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# Social Dinner Meeting

# **Thursday November 6**

Location: Das Schnitzel Haus

5728 Pearl Road, Parma

440-886-5050

Cost: Order off the menu, pay your own bill.

Come for good food, talk shop with fellow Surveyors, volunteer to be a 2015 Chapter Officer or Committee Chair, and have a good time!

Talk over what you heard and learned at the October GPS Seminar we put on.

Find out how you can help the Cleveland Chapter run in 2015, your help is needed! All Ohio Surveyors benefit from PLSO efforts!



# **Schedule**

6:00 Socializing 6:30 Dinner

# Reservations

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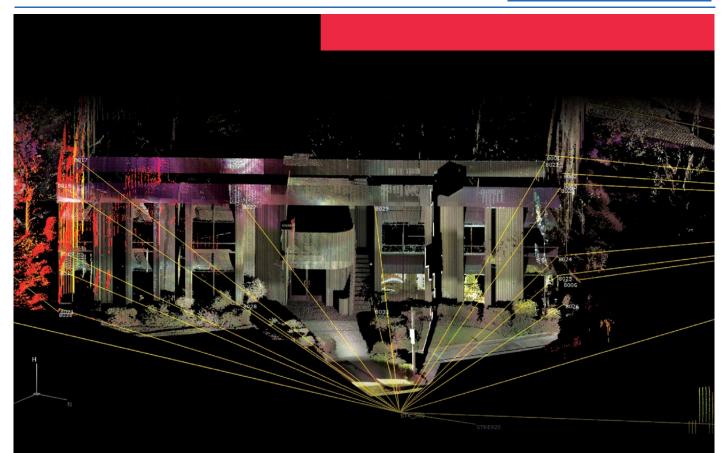
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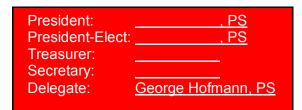


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# 2015 Officers



We are on the eye of November and here is our officer list to date for our 2015 Chapter. A slim list.

Offices of President, President-Elect, and Delegate *must* be filled by a Chapter member of Professional, Life, or Retired categories.

We need **you** to get involved! If you're currently an officer or committee chair and want to continue in 2015, please let me know.

There are non-officer committees that need filled that include: Scholarship, Trig\*Star, Social Program, Membership.

Our Chapter runs most efficiently when people pitch in and help. The time is now.

> Robert Hoy, PS Past President

# **Chapter Executive Committee Meeting**

Our next executive meeting will be:

When: **Monday November 17** 

Time: 6:00 pm

Where: Neff & Associates

> 6405 York Road Parma Heights

We have 2015 Officer openings see the left side of this page!

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# **Random Lines**

by John Dailey, PS

An Open Letter to:

The Surveyor, Technician or Whatever working in Parma Heights on West Ridgewood Drive between York Road and Ames Drive on Wednesday, October 8, 2014:



John Dailey, P.S.

Dear Sir:

# Were you born stupid or did you have to gain that by experience?

I was driving westbound on West Ridgewood heading towards York Road and saw you working with a GPS rover rod, jumping in and out of traffic (which was reasonably heavy) gathering information. True, you were wearing a florescent green shirt, but there was no other indication that you were there, no cones, no signs, nothing. It was a reasonably sunny day and there were deep and intermittent shadows making it hard for a driver to see you. I hope you made it home that night.

You were not only a danger to yourself, but also to the drivers on the street.

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# Random Lines (from Page 8)

May I suggest that you take a course in survey safety or do some research into safety procedures published by the various state highway departments. It may allow everyone involved to go home safely at the end of the day.

Very Truly Yours, John E. Dailey, P.S. <u>jdaileye@sbcglobal.net</u>

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Well, it is getting to that time of year again when the Cleveland Chapter will be begging someone to step forward and help lead this Chapter. It is not a hard or time consuming job if there are enough people to help carry the load. You cannot expect a couple of people to do everything for you.

This is your Professional Society, working to protect your status and your ability to earn a living. If you think you are a "lone wolf," think again. We sorely need a united front to face the various challenges to our profession. More and more of our services are being performed by button pushers. PLSO is such a professional society and NSPS is another.

I know that many of you support the professional societies financially by being members, but what is needed is ACTIVE members., people who will step into a leadership position and be ACTIVE.

From personal experience, I can say that my years of active participation were very worthwhile from a business perspective. Some of the friends I have made along the way have become lifelong friends, The business contacts that you make are priceless. The networking possibilities are endless.

The sideline sitters are really missing out. Besides the business aspects, it is fun. Get into the game. You will not regret it.

John E. Dailey, Past

# **Cleveland Chapter's Delegate Report**

\*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\*

Thursday October 16, 2014 Great Wolf Lodge – Mason Ohio Call to Order 5:41 PM

- 15 Officers and Delegates present, Quorum Established.
- Review and passage of September 2014 meeting minutes with no changes.
- Treasurer's Report –Reviewed and accepted subject to the Finance Committee's review, as per the Charter guidelines.
- New Members 6 Professional, 1 Affiliate, 2 Student were reviewed and motions
  passed to accept. Note that we welcome back Professional members Terrence (Cont'd on Page 10)

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# Delegate's Report (from Page 9)

### Worsech and Chris Hirzel.

- The PAC fund is at \$1999.35 with numerous donations coming in at the conference.
- The next OSN newsletter deadline is December 1st. That issue will have all you need to know about the Annual Conference.
- Director Gilpin and NSPS Governor Bob Akins will attend their conference in Kansas in late October.
- There are three workshops available soon. One in Aurora on November 7, one in Columbus on November 21 and one in Toledo on December 12.
- Director Gilpin reported that as of October 1st. there are 1055 members in the P.L.S.O. with 800 of them signing up for the N.S.P.S. membership this year.
- Finance Committee chairman George Hofmann reviewed the proposed 2015 budget. It will be voted on at the November Excom meeting and approved by the membership at the annual conference.
- A motion was made and passed to authorize the management to put a bid together to offer limited administrative services to the Ohio Surveyor's Historical Society.
- -P.L.S.O. will have a booth at the O.T.E.C. conference this fall.
- President Bingham noted that with the exam process now available on line for the S.I. and E.I. candidates the tendency is for them to get their certificates by mail and not attend the ceremonies. Only three S.I. and E.I. were in attendance. He discussed having new registrants be recognized at the conferences.
- Adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M. Snezek, PS Acting Chapter Delegate and State Secretary



# **Executive Committee Meeting Highlights**

**October 18, 2014** 6:05 p.m.

# In attendance:

The meeting was canceled due to officer schedule conflicts. Our last meeting of the calendar year will be on November 14th. See page 6 for details.



Steven Metcalf Secretary

# Cleveland Chapter of PLSO 2014 Calendar

Chapter Executive Meetings are held 6 p.m. at the office of Neff & Associates at 6405 York Road Parma Heights and are open to all PLSO members who want to attend.

Nov 6 Social Dinner
Nov 14 PLSO Executive Meeting

# Nov 17 Chapter Executive Meeting

Nov 21 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

**Dec 8** Chapter Executive Meeting (if needed)

# 2015

Jan 10 PLSO Executive Meeting

Jan 12 Chapter Executive Meeting

Jan 13 Cleveland Surveying News deadline

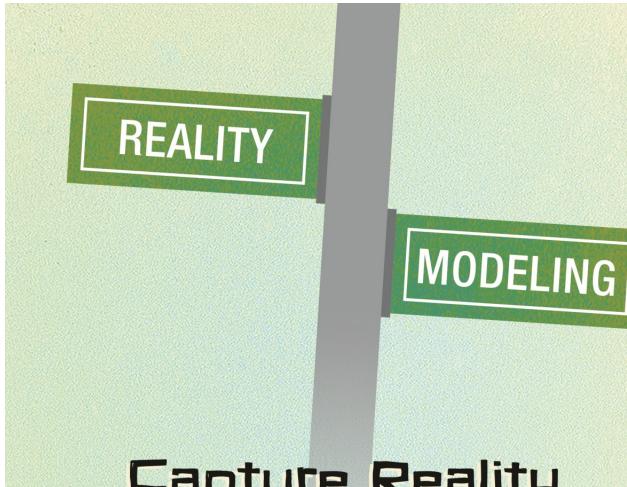
Jan 22 Annual Meeting

# PLSO: Who Are We?

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We encourage you to contact any of our local members when you or your constituents have questions. Professional Surveyors can be particularly helpful for: determining setbacks, splitting property, resolving conflicting deeds, locating structures, identifying encroachments, writing easement or submerged land lease descriptions, and staking improvements such as fences and buildings.

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# **CPD Seminar Review**

October 2, 2014

# **GNSS Best Practices**

by Gary Schuller, PS & Ted Muns, SI

50 surveyors showed up for our seminar. Lots of good conversation, networking, and good food. There's definitely a lot of interest in GNSS. With GNSS there's several ways to "skin the cat" and get different results in the process.



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