



TRAIL BLAZER

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President's Message



Well it's certainly been an eventful few days as I sit down to commence writing this article. We have had a weekend of British pomp and pageantry with the marriage of a future King, we have seen the strength of the American military with the murder of Osama

Bin Laden, the strength of the most tornadoes touching down in the US in a matter of days and we voted in a majority government to run the Country of Canada. So it is kind of difficult to top all that but I will try.

Chapter 62's education program is continuing on schedule with several upcoming courses which Cindy is reporting on in this issue. Cindy is offering 222 Negotiating Rights on Native Lands which is being revamped by the IRWA. Bill Giese, from Calgary IRWA Chapter 48, is going to incorporate those changes in this course by including hands on cultural events. This will be a terrific course to get in on so please sign up soon. There is only room for 50 participants. See the full line-up in this Newsletter.

Jan Schmitz, Brian Taylor and I recently attended the IRWA Region 10 Spring Forum in Calgary. It was a terrific event with four excellent guest speakers discussing; power transmission compensation in Alberta, wireless 101, the oil sands and our need to think rationally about the overall project and what it means to Alberta/ Canada and wind farm developments. Chapter

62 has taken on the challenge of organizing a similar event for the spring of 2012 here in Edmonton so we will definitely be keeping everyone informed as the preparations unfold.

The same three Chapter 62 executive members will next be heading off to the IRWA International Annual Conference in Atlanta Georgia in June and I'm sure there will be lots of information to impart to you when we arrive back in Edmonton.

There will be an election held at the upcoming May 16, 2011 Chapter 62 luncheon for the position of Treasurer. If you are interested in running from the floor please attend this meeting and/or advise me of your desire to run for the position in order that you are included in the election proceedings.

I would like to take this moment to give a special thank you to Glenda Miles our former Treasurer for all her years, days, hours, of volunteer time and effort that she dedicated to this Chapter. Glenda not only dedicated many hours as Treasurer she spent many hours assisting with the Native Cultural Forum that Chapter 62 sponsored in 2008. It is this type of volunteer dedication which has made this Chapter the success it is. Thank you ever so much Glenda.

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Luncheon Notice
May 16

CHAPTER 62

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Glenda is also continuing on as Professional Development Chair and if anyone has any questions about their professional development please do not hesitate to contact her directly.

Thanks everyone for continuing to support Chapter 62, I hope you have a great summer and I also hope everyone can get out and partake in some good old Canada fun during our warmest months of the year. Don't forget to mark your calendar for Chapter 62's September 1, 2011 golf tournament. That will certainly be a way to have a little fun in the sun. Garry, Linda, Ken, Carol & Shirley (the organizing committee) will be sending out more information as the event draws closer so keep your eyes on your email.

Election Notice May 16, 2011

An election will be held for the position of Treasurer at our May 16 Luncheon meeting.

Luncheon Notice May 16

IRWA Chapter 62 is pleased to announce that our second luncheon seminar will be held at the Petroleum Club. It will be on Monday, May 16th Starting at 11:45am. The Petroleum Club is located at 11110 108 Street, Edmonton.

Tickets are \$25.00 per member -
\$30.00 for non-members. A great value.

Our guest speaker is Ted Garver, Senior Research Scientist and Program Lead at Alberta Innovates. He will be speaking to us on climate-change induced environmental land management issues for resource based industries in Alberta: with a focus on the Mountain Pine Beetle.

RSVP to Jan Schmitz at 780-442-0909
or jan.schmitz@edmonton.ca

Please feel free to bring guests, staff, the more the merrier.
Hope to see you there!!!

FUTURE MEETING DATES:
Monday, September 19th, 2011
Monday, November 21, 2011,
Friday, December 9th, 2011

CHAPTER 62 WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Wade Martens
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CHAPTER 62 CONGRATULATES

Larry Mogck
on receiving his SR/WA

Kay Beauchamp
on receiving her SR/WA

Terry McKitrick
on receiving his RWA

IRWA Archives

I have recently begun to create an archive the history of the Trailblazer newsletter. So far, thanks to the help of several IRWA members, I have managed to successfully gather issues from 1984 to the present. I would like to complete the collection of all of the issues that I am missing.

If you have any issues previous to 1984 and would like to donate them (or have them scanned) for this project please let me know.

In future issues of the Trailblazer I will be reprinting past articles of interest. if you have been a part of the newsletter or would like to see something from a certain time, please let me know and I will do my best to make sure that they are posted.

Thank you, Koby Godwin

2011 Course Schedule

Course 222 is a Go! Reserve ad space for this one!
2 Days, 8 credits Deep cultural Experience, Nature Walk, Aboriginal Day Events, Ethnic foods - Wing Ding hoedown!

June 20-21

222C Negotiating for Interests on
Native Lands In Canada

July - August - No Courses

September 20-21

215 Right of Way development program

October 27-28

303 Managing the Consult Process

November 22-24

SRWA review & study session Canadian

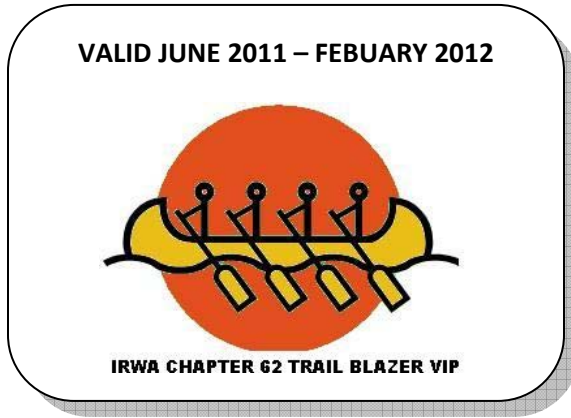
December - No Courses

IRWA Education Needs?

Please visit our website www.irwa62.ca



International Right of Way Association
Edmonton Alberta Canada



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IRWA CHAPTER 62**Balance Sheet As at Mar 31, 2011****ASSET****Current Assets**

Chequing Bank Account	19,459.69	
Total Cash		19,459.69
GIC 00019	6,607.05	
GIC 00043	21,845.89	
GIC 00051	10,517.48	
GIC 00086	7,532.99	
GIC	0.00	
Total GIC's		46,503.41
Accounts Receivable	0.00	
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	0.00	
Total Receivable		0.00
Prepaid Expenses		0.00
Total Current Assets		65,963.10

Capital Assets

Office Furniture & Equipment	2,373.00	
Accum. Amort. -Furn. & Equip.	-1,559.06	
Net - Furniture & Equipment		813.94
Total Capital Assets		813.94

TOTAL ASSET 66,777.04

LIABILITY**Current Liabilities**

Accounts Payable		1,174.17
GST Charged on Sales	946.54	
GST Paid on Purchases	-375.37	
GST Adjustments	0.00	
GST Owing (Refund)		571.17
Total Current Liabilities		1,745.34

TOTAL LIABILITY 1,745.34

EQUITY**Owners Equity**

Net Assets - Previous Year		58,503.67
Current Earnings		6,528.03
Total Owners Equity		65,031.70

TOTAL EQUITY 65,031.70

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY 66,777.04

IRWA CHAPTER 62**Income Statement Jan 01, 2011 to Mar 31, 2011****REVENUE****Revenue**

Contributions & Grants		737.27
Course Revenue	15,324.73	
Total Course Revenue		15,324.73
Conventions & Meetings		833.33
Golf Tournament	0.00	
Total Special Events		0.00
Advertising Income		0.00
Other - Membership	3,207.71	
Total Other		3,207.71
Total Revenue		20,103.04

TOTAL REVENUE 20,103.04

EXPENSE**Expenses**

Chapter Hardship Fund		0.00
Contributions, Gifts & Grants		0.00
Courses - Meals and Entertain...	885.65	
Course Expenses	11,194.52	
Course Discounts	0.00	
Seminars	0.00	
Total Course Expenses		12,080.17
Education Foundation Donation		0.00
Hospitality Site		0.00
International Auction Gift		0.00
Ch. Donation/Inter. Golf Tourine		0.00
Regional Meetings	0.00	
Luncheons	706.51	
Forum	0.00	
International Conference	0.00	
Meals & Entert. (Forums & Conf)	0.00	
Total Conventions and Meetings		706.51
Advertising Expenses		0.00
Bank Charges	117.10	
Credit Card Fees	339.28	
Total Bank/Credit Card Fees		456.38
Accounting/Bookkeeping Fees		292.50
Meals & Entertainment GST ad...		11.66
Meals and Entertainment		0.00
Newsletter		0.00
Instructor's Training Clinic		0.00
Other Expenses		27.79
Website		0.00
Total General & Admin. Expe...		13,575.01

TOTAL EXPENSE 13,575.01

NET INCOME 6,528.03

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We are looking for an individual to effectively execute all aspects of surface rights acquisition. The successful candidate will negotiate surface rights for fee simple land acquisition as well as crown leases. Emphasis will be on landowner and stakeholder negotiations, ensuring regulatory compliance, ongoing communication with members of the Professional Services Team, and coordinating activities with various clients.

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- Liaising with Professional Services staff and participating in weekly meetings to ensure project status and surface land challenges are properly communicated and understood
- Keeping informed on trends and items of interest relating to surface land access including compensation, policy and procedural changes of landowner organizations, land agents and industry
- Analyzing and remaining current on applicable policies and regulations on freehold, crown and federal lands affecting surface rights, environmental issues and land access issues
- Assessing and settling damage claims
- Maintaining files and reports of stakeholder negotiation
- Use of internal and external computer systems and databases to support processes and internal communication

Qualifications

The ideal candidate has the following qualifications:

- Post secondary education in a land related discipline
- A membership in either the International Right-of-way Association (IRWA) or the Appraisal Institute of Canada (AIC)
- A current Alberta Surface Land Agent's license
- Minimum 5 years of experience as a Surface Land Agent
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