

DEEP EAST TEXAS CHAPTER No. 6 NEWS

November 1, 1998

Texas Society of Professional Surveyors

Vol. 3, Issue 4

President's Column:

I would like to take this opportunity to again thank those of you who attended the annual Chapter business meeting and officer installation. I was afforded an opportunity to meet a lot of new colleagues of the profession and look forward to working for and with each of you. Admittedly, the task ahead of us will require much effort and participation in order to build upon the tremendous success we have enjoyed as of late.

As outlined in this newsletter, our next chapter meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9. I look forward to fellowship as well as the business to be addressed. I plan to simply review our standing committees and perhaps introduce a thought to a couple of new committees. With this in mind, the chapter as a whole will be dependent upon each member to take an active role of some form or fashion. More participation certainly rewards us with fewer burdens individually, but also allows for increased thoughts and ideals. Also, this is your society and your profession, hence the need for your participation.

In closing, I want to encourage each of you to call upon me at anytime with suggestions, thoughts or questions. I can be reached by telephone at (409) 385-5201, by fax at (409) 385-5213 or by e-mail at Lequin.Hilderbrand@LPCorp.com.

Dilbertism of the Quarter: (Being employed by a 13,000 employee corporation, we are required to have annual and quarterly goals and objectives) It doesn't matter what you have done or what you have said you were going to do, it only matters what you say you are going to do.

Minutes of Meeting

The Chapter held its Annual Business Meeting September 21st at Don's Seafood and Steakhouse in Beaumont. Twenty-seven people were in attendance. Business meeting started at 7:00 PM.

- Meeting called to order and opening remarks by Richard Worthey
- Invocation by Anthony Leger
- Minutes of Meeting of last quarter accepted.
- Financial report was presented by Joe Breaux and accepted.
- Reports of special committees and projects given including:
 1. Ethics Committee
 2. NGS Calibrated Baseline Project
 3. Control Network Project
 4. Spindletop Celebration Project

- Old Business

Use of the Internet was discussed as it pertains to Chapter membership services. It was suggested that a survey be made of all members to determine their preferred method of receiving the newsletter and special notices. It was agreed that a questionnaire be included in the next newsletter.

- New Business

1. Special Awards recognizing individual leadership achievements were awarded to Ron Davis and Mitch Brackin
2. Special Award given to Charles Lawley recognizing his long standing commitment and support of the Chapter's goals and projects.

- Guest Speaker Mark Hanna spoke on issues concerning TSPS members.
- East Area Chapter Representative Roger McDonald installed the 1999 Officers and Board of Directors for the Chapter.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Transit & Level Clinic Re-opens

We announced in our last newsletter that the Transit & Level Clinic was closing its doors for good. We are happy to report that the store has re-opened under new management to provide the same quality of services and commitment to local surveyors.

TSPS Annual Meeting Held in San Antonio

The annual meeting in San Antonio broke records for attendance. Several local chapter members attended the various seminars and events. Chapter President Lequin Hilderbrand was introduced to other TSPS members at the Chapter Presidents Breakfast. Chapter Representative Richard Worthey was introduced as the new East Area Chapter Representative for TSPS. Gilbert Johnston was back by popular demand as the emcee of the awards gala. Other local members spotted were Bill Warrick, John Cannatella and James Skinner. Look for more details in the upcoming *Texas Surveyor* issue.

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 31 Annual Chapter Skeet Shoot

Contact: Mitch Brackin for details

Nov. 9 Chapter Quarterly Meeting (Monday Night)

Location: The Schooner Restaurant
Nederland, Texas

Social Mixer: 6:30 PM

Dinner: 7:00 PM

Meeting: 8:00 PM

Agenda: Quarterly Reports
Old/New Business

Topic: *To Be Announced*

Speaker: *To Be Announced*

1999 Officers and Board of Directors:

President	Lequin Hilderbrand
Vice President	Mitch Brackin
Secretary/Treasurer	W. Joe Breaux
Director	Gilbert Johnston
Director	Steve Boucher
Director	Nedra Foster
Director	Steve Butz