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President's Report

Now that trick-or-treat is over and we've all got a bag full of candies, let's prepare to treat ourselves to the upcoming Thanksgiving dinner. But before we enjoy that holiday feast, let's get our appetites ready for our November monthly meeting. This month's meeting will be held at noon in Boston. Please visit the VP Technical page for more details on the meeting program and location.

A big thank-you goes out to everyone who attended the ASPE Boston Product Show and Technical Sessions on October 21. The turnout was excellent, and several sessions were filled beyond capacity, showing the strong interest and engagement of our members. I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to the vendors and affiliates who joined us. Your participation and support are what keep our chapter strong and thriving within the plumbing and fire protection engineering community. I'd also like to make one request to all those who attended the Product Show: we would love to hear your feedback. Please send your comments and suggestions to our chapter email at aspebostonchapter@gmail.com.

The WOA event at The Lalita's outdoor bar on October 23 was a great success. We had a fantastic turnout, and our WOA Liaison, Adrienne Harris, did a tremendous job selecting the venue. To all of our AYP members, our AYP Liaison is currently working on booking a venue for the upcoming AYP event night. Stay tuned for details.

We are also planning a Holiday Party for the Boston Chapter in January 2026. This will be a can't-miss event and a great opportunity to celebrate together. More information will be shared through our website, LinkedIn, and email announcements as the date approaches.

In conclusion, I look forward to seeing all of you at our next monthly meeting. Email invitations have been sent to all ASPE members. If you have not received this invite or know someone who is not getting these emails, please let us know by contacting our chapter email at aspebostonchapter@gmail.com.

With gratitude and excitement,
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Boston ASPE AYP – November 2025 Newsletter

Hello Boston ASPE AYP Members and Friends!

As we move deeper into the fall season, we'd like to take a moment to reflect on a successful October and share what's ahead for the Boston Chapter of ASPE. Your continued participation and enthusiasm make all the difference, and we're grateful for the strong engagement we've seen throughout the year!

A Big Thank You to Everyone Who Joined Us at the ASPE Product Show!

A huge thank you to everyone who attended, exhibited, and supported our Biennial ASPE Boston Product Show on October 21st! The event was a great success thanks to the dedication of our vendors, sponsors, and members who made it possible.

We were thrilled to see so many familiar faces—and many new ones—come together to explore the latest innovations in plumbing design, technology, and products. Your participation helps strengthen the professional connections that make our chapter thrive.

Special thanks go out to our Product Show Committee and volunteers for their time, energy, and effort in organizing such a well-run event. If any AYP members have any feedback, please feel free to contact me.

Not a Member Yet? Join Us This Month!

If you haven't joined Boston ASPE AYP yet, November is a great time to get involved! Membership gives you access to exclusive networking events, ongoing professional development, and a supportive community of peers who are just as passionate about the industry as you are.

By becoming a member, you'll stay connected to industry trends, build meaningful relationships, and gain access to mentorship opportunities that can elevate your career. Don't wait—become a part of the Boston ASPE AYP community today!

What's Coming Up Next?

We're already planning our next exciting AYP event for the last quarter of 2025! The venue is almost booked! Keep an eye on your email inbox and our social media channels for updates and registration details. We can't wait to bring you another opportunity to connect, learn, and grow with your fellow professionals.

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Legislative Report

This month I was asked if propylene glycol can go to the sanitary system. Propylene glycol is commonly added to closed loop mechanical systems for freeze protection and I can't say I ever gave it special consideration. It's not meant to go down the drain intentionally but what happens if there is an equipment failure? The engineer I was working on pushed me to think outside the box. While some jurisdictions do limit propylene glycol discharge to 30mg/L, Massachusetts does not appear to set a limit.

In the case of a mechanical failure, I think that would fall under the category of an "Upset" which is defined in 360 CMR Massachusetts Water Resources Authority as: *an exceptional incident in which there is unintentional and temporary noncompliance with the discharge standards of 360 CMR 10.000, or any permit thereunder, due to factors beyond the reasonable control of the Person responsible for the discharge. An Upset does not include noncompliance to the extent caused by operational error, an improperly designed treatment facility, an inadequate treatment facility, lack of preventive maintenance, or careless or improper operation.*

I also checked on ASPE Connect and found some interesting discourse. I encourage everyone to check it out if you ever have a question about plumbing engineering and design.

I think the other important lesson is to try and understand why something is in the code. One of my colleagues offered the following explanation in regards to propylene glycol: *Propylene Glycol causes Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in water and Federal and most local jurisdictions/waste treatment plants limit this to 30 mg/L when dealing with sanitary waste and 10 mg/L if you want to spill this to storm. BOD is a way to measure how much oxygen is used as microbes breathe as they eat the contaminants in wastewater, the more contaminants in the wastewater, the more oxygen is needed.*

Respectfully Submitted, Ethan Grossman, P.E.,
VP Legislative, Boston Chapter ASPE



Technical Report

I hope everyone had a safe Halloween this year, nice to have it on Friday again and enjoy it with our families. This past month we held our Biennial Product Show & Education Seminars. The board is working on compiling our notes/ideas for our next event in 2027. I would like to give thanks to Rich Dean (Vanderweil Engineers) as the education chair and Ethan Grossman (IPS) and Pat Shea (Emerson Swan) as the overall Chair and Co-chair, respectively.

The November meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 11th, 2025, at the Fort Point Room in Boston, MA. **Please start to arrive around 11:30, so we have a start at noon time.** This noontime gathering will feature Joe Cappellino PE from VHB. The topic will be Sanitary and Storm Water Management. During this event Joe will touch base on the following:

- Land Disturbance Regulations
- Storm Water Control Permits
- Best Management Selection for roof (Blue Roof, Green, Roof, and Purple Roof)
- Floor Resilience
- Sanitary Sewage Flows

A couple items to note:

This December meeting, we will be collection toys for the "Toys for Tots" charity.

So please bring a new unwrapped toy to the meeting for collection.

The actual meeting is hosted by ASHRAE this year, we will be sending out the location and topic in the December newsletter.

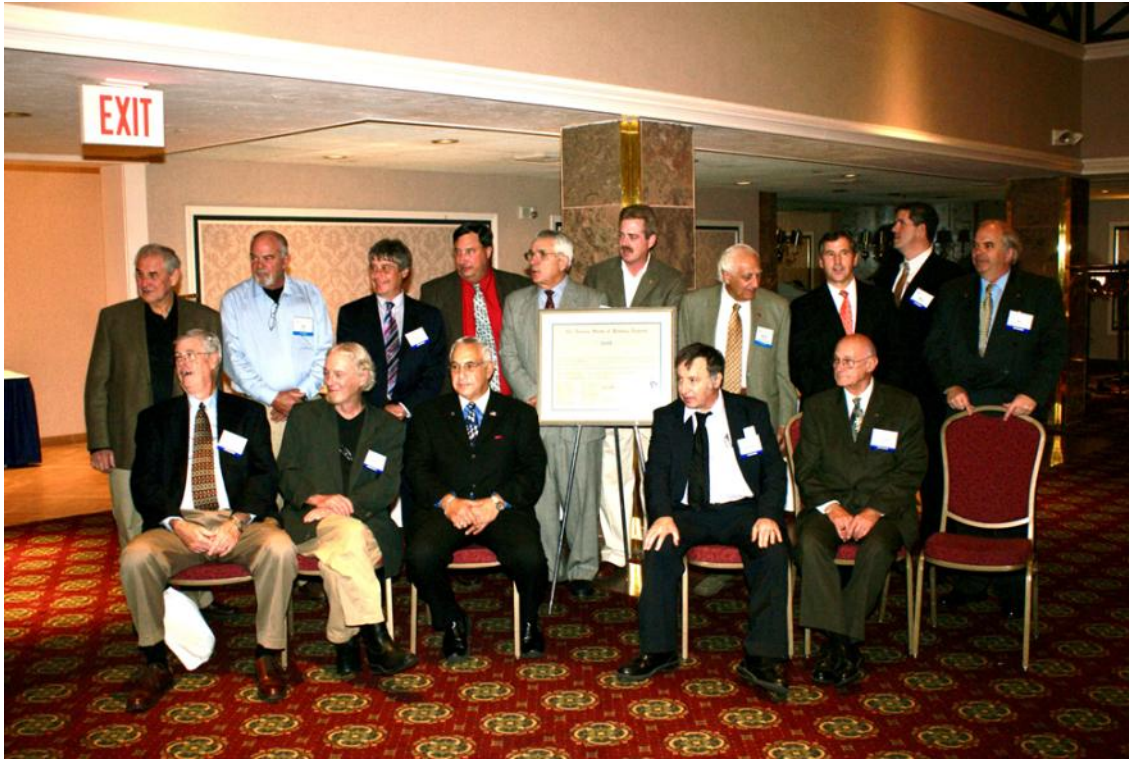
The January meeting will be a social/holiday event, more info to come.

Hope to see everyone at the November meeting.

Best regards, Ed Nadeau, VP Technical, ASPE Boston Chapter

November's "What is it?" Contest Photo

This month I have borrowed a photo from The Boston Chapter archives. This a photo taken a number of years ago and this month's challenge is to see how many Boston Chapter Past Presidents you can identify in the photo. You will receive one entry for each correct Past President you correctly identify. It's really easy if you've been a long time ASPE member. Even our newer



members should be able to name at least two or three.

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