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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear CLSA Members,

As we approach <u>National Surveyors Week</u> (March 19-26), I want to take a moment to reflect on the important role that surveyors play in our society. Our profession is responsible for measuring and mapping the world around us, from the buildings we work in to the roads we drive on. We are the guardians of property boundaries, ensuring that land ownership is properly established and maintained.

I also want to take this opportunity to recognize those members who have come before us and made CLSA the outstanding organization it is today. Their dedication and hard work have paved the way for us to continue advancing our profession and advocating for its importance in the broader community.

During this special week, let us celebrate our profession and the vital role that we play in shaping our world. Let us also remember those who have paved the way for us and continue to inspire us to uphold the highest standards of excellence in our work.

Thank you for your commitment to our profession and to CLSA, and please remember to attend our joint conference with the Nevada Association of Land Surveyors (NALS) March 25-28.

Kevin Hills, PLS President, CLSA



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CLSA members should use code 201950 in place of their member number to receive the member discount. Please be sure your 2023 membership dues have been paid prior to using that code.

Important information regarding this year's auction: The scholarship auction remains one of the highlights of the conference and all proceeds are used to benefit land surveying education. If you plan to donate items to the auction this year, please list them on <a href="mailto:this year">this spreadsheet</a> and email to <a href="mailto:kim@californiasurveyors.org">kim@californiasurveyors.org</a>.



The California High-Speed Rail Authority is soliciting Statements of Qualifications from qualified firms for Right-of-Way Engineering and Survey Support Services. Download the Requests for Qualifications from the California State Contracts Register webpage at www.caleprocure.ca.gov.

Statements of Qualifications are due on the date and time and at the location described in each respective Request for Qualifications. Questions may be submitted to CapitalProcurement@hsr.ca.gov.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

The 2023 SMA, PLS Act and Roster Books are now shipping!

- 2023 Complete Package with DVD
- 2023 PE Act and PLS Act with Board Rules
- 2023 Subdivision Map Act & Index

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# ARTICLE & PHOTO SUBMISSIONS FOR CALIFORNIA SURVEYOR MAGAZINE

Do you have a photo from your field work that would make a great magazine cover? Do you have an idea for an article or have you written an article that you'd like us to consider including in the next issue? Please send your submissions and ideas to CLSA Headquarters,

clsa@californiasurveyors.org.

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# **CLSA LOSES FRIENDS**

# **JOHN RICHARD DAWSON, LS 3547**

The Dawson family announces the passing of John R. Dawson, 87 of Riverside California on February 3, 2023. John spent over seven decades working in the public and private sectors within the Inland Empire. Those, who had the opportunity to know and work with him, knew of his love and professionalism



within surveying. John passed on his love of surveying to many members of his family who are in the profession today.

John was married over sixty years to his wife Janaan before her passing in 2017. He will be deeply missed by his brother Neil, children, Jim, Diane, Bob (PLS 6932), Steven (PLS 7754), Ron, his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and friends.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at Acheson & Graham Garden of Prayer Mortuary, 7944 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA 92504.

# **DANIEL RADMAN, PLS 3521**

Daniel Radman passed away peacefully with his loving wife Carol of 35 years by his side, after a long courageous battle with cancer. Dan was born September 26, 1928 in Sacramento to Zora and George Radmanovich. He is preceded in death by his sister Lee Harold and Brother In law Jim Harold. Survived by his wife Carol, Brother Richard (Carol, R.) Radmanavich. Sister In Lee



Richard (Carolyn) Radmanovich, Sister In Law Marie Mazza, Brother In Law Lee (Karen) Meier. Loved by many nieces and nephews and his Puppies Lillie and Bella.

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# 2023 National Surveyors Week



March 19-25 nsps.us.com Global Surveyors' Day March 21



This year, National Surveyors Week will be observed from March 19-25, 2023. Surveyors Week helps us recognize the surveying profession and we encourage your company and community to participate. Please visit the National Surveyors Week <a href="weepbage">weebpage</a> for details.

We are also happy to share information on Global Surveyors Day in conjunction with FIG (Fédération Internationale des

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# Help CLSA Education Foundation Fund Future Scholarship Awards!

The CLSA Education
Foundation is holding a
Saturday game night at the
CLSA-NALS Conference this
year at the TopGolf Swing Suite
facility within the Silver Legacy
complex. If you don't golf, other
activities are available including
Zombie Dodgeball, Hockey
Shots and Quarterback
Challenge. This CLSA
Education Foundation
fundraiser will help fund future
scholarships.
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# CLSA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

If you have not already renewed your CLSA membership, please do so now. And be sure to invite others to join our great organization. Your membership supports CLSA's efforts to protect, enhance and grow the land surveying profession. Members receive free monthly webinars, discounts to the annual conference and from our affinity partner organizations, as well as membership in the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) for representation and advocacy at the national level.

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Future Surveyors Foundation
2023 WOMEN SURVEYORS
SUMMIT

Oct 19-22, 2023 Stillwater, MN Géomètres) and CLGE (Comité de Liaison des Géomètres Européens) to honor a famous surveyor and their contributions to the profession. For more information on Global Surveyors Day, visit the website **HERE**.

## WHERE IN CA IS THIS?



The February "Where in CA is This?" had several winners, some of whom wish to remain anonymous. Steve Martin

chimed in with a correct answer based on local knowledge and Josiah Tiner, LsiT, from MBS Land Surveys in San Luis Obispo figured it out using Google Earth. Bill Tuck, City of Oceanside Land Surveyor and former photo identifier, provided this pair of photos from the end of Oceanside Pier, as well as the December photo from Mt. San Jacinto. To those who thought it might be Oceanside but did not see the once prominent smokestack from the SDG&E powerplant to the south in Carlsbad, much of the entire powerplant structure has been demolished.



Try to identify the location of this month's photo. Please tell me how you identified the location. Submit answers to: Rob McMillan.

# CALL FOR 2023 NCEES SURVEYING EDUCATION AWARD ENTRIES

The NCEES Surveying Education Award recognizes surveying/geomatics programs that have a broad and robust curriculum and best reflect NCEES' mission to advance licensure for surveyors in order to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the public. The award is intended to encourage programs to engage their students with other professionals, introduce them to both historical and new technology, and promote licensure.

At the discretion of the award jury, up to seven cash awards are presented each year. Use of the funds awarded is encouraged to be incorporated into the surveying/geomatics programs.

Grand prize: \$25,000 Up to three prizes: \$15,000 Up to three prizes: \$10,000

Competition schedule

Applications due May 1, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (EDT)

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# GPS on Benchmarks update for California March 2023

California is making progress on the goal of having a GPS observed benchmark in each 10km by 10km hexagon where benchmarks exist. As of this writing, we are at 42% complete on the 10km goals and 38% complete on the 2km goals. Caltrans



4th Women Land Surveyors Summit. The Women Surveyors Summit, hosted by Future Surveyors Foundation is held to support and promote diversity in the land surveying profession.

There are 8-10 PDH's available.

For sponsorship opportunities, please contact info@futuresurveyors.org.

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

California State University Fresno is seeking a full-time lecturer in the Geomatics Engineering program for the 2023 fall semester starting in August, 2023.

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# PHYSICS SCIENCE & MATH DAYS

April 28; May 5, 12, & 19, 2023

The Santa Clara/San Mateo Chapter of CLSA has organized interactive surveying presentations at Physics, District 2, District 11, and others have recently submitted several so those numbers are expected to rise by 1% or so when the GPSonBMs map updates.

In the monthly NGS OPUS Share email, California was the top submitter for February, with Caltrans submitting the most (see graphic).

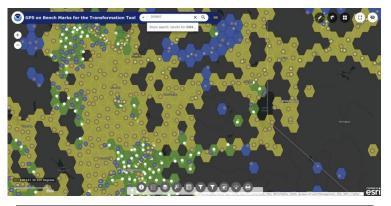




Thanks for your help in adding these new GPS data onto existing marks, maintaining local ties to the National Spatial Reference System.

There is about 6 months left in the GPSonBMs for the Transformation Tool program, so now is the time to complete those priority benchmarks in your City, County, District, or corner of the State.

During the February NGS webinar (featuring California's Philip Melcher, Steve Martin, and Dana Caccamise), NGS previewed a tool to identify large gaps in GPSonBMs coverage. One such gap was along I-80 from Sacramento to Reno (see yellow Priority A and blue Priority B hexagons in the graphic below). Dana Caccamise issued a challenge to surveyors to collect some GPSonBMs data on their way to the CLSA/NALS conference March 25-28. Note that many of these stations were included in Height Modernization surveys in the early 2000's and need only 1 more observation to complete the 10km hexagon.



# 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.

Science, and Math Days at California's
Great America in Santa Clara since at least 2014. We welcome all land surveyors, land survey technicians, and land surveying students to join

in our presentations.

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Caltrans District Office: 4050 Taylor St, San Diego, CA 92110

Questions? Please e-mail <u>CLSA-SD</u> or call Michael Knapton at (619) 847-3570

Schedule and Presenters are subject to change:

- 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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# IN THE NEWS...



Kier + Wright Hires Casey Lynch, PLS Leading Southern California Land Surveying Department Establishes New Escondido Office

Kier + Wright is excited to announce the opening of its new office in Escondido, California, spearheaded by Casey Lynch, PLS, who has joined the firm as Lead Land Surveyor and Associate. This solidifies the firm's surveying presence in the region by engaging a high-level surveyor intimately familiar with the Southern California market.

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# **CLSA attends NSPS Professional Organization Licensing Council (POLC)**

CLSA Liaison Rob McMillan attended the March 11th NCEES POLC meeting in Scottsdale, AZ. This is quite an honor to be included in the group as California and Michigan are the only state organizations represented, and along with NSPS and ASPRS bring added recognition of the importance of land surveying to engineering.



#### **NGS Seeks Geodesist**

This position is located in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Geodetic Survey (NGS) with one vacancy in Silver Spring, MD or Woodford, VA and one vacancy in Anchorage, AK. This position is also announced under vacancy number NOS ONGS-23-11818616-ST, which is open to Status Candidates. You must apply to both announcements if you want to be considered for both.

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# Sacramento City College to Resume Surveying Program

The Sacramento City College Surveying program which has been on hiatus since 2012 is expected to resume classes in September of 2023, thanks to efforts of the Engineering Design Technology Department Chair Kenneth Fitzpatrick and Dean of Math, Science and Engineering, Angelena Lambert. The previous class descriptions still exist in the Sac City Catalog. If you are interested in serving on the Sacramento City College Program Advisory Committee, as it explores ways to assist the school, please email John Wilusz, Adjunct Professor, Sacramento City College at <a href="mailto:john.wilusz@SCC">john.wilusz@Gmail</a>. Next it will be up to the employers in the Sacramento area to send their new staff to the Sac City Program and serve as Adjunct Faculty.



Reedley College to Offer Surveying Program in Fall of 2023

Another opportunity to share your knowledge with future surveyors. Reedley College is offering land surveying starting this fall. If you are interested in teaching and making a difference in our profession and creating a positive impact on students' lives please apply.



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# **Thank You CLSA Sustaining Members**

















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