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The Winner is....

CHAPTER SIX – ANNUAL AWARDS

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MARCH

THERE IS NO CHAPTER MEETING THIS MONTH.

There is a Chapter Board Meeting and any members who are
interested may attend.

VIA ZOOM

Tuesday, March 9th

4:30 - 5:30

REGION 9 FORUM

Friday March 9th - 9:00 am

Via Bluejeans

Watch your email this week for link

2020 - 2021 COMMITTEES

Events

Richard B. Pittenridge, SR/WA
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Professional Development

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DID U KNOW?

Chapter Six receives \$87 for every chapter member that takes a class.

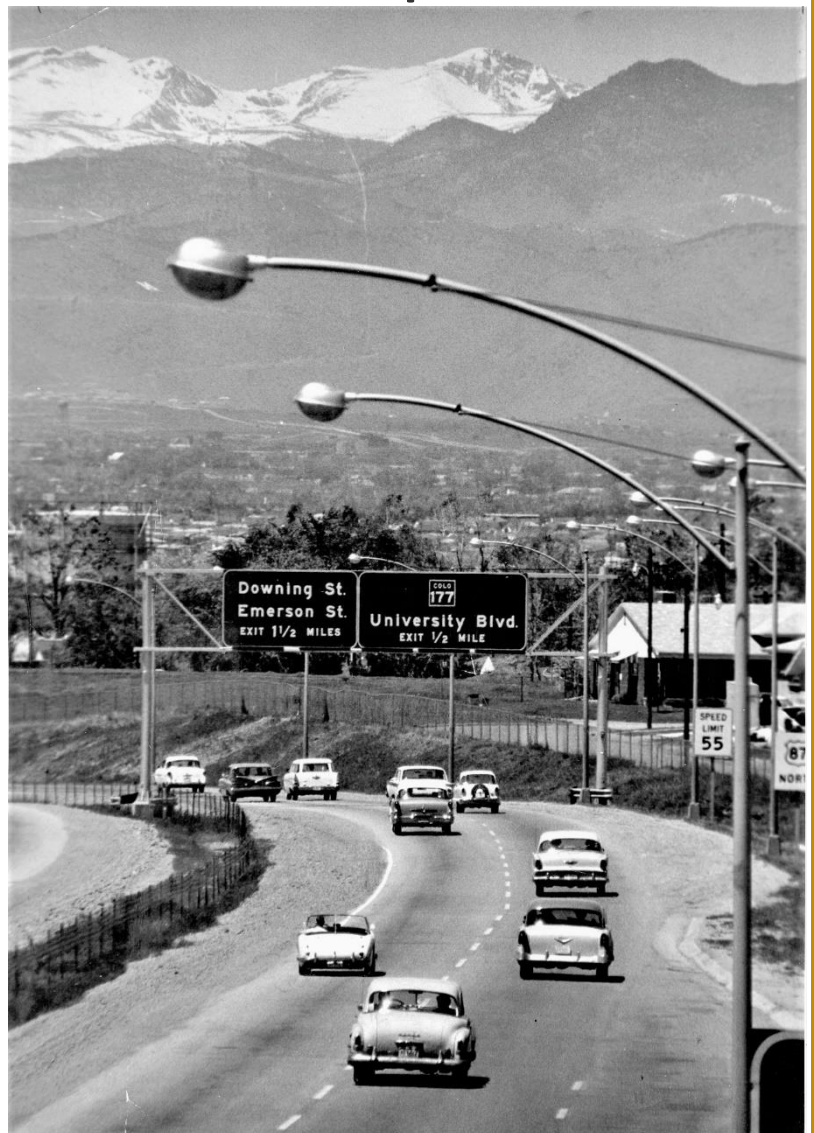
You can complete all your IRWA designation goals with no travel or lodging expense!

Below is a link to available instructor lead virtual classes.....get signed up & keep moving forward!

[Click Here to see a list of all classes!!](#)

Blast from the past

1961 - Valley Highway looking north from Colorado Blvd



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Congratulations

IRWA CHAPTER SIX – ANNUAL AWARD RECIPIENTS 2020

Vic Ramer Professional of the Year Award - Recipient 2020

Name: **Darrell W Burkhardt, SR/WA**

Position & Company: **Director, USROW Co**

How long have you been in the Right-of-Way Industry? 23 years

What is your favorite part of working in the Right-of-Way Industry? Working within a team towards a common goal, great to see it all come together.

How long have you been a part of the IRWA? 23 years

What is your favorite IRWA memory or experience? I attended the 2006 IRWA conference in Denver and I fell in love with Colorado, made a decision that I would live here someday.

What is your favorite way to recharge? Woodworking in my shop or tacos & margaritas on a patio.



Helen C. Peck/Frances Reisbeck Memorial Award - Recipient 2020



Name: **Alyssia Padilla**

Position & Company: **Senior Right of Way Agent, United Power, Inc.**

How long have you been in the Right-of-Way Industry? 4 years

What is your favorite part of working in the Right-of-Way Industry? My favorite part of this industry is seeing the final project completion and knowing I helped play a role in moving infrastructure forward.

How long have you been a part of the IRWA? 3 years but formally a member for 2 years

What is your favorite IRWA memory or experience? Hard to put my finger on just one experience. Overall, I always enjoy talking shop with others at IRWA meetings, classes and Conferences. There are a lot of remarkable people in IRWA with great stories and experiences and I have a great time being a part of that.

What is your favorite way to recharge? When I can't be on vacation enjoying the beach, I love lake days with my family at Chatfield Reservoir, paddle boarding and hanging out at shore.

Al Morganfield Scholarship Recipient 2020



Name: **Veronica L. Garcia**

Position & Company: **Right of Way Agent II with United Power Inc.**

How long have you been in the Right-of-Way Industry? 4 Years

What is your favorite part of working in the Right-of-Way Industry? The end results of each job. It is determining what the needs are of the job and the needs of the Customer and making sure everything just falls into place. When this happens, you know you did a good job and it just feels so good when it all works out! I know this doesn't happen all the time but when it does, it sure feels good.

How long have you been a part of the IRWA? 4 years

What is your favorite IRWA memory or experience? Attending the Chapter meetings, I know with the Covid situation we have not been able to have personal get together meetings but It was always so nice seeing everyone and learning the different experiences people have come across in their work situations. I learn a lot from it along with the information I get from the guest speakers.

What is your favorite way to recharge? To take a little time to myself, close my eyes and meditate.

Young Professional of the Year Recipient 2020

Name: **Kalan Falbo**

Position & Company: **Right of Way agent for TRS Corp.**

How long have you been in the Right-of-Way Industry? 5 years

What is your favorite part of working in the Right-of-Way Industry? My favorite part of working in the industry is having the opportunity to be involved in projects that work towards improving a community. Being able to build relationships with my clients and community stakeholders to make a project successful is an aspect that I enjoy most.

How long have you been a part of the IRWA? I participated in my first class and have been a member of the IRWA since in 2016.

What is your favorite IRWA memory or experience? Since the first IRWA event I participated in, I have felt welcomed. Several members have become mentors and their efforts to give back to the profession have instilled in me the drive to dig deep into the industry and has encouraged me to also give back to the profession. The summer golf events stand out as one of my favorite IRWA memories.

What is your favorite way to recharge? My favorite way to recharge is spending time with my wife and 3 year old son in the mountains, whether its fishing and hiking in the summer or skiing and snowmobiling in the winter. Spending time in the outdoors and getting to share these experiences with my family fuels my energy.



Golf Tournament?

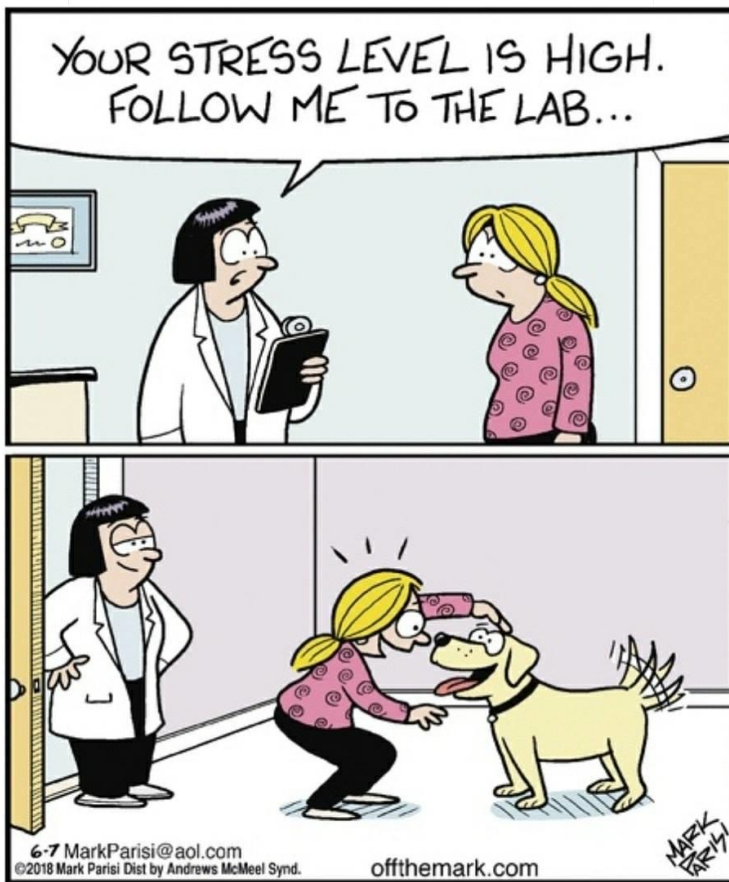
Have one this summer
or
wait until next year?

Darrel & Richard are looking for
your opinion. Let em know!

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I once had a hen who could count her
own eggs...
She was a mathemachicken.



**Why are elevator
jokes so good?**

**They work on
many levels.**

Little known fact...
Before crowbars were invented,
most crows drank at home.

NEED A JOB?



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