

# The MMA News

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## MMA Executive Committee

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**Missouri Mappers Association  
34rd Annual Conference  
August 7th —10th, 2018  
Oasis Hotel & Convention Center  
Springfield, Missouri**



## Letter from the President

MMA,

I just wanted to send out a little letter thanking you for the opportunity to serve as your President this 2017 -1018 year.

As usual our committees are working hard for you and we want to serve you. If there are any suggestions that you might have please feel free to contact them or myself.

I also want to mention that the 600 class was such a BIG hit that we decided to do the 601 class with the same teacher Rick Norejko. 601 class Cadastral Mapping – Methods and Applications is intended to be a continuation of the mapping science curriculum. It exposes students to aspects of protocol and legal principles that are not covered in Course 600. This course utilizes lectures, classroom discussion and exercises to emphasize the main concepts and procedures taught during the week.

My goal this year is to get more members and have them and you be more involved. It takes a lot to put on an Annual Conference and to get speakers & classes scheduled.

I feel this is going to be a good year! Let's keep up the communication and if you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

Brenda Dryer

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## Annual Committee Meeting Report

I sent a “We Missed You This Year” email to attendee’s that came in 2016 but missed our 2017 conference. I had a very positive response. All of them said they missed coming and intend on being there next year. One in particular was from the Consolidated Electric Cooperative. He mentioned he would put some feelers out at their Users Groups to see if anyone had suggestions of workshops they’d like to see. One of our new members this year was from that group. I’m working on getting ideas for ways to reach out to a more diverse group of people in the mapping community. Any suggestions or ideas are always welcome.

I will be sending out a “Save the Date” in January. My intention is to send it out to everyone on the membership list back to 2014/2015 whether they are a current member or not. I will be sending it to the Assessor’s and Vendor’s as well. I’m going to mention the new location in hopes it will generate a good attendance. One of our new members Amanda Bybee with TREKK Design Group in Springfield. We’ve visited about the 2018 conference and she has some good ideas and contacts that I believe will benefit us.

I’m trying to come up with an idea that will get our membership involved in inviting new members and vendors. I’m thinking of something along the idea of a contest.

We will be having our first 2018 MMA Conference Committee meeting in January. I’m excited about the new location and looking forward to seeing everyone there!

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Ann Stokes

MMA Conference Committee Chair

## **Certification Committee Report**

The Certification Committee is accepting applications for the PMM certification exam through the end of January. The test will be administered Spring 2018. The PMM designation is available to all MMA members in good standing, who: have 5 full years of cadastral mapping experience; are engaged in the use, production or maintenance of maps; have completed a minimum of 30 hours of study in mapping, surveying or a closely related subject; have successfully completed the certification exam. If you have ever thought about becoming a Professional Missouri Mapper, now's your chance! Contact me or any of the members of the

Certification Committee for your application.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Kean PMM

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## **Media Committee Report**

If you are a current MMA Committee or Chapter Chair please submit your reports for our next newsletter. Like us on Facebook and be sure to check out our website.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Bybee

Media Committee Chair

## **Membership Committee**

The Membership Committee has been working to identify non-members within county government. As of today (January 30, 2018) our membership stands at 89 paid members. If anyone knows of someone who works in mapping or an associated field, please give them information on Missouri Mappers. A registration form can be found on the MMA website or they can call or email me at the following: Phone - 417-745-6346 or email - [martisuiter@aol.com](mailto:martisuiter@aol.com).

Marti Suiter, PMM

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## **Committees Without Updates to Report:**

- **Awards Committee**
  - **Education Committee**
  - **Historical Committee**
  - **Legislation Committee**
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## **Treasurer's Report**

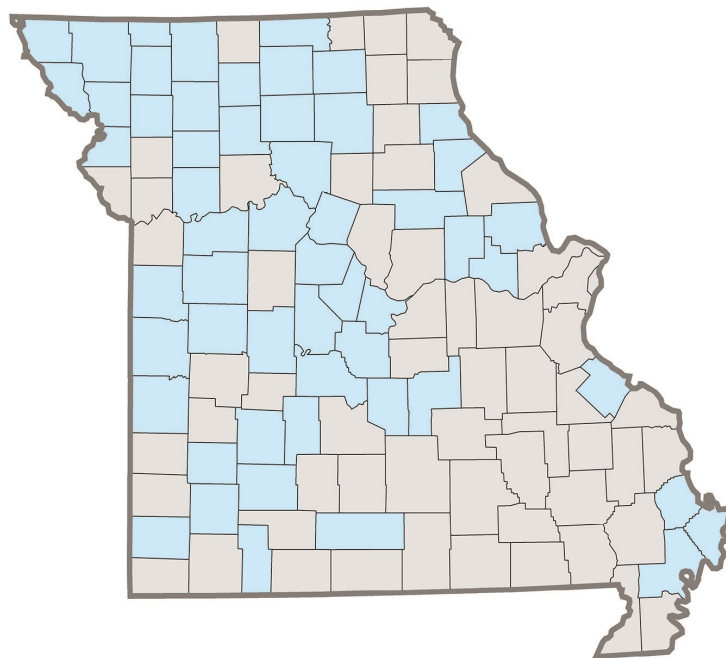
The treasurer's report will be in the next issue of the newsletter after the board approves in the next meeting.





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## **Chapter Reports**

### **Northwest Chapter Report**

Missouri Mappers Association – NW Chapter meeting

Date: Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

Time: 10am – 12pm

Place: Nodaway County Administration Center, 403 N. Market, Maryville, MO

#### **Topics of discussion:**

- ArcGIS Pro – the new GIS software platform from Esri
- The importance of accurate 911 addresses within a county's GIS & NG911 (Next Generation 911)
- How county departments are utilizing GIS for their day-to-day operations

Matt Sorensen, Northwest Chapter President  
Senior VP, Midland GIS

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**Do you have an amazing boss?**

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**<http://www.missourimappers.org/awards/>**

## **IAAO COURSE 601: CADASTRAL MAPPING – METHODS & APPLICATIONS**

***Mt Vernon Courthouse***

***Date: 05/21/2018 - 05/25/2018***

***Time: All Day***

***Location: 1 Courthouse Square Mount Vernon, Missouri***

### **Information:**

The Missouri Mappers Association is pleased to announce that IAAO Course 601 will be held May 21 thru 25th, 2018.

**Instructor Rick Norejko** will teach the class. As many MMA members can attest, he is an excellent instructor!

The course will be held in Mt. Vernon, MO at the Old Historical Courthouse on the square. The cost for the class will be \$600 per student which includes materials.

**Course Summary:** Cadastral Mapping-Methods and Applications is intended to be a continuation of the mapping science curriculum. It exposes students to aspects of protocol and legal principles that are not covered in Course 600. This course utilizes lectures, classroom discussion and exercises to emphasize the main concepts and procedures taught during the week.

**Recommended:** Course 101 & 600 – 30 hours CE

**Lodging:** Lodging options in are available in Mt. Vernon, MO and in Springfield (25 min away). Meals will be on your own.



## In the News

### **Close to Home**

The University of Missouri Extension is developing a GIS for the Lake of the Ozarks Regional Economic Development Council. They are locating hundreds of vacant lots and collecting a surplus of additional information in hopes to generate and encourage re-development of affordable housing in the area. To read more, visit:

[Lake News Online - GIS used to boost development](#)

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### **Technology Driven**

As I'm sure you are all aware, there are floating discussions of a "Hyperloop" connecting the state's two largest hubs, Kansas City and St. Louis. With the use of GIS as well as other technical and environmental components, this hypothetical idea could be closer to existing than we thought! For more information from the article, visit:

[StarLand News - Hyperloop and GIS](#)

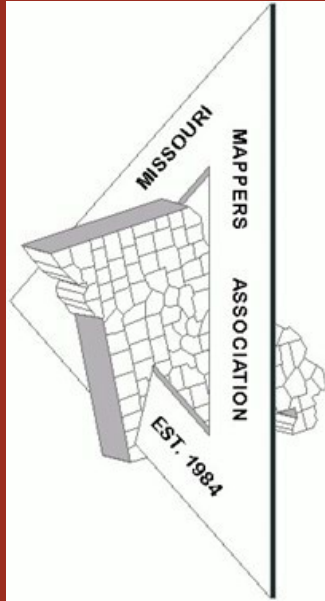
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### **Fly me to the Moon**

I'm sure everyone knows at least one person who received a drone for Christmas this past year – with drone technology advancing greatly in the last 2 years, we are seeing a more prevalent presence of drone utility in the mapping world – specifically for land surveying and engineering. They provide an overhead perspective and 360° view that help with locating property boundaries, surveying construction sites for placement of buildings, and a whole lot more. For more information, check out this one of many drone articles:

[Drones - Improving Land Surveying](#)

*Special thanks to Kristen Wenzel for the news articles*



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