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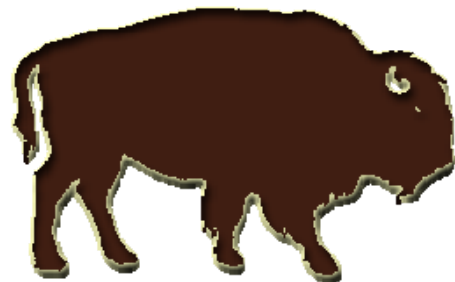


## **MARCH MEETING:**

Wed May 14 @ 12p  
@ The Eagle House  
Roger Watts of  
Medical Gas  
Systems Solutions  
Topic: Sizing & Storing  
High Pressure  
Medical Gas

## **FUTURE MEETING:**

Wed Jun 11 @ 12p  
Double Containment  
Piping Systems



**Newsletter and Chapter Info @**  
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## **President's Article**

Jeff LeMere

### **May 2014**

Our canceled meeting, March 14, with Mr. Roger Watts, Owner from Medical Gas Systems Solutions, has been rescheduled for Wednesday May 14, 2014, Noon at the Eagle House.

I would like to thank Mark Schiller and Richard Sherren for their presentation on Siesmic requirements and codes. Some of the topics addressed were:

1. Present New York State Building Code, with ASCE 7-05 and IBC 2006.
2. Seismic restraints for plumbing pipe & equipment.
3. Exemptions for pipe.
4. Housekeeping pad requirements.
5. Installation of seismic restraints.

The presentation was very interesting and informative – again Thank You Mark & Richard.

June's meeting will be a presentation on Double Containment Piping.

PMCA/ASPE golf outing this summer – details to follow.

As in the past, we will be joining PMCA and ASHRE for a couple of joint meetings next year.

As mentioned many time before, this chapter of ASPE is here for you...should you have a topic that you would like us to get a presentation together for, please let one of us know and we will do our best to make it happen.

Hope to see you all on Wednesday May 14, 2014 - Noon at the Eagle House.



## **V.P. Membership**

Joseph Eppolito, CPD

### **May 14, 2014 Meeting:**

This month's meeting rescheduled from March due to a snowstorm will feature Roger Watts, President and owner of Medical Gas Systems Solutions presenting on Sizing and Storing High-Pressure Medical gas. Refer to Gerald Mays's article for details.

### **June 11, 2014 Meeting:**

*Our last general meeting of the 2013/14 year before we break for the summer will be at the Eagle House at noon on June 11<sup>th</sup> featuring Diana Mollicone, EIT, an Applications Specialist for IPEX USA, LLC presenting on Double Containment Piping Systems.*

### **2014 Golf Outing:**

Like last year our annual golf outing co-hosted with the Western New York Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors will be held on Monday Aug. 11, 2014 at the beautiful Wanakah Country Club, 5161 Lakeshore Rd., Hamburg, NY. Details will follow when completed. As in the past we will be looking for Hole and Skills Competition sponsors. In the next month or so, registration forms will be posted to our website at [www.buffalo-niagara.aspe.org](http://www.buffalo-niagara.aspe.org), so get your foursome together for what promises to be the golfing event of the summer.

### **ASPE Membership:**

The ASPE Board has set a goal to increase membership to 7000 and is running a "We want you back" membership program specifically designed to bring back members who let their membership lapse due the economy or other reasons. Visit [www.aspe.org](http://www.aspe.org) or give me a call for details.

### **2014 ASPE Convention and Exposition:**

Registration opens this month for the 2014 ASPE Convention and Exposition to be held in Chicago September 20-24. This year's Convention will include a celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ASPE. Visit [www.aspe.org](http://www.aspe.org) to register.



### **V.P. Legislative**

Gerald May, CPD, LEED AP BD+C

### **May Meeting:**

Our next general meeting will be Wed. May 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at noon at the Eagle House.

Our presenter is Roger Watts, President and Owner of Medical Gas Systems Solutions, locally representing BeaconMedaes Medical Gas Products. To learn more about our presenter, refer to his Bio. Our topic will be Sizing and Storing High-Pressure Medical Gas. The discussion will include obtaining information, sizing, locating, ventilation, typical gasses and other considerations for medical gas manifolds.

The presentation is available for 1 CEU pending approval.

### **Speaker Bio:**

A business graduate of the University of Rochester and the University at Buffalo (MBA), Roger Watts has spent more than 28 years in various senior management roles in the food processing and large industrial air compression fields.

Ten years ago he joined Medical Gas System Solutions as vice president of operations, in 2007 he became managing partner, and since October 2012 has been president and owner of the company.

MGSS proudly represents BeaconMedaes Medical Gas Products to healthcare providers, specifying engineers and contractors in Upstate New York.



## Industry News

Bryan Schaefer

### News around ASPE:

Tim Mahon joins manufacturer's rep agency Emerson Swan for Plumbing sales. He has worked in the business for many years around the Buffalo area.

Chris Hall who had formerly held the position has moved on to warmer pastures in Florida. Good luck Tim and Chris!

### Advertising / Classifieds:

We have opened up a Classifieds section to the newsletter. (i.e.: job postings, seminar listings, etc). Please see below for NEW Classified rates as well as Advertising rates.

Checks should be made out to Buffalo Niagara ASPE and sent to Bryan Schaefer.

Advertising or Classified Ad sent to Eric Klaffka at [eklaffka@jwdanforth.com](mailto:eklaffka@jwdanforth.com)

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