

Tampa Bay Field Book

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Next Tampa Bay Chapter Meeting:

Free additional CEC!

Thursday, July 24, 2014 @ Safety Harbor Grill & Bar

997 Main Street, Safety Harbor, FL 34695

Guest speaker: Ron Hanson, PSM – FPRN Manager for FDOT

RSVP at: fsms.tampabay.chapter@gmail.com

Happy Hour at 5:30 pm – Meeting/dinner at 6:30 pm - \$20 for members

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

At the beginning of the new semester an English professor announced to the freshman students in his class; "There are two words I don't allow in my classroom. One is gross. And the other is cool."

From the back of the room a young voice called out, "Yeah? So, what are the words?"

Greetings. Instructions we give our employees on the assignments that they are issued are very important in that every survey is different in some way. Each is a custom work that is unique only to itself. So the importance of certain instructions can be diluted by the monotony of day to day routine. On several occasions specific instructions were given verbally only to come back later with the work not complete or wrong, with the explanation that the instructions were misunderstood or "I thought you said..."

Again, as referred to in last month's message, if due to not paying attention to detail (such as in special instructions), results in poor or incorrect information, we then either spend too much time and effort to correct the error or we wind up sending out a bad survey. I have made it, as much as possible, a policy to write out extra or special instructions, to be clear with the crew and technical staff. This also applies to the client with email follow up to the phone calls. Memory is convenient and we are too often only hearing what we want to hear. Just ask my wife.

Our next meeting will be on July 24th at a new location, the Safety Harbor Grill. Our scheduled speaker is Ron Hanson, PSM, with FDOT in Tallahassee, to discuss the Florida Permanent Reference Network (FPRN) program. It will be very interesting and worth one credit hour.

And in case you haven't heard, we now accept credit cards. Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. Of course there is a small fee of 3% +/- for this convenience but this is much more convenient than stopping by an ATM. We are the first chapter to accept credit cards and so far we have very few problems. We hope we can be a shining example for others to follow.

"I think a secure profession for young people is history teacher, because in the future, there will be so much more of it to teach." -Bill Muse-

(Amongst other professions, Surveyors are also history teachers. Just saying.)

Attend the chapter meetings and events. It's what professionals do. Also please visit the website – www.fsms-tbc.org for all of the latest information on current events.

See you there

Thanks,

Leon Hampton, PSM

FSMS website:

www.fsms.org

Tampa Bay Chapter website:

www.fsms-tbc.org

Florida Surveying & Mapping Society, Tampa Bay Chapter
Thursday, June 26, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Location: Beef O' Brady's, 9311 North 56th Street, Temple Terrace, FL 33617

Meeting Start: 6:30 pm

Persons in Attendance: 25 members and guests

President Leon Hampton opened the meeting with the reading of the anti-trust statement, introductions around the room and the invocation.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

FSMS Secretary Dianne Collins brought up a misspelling of "Sanchez"

MOTION 1: A **motion** was made by FSMS Secretary Collins to accept the minutes as revised with spelling correction. The motion was **seconded** by Ed Wackerman and passed unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Pete Mattson reported that Governor Rick Scott signed the bill that included changes to Chapter 472 and reminded members that the annual FSMS conference is coming in August.

CIVIC COMMITTEE REPORT

Secretary Chris Wild announced that the chapter's "Adopt-A-Highway" segment is going to be State Road 580 (Hillsborough Ave.) from George Rd. to Hesperides St.

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT

President-Elect Joe Shatto described the approaching bowling fundraiser that raises money for the PAC. 18 bowlers have confirmed so far and more are welcome on Saturday, June 28 at 1pm. Special Events update by President-Elect Joe Shatto

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

President Hampton announced next month's guest speaker will be Ron Hanson from FDOT speaking on the FPRN.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Treasurer David Lechner reported that the donation to the UF Geomatics computer lab for \$1000 was received at the university and they sent the chapter a thank you letter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION 2: A **motion** was made by President Hampton to accept the Treasurer's Report as published in the Tampa Bay Field Book. As there was no further discussion on the motion, it was **seconded** by Bob Dye and passed unanimously.

GUEST SPEAKER

Jose Sanchez, Geomatics General Manager for Hillsborough County Public Works gave a presentation on the history and future of the Hillsborough County benchmark system.

NEW BUSINESS

- The chapter's drawing for a free conference registration will take place at July's meeting.
- Voting for chapter officers will take place online in the next few weeks.
- WCLSA will have Tampa Police Chief Jane Castor at their July 10th meeting and have invited TBC members to attend.

MOTION 3: A **motion** was made by Joe Boyle to adjourn the meeting. FSMS Secretary Collins **seconded** the motion and it passed unanimously at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tampa Bay Chapter Secretary Chris Wild.

JUNE 2014 Treasurer's Report

Tampa Bay Chapter - Florida Surveying & Mapping Society

Treasurer's Report - JUNE 2014

Submitted by: David Lechner

Beginning Balance JUNE 1, 2014	\$4,656.19
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Income:

6/26/2014	DINNER AT BEEF O' BRADYS TEMPLE TERRACE	\$455.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/26/2014	TOM KANEY FUND (RAFFLE)	\$45.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/26/2014	BOWLING LANE SPONSORSHIP	\$30.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/30/2014	BOWLING ADMISSION (SQUARE)	\$82.04	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Income:	\$612.04	\$5,268.23
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Expenses:

6/9/2014	P.O. BOX (1 YEAR RENEWAL)	\$62.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/9/2014	BOWLING DEPOSIT	\$50.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/11/2014	UF GEOMATICS COMPUTER LAB DONATION	\$1,000.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/26/2014	DINNER AT BEEF O' BRADYS TEMPLE TERRACE	\$371.43	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6/30/2014	CHECK ENCLOSURE FEE	\$5.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Total Expenses:	\$1,488.43	\$3,779.80
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Balance as of JUNE 30, 2014

\$3,779.80

✓ - cleared in Bank Statement

Dedicated Funds:

JERRY HUNTSMAN'S FAMILY (CASHED 7/1/14)	\$500.00
FULL REGISTRATION FSMS CONFERENCE	\$500.00
FSMS BBQ	\$250.00
TKF Fund (2014)	\$210.00
PAC FUND	\$251.04
GALLONS FOR GI'S	\$0.00

Net Cash:	\$2,068.76
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June 27, 2014

Mr. Leon Hampton, President
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Dear Mr. Hampton:

On behalf of the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), I would like to say thank you for your recent gift to the ***Geomatics Computer Lab***. We greatly value the support and commitment of the Florida Survey and Mapping Society – Tampa Bay Chapter.

I would also like to share with you exciting developments here at IFAS. With the backing of the Florida Legislature, President Machen has outlined a plan to establish the University of Florida as one of the nation's premier public research universities. This plan includes investment in IFAS programs that will promote cutting-edge research and improve the lives of people in our community, state, nation and the world.

Through the support of donors we continue to lead the charge on key initiatives such as international food security, innovative material design and plant genomics. It is through these efforts that IFAS sustains an international reputation for superior accomplishments in teaching, research and extension. You can continue to expect great things from IFAS, and I invite you to visit ifas.ufl.edu to follow our progress and see how IFAS and you are moving Florida, and the world, forward.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jack M. Payne'.

Jack M. Payne
Senior Vice President

JMP/cln

Announcements:

59th Annual FSMS Conference

August 13th-17th at the Sawgrass Marriott Resort and Spa in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

More info at www.fsms.org

Conference Drawing

The Tampa Bay Chapter is giving away one *full conference registration* with one night's hotel stay to one member at the July chapter meeting.

To be eligible to win, you must:

- Be a full member at time of drawing
- Attend a minimum of 50% of chapter events

Earn an **additional entry** in the drawing for every event attended beyond the required 50%.

Section Corner Monuments

Free section corner monuments and accessories still available from:

Pinellas County Survey Section
22211 US Highway 19 N
Clearwater, FL 33765
(727) 464-8904 ext: 48876
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Available Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00pm

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