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## SPRING EDITION 2019

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### Chapter 29 Executive

#### Meeting Schedule for 2018/19

August 15, 2018  
September 14, 2018  
October 15, 2018  
November 15, 2018  
December 5, 2018  
January 17, 2019  
February 21, 2019  
March 21, 2019  
April 11, 2019  
May 16, 2019

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**March 21, 2019** – Course 804, Toronto (Instructor – Guillaume Lavictoire, LL.B.)

**March 22, 2019** – Last day for nominations for International Young Professional of the Year

**March 30, 2019** – Last day for nominations for Region 8 Professional of the Year

**March 31, 2019** – Deadline to apply for CRWEF High School Scholarship



## Welcome to Chapter 29's Spring 2019 E-Newsletter

In this edition you will find your Chapter 29 President update and exciting news about the Spring Education Seminar. You will also hear the latest on all of the great work completed by your Chapter 29 Past President, Vicki Wong on the new and improved Chapter 29 website – not to be missed! We are fortunate to also have a full run down on the latest news from HQ provided by Region Chair, Rod Glaves, as well as updates from your Membership, Education, Nominations and Elections, Young Professionals and Northern Initiative Chairs.

This edition also includes information about scholarships opportunities and other award opportunities. We are always seeking articles from Chapter 29 membership. Please let me know if you wish to contribute! As always, your feedback and comments on your newsletter are most welcome. Enjoy!

*Sheryl Badin, SR/WA, Chapter 29 Newsletter Editor*

**April 12, 2019** – Deadline to apply for IRWA CHAPTER 29 - Annual Scholarship Award

**April 17, 2019** – Deadline to apply for the Chapter 29 Professional of the Year and Chapter 29 Employer of the Year

**April 23 – April 26, 2019**  
Spring Education Seminar – Niagara on the Lake

**April 23–25, 2019** – SR/WA-C Study Session and Exam, Niagara-on-the-Lake (Instructor – Gordon E. McNair, AACI, P.App, SR/WA)

**April 24-25, 2019** – Course 303, Niagara-on-the-Lake (Instructor – Sandy Grigg, SR/WA)

**April 25, 2019** – Course 102, Niagara-on-the-Lake (Instructor – Colleen Brown, AACI, P.App.)

**April 25, evening**  
Social Event

**April 26, 2019**  
Spring Education Seminar

**April 26, evening and April 27, morning**  
Region 8 Spring Forum

**May 17, 2019** – Course 213, Mississauga (Instructor – Sharon N. Slauenwhite, SR/WA)

**June 9 to June 12, 2019**  
IRWA International Education Conference (Portland Oregon)

**September 18 and 19, 2019**  
Northern Initiative, Sleeping Giant Provincial Park, Thunder Bay

**October 10-11, 2019** – Course 200, Mississauga (Instructor – Nancy Sinclair, SR/WA)

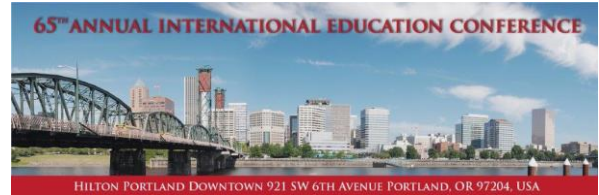
**October 22-25, 2019** – Course 421C, Mississauga (Instructor - Gordon E. McNair, AACI, P.App, SR/WA)

**November 21, 2019** – Course 703, Newmarket (Instructor – Sandy Grigg, SR/WA)

## Presidents Update...

This year the International Right of Way Association's 65th Annual International Education Conference will be held in **Portland, Oregon** from **June 9-12, 2019** that many of you will take advantage of the educational and networking aspects of the conference in this beautiful city.

Best,  
Chris Dietrich, AACI, SR/WA  
Chapter 29 President &  
International Director



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## Register Now!! 2019 Spring Education Seminar (Niagara on the Lake, ON) April 23 to April 26

A Message from President Elect, Georgio Panici....

Hello everyone,

I hope the anticipation of Spring will bring you to the Annual Chapter 29 Spring Education Seminar on Friday, April 26. Time is fast approaching to the event day and the early bird registration. We appreciate your registration and hotel booking if required by Friday March 22, 2019. Check the Chapter 29 website for registration options. If you have a colleague that is considering membership, please invite them and provide the email address so we can add them to the list if they wish to receive notifications.



As always, I am pleased to thank all the sponsors and attendees for the past support and again ask if you would consider supporting this year's event. It is only because of the members like you that attend, and all those companies and organizations that support their team members, that make these events possible and a great success.

As the seminar date approaches, please check the Chapter 29 new and improved website for details on room locations for courses and details on the hospitality night along with any other updated information for this and other events. If you have any questions, please email me a note to [georgiopanici@gmail.com](mailto:georgiopanici@gmail.com) or call me at (905) 941-3825. On behalf of Chapter 29 and all the Leadership, I look forward to seeing you at Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Kindest Regards,  
Georgio Panici SR/WA  
Chapter 29 President Elect & International Director  
2019 Spring Education Seminar Coordinator

#### DID YOU KNOW

**IRWA's educational offerings** are now centralized in one place! Visit [www.irwauniversity.org](http://www.irwauniversity.org). To access VEIT classes, Leadership Institute videos, classroom-based courses, mini-enrichment classes, training tools and more!

**Prior to** applying for any IRWA Certification or the SR/WA Designation, you need to submit and receive approval of your Candidacy Application.

Please **update your contact information** if anything has changed. Please login to HQ IRWA website under Membership Resources, click on Membership Directory. This ensures you will receive all information from the Association.

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## Communications Update...

Our enhancements to [www.irwachapter29.org](http://www.irwachapter29.org) continue to grow.



**On-line registrations** – we've moved to a new Paypal-based service provider for the spring seminar

**E-mail communications** – please keep a look out for e-mails from [RightON@irwachapter29.org](mailto:RightON@irwachapter29.org) (we promise to be worthy of more than junk folder status!) These e-mails are mobile-friendly, brief updates on upcoming and past Chapter events, and you have the option to subscribe/unsubscribe.

**Job Opportunities** – free to post, and free to view. Did I mention free? Please continue to send your Word document listings to [vicki@irwachapter29.org](mailto:vicki@irwachapter29.org).

**Re-certification credits** - the spring seminar credits will be available as hard copy certificates at the end of the event day, as usual, but we will now also store it for you online in your password accessible members section of the website, for your easy access in the future. Further details available in April.

See you soon at the seminar!

Thanks,  
Vicki Wong  
Past President & Website Communications

## Region 8 News...

As the 2018/19 term winds its way through the winter months, many action items are in the limelight at the Region level. The IDEAS task force is meeting regularly and is looking into the Instructor training model as well as investigating potential class room course instruction and course upgrades. During the upcoming Region 8 Spring Forum to be held in Niagara On the Lake, Ontario on April 26 and 27, 2019, Chapter 63 member, IDEAS task force member, past IRWA International President and past Instructor of the Year, Gordon MacNair, AACI, SR/WA, will present a workshop style exercise to identify real life classroom experiences for inclusion into the report to the International Governance Committee (IGC) for future action. If you cannot attend the Region 8 Spring Forum and still wish to weigh-in on this matter, please contact Chapter 29 President, Chris Dietrich, AACI or Education Chair, Paul Connor, RWA, to convey your experience in order for the IGC to enact meaningful changes to our Education function.

The WORLD CLIMB Instructor Training Seminar will be presented in Portland just ahead of the International Conference. Region 8 has 3

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## JOB POSTINGS

Current Opportunities may be available. Please check the Chapter 29 webpage for the latest information: click on the following link: <http://www.irwachapter29.org/#!job-postings>

confirmed instructors for the 600, 800 and 900 series of courses approved for attendance and one prospective instructor in the 100, 200, 300, and 700 series of courses. These applications are currently being reviewed and approved for attendance.

The International Finance Committee has been diligently meeting to present a draft budget to be reviewed by voting Board of Directors at the Spring Forum. Final voting will be completed at the International Conference in Portland Oregon in June.

Also, at the Region 8 Spring forum, we will hear from a number of IRWA members who wish to hold office on the International Executive Council ("IEC") for the 2019/2020 term and who are therefore seeking the support of the Region's 8 voting directors. All will be given an opportunity to share their visions and ideas. This year, there are challenges for the position of International Vice-President and Secretary position from candidates who have declared and been vetted by the INEC as qualified candidates. In addition to those candidates already approved to run as candidates, it is possible for interested members to announce and run from the floor for any elected position at the Board of Directors meeting scheduled to be held in Portland on June 12, 2019.

It should be exciting times at the Region 8 Spring forum meeting and any member in good standing is welcome to attend. If you are planning on attending the Spring Forum meeting, please contact your Chapter President and announce your intention to attend to ensure adequate seating arrangements can be made. The Forum begins Friday evening at 5 pm, breaks for dinner and then reconvenes until approximately 9:30 pm. The meeting reconvenes at 8 am Saturday morning, running until approximately 12 pm.

### Announcements:

- Region 8 Professional of the Year nominations are due to Region 8 Vice Chair James Hardy, no later than March 30th
- International Young Professional of the Year nominations are due to James Hardy, no later than March 22nd
- CRWEF Scholarship applications are due by March 31, 2019. See the CRWEF website for application forms and particulars
- IRWA announces that long time Chief Financial Officer, Fred Nasri will retire effective May 16, 2019. Region 8 has expressed our thanks and best wishes to Fred for his vision, dedication leadership during his tenure with the IRWA. Fred was responsible for the HQ acquisition project for our HQ building in Los Angeles California. Our HQ Building will be paid for this calendar year! Well done Fred!!

Rod Glaves, SR/WA  
Region 8 Chair

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## Chapter 29 Luncheons/Events...

Stay tuned for upcoming events!



Thanks!  
Sarah Orchard, RWP  
Vice President, IRWA Chapter 29

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## Northern Initiative...



Plans for the Northern Retreat, which will be at Sleeping Giant Provincial Park (Thunder Bay), are underway for mid-September 2019. This event will be a multi-day learning opportunity in a rustic forest setting. There will be opportunities to get credits, network and enjoy some nature.

<https://www.ontarioparks.com/park/sleepinggiant>

Katherine Hamilton  
Chair, Northern Initiative

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## Membership Update...



Membership with the IRWA allows you to stay connected to your profession through Right of Way Magazine, educational programs and the community of your peers. You also receive reduced member rates when you take a course, attend Association conferences and seminars and Chapter meetings and events.

Please contact your Chapter 29 Membership Chair, Shadi Shenouda at [shadi\\_shenouda@transcanada.com](mailto:shadi_shenouda@transcanada.com) or at (905) 951-4362 for more information.

Thank you and we look forward to earning your membership.

Shadi Shenouda, Membership Chair

## Nominations and Elections News....



Dear Members:

Chapter 29 is very pleased to announce our Annual Scholarship Award. This year's award will be presented at the Annual Spring Educational Seminar being held at the Vintage Hotels in old Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario which is scheduled for Friday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019. This scholarship is open to graduating high school students residing in the Province of Ontario, and who are entering a full time course of study in any of the various fields impacting the right of way profession. Areas of study may include (but not limited to) land or property management, law, surveying, planning, real property appraisal, civil engineering, and or environmental studies.

The amount of the scholarship will be \$2,000.00 which can be awarded to 1 successful applicant or, in the event there is more than one suitable applicant, the award may be split evenly.

Applications for the Scholarship will be managed by Chapter 29 Nominations and Elections Committee and are due by **April 12th, 2019**. In addition, this application form will be posted on the Chapter 29 website at the following link: [www.irwachapter29.org/](http://www.irwachapter29.org/)

Chapter 29 is making a call for nominations with respect to right of way professionals and employers for their contribution and dedication to the IRWA throughout the past year with the following awards:

**IRWA Chapter 29 Employer of the Year  
&  
IRWA Chapter 29 Professional of the Year**

If you wish to nominate a fellow member or an employer for either of these two awards, please fill out attached application forms.

These two awards will be presented at the 2019 Spring Education Seminar being held on Friday April 26<sup>th</sup> at the Vintage Hotels in old Niagara-on-the-Lake.

**THE DEADLINE for these two awards is April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

We encourage you to pass this information along to your fellow workers and family and friends.

Best Regards,  
Jack Carello, SR/WA  
Chair, Nominations & Elections, IRWA Chapter 29



## Young Professionals...

This group is specifically designed for beginning right of way professionals who want to become more actively involved in the Association while enhancing their skills. If you are passionate about continually educating yourself, augmenting your skillset and have your hard work acknowledged, then it's time to surround yourself with likeminded individuals. The IRWA Young Professionals Group is recommended for participants of the age of 35 and under but is not required.

On February 28<sup>th</sup> the Young Professional Group hosted a networking event at HotHouse Restaurant and Bar. The night was a great success and we look forward to expanding the group!

Contact your YP Chair, Katherine Badin for upcoming events at [Katherine.Badin@colliers.com](mailto:Katherine.Badin@colliers.com).



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## Golf Tournament

Stay tuned for future updates!

Ben van Reekum  
Chair, Chapter 29 Golf Tournament

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## News from your Education Chair ...

Hello Chapter 29 members. The Education Committee is presenting the following courses in the very near future. Course 804: Skills of Expert Testimony – facilitated by Guillaume Lavictoire will be held in downtown Toronto and it is almost at capacity. Please check with Shelly Marr-Mouck.

We are all excited about the Spring Conference in Niagara-on-the-Lake and we have three courses that will be held the week of the Spring Seminar. Please register early as these courses are very popular and will fill up quickly. The course brochures can be found on the new IRWA Chapter 29 website <https://www.irwachapter29.org/current-events>

Thank you again for supporting the Education courses that Chapter 29 has put on for our members. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact any of our committee members at:

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## Upcoming Courses...



March 21th, 2019

**804: Skills of Expert Testimony**

1 day

Downtown Toronto

Instructor: Guillaume Lavictoire

Coordinator: Shelley Marr-Mouck

April 25, 2019 (Spring Education Session)

**102: Elevating your Ethical Awareness**

1 day

Niagara-on-the-Lake

Instructor: Colleen Brown

Coordinator: Gabrielle Anifowose

April 24 & 25, 2019 (Spring Education Session)

**303: Managing the Consultants Process**

2 days

Niagara-on-the-Lake

Instructor: Sandy Grigg

Coordinator: Gloria Whittaker

April 23-25 2019 (Spring Education Session)

**SR/WA Study Session Exam**

3 days

Niagara-on-the-Lake

Instructor: Gord MacNair

Coordinator: Michelle Schiau

May 17, 2019

**213: Conflict Management**

1 day

Mississauga

Instructor: Sharon Slauenwhite

Coordinator: Lucie Jabour

Thank you,

Paul Connor RWA, Education Chair

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## **UPDATES from Professional Development...**

The IRWA offers two career paths for Right of Way Professionals: A generalist path and a specialist path. Certifications can be achieved as either a generalist or as specialist. IRWA's premier designation, the SR/WA Senior Right of Way Professional, is the highest achievement for the right of way professional.

IRWA offers a curriculum pathway of progressive credentialing options for infrastructure professionals. These credential options are: RWA, RWP and SR/WA and may be earned in a specific field (Oil and Gas, Electric and Utility, Transportation or as an Industry Generalist).

The Right of Way (R/W) Certification Program offers certification in four right of way disciplines, plus the Uniform Act and the Appraisal Cross Certification. Right of Way certification is granted to candidates who have achieved professional status through experience, education and examination in a specific discipline.

### **Reminders**

The SR/WA Recognition & Awards Luncheon will be held on Monday, June 10, 2019 at the Hilton Portland Downtown at 11:30 am in conjunction with the 65th Annual International Education Conference - June 9-12, 2019 in Portland, OR. Those members who have been awarded their SR/WA Designation from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019 are eligible to attend this event. They will be presented with a special recognition certificate.

For those who have not yet submitted their SR/WA Completion Application, it must be received at the Headquarters by April 15, 2019. All required information and supporting documentations must be provided to expedite the processing and approval of the applications.

Nathan Cruzado, Course Program Coordinator, will be sending out a formal e-mail invitation to all new SR/WA members soon. All they have to do is to RSVP if they will attend the event. For details, please contact Nathan at [cruzado@irwaonline.org](mailto:cruzado@irwaonline.org) or give him a call at 310-538-0233, Ext. 124.

If you're interested in pursuing any of the following designations, R/W-AC, RWA-GN, RWP-GN or the prestigious SR/WA, please visit [www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org) and tap on Education, and then Credentialing to get to all the forms and information required to proceed with these paths.

Please forward your inquiries and/or applications to either Jack or Lisa who will be happy to assist you!

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