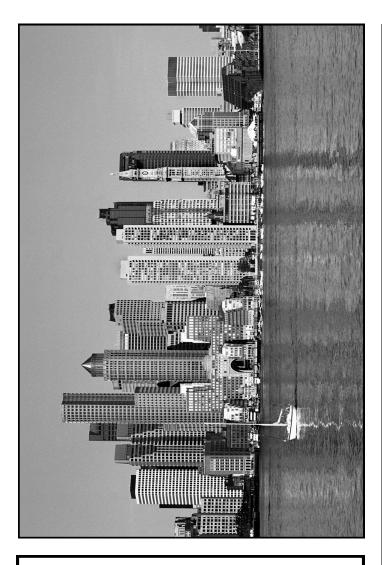


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Next Meeting

TUESDAY, MARCH 11th, 2014

The Lantana, Randolph, MA

MAIN PROGRAM

Federal Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act

SPEAKER

Dann Holmes Unit Manager at NSF International

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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

MENU

Classic Caesar Salad , Grilled Club Sirloin Steak with Cabernet Demi Glaze & Carrot Cake

MEETING RESERVATIONS

\$20.00 ONLINE Reservation (Please use the electronic invitation sent to you) \$35.00 W/O Reservation \$25.00 Call in Reservation Retired & Currently Unemployed Members are Free

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President's Report

This past month's meeting at the Lantana in Randolph on "Fire Stopping" presented by Chris Allington was excellent. Quite frankly, I never thought the subject could be as entertaining and educational as this presentation turned out to be. Chris did a fabulous job of showing us all how important and critical this subject is, while keeping the topic generic, yet full of technical information and fun. The power point slide show was enlightening, packed with technical information and both new and seasoned attendees learned something. If you did not attend, I would urge you to contact Chris and set up a presentation for your company or group.

The meeting attendance was excellent so it appears that some of the changes we have instituted have made a difference. The response to our on-line or electronic reservation system was voiced to me personally by the majority of members who checked in that evening at the reception desk. Kudos to Rich Dean, keep up the good work. We will continue to offer a discount meeting price if you register for the monthly meeting through the electronic e-mail you receive, by the end of day on the Friday or that weekend before the meeting. Please continue your support at our meetings, it is greatly appreciated.

Another "new" idea we are looking at trying this year is a Noon time ASPE Meeting, in downtown Boston, possibly in September or October. I would like your feedback to me or any Board Member on this idea. Please contact any of us via phone, e-mail or in person at the next ASPE meeting.

I would also like to take this time to remind all members and ASPE friends that we are in a membership drive right now. We have a Convention coming this September in Chicago IL and we want the Boston Chapter to be well represented at this event. As I discussed last month, membership is about taking ownership. We have a rich history here in Boston loaded with innovators and leaders of our Plumbing industry. If you haven't renewed your membership, please consider it. Every member knows someone who is not a Boston Chapter Member. Please take the time to talk to them, or call me or John Callahan personally to discuss ideas on how to approach the subject and bring them into the fold.

As always, I will continue to take suggestions at my personal e-mail <u>kwl@eldaar-</u> <u>craftdesign.com</u> or via my cell phone (603) 490-0592. Rich Dean continues to work on our website <u>www.aspebostonchapter.org</u> as well as streamlining our Monthly Meeting Broadcast system and meeting attendance call in. All other suggestions are welcome.

We will continue to allot this space in our Newsletter open for our monthly 2014 Chapter Meeting topic and location reminder, please mark your calendars with these dates and events. Just a reminder, though, please continue to refer to this section as dates and locations are subject to change, **speaking of which, the April Meeting will move to April 15, 2014 as opposed to previous notice**:

| March 11-2014 | "National Sanitation Foundation" at Lantana's, Randolph MA |
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| April 15-2014 | Joint Meeting with PHCC "Integrated Plumbing and NFPA 13D Sys- tems" presented by Tom Keefe, Viega, to be held at the Marriott Hotel, Quincy MA |
| May 13-2014 | "Legionella and Pathogen Risk Reduction in Plumbing Systems" presented by Tim Keene, national consultant, to be held at the Chateau, Andover MA |
| June Social | We are looking into having the June Social back at the Boston Winery in Dorchester MA. Spouses Invited! I would like to hear your feedback on this. |

Sincerely, Kevin W. Lally, CET,, President, Boston Chapter ASPE

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Technical Report

Next Meeting Tuesday March 11, 2014 The Lantana, Randolph, MA

Main Program

The program will cover the new Federal Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act which went into effect January 4th, 2014. We'll review the law, its background, interpretation issues, manufacturing issues, exemptions, specifications, enforcement, identification and installation. We'll discuss what you; the Engineer, Distributor, Contractor and/or Inspector need to understand in these final months prior to the implementation of Lead Free potable water systems.

Speaker

Dann Holmes Unit Manager at NSF International

| Program Schedule | | | |
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Mr. Holmes is a Business Unit Manager at NSF International in Ann Arbor, MI; working in the Water Divisions' Mechanical Plumbing Program. Prior to NSF, he spent nearly 11 years as a District Manager for Viega. He has been a field salesman in the Plumbing and Mechanical industry since 1987. He represents ASPE Region 2 as their Affiliate Liaison and holds positions on the ASPE Eastern Michigan Chapter Board as a Director and Chapter Affiliate. He writes regular articles in the ASPE EMC Newsletter. He maintains a Director position on the ASSE Chapter of Michigan Board. In addition, he is a member of ASHRAE, ASHE and SMSHE. He regularly presents CEU Classes to Plumbing and Mechanical Inspectors and engineering firms.

By Laurence D. Johnston, CPD, V.P. Technical, Boston Chapter ASPE







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Membership News

Win Dunkin Donuts Gift Cards?

Congratulations to Michael Belanger and Brian Hanlon who were the first two members to renew their membership online last month. Surprisingly nobody else notified me that they renewed online so our third Dunkin Donuts gift card went unclaimed for the month. We will offer three more gift cards to the first three members that notify that they have renewed online. Just email me and let me know that you renewed online and the \$10 Dunkin Donuts gift card is yours. Ready, Set, Go! The names below are the Boston Chapter Members who need to renew their membership in March. Do it online and



win in more ways than one!

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What is wrong with this photo?



This photo was taken in the Men's Toilet Room at the Providence Performing Arts Center. If you look closely you can see there is a step up into the areas where the urinals are installed. It makes you wonder why the farthest urinals are mounted at an accessible height...

Returning Members 50% off Promotion

If your membership lapsed in 2012 (or any year prior to that), you are eligible to rejoin the Society at a 50% discount. Regardless of how many years it has been since your membership lapsed, all it takes to become a member again is to fill out the form available at <u>www.aspe.org</u>. This promotion has been extended for a few more months.

Going, Going, Gone

In an effort to minimize the expense of publishing and mailing monthly newsletters to ex-members that will not be renewing their membership, we will be updating the Boston Chapter's newsletter mailing list. Going forward, members that are no longer in good standing will no longer be receiving a monthly newsletter. The culling of ex-member names will commence with the April newsletter. For some of you, this will be your last newsletter unless you renew or rejoin right away.

Snapshots from the January Chapter Meeting:



LEFT - Bill Hughes addresses the Members in Attendance with news from Society.

RIGHT - Boston Chapter President Kevin Lally gives his monthly update prior to the technical meeting.



By John Callahan, CPD, V.P. Membership, Boston Chapter ASPE

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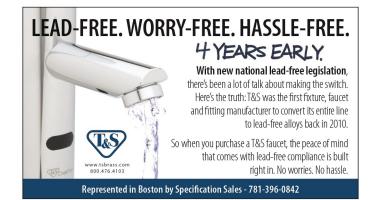
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Legislative Report



On May 20, 2013, the Massachusetts State Plumbing Board posted a code interpretation in regards to the use of PVC pipe in commercial and residential installations. This month's legislative article is a review of that interpretation.

In the state of Massachusetts, PVC drainage pipe may be used in above and below ground installations for storm and sanitary drainage systems in buildings that are 10 stories and less. The use of PVC is limited by building type or use

per 248 CMR Section 10.06 (2) (o). The board's recent interpretation of this code section includes a list of "Highlights" and a diagram detailing the use of PVC pipe for various installation scenarios. The official interpretation can be found at the following location. <u>http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-boards/pl/board-policies/code-interpretations/</u>.

The following are some highlights from the Plumbing Board's interpretation of 248 CMR 10.06 (2) (o).

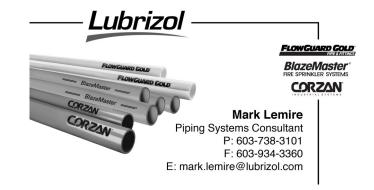
- The horizontal drainage and vent piping to and from residential fixtures may be PVC Pipe.
- PVC drainage pipe conveying drainage from a residential level or levels above may pass through a commercial level or use as a PVC stack if no commercial drainage is connected into the stack.
- If commercial drainage connects into a stack conveying residential drainage, the entire stack is required to be cast iron up through the roof.
- With the use of PVC pipe, the plumbing board requires expansion joints between every other branch interval and on runs of pipe exceeding 20'-0" in length.

The use of PVC pipe can be an effective cost saving measure for the client, but as discussed above, its use is restricted within the state of Massachusetts. The use of PVC piping can also result in a noisy drainage system. The pros and cons of PVC pipe should be reviewed with the client prior to specifying and installation.

As always, I would like to encourage all members to feel free contact me either by phone or email regarding the article or any other legislative matters.

By Frank Denisi, V.P. Legislative, Boston Chapter ASPE





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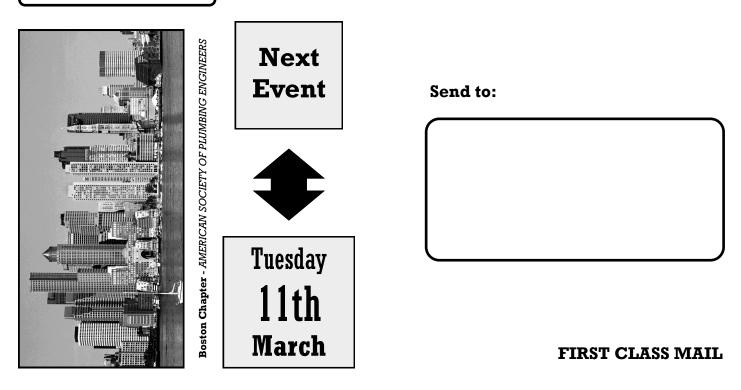
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