

### **American Society of Gas Engineers**

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# Gearing up for the 2012 ASGE Technical Conference

### ASGE Calendar

June 4 and 5, 2012— ASGE Technical Conference—Las Vegas

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The American Society of Gas Engineers is gearing up for the 2012 National Technical Conference. The conference will be held June 4-5, 2012 at the Aliante Hotel in North Las Vegas.

The Aliante Station Hotel and Casino opened in 2008. The hotel includes a beautiful pool, several restaurants and many entertainment opportunities. The location is perfect for a relaxing getaway, yet only a short cab ride away from the Las Vegas Strip and other attractions. Reserve your rooms at the Aliante by May 7 to receive the ASGE group code discount rate of \$69 per night plus a \$15 per night resort fee.

The agenda for the 2012 ASGE National Technical Conference includes:

Monday June 4-9AM: Golf Outing Monday June 4-10AM: C.G.E Review Monday June 4-1PM: C.G.E. Exam Monday June 4-7PM: Board Meeting

Tuesday June 5-8AM-4PM: Technical Presen-

tations

Tuesday June 5-6PM: President's Awards

Dinner

The conference will kick off with the optional annual golf outing organized by Ron Heberger on Monday morning. The outing will return to

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## **ASGE Highlights**

Congratulations to the following individual who successfully completed the Certified Gas Engineer Exam in October 2011.

Eric Bruton of Heatco, Inc.



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Painted Desert Golf Club this year after a very successful outing at this course in 2011. If you haven't experienced desert golf, you should treat yourself to this affordable excursion. New clubs are available for rental at the pro shop if you don't want to travel with your own clubs.

A cornerstone of the annual technical conference is the ASGE Certified Gas Engineer exam prep session and examination. ASGE has evaluated candidates for Certified Gas Engineer status since 2002. The prep session and examination will be held on Monday June 4.

A full day of informative technical presentations will be conducted on Tuesday June 5. Please check the ASGE web site www.asge-national.org for more information about the technical presentation topics or to become a presenter.

The conference will wrap up with the President's awards dinner on Tuesday night.

Come be a part of a great conference and enjoy a little sun shine in Las Vegas. The conference registration form is available at www.asge-national.org. The registration form for the golf outing is also available on the web site. Please contact the Aliante Hotel directly for your hotel reservations. The reservations telephone number is 877-477-7627. Reserve your room by May 7, 2012 to get the ASGE group code rate.







# The President's Message—Nancy Wilson



### Spring is almost here!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and are looking forward to a glorious spring! June and the annual technical conference is just around the corner so please take a moment to register today to enjoy the "Early Bird" rate of only \$225.00. Executive Director, Jerry Moore has arranged for a great meeting space at Aliante Resort located in North Las Vegas and Vice President, Sham Kassab has secured a great line up of speakers that will be sure to

be of interest to all.

I was recently in Atlanta at the Hearth, Patio and Barbeque Association Show where I networked with colleagues from around the globe. Rest assured that AS-GE was in the forefront of my conversations and I actively encouraged new membership and participation in our Society. As I mentioned before, my goal is to see our membership increase by 25% in 2012 and I plan to focus on the Certified Gas Engineers Program which I believe is necessary for our future.

I ask you to please keep ASGE in your thoughts when you attend conferences, trade shows and industry meetings. Be proud of us and what we do. Talk about us. Share us with your colleagues. Your commitment and involvement is essential to our growth and our future.

I will see you at the ASGE Technical Conference in Las Vegas June 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

Working together for the betterment of the industry.....

Nancy















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### **ASGE Member Profile**



Jim Pelkey has been a member of ASGE for 11 years. He served as a director of ASGE from 2007 through 2011. Jim works at Wolf Appliance Inc. a subsidiary of Sub Zero Inc. Sub Zero and Wolf are proud corporate sponsors of ASGE and support the organization's efforts to promote the gas industry.

Jim has been the lab certification manager at Wolf Appliance since 2001. In 2000 Sub Zero purchased the rights to the Wolf residential cooking products line from Wolf Range

of Compton California and moved that production to Madison Wisconsin. Since that time Wolf has developed many new gas and electric cooking and ventilation products that are tested and certified through the engineering lab. Over the course of the last ten years the lab at Wolf Appliance has achieved testing certification to ISO 17025 standards for gas cooking products for both domestic and international products.

Jim has been in the gas cooking industry for over 30 years. Prior to joining Wolf Appliance Jim worked for the Maytag Company at two of their production plants for cooking products including the Jenn-Air facility in Indianapolis IN and the Maytag / Magic Chef facility in Cleveland TN.

Jim's wife Cheryl of 33 years often accompanies him to the ASGE Technical Conference. They have three children and six grandchildren.

You will see Jim at the 2012 ASGE Technical Conference. Be sure to introduce yourself and say hello.

### **ASGE Certified Gas Engineer Program**

Since 2002, The American Society of Gas Engineers has evaluated applicants for Certified Gas Engineer (C.G.E.). Exams for certification are given annually at various locations in the United States. Exams are administered by the ASGE Certified Gas Engineer Committee chaired by Gary Liljenberg, C.G.E. The application fee for the exam is \$150.

To assist in preparation for the exam, ASGE has prepared the Certified Gas Engineer Study Guide and Reference Manual. The Guide contains basic information about chemistry, ignition, technology, application and safety. This publication may be used for reference during the exam. The fee for the Guide is \$150. If may be ordered from ASGE, P.O. Box 66, Artesia, CA 90702.

An ASGE Test Review is also available on CD. This Microsoft PowerPoint presentation was developed by Mr. Ralph Jennings, and it covers the topics contained in the C.G.E. exam. This excellent training tool for individuals, companies and industry groups is available from ASGE for \$150. The ASGE Test Review, computing devices and photographic devices may not be used during the C.G.E. exam.

The C.G.E. designation is available to ASGE members and non-members. The certification is maintained by ASGE with an annual fee of \$20 for ASGE members and \$70 for non-members. The ASGE Board of Directors invites non-member Certified Gas Engineers to become voting members by completing an application form and submitting the \$20 application fee to the ASGE post office box. Members are eligible to access the "Members Only" section of the website (www.asge-national.org) and to participate in elections. The annual membership fee is \$50 (only \$10 for retired members).