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PRESIDENT'S THOUGHTS

by Steve Jany
Illinois PHCC President.

Greeting friends,

We are entering the time of rolling speed bumps again. Please remind your technicians to watch for young people running into the streets, in the cross walks, or getting on or off the school bus and running across the street to their homes or friends. These little people are our future. Just beware as the younger ones will always do the unexpected.

Plumbing contractors, remember to renew your plumbing contractor's registration as soon as you get the notice. It is so easy to lay it aside then forget about it. You can renew by snail mail or on line at Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). Beware - no current contractor's license, you will be in violation of state statute.

The new Illinois Plumbing Code became effective April 24th and a printed version is now available from the Illinois PHCC. An order form is included in this issue of the magazine. The book includes the Plumbing License Law, Plumbers Licensing Code, Plumbing Code, and the Plumbing & Lawn Irrigation Contractor Registration Code. IDPH will not be printing Code books, but instead is making the Code available on their website. A quick way to get to the electronic version of the Code is by going to www. ilphcc.com and clicking on the Quick Link marked Illinois Plumbing Code.

Take time to read about the "Appy Hour" at convention in this issue. It is hard to keep up with changes in our fast paced world today. The use of some of these "apps" may make your decisions faster and more accurate. Keeping in touch with some of the tools available are mind boggling. Want to know where that plane is going over head? Yes there is an "app" that can tell you all the information about that plane. The list from convention has "apps" for professional and personal use.

Have you made plans for attending the PHCC National Convention yet? Time is fast approaching. Now is the time to register for this 132nd annual event which will be held in New Orleans at the Marriot Hotel on October 8th through the 10th. You can check out the venue and also register on the PHCC National website, www.phccweb.org, to see what is planned.

The quarterly board meeting of the Illinois PHCC will be held in Springfield on August 23rd. Your participation at these meetings is very important to the smooth running of our organization. It also keeps you informed of what is going on in the plumbing/piping industry. Please plan to attend, as at the convention meeting on the August 22nd we will determine convention plans for 2015.

Remember that IMSCA is selling raffle tickets for the PAC fund. Prizes are \$500.00 worth of America

President's Thoughts

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Airlines airfare and a \$500.00 Hilton Gift card. This is an election year and the PAC fund is very important to see that IMSCA can continue to fight for the construction industry. Issues are a constant battle in the construction industry and we are battling some very deep pockets of special interest groups. You can find the form in this issue of IMP. The drawing will be September 19th at the IMSCA meeting.

Here in the southern part of the state we are enjoying home grown tomatoes as well as other garden fare. Peaches are ripe here and Donna has made an excellent peach cobbler. It really didn't last long. The pecans are growing on our pecan trees. Blackberries are ripening. Berries and ice cream go really well together after supper.

Work is not overly plentiful, but we seem to be getting by at this end of the state. No large projects, so everyone has had to adjust to smaller projects.

If you like August weather, you should be happy as this year as we have 5 full weekends in August. This only happens every 823 years. Chinese call it "Silver Pockets Full".

President Jany





WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE?

Is there an Illinois Plumbing Code violation in the cover photo of this month's issue? Let us know what is wrong, or if there is no violation. Fax or email your answer to the Illinois PHCC at the address inside the front cover of the magazine.

Correct entries will be placed in a drawing to

receive an Illinois PHCC logo item. All monthly winners will have their names placed in a drawing for a free registration to the 2015 Illinois PHCC Convention.

Please contact the Illinois PHCC with any questions or comments regarding the contest.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 22, 2014

Illinois PHCC Convention Committee Meeting
President Abraham Lincoln Hotel
Springfield, IL

AUGUST 23, 2014

Illinois PHCC & Auxiliary Board Meetings President Abraham Lincoln Hotel Springfield, IL

SEPTEMBER 9-12, 2014

Cross Connection Control Class Rockford, IL

SEPTEMBER 26, 2014

Illinois PHCC 4 Hour CEU Class John A. Logan College Carterville, IL

SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

Illinois PHCC 4 Hour CEU Class Kaskaskia College Vandalia, IL

OCTOBER 7-10, 2014

Cross Connection Control Class Joliet, IL

OCTOBER 8-10, 2014

PHCC National Convention New Orleans, LA

NOVEMBER 7, 2014

Illinois PHCC 4 Hour CEU Class Rend Lake Resort Whittington, IL

NOVEMBER 8, 2014

Illinois PHCC 4 Hour CEU Class Kaskaskia College Vandalia, IL

NOVEMBER 12, 2014

Annual Backflow Symposium Doubletree Hotel Bloomington, IL

NOVEMBER 15, 2014

Illinois PHCC & Auxiliary Board Meetings
TBD

MARCH 20, 2015

Illinois PHCC Expo & Educational Day Drury Lane Conference Center Oakbrook Terrace, IL



In Memory

ROBERT G. CLEM, 91, of Springfield, died Saturday, July 5, 2014 at Memorial Medical Center. Bob was the husband of former Illinois PHCC Executive Director Dorothy Sharpe Clem and attended many PHCC functions over the years.

Bob served in the United States Air Force during WWII and achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He was also employed as a Civil Engineer with the State of Illinois. He was a lifetime member of Springfield Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge #158, pastpresident of the State of Illinois Reserve Officer's Association, and past-president of State of Illinois Chapter of the American Right of Way Association.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Clem of Springfield; two daughters, five grandchildren, and thirteen great grandchildren.

A Graveside Ceremony was held on July 14th at Camp Butler National Cemetery with military honors provided by Interveterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County and Department of Defense.

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<u>Date/Time</u>	Location	<u>Fee</u>		
□**September 26, 2014 – 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	John A. Logan College, Carterville, IL	\$50.00		
■**September 27, 2014 – 8:00 am-12:00 pm	Kaskaskia College, Vandalia, IL	\$50.00		
□**November 7, 2014 – 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Rend Lake Resort, Whittington, IL	\$50.00		
□**November 8, 2014 – 8:00 am-12:00 pm	Kaskaskia College, Vandalia, IL	\$50.00		
□**January 9, 2015 – 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	*Heartland College, Bloomington/Normal, IL	\$50.00		
□**February 20, 2015 – 1:00 pm-5:00pm	*Heartland College, Bloomington/Normal, IL	\$50.00		
**March 20, 2015 - 9:00 am -1:00pm	Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace, IL	\$30.00		
No Walkins - No Exceptions. All Registr	rations for the March 20 class must be received bef	ore March 1, 2015		
□**April 17, 2015 – 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	Rend Lake Resort, Whittington, IL	\$50.00		
□**April 24, 2015 - 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	*Heartland College, Bloomington/Normal, IL	\$50.00		
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"APPY" Hour

Attendees at the recent Illinois PHCC Convention shared their favorite mobile device applications during a session, called "Appy" Hour. See below for a list of mobile tools that people recommended trying for your business and personal use.

Business

Accubid Free app with software.

ASPE tables (free with membership)

Aver Viewer - Camera system for job sites. Free app with equipment.

Been Verified - Background check app. Use your iphone to run a check instantly. One free check each month, or you can subscribe so you don't have to wait.

Blue Beam - Autocad based; \$10.00 per app, per tablet; free viewer. Desktop version \$150.00

Contractor estimating and invoicing tool-by Joist - Creates professional estimates on the job site-fast.

Dragon Dictation - Speak and see your text messages or email messages.

Dropbox - Allows you to sync files across multiple computers and smartphones by saving them to a folder provided by Dropbox. The real power comes from its ability to share links with any files in your Dropbox folder to clients or colleagues across the country instantly.

Evernote- One of the best apps for taking notes and saving ideas when you are on the go. This free app allows you to save notes, audio, pictures and organizes it for easy retrieval. It syncs to all of your mobile devices and is free.

Fleetmatics GPS – There is a cost, but is free with subscription.

Flashlight – Turns your camera flash into a bright flashlight.

Flying ruler - A tape measure, ruler, protractor and goniometer (angle-measure).

ihandy level – Instant access to a computerized level.

Log Me In – Get secure anytime, anywhere access to your computers from your iPad or iPhone. Remotely access your PC's and Macs over WiFi/3G with LogMeIn for IOS on your iPad or iPhone. Works with an account subscription of LogMeIn Pro on your computer, which also includes access from your desktop and web browser, so that everything you need is always at your fingertips.

Noteability - Take notes & annotate PDFs with Dropbox sync. Useful if you need to take meeting notes with lots of text. Seems to be better suited for rich text usage, similar to a word processor application, but you can also add audio.

Ridgid digital bubble level - features three vials for plumb, level and 45° miter. The display also shows the exact measurements currently being reported by the sensors.

Scan to pdf 2 - Turn your device into a document scanner. Scan to PDF allows you to obtain images of documents from your camera and convert them into great looking multi-page pdf files. Scan in color or black and white. Once the PDF's are generated, you can export them via email or to any other app that accepts PDF's.

Scanner Pro – Makes pdf files.

Square- Square allows anyone with a smartphone or tablet to easily accept credit card payments. There are no sign-up or monthly fees – rather, the service takes a percentage of each transaction.

Dining

Happy Hours - Shows the latest food & drink specials near you.

Open Table – Open Table is an app that helps you make reservations at over 20,000 restaurants in the US, Mexico and Canada.

Yelp – Yelp is your local guide to finding just the right place to eat, shop, drink, relax and play.

Hobby

Audubon Guide (\$14.99) – Audubon mobile field guides. Four-in-one field guide to discover all the flora and fauna in your backyard. This guide includes subjects for Birds, Mammals, Trees and Wildflowers.

Bleacher Report –Get all your team's news and scores from across the web in one easy place with personalized streams that sends alerts as soon as a stories break. Be the first to know all of your team's news.

Distance Finder - Provides users the ability to find the distance between their location and an

intended target. Perfect for golfers, hunters, and anyone who needs to know a distance. Distances can be displayed in yards, meters, miles, and kilometers.

Flight radar 24 – Turn your iPhone or iPad into an air traffic radar and see planes around the world move in real time on a detailed map. Or point your device at a plane in the sky to identify it.

Golf Pad GPS – Golf pad is an advanced gold GPS rangefinder, scorecard and shot tracker.

Scanner 911 HD

Sky Guide – A star constellation guide has never been more beautiful and easy to use. Just hold it to the sky to automatically find stars, constellations, planets, satellites and more. It's stargazing fun for all ages and experience levels.

Star Walk - Star Walk will become your go-to interactive astro guide to the night sky, following your every movement in real-time and allowing you to explore over 200,000 celestial bodies with extensive information about stars and constellations that you find.

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Netflix- Get this free app as part of your Netflix membership and you can instantly watch thousands of TV episodes and movies on your iPhone or iPad.

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Shazam – Identification System – Shazam is the best way to identify music and TV. In seconds you'll know the name of any song, or more about what you're watching.

Spotify Music – Listen to music on your tablet or phone. Search for any track, artist or album and listen for free. Make and share playlists. Build your biggest, best ever music collection.

Vevo- offers the largest collection of premium official music videos. Start watching your favorite music videos and catch daily video premiers.

Photo

Clapmera- Clapmera allows you to take video, photo bursts and single pictures by clapping your hands. Configure Clapmera to give you enough time to pose before actually taking the picture. You can also configure the sensitivity of the microphone to allow you to take pictures by clapping or snapping your fingers.

Mosaic Cam – Inspired by the multi-lens camera of yesteryear. Mosaic Cam is a fun camera app that allows you to shoot and share mosaics made up of multiple pictures. It's perfect for everything from selfies to landscapes.

Pic Stitch- Quickly combines multiple photos into one beautiful framed picture.

Reading

Bible by Tecarta – A simple powerful design will allow you to easily read the Bible off-line (without an internet connection), navigate, search, highlight verses, bookmark, make margin notes, copy/paste or take notes. A number of versions are available.

Kindle – Gives users the ability to read Kindle books, newspapers, magazines, textbooks and PDF's on a beautiful easy-to-use interface.

Nook - Gives users the ability to read Nook books on your mobile device.

Real Estate

Realtor.com - Find homes for sale or apartments for rent. This app is the only app to get real estate listings sourced directly from over 800 MLS's. 90% of listings refreshed every 15 minutes.

Trulia- Makes searching for a home easy. With just a tap, see homes near you for sale or rent. Refine your search by location, home features and more.

Zillow- Find homes for sale or rent; check values on 100+ million homes in the US.

Shopping

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Key Ring Rewards Cards – Never carry plastic or paper loyalty, membership, library cards or coupons again. Add your cards: Loyalty, Gift, Library and membership cards are all welcome in key ring.

QR Reader - Scans QR codes, barcodes, words and even creates PDF files with the "Scan to PDF" feature.

RetailMeNot – Coupons – Search for deals and coupons from over 50,000 stores. This app makes it easy to save in store at the places you shop.

Social Networking

Facebook – See what friends are up to, share updates, photos and videos. Get notified when friends like or comment on your posts. Text, chat and have group conversations. For personal and business use.

Houzz - called the "wikipedia of interior and exterior design" by CNN. Houzz has the largest database of home design ideas on the net with over 2,000,000 high resolution photos. Browse photos by style, room, and location and save them to your virtual idea book.

Instagram - A simple way to capture and share the world's moments in photos and videos. Share your photos and videos with friends and followers on a photo feed, or send post directly to your friends.

LinkedIn – Build your personal brand, network to create meaningful business connections, and engage with professional content. A must use for anyone serious about serious networking sites.

Pinterest - A tool to help you discover and plan things you want to do. When you find something that looks interesting, just pin it! Pins are visual bookmarks that you organize and share the way you want.

Skype - Talk face to face with video calls.

Twitter - Let's you connect with people, express yourself, and discover more about all the things you love. Be the first to hear breaking news.

Vine – Video sharing –Create short, beautiful, loping videos in a simple and fun way for your friends and family to see.

Travel

Duolingo- Learn languages for free. Reading and speaking conversion to many different languages.

Gas Buddy- Helps you find the cheapest gas in your area.

Gate Guru- The only travel app that provides all of the flight and airport information you need to manage your entire day of travel.

iExit - Interstate exit guide – Tells you what's at upcoming exits when you are on the highway. It uses your device's location to determine where you are on the highway, and then displays upcoming exits in real time.

Google Maps - Find the best spots in town and the information you need to get there.

Translate Professional - Translate text between 50 languages in an instant.

Waze - GPS, Maps & Traffic- Join drivers in your area who share realtime traffic and road info to save you time, gas money and improve daily commuting.

Utility

Find My Phone- will help you locate your missing device on a map, remotely lock it, play a sound, display a message, or erase all the data on it.

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How to Handle the FOREIGN ACCENT

By Nancy Friedman, the Telephone Doctor

As a keynote speaker I address all types of individuals and multicultural audiences. It's more and more common to have a variety of those whose native language isn't our own in the audience. These accents can be both international and domestic. How many times have you talked with someone simply from a different region of the United States and not been able to understand them?

And our customer service programs are usable in most every country. People are people are people are people! The customer service issues, problems and concerns are the same in most countries. The United States does not have a monopoly on this issue.

Miscommunication is easy within any language and especially with those who have an accent where we have a bit of trouble understanding and they cannot understand us. Today, there's more business going global than ever before, so it's key to be ready to know how to deal with a foreign accent.

Oddly enough, sometimes it's us that has the foreign accent to others. To those from another country, we are the ones with the foreign accent. So these tips will go both ways and they're effective both on the phone and in person.

Taken from our popular DVD of the same name, How to Handle the Foreign Accent, here are the five key points to know to help you at your job (and your personal life as well) when working with someone

who is difficult to understand – accent or not

1. Don't Pretend to Understand. It is perfectly correct to gently explain you're having a little difficulty understanding them. Let's face it, if you have an accent, you know it. So it's not a surprise. One of the least effective things one could do when not understanding someone is to PRETEND to understand. Some folks nod or say, "OK" simply to move the conversation along. That's not doing anyone any good. It's perfectly OK to simply and gently say, "I apologize. I am having a little difficulty understanding you. If you could slow down just a little bit I'll be able to get it all correct for you."

That's the most important thing to the person with the accent; knowing you WANT to help and will get it right. They're aware you might be having difficulty understanding. And nodding yes or pretending you understand won't help the situation at all.

Your tone of voice is international: universal. So keep it at a light and slower pace and yes, smiling is also universal. They'll hear your smile in any language.

The phrase mentioned above is most effective and a key phrase to learn. It's accepted warmly. I've had many a person from another country come up

How to Handle the Foreign Accent

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and thank me for sharing this technique with the audience. It apologizes, acknowledges, empathizes and creates credibility. It shows you want to help.

- 2. Don't RUSH. Rushing threatens customers. Often there's a tendency to want to really rush someone who speaks with an accent. Not a good idea at all. Rushing threatens the best of us, let alone someone who is not able to express themselves in our own style. Slow down. Take your time. Not to excess of course, but if you find yourself constantly saying "uh huh," over and over in rapid succession, you're probably rushing the person.
- are NOT hard of hearing. Many a time we subconsciously speak louder or repeat the same word over and over, thinking that will help. It doesn't. People with accents normally hear very well. It's insulting to shout at them. Keep that smile on your face. It'll show you have the patience to help and keep trying to let them know 'you are there to help.' It might take time, but it will help.
- 4. Don't Be Rude. No one really thinks they're rude. But if you've ever said to that person: "Hey, I can't understand you" or even a short, terse, "HUH?" you're considered rude. Again, go back to #1 and explain you're having a little difficulty understanding them. They'll often repeat it for you. If the situation is hopeless and you simply aren't getting anywhere, don't be embarrassed or afraid to call for help. Perhaps another person can better understand what the customer is saying. But remember, being shuffled from one person to another is frustrating to anyone accent or not. It's as frustrating to them not being understood as it is to you.

job has you working with a large percentage of one accent, keep a few simple phrases in that language near you. Short phrases that would let the customer know you're trying. If you're in a Hispanic environment, phrases like, "Un momento por favor" (one moment please) will help. Even if we mispronounce it, they'll understand. Hopefully, there is someone in your area that is either fluent or well-spoken in one particular language that can help you formulate an effective job aid.

And remember what we said earlier, our smiles are universal. Use it early and often, no matter who you're talking to!

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News from the ILLINOIS SMALL Business Environmental Assistance Program

Technical Assistance Expertise Geared Up to Eliminate Waste

The Illinois Sustainable Technology Center (ISTC) now offers a Zero Waste Program, providing assistance to achieve waste minimization and diversion assistance. The Center's trained engineers, scientists, and partner organizations will assess waste-handling practices and provide innovative management and materials reuse planning.

The program team is available to conduct waste characterization assessments, develop or refine waste management programs, and help connect clients with other businesses and resources to achieve greater material recycling and beneficial use to help achieve the goal of zero waste to landfill. The program is available to a wide range of organizations including industrial and commercial business, manufacturers, food and beverage providers, solid waste managers, government entities, and others.

The team has received more than 100 inquiries since the program launch in early 2014, showing the widespread interest by business and communities in waste reduction, recycling and sustainable processes. To learn more about the Zero Waste

Program, visit http://www.istc.illinois.edu/tech/ zero waste.cfm.

The Illinois On-Site Safety and **Health Consultation Program**

The Illinois On-Site Safety and Health Consultation Program provides FREE and confidential safety and health advice to small and medium-sized businesses committed to improving workplace safety and health. The consultants are experts in identifying workplace hazards and making recommendations to eliminate these hazards with the goal of improving workplace safety and health.

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PAST PRESIDENTS AWARD **S**CHOLARSHIPS

The Illinois PHCC Past Presidents Club announced the following scholarship awards at the Illinois PHCC Convention in June.

Connor Atkisson of Marion was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship towards his education at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Connor will be majoring in Mechanical Engineering and Physics with a minor in Mathematics. He was sponsored by his father, Bill Atkisson, Jr.

Another \$1,000 award was given to **Colton Emmerich** of Highland Park. Sponsored by Dan

Mahoney, he will be attending the University of Illinois with a major in Engineering.

Kendall Lentine

of Lake in the Hills received a \$1,000 scholarship towards her education at Judson University. She will be taking courses in business, accounting, and architecture to enhance her career in the plumbing industry.

Congratulations and best wishes to Connor. Colton and Kendall as they move forward with their education.



AUXILIARY **A**WARDS SCHOLARSHIP

At the June 2014 Auxiliary Convention at the French Lick Resort Hotel, French Lick, Indiana, the Auxiliary announced this year's scholarship winners.

Emma Kerrigan of Evanston was awarded a \$750 scholarship. She was sponsored by Joan Flader. Emma is attending St.Olaf's College in Minnesota with a major in Environmental Studies with Management Studies Concentration, along with a possible double major in Spanish.

McKenzie Heise of Litchfield was sponsored by Barb Miller and received a \$1,000 scholarship. She

> is attending St. Louis University majoring in physical theraphy, with hopes to become a Pediatric Physical Therapist. McKenzie has started with the graduate program and will continue for the next 3 years to attain her goal.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Emma and McKenzie in their future endeavors.









PHCC FIGHTING CONTINUE FEDERAL TOILET RETROFIT GRANTS

PHCC and other plumbing- and waterrelated organizations sent a letter to the Senate leadership recently voicing strong opposition to an amendment recently passed by the House that would prohibit federal spending for the retrofit of high efficiency toilets.

"This amendment essentially eliminates an important incentive for water conservation programs that have proven results and that have benefited communities across our country," the letter said. The co-signers asked the Senate to oppose the amendment and ensure that related language will not be included in the Senate's

version of the Act.

The amendment (which was added to the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriation Act of 2015"), targets grants that are awarded to local utilities who use part of the funds to offer rebate programs for water conservation purposes – encouraging consumers to purchase and install high efficiency plumbing fixtures. In essence, the amendment prohibits any federal funds available by the Act to provide funding for high efficiency toilets. PHCC National will keep members informed of the status of the appropriation as the Senate begins debate.



FIRST FINAL FURNACE RULE MEETING SCHEDULED

PHCC is looking forward to participating in the first meeting of a U.S. Dept. of Energy rule making group to begin negotiating proposed regional federal standards for the energy efficiency requirements of residential and commercial appliances covered under the Final Furnace, Air Conditioner, and Heat Pump Rule. Chuck White, PHCC's Vice President of Technical & Code Services, will participate in Aug. 13-15 meetings in Washington, D.C., in this follow-up process to the Final Furnace, Air Conditioner, and Heat Pump Rule, a portion of which had been set aside as a result of litigation. The 21-person group is composed of DOE officials, manufacturers, environmental groups, energy providers, distributors and installation contractors.

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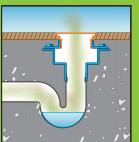
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