



## **Boston Chapter 25**

### **Notes From The National Convention**

This years' event was held July 14 to July 16 at the Hutton Hotel in Nashville, TN. In attendance from Boston Chapter 25 were Greg Williamson, Northeast Governor and John DeVito, Chapter President.

This years' event was well attended with over 100 members representing all Chapters across the US.

Although I did not attend any tracks for the Estimating Academy, I had the opportunity to look in on several sessions and they seemed well taught and attended.

The Awards Dinner was particularly exciting as Boston Chapter 25 won the Award for Member Retention for Chapters with over 20 members. This is a testament to the commitment of our membership to ASPE and Boston 25. Congratulations to all of our members.

The Northeast Regional Caucus was held on Saturday July 16, Greg Williamson, Northeast Governor presiding. The fall regional meeting will be held October 15, 2011 in Philadelphia. All Chapters have been asked by National President Keith Jones to appoint Committee Chairs for Membership and Awards.

Richmond, VA will become the 18<sup>th</sup> Chapter in the Northeast, most likely being chartered in the fall of 2011. This will make the Northeast Region tied with Central Plains as the two largest Regions in the Society by number of Chapters. The Northeast Region has the most members with 546, followed by Southwest with 498. The Boston Chapter is the largest in the society with 99 members followed by Denver Chapter 5 with 94 members. The Northeast Region has the most CPE's with 165 followed by the Southwest with 164. Dallas/F W Chapter 43 has the most CPE's with 31 followed by Atlanta Chapter 14 with 27. Denver Chapter 5 and Orange County Chapter 3 have 24 CPE's. The Boston Chapter has 19 CPE's.

The National Business Session included three proposed Amendments to the Bylaws. Amendment #1 proposed the designation of Lifetime CPE (LCPE). Amendment #2 proposed changes to the annual due date for Chapter dues to August 1, in lieu of individual anniversary dates. Amendment #3 proposed minor language for the Certification Committee related to training of estimators for the certification process. I voted for approval of all the Amendments. Amendment #1 did not pass, Amendments 2 & 3 passed.

Next Years National Convention will be held in Reno, Nevada.

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