



ASSOCIATION OF
ENERGY ENGINEERS

Bay Area Chapter

NEWSLETTER

January 2004

Meeting Information Tuesday, January 27, 2004

AEE Bay Area Chapter Presents

“Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Grocery Store Refrigeration Systems”

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Social Time at Rustica

7:00 – 7:30 p.m.
Dinner

7:30 – 7:40 p.m.
Chapter Business

7:40 – 8:30 p.m.
Presentation

Location:
Rustica Restaurant

Cost:
\$25 Members
\$30 Non-Members
\$15 Students

Reservations:
Reservations can be made on our chapter website at www.aee-sf.org, by e-mail to raj.daswani@arup.com or by FAX at (415) 957-9096 using the handy FAX form.

President’s Message Cont.

As the 2004 President of the Bay Area Chapter of AEE, I want to thank Rory Moran for his leadership in 2003. I also want to greet existing members and welcome new folks to this energy industry forum.

After many years of involvement with the Chapter, including a few stints as Secretary and a few more years as Co-Vice President, I’ve decided to take the plunge and write this monthly message (along with other Presidential tasks).

While much of what we do this year will involve building on our past achievements and business models, I hope our chapter of AEE can participate in the evolving and growing energy engineering and management industry.

Each year, it seems, California is confronted with challenges that affect our personal and professional lives...whether they be natural disasters, energy market manipulation, or government budget woes. Add to this the security concerns represented by the ever-present colors of the “states of emergency” and we have much to keep in mind and account for. With each new press conference our governor stages, it becomes clearer how deep a fiscal hole California is in.

One of the few bright spots is that it is happening *in* California. If there was ever a state that can re-think, research, develop, re-tool, innovate, and build a smarter tomorrow, it would be our fine “left coast” state. The other bright spot is our energy engineering and management industry.

President’s Message

Now that the champagne bottles have been recycled and the list of resolutions has been placed in the circular file, it’s time to get down to business.

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Every time the "governator" is peppered with questions about how hard a particular market sector or organization is going to be hit, his reply is, essentially, "everybody will have to sacrifice." While I understand his astute message, our industry, I believe, will prosper at the same time it is helping solve current, wasteful practices.

On a local level, I consider our "industry" to be a community. And this is why I've volunteered my time over the years on our Chapter's efforts. Through this forum we learn, network, share ideas (let alone enjoy a tasty beer from time to time). And, in turn, we affect the course of energy efficiency and management in our state and country (via our stellar website!).

With the idea of community and support in mind, I can think of no other manifestation or symbol of our community than Pacific Gas and Electric Company's Pacific Energy Center. In case you haven't heard yet, the CPUC funding for this valuable resource center is on the bubble. In short, it is moments like these when we need to turn our focus outside of our small group and trumpet the importance of a valuable resource (that we have directly or indirectly help create!) to the powers that be. Please write a note to the following address ASAP (by January 16). Send letters directly to the CPUC by US Mail addressed to:

Mr. Paul Clanon
Director Energy Division California Public Utilities Commission
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

If you do not know the value of the PEC, I highly recommend a field trip soon. Who knows, it might be a fond memory if we don't act now.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on the 27th or hearing from you. Until then, take a look at our website for various news items including last year's accomplished Chapter award winners.

The best to you and yours in 2004.

Bruce
Bruce Chamberlain
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AEE Bay Area Chapter serves as a unique forum for the discussion of energy issues and concerns. AEE Bay Area Chapter provides common professional meeting ground for facility managers, design and specifying engineers, utility and vendor representatives and energy researchers to participate in vigorous peer-to-peer dialogue, learning and group discussion.

AEE Bay Area Chapter strives to provide quality professional development opportunities that build knowledge and skills through meetings, seminars and publications. Emphasis is placed on:

- Assessing the applicability of emerging technologies, and
- Improving the performance and reliability of current technologies.

Meetings are typically held on the fourth Tuesday of the month. All interested persons are welcome to attend, participate and join the Chapter. If you are interested in joining the AEE Bay Area Chapter, you can contact Stan Boghosian at (510) 845-7468, or you can directly download a mail-in membership application from the AEE website at: <http://www.aee-sf.org/form.rtf> or <http://www.aee-sf.org/form.doc>

Do you know someone who might be interested in joining AEE Bay Area Chapter?

The benefits of joining include:

- Participating in exciting and informative programs
- Receiving a monthly newsletter containing information on meetings, events, and job openings
- Communicating with other energy professionals

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