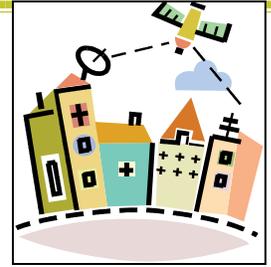


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Our Next Meeting: June 7, 2012 Taix Restuarant



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Corner Records & Records of Survey

Surveying in Los Angeles County

Steve has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Land Surveying from Michigan Technological University. Steven has been with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Work for 30 years. He is a Deputy County Surveyor and Assistant Deputy Director, and became Division Head of Survey Division in 2005, and, since 2009, Division Head of Survey / Mapping & Property Management Division.

In 2011, he was named County Engineers Association of California (CEAC) Surveyor of the Year. He Chairs the CEAC Survey Policy Committee and is the Legislative and Liaison Analyst for the League of California Surveying Organization. He is a member of the State and Los Angeles Chapter of the CLSA. He is the Chair for our Chapter Newsletter and is a Director on the Board of the State CLSA.

Please join us at Taix's Restaurant on June 7, 2012!!

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June 7, 2012

Dinner Meeting

6:00 Check-in / Social Hour

7:00 Dinner

7:30 Speaker

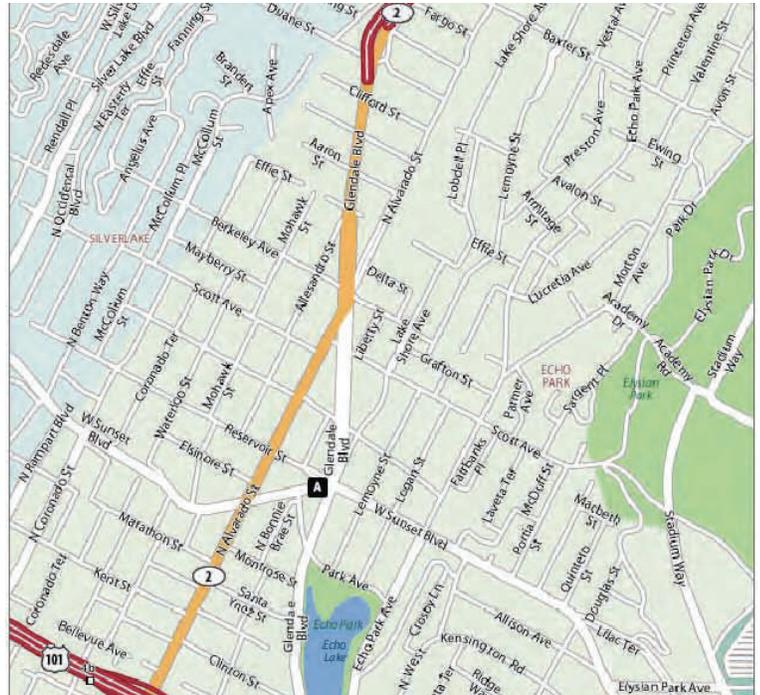
RSVP Paula Lindhout (818) 362-8886 or

Membership@clsa-la.org

\$30 L.A. Chapter Member with reservation

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

\$20 Students w/valid Student ID



Dinner choices:

- Pot Roast
- Filet of Sole Normandie

Taix French Restaurant
1911 W. Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, 90026
(213) 484-1265
T.G. 594 E7
34°04'41.11"N 118°15'38.39"W

RSVP by 6/7/12 3 p.m.

- Name
- Company Name
- Telephone #
- Dinner Preference

membership@clsa-la.org

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A Word from President-Elect Theresa Strazzella

May 31, 2012

How about membership in CLSA LA Chapter? You say - why? We have a committed group of individuals who are working within the Executive Committee to bring to you the best possible topics pertaining to our profession at our monthly meetings. You say – how? Let's see. What have you missed so far this year?

- January – you would have been introduced to the new officers of your Chapter
- February – we heard from Ray Carnes of ESRI. He spoke to us about GIS. Is GIS changing the Surveying Industry? Can GIS benefit Surveyors? Can GIS benefit Survey companies? He answered these questions and more.
- March – Did you know that you may own your land but still be a trespasser? Harry Gerrity explained that one.
- April – Jim Lantry from the City of Los Angeles Survey Division updated us on the progress of the City of Los Angeles' efforts with monument preservation. They have added monument preservation as an item to all private contracts. This is work for us! It is already in the law, already in the contracts, why not make it an item and see that it gets done? The Bureau of Contract Administration is on board. How is it working? Can this be used as a model for other municipalities and agencies? Guess what – our chapter has initiated a committee to alert municipalities and agencies across the county to the need for monument preservation and assist them to initiate their own method to monitor this growing problem. Be a part of the solution. Come help us.

Membership gives you reduced meeting and seminar costs, qualified PLS's are able to vote on policy changes and State membership provides you with the ability to obtain insurance and office supplier discounts to name a few benefits of membership. It is a great way to meet or reunite with professional peers. We solicit your help in keeping our Chapter alive and growing. We need you to become a member, volunteer your time, knowledge, expertise and any thing you wish to our growing Chapter. We welcome young and 'more mature'. The young surveyors learn from the more mature's vast experience and insight.

The 2012 membership form is on page 11. Please take the time to fill it out and mail it back with your membership dues today. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of the Executive Committee members or the Membership Chair. We are looking forward to your membership in our growing chapter.

Sincerely

Theresa Strazzella
President-Elect, Los Angeles Chapter



Local NGS Update

In May 2012, NGS has corrected the NAD83 State Plane Coordinates for the southern Channel Islands to be Zone 6, whereas they used to be NAD27 Zone 5. The islands impacted are: San Clemente, Santa Catalina, Santa Barbara, and San Nicholas.

If you have any questions or find mistakes, contact the NGS Geodetic Advisor
marti.kehara@noaa.gov.

Lot Line Adjustment / Certificate of Compliance Workshop A Success!!

Dan May held a very successful and educational workshop on May 12, 2012. Over forty professionals from various interests attended, including attendees from Ventura County and the Channel Island Chapter.

Thank you Dan !!

Certificates of Professional Development to be emailed soon. If you attended, please email membership@clsa-la.org to receive your Certificate of Professional Development.

Congratulations to 2012 CLSA Award Winners

Distinguished Service Award – Pat Tami

Member of the Year – Annette Lockhart & **Jay Seymour**

Photo of the Year – Doug Redlin

Chapter of the Year – Riverside/San Bernardino Chapter

Chapter Newsletter of the Year – Central Valley Chapter, Prism

Chapter Website of the Year – Sonoma County Chapter

2013 Slate of Candidates for State CLSA

Tom Taylor, President

Rolland VanDeValk, President-Elect

Jay Seymour, Secretary

Roger Hanlin, Treasurer



Monument Preservation in San Diego.....from Michael Pallamary

As many of you know, I have been battling with the City of San Diego for some time over their wanton and careless destruction of valuable survey monuments. They have essentially destroyed the cadastral network in many neighborhoods. From a surveyor's perspective, it is quite devastating and from a home owner's perspective, very, very costly. In many instances, property owners were required to pay a surveyor to set monuments in connection with a map filing. The city has now come in and destroyed these very same monuments. Now, the cost to replace or reset them is running into thousands and thousands of dollars.

In the Hillside Drive area discussed in this news story, I have inspected a large number of streets and maps. What has been happening is, other surveyors have come along and for one reason or another, they have opted to use other, secondary or tertiary control monuments instead of recovering the primary control monuments because they have been paved over or destroyed. I now have two disputes in this neighborhood and one is now in litigation and the other is very close, all because of confusion regarding the location of control monuments. Needless to say, it is going to get worse and expensive. I am doing the best I can to bring this problem to light. Mike Turko and I spent an hour and a half together and he has been working on this story for a week. He is going to do a follow up as he is just as upset as I am.

I am hoping other surveyors and property owners will join me in expressing their concerns about this problem. Turko and I talked about the monument preservation fund. I told him that for every one monument that is preserved using the fund, the city destroys another 100. He is going to do another story. This is a shame and under the law, it is also a crime and the city knows it.

I have contacted the mayor's office and the city attorney but they have no interest and are doing nothing. "San Diego - America's finest city."



Buried in the Pavement! To access the article, select Control + click on the link



Turko files.



CLSA WEBINARS

The following CLSA webinars have been scheduled:

June 13th

Digital Map Submittals

Speakers: Annette Lockhart, PLS & Landon Blake, PLS

September 12th

California Prevailing Wage Law, California Apprenticeship Standards and Federal Davis Bacon Wage Act

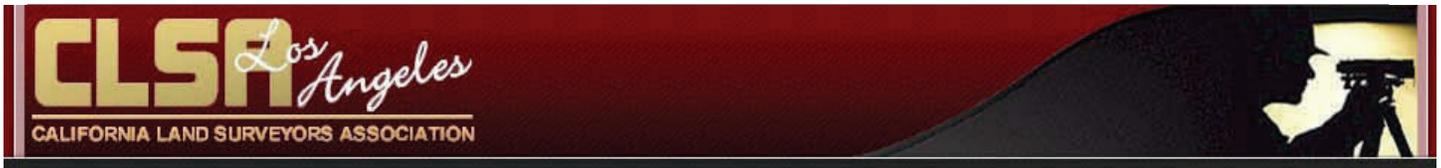
Speaker: Casey Lynch, PLS

[Click here to register for CLSA Webinars](#)

Cal Surveyor #169 now available.



<http://www.californiasurveyors.org/calsurveyor/CalSurv169.pdf>



Cal Surveyor Wins National Journalism Award (5th Year in a Row!)

The California Surveyor has won the NSPS National Excellence in Journalism Award for best State Society Magazine. This is the 5th year in a row that CLSA has received this award. Special thanks for the outstanding work of Editor John Wilusz and to all that contributed to the magazine!

ACSM Radio Hour to Feature CSU Fresno Student, John Tosto

ACSM Radio Hour, Monday June 4, 8 AM (Pacific Time)
Curt Sumner will host guest John Tosto, CSU Fresno Student

www.americaswebradio.com.

Curt Sumner will host guest John Tosto, a student in the California State University/Fresno *Geomatics Engineering Program*.

John will present a view of the surveying profession from one who is looking forward to a future in it.

Thanks to the CSU/Fresno Student Chapter, and President Claudia Barrueta, for helping to arrange for John's

You can listen to or download the 12 most recent shows which are archived at <http://www.radiosandysprings.com/showpages/ACSM.php>

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



UCR Extension in Riverside has scheduled the following weekend classes to be held for the final time in this format.

GPS Leveling

Course Number: ERT X440.5

Surveying precise ellipsoidal heights coupled with high-accuracy regional geoid models has made GPS-derived orthometric heights a viable alternative to traditional leveling methods for many applications. This course examines:

- Concepts and techniques involved in geoid modeling as well as establishing precise ellipsoidal heights
- Fundamental relationships between heights, practical representation, and use of regional and global geoid models
- Local geoid modeling by surface-fitting

Instructor:	Jaime Satalich
Schedule:	Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Jul. 14 & 15 (2 meetings)
Preregistration:	Requested by July 14th
Location:	University Extension Center - Room TBA, RIVERSIDE Map
Textbook:	No text required.
Credit:	1.5 units
Fees:	\$330



Control Surveys Using GPS

Course Number: ERT X440.4

Organizational design and observation planning needed to meet stringent control survey standards and specifications such as Federal Geodetic Control Subcommittee (FGCS) Standards, Specifications for Geodetic Control Networks and Geometric Accuracy Standards, and Specifications for Using GPS Relative Positioning Techniques. Learn the process of a control survey, including:

- Planning
- Reconnoitering
- Performing field measurements
- Processing data
- Interpreting the final results

Instructor:	Arthur Andrew	
Schedule:	Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sept. 8 & 9 (2 meetings)	
Preregistration:	Requested by September 8th	
Location:	University Extension Center - Room TBA, RIVERSIDE Map	
Credit:	1.5 units	
Fees:	\$395	

For more information or to enroll click [here](#).

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

*Got membership ? Become a member !
 We need all of you who call Los Angeles
 County your home to become members.
 PLS and pre - 82 CE's are needed now for
 Qualifying for State Board of Director
 counts by July. We need you to be both
 State and Chapter members so you can
 count toward our qualifying numbers.
 Los Angeles Chapter is the largest chapter
 in the State. In 2012, we qualified for 6 of
 our members to represent us at the State
 Board of Director's Meeting each Quarter.
 Currently we have a potential of 6 members
 to represent us in 2013 and are close to 7 !!
 Become a member now and let's see how
 many we can qualify for !
 Does that mean we only want PLS and
 pre - 82 CE's? NO!
 We need all of you who call surveying your
 profession to become members and to
 become involved in the Chapter!*

To date, the Chapter membership stands at 150
 102 Corporate
 32 Associates
 10 Affiliate



Membership Application 2012

Name: _____ Company / Agency
or School: _____

Mailing 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: Yes No

If yes, what type? Corporate Associate Affiliate Student Sustaining 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,

LA Chapter Membership:

- Corporate Member** ... Annual Dues: _____ LS / RCE # _____
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

- Affiliate Member** ... Annual Dues: _____ \$20.00

- Student** ... Annual Dues: _____ \$10.00

- I am including a donation for the Scholarship Fund: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

<p style="text-align: center;">For Membership Information:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Contact Paula Lindhout, Membership Chairperson Or Theresa Strazzella, President-Elect 2012</p> <p style="text-align: center;">By Phone: (818) 362-8886 Fax: (818) 362-8000 By Email: clsa-la-membership@danielsonsurveying.com Or membership@clsa-la.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bring completed application to meeting or mail with check payable to CLSA - LA Chapter:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1125 E. Broadway #96 Glendale, CA 91205-1315</p>
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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: info@danielsonsurveying.com by the 20th 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>



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. [Click here to log on as a member.](#) Then, click "Manage PDH." You may print the report and email to [CLSA Central Office](#)

Paper Application: If you prefer to track your professional development offline, [click here to download program information and application](#)

Below is information regarding CLSA member benefits.

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

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[Click Here to Join Online](#)

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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 over 20 years and is well known for their quality of service. [Click Here for more information.](#)

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 feature guest speakers and informative programs.

[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.