



Chapter Happenings

*An electronic publication of the New York Metro Chapter
of the American Public Works Association*

July 2015

President’s Message:

***Thomas Rini – APWA New York Metro Chapter
President***

Dear Members:

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to serve as your Chapter President. In 2015 we will be celebrating the Chapter’s 25th Anniversary as part of our Annual Awards Dinner to be held on November 5, 2015.

Our Equipment, Products and Services Exposition held in Oyster Bay on May 20th was another huge success. Thanks to all the vendors who continually support our educational and scholarship programs.

Our Executive Board has made significant efforts to update training and educational opportunities. In addition to a training session at our annual Equipment, Products and Services Exposition, we are partnering with other professional organizations such as the Westchester County Association of Municipal Public Works Administrators and the Cornell University Local Roads Program as well as the private sector to increase the number of training sessions available annually.

I was recently notified that the Chapter has received the 2015 PACE Award which will be presented at Congress in Phoenix, Arizona on August 31st. If you plan on attending Congress this year, join us for the presentation of Awards.

This is the second printing of our Newsletter since it’s re-activation in December 2014. Please feel free to send in articles for dissemination to our membership.

Regards,

Tom

In this Issue

Presidents Message

•

2015 Chapter
Officers

•

Articles

•

2015
Equipment Show

•

2015
Congress
Information

•

Photo
Gallery

•

Calendar of
Upcoming Events

**2015 Chapter
Officers/Directors**

President

Thomas J. Rini
Superintendent of Public Works
Village of Mineola

Vice President

Stephen F. Munno
Senior Administrative Assistant
Town of Orangetown Highway
Department

Secretary

James W. Maxwell, CSM, PWLF
City of New Rochelle (Retired)

Treasurer

Robert J. Mangan, P.E.
Public Works Director
Village of Garden City

Directors

Peter Sciliano, Town of Mt. Pleasant
Jon Reed, Reed Systems
Francis J. Koch, P.E., Village of
Garden City
Domenick Stanco, Village of Garden City

Past President

Louis Martirano, Town of Mamaroneck

Chapter Administrator

Louis DiDomenico
Village of Kings Point (Retired)

Chapter Delegate

Dominick Longobardi
Town of Hempstead

APWA Region II

Director

Harry L. Weed, PWLF
Village of Rockville Center

Visit the NY Metro Chapter Website at
<http://newyorkmetro.apwa.net/>
**For Branch Leadership and Committee
Information**

**Equipment and Products Show
May 20, 2015
Sponsored by Long Island
Branch**

**Items for publication may be submitted
to Jim Maxwell, Secretary and
Newsletter Editor at**
Jimax153@optonline.net

Stormwater Management

*by James W. Maxwell, CSM, PWLF
Chapter Secretary*

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation has issued a new permit for Stormwater Construction Activity titled, "SPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES From CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY Permit No. GP-0-15-002". The permit took effect on January 29, 2015 and expires on January 28, 2020. The permit may be found at: http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/water_pdf/gp015002.pdf. Be sure you and other responsible municipal staff are particularly familiar with Part IV of the Permit which outlines Inspection and Maintenance requirements for owners, contractors and municipal staff. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Training Calendar which lists the Endorsed 4 Hour Erosion and Sediment Control Training Certification Program can be found at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8699.html>

The SPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGES From Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Permit No. GP-0-10-002 which expired April 30, 2015 has been replaced with a 2 year permit effective May 1, 2015. The Department issued GP-0-15-003 as an interim general permit to allow time for judicial resolution of a pending Article 78 Petition challenging several provisions of GP-0-10-002.

This new permit may be found at
http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/water_pdf/ms4gp.pdf

The New York State Stormwater Management Design Manual was updated in 2015 and may be found and downloaded at:
http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/water_pdf/swdm2015entire.pdf

Keep in mind that the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation has the responsibility for auditing your Stormwater Management Plan Program, typically on a 5 year basis unless problems existed with previous audits or an unsatisfactory rating was received. Municipal staff training for Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination and Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping should be performed on a scheduled basis with every 2 years being a good rule of thumb for group training. Record and keep literature on all outside stormwater training received at Congress or at other professional organizations such as the New York Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials and the New York State Floodplain and Stormwater Managers Association.

New Members Since January 1, 2015

Name	Agency / Company
Michael Nappo	Village of Westbury
Gregory Saffer	SERVPRO
Gerard Damiani Jr.	Rockland County Solid Waste
Christina Edwards	Town of Cortlandt
Craig Kossin	City of Yonkers
Tom Crowley	Doheny Companies
Michael Hawksby	Renewable Recycling Inc.
Christine Kiourtsis	Renewable Recycling Inc.
James Neubert	Village of Great Neck
Louis Massaro	Village of Great Neck
Christopher Esposito	Able Equipment Rental Inc.
Robert Murdock	Town of Ramapo
Frank Balbi	Village of Scarsdale
Gary Racaniello	Village of Scarsdale
Christopher Vela	Village of Valley Stream

Be Counted!!

Is your membership information up to date? Please update your Member Profile on the National website.

National Public Works Week

National Public Works Week kicked off in the New York Metro Chapter area with an open house held at the Town of Orangetown Highway Department. Superintendent of Highways and Past Chapter President James Dean invited the residents of the Town to join him in the celebration of Public Works Week by visiting the Highway Department Operations Facility in order to learn firsthand what the operation and maintenance of the Town's highway infrastructure is all about, what the various vehicles and equipment are actually used for and what it takes for the Highway Department staff to get the job done.

Attention Parents!
Please bring the kids and join us for our.....




19th Annual Open House
Saturday, May 16, 2015
10 AM - 12 Noon

Residents and their families are invited to come tour the facility, witness equipment demonstrations, meet Highway Department representatives, and learn more about the operation of the Orangetown Highway Department.

Our special guests will include representatives from Orangetown Police Department, Rockland County Sheriff's Department, Organic Recycling Inc., Keep Rockland Beautiful, Inc., and Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority who will be available to answer questions about the functions of their organizations.

"Highway Helper" T-Shirts
for the first 50 children in
attendance.



Orangetown Highway Department
119 Route 303
Orangetown, New York
(845) 359-6500

Sponsored by Town of Orangetown in conjunction with the American Public Works Association "National Public Works Week" May 17-23, 2015.



Approximately 300 children and residents visited the Town Highway Garage on the Saturday prior to National Public Works Week



Students from Lincoln Titus Elementary School in the Town of Cortlandt participated in “On the Go Day” at Lincoln Titus Elementary School on May 28, 2015. The Department of Environmental Services provided a street sweeper and John Shembari, Motor Equipment Operator, and Jeff Coleman, P.E., Director of Environmental Services provided information to the children on the Public Works activities of the Department and answered many questions.

Annual Public Works Equipment, Products and Services Exposition

The Annual Equipment, Products and Services Exposition took place on May 20th and was hosted by the Chapter’s Long Island Branch and the Town of Oyster Bay Public Works Department. This year’s show featured 33 vendors providing a variety of trucks, equipment, services and materials. Total attendance is estimated at 275 individuals. The Show began at 9:30 AM with a training session open to all public works personnel on Stormwater Management, Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping. Jim Maxwell, CSM provided the one hour session and those attending were eligible for Continuing Education Credit through APWA and the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET). A total of 33 individuals from 12 municipal agencies were in attendance. A very special “Thanks” to our hosts Town of Oyster Bay Supervisor John Venditto, Oyster Bay Town Board & Town of Oyster Bay DPW Commissioner Kevin Hanifan. Our Annual Equipment, Products and Services Expositions would not be possible without many hours of hard work by the Branch and it’s Committee that makes the Show a success. Thanks to President Tom Rini, Long Island Branch President Dominick Longobardi and his team for another great year.



Following comments by APWA Region II Director Harry Weed, President Tom Rini completes his remarks and invites all to join him at lunch



Mayor Scott P. Strauss and the Village of Mineola Trustees present President Tom Rini with a Proclamation recognizing National Public Works Week



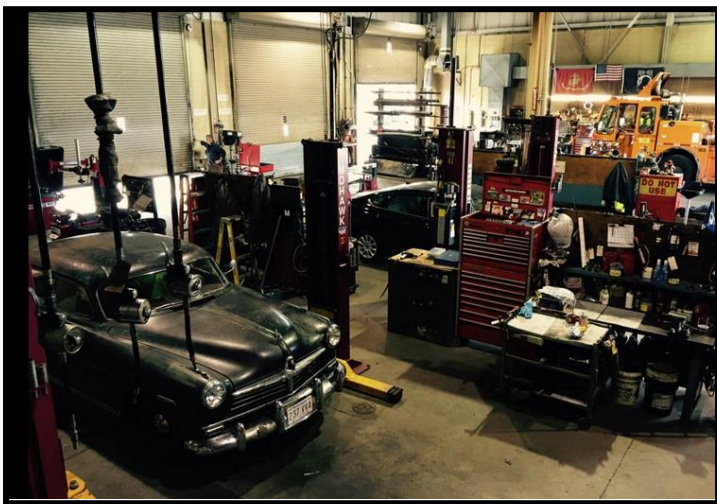
Jim Maxwell, CSM and Chapter Secretary provided the training session on Stormwater Management, Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping



Village of Mineola Public Works staff gather around their vehicle displayed at the Equipment Show

Engineering News Record Low and Slow Across Americas Infrastructure

The APWA-sponsored "Low and Slow Across America's Infrastructure" tour began May 11 in Brookline, Massachusetts and concludes in Los Angeles, California in mid-June. Dan McNichol, best-selling author and award-winning journalist, will take this road trip in his 1949 Hudson Commodore 8 to draw attention to the critical condition of our nation's infrastructure – and some of the solutions underway. McNichol will be accompanied by Aileen Cho, reporter for Engineering News Record (ENR), who will chronicle the trip in a series of magazine articles and blogs.



Low and Slow Across America made a stop in Rockville Centre at the Public Works Garage where Public Works Superintendent and APWA Region II Director Harry Weed gave the 1949 Hudson Commodore 8 a maintenance check before it left for its next destination on the tour.

The links below will help you follow the "Low and Slow" tour. For more information contact APWA Media Relations/Communications Manager-Laura Bynum at lbynum@apwa.net or (800) 848-2792 extension 6736.

Resources: [#ENRLowSlow](#) [@APWATWEETS](#) [@DanMcNichol](#)
[@aileencho](#) [@ENRnews](#) [Tour Itinerary](#)
[Engineering News Record's Tour webpage](#)
 Tour visits the \$1-billion Bayonne Bridge Project Site in New Jersey
 (Blog on ENR)
 Aileen Cho Meets Dan and Mrs. Martin for the First Time (Blog on ENR)

Epic Road Trip Ahead (Blog on ENR)
How one old car became a metaphor for America's Infrastructure (Blog on ENR)

Membership and Educational Outreach

With the re-activation of the Chapter Newsletter in 2014, the Executive Committee voted to expand the distribution of the Newsletter to non - APWA member municipalities. This decision was made with two thoughts in mind, the first being that providing information on Chapter members and activities would encourage others to join APWA and second, to inform non - Chapter municipalities in educational sessions made available through the Chapter and other related Public Works organizations. This July 2015 Newsletter will be e-mailed to non-Chapter municipalities in Westchester, Putnam, and Rockland Counties with the mailing eventually being sent to municipal entities in all counties which make up the New York Metropolitan Chapter of APWA. Membership information in the American Public Works Association is available at: <http://www.apwa.net/membership>

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Petroleum and Chemical Programs Operator Training and Testing

Within the next 12 months, new regulations will be coming out concerning operator training and testing requirements for Petroleum and Chemical Programs. All facilities which have Underground Storage Tanks (UST's) will have one year from the time the new regulations become effective to have personnel trained and tested. There will be 3 classifications for Program Operators with Class A and B needing to complete an on-line examination and Class C Operators receiving training from Class A Operators which is both general and site specific. For complete information go to the following link:
http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/tankiq.pdf

Chapter Administrators Corner

*By Louis DiDomenico
Chapter Administrator*

The New York Metro Chapter has a new and improved Chapter website through the American Public Works Association and went live in March of 2015. The new Chapter website has a great new look and lots of information for our members.

The Chapter website provides Chapter, Branch and APWA events, such as the annual Chapter Equipment Show, Branch Golf Outings, Branch Membership Meetings, Chapter Executive Committee Meetings and the Chapter Annual General Membership Meeting and Awards Dinner. The Chapter website has new submenus to provide education and training opportunities, Emergency Management notifications, Chapter and Branch Bylaws, Chapter Award Applications, Chapter and Branch Scholarship Applications and a listing of the Chapter and Branch Officers and the various Committees.

The Chapter website also provides Chapter Minutes, Listing of the Past Presidents and all of the Chapter awardees for the past twenty five (25) years. Applications for APWA membership is also available on the Chapter website through the APWA link. The Chapter website is also link to the APWA website, so our members can access various information through APWA. Enjoy our new Chapter Website!

<http://newyorkmetro.apwa.net>

APWA International Congress and Exposition

**Scheduled for August 30 – September 2, 2015 at the Phoenix Convention Center
for details, registration and travel information go to <http://www.apwa.net/congress>**

APWA Promotes Use of Social Media

APWA promotes the use of social media in three areas including InfoNOW Communities, [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com) and [twitter.com](https://www.twitter.com). Go to the Social networks page at the APWA website (<http://www.apwa.net>) to learn more about how to use these valuable resources to increase knowledge and assist with performing everyday public works tasks.

Calendar of Events

Item	Sponsor	Contact /Information	Date
Golf Outing Harbor Links Golf Club Port Washington, New York	Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	August 24, 2015 1:00 P.M. Shotgun Start
Golf Outing Spook Rock Golf Course Ramapo, New York	Southeast New York Branch	Joe Moran jmoran@orangetown.com	September 23, 2015 8:00 AM Start
International Public Works Congress and Exposition Phoenix, Arizona	APWA National	http://www.apwa.net/Congress	August 30 – September 2, 2015
Branch Meeting	Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	September 16, 2015 11:30 A.M.
Annual Branch Membership Meeting	Southeast New York Branch	Jeff Coleman jeffc@townofcortlandt.com	October 2015
Executive Board Meeting	Chapter Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	October 7, 2015
Branch Meeting	Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	October 14, 2015 11:30 A.M.
Annual Chapter Membership Meeting, Election of Officers, Awards Night and 25th Anniversary Celebration	Chapter Hosted by Southeast New York Branch Villa Barone The Bronx, New York	Jeff Coleman jeffc@townofcortlandt.com	November 5, 2015
Branch Meeting	Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	November 18, 2015 11:30 A.M.
Annual Branch Meeting Installation of Officers Toy Drive and Holiday Celebration Captain Bill's Bayshore, New York	Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	December 3, 2015 11:30 A.M.
Executive Board Meeting	Chapter Long Island Branch	Dominick Longobardi dlongobardi@tohmail.org	December 7, 2015



DID YOU KNOW that there is a place in the American Public Works Association just for young public works professionals?

JOIN APWA today to develop critical skills and relationships with your peers that will last throughout your public works career.

Mission: Bringing You The Next Generation of Public Works
To recruit, develop, connect, empower and retain young professionals in APWA through increased opportunities and resources to enhance their professional development and success within the association and the public works profession.



GET CONNECTED TODAY
at www.apwa.net/youngprofessionals
or contact your chapter to see what local YP activities there are.

Westchester and Putnam Counties Association of Town Superintendents of Highways Celebrates 75th Anniversary

*By James W. Maxwell, CSM, PWLF
Chapter Secretary*

This year the Westchester and Putnam Counties Association of Town Superintendents of Highways celebrates their 75th Anniversary. The Association was first conceived in 1937 when George J. Cannon, Superintendent of Highways in the Town of Eastchester and Owen Quinn, Superintendent of Highways in the Town of Mount Pleasant wrote to all the Town Highway Superintendents in Westchester County and suggested that, “an auxiliary organization serving similar needs, but more local in scope and character to the New York State Association of Town Highway Superintendents be formed”.

Since 1940, the Westchester County Association of Town Superintendents of Highways has provided a forum for the discussion and resolution of mutual problems confronting its members. Beginning in the early 1970’s, the membership criteria was changed to include Associates which consisted of businesses providing highway related materials and services. From time to time, the Association also bestows the title of Honorary Member on former members who have given generously of their time and energies in making the organization what it is today. Today there are 13 Associate members and 6 Honorary members. In 1995, the Association merged with the Putnam County Association of Town Superintendents of Highways bringing the total regular membership from 18 to 24 individuals.

The Association serves as an educational and information forum for its members and utilizes funds raised for those purposes as well as scholarships for students pursuing engineering and related public works degrees.

The Association celebrated its 75th Diamond Anniversary with a dinner meeting and cruise around New York Harbor on June 19, 2015.

Help Us Improve Communication

With APWA Members And Non-Members

By Submitting For Printing In Our Newsletter

Information On

What is Happening In Your

Community