MISSION STATEMENT: "The mission of HLSA is to promote high standards of practice and ethical conduct to the betterment of the Land Surveying profession in the State of Hawaii."

2018 Conference: The 2018 HLSA Conference was held on Feb. 15 and 16. Gary Kent gave day long sessions, one day on Easements and Rights of Way, one day on 2016 ALTA standards. There were over 18 breakout sessions. The Installation Banquet also recognized Andy Harada, LPLS, for a Lifetime Achievement award and Joanne Williamson as Surveyor of the Year. A call for committee volunteers for current issues, such as Realtor Outreach and Mapping of Deregistered lands, as well as a proposed committee for an Augmented Reality Sandbox was made at that conference and informal talk story sessions were held to move forward in the upcoming year.

NSPS Dues Increase. HLSA membership voted in favor of supporting a $5-10 NSPS dues increase

Annual Dinner: The HLSA annual dinner meeting, open to all in the Surveying community, was held at Keehi Lagoon Disabled American Veterans Park in October. Over 70 folks were present, the evenings topic was a discussion on Land Court Deregistration. Approx. $400 was raised at event for the NSPS Disaster Relief Fund.

Legislature: The 2017 Hawaii State legislature did not vote on the proposed deregistration legislation, which HLSA strongly opposed. No UAS measures were passed.

Deregistration: HLSA members were presented with a plan to move forward with remapping of deregistered lands into the existing state File Plan system. While this will not be a comprehensive solution to all of the issues that arose with “deregistration” it will be the first phase allowing newly deregistered lands to be mapped, Hawaiian land title reconfirmed and Land Court to be notified. The state land surveyor, local attorney of a prominent Land Title Insurance firm, Land Court Branch chief, and the Honolulu City and County Department of Planning and Permitting branch are in agreement/had no objection with the preliminary plan to move ahead. Plan for 2018 is to propose legislation to amend the Hawaii Revised Statutes for land court Deregistration requirements in 2019.

YOUNG SURVEYORS NETWORK: Represented by Alika Garo, as well as Meyer Cummins and Christina Seto, all members of the HLSA board

Certificate of Licensure: The membership has authorized a revised certificate with an older more official look, the vote was requested by a committee with the state licensing board.