

MMA NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season.

The wheels are in motion for the annual meeting and things are looking good. I hope everybody plans to attend this year at our new location.

The Education Committee is looking for interested people for some classes, so be sure you send your ideas to Kevin. We need to have these classes, as that is a very big part of Missouri Mappers.

Our next Board Meeting will be March 7, 2003, at 11:00 a.m. at the Phelps County Courthouse. As always, all members are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Williams
MMA President



KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN FOR INFORMATION ON THE MISSOURI GIS CONFERENCE.

For members who use GIS, would like to learn more about GIS, or those of you who actually have money in your budgets this year for conferences and training, the 8th Annual Missouri GIS Conference will be held March 24-25, 2003, at the Holiday Inn Select Executive Center in Columbia, MO. I hope all MMA members will be able to attend. The conference will have 5 full-day and 2 half-day shortcourses. The topics for full-day shortcourses are ESRI geodatabase, Intro to Arc GIS, Advanced ArcView 3.3, Auto Desk Workshop and Addressing. Two half-day workshops will be Remote Sensing/DOQs and Mobile Computing. I encourage everyone to sign up for these courses. The courses which teach ESRI software will be conducted by authorized ESRI instructors. The downside of these courses is that you will not receive a certificate from ESRI for your training. The upside of the training is that the cost for the training has been significantly reduced, and the University of Missouri will offer CEU's for the workshops at an additional cost of \$5.00.

Information about the conference can be found as it becomes available at:

<http://msdis.missouri.edu/mogis2003/index.html>

If you wish to enroll in any one of these short courses, don't delay as seating is limited and they usually fill up fast.

WARREN COUNTY GETS NEW ASSESSOR

On January 7, 2003, Allen W. Dreyer was sworn in as the new Warren County Assessor. He was appointed by Governor Holden after Mike Sutherland resigned to take on his new position as Representative in the Missouri House. Dreyer will hold the office until the outcome of the November 2004 election.

Dreyer, a native of Warren County, graduated from Warren County R-3 High School in 1966, attended Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville where he received his BSE with a major in Mathematics and a minor in Business in 1970. In March, 1974, he enlisted in the Army Security Agency and worked as a computer operator for three years (2-1/2 years were spent in Germany).

After his time in the Army, Dreyer started teaching high school mathematics at his alma mater. Following seven years of teaching and receiving a Master's degree from NMSU, he became assistant principal in the high school. Fifteen years later, after receiving his specialist degree, he was junior high principal, retiring in July, 2001.

Dreyer has been married to his wife, Barbara, for 21 years. They have two sons, Blake age 16 and Daniel age 12. All are active members of St. John's Lutheran Church where Dreyer is an Elder, usher & Sunday School Teacher. He is also an active member of the local Democratic Party.

Dreyer's hobbies include playing cards, traveling, watching movies and watching his sons play sports.

Dreyer's vision for the Assessor's office is to keep pace with our growing county. He sees a need to hire and train additional staff members. He also wants to upgrade the current computer software programs and keep moving forward with the GIS.

CHAPTER NEWS

SOUTHWEST CHAPTER-The Southwest Chapter of Missouri Mappers Association recently held a meeting on January 3, 2003, at the Springfield Discovery Center. There were ten members present and four non-members also attended the meeting. During a brief business meeting, Richard Brown of City Utilities was elected Chapter President for 2003-2005, Jeremy Strickland of City Utilities was elected Vice President for the same term, and Henry (Butch) Gebelin of the Stone County Assessor's Office was elected as Secretary/Treasurer. After the business meeting, everyone viewed the exhibit and seven people had educational booths set up for the "Navigating Your World" program for Discovery Center visitors. The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2003, at SW Missouri State University Map Library. More information later.

Submitted by,
Richard Brown
President SWMMA

CENTRAL EAST CHAPTER-The Central East Chapter held its quarterly meeting November 13, 2002, at Frederick's Restaurant in Festus, MO. Thank you to everyone who attended. Attendance was down, so please remember that we have a standing reservation of 25 to meet for the meetings at Frederick's. Please try to attend our next meeting - we need you.

Vice President, Maria Hughes, welcomes everyone attending. President Randy Lewis was not present as he was having surgery. We hope you have a speedy recovery, Randy! Mike Sutherland said the blessing and then we ate a delicious lunch.

Mr. Gene Zimmerman and Mr. Mike Sutherland were given awards for the contributions they have given to CEMMA. This is Mike's last meeting with us and he has been elected State Representative for his district. Best wishes, Mike!

Our speaker was Mr. John Winkler from Clayton U.S. Title. He gave us an educational view of the various types of deeds and their functions. His presentation was well received by CEMMA members. A session following the presentation allowed the members time to ask questions and have Mr. Winkler reply. Also, members expressed a desire to have more presentations such as this. The information we learned today will help us in our daily activities at work. Mr. Winkler also said to call him with any questions about deeds that might arise in the future.

The next CEMMA meeting date was scheduled for March 12, 2003, at the Spirit of St. Louis Airport.

Submitted by,
Sherry Turner
CEMMA Secretary

WEST CENTRAL CHAPTER-The West Central Chapter of Missouri Mappers Association has tentatively scheduled a meeting for February 27, 2003, in Boone County. We will meet with the Chief Appraiser to learn how the casino boats are appraised. Watch your fax machine for further information.

Submitted by,
Deanna DeJarnette
Chairperson WCMMA

COMMITTEE NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE

Plans are underway for the 19th Annual Missouri Mappers Conference. Mark your calendars for July 30, 31 and August 1. The annual meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn SunSpree Resort at Lake Ozark, Missouri.

The agenda promises to include a diverse selection of guest speakers. Presentations include manual and digital mapping techniques for both the beginner and the expert. Some of the topics include: *Chain of Title and What Constitutes and Conveyance; Understanding Deeds, Azimuths & Bearings, and Section & Township Breakdowns; Setting Up a GIS to include the Who's?, What's?, Where's? and Why's?;* and possibly a *GPS Scavenger Hunt*. There will be something of interest for everyone.

Wednesday's agenda includes golf, bowling, half-day workshops, registration and an MMA hospitality room next to the pool. Thursday includes a full agenda of speakers, breaks and hospitality with exhibitors, door prizes and a sunset cruise on the lake followed by dinner. Friday will conclude with breakfast, the MMA business meeting, award presentations, election of new officers, and attendance prizes. We plan to adjourn early so that those who have far to drive will have ample time for a safe return.

It's not too late to send your suggestions or ideas to the annual meeting committee. Contact me at 636-797-5467 or belinkaheld@yahoo.com.

Remember to ***mark your calendars!*** We'll see you at the "Lake of the Ozarks".

Submitted by,
Belinka Novotny-Held, PMM
Chairperson

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE

ADVERTISING PRICES

Business Card	3 issues	\$ 25.00
Less than ¼ Page	3 issues	\$ 50.00
¼ Page Ad	3 issues	\$100.00
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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

A new technology bill, sponsored by Rep. Larry Crawford is in the process of being submitted. Co-sponsors include Rep. Mike Sutherland (former assessor of Warren County), Rep. Carl Bearden (Chairman of the Budget Committee, and Rep. Larry Wilson (former assessor of Hickory County). This new bill is looking very hopeful, partly due to the fact that no state monies are involved.

Also of interest, a lawsuit has been filed through MAC (Missouri Association of Counties) to recover the parcel count monies.

Submitted by,
Darrel King
Chairperson

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

There are currently 237 members with 66 counties in Missouri Mappers Association. Those not current on their membership as of this newsletter have been dropped from the mailing list. If you know of someone who might wish to be put back on, have them send their membership form and money to: Gladys Smith, Membership Chairperson, 5731 SE 450 Road, Osceola, MO 64776.

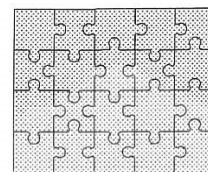
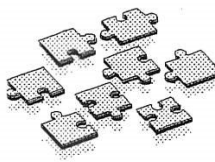
Submitted by,
Gladys Smith
Chairperson

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Just a reminder to all those who are eligible to take the PMM certification test - I am still taking applications and hope this reminder will urge you on a little so we can add to our "OLD" PMM designees.

Submitted by,
Christy Linhart, PMM
Chairperson

MAPPING IS JUST



LIKE A PUZZLE!

COMMITTEE NEWS

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Once again, the Awards Committee is looking for nominations for the Boss of the Year and Mapper of the Year awards to be given out at the 2003 Annual Meeting. There are a few things to keep in mind as you consider your nominations. For both awards, the nominee must have been a member in good standing of MMA for at least one year and they must be attending the Annual Meeting. For the Boss of the Year Award, we are looking for a boss that displays outstanding leadership, management skills and people skills, as well as any other qualities that stand out to you. Please include things that have done to improve your mapping department and any community involvement that they may have. For Mapper of the Year, you may include some of the same qualities but also include what they do in the mapping department on a daily basis that makes them stand out from all of the rest. We also will be looking for nominations for the Fireball award. This award is for that special person that goes above and beyond for the Missouri Mappers Association - not just someone who does a job but someone who really is a "Fireball"

Please send all nominations to Alice Lee, Jefferson County Assessor's Office, P.O. Box 100, Hillsboro, MO 63050 or e-mail at alicelee63066@yahoo.com.

Submitted by,
Alice Lee
Chairperson

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The MMA Educational Committee will be working with Gary Drennan, PMM within the next two months to develop the Basic Mapping seminar agenda. I am calling on MMA members to contact me with information on who would be interested in the basic mapping seminar. I am looking to see what kind of turnout there would be across the state. I am also interested to see if there would be a better turnout to these seminars at the annual meeting. Please contact me at my office through e-mail (preferred), telephone or snail-mail and let me know if you are

interested in the seminars and your geographic location. Please let me know by February 15, 2003, so that I may set aside seminar/shortcourse time at the annual conference, or begin planning seminars around the state.

Once again, topics in the Basic Mapping seminars would include: Basic Mapping Techniques Overview; Simple Curve; Highway Right-of-Way Plans; and Aerial Interpretation. Other topics may include Deed Interpretation; Bearings and Azimuths; and Map Symbols.

Submitted by,
Kevin Kuhlmann
Chairperson

INFO TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

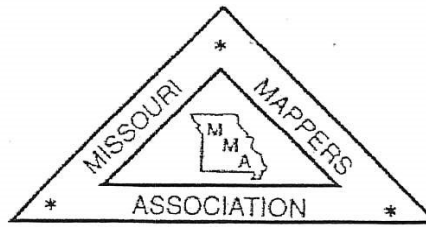
Kevin Rasmussen has been busy periodically posting updates to the website as they are sent his direction. He has been great to post current events in a timely manner, so everyone needs to check the site regularly for updates. We have recently discussed adding the date of these updates to the site so people can quickly scan it to see if any changes have been made since last visiting the website. Kevin got a link to the next annual meeting location so people can look at photos of the Holiday Inn Sun Spree Resort.

CADD Solutions, Inc. has moved their web server and through this move some software changes will impact how Kevin posts updates to the website.

We will have four email links forwarding emails to the president, annual meeting chair, membership chair and the webmaster (Kevin). The website won't post their email addresses, the forward will happen behind the scenes.

I have finally figured out how to scan each individual page of past newsletters and combine them into one pdf file. I had talked with Richard about getting those scanned, but he has not been available to take on that task yet and neither have I.

Submitted by,
Jennifer Peterson
Chairperson



OUTSTANDING BOSS OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The "Outstanding Boss of the Year" award is presented yearly at the MMA Annual Meeting. It is presented to honor the "top boss" who has displayed "above and beyond" efforts in mapping. Nominees should be a current member in good standing, have been a member for at least one year, and planning on attending the annual meeting. Nominations should be brief and explain why the nominee merits the "Outstanding Boss of the Year" award. The Award Committee will review the applications and make recommendations to the MMA Officers and Board of Directors. Nominations will be accepted through June 1, 2003

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

Employer's Address: _____

Phone: _____

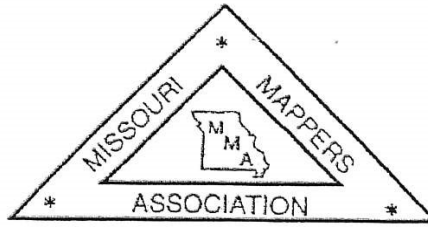
I believe _____ should be nominated for Outstanding Boss of the Year
because _____

(Continue on additional sheet if needed)

Signature: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Mail Applications to: AliceLee
Jefferson County Assessor's office
P.O. Box 100
Hillsboro, Mo 63066
Phone: 636-797-5460 Fax 636-797-5470



OUTSTANDING MAPPER OF THE YEAR APPLICATION

The "Outstanding Mapper of the Year" award is presented yearly at the MMA Annual Meeting. It is presented to honor an individual who has displayed outstanding abilities in the cadastral mapping field. Nominees should be a current member in good standing, have been a member for at least one year, have base knowledge of mapping, map management and be technically proficient in mapping techniques and standards. Nominations should be brief and explain why the nominee merits the "Outstanding Mapper of the Year" award. The Award Committee will review the applications and make recommendations to the MMA Officers and Board of Directors. Nominations will be accepted through June 1, 2003

Name of Nominee: _____

Employer: _____

Employer's Address: _____

Phone: _____

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

(Continue on additional sheet if needed)

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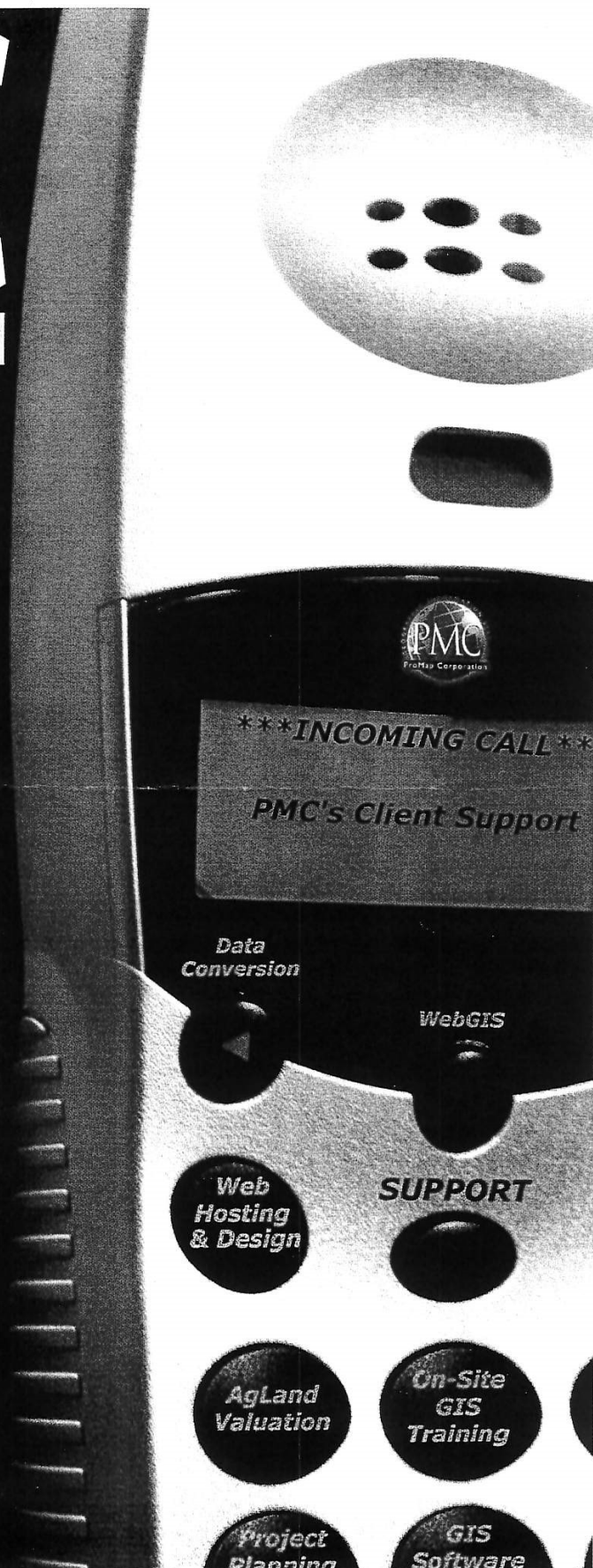
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Hickory County Assessor's Office
P.O. Box 97
Hermitage, MO 65668
TEL: (417) 745-6346
FAX: (417) 745-6715

MMA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 15, 2003 - Call or e-mail Kevin Kuhlmann with Education Ideas 636-456-3473 kkuhlmann@boonslick.org
February 27, 2003 - Tentative date for WCMMS meeting in Cooper County
March 7, 2003 - Executive Board Meeting in Phelps County Courthouse
March 12, 2003 - CEMMA meeting at Spirit of St. Louis Airport
May 15, 2003 - SWMMA meeting at Southwest Missouri State University Map Library
July 30-Aug1, 2003- Annual Missouri Mappers Conference at Lake of the Ozarks

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