



Chapter [Newsletter](#) | April, 2025



president

Melissa bowers, p.e., cpd - arcxis

April 2025 Newsletter Article: Chapter President

On the morning of March 17th, I got an email from the ASPE society congratulating me on my 17th anniversary of joining ASPE and being a proud Phoenix Chapter member. I wanted to open this newsletter article by thanking each of you for your continued support for the last 17 years. I look forward to many more and continuing to serve you all locally and nationally.

I got approval to enroll every one of my company's plumbing designers in ASPE. I helped 6 new plumbing designers become ASPE members this month in various chapters across the United States based on their hometown locations. My company also has agreed to renew all memberships for people that were already members of ASPE (we have four of us that are already members). That is how much value ARCXIS sees in ASPE. I hope other companies also help their designers do the same. To me, it is a win-win proposition. Every time an employee's name is out there with ASPE, the company name is also out there as well. I put together a form letter I created on the value of ASPE to share with my company officers on this initiative. If you would like me to send you this letter, feel free to email me. I am happy to share this letter with you privately if requested.

I am looking to branch out and run for Region 4 Director for the society during the 2026 Society elections. Those of you that are not familiar with Region 4 – that is our region. It starts up North with the Vancouver BC chapter in Canada, goes south all the way down the west coast to several chapters in Washington state, Oregon, and in California all the way down south to San Diego, east to us here in Phoenix and the Intermountain Chapter in Utah (in Salt Lake City) and continues east to the chapter in Denver. Region 4 the birthplace of ASPE. ASPE started in Los Angeles in 1964, as a group of friends that did plumbing design engineering meetings at various offices to learn more about their industry. 61 years later, here we are with over 7600 members in over 60 chapters here in the United States and

Canada, including several at large members and overseas members. To think it all started here in the western United States! Living proof that as a society we are **STRONGER TOGETHER!**

March was a banner month for our chapter. March 18th was our chapter meeting on an Introduction to Gas Regulators presented by Mr. John Bird. He invited each of us to check out the following website for more information and educational opportunities. Please check out the following website: www.linepressureregulator.com.

On March 21st, we had our Chapter Golf Tournament at the Legacy Golf Resort here in Phoenix. With 144 golfers in groups of 36 foursomes, this event was sold out for the second time in a row. I hope every golfer loves the idea of having a customized ASPE Phoenix Chapter golf club cover for their golf bag! A memento that you can use for hopefully many more years to come!

I want to express my thanks to everyone on our board who helped make this tournament a success. I would also love to acknowledge the combined efforts of the Golf Committee, led by the chairman of that committee, Mr. David Turner, for all their efforts. Grady Lance and Jim DeLong also participate on this committee, and I want to extend my thanks for all three great gentlemen. It was great to see everyone show up and the weather was perfect. Eric Gagnon, our corresponding secretary, is a fantastic photographer. He has posted photos from that event on our chapter website. If you want to download pictures of your foursome, please check out this link. www.aspephx.com/gallery.php. We always wish more people would stay for lunch as that is when we give out awards and awesome raffle prizes.

April's meeting should be a fantastic one. On April 15th, Mr. Kevin Vock with Zurn will be speaking to our chapter on an Introduction to Siphonic Roof Drainage. As we all know, Zurn has been a leading manufacturer on the cutting edge of plumbing drainage products and education of plumbing

designers and engineers, and this promises to be an exciting event.

It seems like right after our annual golf tournament, we see a surge in people joining ASPE as chapter members and even showing up to chapter meetings, and hopefully our chapter can capitalize on this positive momentum! We hope to see as many of these people from the golf tournament show up to our monthly meetings, everyone is welcome.

We meet on the third Tuesday of the month, September thru May at Aunt Chiladas. From 11:30-1pm and our board of directors meeting starts following this chapter meeting. I have this come up as a recurring meeting on my company and personal Outlook calendars. If every member did this by blocking out this chunk of time every month, we would have a much better turnout during our chapter meetings.

I have spoken to all the board of directors' affiliate members that serve our chapter – all of them have agreed that they will sponsor a designer or engineer for the cost of a lunch meeting to get more people to our meetings. All it takes to get that opportunity to have that member pay for your lunch is to reach out to them prior to the meeting. Please reach out to any of those members – Jessica Wozniak, Dana Jones, Holly Bruns, Jim DeLong and Grady Lance via email (all those emails are on our website) if you are interested in attending a chapter meeting in 2025 and have the cost of a meeting be sponsored.

Lastly, I want to thank you all as members and meeting and event attendees for your support of our chapter. The board of directors – you are my second family by now. I have nothing in my heart but love for each one of you. You are each a big reason why I have been a member for so long.

All chapter members and meeting attendees though - we cannot do what we do without every member, and you are all valued. We are ASPE Phoenix and **STRONGER TOGETHER!**

I look forward to seeing you in person soon.

CARPE DIEM and God Bless!

Melissa G Bowers, PE, CPD, GPD

Licensed in AZ/NC/NV/UT/CO/TX/CA/OR/WA/IN

Exciting CPD News: The Baltimore and Washington DC chapters of ASPE are putting on a CPD review course for the exam taking place in April of this year. They will also have the sessions virtually held. I will attach the flyer we were given at the very end of my newsletter article. Check that out for more information. Seems like a winning proposition to me!

CPD Review Course Specifics:

CARPE DIEM and God Bless!

Melissa G Bowers, PE, CPD, GPD

Licensed in AZ/NC/NV/UT/CO/TX/CA/OR/WA/IN

CPD Review Course Specifics:

In Person & Virtual CPD Review Session 2025

The Washington DC and Baltimore ASPE Chapters are proud to sponsor a free, simultaneous in-person and virtual log-in CPD review session at the E.J. Dwyer Co. Conference & Training Center at 10910 Pump House Rd, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. A TEAMS meeting link will be provided by the Friday before the event for the virtual log-in participants.

The review session will be on three consecutive Saturdays in March: March 1st, March 8th, and March 15th. Each of the sessions will commence from 9:30 AM through 3:30 PM (EST) with a 45-minute lunch break during the noon hour.

If you are interested in participating whether in-person or by virtual means, then please register via e-mail no later than the afternoon of Wednesday, February 28th to either Ned Dwyer ndwyer@ejdwyer.com or Kathy Dwyer kdwyer@ejdwyer.com and Cc yours truly David.Bailey@wsscwater.com. Also, please indicate whether you will be attending in-person or by virtual means.

Please have on hand the latest edition of the CPD Study Guide, a highlighter, a calculator, pen and paper. A limited number of study guides and seating will be made available at E.J. Dwyer Co. for in-person attendees. The CPD Study Guide may also be purchased on-line from the ASPE Bookstore website: <https://aspe.org/product/cpd-study-guide-2024-softcover-or-ebook-requires-adobe-digital-editions/>

ASPE SOCIETY ALERT: Deadline to register for the CPD exam is April 1, 2025 (no fooling). 2025 CPD Exam Dates: April 7-18.

Respectfully,

David Bailey

David M. Bailey, CPD, GPD, FASPE

DATE: March 1st, March 8th, and March 15th from 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM (EST)
LOCATION: E.J. Dwyer Co. 10910 Pump House Road, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701
CONTACT: Ned Dwyer – ndwyer@ejdwyer.com – Mobile: 443-250-4275
Kathy Dwyer – kdwyer@ejdwyer.com – Mobile: 443-250-0285

Dwyer Directions by Drone: <https://vimeo.com/ejdwyercompany/directionshydrone>

Dwyer Directions by Google: <https://tinyurl.com/2kvh6xpm>

CARPE DIEM and God Bless!

Melissa G Bowers, PE, CPD, GPD

Licensed in AZ/NC/NV/UT/CO/TX/CA/OR/WA

MBowers@arcxis.com



vice president, technical
jim delong - pir sales

Here comes the Sun

I hope everyone had a great March. If you didn't make the ASPE Golf Outing, you were missed. Had a full field and raised a lot of money for the Phoenix ASPE Chapter. Thank you to all that attended and donated. These funds go to help send the Board to National events, like the symposium and the ASPE National Convention. Arizona gave us some great weather for the day and a lot of people left with a smile on their face. Thank you to all the sponsors and the people that helped to work the event. Big shout out to the Manufacturers and Vendors that help us financially grow our chapter.

Did you know as a member of ASPE you have access Plumbing Engineering Design Handbooks?

ASPE maintains a comprehensive publishing program, spearheaded by the profession's basic reference text, the *Plumbing Engineering Design Handbook*, which encompasses more than 50 chapters in four volumes and provides comprehensive details of the accepted practices and design criteria used in the field of plumbing engineering.

ASPE members can access eBook versions of the current PEDH volumes by clicking on the following book covers. NOTE: The Digital Copy is an eBook, not a PDF. It will require the use of a digital reader such as [Adobe Digital Editions](#).

Non-members can purchase copies in the [Bookstore](#). Not an ASPE member? Click on the Join/Renew button above to get your handbooks for free! Go to your ASPE acct, and look at all the information that is at your fingertips.

April 15 speaker will be Kevin Vock. He will be speaking on Intro to Siphonic Drainage.

See you at the meeting.

jimd@pirsales.com



vice president, legislative
jessica wozniak - mpsw

Greetings ASPE Phoenix,

A heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who helped make our golf tournament a resounding success! Many don't know, but our Chapter doesn't make any income on the lunch meetings – we charge admission only so that we make break even on the cost of the meal/facility, so, the annual golf tournament is our chapter's primary source of income which goes to fund ASPE research and development, promotion, scholarships for young designers, and also serves to fund the responsibilities of our Chapter when we host Society events in our backyard (Expo, President's Meeting). We truly appreciate and notice all who attend, sponsor and work to ensure this tournament's success! Big Gold Star(s) to David Turner and Grady Lance for organizing the event – went off without a hitch!

This month, I wrapped up two UCLA Distance Learning Courses taught by Chapter Member Daniel Murphy, PE, CPD. I have spent my entire career working in Applied Equipment Sales, so I was extremely eager to sit in on these classes for a better understanding of what our engineering clients deal with daily. I cannot recommend these courses highly enough for anyone in a similar capacity, or for any young designer! Daniel is a terrifically qualified, experienced and approachable instructor, and I looked forward to each week! Bonus – if you get stuck on an assignment, you can always bug Mr. Murphy at a Chapter meeting. 😊 Check out <https://www.uclaextension.edu/engineering/aerospace-mechanical-engineering/certificate/plumbing-systems-design> for additional details.

Happy Spring – looking forward to seeing everyone on Tax Day!

Jessica Wozniak
Vice President, Legislative
ASPE Phoenix Chapter
jessica.wozniak@mpsw.com



vice president, MEMBERSHIP
HOLLY BRUNS - MAINLINE SALES

Spring has hit here in the SW for sure- Last week we probably had the most amazing weather for our ASPE Phoenix Chapter Annual Golf Tournament.

First, I want to Thank each and everyone of you that came out to join us. Such a blast and so good to see so many people supporting and networking within the Plumbing and Mechanical Industry on a beautiful spring day.

I would also like to say a **BIG THANK YOU** to all of the sponsors. We are all amazed by the support we received and sold out in such a short time frame. Very much appreciated to all.

April 15th is our next meeting- hope to see everyone out for a nice outdoor lunch and presentation on Siphonic Drains -

ASPE PHOENIX CHAPTER WELCOMES [Kevin Vock](#) FROM [Zurn Elkay Water Solutions](#)

Agenda for “Introduction to Siphonic Drainage”

Topics to cover:

- 1) Basic Principles & History of Siphonic Drainage**
- 2) Examples**
- 3) Methods of sizing**
- 4) Structural Considerations**
- 5) Architectural Considerations**
- 6) Civil & Environmental Considerations**
- 7) Mechanical Considerations**
- 8) Code Compliance**
- 9) Methods of Installation**
- 10) Summary of Savings**

Kevin Vock

Regional Sales Manager – Southwest | Zurn Elkay

Mobile: (724) 914-5044 | Email: kevin.vock@zurn.com

Thank you all and see you April 15th

Holly Bruns

VP Membership

hbruns@mlsalesinc.com

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

April 15, 2024

Aunt Chilada's Restaurant

7330 North Dreamy Draw Drive

Phoenix, AZ 85020

11:30 - Lunch and Social

Noon - Meeting Start

