TSPS Chapters Make Things Happen in Local Communities

East Texas Chapter 4 Makes Splash with Scouts

The call went out from the Boy Scouts for help with the Surveying Merit Badge (Sept. 17). Dempsey Hannah sent a blanket email out to the members of TSPS Chapter 4 and it didn’t take long for a positive response. Mike Russell, Corey Wilson, and Stuart Warnock answered the call and the planning began.

Surveying equipment was gathered, along with some hand tools and simple drafting supplies. A mock tract of land was set-up the Friday evening before and traversed with a compass and chain. At 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning, our volunteers sat down to a complimentary breakfast, and discussed the plan for the day. By 9:00 a.m. they were off to the races with 7 Boy Scouts. The morning began with instructions about the project and the equipment that would be used to survey around the mock tract. Each scout got some hands on... (Story and photos courtesy of Corey Wilson)

Surveyors Get Vocal About GPS

Members of East Texas Chapter 4 and Tyler Junior College students took to the streets of Tyler Thursday morning, Sept 22, to bring attention to the ongoing battle between communications giant LightSquared and the GPS industry. Tyler's KETK (NBC) was on hand and compiled the following report for their evening news program:


You can keep up with all LightSquared-related news at the TSPS website and at http://www.SaveOurGPS.org.
2011 TSPS Standouts Honored, Momentum for 2012 Established

The 60th TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition Oct. 5-8 in Frisco, Texas was a huge success with around 750 total attendees taking part in educational sessions, the tech expo, TSPS business meetings and social events.

Results of the election for 2011-2012 Officers and Directors were announced. Taking office are:

**PRESIDENT** - Wm. Davey Edwards, Decatur  
**PRESIDENT-ELECT** - Curtis Strong, Bryan  
**VICE PRESIDENT** - Shane Neally, Tyler  
**SECRETARY/TREASURER** - Abbott (Al) L. Hargraves, Jr., Lufkin  
**DIRECTORS** (serving 3-year terms)  
Richard C. (Craig) Alderman, Midland  
Walter J (Joe) Breaux, Beaumont  
Jamie B. Gillis, Arlington  
Douglas W. Turner, League City

TSPS also handed out awards at its annual gala on Oct. 8 at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Winners included (see Award Winners at right):

**HUGH L. GEORGE MEMORIAL AWARD** - John Pierce

**SURVEYOR OF THE YEAR** (co-winners) - Joe Higle and Aubrey (Butch) Holland

**YOUNG SURVEYOR OF THE YEAR** - Jamie Gillis

**GEOSPATIAL PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR** - Jack Avis

**CHAPTER PRESIDENT OF THE YEAR** - John Barnard (Capital Area Chapter 13)

**PRESIDENTIAL AWARD WINNERS:**  
Shane Neally, Laura Crook, Dean Van Matre, Chris Freeman, Ivy Young, Ronnie Parker

To view more photos from this year's event, visit our Facebook page at [http://www.facebook.com/TSPS.org](http://www.facebook.com/TSPS.org), and look for more from the 60th Convention & Technology Exposition in the November-December issue of The Texas Surveyor.

Make a Difference in 2012!

A new year brings new opportunities for TSPS members. Involvement and service at the local chapter level will benefit you in both personal and professional ways, as well as advance the land surveying profession in your community. Contributing your expertise ... and just as important, your time and efforts ... at the state level in one of many TSPS committees, brings professional enrichment and satisfaction for making an impact at the state level.

Please see new TSPS committee chairs and TSPS chapters leaders listed on pages 5 and 6 in this issue of the Metes and Bounds newsletter. Contact these leaders and find out where you can you can Make a Difference in 2012!
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to set up the total station, turn angles and shoot a
distance, but each scout got a chance to try.

Later in the afternoon, we went to the lodge to
calculate the traverse closure. The scouts closed
their traverse to about 1/10th in 500’+-, not bad
for a first try. The group also discussed educa-
tion requirements, careers in surveying, Surveyor
Registration, GPS, GIS, and a few stories about
interesting projects from the past.

Corey Wilson, R.P.L.S. 5833
President, TSPS Chapter 4

Attached is a nice report from Chapter 4 members who recently conducted a Community Outreach
activity with local Boy Scouts in the Tyler area to earn their Surveying Merit Badge. I thought you
might consider sharing this with the general membership. I know Chapter 2 and Chapter 18 con-
ducted similar activities this past year, and many of our Chapters have done so over the years. This
is another example of how our local Chapters and members can connect with their communities in
a positive way, and share our profession with others. Having conducted the Surveying Merit Badge
activity myself, I often came away feeling I may have gotten more out of sharing my time with the
young men than they got from me...certainly a win win situation.

There are a variety of public relations activities that members and Chapters may undertake through-
out the year, and offering to conduct the Surveying Merit Badge activity with a local Scout group is
definitely a very worthwhile undertaking. Hats off to the volunteers involved here, who represent all
Surveyors in this community outreach. – Chris Freeman, TSPS Public Relations Chair (2011)
2011-2012 TSPS Committee Chairs

Following are the new Division and Committee Chairs as appointed by TSPS President Davey Edwards. Opportunities to serve and make a difference in TSPS and the surveying community exist on TSPS committees ... please contact the TSPS office if you wish to be a member of one of the following working groups.

TSPS Standing Committees

1. Budget & Finance
   Chairperson: Al Hargraves
   General Land Office: Mark Neugebauer
   Real Estate: Dennis Walker
   Real Estate of State Bar: Mark Hanna
   TSFI Liaison: Shane Nealy
   TxDOT: Chris Freeman
   (8.) TBPLS (Registration Practices): Jerry Goodson
   TLTA: TBD

2. Education
   Chairperson: Jim Gillis
   Division 2 Education: Shane Nealy
   Course & Speaker Development: Jim Gillis
   Symposium & Seminars: Craig Alderman
   On-line/Distance Learning: Chester Varner
   Certification: Jeffrey Echt
   SIT/RPLS Study Groups: Joe Webber, Jr.
   Convention: TBD

3. Convention
   Chairperson: TBD
   Convention: TBD

4. Ethics
   Chairperson: David McDow
   Ethics: David McDow
   Course & Speaker Development: David McDow
   Symposium & Seminars: David McDow
   On-line/Distance Learning: David McDow
   Certification: David McDow
   SIT/RPLS Study Groups: (TBD by Committee Chair)
   Convention: (moved to PR)

5. Membership
   Chairperson: Bill Merten
   Convention: TBD
   (3.) Convention: TBD

6. Nominating
   Chairperson: John Watson
   Nominating: John Watson

7. Public Relations
   Chairperson: Jamie Gillis
   Public Relations: Jamie Gillis
   -Skills USA: Bill Coleman
   -University Advisory: Nijaz Karacic
   -Trig*Star: Abner Martinez
   -High School Program Prep: Bill Coleman
   Convention: TBD

8. Registration Practices/TBPLS
   Chairperson: Jerry Goodson
   TBPLS (Registration Practices): Jerry Goodson
   General Land Office: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   Real Estate: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   Real Estate of State Bar: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   TSFI Liaison: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   GIS: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   TxDOT: Move 2 Soc. Affairs
   TLTA: Move 2 Soc. Affairs

9. Tellers
   Chairperson: Michael Parker
   Tellers: Michael Parker
   Convention: TBD
   (9.) Tellers: TBD

10. Governmental Affairs
    Chairperson: Mickey Nowell
    Governmental Affairs: Mickey Nowell
    Convention: TBD
    (10.) Governmental Affairs: TBD

11. Executive
    Chairperson: Davey Edwards
    Executive: Davey Edwards
    Convention: TBD
    (11.) Executive: TBD

12. Standards
    Chairperson: John Benard
    Standards: John Benard

13. Awards
    Chairperson: Paul Carey
    Awards: Paul Carey
    Convention: TBD

Division 1 Society Affairs

(4.) Ethics
   Chairperson: Curtis Strong
   Ethics: Curtis Strong
   -Skills USA: David McDow
   -University Advisory: Jamie Gillis
   -Trig*Star: Bill Coleman
   -High School Program Prep: Nijaz Karacic

(7.) Public Relations
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   -Skills USA: Jamie Gillis
   -University Advisory: Bill Coleman
   -Trig*Star: Nijaz Karacic
   -High School Program Prep: Abner Martinez

(10.) Governmental Affairs
    Chairperson: Curtis Strong
    Governmental Affairs: Curtis Strong
    -Skills USA: John Bennard
    -University Advisory: Shane Nealy
    -Trig*Star: Chris Freeman
    -High School Program Prep: Dempsey Hannah

(12.) Standards
    Chairperson: Curtis Strong
    Standards: Curtis Strong
    -North Area Representative: Chester Varner
    -East Area Representative: Craig Alderman
    -South Area Representative: David McDow
    -West Area Representative: David McDow
    -Central Area Representative: David McDow

LIAISON Committee

SURPAC: David McDow
ACSM/NSPS: Pat Smith

Division 2 Education

(2.) Education
   Division 2 Education: Shane Nealy
   Course & Speaker Development: Jim Gillis
   Symposium & Seminars: Craig Alderman
   On-line/Distance Learning: Chester Varner
   Certification: Jeffrey Echt
   SIT/RPLS Study Groups: Joe Webber, Jr.
   Convention: TBD

Division 3 Members Scvcs

Chairperson: John Watson
   Members Scvcs: John Watson
   -Publications: Lynn Savory
   -Product Sales: TBD
   -Safety: Joe Breaux
   -Past Presidents: Paul Carey
   -Fellow: Bill Merten
   -Historical: Jack Avis
   -Alumni: John Watson

Division 4 Admin. Affairs

Chairperson: Al Hargraves
   Admin. Affairs: Al Hargraves
   -Budget & Finance: Al Hargraves
   -Sound & Video: Joe Higle
   -Constitution & Bylaws: Al Hargraves
   -Historical: Al Hargraves
   -Technology: Don King
   -Presidential Advisor: John Watson
   -Task Force: Constitution & By-Laws: John Watson
   -Task Force: TBPLS Rules Review: Garey Gilley/Ben Thomson
   -Task Force: TBPLS Degree Option: Dr. Stacy Lyle
   -Task Force: TSPS Demographic Study: Maxey Sheppard

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Change to Dec. 3 Austin Seminar

The Art of Topographic Surveys
Instructor: George Forbis-Stokes

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TSPS offers you an opportunity in **Austin or Houston on December 3 to earn 8 CEUs for 2011

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Late Registration: $240 – Members $340 – Non-members

**AUSTIN -- “The Art of Topographic Surveys”
George Forbis-Stokes
Saturday, December 3, 2011, 8:00AM-5:00PM
Omni Austin Southpark Hotel (discount rate Friday only, cut-off date 11/10)

OR

HOUSTON -- “An Expedition through the Act & Rules”
Paul Carey, LSLS, RPLS and Joe Breaux, RPLS
And the “RPLS Boundary Retracement Course”
Paul Carey, LSLS, RPLS
Saturday, December 3, 2011, 8:00AM-5:00PM
Crowne Plaza Houston Northwest Hotel (discount rate cut-off date 11/10, but call and ask if still available or for BEST rate available)

**Brochure does not reflect topic change for Austin seminar – it follows:
The Art of Topographic Surveys
This course will examine the skills utilized in representing physical features on a map. By defining mapping categories, and terms, we will establish a common language for use during the course. Attendees will list various types of surveys that require the same mapping skills as the standard topographic survey. Attendees will evaluate survey equipment, and associated technologies, for collecting field data. We will practice communication techniques to help insure that we provide what the client needs. Attendees will identify drawing attributes that will provide the clearest mental picture of physical features on a map. By the end of this course, attendees will be able to effectively communicate with their client, choose the best survey tools for the job, and deliver a final product that will satisfy their client’s needs.
Chapter Reports (Quarterly & Annual Reports)

(Following are Chapter Report for the Fourth Quarter, as well as some Annual Reports... all submitted prior to the Oct. 6 Annual Business Meeting at 2011 Convention in Frisco, Texas.)

North Central Texas Chapter 2

Election Results are:
- President - Stuart Smith
- 1st VP - Jamie Gillis
- 2nd VP - Chris Blevins
- Secretary/Treasurer - Jeff Echt
- Directors - TBD (Carry Over Directors are Susan Steward and Jim Davies)
- Committee Chairs - Jamie Gillis (Program & Membership), John Nall (Education), Theron Sims (Public Relations), Shaun Piepkorn (SkillsUSA) and Jeff Echt (Website)

East Texas Chapter 4

New officers for 2011-2012 are:
- President - Corey Wilson
- 1st VP - James Crawford
- 2nd VP - Sean Spray
- Secretary/Treasurer - Mike Russell
- Directors - Bob Peyton, Billy Murphee, Casey Jordan, Bill Cease, Steven Freeman, Bill Burton,
- Chapter Representative - Shane Neally

We held a joint meeting with Chapter 23. TSPS President Davey Edwards installed officers from Chapters at this meeting. Thirty members and spouses were in attendance.

Dallas Chapter 5 (www.tsps.org/chapters/Chap5.pdf)
   (Elections - www.tsps.org/chapters/Chap5elect.pdf)

Deep East Texas Chapter 6 (pdf)
(www.tsps.org/chapters/chap6.pdf)

North Texas Chapter 7

Chapter 7 held no meetings this quarter.

Permian Basin Chapter 10

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:-

- July 14, 2011, The TSPS Permian Basin Chapter 10 had its monthly business meeting. Also Michael Evans was our guest speaker, he discussed alternatives to the legislation defeated in the Spring 2011
- August 5-6, 2011, The TSPS Permian Basin Chapter 10 participated in the annual seminar and golf tournament at Ruidoso, NM with the New Mexico TSPS Llano Estacado Chapter
- September 15, 2011, Chapter 10 had its monthly business meeting at Michael’s Charcoal Grill in Midland Texas. It was decided to send 2 students to State convention with money raised in Ruidoso. Also discussed approaching smaller school districts about the Odessa College Surveying and mapping Program. In addition, setting a monument at the Texas / New Mexico corner for Surveyor’s week 2012 was discussed.

Alamo Chapter 11

Chapter Business Meeting
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2011 AT PIONEER BEACH RESORT PORT ARANSAS, TEXAS.
Mixer and Team Captain’s Meeting will be on Friday, September 16th, BYOB and Hamburgers provided by G4 Spatial Technologies from 7:00pm until 9:00pm. Fishing starts Saturday at 6:00am and weigh-in is from 2:00pm until 5:00pm. Dinner and award presentation will be Saturday, September 17th, BYOB and dinner will be catered to begin approximately at 6:00pm.

Chapter Business Meeting
Chapter Induction Dinner
Thursday, September 29, 2011
Nich’a’s Restaurant
San Antonio, TX

Respectfully submitted by,
Joel Johnson, RPLS
TSPS Alamo Chapter 11 President

Coastal Bend Chapter 12

TSPS AUGUST 2011 Minutes
Dos Comales Banquet Room
227 North Water Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401

Xavier read the minutes from JULY 2011 meeting
Present Board: President Xavier Sandoval, VP Sergio Canales, Russell Ochs

Michael Evans, RPLS, LLSL, from TSPS board gave a presentation about TSPS, including information about the number of people in TSPS, their categories and the benefits of being a member and the legislative session.

Also the future of TBPLS going into the next legislative session (ie Sunset Act). He opened the floor to suggestions about what we would like to see in TSPS, also in how we could raise our numbers.

Skeet shoot committee headed by, VP Sergio Canales is working on details have been ironed out. It will take place on September 17th at 9am. Skeet shoot application form is on the CH12 TSPS website.

Chapter Elections will take place, we need nominations by end of September, a vote will take place before October 20th (next scheduled meeting) and will also be inducted on that date.

Capital Area Chapter 13

New Officers and Directors for the coming year are:
- President - Jason Ward
- VP - Steven Duarte
- Secretary/Treasurer - Garrett Thomson

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Directors - Clark Daniel, Tom Watkins and Bryan Newsome (2nd Year Director Vacancy to be determined)

Regular Membership Meeting:
Chapter 13 has had two regular meetings during this quarter, held on the third Thursday of each month.
August 18, 2011 – The August Chapter meeting was held at the Catfish Parlour in Austin with approximately 35 members in attendance. Mr. Terry Nygaard, RPLS, with the Lower Colorado River Authority gave a presentation on the status of the LightSquared testing and conflict with GPS issue currently being evaluated by the FCC. Chapter representatives also had a Q&A about the upcoming Strategic Planning and Board Meeting.

September 22, 2011 (4th Thursday) – The September meeting will be the Officer Installation meeting at the County Line BBQ.

Executive Committee Meetings
August 3, 2011 – The August 2011 Executive Committee meeting was held at the Opal Divine’s with eight TSPS members present.

Executive Committee Members attending were:
John Barnard, President
Dave Klotz, 1st Vice President
Jason Ward, 2nd Vice President
Dana Schaetter, Secretary/Treasurer
Garrett Thompson, Director
Steven Duarte, Director
David McDow

John Barnard called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M. The group reviewed the July minutes; some minor recording errors were addressed and corrected. David McDow moved to approve the July minutes, Dave Klotz seconded the motion.

We then discussed old business. The first order of business was to verify the next few months’ luncheon programs. August was slated to have the ACC Dean that oversees the surveying department but that speaker was not available. Some new ideas for the August speaker on 8/18 were mentioned, and the possibility that had the most promise was to ask Terry from the L.C.R.A. to discuss some relevant GPS topics, including an overview of the LCRA GPS control network, the Light Squared issue with the national GPS spectrum and the NGS adjustment with Geoid 09. Garrett said he would mention it to Terry and the Catfish Parlour would be the meeting place. It was also mentioned that the County Line would need to be contacted for the September meeting.

The group then turned to new business, and John announced the creation of the Chapter 13 Facebook Page, of which there would be multiple moderators. There was also mention of upcoming elections at the local and state level for TSPS, and that members should keep an eye out for ballots for both elections.

Respectfully Submitted,

John D. Barnard
Capital Area Chapter President

Panhandle Chapter 16
Chapter 16 Annual Report list of Officers:
President - J.D. Davis
Secretary/Treasurer - Shad McDaniel
Committee Chairs - J.D. Davis (Program/Membership/Education/Public Relations)

West Central Texas Chapter 18
Officers and Directors for 2011-2012 are:
President - Riley Griffith
1st VP - Keith Raybuck
Secretary/Treasurer - Gary Hudson
Directors - Maxey Sheppard and Jim Williams

Rio Grande Valley Chapter 19
August 2, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting. No guest speaker attended this meeting. One hour was spent reviewing “The Acts”. Election was held to elect a new President and Chapter Representative.

September 6, 2011 – Monthly Chapter Meeting – Guest Speakers were representatives from Shepard Walton King. They discussed commercial insurance options available to businesses.

Brazos Valley Chapter 20 (pdf) (www.tsps.org/chapters/bv.pdf)

North East Texas Chapter 23
- OFFICERS-
Date of Election – August 30, 2011
President – Mike Gardner
1st Vice President – David Collins
Secretary/Treasurer - Mike Gardner

Directors
Danny Smith
Randy Grubbs
Andy Harris
Mark Caldwell
Chapter Representative – Mike Gardner

- COMMITTEES-
PROGRAM – Mike Gardner
MEMBERSHIP
EDUCATION
PUBLIC RELATIONS
OTHERS

REMARKS:
Submitted this 16 day of September, 2011.

Mike Gardner
President Secretary/Treasurer
Committee Reports (Quarterly & Annual Reports)

(Following are Committee Reports for the Fourth Quarter, as well as some Annual Reports ... all submitted prior to the Oct. 6 Annual Business Meeting at 2011 Convention in Frisco, Texas.)

ACSM/NSPS Liaison
I continue to represent Texas at all functions of NSPS.

I attended the Spring 2011 NSPS meeting held in conjunction with the ESRI Survey Summit in San Diego, CA.

Discussion and movement forward continued on the motion that NSPS begin the analysis & process of withdrawing as a Member Organization of ACSM, with the end result being one organization as the representative voice of the surveying & mapping profession on the national level.

The following motion was adopted by the Member Organizations at the ACSM Congress meeting.

It is moved that in the interests of leading toward a viable single organization, the ACSM Congress be disbanded and the dissolution of ACSM begin and in conjunction with the process, ACSM turn over all operation, control, assets and liabilities to NSPS.

And furthermore,
That the NSPS immediately proceed with a realignment into a unified organization made up of individual members with equitable representation that encompasses the broader definition of surveying to include professional surveyors, geodesists and other geospatial professionals; that the realigned organization adopt the following mission statement: “The mission of the organization shall be to represent and advance the sciences and disciplines of surveying, geodesy, cartography, and related fields through education and communication, in furtherance of public good.”; that the realigned organization adopt a structure similar to that of NSPS; that the realigned organization take immediate action(s) to reduce administrative costs; that the realigned organization immediately develop a plan to attract new members in all of the disciplines of surveying, geodesy, cartography and related fields, and develop a marketing strategy.

RESOLUTION of CORPORATION

The herein assembled delegates on behalf of their respective member organizations of ACSM hereby commit to promote a collective effort toward the implementation of the stated mission of creating a unified individual organization.

July 13, 2011

I have been asked to Chair a Strategic Planning Committee of NSPS to work on the facilitation of this process.

TSPS is well represented at the national level with many of our members involved in activities and leadership positions for both NSPS and GLIS.

At this Annual Meeting we are pleased to have in attendance Mr. Bill Coleman, from North Carolina, the current President of NSPS.

Respectfully Submitted
Patrick A. Smith, RPLS

Certified Surveying Technician (CST)
Committee Charge:
Certified Surveying Technician Committee – Joe D. Webber, Jr., Chair
Promote, educate and design ways to encourage individuals who are Para-Professionals in the surveying community to prepare themselves to successfully become Certified Surveying Technicians.

CST Exams:
• It was decided over a year ago that the CST Exam would not be given at the Convention due to the cost of a room vs. the small numbers that come to take it. The exam is strategically established so that the examinee can take it at a convenient location, often at their own office, where it can be administered by a Proctor that will submit an application to be reviewed and approved by NSPS.
• I will be passing names and addresses of those who will be testing or applying for testing for the CST exam onto Brenda Null at TSPS.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe D. Webber, Jr., RPLS
CST, Chair

Chapter Activities Committee (Word doc)
(www.tsps.org/media/ChapAct.doc)

Education Committee
Committee Mandate: Education Committee – Jim Gillis, Chair
Prepare, schedule and organize education committee meetings and events in conjunction with the education subcommittees. Gather reports from the subcommittees and prepare a summary report to be included in the quarterly board books. Provide support for all subcommittees. Support educational efforts that improve public awareness of the surveying profession.

Sub-Committee Report Summaries:
Course and Speaker Development
Course and Speaker Development is working on two new 4 hour courses, “Land Surveying – A Learned Profession” and “Laser Scanning”. In addition, one of the courses form last year, “Abstracting and Research” is being re-vamped into a 4 hour course from and 8 hour course.

Certified Surveying Technician (CST)
This sub-committee continues to assist those interested in becoming Certified Surveying Technicians and those interested in upgrading their CST level.

Seminars & Symposium Subcommittee
The two day Seminar “Finding Original Corners” was again successfully presented in Concan, Texas in September. This committee continues to encourage and support Chapters wishing to conduct TSPS Brand courses and seminars. Symposium 2012 will be held at the South Shore Harbor Resort and Conference Center in League City, on February 25-25, where the three above mentioned “new” courses will be offered along with other existing courses.

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Other Education Committee Business:
We are still encouraging each chapter president to host at least one TSPS branded seminar each year, now that we have enough completed seminars that can be offered at various locations. All directors are asked to help encourage the presentation of seminars in their area as well.

In conclusion I again wish to once again state the following Objective of TSPS as laid out in its Constitution:
“The Texas Society of Professional Surveyors shall be a non-profit organization incorporated under the laws of Texas; to aid and contribute to the education of its members and the general public in attaining high surveying standards, both technical and ethical; and to provide a central headquarters and a closer association of its members.”

Respectfully Submitted by:
Jim Gillis, Chair

Ethics Committee
The Ethics Committee did not meet during this quarter. The Committee has concentrated on the following:

- Establish a sub-committee that will mentor college students through licensure.
  Determine review methodology: – Research has been ongoing and methodologies for establishing a mentoring program will be outlined at the Annual Meeting.

- Creating a program for mentoring people in the profession (RPLSs, Technicians, etc.)
  Time frame: Research for program creation: – Research has been ongoing and methodologies for establishing a mentoring program will be outlined at the Annual Meeting.

- Create a program for mentoring people within the organization (up-coming chapter-level officers, upcoming state-level board members/officers, etc.)
  Time frame: Research for program creation: – Early 2012.
  Implementation of mentoring program: – Research has been ongoing and methodologies for establishing a mentoring program will be outlined at the Annual Meeting.

- Review and revise the Ethics Committee charge and Canon of Ethics.
  Time frame: Review charge and Canon of Ethics: – Mid 2012
  Recommend revisions: – 2012 administration.

- Identify and add surveyor reference related resources to the TSPS website.
  Time frame: Compile resources – before Annual Meeting.
  Add material – before Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
David A. McDow

Governmental Affairs Committee
The Governmental Affairs Committee continues to represent TSPS at the Texas Legislature and maintains ongoing dialogue with other state agencies and professional associations, as necessary, to promote and protect the interests of the surveying profession in Texas.

This report is being made subsequent to the end of the 2011 82nd Regular Session of the Texas Legislature, which turned out to be an extremely volatile session due to State Agency Consolidation activities by the Texas House of Representatives.

The easy news first. The only initiative undertaken for this session was the introduction of the GIS Disclaimer legislation that was not passed last session. HB 1147 was introduced on the House side by Representative Wayne Smith and SB 442 was introduced on the Senate side by Senator Jeff Wentworth. Both bills were heard in committee, passed out without any changes and sent to the other side of the Legislature for concurrence. Subsequent to that concurrence HB 1147 was signed by the Governor on May 27, 2011 with an effective date of September 1, 2011. The final version of HB 1147 can be viewed at http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/BillLookup/History.aspx?LegSess=82R&Bill=HB1147

The real action started at the beginning of the session during the Governor’s mandate message to the Legislature when he stated his intention of suspension (de-funding) of the operations of TBPLS.

This resulted in the filing of three House bills relative to consolidation of state licensing agencies (surveyors, engineers, architects & geoscientists). Those bills were HB 2480 by Representative Geren, HB 2543 by Representative Smith and HB 3166 by Representative Callegari.

HB 2480 was pulled at committee hearing on April 5, 2011 and never gained any further movement. HB 2543 was assigned to committee and never posted for committee hearing.

HB 3166 was the only bill to gain any traction and was heard in committee on April 21, 2011. TSPS testified and stated the concerns relative to the proposed composition of the combined agency. This bill was passed out of committee and sent to House Calendars Committee on May 7, 2011. Prior to this on May 4 a Call to Action was issued to TSPS members to contact their Representatives and oppose the bill as passed out of committee. Subsequent to the response by TSPS members the bill was pulled from consideration prior to being placed on the House Calendar for floor action.

Representative Callegari attempted to revive the consolidation effort by proposing an amendment to SB 1811 (an education finance vehicle critical to the passage of final House budget). Another Call to Action was issued to TSPS members on May 18, 2011 and again an overwhelming response to the passage of final House budget). Another Call to Action was issued to TSPS members on May 18, 2011 and again an overwhelming response resulted in Representative Callegari pulling down his amendment prior to it be submitted for consideration on the House Floor.

Throughout this entire process TBPLS remained a fully funded agency in HB 1, the House Budget Bill, and also in the final version of the Senate Appropriations Bill.

On June 2, 2011 a post session meeting was held with the Governor’s Budget staff and assurances were given that the Governor’s office would make no changes/revisions to the final budget as passed by the House.

End result of session is that TBPLS will remain a fully funded agency for

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the 2012-2013 Biennium.

The TSPS Governmental Affairs Committee will now be chaired by Mickey Nowell. I have been honored to serve in this capacity for quite some time and will continue to be involved as needed in the future.

Respectfully Submitted
Patrick A. Smith, RPLS

Legal Counsel’s Report (pdf - starts page 2)
(www.tsps.org/media/mh.pdf)

Nominating Committee
Charge:
This committee “shall nominate a slate of officers and directors, excluding any member of the nominating committee, for submission to the membership prior to the next Annual meeting as provided in Article VII, Section 4, of the Constitution”.

Horizon 2 (6 – 8 months):
1. Committee members shall evaluate each proposed candidate and check for eligibility. **Meeting held on June 25th at 8:00 am – 9:00 am**

Horizon 3 (8- 10 months):

Recent Activity:
1. All proposed candidates were submitted per this committee’s previous report.
2. Not having any additional responsibilities this year, I would like to personally thank the members of this committee (as noted below) for their effort and commitment to the affairs of TSPS.

Committee Members:
Michael Parker (Past-Chair), Paul Carey (Director), Gerry Curtis, Butch Evans, David McDow, Bob Hysmith

Respectfully Submitted by,
Alan M. McLain, RPLS
Chair, Nominating Committee

Public Relations Committee (Word doc)
(www.tsps.org/media/PR.doc)

Real Estate Division of the State Bar
The Committee continues to monitor recent Texas real estate law cases and summaries which are prepared by the Real Estate Section of the State Bar of Texas and published in The Texas Surveyor.

Registration Practices Committee (Word doc)
(www.tsps.org/media/regprac.doc)

Safety Committee
This year the Safety Committee wrote and submitted articles on safety topics that were published in each issue of The Texas Surveyor. Work on articles for future issues will continue.

Work reviewing and updating the current Safety Manual slowed this year. Next year the committee’s goal is to re-write the manual, updating it to a current format.

No safety issues were submitted to this committee this year.

It has been an honor to serve TSPS and a pleasure to work with President Watson, the Officers and the Board of Directors.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. (Joe) Breaux
Chairman

Sound and Video Committee
All sound equipment is in good condition.

Looking forward to the 4th Quarterly Board Meeting at the convention of 2011.

Dear TSPS,

Joe E. Higle, RPLS, and Butch Holland, RPLS, will be resigning from the Sound and Video Committee effective in October 2013. Our last convention will be October 2013. We hope this gives you ample time to look for our replacement(s) so we may train and work with them to show them how to use the equipment properly.

Submitted by:
Joe E. Higle, RPLS
Butch Holland, RPLS

SurPAC Committee
Balance Brought Forward: ................. $8431.12
For this reporting period:
September
  Deposits: ...................... $1.98
  Debits: ......................... $-25.00 (August Service Charge)
Ending Bal.: ........................ $-23.02

Balance this period: ...... $8408.10
Bank Statement Balance: ........................ $8408.04 (September 15, 2011).
  Error: ............................ $0.06

Respectfully submitted,
David A. McDow

TSFI Committee
The TSFI Board continues to accept, review, and award scholarships to those students who apply. We have noticed a change in the students submitting applications. Previously Corpus Christi A&M and Tyler Junior College along with UT-Tyler were the predominant students applying. Within the last year more universities are participating, allowing us to award scholarships to a broader base.

The format for the TSFI Auction and BBQ cook-off in June had to be altered. Due to a burn ban in Travis County we could not allow the use of any cooking implement other than gas or electric. Realizing that any true BBQ expert would not be satisfied with this, we cancelled the cook-off and simply ordered BBQ. Attendance was down, probably due to the extreme

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Coming Events

**NOVEMBER**

November 18

**TSPS Chapter 18 Seminars (2 4-hour Classes)**
Sponsored by West Central Texas Chapter 18
Abilene Civic Center
1100 North 6th Street
Abilene, Texas  79601

**An Expedition Through the Act & Rules (4 CEUs)**
*Instructor: Paul Carey & Joe Breaux*

**Professional Ethics (4 CEUs)**
*Instructor: Fred Crawford*

View the Seminar Brochure/Registration Form at:

Registration payments by check or money order only. For more information, contact Gary Hudson at 325-554-7804 or email tssurv@gmail.com.

**DECEMBER**

December 3

**UPDATED: TSPS December Seminars - Last Minute CEUs**

**Change Made to Austin, Texas Seminar**
Previously scheduled *Practical Applications of Advanced Survey Technologies* Seminar has been changed to

**The Art of Topographic Surveys**
*Instructor - George Forbis-Stokes*
See course description and instructor bio below!

(Note: if you previously registered for *Practical Applications of Advanced Survey Technologies* but do not want to attend the replacement course *The Art of Topographic Surveys*, you will be given a full refund. Please email your request to cancel to brendan@tsps.org.)

Fees are for ALL DAY – no half day fee available.

**HOUSTON**

**An Expedition Through the Act & Rules (4 CEUs)**
*Instructors: Paul Carey & W.J. (Joe) Breaux & RPLS Boundary Retracement (4 CEUs)**
*Instructor: Paul Carey*

Crowne Plaza Houston Northwest
12801 NW Freeway, Houston, TX 77040
Phone:  713-462-9977
TSPS Room Rate:  $89  – cut-off date 11/10/11

**AUSTIN**

**The Art of Topographic Surveys**
*Instructor: George Forbis-Stokes*

This course will examine the skills utilized in representing physical features on a map. By defining mapping categories, and terms, we will establish a common language for use during the course. Attendees will list various types of surveys that require the same mapping skills as the standard topographic survey. Attendees will evaluate survey equipment, and associated technologies, for collecting field data. We will practice communication techniques to help insure that we provide what the client needs. Attendees will identify drawing attributes that will provide the clearest mental picture of physical features on a map. By the end of this course, attendees will be able to effectively communicate with their client, choose the best survey tools for the job, and deliver a final product that will satisfy their client's needs.

George Forbis Stokes
George has worked for Enprotec / Hibbs & Todd, Inc., in Abilene, Texas for 30 years. He graduated from Texas A&M University with a degree in Agricultural Engineering. George is a member of the TSPS Education Committee, and served as President of the TSPS West Central Chapter five years in a row. George is a veteran presenter of courses for TSPS, and developed “The Art of Topographic Surveys”, as well as another course, “Procedures for Construction Layout”.

Register online now at

**JANUARY**

January 28

**Expedition Through the Act & Rules Seminar**
Instructors: Shane Neally and Dempsey Hannah
Sponsored by Central East Texas Chapter 8
Lufkin, Texas
For more information, contact Al Hargraves at 936-632-2729 or email ahargraves@tritechtx.com.

**FEBRUARY**

February 24-25

**TSPS 2012 Symposium**
South Shore Harbour Resort & Spa
2500 South Shore Blvd
League City, TX 77573
800-442-5005
The TSPS 2012 Symposium will be held on the shores of Clear Lake at the beautiful South Shore Harbour Resort & Spa in League City. Located between Houston and Galveston, South Shore Harbour is the perfect location for TSPS members (and non-members) to earn their 2012 CEUs and bolster their education in paraprofessional offerings. Watch your mail for the official 2012 Symposium brochure and also the TSPS website at www.tsps.org for registration details.
SURVEY INSTRUMENTMAN/RODMAN

Harris County Flood District

Join The Team That’s Improving The Quality Of Life For 4 Million Residents.

Requires a high school graduate or equivalent, experience may not be substituted for education; some college or an associate or technical degree in Civil Engineering or Survey Technology or equivalent curriculum; two years of experience may be allowed for each year of education if in the same field, not to exceed 2 years; new graduates in science fields will be considered. Must possess 2-4 years verifiable experience in survey work or similar field including field survey engineering methods and/or other survey techniques; as well as experience using Auto CAD, Carlson Land Surveying and Leica software. Prefer experience using complex optical equipment, electronic instruments and various instruments used in survey engineering specifically Leica GPS and total stations. Must possess valid TDL.

SURVEY INSTRUMENTMAN/RODMAN
Technician I - Houston, Texas

We are currently seeking a qualified professional to perform technical survey work of average difficulty as part of a field survey crew including operating electronic measuring and data collecting devices and other survey instruments for the Watershed Coordination Department in accordance with the District’s mission to maintain the Infrastructure.

We offer a positive work environment with a competitive compensation and benefits package. EOE.

Apply online at: http://hcfcd.org/jobs

I Man & Survey Technician in Richardson, TX

Instrument Man - Halff Associates has an immediate opening for an Instrument Man in the Richardson, TX office. Applicants must have 2-3 years experience in topographic surveys, ALTA and boundary surveys, and some construction staking experience. Candidates without survey experience will not be considered. To apply, please go to http://www.halff.com and click on “careers,” then “jobs”. The job ad number for this position is 2011-1071.

Survey Technician - This opening is for an entry level Survey Technician with 2+ years experience. Responsibilities include:
- Organizing research for field
- Reducing field observations
- Preparing data for drafting
- Preparing legal descriptions
- Preparing reports
- Preparing sketches
- Preparing COGO calculations
- Performing boundary analysis under RPLS supervision

Must be proficient in the use of Microstation and Geopac for producing survey maps and plats. TxDOT experience a plus. To apply, please go to http://www.halff.com and click on “careers,” then “jobs”. The job ad number for this position is 2011-1072.

We offer excellent benefits including medical, dental, prescription, life, long-term disability insurance, as well as a 401k and ESOP plans, 529 College Savings Plan, Flexible Spending, and Employee Assistance Plans. Competitive salary commensurate with experience. Halff is an Equal Opportunity employer.


REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR

Wier & Associates, Inc., a professional services consulting firm headquartered in Arlington, Texas, has opening for a Professional Land Surveyor registered in the states of Oklahoma and Kansas. Relocation may not be necessary, but candidates must be willing to travel, particularly within Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas. Texas registration and AutoCAD/LDDT experience is a plus. Please submit your resume via e-mail to HR@WierAssociates.com or via fax to 817-467-7713.

CONSTRUCTION SURVEY TECHNICIAN

Work with the Best!

Our 100% employee-owned company vision of “Inspiring People to go Beyond the Expected” provides our employees with challenges, rewards and professional development opportunities unsurpassed within the industry. A career at Sundt provides many distinctive advantages including competitive wages and benefits package.

ON050 Construction Survey Technician

Summary:
This individual will be responsible for preparing Survey Calculations for Roads and Bridges, Building Layout, Utility Layout, uploading and downloading field data, editing field notes, as-builts, and volume calculations.

Responsibilities:
1. Operates all survey equipment (G.P.S., total station, level, etc.).
2. Demonstrates basic understanding of the plans (Blueprint reading).
3. Performs basic survey calculations to help Party Chief.
4. Keeps equipment in proper working order.
5. Keeps truck fully stocked of materials if applicable.

Qualifications:
- Qualified Candidate should have 2-5 years surveying experience preferably in a heavy civil construction environment.
- An understanding of current Heavy Highway Surveying Concepts and Procedures is required.
- Knowledge of AutoCAD, Microstation, or Topcon Site Master Survey Software is a plus.
- Working on NICET certification.

Apply online at:
https://jobs-sundt.icims.com/jobs/candidate?back=intro&from=login

Sundt is an Equal Opportunity Employer (EOE)

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RPLS - Bryan, Texas
RPLS Needed - Carlomagno Surveying is looking to add an RPLS to our Bryan, Texas office. Minimum of 2 years experience preferred. Compensation would include a minimum of 30% company ownership. For more information or to send your resume please email us at cs@carlomagnosurveying.com.

SURVEYING POSITIONS AVAILABLE - HOUSTON TEXAS
Town and Country Surveyors, is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions in Houston, TX:

Survey Crew Chief
Ideal applicant would have a minimum of 2 years of experience in boundary surveying and topographic surveying. Experience in oil and gas surveying, and construction layout a plus.

Instrument Person
Ideal applicant would have a minimum of 1 year experience.

Must have a valid driver's license
Must be able to pass drug and background check.

Send resumes to naomi@tsurveying.com or call 281-465-8730

PARTY CHIEF & INSTRUMENTMAN
Fenstermaker & Associates is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions in Houston, TX:

Party Chief
Coordinates and supervises the activities of crew personnel (Instrumentman & Rodman). Requirements include: High School Diploma or GED, plus 3-5 years Party Chief 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 plus 2-5 years Instrumentman experience.

Submit resume to:
Fenstermarker, 135 Regency Square, Lafayette LA 70508
Attn: Human Resources. Resumes can also be sent via email to resume@fenstermaker.com or by visiting our website at www.fenstermaker.com. No phone calls, please.
Competitive salary & benefits offered. EOE/AA Employer. Applications confidential.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE
WINDROSE LAND SERVICES - AUSTIN: is a multi-disciplined firm providing surveying services on a wide variety of commercial, industrial, residential, municipal, and telecommunication projects. We are conducting a search for qualified professionals to fill multiple positions including: Survey Techs / Draftsmen. We offer a strong benefits package which includes Medical, Dental, LT Disability, Life Insurance, Vision, 401k with matching, Tuition Reimbursement, Job Training and opportunities for advancement. If you are interested in a confidential interview please fax your resume to (512) 326-2770 or email to ronnie.willis@windroseaus.com.

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
Ronald Carroll Surveyors, Inc. in Temple, TX has provided quality service to the greater Central Texas area since 1979. RCS are experts in boundary, construction surveying, pipelines, site planning and development services, and real property transactions. We are currently looking for a hands-on RPLS to be a member of our surveying team. Candidates must be a good communicator within a mid-size survey office. Efficient in AutoCAD is required, Carlson and GIS a plus. 2 years experience as a RPLS as a minimum, long-term employment minded. Licensed in state of TX required. Good benefits, steady work in a small-town atmosphere. Must be willing to relocate to within 20 miles of Temple, TX.

Please send resumes to: hr@rcsurveyors.com

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
A growing mid-size survey/engineering/design firm is seeking candidates to fill RPLS positions in the oil & gas field. We have positions in Fort Worth and Houston, TX and West Monroe, LA. We offer competitive pay and excellent benefits! A strong candidate for this position will possess a healthy work ethic, responsible character, and professional mindset.

RPLS candidates will have oil & gas experience with the ability to review title work, define pipeline easements, and prepare plats for oil & gas facilities. The position will include some drafting responsibilities, some field visits, and ability to manage multiple crews. Licenses in the surrounding states are a plus.

Interested individuals please send resume and salary history to mbrocato@ppitech.net. PPI is an EOE. Pre-employment and random drug tests required.

SURVEY PARTY CHIEF
A growing survey/engineering/design firm seeks candidates to fill party chief positions in oil & gas field. We offer competitive pay and excellent benefits! A strong candidate for this position will possess a healthy work ethic, responsible character, and professional mindset.

Survey Party chief candidates should be experienced in performing as-built drawing, construction layout, boundary surveys, and topographic surveys with minimal supervision. Experience with Trimble and Topcon data collector software. 2+ years experience as a party chief is preferred. Must have a valid driver's license and clean driving record. Candidate will report to our Ft. Worth, TX office.

Interested individuals please send resume and salary history to mbrocato@ppitech.net. PPI is an EOE. Pre-employment and random drug tests and background check required.

See CLASSIFIEDS, Page 16
RPLS – Sugarland, Texas
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 with knowledge of Oil/Gas exploration and Pipeline a plus. Also, proficient in AutoCAD, and GIS. RPLS registration in TX and LA preferred.

T. Baker Smith has provided professional land and offshore surveying, engineering, marine positioning and environmental services to private, public, and industrial clients in Texas, Louisiana, the entire Gulf Coast, and beyond for nearly a century. Our excellent compensation package includes, but not limited to base salary, profit sharing, 100% match 401K, and health benefits. For more information visit www.tbsmith.com. Email humanresources@tbsmith.com.

T. Baker Smith is an equal opportunity employer.

SURVEY CAD TECHNICIANS
TRWA, Inc. is looking to add Survey CAD Technicians to our Fort Worth Office with 2+ years experience in the Oil/Gas industry. MUST have experience in drawing well pad plats, pipeline plats, alignment sheets, AS-Drilled and As-Built drawings. Knowledge with Civil 3-D a plus! TRWA offers a great compensation package with employee health insurance and paid vacation. Please send resume to: tvaldez@texasrightofway.com.

No calls please.

WILL PURCHASE LAND SURVEYING COMPANIES
Looking to purchase existing small-to mid-size land surveying companies throughout Texas. Main geographical areas of interest are Houston, Austin, San Antonio and The Texas Hill Country.

In some cases we purchase the entire operation or we may only purchase survey records, business name, and phone numbers.

Need to complete acquisition of companies before December 31, 2011. Contact: Larry Hoffman @ 713-545-1405.

MULTIPLE POSITIONS - Columbus, Texas
Frank Surveying Co., Inc. located in Columbus, Texas has the following available positions:

Survey Technician/SIT
Applicant would work under the supervision of an RPLS performing tasks related to various land surveying projects, oil and gas surveying and construction layout. Duties include: record research, deed sketches, preparation of maps and plats, construction plan review & calculation with daily project interaction with field crews.

Survey Crew Chief

Ideal applicant would have a minimum of 2 – 4 years of experience in boundary surveying with experience in oil and gas survey or plant/facility layout. Must be willing to travel, and experience with Leica GPS and robotics is preferred.

Instrument Person
Ideal applicant would have a minimum of 1 year experience in boundary surveying with experience in oil & gas surveying. Must be willing to travel, and experience with Leica GPS and robotics is preferred.

Send resumes to resumes@franksurveying.com or fax (979) 732-5271 NO PHONE CALLS, PLEASE. Applications confidential.

SURVEY TECHNICIAN
EBG Engineering, LLC, a growing surveying, civil and structural engineering firm is seeking:

Survey Technician
• AutoCad or Carlson / C&G Survey Experience Required
• Trimble Business Center knowledge preferred
• Ability to prepare boundary / ALTA surveys, plats
• Topographic surveys
• Construction layout knowledge
• Minimum 2 years previous relative experience
• SIT preferred
• Ability to pass drug test / Good driving record
• Some field work required

Contact Michael Calhoun
mcalhoun@ebgeng.com

PARTY CHIEF
PARTY CHIEF- WTC Inc., a full service Engineering, Surveying and Planning firm in Andrews, TX has an immediate opening for an experienced Survey Party Chief with extensive experience in Boundary and Oil-Gas-Pipeline surveying using Trimble GPS and/or Robotic Equipment. WTC Inc., offers a great drug free atmosphere with good people, plenty of work and an excellent compensation package with very competitive pay, 401K, Company paid insurance and many incentive programs. WTC Inc., is an EOE, pre-employment and random drug testing required.

Please send a cover letter, resume and salary requirements to nathant@wtsurveying.com, gregs@wtsurveying.com or ednap@wtcengineering.com.

MULTIPLE POSITIONS AVAILABLE
MULTIPLE POSITIONS AVAILABLE – John F. Watson & Company-Midland, Texas
Progressive Land Surveying Firm has immediate openings for RPLS, 2
Crew Chiefs, 2 Office Survey Technicians and 2 Draftsmen. Office based in Midland, TX with work all over Texas and Oklahoma. Extensive travel for field crews with varying work schedules. Send Resume to: jobs@windearthwater.com or fax (432)520-2404.

SURVEY PROJECT TECHNICIAN
Survey Project Technician (Stafford, TX)
Primarily responsible for providing technical support to Project Manager by calculating, analyzing, organizing, coordinating, and researching information, preparing drawings for oil and gas projects. Will also provide assistance with any other tasks necessary to complete the project, which can include setting up field assignments along with interaction with TBS field and/or office associates and clients.

Requirements:
An Associate’s degree from an accredited college or from a vocational-technical college in a related field plus one to three years related work experience in the area of work specialization; OR any equivalent combination of education and experience. Ability to operate AutoCAD and other related computer software and equipment, and basic understanding of computer hardware and software, accuracy, attention to detail, and excellent written and verbal communication skills.

For more information please go to: www.tbsmith.com or send resume to humanresources@tbsmith.com.

PROJECT SURVEYOR – INSTRUMENT MAN
Crossway Surveying, Inc. is a surveying business that performs mapping and oil and gas, topographic, and boundary surveying.

We are hiring the following personnel for our Fort Worth office:

Project Surveyor
Qualified candidate will have bachelor’s degree and Texas registration. Oil and gas surveying experience required. Multi-state registration, or desire to reciprocate, is a plus. Duties will include coordinating and supervising a survey team of field crews and technicians, survey document review, and responsibility for team quality control and budget maintenance. Good management skills necessary. Some travel may be needed.

Instrument Man
Qualified candidate will have a minimum of 2 years experience using GPS and be proficient using robotic as well as conventional total stations and data collectors. Some travel will be necessary. There will be an opportunity to work into a party chief position.

Crossway offers competitive pay, benefits, and bonuses.

Inquiries will be kept confidential. Please email your resume and references to careers@crossway-si.com.

RPLS NEEDED
TRWA, Inc. is looking to add an RPLS to our Fort Worth Office with 6+ years experience in the Oil/Gas industry. Must have experience in well pad, pipeline, boundary, topographic and construction survey. Candidate will need to have experience with As-Drilled and pipeline As-built survey. TRWA offers a great compensation package as well as employee health insurance and paid vacation. Please send resume to: tvaldez@texasrightofway.com. No calls please.

SURVEY PROJECT MANAGER (RPLS) - SURVEY TECHNICIANS & PARTY CHIEFS
Surveying-Engineering-Environmental

Permanent Full-Time Openings in our San Antonio Office:

SURVEY PROJECT MANAGER / PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR (RPLS)
Experience/Requirements:
• 2 Yrs Min Oil & Gas PIPELINE experience a must
• Texas License
• Project Management Exp
• Excellent Management Skills
• Proficient in AutoCAD

SURVEY TECHNICIANS & PARTY CHIEFS
• 2 Yrs Min Oil & Gas PIPELINE experience a must

Wages/Benefits:
Top Pay, Full Benefit Package

Send Resumes to:
Email: humanresources@mphinc.com
Fax: 985-853-3992
Mail: Attn Human Resources
283 Corporate Drive
Houma, La. 70360

MPH, Inc is an Equal Opportunity Employer

SURVEY PROJECT MANAGER
Survey Project Manager for survey projects in New Mexico. Percheron Surveying, LLC is seeking a Professional Surveyor licensed in New Mexico to manage survey projects with 3-5 years experience managing survey projects, client contacts, Trimble GPS, and AutoCAD/Carlson software. Send resume to inquire@percheronsurveying.com.
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SURVEYING POSITIONS AVAILABLE - BRENHAM TEXAS
Lampe Surveying, Inc, headquartered in Brenham for over 37 years is seeking motivated professionals for the following positions:
Registered Professional Land Surveyors.
Experienced CAD Survey operators and/or SIT.
Experienced Field Technicians with GPS experience & willing to travel.
Knowledge of office and field procedures, computer operations and applications required. Oil and Gas experience a plus.
Excellent opportunity for the right candidate(s).
Competitive pay, health insurance, paid vacation/holidays.
Inquires kept confidential.
Submit resumes to: lampesurveying@sbcglobal.net or fax to 979-836-1177.

INSTRUMENT MAN - Austin, TX
Applicants must have 1-4 years experience in the surveying field and must have experience in topographic surveys, alta and boundary surveys, and some construction staking experience.

Halff Associates fosters a work environment that allows for professional and personal growth. We offer excellent benefits including medical, dental, prescription, life, long-term disability insurance, as well as a 401k and ESOP plans, 529 College Savings Plan, Flexible Spending, and Employee Assistance Plans. Competitive salary commensurate with experience. We are an Equal Opportunity employer.

Please apply on line at http://www.halff.com.

MULTIPLE POSITIONS AVAILABLE
Percheron Surveying, LLC is accepting applications for the following positions:

• Survey Technician:
  Must be able to produce boundary surveys, plan profile drawings, and well location surveys in AutoCad based Carlson software.

• Party Chief
• Instrumentman
• Rodman

All field work is out of town and will require individuals able to travel.

Favorable background check, including driving record, is required. Please forward resumes to: smcglaun@percheronsurveying.com.

Committee Reports
(Quarterly & Annual Reports)

heat, but we were still able to raise close to $7,000 for the TSFI scholarship fund.

We will have a booth in the exhibit hall and will offer raffle tickets for a fabulous door prize.

TxDOT Committee
No Activity to report for this quarter.

Respectfully submitted
Mary Chruszczak, TSPS liaison to TxDOT SCOS

University Advisory Committee
Report for October 2011 Board of Directors - Annual Business Meeting:

High School Educator’s Retreat: The 2011 event was held in June, 2011 at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi in cooperation with the USDA. The 2011 organizing Committee was headed by Dr. Stacey Lyle.

The 2012 Educator’s Retreat sponsor is Tyler Junior College. Sponsors and location for the 2013 Educators Retreat are currently being considered by the committee. Any institution considering hosting the Educators Retreat in 2013 should contact this committee before April 2012 to follow the approval guidelines currently in place. This Educators Retreat committee will be structured as a sub-committee under TSPS Public Relations Committee in 2012.

The list of schools with active Surveying and Geomatic programs is being updated along with a list of teachers contacted through TSPS events such as this and SkillsUSA over the last five years. The teachers attending the various TSPS conferences and work sessions (See TIVA report by submitted Freeman) are being added. A survey of the schools with Surveying and Geomatics programs should be generated, polling the current status and enrollment shortly after school begins this fall.

As always, it has been an honor to serve the profession in the capacity stated herein and I will stand by to serve when called upon in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. M. (Bill) Coleman, Chair