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IRWA Chapter 8 Gulf States
February 2020

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well it is here, the 2nd Annual Oil & Gas Symposium is February 26, 2020. Registration is almost full so if you have not registered you have until noon on Tuesday, February 25th. Our committee has lined up some great speakers and this will once again be a great education and networking event. The event will once again be at the Norris Conference Center located in City Centre.

The night before the event, there will be a reception and happy hour located at the Yard House in City Centre. Everyone registered for the event is welcome and encouraged to join for a fun time!

Our featured speaker is Thure Cannon, President of the Texas Pipeline Association. There will be three following education sessions to include a presentation from FERC by Dave Swearingen and Douglas Sipe. Then a presentation titled "Permitting – An Odyssey in Mexico" by Frank Van Horn of Howard Energy. The final session will include a discussion on oil and gas legislation from Texas State Representative Terry Canales (District 40) and a presentation on "Landowner Awareness and Engagement" from Craig Potts and Austin Guyer, both from Marathon Pipe Line.

We hope you enjoy and learn from our speakers and be able to interact with clients and fellow colleagues. Thank you to the speakers, our sponsors and of course the members of the committee that have made this symposium possible.

See you there!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "J. Brandon Hodge".

J. Brandon Hodge

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The website sponsorship cost is \$250 for your company's logo to run on the website from March 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021 for all to see!

Sponsorship opportunities will be open from February 1st to February 29th.

If you are interested in becoming one of our website sponsors, please send a check with this invoice (linked [here](#)) to Ramiro Roel and submit a company logo to Karla Breitinger at kjbreitinger@eprod.com



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FEBRUARY MEETING RECAP

CHAPTER 8 MEETING RECAP – FEBRUARY 6, 2020

Speaker: John Smither – Partner, Zabel Freeman Law Firm

Mr. Smither works on the litigation side of the right of way industry. In his presentation, he provided examples of several common land acquisition issues that end up in court.

Subdivision Plans

A landowner claims he intended to sell his property and build homes on it, splitting up the land into smaller lots to increase its value. To prove a Subdivision in a court of law, the landowner needs to already have a prepared plan. And, the plans should be beyond the idea stage.

- Has an engineer/architect/planner looked at the property?
- Has a geotechnical study been performed?
- Is the property in a condition to be developed?

Courts have said that Subdivision plans are speculative. Even if it's a concept plan, it is inadmissible in court. Landowners need (at the very least) a plat showing how the land would be subdivided prior to the time the landowner was notified about the condemnation.

Before and After Considerations

What is the land value before the pipeline? What is the value after the pipeline?

How was the land value impacted?

Project enhancement – Landowners may feel they are entitled to more money because the project has resulted in increased property value.

Corridor Theory

- The landowner says the property is intended for commercial use and will be sold as easements. This type of scenario is often difficult for a landowner to prove in court.
- Has the property already been marketed for commercial/easement use?
- Has the land been segregated out?
- Has the land been filed with county court to show the property is (already) designated for development?

Per Rod

A landowner wants to sell his easement on a per rod basis. Per rod can be a calculation to negotiate but per acre is the standard. If you are purchasing an easement, it needs to be done using fair market value based on per acre or per square foot basis. The Supreme Court has said the per rod analysis is not accepted in a court of law.



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Crop Damages

Although right of way companies often pay crop loss as a separate item, it's best to value the land as fertile land, and not provide separate valuation for the land and crops. When determining the price of the crop, a common landowner mistake is not accounting for the cost to cultivate, cost to harvest and the cost to market. The courts look at the crop value very differently than the farmers. Farmers typically receive a better deal before they get to litigation.



John Smither is a Partner with Zabel Freeman, his practice primarily focuses on eminent domain matters, personal injury and commercial transactions. He is Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is AV peer review rated by Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Smither is licensed to practice in all state and federal courts in Texas as well as the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. He is a member of the Litigation Section of the State Bar of Texas and a member of the Oil, Gas, and Mineral Law Section of the Houston Bar Association.

THANK YOU TO STATESIDE RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES AND FLAIRDOCS FOR PROVIDING GIFT CARDS FOR OUR RAFFLE!



UPCOMING EVENTS

FEB.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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02/06 - Ch. 8 Monthly Meeting, Hess Club
 02/14 - Happy Valentine's Day!
 02/17 - Mapping Competition Deadline

02/25 - IRWA Course 225, Audubon Companies
 02/25 - YP Hosted Networking Event, Yardhouse
 02/26 - 2nd Annual Oil & Gas Pipeline Symposium, The Norris Center

MAR.

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03/03 - DEMGT Registration Opens
 03/05 - CH. 8 Monthly Meeting, HESS Club
 03/08 - Day Light Savings Time

03/17 - Happy St. Patrick's Day!

APR.

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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04/03 - Region 2 Spring Forum, Dallas Forth Worth
 04/09 - Ch. 8 Monthly Meeting, HESS Club
 04/11 - Region 2 Transportation Symposium, Austin

04/12 - Happy Easter!
 04/27 - Course 421, AWS Appraisers

UPCOMING EVENTS



28th Annual Dan Ewing Memorial Golf Tournament



FIESTA FORE CHARITY

TOURNAMENT DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2020 | WILDCAT GOLF CLUB



REGISTRATION OPENS: TUESDAY, MARCH 3RD AT 10 AM
TOURNAMENT WEBSITE: WWW.BIRDEASEPRO.COM/DANEWINGGOLF

Benefiting 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization, Elijah Rising

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? EMAIL VRICHARDS@WEISSERENG.COM

421-The Valuation of Partial Acquisitions

Start Date: 04/27/2020

End Date: 04/30/2020

No. of Days: 4 Day

Course Level: Advanced

CEU Credits: 32.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

Tuition: \$755.00 Member/\$935 Non-Member

Sponsored By: Chapter 8



Course Description: Participants will learn how to determine and appraise the larger parcel, techniques for appraising the part acquired, identifying and measuring various types of damages and how to value the remainder after acquisitions. The course introduces ways to handle special benefits and explores the before and after approach (how, why and when), and includes numerous exercises and case studies to aid in understanding.

Instructors: Dalton Vann, MAI, RWA, R/W-AC has been appraising in the right of way profession since 2007 and has worked for several valuation firms in North Texas. Mr. Vann has performed valuation and consulting services across the State of Texas on various properties including industrial facilities, retail centers, hotels/motels, subdivisions, office buildings, billboards, churches, ranches, estates, residential units, and raw land. His experience in appraisal for right of way acquisition purposes includes projects for public transportation authorities, local municipalities, public utilities, pipeline, and electrical transmission line companies, light rail authorities and other agencies. Mr. Vann has served on the IRWA Chapter 36 board and in committees since 2011 and was the young professional of the year for the chapter in 2015. He has served on the education committee for IRWA Chapter 36 and serves as a Chapter board member.

Randy Williams, SR/WA, MAI is an Executive Vice President with JLL Valuation & Advisory Services in Austin, Texas. Mr. Williams' experience in real estate appraisal/valuation and consulting since 1977 includes appraisal and management in the real estate banking industry, expert witness testimony and appraisal review. Recent appraisal experience is concentrated throughout Texas. Valuations have been performed on various properties including shopping centers, apartment complexes, single and multi-tenant industrial buildings, single story and high-rise office buildings, mixed use facilities, proposed residential and commercial subdivision and ranches. Mr. Williams has extensive condemnation experience across Texas. Clients include private and public agencies including TxDOT and the City of Austin, accountants, investment firms, banks and law firms. Valuation and market studies have been performed on proposed, partially completed, renovated and existing improved properties. Eminent domain experience includes State Highways 130, 45 and 36, and IH-35. Mr. Williams is a certified instructor for the IRWA and has taught IRWA courses Beijing, China, Johannesburg, South Africa and Mexico City, Mexico and as throughout the USA. Mr. Williams was also the 2011-2012 International President for the IRWA.

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Hotel Accommodations:

Participants are responsible for their own accommodations.

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EDUCATION

201-Communications in Real Estate Acquisition

Start Date: 05/13/2020

End Date: 05/15/2020

No. of Days: 3 Day

Course Level: Intermediate

CEU Credits: 24.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

Tuition: \$565.00 Member/\$710.00 Non-Member

Sponsored By: Chapter 8



Course Description: Utilizing self-learning exercises, role-playing and simulations of actual acquisition interviews, this course helps to instill confidence in participants and to enhance their communication/negotiation skills. Participants are given the opportunity for extensive individual participation, and are encouraged to experiment with the practical application of communication concepts and skills presented and discussed. Following the self-learning exercises and role-playing sessions, participants receive feedback regarding what they are doing effectively, as well as the areas in which they are in need of improvement.

The acquisition interview is presented in a step-by-step approach: how to start, how to develop trust, how to handle problems and objections, and how to close. Using video cameras, participants can then practice these steps by taking part in simulations of actual acquisition interviews. These video demonstrations are then replayed, enabling participants to see themselves "in action".

PLEASE NOTE: Each participant is required to bring an example of an actual acquisition case that has already been conducted or will soon be conducted. This case is needed on the first day of class.

Instructor: Ana B. Rausch, SR/WA, R/W-RAC is a Senior Vice President with Percheron. She has over 25 years of project management experience in the right of way industry. Her areas of expertise include project management, feasibility studies, negotiation and acquisition, title research, title curative, permitting, relocation assistance, damage and claim settlement, construction support, condemnation support, due diligence and budgeting for the pipeline, electric utility, telecommunications, transit, wind, rail and public sector projects. Over her career Ana has worked as a consultant as well as the Vice President of Real Estate for a major Transit Authority. Ana received a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) along with a Bachelor of Science (BS) from the University of Houston. She is a Licensed Texas Real Estate Broker. Ana is a member of the IRWA International Electric and Utilities Committee and served as Chair of IRWA Region 2 from 2015-2017. Ana is a Certified IRWA Climb Instructor and is a past President and Professional of the Year for IRWA Chapter 8. Ana was recently elected as the IEC Secretary for the IRWA.

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EDUCATION

219-Introduction to Presentation, Instruction & Facilitation

Start Date: 05/18/2020

End Date: 05/19/2020

No. of Days: 2 Day

Course Level: Intermediate

CEU Credits: 16.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm, Daily

Tuition: \$415.00 Member/\$520.00 Non-Member

Sponsored By: Chapter 8



Course Description: This course provides participants with an understanding of presenting, instructing and facilitating; an opportunity to develop or enhance presentation, instruction and facilitation skills; personal and professional development, and a venue during which to assess personal skills and abilities before expressing an interest in becoming an IRWA Instructor or a Conference presenter. At the conclusion of the course, participants will have learned about, developed, and demonstrated presentation, instruction and facilitation techniques.

Instructor: Donald J. Sherwood, SR/WA, MAI is the owner of Donald J. Sherwood LLC focusing on appraisal review and education. Mr. Sherwood is the former Managing Director of the Fort Worth office of Integra Realty Resources DFW, LLC, a full-service real estate consulting and appraisal firm. Mr. Sherwood has been an appraiser of all types of real property since December 1978. Donnie has performed appraisals on various properties including, but not limited to, shopping centers, apartment complexes, industrial facilities, a nuclear bomb storage site, an air force base, automobile race track, raw and developed land, office complexes, motels, hotels, marinas, cemeteries, bowling alleys, amusement parks and mixed use developments. Donnie is a CLIMB certified instructor and is a past recipient of IRWA's Balfour Award and author of several courses and articles. He served as an adjunct professor at TCU for nine years.

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EDUCATION

200-Principles of Real Estate Negotiation

Start Date: 06/03/2020

End Date: 06/04/2020

No. of Days: 2 Day

Course Level: Core

CEU Credits: 16.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm, Daily

Tuition: \$415.00 Member/\$520.00 Non-Member

Sponsored By: Chapter 8



Course Description: This two-day course focuses on a unique blend of the communication skills associated with successful, real-world right of way negotiations. With an emphasis on the practical as opposed to the theoretical, participants will explore their own negotiation skills, habits and styles with the goal of improving settlement rates of right of way acquisitions.

Instructor: Georgia S. Snodgrass, SR/WA, R/W-NAC, R/W-AMC, is a popular Instructor for the CLS-Professional Development Institute (Contract Land Staff) as well as for the IRWA. She obtained her Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Education from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Kentucky and obtained her Master of Science Degree in School Business Administration from Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA. Prior to joining Contract Land Staff, she was a Real Estate Representative III for the San Antonio River Authority with responsibility for acquisition and project management oversight on behalf of the River Authority, plus additional oversight responsibilities for the asset management program. Prior to the River Authority, Ms. Snodgrass was the chief negotiator for the San Diego Unified School District and was responsible for their asset management program for 32 years. She is past Chair of both Regions 1 and 2 and Past Chair of the International Membership Committee. She has been approved since 2007 to teach the 700 Series of IRWA Asset Management Courses as well as IRWA Communications Courses 205 and 213. In addition, she is a Certified Course Coordinator for her chapter.

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EDUCATION

506-Advanced Business Relocation Assistance

Start Date: 07/15/2020

End Date: 07/16/2020

No. of Days: 2 Day

Course Level: Advanced

CEU Credits: 16.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm, Daily

Tuition: \$415.00 Member/\$520.00 Non-Member

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Course Description: This course begins with a pre-assessment of the participants' knowledge, followed by case study analysis of complex business relocation issues which require a thorough understanding of the relocation process and the Uniform Act. A detailed analysis of each case study is provided so participants understand the lead agency's theory behind its interpretation of the situation. Facts are applied in order to simulate a relocation that is consistent with the intent of the Uniform Act.

Instructor: **Kristen Bennett, R/W-RAC** is the President of Blackbird Right of Way LLC. She is currently serving as the President of Chapter 36 and the Vice Chair of the Relocation Community of Practice. This year, she was appointed to serve as a member of the PIPE. In 2016, Kristen was the Chapter 36 Young Professional of the Year. She is a CLIMB Certified Instructor for courses 501, 502, 503, 504 and 505. Kristen has also presented relocation sessions at the IRWA annual conference. Prior to founding Blackbird, Kristen was the Senior Managing Director for Relocation Assistance Services for Sendero Acquisitions, LP. Kristen earned her SR/WA designation in 2018 and her R/W-Relocation Assistance Certification in 2013. She earned a Bachelor of Music degree from Texas Tech University and a Master of Music degree from the prestigious Jacob's School of Music at Indiana University. Before joining the right-of-way profession, Kristen was a professional opera singer. Today, she enjoys singing in the praise band at her church every Sunday. Kristen lives in Azle, Texas with her husband, John Bennett, and their two daughters, Ellie and Mimi.

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EDUCATION

901-Engineering Plan Development & Application

Start Date: 08/24/2020

End Date: 08/24/2020

No. of Days: 1 Day

Course Level: Intermediate

CEU Credits: 8.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

Tuition: \$265.00 Member/\$330.00 Non-Member

Sponsored By: Chapter 8



Course Description: The purpose of this course is to enable participants to improve their plan reading skills in order to perform their jobs more easily, effectively and efficiently. The course is designed to enable participants to improve their skills in using engineering plans and drawings.

Instructor: Terry Rowe is a licensed professional surveyor in 22 states and a project manager professional who has over 30 years of experience in land surveying and project management including topographic, engineering design, route, boundary, construction, as well as mapping, records research and computations. Terry is CLIMB certified and instructs the 900 series courses.

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Participant Capacity: 40

Hotel Accommodations:

Participants are responsible for their own accommodations.

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EDUCATION

902-Property Descriptions

Start Date: 08/25/2020

End Date: 08/25/2020

No. of Days: 1 Day

Course Level: Advanced

CEU Credits: 8.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

Tuition: \$265.00 Member/\$330.00 Non-Member

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Course Description: This course covers topographic and property information on engineering plans, the interrelationship of plan, profile and crosssection views, the horizontal and vertical alignment of a centerline, aerial photogrammetry, place coordinates, utility line crossings of highways, contours, calculating earthwork and the interpretation of right of way plans.

Instructor: **Terry Rowe** is a licensed professional surveyor in 22 states and a project manager professional who has over 30 years of experience in land surveying and project management including topographic, engineering design, route, boundary, construction, as well as mapping, records research and computations. Terry is CLIMB certified and instructs the 900 series courses.

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EDUCATION

804-Skills of Expert Testimony

Start Date: 09/14/2020

End Date: 09/14/2020

No. of Days: 1 Day

Course Level: Advanced

CEU Credits: 8.00

Class Time: 8:00am - 5:00pm

Tuition: \$265.00 Member/\$330.00 Non-Member

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Course Description: This course is facilitated by an attorney and/or an experienced appraiser. The situations faced by the expert witness are analyzed through extensive use of simulations based on actual cases, creating a unique learning situation.

Instructor: **Sejin C. Brooks** is an attorney in the Austin Office of Barron, Adler, Clough & Oddo, LLP. Raised in Oklahoma, he joined the firm in 2014 and focuses on eminent domain litigation. For eight years Mr. Brooks served as an Assistant Attorney General at the Office of the Attorney General of Texas, Transportation Division. While in that position he acted as the project manager of litigation for parcel acquisition matters regarding the DFW Connector Highway Construction Project. Prior to his time as an Assistant Attorney General, Mr. Brooks served as an Assistant District Attorney in Oklahoma and as a Partner Attorney for a law firm in Oklahoma. Mr. Brooks is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Oklahoma Bar Association. Mr. Brooks is also a member of IRWA Chapter 74 and is an IRWA CLIMB Certified Instructor.

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YOUNG PROFESSIONALS



Social Networking Event

HOSTED BY THE CHAPTER 8
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WHEN:

TUESDAY, FEB. 25TH
STARTS AT 5:30PM

All Oil & Gas Symposium attendees are welcome to join! A raffle drawing will occur at 7:30pm – must be present to win!

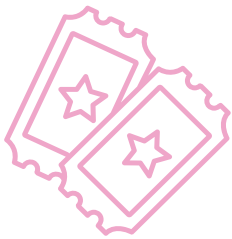
THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Chapter News



Chapter Luncheons Moved to Thursday

After a few test runs during the previous fiscal year, we have officially changed chapter luncheons to Thursday. The chapter newsletter and website will have a list of upcoming luncheon dates to make planning ahead easy!



Gift Cards Needed for Chapter Luncheon Raffle

The Chapter is looking for companies to donate gift cards for our raffles at each of our luncheons. If you or your company are interested, please contact Rebecca Eguia via email at recurry@eprod.com



IRWA Luncheons Approved for SR/WA Recertification Credits

As you may know, the IRWA International Credentialing Committee has moved to a “Self Reporting” model. Meaning, IRWA members simply report that they attended X amount of meetings for X amount of hours on their CE forms. Each luncheon attended will earn you one (1) hour re-certification credit. Be sure to pick up a form you can fill out and retain for your records at your next IRWA Chapter 8 Meeting!



Want a Free Lunch?

The Chapter 8 Board has decided to offer its members the opportunity to receive a free lunch for the submission, acceptance and publication of a newsletter article.

To Qualify:

1. You must be a current IRWA Chapter 8 Member (Chapter Chairs and Executive Officers excluded)
2. Submit a newsletter article and have it published in the Award-Winning The Centerline.
3. You receive a free lunch voucher for one of the regularly scheduled lunch meetings. Submit articles to kjbreitinger@eprod.com

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20/20 VISION

RWIEF FUNDS NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM !



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Celebrating our 40th anniversary in 2017, the Right of Way International Education Foundation (RWIEF) partnered with IRWA to fund forty scholarships. The program, “40 For 40 Launching Careers Scholarship”, was open to IRWA members in good standing that were committed to achieving the Right of Way Agent (RWA) or Right of Way Professional (RWP) credential. Two recipients from each of the ten IRWA regions, plus twenty more recipients from members throughout IRWA were selected. RWIEF committed \$185,000 to fund these scholarships over three years from January 2018 to December 2020 and IRWA managed the program. The 40 For 40 Scholarship has flourished with 39 scholars in the program (one left the industry). Thus far, 20 scholars have completed their path with 11 RWA and 9 RWP certifications.

Due to the success of the 40 For 40 program, the Foundation is pleased to announce a new scholarship called, “20/20 Vision Scholarship Program”. This scholarship is targeted to new professionals in the infrastructure real estate industry seeking to advance their careers through credentialing. The Foundation will fund the program for three years, beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023, providing grants up to \$92,500.

To qualify, applicants must have been a member in good standing for at least one year and committed to achieving the RWA and/or RWP credential. Funding may only be used towards course registration fees for eligible courses. Applicants are required to submit a one-page essay outlining how the scholarship will enable them to contribute to IRWA’s purpose and mission.

To apply, visit www.irwaonline.org and click on “20/20 Vision Scholarship Program” under the education tab. Applications must be submitted by May 1, 2020 and grantees will be notified by June 1, 2020. Awards will begin on July 1, 2020.



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About the IRWA

Since its inception as a not-for-profit association in 1934, the IRWA has united the efforts of its members toward professional development, strong ethics and improved service to employers and the public, along with advancements within the right of way profession. IRWA is the unsurpassed source of right of way educational programs and professional services worldwide.

Our Members

Dedicated exclusively to the right of way profession, IRWA has nearly 10,000 members throughout the US, Canada and Africa. Our members are multi-disciplined professionals employed by private industry and government agencies as Acquisition Agents, Appraisers, Environment Professionals, Engineers, Lawyers, Property Managers, Relocation Assistance Agents, Surveyors and Title Experts.

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