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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



The Conference Committee has been busy planning for next March's joint conference with NALS in Reno. This will be a great collaborative event, and should help add to the Education Foundation's coffers.

Among highlights of these annual gatherings is the track for those studying for the LS exam. I first attended a joint conference in 1981, and was struck by the concentration of talent and experience throughout the sessions. Mind you, this was before Zoom, emails, and even FAXes. Up-to-date information at the time came in magazines, the (snail) mail, or by phone. The opportunity to join in the after hours discussions was invaluable.

And it still is. Plan on being there and sharing tips, tricks, and anecdotes.

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This?" winners were Luz Garcia, PLS, of San Luis Obispo and her co-workers at the Wallace Group, correctly identifying the San Luis Reservoir as seen from Highway 152

looking east towards the dam. Luz reported that her coworkers brainstorm the location together over lunch on the day the CLSA eNews is released. Also correctly identifying the location was Bill Tuck, PLS with the City of Oceanside. Both win a beverage at the next conference.



Try to identify the location of this month's photo. Submit your answer to: [Rob McMillan](#).



Now Accepting Nominations for CLSA's 2022 Annual Awards!
Deadline to enter is December 31, 2022



Remember to Nominate Your Colleagues and Chapter for the Annual CLSA Awards!

Award nominations/submittals are due **December 31, 2022**. The categories are: Dorothy Calegari Distinguished Service, Member of the Year, Chapter of the Year, Chapter Newsletter of the Year, Chapter Website of the Year and Photo of the Year.

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2023 CLSA MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL

Renew your CLSA membership in December of 2022 to waive

or bequests, of property, real or personal, tangible or intangible. Please add an item to future Chapter meeting agendas for CLSA Education Foundation discussions.



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Thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com or using the Amazon app with AmazonSmile turned ON, everyday purchases make an impact. So far, AmazonSmile has donated \$1,741.64 to the California Land Surveyors Association Education Foundation (CLSA EF). If you have not done so already, please set up your AmazonSmile and Designate the CLSA EF! This is an easy way to contribute to the Education Foundation at no cost to you.

Land Survey Exam Review by CLSA San Diego Chapter

2023 LS Exam Review (FREE*)

*The cost is FREE, but we please ask for any amount of donation. To sign-up and receive the virtual meeting link without a donation, please choose \$0.00 and proceed through checkout. The donated money goes directly into programs like this LS Review, local college survey courses and yearly education scholarships to surveying students.

In-Person participation is highly recommended. Hosted live at Caltrans District 11 in San Diego and also via virtual platform. Caltrans District Office: 4050 Taylor St, San Diego, CA 92110

Questions? Please e-mail CLSA-SD or call Michael Knaptan at (619) 847-3570

Schedule and Presenters are subject to change:

- 1/5/23 - 6:30-9pm - Legal Descriptions - Purvis
- 1/12 - 6:30-9pm - Public Lands / BPELSG - Adams
- 1/19 - 6:30-9pm - Public Lands PLSS - Adams
- 1/26 - 6:30-9pm - Public Lands PLSS - Adams
- 2/2 - 6:30-9pm - Public Lands PLSS - Adams

the entrance fee for new members and the reinstatement fee for lapsed members. New and lapsed members will receive free membership for the rest of 2022 with their payment of 2023 dues. Sign up before December 31, 2022 to receive this offer. [CLICK HERE](#) to join today.

Mark Your Calendars for the 62nd Annual Fresno State University Geomatics Conference!

The 62nd Annual Fresno State Geomatics Engineering Conference will be January 12th and 13th on the Fresno State campus at the Lynda and Stewart Resnick Student Union. Thursday will be an afternoon event and Friday will be a full-day event culminating in a special banquet.



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TRIG-STAR 2022

California places 3rd in the NSPS National Trig-Star Competition for the second year in a row! Medhansh Pattani, a recent graduate of Laguna Creek High School (Elk Grove), represented California at the National Competition, where he competed against representatives from 28 other States. Lauren Chen (West Virginia) and David Hernandez (Texas) placed 1st and 2nd respectively.



Pattani won the 2022 title of *California State Trig-Star*, beating over 200 students from nine high schools from throughout California. This year's event came down to time, where five high schools presented winners, all having a perfect score. Pattani's unprecedented time of 15 minutes 28 seconds beat 2nd place winner Sam Wilson (Bishop Union HS – Bishop) who had a remarkable time of 23 minutes 54 seconds. The State winner is chosen from the top winner of each participating school. Getting a perfect score on a Trig-Star test is no easy feat and each student achieving that score should be congratulated. They include:

- Julia Bellardo (San Luis Obispo HS – San Luis Obispo) 38 minutes 52 seconds
- Branden Gardea (Bishop Union HS – Bishop) 39 minutes 16 seconds
- Ethan Ho (Franklin HS – Elk Grove) 49 minutes 30 seconds
- David Deutsch (University HS – San Diego) 39 minutes 11 seconds
- Nico Waring (University HS – San Diego) 44 minutes 27 seconds

- 2/9 - 6:30-9pm - Boundary - TBD
- 2/16 - 6:30-9pm - Boundary - TBD
- 2/23 - 6:30-9pm - Boundary - TBD
- 3/2 - 6:30-9pm - Riparian - Kruger
- 3/9 - 6:30-9pm - Photogrammetry - TBD
- 3/16 - 6:30-9pm - California Coordinates - McMillan
- 3/23 - 6:30-9pm - GNSS/GPS/Geodesy - TBD
- 3/30 - 6:30-9pm - Construction - TBD
- 4/6 - 6:30-9pm - Review / Mock Exam - TBD

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Participating schools included: Bishop Union HS (Bishop), Florin HS (Sacramento), Laguna Creek HS (Elk Grove), Liberty Ranch HS (Galt), Mission Preparatory HS (San Luis Obispo), Paso Robles HS (Paso Robles), San Luis Obispo HS (San Luis Obispo), University City HS (San Diego).

Special thanks to the local sponsors who took the opportunity to reach out to their local schools to support the Trig-Star program and promote land surveying: Sereyna Cagle, Luz Garcia, Michael Hank, Russell Smith, and Paul Tonn.

If you or your local CLSA Chapter is interested in learning more about this program, please reach out to the CLSA Education Chair.

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Presenters: Dane Courville, PLS and Knud Hermansen, PLS, PE, Ph.D.

IN THE NEWS...

Congratulations Aundrea Tirapele: New Project Manager at Psomas in Roseville

Aundrea started her new position with Psomas in early December, 2022. She brings many years of experience to her new role, having previously worked at RBF Consulting, URS Corporation, and Guida Surveying in various capacities including Crew Manager, Project Manager, and Business Development. Her first exposure to surveying was working with her father, the late Gil Hayes, PLS 4700. Those who have been around CLSA since the early 2000s will remember Aundrea serving as our CLSA statewide Trig-Star Coordinator.



Congratulations Steve Martin and Anthony Leimeister for CSRC Recognition

The California Spatial Reference Center (CSRC) has recognized Steve Martin and Anthony Leimeister for their contributions to the GPS on BMs campaign. Both were nominated for recognition in November and presented with letters of appreciation at the CSRC meeting on December 1, 2022.

Help Shape the Future of Land Surveying by Educating Our Future Surveyors

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