**President’s Message**

I hope everyone is surviving the time change and maybe we can get that hour of sleep back before the next change. The market’s up, job growth is up, gas is up! Wait.. gas is supposed to go down. Well, from a too brief surprise of $3 a gallon in October, were still about 25 cents lower than Phoenix and Dallas. I guess we’ll live with it as usual.

I want to take time to thank our ASHRAE board for their hard work moving ahead this year. I really appreciate what you’re doing.

Here’s a look at the caretakers of the positions.

- Secretary: Morgan Royce
- Technology Programs: Patrick Watkins
- Membership Promotion: Gordon Dixon
- History: Gary Grange
- Treasurer: Erin Coffman
- Newsletter: Joe Higham
- Research Promotion: JR Sunderman

Young Engineers in ASHRAE is a growing vehicle to promote the potential of these engineers in ASHRAE.

Engineers 35 years old and younger can take advantage of YEA education, networking and mentoring.

Erin Coffman will be representing us at the YEA leadership this year in San Diego and Joe Higham is holding social evenings. Anyone interested in getting involved in YEA activities contact Joe or Erin.

I also want to thank everyone for the great attendance at our monthly luncheons. Join us again for our March Luncheon on Tuesday the 20th.

Sincerely,

Charlie Scoggin

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**ASHRAE Meeting for March**

**Topic:** 2009 Mechanical code changes and a brief Question and answer session.

**Speaker:** JT Baca with Construction Industries Division

**WHEN:** Tuesday March 20 2012 at 11:45am

**COST:** $20 Members, $25 Non Members

**WHERE:** Pappadeaux Seafood Kitchen
5011 Pan American West Fwy NE
Albuquerque, NM

RSVP to Patrick Watkins by Friday March 16th.
Email: patrick@wmcarroll.com
From the Summer Issue of the Thin Air Bulletin prior to the start of the Society year.

BOG Meeting was held at the Louisiana Restaurant where the committee chairmen were announced:

- **Education**: Bud Wildin
- **Membership**: Ron Castleman
- **Nominating**: Monie Grover
- **Program**: Buff Ohnhaus
- **Publicity**: Henry Davis
- **Research**: Jerry Tankersley
- **Technical**: Martin Hibbs
- **Energy**: Chris Smith

Price for Chapter local dues and meal package for the coming year would be $50.00.

A Testing & Balancing School presented by Buff Ohnhaus will be scheduled for the fall.

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**ASHRAE/DOE Fellowship**

ASHRAE is sponsoring a 12- to 18-month fellowship program with placement at the Department of Energy in the Office of Building Technologies, Building Energy Codes Program in Washington, DC. This fellowship provides the traditional ASHRAE Member with exposure to the area of public policy. This assignment will enable a selected ASHRAE member to assist DOE in one of the following code deployment activities:

1. Code Compliance;
2. Residential Duct Test Training;
3. Assessment of the Impact of Updating State Energy Codes; or

Federal government fellowships provide a valuable public service to the nation while, at the same time, providing engineers and scientists with a unique opportunity to participate directly in the policy-making process. This is an exciting, rewarding, and educational period in their professional careers. This enriching experience enables ASHRAE/DOE Fellows to bring back to their employers an insider's perspective on government decision-making that can contribute significantly to the mission and vision of the organization.

If you know of any members in your regions and/or chapters who might be a good fit for this opportunity, please have them contact Doug Read, our Director of Government Affairs, at their earliest convenience.

Thanks for your attention – and we look forward to interest from your members to play an integral role in growing the relationship between DOE and ASHRAE.