

APRIL 2017 NEWSLETTER

Planning Association of Washington

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Who We Are

The Planning Association of Washington is a grassroots educational organization devoted to helping shape a vibrant Washington through effective and informed community planning. Our members and constituents are planners, planning commissioners, elected officials, tribes, special purpose districts, private sector firms, state agencies, students and interested citizens.

Message From the President



Welcome to PAW's first newsletter of 2017! Winter is officially over and things are already underway with innovative educational PAW events. The Land Use Boot Camp Program kicked things off in the City of Lacey on March 24th focusing on vesting, stormwater, water rights, homelessness, and recent case law.

Special thanks to our all speakers and the City of

Lacey for making this another topnotch training on current land use topics:

Kristen French, Jordan Ramis PC & Jill Dvorkin, MRSC & Daniel Kenney, Ogden Murphy Wallace
Michael Scruggs & Darby DuComb, Schlemlein Goetz & Phil Olbrechts, Olbrechts and Associates

PAW's signature event, the annual state planning conference is set for Campbell's Resort on Lake Chelan from May 3rd-5th. The conference focus is the Pace of Change with a number of sessions featuring emerging new technologies for planners. Conference highlights include the refreshed Planner Skills Camp with a concentration on environmental issues and permitting, a mobile workshop to Chelan Butte and three exciting tracks of stimulating sessions. Joe Tovar will introduce a new statewide planning effort titled "The Road Map to Washington's Future". Phil Olbrechts recaps recent case law updates and we're thrilled to announce our keynote speaker, Western Washington University Professor Jean Melious!

The conference will also feature some extra fun social events. Get there early (May 2nd) and join

us for a Tuesday afternoon golf scramble! Meet at Campbell's foyer at 1pm and we'll head to the course for some fun on the greens and then follow it up with a dinner social. The conference officially gets started Wednesday and after a full day of sessions, join us for an evening social (May 3rd) at Stormy Mountain Brewery including trivia, a guided tour, and all-you-can-eat barbeque buffet!

PAW has a new website! Please take a look at planningpaw.org and let us know what you think. While you are there check out our Planning and Land Use Forum which is available to PAW members once you sign in. Ask a question, start a discussion or just chime in with your thoughts as PAW continues to explore ways to exchange planning knowledge. Consider sharing the Land Use Forum with your Planning Commission!

Thanks again for supporting the PAW. As a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide land use and planning-based trainings, we continue to look for ways to maximize your membership. Currently PAW is working on developing a webinar series that we intend to roll out later this year that will be free to members. We have also tentatively scheduled a number of Land Use Boot Camps throughout the state as we continue to grow the popular Boot Camp Program and we're also considering expanding the Planner Skills Camp course to new venues.

If you would like to get involved, we would love to hear from you! There are a variety of volunteer opportunities as well as openings on our Board of Directors this year. Send us an email at info@planningpaw.org
 Best regards,

Alex Wenger
President,
Planning Association of Washington

Annual Conference



Not to be missed at the 2017 PAW Annual Conference, will be a pre-conference **mobile workshop on May 3rd** to visit and learn about archaeological resources and how to preserve them.

This full afternoon mobile workshop takes advantage of the conference proximity to a wealth of historic archaeological sites and stunning views at the Chelan Wildlife Area. Hosted by State Dept. of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) and Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) staff, this field experience will provide planning professionals with a “hands-on” experience for identifying, understanding, and managing archaeological resources.

Workshop participants will be transported by DFW staff to the area’s Chelan Butte Unit (http://wdfw.wa.gov/lands/wildlife_areas/chelan/Chelan%20Butte/). Once there, three historic archaeological sites will be visited that are associated with the region’s homesteading history including the iconic Lucas Homestead site. At each stop, group discussion will be led by wildlife area management as well as by professional archaeologists from DFW and DAHP. Register early as space is limited. The wildlife area is primitive with no restroom facilities and be sure to dress for the weather and rough terrain.

There is a great opportunity to sponsor the Annual Conference: [register here](#). Take a look at what’s available to you on the next page. You can [click here](#) to sign-up for sponsorship opportunities.

Join us Tuesday May 2
for Golf Scramble, meet in Campbells
foyer at 1PM [Register Here](#)



Join us Wednesday May 3
for all you can eat buffet and Trivia
Night [Register Here](#)





Conference Sponsorship Opportunities

Take a look at the sponsor opportunities that the Planning Association of Washington has to offer!

\$1,000 Legacy Sponsor	Year-long promotion on our website and Business Card Ad in Newsletter for one-year, and recognition at the annual conference plus Gold benefits
\$750 Gold Sponsor	Sponsor Logo and link on Website, Annual Conference Invitation, Named Sponsor in Marketing Materials, Business Card Ad in Quarterly Newsletter, Display Table at Member Meetings
\$500 Silver Sponsor	Sponsor Logo on Website, Annual Conference Invitation, Named Sponsor in Marketing Materials, Business Card Ad in Quarterly Newsletter
\$250 Bronze Sponsor	Sponsor Logo on Website, Named Sponsor in Marketing Materials
\$100 Friends of PAW Sponsor	Printed thank you card and our wholehearted gratitude. (Provided to all sponsors)



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Board Member Spotlight



This is the second installment of our featured Board Member Spotlight. Each newsletter will introduce a current member of our Board. We feel that knowing who we are and showing the diversity of our Board will reflect upon the professionalism and diversity of our general membership. Washington State has a lot going on and so do all of you who make up our membership.

Meet our featured Board member;

Marla Powers has been a Board Member for two years, beginning in 2015. Her membership began when she was helping to host a PAW Bootcamp in Yakima in the summer of 2015. She organized a pub crawl of Yakima's finest wines and brews and the PAW members in attendance thought she would make a good addition to the Board. Now, as a Board Member, she assists PAW with writing newsletter articles, she is an advocate for an active Facebook presence, and at times has helped update the website. Her biggest contribution has been her willingness to be the Conference Chair for the upcoming Spring PAW Conference to be held May 3-5.

Marla is an Eastern Washington native who calls Spokane her hometown. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Eastern Washington University in 2001 and is a thesis away from a Master's Degree in Communication and Leadership Studies from Gonzaga University. She was an intern for the City of Cheney, worked as an Assistant Planner for the City of University Place (2001-2003), City Planner for the City of Spokane (2003-2013), Senior Planner for Yakima County (2014-2016), and now works as an Associate Planner in a small Viking town of about 10,000 people for the City of Poulsbo.

Marla is excited about exploring the new opportunities on the west side and looks forward to many hiking and camping adventures with her family this summer. She has discovered the Port Gamble trails and loves riding her mountain bike there every chance she gets. She would be happy to introduce you to the challenging trail rides if you are interested! Look for Marla when you attend the Spring Conference this year.

We expect it will be a great conference and we all look forward to seeing you there as well!

Registration is open! [Click here!](#)

Short Courses & Regional Forums

The Short Course is 40!

Since 1977, the Short Course on Local Planning has been bringing Land Use Planning tools and information to local officials in Washington State. This year, we celebrate forty years of this work! Commerce is currently booking courses for 2017, [Short Course Information](#) contact Anne.Fritz@commerce.wa.gov or 360-752-3064 if you would like to bring the Short Course to your community.

In 2016, the Short Course on Local Planning was held 16 times, in most regions of the state, serving 600 attendees. In addition, at least 150 people viewed the video series on the Commerce web site, which provides the same content as the in-person short course. The Short Course is funded in part by the Planning Association of Washington, and benefits from the experience of PAW members.

Thank you to our 2016 hosts: Covington, Bellevue, Vancouver, Bellingham, Everett, Liberty Lake, Port Townsend and Jefferson County, Colville, Clarkston, Chehalis, Vader, Morton, and Lewis County, Ellensburg and Kittitas County, Sunnyside, Ocean Shores and Grays Harbor County, Burien, Lacey, Olympia and Wenatchee.

Thank you to our 2016 presenters:

Attorneys: Mike Connelly, Ken Harper, Ray Liaw, Scott Missall, Jeff Myers, Julie Norton, Phil Olbrechts, John Sitkin, Elizabeth Tellessen, and Mike Walter

Comprehensive Planning: Leonard Bauer, Don Brigham, Steve Butler, Gary Cooper, Emil Pierson, Joe Tovar, and Ryan Windish

Roles in Planning: Amy Buckler, Elizabeth Chamberlain, Roger Horn, Alan Thomson, Melissa Taylor and Ardelle Steele

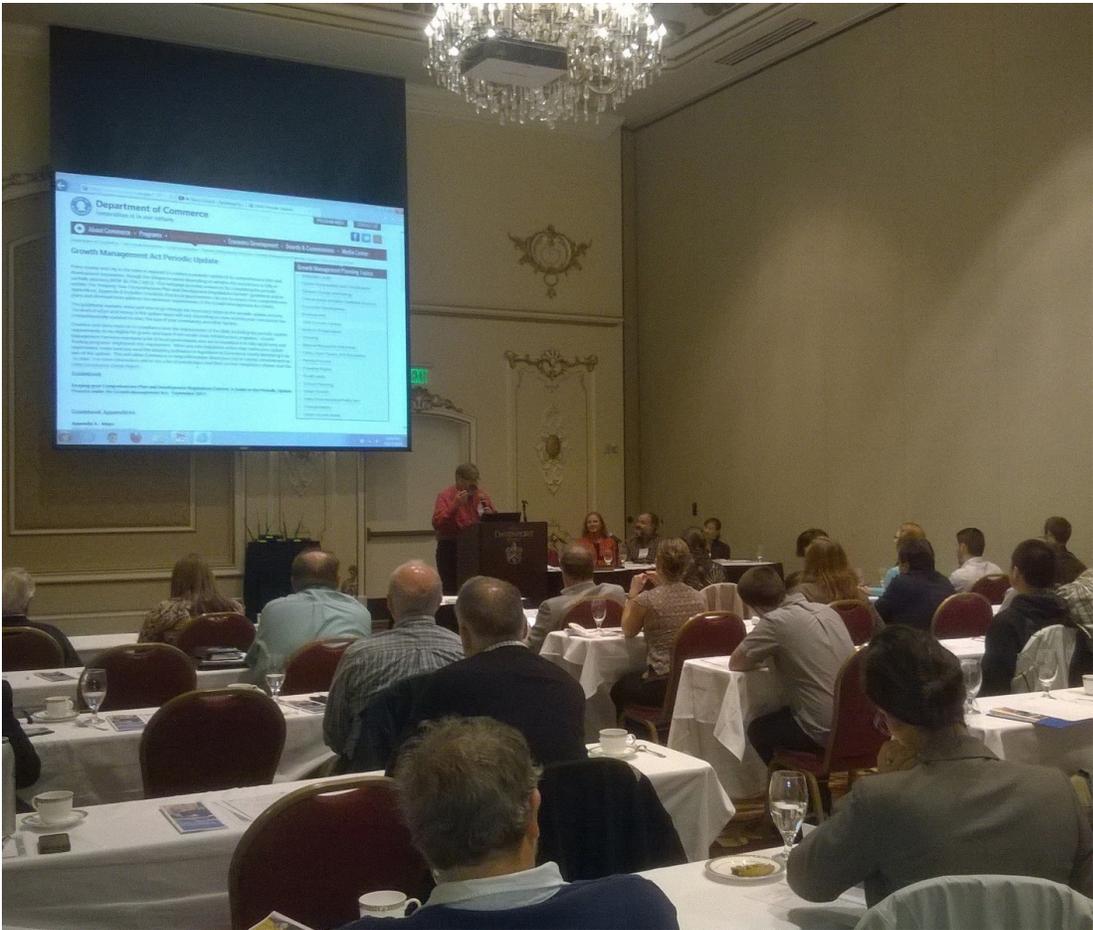
Washington's Regional Planners' Forums

What are they? Planners' Forums offer a unique – no charge – opportunity for planners, planning commissioners, elected officials, and community members to talk informally about local issues, to share ideas, and to receive updates from state and federal agencies whose work may impact land use.

How much do they cost? Planners' Forums are free of charge and satisfy requirements for credentialed planners toward professional development through advanced-level presentations provided by professionals on an array of timely and relevant planning subjects. Registration is not necessary for this daytime training.

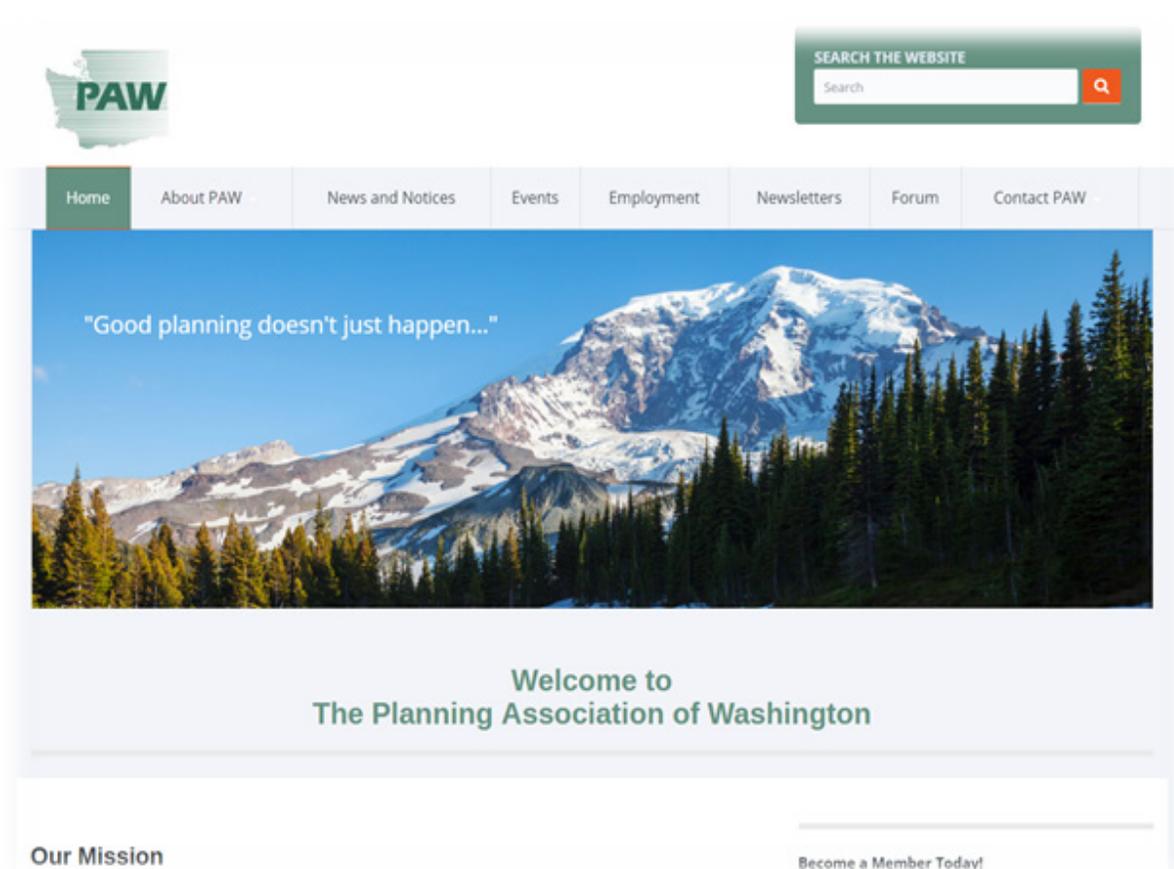
When and where are they held? Forums are held quarterly in four corners of the state – [visit the website](#) to find the latest information, locations, agenda and materials. Forum agendas typically include a roundtable on local updates, frequent updates from the Growth Management Hearings Boards, and a regional APA section meeting.

How are they organized? Forums are collaboratively presented by the Planning Association of Washington, the Washington Chapter of the American Planning Association and The Washington State Department of Commerce. In 2016, 14 forums were held, covering 36 presentation topics, offering 49.5 CM credits and 415 people attended.



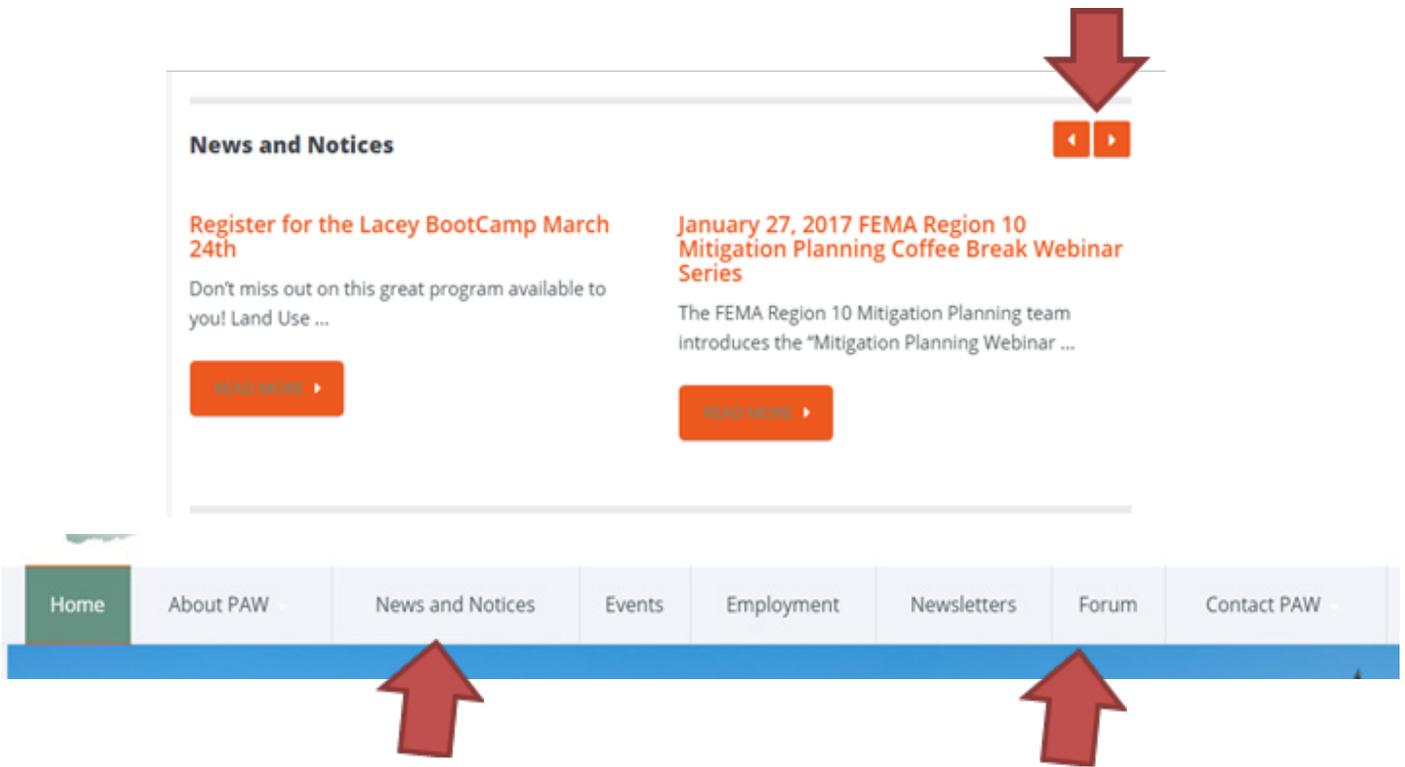
New PAW Website

Welcome to the new Planning Association of Washington's website! If you have gone to our website lately, you would've noticed a bit of a difference. The board has been planning a re-design for the website for a while but with the help of our admin team's expertise we were able to bring this to life.

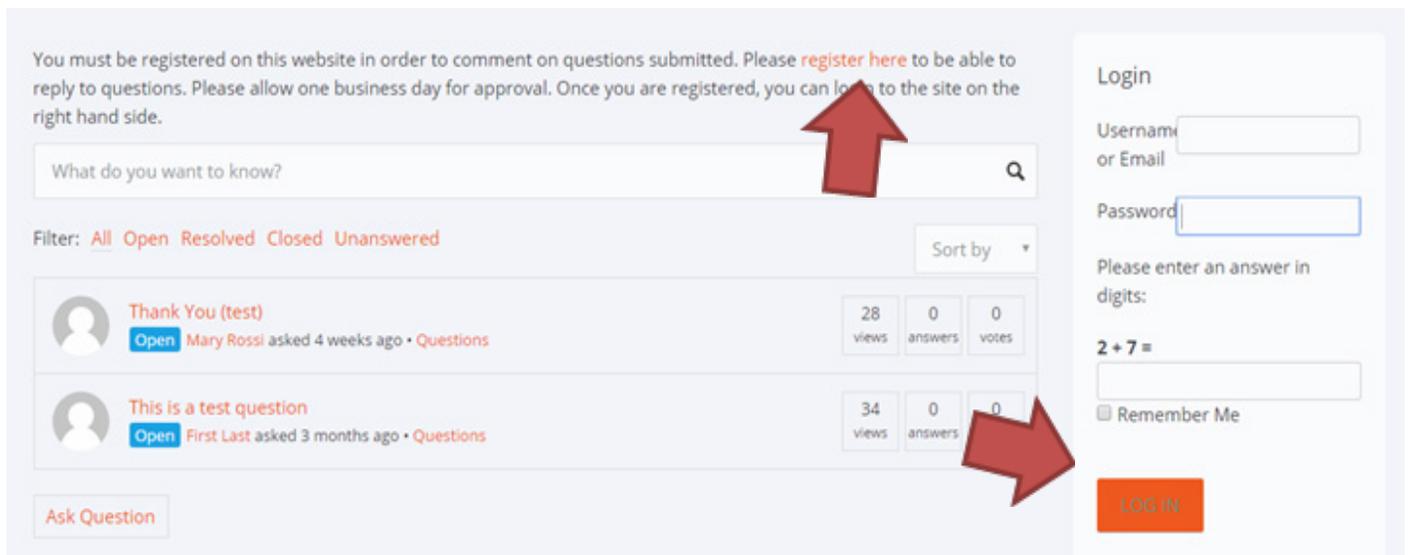


There are some great features to take note of such as the “Search the Website” bar at the top of the page. If you need to look something up quickly, such as an event or something you saw in the news and events section you can type in a word and the site will list all posts and pages that word is in; really handy when looking for event information or employment opportunities.

In addition to the search bar, make sure to take a look at the “News and Notices” section on the front page; notice the arrows at the top of the block? It scrolls you through the posts. Current items such as events and training opportunities are listed in the “News and Notices” section. For a more detailed look, click on the “News and Notices” tab in the navigation menu at the top of the page.



In addition to the new features, we have added a member's only forum. Samantha La Deaux our webmaster makes sure that all people registered are members of PAW. There is also a short video tutorial on how to register for the forum on the forum page. Registrations need to be approved first before posting; due to added security for the site. It usually takes about 24 hours depending on the day of the week for registration approval, weekends; please allow the next business day. The forum is a great area to ask questions and get some online discussion happening with experienced members in your field.



We encourage you to check out the new website here and email Samantha La Deaux info@planningpaw.org with any suggestions you would like to make. We are always looking to make things better and love to hear from our members.

Notices, Links & Resources

Events

PAW Annual Conference May 3-5 2017

Campbells Resort Lake Chelan [click here for registration and sponsorship](#)



Our Resources, Our Stories: A Decade of Sharing

The 2017 Cultural Resource Protection Summit marks the tenth anniversary of our gathering. Since its inception, the primary goal in organizing the annual Summit has been to facilitate amongst all affected parties an open, frank discussion about the intersection between cultural resources and land use. The Summit is designed to promote collaborative cultural resource planning as an effective means of finding resolution to issues before they escalate into emotionally-charged, divisive, and expensive stalemates or law suits.

Please join us at the Suquamish Tribe's beautiful and inviting House of Awakened Culture for a two-day gathering that will help you improve your technical skills while deepening your connection to why we do this work. Leave with more tools for protecting cultural resources and sharing the important stories they tell, not to mention new allies and friends.

-Early Bird Registration Now Open - Visit www.theleadershipseries.info for special rates and to register online! (Special Rate Ends April 24, 2017)

-Students: Email Mary Rossi at Mary@eppardvision.org for information about student rates!

-Go to the website and enter to win a free registration!! One award will be made in each of these categories: Tribes, agencies, consultants, students



Employment Opportunities

[PAW's Employment page](#) is a great resource for information on jobs, internships and other planning-related opportunities of interest for PAW members and friends.

Resources and Links

[WA State Dept. of Commerce](#)

[Municipal Research Services Center](#)

[APA – Washington](#)

[National Assoc. of Regional Councils](#)

[Association of Washington Cities](#)

[WA State Association of Counties](#)

[Short Course Information](#)

Have you considered a membership to the Planning Association of Washington (PAW) for your entire organization?

Benefits of PAW membership include substantial discounts to all PAW events, including conferences and land use boot camps, educational offerings with partnering organizations, quarterly newsletters, access to the Western Planner Journal and other planning resources at reduced rates and access to PAW's new online discussion forum. Advertise employment opportunities on the PAW website. \$50 for members and \$100 for non-members.

Membership would also include advertising on the PAW employment page at no cost. PAW offers Professional Memberships for \$450 allowing unlimited representatives from any private or public organization or firm. Email us at info@planningpaw.org or read our [member brochure](#) for more information.

Board of Directors Openings

Want to get involved, broaden your horizons and expand your network? Consider joining a fun and motivated team of professionals who are passionate about emerging planning practices and developing land use knowledge throughout Washington State.

What are the responsibilities?

- Four Board Meetings per year, typically on a Friday at 10am for about 90 minutes via conference call.
- One Board Retreat per year at a select destination for a strategic planning session.
- Active participation helping promote PAW events and activities, sponsorship and web-based marketing.

If serving on the Planning Association of Washington Board of Directors is something that interests you, or is even something you would just like to learn more about, PAW Board members are happy to talk with you. Email: Info@PlanningPaw.org

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