

Please Update Your Roster Information

For those of you who were involved in chapter operations prior to around 2013 or so, you were all too familiar with the annual process (absolute drudgery) of having to update the roster. Prior to personal computers, the process would start in the summer with a written request mailed to every member. The attached image shows a 1/3rd sheet of paper stapled to the June, 1978 newsletter, as an example. A member of the Roster Committee would type up the request then affix it to each newsletter (well over three hundred produced every month) and mail it out in via the US Postal Service. The meeting minutes from the summer of 1978 recorded that they received 185 responses to the mailer. Some poor volunteer chapter member had to type that request on a typewriter three times on a single sheet of paper, run over 100 copies (xeroxes as they were commonly referred to back then), slice the copies into thirds, then hand staple the sheets to the hundreds of newsletters received from the publisher that month. The newsletter committee would then go through their normal process of folding and mailing the newsletters (that committee's past drudgery can be part of another future article). Then think of all the effort involved by that volunteer chapter member in receiving all those responses and updating all that information. With the start of our official chapter roster in the 1950's, up until 2013, different processes and technologies were used to update and produce the roster. First it was typewriters, mimeographs and ditto machines. After that, typewriters and copier machines. Then personal computers, printers, and printer/copiers. In the 1990's, after personal computers were common on everyone's desk and the widespread adoption of email, an email would be sent out asking you to please update your roster information. What a time saver! At least this saved the time involved with typing, printing/coping, cutting, and stapling those requests to the newsletters and physically mailing the requests out. However, there was still the very time-consuming process of getting back the updates and updating the roster file on the computer. You'd be surprised to see how many changes there were each year with a member base this large. Even with all this effort, the roster still always had outdated information due to some people not responding after they've changed jobs, changed work phones, changed home phones, changed work address, changed home address, changed spouses, etc. Yes, all that personal information was published in our chapter roster! New member roster information was easy to get from their original ASHRAE application they turned in. But, along with all the changes listed above, we still had members who dropped out (stopped paying dues), moved away and passed away. All those roster entries had to be manually removed. In fact, after the personal computer became common, the Roster Committee's work became more time consuming with a chapter member doing all this updating to the file rather than just delivering all the updates to the roster publisher and paying them to make the changes. When I started on the Roster Committee in 2008, I distinctly remember the previous committee chair telling me how he never dreamed it would be this much work. Not what you want to hear after you've agreed to take over. It was that year that Grant Flurry and I proposed to the BOG that we hire a programmer to create an online roster database that members could log in to and update all their information themselves. That was \$500 well spent! The database could be printed if any member wanted a printed copy of the roster. That database lived until 2013 when it was discontinued and the chapter started using the StarChapter website service which includes its own online roster that automatically pulls member data from the ASHRAE Society data, which is updated by the members themselves. Today, we don't even have a roster committee anymore.

1978-79 ROSTER INFORMATION

Please complete this form and mail to: W. C. Ferguson, Hambric-Jones-Ferguson & Assoc., P. O. Box 18503, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118.

CHECK ONE:

- Same listing as last year.
- Was not in roster last year. (complete form below)
- Want to change listing. (complete form below)

Name _____	Spouse's Name _____
Company _____	Title _____
Company Address _____	Zip _____ Phone _____
Home Address _____	Zip _____ Phone _____



Our chapter has completed another big year. Under the able leadership of Past President Bob Vermillion we were able to once again demonstrate the pride and dedication of our members by winning the Region VIII Golden Gavel.

Your involvement in chapter activities is what makes our chapter strong. What you get out of ASHRAE and our chapter depends on what you put into it. Many members will be working hard throughout the summer to insure that next year will be another great year. If you have any suggestions on the types of subjects you would like to hear presented in the technical sessions and programs, I urge you to contact the respective committee chairman or myself.

I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer. Hope to see you at the golf tournament and barbecue, and don't forget to mark your calendar for next year's chapter meetings beginning October 9th.

Robert W. Allwein

beer and barbecue, June 12, Lincoln Park.

Golfers will begin early in a fast Pinehurst tournament. Carolyn Crawford, Golf Starter, will be assisted by Bud Saunkeah and John Nalley. Golfers must report to Starter's desk 30 minutes prior to tee-off time. No golfer is eligible in tournament play without barbecue ticket. Write your name on back of ticket to be eligible for door prizes at barbecue.

Golf trophies are being donated by Sheet Metal Industry Fund. Other golf prizes are: \$25 gift certificates donated by R.B. Akins, Bradford Industrial Supply, Governair Corp., Hambrick-Jones-Ferguson, and Meridian Sheet Metal; golf hats by Central Equipment Distributing Co., and Trane Co.; golf balls by Kerr-McGee Bldg. Corp., Leeway Motor Freight, State Distributors, A.M.E., and Brazeal & Dilbeck. Door prizes at barbecue donated by A.M.E., Bill Pitts Co., Honeywell, Process Equipment Co., Central Plbg. Supply, U.S. Supply, Waugh Brothers, and Norman Plumbing Supply.

Tickets available from Bill Flynn, Carolyn Crawford, Bob Allwein, Bill Ferguson, Lewis Wickline, or Bob Vermillion.

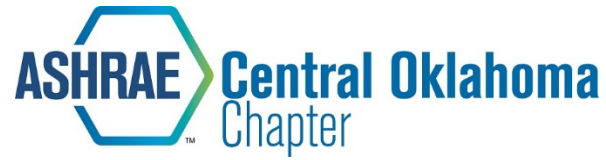
WHEN - Monday, June 12, 1978
 Golf beginning at 8:00 AM
 Beer/Cokes beginning at 5:30 PM
 Barbecue beginning at 6:30 PM

WHERE- Golf at Lincoln Park (West Course)
 Barbecue/Beer - Old Lincoln Park Clubhouse (South of Zoo)

COST - Barbecue/Beer - \$6.00 per ticket
 Golfers pay own green and cart fees.



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