As fall begins, it is time to start thinking about the future. Typically, around this time of year, the industry is in prep mode getting ready for convention season to start and diverting both funds and manpower toward that goal. But, to the surprise of no one, that isn't really happening any time soon.

That's not to say there won't be shows and conventions to attend, those haven't stopped, but how we attend them is going to change forever. As we enter 2021, it will be interesting to see which ones move forward as planned and which decide to go fully digital.

Thankfully, we live in a digital age where, while things may be strained, it is still possible to continue working as before under new conditions. For instance, the recently announced HVAC Excellence show (which RSES will be a part of) is taking their format entirely online. By adapting, they are allowing attendees to customize their experience while still fulfilling the needs of the HVAC community.

This goes beyond just trade shows. As the pandemic waxes and wanes, how people continue to learn is going to have to adapt as well. As we enter 2021, it will be interesting to see which ones move forward as planned and which decide to go fully digital.

Moving Forward Into a New Era

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Finally, one jack, dead short. When the plug-in for the thermostat wiring was installed, the breaker would trip. Again, back to process of elimination, since we have put a target on the thermostat wiring, that's where our focus now lies.

I removed each wire one by one and applied power each time until boom, the "R" wire was the culprit. I traced the wiring out on the roof and found that the thermostat insulation had broken and the "R" wire was rubbing on the unit base and causing a dead short.

The wiring was temporarily repaired and the unit is now running. A new board will be quoted out to the customer due to the corrosion and new thermostat wire as well. Happy HVACing!