

“Dedicated to Improving Communication among ASHRAE’s standing Historical Committee, Regional and Chapter Historians”

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More on the ASHRAE Hall of Fame and the Pioneers of the Industry awards.

At the June meeting of the Historical Committee, Victor Goldschmidt, member of the Honors and Awards Committee, clarified the difference between the Hall of Fame award and the Pioneers of the Industry Award.

The Hall of Fame award is given to members of ASHRAE or its predecessor societies who have distinguished themselves in their careers as well as in their service to ASHRAE. The person nominated for the award must have been a member of ASHRAE or its predecessors. Thus the focus of the Hall of Fame award is on service to the Society as well as the industry.

The Pioneers of the Industry award is given to persons who have contributed significant advances in the art and science of HVAC&R. ASHRAE or predecessor society membership is not necessary to be considered for this award. The Pioneers of the Industry award is contribution to the HVAC&R industry focused. Since Society membership is not necessary, industry pioneers active before 1894 can be honored.

Further information and nomination forms can be seen at <https://www.ashrae.org/membership--conferences/honors--awards/ashrae-honors-and-awards-program>

ASHRAE will be celebrating its 125th anniversary in 2019.

Since 2019 is coming up fast, the Historical Committee established a sub-committee to begin work on ideas for the 125th anniversary. As projects develop, this newsletter will keep you informed. No doubt your input and participation will be needed.

ASHRAE Leadership Recall program updates.

Although most of the Leadership Recall interviews have been posted on the ASHRAE website, some postings are missing parts of the original interview and there are some interviews that have not been posted yet. All of the interviews are in the process of being transcribed which will help to identify the interviews that are incomplete. The transcription process will take some time to complete. The plan is to post the transcriptions, in a searchable format, with the interviews. Currently the only way to know what was discussed by those interviewed is to listen to the entire interview. The transcripts will allow anyone to view the interview in print so it can be scanned by a reader for content of interest. Also, since it will be searchable, specific content can be found. The idea is to make the interviews more useful to historians.

Leadership Recall, formerly named Leadership Recalled, was first proposed in the early 1980’s by Historical Committee member James Nauert. Since then, more than 80 distinguished industry and Society contributors have been interviewed, first using audio recording and later on audio-video. Many of the individuals, now deceased, discussed their experiences dating back to the 1920’s. The Leadership Recall program thus provides first hand information available nowhere else!

Consider attending the Historical Committee meeting on Sunday, at the New York meeting. Regional Historians are non-voting members of the committee. Chapter Historians are welcome and anyone else interested in History. Hope to see you there!

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