

Welder, cust. serv. sr. rep. sought

The water utility is seeking a welder and a customer service senior rep.

The welder position closes on June 13 and is open to all qualified candidates.

Welders performs tradework in joining, cutting, repairing, or re-designing metal. Uses acetylene, electric, and arc welding equipment. Requires high school diploma or GED, four years of welding experience, or completion of a one-year welding course at an accredited institution and three years of experience. Must possess a state driver's license.

The customer service senior rep position is only open to current city employees with promotional rights. It closes on June 12.

The rep resolves customer concerns and resolves difficult communication with the public. Plans, organizes, and produces work which requires independent judgement and specialized knowledge on customer accounts/issues.

The position requires at least two years experience as a customer service rep or three years experience as an office assistant III with considerable responsibility assisting the public in resolving their concerns. Some college education is also required.

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Supervisor academy celebrates graduates



Graduates of the winter 2017 and spring 2018 supervisor academy were honored in a ceremony on May 24 at the Arlington Hills Community room. There were 20 graduates from the water utility. In attendance, front row, front left, are: Hayley Heidelberg, Renee Huset, Mollie Gagnelius, Krista Anderson, Jodi Wallin, and Steve Schneider, who spoke at the graduation. In the back row, from left, are Ben Feldman, Rich Hibbard, Brent Marsolek, and Tom Buth. Not pictured are: Tim Bagstad, Jim Burchard, Che Fei Chen, Brian Finnegan, Sandy Hernandez, Yvonne Hutter, George Moy, Ron Reeves, Justine Roe, Joe Tronson, and Racquel Vaske.

Customer writes in to express his thanks for the 'good tasting water'

It's not every day that we hear from the public about what a great job we do here at Saint Paul Regional Water Services, but customer Roy F. Stauff wrote in on May 3 to tell us that.

Here is what he had to say:

Dear SPRWS folks,

Thank you so much for your continuing effort to provide us customers with clean, healthy, and—most of the time—good tasting water.

**A thankful customer.
Roy F. Stauff**

Kavaloski and Thurstin retire



Chuck Kavaloski, right, receives his retirement plaque from Jim Bode, left, at his retirement reception on May 31.

Chuck Kavaloski and Paul Thurstin both retired from the water utility on May 31.

Chuck started with the utility in 1986 as a water plant aide. He was promoted to maintenance worker in 1989.

In 1995, he was promoted to water maintenance supervisor. He became a water plant production supervisor in 2004, and moved to water plant production supervisor II in 2009. That is the position from which he retires.



Paul Thurstin, center, flanked by Glenn Crain and Katie Rohrbacher on his right, and Jan Lindgren and Tom Zangs on his left, in 2007.

He leaves SPRWS with 32 years of service.

Paul started with city fire department as a plumbing inspector in 1990.

He joined the water utility in 1993 as a plumbing inspector.

It is the title he has held throughout his career here.

He leaves with 28 years of service to the city, 25 of which he spent at the water utility.

Congratulations to both of them on their retirements!

Job openings

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For more information and full requirements for either position or to apply, go to www.stpaul.gov/jobs and select current job openings for the welder position, or go up to the menu and select internal openings for the customer service senior rep. position.

Two promoted



Jorden Reeves



Kevin Romero

Jorden Reeves and Kevin Romero were recently promoted to new positions.

Jorden is now a water service worker II.

Kevin now works as a supply system supervisor I.

Congratulations to Jorden and Kevin on their new positions!

Utility hires three temps and two certified employees

The utility has hired three water utility workers, a plumbing inspector, and an info. tech. analyst IV.

Cedric Hicks, Tim Lick, and Logan McRea are all water utility worker temps working for the construction season.

Jim Siebenaler started as a plumbing inspector on May 29, reporting to Mollie Gagnelius in



Cedric Hicks



Tim Lick



Logan McRea

the administration building.

Nick Sprenke started as an info. tech. analyst IV on May 31.

He reports to Don Cheney in the treatment plant.

Please welcome all of our new



Jim Siebenaler



Nick Sprenke

seasonal temps and new full-time employees to the water utility!