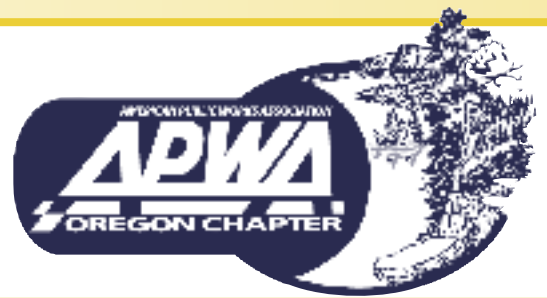


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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am honored to be serving as your president this year. It



has been a long, challenging winter for all of us in the Northwest, and spring is finally right around the corner.

A personal goal of mine is to be a master gardener. I would like to take this opportunity to talk about how we plant new ideas and strengthen our organizations with careful planning, attention to quality, and devotion to our charges. I'm sure all of you are already planning budgets and planting the seeds for maintenance and capital projects. As many of the best and most successful gardeners know, the key is sharing knowledge and experience. The greatest power we have is sharing our knowledge with each other through our contacts at conferences, serving on

committees, and the APWA Board.

The functioning role of APWA is to nurture our profession at all levels. One of the many ways this happens is by providing guidance and advice to new members as they break ground. At our January board meeting a very impressive presentation was given by Oregon's "Engineers Without Borders" that demonstrated just how important and effective the sharing of ideas and knowledge can be. Like good gardeners, they are working in other countries teaching the population there how to nurture their own gardens, supplying core services and how to maintain those services as their communities grow and flourish.

When public works stops because of major catastrophes or small events disrupt public services, we are in the headlines for a short period of time. These are the times when the importance of our essential services like providing clean water, sanitary sewer, storm water management, and transportation facilities really shows.

Public works is such a gratifying profession. We install infrastructure that will benefit our communities for a century and plan for future projects that, when complete, serve our communities in ways the public may not even be aware. That the efforts of our diverse services and caring for our communities goes unnoticed is a compliment to our efficiency and to what we do as a whole.

Truly, our communities are a reflection of all of our hard work and dedication. Like a garden, such care and devotion make our communities places to be admired and appreciated by all those that come to visit or stay. We need to take credit and recognize our association, and acknowledge the individuals that are a part of it for all the accomplishments achieved by their efforts in making our communities such wonderful places to live.

Mark your calendars now for a great networking opportunity coming up in March at our joint APWA Oregon/Washington Conference. I hope to see you all there.

*Lila Bradley*



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# OREGON CHAPTER SUBMITS ENTRIES FOR NATIONAL AWARDS

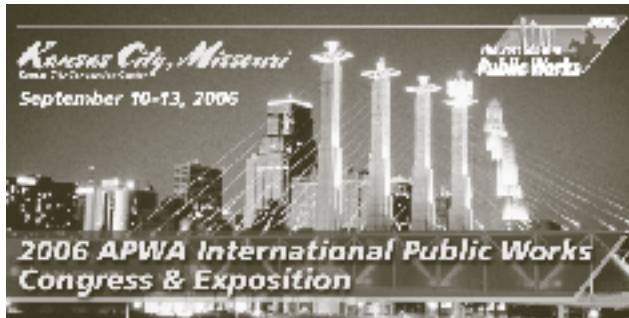
The Oregon Chapter of APWA has submitted several nominations for 2006 awards by National APWA. The award submittals include:

For Top 10 Public Works Leaders of the Year -- Kurt Corey, Public Works Director for the City of Eugene

For Professional Manager of the Year (Engineering and Technology) -- Paul Klope, Principal Engineer, Eugene Public Works

For Project of the Year (\$10 million to \$100 million category), new runway at the Eugene Airport.

The 2006 award winners will be recognized at the 2006 APWA International Public Works Congress and Exposition, September 10-13 in Kansas City, Mo. Also at the International Congress, Oregon Chapter member and former chapter president Ted Kyle and Ned Dempsey have been selected to give a presentation on the Oregon Chapter's Julian Prize recognizing sustainable public works, and board member Peggy Keppler will be leading a discussion on streamlining development review through coordinated efforts.



## NEW MEMBERS

- Kathy Lehtola**, Director Land Use & Transp, WA County, (503) 846-3823
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# MAKE PLANS TO CELEBRATE PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

National Public Works Week this year is May 21-27.

Since 1960, APWA has sponsored National Public Works Week. Across the nation, APWA's 27,000 members use this week to energize and educate the public on the importance of the contribution of public works to their daily lives: planning, building, managing and operating the essence of our local communities. This year, the theme of public works week is, "Public Works: The Heart Of Every Community," to show the central part public works plays in the life of a community.



For more information and ideas on how your agency can use this event to further its goals, visit APWA online at [www.apwa.net/npww](http://www.apwa.net/npww). Pictures and short writeups of Public Works Week activities in Oregon will be published in the June chapter newsletter. Send information to Eric Jones ([eric.r.jones@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:eric.r.jones@ci.eugene.or.us)).



**Order! Order!** The Oregon Chapter board (expanded) got together in Salishan to hash out business. From left, Lila Bradley, Peggy Keppler, Yvonne McClain, Greg Miller, Hugh Kalani, Ted Kyle, Derek Forseth, Gene Appel, the late Jack Pittis, Bob Patterson, Kurt Corey, Rick Olson, Barbara Duda, Sam Johnson, Gregg Weston, Stephanie Reid.

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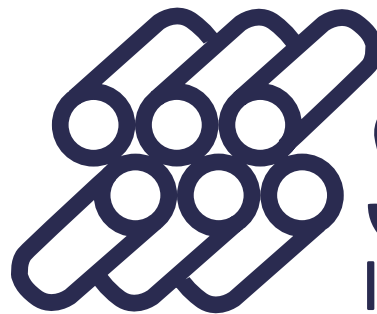
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## JACK PITTIS MEMORIAL FUND

Jack Pittis, a member of the APWA Board of Directors, died unexpectedly of heart complications at his home on February 3. He had been recovering from injuries resulting from a two-vehicle collision that occurred on January 31 in Kitsap County, Washington. He was 59.

Pittis graduated from Washington State University in 1969 with a degree in civil engineering. He became a Professional Engineer in 1974, a City Engineer in 1976, and Director of Public Works, City of Port Angeles, Washington in 1980, retiring in 2000. He had been involved in APWA activities for nearly 30 years and went through the chairs of the Washington State Chapter, becoming president in 1990. In 1993 he was named a Top Ten Public Works Leader of the Year. He was truly committed to education and training at all levels of public works.



A memorial fund has been established by the Washington State Chapter of APWA. Donations can be made to Washington State Chapter APWA, Jack Pittis Memorial Scholarship Fund, 2601 Fourth Avenue, Suite 800, Seattle, WA 98121-1280.

### 2006 CALENDAR

March 15-17, **Developing Leader**, Bend

March 28-31, **OR/WA APWA Spring Conference**, Vancouver, WA

April 12-14, **Street Maintenance & Collection Systems Spring School**, Newport

May 3 & 4, **Preventive Maintenance for Roadway Surfaces**, Redmond

October 18-20, **Street Maintenance & Collection Systems Fall School**, Redmond

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