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President's Message



Matt Lane
President



The chapter golf tournament will be held September 12, 2011. There is going to be a new format this year. We will be playing Captain's Choice. Additional information will be coming soon. FORE!!!!

On a separate note, we understand there have been issues with members not receiving evites and announcements from the chapter which we are trying to correct. If you or someone you know is not receiving evites please let us know so we can make sure we have everyone aware of what's going on with the Washington DC Chapter.

The chapter is also trying to help out our fellow engineers by posting job opportunities on the website. Make sure you keep an eye on the chapter website for information. Currently there is a position for a plumbing engineer and two mechanical engineers (pass it along to your HVAC friends) posted. If your company is looking for engineers, please have them contact me so we can help out. The postings from companies are at no cost. This is for our members and during this economic situation we are all in.....we need to help and watch out for each other.

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May Flowers

In this month's article this are a few items to update before we take our summer hiatus. But before I get to those items I would like to encourage member of the chapter to continue to send update to new codes and code issues that you come across.

This first item is that the State of Maryland has recent passed a bill that would allow for the adoption of the new IGCC 2012 code. The passing of this bill would allow for local jurisdictions to adopt the code. Here is a link for a short write up of the bill and link to the bill itself. I would like to thank former chapter President Bob Evans for bring this to my attention.

<http://bcap-ocean.org/news/2011/march/16/maryland-bill-would-allow-state-jurisdictions-adopt-igcc>

<http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0972.htm>

The next item I would like to bring to the chapter attention is a section by section analysis posted on the ADA web site which is a summary of changes 2010 Standards for Accessible Design. There is a lot to digest so here is the link.

http://www.ada.gov/regs2010/titleIII_2010/reg3_2010_appendix_b.htm

In closing I hope everyone has an enjoyable summer but before we get there I hope to see you at the May chapter meeting.

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The newest job availability information is a position will be coming available in Fairfax County late summer or early fall. If you know anyone that fits this description and looking for work, pass this along. The following is from Mr. David Thomas, MSCE, PE regarding the position.

"While it has been some time since I was a guest of ASPE at your meeting in Tysons, we have enjoyed good relations with your membership and so I thought to write to you regarding an upcoming entry level position here in the Fire Prevention Division. We expect to have a job opening in our Plans Review Section in late summer or early fall, due to the retirement of one of our longtime colleagues. If there are persons in your discipline who know younger people still in the educational system or near graduation, we would much appreciate your informing them of this potential opportunity. We know that ASPE has many concerns, well beyond our sub-discipline, but if you know of young people who might be interested in an entry level position, please have them contact me so that they can be informed of the opportunity and the application requirements under the County system. My sincere thanks for your consideration."


We will be having the chapter's board of director's elections at the May 18th chapter meeting.


See you at the May meeting. This is the last meeting until September.

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Membership VP Membership, Evan Anderson

Fellow Members,

As I mentioned in previous articles, we have set a goal for our Chapter to reach 185 members in 2011. Currently our membership stands at 157 members, reaching 185 members could be seen as a lofty goal. However, I feel with a little hard work and the right amount of attention, we can get there. At our last Board meeting, the officers discussed just this topic - How can we take our Chapter to the next level?

Let's pretend we are thinking about going to the movies. I don't know about you, but if I am going to spend \$50 dollars or so (\$75 After Snacks) to take my family to the movies, it better be a good one! I normally don't contemplate spending money on a movie unless I've heard good things about it. When it comes to deciding if a movie is worth it, who do I trust for advice? Flickster, Fandango or Siskel & Ebert, no I go to my Friends, Family, and Co-workers. Are you starting to think what I am thinking?

It is time we tap into our best resource, that's right, our current members! You are the folks rubbing elbows and meeting with others in our community who could benefit from our Chapter. So, starting March 1st, 2011, if you refer a new member to join our ranks the Chapter will cover the cost of your dinner at the next technical session. All you need to do is have the New Member list you on their application as the person who referred them. Once they have paid and are enrolled as a new member, both you and the new member will receive a free meal! Former members who have been apart from us longer than two years will also receive a free meal when they return to the chapter. Our hope is this will help get us all talking about the benefits of being an ASPE Member. If you have any questions regarding this new plan, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks again for all your help!

Sincerely,
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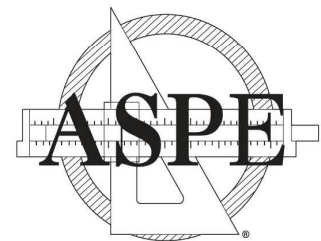
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Steve Callahan from Watts was our speaker for the April member meeting. Steve described an interesting water treatment system to keep domestic water piping clean and free of mineral deposits. Steve is very knowledgeable when it comes to water treatment methodologies.

For the final meeting before our summer break Charles Tevis from Highland Tank will speak on grease interceptors. Many authorities are revising their requirements for grease interceptors so bring your questions for Charles.

The report by Johns Hopkins concerning sensor-operated faucets has created a real firestorm. ASPE has jumped in as well as manufacturers and manufacturer associations. Keep your eye on the trade magazines and the ASPE National website for additional information, news and test results.

The May meeting is not only our last meeting before summer but it is also chapter election time. Any member in good standing may run for an office. If you are interested in running for an office contact our chapter president Matt Lane.

See you at the May 18th meeting.

Ron Ball
VP Tech

What is the DC Chapter Board of Directors Doing for Its Members?

By Administrative Secretary, JR Gyger



What is the DC Chapter Board of Directors Doing for Its Members?

Prior to taking on the duties of the Administrative Secretary for the DC Chapter of ASPE, I always wondered what it was that the Board of Directors did for the Chapter other than provide a monthly technical presentation and dinner. In order to find out, I started attending the Board of Directors meetings last March (with the Board's consent of course) and ultimately deciding to run for an officer position for the 2010-2011 year. I was pleased to find that the Chapter's officers are all dedicated professionals, both design engineers and sales engineers, who are committed toward making the DC Chapter one of the best chapters in all of ASPE.

Aside from the monthly technical sessions at Olive Garden, which need to be planned well in advance for both the tabletop presenter and technical presenter, much planning takes place in order to organize chapter networking events such as the Golf Outing, Fishing Trip, and Holiday Social. Each of these events takes months of planning and in most cases the planning for next year's event begins as soon as this year's event is over while the experience is still fresh in everyone's minds. Included in the planning are finding a venue and agreeing upon a time for the event that is convenient to the membership, but in addition to that, there is a lot of work in trying to get the event sponsored so that the members can enjoy the experience at a reasonable price.

Although it may seem I am just writing this to give my fellow Board members a pat on the back for a job well done in 2010 (which they totally deserve), I actually wanted to take this opportunity to report on some less obvious things the Board has been doing lately. The first item is a job posting page on the Chapter website. The Board passed a motion last year that allows companies to announce vacancies on the Chapter website as an added resource for any members who have felt the pinch of the tightening economy. ASPE DC is offering this as a free service to its members; there is no cost to respond to an advertised position and there is no cost for a company to post an ad for a position within their own company (no recruiters). For more information, on posting a position, contact Chris Barnard cbarnardsr@yahoo.com.

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Another item of business for the DC Board of Directors has been a new member incentive. Last month the DC Chapter Board developed and passed a motion that will give any new member a free technical session dinner, a \$30 value, when they sign up for a year ASPE membership and choose the DC chapter as their chapter affiliation. There is an additional incentive for current members who recruit a new member; both will receive a free technical session dinner. Look for the VP Membership report for more information or contact Evan Anderson ema@sthinc.com.

These are only a few of the things the DC Chapter Board of Directors is doing for its members, but we are always open to suggestions and recommendations. So if you think there is a way that the DC Chapter of ASPE can serve you better please let us know! If you are interested in running for an officer position so you can also help continue to make the DC Chapter one of the best chapters in all of ASPE, contact one of the current officers; contact information is on the Chapter Officers page of the Chapter website www.aspedc.org.

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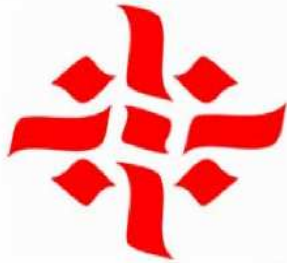
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