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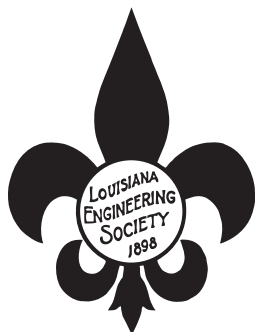
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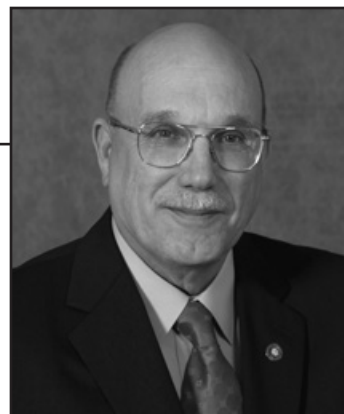
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Theodore H. Thompson, PE



Theodore H. Thompson, PE
Chairman

I begin my comments, with a welcome to our newest board members, Mr. Wilfred Fontenot, PLS and Mr. Thomas Carroll, III, PE, PLS. Mr. Fontenot has been appointed to serve as the surveying representative, replacing Mr. Ernie Gammon, PLS and Mr. Carroll has been appointed as the engineer representing government, replacing Mr. Ali Mustapha, PE. The new member biographical sketches are contained elsewhere in this issue of the Louisiana Engineer and Surveyor Journal. With dual registration status of several members we now have five active professional land surveyors on the board.

This past legislative session was interesting to say the least. In conjunction with the efforts of LES and LSPS, the Board monitors proposed legislation that may affect the practices of engineering and surveying in Louisiana. To our knowledge, no legislation was passed in the 2015 legislative session that would have a negative impact on the operation of the Board, or on the professions that we regulate. However, it was the opposition of many of our registrants that prevented misguided legislation from passing.

Our thanks go to Dr. Norma Jean Mattei, PE who alerted state and national offices of ASCE regarding proposed legislation which many felt was a weakening of our registration laws. I also extend our thanks to Ms. Pamela Gonzales Granger, Louisiana ASCE president, Ms. Maria D. Mathews, manager, national ASCE State Government Relations, and her staff of Aaron Castello, Mark Kilgore, and Casey Dinges, and of course to Mr. Taylor Gravios, PLS, LSPS President, and the LSPS Executive Director, Ms. Rhonda Courville. These individuals worked hard to spread the information, regarding a particular bill and asking their members to oppose. Thanks also go to several registrants who took the time to

appear personally before a committee to voice their opposition.

My thanks to Mr. Chris Knotts, Board Member, Ms. Donna Sentell, LAPELS, Executive Director, Mr. Richard Savoie, PE, Deputy Executive Director, and Mr. Scott Landry, Board Attorney, for their many hours of meetings with numerous individuals and organizations.

Your Board will be attending the NCEES' Annual Meeting in Colonial Williamsburg, this coming August. At this meeting, the state licensing boards that compose NCEES, the organization that develops and administers the exams used for engineering and surveying licensure throughout the United States, will vote on several issues affecting the organization and possibly state registrants. I am advised the membership will vote on approving the Professional Surveying Exam move to CBT, beginning in October 2016.

If you are not familiar with NCEES, other than through the administration of the FE, FS, PE, and PLS exams, I urge you to visit www.NCEES.org. The website provides information regarding the numerous undertakings of NCEES. One of the interesting programs they conduct is a national contest for university students to compete, by entering their senior engineering design projects. The winning university receives \$25,000. You can read about this year's winners on the NCEES website.

Louisiana's Colonel Marcel Garsaud was the first leader of the National Council of State Boards of Engineering Examiners, forerunner of NCEES, in 1920. Louisiana has had some members of NCEES in leadership positions; but, not in quite some time. To be in a leadership position of NCEES, an individual must be an active board member. Louisiana is the only licensing jurisdiction (State or Territory) that has a one-term limit.

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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

September 28, 2015 – New Orleans (Tulane)

November 16, 2015 – Baton Rouge

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I continue to encourage new and old board members to seek an office in NCEES. Many times new members are understandably hesitant about running; because, at the beginning of their term they do not fully understand the operation of NCEES and their relationship with the states and professional organizations.

At this annual meeting our own Mr. Chris Knotts, will be running for NCEES Southern Zone Treasurer. This is the first step for further leadership positions. Our best wishes for Mr. Knotts' success. However, if elected, Mr. Knotts board membership will expire before he would be able to take the next step.

I understand the argument for term limits; however, Louisiana will never be able to advance past Zone (NCEES) vice president, without a change in our laws. We have spoken to NCEES leadership about a change in their rules; but, as the only state with a one-term limit, we are told to change our law.

The LAPELS Board and staff are always busy with duties designed to "safeguard the life, health and property, and

promote the public welfare." Consequently, a lot has taken place over the past few months:

Since May 1 we have received approximately:

- 140 Applications for Certification as an Engineer Intern
- 125 Comity PE Applications
- 315 PE Exam applications
- 20 LSI and PS applications

For FY 14-15, we collected \$69,400 in fines for disciplinary actions (all of this went to the General Revenue Fund) and \$33,000 in administrative costs (retained by LAPELS).

The Board ratified 39 consent orders/enforcement cases during FY 14-15.

LAPELS Board meetings are open to the public. If you have information you would like to present to the Board during the Public Comment period, or if you would simply like to observe our deliberations, you are certainly welcome to do so.

I'd like to close this report with our condolences to the families and friends of the victims of the shootings in Charleston, SC; Chattanooga, TN; and our own Lafayette, LA. Hug your loved ones.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Donna D. Sentell, Executive Director



Donna D. Sentell
Executive Director

RICHARD SAVOIE JOINS THE LAPELS STAFF

Please help me welcome our newest staff member, Mr. Richard L. Savoie, Jr., PE. Mr. Savoie has joined the LAPELS staff as the Deputy Executive Director and brings a wealth of public service and engineering experience to our office. Mr. Savoie, a graduate of McNeese State University with a degree in Civil Engineering, recently retired from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) after 34 years, and the last four years as the state's Chief Engineer. Mr. Savoie also is an emeritus board member of LAPELS, serving from 2007-2013. Aside from the expertise Mr. Savoie brings to the LAPELS staff, some of his responsibilities include assisting with reviewing applications, conducting investigations with the enforcement staff, representing LAPELS at various professional and technical societies, as well as overseeing our Industrial Licensure efforts. Richard can be reached at rsavoie@lapels.com

The Board has recently addressed rule changes concerning rule 1503 (B) - Experience Credit for Graduate Level Engineering Degree. Applicants who have obtained a non-ABET engineering or related science degree, coupled

with an approved PhD degree in engineering, will now receive one year of progressive engineering experience for their education. You can find recent changes to the laws and rules on our website at <http://www.lapels.com/RecentChanges.html>

We continue to conduct our September board meetings on the campus of an engineering school. This year our September board meeting will be held on the grounds of Tulane on September 28. This will mark our sixth campus visit board meeting and it is always an enjoyable and educational outing for the board members and the engineering students.



Richard L. Savoie, Jr., PE
Deputy Executive Director

NEWLY APPOINTED TO THE LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD

THOMAS R. CARROLL, III, PE, PLS

Governor Bobby Jindal has appointed Thomas R. Carroll, III, PE, PLS, to the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. Tom will serve a six-year term on the Board as a Professional Engineer representing Government.

Tom is a native of Opelousas and graduated from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette) with a degree in Civil Engineering in 1974. While at USL, Tom was active in the student chapters of ASCE and LES. He was also a member of the baseball team from 1971-1974.

He began his career with the Corps of Engineers in the New Orleans District. He worked in the Hydraulic Design Section and had the opportunity to be involved in the repair of the Old River Control Structure after the Flood of 1973. He began work in consulting engineering and surveying in 1977 where he spent the next fourteen years working primarily with road and drainage design.

In 1991, he began his career with the City of Lafayette (now Lafayette Consolidated Government) in Public Works as a Project Engineer. In 1993, he became City Engineer and eventually served as Capital Improvements Manager. In 2004, Tom was appointed as Public Works Director where he served for the next ten years. He oversaw a multitude of street, drainage,

WILFRED J. "WILL" FONTENOT, PLS

Mr. Will Fontenot was recently appointed by Louisiana Governor Jindal to the Louisiana Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Board to a six-year term. He graduated from T. H. Harris Vo-Tech School in 1963 in Opelousas and obtained his Professional Land Surveyor registrations in Louisiana in 1983 and in Mississippi in 1986.

He began his career in 1963 with a brief stint at the Greater New Orleans Port Commission followed by him going to work for Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development in 1964. After that, he worked for himself for a few years before going to work for R. L. Bennett & Associate, Inc. in Baton Rouge from 1972 until 1978. In 1978, he went to work for Alex Theriot & Associates until the firm was bought by Alvin Fairburn & Associates in 1999. In 2010, after one day of retirement, Mr. Fontenot came to work at Forte & Tablada, Inc.

Work assignments include: 6.5 miles of topographic surveys, property surveys and Right-of-Way maps for I-49 in Alexandria and topographic and property surveys for an off-system bridge project for LA DOTD that lasted fifteen years and spanned eleven parishes. He also completed topographic surveys, property surveys and Right-of-Way maps for LA Highway

building and parks projects and his duties were expanded when the Traffic and Transportation Department was eventually merged into Public Works. He retired from Lafayette Consolidated Government in 2014 after over 22 years of service.

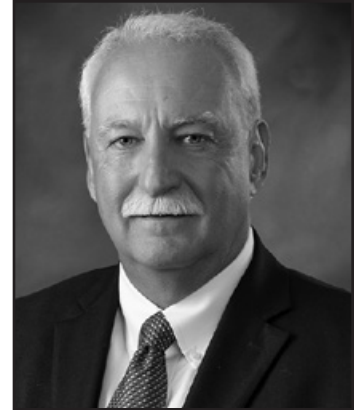
Tom has been involved throughout his career in several professional organizations including ASCE, LES, NSPE and LSPS. He has served as President of Acadiana Branch of ASCE and President of the Lafayette Chapter of LES where he also spent two years as State Coordinator of MATHCOUNTS. He currently is on the ULL Civil Engineering Advisory Committee and has served the past eight years as President of the Ragin Cajun Lettermen Club.

Tom and his wife, Lona, have three children, Claire, Steven and John, and four grandchildren. They reside in Lafayette and he enjoys golf and tennis, working in his yard, and is looking forward to more hunting and fishing in retirement.

415 in West Baton Rouge Parish, LA Highway 911 from Williamsport to Lettsworth, and Joor Road in East Baton Rouge Parish. He was also the Principal-in-Charge for the I-10/Highland Road to LA Highway 73 topographic survey that spanned 7 miles to widen the interstate.

Will was born in Ville Platte, LA in 1944. He graduated from Ville Platte High School in 1961. He was sent off to T. H. Harris Vo. Tech School in Opelousas to learn the surveying profession and has never looked back. He loves to give speeches at local colleges and high schools encouraging students to consider the surveying profession as a career path. He likes to tell students to "Find a job that you love and you'll never work a day in your life."

Will lives with his wife, Jacki, in Walker, LA and between the two of them, they have three sons and three daughters. They have 14 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter as well.



**Thomas R. Carroll, III,
PE, PLS**



**Wilfred J. "Will"
Fontenot, PLS**

DISCIPLINARY AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

Tyson Ducote, Director of Enforcement



Tyson Ducote
Director of Enforcement

The Board continues to investigate alleged violations of the laws and rules which regulate the practice of engineering and land surveying in Louisiana. Substantiated violations result in disciplinary or enforcement action being taken either through

a Consent Order or by Board Decision following a formal hearing at which the respondent is adjudged guilty of one or more violations. Below is a summary of the disciplinary/enforcement actions taken by the Board since the previous issue of the Journal.

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

Kelly's Industrial Services, Inc., an unlicensed firm, was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing land surveying in Louisiana without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1) and (9), *to wit* LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B). In 2013, the firm practiced land surveying in Louisiana by providing services which included a map as a deliverable along with a spreadsheet containing the following data: latitude, longitude, elevation of locations, and depth of cover. The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it understood that its conduct constituted violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$800; to pay administrative costs of \$652; to immediately cease and desist the preparation and issuance of depth-of-cover survey maps as defined in La. R.S. 37:682(13)(a) and otherwise the practicing and/or offering to practice land surveying in Louisiana until such time as it is duly licensed by the Board or otherwise in compliance with the applicable Board laws and rules; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

Greg Kleinpeter, an unlicensed individual, was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing land surveying in Louisiana without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1). In 2013, Mr. Kleinpeter practiced land surveying in Louisiana by providing services which included a map as a deliverable along with a spreadsheet containing the following data: latitude, longitude, elevation of locations and depth of cover. Mr. Kleinpeter has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he understood that his conduct constituted violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$400; to pay administrative costs of \$479; to immediately cease and desist the preparation and issuance of depth-of-cover survey maps as defined in La. R.S. 37:682(13)(a) and otherwise the practicing and/or offering to practice land surveying in Louisiana until such time as he is duly licensed by the Board or otherwise in compliance with the applicable Board laws and rules; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

Freeland-Clinkscales & Associates, Inc. of N.C., an unlicensed firm which subsequently became licensed as a professional land surveying firm effective November 14,

2014 (VF-729), was subject to enforcement action by the Board for practicing and/or offering to practice engineering and/or land surveying and using the words "engineers" and "land surveyors" to identify itself in conjunction with its business activities in Louisiana without proper licensure in violation of La. R.S. 37:681 and 37:700(A)(1), (7) and (9), *to wit* LAC Title 46:LXI§2301(B). In 2013, the firm (a) prepared and issued to its client preliminary and final ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey plats for a project in Louisiana and (b) identified itself on both plats as "engineers" and "land surveyors". The firm has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein it admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$2,500; to pay administrative costs of \$583.20; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

MULTIPLE LAWS/RULES VIOLATIONS:

Fulton V. Clinkscales, Jr., P.L.S., a professional land surveyor (PLS-5005), was subject to disciplinary action by the Board for (a) aiding or assisting another person in violating the laws and/or rules of the Board in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(12) and (b) failing to place the appropriate disclaimer on all preliminary documents, along with the licensee's name, licensure number and firm name in violation of La. R.S. 37:698(A)(6), *to wit* LAC Title 46:LXI§2701(A)(4)(b)(i). In 2013, Mr. Clinkscales (in the name and on behalf of Freeland-Clinkscales & Associates, Inc. of N.C., an unlicensed firm) (a) prepared and issued to their client a preliminary ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey plat for a project in Louisiana which did not contain the requisite preliminary work disclaimer and (b) prepared, signed, sealed and issued to their client a final ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey plat for the same project. Furthermore, the firm identified itself on both plats as "engineers" and "land surveyors". The firm subsequently became licensed as a professional land surveying firm effective November 14, 2014 (VF-729). Mr. Clinkscales was an employee, the President and the owner of the firm. Mr. Clinkscales is now the supervising professional of the firm. Mr. Clinkscales has entered into a Consent Order with the Board, wherein he admitted to the referenced violations of the above laws/rules and agreed to pay a fine of \$1,250; to pay administrative costs of \$583.20; to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz; to successfully complete the Board's online Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz; to immediately cease and desist committing violations of the above laws and/or rules; and to the publication of the Consent Order on the Board's website, the printing of a summary of this matter by name in this publication, and the reporting of this matter by name to NCEES.

NEW REGISTRANTS

Congratulations to the following newly licensed and certified for the period of 4/16/15 through 7/27/15

LAND SURVEYOR INTERNS

Ortego, Terry J., LSI
Plaisance, Gregory James, LSI
Ricard, Jace Michael, LSI

PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR

Callais, Jacob Jude, PLS
Holmes, Jacob Nathaniel, PLS
Macdonald, Scot Andrew, PLS
Martin, Brett Joseph, PLS
Szush, Andrew Warren, PLS
Thornton, Brandon Cole, PLS

SURVEYING FIRMS

Belaire, Latiolais & Associates, LLC, VF
DC Surveying Consultants L.L.C., VF
Mark Squared Services, LLC, VF
McKay & Associates, L.L.C., VF
Percheron Survey LLC, VF
SGC Engineering LLC, VF

ENGINEER INTERNS

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Al Gharably, Maged F., EI
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Bassila, Michael Khalil, EI
Berrey, Jillian Elise, EI
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Craft, Rashad Alexander, EI
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Kramer, Gregory Allen, PE
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LaRue, Brian Keith, PE
Ledet, Adam Michael, PE
Liu, Hsin-Hung, PE
Liu, John Tienchun, PE

Liu, Shammy Xiaoming, PE
Majcher, Erik R., PE
Manceaux, Andrea Broussard, PE
Marlett, James Michael, PE
Marsh, William Jessie, PE
Martin, Amie E., PE
Martin, William Michael, PE
Mason, Robert Gerald, PE
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Matlock, David C., PE
Mayhew, Aileen Scott, PE
McDaniel, Joel Allen, PE
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Palmer, Jason Elliott, PE
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Robinson, Michael Alan, PE
Rodriguez, Samuel David, PE
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Smith, Thomas Kent, PE
Spence, Gregory Scott, PE
Spencer, John Alanson, PE
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Sveda, Steven Victor, PE
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Tavakoli, Amir, PE
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PRESIDENTIAL PRIVILEGE

Heather R. Klingman, PE

I'd like to begin my first presidential privilege article by thanking all of the LES membership for the opportunity to serve as President of the Louisiana Engineering Society. I am very excited about the coming year and am grateful for the opportunity to serve our profession and make a positive impact.

I would also like to thank the 2014-2015 board for their continued service and dedication. With Craig Dooley at the helm as President, we had a very successful year, and with Craig's continued involvement and support, we

will maintain LES's focus on promoting the Society through the various types of social media. I certainly could not do it without Craig, as I told him at the Annual Conference in San Destin, "Hash-tags always have and always will elude me!" So, Craig, again, thank you for your hard work and dedication, and I look forward to continuing to work with you to promote LES in its future endeavors.



Heather R. Klingman, PE
Louisiana Engineering Society President

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August 2015

- 3 Honors & Awards Nominations begin
- 4 20th JESC Planning Meeting – Lafayette, LA

September 2015

- 9 8 Hour Life Safety Code Seminar – Lake Charles, LA
- 11 LES Board Meeting – Shreveport, LA
- 11 8 Hour Life Safety Code Seminar – Covington, LA
- 14 8 Hour Life Safety Code Seminar – Bossier City, LA
- 16 8 Hour Life Safety Code Seminar – Lafayette, LA
- 18 8 Hour Life Safety Code Seminar – Baton Rouge, LA

October 2015

- 6 Alexandria Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 7 Shreveport Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 8 Monroe Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 13 Lake Charles Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 19 Bayou Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 20 Lafayette Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 21 New Orleans Chapter Licensing Ceremony
- 22 Baton Rouge Chapter Licensing Ceremony

SAVE THE DATES

Joint Engineering Societies Conference
January 20 & 21, 2016 – Lafayette, LA

Multi-State Engineering Conference
June 5-7, 2016 – Pensacola Beach, Florida

As some of you know, the 2015 Annual Meeting was held at Sandestin Resort in Destin, FL in June and it was a great success. Thanks to all of the participants and our wonderful Sponsors and Exhibitors, the 2015 meeting was one of the most profitable meetings for us to date, allowing us to continue to improve the meeting agenda and activities. My personal favorite new activity was the "Beach Party". It was great to see everyone enjoying the beach and getting to meet their families. I'd ask everyone to please mark your calendars for next year's Annual Meeting, which will be held June 5-7, 2016 at the Hilton Pensacola in Pensacola, FL. I would also ask anyone who has suggestions on how to better the Annual Meeting, to please contact our Executive Director, Brenda Gajan, myself, or any board member. We are always looking for ways to improve the meeting and make it a better experience for all involved.

Please also mark your calendars for the 2016 JESC Conference in Lafayette. The conference will be held on January 20 & 21, 2016 in Lafayette, LA. We are in the process of finalizing the plans and activities for the Conference, but rest assured, that as always, it will be a fun-filled few days.

In July, myself and a few other LES members had the privilege of attending the 2015 NSPE Annual Conference in Seattle, WA to represent our great state of Louisiana. During the Conference, one problem, that we are all unfortunately aware of, that was reinforced over and over is that State and National Society memberships are declining. Although there are many tough issues that we face, I believe that this is one of the biggest issues, and possibly the most difficult to remedy. In order to overcome this problem, we all need

to work together to recruit new members, maintain existing members, and make sure that LES's Vision and Mission to advocate for and protect the Engineering Profession (so that we, most importantly, can in turn focus on protecting the safety, health, and welfare of the public), is clear and understood by all. We have made good strides over the past year by implementing new membership programs and procedures for recruitment, and will continue to strongly focus on membership over the next year.

Another major focus over the next year will be to keep our membership up to date on the upcoming legislative activities affecting the Engineering Profession. Every year there seem to be more and more proposed bills that negatively affect our Profession. Rest assured that the board will be staying abreast of the issues and doing everything that we can to advocate for the Profession within the legislature.

In closing, thank you again to our membership, and to everyone who selflessly dedicates their time and energy for LES. We appreciate all you do!



Spread the Word about LES!!!

Sponsor a new LES Member by inviting your colleagues to join you as a member of the only organization representing the interest of all engineering professionals.

- Invite them to join you at a chapter event
- Encourage them to visit the LES and NSPE websites
- Send the State Office a list of colleagues you would like to nominate for membership and we will send them membership information.

We appreciate your participation in membership recruitment!



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Baton Rouge Chapter

Vincent Russo, PE Member
Courtney White, PE Member
Firouz Rosti, Student Member

Lafayette Chapter

Matt LeBlanc, PE Member
Robert W. Willie, EI Associate Member
Under 30
Drew K. Callahan, Student Member

Lake Charles Chapter

Jared G. Chaumont, Affiliate

Monroe Chapter

Brent Downs, PE Member
William Meyers, PE Member
Henry Shuler, PE Member

New Orleans Chapter

Andrew Amacker, PE Member
Kenneth W. Buck, PE Member
Francis X. DeBlanc, PE Member
James K. Farrelly, PE Member
Gregory J. Litinger, PE Member
Lance Lyons, PE Member
Frank C. Newell, PE Member
Michael Parsons, PE Member

Lester Rodriguez, PE Member
Steven Simon, PE Member
Sean Warren, PE Member
Branton Nelson, Student Member

Shreveport Chapter

Melinda C. Boncheff, EI Associate Member
Under 30
Jason S. Hathorn, PE Member
Byron E. Trust, PE Member

Non-Resident

Amy Reynolds, PE Member
Ben Shanklin, PE Member



LES 2016 HONORS & AWARDS

Brenda Gajan

LES will honor eight engineers who have achieved high levels of professionalism, technical ability or civic support. The desire of the Society is not only to recognize the distinguished service of these individuals, but to also encourage and inspire other engineers to take a greater interest in their specific field. Please give serious thought to nominating someone in your professional area of expertise for one of the awards listed below. Nominations should be made through your local chapter and are due to the State Office by November 6, 2015. The eight categories are:

- 1) **A. B. Paterson Medal for an Engineer in Management**
- 2) **Andrew M. Lockett Medal for Civic Activities**
- 3) **James L. Todd Technical Accomplishment Medal**
- 4) **Leo M. Odom Award for Service to the Profession**
- 5) **Charles M. Kerr Public Relations Award**
- 6) **F. Hugh Coughlin Young Engineer Award**
- 7) **Waldemar S. Nelson President's Award**
- 8) **Dudley Hixson – Bobby Price National Professional Achievement Award**

SOCIETY NEWS

Brenda Gajan, LES Executive Director

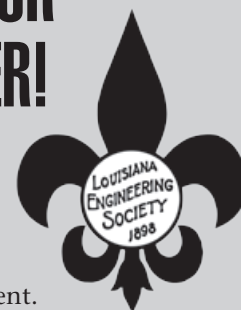


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This is a chance to be recognized for your accomplishment in front of your peers, and network with others in the Engineering Profession. We encourage you to invite family and friends to celebrate this monumental event.



You may RSVP via email to les@les-state.org. Be sure to include your name, license number, & how many guests that will attend with you. You may contact Mrs. Brenda Gajan, LES Executive Director, at (225) 924-2021 or at brenda@les-state.org if you have any questions.

Alexandria Chapter

Tuesday, October 6, 2015 @ 11:30 AM
Outlaw Catfish House & Grill, 2049 N. Mall Dr.

Baton Rouge Chapter

Thursday, October 22, 2015 @ 11:30 AM
Juban's, 3739 Perkins Road

Bayou Chapter

Monday, October 19, 2015 @ 12:00 PM
LaTour, 300 LaTour Blvd., Matthews, LA

Lafayette Chapter

Tuesday, October 20, 2015 @ 11:30 AM
ABACUS, 530 W. Pinhook

Lake Charles Chapter

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 @ 11:30 AM
Pat's of Henderson, 1500 Siebarth Drive

Monroe Chapter

Thursday, October 8, 2015 @ 12:00 Noon
Catfish Cabin, 1400 Louisville Ave.

New Orleans Chapter

Wednesday, October 21, 2015 @ 6:30 PM
Clearview Room, 4436 Veterans Hwy.

Shreveport Chapter

Wednesday, October 7, 2015 @ 11:45 AM
Petroleum Club, 416 Travis Street

2015 NATIONAL MATHCOUNTS® COMPETITION

The National MATHCOUNTS competition was held in Boston, MA on May 7-10, 2015. There were 56 schools and 224 students that participated in the event.



The LA Team was comprised of Jojo Deep (NSU Middle Laboratory School), Neelambar Mondal (Haynes Academy), Saraj Zaveri (Haynes Academy), and Davis Glen Ellis (A.E. Phillips Laboratory School). The LA Team was coached by Ms. Karen Impastato from Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies in Metairie.

The LA Team finished with a ranking of 36th. The highest individual score of the LA Team members achieved a ranking of 92 (out of 224 students).

Mike D'Angelo from the Bayou Chapter served as State MATHCOUNTS Coordinator, and was pleased to have the opportunity to attend the National MATHCOUNTS competition. He served as a test grader.

ALEXANDRIA CHAPTER

By Heath McGuffee, PE

We at the Alexandria Chapter of the Louisiana Engineering Society are excited to kick off another year. We would like to extend a special thank you to our past president, Jennifer Gemar, along with all of our other officers and chair people that worked hard to make last year a success. We hope to continue along this track for the upcoming year. The Alexandria Chapter officers for the upcoming year are:

President: Heath McGuffee, PE
1st Vice President: Kyle Randall, PE
2nd Vice President: William Elliott, PE
Secretary/Treasurer: Jacob Dillehay, E.I.

BATON ROUGE CHAPTER

By Jacob M. Loeske, PE

Thank you to all who have made last year a success for the Baton Rouge Chapter! Special thanks to our Platinum and Gold Sponsors have allowed the Chapter to implement more events and provide additional scholarships to our future engineering students at Southern and Louisiana State Universities. Past President, Chad Bacas, has dedicated many years of service, leadership, and mentorship to the board during his tenure...it was a pleasure serving under you.

I'm honored to serve as the incoming 2015/2016 President of the LES Baton Rouge Chapter. The new Board of Directors for the Baton Rouge Chapter is already hard at work and have begun planning the upcoming year with exciting events that make LES a great society.

Shaun Sherrow, PE - President Elect
Carolina Herrera, PE - Vice President
Lynne Roussel, PE - Secretary/Treasurer
Kevin Beyer, PE - Director

BAYOU CHAPTER

By Chad Hadaway, PE

As the Bayou Chapter Members settle in from summer vacation, most of have been dealing with the tropical heat and humidity daily. This is especially true for members in the coastal areas. By now, most of the kids are back in school and we can soak in some much deserving A/C. The first cool front cannot come fast enough!

At our April chapter meeting, new officers were elected across all positions. Former Chapter President, Stan Whitney was appointed as the Young Engineer Representative to the LES State Board, and will now serve as Chapter Vice-President. Former Secretary-Treasurer, Melanie Caillouet, will take on the role of Math Counts Coordinator. Former Math Counts Coordinator, Michael D'Angelo, will now serve as Secretary-Treasurer. Sincere thanks from everyone in the Bayou Chapter to Stan, Michael, and Melanie for all their hard work. Even though Melanie has successfully removed herself from being an officer, she is still our go to person when we need it most.

June marked the Annual Multi-State Conference held in San Destin, FL which was an exciting time for the Bayou Chapter. First, Heather Klingman, was sworn in as President of the Louisiana Engineering Society. Second, John Plaisance organized another successful golf tournament. And finally, as much as it hurts to say it, Dustin Malbrough led his team to an impressive victory.

We will kick off the new year with our first meeting on September 8th at the Westside Regional Library in Alexandria. The topic for our first meeting will be an update for the ongoing Ft. Buhlow Bridge project. A full list of chapter meetings will be included in the Alexandria Chapter Newsletter. We appreciate the support that the chapter has shown to its officers, and we encourage our members to participate in the meetings. Any feedback on how we can better serve our members is appreciated.

I am looking forward to the upcoming year serving as your chapter's president and seeing you all again in September.



Gregory Trahan, PE - Director
Michael Somme, PE - Young Member Chair
Chad Bacas, PE - Past President.

A snapshot of events are our general meetings, LSU/SU Student Function, annual sporting clay tournament, annual golf tournament, MathCounts competition, and our annual Engineering Week Banquet. We are always open to constructive criticism and ideas from our LES members to make this year better than the last. If you have a topic of discussion or suggestions that would be of interest to our membership, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at loeskejacob@stanleygroup.com.

In conclusion, I would like to welcome any new members, challenge our entire membership to become more involved in the society, and mentor our future engineers in the community. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.



In addition to the successes of the Bayou Chapter, a LES Board Meeting was held on June 27th in San Destin, FL where many ideas were discussed to increase both attendance at chapter meetings and chapter membership. With this in mind, the Bayou Chapter will start to hold its chapter meetings at LaTour Golf Course located in the central part of Lafourche Parish. This should be an ideal location which will help ensure that the majority of the members should have a 30-45 minute drive. Meetings will initially be held on Monday's during lunch until the new clubhouse meeting rooms are built. We have also invited one of our local State Representatives/Senators at each meeting to give the chapter a legislative update. Our upcoming Bayou Chapter meeting dates will be:

August 24, 2015 - Bayou Chapter Meeting
September 21, 2015 - Bayou Chapter Meeting
October 19, 2015 - Bayou Chapter Licensing Ceremony

We would like to invite all of the chapter members to attend and consider reaching out to other engineers in their community who are not yet Bayou Chapter Members. It may be helpful to remember the LES Vision Statement, "The Louisiana Engineering Society is the recognized advocate of all licensed engineers in the State of Louisiana." If that does not work, remind them how much fun our golf tournament is!

MONROE CHAPTER

By Brad Anzalone, PE

I hope everyone had a safe summer and enjoyable summer. As summer comes to an end, we begin preparations for another year with LES. I am honored to serve as the incoming President of the Monroe Chapter. Filling the shoes of our Past President Jim Ellingburg will not be an easy task. I would like to thank Jim and the rest of the officers for all their time and energy they have devoted over the last year. This year we look forward to building upon their success. The Monroe Chapter officers for 2015 - 2016 are as follows:

President: Brad Anzalone, PE
1st Vice President: Joey Riffin, PE, PLS
2nd Vice President: Brant Jones, EI
Secretary-Treasurer: Michael Swanbom, PE

Our new officers will meet in early August to plan for the upcoming year. We will discuss monthly meetings

and other upcoming events. I would like to encourage all of our Chapter members to contact any of the officers with ideas which you feel would benefit our Chapter.

Our first chapter meeting under this years' leadership will be at noon on September 10, 2015. We will continue to meet at noon on the second Thursday of every month (Sept - May). Each meeting will host a guest speaker presenting on various technical topics. One PDH will be awarded to each member who attends. Additional details regarding the meetings and upcoming events will be included in our monthly newsletter which will resume in September.

I look forward to serving as the Monroe Chapter President. With your support, I know it will be another successful year!



NEW ORLEANS CHAPTER

By Robert Mejia, PE

This summer has been entirely too short but yet, most of us are looking forward to cooler fall weather and football! The NO-LES Chapter is also looking forward to getting back to our regular meetings. During the May 2015 Board meeting of the New Orleans Chapter of the Louisiana Engineering Society, the following were elected to the 2015-2016 Board:

President: Robert Mejia, PE
1st Vice President: Roy Phelps, PE
2nd Vice President: Nick Musmeci, PE
Secretary/Treasurer: Bodin Hugger, PE
Past President: Glenn Orgeron PE, J.D.
Director: Richard Van Wootten, PE
Director: Kirk Farrelly, PE

I'm honored to have been elected to the President's position of an organization that I have long admired and supported. It's going to be quite a challenge to follow in the footsteps of our 2014-2015 President, Glenn Orgeron. Glenn did a great job as President last year; he brought a fresh perspective as not only a licensed Professional Engineer but also as a practicing attorney.

I look forward to interacting with this Board, the other LES Chapters and the LES State Office to achieve our common goals. My fellow NO-LES Board members have inspired me to work

together with them towards the objectives of the NO-LES Chapter:

"The objectives of the Chapter shall be the professional improvement of its members and the advancement of the art and science of engineering..."

To that end, we'll be having our Annual NO-LES Planning Retreat on August 15th to ink our meeting topics and discuss issues to tackle this fiscal session. The Golf Committee has been busy planning the 8th Annual Louisiana Engineering Society New Orleans Chapter Fall Golf Tournament, scheduled for October 2nd. Please make plans to participate; it's always a good time on the historic Audubon Park Golf Course.

I'd like to take this opportunity to invite the Metro New Orleans members to send me an email message and make suggestions on how we can provide more value for your membership (RMejia"at""Hargrove-EPC.com). This can be any comments you might have, at any time during the 2015-2016 session: meeting venue suggestions, meeting topics that might be of interest to you, comments about what LES does right for you and what it could do better for you or just to say hello. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at our meetings this session!



SHREVEPORT CHAPTER

By Tyler Comeaux, PE

As we begin this year with LES, I would like to thank all the dedicated LES Shreveport Chapter leadership we have had over the past years and also welcome this year's leadership team. All current and past officers have made a commitment to serve the Shreveport Chapter membership by giving of their time and energy. The Shreveport Chapter officers for the 2015-2016 year are as follows:

President: Tyler Comeaux, PE
1st Vice President: Lem Dial, PE
2nd Vice President: Wade Himel, PE
Secretary: Jeffery Anderson, PE
Treasurer: Ali Mustapha, PE
Immediate Past President: Ryan Estess, PE

The acting officers will meet several times before the calendar year begins in order to plan the monthly membership meetings and other events throughout this coming year. I

would like to encourage any Shreveport Chapter member to contact one of the officers if you have ideas or know of events that would benefit or grow our chapter membership as a whole. Our first meeting of the year is scheduled for 11:45 AM on September 9, 2015. Additional details about the meeting (i.e., - speaker/topic, location, etc.) will be included in the chapter newsletter to be sent out prior to that date. We will also be having the Licensing Ceremony during our October 7th luncheon. We will have individuals with the State LES office and LAPELS Board Members in attendance to conduct a Licensing Ceremony for new registrants in our Chapter. Meetings throughout the year will typically be on the second Wednesday of each month beginning at 11:45, and will feature a technical topic that will be presented by a guest speaker. One (1) PDH will be awarded to each member who attends.



NSPE FELLOWS

The National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) has named James E. Bowie, Jr., PE and Susan H. Richard, PE to its 2015 class of Fellow Members. The Fellow membership grade honors Professional Engineers who have demonstrated exemplary service to their profession, society and their community. Since its creation in 2000, less than one percent of all NSPE members have advanced to this highest membership rank.

James Bowie has a history of over 30 years of dedicated service to LES and the engineering profession as a whole. In addition to providing leadership at the chapter level, Jim has served on the LES Board of Direction as Chair of the Professional Engineers in Education for over 15 years. He recently completed a six year term as a member of the Louisiana's Professional Engineering and Land surveying licensing board and is also a past president of the Louisiana Engineering Foundation. In addition to his professional accomplishments and service to NSPE and LES, Jim has been very involved in his community. As a professor of civil engineering at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette of 28 years, Jim has instilled professional dedication and ethical practice in the minds of numerous engineering students.

Susan Richard has been an active member of LES since 1991. Susan has served LES at all state office levels, culminating in her Presidency in 2010-2011. She was the first female president of the Society since its inception in 1898. She currently serves as NSPE Representative for LES. Susan graduated from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in 1987 and has been employed by Domingue, Szabo and Associates, Inc. in Lafayette since 1992, currently serving as a Project Engineer/Manager. Susan has been very involved in the community, including the UL Engineering Alumni Council, Leadership Lafayette, and as a volunteer for Our Lady of Fatima School and Parish, and St. Thomas More High School.



James E. Bowie, Jr., PE



Susan H. Richard, PE

2015 NSPE MEETING — SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Members of the board of LES attended the NSPE Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington, that was held July 15-18, 2015. Attendees included Heather Klingman, President; Susan Richard, NSPE Representative; Alan Krouse, PEPP Chairman; Chris Richard, NSPE PEPP Chairman; and Brenda Gajan, Executive Director of LES. The meeting was very well attended and included leadership tracks for state leaders in attendance as well as professional development offerings.



The Board of Delegates meeting included debate on the sunseting and/or re-adoption of several Position Statements and Professional Policies. No action was taken so as to allow the State societies to get their members' input into the positions to be taken. Of key concern were the Professional Policy 168 and Position Statement No. 1737, which deal with engineering education requirements going forward. The Engineering Body of Knowledge and the possibility of a master's degree or additional thirty curriculum hours are being considered. Members of LES are encouraged to review what NSPE is proposing at <http://www.nspe.org/sites/default/files/resources/documents/hod/2015/Attach-8-LQPC-Report.pdf> and send your comments to Brenda@les-state.org for the State board's consideration.

The meeting also included elections of the Vice President and Treasurer. Tom Roberts of Kansas was elected Vice President, and Julia Harrod of Texas was elected Treasurer. Congratulations to these dedicated professionals.

NSPE continues to reach out to members to find out "what NSPE can do for you." NSPE invites all members to join us at the next annual meeting in June 2016 in Dallas, Texas. More details will be posted in early 2016 at their website www.nspe.org.

LOUISIANA ENGINEERING FOUNDATION

Alan Krouse, PE



Alan Krouse, PE

In 2008 the Louisiana Engineering Foundation began an endowed scholarship program to provide much needed funds to deserving engineering students in Louisiana. Since 2010 The Foundation has given out over \$40,000 to engineering students at all seven universities that offer engineering in Louisiana. The Foundation currently has over \$370,000 endowed in 25 scholarships.

Every donation helps and we hope you will be a part of this great initiative to provide for the future engineers of Louisiana.

The scholarships provided by the Foundation, through your donations, can help attract bright students to our rewarding field. The twenty-five scholarships that have been established to date are:

- Charles L. Eustis, P.E. Scholarship
- LEF Civil Engineering Scholarship
- James and Margaret Mohr Civil Engineering Scholarship
- Waldemar Nelson Engineering Scholarship
- Albert "Al" J., Jerri H., David Scott Dunn Civil Engineering Scholarship
- NSPE Hurricane Katrina Scholarship
- NSPE Hurricane Rita Scholarship
- Alexandria Chapter Scholarship
- Baton Rouge Chapter Scholarship
- Lafayette Chapter Scholarship
- Ernest P. Breaux Electrical, Inc. Scholarship
- Badeaux Engineers Civil Engineering Scholarship-ULL
- Badeaux Engineers Civil Engineering Scholarship-LSU, BR
- CSRS Scholarship for Minority Student in Civil Engineering Scholarship
- Albert "Al" Johnson Dunn P.E., PLS Scholarship
- The Shaw Group, Inc. Scholarship
- Dr. Bobby Price, PE Memorial Professional Engineering Scholarship.
- LES Engineering Scholarship
- Vincent A. Forte Graduate School Fellowship
- ASCE Civil Engineering Scholarship
- Lazenby & Associates, Inc. Scholarship
- New Orleans Chapter Scholarship
- Bayou Chapter Scholarship
- Lake Charles Chapter Scholarship
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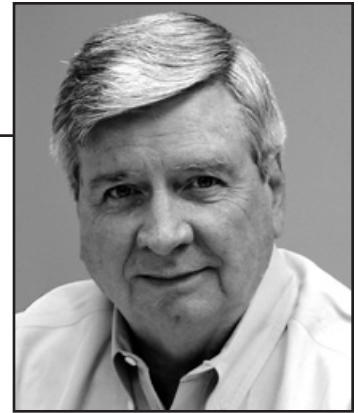
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While we remain vigilant in tracking the formation of new laws, the recently concluded state legislative session left a lot of people in the engineering and transportation community scratching their heads like a group of Sunday drivers encountering a new DOTD roundabout. Upon closer inspection, it appears we are headed in the right direction; we're just taking an unfamiliar path to get there.

When the session began, all eyes were on a pair of tax proposals that would benefit transportation. One measure would have raised sales taxes by one penny, with the revenue earmarked for a group of statewide transportation projects and capitalization of a statewide infrastructure bank. The second proposal was to raise the motor fuels tax by 10 cents, with the money going toward transportation projects. Both bills enjoyed more support than any similar measure has received in the last seven years. However, the straight-forward bills to raise taxes for basic government services ultimately gave way to a legislative labyrinth masterminded by Sen. Robert Adley, chairman of the Senate Transportation, Highways and Public Works Committee.

Adley's plan involves several moving parts. First, the 2008 law to transfer vehicle sales tax revenues from the general fund to the Transportation Trust Fund was repealed. In theory, the vehicle sales tax money would have been a bump of as

much as \$400 million to flow to transportation. Exactly how much money would go to transportation depends largely on the barrel price of crude oil. According to the several sources, including the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources' Technology Assessment Division, the state receives between \$10 million and \$12 million of direct revenue from oil severance taxes and royalty payment for every \$1 per barrel change in oil prices. If that holds true, oil will have to top \$70 a barrel before any money finds its way to roads, bridges and ports. Even with oil prices hovering around \$50 a barrel this summer, most believe there's a better chance the price of oil will go up than the legislature ever weaning its general fund off the vehicle sales tax revenue. Some viewed the swap for the \$400 million in vehicle sales tax money for the \$100 million in mineral revenues as a bad deal for transportation. However, while it is doubtful the mineral fund route will ever reach \$400 million, the chances that some money actually will make it to transportation projects are much better.

Another gear in the Adley plan is a Constitutional Amendment 1, which recasts the Budget Stabilization Fund (commonly referred to as the Rainy Day Fund) as the Budget and Transportation Stabilization Trust. This trust would have two subfunds – the Budget Stabilization Subfund and the Transportation Stabilization Subfund. Money for each subfund would come from mineral revenues. Voters will get a chance to vote up or down on that Constitutional Amendment 1 in the October 24 election.

Another important measure on the October 24 ballot is Constitutional Amendment 2, which simply states, "Do you support an amendment to authorize the investment of funds for a state infrastructure bank to be used solely for transportation projects?" This amendment, by Rep. Karen St. Germain, is the same measure voters resoundingly defeated last fall, but efforts to pass that amendment were dogged by the fact that there was no infrastructure bank to fund. This year, St. Germain's legislation to create the bank passed, so hopes are high that the amendment to fund the bank will pass this year.

Another important bill that passed this session was a new law that limits the seemingly free flow of money from the TTF to State Police. Rep. Terry Landry's bill puts a \$45 million cap on TTF transfer to State Police this year; the cap drops to \$20 million in 2016-17 and then to \$10 million each year thereafter. We believe Landry's bill is significant because it immediately puts tens of millions of dollars more into transportation without raising taxes for transportation. This is important because there surely will be a move in 2016 to raise the state gas tax, which has been stuck at 20 cents-per-gallon for a quarter-Century.

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- **Construction Management At Risk Legislation – Act 163 (SB 162)** This law changes the floor on CMAR projects from \$25 million to \$3 million and limits the CMAR pilot program to 10 projects. The previous law required the owner to select the CMAR contractor either before, but not later than, design is 30% complete if the benefits of the CMAR method reduce as the design process progresses. The new law declares that the benefits of using the CMAR method reduce as project design progresses and allows the owner's design professional to determine the design completion percentage.

In closing, I want to share some thoughts on the importance of ACEC/L's work in monitoring the legislative process and in providing valuable information to our public officials on matters that impact our member firms. While many in Louisiana consider the political scene in general as a form of spectator sport and small-talk fodder, ACEC/L sees it differently. What happens at the capitol does not stay at the capitol; it often affects your business. ACEC/L monitors hundreds of bills each session to identify those that can help or hurt our member firms. We contact your legislators to let them know how their actions impact our member firms, and we follow

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