

2012 PLSO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

PRESENTER BIOGRAPHIES

Brad Adams, P.E., is a Vice President, and Practice Leader at Woolpert. A Professional Engineer with over 25 years of experience, Mr. Adams has delivered thousands of technically challenging projects to a full range of civil and survey clients. He has worked with over 20 state Departments of Transportation completing projects that included mobile mapping, terrestrial LiDAR, technology implementation, aerial mapping and aerial LiDAR.

Heather Adams, E.I. is an application engineer for the Infrastructure Solutions Division of Advanced Solutions, the second largest Autodesk reseller and authorized training center in the United States. She has four years of experience in the training, consulting, and implementation of AutoCAD® Civil 3D®, Map 3D, Land Desktop, and AutoCAD, and specializes in online training and webcasts for the company. Heather holds a BS in Civil Engineering from the University of Tennessee. Heather can be reached at hnagel@advsolinc.com

Kevin J. Chappell, PS, PE is currently the Director of Surveying and Mapping Technologies at Precision Laser and Instrument, Inc. (PLI). He is responsible for overseeing all sales, training, and support for surveying and mapping products at PLI. Kevin became interested in surveying while using maps as an infantryman in the U.S. Army. He has undergraduate degrees in Surveying and Civil Engineering, and a Master's degree in Geodetic Science and Surveying, all from The Ohio State University. Kevin is a licensed Professional Surveyor and Professional Engineer in several states and has over 25 years of experience in surveying, mapping, and engineering.

Richard (max) Graves is a self-employed surveyor from Nashport, Ohio. He has been an active member of PLSO since 1975, and an instructor of the PLSO Refresher Course in Astronomic Azimuths since 2003.

John F. Greenhalge is the Executive Director of the Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors. The Ohio State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors is the state regulatory agency that licenses and regulates the professions of engineering and surveying in Ohio. The Board has approximately 30,000 registered professionals, 2,000 registered firms and administers more than 2,500 licensing examinations yearly. Mr. Greenhalge has been with the Board since 1998 previously serving as the Board's Enforcement Supervisor and as the Assistant Executive Director. Mr. Greenhalge is a member of the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) where he serves as Chairman of the NCEES Committee on Law Enforcement. Mr. Greenhalge is a frequent lecturer on regulatory investigation and professional ethics.

Lorna Hainesworth's interest in Lewis and Clark can be traced to her visit to the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in St. Louse, Missouri, during the Spring of 200 while she was driving the length of Route 66. In the fall of 2003, she began an intensive study of the Corps of Discovery's Expedition, which formed the basis for her own expedition of discovery. During March through August 2004, Lorna retraced the entire Lewis and Clark journey from Washington D.C. to the Pacific Coast and back to the Nation's Capital. This adventure was later described in a book she wrote entitled "*Road Spirit Rules*". Simultaneous with her interest in Lewis and Clark, in September 2003 Lorna began researching the

origins of the Historic National Road to prepare for the bicentennial of the legislation that created America's first interstate. Lorna has studied, explored and photographed the National Road extensively in all six states doing what she calls "nook and cranny" sightseeing. Lorna is a member of the Board of Directors for the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) as well as a large number of LCTHF chapters. Additionally, Lorna is a member of the Historic National Road Associations in each state. Crisscrossing the country, she frequently attends annual, regional, chapter and association meetings along with special events. Lorna sees herself as an ambassador for the Historic National Road and the Lewis and Clark saga. During the past few years, Lorna has developed a related interest in the history of surveying in the United States. She is a member of the Surveyors Historical Society and frequently attends that organization's Annual Rendezvous. Lorna sees surveying as a noble profession, which has extensively influenced the development and character of the United States. Lorna has presented talks to surveying societies and attends state level surveying conferences. Lorna is a retired government employee who resides in Randallstown, Maryland.

Charles Harkness is president of Harkness Surveying and Mapping, Inc. in Zanesville, Ohio. He has operated the company since 1982, and conducts solar observations as part of their field practices. He has been an active member of PLSO since 1975, and taught numerous Refresher Course sessions.

Robert Mergel, P.S., P.E. is a professor of Civil Engineering Technology at Columbus State Community College and an adjunct professor of surveying at The Ohio State University. He holds a BS in Civil Engineering from OSU, and a Masters of Education from Ohio University. Prior to joining the faculty of CSCC, Mr. Mergel was employed by Richland Engineering Limited, Alden E. Stilson & Associates, Tri-City Engineering, and John David Jones and Associates. He is an active member of PLSO, and has served on state and national level committees, and on the Ohio PLS Exam Committee. He has been an instructor for the PLSO Refresher Course since 2007.

Albert J. Myers P.S. is president of Myers Surveying Company, Inc. The firm was founded in 1947 by Albert O. Myers, Jr. The company specializes in mortgage location, boundary, and ALTA surveys, as well as surveys involving litigation between property owners. Mr. Myers is active in state and national professional associations. His participation includes chairmanships and committee positions at the state and national levels. Mr. Myers has been a member of the ACSM/NSPS ALTA committee since the inception of the 1982 ALTA Standards. He has presented numerous papers on various survey issues at local, state and national meetings and conventions.

Dean Ringle, P.S., P.E. is currently serving as Franklin County Engineer. Dean is a graduate of The Ohio State University where he is a part-time instructor of various surveying courses. He is a registered Professional Engineer and Professional Surveyor in Ohio. Dean served on the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors from 1996 – 2005. He is a Past President of PLSO and has been a member since May, 1978. He has served as the PLSO State Line Committee Chairman since 1992. Dean has been an instructor for the PLSO Refresher Course since 1987, and served as its coordinator from 1987 through 1990 and then again in 1995 through 1996.

Shawn Spencer is currently the Surveying/Spatial Imaging/Monitoring Application and Sales Specialist for Precision Laser & Instrument Inc, and is based in Cincinnati OH. He has been with PLI for over 7 years selling, training and supporting the Surveying and Spatial Imaging portfolio for Trimble Navigation. Shawn handles multiple large spatial imaging and surveying accounts across West Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania. He specializes in support and assists with consulting for his surveying, MGIS and engineering clients. Prior to working for PLI, Shawn worked in the field as a crew chief for 10 years

utilizing robotic and GPS equipment for Kleingers & Associates in West Chester OH. Shawn is an active member with the Professional Land Surveyors of Ohio. He often gives state wide presentations and training sessions on Monitoring, Spatial Imaging, Surveying and GIS data capture to organizations, federal, state, military and private/public companies worldwide. Shawn is also a certified Trimble Trainer on the surveying product line.

Carl Turner, P.S. is the owner of Terra Surveying Services Company in Gahanna, Ohio. He became a Registered Surveyor in the State of Ohio in 1980, and a PLSO member in 1978. Carl has been an instructor for the PLSO Refresher Course since 1995.

James L. Williams, P.S.: Commenced in the year of our Lord, One thousand nine hundred and forty-eight in the Southwest Quarter of Quarter Township 3, Township 1, Range 7, United States Military Lands; thence studied History at the first University in the Old Northwest Territory in Township 9, Range 14, Ohio Company Lands, Gen. Rufus Putnam helped build this school; thence studied Surveying at the old Ohio Agriculture and Mechanical College in Quarter Township 3, Township 1, Range 18, United States Military Lands under the tutelage of the late Dr. R. Ben Buckner; money from the sale of land in the Virginia Military District helped build this school; thence employed at Myers Surveying Company, Inc. by A.O. Myers, Jr. and surveyed in the Congress Lands East of the Scioto, the Refugee Tract, the U.S. Military Tract, the Virginia Military District and the Congress Lands North of the U.S. Military Tract. Also surveyed in the Ohio Company's Purchase, the Donation Tract, the Symmes' Purchase and the Congress Lands Between the Miami Rivers. thence taught the Ohio Lands Subdivision class at the PLSO refresher course held in Quarter Township 1, Township 5, Range 18, United States Military Lands; for the last twenty years; thence cleared and staked his land in Quarter Township 4, Township 2, Range 17, United States Military Lands with wife Denice, daughter Hannah lives in Township 5, Range 15, Conn. Western Reserve and daughter Sarah lives south of the Mason Dixon Line; thence lectured at the Ohio State University and at The Virginia Military Institute. Also lectured at various PLSO conferences and seminars and historical societies from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. thence served for ten years as the Chief Topographical Engineer for the Confederate States Army Engineer Bureau (re-enactors) in Richmond, Virginia and created period maps for the movies "GETTYSBURG" and "GODS AND GENERALS". thence retired to write memoirs entitled, "Blazes, Posts & Stones, A History of Ohio's Original Land Subdivisions" coming soon to a store near you.