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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kasey Abbott

Let's do lunch at the Westward Ho on Wednesday December 5.

Lunch buffet will be served starting at 11:30 AM, with the program running from 12 to 1 PM. We have a very interesting program from Dr. Norman Bliss, Principal Scientist at EROS:

Climate Change as the Defining Issue of our Economic and Social Futures

Concerns about climate change are impacting ASHRAE both at a society and local level:

- ASHRAE recently launched a new magazine dedicated to high-performing buildings.
- ASHRAE's mission statement now reads, "To advance the arts and sciences of heating, ventilating, air conditioning and refrigerating to serve humanity and **promote a sustainable world**".
- SD Public Utilities Commission requested, and the BOG accepted, that the SD Chapter of ASHRAE become a supporter of their Energy Smart Program.
- The SD Chapter of ASHRAE is on record of supporting potential efforts to adopt an energy code for the state of South Dakota.

I urge all of you to attend the meeting as it is a great opportunity to learn more about climate change, an issue that is having a major impact on our industry, and more importantly, in my opinion, will be the defining issue of our economic and social future.

I would like to take a moment to recognize two individuals. Congratulations to Dan Woldt who received our South Dakota Chapter's "Lifetime Achievement" award. Dan has been a great supporter of ASHRAE and probably has attended more ASHRAE CRCs than anyone else in the chapter! I would also like to thank Bill Coad for helping us raise about \$1000 for ASHRAE research. Bill's technical seminar and his program talk can be accessed at: <http://www.sdashrae.org/links.htm>

One last reminder to **please RSVP** for the December 5th lunch meeting to jill.beatty@ddcontrol.com by Friday. Or call her at 575.3739 if that is more convenient.

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We are excited to have Dr. Norman Bliss speaking at this month's ASHRAE meeting. Dr. Bliss will be speaking on "***Climate Change as the Defining Issue of our Economic and Social Futures***".

Dr. Bliss is a Principal Scientist with Science Applications International Corp (SAIC), a contractor to the United States Geological Survey (USGS) at EROS in Sioux Falls. He is involved with carbon cycle research with one of the studies involving the release of carbon from thawing permafrost soils in the Arctic.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

BS in Forestry, Univ. of California, Berkeley

MS in Forestry, Univ. of Washington, Seattle

PhD in City and Regional Planning, Univ. of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia

Professor at Univ. of Wisconsin-River Falls

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SD ASHRAE LOSES ONE OF ITS OWN

BOB HOWE

Sioux Falls - Robert "Bob" C. Howe, age 85, passed away at Sanford USD Medical Center on Thursday, November 22, 2007. Bob was born on March 12, 1922 to Lawrence and Rose (Grams) Howe in Sioux Falls, SD. He graduated from Washington High School in 1940. On October 17, 1942, he was drafted into the U.S. Army. He served his country until he was honorably discharged as a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. Bob was united in marriage to Barbara "Pat" Welbon on September 5, 1942 in Sioux Falls, SD.

Bob started working with his father at Howe Heating and Plumbing in 1945 and took over the business in 1953. He retired in 1983, after which his sons took over the family business. Bob was very proud that the 4th generation of family is now in the business. After retirement, Bob and Pat spent several winters in Arizona. Bob enjoyed spending time with his family and friends at Lake Madison.

Bob was a member of the First United Methodist Church, past president and member of the Downtown Rotary, past member of Elks, member of the American Legion, past president and member of the Lake Madison Development Association, past chairman of Sioux Valley Hospital and board member of the Sioux Valley Foundation, past president of the South Dakota Plumbing and Heating Association and also a past president of the American Society of Heating, Refrigerator and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). He also served on the Board of Directors of Ramkota Inn and Kelley Inns.

Grateful for sharing Bob's life are his two sons, Larry W. (Diane) Howe of Canton, SD and Ronald R. (special friend, Roxy Swenson) of Wentworth, SD; five grandchildren, Justin W. (Shanna) Howe of Harrisburg, SD, Nichol L. (Warren) Terveer of Brandon, SD, Desiree A. (Lucas) Dahl of Madison, SD, Thaddeus P. Stofferahn of Hartford, SD and Joshua R. (Amber) Howe of Sioux Falls, SD; his great-grandchildren who lovingly called him "Great-Grandpa M & M", Lake, Aspen, Aftyn, Nolan, Zander and two more expected in early 2008; and several nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his wife, Pat on May 1, 2007. Also preceding him in death were his parents; one brother, Lauren Howe; and one sister, Darlene Olsen.

Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 26th, with the Howe Family present to greet friends from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., at Miller Funeral Home, 13th and Main Ave. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday at First United Methodist Church, with interment at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to South Dakota Achieve or Sioux Falls YMCA.

For obituary and online registry, please visit www.millerfh.com.