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**From the President:**



A special thank you to George Foradis with S.A. Comunale for being our guest speaker at the November Technical Meeting on the topic, Constructability and Fabrication Shop Tour.

Please welcome our newest member to the Cleveland Chapter; Timothy Baker with AECOM.

Congratulations to Nico Romero for recently passing the ASPE CPDT exam!

I was in the Rosemont area and stopped by ASPE's office. It was during Thanksgiving weekend, so unfortunately, I was unable to visit with ASPE staff!



The December Technical Session will be on the topic, Boiler Room Gas Safety, presented by Tony DeDionisio with AGS.

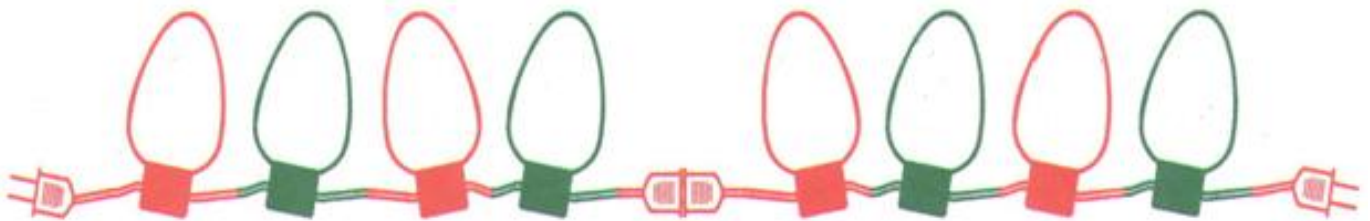
The December 14, 2022 Lunch Meeting will be held at Antonio's Brew Wall located at 3161 Heritage Center Drive, Copley, Ohio 44321.

11:30 – 11:50 Chapter Board Meeting  
11:50 – 12:00 Sign-In / Meet and Greet  
12:00 – 1:00 Lunch during Presentation

Please RSVP by Noon on December 12, 2022 with Kevin Noble at [knoble@sbmce.com](mailto:knoble@sbmce.com). Lunch price is FREE. Lunch is sponsored by ASPE Cleveland Chapter. Please support your local chapter by attending.

Let us know if there are any specific topics you would like to see our chapter sponsor. We are always looking for new ideas. Remember, without membership and participation, there is no local chapter.

Regards,  
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December 2022**

<u><b>Date – Time – Place</b></u>	<u><b>Topic</b></u>	<u><b>Speaker</b></u>	<u><b>Exhibitors</b></u>
September 14, 2022 – 6:00 PM Cleveland Yachting Club	Clam Bake Topic – Social Event ASPE Cleveland Chapter	N/A	N/A
October 12, 2022 – 12:00 PM Disney McLane  Cost: Free (Limit 30 people)	System Startup Procedures – Emergency Gas and Digital Mixing Valves	Kim Metzger – Disney McLane	Disney McLane
November 9, 2022 – 12:00 PM S.A. Comunale  Cost: Free	Constructability Fab Shop Tour immediately following	Representative from S.A. Comunale	N/A
<b>December 14, 2022 – 12:00 PM</b> <b>Antonio's Brew Wall - Copley, OH</b> <b>See Newsletter for additional info</b>  <b>Cost: Free</b>	<b>Boiler Room Gas Safety</b>	<b>Tony DeDionisio - AGS</b>	<b>Diversified Spec Sales</b>
January 11, 2023 – 12:00 PM Harry's Steakhouse  Cost: \$20)	NFPA 99 Medical Gas Systems Medical Gas Zone Valve Box Layout	Josh Pedraja – Pattons Medical	Pattons Medical
February 8, 2023 – 6:00 PM Midwest Spec  Cost: FREE! (Limit 25 people)	Polypropylene	Jim Devlin – Midwest Spec Sales	N/A
March 8, 2023 – 6:00 PM Harry's Steakhouse  Cost:\$20	Siphonic Roof Drainage	Mifab Representative	Pinnacle Sales
April 12, 2023 – 6:00 PM  Location TBD  Cost:\$20	Plumbing Code	TBD	N/A
May 10, 2023 – 6:00 PM  Location TBD  Cost:\$20	Plumbing Code  This month we will be holding our Chapter Board Elections! Please show your support and attend to cast your vote!	TBD	N/A

**2022-2023 ASPE Meeting/Plumbing Class Schedule  
December 2022**

The above is the meeting/plumbing class schedule for the 2022-2023 ASPE year. Updated information will appear in subsequent newsletter issues. All meetings will be at Harry's Steakhouse, 5664 Old Brecksville Road, Independence unless otherwise indicated. The meeting/plumbing class, including dinner, is \$20.00. Reservations are required. A mini product show will be held before each meeting/plumbing class highlighting some of the materials discussed in class or products that will assist the engineer in understanding what they are designing or specifying. All plumbing classes will qualify for 0.1CEU hours and will assist in preparation for the ASPE CPD examination.

The following times will be enforced as strictly as possible.  
Make your reservations a minimum of two days before the meeting/class and try to be on time.

**Evening Seminars:**

- Chapter Board Meeting 5:00 - 5:30 pm
- Sign-in / Meet and Greet / Vendor Product Displays 5:00 - 6:00 pm
- Dinner 6:00 - 6:30 pm
- Presentation 6:30 - 6:45 pm
- Vendor Product Displays 6:45 - 7:45 pm

**Lunchtime Seminars:**

- Mini Product Show 11:30 - 11:45 am
- Sign-In / Meet and Greet / Vendor Product Displays 11:45 - 12:00 pm
- Lunch 12:00 - 12:30 pm (Seminar to begin during lunch)
- Presentation 12:00 - 1:00pm



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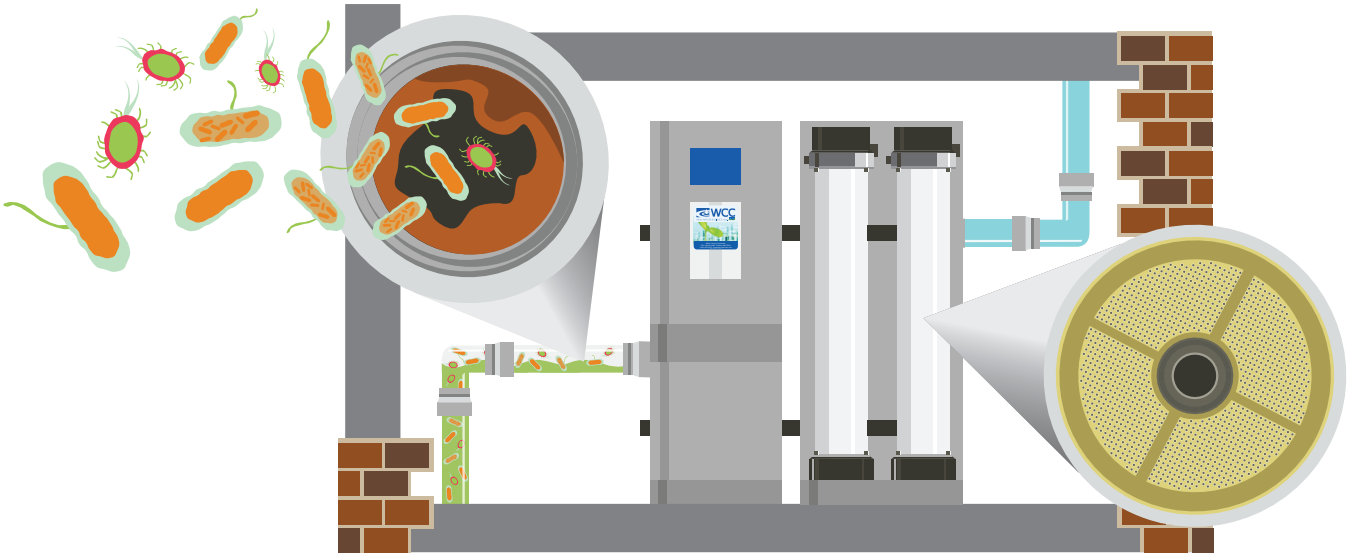
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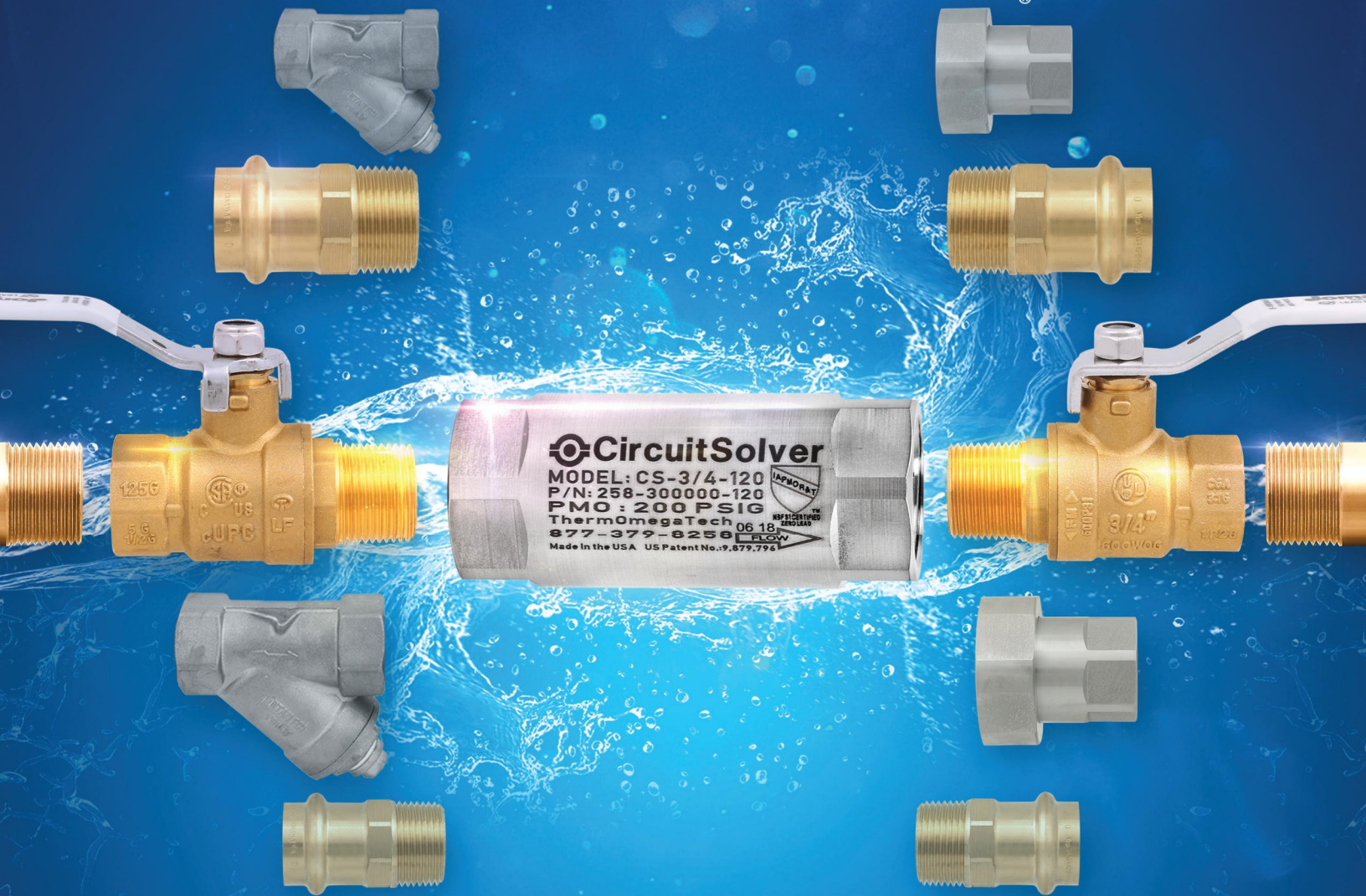






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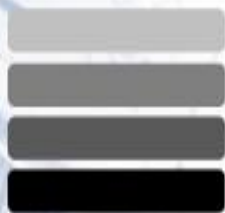
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## **BBS MEMO #413 – Definition of Registered Design Professional**

The Board was recently requested to provide clarification to the definition of registered design professional in the Ohio Building Code. Currently, the code defines registered design professional as “Any architect holding a certificate issued under sections 4703.10 and 4703.36 of the Revised Code or any engineer holding a certificate issued under section 4733.14 of the Revised Code.”

Revised Code § [4703.10](#) addresses the certificate to practice architecture issued by the State Board of Examiners of Architects while § [4703.36](#) addresses the registration of landscape architects with the Ohio Landscape Architects Board. Finally, Revised Code § [4733.14](#) addresses registration of professional engineers by the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors. The scope of practice of these professions are regulated through their respective Boards, and certified building department personnel should not reject construction documents solely based on questions regarding use or appearance of a professional seal or scope of practice. These matters and all others involving regulation of the profession should be referred to the appropriate registration Board.

Ohio Building Code (OBC) § 106.2.1 requires construction documents bear the seal of a registered design professional, but there are important exceptions to this requirement. Please review these exceptions to remind yourself of these options afforded an owner particularly those projects that do not involve technical design analysis as defined in this section. If a seal of a registered design professional is required on construction documents, then building department personnel should verify that the person is in fact registered by the appropriate registration Board. This can be done through [Ohio eLicense Look-Up](#). Discrepancies should be reported to the appropriate registration Board and included in an adjudication order per OBC § 109 like any other item of non-compliance.

Additionally, if a seal of a registered design professional is required on construction documents, then any profession discussed above may submit sealed documents. To provide this clarification, the following revision to the definition of registered design professional has been approved by the Board for incorporation into the code in the next update:

*REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL. Any architect holding a certificate issued under ~~sections~~ section 4703.10 ~~and of the Revised Code~~, any landscape architect holding a certificate issued under section 4703.36 of the Revised Code, or any engineer holding a certificate issued under section 4733.14 of the Revised Code.*

**These amendments are solely for clarification purposes and do not expand or change the intent of the application of the definition today.**

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