

## President's Message

Dear Nebraska ASHRAE Members:

Our Annual **Dodgeball Tournament** is this Saturday, **February 9<sup>th</sup>** at Digz. Please join us to play for GLORY or to play for FUN. See the chapter website for additional information, [www.neashrae.org](http://www.neashrae.org) or contact Jake Kopocis at [jkopocis@controlservices.com](mailto:jkopocis@controlservices.com).

I hope you will plan on attending our **February 12<sup>th</sup>** Omaha meeting or the **February 13<sup>th</sup>** Lincoln meeting as our Nebraska Chapter will have the honor of **2012-2013 ASHRAE Society President, Tom Watson** speaking at each meeting! His presidential theme for the year is "Broadening ASHRAE's Horizons", which emphasizes the role of ASHRAE members as leaders in the application of sustainable design and practices in our communities worldwide. Please join me in welcoming President Watson to Nebraska!

E-week is February 17-23 with the **Annual E-Week Banquet** on Thursday, **February 21<sup>st</sup>** at Strategic Air and Space Museum. Look for the sign up flyer with additional information.

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** is the **AEI/ASHRAE Expo** at the Embassy Suites in LaVista. Attendee registration is open with early attendee registration through February 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information and to register visit [www.aei-ashraexpo.org](http://www.aei-ashraexpo.org).

Plan to watch the ASHRAE Webcast on "**Assessing Building Energy Performance: From Principles to Practice**" on **April 18<sup>th</sup>**. **The local Trane office has generously offered to host the webcast!**

If you are interested in getting involved with our chapter, we have several opportunities and some committee co-chair positions available. Please contact me if you are interested and if you have any questions or comments, [rmeyersick@schemmer.com](mailto:rmeyersick@schemmer.com).

Thank you for supporting ASHRAE!

Sincerely,

Renee Meyersick

Nebraska Chapter of ASHRAE President 2012-2013

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### Chapter Officers:

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Renee Meyersick

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**Special Events**

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**Annual E-Week Banquet**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**ANNUAL E-WEEK BANQUET  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013**

**Sponsored by the Engineer's Roundtable**  
0.1 Continuing Education Units (CEU) or  
1.0 Professional Development Hours (PDH) available

*Banquet Location:*

Strategic Air and Space Museum  
28210 West Park Highway  
Ashland, NE 68003  
6:00 PM – Social Hour (Cash Bar)  
7:00 PM – Banquet & Speaker

**LOOK FOR THE SIGN-UP FLYER WITH  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SOON!**

**Engineers Roundtable website:**  
<http://engineerroundtable.org/>

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**Construction Specifications Institute Event**

The Nebraska Chapter of CSI is holding a panel discussion at its March meeting on "The Risks and Rewards of Delegated Design". This is a subject that touches all the construction trades from project start to finish. All of the CSI meetings are open to any interested parties and not just members. This topic will be of special interest to your organization and we encourage your members to attend. Would you please forward this information to your membership? We greatly appreciate it and thank you.

CSI Alpha Omega Event

Panel discussion on the "Risks & Rewards of Delegated Design"

Where: Anthony's, 7220 "F" Street, Omaha, NE

When: March 11, 2013

Time: Social 5:30-6:00

Dinner 6:00-7:00

Meeting 7:00-8:30

Cost: \$20 dinner

RSVP by 3/7/13: Sarah Banks @ 402-494-9393 or e-mail [sbanks@sghinc.com](mailto:sbanks@sghinc.com)

**CSI's Mission Statement**

"The Construction Specifications Institute advances the process of creating and sustaining the built environment for the benefit of the construction community by using the diversity of its members to exchange knowledge."



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## YEA Member News

*Please encourage the YEA members in your area to apply for the following opportunities:*

### Applications now being accepted: Leadership U

Do you know of any YEA Members who would be interested in learning about the roles and responsibilities of ASHRAE Leaders? Through Leadership U (offered by the YEA Institute), a handful of YEA members will be selected for the [2013 ASHRAE Annual Conference in Denver, CO](#) to be matched up with Society Officers and participate in all of their events, board meetings, and social activities.

Leadership U not only allows YEA members to experience a conference like an Officer, but it is also a great opportunity to network and form connections with those active in ASHRAE. If selected to participate in Leadership U, the costs of attending the Conference (transportation, lodging and registration) will be covered by ASHRAE.

**Criteria:** All applicants must be ASHRAE members and 35 years of age or younger as of June 30, 2013.

**Deadline:** All applications must be received by the close of business Monday, March 18, 2013.

[Apply Now for  
Leadership U](#)

### Applications now being accepted: YEA Scholarship for HVAC Design Essentials Workshop

Presented by the ASHRAE Learning Institute, the [HVAC Design Essentials Training](#) allows attendees to gain the fundamentals and technical aspects to design, install and maintain HVAC systems. To encourage attendance by young professional ASHRAE members, the YEA Institute offers one full scholarship for attendance to the HVAC Design: Level I – Essentials training. The full cost of registration to Level I of this workshop will be covered by ASHRAE. Training that will be held June 3-5, 2013 at ASHRAE Headquarters, Foundation Learning Center.

**Criteria:** All applicants must be ASHRAE members and 35 years of age or younger as of June 30, 2013 (student members are not eligible). Applicants will be reviewed based on contribution to the industry, ASHRAE involvement and career goals.

**Deadline:** Please complete the scholarship application by Monday, April 1, 2013.

[Apply Now for the  
YEA Scholarship](#)

If you have any questions about Leadership U or the YEA Scholarship, please contact Rhiannon Loomis at [rloomis@ashrae.org](mailto:rloomis@ashrae.org) or 678-539-1178.

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## Second Annual AEI/ASHRAE Conference



Second Annual AEI/ASHRAE Expo 2013-Omaha, NE

MARCH 6, 2013

[Vendor and attendee registration is open](#)

[Early vendor registration ends January 10<sup>th</sup>](#)

To register and attend any of the sessions [click here](#).

The event is sponsored by the Nebraska Chapters of AEI and ASHRAE and will be held at Embassy Suites Omaha-La Vista Conference Center.

The **AEI/ASHRAE Expo** is a one day event. The event consists of a 20 technical sessions on different building systems, technologies and applications. In addition to the technical presentations throughout the day, there will be a large central exposition with product representatives showing products and services for a wide variety of building materials and technologies. Continuing education credits are available to session attendees.

For those not attending technical sessions, the expo floor will be available to free of charge

For more information you can visit the website at [www.aei-ashraexpo.org](http://www.aei-ashraexpo.org) or email us at [info@aei-ashraexpo.org](mailto:info@aei-ashraexpo.org)

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## Omaha Meeting – Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013

- Location:** Anthony’s Steakhouse, 7220 F Street, Omaha, NE 68127  
**Check-in:** 11:30 a.m. (Please arrive early to facilitate serving meals)  
**Lunch:** To be served prior to 12:00 p.m.  
**Menu:** Club Sirloin **\$21.00**  
Chicken Cordon Bleu **\$16.00**  
Grilled Salmon **\$16.00**  
**Topics:** Broadening ASHRAE’s Horizons  
**Speaker:** Thomas Watson, Chief Engineer, Daikin McQuay, ASHRAE President

**Pre-registration for this meeting would be GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!**

**Reservation required by Monday, Feb. 11, 2013:** Nick Mandel, Specialized Engineering  
[nmandel@specializedeng.com](mailto:nmandel@specializedeng.com)

## Omaha and Lincoln Featured Speaker

**Thomas "Tom" Watson, Chief Engineer  
Daikin McQuay, Staunton, VA  
ASHRAE President**

Thomas “Tom” Watson is a chief engineer, Daikin McQuay, Staunton, Virginia. As ASHRAE’s president, Watson directs the Society’s Board of Directors and oversees the Executive Committee. His presidential theme is *Broadening ASHRAE’s Horizons*.

Past service includes chair, Members Council and Technology Council, President-Elect Advisory Committee, the Strategies for a Global Environment Ad Hoc Committee and the Advocacy Committee; and vice chair of the Vision 2020 Ad Hoc Committee. He also served as a member of the Advanced Energy Design Guide Steering Committee.

Watson became involved in ASHRAE in 1972 and became a member of Technical Committee 8.2, Centrifugal Machines, soon thereafter. He served as member of the Standard 34, Designation and Safety Classification of Refrigerants, committee in the early 1990s and also served as chair of the Standard 15 committee, Safety Standard for Refrigeration Systems. While remaining active in ASHRAE’s standards activities, especially internationally, Watson also has held several positions on the Society’s Board of Directors. He is past Society president-elect, treasurer, vice president and a director-at-large. Most recently, he served as chair of the committee that oversaw the Society’s rebranding, rolled out in January 2012.

Watson is a recipient of the Standards Achievement Award and Exceptional Service Award. He received a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from Virginia Tech in 1966 and a Master of Science in mechanical engineering from West Virginia University in 1969.

## Future Omaha Chapter Meetings

Mar. 12 <sup>th</sup>	ASHRAE Distinguished Lecturer – TBD	11:45 @ Anthony’s
Apr. 9 <sup>th</sup>	UNO Student Chapter Meeting	11:45 @ Anthony’s
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Facility Tour – TBD	TBD
June	ASHRAE Golf Outing	TBD



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## Lincoln Meeting – Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**Location:** Valentino's, 35<sup>th</sup> & Holdrege, Lincoln  
**Check-in:** Noon (Please arrive early to facilitate serving meals)  
**Lunch:** To be served prior to 12:00 p.m.  
**Menu:** Buffet **\$13.00** Please note new price!  
**Topic:** Broadening ASHRAE's Horizons  
**Speaker:** Thomas Watson, Chief Engineer, Daikin McQuay, ASHRAE President

Pre-registration for this meeting would be GREATLY APPRECIATED!!!

**Reservation required by Tuesday Feb. 12, 2013:** Mike Barry, Black Hills Corp  
[mike.barry@blackhillscorp.com](mailto:mike.barry@blackhillscorp.com)

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## Future Lincoln Chapter Meetings

Mar. 13 <sup>th</sup>	ASHRAE Distinguished Lecturer	Noon @ Valentino's
Apr. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Acoustics That Make the Grade	Noon @ Valentino's
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	Energy Code	Noon @ Valentino's
June	ASHRAE Golf Outing	TBD

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- Articles for next month are due by **Mar 4, 2013**
- Please send to:  
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*ASHRAE, founded in 1894, is an international organization of 51,000 persons. ASHRAE fulfills its mission of advancing heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration to serve humanity and promote a sustainable world through research, standards writing, publishing and continuing education.*



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