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**MARCH ELECTION - MEMBERSHIP/LUNCHEON**

**Please come and vote for your 2011 TO 2012 Board Members**

**WHEN:** March 8, 2011  
**TIME:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM  
**WHERE:** Hometown Buffet  
1312 N. Scottsdale Road  
**PHONE:** 480-946-7544  
**COST:** \$5.00  
**MENU:** American Buffet, All You Can Eat - Over 100 choices, including favorites like grilled carved steak, seafood salad, fried or baked chicken, fried or baked fish, mashed potatoes, fresh veggies, and more. Plus Soup / Salad Bar, Beverage Station (hot & cold drinks), and Dessert Central (cobbler, cake, cookies, pie, ice cream).

**SPEAKER:** Layne A. Patton, ROW Program Manager, Arizona/New Mexico Divisions, Federal Highway Administration

**TOPIC:** "FHWA Program and the new Every Day Counts Initiative"

**BIO:** A native of Texas, Layne brings to the FHWA Arizona Division 30 years of experience in the real estate field. Completing studies in Electronics from Texas A&M University in 1976, Layne worked in the electronics field until 1978 when he became involved in the real estate industry. Over the next 30+ years he has owned his own full service real estate office, was a real estate appraiser for 22 years and state certified appraiser from 1992-2002, appraising parcels for highway acquisition & testifying for condemnation proceedings. Worked for Texas DOT as a right-of-way agent for 5 ½ years. Layne joined the FHWA in 2000, serving in Florida, California and in 2004 was promoted to the position of the Arizona Division Realty Officer. Layne has been serving as the FHWA ROW Program Manager for the New Mexico and Arizona Division Offices since 2008.

**Current Duties:**

- Right of Way Program Manager for New Mexico and Arizona Divisions
- FHWA Division Utility Coordinator for New Mexico and Arizona
- Transportation Enhancement Program Manager Arizona
- Recreational Trails Program Manager Arizona
- Scenic Byways Program Manager Arizona
- Federal Representative to ADOT Partnering Advisory Committee

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# A Word From Our President ...

**Karen L. Williams, SR/WA**

March is a busy month for the Chapter. The Region 1 Spring Forum will be held this Saturday, March 5, as well as other planned activities on the 4<sup>th</sup>. I hope to see many of you attending! I know that I am looking forward to seeing some old friends and meeting new friends from around the Region.

Rustlers Rooste, Friday night, will be a great time to say hello and welcome our out of town guests. We are fortunate to have sponsors such as Universal Field Services, Inc., Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc., Coates Field Services, Inc., and Empire West Title Agency to help make this evening a success.

Then, Elections will take place at our Member meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Our candidates have been working hard to win your vote. And, with the chapter offering lunch for only \$5 we are hoping for a great turnout. You can't afford to miss it!

Officer Installations will take place at the **May 10** Member meeting. This is a change from our previous schedule of June. So, once elected, you have plenty of time to prepare for the 2011/2012 year.

Starting March 2012, these elections will be held during our Annual Education Seminar as they used to be. The change of the seminar from the Fall to the Spring may take some getting used to, but, it is necessary to accommodate the change in service year for the Officers.

Other upcoming dates that you will want to remember are the International Conference on June 12 – June 15. The location this year is Atlanta, Georgia.

Mark your calendars for these important meetings! See you on March 8!

# Meet the Candidates

## 2011 Chapter 28 Executive Board

### **Treasurer**

### **Ken Anderssohn**

I was born in Tampa on October 6, 1958 and moved to Phoenix in 1963. I have 3 brothers and we all attended Royal Palm elementary school and Sunnyslope High School in north central Phoenix. After High School graduation in 1976, I chose to attend a small college named Pacific University in Forest Grove (Oregon) on an academic scholarship. I graduated from Pacific with a Bachelors in Political Science in 1980. In the fall of 1980, I briefly moved back to Phoenix before accepting a Walcott Foundation fellowship to attend graduate school at George Washington University in Washington DC. I interned at the Department of Education and completed my education at GWU with a Masters in Public Administration (MPA) in 1983.

I have worked at the League of Arizona Cities and Towns as a lobbyist, in hotel management (the Pointe Hilton) for 12 years and for 11 years as a real estate salesperson. In January 2006 I took a job with Maricopa County Planning & Development conducting plan review and issuing building permits. It was November 2007 when I transferred to my current position with the Public Works Real Estate Division working in the Property Management Branch.

I met my wife Mary while working at the Pointe in the late 1980's and we were married in 1992. We have 2 children; our daughter Lakin is 21 and our son Broderek who is 19. I like to read, play golf and watch live sports. I have been an IRWA member since 2008 and my SR/WA Declaration of Candidacy was accepted on August 31, 2010. I really enjoy the right-of-way industry and the challenge of handling the constantly evolving issues that come up in my every day duties. I will faithfully and honestly serve the IRWA Chapter 28 members as Treasurer if elected.

## **Treasurer Vance Tuttle, Jr.**

I began working in the R/W industry in 1973, when the appraisal company I worked for was purchased by Universal Field Services, Inc. In the 37 years since, I have worked as an appraiser, review appraiser, acquisition agent, relocation agent, project manager and I am currently Universal's Regional Manager over operations in Arizona and Nevada. In addition to my IR/WA membership, I have maintained memberships in other professional organizations. Some of these are the American Society of Appraisers, the Appraisal Institute, American Public Works Association and Association of State Highway Engineers. I was elected to the board and served in a variety of capacities for these organizations, among which included Treasurer.

I have been an active member of the IRWA for almost 30 years. In that time, I have been a member of three Chapters (33, 31 and 28). I have worked in numerous capacities for these Chapters from serving on committees to serving as Committee Chairs and Chapter Officer as well.

Since moving to the Phoenix area in 2004 and transferring my membership to Chapter 28, I have served as Chair of the Local Public Agency Committee and Valuation Committee; in addition I currently serve the Chapter as Chair of the Environmental Committee and serve on the Audit Committee and is an at-large (non-voting member) of the International Environmental Committee.

I regularly attended Chapter Board Meetings in 2010 and 2011. In December 2010, when the sitting Secretary Vicki Chamberlin had to resign for health reasons, I volunteered, was appointed and have been serving as interim Chapter Secretary and will finish out the current term in that capacity (ends June, 2011).

I would consider it an honor to be your Treasurer of Chapter 28 for 2011-2012. I feel I have a lot to offer the Chapter in this capacity. I am currently serving the Chapter as interim Secretary and several Committees as well. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue serving the Chapter. I feel that this recent Chapter service, some of my varied experiences during my work in the R/W industry and other professional organizations would allow me to step into this position having a very short learning curve. As Treasurer, I will try to provide new ideas and ways of doing things to our Board, but at the same time, will always keep in mind it is the you, the members of Chapter 28, that are in charge.

# **Kaye Bockmann**

## **PDC Member 3-Year**

Fellow Chapter Members,

I would like for you to accept my formal declaration as a candidate and am asking for your vote as a Member of the 2011/2012 Professional Development Committee with Chapter 28, a 3-year commitment to serve our Chapter.

From 2006 to present, I have been the Chapter 28 Education Chair. As the Education Chair, I have been fortunate to attend Region Forums as well as an International Forum where I was able to share our Chapter's experiences and learn from other Chapter's ideas regarding Education. I have also been a Member of the Annual Education Seminars Committee as well as the coordination assistant to Member Night Out events such as the Diamondbacks Baseball game.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my position as the Education Chair and the opportunities it has afforded me both as the educational representative to this awesome Chapter but also opportunity to meet so many wonderful Members within this Chapter as well as individuals within our industry. However, it is now time to broaden my experience/knowledge and also to share what I have learned over these past 5 years as Education Chair with the Professional Development Committee. I became a Certified Course Coordinator in 2008 and received my SR/WA in 2009. I understand the hard work and dedication it takes to acquire these special designations and certifications available through the IRWA. I want to be there to help you. As the PDC member, I will continue to work with each one of you and lead you to be the successful person you strive to be.

I look forward to the upcoming years in continuing to lead this Chapter and our Members through a successful journey.

# Secretary Chris Banks

I am Chris Banks, SR/WA, and I am asking for your vote for 2011/2012 Secretary of Chapter 28.

## **Qualifications:**

I am pleased to have been an active part of the IR/WA since 1990. I earned my SR/WA designation in 1998 and have been active in both Chapter and Regional levels.

My IR/WA experience includes:

1991 - 1992 Membership Committee

SR/WA Designation Achieved 1998, recertified in 2003 and 2008

Fall Education Seminar Committee, 1998 - 2011

Professional Development Committee, 1999 - 2000

Chair, Professional Development Committee, 2001

Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee, 2006-2011

Chapter Secretary, 2001-2002

Chapter Treasurer, 2002-2003

Chapter President-Elect, 2003-2004

Chapter President/2-Year International Director, 2004-2005

Chapter 1-Year International Director, 2005-2006

Region 1 Vice-Chair, 2006 – 2009

Region 1 Chair, 2009- 2011

I have represented our Chapter and/or Region 1 at 16 Region Forums and 9 International Conferences since 2000.

## **My philosophy:**

I believe that Chapter 28's leadership must continue to be responsive to the needs of the members, while remaining strong and fiscally responsible. By championing the rights of the individual member and standing united beside our sister Chapters in the Region, our Chapter has earned the respect of members and other Regions throughout the IR/WA.

## **My goal:**

I am anxious to get back to working with the members at the Chapter level. If elected I consider it to be a privilege and an honor. I promise that I would not only remember the old values and lessons learned, but will also pursue new ways for the chapter to grow and improve. I will help lead the Chapter in an ethical and proactive manner. I will promote the value of the IR/WA membership to members and to their employees and/or employers. Most importantly, I will continue to champion the rights of the individual member and as a member of the Board will consider the members' needs as my top priority. I would appreciate your vote.

# Todd Rakstad

## Secretary

Todd is the manager of Land Surveys with Salt River Project. In this role, Todd manages all aspects of Land Surveying within SRP's Land Department. Todd started surveying in 1979 in Northern California as an apprentice surveyor. Moving to Arizona in 1996, Todd joined SRP in 2000 and became involved in their right of way activities. Todd is a Professional Land Surveyor and holds registration in the states of Arizona, Utah, Colorado and South Dakota. In 2009, Todd received an appointment to the Arizona Board of Technical Registration Enforcement Advisory Committee.

Todd joined IRWA in 2005 and serves as the Chapter 28 Survey and Engineering Committee Chair. Todd is an at-large member of the International Survey and Engineering Committee and is their representative on the IRWA Experience Task Force. In addition to being a member of IRWA, Todd is a member of APLS (Arizona Professional Land Surveyors). He serves as the Membership Committee Chair on the APLS State Board and is the APLS Central Chapter Chair of the Bylaws Committee. He is a member of the ALTA (American Land Title Association) Standards Committee for NSPS (National Society of Professional Surveyors) and a member of ULI (Urban Land Institute).





## Mail-In Ballots

Good Afternoon, Chapter Members,

If you need to vote by Mail-In Ballot, you must request one ASAP. Please send a **Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope** to me at this address:

Chris Banks  
2143 West Whitton Ave.  
Phoenix, AZ 85015-5751

I will put one in the mail to you that same day. Or you can come by my office at SRP or attend the Region's Spring Forum, and I will personally give you one. If you mail them, they must be returned to me no later than March 7, 2011. Or, if you prefer, you can hand-deliver it to me by 9AM the day of the luncheon. For control purposes, only one ballot will be issued to you and will not be replaced if lost. To be counted, the mail-in ballots must be signed by the member.

*Chris Banks, SRWA  
Awards & Elections Chair*

## Write-In Candidates

Please remember to write down this list of candidates for future reference. The write-in candidates' names will not appear on the actual ballots and will have to be filled in. The candidates as of today are:

**International Director 1-Year:** Karen Williams, SR/WA (incumbent - automatic progression)

**President/International Director 2-Year:** Mary A.M. Smith (incumbent)

**President-Elect:** Jason Foster (incumbent)

**Treasurer:** Vance Tuttle, ASA (incumbent due to resignation of elected Treasurer)

**Treasurer:** Ken Anderssohn

**Secretary:** Chris Banks, SR/WA

**Write-in candidate for Secretary:** Todd Rakstad, RLS

**Write-in candidate for PDC 3-Year:** Kaye Bockmann, SR/WA

These candidates are actively seeking your support and will be available at the luncheon for you to meet them prior to casting your votes. Remember, the elections will be held on Tuesday March 8, 2011 at the Members' Luncheon meeting to be held at the Hometown Buffet at 1312 N. Scottsdale Road. The cost is only \$5. See you there!

*Chris Banks, SRWA,  
Nominations & Elections Chair*



# Spring Forum 2011

March 5, 2011 - 8:00 AM to  
5:00 PM

Hosted by IRWA Region 1 & Kachina

## Chapter 28

**Business Meeting / Luncheon**  
**\$20.00, payable at door**

**Clarion Hotel, Phoenix Tech Center**  
**5121 E. La Puente Ave, Phoenix, AZ**  
**85044**

*(I-10 & Elliott - NW Side)*

[View MAP](#) -OR- [View Location Website](#)

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## PRE-Forum Activities

March 4, 2011

ACTIVITY #1 - Spring Training Game, Friday, 1:05 PM. Anaheim Angels vs. Chicago White Sox - Field Box tickets at \$23.00 each. RSVP by 2/18/11.

ACTIVITY #2 - Happy Hour, Friday, approx 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Join Us for Happy Hour at the famous Rustler's Rooste. Take in some gorgeous night views of the Valley from this hilltop restaurant, while socializing with fellow Region 1 members and enjoying hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages provided by our generous sponsors. Stick around for dinner and dancing if you choose (at your own cost).

ACTIVITY #3 - Lunch at the Heart Attack Grill, Friday, approx 11:30 AM. Have lunch at this much talked about location. \*Note that it may not be possible to lunch here and attend the Spring Training Game. Details being worked out.

## IRWA EDUCATION CALENDAR

### 2011 COURSE SCHEDULE

*(All courses subject to change.)*

March - Property/Asset Management Month

703 : Real Property/Asset Management - Amos & Sholly - 3/28

701 : Property/Asset Management: Leasing - Amos & Sholly - 3/29 & 3/30

May - Real Estate Law Month

800 : Principles of Real Estate Law - Guzman - 5/(tba)

801 : United States Land Titles - 5/(tba)

July - Engineering Month

900 : Principles of Real Estate Engineering - 7/(tba)

901 : Engineering Plan Development & Application - 7/(tba)

September - Education Seminar Month

600 : Environmental Awareness - 9/(tba)

802 : Legal Aspects of Easements - 9/(tba)

November - Communications Month

200 : Principles of Real Estate Negotiations - 11/(tba)

205 : Bargaining Negotiations - 11/(tba)

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# 2011/2012 Meeting Schedule

2011	Board Mtg	Member Mtg	
March	2	8	Speaker and Officer Elections
April	6		
May	4	10	Officer Installation
June	1		
July	6	12	Int'l Conference Report
August	3		
September	7	13	Speaker
October	5		
November	2	8	Speaker
December	7	13	Speaker and/or Holiday
<b>2012</b>			
January	4		
February	1	14	Speaker and Officer Nomination
March	7	Date TBD	Seminar and Officer Elections
April	4		
May	2	8	Officer Installation and Awards
June	6		

The three course certificate winners for the February meeting were:

Bob Patoni  
 Sharon Dyke  
 Karen Williams

**Here's your chance to get the IRWA classes you need  
AND get out of the cold at the same time.**

**MARCH IS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT MONTH IN PHOENIX ARIZONA.**



**COURSE: C-703 -- Real Property/ Asset Management  
Date: March 28, 2011**

**COURSE: C-701 -- Real Property / Asset Management: Leasing  
Date: March 29-30, 2011**

**Location: Tempe arizona**

**Facilitators: Kathie Sholly, SR/WA, R/W-AMC  
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**WHAT IS THE BENEFIT TO THE MEMBERS FOR TAKING TWO COURSES  
AT THE SAME TIME?**

- **PROVIDING SEVERAL CLASSES IN ONE EVENT WILL HELP YOU OBTAIN THE CREDITS YOU NEED IN ONE VISIT AND HELP YOU OR YOUR EMPLOYER SAVE MONEY.**
- **A VACATION AND EDUCATION ALL IN ONE TRIP – DON'T MISS OUT!**

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