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## April Luncheon

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

**Registration Begins @ 11:30 a.m.**

**Presentation @ 12:00 p.m.**

**Maggiano's Little Italy**

**The DiCarlo Room**

**10910 Domain Drive #100,**

**Austin, TX 78758**

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

*Chapter Officer elections will occur during*

### 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 had a wonderful Easter and got to spend some time with friends and family.

Come join us on April 10th for lunch at Maggiano's. It's that time again to exercise your rights as a member of Chapter 74 and vote for your next Secretary. Our Chapter is fortunate to have 2 members running for Secretary this year. As I travel around the States, I have made it a habit to attend Chapter luncheons and board meeting just to see how other chapters do things. It always surprises me to learn how many chapters struggle for volunteers and here in Austin, Texas we have so much interest we must hold a real election. We are blessed! To date the nominees for Secretary are Barbara Price and Richard Scholtz. There is more information in this newsletter about the upcoming officer nominations and elections. Your current officers are also seeking reelection. Don't miss the April luncheon where you will have the opportunity to hear more from the nominees and cast your votes. Please register early. During elections, we tend to have more members attend the luncheon and our program committee needs to make sure we don't run out of food. Plus, you save \$5.00 if you sign up and pay with PayPal. If you can't make the luncheon please remember to vote online. The new officers will be installed during the May Chapter Luncheon.

Amy Denney, editor of Northwest Austin Community Impact Newspaper is our speaker. Amy has a bird's eye view of all the transportation projects in the Austin Area and will share some of the latest developments with us.

Please join us at the Region 2 Spring Forum on April 5th and 6th in San Antonio at the Hilton Palacio del Rio. We will begin at 1:00pm on Thursday and wrap by 5:00pm, then reconvene at 8:30am on Friday morning. There will be a reception dinner at La Margarita in Downtown San Antonio Thursday night (see flyer attached).

Coming Soon! The 64th Annual International Education Conference will be in Edmonton, AB, Canada from June 24th to June 27th.

Warmest Regards,



Virginia J. Anderson, SR/WA  
Chapter 74 President  
2017 – 2018

## Calendar of Events

### APRIL 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 <b>BOARD MEETING</b>	4	5 <b>REGION 2 SPRING FORUM</b>	6 <b>REGION 2 SPRING FORUM</b>	7
8	9	10 <b>MONTHLY LUNCHEON</b>	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 <b>YP HAPPY HOUR</b>	27	28
29	30					

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### April 3—Board Meeting

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.

**Location:** One Texas Center, City of Austin

#### April 5 & 6—Region 2 Spring Forum

**Time:** Thursday 1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.; Friday @ 8:30 a.m.

**Location:** San Antonio at the Hilton Palacio del Rio

#### April 10—Monthly Luncheon

**Time:** 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Maggiano's Little Italy, The DiCarlo Room, 10910 Domain Drive #100, Austin, TX 78758

#### April 26—YP Happy Hour

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

**Location:** 14th Floor Patio Area of CBRE Office; 500 W 2nd, Austin, TX 78701

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| 2015 Patti Bell, SR/WA           | 2005 Steve Bohuslav, SR/WA      | 1994 Mary Jane Amezcuita    |
| 2014 Donald C. Toner, SR/WA      | 2004 Steve Beck, MAI, SR/WA     | 1993 Larry O'Neal, SR/WA    |
| 2013 Denise Skinner, SR/WA       | 2003 Elizabeth Norris           | 1992 Sandra Bishop          |
| 2012 Teri J. Morgan, SR/WA       | 2002 Elisa Garcia               | 1991 John Baylor            |
| 2011 Dennis Sedlachek, SR/WA     | 2001 Randall Kopfer, IFA, SR/WA | 1990 Cheryl Bennett         |
| 2010 Lory R. Johnson, MAI, SR/WA | 2000 Laurie Park, SR/WA         | 1989 Rayburn Corbitt, MAI   |
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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.*



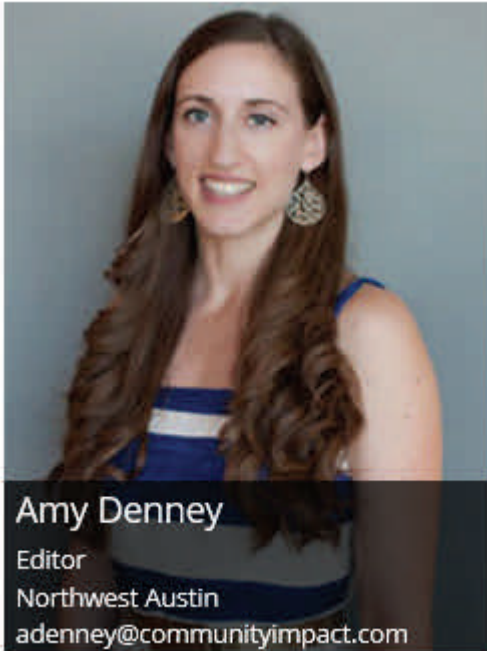
\*\*\*Membership is important to our chapter. We want to promote growth to be able to qualify for incentives from IRWA International.\*\*\*

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.

Leslie Persia  
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## Programs News

**APRIL LUNCHEON SPEAKER****Amy Denney**

Editor

Northwest Austin

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Amy, has a birds eye view of all the transportation projects in the Austin Area and will share with us some of the latest developments.

*Have a great project?  
Share your project update with Amy.*

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**Nominations News****2018—2019 SECRETARY CANDIDATE****Richard Scholtz**

My name is Richard Scholtz, and I am running for Chapter 74 secretary. Since moving to Austin in 2005, I have been an active member of Chapter 74. Prior to that, I was a member of Chapter 8 in Houston, Texas. Most recently, I currently serve as the Education Chair where I organized classes for my fellow members to further their education goals, and also assisted in obtaining continuing education



hours for the IRWA/AI Joint Luncheon. I have also served on the Programs Committee where I assisted the committee in organizing speakers and locations for our monthly chapter meetings. I am also the co-chair for the Right of Way Professionals of Texas, where we have raised in excess of \$13,000 each year for Make A Wish, through our annual golf tournament held prior to the September Austin/San Antonio Eminent Domain Seminar. I was also honored to receive the 2016 Young Professional of the Year Award from our local chapter. Recently, I was asked to submit qualifications for a position on the Ethics Committee for the International organization. I believe that these activities have adequately prepared me to be your secretary and I am proud to serve.

My career in right of way began 20 years ago upon my graduation from Texas A & M University. During the first several years of my career, I had the opportunity to hone my skills as I lived in all kinds of places, from Durant, Oklahoma, to Tempe, Arizona working on various right of way projects. While residing in Houston, I was a member of Chapter 8, and took various coursework from the local IRWA chapter. Under the tutelage of Randy Williams in Austin I furthered my career as an appraiser in the right of way profession, and his guidance and leadership has assisted me in achieving that goal.

If I am elected, I will use these experiences to further advance the goals and aspirations of the IRWA, and I look forward giving back to our Chapter in that regard.

Please vote for chapter 74 secretary. When you vote, vote for Richard Scholtz.

## Nominations News

**2018—2019 SECRETARY CANDIDATE****Barbara Price**

My name is Barbara Price and I am excited to be nominated for your Chapter 74 Secretary. I have been a member of our Chapter since 2002, when I began work at the TxDOT project office in Pflugerville. My first introduction into Right of Way was the SH 45 and SH 130 Toll roads. Baptism by fire. I had a history degree and had worked at the Supreme Court of Texas as one of two clerks to the justices. To leave a small office and join a group which would evolve into two buildings full of many companies was very exciting and a break neck speed. It was an incredible project team to work with and although we worked long hours I learned every aspect of the acquisition process. When I walked through the door in Pflugerville, a door with an entirely new career path opened with new friends and mentors. I worked side by side with so many of you through the years and I have strived to build a relationship of trust and collaboration.

Since joining Chapter 74, I have served our chapter in many ways. For several year's I served as a course coordinator, became the Co-Chair of Education and progressed to Education Chair, enthusiastically assisted in membership recruitment and encouraged others to do so, gathered donations for our holiday party auctions, recruited my co-workers, participated in our regional and international events, and attended our board meetings. I even brought my mother with me to Padre Island for a seminar – (That was a wonderful site -it's time for us to go back!) Whether it is San Marcos, College Station or at International, I look forward to our events and being with all of you.

I currently serve as your programs chair and coordinate the luncheons. I hope you are enjoying our new venue at Maggiano's and our committee has some exciting ideas for some upcoming events!

Our chapter has given me so many opportunities through the last sixteen years. Due to the encouragement of the chapter and the officers, I have progressed in my career and my education. I currently work in the Real Estate department at Capital Metro and we manage 162 miles of rail line, numerous park and rides, stations and administrative properties. We coordinate with private companies as well as public agencies. The chapter allows me an opportunity to grow my relationships with my counterparts and to foster relationships.

I would appreciate the opportunity to be promoted to the next level, the best is yet to be!

Young Professional News



**IRWA** **BLUEBONNET** **CHAPTER 74** **YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**  
**HAPPY HOUR**

**DATE: THURSDAY - APRIL 26, 2018**

**TIME: 6:00 TO 8:00 PM**

**LOCATION: 500 W. 2ND STREET**

**AUSTIN, TX 78701**

**14TH FLOOR PATIO, CBRE OFFICE BLDG.**

*Drinks and snacks will be provided by Chapter 74.*

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SAVE THE DATE—2018 ED EMINENT DOMAIN SEMINAR

Mark Your Calendar!



SAVE THE DATE SEPTEMBER 7, 2018

2018 SEPTEMBER SEMINAR HOT TOPICS IN REAL ESTATE AND EMINENT DOMAIN

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS

"Hot Topics in Real Estate and Eminent Domain Seminar" for Attorneys, Legal Staff, ROW Agents, Appraisers, Engineers, Consultants, City and Land Planners, Real Property Analysts, Government Agents, Real Estate Agents.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The 23rd Annual September Seminar is an education event presented by Chapter 39 and 74 of the International Right of Way Association.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Texas Real Estate Commission requires full attendance to receive Continuing Education Credits. Please plan on staying the entire time to obtain credit.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsoring at IRWA's 2018 September Seminar will afford your company with a valuable opportunity to advertise your company name to over 350 local professionals involved in all facets of right of way work. Cost for sponsorship is \$250 and includes sponsorship recognition in seminar print materials and during the event. Contact Elizabeth Norris for more information at Elizabeth.Norris@atkinsglobal.com or (512) 342-3443.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

IRWA Application made for 6 hours of SRWA recertification by the International Right of Way Association.

AI Application made for 6 hours by the Appraisal Institute for Continuing Education (CE) credits.

TREC Application made for 6 hours of Mandatory Continuing Education (MCE) by the Texas Real Estate Commission.

TALCB Application made for 6 hours of Appraiser Continuing Education (ACE) by the Texas Appraiser Licensing and Certification Board.

CLE Application made for 6 hours of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits.

SEMINAR LOCATION

San Marcos Activity Center 501 East Hopkins Street San Marcos, Texas 78666 (512) 393-8280



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# SAVE THE DATE



## 2018 RWPTX MAKE-A-WISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

LANDA PARK GOLF COURSE  
AT COMAL SPRINGS  
180 GOLF COURSE ROAD  
NEW BRAUNFELS, TX 78130

**SEPT. 06, 2018**

FOR INFORMATION ON SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE CONTACT MATTHEW ECKMAN AT (830) 221-4089 / MECKMAN@NBTEXAS.ORG OR RICHARD SCHOLTZ AT RICHARD.SCHOLTZ@AM.JLL.COM



Career Hotline

A large, bold, red graphic with a white, distressed, stencil-like font that reads "WE'RE HIRING!". The text is set against a solid red rectangular background.

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### **2018 WEBSITE SPONSORSHIP RENEWALS ARE STILL OUTSTANDING.**

### **NOT YET A SPONSOR?**

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IRWA Website:  
[www.irwaonline.org](http://www.irwaonline.org)

IRWA Region 2 Website:  
[www.irwaregion2.org](http://www.irwaregion2.org)

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