



Newsletter

Western Michigan Chapter

September 2025

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This months meeting info:

Grand Rapids Meeting:

Kalamazoo Meeting:

Dates:

September 10th & 11th

Location:

**Canopy by Hilton - Grand Rapids Downtown
131 Ionia Avenue SW
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Location:

**Park Club of Kalamazoo
219 W. South Street
Kalamazoo , MI 49007**

Speaker:

**Jerry Thompson
Spears Manufacturing**

Time:

**11:30 Social
12:00 Presentation & Lunch**

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Subject:

**Specifying SCH 80
PVC/CPVC Systems**

Cost:

\$30 per person

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Chapter President—Nick VonMyhr

Welcome back all! We are excited to kick off another great year of ASPE West Michigan meetings and events. Following similar meeting rhythms as last year, we will be meeting for lunch in downtown Grand Rapids on Wednesdays and downtown Thursdays in Kalamazoo. Due to some scheduling conflicts, the actual date for each meeting may vary each month, so please pay attention to our newsletter and notices.

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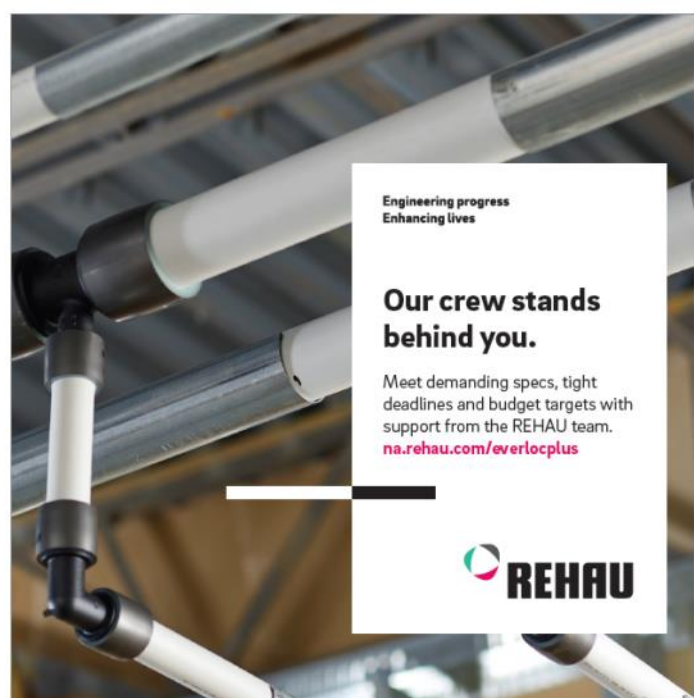
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Chapter President—Nick VonMyhr (continued)

I'd like to add a plug for ASPE's 2025 Tech Symposium. The symposium is September 24-28, in Orlando, Florida. We highly encourage passionate engineering professionals to attend this event. It's a great place to expand your network, learn about new industry technologies and to grow professionally. Please refer to the link below for more information.

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VP Membership—John Cassady

Hello ASPE Members,

Welcome to a new season of ASPE! We are currently at 96 members in the West Michigan chapter.

If you know anyone who is looking for the right time to join, the beginning of the year is always a good option. All new members will receive a voucher for a free meeting, redeemable at checkout when registering for an event.

For those of you who have a membership expiring by the end of October, you should have received an email reminder from the national society already. I will send out follow-up reminders to you all as well.

When you are renewing your membership, please be sure to select West Michigan as your “home chapter”. Any “at large” members may miss out on communication from the chapter.

You can also update your chapter affiliation by logging in to ASPE.org, following My Account > My Profile, and editing your information.

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VP Legislative —Brian Peceny

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To kick off the 25/26 year I would like to remind... dare I say encourage our membership to attend this year's, or should I say this month's ASPE Tech Symposium. The ASPE Tech Symposium happens every other year. It includes plumbing and fire protection classes as well as a product expo. My favorite part of this event is how the classes are organized. There are five main topic headings; Codes and Standards, System Design, Sustainability/Construction, Healthcare/Specialty Design, Fire Protection and More. As an attendee, you can attend any one of five options, and switch topics as you desire. This isn't a guarantee, but your chances of finding a quality class that you'll be interested in is quite high. The technical sessions start Friday afternoon on September 26, full day Saturday, and morning on Sunday. And as noted above there will be a product expo along with other ASPE activities. And if that is not enough, you can hop over to Disney or Universal . Did I mention it take place in Orlando. Anyway, late notice, but something I recommend you check out.

If you are interested, you can find all the information including registration here; <https://aspe.org/2025-aspe-tech-symposium/>



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March 11th & 12th
 Tyler Oatmen
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October 8th & 9th
 John Hernandez
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January 14th & 15th
 Rich Lussier
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April 15th & 16th
 Kyle T. Emmons
 JJM Alkaline Technologies
 "A Burning Question"

November 12th & 13th
 Josh Manion
 Progressive Companies
 Municipal/Civil Engineering Interaction
 with Plumbing Engineers

February 11th & 12th
 Lauren Berenato
 Bradford White Corp.
 DOE 2026: Commercial Water
 Heater Requirements

May 13th & 14th
 Jeremy Martin
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Date: TBD
 ASPE Annual Golf Outing

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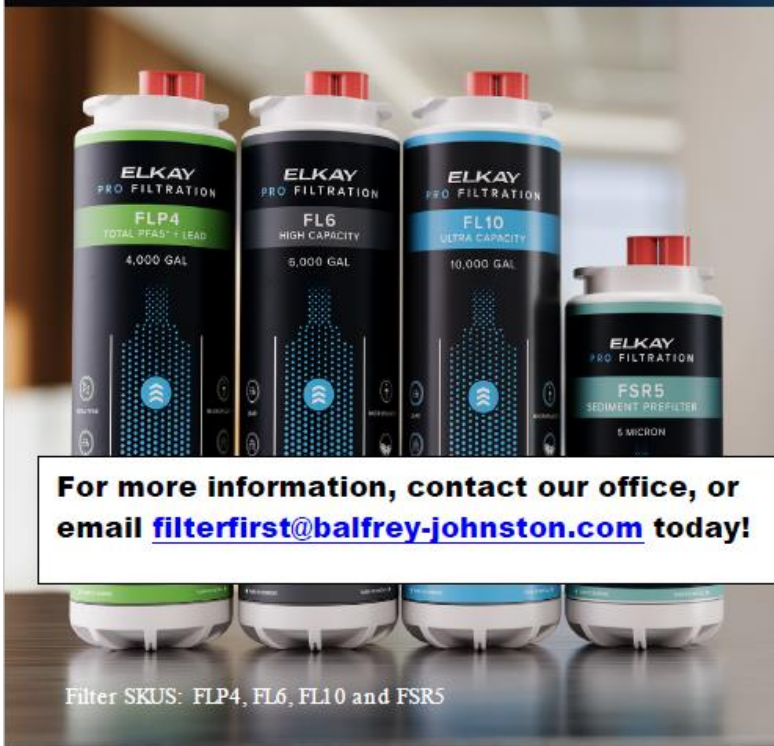
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