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CHAPTER**

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Next Chapter Meeting April 27, 2016

Speakers: Mr. Jay D'Agostino

Topic: NFPA 99 Medical Gas Alarm
Wiring Requirements

Location: Baci Grill
134 Berlin Road
Cromwell, CT

Time: 6:00pm – Welcome
6:30pm – Dinner / Presentation

Sponsored By: Mr. Jay D'Agostino
Scales Medical Tech, Inc

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President's Message

Nicole Parker, CT ASPE President

We are a couple of weeks into April and the weather has felt more like January!! March madness is over and it was great to see UCONN men's & women's teams represent in the tournament, with the women's team winning their 4th consecutive championship, congratulations lady Huskies!

If anyone is interested in running for the Board for our Chapter please let me know. Elections will be held at the May meeting.

CTASPE Chapter News Special Announcement for April Meeting

****The meeting on April 27, 2016 is being sponsored by Jay D'Agostino from Scales Medical Technologies. The presentation will be NFPA 99 Medical Gas Alarm Wiring Requirements for the Plumbing Engineer. He will also be raffling off a 40" LED TV to one lucky attendee!!****

Tabletop Presenters!!!

We are in search of interested vendors that would be interested in tabletop presentations, will be charging a \$100 fee for those who wish to present a tabletop of their products at the meeting.

The money for these tabletops will help keep the cost of the monthly meetings at the low \$30 cost per person. I look forward to having many tabletops at our monthly meetings! If you wish to be a tabletop presenter, please contact either myself at NicoleP@BVHis.com or Anthony Carosielli at acarosielli@silverpetrucelli.com.

Region 1 Presidents Meeting

Our Chapter has been chosen for the host site for the 2016 Region 1 Presidents Meeting on June 4, 2016. This means that our Board will be working hard to find a hotel to host this 1 day business meeting in which all of the Presidents from the Chapters in Region 1 will attend, along with our Regional Director, Paul Silvestre and typically two members of the National Board. As the host Chapter we will be asking for any Sponsorships to help assist with the cost of the Meet & Greet on night before the meeting and for the cost of the meals for the Business meeting. Anyone interested in sponsoring please contact me at NicoleP@BVHis.com. I will need all sponsors to let me know by May 6th in order to give me time to have a poster made with the names of all those who have participated.

For The Future Meetings

Sponsorship

If there is anyone interested in sponsoring any of the monthly meetings the cost would be \$600. This would give the members an opportunity to come to the meeting free of charge. Again if you are interested please contact either myself at NicoleP@BVHis.com or Anthony Carosielli at acarosielli@silverpetrucelli.com.

Special Announcement

The May 25th meeting will be sponsored by K. Ross & Foet Drains, all Engineers, Inspectors and Contractors will be free of charge.

Proof of Attendance

I would like to mention to all of the CPD's in the chapter to be sure to sign in at every meeting. They are auditing more people each year and it is a pain to scramble to collect all the proof of your credits. We will not be publishing in the newsletter the list of attendees, so please ask for a Certificate of Attendance if you need one. Also, if the course is a CEU accredited course you MUST sign in and out of the meeting. I will be keeping track of all of the attendance records so if anyone needs proof please contact me. Note: For our Inspector friends attending the monthly meetings, you need to be sure to sign in as well and I can email you a Certificate of Attendance.

CTASPE Membership

As of March 2016, The Connecticut Chapter's membership is 52. Our membership breakdown is as follows:

	Jan 16	Mar 16
Full Members:	33	34
Associated Members:	1	2
Affiliate Members:	16	16
Government Members:	0	0
Special Members:	1	1
Student Members:	0	0
Retired Members:	1	1
Total Chapter Members:	52	54

Our numbers are increasing slowly but surely and I would like to see that number increase to 60 in the next few months.

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT MEMBERSHIP:

There is no such thing as a "Local Chapter Member" all ASPE members affiliated with the Connecticut Chapter MUST be a National member. If anyone is interested in becoming a member please notify Kevin Long klong@emersonswan.com or myself NicoleP@BVHis.com

Chapter Treasury

The Chapter is in fair shape for our size. We need to make an effort to become in the plus each month instead of in the negative. Although we are struggling somewhat, I am proud to report that the Chapter is still able to remain self-sufficient.

I would like to say "Thank You" to all of the Chapter's members and our Affiliates for their continued support

CTASPE Board

CTASPE Officer Elections:

- a. Elections of Chapter Officers for the 2016/2018 term will be held at the May 25rd meeting. Nominations will be opened at the March and April meeting and will be closing two weeks prior to the May meeting.
- b. If you are interested in serving the chapter, please let myself or one of the other board members know what position you would be interested in running for. The following are a list of the qualifications the board has developed for prospective candidates:
 - i. All candidates for chapter office must be current members of the Society. In addition, prospective candidates must have attended the local chapter meetings for the previous year prior to their nomination.
 - ii. You must have your National member dues current and paid for the year.
 - iii. For consideration for the offices of Chapter President, VP – Technical, and VP – Legislative, you must be a Full member of the Society. In addition, prospective candidates must have attended the local chapter meetings for the previous year prior to their nomination.

National News

ASPE seeks committee members

ASPE is looking for interested parties to help develop an American National Standard on hot water temperature and control. Click [here](#) for the application form, or contact Director of Publications and Standards, Gretchen Pienta, at gpienta@aspe.org for more information.

Former Boston Chapter President passes away

Alfred M. Marzullo, PE, joined ASPE in 1998, served on the Certification Committee from 2004-2008, and was President of the Boston Chapter in 2005-2006. He passed away on March 21 due to complications from progressive supranuclear palsy. Memorial donations may be made to [CurePSP](#).

Deadlines are approaching

May 31: The [application package](#) to run for the 2016-2018 ASPE Board of Directors must be submitted to Director of Membership and Meetings, Stacey A. Kidd, at skidd@aspe.org.

June 30: Proposed amendments to the [current ASPE Bylaws](#) must be sent to ASPE Executive Director/CEO Billy Smith, FASPE, at bsmith@aspe.org.

June 30: To nominate your company for the ASPE Industry Award, submit the [nomination form](#) to Director of Affiliate Relations, Brian Henry, at bhenry@aspe.org.

April Technical Program

Medical Gas Alarms and Control Wiring for the Plumbing Engineer

The April meeting will be held on April 27, 2016 at the **Baci Grill, 134 Berlin Road in Cromwell, CT**. Reservations can be made on the website: www.ctaspe.com.

Reservations need to be in to rsyp@ctaspe.com or NicoleP@BVHis.com no later than April 22, 2016.

The technical program offered for this meeting will be **"Medical Gas Alarms and Control Wiring for the Plumbing Engineer"**, presented by Mr. Jay D'Agostino and will cover the following:

This presentation was custom tailored to the plumbing designers and engineers who specialize in medical gas systems. Many projects that have the wiring to master alarms and area alarm omitted end up in costly change orders. This presentation will provide information on what is required so those occurrences can be minimized or eliminated entirely. An overview of each type of medical gas alarm, what they do and where they are required as per NFPA 99 will also be covered.

Biographical Data:

Jay D'Agostino

Mr. D'Agostino is the General Manager for Scales Medical Technologies, Inc., and oversees the medical gas equipment sales, and service operations in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania.

Currently Mr. D'Agostino is a Full Member of ASPE and holds a position on the board as the Technical Vice President for the Long Island Chapter of ASPE, and was previously the Vice President of Membership and Administrative Secretary.

Mr. D'Agostino has been in the medical gas industry since 1992 and currently is credentialed through National ITC to the following ASSE 6000 standards:

- Medical Gas systems Installer (ASSE 6010)
- Medical Gas systems Inspector (ASSE 6020)
- Medical Gas systems Verifier (ASSE 6030)
- Medical Gas systems Instructor (ASSE 6050)

Throughout the years Mr. D'Agostino has designed, and assisted many mechanical engineers with the design/engineering of medical gas systems in many healthcare facilities, and has consulted with many engineers on specifying the right products for each application.

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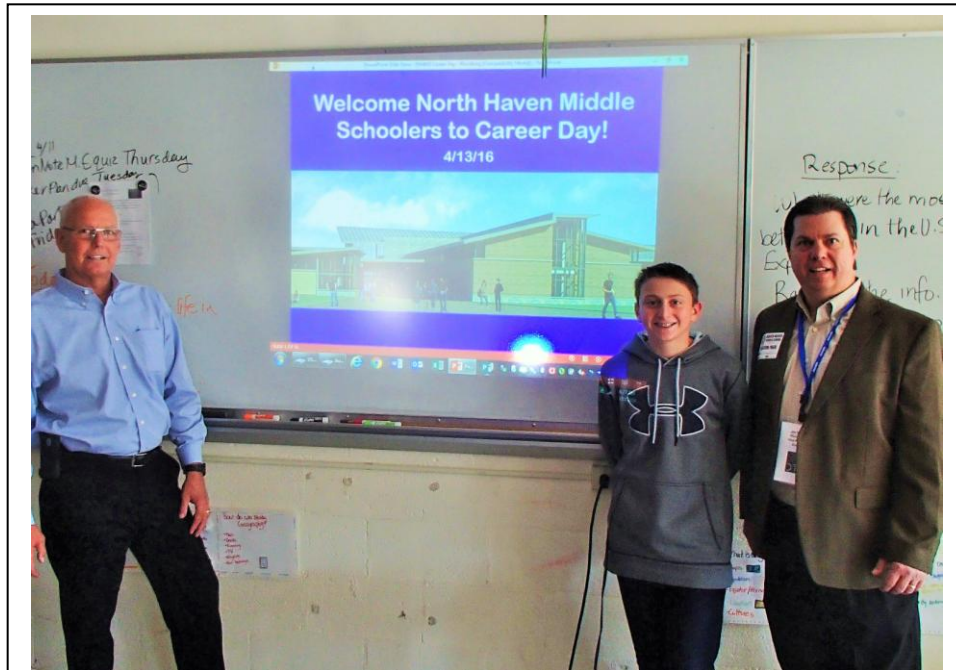
CT ASPE MEMBERS
SUPPORTING
PARENT UNIVERSITY

On April 13, 2016, longtime CT ASPE chapter members Jim Stenqvist and John Struff presented for career day at the North Haven Middle School in North Haven, CT. They talked on their plumbing engineering and design careers to the 7th and 8th grade students.



Parent University was held from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. They presented four, 30 minute classes discussing their educational and professional life. Classes included their educational background, how this education connects to your field of employment, job description, daily responsibilities, and any other anecdotal information they would like to share.

The goal was to present a diverse career experience to the student body. Parent University is designed to give your children the opportunity to attend a “University” for a day. Students will be able to choose presentations that spark their interests while learning about several vocations. This program offered a great opportunity to connect the classroom to the “real world” of work. The “WHY” in why do we have to learn this is answered at Parent University.



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UConn Hartford Campus Will Include Public Library

The Hartford Courant
By: Kenneth Gosselin
March 30, 2016

HARTFORD — The University of Connecticut's vision for creating an urban neighborhood campus around its new downtown location is taking shape with Wednesday's approval of a \$4 million plan to renovate and lease space at the Hartford Public Library on Main Street.

The center of the new, \$140 million campus will be at the former Hartford Times building on Prospect Street, where construction is well underway. The library will provide space for classrooms, a library collection and study areas. Last year, UConn paid \$4 million for the building at 38 Prospect St. for classrooms and offices. And UConn is negotiating an agreement with the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art for the use of its auditorium, with an agreement expected later this spring.

"We envisioned from the beginning that the downtown campus would be integrated with neighboring properties to get students and employees out into the community," Stephanie Reitz, a UConn spokeswoman, said, after the plan's approval. "This is an important first step in the process."

When UConn moves its regional campus in West Hartford to downtown Hartford in the fall of 2017, it expects to welcome 2,300 students and 300 faculty. The university had envisioned a structure of 220,000 square feet on the Times site. But it downsized that to 140,000 square feet of classroom and office space, plus 20,000 square feet of retail space. The smaller scale was also more in line with the Times building and the surrounding area — and kept the project's costs in check. The redevelopment cost, including the restoration of the historic Times facade, has doubled from the initial estimate of \$70 million.

To make up for the smaller size, the university began negotiating with nearby venues, promoting the idea of an urban neighborhood and increased foot traffic benefiting the nearby Front Street entertainment district. UConn says the costs for the library project and the purchase and \$4.8 million in renovations to 38 Prospect are contained within the overall \$140 million cost.

UConn logos will embellish much of the library space occupied by UConn, but the library hopes the relationship will develop further, possibly leading to collaborations with the university.

"We are especially pleased at the relationship which has been formed over many months, between Hartford Public Library and UConn, and look forward to all the possibilities and positive impacts this relationship will create for the citizens of Hartford," Mary T. Tzambazakis, the library's interim chief executive officer, said.

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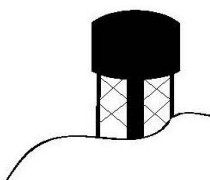


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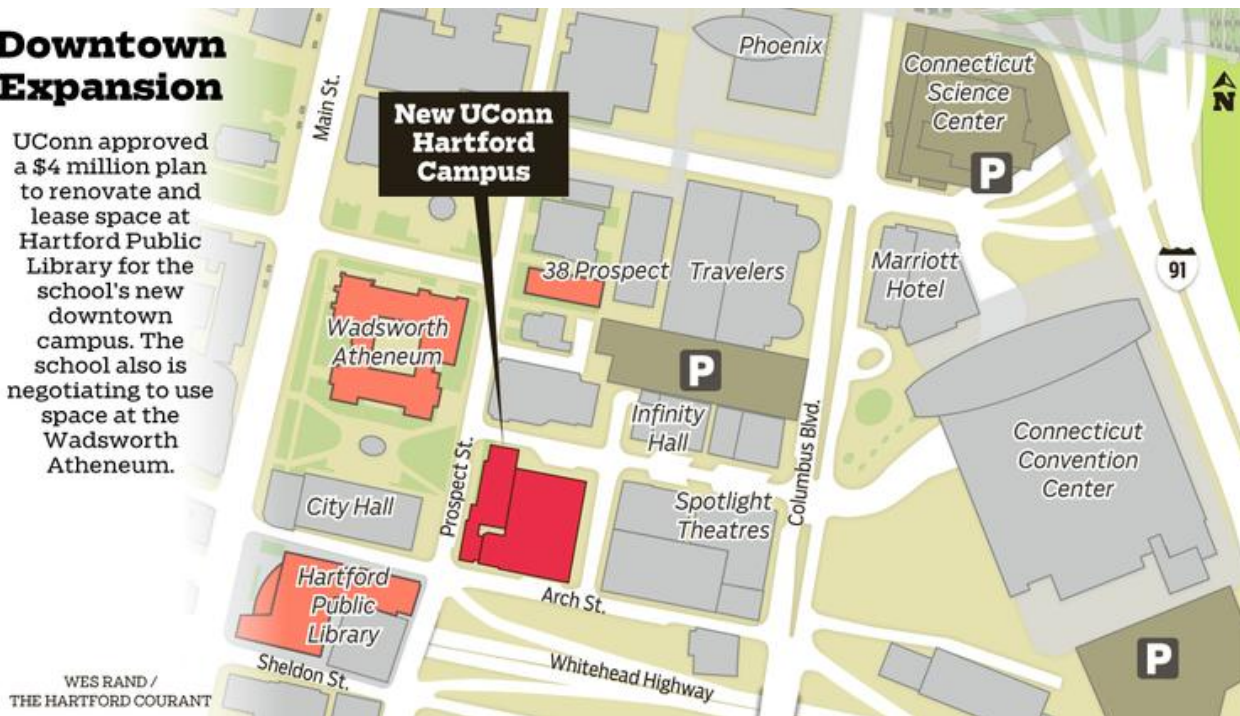
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Downtown Expansion

UConn approved a \$4 million plan to renovate and lease space at Hartford Public Library for the school's new downtown campus. The school also is negotiating to use space at the Wadsworth Atheneum.



UConn's agreement with the library had already gained approval from the library's board and the Hartford city council, the latter on Monday.

The university's lease at the library will run 15 years and include annual payments to cover maintenance, security and other operating expenses. In the first year, the payment would be \$172,000.

UConn would occupy about 12,000 of 132,000 square feet, mostly on the ground level and main floors of the library. The spaces will be open to the library and the community when not in use by the university.

Those areas will include three 48-seat classrooms, a digital media center, space for tutoring services, private study lounges and storage for collections.

Under the agreement, 4,300 square feet will be renovated primarily for use by the library and include one 36-seat classroom, a 40-seat computer lab and other space.

The Capital Region Development Authority has agreed to provide access to 2,000 parking spaces, but no more than 850 at peak parking times.

Students would park at the convention center. Faculty would park at the convention center, science center and a Front Street garage.

The Hartford Courant
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March 30, 2016

Courant staff writer [Kathleen Megan](#) contributed to this story.

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FACT SHEET: Working Together to Build a Sustainable Water Future

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Water challenges are facing communities and regions across the United States, impacting millions of lives and costing billions of dollars in damages. These challenges are particularly problematic in predominantly poor, minority, or rural communities, where water inequality can go hand-in-hand with socioeconomic inequality. Recent events, including record-breaking drought in the West, severe flooding in the Southeast, and the water-quality crisis in Flint, MI, have elevated a national dialogue on the state of our Nation's water resources and infrastructure. This dialogue is increasingly important as a growing population and changing climate continue to exacerbate water challenges. Accordingly, we must work together to build a sustainable water future—one in which everyone has access to the safe, clean, and affordable water they need, when and where they need it. That's why today, as part of World Water Day, the White House is hosting a Water Summit to shine a spotlight on the importance of cross-cutting, creative solutions to solving the water problems of today, as well as to highlight the innovative strategies that will catalyze change in how we use, conserve, protect, and think about water in the years to come. In addition, following the White House's call to action issued in December, more than 150 external institutions are joining the Federal government in announcing new efforts and commitments to enhance the sustainability of water in the United States by managing our water resources and infrastructure for the long term. These efforts and commitments include needed steps to accelerate development, demonstration, and deployment of innovative technologies; support critical research; enhance data collection, access, and usability; conserve water and water basins; raise public awareness; and deliver tools and technologies so that we can ensure that future generations have access to safe and reliable water resources.

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Billy the Clown	Balloon animals and clown show	12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.
Danny Magic	Magic and comedy	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Girl Scouts of Connecticut	Information and crafts	All day!
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ASPE Connecticut Chapter Technical Program 2015-2016

October 28, 2015	Topic: <i>The Role of Insulation in Energy Efficient Design</i> Speaker: Tom MacKinnon Tabletop: Knauf Insulation
November 18, 2015	Topic: <i>Water Conservation in Plumbing Fixtures</i> Speaker: John Peterson Tabletop:
December 16, 2015	Topic: <i>CHRISTMAS PARTY</i> Speaker: Tabletop:
January 27, 2016	Topic: <i>Backflow Prevention</i> Speaker: Mr. Rob Gromeand Tabletop:
February 24, 2016	Topic: <i>CSST</i> Speaker: Robert Torbin, Omega Flex Tabletop: Thad Rice, Tower Hill Sales
March 16, 2016	Topic: <i>CT State Plumbing Department</i> Speaker: Mr. John Tye Tabletop:
April 27, 2016	Topic: <i>NFPA 99 Medical Gas Alarm Wiring Requirements for the Plumbing Engineer NFPA 99; "What edition should you be following?"</i> Speaker: Jay D'Agostino Tabletop:
May 25, 2016	Topic: <i>Roof Drains – The Whole Story</i> Speaker: Jeremy Ross Tabletop:

All Meeting to be held at Baci Grill unless noted

Proposed Program topics subject to change!!!

Chapters are not authorized to speak for the Society