

Invitation for membership

Ozark Chapter MSPS annual dues are as Follows:

Member \$20.00 Student Member \$5.00

Associate Member \$5.00

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OZARK CHAPTER - MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS

The **November** meeting will be held the SECOND Tuesday, **November 14th**, @ 6:00 P.M. at the Western Sizzlin Steak House, 1700 East Kearney, Springfield, MO.

OCTOBER MEETING ATTENDANCE:

Jack Dill	Ref Bagley	Stephen Nelson	Gaylon Smith
Gary Bockman	Peter Stevens	Kevin Lambeth	Connie Todd

Go on-line at missourisurveyor.org and click on the Ozark Chapter link for our newsletter and more!

Our condolences to Jeff Daake regarding the death of his wife, Sharon. If there is something we can do for you as a group or individuals, don't hesitate to ask.

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes from the October meeting accepted.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion regarding a video in conjunction with Hillcrest High Schools media class. The intent is to have the media students make a documentary/news segment about our profession. However, the teacher has not contacted Jack Dill about the details of producing it. The cost is about \$200 per student that works on the project. The money is for a trip at the end of the school year for the class to attend a conference.

Discussion of fewer students in the survey courses being offered at MSU. There are very few students taking the courses and possibly only one student in Gary Bockman's Survey Computations course in the Spring semester. The program may be in serious jeopardy in the future if recruiting of new professionals is not addressed. Also discussed: not allowing waiver of math courses prior to taking the survey courses. Students appear to have poor math skills and have difficulty passing the NCEE exams. Perhaps we, as a profession, are not preparing them adequately?

Discussion of Design tickets vs. Excavation tickets when locating utilities for surveys. It still seems to be difficult to get utilities marked if it's for a survey.

The new base station receiver at Sunvilla Towers on the MSU campus is operating but is not yet logging data or transmitting a correction. Problems getting the software on the logging computer to communicate with the receiver are hampering efforts to get it working. The Trimble NetRs receiver will

eventually have VRS capability, in which surveyors will be able to use a cell phone to dial into an IP address and get RTK corrections. This should cover most of Greene County. Other entities such as City Utilities and MODOT may get other base stations going in the future which could give a dramatic increase in range and accuracy of RTK operations.

Future seminars were discussed. Writing and interpreting property descriptions and interpreting Highway Plans.

Stephen Nelson has signed us up for the mailing list for a booth at Farm Fest next year. We will probably need something to give away at a booth (if we ever get one). Stephen said that one thing that went over really big was a stick with a little leather loop that goes through a hole and had beads. We could use grade stakes with cool writing on them "C-0.25" or "Sta 12+22.3 P.C." and tie 60d nails with flagging on them. I already want one.

Nominations for 2007 officers are:

Director: Gaylon Smith, City Utilities

Secretary/Treasurer: Andy Powell, Anderson Engineering

Gary Bockman has been elected to the State MSPS.

Applications for scholarships will be distributed to Gary Bockman and Jack Dill's class in the Spring Semester.

Gaylon Smith reported that Mike flowers was granted funds for scanning of all microfiche notes, indexing and subsequent surveys. It will take some time and be on CD format. Updates will be available for a fee.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Christmas Party will be at Hemingways, in the Bass Pro Shop at 6:30 on December 12th. Thanks to Connie Todd for researching a wide variety of places. You can pick a nice gift for your spouse while you're there. The Chapter President would like a new boat or ATV or GPS receiver (you can never have too much GPS).

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

4/06/2006

Previous balance	Deposits	Disbursed	Current balance
\$5286.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5286.81