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NOV - MEETING AGENDA

DATE:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

WHERE:

Plumbing Industry Training Center in Troy, MI

5:00 PM - 5:50 PM

Sanitary Waste and Venting

5:50 PM - 6:15 PM

Vendor Table Top Presentations

6:15 PM

Dinner Service

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Interceptors - Types, Applications and Sizing

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

<u>IN-PERSON:</u> https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aspe-emc-november-2023-technical-program-tickets-733813535037

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William Grayzar, CPD, GPD, FASPE President of ASPE EMC



I hope everyone had an enjoyable Halloween and found the panel discussion on water heaters at our October meeting valuable. As we move into November and we start making out plans for Thanksgiving dinner and time with family and friends, remember to add our **November 14th** meeting to your calendars. The meeting will be held at the Plumber 98 and MCA Detroit Training Center (PITC) located at 1911 Ring Dr. in Troy, MI 48083, as usual, and will begin promptly at

5:00 PM with our Design Class covering "Sanitary Waste and Venting" followed by dinner and out Technical Session covering "Interceptors - Types, Applications and Sizing".

Thinking of both sanitary waste and the daunting task of cleanup after the large Thanksgiving feast, lead me to think about the things you should avoid putting down your drains and through your garbage disposers. Things like, coffee grounds, potato peels, fibrous veggies (such as celery, rhubarb, pumpkin innards, chard, kale, and asparagus), starchy foods (such as pasta, rice, oats, and beans), fats and grease (such as oils, butter, poultry skin, and bacon grease), onion skins, egg shells, nuts, pits, seeds, shellfish shells, bones, napkins, paper towels, wrappers, foil, and cellophane should all be avoided as they can lead to clogs and/or damage to the garbage disposer. In addition, be safe and always unplug the garage disposer before attempting to remove anything from the disposal drain or when servicing the disposer, to avoid personal injury.

In commercial environments, grease traps and interceptors are utilized to mainly collect and remove fats, oils, and grease from the sanitary drainage system, prior to entering a municipal drainage system or septic field. The difference between a grease trap and a grease interceptor is the flow rate of wastewater that the device can handle. A grease trap works well in low-pressure water environment, with a lower volume of flow, typically less than 50 gallons per minute. Whereas grease interceptors are used in large-scale high-pressure environments with a higher volume of flow, more than 50 gallons per minute. Grease traps typically are located inside on the floor or in the floor under or near the fixture served. Whereas grease interceptors are typically installed outside and below grade and serve a sanitary waste system.

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NOVEMBER PROGRAM

Tuesday, 11/14/23, 5:00 - 7:30 PM Plumbing Industry Training Center, 1911 Ring Drive, Troy, MI 48083

ASPE EMC GOLF OUTING

Tuesday, 6/11/24 The Links of Novi Flyer on pg. 12

President's Report (cont. from page 1) Bill Grayzar, CPD, GPD

You can learn more about sanitary waste and venting and interceptors at the November chapter meeting. I wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving and I look forward to seeing you at the Plumber 98 and MCA Detroit Training Center (PITC) on November 14, 2023.

Bill







NOVEMBER DESIGN SESSION

5:00-5:50 PM

TOPIC: Sanitary Waste and Venting

Presenter: RACHEL GENDICH
Strategic Energy Solutions



Rachel Gendich

Rachel is a Lawrence Tech grad and Mechanical Engineer with Strategic Energy Solutions. She has a passion for sustainable design, including geothermal systems, water conservation technologies and infrastructure for all electric vehicles, and is working towards becoming Certified in Plumbing Design. She is currently serving her 4th year as the ASPE Eastern Michigan Chapter Treasurer and looking

forward to serving as Chapter President in the very near future.

Description: In this presentation we will review sanitary and vent system design considerations. We'll discuss pipe materials, venting methods, types of interceptors, acid waste disposal, temperature maintenance, and the 2018 Michigan Plumbing Code requirements. We will learn what tools are used to size piping, how to calculate fixture units, common requirements for commercial kitchens and the need for backwater valves.

NOVEMBER TECHNICAL SESSION

6:30-7:30 PM

TOPIC: Interceptors - Types, Applications and Sizing

Presenter: **SILVANO FERRAZO**

Zurn - Site Works



Silvano Ferrazo

Silvano Ferrazzo with Zurn Industries Site Works team has over 25 years of experience in Engineering, Product Design, Commercial Development, and Environmental Regulatory development. Silvano is an active Board Member of PDI – the Plumbing and Drainage Institute - as well as ASPE, and participates in CSA and UPC Committees in both the US and Canada. He is a certified presenter for ASPE Con-

tinuing Education Credits. With combined North American and International experience, Silvano speaks authoritatively on Interceptor and Trench Drain issues related to wastewater management, and regulations affecting collection systems and employee health and safety. As a Chemical Engineer, he brings a down to earth approach to shed light on current industry trends and solutions. Since joining Zurn's Site Works team Silvano has been instrumental in providing leadership in sales, education and training, and innovative commercial development solutions to better serve the engineering community in projects ranging from oil and grease management to flow through trench drain innovations.

Description: This presentation will cover the types of interceptors used in plumbing systems, where they are required and desired, and how to size them appropriately so they not only meet code but function correctly to protect the municipal systems.

New This Year:

Design classes will be centered around the CPD Exam- attend all 7 classes and receive a CPD Study Guide.

About Registration and CEUs:

You will need to register using an Eventbrite link that will be in the email. This allows us to know how many people we can expect. We require sign in/sign out sheets and your CEUs will be submitted to national within 1 week of our event. It may take up to another 2 weeks for the CEUs to show in your ASPE Education log. The PITC does have guest protocols we will have to obey in order to meet there, so please follow all posted signage and procedures.

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ASPE's annual Chapter Award of Merit is presented to recognize extraordinary contributions made by the Chapters on behalf of the Society.

EMC 2022-2023 CHAPTER BOARD – Education & Research Foundation Contributor

The Education and Research Foundation recognizes chapters that have generously donated in support of research projects concerning areas of interest in the plumbing technology and design field.

JOSH PEDRAJA – Certificate of Appreciation Recipient

Josh Pedraja, VP Membership of ASPE EMC, received a certificate of appreciation for his outstanding contribution to the overall success of the 2023 Technical Symposium.

JESSICA LAMING – Certificate of Appreciation Recipient

Jessica Laming, Affiliate Member of ASPE EMC, received a certificate of appreciation for her outstanding contribution to the overall success of the 2023 Technical Symposium.

Congratulations to All! - photos on pgs. 24-29

MEMBER SPOTTIGHT

Eastern Michigan Chapter Members,

We would like to congratulate **Adrienne Bennett** and her company, **Benkari** who were recently honored with a display at the Detroit Historical Museum.

"The Hustle: Celebrating Detroit's Unsung Entrepreneurs" is the historical society's newest effort to uncover and put a spotlight on the stories of Detroiters who make everyday life in the city special, according to a news release.

The chosen honorees were featured in five Detroit Historical Museum exhibits over the course of 2022 and 2023.

(Read the whole article here)

Congratulations Adrienne!!!





VP Technical Report

Pam Hartsell, CPD, PMP



Welcome to the Cold Weather in Eastern Michigan!

Our second meeting of the 2023-2024 program was a lot of fun. We held our first design class that counted towards attendance for a free copy of the CPD Study Guide. As I've mentioned before, as an incentive to attend our design classes, we're offering this publication

to those who attend the classes, starting with our October Chapter Meeting. If you're considering taking the exam, I really encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity – not only for the free book, but also for the education you will gain from networking with, and learning from, your fellow chapter members.

Our Design Class was a demonstration of the Water Demand Calculator by veteran EMC Member Alan Deal. Alan shared how designing your water system based on metered demand allows you to right-size your equipment, saving money and valuable floor space for your customers. You can watch a replay of the class on our YouTube Channel here: https://youtu.be/AzLSnrdq5Mw (you may need to copy and paste the link in your browser).

Our Technical Presentation was a Part 2 of last year's Water Heater Panel and featured a lively discussion about the do's and don'ts of heat pump style water heaters and tankless heaters, as well as the best temperature to store hot water. You can watch a replay of the presentation on our YouTube Channel here: https://youtu.be/RL8xF6uvH6c (again, you may need to copy and paste the link in your browser).

Next month, we'll be learning about Sanitary and Vent systems, taught by our chapter treasurer and AYP Liaison Rachel Gendich! This will be the second in our series that counts towards attendance if you're interested in that free copy of CPD Study Guide, and we're excited to have Rachel as a first-time presenter at our meetings.

The Technical Presentation will be on Interceptors, featuring Silvano Ferrazo of Zurn/Green Turtle. Silvano will explain the different types of interceptors used in plumbing systems, and how to size them properly to meet code and to protect the municipal water system.

We'll also begin collecting toys for the Engineering Society of Detroit Holiday Toy drive, so if you're in the giving mood, please feel free to bring a new, unwrapped toy to the November or December meeting so we can donate it to one of the many deserving children in foster care in our area.

As always, please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Your Chapter VP Tech, Pam Hartsell vpt.aspe.emc@gmail.com



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VP Membership Report

Josh Pedraja



We want to welcome in a few new members to our Chapter and ASPE Family; **Mike VanPutten** of Kennedy Solutions **Brandon Watts** of HED, **Raymond Williams** of University of Michigan!!

I wanted to take a few minutes and share my experience from this year's ASPE

Technical Symposium in Bellevue, Washington. It was my first time attending a Tech Symposium, let alone speaking at anything other than a Chapter Meeting or individual Lunch n' Learn as an affiliate. The Tech Symposium has a different feel than the national Convention & Expo where it feels more like a smaller community and provides networking on a personal level for new faces and connecting on a deeper level with those you already know. The education sessions alone are invaluable for an engineer and affiliate alike. The Product Show is also smaller, however, it gives you a little more time to spend at individual booths and learn more about the product in your specifications or schedules. Overall, it was a great time and great experience.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention that we had 11 of our Chapter members attend, the most in Region 2!! Members included: Jacob Baird, Michael Pietzrak, Brian Chinnery of PBA, Jessica Laming of NSF, Rufina Golsheyn of Z Modular, Ron George of Plumb-Tech Design & Consulting Services, Brianne Hall of Fishbeck, Bill Grayzar of DSD, Rachel Gendich of SES, Dann Holmes of Building Water Health Technical Consulting and myself of Patton's Medical. Two of our members were speakers, Jessica Laming and myself; membership from our chapter was strong in representation in Bellevue!!

Golf update 2024: SAVE THE DATE! Tuesday, June 11th 2024 is our 2nd Annual Golf Outing. It will be held again at The Links of Novi in Novi. Stay tuned for more information!

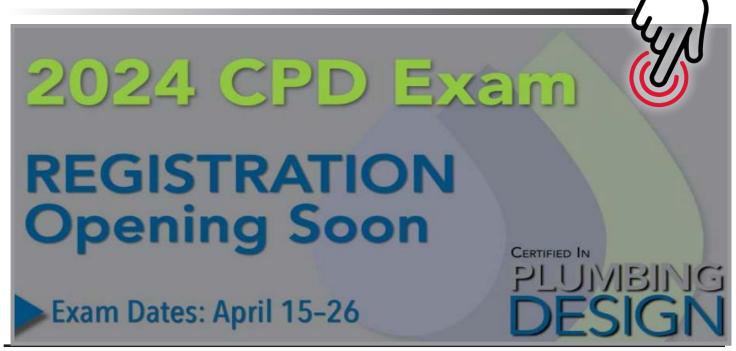
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This scholarship is named in honor of Alfred Steele, PE, a long-time member of the American Society of Plumbing Engineers and a visionary and pioneer in advocating education and professional development for plumbing engineers and designers.

Connect with and Follow us on LinkedIn (ASPE Eastern Michigan Chapter). We have up to date announcements and different posts that are educational, entertaining and informative on current events happening in our Plumbing World!

Membership renewal! If you are up to renew your membership, remember to do it today! We don't want to see you go!! There is a new option to be apart of multiple chapters! If you are interested, please keep The Eastern Michigan Chapter as your home chapter and signup for as many others as you wish for only \$80 per chapter. You can also take advantage of Multiple-Year Membership Renewal. Save on your ASPE membership dues if you join or renew for more than one year! • 5% Discount for a two-year renewal. • 10% Discount for a three-year renewal.



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Who Is a Mentor?

A mentor is someone who can help the mentee develop skills for success and long-range career planning, is able to be a good listener, is willing to share experiences and views, is willing to commit time and effort, provides an "open door" to questions and problems, points out both strengths and opportunities for improvement, and has a vested interest in the growth and development of their mentee.

Benefits to the mentor:

- Satisfaction in helping someone mature, progress, and achieve goals
- Meeting and sharing experiences with other mentors
- Personal ongoing support to help the mentee succeed
- Personal fulfillment through contribution to the Society and the individual

Who Is a Mentee?

Having a mentor can contribute to a successful and satisfying career. Without a mentor, that learning occurs mostly through trial and error. With a mentor, even experienced professionals can benefit from the experiences and expertise of someone who has withstood the trial and can help the mentee avoid the mistakes. Similarly, those new to the industry will discover that being a mentee shortens the learning curve for acquiring the skills and knowledge most critical to a fruitful career.

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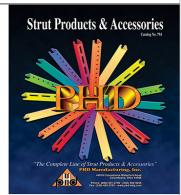
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Alan Deal gave a great presentation on Domestic Water Distribution and the Water Demand Calculator



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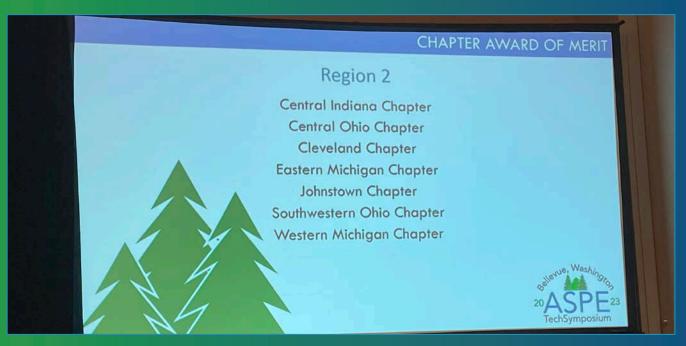
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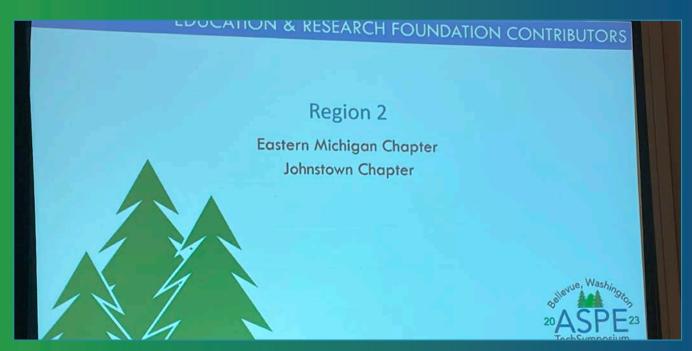
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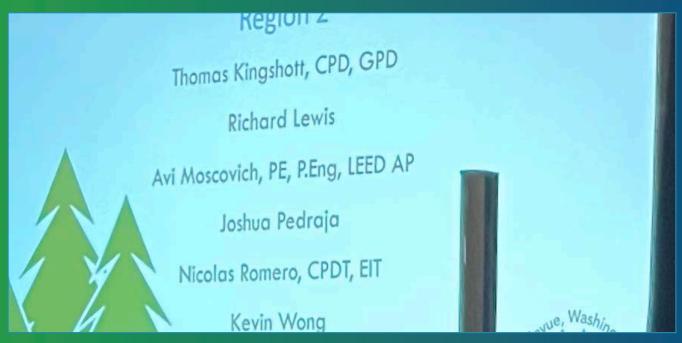
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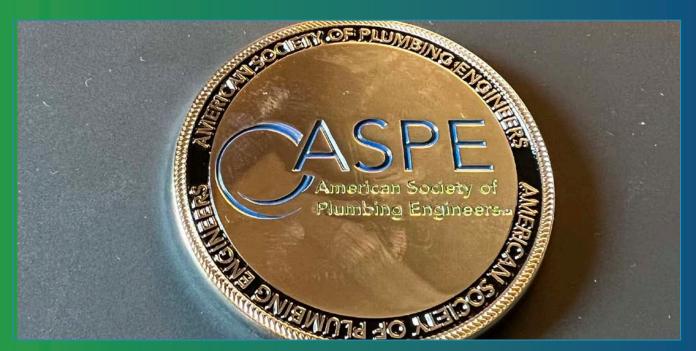
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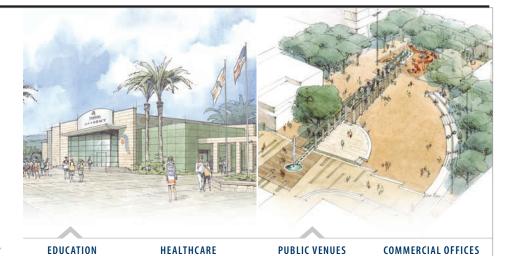
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