

speakers bureau

Programs for your meetings



your community energy company

Madison Gas and Electric (MGE) is pleased to provide you with a wide variety of speakers and topics related to the industry and community.

New Home Planning Basics

Planning to build a new home? Where do you get started in the process? Let our professional planners help you. From choosing a site and hiring a reputable contractor all the way to landscaping. Emphasis on incorporating renewable energy and energy-saving technology. MGE is a member of the Madison Area Builders Association and is ready to help.



Green Building Basics

What is a green building and how do you get started building a green home? Let us explain the basics of green construction and how to get started. Whether it's new construction or an addition to your home, green building construction has many benefits over conventional methods including reduced energy and resource consumption, improved indoor air quality, reduced stormwater runoff and increased value to your home.

Natural Gas Safety: Be Prepared

Natural gas is one of the cleanest and most efficient burning fuels for heat and power generating uses. Learn about basic natural gas properties, safe use of appliances, how to use Diggers Hotline and what to do if you detect a gas leak.



Danger: High Voltage

Designed for emergency response personnel, learn what actions to take with high-voltage electricity and how to safely respond to emergency situations involving MGE facilities and equipment.

Energy Conservation: The Power of Five

Conserving and using energy wisely is one of the most effective ways of reducing natural gas and electricity consumption. Learn about low- and no-cost ways you can reduce your energy bills and minimize your environmental impact. Our experts will talk about common updates you can do and dispel energy myths.

Managing MGE's Natural Gas Supply

Managing an adequate supply of gas and balancing gas cost is a challenging job at MGE. Learn what factors influence the supply and subsequently affect the price of natural gas on an ongoing basis.

West Campus Cogeneration Facility (WCCF)

This state-of-the-art, natural gas-fired generating station provides steam and chilled water for the UW Madison campus and up to 150 megawatts of electricity for MGE customers. WCCF is jointly owned by MGE and the State of Wisconsin. WCCF was originally completed in 2005 and uses the latest pollution control technologies to reduce environmental impacts and provide reliable energy for our growing community.

Blount Station

Blount began generating power in the early 1900s and continues to provide a reliable source of electricity for MGE customers. This program traces the history of Blount's operations as one of Madison's first power facilities to its importance today as a regional power generating plant. Blount was the first power plant in Wisconsin to achieve and maintain ISO 14001 status—a very strict, internationally recognized environmental certification. Blount continues to play a significant role in meeting the energy needs of MGE's customers in an environmentally responsible manner. In 2011, Blount will discontinue burning coal and burn natural gas.



Elm Road Generating Station: Cleaner Coal for the Future

The Elm Road Generating Station is the newest, cleaner coal power generating station in Wisconsin. Located on the Lake Michigan shoreline, just south of Milwaukee, Elm Road will provide MGE customers and Wisconsin residents with a clean, reliable source of energy. Operated by We Energies, Elm Road can produce 1,230 megawatts of electricity at maximum output. Planning for Elm Road started in 2000. Plant completion is targeted for 2010 with its twin steam-turbine generators producing enough electricity for 1 million households. Elm Road is the largest private construction project ever undertaken in the state of Wisconsin, employing over 2,500 skilled workers at the peak of construction.

100-Plus Years of Community Service: The History of MGE

MGE has played an important role in the growth and development of Madison. When MGE was formed in 1896, Madison had a population of 17,000, covering 25 square miles.

More than a century later, MGE has 141,000 gas customers and 137,000 electric customers and a service area covering seven south-central and western Wisconsin counties. This program highlights many of the company events that have shaped our great community for more than a century.



MGE Energy's Direct Stock Purchase Plan

Find out about purchasing MGE Energy common stock directly through the company. The Direct Stock Purchase Plan is designed to make investing in MGE Energy convenient and affordable. It allows investors to purchase shares directly from the company with minimal or no brokerage fees, reinvest dividends, receive cash payments, deposit MGE Energy certificates for safekeeping and make regular additional investments via electronic funds transfer.

Dane County Economic Development Initiatives: Future Growth Opportunities

This presentation includes recent nonresidential construction forecasts in Dane County including high technology and other commercial development opportunities. Learn where development will likely occur and what economic factors will influence development.

Green Power Tomorrow. Today

MGE's voluntary Green Power Tomorrow renewable energy program is very popular among customer groups. MGE is a leader in green power programs for customers, having built one of the first commercial wind farms in Wisconsin in 1999. Today, more than 12% of MGE's installed electricity generation comes from green power sources. Learn about the environmental benefits of green power, where it comes from and how you can sign up for Green Power Tomorrow.



MGE's Commercial Wind Farms

Beginning in 1999 with the construction of MGE's Kewaunee County Wind Farm in the town of Rosiere to the 2008 Top of Iowa Wind Farm, MGE is a leader in generating clean, renewable wind power, the fastest growing renewable energy source in the world. Our presenter will take you on a tour of a commercial wind turbine and explore how wind turbines produce electricity.

CO2gether.org

Reduce your carbon footprint by identifying your sources, tracking and reducing your carbon emissions and logging your progress on one convenient Web site. CO2gether.org is the work of MGE, 1000 Friends of Wisconsin and the University of Wisconsin Center for Sustainability and the Global Environment. Learn about how this local site can help you or your group learn about global warming and reduce your carbon impact on the environment. This site is customized for people who live in south-central Wisconsin.

Solar in Schools

A partnership between 10 area high schools and MGE is generating clean energy and teaching valuable renewable energy concepts. In 2002, a major grant from the MGE Foundation launched Solar in Schools. Each school received a 2.4-kilowatt solar photovoltaic system complete with a Web-based monitoring system to help track operation and provide valuable data. Find out what we've learned about these systems and how teachers and students are using the data.



Scheduling a speaker

Choose a topic that interests your group; then contact us to schedule a program. If you have a specific interest in a topic not listed, contact us and we will try to meet your needs.

Please contact us at least two weeks before your meeting date. This will allow us adequate time to make necessary arrangements.

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