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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



We have been granted a bit of reprieve in regards to occupying benchmarks for the Geoid 2018 model. The deadline has been extended to September 21st. Currently we have approximately 74% accounted for throughout the State. The areas needing the most attention are the following counties: Del Norte, Humboldt, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, and some parts of San Bernardino. If you are in the area, please consider taking a few hours of your time to assist in completing this very important project. We only have a few days left. <u>Click here to sign up.</u>

For those of you in Southern California, you do not want to miss the Cal Poly Pomona Conference on September 20th. They have a good lineup of speakers with the Immediate Past President of NCEES, Pat Tami, as the keynote speaker. **REGISTER HERE**.

Speaking of NCEES, I had the privilege of attending the NCEES last month at their annual meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona. It was impressive to observe the dedication these folks have towards protecting the public by advancing professional licensure for engineers and surveyors. It was quite interesting to cover topics that affect our profession such as machine control and drones. Each state had some variation on their emphasis regarding the necessary requirements for licensure; however, I came away feeling they were seeking a commonality.

The deadline for the Fall version of the California Surveyor is quickly approaching and we need articles from you. If you have a topic or an experience that you might consider of benefit to others, please submit to <u>Central Office</u>.

A big shout out to the Channel Islands Chapter, who apparently is working with the City of Santa Barbara on a monument preservation program. Also, to the Orange County Chapter for organizing a workshop with various Agencies and Districts on the importance of preserving monuments.

Finally, I would like to express our support of those affected by the fires, particularly those in Northern California. A good friend of mine and Past President who resides in the Redding area, Frank Lehman, offered the following advice:

"The one take away from our fires up here and from what Santa Rosa learned a year ago is that just because you may live in an urban environment doesn't mean that you are safe from a wildfire. Learn from our experiences. Before a fire gets even close, pull all landscaping ground cover away from your house, that includes redwood bark, bark chips, and dense ground vegetation. Make tight-fitting covers for the attic vents around your soffits so that embers won't get blown into your attic. Trim ornamental landscaping so that plants are separated by several feet and so that they do not provide a "ladder" for the fire to reach into taller trees where they can do more damage.

As the fire gets close, make sure to blow out and clean roof gutters, blow off entrances to house and garage, pull welcome mats far from doors, take gas tanks out of BBQ's and place them in the middle of the lawn, move patio furniture away from the house."

Ron Nelms CLSA President

CLSA LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE, MIKE BELOTE, NAMED ONE OF CAPITOL WEEKLY'S TOP 100 FOR 2018



Capitol Weekly is a publication that covers California's government and politics and their Annual Top 100 List ranks California's top unelected political power players, and Mike was ranked #57! <u>Capitol Weekly's Top 100</u> recognizes individuals who devote their professional lives to fighting for – or against – issues of state politics and policy, including lobbyists, bureaucrats, activists, trade group leaders, Capitol staffers and journalists. Here is the excerpt pertaining to Mike:

57. Mike Belote

Mike Belote is the President of California Advocates, Inc., one of California's first contract lobbying firms and one of its most respected. The firm represents blue chip companies like Apple, Delta Airlines, Equifax, Coca-Cola, Monsanto, NRG and more, and dozens of associations in diverse areas such as real estate, health care, law, agriculture and others. They also have a sizable presence in water — always a critical factor in California. A second division of the firm constitutes one of Sacramento's largest association management operations. Belote's philanthropic activities have supported Volunteers of America, the Public Legal Services Society at McGeorge School of Law, and My Sister's House, an organization focused on domestic violence and trafficking in the Asian Pacific Islander community. The latter bestowed Mike with its 2017 "Civic Hero of Hope" award, presented to him by California's Chief Justice, Tani Cantil-Sakauye. Full disclosure: Belote serves on the board of Open California, publisher of Capitol Weekly.

Congratulations to Mike!



CLSA Education Foundation News

The deadline for chapter, individual, and corporation scholarship pledges was September 15, 2018, but it has been extended to October 1, 2018.

In early October 2018 the final scholarships with correct award amounts will be posted on the Education Foundation web page.

December 15, 2018 is the final postmark date for scholarship applications. Applications must be correct, complete, and transcripts must be included. This application must include a recommendation letter from at least one professor and/or letter stating that the student will be included in the professor matrix.

By January 15, 2019 the scholarship selections will be made by the Education Foundation Directors.

For those who may not be aware, the Foundation provides matching funds for chapter scholarships in the amount of \$250 for any one scholarship of \$250 or greater. Matching funds for individual or corporate scholarships in the amount of \$250 will be provided for any one scholarship of \$750 or greater. This is an excellent opportunity to get the most reward for your dollar and help the students. Any chapter, individual, or corporation is provided scholarship applications for review and recommendation to the directors prior to the selection process. When selecting scholarships, the directors fill all recommendations first prior to making the remainder of the scholarship selections.

Bill Hofferber, Chairman CLSA Education Foundation

CLSA Bylaws Amended

The CLSA members recently voted on and approved the bylaw amendment that was approved by the Board of Directors in April 2018. The updated version of the bylaws is attached.

The fourth paragraph of Article 8, Section 8.11 was changed from:

The Chapter may also elect up to two (2) Alternate Directors, if it so chooses. Each shall be a chapter member who is also a Corporate Member in good standing.

To:

The Chapter may elect two (2) or up to half the number of Directors, whichever is greater, as Alternate Directors, if it so chooses. In cases where a chapter has an odd number of directors, the number of Alternate Directors will be rounded up to the next whole number. Each Alternate Director shall be a

chapter member who is a Corporate Member in good standing.



CAL POLY POMONA GEOMATICS CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 20, 2018

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PASSING OF WILLIAM "BILL" SLEPNIKOFF



April 5, 1953 - August 22, 2018

Bill passed away suddenly at his home with his family at his side, at the age of 65. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Therese, and his devoted son, Nicholas; his dear sisters, Darla Hammond and Lori Dyer; and, his niece and nephews, Debbie, David and Sean. Bill will be fondly remembered and missed by his extended Corsiglia family.

As a San Francisco native, Bill grew up on Potrero Hill and was the son of William and Anne Slepnikoff. After graduating from Galileo High School, San Francisco State, and Fresno State, Bill began his career in surveying in the 1980's. Bill worked as a surveyor for 35 successful years in both the public and private sectors. At the time of his passing he had been working as the County Surveyor of Santa Clara County. Bill will be missed by his friends and colleagues in the survey community.

Throughout his life Bill treasured his time spent in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, Lassen National Park and Yosemite. He also enjoyed BBQing with his family and was an avid 49er, Giants, and Raider fan.

Services will be held at later date. Memorial donations can be sent to Sisters of St. Francis Memorial Fund, Hanna Boys Center, 17000 Arnold Drive, PO Box 100, Sonoma, California, 95476-0100.



2018 PUBLICATIONS ON SALE

We are pleased to announce that the 2018 editions of the **Subdivision Map Act and Index** and the **PE Act and PLS Act with Board Rules** are now available for purchase in the CLSA store. Orders typically ship within one week of purchase. Order yours today!

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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.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 4, 2018 [LCSO Southern Region]: Meeting

October 16, 2018 San Francisco Chapter - General Meeting

November 1, 2018 [LCSO Southern Region]: Meeting

November 3, 2018 CLSA Board of Directors Meeting (Virtual) November 20, 2018 San Francisco Chapter - General Meeting

> December 6, 2018 [LCSO Southern Region]: Meeting

December 18, 2018 San Francisco Chapter - General Meeting

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