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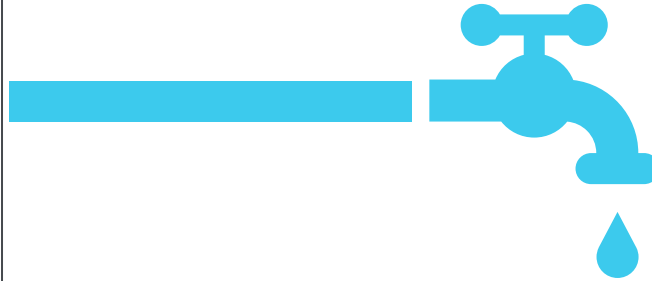
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COMMERCIAL VALVES 101

THURSDAY OCTOBER 16, 2025

5-6 PM NETWORKING

6-7 PM TECHNICAL MEETING

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

BY: JON MILLARD, PE



Happy October!

This year really seems to have flown by, and it's crazy to think we're already into October. Our monthly technical meetings have kicked back off again, and we've got a great set of topics lined up for the next several months. While I had to miss this year's Technical Symposium, I've heard from many ASPE members and colleagues that it was once again a great event!

Every year the board tries to sponsor the costs of attending for at least 2 members who enter a random drawing. This year's winners were Alaina Michels & Jessica Culver who enjoyed their time at the tech symposium and brought back new knowledge on plumbing products and the industry.

Next year's big national event will be the Convention, taking place in Oklahoma City on October 8th through 14th (2026). Mark your calendars now, and stay tuned for more info on the membership giveaway for next year's convention.

As I write this article, I just finished meeting with fellow board members to discuss upcoming events and programs for the rest of the year, and have to say, we've got some very exciting things coming up on the horizon. Stay tuned, and watch your newsletter, as well as our chapter LinkedIn page for upcoming events. I hope to see you soon at one of our upcoming meetings!

Upcoming Events

VISIT ASPEWI.ORG TO SIGN UP

NOVEMBER	12th	Lunch Meeting - Madison
	13th	Lunch Meeting - Milwaukee
	13th	Dinner Meeting - Milwaukee
DECEMBER	10th	Lunch Meeting - Madison
	11th	Lunch Meeting - Milwaukee
JANUARY	14th	Lunch Meeting - Madison
	15th	Dinner Meeting - Milwaukee
FEBRUARY	11th	Lunch Meeting - Madison
	12th	Lunch Meeting - Milwaukee
MARCH	11th	Lunch Meeting - Madison
	12th	Lunch Meeting - Milwaukee
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LETS GET TECHNICAL WITH VP TECH

BY: JUSTIN MONK, D.E.S.



Thank You, for the Honor to Serve!

It is a privilege and honor to serve as one of the voices the many plumbing design professionals this year as your ASPE Wisconsin Chapter Vice President of Technical. For many of you we have had the pleasure of getting to know each other over the past year and for some I'm a new face. I look forward to meeting as many of you whether you are a continuing member or new member over the next year. For a further introduction of myself and background, please see my past introduction article from September 2024 or my LinkedIn profile, Justin Monk, DES, CPD, PLBR. https://aspewi.org/images/downloads/Newsletter/aspe_newsletter_2024_25_vol._1__1_.pdf <https://www.linkedin.com/in/justin-monk-des-cpd-plbr-574a2565/>

What should we expect this year from a technical standpoint? In a word challenge.

As an ASPE-WI broad, we challenge all members to be more engaged with chapter activities. This year we will host multiple after-work networking events and dinner technical meetings which may aligns better with many members' schedules. Our technical meeting locations will continue to be at different locations and at times outside of the normal Madison and Milwaukee areas. If you would like to host a meeting at your office, please feel empowered to reach out to me! For more information about our future events, please visit <https://aspewi.org/Events>.

Can we as a Wisconsin Chapter challenge ourselves to increase the number of ASPE Certified in Plumbing Design (CPD) professionals this year? Last year we saw four new plumbing design professionals, Joseph Behmke, Chris Brueggeman, Mark Koenig, and me, receive the CPD credential! The ASPE Certified Plumbing Design Technician (CPDT) exam will be held during the second half of October 2025 and will are eager to see who from Wisconsin passes the exam and receives the CPDT credential! ASPE offers live virtual CPD Review Classes, a four-part CPD Review Webinars series, and CPD / CPDT Practice Tests, all to assist with attaining the CPD or CPDT credential! For more information visit <https://education.aspe.org/>.

As a personal challenge to Wisconsin plumbing Professional Engineers and Designers of Engineering System license holders, ASPE-WI members as well as non-members, is to attend the all-day Technical Seminar & Product show in April 2026 co-hosted with our trade partners, Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Wisconsin Association (PHCC). This is a full day of technical plumbing education that pertains to Wisconsin's plumbing code and standards! Attendance was a success last year and it would be great to continue on that path. For more information, please visit <https://phcc-wi.org/> and <https://aspewi.org/> in the coming months.

ASPE and our local Wisconsin Chapter is all about you, the plumbing design professional. Its mission is the advancement of the science of plumbing engineering and its members so that our designs can protect the health, welfare, and safety of the public when it comes to water. Please, accept the challenge set before you, and enjoy this coming year of ASPE-WI!



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MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

BY: RICH DAVISON



Happy first week of fall fellow Wisconsin ASPE members! Our chapter is off to a great start with membership momentum of 165 and counting! Please welcome some of our newest members Korry A Spencer from the city of Milwaukee, and Brandy L Voet from Affiliated engineers in Madison.

When you join ASPE, you become part of a worldwide family of engineering and design professionals and gain immediate access to their combined technical knowledge and industry support.

Next week starts the ASPE Technical Symposium in sunny Florida! Well wishes to all of you attending and being part of this amazing opportunity to learn and network with fellow members of the Society.

Happy September Birthdays!

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TOUCHING BASE WITH VP LEGISLATIVE

BY: AARON BOCK, PE



Hello everyone!

I hope you all had a great summer. I have a couple big news items.

The first, which you're probably all aware of, is that Wisconsin recently moved to the 2021 IECC. DSPS announced an original grace period until Oct. 1 to submit designs under the old codes, but has now extended that again until Nov. 1. The code change implications for plumbing are as follows:

- For natural gas water heaters over 1,000,000 BTUs, the minimum efficiency is 92%, up from 90% in the 2018 IECC. If you have multiple gas fired water heaters, and the total output is over 1,000,000 BTUs, then the weighted average must be above 90% efficiency.
- The IECC added a table for water volume for different pipe types, for calculation of water volume for hot water recirculation requirements. The requirements align with those already in the SPS 382 plumbing section for recirculation.
- Hot water circulation "shall" automatically turn off when there is no demand and the hot water return temperature is satisfied, meaning that demand recirculation controls are now required. There is an exception saying that public health codes and standards can override this though, so healthcare projects may be an exception.
- The most significant change is that hot water circulation systems shall limit return water temperature of 104 degrees F maximum. This has a serious impact on waterborne pathogen control, and several of us are investigating whether the state will enforce this. Somewhat telling is that this requirement has been removed in the 2024 version of IECC.

The other significant piece of industry news is that beginning in 2028, there will be a Plumbing option under the Mechanical Professional Engineer exam. This is a huge win for our profession and is the result of a multi-year effort from ASPE's Professional Engineer Working Group. If you're looking to get licensed,



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