

# Sourdough News

## December 2014



## CHAPTER MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21ST

The next monthly Chapter meeting will be taking place on Wednesday, January 21st at the **MOA Permit Center**. This month's speaker will be Ronald Baird Attorney at Law. The presentation topic: Eminent Domain and recent case law

Board Meeting: 10:30 am MOA Permit Center, Anchorage, AK  
Meeting Starts: 11:45 am 4700 Elmore Road  
Speaker: 12:00 pm Please RSVP by Monday, January 19th by accepting the calendar invite or emailing [cmueller@dowlhkm.com](mailto:cmueller@dowlhkm.com).

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy holidays to everyone! Please remember that we are essentially taking the holidays off and not meeting in December – our next meeting will be on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Speaking of our monthly meetings, we are changing venue for the foreseeable future and holding the bulk of our meetings at the Municipal Permit Center. This change will allow our chapter to better control the expense (mostly for food) associated with these meetings.

So, on January 21<sup>st</sup> we will meet at the MOA Permit Center (4700 Elmore Rd.). Prior to this meeting we will send out a meeting invite with the options for food; we plan to provide box lunches or catered food from various vendors depending on demand. If you want to attend the meeting and buy some food we'll add you to the RSVP list. Our speaker in January will be Ron Baird, Esq. who will discuss the ins-and-outs of condemnation and other legal topics.

Also in January will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Chapter 49 Sledding Party and Chili Cook-Off. In lieu of our typical Christmas Party we have decided to hold a Winter Event after the holidays – so on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> we will be at the Russian Jack Chalet for our sledding party between 12:30 and 3:30pm. What better way to prepare for the Super Bowl! Bring the kids, sleds, and skis – hopefully we will have snow. We will also have a chill cook-off with prizes and fun stuff for everyone. Fortunately for me Claire Mueller has volunteered to help me organize this event so there will be a number of activities for everyone - start perfecting your chili now. We will send out an announcement with specifics regarding the after the Christmas holiday.

Also in January we will hold the IRWA Course 215 – Right of Way Agent's Development Program on the 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will be sending out an announcement regarding this course very soon.



## DATES & EVENTS

### JANUARY 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Board Meeting 10:30 am Monthly Lunch 11:45 am MOA Permit Center	22 Course 215 MOA Permit Center 8am-5pm	23 Course 215 MOA Permit Center 8am-5pm	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 Holiday Party Chili Contest Re-gift Auction

### FEBRUARY 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Board Meeting 10:30am Monthly Lunch 11:45am MOA Permit Center	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

### UPCOMING MONTHLY LUNCHEON DATES:

**December No Luncheon**

**January Monthly Luncheon:**  
Wednesday January 21, 2015

**February Monthly Luncheon:**  
Wednesday February 18th, 2015

### OTHER EVENTS:

January 22 & 23, 2015  
Course 215: Right of Way Agent's Developmen Pogram  
Tim Trawver, SR/WA  
346-2433  
tim@trawverlandservices.com

March 2 & 3, 2015  
Course 501: Residentil Relocation Assistance  
Deanna Kilburn, RWA  
644-2043  
deanna.kilburn@hdrinc.com

March 5 & 6, 2015  
Course 502: Business Relocation Assistance  
Fran Murphy  
343-8283  
murphyfm@muni.org

## UPCOMING COURSES

### **IRWA Course 215: Right of Way Agent's Development Program**

**Date:** January 22 & 23, 2015

**Location:** MOA Training Room: 4700 Elmore Road

**Facilitator:** TBD

**Coordinator:** Tim Trawver, SR/WA      Email: tim@trawverlandservices.com; 346-2433

**Course Description:** This award-winning course is designed specifically for right of way professionals working in the pipeline industry but useful for any linear right of way acquisition program, including electric transmission lines. This comprehensive course emphasizes areas of pipeline right of way acquisitions that benefit both executive and entry level professionals. In addition to the topic chapters listed below, participants will receive sample checklists, charts, forms, reference lists, facts sheets, glossary of pipeline related words, and sample correspondence letters, all of which are designed to help the pipeline professional.

### **IRWA Course 501: Residential Relocation Assistance**

**Date:** March 2 & 3, 2015

**Location:** MOA Training Room: 4700 Elmore Road

**Facilitator:** Brad Thomas, SR/WA, R/W-RAC

**Coordinator:** Deanna Kilburn, RWA      Email: Deanna.kilburn@hdrinc.com; 644-2043

**Course Description:** This course discusses the processes and procedures involved in providing relocation assistance to residential occupants. Materials presented are based on the lead agency's (Federal Highway Administration) regulations in implementing the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 as amended.

### **IRWA Course 502: Business Relocation Assistance**

**Date:** March 5 & 6, 2015

**Location:** MOA Training Room: 4700 Elmore Road

**Facilitator:** Brad Thomas, SR/WA, R/W-RAC

**Coordinator:** Fran Murphy      Email: murphyfm@muni.org; 343-8283

**Course Description:** This course presents the processes necessary to relocate a business. Participants will learn how to apply provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, in conjunction with the Surface Transportation and Relocation Assistance Act of 1987, and subsequent revisions, to the relocation of non-residential entities.

## NEW MEMBER WELCOME & THANK YOU

Joshua Reznick

Lisa Doehl

Gary Gervelis

Emerson Krueger

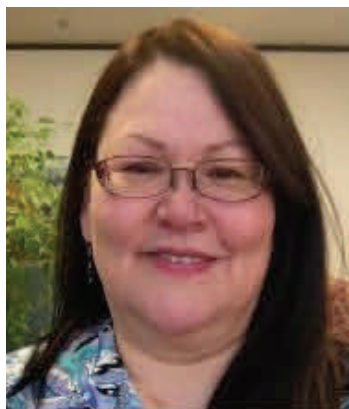
Fred Thoerner

**Welcome aboard. We look forward to meeting you and getting you involved on our chapter.**

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORNER

### SR/WA Candidates

Mychael Alfaro  
 Paula Brault  
 Nancy Cameron  
 Andrew Frazier  
 Martin Hansen  
 Rick Kauzlarich  
 Douglas Mroch  
 Jeri Ann Strand  
 Fran Murphy



Diane Sam, SR/WA



Fred Mortimer, SR/WA

### Certification Candidates:

#### Uniform Act Certification (R/W-URAC)

Donna Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC  
 Dave Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC

#### R/W-RAC Recertification

Dave Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC

**Fred Mortimer, SR/WA and Diane Sam, SR/WA are Sourdough Chapter 49's latest SR/WA's.**

**We will have SR/WA plaques and pins presentation at the January 21, 2015 Luncheon/Meeting**

**Elizabeth Hoffman has submitted SR/WA Candidacy Completion paperwork to IRWA Headquarters.**

## NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE NEWS

### CALL FOR CHAPTER 49 PROFESSIONAL, PROJECT AND EMPLOYER OF 2014 AWARD NOMINATIONS

The 2014 nominations for Professional, Project and Employer of 2014 are now being accepted.

Please download the nomination forms from the Chapter website at <http://www.irwa49.org/> or contact N&E committee chair Tom Kretzschmar ([Thomas.Kretzschmar@hdrinc.com](mailto:Thomas.Kretzschmar@hdrinc.com)) 907-644-2029 to request a copy of the forms.

Nominations are due no later than Thursday, January 15, 2015. Awards will be presented at the January 31st Winter Party at Russian Jack Park in Anchorage.

Awardees will be advanced for consideration as international award selections at the conference at San Diego in June 2015.

Time is short. Act now to support your favorites, and Chapter 49!

### ELECTRONIC VOTING FOR OFFICERS IN 2015

Beginning in January of 2015, calls for nominations of the 2015-2016 Chapter President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer positions will begin.

The slate of nominated officers will be recommended to the membership at the March meeting. Nominations from the floor will be accepted.

The vote will be held online for the first time. Online test votes have recently been held using various voting websites and sample groups of Chapter members. The response and results have been overwhelmingly positive.

The finalized slate will be sent to all Chapter members via email invitations with a link to a secure and confidential voting website. Your vote is secret and will be counted.

The cost of elections will fall to \$19 and the voter participation is expected to rise.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM IRWA CHAPTER 49



**HAPPY NEW YEAR AND HOPE TO SEE ALL OF YOU AT THE  
WINTER PARTY!**



Chapter 49:  
[www.irwa49.org](http://www.irwa49.org)

Region 7:  
[www.irwaregion7.org](http://www.irwaregion7.org)

International:  
[www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org)

### About the IRWA

Since its inception as a not-for-profit association in 1934, IRWA has united the efforts of its members toward professional development, strong ethics, and improved service to employers and the public, along with advancements within the right of way profession. IRWA is the unsurpassed source of right of way educational programs and professional services worldwide.

### Our Members

Dedicated exclusively to the right of way profession, IRWA has nearly 10,000 members throughout the U.S. and Canada. Our members are multi-disciplined professionals employed by private industry and government agencies as Acquisition Agents, Appraisers, Environment Professionals, Engineers, Lawyers, Property Managers, Relocation Assistance Agents, Surveyors, and Title Experts.

### Professional Development Focus

Billions of dollars are spent annually in the acquisition, management, and transfer of rights of way. With the technical skills required for proficiency in this complex activity, IRWA's specialized education and training programs, leading to professional certifications and the IRWA's designation, the SR/WA, provide an essential foundation for right of way professionals across the U.S. and Canada. Visit our website at [www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org) to review the descriptions of the more than 50 courses currently available and our credentialing program.

## 2014 CHAPTER 49 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### President International Director

Steve Schmitt, PLS, SR/WA  
[schmittsg@muni.org](mailto:schmittsg@muni.org); 343-8366

### Vice-President International Director

Paula Brault  
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### Treasurer

Louise Hooyer, SR/WA  
[louise\\_hooyer@alaska.gov](mailto:louise_hooyer@alaska.gov); 269-0713

### Lunch Coordinator

**HELP WANTED!!**

### Secretary

Frederick Mortimer  
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### Immediate Past President

Donna Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC  
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### Education

Kathryn Schreckenghost  
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### Professional Development

Judy Hartley, SR/WA  
[judyhartley49@gmail.com](mailto:judyhartley49@gmail.com); 688-5101

Bonnie Bailey, SR/WA-Vice-Chair  
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### Membership

Becky Glenn  
[rglenn@mta-telco.com](mailto:rglenn@mta-telco.com); 761-2510

### Nominations and Elections

Tom Kretzschmar, Chair  
[thomas.kretzschmar@hdrinc.com](mailto:thomas.kretzschmar@hdrinc.com);

### 2017 Conference

Pat Thayer, SR/WA-Chair  
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Kathryn Schreckenghost-Vice-Chair  
[kschreckenghost@drydenlarue.com](mailto:kschreckenghost@drydenlarue.com); 646-5169

### Newsletter

Claire Mueller  
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### Alaska Membership Directory

Alan C. Trawver, SR/WA  
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### Website (Chapter 49 and Region 7)

Timothy A. Trawver, SR/WA  
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### Picnic Coordinator

Steve Schmitt, PLS, SR/WA  
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### Programs

Vicki Gerken, SR/WA  
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Dan Beardsley, SR/WA-Vice-Chair  
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## 2015 New Years' Resolution:

- 1) Take the following RWA Chapter 49 classes:

Jan 22-23- 215	Right of Way Agent's Development Program	Tim Trawer 907-346-2433
March 5- 501	Residential Relocation Assistance	Deanna Kilburn 907-644-2043
March 6- 502	Business Relocation	Fran Murphy 907-343-8283
April 24- 410	Reviewing Appraisals In Eminent Domain	Patricia Hooyer 907-269-0713
Sept 28-29 - 200	Principles of Real Estate Negotiations	Matthew Burkholder 907-269-0701
Oct 22-23- 417	The Valuation of Environmentally Contaminated Real Estate	Course Coordinator Needed

- 2) Contact Kathryn with classes that I need  
Kathryn (907) 646-5169 or [katsch@drydenlarue.com](mailto:katsch@drydenlarue.com)
- 3) Become a Course Coordinator
- 4) Win the lottery!!!!!! 😊

# Happy Holidays From the 2017 Committee!!!

**Next 2017 Meeting:**

January 15, 2015 at 5:00 pm

At Dryden & LaRue, Inc.

Call in:

1-866-994-6437

Code: 8226712

**Get involved  
Today!!**

**Volunteer  
Opportunity!!**

## Unwanted Gifts Wanted!!!!

Every year everyone gets at least one gift they do not want or need. This year we would like you to regift your unwanted holiday gifts to our silent auction to be held at Chapter 49's Winter Party. The proceeds of the auction will go to the 2017 Conference effort. Please contact Kathryn or Claire if you are interested in bringing a regift to the Winter Party, on January 31, 2015.

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Claire (907) 562-2000 [cmueller@dowlhkm.com](mailto:cmueller@dowlhkm.com)

