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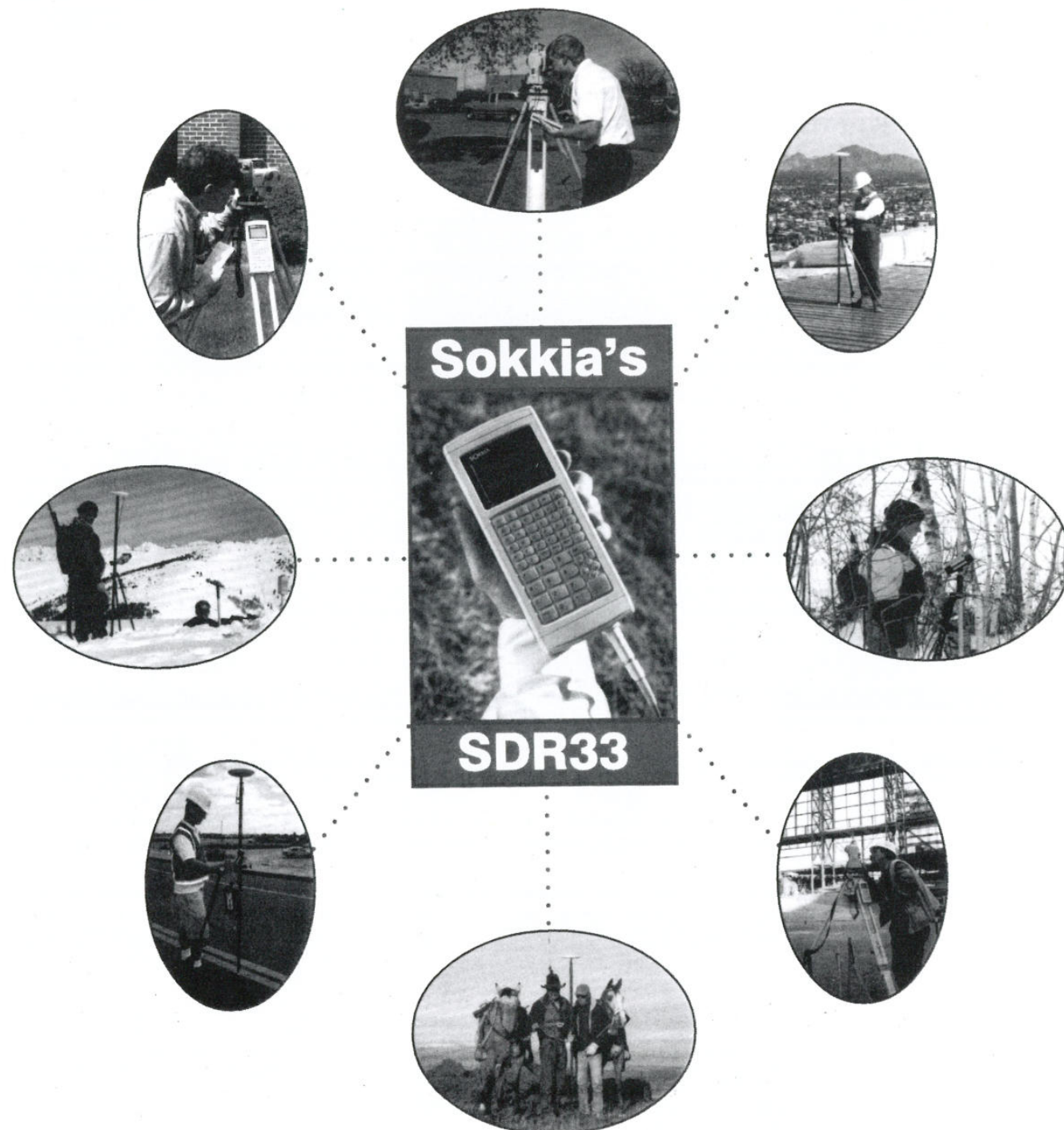
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SOURCES OF SNAKE RIVER

SNAKE RIVER EXPEDITION -
JAMES STEVENSON, DIRECTOR

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EDITORIAL POTPOURRI

- 0 NEW MEMBERS - At the December BOD meeting, the following new members were approved:
- | | | |
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| Aaron Grosch | Cody, WY | Associate |
| Spectra Precision | Itasca, IL | Sustaining |
| Paul Hahn | | |
| Roger Collyer | Bozeman, MT | To be approved |

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS

- 0 PLSW BOARD MEETINGS - The Board meetings for 2000 are as follows:
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| 26 AUG 00 | Thermopolis |
| 11 NOV 00 | Casper |
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer time is here and we all are pretty busy, although most of us never slowed down much during the winter months. As our business has been busy so has our Professional Society. Big Sky 2000 went over extremely well, thanks to Kevin Jones and his support staff help. Big Sky has projected a return of approximately \$3645 for our initial investment and an additional \$1815 for scholarship.

Joel Ebner and the Trig Star Committee has again done a great job of coordinating the state program and has awarded \$300 each to Pat Grady and Terry Quinn for being the state winner and associated teacher. Linda Able and friends have put together a very interesting exhibit on surveying including some very early notes and reports from Wyoming at the Washakie County Museum. If you get a chance to see it, you won't want to miss it.

The S.O.S. Committee has announced that Shane Hansen, of Steil Surveying Services received 2nd place in Subdivisions Maps and that John Sayers, of Steil Surveying Services received 3rd place in Misc. Maps in the NSPS Map/Plat National Contest. Congrats to both!

I know that there are several others (to many to mention here) working diligently to promote our Society and Profession and I thank you all.

Right now surveying services are in a great demand and

now is the time for all of us to work even harder to promote our Profession and Society while we are in the 'spotlight'. We wait until our business slows down to work for our Society, then people will not want to listen to us as much as when we are in great demand and are needed. The future life of our Society is in our hands today. I ask each and every one of you to make time today to volunteer to help our Committee Chairmen in their assigned tasks. The work and contacts we accomplish now will be invaluable when the time comes that the economy slows, our workload decreases and we are in need for change.

Several of our Chapters are having a difficult time in getting together and holding meetings. We need to have our Chapters be strong in order to help our State Society. Please make the time to get together and have regular meetings so that when problems or questions arise then you will have friendly contacts in your chapter to help you negotiate through the problems. Your Committee Chairmen and directors are putting in extra time for all of us, but they can not do it alone, they need help from the chapter members.

Our next Board of Directors meeting will be Saturday, August 26 at Santa Fe Trails Restaurant in Rock Springs. So please feel welcome to stop by and see what your Board is doing to insure your future.

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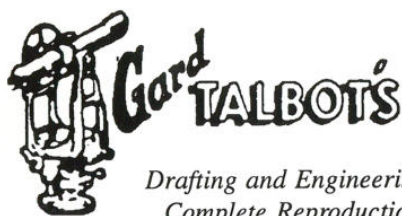
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Submit six prints for each entry with a maximum map size of 34" by 44". *Entries must be folded to fit in a 9" by 12" envelope.*

Submissions must be a single drawing; it may originate as part of a set of drawings, however, it must be entered as a single sheet. *All entries must be postmarked by December 31, 2000. Use one entry form per document submitted.* An entry fee of \$20.00 must accompany each form. The committee will notify the winners to send a print for display at the conference.

All entries will be judged on adherence to the minimum standards as set forth by NSPS. The judges will consider interpretability, content and layout of data shown, presentation, innovation, applicability to typical client or persons using this type of map, and correctness. Neatness and accuracy of scale will also be considered. Prizes will be given in categories where three or more entries are received. The decisions of the judges are final.

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Each nomination must include a narrative stating the reasons why the sponsors feel the nominee is deserving of this honor, specific accomplishments the nominee has made toward the profession and biographical data that can be used in the award presentation.

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Professional Land Surveyors of Wyoming
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, 13 May 2000

The Board of Directors' Meeting of the Professional Land Surveyors of Wyoming.

- a. Location: Worland, Wyoming, at the Washakie Museum.
- b. Date & Time: Saturday, 13 May 2000 at 10:15 hrs. M.D.T.

- c. Presiding Officer: Mr. Jeffrey B. Jones, P.L.S., President.
2. Agenda: The final agenda is appended [Enclosure No. 1].

3. B.O.D. Minutes:

- a. Motion was made by Dawson/Davis to approve the corrected minutes of the Board of Directors' meeting of 3 February 2000 at Cheyenne. Motion carried.

- b. Motion was made by Perry/Hudson to recommend to the general membership of PLSW to approve the minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting dated 3 February 2000 at Cheyenne. Motion carried.

4. Secretary's Report: Secretary Stoughton reported that he had written and mailed a letter concerning investment policy Section 13 to the ACSM/NSPS Foundation. No response as of this date.

4. Treasurer's Report: The financial reports were distributed. Motion was made by K. Jones/Hudson to accept the published reports. Motion carried.

- a. Income [Enclosure No. 2].
- b. Checking Account activities [Enclosure No. 3].
- c. Quarterly investment statement from Dain-Rauscher [Enclosure No. 4]. It was determined that only the end of a quarter (March, June, September, and December) statements need to be circulated to the Board of Directors. The Secretary/Treasurer was to retain all other statements.

5. President's Report: The committee assignments were announced and have been incorporated in the 2000 PLSW Roster [pages 2000-30 and 2000-31].

6. Committee Reports:

- a. Audit-Finance Committee - submitted at the Annual Meeting.

- b. Bylaws Committee - No report.

- c. Convention Committee - An organizational meeting will be held shortly in Casper. Bruce Yates working on the civil engineering program, Don A. Davis will work on the PLSW - surveyors program. The chapters are charged with the responsibility of presenting sessions at the technical sessions.

- d. Education Committee - There will be no Fall 2000 Technical Meeting.

- e. History Committee The update to the PLSW History has been published and circulated with the mailing to the general membership. Appendices D, E, and F have been added.

- f. Legislative Committee - No report.

- g. Lines & Points - No report.

- h. Manual of Professional Practice - No report.

- i. Membership Committee - Motion was made by Stoughton/K. Jones to accept the following applications for various membership categories: Members: John P. Farrell, Steven

Gittings, Timothy I. Neighbor, Steven I. Turner, and Terry Lynn Waters. Motion carried.

- j. Nominations & Elections Committee - The Tellers Committee report was submitted. [Enclosure No. 5].

- k. P.L.S.W. Handbook: - The update to the PLSW History and the 2000 PLSW Roster have been mailed to the PLSW membership. All new members approved at the February and May 2000 Board of Directors meetings have been shipped.

- I. Professional Awards Committee: - Report is submitted at the Annual Meeting.

- m. Public Relations Committee

1. Notifications were sent to the newspapers about National Surveyors Week. Nothing was published.

2. Southeast Chapter is working on reestablishing the southeasterly corner of the Original City of Cheyenne. The approximate location is in the flood plain of Crow Creek on the ranch of Doran Lummis.

- n. S.O.S. Committee - The competition took place at the WES 2000 Annual Meeting.

Three awards were presented for the first time. The winners were Paul A Reid (\$100); Rick L. Hudson (\$50); and Herbert W. Stoughton (\$25) [Enclosure No. 6]. Mr. Paul N. Scherbel, PLSW Honorary Member, donated an additional \$2,000 for investment in the S.O.S. program for the second and third place awards. The monies have been invested in the same stocks - MI'S Intermediate Income Trust

- o. Scholarship Committee - The Northeast Chapter has awarded two scholarships, and PLSW has paid their contribution. The recipients were Terry W. Kessell and Benjamin Schlup.

- p. Standards, Ethics & Professional Practice Committee - The Committee has received a letter concerning the Sheridan County Subdivision Regulations concerning monumentation [Enclosure No. 7]. It was the consensus of the Board of Directors that the matter be referred to the Northeast Chapter for review and have a dialogue with the Sheridan County officials. If there is no resolution, the Northeast Chapter should prepare a report and submit copies of all documentation to the PLSW Standards, Ethics & Professional Practice Committee.

- q. Trig-Star Committee - The state-wide Trig Star competition was completed. The state winner was Pat Grady, and the teacher was Terry Quinn (Gillette). Two checks for three hundred dollars were sent to the Northeast Chapter.

- r. Allen W. Mace Memorial Raffle - Seven hundred eighty-eight dollars in raffle tickets were sold. An anonymous donor provided funds for the Brunson award (\$100) and \$12 to make the total for the fund raising equal \$800.00 [Enclosure No. 8].

7. Delegate Reports:

- a. ACSM-NSPS Board of Governors - William D. Braman submitted a written report of the ACSM/NSPS Board of Governors meeting at Little Rock, Arkansas. This report will be published in the next issue of Lines & Points.

- b. WestFED - There has not been a meeting of WestFED since the PLSW Annual Meeting.

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8. Old Business:

a. Big Sky 2000 Conference: - Kevin D. Jones submitted a final report of the conference. The original seed monies (two - \$500 payments) have been returned and deposited in the PLSW checking account. Additional funds will be received later [Enclosure No. 9].

b. Surveyors Hall of Fame - Larry T. Perry reported that there has been no action by the Southeast Chapter.

c. ACSM-PLSW Student Chapters - Larry T. Perry reported that there has been no response from inquiries submitted to the University of Wyoming.

d. GPS Control Data Bases - No report.

e. Record of Survey and Land Title Concerns - No report.

9. New Business:

a. President Jones announced the resignation of the current State Engineer, Gordon W. Fassett. A search committee is reviewing applications for the position. On a motion by Hudson/Dawson the Secretary/Treasurer was directed to write a letter to Governor Geringer expressing a preference for the next State Engineer be dual registered as a professional engineer and professional land surveyor. Motion carried.

b. AMERI QUOTES. COM - was circulated. The letter addressed a request information from the addressee for a web site 'online transaction center where companies like yours can bid on real estate deals taking place in your market [Enclosure No. 101]. It was the consensus of the attendees that this request did not violate PLSW code of ethics. The matter was closed.

c. Future PLSW Annual Meetings: Troy T. Fields stated that the Northeast Chapter was interested in having the PLSW Annual Meetings in conjunction with the PLSW Fall Technical Sessions. The following motion was drafted:

Whereas the Professional Land Surveyors of Wyoming

(PLSW) has participated in the Wyoming Engineering Society (WES) annual meetings since its inception in 1980, and whereas the PLSW Board of Directors has discussed the activities of WES, the PLSW Board of Directors believe that it is in the best interest of PLSW to continue its affiliation with WES and encourage participation in the technical programs and social activities at the WES annual meetings. Motion carried.

d. Reduction of Dues - Motion by Davis/K. Jones to reduce the PLSW annual dues for Members to \$50. The vote was: yes, 0; no, 7, abstain, 1.

10. Announcements:

a. The schedule for the remaining 2000 PLSW Board of Directors meetings is:

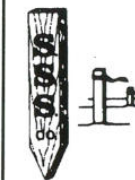
i. 26 August 2000; Rock Springs, Wyoming, at the Santa Fe Trails Restaurant at 10:00 MDT. [Enclosure No. 11.]

ii. 11 November 2000; Casper, Wyoming, site to be determined.

b. It was announced that William Eugene Dickson, PEIPLS No. 637, died on May 7, 2000.

11. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 13:52 hrs., MDT.

Respectfully submitted, Herbert W. Stoughton Secretary/Treasurer



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WFPS Board of Directors Meeting Report

On May 20, 2000, I attended the Board of Directors meeting of the Western Federation of Professional Surveyors in Henderson, Nevada. This report summarizes the subjects and issues discussed.

Chairman Bud Campbell called the meeting to order @ 8:54 am. A quorum was established with 22 delegates and officers in attendance with guest Dorothy Calegari

Chairman Bud Campbell submitted a written report on his activities since the last WFPS meeting. He stated he attended the Big Sky 2000 Conference on invitation. Approximately 570 persons attended the conference and the programs were excellent. Bud stated he also attended the Land Surveyors Association of Washington state meeting.

Secretary Steve Parrish reported on his activities. Steve also provided a rather lengthy copy of an email he received from Curt Sumner, Executive Director of ACSM dated April, 20, 2000.. Curt provided a summary of actions and update on ACSM activities. The email was very encouraging and Curt is doing a outstanding job in trying to save ACSM/NSPS. Briefly, ACSM has reduced staff from nine to six employees, with the two staff members dedicated to NSPS being unaffected. The reduction resulted in a direct reduction in salary and benefits of approximately \$121,500 per year. Over \$100,000 was raised through members and surveying organizations support of ACSM. WESTFED and its member state organizations accounted for about \$25,000 of the contributions. Curt stated it pleased him very much to be able to go to some of the state societies back east and dispel perceptions that the people in the west are opposed to ACSM. He stated he simply tells them They just want some accountability and that's common sense". NSPS has been investigating if and how a restructure of the organization is needed. One of the initiatives was the concept of membership in both the state and national organizations. The focus being reduced fees through increased membership. Alaska and New Jersey societies have already implemented dual membership, which includes ACSM/NSPS. The ACSM website is being updated by

a volunteer member and promises to be much more efficient and user friendly. Finally, the sale of the ACSM office space has been done, thus lifting an albatross from ACSM's shoulders. Next in the recovery process is the continual watchdog approach to where and how ACSM spends its resources, and to continue to earn the trust of the survey profession as the organization they want to sponsor.

Treasurer Jerry Tippin provided a written Profit & Loss statement along with a balance sheet for the WFPS fiscal year to date. Currently WFPS has \$113.1 86.20 cash on hand including three CD's of which CD#2 in the amount of \$21,929.44 is restricted for the scholarship fund. There is approximately \$24,420 in the checking account and \$6,127 In the Money Market. Jerry also reported that in order to insure the continued growth of the scholarship fund, since 1991 all scholarship payments have been made from the general operating account and have not been reimbursed from the funds in the CD#2. Approximately \$4,200 has been paid out in scholarships since 1991.

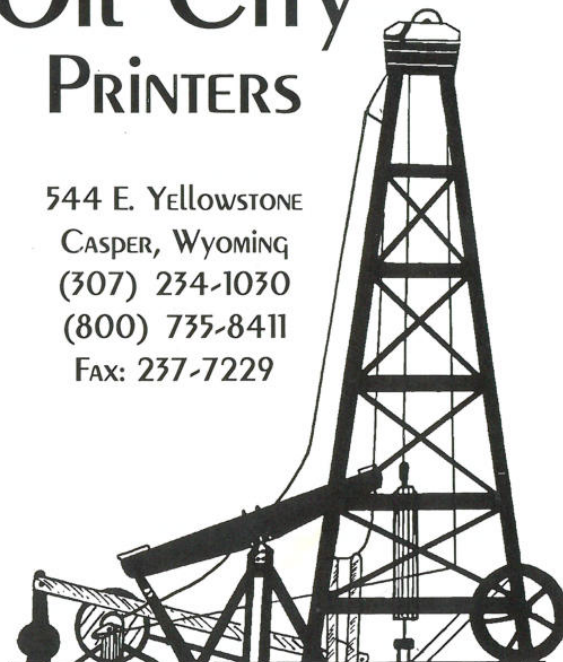
Conference committee reported that the 2001 conference is very near being finalized with exhibitors and sessions. Sessions will be held March 18 - 20 and exhibitors will be there from March 19 - March 21. Discussions were held concerning the 2003 conference and it was decided delegates were to ask their respective state associations for input, suggestions and or ideas to be forwarded to the next WFPS board meeting.

Co chairman of the Education committee and instructor at Oregon Institute of Technology, Dennis Findorff gave a report on their activities, It was noted that some colleges are having

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that the pond had pretty well dried up at the time of the survey. The pond shown on the USGS map is much larger than the 2 acres of the GLO notes, probably more nearly 8 to 12 acres. This would be expected considering we use the vegetation and apparent waterline to determine the feature's extent.

Thank you for calling our attention to this. We will make the corrections to boundary between the states of Idaho and Montana at the map's next publication.

Yours truly,
Les Porter, Cartographer
USUS-NMD, Denver, Colorado

State of Wyoming
The Honorable Governor Jim Geringer
State Capitol
200 West 24th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002
Subject: Appointment of the State Engineer Lear
Governor Geringer:

As Secretary/Treasurer of the *Professional Land Surveyors of Wyoming* (PLSW) I have been directed by the PLSW Board of Directors, at their meeting of 13 May 2000. to communicate to you their thoughts and concerns pertaining to the appointment of the Wyoming State Engineer.

First: The PLSW Board of Directors thought it inappropriate for PLSW to endorse any individual for that office at this time. However, the Board instructed me to inform you that if the screening/review committee desired assistance, PLSW was willing to provide assistance as requested.

Second: The PLSW Board of Directors is concerned about the qualifications of the person selected. *Title 9, Chapter 1, Section 901* stated that the State Engineer shall be both a registered professional engineer and a professional land surveyor. Because a significant portion of the work with surface and

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subsurface water permitting requires adequate surveying/mapping information, the PLSW Board of Directors believes that an individual knowledgeable in water law *and* surveying and mapping is essential in performing the duties of the office. At this time, there is no employee in the Wyoming State Engineer's office who is involved in the permitting/review process for surface and subsurface water rights, who is a registered professional land surveyor.

Third: The PLSW Board of Directors recognizes the fact that individuals from out-of-state may apply for the position, and these individuals may be qualified from the standpoint of technical experience. The PLSW Board of Directors believes that the most important qualification is that the selected individual have good and significant experience in Wyoming water law.

If you or your staff have questions/concerns, or desire advice, please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Herbert W. Stoughton, Ph.D., Pt, P.L.S., CR
PLSW Secretary/Treasurer

Robert H. Westerfield 1915-2000

Services were Monday, June 19, in Encampment for Robert H. Westerfield. a Pearl Harbor survivor and Encampment resident who died Wednesday, June 7, at Memorial hospital of Carbon County. He was 85.

The Rev. Glen Fuller conducted a memorial service at the Encampment Presbyterian Church.

Robert H. Westerfield was born May 19, 1915, in Little Rock, Ark., the Son of Moody John and Katherine Westerfield.

He graduated from high school in Little Rock.

Mr. Westerfield served in the U.S. Army throughout the South Pacific during World War II.

He married Loraine Elizabeth Bethel in Arkansas City, Kan., on June 19, 1945.

Mr. Westerfield was a licensed land surveyor and a professional engineer. He worked for the Wyoming Highway Department. After retiring from that agency in 1972, Mr. Westerfield operated Westerfield Engineering in Cheyenne and Encampment.

He retired from the Army Reserve as a warrant officer in 1975.

Robert Westerfield was active in the Encampment Presbyterian Church, serving in the Presbytery of Wyoming and the Synod of the Rockies. He was also a charter member of the Highlands United Presbyterian Church in Cheyenne, serving as an elder.

Robert enjoyed fishing, hunting and exploring the Encampment Valley.

Survivors are his wife, Loraine, of Encampment; sons Thomas of Aurora, Ill., Jerry of Encampment and William of Cheyenne; a sister, Katherine Johnson, of Arkansas; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Westerfield was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Maurice and M.J.

Gifts in memory of Robert Westerfield may be made to the Encampment Presbyterian Church Building Fund.

Cremation has taken place under the direction of Rostad Mortuarn in Rawlins.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Paul N. Scherbel
Chairman, pro tem
Professional Surveyors of the 6th PM.
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Big Piney, Wyoming 83113

Dear Mr. Scherbel,

Thank you for your letters of March 27, and March 28, 2000 concerning the USGS Buffalo Lake NE, Idaho Wyoming - Montana Quadrangle Map

The boundary between the State of Montana and State of Idaho in this area is the continental divide.

The USGS provisional' map, Buffalo Lake NE ID-WYO-MT that you note is incorrect in its portrayal of the Idaho - Montana State Line. This published map shows the GLO survey lines near the continental divide to be the boundary, rather than the continental divide itself as the boundary. That is not correct. Notes have been added to our correction folio so that these errors can be corrected at next publication of this map.

It turns out that all of the maps of the Idaho-Montana boundary that were on the recent USGS "West Yellowstone Project" where the field work was accomplished in 1980, have this same error. All of these maps have been annotated to correct this at next publication.

Research into our records indicates that the field submitted to our office the correct information; but that this information was not correctly applied and that the boundary between Idaho and Montana in this area was incorrectly portrayed.

The location of the continental divide itself as depicted on

the USGS map has a 2-step derivation,

1) The topography is a controlled photogrammetric interpretation in stereo of the photographic imagery.

2) Once the topography is interpreted and sketched as precisely as the photogrammetrist can accomplish it, a line is drawn on the divide by interpreting the topography.

Our research into the records show that in phases of the work just prior to publication, several very minor changes were made to the map placement of the continental divide - a result of the final renew editor's interpretation of the topography. Why the final review editor missed the boundary portrayal mistake is another question. A better placement of the continental divide will have to be made in the future, when perhaps better fundamental elevation information is gathered.

The GLO traverse line along the continental divide was accomplished simply to arrive at an area for each of the two states. It was not intended to define the continental divide, except very approximately. (As far as area comprising each of the states, the GLO survey probably evens it all out.)

The GLO notes mention a lily pad lake or pond of about 2 acres extent with no outlet. On the USGS map, the pond or lake mentioned in the GLO notes you sent to us is also photointerpreted. Its location and extent as portrayed is determined by our interpretation of the high water line or vegetation line observed on the photo image.

Since that GLO survey was done in September, we surmise

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trouble maintaining programs because of lack of interest from students. Mentioned were some of the programs the Oregon society has done to get involved with youth in the grade schools and having them become aware of surveyors as being something other than the "guys in orange vests along the road". Another significant factor noted was beginning pay scale for surveyors many times is not very attractive.

Scholarship committee chairman George Strother reported on the ACSM foundation and scholarship program. After discussion George was to inquire further into the program on questions concerning fees and WFPS solidarity..

Secretary Jerry Tippin is to present a 2001 budget at the next meeting.

Steve Parrish is still working on updating the WFPS Board of Directors handbook.

Mike Mickiewicz, Washington delegate, reported that their society is involved in the licensing or trying to figure out what to do with photogrammetrists. [Wider present law, photogrammetrists are operating in violation of the law by producing topographic maps. Mike stated it gets even worse when one considers that every Licensed surveyor in the state who hires a photogrammetrist on one of their projects is guilty of aiding in the unlicensed practice of surveying. Some ideas presented to date have been to "do nothing, creating limited practice licenses, creating branches of surveying with no mention of limited practice or creating limited practice branches. Washington is requesting information from each state as to how they have or have not addressed the issue.

Discussion was held concerning the electronic recordation of plats.

Discussion was held concerning the content and mailings of the meeting minutes.

Discussion was held and a motion was made and approved to retain the services of Dorothy Calejari for the executive secretary position for WFPS. Her function and duties will be to provide meeting minutes and administrative duties in relation to Board of Directors meetings. Also she will be setting up the WFPS website.

Steve Parrish reported on the retention of certain USGS base mapping products. It appears there are high ups in the USGS that are attempting to dispose of those records. Part of the records are the photo identifications made on mapping photography and/or ties sketched on plane-table sheets (sometimes called compilation sheets). After discussion it was motioned and approved that Steve is to compile a letter for Chairman Bud Campbell's signature. A copy of the letter is to be forwarded to each member state associations president or chairman and to be sent on to their respective legislators for action on the retention of these records.

State Reports were reviewed with the following highlights:

The Alaska Society of Professional Land Surveyors, Inc. reported 351 people registered to attend the Alaska Surveying and Mapping Conference in February. At the 1999 general membership meeting a motion was made to investigate having all ASPLS members be ACSM members if ACSM would give at least a 50% break in dues. ACSM came back with an offer of \$70 per full member versus the normal \$172. The general membership had a lively discussion on whether or not to combine

not want to join ACSM.

California Land Surveyors Association (USA) currently has approximately 1,400 members. Their website address is www.ca-surveyors.org The CLSA Board of Directors has approved 7 amendments to California law. One being the amendment of the PLS Act to clarify the law relating to street overlays that obscure street monuments to correct a problem with paving over street monuments without providing any ties as required in the PLS Act.

The Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors reports ISPILS's participation in the QBS (Quality Based Selection) committee has been quite successful.. John Priester, committee member reported that the committee found 34 contracts in violation of Idaho law. Most violators were happy to be informed on what to do, but a couple of the contract contacts were not. John stated the real need was educating the public officials on the professional selection process. Idaho State University in Pocatello will be starting a 4-year degree program this year. It will take about two years to have the program in full operation.

The Professional Land Surveyors of Oregon is working on several problem areas. Law enforcement being one where some surveyors feel that the State Board of Examining Engineers and Land Surveyors should only test and license surveyors and the County Surveyors being left with the enforcement of the law. Others feel that the profession can be self-policing with one group of surveyors making judgement on the practice of all surveyors. Also the issues of GPS/GIS, with some believing that GPS is just a tool like a tape measure and as long as the work with it does not meet the definition of Land Surveying there is nothing enforceable invoked. Oregon delegates gave some examples of millions of dollars of 018 projects being undertaken by governmental agencies that are going to end up being wasted money due to lack of knowledge of OF'S and 618. Oregon delegates believe these are some issues that should be undertaken by WFPS and that surveyors should become more involved with GIS.

Utah Council of Land Surveyors is taking an active approach in assisting the Salt Lake Community College with its present two-year associate surveying program. They are also discussing the possibility of implementing a Trig-Star Program.

The Land Surveyors Association of Washington held its annual meeting Feb. 16th through the 9th in Ocean Shores. The requirement for continuing education in the adjoining states of Oregon and Idaho was evident with over 300 people attending the seminars.

The next two meetings of WFPS will be in October 7,2000 in Reno, Nevada and February 3, in Honolulu, Hawaii

Action list items were reviewed for the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Paul A. Reid, Wyoming Delegate

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BIG SKY REPORT

Board of Directors, Professional Land Surveyors of Wyoming
% Herbert W. Stoughton, P.E.-PL.S., Secretary-Treasurer
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RE: Big Sky 2000 Committee Activities Progress Report
Dear Board:

Activities planning continued through the conduct of the conference with numerous last-minute changes and notices handled well by the multi-state conference committee. As before, the Montana contingent did the bulk of the work, assisted by an active group of local chapter liaisons to the general, program and other duty chairs. Follow-up accounting, thank yous, etc. will continue for a month or so.

With only a couple of glitches in the paid exhibitor solicitations and registrations, Wyoming made a good showing as an organizational participant in the conference, rounding up last-minute invitations to surrounding states' presidents or stand-ins, assisting with guest and speaker gifts and soliciting some auction items. We also managed to get UW and ACSM displays set up with good comments. Thanks to Becky Bramen for help as ACSM/NSPS Area 7 Director

Final numbers are not computed yet by the bean counters, but I was able to obtain a preliminary report and the ACSM/NSPS President's trip report to enclose with this progress report. Wyoming registered about 10% of the total registered participation of about 350. Multi-state registrants were allocated equally to their states of registration/licensure. PLSW will receive

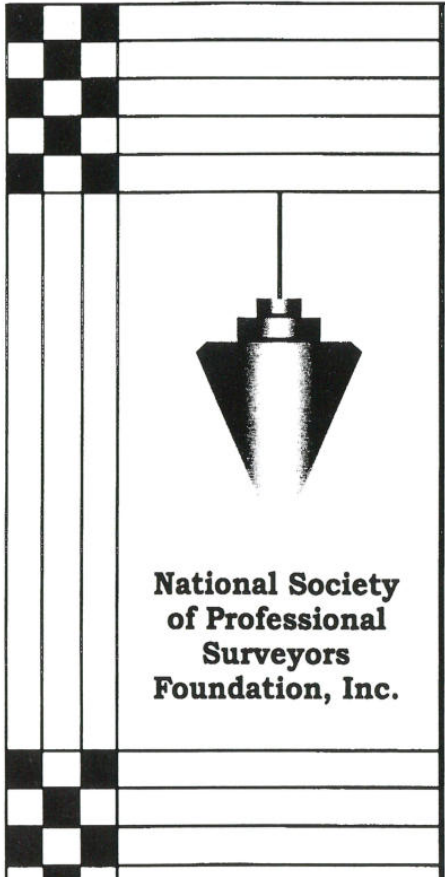
about \$3500 in general revenue and \$1800 in scholarship revenue for its effort. We were returned our \$1000 of seed money shortly before the conference, which was forwarded to the Treasurer for deposit. I am uncertain at this time if that is in addition to the predicted revenue and will pursue an answer with other close-out issues.

My thanks to all for participating in the venture. Special thanks to John Lee for the initial coordination, Herb Stoughton for administrative assistance, Don Davis for display materials, and Jeff Jones and Dennis Dawson for executive representation.

Committee funds were tapped to the tune of about \$215 for State PLSW buy-back of the framed auction print donated by the Northwest Chapter, patches for guest and speaker gifts, decals and pictures for our state's portion of the four-state society board. I'm optimistic we'll cover that expense and have some extra to apply at least in part to our next seminar session in the fall of 2001.

My personal recommendation to anyone planning to participate as an organizer for such a conference in the future would be to get a couple of people to help at the beginning, keep them up to speed through the general planning phase and all be ready for the last 30 days before the conference. It gets hectic and we're all busy most of the time with our businesses and business.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin O. Jones P E P L S., Chairman



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