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OREGON–SW WASHINGTON

August 8, 2008 – Chapter Lunch Meeting

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

*All members welcome. Ernesto's requests that we
not arrive until 10:30 AM

Ernesto's Italian Buffet
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Salad Bar, and
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SPEAKER: Dan Benson

TOPIC: R/W Appraisals: From a Reviewer's Perspective



**ELECTRONIC
MEETING
REMINDER**

Would you like an e-mail reminder for
the next chapter meeting??

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**Meal Reservations due
August 6, 2008**

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Dar Goss

**lost \$450 because he was not
present at the July meeting.**

Mike Deklyen won the consolation
prize of a free lunch.

Ernie Estes won the
Bob Jones Commemorative Free Lunch for
Bringing a Potential New Member





THE PREZ SEZ

The Good Ole' Summertime... gardens of weedin', lemonade, vacation fun time, sitting under a shady tree, watching a lazy river... flowers and butterflies, ants and grasshoppers... ANTS AND GRASSHOPPERS?! Well, that took all the fun away! I spotted a couple of grasshoppers last week and lucky for them, I couldn't find my ratty old tennis racket in time! They escaped into the neighbor's yard anyway.

While pondering this writing amid pleasant backyard moments this "hide 'n' seek" summer, interspersed with powdering armies of little ants' behinds, thoughts of Aesop's fabled characters also came into focus. "The Ant and the Grasshopper" and his other stories - all lessons we grew up with chock full of sound advice.

I believe Dan Benson is going share some of his thoughts and words on how- and how much the IRWA has directed or influenced his career. All positive, I'm sure, but in positively differing ways. When you stop and think about a professional association, many aspects come to mind: related disciplines, educational requirements and opportunities, future job growth or job security, networking, to name a few.

Networking. That's a word that is often laughed off, or used to demean an informational exchange of ideas, problem solving techniques, exchanging acquaintances by references to mask a social event. Au contraire! Networking is a pivotal factor in the right-of-way world. Not to say that there aren't individuals who can do it all - as a "one-man-shop". But they are more the exceptions, than the rule. Most of us have a specialty skill set and a generalized knowledge of the other disciplines. Try to complete all of

your current tasks by yourself without utilizing your network of associates and co-workers! Not a pleasant thought.

Using Aesop's Ant and Grasshopper as a summertime metaphor... and a segue to ask each of you (while enjoying grasshopper-ly summer moments) to consider being more ant-ly as summer fades into fall... because, before you know it, 2009 will be here! Chapter 3 will be needing several folks to fill in the ranks of some key positions in addition to Executive Board positions, or Chairs. Please also consider, perhaps backing up an officer or as a co-chair - there are opportunities to learn and serve. The benefits are tremendous as you more than double your network of associates - many of whom become lifelong "professional" friends!

In Austin, at the IRWA Conference, I ran into old friends I hadn't seen in 20-ish years - and made many new acquaintances because of them, whom I'll treasure, too! Work is work - but why not make it fun while you're at it - Getting more active with IRWA can definitely put some serious fun in your work lives!

TWO REMINDERS: The September 12th meeting will be in EUGENE at the EWEB Building; and, Thursday, December 4th, is the chapter's new-officer installation and dinner meeting. (Mark your calendars - it's at the Rheinlander, on Sandy Blvd., in Portland) Glenn Bridger will be installed as your 2009 President, and I'm sure he'd be thrilled by **Your** offer to join his team! It is not too early to inquire about duties, shadow, come to the board meetings - it only adds two hours per month. That is a small price for myriad career benefits!

Happy Summer! - Carol

Free Lunch – All SR/WA's & All New SR/WA and Certifications Candidates

That is right. October is designated as SR/WA Month. To celebrate, each current SR/WA member who attends the August or September meeting will receive a coupon good toward one free lunch at the October 2008 meeting.

Not an SR/WA? Not to worry. All you need to do is become a new candidate for the SR/WA or another IRWA certification before the October meeting and you too will eat free in October!

The SR/WA, The Senior Member, International Right of Way Association, is the most prestigious professional designation granted to IRWA members. Attaining it is one way to demonstrate your professionalism and expertise in our field. I congratulate all those who have committed the time, education, and effort necessary to accomplish this worthwhile designation.

I strongly encourage you to consider working towards your SR/WA, and to start by becoming a candidate now. Not only will you get a free lunch in October, you will be taking a positive step towards boosting your career opportunities and salary potential for the future.

Take a moment and visit the SR/WA website - www.irwaonline.org/ - to the left under Education, click on [Designation Program](#). You will be surprised at how much work you have already done towards your designation without even knowing it!



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Want to be An Instructor?

T-COEF (The Chapter's Own Education Foundation) provides tuition scholarships to an IRWA Instructor Clinic. For further details, contact [Pam Mason](#), Liaison to T-COEF, or see "Big Jim" Collins, T-COEF Trustee, at any Chapter meeting.



A Tip of the Beaver Hat

to **Leslie Finnigan (formerly Benckendorf)**, who found time in her busy schedule to [gasp!] get married! Our very best wishes, Leslie.

LOOKING AHEAD



AUGUST 2008

August 8
Chapter Meeting
Ernesto's
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SEPTEMBER 2008

September 12
Chapter Meeting
EWEB Building

IN EUGENE

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September 3-4

C-900

Principles of R/E Engineering
Portlander

Emmy.R.JENSON@ci.eugene.or.us

September 7-10

Regional R/W Conference
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
www.nwregionalrw.com

September 25-26

C-800

Principles of Real Estate Law
Portlander

MartysSpot@comcast.net

OCTOBER 2008

October 10
Chapter Meeting

Ernesto's
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October 14

C-600

Intro to Environmental Issues
Portlander

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October 15

Environmental Mini-Seminar
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NOVEMBER 2008

November 14

Chapter Meeting
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DECEMBER 2008

December 3-4

C-501

Relocation Assistance
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December 4

Chapter 3 Holiday Meeting
Past President's Night
Officer Installation

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JANUARY 2009

January 9

Chapter Meeting
Ernesto's

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January ??

Coordinators' Training
Woodburn Library

Carol.K.Judd@state.or.us

Coordinators Take Courses Free

The rules have changed,
but it's still possible to take
a course free. Contact [Jaci
Margeson](mailto:Jaci.Margeson) for all the details.

or

Host A Course Get a Free Tuition

T-COEF offers a full tuition
scholarship to any member
whocanarrangeafreemeeting
room for a Chapter 3 course.

Contact [Pam Mason](mailto:Pam.Mason)
for an application.

REMINDER: NEW COURSE PROCEDURE

We can no longer hold courses open
until the day before the course.

We can no longer hold courses with just 8-9 registrants.

Registrations must be received 4 weeks before the course.

Courses will be cancelled if there are not sufficient registrations
4 weeks ahead of course date.

Chapter 3 apologizes for any inconvenience
caused by this change in policy.



Register Early
if you plan to attend either of the courses
on the following pages.

BEAVER STATE CHAPTER 3

COURSE 900

Principles of R/W Engineering

September 3-4, 2008

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Designed for the non-engineer, this introductory course is also a valuable refresher for experienced agents. Students will learn to use tools such as an engineering scale and protractor; they will be taught basic skills in reading and interpreting engineering plans and how to read, understand, and plot simple legal descriptions. An engineering scale, protractor, straight edge and triangle will be provided. **Bring your own mechanical pencil and calculator.**

Principles of Right of Way Textbook is mandatory for this course. The text is NOT included in tuition fee and must be purchased separately (www.irwaonline.org). Figures and page numbers in the course manual are tied in with figures and pages in the Principles of Right of Way Textbook.

INSTRUCTOR

Joachim Pestinger, SR/WA, is principal partner in A Better Way—Mediation and has 30+ years of experience in the r/w field. The retired Director of Real Estate, WS DOT, Joe set policy and oversaw all facets of state r/w programs as well as other state and local public agencies. He has served on IRWA's International Transportation, Property Management and Education Committees and is lead author of IRWA's revised Land Titles & Intro to Property Management courses. Joe is qualified as an expert valuation witness for Washington State Superior courts.

REGISTRATION

Register ONLY to Course Registrar, as shown below. Advance payment not required. You will receive a confirmation if you provide an email address. **\$25 late fee for registration on day of course (full course materials may not be available).**

New Policy: course will be cancelled if there are too few registrants 30 days before start date! Please register early.

CANCELLATION

Written cancellation notice required. Full refund if received by Course Registrar 15 days before start of course. 75% refund if received less than 15 days before start of course. No refund after start of course, but your printed course materials will be available upon request.

LOCATION

Portlander Inn & Marketplace
10350 N. Vancouver Way
Portland, OR 08217
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www.portlanderinn.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

contact facility directly; mention IRWA

**For course information, contact Coordinator Emmy Jenson
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or form and mail to
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COURSE 800

Principles of R/E Law

September 25-26, 2008

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Principles of Real Estate Law is designed to build on the basics of real estate law provided by Course 100 - Principles of Land Acquisition - and to assist right of way agents in collaborating with property owners and attorneys on the subjects of: contract law, specific contracts relating to real estate, tort law, specific torts relating to real estate, land use controls and environmental matters and the laws applicable to condominiums and common ownership communities. This introductory level course provides novice employees basic right of way information, and experienced employees a broader perspective on legal issues and applicable law.

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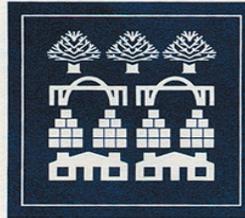
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