

# HOUSTON CHAPTER HOT AIR RECORDER



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### This Month's Meeting

Meeting Details will be announced soon!  
**Location:** The Ballroom at Tanglewood, 5430 Westheimer Rd, Houston, TX  
**Time:** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM



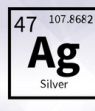
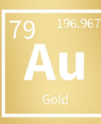
### First Annual ASHRAE Houston Pickleball Tournament

Benefiting ASHRAE Research and the Houston Chapter!  
**Location:** East River 9  
65 Hirsch Rd. Houston, TX 77020  
**Time:** 4:00 Check in



### YEA & ABC YP Networking Event

Join ASHRAE for our upcoming Happy Hour!  
**Location:** Kirby Ice House  
23333 Eastside St. Houston, TX 77098  
**Time:** 4:00-7:00 PM  
Thank you to Butler- Cohen for Sponsoring this event!



Become an  
Annual Sponsor  
**TODAY!!**

## First Annual Pickleball Tournament



February 4th @ 4:00PM

East River 9

65 Hirsch Rd. Houston, TX 77020

# LAST MONTH'S MEETING

## Utilizing Active Desiccant in HVAC Systems to Maintain Critical Room Environments

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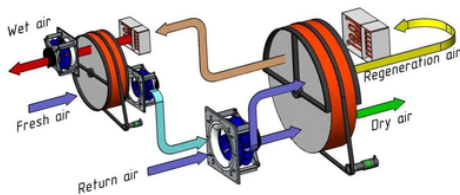


This presentation discussed the challenges faced in maintaining the temperature and humidity requirements in varying critical room settings. Multiple examples illustrated how desiccant options can provide CAPEX and OPEX benefits and most importantly space occupant approval.

### Speaker Bio:

John Brantley is the National Sales Manager for the Low Humidity Segment of Nortek Air Solutions. John has been in the HVAC industry 24 years. He has experience working as a Professional Engineer, Manufacturer Rep, and with multiple HVAC manufacturers in both engineering and sales roles.

When he is now travelling across the country educating owners, engineers, and contractors on the value of desiccant equipment, John enjoys spending time on his farm in rural Southeast Georgia with his wife, chickens, dogs, cats, goats, cows, horses, pigs and teenage children.



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Dear ASHRAE Houston Members,

February was an incredibly busy and productive month for our chapter, and I wanted to take a moment to thank everyone who attended and sponsored our various events. Our first Blackjack Tournament was a great success, and we couldn't have done it without the support of our generous sponsors and enthusiastic attendees. Thank you all for making this event such a success!

We also had a fantastic time at the ASHRAE Winter Conference, our February Chapter Meeting focused on Desiccants, and the joint YEA-WiA happy hour. These events allowed us to connect, learn, and engage with our members in meaningful ways. We are continuing to promote excellent programming through the spring season, so stay tuned for more exciting events!

As we move into March, we want to draw special attention to our efforts in supporting K-12 and college students to promote the benefits of the HVAC industry. Recently, our Women in ASHRAE group visited Cy-Fair ISD to share the benefits of joining ASHRAE, the scholarships available, and the many career opportunities in HVAC. Over 55 students registered for the event, and it was a great success! Kudos to all the ladies who made this outreach possible.

Speaking of scholarships, a reminder that our 2025 ASHRAE Houston Chapter Scholarships are due March 21st. If you know any high school seniors or undergraduate students planning to enroll in an engineering program with an interest in HVAC, please encourage them to apply. We plan to award these scholarships at our May Chapter Meeting, and I encourage all eligible candidates to apply.

Looking ahead, our next Chapter Meeting will be held on March 11th. Be on the lookout for more details in the coming days! If you're planning on attending the Region VIII Chapter Regional Conference, make sure to sign up by March 15th for the early bird rate.

We're also excited to announce our very first Pickleball Tournament on March 26th! This event promises to be a fun and unique way to support ASHRAE Research and our chapter's operations. Registration and sponsorship opportunities are available now on our website—don't miss out! In addition, we're gearing up for our Spring Golf Tournament on April 16th. Registration and sponsorship opportunities are also available, so please take a moment to sign up and support our efforts.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize our Government Affairs Committee—Ken Shifflett, Keith Reihl, and Tobi Showunmi—for their tireless work in keeping our chapter informed on government-related matters. On March 4th, they coordinated with several other chapters in our region to host the "Day on the Hill" event. Volunteers visited the state capitol in Austin to discuss ASHRAE's official positions on various legislative issues impacting our industry. We are fortunate to have such dedicated individuals representing our interests at the local, state, and federal levels. Thank you, gentlemen!

Lastly, if you know someone who would like to get more involved with our chapter, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or Nick Janssen. We are in the planning stages for our 2025-2026 year and are looking for passionate individuals who want to give back to our HVAC community. If you're ready to contribute, we'd love to have you!

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming events. Thank you for being an essential part of the ASHRAE community, and for your continued support and involvement.

Sincerely,

*Julie Thomet*, 24-25 ASHRAE Houston Chapter President

# RESEARCH PROMOTION

## 2024-2025 Fundraising Events & Sponsorship Opportunities

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## ANNUAL FALL GOLF TOURNAMENT

### UPCOMING DATES:



PICKLEBALL TOURNAMENT



SPRING GOLF TOURNAMENT

Click [HERE](#) to donate to ASHRAE Research

If you would like to sign up for an annual sponsorship you can donate on-line, or contact

**Heather Camden**  
at (713)305-5479

to make your pledge and be the top of your level's banner!

Thanks for your support!

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## Pickleball Tournament!

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025**

**4-8PM**

**EAST RIVER 9**

**\$400 PER TEAM**

**\$75 PER SPECTATOR**

**FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED**

**SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE**

**SEE THE HOUSTON ASHRAE**

**WEBSITE FOR MORE**

**INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER**



## Spring Golf Tournament!

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025**

**11:30AM REGISTRATION**

**11:30 LUNCH**

**1:00 SHOTGUN START**

**BLACKHORSE GOLF CLUB**

**REGISTRATION AND SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.**



# ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP

## 2024-2025 ASHRAE ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

PLATINUM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	ENGINEERS FOR ASHRAE
<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
<p>Signage at each event as a Platinum Sponsor and ASHRAE Partner</p> <p>Recognition on the ASHRAE Houston website &amp; Recognition as a platinum sponsor in each Hot Air Recorder with a link to your website</p> <p>(1) LinkedIn campaign for a product of your choosing</p> <p>ASHRAE Partner recognition at the annual conference</p> <p>Clay Shoot—One team of 4 One team (of 4), Tent Sponsor, and hole sponsor signage at both tournaments</p> <p>Admission for 4 to the Past President night</p> <p>Initial buy-in for 6 at the poker and blackjack tournaments</p> <p>One team of 2 and 4 spectators at the Pickleball Tournament</p>	<p>Signage at each event as a Gold Sponsor</p> <p>Recognition on ASHRAE Houston website as a Gold Sponsor</p> <p>(1) LinkedIn campaign for a product of your choosing</p> <p>Clay Shoot—One team of 4</p> <p>One team (of 4) + Hole sponsor signage at both Golf Tournaments</p> <p>Admission for four (4) to the Past President night</p> <p>Initial buy-in for 6 at the poker and blackjack tournaments</p> <p>One team of two and four spectators at the Pickleball Tournament</p> <p>Additional Sponsorships totaling \$1,600 at any of the events (first come first serve)</p>	<p>Signage at each event as a Silver Sponsor</p> <p>Recognition on the ASHRAE Houston website as a silver sponsor</p> <p>Clay Shoot—One team of 4</p> <p>One team (of 4) + Hole sponsor signage at both Golf Tournaments</p> <p>Admission for two (2) to the Past President night</p> <p>Initial buy-in for 2 at the poker and blackjack tournaments</p> <p>One team of two and four spectators at the Pickleball Tournament</p>	<p>Signage at each event as a Bronze Sponsor</p> <p>Recognition on the ASHRAE Houston website as a bronze sponsor</p> <p>Two players at the Fall or Spring golf Tournament + Hole sponsor signage at both Golf Tournaments</p> <p>Admission for two (2) to the Past President night</p> <p>Initial buy-in for 2 at the poker and blackjack tournaments</p> <p>One team of two and four spectators at the Pickleball Tournament</p>	<p>Available only to consulting engineering firms</p> <p>Signage at each event as an Engineer for ASHRAE</p> <p>(1) LinkedIn campaign for your firm</p> <p>Recognition on the ASHRAE Houston website as an Engineer for ASHRAE</p> <p>Free job opening postings on the ASHRAE Houston website and HAR</p> <p>Hole sponsor signage at both golf tournaments</p> <p>Admission for two (2) to the Past President night</p> <p>Initial buy-in for 2 at the poker and blackjack tournaments</p> <p>One team of two and four spectators at the Pickleball Tournament</p>
<b>CONTRIBUTE NOW</b>	<b>CONTRIBUTE NOW</b>	<b>CONTRIBUTE NOW</b>	<b>CONTRIBUTE NOW</b>	<b>CONTRIBUTE NOW</b>

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**AUG**  
**SEPT**  
**OCT**  
**NOV**  
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**Tabletop Sponsorship**  
\$600

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**MAR**  
**APR**  
**MAY**

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# MEMBERSHIP

## Five Benefit Options Available.

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

 <p>eLearning Course</p> <p><b>150+</b> to choose from</p>	 <p>ASHRAE Standard or Guideline</p> <p><b>100+</b> to choose from</p>	 <p>ASHRAE Handbook</p> <p>PDF version of the most recent</p>	 <p>Handbook Online</p> <p><b>4</b> most recent</p>	 <p>ASHRAE Certification Exam Study Guide</p> <p><b>3</b> to choose from</p>
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*Please welcome our NEW members:*

Eric Rains, Edgar Yokubaitis, David Hamlin,  
Jonathan Newman

Join or renew through [www.ashrae.org/home](http://www.ashrae.org/home)  
if you have any questions, contact [membership@ashraehouston.org](mailto:membership@ashraehouston.org)

# TREASURER



2024-2025 Treasurer: Tim Navarro



Chapter is in good  
financial standing



Books are being  
transferred from  
Heather Camden to  
Tim Navarro



2022 taxes filed

# YEA NETWORKING

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**ABC** | Young Professionals  
Associated Builders and Contractors

**ASHRAE** Houston Chapter

# Happy Hour

SPONSORED BY  
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DESIGN + BUILD

# KIRBY

## ICE HOUSE

*"A Neighborhood Pearl"*

**March 13 | 4:30-6pm**  
**3333 Eastside HOUSTON, TX**

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES

## Upcoming Events!

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The ASHRAE Houston Chapter proudly supports the next generation of engineers through academic scholarships, separate from those awarded at the Society level. These scholarships are available to full-time undergraduate students pursuing a Bachelor of Science or Engineering degree in fields that align with the HVAC&R industry. To qualify, applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or rank in the top 30% of their class while meeting at least one of the scholarship-specific criteria.

For 2025, the Houston Chapter is offering two \$1,500 scholarships:

- **ASHRAE Houston Chapter Damon Gowan Scholarship** – Open to undergraduate engineering students, with a preference for those studying mechanical or architectural engineering. Additionally, high school seniors interested in HVAC&R-related degrees may also apply at the discretion of the ASHRAE Houston Chapter.
- **ASHRAE Houston Chapter Richard Burr Scholarship** – Similar to the Damon Gowan Scholarship, this award supports undergraduate engineering students, preferably in mechanical or architectural disciplines, and may also be awarded to high school seniors pursuing an HVAC&R-related degree.

These scholarships are a great opportunity for students looking to further their education and gain support from the ASHRAE Houston Chapter. Be sure to apply and take advantage of this chance to invest in your future in the industry! Applications must be submitted by 3/21/2025, please reach out to Reed Cameron (Reed.Cameron@dsxeng.com) or Andrew Mitchell (Andrew.2.Mitchell@jci.com) with any questions.

Other than Scholarships, the student activities are proud to report our Texas A&M Chapter members were able to attend the 2025 ASHRAE Winter Conference! Lots of exciting things happening in the Aggie Land Chapter.

Thank you,  
Reed Cameron

# HOUSTON HISTORY

Houston Chapter ASHRAE Past President – Alan Neely

From a 1686 Shipwreck to Houston's Golden Gavel Victory  
Unique Achievements During Presidency:

- Acquired a Proclamation from the City of Houston recognizing ASHRAE, signed by Mayor Anise Parker.
- Secured a Proclamation from the State of Texas recognizing ASHRAE, signed by Governor Rick Perry.
- Obtained a Resolution (#223) passed in the Texas Senate recognizing ASHRAE, signed by Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick.
- Authored a book that became the Houston ASHRAE Chapter's Golden Gavel Submission.
- Hosted Ms. Texas / Ms. USA at several ASHRAE functions.
- Wrote an article about the La Belle, a ship that wrecked off the coast of Matagorda Bay in 1686. The wreck remained submerged for over three centuries until Texas A&M University built a hyperbaric chamber to remove the moisture from the hull.
- Appointed the first female officer, Kimberly Thompson.

**Brief Personal Background:** I grew up in Pasadena, Texas, attended Pasadena High School and graduated from Texas A&M University. After graduation from Texas A&M I began my career at Owens Corning Foamglas Insulation.

**Journey with ASHRAE:** My first Houston ASHRAE meeting was memorable. Feeling out of place, I met Hank Fry, who encouraged me to introduce myself to the Chapter President, Richard Hunton Jr. Despite Richard's initial reluctance due to a full cabinet, he directed me to Glenn Booker. After persistently contacting Glenn for a month, he finally assigned me to a committee, appointing me as the Membership Chair. Under my leadership, our committee was recognized by ASHRAE Society and awarded the Lincoln Bouillon Award.

Following this success, I served as Secretary on Steven Redding's cabinet and continued to take detailed notes on winning the Golden Gavel. Influential figures like Damon Gowan, Hugh McMillan III, and Don Nye often remarked on the difficulty of achieving this award. Despite their skepticism, the Houston Chapter was awarded the Golden Gavel in 2012. I proudly shared this news with Damon, who was out playing golf at the time. In an ironic twist of fate, Hugh McMillan III was the Chair of the Golden Gavel Committee when presenting the award to the Houston Chapter.

**Leadership and Legacy:** I had the privilege of serving on the cabinets of Kevin Murphy, Keith Reihl, Stephen Redding, Paul Alexander, Andrew Holdaway, and Glenn Booker. I meticulously studied other chapters' strategies for the Golden Gavel. When my presidency began, I had a clear plan and executed it successfully.

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*Alan Neely*

# WOMEN & DIVERSITY IN ASHRAE

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Women in ASHRAE

## MARCH NEWSLETTER

### Past Events

Women in ASHRAE had a phenomenal month of events in February. We held our first joint Happy Hour with the YEA Committee, and would like to thank Roessler Equipment for sponsoring! Congratulations to all our raffle winners!

We were also proud to represent the Houston Chapter, and Women in ASHRAE, at the AHR Expo in Orlando!



### Upcoming Events

Be on the look out for more information to register for our upcoming events!

#### March 26th ASHRAE Pickleball Tournament

We are actively seeking sponsors to support an all female pickleball team. Please reach out if you are interested!

Christy Troutman  
ctroutman@pagethink.com

#### April 10th WiA Tour The Menil

Join us for an exclusive tour of the facilities at The Menil, followed by happy hour with light appetizers!

Registration Opening Soon!

# GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

## Federal Energy Code Requirements Face Industry Opposition

Recent federal mandates requiring HUD and USDA to adopt the 2021 IECC and ASHRAE 90.1-2019 standards have sparked significant controversy in the building industry. The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and 15 state attorneys general have filed suit against these requirements, challenging their constitutional validity and economic impact.

The mandate, effective May 28, requires new federally funded housing projects to comply with updated energy codes: the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code for single-family homes and low-rise multifamily buildings, and ASHRAE 90.1-2019 for buildings four stories or higher. NAHB argues these requirements could increase construction costs by up to \$31,000 per home, potentially hampering affordable housing development.

Industry experts counter NAHB's position, noting that while upfront costs may increase, improved energy efficiency delivers long-term benefits, particularly for low-income households who typically spend 8% of their income on energy versus the national average of 3%. The debate highlights ongoing tensions between environmental goals, housing affordability, and federal policy in the construction industry.

The outcome of this legal challenge could significantly impact future federal housing programs and energy efficiency standards nationwide.

Read more:

[\*\*NAHB Against Federal Funds for Advanced Energy Codes - GreenBuildingAdvisor\*\*](#)

[\*\*NAHB, 15 State Attorneys General File Suit Against HUD's Energy Codes Mandate | NAHB\*\*](#)

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*For more  
Information*

Visit [www.climateweekhouston.com](http://www.climateweekhouston.com).

Engineers interested in contributing to the energy transition are also encouraged to learn more about Allies in Energy at [www.alliesinenergy.org](http://www.alliesinenergy.org).

# CRC MEETING IN TULSA, OK



[Join us for the 2025 Region VIII CRC in Tulsa Oklahoma!](#)  
[April 24- 26, 2025.](#)

We are celebrating the *Mother Road.... Route 66* at the beautiful Downtown Hyatt Regency!

Start the meeting off with the annual CRC golf outing at the historic *Tulsa County Club*. You can also get your PDHs at the Technical Sessions.

The NEOK chapter will make sure you get your kicks with a *Welcome Reception at Welltown Brewery*. Here, you will sample some of Tulsa's best microbrews, dine on Welltown's infamous nuggies, and compete in the first ever *Region VIII Trivia Night!*

Take a break from regional business to hear incoming Society President *Bill McQuade's Presidential Message*.

Companions, ditch the convertible and strap on your walking shoes for *Hikes and Spikes*, an Art Deco Architectural Walking Tour and a Cocktail Making and Food Pairing Class!

*Friday's Dinner and Sock Hop* will take you back to the Route 66 glory days at the Rucker Event Center, where Chef Michael Fusco will treat you to samples of cuisine found along your Chicago to LA road trip. After dinner, get up and dance the night away as we take you back to a 50's themed sock hop! So, don your best 50's attire and you could win the best dressed Sock Hopper!

Don't forget to have your acceptance speech ready for the *Annual Awards Lunch*...Acceptance speeches limited to 1.6 seconds.

Hang out with new and old friends in the hospitality suite, the hotel bar or one of the many walkable restaurants and bars.

Oh...and take care of regional business, hear best practices from other chapters, and attend the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual *RVIII Chapter Leadership Workshop*.

**Room block is limited, so register for your hotel rooms and the meeting NOW!**

CRC Home Page - <https://www.ashrae-neok.org/region-viii-crc>

Meeting Registration Page - <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/region-viii-crc>

Hotel Reservation Page - <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/TULRT/G-NEOK>

**See you in Tulsa!**

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# CERTIFICATION PROMO

## Exciting news!

Beginning Feb. 1 through March 31, applicants may use the discount code NEWYEAR2025 to receive a 25% discount on application for any of ASHRAE's seven (7) building design or building performance certifications.

Here's how the discount works:

Apply anytime Feb. 1 – March 31 using the Discount Code: **NEWYEAR2025**  
Take your certification exam at any of ASHRAE's new 1,000+ test center locations worldwide

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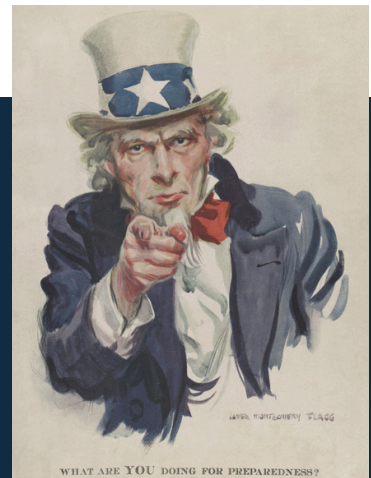
## Need Job Awareness?

ASHRAE Houston Chapter wants to help you share the opportunities that arise within our industry and the best way to do that is through promotion in the community.

If your company has any jobs openings in the Houston area that you would like to be promoted on our monthly Newsletter please email me (Kendall Zolman) at [Kendallz@unifyes.com](mailto:Kendallz@unifyes.com) and I will highlight **THREE** lucky winners to get free , that's right... **FREE** job opening promotion directly to those in the industry!!!



[CLICK HERE](#)  
to check out the  
Society's National  
Job Board!!



# MEETING MINUTES

## 2024 – 2025 February Meeting Minutes

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#### Houston ASHRAE Chapter

#### February BOG Meeting – February 17th, 2025

#### I. Call to Order at: 3:34PM

- a. Meeting Attendees: **Add meeting members**

#### II. Approve the November Planning Meeting Minutes

- a. Motion: Mason Hall
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Heather Camden
- c. Vote: 5-0-1 Approved

#### III. Committee Updates

- a. Programs Team
  - i. CTTC – Nick to send update via email
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - b. MBO's- Any updates?
      - a. Partner with at least one other organization.
        - i. **Complete!** November meeting with AGC
      - b. Partner with at least three other committee within the chapter
        - i. Partnered with GAC in August
        - ii. Any progress on partnering with other committees?
      - c. Increase engineer attendance by 10%
      - d. Collaborate with YEA to encourage the engineer who designed a recent project that they tour to submit for a technology award
        - i. This is due March 1<sup>st</sup>- can we send out email blast?
  - c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
  - d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
    - a. Chapter meeting on 2/20
    - b. Send announcements to Julie and Nick to promote at the chapter meeting
    - c. Heather to send golf and pickleball info to Nick for promotion
    - d. Ken day on the hill Match 4<sup>th</sup>. Take pictures for GG report.

#### b. Stakeholder Team

- i. Research Promotion
  - a. Great job reaching out to your RVC this month!!
  - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
    - a. Two additional events to the four staple events.
      - i. Blackjack and Pickleball Tournaments.
        - 1. Blackjack complete, and pickleball is in planning.
        - 2. Pickleball and Spring Golf Tournament is on the website for registration.
          - a. Lady to put together flyers



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4. Any update? [Reached out to AEI to plan a May event](#)
  5. Any update? [Reached out to ABC to plan an event](#)
  - ii. 2 learning style events (technical tours, etc.). **Complete!**
    1. October was learning style- when is next one planned?
    2. Aerospace learning style event in December
  - iii. 5 general happy hours- **Complete!**
  - iv. 1 big annual happy hour (BIG) **Complete!**
    1. January with AGC
- c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
- a. [Continue to add PAOE points and add all flyers to basecamp](#)
- d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
- a. Have you turned in event spreadsheets (profit/loss) to Tim?
    - i. [Most events have been covered. August needs to have a P/L statement](#)
  - b. [Not much in March and April, busy months. Planning for May and June.](#)
  - c. [Send Julie any changes to Outlook calendar](#)
- iii. Women/Diversity in ASHRAE –
- a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - a. [Yes Christy did!](#)
  - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
    - a. Increase membership by 10%.
      - i. [In progress with events coming up](#)
    - b. Hold three events this year
      - i. Panel Discussion – Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> – Page Office
        1. Great job on first event! 27 attendees with an equal ratio of engineers to vendors! Outstanding!
      - ii. Technical Tour in April?
        1. [Centrio, conference room in the Union Station plant](#)
        2. [Set for April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Bryan to reach out to contact](#)
      - iii. Central Plant at IAH?
        1. [In planning process](#)
      - iv. Women in Engineering Week February- Cy-Fair Visit
        1. Is this still happening on Feb 27<sup>th</sup>?
      - v. Joint YEA-WiA HH in February on Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Work with government affairs to get support from the mayor on women in engineering for engineers week in February
  - d. Highlight and engage women in engineering (collaborate with other committee members to encourage)

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- e. Partner up with other committees to fundraise to cover a women's golf team
- c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
- d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
  - a. Did anyone attend the DEI event at the ASHRAE winter conference?
  - b. Have you turned in event spreadsheets (profit/loss) to Tim?
  - c. [Christy will be speaking at Robert E. Lee High School March 6 for Career Day.](#)
  - d. [WiA to coordinate with golf tournament committee to help sponsor a Women's golf team. Christy to have someone come up with a graphic.](#)
  - e. [Heather to present CyFair High School with scholarship opportunities](#)
- c. Operations Team
  - i. Government Affairs
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
      - a. [Yes, Ken saw him in Orlando](#)
    - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
      - a. One chapter meeting related to government affairs- **complete!**
      - b. Day on the hill event March 4<sup>th</sup>- any updates here?
        - i. [5 house bills are up. Senators and Reps meet up with committee members. Break up into groups of 3 members discuss bills](#)
        - ii. [Any specific topics? Yes, there is a link to a spreadsheet in HAR](#)
        - iii. [Open to volunteers, chairs and co-chairs to attend](#)
      - c. [Engineering week is this week!](#)
        - i. February chapter meeting is during E-Week on the 20<sup>th</sup>
        - ii. YEA/WiA HH is also on the 20<sup>th</sup>- do we get PAOE for this?
        - iii. Did Keith get a proclamation for E-Week?
      - d. [Submit Keith for a society level award](#)
    - a. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
    - d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
      - a. [Chairs, got back through PAOE point to get additional points during E-Week.](#)
  - ii. Historian – [Need update via email](#)
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
      - a. [Chad to reach out to RVC.](#)
    - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
      - a. Collaborate with WiA/DEI, student activities, and YEA on doing bio's within their groups with significant historical context

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- b. Digitizing records for the historical archive
- c. Update the chapter history
- d. Historical update for CRC in April- **COMPLETE!**
- e. Update chapter timeline
- f. Update past president powerpoint **COMPLETE!**
- g. Invite all the life members to the past president's night
- h. Write newsletter articles and post in social media monthly
- i. Have a historical component for WiA/DEI, YEA, Student Activity programming
- j. Leadership recall interviews
- c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
  - a. [Alan Neely to look into PAOE and support Bruce](#)
- d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
  - a. [Chad to contact Bruce about keys to storage unit](#)
- d. Nuts & Bolts Team – [Need update via email](#)
  - i. Treasurer
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
    - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
    - c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
    - d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
      - a. Event spreadsheets
      - b. Pay regional dues – [Should be paid](#)
      - c. Did you sign the taxes?
      - d. Did you reimburse our students that we sent to the Winter Conference? Please coordinate with the region to get reimbursed for half.
  - ii. Communications
    - a. Did you reach out to your RVC in the last 2 weeks?
      - a. [No, need to reach out to RVC for the month](#)
    - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
      - a. Win best newsletter in the region award
      - b. Send out newsletter Friday before each meeting
        - i. [Send content by this Friday to Tuesday the 25th](#)
      - c. Create job opportunities page on newsletter
      - d. Meet PAR for PAOE points
        - i. **ACHIEVED! Great job!**
      - e. Get/take photos from every event to use on site/social media
        - i. [Ryan to add photos to socials from past events](#)
      - f. Update the website templates
        - i. Membership Promotion and RP/Special Events- did you finalize these with Rachel?

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- g. Try to get four posts from people over 50 years or older to tag ASHRAE Houston
  - i. Two posts by Catherine Tinkler and Mark Jumper for July Planning meeting. Any more?
- c. PAOE Points- Any Updates?
  - a. Website-
    - i. CC6.4 20 Pts (Website Update)
    - ii. CC6.5 10 Pts (Newsletter on Website)
  - b. Social Media-
    - i. CC7.2 20 Pts (Social Media Post w/ Picture)
  - c. Total: 50 Point
- d. Miscellaneous updates/requests for other volunteers
  - a. Have we finished HAR archive? Looks like we're missing some (May 21, August through December 21, January through May 22, December 22, August through December 23, January through May 24)
  - b. December HAR is not linked correctly on the website.
  - c. Kendall- when is next HAR due?
    - i. [Send content by this Friday to Tuesday the 25th](#)
  - d. Anyone have recommendations on additional Communications Volunteers?
  - e. PCI compliance- completed by Mason- THANK YOU!
- e. Engagement Team
  - i. Membership Promotion
    - a. Great job reaching out to your RVC this month!
    - b. MBO's- Any Updates?
      - a. [Yes Jeff did. Region VIII is seeing a dip in membership. Getting close to net zero would be good via conversation with RVC.](#)
      - b. Three membership promotion events
        - i. Collaborate with other committees (YEA, WIA/DEI, Student Activities, etc.). Any update here?
      - c. Encourage all volunteers to do visits to employers to encourage membership in ASHRAE
      - d. Target 1-2 MEP firms a month to talk about their ASHRAE involvement and see what financial commitment they're implementing to support ASHRAE membership.
      - e. Stay on top of delinquencies monthly- reach out to delinquent members.
        - i. MP assigned people to reach out to regarding delinquencies. How are we coming on that? Have we seen any positive movement?
        - ii. [Jeff and team are targeting these members to help retain past members. Next step is figuring out new contact information](#)



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- a. Have you turned in event spreadsheets (profit/loss) to Tim?
- b. [Reach out to Construction Science dept at TAMU for job opportunities. Have a GC go speak to a class about getting plugged in with ASHRAE](#)

#### IV. Old Business Updates:

- a. Have taxes been signed? [Not been signed. Hounding Tim to get it done.](#)
  - i. [TIM SIGN THE FORM](#)
- b. Reporting Forms
  - i. Once again has been put on the backburner as I assist with other committees. Still working on getting this done.
- c. In lieu of the chapter meeting in December, I asked that all BOG members watch the sexual harassment prevention training, and that all volunteers watch the decarb 101 videos for PAOE points. [Links are in the chat.](#)
  - i. BOG Members who have watched sexual harassment videos: Kurt, Mason, Tim, Bill, Julie, [Alan Neely](#), [Catherine](#), [Heather Camden](#).
  - ii. Volunteers who have watched Decarb 101 videos: Kurt, Julie, Catherine, [Mason](#), [Alan Neely](#)
- d. 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.
  - ii. Reminder to send Kendall job opportunities.
  - iii. From the president: PLEASE dump as much into the ASHRAE basecamp (chapter and regional level) as possible.

#### V. New Business to Work on Prior to Next BOG:

- a. CRC | Tulsa, OK | April 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>
  - i. Who is planning on attending?
    - a. [Mason](#), [Julie](#), [Nick \(required\)](#), [Heather \(required\)](#), [Greg](#), [Catherine](#), [Ken](#), [Glenda](#), [Alan Neely](#)
  - ii. Two people have reached out to me regarding getting chapter funding to attend CRC. If anyone else wants to go, please let me know ASAP. If you're willing to share a hotel room, please let me know ASAP.
    - a. Registration before March 15<sup>th</sup>- \$475
    - b. Hotel: \$208.57/night (with taxes and fees)
    - c. Flights: \$250-\$300
- b. We need to be very diligent with the following before CRC:
  - i. Getting information uploaded into Basecamp
  - ii. Reaching out to RVC's and updating them on all the work you've done this year
  - iii. Making sure finances for your committee look good
- c. 2025 Student Scholarship – Which scholarships will be awarded this year?
  - i. [Society scholarships \(R.O. Hunton\) was due on December 1<sup>st</sup>](#)
  - ii. [Award by May meeting. Deadline will need to be March 21, 2025](#)

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iii. [Plan for 2026 to shift to April for tour and scholarship event](#)

iv. [ASHRAE Houston - Student Activities](#)

VI. Meeting closed: 5:35PM

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