Providence: An APPA U Experience

By Corey Newman

PPA U recently wrapped up in Providence, Rhode Island, showcasing another successful professional development gathering of APPA's Institute for Facilities Management, Leadership Academy, and Graduate Program. Colleagues from around the globe were welcomed to learn, network, and collaborate.

We are grateful for the dedicated faculty who make these offerings such a success.

A special note of thanks goes to Institute Deans: Mary Vosevich, Chris Smeds, Lynne Finn, and Don Guckert; our Academy Faculty: Glenn Smith, Elizabeth Clark, Shawna Code, Lindsay Wagner, Matt Adams, Chris Walsh, Viron Lynch, and Ana Thiemer; and our Graduate Program Faculty: Chuck Scott and Jim Jackson.

Throughout the week, students had opportunities to interact with

experts who shared their knowledge and experience from diverse backgrounds and provided a resourcerich environment for all attendees. Approximately 400 facilities professionals from the United States, Canada, and Lebanon attended.

As the week drew to a close, we celebrated with graduation ceremonies for the class of September 2017 (including 51 new alumni). A big kudos to all of those institutional leaders who supported the professional development of their staff!

The professional development of any individual must be as customizable as the individuals themselves, and APPA is here to help everyone achieve their personal, organizational, and institutional goals.

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Institute Graduates



ACADEMY GRADUATES

In alphabetical order; not all graduates are pictured

Shaheen Bou Jawdeh, Lebanese American University Steven Brandenburg, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville Barry Christensen, University of Nebraska - Lincoln Andrew Currin, Duke University T J Hanson, University of Lethbridge Paul Hood, Texas Christian University Roy Kerlegan, US Government Tony Kopacz, San Diego State University Joshua Koss, San Diego State University Christian Maughan, Weber State University Ivan Mercado, Weber State University Ellen Newell, Arizona State University Jacob Olson, University of Nebraska - Lincoln Paul Rasmussen, Concordia College Christopher Reyes, Occidental College Herb Richmond, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Randall Rimes, Georgia State University Bart Smith, Brigham Young Unversity Eric Waterfall, Weber State University Tom Wienand, Arizona State University

INSTITUTE GRADUATES

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Christopher S. Bartonlone, Marquette University Dale K. Bennett, Texas Tech University Roger A. Bensyl, University of Illinois Adrian T. Bou Jawdeh, Lebanese American University Douglas R. Cato, The University of North Carolina/Greensboro Belinda R. Dovalina, University of Texas/San Antonio Doug E. Eppley, Saint Vincent College Steven T. Feck, Miami University Dan Fuller, Utah State University Mike T. Gardner, Michigan State University John R. Gleason. Denver Public School E.J. Hool, Montana State University Mark E. Lawrence, Miami University Mario H. Menard, University of Ottawa Mark A. Moon, University of North Carolina Thomas P. Moore, University of Iowa Karen M. Pinkham, Cañada College Romie D. Prince, University of Maryland Cameron D. Ratliff, University of Virginia Adrian C. Reynolds, University of Pennsylvania Jennifer Salyers, University of Colorado Bradley D. Schenkel, University of Wisconsin/Madison Kirsta L. Scranton, University of Iowa Randy J. Stephens, Montana State University Jack R. Ward, University of Laveran Carl L. Whitten, University of New Hampshire Jamieson E. Wickes, Massachusetts Art Institute Rory J. Wieber, University of Iowa Kevin D. Williams, University of Arizona Dale A. Wise, University of Illinois