

ASHRAE DAYTON NEWSLETTER

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Dayton Chapter

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ASHRAE Golf
Scramble



[ASHRAE Golf Scramble](#)

**THE ANNUAL
DAYTON ASHRAE
GOLF SCRAMBLE**

June 5, 2026
PipeStone Golf Club
Shotgun Start at 8:30 am

Drink Tickets Sponsored by Trane

Mulligans Sponsored by Point 2 Point Systems

Bloody Mary Bar and Lunch Sponsored by Solid Blend Technologies

Register at DaytonASHRAEgolf2026.eventbrite.com
EMAIL QUESTIONS TO bturner@ELITAIRE.COM

The poster features a background image of a golf course with a white Titleist golf ball on a green tee. The ball has "Titleist 2" written on it. The ASHRAE logo is in the top right corner. The Trane logo is a red circle with horizontal lines. The Point 2 Point Systems logo is red and black. The Solid Blend Technologies logo is blue and green.

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Letter from the President

Our spring momentum has carried strong entering June, driven by incredible member involvement. This month, we want to give a special shout-out to Jennifer Eller for adding two new chapter members to our roster, and to Jennifer Butsch for representing our chapter and advocating for our industry at Ohio's "Day on the Hill" in Columbus. Our Young Engineers in ASHRAE also enjoyed a fantastic YEA event at Pins in Dayton, with special thanks to Matthew Worsham, Brian Mackey, and McKenna Amerson for putting it all together. Looking ahead to our future leadership, officer elections are just around the corner, so keep a close eye on your inbox for the official email announcement, especially since we are thrilled to report that we now have a potential candidate lined up for the open Secretary position. Finally, we are exploring the exciting possibility of launching a chapter podcast, so stay tuned for more details on that front. Thank you all for your continued support and dedication to the Dayton ASHRAE chapter; it has been an absolute pleasure serving as your president, and I look forward to seeing everyone out on the golf course on June 5th.

Warm Regards,

ASHRAE Chapter President



Upcoming Meetings

June 5

Annual Golf Scramble
8:30am, Pipestone Golf

June 24

BOG Meeting
8-9am, Hybrid

Visit our website to keep up
to date on events!

<https://daytonashrae.org/>

2025-2026 Officers

President: *Kevin Sturm*

President Elect: *Bryan Kinch*

Treasurer: *Ryan Schuessler*

Secretary: *Logan Delk*

Committee Chairs

Student Activities/Scholarship:

Dr. Haithem Murgham (SCC) &

Dr. Andrew Chiasson (UD)

RP: *Brian Turner (ElitAire)*

YEA: *Matthew Worsham (City of Dayton) &*

Brian Mackey (Rieck)

Government Affairs: *Jennifer Butsch (Copeland)*

History: *Bryan Schenck (Waibel)*

Membership Promotion: *Jennifer Eller (HEAPY)*

CTTC: *Sara Sowers (MSD)*

Website: *Nathan Lammers (Waibel)*

Newsletter: *McKenna Amerson (Waibel)*

Refrigeration: *Daniel Faxon (Copeland)*

At Large: *Lorraine Kapka (SCC), Matt Dill (Emerson Swan)*

Rick Pavlak (Retired - Former HEAPY President)

Membership Promotion

The Dayton Chapter is happy to welcome its newest members. Please give them a warm welcome!

June

Ruben Zelina

Kevin Cameron

Do you know a colleague that would benefit from joining ASHRAE?

You can go to <https://connectacolleague.ashrae.org> and quickly sign up for ASHRAE to send an email to ask them to sign up on your behalf.

Membership Recognition

We would like to recognize the following member(s) who have been with ASHRAE for the following years! Thank you for all your contributions to the field!

40th

Lorraine Kapka
Ken Wehrkamp

1st

Steven Sussman
Jacob Sevitz
Zachary Murphy

Please don't forget to make sure your email is up to date.

You can update it on ASHRAE.org website and with your local chapter so you do not miss out on any news or upcoming events! If you know someone that is not receiving the monthly newsletter, make sure to suggest them to check their email with both sites mentioned. **THANK YOU! Jennifer Eller at jmeller@heapy.com.**

Membership Application Here


ASHRAE News

2026 ASHRAE ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JUNE 27- JULY 1, 2026 | AUSTIN, TX

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WOMEN
IN ENGINEERING DAY
JUNE 23

Gov't Affairs



Ohio Day on the Hill

On May 13th, we participated in ASHRAE's Ohio Day on the Hill (DOTH), meeting with approximately 20 legislative offices to discuss ASHRAE's role and technical expertise related to the built environment. The meetings provided an important opportunity to educate policymakers on ASHRAE's leadership in energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality, building decarbonization, refrigeration, and resilient building design.

One of the strongest areas of interest during our discussions was the rapid growth of data centers and the associated impacts on energy infrastructure, cooling demand, and grid reliability. ASHRAE shared its expertise in data center design, thermal management, and standards development, highlighting the organization's ability to support policymakers as they address the evolving needs of this critical sector.

Notably, while we were meeting at the Statehouse, Ohio announced the formation of a joint data center committee, underscoring the timeliness and relevance of these conversations. The announcement reinforced the growing recognition among policymakers that technical guidance and industry expertise will be essential as states navigate the economic development opportunities and infrastructure challenges associated with expanding data center investment.

ASHRAE appreciates the opportunity to engage directly with legislators and looks forward to continuing to serve as a trusted technical resource on issues affecting the built environment and emerging technologies.

Gov't Affairs

EPA Finalizes Revisions to the Technology Transitions Rule

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) finalized revisions to its Technology Transitions Rule under the American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) Act, with the final rule published May 26th in the Federal Register. The rule modifies compliance timelines and refrigerant restrictions for several refrigeration and industrial applications, including supermarkets, cold storage facilities, , and remote condensing unit applications. The revision also allows for the indefinite sell-through and installation of Residential and Light Commercial Air Conditioning and Heat Pump systems manufactured prior to January 1, 2025.

EPA stated the revisions are intended to provide additional compliance flexibility, reduce stranded equipment costs, and address concerns regarding technology readiness and operational challenges in some sectors. The agency estimates the revisions could reduce industry compliance costs by nearly \$1 billion over the coming years.

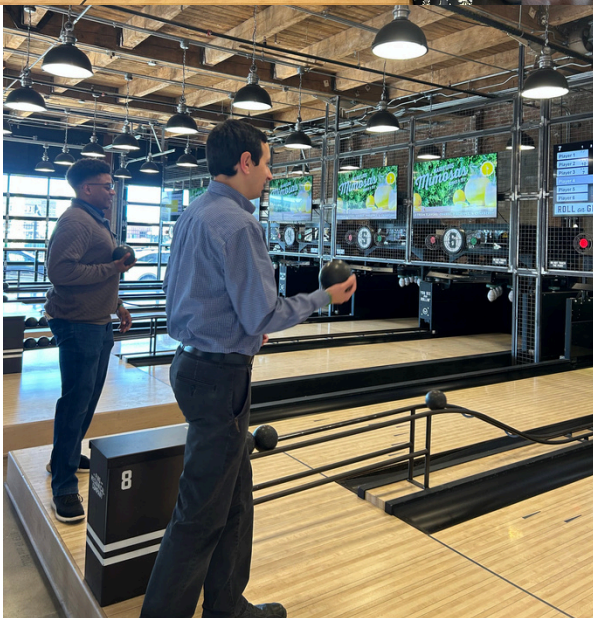
At the same time, EPA's analysis acknowledges the final rule will increase demand for HFC refrigerants during the phasedown period. The agency projects additional HFC demand beginning in 2027, with impacts continuing into the next decade. EPA also notes that increased demand could tighten available HFC supply, possibly exceeding allocation levels around 2029 if no additional market adjustments occur, and contribute to higher refrigerant prices for downstream users.

Fact Sheet Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons

Interested in joining the 2026-2027 Dayton ASHRAE board?

Open SECRETARY position
on upcoming ballot!


Ballot to be distributed via email this month.



**DAYTON YEA
Bowling Social**

Faces of Dayton ASHRAE Kevin Sturm



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- 1. What year(s) did you serve as President of the Dayton ASHRAE Chapter?** 2024-2026.
 - 2. What is your current position and company?** Senior Sales Engineer at Uptime Solutions.
 - 3. How has the HVAC&R industry changed since your presidency?** AI liquid cooling is a huge change. There are now many companies involved with this technology and so many opportunities in a whole new market.
 - 4. How did serving as ASHRAE president influence your leadership skills and professional development?** Trying new things will boost your confidence. I enjoy doing new things and I've learned when you step into an area that you don't know, you must learn quickly. ASHRAE brings together a highly intelligent and accomplished group of individuals, and it's truly an honor to collaborate with such talented people in a setting that's different from a typical business setting. Through this experience, you discover more about yourself every day, and being part of Dayton ASHRAE has helped me grow.
 - 5. Do you have a favorite memory from your time on the board?** All great memories! I've enjoyed all the meetings, but especially enjoyed the 75th anniversary celebrations... the discussion panel at Carillon Park, the Dayton Dragons game, etc. It was fun to be president during this time.
 - 6. If you weren't in the HVAC&R industry, what career might you have pursued?** I spent many years in the pump industry. I also worked in Texas as an operations manager in the subsea drilling space. If I hadn't moved back to Ohio, I probably would've stayed in the subsea wellhead business.