## MISSOURI MAPPERS Association

## Letter from the President, Frank Adam

I am truly honored to be chosen as the 2008/2009 president of the Missouri Mappers Association. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sarah Murray for her wonderful leadership and hard work over the past year. I would also like to thank all of the outgoing committee chairpersons for their efforts.

As your president, I want to encourage input from all members. Please do not hesitate to contact me with your thoughts and concerns. I can be reached at 573-458-6147 or at

frank.adam@phelpscounty.org.

The officers of the Association are as close as your telephone or email, so please contact us with any questions or suggestions. Your input is vital and we want to hear from you.

I would like to take this opportunity to outline my goals for the coming year:

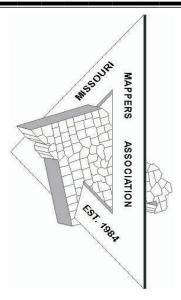
1. Increase our membership.
New members bring new ideas and can help us build and improve our organization. Please encourage your co-workers to become involved in MMA. Let's reach out to non-participating counties and encourage them to join

MMA. If you know any Surveyors or mappers engaged in the private sector, encourage them to join.

- I would like to encourage any qualifying member to take the PMM test and get the Professional Missouri Mapper designation.
- I would like to see more educational workshops facilitated, particularly in the areas of mapping and GIS.
- Encourage more members to become involved with the Executive Board and our various committees. New ideas are always welcome.

This is our 25<sup>th</sup> year as an organization. Let's make it our best year yet!

Frank Adam, PMM
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PMM EXAMS!

## **Certification Committee Report**

I would like to encourage anyone who has the qualification to take the PMM test to fill out the application and send it to me. We will be testing applicants in April 2009. The date and place will be announced later. I will need to receive applications no later than January 30, 2009.

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## **Executive Board Meetings**

The 2008-2009 MMA Board Meetings will be held on the following dates, subject to scheduling conflicts:

- October 3, 2008
- January 9, 2009
- April 3, 2009

All meetings are at 11:00 A.M. at the Phelps County Court House. All members are welcome!!!

To attend, call or e-mail Frank Adam with any questions at 573-458-6147 or

Frank.adam@phelpscounty.org

## Frank A Adam, PMM Biography

I was born and raised in Rolla MO. I currently live on the land that my great-grandfather settled on in 1886. I graduated from Rolla High School in 1978, and received an Associate's Degree from East Central College in 1994. Upon graduation, I went to work for the Phelps County Assessor's office as a mapper. I am currently the mapping supervisor, E911 coordinator and GIS coordinator for Phelps County. I joined MMA in 1995, and I served as MMA Historical Committee Chair 2006/2007, and as MMA vice-president 2007/2008.

## Post Jobs on the MMA Website!

Your company or organization can post a job opening on the MMA website. Just email your job description/information to Katie Shepherd at <a href="mailto:shepherd@midlandgis.com">shepherd@midlandgis.com</a>. The fees for job posting are as follows:

MMA Members: \$25.00 Non-Members: \$50.00

This is a great opportunity to hire someone in the Missouri spatial community to fill your position! Jobs will be posted for 6 months or until the position is filled and we are notified to remove the posting. Jobs will not be posted online until payment is received. Please mail all checks to Katie Shepherd, MMA Treasurer at Midland GIS Solutions, 501 N. Market, Maryville, MO 64468. Checks should be made payable to Missouri Mappers Association. Thank you!

## A. Candidate Application Requirements for the PMM Designation

 Applicant must be a member in good standing of the Missouri Mappers Association and must make formal application for candidacy. these applications are available from the Committee Chairman.

2. Applicant must submit a candidacy application form with appropriate fee.

## **B.PMM Designation Requirements**

To qualify as a Professional Missouri Mapper, a person shall complete all of the requirements listed below. The minimum requirements for PMM designation are:

- 1. Have five (5) full years of cadastral mapping experience or it's equivalent.
- 2. Be engaged in the use, production or maintenance of maps.
- 3. Attend a minimum of 30 hours of study in mapping, surveying or a closely-related subject.
- 4. Successfully complete a certification examination which will be established and revised when necessary by the Certification Committee.

## C. Certification Examination

A validated examination is necessary to test the applicant's knowledge of cadastral mapping principles and techniques. The examination for the PMM Designation requires seven hours to complete and is composed of three parts briefly described as follows:

## Part I (1 hour & 15 minutes)

A 90 question comprehensive, multiple choice and true/false test that will test your general knowledge of mapping worth 100 points.

## Part II (4 hours & 30 minutes)

A 16 question, 200 point compilation exercise designed to test your analytical and technical abilities.

## Part III (1 hour & 15 minutes)

A 50 point inking exercise designed to test your craftsmanship and skill.

A score of 70% or 245 points out of the possible 350 shall be required to pass. The examination may only be taken once within any 12 month period only after all other requirements have been met. It may be given in more than one location on the same day depending on need and location of applicants. The time and locations will be determined by the Certification Committee. Efforts will be made to give the examination in locations convenient to the candidates.

## **CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT**

I,, the undersigned, herby apply for admission to candidacy for the professional PMM designation. I certify that the information given in the application is true and correct. I agree that any information requested of me by the Certification Committee in the future will be submitted in a timely manner and will be true and correct.
It is agreed that the designation, if conferred upon me, and any certificate or emblem of designation, should at all times remain the property of MMA held by me on trust, and will be returned to MMA upon demand of its Executive Board.
I enclose the sum of \$25.00 to cover the admission fee. It is understood that the \$25.00 admission fee will be refunded to me in full in the event that I am not admitted to candidacy.
It is agreed that I will abide by the rules of the Certification Committee concerning the use and evidence of the professional designation that I may be awarded.
In submitting this application, I state to MMA that there are no outstanding material challenges to my professional responsibility, character, or integrity pending against me, except as explained in attached statement dated (If none, insert the word "none" in the preceding space.)
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Congratulations to the award recipients at the 24th Annual Missouri Mappers conference.

The Mapper of the Year award was presented to Stan Balsman with SEMO Regional Planning.

The Boss of the Year award was presented to Donald Davis, Assessor in Jasper County.

The Fireball award was presented to Frank Adam with Phelps County.

The Annual Meeting award was presented to Karen Fouts with Sidwell.

Sarah Murray was recognized with a plaque for serving as **President of MMA for the 2007-2008 year**.

Gladys Smith, Assessor in St. Clair County, was recognized with a plaque for her years of service on the **Membership Committee**.

Shane McDermott with Mid-West GIS was recognized with a plaque for his years of service on the **Publication Committee**.

**Committee chairs and board members** were presented with certificates of appreciation, and board members received gifts of appreciation.

Congratulations to all who worked so hard to make this a successful year, and thank you for a job well done!

Lisa Chapman

Awards Chairperson (2008/2009)

## Situation Wanted

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314-646-1883 (home) or

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## **Education Committee**

Jay Riester is the 2008-2009 Education Committee chairperson. Jay's Geography background since 1996 has been 3/4 in actual mapping/gps data collection and 1/4 in GIS. Jay has some thoughts on what makes our GIS more accurate by understanding the accuracy of the data behind it, etc.

Scott Smith who is now one of our sales reps in the Belton, MO office has the opposite background. He was a GIS coordinator for the City of Lenexa KS for 15 years and has some GPS data collection background.

Jay thinks that with the number of users and vendors we have in MMA we could easily have 1 workshop every quarter. This same workshop could be held in more than one location, too. Long term, this might also include some involvement from ESRI, the State GIS User Groups and/or Universities too.

If anyone has any other Mapping Education topics they would like to see presented, please feel free to contact Jay with your ideas. Here are some possibilities that Jay is considering:

- Coordinate Systems/Datum's/Projections
- GPS/High Accuracy Mapping this could include the A to Z -- project planning, Best Practices of data collection, post processing and export etc.
- Importance of GPS/GIS Metadata.

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## **Membership Committee Report**

Renewal letters were sent out the first week of September. If you are not a current paid up member please consider sending in your renewal so we can keep you informed of Missouri Mapper happenings via newsletters. If your office receives a letter addressed to someone who is no longer affiliated with your office, please let me know so I can delete them off of the membership roll. If you have anyone new in your office and would like to have them join feel free to make copies of the membership form. If you aren't sure if you renewed, please check the mailing label on your newsletter to see if it is Exp 8-1-09. If not, that means it is not current. Thank you for your help in keeping the records current.

Respectfully submitted,

Gladys Smith

St Clair County Assessor

Missouri Mappers Membership Chairperson

# MISSOURI MAPPERS ASSOCIATION TREASURER'S REPORT September 11, 2008

BALANCE 8/8/08 \$24,521.36

RECEIPTS \$1,355.31

DUES \$ 300.00
CONF FEES \$ 530.00
INTEREST EARNED \$ .31
VOIDED CHECKS \$525.00

(Added back into balance – not deposits)

BALANCE + RECEIPTS \$ 25,876.67

DISBURSEMENTS \$ 9,715.18

ANNUAL MEETING \$ 9,690.18 WEST CENTRAL \$ 25.00

BALANCE 9/11/2008 \$ 16,161.49

# MISSOURI MAPPERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT - Revised August 8, 2008

Actual Balance on 8	/3/2007	\$26,533.83
BALANCE 8/3/07	(Treasurer's Report)	\$26,555.37

## RECEIPTS \$19,547.62

DUES	\$ 2,690.00
CONF FEES	\$ 7,895.00
EDUCATION	\$ 0
EXHIBITORS	\$ 6,492.00
GOLF TOURNEY	\$ 930.00
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ADVERTISING	\$ 1,430
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INTEREST EARNED \$4.62 WEST CENTRAL \$50.00

BALANCE + RECEIPTS \$46,081.45

## DISBURSEMENTS \$21,560.09

GENERAL EXPENSES	\$ 351.71
ANNUAL MEETING	\$ 15,762.26
AWARDS	\$ 339.65
PUBLICATIONS	\$ 1,646.47
INFO TECH	\$ 400.00
MEMBERSHIP	\$0
CERTIFICATION	\$0
HISTORICAL	\$0
EDUCATION	\$0
LEGISLATION	\$ 3,000.00
WEST CENTRAL	\$30.00
DONATIONS	\$30.00

BALANCE 8/08/2008 \$ 24,521.36

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Our 2008-2009 officers being sworn in by Immediate Past President Sarah Murray.



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## PUBLICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Much to our surprise, it is time for the October newsletter. After muddeling through our first newsletter in July, we feel more confident about making it happen this month. We have some ideas rattling around in our heads about things we would like to include in future newsletters. We don't want to disclose any yet, but we want to make the newsletter more than just advertisements. As always, if anyone has an idea for a recurring "column," or just a note included in one newsletter, let one of us know. We will happily work with you to make it happen.

We had a wonderful response to our plan to convert, as much as possible, from paper newsletters to e-mailed PDF format newsletters. As a matter of fact, we have 30 members who are currently receiving an e-mailed newsletter. While this is an excellent start, we would like to see that number much higher. We do still realize that not everyone has e-mail access, but certainly most of you do. Please send either Frank or myself the e-mail address where you would like to receive the newsletter. We can assure you that your e-mail address will only be used by us to send the quarterly newsletter or other official MMA communications. Your e-mail addresses will not be under any circumstances sold or given to anyone else for any use. When we receive your current e-mail address, we will remove your name from the newsletter mailing list. Please send your e-mail addresses to frank.adam@phelpscounty.org, mapping@phelpscounty.org or tim.kean@phelpscounty.org. Thank you all for making this happen!!!

This issue will be mailed out to 272 individuals, and e-mailed to 31 more. It will also be posted on our website, along with newsletters from the past.

Frank Adam, PMM & Tim Kean Phelps County Assessor's Office 200 North Main Street, Suite 126 Rolla, MO 65401

## **Historical Committee Report**

Even though we were able to get a lot of pictures at the Annual Meeting this year, we would still like for you to share yours with us. If you have anything you would like to include in this year's binder (pictures, notes, or almost anything else you might think of), please send it to myself or Frank Adam. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

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# MISSOURI MAPPERS ASSOCIATION Membership Application



The Missouri Mappers Association has the following membership categories: (Please check one)

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		MEMBERSHIP	PO Box 95
		COMMITTEE	Osceola, MO 64776

## 2008 MMA Conference Committee Meeting

Wrap-Up meeting, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Conference committee reviewed the evaluation summaries, and went through the conference schedule to talk about what worked well, what didn't, and what recommendations they might have for 2009. Overall this year's conference went well, despite a lower attendance partly due to elections and ESRI Annual User Conference occurring the same week.

### Tuesday

#### "Early Bird" reception

- Turnout at this event was low, due in large part to the election.
- MMA filled approximately 45 rooms at the Resort that night.

## **Wednesday**

#### Workshops

- Registration and workshops were well attended. We will continue to offer a variety of workshops at the 2009 conference.
- Seiler very enthusiastic about how the session went, and has indicated they'd be willing to do another in 2009.
- Recommendation: Develop evaluation form for workshops, which can be included in workshop attendee packets and returned to Registration (rather than instructor). This will give MMA opportunity to monitor both quality and content of presentations and quality of instructors.

#### Vendor Reception

- Reasonable amount of traffic that evening, and good food.
- Committee will look into possibly having vendor supported games and activities during the reception next year.

### Bowling

Great turn out again for this event. 34 people registered in advance, many more signed up on site.

#### Thursday

#### Sessions

All session topics seemed to be well received, particularly Tim Haithcoat and the afternoon panel discussion on state GIS standards.

#### **Boat Cruise**

Boat cruise went well, but may want to consider taking a year off again (alternate years)? Celebration Cruises seemed to be more liked than Tropic Island (Resort's boat).

#### Other

Resort anticipates that they'll have Wi-fi available at the hotel in 2009.

Karaoke with "DJ Bob" well received on Thursday night.

### **Friday**

- Low meeting attendance.
- Committee looking into ways to attract more people to business meeting in the future.

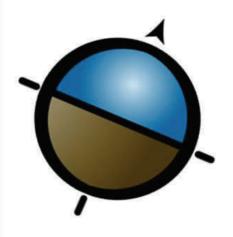
## An Oldie, But A Goodie

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"I note your comment upon the fact that the record of title sent you as applying to the lands under consideration, dates only from the year 1803, and your request for an extension of the record prior to that date."

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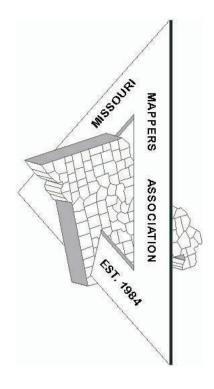
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