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BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORTS



INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

By Vincent P. Gallo IV (WI)

Dear Members of ASSE International,

The gratitude that I have for our organization goes beyond any experience I have had during my professional career. The group of individuals that make this society function has put in their expertise from their chosen field and make a difference in everyday life. I thank you all for stepping up to the plate to take your swing at the issues presented and coming up with solutions. It is truly a team effort.

My goal as ASSE International President, set at last year's Annual Meeting, was to bring along someone new to the organization that has the passion to participate and improve on what has been handed to us from the generations of members that came before. I hope those that participated in the Mid-Year Meeting had the opportunity to hear Pat Casey's presentation on the history of ASSE, with a heavy bend to Wisconsin. Pat has spent countless hours researching history and has had discussions with me about the past presidents, officers and members of ASSE. I take the gravity of my responsibility as ASSE President very seriously and want to do justice to their legacy.

I want to thank the Board of Directors for their dedication, leadership and participation. When asked to chair a committee, they have stepped up without hesitation. This has made my job easier when we do have the need. Our goal is to grow and bring new members into our society so we too can look back one day and say that we have helped our communities, our industry and our next generation.

My very best to all of you.

VICE PRESIDENT

By Chris Cheek (NY)

I would like to express my admiration and enthusiastic support for the ongoing growth and bright future of ASSE International. Over the past several years, ASSE has not only expanded its reach and influence, but has also solidified its reputation as a critical pillar in the protection of public health and safety through its commitment to standards development, education, and professional certification.

Under the capable and visionary leadership of our current ASSE President, the society has accelerated its evolution—embracing new technologies, expanding training programs, and promoting the highest standards of safety and competence in the plumbing, mechanical, and water quality industries. The President's forward-thinking approach and deep commitment to the ASSE mission have fostered unprecedented collaboration across trades, regulators, and educators, ensuring that ASSE remains at the forefront of innovation and integrity.

From expanding certification opportunities in emerging fields like hydrogen gas installation to strengthening global partnerships, ASSE is not only adapting to the needs of the 21st century, it is helping shape the future of safe water and sanitation systems worldwide. The society's dedication to supporting a skilled and educated workforce continues to have a meaningful impact on the industries we serve and the communities we protect.

As we look to the future, I have full confidence that ASSE's momentum will only continue to build. With the strong leadership at its helm, and the unwavering support of its members, partners, and stakeholders, ASSE is poised to continue setting the benchmark for safety, quality, and excellence.

TREASURER

By Douglas A. Marian, FASSE (CA)

The 2025 Annual Meeting is upon us and as in the past, ASSE financial budget continues to show growth and profit and not only meet but surpass all expectations. Of course, this would not be possible without the hard work of our exceptional ASSE staff, who continuously strive to keep ASSE at the forefront of our industry. The volunteer leadership of ASSE, President Vince Gallo and my fellow Board of Directors continue to collaborate with ASSE staff on new directions and opportunities that help grow ASSE and enhance the industry we serve. I wish to commend the volunteer committee members who dedicate their personal time and expertise while working to make a difference in our industry and ASSE International.

On a personal note, I want to thank the membership for enabling me to serve as their Treasurer once again. I am also announcing my retirement from the ASSE Board of Directors, I will not be seeking reelection this coming year.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the ASSE staff, boots on the ground, the personnel that carry out the day to day with amazing professionalism along with the IAPMO staff whose tremendous support enables all of us to be successful. I wish everyone a great Annual Meeting this year in Palm Springs, CA.

INTERNATIONAL PAST PRESIDENT

By Daniel Rademacher, FASSE (MAL)

As we close out another remarkable year, it is with great appreciation that we reflect on the leadership and lasting contributions of the membership of ASSE International. ASSE International advanced its mission to protect public health and safety through rigorous standards development, professional certification, and industry collaboration. The vision helped steer the organization through evolving industry challenges, while commitment to stakeholders' engagement fostered greater unity across our diverse membership. The foundation you helped solidify continues to support innovation and growth across all ASSE programs.

ASSE strengthened its national and international presence, expanded its certification offerings, and reinforced its role as a respected voice in code development and public safety advocacy. Membership dedicated to mentorship and professional excellence left a lasting impression on both the Board and the broader plumbing and mechanical communities. As we look ahead to the future, we do so with gratitude for membership leadership and with confidence in the legacy established—one built on integrity, collaboration, and unwavering service to the industry.

WESTERN REGION A

By Brian M. Andersen (CA)

2025 has been a year of new ideas and collaboration for the Western Region. I am pleased to deliver the Western Region “A” Director’s Report including the Arizona chapter, California chapter, Nevada chapter, Northern California chapter, Pacific Northwest chapter and Rocky Mountain chapters as well as members-at-large living in the Western Region (AK, AL, CA, CO, HI, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT and WA).

My focus, since I became your Western Region Director, has been and will continue to be supporting the members and the chapters. In conjunction with ASSE staff, we are working on ensuring that members are well represented and that chapters have the tools that they need to operate in the tradition of the motto “Prevention Rather Than Cure.” Providing value for your membership dollar is at the forefront of our minds.

In Southern California, July brought a co-located meeting of the ASSE California chapter and the UPPA of Long Beach, CA IAPMO chapter. It was a great meeting with an excellent discussion and insight from multiple perspectives. We will continue with this model at as many meetings as possible in an effort to bring fellowship of like-minded people together and provide as much value as possible to the many chapter meetings happening throughout our region.

I can’t sign off without expressing my appreciation to President Gallo, ASSE staff, fellow board members and of course, the membership. Without industry consensus and participation from the members, ASSE would not have the success that we enjoy today.

Go to a meeting, join a working group, ask a question, take a class, explain a process to someone that may be afraid to engage... Whatever you decide to do, get involved.

WESTERN REGION B

By Vince Kacaba (Canada)

I am pleased to present the Director’s Report for the West/Canadian Region of ASSE International. ASSE now has its first chapter in Canada, the Canada chapter, which encompasses the entire country. Currently, there are 28 members in this chapter, with work taking place to increase the numbers across the country. The first major breakthrough we have seen came after intense lobbying. The ASSE 12000 Water Management and Infection Control Risk Assessment for Building Systems training is now required by the government of New Brunswick for anyone working on cooling towers. This creates a framework to replicate across the country, ensuring that qualified individuals are working on equipment that can have an impact on the health of the general public.

We are eagerly anticipating the approval of the second Canadian chapter, the Ontario chapter, which will represent members located in the province. I anticipate that once the chapter is officially recognized, there will be an influx of members into the ASSE family, as southern Ontario has a number of Local organizations delivering ASSE programs. With the official recognition of the Ontario ASSE chapter, I expect that we will be able to expand the amount of Cross-Connection training taking place, as the AWWA has a solid foothold in the area at present. In addition to backflow training, we will be looking to implement the ASSE 12000 Infection Control and Water Quality and ASSE 13000 Service Plumber training courses over the next year to provide contractors in our area with the certified personnel that they require to carry out the contracts they have committed to.

There is a wealth of opportunity within Canada for ASSE. I am proud to have been able to guide my Local organization toward a closer relationship with ASSE over the past decade and a half and look forward to helping to facilitate further relationships in the coming years as a Board member. I would like to thank the ASSE Staff and Board of Directors for their unwavering support of our initiatives within Canada, as it is a relationship that will benefit all involved.

SOUTHERN REGION A & B

By Joe Cooper, Director A (CTX) &
Donald (DJ) Berger, Director B (LA)

The ASSE International Southern Region consists of the Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Central Texas, Texas, and Texas Gulf Coast Chapters. The ASSE Southern Region has a combined membership of one hundred forty-one members.

The Region's Texas Chapters have been continuing to promote the ASSE Standard 12000 Water Management and Infection Control Risk Assessment for Building Services and the ASSE Standard 6000 Professional Qualifications Standard for Medical Gas Systems Personnel throughout Texas. IAPMO and ASSE International have worked to support legislation in Texas that would allow the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to recognize ASSE certifications. Time ran out on this legislative session, but the ASSE Texas Chapters will continue to encourage the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation TCEQ (TDLR-TCEQ) to recognize the ASSE Series 5000 Cross-Connection Control Professional Qualifications Standard for backflow installations and certifications. The promotion of these standards enhances the safety of workers and the public at large.

While serving as your Southern Region Directors for the past year, we have been able to participate in all ASSE Board of Directors meetings and will continue to reach out to all the Southern Region Chapter Leaders to help with expanding membership, increasing interest, and promoting safe plumbing through ASSE's philosophy of "prevention rather than cure."

We wish to acknowledge the ASSE Staff, Board of Directors, and all ASSE Committee Members for their commitment to the development of ASSE Standards and the continual growth of ASSE International, as well as all ASSE Southern Region Members for their continued support of the organization.

It has been an honor to serve as your ASSE Southern Region Directors and to be associated with such a great organization.

CENTRAL REGION A & B

By Brianne Hall, Director A (MI) &
Kevin McDonough, Director B (MO)

The Central Region includes the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Wyoming. All At Large Members residing in these states are also part of the Central Region. Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin have active chapters in the Central Region. The Central Region has a total of 316 members.

The Central Region Directors have reached out to the chapter presidents within the region throughout the year to provide updates from the Board of Directors meetings and to provide assistance as needed to the chapters with increasing membership and promoting chapter activities.

At the 2024 ASSE Annual Meeting, Chicago Chapter President Joseph Sowa accepted the Dewey R. Dedrick Jr. Award for outstanding chapter performance on behalf of the Chicago Chapter.

We are very grateful to the Central Region members and chapters of ASSE International for allowing us to represent you. We hope to continue to improve communication with the chapters during the upcoming year and look forward to seeing members at the Annual Meeting.

CENTRAL REGION DIRECTOR A — Thank you to the ASSE International members, Board of Directors and Staff for the opportunity to represent this organization. It has been a privilege to serve as region director with Kevin McDonough. I look forward to continuing to serve the Central Region Chapters and Members at Large during the upcoming year. — Brianne Hall

CENTRAL REGION DIRECTOR B — I am honored to introduce myself as the newly appointed representative for the Central Region. My name is Kevin McDonough, and I've had the privilege of working in our industry for over 34 years. Throughout this time, I've gained valuable experience and insight, and I'm truly excited for the opportunity to share that knowledge. Representing the Central Region is a responsibility I take seriously. I look forward to listening, learning, and advocating on your behalf as we continue to uphold the highest standards in our organization. Thank you for your trust and support. I'm excited about what we can achieve together. — Kevin McDonough

NORTHEASTERN REGION A

By Gregory Beck (PA)

Two years ago, I had the distinct honor of being elected by the ASSE International to represent the northeastern region of the United States comprised of Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and Members-at-Large (who live in these listed States) to serve along with Co-Director, Doreen Cannon. This opportunity has been one of the most rewarding and transformative experiences of my professional career. The privilege to serve within such a respected and impactful organization has opened doors I never imagined and allowed me to contribute to the advancement of our industry in meaningful ways.

Since my election, I have remained steadfast in my commitment to strengthening and enhancing the ASSE organization, not just at the regional level, but on a national and international scale. My primary focus has been on advancing ASSE's mission, upholding our guiding principles, and ensuring that we remain a beacon of innovation, professionalism, and progress within the field of sanitary engineering.

Throughout my tenure, I have witnessed firsthand how ASSE continues to serve as a source of hope, inspiration, and unity, especially during times of government and economic uncertainties. These challenges have underscored the importance of our work and highlighted the critical role that sanitation and public health professionals play in safeguarding society. In the face of adversity, our members have shown unwavering resilience and a shared determination to uphold our long-standing motto: "Prevention Rather Than a Cure."

Serving on the board and various ASSE committees has provided me with a deeper understanding of the organization's internal workings and the incredible dedication that drives its success. Our collective efforts have led to measurable progress on a number of fronts, including membership growth, certification programs, industry standards, and product listings. None of this would have been possible without strong leadership, and I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our Immediate Past President, Daniel Rademacher and our current president, Vince Gallo IV. Their guidance, vision, and steady hands have kept us focused and united through unprecedented times.

In the Northeastern Region, we have made notable strides in fostering growth and engagement. The New York Chapter continues to thrive through regular meetings, engaging guest speakers, and enriching activities designed to support professional development and camaraderie among members. Efforts continue to revitalize the Pennsylvania Chapter under the leadership of a newly elected board.

Looking ahead, I am filled with enthusiasm for what the future holds. My passion for ASSE and its mission has only deepened over the past two years. I remain more committed than ever to promoting growth, fostering collaboration, and ensuring that our organization remains at the forefront of innovation and excellence in sanitary engineering. The future of ASSE is incredibly promising, and I would be honored to play a role in shaping its next chapter.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

NORTHEASTERN REGION B

By Doreen Cannon (NOH)

It has been a pleasure to work with the other ASSE International Board Members over the last year. What an amazing and dedicated group it is. I am particularly proud of the work the board has done to continually revise the ASSE Product and Professional Qualifications Standards.

Thank you to President Vince Gallo for his direction of the board this past year and to the board members for their dedication to continuing the high standards of ASSE.

Thank you to the ASSE staff for all their help and dedication over the last year, and I look forward to continuing the work the current board has started to promote ASSE and increase its membership.

MANUFACTURERS' REPRESENTATIVE

By Thomas Lentine (NY)

The 2024 ASSE International Annual Meeting took place in Portland, Maine. The Manufacturers' Forum was held on October 10, with six manufacturers in attendance along with several members of the ASSE staff. Following updates on new and revised standards and certifications, the floor was opened for questions and discussion.

One key topic raised was the potential for a combined listing process between ASSE and IAPMO. Manufacturers expressed interest in this approach as it could reduce duplicative efforts related to applications, audits, testing, and ongoing maintenance. Staff responded that several steps would be required to explore this option, including modifying application processes and harmonizing facility inspection procedures. Work on this initiative is not expected to advance until the rollout of the new ASSE Product Certification database, MYPLC, which is targeted for release in 2025.

In addition to this discussion, manufacturers recognized the organization's achievement in having zero standards older than five years. There were also numerous compliments extended to the ASSE staff for their exceptional support and responsiveness to manufacturers' needs.

The 2025 Mid-Year Meeting was held in Madison, Wisconsin; however, a Manufacturers' Forum was not conducted during that event.

As 2025 marks the final year of my term as Manufacturers' Representative on the ASSE Board of Directors, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to serve. It has been a privilege to work alongside such a dedicated group of volunteers and professionals. I extend my thanks to each Board member and to the ASSE staff, whose talent and commitment continue to strengthen this organization.

MEMORIAL SERVICE & QUARTER CENTURY CLUB REPORTS



MEMORIAL SERVICE

The memorial list below is comprised of members whose death we became aware of during the past year.

Jeff Lowder — Member-at-Large Chapter, 1958-2024

John Nussbaum — Michigan Chapter, 1932-2025

Justin Walters — California Chapter, 1983-2025

QUARTER CENTURY CLUB

TWENTY-FIVE YEAR MEMBERS

David Maxwell — Central Ohio Chapter

THIRTY-FIVE YEAR MEMBERS

Richard A. Coppola — Pennsylvania Chapter

Michael Scherer — Illinois Chapter

Carl Staff — Member-at-Large Chapter

FIFTY-YEAR MEMBERS

Tang Fook Choy — International Chapter

COMMITTEE REPORTS



AWARDS

By Richard J. Prospal, IPP, FASSE (NOH), Chairperson

The 2025 Awards Committee has the following members – Richard Prospal-Chair (NOH), Chris Cheek (CA), Brianne Hall, PE (MI), and Doug Marian (CA).

No award nominations were received at the office from the membership. The Board of Directors put forth a suggested list of names for the various awards at their July meeting. The Awards Committee will review and act upon the Board's selections.

The annual awards include: The Henry B. Davis Award, annually awarded to one member who has contributed the most toward the advancement of sanitary engineering in accordance with the ideals of ASSE International; The Rand Ackroyd Award, awarded to an individual who has expressed a thorough knowledge and true dedication to the ASSE backflow program, or the backflow and associated industry, by their efforts in protecting our drinking water through cross-connection control and education; The Patrick J. Higgins Award, awarded to an individual for outstanding contributions in the field of plumbing codes and standards and their adoption into the codes; The Fellow (FASSE) Award, presented to a candidate that has been a dues-paying member in good standing for a minimum of five years, and has served in an exemplary manner as an officer, regional director or committee person for more than five years at either the chapter or national level.

The Awards Committee has reviewed the nominations and the 2025 recipients of these awards will be announced at the Annual Meeting Awards Ceremony

The 2024 recipients were:

- Henry B. Davis Award — Joseph Fernandez
- Rand Ackroyd Award — Brannon Baxter
- Patrick J. Higgins Award — DJ Berger
- Salvatore J Farruggia Award — Jason Shank and Vince Gallo
- Dewey R Dedrick Jr. Award — Illinois Chapter
- Fellow (FASSE) Award — Joseph Cooper and Dan Rademacher

BYLAWS

By Joe Cooper (CTX), Chairperson

The Bylaws Committee members that were appointed by the International President Vince Gallo IV; Joe Cooper - Chair, Doreen Cannon, Dana Colombo, Richard Fuess, Vince Kacaba, Jason Shank, and Don Summers, are responsible for reviewing proposed bylaw revisions and for confirming the format for publication and consideration by the membership at the 2025 Annual Meeting.

According to the current bylaws, the Bylaws Committee shall be a standing committee consisting of a minimum of five people. Proposed deletions, revisions or additions to the bylaws must be submitted to the Principal Office on or before June 1st of the current year. The proponent of a change must include justification for the proposal. Proposed changes shall be accepted only by members in good standing. If the Bylaws Committee, in collaboration with staff, determines that proposed changes are not in conflict with IAPMO or ASSE bylaws, governing documents or policies, the change will be brought to the membership for consideration at the Annual Meeting. The Principal Office shall announce the proposed changes on the website and/or in ASSE publications at least 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Proponents were required to submit proposed revisions to the ASSE International bylaws by the required June 1st, 2025, deadline for the 2025 Annual Meeting. The Bylaws Committee did not receive any proposed revisions to the ASSE International bylaws. Considering past practices of the Society, the Committee recommends publication and consideration of the report at the 2025 Annual Meeting.

CODE DEVELOPMENT

By Jason Shank, FASSE (NOH), Chairperson

This past year, the Code Development Committee has put in many hours to represent ASSE Standards uniformly in the Model Codes. I would like to thank the Committee Members and Staff for their many hours of research, debate and support for this important process. I would also like to thank the Model Codes we dealt with this past year (UPC and IPC) for their donations of materials and assistance working through the code development processes.

The committee met multiple times remotely throughout the year to discuss proposals and full reviews of Model Codes. The Board approved having Jason Shank represent ASSE's proposals along with support and non-support of other proposals at both the IPC and UPC Code Hearings. As the reach and size of the committee has grown, the ASSE Board approved some structural and operational changes to the Committee.

CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL (5000) TECHNICAL

By Vincent P. Gallo IV (WI), Chairperson

The Cross-Connection Control Technical Committee has been as busy as ever in the past year. The Mid-Year Meeting had a very good attendance, and the committee continues to grow. Working groups have started to hold meetings for the continued improvement of product standards. ASSE 1012, Backflow Preventers with an Intermediate Atmospheric Vent, is in the working group stage and as of the writing of this report, has had its first meeting.

We are moving toward ANSI accreditation, so thank you to those that have participated in the process. The Guidelines continue to be worked on, and your participation is crucial going forward. We continue to discuss what experience in the industry really is and what it means.

I am thankful for the committee members that take the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the meetings. Remember the importance of the work we do to protect the health and safety of the public.

ELECTIONS

By Dana A. Colombo IPP, FASSE (LA), Chairperson

The Election Committee members, Dana A. Colombo - Chair, Brian Andersen, DJ Berger, Chris Cheek and Don Summers, reviewed the nomination forms submitted for officers and regional directors for election during the upcoming ASSE annual meeting that were received at the ASSE office prior to the stated deadline. All nomination forms are in order and the committee finds, by unanimous support, that they are complete, accurate and meet the requirements of the ASSE bylaws.

Positions to be filled are as follows:

President — Vincent Gallo

Vice President — Chris Cheek

Treasurer — Jason Shank

Northeastern Region Director — John Sullivan

Western Region Director — Brian Andersen

Manufacturers Rep — A nominee will be selected by the manufacturers in attendance during the Manufacturers Forum meeting at the ASSE Annual Meeting; a nomination form was received in the ASSE International office for Mark Estrella.

All open positions can be nominated from the floor; they must be accompanied by the proper forms at the time of nomination.

FIRE PROTECTION (15000/27000) TECHNICAL

By Jeffrey Van Rhyn, Jr. (NV), Chairperson

Committee members: Derek Miles – Co-Chairperson, Kevin Convy, Joseph Franks, Christopher Fulkerson, Ron George, Kevin Hall, John Holmes, Gary Koenig, Mike Masterson, Andrew Merino, Stephen Miller, John Morley, Michael Moss, Philip Roach, Matt Rouleau, Kenneth Schneider, Steve Steele, Jason Thompson, and Kathleen Huttner.

The ASSE Fire Protection Technical Committee is pleased to report another year of continued growth, development, and engagement in support of the Series 15000 and Series 27000 certification programs. At the 2024 ASSE International Annual Meeting in Portland, ME, the Fire Protection Technical Committee formally established three standing subcommittees for the ongoing advancement of the fire protection certification programs. They are:

- Application Review Subcommittee- Responsible for reviewing and approving applications from schools, instructors, and proctors seeking ASSE authorization. This subcommittee plays a vital role in upholding the standards and integrity of both certification programs.
- Test Development Subcommittee- Responsible for the creation and maintenance of exam content for the 15000 and 27000 certification programs.
- Program Guidelines Subcommittee- Charged with reviewing and refining the guidelines that govern both certification programs.

SERIES 15000 CERTIFICATION — Following the successful release of the revised Series 15000 Standard last year, the Fire Protection Technical Committee has focused this year on maintaining alignment between the certification exam content and the latest editions of referenced NFPA standards. The Test Development Subcommittee met over the summer to update the 15000 exam question banks to reflect the current editions of NFPA 11, 13, 20, 24, and 750. These updates ensure that the certification exam remains accurate, relevant, and consistent with industry expectations.

In tandem, the Program Guidelines Subcommittee has undertaken a comprehensive review and update of the 15010 Fire Protection Field Technician Certification Guidelines. These revisions are designed to improve clarity, structure, consistency, and compliance across all aspects of the program. Key changes include reorganizing sections for better flow, consolidating recertification procedures, and centralizing exam-related content. Roles and responsibilities for instructors, proctors, and facilitators were clarified, along with policies for off-site training and exam administration. Additional updates aligned the guidelines with new certification eligibility requirements in the revised Series 15000 Standard.

SERIES 27000 CERTIFICATION — The Series 27000 certification program continues to gain momentum. The test protocols for this certification have been finalized and implemented. A progress report, including the number of individuals certified and the number of currently approved schools, will be presented at the Fire Protection Technical Committee Meeting held during the ASSE International Annual Meeting in Palm Springs, CA.

LOOKING AHEAD — The Fire Protection Technical Committee remains dedicated to advancing fire protection training and credentialing through rigorous standards, consistent oversight, and collaborative engagement. The efforts of our newly established subcommittees have laid a strong foundation for continued progress in the years ahead.

We thank all committee members, subcommittee participants, and stakeholders for their commitment and contributions throughout the year.

INFECTION CONTROL (12000) TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

By Joe Fernandez (FL), Chairperson

First, I'd like to begin by thanking each person on the technical committee for all of their hard work and dedication. I'm happy to report that due to their dedication, strides were made this past year to improve the ASSE 12000 series of professional qualifications, Water Management and Infection Control Risk Assessment for Building Systems.

The 12010, 12020, 12061, 12062, and 12063 sub-committees met multiple times to review test items within the item banks. All questions have been reviewed and updated in the system.

Unfortunately, due to low enrollment 12061, 12062, and 12063 will not be offered at the 2025 UA Instructor Training Program. However, it will continue to be offered during UA Regional Training.

As we look down the road, we have exciting new industry opportunities for the 12000 professional qualifications. Scott Hamilton has been conducting classes and presentations for medical facilities throughout the state of Louisiana. Thank you, Scott!

The series 12000 Standard Professional Qualifications Standard for Water Management and Infection Control Risk Assessment for Building Systems continues to evolve, along with our ICRA standards (12010, 12020, 12025), and two Air Quality standards (12050, 12051), four Water Quality standards (12060, 12061, 12062, 12063), and Legionella Water Safety and Management Specialist (12080). All these standards now have their own sub-committees and chair within the 12000 series.

We look forward to continuing the roll out of the program at conventions, trade shows and to the healthcare industry.

As always, the committee members need to be thanked for their time and efforts. Your knowledge of the industry makes you experts in your field. With your help, this ASSE 12000 series is a true value addition to the citizens of all countries. Thank you very much!

I look forward to seeing you all at our Annual Meeting!

MEMBERSHIP

By Brianne N. Hall, PE, CPD, ASSE 6060 (MI), Chairperson

The ASSE International Membership Committee is focused on discovering opportunities to improve membership benefits and increase membership recruitment and engagement. I appreciate the contributions and efforts of the membership committee: Brannon Baxter, Chris Cheek, Vince Gallo, Vince Kacaba, Tom Lentine, Derek Miles, Nicole Parker and Don Summers. Thank you to ASSE Staff, specifically Alex Gonzalez, Tricia Megee, Ben Ryan and Pedro Esquivel for supporting ASSE membership and the committee efforts.

The quarterly education seminars, provided to members at no cost, have continued over the last year. The list below includes the topics presented:

1. Understanding ASSE Technical Committees by John Higdon — October 2024
2. Plumbing and Legionella by Bruce Meiners — March 2025
3. The Benefits of ASSE: To The AHJ and the AHJ's Role with ASSE by Scott Hamilton — June 2025
4. IWSH in Action: Changing Lives Through Plumbing by Robyn Fischer — August 2025

The following quarterly education seminars are available on the ASSE Membership Portal:

1. Plumbing and Legionella by Bruce Meiners
2. The Benefits of ASSE: To The AHJ and the AHJ's Role with ASSE by Scott Hamilton
3. Beyond Gray Water: Direct Potable Reuse for Residential Buildings by Dr. Markus Lenger
4. The Proper Installation and Use of Chemical Dispensing Equipment by Sean Cleary
5. Understanding ASSE Technical Committees by John Higdon
6. Unlocking ASSE Working Groups: A dive into collaboration and impact by John Higdon.

The ASSE membership portal also allows members to update their contact information, review invoices and past orders. The committee is continuing to work on additional content to add to the portal to benefit members.

The membership committee will be meeting during the ASSE Annual Meeting in Palm Springs; your attendance is encouraged. The committee welcomes all feedback and suggestions.

This report reflects membership from September 1, 2024 – August 15, 2025.

Chapter	Total Membership	New Members
Arizona (AZ)	17	2
California (CA)	256	197
Canada (CAN)	29	26
Central Ohio (COH)	8	2
Central Texas (CTX)	15	2
Florida (FL)	39	14
Georgia (GA)	11	4
Illinois (IL)	71	5
International (Int'l)	16	7
Louisiana (LA)	11	1
Member-at-Large (MAL)	242	61
Michigan (MI)	39	9
Minnesota (MN)	21	2
Missouri (MO)	26	4
Nevada (NV)	7	0
New York (NY)	71	18
Northern California (CA.N)	16	3

Chapter	Total Membership	New Members
Northern Ohio (NOH)	25	2
Oklahoma (OK)	4	0
Oklahoma City (OKC)	12	3
Pacific Northwest (PNW)	25	3
Pennsylvania (PA)	53	8
Rocky Mountain (RM)	13	4
Texas Gulf Coast (TGC)	21	3
Texas (TX)	10	2
Wisconsin (WI)	159	58
	1217	428
2024 Membership	1019	

2025 showed an increase of 198 members.

NFPA SUB-COMMITTEE

By Jeffrey Van Rhyn, Jr. (NV), Chairperson

Committee members: Derek Miles - Co-Chairperson, Brannon Baxter, Greg Beck, DJ Berger, Charles Berra, Joseph Franks, Christopher Fulkerson, Kevin Hall, John Holmes, Charles Ketner, Kevin McDonough, Stephen Miller, Michael Moss, Daniel Rademacher, Philip Roach, Kenneth Schneider, Jason Shank, and Scott Hamilton.

The NFPA Subcommittee continues to serve in an advisory capacity under the ASSE Code Development Committee (CDC) to the ASSE International Board of Directors. The subcommittee's core mission remains to develop proposed code language, review and respond to changes within NFPA codes, provide a platform for public and member engagement, and offer ongoing communication of code-related information that involves or impacts ASSE standards. Recommendations from this group help pave the way for ASSE International's inclusion into NFPA codes and standards.

Over the past year, the NFPA Subcommittee has explored new opportunities to reference ASSE Professional Qualification (PQ) Standards within NFPA documents. While this effort is a strategic priority, it is also recognized as a long-term goal due to the NFPA's formal code cycle and consensus standards development process. Progress in this area will take time and persistence, but the subcommittee is committed to this work as an ongoing initiative.

We continue to seek additional members, particularly those with direct experience in the NFPA Health Care Facilities Code (NFPA 99), who can bring valuable insight and expertise to the committee. Participation in this subcommittee offers a meaningful opportunity to help shape ASSE International's influence within the NFPA code development landscape and support its mission to advance safety, competence, and professionalism in the industry.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the current NFPA Subcommittee members for their ongoing dedication, expertise, and hard work. Their efforts play a vital role in ensuring that ASSE's voice is represented within the NFPA code development process, and their continued commitment helps drive the long-term goals of this important initiative forward.

PRODUCT STANDARDS

By Tsan-Liang Su, Ph.D. (NY), Chairperson

The 2025 ASSE Product Standard Committee (PSC) has 35 members including 20 primary members, 5 alternate voting members, 8 observers and 2 non-voting members (i.e., ASSE staff liaison). The 25 primary and alternate members hold expertise in the fields of manufacturer, general interest, research/testing lab, enforcing authority and consumer.

Two (2) new members were added to the committee, and they are:

- Vince Kacaba, Installer/Maintainer
- James Majerowicz, Installer/Maintainer

Anthony Menafro, State of NJ Department of Community Affairs, was anonymously elected as Vice Chair of the Product Standards Committee.

We have had a very productive year for the PSC. Since the last annual meeting, we have had 13 standards fully revised and published: ASSE 1004-2024, ASSE 1011-2023, ASSE 1017-2023, ASSE 1018-2023, ASSE 1019-2023, ASSE 1044-2023, ASSE 1052-2023, ASSE 1057-2023, ASSE 1079-2024, ASSE 1086-2025, ASSE 1098-2024, ASSE 1103-2024 and ASSE 1379-2024.

Five standards were reaffirmed and published:

ASSE 1002-2020[R2025], ASSE 1016-2020[R2025], ASSE 1037-2020[R2025], ASSE 1053-2019[R2023], and ASSE 1070-2020[R2025].

We also have had 9 standards that were reaffirmed but have not been published yet:

ASSE 1008-2020, ASSE 1020-2020, ASSE 1023-2020, ASSE 1035-2020, ASSE 1060-2020, ASSE 1072-2020, ASSE 1081-R2020 and ASSE 1090-2020.

Currently, there are two standards on the ballot for approval by the committee:

ASSE 1013 and ASSE 1064, respectively.

The working groups have worked diligently throughout the year and currently, there are four standards on the table for discussion:

ASSE 1015, ASSE 1088, ASSE 1118, and ASSE 1378.

At present, we have five Listing Evaluation Criteria (LEC) standards with status as follows:

- LEC 2006 — Point-of-entry Reverse Osmosis Devices. To be superseded by ASSE 1391 and a working group is set to start in the 3rd quarter of 2025.
- LEC 2008 — Point of Entry Anion Exchange - Nitrate Reduction. To be superseded by ASSE 1378. Draft to be Balloted by PSC.
- LEC 2009 — Backflow Preventer and Automatic Boiler or Chiller Filling Device with Pressure Regulating Management. To be withdrawn.
- LEC 2010 - Proportional Flow Control Devices with Protection from Cross Contamination via Hydronic Water for use in Drinking Water Installations. Expires Oct. 2025. Replaced by ASSE 1379.
- LEC 2011 — Legionella Reduction and Treatment Devices. Expires September 2027. To be superseded by ASSE 1119. WG to form 3rd quarter 2025

There are two open projects currently: ASSE 1072 and ASSE 1087.

There are six new working groups that have been formed since the last annual meeting:

- ASSE 1014 — Backflow Prevention Devices for Hand-Held Shower
- ASSE 1023 — Electrically Heated or Cooled Water Dispensers
- ASSE 1086 — Reverse Osmosis Water Efficiency - Drinking Water
- ASSE 1115 — Automatic Hot Water Balancing Valve
- ASSE 1118 — Digital Mixing Valves for recirculating Hot Water System
- ASSE 1378 — Point of Entry Anion Exchange - Nitrate Reduction

I would like to thank all members of the working groups who have volunteered to review, comment on, and revise the Product Standards. Many thanks to the PSC members whose collective experience and expertise give guidance to the staff and working groups. Their time is valuable, and their volunteerism is truly appreciated. Also, many thanks to the ASSE staff members, Maria Bazan and John Higdon, for scheduling and facilitating working group meetings and Terry Burger, for helping with the coordination of product standards meetings and other matters.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (PQ) STANDARDS

By Donald R. Summers, IPP, FASSE (MO), Chairperson

ASSE still remains very active with their Professional Qualifications (PQ) Program. Our PQ Program has grown and become a staple in our industry. ASSE is branching out into new areas and developing professional qualifications for these parts of our industry.

This has been another busy year for the Professional Qualifications Standards Committee.

Three standards were published since August 2024:

- ASSE Series 15000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for the Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems, published in August 2024.
- ASSE Series 6000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Medical Gas Systems Personnel, published in November 2024.
- ASSE Series 28000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Inspectors of CIPP (Cured-in-Place-Pipe) Rehabilitation of Plumbing Drainage Systems, published in February 2025.

Two standards were reaffirmed:

- ASSE Series 8000 — Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Replenishment Systems Professional Qualifications Standard, reaffirmed in November 2024
- ASSE Series 16000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Inspectors and Plans Examiners, reaffirmed in February 2025.

Nine standards are currently under revision:

- ASSE Series 7000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Residential Potable Water Fire Sprinkler System Installers & Inspectors for One- and Two-Family Dwellings. The working group for the revision of this standard has been meeting regularly. We anticipate the publication will be in the 4th quarter of 2025.
- ASSE Series 10000 — Professional Qualification Standard for Green Plumbing Systems Installers: A press release seeking working group members was published on July 30, 2024. A working group will be formed in the 3rd quarter of 2025.
- ASSE Series 12000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Water Management and Infection Control Risk Assessment for Building Systems. We anticipate the formation of a working group in the 4th quarter of 2025.
- ASSE Series 13000 — Service Plumber and Residential Mechanical Service Technician Professional Qualifications Standard. We anticipate the formation of a working group in the 1st quarter of 2026.

- ASSE Series 15000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for the Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems. We anticipate the formation of a working group in the 4th quarter of 2025 or 1st quarter of 2026. As part of the revision of this standard, this standard will be registered with ANSI as being under continuous maintenance.
- ASSE Series 19000 — Hydronic Systems Professional Qualifications Standard. A press release seeking working group members was published July 30, 2024. The working group will be formed during the 3rd quarter 2025 and 1st quarter of 2026.
- ASSE Series 21000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Rainwater Catchment Systems Personnel. We anticipate the formation of a working group in the 2nd quarter of 2026, following the published revision of ARCSA/ASPE/IAPMO Standard 63 – Rainwater Catchment Systems.
- ASSE series 22000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Water Treatment Equipment Personnel. This standard was delayed in order to address public review comments. We anticipate a publication in the 3rd quarter of 2025. This will be both an ANSI and CAN National standard.
- ASSE Series 27000 — Professional Qualifications Standard for Hybrid Fire Extinguishing Systems Personnel. We anticipate the formation of a working group in the 4th quarter of 2025 or the 1st quarter of 2026.

One standard is in the process of being reaffirmed, ASSE Series 9000, Professional Qualifications Standard for Firestop Systems and Smoke-Limiting Materials for Piping Systems. The ANSI public review period ended August 11, 2025.

One new Standard ASSE Series 18000, International Gas Pipe and Equipment Installers and Repairmen (CIGPEIR) is under development. We anticipate the start of development to begin in the 2nd quarter of 2026.

The PQ Standards Committee met two times in the past year in person. We held one special virtual meeting to review and approve a request for the development of a PQ Standard. We reviewed the status of all the PQ Standards and reviewed the progress of all the standards that ASSE currently has. The PQ Standards Committee has also reviewed and discussed the importance of the revision of existing standards and development of new standards to make sure that ASSE is getting standards completed in a timely manner for use by the industry.

I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered for this committee. We had several PQ Standards come before this committee this year and it takes a lot of time and commitment from these individuals to carefully review and comment from their expertise in the industry on all the PQ Standards that are being written or revised. This is a lot of personal time from these committee members, and I would like to personally thank them for their hard work. I would also like to thank all the volunteers in the various working groups for their time and dedication to ASSE and to the development of our standards. I would be remiss if I did not thank all the office staff at the International Office for all their hard work. Without the dedication and hard work of these people, our organization would never succeed or grow as we have.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By Richard J. Prospal, IPP, FASSE (NOH), Chairperson

For the 2025/2026 school year, we had 8 students request application packets. Their applications had to be postmarked no later than July 23, 2025. The evaluation of these applications will take place over the first couple of weeks of August then the Scholarship Board will meet via conference call later in August to determine the awards, which will be announced at the Annual Meeting.

Again, this year, we need to thank the many scholarship sponsors:

- IN-SINK-ERATOR Corp
- PJF Plumbing & Heating Co.
- ASSE Illinois Chapter
- ASSE Pennsylvania Chapter
- ASSE New York Chapter

We also extend our gracious thanks to ASSE International for their very generous donation to the fund.

Sponsorships, donations and the sale of raffle tickets are our only sources of income. Thanks to everyone who purchased raffle tickets again this year. The raffle winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony. Vedda Printing again printed the tickets at no cost to the fund.

As of the 2023 awards, our program has provided 223 awards totaling \$488,050.00 in scholarships to our members' families.

A special thanks to Local 55 JATC for allowing me to use their facilities to make copies of the applications for distribution to the scholarship Board of Directors.

The Scholarship Program Board of Directors includes Laurence Coleman, Joseph Fugelo, Brianne Hall, PE, Thomas Lentine, and Daniel W. Rademacher, with Doug Marian as non-voting Treasurer. Ray Ehrlich, a member of the Board since the beginning, tendered his resignation now that he has turned 90 years young. We will be looking to fill Ray's place on the Scholarship Board.

Please remember: The American Society of Sanitary Engineering Scholarship Fund is an Ohio Nonprofit Corporation that exists separately and independently of the ASSE International Chapter of IAPMO, LLC. The Scholarship Fund is not an affiliate of ASSE International, nor is it an affiliate of IAPMO.

SEAL CONTROL BOARD

By Brianne N. Hall, PE, CPD (MI), Chairperson

The ASSE International Listing program had another successful program year. The ASSE/IAPMO internal audit and SCC audit were anticipated to be completed in Summer 2025. It is expected that an update will be provided during the 2025 Seal Control Board Annual Meeting. The next ANAB audit is scheduled for October 2025. A status update will be provided during the Seal Control Board 2026 Mid-Year Meeting.

The Seal Control Board meetings have been held virtually for the last year and will continue with this format. The 2025 Seal Control Board meeting will occur on September 11th. A report on the Seal Control Board meeting will be provided during the open Board of Director's Meeting on September 19th in Palm Springs.

The Seal Control Board welcomed one new member this year, Robb Risani. Thank you to Jaime Valdivia for serving as Seal Control Vice Chair and to the continued participation from Seal Control Board members Bill Briggs, Kris Hedlund, John Jordan, Matthew King and Daniel Pierce. I also want to recognize ASSE staff members Chris White, Eric Dickey and Terry Burger for working with the committee.

I am appreciative of the opportunity to serve as the Seal Control Board Chair. Thank you to all ASSE members, volunteers, and staff for your support.

SERVICE PLUMBER/RESIDENTIAL MECHANICAL (13000) TECHNICAL

By Douglas A. Marian, FASSE (CA), Chairperson

The ASSE Series 13000 Service Plumber and Residential Mechanical Service Technician is still under revision to update the 13010 and 13020 test questions. A subcommittee consisting of the following people: Rob Abruscatti, Brannon Baxter, Joe Fernandez, Scott Hamilton, Tim Hammack, Vince Kacaba, Jamie McPherson, Donald Summers and John Yock have been working on updating test questions for the 13010. Once completed we can move onto the hybrid certification and practical exam review. Thank you so very much for your hard work!

The program currently has 8 schools, 17 instructors and 15 proctors. There has been 1 new school, 4 new instructors, 3 new proctors and 69 new certifications with 1 recertification since last year's annual meeting with the overall number of certifications totaling 297. We are a far cry from where we hoped this program would be, but we still have hope that it will take off at some point. In saying that, it's also difficult to get volunteers to donate their time to develop these programs. That is why I wish to commend and thank the committee members of the 13000 Series, Brannon Baxter, DJ Berger, Thomas Bigley, Joe Fernandez, Vince Gallo, Ron George, Othon Guillen, Scott Hamilton, Kevin McDonough, Brian Peabody, Jason Shank, Adam Skalko, Donald Summers, Tim Wheeler and John Yock. Thank you all again and a big thank you to the ASSE staff for all your assistance in helping me along the way!

CHAPTER REPORTS



CENTRAL TEXAS CHAPTER

By Joe Cooper, President

The Central Texas Chapter became a new chapter of ASSE on October 27, 2022. As we close in on our third anniversary, we have much work in front of us, but we've made sure to recognize how our chapter has been involved in our industry. I would like to give a big shoutout to my fellow chapter members, as well as my fellow Southern Region Director, D.J. Berger, for their dedication and hard work to promote the Central Texas Chapter of ASSE, as well as sanitary plumbing.

The Central Texas Chapter has participated in quarterly chapter meetings and activities, with updates from many different vendors and the latest statistics from the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners. The members were informed on local code adoptions and legislative updates from the 88th session of the Texas legislature. IAPMO and ASSE worked to support legislation that allows Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to recognize ASSE certifications, but unfortunately, time ran out on the session. Chapter members continue to work with Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation TCEQ (TDLR-TCEQ) to accept the 15000 series and recognize ASSE certifications.

The host of our chapter meetings, the Austin Area Plumbing and Pipefitting training center, continues to require students to pass the ASSE 12010, Environment of Care, Infection Control and Construction Risk Assessment, and ASSE 6010, Medical Gas Systems Installers to graduate. This effort continues to assist in managing the increased workload in the healthcare industry. The Central Texas Chapter believes that these two certification areas will increase and provide a possible applicant pool for the Chapter. We appreciate all the support of the ASSE staff as we continue to move forward.

ILLINOIS CHAPTER

By Joseph W. Sowa, Sr., President

The Illinois Chapter had a limited number of meetings in the year 2024. We now meet quarterly. Since taking office last year, I have been faced with a few Officer positions becoming vacant. I am sure that we are not the only Chapter facing this scenario. My Board and I are actively recruiting members of the Chapter to step up into those positions. We have been able to fill one of the open Board of Directors positions. As President, I am continuing to publish and solicit sponsors for our Monthly Newsletter. We currently have 19 active sponsors in our newsletter. A "HOT LINKS" page has been added to our newsletter, which allows the contractors to make direct contact with a sponsor. Our annual Products Show continues to be the main social event for our Chapter. We average 20 to 25 exhibitors. The average number of visitors is usually between 200 and 250. I would like to thank the ASSE Central Region Directors, Brianne Hall and Kevin McDonough, for continuing to keep our Chapter abreast of changes within the society and of the new innovations in our industry. I would also like to thank Alex Gonzalez for all her help during the past year.

MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By Brianne N. Hall, PE, CPD, ASSE 6060, President

The Michigan Chapter continues to have a strong representation on ASSE International committees, with several members who serve on committees such as Backflow Advisory, Cross-Connection Control Technical Committee and Membership Committees.

On January 9, 2025, long-time member John R. Nussbaum IPP, FASSE, FASPE passed away. John represented ASSE at the 2nd World Plumbing Conference in London England in 1990. John has served the Michigan Chapter for over 37 years as Administrative Secretary and as Chapter President in 1983-1984. Before becoming the Society's International president in 1991-1992, he served on the Seal Control Board. While president of ASSE, John also served on the initial Series 5000 Committee where he helped secure the ANSI Accreditation on November 14, 1991. Throughout his career, John worked to bring together licensed plumbers, code officials, contractors and designers. He will be remembered for the countless lives he touched and his passion for the industry.

MISSOURI CHAPTER

By Donald R. Summers, Jr., IPP, FASSE, President

The Missouri Chapter has slowed down in holding chapter meetings due to lack of interest, as everyone is experiencing. They have not held any meetings in 2025 as of this report, June 2025. Our chapter thought offering continuing education points for our plumbing licenses would help, but so far it has not really benefited the chapter. The Missouri Chapter is still striving to get new members. It is very difficult, but they continue to try.

Our chapter still works closely with our manufacturer representatives to come and speak at our meetings.

I would like to thank all the officers and members of the Missouri Chapter. They are all very dedicated to our International Association. They continue to give their time to come and participate in our Chapter meetings and try to come up with ideas to increase membership.

The Missouri Chapter would like to congratulate our ASSE International President, Vince Gallo, on his term as International President. Vince has done a great job and his vision for ASSE has been outstanding. With his leadership, we have accomplished so much and look forward to achieving even more in the future. ASSE keeps moving in the right direction and is known for their dedication.

The Missouri Chapter would also like to thank all the outgoing officers for their commitment to ASSE, and we would like to wish all the incoming officers great success.

NEW YORK CHAPTER

By Eric K. Sawinski, PE, President

The New York Chapter has remained committed to expanding our membership while introducing new and innovative ways to promote ASSE. We have made a conscious effort this year to organize chapter events including field trips, educational seminars, and social gatherings to thank current membership as well as bring in new members. Our focus continues to be on providing a great membership experience while continually improving our chapter.

Last year, I completed my initial two-year term as chapter president and was very grateful that the Board decided to nominate and confirm me for a second term. Since last year, we have had a few changes in the Board makeup, it is diverse and has demonstrated throughout my tenure to possess an amazing ability to be innovative and energetic. The Board was able to come up with new creative activities to reward our membership during the year and due to that, we were also able to expand our ranks quite substantially. With that being said, I would like to thank our executive committee and chairpersons for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. The success of the chapter relies so heavily on the personal sacrifice and commitment made by each and every board member.

The New York City Chapter hosted 9 in-person monthly meetings, with a virtual option, in the 2024-2025 calendar year. Each meeting included a technical seminar based on an industry relevant topic. These seminars typically offered continuing education credits for those participants who require them for their professional license. The following is a list of seminars presented over the past year:

September 2024	Speaker: Eddie Villalta Topic: Introduction to Vacuum Wastewater Collection and Plumbing Systems Sponsor: Evac North America Inc.
October 2024	Speaker: Marc Bryden Topic: Electric Swing Tanks for Heat Pump Systems Sponsor: Altherm
November 2024	Speaker: Jason Signor Topic: What's Eating Your Pipes? Sponsor: truVUE
January 2025	Speaker: Kenneth Rutherford Topic: Hydronic & Thermal Expansion Control Sponsor: Platsky / Amtrol
February 2025	Speaker: Ray Lynady Topic: Highmark Sponsor: Rainwater Harvesting Systems
March 2025	Speaker: Cory Jordan Topic: Aluminum Pipe Systems Sponsor: Airpipe USA
April 2025	Speaker: Ryan Pfund Topic: Specifying for Safety Sponsor: Bradley
May 2025	Speaker: Sam Schwander Topic: Pneumatic Supplies for Dry & Preaction Systems Sponsor: Reliable
June 2025	Speaker: Mathis Carlson Topic: New Innovations in Medical Gas Piping Sponsor: Omegaflex

As always, thank you to ASSE International for your continued support and positive driving example within the plumbing industry. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Meeting in the fall and to a productive year ahead.

NORTHERN OHIO CHAPTER

By Jason Shank, FASSE, President

The following is the Chapter report for the Northern Ohio (NOH) Chapter of ASSE for the year 2024-25. I would like to thank all my fellow Board Members, Chapter Members and the National ASSE office for all the hard work and time to promote the ASSE motto “Prevent Rather than Cure” in Northern Ohio and other parts of the world.

I would like to highlight the other activities of the membership of the NOH Chapter inside of ASSE. These members are chairmen and members on a few committees such as the Scald Awareness Task Group, Code Committee, Seal Control Board, various Technical Committees, Working Groups for PQ Standards and the Professional Qualifications Committee.

PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

By Gregory Beck, President

The Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) Chapter of ASSE International remains steadfast in its mission to revitalize and strengthen the Chapter’s presence and operations. While we have made significant progress, we currently find ourselves at a temporary plateau in these efforts. Despite this pause, we are encouraged by the continued strength and dedication of our Board of Directors, as well as the solid structure of our Chapter that provides a firm foundation for future growth.

At this time, regular Chapter meetings have been placed on hold to allow the Board the necessary space to evaluate our direction and come to a unified consensus on the best path forward. This strategic pause is not a step backward, but rather a deliberate opportunity to reassess and realign our goals with the needs of our members and the broader industry we serve.

Membership remains strong, especially among contractors across the state. Much of this continued engagement is driven by the backflow prevention certification and training components that ASSE provides—an area of significant value and interest to our contractor members. This specific focus continues to be a key factor in sustaining involvement and reinforcing the Chapter’s relevance in the field.

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to all the officers and members of the Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) Chapter. Your ongoing commitment, time, and energy are not only appreciated, but they are also essential to our efforts. Your participation, ideas, and support provide the momentum we need as we work together toward revitalizing the Chapter and shaping a stronger future.

Thank you all for your unwavering dedication.



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