

# WINTER 2023 NEWSLETTER

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS and  
HAPPY NEW YEAR from  
ASGE!**

## **LETTER FROM ASGE PRESIDENT ERIC BRUTON**

President Eric Bruton looks back over the year of 2023 and looks forward to the year of 2024!

## **2024 Technical Conference**

Mark your calendars! The 2024 National Technical Conference will be held June 2nd—June 4th, 2024, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

## **MEMBER NEWS!**

Welcome new members! Vital information for 2024 is found throughout the newsletter.

## **ASGE Handbook**

The newly revised ASGE Handbook is going through the final checks and edits. Be on the lookout for how to get your hands on the new Edition!

# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! As the end of the year approaches, it is a great time to look back and analyze the year and the performance of the Society. The officers and the Board have worked very hard this year to move ASGE into the future with some revisions to our study guide, CGE exam, and awards. The Society signed onto comments that dealt with federal gas appliance regulations. The annual technical conference was very well attended and great topics were presented and discussed.

Later in the newsletter we will discuss in detail the new ASGE Handbook and the timeline of implementing the new CGE Exam. We have spent tremendous time and effort to make the new Handbook and Exam only more prestigious.

The ASGE Officers and Board did a study on cost and feasibility of changing the location of the Technical Conference to somewhere else other than Las Vegas. We tried many cities across the continental United States and came to the realization again that Las Vegas offers the nicest amenities with considerably less cost. South Point Hotel and Casino has been very good to our Society, and for the next several years we will continue to meet there. Scott Lackie, your Vice President, already has the majority of the presenter lineup filled for 2024. Specific details pertaining to the presentations and itinerary will be in the upcoming Q1 and Q2 newsletters in 2024. So please stay tuned!

The fight against the elimination of fossil fuel energy is ever present. The current administration and the leadership at the DOE and EPA are still trying their hardest to pass regulations that dramatically reduce the use of fossil fuels. Even at COP28 these past few weeks, they are discussing "phase-out" vs. "phase down". No matter which one, the end game is still no utilization of gas. Whether by strict bans or by regulating emissions and efficiencies of appliances, they are coming after our products with haste. 2024 is an election year, and it is very important to our specific industry. When analyzing things for personal matters, I hope that you take into account the nominees stances on oil, gas, and domestic use of these fuels. We are always looking for ideas on how to combat these issues and look to you the member for avenues and ideas. Please contact us and let us know how we can help!

The AHR Expo is about a month away. The trade show is in Chicago this year and will be touted as one of the largest ever. ASGE will have many members and officers in attendance. If you would like to meet with one of us, please reach out to us at: [asgecg@aol.com](mailto:asgecg@aol.com) and we can schedule a time to meet with you at the show. Also, be sure to stop by the Appliance HVAC Report booth (S10447) and pick up one of their show edition magazines. ASGE will have an article published in it explaining the Society, its history, and what ASGE has to offer its membership.



## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER continued...**

It is amazing that the older I get the faster the year goes by. When we are young we want everything to speed up to get here sooner, and when we are older we want everything to slow down so that we can enjoy it more. I have really tried as of late to slow down life. To be intentional. To be present with those around me in the moment. I hope that you too will be intentional with your planning and what you say "yes" to that fills your time. Instead of spreading yourself thin across many good things, try saying "yes" to only a couple and give your undivided effort to it. I think that this is where we can find fulfillment. When we allow time to be present, we build relationships with those we are involved with. After all, life is about faith, family, and relationships. Here is to you and yours this Holiday season!

Eric Bruton CGE

## **WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!**

Johnny Yan

Michael Wipperfurth

Weiqun Yang

Jared Wells

Jerome Bosc

Timothy Schaeffer

Roberto Cabrera Botello

Roxanne Dobbs

Hailey Bradshaw

Greg Stone

Brent Keller

Jason Pionek

Patrick Fritz

David Clink

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# MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

## NATIONAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCE, 2024

Sunday, June 2nd through Tuesday, June 4th

South Point Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada

9777 S Las Vegas Blvd  
Las Vegas, NV 89183



**Sunday June 2nd**

**Board Meeting**

**(This meeting is closed and invite only)**

**Monday June 3rd**

**Golf Outing**

**CGE Exam Review**

**CGE Exam**

**Fun Night!**

**Tuesday June 4th**

**Technical Presentations**

**Presidents Reception**

**President's Dinner and Awards**

## AWARD NOMINATIONS

ASGE is accepting nominations for Awards to be presented at the 2024 Technical Conference. Please submit nominations to: [asgecge@aol.com](mailto:asgecge@aol.com)

Further and more detailed requirements can be found on the ASGE website: [asge-national.org](http://asge-national.org)

## CGE STUDY GUIDE AND EXAM REVISION PROJECT

A great deal of work has been done to the current CGE Study Guide. All content was reviewed to update terminology, definitions, and practices. New content was also added. ASGE hired industry professional consultants to help complete the review. ASGE is proud to announce that the newly minted "ASGE Handbook" content is complete and is going through final format editing and will be sent to printing early 2024!

You might be asking, When can I get a copy of the new ASGE Handbook? We will be selling them starting at the 2024 ASGE Technical Conference. If you have purchased the Study Guide previously, you will not have to pay full price for the new Handbook. Current and up to date CGEs will pay a discounted rate. Pricing will be marketed in one of the early newsletters in 2024.

The next question you are asking may be, Is the CGE Exam changing too? The quick answer is yes. The Exam will be re-engineered to follow the content of the new ASGE Handbook. The Exam project will begin right after the beginning of 2024.

The ASGE Handbook will be put out into circulation starting June 2024. The intent is for the new Handbook to be published for one year before the new Exam is administered. So, the new CGE Exam will be given starting June 2025.

We would like to thank all consultants and volunteers who made this possible! So much work and personal time has been devoted by so many. The ASGE Handbook and new Exam will be something that we can all be proud of, and it will continue the prestige of the Society.

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