



2026 ASHRAE **Annual Conference**

MEETING OF THE MEMBERS PLENARY SESSION

ASHRAE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

Plenary Session Agenda

- Opening Entertainment..... The ASHRAE Band - The Psychometrics
- Welcome & IntroductionsMarty Simpson
Emcee
- Call to Order & Opening Remarks..... Bill McQuade, P.E., CDP,
Fellow Member ASHRAE, LEED AP
2025-2026 ASHRAE President
- Welcoming RemarksJoseph Sanders
Region VIII Director and Regional Chair
- Awards PresentationAdam Davis, P.E.
Honors and Awards Committee
- Secretary's ReportJeff H. Littleton
ASHRAE Executive Vice President and Secretary
- State of the Society/Farewell Address.....Bill McQuade, P.E., CDP,
Fellow Member ASHRAE, LEED AP
2025-26 ASHRAE President
- Closing Entertainment.....The ASHRAE Band - The Psychometrics

Please join us for a Mix N' Mingle at the Conclusion of the
Plenary while enjoying the Closing Entertainment

Snacks & Beverages will be provided



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Honors and Awards Recipients

DAN MILLS CHAPTER PROGRAMS AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in chapter program endeavors.

Alvin Lo, Director - Decarbonisation Business, CLPe, Hong Kong, China

DONALD BAHNFLETH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in volunteer service focused on environmental health issues.

Iain Walker, Staff Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California

GEORGE B. HIGHTOWER TECHNICAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in volunteer service in the area of Technical Committee, Technical Group, and Technical Research Group activities.

Pratik Deokar, Research Engineer, Rheem Manufacturing Company, Lewisville, Texas

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AWARD

This award recognizes individuals for outstanding effort and achievement in state, provincial and local government activities in connection with technical issues related to the Society.

Eid Mohamed Abdelmoneim, Senior Mechanical Engineer – Design Department, Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

LINCOLN BOUILLON AWARD

This award recognizes a member who performs the most outstanding work in increasing membership.

Kwaku Asiedu Boateng, Sales and Marketing Manager, Atlantic Climate Control Limited, Accra, Ghana

RALPH G. NEVINS PHYSIOLOGY & HUMAN ENVIRONMENT AWARD

This award recognizes significant accomplishment in the study of human response to the environment.

Federico Tartarini, Assistant Professor, The University of Sydney, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia

Meng Kong, Ph.D., Principal Engineer, GTI Energy, Des Plaines, Illinois

RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in volunteer service focused on Residential Building issues.

Philip Fairey, Principal, Building Consultants Group, LLC., Merritt Island, Florida

STANDARDS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award recognizes excellence in volunteer service for developing ASHRAE standards and guidelines.

Steven Emmerich, Group Leader, U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland

WILLIAM J. COLLINS, JR. RP AWARD

This award recognizes a chapter RP chair who excels in raising funds for ASHRAE's RP campaign.

Kevin Clannon, Senior Applied Sales Specialized Equipment, The Master Group Inc., Dieppe, New Brunswick, Canada

YEA AWARD OF INDIVIDUAL EXCELLENCE

This award recognizes YEA members for superior efforts during the preceding Society year in the promotion and success of YEA and its programs.

Tina Abbasi, Director of Operations, Zapas, Woodbridge, Ontario, Canada

Mohamed Faizal, IAQ Consultant, Intercool, Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Abraham N.O. OKOKO, Sales & Supports Engineer, AHI-Carrier, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

ASHRAE JOURNAL PAPER AWARD

This award is for the best article published in the previous volume year of the ASHRAE Journal.

David Traxler, Associate Mechanical Engineer, Burns & McDonnell, Baltimore, Maryland

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT BEST PAPER AWARD

This award is for the best paper published in the previous volume year of the Science and Technology for the Built Environment, the ASHRAE research journal.

"Development and performance evaluation of empirical models compatible with building energy modeling engines for unitary equipment"

Shahzad Yousaf, Research Assistant, University of Illinois-Urbana, Champaign, Illinois

Craig R. Bradshaw, Associate Professor and Executive Director of the Air-Conditioning and Refrigeration Center (ACRC), University of Illinois - Urbana Champaign, Urbana, Illinois

Rushikesh Kamalapurkar, Associate Professor, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

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CROSBY FIELD AWARD

This award recognizes the authors of the best paper presented before the Society during the previous year.

"Understanding PCO Air Purification Systems"

Lukasz Sztaberek, Associate Professor, NYC College of Technology, Brooklyn, New York

Christopher Koenigsmann, Associate Professor, Fordham University, Bronx, New York

Ken Haesslein, Undergraduate Research Assistant, Fordham University, Bronx, New York

Arham Jamshaid, Fordham University, Bronx, New York

Jack Loughney, Research Assistant, Fordham University, Bronx, New York

David Chacon, Jr.

Willis H. Carrier Award

This award is given to a member 32 years of age or younger for presenting an outstanding paper at a Society conference during the previous year.

"Laboratory Evaluation of Control Verification Procedures for Certification of Variable-Speed Heat Pump Behavior"

S. Kia. Mossalaei, Research Assistant, Herrick Laboratories, West Lafayette, Indiana

ASHRAE BEST PAPER AWARD

This award recognizes the authors of the best papers presented at Society conferences during the previous year.

“Development of Novel Techniques for Non-Invasive Air Leakage and Moisture Detection in Building Envelopes”

Philip Boudreaux, R&D Staff, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Stephen Killough

Rui Zhang, R&E Engineer, GTI Energy, Des Plaines, Illinois

Gurneesh Jatana

Diana Hun, Section Head, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

“Retrofit Solutions to Improve the Energy Performance of Existing Operational U.S Administrative Buildings”

Habib Arjmand Mazidi, Assistant Professor, Milwaukee School of Engineering University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Sajith Indika Wijesuriya, Ph.D., National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

Ravi Anant Kishorem, Ph.D., Senior Research Engineer, National Laboratory of the Rockies (NLR), Golden, Colorado

Chuck Booten, Ph.D.

“From Theory to Practice: Feasibility Study of a Thermal Microgrid at a US DoD Installation”

Amy Allen, Ph.D., Research Engineer, National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

Jing Wang, Research Engineer, The National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

Shadi M. Abdel Haleem, Adjunct Professor, Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

Matt Mitchell

Nicholas Long, Senior Researcher, National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

Gregor P. Henze, Ph.D., P.E., Endowed Professor, University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, Colorado

Jay Tulley, Research Engineer, USACE Construction Engineering Research Lab, Champaign, Illinois

ASHRAE BEST PAPER AWARD Continued...

“Experimental Investigation of Vacuum-Based Membrane Dehumidification and Evaporative Cooling-Assisted Dedicated Outdoor Air System”

Hye-Jin Cho, Postdoctoral Researcher, Hanyang University, Seoul, South Korea

Seong-Yong Cheon, Research Assistant Professor, Hanyang University, Seoul, South Korea

Jae-Weon Jeong, Ph.D., Professor of Architectural Engineering, Hanyang University, South Korea

POSTER PRESENTATION AWARD

This award recognizes the authors of the best poster session paper presented at a Society conference during the previous year.

“When Variability on Climate and Occupants Meet – How Climate Change Can Affect Different Occupants in Their House?”

Marie-Pier Trépanier, PhD Candidate, Université Laval, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada

Louis Gosselin

“Design and Operation of PCM-Embedded Radiant Cooling Systems for Enhanced Energy Flexibility”

Farouq Issam Riziq, Student, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Mingzhe Liu, Instructional Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Wei-An Chen, Instructional Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Zheng O'Neill, Ph.D., P.E., Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Mario A. Medina, Ph.D., P.E., Director of Architectural Engineering, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

This award salutes members of any grade who have served the Society faithfully and with distinction and who have given freely of their time and talent in chapter, regional and Society activities.

Aleksandar Anđelković, Faculty of Technical Sciences, Professor, University of Novi Sad, Novi Sad, Serbia

Don Bailey, Dunnellon, Florida

Charles Bertuch, Project Manager, Colliers Engineering and Design, Syracuse, New York

Marcus V A Bianchi, Owner, Marcus V A Bianchi, Littleton, Colorado

Carrie Brown, Ph.D., Director, Resource Refocus LLC, Piedmont, California

Yan Chen, Ph.D., Senior Research Engineer & Team Lead, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington

Bob Coleman, Lead Engineer, Trane Technologies, Lexington, Kentucky

Kimberly Cowman, Director of Engineering, LEO A DALY, Omaha, Nebraska

Charles Cromer, Cocoa Beach, Florida

Mahroo Eftekhari, Professor and Course Director MSc in Net Zero Building Services Engineering, Loughborough University, Loughborough, Leicestershire, United Kingdom

Charles Eley, Retired Architect & Engineer, San Francisco, California

Niss Feiner, Principle, Delta-T Designs Inc., Oro-Medonte, Ontario, Canada

Stan Gatland, Manager, Building Science and Comfort, Saint-Gobain North America, Malvern, Pennsylvania

Reid Hart, P.E., Chief Engineer, BirchGrove Hearth, LLC, Eugene, Oregon

Kyle Hasenkox, Rocky Point Engineering, Principal, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

Heric Holmes, P.Eng, Senior Manager, Mechanical Engineering, Bird Construction, Edmonton, Alberta

Joshua Hughes, P.E., R&D Engineer, The Chemours Company, Wilmington, Delaware

Elizabeth Jedrlinic, Sales Manager, Trane, New York, New York

Manfred Kehrer, Senior Associate, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc., Northbrook, Illinois

Elise Kiland, P.E., Founding Building Engineer, Cambio, San Francisco, California

Bruce B. Lindsay, P.E., Principal, Lindsay & Associates, Melbourne, Florida

Carol Lomonaco, Senior Product Manager, Vista Lake Consultants, LLC, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin

Nicholas Long, Senior Researcher, National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

Genevieve Lussier, President, Eequinox, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Eduardo Maldonado, Professor, Faculdade de Engenharia, Universidade do Porto, Portugal

Andrew Manos, Mechanical Engineer, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York

Meghan K. McNulty, P.E., Building Systems Engineer, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington

Kevin B. Mercer, P.E., Sr. Principal Engineer, Rheem Manufacturing Co, Fort Smith, Arkansas

Gwelen Paliaga, Senior Director, TRC

Scott Peach, P.E., President, SP Engineering, Inc., Mobile, Alabama

Les Pereira, Retired, Richmond, British Columbia, Canada

Tulia I. Rios, Applications Engineer, Stan Weaver, Miami, Florida

Michelle Shadpour, Executive Project Manager, SC Engineers, San Diego, California

Carey Simonson, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

Bill Simpson, Sales Engineer, Harrison Energy Partners, Little Rock, Arkansas

Jeff Stein, P.E., Principal, Taylor Engineers, Alameda, California

Elia Sterling, Theodor Sterling Associates LTD, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Fitsum Tariku, Professor, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada

Rick Vowels, P.E., Retired, Louisville, Kentucky

Bruce A. Wilcox, President, Bruce A. Wilcox, P. E. Inc., Berkeley, California

Jason Woods, Sr. Research Engineer, National Laboratory of the Rockies, Golden, Colorado

EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes Distinguished Service Award recipients who have continued to serve faithfully and with exemplary effort.

Robert Bean, RET, PL(Eng), Retired Practitioner, Lake Chestermere, Alberta, Canada

Robin Bryant, Senior Project Manager, B&I Contractors, Inc., Fort Myers, Florida

Susanna Hanson, Principal Engineer, Solstice Advanced Materials, Morris Plains, New Jersey

Isabelle Lavoie, General Manager, Johnson Controls, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Corey Metzger, Principal, Resource Consulting Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska

Ahmed Alaa El Din Mohamed, Ph.D., Chairman, Portec Link General Trading LLC, Green Vision Contracting, and Cool Pro, Alexandria, Egypt

Carey Simonson, Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

Iain Walker, Staff Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, California

David A. Yashar, Ph.D., Deputy Director of the Standards Coordination Office, The National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland

Douglas Zentz, Emeritus Professor, Ferris State University, Elkhart, Indiana

DISTINGUISHED 50-YEAR MEMBERS

This award is given to individuals who have been a member for a minimum of 50 years, and are either a past Society president, Fellow ASHRAE or Distinguished Service Award recipient or who have performed outstanding service to ASHRAE or its predecessor societies – the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers (ASHVE), the American Society of Refrigerating Engineers (ASRE), and the American Society of Heating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHAE).

Mark Allen, President, A. J. Allen Mechanical Contractors, Inc., Des Moines, Iowa

Erv Bales, Summit, New Jersey

Albert Black, III, Creve Coeur, Missouri

Robert Cappelletti, Lansing, Michigan

Dale Carter, Comox, British Columbia, Canada

Julian de Bullet, Gainesville, Virginia

Michael N. Hart, Chairman of the Board, EEA Consulting Engineers, Austin, Texas

Donald C. (Don) Herrmann, Owner, Building Resources LLC, Hudson, Florida

David E. Knebel, P.E., Consultant, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Reza Mashayekhi, President, Mashatyekhi Consultants, Inc., St. Petersburg, Florida

Frank Mills, Owner, Frank Mills Consulting, England

Awarded posthumously to **Garry Neil Myers**, Retired, Allendale, New Jersey

Thomas Reinarts, Rio Verde, Arizona

Richard Rooley, FREng, Rooley Consultants, Stoke Poges, England

Ronald Shelton, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Phil Trafton, Principal Advisor, Coffman Engineers, Woodland Hills, California

Saul V. Villanueva, P.E., President, Mechanical Applications Consultants, Inc., San Jose, California

Timothy G. Wentz, Emeritus Professor, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska

Greenville Yuill, Placitas, New Mexico

DISTINGUISHED 75-YEAR MEMBERS

This award is given to individuals who have been a member for a minimum of 75 years.

Joseph S. Lea, P.E., Retired, Jamaica, New York

ANDREW T. BOGGS SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes an Exceptional Service Award recipient for continuing unselfish, dedicated and distinguished service.

Larry J. Fisher, Founder, ECT Services, Louisville, Kentucky

EUNICE FOOTE DECARBONIZATION AWARD

This award recognizes a member who works to reduce carbon emissions in the built environment.

Luke Leung, P.E., P.Eng, Principal, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill (SOM), Chicago, Illinois

LOUISE & BILL HOLLADAY DISTINGUISHED FELLOW AWARD

This award is given to an ASHRAE Fellow for continuous preeminence in engineering or research work.

Costas Balaras, Research Director, Institute for Environmental Research & Sustainable Development, National Observatory of Athens, Greece

EMCEE

Marty Simpson

An accomplished comedian who has shared the stage with stars like Leanne Morgan and Jeff Allen, Marty has toured globally, bringing his signature brand of laughter to audiences in 46 states and across three continents.

Seen on ESPN, BET, Nickelodeon, and Amazon Prime, his viral DryBar Comedy specials have racked up tens of millions of views. A Trial By Laughter finalist and festival favorite, Marty's comedy comes from 30+ years of marriage, the struggles of getting older, two grown kids, and a decade of coaching football and teaching drama.



The ASHRAE Band – The Psychrometrics

Back by popular demand, the ASHRAE Psychrometrics Band returns this year to ramp up the excitement and kick off our 2026 Annual Conference in style! Made up of ASHRAE members, the band delivers crowd favorite hits spanning generations, so sing along to your favorites and join in on the fun!





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