

November 2014 Edition

### Upcoming Events

- November 12, 2014
  - Monthly meeting
  - Donor Recognition Night
  
- December Tour

#### SWF ASHRAE Chapter Meeting Announcement

**Date:** Wednesday, November 12, 2014

**Location:** The Edison Restaurant & Bar

<b>Time 5:00 – 5:30</b>	<b>Board of Governor’s Meeting</b>
<b>5:30 – 6:00</b>	<b>Networking / Tech Topic</b>
<b>6:00 – 8:00</b>	<b>Dinner Meeting and Main Program</b>

**Cost:** \$35.00\*\* Per Attendee – Reservations please! There is no cost for college students with a valid student I.D.

**Pre-Pay** on our chapter website [www.swflashrae.org](http://www.swflashrae.org) or RSVP to Jason Hardman at (239) 219-8360.

**Main Program: Round table discussion: Specifications, what do they mean to you?** Come join us as we have a round table discussion about the ins and outs of specifications from different perspectives within the design and construction world. Our panel will include Bill Malphus, HVAC rep with G.L Spies Company, Jason Grabowski, vice president with B & I Contractors, Todd Griffith, VP – director SWFL division of Matern Professional Engineering Inc, and Hemantha Ranatunge, department of facilities management for Collier County Government. All are welcome to join in on the discussion as the table will be opened up to questions from the audience toward the end of the discussion. History has shown that these open table discussions provide some of our more entertaining meetings, so come join the fun.

#### Guest Speakers:

**Mr. Bill Malphus – G.L. Spies Company** Mr. Malphus has worked in the refrigeration/HVAC industry for 50 years with over 30 years of experience as an HVAC vendor’s rep, currently with G.L Spies Company. Bill is a 40+ year veteran of ASHRAE, past SWFL chapter president and past DRC for Region XII. He is our current honors and awards committee vice chair and Region XII H & A chair.

#### **Mr. Hemantha Ranatunge – Department of Facilities Management, Collier County Government**

Mr. Ranatunge heads up maintenance and operations from the Collier County Government complex in South Naples. He will be weighing in as an owner’s representative on what specifications mean to the end user of a facility.

**Mr. Todd Griffith, P.E., LEED AP** Mr. Griffith has over 20 years experience in consulting engineering, specializing in HVAC system design and project management. Todd has experience with design of chilled water (air cooled and water cooled), water source heat pump, split and packaged DX, DOAS, energy recovery, desiccant technology, steam production and distribution and DDC control systems among others. In addition he is a professional member of the building commissioning association.

**Mr. Jason Grabowski, LEED AP BD+C** Mr. Grabowski is Vice President of B & I Contractors and has worked in the MEP contracting industry for over twenty years. He received a mechanical engineering degree from Duke University, is a LEED accredited professional and has held numerous positions in the Southwest Florida ASHRAE chapter and Region XII.

## A message from Mr. Woody Wilson, SWF ASHRAE President

The cooler weather is upon us and you know what that means... the great migration of the northern folk is about to begin! And thank goodness for that as their migration plays a significant role in boosting our economy and, consequently, putting food on our tables. So next time you’re driving down Tamiami Trail stuck behind the “perpetual left blinker” car going 20 mph in the left lane, just take a deep breath and try your hardest to thank them for being here.

Two weekends ago was our annual Golfsgiving golf tournament and, as usual, the event was a success. Thanks to everyone that helped out, especially Robin, Autumn, Ashley, John, James, Isaac and Bill.

This month we are going to have panel discussion regarding what specifications mean to different entities within our industry. I feel this is a great topic since, for example, an engineer certainly has a differing perspective on this than a vendor. I expect a very lively in introspective conversation. Please see the meeting announcement for a list of who will be on the panel.

Finally, this month’s meeting will also be Donor Recognition Night. If you donated to ASHRAE last year please attend this meeting so that you can receive the recognition you deserve.

#### SWF ASHRAE Chapter Officers 2014 to 2015

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## Research Promotion update: Golfsgiving 2014

Our annual Golf Tournament, Golfsgiving 2014, took place November 1st and I can happily say it was a success! Here are a few pictures in case you missed the tournament this year; I can tell you that we had a blast (especially at Hole#9 - Dizzy Golf).

I would first like to thank all of our sponsors and participants, as without your support there would not be a Golf Event or an ASHRAE organization. Secondly, I would like to thank my Co-chair Autumn Spalding for helping me pull off this event, it was not easy but we pulled it off! Lastly, I would like to thank our graceful volunteers for their time and efforts: Bill Malphus, Robin Bryant, James Martin, Isaac Lima and Newton Freire.

If you were not able to take part in this year's Golf outing, I have good news in that our Fishing Tournament will be around the corner (as time flies) and is currently slated for April 2015. Look out for the Fishing Tournament flyer in the next few months and get involved in all of our events and meetings.

Don't forget we will be recognizing our donors from last year at the November meeting. I look forward to personally thanking you and/or your companies. Please attend to receive your well deserved recognition.

Ashley Fernandez

## Membership Promotion

Another month has come and gone as this year flies by! We had 5 New Members join this past month as well as 3 Advancements!!!

We'd like to welcome our New Members Randy Grimmer, Greg Ralston, Dan Rosen, Tom Harper, and Steven DiPalma! If you see them please make sure to stop by and welcome them!

Congratulations to James Martin, Al Green, and Mohamed Abdel-Aziz for upgrading from an Associate Member to Full Member status!

Please make sure you update your bio so that we can recognize you for your achievements. If you are not sure how to do this, please get with get with me or email me at [jhardman@tombarrow.com](mailto:jhardman@tombarrow.com) and I will walk you through it.

As we progress through the year, I ask that you sit back and think if you know anybody that is not currently an ASHRAE Member that you think might benefit from being a Member. I challenge each and every current ASHRAE Member to bring a non-member to a meeting and have them sign up to be a new Member. For each new Member that you have sign up, you will receive a raffle ticket for prize that will be drawn at our last meeting.



## GGAC Regional and Chapter Activities

### Montgomery County Maryland to hold Benchmarking Introductory Forum

Montgomery County Maryland will hold a free introductory forum on November 6 for the new benchmarking legislation passed earlier this year. In attendance will be:

- Montgomery County staff, who will explain the specifics of the law and how the county will be working with business owners to implement the benchmarking requirements
- A representative of EPA Energy Star explaining Portfolio Manager
- Pepco (a local utility) to present about advancements on the utility side to aid in accessing the necessary data to benchmark buildings
- First-person accounts of building owners who have already benchmarked

### Updating Online Records for GGAC Chairs

Just a brief reminder to make sure that the GGAC information for your Chapter is updated with ASHRAE. It is important that all GGAC Chairs in the Chapters be correctly identified. Chapter Presidents must make this update and it can be made online or sent into the ASHRAE office. For details, please contact Tamara Catchings in ASHRAE HQ at [tcatchings@ashrae.org](mailto:tcatchings@ashrae.org).

Get ready for the December tour!

Details are to follow!

## Government Affairs Update

DOE Seeks Comment for Rulemaking on Energy Conservation Standards for Commercial Water Heaters, Hot Water Supply Boilers, and Unfired Hot Water Storage Tanks  
*Excerpts taken from ASHRAE web article*

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is initiating a rulemaking to consider amended energy conservation standards for commercial water heaters, hot water supply boilers, and unfired hot water storage tanks (commercial water heating equipment).

Once completed, this rulemaking will fulfill DOE's statutory obligation to either propose amended energy conservation standards for commercial water heating equipment or to determine that the existing standards do not need to be amended.

