

Florida Surveying and Mapping Society

Tampa Bay Field Book

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Tampa Bay Chapter FSMS November Meeting Location

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Thanksgiving is a sign fall is finally here. Daytime highs drop 2 degrees and the humidity goes from haze to merely damp. Can't beat Florida living!

Seriously- what are you thankful for? The Tampa Bay Chapter is trying our best to thank our armed forces for their service.

Please fill a 1-gallon Ziploc and turn it into an officer as soon as possible. We want to deliver them for Christmas! The flyer is in this month's Field Book as a reminder.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. Boyd Allen

MEETING INFORMATION:

The Chapter Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2009 at Tucson's Southwest Grill, **Located at 13563 ICOT Boulevard, Clearwater, FL 33760**

Located in the ICOT Center on Ulmerton Road, just East of U.S. Hwy 19

Social Hour at 5:30, Dinner and Meeting at 6:30

2009 Dinner Prices: Members \$25 and Associates \$15.00

Please make your reservations early for great conversation and dinner!

Please RSVP to

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A blue banner with a white border and a white background in the center. The text is white and centered. The banner has a decorative, slightly wavy edge.

MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2009

The October meeting was held at Crazy Buffet in Tampa with 15 in attendance. President Boyd Allen called the general meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. with the anti-trust speech.

Ken Nelson gave the invocation

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

A motion was made by John Lyons to accept the minutes with a minor revision for September, 2009 as shown in the Tampa Bay Field Book, seconded by Ken Nelson and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by David Puigdomenech to accept the Treasurer's Report with minor revisions through September, 2009 as shown in the Tampa Bay Field Book, was seconded by Bill Newkirk and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

We are still talking about places to meet. It was decided to keep Tucson's permanently as an alternating meeting place. Several places were mentioned, Sam Seltzers, Safety Harbor Hotel and Spa, the Ybor area and a few others. Each had their pros and cons. A decision will have to be reached and any suggestions should be sent to Boyd or the events chairperson.

The final date for discounted cabins on the cruise is this Sunday the 25th of October. This is also the last day that the chapter will receive any contributions for the scholarship fund. Any cabins booked after that date will be at the going rate for the cruise in February, 2010. We board the cruise on Sunday morning following the Gasparilla parade.

Boyd Allen asked the committees for their reports.

Community Involvement – In a couple of weeks we will purchase the turkeys and deliver them to Metropolitan ministries. The executive committee will participate as a group.

Our guest speaker SSG Jacqueline Boyle, U. S. Army Reserve, recently returned from her second tour in Kuwait, discussed the where, how and what in regards to sending packages to troops overseas. She will get us addresses and work up a list of suggested items for troop packages. She has contacts in Kuwait and will establish contacts in other overseas locations for us.

Events Committee had no report

Recruitment committee recruited a new secretary, Judith Garcia since Kelley Garner resigned, effective today.

Scholarship committee it was reported by Ken Nelson and Boyd that the Tampa Bay Surveying and Mapping Scholarship was profitable for the past April's fund has a profit balance of \$6800. They had 10 applicants for scholarship funds.

Education committee report was given by Joseph Boyle that he is getting the CST ball rolling and he is contacting school administrators and making progress towards survey classes.



MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2009
CONTINUED....

Membership committee had no report

Advertising committee report indicated that the ad for the Pinellas County survey position will be removed.

Nominations committee report will be suspended until the spring.

Make sure to watch future newsletters for venue changes.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

David Puigdomenech gave the Director's Report.

As of October 1 we are with the Department of Agriculture. There will be offices at the Department of Business and Professional Regulation also until all of the bugs are worked out. The online services will be duplicated at both websites as well as the phones.

Rick Price who was voted Director of the Year is spearheading the issue of equipment theft. We will be working closely with the Pawn broker's associations in south Florida to track and recoup stolen survey equipment. Rick is placing all equipment theft into Google Earth to hopefully assist law enforcement. A suggestion was made to use a motion sensor alarm that would warn with a piercing alarm when someone approached unattended equipment. In 2009 reported thefts totaled \$415,000, but Rick thinks the number is closer to \$700,000. The Department of Agriculture oversees the Pawnbroker's Group so we may get more cooperation soon.

FSMS hired a marketing firm and they are working from different angles to promote the survey profession.

If anyone has ideas for the Education Conference please email David. Some suggestions were Safety Training for Crews, GIS classes, Scanning, Read and Write Legal Descriptions and Ethics for Surveyors.

NEW BUSINESS

Justin Ferrans volunteered to cook for the Board Meeting in November in Tallahassee. It will be the evening of the 19th. Our chapter will be providing the meat and the sides. It was suggested that several of the members can contribute the sides. Lamar and several others offered to help Justin. We expect about 30 people at a cost of about \$10 per person.

Charlie Gibson made a motion to set aside \$1000 for the BBQ costs and to have the Executive Committee decide the final amounts. It was seconded by Charlie Norwood and passed unanimously.

Judith Garcia made a motion to move our November chapter meeting to the 12th of November so interested participants could attend the Board meeting and BBQ in Tallahassee. There is a special hotel room rate that needs to go through FSMS to be used.

Secretary resigned and Judith Garcia volunteered to continue in his place.

There was a suggestion to take money out of our funds, purchase Walmart gift cards and with using the recommendations of dues paying members, give those gift cards to unemployed survey personnel, taking into consideration years of service with their firms.



MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2009

A motion was made by Judith Garcia and seconded by John Lyons to set aside \$2000 to purchase gift cards to be given out at the beginning of December according to committee recommendations and it passed unanimously.

On the morning of the 20th at 8:00 am, there will be a group picture to commemorate the Tallahassee Principal Meridian Marker . All PSM's in Florida are invited to have their picture taken at this time. The park where this is located is scheduled to be renovated and the marker will be moved during this reconstruction. The position will be remonumented following construction, but the final monumentation is not clear at this time.

The motion was made around 8 P.M. by Charlie Norwood and was seconded by David Puigdomenech to adjourn the meeting.

We sold raffle tickets for the 50-50 Tom Kaney fund and Charlie Norwood had the winning ticket. We collected \$30 and Charlie was given \$15.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Garcia
Secretary

ATTENTION:

For those of you that attended the September meeting of the Tampa Bay Chapter of Florida Surveying and Mapping, need to let me know so that I can update the records. As mentioned previously the September sign-in sheet has been lost. To Insure proper credit is given I need those that attended to email me at

jgarcia@pbsj.com

Please include your surveyor's member number. Thanks

October 2009 Treasurer's Report

Tampa Bay Chapter - Florida Surveying & Mapping Society

Treasurer's Report - October 2009

Submitted by: Justin Ferrans

Beginning Balance October 1, 2009	\$5,998.30
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Income:

10/22/2009	Dinner Receipts	\$296.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10/22/2009	Tom Kaney Fund	\$15.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Total Income:	\$311.00	\$6,309.30
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Expenses:

10/22/2009	Crazy Buffet	\$354.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10/31/2009	Bank Fees	\$5.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Total Expenses:	\$359.50	\$5,949.80
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Balance as of August	31-Oct 2009	\$5,949.80
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TKF Raffle -

9/24/2009-10/24/09 \$37.50

Dedicated Funds:

Marbles: April - September / 2009 \$97.00

Turkey Donations: \$20 Tammy Mehl / \$55 Charles Dye /
 \$40 Gibson Travel / \$27.5 Boyd Allen/ \$22.5 PTI/ \$500 TBC
 Scholarship Donation: \$20 Tammy Mehl

November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 VETERAN'S DAY	12 TBC MEETING	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 FSMS BBQ	20 FSMS BOARD MEETING	21
22	23	24	25	26 THANKSGIV- ING	27	28
29	30					

December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 PEARL HAR- BOR DAY	8	9	10 TBC CHRIST- MAS PARTY	11 HANUKKAH BEGINS	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 WINTER S OLSTICE	22	23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE	25 CHRISTMAS	26
27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE		

DATES TO REMEMBER

THANKSGIVING
NOVEMBER 26, 2009

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – GREEN IGUANA
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2009

FSMS BAR-B-QUE – TALLAHASSEE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009

FSMS BOARD MEETING – TALLAHASSEE
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2009

TBC OF FSMS - CHRISTMAS PARTY
BAHAMA BREEZE, CLEARWATER – DECEMBER 10, 2009

CHRISTMAS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2009

NEW YEAR'S EVE
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2009

DoACS BPSM MEETING- TALLAHASSEE
FEBRUARY 16-18, 2010

8TH ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE – OCALA HILTON
MARCH 11-13, 2010



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BULLETIN
Support the troops!

TBCFSMS is planning to send 'Care' packages to members of the Armed Forces serving overseas in Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan. It does not matter if you have a relative or know someone with a service member overseas; this is for any service member. We will be filling 1 gallon ZipLoc bags. Shipping will be via USPS flat rate boxes. Donations for postage are requested as we expect many boxes. Stuff your bag, drop your business card in and contact an officer for collection.

Suggested items to include:

- Hot Chocolate
- Tea
- Coffee
- Chapstick
- Beef Jerky
- Hard Candy
- Personal First Aid items – MUST be individual packets
- Christmas lights
- Books
- DVD movies
- Video Games
- Music CD's
- A personal thank you card for service to our country

ANNOUNCEMENT



Historic Photo at Principal Meridian Marker

Come be a part of the final photo at the existing Principal Meridian Marker in Tallahassee.

Construction at the marker area for Capital Cascades Park will begin soon, the area will forever be changed and the marker replaced. For historical sake, we would like a final group photo with as many Florida PSMs as possible.

Please join us

Friday, November 20th at 8:00 a.m

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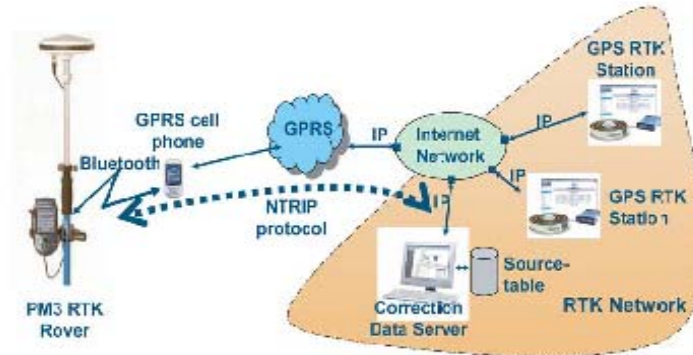
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Business Card Ads: \$110.00 for the year
Large Ads: \$200.00 per year – ¼ page
\$375.00 per year – ½ page
\$700.00 per year – Full Page

Please provide camera-ready art for advertisements two weeks before the publication of the next Tampa Bay Field Book.

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To the right of the search section is a large promotional banner for "Give the perfect Holiday Gift with a Carnival Cruise Gift Certificate". Below this banner are four smaller promotional images with captions: "Carnival Cruise Gift Certificate", "Looking for a Great Deal?", "Talk a Tour with Collette Vacations", and "Sports, Theater & Concert Tickets".



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