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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hope your Holidays were filled with good cheer and hope for the New Year. There are a couple of conferences coming up for consideration. On January 25th & 26th the Fresno State GME Conference. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#). This conference is put on by the students and always has a great program with good topics and of course, on Friday night they have the traditional Bull Dog Race and GME auction. My personal favorite for that night is handing out CLSA Foundation Scholarships. it is not uncommon for the Foundation to give over \$50,000 throughout the evening thanks to wonderful support from our surveying community.

The other conference you won't want to miss is our joint conference with NALS on March 23rd to the 26th at the Silver Legacy in Reno. Our traditional Bowling tournament will be on Saturday after the workshop which never requires expert bowlers to participate. The important thing is to have fun and fellowship. Monday evening there will be a live auction with Lightning Williams where the proceeds go to the Foundation to support scholarships.

If you are a victim of the fires then be sure to apply for the Western Federation of Professional Surveyors (WFPS) Scholarship and Relief Fund. This fund is set up to assist those in the land surveying community that have been affected by natural disasters. Remember you only need to be employed or associated with the profession. Also, please consider contributing to this fund. [CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION.](#)

Also, National Surveyors Week 2019 is March 17-23 so its time to begin requesting proclamations within your City and County. Don't forget to reach out to your Service Clubs, Chambers, Scout Groups, etc. Write articles in your local papers and newsletters.

What a year as your President! It was filled with ups and downs but overall, I enjoyed the ride. Thank you for allowing me to serve in this capacity. It was a privilege to give back to a wonderful profession that has given me so much. During this time I was able to meet many dedicated individuals while participating with other organizations at their functions. I have gained so much from the experience.

Before I conclude, I would be remiss for not thanking all those who served as Chairs and Liaisons who volunteered their time and efforts for this organization. If I started listing I know I will forget somebody but I have to give a huge shout out to John Tosto who was the point man for organizing a successful campaign to occupy benchmarks in California. To Kevin Hills and Bill Hofferber for heading up our participation at the California Schools Counselors Conference in Riverside -- this should pay huge dividends in the future and hopefully we will continue the effort. Also to Roger Hanlin who has begun the groundwork for the foundation of establishing e-Chapters.

I look forward in anticipation as Annette Hovorka becomes this year's President knowing that we will advance in a positive direction, doing what is best for our Membership, Association, and the Profession.

Ron Nelms
CLSA President 2018

BPELSG WORKSHOP

BPELSG is hosting workshops around the state to discuss Record of Surveys and Corner Record, submittal and review. The goal is to bring the submitting surveyor and the reviewing County surveyor closer together to produce a better map and process for the public.



The workshops will be for both the submitting surveyor's and the reviewers, we want to hear constructive ideas from all.

[CLICK FOR SURVEY](#)

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer for the second RS workshop. It will be on February 22 in Sacramento. It is free and no registration required.

This short survey will assist us in having a starting point for the workshops.

CALTRANS DISTRICT 9 (BISHOP) IS HIRING



Caltrans District 9 in Bishop, CA is looking for qualified persons to fill the positions listed below. Please follow the links listed for further information.

[Caltrans Transportation Surveyor](#)

[Caltrans Transportation Party Chief](#)

NSPS 2019 MAP PLAT DESIGN COMPETITION

State Surveying association affiliates of the National Society of Professional Surveyors, Inc. (NSPS) are invited to submit maps and plats to the 2019 competition. Entrants need not be members of NSPS, however a member of NSPS must sponsor the submission.



[ENTRY FORM HERE](#)



CHANNEL ISLANDS LS REVIEW COURSE

The Channel Islands Chapter of CLSA will be offering an LS Review Course. The course will be a fourteen week series from January 9 through April 10 in Simi Valley.

[CLICK FOR DETAILS & TO REGISTER](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 30

CLSA Webinar: Succeeding with Drone Surveying
11am - 12pm | Presenter: Trey Swann, Aerotas
Register for this webinar through the CLSA Store

MARCH 23-26

CLSA: CLSA/NALS 2019 Joint Conference
Location: Silver Legacy | 407 N Virginia St, Reno, NV 89501

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