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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT, RANDY LEWIS

Good Spring to all!

As I write this letter, our annual meeting agenda is being finalized. Katie Sheppard has done an absolutely awesome job putting this together. The agenda will be found in this news letter. I hope that all of you will have the opportunity to attend the meeting. Once again we have good classes to offer, and speakers that should guide some light on your everyday performance.

As you know this is my last letter as your President, and it has been an honor to serve you, and represent the Missouri Mappers Association. As I said in my last letter, mapping is the most essential element to anything that is done in this Country, relating to Building, Development, GIS, Assessment, etc. So no

matter what you do in your profession, it all started with, and continues to this day with mapping. Just because our big Cities have GIS, and our small counties use pen and ink, the end result is still the same. We need to have the maps, and I feel that this organization takes a vital role in being the profession in maintaining the mapping in this state. Surveyors started it, and will still make maps for the United States Public Land Survey System, but we will maintain the credibility function within those maps that we get from them. Do we maintain them in different ways? "YES" but we still produce a map that fits our particular organization or County.

This is a personal invitation to all

of you. Once again I am doing the Bar-B-Que the night before the classes. I have changed it a little; it is going to be at the hotel in a suite next to the pool. That way you will not have to leave the hotel to be at the Bar-B-Que. Families are welcome, there is a place in the registration where you can let Katie know how many are coming. The hotel is supposed to have the bar open for mixed drinks, and beer. So if you cannot make it that night, I will put you on a committee for next year!

Once again thank so much for allowing me to be the President this past year, and before I leave, yes I would never forget this, our fine Missouri outdoor events coming up.

Turkey Season: April 24 – May 14

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Squirrel Season: May 27

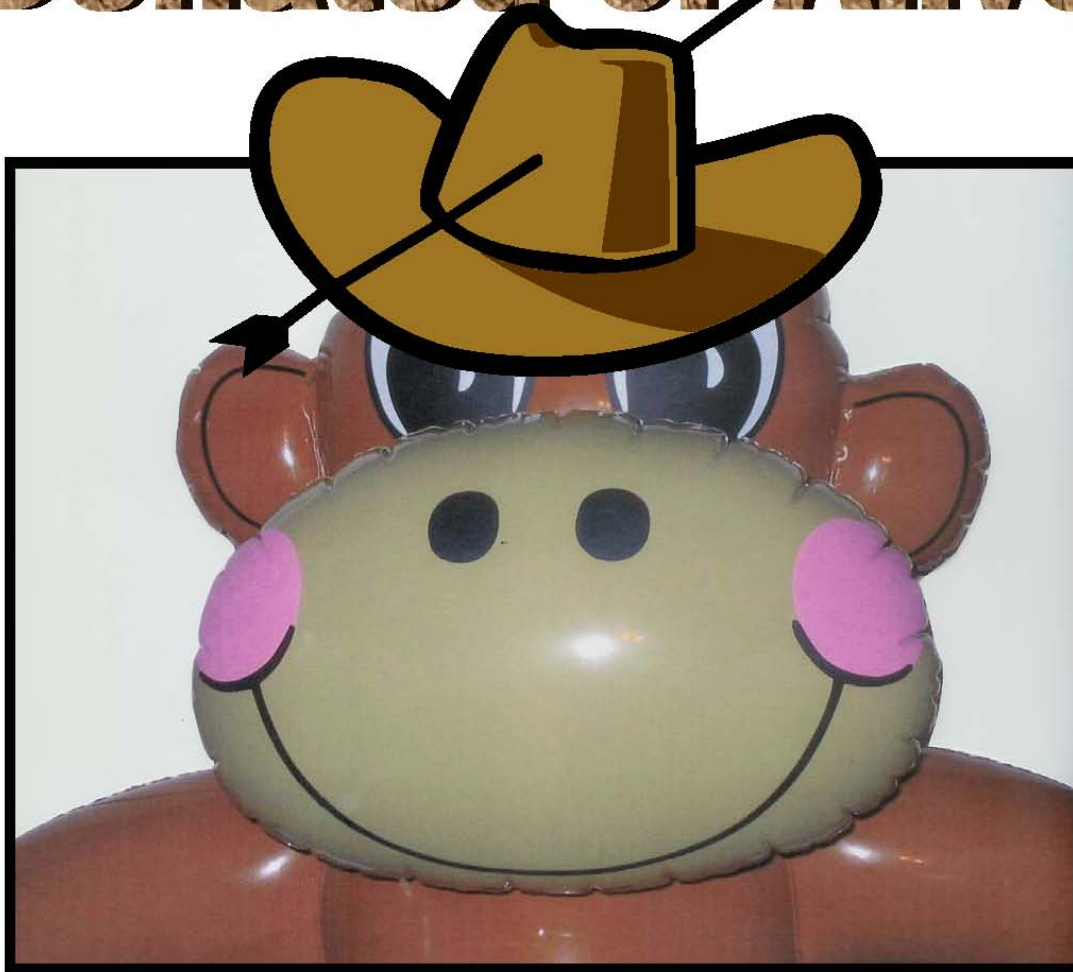
Firearm Deer Season: November 11

Regulation for Hunting and Fishing see www.mdc.mo.gov

Randy Lewis.
President

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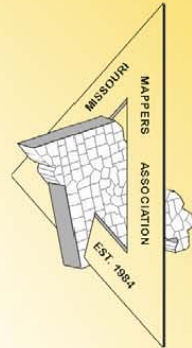


**Infamous Banana Rustler and Bad Dancer
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Last Spotted at MMA Conference**

2006 Missouri Mappers Association 22nd Annual Conference



August 7-10, 2006
Lake of the Ozarks, MO
The Resort at Port Arrowhead



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Topics This Year Will Include:

- Mark Kemper, The Sidwell Company, "Workshop: Lines, Tangents and Bearings...Oh My!"
- Joe Eckmann, ESRI, "Workshop: Geodatabase Basics"
- Larry Bollinger, St. Louis County Highway Department, "Workshop: Cadastral Mapping for Today's World"
- Larry Kroupa, Kara MidAmerica, "Pros and Cons of High Accuracy GIS Data Collection"
- Matt Sorensen, Midland GIS Solutions, "Utilizing Missouri State Tax Commission Guidelines for County GIS Development"
- Mike Flowers, PLS, State Land Surveyor, "US Public Land Survey System"
- Joel Zitterich, ProMap, "Public Access to GIS Data"
- Mark Allen, City of Higginsville, "Utility Mapping"
- Brian Baker, The Sidwell Company, "Guidelines for Drafting a Digital Orthophotography RFP"

Social Events for Everyone!

Monday, August 7
Poolside Barbecue



Tuesday, August 8
Annual Golf Tournament
Pistol Shoot
Vendor Reception
Putt-Putt- Golf Tournament

Wednesday, August 9
Annual Conference Dinner
Casino Night



See Y'all At the Lake!

For more info, please contact Katie Shepherd at shepherd@midlandgis.com or 660-562-0500

Conference Registration Form

Name _____ Title/Organization _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

If you will *NOT* be attending the Annual Conference
please send in your yearly MMA dues with this form:

\$15.00 _____

(Chapter dues will be collected by each individual chapter and should not be included with this form)

General Conference Registration Fee

\$100.00 _____

*(Includes MMA yearly dues, vendor reception (appetizers, soda, beer and wine);
Wednesday breakfast, lunch and dinner; Wednesday sessions; Casino Night
(drinks not included - cash bar); Thursday breakfast and annual meeting.*

Additional Events and Tuesday, August 8th Workshop Fees (Per Person)

1. "Lines, Tangents & Bearings...Oh My!" Workshop \$10.00 _____

2. "Geodatabase Basics" Workshop *(This workshop is limited to 12
attendees from different organizations)* \$20.00 _____

3. "Cadastral Mapping for Today's World" Workshop \$10.00 _____

Monday, August 7th BBQ *(6:30 P.M. - Dusk - includes food and non-alcoholic drinks)* \$10.00 _____

Tuesday, August 8th Golf Tournament *(Separate registration form)*

Tuesday, August 8th Pistol Shoot *(Individual fee paid to Pistols Plus)* # Attending _____

Tuesday, August 8th Putt-Putt Golf Tournament *(No fee for this event)* # Attending _____

*If you plan to bring family or friends to the BBQ, or to any conference event, each additional
meal for your guest is \$10.00 per adult, and \$5.00 per child. Please indicate the number of
guests you will be bringing, the events you expect them to attend and include the associated
costs in the "Total Amount Due" section of this form.*

of Additional Guests: _____

Events they will be attending: _____

Total Amount Due:

\$ _____

Please make your check payable to "Missouri Mappers Association"

Send registration form and payment to:

Katie Shepherd, Conference Coordinator

Midland GIS Solutions

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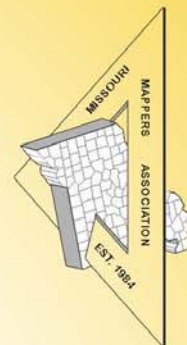
Email: shepherd@midlandgis.com

Phone: (660) 562-0050 Fax: (660) 582-7173

Please complete and return this registration with payment by Friday, July 14th, 2006.

A late fee will be applied to all registrations received after July 14, 2006.

No refunds will be issued after July 14, 2006.



**Missouri Mappers Association
Annual Golf Tournament**

**Bear Creek Valley
Tuesday, August 8, 2006
10:00 AM (Shotgun Start)**

Registration Form

If you do not have a team just list your name and we will pair you with one.

Player: _____
Player: _____
Player: _____
Player: _____

The cost is \$53.00 per person which includes green fees, carts and range balls. Prizes will be awarded during Tuesday evening's social events. Prizes will be given for team scores, putting contest, closest to the hole and longest drive.

This course is very challenging so bring lots of golf balls, but we will have a great time on a beautiful course. Get your teams together and send in your registration today!

We are looking for donated door prizes again this year. If you are willing to provide a prize, please contact Jim Kyle at 417-357-0363 or e-mail doewiggler67@wmconnect.com. The Wal-Mart gift certificates worked great last year.

Alcohol is allowed on the course but must be purchased from the pro shop. No coolers allowed. Due to the cost of the tournament, lunch will be on your own.

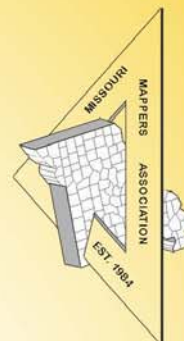
Directions to golf course: From the Resort at Port Arrowhead, turn right out of the parking lot back to Hwy 54. Turn right on Hwy 54 towards town and go to the first stop light. Here, turn left on Hwy 42. Go a quarter of a mile, and the course is on your left.

**Please make checks payable to Missouri Mappers Association
Send golf registration form and payment to:**

Jim Kyle
MMA Golf Tournament
26302 St. Hwy 413
Galena, MO



If you have any questions, please call Jim Kyle at 417-357-0363 (office) or 417-294-2621 (cell)



*Conference at a Glance*Monday, August 7, 2006

6:30 P.M. – Dusk

Barbecue at the Resort at Port Arrowhead – Poolside

Tuesday, August 8, 2006

8:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

"Lines, Tangents & Bearings...Oh My!": Understanding Legal Descriptions Workshop, Room D
 Mark Kemper, The Sidwell Company
 (Pre-registration and separate fee required)
 Equipment and Manuals Will Be Supplied
 Registrants Must Bring Calculators
 No Requirements

8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

"Geodatabase Basics"
 Workshop, Room A
 Joe Eckmann, ESRI
 (Pre-registration and separate fee required)
 Lunch Break Will Be Provided
 Basic ArcGIS Skills Preferred

10:00 A.M. – TBD

Golf Tournament, Bear Creek Valley
 (Pre-registration and separate fee required)

1:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

"Cadastral Mapping for Today's World"
 Workshop, Room D
 Larry Bollinger, St. Louis County Highway Department
 (Pre-registration and separate fee required)
 Registrants Must Bring Pencil, Straight Edge, 6 Sheets of Plain White Paper (8 1/2 x 11), and Calculator
 No Requirements

3:00 P.M. – 5:45 P.M.

Vendor Set Up – Exhibit Hall (Lakeside North and Center)

4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

Pistol Shoot (Pistols Plus Shooting Range)

5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Registration (Lakeside Foyer)

6:00 P.M.

Exhibit Hall Opens (Lakeside North and Center)

6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Vendor Reception (Lakeside North and Center)

7:45 P.M.

Meeting Time for Putt-Putt Golf Tournament (18-hole
 Miniature Golf Course at the Resort)

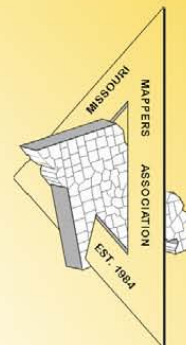
8:00 P.M. – TBD

Putt-Putt Golf Tournament

Wednesday, August 9, 2006

7:30 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

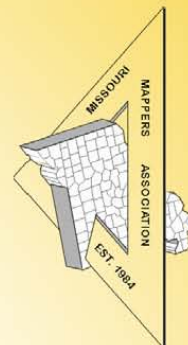
Main registration (Lakeside Foyer)



8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.	Continental Breakfast – Lakeside North and Center
9:00 A.M. – 9:10 A.M.	President's Introduction – Lakeside South
9:10 A.M. – 9:50 A.M.	Keynote Speaker – Lakeside South
10:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.	"Guidelines for Drafting a Digital Orthophotography RFP" Brian Baker, GIS Account Manager, The Sidwell Company Lakeside South
10:30 A.M. – 10:50 A.M.	Morning Break with Vendors Lakeside North and Center
10:50 A.M. – 11:20 A.M.	"Utilizing Missouri State Tax Commission Mapping Guidelines for County GIS Development" Matt Sorensen, Vice President, Midland GIS Solutions Lakeside South
11:40 A.M. – 12:10 P.M.	"US Public Land Survey System" Mike Flowers, PLS State Land Surveyor, Department of Natural Resources Lakeside South
12:10 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.	Lunch – Lakeside North and Center
1:30 P.M. – 2:10 P.M.	"Public Access to GIS Data" Joel Zitterich, GIS Project Consultant, ProMap Corporation – Lakeside South
2:10 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Afternoon Break with Vendors Lakeside North and Center
2:30 P.M. – 2:50 P.M.	"Pros & Cons of High Accuracy GIS Data Collection" Larry Kroupa, GPS/TPS Technical Sales, Kara Midamerica, Inc. – Lakeside South
3:00 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.	"Utility Mapping" Mark Allen, GIS/Data Controller, City of Higginsville – Lakeside South
3:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.	Chapter meetings; PMM Meeting
6:00 P.M. – 7:15 P.M.	Dinner – Lakeside North and Central
7:30 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.	Casino Night – Lakeside South

Thursday, August 10, 2006

8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.	Breakfast – Lakeside North and Central
9:00 A.M.	Business Meeting –Lakeside North and Center Presentation and Awards Prize Drawing – Attendance Required Swearing in of New Officers Appointment of New Committee Chairs Closing Remarks



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MMA operates from a constitution and a set of bylaws. The Association has an Executive Committee comprised of a President, Immediate Past President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Directors. These officers are selected each year at the Annual Meeting with the exception of the Treasurer and Directors, who serve a two-year term in office.

Publication Committee Report

This issue will be mailed out to approximately 250 members and vendors. It will also be posted on our new website, along with newsletters from the past.

The Publication Committee will be looking for individuals to volunteer some of their time next year. If you are interested please email Shane McDermott at shanem@psba.com. We will be looking for people to assist in the development of the newsletter as well as a possible chairman for the committee. It is always good to have new people and new ideas in a committee like this.

If you would like to submit stories, pictures, information or anything else related to mapping or GIS please send them to Shane McDermott at shanem@psba.com or mail them to:

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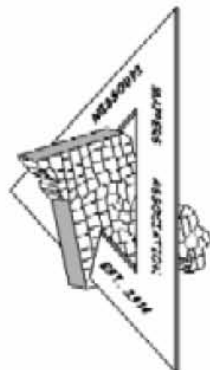


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OUTSTANDING BOSS OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The “Outstanding Boss of the Year” award is presented at the Missouri Mappers Association annual convention. It is presented to honor the “Top Boss” who has displayed Nominees must be a current member of MMA, have been a member for at least one year, and be technically proficient in mapping techniques and standards. Nominations should explain why the nominee merits this award. Nominations will be accepted through June 1, 2006.

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

I believe _____ should be nominated for
“Outstanding Mapper of the Year” because _____

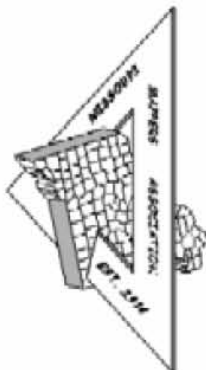
(Continue on additional sheet if needed)

Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Mail Application to: bheld@jcao.org or
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OUTSTANDING MAPPER OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The “Outstanding Mapper of the Year” award is presented yearly at the Missouri Mappers Association annual convention. The award is designed to honor an individual who has displayed outstanding abilities in the mapping field. Nominees must be a current member of MMA, have been a member for at least one year, and be technically proficient in mapping techniques and standards. Nominations should explain why the nominee merits this award. Nominations will be accepted through June 1, 2006.

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

I believe _____ should be nominated for
“Outstanding Mapper of the Year” because _____

(Continue on additional sheet if needed)

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Receipts

Dues

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Interest Earned

\$4.40

West Central

\$15.00

Total Receipts

\$169.40

Beginning Balance + Receipts

\$14,580.57

Disbursements

West Central Dues

\$35.00

Regions Bank (Monthly Service Fees)

\$10.72

Staples (Recorder for Minutes)

\$52.99

Judy Logan (Mileage)

\$22.68

Randy Lewis (Mileage)

\$108.36

Powers Entertainment (Annual Mtg. Deposit)

\$500.00

Regions Bank (Monthly Service Fees)

\$10.35

Ryon Gross (Website design)

\$500.00

Total Disbursements

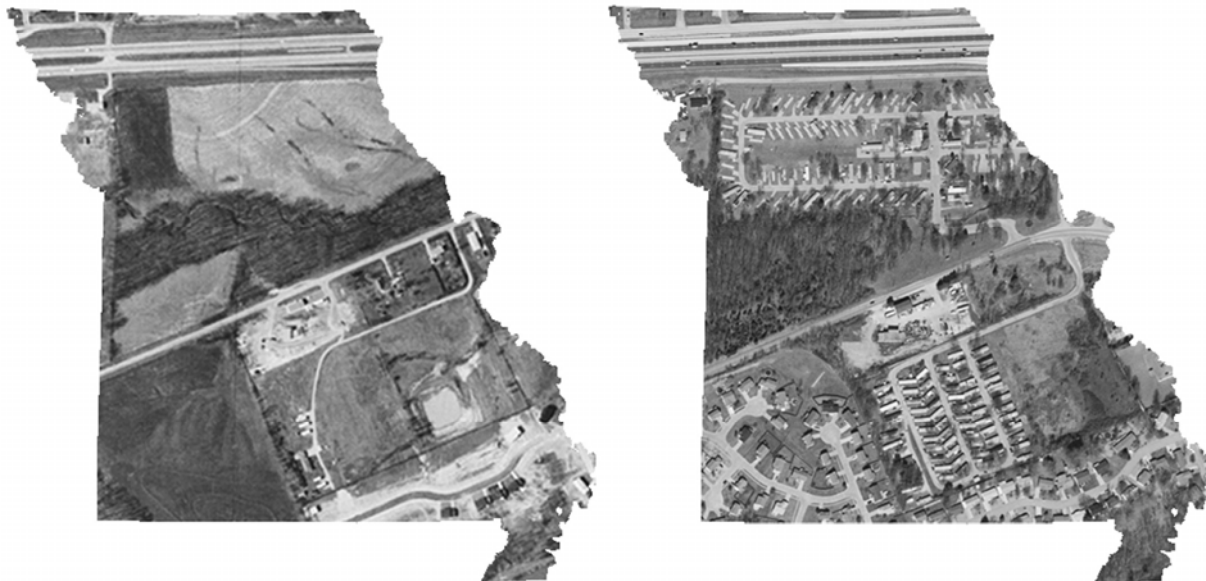
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Education Committee:

True or False Questions

Section 17 is south of Section 8

The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of a normal Section is about 80 Acres.

The N $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of a normal Section is about 20 chains (in the north / south direction) and about half a mile (in the east / west direction).

Missouri has one Principal Meridian (named the 5th) and its baseline origin is in the state of Arkansas.

To calculate acreage one simply divides the area in square chains by 10.

Longitude: the angle made between the equator, the earth's geometric center and a point on or above the surface.

Representative fraction: the ratio of a distance as represented on a map to the equivalent distance measured on the ground.

A direction measured clockwise or counterclockwise with respect to quadrants of a compass is an azimuth.

Accretion – the act of growing to a thing; usually applied to the gradual and imperceptible accumulation of land by natural causes, as out of the sea or river.

Thalweg – the line following the lowest part of a valley, whether under water or not. Usually the line following the deepest part or middle of the bed or channel of a river.

The Louisiana Purchase in 1803 contained approximately 529,911,680 Acres and the cost was about 4 cents per acre.

According to common law, provoking litigation is a crime known as maintenance.

In civil cases that deal with boundary issues, it is not necessary to prove “beyond a reasonable doubt” as in criminal cases; it is only necessary to prove a preponderance of evidence.

The Missouri Mappers Association (MMA) is a non-profit organization. Its purpose is to bring together those persons concerned with property mapping in the state and local governments and private industry and to create a framework in which we may cooperate in the investigation, study, discussion, and recommendation of improvements in property mapping and land record management, to promote the interchange of ideas and experiences, to improve the practice of property mapping and knowledge through education and training, and to support legislation beneficial to property mappers and land record management.

Membership Report

There are currently 235 paid members in the Missouri Mappers Association. Sixty-two counties have memberships. Membership fees will be due again at the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gladys Smith

Upcoming Events

August 7-10, 2006

Missouri Mappers Association Annual Meeting

Lake of the Ozarks

See the announcements on page 2-7 of the newsletter. More information is also in the website:

www.missourimappers.org

This year we will have a Rodeo theme, so don't forget to bring your boots and cowboy hats.

West Central MMA Report

The West Central Chapter of the MMA will meet April 21, 2006 at Ha-Ha-Tonka State Park in Camden County for a day of mapping fun and problem solving. This will be the first meeting of West Central since the 2005 Annual Meeting due to the Chairperson not having enough time to work on this (pretty good excuse, huh?) Anyways, we will also be joining the West Central Assessor's Chapter for their float trip this summer, and are looking to the Annual Meeting later on this season.

Marti Suiter

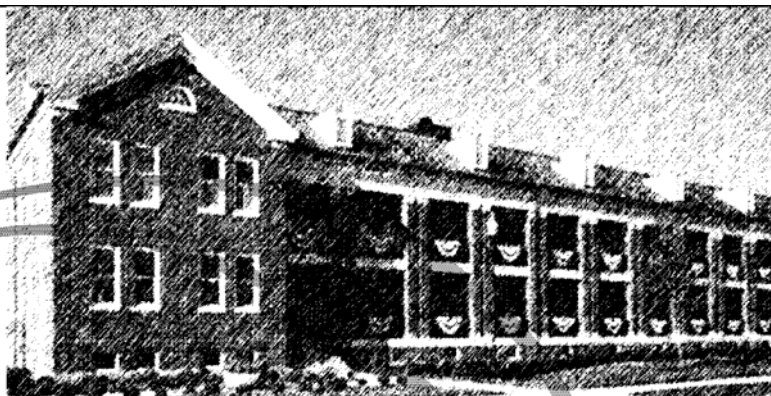
West Central Chairperson

Answer key to Education Committee True False Test

True: 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 & 14

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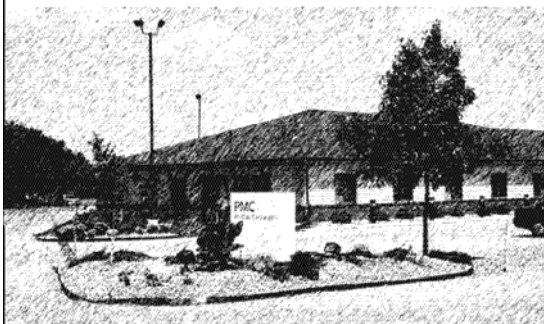


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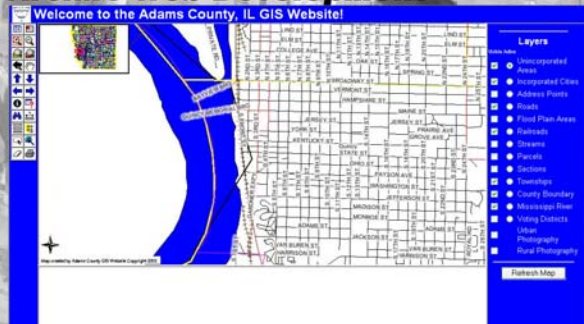


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A man and his wife were driving their Recreational Vehicle across Florida and were nearing a town spelled Kissimmee. They noted the strange spelling and tried to figure how to pronounce it - KISS-a-me; kis-A-me; kis-a-ME

They grew more perplexed as they drove into the town. Since they were hungry, they pulled into a place to get something to eat. At the counter, the man said to the waitress: "My wife and I can't seem to be able to figure out how to pronounce this place. Will you tell me where we are and say it very slowly so that I can understand."

The waitress looked at him and said: "Buuurrrgerrr Kiiiiinnng"

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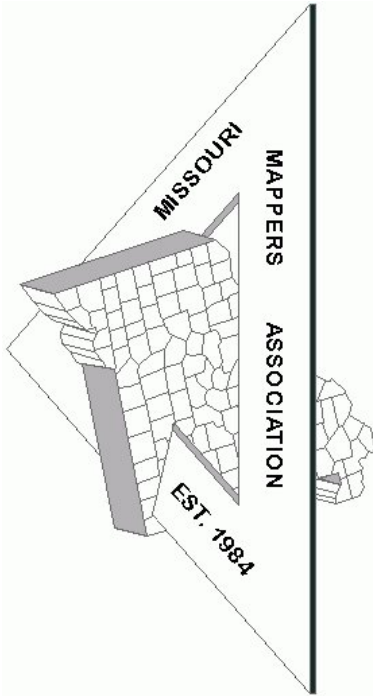


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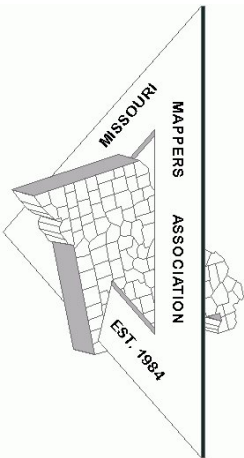


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