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**OREGON–SW WASHINGTON**

**May 11, 2007 – Luncheon Meeting**

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

Ernesto's request's that we not arrive until 10:30 AM

**Ernesto's Italian Buffet**  
Pizza, Pasta, Fish, Veg-  
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\$11



**ELECTRONIC  
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REMINDER**

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chapter meeting??

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**SPEAKER:** Phil McClellan ORMAP Project Coordinator

**TOPIC:** ORMAP Update.

Please join us for lunch at Ernesto's on May 11. The topic for this lunch will be to discuss the various changes proposed by headquarters in the organization's policy and bylaws. Please come to hear about the changes. This is your opportunity to give your views to your President, Jaci Margeson, and to your President-Elect, Carol Judd, so they can represent you in Sacramento as we vote on these changes on June 20, 2007 at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors. The exact language of the changes is reprinted in this newsletter. A more detailed explanation of the changes can be found on the IRWA webpage ([www.iraonline.org](http://www.iraonline.org)) under "IRWA News."

**Meal Reservations due  
May 9th**

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**Nathan Poole!!**

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

Congratulations to Ernie Estes  
for winning the Bring a Potential  
New Member to Lunch drawing.





## THE PREZ SEZ

I just returned from the business meeting of Region 7 of the International Right-of-Way Association. These meetings are called a forum. Each year, the region holds two forums: One in the fall and one in the spring. For the spring of 2007, Chapter 3 hosted the forum. The 2007 Regional Spring Forum was held in Bend Oregon on April 27, 2007 and from all accounts was a huge success.

Region 7 consists of the following chapters: Chapter 3, the Beaver State Chapter; Chapter 4, Puget Sound; Chapter 19 Inland Empire; Chapter 45, Big Sky; Chapter 49, Sourdough; Chapter 64, Snake River; Chapter 68, Cascade; and Chapter 71, Arctic Trails. We had representatives from all the chapters at the forum except chapters 64 and 68. We had people in attendance from Alaska and Montana as well as from Washington and Oregon. Naturally, because of the location, members from Chapters 3 and 4 were in the majority. Chapter 3 was well represented. Also Jim Struble, the current International President-Elect and soon to be International President attended the forum.

I was surprised that Jim Struble sought me out to talk about our chapter and the direction we are taking this year to provide education opportunities for our members. The details of that discussion are much too long to present here but if you are interested in hearing about this discussion, please join us at the board meeting on May 11 at Ernesto's. The board meeting starts at 10:30 am. If you are unable to make the board meeting, catch me after the lunch.

The 2007 Spring Forum gave me the opportunity to talk to other chapter presidents and International committee chairs. I learned that while each chapter faces unique issues, we have a lot in common as we try to an organization that is staffed totally by volunteers. Based on these discussions I came away more convince and committed to the goals and direction charted by the executive board this year for Chapter 3. I firmly believe that the decisions we made this year for achieving our goals are appropriate, fiscally sound and on target for supporting our educational purpose.

In addition, I also learned about three issues that will be voted on at the annual International Board of Directors meeting on June 20, 2007. The first is a resolution that would change the pro-rata dues membership for new members joining after October 1. The second is a by-laws amendment for approving members-at-large. The third is a by-laws amendment to change the name and the responsibilities of the International Nominations and Elections Committee. I plan to discuss what I learned about these changes at the May 11 board meeting and lunch. I encourage members to attend this board meeting or the lunch or both to learn about these changes, and to give me any comments or feedback that they may have on these changes. The exact language of these changes is included below in this newsletter.



As part of this forum, we elected a new regional officers. Fred Walasavage, Chapter 3, is now the Region's Vice-Chair. Join me in congratulating Fred on his new office. Jim Price, Chapter 4, was elected the Region's Chair. And Pat Thayer, Chapter 71, was nominated and elected as the new Region Secretary.

We ended the forum with a fundraising raffle. Not only was the raffle fun and entertaining but it generated funds for the region. We had a variety of items for the raffle, including wine and beer, donated by me, Carol and John Hooson. A big "Thank You" to Carol and John. I want to extend a special thank you to John Howington for designing labels for John's wine that commemorated the 2007 Regional Forum in Bend. The labels (and the wine) were a big hit with the attendees, and I had to keep a close eye on the bottles during the evening events.

Looking ahead to the upcoming regional forums, the next one will be in the fall of 2007 and will be hosted by Chapter 19, in Spokane, Washington. The forum in the spring of 2008 will be hosted by Chapter 64, somewhere in Idaho. And the fall of 2008 forum will be a joint Region 10 and Region 7 event, with the location still to be determined.

*Jaci Margeson*

# F Y I

The following information is for your review and consideration. Read it carefully as it will be discussed at the lunch meeting on Friday.

Resolution for Pro-Rata Membership Dues: The proposed resolution would alter IRWA's policy so that if a new member wants to join after October 1, the prospective member must pay the full dues for the following year, giving them 15 months of membership, rather than paying for only three months. This policy gives them a full year of IRWA membership before having to make a decision to renew. The minor loss of revenue (from the three months) will be offset in the long term by better retention and reduced staff time explaining the billing system.

Proposed Bylaws Amendment to Address At-Large Members: This proposed change is due to the fact that current bylaws refer to approval by the International Membership Committee which has been dissolved.

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 3 of the Association Bylaws refer to Members-at-large elected to membership by the "International Membership Committee;" and

WHEREAS, the International Membership Committee has been dissolved and a new election process is necessary for Members-at-large;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that Article III, Section 3 of the Association Bylaws be amended as follows;

At-Large – Members-at-large shall be those persons who otherwise meet the membership criteria but we are not located in an area served by chapter of the Association, and who are elected to membership as provided in the Association's Policy and Procedures Manual.

Proposed Amendment to Changed Name and Clarify Responsibilities of the International Nominations and Elections Committee. The purpose of the amendment is to signify the role that committee plays in the selection of the various Association awards and to rectify ambiguous language in the current bylaws regarding the committee's role in approving candidates.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to align the name of the International Nominations and Elections Committee with the current duties and responsibilities of that committee; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to clarify ambiguous wording in the current bylaws which creates confusion concerning individuals to be placed in nomination for International Offices; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to create a clear protocol under which all interested and qualified candidates may have their names placed upon the voting agenda for the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent to increase minimum qualifications for International Officers to be elected by the Board;

THEREFORE, be it resolved: That Article V, Section 2 of the Association Bylaws be amended as follows:

## Section 2 Qualifications

The following are the minimum qualifications for officers to be elected by the Board:

The candidate must have been a member in good standing for a chapter or chapters of the Association for a period of not less than six years immediately preceding the annual election of such officers; and be it further resolved that Article V, Section 5 of the Association Bylaws be amended as follows:

## Section 5. Nomination and Election of Officers

There shall be an Election and Awards Committee appointed each year as provided for in the Association's Policy and Procedures Manual.

Nominations by the International Elections and Awards Committee shall submit a report to the International President, with a copy to the International Secretary, containing the names of the qualified persons who have submitted for nomination to each such office, except those of International President, Region Chairs and Region Vice Chairs, not less than forty days prior to the date of the annual meeting of the Board of Directors provided, however, that in the event that the International President Elect has assumed the office of the International President, as a result of a vacancy in that office, a nominee for the office of International President shall also be named in said report.

Nomination by Petition: Any member, Chapter or Region Forum may petition to place on the ballot a candidate for election to an office on the International Executive Committee. Any such petition must be submitted to the International Elections and Awards Committee not later than December 1 of the year proceeding the year in which the election is scheduled to take place. Arrangements: The International President, with the assistance of the International Elections and Awards Committee, shall have general charge of the elections, including preparation, distribution and counting of ballots. In the event of one or more additional nominations for any office, voting shall be by written ballot.

*Jaci Margeson*

## 2007 OREGON LEGISLATION

Rod Bliss wants everyone to know that if they would like information on this subject that they can email him at [rod\\_bliss@co.washington.or.us](mailto:rod_bliss@co.washington.or.us) and he will be happy to send you updates.

# LOOKING AHEAD



## MAY 2007

May 11

Luncheon Meeting Ernesto's  
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May 11

AAA Building

9:00 am to 11:00 am

Escrows and Title Ins.

for Oregon & Washington

By Alan Brickley JD

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

De-mystifying Deeds

By Carol Judd SR/WA

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## JUNE 2007

June 8

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## JULY 2007

July 13

Luncheon Meeting Ernesto's

## AUGUST 2007

August 10

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## SEPTEMBER 2007

September 14

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September 26-27

SR/WA Review

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## OCTOBER 2007

October 12

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October 17-18

Environmental

One-day Seminar

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One-day Experience

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## NOVEMBER 2007

November 9

Annual Gen. Membership Mtg.

Election of 2008 Officers

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## DECEMBER 2007

Installation of 2008 Officers  
Holiday Celebration

If you have not been to the web site lately, you should really go and check out the new site. LaNae has done some wonderful things to it. Let's remember to thank her for her work on the web site. Also check your membership information and make sure it is accurate. If there is an error please contact LaNae, Marta, or Marty with the proper information and we will see to it that the error is corrected. We have mini seminars being scheduled for the remainder of the year so be sure and look for them.

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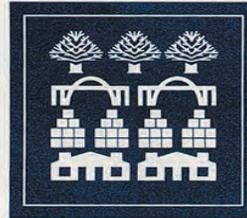
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*Thanks Marty*

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