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This month is going to be a general membership meeting that will cover the Annual election of Officers.

We will be reviewing the Fall Forum events, and previewing the 2008 education courses.

It will be a very good meeting, so make plans to attend.

Marty

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Scott Mease!!

We did not have a winner in the
Epic Land Solutions Jackpot drawing as
Scott was not there.

Mike McNeill won the consolidation
prize for a free lunch.





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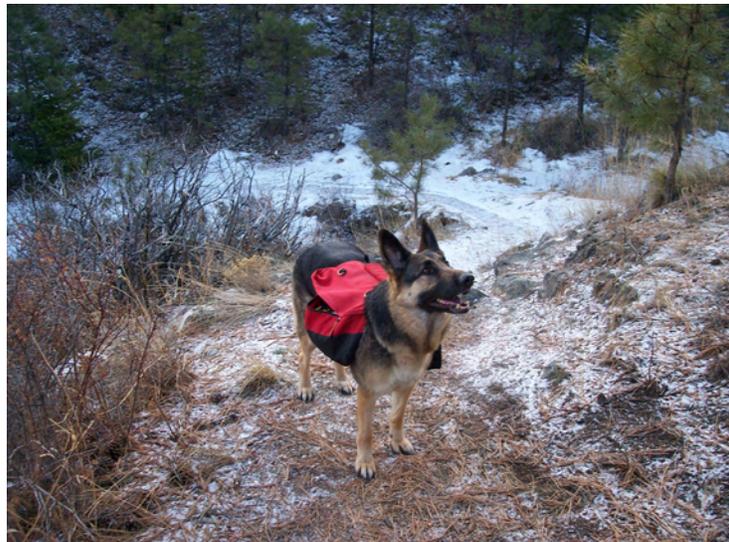
Carol Judd and I attended the third and last business meeting in 2007 for Region 7 of the International Right-of-Way. The last business meeting for 2007 was held on October 5, in lovely Spokane, Washington. This is also the last business meeting that I will be attending as your chapter's voting representative. Next year, Carol and Glenn Bridger will be representing the chapter at the three regional business meetings. Attending these meetings has provided me the forum to champion the needs of the chapters, which I do at every opportunity that arises, and to meet other chapter presidents and other active members in this association.

Spokane proved to be the perfect setting for the last meeting of the year. Fall was in her full glory in Spokane, with the leaves in bright shades of reds and yellows. It seemed fitting that I was ending my role as your representative in the fall surrounded by falling leaves. Fortunately or unfortunately depending on your view, I had very little time to dwell on my changing role or to marvel at the fall glory because most of my time was spent in meetings either reporting or reviewing past events or planning for future events.

One noteworthy item reported at the forum was that although headquarters is moving to online training, it appears that the online training still has some bugs that have not yet been worked out. Apparently people are having problems with the online training. People report success with the online training only after calling Bonnie Gray at headquarters. Therefore, for those of you who are trying

to take the online training, but are experiencing technical difficulties, give Bonnie a call. Bonnie can be reached at (310) 538-0233, extension 134.

Another item reported at the forum was that headquarters is continuing to look at ways to "incentivize" chapters and course coordinators to increase class sizes. Although the Regional Chair, Jim Price, reported that the class size, on average, is increasing to 18 participants, that trend



did not appear to reflect class sizes in Region 7. The incentives being offered next year include (1) giving the chapter a monetary credit of \$100 if the class participants exceeded 25 and a \$200 credit if participants exceeded 30; and (2) giving the course coordinator a gift certificate of \$25 for branded merchandise if class participants

exceeded 25 or \$50, if over 30.

And finally, the last item of note is that there will be two vacancies on the International Executive Committee (IEC) for 2008. One of the current officers, Juan Zaragosa, is unable to continue to serve on the committee due to health reasons and will be stepping down in June 2008.

Unlike past regional meetings, there was not much discussion about any issues to be voted on at the annual meeting in June of 2008. Perhaps that will occur at the next meeting in the spring of 2008. We did get an update on the role of the International Nominations and Elections Commit-

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tee (INEC). As you may recall, at the June 2007 Board of Directors meeting, there was a proposal to eliminate the INEC's role of evaluating and recommending a slate of officers. That proposal was tabled permanently.

The proposal was a result of miscommunications between members of the IEC and the INEC, which became obvious at the Board of Directors meeting. Consequently the two groups met this fall to discuss the appropriate role of the INEC in evaluating the IEC members. Based on that discussion, it appears that the INEC will continue to be involved in evaluating the members of the IEC, but the INEC's evaluation will be informed by feedback from the region's chairs, vice chairs and the region's committee chairs and vice chairs. Thus the only change in the INEC's evaluation role appears to be expanding the evaluation to include recommendations from the region and it is unlikely that this change will require approval by the board of directors.

For those of you who would like a more detailed report or explanation of what occurred at the regional fall forum, join us at either our board meeting or lunch on November 9 at Ernesto's, 8544 S.W. Apple Way. The board meeting starts at 10:30 am and the lunch begins at noon. This is your last chance to talk with me as your regional representative and as your chapter president. I would be more than willing to talk to you about the regional forum and try to answer any questions you may have about where the association has been and where we are going.



Educational News

After a rocky start, the Chapter closed its year with an educational bang.

First there was the Relocation Rendezvous, an effort at presenting relocation assistance in a whole new format. With encouragement from a series of "guest experts," the rendezvous consisted of audience participation discussions instead of canned powerpoint presentations. The 80 participants from across the United States actively discussed a wide variety of relocation topics, and at 4:30 on the final day were still ready for more. Feedback so far is all positive, with everyone requesting the event be repeated in 1-2 years. Congratulations to Al House, Glenn Bridger, Allen Anderson, Terri House, and Marta Goosey for developing this innovative and successful approach to adult education. And thanks to Carol Judd for coming up with such a great facility.

On the heels of the Rendezvous came Course 401, Appraisal of Partial Acquisitions. Held in the Washington County training facility (thanks, Rod Bliss), the course attracted 30 participants – our largest class since the last time this course was held! Despite a few bumps in the road, the five-day course was deemed a success. Our thanks to Jim Godfrey, Pam Mason, and the wonderful Magdalena Campuzano for smoothing out those bumps. And, as always, thanks to Instructor Joe Pestinger and his sister Marianne Sager for helping our bottom line.

In summary, then, we netted twice the educational income that we budgeted for this year – due to the creative efforts of Dawneen Dostert, Education Chair; Carol Judd, President-Elect; and our own Jaci Margeson, President. Great job, everyone!!!



Quotes from the quorum

Financial Reports: Treasurer -- Casey reported that there is \$ 5,133 in the checking and \$ 35,465 in the savings account. The seminar account has \$10.

Education: Marta reported that there is \$24,000 in savings and \$3,400 in checking.

Membership Report: No new member applications.

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OLD BUSINESS:

2007 Relocation Rendezvous -- Marta stated that 67 people are registered, but there at least 3 more not yet counted. Marta held a drawing that included participants to award Vivian Howell's paid, but not-usable-by-her, registration. Nate Poole was the lucky winner in this drawing and T-COEF will fund the remaining registrations for the non-winners of this drawing.

2007 Partial Acquisition 401 – 29 have registered which is indicating a \$3,800 profit for this course Scheduled for October 22 – 26th.

2008 Environmental Course – Jaci, Fred Walasavage and John Hooson are working on assembling an environmental mini-course for March 2008. They would also like to put on Course 600 along with the mini-course and offer an economic incentive to take both day's classes.

December Installation -- December 6, 2007 set up at the Rheinlander Restaurant on Sandy Blvd. in Portland. Cost for members and spouse or significant other is \$15 each and children for \$10. Jaci wants to show a short inspirational presentation that was brought out at the International Conference. Marta moved that the Chapter pay the dinner fee for past presidents and their spouses or significant others provided they are no longer actively working in the right of way profession. Evar seconded the motion – motion passed.

November Planning Session – Will be held at Marta's condo on November 10-11, 2007. If you can attend, please RSVP to Jaci or Marta so space can be reserved for overnight accommodations.

Easement Laws Update of Washington and Oregon – Pam will help coordinate Dan Beardsley's presentation(s). Dan cannot do both Washington and Oregon back to back. He will give the Washington course in Seattle in late march early spring, so perhaps he can do Oregon earlier, say February. Some people practice across state lines –notably Jaci. Course 802, Legal Aspects of Easements, should be hooked to the Oregon presentation of Dan's course.

NEW BUSINESS:

Slate of Officers – Jerry Swan and others on the Advisory Council have been working hard to find members who will agree fill the vacant positions this year. No one has been found for the Vice President's position or the Treasurer's slot. Casey has graciously agreed to remain as treasurer until a new candidate can be unearthed. Perhaps the Vice President's slot can remain unfilled this year with Glen continuing to be responsible for luncheon speakers. Pat Hinds SRWA, Multnomah County, will fill the open PDC slot.

Educational Courses 2008 and Beyond – Jaci (incoming Education Chair) said that all but one or two core courses have been updated by the IEC. Her proposal is to have about one course per month in 2008 and 2009 featuring the core courses so that a newer agent can expect to get these training opportunities in a single two-year period. Mini-courses will be presented along with the rest of the schedule.

Best Practices for Local Public Agencies – Leslie Benkendorf SRWA has agreed to be the lead person in setting up a Best Practices session on the west side of the Cascades in 2008.

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October 2007 Regional Forum– Recently held in Spokane. Jaci will provide a written report to the secretary for inclusion with these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT: President Jaci Margeson, adjourned the meeting at 12:00 PM.

GENERAL LUNCHEON MEETING

Luncheon Speakers: Roger and Valerie Pease of Inspiration Works, LLC

Using a team-teaching technique, Roger and Valerie introduced the concept of Emotional Intelligence to some of those in the group and refreshed the knowledge of others who are familiar with the term. Basically, the idea is to recognize the many emotions that we have and that others have with whom we come in contact in our business and domestic dealings each day. They led us through a brief exercise of giving and getting feedback on a recent interpersonal contact that stimulated some emotions.

OFFICER AND MEMBERSHIP REPORTS:

President Elect: Carol Judd was given a big round of applause for the success of the Demystifying Titles course that was held last month. Carol stated that there seems to be enough demand to justify another title course next year



Chapter 3 Holiday "Meeting"

December 6, 2007~ 7:00 pm Save the Date!

This year the Chapter 3 Holiday Dinner meeting and festivities will be held at the famous Rheinlander German Restaurant.

* PLAN TO ATTEND! *

Chapter Holiday Dinner & Installation "Meeting"

Thursday Evening, December 6th

7:00 pm for Hors d'Oeuvres and no-host Cocktails

Rheinlander (Gustav's) in NE Portland, 5035 NE Sandy Blvd., 97213

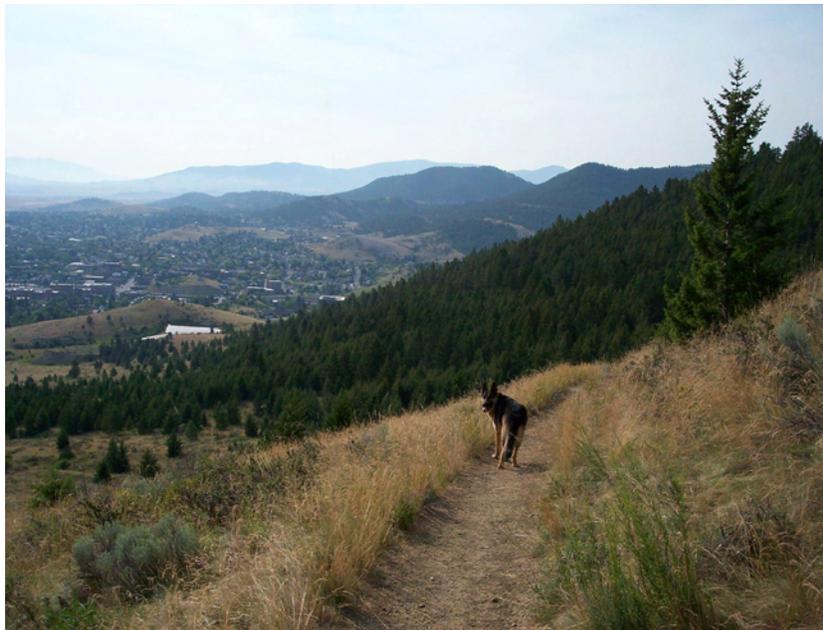
The fabulous dinner feast will begin at 7:30 pm.

Special prices! \$15.00 per person - that's only \$30 per couple, and \$10/child, for the Rheinlanders' famous cuisine. This festive pre-holiday celebration will include our year's end Thank You Party to President Jaci, for her leadership and hard work for Chapter 3 in 2007, and installation of 2008 officers.

* Please come to the most fun meeting of the year with a "white-elephant" gift exchange!

* A special holiday keepsake for the first 35 members & guests (and children!) who sign up and pay Monica at or before our November 9th business meeting.

Questions and reservations ? Monica Stafflund: cell phone 503-383-8653 or mastafflund@bpa.gov .
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Annual Gen. Membership Mtg.
Election of 2008 Officers
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December 6
Installation of 2008 Officers
Holiday Celebration

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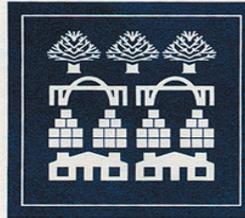
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