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Chapter 10 Law Day
February 16, 2024
\$30 per person

9am-12pm: Board Meeting

12 pm-1pm: Lunch

1pm-4pm: Law Program

Click the scales to register!





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FEBRUARY 16, 2024

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President's Message



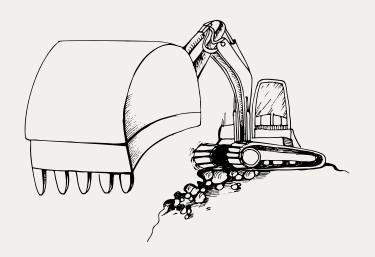
A New Year is always exciting to me, as it brings an opportunity to reflect, reset and to begin anew. Chapter leadership did this as a group, prior to the new year, at our November planning meeting. We have quite a few events already in the works for 2024! There will be many opportunities to engage with other right-of-way professionals and I encourage you to attend at least one event you have not previously attended before. Just one new connection can open a door, shine light on a new idea or reenergize your passion to improve people's quality of life through infrastructure development.

Our next Board meeting will be held prior to the February Legislative update at HWC on February 16, 2024. The Board meeting will begin at 9 AM. The Legislative update will begin at noon and includes lunch. The Legal Affairs committee is working hard to provide a timely and relevant update of new legislation, cases and other information that is relevant to our work. Don't miss this opportunity to stay current with important information. Registration is available on the Chapter website.

In April, the Chapter will partner with Indiana ITE (Institute of Transportation Engineers) to offer a full-day educational and networking opportunity. Details will be available soon, and a registration link will be posted on the website. The Region 5 Spring Forum will be held on May 2-4, 2024, in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The meeting will include an educational symposium, golf outing and Tour of Lambeau Field. Check the Region 5 website for details as they become available. https://www.irwa-region5.org/forums.

Registration is open for IRWA's 70th Annual International Education Conference. The conference will be held in Long Beach, California, and several hotel options are available. This year's conference will offer over sixty education sessions. Check out more details here: https://eweb.irwaonline.org/eweb/StartPage.aspx?Site=lb2024.

Stay connected by checking the Chapter 10 website and following the Chapter on social media for opportunities to connect with fellow members and stay up to date on chapter happenings. If you would like to be involved in Chapter 10, you are welcome! Send me a message, give me a call, or talk to me at an event. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as Chapter 10 President!

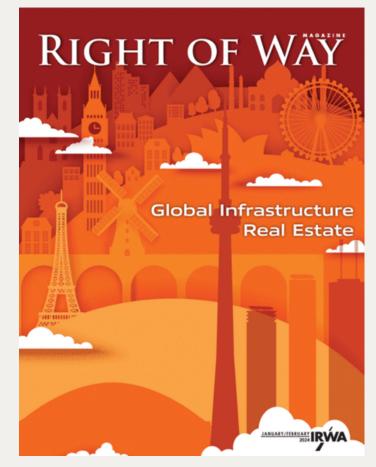


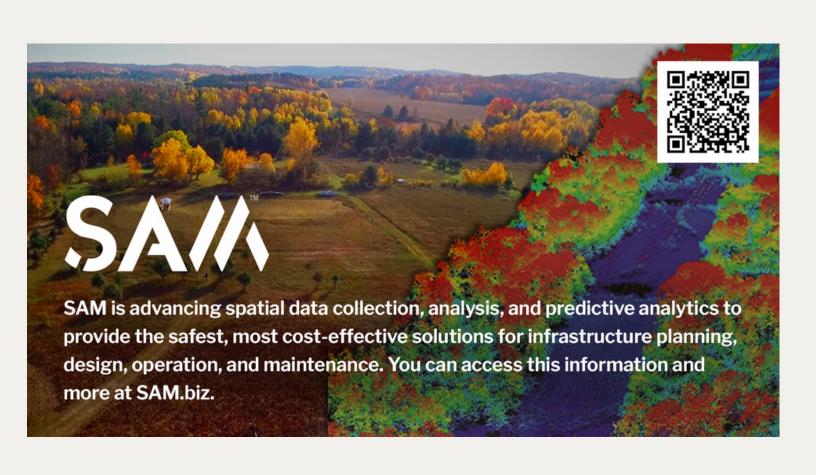
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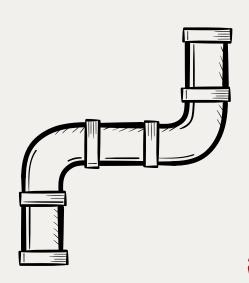
The January/February
2024 issue of the Right of
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available! Click the cover
photo to the right to read
more about Global
Infrastructure!





NATURAL GAS PIPELINE SALE

Enbridge Inc. has agreed sell its 50% interest in Alliance Pipeline and its 42.7% interest in Aux Sable to Pembina Pipeline Corp. Click the pipeline to learn more!







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PROFEGGIONAL DEVELOPMENT NEWS

NEW Professional Right of Way Certification Program

The Professional Right of Way Certification Program is a three-level program that begins with the Right of Way Agent (RWA) certification, progresses with the Right of Way Professional (RWP) certification, and culminates with the Senior Right of Way Professional (SR/WA) designation.

Those who hold the SR/WA have achieved the most prestigious professional designation in the right of way industry through experience, education, and examination. They represent the most seasoned professionals who have acquired the highest level of knowledge and expertise within all the major disciplines of the right of way industry. Together with the RWA and RWP, earning the SR/WA designation can help create employment opportunities, career advancement, salary increases and professional development growth.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions to get a better understanding or for help in laying out a plan on how to achieve one of these certifications and designations.

You can also go the IRWA website and visit the Credentialing Concierge by clicking the SR/WA logo =>.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO BRITTANY GRIGGS, SR/WA-GN FOR SUCCESSFULLY MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SR/WA-GN (SENIOR RIGHT OF **WAY AGENT - GENERALIST)** CERTIFICATION.

THE SR/WA CERTIFICATION REFLECTS EVIDENCE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENT IN THE RIGHT OF WAY PROFESSION THROUGH **EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION** AND REFLECTS BRITTANY'S **DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT** TO PROFESSIONAL GROWTH.





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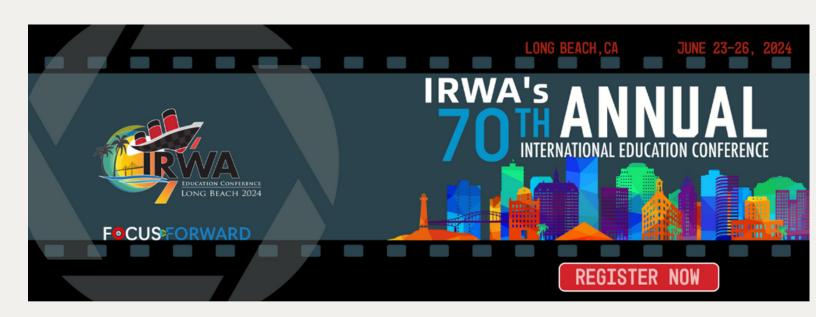
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Drum roll, please! It's that time of year again - the International Education Conference is here! Ready to sign up? Just click on that banner below to get all the juicy details.





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The EPA has given
California the power to
require that half of all
freight truck sales be
electric by 2035, a
standard already adopted
by 6 other states. Click the
truck to learn more!

Chapter 10 Annual Award Ceremony & Holiday Party Recap

The Chapter held our annual holiday party and awards banquet and the Rathskeller on December 9th. It was a well-attended event and holiday cheer was in the air!

The Chapter collected an impressive carload of toys for Riley Hospital for Children. Thank you to the Candler family for delivering to Riley!





The Program for the evening included a presentation by Chapter President Ashley Johnson, MAI, SRA, R/W-AC on the State of the Chapter, an update on the International Association by Jeff Jones, SR/WA, R/W-NAC, R/W-RAC, R/W-URAC. The program also included presentation of Chapter 10 Scholarships and Awards. After the program, members and their guests tried their luck at casino games by Sertoma, Casinos for Charity. The lucky ones with chips at the end were entered into a drawing for prizes. Thank you to all that attended and our sponsors!





Guests enjoyed casino games.

Chapter 10 Postsecondary Education Scholarships

For the first time, Chapter 10 offered one \$1000 postsecondary education scholarship to a current college student or entering college student for the 2024 term.

The Sponsorship and Scholarship Committee saw the benefit of offering this type of scholarship to a deserving student to assist in their development and desire to enter our industry workforce, and as a way to bring attention of our industry to other students and educators.

To be eligible for this scholarship the student had to be enrolled in an accredited postsecondary institution and have a field of study related to the right of way industry, while maintaining minimum a 3.0 GPA. We were excited to receive applications from two very deserving students. In fact, their applications so impressed all of us on the committee, that we recommended to the Board that both students receive scholarships, of which the Board unanimously agreed. The inaugural recipients of the Chapter 10 Postsecondary Education Scholarship, along with a one year IRWA Student Membership provided by Chapter 10, are:

- Leo Weber, a Freshman Land Surveying major at Vincennes University
- Alex Nealis, a Freshman Land Surveying major at Vincennes University



In 2023 we were happy to announce we would be presenting 5, \$1,000 scholarships to be used towards education courses at the Awards Banquet and Holiday Party. On behalf of the Sponsorship and Scholarship Committee, Ron Barker, SR/WA, Pat McCallister, SR/WA and Myself we want to thank our Sponsors, membership and board members for allowing us this opportunity to give back to the membership.

In 2022 Chapter 10 awarded 5 - \$1,000 scholarships to be used in 2023 for IRWA Education Classes. Of the \$5,000 in scholarship dollars a total of \$4,190 dollars of that scholarship money has been used and 160 credit hours of classes has been taken! That is amazing! Of the 12 classes that were taken 5 of those classes were hosted by Chapter 10!Chapter 10's Education Committee has done a great job of scheduling classes! Please check our website for future classes we are hosting in 2024 and 2025.

The 2024 Ron and Cynde Barker Education Scholarship award winners are:

- Mercedes Arredondo, RWA
- Michael Kuehl
- Chris Roberts, RWA
- Curt Candler, PS
- Zachary Reilly, RWA



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Chapter 10 Professional of the Year Award

The Professional of the Year Award says Indiana Crossroads of America Chapter 10 of the International Right of Way Association for unparallel leadership and professional dedication and selfless acts of time and personal contribution. This year the committee felt there were two standout individuals in Chapter 10 for Professional of the Year.

- John Petkovsek currently serving as Chapter 10's Treasurer and part of Chapter 10's Valuation Committee
- Stephanie Riley serving as Chapter 10's Communications and Relations Chair

John Petkovesk is the President of David Mathews Associates and Senior Appraiser. He has been a member of IRWA Chapter 10 since 2013 and has been in the industry 33 years. John has spoken at chapter programs and appeared on the Eminent Domain and Right of Way Club as a guest.

John has been a leader at regional and local levels of Hoosier State Chapter of the Appraiser State Institute. He is an Indiana Principal Broker License, Indiana Certified General Appraiser, Kentucky Certified General Appraiser, and Practicing Affiliate, Appraisal Institute.

Stephanie Riley has been a member of IRWA Chapter 10 since 2020. She has written articles for the IRWA Magazine, serves on an international committee and serves as a chair on a Chapter 10 committee and attends Chapter 10 and Region programs. Stephanie has played an integral part in revamping Chapter 10's website, organizing and hosting virtual meetings offered for our April and October Program, keeping up with our chapter's social media and creating graphics for our events.





Each year, Chapter 10 recognizes a project that was worked on during the calendar year by an IRWA Chapter 10 member(s) who is a key participant of the project team and nominated by a Chapter 10 member.

This year's project winner was the SR/32 Main Street Construction Project in Westfield, IN.

Right-of-Way Services: WSP USA, Inc.

Right-of-Way Project Manager: Patrick McCallister, SR/WA

Project Originators: City of Westfield and INDOT.

The right-of-way team consisted of two appraisal firms, eValuations and Hazeltine & Associates and one review appraisal firm, JAY Real Estate Services. In total there were 4 appraisers (Lonnie Miller, Glenn Dickerson, Mike Hazeltine, Randy Newman) and one review appraiser, Jim Yott. The team consisted of one buyer, Angela Deddish, SR/WA with Comprehensive Land



Procurement and two relocation agents, Joe Gromosky and Brian Nail both with Boomerang Ventures. All of the firms included at least one employee that is a member of Chapter 10.

Patrick McCallister, SR/WA, Jamie Henry RWP and Kim Smith accepted the award on behalf of WSP.



2024 INDIANAPOLIS ROAD CONSTRUCTION

set to be as busy with construction as 2023. Several major road infrastructure projects will be continued, and several new projects will be coming out for bids. Locations such as Cumberland Road in Fishers, Churchman Ave. in Beech Grove, and 106th Street in Carmel will be impacted. Click the road to find out more!





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EDUCATION

2023 WAS A GREAT YEAR FOR EDUCATION IN CHAPTER 10!
2024 STANDS TO BE EVEN BETTER!! WE HAVE A GREAT LIST
OF IRWA COURSES SCHEDULED OVER THE NEXT 12 MONTHS.
MAKE SURE YOU DON'T DELAY IN GETTING REGISTERED FOR
ANY OF THESE COURSES.

COURSE 900 - PRINCIPLES OF REAL ESTATE ENGINEERING
MARCH 6-7, 2024 - NIPSCO SOUTHLAKE CAMPUS, MERRILLVILLE,
INDIANA
GARY KENT, PS - INSTRUCTOR

REGISTRATION

COURSE 600 – ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS MARCH 8, 2024 – NIPSCO SOUTHLAKE CAMPUS, MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA MARIAN BARNES, SR/WA, MAI – INSTRUCTOR

REGISTRATION

COURSE 218 - ROW ACQUISITION FOR ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION PROJECTS

MAY 9-10, 2024 - SCHNEIDER GEOMATICS, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
MARY ANNE MARR, SR/WA - INSTRUCTOR
REGISTRATION

COURSE 803 - EMINENT DOMAIN LAW BASICS FOR ROW
PROFESSIONALS
AUGUST 19-20, 2024 - SCHNEIDER GEOMATICS, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
RAY HOWD - INSTRUCTOR
REGISTRATION

COURSE 200 - PRINCIPLES OF REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION
AUGUST 27-28, 2024 - NIPSCO SOUTHLAKE CAMPUS, MERRILLVILLE,
INDIANA
MIKE PENICK, SR/WA - INSTRUCTOR
REGISTRATION

COURSE 800 - PRINCIPLES OF REAL ESTATE LAW OCTOBER 10-11, 2024 - NIPSCO SOUTHLAKE CAMPUS, MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA RAY HOWD - INSTRUCTOR REGISTRATION

AND MORE STILL TO COME!!!!

DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF IRWA EDUCATION COURSES THAT YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED THAT YOU WANT TO TAKE OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS?? SEND YOUR LIST TO EDUCATION CHAIR PATRICK MCCALLISTER, SR/WA (PATRICK.MCCALLISTER@WSP.COM) SO THAT HE CAN GET THESE COURSES WORKED INTO THE CHAPTER'S COURSE SCHEDULE.

DID YOU KNOW....

......BY TAKING IRWA EDUCATION COURSES YOU CAN EARN IRWA CERTIFICATIONS/DESIGNATION THAT ARE LOOKED AT AS MARKS OF EXCELLENCE IN THE RIGHT OF WAY INDUSTRY.

.....THAT CHAPTER 10 AWARDED \$7000 IN EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE USED DURING 2024. DON'T MISS OUT ON YOUR CHANCE TO APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2025.

Be sure to check out the
Professional Development
Committee section of this
newsletter for more information,
or reach out to PDC Chair Michelle
Sechman, SR/WA
(Michelle.Sechman@dukeenergy.com) or Education Chair
Patrick McCallister, SR/WA
(Patrick.McCallister@wsp.com) for
more information on how we can
help you achieve these

certifications/designations.





Could the outcome of the 2024 Presidential Election affect major infrastructure projects? President Biden's team says it could.

The Biden Administration has expressed that keeping the 40,000 projects, started under the major infrastructure legislation 2 years ago, funded may depend on the 2024 election outcome. Click the Election Hat to find out more.







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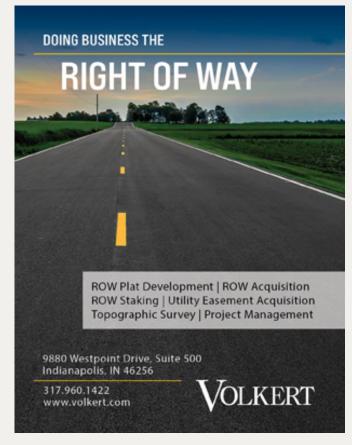
Newsletter advertisements sponsorships last one year and sponsor's preferred logo/info will be displayed in the size chosen in each issue of the Chapter 10 newsletter. Visit the Chapter 10 website for more information.

=Welcome=

NEW MEMBERS

- David Lauer, Wessler Engineering
- Zachary Slavens
- Jeffrey Reidy, WSP
- Aaron Ingram, Valuation Services
- Jason McCort, HNTB

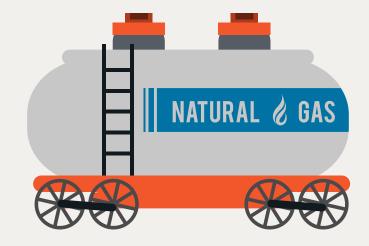




PROPOSED GAS RATE INCREASE FOR NIPSCO

Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission asks for feedback from rate payers through written comments.

Click on the tank to find out more!







2024 CORPORATE SPONSOR CALL OUT!

Chapter 10 is excited to offer the option of yearly corporate sponsorships for our valued organizations. Visit our website for more information, or contact Sponsorships and Scholarships chair, Cindy Candler, PS for details.



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The Chapter 10 Sponsor Board is on full display at Chapter meetings, programs and events and the digital PowerPoint ads run during breaks and lunch. Corporate Sponsors also get homepage advantage on Chapter 10's website and announced at all Chapter events.

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