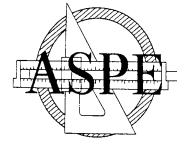


# ASPE Pipeline



Journal of the Kansas City Chapter of American Society of Plumbing Engineers

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## Date & Topic

September 13th, 2004

**SUCCESSFUL DESIGNS ARE NOW GREEN**

**Speaker: Bob Berkebile**  
**Brought to you by: Bulls-I-Sales**  
**Board Meeting: 4:30**  
**Tech Session: 5:30**  
**Dinner: 6:00**  
**Program: 7:00**

## **Location:**

***Holiday Inn***  
8787 Reeder Road  
Overland Park, KS  
**Price: \$20.00**

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**NOTE:** Please RSVP to: Janice Urban at: 913-307-5319 ([Janice.Urban@hendersonengineers.com](mailto:Janice.Urban@hendersonengineers.com))

**BEFORE** Noon – Sept. 10th

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## **President's Message – Warren Rosenbrook**

Greetings KC ASPE Chapter & Friends!

The 2004-2005 ASPE season is here! Your board has worked hard this summer to prepare good programs for your professional development and enjoyment. This year, we will kick off our season with a combined ASPE / ASHRAE meeting at the Holiday Inn, Overland Park West. See the Vice President Technical article below for information about the program topic and speaker. The venue for the combined meeting will be different than our usual location, so please mark your calendars. The venue for the rest of the season will be at the Holiday Inn, Overland Park.

The ASPE Convention & Engineered Exposition is around the corner. This year it will be in Cleveland, Ohio October 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 27<sup>th</sup>. For those of you who have attended one or our conventions in the past you know what a great experience it can be. I have attended many of them myself and can vouch for the quality of technical programs, the quality of the Product Show and fellowship with your colleges the convention can offer. I will have handouts for those interested at the next meetings. For those of you interested, go to [aspe.org](http://aspe.org) for more information. If you have never been to an ASPE convention, perhaps this is the time for you to go?

We had our annual Affiliates Meeting Monday, July 26, attendance was good with the board and over 20 Affiliates. The Affiliates Meeting is for Affiliates to sound off to the KC Chapter Board of Directors about the Chapter. Our new Affiliate Liaison, Lilliard Richardson, of Sioux Chief introduced himself at and helped to run the meeting. The Chapter is on the right track, however, ideas were presented to get the Engineers to come to the meetings and participate more in the Chapter. Look forward to Lilliard instigating these ideas in the near future.

On August 9, 2004 I received the following press release from Society via our Region V Chair, Brian Salisbury:

The U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago on Friday handed a major victory to the American Society of Plumbing Engineers, a not for profit membership organization constituting the oldest and largest association of plumbing and pipe professionals in the U.S.

The Society had sought the Court's ruling in light of the claim by Thomas M. Brown, of TMB Publishing, a technical publisher, that Brown owned and controlled the use of the words which describe the Society's members, plumbing engineers, and the term that describes the industry the Society has served for over 30 years, plumbing engineering. Brown claims that his company owned the rights to the term "plumbing engineer", and any similar marks, and brought such claim against the Society in federal court. Brown sought to control how he Society created and described its publications, including the Society' Industry standard setting manual and quarterly magazine, to control how Society described its trade show, and even how the Society described its internal affairs on its own web site, when letters and reports made reference to titles of possible new publications.

Upon learning of the Court's ruling, Stan Wolfson, the Society's executive director, said that not only was he satisfied that the Society's rights were protected by the ruling, but that the entire industry would be a beneficiary of the Court's ruling. Wolfson commented, "Plumbing engineering is an ancient and honorable practice and profession and has been for centuries. It is not conceivable that our professional associations should be subject to restrictions or having royalties exacted for describing ourselves as who we are and what we do. That is why, despite the great expense and hardship to our members, we stayed the course."

Let us hope that this is the end to any additional legal issues with publisher Thomas Brown.

Remember, the biggest problem chapters are facing is maintaining correct emails for their members. E-mail is now the primary delivery method for Chapter newsletters. Your Chapter Board contacted each chapter member to verify your e-mail this summer. Without correct e-mail, the chapter cannot communicate to the membership with the newsletter or mail the newsletter at great expense. So, if you change your e-mail address or know it is out of date, please provide your chapter an update.

For those of you that have purchased Option #2 or #3 listed below, renewal time is coming and we will be in touch with you soon. For those of you interested in advertising on our web page, please read on:

## Manufacturer's/Representatives Webpage

Kansas City Chapter ASPE would like to introduce our Manufacturer's/Representatives advertising page located on our website at <http://www.kc-aspe.com/productsreps.htm>. Three options are available:

Option #1	Option #2	Option #3
Company name Address Phone number Email address	Company name Address Phone number Email address Link to your website <i>Or</i> Pop-up linecard	Company name Address Phone number Email address Link to your website Pop-up linecard List of manufacturers represented and their corresponding equipment (list generated by you)
Free for ASPE members	\$50 for ASPE members	\$75 for ASPE members

Your information (as purchased) will be on our website for the entire year, with September 1<sup>st</sup> being the transition date.

## Front Page Sponsorship

Monthly Meeting Sponsor	This Month's Featured Sponsor
Front page listing and link/line card (if provided)	Front page listing and link/line card (if provided)
Free for Meeting Sponsor	\$50/month for ASPE members These are first come, first serve, for September through May.

More information is available at <http://www.kc-aspe.com/advertise.htm>.

Technical inquiries can be directed to [webmaster@kc-aspe.com](mailto:webmaster@kc-aspe.com) or Bret at 816-410-8200.

## VP Technical Message – Jim Brune

Our first regular meeting for the new 2004/2005 seasons will be a joint meeting with ASPE and ASHRAE. The September date is particularly nice for this joint meeting as the Labor Day holiday bumps the ASHRAE meeting date (first Monday) to the same night as for the ASPE meeting (second Monday). Be sure to make your reservations! We are fortunate to have a really great program this month and encourage members to bring guests. This will be a good occasion to visit with your fellow professionals.

The program will deal with issues related to the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and should be of interest to all. Members of

both ASHRAE and ASPE can make very positive contributions to a successful Green project. Last December the local ASHRAE Chapter conducted a tour of the new EPA Science and Technology Center located in downtown Kansas City, Kansas. Last November, the ASPE technical symposium in San Antonio featured numerous "green" programs.

The program at our September 13, 2004 meeting is entitled:

### **\$UCCE\$\$FUL DESIGNS ARE NOW GREEN**

The Industry, and smart engineers and suppliers are changing course at an unprecedented rate. What are the changes? How do we stay informed and provide good service?

The speaker will be Bob Berkebile, FAIA, of BNIM Architects or Berkebile, Nelson, Immenschuh McDowell architects located in Kansas City, Missouri. Bob is a leading authority in the field of sustainable design and is the founding chairman of the American Institute of Architects' National Committee on the Environment. He is a Principal of BNIM Architects, and Elements Consulting, and brings 40 years of diverse experience to the profession. Bob currently serves on the boards of The Nature Conservancy, Environmental Building News, The Center for Global Community, Athena and New Earth Organization; he was a member of the US Green Building Council board and currently serves on USGBC's Technical and Scientific Advisory Committee. He is highly regarded by fellow professionals for creating beautiful environments that are restorative and pedagogical. He has conducted numerous sustainable design charrettes and workshops for the White House, DOD, DOE, NPS, FEMA and the Canadian Provincial Architects. He has lectured extensively at universities including Harvard, Cambridge, Stanford and Rice and at international conferences including The Earth Summit in Rio and UN or NSF conferences in Scotland, Sweden and Antarctica. Bob utilizes diverse collaborative teams, integrated design and creates new approaches and tools to restore social, economic and environmental vitality.

Some of his representative projects include the Noisette Development (a 3,000 acre redevelopment) in North Charleston, South Carolina, several benchmark projects for healthy, efficient facilities at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in Houston, a learning center promoting sustainability and conservation ethics at Shelburne Farms, Vermont, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources headquarters in Jefferson City, and the Missouri Department of Conservation's Urban Conservation Campus in Kansas City.

**Bulls-I-Sales is the ASPE sponsor for the September meeting** and will host a technical session from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm that features an LEED certified plumbing fixture.

**Especially for all the affiliate members!** Please note on the chapter web site that this season's meeting programs are being booked up. If you want to sponsor a meeting or if you have an idea about a good speaker or subject for one of our meeting programs or tours, please give me a phone call (913-458-8078), an e-mail ([bruneja@bv.com](mailto:bruneja@bv.com)) or mention it to me (Jim Brune) at a meeting.

### **VP Legislative – Mike Haramia**

I hope everyone has had a good summer and enjoyed the unusually cool weather. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming meeting.

As many of you probably know, the city of Kansas City MO. has updated their codes. Effective as of August 22, 2004 they are as follows:

- 2003 International Building Code ([ICC](#))
- 2003 International Residential Code (ICC)
- 2003 International Private Sewage Disposal Code (ICC)
- 2003 International Fuel Gas Code (ICC)
- 2003 International Mechanical Code (ICC)
- 2003 International Energy Conservation Code (ICC)
- 2003 International Existing Building Code (ICC)
- 2002 National Electrical Code ([NFPA](#))
- 2000 Uniform Plumbing Code ([IAPMO](#))

The 2004 Kansas City area ICC seminars will be held at Avila University from October 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> from 8 AM to 5 PM daily. The topics are "2002 National Electric Code Wiring Systems", "Commercial Provisions of the International Energy Conservation Code" and "2003" IBC Special Inspector Certification Renewal". For more information go to:  
<http://www.kcmo.org/codes/ICBODOC.PDF> .

For those of you interested in finding the city of Overland Park's amendments to the 2003 IPC, they can be found at the following link:  
[http://www.opkansas.org/Assets/law/opmc/opmc\\_by\\_chapter/16-130.pdf](http://www.opkansas.org/Assets/law/opmc/opmc_by_chapter/16-130.pdf)

### **VP Membership Report – Sean Graham**

The good news is that we have increased our membership total last year. The bad news is that we will be losing some of our membership to the new chapter opening in Oklahoma. It looks like we may lose 5-10 members. It is very important to gain as many new members as possible during this time. So please help your chapter! If you are making sales calls, have a friend or know someone at the following firms please inquire about ASPE. If you are not comfortable with asking someone to come to a meeting and possibly join ASPE, email their name and a number to me and I will contact them. Please help with the following firms.

George Butler & Associates  
HNTB  
Integrated Design Engineers  
Smith & Boucher  
Professional Engineer Consultants

Please note that we are not pointing any one firm out we will list more potential firms in the next newsletter. Thank you in advance for your help! If there is a firm that we leave out please email that firms name to me, we certainly do not want anyone to feel left out! Send your email to [sgraham@mackmcclain.com](mailto:sgraham@mackmcclain.com) or call 913-339-6677 Ext 129.

## **Education Chair Report – John Bard**

The Education Committee is ready for the Plumbing Classes to be held at the Johnson County Community College. Starting Thursday August 26, 2004 thru December 16, 2004 the Plumbing System 1 Course will be held. Our instructor will be Paul Akin. For further information please contact John Bard @FES 816-997-2947, Tony Hitchcock @816-505-9732 or Susan Johnson @JCCC 913-469-8500 ext 3363. You also can contact the web [www.jccc.net](http://www.jccc.net) for application. This is a good way to introduce young designers to the plumbing engineering world, by enrolling in the class.

The American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE) is the national society of engineers and designers engaged in the design, specification and inspection of plumbing systems. ASPE is committed to the promotion of the interests of plumbing engineers through the development & expansion of their professional and technical expertise, to the betterment of the plumbing engineering profession as a whole to serve as a forum for interchange with related professions and for the resolution of problems affecting the profession and practice of plumbing engineering. American Society of Plumbing Engineers – Kansas City Chapter, PO Box 3553; Olathe, KS 66063

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