Buzz Surrounding 2010 TSPS Convention Builds!

Dynamic Educational Offerings Highlight Annual Meeting

Convention registrations are pouring into the TSPS office as TSPS members and non-members sign-up for the biggest professional event of the year – the TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition.

Slated for Oct. 13-16 in Houston, this year’s annual meeting is the perfect stepping stone as the land surveying profession in Texas marches into a new decade. Hosted by TSPS Gulf Coast Chapter 9, along with the TSPS Convention Committee, this convention is innovative in education lineup, location and entertainment!

Ready to Sign-Up? Go now to www.tsps.org to register online!

Has your membership lapsed? Re-join TSPS today online at http://www.tsps.org/membership-renewal and get your convention registration discount! Also, your renewed membership will count for the rest of 2010 and all of 2011!

Email DougL@tsps.org if you don't have your TSPS member # (needed for convention registration and membership renewal).

Perhaps the Best Education, Speaker & Event Lineup Ever!

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Consensus has it that this is the most unique and interesting education (CEU) lineup ever! Classes include:

1. Surveying Needs in Wetlands Creation
2. Hydrographic Survey in Disaster Response
3. The Delineation of History Through Nautical Archaeology
4. Tree ID (Houston Arboretum)
5. Four Flavors of OPUS
6. GNSS Surveying Technologies for the Future
7. Practical GIS Knowledge
8. Wind Energy: A Surveyor’s Perspective

Read all about the convention inside, and don't wait any longer to register ... you don't want to lose that early registration discount!

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NCEES Reinforces Its Position On Title

During its annual meeting recently in Denver, the NCEES Board passed a motion reinforcing its decision several years ago to endorse the name "Professional Surveyor" as the accepted title for all who have passed the Principles and Practice LS exam, regardless of the state(s) in which licensure is earned. The logic for the position is that the multitude of titles now in use among the various states causes unnecessary confusion for the public in determining the licensing status of surveyors. Additionally, it was noted "Professional Surveyor" connotes to the public a broader field of practice than do titles including the word "Land." — Curt Sumner, ACSM

Implementation Deadlines Set For TSPS Strategic Planning Goals

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Strategic Planning Session Focused On Results As Leadership Seeks To Implement Its Goals

TSPS President-Elect John Watson (right, standing) led several dozen TSPS members, directors, chapter presidents and officers through an implementation session for new and existing TSPS goals.

Utilizing ideas generated from last year’s Strategic Planning session, along with new goals identified by the group, Watson unveiled Aug. 20 in Frisco a software program designed to bring deadlines and accountability into the strategic planning conversation.

Several new teams were organized to shepherd programs and initiatives through to completion. Watch TSPS publications and www.tsps.org for more on these association actions and their implementation.

Also ... you can catch up on all of the TSPS happenings Oct. 14 at the TSPS Annual Meeting in Houston. It will take place from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Learn more about this year’s convention on pages 6-9 of this newsletter and by visiting www.tsps.org.
A common challenge experienced by civil engineering and land surveying firms is coordinating with the various utility operators, facility locators, construction contractors, and municipal authorities throughout the life of any project requiring excavation. Fortunately, there are opportunities to improve job efficiency and significantly reduce risks associated with these projects, simply by taking a seat at the table with other industry leaders.

Every month, or quarterly in some parts of Texas, regional Damage Prevention Council meetings take place where stakeholders discuss ways to improve the process associated with projects requiring excavation. A Damage Prevention Council (DPC) is a member-driven association dedicated to the prevention of damage to underground utilities. Typically comprised of construction contractors, utility operators, One Call, engineering firms, municipalities, utility locators, insurance providers, and other associated industry stakeholders, a DPC meeting provides an optimal forum where stakeholders can share information and perspectives, and then work together on all aspects of damage prevention issues.

The Damage Prevention Councils of Texas were established in 2000 to facilitate communication among the regional DPCs as well as Utility Coordination Councils (UCC) and Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) sub-committees that shared common damage prevention goals. As a result of this organizational effort, the existing entities began to coordinate their respective damage prevention efforts while new DPCs were established in previously unrepresented areas of the State. This same year, the Common Ground Alliance (CGA) was established to continue the damage prevention efforts envisioned by the Common Ground Study. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Transportation and completed in 1999, this Study represents the collaborative work of 160 industry professionals who identified best practices relating to damage prevention, which includes project planning & design. The state level Damage Prevention Councils of Texas and national level CGA are consistently working with industry stakeholders and regulators to produce stronger, more effective results through partnership, collaboration, and the pursuit of common goals in damage prevention. For more information on CGA, go to: www.commongroundalliance.com.

There are currently 13 Damage Prevention Councils active across the State of Texas. The areas covered by these councils include around 85% of the population of the state. In promoting a spirit of shared responsibility, regional DPCs welcome all stakeholders who would like to be a part of the damage prevention solution. As a civil engineering or land surveying firm, you are invited to participate in any of the stakeholder roundtables which meet on a regular basis across Texas.

For access to individual DPC websites and meeting schedules or to find information on establishing a DPC in your area, go to: www.texas811.org.

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– Doug Meeks
## TSPS New Members - July & August, 2010

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Oct. 13-16, 2010

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- Consensus that this is the most unique and interesting education (CEU) lineup ever! See course descriptions in this brochure for more on these education offerings. TBPLS CEU Education Chair Paul Kwan, upon granting approval for 2010 Convention courses, said these were the most interesting and progressive he remembered seeing ... not the usual "stake pounding, boundary survey classics” but exhibited the application of new technologies and approaches that would appeal to the next generation of surveyors as well as seasoned professionals.

- High caliber keynote speaker talent from business/politics, and the entertainment industry
  - A Friday Night Event ... Houston Round-Up ... featuring recording artist Sheila Marshall
  - A first-class host hotel (Westin Galleria), which is attached to the 4th largest shopping center in the country – The Houston Galleria
  - The Best Technology Expo in the Southwest ... and much more!

Explore these pages, then visit www.tsps.org to register now.

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Make Your Westin Galleria Reservation Now

The Westin Galleria Hotel at 5060 W. Alabama, Houston TX 77056 is host hotel in 2010. To get the TSPS discount, reserve your room online at:

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or call 1-866-716-8137... mention “Texas Society of Surveyors Annual Convention” rate. For more info about the hotel, visit:

http://www.westingalleriahoustonhotel.com/

Comedian Don McMillan to Deliver Luncheon Keynote

Don McMillan graduated from Stanford University with a Master’s Degree in Electrical Engineering. He went to work for AT&T Bell Laboratories where he worked as part of the team that designed the world’s first 32-bit Microprocessor.

But with the smarts comes a sense of humor! After winning the 16th Annual San Francisco International Stand-Up Comedy Competition in 1991, Don turned in his chips for a microphone. He went on to be $100,000 Grand Champion on “Star Search” in 1993. He’s had numerous television appearances including “The Tonight Show” on NBC, CNN’s “The Larry King Show”, MTV’s “Half Hour Comedy Hour”, and A&E’s “Evening at the Improv”.

You most likely have seen Don as the star of fifteen national commercials for Budweiser Beer. He plays the Bud delivery guy who mans the “freshness hotline” and protects the world against “skunky” beer. Make sure you don’t miss this great speaker and entertainer ... purchase your luncheon ticket when you register for convention!

(Photo and bio info from http://technicallyfunny.com/)

Welcome Wilson, Sr. to Speak Thursday at Grand Opening

Welcome Wilson, Sr. has lived a full life, and he’ll share some of it with us as Keynote Speaker Thursday at the Convention Grand Opening.

The Grand Opening, at 9 a.m., immediately precedes the TSPS Annual Meeting.

Want to know a little now about Welcome Wilson? 
- LBJ Special Ambassador to Nicaragua (President Somosa) 1966
- With JFK in Houston the night before he was assassinated in 1963
- Eisenhower appointee, five state head of Civil Defense & FEMA 1956
- Witness to atom bomb test in Nevada 1954
- Five children, 16 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren & one wife 1949
- Served in the Executive Office of the President under JFK 1961
- Milked two cows each afternoon before going out on dates 1943
- Chairman of the Board, Homestead Bank of Houston 1970
- Naval officer in Japan serving the National Security Agency 1950
- Local radio station newscaster during World War II 1944
- Friend of original seven astronauts. Alan Shepherd was neighbor 1963
- Hitchhiked 360 miles and back 30 weekends in college to see girlfriend 1946
- Saved friend’s life using CPR 1988 ...

Learn more at the keynote address ... Don’t miss it!
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These friends of TSPS got in early with their 2010 Convention & Technology Exposition Sponsorships. You can join with TSPS and sponsor a speaker, activity or make a cash contribution to the association’s annual event by contacting Executive Director Anne Glasgow at 512-327-7871. Your contribution will be highlighted in marketing materials, TSPS publications, online listings and on-site convention signage. Join with TSPS today by being a TSPS sponsor!

Exhibit Hall booth space is still available ... get in NOW! Go online to www.tsps.org to view available booths in the exhibit hall at the Westin Galleria Hotel. Then make your selection, and call TSPS at 512-327-7871 with your choice. Early exhibit hall deadlines have passed, but we’ve extended your opportunity to showcase your products and services in front of the largest gathering of Texas and Southwest USA surveyors in the country! Get all of your Exhibitor information at www.tsps.org or call the TSPS office at 512-327-7871.

Don’t Miss Your Opportunity!

Reasons to exhibit

- **Expertise** – TSPS Technology Exposition is created for surveying professionals, by surveying professionals.
- **Size** – Largest in Texas and the Southwest!
- **Design** – Event designed to bring buyers and sellers together. Attendees include registered surveyors, civil engineers, surveyors-in-training, and more.
- **Exposure** – Hundreds of surveying professionals in one place!
- **Numbers** – 1,000 Texas surveyors and surveying professionals attended each of the 2001-2006 TSPS conventions. And with the show in Houston in 2010, expect similar numbers this year!
- **Efficiency** – TSPS Exposition is the most effective way to reach current customers and potential prospects.
- **Promotion** – Highly-targeted advertising to draw attendees from across the state and nation.

Woodway Exhibit Hall
(From Westin Galleria website)

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The TSPS Friday Night Events are one of the most anticipated association events of the year ... and 2010's Houston Round-Up may be the best.

TSPS welcomes another recording artist to its Friday event function. **Sheila Marshall and the Sheila Marshall Band** will perform for TSPS convention attendees at Regal Ranch in nearby Stafford (transportation provided from hotel). Dinner included ... just be ready to party!

When you think Sheila Marshall, think “Emmylou Harris, Janis Joplin and Bonnie Raitt”. When the best elements of these legendary singers are combined, you get the powerful musical styling of talented singer-songwriter Sheila Marshall.

Sheila toured extensively across Texas, the US and overseas in support of two albums ... Beautiful for Situation and Makes Perfect Sense. In Feb 2010 Sheila played for US troops in Kuwait and Iraq.

“It’s a life changer, these young men and women are truly heroes, and I have a newfound respect for their sacrifice”.

Sheila’s most current CD titled “What If I Was “ is a soulful project with a country/rock-n-roll vibe. Kyle Cook lead guitarist for Matchbox Twenty produced and co-wrote 5 tracks in Nashville and Sheila finished up the tracks in Houston. Sheila’s songs represent a collection of music that portrays who she is: sincere, passionate and fearless. “Brand New Day” a cut off the CD will be featured in the motion picture “A Fine Step” with Luke Perry and Armand Assante. Her first Single “I Ain’t Yo Baby” a female anthem made it to #20 on the Texas charts. Sheila released her 2nd single “What If I Was” this past summer.

“Sheila Marshall will send chills down the spine of anyone who loves to see and hear great music” ~ Bill Kohen (Washington Avenue Review)

(Photos and bio information from http://www.sheilamarshallmusic.com. Visit the site for more information about Sheila Marshall and to hear a sample of her music.)

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**TSPS Auxiliary**

No one has a better time at the Annual TSPS Convention than the association’s Auxiliary. And 2010 is no exception ... see their packed schedule of events below.

**October 13, 2010**
3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**
Registration
TSPSA Open House

**October 14, 2010**
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

**Thursday**
Registration
Coffee/tea/pastries in Auxiliary President’s suite

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**YOGA LESSON**
Yoga offers many health benefits such as flexibility, strength, posture, breathing, less stress-more calm, concentration and mood, improved circulation and heart benefits.

Join us as the instructor gives us a lesson in the basics of yoga.

Juice, fruit and yogurt will be available.

**AFTERNOON**
On your own for lunch and to shop/explore the hundreds of stores the Galleria has to offer.

**October 15, 2010**
7:00 a.m.-5:00 pm.
8:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

**Friday**
Registration
“Friendship” Breakfast
Come and make new friends and reconnect with old friends while we enjoy delicious breakfast tacos.

10:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Downtown Aquarium**
The bus ride will be short but lots of FUN! Upon arriving at the Downtown Aquarium, attendees will have approximately 2 hours to view the inside exhibits, the outside exhibits and the rides before we eat lunch. (Wear comfortable shoes).

Meet at the *Aquarium Restaurant* for food and fun. After lunch, we will have one hour to conclude our visit to the Downtown Aquarium to finish viewing the exhibits or visit the gift shop.

Load the bus and depart for the Hotel. (If everyone is ready to depart earlier, we will do so.)

**Saturday**
Registration
Annual Business Meeting Lunch
Dress in your western clothes (or whatever you are comfortable in) and get ready to enjoy some boot-scootin’ entertainment. We will begin our annual business meeting at 10:00 am, eat lunch at 11:30 am, and then enjoy our entertainment and wrap up with door prizes.

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October 16, 2010
8:00 a.m.-12 noon
10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

**Event and Auxiliary membership/dues prices on registration form included in this brochure. Contact Kim Hodde at KHodde@ci.brenham.tx.us for more TSPSA information.**
What's the best way to register for 2010 Convention?
Read over the course and event descriptions below (and the Ladies Auxiliary activities on the previous page) ... then go to http://www.tsps.org and register online!

Forgot your TSPS Member No.? (needed to receive your TSPS convention discount)
Just email DougL@tsps.org to get your number and get registered today!
You can also fill out the registration form on the next page and fax to 512-327-7872!

Events & Sessions

October 13  Wednesday
3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  Registration – Westin Galleria Hotel
10:00 a.m.  TopGun (handgun) Competition
Get ready for a first-ever TSPS Topgun (handgun) competition. A brief safety presentation by Top Gun staff, and a competition Course of Fire explanation will be given. Shooters will enter the shooting lanes and give it their best shot. Top 3 shooters will be recognized. Bring your own handgun of any caliber. Ammo will not be provided. Top Gun Handgun and Shooting Center has a full service retail store which sells ammunition and accessories and will rent firearms for $10. Start time is 10:00 a.m. – Leave hotel at 9:15 a.m.
11:00 a.m.  Annual Golf Tournament
This 4-man scramble at Hermann Park Golf Course is open to TSPS members and exhibitors. Cost per player is $80, which includes: green fee, cart, range balls, scoreboard and tally. Also includes a box lunch (with one non-alcoholic beverage). Shot gun start at 11:00 a.m. – leave hotel at 9:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  Past Presidents’ Reception and Dinner
(Past Presidents Only)
8:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m.  TSPSA Open House
Cocktails & snacks. All TSPS/TSPSA members and guests are invited ... hosted by Texas Society of Professional Surveyors Auxiliary.

October 14  Thursday
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  Registration – Westin Galleria Hotel
8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.  Board of Directors Meeting
9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  Grand Opening and Keynote Address
Welcome Wilson, Sr. will deliver the Grand Opening Keynote Address to members.
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  Annual TSPS Business Meeting
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.  Nominating Committee Meeting
5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.  Chapter Presidents Orientation
This gathering is a MUST for incoming and outgoing Chapter Presidents to learn the ropes. Get the latest information about your relationship to the TSPS state board, reporting requirements, updates on hot topics and more. Join us for this important learning opportunity.
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  TSPS Open House – President’s Reception
Icebreaker reception hosted by TSPS President, Alan McLain

October 15  Friday
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Registration – Westin Galleria Hotel
8:00 a.m. – 12 noon  CONCURRENT SESSIONS
Surveying Needs in Wetland Creation  - Georganna Collins
This course will use case studies from projects that illustrate how surveying is an integral component for various natural ecosystem creation projects which include stormwater detention basins, river and streams, and marsh complexes. Attendees will: learn how to hit/survey a target elevation using hydraulically dredged material for intertidal marsh creation; understand Wetland Construction and post-construction surveying needs; and much more. (4 CEUs)
Hydrographic Survey in Disaster Response  - Scott Hiller
Class attendees will learn about high quality hydrographic survey, technology, methodology, strengths and short comings in this field; survey response (methods, problems, workarounds) to hurricanes Dolly, Eduard, Gustave and Ike; the effects of the Chilean earthquake on a hydrographic survey which spanned pre and post-earthquake; and more. (4 CEUs)
The Delineation of History through Nautical Archaeology  - Peter Fix
Nautical and maritime archaeology depends upon the successful application of survey and delineation methods to record the context in which artifacts or features are discovered. Attendees will learn how archaeological discoveries have aided in the interpretation of history, and detail the survey methods employed to obtain a high level of recording accuracy at the archaeological site and in the laboratory. (4 CEUs)

October 16  Saturday
6:30 a.m. – 12 noon  Registration – Westin Galleria Hotel
7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  CONCURRENT SESSIONS
Tree ID (Houston Arboretum) - Joe Blanton
In Tree ID 101 you will become familiar with and comfortable using a field guide to identify 20 of the most common tree species encountered in Texas. The class will include indoors learning of the parts of a life along with descriptions then outdoors on the trails of the Houston Arboretum where learners will gain practical experience identifying actual living specimens. (Max 24 in class) (4 CEUs)
Four Flavors of OPUS - Dan Prouty
Attendees will be instructed in the use of NGS’s online OPUS products: OPUS-S, OPUS-RS, OPUS-DB and OPUS-Projects. The students will be shown how to access the online programs, prepare data for submission, how to enter and submit data, and how to interpret the quality of the results. Attendees will be provided handouts documenting step by step instruction for using all of the OPUS products. (4 CEUs)
GNSS Surveying Technologies for the Future  - Knute Berstis
The course will cover the structure of the National Coordination Office and the mechanisms for implementing GPS coordination among stakeholders. The next module will be an examination of how GPS performs in a physically impeded environment and possible methods to make this a more robust application in the future. The last module will describe new technologies that may be of interest to surveyors and geodesists looking ahead to 2025. (4 CEUs)
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  Attendee Luncheon in Exhibit Hall
Badges required for admission!!

October 17  Sunday
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  CONCURRENT SESSIONS
Wind Energy: A Surveyor’s Perspective  - John Watson, RPLS; and Tom Davies, attorney
Attendees of this new course will receive a review of the wind energy industry in Texas, hear the GLO’s perspective of wind energy in Texas and discuss possible future development in the state. (4 CEUs)
7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.  Annual TSPS Awards Gala
Join us as we celebrate the past year in Texas Surveying and hand out awards to deserving TSPS members.

October 18  Monday
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  CONCURRENT SESSIONS
Tree ID (Houston Arboretum) - Joe Blanton
(Repeat of morning session)
In Tree ID 101 you will become familiar with and comfortable using a field guide to identify 20 of the most common tree species encountered in Texas. The class will include indoors learning of the parts of a life along with descriptions then outdoors on the trails of the Houston Arboretum where learners will gain practical experience identifying actual living specimens. (Max 24 in class) (4 CEUs)
Practical GIS Knowledge - Rick Smith
One of GIS’s strengths is its ability to quickly ingest heterogeneous data from multiple data sources. This course will discuss spatial data quality, visualization techniques and use of GIS and data in a survey office. (4 CEUs)

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Register for classes online at www.tsps.org Room reservations with TSPS discount at http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/tsj11

Attendee Information (One form per attendee. Please print or type.)

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TSPS Member# _____________________ (required for member discount)  RPLS# __________ PE# __________

Name (first) ___________________ (mi) ____ (last) ____________________ (firm name) ______________________

Address __________________________________________ City ___________________________ State _____ Zip ________

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Auxiliary Member Name (first) ______________________________________ (last) __________________________________________

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- 10:00 a.m. TopGun (handgun) Competition
- 11:00 a.m. Golf Tournament

Thursday, Oct. 14, 2010

- 5:00 p.m. Chapter Presidents Orientation

Friday, Oct. 15, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. **Surveying Needs in Wetlands Creation (4 CEUs)
- 8:00 a.m. Hydrographic Survey in Disaster Response (4 CEUs)
- 8:00 a.m. The Delineation of History Through Nautical Archaeology (4 CEUs)
- 12:30 p.m. TSPS Annual Luncheon
- 1:30 p.m. Tree ID (Houston Arboretum) (4 CEUs)
- 1:30 p.m. **Four Flavors of OPUS (4 CEUs)
- 1:30 p.m. GNSS Surveying Technologies for the Future (4 CEUs)
- 1:30 p.m. **Practical GIS Knowledge (4 CEUs)
- 1:30 p.m. Wind Energy: A Surveyor’s Perspective (4 CEUs)

Paraprofessionals must pay an additional $50 per course NOT marked with **

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2010

- 7:30 a.m. Tree ID (Houston Arboretum) (4 CEUs)
- 7:30 a.m. **Four Flavors of OPUS (4 CEUs)
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- 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Annual Business Mtg. & Luncheon

Auxiliary & Registration Fees

- Auxiliary Annual Membership Dues (required for Auxiliary Events)
- Auxiliary Registration (includes Exhibit Hall admission)

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AUXILIARY Total = _______

ATTENDEE Total = _______

____ No. of Tickets __ @ ............ 50 ea     = _________

7:00 p.m. TSPS Awards Gala

No. of Tickets __ @ ............. 60 ea     = _________

Mail or fax this form to:
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Phone: 512-327-7871  Fax: 512-327-7872
or register online at: www.tsps.org
Registryed Professional Land Surveyor

Registered Professional Land Surveyor for our Sugarland TX facility. This position is responsible for administering surveying activities which include oversight of manpower, technical resources, and client communication for multiple projects. 5 years experience in Oil/Gas exploration and pipeline. Also, proficient in AutoCAD, and GIS. RPLS registration in TX and LA preferred.

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Fenstermaker & Associates is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions in Laredo, TX and/or San Antonio, TX:

Party Chief
Coordinates and supervises the activities of crew personnel (Instrumentman & Rodman). Requirements include: High School Diploma or GED and a minimum of 1 year of Instrumentman experience; higher education level may substitute for some experience. Management experience a plus!

Instrumentman
Operates the equipment used for surveying under the supervision of a Party Chief. Requirements include: High School Diploma or GED and a minimum of 3-6 months relevant experience/training. Training must include formal survey instrument training.

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Assists in the daily surveying activities under the supervision of a Party Chief. Requirements include: High School diploma or GED and basic reading/writing skills.

Submit resume along with indication of desired job location to: Fenstermaker, 135 Regency Square, Lafayette LA 70508
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RPLS, SURVEYING TECHNICIANS, PARTY CHIEFS, AND INSTRUMENT OPERATORS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

A North Texas firm located in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, is looking for strong candidates for positions for the following types of projects: Oil & gas unit surveys and well permit plats, Pipeline surveys, topographic design surveys, Boundary surveys including TSPS Category 1A and ALTA/ACSM Surveys. We are actively searching to fill the following positions:

Registered Professional Land Surveyor (Project Manager) – Texas registration required, Louisiana registration a plus. Must have oil & gas and pipeline experience. Projects are state-wide and some travel is required. RPLS must have at least 5 years of oil & gas experience to be considered for this position.

The more successful candidate will have experience with Autodesk Map 3d, Carlson Design (SurvCADD), Leica Geo Office, Corpcon, ESRI ArcGIS 9.3 and above, and Microsoft Office products including but not limited to Word and Excel.

Duties will include managing and directing Field Crews, and Surveying Technicians in the collection and calculation of data. RPLS will analyze data and make boundary determinations. In addition, RPLS will direct Field Crews and Surveying Technicians in the production of final plats descriptions, and alignment sheets. All final work will be subject to principal review.

Surveying Technician – must possess the following abilities: to understand and process surveying field data, to assist Registered Professional Surveyor with land boundary analysis, to prepare a plat and field note descriptions, easement exhibits, pipeline alignment sheets, well permit plats, lease surveys, etc. SIT registration is a plus. The more successful candidate will have experience with Autodesk Map 3d, Carlson Design (SurvCADD), Leica Geo Office, Corpcon, ESRI ArcGIS 9.3 and above, and Microsoft Office products including but not limited to Word and Excel or their equivalents. Bachelor’s Degree of Associate’s Degree or in surveying or an associated field is preferred.

Party Chief – must possess the following abilities: to manage a field crew, read and interpret working sketches, to collect data in an organized, neat and professional manner. Must be able to operate Leica GPS Receivers using on-board programs, Total Stations and data collectors with SurvCE software. Will be expected to upload and download surveying data. Must have good oral and written communication skills and must be able to communicate well with other team members. Must have at least 5 years experience as a party chief. SIT registration is a plus. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Instrument Operator – must have ability to run Leica GPS receivers using on-board programs, total stations, data collectors with Carlson SurvCE. Must be able to work well in a team environment. The successful candidate will have at least 3 years experience. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent.

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Fast Growing Land Surveying Firm needs RPLS for its Plano location & experienced Crew Chief for its Houston location – Immediate Openings with Competitive salary, paid PTO and holidays, medical, dental, life, short term disability. All replies held in strictest confidence. Email Resume to: surveyingcareers@yahoo.com

TWO POSITIONING SPECIALISTS REPS

Our Company:
GeoShack will be the leading distributor of leveling, alignment, measurement, guidance and grade control solutions to the Construction, Survey, Machine Control and Agricultural markets in North America by providing our customers with a “total solution” of quality products and services to
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meet their needs and create better career opportunities for our employees.

**Job Description:**
We are ready to hire two motivated, hard working, driven sales professionals as Positioning Specialists in
1. territory covering North East Texas based in Dallas or
2. territory covering North West Texas based in Fort Worth.
In this position you will be responsible for calling on construction contractors, surveying firms, governmental entities and utilities gathering information about customer needs, presenting GeoShack solutions, and closing the sale.

You will be selling Topcon and Sokkia brands of GPS, surveying instruments, robotic total stations, construction lasers, GIS, 2D machine control equipment and software. This position will require you to be driven, self-motivated and goal oriented. You must be willing to receive guidance and direction as you are the primary link to our current and prospective clients. You are expected to provide excellent customer service after the sale (training, support, jobsite pickup and delivery of repairs whenever possible). You are expected to attend monthly sales meetings and provide weekly sales updates to your Business Sales Manager.

GeoShack will assist you in various ways: from advertising to promotions, from prospecting to training and continued support. We will help you achieve your goals.

**Qualifications:**
The successful candidate will possess:

1. Minimum 2-5 years sales experience.
2. Exceptional organizational and communication skills
3. Strong achievement drive
4. Must be computer literate
5. Prefer knowledge of construction or survey industry.
6. Willingness to learn about the products we sell.
7. Positive, sales-oriented personality.
9. Prefer Bachelor’s Degree or equivalent.

**Benefits:**
Competitive Salary
• Medical
• 401(k) Retirement Plan
• Life Insurance
• Short/long term disability insurance
• PTO policy

Please send resume to: surveyingcareers@yahoo.com

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North Texas surveying firm, retiring after 36 years, will assist in transition, Owner will finance, Building, truck, Topcon GPS, 2 (two) total stations, ALL field and office equipment, walk in and start working.
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Applicants must have 1-2 years experience in topographic surveys, alta and boundary surveys, and some construction staking experience.

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Land Surveying Firm seeking experienced Survey Technician for immediate FT employment in Granbury, TX office. Must have HS Diploma or GED equivalent; supplemented by 2 yrs. related technical or college training in drafting, computer- Aided-Design, oil & gas related surveying or closely related field or combination experience. Pipeline experience is a plus. Must successfully pass drug screening. Competitive salary, bonuses, paid PTO and holidays, medical, dental, life, short term disability and 401K. Must be self-motivated & able to work in a fast-paced environment. Submit resume via e-mail to: GRAadmin@topographic.com

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Naismith Marine Services, a growing hydrographic survey company seeks reliable, self motivated individuals who are comfortable working in a marine environment. Please send resume to info@naismithmarine.com.

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Coming Events

SEPTEMBER

September 9-11  Locating Original Corners Seminar
Concan, Texas
16 CEUs
CLASS SOLD OUT

OCTOBER

October 13-16  59th Annual TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition
Westin Galleria Houston Hotel
5060 West Alabama
Houston, TX 77056
713-960-8100
Registration Information at www.tsps.org

DECEMBER

December 4  TSPS DECEMBER SEMINARS – LAST-MINUTE CEUs
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Instructor: James B. Gillis
Omni Southpark Austin
4140 Governors Row
Austin TX 78744
Room Rate – $95
Call 512-448-2222 for reservations (TSPS discount rate ends 11-18-2010)
8 CEUs

TBPLS Professional & Technical Standards
Instructor: Ken Gold
DoubleTree Club Hotel - Dallas Farmers Branch (near DFW Airport and Las Colinas)
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Dallas TX 75234
Room Rate - $99
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Registration Information for both locations TBA

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