

CLSA eNews April 2017

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Passing of Delwyn Rasmussen



The surveying profession lost Delwyn "Rass" Rasmussen, PLS 2689, on March 13th at the age of 99. In the Monterey Peninsula area, he made a mark for thorough and accurate work. When one

finds a Rasmussen corner, we locals know it was set right. He began doing land surveying work in the 1940s, became licensed in 1951, and started his own business in 1955. He had been a member of the California Land Surveyors Association since 1968, and was honored with Life Membership in CLSA in 1995. My first encounter with Rass was when he was a guest speaker in an Engineering Orientation class during 1964. His presentation was about the land surveying profession, and it changed my life.

One of his most complex projects was the 1978 Official Map of the Custom House Redevelopment Project in Monterey; the street layouts there were originally determined by the "best fit" between the old adobes. This project turned a blighted area into the present Custom House Plaza with the traffic tunnel below. Rass kept his license current after retirement; he had the lowest PLS number among all of the active licenses issued in California. He remarkably lived his last eight years "off the grid" taking care of the land and a collection of animals. He set a fine example for many of us, and will be very much missed.

- Steve C. Wilson

Passing of Richard Siegmund



We are sad to report that CLSA Past President, Richard Siegmund passed away on Monday, March 27, 2017.

Alan Hillwig is creating two memorial plaques and is asking that anyone who would like to be included to please send 2 of your LS Tags to him. Alan can be reached at 909-794-2673, ext. 28 or Alan@hillwig-goodrow.com. Please mail your tags to Alan at 31407 Outer Highway 10, Redlands. CA 92373 by April 21st.

Trig Star Event on April 22, 2017

The Riverside/San Bernardino Chapter's Trig Star event is rapidly approaching. It will be held on Saturday April 22, 2017 at Mt San Jacinto College (See flyer). The event runs from 8:30am - 12:30pm. There will be basic survey challenges for students to see the skills surveyors use (pacing competition, reading a level, pacing 3 sides of a triangle, turning an angle, etc.) in the morning. There are also booths set up from colleges, vendors, and companies that the students can talk to.

At 10:30am, the students sit for a 1 hour exam. After the exam is completed, lunch is served, and the tests are graded. When grading is completed, cash prizes are given to the highest competitor from each school.



John Duquette is asking for volunteers that can help with these tasks. You are not required to stay for the entire morning. If you can only help for a few hours that is ok. They need help in the morning with the survey skills (early) and afternoon with proctoring and grading the exams. Lunch will be provided.

They also still have room for vendor booths. If your company or organization can send someone, that would be great.

If you are able to help out, or are willing to set up a booth please contact John directly at JDUQUETTE@mbakerintl.com



San Diego State Technical Meeting

A technical session will be held at San Diego State on April 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. The session will include presentations by Ron Eguchi of ImageCat, Inc.; Darryl Anunciado of Action Drone, Inc., and Mike Ritter of SlantRange, Inc. The closing presentation will be ASPRS President Becky Morton discussing An Overview of ASPRS Technologies and Areas of Research.

Please consider attending the session at San Diego State. A link to RSVP and request a parking pass is included in the <u>newsletter</u>.



2017 CLSA Webinar Schedule

The next CLSA webinar will take place on Wednesday, May 10th from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The topic is *Integrated Surveying for Maximum Productivity* presented by Robert Green. Please visit the CLSA store to register.

At their February meeting, CLSA's Board of Directors voted to charge non members to attend webinars. The cost will is \$25. Non members can choose to apply \$25 to membership dues if they choose to join CLSA after attending a webinar. The webinars will continue to be free for members.

Here is a schedule of webinars for the rest of the year.

Watch your inbox for information on how to register.

May 10, 2017 - Integrated Surveying for Maximum Productivity
June 14, 2017 - Boundary Surveys for Large Public Works
July 12, 2017 - Demystifying Reference Frames and 3D Datums
August 30, 2017 - Good Neighbor Fence Act of 2016 (AB 1404)
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New Mexico State University and New Mexico Professional Surveyors Ask For Support of NMSU Geomatics Program

New Mexico Professional Surveyors (NMPS) is partnering with New Mexico State University (NMSU) in seeking financial contributions to the geomatics program for a three year period. This program is a modernized industry desired redesign of the former survey engineering program while continuing a pathway to licensure. Due to current budget constraints, NMSU continuing to provide higher education for students seeking a career in the geospatial industry is dependent on outside financial support. Your contribution will help support one of two needed faculty positions for this industry desired program.

Please click here for more information.

2017 Corner Record Forms Now Available

The CLSA store is now offering the 2017 corner record forms. The forms are sold in packages of 25 and they are \$10 for members and \$20 for non members.

Click here to order your 2017 Corner Record Forms!

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CLSA Education Foundation

The CLSA Education Foundation was established in 1993 and is committed to supporting land surveying students and programs. Last year over \$50,000 in scholarship aid was

provided to land surveying students.

Donating to the Education Foundation is easy! Click here to donate via PayPal.



Thank you to everyone who clicks through to Amazon through the CLSA's Education Foundation Amazon Smile account! If you're not doing so already, please shop on Amazon with this link.

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