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# **MARCH 2025 NEWSLETTER**

AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION MISSOURI CHAPTER

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# UPCOMING EVENTS



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Please click the below to submit your Newsletter content at least one week prior to the end of the month. Thank you for helping us stay on schedule!

<u>KELLEY DAVIS</u> - NEWSLETTER EDITOR HDR

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### APWA NEWS

### LETTER TO MEMBERSHIP

#### Dear APWA Missouri Chapter Members,

Spring is just around the corner, and I couldn't be more relieved! Residents of Olivette are used to mild winters, so when the two storms hit early this year, my phone was ringing nonstop with frustrated calls. People complained that our operators had plowed "city snow" in front of their driveways and deliberately blocked their mailboxes. Ah, the joys and challenges of public service!

The upcoming spring conference will take place in Cape Girardeau April 9-11. The planning committee has been hard at work crafting another engaging and informative conference program. If you're planning to attend, we encourage you to consider volunteering to help the committee with their efforts. Your involvement will be greatly appreciated and contribute to the success of the conference. Be sure to check the website regularly for updates!

Be sure to mark your calendars for Chicago PWX 2025, happening from August 17-20! We expect that many of you will be able to attend and the board is planning fun Chapter events to complement the conference.

This year, we're excited to offer a new class for field-level staff interested in learning more about paving materials. Rick Biermann from the Missouri Asphalt Paving Association will be teaching Introduction to Paving Materials: Asphaltic Concrete on May 7th. The class will cover the history of bitumen use in paving and explore modern mix designs. One of my goals is to plan courses that bridge the gap between everyday Public Works operations and engineering design.

Volunteers are the key to the Missouri Chapter, and I encourage everyone to take time to contribute to our continued success whether on a committee, board position or event. If you're interested in joining the Education and Training committee or any other group, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly at <u>bmcgregor@OlivetteMO.com</u>. Your involvement is invaluable to us, and together, we can make a meaningful difference in our communities.

Regards,

Bruce McGregor Education and Training Missouri Chapter of APWA <u>BMcGregor@OlivetteMO.com</u> 314-994-2451



### **FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING MINUTES**

#### <u>St. Louis Branch Meeting Minutes</u> <u>February 26, 2025</u>

Chair Loos called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and released everyone to lunch starting with the head table.

Chair Loos welcomed everyone in attendance and gave a special thanks to Orlandos for hosting. He brought the committee signups and suggested signing up.

Chris Linneman thanked everyone that attended Engineering Day at the Capitol. It was a great day with almost 100 people.

Chair Loos informed the group about the Construction Inspectors Course. The class has one open spot. If interested, email Jim Eckrich; online registration is no longer being accepted. Classes begin March 5 and run 3 consecutive weeks

STL Work Zone Awareness 5K is April 19th at 8 AM at the MoDOT TMC. The race is timed 5K, 1-Mile Fun Run, or Virtual Participant. Here is the link to sign up: <u>https://runsignup.com/Race/MO/Chesterfield/WorkzoneAwareness5K</u>

#### **Continuing Education and Training**

Chair Loos informed the group about several education and training opportunities listed below.

- Public Works Director Roundtables which will be after March's meeting.
- Superintendent Roundtables will continue in 2025, dates TBD.
- Work Zone Safety & Flagger Training
  - March 12, 2025 (7:30 AM to 11:30 AM)
  - 1140 Dieman Road, Olivette, MO 63132
- Bucket Truck Safety Training
  - April 29, 2025 (7:30 AM to 11:30 AM)
  - 1140 Dieman Road, Olivette, MO 63132
- Worker Safety Training
  - May 2, 2025 (7:30 AM to 11:30 AM)
  - 1140 Dieman Road, Olivette, MO 63132
- Introduction to Paving Materials Asphaltic Concrete
  - May 15, 2025 (7:30 AM to 11:30 AM)
  - 1140 Dieman Road, Olivette, MO 63132

#### **Special Events and Activities**

Jeff Banderet report the next activities will be Puttshack, on March 5th at 5:30-7:30 PM. Please make sure to RSVP so we can get the correct number of tee times.

He also announced seeing Arch Rival Roller Derby April 26. More details to follow.

### **Puttshack**



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### FEBRUARY 2025 MEETING MINUTES (CONT.)

#### Advocacy and Outreach

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Chair Loos announced for Travis Helmkamp that the first fundraiser of 2025 will be at the May BBQ. Contact Travis with donations at travis.helmkamp@oatesassociates.com.

#### Ken Yost Golf Tournament

Jim Klein reported they are exploring other venues for the golf tournament. The dates are flexible right now but targeting a Monday in September.

#### Awards and Historical Committee (Missouri Chapter)

Chair Loos reported the Vince Tallo Awards recipients will be recognized at June luncheon. Applications are due May 1.

#### <u>Missouri Chapter</u>

Tricia Bohler reported that registration for the Spring Conference Spring Conference – April 9-11, Cape Girardeau, MO. The hotel link will end March 8th. When booking hotel, change the date to 9-11th. The tables have a save the date for Fall Conference for October 1-3, Lake of the Ozarks, MO.

Chair Loos reminded the group to renew your sponsorships to continue your support of our chapter. Companies need to renew online, confirm with Paula Hart, and then send your logo to Kelley Davis.

Chair Loos provided information about the Chapter Awards. The Scholarship deadline is April 1 and the Award Nominations deadline this year is August 29.

Chair Loos reminded the group to email Contact Jacque Knight for email announcements or job postings and then Kelley Davis for items for the newsletter.

#### <u>Guests:</u>

- Blake Deckard, City of Wentzville
- Scott Schaefer, City Administrator of City of Des Peres

#### Prize winners:

- Alex Weidenbenner
- Brandi Ball

#### <u>Speaker</u>

Vice Chair David Stewart introduced the speaker, Colin Kinkade. Colin is the Assistant Director of Municipal League of Metro St. Louis. He updated the group on the state legislative session.

Following the presentation, David presented Pat with a certificate of appreciation and gift card and turned the meeting back over to Chair Loos.

Chair Loos announced the next Branch meeting will be held at Orlando's on March 20, 2025. That will be the third Thursday of March and will be a joint meeting with SAME. The speaker will be from the National Weather Service.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:52 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Theresa Goetz, Secretary



### **APWA NEWS**

### **MO CHAPTER APWA SPONSORSHIP**

#### Dear Potential Sponsor,

The American Public Works Association (APWA) exists to develop and support the people, agencies, and organizations that plan, build, maintain, and improve our communities. Just as communities count on their public works professionals, APWA strives to be the organization those professionals know they can count on.

We invite you to become a 2025 sponsor of the APWA Missouri Chapter and partner with our organization to further our mutual goals. Please note that by Sponsoring the Chapter, you are also sponsoring the St. Louis Branch of APWA. There are many events that the Chapter pays the branch to support branch activities.

The APWA Missouri Chapter, established in 1958, engages in the same educational, networking and public service activities as our national parent organization, but we do so close to home where members can easily take advantage of our programs. The Missouri Chapter offers members various opportunities to attend educational programs, biannual conferences, and equipment shows as well as chances to network with their colleagues and peers in a professional setting. Missouri Chapter members represent every discipline in the public works field including public works directors and engineers, contractors, engineering consultants, material and equipment suppliers, public works street superintendents, project managers, stormwater professionals, and many others.

Missouri Chapter APWA is offering your organization an opportunity to share in our mission and success through sponsorship. Annual sponsorships for 2025 offer a wide range of opportunities to fit every company's marketing budget. Your sponsorship promotes and enables the educational mission and goals of the Missouri Chapter, and can also enable enhanced relationships with existing clients, facilitate new relationships with potential clients and strengthen your visibility in the statewide public works industry.

Please take a moment to review the following sponsorship information, including the benefits of sponsorship, and consider choosing a level that best fits your abilities and company's budget. The benefits will be applied for the entire calendar year of 2025.

#### <u>Silver Level: \$150</u>

- Special recognition at Chapter conferences in the spring and fall
- Sponsor's name printed on Chapter conference agendas in the spring and fall
- Special recognition on APWA Missouri Chapter website and monthly newsletters

#### Gold Level: \$500

- All benefits of Silver Level Sponsor, plus:
- Opportunity to write an article for the Chapter newsletter once per year

#### <u> Platinum Level: \$1,000+</u>

- All benefits of Gold Level Sponsor, plus:
- One conference registration and vendor booth for the 2025 spring or fall Chapter conference

To sponsor Missouri Chapter APWA for 2025, use the following link where payment method can be selected which includes check or credit card:(<u>PAYMENT LINK</u>). The APWA Missouri Chapter is a division of the APWA national organization, which is a not-for-profit, 510 (c) (3) organization. APWA's Federal Tax Identification Number 36-2202880

If you have any questions, please contact me at (660) 349-5757 or via e-mail at <u>mteel@greatriv.com</u>.

Thank you for considering a 2025 sponsorship of the APWA Missouri Chapter!

Kindest Regards, APWA Missouri Vice President Michael Teel Great River Engineering Tel: (660) 349-5757 Email: <u>mteel@greatriv.com</u>



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### APWA MO CHAPTER ADVOCACY UPDATE

For questions, comments or additional information contact Colten Harris at charris@springfieldmo.gov

#### National Public Works Week - May 18-24, 2025

The Missouri Chapter of the APWA recognizes the importance of National Public Works Week in promotion of the public works profession, and those activities related to the profession. To encourage members in promoting National Public Works Week, the Chapter will provide members a variety of items for use in hosting Public Works Week promotional events and activities.



#### The funding limit per agency is \$200.

The cost and quantity of available per item are listed on the Order Form.

All items will be shipped for delivery directly to your agency contact.

#### Orders need to be received by Monday April 7, 2025

The items available include Stickers, Workbooks, Balloons, Pencils, Comic Books, Temporary Tattoos, Posters and the latest Missouri Proclamation. You can view these ite<u>ms on-line in</u> th<u>e store</u> of the National APWA website <u>at www.apwa.org</u>

Please let us know what activities that your organization promoted during National Public Works Week. We will post the events on the chapter website.



### APWA MO CHAPTER OUTREACH

### 2024 Salvation Army Donation

On December 23rd, 2024 members of the Mid-MO Group presented a check to Major Sarah Windell of the Salvation Army Jefferson City in the amount of \$3,700.

This was the proceeds from the Ken Stumpf Memorial Golf Tournament held in Fulton in August of 2024.

Thanks to all that played in and sponsored the golf tournament!



Pictured are Major Sarah Windell of the Salvation Army with APWA Members Mike Teel, Eric Landwehr, Dennis Heckman, Bob Gilbert and Dillon Feely.



CALENDAR

### CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

| DATE                           | EVENT   | LOCATION                         |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| March 5, 2025                  | Concrete Pavements Seminar                              | Fabick - Fenton, MO              |
| March 20, 2025                 | March SAME Joint Luncheon                               | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| April 9, 2025 - April 11, 2025 | Missouri Spring Conference                              | Cape Girardeau, MO               |
| April 19, 2025                 | Work Zone Awareness Run                                 | MoDOT TMC - Chesterfield, MO     |
| April 24, 2025                 | April Luncheon<br>& Public Works Directors<br>Rountable | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| TBD                            | May BBQ   | TBD                              |
| June 26, 2025                  | June Awards Luncheon                                    | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| July 24, 2025                  | July Luncheon - Bring Your Intern!                      | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| August 28, 2025                | August APA Joint Luncheon                               | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| September 18, 2025             | September Luncheon                                      | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| October 23, 2025               | October SITE Joint Luncheon                             | Orlando's - Maryland Heights, MO |
| TBD                            | December Holiday Party                                  | TBD                              |





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### CALENDAR

### **CONCRETE PAVEMENTS SEMINAR**



### WED MARCH 5, 2025

7:30am - 2:30pm

### **FABICK** One Fabick Drive, Fenton, MO 63026

### COST:

\$100 Members, Government Agencies & Non-Profit

\$125 Non-members

Please make checks payable to: Concrete Council 7711 Bonhomme Avenue, Suite 310 St. Louis, MO 63105



### **CREDITS AVAILABLE**

6 PDH's or 6 CEU's

### RSVP

by Monday, February 25, 2025

### CONTACT

Nick Benedick if you have questions or need additional information about the event

⊠ <u>email nick</u>

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### **PUTT-PUTT SPECTACLE**



#### **RSVP: JBANDERET@GREATRIV.COM**



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### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### **APWA MO Construction Inspection Course**

Event Time: March 5, 12, & 19, 2025 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

Snow Makeup Day - March 26, 2025

Location: Chesterfield City Hall 690 Chesterfield Parkway West Chesterfield, MO 63017

#### **Topic:**

Generally offered every two years, this three-day live workshop, facilitated by top industry professionals, will teach you what is needed for your organization to get the job done safely, on time, and within budget. The course is presented in modular segments to meet the specific needs of the audience. Each student will be provided a manual for future reference.

The Construction Inspection Course will be packed with conventional inspection techniques as well as the latest information from the construction inspection industry. The instructors will supplement the information contained in the Manual with practical techniques and real-world examples.

#### Included:

- Construction Inspection Manual for future reference
- Program materials
- Certificate of completion
- Excellent instructors from industry experts including Jesse Jonas, Glenn Smith, Anne Lamitola & Mike Geisel
- Lunches and snacks provided

Registration: \$200 per person - 55 spots total and only a few are left!

Email or call Jim Eckrich to register: J<u>Eckrich@chesterfield.mo.us</u> (636) 537-4764



### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Work Zone Safety & Flagger

Date: March 12, 2025 (7:30am - 11:30am) Location: 1140 Dielman Road, 63132

Topic: This course explains work zone operations and outlines the roles and responsibilities of workers tasked with flagging operations.

#### **REGISTER HERE**

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#### **Bucket Truck Safety**

Date: April 29, 2025 (7:30am - 11:30am) 1140 Dielman Road, 63132



#### **REGISTER HERE**

#### Worker Safety Training

Date: May 2, 2025 (7:30am - 11:30am) Location: 1140 Dielman Road, 63132



Topic: Safety procedures for the workplace on a variety of topics

#### **REGISTER HERE**

#### Introduction to Paving Materials - Asphaltic Concrete

Date: May 15, 2025 7:30AM-11:30AM Location: 1140 Dielman Rd, 63132



Topic: History, mix design, production and placement of asphaltic concrete. This class is designed for crew leaders and field level staff who are interested in learning about materials and engineering

#### **REGISTRATION AVAILABLE SOON**



**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTORS ROUNDTABLE** 

### **Attention Public Works Directors!**

### Join the Spring 2025 Public Works Directors Roundtable



March 20,2024 at 10:00 AM before the March Luncheon

Location: Orlando's 2050 Dorsett Village Drive Maryland Heights, MO 63043

Come share ideas with your colleagues!

Contact Rick Brown (<u>rick@cityofwildwood.com</u>) to suggest discussion topics.



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### **APWA MISSOURI FEBRUARY LUNCHEON**

St. Louis Branch APWA Luncheon Thursday, March 20, 2025

Networking starting at 11:30 a.m. Lunch at Noon Cost is \$25

Location: Orlando's 2050 Dorsett Village Drive Maryland Heights, MO 63043

Joint Lunch with Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)



Credit Card Payment in Advance is highly encouraged and will result in express check-in. Payment at the door will be accepted by cash or check. Credit Cards cannot be accepted at the door.

REGISTER HERE

<u>https://missouri.apwa.org/event/joint-lunch-with-society-of-military-engineers-same/</u>

Please register by March 14, 2025, at 4 PM!

To register for an event:

Sign in to your APWA National account.

The Sign In tab is located in the upper right corner of the page. Click Sign In and enter your username and password.

Once you enter your username and password, click Register Now and you will be directed to the registration page for that event.

There is NO COST to create an account and you are NOT required to be a member of APWA.



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**SPRING CONFERENCE 2025: APRIL 4-11** 

# Missouri APWA Spring Conference 2025 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Wed 4/9/25 - Fri 4/11/25 <u>Drury Plaza Hotel Cape</u> <u>Girardeau Conference Center</u> Cape Girardeau, MO





# Conference Registration:

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Book your room:

Hotel registration link is closing on 3/8!

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WORK ZONE AWARENESS RUN

### ST. LOUIS 2025 WORK ZONE RUN AWARENESS RUN Timed 5K, 1-Mile Fun Run,

or Virtual Participant

# SAT., APRIL 19 @ 8 A.M.

MoDOT Transportation Management Center 14301 S Outer Forty Road Chesterfield, MO 63017

# Register to run here.

runsignup.com/Race/MO/Chesterfield/WorkzoneAwareness5K

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**EMPLOYMENT** 

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**



JOB POSTING - CITY OF COLUMBIA Utilities Engineer \$70,935 - \$103,566

The City of Columbia seeks a full time utilities engineer to work in the Sewer Engineering department and may perform some work related to Storm Water Engineering. The purpose of this job is to provide professional engineering design, maintenance, and technical support. Ensures proper function, adequate capacity and regulatory Compliance.

Utilities Engineer

# WEBSTER GROVES

#### JOB POSTING - CITY OF WEBSTER GROVES Engineering Technician \$66,732 - \$93,421

The City of Webster Groves Public Works team takes pride in executing the traditional functions of Public Works while providing excellent customer service.

The Department of Public Works oversees a number of services through its Engineering & Administration and Street Divisions. Engineering technician in this department.

#### MORE INFO





### **EMPLOYMENT**

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### JOB POSTING - CITY OF BRENTWOOD Public Works Supervisor \$78,044 - \$83,366

Plans, organizes, directs and supervises the maintenance and repair of city streets and equipment. Oversees the Sewer Lateral functions of the City and vehicle maintenance. This also includes the supervision of sanitation drivers; daily schedules, maintenance of trash equipment, procedures related to refuse collection, establishing routes, ensuring safety of operators and equipment, purchasing related to the sanitation functions.

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CITY OF WARMTH

#### JOB POSTING - CITY OF CLAYTON Engineering Interns \$18.00 - \$19.00/hr

The City of Clayton is seeking applicants for one (1) transportation and one (1) facility/fleet summer interns. These positions perform duties and responsibilities commonly assigned to entry-level engineering employees.

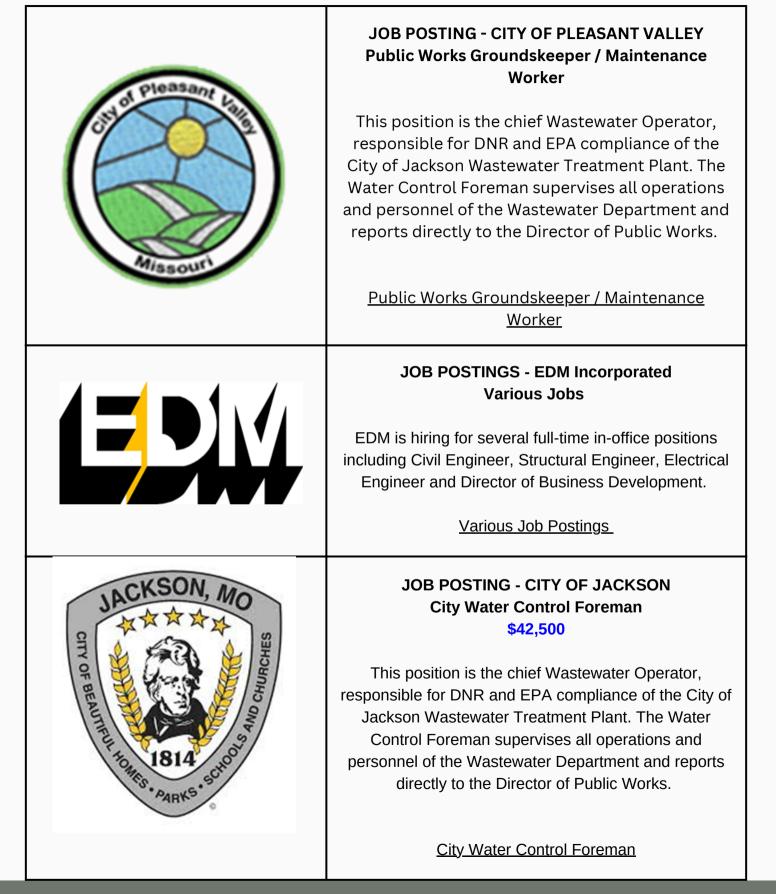
Engineering Interns





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### WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



### Recognizing the Role of Women in Public Works

March is National Women's History Month, a time dedicated to celebrating the contributions of women throughout history and across all sectors of society. One of the most impactful yet often overlooked areas where women have made significant strides is in public works. From civil engineering and infrastructure development to urban planning and transportation, women have played a crucial role in shaping the communities we live in today.

Historically, the field of public works was male-dominated, but over the years, women have broken barriers to become engineers, project managers, policymakers, and leaders in the industry. Women like Emily Warren Roebling, who oversaw the completion of the Brooklyn Bridge, and Ellen Swallow Richards, a pioneer in environmental engineering, paved the way for future generations. Today, women continue to make their mark, contributing to critical projects that enhance public safety, sustainability, and economic growth.

Despite these achievements, challenges remain. Women in public works often face gender disparities in leadership roles and technical fields. Efforts to increase representation and encourage young women to pursue careers in engineering, construction, and public service are crucial for fostering diversity and innovation in the industry. Organizations such as the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) and Women in Transportation (WTS) provide mentorship, networking, and advocacy to support women in these fields.

As we celebrate Women's History Month, it is important to recognize the impact of women in public works and continue to promote equitable opportunities. Their contributions are essential to the development of resilient and inclusive infrastructure that benefits society as a whole. By supporting women in these roles, we ensure a stronger, more innovative future for public works and beyond.

For more information visit: <u>https://www.womenshistorymonth.gov/</u>