

American Society of Gas Engineers

ASGE News

Recognizing our 55th year!

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Calendar Dates:

- June 5, 2008:
 CGE exam, Sahara Casino & Resort, Las Vegas, NV
- June 5, 2008:
 ASGE Board of
 Directors Meeting, Sahara Casino & Resort,
 Las Vegas, NV
- June 6, 2008: National Technical Conference, Sahara Casino & Resort, Las Vegas, NV
- June 6, 2008:
 Behind the Scenes Tour of the Treasure Island special gas effects
- June 7, 2008:
 Golf outing, Painted
 Desert Golf Club
- June 7, 2008:
 ASGE Dinner with entertainment
- Oct 23, 2008:
 CGE Exam, Independence, OH

2008 National Technical Conference

The 2008 National Technical Conference will be held at the Sahara Casino & Resort complex. The Conference will be Friday, June 6, 2008 followed by the always memorable dinner on Saturday, June 7, 2008. This years Conference Topics and Speakers are:

Burners & Applications, Robert B. Balfantz, Vice President of Engineering, Marketing, and Sales – Beckett Gas

Ignition Controls & Applications, Kevin Norby

Product and Program Manager, Fenwal Controls

Hot Surface Igniters & Applications, Malcolm Gorst, CEO,

Crystal-technica Limited

Solving Abnormal Combustion Noise Problems & Harmonics,

Dr. Peter Baade, Consultant, Noise and Sound Abatement

Identify & Eliminate Gas Burner Problems, Ralph E. Jennings, CEO and Consulting Engineer, Tech-Net, CGE

Premix Burners - Technology Advancement and Engineering Challenges, William Raleigh, PE, CGE - President and Consulting Engineer, Teknitherm

2008 Special Bonus for ASGE Conference Attendees:

Treasure Island Casino Special Gas Effects

Take advantage of this "once in a lifetime" opportunity to tour the behind the scenes workings of the special gas effects for the Treasure Island Casino, and then watch the show from their VIP Seating! We will depart from the Sahara Casino at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2008.

ASGE Golf Outing - Saturday, June 7, 2008

Enjoy the beautiful Painted Desert Golf Club with tee-off commencing at 7:30 a.m. If your game is like mine, the greatest expense is not the greens fees, but it is the golf balls....well, no worries as a sleeve of golf balls will be provided to each player courtesy of **Thermal Ceramics**.

The President's Message...



Dante Cantal, President, American Society of Gas Engieneers

I am pleased to
announce to you that
we are now working
on a new project...
Certified Gas
Technician (CGT).
ASGE is considering
providing technical
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qualify and ultimately
certify gas appliance
technicians.

The ASGE committees are in full swing preparing for the 2008 National Technical Conference to be held at the Sahara Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas on June 5-7, 2008. First of all, let us recognize the powers behind this association who are working diligently to make this Technical Conference a success:

- $\sqrt{\text{Dave Wonnacott}}$ for putting together the conference program and the speakers
- $\sqrt{}$ Jerry Moore our hardworking director, for coordinating with the hotel and setting up the dinner program and doing any task needed to get the job done!
- $\sqrt{\text{Nancy Wilson}}$ for heading up the CGE committee and proctoring the exams
- $\sqrt{\mbox{Darryl Hosler}}$ for constantly staying in the background as a valuable resource and advisor
- $\sqrt{\text{Ron Heberger of Thermal Ceramics-for setting up the ASGE Golf tournament}}$
- $\sqrt{\rm Scott}$ Schaffner for setting up the behind-the-scene tour at Treasure Island's Special Gas Effect Show
- $\sqrt{}$ Susan McCarthy, John DiPaolo and Jim Pelkey- members and directors of the Board who are always there to help and to contribute ideas
- $\sqrt{}$ Special thanks to Robert Cowan, Ralph Jennings, Gary Liljenberg, Bill Salem and to those many talented individuals who came forward and offer unselfish help.
- $\sqrt{}$ Eric Griesemer for updating our website and preparing the newsletters
- $\sqrt{\text{Our}}$ guest speakers who are going to share their wealth of knowledge and experiences.
- $\sqrt{\text{Our Corporate Members who are committed to the values and goals of ASGE}$ and supports its activities

The Certified Gas Engineer (CGE) program is a great success and is now widely recognized. The CGE Exams are being given twice a year. Our sincere appreciation to all who made this worthy program possible.

I am pleased to announce to you that we are now working on a new project...Certified Gas Technician (CGT). ASGE is considering providing technical seminars to educate, qualify and ultimately certify gas appliance technicians. We envision that every gas appliance manufacturer would like to have qualified gas technicians in their manufacturing and service departments. This is another way of ASGE giving back to the community and thereby increasing it's presence in the gas industry. Jim Pelkey of Subzero-Wolf is the number one proponent of this project and he will welcome all ideas to make this into fruition. Anyone interested or have suggestions on this program, please step forward.

Since our technical conference meeting in June 2007, the board has numerous meetings through teleconference. Distance and time differences were no longer a factor. These virtual meetings kept us in sync with every player and we were able to discuss the agenda set forth on every meeting. Oh, the powers of telecommunications... just amazing! Now, we have everything set. The hotel is set, the guest speakers are finalized, and members keep on signing up... We are going to have another successful Technical Conference.

My colleagues and friends, this association is full of knowledge and everybody is willing to help. I found that out easily in my presidency. All I have to do is ask and they all come through. I am very proud to be a member of ASGE and so must you.

Thank you very much and see you in Las Vegas.

Dante Cantal
Twin Eagles

Certified GasEngineer (CGE) Exam Opportunities

The American Society of Gas Engineers will offer the following Certified Gas Engineer (CGE) examinations:

- June 5, 2008, Sahara Casino, Las Vegas, NV. Study Group led by Ralph Jennings and Gary Liljenberg commences at 9:00 a.m. Q&A session commences at 11:00 a.m. The exam will commence at 2:00 p.m., ending by 5:00 p.m. and will be proctored by Nancy Wilson and Gary Liljenberg
- 2. October 23, 2008, Independence, OH. Exam will commence at 4:00 p.m., ending by 7:00 p.m. A more detailed Agenda will be communicated after the 2008 Technical Conference.

To pursue one of these awesome opportunities, proceed to www.asge-national.org and click the "CGE Application" button on the left side of the webpage. Please contact Mr. Jerry Moore via email at asgecge@sbcglobal.net with any questions.



Engineering, what a great career.
Now if I could just be Certified!

CGE Study Guide

ASGE has available a Study Guide to prepare you for the CGE Exam. To review the Table of Contents proceed to www.asge-national.org and click the "CGE Study Guide" button on the left side of the webpage. This Study Guide can be purchased for \$150. To order, please send your check to: ASGE

P.O. Box 66 Artesia, CA 90702 And you thought studying was for kids!



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ASGE Social Event - Golf Outing in Cleveland, OH

The 42nd annual ASGE Golf Outing!

ASGE members are invited to participate in a great social event at **Astorhurst Country Club** on Friday, June 13, 2008. For more information on this event, please contact Mr. Jim Kozsey at 440-232-3200.



New ASGE Members

We are honored to recognize the following new additions to the ASGE roster:

- 1. Kim Mniszewski, FX Engineering, Western Springs, IL. Email kmniszewski@yahoo.com
- 2. Stephen Erlenbach, SEA Ltd., Columbus, OH. Email serlenbach@sealimited.com
- 3. Douglas Sand, EFI Global, Stillwater, MN. Email Douglas_Sand@efiglobal.com

Congratulations & Welcome!

Officers:

Dante Cantal — President

David Wonnacott — Vice President

Susan McCarthy — Treasurer

Jerry Moore — Executive Director

Board Members:

Daryl Hosler — Past President

Eric Griesemer — Past President

James Pelkey — Director

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The ASGE Board of Directors is comprised of volunteers giving of their time to promote The Society. They seek your input and involvement. Please send any inquiry, suggestion or comment via email to Jerry Moore at asgecge@sbcglobal.net.

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