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## 2018 CLSA Awards

We are pleased to announce the winners of the 2018 CLSA Awards. The awards were presented last month during the CLSA/NALS Joint Conference in at the Silver Legacy in Reno, Nevada. Many thanks to all who participated.



John Tosto  
CLSA Member of the Year



CLSA Los Angeles Chapter  
CLSA Chapter of the Year



Rich Brown - Central Valley Chapter  
CLSA Chapter Newsletter of the Year



Ron Nelms  
Outgoing CLSA President



Carl CdeBaca  
CLSA/NALS VonSchmidt Award

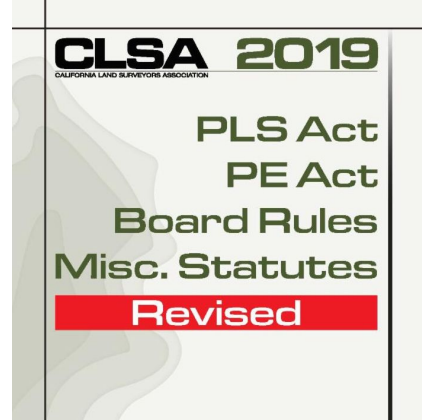


## CLSA 2019 Publications

CLSA's 2019 publications have been published and are currently for sale in the [CLSA Store](#).

Please note, after the books were published, we were made aware of errors in the small spiral bound PLS Act/PE Act/Board Rules/Misc. Statutes book and Subdivision Map Act book. We have mailed corrections to all purchasers of these 2 publications. If you

purchased these books in January or February and did not receive the corrections, please [contact CLSA Headquarters](#).



## NSPS Awards

NSPS is hoping that if you haven't yet submitted people, projects, articles or maps that are worth submittal that you will in the next week. It is an honor to be recognized by your peers and unfortunately not enough people take the time to make a submittal. But how cool would it be to sign emails as National Map Winning Draftsman or 2019 NSPS Affiliate of the Year? Please consider entering some or all these awards or contests.

[Affiliate of the Year](#)

[Student Project of the Year](#)

[Surveying Excellence Award](#)

[Earle J. Fennell Award](#)

In honor of Earle J. Fennell, ACSM President 1966-1967 and ACSM Executive Director 1968-1971, ACSM created this award to be presented for distinguished educational contributions to the surveying and mapping profession.

[Public Relations Project of the year](#)

[Map Plat Contest](#)

[Excellence in Journalism](#)



## BPELSG WORKSHOPS

The Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists has organized several workshops related to the preparing and filing of Records of Survey and Corner Records. Currently, there are three locations available, Burbank, San Diego, and Turlock. Please copy and paste the following URL address into your browser for further information and save this link for future workshops or in the event there are scheduling changes.

[https://www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about\\_us/meetings/index.shtml](https://www.bpelsg.ca.gov/about_us/meetings/index.shtml)

## NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS ANNOUNCES RESULTS OF 18th ANNUAL STUDENT COMPETITION

The National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) held its 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Student Competition, on April 11, 2019 as part of the 2019 NSPS Spring Meetings in Arlington, VA. The 2019 competition topic was "Utilizing remotely sensed data in a modern surveying practice". Each team completed a project, prepared a technical report & poster, and gave a formal presentation to a panel of judges. Thirteen schools with undergraduate degree programs in surveying, mapping or geomatics participated in this year's competition.

### Results:

#### **Baccalaureate Degree Division:**

**First Place:** *University of Akron, Akron, OH*



First Place – Baccalaureate Degree Division –  
University of Akron  
Cody Crum, Chase Sommers, Aubrey Tobin,  
Mikaela Mroczkowski, Ethan Straub, and  
Josh Stevens

**Second Place:** *Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, TX*

**Third Place:** *Kennesaw State University, Marietta, GA*

**Honorable Mentions:** (In alphabetical order)

*Alfred State University, Alfred, NY*

*Great Basin College, Elko, NV*

*Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID*

*New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM*

*New Jersey Institute of Technology, Newark, NJ*

*Oregon Institute of Technology, Klamath Falls, OR*



Second Place – Baccalaureate Degree  
Division – Texas A & M University  
Joanna Scott, Jos é Pilartes Congo, Jensen  
DeGrande, Payton Johnson, Danielle  
Mladenka and Kevin Michael

#### **Associate Degree Division:**

**First Place:** *Central New Mexico Community College,  
Albuquerque, NM*

**Second Place:** *East Los Angeles Community College,  
Monterey Park, CA*

**Third Place:** *Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green  
Bay, WI*

**Honorable Mention:** *Dunwoody College of Technology,  
Minneapolis, MN*

During an awards ceremony at the conclusion of the competition the first, second, and third place teams in each division were presented the recently-established *Trimble Prize* monetary award, along with the traditional NSPS first, second, and third place awards. Sam, LLC sponsored team shirts for all participants. Subsurface Instruments provided Locators for each participating team. Nettleman Land Consultants, Inc. provided its *FS Prep Combo* to winning team members in both divisions. Control Point Associates, Inc. sponsored breakfast and breaks for all competitors. NCEES provided video coverage of the event. Trimble and NCEES provided support for our Reception. NSPS sincerely thanks all of these sponsors for their generosity and support.



Third Place – Baccalaureate Degree Division –  
Kennesaw State University  
Nicholas Gianella, Justin Collum, Addie  
Thornton, Dustin Smith and Colin Bottoms

This year's competition was coordinated by **A. Richard Vannozzi, MS, PLS**, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering at the Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, MA. Any questions regarding the competition can be addressed to him via email at: [vannozzia@wit.edu](mailto:vannozzia@wit.edu). Schools wishing to receive information regarding the 2020 competition should contact Mr. Vannozzi at the above email address. When plans are finalized, the topic for the 2020 competition will be posted on the [NSPS website](#). It is anticipated that this information will be available on or before May 1, 2019 with detailed contest information, dates and venue information posted on or before August 15, 2019.

[SEE ALL WINNERS](#)

## NASA MAKES NEWS WITH SURVEY TECH

NASA scientists made the news recently with a technology that all land surveyors are intimately familiar with. NASA placed an experimental retroreflector array (survey prisms) aboard the ill fated Israeli Moon Lander in preparation for establishing a control network that could guide future moon landers to a safe and precise landing on the moon's surface. The photo of the array below should be instantly recognizable by land surveyors as a multi-prism array similar to many of the retro reflectors used on a daily basis by conventional land surveying crews. Apparently this is new technology on the moon, so heads up land surveyors, there may be a new career option for you soon!



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 17, 2019

Riverside/San Bernardino & Desert Chapters:

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