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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

October 2026



Cedar Valley ASHRAE Members,

We have made it to the first Quarterly Newsletter of the 2026-2027 society year! We have started this year off strong with multiple events that have had great attendance. We kicked off the year with our annual welcome meeting at Quarter Barrel where we welcomed some new faces and got to play plenty of arcade games. In September we hosted our annual golf outing at Brown Deere Golf Club and were able to raise 100% of our Research Promotion goal for the year! We donated \$4,500 to ASHRAE to support their research. Thank you to everyone who sponsored and everyone that came out and played, it was a great day. Big thank you to our golf committee for their hard work. Our most recent meeting was a tour of the mechanical systems at John Deere World Headquarters. This was a joint tour with the Mississippi Valley chapter of ASHRAE, and the attendance was outstanding. Thanks to everyone for making the trip, hopefully you had fun on the bus trip over!



Abby Hayes
President
Cedar Valley ASHRAE

We have a lot of exciting upcoming meetings planned, starting with our fall Young Engineers in ASHRAE event on 10/21. See the flyer in this newsletter for more information & don't forget to register! Our next chapter meeting will be on 11/11 and will be an overview of Natatorium Design, hosted at Mechanical Sales' office in Coralville. Following that, our December meeting will be on 12/1 and will focus on Energy Dashboarding. ASHRAE Society President Sarah Maston will be in attendance, which is very exciting and an opportunity that we do not get often!

We are also starting to form a Student Chapter of ASHRAE at the University of Iowa to try to educate students on the HVAC career path. If you know any students at the University of Iowa who would be interested in joining, please send them my way as we would love to have more student members.

Finally, thank you to all of our sponsors for this year. We truly could not keep this chapter running without your support; we really appreciate it. Thank you to our platinum sponsor Data Power Technology Group, our gold sponsors Trane & Mechanical Sales, and our silver sponsors Setpoint, Mulcahy, VHF Sales, and Baker Group.

Cheers to a great chapter year ahead.

Thank you,
Abby Hayes
President, Cedar Valley ASHRAE
(abby.hayes@designengineers.com)





2026 ANNUAL Golf Outing RECAP

September 2026 - Brown Deere



This past September, the ASHRAE Cedar Valley chapter hosted it's annual golf outing at Brown Deere. We had 25+ teams register, raising over \$15,000 for the chapter, \$4,500 of which was donated to ASHRAE for Research Promotion. A huge thank you to all of the sponsors and everyone who attended, making the event such a success!

We are excited to see you next year!





Recent Event Highlights



Chapter Year Kick Off Meeting - Quarter Barrel



John Deere WHQ Tour With Mississippi Valley Chapter





Upcoming Events



- **October 21st, 4:30pm:**
Young Engineers in ASHRAE networking event at Spare Time
- **November 11th, 4:30pm:**
Presentation highlighting natatorium design with Innovent, hosted over at the Mechanical Sales office
- **December 1st, 4:30pm:**
Presentation on Dashboarding and Energy Meters with Baker Group. We will also have the honor of hosting our society president, Sarah Maston

We also now have a Linked-In, go
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**Cedar Valley Chapter
EVENT
ASHRAE**

SPARE TIME ENTERTAINMENT
ARCADE
LASER TAG

	VENUE	Spare Time Entertainment
	LOCATION	4601 1st Ave SE, Cedar Rapids, IA
	DATE	10/21
	TIME	4:30

**BOWL. PLAY. EAT. CONNECT.
ONE EPIC NIGHT.**



Board of Governors & Chapter Chairs

As begin this chapter year we want to recognize and thank all of the members who have stepped up and volunteered to be on the board this year. These events would not be possible without you! If you are interested in joining the board, please reach out to any of the listed members, we would be happy to have you!

2026-2027 CHAPTER BOARD OF GOVERNORS & CHAIRS

Board of Governors

- **Chapter President:** Abby Hayes
- **President Elect:** Ana Starbeck
- **Treasurer:** Nick Rolling
- **Secretary:** Louie Ervin
- **Member at Large:** Phil Greco

Chapter Chairs

- **CTTC:** Tim Lentz
- **CTTC Co-Chair:** Zachary Egger
- **Membership Promotion:** Lucas Waage
- **Research Promotion:** Phil Greco
- **Communications:** Ana Starbeck
- **Historian:** Morgan Simoneau
- **Student Activities:** Sam Stinson
- **Student Activities Co-Chair:** Hunter Hathcox
- **Young Engineers in ASHRAE:** Dalton Carstens
- **Young Engineers in ASHRAE Co-Chair:** Caden Noeller
- **Government Affairs:** Ahmed Bilal
- **Sustainability:** Grace Springer

Congratulations to Ahmed Bilal who is now the Regional Chapter Technology Transfer Committee (CTTC) chair. We are so proud to have a Cedar Valley member on the Region VI board!





Orlando Skyline - Host City of the 2025 ASHRAE Winter Conference

Society News



Upcoming Conferences:

2027 ASHRAE Winter Conference: January 23-27 | Chicago, IL

2026 ASHRAE Data Center and AI Integration Conference: March 3-5 | Dallas, TX

2027 Women in ASHRAE Leadership Symposium: April 12-13 | Baltimore, MD

2027 Region VI Chapter Regional Conference (CRC): April 22-24 | Madison, WI

Recent News, available on ashrae.org/about/news/2026:

[ASHRAE Highlights Building Resources as Communities Face Water and Air Quality Challenges](#)

[ASHRAE Building Decarbonization Conference Delivers Practical Solutions for Retrofitting Existing Buildings](#)

[ASHRAE Strengthens Standard 90.1 Foundation with Renewed Emphasis on Commercial Building Energy Efficiency](#)

ASHRAE Journal Podcast:

Tune into ASHRAE's most recent podcast episode highlighting Zilong Zhao and Bruno Yuji Kimura as they explore how the shift to next-generation refrigerants is reshaping ground source heat pump design, available on ashrae.org!

