

The Centerline

IRWA Chapter 8 Gulf States

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy early fall Chapter 8! Now that kids have been sent back to school kicking and screaming, we can all breathe a sigh of relief. I am honored to be your Chapter President and humbled by all of you who have supported me over the years. I will do my best to keep our Chapter strong. We were off to a great start this month.

For our first meeting of the year, we had a total of 40 in attendance with a couple of new members. Our Chapter is growing and I do believe we are the best Chapter in Region 2! This is due to the close knit group we are and how we not only share industry culture, we share friendships that have lasted for many years.

We had a great speaker lined up by Erik, Scott Davis with Hicks, Davis & Wynn. Scott provided us with a great amount of information regarding Eminent Domain and any updates that have developed since new regulations were passed. A few added layers to what we should already be working with when it comes to these proceedings. You can read more about his presentation in this months edition of The Centerline.

Also, the DEM Golf Committee hit one out of the park with this years charity tournament. This years recipient, Neighbors in Action was in attendance and provided us with their mission statement. NIA serves Port Houston and the surrounding areas, providing assistance to migrating Hispanic families arriving in the US everyday. Please go to their website and read up on their accomplishments.

Finally, we have classes lined up this year and if you are seeking certification, the Chapter will try to hold at least 2 courses a month. There are changes coming to credentialing, so please visit the website before you get started and or reach out to Professional Development with questions.

We have some great speakers lined up this year and hope you can see us at our luncheon!

~Ramiro Roel



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CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS

Our September meeting was held at the Norris Center. It was great to welcome everyone back after our summer break! We swore in our 2022-2023 Board of Directors. Our speaker was meeting was Scott Davis with Hicks, Davis & Wynn and he provided a very entertaining update on Eminent Domain and where we are after the current legislature passed.

Our next chapter meeting will be held on October 6, 2022 at 11am at the Norris Center. We hope to see you there!

Interested in joining a committee? The Education Committee is looking for help, please contact Eric Alley eaalley@eprod.com, and the Communications Committee is looking for help, contact Karla Breitingner kjbreitingner@eprod.com.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



Gift Cards Needed for Chapter Luncheon Raffles

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 Kasy Baldauf via email at kasy.baldauf@airliquide.com.

IRWA Luncheons Approved for SR/WA Rectification 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 our 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-Nominated The Centerline.
3. You receive a free lunch voucher for one of the regularly scheduled lunch meetings.

Submit articles to kjbreitinger@eprod.com

UPCOMING EVENTS—Young Professionals

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 sources 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.

Welcome New Mem-

Meet your Communications Committee:

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