



MALSCE News

A monthly Massachusetts Association of Land Surveyors and Civil Engineers member newsletter.

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MALSCE Sustaining Members:

Airworks Solutions Inc., Carlson Software, CivilView, Inc., Col-East International Ltd., DGT Associates, Eastern Topographics, FARO Technologies Inc., Keystone Precision Instruments, Maine Technical Source, Samiotes Consultants, Inc., Spiller's, Smart Vent, Inc., Waypoint Technology Group, Wentworth Institute of Technology

Save the Date

10th Legal Perspectives on Land Survey

Friday, January 25, 2019
Conference Center at Waltham Woods
Waltham, MA

The presenters are working to make this year's seminar relevant for attendees and are asking for examples of legal questions faced in 2018, to submit a question [click here](#).

2019 MALSCE Convention and NESS Conference

Elevating Our Profession
Friday and Saturday
March 15 & 16, 2019
DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
Leominster, MA

The 2019 MALSCE Convention and North East Surveying Societies Conference will be organized under the theme of "Elevating Our Profession". Hosted by the Berkshire and Connecticut Valley Chapters, the convention will feature in-depth business sessions,

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MALSCE Adopts New Bylaws

The November 1, 2018 MALSCE Board of Directors and Joint Eastern MA and Central MA Chapter meeting featured a second and final vote on amended MALSCE bylaws. MALSCE members in attendance unanimously approved these bylaws, which enable MALSCE leaders to respond to changing conditions impacting the association in a timely, efficient and effective manner. The organizational changes required by these new bylaws will be implemented during the first half of 2019 with the intention of being fully in place by the start of the fiscal year on July 1, 2019.

To view the amended Bylaws in their entirety, [click here](#)

To read a summary of major provisions and changes, [click here](#)

Last Chance to Renew Your MALSCE Membership!

MALSCE leaders would like to thank all MALSCE dues paying members who have paid their fiscal year 2019 dues. Your timely payment helps ensure that MALSCE has the financial support that is needed to sustain its operations.

convention exhibits, Surveyor-In-Training and Professional Land Surveyor refresher courses, networking breaks, a benefit auction and more!

Look to future MALSCE emails for more information.

Engineers and Land Surveyors Day at the State House

Wednesday, May 22, 2019
Massachusetts State House
Boston, MA

Choose a Topic for an Upcoming Seminar

MALSCE is seeking to identify, develop and provide educational programs that are intended to address the professional development needs of its members. Recent seminars have addressed laser scanners, Flood Insurance and the FEMA Elevation Certificate, basic field theory, legal perspectives on land surveying, basic error theory, survey mathematics, and preparing for the Fundamentals of Surveying and Professional Land Surveyor Exams. If you would like to recommend a topic and/or speaker for a full or half-day MALSCE Seminar, contact [MALSCE Past-President Sean Ewald](#).

Affiliate Association Events

**New York State
Association of
Professional Land**

Third notices of dues invoices were sent out the week of November 26 to all members who have not responded to the initial dues invoice mailings. The anticipated termination date for nonpayment of fiscal year 2019 MALSCE dues will be during the first half of January 2019.

Prompt payment of your dues invoice will ensure that you continue to receive the numerous benefits that MALSCE has to offer. These benefits include membership in NSPS for a nominal fee, discounted registration fees for MALSCE programming, invitations to meetings where you can meet with your peers, opportunities to have input on legislative and regulatory matters impacting the land surveying and civil engineering professions, and email communications that keep you informed about your chosen profession.

If you would like to receive another copy of your MALSCE dues invoice, click the button below.

[Request a New Invoice](#)

Sustaining Membership Program Updates

MALSCE would like to welcome Samiotes Consultants, Inc., the newest member of our Sustaining Membership Program. By joining at the midpoint of the fiscal year, they took advantage of the recently implemented dues proration policy for MALSCE Sustaining Members, which allowed them to pay for only the second half of the year.

2018-2019 MALSCE Sustaining Members can enjoy member benefits that extend beyond the current fiscal year. Promote your company to over 400 MALSCE members and demonstrate your support of the land surveying profession by becoming a sustaining member today! Your company can become a sustaining member for the 2019 Fiscal Year as well as the 2019-2020 sustaining member renewal period which lasts until Fall 2019. To learn more about the program and its promotional benefits, and to enroll in this program, [click here](#).

MALSCE Government Affairs Update - December 2018

[Click here](#) to learn about The Commission on the Future of Transportation's report, updates on natural gas safety measures, the results of a federal government auction for offshore tracts for wind power, the topics to be covered in the December 20, 2018 meeting of the MA Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Professional Land Surveyors, and more.

Surveyors

60th Annual Convention and Exhibition
Monday - Wednesday,
January 28-30 2019
Saratoga Spring City Center
Hilton Hotel
Saratoga Springs, NY
[More Info](#)

Save the Date

Maine Society of Land Surveyors

Annual Meeting
Thursday & Friday, January 31
- February 1, 2019
DoubleTree by Hilton
Portland, ME
More info to come!

MALSCE News is Seeking Topical Articles

Did you have a particularly challenging project? Have a technical matter to discuss? Do you have a perspective on the profession you'd like to share? Your colleagues are waiting to learn from your experience. Submit an article for publication in MALSCE News.

MALSCE is seeking topical articles for publication in future issues of MALSCE News. While we cannot promise to print everything submitted, if you've written something you'd like to share with your fellow MALSCE members, forward it to Rich Keenan at rkeenan@engineers.org.

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NSPS News

NSPS 2019 Scholarship Applications Now Available

Each year, through the National Society of Professional Surveyors Foundation, over \$30,000 dollars in scholarships funded by a variety of individuals, companies, and organizations are made available to encourage and support college education in geospatial sciences. These scholarships are a great opportunity for college students in surveying, mapping, geographic information systems, and geodetic science programs. The application deadline for the 2019 NSPS Scholarships is January 15, 2019.

For more information and the applications, [click here](#)

Donate to the NSPS Foundation

This holiday season consider donating to the NSPS Foundation. The Foundation works to promote educational, scientific, and charitable activities in the fields of surveying, mapping, and land information sciences. There are a variety of funds to donate to, including:

The Disaster Relief Fund

Donate to help fellow surveyors in disaster areas.

The Bonnie S. Atwell Fund

Donate to fellow surveyors in need of financial assistance because of illness or injury.

General Fund

Donate to support the NSPS Foundation's mission

To learn more or to donate to any of the funds, [click here](#)

advertisement of up to 200 words in *MALSCE News* is a free *MALSCE Proprietor's Council member benefit*. The fee for all other *MALSCE members and non-members* is \$150. If your company has a job opening that it would like to promote, please forward a brief job description (i.e., less than 200 words), which can include a hyperlink to a more detailed job overview and application process, to *MALSCE* at malsce@engineers.org.

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Questions or comments?

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