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PRESIDENT’S REPORT

John R. Nussbaum, IPP, FASSE



Highlights from the Region II Presidents Meeting:

Paul Bladdick and I attended the meeting in Johnstown, PA, on June 6-9, 2008. Jim Rogers announced he was not running for another term as the Region II Chairman/Director. Jim indicated Mitch Clemente, of the Cleveland Chapter, was running for the position. All attendees were very satisfied with Mitch’s decision to run for the position. Jeff Ingertson (Society Treasurer) indicated there would be no dues increase this year. A copy of the Plumbing Engineering & Design Handbook of Tables was introduced and the attendees were impressed with it. Jeff Ingertson indicated a flyer went out to the ASPE membership with a pre-publication price. (NOTE: I might add that I pre-ordered 30 copies and, as of this writing, 28 of them have been sold.) Jim Rogers indicated that ASPE is encouraging the Plumbing and Mechanical engineering community to hold firm on their specifications. It was brought to the Society’s attention that broken specifications is a growing problem needing to be checked to protect the integrity of their firms and, more importantly, the buyer of their services. The Research Foundation funding has been temporarily suspended while it is being re-organized since the passing of Kenneth Wentink. The Society Board of Directors is establishing a “College of Fellows” in memory of Wentink. The Plumbing Systems Design magazine was reported as being profitable to the tune of \$20,000.00 to \$30,000.00 per year and has grown from 8 to 10 issues per year. The Plumbing Design Handbook, 4th Edition, will be out by the end of 2008. The 2009 Presidents meeting will be held in Rochester, NY, followed by Pittsburgh in 2010.

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Region II Presidents Meeting

SPOTLIGHT on THE Manufacturers

June 3, 2008 at the Plumbing Industry Training Center



President's Report

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Spotlight on the Manufacturers:

On June 3, 2008, at the Plumbing Industry Center in Troy, we had 40 Manufacturers showcasing new products for you to examine and discuss with their representatives. For those of you who took the time to come out and participate, I heard good things from you about the show. I certainly will follow your advice on future trade shows that we will have. Though the turnout was light, we had some quality Engineers and Contractors attend. Thank You, Manufacturers, for your continued support and dedication to our chapter. See photos on page 2.

Upcoming Design Program:

A planning meeting took place on June 14, 2008, by members dedicated to providing you educational programs and classes from September 9, 2008 through May or June of 2009, to insure your ability to stay on the cutting edge of your professional careers. There will be Basic ASPE Plumbing Engineering Design Handbook classes for the new people starting out in your firms or companies, as well as Advanced Handbook classes for the progressive people in your firms. The Handbook classes will be conducted simultaneously starting at 3:30 pm and going till 5:30 pm. A catered dinner, from 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm, will follow the Handbook classes, prior to our guest speaker and the evening program from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. Advanced Classes will be taught by Ronald L. George, CIPE/CPD and the Basic classes by Joseph Hernandez, CIPE/CPD (see page 5 for bios on both of our instructors). Esteban Cabello will substitute for the Handbook classes when needed or called upon. Standards and Michigan codes, both Plumbing and Mechanical, will be incorporated in these classes by individuals in the know. Plumbing Engineers, Design Professionals, Contractors, Journeymen and Inspectors

/ Code Officials will appreciate the fact that CEU's will be available for those of you in need.

We are going "GREEN" with our 2008 /2009 evening programs, as you will see when you receive the color brochure of the 2008-2009 Plumbing Design & ASPE Handbook Classes. Classes are scheduled for September 9, October 21, November 18, December 16, January 20, 2009, February 17, March 24, April 21, May 19, and a trade show in June of 2009. The program descriptions, with speakers and their bios, will be included in the brochure. So, mark your calendars and plan on attending with your fellow members. Brochures will be available the first or second week in August. Also, all this information, including the brochure, will be posted on our web site at www.aspe.org/Eastern_Michigan (URL is case sensitive).

Manufacturer's Representatives:

This coming year's programs and classes promises to bring out the people you want to see. I encourage you to sign up for your table top displays early and take advantage of our cut rate for four table tops for \$600, a savings of \$200. Your choice of which programs you would like to display at. We need your support for our dinner expenses and newsletter publication. We hope to have at least six tabletop displays per meeting.

In closing, I hope you all had a wonderful summer with family and friends and I look forward to see you all in September.

*Your president,
John Nussbaum*

Great News!
**2009 ASPE
TECHNICAL
SYMPOSIUM**
Coming to Detroit

Region 2 Presidents,

7-28-08

It is my pleasure to announce that at the ASPE BOD meeting this past weekend we voted to hold the 2009 Technical Symposium in Detroit, Michigan. The Eastern Michigan's dedication to their education program was a key deciding factor, congratulations to John Nussbaum and the East Michigan board for all of your hard work. The Symposium will be held in nearby Dearborn at the Hyatt, the same hotel we held our Region 2 meeting a few years ago, it is a very nice hotel that is located close to the airport. The cost are being finalized but will be pretty close to the cost in Atlanta, so we should expect another record breaking crowd.

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Taught by Joe Hernandez, CIPE/CPD



Joe Hernandez

Joseph Hernandez received an Associate in Science of Architecture from Henry Ford Community College in 1977 and Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Wayne State University in 1988. He has worked for Harley, Ellis, Piece and Yee, Albert Kahn Associates, Giffels and currently SSOE Inc.

At these A/E firms he held the position of Project Engineer and at SSOE Inc. he is a Senior Associate and the Group Leader for the Retail Division Mechanical Engineering Department. He has been employed by SSOE Inc. for 13 years and started in the Architectural industry in 1971 as an architectural draftsman while in college.

Advanced Handbook Class

Taught by Ron George, CIPE/CPD



Ron George

Ron George is the president of Ron George Design & Consulting. Ron is very familiar with the Plumbing and Mechanical codes and standards and sits on numerous plumbing & mechanical codes and standards committees. He has 30 years of experience designing Plumbing & Mechanical Systems for several major architectural/engineering and design/construct firms. He

has served as an expert witness in many cases and performs forensic investigation all around the United States. He has designed plumbing & mechanical systems for all building types including airports, stadiums, industrial manufacturing facilities, office buildings, commercial and retail buildings, hospitals, laboratories, prisons, jails, hotels, apartment buildings, military projects, and educational facilities.

The 2008-2009 Plumbing Design & Handbook Class Schedule is now posted on our web site.

Print out a brochure of the upcoming season for easy reference.

Post the Design Class Schedule on the office bulletin board to share with co-workers.

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2. "If I were two-faced, would I be wearing this one?"
3. "Not only is there no God, but try finding a plumber on Sunday."
4. "It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog."
5. "If you want a friend in Washington, get a dog."

1. George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950), 2. Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865), 3. Woody Allen (1935-), 4. Mark Twain (1835-1910), 5. Harry S. Truman (1884-1972)

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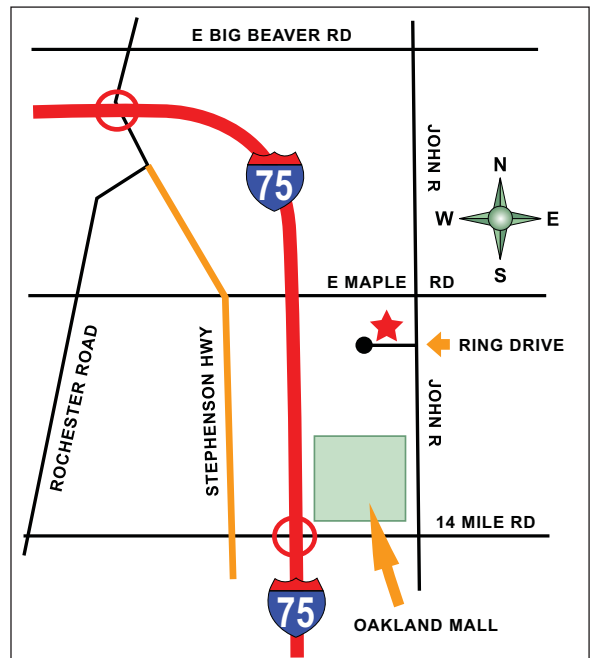
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