



MALSCE News

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

March/April 2019

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MALSCE & NESS Convention was a Success!

The 2019 MALSCE & North East Surveying Societies Convention occurred on March 15 & 16, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Leominster. The convention was even larger than last year with more than 150 attendees between the Convention and the concurrent PLS/SIT Refresher Courses. To read more about the convention, [click here](#).

Save the Date

**Land Surveyor as
Equity Judge**
Friday, June 7, 2019
Hilton Garden Inn
Worcester, MA

See future MALSCE Emails
for more information

MALSCE

New Board of Directors Elected

2019-2021 MALSCE Board of Directors

Members of the 2019-2021 Board of Directors, the first under MALSCE's new bylaws, were elected and sworn in at MALSCE's Annual Meeting on Friday, March 15, 2019 at the 2019 MALSCE & North East Surveying Societies Convention. They are:

2019-2021 Officers

President:
Darren J. Hardy, PLS
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J. Daniel Bremser, PLS
Secretary:
Paul S. Campbell, PE, PLS
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Kevin D. Arsenault, PLS
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Paul R. Foley, PLS

2019-2021 Directors

Berkshire Chapter President:
Brian E. Koczela, PLS
Cape Cod Chapter President:
John D. McElwee, PLS
Central Massachusetts Chapter President:
Kenneth T. Strom, PLS
Eastern Massachusetts Chapter President:

Berkshire Chapter Meeting

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Greenock Country Club,
Lee, MA
Cocktails: 6:30 PM, Dinner
Meeting 7:00 PM**

Join the Berkshire Chapter for their meeting at the Greenock Country Club! Topics will include: planning a discussion with MassDOT as to why so few surveying companies west of Worcester participate in MassDOT contracts and involvement with the discussion committee between MALSCE and the Registry of Deeds.

Registration Deadline:
Tuesday, April 23, 2019
To register please email
Berkshire Chapter Secretary
Mark Annis at
mdajm@gmail.com

Engineers and Land Surveyors Day

**Tuesday, May 22, 2019
Massachusetts State House,
Boston, MA
9:00 AM - 11:45 AM,
Followed by Water's Worth
It Day 11:45 AM - 1:30 PM**

On Tuesday, May 22, 2019, MALSCE, ACEC/MA, and BSCES members gather at the Massachusetts State House for the Annual Engineers and Land Surveyors Day at the State House along with leaders from other engineering and design-related associations. We arrange for meetings with members' Massachusetts State Representatives and State Senators based on where they live and vote.

[Click here to learn more](#)

Choose a Topic for

Joseph G. Vozzella, PLS

President's Message April 2019



President's Message
By Darren J. Hardy, PLS,
Senior Vice President, Survey Services, WSP
MALSCE President

I am honored to serve MALSCE as its president and am very excited about the leadership team we have in place on the board directors and at the chapter level for the next two years. [Click here](#) to read more.

Past President's Message April 2019



Past President's Message
By Paul R. Foley, PLS,
COO, Feldman Land Surveyors
MALSCE Past President

Two years ago, I was given the opportunity to lead our association and it has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career. Focusing on updating our bylaws, developing best practice guidelines for 3D services, and fostering membership engagement were what I felt to be the most important issues facing our profession.

[Click here](#) to read more.

Ian C. Wisuri, PLS named

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 Paul Foley](#).

Affiliate Association Events

Connecticut Association of Land Surveyors

General Membership Meeting
Thursday, May 2, 2019
The Lace Factory
Deep River, CT

[More info](#)

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

Surveyor of the Year

Ian C. Wisuri, PLS, of Beals and Thomas, was named the recipient of MALSCE's prestigious 2018 Surveyor of the Year Award during the 2019 MALSCE and NESS Convention's Friday Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon. This award is annually presented to a professional land surveyor who has provided outstanding leadership for the profession. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Stephen Wilkes Given MALSCE Presidential Citation

Stephen M. Wilkes, of Feldman Land Surveyors, was the recipient of MALSCE's Presidential Citation during the 2019 MALSCE and NESS Convention's Friday Annual Meeting & Awards Luncheon. For more information [click here](#).

MALSCE Congratulates the 2019 Convention Plan Contest Winners

The 2019 MALSCE & NESS Convention featured a Plan Contest where participants were invited to submit plans in multiple categories to be voted on by convention attendees. Twenty-seven plans were received and displayed during the convention's Friday program. The submitters and winning plans in each category were announced during the proceedings that accompanied the convention dinner. [Click here to see the winners](#)

Thank You to Our Convention Exhibitors!

MALSCE would like to thank the exhibitors who were present at the 2019 MALSCE & NESS Convention:

Airworks Solutions Inc.
Bluesky Geospatial
CADNET Services, LLP
Carlson Software
Keystone Precision Instruments
Maine Technical Source
Meridian Associates, Inc.
National Geodetic Survey
National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS)
Paton's Lumber Mill

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.

Civil Engineers- Design Professionals- Surveyors

Civil Engineering and Land Surveying company has immediate openings for skilled professionals with knowledge and experience in site engineering, soil evaluation, CAD design, and surveying. Projects include site plans, septic designs, subdivisions for residential, commercial, and industrial projects.

Our workload and client base continues to grow and if you are looking for an opportunity, this may be for you. Our first 30 years are behind us, and the future is very bright. Profit sharing, competitive wages, health insurance, holidays and other benefits are part of the package.

Conveniently located in Bridgewater near the Middleboro line.
larrys@silvaeng.com or ask for Larry at 508-697-3100.

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If your company has a job opening that it would like to promote, please [click here](#) for information about advertising in MALSCE News and on the

Resource Options Inc.
Spiller's
Topcon Solutions Store
Waypoint Technology Group, LLC

Thank You to our Sustaining Members, Advertisers, and Sponsors!

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MALSCE Welcomes New Members

Associate Members:

Timothy D. Bertochi, RJ O'Connell & Assoc.
Kevin Brydon, Andrew Survey & Engineering Inc.
Andrew Maclaren, The Morin-Cameron Group, Inc.
Russell Metcalf, Norfolk County Engineering Dept.
Christopher Perry, Norfolk County Engineering Dept.
Matthew Sullivan, The Morin-Cameron Group, Inc.
Nicholas Vertefeuille, WSP USA
John Vitale, Massachusetts Land Court

Out of State Member:

Bradford J. Travers, Waterman Engineering Co.

Student Member:

Sean P. L'Italien, Wentworth Institute of Technology

Member Feedback Requested on MALSCE Point Cloud Scoping and Acquisition Best Practice Guidelines

[Click here](#) to learn more about the Point Cloud Scoping and Acquisition Best Practice Guidelines developed by MALSCE's 3D Surveying Services Standards Committee.

NSPS News

FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and Elevations Certificates Make the News

- From NSPS News and Views

The NFIP has recently been in the news. The Washington Post recently ran a [feature](#) in which a university professor debunks myths on floods and the paper ran an [editorial](#) that urges Congress to reform NFIP. Additionally, a new National Academy of Sciences [report](#) calls for different approaches to predict and understand urban flooding. Meanwhile, a [report](#) anticipates gravity surveys conducted by aerial acquisition by NOAA/NGS could eliminate the need for elevation certificates by land survey.

NSPS begins 50-state Legislative Tracking

- From NSPS News and Views

As a new service to its members and affiliate state societies, NSPS is implementing a program to track state legislation in every U.S. state legislature. Using an on-line technology known as [GovHawk](#), NSPS's government affairs consultants, [John M. Palatiello & Associates, Inc.](#) will provide reports to NSPS and its state society member organizations on semimonthly basis when most of the state legislatures are in session, and monthly when activity slows down. The report will include a state-by-state summary of each bill, the sponsor, bill number, status, and a link to the text. This service will provide valuable and comparative information.

Surveying News

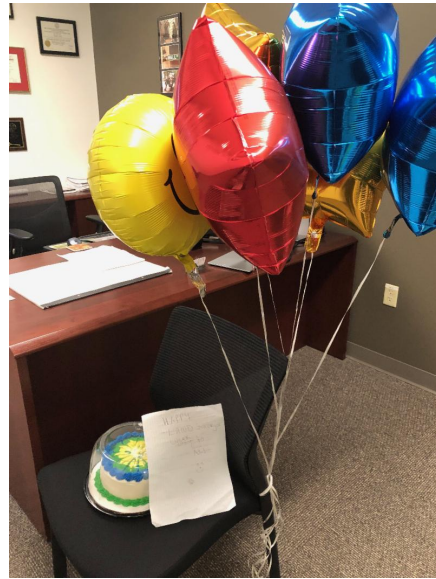
LandTech Consultants Expands Leadership Team and Geomatics Capabilities in New England

LandTech Consultants' leadership team has expanded with the addition of Kenneth Strom, PLS as Director of Geomatics. This recent hire reflects their commitment to the growth of their land survey and civil engineering design capabilities in New England. Ken is a licensed Professional Land

Surveyor in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Vermont with 35 years of experience in surveying and 15 years experience in civil engineering design.

National Surveyors Week

MALSCE hopes you celebrated National Surveyors Week from March 17th-23rd. MALSCE President Darren Hardy's daughter made sure he did, sending him balloons and a cake!



MALSCE News is a monthly publication of the Massachusetts Association of Land Surveyors and Civil Engineers that is produced by Emily Devane, Abbie Goodman, and Richard Keenan with thanks to MALSCE President Paul Foley. This newsletter highlights the program and activities of MALSCE and reports on national and local matters of interest to land surveyors and civil engineers. While we cannot promise to print all news items that we receive, if you have one to share with your fellow MALSCE members please forward it to Rich Keenan at rkeenan@engineers.org.

Questions or comments?

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