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SEPT - MEETING AGENDA

DATE:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 14, 2021

WHERE:

This will be a HYBRID Meeting

Plumbing Industry Training Center in Troy, MI

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Right Sizing Plumbing Systems - Overview

6:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Dinner Break

6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Plumbing 101

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To register for the meeting visit the following link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aspeemc-september-2021-technical-programtickets-167488752367

Please note: Effective November 1, 2020: the price is free for members.

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From Pam Hartsell, CPD, PMP President of ASPE EMC



Welcome to our new 2021-2022 Program Year, Eastern Michigan!

The theme of the year is Transformational. For most of us, our work lives have been totally transformed over the past year and a half. For some of us, our personal lives look totally different now too. Whatever you've been going though, I hope you know that your ASPE EMC family is still here and still going strong! We've got a great line-up of presentations this year and our

mission is to transform your design skills into Super-Powers!

For me personally, things are finally getting back to normal. I'm back in the office full time my approach to work has definitely been transformed. It's sad that it took a global pandemic for me to realize what's really worth feeling stressed about, but it worked! I sleep better, I eat better, I take time for fun and I'm getting lots and lots of exercise! I'm also really looking forward to all the in-person events we have planned. There we're times in the past where it took a lot of energy for me just to show up. I've missed my people so much, though, that knowing I'll be seeing you all soon is a huge lift!

The 2021 Technical Symposium in San Diego is only weeks away and many of your fellow chapter members plan to be there! If there is any way you can make it, this is the year to go! 2021 Tech Symposium - ASPE

Another reminder that you can find all the latest info about the plumbing industry in ASPE Pipeline: https://www.aspe.org/pipeline/

You can also follow our LinkedIn page to keep up to date on what Your Chapter members are up to: https://www.linkedin.com/in/aspe-eastern-michigan-chapter-6333251b7/

I am looking forward to another great year with all my Brothers and Sisters at the EMC!

Your Chapter President, Pam Hartsell president.aspe.emc@gmail.com



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SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING

Virtual Online Meeting 9/7/2021 @ 4:30 PM

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

HYBRID Meeting 9/14/2021, 5:00 - 7:30 PM

ASPE National 2021 Tech Symposium

September 22-26, in San Diego, CA See info on this page.

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AARON STUROS

SEPTEMBER DESIGN SESSION 5:00-6:00 PM

TOPIC: Right Sizing Plumbing Systems - Overview

The convergence of Net Zero, de-carbonization of buildings, and the electrification of all building HVAC systems are going to force major changes to the way that new buildings are designed and constructed. The tools used to design building systems will need to be re-evaluated and updated to optimize the amount of materials and natural resources to construct facilities. A comparison of design tools both old and new as it relates to plumbing system design will reveal how significant these changes can be.



Alan Deal

Presenter: Alan Deal, PE is president of Performance Engineering Group, Inc. Performance Engineering Group has been actively involved in designing and marketing hydronic heating and domestic hot water systems since 1964. Performance Engineering Group has been involved with hundreds of energy conservation projects across a broad spectrum of market segments, including

renewable energy and waste energy solutions. Performance Engineering Group specializes in working with design engineers and contractors to optimize building performance and the return on capital investment in building mechanical systems. Alan has received many industry awards including multiple ASHRAE technology awards for energy conservation activities.

SEPTEMBER TECHNICAL SESSION

6:30-7:30 PM

TOPIC: Plumbing 101

Whether you are new to plumbing design, or just looking to refresh your skills, this introductory course has something for you. Join us for an informative lunchtime presentation on domestic water systems, the codes that regulate them and the standard practices used in designing them.



Rill Gravzar

Presenter: Bill Grayzar, CPD, V.P. Legislative - ASPE EMC

Mr. Grayzar is a past president of the Eastern Michigan Chapter of ASPE and currently serves as the chapters V.P. Legislative. He has over 35 years of experience in architecture and engineering. Employed with DiClemente Siegel Design Inc. for over 20 years, Bill continues to enhance his system engineering skills

through additional vocational field training. Bill has an excellent working knowledge of Michigan's current building codes and regulations. Bill holds an Associate's Degree of Architectural Technology from Delta College and certifications in Plumbing Design and Green Plumbing Design from ASPE. Bill is active with the National Society of ASPE serving on numerous committees. Bill also serves as the current President of the Code Study and Development Group of Southeast Michigan and is a member of National Fire Protection Association. Bill received the Michigan Chapter of ASSE award as Engineer of the Year in 2013.

About Registration and CEUs: ____

If you are attending virtually: there is a link to register via the ASPE Education page. Please follow all directions. Using this platform for virtual meetings allows us to streamline the CEU process. So all attendees that plan to join virtually, need to register via the corresponding ASPE Education link. Our meetings will also be listed on the ASPE Education calendar, so you can find registration info there as well. https://education.aspe.org/

There is also a passcode that needs to be entered for the virtual meetings now. This passcode is in the email invite as well as listed in the webinar instructions.

If you will attend in person (when we can offer this option): 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 in person. Thus, allowing us to make sure we maintain the indoor gathering limits imposed by the Governor, and also order enough food for all. For those that attend in person, we will still 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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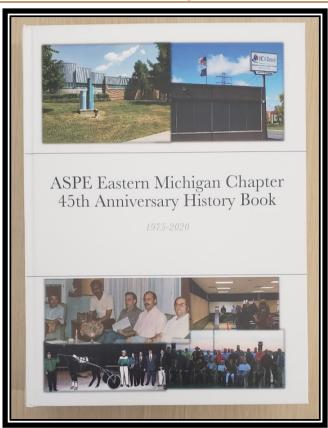
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VP Technical Report

Theresa Card, P.E., CPD, LEED AP BD+C



Hello from your VP Tech!

I hope everyone enjoyed the programming we had in the 2020-2021 Program Year. I thought it went rather well and we had some amazing speakers and topics.

If you have missed any of the meetings last program year you can find recordings of them below. Please note you will likely have to copy the text below and paste into a

browser to see the videos – as we have found some cannot click the links directly from the newsletter itself.

September 2020 Presentations Recordings: Plumbing Sizing 101 – Pipe Sizing & Hunter's Curve and The Future of Plumbing Sizing

- Part 1 (because my cpu died in the middle of Dan Cole's Hunter's Curve presentation): https://youtu.be/lthRojeGR9Y
- Part 2 (Pam was able to start recording soon after my cpu died): https://youtu.be/YXkz692z2kU

October 2020 Presentations Recording: Valves 101 and IPC Code Changes 2015/2018/2021

• Full session: https://youtu.be/mX3Q puSoMc

November 2020 Presentation Recording: Cross Connection for the Plumbing Engineer

• Full session: https://youtu.be/GYM9cUIxrWg

<u>December 2020</u> Presentation Recording: Fire Protection 101 and 102

• Full session: https://youtu.be/12HsTuCapY8

<u>January 2021</u> Presentation Recording: Climate Change: What is it? How will it Impact the Built Environment?

• Full session: https://youtu.be/g5XHD0_YeOg

<u>February 2021</u> Presentation Recording: Plumbing Systems 101

• Full Session: https://youtu.be/5tBElCIC8m8

<u>March 2021</u> Presentation Recording: Water Filtration and Water Heaters Compared

• Full Session: https://youtu.be/FEsgUCRB7X4

<u>April 2021</u> Presentation Recording: Medical Gas Technology & Med Gas in a Pandemic

• Full Session: https://youtu.be/eM0jLhyl-Kw

May 2021 Snow Melt 101 and Building Integration and Commissioning

• Full Session: https://youtu.be/XSF3H4maML0

If you would like PDF copies of the slide decks, please let me know.

2021-2022 Program Year

Your Board has been working hard this summer, not only with this crazy work environment we have all been dealing with – but also to get some fantastic programs lined up for the 2021-2022 Program Year starting in September! The Annual Program has been sent to your inboxes from Theresa Green, our amazing Newsletter Editor and Website Manager. We could not survive without her wonderful contributions!

We will be doing hybrid (online and in person offerings) for ALL our meetings this next year. Please only RSVP in person if you really plan on attending. We will offer the same in person perks as years before: dinner courtesy of Lukich catering, Vendor Tabletops where you can get some hands on information about new products and the immeasurable benefit of camaraderie with your fellow plumbing engineers. As always, meeting will be on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month, in the evening so as not to conflict with ASHRAE. HOWEVER - PLEASE NOTE MAY'S MEETING IS THE LAST TUESDAY- MAY 24TH. We hope this does not cause too much of an issue with folks - but it was the only date we could get the speaker to attend. Speaking of, the guest speaker for April and May will be Christoph Lohr! Some of you may know Christoph from national events, from being the past AYP liaison to the national ASPE board or from about any conference where people talk about Legionella. He is a Michigan native, so we are glad to bring him back to his home to talk to us about some VERY ground breaking topics.

Check out the 2021-2022 Program for more information!

Stay cool (and sane) out there and we hope to see you soon in September!

Sincerely, Theresa Card, Vpt.aspe.emc@gmail.com

VP Legislative Report

William Grayzar, CPD



2021 PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING SCHEDULE September 21 - 26, 2021 David L. Lawrence Convention Center Pittsburgh, PA 2021 International Code Committee (ICC) Annual conference and Public Comment Hearings are scheduled from September 21-26, 2021 at the David L. Lawrence center in Pittsburgh, PA. This is concurrent with the ASPE 2021 Technical Symposium scheduled from September 22-26, 2021 in San Diego, CA. The ICC Hearing schedule can be downloaded at the following link: https://www.iccsafe.org/wp-content/uploads/2021-PCH-Schedule.pdf. Both events are currently scheduled to be in-person events. I will continue to follow up with the results of the code hearings and news from the ASPE Symposium at the completion of both events. In the meantime, here are the answers to the questions from the short quiz provided in the May 2021 newsletter.

- 1. True or False

 A 4" x 3" water closet connection for sanitary drainage is considered a reduction in size.

 A 4" x 3" water closet connection is not considered a reduction in size (Refer to section 704.2 of the 2015 IPC).
- 2. True or False

 The 100 year, 1 hour rainfall rate for Lansing, MI is the same as Tucson, AZ. Using the charts in Section 1106.1 of the 2015 IPC we find that both Lansing Mi and Tucson, AZ fall in areas with a 3" per hour rainfall rate for a 100 year, 1 hour rainfall event.
- Non-potable rainwater collection from vehicular parking or pedestrian surfaces can be used for landscape irrigation. This is true only for landscape irrigation (Refer to Appendix A section A1302.2 of the 2015 IPC).
- 4. True or False Hot water is defined as water at a temperature greater than or equal to 105°F (41°C). Code defines Hot water as water at a temperature greater than or equal to 110°F (43°C) (Refer to section 202 "Definitions" of the 2015 IPC).
- 5. True or False Condensate drain shall be a minimum of $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in size for equipment with a refrigeration capacity greater than 40 tons and up to 90 tons. Only a $1\frac{1}{4}$ " drain is required per Table 314.2.2 of the 2015 IPC.
- 6. **True** or False Drinking fountains are not required in buildings with an occupant load less than 15 people. (Refer to section 410.2 "Small Occupancies" of the 2015 IPC).
- 7. **True** or False Cleanouts located on stacks can be one size smaller than the stack size. This is true according to Exception number 2 in Section 708.1.5 "Cleanout Size" of the 2015 IPC.
- Floor drains shall have a drain outlet of not less than 1½" inches in diameter. According to Section 412.3 "Size of Floor Drains" floor drains shall have an outlet of not less than 2" inches. In addition, Table 709.1 of the 2015 IPC a floor drain must have a minimum size of 2". Table 709.2 does not apply since floor drains are listed in Table 709.1.
- 9. **True or False** A full open valve is required on the supply pipe to a gravity or pressurized water tank. Refer to Item 7 under Section 606.1 "Location of full-open valves" in the 2015 IPC.
- 10. True or False

 The 97.5% winter deign temperature of 1°F for Lansing, MI is the same as Juneau, AK. Using Table D101, located in Appendix D of the 2015 IPC, we find that both Juneau, AK and Lansing, MI have a 97.5 % winter design temperature of 1°F.

Hope you enjoyed the quiz. I look forward to seeing everyone on September 14th, 2021at the Plumbing Industry Training Center.

Regards,

Bill

AYP Liaison Report

George Bellman



Happy September ASPE members! Geeze, for as long as this year has felt, this summer has particularly seemed to have flown right by. Personally, I've felt a bit of anxiety with all my friends moving back and forth across the country for work because of the pandemic. But I've given thanks to whatever force that has let us keep in

touch with one another and to keep our friendship strong. We message and talk to each other several times a week and even planned a week long cave tour through the Smokey Mountains this past summer – which was extremely cool. It makes me genuinely optimistic for the future within my friend group and in my life in a broader sense.

Looking forward to things here in Michigan, I feel this year will be good for us and our organization both professionally and mentally. I'm excited for upcoming hybrid and in-person meetings taking place – to strengthen our commitments to one another and to participate in these shared experiences.

With the enforcement of the 2018 Michigan Plumbing Code looming (9/15/21 per LARA)(1), I am looking to host a "Code Trivia" night in late September/ early October. I think this will be a great ice-breaker event to start the year and to test ourselves for this next cyclical design phase we find ourselves entering. Everyone will be welcome at this event. And who knows, maybe the AYP's can keep up with our more historically inclined members. :D

Have a great month and continue to stay safe!

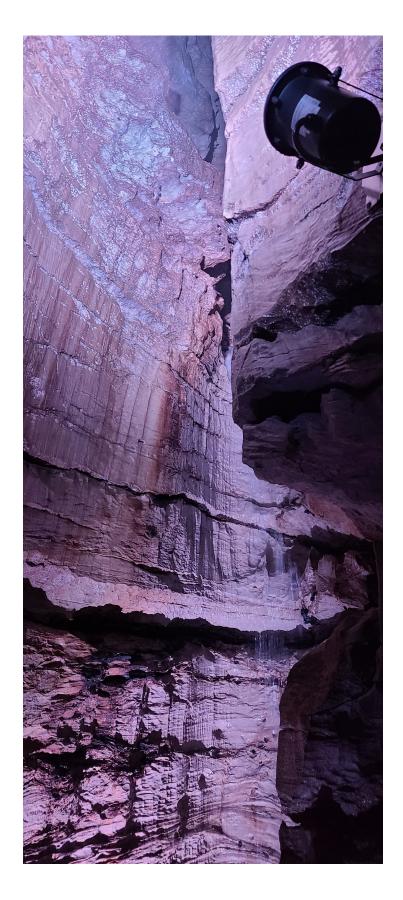
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1. "LARA - Currently Open Rules - 2018 Michigan Plumbing Code; Administrative Rules Part 7." Michigan. Gov, Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, 2021, www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-89334 10575 17550 17583 85703---,00.html

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VP Membership Report

Kristin Simoneaux, P.E., CPD, LEED



Welcome back everyone!

I hope you are all staying healthy and cool. Between work, pandemic, and family, I was not able to do much vacationing this year, but I was able to start a small vegetable garden. Figured it was a great opportunity to teach the kids about plant life cycles. We have a

very small garden of odd vegetables (purple peppers, yellow lemon boy tomatoes, curly green beans, and okra). So far I am learning more than they are as I delve into the world of canning tomatoes and flash freezing okra. With all the rain we have received, I have been able to use our tiny rainwater storage system to keep our garden going and my water bill low. If you have any watering/gardening tricks for me, please pass them along!

We have some exciting new things happening this year in terms of membership. Our chapter is offering again a free 1-year student membership to eligible students. In exchange for the free membership, we request the student give feedback on their experience (through either a short interview or writing their own newsletter article) within the first few months of their new membership. We had a great turn out last year of students that were interested. LTU was in the lead with the most student members from that university join. If you know of a student that has been contemplating membership, please send them my way!

One of the many benefits to becoming an ASPE member is the mentoring program.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor or wish you had someone to help guide you through your plumbing career, please check out our Mentoring Program (https://connect.aspe.org/aspe-mentor-match/mentoring). Our ASPE Connect Mentor Match program helps you find, connect, and share experiences with others as either a mentor or mentee. Since it is the start of the ASPE meeting season, now is a great time to find a mentor/mentee. Our local chapter meetings can help you stay in touch while learning about new topics.

For those you of who are already ASPE members, these tools will help you network and learn more about the profession and the Society and are available to you once you log in to the ASPE website:

- » The Value of ASPE Making the Most of Your Membership
- » Plumbing Engineering Design Handbook, Volumes 1-4
- » ASPE Connect
- » Plumbing Systems & Design Index and Archives
- » Nominating Committee Handbook: A Guide to the Board of Directors Nomination Process
- » PED Handbook of Tables App

If you have any questions or need help joining/renewing your membership, please feel free to reach out to me directly. Until we meet again, stay healthy!

Kristin Simoneaux, P.E., CPD, LEED AP Associate / Senior Mechanical Engineer Direct: (248)336-4760

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Who knew okra was such a pretty plant! I may just plant some in the front yard next year. ©



Small collection of the oddities harvested. I forgot to check on the okra for 2 days and got the mutants on the right. Oops.

Good Rules

Kristin Simoneaux, P.E., CPD, LEED



Hi All,

As everyone knows there's nothing like a nice, hot shower after a long day or to help wake you up in the morning. That joy can become a nightmare quickly however if the water becomes too hot. To share a recent experience of mine (hang in

there as it takes a minute to explain), due to the crazy storms I had no power at my house. Thankfully, my parents who live a few houses away did have power and were willing to take in my family until our power returned. With only one bathroom in the house (crazy right?) we had the fun of my autistic child locking himself in the bathroom and refusing to come out. The doorknob was one that required a thin punch rod to unlock which we couldn't find, and a hanger wasn't working. My son holed up with the only toilet was not going to fly for long in a house full of 5 other people. Luckily, the doorknob was installed though with the screws on the hall side so after taking apart the doorknob my son was freed. One quick trip to Home Depot and the doorknob was replaced with a locking knob that only requires a coin, flat head screwdriver or a fingernail to open. Yay!

After 3 days of no power and everyone getting on each other's nerves, my husband took my kids out of the house and left me to work while my parents were taking their morning showers. After a minute I could hear my over 70-year-old father screaming. He had locked the door but thankfully I only lost a second opening it with my nails. I ran in and he was huddled against the back wall of the shower yelling and trying to stay out of the water stream. I immediately turned off the shower which was turned all the way to hot as copious amounts of steam were pouring into the room. I ran downstairs to check the water heater and found it was set to "VERY HOT". Per the manufacturer manual that meant approximately 160 degrees! I reset the water heater to a much more reasonable temperature and asked my 80-year-old mother why it was set so high. Her response was nobody had touched it, but they had the water heater serviced a little while ago so maybe it happened then. She mentioned the water has been much hotter than usual. Very thankfully nobody was injured.

What I have learned:

- Always check the temperature settings on older friends/family members equipment especially after they have had service done (a 5 second check can make a huge difference).
- When a family member is yelling in pain, Usain Bolt has nothing on my 10 yard dash speed.
- Sometime power outages are a blessing. If I had power my son wouldn't have gotten locked inside the bathroom requiring the knob to be replaced and I wouldn't have been there to help my dad.

We all have seen the charts but as a reminder, most adults will suffer third degree burns if exposed to the following temperatures for the times indicated:

- 120 degrees 5 minutes
- 130 degrees 30 seconds
- 140 degrees 5 seconds
- 150 degrees <2 seconds
- Children and elderly tend to be more susceptible to burns as response times to pain and reflexes decrease.
- Per the US Department of Health and Human Services (https://chemm.nlm.nih.gov/burns.htm), mortality rate due to total amount of body burned increases with age. Elderly may die from burns as small as <15% total body surface area.

Good rules for water temperature safety:

- Residential systems should be set to 120 degrees F maximum at the fixtures to prevent scald risk.
- Always let the water run for a minute and check water temperature with your hand/wrist prior to entering a shower.

Stay safe!

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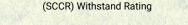
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MAY MEETING AND SUMMER PHOTOS



May Chapter Meeting - Kari Rosteck presents on Commissioning.



May Chapter Meeting - A view from the podium!.

MAY MEETING AND SUMMER PHOTOS



May Chapter Meeting - EMC President Pam Hartsell presents Certificates of Appreciation to presenters Rich McNally and Kari Rosteck.



Pam Hartsell is a 3rd Time Grandma!

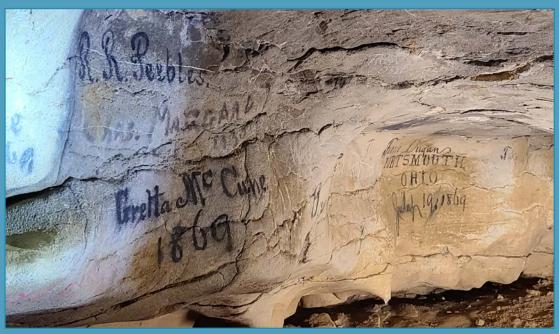


Pam's daughter Jessica had a premie baby and he's doing great!

SUMMER PHOTOS



George Bellman's weeklong cave tour through the Smokey Mountains! This photo is of the "Ballroom" as the tour guide liked to call it, with a bunch of stalactites over a large pond.



Signatures from over a hundred years ago!

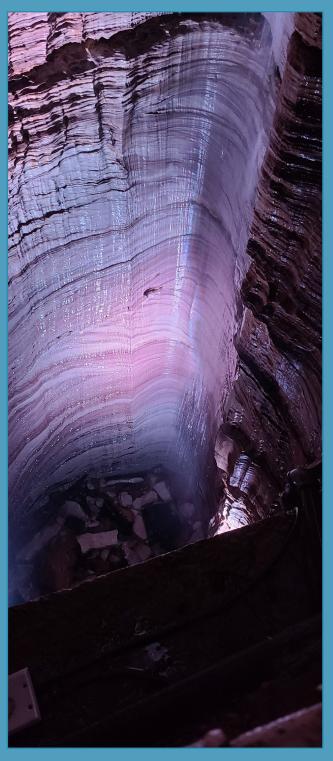
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ASPE EMC's AYP Liaison, George Bellman



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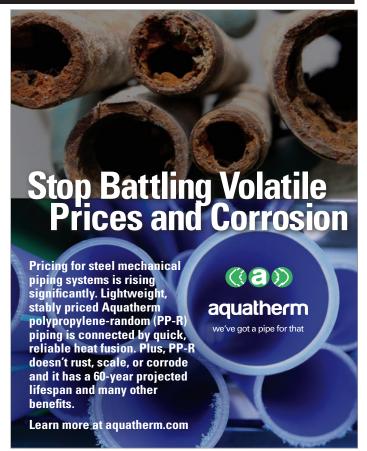
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This program, which is available to all members of the Society, has been designed to connect ASPE members who have a particular skill set (mentor) with individuals (mentee) who are searching to acquire the same skills to develop and make progress toward their personal and professional goals.

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
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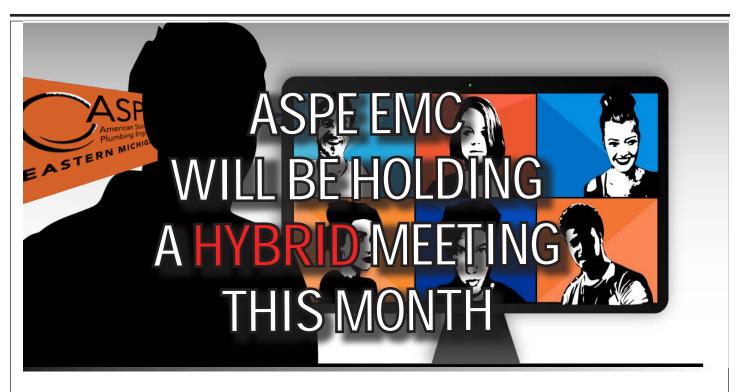
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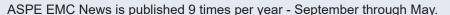
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