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# MMA News

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## Letter from the President

Hello MMA Members,

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and safely ushered in the New Year. Our last Executive Board Meeting was on January 20, 2012 in Cass County. Be sure to catch up on what was discussed by reading the meeting minutes published in the newsletter.

I'm excited about the upcoming 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference at the Resort at Port Arrowhead in July. The Annual Conference Committee has a few changes planned and we're hoping for an increased attendance this year. In the last MMA newsletter I shared my desire to see more Assessors and their Mappers attend our Conference. On November 21, 2011, I sent a letter to Lawrence County Assessor Doug Bowerman who graciously made sure it was forwarded to all Missouri Assessors. I encouraged them to consider our conference when they turned in their budgets for 2012, sharing what a valuable help it's been to me as a county Mapper. I also emphasized the low cost and tremendous amount of information our conference offers. I intend on concentrating on other mapping entities in the next few weeks. I'm sure I will be contacting some of you who are MMA members that don't work in Assessors offices for advice in the near future. My main goal is to see our membership grow and our attendance at our Annual Conference increase.

I'd like to take this chance to say how much I enjoy being involved in the SW MMA Chapter. I always look forward to our chapter meetings. We have an informative speaker each time and the advantage of feedback in a small group is priceless. It's a chance to catch up with MMA friends during the year as well. If you aren't part of your MMA Chapter I encourage you to consider attending the next meeting in your area. You can find MMA Chapter information on our website under the membership tab.



As always, please share your ideas, comments, suggestions and questions. I depend on your feedback.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sue Ann Stokes  
MMA President

## Immediate Past President Report

Be sure to consider nominating one of your fellow mappers for Outstanding Boss or Mapper of the Year! These awards are a great way to give recognition to the exceptional members that we have in Missouri Mappers Association and their dedicated service to our profession. Applications are due no later than June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Katie Shepherd

## IT Committee Report

Be sure to visit Missouri Mappers Association on the web at [www.missourimappers.org](http://www.missourimappers.org). If you have any reminders or events to post to our calendar, please send those to Katie Shepherd at [shepherd@midlandgis.com](mailto:shepherd@midlandgis.com). We can announce details for any mapping or GIS-related meeting, conference, etc. that might be of interest to our membership.

The **Information Technology Committee** manages the organization's website and ListServe service to disseminate organizational information to members and promote the organization to non-members.

([www.missourimappers.org](http://www.missourimappers.org)).

Specific roles include:

- Maintaining the information on the MMA website to ensure it is timely and accurate. (Currently this is accomplished via email through our contracted webmaster, Ryon Gross
- Common updates include, but are not limited to: Annual Meeting registration info, calendar of events, board and committee members, etc.
- Encourage and support participation in the Association's list server. Currently, messages can be distributed to the group through the list server via email. The list server's name is MissouriMappersAssoc-L and it is maintained at the University of Missouri.

## Education Committee Report

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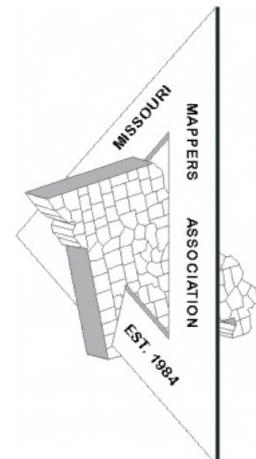
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Erica Haag—Education Chair

The **Education Committee** works to furnish educational opportunities by providing and/or sponsoring regional workshops and other education opportunities throughout the state. Specific roles will include:

- Contacting general membership (through email, questionnaires, personal contact, etc.) to determine their education needs and requests so that MMA can establish workshops, seminars, etc. to benefit the membership
- Coordinate with other Mapping/GIS organizations in the state to provide MMA members with educational information and opportunities



Find out how they work behind the scenes at Google Maps.

Source: <http://morfer.org/blog/>

## Map Talk!

### Tips and Tricks of ArcMap for the Beginner

I was excited to hear that Tips and Tricks for mapping and GIS may become a permanent column in our newsletter. I believe every one of us can contribute something that will make all of our work more efficient and easier. Because this is the first column, I decided to gear it toward the beginner GIS user. I teach Intro to GIS at State Fair Community College, so my expertise is more of an introductory nature. These are some general tips and time-savers for the beginner.

The first thing my students always ask me when they begin using ArcGIS, is how to find their table of contents after they have accidentally closed out of it. I remember when I first started using ArcMap, calling tech support frantically thinking I had done something irreparable. If you ever “lose” the table on contents, here is how to recover it. Click on Window in the top ArcMap toolbar. Then click on Table of Contents.

A simple thing that saves time is setting up your commonly used scales. On the standard toolbar, if you click on the drop-down arrow next to the scale display, click on Customize this List. Then set your own commonly used scales. My favorites are 1:1000, 1:4000, 1:12,000, and 1:24,000. This is helpful when printing out maps.

Another useful ArcMap tool is Bookmarks. Bookmarks save the area on the map where you are working. If you move elsewhere on the map, you can quickly get back by using the bookmark. To create one, navigate to the area on the map you are working. Click on Bookmarks in the ArcMap main menu. Then click Create. You can name it, and come back to it easily anytime. I use bookmarks when I am working on a difficult legal description, or when I am adding in a new subdivision. If I am interrupted, I can go back to the area quickly. Another great thing about bookmarks is the ability to share them with others. For instance, you can email a co-worker who is working on the same project a bookmark with the area in question saved. To do this, click on Bookmarks, Manage. Choose the bookmark, then choose Save Selected from the Save drop-down. You can then add your bookmark as an attachment in an email.

The next tip for GIS has to do with snapping layers. When plotting out parcels and legal descriptions, it is useful to have your cursor snap to certain layers. Personally, I have parcels, lots, Public Land Survey (PLS) sections, quarters, and quarter quarter corners set. You can set snapping layers by clicking Editor on the Editor toolbar, and then choosing Snapping. Another handy tip, is that you can move your snapping layers up or down in the snapping window. Set the ones with the most importance at the top. This will make your cursor (or sketch tool) snap to the top layers first. Another thing related to snapping: If you wish to temporarily suspend snapping, hold down on the spacebar. This can be helpful when you are trying to trace an object.

The final timesaving tip I wanted to share is the ability to customize ArcMap. I have found that it helps to have my commonly used tool buttons displayed. You can do this without having tons of toolbars constantly displayed, taking up map display area. If you click on View, Toolbars, Customize, this opens up the Customize window. With this window open, you can drag control buttons around on any toolbar or drop-down menu. I have found it is handy to have the Start Editing, Stop Editing, and Save Edits buttons on the Editor toolbar, rather than having them in the Editor drop-down.

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## Map Talk!(continued)

This allows for one-click editing options. The ability to customize also allows you to remove the buttons that you do not use much.

I hope this article helps out some beginning GIS users. Happy mapping!

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**If you have tips and tricks for mapping or for GIS, please share them for future Map Talk columns! To submit a tip or if there is a specific topic you would like to see, please contact: Melissa Johnson—[mjohnson@colecounty.org](mailto:mjohnson@colecounty.org) or call me at 573-634-8901**

## Legislation Committee Report

In the House of Representatives the following may have an impact on Assessors have been filed:

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*Ken Olive—Legislative Committee Chair*

The **Legislation Committee** keeps apprised of any current legislation involving mapping and informs the membership of such. Members are on occasion asked to notify their legislators in support of or opposition to proposed legislation. Additional roles include:

- Reviewing pending legislation to determine how it could affect MMA and how it's members perform their mapping duties
  - Work with sister organizations on mutually agreed on legislation
  - Send monthly reports to Committee Chairpersons and the Executive Board on any legislation that could influence mapping in the state, while the General Assembly is in session and also sends a full report to be published in quarterly news letter
- Please note that the 2009-2010 board did not hire a lobbyist to report legislation to MMA

## Publication Committee Report

The **Publication Committee** is responsible for compiling, publishing and distributing the quarterly newsletter for MMA. Specific roles include:

- Compiling submitted committee reports, articles, advertisements and tidbits into the MMA News.
- Email requests are typically sent out to all Executive Board Members and Committee Chairs requesting newsletter reports.
- Managing the advertising database (digital spreadsheet that shows all advertisers, who has been contacted, who has paid, etc.)
- Advertising contracts and letters must be sent to prospective advertisers each year to keep advertisers current
- Distributing quarterly newsletters to the general member-

I am still looking for assistance with the MMA Newsletter. I would love to see more articles submitted for the newsletter. I have several ideas for types of articles. Some suggestions are: technology, tips and tricks on both pen and ink and digital mapping, showcasing things local governments may be doing or maybe something an individual mapper is doing that is exciting and innovative, or partnership opportunities with other local or state/federal government agencies. In order to continue to provide a quality newsletter reader input is needed. If you can help me out with ideas or articles, please contact me at [mjohnson@colecouny.org](mailto:mjohnson@colecouny.org) or phone 573-634-8901.

Thank you!  
Melissa Johnson, Publications Chair

## Treasurers Report

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| Balance as of 10/14/2011       | \$21,330.03 |
| Total Receipts                 | \$206.00    |
| Balance + Receipts             | \$21,536.03 |
| Disbursements                  |             |
| Sue Ann Stokes (mileage)       | 86.72       |
| Midland GIS Solutions          | 78.47       |
| Lisa Chapman                   | 437.45      |
| Judy Cady                      | 25.00       |
| Postmaster US Post Office      | 65.00       |
| MO MAPPERS                     | 42.79       |
| Alice Scheulen                 | 4.00        |
| Doug Bowerman                  | 9.50        |
| Missouri Assessors Association | 125.00      |
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Lisa Perry, Treasurer

## 2012 Missouri Mappers Annual Meeting

July 24th—27th

at the

Resort at Port Arrowhead,

Lake Ozark, Missouri

*More information will be coming soon!*

## Southwest Chapter Report

SWMMA Chapter meeting was held at 1:00pm Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at the Lawrence County Judicial Building, 240 N Main, Mount Vernon, Missouri. Prior to calling the meeting to order, Aaron Austin of Austin Surveying spoke on mapping accuracy and the Missouri State Plane Coordinate System. After his presentation, Aaron answered questions from the attendees.

Following the program, the SWMMA Chapter meeting was called to order with 12 attendees present. The minutes from that last chapter meeting were read and approved.

Under Old Business, Brenda Dryer reported on the workshops at 2011 MMA Conference and commended MMA President Sue Ann Stokes on the great job she is doing in preparation for next year's conference. Lawrence County Assessor, Doug Bowerman, stated he is pushing all Missouri Assessors and staff to attend the 2012 MMA Conference.

Under New Business, there was discussion about Chapter Pictures to be taken at the next meeting for the Assessor's book. Although it was too late to make plans for the upcoming November 16<sup>th</sup> National GIS Day, we will discuss ideas for 2012 National GIS Day at our next meeting.

Brenda Dryer brought up the idea of geo-caching at the next MMA Conference.

Our next meeting is tentatively set for March 23, 2012. Meeting was adjourned and refreshments followed.

*Barbara Kaszuba, PMM*  
*SWMMA President*



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## Cadastral Standards Update

A stakeholders meeting was held in Jefferson City on January 12, 2012 regarding the Cadastral Mapping Standards draft that is currently in development. At that meeting we reviewed the working copy of the draft standard posted on Google Docs (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1e9fj1ErGveZB0jgrEijG-XucnlfMzgCIXnrlxoOhl0k/edit>) where comments have been made. Darrell Pratte also presented his updated version (<http://www.dnr.mo.gov/geology/docs/10csr35-1010Draft01-10-12.pdf>). We went through the comments on the Google Docs draft and discussed as a group whether or not to make changes. We were able to finish going through the draft and could have a new draft for our next meeting.

The next Cadastral Standards meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 9, 2012. Location has not been determined yet, but check the DNR website at <http://www.dnr.mo.gov/geology/landsurvey/lsp-rules-in-dev.htm> for updates. There is a teleconference option so if you can't join the meeting in person, phone in and get in on the discussion! *Melissa Johnson*

## Lake Area GIS User's Group LAGUG

The Lake Area GIS User's Group (LAGUG) had its first meeting on January 19, 2012 in Camden, MO.

Dave Bullington did a presentation on LiDAR educating the group on the different derivatives of LiDAR data and the applications for which they work best. The group hosted around 20 people for its inaugural meeting.

There was lively discussion about GIS in the Lake of the Ozarks area and the need for orthophotography. The group decided that it was going to be a worthwhile effort so has scheduled its next meeting on February 23, 2012 to be held at the Camden County Courthouse in the old courthouse building at the corner of Business Hwy 5 and US Highway 54 in the old courtroom on the third floor at 10:00 AM.

All are welcome! Please contact Leslie Chamberlin at (573)317-3814 or [leslie\\_chamberlin@camdenmo.org](mailto:leslie_chamberlin@camdenmo.org)



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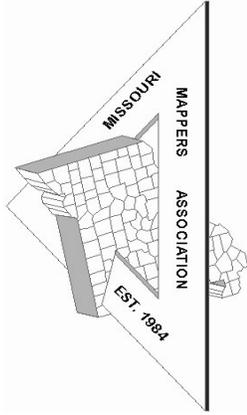
## MGISAC Local Government Committee

Data sharing is a perpetual hot topic. Like other things we model with GIS, the conditions, issues, and circumstances behind data sharing are more complex, operating at multiple scales with even more stakeholders, than a simple map or diagram can easily convey. Among the issues are what is shared and how it is shared, frequency of data exchange, interpretations of open records laws, cost recovery, licensing, and rights retention. These issues appear between political units of the same order (between cities, between counties, between states) as well as between different orders (between cities and counties, cities and states, counties and states) that introduce even more feelings, histories, and perceptions.

The Local Government Committee of the Missouri GIS Advisory Council (MGISAC) is working to document and explain these different considerations and variables in white paper with a neutral voice that can be used as a baseline for advancing discussion of the topic. The June MGISAC meeting will focus on a discussion of these issues.

Anyone is welcomed to attend MGISAC meetings and "phone in" is available. Go to [www.mgisac.org](http://www.mgisac.org) to find a calendar that shows when these meetings are held. If you would like to get in on the data sharing discussion please contact any of the MGISAC Local Government Committee members. Matt Gerike (City of Columbia), Jason Warzinik (Boone County), Leslie Chamberlin (Camden County), or Melissa Johnson (Cole County).

*Matt Gerike*



# 2011-2012 OUTSTANDING BOSS OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The "Outstanding Boss of the Year" award is presented at the Missouri Mappers Association annual conference. It is presented to honor the "Top Boss" who has displayed outstanding leadership abilities. 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.

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

I believe \_\_\_\_\_ should be nominated for "Outstanding Boss of the Year" because \_\_\_\_\_

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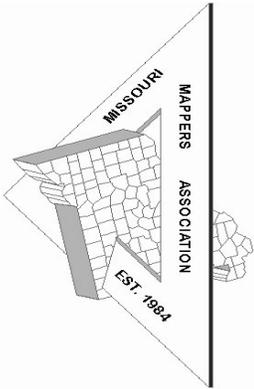
Your Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mail Application to:**

Katie Shepherd, MMA Awards  
Midland GIS Solutions  
501 N. Market  
Maryville, MO 64468  
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# 2011-2012 OUTSTANDING MAPPER OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The "Outstanding Mapper of the Year" award is presented at the Missouri Mappers Association annual conference. 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.

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Employer of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Missouri Mappers Association Board Meeting Minutes, January 20, 2012

The Missouri Mappers Association held its quarterly board meeting on Friday, January 20, 2012 at the Cass County Courthouse with a quorum of executive board members in attendance.

Members present were: Lisa Chapman

Members joining via conference call were: President Sue Ann Stokes, President-Elect Lisa Chapman, Secretary Brenda Dryer, Treasurer Lisa Perry, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year Directors Melissa Johnson & Diedra Volkart.

President Sue Ann Stokes called the meeting to order at 10:03AM.

### Secretary Report:

The January 20, 2012 minutes were read by all before our meeting.

The Board approved the minutes.

### Treasurer Report, Lisa Perry reported:

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### Committee Reports:

#### Annual Conference Report, Kacie Neel and James Theissen reported:

They reported that Port Arrowhead contacted them and wanted to pin down if we were going to renew our contract. Sue Ann would be calling for a deadline. Kacie is going to send out Save-the-Date emails for the conference. See Old Business for continuation of report.

**Awards**, Sue Ann reported for Katie: No report

**Certification**, Marti Suiter: No report

#### Education, Erika Hagg reported:

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**Historical**, Barbara reported for Carla:

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**Legislation**, Sue Ann reported for Ken Olive:

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If there is someone else you want a report sent to, please let me know. I will try to keep up on the bills and resolutions as they are filed and as they move through the hearing process and send out updates as I can.

**Membership**, Kacie Neel reported: There are 118 members paid and 86 have not.

**Publication**, Melissa Johnson reported: Melissa needs assistance and more ideas for the newsletter. Sue Ann offered to send a mass email to contributors and chapter members. Kacie also suggested getting a whole of Karris for an article on Arc 10.1. Kacie also suggested putting a more personal feel in the newsletter. Dead line for upcoming newsletter is set for Monday January 30<sup>th</sup>.

Committee reports approved.

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## Missouri Mappers Association Board Meeting cont.

### Chapter reports:

East Central: Richard Kramer no report

West Central: Kacie Neel no report

South West: Barbara Kaszuba reported:

North East: Sandra Lanier no report. Sue Ann did mentioned that Sandra has offered to take pictures at the conference.

North West: Brian Lomas no report

Chapter reports approved.

Old Business: We discussed about Port Arrowhead needing an answer for the 2013 conference date. It was the consensus of the board to check into prices and location of the meetings and then take a vote via email. Lisa Perry made a motion to keep it at Point Arrowhead upon prices are approved. Sue Ann is going to call get information and send out a mass email for vote. Following is the first information that was received.

Good Morning Everyone,

I just got off the phone with Cathy and she's reserved Meeting Rooms A-D, the Missouri Room, the Dogwood Room and the Ozark Room for the 2012 Annual Conference. Kacie and James, the Annual Conference Committee Chairs have indicated they'd like those rooms this year. Cathy said the Ozark room would work well for the dinner on Thursday night and Meeting Room D would work well as our big meeting room. I'm sure Kacie and James will have that all figured out. You can go to The Resort's website and look at the room layout under the Meeting Rooms tab.

The dates for 2013 are July 23rd to July 26th and she's reserved the same rooms for then as well. We have to confirm 2013 with The Resort by February 25, 2012. I'd like to go ahead and get it done this week. A motion was made and passed at our meeting on Friday, January 20th, 2012 to stay at The Resort at Port Arrowhead for 2013 contingent on price. I'm forwarding the contract for all to review. The rooms are staying at \$86.00 a night and the one time set up fee per exhibit table is \$10.00. I believe it was \$15.00 last year. Having said all that it looks to me like we're good to go as far as price.

I've not see previous contracts or agreements so I'd ask those of you (I'm assuming Katie and Lisa Chapman) who have to please look over these and compare to make sure I'm not missing something important. I'm assuming the food prices are guaranteed 90 days prior to the conference?? Once everyone has had a chance to look at the contract/agreement I'd like to take a vote via email for the 2013 MMA Annual Conference to stay at The Resort at Port Arrowhead.

2<sup>nd</sup> set of information received.

Change of plans...I'd like to check into one more place before we decide. I've contacted Tan-Tar-A Resort at Lake of the Ozarks and I'm currently waiting on a proposal from them before we make any decision.

No report on MMA brochure.

### **New Business:**

Touching base on the Annual conference booklet. Consensus not to redo a hard copy, more people would rather check it out on the Missouri Mappers site.

Sue Ann will be contacting people this week for the Nomination Committee.

The next scheduled board meeting TBA.

Sue Ann Stokes made a motion to adjourn and the Board approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45am.

## MMA Braggin' Board

### New Arrivals! Future Missouri Mappers??



### Congratulations!

Lisa Chapman, MMA President Elect, will marry Rick Mendpara on July 21st at the Hindu Temple of Kansas City in Shawnee, Kansas.  
*Best wishes on your upcoming nuptials!*



Do you have exciting news you would like to share? Please send your information to me at [mjohnson@colecounty.org](mailto:mjohnson@colecounty.org).



Jade Elizabeth Pace-Johnson born November 8th, 2011.

Weight 7lbs 2oz & 21in long

Proud Grandparents are Melissa & Ron Johnson and Patricia and Matt Taylor.

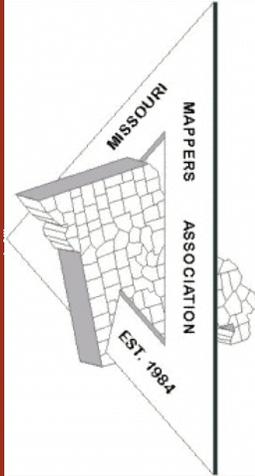
Proud parents are April Johnson and Anthony Pace.



Alayna Marie Wolfgang, born November 30th 2011  
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