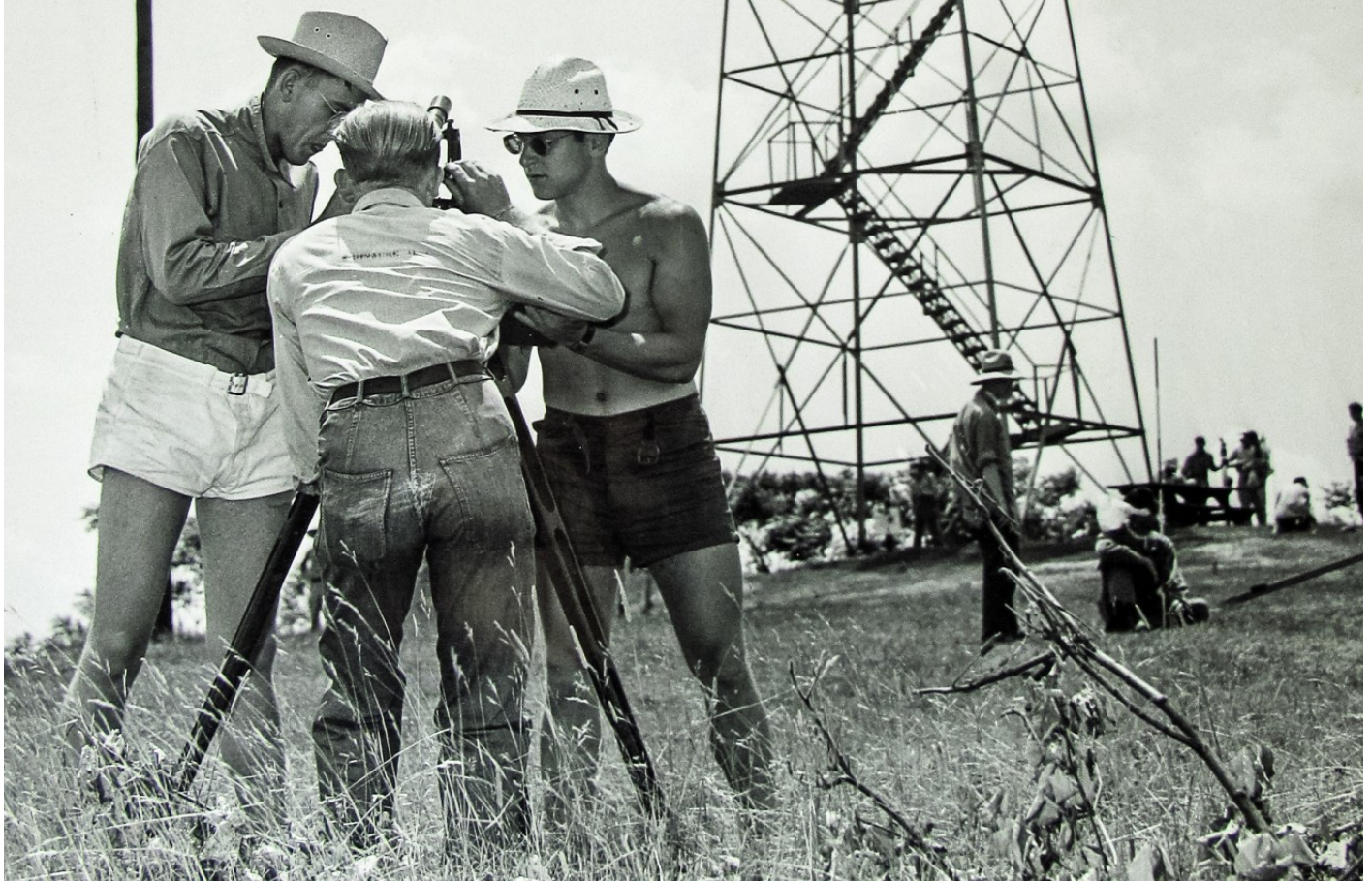


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President's Message

Working outside as we Surveyors do, comes with hazards. Surveying isn't a safe profession. I've worked with a range of different people in the field from 30 year field veterans to college students being in the field for the first time. What I've realized is working in a safe manner usually does not come naturally. We need to work safely.

Back when I was working in the summer during college I once tried to set a nail on the double yellow line on a 2 lane 35 MPH road while wearing a yellow t-shirt without any safety cones - alone! I have also recently come across a survey crew leaving the cover off a manhole on the centerline of a busy 2 lane road while they were on the tree lawn without their vehicle in the road blocking traffic from driving near the manhole. An old 18 inch cone placed 5 feet on each side of the manhole was all that warned drivers of a hazard in the road. I'm sure we could all add incidents of near misses with traffic or falls with most time being fortunate to get away without major injury.

Safety for Surveyors needs to of prime importance for field workers. Contractors and utility companies put a lot of time and money into safety training and equipment. You might argue that those industries have higher rates than Surveyors. Surveyors should have rates that account for proper safety practices, equipment, and training. Safety is good for the bottom line. Remember from Jim Smith's session at the 2011 PLSO Annual Conference, a safe worker (and happy worker) is more productive.

Be safe out there this Summer and leave the field hazards and contaminants in the field.



Robert Hoy
President

Robert Hoy, PS
Chapter President

2014 Annual Conference - Cleveland (Sort of)

Due to the InterContinental Hotel's scheduling and contract conflict error, the 2014 PLSO Annual Conference will be relocated to Kalahari Resort in Sandusky. Not through an fault of PLSO, we found ourselves without a suitable hotel in the Cleveland area available for our required February dates. The Cleveland Chapter will still be the host chapter at Kalahari in 2014. The annual conference will also return to Kalahari in 2017.

Conference Chairman Ken Hejduk would like your ideas on how to get Surveying Program college students and non-PLSO member Surveyors into the conference at least for a short period of time to get them interested in joining PLSO to invigorate our membership with new energy.

If you have any suggestions for the conference, see the committee chairmen below and pass along your ideas.

Conference Chairman Ken Hujduk: general conference ideas, kenh@hca-es.com
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Want to sponsor a session break, a lunch, or the Thursday evening benefit/auction? Contact PLSO Executive Director Melinda Gilpin: info@ohiosurveyor.org

2013 Chapter Officers

We still have vacancies at President-Elect and Secretary. Come to our June dinner meeting on the 6th to find out how you can help out and bring in your fresh energy to our chapter.

Chapter Executive Committee Meeting

Our next executive committee meeting will be Monday August 12th, 6PM at Parma City Hall. All PLSO members are welcome.

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Are you using, www.plso.info yet? There are a lot of surveys in it, a **gold mine** of old survey information. We want feedback from chapter members on the website and its information. George Hofmann is close to securing more records from another retired surveyor which may end up, over time, in this survey database.

Email Dino Lustri with questions and comments at dino@dlengineeringllc.com



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Random Lines

by John Dailey, P.S.

Heroes and Monuments

Recently, Jack Hoy brought to my attention a newspaper article about former Chapter Treasurer Henry (Hank) Papilli. Hank worked for the Cuyahoga County Engineer for many years and was a charter member of the Cleveland Chapter. He may have been our longest serving Treasurer. It was always fun to work with Hank because he always had a story.

Hank was honored by the nation of France for his service during World War II. He was presented the Legion of Honor, the highest honor in France. Henry entered the Army in 1943, landed in Normandy and was severely wounded during the Battle of the Hedgerows. For you younger people, go look at a history of the European campaign. The hedgerows were very dense patches of intertwined bushes that marked road lines, boundary lines and just about everything else in western France. They made a formidable and natural defense for the Germans trying to stop the Ally's advance. A lot of people were wounded or killed breaking through those hedgerows. Hank was one of the luck ones, he was wounded but he came home.

Hank is now 92 years old. He was a dedicated public servant and was always dedicated to his profession and to the Cleveland Chapter. Thank you, Hank, for your service to our country and to our profession.

On another issue, there is a movement afoot to "modernize" Cleveland's Public Square. The City wants to make the Square more people friendly and usable. The landscape architects showed some very nice renderings of what the Square could look like and how it could be used. After looking at the Square, it could use some updating.

One very obvious omission, at least to me as a Surveyor, was any mention about the City's founder Moses Cleaveland. His beautiful bronze statue has stood in the southwest quadrant in front of the Terminal Tower and the Renaissance Hotel since 1898. I always felt comfortable knowing that Moses was watching over the center of our city with a Surveyor's compass cradled in his arm and a Jacob's staff in his hand. It just gave me a sense of continuity.

It would be a shame to see Moses's statue put on

wheels and moved all over as has happened to other statues of Cleveland heroes. The statue of Tom L. Johnson, reform minded Mayor of Cleveland in the early 20th century currently stands in a courtyard at the Western Reserve Historical Society. Oliver Hazard Perry, victor of the Battle of Lake Erie during the War of 1812 had his statue moved so often that they almost put wheels on it.



John Dailey, P.S.

Perry started off in the middle of Public Square. He was moved to the southeast quadrant only to be displaced by the Soldiers and Sailors Monument. He was again moved to a small lake at Wade Park, only to be displaced again by the Cleveland Museum of Art. He was moved again to Gordon Park where he overlooked Lake Erie. By this time the original statue had deteriorated badly, so two bronze replicas were cast. One was sold to the State of Rhode Island and the other went to Gordon Park. I am not sure where that one is right now. The original went to Perrysburg, Ohio.

The Cleveland Public Square was set out as property to be held in trust for the people of "New Connecticut." I certainly hope that the "powers that be" remember that fact. It is not "theirs," It is ours. This proposed plan should be open for a great deal of public discussion before the plans are finalized and the first spade of dirt is turned.

I believe that this profession and this Chapter should dedicate itself to the protection of the Moses Cleaveland monument on Cleveland's Public Square. In this modern age, it is far too easy to forget where we came from and who we should thank for laying the groundwork for us. We all stand on the shoulders of those who went before us and they should be honored, not cast out and forgotten in some warehouse.

On another note, Seth Pease, Chief Astronomer and Surveyor on the first survey party and the chief surveyor of the second died of dysentery in 1819 and was buried in Philadelphia. I will be going there and will attempt to find his "new" grave since he was moved in the 1830's. Do you see a pattern here with heroes?

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You should have seen the golf outing reservation form back on page 7. Sign up your employees, co-workers, friends, and family, then send in your check to Tom Snezek. It's a great time, and a wonderful social event to meet and relax with fellow surveyors.

Are you a chapter member who golfs a lot? We've been considering changing up the format and location of this outing to a more novice friendly and exciting scramble format. Let Rick Ziegman or Tom Snezek know of your interest to help on this.

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May Seminar Review

On May 2nd, Alex Cherchian of Leica Geosystems sponsored a free seminar for our chapter.

Thanks to Past President Dino Lustri for coordinating for his office to host this seminar after our usual location was unavailable this month.

April Social Dinner

On April 4th, Jack Hoy presented a slide show of Camp Case, the Surveying field camp which was required by all engineering students back in the first half of the 20th century.

Photos from it will pop up in the CSN from time to time, including on the cover of this issue.

Thanks goes to Peter D. Zwick for helping arrange access to the records and photo and John G. Hoy for preparing the photos and powerpoint presentation.



Photo by Michael Ackerman

Cleveland Chapter's Delegate Report

Presented by Thomas Snezek, Chapter Delegate

The report included herein is offered only as informational to the members of the Cleveland Chapter. The reader is deferred to the approved minutes of the P.L.S.O. for any clarifications

Friday April 12, 2013

Call to order 6:01 PM

- 4 Officers, 2 Past Presidents and 11 Delegates, Quorum Established.
- January Minutes reviewed and accepted.
- Treasurer's Report –Reviewed and accepted subject to the Finance Committee's review, as per the Charter guidelines.
- New Members –Motion passed to accept 1 professional, 2 re-instatements and 2 Student members.

Committee Reports

- State Board of Registration –The Board has received a request for a position on transfer of mineral rights. Senator support is in place for moving forward with computer based testing. Probable effective date sometime in early 2014.
- Historic Fort Steuben membership meeting & dinner on May 1st at Steubenville County Club. Motion passed to contribute \$1500 to fund the old block house and original monument restoration.
- The Constitution Review committee need your comments. They are meeting on May 3rd. You can review the constitution on the web-site.
- Ohio Surveying News deadline is July 1st.
- N.S.P.S. Governor – Reported on progress of the Membership Committee reviewing the M.O.U. received from the N.S.P.S. to offer full membership to any Professional Surveyor who is a member of a state organization for \$40.00 per year. Bob Akins is requesting to have chapters group together to schedule a presentation over the next month to educate and answer questions. This will precede a future vote of the general membership. Time is short. This must move forward one way or the other very soon.
- Trig Star is up and running. Peter Zwick is administering the test this week at St. Edwards High School.
- Annual Conferences –2014 committee met at the InterContinental Hotel on March 22. Programming is moving forward. We are on schedule.
- Legislation –The attempted bill to establish a sale/service tax has failed and is dead.

PLSO Staff report

- E-billing will to allow you to pay your annual dues with a credit card will be tested and is expected to be available by July 2013.

Adjourned at 7:38 PM.



Thomas Snezek
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Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Committee Meeting Highlights

April 15, 2013

Parma City Hall

In attendance Treasurer Tim Feller, President Robert Hoy, Chapter Delegate Tom Snezek, Jack Hoy on Programs and Steve Metcalf general member.

Delegates Report

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Thomas Snezek
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New Business

Steve Metcalf will present the scholarship options to the surveying student body at U of Akron in an effort to increase scholarship activity.

Steve will also investigate a possible "Surveyor Spotlight" section for the newsletter.

Cleveland Chapter of PLSO 2013 Calendar

Chapter Executive Meetings are 6 p.m. at Parma City Hall and are open to all PLSO members who want to attend.

May 22 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

Jun 6 Education Appreciation dinner

Jun 28 William J. Haas Memorial Golf

Jul 12 PLSO Executive Meeting

Aug 12 Chapter Executive Meeting

Aug 16 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

Sep 5 Chapter Meeting

Sep 13 PLSO Executive Meeting

Sep 16 Chapter Executive Meeting

Sep 19 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

Oct 3 Social Dinner Meeting

Oct 11 PLSO Executive Meeting

Oct 21 Chapter Executive Meeting

Oct 23 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

Nov 7 Seminar Meeting

Nov 8 PLSO Executive Meeting

Nov 18 Chapter Executive Meeting

Dec 13 PLSO Executive Meeting (if needed)

Dec 16 Chapter Executive Meeting (if needed)

Dec 18 Cleveland Surveying News deadline (if needed)

Jan 10 PLSO Executive Meeting

Jan 13 Chapter Executive Meeting

Jan 14 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

Jan 23 Chapter Annual Meeting