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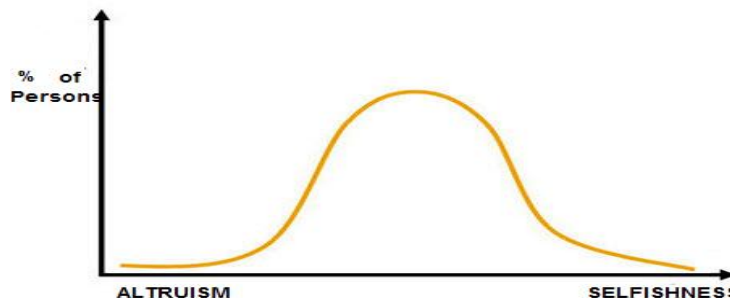
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Dear Colleagues:

November 4 was a successful meeting, with over 30 attendees and there are some new faces on the Executive Board, which thrills me to no end. While we have come to depend on Kris, Lorraine, Walter among others who have served so well, the fact is that no one person or group of persons can be solely responsible for our Chapter. It takes the active involvement of all of us to keep this Chapter vibrant and growing. I hope this is just the start of a trend where more of our members will see the value to themselves and to their careers in taking a more active roll. Working together, the load is not that heavy while the rewards are there for all.



I believe that human behavior can be described by a bell curve of caring for others. On one extreme, we find the likes of Hitler, self absorbed and with no concern for others, while at the other extreme we find Mother Teresa's altruism. Most of us fit somewhere in the middle, with both a concern for others and a desire to indulge ourselves. As we move toward either "extreme", we become more unique because there are fewer like us when we move from the center. So..., if you would like to become more unique, I suggest trying more acts of kindness. Not only has medical research confirmed that positive acts reduce stress making good deeds good for you, but as more people do that, the bell curve will be pulled more to the extreme of love, and what could be wrong with that?

Sincerely,

Dave

**December 9, 2009 will be our Annual Holiday party at
Oyster Point, Red Bank 2:30 PM**

You can see the announcement at http://www.irwanj.org/12-9-09_Mark_Your_Calendars.pdf
Please make your reservations early with Jackie Graham 609-267-7920 or
jacquelinejoplin@yahoo.com

PS We need your help. We want to have some live entertainment, but we are drawing a blank. Perhaps you know someone who (for a reasonable price) can join us in Red Bank and provide a magic show, or some holiday tunes, or perhaps something else fun we haven't thought of. Please let Jackie know if you have an idea for us. Thanks

2010 Annual International Education Conference
To be held in Calgary, AB - June 27 - 30, 2010

For information on future meetings and a retrospective on the 2009 Annual meeting, please visit:
<https://www.irwaonline.org/EWEB/DynamicPage.aspx?Site=irwa071306&WebKey=8cf33960-2f15-46f3-ad2e-dc0895149269>

Previous Meetings:

November 4th was our Annual meeting held at Café Gallery. Our topic was Green Acres Diversions, presented by Dave Smith of the Green Acres program. We had a great attendance, in excess of 30 people. During the meeting, we elected a new slate of officers and approved the revisions to the bylaws. Our Bob RaVell was named Right-of-Way Professional of the Year and was presented with the plaque by Dave Kook. Tony Pagano won a free lunch meeting.

Bylaws Change.

Proposed revisions to Chapter 15's By-Laws were emailed by Dave Kook to the membership with the meeting notice. Bob RaVell made a motion to accept the amendments to the By-Laws. Lorraine Gorman seconded the motion and a vote was taken. The vote to accept the amendments to the By-Laws was unanimous. The bylaws are now submitted to the IRWA General Counsel for approval

Chapter Elections

Our last newsletter had noted a number of candidates who had offered to serve in various offices. At our November meeting some negotiated changes were made in the offices people were interested in serving in. Once everyone was comfortable with the offices, Lorraine Gorman introduced the slate of officers. Lorraine then requested nominations from the floor. No nominations were made. Bob RaVell made a motion to accept the officer as listed by Lorraine. Mike Rutter seconded the motion. The vote to accept the new officers was unanimous

<u>Position</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Term</u>
President	Doug Webb	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Vice President	Bruce Blair	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Secretary	Marla Kriney	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Assistant Secretary	Amy LeMaster-Solano	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Treasurer	Walter Scharfenberg	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Assistant Treasurer	Melanie Brown	1/1/10 – 6/30/11
Director A	David Kook	1/1/10 – 12/31/11
Director B*	Kristina Hofmann*	1/1/09 – 12/31/10

*Still serving term

Funnies

My mother was away all weekend at a business conference. During a break, she decided to call home collect. My six-year-old brother picked up the phone and heard a stranger's voice say, "We have a Marcia on the line. Will you accept the charges?"

Frantic, he dropped the receiver and came charging outside screaming, "Dad! They've got Mom! And they want money!"

Two American tourists are driving through Wales. They decide to stop for a bite to eat in the village of Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogo-gogoch.*

Baffled by the name, one of them turns to a local and asks, "Would you please say where we are—very slowly?"

The Welshman leans over and says, very slowly, "Burr-r-gerrr Kinngg."

**We kid you not! The 3,000 people in this community on the island of Anglesey must spend hours writing their return address.*

Trying to explain to our five-year-old daughter how much computers had changed, my husband pointed to our brand-new personal computer and told her that when he was in college, a computer with the same amount of power would have been the size of a house.

Wide-eyed, our daughter asked, "How big was the mouse?"

(Readers Digest)