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PRESIDENTS LETTER

President's Letter 4/27/17

It's been a different year than most of the last half-dozen or more. We've been getting more calls for boundary surveys from developers and house-flippers. I know those of you that do a lot of work for developers have been busy in this area as well. That's obviously a good sign of economic development. The re-purposing of older buildings around Cleveland, especially for condos and apartments is another example of the rebound in the residential markets. The Construction Market has picked up after a slower than usual winter.



One of my goals this year for PLSO is to have a CPD seminar on construction contracts and liens for surveyors. If any of you know someone who would be a good presenter for this topic, please contact me at MikeS@StraubSurveying.com or give me a call at (440) 333-1700.

Don't forget to get out there and have some fun. The Hooley at Kamm's Corners is on May 13th. If you've not been – go. Fun times as Lorain Road is shut down for that Saturday and a stage is setup for several bands. The 8th Annual Asian Fest centered at Payne Ave. and E. 27th Street is May 20-21st, in addition to the old standby – the National Rib Cookoff at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds May 26 – May 29th. Bring an extra wet wipe.

It's golf time! Keep in mind your very own PLSO Outing is coming up in June. Tom Snezak has done a great job putting this together again. If you weren't able to participate last year, try it this year. The North Olmsted course is quite a refreshing change from our east side venue. Now is the time to talk to your clients so they can make room in their schedule – and yours! I'm a lousy golfer, but I still look forward to it every year. Sponsoring a hole is a great way to get your name out there and help the cause. Get your registrations in early and save Tom the headaches of last-minute scheduling and arrangements.

Until next time, be safe out there.

Mike Straub

Straub Surveying

2016 Cleveland Chapter President

To All members:

New State Board office location:
PLSO
150 East Wilson Bridge Road
Suite 300
Worthington, Ohio 43085

May 18, 2017
Membership Chapter Meeting & CPD
Speaker Alex
GEO-Ohio
5:30 Socializing
6:15 Dinner
See page 6 for details

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May Membership Meeting

Where: **King Wah Restaurant** 20668 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River

When: **Thursday, May 18th**; 5:30 PM Social; 6:15 PM dinner; 7:00 PM CPD Seminar

Who: **Alex Cherchian**, owner of Geo-Ohio, the Authorized Leica Survey and Engineering Distributor in the State of Ohio. I have been in the Surveying and Engineering Industry for 20 years. First with a Trimble dealer selling Trimble and for the last 13 selling Leica. He will giving a presentation of the ease of doing Line Work in the field inside of Captivate SW from Leica and answer any questions about GPS, Total Stations or the future of equipment to come."

What: Dinner, **\$24.00**/person; includes 2 Drinks from the Bar (Courtesy Alex Cherchian)

Why: one hour CPD

Dinner Options, includes choice of egg roll or spring roll, choice of 4 soups, and

Beef Chow Mein (crunchy fried noodles) or Chop Suey (rice)

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Mongolian Beef (lightly breaded, sesame, scallions, broccoli)

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Delegates Report

April 7, 2017
State Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting called to order about 6:00 PM at The Office of PLSO 150 East Wilson Bridge Road Suite 300 Worthington, Ohio 43085
It was determined that a quorum was present

Secretary's minutes for the March 2017 meeting were passed by a motion.

Treasurer report for March, 2017 was accepted for financial review.

Motions were passed to accept the membership of 2 Professional, 1 Life, and 3 Students

CEAO: Will be hiring a Executive Director soon. Hosting the National Conference in Cincinnati

State Board: Press releases from State Board Meeting will be published in the OSN.
They will conduct about 250 audits throughout the year.

Political Action: Balance \$2,950.35

2022 Survey Datum: Ray Foos reported that NGS is expected to introduce the new datum in April.

NSPS: Bob Akins attended the 2017 Spring meeting held March 14-17 in Silver Springs, Maryland.
See attach items that were discussed at the meetings.

Annual Conferences

2017 at Kalahari Resort and Conference Center on Feb. 15-18, 2017 was well attended. There are still outstanding billing, Melinda hoes to wrap up the final report in May.

2018 Sharonville Convention Center, Cincinnati, Melinda will be meeting with the Convention center to finalize the contracts.

2019-2021 Hilton Easton, Columbus, contracts completed

Fall Seminar

2017 Oct 12-12, 2017 Hilton Polaris, Columbus

2018 Toledo

2019 Mason

2020 **Cleveland Marriott Airport**

Legislation : Kyle Davis reported on House Bill 75 which would soften the requirements for Military families to obtain a license in another state.

Finance: George Hofmann review first 6 months report compiled by Melinda Gilpin and found all to be in order, Financials for March were also review and found in order.

Scholarship: Rocky Lomano reported that deadline for applicants will be May 5, 2017

Brief summary's were given on Chapter delegates reports. Closing remarks were given by President Elect Curt Deibel, Ex. Director Melinda Gilpin and President Charles Harkness.

President Harkness thanked all for attending and closed the meeting

Meeting adjourn about 7:18PM

Respectfully submitted

George A. Hofmann, 2017 Cleveland Chapter Delegate



George Hofmann
Delegate

RANDOMLINES, MAY, 2017

MENTORING

Don't look up the word "mentoring" in the dictionary, you will probably not find it. I believe that the "ing" attached to the word "mentor" would indicate the act of being a "mentor."

In a recent issue of one of the professional journals I receive, there was an article about mentoring the next generation of Professional Surveyors. This is an old and honorable way of setting the foundation for the future of our profession. With so many of the Professional Surveyors reaching retirement age, some one has to pass on the history and actions, and the ethics, of our Profession. You can not leave it all to the college professors and teaching assistants. This should be done by the experienced Surveyor who has real world experience.



John Dailey,

We must pass on the talent of looking for evidence, such as the old barbed wire imbedded in the trees along the property line, the pile of stones along those same lines that the original owner placed after digging them out of his farm fields, how to look for and find the hundred year old stone that controlled all the surrounding properties and how to accept that this stone is correct, even though it is not where your calculations say it should be. We have to instill the idea of following in the footsteps of the original surveyor to determine not only location, but intent. What were the original intents of the property transfer.

More years ago than I want to remember, I was at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Land Surveyors. At that meeting, their State Board of Registration took a young Surveyor to task "for using equipment too good for the job." Now I had been preaching upgrading equipment for some time. I was sitting there hyper-ventilating and the Board President, the venerable Mr. Henry Sipe, told me to take a deep breath and hear the rest of the story. It seems that this young Surveyor was "retracing" surveys with his brand new theodolite and electronic measuring device. He was taking a 150 year old deed that called for a line to be 10 chains long, dialing 660.000 feet into his EDM and saying that was the correct location. Mr. Sipe reminded him that the conditions when the original survey was run were slightly different than today, There were many trees, rough terrain and the equipment was not near as precise. His thoughts were for the young Surveyor to "follow in the steps of the original Surveyor", drag his tape up and down the hillsides for the 10 chains, then search for evidence defining the location of the original corner, THEN use this late 20 Century equipment to determine the actual length and report it on his survey plat.

That is "Mentoring,"

I realize that the art of mentoring is very hard today in this age of one man survey crews, satellite surveying, drone observations and the myriad of "correct coordinates" of property corners on GIS mapping systems, but basic survey knowledge does not change. Only the tools used change.

Take the time to pass on the knowledge you acquired over your career. You owe it to our profession.

John E. Dailey, P.S. Retired, Past

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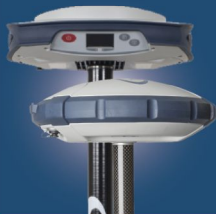
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Members Corner

An opinion rendered from one of our members.

Members - It's Fence Season!!

It has been reported to Chapter that some Registered Surveyors listed Home Advisor are offering "Pin Marking Surveys" without performing an actual Boundary Survey.

This practice of only marking found pins in the field is a major disservice to the public, makes the profession look poorly, and is also illegal.

We as professional understand the Boundary law as it pertains to properly lines as well as "found vs. called out monumentation", where the public might not.

We all have taken the oath as surveyors to protect the right and well-being of the public.

Members remember as Professional Land Surveyors in Ohio, we are required by O.R.C Chapter 4733-37 Standards for Boundary Surveys, as well as O.R.C. 711, to perform a true boundary survey meet all of the state codified ordinances, set pins where missing, and to provide a map of survey.

I have been told the client was advised to turn this individual to the State Board by the City.

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I added three photos to add as well.

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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes –

April 18, 2017 at 6:00 PM

Neff and Associates 6405 York Rd, Parma Heights, OH 44130

Meeting called to order at 6:09 p.m.

In attendance: Mike Straub, Louise Veverka, George Hofmann, Tim Feller, Michael Kral.

Secretary's minutes:

Minutes from March 14th meeting accepted as submitted.

Treasury:

Committee accepted the treasurer's reports dated February 2017 and March as presented by Tim Feller. Activity of the account included interest and bank fees, a donation to the Mike Besch scholarship fund and a contribution to the University of Akron surveying student competition.

Chapter Delegate:

The State chapter accepted minutes as presented. The NSPS report was reviewed. New PLSO members included two professionals, one life and two student members. The State Board is planning an audit of 200 individuals with licenses in Ohio. The pact fund has \$2955.00. House Bill 75 is in question concerning reciprocity of licenses for Military individuals and their spouses when they relocate to a different state. The 2022 datum is scheduled to be introduced in April of 2022. A complete state report can be viewed in the next Cleveland Chapter newsletter.

Committees:

Membership Committee:

No new members. Louise is requesting a current list of Cleveland Chapter members from Melinda.

Newsletter Committee:

The Newsletter deadline is Sunday April 23, 2017. Submissions go to Louise for publishing

Website Committee:

Nothing reported.

Education/ Scholarship Committee:

The applications for the scholarship have been received. The scholarship applications are currently under review by the committee members. Mike Straub is in the process of preparing a spring CPD seminar.

Finance:

Financial information was covered in the Treasurers report.

Elections:

Nothing new to report.

Old Business:

Nothing discussed

Meeting Adjourn 7:07

Respectfully submitted by
Mike Kral

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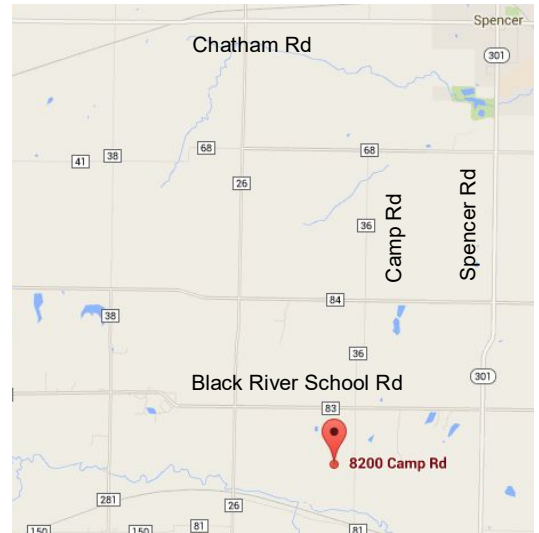
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Cleveland Chapter & State 2017 Schedule

Dates, times and locations subject to change, emails will be sent out with notification of any changes

Friday, January 13 - State PLSO Executive Meeting

Thursday - January 26, 2017 – Cleveland Chapter Annual General Meeting and installation of officers

February 15-18 , 2017 PLSO State conference in Annual Conference, Kalahari, **Sandusky, Ohio**

Friday, March 10 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, March 14 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 3/17/17)

Friday, April 14 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, April 18 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 4/21/17)

April STATE CPD Workshop (date and location TBA)

April (TBA) – Cleveland Chapter General Meeting & CPD

Friday, May 12 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, May 16 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 5/19/16)

May STATE CPD Workshop (date and location TBA)

Friday, July 14 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

July (TBA) - Clev. Chapter Education Recognition Meeting (newsletter deadline 7/21/17)

Friday, September 8 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 12 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 9/15/16)

October 12-13 - PLSO State Fall Seminar Hilton Polaris, **Columbus, Ohio**

Tuesday, Oct. 17 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 10/25/16)

Nov. (TBA) – Cleveland Chapter General Meeting & CPD

Friday, November 10 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 14 – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 11/19/17)

Friday, December 9 (tentative) – State PLSO Executive Meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 12 (if needed) – 6 p.m. Cleveland Chapter Executive Meeting (newsletter deadline 12/15/17)

Friday, January 13 , 2018 – State PLSO Executive Meeting

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