

# Sourdough News

## October 2014



## CHAPTER MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

The next monthly Chapter meeting will be taking place on Wednesday, October 15th at the Coast International Inn. This month's speaker will be Tina Miller from Anchorage Water & Wastewater Utility and Terry Lamberson from the Municipality of Anchorage Public Works department. The presentation topic: GIS and Land Records.

Board Meeting: 10:30 am Coast International Inn, Anchorage, AK  
Meeting Starts: 11:45 am 3450 Aviation Avenue  
Speaker: 12:00 pm Please RSVP by Monday, October 13th by accepting the calendar invite or emailing [cmueller@dowlhkm.com](mailto:cmueller@dowlhkm.com).

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I'm sure that everyone is busy this time of year as the snow is moving down the mountains and this year's construction season is winding down. Remember to mark your calendars for the October IRWA meeting at noon on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> at the Coast Hotel; this month we will have a discussion about Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Land Records presented by Tina Miller (AWWU) & Terry Lamberson (MOA Public Works). This riveting topic will be accompanied by a 5-star meal and dessert (dessert provided by me this month).

This year we are planning to have a 'Winter Party' in lieu of our standard Christmas Party; the Chapter 49 Board discussed our options and felt that the holidays are crazy enough without trying to schedule another Christmas party in the mix. This season we plan to hold an event for the whole family at the Russian Jack Chalet so please set aside Saturday January 31<sup>st</sup> for the 1<sup>st</sup> annual IRWA Chapter 49 Sledding Party and Chilli Cook Off. Details for the event are still in process so stay tuned.

The Region & Fall Forum will be held in Fairbanks on 24<sup>th</sup> – IRWA Course 105 will be offered on Thursday the 23rd in conjunction with the forum – so if you are in Fairbanks, want to learn more about the Uniform Act, or simply want to hang out with a large group of right-of-way professionals this is your opportunity. Also, Course 505 (Advanced Relocation) will be offered on October 21st in Anchorage so if you are working on your relocation certification you may want to sign up for this class.



## DATES & EVENTS

### OCTOBER 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Board Meeting 10:30 am Monthly Lunch 11:45 am Coast Int. Inn	16	17	18
19	20	21 Course 505: Advanced Residential Relocation Assistance	22	23	24	26
26	27	28	29	30	31	

### NOVEMBER 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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### OTHER EVENTS:

October 21, 2014  
 Course 505: Advanced Residential Relocation Assistance  
 Donna Williams, SR/WA,  
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November 20, 2014  
 Course 606: The Environmental Process  
 Deanna Kilburn, RWA  
 644-2043  
 deanna.kilburn@hdrinc.com

### UPCOMING MONTHLY LUNCHEON DATES:

**November Monthly Luncheon:**  
 Wednesday November 19, 2014

**December No Luncheon**

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

## UPCOMING COURSES

### IRWA Course 505: Advanced Residential Relocation Assistance

**Date:** October 21, 2014      **Location:** Dryden and LaRue, Inc. 3305 Arctic Blvd, Suite 201

**Instructor:** Brad Thomas SR/WA, R/W-RAC of HDR Inc.

**Coordinator:** Donna Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC      Email: dmwilliams@drydenlarue.com; 646-5167

**Course Description:** This course requires a thorough understanding of the relocation process. This course begins with an awareness exam; then, in case-study format, covers residential relocation issues. There is a detailed analysis of each case study so that participants understand the lead agency's theory behind its interpretation of the situation. Facts are applied in order to simulate a relocation that is consistent with the intent of the Uniform Act.

### IRWA Course 606: The Environmental Process

**Date:** November 20, 2014      **Location:** MOA Training Room: 4700 Elmore Road

**Instructor:** Michael Travis of Travis/Peterson Environmental Consulting, Inc.

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

**Course Description:** This course familiarizes participants with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other important legislation which guides the project development process, as well as the various agencies and stakeholders involved. Participants are also introduced to the right of way professional's role in each phase of the project development process and the responsibilities for which he or she will be held accountable when seeing a project through to completion. For purposes of this course, right of way acquisition and management is defined broadly to include acquisition and management of real property, typically for construction projects (linear and non-linear), but also for other purposes such as environmental mitigation.

## THANK YOU

**Tom Kretzschmar has volunteered to take over the Nominations & Elections Chair Thank You!**

We are still looking for someone interested in taking over the Membership Chair and Treasurer positions so if you are interested please contact Steve Schmitt.



**Thank you Lori Schanche, for your presentation on Kings Landing at Ship Creek Project and the future plans for the area!**



**Thank you Van Lee, for your presentation on the West Dimond Upgrade Project**

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORNER

Fred Mortimor, ARWP, is Sourdough Chapter 49's latest SR/WA. Congratulations Fred! We are awaiting his SR/WA plaque and pin.

Diane Sam has submitted SR/WA Candidacy Completion paperwork to IRWA Headquarters.

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

Michelle Colby, SR/WA, R/W - NAC, R/W - RAC is SR/WA re-certified .

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

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

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

### SR/WA Candidates

Mychael Alfaro

Paula Brault

Nancy Cameron

Andrew Frazier

Martin Hansen

Elizabeth Hoffman

Rick Kauzlarich

Frederick Mortimer

Douglas Mroch

Diane Sam

Jeri Ann Strand

Fran Murphy



Thank you, Donna Williams, SR/WA, R/W-RAC for your time as our Chapter President. Here's your real plaque!



Tim Mullikin, PLS, SR/WA receiving his SR/WA plaque and pin!



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

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#### 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

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**HELP WANTED!!**

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# IRWA Chapter 49 Education Schedule



## Up Coming Classes\*

### 2014

Oct 21-	505	Advanced Residential Relocation Assistance	Donna Williams 907-646-5167
Nov 20-	606	The Environmental Process	Deanna Kilburn 907-644-2043

### 2015

Jan 22-23-	215	Right of Way Agent's Development Program	Tim Trawver 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	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>

### 2016

	505	Advanced Residential Relocation Assistance	Fran Murphy 343-8283
	506	Advanced Business Relocation Assistance	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	209	Negotiating Effectively with a Diverse Clientele	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	604	Environmental Due Diligence and Liability	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	431	Problems in the Valuation of Partial Acquisitions	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>

### 2017

	230	Oil and Gas Land Basics and Related Surface Rights Issues	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	902	Property Descriptions	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	400	Principles of Real Estate Appraisal	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>
	205	Bargaining Negotiations	<i>Course Coordinator Needed</i>

\* Subject to change

## 2017 Committee Volunteers Wanted

The Following are some of the committees you can volunteer for:

- Conference Registration
- Signs for Direction, Information and Sponsors/Room Monitors
- Transportation
- Hospitality Suites
- Pictures/Photographers
- Promotion and Publicity
- Meal Functions/ Installation Banquet / No-Host Functions
- Music and Entertainment
- Optional Tours and Activities Before, During and After the Conference
- Conference Speakers
- Fundraising
- Bag Stuffers
- Receiving warehouse

If you would like to volunteer

please contact

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# HAPPY HALLOWEEN

From the 2017 Committee



## **Our Foundations Say..... Thank You For Being A Friend!**

IRWA is fortunate to have two Foundations working to generate funding for educational products. With one core mission, both the Right of Way International Education Foundation (RWIEF) and the Canadian Right of Way Education Foundation (CRWEF) raise funds to expand and enhance education materials and professional development tools for right of way practitioners worldwide. Besides the important work of raising funds, these events are just plain FUN!

### **Support for Right of Way Education at IRWA's Hartford Education Conference Was Fantastic!**

This year's Monday night event was a terrific science experiment! Held at the Connecticut Science Center, the event featured the Center's five floors of interactive science exhibits, along with excellent eats, drinks and music. The event closed out with the ever-entertaining live auction including aggressive bidding for the infamous President's doll. Thanks to dedicated sponsors, this wildly successful event raised proceeds of approximately \$46,000.

Hosting their 18<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament, the RWIEF and CRWEF sent 132 golfers out onto the beautiful (but tricky) Tower Ridge Country Club. The course, nestled into the Talcott Mountain Range, invited creative shot making and offered gorgeous long-distance views. This year's outing raised approximately \$31,000.

### **So What Do You Get Out Of This?**

For starters, a much bigger bang for your education buck. IRWA is the unsurpassed source of right of way education programs and professional development tools worldwide. But IRWA cannot provide the level of programming currently enjoyed without subsidies. Since the 2005 Education Summit, RWIEF and CRWEF have funded approximately \$1,290,000 in new course development, updates to existing courses, leadership training and the new *Principles of Right of Way* text. This financial support makes a tremendous difference in the number, variety and quality of IRWA's educational products, benefiting all product users. Even if you haven't yet taken an education course, you have benefited as a networking member of IRWA. Profits from course sales go directly to IRWA's general operating budget providing for member services, annual conferences, production of *Right of Way Magazine* and the IRWA website, as well as organizational support for chapters, regions and committees.

### **Contributions Connect Us All**

Giving back to one's profession instills a sense of pride, makes a positive difference in our industry and illuminates the path for younger people entering the industry. Contributing to our common good connects us to others and makes us better people and better professionals. The Foundations' hats are off and we want *you* to stand up and take a bow! Thank You For Being A Friend!

The Foundations wish to express their gratitude to all who donated money, time, food, labor, energy and enthusiasm to this year's fund raising activities. Special thanks go to the golf tournament and Monday night event sponsors. Such successful results would not be possible without them.