



ASHRAE

THIN-AIR BULLETIN

American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers NM Chapter Region IX Albuquerque, NM

JANUARY SPEAKER

Speaker: Brent Field
Western Regional Manager
Walter Meier (Climate USA)
Nortec Humidifiers

Topic: Why Humidify?
What basic technologies are available?
Installation concerns; steam lines, drains etc.

As Western Regional Manager, Brent looks after the Western half of the US. He works solely with humidification equipment providing advice and technical support for engineers, contractors and building owners on several technologies of humidification equipment.

WHEN: January 20th, 2008 11:30 AM
WHERE: Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen
COST: \$20
RSVP TO DAN HARMEYER BY FRIDAY JANUARY 16TH.
EMAIL: deharmeyer@aol.com

See the NM Chapter website at
www.nmashrae.org

We will be adding new features and links in the near future.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season.

I wanted to make our membership aware of an effort by some national organizations to require significant additional coursework for engineering graduates to obtain professional licensure. From what I have read this initiative looks to have come from The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES). They are calling this the "Bachelor's +30 initiative" and it would essentially require an engineering professional to obtain a master of science degree before being eligible to sit for the PE exam.

ASHRAE along with ASME have opposed the initiative and feel it would create an unnecessary hurdle to the profession when engineers are already in short supply.

"ASHRAE feels that the requirement would be a significant deterrent to obtaining licensure." said ASHRAE Presidential Member Richard Hayter, who serves as the Society's liaison to the NCEES Engineering Education Task Force. "The current system of examinations and supervision in practice are workable, effective and adaptable,"

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NM Chapter welcomes the following new members:

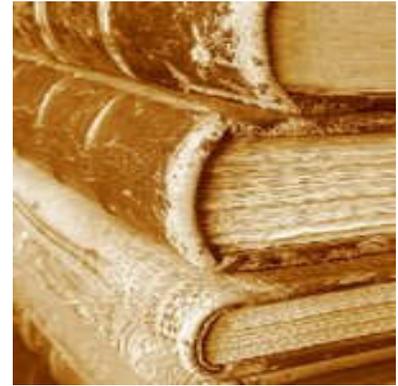
Roberto Armijo, Ross Collord

Attention: Life & Fellow Members; While you are not required to pay dues, ASHRAE does require you to send in your renewal form.

From the History Books

January 1991

President: Bruce Davis
President Elect: John Grapsas
Secretary: Steve Maggert
Treasurer: Mike Slaman



The program featured Thomas T. Shisman, Vice-president of McClelland Management Services discussed "Asbestos and Environmental Issues in Remodeling".

The UNM Mechanical Engineering Department offered an introductory course on HVAC for the spring semester.

The NM Chapter of ASHRAE co-sponsored with the NM Energy and Minerals Department several seminars including evaporative cooling systems, 1989 Model Energy Code and design of refrigeration systems.

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resulting in highly competent professional engineers."

"ASHRAE opposes efforts to increase educational requirements for engineering licensure and encourages states and licensing boards to reject such proposals," said ASHRAE President Bill Harrison. "ASHRAE will continue to develop educational programs that assure its members remain at the forefront of engineering practices and technologies."

ASHRAE has sent our chapter an information packet along with a letter for our use in opposing this with the state licensing board. **I am looking for feedback from our membership!** Yes, that means you. Please contact me and let me know if you have any objection to the New Mexico Chapter of ASHRAE opposing this initiative on a local level. You can call me at 823-1113, or email me at d.beckley@eestinc.com.

I wish all of you a Happy and Healthy 2009!

Dan Beckley