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**2014 PACE
AWARD
RECIPIENT**

**18 YEARS
IN A ROW!**

January Chapter Meeting
TBD—Check the KC Metro Website for Details

2015 APWA Awards
Submit your top projects, professionals or exemplary programs
that best represent public works.

See page 7 for details.

Get Involved!!!
The chapter has over 30 active committees, join one today! See this issue of
the Pub News for information on committees looking for new members.

See page 10 for details

Do you have or know a student in college or trade school that is
interested in a career in public works? Are you perhaps interested in
continuing education to advance your career in public works? If your
answer to either question is yes, see page 11!

2015 ANNUAL PARTNERS

The 2014 annual partnership program was such a success that we will be bringing it
back for 2015! If you were a partner in 2014 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 Bill Stogsdill for more information: BStogsdill@fairwaykansas.org. Don't
miss out again on this great opportunity!

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

FROM TIM ROSS

Happy New Year! The Executive Committee of the Metro Chapter hopes that you've had wonderful holidays and are excited about 2015.



I'm thrilled to be Chapter President for 2015, and I'd like to thank past president Wayne Gudenkauf for his leadership in 2014 and all the committee members for their service, which keeps our chapter going strong year after year. I'd also like to welcome first-year Directors Therese Mersmann and Cory Clark.

In 2015, the Chapter has approved an ample budget that allows us to continue all the good work we have been doing to make our communities better. It will also allow us to:

1. Continue updating our chapter standards and specifications
2. Participate in sponsoring research on stormwater analysis and management
3. Do more self-promotion of the Kansas City Metro Chapter and the value of public works careers.

We'd like to thank all of your organizations for contributing to our partnership program initiative, as many of our budget items are possible because of your partnership. This is the time of year to please consider renewing or starting a partnership with the chapter and help support events going into 2016.

Also of note at the beginning of this new year:

The executive committee is revisiting our strategic plan, as we do every few years. This year's highlighted goals include growing new memberships, as well as retaining current members. Also we plan to focus on defining our mentorship goals.

We are going to apply for our 19th consecutive PACE Award. The award application uses all the information in the committee's year-end report, therefore, if you haven't turned in your year-end report for 2014, please do so.

The chapter is also in the process of pursuing the possibility of hosting the 2018 APWA Congress. This year's congress is in Phoenix in late August, and we hope to have a strong showing from the KC Metro Chapter.

Thank you for all your participation and hard work in 2014—we look forward to a great 2015.

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 2015, APWA National will be posting Committee positions for the upcoming year. All available committees, councils and task force positions that will be appointed in 2015-2016 will be posted the first part of January. If you have any questions you can contact Cindy Long at clong@apwa.net or (816) 595-5220. You can also log onto National's web site at www.apwa.net and click on the link "Be Involved" at the top of the page. If you are interested in being involved at the National Level, I encourage you to check this out.

National is also finalizing plans for several of its conferences this year.

- 2015 Snow Conference is being held in Grand Rapids, MI. April 12 – 15.
- 2015 APWA National Congress in Phoenix, AZ. August 30 – September 2.

If interested in any of these you can go online at www.apwa.net to check out the conference and register.

National will be hosting "Membership 101" webinar at 2:00 p.m. (Central Time) on Thursday, January 22. This webinar is an excellent opportunity for all chapter chairs and membership committee members to get a complete understanding of the membership process.

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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 1-800-848-2792 (ex. 5261).

In February, National is hosting the 2015 Chapter Leadership Training in Kansas City, February 26 – 27. Part of the Leadership Training includes the Council of Chapters meeting to review the progress of the committees and look at other topics they can take on.

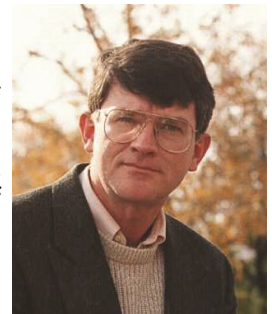
As always, if you have an item that you want to bring before the Chapter or National, just let me know. I am here to assist you in that process.

Joe Johnson, P.E.
Delegate – KC Metro Chapter

TECHNO MINUTE

FROM MIKE ROSS

At the KU Asphalt Conference held earlier this month, perhaps the most important of the presentations may have been Dr. Paul Atchley's presentation about distracted driving. In Public Works, where most of us have a sizeable fleet, Dr. Atchley's message may well be the best way to improve our safety records. As a parent of a teenager his statistics are chilling. I've seen him speak twice and in both cases my daughter Molly has gotten a stern lecture about the dangers of driving distracted, and Molly is both an excellent and an accident free driver. What sets Dr. Atchley apart from the various commercials warning about the dire consequences of texting while driving is that in his presentation he gives very simple tests to the audience that virtually everyone (who hasn't seen it before) fails. And they fail miserably. And to me it is the single-most convincing argument that I've ever seen arguing against using a phone for any purpose while driving. Seriously.



Talking on the phone, even if you have a hands free phone, or the chrome and Bluetooth sea shell perched on your ear, is as dangerous as driving drunk. It's ironic that the brigade of Moms who tirelessly and righteously campaigned against drunk driving for the last quarter of the 20th century are now among those too busy to wait for a destination to pull out their iPhones. Sadly, they're not the only ones. I've heard it said that women are better multi-taskers than men but research about distracted driving would argue otherwise.

If talking on the phone lowers your ability to drive to that of a drunken driver, texting while driving is closer to being drunk to the point of unconsciousness. It's VERY, VERY dangerous.

Statistics would also seem to indicate that despite the dire warnings, many people and most teenagers are unable to connect the hazard to their own experience. He said that his research found that something like 96% of driving teenagers had used their phone while driving. I'll confess that I've used my phone while driving – but NOT after hearing this presentation. Our brains have a very finite capacity, and talking on a cell phone removes our ability to view and process the environment we're driving into. One of the presentation sections showed that we see a much smaller window while talking on a cell phone. Talking to persons in the car tends to be less dangerous because our passengers are generally drivers themselves and they tend to shut up when they perceive an upcoming threat.

We're in the business of building and maintaining transportation systems that are safe and efficient. I would argue that if we packaged Dr. Atchley and required every member of our family to watch his presentation – and then made it a requirement for drivers license renewal – we'd make our roads safer for a fraction of the cost of changes to our infrastructure. I grew up in a world where drunk driving was tolerated – let's work together to make driving and cell phone use as unacceptable as driving drunk.

I believe Dr. Atchley is willing to make this presentation to various groups. Here's a link to a YouTube video with his presentation. I found it by searching Google using the terms "Atchley Distracted" – it was near the top of the list. Here's his email: patchley@ku.edu

Consider this my Christmas gift to you all – it may be the best one you receive.

RECENT EVENTS

2014 APWA KC Metro Chapter Holiday Party - Wednesday, December 10th

The Kansas City Metro Chapter Holiday Party was a wonderful event again this year. Highlights included a reception hour, buffet dinner and awards presentation. The event was held at the Unity Inn Banquet Facility located in Lee's Summit, Missouri. Attendance included over 100 guests from throughout the metro area. Thanks to the many guests who brought donations for Toys for Tots, the chapter was able to make a great donation to the program. At the party guests heard from Lenexa's Public Works Director, Chuck Williams, as the keynote speaker and honored guest. Chapter awards were presented during the program. With the passing of the torch from Wayne Gudenkauf to Tim Ross, the Chapter once again looks to strengthen public works in our area. Thanks to all for attending and we look forward to seeing you next year!

A big THANK YOU to our 2014 Santa's Helpers!

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BHC Rhodes
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Kissick Construction
Shafer, Kline & Warren
TransSystems
TREKK Design Group
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Wilson & Company



Larry Frevert (right) presenting the Ken Cardwell Heart of America Award to Steve Schmidt (left)



APWA KC Metro Chapter Past Presidents



Tim Ross handing the Past Presidents Plaque to Wayne Gudenkauf



Steve Schmidt receiving the Ken Cardwell Heart of America Award

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KC Metro APWA Chapter Recognizes 2014 Public Works Institute Graduates

At the KC Metro Chapter's December 10 Holiday Party, the Chapter recognized the five public works supervisors and managers who completed their Public Works Institute training during 2014. These graduates (left to right) are:

- Donnie Scharff, City of Olathe
- Tony Mesa, City of Raytown
- Ted Korgol, City of Lenexa
- Shane Hill, City of Lenexa
- David Burton, City of Lenexa

These gentlemen have completed 90 hours of training in supervision, management and leadership, presented in four modules through the KC Metro Chapter's Public Works Institute. In recognition for their efforts and graduation, the Chapter presented them with a framed certificate of achievement and an etched glass award. In addition, their cities were presented with an APWA publication on public works management and leadership in recognition of the support provided to both their employees and the Chapter's Public Works Institute.

The Chapter plans to present two Public Works Institute modules during 2015:

- Public Works Management Essentials in April, and
- Public Works Leadership Skills in October



Photo by Becky Korgol

Watch for future details regarding these presentations in the March PubNews, on the KC Metro Chapter's website <http://kcmetro.apwa.net/> or by contacting PWI Director Larry Frevert at lwfrevert@gmail.com or by cell phone at 816.582.9236.



Left: Chuck Williams, DPW of Lenexa and APWA Region VI Director, Right: Larry Frevert, TREKK Design Group and APWA National Past President



Excellence in Operations Program Award—City of Lenexa

Photo by Becky Korgol

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE: GOVERNMENT AFFIARS COMMITTEE UPCOMING EVENT

The Government Affairs Committee is holding a planning meeting on January 14, 2015 to discuss APWA involvement messaging that will need to be established for the Congressional and Presidential election in 2016. The lunch will be at Waldo Pizza from 11:30 am - 1 pm. Feel free to contact Travis Levitt for more information (816) 844-4595.



2015 APWA NORTH AMERICAN SNOW CONFERENCE

The Premier Event in Snow & Ice Management

April 12-15, 2015 | DeVos Place, Grand Rapids, MI

Hosted by the APWA Michigan Chapter | www.apwa.net/snow



APWA INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS CONGRESS & EXPOSITION

AUGUST 30 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2015 ↓ PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER

Make Plans now to be in Phoenix August 30 – September 2!

Join nearly 6,000 public works professionals in Phoenix as we unveil the newest equipment and breakthrough technologies and bring you an unparalleled education track covering the entire gamut of public works. Don't miss the chance to connect with public works professionals from all over the country in America's sixth-largest city, Phoenix, AZ. The City of Phoenix has been making environmentally sustainable practices a priority within key public works areas, creating thousands of jobs and making the city an ideal host for the public works industry's premier international event of 2015.

What's New in 2015!

- 400+ exhibits with innovative technologies that can make your job easier
- 125+ brand new education sessions covering the latest best practices and successful case studies from your peers

APWA attendees are directors, department heads, managers and operations professionals from the following areas:

- Public Works
- Engineering/Construction
- Operations
- Streets/Roads/Bridges
- Fleet Services
- Water/Wastewater
- Solid Waste
- Traffic/Transportation
- Facilities
- Emergency Management
- Parks And Grounds
- Snow/Ice Control
- Utilities And Right-Of-Way
- Stormwater/Flood Control

COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

APWA 2015 Awards - from Melissa Prenger

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 <http://www.apwa.net/awards/CriteriaAndNominationForms>

Please read the awards announcement below for details and contact awardsapwa@gmail.com with any questions.

Guidelines and nomination forms are available at <http://www.apwa.net/awards/CriteriaAndNominationForms>.

1. Completed nomination forms are due by Monday, January 19, 2015. This is NOMINATION FORMS ONLY.
2. Completed application packages are due by Monday, February 2, 2015.
Each application package shall be one PDF file and limited to 5MB.

Please e-mail nomination forms and application packages to awardsapwa@gmail.com.

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**. Prior to the March 2, 2015 deadline, the Awards Committee shall submit 1 PDF copy of the application packages of the chapter level award winners to APWA National for consideration of a national level award. 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 2, 2015 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. 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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MEMBERS AWARDS:

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

Community Involvement Award	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.
Charles Walter Nichols Award for Environmental Excellence	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.
Distinguished Service to Public Works Award	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. A chapter resolution, petition of any 15 active members of APWA or any one or more of the APWA Board of Directors may nominate. APWA Membership is required.
Donald C. Stone Award for Excellence in Education	This award has a category for individuals and chapters. It was established to recognize outstanding and meritorious achievement of individuals assisting in the areas of continuing and graduate professional education for public works professionals, as well as, chapters in their work in delivering educational opportunities for all levels of persons engaged in the delivery of public works services. Chapter candidates must be members with active educational programs. Any active APWA member may nominate.
Harry S. Swearingen Award for Outstanding Chapter Achievement and Excellence in Chapter Service	Established to recognize outstanding individual achievement through chapter activity and achievement in support of APWA's strategic plan, goals, and objectives, as well as outstanding service to APWA as a public or private sector member at the chapter level. Individual candidates and corporate company candidates must be active members of APWA and actively involved at the chapter level for an extended period of time. Nominations must be made by chapters.
International Service Award	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.
Professional Manager of the Year Administrative Management	Recognizes outstanding achievement in the area of Administration within the Public Works Department. Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.
Professional Manager of the Year Engineering and Technology	Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of engineering and technology professionals. 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.
Professional Manager of the Year Facilities and Grounds	Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of facilities and/or grounds management professionals. Individual candidates must be APWA members with primary responsibility in the management of public facilities and grounds and minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.
Professional Manager of the Year Public Fleet	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. 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.
Professional Manager of the Year Public Right-Of-Way	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. Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years public right-of-way management experience.
Professional Manager of the Year Public Works Emergency Management	Recognizes the outstanding career service achievements of public works emergency management professionals. Individual candidates must be APWA members with a minimum of 10 years' experience in a public works supervisory or management role.
Professional Manager of the Year Solid Waste	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. Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.
Professional Manager of the Year Transportation	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. Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.
Professional Manager of the Year Water Resources	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. Individual candidates must be members of APWA with a minimum of 10 years qualifying experience.

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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.

Citation for Exemplary Service to Public Works	To recognize a non-member of APWA who is an eminent government or other public service leader for their far-reaching, positive impact on local, state or national public works programs, services, or policies through distinguished public service and commitment.
Diversity Exemplary Practices Award	To recognize individuals and organizations that has made outstanding contributions to diversity. Up to two awards may be presented annually in the following categories (one possible from each category): 1) individual 2) program/organization. Officers and members of the APWA Board of Directors are not eligible during their service. A chapter, entity, individual member, or nonmember may nominate.
Excellence in Snow and Ice Control Award	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, 2015 and the package received by the awards committee chair by Jan 23, 2015 for a February 2, 2015 national deadline (per the APWA Awards website).
Exceptional Performance Award	Established to recognize individuals, teams or organizations in the areas of Adversity, Journalism and Safety whose outstanding contributions in the course of performance raise the level of public awareness of the profession. A chapter, entity, individual member, or nonmember may nominate. Exceptional Performance Award in Chapter Journalism recognizes chapters only.
Technical Innovation Award / Management Innovation Award	Established to provide recognition for an individual, team or organization for the development and implementation of a creative idea, device, process or system that enhances the goals of public works in serving the public and protecting the environment. The award is open to anyone actively involved in the public works profession. Any public agency may nominate.
Sustainability Practices Award	To recognize individuals, teams or organizations that have made outstanding contributions to promote sustainability in public works. Sustainability is accomplished by the efficient delivery of infrastructure in an environmentally and socially responsible way to ensure the best choice in the long term. Up to three awards may be presented annually 1) Individual 2) program 3) Chapters.

NEW MEMBERS

Carrie Broeckelmann, Roush CleanTech

Anthony Hofmann, City of Overland Park

Phillip Mailey, Roush CleanTech

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.

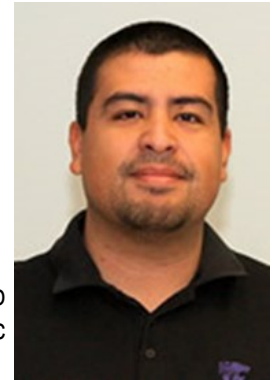
Diversity Committee - from Abdul Yahaya



Member Spotlight



Alejandro "Alex" Martinez
Senior Traffic Studies Specialist, MoDOT



Alex works with local municipalities on signal timing, traffic studies, and plan reviews.

Why did you choose public works as your career field?

I chose public works as a career field since it would be an engineering profession that would allow me to help people. A lot of our work can make a difference in people's lives and the job isn't tied down to one specific job. The reward of the job is also fast as your decision making can make a difference quickly.

What would someone find interesting about your job?

Someone would find interesting about my job the amount of people skills needed. You deal with the public a good amount of the time whether it came from answering a call, email, a face to face conversation and even now social media. At work you rely heavily on your coworkers from plan reviews, field inspections to coordinating work duties. It is really important to have people skills to go along with the engineer work required.

What is your hobby or outside interest?

Outside of work I enjoy watching sports and participating in them. I try to attend as many sporting events as possible. Love the concept of team work since it's something that my job requires.

What does diversity mean to you and how does it affect your job?

Diversity to me means having a well-rounded workforce. Different backgrounds and personalities add a key ingredient into making a strong team. Everyone has something that they can add in solving problems or coming up with an idea that somebody else may not have thought of.

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. Pick your interest and get involved! Please contact the committee chair listed directly. Additional committee information can be found on the chapter website: www.kcmetro.apwa.net.

BBQ/Steak Fry - Brian Ladd/bladd@olssonassociates.com/913.748.2550- This committee is looking for members and is a great way to get involved! This committee helps plan the membership BBQ and steak fry events.

Snow & Equipment Training Expo - Chuck Walston/cwalston@cityofshawnee.org/913.742.6960 - This committee is looking for members to work the testing tents and the registration table at the Expo next Fall.

KC Metro Chapter Myron D. Calkins Scholarship



Each Spring, the Kansas City Metro Chapter solicits applications for the Myron D. Calkins scholarship. This three part series, leading up to the 2015 call for applications, will highlight the history of Myron Calkins and the scholarship, provide information on eligibility and purpose of the scholarship, and finally conclude with application details.

Part 2: Scholarship Purpose and Eligibility

The KC Metro chapter established the Myron D. Calkins Scholarship fund in 1985 in recognition of the extraordinary service of Mr. Calkins to the Chapter, the Association and most importantly his impact on the careers of public works professionals across the Kansas City Metro area. But what is the purpose of the scholarship? Who is eligible to apply?

Why does the KC Metro Chapter have this scholarship?

In Part 1 of this series we reviewed the life of Myron D. Calkins, a man who was a mentor and leader to many who have served in public works throughout the Kansas City metro. The scholarship fund was developed as a tribute to his life and career. What better way to honor such an influential member of the profession than by helping students and professionals develop the knowledge needed to start or further their career.

I want to save some money – what's the deal?

The KC Metro Chapter scholarship program is targeted to provide support for students interested in public works careers and for current public works practitioners interested in continuing education to advance their capabilities and careers. For students in college (whether this be full-time college students or professionals attending school while working) the scholarship is targeted to those pursuing degrees in professions appropriate to public works including but not limited to engineering, planning, community development and public administration.

But the scholarship is not intended only for those seeking professional degrees. The scholarship also targets non-degreed practitioners currently employed in public works who seek to expand their skills and abilities through special training and education.

You do not have to be an engineer to qualify for the Myron D. Calkins Scholarship!

So I know this person...

You are attending a trade school program to further develop your skills? **APPLY!**

You are taking courses to obtain a masters degree in public administration? **APPLY!**

You are interning for a public works agency, consulting firm, contractor or supplier while you obtain a bachelors degree in engineering? **APPLY!**

Your child/grandchild/family friend is pursuing a career in public works? Encourage them to **APPLY!**

Your child/grandchild/family friend is attending trade school and works in the public works field? Encourage them to **APPLY!**

Get the point yet? The purpose of this scholarship is to support students pursuing a career in public works. If you are furthering your education so that you can participate in the public works profession, then consider applying for this scholarship!



Myron Calkins with 2007-2008 scholarship recipients and chapter representatives.

KC Metro Chapter Myron D. Calkins Scholarship, continued

Eligibility requirements...the details

Yes, we have requirements and yes, you must meet these. But if you are pursuing a career in public works this part is easy!

The MDC scholarship application will be posted on the chapter website, sent out via chapter blast e-mails and publicized in the Pub News starting in early March. These eligibility requirements are taken directly from the scholarship application:

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants interested in this scholarship must be:

- *Enrolled in a graduate or undergraduate education or trade school program that relates to public works.*
- *Enrolled in a minimum of three (3) credit hours or an accredited program for the duration of the scholarship.*
- *Applying to complete a certification program through APWA (or other agencies upon approval), including but not limited to the following: Certified Stormwater Manager (CSM), Certified Public Fleet Professional (CPFP), and Certified Public Infrastructure Inspector (CPII). More information can be found online at <http://www.apwa.net/certification/>*

Preference will be given to applicants who are active in the KC Metro Chapter or local student chapter, and those not otherwise eligible for tuition reimbursement.

Scholarship Award

Undergraduate or graduate students: The scholarship award is a maximum \$750 per semester to the qualified candidate with a maximum of \$1,500 per calendar year. The award will be paid to the recipient upon proof of completion of coursework. The student must satisfy grade requirements (a minimum cumulative semester GPA of 3.0, or grade B or better in an individual course).

Certification programs: A maximum of \$1,500 will be paid to reimburse a candidate to successfully complete a certification program (including those offered by APWA or other agencies upon approval) within the timeframe of May 2015 – May 2016. The award will be paid to the recipient (to include application and exam fees only) upon proof of passing the exam.

What's next?

The scholarship application will be available in early March. If you are interested in applying for this scholarship or know of a scholar who may be interested be on the look-out for the application and be ready to apply.



2012-2013 MDC scholarship recipients and chapter representatives.

CHAPTER LEADERSHIP

KC APWA 2015 OFFICERS

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Director (2nd Year) - Shannon Jeffries
Director (1st Year) - Therese Mersmann
Director (1st Year) - Cory Clark
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Delegate - Joe Johnson

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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 27th, 2015. Deadlines will be strictly enforced. Electronic formats are preferred, but not required. Send your stories to Caitlin Gard via email to cgard@cityofshawnee.org.

POLICY FOR THE USE OF THE APWA PUB NEWS, WEBSITE AND ELECTRONIC MAILING LIST

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.

APWA 2015 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Audit & Budget - Alysen Abel
Awards - Tony Meyers and Melissa Prenger
By-Laws - Wayne Gudenkauf
Chapter Meetings - Joe Burgett
Communications and Publicity - Tim Morgan
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Diversity - Abdul Yahaya
Education & Training - Todd Thalmann
Emergency Management & Homeland Security (PET) - Scott Ward
Emerging Leaders - Rob Kline
Engineering & Technology - Michael Haake
Facilities & Grounds - Tom Audley
Fleet Services - Howard Mann
Golf Tournament - Tawn Nugent
Governmental Affairs - Travis Levitt and Joab Ortiz
Historical - Ernie Longoria
Holiday Party - Julie McNiff
K-12 Student Outreach - David Smalling
Leadership & Management - Eric Strack
Membership - Matt Spencer
Membership BBQ & Steak Fry - Brian Ladd
Mo-Kan Public Works Association - Robert Kluender
Myron D. Calkins Scholarship - Shannon Jeffries and Phil Herrman
Myron Calkins Scholarship - Wayne Gudenkauf
National Public Works Week - Dan Brown
Nominating Committee - Wayne Gudenkauf
Past President Committee - Wayne Gudenkauf
Snow & Equipment Training Expo - Chuck Walston and Chad Courtois
Standards & Specifications - Dena Mezger
Student Chapter - Aaron Castro
Sustainable Infrastructure - Ann Schroer and Brenda Macke
Transportation - Jim Wingert
Utility & Public Right-of-Way - John Cooper
Water Resources Management - Chad Johnson

Appointments, Liaisons, and Coordinators

ACEC-APWA Liaison - John Skubal
Calendar/Events Coordinator - Karen Scherer
Joint Engineers Council - Alysen Abel
MCIB/KCMMB - Todd LaTorella
Solid Waste Management - Lisa McDaniel

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