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President's Message

By Mike Bisset, City of McMinnville Community Development Director

Summer is upon us, and I hope that it finds you well. It's certainly been an interesting last few months -- that in many ways to me have seemed to last an eternity. At the same time I am struck by the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic is only a few months old, and it is new enough that no one has all of the answers right now.

Our communities are facing new challenges, and the public works community continues to be on the front line stepping up to address those challenges. As we've always done, we're doing our best to quickly adapt to the changing world. We're adjusting our workplace practices and behaviors to protect our employees and our citizens, and we're ensuring that our important and essential work is continuing to get done. Water continues to flow; sewage is getting treated; roadways are open (albeit with noticeably less traffic for the time being!); open spaces are being maintained; and projects are being designed and constructed.

As public works professionals, we continue to provide the vital services our communities and citizens need in these uncertain times. Thank you for that work, it is important!

Regarding the Oregon APWA Chapter, the Board has continued to work on your behalf. Earlier this month, the chapter's 2019/2020 finances were audited by a committee including Gregg Weston (3J Consulting), Shannon Williams (Keller Associates Inc.), and Tim Blackwood (Pali Consulting, Inc.). The committee found that the Chapter's financial records were in good order, and they credited Maggie Vohs (Cameo Management Solutions), Tony Roos (2019 Chapter Treasurer) and John Lewis (2020 Chapter Treasurer) for their attention to detail and care in handling the Chapter's finances.

At our July 10th meeting, the Board reviewed and approved the Chapter's 2020/2021 budget. While the last minute cancellations of the spring events had a significant impact on the Chapter's finances, I am happy to report that the Chapter remains on solid financial ground. We are starting the budget year with approximately \$85,000 in the Chapter bank accounts, and the board is committed to ensuring that the Chapter remains financially stable moving forward....

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.... Unfortunately, I must also report that at our July 10th meeting the Board determined that we are unable to hold our planned in-person events in Pendleton (Fall Conference) and Hood River (Street Maintenance & Collection Systems School) this fall. You may have participated in the survey regarding the events that we sent out to members in June. The results of the survey were valuable and mixed – with plenty of support for either holding or cancelling the events. Ultimately the Board’s decision was heavily influenced by guidance we received from National APWA strongly recommending the cancellation of large in-person gatherings this fall.

Note that we are currently evaluating the viability of continuing with the planned Public Works Leadership and Public Works Essentials classes planned for November and December. We’ll get information out to members as soon as we can once decisions are made regarding those events.

We understand that the cancellations are disappointing, and we very much appreciate the work that had already taken place planning for those events. The Chapter Education Committee and Board remain committed to providing meaningful educational opportunities to our members. To that end, we are exploring options for virtual events this fall. If you have ideas, or are interested in helping, please reach out to a Board member or to Education Committee Chair Jenifer Willer (City of Eugene).

Lastly, I encourage you to take advantage of the educational opportunities that National APWA is providing with your membership. In August, PWX@Home will be launched, and it will include over a hundred online education sessions, exhibits, and networking opportunities presented by topic throughout 2020-2021. You can find more information on the National APWA website.

Until next time, stay safe, be well and have a great summer!

Mike Bisset
2020 Oregon Chapter President

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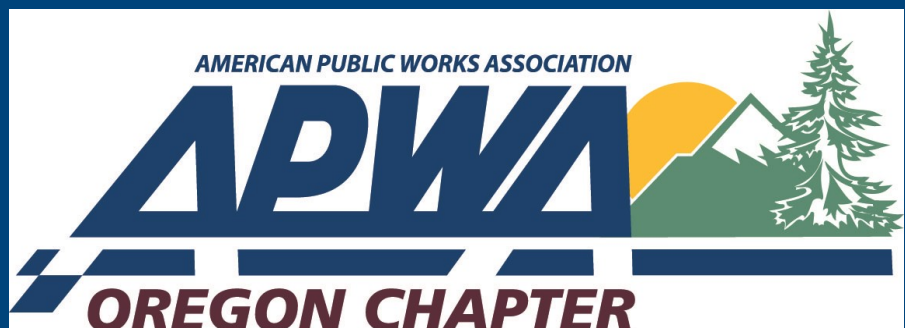
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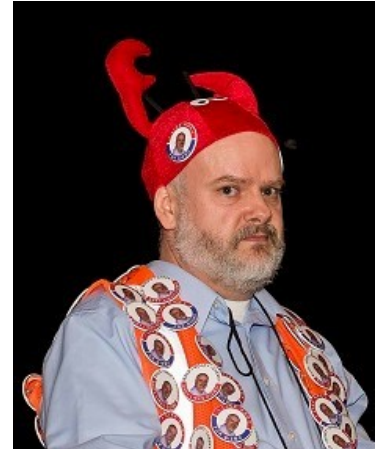
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Chapter Committee Spotlight

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The Awards Committee Recognizes Excellent People and Projects

By Krey Younger

Awards and the award submission process is an excellent way for public works leaders to engage peers, citizens, mayors, and council members. The Oregon APWA Awards Committee strives to provide a fair and transparent process for submitting and scoring nominations for Oregon APWA awards. When awards are submitted, the awards chair is responsible for conducting a high-level completion review, organizing awards into categories, and informing the submitter of receipt. Award review and scoring is then the responsibility of the awards committee. Committee members are required to review all awards and recuse themselves in the event of a conflict of interest. The award committee is responsible for four award categories: everyday heroes, young leader, communications, and projects of the year.

Awards Committee Chair

The Everyday Hero program recognizes public works employees who are identified by their peers or customers for providing good customer service (responsive, consistent, courteous), making the best use of public resources (efficient, innovative), helping co-workers succeed (assistance, cooperation, solution oriented), and being a great person to work with (friendly, respectful). The Everyday Hero Award is an excellent way to show your local public works staff how important they are to the organization's success!

The Young Leader Award program recognizes and encourages young APWA members who have demonstrated an initial commitment to the profession and the association, and show potential for future growth and leadership. The award promotes the concept that length of career does not necessarily indicate leadership abilities or potential for service. Young Leader Award looks to our bright future!

Established in 2016, the Oregon Chapter Communications Award, also called the "Bulldog Award," was created in honor of the inaugural recipient: Eric "Bulldog" Jones. The award recognizes individuals who are distinguished in the public works field for communication skills or techniques that bring awareness or educate the public and/or the profession about public works or public works communications. Quality communication both internally and externally are key to the chapter's success!

Project of the Year awards are separated into four categories: transportation, environmental, structures, and disaster/emergency. Within each category are four subcategories based on total project cost. Awards are scored on a 3-point scale for construction, safety, environmental, community relationships, and unusual accomplishments. Total score of all categories is used to decide a winner. In the event of a tie, the awards chair engages the chapter president and president-elect for the deciding vote. Oregon APWA members create amazing projects every day!

The 2020 award applications are due August 15! Submit applications today!

The Awards Committee is always looking for ways to engage chapter members to improve recognition and further the public's knowledge regarding the many interesting and heroic projects and deeds. Please feel free to contact Krey Younger (kyounger@geodesigninc.com), awards committee chair, if you have any concerns, questions, or suggestions.

Current Awards Committee members are:

Mike Ward, Matt MacRostie, Jake Johnson, Cedomir Jesic, Nicolas McMurtrey, Dayna Webb, John Lewis, Tony Roos, and Laurie Allen. The board liaison is Chase Welborn and the committee chair is Krey Younger.

Salem, OR, has one of the 50 Top Fleets

By Brian Richardson, City of Eugene

& Jim Schmidt, City of Salem

At first glance of fleet honors, it's hard to ignore the obvious: organizations across Oregon care about their fleets. Several national programs recognize and reward peak-performing fleet operations. In 2020, two programs identified six organizations in Oregon on their lists of top fleets.

"It is an honor to be recognized as a Leading Fleet," said Salem Fleet Manager Jim Schmidt. Salem was a 2020 Top 50 fleet honored by Government Fleet Magazine. "The City of Salem Fleet Services Division has undergone extensive changes over the last two years," Schmidt said. "We have developed a great team of individuals who are passionate about their work. It is this passion that has driven the change and our performance indicators are starting to reflect these positive changes. The award is positive feedback that we are on the right track."

Six organizations in Oregon were recognized by Top 100 Fleets of the Americas 2020 rankings. The City of Eugene has made the list 13 times, and this year's #5 ranking was its highest yet. Also on the list: Washington County, Benton County, Eugene Water and Electric Board, City of Hillsboro, and City of Salem.

"This is a great honor and shows the commitment and dedication of our team," said Richard Perry, Eugene's Fleet and Radio Communications Manager. "We work hard to support our people, use effective data-driven solutions always focused on being productive, and effective, while incorporating the latest trends in the fleet industry."

While the organizations are humbled by the recognition, they recognize there is still plenty of work to do.

"The technology in new vehicles and equipment are advancing faster than we can train our technicians. Each year more software and diagnostic tools are needed to diagnose and repair vehicle issues," Schmidt said. "We have recently made investments in Ford STARS training and diagnostic software as Fords make up a third of our on-road fleet. The specialty equipment in our Fleet presents a challenge as the cost of software does not have enough ROI; for these repairs we rely on our vendors."



City of Salem Fleet Staff pictured above

On the Cover

Connecting During Covid-19

By Sarah Terry, ODOT, Communications Committee

& By Brian Richardson, City of Eugene, Communications Committee



The Covid-19 Pandemic has hit the world in so many ways. The Oregon APWA Chapter has taken the circumstances, adapted to the environment, and has begun to overcome the challenges.

The Board of Directors is still holding their monthly meetings. They are discussing how they can continue learning and professional development throughout the state. They are exploring ways they can deliver services to all Oregon APWA Members in a way that does not put them in any risk. These discussions are revealing opportunities that could lead to more efficient and innovative ways

of delivering these services.

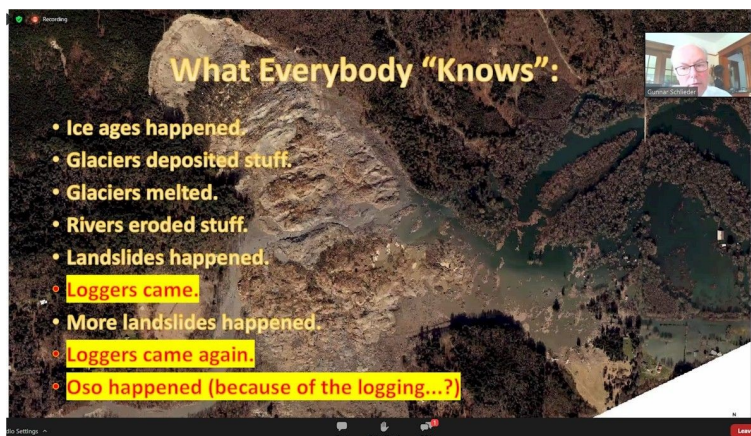
While some iconic events have been transformed, such as the beloved National Conference, PWX, they are not dissolved completely. This is attributed to the perseverance and dedication of APWA Members. The National PWX Conference will now be held virtually. There are new classes and topics being introduced monthly through June of 2021. For more information on how you can connect virtually at PWX, visit www.apwa.net.

The Oregon Chapter is taking it leagues further and is now offering Brown Bag Luncheons via Zoom. These events are still producing the same great content, delivered from trusted and reliable professionals, in an engaging manner. Showing your face is not required, but is highly encouraged. Topics are changing each month. These events are available statewide, and are being organized by both the Eugene local luncheon chapter, as well as the Portland parent chapter. For more information on how you can participate in the next Brown Bag Luncheon, visit our events page here: <http://oregon.apwa.net/PageDetails/23018>

Virtual Luncheon goes Viral

While the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted when and how we get together, our curiosity and willingness to share will not be slowed. On July 1, the Willamette Valley Luncheon Committee held its first ever virtual luncheon.

“The Luncheons are cherished opportunities for us to get together and learn,” said Brian Richardson, Committee Chair. “While we can’t safely get together in person, we still feel it’s important that we can meet virtually and share many of the great projects from around the state and region.”



The first luncheon was held on the virtual meeting platform Zoom. The topic, which was originally scheduled for April, was Oso – the last 45,000 years. Presenter Gunnar Schlieder, who passed away recently, provided an interpretation of the late Pleistocene and Holocene periods at the site of the deadliest landslide in U.S. history. This history was developed from surficial observations and an ambitious sub-surface exploration program involving 14 drilling locations, many with dual bore-hole installations. The presentation is available online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ChtfyIJGHLA>.

“These innovative approaches help the chapter meet its goals, particularly in the area of training and professional development,” said chapter Board Member Doug Singer. “We’re working on new ways to do things that in the long run will help our chapter deliver services better and more efficiently.” The luncheon committee would love to host more meetings and is always looking for more presentation ideas. If you have a presentation that you would like to give, please email brichardson@eugene-or.gov.

Photo: Laurie Allen takes a selfie with her best friend, The Gizmo



Meet A Scholarship Recipient

By Eric Jones, APWA
Scholastic Foundation

The Oregon APWA Scholastic Foundation has awarded 246 scholarship totaling \$365,700 since 1981. For the 2019 school year, 18 scholarships totaling \$30,000 were awarded. Rest assured that Laurie Allen, chair of the chapter's Scholarship Committee, is hot on the trail of a new group of students for the 2020 round of scholarships.

Each year we ask recipients to share their stories with the chapter's members, whose generous contributions make all this possible. Below, four 2019-2020 recipients share their stories. And speaking of stories, how about Laurie Allen and the Gizmo! You may recall that Laurie "won" the Golden Knuckle Award at the fall 2019 chapter conference in Hood River (raising more than \$7,500 for scholarships) Due to circumstances beyond anyone's control, Laurie still has the Gizmo, and she's more than ready, willing and able to give it to the next worthy person.



Hunter Rada, Oregon State University, Environmental Engineering, Schut Scholarship

I will be completing a dual major as a civil engineering and wood science student in June 2020. Currently, I am an intern for an architectural woodwork firm doing cost estimating and project management. After completion of my dual bachelor's degrees, I intend to pursue a master's degree in structural engineering with an emphasis on mass timber frames and connections. I have a passion for mass timber construction, and I hope to contribute to the industry as much as possible while it is still being codified.

After graduation, I intend to work as a design engineer or project engineer on mass timber projects while earning my PE and SE. Long term I would like to pursue my own consulting firm that specializes in mass timber modular design.

Thank you to the APWA and the Schut Scholarship for helping me continue my education and supporting a sustainable engineering future!



Daniel Carr, Oregon State University, Civil Engineering Sustainability Ron Polvi Scholarship

This coming academic year, I will be finishing my BS in civil engineering with a minor in sustainability. Also this year, I will be taking courses geared towards a ME in industrial engineering. I have experience in the design and construction phase of projects, and I am hoping to utilize my masters towards a position in project management. Civil engineering has affirmed my strong appreciation for infrastructure and provided me with skills and knowledge to get involved in this industry.

I have many hobbies but to list a few I enjoy spending time with my friends and family (I have 6 siblings!), playing any sort of sport, watching old movies, and fishing.

I cannot accurately express my excitement over this news! As I stated in my application, my financial situation this coming school year is extremely stressful and being told news like this relieves a huge amount of that burden. I would like to thank Dr. Miller for the recommendation, as well as the board for the consideration of such a generous deed. This money will go a long way for me, and drastically helps me in finishing my degree this coming year.

Once again, I would like to thank the APWA for the support that has enabled me to continue my education!

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By Eric Jones, APWA
Scholastic Foundation

For more information about Oregon APWA's scholarship program, including a list of students who have received scholarships, visit the Oregon APWA Scholastic Foundation website at [link](#).



Michael Groome Jr., Portland Community College, Civil Engineering Technology

My name is Michael T. Groome Jr. and I am currently in my second year of the two-year civil engineering technology program at Portland Community College. I'm set to graduate in June 2020.

This is my second time in college. I attended the United States Military Academy at West Point back in 2005, along with Portland State University in 2006, and then Oregon State University until 2009. I majored in geology but did not complete my degree, having to leave due to family issues leading to my father's death. After about eight years out of school, I decided to return, using classes I had completed during my time with geology and pursuing civil engineering technology.

Thank you for the opportunity you have provided me by choosing me as one of this year's APWA scholarship recipients! This scholarship will help me towards completing my degree while trying to survive the cost of rent and groceries in Beaverton.



Vladislav Slivkov, Oregon State University, Civil Engineering

This upcoming fall term, I am going to be continuing my civil engineering degree as a senior at Oregon State University. I am on track to complete my BS in civil engineering in June 2020. I will also be taking courses this year that will count towards my Master of Engineering degree with a focus in structural engineering. Currently, I am working as a student trainee at Bonneville Power Administration. As an intern, I have performed various tasks, from updating an Excel datasheet to designing and detailing a 12-foot bridge to transport large electrical equipment.

After graduation, I plan on working for a structural engineering firm. My dream job would be designing and modifying buildings and bridges in the Northwest to be capable of withstanding an earthquake, that might hit this region soon.

Receiving this scholarship will help me decrease the time I spend working part-time and focus more on my education. In addition, this scholarship motivates me to continue maintaining a good GPA and completing my degree. As a first-generation student, I am sincerely grateful for this scholarship because it is playing a major role in turning my dream into reality.

My hobbies include playing soccer and volleyball with my friends. In addition, I enjoy spending time with my large family (7 siblings) and just playing around with our German shepherd.

Once again, I would like to express sincere gratitude to everyone involved, including Dr. Miller and the Oregon APWA Scholastic Foundation Board, for such a generous donation.

In4All Design Thinking Program

By Sarah Terry, Communications Committee



By Sarah Terry

Construction Program
Assistant, ODOT

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has a variety of ways that it participates in its' local communities. There is one that stands above the rest. In partnership with In4All, a nonprofit organization based in Oregon, ODOT sponsors the Design Thinking and STEM Connect programs. In4All's vision is to change the narrative that tells students for whatever reason, they don't belong. Their mission is to bring local businesses and schools together to provide real-world, hands-on learning experiences that expand opportunities for students that are historically underserved, to engage in their education and aspire to careers in field they might not otherwise consider possible. In4All is mobilizing communities in creating a future of limitless possibilities. In4All programs create learning experiences that impact students at critical times in their K-12. In4All programs impacted 4,000 elementary and middle school students in the 2017-18 school year.

The Design Thinking Program problem connects with middle school students and recognizes that less than half of Oregon 8th graders pass the state math standard. With ability to pass high school algebra the first time being a predictor of high school completion, it is critical to help students connect math to life beyond. Additionally, research suggests that project-based learning increases student interest in key subjects, STEM identity and academic mindsets. Volunteers visit the classroom during math, science or STEAM electives. Dates vary to align with classroom standards, teacher preference and volunteer availability. Ideally volunteers will visit the classroom for approximately 8 sessions and the teacher works with the students before and between sessions. In4All will prepare volunteers and teachers on the Design Thinking process, program and key outcomes and objectives.

The programs key objectives focus on student academic mindsets and STEM identity. Because of the program, In4All expects to see an increase in at least one academic mindset. Data shows the four key beliefs focused on deeply influence the students' behaviors as learners and enable learning success. These mindsets affect motivation, strategy, and perseverance. The academic mindsets are:

- I belong in this learning community.
- I can change my abilities through effort (a growth mindset).
- I can succeed.
- This work has value and purpose for me.

ODOT is working with In4All in Region 1 (Portland) to run a STEM Connect program at Chief Joseph Elementary School for 4th and 5th graders. They also plan for ODOT to take on a Portland area middle school in the 2020-21 school year for Design Thinking. In Region 2, in addition to Parrish Middle School, ODOT also sponsors Four Corners Elementary and Grant Community School. In Region 4, ODOT works with La Pine Elementary and we are planning for ODOT to work with La Pine Middle School too. In Region 5, ODOT runs a STEM Connect program at Greenwood Elementary School in La Grande.

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When I learned about the program, I immediately gravitated towards signing up to volunteer. I am volunteering at Parrish Middle School in Salem. My partner and I have met with our teacher and will begin our first session in a week. I was very engaged in the training and felt as though I was well prepared by my In4All representative. When we met with our teacher, they also were very well prepared and were excited for the partnership. Here in Salem, the students will have a project they've completed at the end of the 8 sessions, and we will display them at the Capitol Rotunda for all to see. My partner and I are enthusiastic about the program and the process. We are very much looking forward to experience what these students are capable of.

For more information on the program or to see how your organization can get involved, e-mail info@in4all.org or call 503-646-0242.

Below are three photos from the 2019 In4All classes in Salem, OR schools.





ODOT ADA Inspector Certification Training goes Virtual

Many organizations have had to adapt and change some business practices very quickly in light of COVID-19 restrictions. The Oregon Department of Transportation Construction Training Program in-person trainings were no exception. Due to new social distancing requirements, we cancelled all construction-related in-person trainings that were scheduled through June 30, 2020.

There was one training, however, that the construction industry told us was crucial; Americans with Disabilities Act Inspector Certification. Due to the multiple ADA projects scheduled in the 2020 construction season and with highway construction considered an essential service, we moved quickly to offer an alternative to classroom training.

ADA Inspector Certification training curriculum has changed considerably over the last year. People who attended certification classes before the end of 2019 no longer had a valid certification. The revamped ADA Certification training began in January with students attending a five hour in-person introductory day, followed by a field training day and finally passing a two hour exam with a score of 80% or higher.

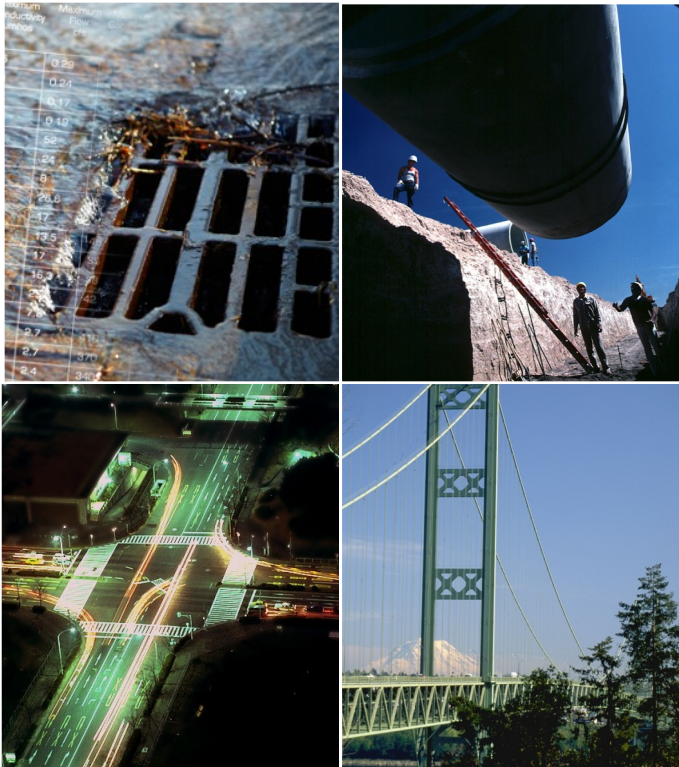
Because ODOT requires all personnel who construct ADA curb ramps and perform ADA inspections to be certified, we knew we had to come up with a solution to replace classroom training. We contracted with HDR to develop a webinar to deliver the classroom part of the Introduction to ADA training virtually.

Students could register through the state's training website, iLearn, and once we received confirmation that they completed the webinar, we provided a short term ADA certification. ODOT certified 606 people since January, with 273 of them being certified through the webinar.

Several other ODOT units have begun to explore opportunities to deliver virtual training statewide. For example, ODOT's Engineering Automation unit created videos to share updated information for their Survey Fundamental's class and the Quality Assurance unit is looking into adding eLearning as an ongoing option for certification training. The ODOT Construction Training Program is exploring various platforms such as Articulate, Rise and Storyline to create virtual trainings.

Transforming training from a classroom to a virtual experience takes research, expertise and time. We will not be eliminating in-person training, but rather offering more options for virtual training to increase the accessibility for our valued stakeholders. We are aiming to offer a few virtual courses in the 2021-2022 training season. Be sure to check out our website for more information.

<https://www.oregon.gov/odot/Construction/Pages/Inspector-Certification-Program.aspx>



New Members

Please welcome the 12 new members who joined between March and May 2020.

Learn more about membership benefits. Visit the Membership webpage ([link](#)) or contact Membership Chair Leslie Finnigan at lfinnigan@ufsrw.com.

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Todd Miller, Environmental Services Supervisor, City of Springfield, (541) 736-7137, tmiller@springfield-or.gov

Looking to fill a position?



Look at what Oregon APWA offers:

Free listings for public works jobs in the Pacific Northwest.

Wide range of positions in the public and private sectors.

For more information, go to APWA Jobs Webpage ([link](#)) or email OregonAPWA@gmail.com

Two Awards—One Chapter

Eugene Public Works Earns National Sustainability Award

The American Public Works Association (APWA) has recognized Eugene's sustainability efforts as one of the nation's best. In April, APWA awarded Eugene Public Works with an Exceptional Performance in Sustainability award for the City's work to incorporate climate change goals and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions tracking into the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP).

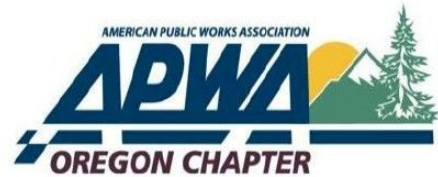
"I'm excited and honored that Eugene has received the Exceptional Performance in Sustainability award from APWA. It is a testament to the innovative work our team and community are undertaking together to meet our climate recovery goals," said Matt Rodrigues, acting Public Works Director. "The process to incorporate climate recovery goals and GHG tracking in Eugene's CIP required a significant investment in process development, training and staff time."

In 2017, the City's budget committee directed staff to incorporate the climate recovery goals and GHG tracking into the CIP. The CIP lists the capital projects funded over a six-year period. This plan, updated every two years, includes airport, parks and open space, public buildings and facilities, stormwater, transportation and wastewater projects. The current CIP, FY20 - FY25, included the estimated greenhouse gas emissions associated with each project.

"The most beneficial outcomes of the process were greatly expanding organization knowledge of tools and methods for estimating greenhouse gas emissions for CIP projects and developing a shared understanding of how our project and material choices influence progress toward our climate recovery goals," said Rodrigues.

The award follows an article by Rodrigues in the [May 2019 issue of the APWA Reporter magazine](#).

See Eugene's Climate Action Plan 2.0 at: <https://engage.eugene-or.gov/sustainability>



Oregon Chapter Earns Presidential Award for Excellence

The Oregon Chapter has been selected as a recipient of the 2020 Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence (PACE). National APWA President Bill Spearman notified Oregon Chapter President Mike Bisset of the honor on June 22.

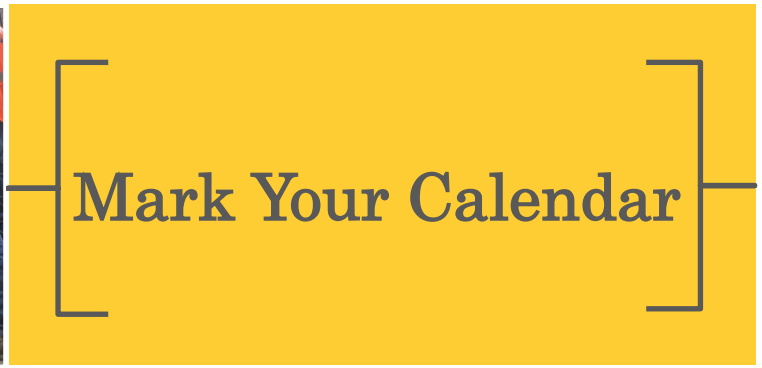
"In recognition of the chapter's impact on APWA's membership, professional development and the advancement of public works, thank you for what your chapter is accomplishing," Spearman said.

"The Oregon Chapter (has) continued building upon the core values of the American Public Works Association, the honored traditions of the Oregon Chapter, and a solid organizational foundation," wrote Immediate Past President Gordon Munro in the introduction to the 2020 PACE nomination. "Due to the efforts of our members, the chapter has seen an influx of new members, provided valued programs for our members and public works professionals throughout the state, improved networking opportunities, and fostered partnerships that benefit the chapter and its members."

The 2020 PACE marks Oregon's 19th submittal with the chapter successfully earning the award, consecutively, since 2001. Because PWX in New Orleans was cancelled for the safety and health of members, National APWA staff is preparing a recognition ceremony video to be posted online. You can view the Oregon Chapter's winning nomination on the chapter's website at <http://oregon.apwa.net/Content/Chapters/oregon.apwa.net/File/Awards%2FNationalAwards%2FPACE%2F2020.PACE.pdf>.

Presidential Award for Chapter Excellence 2020 Nomination





Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, many events have been cancelled, are being rescheduled or are waiting to be finalized. Please check out the events [webpage](#) or follow Oregon APWA on Facebook to keep up to date on upcoming events.

Many of the events below are subject to change. Please contact the event organizer for more information.

August 2020

Chapter Award applications are due Saturday, August 15 (per <http://oregon.apwa.net/PageDetails/3626>).

September 2020

TBA Virtual Luncheon: For more information contact EugeneAPWALuncheon@ci.eugene.or.us

October 2020

Oregon Chapter Conference/Pendleton: Cancelled due to current government restrictions and uncertainties surrounding COVID-19.

Street Maintenance and Collection Systems School/Hood River: Cancelled due to current restrictions and uncertainties surrounding COVID-19.

November 2020

November 17-20: Northwest Public Works Institute Schedule (Surfsand Resort, Cannon Beach, OR) For more information contact cameopeg@gmail.com

Due to COVID-19 and the uncertainty of future government restrictions, registration for this event is being suspended until further notice. Please check back after September 1, 2020.

December 2020

December 8-11: Northwest Public Works Institute Schedule (Surfsand Resort, Cannon Beach, OR) For more information contact cameopeg@gmail.com

Due to COVID-19 and the uncertainty of future government restrictions, registration for this event is being suspended until further notice. Please check back after September 1, 2020.

REVISED 2020 Northwest Public Works Institute Schedule		
Leadership Skills	Nov 17-20, 2020	Surfsand Resort, Cannon Beach, OR
Public Works Essentials	Dec 8-11, 2020	Holiday Inn, Wilsonville, OR