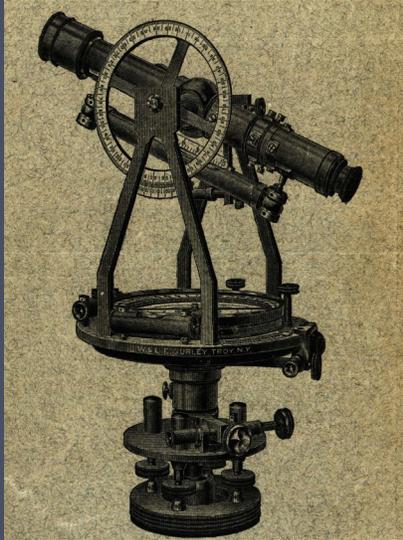


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CHAPTER MEETING

Thursday

April 10, 2025 5:30PM

Holidays Pub & Grill

3950 N Richmond Street

Appleton, WI

Cheryl Berken and Sara Frisque from the Brown County Register of Deeds office will be presenting on the new Laredo Anywhere program.

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2025 MEETINGS, SCHEDULE & LOCATION

Winter General Meeting

Rock Gardens in Green Bay

January 16, 2025 5:15 pm Social 5:45 pm Dinner/Mtg

Winter Board Meeting

Drift Inn in De Pere

February 20, 2025

5:30 pm Social 6:00 pm Dinner/Mtg

Spring General Meeting

Holidays Pub & Grill in Appleton

April 10, 2025

5:30 pm Social 6:15 pm Dinner/Mtg

Spring Board Meeting

Out O’Town Club in Kaukauna

May 15, 2025

5:30 pm Social 6:00 pm Dinner/Mtg

Summer Golf/Trap Outing

Wander Springs in Greenleaf & Triple J in Brillion

Area golf course/trap shoot

July 17, 2025

4:45 pm Social 5:30 pm Dinner/Mtg

Summer Board Meeting

Lakeshore Area

August 21, 2025

6:00 pm Social 6:45 pm Dinner/Mtg

Fall General Meeting

Van Abels in Holland

October 16, 2025

5:30 pm Social 6:00 pm Dinner/Mtg

Fall Board Meeting

Nicky’s Lionhead in De Pere

November 13, 2025

5:30 pm Social 6:00 pm Dinner/Mtg

Winter General Meeting

Rock Gardens in Green Bay

January 15, 2026 5:15 pm Social 5:45 pm Dinner/Mtg

2025 Chapter Representatives

President - Conner Christopherson cchristopherson@coleman-engineering.com

President Elect - Mark Kamin mark.kamin@nwtc.edu

Director - Robert Clark Robert.clarkiii3@gmail.com

Past President - James Cappearth jamesc@jt-engineering

Secretary\Treasurer - Tom Leslie tom.leslie@browncountywi.gov

NE Chapter Representative - Jake Jensen jensenj@ayresassociates.com

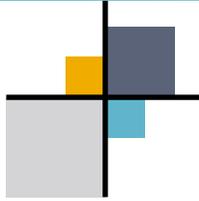
Assist. Secretary\Treasurer— Brad Nelson bdnelson77@hotmail.com

We will be doing a 50/50 drawing
with all proceeds going towards the
Joe Lett Scholarship at
Michigan Tech!



2025 OFFICERS:

- Ryan Duckart
WSLS President
- Richard (Dick) Kleinmann
NSPS Director



Northeast Chapter Members,

I hope everyone is having a good spring and staying safe with the start of our busy season. Thank you for electing me to this position, I will stive to live up to the standards set by the previous presidents. The Northeast Chapter has been very generous to me, and it is time to give back. This is the first time I can remember that we didn't have to hunt people down to sign up for committees. We will need help this year more than ever with "A Day in the Life" at the National Railroad Museum doubling the number of days we have volunteered in years past.

A little bit about me, I grew up in East Troy, a small town in Southeastern Wisconsin and always had a love for the outdoors. This led me to attend college at the University of Wisconsin of Stevens Point for a degree in Wildlife Ecology and Soil Science. After graduation, I went up to Door County for a summer and decided I just didn't want to leave. I worked in my family's retail store and then for a small plumbing outfit. Being the most junior member and no joke smallest, I was constantly dragging myself through tiny crawl spaces and doing the dirty jobs that no one wants to do. It was time for a change, and this is how surveying found me. An opportunity arose, I immediately signed up to attend NWTC and didn't turn back. I am a PLS for TNT Professional Land Surveyors where I work with a great group of guys where I learn, teach and grow as a surveyor every day. I currently live in Appleton with my wife Nikki and our 8-month-old son Charlie. We have made roots here and plan to stay in Northeast Wisconsin.

To the students, I encourage you to get involved, learn and benefit from the wealth of knowledge this chapter provides. Ask questions, learn from your mistakes and be professional. You will get back what you put in.

Take Care,

Connor E. Christopherson, PLS - 3216

2025 Northeast Chapter President

~ GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ~

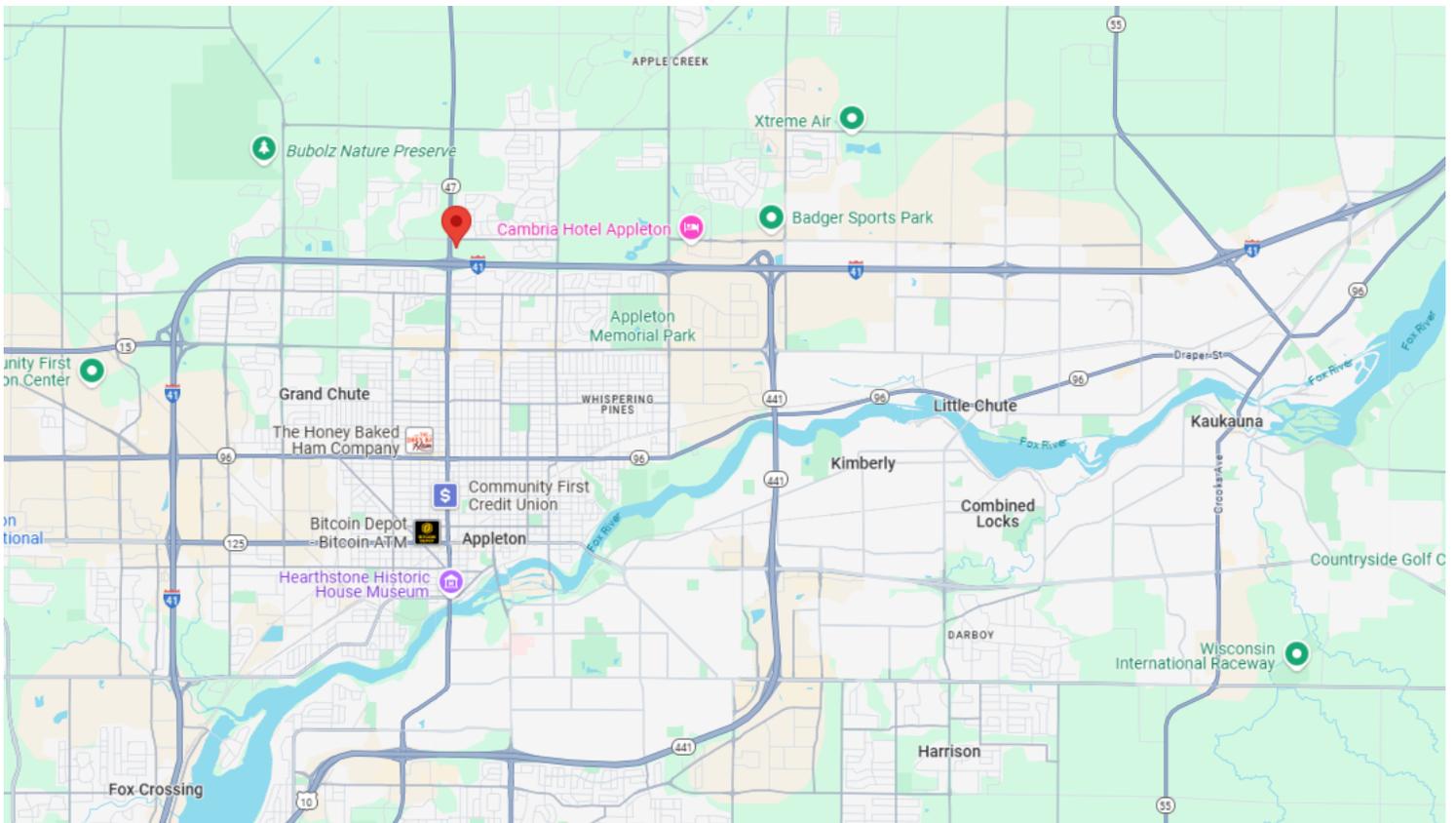
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Attitude adjustment is at 5:30 pm and Dinner is at 6:15 pm. Dinner will cost \$25.00.

If you plan on attending the meeting please RSVP so we can get an accurate count for the meal.

Tom Leslie Secretary\Treasurer (920) 448-4495 tom.leslie@browncountywi.gov

Connor Christopherson (920) 421-1233 cchristopherson@tntsurveyors.com



Holidays Pub & Grill
3950 N. Richmond Street
Appleton, WI 54913



Northeast Chapter OF THE Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors



General Meeting Agenda

04/10/2025 | 6:15pm | Meeting Location: Holidays Pub & Grill
3950 N. Richmond St, Appleton, WI 54913

President	Connor Christopherson
President Elect	Mark Kamin
Past President	James Cappeart
Director	Robert Clark
Secretary/Treasurer	Tom Leslie / Brad Nelson (Asst)
NE Chapter Rep	Jake Jensen

AGENDA TOPICS

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER	
ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA	
APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE WINTER 2025 GENERAL MEETING	
APPROVE THE TREASURER’S REPORT	Tom Leslie
WLSL REPORT	Jake Jensen
YOUNG SURVEYORS NETWORK	Zach Holshuer
SEILER GEOSPATIAL / WLSL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP	

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Auditing Committee	Terry Van Hout
Business:	
CST Committee	Howard Herrild
Business:	
Ethics and Practices Committee	Andy Cleveland
Business:	
Land Records Committee	Tom Leslie
Business:	
Legislative Committee	Howard Herrild
Business:	
Membership Committee	Ryan Klarner
Business:	
Nominating Committee	James Cappeart
Business:	
Program Committee	Andy Cleveland
Business:	

Public Relations Committee

Ryan Beltrand

Business:

Scholarship Committee

Jim Sehloff

Business:

Seminar Committee

Tom Leslie

Business:

Student Chapter Committee

Jon Keepers

Business:

Trig-Star Committee

Ryan Duckart

Business:

OLD BUSINESS

- Learn to Survey by Compass & Chain, May 9th, Reforestation Camp, Suamico (6 seats available)
- Jim Sehloff- Certified Floodplain Surveyors Certification experience
- Summer meeting for 2026 held in the NE Chapter: Sub Committee Update

NEW BUSINESS

- Lifetime and Honorary Lifetime Award
- YSN Camping
- Day in the Life Railroad Museum: May 6 - 8 & May 13 - 15
- Meat Raffle: Benefiting Joe Lett Scholarship

Any other new business?

Adjourn

2025 NORTHEAST CHAPTER OF WSLs MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____ Registration Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Place of Work: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Work Email: _____ Personal Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

MEMBERSHIP DUES

- () **Professional Member** \$40.00 Any person currently registered as a Professional Land Surveyor in the State of Wisconsin
- () **Affiliate Member** \$20.00 Any person not registered, who is interested in land surveying
- () **Lifetime Member** No dues Any person having reached the age of 65, retired from practice, having been a member for two years prior to the date of retirement, having been recommended by a member and application approved by the Board of Directors
- () **Student Member** \$20.00 Any person currently enrolled in a surveying curriculum (Membership will be from start of program to January following graduation)
- () **Sustaining Member**
 - \$80.00 _____ Any commercial or professional institution or individuals interested or affiliated with the surveying profession
Membership includes a display of their business card in Quarterly newsletter and on website
 - \$120.00 _____ Membership includes a **full** page ad, display of their business card in quarterly newsletter and on the website

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "THE NORTHEAST CHAPTER OF WSLs"

Return application and dues to: Tom Leslie 1951 Andraya Lane De Pere, WI 54115

The Northeast Chapter of the Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors

2025 Sponsor A Student Meal Program

Sponsorships are for a free meal at any of the 4 Quarterly Northeast Chapter General Meetings. Any student or person interested in the profession is eligible. If you have someone that would like to participate, please bring him or her along to the next meeting.

Thank you to all who participated in the past 18+ years, it has been a HUGE success!

We are again asking for your support in sponsoring student meals in 2025 and beyond. Your donation will encourage students (and potential employees) to take an interest in the surveying industry and perhaps Chapter involvement.

-- Please fill out form below as you would like to be acknowledged for your free meal donation --

Date: _____

Name: _____

Company: _____

Phone Number: (H) _____ (W) _____ (Fax) _____

Email: _____

Sponsorship Fee: \$25.00 per meal

- I/We would like to sponsor _____ student meals (meals x \$25.00)... \$ _____

Make checks payable to: The Northeast Chapter of WSLS

**Return to: Tom Leslie - Secretary/Treasurer
1951 Andraya Lane De Pere, WI 54115**



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2025 PAID MEMBERSHIP
As of April 10, 2025

PROFESSIONAL	55
AFFILIATE	28
STUDENT	19
SUSTAINING	3
LIFETIME	<u>30</u>
TOTAL	135



Northeast Chapter of WSLS

2025 WINTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 20, 2025 – Drift Inn in De Pere, WI

There were 13 members present when President Christopherson called the meeting to order at 5:41 pm

A motion was **made, seconded, and approved** to accept the Board meeting minutes from November 20, 2024

Treasurer's Report was accepted as given at this meeting

The following reports were given: (*email)

WSLS REPORT (Jake Jensen)

- Institute had 1,103 paid attendees

YOUNG SURVEYORS (Zachary Holshuer)

- Zach is VP of Wisconsin YSN – congrats!
- Zach will attend the student competition in DC this March. He will also be the first YSN from Chapter to attend the “Day on the Hill” event. A report will be provided at the next Chapter meeting

AUDITING (Terry Van Hout)*

- No report at this time

CST (Howard Herrild)

- Mark Kamin will proctor the next CST exam at NWTC on March 13, 2025

ETHICS AND PRACTICE (Andy Cleveland)

- No report at this time

LAND RECORDS (Tom Leslie)

- Gave brief update to ACT 235 (Judicial Privacy Law). It goes into effect on April 1, 2025

LEGISLATIVE (Howard Herrild)

- Nothing happening at this time

MEMBERSHIP (Ryan Klarner)*

- Membership count: 130
- New Lifetime member nomination (See “New Business”)

NOMINATING (James Cappeart)

- No report at this time – start up in Fall

PROGRAM (Andy Cleveland)

- Nothing lined up yet for Spring General meeting
- As always, any ideas? Contact Andy!

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Ryan Beltrand)*

- “Day in the Life” at the National Railroad Museum is coming up in April/May – no dates given yet
- It will be expanded to more days as the need/want is there from the schools
- Discussed getting students more involved in presenting at DITL and also revamping some of the things we do – a group meeting before DITL starts would be a great idea to get everyone on the same page since there are changes being made

SCHOLARSHIP (Jim Schloff)*

- Nothing to report – starting up later in the year

SEMINAR (Tom Leslie)

- Seminar is all set. Les Van Horn joined in the discussion to go over a few things. Right now, 13 people have signed up (32 total spots available). Sent out invite to Chapter Members first, and then the flyer will go out to WSLS members in the next WPS in March. If not enough interest, Tom L will try to get our regular Spring Seminar going

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE (Jon Keepers)

- Jon will mention DITL and volunteering from students at their next Civil Club meeting

TRIG*STAR (Ryan Duckart)*

- See Ryan's report attached to end of minutes

OLD BUSINESS

- No Old Business to discuss

NEW BUSINESS

- Tom Giese was nominated and approved as a Chapter Lifetime Member (at next meeting?)
- Honorary Lifetime Member was approved for James Hebert (Dave H at next meeting?)
- The next Chapter raffle in April will donate all the funds to Joe Lett's alma mater scholarship
- Howard discussed a new offering from WSLS – it will be a calendar w/ prizes given out over the year. They plan on 100 tickets at \$100 each.
- **A motion was made, seconded and approved** to donate \$300 sponsorship of prizes for the calendar – use for whatever prizes they want/need. Maybe sponsor a day on the calendar?

Being no further business, a *motion was made, seconded, and approved* to adjourn at 7:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Leslie
Secretary
Winter 2025 Board Meeting





Trig-Star Committee – Ryan Duckart

February 20, 2025, Board Meeting

Trig-Star

In the next couple of weeks, I will be reaching out to the schools that I have worked with in the past to see if they would like to do an outdoor presentation or a classroom presentation this year. I also plan to reach out to some potential sponsors to see if they can check with the schools that they have mentioned in the past might be interested. I checked with Ryan Beltrand about doing Trig-Star at Manitowoc Lincoln High School since he did a career fair there and he seemed open to the idea.

I am in the process of setting up a Teams virtual meeting with sponsors across the state to go over the exam and materials. The deadline to submit results to NSPS is May 1st so I am asking that sponsors send their local results to me by April 29th so that I have a couple of days to get the state results together to send to NSPS by the deadline.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ryan Duckart – Trig-Star Chair



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2024 AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Auditing Committee met on January 13, 2025 to review the financial records of the Northeast Chapter of the Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors for the year of 2024.

We have examined the receipts, banks statements, ledger and other pertinent records. The Auditing Committee reports that the financial records appear to be in good order, and submit the following:

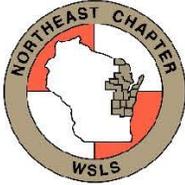
Beginning Checkbook balance as of 01-01-2024		\$12,910.76
<u>Total Deposits</u>		
Dues and Miscellaneous Receipts	\$12,129.20	
Sub Total Receipt	\$12,129.20	\$25,039.96
Checks Returned (20)	\$12,592.89	
Total Checks Written (20) (No checks outstanding)	\$12,592.89	
Service and Redeposit Charges	\$0.00	
Withdrawal	\$0.00	
Total Expenditure	\$12,592.89	\$12,592.89
Checkbook Balance as of 12-31-2024		\$12,447.07
Cash on Hand 1-1-2024	\$9.83	
Expenditures \$0.00	\$0.00	
On 12-31-2024	\$9.83	\$9.83
Certificate of Deposit (mature on 5-11-2025)		\$2,404.82
Total Chapter Assets		\$14,861.72

Respectfully submitted:


Terry L. Van Hout – Chair


Thomas H. Giese


Larry J. Miller



Northeast Chapter of WSLs

2025 WINTER GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2025 – Rock Gardens in Green Bay, WI

The 2025 Winter General Meeting was held on January 16, 2025 at Rock Gardens in Green Bay, WI. There were 45 members present, including 1 student, when President James Cappert called the General Meeting to order at 6:52 pm

No Presentation for this meeting

Andy Cleveland gave a brief presentation on the duties of each Chapter committee

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the General Meeting minutes of October 10, 2024 as presented in latest Chapter newsletter

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report (revised how & where accounts were shown) as presented at tonight's meeting

The following reports were given (*email)

WSLS Report (Jake Jensen)

- The Board discussed raising annual dues as well as Institute fees in 2026
- Bryan Meyer has presented/taught at the WLTA at their Title Examiner course for many years. He asks if anyone would like to step up and replace him going forward. Chapter reps will bring this to the chapters
- Ron Jacobsen has been appointed to the TMAC Board
- Mick Heberlein (WDOT) will nominate the Spring Green Monument for National Registry
- Josh Prentice was thanked for his 10 years of service to the Board
- Lots of budget discussion at this meeting
- Only 135 votes were cast in this year's election

Young Surveyor Network (Zach Holshuer)

- YSN needs a NE Chapter representative for the WSLs Board – Zach Holshuer has been nominated
- Prep session for License exam will be held at this year's Institute
- NSPS has welcomed a YSN rep to sit on the Board, now including PDH hours for attending the meetings

Auditing Committee (Terry Van Hout)

- 2024 Auditing report is included in the latest newsletter – everything looks good (whew!)

- State Level committee looking for new members

CST Committee (Howard Herrild)

- There were 7 total exams given in 2024 with 4 proctors helping with the exam
- NWTC will again offer an exam – no date set yet
- There are 69 active CSTs in Wisconsin in 2024
- Sign up for Institute exam by this coming Tuesday - \$50 to take the test

Ethics and Practices (Andy Cleveland)

- No report at this time

Land Records (Tom Leslie)

- AB 966, now Act 235 (Judicial Officer Privacy Law) will begin on April 1, 2025. Pay attention to any updates/learning sessions/papers on this as they come out – it will affect you in some way!
- Proposed ROD fee increase is still out there and will be back soon. Realtors are the main problem

Legislative (Howard Herrild)

- Basically are doing nothing right now

Membership (Ryan Klamer)

- 154 paid members at the end of 2024, up from 153 at the end of 2023 (0.6% increase ±)

Nominating Committee (James Cappert)

- Robert Clark has agreed to become 2025 Chapter Director - the newest Board member in 2025
CONGRATULATIONS!

Program Committee (Andy Cleveland)

- There was really good feedback on Andy's quick Committee duties (He told me to type this 😊)
- As always, please let Andy know of any topic or person you'd like to hear at one of our meeting presentations

Public Relations (Ryan Beltrand)

- There are many events coming up that will need volunteers to help present (school job fairs, engineering events, classroom visits). PLEASE consider helping if you can – thank you!

- With more schools wanting to attend, “Day in the Life” will be expanded, with dates of May 6-8 and May 13-15. A Volunteer call will go out once closer to the dates. Students will be asked to become more involved
- Seymour and Manitowoc events will be coming up soon as well. Watch your email for opportunities!

Scholarship Committee (Jim Sehloff)

- 2025 Chapter Scholarships have been decided and were awarded by Mark Kamin to the following:



Garrett Smith
Don Rhode Leadership Scholarship

(No picture – could not make meeting)

Carson Dekker
*Northeast Chapter Scholarship
(In Honor of Joseph Lett Jr.)*

Seminar Committee (Tom Leslie)

- Special seminar is set (solar compass and/or links & chains exercise), with Les & Lisa ready to go – flyer will be sent to Chapter members first, then it will go out to WSLs members with the next newsletter
- Reforestation Camp is the venue and set for May 9, 2025 from 9am to 5pm – lunch will be provided
- Depending on numbers, our normal Spring seminar may be held – will wait until WSLs announcement has been out for a week or two before making decision

Student Representative (Jon Keepers)

- Students are just getting back to school so attendance tonight is low – hopefully more will attend in April

Trig-Star (Ryan Duckart)

- Luxemburg/Caso contact has retired so hopefully the new person will continue participating
- Everything will be starting up in a month or two
- Please consider volunteering and helping out Ryan D will help. His plate is full with becoming the 2025 WSLs President - please consider volunteering!

Old Business

- No Old Business to discuss

New Business

- Zach Holshuer, John Sleik and Joshua TenDolle have all passed the licensure and are now PLS – CONGRATS!
- James C discussed the 2024 Chapter Annual Report
- Appears there will be many moderators from NE Chapter helping at the Institute this year – Way to step up!!
- Look around this room – there are 8 WSLs Past Presidents in attendance – now that’s impressive!
- There will be 42 baskets for WSLs basket raffle this year
- Lisa V discussed a local court case revolving around restrictive covenants and a fence. Click on links:

<https://cases.justia.com/federal/district-courts/wisconsin/wiedce/1:2021cv00945/95933/37/0.pdf?ts=1651655011>

Backyard battle: Fence dispute sparks \$200K lawsuit, forcing neighbors to pay up

- Raffle for two framed surveyor themed pictures (donated by Tom Giese). Winners below:



Terry Van Hout & Andy Cleveland

- A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept all officer nominations as presented.

The 2025 Northeast Chapter Board is:

- President – Connor Christopherson**
- Past President – James Cappert**
- President Elect – Mark Kamin**
- Director – Robert Clark**
- Chapter Rep – Jake Jensen**
- Secretary/Treasurer – Tom Leslie**
- Asst. Secretary/Treasurer – Brad Nelson**

CONGRATULATIONS!



**Passing of the gavel from James Cappeart to
2025 President Connor Christopherson**



**Connor Christopherson presents the Past President Award
to 2024 President James Cappeart**

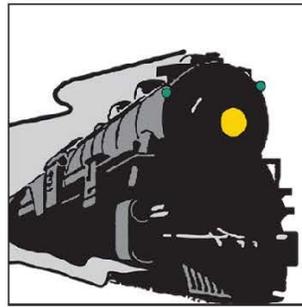


Being no further business, *a motion was made, seconded, and approved* to adjourn at 7:46 pm.

Respectively Submitted,
Thomas Leslie
Chapter Secretary/Treasurer

A DAY IN THE LIFE

May 6-8 and May 13-15, 2025



**National
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Museum®**

Looking for Volunteers to help teach young children (grades 3-8) about surveying & how surveyors help shape America. There are a few changes to the program to ensure everyone gets a chance to participate in our exercises

Please consider volunteering your time for any of the dates. There are two shifts per day, 8:15-11:30am and 11:30-2:30pm, with three (3) people per shift.

*****Shifts & times may change depending on # of students*****

Lunch is provided by the Museum

Please contact Ryan Beltrand @ 498-1200 or
beltrandr@ayresassociates.com

if interested in volunteering for any shift(s)
or click following link to sign up

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1VtOaOFSS615IHTbm-MPBsFnc3zz7YJScupqkc2oJOPs/edit?usp=sharing>

MAP/PLAT CONTEST WINNERS 2024

Categories:

1. Subdivision Plats

- 1st Troy Hewitt,
Robert E Lee & Associates
- 1st Andrew Cleveland,
Mach IV Engineering and Surveying
- 2nd Sasha Schallert,
MSA Professional Services
- 3rd Jill Tackmier,
Ayres Associates

1a. Certified Survey Maps

- 1st Andrew Cleveland,
Mach IV Engineering and Surveying
- 2nd Sam Kotke,
QUEST Civil Engineers, LLC
- 3rd Scott Hewitt,
Grothman & Associates

2. Boundary/Cadastral Maps

- 1st Tiffany Heisel,
raSmith (Appleton)
- 2nd Randall Oettinger,
Vierbicher
- 3rd David Earl,
R. H. Batterman & Co., Inc.

3. Topographic Maps

- 1st Scott Hewitt,
Grothman & Associates
- 2nd Steven Bieda,
Vierbicher
- 3rd Eric Strum,
raSmith (Brookfield)

4. ALTA/NSPS Surveys

- 1st Jim Sehloff,
TNT Professional Land Surveyors
- 2nd Scott Hewitt,
Grothman & Associates
- 2nd Bryan Pfeffer,
Robert E Lee & Associates
- 3rd Dave Earl,
R. H. Batterman & Co., Inc

5. Miscellaneous Maps

- 1st Dale Hewitt,
La Crosse County
- 2nd Jeanette Harley,
Harley Surveying LLC
- 3rd Troy Hewitt,
Robert E Lee & Associates

5a. USPLSS Monument Records

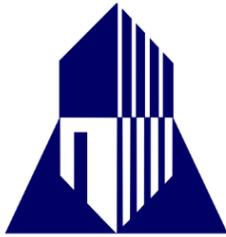
- 1st Tiffany Heisel,
raSmith (Appleton)
- 2nd Brian Gross,
Oconto County
- 3rd Dale Raisleger,
Brown County Planning and Land
Services

5b. Transportation Project Plats

- 1st Kolby Schertz,
QUEST Civil Engineers, LLC
- 2nd Shane Zodrow
raSmith (Brookfield)
- 3rd David Yurk,
raSmith (Appleton)

5c. Condominium Plats

- 1st Steven Bieda,
Vierbicher
- 2nd Troy Hewitt,
Robert E Lee & Associates
- 3rd Jeremy Skaw,
Real Land Surveying



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2025 TREASURER’S REPORT
April 10, 2025

Checking Account

Starting Balance 1-1-25 12,447.07

Deposits

2-3-25 Winter General Meeting/Dues 2,045.00
+ 2,045.00

Checks

Brown County Parks (Les Seminar)	3039	516.95	
Appleton Trophy (Past Prez plq)	3040	79.13	
VOID (wrong scholarship winners)	3041/42	0.00	
Scholarship (Dekker)	3043	750.00	
Scholarship (Smith)	3044	750.00	
Newsletter Editor dues	3045	400.00	
Secretary/Treasurer dues	3046	600.00	
WSLS Foundation (donation)	3047	1,000.00	
<u>WSLS Foundation (Buckys)</u>	<u>3049</u>	<u>300.00</u>	
<i>(3048 not used yet)</i>			-4,396.08

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*Spring 2025 General Meeting
Tom Leslie
Northeast Chapter Treasurer*

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2025 N.S.P.S. Spring Business Meeting and Student Competition Report

Zachary Holshuer – Vice President, Young Surveyors Network (YSN) Chapter of W.S.L.S.

To whom it may concern,

This past week I attended the NSPS Spring Business Meeting as a member of both the W.S.L.S. Northeast Chapter (where I serve as the NE Chapter's Representative to the state's YSN as well as other committees), and as a member of the W.S.L.S. where I recently joined the Education & CST Committee, and serve as the Vice President of the YSN of W.S.L.S.

I departed for Washington D.C. Monday morning and arrived midday where we traveled North to Silver Spring and checked in to our hotel (shared between myself and Devin Bailey). That evening I attended a briefing for both Day on the Hill (DOTH) and the 2025 Student Competition. The next morning I attended DOTH with Dick Kleinmann (*WSLS Director*), Ryan Duckart (*WSLS President*), Bob Welch and Stemena (*both from The Welch Group*). We met with staffers of 4 U.S. Representatives from Wisconsin (Fitzgerald, Grothman, Weid, and Pocan) and a staffer for Senator Tammy Baldwin. We dropped off a copy of our material with Senator Ron Johnson's office in preparation of our virtual meeting the following week.

During our meetings with Members of Congress we discussed the importance of maintaining professional licensure for Land Surveyors nationwide (as well as Civil Engineers and Architects), the TAP Program (which assists veterans transition into civilian land surveying), and monument replacement legislation (in times of natural disasters). We did not get a full commitment from any of the members we met with (difficult in just meeting with their staffers, and the tumultuous times in which they're in), but all meetings went really well and we fielded great questions from them; it was a great team effort from all 5 of us within the Wisconsin Delegation meetings. After our meetings, we briefly stopped by the Student Competition on the National Mall to visit and witness goings-on.

The following day I participated in the last day of the Student Competition. I was assigned to the "Traverse" activity (one of 5 field exercises the students complete) which is commonly known as the "chain and compass activity" led by Les and Lisa Van Horn. We were situated between the Washington Monument and the WWII Memorial / Reflecting Pool Area. Being able to observe and assist these students in using this vintage equipment in such a location was an irreplaceable experience. The evenings activities centered around a party at Dave & Busters that was put on by some of YSN Leadership (Nolan and Denver). This was an awesome networking opportunity where I met many other young surveyors from across the country; learning about different laws, how ordinances work in their states, divergent practices / state requirements, etc.

Thursday we attended "NGS Day", which was a 3-4 hour seminar on the 2022 Datum Reference Frames and how their rollout was currently looking, and what we could anticipate in the future. There were speakers from NOAA (*including NGS officials and a NOAA Corps pilot*), as well as N.S.P.S. and YSN members. This was followed by the award ceremony which was also very gratifying in seeing these teams that tried so hard get rewarded for their efforts. After this there was a Young Surveyors Network

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meeting where we met to discuss future events, as well as swear in new officers. This, much like the Dave & Buster's event, was an excellent networking opportunity to continuing to meet young surveyors.

On Friday I briefly attended the NSPS Board of Director's Meeting and witnessed goings-on within the leadership of NSPS. This was awesome to see how things are done at the national-level. After that, the YSN was invited to attend an in-depth tour of NOAA by some leadership personnel. We were given a very cool presentation on their "projection sphere" and learned about MANY different things.

After that we made our way down South towards Washington D.C. where we would spend our last night at the Hilton Garden Inn; just a 2000' walk from the White House where I used the opportunity to see things I would not otherwise be able to see. I first went to the National Archives where I saw the Constitution, Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights. It was also incredible to see the paintings on the ceilings depicting the different events; pictures don't do full justice. After this I was able to secure tickets to visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. This was by-far one of the most moving experiences of my life and I cannot wait to get back there to see all the things I missed in my 2-hour stay. At night I walked the reflecting pool and stopped by the Lincoln Memorial; listening to / watching the "I Have a Dream" speech and "The Gettysburg Address" in spoken form respectively. I finished the night by visiting the Vietnam Memorial where I got night-time pictures. All incredibly moving.

On Saturday I revisited the Vietnam Memorial, which was a much, *much* more stirring experience in the daytime, where I was able to fully feel what it means and represents. After spending some time here, I moved along The Tidal Basin where I visited the Jefferson Memorial. Paying tribute to one of our founding land surveyors of this nation was so very cool and meaningful to me. All structures and sights I witnessed with our Nation's Capital gave me deeper respect and admiration for the foundations on which our great country is built upon I could take back home with me to Wisconsin.

Thank you very much for your time in reading this summary of my experiences during this event, and I appreciate the opportunity to spread the great word and bravado of our incredible Wisconsin Society on a national stage / level. Please see just a few of the pictures taken during the trip.

Sincerely,



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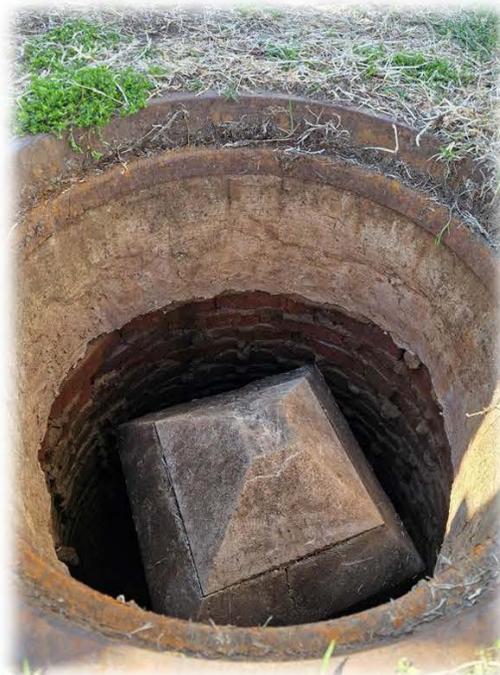
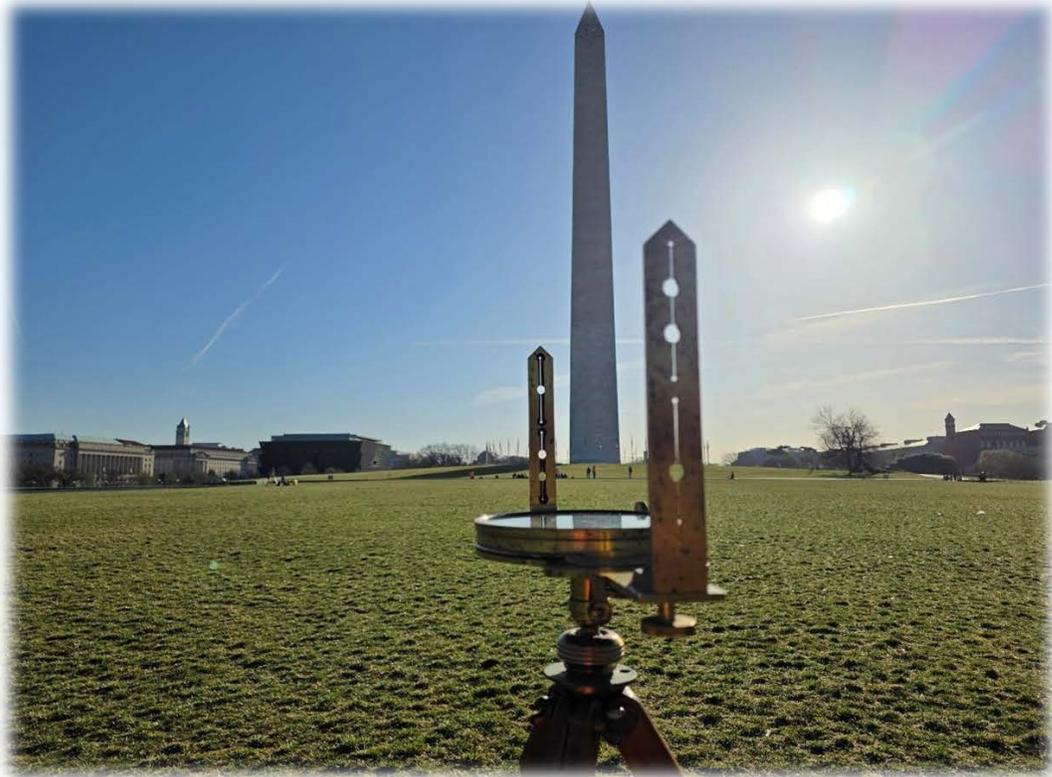
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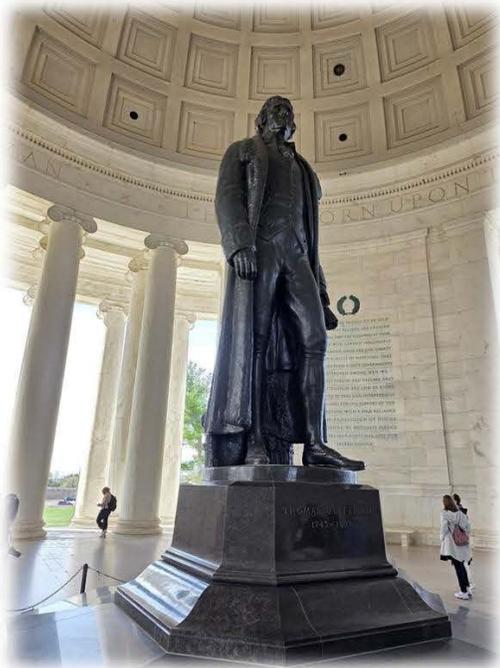
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next year at the Annual Institute, January 21-23, 2026!

If you want your photo featured in the Wisconsin Professional Surveyor in 2026, be on the
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James Alfred Hebert

1941 - 2025

James Alfred Hebert, age 83, passed away on February 19, 2025. Jim was born on December 10, 1941 in Illinois to the late Alfred and Dorothy (Benoit) Hebert. After graduation from high school, he attended Marquette University pursuing a degree in civil engineering. He worked as a Land Surveyor, starting his own business, Outagamie Land Surveying in 1976. The business Jim started is now Hebert Associates, Inc. Jim was united in marriage to Donna Svazich on July 28, 1962, in Joliet. Jim and Donna met each other while attending Marquette University, Milwaukee at a St. Patrick's Day dance. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Rotary Club. He enjoyed many outdoor activities, including biking, hunting and fishing.

Jim is survived by 4 children: Denise DeHart, David Hebert, Dan (Liz) Hebert, and Rich Hebert; 18 grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Donna, grandson Jacob Mata and a daughter-in-law, Deanna Hebert.

Jim was President of the Northeast Chapter of Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors. He was also President of the Wisconsin County Surveyors Association

Congratulations to this year's champions:

Central Sticks!

2nd place went to the **WisDOTS!**

3rd, but certainly not least, were the **BSers!**



Winner of "Best Dressed"

were the **Plumb Bobs** with a fantastic tribute to the many "Bobs" of the world.

A great time was had by all! Thanks to everyone that participated!

We look forward to next year!

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