



KHEA Newsletter

September 2024

Letter from the President

As I conclude my term as your KHEA president, I want to express my sincere gratitude to all of you for your continued support of KHEA. Serving in this role has been both humbling and rewarding. Our members have shown tremendous enthusiasm in driving the growth of our association and profession. I leave you in the capable hands of our President-Elect, Greg Freelove.

Shane Meier and I had the honor of representing KHEA at the ASHE conference, where we proudly maintained our Platinum Membership. This achievement is thanks, in part, to our ongoing commitment to providing educational opportunities for our members, as well as our dedication to meeting the rigorous requirements set by ASHE, which include:

- Offering 24 contact hours of annual chapter education
- Leadership participation in the ASHE Chapter Leadership Forum
- Advocacy liaison
- Maintaining a chapter website with an ASHE URL
- Effective communication
- Operating budget and annual planning

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time or resources to help our organization grow. We've held steady with 103 members (slightly down from 110). Some of our accomplishments this year include launching a new service partner sponsorship package, unveiling a new website, introducing online registration and communication tools, and developing a new scholarship program.

We look forward to welcoming you to Manhattan this October. Please see the links below for registration and additional fall information. We have an exciting lineup of topics, including:

- ASHE Advocacy Update
- Unlocking Cyber Threats
- AI and IoT-Powered Buildings
- Facility Master Planning
- NFPA 99 Medical Gas
- Commissioning
- Healthcare Water Quality (ST-108)
- Refrigerant Changes
- The Climate/Healthcare Initiative
- ASHE Conference Recap

Finally, please consider applying for the KHEA Educational Scholarship. The link is also provided below. These \$500 scholarships are available to any family member of a current KHEA member.

Regards,

Justin Cerre CHFM, PMP, SFP

NEW Website Update

As we continue to utilize the new website, www.kheaks.com, please make sure to add @kheaks.com to your safe senders list. We are finding quite a few messages going into spam folders.

Fall Conference

The KHEA Fall Conference will be Oct. 1-3, 2024 in Manhattan at the Hilton Garden Inn, Manhattan.

Registration for the conference is now open. You can view more information on the website [here](#).

The Golf Tournament will be on Oct. 1 at Colbert Hills. Registration for golf is separate from the educational sessions. Please reach out to Lance Smith if you are interested in golf – lance.smith@haysmed.com. Registration for golf is online [here](#).

For vendor opportunities, online registration is open [here](#).

Educational Scholarships

KHEA supports those furthering their education. Two \$500 scholarships for members and immediate family of members will be awarded in the Fall of 2024. These can be used by you to attend a training session or national conference, your child or a grandchild to attend a college. Financial need, scholastic status, and degree major are NOT factors in the selection process.

The application is available [online](#) and needs to be returned by Sept. 27, 2024.

Thank You Star Vendors

- Apex Medical Gas Systems, Inc.
- BHC
- Central Mechanical Construction Company
- DCS Services
- ECC
- HFG Architecture
- Hajoca
- INA Alert, Inc.
- Kruse Corporation
- MTA
- Murray Company
- Roofmasters Roofing & Sheet Metal Company Inc.

For more information on vendor opportunities, contact Shane Meier at shane.meier@mynmchealth.org or Lance Smith at lance.smith@haysmed.com.

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