

## Don Page, MBA, CHFM 2024 Candidate for Advisory Board Region 5 Representative Bio



Don Page has served as the Director of Engineering at Good Samaritan Hospital in Vincennes, Indiana for the past 14 years. He holds a Master's degree in Business Administration, Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering Technologies, and most recently obtained his "Certified Healthcare Facility Manager" (CHFM) through ASHE. His responsibilities include oversight of Bio-medical engineering, plant operations, general maintenance, and all renovation/construction projects. Building a strong, cohesive engineering team has also been a priority to ensure that they provide the best service possible to patients and co-workers.

Throughout his career in healthcare, Don has had the opportunity to construct a new 5-story patient tower (Gibault Memorial), New Central Energy Plant, New Education Center/Conference Room, along with many other projects of varying sizes, working with department leaders and staff to ensure that their needs are met to provide the best patient care possible. Most recently, his team successfully completed constructing a "prefab" mechanical vestibule for the HVAC replacement in the main surgery suite, where the goal was to minimize downtime and maximize revenue generation during the installation.

Most importantly, Don fills the role of being a "caregiver" to whoever needs assistance within the facilities whether that is a patient, family member, or co-worker. His approach at work is pretty simple; "Make a Difference", three little words that have a big impact. Whether it's construction of a million-dollar project, working with problem-solving teams, or simply giving someone directions in the hall, all contribute to the simple "Make a Difference" approach. These 3 simple words originated from a quote by John F Kennedy that says, "One Person Can Make a Difference, and Everyone Should Try". Don lives life by this quote and often considers "what would this world be like if we all approached life in that manner?"

It has been Don's pleasure to serve as the ASHE Advisory Board Region 5 representative for the past two years and has found it to be a wonderful experience to be able to connect with so many of his colleagues around the Region 5 area as well as across the country. For the past 7 years, Don has also served on the ISHE (Indiana Society of Healthcare Engineers) board in various capacities: he served as president in 2021 and is currently serving as a special appointment to the board. In 2020, Don received ISHE's "2020 Engineer of the Year", and in 2022, he received the "MAX" award, which recognizes the recipient's dedication to ISHE and healthcare engineering.

As far as interests and hobbies, Don enjoys "all things outdoors". He enjoys running, golfing, pickleball, hiking, and hunting, and he also enjoys woodworking, tinkering in his shop and driving the 1960 Ford Thunderbird that him and his son restored. He has also refereed high school basketball for the past 8 years to stay connected to the game that he has enjoyed playing for many years. Of course, spending time with his six grandchildren is without a doubt the greatest!