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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

As summer draws to a close and we leave behind the sun-soaked (more soak than sun) days, I'm excited to welcome all of you to the commencement of our 2023-24 meeting season. It's been a while and I can't wait to catch up with each of you and dive into the upcoming programs that our New England Chapter has planned.

Here's what you can look forward to in the upcoming weeks:

**Energy Efficiency in Higher Education –** On September 13th, we are gathering at UMass Lowell for an enlightening session on "Energy Efficiency in Higher Education". I'm thrilled to announce that we'll have **Ruairi O'Mahony** sharing insights on **UMass Lowell's visionary and comprehensive approach towards decarbonization.** This is a great opportunity for all of us to understand and appreciate the **forward strides being taken in educational institutions towards a sustainable future.**

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**CWEEL's 2nd Annual Community Harvest Project –** Giving back to our community has always been close to our hearts. **Join our dedicated CWEEL members** on September 15th at the Community Harvest Farm in North Grafton, MA. We'll be **fighting food insecurity hands-on, by aiding in the harvest and chipping in with other farm chores.** It's not just about lending a hand, **it's about making a difference, together.**

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**Technical Roundtable on Electrification –** The topic of electrification in Massachusetts is crucial, and we're **dedicating a round table session to delve deeper into it.** Dates and details will follow soon, so keep an eye out for our notifications.

If you have any insights, questions, or suggestions, always feel free to reach out. Your feedback shapes our journey forward.

Warm regards,

-John Maw  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Energy Efficiency in Higher Education

Wednesday, September 13 • 5:30 PM  
**\$50 - dinner included**

**UMass Lowell Inn & Conference Center**  
Hamilton Room  
50 Warren St • Lowell, MA

**Featured Speaker:**  
**Ruairi O'Mahony**  
Executive Director  
Rist Institute for Sustainability and Energy  
**UMass Lowell**

Learn about UMass Lowell's comprehensive approach to decarbonization and achieving the leading energy efficiency and energy use intensity metrics in Massachusetts

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### CWEEL 2nd Annual Community Harvest Project

Friday, September 15 • 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
**Free Registration (limited spots available)**

**Community Harvest Farm**  
37 Wheeler Road • North Grafton, MA

Spend the morning with CWEEL members fighting food insecurity by helping with the harvest and other farm chores

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## CWEEL UPDATE



Andrea Moshier - CWEEL Lead

Thank you to everyone who joined our July networking event. Special thanks to **Danielle Poulin Crocker for planning and facilitating the conversation.** During this virtual lunch break, **we broke into small groups to introduce ourselves and reflect on a variety of energy and more general topics.** We all left with **new connections and a great recommended reading list!** The idea of networking can be daunting, and I am grateful for the less formal, low-pressure opportunities CWEEL provides.

For our next event, we'll be together in person! Join us at the **Community Harvest Project** on September 15. This volunteer organization does amazing work to **grow and distribute fresh fruits and vegetables, and CWEEL is excited to contribute.** You may recall, we were forced to cancel this event last year due to draught, **a stark reminder of local climate change impacts.** We will help with the harvest and other farm chores from 9:00 – 12:00; **pack a picnic lunch to enjoy together before heading home.**

Finally, a reminder that CWEEL is the women's division of AEE, open to anyone who wants to support women in our industry. Please reach out with questions, comments or ideas – [CWEEL@aeenewengland.org](mailto:CWEEL@aeenewengland.org).

**Community Harvest Project - [Register Here](#)**  
-Limited Spots Available-

-Andrea Moshier  
CWEEL Lead

## EM2U/AEE-NE PODCAST



**Kevin Silveira**  
National Grid

Massachusetts' nationally recognized energy efficiency programs are now investing in cleaner electric technologies to reduce carbon emissions statewide. Kevin will review the available opportunities and incentives for C&I customers to upgrade to cleaner electric technologies that include a variety of heat pumps and "custom measures" that may include almost any technology that displaces oil, propane or natural gas-powered equipment or systems. For additional information on heat pump incentives in Massachusetts visit [www.nationalgridus.com/Heat-Pumps](http://www.nationalgridus.com/Heat-Pumps). Or check out Mass Save's Heat Pump Incentives. If you do not live in MA, please check with your local utility provider for potential incentives on heat pumps and other electrification measures.

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