

Executive Officers Recognize the Value of IHEA



The Industrial Heating Equipment Association represents major segments of the industrial heat-processing equipment industry. Established to meet the need for effective group action in promoting the interest of industrial furnace manufacturers, the organization currently includes designers, manufacturers, corporate end users, professional service and consulting members.

IHEA is thankful to have the leadership of dedicated members. Hear from IHEA's executive officers about the importance of the association's work and its value to the industry.

Michael Stowe, P.E., C.E.M., Advanced Energy; IHEA President

Stowe is an energy consultant and has been involved with IHEA for over a decade. He has been an invaluable member of IHEA's education committee and served as the chairman of the Infrared Division and the Induction Division.

Q: In your time on the IHEA board, what do you think is IHEA's most significant accomplishment?

A: Providing exceptional technical, economic and leadership information – as well as wonderful social networking opportunities – to our members, year after year.

Q: What is your vision for IHEA moving forward?

A: I see IHEA as the central clearinghouse for all things about industrial heating. IHEA should be the leader in communicating heating technology development, sharing the state of the heating industry, ensuring the safety of heating equipment and providing conferences and events for networking and education.

Q: What advice would you give non-members about joining IHEA?

A: IHEA covers the spectrum of heating in manufacturing processes. IHEA members are oven and furnace equipment OEMs, electrical utilities, combustion burner manufacturers,



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various magazine publishers and even energy consultants. The widely varied membership provides an excellent opportunity for networking. IHEA membership provides access to exceptional training opportunities, heating-related national standards updates, up-to-date economic news and thought leaders across the heating industry.

B.J. Bernard, Surface Combustion; IHEA Vice President



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As testimony of his dedication, Bernard has made his way through the IHEA officer rotation twice and continues to provide significant support to the association in countless ways. His guidance in the board room carries through to the overall industry.

Q: In your time on the IHEA board, what do you think is IHEA's most significant accomplishment?

A: One of the core values of IHEA is education. We provide high-quality training from industry experts at our Combustion, Induction and Safety Standards and Codes Seminars. We've also completely updated IHEA's online course, Fundamentals of Process Heating.

Q: What is your vision for IHEA moving forward?

A: I would like IHEA to continue to be a place where the industry gathers to push the industry forward by jointly improving technology and safety and providing training opportunities to our stakeholders.

Q: What advice would you give non-members about joining IHEA?

A: For non-members, the relationships forged at IHEA will serve you well. Knowing and having a relationship with vendors, competitors and customers gives you a broader view of the industry and gives insight into key issues that affect us all.

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