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February Monthly Luncheon

Tuesday, February 13, 2018
Registration begins at 11:30a.m.

Maggiano's Little Italy
The DiCarlo Room

10910 Domain Drive, #100
 Austin, Texas 78758

About Our Chapter

Bluebonnet Chapter No. 74, is the Austin, TX, chapter of the International Right of Way Association. Our Chapter was founded in 1985 by professionals in the right of way field to unite members for education, improve service to employers and the public, and to advance our members within the profession. We are part of Region 2 of the International Association. Our current membership includes professionals involved in a wide array of projects requiring real estate and right of way services.

Board of Directors Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. All are welcome. If you are interested in attending, please contact a Chapter 74 Officer.

President's Message

Greetings Chapter 74,

I hope everyone got to spend some quality time with friends and family over the past few weeks. Unfortunately, it's time to get back to work!

The Holiday party was a great success! Attendance was lower than expected due to the weather but still a great time was had by those who attended.

At the event, the nomination committee revealed the Employer of the Year – Capital Metro, the Young Professional of the Year – Lisa Cooper and the Professional of the Year – Michael Latham. Congratulations to All! Awards will be presented by Don Toner at our February Lunch. Bragging rights for most creative basket goes to THC for the camp/hunting basket and highest bid to Allegiant. Congratulations and Thank you for your donations. A total of \$1830 was raised for Blue Santa! Thank you, Alex Gale, for putting a great event together!

Please put the next luncheon on your calendar, February 13, 2018 at Maggiano's. Patrick Rose, former state legislator, accompanied by Aaron Campbell and Lynn Maxwell will entertain us. He is a very dynamic speaker! Don't miss it!

The Region 2 Spring Forum is just around the corner! It will be held on April 5th and 6th in San Antonio at the Hilton Palacio del Rio. The hotel room reservation block deadline is March 13, 2018, rate is \$159. Remember it is free to attend the seminar so plan on attending to stay up with region news and of course for great networking!



Respectfully,

Virginia Pompa, SR/WA
Chapter 74 President

Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6 BOARD MEETING	7	8	9 COURSE 802	10
11	12	13 LUNCHEON	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28			

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 6 — Board Meeting

Time: 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.

Location: One Texas Center, City of Austin

February 9—IRWA Course 802—Legal Aspects of Easements

Time: 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Location: HDR Engineering, Inc., 7744 Chevy Chase Drive, Bldg. 5, Ste 220, Austin, TX 78752

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Membership News

Visit the [IRWA Website](#) to submit your application electronically and become a member of Chapter 74!

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

*Installment Options are available for membership fees.
Contact your local committee chairs for more information.*

Membership is important to our chapter. We want to promote growth to be able to qualify for incentives from IRWA International.

5% Net Growth = 3 free memberships | 1 free conference registration &

10% Net Growth = 3 free memberships | 2 free conference registrations | \$500 travel voucher

New Members: Please contact the [Membership Committee](#) to have your first luncheon covered by the Chapter.

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Programs News

January Luncheon Photos



Thanks so much to our January luncheon speakers!

The Programs Committee is seeking both venues and speakers for this year's luncheons. Please email any suggestions you have, including topics of interest to the [Programs Committee](#).

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February Luncheon Details



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\$20 per person for online registration or \$25 at the door the day of event

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!](#)

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Young Professionals News

Young Professionals Karaoke Night!



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