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For monthly meetings:

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Due to the size of these lists the new and move-up member lists have moved to the monthly online Reporter.

TO SUBMIT YOUR MATERIALS FOR MOVING UP, PLEASE CONTACT JANET GEORGE AT 847-954-3180 OR JANETG@ASHI.ORG

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As an ASHI volunteer, what’s in it for me?
• Opportunities to give back to your profession
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• Business-building ideas from other inspectors
• Interactions with ASHI leaders to share your ideas and expertise

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Southeastern Home Inspector Conference 2017
When: September 7-10, 2017
Location: Infinite Energy Center
(previously Gwinnett Center), Duluth, GA
CEUs: Earn 20 ASHI CEs
And bonus classes for additional ASHI CEs
Contact: www.sehomeinspectorconference.com

ASHI New York Metro Chapter
When: September 8-9, 2017
Location: DoubleTree Hilton Hotel
455 S. Broadway, Tarrytown, NY 10591
CEUs: 16 ASHI CES includes NADRA Deck Inspection
Class 4 hours
Contact: Website: www.NYASHI.com

Year of the Mentor
ASHI Western Washington Chapter 2017 Fall Seminar
When: September 15-16, 2017
Location: Shoreline, WA
CEUs: 15 ASHI CEs
Topics: Care of Northwest Log Homes; Myths of Attic Ventilation; Story-telling and Report Writing; Foundation Inspections; IRC Structural Changes Update; Floor and Roof Truss Inspections; High-Efficiency Appliance Venting Woodstoves
Registration: go to www.ashiww.org.
Contact: ashichapter@gmail.com

Rocky Mountain Chapter Seminar
When: September 16, 2017
Location: Kaplan Campus, 2200 S. Monaco Parkway, Denver, CO
CEUs: 8 ASHI CEs
Speaker: John Bouldin
Topics: Pre-Drywall, Trusses, Deck, Load Paths, I-Joists and Engineered-Wood Products
Contact: Bob Kadera
bob@360degreeinspections.com

OHIO ASHI: On the Road
FOR EACH EVENT:
• There is a $10 fee
• Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided
• Earn 2 ASHI CEUs
Register and payment online at Ohioashi.com
• Select Store from the left side
• Then Education/Dues to get to ASHI On the Road
(Dates subject to change)
Forrest Lines - Ohio ASHI Chair of Education

Northern Region: September 21
Contact Persons:
Rod Whittington (Ohio ASHI Northern Representative)
Phone: 216-952-8500
email: rod@whinspections.com
George Basista (Ohio ASHI Northern Representative)
Phone: 330-565-3760
email: GeorgeBasista@yahoo.com

North Central Ohio ASHI Fall Seminar: September 23
Location: Holiday Inn, 4073 Medina Rd., Fairlawn, Ohio
CEUs: 8 ASHI CE hours
Speakers: Gerry Aubrey (Roofing) and class on Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors
Contact: Paul Wancata at inspectionsunlimited@cox.net
Next Presentations: November 16
locations and topics TBA

Upcoming GLC Events
Crawl Space and Floor Structure Defects: September 12
Location: Mama Mia’s, Livonia, MI

GLC Fall Conference, Essenhaus Inn and Conference Center: October 13-14
Location: Middlebury, IN

Heat Pumps and Dual Fuel Systems: November 7
Location: Mama Mia’s, Livonia, MI

Great Plains ASHI Chapter 23rd Annual Fall 2017 Seminar
When: September 29-30, 2017
Location: KCI Expo, 11730 Ambassador Dr.
Kansas City, MO 64153
CEUs: Approved for 16 ASHI CEs
Speakers: Shannon Cory, Dee Goldstein, Reuben Saltzman, Jason Yacko, Tom Lauhon and Kenny Hart
Contact: mikitimertz@aol.com

Mid-Missouri ASHI Fall Seminar
When: October 6, 2017
Location: Board of Realtors Office
2309 I-70 Dr. N.W., Columbia, MO 65202
Topics: Roofing, Siding, Attic Ventilation and Exterior Walls presented by Certainteed Deck Construction and Critical Connections presented by Simpson Strong-Tie
CEUs: 8 ASHI CEs
Contact: john@watkinshomeinspection.com

St. Louis Chapter Fall Seminar
When: October 27, 2017, 8:00 - 5:00 PM
Location: St. Louis Association of Realtors Conference Center, 12777 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, MO 63141
Speaker: Bruce Barker
Topic: To Be Announced

IMPORTANT REPORTER DEADLINES:
• NOVEMBER ISSUE - 9/7/17
• DECEMBER ISSUE - 10/7/17
• JANUARY 2018 ISSUE - 11/7/17
• FEBRUARY 2018 ISSUE - 12/7/17
• March 2018 ISSUE - 1/7/17

The Reporter is produced 6-8 weeks ahead of the week it arrives in your mailbox.

May 23-26, 2018: Los Angeles/Ventura County Chapter AND San Diego County JOINT CREIA & ASHI CHAPTER Level-1 Thermography Certification Class taught by Mr. Bill Fabian of Monroe Infrared. Presented at the Downey CA Board of Realtors Conference Room. Registration information TBA.
10 STEPS TO ORGANIZING A SUCCESSFUL CHAPTER EDUCATIONAL EVENT

1. CHOOSE AN EDUCATION CHAIRMAN:
   Active member, productive, works well with people. Be sure to get members involved in planning and at event.

2. CHOOSE A DATE AND TIME FOR YOUR EVENT:
   Six months in advance minimum. Create a schedule including breaks and meals. Consider conflicting events on calendar.

3. CHOOSE A CONVENIENT LOCATION:
   Comparative shop. Look for reasonable costs for space needed, meals. Arrange for hotel guest room rate.

4. CHOOSE EDUCATIONAL TOPICS & SPEAKERS:
   Technical, environmental, business topics? Survey members and find Speaker Directory under Chapter Educational Resources page on ashi.org. Many vendors will speak on technical topics.

5. SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR CE APPROVAL TO STATES AND ASHI:
   Find State Home Inspector Board online to locate proper application and whether fee is needed. Find ASHI CE application on ashi.org.

6. DETERMINE EVENT FEE:
   List fixed costs, i.e., presenter, room, marketing, fees. Estimate number of attendees and multiply by food per person. Add fixed costs. Add reasonable profit desired. Divide by estimated attendee number. Determine whether attendee fee is reasonable based on your event experience last year or compared to other chapters’ events.

7. INVITE SPONSORS:
   Defray costs by asking local suppliers and service providers to have tables at the event or advertise on promotions.

8. PROMOTE, PROMOTE, PROMOTE!
   Create an attractive advertisement. Acquire mailing list of home inspectors available through State Home Inspector Board. Include past event attendees. Contact ASHI for member mailing lists. Get information to ASHI early for website calendar and Reporter. Get members involved in promotion. Post on Chapter Facebook and website and send out emails.

9. SURVEY ATTENDEES:
   Ask for feedback and ideas for future events.

10. POST-EVENT:
    Take photos at the event. Send a press release to local newspapers. Keep good records. Distribute a Certificate of Attendance to all attendees. Send an article with photos to HQ for ASHI Reporter. Post recap on Chapter Facebook and website.

Contact: Michele George, ASHI Director of Education and Events, Director of Chapter Relations, 847-954-3188, micheleg@ashi.org
Updates to P&P

MOTION: To increase the President’s yearly stipend from $25,000 to $35,000. PASSED. *This increase is effective October 1, 2017, ASHI’s 2017-2018 fiscal year.

MOTION: To increase the President-Elect’s yearly stipend from $15,000 to $21,000. PASSED. *This increase is effective October 1, 2017. ASHI’S 2017-2018 fiscal year.

MOTION: P&P 1.3A section 2a and 2b Policy - Volunteer Expenses: Board members must purchase all their airfare and will be reimbursed up to $750 maximum for economy class. PASSED.

1. If you are an authorized user for ASHI travel reimbursements, the following policies and guidelines apply to attaining reimbursement from ASHI HQ.

a. You may book through any travel agent (including ASHI’s official travel agent Traveline), website or third party vendor and will receive full reimbursement as long as the ticketing price is under $450.00 $750.00 AND Economy Class.

b. If tickets exceed $450.00 $750.00, then an executive decision will need to be made on whether or not the sum above the $450.00 $750.00 will be reimbursed. The executive decision will be made by the Executive Director, with the assistance of his/her assistant.

MOTION: P&P 15.2A Policy - Compensation as amended as of July 22, 2017:

1. No officers or directors shall, by reasons of their office, be entitled to receive any salary or compensation for the performance of duties other than as officer or director, and may receive reimbursement of expenses determined by the Board of Directors. Due to a ruling by the Internal Revenue Service February 2017, the President and President-Elect shall be treated as part-time employees, paid from the then-current payroll process and not eligible for any ASHI full-time employee benefits such as, but not limited to, bonuses, health care plans and 401k programs. Revised 04/29/2017

2. A $35,000 per year stipend shall be paid to the ASHI President, and a $21,000 per year stipend to the ASHI President-Elect. These stipends do not affect any other expense reimbursements.

Farewell!

Back in the Spring of 2013, when I joined ASHI as the Graphic Designer Manager for their marketing materials & the Reporter, I never imagined I’d be the Managing Editor, too. Here we are, 52 issues later! Now, it is time to say farewell, as I move on to a new position and company.

Thank you to Frank Lesh, the Board of Directors (especially Mike Wagner, Graphics Board Liaison, pictured center), the ASHI staff (freelancers included) and the Reporter readership for the opportunity to learn and grow as a designer, editor and manager. Kate Laurent (pictured left) has moved into my position. I’m sure she will take ASHI and the Reporter in fresh new directions.

There are many members I have come to know through postcards, events and Inspection-World®. I will miss interacting with them on a regular basis. My time here has been a pleasure and I wish the Reporter readership prosperity in each of their businesses.

Sincerely, Arlene Zapata

Left to right: Kate Laurent, Mike Wagner and Arlene Zapata.