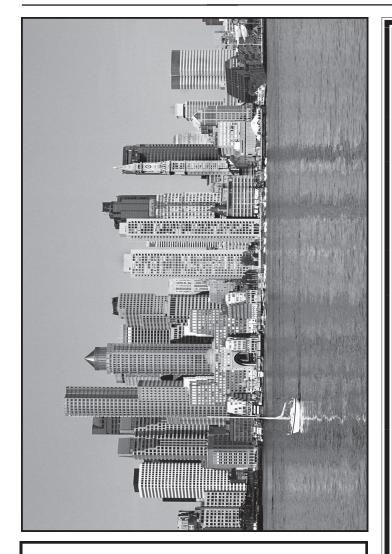


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# **Next Meeting**

# Tuesday, May 12th, 2009

The Lantana, Randolph, MA

## MAIN PROGRAM

WASTE WATER SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY & Chapter Elections

# **GUEST SPEAKER**

Lynn Vlasschaert of Acorn Vacuum

# **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

Social Hour	5:00 - 6:00
Dinner	6:00 - 7:00
Chapter Business	6:45 – 7:00
Speaker / Technical Session	7:00 - 8:30

## MENU

Caesar Salad, Chicken Tuscan Brownie ala Mode

## **MEETING RESERVATIONS**

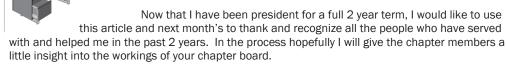
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# **President's Report**



I was asked to be on the board a little over 4 years ago. At that time the chapter itself and the society as a whole were going through a bit of a rocky stretch. I served my first year as VP Legislative and let me tell you trying to figure out what your monthly article is going to be about can be a challenge. However with the help of the board members at that time, in particular John Pokorny and Tom Farrell, I seemed to muddle my way through it. As far as the articles went, thanks to a new code book from the state and the suggestion by my then boss and friend Frank Teebagy, I wrote about the changes in the codes and actually learned quite a bit through the writing of those articles.

The summer after my first year was rather tumultuous. I had a lot going on in my job and by mid summer our then VP Technical, Mike Forth, stepped down to follow his dream of building houses on Nantucket. We wished Mike well and tried to figure out what we would do with the hole left in the board. I was asked by AI Marzullo, the President, if I felt I could step into the VP Technical position for the next year. I reluctantly said yes, but felt with all the help I had received to this point everything would be all right.

The board searched high and low to find a new VP Legislative and AI, thinking on his feet as usual, came up with the idea of having a VPL who was a long standing member of the chapter and would assist the Deputy VPL. AI created a new position called Deputy VPL in hopes that the VPL would teach the Deputy VPL the ropes. Then the Deputy VPL would move on to VP Tech. So in stepped Manny Garcia as VPL and Frank Denisi as Deputy VPL both of whom have done a terrific job. Unfortunately, Frank had to leave the board last year for personal reasons and the board wishes him all the luck in the world .

In my new position, I was presented with a new set of problems not the least of which was that at the end of the term in May I would be running for President. So in November of that year as a delegate to the convention, I cornered Jim Polando and Roger Wardwell in the one of the ball rooms and told both of them that I was willing to run for president, however, I knew I needed a strong VP Technical. In short Jim agreed to take the job and Roger agreed to help and for that I have to thank both of them. Jim is the reason I was able to keep this chapter at the forefront of the society and Roger has provided us with an exceptional Table Top Meeting in April the last 2 years.

At this time John Pokorny, the treasurer to the chapter for a very long time, decided he would like to step down. Fortunately he had all ready hand picked his successor Rich, his son. Thankfully I was starting to see my new board taking shape.

Then I found out the three anchors of the board Paul Galvin, Pat Haney, and Tom Farrel would be staying on and responded with a large sigh of relief. Paul, Pat and Tom have given a lot to the chapter over the years and have provided me with an important historical perspective on the business of the board and insight into running the present board.

The last piece of the puzzle came into place when John Callahan stepped up to take the position of VP Membership. He enlisted Joan Panora to help with the recruiting and retaining Members. Both John and Joan have done a great job and I would have been lost without them.

In next months article I will continue with this past year. I hope these articles will help the Boston Chapter membership understand the inner workings of the board and help members get more involved in the business of the chapter.

By Frederick Neth, CPD, President, Boston Chapter ASPE



## **Membership** News

#### Email addresses

Thank you to the select handful of Boston Chapter members that took the time to actually look at their mailing label and seeing it printed in RED, then took two minutes out of their hectic day to email me their current email address. As a token of appreciation, they will each receive a new ASPE Padfolio complete with two note pads, a removable calculator, and plenty of dividers and pockets for all the business cards and papers one could ever want to carry.

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# Technical Report

#### Waste Water System Technology May 12th

Our final meeting of the year will be a great time and great topic. We will be presented with vacuum waste system technology. The presentation will cover the system values, applications, LEED opportunities, and why we should consider them.

Our presenter is Lynn Vlasschaert of Acorn Vacuum, and he has a number of years of experience in the application of vacuum systems for waste handling, and will share his experience and stories.

The presentation covers the system concepts, components and operation, and has a lot of in-depth data for engineering and design of vacuum systems.

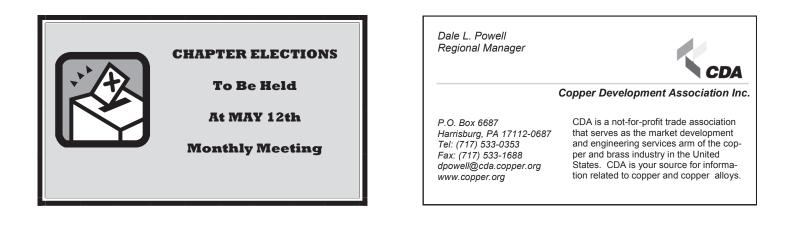
If you were unable to make the April Meeting, you missed a great time. We had a number of vendors bring products associated with water re-use, rainwater harvesting and symphonic roof drainage systems.

Remember that we are all required to perform continuing education to maintain our CPD certifications, and some states require continuing education for PE licensure. These can be earned by attending the monthly meetings, so please come and use our programs to help you!

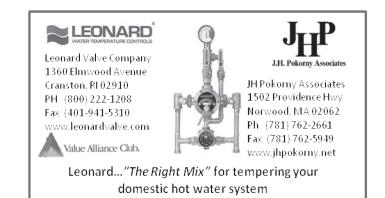
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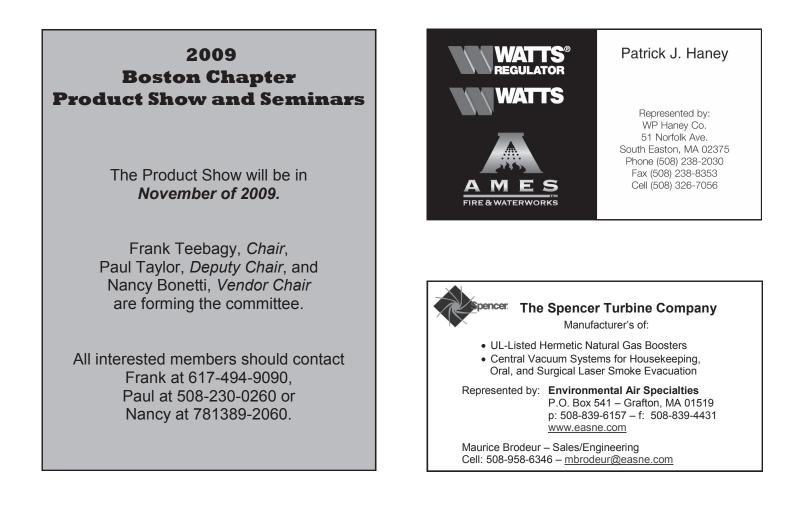


















# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Community Service Project -BSA Camp Norse Plumbing Upgrade $\star \star \star$

The ASPE Boston Chapter is currently working on a new Community Service project and would like to enlist the help of interested Affiliate members and Plumbers in the effort. The goal is for our chapter to purchase a number of water heaters, ADA faucets, and potable water piping and fittings to be donated and installed at Camp Norse in Kingston, MA. Camp Norse is owned and operated by the Annawon Council of the Boy Scouts of America, headquartered in Norton, MA.

It recently came to our attention that Camp Norse doesn't have a potable water supply at three key remote program locations: Archery Range, BB Range, and the Boating Waterfront. Being the most popular and widely used program areas, large coolers of drinking water must be hand delivered daily by camp personnel. We would like to be able to bring a new potable water supply across the camp to each of these remote areas.

The camp also has two very old and inefficient LP gas water heaters that need to be replaced. One is in the Ranger's Station: the other serves the main scout Shower House. Numerous toilet facilities throughout the camp also need to be upgraded with ADA compliant sensor faucets. We feel that ASPE can be instrumental in helping the Annawon Council provide better facilities for the thousands of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts that attend Camp Norse each year. We have been given a plumbing "wish list" of needed items, and have listed them here:

#### **Ouantity** Item/Description

LP tankless water heater to supply 5 showers LP tankless Water heater to supply 1 shower ADA compliant sensor faucets 3.500 ft 1" plastic domestic water piping & fittings

# Location

Shower House Ranger Station Shower House East End Latrine Akela Bathroom Kitchen Lief Bathroom Archery, BB & Waterfront

If you would like to help us purchase any of these items, please let us know. We want to donate these items to Camp Norse by early spring so that they can be installed prior to the upcoming 2009 camping season. We would also like to appeal to the plumbers in our chapter to request their help with the installation of the water heaters and fixtures. If you would like to offer your services to help with the installation of the heaters and/or faucets, please let us know.

Please contact:

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Names will be selected somewhat randomly from all that respond with their updated email address. Those selected will quite possibly win a completely different (and much better) prize this month. In the interest of less-than-full disclosure: Yes it is true; you have a better chance of winning if you are one of the first to respond. Yes it is also true; you have an even better chance of winning if you attend the next Chapter meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Yes it is true; I'm making up these rules as I go along. Any questions Mr. Snappypants?

#### PHCC Pipeline Newsletter

The MA PHCC has offered to send their Pipeline Newsletter to any Boston Chapter ASPE member that would like to receive it. If you would like to start receiving it, email your name and mailing address to Arthur Levine at:

#### <u>Arthur@TheArtofCom.com</u>

Tell him you are a member of ASPE - Boston Chapter and would like to receive their newsletter.

#### New Member Alert

The Boston Chapter would like to cordially welcome Sarah Cevik as our newest Chapter member. Sarah is a Full member and works for TMP Consulting Engineers in Boston. We hope to see you attend your first Chapter meeting on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> which, as a new Boston Chapter member, will be free of charge for you. Additionally, you will be getting a Boston Chapter ASPE tool bag at the meeting as well. Welcome Sarah!

#### By John Callahan, CPD, V.P. Memb., Boston Chapter ASPE



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# **Monthly Meeting**

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The Boston Chapter of ASPE has privilege of hosting a column, Ask the Architect. We will submit all appropriate questions to our panel of Architects, and will post the questions and responses in a later edition of the newsletter. We have a small group of Architects (to remain nameless) that have agreed to field questions from engineers with the idea of building a better understanding of what makes Architects different that engineers. The idea is to form better relationships, based on a better understanding of each other.

This forum, and the exchange, does not represent any Architectural or Engineering group or society.

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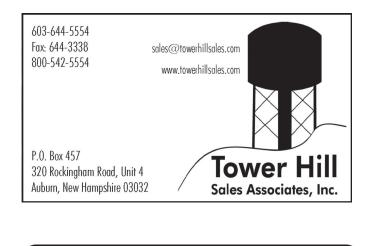


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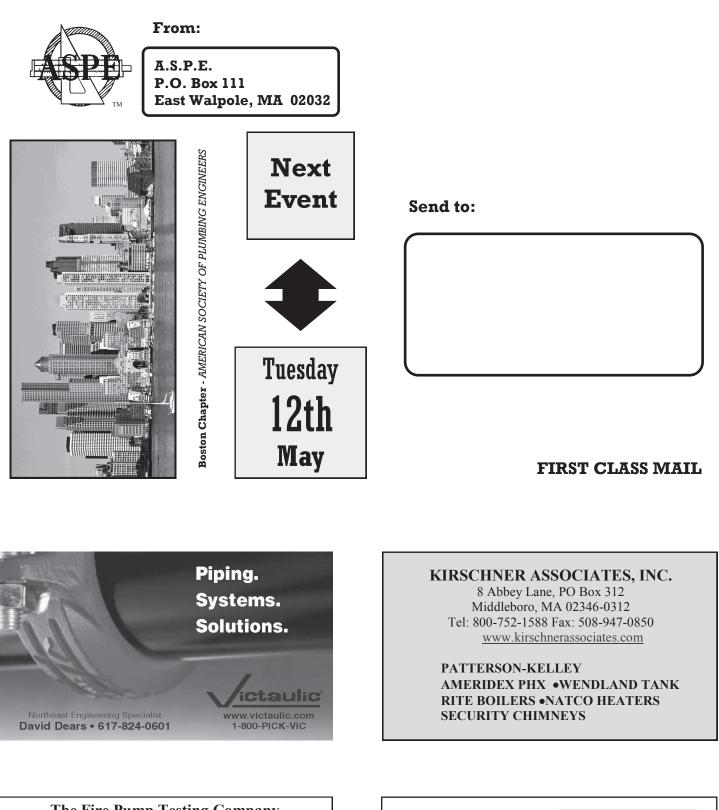






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