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## APRIL MEETING

Date: April 15th, 2004

Place: Marie Callenders, Pismo Beach

6:30pm- Social Hour 7:00pm Meeting

7:30pm-Dinner 8:00pm-Speaker

Meeting Speaker is Grant Dorman, local surveyor. His subject will be about surveying abroad today.

## Board Meeting, January 31, 2004 Minutes

The new officers installed are as follows:

Carl C. de Baca – Treasurer  
Robert Reese – Secretary  
Armand Marois – President-elect  
Bob Hart – President

Some of the new committee chairs are as follows:

Trig Star – Andrea Hayes  
Nominating – Ray Mathe  
Advanced Technology – Dan Bustamante  
Professional Practices – D. K. Nasland  
WFPS Liason – Ray Mathe and Pat Tami  
Education – Frederick Clark

Also, the Workshop Committee is now grouped within the Education Committee and is still chaired by Gerold Peterson.

Linda Richardson and Matt Vernon were appointed by the Boards representatives to the Executive Committee.

Currently CLSA's assets are such that they have eliminated the 1% emergency fund that was created back in the mid 1980's to provide emergency monies.

As of January 1, 2004, Right of Entry for surveyors is now in the Penal Code where local law enforcement is more likely to be able to find it.

ALTA/ACSM Survey requirements are currently being revised. Comments should be made to Curt Sumner at ACSM.

A letter is being drafted to be sent to the legislature asking that self-funded boards such as the Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors be exempted from the 10% mandatory budget decrease and hiring freeze. BPELS has money set aside to prepare and execute exams and enforcement but they are currently not allowed to access it.

Mike Welch was appointed for another term on the Board as the LS Member.

Another letter is being drafted in support of the board's insistence that the calculator ban be exempted from the State specific portion of the exam and only apply to the NCEES exam. Also in that letter CLSA will offer to provide exam proctors on a volunteer basis to help with the budget crisis.

A third letter is being drafted to NSPS requesting that a CLSA representative sit on the NAFTA Committee if it is re-instated to take another look at the NAFTA Mutual Recognition Document (MRD).

A fourth letter is being drafted to NCEES to request removal of the ability to obtain a temporary license.

On a lighter note, the Office Depot account is up and running. The discount available to each of us is up to 70% and there is no shipping charge. It would be well worth your while to contact Crissy and Central Office and get your account set up. As I understand it if you go to the CLSA website and click on member benefits you'll find Office Depot. Your user name is your first initial the last name then office phone number with area code. Password is "CLA". Once you get in you can change your password. If you have any problem let Crissy know. This is for on-line ordering. If you want to directly visit the store and receive the discount, call Crissy and she will explain the process for that.

Land surveys week will be April 4-10 if the Governor signs the resolution.

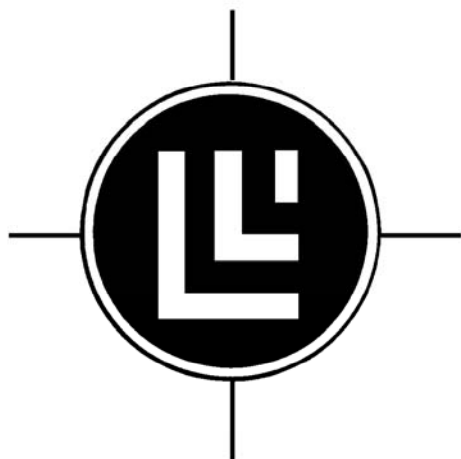
The Chapter may be required to get written approval from anyone that the chapter wants to email to based on the new FCC regulations concerning SPAM.

The Education foundation would like the Chapter to have a corresponding member on the Foundation. If we wish to do this we should contact Bob Hart.

The Conference is coming up (April 4-7). The chapter needs to consider assisting students and providing door prizes. Also Auction items for the Education Foundation should be gathered.

The next Board meeting will be April 24 tentatively scheduled in Ontario.

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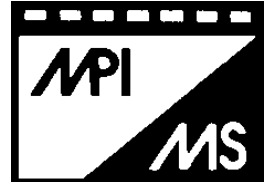

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## **What Has C.L.S.A. done lately?**

This year CLSA was successful in sponsoring 2 new bills AB 924 (Maldonado) and SB 745 (Ashburn). These pieces of legislation were improvements to current laws. The primary change of AB 924 that takes affect in 2004, exempts land surveyors from the trespass provisions of the Penal Code. So, when a land surveyor is confronted by a peace officer while engaging in specific lawful and authorized work, the officer will be dealing with the Penal Code. The thought behind this is peace officers are most comfortable dealing with the Penal Code. This makes proving "Right of Entry" a bit easier for us all.

## **C.L.S.A. March Minutes**

Will be posted online ASAP. They will be published in the May issue. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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## **April 2004 Exam Locations**

**Because of budget cutbacks, the Board will not be giving the exam at the Central Valley location (Visalia/Tulare)**

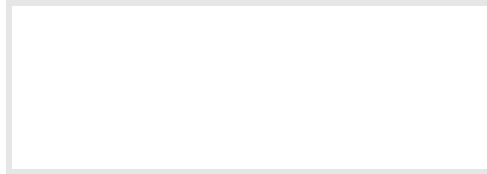
The exams for P.E., L.S., Special Civil, E.I.T. & L.S.I.T. will be given at all locations.

- ❑ Sacramento, Cal Expo State Fairgrounds : 1600 Expo Blvd., Sacramento
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