



**REGION 3 FALL FORUM**  
**October 19 & 20, 2006**  
**Hosted by Chapter 5**

**Accommodations**  
**Quarterage Hotel located in the historic Westport District**  
**560 Westport Road, Kansas City, MO 64111**  
**816.931.0001 or 800.942.4233**  
**[www.quarterage.com](http://www.quarterage.com)**  
**Rate: \$89.00 plus tax**

***A block of rooms have been set aside for the Fall Forum. Please be sure to mention IRWA when placing your reservation.***

**IRWA COURSE 901-Engineering Plan and Development**  
October 19, 2006, 8:00 am-5:00 pm  
Location: Quarterage Hotel  
Contact Bill Wright at 816.513.0507 or [William.Wright@kcmo.org](mailto:William.Wright@kcmo.org)

***Thursday Night Social – BBQ & Drinks!***  
Thursday, October 19, 2006  
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 +/- p.m.  
***KC Trolley Ride – Tour of City 8:00 – 10:00 p.m.***



**REGION 3 MEMBERS SERVING IN AN IRWA  
INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP POSITION FOR 2006/2007:**

Cynthia L. Gan, SR/WA, R/W-EC  
Vice Chair, International Asset Management Committee (IAMC)

James E. Smith  
Vice Chair, International Environmental Committee (IEC)

Rita Rasmussen, SR/WA  
Chair, International Local Public Agency Committee (ILPAC)

Daniel A. Shiflett, SR/WA, R/W-NAC  
Vice Chair, International Surveying Committee (ISC)

Jack M. Borgmeyer, SR/WA, R/W-RAC  
Chair, International Professional Development Committee (IPDC)

David J. Hingtgen  
Chair, International Utilities Committee (IUC)

**CONGRATULATIONS!**



## **Chapter Reports**

See Chapter Reports on line [www.irwaregion3.org](http://www.irwaregion3.org)

## **International Committee Reports (view reports on line [www.irwaregion3.org](http://www.irwaregion3.org))**

Asset Management – Report given by Cynthia Gan

The IAMC met in Las Vegas. Goal for committee to put together a Power Point presentation for members on what is the Asset Management Committee. One of the IAMC sessions planned for the Denver Conference is a jeopardy type game. Also, the IAMC is co-sponsoring with the ILPAC for a tour in Denver.

Environment – No Report

LPA – Report given by Ashleigh Robison.

The ILPAC met in Las Vegas with good attendance. The ILPAC has a number of sessions planned for Denver. Mobile Workshop is planned for Tuesday afternoon. The APWA Conference will be held in Kansas City, Sept. 10-13 and the committee is looking for Region 3 members to help staff booth. Goals: Produce canned presentation and additional programs.

Membership – Report given by Joanie Miller

Membership continues to recruit from Courses. Suggest the Chapters contact the people who are not renewing to encourage them to renew. The Membership Committee is in limbo with some changes going on.

Nominations and Elections – Daryl Knobbe

International Slate of Officers for 2006/20097:

Jim Finnegan, SR/WA – International President

Jim Struble, SR/WA – International President Elect

Faith Roland, SR/WA – International Vice President

Juan Zaragosa, SR/WA – International Secretary/Treas.

Sandy Grigg, SR/WA – International Executive Committee Member

Ron Carlentine, SR/WA – International Executive Committee Member

Frank C. Balfour Award:

Corinne H. Barkdull, SR/WA: Chapter 52 - Region 4

Lee Satterfield Hamre, SR/WA: Chapter 6 - Region 9

Lisa R. Harrison, SR/WA: Chapter 33 - Region 2

Joanie Miller, SR/WA: Chapter 20 - Region 3

Bruce P. Reed, SR/WA: Chapter 5 - Region 3

Donald J. Sherwood, SR/WA: Chapter 36 - Region 2

SARPA Scholarship Award:

Bryan Kephart, Chapter 32 - Region 6

Newsletter of the Year:

FOR CHAPTERS WITH 100 OR MORE MEMBERS:

Chapter 67 - Region 1: Bundle of Writes, Editor: Joe Munsey.

CHAPTERS WITH LESS THAN 100 MEMBERS:

Chapter 63 - Region 8: Eastern Ontario and Quebec, Editor: Nicole Labelle

Employer of the Year:

FOR COMPANIES WITH 20 OR MORE EMPLOYEES:

Chapter 36 - Region 2: Pinnacle Consulting Management Group, Inc.

FOR COMPANIES WITH LESS THAN 20 EMPLOYEES:

Chapter 72 - Region 3: Basin Electric Power Cooperative

Chapter of the Year Award:

100 OR MORE MEMBERS: Chapter 44 - Region 1

LESS THAN 100 MEMBERS: Chapter 71-Region 7

Mark Green Award:

This year's recipient is Dean Chapman, SR/WA, Chapter 2 - Region 1 who won for his article on "Transmission Lines & Industrial Property Value," published in November/December 2005.

Pipeline – No Report

Professional Development – Ed Opstein

The IPDC met in February, 2006 and focused on several projects and issues devoted to our continuing efforts to improve the education programs of the Association. To include: Revamping Project, Course Reduction, and Instructor/Facilitator Requirements.

The IPDC was also briefed by EVP Dennis Stork and President Elect Jim Finnegan on policies and programs developed by the IEC and IRWA headquarters. Included in this were: Education Summit held in November with follow-up plans, decision-making process, the “Public Real Estate Education Symposium”, a Uniform Act Certification Task Force, Fees for credential programs, and new course policies.

All IPDC meetings conduct reviews of facilitator applicants, standards of course materials and presentations, revisions of courses, ideas for course coordinator and facilitator development and communication, concerns submitted by chapters and members, and discussions of proposed new courses.

Jim Struble provided background of the Education Summit. The Education Summit started 2 years ago with goals to revamp the Education Courses. The IRWA marketing needs to be restructured and delivery of courses. The IRWA Chapters have \$1.75 million in assets. Mr. Struble encouraged Chapters to donate any extra money to the Education Foundation. The Education Foundation is responsible for funding and to see it's spent correctly. The Education Foundation has large liabilities and the fund is dwindling.

Relocation – No Report

Survey – Dan Shiflett

The ISC is being held also today in Orlando which is tied into the Annual Surveyor Conference.

Transportation - Don Corrigan

The ITC met in Anaheim in November where the ITC sponsored 24 sessions. The ITC has 10 sessions scheduled in Denver and is Co-sponsoring with the ILPAC on Historic Presentations. The ITC is requiring a personal project from each region representative. The ITC is looking at mentoring Chapters and providing Outreach.

Utilities – Report given by Jim Diemer

The IUC is looking at course specific to utility right of way acquisition. The IUC has a good slate of programs and encourage members to attend. The IUC met in February in Denver.

Valuation – Report given by Bernie Banker

Donnie Sherwood sent PowerPoint presentation provided in DC earlier this year. IRWA needs to target right of way needs in the Valuation Committee.

### **Region Education Schedules – Craig Poorker**

- Will communicate with Chapter President and Education Chairs to coordinate courses to avoid overlap.
- Craig will work with coordinators to send broadcast e-mails.
- Chapter needs to consider not charging late fee.
- Chapter should consider sending out hard copy brochure or post cards. Be creative.
- Start thinking about courses for 2007.
- Check out website for courses.
- Let Craig know if you are changing or canceling courses.
- Encourage the Chapter leaders, course coordinators, facilitators, to attend the IPDC leadership course in Denver.
- Chapters to consider putting together a panel to discuss how to put on a class.

### **Election of Officers**

Re-elect current slate of officers

Call for nominations from floor.

Slate is so elected

Election of new officers will be held in the Spring of 2007

Chris Pawloski and Randy DeGeorge both voiced interest in running for Region 3 Secretary/Treasurer. Both candidates are from Chapter 78.

### **Professional of the Year-2005**

Congratulations to Nancy Halvorson, SR/WA, RW/RAC

### **Region Chair Meeting in San Antonio, Texas** – Report given by Jack Holt, SR/WA

The Region Chairs meet 2 times a year. The IEC meets the first day and then brings in the Region Chairs the following day. The IEC and Region Chairs discuss progress and problems faced in their Regions. Developing succession planning to get Regions more involved. Last meeting they discussed non-funding for course coordinators. Seeing more than one person running for a Region office is healthy for Region.

### **2006 Denver Conference**

The Annual Conference in Denver will be June 18-21, 2006. The format schedule of the conference has changed as follows:

Sunday-General Session

Monday morning-Region Caucus

Monday evening-Auction

Tuesday afternoon-Golf

Wednesday morning-Finnegan Fun Run

Wednesday afternoon-Board meeting  
Wednesday evening-Banquet  
Reminder to get Directors Registered

### **Region 3 Spring Forum Auction**

Chris Pawloski thanked everyone for their donations.  
Proposed the proceeds be given to Nancy Halvorson's IEC Campaign  
Presented to Region 3 a check in the amount of \$4,101.00 which includes a 1 week vacation donated Jim Diemer, Website Design, and 1 paid Course Registration.

### **Children's Book Drive**

Encourage the Chapters to donate to the book drive.  
Cash donations accepted to IRWA, c/o 2006 Book Drive Fund for Tsunami relief.  
Goal is to collect 5000 books and \$5,000 for shipping.

### **IRWA Talking Points** – Report given by Jack Holt

Spring 2006 Region Forum IRWA Update on the following:

- Membership Trends
- Education and Professional Development
- Annual Conference/Uniform Act Symposium/Federal Agency Update
- Communications/Marketing
- Financial Update
- General Issues/Bylaws Amendments

Contact Rita Rasmussen for a copy

### **Education Foundation** – Report given by Bruce Reed

- Revamp will cost another \$500,000
- Region 3 is 100% in donation
- Need \$13,000 each year from each region
- Net profit from 2005 Golf Tournament was \$11,951.00.
- For the Mile High Classic in Denver, the Education Foundation is requesting a donation for each hole.
- Requesting donations besides what is donated to Golf Tournament
- To fund Course 601 redevelopment will cost \$20,000.00
- Dennis Stork signed contract for another 2 years.

The motion for Region 3 to donate \$300.00 to sponsor a hole at the conference golf tournament was tabled for vote by e-mail (lack of quorum)

The motion for the Region 3 Spring Forum Auction proceeds to be used for Nancy Halvorson's IEC campaign fund was also tabled for a vote by e-mail (lack of quorum).

Meeting Adjourned

## Meeting Minutes

### IRWA Region 3 Caucus Monday, June 19, 2006 Denver, Colorado

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m., by Jack Holt, SR/WA, Region 3 Chair

Introductions were given by the attending members.

Roll call was taken and all chapters were represented.

Region 3 attendees to 2006 Conference:

<u>Chapter</u>	<u># of Members</u>	<u>Guests</u>
5	12 (total)	
20	7	5
37	7	0
41	10	7
72	11	6
78	11	5

Ken Davis stopped by for a visit as he is a candidate for the IEC.

Valerie Fries invited everyone to attend the Successful Education & Professional Development Programs session sponsored by the Professional Development Committee.

Region 3 recognitions:

- 2 members up for the Balfour award: Joanie Miller & Bruce Reed
- Basin Electric is the employer of the year for under 20 members
- Region 3 had a total of 33 members who were recertified, received their SR/WA designation or special designation.

Region 3 Fall Forum is scheduled for October 20, 2006 and will be hosted by Chapter 5.

Break for photo op.

Jack Borgmeyer, SR/WA, IPDC Chair, gave a brief overview of the 12 strategies to bring the education program into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Courses revised to draw younger people, new binders for courses, better quality control, revised instructor qualifications and deactivating some courses. Cut the course inventory from 71 to 57.

Nancy Halvorson, SR/WA, RW-RAC, candidate for the IEC, stopped by for a visit and announced the hospitality suite for Tuesday evening.

Daryl Knobbe reviewed the voting process.

Bruce Reed gave a report from RWIEF; Only 40% of the members are adding the \$10.00 for the education foundation donation when renewing membership dues. Bruce encouraged everyone to consider donating to the education foundation as more money is needed.

Randy DeGeorge and Chris Pawloski announced they are both running for the Region 3 Secretary/Treasurer position.

Ronn Carlentine, SR/WA, candidate for the IEC, stopped by for a visit.

Ashleigh Robison, ILPAC Region 3 Rep. announced the mobile workshop and encouraged members to attend.

Meeting adjourned.

*Minutes submitted by Rita Rasmussen, SR/WA  
Region 3 Secretary/Treasurer*

**DENVER 2006  
REGION 3 CAUCUS**



**IRWA Region 3 Treasurer's Report**  
 Spring Forum 2006  
 Omaha, NE  
 Friday, April 21, 2006

Balance 10/14/05	\$4,716.09	
<b>Income</b>		
Interest	6.65	
Close Region 3-MN Account	375.57	
Region 3 Dues (Chapters 5 & 20)	285.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$667.22</b>	
<b>Expense</b>		
Region 3 Donation to Nancy's IEC Campaign Fund	2,500.00	
Craig Poorker (reimbursement for plaque engraving)	31.95	
Don Corrigan (travel reimbursement)	250.00	
Econo Foods (postage)	7.80	
IRWA (POTY plaque)	54.00	
Lucky Awards (POTY engraving)	18.38	
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$2,862.13</b>	
 <b>Region 3 Balance</b>	 <b>\$2,521.18</b>	
 <b>Committed Income</b>	 <b>\$4,528.58</b>	
 <b>BALANCE AS OF 4/21/06</b>	 <b>\$7,049.76</b>	

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
 Rita J. Rasmussen  
*Rita J. Rasmussen, SR/WA*  
*Region 3 Secretary/Treasurer*



**Be sure to periodically check out the IRWA websites**

**Region 3 Website: [www.irwaregion3.org](http://www.irwaregion3.org)**

**International Right of Way Association Website: [www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org)**