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President's Message

Hello ASHRAE members and friends.

I cannot believe it is only four days until Christmas and in less than two weeks we will be ringing in a New Year.

November's meeting was held at the Holiday Inn- East Mountain in Wilkes-Barre. We had a special guest speaker Ms. Tracey Jumper, one of Anthracite Chapter's past presidents and ASHRAE Distinguished Lecturer. Tracey delivered a presentation focusing on her trip to the rainforest and how the lessons learned there can be applied to our changing climate.

In January we are going to be doing something a little different. We are going to be hosting the inaugural ASHRAE Hockey Night Out on Wednesday January 17th. We will be starting the evening off with an arena refrigeration and HVAC plant tour at 5pm. Followed by a time of fellowship and networking during the Hockey game in the Ice Level Lounge. A buffet of finger foods and soft drinks are included as well as a private cash bar in the Ice Level Lounge.

Please consider joining us for the ASHRAE Hockey Night Out. Tickets are available thru the website link below.

<https://anthraciteashrae.weebly.com/events.html>

In closing I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James Pensyl".

James Pensyl

ASHRAE Anthracite Chapter President 2023-2024

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23/24
GROUP
NIGHT OUT
W/ THE PENS!



ASHRAE NIGHT OUT!

BRUINS VS. PENGUINS

Wednesday, January 17th, 2024 - 7:05PM

Join ASHRAE on their group night out this season, as the Penguins take on the Bruins! Enjoy unlimited chicken tenders, hot dogs, and soft drinks, as well as a private bar in our CCA Ice Level Lounge!

\$50 per ticket

Come to the game early for the refrigeration plant tour! Tour will start no later than 5pm

For tickets, visit: <https://anthraciteashrae.weebly.com/events.html>

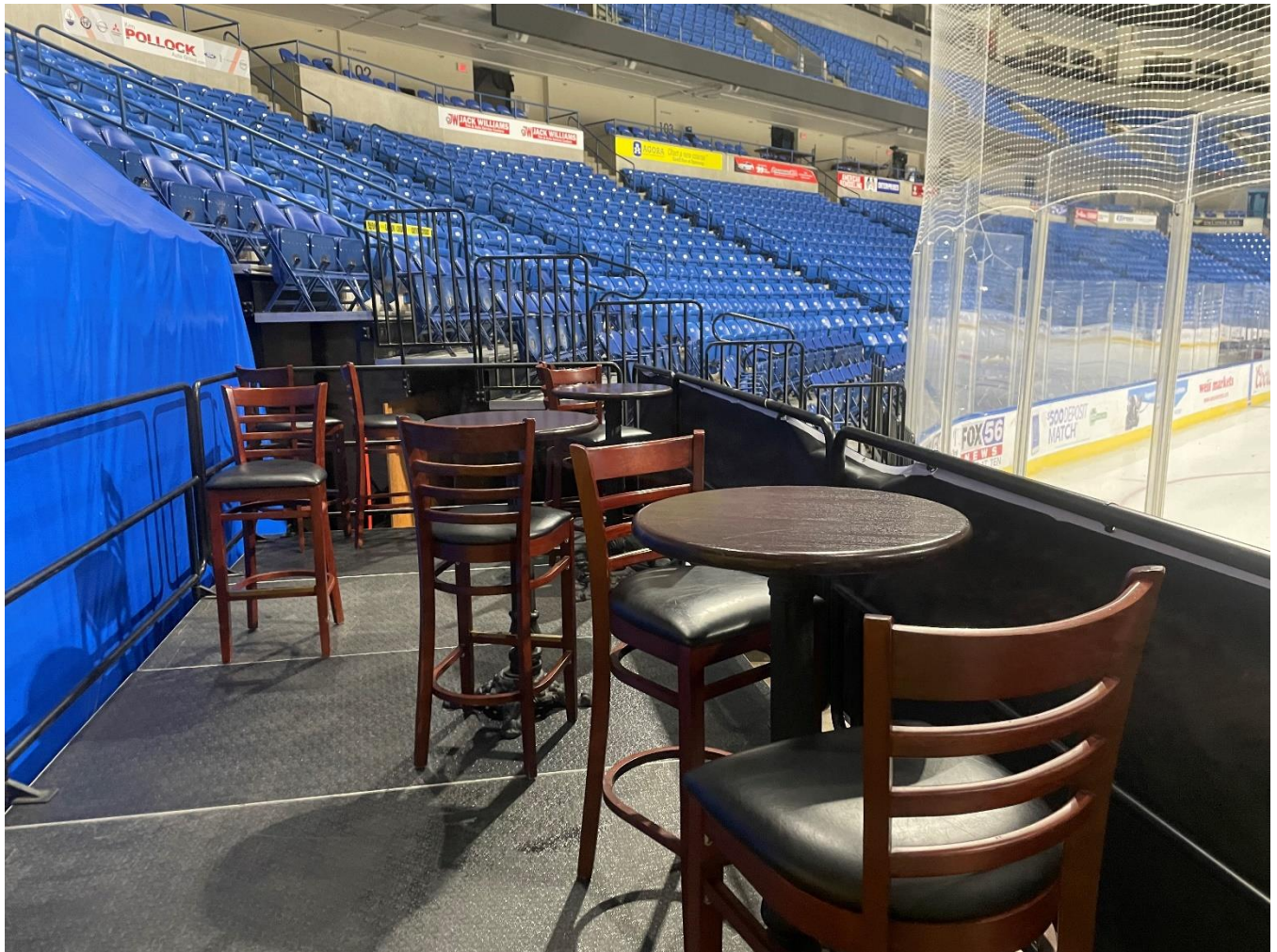
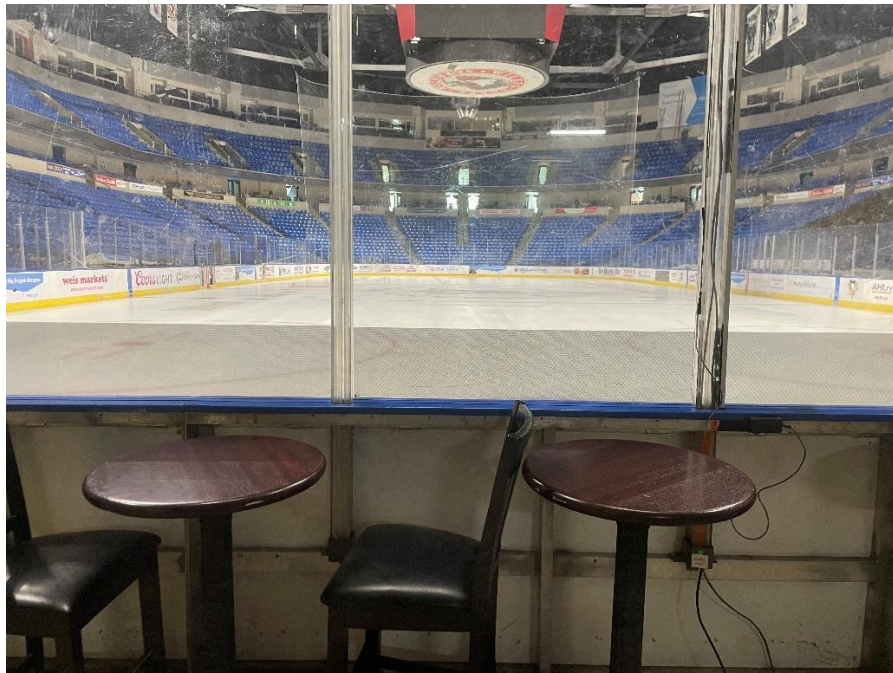
Questions about the game?

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I hope all who sponsored our Chapters newsletter last year will continue with your support. Your check can be sent to Michael Mecchi, Treasurer, or given to any of our Officers at the next meeting.

If anyone else would like to sponsor the newsletter, or know of someone who might, please contact myself, or any of the Officers.

Technology Corner

Technical articles are always welcome to be included in our newsletter. If you have a technical article that you would like to see included in a future edition of the *NEWS*, please submit articles to CTTC Chair Dennis Gochoel c134prg@ashrae.net for consideration.

Job Opportunity

If anyone has any job openings they would like to see posted in the *NEWS*, please forward all pertinent information to me at c134@ashrae.net



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The candidate will be involved from the initial conceptual design to construction close out, for projects across a wide range of industries including healthcare, education, commercial, industrial and mission critical.

In this position you are responsible for the overall total management of all aspects of the Mechanical Department.

The Director of Mechanical Engineering is responsible for:

- Reports to the partners about department needs such as manpower, equipment, software, personnel issues, education reimbursement.
- All necessary quality control on every project; that would include checking, etc.
- Increasing productivity of department.
- Establishing design standards and protocols with the goal of producing a consistent product.
- Developing & Maintaining Standardized details
- Develop and Maintain, Master Spec's. specific to SMA needs. Short form drawing and/or word for small projects and book spec for larger ones.
- Establishing format for design calculations. (Heating/Cooling loads, plumbing water/gas/sanitary/storm lines, Energy analysis, ???)
- Establishing format of design specific major project equipment.
- Selecting the software specific to mechanical department needs.
- Weekly review of all time sheets and evaluations of the mechanical department.
- Yearly review of salary increases and evaluations of the mechanical department.
- Develop project requirements in conjunction with project manager (i.e., drawing lists, scope).
- Recruiting of Staff.
- Training and Development of Staff.
- Monitoring of hours for their department on all projects and any change of scope issues.

Qualifications

- BSME/MET/BSAE (or other engineering discipline with applicable experience).
- Current PE registration is required.
- 10+ years' experience designing HVAC building systems in technically sophisticated facilities.
- Have project management experience running projects.
- Knowledge of building plumbing and fire protection systems a plus

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Date	Theme	Program	Speaker
Sept. 19	Membership/ Bring-a-Buddy	PA Commercial Utility Incentive Programs First Energy and PPL	Kevin Lugo Bud Fogelman
Oct. 17		Applying ASHRAE Standard 241& Benefits of Bi-Polar Ionization in Commercial Buildings Location: Harvest Seasonal Gill	Carlos Gendron
Nov. 14	Research Promotion/ Donor Recognition	Decarbonization- Lessons Learned from the Rainforests Location: East Mountain Inn	Tracy Jumper*
December	Research Promotion Social/ Formal	TBD	--
Jan. 17	Family Fun Night	W/B Penguins Game and Arena Refrigeration Plant Tour, Mohegan Sun Areana.	Plant Tour
Jan 20. -Jan 24	Winter Conference/AHR Expo	2024 ASHRAE Winter Conference & AHR Expo, Chicago, IL	--
Feb. 21	Engineer's Week Joint Meeting w/ SMACNA	TBD Location: Cooper's Seafood Scranton PA	George Rossi
Mar. 21	Nominating Night Joint Mtg. w/ AIA	Don't Let your BIM go Boom Location: Apple Tree Terrace, Dallas PA	Mitchell Swann*
April 18	Students/Membership Promotion	2 nd Annual Membership Promotion Mixer and Corn Hole Tournament Location: Susquehanna Brewing Company Pittston PA	--
May 23	Past-Presidents	TBD Location: Sand Springs, Drums PA	TBD
Jun. 18	Fun & Fellowship	Mark A. Hagan, PE Memorial Golf Outing	--
Aug.	Chapters Regional Conf. 8/15/24 thru 8/17/24	2024 Region III CRC, Bethlehem, PA	--

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