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Chapter 7 Annual Banquet & Installation of Officers
June 1, 2012 ~ Weber's Inn ~ Ann Arbor, MI

3050 Jackson Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI

Registration Details

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Registration Fee: $40.00

Agenda

6:00 p.m. Welcome Reception	
7:00 p.m. Invocation & Dinner	Roland B. Cilke, SR/WA, CPL
8:00 p.m. Business Meeting	Kimberly Tassen, SR/WA, R/W-NAC
2011-2012 President's Address	Kimberly Tassen, SR/WA, R/W-NAC
Installation of 2012-2013 Officers	Mary Anne Marr, SR/WA
Presentation to Past President	Paul E. Sander, SR/WA
2012-2013 President's Address	Paul E. Sander, SR/WA

9:00 p.m. Adjournment

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Director, 1 years
Paul E. Sander, SR/WA
Director, 2 years

President's Chapter Message
Kimberly Tassen,
SR/WA, R/W-NAC

My term as your Chapter 7 President is quickly coming to an end. I want to express my sincere thanks to all chapter members who have made my term a pleasurable and rewarding experience. I truly appreciate all of the friendships and business relationships that I have made as a result of my affiliation with this wonderful professional organization. Michigan has a very strong, active, and passionate chapter with professionals who are dedicated to their work and who care about being effective in what they do enough to take the time to mentor, train, and educate others. Speaking of education, Michigan has a very large group of members who are registered to attend the IRWA education conference in Seattle, Washington this June. We will be there to educate ourselves and help support Pat Petitto when she is installed as International President. Your Chapter officers attended the Region 5 Forum in beautiful French Lick, Indiana in April. This Region meeting was both productive and educational. Chapter 7's Fall Seminar will be held at Shanty Creek Conference Center in Bellaire, Michigan in September. We are looking at getting some fresh new topics for our membership meetings for the new upcoming term. Please contact our incoming Program Chair, Larysa Figol, with any suggestions. Our Educational Chair, Jeff Jones, has been diligently working on offering on average, one educational course per month. Please be sure to check the IRWA website regularly for updated course information. Please be sure to treat yourself to a wonderful dinner and networking by registering now for the Installation of Officers' Banquet on June 1. Again, I want to thank everyone who has touched my life through this organization and who I have worked with to grow this chapter. I had a great team of professionals to work with and appreciate the hard work and dedication.

Kim

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Installation of Officers ~ Registration Form

What:
Installation of Officers

When:
June 1, 2012

Where:
Weber's Inn

Cost:
Registration
$40 per person

To register, please contact Chapter 7 Secretary, Michael Schutz:

- Mail: Paul E Sander, 15851 Pleasant, Allen Park, MI 48101
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- Phone: 313-407-7134
- Make check payable to: Chapter 7 IRWA

Menu Selection

Name:_____ Prime Rib____Whitefish___

Guest/Spouse Name:_____ Prime Rib____Whitefish___

Company:_____

Total Attendees: ___ X $40 Total Enclosed: $_____

2012–2013 EVENTS SCHEDULE

June 1, 2012	Installation of Officers Banquet	Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor
June 10-13, 2012	Annual Education Conference	Seattle, Washington
August 16, 2012	Executive Board Meeting	OHM, Livonia
September 26, 2012	Executive Board Meeting	Shanty Creek, Bellaire, MI
Sept. 26 — 28, 2012	Fall Education Seminar	Shanty Creek, Bellaire, MI
Sept. 28—--30, 2012	Fall Region Forum	Charleston, West Virginia
October	International Right of Way Month	Worldwide
November 8, 2012	General Membership Meeting	Zehnder's, Frankenmuth
December 6, 2012	Executive Board Meeting	WCRC, Ann Arbor
February 7, 2013	Executive Board Meeting	JR Group, LLC, Detroit
March 7, 2013	General Membership Meeting	Weber's Inn, Ann Arbor
April 25, 2013	Executive Board Meeting	Commonwealth, Jackson
TBD	Spring Region Forum	Wisconsin
May 9, 2013	General Membership Meeting	TBD
June ____, 2013	Installation of Officers Banquet	TBD
June 23—-26, 2013	Annual Education Conference	Charleston, West Virginia

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"Every man owes some of his time to the upbuilding of the profession to which he belongs." - Theodore Roosevelt

EDUCATION CONFERENCE
SEATTLE
JUNE 10-13, 2012

Welcome to the International Right of Way Association's 58th Annual International Education Conference held i tle, WA, at the Westin Seattle.We invite you to attend this valuable industry event and take advantage of the ma ucational and learning opportunities, as well as the networking events that have been planned just for you.Plea free to contact us if you have any specific questions regarding the annual conference, and check our website oft updates regarding our plans as we continue mapping out your educational event of the year!

Sincerely, Your 2012 Conference Planning Committee

Sunday June 10	Monday June 11	Tuesday June 12	Wednesday June 13
Registration 7:00 am – 6:30 pm	**Registration** 7:00 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** 7:00 am – 8:00 am	**SR/WA Recognition Breakfast and Featured 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** 8:00 am – 11:30 am	**Educational Sessions** 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	**Finnegan Fun Run** 7:00 am – 9:00 am
First Time Attendees' Orientation 12:45 pm – 1:45 pm	**Exhibit Hall Open** 9:45 am – 11:30 am	**Foundations Golf Tournament** 10:00 am – 5:00 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	**International Luncheon** 11:30 am – 1:15 pm	**Educational Sessions** 8:00 am – 11:30 am
Opening Ceremony/Meeting of Members and Keynote Speaker Joe Calloway 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	**Educational Sessions** 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm	**Educational Sessions** 1:00 pm – 5:00 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	**Incoming President's Reception** 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	**Installation Banquet Reception** 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Welcome Networking Reception 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	**Auction/Casino Night** 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm	**Sponsored Receptions** 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	**Installation Banquet and Dance** 7:00 pm - midnight

Visit www.irwaonline.org for registration details!!

EDUCATION CONFERENCE

Opening Ceremony Speaker

Sunday, June 10, 2012

Joe Calloway is a performance expert who helps companies align people, culture and strategy to drive results.

He is the author of four ground-breaking business books including the best-selling *Becoming A Category of One,* which received rave reviews from The New York Times, Retailing Today,

Publishers Weekly and many others.

He has been inducted into the Speakers Hall of Fame, but he doesn't do traditional "speeches." Instead, Joe actively engages people in highly interactive keynotes and workshops that challenge assumptions and create new ways of thinking.

Joe is a guest lecturer at the Scarlett Leadership Institute, and has served on the faculty of the Center for Professional Development at Belmont University.

SR/WA Breakfast Speaker

Tuesday, June 12, 2012

Michael Josephson, a former lawyer, law professor, and successful businessman, is one of the nation's most respected and sought-after speakers and consultants in the field of ethics and character in business and the workplace. In 1993, Michael created CHARACTER COUNTS!, a character development strategy for youth based on universal ethical values called the Six Pillars of Character (trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship).

Michael, who is the president of the Joseph & Edna Josephson Institute of Ethics, a nonprofit organization he founded in 1987, is frequently interviewed and profiled by major media organizations including CNN, Nightline, Dateline, ABC World News, Good Morning America, Today, The Wall Street Journal, USA Today, Los Angeles Times, and Time. He has written seven books including *Making Ethical Decisions, Living the Credo: Making Decisions the Johnson & Johnson Way*, and *You Don't Have to Be Sick to Get Better!*

Hotel Rates

NOTE: A first night's deposit will be collected when you book your reservation. Checks and major credit cards are accepted to establish prepayment.

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Standard Room	$222	$252	$282

Rates are good through Thursday, May 14, 2012, or until room block is sold out.

Registration Rates (all rates are listed in US$)

	By March 23	March 24 - May 11	After May 11
Member - Full Registration	$475	$575	$650
Non-Member - Full Registration	$575	$675	$750
Daily Registration (per day)	$200	$225	$250
Companion	$250	$250	$300

Visit www.irwaonline.org for registration details!!

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Annual Education Conference ~ Seattle

Young Professionals Educational Event

Date: **Friday, June 8 - Sunday, June 10, 2012**

Location:
Westin Seattle
1900 Fifth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101
www.westinseattle.com

	Feb. 1 - May 11	After May 11
Registration Fee (USD)	$195	$225

REGISTRATION AVAILABLE NOW!

Registration Fee includes:

- YP Networking Welcome Reception (Friday)
- Educational Sessions (Saturday-Sunday)
- Breaks (Saturday-Sunday)
- Lunch (Saturday)
- Networking Opportunities with IRWA Leadership
- IRWA Annual Conference Opening Ceremonies (Sunday)
- IRWA Annual Conference Exhibit Hall (Sunday)
- IRWA Annual Conference Networking Welcome Reception (Sunday)

About Young Professionals...

This group is composed of individuals 30 and under in the right of way industry. The event was created specifically for this group to assist in the continued learning, leading among other professionals, and advancing in your careers.

The 2012 Event is intentionally placed immediately prior to the Association's Annual International Education Conference to allow attendees of the Young Professionals Event (YPE) to participate in part, or all of the Annual Conference activities.

Visit www.irwaonline.org for registration details!!

Region 5 Forum ~ French Lick, IN

This year's region forum was held in French Lick, Indiana.

Left Side, Front to Back: Kim Tassen, SR/WA, R/W-NAC; Patricia Petitto, SR/WA, R/W-RAC; Mary Anne Marr, SR/WA; Jeff Jones, SR/WA, R/W-NAC, R/W-RAC, R/W-URAC;

Right Side, Front to Back: Cynde Barker, Ron Barker, Marcella and Brad Krabel.

Michigan's Collaborative Stakeholder Initiative on Land Cleanup and Redevelopment

Since the 1990s, Michigan's environmental cleanup programs, Part 201 and Part 213 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, have undergone numerous changes to improve their effectiveness and efficiency. In November 2011, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Michigan State University Extension and external consultants developed a collaborative governance process to move Michigan's cleanup and redevelopment program forward.

Issue groups which included MDEQ staff and experienced external practitioners were formed to develop recommendations for improvement of the cleanup and redevelopment program in seven areas. These areas included: "brownfield redevelopment, cleanup criteria, due care obligations, free product/source removal/Csat, groundwater surface water interface, Part 201 rules and vapor intrusion." Over 90 recommendations were compiled by the issue groups.

These recommendations and other information relating to this process are set forth in a March 14, 2012 report entitled "Reinventing the State's Cleanup and Redevelopment Program." The MDEQ will consider the recommendations in this report as the agency tries to improve the cleanup and redevelopment program in Michigan. A copy of the report is available at http://michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-rrd-CSI-FinalCSIReport3-14-2012_379271_7.pdf.

-Submitted by William Horn, Esq.

Company Hits A Home Run

Consumers Energy has hit the ball out of the park with sports fans and customers in Saginaw Township.

The North Saginaw Little League opened its season on April 27 with new fencing and a new sign made possible by Consumers Energy's electric asset management and real estate departments.

"The township and Little League are ecstatic that they now have a large 5-foot by 10-foot professional sign," said Rob Bourgeois, business services real estate, east zone land manager.

The park sits on 23 acres of company property, east of a Consumers Energy substation. The substation occupies about three acres.

"In the 1950s, the company licensed the substation property to Saginaw Township for a park," Bourgeois explained. "In the 1960s the Little League started using it. Over the course of six decades, the park evolved into a gorgeous baseball complex."

The park has five baseball diamonds, lights, two concession stands, concrete block dugouts, stations for scorers, and electronic scoreboards on two fields.

After receiving a phone call in 2011 that the Little League wanted to build a new concession stand at the park, Bourgeois and employees from the electric asset management team went to take a look.

That visit revealed some public safety concerns. A fence in the outfield needed to be relocated. Changes also needed to be made to safely allow access to our equipment to allow them to continue to use the facility.

Consumers, Saginaw Township, and the North Saginaw Township Little League worked together, and the changes were completed one week before opening day at the ballpark.

"At the same time, we noticed there was no hint of recognition for Consumers Energy for letting them use this property all these years at no cost," said Tom Begin, public affairs area manager.

Most residents, including the groundskeeper, didn't know that the property belonged to Consumers Energy. Bourgeois asked if they would like a sign for the park.

"Three generations have played ball there," Bourgeois said. "We want people to know we're part of the reason the park is there."

The leaders of the North Saginaw Little League thought it was a great idea.

"We now have recognition, they have continued use of the facilities, it's safe, and we have access to our equipment," Begin said.

Submitted by Laura Stensland, SR/WA, RW-

It's time to play ball!

Education & Development

Register Today for Upcoming Courses!

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August 2, 2012
Course 304
When Public Agencies Collide
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See www.irwamichigan.org for details

September 26, 2012
Course 406B
7 Hour National USPAP
Shanty Creek ~ Bellaire, MI
(in conjunction with 2012
Fall Education Seminar)

Andy Reed, SR/WA presenting SR/WA plaque to Laura Stensland, SR/WA, R/W-NAC

Laura Stensland Receives SR/WA

Laura Stensland, Land Manager for Consumers Energy received her SR/WA designation. Laura also earned her Asset Management Certification this year.

Congratulations, Laura!

ANNOUCEMENT REGARDING FACILITATOR RECERTIFICATION

At its June 11, 2011 meeting, the IRWA's International Governing Council approved changes that will affect your status as a facilitator. Effective July 1, 2012, you will be required to:

- Sign a Facilitator Agreement with the IRWA. (The agreement has yet to be written.). It will reference and incorporate a New Facilitators' Policy Book that is also now being written;

- Attend and pass either Course 219, Introduction to Presentation, Instruction, and Facilitation, or the Facilitator Clinic before June 30, 2017; and

- Complete continuing education **every five years** by attending and passing either Course 219, Introduction to Presentation, Instruction, and Facilitation, or the Facilitator Clinic. (It's your choice which course you want to take unless the International Professional Development Committee (IPDC) specifically directs you to attend the Facilitator Clinic.) This is a separate requirement for all IRWA facilitators and the course can also apply to continuing education for your SR/WA designation or certification.

Course 219, Introduction to Presentation, Instruction, and Facilitation, is currently scheduled to be presented in **Seattle in conjunction with the Annual Conference in June**, which will allow you to promptly fulfill this new Facilitator requirement. It will also be offered in additional locations later this year. The new Facilitator Clinic will also be offered later this year.

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Address Correction Requested

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