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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, summer is finally here. School is out, vacations have started, hearings are over and *the* event of the year is right around the corner. Yes, I'm talking about the Missouri Mappers Association Annual Meeting. Dan Roe has been hard at work and has a tremendous program lined up for us. Make your reservations early for the best seats available!

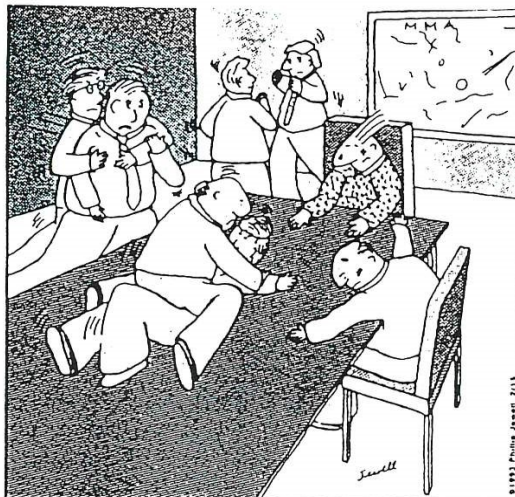
The Mid-America GIS Symposium was a huge success. I was amazed at the quality and amount of information that was made available. One thing is certain, GIS is no longer new technology. The only things new are the applications being developed to make mapping more efficient and cost effective. At the risk of sounding like a broken record, all Assessors, Mappers and Commissioners need to attend this conference. There were a number of MMA members present, but not nearly the number that should have attended. The state of Kansas (Boo! Hiss!) made up nearly 50% of the registered attendees! Let's give those flatlanders a little competition next time.

Remember, the MMA Board is here to serve you the member. In doing so, we need to know what you want and need from the organization. Please do not hesitate to contact any board member if you have an idea or problem that you would like to see addressed.

See you in August,

Randy Mayden

P.S. Anyone that wants to play golf the day before the Meeting give me a call at 816-889-1114.



The Board members finally stopped talking about it and did something.

NOTE FROM THE AWARDS COMMITTEE

Each year an award is given in each one of the 4 categories.

- Education
- Fireball
- Mapper of the Year
- Annual Convention

Mapper of the Year is given to the most "Outstanding Mapper" in the Cadastral mapping field. Fireball is just what the word suggest. Someone with enthusiasm and great energy that keeps things running smoothly and going strong in MMA. Education award is given to an individual who has been outstanding in promoting education through out the year in MMA. The Awards Committee would greatly appreciate any suggestion you might have on who you feel should receive recognition with one of these awards. This would help the Officers and Directors greatly also.

A Couple of years ago the Award Committee started updating their records on who received these awards in years past. We have some holes. If you know who received an award in the vacant years listed, please let one of the committee members know so that it may be put on record.

- 1990 Education-
- Fireball-
- Mapper of the Year-
- 1991 Annual Convention-
- 1992 Education-
- Mapper of the Year-
- Annual Convention-

The Committee hopes to see everyone at the Annual Convention on August 14, 15 and 16, 1996!

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"WHAT DO WE DO HERE? CAN YOU WAIT A FEW MINUTES- I'LL GO FIND SOMEONE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION."

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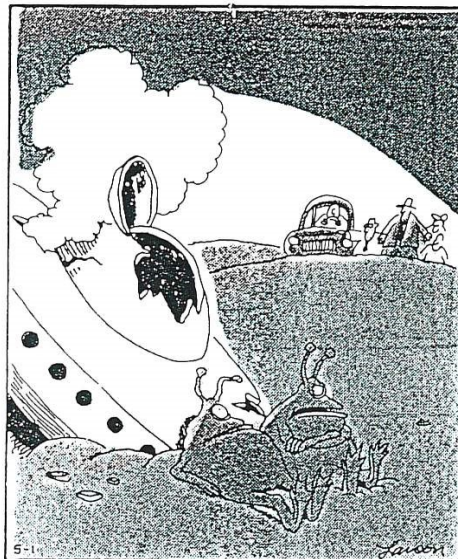
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THE FAR SIDE / By Gary Larson



"I can't believe it! One lousy little bee gets inside and you just freak out!"

OUTSTANDING MAPPER OF THE YEAR AWARD

APPLICATION

The "Outstanding Mapper of the Year" award is to be presented yearly at the Annual Meeting and is to honor an individual who has displayed outstanding qualities in the cadastral mapping field. The Award Committee will review the applications and make a recommendation to the officers and board of directors for this award winner.

Nominations will be accepted by employers or peers until July 15, 1996. Please keep in mind that nominations for this award requires no specific qualification, but the person who makes the nomination should write a brief paragraph on why he or she feels this nominee merits the Outstanding Mapper of the Year award.

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

Employers address: _____ Phone Nb. _____

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

(Continue on additional sheet if needed.)

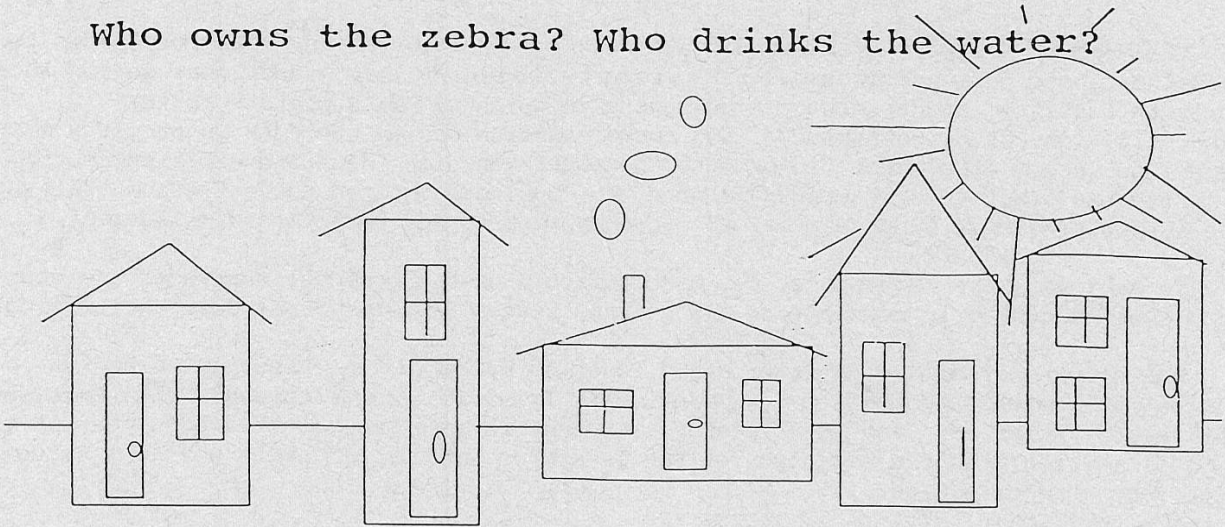
Signature: _____

Address: _____ Phone Nb. _____

Mail applications to : Stephanie Trejo, PMM
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BRAIN TEASER

Who owns the zebra? Who drinks the water?



- the zebra lives next to the goat
- the man who drinks coffee lives next to the blue house
- the horse grazes in the empty lot next door
- the chinese man drinks tea
- the purple house is next door to the green house
- the english man and his goat live next door to the cat
- the swiss man lives in between the english man and the french man
- in the blue house, they drink tea
- the man who drinks coffee has a neighbor who drinks milk
- the doublemint chewer lives in between the winterfresh chewer and the wrigleys chewer
- the french man drinks orange juice
- the blue house is in between the red house and the yellow house
- the owner of the dog chews big red
- the yellow house and the purple house are on end lots
- the cat's owner drinks milk and he lives next to the red house
- the italian lives in the yellow house, next to the man who chews wrigleys
- the italian chews big red and the dentene chewer drinks orange juice
- the man who lives in the green house, to the right of the red house, chews winterfresh
- the dog lives next to the man who drinks tea and the horse lives next to the milk drinker
- the italian lives with his dog on an end lot
- one of the chinese man's neighbors drinks water

MISSOURI MAPPERS ASSOCIATION

The Missouri Mappers Association is a non-profit organization. Its purpose is to bring together those persons concerned with property mapping in 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.

To achieve these objectives, the Association sponsors regional workshops and courses, publishes a quarterly newsletter, and has instituted a professional designation program.

MMA operates from a constitution and a set of by-laws. 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 the Directors who each serve a two-year term of office.

Each year, the President appoints several standing committees. These include Annual Meeting, Awards, Certification, Education, Legislation, Membership, Publication, Historical and CADD.

The Annual Meeting Committee oversees all of the many responsibilities for the annual membership meetings. They endeavor to provide the membership with an enlightening, rewarding, and entertaining gathering.

The Awards Committee has the difficult task of choosing the recipients for the awards which are presented each year at the annual meeting.

The Certification Committee is responsible for administering the Professional Missouri Mapper designation program. To acquire a designation, candidates must have a certain amount of experience and education, and complete a comprehensive mapping examination.

The Education Committee works to furnish educational opportunities by providing regional workshops which are held several times each year throughout the state.

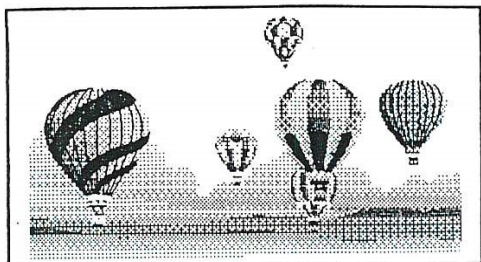
The Legislation Committee keeps apprised of any current legislation involving mapping and informs the membership of such. Members are on occasion asked to notify their legislators in support of or opposition to proposed legislation.

The Membership Committee is constantly working to bring new members into the organization. They maintain the membership records and publish a membership directory annually.

The Publication Committee produces the MMA NEWS, a quarterly newsletter which contains informative, educational, and entertaining tidbits.

The CADD (Computer Assisted Drafting and Design) Committee promotes the use of CADD, and assists with training programs on the use of computerized data in the mapping profession.

The Historical Committee is responsible for accumulating information about MMA and for preserving these records for future memberships.



MISSOURI MAPPERS ASSOCIATION
12th ANNUAL CONVENTION
 AUGUST 14, 15 AND 16, 1996
 HOLIDAY INN EXECUTIVE CENTER
 COLUMBIA, MO

Please complete and return prior to July 15, 1996. Full refunds will be made for cancellation requests prior to July 25, 1996. A cancellation fee of \$15.00 will be charged for requests received on or after July 26, 1996.

Rooms for the Annual Meeting have been set aside at a special rate for Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Rates are \$59.00 plus tax, up to four in a room. Please contact the hotel (573) 445-8531 for reservations before July 14, 1996 to be assured of obtaining a room. Be sure to state that you are with the Missouri Mappers Association to get the special rate.

EACH EMPLOYEE OF AN ATTENDING FIRM, COMPANY OR OFFICE MUST COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____ TITLE _____ JURISDICTION/FIRM _____

WORK ADDRESS _____ HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

WORK PHONE _____ HOME PHONE _____

REGULAR MEMBER (INCLUDES DUES) \$80.00 _____

STUDENT MEMBER (INCLUDES DUES) \$75.00 _____

ADDITIONAL TICKETS FOR SPOUSE/GUEST

THURSDAY LUNCH BUFFET \$10.00 _____

THURSDAY EVENING BUFFET \$24.00 _____

FRIDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET \$10.00 _____

TOTAL REGISTRATION FEES _____

I WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING, ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND MY MEMBERSHIP DUES.

REGULAR \$15.00 _____

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PLEASE COMPLETE INFORMATION ABOVE

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 DAN ROE 2524 HEYING DRIVE COLUMBIA, MO 65202

Missouri Mappers Association 1996 Annual Meeting

Plans for the twelfth annual meeting of the Missouri Mappers are underway. This year the meeting will again be held at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia on August 14, 15 and 16. These dates were selected to coincide with the Wake Up to Missouri U.S. National Hot Air Balloon Championships. There will not be any group activities scheduled for this event but individuals may want to attend before or after the Annual Meeting. Rooms have been set aside at a special rate for Wednesday and Thursday, so be sure to mention Missouri Mappers Association when you call the hotel at: (573) 445-8531.

The registration fee is \$80.00 for regular members and \$75.00 for student members. All registrations include the 1996-97 membership dues of \$15.00. Additional meal tickets are available for your spouse or guest.

Early registration will be held in the lobby area of the hotel Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 8:30 P.M.

PMM Breakfast 8:00 AM

Thursday begins with a breakfast for the Professional Missouri Mappers. Registration will be available for those who arrive that morning. The sessions for the general membership will begin at 9:30 A.M. There will be several speakers as well as the business meeting that morning. There will be a special guest speaker at lunch. In the afternoon the exhibitors will each be given a short time to present their products and services. After the hospitality and evening buffet we are planning a new, exciting activity we hope everyone will enjoy.

After our buffet breakfast Friday morning the general session will begin at 9:15 A.M. and will conclude around noon.

Our plans are to pack as much as possible into a short time and provide a variety of educational as well as entertaining sessions that will be of interest to everyone. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.

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Members, do you have a piece of mapping equipment you have been wanting to sell or buy? If you do, we will advertise it for you in the MMA News free of charge. Simply let us know the name and type of equipment you are advertising along with your name and address and number.

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MidAmerica GIS Symposium

More than 500 people representing a broad spectrum of the GIS community from administration to technicians attended the MidAmerica GIS Symposium. This was the fourth in the biennial series of symposia held April 28th through May 1st, 1996 at the Hyatt Regency at Crown Center in Kansas City, Missouri. Several GIS Short Courses were offered April 28th and 29th. The Symposium was presented by the MidAmerica GIS Consortium in cooperation with the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA) and additional co-sponsors. The MidAmerica GIS Consortium, formed in 1989 to enhance regional interaction, is comprised of representatives from Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma. URISA is an interdisciplinary society of professionals dedicated to stimulating and encouraging the effective application of information technology and integration of information for decision making.

The Symposium agenda included special seminars for administrators and public officials, invited and submitted presentations, discussion sessions, various super sessions, dozens of commercial and non-commercial exhibits, a project showcase and a job mart. The Symposium provided a forum for interaction and information exchange among governmental, educational and private sector users of GIS technologies. It established linkages between people, agencies and firms having similar interests, needs and concerns in GIS implementation and applications.

MMA was well represented at the Symposium with several of our members in attendance. Many in MMA were instrumental in the success of this event by sharing their time and talents serving as planners, presentors, speakers and exhibitors. It is very clear the importance GIS technology is to our future and the future of our organization.

Barbara Kaszuba, PMM
Newton County

Reprinted from Post Dispatch

Dear Bob: When we bought our home last year we received two quit claim deeds. One was signed by the husband. The other was signed by the wife. The house was being sold as part of a divorce settlement. Our attorney, who is not a real estate expert, was not thrilled with our receiving quit claim deeds. He consulted with an attorney for the title insurance company and then told us it was all right to accept the quit claim deeds. But I haven't felt comfortable about the quit claim deeds. Shouldn't we have received some type of warranty deed?

Grant W.

Dear Grant: A quit claim deed conveys whatever title the grantor owns in the property. It can be fee simple absolute title. Or, if the grantor doesn't own any interest in the property, a quit claim deed conveys nothing.

To illustrate, if I give you my quit claim deed to the Empire State Building you will receive no title because I don't own that building. Since a quit claim deed makes no warranties or representations, you wouldn't have any right to receive damages from me for giving you a worthless quit claim deed.

Quit claim deeds are used when the grantor's ownership interest is uncertain or the grantor doesn't want to make any warranties or representations. They are often used in divorce cases, such as your situation.

Your best title protection, regardless of the type of deed, is an owner's title insurance policy. It insures you against unexpected title risks, such as a forged signature (the most common title loss), and others. Stop worrying. A quit claim deed with title insurance is perfectly safe.

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THANKS !

From the Publication Committee:

To our Assessor, Bill Overschmidt; MMA President, Randy Mayden;
The State Tax Reps., our sponsors and everyone who submitted material
or ideas for the newsletters this past year.

We had fun doing the newsletter.

See you at the Annual Meeting!

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