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CHAPTER 28

NEWSLETTER

President's Desk—Kenneth R. Anderssohn, SR/WA

Greetings from your Chapter President!
First of all, I want to thank the members of Chapter 28 for your support during the past couple of years since I got involved with the IRWA. There is a great basin of knowledge and experience amongst our membership that I intend to tap into. Together, we can utilize this vast reservoir of knowledge to benefit our Chapter members and enhance the value of IRWA membership and the SR/WA designation. During this next year, my goal is to re-energize our membership and get more members involved with the Chapter business of providing a quality educational experience for all of us. I think it is high time that we find some help for Kaye Bockmann. Kaye has been invaluable to our Chapter over the years selflessly serving on the PDC and Education Committees. She has single-handedly set our education calendar, recruited coordinators and facilitators, located classrooms and worked closely with Headquarters in marketing all of our classes. This year, Kaye is the PDC Chairperson as well as Education Committee Chairperson. PLEASE ASK AROUND AND HELP ME FIND A NEW EDUCATION COM-

MITTEE CHAIRPERSON!
Another goal of mine this year is to review and update our Chapter Bylaws to clarify some issues that have come up over the past couple of years regarding the composition of the Board, meetings, and committee structure. The Bylaws Committee has met at least once and we are well on our way to producing a final product to present to all of our members in late September/early October.
Finally, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of Steven Warburton as the Production Manager of our Chapter 28 Newsletter. I told him early on in my term as President Elect last year that if he did not get contributions from our members, then don't publish the quarterly newsletter. Well, Steven has received very little publishable material from our members, but still has found a way to come through for us.
As I mentioned at the beginning of this article, we have a huge pool of experienced right of way and right of way industry related professionals in our chapter; it is a shame that we cannot get enough publishable material to produce a quarterly newslet-

ter. Please take a serious look at what you and/or your employer is currently involved in, real case studies, project nightmares or successes, etc. and tell us about it. It doesn't have to be a book, even just a few sentences or paragraphs will be adequate.
Thank you all for your tremendous support, I look forward to serving you again this year as President of Chapter 28.

-Ken

NEXT CHAPTER BOARD MEETING
October 2, 2013
4:30pm
Flood Control District
2801 W. Durango Street
Phoenix, AZ 85009
If you plan of attending please RSVP to:
President@irwachapter28.org

NEXT MEMBER MEETING/LUNCHEON
November 12, 2013
11:30am
SRP PERA Club
1 E. Continental Drive
Tempe, AZ 85281
\$15.00 (Cash or Check)

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**Congratulations to our 2012
Chapter 28 Awards Recipients**



**Special Services Award —
*Ken Anderssohn, SR/WA &
Vance Tuttle***

**Professional of the Year —
*Steven Warburton, SR/WA***



Employer of the Year — *City of Chandler*
Accepting for the City of Chandler—Erich Kuntze & Sharon Joyce, SR/WA



CONGRATULATIONS SALT RIVER PROJECT 2013 IRWA EMPLOYER OF THE YEAR



Patricia Petitto, SR/WA, R/W-RAC, 2012-2013 IRWA International President & Rebekah Louis, SR/WA, SRP



GREETINGS FROM CHARLSTON, WEST VIRGINIA

Kenneth R. Anderssohn, SR/WA

Monday, June 24, 2013



It's Monday morning and as I sip my coffee in the lobby of the Best Western motel, I review what has transpired since I arrived at Yeager Airport early Saturday evening. Charleston, the state capitol, is a beautifully green, hilly, small city (just over 50,000) along the Kanawha (pronounced Canaw) River. Getting around is fairly simple, the airport is only 5 miles from downtown and our motel.

On Saturday night, I found a sports bar and grill called "Recovery" by a Ramada Inn to eat dinner and dined while watching the Chicago Blackhawks play the Boston Bruins in game 5 of the Stanley Cup finals and the Diamondbacks play the Cincinnati Reds as the FOX game of the week. By the way, our Diamondbacks, as they have done all season, came back in the bottom of the ninth inning and beat the Reds after giving up an 8th inning lead. It was all the more enjoyable because there was a small group of very vocal Reds fans sitting near me.

I made an airport run at 10:30 pm after watching the games to pick up our outgoing chapter President, Vance. I chose to take a

route to the airport that included a short 1.5 mile stretch on the interstate near our motel. As I approached my exit ramp, I noticed a long line of cars and pickup trucks parked along the shoulder of the interstate, as well as along the exit ramp to Greenbrier Road. As I

pulled my rental car up to the stop light to turn left on Greenbrier Road, I could see the State Capitol building (a replica of the US Capitol building) and watched briefly as fireworks lit up the night sky behind it. There were cars and trucks lining both sides of Greenbrier Road as well. This is what small town America is all about, as I thought to myself, you would never see this happen in Phoenix. I was kind of sad as the traffic signal turned green, because the fireworks "grand finale" was just beginning.

On Sunday morning, after eating breakfast at the Best Western, Vance and I made the short drive to the Charleston Convention Center to register for the 59th International Conference. The opening session for the conference started at 2:00 pm and after conducting some business and being welcomed by our International President, Ms. Pat Petitto, the keynote speaker took the stage. For about an hour, Joe Malarkey, a man who calls himself the "Worst Motivational Speaker in America", gave us his take on a variety of topics. What a hoot! Here is a man who speaks eloquently about the "Upside" of down, how when

he was looking for a job, he wasn't really looking for work, how he is not really into continuous improvement because it is hard work and takes up his entire day, and how to consistently deliver bad customer service. This is really funny stuff; if you have time, put his name in the You Tube search bar and watch some of his videos.

The focus of his presentation is poking fun at the corporate world and making us think about ourselves in a new and different way. He wraps up his talk asking his audience about "Success." He says if you ask 10 people what the opposite of "Success" is, he says invariably, you will get 10 answers that "Failure" is the opposite of "Success." He's right about everyone answering that "Failure" is the opposite of "Success" don't you think? But, Joe disagrees. He says that the opposite of "Success" is not "Failure" but is "quitting", sitting on the couch and doing nothing. Ask yourself how many successful people you know that have never failed, and you can see his point. He ends his speech with a funny anecdote about Thomas Edison, whom we all know is credited with inventing the light bulb. Joe says that Edison failed hundreds of times before successfully building his light bulb. But did Mr. Edison quit trying? No, according to Joe Malarkey, "Thomas Edison wrote that he successfully discovered hundreds of ways *not* to invent the light bulb." (Joe adds that, at least that's what we think Edison wrote, after all, he was writing in the dark you know!)

Think about it....

2013-2014 INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



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CHAPTER 28 EDUCATION CALENDAR

Nov 2013—C-700 : Introduction to Property/Asset Management Nov 18-19
C-701 : Property/Asset Management: Leasing Nov 20-21

Jan 2014—SR/WA Review & Exam

Visit IRWADonline.org for information on Courses offered in Tucson & outside of Arizona.

Member Announcements

Congratulations to our newest SR/WA's

Mona Cervantes, SR/WA
City of Phoenix

Sandy McGeorge, SR/WA
Town of Queen Creek

John Dutch, SR/WA
Wilson & Company

Catherine Hartman, SR/WA
Salt River Project

Welcome our new 2013 Members

Sheri Pilgram-Woods, City of Mesa
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George Doimas, Maricopa County Assessor
Teresa Grombacher, Atkins North America

ACTUAL NEWS HEADLINES

Plane Too Close to Ground, Crash Probe Told

-Iraqi Head Seeks Arms

-Man Struck by Lightning Faces Battery Charge

-Something Went Wrong in Jet Crash, Expert Says

-Farmer Bill Dies in House

-Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over

-Hospitals are Sued by 7 Foot Doctors

-Miners Refuse to Work after Death

-Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalkers

-Two Soviet Ships Collide, One Dies

-If Strike isn't Settled Quickly, It May Last a While

-Cold Wave Linked to Temperatures

-Red Tape Holds Up New Bridge

-Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead

-Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant

-Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft

-Include your Children when Baking Cookies

-War Dims Hope for Peace

-Teacher Strikes Idle Kids

-Shot Off Woman's Leg Helps Nicklaus to 66

-Stolen Painting Found by Tree

-Killer Sentenced to Die for Second Time in 10 Years

-Steals Clock, Faces Time

-Old School Pillars are Replaced by Alumni

-Kids Make Nutritious Snacks

-Arson Suspect is Held in Massachusetts Fire

-Ban On Soliciting Dead in Trotwood

-Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half

-Air Head Fired

-Chef Throws His Heart into Helping Feed Needy

-Bank Drive-in Window Blocked by Board

-Federal Agents Raid Gun Shop, Find Weapons



WANTED

Course Coordinators

Attention Kachina Chapter 28 Members

Chapter 28 is looking for Course Coordinators for upcoming classes. The benefit to Coordinating a Course is that you don't pay for the class – it is FREE!!

There are four requirements to becoming a Certified Course Coordinator:

1. You must be a member in Good Standing
2. You must have access to email and the internet
3. You must complete the on-line training (at no charge to you!)
4. You must successfully pass the 25 question exam with a grade of 70% or more.

If you are interested in obtaining Certification or want to learn more about the Course Coordinator program, please contact:

Chapter 28 Education Chair at education@irwachapter28.org

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ARTICLE
HERE**

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THE BACKPAGE

Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy.

-Norman Vincent Peale, American Minister & Author (1898-1993)

The Raise

Sam walks into his boss's office. "Sir, I'll be straight with you, I know the economy isn't great, but I have over three companies after me, and I would like to respectfully ask for a raise." After a few minutes of haggling the boss finally agrees to a 5% raise, and Sam happily gets up to leave. "By the way", asks the boss as Sam is getting up, "which three companies are after you?" "The electric company, water company, and phone company", Sam replied....

CLIPPINGS

Kids Can Be Taught to Eat Right



...innocentenglish.com

So, there was this squirrel

TECO and Tampa explain the water plant failure that led to a boil-water advisory

Genetic research

Official: Camera citations

Meeting on open meetings is closed

Army vehicle disappears

AN Australian Army vehicle worth \$74,000 has gone missing after being painted with camouflage. Police are seeking public help to find the four-wheel drive, which was

Woman in sumo wrestler suit assaulted her ex-girlfriend in gay pub after she waved at man dressed as a Snickers bar



Psychic arrested again

Still didn't see it coming

Staff Writer

City unsure why the sewer smells

By KRISTIN MAY

Bugs flying around with wings are flying bugs

By Wayne Hansen, Redwood Co. Extension Educator

Riddles...

- Q. What gets wetter the more it dries? A. A Towel
- Q. What do you call a deer with no eyes? A. I have no I-Deer
- Q. Which word in the dictionary is spelled incorrectly? A. Incorrectly
- Q. What had four wheels and flies? A. A garbage truck
- Q. What has a bottom at its top? A. A leg
- Q. What grows down when it grows up? A. A goose
- Ever Wonder?
- If you try to fail, and succeed, which have you done?
- Why is it that doctors call what they do "practice"?

Have a joke, quote or tip for the back page?
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