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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Happy Fall!

I think I can speak for the entire Philly ASPE Board when I say we were all very disappointed in the cancellation of the 2020 Convention & Expo in New Orleans. We were proudly looking forward to representing our chapter; however, we fully appreciate the reasons behind cancelling the show. The Society has now launched its replacement, the 2020 ASPE Digital Experience will be conducted on December 1 – 3 virtually. ASPE will be releasing more information in the coming weeks, but the “experience” will offer interactive education, dynamic exhibitor showcases and unique connection opportunities. Please look for additional announcements from the Society.

We hope you’ll join us on Thursday, October 22nd for our next virtual education meeting that will review “Stainless Steel Drainage for Sanitary Systems”, presented by Brian Gillespie of Zurn. We certainly hope you’ll attend this FREE presentation.

Daylight savings ends on Sunday, November 1st, don’t forget to turn back your clocks and please go out and VOTE on Tuesday, November 3rd.
You are invited to attend the joint
ASPE Philadelphia Chapter
October 2020 “Virtual” Technical Dinner Meeting

Thursday, October 22nd
6:00pm to 7:30pm

Due to the Covid-19 virus, we are hosting
the remaining 2020 dinner meetings virtually by using Zoom!

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- Attendees to register for the meeting: https://education.aspe.org/products/philadelphia-chapter-meeting-stainless-steel-for-sanitary-systems-oct-2020
- Non-ASPE members will need to create an account in advance in order to participate; use the following link: https://www.aspe.org/request-account/
- Meeting qualifies for 1-hour CEU. Attendees are required to complete a short program questionnaire through ASPE National Society to earn CEUs. The survey can be found in the contents tab on the event page that you are registered for.

**Education Topic:**

**Topic:** Stainless Steel for Sanitary Systems

**Speaker:** Brian Gillespie – Zurn

**Reservations required by 4:00pm Monday, October 19th**

If you have any questions, contact Steve Ziga (sziga@hpegroup.com)
TECHNICAL CORNER

Last month ASPE Society held our biennial Convention where we voted on minor bylaw amendments and voted in a new Society Board of Directors. Like everything else that has moved digital, this experience was also done online with Chapters participating from all over North America. The one benefit for online sessions is that they tend to move a bit quicker. The one disappointment for me was that we were not able to attend in person and connect with industry peers as well as celebrate the accomplishments of our Society and peers over the last two years.

Traditionally at past Conventions we would have a banquet dinner where we would formally introduce our new Board of Directors as well as present major society awards. Special notes of thanks and congratulations are also given. Because the convention was more less a working meeting, most all the awards, congrats and fanfare was left out and was later sent out as an email to our membership. This was not proper closure for the 2018-2020 term for those who dedicated their time to the society.

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LEGISLATIVE NEWS

NSF/ANSI/CAN 61: Drinking Water Systems Components – Health Effects has recently been revised to implement stricter limits on the amount of lead that can be present in various parts of plumbing systems intended for potable water. In order to receive NSF 61 certification, faucets and other plumbing endpoint devices will now have a maximum allowable amount of lead leaching of 1 microgram per liter (µg/L), down from 5 µg/L. Other plumbing components such as connector hoses and shut-off valves will have their maximum allowable lead leaching reduced from 3 µg/L to 0.5 µg/L. The maximum allowable lead leaching for other products, including in-line mechanical devices, have not been revised.

These changes come after 3 years of investigation into lower lead alternatives and are intended to provide additional protection to the public. Certification of applicable products to the new lower lead leaching requirements is optional for the next 3 years in order to give manufacturers time to adjust. All products will be required to meet the new lead leaching levels starting on January 1, 2024. Certified products will be required to indicate compliance on their product literature and/or packaging in order to allow schools, day care centers, and other communities and consumers to easily identify products complying with the new lead leaching limits.
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The Plumbing Design School has completed 1 month already. I had the opportunity to listen in on a few sessions and the work the instructors put into their class preparation is incredible! The wealth of knowledge they are giving and providing the students is unmeasurable.

I have some thank you’s to hand out.

• Thank you to the previous Board Members who started this program and continued to make it better each time. I am enjoying seeing this program continue in its success.
• Thank you to everyone who helped get this year’s school session kicked off.
• Thank you to Dave Raymond, our AYP, for volunteering to start Design School 2 virtual session each week. I hope you are enjoying the classes!
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I realize that when we were living our normal lives “pre-covid-19” it wasn’t always easy after a long day’s work to steer the car in the direction of the next ASPE meeting. Well, how about joining us for the October 22nd “Virtual” Technical Dinner Meeting where the topic will be Stainless Steel for Sanitary Systems presented by Brian Gillespie of Zurn Industries.

ASPE has suspended the tabletop presentations until we resume the in person meetings. Once resumed for just $50.00 for members and $100.00 for non-members, you can reserve a tabletop to show your new products to those in attendance. You also get a featured spot during the meeting to present your products. If you’re interested please email me at my address below to reserve a spot.

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Thanks!

Laura

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WOA Liaison

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I would like to specifically call attention to one outgoing Society Board member, our very own Paul Silvestre. Paul has spent over 30 years promoting our Society locally as a Chapter Officer and nationally as Region 1 Director. He’s engaged with hundreds, if not thousands of designers, engineers and affiliates over his career and enlightened them to the benefits of being a member of this Society. He’s tirelessly campaigned this business we all are involved in regardless of what obstacles he faced. Even when he was facing a health crisis several years ago he still would pick up the phone to check in on his ASPE brethren. We truly are blessed to have a person with Paul’s enthusiasm in this Society.

Thank you for your years of service Paul. We will miss your dedication and enthusiasm. You will always have a seat at the ASPE PHILLY table!

Cheers!

Steve Ziga CPD, SET, CFPS
your ASPE PHILA VPT
We regret to inform you that the 2020 Philadelphia Chapter ASPE Golf Outing scheduled for Thursday, October 1st was canceled. We look forward to seeing you at our golf outing in 2021 scheduled for Thursday, September 16th at Pennsauken Country Club. Please hold the date!

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Andrea Lynn Uhl
Patrick Villaume
James Wardell
Mitchell Weiss
Kenneth White
Happy Wong
Robert Yadouga
Steve Ziga

You're always welcome…
Thank you for attending!
ASPE Philadelphia 2020-2021 Speaker Schedule

September 24th
Topic: Risk Management for Engineering Firms: How Best to Protect Your Company
Speaker: Jonathan Cass
Firm: Cohen Seglias
E-Mail: jcass@cohenseglias.com
Location: Online

October 22nd
Topic: Stainless Steel Drainage for Sanitary Systems
Speaker: Brian Gillespie
Firm: Zum Industries
Email: brian.gillespie@zum.com
Location: Online

November 19th
Topic: Pathogen Production Water Control
Speaker: Will Sims
Firm: Oasis Coolers
E-mail: wsims@oasiscoolers.com
Location: Online

December (TBD)

January 28th, 2021
Topic: Flue Gas Venting Solutions
Speaker: Jonathan Cooper
Firm: IPEX
E-mail: jonathan.cooper@ipexamerica.com
Location: TBD

February 25th
Topic: Utility Safety for Science Classrooms & Labs
Speaker: Dan Ursery
Firm: Lab Automation Control Systems
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Location: TBD

March 25th
Topic: Corrosion Resistant acid Waste Piping, Drainage & Venting
Speaker: Morris Platony & Josh Brodsky
Firm: Schott NA (Kimax)
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Location: TBD

April 22nd
Topic: Medical Gases 101 & NFPA 99 Requirements
Speaker: Phil Hober
Firm: Sherman Engineering Company
E-mail: phober@shermanengineering.com
Location: TBD

May 27th
Topic: Applications for Smart Water Management in Commercial Buildings
Speaker: Avishai Mosovich
Firm: reed water
E-mail: avishai@reedwater.io
Location: TBD

June (TBD)