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President's Report

Tina Capece, CPD – Chapter President

I would like to thank Jay Otto for providing lunch for everyone who came to see his presentation on the Practical Design and Implementation of Water Reuse Systems and Utilization. We had standing room only with over 48 members and that was about 95 percent designers and engineers.

Please see Rick O'Berry's note for the Virginia Beach/Norfolk area. If you don't know already it was voted by National that we can start our Satellite chapter in the Virginia Beach/Norfolk area. Thanks to everyone who helped and signed the partitions. This has been something that we tried over 15 years ago, so it is truly a great accomplishment. So thanks to Rick O'Berry, CPD and Chad Luettel, CPD for taking on this task and successfully getting it done. I hope that all the members in the Virginia Beach and Norfolk area take full advantage of the local satellite chapter.

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Continued President's Report

The table-top are a great success, we had the following sponsors for last month's meeting - Jay Otto of Otto Sales - Craig Parker of Carotek, Inc. (he was a sponsor only last month) - Bill Lesemann of WG Lesemann and Son - Trey Anderson of TLA - Peter Pastore of RMI, and Robbie Johnson of Soter-Martin Sales & Marketing

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This month's meeting is on Emergency Eyewash and Showers Equipment and is presented by Paul Grant - Eastern Region Sales Manager/Guardian Equipment.

National Mentoring Month is January, and as I mention in last month's email the ASPE RICHMOND CHAPTER would like to show our appreciation by giving out several mentoring awards. This month's award will be given to Lewis Breedlove, CPD of HCYU. We want it to be a surprise as to whom wrote the letter to nominate Lewis for this award, so at the meeting we will disclose all this information. The letter and photos will be in next's month newsletter.

Last month door prize winner was Kevin Sherlock, CPC of HC YU and Associates he received \$20.00 and his card is featured in this month's newsletter.

In January we will have two LEED classes provided for our members and non-members to attend. Please see page 4 for more information on dates and cost.

I look forward to seeing you this month

Tina Capece, CPD President ASPE Richmond Chapter

Membership Dues Hardship Waiver

Society offers a hardship waiver for members who have lost their jobs. Go to www.aspe.org for more details on applying for this benefit.

You may not think this helps, but it allows a member to stay active and take advantage of ASPE programs, both local and national.

Technical Report

Eric C. Scott, CPD

I would like to thank everyone who came out to the November meeting. A special thanks to Michael Gauthier of Highland Tank Company for his presentation on Design and Implementation of Water Reuse Systems and Utilization.

This month the topic and speaker will be on Emergency Eyewash and Shower Equipment as presented by Paul Grant - Eastern Region Sales Manager/Guardian Equipment.

I would like to invite everyone to provide me feedback on the topics presented monthly and if there is a topic you would like to learn more about please let me know. I really appreciate everyone's input and look forward to seeing you there.

Please contact me at e.scott@ha-inc.com.

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Learning Objectives

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(Part Two) Specifying for a Successful LEED Project – Words Matter

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Learning Objectives

- Be able to identify how various specification approaches treat LEED-related issues, and subsequently prepare project specifications effectively
- Develop an integral system to incorporate green building and LEED product and procedure criteria into standard project specifications
- Analyze how additional product criteria impacts the administration of the construction phases for all parties
- Achieve a greater understanding of and appreciation for the collaborative process

November meeting photo's



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LETTERS FROM OUR READER

CLOACINA: GODDESS of the SEWERS

By Jon C. Schladweiler, Historian, Arizona Water & Pollution Control Association

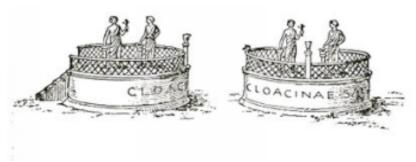
Mankind has routinely sought, through the ages, strength and guidance from the spirit world. The Romans, during the course of their Empire (650 BCE – 400 AD), worshipped many deities ... one of them being the Goddess Cloacina – in whom they placed their faith/trust for the wellbeing of Rome's sewers (and workers); a facet of Rome's public works infrastructure that was considered <u>vital</u> to their desired way of life - good health through sanitation.

Cloacina was the patron goddess of the Cloaca Maxima (the *main* drain of the City) and the city's overall sewer system. Over time, the Romans came to also think of her in a multitude of other ways including; as the goddess of purity, the goddess of filth and the protector of sexual intercourse in marriage. As such, over the ages, she came to be affiliated with Venus; and, gradually became known to many as the Venus Cloacina.

The first "sewer" segments (as opposed to Rome's initial surfaced and open topped drainage ditches) of the Cloaca Maxima were started in the late 500's BCE; the craftsmen were Etruscan – Rome's neighbors to the North. Soon thereafter, it is told that a statue of a woman was found in the sewer. She became known as the Goddess Cloacina; a deity that likely had its origin in the mythology of the Etruscans. Cloacina's name is possibly derived from either the Latin verb "cloare or cluere" (to wash, to purify or to clean) or, from the Latin word cloaca, meaning "sewer". The need for the Goddess of the Sewers soon became recognized as an important aspect of the Romans' lifestyle/beliefs during the next 600 or more years - as Rome grew and its sewer system was completed.

Recognition was paid to Cloacina in many ways:

 A shrine (aka: Sacrum Cloacina) was built in her honor in the Forum, in front of the Basilica Aemilia; directly above the Cloaca Maxima Sewer. [In fact, it is believed that an entranceway (i.e., a "manhole") to the sewer was once present within the physical confines of the shrine.] Only the foundations of the original shrine remain evident today.



Sketch of the Sacrum Cloacina in Rome



Ruin of the Sacrum Cloacina showing its circular foundation. Source: University of California Los Angeles



Model of the Basilica Aemilia showing the Sacrum Cloacina in the foreground. Source: Robert W. Garbisch

 Certain of the Roman coins minted in the times following the death of Julius Caesar (44 BCE) had an image of the Shrine of Cloacina embossed on one side of them



42 BCE Roman coin showing the Sacrum Cloacina. Source: www.wildwinds.com

- Rhymes, Poems and Prayers:

"Then Cloacina, goddess of the tide, Whose sable streams beneath the city glide Indulged the modish flame, the town she roved, A mortal scavenger she saw she loved."

A prayer that might have been offered by a Roman to Cloacina:

"O Cloacina, Goddess of this place, Look on thy suppliants with a smiling face. Soft, yet cohesive let their offerings flow, Not rashly swift nor insolently slow.

One can only hope that the spirit of Cloacina has remained with us through the ages; <u>and</u>, is still available to help with the well being of our sewers and of the people who work so hard to plan, design, construct, administer, operate and maintain them today.

Faith may indeed work wonders!

FINALLY WELCOME ASPE VIRGINIA BEACH / NORFOLK SATELLITE CHAPTER 1ST MEETING IN FEBRUARY READ BELOW

My name is Rick O'Berry from Bowman, Foster and Associates, an engineering design firm in Norfolk. I have been involved in plumbing design now for about 12 years and wondered why we have no local ASPE chapter in Hampton Roads. After a year of collaborating with Tina Capece and my colleague, Chad Luettel the ASPE board approved the Hampton Roads Satellite chapter during Expo/Convention Board meetings in Charlotte!

We are very excited about our first meeting in February and ask that you help our new satellite chapter start out on the right foot by getting involved!

The first meeting will be on the Southside (the exact location to be determined) and we are currently working on the topic. If you're interested in attending the meetings please e-mail me at roberry@bfa-eng.com or Chad at cluettel@bfa-eng.com for more information.

Thanks and we will see you in February to start out 2013 right!

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The Richmond Chapter of ASPE continues to have successful meetings and is looking to continue improving throughout the year. The strong foundation that began in September is the springboard for an even better year than last year.

Last year the Chapter initiated the following sponsorship opportunities that were well received:

Door Prizes - Miscellaneous door prizes given away at the monthly meetings for no cost to the attendees. This includes announcement in the newsletter, multiple email notices of the meeting and announce-ment at the monthly meeting sponsored.

Tabletop Presentations - Opportunity to provide a tabletop presentation of equipment or material relative to the plumbing profession for a monthly meeting. The tabletop will be set up from beginning to end of the monthly meeting. Cost is a door prize to be raffled to the attendees. This includes announce-ment in the newsletter, multiple email notices of the meeting and announcement at the monthly meeting sponsored.

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Although variable speed technology has significantly reduced the cost of pressure boosting over the past 10 to 15 years, many manufacturers who developed these systems based their basic sequencing on their existing "constant-speed" controllers. Constant speed controllers simply look at the system pressure, and if it drops, the pump turns on. If the system pressure is constant for a pre-configured time, the system turns off and the process is reset.

Properly designed variable speed controllers are designed to only consume the exact amount of energy required for a given demand by applying a percentage of pump energy. Constant speed is like driving your car with the gas pedal to the floor and regulating the speed with your brake pedal. Variable speed understands that, by changing the fuel consumption, such as backing your foot off the gas pedal, that significant energy savings can be realized. This time, when other pumps are running at full speed but there is no longer a demand, is called stand-by losses. This is time that the pump is waiting for a timer to tell it to shut down.

Since variable frequency drive (VFD) control regulates the energy consumption all the time, these stand-by losses are mitigated. Unfortunately, due to inexperience with VFD control by the industry, nearly all manufacturers still use these timers to wait for a time to begin forcing a reduction in speed (therefore energy) since the control technology is still based on



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This section will include a picture of the project and a written description from an individual involved with the project. This provides the opportunity for the membership to highlight one of their projects and also provides notoriety for the company. This opportunity is open to all members of the Baltimore Chapter of ASPE.

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