



IRWA's 60th Annual

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE

JUNE 22 - 25, 2014

What you **LEARN** at Conference doesn't **STAY** at Conference.

Become a force for change in your organization by bringing back specialized knowledge that you can't get anywhere else. Professionals who attend IRWA's Annual International Education Conference gain invaluable insight into the latest industry trends, giving them the edge they need over their competition.



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IRWA's conference participants make up a unique body of knowledge. With hundreds of experienced right of way professionals gathering in one place and sharing industry practices you and your organization can't afford to miss this event.

Discovering the lessons learned from others who have faced similar project challenges is one of the conference's greatest benefits. Conference speakers are top subject matter experts in their fields, and their wealth of experiences can provide you with perspective that you can apply to your professional challenges.

Here's a sampling of sessions being offered at conference:

- Mobile Scanning: Surveying at the Speed of Light
- Site Tour – Hurricane Sandy Restoration Efforts
- Wildlife Issues and their Impact on Utilities
- Wind Energy: Positive or Negative?
- Pipeline Projects Involving Federal Lands
- MAP-21 and Federal Agency Update
- What's New on the California High-Speed Rail?
- Valuing Contaminated Properties for Litigation
- An Update on Shale Fracking
- Planning Complex Project Relocations
- Surplus Property – Managing and Valuing Critical Assets
- Leveraging Technology to Manage Data, Documents and Maps



Sunday, June 22	Monday, June 23	Tuesday, June 24	Wednesday, June 25
Registration 7:00 am – 6:30 pm	Registration 7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Registration 6:30 am – 5:00 pm	Registration 7:00 am – noon
Continental Breakfast (Int'l Committees) 7:00 am – 8:00 am	Continental Breakfast 7:30 am – 8:30 am	SR/WA Recognition Breakfast and Speaker 7:00 am – 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast 7:00 am – 8:00 am
Int'l Committee Meetings 8:00 am – noon	Educational Sessions 8:30 am – 11:30 am	Educational Sessions 9:00 am – 12:30 pm	Finnegan Fun Run 7:00 am – 9:00 am
First-Time Attendee Orientation 12:45 pm – 1:45 pm	Exhibit Hall Open 9:30 am – 11:30 am	Foundations Golf Tournament 10:00 am – 6:00 pm	Advisory Council Breakfast 7:30 am – 8:30 am
Exhibit Hall Open 11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Awards Luncheon 11:45 am – 1:15 pm	Educational Sessions 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Educational Sessions 8:00 am – 11:30 am
Opening Ceremony 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Educational Sessions 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Incoming President's Reception 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm
Region Caucuses 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Exhibit Hall Open 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Sponsored Receptions 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Installation Banquet Reception 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Networking Welcome Reception 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Monday Night Event 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm		Installation Banquet and Dance 7:00 pm - midnight

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IRWA Member #: _____ Primary Chapter#: _____

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	By March 21, 2014	March 22-May 9	After May 9	Total
Member	\$475.00	\$575.00	\$650.00	\$
Non-member	\$575.00	\$675.00	\$750.00	\$
*Daily	\$200.00	\$225.00	\$250.00	\$

*Please Indicate Registration Day(s): Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday

COMPANION REGISTRATION

NAME: Last:	By May 9	After May 9	
First:	\$250.00	\$300.00	\$

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WAYNE GOSS, SR/WA, R/W-NAC

Candidate for IRWA International President-Elect

This is an exciting time to be a part of IRWA's leadership team. As many of you are aware, we are putting a number of improvements to our organization into action. A major recent initiative was implemented to help refocus the organization so we can more effectively target the users of our services. We

are redefining our structure to allow IRWA members to not only exhibit expertise in general right of way activities, but to emphasize familiarity with specific industries. As an even bigger benefit to our members, the revised arrangement will provide us with an opportunity to market directly to those industries, both through industry tracks in our annual conference sessions and industry-specific certifications and designations.

To help support these new projects, we have been joined by Kari Hernandez, Accreditation Program Manager and Tim Drennan, Manager of Field Operations. Kari is leading the effort to coordinate comprehensive continuing education accreditation of our courses with the numerous and assorted state/provincial agencies (appraisal, law, survey, real estate commissions, etc.). This will release individual chapters and regions from the complex identification, approval and funding issues of continuing education approval. Tim has been recruited by the organization to enhance communications, coordination and operational logistics previously handled organization-wide by Daniel Stekol. Both of these positions will greatly improve

the IRWA member experience, and I am very excited to see the results first-hand.

A reformatted course incentive program has also been instituted to encourage active growth in chapter education programs, as well as provide lucrative rewards for those chapters' efforts. Daniel and Tim will be working to be sure our chapters realize the advantages and benefits that can be delivered as a result of the program.

Exposing IRWA to a worldwide audience is paying off in a big way, with the very recent addition of our second overseas chapter, located in Nigeria, joining South Africa's Chapter 83 as our first chapters outside North America. Other achievements include establishing a relationship with Saudi Aramco, the world's largest oil company; partnering with IKT in Germany, where we have developed a Memorandum of Understanding to share and coordinate knowledge of underground infrastructure; and further developing our association with FIABCI, the international real estate group that gives us a worldwide audience with which to distribute our message of ethics and professional abilities.

These examples are only a few methods by which the International Executive Committee and IRWA are striving to enhance member benefits and build our brand both at home and across the world. To join us in advancing these worthy endeavors, it is my honor to ask your support for my candidacy as your International President-Elect.

Resumé

Wayne has been a member of IRWA's Shreveport Chapter 75 in Region 2 since 1990.

Education

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture/Business from Northwestern State University in Natchitoches, Louisiana. Additional coursework completed through the National Highway Institute, Federal Aviation Administration and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Employment

Chief Real Estate Specialist/Senior Property Management Specialist for the City of Shreveport's Department of Public Works (1990-Present); Real Estate Agent, Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (1984-1990).

IRWA Involvement

- International Vice-President, 2013-Present
- International Treasurer, 2012 – 2013
- International Secretary, 2011 – 2012
- International Governing Council Member
- Past Chair, International Local Public Agency Committee
- Past International LPA Committee At - Large Member
- Past Region 2 Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary
- Past Chapter President, Vice President, and Treasurer
- Past Chapter Membership Chair, Education Chair, Professional Development Chair and Director





MARY ANNE MARR, SR/WA

Candidate for IRWA International Vice President

In my most recent read of my favorite book "Oh! The Places You'll Go" by Dr. Seuss, I thought of IRWA and was once again inspired. We're on our way up! We have so many roads and so many options. We won't lag behind and we won't wait for opportunities. We go out and find opportunities, and in turn exciting

opportunities find us because we're always moving and are always looking forward. We have exhilarating times ahead.

IRWA embodies our profession, how we present ourselves to the world and how the world views us. Our results speak for themselves. This past year we've grown in so many ways, and I'm so very proud to welcome our newest chapter, Nigeria Chapter 84, to the IRWA family. It's hard to believe that in just one year we've gone from one Nigerian member to an entire chapter! Things happen quickly and sometimes it feels like we're moving too fast, but in today's environment we need to be both agile and thoughtful as we move forward.

IRWA is transforming how our committees and communities of practice work. We've repositioned ourselves for the way the users of our services see us, and for the way our members actually work. Most of us work within a primary industry and we also have specialized discipline expertise. No longer will our members have to choose whether they participate at a discipline or industry level. You can have both! We are also working hard to make sure that more of our members have an opportunity to participate in our discipline communities of practice. There's plenty of room for everyone, and there are many different ways to participate. Now it seems pretty simple, but getting there required a lot of reflection, consultation and input from everyone. I think it's a brilliant opportunity for us to continue to grow and add value for our members.

According to Dr. Seuss, "You can steer yourself any direction you choose." I want to continue to support IRWA and all the places we'll go. I am asking for your support as I respectfully submit my name for the position of International Vice President.

Resumé

Mary Anne has been a member of IRWA's Chapter 7 in Region 5 for 18 years.

Education

Siena Heights University, Adrian, MI (1995 - 1999).
Additional coursework completed through the IRWA, Appraisal Institute and Appraisal Institute of Canada. Achieved the SR/WA designation in 2004.

Employment

Real Estate Director, Consumers Energy, (2001 - Present); employed by Consumers Energy since 1997.

IRWA Involvement

- International Treasurer 2013 - Present
- International Secretary, 2012 - 2013
- International Governing Council Member, 2010 - Present
- Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year Finalist, 2010, 2011, 2012

- Member Appreciation Award Recipient, 2009
- Past International Utilities Committee Member
- Past Region 5 Representative to the International Utilities Committee
- Past Region 5 Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Webmaster
- Past Chapter 7 President, Vice President and Secretary
- Past Chapter Professional of the Year (2009), Utilities Committee Chair, Roster Committee Chair, Professional Development Committee Member and Assistant Secretary Treasurer.

Other

- Michigan Certified Real Estate Appraiser License





JERRY COLBURN, SR/WA, R/W-RAC
 Candidate for IRWA International Treasurer

It was truly an honor to join the International Executive Committee a little over 6 months ago. It has been a pleasure to work with these dedicated professionals within our organization and to be a part of the IRWA leadership team. Along with the International Governing Council, our focus this year

has been creating an industry-driven Association that brings real value to our membership.

It is exciting to be a part of these changing times. The progress that we are making is truly remarkable, thanks to our volunteer leadership and the incredible staff at Headquarters that makes sure everything happens like it should.

At the Annual Education Conference in Hartford, we will, for the first time, offer industry tracks that will enable IRWA to attract participants from outside of our organization. We have launched an external advertising campaign in publications focused on our four industry vertical segments - utilities, transportation, pipeline and public agencies. Our goal is to attract engineers, oil and gas companies, contractors and government officials. This is an example of being an industry-driven Association.

We are increasing our external visibility and creating an education program that supports the needs of the industries

that we serve. By developing communities of practice, we are integrating the applicable disciplines with the industry committees in order to improve communication between these groups, our regions and the chapter membership.

A Five-Year Education Plan has been developed in concept, and the IGC has approved the first year curriculum, which includes a new Oil and Gas Land Course and C100 (VEIT), as well as other new courses. The new C100 (VEIT) course is a Canadian Principles of Land Acquisition using Video Enabled Integrated Technology. We are working on a dynamic plan to meet the changing needs of our membership.

The Association is building upon the existing momentum in Africa, Mexico, Europe, Asia and Australia, as well. We not only have Chapter 83 in South Africa, but we recently welcomed a new Chapter in Nigeria. In October, IRWA's International Governing Council approved the creation of Nigeria Chapter 84, our newest chapter on the African Continent.

It is a privilege to serve on the International Executive Committee and give back to the Association, and I look forward to doing my part in achieving the aggressive goals that make us a better organization. My three goals of growth, visibility and professionalism are being realized because of the strategies that we have initiated. I respectfully submit my name for the office of International Treasurer.

Resumé

Jerry has been a member of IRWA's San Diego Chapter 11 in Region 1 since 1992, and before that, was a member of Chapter 74 in Region 2 in Austin, TX.

Education

Attended South Texas Junior College and the University of St. Thomas. Additional coursework completed through IRWA and other organizations. Achieved the R/W-RAC Certification in 2006, the SR/WA Designation in 2010 and is currently a candidate for the R/W-URAC.

Employment

Principal/Vice President at Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Inc. for over twenty years. He has worked in the right of way profession in various roles since 1973.

IRWA Involvement

- International Secretary 2013 - Present
- Past International Communications and Marketing Committee Member
- Past International Transportation Committee Chair and Vice Chair
- Past Chapter 11 Director of Communication and Marketing, Secretary and Treasurer, Transportation Committee Chair and Local Public Agency Committee Chair
- Past Co-Chair of the San Diego 2015 Conference Planning Committee.

Other

- Right of Way Consultant's Council Charter Member





TAMARA BENSON, SR/WA, R/W-URAC, R/W-RAC

Candidate for IRWA International Secretary

The inscription above the entry to my children's school has always inspired me. It reads, "A tradition of excellence, with a vision for tomorrow." I believe these words hold true for the IRWA as well.

I'm proud of how the right of way profession is helping build a better world, and how IRWA contributes to that success through education, ethical standards and peer exchange. As we face the future, it is vital that veteran right of way professionals share their knowledge, skills and wisdom to nurture the personal and professional growth of the next generation. I take opportunities every day to turn interactions with agents, clients and the public into shared learning opportunities. I see other opportunities in IRWA's initiative to gain exposure in the marketplace by taking our educational offerings to colleges and other professional associations. Let's make sure that our course materials and instructors represent the best of IRWA and our profession.

As IRWA expands globally, we need to think globally. The world sees IRWA as the central authority on right of way, and groups around the world have requested that our educational courses

be offered in their countries. Let's continue our efforts to improve and expand our online course offerings, as well as train new instructors from outside North America.

This past year, the leadership of IRWA approved and introduced significant changes to the SR/WA career paths. These new pathways now require enhancements to our educational offerings and professional committees. As a member of the International Professional Development Committee, I've been a part of this important new vision and plan. As the implementation occurs over the next five years, I'm committed to working with the membership to refine and champion these changes into a successful program.

In both my professional career and volunteer roles within IRWA and my community, I thrive on working with others to achieve the best possible outcome in any given situation. I enjoy taking on new challenges, identifying the plans for success, and finishing the plan.

I'm committed to serving our membership by increasing our visibility in the marketplace, improving and expanding our educational offerings, and building on our vision and plans for the future. I ask for your support in achieving these goals by electing me as your next International Secretary.

Resumé

Tami has been a member of IRWA's Oklahoma Chapter 33, Region 2 for 15 years. Before that she was a member of Chapters 36 and 76 for six years.

Education

Attended the University of Oklahoma, and completed additional coursework through IRWA, achieving her SR/WA in 2002, her R/W-RAC in 2001 and her R/W-URAC in 2011.

Employment

Director of Training and Development for Universal Field Services, Inc. Tami has been with Universal since 1990.

IRWA Involvement

- Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year, 2010
- International Relocation Assistance Committee Member, 2003 - present

- Past Chair, International Relocation Assistance Committee
- Region 2 Representative to the International Professional Development Committee
- Region 2 Professional of the Year, 2010
- Past Chapter 33 President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Newsletter Editor, International Director
- Chapter 33 Professional Development Chair, 2011 - Present
- Chapter 33 Professional of the Year, 2004, 2009-2010

Other

- Instructor, IRWA 100 and 500 Series Courses
- IRWA Leadership Institute Team Member
- Contributor, Principles of Right of Way Textbook
- Completed coursework toward Oklahoma, Florida and Texas Real Estate Licensing
- Mentor, IRWA Mentoring Program





VIVIAN HOWELL, SR/WA, R/W-RAC, R/W-NAC

Candidate for IRWA International Secretary

Learn. Lead. Advance. This directs the focus of our IRWA and something I believe my qualifications address through my continued support of this philosophy in the following ways:

Learn: IRWA is educating members and those interested in the right of way field through updated, germane and timely

coursework, seminars and workshops. I am engaged in these efforts from a position that assists in meeting those expectations of a quality learning organization through continued listening to the members, partners and users of our services. Enthusiastically, my support is for the speed at which those new to the right of way field are able to earn certifications and the ease in accessing classroom or online educational offerings in an ethical transmission for all, including members recertifying.

Lead: This organization is leading the right of way industry by broadening international arenas as well as within the United States. My background, as a corporate banker and for the past 30 years, 24 of which have been increased responsibilities for leading projects, processes, teams, sections and divisions at the City of Los Angeles, would bring a complimentary level of leadership to the International Executive Committee. Local and regional membership has entrusted me to work and represent IRWA ideals and opportunities that confer a wide range of

benefits to the membership. Past IRWA Presidents appointed me to an International Committee to not only lead members forward but also to listen to and work collaboratively with others. Making a tough decision is not to be taken lightly; however, I know it is the right one when opinions and ideas, other than my own, are taken into the outcome in a respectful and transparent manner. In six months, I will be transitioning my leadership from the YWCA Greater Los Angeles Board of Directors after serving 7 years in governance of the nonprofit business, which included the office of board chair under an organizational budget of over \$100 million while maintaining a sphere of excellence and communication.

Advance: IRWA encourages members to advance in their careers through learning and leadership opportunities in the Association. I am a beneficiary and desire to ensure that other members continue to reap the benefit of opportunity. It resonates with me because, as a public agency member, I want to ensure that agency involvement continues to look to this organization as viable, balanced and relevant. Consultants and public agency membership participation is a must to ensure the forward movement of IRWA. I bring that balanced perspective and ability to bring together both private and public sectors that have catapulted our organization onward and upward.

Together, let's continue growing IRWA's ideals, opportunities and industry relevance by casting your historical vote and support for me as your next International Secretary to be of service.

Resumé

Vivian has been a member of IRWA's Los Angeles Chapter 1, Region 1 for 20 years.

Education

Graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from California State University, Los Angeles and a Master of Business Administration from Loyola Marymount University. Received a Certificate of Management Effectiveness from the University of Southern California and a Real Estate Certificate from West Los Angeles College. Achieved the SR/WA Designation in 1995. Candidate for the R/W-URAC certification.

Employment

Director, LAX Non-Airfield and Palmdale Land Holdings - Real Estate Services - Commercial Development Group at Los Angeles World Airports of the City of Los Angeles

IRWA Activities

- International Governing Council, 2012 - Present
- Region 1 Chair, 2012 - Present
- Past Region 1 Vice Chair

- Finalist, Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year
- Past Chair, Vice Chair, International Relocation Assistance Committee
- Past Chapter 1 President, President-Elect, Treasurer and Secretary
- Past Chapter 1 Nominations and Awards Committee Chair, Professional Development Committee Co-Chair and Newsletter Chair
- Chapter 1 Professional of the Year, 2008
- Instructor, IRWA Relocation /Negotiation Courses

Other

- Served on the Mayor of Los Angeles' Economic Development Cabinet and a previous Mayor's Primary Center Taskforce
- Facilitator, Conciliator, Mediator with the City of Los Angeles Attorney's Office
- Member, American Association of Airport Executives
- Past Board President, YWCA of Greater Los Angeles
- Past Editorial Advisory Board Member, Right of Way Magazine
- Port of Los Angeles Executive Planning Team
- California Licensed Real Estate Broker





JEFFREY L. JONES, SR/WA, R/W-URAC, R/W-RAC, R/W-NAC Candidate for IRWA International Secretary

"We want to get you involved," read the closing line on the welcome letter I received from my new IRWA Chapter Membership Chair. Little did I know how involved I would become with this new group.

As I moved through positions at the Chapter, Region and International levels, I didn't do it alone. I was influenced by many leaders and mentors that assisted me through the years. It is their inspiration that sparks my desire to take this next step and pursue the office of International Secretary.

I have been fortunate as Region 5 Chair to be part of the International Governing Council during some exciting times for the IRWA. We have seen the growth of the IRWA outside of our traditional North American boundaries. We have welcomed Chapters 83 and 84 from the continent of Africa and we are on the verge of welcoming a new international region. I recently had the opportunity to participate in a multi-session teleconference, led by the German contingent that has attended our past Annual Conferences. We are quickly moving

to where the IRWA is the worldwide authority for the right of way profession, and as we grow, I think it is important to remember where we began.

My passion for the IRWA education and professional development programs began with my first IRWA educational course, where I was provided a quality learning experience with a very knowledgeable instructor. I enjoy working with members and assisting them with their education and with meeting their professional development goals. I was honored to serve and be a member of the Instructors Task Force. It was a rewarding experience and will provide the Association with quality instructors. In addition to the very useful Course 219, the Task Force developed amazing programs with our Five-Year Education Plan and the New Career Path that will add to the support of our members.

I believe I owe it to IRWA to give back to the Association that has given so much to my career and professional development. If elected to the International Executive Committee, I will be there to listen, and I commit to the membership to work with you to advance our Association and the profession. I therefore respectfully submit my name for consideration as International Secretary.

Resumé

Jeff has been a member of IRWA's Michigan Chapter 7, Region 5 for 17 years.

Education

Attended Michigan Technological University, Houghton, MI and Lawrence Technological University, Southfield, MI. Additional coursework completed through IRWA, achieving the SR/WA designation in 2000, the R/W-RAC and R/W-NAC in 2002, and the R/W-URAC in 2010.

Employment

Right of Way Supervisor for the Road Commission for Oakland County, MI, 1978 - 2011; Currently a contracted Right of Way Specialist with Hubbell, Roth & Clark, 2011 - Present.

IRWA Activities

- International Governing Council Member, 2012 - Present
- Region 5 Chair, 2012 - Present
- International Finances Committee Member, 2012 - Present

- Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year, 2008
- Past Chair and Vice Chair, International Local Public Agency Committee
- Past Member, International Liaison Committee
- Region 5 Professional of the Year, 2008
- Past Region 5 Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
- Past Region 5 Representative to the International Local Public Agency Committee
- Chapter 7 Professional of the Year, 2008
- Past Chapter 7 President, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, Professional Development Committee member, Education Committee Co-Chair, International Director, Newsletter Editor, Nominations and Elections Committee Member.

Other

- IRWA Certified Course Coordinator
- IRWA Instructors Task Force Member, Specialty Task Force Member
- Editorial Advisory Board member for Right of Way Magazine

