

# HOUSTON CHAPTER HOT AIR RECORDER



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## Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY 2026

FEB

17

YEA Happy Hour  
Sponsored x Roessler  
Post Oak Ice House  
5610 Richmond Ave.  
Houston, TX

FEB

19

2026 ASHRAE  
Poker Tournament  
Roessler Equipment Company  
5805 Schumacher Lane  
Houston, TX

FEB

26

February Lunch Meeting  
The Ballroom at Tanglewood  
5430 Westheimer Way  
Houston, TX

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Please help ASHRAE Houston Welcome Josh Barnhart from EAB, Jacob Swenson from SSR and Jim Thornton from M.D. Anderson for a Commissioning Roundtable. Topics to be discussed will include:

A general update of Cx requirements as it pertains to the current (Houston) energy code and what is anticipated for future renditions of the IECC.

Certification requirements for Commissioning Authorities (the term continues to morph, but it is essentially the Cx lead or project manager). There are presently four certifying entities, ASHRAE is one of them. To be recognized by the federal government for service on federal projects, the certification programs must be ANSI certified.

Continued uptake of third party Cx by owner organizations, both private and public sector, for new construction or renovations commissioning.

Ensuring all parties understand the scope of work and their responsibilities under the Commissioning tasks



**Josh Barnhart**  
CxA, EMP, CEM  
Commissioning Manager



**Jacob Swenson**  
PE, CxA  
Commissioning PM



**James E Thornton**  
BCxP  
Commissioning Manager

*Register Now*

**The Ballroom at Tanglewood**  
5430 Westheimer Way  
Houston, TX 77056  
**February 26 at 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

# RESEARCH PROMOTION

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## Poker Tournament

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH**

ROESSLER EQUIPMENT - 5805 SCHUMACHER  
LANE, HOUSTON, TX 77057

**BUY IN \$100**



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# MEMBERSHIP

## Five Benefit Options Available.

Full Members and Associates can now select **1** of the following options:

eLearning Course



**150+**  
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ASHRAE Standard  
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**100+**  
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ASHRAE Handbook



PDF version of the  
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Handbook Online



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most recent

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if you have any questions, contact [membership@ashraehouston.org](mailto:membership@ashraehouston.org)

# TREASURER

### Treasurer's Update

Chapter finances are in good shape as we move into the new year. Our 2024 taxes are currently underway, and we are working with JT Jones PLLC, Public Accountants to complete the filing. We are grateful for the continued support from our sponsors and are actively looking to increase sponsorship participation at upcoming events. If you or your company are interested in supporting the Houston ASHRAE Chapter, please help spread the word. Fundraising directly supports our programs, scholarships, and events throughout the year.

Chapter dues for all **650 Houston Chapter members** have been paid for the 2025-2026 ASHRAE year. When renewing your ASHRAE membership, please be sure to select "**Pay Chapter Dues**" and confirm **Houston Chapter** is selected. Chapter dues are \$55 and make a meaningful difference. You can renew your membership and pay chapter dues here:

<https://renew.ashrae.org/>

As one of the largest ASHRAE chapters in the world, the chapter is required to pay national dues for every member, even when individual chapter dues are not collected. Your participation helps keep the chapter financially strong and able to serve our members at a high level.

Thank you for your continued support.

— Mason Hall

Treasurer, ASHRAE Houston Chapter



2025-2026 Treasurer: Mason Hall



Chapter is in good  
financial standing



Tim Navarro to  
Mason Hall



2022 taxes filed

# YEA NETWORKING

BOTTOMS UP, EVERYONE!

**ASHRAE HOUSTON  
YEA & WIA**

**HAPPY HOUR**

**SPONSORED BY:**



**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>  
@ 4:00 PM**

**POST OAK ICE HOUSE  
5610 RICHMOND AVE, HOUSTON, TX 77057**

**DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO WIN 4 TICKETS  
TO A HOUSTON ROCKETS GAME!**

\*MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN



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Now* 

[2025-2026 YEA Chair](#)

[pablo.marin@engineeredair.com](mailto:pablo.marin@engineeredair.com)

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# WOMEN & DIVERSITY IN ASHRAE

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## WOMEN IN ASHRAE NEWSLETTER

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- JOINT YEA AND WIA HAPPY HOUR SPONSORED BY ROESSLER EQUIPMENT
  - FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> @ POST OAK ICE HOUSE
- SPRING TECHNICAL TOUR - MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

### PAST EVENTS

HOUSTON'S WOMEN IN ASHRAE TEAM HAD A PHENOMINAL START TO THE YEAR! WE HOSTED SEVERAL EVENTS INCLUDING:

ENGINEERING PANEL  
W/ CYFAIR ISD

FABRICATION SHOP  
TECHNICAL TOUR

PUTT PUTT  
HAPPY HOUR

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU AT OUR NEXT EVENT!

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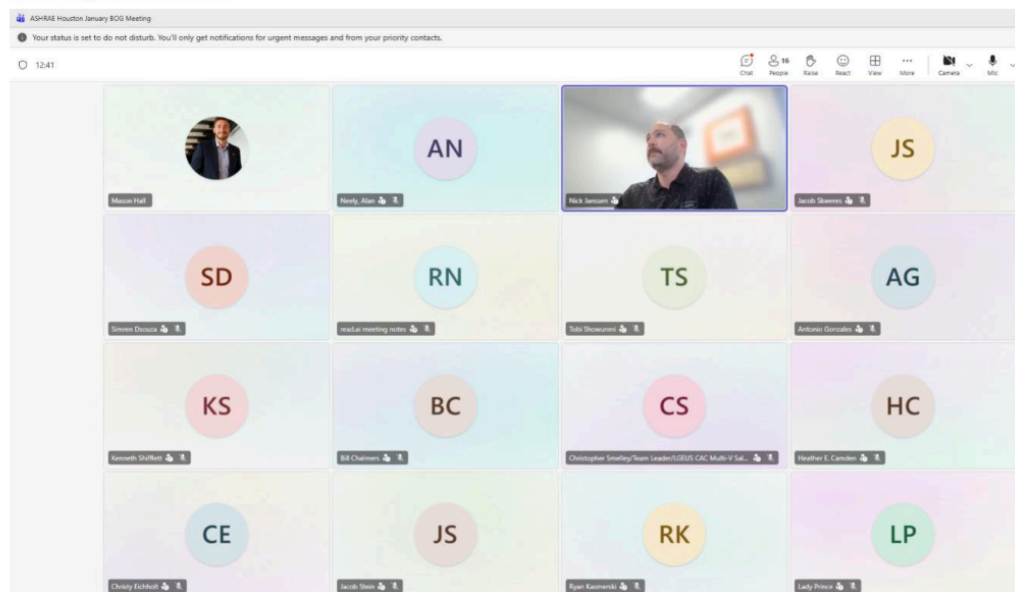
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### Houston ASHRAE Chapter January BOG Meeting – January 21st, 2026

- I. Call to Order at:
  - a. Meeting Attendees:



- II. Approve the September BOG Meeting Minutes
  - a. Motion: Mason
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Alan Neely
  - c. Approve: 5-0-1
- III. Committee Updates
  - a. Programs Team
    - i. CTCCTC
      - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
        - a. Yes
      - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
        - a. Yes
      - c. MBO's- What are they for this year?
        - a. Trying to finish with speakers for the month. Yes
        - b. 40 people to each meeting (10% increase from last year).
          - i. Morning meeting did not make it
        - c. Hoping to have Bill McQuade (Society President) to attend Past Presidents Night. Done!
          - i. Final count is 70. Currently have 58 registered.
          - ii. REGISTER NOW! Closing at close to 70



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    - a. [No](#)
  - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
    - a. [No](#)
  - c. MBO's- What are they for this year? Jacob/Antonio to do so today or tomorrow. Antonio has drafted it with goals for the year. Did you send these to Nick?
    - a. [Add MBOs from Nick](#)
  - d. PAOE Points- Who will update them each month?
  - e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
    - a. [HH Updates. January? February?](#)
    - b. [Meeting next Tuesday to plan the rest of the year](#)
      - i. [Putting together HH for February](#)
      - ii. [Discuss PAOE and add to it](#)
      - iii. [Send update to Nick so agenda can be updated for next month](#)
    - c. [Last met in November.](#)
    - d. [Chris Smelley to Sponsor a HH](#)
    - e. [AGC Houston joint happy hour](#)
- iii. Women/Diversity in ASHRAE
- a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - a. [No](#)
  - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
    - a. [End of last year, yes](#)
  - c. MBO's- What are they for this year?
    - a. [Send update to Nick to add here](#)
  - d. PAOE Points- Who will input them each month?
    - a. [Heather to head this up for Christy](#)
  - e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
    - a. Events for the year:
      - i. [Putt-Putt at Puttshack. How did this go?](#)
        - 1. [Great. Probably 30 people there](#)
      - ii. [Cy-Fair High School Engineering Presentation](#)
        - 1. [11/13 @ 9AM How did this go?](#)
          - a. [It went well. Successful every year](#)
          - b. [Kids were interested](#)

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c. Panel discussion. Went through roles and responsibilities in current job and why they chose to be involved in the MEP field

iii. YEA/WiA HH for February

1. Sponsored by Roessler. Not much discussion for sponsorship my Roessler. Possibly a different sponsor since the poker tournament is around the same time. Maybe piggy back off YEA?
2. 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> National Engineer Week for extra PAOE points

iv. Technical Tour with Astros Game

1. Centrio Plant Tour coupled with an astros game
2. Will be planned and execute. No set date as of yet. Targeting March or April

b. Sponsoring a female student to attend the 2026 WiA Leadership Symposium

i. Circle back with Julie to see how this was done in the past. Where are we with this?

c. Chris to sponsor an event with LG. Has this happened?

c. Operations Team

i. Government Affairs

a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?

a. Yes

b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?

a. 2/3 months

c. PAOE Points - Are they up to date?

a. Tobi will be updating PAOE points monthly. Are they up to date?

i. Just started updating

d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers

a. Chris Smelley to help with this committee. Chris, do you need any help?

b. Tobi to be of assistance in the student affairs committee with Lady. How is this going?

i. HISD is working with a Non-Profit to give HS students a business case study. Increasing Houston ASHRAE engagement through Student Chapters is the topic. They will come up with solution.

c. Day on the Hill is every 2 years. Trying to create a halfway point on the off year. Trying to meet with Reps.

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- d. Add Charlie Snell to committee. Email sent to Nick by Tobi
  - e. E-Week – Wants to reach out to Reps. for proclamation. Student Events committee to connect with local Colleges to spread the word on E-Week
- ii. Historian (Vacant?) – Alan Neely to give update
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
    - c. MBO's- What are they for this year?
    - d. PAOE Points- Who will input them each month?
    - e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
      - a. Unsure if Bruce will continue. Potentially be bringing in Mike Langton. Alan, what discussions have happened with Bruce?
      - b. Bruce retired
        - i. Dinner to get keys and get conclusion from Bruce
- d. Nuts & Bolts Team
    - i. Treasurer
      - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
        - a. Yes
      - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
        - a. No
      - c. MBO's- What are they for this year?
        - a. Financial Stewardship & Transparency**
          - i. Maintain accurate, timely monthly financial reports and present updates to the Board
          - ii. Ensure chapter remains in good standing by reconciling accounts monthly.
          - iii. Provide quarterly budget vs. actual variance analysis to support leadership decision-making.
        - b. Compliance & Tax Filings**
          - i. Complete all required IRS filings and state compliance reports on or before deadlines.
          - ii. Maintain organized, auditable financial records for the chapter.
        - c. Budget Management**
          - i. Oversee adherence to the approved 2025-2026 budget.
          - ii. Track event profitability (luncheons, golf tournament, Clay Shoot, CRC, etc.) against targets.
          - iii. Identify cost-savings opportunities while supporting chapter programming and member services.
        - d. Transition & Documentation**
          - i. Smoothly transition books from the previous Treasurer and prepare clean handoff to successor.

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ii. Update and maintain Treasurer SOPs (standard operating procedures) for future boards.

**e. Professional Development & Leadership**

i. Mentor an Assistant Treasurer or committee member to build leadership pipeline.

d. PAOE Points – Input by society.

e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers

a. 2024 Taxes to be filed by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Where do we stand on this?

i. Filed and Extension. Working with our CPA. Got the checking and savings accounts balanced through QBO. There is some accounting we have to line out from last year before he files.

b. 2 items we need to vote on. Writing the check for the Greater Houston Gun Club and paying our National Dues.

i. Greater Houston Gun Club - \$10,165.25

1. Motion: Heather

2. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Neely

3. Approved – 5-0-1

ii. National Dues - \$6,800

1. Motion: Neely

2. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Heather

3. Approved: 4-1-1

c. High Yield Saving Board Approval

**Recommended Allocation of Chapter Funds**

Account Type	Recommended Allocation	Estimated Yield	Purpose
Checking Account (Bank of America)	\$54,186.14	0%	Monthly operating expenses, reimbursements, and event cash flow.
Edward Jones High-Yield Savings Account	\$50,000	~4.4%	Short-term reserves and accessible funds.
Edward Jones Brokered CDs (3, 6, 12-month terms)	\$26,614	~5.0%	Funds not expected to be used within 3-12 months.

1. Motion: Mason

2. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Neely

3. Approved: 5-0-1

ii. Communications

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- a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
  - a. [Yes, Reached out Jannette](#)
- b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
  - a. [October yes](#)
- c. MBO's - What are they for this year?
  - a. [Will update](#)
- d. PAOE Points - Are they up to date?
  - a. [Ryan to input. Jacob to assist](#)
- e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
  - a. Outlook calendar of events. Franco in charge of finalizing and sending out. Coordinated with Julie. Speak with Nick after meeting to finalize and send out.
  - b. Have photos taken at events by Ryan or others designated for the event. How is this going?
    - i. [Yes going good. Have pictures to upload](#)
  - c. Train members on star chapter. Who needs to be trained?
    - i. [Ryan to help with a Training](#)
  - d. Jacob has admin rights for Facebook and LinkedIn. Will need to get Instagram access. Is this done?
    - i. [We do have Instagram. Need to reset password to info@ashraehouston. Not many followers and active users. Ryan to make sure forwards are set up correct for ASHRAE Houston position emails.](#)
  - e. [Newsletter coming in February from Kendall](#)

#### e. Engagement Team

- i. Membership Promotion
  - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - a. [Yes](#)
  - b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
    - a. [Yes](#)
  - c. MBO's - Were they sent to Nick?
    - a. [Yes, Nick to add](#)
  - d. PAOE Points - Are these up to date?
    - a. [These are getting update. So far updated through December](#)
  - e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
    - a. [Have been focused on collaborating with other committees. Co-hosting with HH in Feb/March is the plan](#)
    - b. [Mail merges have been successful. Tristan has been sending out from work email](#)
    - c. [Made some phone calls](#)
    - d. [Planning to make digital flyers to add to Socials](#)

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#### ii. Student Activities

- a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
  - a. [Yes](#)
- b. Did you reach on in October, November, December?
  - a. [Once in October](#)
- c. MBO's- What are they for this year?
  - a. Would like to visit one or two college campuses each semester. What progress has been made with this?
- d. PAOE Points – Are these up to date?
  - a. [Will be updating soon. Lady to teach Jacob](#)
- e. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
  - a. Tobi working with Sarah on HISD event. How did this go?
  - b. [Interview support](#)
  - c. [IDEA: Need a team setup for Student Activities. Break up the team to focus on college, high school students.](#)

#### IV. Old Business Updates:

- a. Reporting Forms - incomplete
  - i. Once again has been put on the backburner as I wrap up the year. Might try to gift to next year's volunteers. [What is this?](#)
    - a. Need to discuss with Julie
- b. Old committee action items to continue working on:
  - i. Mason: please send BOG the details on the High Yield Savings that you're proposing so that we can vote to approve it and then start filling out the paperwork to get society's blessing. [Done. Vote Passed](#)
    - a. Mason has this ready to go, just needs some items: organizing documents (determine what's needed for this), past tax forms, 501c3.
    - b. Reached out to RVC to see if anything has been done in the past for this.
    - c. Will go back and look to see if the board has voted on this in the past.
  - ii. From the president: PLEASE dump as much into the ASHRAE basecamp (chapter and regional level) as possible.
    - a. Who does not already have access to the chapter Basecamp?
      - a. [Abby Milam, Antonio Gonzales, Jacob Stein, Jacob Skweres needs access](#)

#### V. New Business to work on:

- a. Proposed budget for the new ASHRAE 2025-2026. Nick to send out and have it voted on. [Nick and Mason to finalize](#)
- b. Vote on making dues payment to society. [Vote Passed](#)
- c. [Alan Neely to get his Fellow](#)

#### VI. Meeting closed: 5:32PM