



Tecumseh Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors  
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2007 Chapter Report  
December 21, 2007

**CURRENT MEMBERS (2007-2008): The following are paid (20), or life (5) members of the chapter:**

(1) Zach Beasley, (2) Lee Bender, (3) Kyle Betz, (4) Tim Beyer, (5) Rex Bowman, (6) Jim Butcher, (7) Pat Cunningham, (8) Ken Curtis, (9) Brian Dickerson, (10) Roger Fine, (11) Justin Frazier, (12) Luis Gaztambide, (13) Doug Hall, (14) Bryant Hottel, (15) Clem Kuns, (16) Jim Milligan, (17) Steve Murray, (18) John Nagy, (19) Dan Pusey, (20) Dennis Sterrett, (21) Bill Stine, (22) Boudewijn Van Gelder, (23) Ron Wharry, (24) Jim White, (25) Patrick Williams

**The following are student members of the chapter:** (1) Colby Baker, (2) Michael Blough, (3) Michael Conley, (4) Rebecca Essig, (5) Keith Ethridge, (6) Matthew Filmore, (7) Christopher Fouts, (8) Peter Fovargue, (9) Eric Fujikawa, (10) Melanie Fuoss, (11) Jennifer Garvert, (12) Michael Goralski, (13) Nathan Harris, (14) Tom Henderson, (15) Katherine Hillger, (16) Jacob Hoffman, (17) Joseph Jacobsen, (18) Bryan Juenger, (19) Johnathon Keith, (20) Scott Kobs, (21) Ryan Laughlin, (22) Trevor Lighty, (23) Cody McCuen, (24) Jessica McMullen, (25) Joshua Messmer, (26) Holliston Nagel, (27) Cole Pavlina, (28) James Plourde, (29) Adam Pyle, (30) Karl Rhoads, (31) Brittany Scherer, (32) Steve Seiler, (33) Nathaniel Smith, (34) Josh Werner, (35) Seth White, (36) Michael Young

**FINANCIAL STATUS AND CONTRIBUTIONS:**

Status as of 12/25/2006: Mutual Fund Value: \$10,111.53; CDs: \$17,470.76; **Total: \$27,582.29**  
“Expenses”: Scholarships: (\$5000.00); Student Chapter: (\$1000.00); PAC (\$500.00); **Total: (\$6,500.00)**  
**Income:** Basket Auction/Donations: \$2615.00; Dues: \$1020.00; Investments: \$985.16; **Total: \$4,620.16**  
Status as of 12/21/2007: Mutual Fund Value: \$16,892.30; CDs: \$8,810.15; **Total: \$25,702.45**

The chapter plans to award two scholarships (Margaret Cunningham Scholarship) to Purdue Land Surveying students, for the 2008-2009 academic year. The scholarship application and selection process will occur in the spring of 2008. The chapter also plans to contribute to the Purdue chapter for expenses related to attendance at the ISPLS convention and the ACSM/NSPS national convention.

**MEETING DATES:** February 28, May 30, August 29, and November 14, 2007; Proposed meeting dates for 2008 are February 26, May 28, August 28, and November 18.

**CHAPTER ACTIVITIES:**

- John Holmes with Thacker Manufacturing, Inc. demonstrated the Secure Bed Cover for pickup trucks outside the Union. Following the demonstration, in response to questions, John indicated that the Herculoc runs on the truck battery, and there is a lockhead under the coverplate if the battery dies so the cover can be opened. The cover is not made to stand on and the factory-direct (eliminates the middle man. Additional information can be found at [www.herculoc.com](http://www.herculoc.com). John also passed out a pamphlet.
- Chris Huang, Tom Mack, and Terry Combs with Verizon Communications put on an interesting presentation about telephony and discussed the various types of telephone lines, all of which are still in service: Lead (1930s), Stylepath, Copper, and Fiber. They also passed around samples of these. They also passed around a pamphlet of telephone information. In response to questions,

they indicated that in commercial subdivisions, they make their best guess as to the amount of service that is needed and adjust as necessary when needed. They also indicated that as much information that can be provided (phasing, temporary cul-de-sacs that will be removed and extended later) is beneficial because they can plan for these things rather than having to charge for relocating lines later. They also indicated that they currently do not have a GIS system.

- Clem Kuns and Pat Williams gave a presentation on navigable / non-navigable waters. The presentation included a discussion on case law and its application for boundary surveys located along watercourses. The primary purpose of the presentation was to make surveyors aware that the navigability status of the majority of streams in Indiana has not been determined. Navigability status is based on the stream's potential for navigation use dating all the way back to the time that the state was admitted to the Union; therefore, **surveyors should consider, at a minimum, noting on their surveys the possibility that streams (up to the high water mark) can be considered navigable waterways with title resting with the state.** Examples of waterways determined to be navigable in Indiana were cited. For example, in Tippecanoe County, the only waterways determined to be navigable are the Wabash and Tippecanoe Rivers; however, there are many waterways within Tippecanoe County that have the potential for a navigable determination (since they are larger than smaller streams throughout the state that have been determined to be navigable).

Further information on this topic can be found at the following websites:

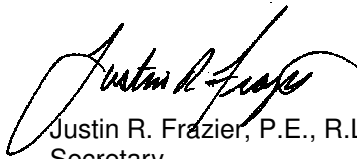
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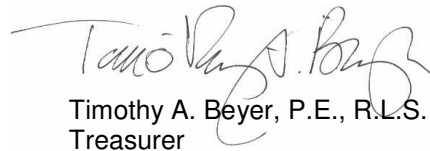
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Respectfully submitted,



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