



PRESIDENT

JESSICA WOZNIAK - MPSW

I hope everyone is off to a fantastic start in 2026!

We're thrilled to be in full swing preparing for our Annual ASPE Phoenix Golf Tournament on Friday, March 20, with sponsorships and foursomes filling up quickly. This event has become a cornerstone of our chapter's year, bringing together Chapter members and industry partners for a day of networking and friendly competition.

Whether you're a seasoned golfer or just looking for an excuse to get out of the office on a beautiful March Friday, mark your calendars. Let's make this our best tournament yet!

We are continuing to enjoy record turnouts at our chapter meetings, thanks in part to our commitment to offer free attendance for Full/Engineering members. Our chapter thrives when ALL our valuable members actively participate. whether through technical sessions or social events. If you're interested in helping with the golf tournament, educational events, or membership outreach, reach out! Your energy and ideas will make ASPE Phoenix stronger.

In Society news, ASPE has released an updated version of the Plumbing Engineering Design Handbook, Volume 1, a key reference for design professionals. This revised edition incorporates the latest best practices and technical guidance to support your projects.

Visit www.aspe.org for details.

Thank you for your continued involvement and support. Let's make 2026 a year to remember!

Best wishes!

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ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

We have a crazy sports time coming up here in AZ. The Superbowl is right around the corner. Whether you watch the game, the commercials, or the Puppy Bowl it is a great excuse to get together. Waste management is coming, so who will be attending the chaos in Scottsdale? Last, but not least, is Spring Training and the spring Breakers. So what does this have to do with ASPE? Lets get together!

We should have all caught up from the holiday break. You are now crazy busy with projects. Your time is extremely valuable, and we know it. So, I ask you to take a minute and inflect on the growth of attendance, the new faces, and the knowledge that ASPE meetings offer. It is easy to say you can't make it. I ask you to really strive to



clear that 90-120 minutes to broaden your knowledge and embrace your engineering community.

February has Brian Lerkins from Zurn here to discuss Drinking Water Filtration, A Changing Landscape. PFAS is a new buzzword. He will examine the issues associated with contaminants in drinking water, the government's response to providing clean water, and innovations in point-of-use filtration systems. I hope to see many of you at the meeting.

ASPE Phoenix Golf Tournament Friday, March 20 with a 7:30AM Shotgun start. Sponsorships, individual golfers, and greenside signs are all still available while they last. We are looking for a great turn out again this year. There will be laughing, crying, and a few moments we may want to forget. Sign up and come support the ASPE Phoenix Chapter & ASPE Scholarship Fund.

Thank you for supporting ASPE Phoenix!

Jim DeLong

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MICHAEL ROGERS, CPD - HENDERSON

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Good team leadership is built on clarity, trust, and consistent support. A strong team leader sets a clear vision and communicates expectations so everyone understands how their work contributes to the shared goals. They listen actively, encourage open dialogue, and create space for team members to share ideas or concerns fluidly. Within this framework sitting at its core is respect for others. When individuals feel their perspectives matter, they are more engaged, motivated, and willing to take the initiative. The benefits of this approach can be significant. Inclusion of others strengthens the problem-solving opportunities by blending varied experiences and



thinking styles. This often leads to more innovative solutions, fostered from a collaborative team effort. That would be a “thinking outside the box” approach with a benefit for all involved. Employees are also more likely to stay where they feel a sense of belonging, and fairness with opportunities. I find this approach yields an end result that is greater than the sum of the parts. So by embracing diversity in skills, backgrounds, and viewpoints, a good team leader promotes creativity and stronger problem-solving skills. The whole team becomes more adaptable, innovative, and unified. Ultimately, good team leadership paired with inclusion of others builds a culture where everyone can grow, succeed, and contribute to the shared goals. Which to me is ultimately the end goal.

Best regards!

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ASPE Phoenix Chapter VP Legislative

VICE PRESIDENT, MEMBERSHIP

HOLLY BRUNS - MAINLINE SALES

2026 has begun and again the turnout for our chapter meetings has continued to be strong! It was amazing to see the turnout being so strong again just a few short weeks ago for our first meeting of 2026.

As I said before, we want to thank everyone that has participated and has reached out to join our Phoenix Chapter in 2025. We hope that growth continues in 2026 – we have had great success with approximately 7 new members to start the 2026 year. We supply the free food as a service to our designers and engineers, give our chapter a nod and pick up an annual membership. We are saving the average design attendee over \$315 this year if they show up for free lunch during all of our chapter meetings. The cost of a membership in the society for one year is worth \$200 and goes such a long way for our chapter as well. We hope to continue to see membership gains as we continue this new lunch initiative. And you all realize that saved lunch money can go to a membership you will have as a value for your career.



We appreciate the continued support from our local Rep Agencies, with all of us out hitting the streets and building our programs as well as the programs for our Phoenix Chapter.

We appreciate the continued Support from our local AZ Engineering firms – the knowledge and networking that happens at these meetings are for life and hopefully this assists in personal education and knowledge for projects.

If you don't follow us on LinkedIn- Please connect on Phoenix ASPE Chapter LinkedIn page. We post meeting dates and times with speaker information.

We look forward to seeing you on February 17th.

March is going to be a big month already- as we have our Annual ASPE Golf Tournament in addition to our chapter meeting on March 17th. Mark your calendars for March 20th for our golf tournament. The flyers are emailed out to our chapter members as well as on social media. If you need information- please get with Grady Lance or myself. We can answer any questions you may have.

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Professional Engineering Prospective

Where does the time go? As you are reading this, we have hit February 1st, 2026. I always get nostalgic for ASPE around this time of year. 18 years ago, I attended one event in February of 2008 with the Phoenix Chapter of ASPE as a relatively new plumbing designer – Brian Lerkins invited me to lunch and then later to the golf tournament as his guest in his foursome in March of that year. I decided after that golf tournament to join ASPE as a member. Those were the days when you signed up with pen and paper and mailed in your check and the application forms by hand. We have come a long way in a short amount of time (18 years does seem short when you are having fun!). On March 31st, it will be my 18th year of



membership in ASPE. And now the entire process is done online in about 5 minutes time! And ironically, Mr. Brian Lerkins will be our speaker this month - and I wanted to say thank you to him for introducing me to you all 18 years ago.

We would love to see all of our meeting attendees, especially our designers and professional engineers, become ASPE members. If you attend every chapter meeting in a year, you are paying out \$315 in lunch fees normally prior to our incentive to the design community (\$35 fee now times nine meetings) . The cost of an ASPE membership is \$200 per year. I think that is a fantastic deal! All that freed up lunch money can go to the cost of membership with money left over in your pockets! Need more information?

<https://aspe.org/membership-global-community/join/>. Also, if you are a member and are looking to renew, you can renew on a multi-year basis and save some money in the process as well. Looking to join at the meeting itself, Aunt Chilada's has Wi-Fi. And our great VP Membership Holly can also assist you in person during every chapter meeting with doing that very thing. It would mean so much for the Phoenix Chapter to have set the goal of having the most new memberships in the entire society by Convention time!

2026 is the year of the Oklahoma City ASPE Convention and Exposition from October 8th to the 14th. Now is the time to get these dates on your calendar and even see if you can request that time off from your supervisors. It is never too early to start thinking about attending. ASPE has created a website for this event:

expo.aspe.org. On the website currently, there is information on signing up for updates, requesting booths and the open call for presentations.

Some of you also may have noticed that on Thursday January 22nd, two emails went out regarding the Society Board of Directors applications being open for the 2026 Convention election cycles. This was first sent out as a standalone message, and then later as a part of the ASPE Pipeline. It is never too early to think about starting that application, I have been working on mine for a while and only need a few more documents to add to it before it goes to our CEO Billy Smith for the next steps. The link was shared in the email but I share it here:

https://aspe.org/wpcontent/uploads/2026_BOD_Application.pdf?_zs=AMwia&_zl=kRcn4. All the responsibilities of the position, the

requirements of each position as far as credentials and the like are all in the Operations and Procedures manual that you have access to as a member thru your account online. Deadline for all applications is **June 17th, 2026**. If you are a fellow professional engineer reading this, you already qualify for all positions. CPDs are also encouraged to run for board positions including Society President. You must be either a CPD or PE for most positions and we have plenty of chapter members that are one or the other, or even both (like yours truly).

Remember that we are offering free lunch opportunities to designers and engineers in the plumbing design consulting field at our monthly chapter meetings. You can pre-register at www.aspephx.com. Some people are saying that they are having difficulty pre-registering. **You can pre-register without paying as one of the options during electronic registration online**. Keeping in mind that you will not have to pay at the meeting if you do design once you check in at the front. Any questions on this, please reach out to any board member and we can help.

We have a lot of great events coming your way here in 2026, including the ASPE Phoenix Chapter Golf tournament on March 20th out at Legacy Golf Resort. We are already taking reservations for foursomes, sponsorships and the like. The flyer is now live on www.aspephx.com. Now is the time to request that day off from work, get the clubs out of the back of your closet and get to the driving range for some practice. Usually, our affiliates are very eager to fill foursomes, so keep your eyes and ears peeled as to who you may be able to golf with shortly!

Be blessed, be safe and be well. CARPE DIEM.

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Please Join Us

**ASPE PHOENIX CHAPTER
2026 SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**Friday, March 20, 2026
7:30 AM Shotgun**

**The Legacy Golf Club
6808 S. 32nd St. Phoenix, AZ 85042**

*Breakfast * Drinks * Lunch * Awards * Raffles*

*** CUSTOM HAT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS ***

Prizes for 1st 2nd 3rd Place Teams

**Longest Drive * Closest to Pin * Drone Drop * Beat the Pro
Fastest Hole Played * Toilet Drive * Closest To The Gift Basket
(Hit It You Win It)**

Prizes for Best Dressed Themed Foursome (\$50.00 Each)

SPONSORSHIPS

Stainless Sponsor **5 Available** \$2,250.00

- Foursome
- Tee Box Sign for Your Company
- Your Company Staff on the Tee Box
- Company Recognition Throughout

Golf Ball Sponsor (1 available) \$2,500.00

- Foursome
- **SOLD - NOT AVAILABLE**
- Company Recognition Throughout

Bronze Sponsor (5 available) \$2,000.00

- Foursome
- Tee Box Sign for Your Company
- Sponsor Recognition for Contest Hole (Longest Drive, Closest to Pin, etc.)
- Company Recognition Throughout

Morning Bar Sponsor (1 available) \$2,500.00

- Foursome
- Company Sign at Patio Bar
- Feel Free to Provide Logo Cups
- Company Recognition Throughout

Copper Sponsor (3 available) \$1,750.00

- Foursome
- Tee Box Sign for Your Company
- Company Recognition Throughout

Breakfast Sponsor (1 available) \$2,500.00

- Foursome
- Company Sign at Patio Breakfast
- Feel Free to Provide Logo Items (Cups, Plates, or Napkins)
- Company Recognition Throughout

Drone Drop Sponsor (1 available) \$2,500.00

- Foursome
- Drone Will Be Dropping Tee Balls (Potential Team Hole-In-One!)
- Logo on Drone Launch Pad
- Your Company Staff on the Tee Box
- Tee Box Sign for Your Company

Awards Lunch Sponsor (1 available) \$2,750.00

- Foursome
- **SOLD - NOT AVAILABLE**
- Company recognition throughout

Foursome Only \$1,250.00

Greenside Sponsor (8 available) \$1,375.00

- Foursome
- Greenside Sign for Your Company

Single Player Only
\$375.00

Greenside Signage Only
\$375.00

Lunch Only
\$65.00

SIGN UP CONTACT & PAYMENT:

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NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

February 17th, 2026

Aunt Chilada's Restaurant
7330 North Dreamy Draw Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85020

11:30 - Lunch and Social

Noon - Meeting Start

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