

American Society of Gas Engineers

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New Officers/New Year

ASGE Calendar

February 27, 2014 C.G.E. Exam Cleveland, OH

June 2-3, 2014
Technical Conference
South Point Hotel
Las Vegas, NV

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The 2013 ASGE conference was held at the Green Valley Ranch Resort in Henderson, NV. Members from all across the US were in attendance and a good time was had by all. The presentations were, as always, informative and well presented by our distinguished guest speakers.

The conference activities began with several members attending the annual golf outing. This year the outing had a new venue at the Tuscany Golf Club. Competition was fierce but good fun was had by all. Meanwhile...

Back at the hotel several new members were engaged in taking the CGE certification test. Increasing the number of certified engineers continues to be a goal of the society and we welcome those who elected to gain their certification.

In the evening of the second day the annual banquet was held where the members took time to get re-acquainted and regale the activities of the past two days. A wonderful dinner was enjoyed by all. The banquet was followed by the presentation a lifetime membership award to Gregg Nolan and the presentation of the newly elected officers.

The new officers for 2014/2015 are:

President—Sham Kassab Vice President—Mike O'Donnell Treasurer—Joseph Guerrero Executive Director—Jerry Moore **2013 Conference Highlights**

New Officers



Learning



Food & Fun





Golf outing organizer—Ron Heberger and 2013 first place winner Mike O'Donnell

The President's Message—Sham Kassab

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Happy New Year!

First of all. I'd like to thank our members for their vote of confidence. I'm honored to serve as the president of the society. About 30 years ago, I was invited to join the society which was a very exciting event for me. Over the years countless changes have helped to shape our society allowing us to better serve our members. I am happy to be part of this history, having served in many rewarding roles.

Many people have said that ASGE's greatest assets are its members. I truly believe ASGE continues to be one of the leading technical societies owing to the quality of those who belong to our organization. Consequently, one of the biggest benefits of ASGE membership is the opportunity to network and participate with people from all facets of our industry. I can tell you from my own experience that my career has benefitted immensely from the contacts I have made while participating in ASGE activities. Many of my closest friends are people whom I have met while a member of ASGE.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Committee Chairs for 2013-2015;

Membership – Chad Johnson Marketing - Ellora Larson Technical – Mike O'Donnell Newsletter - Ray Maddock

Sham Kassab

Also, many thanks to our continued Committee Chairs......

Award – Dave Wonnacott Nominating – Dante Cantal Constitution - John DiPaolo Website- Eric Griesemer CGE - Gary Lilienberg Golf - Ron Heberger



Presiding President Nancy Wilson passes the gavel to incoming **President Sham Kassab**

As you may know, our upcoming National Technical Conference will be held on June 2 – 3, 2014, at the South Point Hotel in Las Vegas, NV. So please register and make hotel reservations to take advantage of the \$50.00 Early Bird Discount on registration before April 30. 2014. Our Vice President, Mike O'Donnell, is working on an exciting lineup of presenters and detailed subjects for the conference, which will be posted on our website at a later date.

I look forward to seeing you at the 2014 Technical Conference.

Sincerely and with best wishes,

Sham Kassab President













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ASGE Certified Gas Engineer Program

The American Society of Gas Engineers evaluates applicants for certification as gas engineer. Exams are administered by the ASGE Certified Gas Engineer Committee.

Applicants may prepare for the exam by obtaining a Certified Gas Engineer Study Guide and Reference Manual. ASGE Test Review is also available on CD.

ASGE fees are as follows:

ASGE Officers

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Sham Kassab

Vice President:

Michael O'Donnell

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Joseph Guerrero

Executive Director:

Jerry Moore

Director:

Daryl Hosler

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Dave Wonnacott

Director:

Nancy Wilson

Director:

Gary Liljenberg

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Gary Liljenberg

Nominating:

Dante Cantal

Policy and Planning:

Ellora Larson

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Chad Johnson

Internet Website:

Eric Griesemer

Newsletter:

Ray Maddock

Constitution & Bylaws:

John DiPaolo

Awards:

Dave Wonnacott

ASGE Member annual CGE certification renewal fee: \$20 ASGE Non-Member annual CGE certification renewal fee: \$70

New Member application: \$20 Annual membership dues: \$50 Retired membership dues: \$10.

CGE Exam fee: \$150 Study Guide: \$150 CD study guide: \$150

Fees and purchases can be made online at asge-national.org using Paypal to asgecge@aol.com

ASGE Newest Certified Engineers

Congratulations to our newest Certified Gas Engineers for 2013:

Craig Grider—Intertek

Stephen Hessell—Channel Products Brent Sturgell—Goodman Mfg.

Fatir Syed—Goodman MFG

2013 ASGE attendees







The American Society of Gas Engineers has the following awards that are given to active members and friends of the gas industry:

Founders' Award Life Membership Honorary Membership Honorary Certified Gas Engineer Meritorious Service

The <u>Founders' Award</u> is the highest award of the Society. This award was named for the eight individuals (E.J. Horton, A.F. Craver, K.T. Davis, S.L. Kile, S.C. Marshall, K.H. Flint, John Corsiglia and Charles C. Lamar) who formed the "Gas Appliance Engineers Society" in 1954 in Cleveland, Ohio. It is bestowed upon those individuals who have made dedicated, outstanding contributions of leadership towards the preservation and advancement of the Objectives and Ethics of the Society. Qualified candidates must have 20 years of engineering experience and 10 years of active membership in the Society. Any member of ASGE may nominate another member for this award by submitting a detailed account of the nominee's qualifications to the ASGE Awards Committee. The ASGE Board of Directors makes the final decision regarding nominations. The Founders' Award has been presented to 14 ASGE members since 1976. Recipients of the Founders' Award are also considered to be life members.

The <u>Life Membership</u> award is given to individuals with at least 20 years in the gas industry and 10 years of active membership in the Society without specific requirements for leadership and outstanding contributions to the Society. The ASGE Awards Committee will evaluate qualified individuals on an annual basis for nominations to be approved by the ASGE Board of Directors. Life members are not required to pay annual membership dues after the Life Membership award has been presented. This award has been presented to 42 ASGE members since 1963.

The <u>Honorary Membership</u> award is given to non-ASGE members who have made significant contributions to the gas industry. Nominees may be presented to the ASGE Awards Committee by any ASGE member with final approval by the ASGE Board of Directors. Honorary members are also life members. This award has been presented to ten individuals since 1963.

The <u>Honorary Certified Gas Engineer</u> award is given to a special ASGE member who was eligible but did not apply under the "grandfather" program. Qualifications for the award are 1.) not already C.G.E.; 2.) active ASGE member for at least 20 years; 3.) former chapter president or national officer; 4.) nominated by ASGE peers. Nominees shall be evaluated by the ASGE Awards Committee and approved by the ASGE Board of Directors. Honorary C.G.E. recipients are not required to pay annual C.G.E. renewal fees. This award was presented to one individual (John Fitzgerald) in 2005.

The <u>Meritorious Service</u> award is given to individuals who have made significant contributions to the Society in specific areas. This award does not have any specific leadership or longevity requirements. Nominees shall be identified by the Awards Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. This award was presented to two individuals in 2012.



A lifetime membership was given to the 2013 ASGE award recipient, Gregg Nolan.