

New York Metropolitan Chapter American Public Works Association

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President's Message:

Kevin Conklin - APWA New York Metro Chapter

I would like to thank the membership for allowing me to serve as the 2019 President of the New York Metropolitan Chapter of the American Public Works Association.

While our Chapter continues to meet its obligations with respect to implementing established Best Management Practices, our membership continues to shrink slightly each year as a result of retirements, changes in everyday job responsibilities and the demands placed upon our profession to do more with less.

Membership in professional organizations serves to increase one's body of knowledge through the ability to network with any number of individuals on a multitude of subjects. I urge the membership to seek out non-APWA members and inform them of the value-added aspects of APWA membership.

Our 30th Annual Equipment, Products and Services Exposition, held at the Town of Oyster Bay Highway Department was a great success. Once again we were able to provide necessary stormwater training with the assistance of Past President Jim Maxwell. Twenty-two individuals participated in the training.

As the year continues, we will continue to inform the membership of available training opportunities as well as legislation which will impact municipal operations including the environment, emergency management and transportation.

I would like to thank everyone for their continued efforts in supporting the New York Metro Chapter of the APWA.

Kevin

***On the Cover:
The Brooklyn Bridge, one of New
York's most recognizable landmarks***

New Members Since January 1, 2019

Name	Agency/Company
Kevin Denning	Hempstead Sanitation District # 6
Kevin Pearsall	Village of Floral Park
Christopher Day	Town of Orangetown
James Dillion	Town of Orangetown
Ivan Dobis	Queens
Tom Hurley	Sealcoating Inc.
Pasquale Ianucci	Village of Westbury
Anthony Lauro	Malvese Equipment Company
Eamon Reilly	Town of Orangetown
Jane Slavin	Town of Orangetown
Rich Vollenweider	City of New Rochelle
Craig Schleider	Storr Tractor Company
Anthony Costa	Unique Paving Materials
Steve Cotsalas	MROCHEM

Consider Joining the American Public Works Association

If you are receiving this Newsletter complimentary, we ask that you consider joining the American Public Works Association.

The Long Island Branch which includes Nassau and Suffolk Counties meets 9 times a year for lunch and the Southeast New York Branch which includes Westchester, Putnam, Dutchess, Rockland, Sullivan, Orange and Ulster Counties meets 4 times per year for lunch. These lunch meetings, in addition to the Association's routine business, provides an opportunity to network with other Public Works managers as well as private sector vendors and consultants. Training and education opportunities are provided at the annual Equipment and Products Exposition in May as well as standalone training sessions sponsored in cooperation with other Pulic Works organizations.

Check out the American Public Works Association website at: www.apwa.net/membership

Stephen Munno
Chapter Secretary

GET CONNECTED

One of the great benefits of joining APWA is connecting with your colleagues. APWA offers numerous opportunities and various ways for you to connect and network. Connect by interest or responsibility, through our social networks, through your local chapter, or through one of our national special interest groups.

Connect by interest or responsibility

- Center for Sustainability
- Standing Committees, Program Committees, or Technical Committees
- Partnerships and Task Forces

Social networks

- InfoNOW Communities and APWA Connect
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram
- YouTube Channel

Local chapter

- Chapters
- Council of Chapters

Special Interest

- Public Works Historical Society
- Canadian Public Works Association
- Young Professionals
- Emerging Leaders

Calendar of Events and Training

Item	Sponsor	Contact /Information	Date
Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater Utilities	New York State Homeland Security and Emergency Services	Registration – http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9519MGT343Queens	September 5 and 6, 2019
Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater Utilities	New York State Homeland Security and Emergency Services	Registration – http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/91719MGT343Westchester	September 17 and 18, 2019
2019 PWX, Seattle Washington	APWA	APWA Website	September 8-11, 2019

Annual Equipment and Products Expo A Continuing Success Story

May 22rd 2019 proved to be a record day for visitors to the Chapter's Annual Equipment and Products Exposition, sponsored by the Long Island Branch in the Town of Oyster Bay. The day started off at 9:00 AM with a 1-hour presentation by Jim Maxwell, CSM on Stormwater Management, Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping. Twenty municipal staff were present from 8 municipalities. APWA provided 1 Continuing Education Credit, available to both members and non-members of APWA. The Expo had a great year with 55 vendors participating.



From left to right Chapter Delegate Dominick Longobardi, Instructor Jim Maxwell, President Kevin Conklin and Director Peter Sciliano discuss Chapter training efforts and future needs



Public Works and Highway Department staff listen attentively to presentation



Many thanks to the Town of Oyster Bay and the Long Island Branch for hosting and organizing this year's show



The registration desk included a continental breakfast

Long Island Branch Training

On Friday, April 26, 2019 the APWA – Long Island Branch conducted a “Train the Trainer” training class for members and vendors regarding the New York State Department of Labor regulations on harassment and discrimination. The training class provided the necessary instruction and tools to comply with the new regulations now in effect which requires a written policy and training of all employees within New York State, both public and private, by October 9, 2019. Thirty-three municipal staff were in attendance.

Susan O’Rorke, Director of Marketing and Member Services – New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (NYMIR) conducts training for municipal staff



Village of Rye Brook Keeping Busy

The Village of Rye Brook annual truck show was hosted at Bellefair Bright Horizons Daycare and Preschool. This year the show was held during Public Works Week on May 23, 2019. Utility operator Con Edison Company of New York and Anthony Bulfamante Landscaping graciously sent trucks to expand the types of vehicles present. A total of 60 children climbed over various pieces of equipment such as a John Deere 624 Loader, Freightliner 108 crew cab, John Deere Gator ATV and more.



Consolidated Edison Utility Truck for overhead cable operations



Children always want their photo taken in the loader bucket

Village Utilizes Fibermat to Extend Pavement Life

The Village of Rye Brook is installing an economical surface treatment called Fibermat with a double layer of Micro surface on Village Roads. The low-cost pavement treatment will extend the service life of the roads at a fraction of the cost of milling and resurfacing. Some benefits of such treatment are suppression of cracks, a new driving surface, less disruption to traffic during installation and increased PCI road rating. The Village is treating approximately 3.5 miles of roads in the Bellefair Development with hopes of expanding this program to other streets.



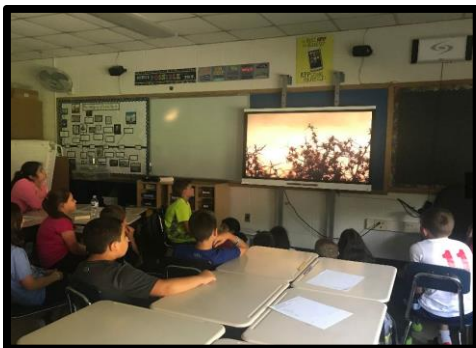
Process immediately after placement of Fibermat



Finished product

Town of Mount Pleasant Initiates Student Education Week Program

Mount Pleasant's new Highway Superintendent Richard Benkwitt began his tenure by supporting the efforts of the American Public Works Association to educate the public on what public works means and does. One hundred thirty three fourth grade students and teachers at Columbus Avenue Elementary School were treated to a Highway Maintenance Truck Exposition on June 17th along with a showing of the American Public Works Association video, "What is Public Works".



All 4th grade classes were treated to the APWA video, "What is Public Works"



Highway Superintendent Richard Benkwitt explains the many uses of the vector truck

Town Implements Storm Drain Lining Pilot Project

The Town of Mount Pleasant Highway initiated a pilot project this Spring lining several hundred feet of stormwater drainage conveyance piping. The lining project, expected to last years, replaces the need for the time consuming and costly process of excavating, demolishing damaged pipe, installing new pipe, and pavement replacement.



Liner during insertion, expansion and heating process



Finished product to be trimmed

County Public Works Association Names Person of the Year

At their annual picnic held on June 13th, the Westchester County Association of Municipal Public Works Administrators named Thomas Meier, Commissioner of Public Works, City of Yonkers as its 2019 Person of the Year. Begun in 1986, the program recognizes individuals for their contributions to the field of public works as well as their support of the organization's training and education efforts. Commissioner Meier will be formally recognized at the Association's annual dinner meeting in October.

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