

The Newsletter serving the Los Angeles Chapter of the California Land Surveyors Association

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Calendar





Thursday, Dec.3, 2015 - CLSA LA Chapter - Holiday Party & Bowling

- Festivities start at 6:00pm

Meeting details on the next page



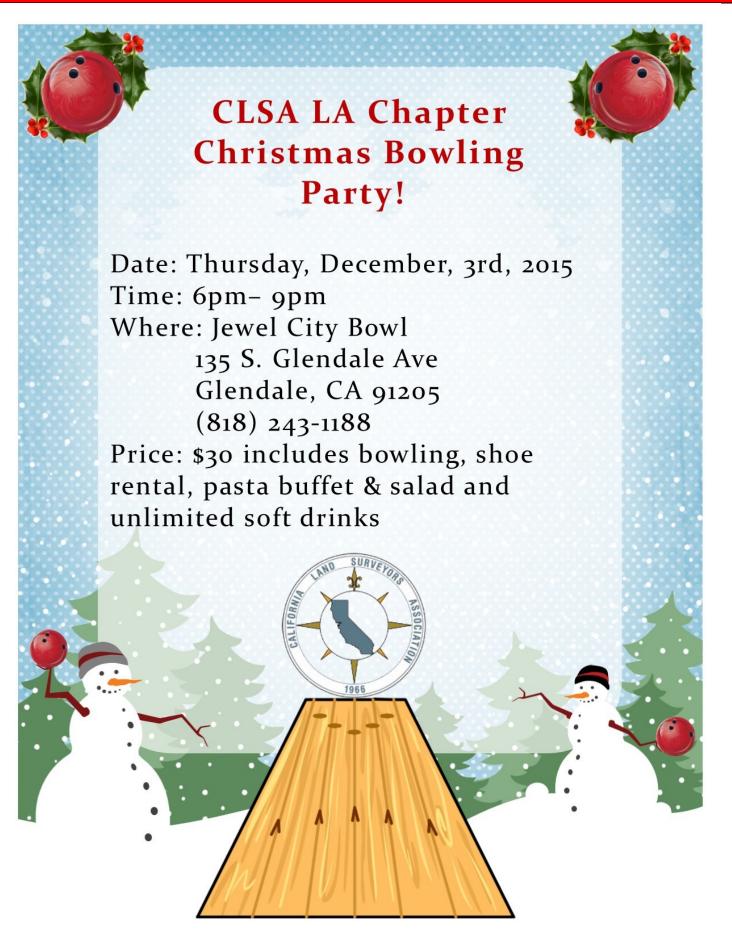
Thursday December 10, 2015—American Association for Geodetic Surveying, Dec 2015 Board Meeting. For more information, visit: http://www.aagsmo.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=Page.viewPage&pageId=593

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LA Chapter Holiday Party







LA Chapter—Year in Review



From the Desk of LA Chapter President, Buck Rodgers:

We've had a good year! Thank you to all who participate in this organization by your attendance, your effort and your interest. Vince Lombardi is known to have said "The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor. "I believe that Surveyors, specifically, are committed to excellence. This is shown in our excellent professionalism, our passion to identify facts and recover research and assist others who rely on us in order to facilitate their projects. This commitment to excellence is also shown in our Los Angeles Chapter of the CLSA. I am proud to have been able to serve as president this year and am thankful for the opportunity. The officers and directors are the workforce behind this Chapter. Credit is due to all who donate their time to the "work" of the Chapter. We've had a lot of meaningful discussion at our Chapter meetings; we've assisted others through scholarships and have made bonds with nearby Chapters through joint Chapter meetings. I encourage all of you to seek ways to assist the Chapter. Showing up to the monthly meetings is only a part of what goes on here. There are many ways you can provide support. So, talk to the officers and directors to find out how you can help. We need you! I've put a short list of the some of the year's events, please find them to follow:

Membership

Let us be in remembrance of Paula Lindhout, who passed away in May. She was an integral part of our Chapter and served as the glue that held many parts of our Chapter together. Mark Price filled in for the remainder of the year. Our membership drive yielded 134 members. Thank you all for actively participating in our Chapter!

Scholarship

Our Chapter made four Scholarship suggestions totaling nearly \$2,200. We hope to encourage college students to pursue a career in Surveying. President Elect Lewie Miller has pretty much single handedly put together the Dave Hobbs Golf Tournament, of which proceeds go to the education foundation. Props to Lewie, great job!

Treasury

50/50 Raffle – luck of the draw is played each General Meeting with the 50% take growing each meeting. The take away is reaching a Gazillion Dollars. So, attend the monthly meeting(s) for your chance to bring home the stash! Our Chapter has maintained nearly 18k.



LA Chapter- Year in Review



Meetings

- January Introduction of Officers and 2015 Year goals Robert "Buck" Rogers
- February Future of Surveying Dave Wooley
- March Subdivision Map E-Plan Check Dennis Hunter and Steve Steinhoff
- April- Maximizing use of Google earth John Tosto
- May Condominium Plans Surveyor/Attorney roles and views Geoffrey Mitchell and Bill Pham
- June Laser Scanning everyday projects James Yaccino (Leica) Plus Monument Preservation by Tony Pratt
- July Remember when?? Not just nostalgia James M. Hart
- August CLSA Happenings President Jay Seymour
- September Pipeline Safety Enhancement Program (Surveying and GIS) Shannon Conaway and Thomas Pilarski
- October Foresight CLSA 2016 State President Elect Roger Hanlin
- November Dave Hobbs Annual Golf Tournament and lunch meeting
- December Christmas party and bowling

Newsletter

In my opinion this is an award winning newsletter. Mr. Tosto should be awarded the Phoenix award for this year by bringing this up out of the ashes. Our Chapter has been lacking a newsletter for some time. He has done a great job and I hope all of you are enjoying his effort.

Thank you one and all!

Best personal regards,

Robert "Buck" Rogers, PLS 8348



Board of Directors Meeting Summary



The California Land Surveyors Association held the 2015 Q3 Board of Directors meeting in Sacramento on Saturday, November 7. This was the last Board meeting that Jay Seymour of the LA Chapter would preside as President of our State Organization. Congratulations on your fine work, Jay. The meeting was represented by Directors and Alternate Directors from all State Chapters and the agenda was packed as the Board had some remaining items from the July meeting to wrap up as well as make headway on new business. Here is a quick summary of a few notable events, so look for a full Director's report at the next Chapter meeting

The first item of business was the ratification of the contract with California Advocates Management Services, CLSA's new Association Management Firm. The Board of Directors were introduced to Jeff Burgess and his appointment as the new Executive Director was ratified. Another exciting item was the approval of the Student Chapter Application for California State University Monterey Bay. Congratulations!

Armand Marois attended the National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) meeting in October and provided a detailed update on the NSPS happenings, one of the notable items being the new 2016 ALTA/NSPS standards, which are scheduled to become effective on February 23, 2016 (attached hereto, but you can also use this link)

http://www.nsps.us.com/document/docWindow.cfm?

fuseaction=document.viewDocument&documentid=1523&documentFormatId=1552

It was brought to the attention of the Board of Directors that some Chapters are struggling to maintain activity and/or membership levels needed to retain Chapter status. Please make sure you are staying involved and that your local and State memberships are in good standing.

One request from the Board of Directors is for each Chapter to please participate in the selection of the following categories for awards (please get your nominations to the Central Office by mid -December, 2015):

- Distinguished Service Award
- Member of the Year Award
- Chapter of the Year Award
- Newsletter of the Year Award
- Chapter Website of the Year Award
- Annual Photo of the Year Award

The Board is also asking for assistance and volunteers for our Golden Anniversary Conference, a celebration of 50 years as an Organization being held March 19-22, 2016 in Rohnert Park in Sonoma County, the birthplace of CLSA. We need:

- Speakers-topics-workshops-seminars topics
- Ideas for celebrating our 50th anniversary
- Support for a golf tournament, bowling event, auction items
- We need support! Workers, organizers, financial support for the student participation...





LA Chapter Golf Tournament



Many thanks for all those who came out to the San Dimas Canyon Golf Course to participated in the 3rd Annual David Hobbs Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament. This was our chapter's third year in a row putting together a tournament in which we raised a good chunk of money for the State's Education Foundation. Thank you to all of our sponsors and volunteers for donating time and money to making this event so successful. Special thanks to the guys at DWP for their involvement with the tournament and for really caring for it's success. Joey Desjardins, Bill Meagher, Justin Meagher and Shane Gardner crushed all competition by posting a 61 and winning this year's tournament, the next closest score was a 66. Virgie Lantry won Closest to the Hole and Tom Herrin won the Longest Drive. Erik Bowers took home the main raffle prize, a Garmin Golf Watch. The weather was prefect, the course was in good condition and everybody seemed to have a great time. Hopefully we can continue the fun for years to come.

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Joker Raffle= \$1015+





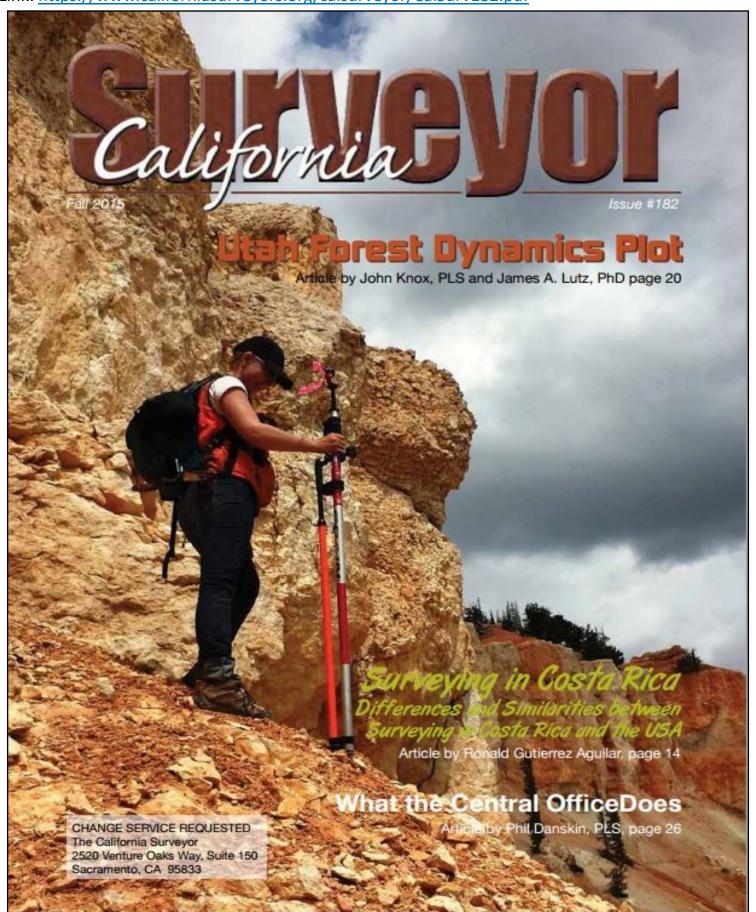
The Joker Raffle is a fundraising idea the CLSA created to help increase funds and make the raffle more exciting. Here is how it works: raffle tickets are sold throughout the monthly meeting. At the end of the meeting a ticket is pulled. The winner selects a card from a deck of cards plus one joker. If the joker is not pulled, the card is ripped up and thrown away, lessening the # of cards in the deck. If the joker is pulled the accumulated pot is split between the winner and the chapter. The Chapter's Joker Raffle has grown to a pot of \$2030; meaning there could be a winner going home this month with more than \$1015.



Fall 2015 Cal Surveyor

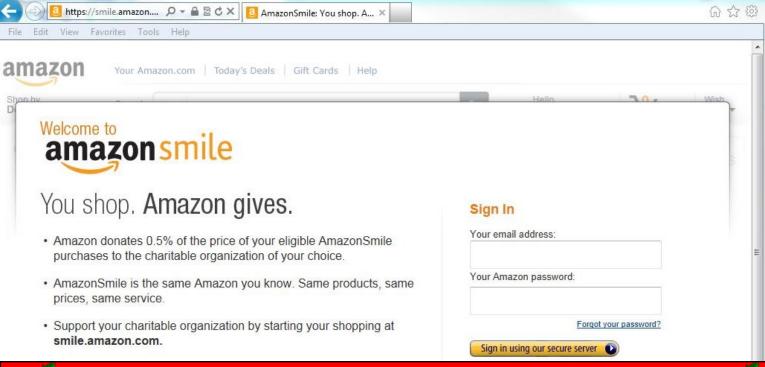


Link: https://www.californiasurveyors.org/calsurveyor/CalSurv182.pdf

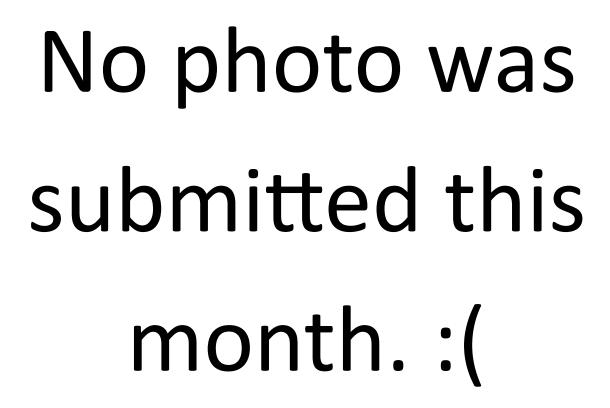


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Photobomb—Photo of the Month Please submit your photos to clsaLA.newsletter@gmail.com





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Student Question of the Month



The first student to email clsaLA.newsletter@gmail.com the correct answer will receive free dinner at the next CLSA LA Chapter meeting.

How far must the top of a fully extended 13.00ft rod deviate from plumb to cause an error of +0.02ft in a 7.00 rod reading.

- (A) 0.23ft
- (B) 0.51ft
- (C) 0.98ft
- (D) 1.06ft



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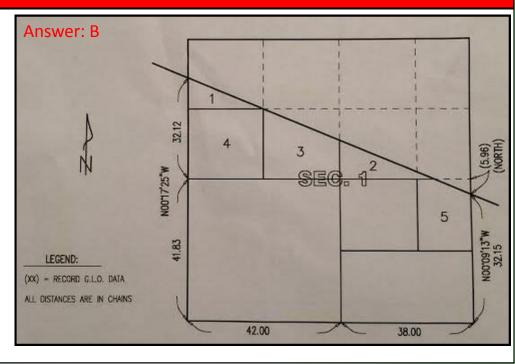
Answers to Last Month's Student Question



Use the exhibit provided to answer the following question.

Calculate the weighted mean bearing of the N-S center line through the fractional section as shown in the exhibit.

- A. N 0 13' 09" W
- B. N 0 13' 19" W
- C. N 0 14' 08" W
- D. N 0 14' 56" W





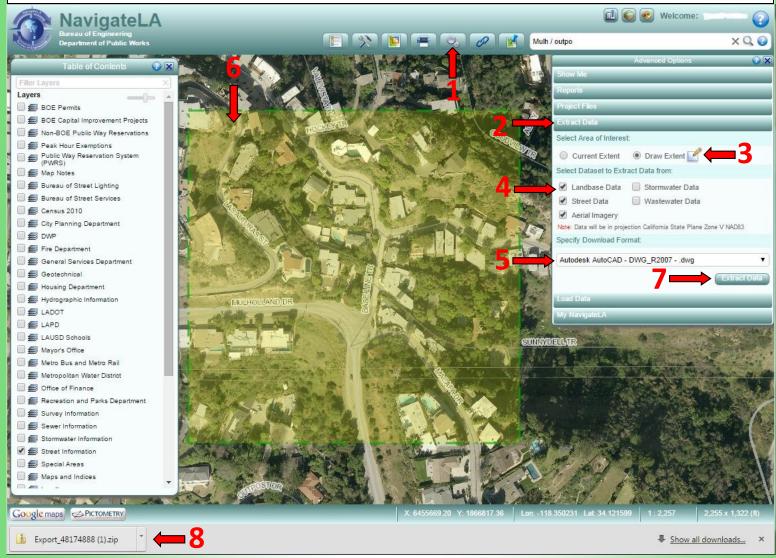
Technology Tip - Extract Data from Nav. LA



Navigate LA is the City of Los Angeles' integrated GIS system where constituents can look-up city infrastructure, centerline notes, sewer/drainage plans, building plans, council districts, street services, etc. One of the great features built into Navigate LA is the ability to extract AutoCAD drawings and shape files of landbase data, street data, sewer & storm water data and aerial imagery.

Below are the 9 steps to extract an AutoCAD dwg file for a desired area:

- 1. Click Advanced Options Icon
- 2. Click Extract Data
- 3. Toggle Draw Extents
- 4. Check Landbase Data and Street Data
- 5. Specify Download Format: For example Autodesk AutoCAD DWG_R2007 -.dwg
- 6. Draw extent by clicking and dragging to desired extent
- 7. Click "Extract Data"
- 8. Open the zip folder in the Download folder
- 9. Copy and paste each attribute into a formatted AutoCAD drawing





The Corner - Employment Opportunities



In an effort to help our fellow surveyors find employment, the newsletter will provide a section for employers to post job openings. If an organization would like to post an advertisement for open positions, please email: CLSALA.Newsletter@gmail.com

• Please keep an eye on the CLSA employment forum for new job openings:

http://clsaforum.californiasurveyors.org/phpbb3/viewforum.php?f=13&sid=371dadc7b9624c772b6e55a5f64f7584



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