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ASHRAE LONDON CANADA

CHAPTER #116

Topic:

Retrofitting for Resilience

Presenter:

Bruce Taylor

P.Eng., FCAE, Founder - Enviro Stewards

Monday September 28th, 2026

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Social

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Presentation

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1030 Elias St, London

Registration Link

\$90 – Members | \$30 – Students

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September Topic:

With tariff uncertainty, retrofitting production facilities to consume less energy, water & raw materials builds resiliency. And as retailers seek to drive down their supply chain footprints, retrofits by suppliers shift them from perceived laggards to leaders worthy of promotional advertising by those same customers.

This presentation and Q&A provides insights from the field of sustainability engineering that consistently drive down operating costs while reducing footprints. Case studies include NASA's space shuttle, Unilever, as well as Maple Leaf Foods, who became the World's First Carbon Neutral Major Food company (in 2019), while saving \$17 million thus far.

Key Takeaways:

- Your business does not need a sustainability plan, it needs a business plan that is sustainable
- Sustainability is good for business resiliency. Co-benefits include market advantage (through lower operating costs and sales opportunities), employee attraction & retention, and investor risk reduction
- Engineering's root-cause based approach and systemic thinking yields impactful & cost-effective sustainability measures

September Presenter:

Bruce Taylor

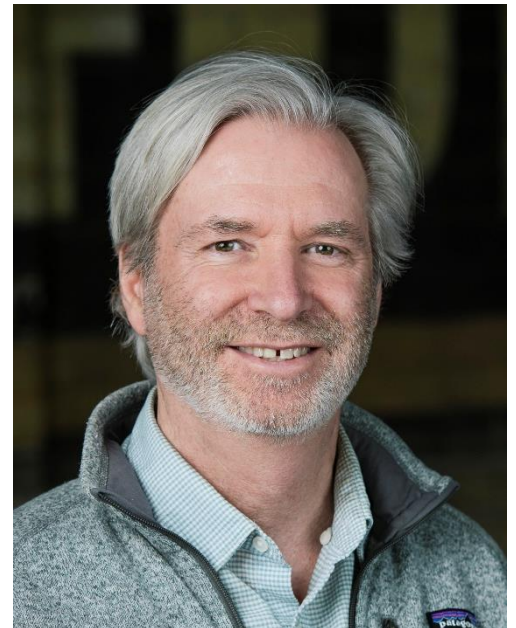
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About the Speaker:

Bruce is a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering and the founder of Enviro-Stewards, which is a Best for the World classified B Corporation, recipient of Global Compact Canada's SDG Goal award, and the only Canadian company to win a Global SDG award. Bruce also authored the Engineering & Business school textbook: Sustainable Business: Insights from the field of Sustainability Engineering.

His extensive sustainability engineering work has earned numerous national awards for projects spanning major healthcare facilities, leading wineries, and more than 50 large-scale food and beverage processing plants. His portfolio also highlights innovative, award-winning infrastructure designs like the Smart Blue Roof system.

Bruce also founded the safe water project in South Sudan that has won an international globe award and was featured in B the change magazine, MEDA magazine, and a TEDx talk.





2026-2027 Chapter President's Message

To ASHRAE London Chapter Members,

It is an honour to introduce myself as your ASHRAE London Chapter President for 2026–2027. After serving our Chapter in several roles alongside the Board of Governors, I am grateful for the opportunity to lead an organization that has contributed so much to our local industry and community.

This will be a particularly meaningful year for our Chapter. On May 8, 2027, the ASHRAE London Canada Chapter will celebrate the 55th anniversary of receiving its charter.

This milestone belongs to every past president, board member, committee chair, volunteer, sponsor, speaker, student, donor, and member who has contributed to our Chapter. Their time, knowledge, and commitment created the organization we benefit from today. Our responsibility is not only to celebrate what they built, but also to strengthen it for the members who will follow us.

An anniversary should be more than a look back at our history. It should challenge us to consider what we want the next 55 years to look like. The theme for the 2026–2027 ASHRAE Society Year, introduced by Society President Sarah E. Maston, is "Changing the Game: Retrofitting for Resilience." This theme recognizes that creating a more sustainable future will depend not only on constructing new buildings, but also on improving the efficiency, health, performance, and resilience of the buildings already serving our communities.

President Maston's message focuses on three important areas: increasing awareness of building codes and their role in resilience, bringing cross-functional teams together to create practical plans for improving building operations, and making education more engaging so we can attract and prepare the next generation of HVAC&R professionals.

This is a fitting theme for our anniversary year. Resilience is not simply about maintaining what already exists. It is about understanding where we are, bringing the right people together, learning from experience, and adapting so that we can become stronger.

Our goal this year is to provide valuable technical education, exceptional speakers, meaningful professional connections, and opportunities for members to exchange ideas. We also want to strengthen our relationships with Western University and Fanshawe College, support our Young Engineers in ASHRAE, recognize our past leaders, and create opportunities for new members and volunteers to become involved.

We are especially honoured that Society President Sarah E. Maston is currently scheduled to join us in London on May 20, 2027, just days after our 55th anniversary. We are planning a special celebration in May to recognize this important milestone and bring our Chapter community together. Please stay tuned for further details as our anniversary plans are finalized.

A strong Chapter cannot be sustained by the Board of Governors alone. It grows when members attend meetings, bring colleagues, sponsor students, share ideas, support ASHRAE Research, volunteer for committees, and help introduce young people to the opportunities available within our industry.

This is your local Chapter, and your participation will determine what we accomplish together.

Thank you to our Board of Governors, committee chairs, sponsors, Research Promotion donors, volunteers, past leaders, and members for your continued commitment. I look forward to listening to your ideas, working alongside you, and building upon the strong foundation created over the past 55 years.

Together, let us make this anniversary year one that future members will be proud to look back upon.

Regards,

Tom Deslippe
President, 2026–2027
ASHRAE London Canada Chapter #116

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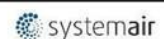
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Professional Development

Need hours for your professional development requirements? Be sure to attend a chapter meeting. Professional Engineers Ontario requires members to have yearly professional development training recorded through the Practice Evaluation and Knowledge (PEAK) program. Other groups may also require continuing education.

Chapter Upcoming Meetings

October 26th – **Speaker and Location TBD**

November 30th – **Speaker and Location TBD**

December 9th – **Holiday Social Lunch**

Location: **Toboggan Brewing Company**

***** be sure to check web site for latest information *****

<http://LondonCanada.AshraeChapters.org>

ASHRAE Society Engineering Job Board

The ASHRAE society Engineering job is a publicly accessible job board where all companies can create job postings for HVACR related jobs. The resource is available at <https://jobs.ashrae.org/>

Business Card Ads

Place your business card in our monthly newsletter! Just \$100 for one year and will also be included on the ASHRAE London Canada Chapter website.

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ASHRAE RESEARCH

Hello ASHRAE London Members,

A big thank you to all of our annual sponsors who have helped us kick off the year at a record pace! Thanks to 11 local annual sponsors, we've already raised **\$1,650** toward **ASHRAE Research Promotion** - an incredible start toward our chapter goal of **\$10,800**.

We're excited to introduce this year's sponsorship opportunity for Chapter Members. A portion of every sponsorship goes directly to support ASHRAE Research Promotion, and we're thrilled to already be off and running thanks to your generosity.

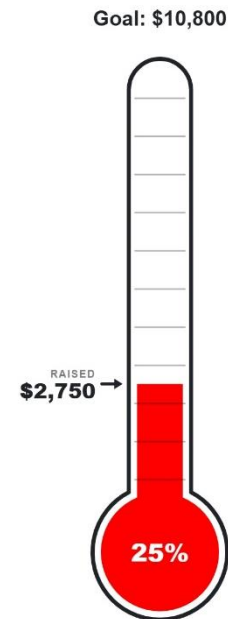
Each month, sponsors and donors will be recognized in our chapter newsletter and on the ASHRAE London Canada Chapter website. To donate online please visit: <http://www.ashrae.com/donate>

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Honour Roll	\$150 +	\$500 +
Major Donor (Bronze)	\$250 - \$999	\$500 - \$999
Major Donor (Silver)	\$1000 - \$2,499	\$1000 - \$2,499

As always, donations can be made through the link on our chapter website, or feel free to reach out to Scott Sinclair at Scott.Sinclair@chorley.com to assist with the process. Let's keep the momentum going!



Government Affairs

Kate Mayberry – Government Affairs Chair 2026-2027

Andrew Megens – Government Affairs Committee 2026-2027

City of Toronto Requests that ASHRAE Resources be Incorporated into Ontario's Building Code

On August 19, ASHRAE sent a letter to Member of Provincial Parliament Rob Flack, who serves as the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing echoing a request from city council of Toronto that ASHRAE Standard 241, *Control of Infectious Aerosols* and Guideline 44, *Protecting Building Occupants from Smoke During Wildfire and Prescribed Burn Events* be incorporated into Ontario's building code.

For more information on this, please visit the following ASHRAE [webpage](#) .



ASHRAE Pocket Guide 10th Edition

Now available in the ASHRAE Bookstore! The ASHRAE Pocket Guide 10th edition serves as a user-friendly, offline reference for engineers without easy access to complete ASHRAE Handbook volumes. This latest edition has been revised to include updates from the four current volumes of the ASHRAE Handbook series, from the 2019 editions of ASHRAE Standards 15, 34, 62.1, 62.2, and 90.1, and the 2020 edition of Standard 55. Learn more about what is included in the 10th edition and purchase your copy today.

<https://www.ashrae.org/technical-resources/bookstore/ashrae-pocket-guide-for-air-conditioning-heating-ventilation-refrigeration-10th-ed>

New ASHRAE Certification Study Guide

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The NEW **Certification Study Guide: Building Commissioning Professional (BCxP)** joins the growing suite of ASHRAE Certification tools to help you reach your professional goals.

Looking for something else? Also available are the **Certification Study Guides for Certified HVAC Designer (CHD)** and **Building Energy Modeling Professional (BEMP)**.

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Tune into conversations between leading ASHRAE experts as they discuss what HVAC engineers need to know to design better systems and grow the HVAC&R industry. Available on all podcast platforms.

<https://www.ashrae.org/news/ashraejournal/ashrae-journal-podcast>

ASHRAE CRC (Chapters Regional Conference)

Several members of the Chapter Board attended the CRC in PEI this summer hosted by the NB/PEI Chapter. Each of the 9 Region 2 Chapters reported on their activities over the past year and planned for the upcoming year. The CRC was also attended by Sarah Maston, P.E., BCxP, LEED AP, 2026-27 ASHRAE President who presented on her theme: Changing the Game: Retrofitting for Resilience. There is also a "game" created based on the Society Theme that you can try: HVAC HERO. Test your HVAC problem solving skills by playing the new HVAC Hero game! See how many kWh you can save as you navigate the building with your new friend, Muggy. See more at: <https://www.ashrae.org/about/leadership/ashrae-president>