

Sourdough News

November/December 2016



CHAPTER MEETING NOVEMBER 16TH, 2016

Speaker: John Sturgeon

Subject: Sturgeon vs National Park Service

Executive Board Meeting: 10:30 am

Luncheon Begins: 11:45 am

Speaker Presentation: 12:00 pm

Meeting Location: Municipality of Anchorage Permit Center
4700 Elmore Road, Anchorage

To order lunch, please RSVP by Monday, November 14th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**** MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER:** Keep your membership current! Invoices for annual membership dues have been mailed. Save a stamp and renew at www.irwaonline.org. There are options available to assist in keeping your membership current. Contact Bonnie at gray@irwaonline.org for details.

**NEW WEBSITE

- NEW IRWA Sourdough 49 and Arctic Trails Chapter 71 Webpage
CHECK IT OUT! www.irwaalaska.org

**NEW DATES

- C-604 Environmental Due Diligence and Liability rescheduled to November 14, 2016 **SIGN UP NOW!**
- C-215 Right of Way Pipeline Projects **Rescheduled to February 23-24, 2017**

**SAVE THESE DATES!

- December 15th, 2016 IRWA 2017 Ed. Conf. Planning Meeting
- June 11-14th, 2017 IRWA International Education Conference in Anchorage

UPCOMING LUNCH DATES:

December: No Meeting

January 18th:
10:30 am Executive Board Meeting
11:45 am Networking Luncheon

OTHER EVENTS:

November 14th, 2016
Course 604: Environmental Due Diligence & Liability
Instructor: Michael Travis
Coordinator: Glenda Smith
907-861-7864

December 8-9, 2016
Course 701: Property/Asset Management: Leasing
Instructor: Charles Parr, SR/WA
Coordinator: Danika Simpson
907-269-0687

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PRESIDENTS CORNER

How do you reply when someone asks what you do for a living? My typical response is, “The short answer is real estate; the long answer is right of way.” This is followed up with a quizzical look and an explanation of the acquisition process. I mention this because you may not know that the IRWA recently launched a modernized purpose statement: *We improve people’s quality of life through infrastructure development.* I think it sums up our chosen field in one sentence rather well and will help in future conversations...what say you?

On to Chapter 49 happenings...

Please join us for the November 16th lunch meeting as John Sturgeon will discuss his successful litigation against the National Park Service before the US Supreme Court regarding using his hovercraft for moose hunting in wilderness areas.

The first half of 2017 will be buzzing with activities! Chapter award nominations are due in early January...our Winter Party boogies February 4...March and April combined welcome three courses and the Region 7 Spring Forum...May enjoys yet another class...which leaves June...



June will be the zenith, when we host the IRWA Annual Education Conference in the Last Frontier! This massive event in Anchorage is roughly 200 days from becoming reality. Join over 1,000 global right of way professionals for four days of educational and networking activities. Visit www.irwaonline.org or www.irwaalaska.org for reservation and registration information. An effort of this magnitude commands no less than 140 exceptional volunteers to make it thrive...let’s show the world our fine Alaskan hospitality! Please contact Paula Brault for more information on volunteering (907-644-2111), irwa2017alaskaconference@gmail.com).

Please contact Tom Kretzschmar for more details on Chapter award nominations (907-644-2029), thomas.kretzschmar@hdrinc.com).

Please contact Deanna Kilburn, RWA, concerning the above courses and for future course coordinating opportunities (907-562-2000), dkilburn@dowl.com).

Until next time...all the best to you and yours!

Fred Mortimer, AICP, SR/WA

OPEN COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Please consider being a volunteer for our Chapter. We currently need to fill:

- Professional Development Chair (Must be SR/WA)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- DOT&PF Right of Way Agent II (25-0712) in Anchorage (Closes 11/10/16)
- DOT&PF Right of Way Group Chief (Right of Way Agent VI) (25-2337) in Juneau (Closes 11/14/16)

CAPTURED MOMENTS



October Luncheon Speakers Adam Heafner, First Rate Financial and Kevin Cross, Foundations Real Estate Experts-Keller Williams Realty with Chapter President, Fred Mortimer.



Vicki Gerken, Programs Chair with October Luncheon Speakers Adam Heafner and Kevin Cross

CHAPTER AND INTERNATIONAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

It's time to nominate your candidates for the following Chapter Award categories:

- ✓ Professional of the Year
- ✓ Project of the Year
- ✓ Employer of the Year

Chapter award nominations are due by **Friday, January 6, 2017** for evaluation and award at the Chapter Winter Party on Friday February 4, 2017.

If you would like to join the 2016 Chapter Awards evaluation committee, please contact Tom Kretzschmar, Chapter 49 Nominations and Elections Chair, at thomas.kretzschmar@hdrinc.com or 644-2029

It's also time to begin building your nominations for the following National and Regional Awards:

- ✓ Website of the Year
- ✓ Regional Professional of the Year
- ✓ Young Professional of the Year
- ✓ Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year
- ✓ W. Howard Armstrong Instructor of the Year
- ✓ SARPA Scholarship

International award nominations are due **February 1, 2017**.

All nomination forms are available at:

http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?webcode=irwa_awards_forms

Please email Tom your nominations or contact him for assistance.

NEW CREDENTIALING PATHS

IRWA Industry Centric Designation Paths with Qualifying Education, Work Experience & Course Requirements & IRWA Specialty Certifications – (Approved - October 4, 2014)

IRWA DESIGNATION CAREER PATH	GENERALIST PATH – SR/WA	OIL & GAS PIPELINE INDUSTRY PATH – SR/WA-OG	TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY PATH – SR/WA-TN	ELECTRIC & UTILITIES INDUSTRY PATH – SR/WA-EU	IRWA SPECIALTY CERTIFICATIONS
TOTAL QEU's 216 to 256	224 to 240 [QEU's]	216 to 232 [QEU's]	240 to 256 [QEU's]	216 to 232 [QEU's]	
SR/WA EDUCATION REQ: BA/BS or In Lieu (see program guide) WORK EXPERIENCE REQ: 5-9 Yrs. (Depending on level of education achieved) ETHICS: 8 Units CAPSTONE EXAM: YES	902 [8] or 901 [8] 802i [8] 604i [8] 603 [8] or 225 [16] or 219 [16] 421 [32]	803i [16] or 802i [8] 604i [8] 603 [8] or 225 [16] or 219 [16] 403 [8] 203 [16]	902 [8] or 502 [16] 803i [16] 700 [16] 603 [8] or 225 [16] or 219 [16] 421 [32] 203 [16]	802i [8] or 803i [16] 603 [8] or 225 [16] or 219 [16] 421 [32] 604i [8]	R/W-AC EXP. 2 YRS. QEU's 96 ETHICS & EXAM R/W-AMC EXP. 2 YRS. QEU's 80 ETHICS & EXAM
RWP EDUCATION REQ: BA/BS or In Lieu (see Program Guide) WORK EXPERIENCE REQ. 3-5 Yrs. (Depending on level of education achieved) ETHICS: 8 Units CAPSTONE EXAM: NO	900 [16] 800i [16] 700 [16] or 501 [16] or 502 [16] 600i [8] 400i [16] 218 [16] or 215 [16] or 105 [8] 205 [16] or 203 [16]	902 [8] 900 [16] 801i [16] 800i [16] 600i [8] 400i [16] 230 [8] 215 [16]	900 [16] 800i [16] 501 [16] or 801i [16] *105 [8] or 604i [8] 600i [8] 400i [16] *Mandatory for U.S.	902 [8] 900 [16] 801 [16] 800i [16] 600i [8] 400i [16] 218 [16]	R/W-NAC EXP. 2 YRS. QEU's 64 ETHICS & EXAM R/W-RAC EXP. 2 YRS. QEU's 64 ETHICS & EXAM R/W-URAC EXP. 5 YRS. QEU's 200 ETHICS & EXAM
RWA EDUCATION REQ: BA/BS or In Lieu (see Program Guide) WORK EXPERIENCE REQ. 1-3 Yrs. (Depending on level of education achieved) ETHICS: 8 Units CAPSTONE EXAM: NO	213 [8] 200/1 [16] 100i [32] 103/4 [8]	213 [8] 200/1 [16] 100i [32] 103/4 [8]	213 [8] 200/1 [16] 100i [32] 103/4 [8]	213 [8] 200/1 [16] 100i [32] 103/4 [8]	R/W-AC Cross EXP. 5 YRS. QEU's (See Guide) ETHICS & EXAM R/W-MGT EXP. 8 QEU's ETHICS & EXAM (IN DESIGN)

All current IRWA Designation and or Specialty Certification holders or applicants are grandfathered into all existing requirements until such time as they choose to apply to an Industry Path.

https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/upload/OFFICIAL_Career_Paths_document_IGC_approved_oct.pdf

SR/WA CANDIDATES

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 Nancy Cameron
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 Cody Neuendorf, RWA

RIGHT OF WAY AGENT

Norman Bailey
 Kathryn Schreckenghost
 Bettie Shelby
 Danika Simpson
 Fred Thoerner

Michelle Colby, SR/WA, R/W-NAC, R/W-RAC, R/W-URAC is Sourdough Chapter 49's latest Uniform Relocation Act Certification (URAC) achiever! Congratulations to Michelle for all her accomplishments!

Transitioning Options

Transitioning your current certification from the old program to the new Industry Certification Program:

Pathway certification levels available under the new Industry Certification Program are:

Generalist	O&G Pipeline	Transportation	Electric-Utilities
RWA	RWA	RWA	RWA
RWP-GN	RWP-OG	RWP-TN	RWP-EU
SR/WA-GN	SR/WA-OG	SR/WA-TN	SR/WA-EU

- Anyone who held an RWA certification prior to January 14, 2016 is automatically an RWA under the new Industry Certification Program in any of the -GN, -OG, -TN & EU pathways.
- Anyone who held an RWP certification prior to January 14, 2016 is automatically an RWP-GN under the new Industry Certification Program.
- Anyone who held an SR/WA certification prior to January 14, 2016 is automatically an SR/WA-GN under the new Industry Certification Program.
- Anyone who held an RWA, RWP or SR/WA certification prior to January 14, 2016 is automatically granted credit for RWA level coursework under all of the pathways (-GN, -OG, -TN & -EU) within the new Industry Certification Program.

Transitioning options for those partially through the old program (the pre-2016 RWA, RWP or SR/WA program):

- You will have until December 31, 2016 to earn 64 or more credits hours of IRWA course work to qualify for SR/WA candidacy
- and -
You will have until December 31, 2016 to apply for SR/WA candidacy.
- Approved candidates must complete the requirements within the 5 year candidacy time frame. Candidates who complete this certification under the pre-2016 program will be granted SR/WA-GN certification.



June 11 - 14

REGISTRATION Is Open On-Line at: irwaonline.org

Conference Location:
 Anchorage Dena'ina Center
 600 W. Seventh Avenue
 Anchorage, AK 99501

Registration Rates (all rates are listed in US\$)

	By March 10	March 11 - April 28	After April 28
Member - Full Registration	\$525	\$625	\$700
Non-Member - Full Registration	\$625	\$725	\$800
Daily Registration (per day)	\$225	\$250	\$275
Companion	\$250	\$250	\$300

Full Registration Package includes:

- Educational breakout sessions (Monday – Wednesday)
- Opening Ceremony/General Session (Sunday)
- Networking Welcome Reception (Sunday)
- Awards Luncheon (Monday)
- SR/WA Recognition Breakfast (Tuesday)
- Installation Reception/Banquet/Dance (Wednesday)
- Meeting Breaks (Monday – Wednesday)
- Continental Breakfasts (Monday & Wednesday)
- IRWA Expo (Sunday & Monday)

Companion Registration Package includes:

- Opening Ceremony/General Session (Sunday)
- Networking Welcome Reception (Sunday)
- Awards Luncheon (Monday)
- SR/WA Recognition Breakfast (Tuesday)
- Installation Reception/Banquet/Dance (Wednesday)
- Continental Breakfasts (Monday & Wednesday)
- IRWA Expo (Sunday & Monday)

Daily Registration Package includes:

- Educational Breakout Sessions
- Continental breakfasts and meeting breaks
- IRWA Expo
- Sunday daily registration includes Opening Ceremony/General Session and Networking Welcome Reception
- Monday registration includes the Awards Luncheon (Note: A One day conference registration for Monday does NOT include the Monday Night Event).
- Tuesday registration includes the SR/WA Recognition Breakfast (Note: A One day conference registration for Tuesday does NOT

EXCLUSIVE HOST SITE SPONSOR

Welcome to the International Right of Way Association's 63rd Annual International Education Conference held in Anchorage. We invite you to attend this valuable industry event and take advantage of the many educational and learning opportunities, as well as the networking events that have been planned just for you. Please feel free to contact us if you have any specific questions regarding the annual conference, and check our website often for updates regarding our plans as we continue mapping out your educational event of the year!

Sincerely,
 Your 2017 Conference Planning Committee

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June 11 - 14

GET INVOLVED

Next Planning Meeting 5 pm, December 15th, 2016

Anchorage Location: Dryden & LaRue, Inc Conference Room, 3305 Arctic Blvd. Suite 101
Fairbanks Location: HDR Conference Room, 714 4th Ave., Suite 302

Call in Number : 1-866-583-7984
Code: 822-6712

CONFERENCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteer Positions Needed (not all inclusive):

Set-Up	Lobby Greeters
Bag Stuffing	Flag Bearers
Clean-Up	Opening Ceremony
Shirt Sorting	Exhibit Hall Guards
Registration Desk	Finnegan Fun Run
Set-up	Board of Directors Meeting
Hand-out Speaker Gifts	
Hand-out Ribbons (must be monitored)	
Banquet Ticket Exchange	

To get on the volunteer sign-up sheet and request your preference, please email Paula Brault at IRWA2017AlaskaConference@gmail.com



Deanna Kilburn, RWA – Education Chair
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Registration is now open for:

Course 604: Environmental Due Diligence & Liability November 14th, 2016
 Instructor: Michael Travis Coordinator: Glenda Smith - 907-861-7864

Course 701: Property/Asset Management: Leasing December 8-9, 2016
 Instructor: Charles Parr, SR/WA Coordinator: Danika Simpson - 907-269-0687

EDUCATION SCHEDULE AS OF NOVEMBER 7TH, 2016

All IRWA courses offered through Ch. 49 qualify for a 10% group discount for 2 or more registrants from the same organization*

*To qualify, all registrations must be processed together and sent by fax or email to IRWA Headquarters, or by email to the Course Coordinator.

- To avoid cancellation or rescheduling of courses, there must be a minimum of 10 registrants 3 weeks prior to the scheduled course.
- A late fee of \$25.00 will be charged for registrations received less than 3 weeks prior to the scheduled course.

2016 EDUCATION SCHEDULE

November 14	C-604 Environmental Due Diligence and Liability Instructor: Michael Travis	Glenda Smith 907-861-7864
December 8-9	C-701 Property/Asset Management: Leasing Instructor: Charles Parr, SR/WA \$25 LATE FEE ON/AFTER NOVEMBER 17!	Danika Simpson 907-269-0687

2017 EDUCATION SCHEDULE

February 23-24	New Date! C-215 Right of Way Pipeline Projects Instructor: David Sinclair, SR/WA	Tom Kretzschmar 907-644-2029
March 2-3	C-900 Principles of Real Estate Engineering Instructor: Steve Schmitt, PLS, SR/WA	Andrew Frasier 907-748-7929
March 20	C-802 Legal Aspects of Easements Instructor: Dan Beardsley, SR/WA	Glenda Smith 907-861-7864
April 19-20	C-400 Principles of Real Estate Appraisal Instructor: David Burgoyne, ASA, SR/WA	Danika Simpson 907-269-0687
April 19-21	Region 7 Spring Forum – Anchorage	
May 15-18	C-100 Principles of Land Acquisition Instructor: John Bennett, SR/WA	Veronica Bojko 907-562-2000
June 11-14	2017 International Education Conference – Anchorage – Need Volunteers!!	Contact Paula Brault 644-2111
September 27-29	SR/WA Review/Exam Dan Beardsley, SR/WA	Paula Brault 907-644-2111
TBD 2018	C-801 Land Titles Instructor TBD	Diane Sam 907-334-0878

COMING SOON! 2018 & 2019 COURSE SCHEDULING POLL



Chapter 49 and Chapter 71:
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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 to review the descriptions of the more than 50 courses currently available and our credentialing program.

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