Gearing Up for Summer

By the time this issue reaches you, RSES will officially be nestled into its new Headquarters location in Rolling Meadows, IL. I mention this because you will start to notice address changes listed throughout some of the columns and departments listed herein. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our new address, do not hesitate to contact us!

Next on the agenda are a few requests to all of our readers. We are looking for more technical questions for our MSAC and Technical Review Committee Members to answer for the respective monthly MSAC Hotline column and Nuts ’n Bolts section of our eNewsletter Elements. If you want to see your question published in either of these resources, be sure to send it to either msac@rses.org or nutsandboltsadvice@rses.org.

Similarly, we are in the midst of preparing our 2013 Editorial Calendar, and I would like any input you have to offer. If there are any topics or issues that you have been overhearing or experiencing while in the field, it is likely they deserve some ink in RSES Journal—please send them to me.

Also mentioned last month, but worth the reminder, is the fact that the awards nomination deadline is looming for the Annual RSES Awards distributed at the Annual Conference. All nominations must be postmarked no later than midnight June 30! If you know of an individual or an organization deserving of one of the awards, submit an application. A list of awards and the respective nomination forms are available at www.rses.org/conference/rsesawards.aspx.

As we get closer to the Annual Conference, know that we will begin reporting on educational sessions being scheduled in the RSES News section of the magazine. The day-by-day schedule also will begin to be printed in the August, September and October issues. The website will feature the latest as well, so be sure to check regularly.

This month, the 2012 SkillsUSA Championships will be taking place during the 48th Annual National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City, MO, June 21–27. In addition to providing prizes for the HVACR contestants, RSES will have a heavy presence at the event in the form of both RSES Headquarters Staff and Members judging parts of the competition. If you are an RSES Member and you regularly attend the National SkillsUSA competition, please reach out to me to let me know about your experiences participating in the event. We would like to cover this information in a future issue of the magazine. Check out the preview in this month’s issue on pg. 10.

After hearing from several of you, it appears the industry is expecting a cooling season as busy as, if not busier than, last year. Make sure you check out the annual tools and test instruments product lineup on pg. 14 and see some of the latest gadgets available that could help to make your job easier.

No matter how busy you get this summer, be sure to keep safety top of mind. Safety should trump speed every time! Here’s to a great season!

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