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International Right of Way Association

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International Right of Way Association

Mission Statement

The mission of the International Right of Way Association is to unite the efforts of its members toward individual development, improved service to employers and to the public and improvement in the body of knowledge related to the professional tasks of its members. To achieve these goals, the Association provides a Code of Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct, a forum for the exchange and advancement of ideas, education courses and seminars, and a program of professional development.

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Member Meeting!

Guest Speaker:

**Eric Anderson, Transportation Director
Maricopa Association of Governments**

June 9th, 2009 at 11.00am!!!

(See page 7 for further details!!!)

RSVP: www.irwachapter28.org

Presidents



Message

It appears that Summer will not pass us by this year ... then again, I can't recall that it ever has. 😊
I guess I should just accept it and prepare for the hotter temperatures of the next few months.

Speaking of preparation...Chapter 28 is preparing for our Annual Educational Seminar in September. President-Elect Karen Williams, SR/WA, has been working diligently to make this a terrific event, with a variety of interesting speakers at an easy-to-get-to location. Karen's efforts, with the assistance of several hard-working volunteers, have enabled Chapter 28 to offer the Seminar for the smallest cost possible - \$100!

Education Chair Kaye Bockmann has arranged for the offering of Course 104: Standards of Practice for the Right of Way Professional and Course 803: Eminent Domain Law Basics for Right-of-Way Professionals in conjunction with our Seminar, and the SR/WA Review Study Session in October. It is Kaye's intention to offer these, and other future courses, at the lowest possible cost. The Fall offerings are aimed to assist us all to prepare for the work we may be involved in, perhaps different from what we have done in the past, which will be a direct result of or influenced by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Some of us are preparing to make the trip to Indianapolis for the Annual International Education Conference, complete with the possibility of meeting with Kevin Winner, Region 9 Chair, to discuss the feasibility of future joint regional meetings with Region 1. If you are able to attend the Conference, don't deprive yourself of the experience!

Chapter 28 is also preparing to see YOU at the next Member Meeting, Tuesday June 9, beginning at 11:00 AM at El Paso Grill and Bar-B-Que, 4303 W Peoria Avenue, Glendale Arizona.

In case you escaped my email, in addition to a great guest speaker - Eric Anderson, MAG Transportation Director, discussing the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act - and a mouth-watering meal, we will have a **special raffle** (\$2.00 a ticket) for a chance to win one of two baseball packages for the July 7 faceoff between the Arizona Diamondbacks and San Diego Padres. Each package includes two (2) seats in the Clubhouse Box section (Section L, Row I) and a Reserved Parking Space. Clubhouse Box seats include entry into the Strike Zone Lounge beneath home plate, or you can remain in your seats and have the waiters/waitresses bring food and/or beverages from the Strike Zone Lounge to you.

All money collected for the raffle tickets will be donated to Rupert's Kids at the Annual Education Conference in Indianapolis.

Instead of the traditional book drive for children, this year's host of the International Education Conference opted to collect monetary contributions for Rupert's Kids, a non-profit organization that supports youth in the Indianapolis area. Rupert Boneham was a contestant on CBS's "Survivor" on two occasions in 2004 (*Survivor: Pearl Islands* and *Survivor: All-Stars*).

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Although he didn't win either time, he was a fan favorite among survivor viewers and he won one million dollars on *Survivor: America's Tribal Council* which was a special episode of *Survivor: All-Stars*; the prize was awarded after a nationwide popular vote in which Boneham received 85% of the votes cast. Mr. Boneham, long a mentor for troubled teens, is a native of Indianapolis and used his winnings to start this organization (<http://www.rupertskids.org>), which is based in Indianapolis.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Sincerely,
Kathie A. Sholly, SR/WA
2009 Chapter 28 President (President@irwachapter28.org)



Welcome New Members

Stan Dickey, SRP

Tom Roberts



Chapter 28 ~ 51st Annual Education Seminar

Date

September 18, 2009

**(C104 & C803 will be offered 9/16 and 9/17—
see page 6 for class descriptions)**

Location

**Desert Willow Conference Center
4340 E Cotton Center Blvd, Phoenix**

Theme

“Restructuring Infrastructure”

More information will be posted to the chapter website and in next months newsletter.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call our President Elect, Karen Williams at 602-542-8857 or email at PresidentElect@IRWChapter28.org.

“IT’S GOING TO BE A GREAT EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR”

IS YOUR IRWA INFORMATION UP TO DATE?

PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO REVIEW YOUR DETAILS AND UPDATE IF NECESSARY AT
WWW.IRWACHAPTER28.ORG

Land Surveyors' Influence on American History

By: Christopher Michael. Submitted by Todd Rakstad, SRP; as seen in *Empire State Surveyor*, Nov-Dec, 07.

Recently *Atlantic Monthly* released its annual list of the *100 Most Influential Figures in American History* and six of the people on the list were famous land surveyors. Can you name them? First, the obvious, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington and Thomas Jefferson come in at 1, 2, and 3 respectively. Henry David Thoreau is #65 and Meriwether Lewis and William Clark share #70. All of these influential Americans were land surveyors at one point in their life and most for their entire lives.

Abraham Lincoln saved the Union and was an excellent leader during the most trying time our country has ever seen. There is no doubt that his years plunged into books on surveying and mathematics and studying all day, and sometimes all night helped him to become the great leader and thinker that he was. Lincoln laid out roads and towns in the mid-west as the new nation expanded westward. For sure the patience he learned surveying prepared him for his political life.

George Washington could never tell a lie and perhaps this is why he was such a great surveyor and founding father. At the age of 17 he was appointed as Virginia's Surveyor General by the College of William and Mary. The college had been charged with the examination and licensing of surveyors. Washington's frontier surveying experience served him well in the mobilization of the British army defending the northwestern boundary of Virginia in 1754, as few men had as thorough knowledge of northwestern Virginia. Between 1747 and 1799 Washington surveyed over two hundred tracts of land and held title to more than sixty five thousand acres in thirty-seven different locations. Deeply concerned about the lack of accurate maps available to his army during the Revolutionary War, Washington created the office of Geographer to the Continental Army. George Washington was not only a remarkable man, but also a very fine surveyor.

Another famous Surveyor General for Virginia, Thomas Jefferson was also appointed as County Surveyor for Albemarle County, Virginia on October 14, 1773. During his tenure as Secretary of State (under President Washington) and as President, Jefferson's instructions and appointments of surveyors to official posts gave the young nation the foresight and direction necessary to promote the orderly settlement of the frontier.

Henry David Thoreau was born in Concord, Massachusetts, on July 12, 1817 and spent much of his youth outdoors, enjoying nature and honing his natural ability of observation. While living at Walden Pond he built a small, comfortable one-room house where he could live simply and near to nature, and devote his time to studying, gardening, and writing. While there, he made the first accurate map of Walden Pond and rekindled his interest in surveying. Although he lived a solitary existence, he regularly entertained guests and began to work in and around Concord as a surveyor. He also described surveying as, "a noble employment which brings you within hearing of [the birds]". Perhaps two of the most famous surveying in American history did something few surveyors ever have done; they mapped and recorded a new land never before described or monumental.

America's size was doubled when Jefferson purchased the Louisiana Purchase from Napoleon, yet he did not know exactly what he had bought. The "Corps of Discovery" led by Lewis and Clark shoved off on May 14, 1804 from Wood River, Illinois to map and record the new land, after taking a reading of 38 deg. 55 min. 19.6 sec. North latitude. The 45-person party traveled primarily by keelboat and canoe and made about 10 to 20 miles per day.

On July 31, 1804 they took a meridian altitude and calculated the latitude of their position to be 41 de. 18 min. 1.5 sec. North. Latitude was much easier for them to measure than Longitude as they had no accurate timepiece for determining Longitude. However, they were able to estimate the distance traveled each day with considerable accuracy, and, combined with compass and latitude, they were able to record quite good positional information. These early surveyors forged the trail to the west for millions of settlers that soon followed. Being a surveyor will most likely not land you on the 100 most influential figures in American history list. But this noble profession has been the springboard for many great Americans. Perhaps that is why Ellen Henrietta Swallow Richard said, while attending Vassar College where she took a course in land surveying. "I prefer surveying for a week to spending a week in fashionable society even of the best class."

Register Today!!



IRWA's 55th **Annual International Education Conference**

Indianapolis, Indiana

June 28 - July 1


Each year, IRWA's Annual International Education Conference provides right of way professionals with unparalleled learning and networking opportunities.

With typically more than 1,000 registrants, attendees have the opportunity to learn about best practices, share project challenges and hear solutions from the industry's leading professionals.

Earn Recertification Credit

Did you know that IRWA members can get up to 24 hours of SR/WA Designation and Certification Program recertification credit for attendance at the Annual International Education Conference?

www.irwaonline.org



2009

Education Schedule, Chapter 28

July

(Location: FCDMC)

C800 Principles of Real Estate Law 07-15 to 07-16-09

C802 Legal Aspects of Easements 07-17-09

September Seminar

“Restructuring Infrastructure”

(Check website for further details)

C-104 Standards of Practice for the Right of Way Professional

C-803 Eminent Domain Law Basics for Right of Way Professionals

October

Facilitator and Location TBD

!!!SR/WA Review Study Session!!!



International Education Schedule for June- check website for more!!!

103 - Ethics and the Right of Way Profession

103 Ethics and the Right of Way Profession 06.05.09 Austin, TX

103 Ethics and the Right of Way Profession 06.25.09 Indianapolis, IN

104 - Standards of Practice for the Right of Way Professional

104 Standards of Practice for the R/W Professional 09.14.09 Oklahoma City, OK

104 Standards of Practice for the Right of Way Professional TENTATIVE 05.14.10 St. Louis, MO







105 - The Uniform Act Executive Summary

105 The Uniform Act - Executive Summary TENTATIVE 11.11.09 Bellevue, WA

EDUCATION



June, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Schedule of Events
	1	2	3 	4	5	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seminar meeting at 11.30am and then Board Meeting at SRP or ASL @ 4.30pm!! • Member meeting and lunch at 11.00am. See below for details!!! • Flag Day!!! Fly your flag proud!!! • Happy Father's Day!!! • Newsletter Articles Due! <p>* Submit an interest article for next months issue!!!!</p> 
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Members Meeting and Lunch!!! June 9th, 2009 at 11.00am!!!

June speaker, Eric Anderson will make a presentation on the stimulus package. "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act - A Lesson in Managing Expectations".

Eric Anderson is Transportation Director for the Maricopa Association of Governments. Mr. Anderson is a well-know local economist who has extensive national, regional and local experience and has served as an economic advisor for many states and regions. His areas of expertise include urban economics and demographics, economic development strategies, transportation, real estate economics, and fiscal impact assessment. Mr. Anderson directed the development of the MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for the region that was the foundation for successful Proposition 400 to extend the regional sales tax.

Mr. Anderson formerly was the Chief Executive Officer of Mountain West Research, a nationally known economic and real estate consulting firm based in Phoenix. Mr. Anderson also served as the Executive Director of the Maricopa County Stadium District. Mr. Anderson holds a M.S. in Economics from Arizona State University.

El Paso BBQ
4303 W. Peoria Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85302
Cost: \$20.00 RSVP by 6/5/09!!!
RSVP: www.irwachapter28.org



Credentialing Program

We are proud to announce that a totally new Credentialing Program Guides and Applications are now available for downloading and printing.

Each program now has a separate comprehensive guide which explains the policies and outlines the procedures for the SRWA Designation and for each Certification Program.

The Guides are comprehensive and include all necessary forms and applications. We are in the process of separating the individual forms and applications packets which will be available by the end of this month.

Please note that old forms and applications may only be used up until July 1, 2009.

SRWA Program Guide and Application Packet:

<http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/credentialing/SRWA1.pdf>

R/W Appraisal Certification Guide and Application Packet:

http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/bundles/rwac_bundle.pdf

R/W Asset Management Certification Guide and Application Packet:

http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/bundles/rwamc_bundle.pdf

R/W Environment Certification Guide and Application Packet:

http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/bundles/rwec_bundle.pdf

R/W Negotiation and Acquisition Certification Guide and Application Packet:

http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/bundles/rwnac_bundle.pdf

R/W Relocation Assistance Certification Guide and Application Packet:

http://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/upload/bundles/rwrac_bundle.pdf

Don't miss IRWA's Credentialing Session **"Working through the Forms"** held at IRWA's 55th Annual International Education Conference on Tuesday, June 30th from June 30, 2009 in Indiana!!!

Take me out to the ball park... IRWA CHAPTER 28!

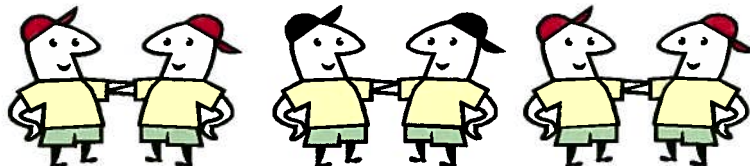


It's summer and it's baseball season! This is your chance to attend a baseball game as a group with your friends in the Chapter. The game is between the **Arizona Diamondbacks** and the **Pittsburgh Pirates** at Chase Field on **Friday night, July 24th**. Our Chapter will be listed as a group on the Jumbo Tron, too!!!

You will get the Season Ticket holder discount for the "All You Can Eat" Section 221 (Left Field near the bullpen) for \$27.50 per person. In addition, if you arrive early, the 1st 25,000 fans will get a **FREE** DBacks sunshade for their car! And to add even more to the excitement, it's a fireworks night! After the game, win or lose, the DBacks will put on a spectacular **FIREWORKS** show. And don't forget to bring your glove – that's a great section for catching foul balls!

Fine print: *This is a limited offer.* We have purchased 52 seats together in this section so the offer is first-come, first-served. Don't delay - the best seats will go fast. Please RSVP to Kaye Bockmann at Kaye.Bockmann@srpnet.com, 602-236-3129.

Take the Light Rail and save on parking!! Mark Your Calendar!
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Job Board



Senior Right-of-Way Agent/Environmental Analyst

Location: San Diego County, La Mesa, CA

The Helix Water District has a position in which the incumbent has a significant role in a variety of professional and technical activities associated with the acquisition, management and disposition of right-of-way and fee property for waterworks facilities; and coordinates and participates in activities to ensure District compliance with applicable environmental regulations. This position requires six years of increasingly responsible real estate and/or right-of-way acquisition experience, including one year as a SRWA or equivalent.

Certification as a Senior Right-of-Way Agent (SRWA).

Salary: \$5,455 - \$6,963/ month (DOQ) with an excellent benefit package.

Please visit www.hwd.com for more information and application.

Closing Date: Open Until Filled

Anne Shogan; (619) 667-6263;

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Senior Leader

URS are currently searching for a Senior Leader in their Transmission Power business unit in **Denver, CO**.

The ideal candidate is someone with a Seller/Doer background or mentality with a minimum of 10 years experience in permitting/sitting/right of way or engineering project management for electric power transmission and distribution projects.

This position will manage multiple projects; manage proposals for power-related T&D efforts and direct project staff in this area of delivery. This individual has the potential to lead Power and Transmission delivery on either a regional or national level depending on the expertise they bring to the table.

If you know of somebody who may have interest in this opportunity please contact

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