

Northeast Chapter of the
Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors

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Northeast Chapter Meeting
Thursday January 8th, 2009
Ravine Pub & Grill, Green Bay, WI



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**2008 TENTATIVE MEETING
SCHEDULE & LOCATION**

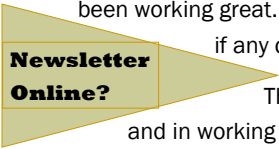
- January 10th, 2008
Regular meeting - Green Bay
The Woods
- February 13th, 2008
Board of Directors - Kaukauna
Out-O-Town Club
- April 10th, 2008
Regular meeting - Kewaunee
CJ's Banquet Hall
- May 8th, 2008
Board of Directors - Dyckesville
- June 26, 2008
Regular meeting - Greenleaf
Wander Springs
- August 14th, 2008
Board of Directors - Green Bay
1951
- October 9th, 2008
Regular meeting - Appleton
Michael's Fox Banquets
- November 13h, 2008
Board of Directors - Green Bay
Mackinaw's Grill
- January 8th, 2009
Regular meeting - Green Bay - Ravine

Chapter newsletter online update.....

the electronic version of the newsletter has been working great. Please let me know if any questions arise. The Website is up and in working order. Currently we have 80% of our members receiving the newsletter by e-mail . If you would like to sign up for the electronic newsletter email me at jme-neau@mach-iv.com

Visit us at - www.wsls-nec.org

Jeff Meneau - Newsletter Editor



Don't forget the WSLs 60th Annual Institute is Coming up January 21-23 At the KI Convention Center in Green Bay.

To register online go to www.uwsp.edu/conted

2008 WSLs OFFICERS:

- John Baudhuin - (Northeast Chapter Rep.)
- Lisa Van Horn - (Past President)
- Jim Wallen - (President Elect)

2008 Chapter Representatives

President - Gary Zahringer - 920-731-0381
 President Elect - Jim Westerman 920-662-9641
 Director - Dale Raisleger—920-662-2173
 Past President - Bob Reider - 920-731-4168
 Secretary\Treasurer - Tom Leslie - 920-448-4495
 Newsletter Editor - Jeff Meneau

<u>Auditing</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Student Chapter</u>
Ch: Dale Raisleger (662-2173) Tom Giese Mike Kaczmarzyk	Ch: Terry Vanhout (406-1477) Rob Harris Rob Clark	Ch: Jesse Delveaux Kelly Grzeskowiak <u>Trig Star</u> Ch: Tom Wood (733-8377) Jim Westerman Terry Van Hout Joe Lett
<u>Ethics & Practices</u>	<u>Public Relations</u>	<u>CST Committee</u>
Ch: Tom Leslie (448-4495) Dale Raisleger Tom Giese Larry Blatchford Jeff Meneau	Ch: Dan Hoel (731-0381) Mike Kaczmarzyk Lisa Van Horn	Ch: Jim Westerman (662-9641) Brad Nelson Bradley Doperalski
<u>Land Records</u>	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>2008 Summer WSLs Host Committee</u>
Ch: Patrick Ford (448-4493) Scott De Baker	Ch: Tom Wood (733-8377) Dale Raisleger Tom Leslie Larry Blatchford	Ch: Steve Bieda (434-9670) Jim Schloff Terry Van Hout Joe Lett Bob Reider Gary Zahringer Tom Leslie
<u>Legislative</u>	<u>Membership</u>	
Ch: Ed Harvey (459-3826)	Ch: Jim Sehloff (991-1866) Tom Leslie Gary Zahringer	
<u>Nominating</u>		
Ch: Bob Reider (731-4168)	Ch: Jim Sehloff (991-1866) Tom Leslie Gary Zahringer	
<u>Photographer</u>		
Tom Leslie (448-4495)	Kelly Grzeskowiak	

2009

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Return To:

Tom Leslie
166 Apple Tree Court
Green Bay, WI 54302

Name: _____ Registration Number _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number (work) _____ (Home) _____

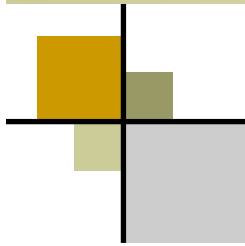
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Signature: _____ Date _____

Membership Dues:

- Professional Member:** Any person currently registered as a Land Surveyor
 \$40.00 in the State of Wisconsin.
- Affiliate Member:** Any person not registered, who is interested in Land Surveying.
 \$20.00
- Life Member** Any person having reached the age of 65, retired
 No dues 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** Any person currently enrolled in a surveying curriculum.
 \$10.00
- Sustaining Member** Any commercial or professional institution or individuals interested or affiliated with the surveying profession.
 - \$80.00 _____ Membership includes a display of their business card in Quarterly newsletter.
 - \$120.00 _____ Membership includes a full page ad and display of their business card in quarterly newsletter.

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

Dear Fellow Members,

I would like to take the time to wish all of you a Happy New Year and hope that the upcoming year will keep us a little busier than last year.

The Annual Institute this year will be held Jan. 21, 22 & 23 at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. There are some excellent seminars scheduled again for this year. I don't know how the Institute Committee does it but the program keeps getting better and better every year. I hope you can find the time to attend.

Our Chapter will again have a team entered in Bucky's Challenge which will be held on Wednesday the 21st. They will be giving away prizes for the best dressed team (which we won last year) and also team mascot. If you have any good ideas for us let me know. They are also looking for more teams, so if you can muster 3 to 8 people you can enter your own team.

The Chapter seminar we hosted this past March went well. Gary Wickert spoke on Adverse Possession and Lisa Petersen from Chicago Title spoke on Title Insurance. There were 77 people in attendance for the seminar.

The Board discussed having another this year and felt it was a good idea. It will probably be held again in March. More details will be forthcoming.

Farm Technology Days were held this year in our area in July at the Gerrits Farm in Wayside.

The Northeast Chapter had volunteered to stake out the tent city. There were 15 Chapter members and 6 or 7 GPS units there to set all of the stakes. The Farm Tech days were scheduled for July 13th 14th and 15th but some bad weather and heavy rains cut the program short. Thanks to everyone who donated their time or equipment for this project, it was greatly appreciated.

The WSLs summer meeting was hosted by our Chapter this year in August. It was held at the Landmark Resort in beautiful Door County. There were plenty of things to do. We offered golf, trap shooting, bicycling, trolley tours, seminars and some friendly surveying games. This was all topped off by a great fish boil dinner. Once again I think we raise the bar for the other Chapters in the State. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a great success.

I can't believe this year is coming to an end, it really went fast. I would like to thank the Northeast Chapter for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President. I would also like to thank all of the committee chairs and their committees for all of the hard work they have done to make this past year a success.

There will be a Committee sign up sheet at our annual meeting on January 8th in Green Bay.

Please volunteer for some of these committees, it is definitely worth your time and effort.

I hope to see you at the meeting.

Very truly yours

Gary Zahringer

Chapter President

The Thursday, October 9th 2008 meeting of the Northeast Chapter of the Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors:

Ravine Pub & Grill

2633 Manitowoc Road

Green Bay, WI

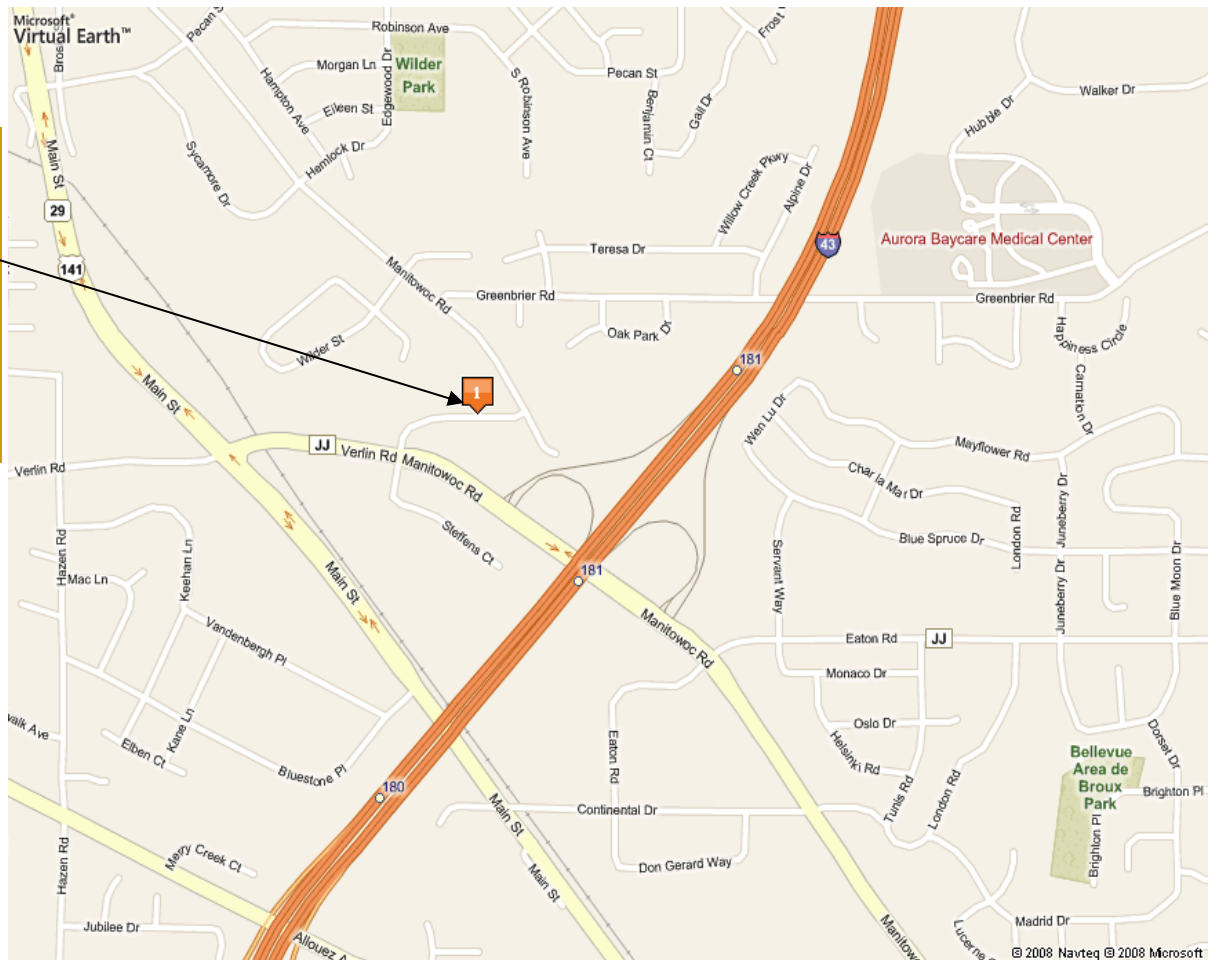
Attitude adjustment is at 6:00 pm and Dinner is at 6:45 pm Dinner will cost \$15.00

One paid member in attendance will receive a FREE MEAL compliments of Jim Winkler of Valley Surveying Instruments.

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 or Gary Zahringer - President- 920-731-0381

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**2008 FALL
General Membership Meeting
Northeast Chapter of WSLs**

The 2008 Fall General Meeting was held on October 9, 2008 at Michaels Fox Banquets in Appleton, WI. There were 51 members present, including 1 guest, when Steve Bieda introduced:

Guest Speaker

Todd Elliott – Johnson Insurance

“Flood Insurance – What is it really?”

Todd discussed the definition of a “flood” and what conditions must be met to be one. He also discussed what is NOT a flood, such as the backup of a sewer.

He explained what the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) does and does not cover, along with related Replacement Costs and Actual Cash Value coverage.

“Community”, as associated with the NFIP, was discussed, including required Statutory Authorizations.

Todd also reminded members of how all this relates to the surveyor (floodplains, FEMA maps, elevation certificates)

“20-, 100-, 500-year floods” occurrences were examined as to what that really means. It was noted that a 500-year storm occurred in June 2008 in Wisconsin

Todd then talked of recent lawsuits involving surveyors in South Carolina and Maryland, and also went through several typical policy exclusions a surveyor should watch out for, most notably the performance of services not customary of a surveyor.

He concluded the presentation with a talk on the recent economy and how it relates to all of us. He spoke of Credit Default Swaps, bridge loans, the re-insurance market and risk taking. He also noted that AM Best changed the 2008 YE P&C Industry forecast from 98.6 to 103.2, with 100 being the most you could get (you do the math)

President Gary Zahringer thanked Todd for a refreshing and up-front talk on insurance.

He then called the general meeting to order at 8:50 pm.

A motion was *made, seconded and approved* to accept the General Meeting minutes of June 26, 2008.

A motion was *made, seconded and approved* to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented in the October 2008 Newsletter.

Newsletter Editors Report (Jeff Meneau)

- 80% of members have their newsletter emailed. Please consider having your newsletter emailed if not already – it helps the chapter save money

WSLS Report (John Baudhuin)

- Last meeting was held at the Summer Meeting on August 24, 2008 in Egg Harbor
- The Board has decided to ask the Chapters for input on revamping the WSLs website. Jeff Austin, Scott DeBaker and Curt Sauser were also mentioned
- All comments from SWOT have been compiled, will be sorted, with the top 4 or 5 to be given future consideration
- The President and Executive Director will decide whether to share the WSLs membership list with other organizations
- The “Firm Directory” on the website will now list firms based in a particular county FIRST, before firms working statewide
- The Institute Committee will recognize New Registrants (as of December 1st) at the Wednesday noon luncheon during the 2009 Annual Institute. The Membership Chairman will send a letter inviting them to the luncheon, including RSVP

Auditing Committee (Dale Raisleger)

- No report at this time

CST Committee (Jim Westerman)

- Still waiting on a response from DOT concerning the hiring of CST accredited employees – *maybe this Fall?*

Ethics and Practices (Tom Leslie)

- No requests for forms since the last meeting

Land Records (Pat Ford)

- Brown County Register of Deeds, Cathy Williquette, will be presenting a program on eRecording. The program will be presented on October 28, 2008 from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room 200, Northern Building, 305 E. Walnut St, Green Bay. Part of the program will be a repeat of her Institute presentation and there will be a live demonstration of real estate documents being submitted. Questions or requests for more information should be directed to Cathy Williquette at 920-448-4469 or by email williquette_ca@co.brown.wi.us
- Wisconsin Height Modernization Update - Phases 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are completed and the data available on the NGS website
- Phase 6A leveling is complete and the data is being adjusted. The primary GPS survey is complete and adjusted. The secondary GPS and local field observations are complete and the data is being adjusted. All data will be published in late 2008
- Phase 6B leveling observations, primary and secondary GPS along with local surveys are complete. The data is should be published in late 2008
- Phase 7A monuments are constructed and the witness/guard posts have been installed, with leveling and GPS surveys planned for 2009
- Phase 7B monuments are constructed and the witness/guard posts have been installed. Leveling and GPS surveys are planned for 2010
- Phase 7C mark recovery is complete. Reconnaissance of existing benchmarks is complete and station reconnaissance is partially complete
- Phase 8A reconnaissance of existing benchmarks, primary base stations and new level lines is complete. Leveling, monumentation and GPS surveys are underway
- Phase 8 reconnaissance of existing benchmarks is complete. Reconnaissance of new level lines to be determined
- Wisconsin Continuously Operating Reference Stations (WISCORS) is up and running for the eastern part of the state. For the balance of the year there is no cost to use WISCORS. After January 1st there will "likely" be a \$500 per year per rover charge. Cell phone coverage, certain equipment requirements and a cell phone

data connection are required to utilize WISCORS. More information is available at: www.wiscors.gov

Legislative (Ed Harvey)

- Election time so not much else going on

Membership (Jim Sehloff)

- Membership counts as of October 9, 2008:
 - 64 - Professional
 - 11 - Affiliate
 - 19 - Student
 - 5 - Sustaining
 - 15 - Lifetime
 - 114 Total

Nominating Committee (Tom Halverson)

- Terry Van Hout has agreed to accept the nomination of Director for 2009
- A complete list of previous chapter officers is available online

Program Committee (Terry Van Hout)

- Thanks to Steve Bieda for acquiring Todd Elliott for tonight's presentation
- Contact Terry with your suggestions for possible topics for the January 209 meeting, perhaps water issues??

Public Relations (Dan Hoel)

- The WSLs museum display has been set up at the Washington County Museum in West Bend. Seiler Instruments donated a working GPS unit for the display (who got the empty shell?!)
- Tom Wood helped 73 Boy Scouts earn their Surveying Merit Badge last weekend, October 3-4

Scholarship Committee (Tom Wood)

- Applications will be mailed out in the next two weeks. Please encourage ALL students to apply

Student Representative (Don't know name)

- Since the previous chairman is no longer a student, it was decided that the young student in the white shirt who spoke first will now be the new representative

Trig Star (Tom Wood)

- As always, **Please** consider making contacts with your local schools and

getting them and yourself involved – it is very rewarding

- Terry will be talking to the Civil Tech class at Preble High School to see if there's interest in participating
- The raffle raised \$224, including the winner's share, which was donated back

Old Business

- Introduction of attending students
- A draft of the Continuing Education proposal is currently available in the latest edition of Wisconsin Professional Surveyor. The draft will go before the State Rules Committee on Tuesday, October 21, and then before the Joint Board on Wednesday, October 22
- President Gary Zahringer drafted a letter to the Registration Board in support of Continuing Education and will be sending it sometime early next year, coinciding with the scheduled public hearings
- The 3rd week in March has officially been named "National Surveyors Week"
- Summer meeting recap by Steve Bieda:
 - ~ 75-80 people for the Fish Boil
 - ~ 40 people for the seminars
 - ~ 21 people for Peninsula Players
 - ~ 26 people for golf
 - ~ 7 people for trap shooting
 - ~ 4 people for biking
 - ~ 8 people for the wine tour

After all accounts were tallied, the seminar cost the Chapter less than \$300 to host

GOOD JOB STEVE!!

New Business

- The PR Committee has been charged with coordinating the 2009 Spring Seminar in March. Gary Zahringer has offered to help
- Rob Harris is running for next year's WLSL Director-at-Large. A motion was *made, seconded and passed* to donate \$50 to his campaign fund
- Any work done on a Federal Highway now requires ALL WORKERS to wear a Class II or III vest. State Trooper citations are being handed out for non-compliance
- Extra volunteer Farm Tech Days t-shirts were raffled off by Jim Wallen
- A motion was *made, seconded and passed* to dissolve two committees: Farm Tech Days and WLSL Summer Meeting
- Seiler Instruments raffled off t-shirts, hats and a stake bag

Valley Surveying Free Meal: Jim Sehloff

Chapter Free Meal: Dale Raisleger

Being no further business, a motion was *made, seconded and passed* to adjourn 9:28 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Thomas Leslie
Secretary/Treasurer

**THE NORTHEAST WISCONSIN CHAPTER OF THE WISCONSIN SOCIETY OF
LAND SURVEYORS
- JANUARY 8TH, 2009 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER -**

Nathan Anderegg
1/21/2008

John Baudhuin
Baudhuin, Inc.
4/20/2008

Brandt Beer
Student
10/1/2008

Chad Beihoff
Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Kristin Bertrand
Student
10/1/2008

Kimberly Beyer
Student
11/1/2008

Steven Bieda
Mau & Associates
1/21/2008

Larry Blatchford
Mau & Associates
1/21/2008

Brandon Borkovetz
Student
11/1/2008

Eugene Braun
Retired
1/1/2008

Curtis Cannon Jr
Student
10/1/2008

Harold Charlier
Retired
1/1/2008

David Chrouser
Mau & Associates
1/21/2008

Robert Clark
Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Assoc.,
Inc.
1/21/2008

Andy Cleveland
Mach IV Engineering & Surveying LLC
1/21/2008

Kevin Damrow
Student
11/1/2008

Bernard Danhiuex
Retired
1/1/2008

Scott DeBaker
Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Jeffrey DeZeeuw
Steinbrecher & Meneau, Inc.
1/21/2008

Bradley Doperalski
Baudhuin, Inc.
4/20/2008

Casey Dubois
Student
10/1/2008

Ryan Duckart
STS Consultants
2/22/2008

David Eisele
Martenson & Eisele, Inc.
2/2/2008

Carl Elfstrom
Retired
1/1/2008

Patrick Erdmann
Student
10/1/2008

Thomas Fogarty
Retired
1/21/2008

Patrick Ford
Brown County Survey Dept.
1/21/2008

Brian Frisque
Brian Frisque Surveys
6/26/2008

Douglas Frisque
Student
10/1/2008

Thomas Giese
City of Green Bay
1/21/2008

Michael Gonnering
Earthtech
1/21/2008

Brian Gross
Oconto County Courthouse
1/21/2008

Hugh Guy Jr.
Hugh Guy Jr. Land Surveying
1/21/2008

Thomas Halverson
Carow Land Surveying
1/21/2008

Robert Harris
Harris & Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Ted Harris
Retired
1/1/2008

Edgar Harvey
Sheboygan County
1/21/2008

David Hebert
Hebert Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

James Hebert
Hebert Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Howard Herrild III
Mi-Tech Services, Inc.
8/28/2008

Troy Hewitt
Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Darwin Hintz
Retired
1/1/2008

Daniel Hoel
Martenson & Eisele, Inc.
1/21/2008

Kurt Hoffman
Student
10/1/2008

Gene Hojan
Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc.
1/21/2008

Nathan Hornick
Student
8/28/2008

Andrew Hunter
R.A. Smith National
2/14/2008

Jeffrey Kip Inman
Rice Engineering Inc.
1/21/2008

Robert Johanning
Retired
1/1/2008

Joshua Johnson
Student
10/1/2008

Marty Johnson
Earthtech
1/21/2008

Michael Kaczmarzyk
Martenson & Eisele, Inc.
1/21/2008

Craig Keach
Meridian Surveying LLC
2/12/2008

Jonathan Keckeisen
Student
10/1/2008

Ryan Klarner
Student
11/1/2008

Chatfield Kolar
Retired
1/1/2008

James Kronschnabel
Steinbrecher & Meneau, Inc.
1/21/2008

Kurt Kruger
Kapur & Associates
4/20/2008

A. Roger Laning
Sheboygan County
1/21/2008

Travis LeMoine Leica US
Leica
4/20/2008

Thomas Leslie
Brown County Property Listing
1/21/2008

Joseph Lett, Jr.
Wisconsin Public Service Corp.
1/21/2008

Jamie Loritz
Student
10/1/2008

Anthony Lulloff
Aerometric Inc.
1/21/2008

Brad Maleport
Student
10/1/2008

David Mau
Retired
1/1/2008

James Mayer
Mayer Land Surveying
1/21/2008

Michael McCarty
Baudhuin, Inc.
4/20/2008

Jeff Meneau
Mach IV Engineering & Surveying LLC
1/21/2008

Steve Meneau
Baudhuin, Inc.
4/20/2008

Kenneth Meneau
Steinbrecher & Meneau, Inc.
1/21/2008

Larry Miller
Omni Associates
1/21/2008

Mat Moser Student 10/1/2008	Jon Motquin Brown County Planning 1/21/2008	Brad Nelson Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. 1/21/2008
Kyle Norman Student 10/1/2008	Randall Oettinger Mau & Associates 1/21/2008	Jay Olson Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. 1/21/2008
Lucas Oshefsky MI-Tech Services, Inc 8/28/2008	Jared Peters Student 11/1/2008	Elton Peterson Retired 1/1/2008
Jack Peterson Student 10/1/2008	Bryan Pfeffer Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. 1/21/2008	Marty Pingel Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Assoc., Inc. 1/21/2008
Greg Griffin Positioning Solutions Positioning Solutions 10/1/2008	Casey Pries Student 10/1/2008	Dale Raisleger Brown County Highway Dept. 1/21/2008
Bob Reider Carow Land Surveying 1/21/2008	Dennis Reim Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. 1/21/2008	Kory Rentmeester Wisconsin Public Service Corp. 1/21/2008
Donald Rhode Retired 1/1/2008	Mike Roach Retired 1/1/2008	Randy Roethle Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. 1/21/2008
C.W. Rollman Retired 1/1/2008	Peter Schleinz Brown County PALS 1/21/2008	Nicholas Schuelke Student 10/1/2008
Charles Schueppert Student 8/28/2008	Dixon Schwarz Student 11/1/2008	James Sehloff Davel Engineering 2/10/2008
Terry Lueschow Seiler Instruments Seiler Instruments 1/21/2008	Paul Steinbrecher Steinbrecher & Meneau, Inc. 1/21/2008	Don Wiegel Survey Supply Shop Survey Supply Shop 3/6/2008
Lee Telfer Lee Telfer & Associates 1/21/2008	Mark Teuteberg Oconto County Courthouse 1/21/2008	Raymond Tilly Retired 1/1/2008
James Winkler Valley Surveying Instruments Valley Surveying Instruments 2/22/2008	Scott Van Calster Student 9/1/2008	Lisa Van Horn Van Horn & Van Horn, LLC 1/21/2008

Les Van Horn
Van Horn & Van Horn, LLC
1/21/2008

Terry Van Hout
TNT Professional Land Surveying
1/21/2008

Kyle Vander Loop
Student
11/1/2008

Rick VanGoethem
Northeast WI Technical College
2/2/2008

Joel Wald
Omni Associates
1/21/2008

James Wallen
Brown County Property Listing
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Bernard Watermolen
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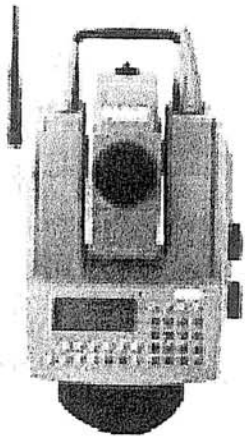
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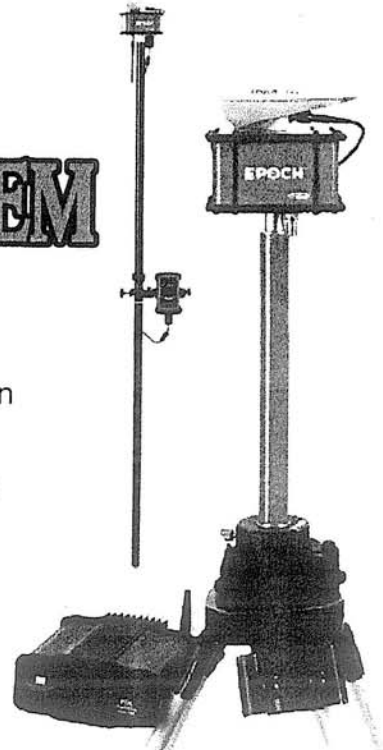
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TREASURER'S REPORT
December 31, 2008

Checking Account

Starting Balance	6-26-08		6342.45
Deposits		1072.25+	
Checks		1000.00-	
Service Charge			
Current Balance			6414.70*
Cash Box Money		100.00+	
(* - Checking Account contains \$675 for donated student meals and \$753 for TrigStar)			<u>1,428.00-</u>
Available Chapter Funds:			4986.70

6-Month Certificate of Deposit

Last Maturity Balance	10-28-08		2108.16
Total Interest (2.15%)	on 10-28-08		25.37
			2133.53
<i>Next Maturity Date:</i>	<i>4-29-09</i>		

TOTAL ASSETS: **\$7120.23**

Northeast Chapter Treasurer
Tom Leslie

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2008 FALL MEETING of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2008 Fall Board Meeting was held at Mackinaw's in Green Bay on Thursday, November 13. There were **10** members present when President Gary Zahringer called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the last Board Meeting minutes of August 14, 2008

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and accepted

The following reports were given:

NEWSLETTER EDITORS REPORT (Jeff Meneau)

- A new Sustaining Member inquired about the updating of the website (see New Business)

WSLS REPORT (John Baudhuin)

- Last meeting was held October 11
- Standards Review Committee explained the process of creating the last mailed committee letter and its end result
- Bill Jung, La Crosse County Surveyor, will be retiring. The opening will be posted on the web
- The museum now has displays in Sturgeon Bay, National Railroad Museum in Green Bay, West Bend, Waukesha and the State Capitol Building in Madison, with the possibility of an article in a national magazine
- Burnett and Walworth Counties report cases of unlicensed surveying. If the Registration Board and the local DA will not act, WSLs needs to take action
- The Nominating Committee submitted names of Jimmy Rein for President-Elect and John Prokop, Wade Pettit, Mark Banton & Rob Harris for At Large Director
- CST Testing will be held at NWTC
- Bucky's Challenge will be held on Wednesday
- A new registrants lunch will also be held on Wednesday
- The Definition of Law petition was discussed by the Supreme Court on October 26
- Online courses and their use as CEUs was discussed, with some concern as to the % of online courses allowed
- The WSLs website will be redesigned

AUDITING (Dale Raisleger)

- No report at this time

CST (Jim Westerman)

- Not much to report. Hopefully the Institute's CST testing will be setup this year

ETHICS AND PRACTICE (Tom Leslie)

- An email was received regarding Marinette County's current policy of setting government corners (and other types of surveys) without an RLS present or involved. The email was forwarded to the WSLs Ethics committee and the State Registration Board

LAND RECORDS (Pat Ford)

- The Brown County PALS office is now open from 7:30 am thru 4:30 pm – records are open for lunch
- Effective July 1, 2009, 2007 Act 219 requires that all real estate transfer returns be filed electronically.

LEGISLATIVE (Ed Harvey)

- No report at this time

MEMBERSHIP (Jim Schloff)

- There are 114 paid members as of this meeting
 - 64 Professional
 - 11 Affiliate
 - 19 Students
 - 5 Sustaining
 - 15 Lifetime
- The reception has not been good to the proposed company-wide membership, so the issue is dropped

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Tom Halverson)

- No report at this time

PROGRAM COMMITTEE (Terry Van Hout)

- The Winter General Meeting usually has no presentation.... But it was mentioned that a quick review of the latest proposed CEU rules might in order. John Baudhuin will obtain a copy before the next meeting and *present*?

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Dan Hoel)

- An inquiry asking for a possible geo-caching monument at NWTC was received by Pat Ford, who will forward the email to Rick VanGoethem at NWTC
- Supported by NSGS, Geo-caching now has monuments available from Berntsen

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE (Tom Wood)

- No report at this time

STUDENT COMMITTEE (Jesse Delveaux)

- No report at this time

TRIG*STAR (Tom Wood)

- No report at this time. Test coming in March

OLD BUSINESS

- President Gary Zahringer will wait until the March 2009 Registration & Licensing Board meeting to send a letter stating the Chapter's support of proposed Continuing Education bill
- Tom Giese presented a hand-out and flyer explaining the new DOT hi-vis apparel requirements for ALL Federal and State highways, which start November 24, 2008 (County highways are exempt)

NEW BUSINESS

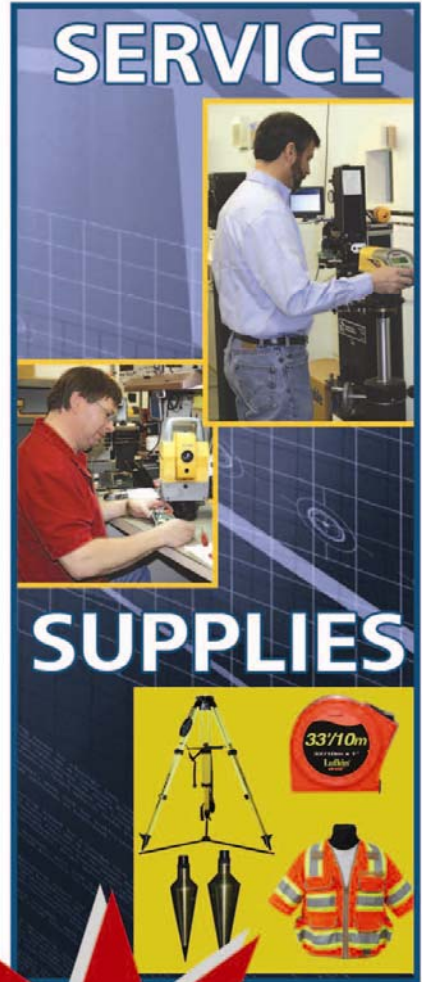
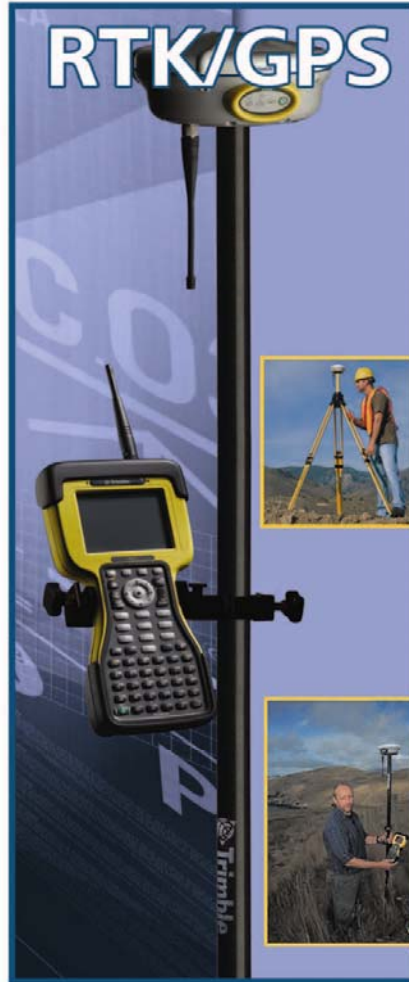
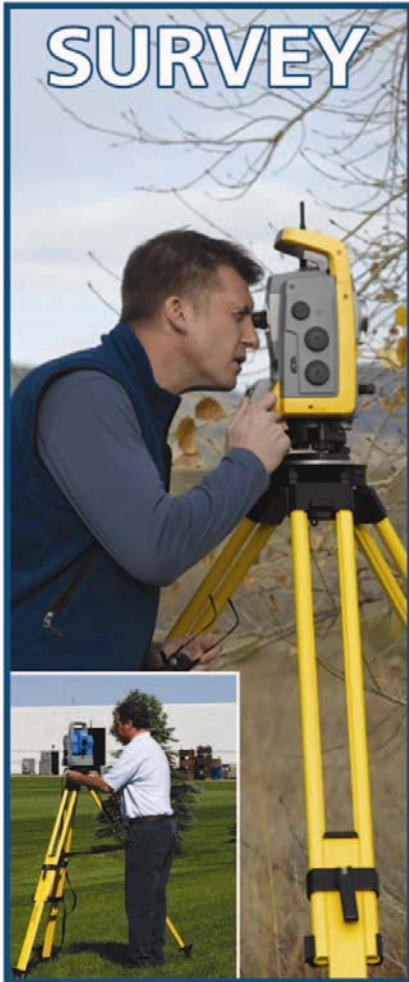
- A letter and a CD documenting their trip in 2008 was received from the survey students of Douglas Houghton Student Chapter at Michigan Tech. It asks for a donation to help fund their participation in the NSPS 2009 National Convention student competition, held in Salt Lake City. *Want to view the CD? Just ask and I'll send it out to you.* It was decided that the Board would rather have the money go towards another scholarship or perhaps raffle tickets like the ones they sold last year. Gary Zahringer will send a letter in return
- A Seminar Committee was created to handle the 2nd annual seminar in March 2009. Gary Zahringer will chair the committee. Gary Wickert has agreed to do a half-day on easements. Perhaps Doug Mathys from WPS could talk about the creating, use & vacating of utility easements?
- An email will be sent requesting the Annual Committee Reports from Committee Chairs
- Bucky's Challenge for 2009 is \$225 for 3-8 people. An email will be sent asking for volunteers for a NE Chapter team... need I say
* BEST DRESSED IN 2008!! *
- Student meals are good, with 56 available
- The Chapter website has not been updated in quite a while due to computer and software problems. Lisa Van Horn will check at NWTC for any students in need of some "extra credit" and possibly at a savings to the Chapter. Scott DeBaker will provide a list of needs to Lisa and see what she can do

Being no further business *a motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn at 7:50 PM*

Respectively submitted,

Tom Leslie
Secretary
Fall 2008 Board Meeting

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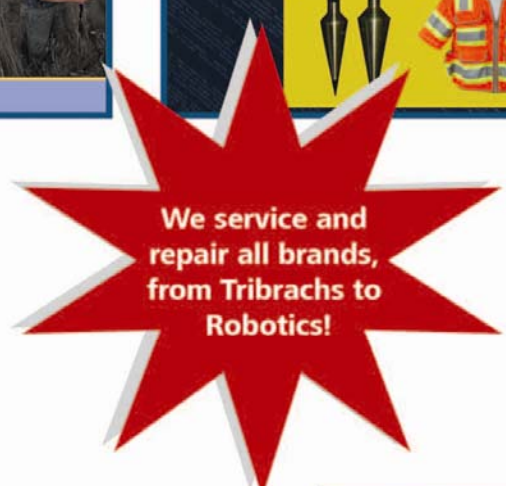
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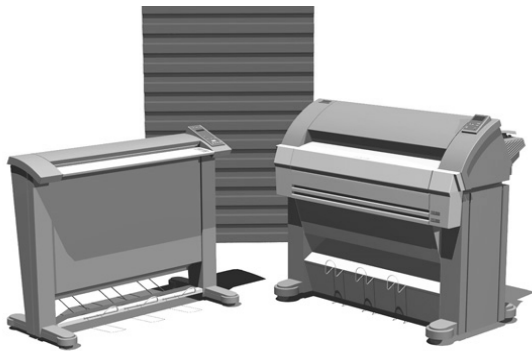
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