

# Summer/Fall 2022 NEWSLETTER

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**Hello to all ASGE  
members and CGEs!**

## **LETTER FROM ASGE PRESIDENT ERIC BRUTON**

President Eric Bruton discusses this past summer's Technical Conference, Industry Standards News, and what is next for ASGE!

## **2023 Technical Conference!**

The 2023 National Technical Conference will be held June 4th—June 6th, 2023 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

## **MEMBER NEWS!**

ASGE has had many new members and CGEs added to our Roster.

## **GET TO KNOW OUR DIRECTOR!**

Get to Nancy Wilson our fearless leader!

## **A LOOK BACK...**

Pictures from the 2022 Technical Conference. Members receive awards, presentations, and Golf!

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



HELLO TO MY FELLOW MEMBERS AND FRIENDS!

The summer is coming to a close. I cannot believe we are into the month of September! Life and the business week seems to be moving faster and faster and become busier and busier.

Firstly, I want to thank everyone on behalf of ASGE who attended this year's Technical Conference back in June. We had great attendance even considering not having it the last two years due to Covid. We had our first ever "Fun Night" at an escape room. It was so much fun. Many jokes were made about having a room full of engineers problem solving and working together! Scott Lackie our Vice President did an outstanding job with scheduling the presenters. The presentations were great and very informative. The presentation slides can be found on the website under the "Conferences" tab.

As it is every two years, it will be interesting as we approach November and midterm elections. There seems to be more questions than answers in the Industry and our businesses when thinking about materials, availability, and labor. Will there be any changes to standards or the economy? Will we go into a recession? What are we to expect and how do we plan for the next year? Time will tell!

In case you are not aware, The Department of Energy (DOE) and some local ordinances are pushing for increases in efficiencies on gas appliances. I encourage you to take time to familiarize yourself with what is occurring in our industry. The DOE has been requested to provide evidence that supports the changes they are suggesting, but they are giving weak arguments or denying the requests altogether. Every week the AGA Building Energy Codes and Standards Committee sends out an update on industry standards rulings and the industry's responses. On our website, under the "Industry" tab you can find the updates. We at ASGE implore you our members to get involved in this ongoing fight. Whether it is through our Society or through some other pro-gas association. ASGE sent out an email correspondence from Dave Delaquila on how to get involved and get information from ASHRAE. Please take the time to review this correspondence.

Some of you might be asking "What is next for ASGE?" The obvious answer is next year's Technical Conference. Dates can be found later in the newsletter. We are still working on the revamping of the CGE Exam and Study Guide. We are putting together a team of gas professionals to review and check content. The intent is also to insert new technology, terms, and definitions that might have changed over the years. We continue to work on our social media platform, starting with Linked-In. Look for more information by the end of this year.

Another project that is near and dear to my heart is organizing and recording the history of ASGE. Our Society is becoming younger on experience with each new member and CGE certification. We are growing in number and adapting to the new industry landscape that is unfolding in front of us. With these exciting changes I felt that it was important to capture the rich history of the Society. From its beginnings in 1954, to regional chapters, to the National format in 2006, to present day, there have been many members, thousands to be exact, that have contributed and been a part of ASGE.



## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT continued

It is important to not forget those individuals and their accomplishments for the Society. There is the famous saying, "To know where you are going, you have to know where you have been." This is very true. Our Society is prestigious with a rich history. We have been a constant for many years for the gas industry. Now more than ever it is important for us to provide that guidance. As we look to the future, I believe it is important that we all know where we came from and the statutes the Society built. At next years Technical Conference we will be offering a session on Monday afternoon to present the history of the Society. Be sure to keep a look out for when and where so you can attend!

We would love for our members to help with the many different committees we have within ASGE. Please consider getting involved. It is honestly not very time consuming or a large workload. These committees give great opportunity to get to know other industry professionals and fellow ASGE members.

What can ASGE do for you? Our intent is to serve you the members with information and avenues for networking and participation. Please contact [asgecge@aol.com](mailto:asgecge@aol.com) with any needs or ideas and we will get you together with the correct people.

Eric Bruton President of ASGE

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### NATIONAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCE, 2023

Sunday, June 4th through Tuesday June 6th at South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sunday June 4th	Board Meeting (closed)
Monday June 5th	Golf Outing (am) CGE Exam Review (am) CGE Exam (pm) History of ASGE (pm) Fun Night! (pm)
Tuesday June 6th	Technical Presentations (am—pm) Presidents dinner and Awards (pm)

\*Exact times will be updated as the conference approaches

# WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

**Victor Manrique**

**Jonathan Peng**

**James Becker**

**Hans Wenzel**

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW CGEs!

**Jon Flick**

**Jonathan Peng**

**Marcelo Mendez**

**Aaron Nichols**

**Kent Nelson**

**Victor Manrique**

**Hans Wenzel**

**Austin Schroeder**

**Paul Sohler**

**German Ramirez**

**Lucas Hays**

**Bo Gao**

**Liwaans Amuthan**

**Armando Gonzalez**

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# GET TO KNOW OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR!

**Nancy Wilson**

**ASGE Executive Director**

**Nancy started in the gas industry in 1986. She worked for Scheel and Associates, a gas appliance component manufacturer representative as a technician. In 1999 she became President of the Company.**

**In 2006 she joined CSA Group, consumer product evaluation division as senior technical lead, and continues to expand in that position to present time.**

**Nancy's involvement in the gas industry spread over 35 + years focusing mainly on the following gas fired appliances:**

**Indoor household cooking**

**Food service equipment**

**Outdoor cooking**

**Outdoor decorative equipment**

**Patio heaters**

**Residential and commercial dryers, and**

**Construction heaters**

**In addition to the above, Nancy sits and actively participates on the following gas industry technical sub-committees:**

**ANSI.Z21.1 - Household Cooking Gas Appliances**

**ANSI.Z21.5.1 - Gas Clothes Dryers, Volume I, Type 1 Dryers**

**ANSI.Z21.5.2 - Gas Clothes Dryers, Volume II, Type 2 Dryers**

**ANSI.Z21.42 - Gas Fired Illuminating Appliances**

**ANSI.Z21.57 - Recreational Vehicle Cooking Gas Appliances**

**ANSI.Z21.58 - Outdoor Cooking Gas Appliances**

**ANSI.Z21.72 - Portable Gas Camp Stoves**

**ANSI.Z21.73 - Portable Type Gas Lights**

**ANSI.Z21.89 - Outdoor Specialty Gas Appliances**

## **MEET THE DIRECTOR** CONTINUED

**ANSI.Z21.97 - Outdoor Decorative Gas Appliances**

**ANSI.Z83.7 - Gas Fired Construction Heaters**

**CSA Z630:19 - Barbecue Grill Brushes**

**Nancy's involvement with ASGE started when she joined in 1991. She became Central Chapter Treasurer in 1997, a position she held until 2005.**

**In 2011 she became the first lady President at the National level. During this period the National Technical Conference expanded to attendance beyond 50 members and guests.**

**In 2016 Nancy was honored with the Life Membership Award, and became National Executive Director in 2019.**

**When asked about the future of ASGE and her personal vision of it, here is what Nancy had to say:**

**We, as a Society have a unique opportunity to speak directly to our industry, and without continued growth through membership and active participation we cannot impact our industry; and with the current electrification and decarbonization push at all political levels, this is extremely important... we must stress involvement and active participation.**

**Finally, Nancy's conclusion in a few words was simply the following:**

**"In a nutshell, we must all work together for the betterment of our industry"**



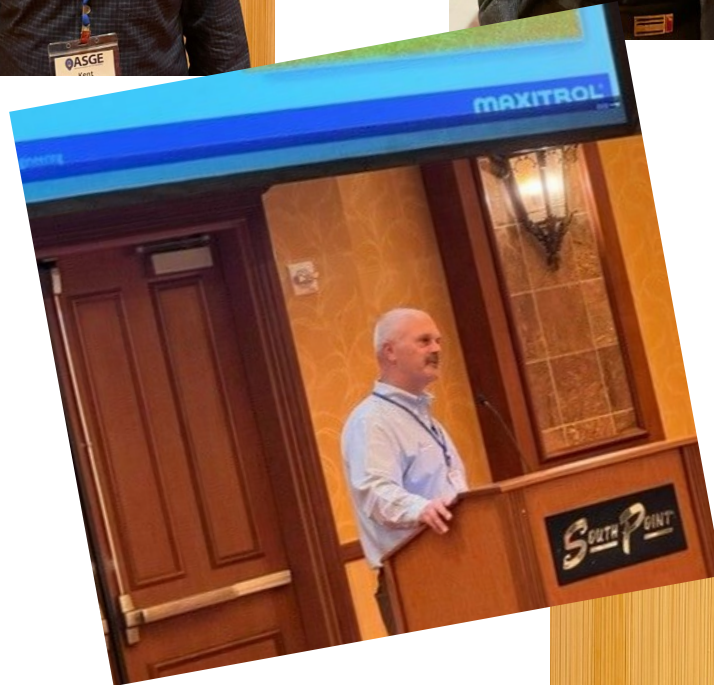
# A Look Back to the 2022 Technical Conference

## GOLF OUTING





## PRESENTERS AND PRESENTATIONS









## AWARDS



**Bill Salem presented the Founders Award to Dave Wonnacott.**

**Dave was unable to attend so he asked that Mike O'Donnell accept the award in his absence.**

**Dante Cantal was given the distinguished C.G.E. Hall of Fame Award.**



**Eric Bruton presented Bill Salem the distinguished C.G.E. Hall of Fame Award.**



## **AWARDS continued**

Gary Liljenberg and Mike O'Donnell both received the prestigious Life Membership Award.

## **AWARD DESCRIPTIONS**

### **Certified Gas Engineer Hall of Fame**

ASGE Member for 5 years, CGE for 5 years, Attend at least 3 ASGE Technical Conferences, Provide a significant contribution to ASGE related to gas engineering.

### **Founders Award**

20 years in the gas industry, 10 years active in ASGE with meritorious contributions to the Society, Shows dedication and outstanding contributions of leadership towards the advancement of the objectives and ethics of the Society

### **Life Membership Award**

Active ASGE member with at least 20 years of gas industry engineering or science related to gas engineering, 10 years as a voting member of the Society

### **Meritorious Service Award**

For outstanding contributions to the society

## **AWARD NOMINATIONS**

ASGE is accepting nominations for Awards to be presented at the 2023 Technical Conference. Please submit nominations to [asgecge@aol.com](mailto:asgecge@aol.com). Nominations need to be submitted by the end of the year for consideration leading up to the conference.

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