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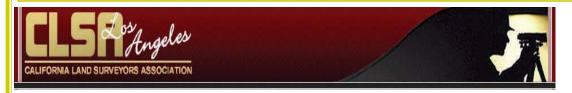


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Our Next Meeting:

April 5, 2012

Tony P's Dockside Grill



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The Los Angeles Chapter presents.....

Mr. Jim Lantry

City of Los Angeles

"Who should be responsible for the protection of real property rights? Public Surveyors? Private Surveyors? Agencies?"

Jim will be presenting the City of Los Angeles' efforts in protecting real property.

Jim has been employed with the City of Los Angeles since 1989. Currently, he is the Assistant Division Manager of the Survey Division of the Bureau of Engineering. He has also supervised the Final Map, Right of Way, and Monument Bond Sections of the Central Office and several District Offices.

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6:00 Registration/Social Hour

7:00 Dinner

7:30 Our Speaker, Mr. Jim Lantry

RSVP by 3pm April 4, 2012

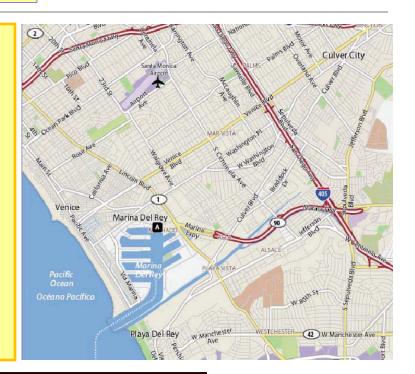
RSVP requires your name, telephone number, and dinner preference.

Contact Paula at (818) 362-8886 or membership@clsa-la.org

\$30 L.A. Chapter Member with reservation

\$40 Non- RSVP Members, guests, non-members

\$20 Students w/valid Student ID. Must show ID



Tony P's Dockside Grill

4445 Admiralty Way Marina del Rey, 90292 (310) 823-4534 33° 59' 08.28'' N 118° 27' 13.78'' W

Your sponsor for the April Dinner Meeting is.....



Home Office: 1600 Callens Road Ventura, CA 93003 (800)342-3607 M-F 7 am—5:30pm Branch Office: 540 S. Andreasen Dr.

Suite A, Escondido, 92029

(760) 747-8823

M-F 7 am—5:30 pm

Contact: Chad Dickey

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March's Raffle Winners

At the March dinner meeting, **John Ostly** and **Richard Snedaker** each won a \$50 gift certificate courtesy of Absolute Accuracy Inc. Thank you Robert and Kevin for you continued support of the Los Angeles Chapter and congratulations John and Richard!!!!



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And thank you to our March speaker.....

Thank you Mr. Gerrity for a very historical and informative presentation. And we will definitely think twice before we tell our client it's ok to move that 'encroaching' fence.

CLSA Member of the Year..... Jay Seymour!!!

Our very own Jay Seymour was named CLSA Member of the Year on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the CLSA/NALS Conference in Reno, Nevada.

Congratulations Jay!!!!!!!!.

Jay will be at the April 5 dinner meeting so stop on by to congratulate Jay and welcome him back after his brief illness.

Way to go Jay!!!

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Winner!! Winner!! The CLSA Los Angeles Chapter!

The Los Angeles Chapter has now racked up the County Engineers Association of California Surveyor of the Year Award and the California Land Surveyors Association Member of the Year Award. Let's see another Chapter beat that!!!!

Heeeeeeeeeerrrrrrrres.....Dan!

Lot Line Adjustment Workshop

Chapter renowned Dan May will be hosting a Lot Line Adjustment workshop Saturday, May 12, 2012, 8am to noon

Department of Public Works, 900 South Fremont, Alhambra, CA
Conference Room A

Cost: \$90 includes materials

7 am –8 am: Sign-in and payment – cash or check — no credit cards
Coffee and water along with donuts/muffins will be provided.

SPACE IS LIMITED!!! YOU MUST RSVP!!!

This workshop is limited to the first 90 registrants. No walk-ins will be accepted.

Please RSVP with Paula at (818) 362-8886 or membership@clsa-la.org

ACSM Radio Hour - Every Monday on www.americaswebradio.com



A note of appreciation from scholarship recipient Mr. Jonathan Luconi.

CLSA -Los Angeles Chapter

1125 E. Broadway #96

Glendale, CA 91205-1315

Dear Los Angeles CLSA members:

I am writing to thank you for your generous \$1,000 Los Angeles Chapter of CLSA scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative when I was called to receive your scholarship. My hometown is Torrance, Los Angeles and I am a graduate of Clovis West High School. I am currently a junior in the Geomatics Engineering program at California State University Fresno with a load of 19 units this semester, and I plan to graduate in the spring of 2013. My goal after graduation is to find a job with either the public or private sector. Thanks to you, I will be able to concentrate more time on my studies by lightening my financial burden.

Thank you again for your generosity and support. I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely

Jonathan Luconi

Jonathan Luconi

2940 E Brandon Ln

Fresno, CA, 93720

Your welcome Jonathan!! Best of luck at CSU, Fresno....the Los Angeles Chapter, CLSA

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2012 L.A. Chapter Membership: \$30 Corporate \$20 Associate or Affiliate \$10 Student

The Los Angeles Chapter wants you!!!

To date the Chapter membership stands at 91 including:

52 LS/RCE members

26 Associate members

8 Affiliates members

5 Student members

Membership is a bargain! Less than a tank of gas!!

Help support your profession, the Los Angeles Chapter, and the CLSA!

Join now!!!

Did you know you can listen to or download the 12 most recent ACSM Radio Shows at

http://www.radiosandysprings.com/showpages/ ACSM.php

Check it out!!



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Membership Application 2012

						company / Agency r School:							
Mailing A	Address:				-								
Personal	Phone #	Work Phone #:											
Personal	Email:	Business Email:											
	Email addresses are very important (we send announcements, newsletters, etc via email to reduce overhead costs to the chapter)												
Are you a member of the Statewide CLSA:													
If yes, w	hat type?	Corporate	Associate		Affiliate		Student		Sustai	ning		Life	
Membership in State Association is separate. I also understand and intend to comply with Article 7, Section 7.06 of the by-laws of CLSA, which states, "Membership in the Chapter is conditional upon membership in the State Corporation within on (1) year."													
LA Ch	apter Memb	ership:											
	Corporate Member Annual Dues:						LS/RCE#						
	Any person with	Any person with a valid PLS or (pre-82) RCE or Photogrammetry License \$30.00											
	Associate Member Annual Dues:						LSIT#						
	Any person who holds a valid certificate as a LSIT					\$20.00							
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	Student Annual Dues:					\$10.00							
	I am includin	cluding a donation for the Scholarship Fund:											
	TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED												
For Membership Information:						Bring completed application to meeting or mail with check payable to CLSA - LA Chapter:							
Contact Paula Lindhout, Membership Chairperson													
Or David Hobbs, Chapter President 2012						1125 E. Broadway #96							
						Glendale, CA 91205-1315							
By Phone: (818) 362-8886 Fax: (818) 362-8000								- ,	•				
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Call for Articles

Any articles or information pertaining to surveying in Los Angeles County are encouraged for publication in this newsletter. Please feel free to provide content you think may be useful to other Chapter members. For example: links to articles pertaining to interesting survey content, a correction or amplification to a previous newsletter article, or original content in the form of a letter to the editor, a comment, or an idea for community consideration.

Send this information to: membership@clsa-la.com by the 25th of the month prior to the next month's publication.

CLSA Auction Website

The CLSA Education Foundation now has an Auction Website. This website allows us to buy and sell equipment, books, and other items. 10% of the sales price of an item is deducted from the seller's proceeds and contributed to the Education Foundation. These funds help provide scholarships to land surveying students. Registration is free.

Visit the website at: http://auction.surveypath.org/index.php



The Scholarship Auction at the 2012 CLSA/NALS Conference raised \$45,000 for scholarships!!!

Do you know that CLSA has a Professional Development Program? Attending the monthly meetings is worth 1.5 hours per meeting toward your development.



The CLSA Professional Development Program (PDP) is a voluntary program intended to encourage and support the continued professional growth and competency of land surveyors and recognize their continuing education activities. This program also provides members a means to meet out-of-state licensure requirements.

Instructions: Click here for rules and information regarding the PDP.

Online Tracking: CLSA members may track their professional development online and print or export a report. <u>Click here to log on as a member</u>. Then, click "Manage PDH." You may print the report and email to <u>CLSA Central Office</u>

Paper Application: If you prefer to track your professional development offline, <u>click here to download program information and application</u>

Below is information regarding CLSA member benefits.

Please download the CLSA membership brochure for complete details about membership benefits and resources.

Click Here to download the membership brochure and learn more about CLSA membership

Click Here to Join Online

Click Here to Download Membership Application



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We are pleased to announce that CLSA has partnered with Vista International Insurance Brokers to provide members with affinity group premium discounts on professional liability as well as other business insurance needs. Vista International has specialized in association insurance programs for

MORE CLSA MEMBER BENEFITS

CLSA Annual Conference

Three days filled with educational workshops, technical sessions and exhibits. The Annual Conference is a great time to network and learn from other industry professionals.

CLSA Seminars

CLSA one-day seminars, held throughout the state, are designed to offer affordable, quality education.

California Surveyor

The voice of the California Surveyor, published quarterly.

CLSA Publications

All CLSA publications are available to members at a discounted price. Publications updated annually include, the Subdivision Map Act with Index, PLS Act, PE Act, Board Rules and PLS Roster.

Representation/Liaisons

CLSA has an active legislative program, legislative advocate, and a liaison with the State Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

Chapter Meetings

With 22 chapters statewide, chapter meetings are held monthly and

CLSA NEWS

Bi-monthly publication to keep you informed on legislative updates and current events.

CLSA Website

The CLSA website provides members with a wide range of resources, including discussion forums, referral services, legislative updates and extensive networking resources.

CLSA Education Foundation

CLSA Education Foundation provides educational assistance to students to ensure the future of our profession.

National & Regional Representation

To maintain your interests in the forefront of National concerns, CLSA is a member of ACSM and WFPS.

Business & Professional Services

CLSA provides a fully staffed central office which is available to answer questions or to provide up-to-date referrals concerning legislation, educational opportunities, job opportunities or other issues concerning membership.

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A Word from Buck Rogers.....

Knowing Where

I read an article the other day regarding the value of work done and the value of the knowledge behind it. As surveyors, we hold a very unique role in our society. The knowledge that we possess is specific. Our knowledge is sought in defining measurements needed in building and design, disputes, mapping projects, and so much more, from the finite to the broad spectrum conceptual ideas. The article contained a parable as follows:

LEGEND

Example: [Cerf, 1945]

Nikola Tesla visited Henry Ford at his factory, which was having some kind of difficulty. Ford asked Tesla if he could help identify the problem area. Tesla walked up to a wall of boilerplates and made a small X in chalk on one of the plates. Ford was thrilled, and told him to send an invoice. The bill arrived, for \$10,000. Ford asked for a breakdown. Tesla sent another invoice, indicating a \$1 charge for marking the wall with an X, and \$9,999 for knowing where to put it. (1)

We as surveyors are in the business of *knowing where*. The finite location that we are so often requested to present is not magic, and it's not Google maps or an app on your iPhone. There are many steps involved in the process, but in the end, hopefully, there is a *knowing where* and the ability to get it there. The price of the monument set on a landowner's corner is to the "x" in the story above and the knowledge of knowing where to put it is really what we are charging for.

I am proud to be a Surveyor. I respect those surveyors who have come before me, made good measurements, and prepared the groundwork for all of us to follow. I also respect my fellow surveyors who are out there doing the hard work in order to know where. Always seek to be diligent in the process of *knowing where*, and the next time your client asks for a breakdown of cost perhaps you can pass on the story above.

Happy hunting,

Robert "Buck" Rogers, PLS, CLSA L.A. Chapter Treasurer

(1)author unknown "Handyman's Invoice" – snopes.com http://www.snopes.com/business/genius/where.asp 19 Apr 2011, Web. 20 Mar 2012