



CHAPTER REPORT

REPORT FOR: April 11, 2014 PLSO Executive Committee Meeting
Report to be submitted to PLSO office prior to Executive Committee Meeting.

REPORT DATE: 3/29/2014

CHAPTER: Ohio Valley

DELEGATE: Don Pickenpaugh

Meeting Information:

Date: 3/27/2014

Location: Hilligas Complex, 201 S Main St, Cadiz

Total Attendees: 9 PLSO Members: 8 Guests: 1

Topics Discussed: National Surveyors Week; Trig-Star

Access to Recorder's Records

Draft Chapter Constitution and Bylaws out for vote

Meeting Highlight: Food and fellowship! Carlson presentation.

Chapter Concerns: (topics to be forwarded to the Executive Committee Meeting)

The local County Recorder is taking a year and a half to return original, recorded documents due to heavy workload. Those searching records have 15 minutes, then have to go to the rear of the line and wait again. This is causing difficulty for surveyors in performing adequate research, and results in being unable to commit to surveying jobs. The Recorder has posted a sign "My Office – My Rules." Deeds are scanned to pdf, but are unavailable on the web or locally via Wi-Fi – only computers in the office are set up for access. Scans are not made available by disk or other electronic media (open records, or request too large/ not specific?)

The Chapter asks PLSO's Inter-Professional Chair contact the Ohio Recorders Association and discuss the problem. A workshop by their Association explaining their constraints, the law and required fees may be helpful to mutual understanding.

CPD Presentation: YES **X** NO # Credits 1

Speaker Name & Affiliation: Tom Peak, PS, Regional Director, Carlson Software

CPD Topic/Title: How CAD Can Help the Land Surveyor

Presentation Summary: Covered features of the software to facilitate surveying, including Deed Description, Deed Writer, Deed Correlation, ESRI Link, and Google Earth imagery. ESRI resource imagery proved more spatially accurate than Google Earth's. A thumb drive with a 30-day license of the software was provided to each attendee.

The Chapter thanks Tom for presenting on short notice. The Chapter expresses disappointment the scheduled speaker was barred by his employer from presenting.

Future Chapter Activity:

Indicate future events of the Chapter (including dates):

Note: These may include fundraising, CPD presentations, golf outings, joint meeting, etc.

President Hilligas working on moving meetings around the Chapter this year,
particularly to County Engineers Offices (JEF, GUE, WAS firm)

Anticipate picnic at Sally Buffalo, Cadiz, August 28 hosted by Harrison.

Member Highlight:

Opportunity to highlight the activities of a member in the Chapter:

Note: This could be for their surveying efforts, chapter activities, civic activities, etc.

Don Pickenpaugh passed around Presidential Merit Award, thanked members.

(Resulted in front page story in newspaper 3/29/14)

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