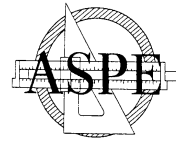


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Date & Topic
July 26th, 2004
Affiliates Meeting

Cocktails: 5:30

Meeting: 6:00

Board Meeting: July 12th, 5:30 PM, HEI

Holiday Inn

7240 Shawnee Mission Parkway

Mission, KS 66202

President's Message – Warren Rosenbrook

Greetings KC ASPE Chapter & Friends!

The 2004-2005 ASPE season is approaching. Rest assured, your board is working 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 West Overland Park. The venue for the combined meeting will be different than our usual location, so please mark your calendars.

As your President, I attended the Region V meeting in Omaha, Nebraska with all the other Region V Presidents and other officers in attendance. Our host, Gary Richardson of the Omaha Chapter showed us a very fine time. Your VPL, Mike Haramia was also in attendance. Brian Salisbury, Region V Chair, ran the meeting with Society President Larry Oliver and Vice President Education Norman Parks as the attending ASPE Board members. Also, in attendance was Terry Weber, Director of Membership Services. His position is a new position in the Society.

The chapter presidents each gave a report on the status of their chapter and the issues confronting them. All of the chapters have their own websites loaded with valuable local information and links, including local factory representative line cards. The Chapters are using their websites for communicating with their membership. The Chapters are sending virtually no hard copies of their newsletter each month; this saves the Chapter money. Very few traditional advertisements are in the local chapter newsletters because of document size.

Most of the Chapters in Region V suffered a loss in their membership. Membership losses ranged from 2 to 5%. However, the Kansas City Chapter was the only chapter to have a positive membership growth, about 10%. Larry Oliver announced the charter of the Tulsa, Oklahoma Satellite Chapter. The ASPE Board of Directors approved the charter a few weeks prior to the Region V meeting.

We will have our annual Affiliates Meeting Monday, July 26 at our regular venue, the Holiday Inn Mission - Overland Park. For you the affiliate, this is your chance to sound off to the KC Chapter Board of Directors. We want to know how you feel about the Chapter, how things are going and where we should go. We are looking for a few good ideas, so if you have some, come on down to the meeting. You will also get to meet our new Affiliate Liaison, Lilliard Richardson of Sioux Chief.

The biggest problem chapters are facing is maintaining correct e-mails 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 email, 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.

VP Legislative – Mike Haramia

As many of you are well aware, the city of Kansas City, MO is in the process of reviewing their plumbing and mechanical codes. I recently attended the codes review technical review meeting. Some of the items discussed were:

- The use of 3/8" diameter water supply pipe in runs over 30".
- Fixture vents with diameter of less than 1-1/4" for engineered venting systems. There was concern raised regarding the use of small diameter vents, including their effectiveness and possible susceptibility to blockage.
- Suds relief and which code addresses it more effectively.
- Air admittance valves, and how would they be allowed to be used.
- Water flow velocity in supply pipes and which code addresses it more effectively.
- Floor drains in public toilet rooms. The UPC requires that a floor drain be provided in all toilet rooms containing two or more water closets/urinals. The IPC does not have a similar requirement.
- Requirements for testing of backflow prevention devices.
- Protection of piping above food service areas.
- Gray water/Reclaimed water systems. Both codes have appendices dealing with the use of reclaimed or gray water. These provisions have not been adopted in the past, and are not proposed for adoption.

Some of items are discussed in more detail at the following link:

<http://www.kcmo.org/codes/ipcupc.pdf>

If anybody has questions regarding the above-mentioned items or would like to discuss them in detail, please contact me.

VP Membership Report – Sean Graham

If you have not received your 40th Anniversary ASPE Convention Pin please contact Sean Graham at 913-339-6677 or email at sgraham@mackmcclain.com . Please remember, only one pin per member will be provided. Your pin may be of value at this year's 2004 ASPE Engineered Plumbing Expo. Prizes include cash discounts on registration and a chance to win a new truck. Contact us for your pin today!

Mark Your Calendar

**2004 ASPE Engineered Plumbing Exposition, Cleveland Ohio, October 23rd through the 27th
Plan now.**

What is there for you to do in Cleveland? Go to www.cleveland.oh.us and find out!

Our current membership is around 152 members; a list of our membership is available to you by contacting Sean Graham at 913-339-6677 or by email at sgraham@mackmcclain.com.

The membership committee would like to say thanks to all that helped our chapter grow this year; we have grown by record numbers! Our chapter started this year with about 140 members and we have now grown to 152. Thank you for your help! As of 5/5/2004 we are happy to report the following Statistics:

- Your Kansas City ASPE chapter ranks 14th out of 61 chapters in total membership. We are close to passing cities like New Jersey and San Francisco. Surprisingly our membership is larger than the following cities: San Diego - St. Louis - Baltimore - Memphis - Cleveland
- Our region is the second largest region with 1559 members. The upper east coast region is number 1 with 1845 members. The upper east coast region includes large cities like New York and Boston.

Congratulations to the Golf committee on another successful golf outing! Have a fun and safe summer! We look forward to growing more next year.

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 for application. This is a good way to introduce young designers to the plumbing engineering world, by enrolling in the class.

ASPE Golf Tournament

This year's golf outing was a great success. Thanks to all the people that helped make this a success. We had 20 teams representing engineers, representatives and wholesalers. I will provide in the next newsletter a list of all winners. Again, thank you for your support and I hope that everyone had a good time.

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