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**SUBJECT: GOLD RIBBON AND LOG BOOK
OF TIME AWARD
18TH ENTRY - HISTORY OF A PERSON**

Dear Mr. Kearney:

I have enclosed the La Crosse Area Chapter, 18th entry, for the Gold Ribbon and Log Book of Time Award. The La Crosse Area Chapter, 115, is proud to submit the History of a Person, Hugh A. Boschert, P.E., an Engineer who contributed much time for the formation of the La Crosse Area Chapter.

Thank you.

James M. Ritter

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HISTORY OF A PERSON

HUGH A. BOSCHERT

On May 13, 1970, Mr. Fred Manget, Vice President, Marketing, The Trane Company, wrote a letter to Bob Flanagan who was the DRC for Region IV suggesting that an ASHRAE Chapter be established in the La Crosse area. Everyone agreed so the next step was to form a Steering Committee and poll the local area as to the interest in becoming a member of ASHRAE. Hugh Boschert was named Chairman of the Steering Committee and the wheels began to turn. He contacted all of the adjacent ASHRAE chapters to present the request for a chapter for the La Crosse area. After many meetings and correspondence, it came to pass that on August 22, 1971, the La Crosse Area Chapter of ASHRAE received its charter and has been a premier chapter every year since.

Mr. Hugh A. Boschert was the first Chapter President for 1971-72. Hugh was born on September 8, 1927 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. He graduated from Aquinas High School in La Crosse, Wisconsin in May 1945. He then attended La Crosse Vocational School, (now Western Wisconsin Technical College). He served in the Navy for at time.

He was employed for five years with the architectural firm, Boyum, Schubert & Sorensen of La Crosse and later for 36 years at HSR Associates, Architects and Engineers of La Crosse and Madison, Wisconsin, where he retired in 1990 as Vice President and Director of Engineering.

He is a charter member of the La Crosse Area Chapter of ASHRAE. He was a member of Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

He is a member of the American Legion, the La Crosse Memorial Day Association, La Crosse Oktoberfest, and a 25 Year Member of the La Crosse Kiwanis Club. He is a member of St. Thomas More Parish, where he served on the Parish Council, Finance Committee and was President of the Board of Education.

He married Dorothy Ann Eeg on June 25, 1949. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1999. They have three children and seven grandchildren. He is currently enjoying his retirement and visits Hawaii regularly.

Respectfully submitted,


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