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## 2020 APA ELECTIONS OPEN

Planning Home. Community Planning Assistance Teams. The AICP Candidate Pilot Program. Elected leaders identify and direct major initiatives that move APA and the planning profession forward. Join your fellow Nebraska Chapter members and make your voice heard in chapter, division, student representative, and APA/AICP national elections. Voting is open July 15 through **August 15**. The candidates for each position in the Nebraska Chapter are:



**President:** Jeff Ray and Keith Marvin

**Vice President:** Stephanie Rouse

**Treasurer:** Troy Anderson

**Secretary:** Jesse Poore and Don Threewitt

Learn more about the candidates and vote today at [planning.org/elections](http://planning.org/elections)

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## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

The Chapter is working hard to improve communication, support development opportunities, and provide helpful content. Our first step was to start a quarterly newsletter which will become a joint effort with the NPZA beginning with the October Newsletter. We are also active on social media, keeping you up-to-date on the latest conferences, social meet ups, and news in the region. Be sure to like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and join our Linked In page.

- » American Planning Association - Nebraska Chapter ([LinkedIn](#))
- » @APA\_Nebraska ([Twitter](#))
- » APA Nebraska Chapter ([Facebook](#))

## SAVE THE DATE: 2019 FALL WORKSHOP

Organization of the annual fall workshop is in full swing. The conference committee has secured the location and keynote speaker for **November 15th**. Plan to attend the full day workshop, focused on housing, to be held at the UNL Student Union Auditorium. Dan Parolek of Opticos Design will be speaking on missing middle housing in conjunction with the UNL Hyde Lecture series. A panelist discussion around housing is also planned. This is a great opportunity to get CM credits and to learn more about housing solutions to apply to your community. Stay tuned for more information and a full agenda.

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# CHAPTER PRESIDENT UPDATE

Happy Summer Nebraska Planners! Cannot believe it is just five weeks until football season again – summer has flown by! I wanted to make you aware of several important activities that have occurred over the last several months and that are coming up.

Our spring Planning Conference in Kearney was a big success by all indications! We had record attendance of over 300 participants – even with a late week snowstorm! We were happy to host our new National APA President, Kurt Christiansen, as well as National APA Board Members, Lauren Driscoll and Wendy Moeller. They were very impressed with the conference and expressed interest in returning in the future. Thank you to all who worked so hard behind the scenes to make the event a success as well as to all who put on great sessions throughout the conference.

Planning is now underway for our APANE 2019 Annual Meeting and Fall Workshop. It will be held November 15th at the UNL Memorial Union in Lincoln. The event will focus on housing issues facing Nebraska and the rest of the country. We are working on scheduling some great panel discussions and have secured Dan Parolek, founder of Opticos Design in Berkeley, CA, as the Hyde Lecture Series Speaker in conjunction with UNL. Mr. Parolek is a nationally known expert on form-base codes and “missing middle housing” issues.

Thank you to all of the Nebraska members who traveled to San Francisco for the 2019 National Planning Conference. I was unable to attend this year due to the March floods and recovery operations, but I understand we had very good representation from the Chapter. I would like to thank Derek Miller, APANE Past President, for attending the Chapter Leadership meetings for me at the conference.

The National conference is the setting for one of two in-person leadership meetings for chapter and division presidents, APA board members, the AICP Commission, Professional Development Officers, and others to discuss matters related to the organization. Derek reported to the Nebraska Board that among the topics discussed at the conference was a proposal from the AICP Commission to update mandatory certificate maintenance (CM) requirements. The current requirements include 1.5 credits each in law and in ethics and have not changed since the program began 10 years ago. The AICP Commission reviewed the program and has recommended adding an additional mandatory topic on equity; adding a mandatory current topic that will change every four years (climate would be the first topic) and reducing the number of credits required on all mandatory topics from 1.5 hours to 1 hour.

The APANE Board discussed this proposal at its May meeting to consider formulating a response to the AICP Commission. The discussion supported the reduction in credits for mandatory topics from 1.5 hours to 1 hour as well as the addition of equity as a mandatory topic. However, the Board questioned the idea of a rotating topic area and how that topic would be chosen. If approved, the changes would be effective as of January 1, 2021, to allow members and CM providers time to implement these changes. Additional information on this can be viewed at [planning.org/cm/updates/](http://planning.org/cm/updates/). If you have any comments you would like to share on the proposed changes, please feel free to email them to me or you can send them directly to [APA](http://APA).

Other changes to the CM are already underway and should have a positive impact. The minimum length for CM-eligible sessions, other than the mandatory topics, have been reduced from 30 minutes to 15 minutes. Additionally, changes have made it easier for CM providers like APANE to partner with other organizations to host CM eligible events.

Finally, I would like to remind and encourage APA members to vote in the current national and state APA/AICP elections. Our chapter has a full slate of officers up for election this year. Voting is open from July 15th through August 15th. You can learn more about all candidates and VOTE at [planning.org/elections](http://planning.org/elections).



APA-NE Chapter President: Bruce Fountain, AICP, EDFP

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# COMMITTEE UPDATES

- » **Professional Development.** Stacey Hageman, our Chapter Vice President and Professional Development Officer, continues to provide information on AICP CM credits available to members through webinars and the National APA website.
- » **Allied Professional Collaborations.** This committee is working with allied professional groups to provide additional training and networking opportunities. They are also looking at ways to offer planners opportunities to present sessions at other conferences as well as having other related professions present at our conferences and workshops.
- » **Conference Committee.** This important group puts countless hours into planning and organizing our annual conference in Kearney as well as the fall workshop. See the previous page for information on the Fall Workshop on November 15th.
- » **Legislative Committee.** This committee is currently monitoring planning, real estate and land use related legislation being considered by the Nebraska Legislature and the U.S. Congress. Committee Co-Chair David Levy has been providing his law firm's legislative newsletter, the Baird Holm Dirt Alert, for distribution to our Chapter members. Following is a summary of some of the key land use and zoning related legislation. In the future, we hope to organize an APA-NE Legislative Day at the capitol to help build relationships with our state senators.
- » **Awards/Nominations Committee.** This committee is responsible for getting nominations for various awards presented by the Chapter each year at the annual conference. They also coordinate the awards jury, which is comprised of professional planners from neighboring state chapters.
- » **Communications & Public Relations Committee.** This group is responsible for the writing and editing of our Chapter newsletter, managing a complete overhaul of our website in conjunction with National APA staff, and coordinating new social media efforts.
- » **UNL Community and Regional Planning Program.** A new Capstone Studio was implemented in spring semester 2019 as a way to complete the Master of Community and Regional Planning degree and will be offered each spring semester for students who are in their final semester of the MCRP program. The inaugural offering of the studio focused on Lincoln's South Beltway project. The seven graduate students in the studio worked collaboratively on the project, but each student authored a separate chapter that examined different impacts and opportunities related to the beltway project. Construction of Lincoln's South Beltway is to commence in spring 2020. The beltway is to be located south of Lincoln, generally about a half mile south of Saltillo Road, and will consist of eleven miles of four-lane divided highway connecting Nebraska Highway 2 on the east to U.S. Highway 77 on the west. The document produced in the studio, Lincoln South Beltway: Impacts and Opportunities, consists of seven chapters in four sections: land development, the environment, economic development, and transportation.

## AICP EXAM SCHOLARSHIP

Considered taking the exam, but decided to hold off because of the cost? If so, the AICP Exam Scholarship may be right for you. The AICP Exam Fee Scholarship Program was established to offer assistance to individuals who may defer taking or are unable to take the AICP exam because of financial hardship. The APA 2019 Reduced AICP Exam Fee Scholarship recipients pay a \$75 exam fee, which is greatly reduced from the original \$425 exam fee.

If you are interested in applying, please provide a written explanation of financial hardship (including a financial hardship caused by a budget cutback in a firm or agency), which necessitates the request. Scholarship applications should be submitted to Stacey Hageman, APA NE Professional Development Office by email at [slhageman@lincoln.ne.gov](mailto:slhageman@lincoln.ne.gov). Applications should be submitted no later than August 15, 2019 to qualify for the November 2019 testing window.

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# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Nebraska Legislature has been active this year. Below are the changes that relate to land use and zoning:

- » **Blight.** LR 14CA amends the Nebraska Constitution to authorize municipalities to pledge property taxes for up to twenty years if more than one-half of property in a redevelopment project area is extremely blighted. The bill enables the Legislature to pass legislation that allows for five additional years of tax-increment financing (as opposed to the normal fifteen years) in areas of great need for redevelopment. Senator Groene filed FA 26, which sought to amend LR 14CA to allow municipalities to pledge property taxes if 100% of the property is extremely blighted as opposed to more than one-half; however, the amendment failed. On April 5, LR 14CA, advanced to Initial Enrollment and Review. On April 10, Senator Groene filed an amendment providing that a high rate of unemployment and poverty must factor into the designation of an extremely blighted area; the amendment was adopted. LR 14CA advanced on Enrollment and Review for Engrossment. On April 18, LR 14CA was signed by the President/Speaker and presented to the Secretary of State. Here is the constitutional amendment in its entirety.
- » **Community Development.** LB 648 amends the Community Development Law to provide that a redevelopment authority may not prepare a redevelopment plan that would divide ad valorem taxes for a period of more than fifteen years unless the municipality declares more than fifty percent of the property in the redevelopment area to be extremely blighted. LB 648 remains in the Urban Affairs Committee, and must be advanced from the Committee in the Second Session (beginning January 8, 2020) in order to be debated by the full Legislature.
- » **Density and Inclusionary Zoning.** LB 136 adopts the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act, which provides real estate developers municipal concessions and/or incentives for incorporating affordable housing units as part of a development project. It remains in the Urban Affairs Committee, and must be advanced from the Committee in the Second Session in order to be debated by the full Legislature.
- » **Historic Tax Credits.** LB 310 amends the statutes governing state historic tax credits. On March 19, the Revenue Committee placed LB 310 on General File with an amendment. The amendment required recipients of the credit to pay a fee equal to 0.275% of the credit amount to the Department of Revenue for the cost of processing applications. LB 310 remains on General File and the Legislature may debate the bill during the Second Session.
- » **Job Growth and Mainstreet Revitalization.** LB 613 changes the sunset provisions for tax credits under the New Markets Job Growth Investment Act and the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act from December 31, 2022 to July 1, 2019. LB 613 remains in the Revenue Committee, and must be advanced from the Committee in the Second Session in order to be debated by the full Legislature.
- » **Economic Development.** LB 720 adopts the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, which would modernize Nebraska's economic development platform to encourage new business to relocate in Nebraska and retain existing business, amongst other things. LB 720 remains on Select File and will be debated by the full Legislature during the Second Session, which begins on January 8, 2020.
- » **Energy Element.** LB 731 requires cities of the metropolitan class to include an energy element in a comprehensive plan (including counties) when adopting or updating a comprehensive plan. LB 731 remains on General File and will be debated by the full Legislature during the Second Session, which begins on January 8, 2020.

# TURNING CLIMATE CHANGE INTO A GAME

BY: STEPHANIE ROUSE, AICP

Last fall, RDG Planning and Design hosted its 8th annual Design Residency, a 3-day charette style learning event which gathers the nation's top graduate students from many fields to address complex community problems. The design residency was born out of the desire to connect the community to design practitioners by offering an integrated, collaborative opportunity to graduate students in multiple disciplines. The platform is designed to bring together individuals with extensive knowledge and world experiences to mentor the students and guide their final product. Once they arrive, they are bombarded with a day of information which they synthesize down to a problem statement. The next two days involve research and compiling the information into a final product to present to the public.

This year's panel was comprised of ten graduate students from Harvard, MIT, Stanford, Iowa State, University of South Florida, and the University of Iowa just to name a few. Thirteen nationally known experts including a FEMA advisor/program director, city engineers and city managers, sustainable and economic policy makers, and a co-winner of the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize worked with the student residents towards solving the complex problem of resilience, a topic that has risen in importance for leaders on a national scale.

With such a complex topic, the residents focused on education of youth knowing the lasting impact they could have. By talking with Grace, a 5th grader participating in the project, they gained insight into the next generation of leaders and how they might tackle the complex problems facing their generation. As a result, they developed a communications platform to reach out to students as they start to learn about climate change and community resilience in 3rd grade, explore their environment in 8th, and envision their future in 11th grade. The final presentation included questions for consideration as Grace, taking on a fictional character role, enters progresses through each grade. Jonathan Rosenbloom, panelist and professor at Drake University said, "some of the 11th grade questions would be good for my Environmental Law class."

One of the outcomes of the residency was SHOCK! The climate change board game prototype was developed to make learning about resiliency both educational and fun. The residents developed interactive learning-through-play prototypes that could be incorporated into school curricula or used in other learning environments both for children and adults. The game explores flooding to droughts and impacts on parks, farmland, suburbs, and the downtown. Each of the playing cards has an impact on the city with information on the back where players can learn more. Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa is interested in using the game as part of their environmental law curriculum. The concept of using games to teach resilience is catching on. The County of Marin, CA released a boxed version of its Game of Floods in early 2019, which teaches players about adaptation options to combat sea level rise.

Climate change is inevitable and is showing its force across the world through more frequent, costly, and deadly natural disasters. Therefore, climate resilience is one of the most important challenges facing our generation and future generations to come. By working together, across disciplines as the student residents do each year, planners can lead the discussion and prepare for and mitigate the impacts of climate change. Including underrepresented populations such as our youth is important to understanding how resilience can benefit the entire community now and into the future. Innovative design and engineering solutions can only go so far, but when combined with forward-looking planning and policymaking across multiple disciplines will be key to successful adaptation and resilience in the face of massive climate change.

A video summarizing the 2018 design residency can be found at <https://rdgusa.com/designresidency/>



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# SCENARIO GAMES FOR DROUGHT MITIGATION

**BY: CORY MATTESON, NDMC COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST (REPRODUCED FROM DROUGHT.UNL.EDU)**

A drought has hit and your community is now especially susceptible to poor water quality and quantity, which may affect the tourism and also the diverse plant and animal species in the area. The majority of touristic activities occur on a reservoir and the river flowing out of it. How do you best conserve the natural resources of the area without threatening the incomes coming from tourism and recreation?

This is one of the scenarios that a prolonged drought makes a community face, and it's one of six that participants will have to grapple with in a new role-playing game created by the National Drought Mitigation Center. Ready for Drought is an activity that has players work in teams of six to address the strain drought puts upon a community from the perspectives of private citizens, local decision makers, responders, business and industry and communities. In the process it details the scope of drought, and the resources that can reduce its effects. Players take on the roles of firefighter, mayor, water manager, TV reporter, scientist, rancher, governor and up to 29 more, because each brings a different set of skills and viewpoints when it comes to mitigating drought.

The game was modeled after the suite of Extreme Event games created by LabX and presented by the National Academy of Sciences, said Ready for Drought's creator, NDMC graduate assistant Markéta Podebradská. "They have three different extreme events: hurricane, flooding, earthquakes," Podebradská said. "We really liked the format of their game and wanted to do something similar, adapted to drought." Podebradská was taking a class in which she was assigned to develop a classroom activity and, after consulting with NDMC climatologist Deborah Bathke, went to work on Ready for Drought, and became part of NDMC's scenario-building team.

Podebradská observed a drought tournament hosted by the North Platte Natural Resources District in Scottsbluff. There, Bathke and other NDMC staff refereed and moderated the game, which had been tailored to the participants and the area. It involved the effect of drought on North Platte River Basin, the Sandhills and the city. "We were there to help facilitate," Podebradská said. "They put a lot of energy and money into developing these scenarios of drought and what it would look like when there was a drought in that area of certain severity and what would it mean to hydrology or to the streams there. They had these very specific scenarios."

Ready for Drought provides a general scenario for the Missouri River Basin that can be played in about 90 minutes. "The goal was to create a simple, low-cost game, where the full package can be downloaded online," Podebradská said. "Anybody who wants to either have an icebreaker for a drought meeting or have an educational game for university or high school settings can download it and have something in their hands that they can do on their own."

The game requires a minimum of 12 players, a facilitator, a projection screen and little else. The rules and setup material are available at [drought.unl.edu/Education/DroughtGame.aspx](http://drought.unl.edu/Education/DroughtGame.aspx).

The game is set along the Missouri River Basin and features six fictional communities, from a 600,000-person city (Newdale) to a 580-person ranching community (Silvergrass). Players receive a collection of resource cards that correspond to the role they've been given. For instance, a business representative might have capability to drill new wells, update water infrastructure or prepare media messages. The challenge is to select resources that might be useful for coping with drought in different communities with different needs.

Podebradská said that successful utilization of resources and building coalitions with representatives from other regions is the key part of the game.

"I think that there's a strength in cooperation," Podebradská said.

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Last spring, Podebradská, Bathke, Mary Noel, NDMC master's student, and Michael Hayes, professor of applied climatology, led a trial run of the game played by Nebraska School of Natural Resources students and SNR and NDMC staff. The players provided feedback after Ready for Drought concluded, and Podebradská said she used the comments to tweak the game in advance of its release this spring. Even in its development stage, many students said the game was an enlightening experience.

"This is a big, informative, and well-organized activity," one student wrote. "It is definitely effective for potentially building awareness about drought and the need for stakeholder engagement and interaction."

Another commented on the card selection process, saying it was interesting because you have to explore "the pool of your mind" to help determine how it will be useful to your team.

"I really enjoyed the drought activity and thought it went really well," another wrote. "I do think it was effective in understanding planning for droughts and giving a little perspective from a community decision-maker's side of the equation rather than the citizen perspective I think most of us are used to. It was very beneficial to see the decision-making process people have to go through in order to determine how they will prepare their communities for a disaster. I thought it did a good job of showing the need for stakeholder engagement, but did a better job showing the need for community cooperation."

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# ONE MAN PLANNING SHOPS FEATURED IN PLANNING MAGAZINE

The July issue of Planning Magazine was branded “Small Town Success,” a concept we are familiar with here in Nebraska. If you have not had the chance to read this issues yet, we highly recommend it. The articles on Homegrown Success and Office of One are relevant to the work we do daily here in Nebraska. In addition, one of our own planners was interviewed for the Office of One article. Keith Marvin, AICP of Marvin Planning Consultants based in David City talked about his experience as a private consultant working for small communities across the state. When asked what the job taught him he said “I’ve learned to use my time effectively. That’s needed because mine is truly a one-person shop. No secretary, no assistant.”

Others interviewed include Michelle Haynes, AICP, planner in a Colorado town of 1,500 who highlighted the positive of getting to work on a variety of tasks and getting work accomplished quickly. Without the bigger government structure of a large city, she is able to make quick and meaningful changes for the residents of her community. Tips for solo planners included making connections with other small town planners in your area, multi-tasking and taking on new challenges, being flexible, and being a team player.



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# WATER AND PLANNING CONNECT

Nebraska has faced serious water related problems this year caused by both increased rain events this summer and higher than typical snowfall this past winter that was let loose on our rivers when temperatures rose rapidly to melt 7 inches of snow in just one week. Many of our communities are still recovering from the damage. One initiative from APA that seeks to bring more education, cooperation, and advancement to the field is the Water & Planning Network (WPN).

What began as APA's Water Working Group transitioned into a formal Interest Group in spring of 2017. Since then, the Network has been working to "provide a professional forum for the interdisciplinary exchange of ideas and planning methods and will operate as a communications and information sharing network to connect members to the best planning practices that reflect current research, science, policy and technology regarding the protection, management and use of water resources and utilities." The group decided to form as an Interest Group instead of a Division because it allows non-APA members to join. The Steering Committee is currently made up of professionals from a variety of fields with many non APA members. This diversity helps attack the wicked problem of water from a variety of angles including stormwater, utilities, pollution prevention, treatment, and many more. The WPN's goals are to:

- Promote a deeper understanding among planners about water science and engineering, and the ways in which land use, land development, and urban design significantly affect the health and integrity of the water environment.
- Provide opportunities for planners to improve core skills, toolsets, and methods in order to manage water more sustainably and more equitably.
- Create better and more frequent connections and engagement between planners, design professionals, and water professionals by establishing new mechanisms for interdisciplinary interaction.
- Advance planning methods and interactions that support an integrated approach to water management, known as "One Water" management.

If you are interested in water and would like to join the network send an email to [water@planning.org](mailto:water@planning.org). The WPN has a quarterly newsletter that will keep you up-to-date on the latest in water news and events and connect you to other professionals across the U.S. They are also working on a knowledge base to help you better prepare and respond to water problems in your own community. You can also follow them on Twitter at [@APA\\_WPN](https://twitter.com/APA_WPN).



## WATER & PLANNING NETWORK

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# UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

## Job Postings

- » Recreation Planner (NE Games and Parks Commission)
- » Natural Resources Planner Coordinator (NE Department Natural Resources)
- » Sustainability & Food Systems Analyst (Douglas County, KS)
- » Transportation Planner 2 (Ames, IA)
- » FEMA Environmental Planner (CDM Smith)
- » MPO Program Manager (City of Grand Island)
- » Senior Health Planner (HDR, Omaha, NE)
- » Transportation Planner (The Job Network, Macy, NE)

To view current postings visit the following pages:

- » <https://npza.org/resources/careers>
- » [www.iowa-apa.org/resources/job-postings](http://www.iowa-apa.org/resources/job-postings)



## AICP Exam Deadlines

Registration and Transfer  
Deadline October 31, 2019 for the  
November 4-18 Testing Window

## Events

July 19 - [Incorporating Arts in Urban and Site Design Webinar](#) (12 pm - 1:30 pm)

July 30 - ["The Supreme Court's Knick Decision: What It Did and Did Not Change"](#) webinar sponsored by APA and the APA Planning and Law Division CM | 1.50 | Law (pricing varies)

August 2 - Incorporating Market and Fiscal Analysis in Land Use Planning Webinar (12 pm - 1:30 pm)

August 6 - [APA Policy and Advocacy Webinar](#) (1 pm - 2 pm)

August 13 - ["Addressing Cultural Divides,"](#) second in a four-part series sponsored by the APA Latinos and Planning Division (Register by August 12; pricing varies for division members, nonmembers, and groups) CM | 1.50

August 21 - ["Igniting Joy in Your Career"](#) webinar sponsored by the Student Representatives Council. (Register; free)

August 23 - Lean Thinking Before, During and After Your Planning Process Webinar (12 pm - 1:30 pm)

November 15 - Fall APANE Workshop (Downtown Lincoln)

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# RESOURCES

## APA NE 2018 Board Members

- Bruce Fountain, AICP – President
- Derek Miller, AICP – Past President
- Stacey Hagemann – Vice President/  
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- Troy Anderson, AICP – Treasurer
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- Chris Solberg, AICP – NPZA Liaison
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- Anthony Kohel – Student Planning  
Association of Nebraska (SPAN) Liaison
- Gordon Scholz, AICP – UNL Planning Faculty Liaison -  
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## SUBCOMMITTEES

- Legislative: David Levy, Baird Holm and Amy Haase, RDG
- Membership Recruitment & Appreciation: Paul Barnes, City  
of Lincoln
- Emerging Planners Group: Kurt Elder, City of Lincoln; Cale  
Brodersen, City of La Vista
- Social Events/Networking: Don Gross, Metropolitan Area  
Planning Agency; Kaitlin Bolte, Confluence
- Conference/Workshop: Keith Marvin, Marvin Consulting,  
Stacey Hageman, City of Lincoln, Jeff Ray, JEO
- Mentorship/Student Outreach: Cale Brodersen, Gordon  
Scholz, UNL Faculty liaison to the APA-NE Board; Bruce  
Fountain
- Allied Professional Collaborations: Andrew Conzett
- Newsletter and Social Media – Stephanie Rouse, RDG
- Awards/Nominations – Board Oversight: Derek Miller; Bruce  
Fountain
  - Emily Baarson, Metro Transit Authority

## Planning Resources

- American Planning Association (APA) - [www.planning.org](http://www.planning.org)
- APA Nebraska Chapter - [www.planning.org/  
chapters/nebraska/](http://www.planning.org/chapters/nebraska/)
- Nebraska Planning and Zoning Association -  
[www.npza.org](http://www.npza.org)
- League of Nebraska Municipalities - [www.lonm.org](http://www.lonm.org)
- Nebraska Association of County Officials - [www.nacone.org](http://www.nacone.org)
- Nebraska Main Street Network -  
[www.nebraskamainstreet.org](http://www.nebraskamainstreet.org)
- Nebraska Economic Developers Association -  
[www.neda1.org](http://www.neda1.org)
- International City/County Management  
Association - [www.icma.org](http://www.icma.org)
- Rocky Mountain Land Use Institute - [www.law.du.edu/rmlui](http://www.law.du.edu/rmlui)
- Western Planner - [www.westernplanner.org](http://www.westernplanner.org)
- Urban Land Institute - [www.uli.org](http://www.uli.org)
- UNL Department of Community and Regional  
Planning - [www.planning.unl.edu](http://www.planning.unl.edu)
- UNO School of Public Administration - [www.spa.unomaha.edu](http://www.spa.unomaha.edu)

## Submit Your Content!

The NE Planner welcomes APA NE members and associates to submit articles for publication within the newsletter. We are also happy to include RFP/RFQ's, new job postings, and upcoming events. Email [rouse@rdgusa.com](mailto:rouse@rdgusa.com) to be included in the next Newsletter.