

International Nominations and Elections Committee report Region 1 Spring Forum 2011

Region 1 Leaders,

Background on the INEC - This committee is considered a Service Committee and thus provides input into key association management functions. The mission of this Committee is to originate, receive, prepare and recommend to the Board of Directors nominations for positions of International Officers on the International Executive Committee. In addition, the INEC is responsible for maintaining the Association's awards program. As your region representative it is my duty to solicit and encourage our members to apply for the many awards and become more involved in the Association at the international level.

The next time we meet as a Region, we will be at the conference in Atlanta. There, region 1 International Directors will be asked to vote at the Wednesday Board of Directors meeting. This is one of the most important duties as a chapter leader. Since there are often questions about the voting process, I have summarized the process below.

Voter registration - By now all chapters have provided the name of their international Directors to the Region 1 chairs and International headquarters. If a chapter international Director cannot attend the annual conference, he/she must resign that duty and the chapter elects a replacement. BOD Credentials Certification Form must be submitted to International headquarters through the Region 1 chairs by May 1. At the region caucus I will have each international director sign in. The directors will then need to sign in again at the BOD meeting in order to receive their voting chip.

Participating in the process - As your IRWA Region 1 International Nominations and elections Committee representative, I will be contacting the International Executive Committee nominees to establish dialog on relevant IRWA issues that are important to our region. I'm asking you to take a minute and provide me your thoughts on pressing issues that will need to be addressed by these potential future leaders of our organization. I would like input from a wide range of perspectives to ensure our region is best served. If you prefer to discuss over the phone, please contact me at 916-732-5016. I will need this input prior to the INEC committee meeting which will take place March 26.

Awards – Region 1 submitted the following nominations for 2011 International awards;

Chapter of the Year (more than 100 members) –Chapter 28 Phoenix, Az

Employer of the year

Less than 20 employees –

Central Contra Costa Sanit. Dist. Chp.2,

CE Prime, Inc. Chapter 11

More than 20 employees –

San Diego Gas & Electric Chapter 11

Newsletter (over 100 chapter members) -

Chapter 2 "Bayviews", San Francisco

Chapter 11 "Cabrillo" Newsletter San Diego

Chapter 57 "Communicator" Inland Empire Riverside/San Bernadino

SARPRA Scholarship –

Amy Robertson - Chapter 2

Alison Mandelbaum – Chapter 11

Mike Foulger - Chapter 11

April DeJesus – Chapter 11

Sam Grombacker - Chapter 28

George Dickinson Chapter 47

Audrey Wegerle – Chapter 57

Frank C. Balfour Professional of the Year Award-

James P. Anthony, SR/WA, RW-NAC – Chapter 11

This is a fantastic showing for Region 1!!! Winners will be announced at the International Conference. Good luck to all applicants.

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