Raising the Bar
IRWA pushes forward with training and resources to keeping members informed and engaged

Ethics Are Paramount
Adherence to high ethical standards is one of the most important factors in differentiating our members from other professionals. As part of an overall initiative to elevate ethics as a cornerstone of IRWA membership, the Association recently launched a new internal advertising campaign called “Ethics are Elementary.” The campaign includes public service style ads designed to serve as a casual reminder of a serious subject. Based on IRWA’s 10 ethical rules of professional conduct, the ads can be placed in chapter newsletters, on websites and used in other promotional materials.

Instructor Training – Reimagined and Reinvigorated
IRWA continues its efforts to improve our educational offerings and participants’ experience at courses. In pursuit of excellence in both categories, IRWA recently held an inaugural instructor CLIMB training event in Manhattan Beach, CA. The instructors participated in two rigorous days of learning interactive and inspiring techniques to engage their students using groundbreaking educational methods. Be sure to read our next issue for a more in-depth look at this event.

Webinar: Securing the National Grid
March 28, 2016, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm PST
In this free webinar, Author Pat O’Neill will address meaningful measures to help secure the nation’s grid by harnessing the eyes and ears of those who work on site. Hosted by the International Electric & Utilities Committee, online registration is available at www.irwaonline.org by clicking on the “Meetings and Events” tab.

Utilities Update and Mock Trial
March 18, 2016, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
The International Electric & Utilities Committee is presenting a one-day symposium offering IRWA, MCLE, and OREA continuing education credits. Presented in Berkeley, California, agencies will address utility-related acquisition and appraisals issues. An eminent domain trial will be simulated with attorneys and appraisers presenting the facts. For details, visit www.irwaonline.org and click on “Meetings and Events.”

New Online Relocation Course
In January, IRWA launched another online offering, Course 507 - Specialized Nonresidential Payments. Developed in partnership with ORC Training, this intermediate level course offers 8 continuing education units. And watch for the upcoming launch of the online course on Special Topics in Replacement Housing. Visit www.irwauniversity.org for details.