



"Such a pure feeling is a well struck golf shot." -Roy McAvoy (Tin Cup)
Meeting



ASHRAE CRC Planning

The SetPoint



September 2013

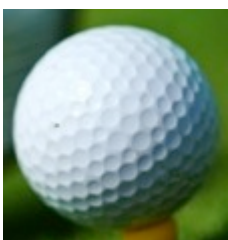
Presidential Points

by dane pletcher

Wichita is off and running for another ASHRAE year! We finished the 2012-2013 Society

year on an extremely high note, raking in the awards at our Region's Chapter Regional Conference (CRC) in Boise last month:

- Highest Presidential Award of Excellence (PAOE) Award for the most PAOE points. This system is how Society measures and rates every single chapter's efforts and successes, by assigning points in various categories critical to ASHRAE's purpose and objectives.
- Presidents Award for chapter President going above and beyond the call of duty.
- Top Dog Award for most outstanding Research & Promotion efforts and contributions.
- PAOE Community Sustainability Project Award for our endeavors to improve our community by sharing our time, talents, and treasures.
- Horn Blower award for the best chapter website.



The "work" part of CRC. Collecting awards!

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Chad Marlow at 265-9655

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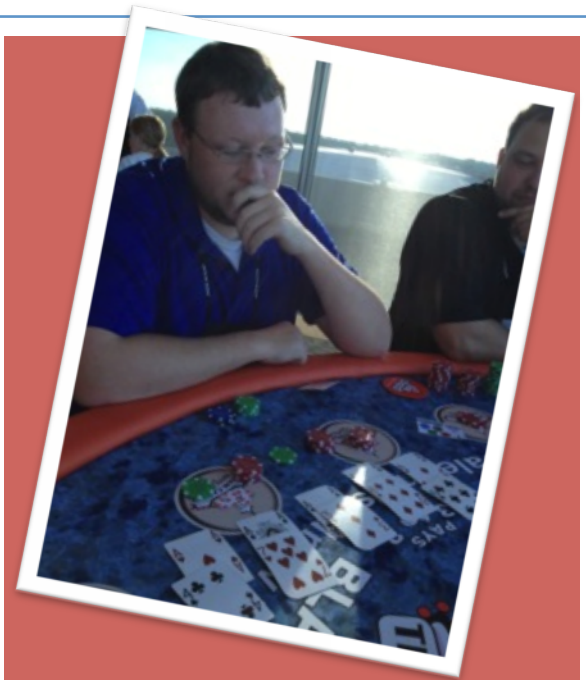
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YEA!

There is an exciting new program that Region IX (that's us) is offering to its YEA members. Recall YEA stands for Young Engineers in ASHRAE. Any member who is 35 or younger is automatically a YEA member, so you folks are instantly qualified! The program will send two YEA members from the region to the Society level meetings, one to the Winter Conference in New York and one to the Annual Meeting in Seattle. The member will shadow our region's Director and Regional Chair (DRC), Mr. Richard Bowman, at these meetings. A DRC represents a region to Society, so this is no small ordeal we're talking about here. This will give the YEA member an incredible insight into the highest level of our great Society that few of us will ever see. To sweeten the deal, the region is going to cover pretty much all of the expenses involved for the members, including airfare, hotel, meeting registration, and various social and dinner gatherings.

Each chapter in the region may nominate one YEA member for this program, and we must do so by October 1st. If you are a YEA member and would like to be considered, just respond to [Vice President Brandon](#) and [myself](#). If you would like to nominate someone, please do the same (after verifying with the nominee of course). This is a fantastic opportunity for any young ASHRAE member.



Membership and Promotion

Membership and promotion training in Denver, CO as well as at CRC in Boise, Idaho were beneficial to understanding the goals of the M&P position as well as very motivating to keep things rolling in the right direction. Gaylen Atkinson has been the regional RVC for M&P for the past few years, and has passed the torch this year to Michelle Swanson from Rocky Mountain. With the combination of Gaylen's experience and Michelle's goals and insight, this year should be another successful one for M&P. This year we have already met and surpassed our goal for acquiring new members, and have been working diligently to update missing or incorrect contact information for all Wichita Chapter members.

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Our New Address

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Wichita, KS 67201



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- Blue Ribbon Award for first place in Membership Promotion, recognizing our chapter's growth vitality.

- Chapter Service Award. Three of our members, Nancy Mills of Associated Equipment Sales, Curtis Wondra of J.M. O'Connor, and James Herman of Building Controls and Services, received Chapter Service Awards, acknowledging their long-term commitment to and support of Wichita ASHRAE.

Our Region IX has 13 chapters, and is the largest geographic region in the world, so these achievements are no small potatoes. One of our most notable achievements though is the fact that Wichita placed 2nd in the world in PAOE. Wichita ASHRAE truly has a lot to be proud of, and a lot of momentum we're carrying forward to the 2013/2014 year.

Our golf tournament is just around the corner (September 13), so now is the time to get your team registered if you haven't already done so. It's shaping up to be another barn buster that you will not want to miss! We've got a pile of killer prizes, special miniature contests within the tournament that are sure to induce friendly competition and anti-sobriety, and a beautiful course to play. And the best part is by playing you're helping our Chapter continue our run of excellence. It's really a no brainer! Visit our chapter website (<http://wichita-ashrae.org/registration/?ee=17>) to sign up to play or sponsor the event, or get in touch with Chad Marlow over at Knipp Equipment (cmmarlow@trane.com, 265-9655).

Wichita Chapter will be hosting the Region IX CRC in early August next year. Ken Stoppel of Building Controls and Services is the Chair for our CRC committee, and is heading up the efforts to make sure we have a successful and memorable conference. There is a cooling-ton of work to do to prepare for this event, which is now only 11 months away, and we need all the help we can get. Given the fact that our geographic proximity is within driving distance of many of our fellow Region IX chapters, we are expecting a big turnout. We've chosen a beautiful venue, the Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview. If you or anyone in your organization is man/woman enough to step up to the plate and volunteer to help get ready, please get ahold of Ken (KStoppel@bldgcontrols.com, 267-5814). If we don't hear from you soon, it's a safe bet that we may be calling on you within the months to come, so you might as well beat us to the punch.

We should all be excited about our Chapter's accomplishments and what the future holds for us. Thank you all for your continued support. See you on the links!

Sustainability

Date: Sat., Sept. 28

Time: 9 am to 4 pm

Green Apple Day of Service

Fresh Air Baby Camp Window Restoration

Where: Rounds & Porter Building

400 N. Waco

Wichita, KS 67203

Lunch will be provided.

Please register [here](#).

As you may remember, this project was one of two sustainability projects for our local Chapter last year. Please consider donating your service or materials. Please visit their [facebook page](#) for more information. This even is sponsored by USGBC Central Plains.

Student Activities

The Wichita Chapter finished strong in Student Activities for the 2012-13 ASHRAE Year. Final PAOE scoring put Wichita in second place out of thirteen Chapters just 50 points behind first place Nebraska. Our biggest success of the year in Student Activities included starting a student chapter at Wichita State University and giving away a \$1,000 scholarship. The 2013-14 year has already started out with a bang. Due to the success of our Online Business Directory we have raised enough money to donate two \$1,000 scholarships to Wichita State Mechanical Engineering Students.

The selection process has begun and there will be more information on winners of the scholarships at a later date. If you know of an ME student attending WSU that would like to apply for the scholarship please let me know asap.



Goals for Student Activities this year include helping WSU Student Chapter to grow, sponsoring the WSU Engineering Open House and having ASHRAE members volunteer to judge projects, talk with Pittsburgh State and WATC about establishing Student Chapters, raising money for scholarships, provide volunteers for NAWIC Block Kids Event and Kansas Science Olympiad, create shadow program for high school students during Engineers Week, and provide mentors for ME Senior Design Project Team at WSU to compete in the ASHRAE Student Design Competition. As always these items take lots of effort and generous support from our members. If you are interested in helping out with any of these activities or have others not listed here please contact me. Also, our Chapter gets PAOE points for interactions by any of our members with K-12 activities promoting the engineering profession so if you do something on your own please let me know so that the Chapter can recognize your efforts and also record points for it. If you need ASHRAE promotional items including brochures, posters and activities for K-12 interactions I have some from Society that I can hand out. Contact me at sean.miller@trane.com or at 1.316.265.9655.

Just the Facts

Region IX, the largest geographical region in all of Society, routinely awards a traveling trophy each year to the Research Promotion Chairman deemed to be the best. It's a cheesy hand-carved piece, commonly referred to as "Top Dog". It started in the mid-80's.

Wichita has been awarded this trophy FOUR times!

David Haynes 1994-1995

John Knipp 1995-1996

Ken Stoppel 2008-1009 and 2012-2013



Wichita Region IX

CRC 2014

ASHRAE's Region IX, the largest state-side geographical Region in all of ASHRAE, rotates the site of its Chapters Regional Conference (CRC) to each of its 13 Chapters on an annual basis. The 2013-2014 ASHRAE campaign will culminate with that Conference being held in Wichita. The last time the CRC was held in Wichita was 2001. It's safe to say that we set the bar for years to come, with that same anticipation being prevalent today. Let's just say, that we do not intend to disappoint!

Someone wise once said, "Great leaders are only as good as the composite efforts of their team", and our growing group appears to be a good one. As co-host of our 2014 CRC I unveiled our intentions to host CRC in Wichita last month in Boise. I told our group, to steal a "bid day metaphor", that I committed to meeting the spec. Now it's up to our team to deliver a successful project, within budget, with a happy Customer.

Known:

- Dates – Wednesday, July 30 thru Saturday, August 2
- Location – The Historic Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview
- Golf Tourney – Sand Creek Station, in Newton

Committee members needed:

- Sponsorship
- Gift baskets
- Transportation
- Entertainment Venues
- Spouse Activities
- Technology Czar
- Website and Registration
- Hotel Conference Staffing



If you have a desire to be part of this historic effort, feel free to contact me, or any of our very capable Chapter Board of Governors. It is our intention to hold a social event in September at the Drury, to both celebrate the extraordinary success of last year's campaign, as well orient those members that may wish to be part of this year's CRC Team. Additionally, we will be meeting monthly at the Drury for a monthly Friday breakfast to strategize and plan for CRC 2014. These dates are TBD.