



Chapter Newsletter

Fall/Winter 2020

Chapter News

Hopefully everyone is hanging in there since our last newsletter in April. A lot has changed and we are all probably sick of the “new normal” as it has been. One good thing we have found in all of this is that it has been easy to get together via virtual meetings and conferences. There is good and bad with this, and it is unfortunate that we can’t meet in person or give out handshakes. However, this did open up new online or virtual events. As a reminder, APWA has offered PWX@Home which follows the APWA Reporter monthly themes on Public Works topics. This is a great opportunity for you to do some e-learning on a limited budget or travel restrictions from the comfort of your office. You can always do the virtual events as a team or lunch & learn.

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Chapter Board Member Update:

The Chapter Board Members have been active at the National Level.

President Eric Pethtel is part of the National Steering Committee and is a part of Task Forces on a variety of issues that APWA looking into for membership.

Vice-President Kyle Winling is on the Advocacy Task Force and Struggling Chapters Task Force and will be helping the Indiana Chapter and state chapters on these issues.

Board Member Larry Campbell, Fort Wayne, is part of the National Certified Public Fleet Professionals and will be helping review and update test questions for the certification program.

Everyone should know is that there is a very sincere level of commitment by APWA National that they want to see us all succeed professionally and as an organization



CONGRATULATIONS TO

MARY JOYCE IVERS, VENTURA, CA

Mary Joyce took the helm of the APWA on August 31, 2020.

Mary Joyce has a good background in Fleet Management, which just so happened to be September’s PWX@Home topic!



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PWX@Home

Since PWX was cancelled this year, APWA is hosting online virtual events. Some of these are free, some require payment. Every month there will be Live Events you can attend, be sure to check the APWA website!

Spotlight On Series is full of educational materials from 2:00pm-5:30pm, 1x a month. For example, the September SpotLight on Series is \$50 and has 2 Fleet related topics plus a forum session for registrants. There will also be a virtual happy hour afterwards where you can network with others.

Small Cities/Rural Communities are free sessions open to membership and will have the PWX@Home monthly topic open for discussion. Come meet some of your peers from around the country, you may learn something new!

Third Thursday Advocacy Jam are free sessions open to members who wish to get involved and hear more about what APWA Advocacy is doing with the federal government.

On-Demand Learning: There are many free articles and videos for members on the APWA website that are worth checking.

2020 INDIANA APWA SCHOLARSHIP

Again, the Chapter would like to congratulate Micah Kirk on his scholarship. Micah is attending Purdue University, Lafayette and is studying Civil Engineering.

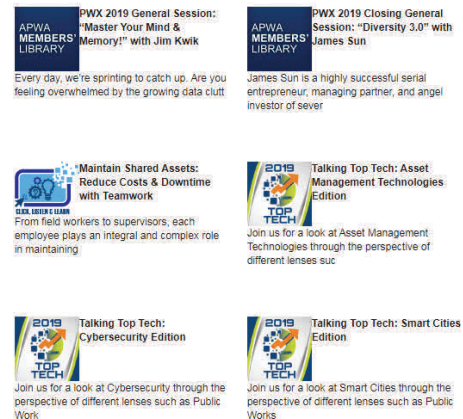


CERTIFICATIONS

Don't forget that you have resources available online at APWA.NET.

This may be the time to consider certification or accreditation? Certification Options are Winter Maintenance Supervisor, Winter Maintenance Operator, Public Fleet Management and Facilities and Grounds.

This may be the time to contemplate other professional certifications such as CFPF, CPII, CSM. APWA is also offering the new Certified Public Works Professional Certifications for Supervisors and Managers.



The Members Library has a number of clickable videos to watch. Didn't make PWX? No worry—opening sessions are on video! Apwa.net



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Mr. Alan K. Charlton	City of Fishers
Mr. Anthony DeCavitch	Picote Solutions
Mr. Brent Dickson	City of Valparaiso
Tricia Evans	Sexson Mechanical Corporation
Mr. William C. Fehribach	City of Fishers
Mr. Matt Gray	City of Fort Wayne
Mr. Brenton Hasenour	Burgess and Niple Inc
Mr. Mike Jabo	City of Valparaiso
Mr. Mitchell Lankford, PE	City of West Lafayette
Mr. Corey Stein	Sexson Mechanical Corporation

Indiana Chapter of APWA currently has approximately 200 members statewide. APWA is a great way to network with other professionals throughout the state on the variety of different aspects of Public Works. This includes fleet, transportation, solid waste, facilities, water, right of way and more. The variety of fields sets APWA apart from other organizations and brings with it a large variety of experience that we can draw on from each other. Don't hesitate to reach out to the chapter if you have a question. We may be able to put you in touch with someone who can help!

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW MEMBER



The Indiana Chapter welcomes one of our newest members, Corey Stein of Sexson Mechanical Corporation. Corey is Vice President of Sexson Mechanical and has been there 10 years. Sexson Mechanical works in the state of Indiana with IDOA, INDOT and local municipalities offering HVAC, Plumbing and electrical installation projects. They also have done small projects in water and waste water. No project should be considered too small for Sexson. Corey's group works well with municipalities realizing that budgets are stretched thin so expectations are set early on in the project. Communication with the owners are important to see a project succeed. Some of their best memories and successes with projects are when everyone comes together with their great team of managers and technicians creating long lasting relationships with their clients.

Don't hesitate to look up Sexson Mechanical out of Greenwood if you have a project need!

The Indiana Chapter is looking at hosting online education sessions or other events. If you have a topic or issue you are interested in let us know and we can do some research. We may be able to help put you in contact with another company or local agency, we may be able to help connect you with another member who has experience in that field, or we may be able to host a virtual event on the topic open to all members.

If you have any questions or comments for the chapter, please reach out to VP, Kyle.Winling@cityoffortwayne.org