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ASPE Excitement

The first-ever ASPE Online Business Meeting was attended by the highest percentage of Chapter Delegates in ASPE's history. We have amazing members! I am supremely disappointed that we were unable to hold our 2020 Convention & Expo for our members and for myself, but just as with any meeting with members, I am excited and inspired—inspired because you all are my friends and because what we do is important for our members, our companies, and our industry.

These are insane times. Humanity seems to be in a whirlwind of news about fires in the West, COVID-19, and extreme politics. Even though there is chaos and our Convention is canceled, I have heard from so many of our members. I am still inspired and excited for ASPE and all of our possibilities. At our last Board meeting I stated that what we do now is what will be most important for our members. We have to keep ASPE strong, keep ASPE financially solid, and keep ASPE on a positive path. We will find silver linings in these complicated times.

I am approaching the 2020–2022 Board of Directors term with excitement. I want to greet the new Board members, new and old: VP Technical Vincent (Vinny) Falkowski, PE, PMP, CCM; VP Education Jim Zebrowski, PE, CPD, FASPE; VP Legislative Brianne Hall, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, GGP; VP Membership Jason S.A. McDonald, CPD; VP Affiliate Thomas P. Sharp; Treasurer Blair Minyard, PE, CDT, CPD; R1 Director Donald Keith, CPD, FASPE; R2 Director Steve J. Kormanik, CPD, GPD; R3 Director Curtis A. Ray Jr., CPD, FASPE; R4 Director Duane D. Lease, PE; and R5 Director Bryan Hutton, CPD. I also want to encourage all of the candidates to continue your great work on ASPE committees and with our Chapters. Our mission is to improve ASPE one step at a time. We have grown our abilities and will continue to innovate ASPE. We increase our voice in this industry and with employers. As we continue to answer the questions about how to provide more for our members, several goals come into focus. We will organize and focus our efforts into short- and long-term goals, we will build relationships in the industry, and we will focus on our members' quality.

I also want to thank the Nominating Committee: Region 1: Anthony Curiale, CPD, LEED AP, FASPE; Region 2: William Grayzar, CPD, GPD; Region 3: Christopher Farr, CET, CPD; Region 4: Grant Schaffer, LEED GA; Region 5: David Clark, PE; President Appointed: Diane Wingard, CPD, FASPE. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication; the role you play is essential and laborious. Thank you, also, to Mitch Clemente, CPD, FASPE, for your leadership as Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Congratulations go to the following for being named to the ASPE College of Fellows: Keith Bush, CPD, CSI, GPD, FASPE, Cleveland Chapter; Jose Francisco DeHoyos, CPD, FASPE, Houston Chapter; Paula Leatherman, CPD, FASPE, Western Michigan Chapter; Cory Nakanishi, CPD, FASPE, Los Angeles Chapter; Warren Rosenbrook, PE, CPD, GPD, FASPE, Kansas City Chapter; Scott Steindler, CPD, LEED-AP, ARCSA-AP (IS), GPD, GGP, FASPE, Los Angeles Chapter. These individuals are honored for their significant and exceptional contributions to the plumbing profession, the Society, and the plumbing industry. A member conferred as an ASPE Fellow shall retain the designation as a lifetime honor, as this is the Society’s highest honor.

Thanks also go to Freeman, Taffy Event Strategies, and the ASPE Staff for all that you did to make the 2020 ASPE Online Business Meeting such a successful meeting.

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I want to assure you that the 2020–2022 ASPE Board is dedicated and excited. Your Board is a team focused on working hard and serving our members and society. Everyone on the team has a common goal. Members are a part of the ASPE Team. Member awareness is critical to an understanding of the Team of ASPE. For a team to be successful, they have to understand their goals and work. To be monumental, they have to understand their impact. What does this mean for ASPE? It means more member quality, more society impact, more voice in code development, and more impact with industry partners.

Your Board’s impact is providing for this Society and understanding how to continue improving foundations for ASPE to strengthen our voice. Your Board will be challenged to work diligently for our members. I am excited to approach this Board with the passion of our members.

Remember that this is a team effort. Let’s all work together. Provide ideas and your time. Learn how you can effectively utilize the tools you already have. Take time to join committees. Take time to know how your Society operates for you.

I want to thank the Board members that are leaving: Steve Mastley, CPD, FASPE, Keith Bush, Don Strickland, CPD, GPD, FASPE, Scott Steindler, and Pauli Silvestre, FASPE have served our members with their talents. Thank you for your impact and leadership.

We are here to strengthen ASPE. We are One ASPE! We change people’s lives. We provide members with tools to do their jobs. The needs of every engineer, project manager, estimator, code expert, commissioning agent, salesman, manufacturer, contractor, affiliate, and student member can be met.

Even though the world may seem chaotic, let’s stay focused on who we are. We are the Voice of the Plumbing Industry. We are One ASPE! We are dedicated to the advancement of public health and plumbing science. We give people tools to do their jobs and have great careers. It is my deep honor to serve you.

ASPE Welcomes Caleffi as an Affiliate Sponsor
Founded almost 60 years ago in Italy and with North American headquarters in Milwaukee, Caleffi is a leading manufacturer of innovative products for plumbing, heating, cooling, and process works applications, with expertise in controlling the temperature, pressure, and flow of water-based fluids. The company’s wide range of products includes digital and thermostatic mixing valves, balancing devices, pressure-reducing valves, heat meters, control valves, flow switches, zone relays, and air/dirt separation devices.

Alfred Steele Scholarship Recipients Announced
We are pleased to announce Elizabeth Long and Connor Uphues as the recipients of the 2020 Alfred Steele Scholarship.

Elizabeth is the daughter of ASPE member Kevin Long, who is the Vice President, Membership of our Connecticut Chapter. She is enrolled in the College of Engineering at Western New England University and plans to pursue a career in mechanical engineering after graduating. Connor is the son of ASPE Chicago Chapter member Patrick Uphues. He is enrolled in the Chemical Engineering program in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and plans to pursue a career in engineering.

Congratulations Elizabeth and Connor!

New ASPE Members

British Columbia Chapter
Eric Luk
Xiangyang Tan, P.Eng

Buffalo-Niagara Chapter
Michael Wik

Central Florida Chapter
Chaser Michael Hassell
Arthur B. Hill, PE
Joshua Trujillo

Central Ohio Chapter
Douglas P. Heigl

Chicago Chapter
Michael Jack Hempel
Barbara Slotten

Connecticut Chapter
Kyle T. Emmons
John David Waters

Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter
Brian Viet Nguyen

Denver Chapter
Russell Kent Green

Eastern Michigan Chapter
John Alexander Kusinski

Los Angeles Chapter
Jordan Robert Bull
Henry Canizales
Dan Ganshirt
Michael Jumper

Member at Large
Mike Myer, PE

Miami Chapter
Leon N. Holmes

Minnesota Chapter
Ned D. Rector, PE
Zachary Thompson, PE

Nashville Chapter
Kimberly Fitch Costner

New Orleans Chapter
Karson Tyler Lockfield
Jason Paul St. Pierre

New York City Chapter
Salvatore Thomas Guiccardo

North Florida Chapter
Milton Boyce
Tyler Michael Rountree, PE

Overseas Chapter
Michael Samadhin, P. Eng

Philadelphia Chapter
Andrew Thomas Macaluso
Joseph Patrick Matje, PE
Natan Segal

Phoenix Chapter
Jon Sturte

Pittsburgh Chapter
Matthew P. Stanziano

Portland Chapter
Andrew Charles Craig

Raleigh Chapter
James Christopher Edmondson

San Diego Chapter
Ryan David Heathcote, PE

San Francisco Chapter
Alexis Holt

Seattle Chapter
Brenden King Haskins
Samuel Ratnasigamani
Zach Uhrich

St. Louis Chapter
Daniel James Kuhlmann
Eric Reznok
Mark Emil Trojahn

Toronto Chapter
James Johnson, P. Eng

Washington, D.C. Chapter
Sean Matthew Riedl

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December 1-3, 2020 | A Digital Experience
Welcome the 2020–2022 ASPE Board of Directors

During the 2020 ASPE Business Meeting, Chapter Delegates elected the following individuals to the 2020–2022 ASPE Board:

» President: Carol Johnson, CPD, LEED AP, CFI, FASPE
» Vice President, Technical: Vincent (Vinny) Falkowski, PE, PMP, CCM
» Vice President, Education: Jim Zebrowski, PE, CPD, FASPE
» Vice President, Legislative: Brianne N. Hall, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, GGP
» Vice President, Membership: Jason S.A. McDonald, CPD
» Vice President, Affiliate: Thomas P. Sharp
» Treasurer: Blair Minyard, PE, CDT, CPD
» Region 1 Director: Donald Keith, CPD, FASPE
» Region 2 Director: Steve J. Kormanik, CPD, GPD
» Region 3 Director: Curtis A. Ray Jr., CPD, FASPE
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The 2020 ASPE Business Meeting was held online due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Chapter Delegates were able to efficiently and smoothly conduct the business of the Society via Zoom webinar, and ASPE Staff thanks them for their support and cooperation.

Congratulations New CPDs!

We are pleased to announce that 86 plumbing engineers from around the world passed the 2020 CPD exam and have joined our elite class of professionals who are Certified in Plumbing Design. You can find the list of 2020 CPDs at bit.ly/2GwxQf5.

In 2020, ASPE held the Certified in Plumbing Design exam via remote proctor for the first time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The process proved to be a great success, allowing professionals from all over the world to sit for the exam from the comfort of their home or office. In fact, the exam ran so smoothly that the 2021 CPD exam will also be held via remote proctor from April 5–18, 2021. Registration will open on December 1, 2020. For more information, visit aspe.org/cpdexam.

Three Affiliate Sponsors Reaffirm Their Commitment to the Industry

We are pleased to announce that CSA Group, Navien Inc., and Watts have renewed their ASPE Affiliate Sponsorships. ASPE Affiliate Sponsors comprise a crucial group of manufacturers and service providers who are essential in helping plumbing engineers design the most technologically advanced plumbing systems. To learn more about the program, visit bit.ly/ASPEAffiliates.

ASPE Member Receives the Joseph K. Seidner Award

Montreal Chapter member Henri Bouchard, Director of Technical Services for CMMTQ, is the 20th recipient of the Joseph K. Seidner Award. This award was established by the CIPH Board of Directors in November 2000, and it was awarded in recognition of Henri’s outstanding contributions to Canadian plumbing codes and standards.

ASPE Member Wins the Gift of Time Sweepstakes

William (Bill) McKanna Jr., a member of ASPE’s St. Louis Chapter, was recently announced as the winner of Watts’ Gift of Time Sweepstakes. Bill is the Engineering Group Plumbing Supervisor for Murphy Company Mechanical Contractors and Engineers in St. Louis, and he won an Apple Watch Series 5 for creating a configuration in the Watts Selexit online configurator.
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Join us for an exciting new opportunity this December.

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