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## Monthly Dinner Program

DoubleTree Hotel

3203 Quebec Street, Denver, Colorado

Tuesday, April 10, 2012

Board Meeting 5:00PM / Cocktails 6:00PM

Dinner 6:30PM / Program 7:30PM (approx.)

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By Friday, April 6, 2012

Cost: \$25.00 (Checks payable to IRWA)



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## President's Message



I'm almost through my term as your President, and I don't feel like I've made any drastic changes! I'm not sure if that's a good thing or not, but if there is anything you would like to see done differently which would benefit our chapter, please let me know so it can be discussed.

The Spring Forum was very well attended, with all 4 chapters in Region 9 being represented. There was a lot of discussion on various topics, including information on how the IRWA is an ageing organization. 46% of the IRWA is 55 years old or older, so we need to be aware of this and work on how we attract younger folks to our profession.

We have also developed new Vision and Mission statements:

**VISION:** The IRWA creates awareness of and trust and confidence in right of way professionals, who contribute to building a better world.

**MISSION:** The IRWA is the Central Authority of the Right of Way profession, serving members, users, and the Public.

I have some statements to share this month and in next month's letter about how to truly be great at what you do:

Know deep within your heart and soul you are on this earth for a purpose; Cultivate and develop your gifts, talents, skills, and abilities; Have a passion for what you do best; Trust that you are extremely well qualified and one of the best in your field, without being cocky or arrogant; Pay your dues by starting at the bottom and earning both your advancement and your reputation; Be bold regardless of obstacles; Focus; Never give up; and, Acquire the best education and background knowledge available for your field of choice.

**More next month and I'll see you on April 10th at the Doubletree!!!**

Dinner Program

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Scott Ellis

Scott Ellis is a senior program manager for AECOM, based in Fort Collins, Colorado. His primary responsibilities are to assisting companies obtaining environmental permits for construction projects, particularly pipelines and transmission lines. Aspects of this work include developing construction compliance plans for approval by regulatory agencies; overseeing field surveys for wetlands, weeds, cultural resources, and sensitive species; and overseeing environmental monitoring teams that insure compliance with environmental stipulations and landowner agreements.

Mr. Ellis was recently the AECOM project manager that directed a team to acquire federal and state permits for the TransCanada Keystone oil pipeline project that was constructed from the Canadian border in North Dakota to delivery points near St. Louis Missouri, and Cushing, Oklahoma. He is currently the AECOM project manager assisting BLM with the EIS for the TransWest Express Project, that extends from Wyoming to the vicinity of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Topic - Environmental issue Presentation

Increasing concerns about the environment has led to a plethora of environmental regulations, that to one extent or another, affects every project. Project management teams have to be cognizant of wetlands and waters of the US, Cultural Resource Sites, Sensitive Species and restoration when planning and constructing a project. Knowing what types of restrictions, how to work with the regulatory agencies, and implementing an effective environmental plan are crucial for a successful project. Scott will be discussing some actual situations and solutions that AECOM has encountered during his many years of managing construction projects.



## Welcome New Members

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Stice**

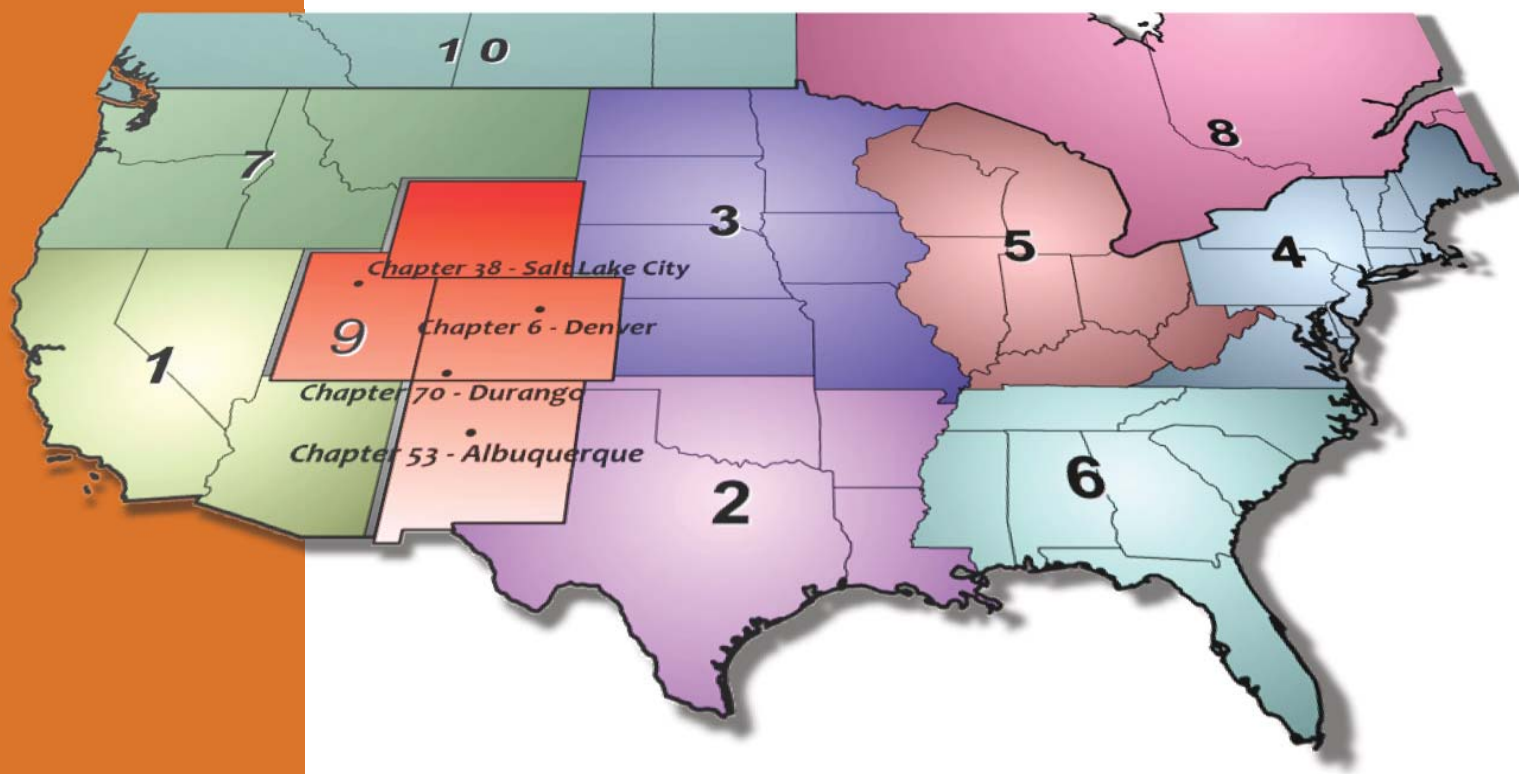
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**Katherine  
Rushing**

# ATTENTION MEMBERS...

If you have any interesting news you would like to share, or would like a project spotlighted in an upcoming newsletter, please contact Melinda Miller (mmiller@f-w.com).

## IRWA Regions & Local Chapters



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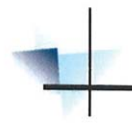
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## Upcoming IRWA Classes

### May 23, 2012

**Course 603 – Understanding Environmental Contamination in Real Estate**

**Facilitator: Fred Walasavage**

**Link to Course Description:**

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=603>

**Link to Register:**

[https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt\\_key=2e0c8b8d-dee2-4729-87c3-c28ed73a950e](https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt_key=2e0c8b8d-dee2-4729-87c3-c28ed73a950e)

Please note: This course has been approved for  
16 Hours of Real Estate Continuing Education.

### May 24 & 25, 2012

**Course 417 – The Valuation of Environmentally Contaminated Real Estate**

**Facilitator: Orell Anderson**

**Link to Course Description:**

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=417>

**Link to Register:**

[https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt\\_key=52683810-a551-40e8-b624-2c5339179b20](https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt_key=52683810-a551-40e8-b624-2c5339179b20)

Please note: This course has been approved for  
13.5 hours of Appraisal Continuing Education

### August 23 & 24 , 2012

**Course 502 – Business Relocation**

**Facilitator: Lee Satterfield Hamre**

**Link to Course Description:**

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=502>

**Link to Register:**

[https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt\\_key=793aee34-3fb3-4e52-8749-68ef5bc18ccb](https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt_key=793aee34-3fb3-4e52-8749-68ef5bc18ccb)

Please note: This course is currently being revamped and  
the revised course materials should be available for this course

### September 2012

**C207 - Practical Negotiations for U.S. Federal Funded Land Acquisitions**

**Facilitator: Faith Roland**

**Link to Course Description:**

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=207>

## Upcoming IRWA Classes (continued)

### September 2012

#### **C506 - Advanced Business Relocation**

Link to Course Description:

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=506>

Please note: This course is a current "maybe".  
Please let Richard Pittenridge know if you are interested in this course.

### October 24, 2012

#### **C800 - Principles of Real Estate Law**

Facilitator: Tim Knapp

Link to Course Description:

<http://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/dynamicpage.aspx?site=IRWA2010&webcode=800>

Link to Register:

[https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt\\_key=e9fab4b4-f822-4b56-89ca-62e8ba11fe7f](https://www.irwaonline.org/eweb/ProfilePage.aspx?WebCode=CSCEventInfoSC&evt_key=e9fab4b4-f822-4b56-89ca-62e8ba11fe7f)

Please note: This course is being held in  
downtown Denver at the Anadarko Building