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January ASPE Meeting

No meeting!



ASPE Mission Statement

The American Society of Plumbing Engineers (ASPE) is the international organization for professional skilled in the design, specification, inspection and manufacturer of plumbing systems. ASPE is dedicated to the advancement of the science of plumbing engineering, to the professional growth and advancement of its members, and to the health, welfare, and safety of the public.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello ASPE Omaha!

We are excited to kick off another year of exceptional education! Matthew Obst is busy working on the speaker list for this year. Please let him know if you are interested in presenting, or have a topic you would like to see a presentation on. We always welcome ideas for technical sessions.

Our next Chapter Meeting will be Thursday, February 6th at DJ's Dugout. See the January VP tech article for more information.

Some exciting news, our ASPE chapter will be hosting the Region 5 ASPE Presidents meeting this June. Presidents and chapter members from all of the region 5 states will come together in Omaha to discuss ASPE business and share ideas. However, there is much work to be done in preparation. I am putting together a planning committee to help with ideas, and looking into pricing. If you have attended a Presidents meeting in the past, or have ideas for hosting a successful Presidents meeting I would love for you to be on the committee. This will be as little or as much work as you are interested in doing, I would really appreciate some input from others who have attended this event in the past. We need a hotel, meeting space, activity, a nice dinner, the list goes on. Please let me know if you are interested in being on this committee, I would greatly appreciate your help.

Are you interested in a position on the ASPE board? Elections will be held in May 2025. If you are interested in a position please reach out to someone on the board, we would be happy you. Most positions require 1-2 hours per month outside of ASPE meetings, and we would love to see some new faces.

Respectfully submitted:

Kristy Leddy

Omaha Chapter ASPE President

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MESSAGE FROM VP TECHNICAL

Hello ASPE Omaha

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 6th at DJ's Dugout; 777 N114th street, meeting starts at 12:00. Marco DeAngelo with Arkema will be discussing "PVDF Corrosive Waste Drainage Systems and Plenum Considerations". Marco has graciously sponsored the lunch. Thank you very much!!

Visit our new website at ASPE - Omaha Chapter - Home Page (aspeomaha.org). Use the website to register and pay for the upcoming meeting.

Upcoming schedule for 2025:

March 6th – Not Scheduled

April 3rd – Not Scheduled

Please let me know if you would like to present, or if you know someone who would.

I would like to remind all potential speakers/presenters that if you choose to do a presentation, we ask that you do a presentation that is as non-proprietary as possible. We very much appreciate your cooperation with this. This will help us keep in-line with the policies that have been set in-place by Society.

Thank you,
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MESSAGE FROM TREASURER

To ALL ASPE Newsletter Advertisers!

This month I will be sending out newsletter advertising invoice letters for those who currently advertise in our local chapter newsletter. Please review the invoice letters carefully and let the chapter know if you want to make any changes to your listed advertising informational content or size of your advertisements. If all looks fine as listed in the invoice letter and you decide to continue with the current advertisements without changes to the number of pages, content, or sizes, please simply remit payment in the amount listed in the invoice letter. This total will cover your newsletter advertisement for 2025.

Remember your advertisement dollars are the main way we cover the expenses for our chapter so it is important that you get your payments into the chapter. With the ASPE Region 5 Presidents meeting taking place in Omaha this summer, it will be imperative that we receive your advertising dollars in a timely manner as this meeting will be very costly to the chapter as the chapter has to cover the cost of the meeting place, food, entertainment, etc., for those attending from the other chapters of Region 5. The Omaha Chapter wants to show all of Region 5 a wonderful time while in Omaha and this cannot happen without those who contribute to the chapter by electing to advertise in the chapters newsletter.

As always, thank you for your support from the Omaha Chapter of American Society of Plumbing Engineers.

Michael R. Gregory, CPD
ASPE Omaha Chapter Treasurer

MESSAGE FROM VP MEMBERSHIP

Nothing to report.

Todd M Jdrzejczyk, P.E.
VP - Membership

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY/NEWSLETTER EDITOR

New year, and more newsletters to come. I apologize for the inconsistency in newsletters last year in delivery, hopefully you have all gotten the emails from the website. If someone you know isn't getting them, please email me and let me know so I can investigate.

Gage Haack
ASPE Omaha Chapter Secretary, AYP Liaison

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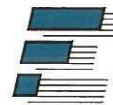
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So remember to **bring some cash** for the raffle.

Ticket prices will be as follows:

\$5 Each, or 3 for \$10

Good Luck... and see you at the meeting!

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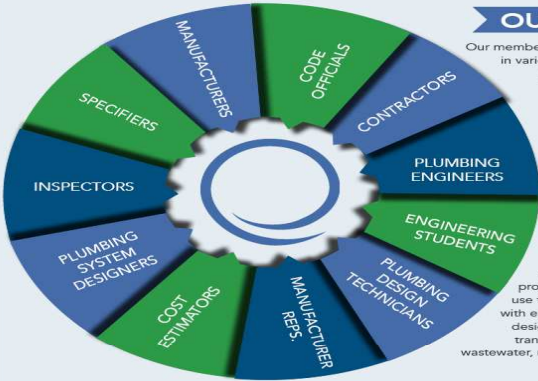
The **AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLUMBING ENGINEERS (ASPE)** is the only organization dedicated to promoting the plumbing engineering profession to both enhance career opportunities for our members and ensure the health, safety, and well-being of the public through the design of safe plumbing, drinking water, and sanitation systems.

WHAT WE DO

- Provide** continuing professional education programs
- Publish** design manuals, tools, and standards
- Host** conferences, tradeshows, and networking events
- Certify** professionals skilled in plumbing system design
- Promote** safe and sustainable water and sanitation systems
- Represent** the industry in local and national government
- Help** develop safe plumbing and building codes and standards

OUR MEMBERS

Our members are individuals working in various professions related to plumbing system design.



What Is Plumbing Engineering?

Plumbing engineering is a vital part of the design/build construction process. Plumbing engineers use the principles of fluid flow with engineering calculations to design plumbing systems that transport fluids such as water, wastewater, natural gas, and rainwater throughout buildings.

BY THE NUMBERS

- Founded in **1964**
- Number of Members Worldwide **6,300+**
- 12** Elected Board Positions
- 61** Local Chapters
- 20+** Technical Publications
- 2** Special-Interest Groups for Young Professionals and Women
- 3** Professional Certification Programs
- 12** Staff Members

INDUSTRY PARTNERS

To achieve our goals, ASPE collaborates with the following organizations:

American Backflow Prevention Association	National Institute of Building Sciences
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Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating	Plumbing Manufacturers International
CSA Group	United Association
IAPMO	Water Quality Association
International Code Council	World Plumbing Council

HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Our Chapters host monthly meetings, golf outings, tradeshows, seminars, picnics, baseball outings, and more fun networking events to help local professionals connect.

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Chapter Page Group Page

Also, visit our chapter website: <https://sites.google.com/site/aspeomahachapter/>. I will be working on keeping the information on the website up to date and looking at adding additional content.

If anyone has any information they would like to share with the rest of the chapter through the website or social media, feel free to send me an email with the information and I will get it posted as soon as I can.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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- » Social and networking events
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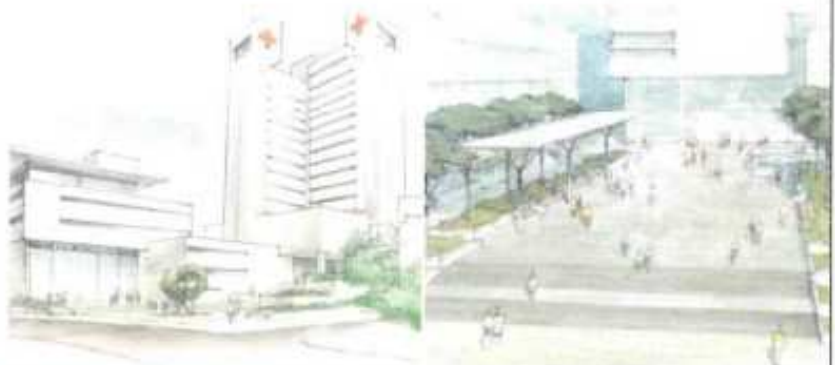
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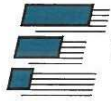
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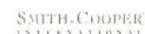
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