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Pile of Bones

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Chapter Meeting

President's Message

By Dave Samayoa

Hello everyone, and welcome back to another ASHRAE season! I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and is ready for another exciting year with the ASHRAE Regina Chapter. I am honored to continue serving as Chapter President and look forward to building on the momentum we've created over the last several years.

First, I would like to thank our new and returning Board of Directors for stepping up to serve the chapter this year. Our success is driven entirely by the dedication of volunteers who contribute their time, energy, and expertise to our chapter. We have a fantastic group in place, and I'm excited to work alongside them as we continue to provide valuable technical programs, networking opportunities, and professional development events for our members. If you're interested in becoming more involved with the chapter, we'd love to have you join us.

At the Society level, we welcome our new ASHRAE President, **Sarah E. Maston, P.E., BCxP, LEED AP**. Sarah's theme for the 2026-27 Society Year is "**Changing the Game: Retrofitting for Resilience**." Her message focuses on one of the biggest challenges facing our industry today: improving the performance, sustainability, and resilience of the buildings that already exist. With approximately 80% of the buildings that will be standing in 2050 already built today, retrofitting and recommissioning existing facilities will play a critical role in achieving our long-term energy and climate goals.

Thursday, September 3rd

University of Regina Cooling Plant
Tour

Where:

University of Regina
3737 Wascana Parkway
Main Campus ED114

5:00 Networking

5:15 Supper is Served

5:30 Supper & Chapter Meeting

6:00 Presentation

6:30 Cooling Plant Tour

Presenters:

Jared Larson Principal,
Mechanical Engineer,
MacPherson Engineering

Upcoming Chapter Events

Wednesday, October 28

ASHRAE Chapter Meeting
*Distinguished Lecturer Niss
Feiner, Designing for
Northern, Remote, and Arctic
Communities*

This August, several members of our chapter attended the Joint Chapter Regional Conference (CRC), where we had the opportunity to connect with chapters from across Region X and Region XI, participate in leadership training, and learn more about Society initiatives for the coming year. CRC continues to be a valuable opportunity to share ideas, build relationships, and bring back lessons that help strengthen our local chapter.

I am particularly proud to recognize several Regina Chapter members and volunteers who were honored during CRC for their outstanding contributions:

- **Chris Klatt** received the **2024-25 Top Dog Award for Excellence in Research Promotion**.
- **Carla Drager** received the **Chapter Service Award**.
- The **Regina Chapter** was awarded the **Research Promotion Certificate of Achievement for 2025-26**.
- **Tyler Gamble**, our former Chapter President, received the **Presidential Award of Excellence** in recognition of the Regina Chapter's achievements during the 2025-26 Society Year.

These awards are a reflection of the dedication, leadership, and volunteer spirit that make our chapter successful. Congratulations to Chris, Carla, Tyler, and everyone who contributed to these accomplishments. Your efforts continue to elevate the Regina Chapter and serve as an example throughout the region.

As we kick off another chapter year, I encourage everyone to stay engaged, attend meetings, and take advantage of the many opportunities ASHRAE provides. Whether you're a long-time member or attending your first event, your participation is what makes our chapter successful.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our September meeting and throughout the year ahead.

Thank you for your continued support of the ASHRAE Regina Chapter.

David Samayoa
President, ASHRAE Regina Chapter

Vice President's Message

By Emily Zimroz

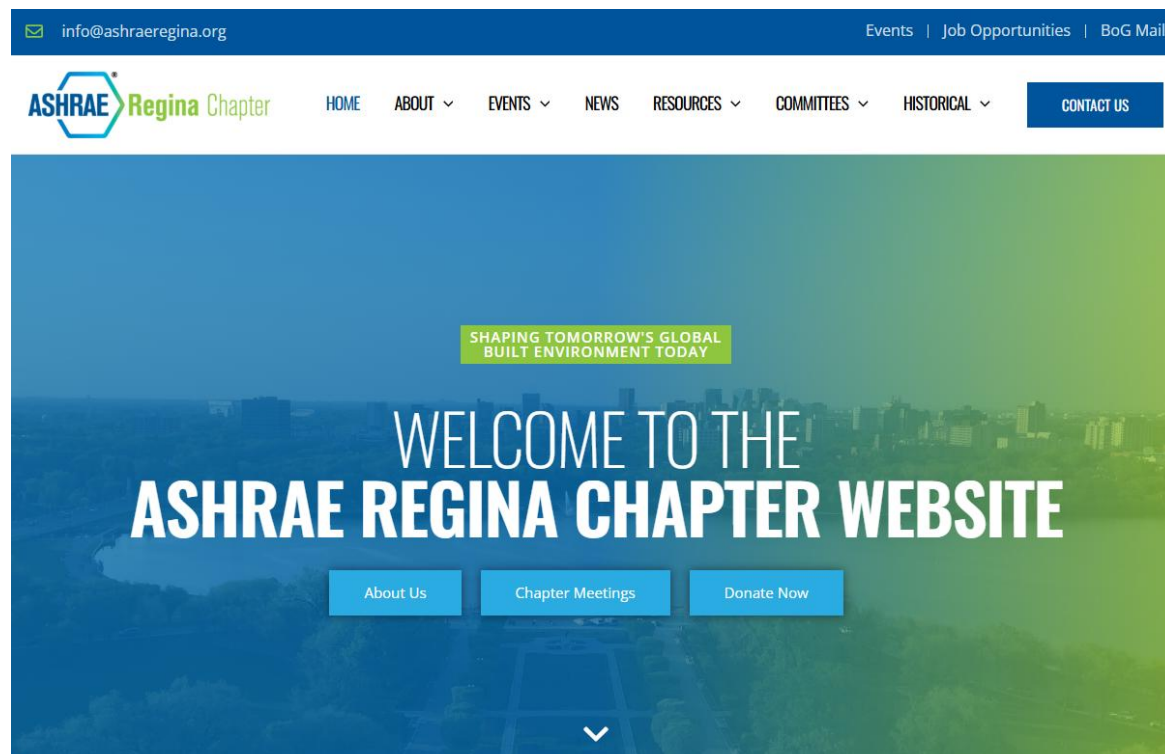
Hello members and welcome to another ASHRAE year! We have some great programs planned for the year and can't wait to see you at our monthly meetings and extra events. This month, we got to tour the cooling plant and see the new cooling towers at the University of Regina for our September meeting. On October 28, we will be hosting distinguished lecturer Niss Feiner to give a presentation on designing for northern, arctic, and remote communities. And mark your calendars for November 18 for a presentation on water quality and chemical treatment and how it affects your equipment.

This year, we're putting a focus on efficient and streamlined meeting schedules to make attendance easier for members with busy schedules and other commitments. But fear not, members will still have the same networking opportunities at the end of formal programming to talk about all things ASHRAE! We hope to see all sorts of new and returning faces for this year's programming; come on out and let us know what you think of our new format!

Social Media / Webmaster Chair

By Chris Klatt

Introducing Our Newly Redesigned Website — Now at ashraeregina.org



We're excited to announce the launch of the **newly redesigned ASHRAE Regina Chapter website!** With a fresh modern look, improved navigation, expanded content, and a new web address, ashraeregina.org has been created to better serve our members and showcase everything our chapter has to offer.

Whether you're looking for upcoming events, chapter news, technical resources, or opportunities to get involved, our new website makes it easier than ever to find the information you need. The site has been thoughtfully organized to provide quick access to the programs, committees, and resources that support your professional growth and your connection to the local HVAC&R community.

Explore pages dedicated to chapter meetings and events, Society – Regional - Chapter news, and scholarship opportunities. Review each committee including, Chapter Technology Transfer, Government Affairs, Membership Promotion, Research Promotion, Student Activities, and Young Engineers in ASHRAE (YEA). You'll also find information about our Board of Governors, chapter history, Past Presidents, and the many volunteers who help make our chapter successful.

The redesigned website also features an expanding library of technical resources, archived newsletters, and chapter initiatives. New additions, including Industry Peer Groups, photo galleries, and other member-focused resources, make the site an even more valuable destination for both new and long-time members.

Have a question, suggestion, or idea? We'd love to hear from you. Our new Contact Us page included a convenient online form that allows you to quickly connect with the appropriate chapter volunteer. Whether you're interested in becoming a member, volunteering on a committee, sponsoring an event, or simply have a question about the chapter, the contact form is the easiest way to reach us. We welcome your feedback and look forward to hearing from you.

This launch is just the beginning. New content and features will continue to be added throughout the year, making ashraeregina.org your primary source for chapter information, professional development, and member engagement.

We invite you to explore the new website, bookmark ashraeregina.org, and visit often. We hope you'll enjoy the new experience and discover even more ways to connect with your ASHRAE Regina Chapter.

Welcome to the new ashraeregina.org—your home for everything ASHRAE Regina.

Student Activities

By Azizur Rahman

As Student Activities Chair this year, I am excited to help create more opportunities for students to connect with ASHRAE, explore the HVAC&R industry, and develop skills that complement what they learn in the classroom.

A few activities we are planning this year include a CAD training session and possibly a small CAD competition. This will give students an opportunity to improve their drafting skills while working on practical, engineering-related tasks, with industry members sharing their experience and tips.

We are also planning a resume and interview workshop. Students will have an opportunity to get feedback on their resumes from industry professionals and practice some common interview questions. We hope this will help students feel more confident when applying for internships, summer jobs, and their first engineering positions.

Another event I would like to bring back this year is a pancake breakfast at the Engineering Student Lounge. We were hoping to organize this last year but were not able to make it happen. The idea is to have industry members volunteer to serve breakfast and spend some time casually talking with students. No formal presentations - just pancakes, coffee, and an opportunity to meet people in the industry and ask questions in a relaxed setting.

We will also look for opportunities for students to participate in building/site tours and other activities with local industry members. If you are a student interested in getting involved, have an idea for an activity, or would like to volunteer, please reach out. We are always looking for new ideas and volunteers to help make these activities successful.

Events Around Town

Fall 2026 Virtual

Workshop

Visit Saskatchewan Building &
Technical Standards to register.

October 1st, 2026

ASHRAE Regina

Christmas Party – TBD

December 9th, 2026

Have an event you would like highlighted in our newsletter? Send it to our Chapter President!

ASHRAE Society Events

2026 ASHRAE Building Decarbonization Conference

September 23-25, 2026

Seattle, WA

<https://www.ashrae.org/conferences/topical-conferences/2026-ashrae-building-decarbonization-conference>

ASHRAE Winter Conference / AHR Expo

January 23-27, 2026

Chicago, IL

<https://www.ashrae.org/conferences/2026-winter-conference>

Keep up to date on activities and events from our local chapter by following us on LinkedIn and Instagram.



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