



November 2011 Delegate Report
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Last month has been quiet following the Congress. The Directors met in Bangor for their yearly Director's Dinner on October 21st.

International Collaborative Committee

The article written by Rob Robinson of Manchester New Hampshire and I which was submitted to APWA was approved and will appear in the November APWA Reporter. The article is named *An International Collaboration Committee Task Force Learns from Toronto's Success*.

November 15, 2012 Deadline for Jennings Randolph International Fellowship Program - Funded through Eisenhower World Affairs Institute

The APWA International Affairs Committee is pleased to announce the call for applicants for the 2012 Jennings Randolph International Fellowship Program. In 2011, four APWA members were funded for study tours in Australia, Mexico, and the Slovak and Czech Republics. It is the intent of the International Affairs Committee (IAC) to award fellowships each year for APWA members to travel to countries with which APWA has formal international partnerships with other public works associations.

Applications are now being accepted for 2012 for the following locations:

- ICLEI-Mexico – generally one national conference and two-three regional conferences during the year
- Association of Local Government Engineering New Zealand Incorporated (INGENIUM – New Zealand) – June 2012

To be eligible for 2012 fellowships, **applications must be received at APWA headquarters by midnight on November 15, 2011**. The successful applicant(s) will be notified by the end of January 2012. To access the Jennings Randolph Fund Guidelines and the application form, click on this link (<http://www.apwa.net/About/International/>) or contact Gail Clark at 202-218-6732 or gclark@apwa.net

2012 Awards Program Webcast on Electronic Submittals

On Thursday, November 10th at 2:00 pm central time and on Tuesday, November 15th at 2:00 pm central time there will be a webcast to go over the electronic submittal process of award nominations. Each webcast will cover the same content but we are offering two dates for your convenience. To participate in either of these webcasts please contact Rhonda Wilhite at rwilhite@apwa.net or 800-848-2792 ext. 5261 and let her know which day you are interested in and instructions will be sent to you on how to participate.

2012 Chapter/Branch Officers & Chapter Profile Information Due December 1, 2011

As chapter and branches elect new officers for 2012, those new officers should be reported

Executive Committee

Officers:

President

Mike Claus
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Oak Engineers
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Delegate

Eric Labelle
Assistant Director
Portland Public Services

Directors:

Galen "Chip" Swan
Public Works Director
Hampden, ME

Peter Owen
Public Works Director
Bath, ME

Dennis Cox
Public Works Director
Millinocket, ME

Robert Seelye
Public Works Director
Calais, ME

Steve Johnson
Oak Engineers
Portland, ME

Steve Walker
Greenman-Pedersen

Mike Bobinsky
Director of Public Services
Portland, ME

Stewart Sevey
H.P. Fairfield, Inc.
Skowhegan, ME

Megan Bates
Deputy Public Works
Director
Lewiston, ME

Shawn Bennett
Road Commissioner
Pownal, ME

Craig Worth
Transportation Director
Brunswick Schools

Honorary Director
Guy W. Melcher, Jr

Other Associations

Maine Local Roads Center
Peter M. Coughlan

by December 1, 2011, to Rhonda Wilhite at rwilhite@apwa.net or by using the Chapter Officer Reporting Tool located in the Chapter Leader Resources area of the APWA website under Chapter Management then Leadership Tools. Receiving your list of 2012 chapter officers by December 1, 2011 will enable us to update our database and keep the lines of communication open to the chapter/branch leaders from APWA staff. Along with your executive committee positions we are specifically interested in obtaining your Delegate and Alternate Delegate, Membership, Diversity, Advocacy/Government Affairs, Education, Website, Scholarship and technical committee chairs if applicable.

Another document that should be checked for accuracy once a year is found beneath the Chapter Officer Reporting Tool and that is the Chapter Profile Reporting Tool. You will select your chapter to view its profile. A box on the page with the title "Requested Changes" is provided for you to submit any changes. Updating your chapter profile will help new members learn about their chapter.

If you have any questions or need additional assistance using the tools mentioned above please contact Rhonda Wilhite at 800-848-2792 ext. 5261 or by email at rwilhite@apwa.net.

October/November Issue of Bridges the Newsletter for Chapter Leaders

The October/November issue of Bridges has been posted on the APWA Website under <http://www2.apwa.net/Documents/Chapters/Bridges/Bridges11OctNov.pdf>

Chapter Articles for Bridges

If any chapters would like to submit an article on Leadership for an example what you have learned about your national office or chapter as a chapter officer or APWA Resources you have used and find most helpful or how the chapter moves into the incoming officers anything on leadership you would like to share with the other chapters can be submitted to Chapter Relations for consideration for the December 2011/January 2012 issue.

The deadline for submission is November 28, 2011 please email them to Rhonda Wilhite at rwilhite@apwa.net.

Tips for Membership Recruiting/Retention

Use your chapter or branch newsletter as part of your outreach program. Not for recruiting new members, but for promoting public works in general.

Some chapters print hard copies of their newsletter and make sure that a number of copies are put at City Hall, on chairs prior to a City or County Council meeting, in the library, at the Department of Motor Vehicles and in other public agency offices. One chapter has found the mayor enjoys being able to highlight what the public works department has been doing. It is also a way to publicize public works departments and individuals and projects that win awards, either in your chapter or nationally.

So, just when you thought a hard-copy newsletter was a dinosaur, and no one wanted a printed newsletter any longer, along comes a reason to print at least a minimum number of your next newsletter.

Headlines for October 31, 2011

- **2012 Sustainability in Public Works Conference - Exhibit Sales are NOW OPEN!**

- **ISI Prepares for a Jan. '12 release of the EnvISION Sustainable Infrastructure Rating System**
- **Donald C. Stone Center for Leadership Excellence in Public Works: Call for Applicants Deadline - November 7**

Upcoming Events

November Events

The New AASHTO Transportation "Green Book"

November 10, Audio/Web Broadcast

How to Train Your Fleet (Rebroadcast)

November 15, Audio/Web Broadcast

December Events

Clients and Consultants - How to Work Together for the Best Possible Project

December 8, Audio/Web Broadcast

Got Potholes? Infrared Asphalt Restoration Is Your Solution (Rebroadcast)

December 13, Audio/Web Broadcast

Reality Check on Leadership: Systems Thinking for Leaders

December 15, Audio/Web Broadcast