



IRWA Chapter 7 November General Membership Meeting Thursday, November 7, 2013

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**Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference Center
One Covered Bridge Lane
Frankenmuth, MI 48734**

IRWA Chapter 7 would like to Welcome New Members:

- Mr. Robert J. Hahn w/ Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho
- Mr. Nathaniel R. Krommendyk w/ DTE Energy
- Mr. Christopher L. Lester w/ Gourdie Fraser

Recertification Announcements!

Congratulations to Paul S. Stempin, SR/WA for recertifying his SR/WA designation.

As a professional who knows the value of continuing education, you can be justifiably proud of this important achievement. You are an asset not only to the Association, but to the entire Right of Way professional community. Congratulations!



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Class of 2015

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Program

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Relocation

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Roster

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President's Message

Steve R. Roon, SR/WA, R/W-NAC



Wow....is it October already? What a busy past few months, many great things occurred and I would like to focus on some of my most memorable ones.

Michigan Chapter 7 hosted another wonderful Fall Education Seminar at the Inn at Bay Harbor and the summerlike weather did not disappoint. Thank you to Jeff Jones, SR/WA, Larysa Figol, SR/WA and Laura Stensland, SR/WA for all the hard work and countless hours of planning they put in to make this year's seminar a huge success. I have received a number of compliments on how great the speakers were and how the topics that were presented so passionately would benefit all those who attended. Thanks to the hard work of Andy Boetcher, attendees with Real Estate Brokers / Sales person licenses and Real Estate Appraisal licenses will receive at least 9 hours of Continuing Education! We were even able to get Continuing Education for the Assessors in our membership!

Jeff Jones, SR/WA also coordinated an awesome Course 104 that was held during the day, Wednesday September 25th, before the Fall Education Seminar welcome reception. This class was also approved for Continuing Education for the Real Estate Brokers / Salespersons and Real Estate Appraisers in the group. Thanks again Andy!

The Silent auction that was held the Wednesday evening of the Fall Education Seminar was an unbelievable success! Our Chapter raised almost \$1,700.00 that will be donated, on Chapter 7's behalf, directly to the "Right of Way International Education Foundation" (RWIEF) in Hartford, Connecticut at the 2014 International Education Conference. Thank you to all who participated in the silent auction especially those who donated items to be auctioned. A special thanks to Lynn Hall, SR/WA for her continued service as the sole member on the Silent Auction Committee!

The Fall Region forum took place over the 4th through the 6th of October in Schaumburg, Illinois. Keeping with tradition, the Michigan Chapter 7 Executive Motor Coach, filled with eight Chapter members, cruised in with style to our final destination! The accommodations at the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel were exceptional and many kudos to Laura Moonshower and Indiana Chapter 12 for hosting this great event. The Michigan Executive Motor coach arrived early in the evening on Friday, October 4th and we were invited to a great Hospitality Suite! We had a long yet productive Fall Forum Saturday where many topics were discussed regarding Chapter, Region and International business. The most intriguing to me was the newly created "Communities of Practice" model that I encourage all of you to get involved with. The Region Forum would not have been complete without a trip to Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament where we could indulge in excellent cuisine, informal networking and good old fashioned fun!

Laura Stensland, SR/WA, current Chapter Vice President and Program Chair, is putting the finishing touches on our November 7th General Membership meeting to be held at the Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference Center in Frankenmuth, Michigan. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Again, please take some time to get to know your current Executive Board members and Committee members and the roles for which they are volunteering. Thank them for their service and offer skills or knowledge you possess that may assist us in our new roles, we would love the help! Chapter 7 is a great chapter and has been since 1954, celebrating its 60th year as a Chapter! I am proud to serve this Chapter like the many volunteers that have sacrificed their time over the past 60 years to serve over our Chapter's storied history! Please consider serving YOUR chapter in whatever capacity you can, you will not regret it.

Best Regards,

Steve Roon SR/WA, R/W-NAC
Michigan IRWA Chapter 7 President



IRWA Chapter 7 - November General Membership Meeting
November 7th, 2013
Bavarian Inn Lodge & Conference Center
Frankenmuth, Michigan



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- Phone: 517.740.8936
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Name: _____

Guest/Spouse Name: _____

Company: _____

Total Attendees: ___ X \$45

Total Enclosed: \$ _____



2013 –2014 EVENTS & COURSES TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

October 2013	International Right of Way Month	Worldwide
November 7, 2013	General Membership Meeting	Frankenmuth, MI
December 5, 2013	Executive Board Meeting	TBD
February 6, 2014	Executive Board Meeting	TBD
March 6, 2014	General Membership Meeting	TBD
April 17, 2014	Executive Board Meeting	TBD
April, 2014	Spring Region Forum	TBD
May 15, 2014	General Membership Meeting	TBD
June, 2014	Installation of Officers Banquet	TBD
June 22-25, 2014	Annual Education Conference	Hartford, Connecticut

Mark your calendar!

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SNYDER MAKES APPOINTMENT, REAPPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

Thursday, Sept. 19, 2013

LANSING, Mich. – Gov. Rick Snyder today announced the appointment of Ronald Wheeler, of Dewitt, and the reappointment of Norman Thomas, of Livonia, to the Michigan Board of Real Estate Appraisers.

Housed within the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the nine-member board licenses and regulates the service of more than 6,000 real estate appraisers.

“Ronald and Norman are experienced professionals and I am confident they will do great work on this board,” said Snyder.

Wheeler is president of Wheeler Real Estate Services LLC. He also does quality control and compliance for Midwest Appraisal Management. Previously, Wheeler was vice president of Community First Bank in Lansing and a loan officer with Hackley Union National Bank in Muskegon. Wheeler is a member of the Greater Lansing Association of Realtors, the Michigan Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors. He holds a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Western Michigan University. Wheeler will represent certified residential appraisers and replaces David Molenaar.

Thomas is president and chief appraiser of R.S. Thomas & Associates Inc., where he has worked since 1986. He holds numerous certifications, including the Accredited Senior Appraiser designation from the American Society of Appraisers and the SR/WA designation from the International Right of Way Association. Thomas is past president of the Detroit Chapter of the American Society of Appraisers and past president of the Michigan Chapter of the International Right of Way Association. He holds a bachelor’s degree from Albion College. Thomas will continue to represent certified real estate appraisers.

Members serve four-year terms expiring June 30, 2017, and their appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the state Senate.



Education & Development

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Nothing available at the time of print. Please keep checking the Chapter website for upcoming courses.

In the coming months look for us on:



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