

OZARK CHAPTER MSPS NEWSLETTER

June 8, 2009

The next meeting is June 9, 2009 at 6 p.m. at Western Sizzlin on East Kearney.

Griner and Schmitz to give scanner/robotic total station demo at JUNE 9 meeting

Jack Dill, PLS

At the upcoming meeting on Tuesday night, Terrance Gammill with Griner and Schmitz will demonstrate a new robotic total station that has scanning and imaging capability. Stephen Nelson is hoping to collect some data in the field on Tuesday and give us a chance to see its real world results. Mathews and Associates (thanks Chris Strong and everyone who folded, stapled, and mailed) sent out a flyer on the demonstration. Several were returned due to bad addresses so hopefully this newsletter will reach those people. If you've read Professional Surveyor lately, you've seen articles depicting things like coal and ore stockpiles being "shot" with these instruments. Application has been made for 1 PDU, but that's just frosting on the cake to see an instrument like this.

No Booth at Farm Fest this year

We decided at the last regular meeting to discontinue our booth at Farm Fest. We could use some ideas on getting out there in the world and raising awareness of the profession. I think some folks are working on Trig Star and perhaps the Scouts. Hey! Come to a meeting and find out what happens next! At least we don't have to come up with something cool to give away now.

You can still volunteer to help out at the MSPS booth at the State Fair. Contact:

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PLS MO, RLS AZ, CFedS
Engineering Surveys & Services
1775 W. Main St.
Sedalia, MO 65301
660 826 8618 (voice)
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Dick Cox is in the hospital

Dick has been very sick for a few weeks now. He had been at St. Johns, having some heart problems and has now been moved to Select Specialty Hospital Specialized Acute Care.

Mail and Flowers:

Richard Cox, PLS
Room 101
Select Specialty Hospital of Springfield
1630 E. Primrose
Springfield, MO 65804

Dick is in our thoughts and prayers.

July 14th Barbecue at the Tech House:

It was unclear during the last meeting if the annual bar-b-que would be at the Tech House but Chris Strong has made arrangements for it happen there again this year. John Sayre will be there to talk about Surveying/Civil software.

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ATTENDANCE

Jack Dill, Shane Machin, Gary Bockman, Kevin Tyler, Christopher Strong, Paul Taylor, Loyd Todd, Connie Todd, Dwight Smith

I. Call to order

Kevin Tyler called to order the regular meeting of the **Ozark Chapter MSPS** at **6 pm** on 5/12 at Western Sizzlin.

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

No minutes from previous meeting.

III. Old Business

The annual Bar-B-Que will be held in July, it was unclear if the Tech House would be available due to many employees moving to other facilities and our contacts at City Utilities may be moved.

Chris Strong reported on the cost of items to be given away at Farm Fest. General discussion ensued about our booth and the consensus was that we might give up our booth due to lack of people to operate it.

Chris Wickern of Sedalia is still looking for volunteers to man the State Fair booth for MSPS. The dates are August 13 through 16 and 20 through 23.

Paul Taylor reports that MODOT is generating RTCM 3.1 corrections for GPS and it works great. Alltel data lines work for receiving corrections. It has been tested in various areas and works just fine.

IV. New business

Gary Bockman reports that NSPS would like to have State chapters require members to join NSPS.

Nominations for state MSPS officers need to be made to Don Martin (Department of Conservation).

The Minnesota State Board has shut down a company (the Locator Company) which purported to find property corners for people.

The Surveying Handbook is being considered as a digital product.

Pete Stevens would like to have input on spiral curves. Also, he would like to do a seminar on how different surveyors approach a survey, using actual surveys as examples.

Jeff Lucas will be a speaker at the State Annual meeting this year. Again, there was no jubilation at this news.

Adjournment

Kevin Tyler adjourned the meeting.

Invitation for membership

Ozark Chapter MSPS annual dues are as Follows:
Member \$20.00 Student Member \$5.00
Associate Member \$5.00
Sustaining Member \$30.00

Education Committee:

*Peter Stevens - Chairman
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Web Page Committee:

Steve Nelson, Gaylon Smith, Dick Cox

Please remit registration and fees to:

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