

Illinois Historical Boiler Association

# Newsletter

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General Meeting Saturday, April 16, 2016 2:00 PM

At the

Holiday Inn & Suites Florentine Room 715 Parkway Plaza Drive Bloomington, Illinois

(see attached directions)

### On the Agenda

- State Non-ASME Inspections
- Lapsed Inspections
- Election of Directors

# About this meeting...

This general meeting of the IHBA will bring you up to date on a couple of issues the State Boiler Inspectors have been dealing with. The Non-ASME inspection procedure adopted last year has been discontinued, and all boilers will now be inspected and evaluated on their own merits according to the National Board Code, which is the IHBA's position throughout this process. The procedure for inspection of boilers that have had lapses of two or more consecutive cycles is also in progress, but that progress is slowed by the State's rule-making process. The language in question is as follows:

Clarify the inspection cycle for a historical boiler in the event that one or more required inspections are not conducted by the owner or operator.

- a. Historical boilers are older boilers that were installed before the standard use of ASME labels and codes, some of them installed before 1900.
- b. Historical boilers are inspected every two years.

c. The proposed change would make it so that if a historical boiler misses two inspection cycles (4 years), a full grid ultrasonic (UT) inspection by a third party would be required before a certificate of operation could be issued. This ensures that historical boilers that are not inspected under the approved schedule are comprehensively evaluated for signs of inadequate safety.

We will also try to have an NBIC update at the meeting.

Pass the word around to your friends and colleagues about this meeting. My computer was hacked last summer, and I have had to recreate the database. There may be people who have been active for whom I don't have records.

Directions to the Meeting on April 16, 2016:

From I-55 take Veterans Parkway around the east side of Bloomington. At Parkway Plaza Drive (between Fort Jesse Road and College Avenue, north of IL Route 9) go east about 2 blocks to the Holiday Inn Express & Suites on your right.

If you are interested, there are many places to eat lunch on Veterans Parkway. Dues for 2016 can be paid at the meeting.