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PRESIDENT'S NOTE

I hope you all have had a great start to your summer! Thanks to those who were able to join us for our Chapter Spring Conference May 8th-10th at the Oread Hotel in Lawrence. This was a great time to reconnect with old friends, create new connections, and showcase the wonderful work going on in public works across the State of Kansas.

We look forward to hosting a valuable membership roundtable and fall meeting later this year with details to follow in the coming months. Also be on the look out for details on our chapter dinner at PWX in Atlanta. Hope to see you there!

If you would like to become more involved in our chapter, have feedback or questions, please reach out, You can contact me at 785-764-5708 or bbayless@lawrenceks.org.

KS CHAPTER APWA FINANCIAL POSITION

APWA-Kansas Chapter

Statement of Financial Position

As of June 20, 2024

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
104 Sunflower Checking (1723)	30,280.00
111 Sunflower CD (2993)	15,363.00
112 Merrill Lynch MM (2144)	213,222.21
Total Bank Accounts	\$258,865.21
Total Current Assets	\$258,865.21
TOTAL ASSETS	\$258,865.21
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
300 Opening Balance Equity	241,894.37
399 Retained Earnings	5,563.48
Net Revenue	11,407.36
Total Equity	\$258,865.21
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$258,865.21

2024 PROJECT AWARDS

Project of the Year SC/RC – Structures

- Winfield Public Safety Facility
- Managing Agency: City of Winfield
- Consultant: Agora Architecture
- Contractor: Commerce Construction
- Photo: Travis DeForeest, Commerce Const Serv, Inc; Patrick Steward, City of Winfield; Cheri Hulse, Agora Architecture; Brett Letkowski, Transystems



Project of the Year - Less than \$5 Million

- Quincy Street, 6th Ave to 8th Ave
- Managing Agency: City of Topeka
- Consultant: Benesch
- Contractor: Emcon, Inc
- Photo: Brad Johnson, Benesch; Braxton Copley, Christine Valdivia-Alcala, City of Topeka; Brett Letkowski, Transystems



Project of the Year SC/RC – Transportation

- Maize Academy Avenue Improvements
- Managing Agency - City of Maize
- Consultant: Professional Engineering Consultants, PA
- Contractor: Pearson Construction
- Photo: Tim Azire & Kristy Skaggs, PEC; Mason Hewitt & Tyler Stevenson, Pearson Construction; Nick Gregory, City of Maize; Brett Letkowski, Transystems

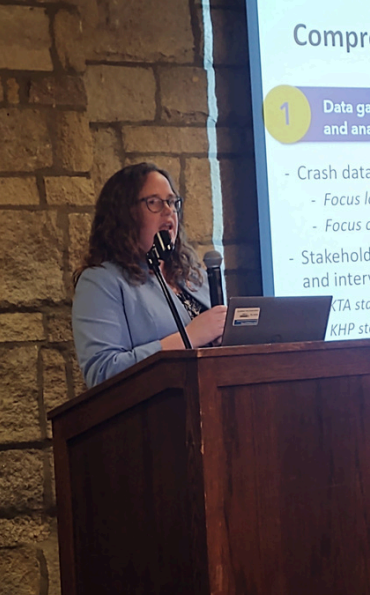


Project of the Year – Transportation – \$5 Million, but less than \$25 Million

- 12th St. - Gage Blvd to Kansas Ave
- Managing Agency: City of Topeka
- Consultant: Bartlett & West
- Contractor: Bettis Asphalt & Construction
- 2024 Spring Conf - Brian Armstrong, B & W; Braxton Copley, Christine Valdivia-Alcala, City of Topeka; Jeff Lolley, B & W; Brett Letkowski, Transystems









APWA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS 2024-2025

We had a good year for our APWA Scholarship awards. We received four applications each from Kansas State University and University of Kansas, as well as two from Benedictine College. If there's doubt about the future of our profession and those moving into careers in public works, the ten applications received are a great reminder that parents, coaches, professors, and employers are still raising them right! Please allow me to introduce our 2024-2025 scholarship recipients:

From Benedictine College, and our first recipient of the APWA Scholarship from their civil engineering program, congratulations to Sophia Caughron. A junior from Kansas City, Missouri, Sophia is an award-winning violinist in the Benedictine College and Atchison Community Orchestra as well as student chapter president of the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers. She is also a member of the Honors Program and Constitutional Fellows and a volunteer with Sleep In Heavenly Peace. Sophia spent last summer as an intern for HNTB.

ABBI CLARK



Abbi Clark, KSU, pictured right, with concrete canoe team

For a second year in a row, Abbigail Clark joins the ranks of 8 K-State students who have won our scholarships for two consecutive years. Abbi is a senior at Kansas State University and will graduate next May. Her list of scholarships and academic achievements is long and noteworthy – too many to list here, although I did consider it. When not in class or studying, Abbi is actively involved in Army ROTC and ASCE Concrete Canoe. She also gives her time to the Women in Civil Engineering, Engineering Leadership and Innovation Program, and Steel Ring Honor Society, and is a routine blood donor to the Red Cross. Abbi has been an intern with Olsson since 2022, and before this spent a summer working with KDOT assisting with field inspections throughout the state of Kansas. Congratulations Abbi – we know you'll do great things!

ISAAC BRAKNER



A fellow Senior at Kansas State University with Abbi, Isaac Brakner is our second recipient for the Steve Webb Memorial Scholarship for 2024-2025. From the Little Apple, Isaac plays rugby, is a student firefighter, member of the steel bridge team, member of ASCE, and tutors freshmen engineering students. Isaac has spent his summers working for Bryan-Ohlmeier Construction in Paola since 2019, and a student firefighter for the Manhattan Fire Department during the school year since 2022. Isaac is the 50th overall winner of K-State's APWA Steve Webb Memorial Scholarship and we're happy to add his name to our list!

MADELINE JONSCHER



From Shawnee, Kansas, congratulations to Madeline Jonscher, a senior at University of Kansas. Like so many of our recipients, Madeline's list of scholastic achievements is numerous and well-rounded. From Warm the World Crochet Club and University of Kansas Power Club to Special Olympics Volunteer and member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, Madeline has won awards from the National Association of Letter Carriers, Department of Math, and the KU Traditions Scholarship program. Madeline has served as a lead teacher, working for Johnson County Parks and Recreational District from 2019 to 2023 and spent last summer with Turner Construction Company.

Congratulations Madeline!

TAKOMA LEES



As our 38th winner of KU's APWA Scholarship, Takoma Lees rounds out our scholarship recipient class for 2024-2025. For those wondering, APWA Kansas began offering a scholarship to the University of Kansas in 1999, 12 years after we began the scholarship

program and were able to expand what we could offer due to very successful fundraising efforts. Takoma is a Junior in the civil engineering program at KU and is also a member of Engineers Without Borders, ASCE, Concrete Canoe, and the sailing club. Takoma volunteers at the Lawrence Humane Society as well as KU football games and the Engineering Expo and has worked with the civil engineering department as a research assistant and class grader. Takoma spent one summer with Jeff Jackson Contracting in Lawrence and received first-hand experience in construction and project management. Congratulations Takoma!

Before I close out, I'd like to say a quick thank you to my selection committee members. Brayson Benne is with Olsson and is a Benedictine College alum, Brad Waller is with Benesch and a University of Kansas alum, and Arrin Tieben is with Kimley-Horn and a K-State alum. Additionally, Dr. Eric Fitzsimmons with K-State, Dr. Jian Li with KU, and Dr. Peter Merkle with Benedictine help not only with recipient selections but also with spreading the word on each of their campuses about our scholarship program. The biggest thank you of all, though, goes to Ron Nuessen who serves as our Career Awareness Director. Ron visits each campus every year and promotes everything APWA at student chapter ASCE meetings. Thank you, Ron, for all of your efforts. I know I'm not alone when I say you are appreciated!

KANSAS LTAP UPDATES



JOIN US AUGUST 9TH AT 11 A.M.

Join us on August 9th at 11 a.m. for our next Roundabout webinar that will focus on pipes. You can register at <https://kansas.zoom.us/joining/register/tJ0pc-yrqz4uGt3FqyeU88iCcBbi92d5t1Wh>

If you missed the June Roundabout webinar that focused on MUTCD Updates, you can watch the recording at <https://youtu.be/IFJFvC7mtuk?si=nqiQCc0NJRDVIN3w>



UPCOMING TRAININGS

We have partnered with KU Public Management Center to deliver five soft skill courses, which will help Road Scholars fulfill level II required coursework:

- Tuesday, October 29th | Supervisor's Role in Enhancing Cooperative Work Relationships | Lawrence, KS
- Wednesday, November 6th | Conflict Resolution | Wichita, KS
- Tuesday, November 12th | Fundamentals of Supervision | Salina, KS
- Wednesday, November 13th | Foundations in Customer Service | Salina, KS
- Thursday, November 14th | Conflict Resolution | Salina, KS

We appreciate your feedback!

Your opinion matters to KS LTAP!

Do you have comments or feedback on an LTAP service? We invite you to share with us your experiences, suggestions, or any thoughts you'd like to below. Your feedback will help us better understand you, your needs and expectations.

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