The Blueline

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Have you taken care of Yourself?

On August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed the ‘Organic Act’ that established the National Park Services, the fundamental purpose of which was ‘to conserve the scenery and the natural and historical objects and wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as well leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations. Together the National Park Service’s 410 parks contains 247 species of threatened or endangered plants and animals.

Similarly, in healthcare Facilities Management business, our actions have a long lasting effect. What we did yesterday and going to do today creates (or impairs) a healing environment of care for our patients. No doubt parameters are set by varying codes, standards, and employer to work within boundaries. While taking care of grounds and buildings, have you taken care of yourself? It is equally important to think about your wellbeing and your own professional growth. The knowledge you acquire, the experience you gain, and finally what you implement is making a difference in someone else’s life as well as yours.

For your own benefit you might want to think like a strategic thinker. For an emerging leader common differentiator are: Aspirations (What do you want to achieve), Capabilities (know what are your strengths and weaknesses), Trends (How is the competitive environment), Insights (what is the data telling you), Options (what are strategic choices), Navigation (How do you make adjustment with changes). Erosion or improvement doesn’t happen overnight. Consider implementing top initiatives:

- Networking
- Expand learning options (educational meetings, web, trade school, Vo-Tech, etc.)
- Stay current with changing codes, standards, industry practice
- Identify opportunities on a regular base
- Improve on marketing (resume, cover letter, communication)
- Ready to expand geographical search and willingness to relocate
- Involve in coaching and mentoring
- Update or Develop a succession planning
- Learn & practice like an emerging leader

I am always thinking about growth of a fellow member-YOU,

Warm Regards,

Rajendra. N. Shah, PE, MBA, CHC, BSME, CHFM, FASHE
President-HFMSNJ
A great description on the experience of homelessness from one of our street friends:
i want to again thank you 4 all your help, when i left you guys at 40th st. i felt like a million dollars, dressed to the tee, i think while i walked into time square i was head turning and saw ppl. looking back. amazing what a nice outfit can do. i went back to the battery, went up to the ferry station, went to the bathroom for a split minute and guess what the jacket and scarf dissapeared. talking about mad. i hate being homeless, it takes the grace of god that keeps me going, its cold, damp and painful, not just for me but others. i still have every thing else you blessed me with, they will have to hog tie me to get the backpack, enough of that mess, where you able to get a hold of sneakers for me, (size 11)? they really are needed, the ones i have are ready to explode. smelly, self conconsious. just another disability of living outdoors. not even the rats want to come by me, now you know its not good. then again maybe, i pray your all fine, God gave me a blessing, and it will not be forgotten.
In recent years, NFPA 80 annual inspections have become a hot topic among the healthcare facility arena. With CMS adopting the 2012 version of the Life Safety Code, annual inspections of Fire Rated Door assemblies became a requirement.

NFPA 80 5.2.4. requires the following items shall be verified, at minimum:

- No open holes or breaks exist in surfaces of either the door or frame.
- Glazing, vision light frames & glazing beads are intact and securely fastened in place, if so equipped.
- The door, frame, hinges, hardware, and noncombustible threshold are secured, aligned, and in working order with no visible signs of damage.
- No parts are missing or broken.
- Door clearances at the door edge of the door frame, on the pull side of the door, do not exceed clearances listed in 4.8.4 (the clearance under the bottom of the door shall be a maximum of 3/4”) and 6.3.1 (top & edges 1/8”).
- The self-closing device is operational; that is, the active door completely closes when operated from the full open position.
- If a coordinator is installed, the inactive leaf closes before the active leaf.
- Latching hardware operates and secure the door when it is in the closed position.
- Auxiliary hardware items that interfere or prohibit operation are not installed on the door or frame.
- No field modifications to the door assembly have been performed that void the label.
- Gasketing and edge seals, where required, are inspected to verify their presence and integrity.

NFPA 80 States, Inspections.

- Fire door assemblies shall be inspected and tested not less than annually, and a written record of the inspection shall be signed and kept for inspection by the AHJ.
- Along with the requirement of inspections, the code requires reports that contain specific information, as well as the inspector being trained as an inspector. Code require inspection and testing to be performed by a qualified person with knowledge and understanding of the operating components of the type of assembly subject to testing. “Qualified” person as “a person who by profession of a recognized degree, certificate, professional standings, or skills by knowledge, training, and experience (i.e. carpenter, lock smith).

Please Note: The above narration might have typing errors so refer to code books for accurate language.
CRystal Eagle Leadership Award Winner

The Crystal Eagle Leadership Award is presented annually to a member of the American Society for Healthcare Engineering whose contributions have affected the health care facility management profession and made a difference to the Society. Often referred to as "ASHE's lifetime achievement award," this award recognizes those who have been instrumental in the creation and optimization of healing environments.

RAJENDRA N. SHAH, PE, MBA, CHFM, CHC, FASHE
Corporate Project & Plant Manager
CarePoint Health
Bayonne, NJ

"I know Raj has a very high level of character... Raj is a self-motivated, enthusiastic employee, good to have on a team, and I am pleased with him and happy to support his role with ASHE."
— John Gilson
Executive Director – Plant Operations & Security
CarePoint Health

"Raj is well thought of by staff, physicians, administrators, and the community."
— Peter Daniels
Corporate Chief Operating Officer
CarePoint Health

The 2017 Crystal Eagle Leadership Award is presented to Rajendra Shah, Corporate Project & Plant Manager for Bayonne Medical Center in Bayonne, New Jersey.

Raj received his bachelor degree in Mechanical Engineering from Sardar Patel University in India, and his MBA from York College in Pennsylvania.

During his 36+ years of service, Raj not only served the health facilities he worked for, but also gave back to the entire field by lending expertise in publications and volunteering his time with organizations, such as ASHE, ASHRAE, and his local chapter, HFMSNJ.

Raj often uses a powerful quote in his interactions with colleagues and in teaching and consulting over the last three decades: "If it’s not in your heart, it’s not in your action."

Raj’s passion for the health care facility management field and tireless pursuit to give back and share his knowledge has made ASHE proud to name him the 2017 Crystal Eagle Leadership Award recipient.
MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

In Third Quarter, we welcomed new members:

1. Shawn Murphy, Lead Mechanic, RWJBH - Rahway

2. Anthony Garuccio, Facilities Manager-Construction, Centrastate Medical Center

3. Dawn Johnson, Preventive Maintenance Service Sales Representative, Tyco SimplexGrinnell / Johnson Controls International

4. Allen Roth, PE, President, Joseph B. Callaghan, Inc.,

5. Eddie Alonso, PE, Director, Whitman

6. John Beaupre, PE, Director, Whitman

7. John Decina, LEED AP, GACP, Program Director Green Path Corp

8. Joseph Keller, PE, Senior Design Engineer, Lockatong Engineering

9. Dharani Seenu Pillai, Graduate Research Assistant, NJIT

10. Patrick Dempsey, Chief Engineer, Saint Clare's Hospital Dover

11. Tyler Cichewicz, Sales Representative, Follett Ice

12. Steven Laudati, Senior Project Manager, Langan Engineering
AWARDS & NOMINATIONS

HFMSNJ received ASHE’s *Platinum Level of Affiliation again for year 2017*

HFMSNJ team attended the Leadership meeting and President Raj Shah accepted the award from ASHE President, Russ Harbaugh and Region Director Jeff Henne among peers.

**Recognized as the highest award level, Platinum-level** chapters are committed to their partnership with ASHE through their support of ASHE’s long-range plans and objectives. In consideration for achieving the Platinum award level, ASHE will provide:

1. A commemorative plaque in recognition of the chapter’s achievement.
2. A specially designed logo that promotes the chapter’s Platinum award status for official use on the chapter letterhead, the chapter website, or any chapter promotional materials.
3. Promotion in ASHE publications.
4. The chapter’s achievement will also be promoted throughout the ASHE Annual Conference, during the Chapter Leadership Forum, and on the ASHE website.
5. A maximum of four complimentary one-year waivers to take the CHFM exam; two CHFM waivers to take the CHFM exam and one CHC waiver to take the CHC exam; or two CHC waivers to take the CHC exam. (Distribution of waivers will be decided on an annual basis.)
6. Two complimentary waivers to attend the ASHE Annual Conference.
7. Four complimentary one-year ASHE memberships, which must be awarded to non-ASHE members within the local chapter area.
8. Two complimentary ASHE publications from a select list of titles.
9. Emblem for banner
Habitat for Humanity

We are going to be volunteering on Saturday, December 16, 2017 8:00 AM
100 Hawthorne Ave, Newark NJ 07112
*Please coordinate with Frank to get your name added to the volunteer list

Donations for the homeless are being collected:

Suitcases, hats, gloves, scarfs, sweaters, sweatshirts and all other "cold weather apparel". Please bring to the meeting; otherwise coordinate with Frank to drop off these much-needed items

Frank Keller, Carpet Etc:
frank_keller@carpetetcetera.com (973) 605-8181
Reconnect and start the holiday season with friends & family in a wonderful setting. Enjoy a fantastic holiday meal, open bar, live music and dancing.

RSVP BEFORE Nov. 27th
Members & guest - $75.00 per person (max. 4 tix.)
Non Members - $150.00 per person

RSVP AFTER Nov. 27th
Members & guest - $125.00 per person
Non Members - $175.00 per person

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:
• Diamond Level: $600 (6 Available)- Live Six Piece NYC Jazz Band
• Gold Level: $500 (6 Available)- Bar
• Silver Level: $375 (6 Available)- Cocktail Hour With H’ordervs
• Bronze Level: $250 (10 Available)- Wine Bottle Gifts

Sponsorships at $500 and $600 will receive (2) Complimentary Admission Tickets

SPONSORSHIPS INCLUDE:
• Large Reception Welcome Signage With Company Name And Sponsorship Level
• Announcement Of Individual Company Representatives And Recognition At The Awards Ceremony
• (2) Complimentary Admission Tickets At Diamond Or Gold Levels Only
• Individual Company Logo And Signage Recognition Next To Item Selected And Pocket For Business Cards
RECENT EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who joined us for this year’s Annual Golf Outing at Fox Hollow Golf Club in Branchburg, NJ
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OFFICERS, TRUSTEES & COMMITTEES

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Levels of Affiliation: Lyndsay Schnell, Richard D. Ciullo
Photographer: Peter H. Appelmann, Sr., Benett Rosen
Social Justice: Frank Keller
Website: Caroline Polhemus
Special Events: Janna Cohen

*With upcoming Nominations & Elections, the above mentioned will soon change...
Our membership consists of Healthcare Facility Administrators, Supervisors, Architects, Engineers and Consultants.
To join, please fill out an application:
http://www.hfmsnj.org/p/memberap.php

For additional information regarding membership, please contact:
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Thank You

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