

# ASHRAE Region XIII CRC 2021 Membership Promotion (MP) Training Workshop 28 Aug 2021 (Sat)

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# **REGION XIII AREA ASSIGNED MEMBERS (AAM)**

	2021-2022	2020-2021	
Hong Kong	773	757	
Indonesia	94	108	
Japan	214	210	
Macau	86	90	
Malaysia	207	218	
Philippines	170	181	
Singapore	337	341	
South Korea	87	86	
Taiwan	117	117	
Thailand	75	96	
TOTAL =	2160	2204	

ASHRAE Region XIII

# Agenda

- WHAT DOES THE MP CHAIR DO?
- ASHRAE ORGANIZATION
- MEMBERSHIP GRADES
- RECRUITMENT
- RETENTION

# WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION CHAIR?

#### RECRUITMENT

• Attract new Chapter members in all industry segments

#### RETENTION

- Keep existing members engaged and prevent cancellations
- YOUR Ultimate Goal

Members (end of year) > Members (start of year)

# WHAT DOES THE MP CHAIR DO?

#### Attend Training:

- Centralized Training (Annual Conference)
- Chapters Regional Conference (CRC) Workshop
- Training Costs
  - Transportation paid by Society
  - Seek reimbursement from your BOG



# WHAT DOES THE MP CHAIR DO?

#### Prepare your Management By Objectives (MBO)

- Set goals with your RVC (by October 1st)
- Focus: Recruitment and Retention
- Discuss with your Co-Chair & Committee

#### Attract new members - Diversify

 Organize MP drives & events, ASHRAE Trainings with ALI and Certifications

#### Manage delinquent members

 Collaborate with Student Activities (SA) & Young Engineers in ASHRAE (YEA)

# WHAT DOES THE MP CHAIR DO?

### **Encourage Membership Advancements**

## Acknowledge new/advanced members

- Chapter Meetings
- Newsletters

### Get to know your members!!

- Attend Chapter meetings
- Talk to your Members
- Make them feel welcome

# **ASHRAE O**RGANIZATION

# **ASHRAE FACTS**

• "ASHRAE" founded in 1959....

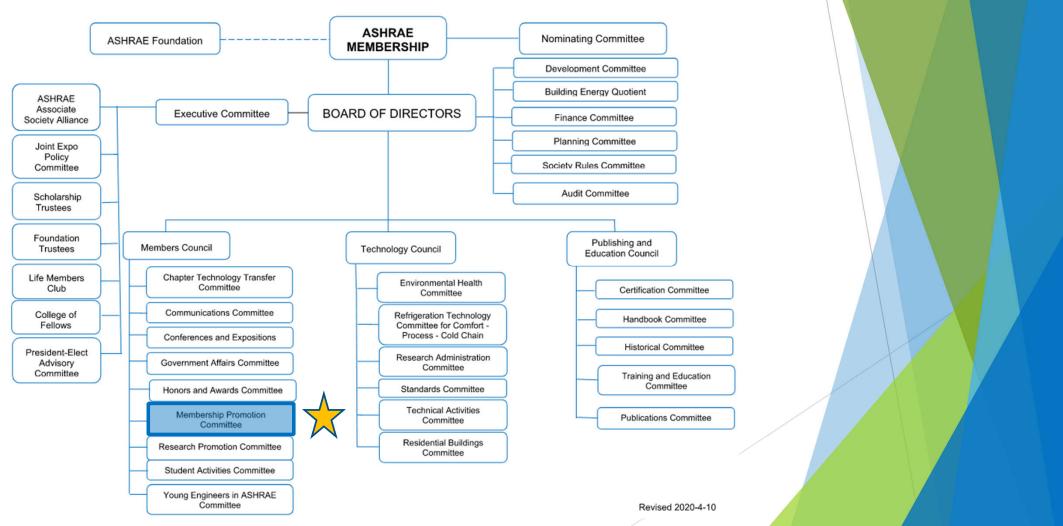
Merger of ASHAE 1894 & ASRE (1904)

- Global headquarters in Peachtree Corners, GA...
  Newly renovated (2021), Net-Zero Energy Building
- 51,500 members (May 2021)...
  Down due to Covid-19
- 15 Regions...

With 199 Chapters & 400+ Active Student Branches



### SOCIETY ORGANIZATION

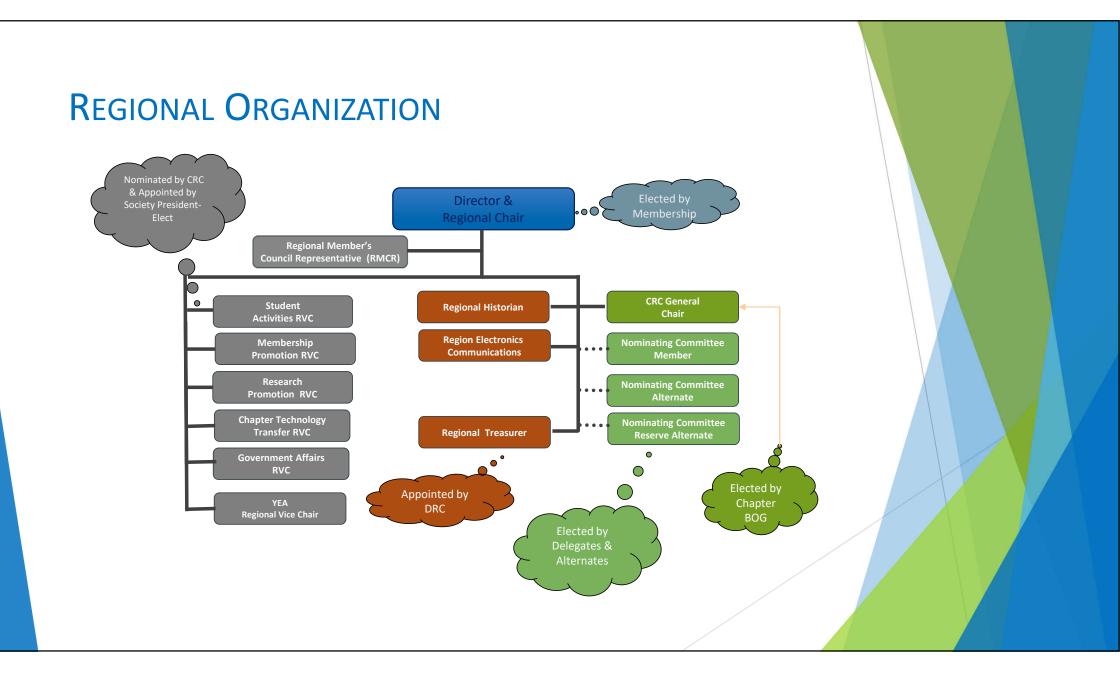


# **ASHRAE** REGIONS

#### 15 ASHRAE Regions throughout the world

#### Regions are comprised of 7 – 32 Chapters each

- US/Canada/Central & South America: Regions 1-12
- Asia: Region 13
- Europe: Region 14
- Region-at-Large



# 2021-22 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



**President Elect** Farooq Mehboob Fellow/Life Member



**President** Michael (Mick) Schwedler Fellow Member



Secretary Jeff Littleton Executive Vice President

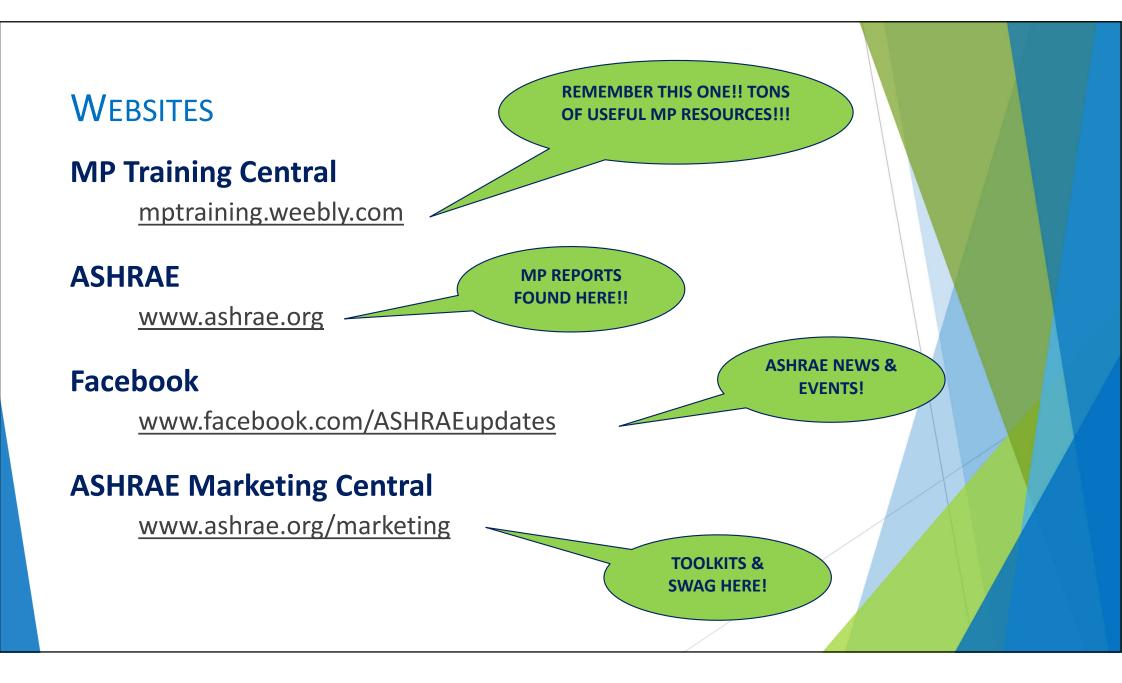
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## RESOURCES

#### **Manual for Chapter Operations**

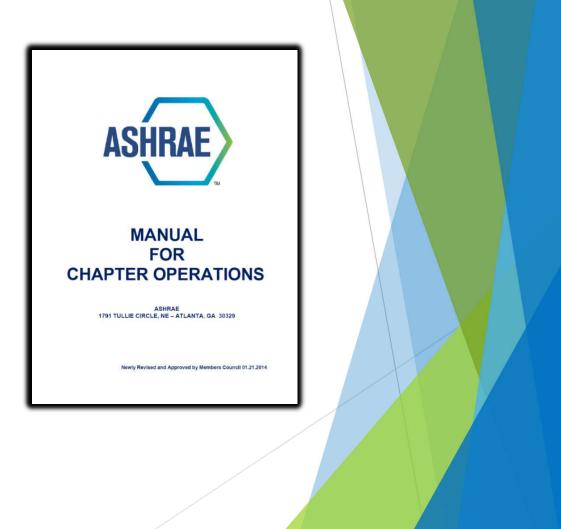
- MP Chair Responsibilities
- Membership

#### **Rules of the Board**

Membership Grades

#### **ASHRAE Bylaws**

Dues



# MEMBERSHIP GRADES

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- Student Member
- Affiliate Member
  - Under 30 years old
  - New to ASHRAE
  - Limited to 3 years
- Associate Member
  - Less than 12 approved years
- Full Member
  - 12 Society approved years

- Honorary Member
- Presidential Member
- Fellow Member
- Life Member
- Retired Member

OUR FOCUS!

# MEMBERSHIP GRADES

Why understand Membership Grades?



RECRUITMENT & ADVANCEMENTS

# STUDENT MEMBER

- Full-time student in a Society-related approved course of study
- Undergraduate & Graduate
- Dues: \$25/ year



# STUDENT MEMBER - BENEFITS

- ASHRAE Journal, eSociety, HVAC&R Newsletter
- High Performance Building Magazine
- Discounts:
  - ASHRAE Publications
  - Society Conference registration
  - Professional Development Courses
- ASHRAE Technology Portal
- Not Included:
  - ASHRAE Handbook (can be purchased for \$39/\$54 online/printed)
  - Hold office at the Chapter, Region, and Society levels
  - Voting Privileges



# AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP

- New to the Industry
- 30 years old or younger or former Military
- Reduced Dues:
  - Year 1 \$60
  - Year 2 \$85
  - Year 3 \$115
  - Year 4 \$230 (Associate Member Grade)
- Previous Student Members are not eligible



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- Professionals with < 12 years Industry Experience</li>
- Returning Members
- Society Dues: Regular \$230/year
- Chapter Dues Set by each Chapter
  - Optional
  - Encourage payment
  - Dues directly benefit Chapter



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- ASHRAE Technology Portal



# FULL MEMBER GRADE

- Professionals with 12 Society-approved years of experience:
  - Post-Secondary Education:
    - Undergraduates: 1year/year of school (2 min.)
    - Graduates: 1.5years/year of school
  - Related work experience
    - 1 year/year of employment in related field
  - Professional licensure
    - 3 years



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# PROSPECTIVE ADVANCEMENT TARGETS FOR MEMBER

- Requires 12 years experience in our industry
- PE License means:
  - Four years college
  - Min. four years work experience
  - Three years PE/PEng license

# Why Encourage Advancements?

Associate to Full Member Advancements = **PAOE POINTS!** 

- Identify Advancement Targets using Chapter Master List
  - Sort by "Member Type" Associate Member
  - Join Date > 2008? Yes → Upgrade to "Full Member"



**11 Years Experience!** 

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# POSITIONS REQUIRING FULL MEMBER GRADE

- Regional Nominating Committee Min. 5 years
- Regional Vice Chairs (RVC) Min. 3 years
- Assistant Regional Chair (ARC) Min. 3 years Region
- Members Council Representative Min. 3 years
- Director and Regional Chair (DRC) Min. 5 years
- Any Elected Society-level Position Min. 5 years

#### **Reasons to Advance to "Full Member"**

- Member interested in holding these positions (now or future)
- Positions require multiple consecutive membership years

# DEVELOPING ECONOMIES MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

#### • What is it?

- "Low income" & "Lower Middle Class" countries
- Defined by The Word Bank

#### Dues – Approximately 50% reduced fee

	Regular	Developing Economies
Student	\$25	\$15
Affiliate	\$60/\$85/\$115	\$35/\$50/\$70
Associate	\$230	\$135
Full Member	\$230	\$135

# **DEVELOPING ECONOMIES - BENEFITS**

Visit: <a href="https://www.ashrae.org/membership/member-benefits">https://www.ashrae.org/membership/member-benefits</a>

Benefit	Student	Affiliate	Associate & Full Member
Handbook	No \$39/\$54 (Online/Printed)	No 15% Off PDF	PDF Only
Publication Discounts	Yes	Yes	Yes
ASHRAE Journal	Digital Only	Digital Only	Digital Only
Hold Office & Vote	No	No	Yes
eSociety & HVAC&R Newsletter	Yes	Yes	Yes
High Performance Building Magazine	Yes	Yes	Yes

# OTHER MEMBERSHIP GRADES: HONORARY MEMBER

- Any notable person of preeminent professional distinction
- Elected by Board of Directors
- Previous Society Member Nope!
- Deadline for nomination: December 1
- Exempt from annual dues
- 2019 Recipient



**Bill Gates** 

# OTHER MEMBERSHIP GRADES: FELLOW

- Attained distinction in the field of HVAC or the allied arts and sciences through:
  - Invention
  - Research
  - Teaching
  - Design
  - Original work
  - Engineering executive on projects of unusual or important scope
- Current ASHRAE Member (10 years)
- Deadline for nomination: December 1
- College of Fellows
  - Ambassadors Enhance ASHRAE's image in Community
  - Increase awareness of ASHRAE

### OTHER MEMBERSHIP GRADES: LIFE MEMBER

- Member or Associate Member
- Good standing  $\geq$  30 years <u>AND</u> Age  $\geq$  65 years
- Exempt from dues
- Can request handbook

### OTHER MEMBERSHIP GRADES

#### **Retired Member**

- Completely retired
- Member in good standing for 10 years
- At least 55 years of age
- Receive monthly Journals & Insights newsletters
- No Handbook
- Annual dues are \$35.00
- MP Chair feedback:
  - Losing members to due retirement

## NOTE: Society Staff have to transfer Associate and Members to Retiree, can not be done online. Just email membership@ashrae.org

#### Developing Economies Retired Member

- Same requirements as a Retired Member
- Receive monthly digital Journals & Insights newsletters
- No Handbook
- Annual dues are \$20.00

# $\begin{array}{l} \mathsf{MEMBERSHIP} \ \mathsf{Advancements} \\ \mathsf{Student} \ \overrightarrow{\rightarrow} \ \mathsf{Associate} \ \mathsf{Members} \\ \end{array}$

### smartstart program graduate. transfer. succeed

#### SmartStart Program:

- Transfer from Student Member to Associate Member at reduced rates
- Dues:

	Regular	Developing Economies
Year 1	\$25	\$15
Year 2	\$85	\$50
Year 3	\$115	\$70

- Same benefits as Associate Membership
- Promote to graduating Students Coordinate with SA Chair

www.ashrae.org/smartstart

### MEMBERSHIP ADVANCEMENTS AFFILIATE $\rightarrow$ ASSOCIATE

- Advancement Automatic
- May advance early to Associate Member (have to pay the difference in dues)



- Request Advancement:
  - Member (or MP Chair) can email Society <u>membership@ashrae.org</u>

### MEMBERSHIP ADVANCEMENTS ASSOCIATE $\rightarrow$ FULL MEMBER

- Must prove 12-year requirement is met
- Instruct member to update ASHRAE bio in their online profile
- Request Advancement:
  - Member (or MP Chair) can email Society at <u>membership@ashrae.org</u>

#### RECOGNIZE ADVANCEMENTS AT <u>EVERY</u> MONTHLY MEETING & IN YOUR NEWSLETTER!

### WHY ADVANCE TO "FULL MEMBER"?

- Start cumulating "Member" years
- Qualify for specific Honors and Awards
- Qualify for Regional & Society positions
- Prestige
- Why not? → No additional cost

# RECRUITMENT



### RECRUITMENT: WHAT HAS WORKED BEFORE?

#### MP BATTLE:

- Encourages employer support
- Trophy awarded at end of year, monthly shoutouts to top 3 companies
- Invite CEO/Principal to ASHRAE meeting for presentation

#### EVENT SPONSORSHIP:

- Technical Seminar or Trade Show
- Various levels of sponsorship offered different number of free memberships
- ASHRAE Trainings through ALI and Certifications!



### RECRUITMENT: WHAT HAS WORKED BEFORE?

#### TARGET DIFFERENT SECTORS:

- Think outside of the box
- Granite State Chapter invited School Principal & Superintendent to an IAQ presentation. They both joined ASHRAE as a result.

#### VIRTUAL COMPETITIONS:

- San Joaquin Chapter hosted a virtual roulette event where the winner earned credit towards the cost of membership
- Could be used with a raffle or trivia competition



### RECRUITMENT: MP CHAIR'S JOB

# **PROMOTE ASHRAE!!!!**

#### COMMUNICATE

- Benefits of ASHRAE
- Regular Chapter newsletters/blog
- Send personal emails

#### CREATE

- Inviting atmosphere
- Incentives to join

#### TARGET

- Individuals
- Employers



### COMMUNICATE: BENEFITS OF ASHRAE

#### THE TANGIBLES

- ASHRAE Handbooks
- ASHRAE Journal, Insights, HPB Magazine
- ASHRAE Newsletters/Blog
- ASHRAE Standards
- Leadership Training

#### THE INTANGIBLES

- Networking
- Personal and Professional Development
- Fun!
- Secure employment or career advancement







March 2021 Alaska Chapter Newslette Hot Gas Bypass

#### resident's Message:

ska ASHRAE Member

to believe we just have a couple more months left before we break mmeri I hope you are all enjoying the extra sunshine we've been g. I vould like to thank those of you who attended the February ng. It was well-attended and there was a lively discussion at the end, nk you all for participating. As well, thank you to those who buted and/or volunteered during Engineering Month in any capacity. ways appreciated.

### CREATE: INTEREST IN ASHRAE

#### INVITING ATMOSPHERE

- Greet Members at Meetings
- Recognize Members
  - Member Grade Advancement
  - Membership Milestones (5 yr., 10 yr., 20 yr, etc.)
  - Life Members
  - ASHRAE Certifications
  - Award Achievements
  - PE/PEng license

#### INCENTIVIZE

- Membership Drives/Contests
- New member gifts







### **CREATE:** INTEREST IN ASHRAE

#### MEMBERSHIP DRIVES

- At Chapter Meetings
  - "Member Bring a Member" (offer a gift)
  - Set up computer with member application
- Chapter Referral Program
- Award referring member and new member
- Reward Programs for Companies that support membership
  - Recognize at Chapter Meetings, newsletters & Membership emails
- Technical sessions, special member-only events, honors & awards banquets



### TARGET MARKET

Engineers / Consultants

Architects

Contractors

Sales Engineers

Distributor

Manufacturer's Reps

Teachers / Researchers

Government, Health & Education Leaders

**Design Build Contractors** 

Facility Managers

**Building Owners** 

**Property Managers** 

Students



### TARGET: CONNECTIONS

#### What do prospective members want?

- Networking Opportunities?
- Visibility and Recognition?
- Join Chapter/Society Committee?
- Professional Development?
- Connect with industry peers and their customers?
- Career Advancement?
- Leadership Training?
- Fun?

#### How do you find this out?

Just ASK!!!!!

### CONNECTING CORE VALUES:

### WHAT DO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS & EMPLOYERS WANT?







"How can I better serve my clients"

ASHRAE's Standards

 Offers design guidance → Provide right solutions to their clients

**Chapter Meetings** 

Offers local training on industry topics

**ASHRAE** Webinars

Training from the comfort of your office on industry topics

### CONNECTING CORE VALUES: WHAT DO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS & EMPLOYERS WANT?



#### "Ways to connect with industry peers"

ASHRAE provides phenomenal networking opportunities in a non-competitive environment

- Chapter Meetings
- Social Events
- Committee Involvement
- Annual & Winter Conferences

### CONNECTING CORE VALUES: WHAT DO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS & EMPLOYERS WANT?



#### "Visibility and Recognition"

ASHRAE's Honors and Awards recognize the technical and personal achievements of our members.

What better way than to be honored by **THE** Society that defines the standards for our industry?

### PROMOTE ASHRAE You've identified their core values, now what?

#### Time to Tell your ASHRAE Story (Elevator Pitch)

How as ASHRAE benefited you?

#### Your Elevator Pitch should be:

- Personal
- Concise
- Persuasive
- Communicate value of ASHRAE both tangibles & intangibles!



### ASHRAE REACH PROGRAM



www.ashrae.org/reach

#### Employer support program

- Tips and templates to help promote ASHRAE
- Printed materials to give to employers

### CONNECT-A-COLLEAGUE



Pre-written invitation to join ASHRAE

Sent on your behalf Available to any member



It is so simple! Just enter:

Your name & email Colleague's name and email, Press send!

#### PROMOTE THIS PROGRAM TO YOUR MEMBERS!

www.ashrae.org/connect



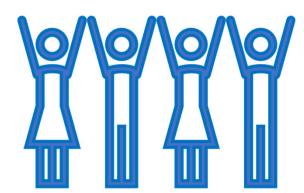
### WHEN THEY JOIN

New Members are assigned to a Chapter based on their address

 <u>Area-Assigned Member</u> (AAM) for Chapter

Option to pay Chapter dues during registration

- Members who pay their chapter dues are <u>Chapter Dues Paying Members</u>
- Why encourage payment?
  - Income for YOUR Chapter!



### THEY'VE JOINED, NOW WHAT?

You will receive a monthly email identifying new members:

- Send them a welcome email
  - > Thank them for joining!
  - List Chapter meeting schedule
  - > Upcoming social events
  - Invite them to the next meeting
  - > Visit <u>www.mptraining.weebly.com</u> for welcome letter template
- Ask YEA Chair to contact YEA members
- Post new member in newsletter, list member grade
- Announce new members at next Chapter meeting
  - Have them stand to be recognized
- Get them involved!

OTHER IDEAS?

come

# RETENTION



"It is 6-7 times more expensive to acquire a new customer than it is to keep a new one"

> Source White House Office of Consumer Affairs

### RETENTION: WHAT HAS WORKED BEFORE?

#### SUCCESS STORIES:

- Personal emails to explain Hardship Clause
- Chapter Subsidies:
  - If Hardship Clause doesn't apply
  - Sponsor Student Memberships
- Using the BOG to manage delinquencies:
  - Monthly list sent to group
  - Divide and conquer!
- Member spotlight at meetings:
  - Recognize both new & longstanding members



### RETENTION: WHAT HAS WORKED BEFORE?

#### **INTERESTING EVENTS:**

- Whiskey Tasting & Chapter Lore
- Goat Yoga
- Networking Happy Hour
- Salsa & Margarita Making
- Virtual Escape Room
- Holiday Sweater Bingo
- Trap Shoot
- Fishing
- Paint & Wine Night



### **RETENTION: MP CHAIR'S JOB**



# MAINTAIN VALUE!!!

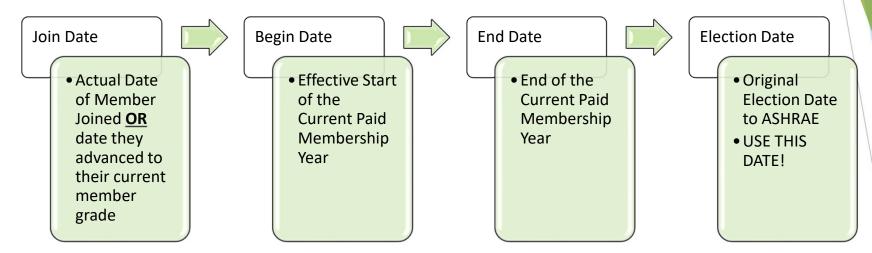
#### Remind

The member originally joined because they saw value in membership

#### ENGAGE

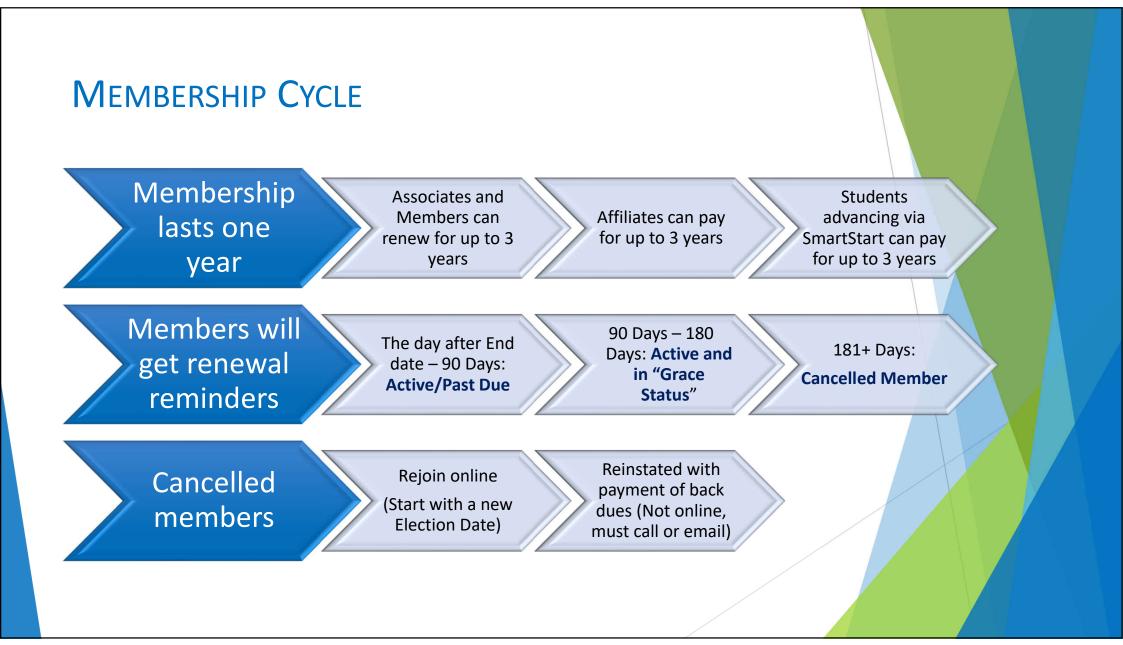
Keep the member engaged so that they believe in the value of continued membership

### MEMBERSHIP CYCLE



#### Example:

Member No	Member Type	Join Date	Begin Date	End Date	Election Date	Member Status
8170618	Member	2010-04-14	2020-05-01	2021-04-30	2010-05-01	Active
8186998	Associate	2011-01-10	2020-02-01	2021-01-31	2011-02-01	Active
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### **REMIND MEMBERS WHY**

#### RUN REPORTS MONTHLY

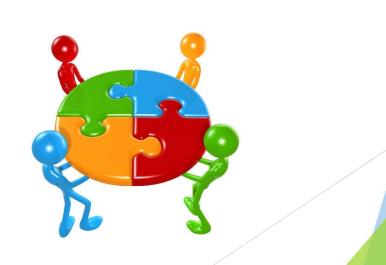
- Track members who are in Grace or approaching renewal
- Review delinquencies at BOG meetings

#### CONNECT WITH MEMBERS

- Ask why they have not renewed
- Ask why they have cancelled
- Provides options and solutions

#### FORM A RETENTION SUB-COMMITTEE

Share the workload!



### **REMIND MEMBERS WHY**

#### **RETENTION CALLING CAMPAIGNS!!**

- Focus on 90-180 days past due <u>first</u>
- Split up the list
- Call or email each member
- Use Weebly template scripts/emails
- Be prepared:
  - Know benefits of ASHRAE, latest advancements, upcoming local events, etc.
  - Instructions for helping members renew
  - Offer to email link to renew

#### **TRACK YOUR SUCCESS!**

### **ENGAGE MEMBERS**

#### **RETENTION BEGINS THE MOMENT A NEW MEMBER JOINS!!**



- Work with CTTC to ensure chapter events engage all members
- Invite members to chapter board meetings
- Know your members and recognize them i.e. Congratulate new PE/PEngs
- Support engagement of YEA and Student members
- Ask for feedback!

**COMMON OBJECTIONS** 

### WHY DO MEMBERS ALLOW THEIR MEMBERSHIP TO LAPSE?

### **OVERCOMING OBJECTIONS**

**"I FORGOT"** 

#### "I NEVER GOT A REMINDER"

#### **SOLUTION:**

- Provide them the opportunity to renew straight away
- Walk them through online renewal
- Email the link to renew:

https://www.ashrae.org/ashrae-membership/renew

Remind them to update their bio

### **OVERCOMING OBJECTIONS**

"I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR ASHRAE..."

#### **SOLUTION:**

- Wealth of opportunities to get involved, but the level of involvement is up to the member
- Technical standards, guidelines and seminars offered by ASHRAE help take the guesswork out of systems design, making engineers more efficient
  - > SO, they can spend more time doing what is important to them!

### **OVERCOMING OBJECTIONS**

"I LOST MY JOB BECAUSE OF COVID-19"

#### SOLUTION:

- Explain the ASHRAE Society Hardship Clause
  - This applies to job loss as a direct result of COVID-19
  - Must apply directly to Society
  - If eligible, Society could waive or reduce dues

### REMEMBER YOUR RESOURCES

#### WEEBLY!!

- https://mptraining.weebly.com/
- Delinquent Member template email
- Cancelled Member template emails
- Calling Campaign guides
- Retention presentations and ideas
- Principals Night Kit
- MP Retention Challenge



# QUESTIONS?