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President's Message

Lisa Koch, AICP

Hello Kansas Planners! We are happy to present the newsletter to you in a new monthly format! Thanks to newsletter editor Jennifer Schwaller for championing this effort! This month, I am looking forward to the Spring Symposium, which will be held at KU on March 28th. The theme of the event is sustainability in Kansas and we have excellent speakers lined up! Thanks to Professional Development Officer Bonnie Johnson for being the Chairperson of this event and thanks also to Chapter Treasurer Erin Ollig and KU Planning Student Jacque Lumsden for supporting the planning efforts!

In the coming months, we will be accepting a call for nominations for the APA Kansas Executive Committee Election, which will take place this summer. Please consider running for office –

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you are interested in learning more about being an
elected officer, please feel free to contact me

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DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS TODAY, MARCH 25TH



Kansas APA Spring Symposium
Sustainability - Doing it the Kansas way

Friday, March 28, 2014
10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Eldridge Hotel
701 Massachusetts St.
Lawrence, Kansas

Brief At-a-Glance
More details on back page.

Registration	9:00-10:00 a.m.
Presentations	10:00-11:15 a.m.
Lunch Presentation	11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Walking Tour	12:45-1:45 p.m.
Bus Tour	1:45-4:00 p.m.

Register by email to Erin Ollig by Tues., March 25
\$35 for professionals
\$25 for students

Payment by check or cash at the door made payable to KS Chapter American Planning Association. Pay by credit card via PayPal for small additional fee (contact Erin Ollig for details).

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Lunch Provided- make sure to let us know if you have any dietary restrictions.

AICP News – Next Testing Window Opens in June

Bonnie J. Johnson, AICP

Professional Development Officer

Hopefully I will see you at the Spring Sustainability Symposium on March 28th in Lawrence. I have turned in 4.25 CM credits that are now pending.

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The Next Exam Window

The next AICP exam application window opens June 3, 2014. The Early Bird Application deadline is June 17 and the final deadline is July 24th. The testing window is Nov. 3 – 17. The Early Bird Application has at least two benefits:

1. Early Birds who are disapproved will have an opportunity to revise their application, according to the advice provided in their denial letter, and resubmit their application in the same exam window.
2. Early Birds receive early notification of their application status. Candidates who receive early notification will also be able to schedule their test appointment earlier, giving them more flexibility in choosing dates and times.
3. Oh yeah – and doesn't "the early bird catch the worm"? – something like that. . .

Check out the AICP website to get details and access the online form: <http://www.planning.org/aicp/>

Professional Development Committee – Want to help?

There are a couple of openings on the Professional Development Committee. Duties include looking at the responses to the state conference call for sessions and making selections for the conference, setting the conference schedule, and helping select the recipient of the AICP exam scholarship each year. The committee generally looks out for how to bring educational opportunities to chapter members (AICP or not). Not all members of this committee

need to be AICP. Let me know if you are interested.

AICP Exam – Sample Question

Here's an example of an exam question (answer at the bottom):

This type of architecture uses locally available materials?

1. Vernacular
2. Art Deco
3. Prairie Style
4. Post Modern

Contact me - -

If you have questions about applying for the AICP exam, taking the exam, or getting your CM credits, let me know. Also send any suggestions for conference presentations my way or contact me if you would like to be on the Professional Development Committee. Email: bojohjohn@ku.edu or 785-864-7147. Bonnie Johnson, Associate Professor, University of Kansas, Department of Urban Planning, 1465 Jayhawk Blvd., Room 418, Lawrence, KS 66045-7626.

Answer: 1. Vernacular

Legislative Message

Lisa Koch, AICP

We are at the halfway point in the legislative session and have already passed the point at which legislation must have moved out of committee to be discussed in the House or Senate in the 2014 session. Through our Kansas Chapter email

distribution list, we have provided members with bills of note to planners. The bill that has had the most members talking is House Bill 2366 - the Anti-Sustainability Bill. I can report that this Bill did not make it out of committee this session (for the second year in a row). As always, we encourage you to talk about the value of our professional with lawmakers.



Call for Volunteers, APA National Conference

APA National Conference planners have asked that you please consider signing up for APA's Mentor Match or Career Reality programs at the National Planning Conference in Atlanta. These are great ways of giving back to the next generation and don't require a significant amount of time. We currently have over 50 mentees looking for mentors and need 4 seasoned professionals for Career Reality. Details can be found at:

<http://www.planning.org/conference/networking/volunteer/>.



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