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INTERNATIONAL RIGHT OF WAY ASSOCIATION - CAROLINAS CHAPTER 31



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Letter from President John Yeagley

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far. This rainy weather has been crazy but I think it is about over and the summer heat is about to arrive. For you power boys, it's time to make hay!

As I begin my term as President, I would like to start by saying thank you to all of our members!!! Without the active participation by all of you, this chapter would not be where it is today. The Chapter is continuing to grow because of the efforts of our members informing others in the profession what value it is to be a member of this fine association. The Board met in May and discussed seminar location for the coming years. We plan to continue to have Thursday night socials before the Friday Seminar that will be held at exciting locations so that we can join together and continue to build a strong Chapter. This coming event at the Greensboro Grasshopper baseball game is another example of that. The costs to attend these events are very reasonable with the help of our many generous sponsors. If your company is interested in sponsoring a Thursday night social or Friday Seminar lunch please contact Julie McDonald, the current vice president. She will be happy to explain the sponsorship opportunities we have.

In June I had the pleasure of attending the International Education Conference held in Charleston, West Virginia. It was great to see so many of our Chapter members at the Conference. I think we had close to 40 members there!!! If you ever have a chance to go, it is a great place to hear some great motivational speakers, learn about the latest news in the profession and network with others in the industry. Chapter 31 was very well represented. In West Virginia, the Chapter also formally announced that it was going to donate \$5,000.00 to the Right of Way International Education Foundation. The Foundation has the primary purpose of funding right of way education initiatives. They are constantly working to improve the courses offered by the Asso-



ciation. They are also a very important part of making sure the IRWA courses up to date and relevant. The foundation is run by a Board of Trustees and our own Angel Banks was introduced as a New Board member at the conference. Congratulations Angel!!!

As your President I plan to continue to work with the Board to make sure we have speakers that cover a wide range of relevant right of way topics at the seminars. With that in mind, I am calling on all of our members to contact me or Julie if you have a speaker idea or know of a speaker that you think the group would enjoy. I think the best programs we have had are from recommendations from members. I also want to find creative ways to get members more involved and stay after lunch at the seminars to listen to the general business of the chapter. I am asking you to please stay around another hour after lunch and listen to the general business meeting. We are always glad to see new faces and receive comments from the membership. This is your association and we want everyone to participate.

I am looking forward to an exciting year as your leader. Please feel free to contact me anytime if there is anything you would like to discuss about the Chapter. I am here to listen and serve. Hope to see everyone at the baseball game in Greensboro.

Johan Yeagley

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SUMMER SEMINAR, GREENSBORO, NC

AUGUST 23, 2013 at:

Duke Energy's Fairfax Operations Center Auditorium

2500 Fairfax Road Greensboro, NC 27407 336-706-5229

Hotel: Courtyard Greensboro

4400 West Wendover Avenue Greensboro, NC 27407

Room Rate: \$90.00 plus taxes

Please book thru website or email link. Ask for the **IRWA** rate. Or click the link below:

Reservations must be made by July 24, 2013 to secure this rate.



Spring Seminar Hospitality and Networking event

At Greensboro Grasshopper's Baseball game

408 Bellemeade Street Greensboro, NC 27401

336-333-2287

Thursday, August 22, 2013- 6:00pm - 9:30pm



Thursday Hospitality (including game food) **\$10 per person** # attending _____

Friday Seminar (including lunch) **\$30 per person** # attending _____

Name _____ Phone: _____

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Street / P.O. Box _____

City _____

Guest(s) Name(s): _____

Guest's Company: _____

Mail this form along with registration fee(s) (Payable to IRWA Chapter 31)

Or register online at our Chapter website: www.irwa31.com

By Friday, July 26 to

Julie McDonald

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SUMMER SEMINAR – August 25, 2013

Duke Energy’s Fairfax Operations Center Auditorium

2500 Fairfax Road Greensboro, NC 27407

336-706-5229

Thursday, August 22

NETWORKING & HOSPITALITY

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

GREENSBORO GRASSHOPPERS BASEBALL

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Friday, August 25

QUARTERLY SEMINAR

Duke Energy’s Fairfax Operations Center Auditorium

7:30a.m.– 8:00a.m.

Summer Seminar Registration

8:00a.m. – 8:30a.m.

PDC / IRWA RWIEF Education Chats

Bobby and Angel

8:30a.m. – 8:40a.m.

~Break~

8:40a.m.—9:30a.m.

I-85 Bridge/Yadkin River Project

Pat Ivey – NCDOT

9:40a.m. – 10:30a.m.

“Why I love the bomb & why we shouldn’t nuke N. Korea!!!”

Dennis Rodman

10:40a.m. – 11:30a.m.

NCDOT Construction Project Prioritizing

Florence Green, SRWA-RW-RAC - Asst. R/W Manager, NCDOT

11:40a.m. – 12:30p.m.

Railroad Rights-of-Way and Abandonments

Jeff Bandini—Parker Poe

12:30p.m. – 1:30p.m.

~LUNCH~

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1:30 p.m. – until

Chapter 31 Board of Directors and Chapter Business Meeting

Carolinas Chapter 31

International Right of Way Association

2013-14 Leadership Directory

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Thursday Night's Ballgame and snacks will only cost you \$10...that's ten dineros, 10 (ten) smackeroonies, a ten spot, one Alexander (H.), one-half of twenty bucks, two fins. OK? So, doan go getting no udder ideas! Eh?



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Chapter 31 Schtuff

Some Trivia Pour Vous

Our budget is not trivial, but here it is in a different way.

More Budgety Schtuff



2013 - 2014 BUDGET

INCOME					
	Quarterly Projections				Total Income
	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Winter 2014	Spring 2014	
Membership Dues	0	0	0	6,000	\$6,000
Seminar registrations	1200	1800	1200	1500	\$5,700
Educational Course Registrations	6250	6250	6250	6250	\$25,000
Online Education Income (Honorarium)	2000	2000	2000	2000	\$8,000
Sponsorships, Advertising	1250	1250	1250	1250	\$5,000
Interest (net of taxes withheld)	100	100	100	100	\$400
BUDGETED INCOME:	\$ 10,800	\$ 11,400	\$ 10,800	\$ 17,100	\$ 50,100

EXPENSES					
	Quarterly Projections				Total Expenses
	Summer 2013	Fall 2013	Winter 2014	Spring 2014	
Seminar Costs	4000	4000	4000	4000	\$16,000
Educational Course Costs	4500	4500	4500	4500	\$18,000
Travel & Conference Reimbursements	1500	1500	1500	1500	\$6,000
Administrative & Miscellaneous	450	450	450	450	\$1,800
Chapter Development	500	500	500	500	\$2,000
Region 6 Dues	500	0	0	0	\$500
RWIEF Donation	5000	0	0	0	\$5,000
BUDGETED EXPENSES:	\$ 16,450	\$ 10,950	\$ 10,950	\$ 10,950	\$ 49,300

NET CASH FLOW:					
	\$ (5,650)	\$ 450	\$ (150)	\$ 6,150	\$ 800



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

CAROLINAS CHAPTER 31

March 2013—July 2013

Allover, Carolina

Total Membership as of Sept. 28, 2012	230
New Members	+15
Total Membership as of December 30, 2012	245*

* Based on the most current Rooster

New Members

Gerald M. Turbyfill, Sr. Telics	Tanya L. Houser Duke Energy	John C. Gibson, PLS Dewberry
Gregory H. Lee NCDOT	Charice H. Muckelvene Percheron Field Svcs	Stanley Biggs Fisher & Arnold, Inc.
Jerry E. Williamson Duke	Peter W. Varvaris Telics	John C. Nix Matrix East, PLLC
Holly N. Whitley-Cataldo HDR	David M. Bailey Telics	Tyler J. Cote Telics
Edward L. Brooks Telics	Valerie Sergi HNTB	Tony F. Korolos City of Charlotte

Holy Mackerel, that's a lot of new people!

Way to go team.

Welcome !

We look forward to having y'all in our Chapter.

Attention members and those applying for membership to Chapter 31 – Please email your membership application form to: irwaonline.org

Or—email kdkilpatrick@vaughnmelton.com for info!

HERE ARE SOME
NUMBERS FROM OUR
TREASURER OF
WHICH YOU MAY
HAVE SOME
INTEREST

Chapter 31 Reconcile Report for CASH & BANK: Savings -Wells Fargo

Report created on 07/15/2013

Summary

Net Assets
\$69,594.07

2nd Quarter Income
\$28,320.34

2nd Quarter Expenses
\$18,193.75

2nd Quarter Net Operating Income
\$10,126.59

Chapter 31 Reconcile Re- port for: Checking -Wells Fargo

Report created on 03/15/2013

Summary

Opening Balance
19,320.99

Net Operating Income
2,623.22

Register Balance as of Statement
21,944.21

Register Balance as of Reconcile
21,944.21

Hear Ye, Hear Ye



Congratulations to James Bridge on receiving his SR/WA from IRWA President Pat Petitto.

Way to go Jimbo!



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	1st Quarter Winter Seminar	Region Spring Forum	2nd Quarter Spring Seminar	Annual Board Meeting	International Education Conference	3rd Quarter Summer Seminar	Region Fall Fo- rum	4th Quarter Fall Semi- nar
2013						Greensboro, Aug 23, 2013— Course 603 on 8-22	Tampa/ St.Pete October 5, 2013	Course 703 in Colum- bia 10-8. Charleston SC Oct 25,
2014	Myrtle Beach Feb 21,2014	Who/ what is that? ↓	Asheville, April 25, 2014	Charlotte May 16, 2014	Hartford, CT June 22-25 2014	Charlotte, NC August 22,2014	Chapter to Host Re- gion 6 meeting in Charles- ton,SC	Charleston SC October 24,2014
2015	Columbia, SC Feb 20, 2015		Raleigh, NC April, 24 2015	Charlotte May 22, 2015	San Diego, CA June14- 17, 2015	Hickory, NC August 21, 2015		Charleston, SC Octo- ber 23, 2015
2016	Greenville, SC Feb 19, 2016		Durham NC April 22,2016	Charlotte- May 20, 2016	Nashville, TN June 12- 15, 2016	Charlotte, NC August 19, 2016		Myrtle Beach, SC October 21, 2016 Page 7

The Education Corner

by Clark Hooper or Kent Winslow and/or MR. PDC, Bobby Deal

Ruh Roh.....

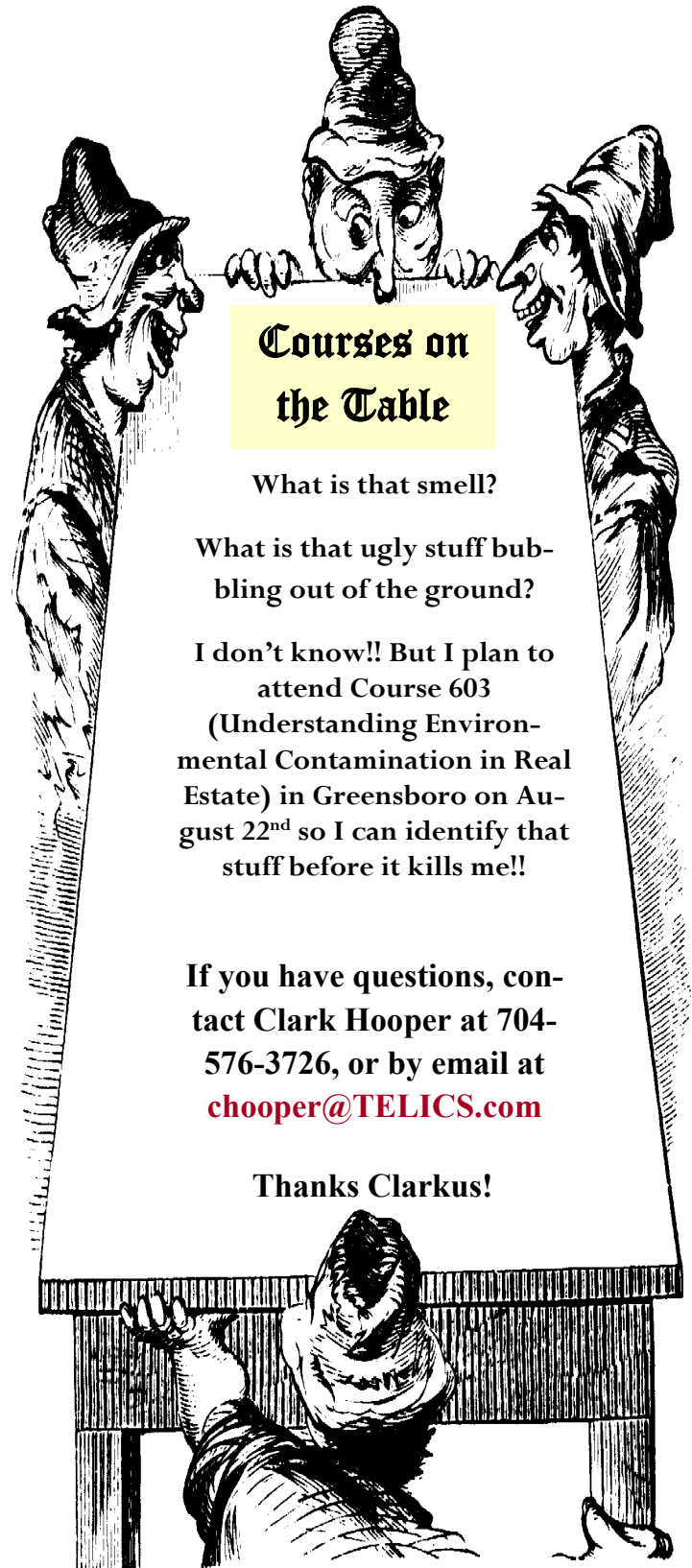
You are too late to sign up! NO wait, you're not. Let's try this again.

We had a good turnout for Course 103 (Ethics and The Right of Way Profession) with Facilitator Allen Armstrong. Twenty Six people attended the class, taking advantage of a significant discount. We had a good time touring the NASCAR Hall of Fame also!!

Course 802 (Legal Aspects of Easements) was a great success. We were hosted by SCDOT and enjoyed their hospitality. As usual, Allen Armstrong did an excellent job as Course Facilitator.

We look forward to being in Columbia with the SCDOT again in October when we offer Course 703 – Real Property Asset Management.

The North Carolina DOT IRWA training program for 2013 is not finalized at this time. As soon as it is available, we will pass along the information.



Courses on the Table

What is that smell?

What is that ugly stuff bubbling out of the ground?

I don't know!! But I plan to attend Course 603 (Understanding Environmental Contamination in Real Estate) in Greensboro on August 22nd so I can identify that stuff before it kills me!!

If you have questions, contact Clark Hooper at 704-576-3726, or by email at chooper@TELICS.com

Thanks Clarkus!



THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

BY OTTIS "BUSTER" ALLEN, PHD

CHAPTER 31

Annual Board of Directors' Meeting

Friday, May 17, 2013

The meeting was held at the McKim and Creed offices located at 8020 Tower Point Drive, Charlotte, NC. The meeting was called to order by President John Yeagley on Friday, May 17, 2013 at 10:22 a.m. Roll was taken by Secretary Buster Allen.

Minutes for Spring Seminar were reviewed, a few updates were noted, and there will not be an auction at the conference in West Virginia this year so our \$500 donation to the auction will not be made at this time. Buzz won a drawing for the free registration but Buzz transferred it to Dan Rushing.

Membership Report:

Membership has increased by 15 people this year. We now have 245 members.

Presidents Call:

"The We Want You Back" campaign will start soon which encourages members that have let their membership lapse to rejoin without paying the \$50 reinstatement fee.

Last year we achieved the membership growth but did not send in our quarterly reports as required by International to receive those free memberships

Education:

We completed 3 courses this year and we have 4 more planned this year, 2 with SCDOT in Columbia, SC. Schedule for the next 2 years are tentative with Education and PDC working together to bring classes which will enable our members to work towards their chosen career path.

PDC:

New designations are Right of Way Agent, Associate Right of Way Professional, Right of Way Professional and SR/WA. Non-members can work toward their certifications but can't complete their certification until they become members.

John Yeagley suggested a tie in to the committees with the quarterly seminars which focus on a couple of committees during the business portion of the meeting like Asset Management and Education or Utilities and PDC and have them give a 15-20 minute program update and general chapter updates. Chapter vice president will solicit help from members to come up with speakers/ideas for the quarterly seminars. Committee chairs to submit their reports to Secretary for each quarterly meeting so they can be posted on the website and newsletter.

New Business:

Chapter 31 Website committee consisting of Paul Thompson, Julie McDonald and Buzz Prescott will decide what to upload to the new website from the membership.

Recommendation made to send the chapter officers/committee chairs to class 219 on presentation skills paid for by the chapter as a way to become acclimated to leading the chapter in the future.

Historian needed for Chapter 31, John Horne to talk with Kent Winslow about this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Buster Allen, Secretary, IRWA Chapter 31



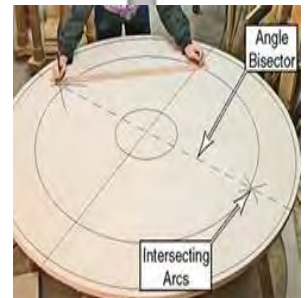
Utilities Committee Report Summer 2013 Quarterly Meeting

Submitted by:
Glenn Winfree, SR/WA

The IUC finalized a broad selection of very good sessions and speakers for the 2013 Educational Conference in Charleston, WV.

A brief overview of the IUC sessions for the Conference:

- “Rail Acquisition for the Edwardsport Power Generation Plant”
 - Project Management and Land Title Challenges
- “Marcellus Shale and Utilities Issues”
 - Shared Session with the Environmental Committee
- “Clean Energy Efforts in Africa”
 - Shared Session with International
- “How Do I Get That Off of My Right-of-Way?”
 - Shared Session with the Asset Management Committee
- “Siting & Planning: Avoiding the PR Disasters”
- “Annual Payments for R/W Per Structure”
 - A Negotiation Tool Used in Canada and Sometimes in US
- “Utility Roundtable”
 - Attendees Choose a Multitude of Topics for Discussion and Everyone Gets to Participate.
- “R/W Acquisition in Africa's Sugarcane Fields”
 - Shared Session with International



Your Chapter 31 Utilities Committee would like to provide more value to our Chapter and asks for your ideas, suggestions and participation.

Email thoughts and comments to: Glenn.Winfree@Duke-Energy.com

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Picture of the stolen piece of rock trying to get back home. See trail in background.



1/8 page - \$40

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Pay \$29.99 more to go by Barney's garage which houses some of Howard's other collection: Howard's pine cone, Howard's stapler, Howard's cow patty, Howard's hoof, Howard's mushroom and many others. (ps....No Gamecock fans were involved in the desecration of the stolen rock from Death Valley—which, BTW, is in California).

All right, just so you know, you can view this whole thingamahobob gnusletter AND all the other trappings of IRWA Chapter 31 on the web at IRWA31.com. Try it out today.



Yeagleymeister. Scary, huh?



Little did anyone know IRWA 31 has its own Mountaineers! Where are the guns?



It's always great to see smiling faces at our Thursday night get-togethers. :O)



Here we go, from the greatest venue of them all....The IRWA meeting in West by lawd Verginnie! And a few of the spring meeting thrown in for flavoring.

It's simply amazing. Rapt entertainment—QUAKE!! Have you ever seen Tim and Buster so caught up?



Here, our Chapter President races against a one-legged man. He who smiles best wins!!



A dangerous rabble appears to be gathering during the 'raising of hands' ceremony. Julie sure has lost weight!



Ted says, "and I now pronounce you WV Man and Wife." Congrats to Bob and Angel!!

A few more pics for y'all.



Sam and her Dad. We'll miss you while you're in MI Sam.



Uh huh, Angel doing the flying thing. A whole buncha hams around here, aren't there?



Pretty good crowd at the NASCAR meeting Friday.



IRWA Contractors Bill and Clark and the instructor.



Bill smiling as he hands the presidency over to Johan. Buster's forehead provides the needed light for the ceremony. Thanks Buster! (the editor has room to talk here, ok?)



Good 'ole NASCAR hall of fame stuff.