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President's Message:

Hello to all:

As 2017 comes to a close, I can hardly believe that nearly two years have passed by since I took over as president of KLICA. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the officers and directors as well as executive secretary, Jon Ungerer, for all of their help and support.

Our membership continues to grow, mainly due to the insurance program as well as the benefits offered through the national office. But, I feel that we can offer more than just a better insurance rate or a longer warranty on new equipment purchases to a potential member.

Being a part of a large group, our association has the potential to help shape new laws at the state level as well as in our nation's capital. If you know of a contractor, ask them if they would be interested in joining an organization that will work with their best interests in mind. What is the worst thing that could happen? They just might say yes!

In closing I would like to thank Marsha for helping me out when needed, and Jon for putting up with my procrastination in writing these articles! Also, I wish James all the best as he takes over the reins.

Have a great 2018, hope to see you in Manhattan in a few short weeks, and remember, first time attendees get free convention registration. Work safe and stay warm!!

Jeff Schell, President



"Let us never forget that the cultivation of the earth is the most important labor of man. Unstable is the future of that country which has lost its taste for agriculture. If there is one lesson in history which is unmistakable it is that national strength lies very near the soil."

Daniel Webster

Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association
 2018 Annual Convention
 January 28 - 30, 2018
 Four Points by Sheraton
 Manhattan, KS
 Agenda

Sunday January 28, 2018

3:00 -	Registration
6:00 pm	Foyer
3:00 pm	Budget & Finance Committee Conference Room II-III
4:00 pm	Officers and Directors Meeting Conference Room II-III
6:00 pm	Informal Reception Prairie Deli Buffet/Cash Bar Regency A & Regency BII

Monday January 29, 2018

7:00 am	Registration Convention Hallway
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:00 am	Welcome from City of Manhattan Regency A & Regency BII
9:00 am	Ladies Program Connie Larson KS Quilt Traders Association Conference Room 4

General Session Regency B1

Moderator—President Elect James Fenwick	
8:30 am	Kansas Water Office Tracy Streeter
9:00 am	Kansas Dept. of Agriculture Division of Conservation Steve Frost
9:30 am	Natural Resources Conservation Service Larry Schieferecke
10:00 am	Break
10:30 am	Kansas One-Call Russ Baxter
11:00 am	Kansas Department of Transportation/Kansas Highway Patrol Don Hughes/Mike Love
11:30 am	Memorial Luncheon Regency A & Regency BII

Monday January 29, 2018

2:00 pm	Ladies Program HyVee Cooking Class HyVee Supermarket
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General Session Regency B1

1:30 pm	Leica Geosystems Mike Harre
2:00 pm	Financial Planning Dillard Financial Solutions Steve Dillard
2:45 pm	Break
3:00 pm	Distracted Driving Course United Fire Group Mike Scott
3:00 pm	Associate Members Meeting Conference Room II & III
5:00 pm	Associates Evening/Social Regency A & Regency BII
7:00 pm	Associate of the Year Award Auction

Tuesday January 30, 2018

8:00 am	Breakfast Buffet Regency A & Regency BII
9:00 am	District Meetings Regency A & Regency BII
10:00 am	Members Annual Business Meeting Regency B1
11:30 am	Awards Luncheon Regency A & Regency BII

This concludes the 67th Annual meeting of the Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association. Thank you for your participation. Have a safe trip home and all the best for the next year!





Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association
67th Annual Convention
 Four Points by Sheraton, Manhattan, Kansas
 January 28, 29, & 30, 2018
 Registration Form

Business Name _____

	Entire Convention \$150.00	Single Day (Indicate Day) \$50.00
Individual Names Registering:		
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Totals:	_____	_____

Registration must be returned by January 12, 2018. Please return to: Jon L. Ungerer
 (No refunds after January 12, 2018) KLICA
 850 US Hwy 77
 Marysville, KS 66508

By registering for the KLICA 2018 State Convention you agree that any photograph taken of you during the Convention may be used in KLICA communications including the KLICA web and facebook pages and newsletter.

Forms may also be emailed to jungerer@kansasilica.com with payment to follow.
 If you have questions please contact Jon at 785 221-8697 or jungerer@kansasilica.com

If you have a donation of an auction item(s) you would like to indicate at this time please list below:

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For hotel reservations please contact the Four Points by Sheraton directly at 785 539-5311.
 Convention room rates \$79.00 a night. Must be made by December 28, 2017. Indicate you are with the KLICA group when calling.



Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association
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 Associate Registration Form

Business Name: _____

Contact Individual: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Please indicate if your company would like an exhibitor booth and/or to be a Convention Sponsor:

Exhibitor Booth: \$275.00 _____	Please note the change in convention format this year. Sunday evening will be an informal reception with food and cash bar. Booth set up will be Sunday night or Monday morning before 10:00 am. Associates night and auction will be Monday night. The Associates Meeting will be Monday after lunch during the General Session and before the afternoon break.
Includes one convention registration _____	
Convention Sponsor:	
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Includes two convention registrations _____	
Copper Level Sponsor: \$250.00 _____	
Includes one convention registration _____	

No booth or sponsorship: _____

Convention Registration Names: (If not included in a booth or sponsorship above individual registration is \$150.00 for full convention or \$50.00 for one day.)

	Full \$150.00	Day \$50.00	Included Above
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Welcome New Members

The Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association continues to grow and we want to welcome the following new members. Thank you for joining and we look forward to years of mutual benefit to your business and KLICA.

- Davis Farms & Cattle - Columbus, KS
Mike Davis
- McAnany Construction, Inc. - Shawnee, KS
Ben McAnany

New Associate Members

- Dillard Financial Solutions - Sumter, SC
Steven & Teresa Dillard
- Precision Intakes, Ltd. - Monroe, IA
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For additional information regarding the LICA 2018 National Winter Convention in Charleston, SC including hotel information, registration, etc. see the LICA webpage: <http://www.licanational.com/events/2018-national-winter-convention/>

The members of KLICA extend condolences to families of the following:

Albert 'Bud' Malsam of Malsam Terracing Company, Wakeeney, Kansas passed away October 23, 2017.

Dean Ohlsen, of Ohlsen Construction, Netawaka, Kansas passed away October 25, 2017.



"Unable are the loved to die.
For love is immortality."
Emily Dickinson



2018 National Winter Convention Tentative Agenda

Tuesday, February 20

10:00 am - 2:00 pm Fort Sumter Tour
9:00 am - 2:00 pm Magnolia Plantation & Gardens
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Executive Committee

10:45 am - 11:45 pm Convention Long-Term/Past Pres. On-Site Waste Safety/Insurance

12:00 pm **Lunch**
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Associates Awards Membership Policy

Wednesday, February 21

8:45 am - 4:00 pm Charleston & Patriots Point Tour

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm Region Meetings
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm Budget

Thursday, February 22

8:00 am - 8:45 am National Benefits
9:00 am - 9:45 am OSHA Final Rule: Respirable Crystalline Silica Presented by: CNA Insurance
10:00 am - 10:45 am Drones in Construction Presented by: John Deere
11:00 am - 11:45 am Selecting the Trucks for your Applications Presented by: Mack Trucks

Saturday, February 24

8:00 am - 8:30 am Devotions
9:30 am - 10:30 am Delegates Meeting
10:45 am - 11:45 am Board Meeting
12:30 pm **Lunch**
6:00 pm **CNA Reception**
7:00 pm **Caterpillar Awards Banquet**

Friday, February 23

7:00 am - 7:30 am Devotions
7:30 am - 8:00 am Committee Chairs
8:00 am - 10:00 am Executive Directors
8:15 am - 9:15 am Education/Tech Legislative Water Table Mgmt.
9:30 am - 10:30 am By- Laws Conservation, Exc. Ladies/Devotions Nominating

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The following information is from USDA news releases and informational web pages:

USDA has selected Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) projects for 2018 totaling \$220 million across 91 selected projects. Conservation districts or the state associations of conservation districts will lead 23 of these projects in 2018 from across all seven of the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD's) regions. Totaling \$40.59 million, these projects will assist with water quality, wildfire mitigation, landscape-scale grassland restoration, drought resiliency, establishing wildlife habitat, and combating invasive species. The conservation district-led projects also address soil health as it pertains to forest health, wildlife habitat, and stormwater management. For additional information on RCPP and a list of projects see the USDA/NRCS website: <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/national/programs/farmbill/rcpp/>

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will add 30 new watersheds in 2018 to its premiere water quality initiative, which helps landowners improve water quality while strengthening agricultural operations. USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will invest more than \$30 million this year in 201 high-priority watersheds across the country. For additional information on the National Water Quality Initiative see the USDA/NRCS website: <https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/national/programs/initiatives/?cid=stelprdb1047761>



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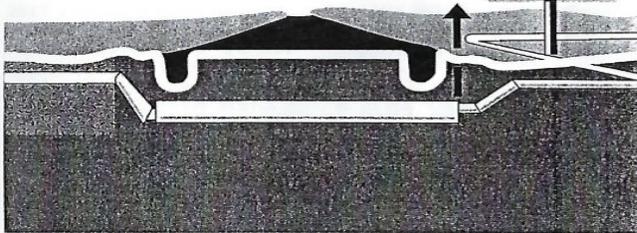


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On the Other Side of the Dozer Blade

by Margaret Smelser

One-thirty this morning, January 6 of the New year. Our low, so far has been 7 degrees below zero. We had such a mild, dry Fall, the cold and an inch of snow which still lingers - a White Christmas. The year 2017 was a great one for David and Lee. Almost too good - a mixed blessing when I see how tired they are at times. The usual variety - clearing, property clean-up, rock walls for landscaping, etc. A few days ago finding and fixing a water leak that had flooded a neighbors kitchen. It sometimes gets hard for an older person who lives alone.

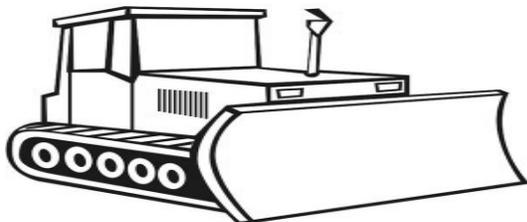


They did have an interesting day when a county deputy and city officer visited them while they burned brush piles near Leavenworth. They had a permit - but folks are easily excited about fire.

Lloyd and I find plenty to do; now I'm facing my yearly challenge of tax work. We had family here both for Thanksgiving and Christmas. We have much to be thankful for after a hard summer health wise. Jean did a lot of yard mowing.

A big change in our family when our Ottawa girl moved to Beaver Dam, WI due to the husband's job change. It's pretty tough getting used to, for a girl who never liked winter. Our grandson moved to Montana and "Cowboy Sam" to a ranch in Nebraska. Our "clan" is scattering.

We had a good garden but it was neglected those weeks Lloyd was in the hospital. It was good to share. We sold calves and all cows this Fall. No babies this winter and no bottle calves in the lot.



As I finish this it's Sunday afternoon, 38 degrees and a light rain off and on. We look back at 2017 with political turmoil, wars, rumors of wars, terrific storms & fires. I'm thankful to live in Kansas. Look ahead, be the best we can be where the Lord has put us and have a blessed New Year. While I take down the reds and greens of Christmas I'll look ahead to the golds in the spring - jonquils forsythia, and others!



"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts."

Winston Churchill



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Important dates for your calendar.

- **January 28 - 30, 2018**
KLICA Winter Convention
Four Points by Sheraton
Manhattan, Kansas
- **February 20 - 24, 2018**
2018 National Winter Convention
Hyatt Place/Hyatt House
Charleston, South Carolina
- **July 9 - 15, 2018**
2018 National Summer Meeting
Amway Grand Plaza Hotel
Grand Rapids, Michigan

