

INDUSTRIAL HEATING EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATION

IHEA announces 2023-2024 board of directors and officers



The 2023-24 IHEA Board of Directors: Back row, left to right; Michael Stowe, John Stanley, Doug Glenn, Jeff Rafter, Scott Bishop, Gary Berwick and Bob Fincken. Front row, left to right; Ben Gasbarre, Jason Safarz, Helen Tuttle, Brian Kelly, John Podach and Jeff Valuck. Not pictured: Alberto Cantu.

he Industrial Heating Equipment Association (IHEA) recently announced its 2023-2024 board of directors and executive officers. Taking over as president is Brian Kelly of Honeywell Thermal Solutions; vice-president is Jeff Rafter of Selas Heat Technology Co. LLC.; and treasurer is Gary Berwick of Dry Coolers, Inc. Jeff Valuck of Surface Combustion assumes the past-president position.

IHEA President Brian Kelly has been an active IHEA member for more than 20 years and has served as the Education Committee and Combustion Seminar chair for many of those years. When asked what goals he has for IHEA, Kelly said, "I plan to focus on further defining IHEA's sustainability/decarbonization vision and solidify a roadmap that puts IHEA in the forefront of emerging trends that are impacting our industry. In addition, I plan to push to finalize the Advanced Online Industrial Process Heating course to offer

more educational opportunities for people in the thermal processing industry."

IHEA also welcomes a new face to the board of directors, Helen Tuttle. Currently serving as vice president of finance, Tuttle has been with WS Thermal Process Technology Inc. since 2000.

WS Thermal Process Technology Inc. is the North American sales and service office for WS Warmeprozesstechnik GmbH, selling the WS line of high temperature, highly efficient, low emissions burner systems for industrial furnaces. Over the past several years, Tuttle has been involved with IHEA's Education Committee and said she looks forward to working more on knowledge base initiatives. She is a graduate of the University of Toledo with personal interests that include traveling with her husband and enjoying the outdoors. IHEA is happy to have Tuttle's involvement as the first woman to serve on

the IHEA board of directors.

To complete the slate of IHEA's board of directors for 2023-2024, the following members continue their service: Scott Bishop, Southern Company; Alberto Cantu, Nutec Bickley; Bob Fincken, Super Systems, Inc.; Ben Gasbarre, Gasbarre Thermal Processing Systems; Doug Glenn, Heat Treat Today; John Podach, Fostoria Infrared; Jason Safarz,



IHEA's newest board member, Helen Tuttle of WS Thermal Process Technology Inc.

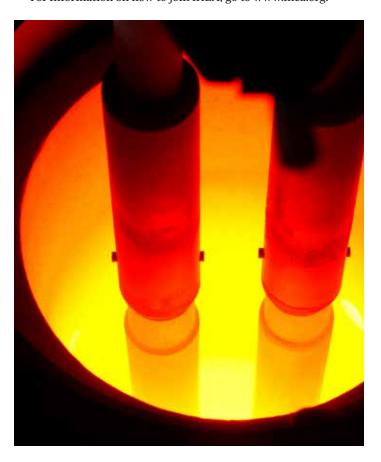
Karl Dungs, Inc.; John Stanley, Karl Dungs, Inc.; and Michael Stowe, Advanced Energy.

In addition, IHEA is equally pleased to note the dedication and service of all members who serve on IHEA committees and divisions. Special appreciation goes to our committee chairpersons: Sustainability Committee led by Jeff Rafter, Selas Heat Technology Co. LLC; Safety Standards and Codes Committee led by Jason Safarz, Karl Dungs, Inc.; Education Committee led by Brian Kelly, Honeywell Thermal Solutions; Marketing Communication & Membership Committee led by Erik Klingerman, Industrial Heating

magazine. The Infrared Division is chaired by Marty Sawyer, Trimac Industrial Systems; and the Induction Division is chaired by Michael Stowe, Advanced Energy.

Established in 1929 to meet the need for effective group action in promoting the interests of industrial furnace manufacturers, IHEA has expanded and currently includes designers and manufacturers of all types of industrial heat-processing equipment used for the melting, refining and heat processing of ferrous and nonferrous metals and certain nonmetallic materials and heat-treatment of products made from them.

For information on how to join IHEA, go to www.ihea.org.



IHEA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY 20

Sustainability & Decarbonization Webinar Series - DOE Tools and Programs for GHG Reduction

There are many options available to help determine carbon emissions for equipment, processes, sites, and organizations. This presentation will review some of these available tools and how to apply them to different situations.

AUGUST 21

Fundamentals of Industrial Process Heating

6 week online course | \$775 IHEA members / \$950 non-members

This course is designed to give the student a fundamental understanding of the mechanisms of heat transfer within an industrial furnace and the associated losses and the operation of a heating source either as fuel combustion or electricity.

AUGUST 24

Sustainability & Decarbonization Webinar Series - Ongoing Sustainability: Industry Best Practices

Carbon reduction is not a project, it is a process, and must be ongoing. Earlier sessions will help you determine your carbon footprint and understand ways to track and impact your carbon footprint. In this presentation, we will review methods and programs to ensure the continual improvement of your carbon reduction efforts.

OCTOBER 31

Safety Standards & Codes Seminar

Cincinnati, Ohio I \$800 IHEA members / \$975 non-members

This seminar is designed for individuals involved in the design, manufacture, service or operation of ovens, furnaces, kilns, dryers, thermal oxidizers and a wide range of industrial applications. It is intended to help the attendee become better acquainted with the newly updated NFPA 86 – Standard for Ovens & Furnaces.

OCTOBER 31

IHEA's Annual Combustion Seminar

Cincinnati, Ohio I \$800 IHEA members / \$975 non-members

Long the industry premier seminar for industrial process heating professionals, this two-day event offers attendees the chance to learn the latest in combustion technology and visit with industry suppliers during a tabletop exhibition the first day. The IHEA Combustion Seminar is designed for persons responsible for the operation, design, selection and/or maintenance of fuel-fired industrial process furnaces and ovens. Seminar speakers are industry leaders in the combustion industry. Presentations will be non-commercial and promote the technology overall, not a specific product or company.

For details on IHEA events, go to www.ihea.org/events

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