

The Carolinas' Courier



International Right of Way Association - Carolinas Chapter 31

SUMMER SEMINAR 2017

The next Chapter 31 Meeting will be held on August 25, 2017 at the Hyatt House Charlotte Center City



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DATE: Friday, August 25, 2017

LOCATION:

Hyatt House Charlotte Center City
405 East Trade Street
Charlotte, NC

SCHEDULE:

7:30 A.M.—8:00 A.M.	Registration
8:00 A.M.—8:30 A.M.	Welcome/Announcements/Sponsor Introductions
8:30 A.M.—8:40 A.M.	~~Break~~
	Presentations
8:40 A.M.—9:30 A.M.	FIMAN: NC's Flood Warning System—Ground Truthing of Hurricane Matthew David Key, PE, CFM-Director, Water Resources & GIS, ESP & Associates
9:30 A.M.—9:40 A.M.	~~Break~~
9:40 A.M.—10:30 A.M.	An Overview of Drone Use Today John Gibbs—Founder The Drone Co. Raleigh Walter Lappert—Co-Founder & CTO, Lappert Smith Industries
10:30 A.M.—10:40 A.M.	~~Break~~
10:40 A.M.—11:30 A.M.	Disposal of Surplus Property—A Roadmap to establishing Effective Surplus Property Procedures Jim Prossick, SR/WA, R/W-AC, R/W-RAC-VP Real Estate Ser. HDR, Inc.
11:30 A.M.—11:40 A.M.	~~Break~~
11:40 A.M.—12:30 P.M.	Online Marketing for Disposal of Surplus Property Hanna Bromberger—Asset Manager, City of Charlotte Tim O'Brien, SR/WA—Asset Manager, City of Charlotte
12:40 P.M.—1:20 P.M.	LUNCH—Hyatt House Charlotte Center City
1:20 P.M.—2:30 P.M.	Chapter Business Meeting

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Well, it is already mid-summer which means two things. First, it's hot in the Carolinas. Second, it's a new year for Chapter 31. I am excited for the potential of our Chapter for the upcoming year, and can't wait to get started. NOW IS THE TIME TO GET INVOLVED! I'll get back to that in a minute, but first I wanted to talk about Alaska (just saying "Alaska" out loud cools you down a little bit).

We had a large contingent of members at the 2017 Annual Education Conference in Anchorage in June in support of Chapter 31's bid to host the 2022 Conference in Charlotte. Everyone wore our Charlotte 2022 shirts and helped man our booth. Other contenders were Denver and Cleveland. Unfortunately, despite our best efforts, Cleveland won the vote and will host the 2022 Conference. Thanks again to all of our Conference Committee Members, and especially to Julie McDonald and Bill Christian who put in a lot of hours as Committee Chairs. We couldn't have done it without you both. Also, thank you to our Charlotte 2022 racing shirt sponsors: Chase Real Estate Services, Contract Land Staff, HDR, OR Colan, Percheron, Smith Anderson Law Firm, TELICS, and Tidemark Services.

I encourage everyone who has never been to a Conference to try and get to one. Not only do you get to visit a city you

may not get to otherwise, but you'll also have the opportunity to meet and interact with hundreds of other Right of Way professionals just like yourself, as well as take classes on Right of Way and leadership topics you have interest in. Imagine being around a thousand people and not having to try and explain what you do for a living! The next several Conference locations are: Edmonton (2018), Portland (2019), Minneapolis (2020), San Antonio (2021), and Cleveland (2022)...start formulating your plans now!

Getting back to the GETTING INVOLVED part I mentioned earlier:

We had a well-attended board meeting in Charlotte, and came away from the meeting with some new committees and new committee chairs. Kevin Muldowney is our new Membership Chair, Neil Burleson is now Chair of the Professional Development Committee, Sarah Lutz is Chair of the newly formed Sponsorship Committee, and Jamonica Facyson is Chair of the new Communications Committee. Thanks to all of our new and continuing committee chairs for your ongoing support and involvement in the Chapter.

My focus for this year will be to increase INVOLVEMENT. In any volunteer organization, having enough volunteers is always a challenge. Our chapter is fortunate to have a lot of members who have been involved for a long time. We

can't rest on those laurels, though. GETTING INVOLVED doesn't have to mean becoming a committee chairperson, or becoming an officer. GETTING INVOLVED can mean helping out on a committee for one hour a month. Or it can mean more that...whatever you can contribute will help.

As we have all probably been told at one time in our lives: You Get Out Of It What You Put In. Want to get more out of IRWA? Please consider taking a small step and helping out on a committee, helping to check people in before our seminars, suggesting a speaker for an upcoming meeting, coming to a business meeting and providing some input, or anything else that will help keep the Chapter strong. Your Chapter will thank you, and you will get even more value out of your IRWA investment!

Steps off of soapbox

It seems like forever ago, but our joint Chapter 31 Spring Seminar and Asset Management Symposium went well. We featured asset management topics and I think the seminar definitely had an asset management theme, which isn't always a focal point for our presenters. The Asset Management Community of Practice was specifically directed to Chapter 31 to partner up for this joint meeting. This is a testament to the strength of our Chapter and I'm sure we'll continue to have other opportunities like this in the future.



Jason Bloch

Also at that meeting, Chapter officers were elected for the upcoming year. Congratulations to our 2017/18 Chapter officers: Vice President - Anthony Alderman, Treasurer - Steve Chastain, Secretary - John Palmer, 1-year Director - Matt Rhoad, and myself as your humble President. Here's to a great year!

Just a few Chapter updates:

Anthony has spent a lot of time working with our new website provider to streamline the look and functionality of our website. This should also make registering for events much easier. As soon as the new design is ready we'll let everyone know.

The YP "program" continues to be a focal point for IRWA. Our YP folks will be meeting this August in conjunction with the regular Chapter meeting, and I think we can all expect great things from them this year. (No pressure, YPs).

Our next meeting is in Charlotte in August. Please watch your emails for notifications on the seminar events. And, if you want to GET INVOLVED but don't know how, or who to talk to, or what you can do to help, feel free to email me at jbloch@telics.com. We can figure out what would be a good fit.

See you in Charlotte!

Jason Bloch, President



CHAPTER 31 SPRING SOCIAL & SEMINAR

August 23-25, 2017, Charlotte, NC



Hyatt House - Charlotte Center City

405 East Trade Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

Charlottecentercity.house.hyatt.com

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IRWA Room Rate: \$139.00 plus taxes, pending room availability.
(actual room rate \$149 plus taxes—IRWA covering \$10 per room)

Call Hyatt House at 1-866-974-9288 to make reservations.

Room reservations must be made by **Wednesday, August 2, 2017** to ensure this rate.

Phone reservations: **866-974-9288**

Schedule of Events:

- Wednesday, Aug 23rd:** C-218 (R/W Acquisition for Electrical Transmission Projects) - Da
- Thursday, Aug 24th:** C-218 (R/W Acquisition for Electrical Transmission Projects) - Da
Young Professionals at Blackfinn Ameripub
Networking Social at Blackfinn Ameripub
- Friday, April 28th:** Chapter 31 Spring Seminar & Asset Management Symposium
(4 hours of CEU - pending)

REGISTRATION INFO

Register and pay for all events on the Chapter 31 website:

www.irwa31.com

(Click on the 2017 Summer Seminar to register and pay)

Thursday Social at **Blackfinn Ameripub** is: **\$15 per person.**

Friday Seminar (including lunch) is: **\$40 per person.**

Make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel:

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Chapter 31 Fall Social and Seminar Sponsors:





CHAPTER 31 FALL SOCIAL AND SEMINAR

August 23-25, 2017 - Charlotte NC



AGENDA

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, AUGUST 23-24 - EDUCATION & SOCIAL

Wednesday & Thursday, August 23-24

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Course 218 (R/W Acquisition for Electrical Trans. Projects)**
(2 day course)
Hyatt house - Charlotte Center City

Thursday, August 24

5:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. **Young Professionals Group**
Blackfinn Ameripub

6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m. **Networking Social and Hospitality**
Blackfinn Ameripub

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25 - CHAPTER 31 SEMINAR

Friday, August 25

Hyatt House - Charlotte Center City

7:30a.m.— 8:00a.m. **Registration**
8:00a.m. — 8:30a.m. **Welcome/Announcements/Sponsor Introductions**
8:30a.m. — 8:40a.m. **~~ Break ~~**

Presentations

8:40a.m. - 9:30a.m. ***NC/SC State Line Clarification***
Frank A. Rankin, II, PE, PLS

9:30a.m. - 9:40a.m. **~~ Break ~~**

9:40a.m. – 10:30a.m. ***Playing Well Together: How Utility Companies and NCDOT utility easements differ and the practical issues that arise for R/W Professionals (Part 1)***
Grant A. Whitney - Parker Poe and Heather Fulghum—NCDOT

10:30a.m. - 10:40a.m. **~~ Break ~~**

10:40a.m. - 11:30a.m. ***Playing Well Together: How Utility Companies and NCDOT utility easements differ and the practical issues that arise for R/W Professionals (Part 2)***
Grant A. Whitney - Parker Poe and Heather Fulghum—NCDOT

11:30a.m. - 11:40a.m. **~~ Break ~~**

Young Professionals Break Out for YP Meeting

11:40a.m. - 12:30p.m. **TBD**
Matthew D. Rhoad—Smith Anderson

12:40p.m. - 1:20p.m. **LUNCH**

1:20p.m. - 2:30p.m. **Chapter 31 Business Meeting**

HOTEL INFORMATION

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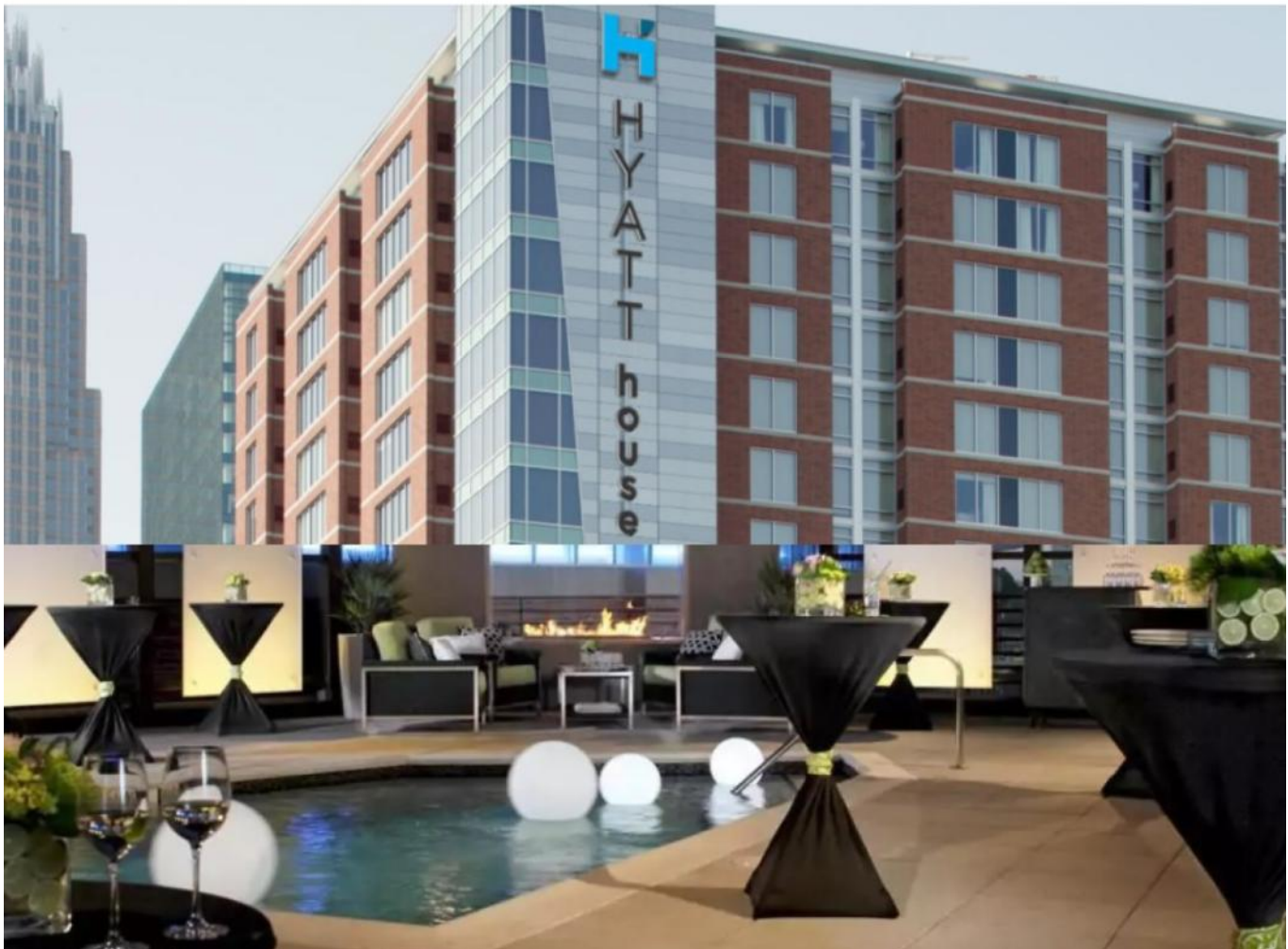
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Rate includes continental breakfast.

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Reservations:

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EDUCATION

C218 - R/W Acquisition for Electrical Transmission Projects

When: Wednesday and Thursday, August 23-24, 2017 (2-day course)
8:00am—5:00pm each day
Where: Hyatt house - Charlotte Center City
210 East Trade Street, Charlotte, NC
866-974-4983

Space is limited. Register before Aug 2 to avoid a late registration fee.

Two ways to register:

1. International IRWA website, www.irwaonline.org

2. Contact the course coordinator:

Holly Whitley-Cataldo

704-338-6776

holly.whitley-cataldo@hdrinc.com



NETWORKING SOCIAL

Thursday Night Networking Social

When: Thursday, August 24th, 6 - 8pm
Where: *Blackfinn Ameripub at the Epicenter*
(across the street from hotel)
210 East Trade Street
Charlotte, NC 28202
(704) 971-2590
Cost: \$15

Register before August 18, 2017 for head count purposes.

[Register at www.IRWA31.com](http://www.IRWA31.com)

THANK YOU ANCHORAGE!



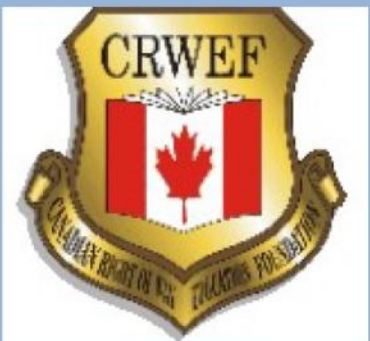
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To our hosts, our gracious sponsors, all the volunteers that worked so hard to make this a successful conference, and you, the IRWA members that traveled far, we are most grateful. This year the RWIEF and CRWEF received more than \$85,000 in donations and pledges for funding right of way education initiatives!!

This success would not be possible without your on-going support of quality right of way education. Thank you for your continued commitment to the IRWA, the Foundations and to cutting edge training for our profession.



Chapter 31 Comes Up Short on Votes!!!

Carolinas Chapter 31 went to this year's IRWA Educational Conference in Anchorage Alaska vying to bring the Conference to Charlotte again for 2022. We last hosted the annual affair in Charlotte in 1992 when the format and Chapter responsibilities were much different. After hearing from so many about how successful and fun that year was we decided that it was about time for that to happen again. Our Chapter has grown in recent years to be one of the largest and most active in our association. We thought the timing was right for a 30-year anniversary.

Unlike our competition we have expressed low key interest in recent years and tested the waters mildly in Nashville with our blue bracelets. Denver and Cleveland have been making significant investments toward their bids. We knew the competition would be strong compared with many years. "Charlotte's Got a Lot"...and we knew the Carolinas offered so much more. Come watch our video presentation at our Summer Chapter meeting in Charlotte.



When it came time for the Board to vote we expected a run-off vote since typically no one gets more than half the vote when three or more are competing. Denver Chapter 6 and Carolinas Chapter 31 were shocked when Ohio Chapter 13 received almost 2/3 of the initial vote leaving us far behind but close to each other. We're unsure of the rationale for such overwhelming support for Cleveland. Was it the lower room rate, the free venue for the Monday Night event at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, a higher level of enthusiasm or just that it had been 50 years since last going to Cleveland?

Nevertheless, we raised the profile of the Carolinas and received a lot of compliments regarding our efforts. Our Chapter and Region volunteers made us proud as we were recognizable by our shirts, our hospitality, and our numbers in Alaska. We have already been asked would we try again. Fortunately, we'll have some time to consider as IRWA will now move to a three-year cycle for these decisions instead of our former five-year cycle. This means the host for 2023 will not be decided until the conference in 2020.

Bill Christian, SR/WA

Julie McDonald, PLS, PE

2020 Conference Host Co-Chairs





THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

BY JOHN C. PALMER

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The Spring Seminar and business meeting were held on April 28, 2017 at the Hyatt House in Raleigh/North Hills, NC and was well attended. The meeting was called to order by Matt Rhode at 8:10 am.

Attendees were welcomed and announcements were made.

Thank you to HDR, Percheron, Contract Land Staff, Smith Anderson and ORC for sponsoring the Thursday evening social and Friday's lunch.

Minutes from the Winter Meeting and Seminar held February 24, 2017 in Columbia, SC were approved.

Secretary's Report

Please see the Treasurer's section of the newsletter for details.

Old Business

- The 2022 conference bid update was discussed in the morning session and all of those who worked on the project were thanked for their time and input. More information to follow.
- Updated about the website.

New Business

- YP restructuring.
- Instating new officers.
- Board meeting will be Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at Parker Poe.

*REMINDER: Business meetings are open to ALL Chapter membership! You don't need to be an officer or committee chairperson to attend. Please consider staying after lunch next time to learn more about your Chapter and to be eligible to win a \$50 gift card!

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Palmer

Secretary, IRWA Carolinas Chapter 31



MEMBERSHIP REPORT



TREASURER'S REPORT

Report created on 07/21/2017

07/01/16-6/30/2017

Profit & Loss

Income: \$65,154.62

Expense: \$90,662.40

Net: (\$25,507.78)

Balance Sheet

Checking: \$880.79

Savings: \$34,486.13

TOTAL: \$35,366.92

Transferred Out	1
New Members 4th Quarter	13
Total Membership as of July 18, 2017	272

WELCOME!! New Members

Jose Martin (O.R. Colan)

Zach Huett

William Steven Burgess, Jr. (Percheron, LLC)

James Chapman (HDR, Inc.)

Matthew N. Foster

Veronica L. Bojko (Stewart)

Neil Jones (Atwell)

Melanie Leach (City of Raleigh)

Alan W. Myrick (Scana)

Shelby Jean Randall (Professional Property Services, Inc.)

Leisa M. Sossamon (City of Charlotte)

Michael Thelen (Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice, LLP)

Harold Phillip Ward (Integra Realty Resources)

*Interested in becoming a member?

Go to www.irwa31.com and click on the membership tab.

Or email kmmuldowney@vaughnmelton.com for more information.





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Valid only between Monday, July 24, 2017 through Sunday, August 6, 2017.

No promo code necessary! All prices on IRWA University will be automatically discounted to reflect the \$100 off summer sale.

To take advantage of this promotion, please follow the steps below:

1. Go to irwauniversity.org and choose any of the "OnDemand" or "VEIT" courses from your IRWA University account.
2. Add the online course to your cart after you login to your account and the discounted price will already be reflected after you click "Check Out."
3. Enter your credit card information and click the "Purchase" button.

*Please note: Courses must be purchased before the expiration date above to receive the discount. Refunds will not be applied. All online courses must be completed within one year of the date of purchase.



Did you know???

RELOCATION CORNER

DID YOU KNOW???

Question: In areas where houses sell for a premium over the list price, can the relocation agent adjust the relocation housing payment to account for this premium?

Answer: The regulation does not call for adjusting the asking price, either upward or downward. The regulation does say the comparable must be available. If a comparable is not available for the amount calculated, a new calculation may be in order.

DID YOU KNOW???

Question: Can the required early notice be provided at a public meeting? When is the best time to give this notice?

Answer: No. When property is to be acquired, each owner should be notified in such a way that an administrative record exists to attest to the delivery to the owner. There is no assurance when using a public meeting that all affected owners will be present and each owner is due the courtesy of receiving a timely notice of the agency’s intent. The notice should be provided as early as possible, when it is known a property interest will be acquired, and no later than when the appraisal or waiver valuation assignments are made.

For more information, contact Anne Regan: aregan@thcinc.net and Stephanie Bloch: stephanie-bloch@telics.com

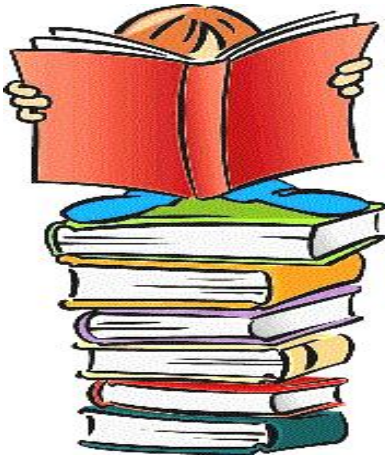
**Save
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Date**



2017 Fall Social at Al Oswald’s Low
Country Boil—October 19, 2017—
6pm to 8 pm

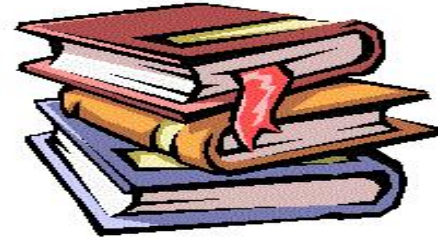
2017 Fall Seminar at the Charleston
Resort and Marina—Oct. 20, 2017





Education Corner

by Holly Whitley-Cataldo



UPCOMING Chapter 31 IRWA Courses!!!

(*Registration is live for the following courses)

C-218-Right of Way Acquisition for Electrical Transmission Projects*
August 23-24, 2017 in Charlotte, NC

C100 Principles of Land Acquisition*
September 11-14, 2017 in Moncks Corner, SC

C104 Standards of Practice for the Right of Way Professional is scheduled to be offered in October in Charleston, SC. This will be a 1 day course.

I am always open to suggestions or questions regarding the courses, so please contact me at holly.whitley-cataldo@hdrinc.com



“The **IRWA Young Professionals** Network is focused on building a strong foundation for the next generation of Right of Way Professionals. Ethics, education and encouragement are the nucleus of our organization. Be a part of the initiative!

To find out more and join the mailing list, please contact Bonnie Blalock at bonnie-blalock@duke-energy.com,



IRWA CHAPTER 31 TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE SURVEY!

Do you have a transportation focus?

Have ideas for the Transportation Committee?

Take this quick survey to share your thoughts!

"The following survey is designed to identify and address the interests of Chapter 31's transportation practitioners. Please take a few moments (37 seconds to be exact) to complete it. You can also see real-time survey results after you are done. Happy surveying!"

-Gregory Lee, MAI, SRA, AL-GRS, SR/WA

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/blbl19k>

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Scholarship Program



The world of Infrastructure Real Estate needs certified professionals able to tackle the challenges of today's projects. And the IRWA is here to help!

The International Right of Way Association welcomes applicants to apply for a Right of Way Scholarship, made possible by the Right of Way International Education Foundation.

Click [here](#) for more information and a copy of the scholarship application.

Application deadline is September 30, 2017.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Save these dates!



	Winter Seminar Q1	Region 6 Spring Forum	Spring Seminar Q2	Annual Chapter 31 BOD Meeting	International Conference	Summer Seminar Q3	Region 6 Fall Forum	Fall Seminar Q4
2017	Columbia, SC Feb. 24, 2017	Georgia April 2017	Raleigh, NC April 28, 2017	Charlotte, NC Week of May 9	Anchorage, AK June 11-14, 2017	Charlotte, NC Aug 24-25 2017	Gulf Shores AL Oct 12-13 2017	Charleston, SC Oct 19-20, 2017
2018	Greensboro, NC Feb. 8-9, 2018	Myrtle Beach, SC April 2018	Myrtle Beach, SC April 2018	Charlotte, NC May 2018	Edmonton, AB June 24-27, 2018	Asheville NC August 2018	Savannah, GA August 2018	Charleston, SC October 2018
2019	Wilmington, NC Feb. 24, 2019	TBD	Columbia, SC April 2019	Charlotte, NC May 2019	Portland, OR June 9-12, 2019	Greenville, NC August 2019	TBD	Charleston, SC October 2019
2020	Myrtle Beach, SC Feb. 24, 2020	TBD	Raleigh, NC April 2020	TBD	Minneapolis, MN June 21-24, 2020	Waynesville, NC August 2020	TBD	Charleston, SC October 2020
2021	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	San Antonio, TX June 24-27, 2021	TBD	TBD	TBD
2022	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	Cleveland, OH June 2022	TBD	TBD	TBD



IMPORTANT DATES FOR FALL 2017 NEWSLETTER

Newsletter Advertisements due **September 6**
 Payment for Advertisements due by **September 13**
 Newsletter Contributions due by **September 13**
 Newsletter will be posted by **September 20**

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Steve Chastain

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