



# The MGPHO Minute

## Presidents Message

Sawasdeekhrap! Greetings from Thailand.

It seems like just a blink of an eye and here we are already in March. Things have been very busy in all aspects but also with MGPHO. As most of you have seen we have undergone a complete overhaul of the MGPHO Website. I appreciate all of the patience as this turned into something that was far more complicated than many of us had anticipated. But what is most important is we now have something that can be built on and grow with the organization. If you haven't been on the new site, be sure to check it out. (More on that later)

This last week and next week I have had the privilege to travel to Thailand and be involved in the medical gas installation for a new hospital. As I left the project site yesterday I started to reflect on the first week here. While there was a language barrier and I had to work with a translator at the end of the day it is still medical gas. These installers are still following NFPA99, they hold 6010 cards and have the same passion for doing the right thing that we see in the US and many other areas. While some of the methods of construction may vary, the end results and passion are still the same. What also stuck out to me was the great thirst for knowledge and information to improve their craft. The excitement as we completed our scope of work and all of them wanting to take a group picture to commemorate their success will forever stick with me. This same crew that had to work through learning and training with a translator accomplished their goal.

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## The Corky Bishop Scholarship Fund

The Corky Bishop Scholarship application is posted on the website or can be requested at [president@mhpho.org](mailto:president@mhpho.org).

Anyone who would like to make a contribution to the scholarship fund can follow the link to contribute on the MGPHO Homepage.

The applications are open for the 2026 scholarship.

The goal is to fund the conference registration and lodging cost of two first time attendees each year. Applications are due June 30th.

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*"A dream does not become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination, and hard work." - Colin Powell*

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MGPHO Welcomes New Members  
MGPHO would like to welcome the

following new members:

Doug Egner-Doug Egner Plumbing

Rob Brownell

Joshua Bennet

Jeff Jarvis

Christopher Manning - Sechrist

Yutao Ma

Chen Yung

Rui Kang

Johnny Ma

Maulik Patel

## 25th Annual MGPHO Educational Conference

The 25th Annual MGPHO Educational Conference will be held October 6-8, 2026 at The Paris in Las Vegas.

We are changing things up a little with schedule this year. All sessions will be Wednesday and Thursday. We have seen declining attendance the last day which makes it difficult to conduct our required business. By condensing into two days we are encouraging all attendees to stay for the duration of both days educational sessions. Tuesday the 6th will be the BOD Meeting and CMGV Testing for new applicants.

On Wednesday the 7th we will have a packed day of education concluding the day with the MGPHO Vendor Reception.

Thursday we will conduct our business meeting, hold elections and also have two more education sessions. The newly announced CRFA Exam will be held on Thursday afternoon.

**Conference registration is not yet open. We expect the link to be available in the spring.**

**Hotel reservation cut off date is September 12th. Reservation link here: <https://book.passkey.com/go/SPMGP6>**

Please remember that MGPHO is contracted to fill a set amount of hotel rooms. If we do not fill the rooms they are billed to the organization so it is very important to book through the link on the conference registration page if possible.

Follow MGPHO on LinkedIn!

[www.linkedin.com/in/mgpho](http://www.linkedin.com/in/mgpho)

## Presidents Message Continued...

This experience reminded me why I push so hard to provide education be it through MGPHO or my day to day work. Knowledge is power and sharing that knowledge is what makes the medical gas industry grow. I told the translator that one of my favorite things in working hand in hand with someone is seeing them light up in joy when that item “clicks”.

While I was here to give them practical medical gas knowledge, they also taught me things that I will never forget. While some of those memories and impact may not be medical gas related it still will help me grow. So, khopkun (thank you) to my new Thai friends.

I really feel that MGPHO as an organization has such an ability to share knowledge. We have so many talented and knowledgable members and I would not have grown in this industry as much as I have without many of you. As my goal for the remaining time on my term as President I really want to set the organization up for growth going forward so that the next generation(s) of medical gas professionals have the same support that I have had for the last 20 years as a member.

With that being said we need all of the support of our current and hopefully new members more now than ever. I mentioned the website earlier and that all of our dues invoices have been sent out. Unfortunately we are at an all time low of membership renewals. Typically at this point in the year we only have 20-30 members who have not completed their renewal. This year we only have about 50 people who have renewed and about 150 with open invoices. If you have not got onto the new site and renewed your membership, please do so as soon as you are able. Also remember that after March 31 you will no longer be listed on the site and if you hold a CMGV it will be expired and lapsed.

You will need to do a password reset for your first login. If you have any password issues please reach out to me directly and I can assist.

The next thing that I will ask is for help in getting new members into the organization. While we have consistently had 20-25 new members the last few years, our overall member count has only increased by about 10. With costs continue to increase to run the organization we have to overcome this by either raising dues or adding more members. Adding more members is the goal of the organization and is the mission of MGPHO for being that educational resource.

And one last request, as many of you know we have tried our best to keep the annual conferences consistent and as affordable as possible. As costs on that side have gone through the roof, we are finding that the registration fees alone no longer cover the costs from the facilities for the conference. This forces us to tap into dues and operational funds to make up the difference. While we have been able to maintain a breakeven event for 25 conferences, I am concerned how long we will be able to sustain that. So please, if you have any ideas or things that you would like to see different at the conference, reach out to me and let me know.

## Presidents Message Continued...

Now that the message had way more business stuff in it I want to once again thank all of you for the trust you have placed in letting me lead the organization. Before we know it we will all be together again in Las Vegas for another great event. Our agenda is getting close to being finalized with all of the speakers and sessions. We are looking at opening registration in early April and the hotel link is active and posted here in the newsletter.

I challenge all of you to get at least one new person to come to Las Vegas and see what we are all about. I also challenge all of you to get at least two new members to join the organization. The more that we can make our membership and conferences grow, the better education and resources we can provide. I look forward to continuing the work that we do as MGPHO and planning for October in Las Vegas.

Mathis Carlson-  
MGPHO President

## MGPHO Beginnings

### Compiled by Jim Lucas

I sat in our last MGPHO conference and it occurred to me that our MGPHO family is now comprised of a majority of younger members and fewer each year of the 'old guard' or founding parents of MGPHO. It made me wonder, "Do the younger members of our family know how and why our organization was created?" I decided to ask our founding parents to each send a paragraph or two describing their memories of our organizations humble beginnings. These are their paragraphs below. To be clear, I am NOT one of the founding parents of MGPHO. I'm just a guy who's retiring and wants to help communicate an important part of our family history. I'd like to thank each and every one of our founding parents for their paragraphs below but mostly for their leadership and selfless work in creating and maintaining our organization over the decades. This list of MGPHO parents needs to include Dave Mohile and Tom Evans who have passed on and are greatly missed. Our organization also owes a debt of deep gratitude to MGPHO parents Fred Evans, George Scott, Evan McAllister and Ann Furnier who I reached out to but did not submit a paragraph.

Jim Lucas

When I think back at the first meetings in Oklahoma City, I remember all of us getting together, everyone seated with their backs to the wall so nobody could stick a knife in their competitor's back. Sort of like Doc Holiday at the poker table. An odd mix of egos, talents, and experiences. We all had certain skill sets, but those skills were typically limited to just one of the many facets of the healthcare medical gas world. The eventual product borne in those rooms became MGPHO. Respiratory therapist, anesthesia machine techs, air compressor and vacuum pump experts, gas nerds, and testing & code gurus. People with specific knowledge and skill sets became friends, and the synergy produced from those relationships has been nothing short of miraculous. If you had questions regarding bulk oxygen you went to Bob or Keith. Questions on physical demands within the human body regarding medical gas, you went to George or Al. Questions on vacuum pumps, you sought advice from Stan or Myron. Testing or code questions Richard, or Dave. If I heard questions about altitude effects on compressors or vacuum pumps, I would chime in.

Relationship's developed, trust grew. If you question the value we viewed regarding the industry, look at those attending the next meeting. It's filled with the second generation of the charter members. When Pam is asked "what does your husband do?" she replies, "he sells air and passes gas". Forgive me if I don't apologize.... it's been a wonderful life!

Scott Jussel,  
CMGV 007

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# MGPHO Beginnings

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In 1996 I was contacted (as were a number of other companies) by Fred Evans who was looking to gather a few Certification (now known as Verification) Companies together and meet at his Oklahoma office to discuss the formation of a Certification Organization. At that time the concern was that some states were looking to train their AHJ's (Fire Marshal's, Dept of Health Inspectors, and contracted Mechanical and Plumbing Inspectors) to perform medical gas system certifications. Prior to Dec 1997, we had periodic conference calls before meeting in person.

In December 1997, thirty-eight individuals were invited to meet to discuss the merits of a professional organization with a common goal of establishing standards for materials, installation and testing to assure safety and reliability of medical gas and vacuum systems. Because of the positive interest generated, the group met again in May 1998 to formalize their plans for the organization. The group selected September 28, 1998 as the date, and Oklahoma City as the site of the first official meeting of what is now known as the Medical Gas Professional Healthcare Organization.

MGPHO was founded by a group of people that had two things in common. First, we were medical gas verifiers. Second, we shared a common belief that patient care was priority number one. This, alone, gave us more in common than anything that might try to pull us apart and that tradition remains a bed rock of faith today.

When you attend an annual MGPHO meeting, you see verifiers, design engineers, hospital facility staff, doctors, chemists, respiratory therapists, biomedical technicians, equipment manufacturers, gas manufacturers, novices to the medical gas industry, and people from a single-person company to Fortune 500 companies, ... talking and sharing war stories, enjoying the creative atmosphere that MGPHO has developed. When you walk into a MGPHO meeting, you don't see competitors, you see people interested in improving patient care, improving the industry, improving their knowledge, and improving their business. Taking advantage of the opportunity to talk with each other, our members here have experiences and perspectives that are invaluable. The MGPHO Educational seminars are the best in the world.

Over almost three decades ago, our charter described our mission to elevate the standards of safety, quality, integrity, and honor in our profession. Those are the ideals that set us apart and those are the ideals that bind us together. That mission describes our challenge today. "To assure safety and reliability of medical gas systems for patient care" remains both our tradition today and our challenge tomorrow. We realize that with the size and complexity of our population, today's economy, and healthcare reform, sadly, it is unfathomable to any authority having jurisdiction (departments of health, fire marshals ...) to be asked to inspect every health care facility. That is why it is imperative that the AHJ's have a trusted resource to guide them. We are an essential ingredient to the integrity of our regulatory system, and that is why verification is the hallmark of our profession. Without it, the "rule of compliance" will be seen as nothing more than an instrument of burden.

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That must never be. That's why MGPHO has been at the forefront of all of the organized efforts to ensure competent testing criteria for new medical gas system installations. That is why we advocate the principles of NFPA, ASSE, CGA and other standards and codes. It was in our charter over almost three decades ago and it remains a part of our mission today.

Keith Ferrari

Medical Gas Verifiers are a very small community with a highly responsible position. You get hired by someone in the industry and shadow them for 2 years before you can even take the exam to earn the ASSE 6030 credential.

My mentors were Fred and Tom Evans. They had backgrounds in Respiratory Therapy and medical gas equipment sales. They learned from working at GMI. Fred came up with an idea to gather the competing verification firms to form an organization to educate the participants.

I was relatively new to this field, but was already instructing medical gas installers on NFPA 99. I enjoyed writing proposals for new NFPA 99 editions and learned from the ROP and ROC reports about everyone else's ideas to improve hospital piping. I liked attending class at the old PIPE school in California to interact with people across the country and test the mock hospital. It was good to exchange ideas and compare interpretations of the standards (now codes).

Once the MGPHO meetings gained momentum, it was fun to learn from those that had already been there and done that. My favorite topic was always the Open Forum to discuss the gray areas of NFPA 99. I enjoyed the many years serving as an officer on the Board of Directors and look forward to the in-person meetings each year.

Corky Bishop, P.E. CMGV<sup>®</sup>

I can recall what I believe was the second MGPHO meeting which took place in my hometown of Atlanta, GA. Most of the people involved in the medical gas marketplace were present at that meeting and the crowd was much smaller than the meetings we now attend. Each of us operated independently but recognized the need for some type of organization that could bring us together to discuss mutual issues, code interpretation, and field procedures.

However, the "fly in the ointment" was that we didn't trust each other in discussions about our hard won customers. Also, as "experts" in our very small market we all had some pretty massive egos. I'm very glad to see the progression of the organization into what it is today, the sharing of ideas and issues consistent in every meeting. The size of the egos of the current generation are considerably reduced from "us old guys" and the future of MGPHO has never looked brighter in my opinion.

Oliver (Tot) Darden

CEO/Founder/Owner

EMGS/Darden Properties

Environmental & Medical Gas Services, Inc.

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After hearing from a colleague in Florida that a group of medical gas professionals was planning an informal meetup in Oklahoma City, curiosity—and a secured invitation—prompted us to book a flight. The gathering, graciously hosted by Fred Evans of Medical Gas Management, began with a hosted lunch (always a promising start) before everyone migrated to the company’s conference room. At first, it felt like most attendees were there simply to see what everyone else was doing—equal parts networking and polite reconnaissance—but as the conversation unfolded, a shared realization emerged: our industry would benefit greatly from greater organization and standardization. By the end of the day, consensus had turned into action, and the group agreed to contribute \$50 each to AI Moon to formally establish what would become the Medical Gas Professional Healthcare Organization—proof that sometimes meaningful industry change begins with little more than a lunch, a conversation, and a modest collection envelope.

Richard Lee Miller – Medical Gas Training, Inc.

The first years and development of Credentials Committee

At the Atlanta meeting—the third gathering following the initial Oklahoma interest meetings—the MGPHO charter was drafted, approved, and adopted, making everyone present a charter member. In the organization’s early years, meetings were held quarterly in different regions of the country before eventually transitioning to an annual schedule. I joined the Board as Secretary at the request of Tom Evans, MGPHO’s second president, and continued as a full voting board member after Keith Ferrari was elected as the third president. Much of our early work focused on formalizing membership requirements, organizational structure, and the development of education and credentialing programs. Initially, credentials were overseen by a non-voting subcommittee chaired by Richard Miller, but as the program expanded, it became clear the role required full board representation. Due to bylaws preventing Richard and me—both employed by Medical Gas Technology, Inc.—from serving on the same committee, a practical compromise was reached: the Secretary position became a non-voting role, appointed by the MGPHO President, allowing Credentials to become a full board position, with Richard Miller serving as its first chair.

Connie Driscoll Miller – Medical Gas Testing & Certification, LLC

Thank you to all of our founding parents for your foresight, selfless, unflagging, and tenacious efforts to create our organization and shape it into the educational, life-saving family it has become today. The medical world is truly safer because of your efforts.

Jim Lucas

## MGPHO Annual Conference Sponsorships

For the 2026 Annual

Conference MGPHO has the following sponsorships available:

Keynote Speaker

Wednesday Coffee/Break

Wednesday Lunch

Thursday Coffee/Break

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Video Production

Sponsorship includes recognition at the conference and a sign showing the sponsorship. Sponsored items will be available for purchase on the MGPHO Website with the conference registration.

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## MGPHO Monthly Roundtable

In 2022 we started the new monthly MGPHO Roundtable and have had some great meetings and discussions. In those discussions some of our members were able to gain some great perspectives on how to handle situations that they are coming across in the field. Bring all of your questions, frustrations, wall of shame items found in the field, whatever you want! The important part is that you join us to talk about anything and everything medical gas.

Feel free to invite others to the calls.

For 2026 we are incorporating a short 20-30 minute educational topic along with the discussion.

Our 2026 Meetings will all be at 10:30 AM Central Time.

May 1st - The RFA- Cary Darden **\*\*NEW DATE\*\***

August 7<sup>th</sup> - Writing an effective Code Proposal- Mathis Carlson

If you missed the email you can find the link and other information on our LinkedIn page.

## Corporate Memberships Update

As we approach 2026 we are making some changes and adjustments to our corporate membership structure. We have been working on streamlining things for quite sometime and feel like this will achieve that.

Starting in 2026 our Corporate Membership dues will no longer include a prepaid tabletop at our annual conference. (More on that later)

Corporate Membership dues will be \$500, corporate membership is in the name of the corporation and has one individual member assigned.

That individual will have all rights and privileges for either an active or associate member based on their individual definitions.

When the conference registration opens, all attendees will need to pay and register for the conference. Our corporate members will have to log into their accounts and sign up for their tabletop and register their booth staff. There will be a window when the only people allowed to register for tabletops are those corporate members in good standing. (current on dues). The fee for the tabletop is \$1,000.00 and include two people for the staff. Additional attendees can be added at the standard member rate.

Following the cutoff date, all remaining tabletops will be made available to the general public. The remaining tables will be available for \$1,800.00 to anyone and also include 2 attendees.

We only have 30 tabletops and once we are sold out you will have to be placed on a waitlist in the event of a cancelation.

Be sure to watch out for your dues invoice and other communication to ensure that you don't miss the important dates.

## MGPHO Committees

One of the key ways to keep MGPHO Operating to the benefit of the MGPHO Members is for the BOD to receive input from all of the standing committees.

The following is a list of the committees that we have.

Please email [president@mgpho.org](mailto:president@mgpho.org) if you would like to join any of the committees.

There isn't a large time commitment as it usually entails 1-2 virtual meetings per year.

Credentials

Legal/Legislative

Membership

Education

Finance/Promotional/

Website

Structure/Nominating

Long Rang Planning

Ad Hoc Committees:

## 2026 Board of Director Elections

At the 2026 conference we will have two BOD spots up for election. If you want to get involved and help lead MGPHO this is your chance, nominations will be accepted up until the morning of the election.

### **The positions open for election are:**

VP-Finance: Currently held by Al Moon.

VP-Legal: Currently held by John Ostojic.

### **Current Nominees are:**

VP-Finance: Al Moon

VP Legal: John Ostojic

If you would like to nominate anyone to run for any positions please contact Danial Strickland– VP Structure. Nominations will be accepted until the morning of October 8th.

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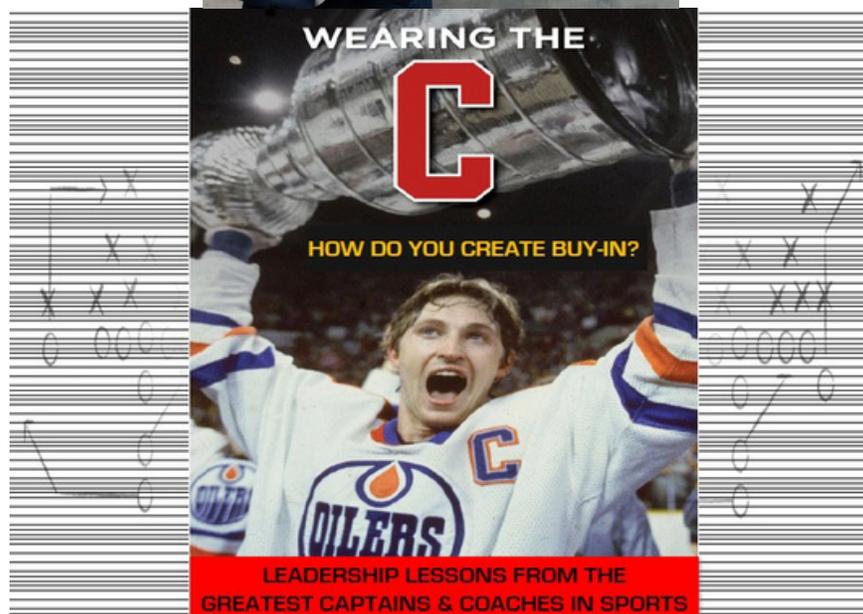
## 2026 Keynote– Ross Bernstein

Unfortunately as many of you know, Ross Bernstein was unable to join us in New Orleans. We are looking forward to having him back in Las Vegas. This year Ross will be presenting his program titled “Wearing the C: Leadership Lessons from the Greatest Captains and Coaches in Sports” The best-selling author of nearly 50 sports books, Ross Bernstein is a hall of fame peak performance business speaker who's keynoted conferences on all seven continents, and has been featured on CNN, ESPN, Fox News, and “CBS This Morning,” as well as in the Wall Street Journal, New York Times and USA Today.

Ross' program is based on a critically acclaimed book he wrote in which he was able to interview more than 500 captains and coaches in order to answer one question: What is it that makes the great ones great?

In this keynote session Ross will focus on dozens of amazing leaders from the world of sports, and explain how they were able to create “buy-in” through some very unorthodox methods. Success in business today is all about trust, communication and building deeper relationships — and it's no different in sports. Coaches have to motivate their players in order to not only win, but to keep their jobs — so they have a lot of different tools in their tool boxes. Ross learned that there is no right way to lead, so he will share many different philosophies that sales professionals and business leaders can use to develop better relationships in the workplace. At the core of his message is the simple fact that we like to do business with people who we trust, who we like, and who just “get it.” In an engaging, provocative, and visually entertaining style, Ross will use inspirational stories and poignant life lessons from the world of sports — as well as from some of the biggest brands in corporate America — to show attendees how to:

- Lead with integrity in order to achieve success
- Create buy-in to connect with millennials, boomers and challenging co-workers
- Generate momentum through leading by example and mentorship of others
- Create a winner's mindset in order to stay self-motivated through good times and bad



# Tentative MGPFO 25th Annual Education Conference Agenda

David Osborn VP of education is hard at work building our conference agenda and I am excited to share the initial draft.

## **Tuesday, October 6th**

8:00am-3:00pm BOD Meeting (Invite Only)

3:00pm-6:00pm New CMGV Practical Exam (Invite Only)

Evening- Membership Committee Activity (Outside event)

## **Wednesday, October 7th**

8:00am – 08:15am -Opening Comments: Mathis Carlson President MGPFO

8:15am – 9:15am - TBD

9:30am – 10:20am- TBD

10:30 - 12:00- KEYNOTE - Ross Bernstein - “Wearing the C”

Lunch 12:00pm – 01:00pm (provided)

1:00pm – 2:30pm - The upcoming 2027 NFPA 99- Mathis Carlson and Jonathan Willard

2:45pm - 3:45pm -TBD

4:00pm – 5:00pm / MGPFO Open Forum and STP

5:00pm – 8:00pm / MGPFO VENDOR SHOW

## **Thursday, October 8th**

8:00am – 9:15am - Opening Comments and Business Meeting Mathis Carlson President MGPFO

9:15am – 10:15am—TBD

10:15am - 11:30am- Presidents report, speeches and elections

Lunch 11:30am – 012:30pm (provided)

12:30pm -2:00pm– Medical Gas and the AO’s- Brennan Scott- DNV

2:00pm – 3:00pm –Election results & Closing Comments Mathis Carlson President MGPFO

3:00pm-6:00pm - CRFA Exam (Invite Only)

## Call for Abstracts 2026 Annual Conference

We are still looking for more speakers for next years conference in Las Vegas.

Please send any presentations, topic ideas or speaker ideas to David Osborn VP of Education to be considered for the next conference. ([education@mgpho.org](mailto:education@mgpho.org))

The best way for us to build a program that benefits the members the most is by getting the ideas from the members. We want to get the program set early for the next conference in order for our members to better plan their attendance.



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*"The only difference between success and failure is the ability to take action."  
Alexander Graham Bell*

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## MGPHO Update

At the 2026 conference, the VP of Finance and Vp of Legal are up for election. Please let Danial Strickland-VP of Structure know if you would like to nominate anyone for these two positions.

Invoices for 2026 dues have been sent. Remember that membership expired on December 31. On April 1<sup>st</sup> all members with unpaid dues will be removed from the current members list.

Please help us with the renewal process and renew early as it make the start of the year run smoother. If you do not get an invoice please let us know so that your membership does not lapse.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2025 you are no longer displayed as a member on the website directory until you are current.

We are happy to announce that our 2027 Annual education conference will be held September 21-23, 2027 in Minneapolis, MN. We will be hosting this conference in conjunction with the ASPE Tech Symposium.

Additionally, as a way to streamline communication between members and the organization we have now set up official email address for each member of the board.

President -Mathis Carlson [president@mgpho.org](mailto:president@mgpho.org)  
VP Structure– Danial Strickland [structure@mgpho.org](mailto:structure@mgpho.org)  
VP Legal-John Ostojic [legal@mgpho.org](mailto:legal@mgpho.org)  
VP Membership– Jim Brusse [membeship@mgpho.org](mailto:membeship@mgpho.org)  
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Administrative [Admin@mgpho.org](mailto:Admin@mgpho.org)

## A Message from the MGPHO President—January 2025

I am writing to address an item that has come to the attention of the MGPHO Board of Directors several times regarding the Annual Educational Conferences over the last few years. We are aware that some firms and other industry stakeholders have been approaching and attempting to recruit technicians and professionals while they are attending our conferences.

The MGPHO Annual Conference is the only medical gas specific educational conference for technicians, industry leaders, and professionals to collaborate, learn, and advance in their respective fields. Our conference serves as an educational platform where participants are given the opportunity to develop their skills, knowledge, and share insights within a community-focused event.

The goal of our organization and our conference is to promote and provide collaboration and professional growth through education. It is inappropriate and disruptive for firms and other industry stakeholders to solicit technicians for recruitment purposes during the conference. Such actions undermine the spirit of the event and create unnecessary distractions that detract from the value it offers to its attendees. These actions are also one of the most common reasons cited among potential members as why they choose not to attend or join MGPHO.

I, along with the MGPHO Board of Directors, strongly encourage firms and other industry stakeholders to refrain from targeting technicians and attendees in this manner. We also encourage all members to review our code of ethics that you have agreed to follow as MGPHO members. The code of ethics includes “...consistent and ethical practices between members ....”

I recommend that companies interested in recruitment or business partnerships follow the appropriate channels, engaging with participants through established, formal avenues outside of the conference setting. This ensures that the primary focus of the conference remains on its educational and professional objectives.

I value your understanding and cooperation in maintaining the integrity and value of the MGPHO Annual Education Conference. I look forward to continuing to work together with all our members and attendees to ensure a respectful, productive, educational, and enriching experience for all involved.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mathis Carlson- MGPHO President

# Member Spotlights



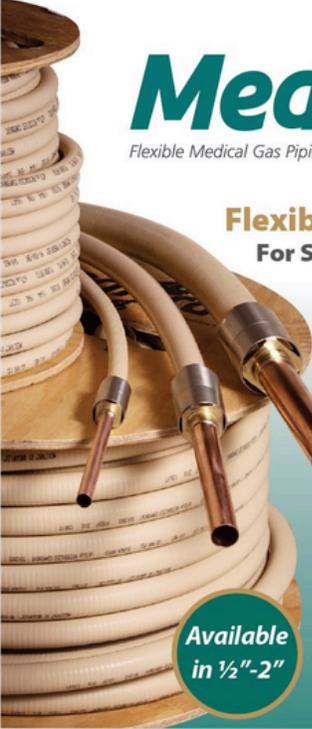
## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

*Get to know MGPHO Members in our Member Spotlights*

Don't forget to follow the MGPHO forums online!  
Stay tuned for the new website coming in 2026!

We want to spotlight our members to get to know each other. Please submit your spotlights to:  
[president@mgpho.org](mailto:president@mgpho.org)

Have something you want to include in the newsletter?  
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## Upcoming MGPHO BOD Meetings

The MGPHO BOD has scheduled regular board meetings. The dates are as follows:

March 20, 2026—Chicago  
April 17, 2026—Teams  
May 22, 2026—Teams  
June 12, 2026—Teams  
July 10, 2026—Teams  
August 7, 2026—Teams  
September 18, 2026—Teams  
September 28, 2026—Teams  
October 6, 2026 - Las Vegas  
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