American Public Works Association
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2016 Spring Conference

**May 11–13, 2016**
Grand View Lodge and Conference Center, Nisswa, Minnesota

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The days are longer, the breeze is stronger, and our local news stations are doing no better than Punxsutawney Phil in predicting what Mother Nature has in store for us. It must be time to start making your plans for the 2016 APWA Minnesota Chapter Spring Conference! As is our custom, we will hold our event at Grandview Lodge on Gull Lake the week before Fishing Opener: May 11–13. Your Conference Committee has put together a program that will speak to many aspects of your personality:

**For the Developing Leader:**
Thursday morning features two sessions with Kimberly Miller: “Perfecting Your Show” and “Getting Out of Your Own Way”. Dr. Miller is a licensed psychologist and an organizational consultant who has provided a variety of consulting services to nonprofits, law enforcement agencies, hospitals, treatment centers, and banks. Her concepts are designed to strengthen and improve not only the individual line-level employee skills but also work to improve supervision, management, and the entire organization. For more information, check out her website: www.kimberlymillerconsulting.com

**For the Inner Geek/Techie:**
The Wednesday evening keynote features Tom Fisher, professor and director of the Metropolitan Design Center at the University of Minnesota, discussing the hot topic of driverless cars. Get caught up on the latest from the front lines of this ever-changing technological and social discussion—from what implementation obstacles remain to what impacts this concept (soon to be reality) could have on the way we plan for and maintain public works.

**To Fill the Need to Be “In The Know”:**
Several sessions touch on public works happenings in our area—planning for the Vikings’ new practice facility in Eagan, Smart Cities project to inventory our existing infrastructure, legislative happenings and updates from the Minnesota DOT. Impress your public works colleagues with how much your finger is on the pulse of our community!

**For the APWA Active Member:**
Lots happening with APWA in Minnesota, both at the Chapter level and nationally. We have a contingent of FOUR national/regional AWPA representatives (including the new Executive Director) slated to attend and network with us! A lot of planning and organizing for PWX is underway—updates on that will abound, both formally and informally. On the Chapter level, we have a multitude of education and training components continuing to support our members, and Thursday will see the graduation of this year’s Leadership Academy.

**For the Giver in You:**
This year’s conference brings, for the first time, a service project on Thursday afternoon! The US Army Corps of Engineers need some help restoring split rail fence at the Gull Lake Recreation Area that was severely damaged in last year’s storm. Be sure to indicate your willingness to participate when you complete your registration, and bring some work gloves and hand tools.

And it goes without saying, of course, that all these things coupled with the retreat-style setting and cabin/lodge structure provides a great environment to connect with others in your public works community. Whether it is learning together, dining together, working together or just plain being social, there’s no better opportunity to develop and rekindle relationships that form your professional network. Come join us!

Jupe Hale, City of Maple Grove, Co-Chair  
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Program Agenda

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

3:00–6:00 p.m. Registration and Check-In Norway Lobby
5:00 Get-Acquainted Reception Norway Deck
6:00 Dinner Norway, Birch, Oak Room
7:00 Welcome by Chapter President and National Representatives Norway, Birch, Oak Room
Larry Stevens, APWA Past President
Ron Calkins, APWA President Elect
Chuck Williams, APWA Region VI Director
Scott Grayson, APWA Executive Director

7:15 Sponsor Recognition and PWX Update
Steve Albrecht, City of Burnsville; Jeannine Clancy, Metropolitan Council Environmental Services; Angela Popenhagen, Stevens Engineers, Inc.

7:20 Don’t Get Run Over by Driverless Cars, the Impact of Autonomous Vehicles on Public Works
Moderator: Jupe Hale, City of Maple Grove
Tom Fisher, University of Minnesota
Driverless cars will be here sooner than most people think and they will have a dramatic effect on public works, including the dimensions of roadways, the requirements for parking, and the capacity of infrastructure. This technology will change how Minnesotans commute, whether we will own vehicles, and how our future city streets and freeways will look. One hundred years ago, Minnesota had transitioned from a horse-based to a horseless-carriage-based transportation system within fifteen years, and with driverless technology already available in cars, the same rapid transition will happen again, probably in even less time. Tom Fisher will describe the effect of driverless technology on cities and the need for parking ramps and surface lots, as well as on-street parking and even residential garages and driveways. Tom will also briefly discuss the winners and losers of driverless technology.

Thursday, May 12, 2016

8:00 a.m. Opening Norway, Birch, Oak Room
Moderator: Beverly Farraher, City of Saint Paul
Perfecting Your Show
Kimberly Miller, Kimberly A. Miller & Associates, LLC
All of us have a particular way we “show up” every day in our personal and professional lives. Although we may be cognizant of this, to a large extent we don’t believe we have full control over our level of engagement, attitude, approach or interactions with others. Stated simply, when things are good, we feel/act good, and when things are bad we feel entitled to feel/act bad. What we fail to realize is that we actually have the ability to control how we think and feel (our “show”), and thus the results we produce. This course will take participants through a journey toward realizing the ways they give their power away, operate from the victim role and let others dictate how they feel and behave. We will also explore how to regain personal power, take real responsibility for the energy we bring to all situations, set effective boundaries, and learn why it’s important to “tell a new story.” By the end of the course participants will have a new perspective on themselves and others and have the strategies they need to be successful despite any circumstances.

9:30 Break

9:45 Getting Out of Your Own Way: How to Take Your Leadership to the Next Level
Kimberly Miller, Kimberly A. Miller & Associates, LLC
Although there is no doubt that leaders at all levels are faced with personnel and organizational challenges, the reality is that it is a leader’s own “stuff” that always creates the biggest problems. We all are our own worst enemies, and we often create undue stress on ourselves and others because of our perceptions, reactions, unmanaged “stuff” and our level of comfort with our way of being in the world. Even though it’s more attractive to externalize our problems and barriers to our success, the truth that they only person we can ever really control is our self. This course will challenge participants to examine their personal barriers to success and provide them with strategic ways to improve their approach to life and leadership. Participants can expect to leave with a new perspective on leadership, strategies to more effectively manage their personal and professional challenges, and feel more empowered to make the changes necessary to get out of their own way.
Thursday, May 12, 2016 – Continued

11:15  League of Minnesota Cities and Legislative Updates
Moderator: Chris Petree, Vice President APWA-MN Chapter, City of Lakeville
David Unmacht, League of Minnesota Cities; Anne Finn, League of Minnesota Cities

11:45 Service Project at Gull Lake Recreation Area
Moderators: Steve Albrecht, City of Burnsville; Chris Petree, City of Lakeville; Sue Mason, Short Elliot Hendrickson Inc.

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1:45 Noon Education and Training Committee Presentations
Moderator: Monica Heil, Chair, Education & Training Committee APWA-MN Chapter, City of Lakeville
Wally Wysopal, Hamline University; Bill Joynes, Hamline University

12:30 Chapter Updates and Business Meeting

12:45 Lunch Heritage Room

6:15  Social Hour GLC Lobby

7:15 Dinner Grand Ballroom B

Friday, May 13, 2016

8:30 a.m.  State Aid Update Norway, Birch, Oak Room
Moderator: April Crockett, Minnesota Department of Transportation
Mitch Rasmussen, Minnesota Department of Transportation

8:45 Utilizing Smart City Mapping for the MN2050 “State of the Infrastructure” Report
Moderator: Brad Henry, University of Minnesota
Len Kne, University of Minnesota, College of Liberal Arts

This session will demonstrate the interactive Smart City Infrastructure Tool and show attendees how MN2050 can use the tool to show the public, politicians, and professionals the extent, condition, and value of Minnesota infrastructure. The Smart City tool was developed over the past year as a cooperative project between the Minnesota State Auditor, the University of Minnesota, MN2050, the PCA, the Health Department, League of Minnesota Cities, and the Public Finance Agency. The initial rollout uses an interactive map to show drinking water, sanitary sewer, and auditor data for each city in Minnesota. In addition to demonstrating the current tool, the presentation will allow attendees to use the interactive touch screen and to comment on adding MN2050 survey data to the Smart City tool.

9:15 Break

9:30  Minnesota Department of Transportation Update
Moderator: April Crockett, Minnesota Department of Transportation
Sue Mulvihill, Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Transportation

10:00 Vikings Practice Facility Development
Moderator: John R. Mazzitello, City of Mendota Heights
John Gorder, City of Eagan

In 2015, the Minnesota Vikings announced they were acquiring the old Northwest Airlines headquarters campus in Eagan and would be developing a new practice facility and associated campus development on the site. Working with the City of Eagan, the Vikings are going through the process of an Alternative Urban Areawide Review (AUAR) for the redevelopment project. In this conference session, the City of Eagan will provide an update on the AUAR process, what the potential development layout may look like, and how the City of Eagan (and neighboring communities) is preparing for this major redevelopment.

10:45 Engineering 101 Seminar Recap
Moderator: John Gorder, City of Eagan
John R. Mazzitello, City of Mendota Heights

On April 6, 2016, the Coalition Of Northern Dakota Area Communities (CONDAC), the Public Works Directors and City Engineers from Dakota County, hosted a three-hour seminar on the basics of municipal engineering and public infrastructure. Called Engineering 101, the seminar was aimed at a target audience of municipal officials that do not necessarily have an engineering background and was developed to provide a general overview of how municipalities manage (or should manage) infrastructure components. The seminar included instructional blocks on traffic, streets, utilities, surface/storm water, and financing/funding. This conference session will provide a recap of the event, some lessons learned, and answer questions about how other areas of the State could set up a similar program.

11:15 Adjourn and Lunch Heritage Room
~New This Year~ Service Project (Thursday, May 12, 2016)

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Non-APWA MN Chapter Golf Event

On Wednesday, at 11:00 a.m., a Shotgun Golf Event has been planned at The Pines. Cost will be $65 and includes cart. Format will be a four-person scramble. Please contact Mark Kasma at markka@bolton-menk.com if you’d like to participate.

Registration and Fees

The fee for the conference is $235 for APWA members and $260 for nonmembers, and includes all sessions, course materials, and refreshment breaks. Register online at www.apwa-mn.org, or fill out the attached registration form and fax the form to 612-624-5359.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

A refund of the registration fee—less $35—will be issued for cancellation requests received by email to the University of Minnesota at cceconf3@umn.edu by May 4, 2016. Cancellations received after this date will not be eligible for a refund. Persons who register but cannot attend may send a substitute.

Location Information

A link to reserve lodging for Grand View Lodge is available on our website at www.apwa-mn.org. Meals and lodging are to be paid directly to Grand View Lodge.

Disability accommodations are available upon request. For further information, contact Grand View Lodge at 218-963-7352 or toll-free at 800-368-1885, or view their website at www.grandviewlodge.com.

Professional Development Hours (PDHs)

Conference attendees will receive 8.25 PDHs for the APWA Minnesota Chapter Spring Conference. Please visit the following website for information about PDH requirements: www.aelslagid.state.mn.us/conted.

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