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NEW HAMPSHIRE NSPS FALL MEETING REPORT

The New Hampshire Land Surveyors Association celebrates our 50th Anniversary this year. Planning has been underway for the last 2 years to create a very special Annual Meeting & Equipment Show. The show is set to take place December 5th and 6th 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott Grappone Conference Center in Concord, NH. This event is being planned as a fun and educational event to celebrate 50 years of promoting surveying excellence in the Granite State, and we look forward to all of you that can attend to be a part of this important milestone. The planning began with a logo contest:

All this year our Publications Director, Mark Stevens, has been looking back at the formation of our Association, and reporting on how we were created. Our beginnings closely aligned with State Legislation creating Registered Land Surveyor as a regulated “profession”. The state later changed it to “Licensed” Land Surveyor. It is said that New Hampshire was the last state in the union to recognize the need for a formal designation of our craft. Even so I like to think that the Granite State, through the New Hampshire Land Surveyors Association, has made up for lost time by our numerous contributions to the profession, locally and nationally.

NHLSA has recognized NH Surveyors that have made a significant contribution to the profession over the years, and some have also gone on to receive the NSPS Surveying Excellence Award, to wit:

- **Don Wilson**, distinguished author, was the 1982 Recipient.
- **Robert B. Todd, Sr.** was a longtime New Hampshire representative to NSPS and did significant work on Promotion and Publications, and was the 1986 Recipient. On a personal note his reports on the workings of NSPS inspired me to attend a National ACSM Convention in 1985.
- **Robert G. Moynihan**, Educator to many a NH Surveyor, worked with the CST Program from the beginning, and was the 1987 Recipient.
- **Richard S. Ladd**, who guided the Association from the beginning and gave too many hours to even count as Executive Director and Treasurer for many years, was the 1994 Recipient.
- **John R. Chagnon** (yours truly), worked with Larry Doss to move the Trig Star Program along to a fully functional national program, was the 1999 Recipient.
- **Current NSPS President Elect Mark Sargent** is also one of our members.

Planning initiatives for our 50th celebration include a Bound Book of our history, to include pictures and bios of current members, special 50th swag and other collectables, and extended Annual Meeting reports.

NHLSA continues to monitor Legislative Actions on behalaf of our members, and testify on bills as needed.

NHLSA continues to sponsor Continuing Education of value to our members.

The Association also does many more things that I am remise in reporting….will try to provide more insights in my next report.

Respectfully Submitted, John Chagnon, NSPS Director