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2018 ANNUAL PARTNERS

The 2017 annual partnership program was such a success that we will be bringing it back for 2018! If you were a partner in 2017 and want to be a partner again, or if you did not get signed up last year and you would like to give it a try this year, contact Joe Johnson for more information: jjohnson@burnsmcd.com. Don't miss out again on this great opportunity!

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

FROM JASON MEYERS

As we welcome in 2018, it is always important to reflect on all the accomplishments of 2017. These accomplishments would not have been possible without the leadership and guidance of Past President Rob Krewson. Rob always had the best interests of this organization in decisions he made in 2017. So, thank you Rob for your leadership in 2017. I would also like to thank all the committee chairs in 2017 as well, they helped to accomplish what we hope is another PACE award that we will receive on the stage in Kansas City.

I am really blessed to be president in 2018. Most of the executive board has served over two years on the board and over 80% of the committee chairs are returning for 2018. Of course, the real benefit of becoming president is to become a judge at the BBQ competition. But seriously it is an honor to serve as president in the year that we will be hosting the 2018 PWX. And with that I would like to thank the 2018 Co-Co-Co Chairs of 2018 PWX- Tim Ross, Bill Stogsdill and Joe Johnson. They are doing a phenomenal job of leading the event planning for PWX.

Every year the Kansas City Business Journal completes a book of lists. Last month they published the "Top area conventions and events for 2018". Would you believe that APWA PWX made number seven on the list? Only behind events such as the Big 12 college basketball, VFW national convention and USA Volleyball. The economic impact of PWX is over \$5 million dollars to Kansas City. Our chapter has a lot of responsibility for this event so please volunteer if you are able. And be on the lookout for opportunities to give back to this great organization and specifically our chapter in Kansas City.

It's always important to understand the past experiences of the people that you surround yourself with. With that I would like to take the time for you to have a short background on my experiences in life. I grew up in the small southwestern Kansas town of Dodge City Kansas. My father was a mechanic at the local Ford dealership and my mother was a book keeper at the Kansas Soldier Home. Growing up I spent a lot of time in the garage helping my dad repair cars, snowmobiles, four-wheelers and motorcycles. I have one older sister that now lives in Newton Kansas with her family. After high school I attended Kansas State University where I graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. Upon graduation in 1999 I began my career in Kansas City, joining APWA in 2001. I met my wife, Lisa, in 2002 and we have three great kids ages 6,9 and 11. Our children are very active in soccer, basketball, reading and learning musical instruments. I am very grateful to my employer, Burns and McDonnell, for letting me have the time to serve as APWA President in 2018. They have been a wonderful employer for almost 9 years. Currently, I serve as a project manager for design build roadway projects.

Now that you know about me, here is what I would like to push for in 2018. And with that I want to keep it very simple. We are going to be very busy in 2018 and I have chosen to concentrate on two initiatives:

- Hosting a Successful 2018 PWX
- Take our existing chapter events from Good to Great

Hosting a Successful 2018 PWX – It has been 12 years since we last hosted this event. Lucky for us, we have many members that are still active today that were involved in 2006. Three years ago, we were successful in bringing this event to our doorsteps. KC has a lot to offer that we didn't have in 2006 including: Sprint Center, KC Power and Light District, Kaufmann Performing Arts Center and all of the development in the downtown area as a result of the KC Streetcar! We are a world class city and 2018 is our year to shine.

Good to Great – We have significant opportunities in 2018 to improve our capacity as a chapter to be inclusive to all members. In 2018, I really want to improve on creating events that bring together government employees and the consultant community. With the executive committee and committee chairs in 2018 we will be on the lookout for opportunities to cross sell events to both membership groups.

We could not be the successful chapter we are without the continued involvement of our over 750 chapter members. So, if you are new to APWA or even if you have been in-active in the past, I ask that you please consider making 2018 your time to be a part of one of the most successful APWA chapters in the United States and Canada. We can't do it without you!



DELEGATE DETAILS

FROM JOE JOHNSON

As we begin the New Year I want to take this opportunity to thank all those that volunteer their time to the Chapter. I want to encourage all members to look at the many committees within the Chapter and pick one that interests you and volunteer your time. You will not regret it.

As we start 2018, the PWX Management Committee is in high gear preparing for the 2018 PWX here in Kansas City. Committees are hard at working finalizing their tasks and determining the number of volunteers they need for the event. The volunteer committee is working on updating the membership volunteer website to gather all the information needed as we move closer to August. An email will be sent to all those that have already volunteered to update their information. Notice will also be sent to the rest of the membership for those that have not volunteered to sign up. It will take approximately 400 volunteers for this event.



Fundraising is going well, we could use a couple more firms to make pledges or maybe sponsor an event or item. So, don't be surprised if you get a phone call in the next 2 months. If you are interested, please contact Rob Krewson at rob.krewson@hdrinc.com. We look forward to working with all of you in making this one of the best events. If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

National will be hosting a "Membership 101" webinar at 2:00 p.m. (Central Time) on Tuesday January 23. This webinar is an excellent opportunity for all chapter chairs and membership committee members to get a complete understanding of the membership process. Those participating in the webinar will learn how to find and make use of the various membership reports, and hear of Best Practices from other chapters. Participants will also be able to ask questions through the one-hour program. For more information, contact Brad Patterson at bpatterson@apwa.net or 816-595-5263 or to register, contact Rhonda Wilhite at rwilhite@apwa.net or 800-848-2792 (ex. 5261).

Here is a list of APWA National Conferences through 2019:

1. 2018 Snow Conference is being held in Indianapolis, IN. May 6-9
2. 2018 PWX in Kansas City, MO. August 26-29
3. 2019 Snow Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah. May 19-22
4. 2019 PWX in Seattle, Washington. September 8 – 11

February 1-2, National is hosting the 2018 Winter Meeting in Kansas City. Part of the time includes the Council of Chapters meeting to review the progress of the committees and look at other topics. If there is an item you feel the Council of Chapters need to look into, please let me know.

At this year's holiday party, the election of the new executive committee included the addition of Bill Stogsdill as Alternate Delegate to assist with duties of the Delegate. In the future you will hear from Bill also. As always, if you have an item that you want to bring before the Chapter or National, just let me or Bill know. We are here to assist you in that process.

TECHNO MINUTE

FROM JOSE LEON

Does your department have a set of values? You know, those nice 5 words someone chose to write down and say these words describe this department. Perhaps your department even has pictures to go with each word to help an individual understand what you mean by Customer Service. I often wonder how much time we take as leaders in our departments communicating the importance of our values. If you are like me, then you helped develop your department values from scratch. I will admit that it took me a while to understand that I needed to make more intentional efforts to keep the values at the forefront of my departments mind. I believe our values are written rules, or maybe unwritten rules, for success. Integrity, Customer Service, Adaptability, High Expectations, and Dedication are actions.



(Left) Daniel Vandebos and (Right) Ron Harper prepare to crack seal Roeland Park Streets. An unwritten value in Roeland Park PW is to have fun.

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These are not just nice words that should be displayed and never really discussed. We should provide our employees an opportunity to understand this and that opportunity should not only come when it is in disciplinary situations, or those hard conversations. We should be intentional about teaching our staff the importance of these words we live by in our departments.

What I have learned is a system of intentional moments can provide significant worth to your employees. For me, I take new employees to lunch and we talk about them. I want the new employee to know I care about their career, I ask about their family, and I let them know I care about their experience here in Public Works. It is important to remember this individual trusted you with their livelihood. You might think I am learning so much about this person on their first day, but in truth I have understood this moment to be a learning experience for the new employee as they are learning about me. We talk about the values in our department and I am transparent about the expectation to follow the values as they will lead to a successful experience. This whole moment is setting the expectation for any future events that might take place after the first day.

During our monthly staff meetings I ask my staff members to pick a value and show me how they have seen this value play out in the last month. I ask them to explain specific situations with one rule, you cannot talk about yourself. I can remember the first time I did this, it was complete silence and no one said anything. It was me that started picking a value and explaining how I watched this value play out in some specific situation. The next meeting would be very similar but then came the third meeting and that is when I had another staff member choose a value and speak about it. The following meeting I had more people participate, and now we are well into this experience with my staff so they know this is how we start each team meeting. The impact this has had is immeasurable. My team, whether they realize it or not, have learned to recognize each other and as they speak, they are voicing the importance of our values.

After an employee's first day, there is no such thing as a common experience. Everyone has their own and we as leaders in the department get to watch and observe the employee succeed as we have hoped, or fail. But what we should really be paying attention to is how much of what the employee is doing aligns with the departments values. You can bet that your other staff members are watching this as well. They are watching for consistency and confirmation of your word to be true in your evaluation of their performance. The values are not only actions that we judge our employees on, they are actions our employees judge us on. Day to day tasks are always opportunities for our staff members to exhibit themselves in the manner we expect, but if they do not and the actions call for disciplinary moments, then I have found it important to reinforce the values we discussed on the first day and every month thereafter. At the moment we need to discipline an employee with warnings, suspensions, or even termination I bring the values into the discussion. I remind the employee that these are important in the department and I even take time to explain which value they chose to ignore, as it relates to this very moment. Sure you can use your personnel policy, and I would strongly recommend you do, but the values are your employees guide. I am willing to bet if I asked my employees to quote the personnel policy they would struggle, but if I asked them to tell me our departments values they would do well. You might find this to be true in your department as well.

Whether we have realized it or not, our department's values are being played out through actions day in and day out. Our values are the air we breathe in our departments. They provide a significant resource by which our staff moves, thinks, and acts. I would encourage you to find a way to communicate your department values and hold yourself accountable to them so your staff learns the importance of those words through your actions. Communicating the values should be an intentional effort on our part as leaders because if it is not, why do we have them?

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

KC Metro Chapter Committee Needs

Looking for a way to get involved in APWA? The Chapter has several opportunities to choose from with over 30 active committees. Please contact the committee chair listed directly. Committee information can be found on the website: www.kcmetro.apwa.net.

RECENT EVENTS

KC Metro Chapter Holiday Party— Tuesday, December 12th

The Chapter Holiday Party was held on Tuesday, December 12th at 2016 Main Event Space in Kansas City. There were approximately 115 people in attendance to celebrate the holiday season. Recognitions and awards were distributed throughout the evening followed by a Keynote address from Jill M. Marilley, PWLF, President-Elect. The awards included:

Public Works Excellence Award - Cheryl Carner, City of Overland Park

Field Supervisor Excellence Award - Donnie Scharff, City of Roeland Park

Lifetime Memberships - Steven Hansen, Mike Tobin, Joe Johnson, Anthony O'Malley, and Gary Beck

Fourteen of this year's 32 Public Works Institutes, accompanied by 12 guests, attended this year's Holiday Party and received their graduation certificates and an etched glass desk plaque recognizing their achievement. Their department director or designee accepted an APWA publication as a gift for supporting the graduates during their PWI attendance. Some of the graduates recognized are shown in the following photos:



Fairway PWI Graduates Abbie Aldridge, Rick Allen and Chuck Aldridge (second, third and fourth from left) along with their Public Works Director Bill Stogsdill and City Administrator Nathan Nogelmeier were recognized by Chapter President Rob Krewson and PWI Director Larry Frevert



Lenexa PWI Graduates Oscar Banuelos, Terri Dexter, Randy Sellers, Ted Semadeni, Chip Voigts and David Wright (beginning fourth from left and then left to right) along with their Municipal Service Director Nick Arena (second from left) were recognized by Chapter President Rob Krewson and PWI Director Larry Frevert

The Ken Cardwell Heart of America Award for 2017 was presented to Doug Wesselschmidt of the City of Shawnee by last year's recipient, Chuck Williams. The evening concluded with the installation of the 2018 officers and door prizes.

Thank you again to our sponsors. Affinis, BHC Rhodes, Burns & McDonnell, City of Leawood, GBA, HG Consult, HDR, HNTB, Olsson Associates, Shockey Consulting, TranSystems, TREKK Design Group, and Walter P. Moore.

NEW MEMBERS

Vincent Billaci, Unified Government of Wyandotte/Kansas City, KS

Lauren Rae Grubbs, Burns & McDonnell

Sarah Jones, City of Grandview

Charles William McAllister, GBA

Jack C. Renfro, HNTB

Troy Shaw, Unified Government of Wyandotte/Kansas City, KS

Jeff Sims, Wilson & Company

COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

APWA 2018 AWARDS

Does your city or company have a project, employee or program that might be deserving of some special recognition? Please consider nominating outstanding individuals, programs and projects for an APWA award as described below.

Award guidelines and award nomination forms are available at: https://www.apwa.net/MYAPWA/About/Awards/Awards_Criteria_Forms/ApwaResponsive/Apwa_Public/About/Awards_Criteria_and_Forms.aspx?hkey=2274b652-8804-4c62-b59a-661b66d9f13c

1. Completed **nomination forms** are due by Friday, **January 26, 2018**. This is NOMINATION FORMS ONLY.
2. Completed **application packages** are due by Monday, **February 5, 2018**. Each application package shall be **one PDF** file and limited to 5MB.
3. **Snow and Ice nominations must be submitted by Jan 12, 2018 and the package received by the awards committee chair by January 19, 2018 for a February 5, 2018 national deadline (per the APWA Awards website).**

Please e-mail nomination forms and application packages to Becky Bonebrake and Zach Matteo at awardsapwa@gmail.com.

Please read the awards announcement below for details and contact Becky Bonebrake and Zach Matteo at awardsapwa@gmail.com with any questions. A summary of the changes to the Awards Criteria for 2018 is available at: https://www.apwa.net/MYAPWA/About/Awards/MyApwa/Apwa_Public/About/Awards.aspx?hkey=fc7361ea-1f80-492f-a41a-98620053a187

A managing agency may submit no more than 1 project per category and division. The KC Metro Chapter Awards Committee shall evaluate the applications in February and shall **select one project per category and division to win a chapter level award. Chapter level award winners will be submitted to APWA National prior to the March 1, 2018 national deadline. These projects will be the official projects sponsored by the KC Metro Chapter.**

Chapter level non-winners may still submit their project to APWA National prior to the **March 1, 2018** deadline for consideration of a national level award, but the project will not be sponsored by the KC Metro Chapter.

Public Works Project of the Year Award

Public Works Project of the Year	<p>Purpose: The APWA Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects.</p> <p>Awards are given in four divisions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">A. Projects less than \$5 millionB. Projects of \$5 million, but less than \$25 millionC. Projects of \$25 million to \$75 millionD. Projects more than \$75 million <p>and five categories:</p> <p>Structures—to include public structure preservation/rehabilitation, municipal buildings, parks, etc.</p> <p>Transportation—to include roads, bridges, mass transit, etc.</p> <p>Environment—to include treatment and recycling facilities, landfill reclamation projects, sewer projects, etc.</p> <p>Historical Restoration/Preservation—to include historical restoration, preservation and adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, and facilities, etc.</p> <p>Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair—to include the techniques and timing for safety, community relations, environmental protection, adverse conditions and additional considerations.</p> <p>Eligibility: Public works is defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned, and maintained by public agencies to house governmental functions and provide water, power, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services in accordance with established public policy.</p> <p>To be eligible for nomination, a project must have been “substantially completed” and available for public and/or agency use within two calendar years prior to nomination. If a project has multiple phases or segments, then “substantially completed” will be construed as that point when the final phase or segment is 90% completed and available for public and/or agency use.</p> <p>A project may only be nominated once for recognition as “Project of the Year” under any category.</p>
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<p>Public Works Project of the Year for Small Cities/Rural Communities</p>	<p>Purpose: A new award created in 2013 for agencies from cities or counties with a populations of 75,000 or less to promote excellence in demonstrating creativity, ingenuity, and efficiency in the delivery of Public Works projects that have a profound impact on the community. The award does not have a fixed dollar amount and can include, but is not limited to, the following categories: structures, environmental, historic preservation, emergency response, or transportation projects that have created a positive impact on the life of the community.</p> <p>The award is giving for impact in the community as compared to a dollar amount. The categories which could be included are:</p> <p>Structures—to include public structure preservation/rehabilitation, municipal buildings, parks, etc.</p> <p>Transportation—to include roads, bridges, mass transit, etc.</p> <p>Environment—to include treatment and recycling facilities, landfill reclamation projects, sewer projects, etc.</p> <p>Historical Restoration/Preservation—to include historical restoration, preservation and adaptive reuse of existing buildings, structures, and facilities, etc.</p> <p>Disaster or Emergency Construction/Repair—to include the techniques and timing for safety, community relations, environmental protection, adverse conditions and additional considerations.</p> <p>Eligibility: Public works is defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned, and maintained by public agencies to house governmental functions and provide water, power, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services in accordance with established public policy.</p> <p>To be eligible for nomination, a project must have been “substantially completed” and available for public and/or agency use within two calendar years prior to nomination. If a project has multiple phases or segments, then “substantially completed” will be construed as that point when the final phase or segment is 90% completed and available for public and/or agency use.</p> <p>A project may only be nominated a maximum of one time for the award in any category.</p>
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MEMBERS AWARDS:

The following awards require nominees be APWA members in good standing.

<p>Community Involvement Award</p>	<p>Purpose: To recognize public works leaders who are also leaders in their community. To encourage public works professionals to become active leaders in their community. To ensure public trust in public works professionals through recognition of outstanding community leadership.</p> <p>Eligibility: Candidates must be an active member of APWA, be an active leader in the community (through volunteering significant time and/or personal resources to work with charitable organizations, educational organizations, community service groups and/or participating in significant community projects or programs which improve the quality of life in the community.) Address how the nominee’s community service contributions had an impact on implementing sustainable solution, environmentally, economically and socially.</p>
<p>Charles Walter Nichols Award for Environmental Excellence</p>	<p>Purpose: This award was established in 1951 by Charles Walter Nichols of Nichols Engineering Research Corporation to recognize outstanding and meritorious achievement in the environmental field in its broadest sense. This may include, but is not limited to, street sanitation, refuse collection, disposal and recycling, sewers and sewage treatment, water supply, and water treatment.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members and employed full-time by a public agency</p>
<p>Distinguished Service to Public Works Award</p>	<p>Purpose: Established in 1935, as the Honorary Membership Award, this honor is regarded as the highest APWA honor. This award may be presented in recognition of acknowledged service and well-established preeminence in the field of public works, and/or contributions of special merit and benefit to APWA. Board members and past presidents of APWA must be out of office at least five years before being eligible for this award.</p> <p>Eligibility: APWA membership is required and candidates must have a minimum of 10 years continuous membership. National Board members and past presidents of APWA must be out of office at least five years before being eligible for this award. Candidates may be nominated by a chapter or any one or more of the APWA Board of Directors/</p>
<p>Donald C. Stone Award for Excellence in Education</p>	<p>Purpose: This award has a category for individuals and chapters. It was established to recognize outstanding and meritorious achievement of individuals or chapters for their work in delivering educational opportunities for all levels of persons engaged in the delivery of public works services as well as assisting in the areas of continuing and graduate professional education for public works professionals.</p> <p>Eligibility: This award recognizes both individuals and chapters. Individual candidates must be APWA members and chapter candidates must have active educational programs. Any active APWA member may nominate.</p>
<p>Harry S. Swearingen Award for Outstanding Chapter Achievement and Excellence in Chapter Service</p>	<p>Purpose: Established in 1958 to perpetuate the memory of Harry S. Swearingen (1900-1957), who worked persistently on behalf of APWA and its mission. A career employee of the City of Los Angeles, Swearingen was an active member of the Southern California Chapter. This award is presented in three separate categories; outstanding individual, corporate and public agency for achievement at the chapter level that support APWA’s strategic plan, goals and objectives through dedicated and longstanding contributions to the chapter.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual, corporate or public agency candidates must be members of APWA. An individual member candidate can be a public or private sector member.</p>

International Service Award	<p>Purpose: Established by the APWA International Affairs Committee, the APWA International Service Award recognizes an APWA member who has furthered the cause of international understanding and cooperation by becoming actively involved in exchanges, establishing a relationship with a public works entity from another country or providing outstanding public works service on an international basis.</p> <p>Eligibility: Must be an active member of APWA. Provide a demonstrated record of international public works related service over a significant period of one's professional career including, but not limited to, promoting sustainable practices through international partnerships by encouraging smart growth policies, updating water treatment facilities, introducing innovative use of energy sources, etc. Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to building international relationships and fostering international understanding through public works service. Members of the APWA Board of Directors, International Affairs Committee, International Sub-Committee, or international partnership task forces are not eligible during their term of service.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Administrative Management	<p>Purpose: Recognizes outstanding achievement in the area of Administration within the Public Works Department.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Engineering and Technology	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of engineering and technology professionals.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years' experience whose primary responsibility is management of public works engineering and technology management.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Facilities and Grounds	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of facilities and/or grounds management professionals. Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members with primary responsibility in the management of public facilities and grounds and minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Public Fleet	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of public fleet management professionals with the award's primary focus on exceptional leadership and management of public sector fleets.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members whose primary responsibility is in the management of a public works fleet and minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Public Right-Of-Way	<p>Purpose: The Public Right-of-Way Manager of the Year award seeks to inspire excellence and dedication the public sector by recognizing the outstanding career service achievements of public right-of-way professionals. The primary focus of this award is the management of the public rights-of-way, which demonstrates that all stakeholders share the public rights-of-way in harmony and preserve them in the best interest of the public.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years public right-of-way management experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Public Works Emergency Management	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of public works emergency management professionals.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years' experience in a public works supervisory or management role.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Solid Waste	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of solid waste management professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional management, operation, and maintenance of public sector solid waste operations.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Transportation	<p>Purpose: Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of public transportation professionals. The primary focus of this award is recognition of exceptional leadership and management by an individual through a significant transportation related project or program.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>
Professional Manager of the Year Water Resources	<p>Purpose: To recognize outstanding accomplishments or achievements by individuals providing management in the field of water resources and whose contributions have had a positive impact on the profession of Public Works.</p> <p>Eligibility: Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.</p>

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS:

The following awards DO NOT require APWA membership.

The intent of these awards is to focus beyond membership into the profession of public works.

Commendation for Exemplary Service to Public Works	<p>Purpose: To recognize a non-member of APWA who is an elected government service leader for their far-reaching, positive impact on local, state or national public works programs, services, or policies through exemplary public service and commitment. This award particularly recognizes leadership in furthering the mission and goals of APWA.</p> <p>Eligibility: Non-members of APWA who are recognized leaders that have made a positive impact or significant contribution to the public works field. Candidates may be any elected official from local, state or federal government.</p>
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Excellence in Snow and Ice Control Award	<p>Purpose: Established to promote excellence in the management and administration of Public Works Snow and Ice operations. To promote the best practices in snow and ice removal while minimizing environmental impacts. This nomination must be submitted by Jan 12, 2018 and the package received by the awards committee chair by Jan 19, 2018 for a February 5, 2018 national deadline (per the APWA Awards website).</p> <p>Eligibility: Any public works agency actively involved in snow and ice removal and operations. Public works is defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned and maintained by public agencies to house governmental functions and provide water, power, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services, in accordance with established public policy. APWA membership is not required. No sitting member of the subcommittee or the member's respective agency shall be eligible for the award. No previous award winner shall be considered for a repeat award for a period less than five years. All previous award winners will need to clearly demonstrate and will be judged on the continuous improvement of their snow and ice control program as it relates to improvements in technology, equipment, and service since they received their last award.</p>
Exceptional Performance Award	<p>Purpose: A series of awards to recognize exceptional performance in individuals, teams, or organizations in the areas of Adversity, Diversity, Journalism (non-chapter), Journalism (chapter), Safety and Sustainability whose outstanding contributions in the course of performance raises the level of the public works profession.</p> <p>Eligibility: Candidates may be an individual, team, or group of individuals or organizations meeting the purpose of the award. APWA membership is not required. When documenting your Exceptional Performance Award in Adversity, Diversity, Journalism, Safety or Sustainability, please include and address any sustainable practices or solutions. Only APWA chapters can submit for the Exceptional Performance Award in Journalism (chapter). All nominated publications and broadcast mediums must have been originally printed within the last two years,</p>
Management Innovation Award	<p>Purpose: To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, management and implementation of a creative idea, program, process, or system that enhances the delivery of public works services to the public. A management Innovation is defined as a procedure such as a system, program or process.</p> <p>Eligibility: Anyone actively involved in the public works profession is eligible. APWA membership is not required.</p>
Technical Innovation Award	<p>Purpose: To recognize an individual, team, or organization for the development, or implementation of a creative idea, device, process, or system that enhances the delivery of public works services to the public. A technical innovation involves materials, design and equipment such as pinch valves, a carbon fiber reinforced bridge, etc.</p> <p>Eligibility: Anyone actively involved in the public works profession is eligible. APWA membership is not required.</p>

Become a PWX Booster!



2018 PWX
 2018 APWA Public Works eXpo
 August 26-29, 2018
 Kansas City, MO Convention Center
 Kansas City Metro – Host Chapter
 Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska – Partner Chapters

Contact:
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BOOSTER LEVEL & BENEFITS	DIAMOND \$?????	EMERALD \$15,000 +	PLATINUM \$10,000 +	GOLD \$7,500 +	SILVER \$5,000 +	BRONZE \$2,500 +
Customize your own promotional package - let us know what you have in mind!	✓					
___ Tickets to attend reception for Local Officials and recognition for your Agency. Agency Logo displayed at event.	?	8	4			
"Local Booster" recognition at the Get Acquainted Party at Power & Light, largest event at PWX	?	✓	✓	✓		
"Enhanced Signage" recognition at PWX Locations TBD	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Special Recognition at 2018 PWX KC Metro Chapter Dinner	?	✓	✓	✓	✓	
___ passes to Get Acquainted Party at 2018 PWX	?	10	8	6	4	2
___ tickets to Chapter Dinner at 2018 PWX	?	8	6	4	3	2
___ day passes to the Exhibit Hall during PWX	?	40	30	20	15	10
___ day parking passes during 2018 PWX	?	20	15	10	7	5
"Local Booster" ribbons for your PWX attendees	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
"Local Booster" recognition in the official PWX program	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Agency Listing on onsite PWX "Booster" recognition signage	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Agency Logo in PubNews (up to 12 issues)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Agency Logo and link on 2018 PWX Host website	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
"Local Booster" Gift	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

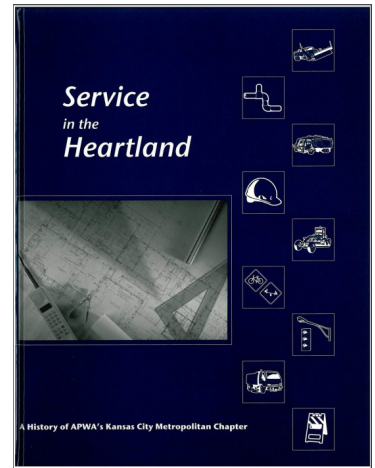
PWX Registrations (Full or Single Day) are NOT included in any Booster Levels.

Service in the Heartland

The Historical Committee along with a group of past presidents are updating the Service in the Heartland!

They're working on gathering information to **start volume II** and are requesting materials from 2001 to the current day! Examples would be photos, programs, correspondence, or if someone has a story to tell that would add to our Chapter History.

Want to help or have useful information, please contact [Ernie Longoria](#).



Spread the word about your good works!

Has your organization volunteered time or provided resources to help out others? If you'd like to highlight your outreach event, send information to the Pub News editor, Caitlin Gard, via e-mail: cgard@cityofshawnee.org. Photos are encouraged.

Like KC Metro Chapter APWA on Facebook

To receive the most up to date information about recent and upcoming events and network with other KC Metro Chapter APWA members, like us on Facebook! Just login and search for "KC Metro Chapter APWA"!



We are looking for photos for the website picture reel!

Please submit photos you would like us to consider to [Matthew Schmitz](#) or [Caitlin Gard](#).

Photos must be APWA related, un-cropped, and high-resolution.

Have ideas for the webpage? Contact our new webmaster!

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INTERESTED IN WRITING FOR THE APWA PUB NEWS?

The Pub News staff welcomes announcements, news articles, photos and suggestions. A new issue will be published in March. The deadline for the next issue will be Friday, February 23, 2018. Deadlines will be strictly enforced. Electronic formats are preferred, but not required. Send your stories to Caitlin Gard via email to cgard@cityofshawnee.org.

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It shall be the policy of the KC Metro Chapter that the use of the "APWA Pub News, Website and Electronic Mailing List" by outside agencies shall abide by the following:

- Outside agencies, educational institutions, and not-for-profit organizations may utilize the Chapter's website for dissemination of approved items that are considered beneficial to our membership.
- Approval of these items may be granted by the Chapter President, the Newsletter Editor and the Website Committee. When requested, announcements from other organizations may be posted on the Chapter's website under "News" if the Newsletter/Communications Committee is provided electronic announcements in a format that can be posted without modification or editing.
- The Newsletter/Communications Committee may use the chapter's electronic mailing list for announcements to KC Metro Chapter members when the topic is related to an APWA activity or event. However, an announcement will not be sent before the Chapter event has been posted on the KC Metro Chapter website.

This policy was approved by the Executive Committee on November 19, 2008.

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