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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Richard I. Durrett, P.E., P.L.S.



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Chairman

Louisiana Professional Engineering
and Land Surveying Board

LAPELS would like to welcome two new board members: Mark Segura representing industry and Ali Mustapha representing government. We would also like to thank Bijan Sharafkani and Bob Green for their contributions to LAPELS over the past six plus years.

Rep. Bryant Hammett has introduced legislation, at the request of LES, in HB284 to change the terms of the LAPELS board members appointment from August 31 to March 1. This is to alleviate the problem of board members being appointed by one administration and the next administration not submitting that appointee to the Senate for confirmation. There are a number of other issues that are to be considered in this bill by the legislature.

There have been some questions recently about structural engineering registration in Louisiana. This is a very complex question but I will attempt to clarify where we are at this time in Louisiana.

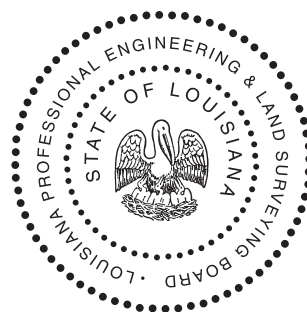
In Louisiana, since 2002 we register

all Engineers as Professional Engineers and list them in a particular discipline i.e. Structural, Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, etc.

- You can practice and stamp drawings in the discipline you are qualified.
- To be listed in the discipline of Structural in Louisiana you must have passed the NCEES Structural I and Structural II exams. If you have only passed the Structural I exam, you will be listed as Civil.
- At this time, none of our local or state wide permitting offices recognize structural engineering. Only Civil is mentioned.

Some states are now requiring a Structural III exam. I am sure the LAPELS Board will have much more discussion in future years about requirements in Louisiana, especially with the hurricanes in the southern part of the state and the

tornado potential in the northern part of Louisiana.



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LAPELS Board Meeting Dates

May 15-16, 2006
July 17-18, 2006
September 25-26, 2006



FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Donna D. Sentell, Executive Secretary



Donna D. Sentell
Executive Secretary

After four months on the job and two board meetings behind me, I am feeling more settled.

In March I visited Rosemary Brister, my counterpart at the Mississippi Board of Registration. We share many of the same issues related to the aftermath of the hurricane: an increase in comity and temporary permit applications as well as an increase in enforcement and investigation issues related to unlicensed practice. The hurricane also reinforced our decision to maintain an off-site backup of our database and records. As a new hurricane season approaches, none of us are looking forward to a season like last year, but we all agree we are better prepared to handle things this time.

Our spring renewal cycle was complete at the end of March, with 32% of our registrants taking advantage of our on-line renewal option. Our on-line application module is almost complete for new applicants to utilize.

Keeping in mind that our primary agenda is "to safeguard life, health and property and to promote the public welfare," several members of our board and staff observed at the various test sites around the state during the April 21-22 exams. We were fortunate to have test sites in Ruston and once again in Lafayette, Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

The board recently made Robert Eddleman, the Director of Enforcement, our new Deputy Secretary. Robert will wear two hats:

he will continue to oversee all issues relating to enforcement and investigation as well as assist me with the daily office operations.

Robert and I have had the opportunity to visit the LES chapters in Monroe and Shreveport this spring; giving the Ethics presentation. It's been wonderful meeting people from across the state. Again, I extend an invitation to all of you to come see us. Our staff works hard on behalf of the board, and we would welcome the opportunity to visit with you.

In an effort to continue to improve the way in which we handle the work load in our office, many staff members have been given new responsibilities. Heidi Watts, my assistant, has proven to be an invaluable asset to me and the day to day workings at LAPELS. Longtime employee, Barbara Cavalier, has been named as the LAPELS Archivist and is working to develop a method to archive records from all of our applicants. You can read their stories below:

MEET THE STAFF

HEIDI WATTS

I was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana and am a graduate of St. Amant High School. My husband, Neil, and I live in Zachary, Louisiana. We have a 7 year old son, Dylan and a baby boy on the way due in late July. We enjoy fishing, hunting, and Neil's cooking.

As the Administrative Secretary, I assist Donna, the Board members, as well as the Enforcement Department. Also, I am currently the liaison for Firm licensing. I have been with the LAPELS staff since October 2004 and my favorite part of my job is continuing to learn the laws and rules to work with the Board members and registrants.

BARBARA CAVALIER

Barbara Cavalier, Board Archivist has been employed with the LAPELS Board for 5 years. She is responsible for working on archiving paper records of all registrants into our newly updated CAVU computer system. She is presently attending the Baton Rouge University of Phoenix Campus and majoring in Management & Administration, where she will receive a Bachelor's Degree in the year 2007. She plans to utilize her education and experience for future service to the LAPELS Board. She has gained much knowledge by working with renewals, verifications and firm licensure. She will be able to utilize these skills in her new position as the Archivist. Also, she is attending training classes with the Louisiana State Archives to update her understanding for future projects.



GOVERNOR APPOINTS NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Governor Blanco has appointed Mark H. Segura, P.E. to the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board effective Jan. 27, 2006. He will serve the board for a term of six years.

Mr. Segura was born in New Iberia, La. on November 26, 1958 and graduated from Catholic High School in 1976. Mr. Segura received a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering (magna cum laude) from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in December 1984. He received a Certificate of Engineering Management from Louisiana State University in 1993, and completed the Council for a Better Louisiana "Leadership Louisiana" Program in 1999. Mr. Segura received the Advanced Management Certificate from Harvard University in 2002.

Mr. Segura began his engineering career in December 1984 as an associate engineer with Cleco Corporation in Pineville, La. He became a registered professional electrical engineer in the state of Louisiana in June 1991. While working at Cleco, Mr. Segura has held several engineering and management positions, including Distribution System Protection Engineer, Transmission System Protection Engineer, Distribution Operations Engineer, Supervisor – Distribution

Engineering, Manager – Stores and Transformer Management, General Manager – Distribution Services, Vice President – Distribution Services, and Vice President – Energy Transmission & Distribution. He is currently Vice President – Transmission & Distribution Services.

Mr. Segura was a member of the board of directors of the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry from 1999 – 2003, serving on the executive committee of the board in 2003. Since 1984, he has been a member of the Louisiana Engineering Society, and he participates in the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers. Mr. Segura has served on the board of directors of the Southeastern Electric Exchange since 2001, and he has served on the board of directors of the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana since 2000. He replaces Bob J. Green, P.E., on the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board.

Mr. Segura has two children, Shannon age 27 and Brant age 25. He is an avid sports fan who also enjoys movies, biking, reading, and traveling.



ALI M. MUSTAPHA, P.E.

Ali M. Mustapha received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Louisiana Tech University in 1985. He is a registered Professional Civil and Environmental Engineer in Louisiana and a registered Professional Engineer in Arkansas.

Mr. Mustapha started his career as a Project Engineer with Summerlin Associates, a civil engineering consulting firm, in Little Rock, Arkansas. In 1988, he joined the Little Rock Wastewater Utility as a Staff Engineer, where he assisted in establishing the Inflow/Infiltration assessment program and the sanitary sewer collection system infrastructure rehabilitation program. In 1990, Mr. Mustapha moved to Shreveport where he was appointed as the City's Drainage Engineer/Storm water & Floodplain Administrator. While working for the city, Mr. Mustapha was instrumental in creating programs to reduce flooding and improve drainage. In 1992, he established the Flood Prone Property Acquisition Program for the City. The success of the program in Shreveport became a leading model for other municipalities within the state and the region. In 1993, Mr. Mustapha established the City's Storm water Management Program that was created to insure compliance with EPA's Clean Water Act requirements for municipal separate Storm water System (MS4). Shreveport was the first municipality in the State to receive an NPDES permit and create programs to comply with the Clean Water Act regulations. In February of 2001, Mr. Mustapha was appointed

as the City's Water, Sewerage & Drainage Chief Engineer. He is responsible for management of the design and construction of drainage, water distribution, and sanitary sewer collection system projects for the City of Shreveport.

Mr. Mustapha has been an active member of the Louisiana Engineering Society since 1990 and has served in all of the Society's elective offices, serving as LES President for 2003-2004. He also holds memberships in the National Society of Professional Engineers and has served on regional and national committees, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the Louisiana Floodplain Management Association. He served as President of the Shreveport Branch of ASCE in 2000-2001 and as a Director at Large on the ASCE Louisiana Section Board of Direction. He is currently serving as the Louisiana Section of ASCE Secretary/Treasurer.

Mr. Mustapha received special recognition for outstanding service to the Shreveport's Chapter of LES and was awarded the E.M. Freeman Society Participation Award in 1999 and 2005. In 2000, he received the Louisiana Section of ASCE Outstanding Government Civil Engineer Award and in 2001; he was awarded the Sections' President Metal Award. In 2002, Mr. Mustapha received the Louisiana Engineering Society Leo M. Odom Services to the Profession Award.

Mr. Mustapha is also active in many civic and community organizations. He speaks very often to community, professional and civic groups. In his free time, he coaches his children's soccer teams and assists in coaching other sports. He and his wife, Darlene, along with two daughters, Angela, a junior at University of Oklahoma, Sara, and son Ryan live in Shreveport.

NEW REGISTRANTS

New Registrants for the Period of January 24, 2006 - April 26, 2006

Professional Engineers

Abolhassani, Ali
Aden, William Brantner
Agnes, Matthew Leo
Ahuja, Deepak
Ali, Mujahid Tariq
Allen, Jerry Dale
Anderson, Donald James Jr.
Arab, Amir Ahmad
Armstrong, Scott Robert
Arp, Larry Dean
Atkinson, Eldon E. Jr.
Bach, Edward Martin
Baker, N. Kent
Barbieri, Paul Dominick
Barr, Russell Wyatt
Blackman, David Todd
Blot, Edward Michael
Boehringer, Kevin Scott
Boudreaux, Randy James
Bowness, Lawrence Jack
Brantley, Matthew Calvin
Brewer, John Frazer III
Britton, Lesley Smith
Brown, David L.
Brown, George Lamar
Brown, Steven B.
Bruehl, Gabriel Anthony
Caldwell, Lorey Marion
Campbell, Alan Owen
Causey, Jonathan K.
Chai, Zhaohui
Chevel, Robert
Christopher, Barry Rodney
Clark, William Joseph III
Clover, Charles Christopher
Cole, James K.
Coleman, Robert G. III
Cook, Edger L.
Cox, James Edward
Craig, Kenneth Robert
Craven, Resal A.
Crell, Jesse D.
Crowe, Timothy M.
Cunningham, Fred J.
Daly, Linda
Deason, Richard Thomas
Deaver, Daniel Ward
DiCesare, David John
Dishman, Gowen Ernest
Driggers, Charles Arthur
Duryee, Wayne Alan
Eleazer, William E.
Emami, Bardia
Engberg, Eric Robin
Eschbacher, Peter B.
Esslinger, Charles C.
Estep, Samuel K.
Farr, Christopher Royce
Fisher, Thomas Harry
Fitzpatrick, Douglas Gordon
Flores, Dionicio V.
Fogelberg, Todd Weymouth
Fuller, James B.
Gaddy, William Stephen
Gadow, Douglas Luther
Garcia, Arthur F.
Gardiner, Matthew Robert
Gauntt, Hugh Melvin
Geinzer, Brad Raymond
George, Jacob
Ghosh, Gautam
Gibisch, Philip Robert
Glover, John Doyle
Goodwin, James J.
Goodwin, James R.
Gouveia, Mark Steven
Grimes, Nathan R.
Haas, John Charles
Hale, Marcus Donald

Harvey, Kenneth Ryan
Haw, Michael Douglas
Hicks, Jeffrey Brent
Hiers, George Paul
Hill, Steven
Hird, Jonathan Paul
Holland, John Michael
Hopson, Walter Lee Jr.
Hoskins, Matthew David
Hultquist, Joseph Thomas
Huot, Donald Roger
Ibert, Patrick Joseph
Ibok, Enamiden Umo
Jacobs, Seneca
Jobe, John Christopher
Jordan, James Allen
Kapuranis, Jim John
Kelley, James Francis
Kent, William Edward
King, Gregory D.
Kingrey, William Ross
Kister, Byron C.
Koenig, Karl Andrew
Kuzovkov, Alexander V.
Lamers, Patrick Robert
Lee, Dominic Shi-Fong
Leistikow, Ralf
Lin, Mike Nanheng
Lindsay, Diane Renee
Liu, Jianguo
Lizanich, Nicholas J.
Luke, Joel Fletcher Jr.
Lulkin, Sheffee Solomon
Mainardi, Steven Joseph
Manawes, K. Craig
Manning, Charles Richard
Matern, Duoglas P.
Matthews, Michael A.
McCall, Matthew Patrick
McPheeters, David Lynn
Meers, Leonard James
Mezic, John D.
Miller, Daniel Paul
Modjeski, Dorian
Mohamed, Raphael Isa
Monfils, Jason G.
Moran, Michael Aloysius III
Morton, Justin Cortney
Moser, Bradley C.
Nelson, Craig Philip
Neuendorf, Theodore Eric
Nolen, Charles Marcus
Nwosa, Daniel Iheanacho
Odum, John Russell
Oestrike, Mathew David
Oliver, Floyd Louis Jr.
Park, John D.
Parker, Jeffrey Scott
Pastore, Dominick John
Pena, Carlos Gregory
Perret, Victor George
Pierepiekarz, Mark Robert
Pizzi, John Francis
Potts, Cory William
Prokop, Joseph Henry
Radek, Chester Alan
Ricks, James Joseph
Rigsby, Howard Jerome
Riley, Michael Arthur
Santee, Thomas Grant
Scancelli, Robert James
Scheffner, Norman Wahl
Schluterman, Greg J.
Sebastian, Efrén Maximo
Seltzer, Robert A.
Simpson, Mitchell D.
Smith, Daniel Craig
Smith, Peter M.
Smith, Roy Carl Jr.
Soileau, David J.

Sommers, Adam Russell
Spurrier, Michael Edward
Staley, Neil E.
Stevens, Robert P.
Stone, Christopher Michael
Stulgis, Richard Peter
Suarez, Jesus J.
Swanson, Donald Leroy
Szak, Peter Jason
Talley, Richard Thomas
Taylor, Larry M.
Thompson, John Smith
Thornhill, Daniel Thomas
Tibbs, Matthew Bryan
Tomko, Michael G.
Tortorella, Joseph Francis
Tracy, Justin Brian
Turner, John Michael
Varghese, Babu
Verhulst, Stewart Mason
Walstrom, Thomas Eric
Wang, Liquan
Wascom, Kristopher Earl
Watson, Brian James
Webb, Christopher Ross
Werner, Craig N.
White, Christopher David
Whitley, Charles E.
Wiedeman, Harold Frederick
Wilcox, Craig John
Williamson, Michael Fred
Wink, Paul Brett
Wojnowski, Daniel Allen
Wright, Victor E.
Yurchevich, John D.
Zinnen, Daniel L.

Professional Land Surveyors

Andrus, John W. Jr.
Bennett, Robert L.
Billeaud, Manning F.
Blackburn, Robert W.
Blackwood, Alan
Brantley, Gerard J.
Buchtel, James R.
Bueche, Coan J.
Coleman, Robert G. III
Cunningham, Fred J.
Edwards, George A. Jr.
Ficarro, Salvatore J.
Freyou, Simon J.

Engineer Interns

Alajangi, Ramesh Chandra
Breaux, Bradley Michael
Calhoun, John Delane
Carline, Jesse Thomas
Chaisson, Nathaniel James
Endun-Sawit, Carrie Cappolie
Falcon, Drew Mitchell
Fu, Yanrong
Garlington, James Walton
Hall, Tyson Joseph
Hasan, Abul Bashar Mahmud
Hossain, Akhter Bin
Hoyt, Karen Henry
James, Clay Barrett
Jerome, Kristin S.
Kuang, Xuheng
Landingham, Tracy Leigh
Leger, Troy Joseph Jr.
Li, Minghua
Luce, Phillip James
Ma, Jia
Nelson, Robert Paul
Qi, Bing
Rincon, Cesar Alberto
Rush, Leigh Anne
Shirman, Ephim I.
Sirman, Brandon Austin

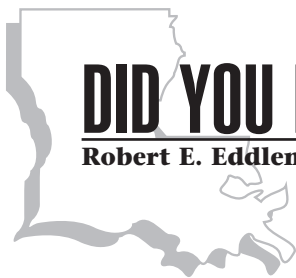
Solberg, David Timothy
Woodward, John C.

Engineering Firms

Allman & Associates, Inc.
Amstar Engineering, Inc.
Arceneaux Engineering, Inc.
Avery Island Technologies, LLC
Boudreaux Unlimited International, Inc.
Buckland & Taylor Ltd.
Calvert-Spradling Engineers, Inc.
Civil Design & Construction, Inc.
Civil Engineering Consultants, LLC
Clark, Nexsen, Owen, Barbieri & Gibson, Professional Corporation
Compliance Solutions Group, LLC
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Forsythe & Long Engineering, Inc.
Foster Wheeler North America Corp.
Gaunt Engineers, Inc.
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Seybold Engineering, Inc.
SmithGroup Michigan, Inc.
Stella Maris, LLC
Sterling Engineering Co., Inc.
Structural Group, Inc.
STV Incorporated of New York
T 4 Spa Engineering & Design, LLC
Tetra Tech EC, Inc.
TTL Associates, Inc.
Urban Planning & Innovations, Inc.
Uzun & Case Engineers, LLC
Veazey & Associates, LLC
VECO Consulting, LLC
Vista Engineering, LLC
Walker Engineering, Inc.
Wang & Associates, Inc.
Wardlaw and Lasseigne, LLC
Wink Companies, LLC
Zehner and Associates, Inc.

Land Surveying Firms

Civil Design & Construction, Inc.
M and N Land Surveying, L.L.C.
Webb Surveying
Wink Companies, LLC



DID YOU KNOW?

Robert E. Eddleman, Deputy Executive Secretary/Director of Enforcement

The Louisiana Revised Statutes require firms, as well as individual practitioners, to be licensed with the Board. The only exception is for unincorporated sole proprietorships which operate under the full name by which the individual owner is licensed. All corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships, etc. must file an application and be approved for licensure by the Board prior to offering or providing any engineering or land surveying services within Louisiana. This requirement extends to all businesses which operate a firm offering or providing engineering or land surveying in the State of Louisiana, regardless of the location of the business. Information and applications forms may be obtained by contacting the Board office. Unlicensed firms offering or providing engineering or land surveying services in Louisiana are, among other things, subject to fines of up to \$5,000 per violation.

DISCIPLINARY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Practice Of Engineering And/or Land Surveying On An Expired License

Mr. David C. Flettrich, P.E., a Louisiana licensee, was disciplined by the Board for the offering and/or providing of engineering services in Louisiana during the period his license was in an expired status from October 1, 2002 until January 28, 2005. Mr. Flettrich's license has been renewed and he has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine of \$100.00, to pay administrative costs of \$250.00, to successfully complete the Board's online Laws and Rules examination and the Board's online Ethics presentation and examination within sixty days of the effective date of the Consent Order, and to the printing a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Mr. Eric S. Duck, P.E., a Louisiana licensee, was disciplined by the Board for the offering and/or providing of engineering services in Louisiana during the period his license was in an expired status from April 1, 2004 until June 29, 2005. Mr. Duck's license has been renewed and he has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine of \$250.00, to pay administrative costs of \$100.00, to successfully complete the Board's online Laws and Rules examination within sixty days of the effective date of the Consent Order, to immediately provide written notice to each

person or client for whom he provided engineering services during the period that his license was expired, to simultaneously provide written proof of

each such notice to the Board, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Jolly Consultants, Inc., a Louisiana licensed engineering firm, was disciplined by the Board for the offering and/or providing of engineering services in Louisiana during the period that the firm's license was in an expired status from April 1, 1990 until June 28, 2005. The firms' license has been renewed and it has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein the firm agreed to pay a fine of \$1,062.00, to pay administrative costs of \$1,212.00, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Jeffery M. Moody, P.L.S., a Louisiana licensee, was disciplined by the Board after he disclosed to the Board the unintentional violation of the Board's statutes regarding the practice and/or the offering of land surveying services in Louisiana with an expired license (from April 1, 2005 until November 2, 2005). Mr. Moody's license has been renewed and he has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine of \$100.00, to pay administrative costs of \$217.00, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

UNLICENSED OFFER AND/OR PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING AND/OR LAND SURVEYING

A non-licensee was disciplined by the Board for the unlicensed practice of engineering in Louisiana. Dr. Anderson, who is not licensed by the Board, described his business and services as performing "engineering analysis" in a letter to a governmental official. The non-licensee has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine of \$250.00, to pay administrative costs of \$168.23, to immediately cease and desist the use of the words "engineering analysis" or similar words in describing his business services, and to the printing of a summary of this matter without name in this publication.

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Robert E. Eddleman

PE Consultants, Inc., a Texas firm which is not licensed in Louisiana, was disciplined by the Board for the unlicensed practice of engineering in Louisiana. One of PE Consultants, Inc.'s licensed employees practiced engineering and/or signed and sealed engineering reports its behalf in Louisiana. PE Consultants, Inc. has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein the firm agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$180.93, to cease and desist the offering and/or providing of engineering services in Louisiana until it can fully comply with the Board's requirements for firm licensure, and to the printing a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

FAILURE TO MEET FIRM LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Geotechnical Testing Laboratory, Inc., a Louisiana licensed engineering firm, was disciplined by the Board for violating the supervising professional requirements for licensed firms. Geotechnical Testing Laboratory, Inc. provided or offered to provide engineering services in Louisiana at a time when its listed supervising professional was not an employee of the firm. Geotechnical Testing Laboratory, Inc. has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein the firm agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$180.69, to either immediately fully comply with the Board's supervising professional requirements for firm licensure or voluntarily surrender its firm license, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

AIDING OR ASSISTING OF ANOTHER PERSON IN VIOLATING ANY PROVISION OF THE BOARD'S LICENSURE LAWS AND RULES

Homer R. Parker, P.E., a Texas resident who is also licensed in Louisiana, was disciplined by the Board for aiding or assisting another person in violating the Board's licensure laws and rules. Mr. Parker practiced engineering and/or signed and sealed engineering reports in Louisiana on behalf of a Texas firm which was not licensed in Louisiana. Mr. Parker was also listed as the supervising professional for a Louisiana licensed engineering firm and assisted that firm in providing or offering to provide engineering services in Louisiana even though he was not an employee of the firm. Mr. Parker has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay a fine of \$500.00, to pay administrative costs of \$180.69, to successfully complete the Board's online Laws and Rules examination and the Board's online Ethics presentation and examination within sixty days of the effective date of the Consent Order, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication..

GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR GROSS INCOMPETENCE IN THE PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING AND IMPROPER USE OF SEALS

William E. Foster, Jr., P.E., a Louisiana licensee, was disciplined by the Board for gross negligence or gross incompetence in the practice of engineering and improper use of seals. Mr. Foster prepared and submitted to a client foundation plans for a new warehouse and office building in Louisiana which were not properly sealed and were incomplete and inadequate for the intended use. Mr. Foster has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein he agreed to pay administrative costs of \$345.26, to not engage in the practice of engineering in Louisiana for a period of one year (except that he may continue to perform foundation design work for single family residences and structural inspections/investigations), to be placed on probation for a one year period beginning at the end of the one year period described above, to the immediate and automatic revocation of his license if he commits any violations of the Board's licensure law or rules or he violates any part of the Consent Order during either of the one year periods described above, to successfully complete the Board's online Laws and Rules examination and the Board's online Ethics presentation and examination within sixty days of the effective date of the Consent Order, and to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

Foster Engineering, Inc., a Louisiana licensed engineering firm, was disciplined by the Board for gross negligence or gross incompetence in the practice of engineering and improper use of seals by the firm's supervising professional. Foster Engineering, Inc.'s supervising professional prepared and submitted to a client on its behalf foundation plans for a new warehouse and office building in Louisiana which were not properly sealed and were incomplete and inadequate for the intended use. Foster Engineering, Inc. has entered into a Consent Order with the Board wherein the firm agreed to pay administrative costs of \$345.26, to not engage in the practice of engineering in Louisiana for a period of one year (except it may continue to perform foundation design work for single family residences and structural inspections/investigations), to be placed on probation for a one year period beginning at the end of the one year period described above, to the immediate and automatic revocation of his license if he commits any violations of the Board's licensure law or rules or he violates any part of the Consent Order during either of the one year periods described above, to the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIVILEGE

By Chris Richard, P.E.

Time flies when you're having fun.... isn't that the way it goes? Well, this year has certainly flown by. My term as President will end at the Annual Meeting at the Pearl River Resort in Mississippi in June. It has been an eventful year that was made easier because of the fantastic board the members of LES elected and of course the LES staff of Brenda, Cathy and Gloria.

In my first Presidential Privilege, I talked about the importance of being a member of the Louisiana Engineer Society. We printed a list of the current LES members and asked everyone to check and see if your name was on the list. Membership is the lifeblood of our organization. Again this year, all engineers benefited from the work of the Louisiana Engineering Society, supported by our members across the state.

This year has been an eventful one that has seen several of our members step up to the plate for LES and the engineering profession. We have seen the Presidents of the New Orleans and Lake Charles Chapters, Greg Danielson and John Lowery, step up and continue to lead their chapters after the devastation left from Katrina and Rita. Gavin Gautreau, President of the Baton Rouge Chapter, in conjunction with the other interested societies, work diligently to preserve the Qualifications Based Selection Process in Baton Rouge. Several members of the New Orleans Chapter have been working with their local legislators and testifying before House and Senate committees, to help bring about legislation to help rebuild New Orleans and protect the citizens from future storms.

The Louisiana Engineering Society, led by our Legislative Committee

Chairman Ron Rodi, has been very busy during this legislative session. There are several bills that have been filed that affect the engineering profession. LES sent out an email summarizing the contents of several of the bills we are tracking, as well as LES's position regarding the passage of these bills. In the coming weeks, we will continue our efforts to keep the membership informed about the status of these bills. LES will also be attending and testifying at many of the legislative committee meetings where these bills will be heard.

The State MATHCOUNTS competition was recently held in Alexandria and the Future Cities Competition was held in Lake Charles. We would like to thank the Alexandria and Lake Charles Chapters for hosting these events as well as the members from across the state that volunteered their time and energy to ensure these events continue to be successful.

This is just a sampling of what your local and state LES officers have been volunteering their time towards, in an effort to serve the public and to protect the public's safety and welfare, as well as protect and strengthen the engineering profession.

In addition to the damage Hurricane Katrina inflicted on Louisiana, it also sent us scrambling to reschedule our 2006 Annual Meeting. Originally, the 2006 Annual Meeting was scheduled for the Grand Hotel at Point Clear, Alabama. Next to San Destin, the Grand was our most popular destination for the Annual Meeting. Unfortunately, the Grand Hotel was heavily damaged by Katrina and its availability to host our meeting was uncertain. Our options were severely limited because of the damage from the storms across the Gulf Coast. The Mississippi Engineering



Chris Richard, P.E.
Louisiana Engineering Society President

Society extended an invitation to LES and the Arkansas Engineering Society to join them at their Annual Meeting at the Pearl River Resort in Choctaw, Mississippi, and we gratefully accepted.

We encourage everyone to attend the Annual Meeting on June 18 – 20. The sessions will offer three separate tracks, each with twelve hours of continuing education. Please visit the LES website or look for information about the meeting in this issue of the Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor.

As always, we look forward to a large turnout from our membership at the Annual Meeting. The current NSPE President Kathryn Gray, P.E., and the Immediate Past President, Dr. Bobby Price, P.E., will be in attendance at the meeting to install the new officers, including the next LES President Kevin Crosby, P.E. The Society will be in excellent hands being led by Kevin and we will continue to prosper under his leadership.

In closing I would like to thank all those that served our profession through their service in LES. I would be remiss if I didn't thank my employer, Domingue, Szabo, & Associates, Inc., for allowing me the time away from the office to serve in LES. Last but certainly not least, I want to thank my wife (and fellow Professional Engineer and LES member) Susan, and my three beautiful daughters Brooke, Sarah, and Andrea, for their understanding and encouragement this past year as I served my term as LES President.

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Calendar of Events

May, 2006

- 11-13 MATHCOUNTS National Competition – Washington DC
- 12 Chapter Officers & Committee appointments due to State Office
- 12 Early registration deadline for LES Annual Meeting
- 13 Committee Budget requests due to State Office
- 15-16 LAPELS Board Meeting – LES State Office
- 19 LES ExCom Meeting – LES State Office

June, 2006

- 18-21 Statewide Annual Meeting and Multi-State Conference – Pearl River Resort, MS

July, 2006

- 6-11 NSPE Annual Meeting – Boston, MS
- 13 Meeting of Magazine Committee
- 14 Deadline for copy, Louisiana Journal, August issue
- 17-18 LAPELS Board Meeting – LES State Office
- 18 Licensing Ceremony – Baton Rouge

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BAYOU CHAPTER

By: Kevin Rizzo, P.E.

The Bayou Chapter has completed another successful year. With the efforts of our chapter members and volunteers we were able to host several chapter meetings as well as sponsor a few events to benefit our community. We had another great year hosting the Mathcounts competition. The kids had a great time and it is truly impressive to witness the problem solving skills of these young minds. Thanks to our Mathcounts coordinator Mike D'Angelo and all the others who volunteered to make this event a success.

The Bayou Chapter had the honor of hosting a meeting of the LES Board of Direction this year. The state board held their March meeting in Houma which was followed by our monthly chapter lunch meeting. The state board members stayed to attend our chapter meeting and to hear some informal discussions of topics that are affecting us on a local level.

The chapter plans to host our annual year end social meeting sometime in early May. More details of this meeting will be forthcoming. We will also elect chapter officers for the coming year at this meeting. I encourage all of you to become more involved in our chapter functions. Anyone interested in volunteering some time to promote our profession should contact one of the chapter officers for more information.

MONROE CHAPTER

By: Don Arrington, P.E.

The Monroe Chapter held their April meeting on April 13th at The Chateau in Monroe. Our speaker was one of our own members – Dr. Bobby Price, past president of NSPE. The topic of discussion was “Raising the Bar: Academic Prerequisites for Professional Practice.” We will conclude our year next month on May 11th at Catfish Cabin in Monroe.

Attendance for this year's meetings has been encouraging. We have averaged 20 – 25 so far, and hope to end the year with a bang. Looking to the future, we now have a full slate of officers for the 2006-2007 LES year. Next year's officers will be:

Jason Thornhill – President
Brian Harrell - First Vice-President
Randy Hammons - Second Vice-President
Clay James – Secretary-Treasurer

Congratulations to all of these gentlemen. I wish them all the support and wisdom necessary to lead our chapter next year.

COMING TO THE LES WEB PAGE

LES will be expanding the web page to include an “LES Job Board”. As a free service to our membership, you will be able to post a job opening and post a resume’. The service will be up in a week or two. If interested, you can email your postings to les@les-state.org. All postings will be kept confidential.

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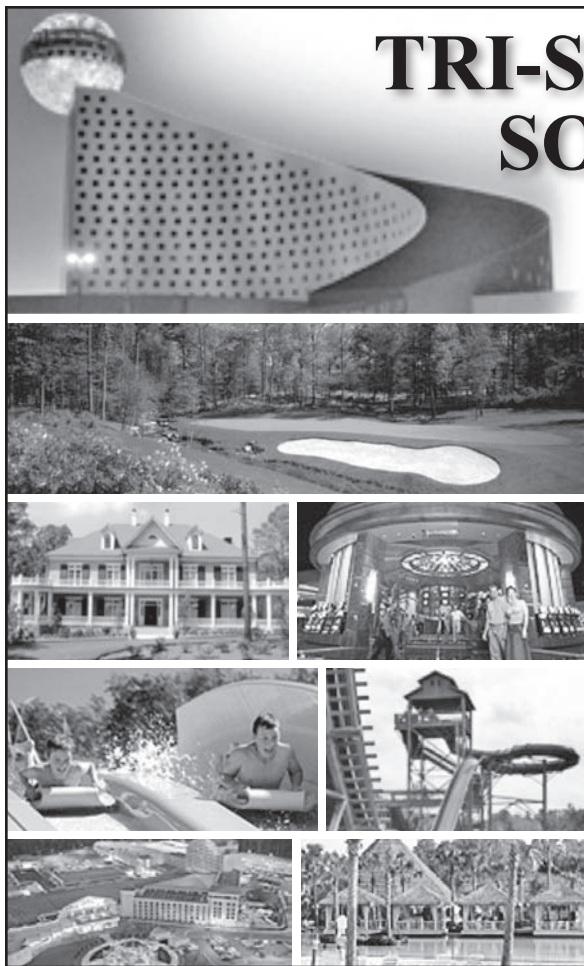
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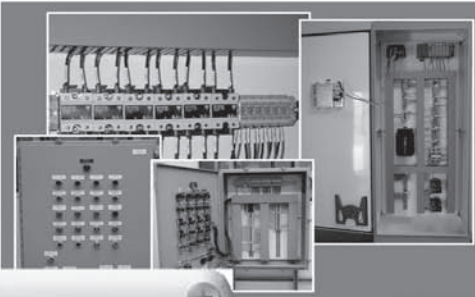
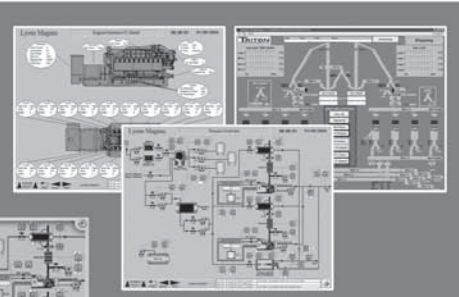
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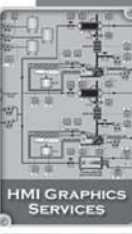
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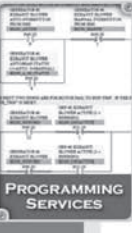


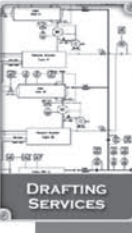
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On-time registration deadline is June 4, 2006

Please check every event that you plan to attend.

Event	How many attending	Amt.	Late Fee After 6/04	Total
ARSPE, LES, & MES Member Registration	_____	\$150	+\$50	_____
Spouse Registration: <i>Spouses do not have to pay a registration fee, however, they must pay for ticketed events listed below.</i>	_____	N/C	N/C	_____
Non Member Registration: <i>Fees include one year membership in ARSPE, LES, or MES</i>	_____	\$350	+\$50	_____
Student Member Registration: <i>Must show I.D. at check-in</i>	_____	\$35	+\$25	_____
Water Park Tickets	_____	\$15	+\$10	_____
Sunday Opening Reception: 7:00 – 8:00 pm	_____	\$5	+\$10	_____
Monday Continental Breakfast:	_____	\$5	+\$10	_____
Monday General Membership Lunch:	_____	\$10	+\$10	_____
Monday Golf Tournament <i>Handicap: _____ Length of drive: _____</i> <i>Golf Tournament Information: 4-man scramble, fee includes green fees and cart fees, plus box lunch.</i> <i>Feel free to bring promotional items to be given away as gifts.</i>	_____	\$130	+\$20	_____
Monday Evening Picnic at Dancing Rabbit Club House:	_____	\$10	+\$10	_____

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Tuesday Continental Breakfast:	_____	\$5	+\$10	_____
Tuesday Installation Luncheon	_____	\$10	+\$10	_____
Total Payment Enclosed			\$	_____

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For reservations, call 1-866-447-3275. Please identify the Group Code MLENG6 when making reservations. The deadline for receiving a room rate of \$65.00 is June 4. (For those arriving on Saturday, the room rate will be \$150.) **Please make your reservations early** -- busy summer activity and increased convention meetings expected due to Hurricane Katrina.

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Time	Hall	Ball Room	Other Activities		Meeting Room 1	Meeting Room 2	Meeting Room 3	Time	
SUNDAY, June 18, 2006									
08:00 am	Registration/Information	SET-UP						08:00 am	
9:00 - 11:30 AM								9:00 - 11:30 AM	
12:30 - 1:00 PM		Welcome			Welcome			12:30 - 1:00 PM	
1:00 - 2:00 PM		EXHIBITS			Guide to Design of Water Transmission Pipelines	Overview of 2006 I.B.C.	To Be Announced	1:00 - 2:00 PM	
2:00 - 2:30 PM					Break in Exhibition Hall			2:00 - 2:30 PM	
2:30 - 3:30 PM					Dielectric Coated Spiral Weld Pipe	2006 Life Safety Code Overview	Engineers in Education	2:30 - 3:30 PM	
3:30 - 4:00 PM					Break in Exhibition Hall			3:30 - 4:00 PM	
4:00 - 5:00 PM					Pipe Bursting	Inspection, Design & Installation Guidelines When Relining Sewer Manholes	To Be Announced	4:00 - 5:00 PM	
5:00 - 7:00 PM					AR Board Meeting	LA Board Meeting	MS Board Meeting	5:00-7:00 PM	
7:00 - 8:00 PM								7:00 - 8:00 PM	
MONDAY, June 19, 2006									
07:00 am	Registration/Information	Continental Breakfast			Concrete Site Paving (Part 1)	S.B.R.'s Cost Competitive Solutions for High Quality Effluent	Designing with Ductile Iron Pipe	07:00 am	
7:30 - 8:30 AM								7:30 - 8:30 AM	
8:30 - 9:00 AM					Break in Exhibition Hall			8:30 - 9:00 AM	
9:00 - 10:00 AM		EXHIBITS OPEN			Concrete Site Paving (Part 2)	Evaluation Tools and Rehabilitation Products for Sewer Systems	Emergency Power Restoration	9:00 - 10:00 AM	
10:00 - 10:30 AM					Break in Exhibition Hall			10:00 - 10:30 AM	
10:30 - 11:30 AM					Engineering Ethics	Design Build Contract on Highway 90	To Be Announced	10:30 - 11:30 AM	
11:30 - 1:00 PM					AR/LA General	MS General		11:30 - 1:00 PM	
					Membership Lunch	Membership Lunch			
01:00:00 pm				Golf Tournament				01:00:00 pm	
				Dancing					
				Rabbit					
				Golf Course					
07:00 pm				PICNIC				07:00 pm	
				Dancing					
09:00 pm				Rabbit				09:00 pm	
TUESDAY, June 20, 2006									
07:00 am	Registration/Information	Continental Breakfast			Miss. Dam Safety Program	To Be Announced	Building High Performance Project Teams	07:00 am	
7:30 - 8:30 AM								7:30 - 8:30 AM	
8:30 - 9:00 AM					Break in Exhibit Hall			8:30 - 9:00 AM	
9:00 - 10:00 AM		Exhibits			E.P.A. Gulf of Mexico Program	Proactive Utilities Management	Professional Liability Claims (Part 1)	9:00 - 10:00 AM	
10:00 - 10:30 AM					Break in Exhibit Hall			10:00 - 10:30 AM	
10:30 - 11:30 AM					Waste Water Treatment Processes	To Be Announced	Professional Liability Claims (Part 2)	10:30 - 11:30 AM	
11:30 - 1:00 PM		Exhibits Close 12pm	Installation Luncheon (AR/LA/MS)						
1:30 - 2:30 PM						To Be Announced	Flow Control Valves	Best Financial Practices for Engineering Firms	1:30 - 2:30 PM
2:30 - 3:00 PM						Break in Exhibition Hall			2:30 - 3:00 PM
3:00 - 4:00 PM					Overview of the Lefleur Lakes Project	To Be Announced	Presentations for Engineers	3:00 - 4:00 PM	
4:00 - 4:30 PM				Break in Exhibition Hall			4:00 - 4:30 PM		
4:30 - 5:30 PM				Engineering Ethics	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	4:30 - 5:30 PM		

MATHCOUNTS 2006

By: Brenda Gajan

The MATHCOUNTS regional competitions were hosted by LES chapters throughout the state. The top three teams and top four individuals from each of the chapters advanced to the state competition, which was hosted by the Alexandria Chapter of LES. The top ten teams and individuals at the Louisiana State Competition were as follows:

<u>Top School Teams</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
1. Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
2. Lake Castle - Madisonville	New Orleans
3. Boyet Junior High	New Orleans
4. Alexandria Country Day School	Alexandria
5. Youree Drive Middle School	Shreveport
6. Lake Castle - New Orleans	New Orleans
7. Caddo Middle Magnet	Shreveport
8. Ouachita Parish Junior High	Monroe
9. Paul Breaux Middle	Lafayette
10. Carencro Catholic	Lafayette

<u>Top Individuals</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
1. Neal Wu	Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
2. Devika Balachandran	Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
3. Daniel Cooper	Lake Castle	New Orleans
4. Jacob Giffin	Lake Castle	New Orleans
5. Melanie Carroll	Brame Middle	Alexandria
6. Zesham Ahmed	Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
7. Michael Fishman	Boyet Junior High	New Orleans
8. Dylan Blanchard	Houma Junior High	Bayou
9. Andy Zhou	Boyet Junior High	New Orleans
10. Matthw Fox	Our Lady of Fatima	Lafayette

The following top four individuals will comprise the Louisiana Team, along with their coach, Claudia Allums.

<u>Top Individuals</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Chapter</u>
1. Neal Wu	Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
2. Devika Balachandran	Glasgow Middle	Baton Rouge
3. Daniel Cooper	Lake Castle	New Orleans
4. Jacob Giffin	Lake Castle	New Orleans

The National Competition is comprised of the students from all 50 states, U.S. territories, the U.S. Department of Defense and the U.S. State Department. The National Competition will be held in Washington D.C. on May 11-14, 2006 and will be nationally televised on ESPN.



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The Louisiana Engineering Society presented scholarship awards to six Engineering students for the 2006-2007 academic years. Five scholarship awards were \$1000.00 and one scholarship award was for \$500.00.

Recipients include:

- Christopher Bruno,
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- John Elmore,
Louisiana Tech University
- Jacques Gilbert,
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- David N. Benjamin,
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- Scott Padgett,
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- Kevin O'Flarity,
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Our congratulations are extended to these students for their exemplary efforts to achieve their goals!

These scholarships were made available through dues check off contributions of LES members and a donation by the State Office. The Scholarship Committee looks forward to your continued support of this tax-exempt program because the dues check off is the primary source of the scholarship funds. If you are interested in contributing further to this philanthropic effort please make checks payable to LES Scholarship



Dr. Stan A. Napper presenting to John B. Elmore.

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RECEPTION TO RECOGNIZE NEW LICENSEES

The Louisiana Engineering Society is again working with the Louisiana Society of Professional Surveyors and the American Council of Engineering Companies of Louisiana to formally recognize recent licensees of the LAPELS Board. The Societies will be hosting a semi-annual reception to recognize the achievement of each

new licensee at the Capitol Building with Representative Bryant Hammett. The date of the reception is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18, 2006.

If you are interested in attending, please contact the LES State Office at (225) 924-2021 or email to les@les-state.org.

TRIBUTE TO MR. RASOUL NAZERMALEK, P.E.

Mr. Rasoul Nazermalek, P.E., President and founder of Seaphan Engineering Group (SEG), L.L.C. in Shreveport passed away on April 1, 2006 after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer.

Rasoul was a registered Professional Engineer and very active in the Engineering and Technical Societies, and in the community. He served as President of the Shreveport Branch of ASCE and represented the Branch on the LA Section of ASCE Board of

Direction. He also served as an officer of the Louisiana Engineering Society - Shreveport Chapter and on many state and local committees.

Prior to founding Seaphan Engineering, Mr. Nazermalek worked for the City of Shreveport in the City Engineers Office where he was in charge of the design and construction of numerous public works projects (roadways, bridges, drainage, etc.). He later joined ARE Consultants and Alliance Inc. where he served as a project

engineer and project manager on various civil engineering projects.

Rasoul will be dearly missed by his fellow engineers and friends, and the engineering community in the Shreveport area and the State. Louisiana Engineering Society, the American Society of Civil Engineers and all the Professional Engineers in Shreveport would like to express their deepest sympathies to Rasoul's family.

IN MEMORIAM — BLAISE CARRIERE, P.E.

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Mr. Blaise Carriere, P.E. Blaise has been a lifelong contributor to the engineering profession in both the public and private sector, as well as to the Louisiana Engineering Society. Our deepest sympathies are sent to the Carriere family.

Carriere, Blaise Marvin A resident of Baton Rouge for 20 years, he died Wednesday, March 29, 2006, at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center. A civil engineer for 45 years, he was 67 and a native of New Orleans. Mr. Carriere began his professional career as a bridge design engineer with the Louisiana Office of Highways. He was involved in structural design of major highway bridges, including a movable vertical lift bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway in Louisiana. He returned to the Department of Transportation and Development in 2000 as a deputy secretary. He was named assistant to the secretary for policy in 2004 and special projects assistant in the fall of 2005. In between his stints with the state, Carriere spent 18 years with HNTB Corp., including serving as vice president of HNTB's Baton Rouge office. Prior to his association with HNTB, he served for 12 years as director of the New Orleans Department of Streets and was principal engineer for seven years with Waldemar S. Nelson and Co. of New Orleans. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn

deMahy Carriere; daughter, Angele Romig; two sons, Daren Carriere and Christopher Carriere; sister, Helena Carriere Morvant; and nine grandchildren. He is also survived by two daughters-in-law, Catherine Spedale Carriere and Julie Roloff Carriere; and son-in-law, Gregory Romig. He was preceded in death by his parents, Blaise and Etheldreda Carriere. He was a member of St. Aloysius Parish, having served as a lector and a member of the Knights of Columbus. He was an avid golfer at Sherwood Forest Country Club. Mr. Carriere was involved in engineering organizations throughout his life. He was past president of the Louisiana Engineering Society and state president of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Baton Rouge and a graduate of Jesuit High School, New Orleans, and LSU. Visitation at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 2021 Stuart Ave., on Saturday, April 1, from 10 a.m. until funeral Mass at noon, with the Rev. Gerald Burns, celebrant. Interment in Greenoaks Memorial Park, 9595 Florida Blvd. The family wishes to thank the doctors and nurses at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Jesuit High School, 4133 Banks St., New Orleans, LA 70119.

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ELECTION IS ANNOUNCED

Act 721 of the 1975 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorizes the American Council of Engineering Companies of Louisiana (ACEC/L) and the Louisiana Engineering Society to conduct elections to place two people on the Louisiana Engineers Selection Board. The Selection Board awards state agency design contracts involving capital outlay and advertised through the Facility Planning and Control. One person serves from July to the end of June the following year while the other serves from January to the end of December the following year. The ACEC/L election is open to principals of engineering companies domiciled in Louisiana. *Please take a moment and vote! The deadline for ACEC/L to receive ballots is WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2006. MAIL YOUR BALLOT TO ACEC/L, P.O. BOX 82859, BATON ROUGE, LA 70884-2859.*

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Vote for one for each term; mail your ballot to ACEC/L, P.O. Box 82859, Baton Rouge, LA 70884-2859 by May 31, 2006.

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT LEGISLATION BITES THE DUST

(This legislative report is based on actions in the legislature as of the date of this writing, April 19, 2006)

After going a 40-minute round with the House Civil Law and Procedure Committee, Representative Ronnie Johns, Sulphur, LA, the author of HB 398, and ACEC/L's Executive Director, Warren J. Wilder, were handed a verdict of "deferral" on the bill, which means the bill is dead for this session. HB 398, ACEC/L's Certificate of Merit bill, sought to require a plaintiff's attorney to attach to a complaint against a design

professional an affidavit by a third-party design professional retained by the plaintiff's attorney attesting to the facts of the complaint and affirming the validity or non-validity of the complaint. The reasoning behind the bill is that ACEC/L felt that the affidavit would "crystallize," or more clearly specify the complaint and, thereby, lessen the likelihood of "shotgun," or frivolous litigation.

However, the resounding feeling of the House committee members was that ACEC/L was attempting to "put the cart before the horse," by not allowing for an ample discovery period. Some expressed their opinions that the bill was but a stumbling block in the judiciary process. Others felt that the third-party design professional would be placed in a precarious position of great liability since that person would be required to stamp the report with his professional seal. Rep. Ernie Alexander, Lafayette, LA, suggested that it may be more appropriate to have a third-party group of professionals tender the affidavit instead of an individual. Ruston's representative, Richard Gallot, and others continued to press home the point that HB 398 would hinder the investigation of the plaintiff attorney to "arrive at the truth."

Opposing the bill, a Baton Rouge attorney, representing the Louisiana Trial Lawyers' Association, pointed out that in 1996, the Louisiana Legislature enacted laws that changed the aspects of liability of various litigants to Comparative Negligence, whereby the judge, after listening to both camps involved in litigation and based on the evidence presented, would assign various percentages of liability to the losing parties which would equate to the amount of damages each non-prevailing party would have to pay the aggrieved litigant. The comparative negligence was ultimately the "kiss of death" for HB 398.

HB 960 by Representative Bryant Hammett, Ferriday, LA, which would declare as policy that there be no bidding for professional services in Louisiana, has not been scheduled for a House committee hearing as of the date of this writing. The bill states that no costs or cost-related data will be used as a criterion in the selection of design professionals. Design professional fees and the anticipated construction budget may still be advertised with a definitive scope of services as is the practice of the State's Facility Planning and Control and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, since the figures are not used in the selection process. This point will be spelled out in an amendment to the bill.

HB 826 by Houma representative, Damon Baldone, spells out a Qualifications-Based Selection procedure, re-affirming the state procurement code, BUT after a short list of the three topmost qualified firms is developed by a using agency selection committee, these three firms would be required to submit a bid with the contract being awarded to the lowest bidder! WOW! ACEC/L will oppose this bill. If QBS is the state

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selection procedure by law (and it is, Act 721), then the most qualified design professional should be awarded the contract, not awarded to the lowest bidder!

SB 232 and SB 623 by Senator Mike Smith, Winnfield, LA, seeks to assign ranges for engineering fees in connection with the design of rural water systems. Fees for projects not requiring surveying or on-site inspections shall be in the range of 5 to 7%. Fee for projects requiring those services shall be in the range of 8 to 10%. This is about half of what the fee would normally be. Smith feels that some of his constituents are being gouged with high fees on small and simple projects. ACEC/L will oppose. (By the way, this is the first time that I can remember where a legislator introduces the same bill TWICE in the same chamber!).

HB 159 by Representative Billy Montgomery, Haughton, LA, seeks to raise the current \$125,000 threshold under which a non-licensed person may act as a designer on certain architectural projects to \$385,000! The bill was heard on the House side and cleared the House floor with an amendment decreasing the proposed increase to \$250,000. As of 04/18/06, the bill is awaiting a senate committee hearing. While this is an architect's bill, ACEC/L has taken a posture of opposition on a low key since this bill apparently does not protect the general public. Let's face it. I would not want a non-licensed intern fresh out of medical school having the authority to perform "minor surgeries," such as appendectomies and tonsillectomies!

HB 1087 by Shreveport representative, Cedric Glover, would authorize municipal governmental plan reviewers or the State Fire Marshal's Office to review plans and specs to assure compliance to the various rules, laws and life safety codes. Currently, this is the responsibility of the Fire Marshal's Office. This could open the door for possibly less qualified people to review plans. We feel "if it ain't broke, don't fix it!" It appears to this organization that the current system is working.

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MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GEARS UP

The ACEC/L Membership Development Committee has taken a giant leap forward in the area of prospect solicitations for membership. The committee's chairman, Lee Underwood, Jr., P.E., Shreveport, LA, obtained from LAPELS (the professional engineer and surveyor registration board) a copy of the database of all registered engineering firms in Louisiana. In a combined effort, members of the committee (ACEC/L Chapter presidents) and some board members have perused the database and their local Yellow Pages, placing data into the system. This database will then be maintained, updated regularly, and used as a Membership Development tool.

ACEC/L MEMBERS... DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE YOUR DATA!

Along with the budding trees, blooming flowers and Louisiana heat and humidity that herald the advent of spring and summer, it is also the time that our national organization, the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), distributes Membership Certification and Directory Update forms to all members. PLEASE!! Locate it on your computer or mail, review your current data, make any updates and return the form to ACEC. Pay particular attention to the request for the number of personnel in your firm. If you've upsized, downsized, or remained the same size, please indicate. Why? Because this is the number upon which your dues are assessed for FY 2006-2007. This is the one time during the year that changes can be made. So please, take a moment and review the ACEC document and update where needed!

ACEC/L ENTOURAGE TRAVELS TO D.C.

A group of several ACEC/L members and ACEC/L's Executive Director will be traveling to Washington, D.C. to attend the ACEC Annual Convention at the end of April (by the time you read this, the event will be history!). Part of the convention activities includes visits by the various Member Organizations to their congressional delegations to discuss various issues. We will be visiting our people to explain the following issues:

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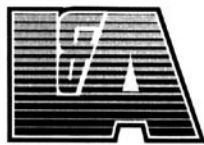
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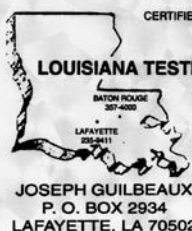
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P.O.B.

The *Point of Beginning* (P.O.B.) of my term (2006 - 2007) as LSPS President commences with much excitement. Thanks to the leadership of our Past President (David Patterson) and support of LSPS board members, our organization is actively pursuing important topics critical to our profession. As your new President, I promise to build on their success and provide the leadership and motivation to advance our profession. In the 2006 - 2007 term, the LSPS board will face important issues like *House Bill 284* and backing of the *CORS* expansion initiative. I would like to welcome and rally our newly elected board officers:

- Vice President - Charlie Coyle
- Secretary - Lyles Budden
- Treasurer - Paul Kocke, Sr.
- NSPS Governor - Wayne Hebert
- Past President - David Patterson.

Your new board took their Oath of Office at the April 7, 2006 seminar and General Business meeting held at the Louisiana State Land Office in Baton Rouge. Mr. Glen Kent was the guest speaker on "Riparian Law & State Water bottoms". The day ended with a "Moot Court" hearing in which the members from each district decided the outcome. I would like to thank Mr. Kent for this format as it brought unity among our members relative to the topic of *Responsible Charge* and *The Practice of Land Surveying Without a License*.

As recognition for outstanding leadership and service to our profession Mr. Tim Allen received the 2006 Surveyor Excellence Award.

2006 CONVENTION AT SEA

If you have just received your *Louisiana Engineer & Surveyor Journal* and sat down to read this article then odds are several hundred of your fellow members are enjoying the ocean breeze and Top Shelf Margaritas. The *LSPS 2006 Convention* takes place aboard Carnival's® cruise ship Ecstasy. Members set sail May 11 and will attend seminars on topics to include:

- Techniques in teaching the Boy Scout Surveying Merit Badge.
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Despite the glamour associated with a convention at sea, convention is an opportunity for surveyors around the state to meet and discuss their profession and debate important topics. Convention offers a great opportunity to gain continuing education credits as well. Preparations for the 2007 Convention will start shortly so I encourage you to email your topic request to LSPS.

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING

Jane Burgin along with the aid of LSPS Past President Mike Mayeux relentlessly scour thousands of legislative instruments while the legislature is in session. Their watchful eye directed us toward House Bill 284. Under its current draft, if passed would result in serious ramifications to both surveyors and engineers alike, specifically in the area of "Responsible Charge". LSPS official stance is to withdraw any legislation regarding this issue until a unanimous consensus can be gathered and wording

is revised to address the desires of our members.

EDUCATION

LSPS has worked hard along with many others to develop a Geomatics program in the State of Louisiana. Nicholls State University was chosen as the host school. Dr. Terry J. Dantin is the Program Coordinator and is proud to announce their first graduation class is slated for May, 2006. As members, LSPS will be calling on your support to invest in the education of our profession.

Looking forward to a great year; and thanks again for your vote of confidence as your next LSPS President.

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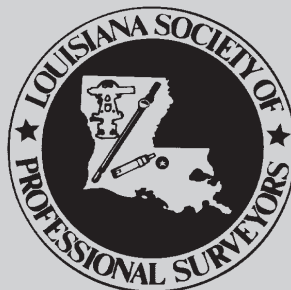
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by Ronda Courville, LSPS Administrator

At the time of this newsletter, we are sailing back from our Convention at Sea! Look for pictures in the August issue.

Reminder- the Disaster Application is included in this issue. Please complete and send in if we can be of any assistance.

The LSPS Annual Meeting and "Riparian Law/Moot Court" seminar was held in Baton Rouge, April 7th, at the State Land office. Over 150 members participated in the event.



District 2 Chairman, James Pellegrin, presented the Surveyor Excellence Award to Tim Allen. Known for his quick wit and professionalism, Tim has also been very active in LSPS. He is a 1993 graduate of LSU in Engineering technology. Tim joined LSPS in 1984, while working on his surveyor's license, which he obtained in 1990. He is a Past President of LSPS, and is currently the LSPS Representative on the LAPELS Board. Congratulations Tim!

The topic of the day was HB284. Immediate Past President David Patterson presented information about the bill. Also on the agenda for this legislative session is the Trespass Bill. Our lobbyist Jane Burgin spoke briefly about the movement of the bill, and opposition to it. LSPS is committed to work toward resolution of the Trespass issue.

Incoming President Ryan Fuselier presented an appreciation plaque to David Patterson, LSPS 2005-06 President. Ryan expressed thanks to David for his hard work and commitment to the Society. David plans to stay active in LSPS, and continue



to work toward furthering education, and a resolution in the Trespass issue. Thanks David!

Glen Kent was the featured speaker for the day, with the first session topic of "Riparian Law". After lunch, Mr. Kent organized the "Moot Court", and the trial of "Take a Chance" began.



It was a detailed court hearing, with many people involved. (Thanks to Jack Stelly, Tim Allen, Clif Mugnier, Tony Cavell, David Patterson, Steve Estopinal, Sean Burkes, Frank Messinger and others who helped make this a success.)



After the hearing, the members divided into districts, and discussed the penalties that were to be imposed on the defendant. There was a great deal of discussion as various ideas were presented.

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LOUISIANA SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 2006

IN ATTENDANCE:

President-David Patterson
Vice-President - Ryan Fuselier
Treasurer - Lyles Budden
NSPS Governor - Wayne Hebert
District 2-James Pellegrin
District 5-David Herring
District 8 - John Jordan
District 9 - Represented by Wayne Hebert
Past President - John Bradford
LSPS Administrator

David Patterson called meeting to order with prayer followed by roll call. Meeting structure discussed.

LAPELS BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

LSPS Board was approached by LAPELS regarding the issue of practicing w/o a license, and asked for opinion. Paul and Lyles reviewed laws, and concluded that the law had "teeth" to pursue those offending.

Comments: Collecting evidence will always be issue when confronting breaking of the laws. David to continue to work with Paul and Lyles on reviewing of rules. LSPS Board discussed transition for this year, and possibly holding it in conjunction with a seminar. Next seminar tentatively at the State Land Office.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES:

Motion made by John Bradford to accept minutes. Motion seconded by James Pellegrin. Motion passed unanimously.

NICHOLLS STATE UPDATE:

David has communicated with Dr. Balaji about funding issues. First graduation class in May and LSPS will make sure to be involved either at graduation or awards ceremony. Discussion of funds needed by Nicholls.

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING;

Jane was unable to attend. One item being handled is our seat on the LAGIS council. Tony, Paul and David attended last council meeting. Discussion followed. LAGIS is important to surveyors and its website is very important. We will continue to negotiate to work toward a seat on their council. Elevation discussion followed.

-Trespass Law: LSPS has strong allies working toward this issue. LES lobbyist has joined forces with LSPS and several state representatives to proceed with this issue. We now have specific examples of people with problems conducting surveyors - i.e. being arrested. We will move forward in the next session. Wayne has included a copy of the NSPS Right of Entry document.

DISTRICT REPORTS:

District 1-

David presented Convention report. Preliminary itinerary was presented to board. Discussed PDH hours being offered. The District is utilizing folks on the cruise as presenters, & two technical presentations from Leica and Trimble will be done.

District 2-

No new info.

District 3-

District 3 meeting next Tuesday.

-Revisit issue of joint letter to FEMA. Letter was sent, awaiting outcome.

District 4-

No new info.

District 5-

Had meeting previous Tuesday. 20 in attendance, barbeque.

Seminar topics discussed: On modern technology, profession of profession - "how to" teach the public, how to use legislative contacts, (Wayne suggested have lobbyist come in and hold seminar). Also interested in seminar research methods - how to access plans, etc., GPS data, how to make money surveying. Discussion of holding seminar for District 5.

District 6-

Meeting in late February.

District 7-

None

District 8-

Meeting held, request for 1 pdh for Dennis Riordan talk on South La. events. Motion made by J.J., seconded by RF. Motion passed.

District 9-

Meeting in January - 10 members were present

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-Convention 2006 - Convention previously discussed.

-Newsletter - To be mailed February 15th. Some progress on seeking advertisers made.

-Promotion of Profession:

Trig-Star letters mailed. 21 schools expressed interest. Test packets coming from Ernie Gammon Jr.

Discussed in house promotion - disc provided earlier from NSPS.

Map & Plat - Not much interest - chairman encouraged to solicit from members. Discussion followed.

Visitation at Schools- Lyles to compose synopsis regarding holding demonstrations at schools, and send to District Chairman. David presented past examples of ideas for promoting surveying. Discussion of demonstrations "how-to" followed.

-Seminar Planning:

Discussion of procedures for holding seminars. Office to compile list of past seminar topics for District chairman. James referred chairman to David Cloud for speaker's names. Instructed to come up with a topic, email to board, and get names of speakers.

SECRETARY REPORT: New member applications discussed. Motion by Wayne Hebert made to accept new members. Motion seconded by John Jordan. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Discussed \$100 fee for convention, and the convention income. Discussed overall financials. Motion made to accept report, seconded and passed unanimously.

NSPS GOVERNOR & WEBPAGE:

Report submitted about web visitors.

Reviewed NSPS requests for donations for National meeting. DP to provide books for donation.

NSPS Membership drive: Wayne went over Enterprise member applications to NSPS, and joint member drive with the states. This would mean that the state association would bill members for state and national dues. NSPS agreement enclosed, Wayne asked for members to review for next meeting. Area 3 & 4 Governors meeting is Feb. 16th, 2006. Item mentioned - Florida surveyors continue to have equipment stolen.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Upcoming roster discussed -David would like packet with bylaws and policy and procedures for new board members.

-“Legal Aspects of Boundary Surveys”- to be reproduced for resale. Motion made by Lyles to have 50 copies. Seconded by David Herring. Motion passed unanimously.

-Discussed sale of merchandise over the internet. Wayne to look into setting this up. Use of Pay-Pal discussed.

-ACSM/NSPS Convention in Orlando in April.

-Discussed memorial donations to LSPS - maybe to Education Foundation, or to purchase blocks outside.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussing updating the LSPS logo. Lyles Budden presented ideas for a new logo. He would like to offer the opportunity for members or students or Nicholls to participate in this.

Lyles to bring info to next board meeting, with specifics for soliciting drawings. David to contact graphics departments in schools around the state.

-LSPS Board member nominations for 2006/07 are President, Ryan Fuselier, VP- Charlie Coyle, Secretary Lyles Budden, Treasurer Paul Kocke, Motion made by John Bradford to accept these nominations, seconded by James Patterson, motion passed. Also nominated - NSPS Governor, Wayne Hebert. Motion seconded, and passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT REPORT:

Adjourned meeting.



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___ The **State Land Surveyor Exam Committee** is charged with the administration and item and exam preparation through completion of the testing. URGENT NEED!

- ___ (1) *Item Writing Committee* - 2 members from each District
- ___ (2) *Exam Prep/Review/Grading Committee*- as needed
- ___ (3) *Subject Matter Expert Committee*-1 member from each District

___ The **Licensure Review Committee** is charged with review of the current rules and regulations necessary to become a Professional Land Surveyor. Review requirements of other states and explore the possibilities of how changes to the current law could increase the number of licensed surveyors in the state.

___ The **Elevations in Louisiana Committee** is charged with the task as watch dog for all activities relative to FEMA, CORS, GEOID UPDATES and how they affect surveyors. Duties to include but not limited to developing a packet of information to educate cities, parishes and political bodies as to the current issues regarding subsidence, how they affect published monuments, methods to establish valid NAVD88 elevations and what will be acceptable with FEMA and the Elevation Certificate.

___ The **Seminars and Technical Education Committee** is charged with securing informative speakers and presentations to aid with the continuing education of the Society.

___ The **Liaison Committee** works with the Louisiana State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors on matters of common concern.

___ The **Map & Plat Contest Committee** is responsible for conducting the annual contest of our state society and submitting our winning entrants to the National Competition of the National Society of Professional Surveyors.

___ The **Finance Committee** insures that the society's fiscal policies are observed and that our accounts are responsibly maintained. This committee is chaired by the Treasurer.

___ The **Legislative Committee** is a vital part of our organization that serves by reviewing legal and legislative matters that affect our profession. This committee has also served as a liaison to the Legislative Representative.

___ The **Scholarship** committee has the task of reviewing applicants for the Scholarship and determining the winners based on the point system established for the scholarship.

___ The **Certified Survey Technician Committee** has the tasks of communicating the exam schedule for this program and supporting the publicity information for this program to our membership and their employees.

___ The **Newsletter Committee** is tasked with helping our editor secure articles of interest to the society. Additional responsibilities of this committee include evaluating advertising space availability and costs.

___ The **Membership/Member Benefits Committee** works to increase and retain society membership in all membership categories. This committee also works to expand the benefits provided to members through the society.

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Statement of needs and planned use of proceeds: _____

Signature: The undersigned, by signature on this document, verifies that the above information is true and complete and that he/she has a valid need for funds.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Applicant's District Chairman: _____

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Date: _____ Approved by: _____ Amount: _____

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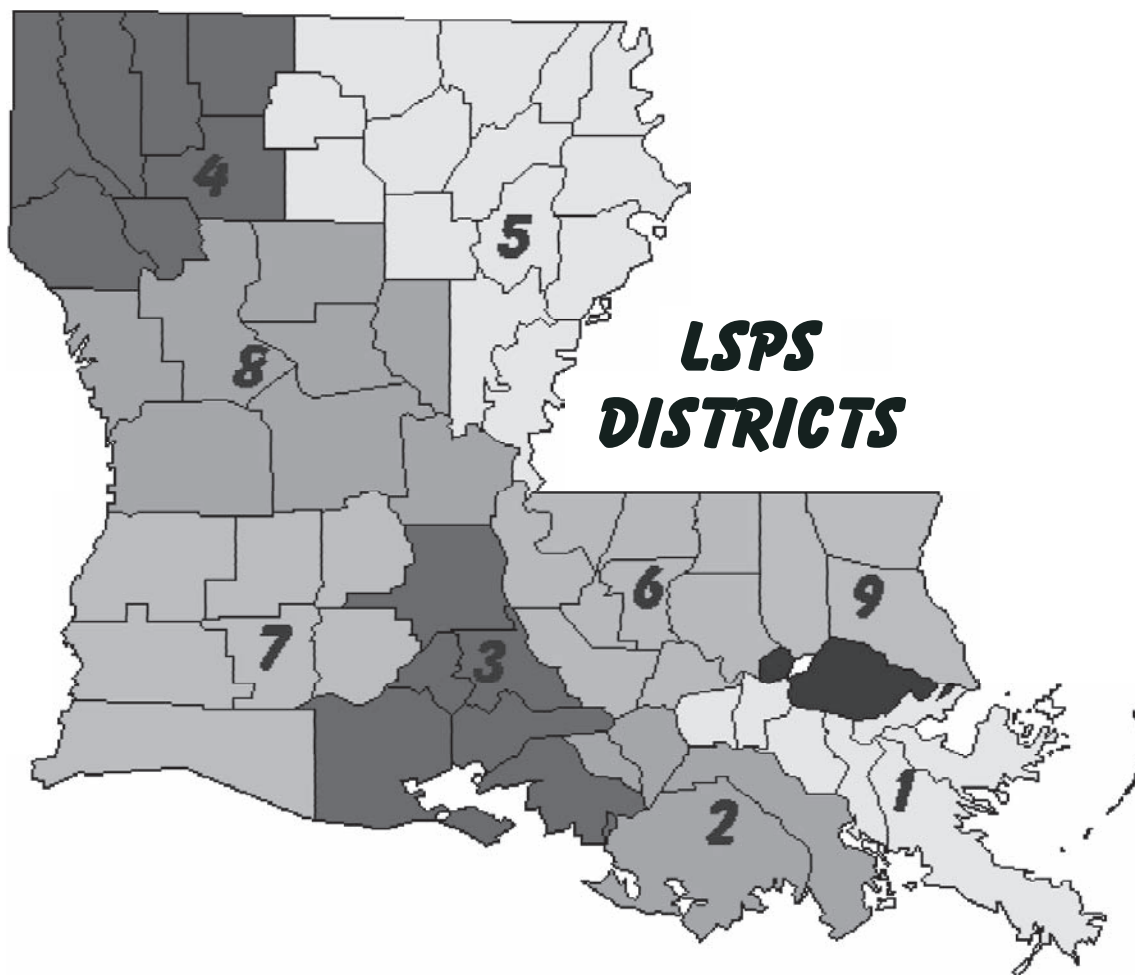
Networking – Who knows more about opportunities in surveying, than those active in it?

Educational Benefits - Want to stay of top of our profession? Most meetings offer opportunity for upgrading your experience through top speakers in our field.

Leadership Opportunities – It is not enough to just join a district. Take advantage of opportunities to get involved in committee work, serve some time as an officer, and help coordinate events. The more active you are, the more visible you become to other members. Leadership roles reflect well on you, and on the company that employs you. It proves they hired a winner!

If you are not an LSPS member, we would like to invite you to attend a District meeting in your area. Contact the LSPS office at lps@bellsouth.net , or the chairman in your area for details about upcoming meetings.

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YEARS

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Member of ACSM: ☐ Yes ☐ No

REFERENCE (LSPS Member, if possible)

Name: _____ Address: _____

GENTLEMEN:

I hereby apply for admission into the Louisiana Society of Professional Surveyors as a _____ Member, and agree to comply with the Charter, By-Laws and the Code of Ethics of the Association. Please assign me to the following district:

District 1 – New Orleans ☐

District 2 – Houma ☐

District 3 – Lafayette ☐

District 4 – Shreveport ☐

District 5 – Monroe ☐

District 6 – Baton Rouge ☐

District 7 – Lake Charles ☐

District 8 – Alexandria ☐

District 9 – Covington ☐

Out-of State ☐

Date: _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

REGISTERED MEMBER

Any person holding a license from the State of Louisiana or any of its agencies authorizing such person to engage in the practice of Land Surveying. Registered Members shall be entitled to vote on all matters and hold any Office in the Corporation.

INITIATION FEE \$10.00 ANNUAL DUES \$65.00

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Surveying in the State of Louisiana. An Associate Member must attain the Status of Registered Member within eight (8) years of cumulative membership or he shall thereupon be reclassified as an Affiliate Member. Associate Members shall be eligible to vote but not to hold office in the Corporation.

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