

# "CONNEX-IT"

## NORTHERN OHIO CHAPTER ASSE/ASPE SCHEDULE OF JOINT UPCOMING EVENTS:

**January 11, 2012**  
**Green Plumbing Design**  
**Bob Dean -Presenter**  
**and Speaker**

**February 8, 2012**  
**Topic and Speaker TBA**

- † Joint meetings with ASPE are held at Harry's Steak House, 5654 Brecksville Road (Route 21), in Independence, just north of Rockside Road and I-77.
- † Each Training Session starts with a Product Show at 5:00 PM. NOH Chapter Board Meetings convene at 5:00 PM also, and dinner follows at 6:00 PM.
- † Each Training Session/Joint Meeting and dinner will cost \$24.00 per person (subject to change) payable at the door.
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## A Message from your Northern Ohio President ...

**December 22, 2011**

*Hello to all,  
I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!*



**Jason Shank**  
**President Of the Northern Ohio**  
**Chapter of ASSE**

*As this year is coming to a close, it is always good to reflect back on the events of the past year to help guide us in the New Year. I include becoming President of the Northern Ohio Chapter of ASSE at the start of this year as one of the best events for myself professionally and personally. The opportunity to work with and learn from a wide range of people in the plumbing industry has been overwhelming. It still amazes me how many people give so much of their time and efforts to promote and protect the good health that we sometimes take for granted in this country. I would like to take the time to thank everyone who has taken the time to do this, not just this year but in the many years before and find comfort in the thought that this will continue this coming year and beyond.*

*Our Chapter's upcoming events for 2012 will include many of the annual events such as the monthly Chapter meetings, Apprenticeship Contest at Local 55, Golf Outing and Clam Bake. Some new events that are in the planning stages are working with area Boy Scouts on the importance of Plumbing, attending more community events to promote ASSE and getting more involved with World Plumbing Day at some local area schools.*

*In conclusion, I would like to invite all of you to either continue to be involved or become involved with this year's upcoming events which will be updated in the newsletters upcoming months. If you have any suggestions to help promote or educate good plumbing practices please feel free to let us know. Again, Happy Holidays and help us make it another good year for the Northern Ohio Plumbing Industry. See you all at the next Chapter meeting on January 11th.*

**Jason Shank**  
**President of NOH Chapter**



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DECEMBER 14, 2011 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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***Northern Ohio Chapter of ASSE Meeting Minutes Dec. 14th, 2011***

***Members in Attendance - Terry Tahsler, Bob Tesar, Pat Sugrue, Dan Sugrue, Rich Prospal, Ken Kerr, Ed Lyczko and Jason Shank***

***Meeting Starting Time – 5:00 P.M.***

- 1. Review/Approval of Minutes - No official meeting was held on Nov. 9th due to the fact that most Board members where at the Annual Meeting.***
- 2. Chapter Financial Statements –***
  - o Current totals - \$4,653.63 as of Dec. 14th, 2011*
  - o List of expenses and income since May 11th, 2011 – List of Expenses reviewed and approved*
  - o Talked about monthly account charge expense from bank being to high – Terry will look into this and report at next meeting.*
  - o Bob – to resend invoices for Ads in the monthly news letter to Terry for mailing to advertisers on NOH ASSE paperwork.*
- 3. Reimbursements***
  - o Jason was paid for travel to Annual meeting completed*
  - o Rich was repaid for the cost of making Chapter sign- completed*
  - o Jason to get an easel(no expense) for meeting sign*
  - o Chapter split cost with ASPE for gift card for waitress at Harry's steak house - \$25 - Completed*
- 4. Committee Reports***
  - o Ed is chairing the series 6000 committee revision – call for working group went out this week*



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# December 14, 2011 NOH Board Meeting Minutes Report -Continued

## 5. Letter from International Office

- o Dues – reviewed – no further action needed
- o Financials – Terry will take care of when all info comes in – Board voted not to include account number or phone
- o Bylaws – On file already – no further action needed
- o Officers – no further action needed – current officers in until Jan. 2013. Elections for 2013 -2014 will be held in Fall of next year (2012).

## 6. Michigan Chapter meeting/banquet

- o Sat. 28th – Pat,, Ken and Rich are going – All members are encouraged to attend.

## 7. ASSE Annual Meeting

- o Jason filed his report and it was published in the November 2011 “Connex-It”
- o Discussed that the dues refund to the chapters from the International Society, brought up at the President’s Liaison Meeting in New Orleans, Topic is on the agenda for the 1st quarter International Board meeting – gave recommendations to Rich.

## 8. Old Business –

- o Jason was asked if the UA journal published the Moen/NOH chapter training article – It has yet to be published.
- o Open House 2012 – Jason reported that this has been on the back burner – Jason will get a meeting set up with all parties to set a new date, what to have and finalize the questionnaire.

## 9. New Business

- o Jason reported sometime in early Feb. he will be getting the Plumbing Merit Badge going with Local 55 – Jason asked if anyone wants to be a part of this from ASSE – All said yes. NOH chapter will help – Rich also said that the World Plumbing would like to be a part of this.
- o Discussion of maybe giving a token ASSE gift/handout to the scouts from ASSE
- o Terry – Asked if the chapter wanted to promote plumbing at an annual strawberry festival in June. Chapter agreed – Terry to get dates and info
- o Rich – World Plumbing Day March 11th – Rich is looking for more schools and people for talks and poster contest.
- o Terry said he can do Parma Schools
- o Jason said maybe he can do Independence Primary School
- o Rich could do Brunswick Schools
- o Rich to get info packets to all of the Board members
- o Local 55/ NOH Chapter Apprenticeship Contest – Jason to bring possible dates to next meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 5:50 P.M. – Pat motioned the issue and Bob seconded it.



# NOH Chapter of ASSE / Cleveland Chapter of ASPE December 14, 2011 Joint Training Session/Meeting



*On December 14, 2011, approximately 30 members and guests from the Northern Ohio Chapter of ASSE and the Cleveland Chapter of ASPE were assembled for a Joint Training Session and Buffet Style Dinner. Attendance was slightly down this month because of the close proximity to the Christmas Holiday hustle and bustle. Kristy Carek, General Manager, from Square One Gas & Cryo Equipment LLC, presented a very comprehensive program on "Design Guidelines for High Purity Gas Delivery Systems. Cindy was pinch hitting for Dennis Hache, who was originally scheduled to be the presenter, but because of urgent business commitments was unable to make the presentation.*

*Kristy produced a Power Point Presentation that addressed topics such as: What are the right questions to ask when designing a system; Inlet pressures, delivery pressures, flow rates, and pipe vs, tube pressure and flow calculations. She expounded on gas supply modes; common gases used and the types of cylinders used to supply the system.*

*Common gases used in different industrial, commercial and hospital applications include Compressed Medical Air, Industrial Air, Argon, Carbon Dioxide, Helium, Hydrogen, Nitrogen, Nitrous Oxide, Oxygen and specialized mixtures of all. She produced charts and graphs representing the calculations for Pipe & Tube. Some of the critical parameters are the pressure and flow requirement including delivery pressure and point-of-use pressure. She further went on to explain the types of manifolds needed to maximize the requirement for critical or non-critical demands going from protocol stations for low demand non-critical, to critical auto changeover and fully automatic switchover for super critical applications. Thank you Kristy for an informative and wonderful presentation.*

*Visit: [www.asse-plumbing.org/chapters/region06\\_noh.html](http://www.asse-plumbing.org/chapters/region06_noh.html) for Kristy's complete training information.*



**Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year from the  
Northern Ohio Chapter!**



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Additional details and Training aids are available at the site.**

# Additional Happenings at the Northern Ohio Chapter January 11, 2011

## *Up-Coming Scheduled Joint Meetings at Harry's Steakhouse*

- Wednesday January 11, 2012  
Green Plumbing Design  
Bob Dean - Speaker & Presenter



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# 2011 Annual Meeting Report for the Northern Ohio Chapter of ASSE (Reprinted)

## 2011 Annual Meeting Report for the Northern Ohio Chapter of ASSE from New Orleans, LA - by Jason Shank

November 23, 2011

### Report for the 2012 Annual ASSE Meeting – Jason Shank

1. **Wed. Nov. 9th**
  - a. Cross Connection Committee Meeting – 1st
    - i. Pushing to do more on line testing
    - ii. Allowing 1 free retest on BF tester exam if online.
    - iii. Developing a Power Point/break down for what proctors are to do because some are complaining about it being too wordy
    - iv. ASSE pushing hard into a couple of states to get the ASSE program as the state BF program - Want all 50 states
    - v. Talk about going to BF schools for recert – On site inspections
    - vi. Many members of ASSE that were also Members of 669 – UA traveling Sprinkler Local
    - vii. Missed the 2nd part of meeting to attend the President’s liaison Meeting
  - b. President Liaison Meeting
    - i. Talked about chapter news – good bad upcoming
    - ii. Ideas for 2012 and 2013 meeting
    - iii. Membership down all around
    - iv. Motion to board that the ASSE International increase dues pay back without an increase in dues.
    - v. Motion to Board to have ASSE International become more involved with face book and twitter
2. **Thursday Nov. 10th**
  - a. Professional Qualifications Committee
    - i. Setting committee for revision of the Med. Gas 6000 – ED Lyczko Chair
    - ii. Fire stopping Standard about 6 months off
    - iii. Inspectors Standard very close to approval
    - iv. Adopted a “Standards Procedure”
  - b. Board of Directors #1 – Out going Board
    - i. Report of all the meetings that took place to the board
    - ii. Financial Report
  - c. ASSE Business Session #1
    - i. Proposed By laws changes all Passed but # 8
    - ii. Reports given
    - iii. Nominations – Rich Prospal Region 6 and Bob Tesar Region 8

## Report for the 2012 Annual ASSE Meeting – Jason Shank (Continued)

3. **Friday Nov. 11th**
  - a. ASSE Business Session #2
    - i. Voting for Officers – New Pres. Don Summers – Region 6 – Rich Prospal
    - ii. Installation of new Officers
  - b. E.J. Zimmer Technical Session
    - i. Kathy Maka from NITC talked about test writing for certifications and writing of questions for exams – To get Power Point from her
    - ii. New NITC Med. Gas recert to NFPA 2012 coming late Fed 2012. Only testing people as they come up for recert to NFPA 2005. Online or written
    - iii. Site visit to New Orleans Pump Station #6 – See attached sheets for some more info – Talked to the people who were working the day of Katrina.
  - c. Awards Banquet
    - i. NOH Chapter did not receive any awards
    - ii. Bob Tesar's Grandson (Sean Dolansky) won a scholarship for \$1500 dollars
4. **Saturday Nov. 12th**
  - a. Board of Directors #2 – Incoming Board
    - i. Topics for upcoming Plumbing Standards
    - ii. 2012 Annual meeting in Philadelphia Non 7-10 – some talk about making 1 day longer 6-10. Site not big enough to do a trade show looking to do this 2013
    - iii. E.J. Zimmer Sessions 2012 – talked about not having it – decided to have it on Green issues and topics
    - iv. 2013 annual meeting site – to be decided at 1st quarter board meeting – maybe with ASPE's national meeting the week before or after
      - v. Date and sites for quarterly board meetings
      - vi. Strategic Planning – decided to bring in 2 firms at the next Board meeting.
      - vii. Investment options – Tabled until settle on Strategic planning
      - viii. CHT agreement with ASSE – talked about ASSE not endorsing anything and how on the website it may seem that way.
5. **General Thoughts**
  - a. ASSE, UA and IAPMO are working closer and closer – More MOU's this year
  - b. A couple of new and younger faces at this year's meetings but not many.
  - c. It was reported that there where over 100 signed up for this years meeting.

See pages 7 & 8 for New Orleans Pumping Station Tour Brochure

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Jason Shank**  
Jason Shank  
President of NOH Chapter

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