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Letter from the President

I'll be back soon!

As many of you know, my husband, Dustin and I, along with big brother, Brody welcomed Aubrey Faith Shepherd into the world on September 12, 2010. She weighed in at 5 lbs 15 ounces and measured 18 ½ inches long. She may be small, but she is definitely the boss around our house! I will be back in the office sometime the week of October 25th so please pass along any important MMA information to the MMA Executive Board.



MMA's 26th Annual Conference

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 26th Annual Conference of the Missouri Mappers Association a success. A special "thank you" to Lisa Chapman in Cass County for taking on the role of Conference Coordinator and Treasurer and for planning such a fun and well-organized event. The Annual Conference Committee did a great job! There were 71 registered attendees at the conference, along with 10 exhibitors having 17 representatives.

Looking Ahead

I look forward to representing the Missouri Mappers Association this year and I am equally excited to have such a dedicated Executive Board and focused committee members to work with. Henry Ford said, **"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself."**

Here are some of my goals for MMA this year. I hope I share the same vision that many of you have for this organization!

Encourage new membership by actively recruiting new members throughout the year and bolstering what MMA has to offer to mappers across the state!

Increase attendance at our Annual Meeting through continued excellence in providing educational opportunities. We had well-received workshops and speakers at our recent Annual Conference and I think that we will continue to draw in a broader audience with an enhanced focus on educational sessions at the 2011 conference.

Increase involvement on various committees - It is never too late to sign up for a committee and actively participate in setting and achieving goals for the organization and its membership.

Make more educational opportunities available for MMA members through other organizations as well as hosting some of our own. This is the first year that the Education Committee has a budget to utilize to work towards this goal.

Encourage qualified members to take the PMM exam. There are some changes to the PMM exam, including the ability to complete the "hands-on" portion electronically, in various formats, including GIS, CAD, etc.

Reminders

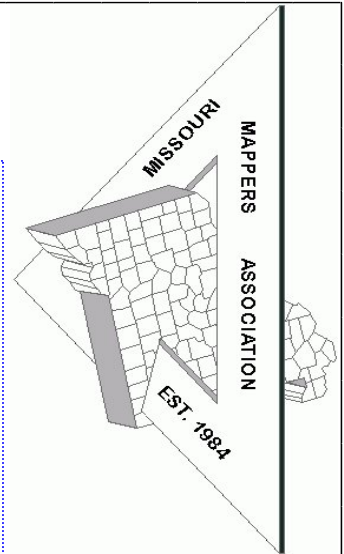
Be sure to check our website often at www.missourimappers.org. We are working hard to keep the site updated so that it can be a useful resource to our members.

Join the MMA List Serve! If you go to the MMA website there is a link under "Current Events" to subscribe to the List Serve. This is an excellent group to share educational events and pertinent mapping information with others across the state.

As a member of MMA, your feedback, suggestions, comments, questions, etc. are welcomed. Please contact the MMA Executive Board anytime. As Don would say, **"Our organization is only as strong as our member's participation."**

Until our next newsletter, enjoy football season and the Holidays that are fast approaching!

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Shepherd
MMA President
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Just a reminder for those who have not turned in your yearly dues, please do so as soon as possible.

If you are not sure if you have paid your dues, please email Kacie Neel at kacie@pettisco.com.

Certification Committee Report

The Certification Committee is working on a digital form of the Professional Missouri Mapper (PMM) exam. If anyone is interested in applying for either exam (manual or digital), please contact me as soon as possible. The PMM exam is typically administered in the spring.

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Respectfully submitted,
 Marti Suiter
 Certification Committee Chairperson

Annual Meeting Committee Report

Thanks to everyone who helped make the 2010 Conference a success! We had great workshops and presentations, and fun social activities. We hope to make next year even better! If you have any ideas for educational session or workshop topics, please contact the Annual Meeting Committee. Thanks to everyone who filled out the online survey following this year's Conference. Your feedback is very helpful and appreciated. Hope to see everyone next year! Feel free to submit any comments or suggestions to me at [li-sac@casscounty.com](mailto:lisac@casscounty.com), or by phone at (816)380-8190.

Respectfully submitted,
 Lisa Chapman
 Annual Meeting Committee Chairperson

Education Committee Report

1. Seiler Instrument will be presenting a GPS Workshop using Trimble Mapping Grade hardware and ArcPad at Saint Louis University.

When: November 2nd from 9am to 3:30pm.

Location: Center for Environmental Sciences building. No Cost but there is a limited number of spaces.

For more information visit: http://www.ces.slu.edu/Workshops/2010_GPS_Nov02.php

2. The Missouri GIS Advisory Committee, Mid-America Geographic Information Consortium and Missouri Mappers Association – and our hosts – the City of Columbia, MO - are pleased to announce that the upcoming Central Regional Geospatial Workshop will be held in Columbia, MO at the Police Training Facility on Wednesday, November 10th, from 8:30 am-4:00 pm. The workshop will be open to all – there are regularly attendees from surrounding states. Registration, when opened, will be on a first come – first served basis.

Registration is now open for the 2010 Central Regional Geospatial Workshop. There is no registration cost for this workshop for those attending, but registration is on a first come – first served basis. Notification of registration opening will come first from the state's geospatial list servers including MOMAPPERS.

Lunch and breaks will be provided at no cost catered locally by Buckingham's BBQ.

3. GIS DAY November 17th at the Cape Career and Technology building 9:00 am to 5:00 pm in Cape Girardeau, MO.

Cape Career and Technology
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Contact Richard for more
 information:

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Jay Riester
 Education Committee Chair

SAVE THE DATE!

27th Annual Missouri Mappers Conference
July 26 - 29, 2011
The Resort at Port Arrowhead
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Watch our website for details
www.missourimappers.org



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- Half- and Full-day Training Workshops
- Poster Showcase and GIS Awards
- Much, much more!

To make this conference a success we need you! Please submit presentations and posters to the appropriate person listed below by December 1, 2011.

Registration materials will be distributed in November.
Check the MGISAC website for updates at: www.mogis.org.

CLICK HERE
for more info

**Registration
Fee Reduced!**

In an effort to be more cost conscious, Missouri GIS has lowered the registration fee from 2009! The early registration fee for the 2011 Conference will be \$150.00. The lodging rate at Tan-Tar-A Resort will be \$74.00 per night.

Presentation Submissions

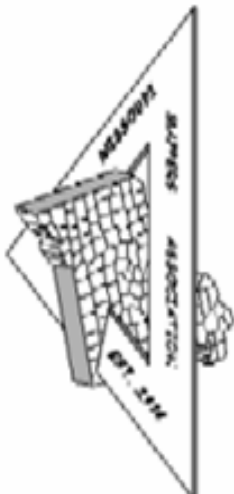
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OUTSTANDING BOSS OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

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 outstanding leadership abilities. Nominees must be a current member of MMA, has 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: _____

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

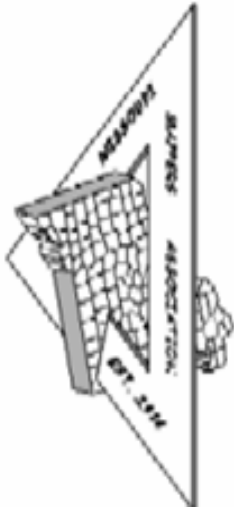
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Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____

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Mail Application to: mma_2010_2011@hotmail.com or
 Brenda Dryer
 Lawrence County
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 Mt. Vernon, MO 65712



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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.

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

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

_____ (Continue on additional sheet if needed)

Signature: _____

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West Central Chapter Report

The West Central Chapter met on October 8th in Fulton, Mo. Joel Zitterich with Vanguard Appraisals, gave a presentation over integrating GIS into CAMA data. After lunch at Sir Winston's Restaurant, the group toured Winston Churchill Memorial. A special thanks to Callaway County for hosting the meeting and Joel for a great presentation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kacie Neel



TREASURER'S REPORT October 7, 2010

BALANCE 7/30/2010 **\$27,985.95**

RECEIPTS **\$ 2,210.00**

DUES	\$ 510.00
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EXHIBITORS	\$ 770.00
SPONSORSHIP	\$ 200.00

BALANCE + RECEIPTS **\$ 30,195.95**

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OVERLAND PARK, KS, September 15, 2010 – **Wilson & Company, Inc., Engineers & Architects** announces Mr. Kenny Legleiter has joined the Survey, Geospatial, and Remote Sensing Division. He has over 11 years of experience in geospatial technology and remote sensing and extensive experience in data development, GIS analysis, project management, project consortium building, and business development.

Mr. Legleiter has worked on projects that include LiDAR, aerial imagery, and hyperspectral technology. He has been instrumental in ACEC and MAPPS award winning projects, has overseen multi-million dollar projects, oversaw development of the Watershed Boundary Dataset as the National Technical Coordinator, was a technical representative for the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service on the National Digital Elevation Program (NDEP), and co-authored *National Standards for Digital Elevation Data* and *Federal Standards for Delineation of Hydrologic Unit Boundaries*.

Mr. Legleiter has worked on projects throughout the U.S. and will continue to do so as part of Wilson & Company. He will primarily be working from the Overland Park, Kansas office.

Celebrating its 78th year, Wilson & Company currently employs nearly 500 staff and maintains 18 offices throughout ten states. They are a full-service, multidisciplinary surveying, photogrammetry, right of way acquisition, engineering, architecture, and construction management firm. For more information, visit www.wilsonco.com.

Publication Committee Report

Greetings to all! I hope this publication finds everyone well and enjoying their tax season... If you have an idea for a recurring "column," or just a note to be included in one newsletter, let one of us know. We will happily work with you to make it happen. We have had a number of submittals of different information for this newsletter... Keep them coming!!!

Most of you will be receiving this newsletter via e-mail. The reason for this is more to save time and paper than to save money. Since most of you work in County Assessor's Offices (as I do), I'm sure you can appreciate the fact that time is at a premium. With that said, if you decide, **for any reason**, that you would rather have your newsletter delivered via U.S. Mail, please contact me. I will gladly remove you from the e-mail list and add you to the mailing list.

In an effort to encourage new membership, I would like to invite you to forward this newsletter to anyone you think might benefit from membership in MMA. Membership is important to build a strong, diverse organization. Thanks!

This issue will be mailed out to 14 individuals, and e-mailed to 201 more. It will also be posted on our website, along with newsletters from the past.

Tim Kean, PMM

Publication Committee Chair

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Lake Valley Deed Challenges Ameren's Claim of Ownership

Nancy Hogland

Although AmerenUE maintains its own numerous parcels that sit below the 670 mark, including land occupied by two Lake Valley Condominium buildings, Developer Dan Foster said, at least in this case, the deed tells a different story. In 1959, Foster's father, Buford Foster, purchased the land where the condominium project now sits from the original owner, Dan G. Stine.

That deed, filed with Camden County on Jan. 18, 1936, is between Union Electric Land and Development Company and Stine. Dan foster said he dug it out after learning AmerenUE was sending letters to Lake Valley condominium owners saying that the condominium project is on a portion of land owned in fee by AmerenUE. "AmerenUE's project boundary at this location is at the 670 contour elevation" the letter states, going on to explain that while Ameren's license to operate grants authority to permit such things as boat docks or seawalls on project lands, it does not allow residential structures. Accordingly, the power company states it opposes construction of structures for human habitation on project property.

The last paragraph of the letter reads, "While at present we do not plan to take any adverse action respecting your residences, we can give you no assurances as to the future. The continued construction and habitation is done at your sole risk and with the specific knowledge that AmerenUE reserves all rights it or others may have to take any action in the future that may be deemed appropriate."

However, although the warranty deed states that the sale covers described parcels that "lie above contour elevation 670 feet," the deed goes on to state that when Union Electric Land and Development Company conveyed land to Union Electric Power and Light, it reserved for "itself, its successors and assigns," the right to use "the surface of said lands for any and all purposes whatsoever, including the erection and maintenance of improvements thereon, provided such use will in no way interfere with the construction, operation and maintenance of the dam." The only considerations are that the taxes on the property must be paid by the person using that property and the use cannot violate the laws of government entities having jurisdiction over those properties.

A representative with the Camden County Assessor's Office said taxes have always been paid by owners of the condominiums occupying the property.

"And AmerenUE has never paid taxes on it," she said.

According to legaldictionary.com, "assigns" are "those to whom rights have been transmitted by particular title, such as sale, gift, legacy, transfer, or cession."

"My dad, who purchased the land from Mr. Stine, would be considered an 'assign.' As such, he - or any other future owners of that property - is allowed the right to build. It's spelled out in black and white," Foster said emphatically, adding "If I've talked to one attorney, I've talked to 20 and they all agree, according to the deed, when you purchased land above 670 you controlled the land below 670."

However, Jeff Green, supervisor of Shoreline Management for AmerenUE, said just because something is stated in a deed doesn't necessarily mean it's factual.

"The county will record any deed," he said, adding that they have found that many times properties have been misrepresented and people did not end up owning what they thought they purchased.

An employee in the Camden County Recorder's Office verified Green's statement.

"As set out by state law, our duty is to keep a record of all land transfers as long as those records meet the criteria established by the state. We do not search out the properties to make sure they are exactly as described on the deed," she said, adding that the "criteria," included the size of the paper to be used for deeds, the margins required, the property description needed and notarization.

"Basically they're housekeeping matters. But as long as a deed follows that format, contains original signatures and is notarized, we have to accept it."

In this case, the deed carries a statement by notary Ruth Smith, who wrote, "before me, a notary public within and for said city of St. Louis, State of Missouri, personally appeared F. J. Boehm to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he is vice-president of the Union Electric Land and Development Co., a corporation of the State of Missouri, and that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors and said F. J. Boehm acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation."

Foster said even without the notary's comment that she personally knew Union Electric's agent, he didn't believe any of the deeds were phony.

"Back then, things may have been handled a little more casually than they are today but you can't tell me that deeds on all these properties were contrived. My day bought almost two miles of shoreline. Some are to 670 and then some read to 664. I think it was all due to the nature of the farmers Union Electric originally dealt with," he said.



This is one of the two Lake Valley Condominium buildings constructed below the 670 contour line, which Ameren UE claims does not comply with their regulations. Nancy Hogland photo.

Education Opportunity

Missouri Broadband Summit National Speakers

Tuesday, October 26th our Plenary Speaker will be Mr. Graham Richard, former Indiana state representative, former mayor of Fort Wayne, Indiana & business entrepreneur with extensive experience in public-private partnerships and broadband technology integration. More information about Mr. Richard can be found at: <http://grahamrichard.com>

Wednesday, October 27th our Keynote Speaker will be Mr. Lee Rainie, Director of the Pew Internet & American Life Project has worked extensively with topics such as Future of the Internet, New Media Ecology and Decision Making. The Pew Internet & American life Project has issued more than 250 reports based on its surveys that examine people's online activities and the internet's role in their lives which can be found at: <http://www.pewinternet.org/>

The Missouri Broadband Summit

This **FREE** event is a 2-day visioning and educational event that will launch the regional planning processes surrounding broadband technology in the state of Missouri. This event is being hosted by the Office of Administration and is intended to not only have presentations from national leadership in Broadband implementation but also have Missouri focused industry and sector based break-outs with presentations, discussions and work sessions toward the framework of formulation of a state broadband plan. This event is open to the public and is intended to help our citizens, industry leaders, regional participants and others understand what broadband technology is, what opportunities it offers, what challenges might be involved with implementing it and how it might benefit all of us in Missouri.

In addition to the Governor, Commissioner Of the State of Missouri, Chief Information Officer, and Commissioner of the Public Service Commission, the Geographic Information Officer and our national speakers there will be:

- A pre-summit session intended to provide an overview and primer of broadband technologies
- A session presenting many of the Broadband Awards in Missouri
- Breakout sessions with industry focused speakers, discussion and working groups in the following sectors:
 - o Broadband for Economic Development
 - o Broadband for Health and Medicine
 - o Broadband for Education and Distance Learning
 - o Broadband for Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness
 - o Broadband for Government & Utilities
 - o Broadband for Agriculture
 - o Broadband for Citizens of Missouri

The Missouri Broadband Summit is October 26 & 27 at the Truman hotel in Jefferson City. *While it is a free event, registration is required and seats are limited (on site registrants will be charged \$30 processing fee).* We encourage the participation of all interested individuals, organizations and agencies.

The Program overview and Registration is available at: <http://transform.mo.gov/broadband/>

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Missouri Mappers Association Board Meeting

Minutes of July 30, 2010

The Missouri Mappers Association held its annual business meeting on Friday, July 30th, 2010 at The Resort at Port Arrowhead in Osage Beach, Mo. President Don Cleveland called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Secretary Sue Ann Stokes took roll call. Board members present were President Don Cleveland, President-Elect Katie Shepherd, Treasurer Lisa Chapman, Secretary Sue Ann Stokes, Director Tim Kean, and Immediate Past President Frank Adam.

Katie Shepherd introduced guest speaker Rich Germinder, Office of Senator Brad Lager. Rich gave a very informative and in depth description of the process that has been involved with the Cadastral Mapping Standards Bill.

Secretary Report:

The minutes from the 2009 Annual Conference were read by Sue Ann Stokes. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report, Lisa Chapman reported:

Balance as of July 31, 2009 \$23,872.27

Balance and receipts total was \$39,247.35

Disbursements were \$9,928.73

Balance as of July 30, 2010 \$29,318.62

Lisa added that The Resort bill is always paid after conference.

The Treasurer report was approved.

Committee Reports:

Annual Conference Report, Lisa Chapman reported:

The Annual Conference was very successful this year. We had great workshops and informative presentations. After the conference a survey monkey will be sent out. We encourage everyone to be honest with their feedback and ideas for any workshops they would like to see in the future.

Awards, Barbara Kaszuba reported:

The awards committee will be presenting awards later in the meeting.

Certifications, Marti Suiter reported:

Marti stated that no one applied for or took the PMM test this year.

Education, Katie Shepherd reported:

Jay Riester has said he is willing to chair the education committee. Katie stated that there are free regional seminars offered during the year by MAGIC and MOGISAC. It would be less than one hundred dollars a session for MMA to sponsor any of these seminars. She added that she feels it would be a push towards education for MMA to be involved in these seminars. Katie made a motion for MMA to set an education budget for five hundred dollars a year. The motion was seconded and a vote was taken. Motion passed.

Historical, Brenda Dryer reported:

Brenda noted that Tim Kean had done an excellent job updating the historical books last year. She has updated and added to it this year. Brenda encouraged everyone to look at the historical books, adding that it is interesting to see the people of years past who have been involved in MMA.

Information Technology, Mark DUEWELL reported:

Mark reported there are approximately 25 people signed up on the list server and added that there are instructions on the MMA website for those who are interested in signing up for it. He also stated they have been working on ideas with the education committee. He gave a special thanks to Ryon Gross for the fantastic changes he's made to the website.

Legislation, Dan Roe reported:

HB 1507 and **SB 1011** failed. **SB 588** was signed by Governor Nixon and becomes effective on August 28, 2010. **HB 1692** was sponsored by Jason Smith, approved by the governor and is effective August 28, 2010.

Membership, Katie Shepherd reported:

Gladys Smith and Belinka Novotny-Held have created a digital copy of the MMA membership list. Katie stated she will be collecting more photos over the next year and the hard copy membership booklet will be available at the annual conference next year. Kacie Neal will be chairing the membership committee this year.

Nominations, Frank Adams reported:

The nominations committee will be presenting nominations later in the meeting.

Publication, Tim Kean reported:

This time last year we were mailing 300 newsletters. We are currently mailing 14 and emailing the rest. Tim stated that if anyone would rather receive a hard copy to let him know. He also stated that if anyone had anything interesting for the newsletter to contact him.

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Missouri Mappers Association Board Meeting

Minutes of July 30, 2010 (cont'd)

Chapter Reports:

East Central Report, Richard Kramer reported:

The East Central Chapter held its first meeting November 18, 2009 at Ryan's Grill Buffet Restaurant, at Festus Mo. Eleven members were present for the presentation given by Lindsay Hunter and Jennifer Kuntz (GIS Best Practices for use in Local Government). Lindsay and Jennifer are both with ESRI in the St Charles office.

South West Report, Brenda Dryer reported:

The South West Chapter has met twice since last year's conference. We voted to serve 2 year terms in our chapter and have big plans to increase our membership. We challenge each chapter to donate a door prize at next year's meeting. This year we donated a basket with each county contributing something that represented their county.

North East Report, Sandra Lanier reported:

There has been no activity in the North East Chapter.

No other chapter reports were submitted.

Committee and Chapter reports approved.

Awards, Barbara Kaszuba presented:

Barbara gave special thanks to Lisa Perry, Carla Palmer, and Alice Lee for their help with the awards committee. Certifications of Appreciation were given to committee and chapter chairs.

Awards went to...

Fire Ball Award- Lisa Chapman

Mapper of the Year- Karissa Logan

Boss of the Year- Kevin Rasmussen

Annual Meeting Award- Lisa Chapman

Presidents Award- Don Cleveland

Nominations & Election of Executive Board of Directors, Frank Adams presented:

President-Elect- Sue Ann Stokes

Secretary- Brenda Dryer

One Year Director- Steven Marsh & Melissa Johnson

There were no nominations from the floor, and votes were cast. Sue Ann Stokes was voted in as President-Elect, Brenda Dryer was voted in as Secretary, and Melissa Johnson was voted in as One Year Director. Frank Adams swore in the entire Executive Board.

Old Business:

-Updated PMM test and new GIS designation/test effort: Marti Suiter reported the Certification Committee of MMA met July 28th, 2010 to discuss the integration of digital mapping into the PMM test. It was the general consensus of the committee that since so many entities are now using digital mapping that we should work out a solution. The committee made the following decision regarding the PMM test. We are Professional Missouri Mappers. Because technology has come to our profession, we will administer the PMM test according to the wishes of the applicant, either manual or digital. The designation will not change and there will be only cadastral mapping questions and compilation required. If the applicant chooses manual testing, the inking portion will still be required. If digital mapping is requested, the compilation will be done on the computer. The applicant will plot out the map for grading. The passing grade will not change. It is also the mutual feeling of the committee members that MMA as a mapping organization should let another, more GIS oriented, organization work on a specific test for a Statewide GIS designation. The PMM Committee will announce to the membership when the digital test will be available.

New Business:

-Should MMA sponsor the MAGIC and MOGISAC regional seminars: This was voted on and passed under the five hundred dollar budget for the Education Committee.

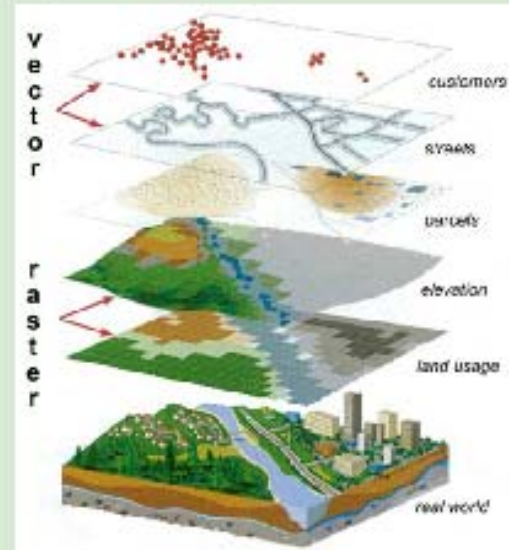
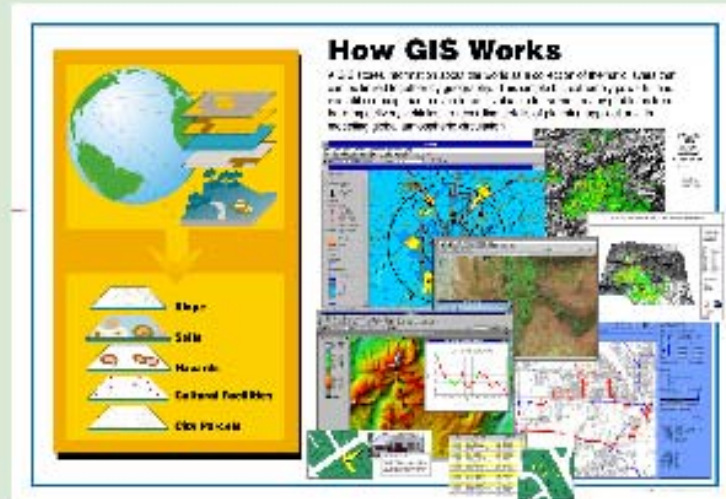
The next Annual Conference meeting will be July 26th through July 29th, 2011 at The Resort at Port Arrowhead.

Katie Shepherd made a motion to adjourn and it was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM

Come Celebrate GIS Day

As part of Geography Awareness Week, GIS Day introduces students, teachers, businesses, local governments and the general public to the importance of GIS as well as introducing people to careers in GIS.

What is GIS? Geographic Information Systems (GIS) integrates hardware, software, and data for capturing, managing, analyzing, and displaying all forms of geographically referenced information.



Who uses GIS? Businesses, Governments, Educators, Scientists, Environmental and Conservation Organizations, Natural Resource Groups and Utilities benefit from using GIS.

When: Wednesday, November 17, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Who is invited to this *FREE* event? Students, Teachers and the General Public.

Schedule: Rooms 110a, 110b, 110c will have GIS Specialists and Vendors available to answer questions and give demonstrations about GIS.

GIS Lab (Room 204) will be open from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. for students to learn about GIS

GIS Lab (Room 204) will be open from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. for teachers who are interested in using GIS in their class room.*

*The Cape Public Schools has a district site license for ESRI's GIS software. It is available to any teacher in the district who wishes to use it as an instructional tool in their class room. Professional Development classes are currently being developed at the CTC. Some are scheduled for the summer of 2011.

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MidAmerica GIS Consortium (MAGIC) Honors Tim Haithcoat with Lifetime Achievement Award

The MidAmerica GIS Consortium ([MAGIC](#)) is a nonprofit educational organization established to foster the applications of geographic information systems (GIS) and related spatial technologies in the mid-continent region. The MAGIC awards, presented biennially at each Mid America GIS Symposium, recognize organizations and individuals who have made especially noteworthy contributions to advancing the application of geographic information technologies in middle America. Each of the nine member states determines how it will caucus to establish the nominations in the following categories:

MAGIC Lifetime Special Achievement: A super majority of MAGIC Steering Committee members must vote to recognize a particularly distinguished individual who has contributed to the furthering of the geospatial discipline over a lengthy period of time.

MAGIC Lifetime Special Achievement - Tim Haithcoat, Missouri Geographic Information Officer (GIO)

Tim Haithcoat, honored with MAGIC's Lifetime Achievement award, has been the director of the Missouri Spatial Data Information Service (MSDIS) since 1995. MSDIS is the state of Missouri's spatial data retrieval and archival system, operating under the guidance of the Missouri Geographic Information System Advisory Committee (MGISAC). Haithcoat also serves the state and the GIS community as Missouri's geographic information officer (GIO). He is often called upon for his expertise in integrating remote sensing and geographic information technologies. He leads efforts for two national groups - National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO) and National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC) - to create an architecture for geospatial technologies that can be incorporated within an already developed national information technology architecture. Haithcoat has represented Missouri at NSGIC and is a core group member of the Missouri State Census Data Center. He is a past MAGIC executive committee member and has served as MAGIC consortium chair and treasurer. Haithcoat has also taken leadership roles in the areas of education and outreach and has provided a number of workshops across the region. He can usually be found involved in most any MAGIC effort.

Haithcoat recently reflected on the honor of this award and its impact and benefit to his career and those professionals he strives to serve in his role: "The 'honor' is being recognized among my peers and being able to join the company of those who came before me as lifetime achievement award winners, such as Jim Merchant, Ed Crane and Rick Miller. Probably the biggest benefit to my career development was through the camaraderie of a group of professionals who came together over MAGIC. Working with the team to put together a symposium that provides a service for practitioners at every level is a great and very rewarding challenge. Through grant funds generated by MAGIC, I have been able to conduct outreach, training, regional workshops, metadata development and many other facets of a geospatial program. Without that support, many of these activities just never would have materialized. I was joking with Ed Crane and stated, 'I guess I can be put out to pasture since my 'lifetime' has been achieved.' He responded with, 'No, you just became a 'lifer' without parole!'"

IT Committee Report

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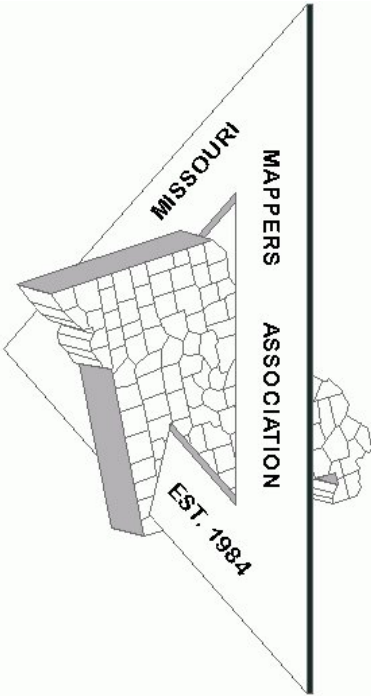
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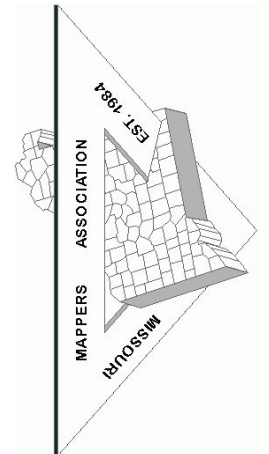
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