heating up

Fall=Education + Training

If the extreme summer temps have any bearing on what winter will bring, than we are in for some long months ahead. Of course, an extreme winter could mean another very busy, productive and money-making season for you. Depending of course on which source you believe—for every report I read predicting a severe winter, I read another predicting a mild one—the best plan of action for either case is preparation. Have your preventive maintenance plans updated, your soft skills polished and shaped, and of course, be sure your safety and troubleshooting practices are refreshed—perhaps attending an RSES Chapter Meeting, Seminar or Conference can help.

Be sure to read RSES News (pg. 36) this month to learn more about the educational opportunities that are taking place at the Regional and Chapter levels. The Illinois State Association will be holding its Annual Conference Sept. 21–22 at Elgin Community College in Elgin, IL; the Michigan State Association will be holding its Annual Conference on Oct. 6 in Frankenmuth, MI; and the Central Arizona Chapter also will be hosting a heat-pump seminar/workshop on Oct. 6 in Phoenix, AZ. In addition to educational sessions, testing opportunities are available to attendees. Contact information for all of these events is available in RSES News.

If your Chapter or Regional Association is sponsoring a one- (or more) day seminar or holding an Annual Conference and you would like it published in RSES Journal, be sure to send it to Anne Sedjo, Associate Editor, at asedjo@rses.org. We can’t run it if we don’t receive information about it, so submit details as soon as you can! Know that we do not publish monthly Chapter meetings due to a lack of space, but can assist you in getting them on our online Web calendar. Contact Headquarters for more information.

Finally, I want to call attention to the four-page spread (pgs. 28–31) devoted to the RSES 75th Annual Conference and Technology Expo, which is being held in conjunction with the 23rd Annual RSES Mid-Southeast Regional Association Conference, all taking place Nov. 14–17 in Isle of Palm, SC. In addition to another amazing lineup of programs and technical sessions available, several new additions have been added to the schedule, including a pre-show, two-day RSES Certified Trainer program, which certifies industry trainers/instructors as premier instructional experts. The Mid-Southeast Regional Association has also invited attendees to participate in their annual soldering contest. Several new activities (bus tour of Charleston and a dinner cruise) and annual events (industry and spouse tours) are also available this year.

The complete conference lineup will be made available at www.rses.org/conference.aspx. Be sure to check back often for updates! And know that a majority of the educational portion of the conference is NATE recognized for 16 CEHs! So if you’re looking to polish up on your HVAC servicing/installing/maintaining skills, check out all that RSES has to offer! 

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