



## Dear IRWA Members and Friends,

It has been a great pleasure and wonderful opportunity to serve as your President this past year. Where did the time go!? It has been a great ride. Thank you all!

It feels odd to reflect and re-cap a year in Mid-May when the 2017 year is just getting into the swing of things. Now is the time to look forwards, not look back! It is the Spring!

So rather than look back, I say, let's build upon our past but look forward. Over the past several years in general, not just under my Presidency, but really over the past several years we as a Chapter have done some really neat stuff! We have seen Chili Rivalries flourish. We have shot a lot of guns. We have had meetings all over the state at various parks and venues. We have held Education Symposiums to further our grass-roots understanding of how things are done in Kentucky.

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### 2016-2017 OFFICERS

President	Matt Chapman, MAI
Vice President	Otto Spence, MAI, SR/WA
Treasurer	Jessica Grivna
Secretary	Judy Mitchell
International Director	Wayne Kimbel
International Director	Leigh Karr, SR/WA

### 2016-2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Communication and Marketing	Wayne Kimbel
Education	Mike Penick, SR/WA, R/W-EC
Engineering Liaison	Debby Taylor
Ethics and Professional Development	William L. Busch, SR/WA
Land & Economic Studies	Wallace McConnell
Local Public Agency	James R. Wray
Membership and Roster	Ron Geveden
Newsletter Editor	Delana Gideons
Relocation and Website	Chad Cutsinger, SR/WA
Transportation	Bruce K. Napier
Utilities	Tim Wiley
Valuation	Rick Baumgardner

We have put on IRWA classes and help Members get designated or further their professional educations. We have attended Regional and National Conferences and we have hosted conferences. Most importantly, we have built upon our network of friends and colleagues and furthered our understanding in our respective fields.

Our goal as a Board is to add value to our Members. We are here to serve you and make this organization as meaningful and valuable as possible to you. I sincerely hope we have done a fine job at that.

Moving forward, I encourage everyone in our Chapter to build upon the past. We have had great attendance and turn out at a number of events. While the Board may be able to plan an event, it is your attendance that makes that event special and worthwhile. Thank you all for making this such an amazing year!

I encourage continued participation. Further, if you want to write a newsletter article, do it. If you want to volunteer for a committee or to serve on the Board, do it. If you want to attend more events or education, do it. If you want to attend a Regional or National Convention, do it. Expand your horizons. The more you are involved, the greater your benefit will be. There is a lot of opportunity within this organization on both a local and International level but it is not going to come to you unless you go to it.

In June at the Installation Luncheon we will officially swear out our existing Board, and then we will officially swear in our New Board. And while there will be a lot official swearing, I hope everyone can attend and support our New Board for 2017-2018. It will be a lot of fun.

Thank you again!

Sincerely,

*Matt Chapman*

2016-2017 Chapter 25 President

# Welcome

## TO OUR NEW CHAPTER 25 MEMBERS!

**CHAD BOURKE**, Louisville — Strand Associates

**JAMEY CASH**, Louisville—Strand Associates

**CAROL EYERMAN**, Bowling Green—ROW Acquisitions & Legal

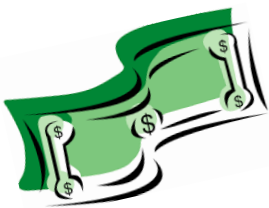
**JAYSON GARDNER**, Cincinnati—Project Manager, O.R. Colan

**JACOB GRABEEL**, MAI

**GLEN KATZ**, Louisville-Realty Solutions Co.

**DEBORAH SMITH**, Louisville

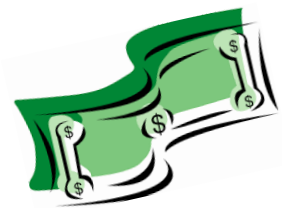
**SETH RODRIGUEZ**, Pennsylvania – Percheron



### **CALL FOR ARTICLES!**

\$100 will go to the Article of the Year  
(to be awarded at the Christmas Party).

To submit a piece, email  
[Delana.Gideons@lge-ku.com](mailto:Delana.Gideons@lge-ku.com)



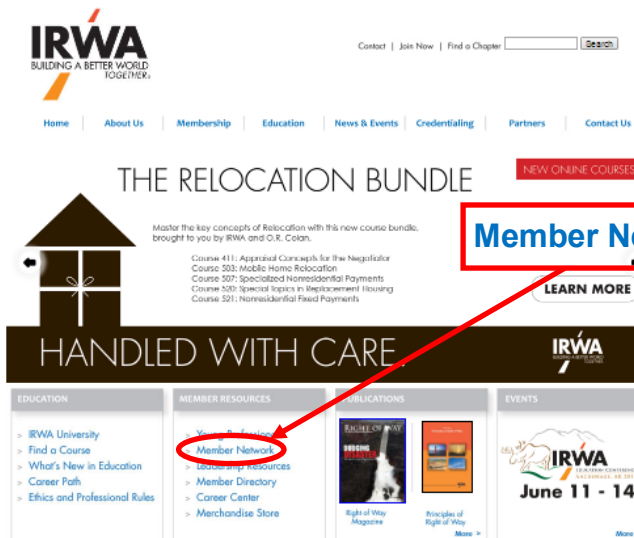
# CHECK OUT OUR **NEW** WEBSITE AT **IRWA25.ORG**

New look, and now mobile friendly for easier access to our Current News and Events, quick links to RSVP and an easy payment process for Membership events.

While you're there, scroll down and "LIKE" us on Facebook!



## HAVE YOU SEEN IRWA'S ONLINE FORUM?



Take part in the open discussion and learn about issues industry professionals are facing all around the world. There are two ways to access the forum:

1. Visit the IRWA Homepage at **irwaonline.org**  
Locate the Member Resources Box and Select Member Network, as shown to the left.
2. At **Membernetwork.irwaonline.org**  
Sign in with your existing Email Address and password registered with the IRWA.



# A Note on Professional Development

The current SR/WA Review Study Session and Exam is intended for SR/WA candidates under the old program. The review study session and the capstone exam given at the end of the review class is not intended for individuals under the new program.

The new Industry Pathway Certification Program has four different capstone exams — one for each industry pathway. But unlike the old Generalist Program, the new program currently has no review class for the capstone exam. However, for individuals under the new program, the current SR/WA Review Study Session is a good general review to add to their own focused study of materials. But they should not take the SR/WA comprehensive exam at the end of the class.

Under the new program, the capstone exam is taken after completing all the required coursework because the exam questions are based on the specific courses they completed as part of the Industry Pathway. Since the new program will test the material taken in their specific industry, it is highly suggested that they review the material from each of those courses in detail on their own.

**Written By: Francis Vicente, Manager—Credentialing**

# **MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING AT MESH RESTAURANT**



**President Matt Chapman welcoming members to the meeting and introducing our speaker.**



**Speaker Linda Solley-Kanipe with the Louisville Regional Airport Authority Relocation Office.**



**Vice President Otto Spence capturing members attention with important Chapter updates.**



**Another great turnout for the Membership Meeting.**

# Overview: Region 5 Spring Forum

Wayne Kimbel | International Director

On April 28<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, your intrepid President, Matt Chapman, MAI, along with International Directors Leigh Karr, SR/WA and I, Wayne Kimbel, ventured to the 2017 IRWA Region 5 Spring Forum. This Forum was hosted by the IRWA Illinois Chapter 12 at the Crowne Plaza Conference Center located in Rosemont, Illinois near O'Hare Airport. The venue and facility quality for the Forum could not have been more ideal for this event. The Forum included the International President and Region 5's very own Mary Anne Marr, SR/WA as well as the Executive Vice President, Jeff Jones SR/WA, also hailing from Region 5. Kudos to Cassy Beary, Chapter 12 President, for her fine work in overseeing the planning for this Forum. Praise also to Kris Koehler, Region 5 INEC representative and immediate past Chapter 12 President, along with their other Board members for all the work to make it a success. The Forum came on the heels of a successful symposium sponsored by Chapter 12 on April 28<sup>th</sup> titled "International Electric and Utility Symposium". Several attendees I spoke with gave it very high marks.

The hospitality extended to other Region 5 chapters began with a gathering on the evening of April 28<sup>th</sup> where attendees connected and reconnected with those from other chapters. The core business session on April 29<sup>th</sup> included details on the proper manner in which all IRWA chapters and regions should be conducting elections as well as supporting documentation important for them. One valuable take-away was a handbook developed by IRWA for Chapter Presidents, both incoming and outgoing. It included the management and fiscal responsibilities that need to be shouldered by that office. The list is quite extensive, but a key core theme is "delegation". The submission of proper reports to International headquarters was stressed and a sample spreadsheet from an unidentified region showed a varying level of compliance. Chapters receive financial incentives for compliance so it pays to heed those terms and deadlines. Chapter 25 has been diligent in that regard and with new clarification on certain elements will improve going forward.

A draft of highlights for the Fiscal 2018 budget was reviewed that gave summary of assumptions. There were anticipated revenue increases in some categories; decreases in others. Classroom and online education is expected to rise and along with memberships. Declines are predicted in investments and conference income. Expense increase are primarily in education and costs of benefits. One highlight of the Forum for me and many others was a presentation on proper Parliamentary rules by Deborah A. Underwood, President of the Illinois Association of Parliamentarians. I didn't know such a profession existed, but her details of what organizations should be doing vs the typical processes was eye opening. Chapter 25 will be revisiting its Board meeting protocol to make sure it conforms better to the rules.

Brad Krabel SR/WA was awarded the Region 5 Professional of the Year. Brad did his usual fun auction of various items to raise a bit of funds for the IRWA RWIEF fund. Ron Barker SR/WA gave a summary of the state of the fund, which is strong with a large infusion occurring at the last conference in Nashville, TN. The Forum concluded with a review of the upcoming International conference in Anchorage, Alaska along with some discussion on the bidding process for the 2022 conference from Charlotte, NC, Denver, CO, and Cleveland, OH. The buzz at the Forum was touting Cleveland, of course.

I've included a sheet (below) that shows the Key Measures for IRWA income for past periods. These numbers tell the source of funds and membership data for the organization by category. Take a few minutes and look it over.

		Key Measures FY 2016 - 17			
		Jul 2015 - Feb 2016	Jul 2016 - Feb 2017	Jul 2016 - Feb 2017	% of Budget
		Actual	Actual	Budget	
Income	Total Income:	2,973,793	2,836,522	3,118,797	91%
	Net Income:	\$316,948	\$25,157	\$174,701	14%
Membership	Membership Income:	\$1,287,354	\$1,276,414	\$1,335,566	96%
	Number of Members: (Agencies, Senior, At Large & Regular)	9,343	9,324	9,608	97%
	Total Number of Members (All Dues Paying Members)	10,926	10,862	11,118	98%
Education	Course Income: (Classroom Courses)	\$696,885	\$585,311	\$773,020	76%
	Number of Class Participants:	3,408	2,573	4,005	64%
	Average Class Size	15.5	13.5	15.0	90%
	Course Income: (IRWA Online Courses)	\$679,220	\$655,007	\$717,414	91%
	Number of Online Participants: (IRWA Courses)	2,258	2,426	2301	105%
Credentialing	Credentialing Income	\$64,067	\$69,745	\$69,667	100%
	Designated (SRWA)	2062	2068	N/A	N/A
	Certified (Other Than SRWA)	1248	1307	N/A	N/A

February-17

**Chapter 25 will be hosting the Spring 2018 Forum, and work is already underway in the planning for the event. I encourage all members to offer ideas and a helping hand in making it a great success. As the old saying**



# REGION 5 SPRING FORUM



Brad Krabel  
(shown on the  
right) of Chapter  
10 receiving the  
Professional of  
the Year Award.



Salut! Cheers  
from Region 5  
Spring Forum  
attendees  
spending some  
time on  
Saturday night  
at the Hofbrau  
House (top and  
bottom).

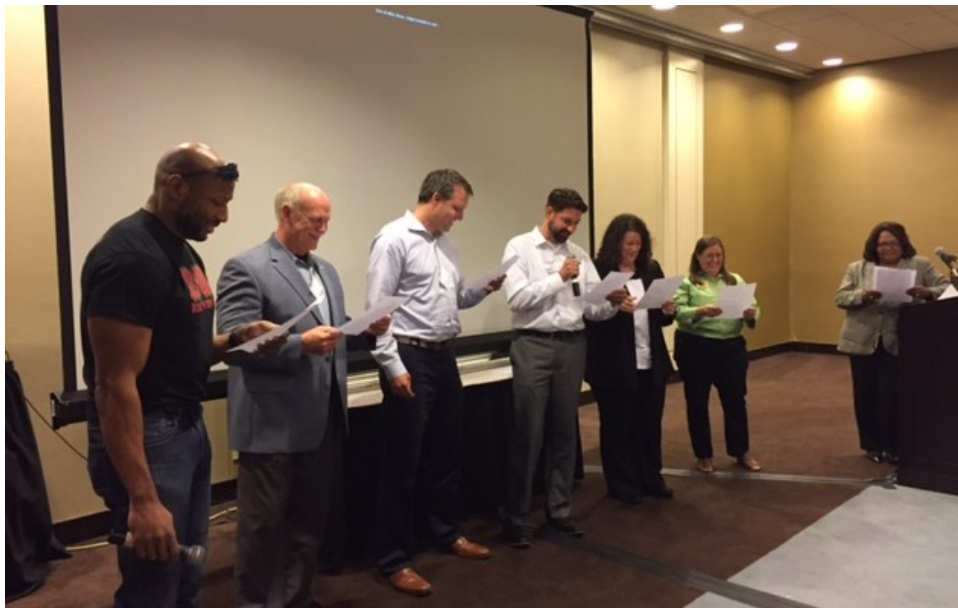




Mark Rieck, CEO of IRWA, addressing the Spring Forum.



Chapter 25's Wayne Kimbel, Matt Chapman and Leigh Karr with Region 5 Chair, Greg Mathias from Chapter 10 (second from left).



Matt role playing about proper Parliamentary procedures.



# SAVE *the* DATE

02 JUNE

**Friday, June 2nd**

**Chapter 25 Installation of Officers and Membership Meeting**

Begins at Noon and Lunch at 1:00 pm

At BBC Four Roses Bourbon Barrel Loft, Louisville. RSVP. \*\*

11 JUNE

**Sunday—Wednesday, June 11-14th**

**IRWA's 63rd Annual International Education Conference**

Anchorage, Alaska — Registration is still open at [www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org).

The *SR/WA Recognition Breakfast* will be held on Tuesday. Members awarded SR/WA from 5/1/2016 to 4/30/2017 are invited to attend but must reserve a seat by RSVPing to Nathan Cruzado at [cruzado@irwaonline.org](mailto:cruzado@irwaonline.org).

04 AUG

**Friday, August 4th**

**State of the State and Membership Meeting**

At Parklands of Floyds Fork, Louisville — Details to come soon.

29 SEPT

**Saturday, September 29th**

**Fall 2017 Region 5 Forum**

Cleveland, Ohio. More details to come soon.

TBD

**Saturday, December**

**Annual Chapter 25 Christmas Party**

Details to come.

\*\* = See attached flier .

## BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

**JUNE 2ND** — 10:30am at BBC Four Roses Bourbon Barrel Loft

**JULY 14TH** — Noon at Louisville Water Company

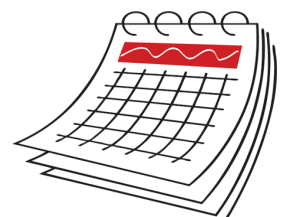
**AUG 4TH** — 10:30am at Parklands, Beckley Creek

**SEP 8TH** — 1pm at Qk4

**OCT 6TH** — 1pm, Location TBD

**NOV 3RD** — Noon at Qk4

**DEC** — No Board Meeting









# International Right of Way Association Chapter 25

## IRWA Chapter 25 Election Ballot for 2017 / 2018 Officers

At our March 2017 General Membership Meeting the following Nominees were submitted for Chapter Officers positions.

In the event of a tie, a vote will be held at the Installation Luncheon. Mike Penick is the Chair of Nomination Committee.

Chapter Position	2017 / 2018 Nominees
President	<input type="radio"/> Otto Spence <input type="radio"/>
Vice President	<input type="radio"/> Jessica Grivna <input type="radio"/>
Treasurer	<input type="radio"/> Rick Baumgardner <input type="radio"/>
Secretary	<input type="radio"/> Judy Mitchell <input type="radio"/>
International Director 2 Year	<input type="radio"/> Matt Chapman <input type="radio"/>
International Director 1 Year <i>Does Not Require a Vote</i>	Wayne Kimbel <i>Term Expires June, 2018</i>

Return your ballot by mail to:

Jessica Grivna  
Qk4  
1046 East Chestnut Street  
Louisville, KY 40204

*This ballot is hereby submitted for vote to the membership for the installation of officers at the 2017-18 General Membership meeting. During the announcement of each elected position, nominations from the floor will be requested, and with no response, the nominations will thereby be closed, allowing the final voice vote by the membership.*





# International Right of Way Association Chapter 25

## Installation of Officers

**Friday, June 2, 2017**  
Networking Noon – 12:30  
Featured Speaker  
Lunch 1 pm

**Featured Speaker**  
**Tim Drennan**—International Right of Way Manager of Field Operations

**Location:**  
BBC Four Roses Bourbon Barrel Loft  
300 W Main Street  
3rd Floor  
Louisville, KY 40202

This room is accessed via the BBC Restaurant.  
**\*Use one form if more than one attends from same company please.**

1) Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Company \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost: \$25.00 per IRWA Member & Spouse or Special Guest**  
**Cost: \$50 per Non-Member**

Total Enclosed  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Make check/money order payable to:  
IRWA Kentucky Chapter 25  
And mail to:

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**Qk4**  
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**Louisville, KY 40204**

**PREFER TO USE YOUR CREDIT CARD? WE GOT PAYPAL!**

**GO TO <http://www.irwa25.org>, and look for this meeting!**



# The Parklands of Floyds Fork

Survey • Permit Drawings • Final Design • Construction Inspection



In 2014, Qk4 received an Engineering Excellence Grand Conceptor Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of Kentucky. The Grand Conceptor is the most prestige of the ACEC Engineering Excellence Awards.

One of the world's most ambitious urban parks projects, its 3,800 acres now provide a rich variety of experiences for visitors. Miles of paved trails traverse streams snake through thick forests and glide under an active train trestle. Busloads of schoolchildren explore a Disney-esque manmade wetland where they can see, listen, smell, and discover with their own hands. The Great Wall of Distillery Bend eases pedestrians, wheelchairs and bikes up a 33% grade via a meandering trail that preserved a treasured forest and archaeological site. The 41-foot wall is the tallest built of pre-fabricated stone reminiscent of Kentucky's limestone bedrock. The Parklands of Floyds Fork does what Olmsted's parks did for Louisville a hundred years ago—improves lives and attracts business by bringing nature to neighborhoods while rising to his legacy.

The Louisville legacy of Frederick Law Olmsted, designer of New York City's Central Park and Louisville's own 19th century parks, provided inspiration for The Parklands of Floyds Fork.

Qk4 served as lead engineer for the most recently designed sections of the Parklands of Floyd's Fork, which include the now constructed phase three, and phase four, currently under construction. Qk4 provided civil and structural engineering design, survey, and construction inspection services for the park's gorgeous network of trails, roadways and bridges, and fulfilled the KYTC pre-qualification requirements of the design team.

Within the constructed phase three area, Qk4 applied existing engineering techniques in innovative ways in two distinct sections of the project, the Humana Grand Allee Wetlands and The Great Wall of Distillery Bend. The Humana Grand Allee Wetlands was engineered for beauty, study and enjoyment. For this manmade wetland, engineers adapted techniques typically used to preserve natural wetlands. To create a natural water source sufficient for the size of the wetland, they expanded the primary water source by diverting water via pipes and ditches from one pond to another. Qk4 then designed a unique supplemental water system from municipal water to sustain the manmade wetland. This technique ensured that, in dry times, visitors could enjoy uninterrupted beauty rather than staring at a crater of cracking clay, wondering, "Are those the wetlands?" Instead, the wetlands remain wet, and in the eyes of one observer, "Disney-esque." For The Great Wall of Distillery Bend, Qk4 helped stretch the limits of the only building material that met the client's construction and aesthetic requirements. The 41-foot high retaining wall (15 feet taller than the Great Wall of China!) is the tallest yet created from this particular material that preserves the look of Kentucky's natural limestone. During detailed design, Qk4 was challenged to solve a 50-foot change in grade and a 33 percent natural slope, while preserving treasured trees, habitats and archaeological sites.





With both David Reed  
and Rob Martin spending  
“boots on the ground”  
time - coupled with the  
highly competent “back  
office” support of Qk4  
- we’ve benefited from  
both the sophisticated  
high-tech wizardry of  
the company as well as  
their practical knowledge  
amassed from years of  
experience in the field.

**Daniel H. Jones, MF, PhD**  
Chairman & CEO  
21st Century Parks, Inc.  
(Excerpt from letter to ACEC;  
Washington, DC)