



March 2011

Newsletter for Beaver State Chapter 3 - Serving Oregon and SW Washington since 1950

IRWA Beaver State Chapter 3 Meeting March 11th at... ERNESTO'S

Board Meeting: 10:30am
Meeting: 12:00pm
Speaker: 12:15pm

8544 SW Apple Way
Portland, Oregon 97225

Stumped on Timber Values?
Cliff will have you barking up the right tree

Cliff Barnhart, ACF
Stuntzner Engineering & Forestry

Cliff Barnhart joined Stuntzner Engineering & Forestry in 1992 as a Forester/Forest Resource Analyst and became a partner in the firm in 1997. His work with Stuntzner combines timberland appraisal projects, forest inventory, forest management, logging and transportation analysis, and environmental impact analysis. Mr. Barnhart has appraised timberland and standing timber throughout Oregon and Alaska. His appraisal experience has included both Eastern Oregon and Western Oregon timberlands for the purpose of acquisition, estate valuation, collateral, conservation easements, exchanges, and litigation. Clients have included all classifications of private parties ranging from small woodland owners to large industrial owners, as well as municipal, state, and federal organizations. Mr. Barnhart's inventory experience includes the design and management of timberland inventory projects. These projects have ranged in scope from building a complete inventory from the ground up, to completing a verification of an existing inventory. His project work often includes GIS mapping and analysis. Prior to joining Stuntzner he was employed as a forester for Hull-Oakes Lumber Company managing their 12,000 acres of timberlands as well as assisting with the procurement of old-growth timber for their sawmill. Mr. Barnhart has a degree in Forest Engineering from Oregon State University and has taken several short courses on timberland appraisal.



Guest Speaker: Cliff Barnhart

IRWA Chapter 3...

Please make meal RSVP's as soon as possible to Shannon Fish at shannon@rowainc.com

February 11th
Prize Drawing Results

Anna Weston was not present to win the \$ 225 jackpot drawing.

Louis Benedict won the free Lunch
Congratulations!

March Lunch
Jackpot is \$250
Good Luck!

IRWA REMINDERS...

IRWA Young Professionals Event
March 23 - 25, 2011
Las Vegas, NV

2011 IRWA Conference
"Education on My Mind"
June 12 - 15, 2011
Atlanta, GA

Region 7 Spring Forum
March 18 & 19
Seattle, WA

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It's all about attitude! I subscribe to Success Magazine and have read or listened to cd's of "The Secret" by Rhonda Byrne, or "Think and Grow Rich" by Napoleon Hill. Wikipedia described "Think and Grow Rich" as motivational development. In these economic times, I think it is imperative that we take an "attitude" reading and find ways to stay out of the gloom and doom game so prevalent everywhere we turn.

I got to thinking about this after I checked in on a friend the other day. When asked how things were, like usual, she went on about how the world is coming to an end, "just waiting for it to happen". I understand her company is hanging on by a thread but she still is employed, even if part time. However, she is fortunate and has so much going for her financially as well as personally. She owns about 12 rentals and though a single mom, she spends hours helping her son with his homework. She says she is a lousy mom. She owns a beautiful home full of art pieces she has travelled far and wide to collect and all of this as a single parent. Now what is wrong with this picture?

Last month, I talked about the importance of becoming active in networking within your professional organization BEFORE it is needed. This is where the contacts are that you may need if you experience a slow down in employment, or need an "attitude" adjustment, i.e., support from your peers.

Success Magazine has wonderful articles, like the March 2011 "A Better Way to Motivate, Daniel Pink asks managers to get personal ... and then back off." "Small Steps Equal Big Success, when it comes to big goals, small steps matter most," in the Success for Teens article of the month. There are articles by John C. Maxwell every month, this one on leadership, "Winning the Big Challenge, the bigger the challenge, the more you need to develop a team," based on developing leaders.

The other two I mentioned, "The Secret" and "Think and Grow Rich" have to do with the direction your thinking takes. It is the old, "what you think about you bring about" concept. My friend is clearly not thinking positive thoughts and could benefit from stockpiling reading material, cd's, iPod apps and anything else she could get her hands on regarding "upping" her attitude, vs. stockpiling food, ammo, stress, and living in fear and depression. In today's market, in today's world, don't you agree we need to read at least a half hour each day something that will lift us up, something we can use to put out positive energy to the world?

How do you plan on living your life? Shouldn't we surround ourselves with like minded people sharing their expertise, selfless contributions, networking, and here comes another plug, getting active in Beaver State Chapter 3, IRWA in any way you possibly can? It will benefit you and your associates in a field that we share in some way or another, and it will trickle down to how you look at your life. As for my friend, I can only hope to continue to be there for her and be an example for living my life "out loud" with the best attitude that I can drum up by continuing to read Success magazine and others like it.

Dawneen



Member Spotlight

Kayla Carol, SR/WA

Lead Senior Property Agent for PacifiCorp



We've actually kidded Kayla about having two first names, but that would be a lot easier than enumerating the number of positions she's held while becoming a deeply-involved and much-respected SR/WA.

Ms. Carol (see what we mean about the multiple first names) started her career as a surveyor in 1978. Surveying led to title examination and eventually Right of Way acquisition for San Diego Gas & Electric Company. With the basics well-learned, she moved on to contracting with Epic Land Solutions, and then transportation acquisitions for Ada County Highway Department.

Kayla relocated to Portland in July of 2007, and currently works as a Lead Senior Property Agent in the Right of Way Section of PacifiCorp.

When it comes to multiples, one must also count Kayla's IRWA chapters over her 25 years of membership - San Diego (Chapter 11), Idaho (Chapter 64) and Oregon (Chapter 3). In that span, she has held the SR/WA designation for 16 years, and in 2001 achieved the distinction of being a Balfour Finalist.

And she has been a most active member of IRWA, helping others develop their careers by serving on the Professional Development Committee, at one time or another holding every Board position and involved in many committees with Chapter 11 including education, budget and nominations and elections.

Kayla meshes her PDC duties with a busy work schedule. She also enjoys artistic endeavors which include painting, quilting and knitting. In addition, she has studied various alternative forms of healing, as medicine has always been her first interest.

She balances all that activity and productivity by enjoying time with her new family, especially with niece Sara who is 3 ½.

Chapter 3 Newest Members

At the January and February Ch 3 Board Meetings, the following people were approved for IRWA membership:

- Mr. Dan Rodrigues,** *ODOT Right of Way Section in Salem, his email is dan.rodriques@odot.state.or.us and he can be reached at 503.986.2615*
- Mr. Andrew Sager,** *Self-employed Surveyor. Andrew's email is ankh007@hotmail.com and he can be reached at 503.789.9687*
- Mr. Randy D. Brusven,** *ODOT Right of Way Section in Salem, his email is randy.brusven@odot.state.or.us and he can be reached at 503.986.2610*
- Ms. Sharon Matlock,** *PacifiCorp. Her email address is sharon.matlock@pacificorp.com and she can be reached by phone at 503.813.5525*

Take the opportunity to contact and meet these new members and welcome them into Chapter 3.

2011 IRWA Conference

Conference Location:

Hilton Atlanta
255 Courtland Street NE
Atlanta, Georgia, United States 3030:
Tel: 1-404-659-2000
www.atlanta.hilton.com



Conference Dates:

Sunday, June 12, 2011 – Wednesday, June 15, 2011

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

	By March 25	March 26 – May 13	After May 13
Member – Full Registration	\$425	\$475	\$575
Non-Member – Full Registration	\$525	\$575	\$675
Daily Registration (per day)	\$175	\$200	\$225
Companion	\$225	\$225	\$250
Youth (under 18)	\$40	\$40	\$50

IRWA Young Professionals Education and Networking Event

This event is open to all individuals ages 30 and under in the ROW industry.

Dates: March 23 – 25, 2011
Location: Las Vegas, NV
(Detailed Location TBD)

Registration and cost for the event will be available in January, 2011.

REGION 7 - 2011 SPRING FORUM

MARCH 18 & 19
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Additional Information and Registration Information for the Spring Forum on the following page.

REGISTER NOW!

WE ARE RECRUITING!

Chapter 3 is recruiting volunteers for several positions on the Board again - as usual. This a great opportunity to learn about the organization, make new connections, and help the Chapter. The Board is looking for those who want to participate and we'll help you find the right fit for you.

If you have any questions, contact Dawneen, or any of the Board members - they will be happy to hear from you.

Historian:

The Chapter has a tremendous amount of information that potentially should be catalogued to preserve the history of the Chapter. Volunteers are being sought. An idea was heard that each member might want to enter their own personal information onto the site themselves.

Region 7 Spring 2011 Forum
March 18-19, 2011,
Seattle Westin Hotel
Site of the 2012 Annual Education Conference



Hosted by Puget Sound Chapter 4



The Seattle Westin Hotel
1900 Fifth Avenue
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206-728-1000
Room Block: IRWA Region 7 Forum
Price: \$189.00 per night
<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/IRWARegion7Forum>

Education: Start your visit to Seattle with a little education!

Friday 3/18/11 8am-5pm - Course 304 "When Agencies Collide"

Friday 3/18/11 6pm-9pm - An evening of Strategic Brainstorming, Pizza and Beer

Daniel Stokol, Marketing Director from IRWA World Headquarters will facilitate Roundtable discussions such as:

- ◆ Marketing your Chapter and your courses!
- ◆ *Excite and Engage* your volunteers!
- ◆ Creative new ideas for meeting presentations!
- ◆ Share your Chapter successes!

Governance: Saturday 3/19/11 8am-5pm - Region 7 Forum, Westin Hotel

Fun: Saturday Night - Dinner at the Space Needle

More details on the cost for the Region Forum
And Saturday Night dinner coming soon!

Please email us if you are considering attending

For more information or RSVP
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Course Spotlight

NEGOTIATING THROUGH INDIAN COUNTRY

**April 14, 2011
Radisson - PDX**

**Registration Fee: \$100 for members - \$150 for non-members plus facility fee
Online Registration at www.irwachapter3.com**

Chapter 3 of the International Right-of-Way Association (IRWA) is holding a one day course on Negotiating through Tribal Lands. This course will cover various aspects of navigating through the agencies and processes associated with negotiating for right-of-way in Indian Country. If you are involved in any way with a right-of-way over tribal land, this course provides everything you need to know about navigating through the various processes and working with tribes and tribal members. The Chapter will apply for IRWA education credits next year.

Facilitators for the course include Bob Miller, Professor at Lewis & Clark Law School who will talk about the legal aspects of land ownership. Other facilitators include employees from the Regional Solicitor's Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Office of Special Trust Services. In addition, various tribal members have agreed to participate and share information about their culture, focusing on the significance that land and food plays in their culture.

Negotiating through Tribal Lands will be held April 14, 2011, at the Radisson at PDX. Cost for the course is \$100.00 plus a facility fee for members and \$150.00 plus facility fee for non-members.

This will be an incredible opportunity to gain understanding and insight into the complicated processes and cultural aspects involved with working with the Tribes.

More information on the website – so check it out!

Education Courses for 2011

March 14-17

C-100

Principles of Right of Way Acquisition

Facilitator: *Joe Pestinger, SR/WA*

Site: Woodburn Fire District

April 14

Ch 3: Tribal Relations & Negotiations Seminar

Facilitators: *Expert Panel of Speakers*

Site: Radisson, PDX

April 28

C-802

Legal Aspects of Easements

Facilitator: *Joe Pestinger, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

May 19

C-606

Environmental Awareness (Newly rewritten)

Facilitator: *Fred Walasavage*

Site: Radisson, PDX

June 14-16

C-201

Communications in Real Estate Negotiation

Facilitator: *Carol Brooks, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

July 12-13

C-501

Residential Relo Assistance

Facilitator: *Al House, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

July 26-27

C-502

Business Relocation

Facilitator: *Al House*

Site: Phoenix Inn - North, Salem

July 28-29

Ch 3: Relocation Rendezvous III

Facilitator: *Al House and Expert Panel of Speakers*

Site: Red Lion Hotel, Salem

September 21

C-901

Engineering Plan Dev & App

Facilitator: *Joe Pestinger, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

September 22

C-104

Standards of Practice for R/W Professionals

Facilitator: *Joe Pestinger, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

October 5-6

C-207

Practical Negotiations for US Fed Funded Acq's

Facilitator: *TBA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

November 2-3

C-700

Intro to Property Management

Facilitator: *Joe Pestinger, SR/WA*

Site: Radisson, PDX

Make sure to periodically check www.irwachapter3.com for any course updates or changes to the schedule.

Mug Shot:



Photo by Lori Hathaway

**Carl Toland awarding mugs to new SR/WA recipients
from left to right: Jim Lingman, Tara Heesacker and Louis Benedict**

February Meeting

Thanks Dave for great insight on Federal Highway Administration's audit policies and practices.

If you are interested in the additional training and the webinars that Dave mentioned, please visit... www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov



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Dave Leighow

Dave Leighow began his career in Right-of-Way/Real Estate with the Florida DOT in 1973. In 15 years with FDOT, Dave served as State Relocation Administrator, State Outdoor Advertising Administrator, Assistant State ROW Administrator, and District ROW Administrator in Ft. Lauderdale.

Dave began his first tour with FHWA as a Realty Specialist in the LA Division. Dave left FHWA briefly to become a project manager for Kaiser Engineers in Florida, and subsequently returned to FHWA in 1992 in the CA Division. Dave went to the WV Division in 1993 as the Environment/Civil Rights/Right-of-Way Team Leader, and in 1999 transferred out to the WA Division as the Realty Officer and the Safety, Planning and Environment Team Leader. In 2006 Dave left FHWA to become the Director of Planning and Program Development for FTA Region 10 in Seattle. Dave returned to FHWA in March 2008 and is now the Headquarters Point of Contact for the west coast Division Offices.

IRWA International Committee Meetings

Los Angeles, CA – February 16-18, 2011

The International Committees met on February 16 to plan the sessions for the Atlanta Conference in June to work on recent assignments from the IEC and to conduct committee business. The event was coordinated by headquarters and held at the Embassy Suites adjacent to LA Airport just about 20 minutes from IRWA Headquarters. Wednesday was the primary day for the committee meetings, the remainder of the week was for those working the specialty task force assignments.

The industry committee meet at least twice a year, once for a planning session such as was just held in February and again at the Conference in June. Some of the committees have additional meetings during the year, or meet via telephone conference calls. Each committee is made up of a committee chair, a vice chair, a representative from each of the Regions, an IPDC representative and an IEC liaison. Many of the committees also have members-at-large.

The IEC has set up three special task forces, one to review current position descriptions for the committee chairs and vice chairs, an experience task force, and a specialty path task force. Each Industry committee has a representative on those individual task forces. See the article in this newsletter from Headquarters that gives the update for each of these task forces. The article also addresses the task force set up regarding the facilitator clinics.

Attending the meeting on Wednesday from Chapter 3 were John Hooson, SR/WA, Vice Chair of the Environmental Committee and Leslie Finnigan, SR/WA, Vice Chair of the Local Public Agency Committee. For those of us that completed the committee business before the end of the day, we were able to tour the new headquarters facility. The staff was gracious and excited to show us the new space. It was a great opportunity to see the folks that support the chapters and regions.



International Right of Way Association Unveils Winner of 2010 Infrastructure Project of the Year Competition

In September 2010, a panel of industry experts selected this unique mix of Top 10 projects:

The 2010 Project of the Year was awarded to the Utah Transit Authority Frontlines Program of Projects, deemed one of the biggest, most aggressive and successful rail expansion programs in the country. Earlier this year, Forbes magazine singled out Salt Lake City, Utah, as the best city in the U.S. for commuters and credits the state's investment in transportation infrastructure for the top ranking.

- Utah Transit Authority Frontlines Program (**winner**)
- San Diego Water Authority's Emergency Storage Project
- Oklahoma Interstate 44 Improvement Project
- Los Angeles Unified School District New Construction Program
- Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority Link Light Rail
- City of Aurora, Colorado's Prairie Waters Project
- Texas State Highway 130 Segments 1-6
- Exxon Mobil's Surface Acquisition Project in Jakarta, Indonesia
- UNEV Pipeline Project, Salt Lake City to North Las Vegas
- Panama City Int'l Airport Relocation/Reopening as New Northwest Florida Beaches Int'l Airport



Task Force Update

Background: Over the past three months, three key task forces have been established to address the current credentialing needs of our members. Here is an update on task force activity to date.

Experience Task Force: An Experience Task Force with representatives from each industry committee met in early December of 2010 to identify qualifying experience tasks. The goal of this task force is to develop uniform experience requirements for our certification and designation program. Task Force members will be asking their committees to review their lists of experience tasks for their respective disciplines. After receiving comments and input, a series of Webinar/Conference Calls will be conducted to finalize these lists and create guidelines for use by certification and designation candidates, Chapter Professional Development committees and IRWA staff.

Specialty Task Force: The next key initiative related to professional development was the creation of a Specialist Career Path. The IRWA needs to consider the appropriateness of our current specialist certifications, if others are needed and an action plan for their development. A Specialty Task Force was formed with representatives from each industry committee. A series of meetings was held from February 16-20, 2011 designed to expedite the process.

On the first day of meetings the industry committees developed ideas regarding the specialty career path related to their disciplines. On the second and third days representatives from the committees brought the information to the Task Force meeting and developed a recommendation that will complement our new Generalist Career Path. On the fourth day the IPDC and IEC met to review the recommendation and determined that further studies of both internal and external markets would be needed to best determine the needs of our members and the needs of the users of our services.

On the fifth day the IGC approved the general concept proposed by the Task Force plus funding for market research. We hope to have these studies completed within the next 6-8 months. Based on those findings a multiple year plan will be implemented for new course development and specialty certifications.

Facilitator Task Force: At the September 2010 IGC meeting a moratorium was placed on new Facilitator Clinics until the criteria for those clinics can be reevaluated. A Facilitator's Task Force is scheduled to meet later this spring to review and revise our Facilitator Clinic. We anticipate that a new Facilitator Clinic will be available later this year. However, if the Task Force determines that extensive revisions are necessary, requiring a longer time frame for implementation, they will consider offering a clinic with some minor revisions while also working on the complete revision.



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Department of Transportation and Development,
Engineering Division for Clackamas County

Right-Of-Way Technician

Clackamas County is seeking a detail-oriented and positive PART TIME Right-of-Way Technician to assist other Right-of-Way Agents by researching public records, easements, drafting right of way documents and other materials for acquisitions of easements, assisting with property disposal work and maintaining files and records.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge of Right-of-Way processes and laws
- Knowledge of highway construction plans
- Experience working with the public
- Highly detail-oriented and organized
- The ability to work well within a team
- Basic Word and Excel skills

**Possession of a valid driver's license. Incumbents must possess and maintain an acceptable driving record through the course of employment.

Department:	Transportation and Development Department/ Engineering Division
Position Opens:	March 3, 2011
Position Closes:	March 21, 2011
Salary & Benefits:	\$19.39 - 24.42 Hourly Plus excellent benefits

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Please look for the complete Job Posting online at: <http://www.clackamas.us/>

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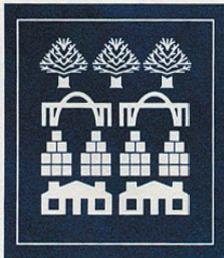


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Beaver State Chapter 3, International Right of Way Association
Board Meeting Minutes for February 11, 2011
Ernesto's Restaurant – 8544 SW Apple Way, Portland, Oregon

CALL TO ORDER: President Dawneen Dostert called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM: Secretary Matt Gossett determined that a quorum was present with proxies.

APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 5, 2010 MINUTES: Minutes were approved and seconded.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim Lingeman read his report to the Board. The Treasurers report was approved and seconded.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: No report given.

EDUCATION REPORT: Sandra Billings spoke about her need for Course Coordinators as the January Course Coordinator class did not have many participants. Sandra is willing to provide another class if needed.

A list of the upcoming courses was provided.

PDC REPORT: No report was given.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussions on the following:

Chapter Manual, By Laws and Elections - Jaci Margeson
Storage of laptop, In Focus and flip chart
Life Membership Status
Recap/Update from Retreat topics
Chapter Name Badges

NEW BUSINESS:

Meetings from other or remote locations
Region meetings/Attendees/Forms

Three potential candidates for membership were presented: Dan Rodrigues of ODOT, Andreas Sager, a self-employed surveyor, and Randy Brusven of ODOT.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the new members. There was unanimous approval by the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Education: Sandra Billings spoke about her need for Course Coordinators. She is willing to provide another class if needed.

Relocation: Regina Thompson spoke about ODOT's recent policy development regarding negative equity situations for relocatees. This policy insures that a relocatee who is in this negative equity situation would still be eligible for their full replacement housing payment.

Region Environmental Committee: John Hooson is working on an online course for Environmental. He is meeting in Los Angeles on 2/15/2011.

ADJOURNMENT: President Dostert adjourned the Board meeting at 11:57 am.

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