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President’s Message:

Thomas Rini – APWA New York Metropolitan Chapter President

Dear Members:

First, I wish to congratulate the incoming 2016 officers for stepping up so that our chapter can continue to advance and support the ideals on which our profession is based.

This year the New York Metropolitan Chapter celebrates it’s 25 Anniversary after separating from the New York/New Jersey Chapter in 1990. Thanks to Jim Dean and Mike Sadowski for providing some history and background on the reasons behind the decision to separate.

Congress this year was held in Phoenix, Arizona with 12 Chapter members in attendance. I had the privilege of accepting the Chapter’s 11th PACE Award since 2003 along with Secretary Jim Maxwell, Delegate Dominick Longobardi, Past President Lou Martirano and other officers and Chapter members.

Both the Long Island Branch and the Southeast New York Branch have held Golf Outings to raise funds for their respective scholarship, educational and training programs. Keep up the good work.

Our Newsletter is receiving a wider circulation to include non-member public works agencies and in 2016 should be going to agencies in all counties within the Chapter. Thanks to all those members who are making this effort to expand interest in APWA and our Chapter a success.

On October 6th, Chapter members Jeff Coleman, P.E. and Benedict Salanitro, P.E. visited Manhattan College and participated in their Fall Job and Internship Day in order to promote the benefits of a career in our profession.

In order to better serve our membership, please complete the short membership survey on the last page of this Newsletter and return it to our Secretary Jim Maxwell.

As my time as your Chapter President draws to a close, it is important to note the individual contributions of the members to our organization as well as the efforts of the contractors, vendors and consultants who support the Chapter’s activities throughout the year.

Tom
2016 Branch Officers

Long Island Branch

President
Thomas McAleer, Village of Valley Stream

Vice President
Kevin Conklin, Village of East Rockaway

Secretary
Thomas Rini, Village of Mineola

Treasurer
David O’Brien, Retired, Village of Garden City

Director
Keith Bunnell, Village of Williston Park

Director
Robert Duchnowski, Town of Hempstead

Past President
Dominick Longobardi, Town of Hempstead

Southeast New York Branch

President
Joseph Moran, P.E., Town of Orangetown

Vice President
Peter Sciliano, Town of Mount Pleasant

Secretary
Michal Nowak, Village of Rye Brook

Treasurer
Larry Brissing, Town of Stony Point

Director
James Statini, County of Westchester

Director
John Munroe, County of Rockland

Past President
Jeffrey Coleman, P.E., Town of Cortlandt

New Members Since July 1, 2015

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New York Metropolitan Chapter Celebrates Its 25 Anniversary

On November 5, 2015, the Chapter celebrated its 25th Anniversary during its Annual Awards Dinner at the Villa Barone, The Bronx, New York. Seventy Nine (79) members and guests were in attendance. Mike Sadowski provided some history on our organization beginning with the name of the Past Presidents. The New York Metro Chapter, including New Jersey was established in October 1944. In the late 1980’s, the State of New Jersey was considering forming its own Chapter and did so in September 1989. Soon after, that portion of New Jersey associated with the New York Metro Chapter, joined the newly formed New Jersey Chapter and the New York Metro Chapter became its own separate entity. The highlight of the evening was a 25 minute presentation by Tenor Christopher Macchio who, along with his assistant, performed a number of Christmas Holiday favorites as well as Frank Sinatra’s rendition of “New York, New York”.

Past President James Dean swears in 2016 Chapter President Stephen Munno from the Town of Orangetown

Region II Director and Past Chapter President Harry Weed reports on the latest activities at National

Peter Sciliano, Mt. Pleasant Highway Superintendent receives the David Caplan Award for 33 years of Public Works Service

Village of Valley Stream receives the Sustainability Practice Award
2015 Award Winners

**Caplan Award**

Peter Sciliano, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Mount Pleasant
Thomas Iacobellis, Maintenance Supervisor, (Auto), Town of Orangetown
Anthony Limandri, Highway Maintenance Supervisor I, Town of Orangetown

**Floyd F. Wilcox Award**

Karl Bohn, Highway Maintenance Supervisor I, Town of Orangetown
Anthony Perri, Highway Maintenance Supervisor I, Town of Stony Point

**Sustainability Practices Award**

Village of Valley Stream Energy Performance Improvement Project

**Public Works Official of the Year**

Ronald A. Carpenato, Director of Building, Code Enforcement and Land Use,
  Town of Mamaroneck

**Project of the Year**

Town of Orangetown Oak Tree Road Bridge Replacement Project

**Franklin D. Roosevelt Award**

James J. Dean, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Orangetown
2015 APWA Congress Well Attended

This year 12 Chapter members were in attendance at the Annual Congress and Exposition held in Phoenix Arizona from August 29th through September 2nd. President Thomas Rini accepted our 11th PACE Award since 2003 on behalf of the 227 members of our Chapter. In addition to our President, those present included Jim Maxwell, Secretary, Dominick Longobardi, Delegate, Past Presidents Lou Martirano and Peter Woodcock, SENY Chapter Director Peter Sciliano, SENY Branch Directors Jim Statini and Michal Nowak, Steve Johnson and Region II Director and Past Chapter President Harry Weed.

Full time registration for the Congress and Exposition was approximately 1,600 individuals. The annual Congress and Exposition event title was retired and the new designation for the annual conference is PWX. Next years PWX will take place in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Start thinking about planning to attend.
Chapter Members Visit Manhattan College Career Fair

Jeff Coleman PE, PTOE, Director of Environmental Services for the Town of Cortlandt and SENY Branch President and Benedict Salanitro, P.E., Superintendent of Public Works for the Village of Scarsdale and Past Chapter President visited Manhattan College for their October 6, 2015 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Career Fair. Approximately 250 students were in attendance. Jeff and Benny spoke with a number of students about career choices in both the public and private sectors including the numerous disciplines which fall under the heading of Public Works. Information was provided to students about private and public sector organizations in the region which have websites listing various career opportunities. Information received from National was also distributed including organization membership and student Chapters.

APWA Promotes Use of Social Media

APWA promotes the use of social media in four areas including InfoNOW Communities, facebook.com, @apwatweets, and @apwagram. Go to the Social Networks page at the APWA website (http://www.apwa.net/get_connected/social_networks) to learn more about how to use these valuable resources to increase knowledge and assist with performing everyday public works tasks.

The American Public Works Association Facebook page is very active and carries a number of posts on what is happening in various chapters. When visiting your Facebook page, take a few minutes to visit the APWA page also !!!!!
Under federal and state law, operators of certain underground storage tank (UST) systems must be trained in how to keep the USTs in compliance with applicable regulatory requirements. Facilities with these tanks must register the names and authorization numbers of their Class A and Class B Operators with DEC no later than October 11, 2016. To become authorized, these Operators must be trained and must pass a DEC-administered exam that demonstrates their competence to operate these tank systems. NYSDEC is offering the authorization exam online. Operators will have one year to become authorized by passing the exam and then designated for specific facilities. Once authorized by DEC, facilities may designate them as the Operators for their specific facilities. Operators become designated for specific facilities by having the owner (or authorized representative) submit a registration application (or license application for MOSFs) to DEC that includes the Operator’s name and authorization number (this process is treated as an information update with no fee). To emphasize, only operators of certain USTs are required to become trained and pass the DEC exam. For example, this requirement does not apply to operators of USTs storing heating oil for consumptive on-site use (e.g., underground heating oil tanks in apartment buildings). The training and testing requirements apply to operators of USTs subject to the requirements of NYS regulations 6 NYCRR Subpart 613-2 (which are applicable to Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) and Major Oil Storage Facilities (MOSF)) and 6 NYCRR Part 596 (Chemical Bulk Storage (CBS)). These are USTs with a capacity greater than 110 gallons that are used to most commonly store a petroleum motor fuel (e.g., gasoline, diesel, jet fuel, etc.) or any UST used to store a hazardous substance (e.g., methanol, caustic soda, acetone, etc.) listed in Part 597. In the past, facilities had a single, overall "operator." The regulations maintain the concept of an overall facility operator but now also includes Class A, B, and C Operators which only apply to facilities with UST systems covered by the training requirements as described above. For facilities that do not have UST systems covered by the training requirements, these facilities will continue to have a single and overall facility operator.

For full information and details visit the following website:
http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/102202.html

Center for Sustainability

The Center for Sustainability provides tools and resources to APWA members and community leaders that allow decision makers to implement more sustainable, economically sound, and socially responsible long-term solutions.

To that end, the Center is pleased to publish its first issue of “Sustainable Practices in Public Works” – a collaborative project with the APWA Technical Committees. Use the following link to read the complete Article:
City of Yonkers Takes Advantage of Cost Free Emergency Management Training

On October 21 and 22, 2015 the City of Yonkers Department of Public Works held Emergency Management Training for Public Works and other Departments. The course, “Disaster Management for Public Services” was provided by the Federal Department of Homeland Security/FEMA National Training Program, Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), Texas A & M University System and the National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center (NERRTC). The session was arranged by the City Public Works Department and the Westchester County Association of Municipal Public Works Administrators. For additional information on cost free emergency management training go to: https://teexweb.tamu.edu/

New York Metro Chapter Members Visits Equipment Rental Facility


The visit included a tour of the 109,000 square foot facility, a view of the product line and demonstrations, insight on a variety of project applications, a meeting with technical and sales representatives. 

40 Public Works, Parks, Fire, Police, Water, Sanitation, State Park Police and others attended the “Disaster Management for Public Services” course.
Calendar of Events

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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. Check out the website at:  [www.apwa.net/membership](http://www.apwa.net/membership)

Jim Maxwell
Chapter Secretary
2016

AWARDS PROGRAM

APWA’s Awards Program recognizes individuals, groups and chapters for their outstanding contributions to the profession of public works. Some of the awards presented include Professional Manager of the Year Awards, Young Leader, Public Works Project of the Year, and Top Ten Public Works Leader of the Year, to name just a few.

Each award is listed on the APWA website. Criteria and nomination forms for the 2016 Awards Program are now available online.

NOMINATE YOUR AWARD-WINNER TODAY!

NOMINATIONS ARE DUE MARCH 1, 2016

Visit www.apwa.net/awards
TAKE THE NEXT STEP NOW!

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Certified Stormwater Manager (CSM)

The purpose of the Stormwater Manager Certification is to promote excellence and commitment to public service by advancing the knowledge and practice of stormwater management to benefit the community, public agencies and the profession.

The Certified Stormwater Manager is intended for experts in the public and private sectors who coordinate and implement stormwater management programs for city, county, state, provincial, and federal agencies. These individuals assist in administering drainage, flood control, and water quality programs.

Water quality programs include state and federal permit requirements related to stormwater runoff including management of public education, illicit discharges, erosion control, post-development runoff BMPs, system maintenance, water quality monitoring, data analysis, and reporting. Drainage and flood control programs include operational maintenance of drainage systems, planning and construction of capital improvements, and basic knowledge of flood plain management.

These individuals may also be involved in budgetary oversight, long-term planning, policy development, and other administrative activities.

Step 1: Applying for Eligibility
To demonstrate eligibility, candidates must submit an application documenting the completion of one of the following education and work experience pathways:

- High school graduation or equivalent and 7 years of relevant work experience*
- Associate’s degree or equivalent trade school certificate and 5 years of relevant work experience*
- Bachelor’s degree and 3 years of relevant work experience*
- Master’s degree and 2 years of relevant work experience*
- Doctoral degree and 1 year of relevant work experience*

*Relevant work experience is that performed within or for a public entity in one or more aspects of stormwater management as defined in the CSM target audience description and illustrated in the CSM Content Outline.

Eligibility Application Fee: $195 APWA members; $245 nonmembers

Step 2: Taking the Exam
Exams are administered computer-based directly to the candidate at their place of employment. The exam consists of 150 multiple-choice questions based on the CSM Content Outline. Candidates are given a minimum of 3.5 hours to complete the exam. Preparation for the exam includes review of the CSM Content Outline and Recommended Reading List.

Exam Application Fee: $500 Place of Employment Administration; $550 Testing Center Administration

Step 3: Navigating Recertification
After successful completion of the exam, candidates become certified for a period of five years. Prior to the end of the five-year period, Certified Stormwater Managers must complete a minimum of 100 credits earned through a combination of continuing education and contributions to the profession.

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Member Survey

Your Chapter Executive Board is requesting your input in order to enhance your American Public Works Association / New York Metro Chapter membership. Please make a copy of this page, answer the questions and fax to me at the number below OR, copy the page, answer the questions, scan the document and return it to me by e-mail at the address below.

Thank You

James Maxwell
Chapter Secretary
Jimax153@optonline.net
or fax to: 914-239-8642

1. Do you believe the Chapter is providing the proper level of training, education and networking opportunities  (circle one)  YES  NO

2. If NO, what can the Chapter do to improve you membership experience ?

3. Have you attended a branch meeting or the Chapter Annual General Membership meeting in either 2014 or 2015.  (circle one)  YES  NO

4. Have you attended the Annual Snow Conference in the last 3 years (circle one) YES  NO

5. Have you attended the Congress and Exposition in the last 3 years (circle one) YES  NO

6. Are you from the: (circle one) PUBLIC SECTOR PRIVATE SECTOR RETIRED

7. Over the next 5 years, what are your thoughts as to how your Chapter / APWA can improve its service to the membership ?

8. Additional Comments:

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