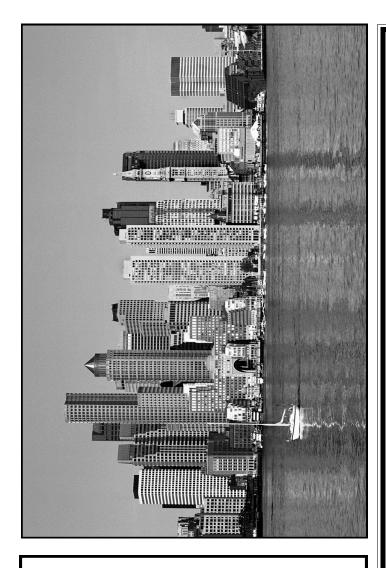


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# **MAIN PROGRAM**

Mr. Wayne E. Thomas, Executive Director Board of State Examiners of Plumbers & Gas Fitters

# **PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

 Social Hour
 5:00 - 6:00

 Dinner
 6:00 - 6:45

 Chapter Business
 6:45 - 7:00

 Speaker / Technical Session
 7:00 - 8:30

MENU

Iceberg Wedge, Boneless Short Ribs & Peach Cobbler

# **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**

Hello to all ASPE members and friends. The Board is back from the

ASPE Convention in Chicago IL September 19<sup>th</sup> through the 25th. This was the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Society and we had an excellent delegation from our Chapter supporting this event. We attended ASPE Business Meetings where Society By-Law amendments were reviewed and voted on and a new slate of Society Officers was voted in. We attended all of the Technical Seminars and the largest Plumbing Exposition in the country as well as other interchapter meetings and councils. Please go through the newsletter and review these events in our reports. More will be added in the upcoming newsletters and on our website

The following is a report from the ASPE Chicago Convention 2014 Joint Region Presidents Meeting, held on 09-20-2014 from 11:00 – 12:00 (I have added editorial comments as they relate to many of the changes that came out of subsequent by-law amendments). 1. The Society has put forth a 7,000+ Membership Goal over next two to four years.

- 2. Reduced Membership fees for delinquent past renewals will be addressed at a lower rate in the coming months.
- Monthly Meeting Ideas. Young members groups (AYP Committee). Events with Affiliate members (IE Sporting events, Social events). Bringing meetings to the members. Employer involvement pros and cons. Moving the meetings around. Meetings on the Go (On-Line meetings). Luncheon meetings as we had this past month, all were discussed and reviewed with varying success.
- 4. Local Chapter Board structure requirements discussed as it related to the By-Law Amendment that loosened up the requirements for smaller to mid-sized chapters and large chapters such as Boston. All chapters regardless of size will now be open to other member categories. The actual by-law amendments will be published in the near future. This may have a huge impact on our chapter.
- 5. Thinking outside the box regarding all aspects of Society membership, classifications, screening, etc. How do we grow our membership over the next decade?
- 6. Remember, we are "Plumbing Engineers", not "Plumbers". We need to stop calling ourselves "Plumbers".
- 7. Where is CPD going as it relates to recognizing Plumbing Engineering as a discipline and eventual State(s) registration. It is not the position of Society to push for CPD's to sign drawings. Society is pushing for registration and recognition of Plumbing Engineering as a discipline.
- 8. Bill Hughes stated in conclusion that there are a lot of things within our Society that need to change. Additional By-Laws need to change and become more simplified and less cumbersome. See subsequent report on the By-Law Amendment proposal voting.

As you may discern, this was a historic Convention. Many changes were addressed and many more will be confronted with our new slate of Society Officers. They are a very progressive and pro-active group. More will be put forth in future newsletters. If you are interested in getting involved in our chapter, please contact me or any other board member. These changes will open up all sorts of new doors for you

As always, our job is to work diligently at keeping you highly engaged in order to elevate our chapter to the highest possible level of excellence while motivating you to remain productive and long term members.

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

The Boston Chapter regrets to announce the death of the father of Boston Chapter Board member Patrick Haney.

William P. Haney Sr passed away on September 29, 2014. William worked for many years as a sales manager for the Watts Regulator Company before founding his own sales agency, The WP Haney Company located in Easton, MA. The company represents Watts and other plumbing and heating manufacturers.

William leaves his loving wife Mary Haney, and children; Michael Haney, Marianne Scarduzio, Patrick Haney, Timothy Haney, William Haney and Kristen Lally. Also survived by 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A private funeral service was held on Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014. Donations in Williams' memory can be made to the Foxboro Discretionary Fund, PO Box 636, Foxboro, MA 02035

Please keep the Haney family in your thoughts and prayers.

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# **Technical Report**

Next Meeting

Tuesday November 11, 2014-The Lantana, Randolph, MA

Main Program

Wayne will be talking to us about what's going on at the Board of State Examiner's office. He will be up-dating up on the latest and greatest code interpretations, revisions and what they've been working on this past year.

Speaker

Wayne E. Thomas, Executive Director Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters

Program Schedule				
Social hour:	5:00 to 6:00			
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The latest and greatest code interpretations and revisions. Bring your code questions and code ideas and ask the Executive Director.

Mr. Thomas, is a Master Plumber since 1978. He ran a Plumbing Service Business for 30 plus years. Then came to the Board as the Associate Executive Director in 2010 and became the Executive Director in 2013.

#### About the Board

Plumbers work with materials and fixtures used in the installation, removal, maintenance, extension and alteration of plumbing systems for piped fixtures, fixed appliances and accessories. They perform this work in connection with sanitary drainage, storm drainage, special waste, venting systems and public or private water supply systems within or adjacent to a building or structure. Gas Fitters pipe fuel gases, low pressure or elevated, to appliances and accessories and insure the installation of vent piping for flue gases and make-up air.

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







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#### New Boston Chapter Members

These following are new members of the Boston Chapter. Please welcome them to the Chapter.

Robert ShupeAffiliate MemberGourley Co.Waltham, MALloyd BenjaminAffiliate MemberAKR Assoc.Newington, CTJeffrey HodginAffiliate MemberJ H Pokorny Assoc.North Reading, MABrandon FrenchAffiliate memberVictaulicHopkinton, MA

#### Membership Update

The Boston Chapter currently has 264 members. They are broken into the following groups:

Full Members	164
Associate Members	13
Affiliate Members	59
Government Members	2
Special Members	11
Life Members	2
Retired members	13
Members with PE	57
Members with CPD	43
Members with PE & CPD	14

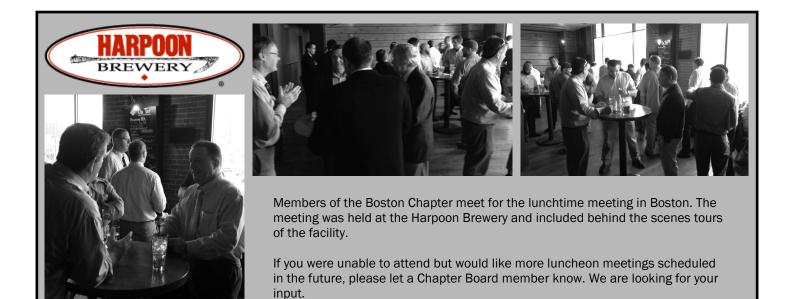
### New Membership Sub-Committees

For those of you that occasionally read this newsletter, you know that Joan Panora and Jill Moretti have been on my membership sub-committee for quite some time. They have assisted in helping to contact members that were overdue in renewing their membership, as well as tracking past members of the chapte, among other things. Despite everyone's best efforts our membership numbers continue to decline. My goal is to reverse that trend, and to do so, I plan on expanding my membership sub-committee.

I want to focus on our membership retention efforts, getting past members to rejoin, recruiting new members, getting plumbing dept heads active and involved, and to also start a mentoring program for new and young members. To do so I need more members to volunteer for a couple hours a month on the sub-committee. Most of the effort can be done via email or telephone at your convenience. It doesn't matter what your age or experience is, whether you are a PE, CPD or neither, or whether you are a draftsman, designer, engineer or an affiliate member.

Please contact me if you would like to help out on the sub-committee. By the way, you'll earn a number of recertification units towards your CPD if you are on the sub-committee. And you'll have summer months off. What do you say?

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







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# Legislative Report



It was great seeing you all at our ASPE lunch social at Harpoon Brewery last month. It was awesome to see some of the plumbing involved in a brewery. Having had the opportunity to have designed a brewery, they definitely can be plumbing and fire protection intensive and among the more challenging and just plain fun facilities to help design.

Recently, a couple of you have me asked me about the Massachusetts requirements in regard to condensate drainage. This month's article will be a review of the 248 CMR requirements and the pluming board's policy in regards to condensate drainage. Massachusetts State Plumbing Code sections 248 CMR 10.12 (e) "Indirect Waste Piping-clear water waste" and 248 CMR 10.22 Figure 21 details the requirements for condensate drainage. Clear water waste includes drips from expansion tanks, sprinkler systems drainage, HVAC condensate, and drainage from drip and overflow pans. A condensate stack or drain is to connect to the storm drainage system, a back water valve is to be provided at the point of connection and the condensate stack or drain is to be vented separately through the roof (depicted in figure 21). Please note that waste discharge from safe waste pans serving water heaters are exempt and may discharge indirectly to the sanitary drainage system. Condensate waste totaling 12.5 gph or 300 gpd or less are also exempt from this requirement and may discharge indirectly to the sanitary drainage system. In order to take the clear water waste exemption, a calculation is to be provided to the plumbing board.

Other Legislative News:

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

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



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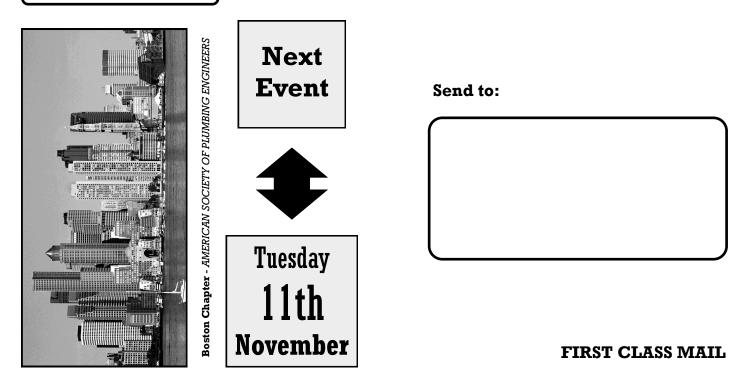


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