

Northeast Chapter of the  
Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors

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Northeast Chapter Meeting  
Thursday January 21st, 2010

The Ravine, Green Bay, WI



## Presentation:

Bill Bosiacki and Matt Heyroth will be speaking on the newly adopted FEMA Flood Hazard Maps in Brown County

Don't forget to pay your 2010 dues

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**2009 TENTATIVE MEETING**

**SCHEDULE & LOCATION**

- January 8th, 2009  
Regular meeting - Green Bay  
The Ravine
- February 17th, 2009  
Board of Directors - DePere  
Sports Corner
- April 9th, 2009  
Regular meeting - Brillion  
Cobblestone Creek
- May 14th, 2009  
Board of Directors - Appleton
- July 9th, 2009  
Regular meeting - Depere  
Mid Vallee Golf Course
- August 13th, 2009  
Board of Directors - Green Bay  
Mackinaws
- October 8th, 2009  
Regular meeting - Sturgeon Bay  
Ladder House
- November 12th, 2009  
Board of Directors - Kaukauna  
Out O' Town
- January 21th, 2010  
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](http://www.wsls-nec.org)

Jeff Meneau - Newsletter Editor



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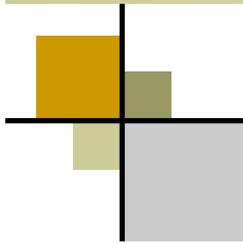
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**Membership Dues:**

- 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 Chapter Members,

I would like to wish all of you a Happy New year. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. Let's hope that 2010 is the commencement to better days ahead and the fall of these sluggish economic times.

Now that the Packer's season is over we can all concentrate on Brett Favre. NOT! What an interesting finish to the Packer's rough start. Just wait until next year!

The WSLIS Institute is coming up soon, February 3rd, 4th, & 5th in Wisconsin Dells. It looks like another great line up. Continuing education is now in effect and the Institute is a great way to earn your credits. I hope you are able to take advantage of the program.

Bill Bosiacki and Matt Heyroth are scheduled to make a presentation at our general membership meeting on January 21st at the Ravine in Green Bay. They will be speaking on the newly adopted FEMA Flood Hazard Maps in Brown County. This is a very interesting topic for it has had an effect on many parcels within the county.

Well my term as the Northeast Chapter President is almost over. What a great organization to be a part of. It truly has been an honor to serve as your President. I would like to thank the Chapter Board Members for all of their support. I would like to give a special thanks to Tom Leslie. It's because of people like Tom that the Northeast Chapter is so successful. I would also like to give thanks the Committee Chairs and Members. I encourage all of you to get involved with the Chapter. The Committee signup sheets will be out at the next meeting, so the opportunity awaits you.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the January meeting.

James R. Westerman

Chapter President

The Thursday, January 21st 2010 meeting of the Northeast Chapter of the Wisconsin Society of Land Surveyors:

### The Ravine

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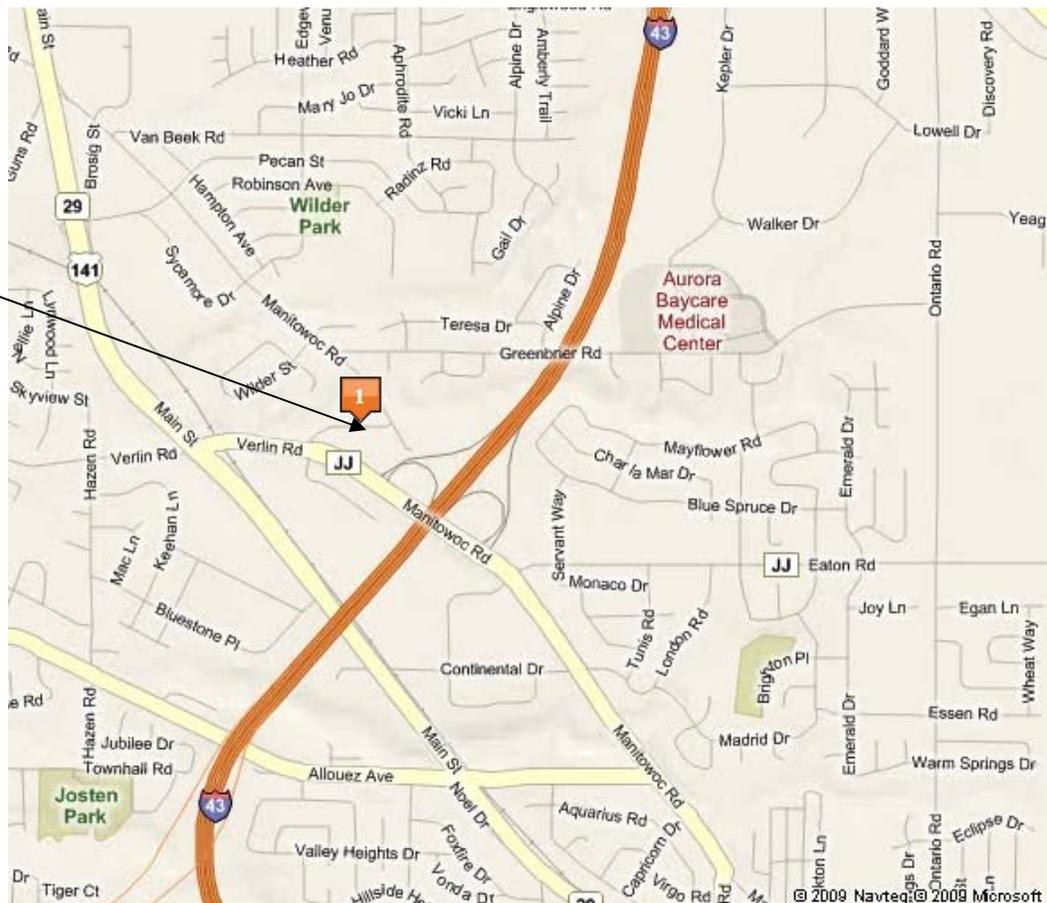
**Attitude adjustment is at 6:00 pm and Dinner is at 6:45 pm Dinner will cost \$15.00**

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 Jim Westerman - President- 920-662-9641

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**2009 FALL  
General Membership Meeting  
Northeast Chapter of WSLs**

The 2009 Fall General Meeting was held on October 8, 2009 at The Ladder House in Sturgeon Bay, WI. There were 37 members present, including 8 students and 1 special guest, when Jim Westerman called the General Meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**Les Van Horn: "Accept or Reject Monumented PLSS Corners"**

In accepting or rejecting a Monumented PLSS corner, the surveyor must obtain and analyze as much information as possible. Les spoke of his own experiences, some recent, that relate directly to the topic at hand. He described errors in placement, perpetrated by others and admittedly by him as well. He also stated:

- ~ He believes 95-98% of government corners are correct
- ~ Gov't corners should not be seen as a "Holy Grail" - they are subject to error
- ~ Early remonumentation efforts (1960's) used equipment substandard in today's world, with no geodetic control or EDMs
- ~ Sometimes fence line occupation does not match Gov't lines but should still be investigated for validity of that line
- ~ When things don't fit together well, maybe it's the gov't corner
- ~ If a problem exists with a gov't. corner, the surveyor should contact the local County Surveyor and, if possible, the original surveyor who set the corner
- ~ Coords will get you "to" but you still have to measure "from"
- ~ The better use of local evidence by surveyors AND gov't officials
- ~ Business budget constraints do hinder the proper work that sometimes needs to be done

Les yielded many questions and comments from the group, creating good discussion

Jim Westerman thanked Les for his excellent presentation

A motion was *made, seconded and approved* to accept the General Meeting minutes of July 9, 2009.

A motion was *made, seconded and approved* to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented in the October 2009 Newsletter.

The following reports were given:

**Newsletter Editors Report** (Jeff Meneau)

- Everything went well with the last mailing

**WSLS Report** (John Baudhuin)

- Last meeting was on August 15, 2009 during the Summer Chapter Meeting in Milwaukee
- Extending the Kalahari contract thru 2015 has been approved
- Concerns over unlicensed practice led to a meeting held on July 29 at the DRL. The main focus of this meeting was communication. DRL offered to attend a board meeting or present a seminar at the Institute or perhaps an Institute lunch where everyone can attend
- Atty Roat reported progress in looking at actions that WSLs could take in court to deal with unlicensed practice
- Atty Roat was directed to file an cease and desist complaint (injunction) against a particular case in Burnett Co. and to establish a generic procedure that could be used in other cases
- DRL has started sending press releases to the local papers in communities where a license holder loses his or her license. Atty Roat felt that the responses to date demonstrate that the parties are taking WSLs serious

**Auditing Committee** (Tom Giese)

- No report at this time

**CST Committee** (Troy Hewitt)

- NWTC will be testing in March 2010

**Ethics and Practices** (Tom Leslie)

- "No Malueg!!" - when translated means "no report at this time"

**Land Records** (Pat Ford)

- Howard Veregin is the new State Cartographer (announced on Aug 25)

- Height Modernization update for area 8A (Door, Kewaunee and parts of Brown, Manitowoc, Outagamie, Shawano, and Waupaca Counties):
  - ~ *Leveling*: A bust was found in the leveling data and the bad section was rerun and is being incorporated into the overall leveling data. A preliminary adjustment will be submitted to NGS by mid November
  - ~ *GPS*: Observational data has been processed and preliminary adjustments are being compiled. DOT is planning on submitting the final adjustments to NGS in early December
- Shawano County recently passed a resolution: If any gov't corner will be removed or has been destroyed, a registered land surveyor must be contracted to replace the corner *and* the County must be contacted. If a corner is found to be replaced improperly or not at all, the County will charge \$300 to place or replace (\$600 if County was not contacted before the discovery)

**Legislative** (Ed Harvey)

- No report at this time

**Membership** (Jim Sehloff)

- Membership counts as of October 8, 2009:
  - 60 - Professional
  - 7 - Affiliate
  - 14 - Student
  - 5 - Sustaining
  - 14 - Lifetime
  - 100 Total

**Nominating Committee** (Bob Reider)

- No report at this time

**Program Committee** (Terry Van Hout)

- "Thank You" to Lisa Van Horn for his excellent presentation/discussion – it's not easy admitting to one's own errors in front of a large group
- If you've had an interesting project, please share with the group – this type of discussion always seems to be a favorite part of the meetings

**Public Relations** (Lisa Van Horn)

- The new museum display is set up at the Pulaski Museum and is open every Thursday night (across from tattoo shop)
- The Door County display will be done at the end of October. Volunteers are greatly appreciated in helping breakdown and move the display. Contact Lisa if interested

**Scholarship Committee** (Tom Wood)

- The State application has been out for almost a month now. It was agreed the Chapter's application would be sent out at relatively the same time. Did this happen? Rob Harris will contact Tom W

**Seminar Committee** (Gary Zahringer)

- April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 is THE date of the next seminar, possibly with Bush Nielsen doing an all-day presentation

**Student Representative** (Scott VanCalster)

- NWTC has 22 people enrolled 1<sup>st</sup> year, 14 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 4 part-time
- The Association of Civil Engineering Technicians has been revived at NWTC, with Kirsten Bertrand - President, Heather Marquardt - VP, and Treasurer - Scott VanCalster. The group will start discussing fundraising ideas – the funds raised will help NWTC students attend the Annual Institute in Wisconsin Dells
- January 14, 2010 is the next scheduled Winter General Meeting – that is the first day of classes for the spring semester for NWTC. Students might not know of the meeting so soon back to school. *Would the Board consider moving the date to January 21?* The Board will take up the discussion in November.

**Trig Star** (Tom Wood)

- VOLUNTEERS are needed!! Now is the time to initiate your contact with prospective schools
- Raffle raised \$164 with 25% going to the winner, Darlene Zeitler - CONGRATS!

**Old Business**

- Special Guest Bob Lannan, retired Pierce County Surveyor was introduced. He is thinking of moving over to this side of the state and wanted to attend a local surveyor group meeting. WELCOME!!

- Joint Board will meet next Wednesday to approve the Continuing Education Bill. There are no known oppositions to the bill and should be approved to become law February 1, 2010

**New Business**

- WSLs has sent an email requesting ALL chapters give their opinions, ideas and/or complaints about the WSLs website. After discussion, chapters should send replies to Frank Thousand (individuals can as well)
- WSLs TrigStar funding has become responsibility of the WSLs Foundation
- Around the USA, Wisconsin is becoming known as a good TrigStar state
- In Brown County, the new FEMA flood maps are adopted. Matt Heyroth of BC Zoning was instructed by FEMA to classify any fill put in before June 2007 as "NOT FILL". Some geodetic studies may be ordered to determine soil compaction, etc. Keep this in mind when you are doing any LOMA work!
- There are no reference monuments on the new FEMA maps unlike previous maps
- Manitowoc County has laid off 35 of 45 employees in the Highway Department as of November 2009. Highway plats and other related maps and documents will be scanned and ready for online use by year's start (hopefully)

*Valley Surveying Free Meal: John Baudhuin (déjà vu)*

*Chapter Free Meal: Tom Giese (vu jàdè?)*

Being no further business, a motion was *made, seconded and passed* to adjourn 9:21 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

**Thomas Leslie**  
Secretary/Treasurer

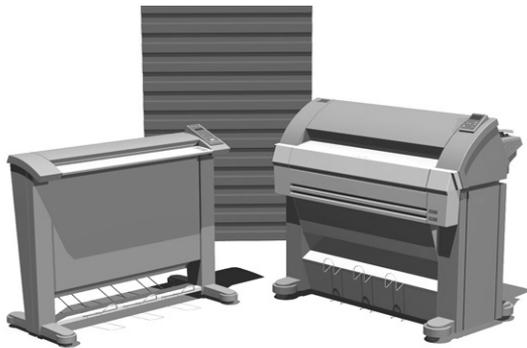
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Wednesday, February 3rd, 2010

<b>1. 10:00 - Noon</b> Surveyor Reports	<b>2. 10:00 - Noon</b> Unusual Plat Omissions	<b>3. 10:00 - Noon</b> Minimum Standards and Practice Review	<b>4. 10:00 - Noon</b> PLSS 21st Century <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>5. 10:00 - Noon</b> WISCORS	<b>6. 10:00 - Noon</b> Equipment Preview Session
<b>12:00 - 1:30 - New Registrant Lunch</b>					
<b>7. 1:30 - 3:10</b> Managing Your Business in Challenging Times <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>8. 1:30 - 3:10</b> Return to New Miner, a Section Subdivision - Then vs. Now <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>9. 1:30 - 3:10</b> SS 70.27-Assessor's Plats in Wisconsin	<b>10. 1:30 - 3:10</b> PLSS 21st Century <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>11. 1:30 - 3:10</b> GPS & WISCORS for Road Construction and Agricultural Uses	<b>12. 1:30 - 3:10</b> Equipment Preview Session
<b>13. 3:30 - 4:30</b> Managing Your Business in Challenging Times <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>14. 3:30 - 4:30</b> Return to New Miner, a Section Subdivision - Then vs. Now <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>15. 3:30 - 4:30</b> Equipment Preview Session	<b>16. 3:30 - 4:30</b> PLSS 21st Century <u>(Part 3)</u>	<b>17. 3:30 - 4:30</b> WISCORS	<b>18. 3:30 - 4:30</b> Equipment Preview Session

Thursday, February 4th, 2010

<b>19. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Mock Trial <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>20. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Overview of the Next Edition of the BLM Manual	<b>21. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Wow, This Was a Survey! You Name It, We Had To Deal With It <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>22. 8:20 - 10:00</b> The Business Side of Surveying	<b>23. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Mapping with AutoCAD 2010 <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>24. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Equipment Preview Session
<b>25. 10:20 - Noon</b> Mock Trial <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>26. 10:20 - Noon</b> Overview of the Certified Federal Surveyors Program	<b>27. 10:20 - Noon</b> Wow, This Was a Survey! You Name It, We Had To Deal With It <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>28. 10:20 - Noon</b> It Ain't Begun Until the Permitting is Done! Permitting Issues and the Preservation of Wisconsin's Prehistoric and Historic Past	<b>29. 10:20 - Noon</b> Mapping with AutoCAD 2010 <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>30. 10:20 - Noon</b> AutoCAD User Group Equipment Preview Session
<b>12:00 - 2:00 - Past Presidents' Lunch</b>					
<b>31. 2:00 - 4:00</b> ALTA/ACSM Land Title Surveys for Field Technicians	<b>32. 2:00 - 4:00</b> Update on Wisconsin Height Modernization Program (WI-HMP) and Practical Application of WI-HMP through the use of WISCORS	<b>33. 2:00 - 4:00</b> WSLS Meeting	<b>34. 2:00 - 4:00</b> After the Lake Delton Flood	<b>35. 2:00 - 4:00</b> Mapping with AutoCAD 2010 <u>(Part 3)</u>	<b>36. 2:00 - 4:00</b> AutoCAD User Group Equipment Preview Session

Friday, February 5th, 2010

<b>37. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Controlling Intermediate PLSS Monuments <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>38. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Small Claims: Do's and Don'ts <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>39. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Chainsaw Safety & Maintenance for Land Surveyors <u>(Part 1)</u>	<b>40. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Optical Scanners - Practical Applications	<b>41. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Estate Planning Is Not Just for the Rich and Famous	<b>42. 8:20 - 10:00</b> Ethically Speaking
<b>43. 10:20 - Noon</b> Controlling Intermediate PLSS Monuments <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>44. 10:20 - Noon</b> Small Claims: Do's and Don'ts <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>45. 10:20 - Noon</b> Chainsaw Safety & Maintenance for Land Surveyors <u>(Part 2)</u>	<b>46. 10:20 - Noon</b> Recent Developments in Easement Law (with War Stories)	<b>47. 10:20 - Noon</b> Succession Planning for the Family Owned Business	<b>48. 10:20 - Noon</b> Ethically Speaking

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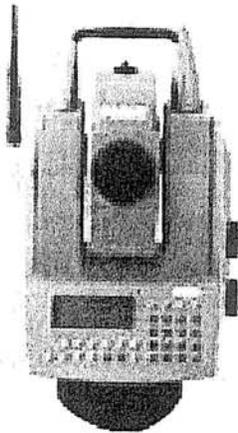
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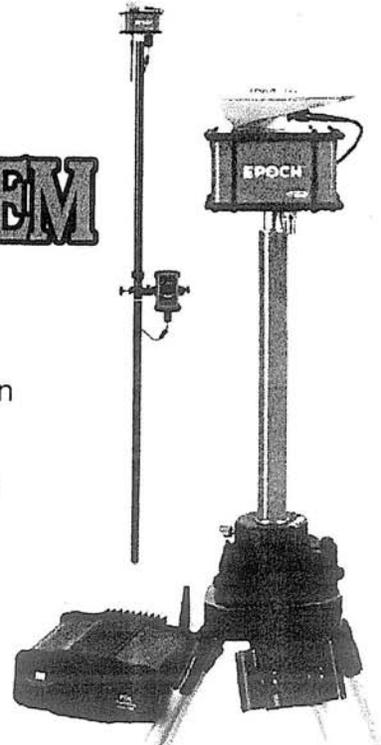
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**January 21, 2010**

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Deposits		1614.00+	
Checks		576.19-	
Outstanding Checks		0.00-	
Current Balance			<b>6413.33*</b>
Cash Box Money		100.00+	
(* - Checking Account contains \$435 for donated student meals and \$1129 for TrigStar)			<u>1,564.00-</u>
<b>Available Chapter Funds:</b>			<b>4949.33</b>

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Last Maturity Balance	10-28-09		<b>2172.10</b>
Total Interest (1.00%)	on 4-30-10		<u>10.89</u>
<i>Next Maturity Date:</i>	<i>4-30-10</i>		2182.99

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# Northeast Wisconsin Chapter of WSLs

## 2009 FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

November 12, 2009 – Prime Steer in Kaukauna

There were **8** members present when President Jim Westerman called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm.

A motion was *made, seconded and approved* to accept the Board Meeting minutes of August 13, 2009

Treasurer's Report was approved as presented

The following reports were given:

### NEWSLETTER EDITORS REPORT (Jeff Meneau)

- Board Members wondered if Jeff Meneau would continue to be Newsletter Editor while also Director and VP – Email will be sent to Jeff

### WSLS REPORT (John Baudhuin)

- The Institute Committee has most programs set and is working on cover art for the brochure
- Bruce Bowden has been chosen as President-Elect for 2010
- Outreach efforts include sponsoring booths at WLIA & WCA conventions, Wisconsin Tree Farm Committee meeting and 6 museum displays. It was suggested to also sponsor a booth at WTA
- Fellow membership category was discussed – with Lisa Van Horn and John Casucci nominated. Each Chapter will create a list of possible candidates for WSLs Fellow membership
- NWTC students have volunteered to monitor Continuing Education efforts at the Institute. President Wallen will also invite other educational institutes to participate. NOTE: WSLs is keeping track of PDHs as a *service* to its members, not as an enforcement procedure
- Board discussed the use of published coordinates on survey maps and the related hidden dangers

### AUDITING (Tom Giese)

- No report at this time

### CST (Troy Hewitt)

- NWTC and the WSLs Institute will both hold a CST test next year, with an announcement included in the Institute brochure
- Jim W talked with Wayne Sorenson and requested to include the titles of RLS and CST on this year's Institute name tags

### ETHICS AND PRACTICE (Tom Leslie)

- No complaints or requests have been received since the last Board meeting

- *Is the State getting a better hold on the unlicensed surveying problem?*

### LAND RECORDS (Pat Ford)

- Pat F will not be Committee Chair next year

### LEGISLATIVE (Ed Harvey)

- No report at this time

### MEMBERSHIP (Jim Schloff)

- There are 114 paid members as of this meeting
 

63	Professional
7	Affiliate
25	Students
5	Sustaining
14	Lifetime

### NOMINATING (Bob Reider)

- No report at this time

### PROGRAM (Terry Van Hout)

- Bill Bosacki and Matt Heyroth will talk about the new FEMA maps and related problems at the Winter General meeting in January 2010

### PUBLIC RELATIONS (Lisa Van Horn)

- No report at this time

### SCHOLARSHIP (Tom Wood)

- Applications have been sent to participating schools, with a return deadline of early December

### SEMINAR (Gary Zahringer)

- Next seminar is set for April 16, 2010
- Gary Z is still working on Bush Nelson to give an all day presentation

### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE (Scott Van Calster)

- Students will help categorize all the "museum stuff" being held in the basement of Mau & Associates
- The Survey Club will hold a Christmas Party, with Les Van Horn giving a presentation on Fort Howard
- Students request to move the January General Meeting to January 21<sup>st</sup> was granted

### TRIG\*STAR COMMITTEE (Tom Wood)

- There has been no contact with schools at this time but De Pere and Southwest should be good to go – perhaps Little Chute as well?

- Maybe local businesses could be contacted to give their support to ALL kids testing??

**\*\* VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!! \*\***

**OLD BUSINESS**

- No Old Business to report

**NEW BUSINESS**

- After much discussion on Fellow Membership, in both WSLs and NE Chapter, *a motion was made, seconded and approved to have the Northeast Chapter pay the 1<sup>st</sup> year dues for any NE Chapter member that achieves WSLs Fellow Membership*
- Starting next year, a 2010 Chapter Membership application will be emailed to all current and past NE Chapter members (that have email addresses in the system). *Do we snail mail the rest??*
- The last 4 years, NWTC had offered Land Law 1 & 2, mainly online. Videos of previous classes are available for viewing, with all videos being updated (more in-depth) by Spring of 2010
- John B request that we balance our meetings with those of WSLs so that Tom L (secretary) does not have to produce such a quick turn around for the minutes (sometimes the next day)
- Job descriptions for all Committees will be printed in the January newsletter – to give people have an idea of what each committee does

Being no further business *a motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn at 8:51 PM*

Respectively submitted,

Tom Leslie  
Secretary

Fall 2009 Board Meeting



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