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**May 20-22, 2010**  
**WILD DUNES RESORT**  
**ISLE OF PALMS, SC**



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings:

**L**et me start off by thanking all who attended and helped to make this year's Education Conference and Trade Show a success. We had over 280 surveyors registered for the two day event. Brenda and Kim did a wonderful job organizing the Conference and Trade Show and making sure everything was prepared for the seminars. Joe McIntyre and the Education Committee did a wonderful job setting up the rooms and organizing the seminars. We received positive feed back from the vendors for our venue and the organization of our executive secretary.



Please make plans to attend this year's upcoming convention May 20-22 at a beautiful new location, Wild Dunes Resort, just north of Charleston on the Isle of Palms. Brenda and Dale have spent numerous hours in hotel location and planning this year's festivities. I realize that we meet in Charleston each year for our winter meeting, but there is much more of Charleston that can only be appreciated in the summer months. Besides a golf outing, Dale is organizing a fishing trip, kayaking trip, and a dinner cruise through Charleston Harbor. There will also be free time to visit Fort Sumter, the numerous

gardens or the Yorktown. The Auxiliary has also planned three days of adventures for your companion and children. Please make an effort to attend this event and also earn 9 PDHs at the two seminars planned during this convention.

It is that time of year to send in plats that you have done after May 1, 2009, for the plat contest. Also please send in your chapter's nomination for Surveyor of the Year award. The rules for the plat contest and SOY award are published in this Benchmark.

I would like to thank Lee Frank, Henry Dingle, and Burnett Jenkins for serving on this year's nominating committee. They have met several times in the previous months searching for the best candidates to represent our Society. In a few weeks, you will be receiving a ballot for 2010-11 officers. Please take a minute to fill it out and return to the SCSPLS office.

Many thanks to the 2009-10 Board of Directors who have served your Society during my presidency this year. I appreciate the time taken from your schedule to serve your profession. I look forward to seeing each of you in Charleston for the convention

Sincerely,

Lewis Moore, PLS

SCSPLS 2009-10 President

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# Message from the Convention Chairman



The 41st Annual SCSPLS Convention, "Changes in Latitude", is just weeks away at beautiful Wild Dunes Resort on the Isle of Palms! A variety of room accommodations have been set aside, two informative seminars lined up and a host of fun activities & events planned for the entire family! Now, all that we need is **YOU!**

We know that the economy has really hit our profession very hard. So our goal for the 2010 Convention is to offer you as much "bang for the buck" as possible! We hope that some of the following will help:

- Wild Dunes has set aside a variety of room types for us, including two-bedroom villas that would be great for families with children or even two couples who would like to split the cost! And the accommodations at The Boardwalk Inn and The Village (their newest facility) are first class! Check their website ([www.wilddunes.com](http://www.wilddunes.com)) for more info & photos.
- Do you need a few more PDHs before your license renewal in June/July or would you like to carry over hours into the next licensing period? The Education Committee has lined up two informative seminars that you can earn up to 9 hours while attending the Convention! On Thursday morning, the SCDOT will present their new Online Plan Library and the ARMS Manual (Access & Roadside Management Standards). On Friday, Jake Duncan (former regulatory specialist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and nationally recognized expert in wetland science) will present the "Identifying Wetlands and Their Regulations" seminar.
- Looking for some R&R? Sign up for our Golf Tournament that will be played on the Tom Fazio designed Harbor

Course ("said to be cut from some of the prettiest real estate in South Carolina")! Or maybe the adrenaline rush of a redfish (or other lowcountry species) on the end of your line is more your taste! If quiet & solitude is more appealing, then kayaking the ebb & flow tidal waters of Morgan Creek or an eco-tour of Capers Island are a possibility! History buff? Explore the site of the opening volleys of the Civil War at Fort Sumter! Or, want to impress your significant other? Try a romantic dinner cruise around Charleston Harbor!

- Spouse, companions, and children; we're not going to leave you out! Join us for any of the above activities or check out some of the other events sponsored by the Auxiliary (and no, you do not have to be a member of the Auxiliary to participate)! There will be a tour of Boone Hall Plantation, a free Companion Breakfast (with a speaker from the Charleston Convention & Visitors Bureau), sight-seeing and shopping trips! And children, there will be a "Geocaching Treasure Hunt" on Saturday just for you!
- And we haven't forgotten our usual Convention trademark events; President's Reception (at The Grand Pavilion overlooking the beautiful Atlantic Ocean), Surveying Contest, and the Awards Banquet!

We have designed our Registration Packet so that you can "pick & choose" ala carte style or do a "Full Registration". And there is separate Registration for Spouses/Companions/Children. We hope that with the variety of choices and options, you will be able to put together a "custom" Convention experience that will fit your needs, family and wallet! Again, almost everything is in place for another great Convention. All we are missing is **YOU!**

Dale C. Swygert, PLS  
President-Elect and 2010 Convention Chairman



# SCSPLS 41ST ANNUAL CONVENTION

## *“Changes in Latitude”*

May 20th – 22nd, 2010 • Wild Dunes Resort, Isle of Palms, SC

### WELCOME!

The 41st Annual SCSPLS Convention will be held Thursday through Saturday, May 20th – 22nd, 2010, at the new convention location, beautiful Wild Dunes Resort, on the Isle of Palms, South Carolina, the top Charleston beach resort access. We are privileged to have this opportunity once a year for you to enjoy the camaraderie of fellow surveyors and attend educational seminars while enjoying a relaxing location. It's a unique mixture of new ideas, informative seminars and plenty of sun and fun for everyone! On behalf of the entire Society, the Convention Committee and Lewis and Karen Moore, our President and First Lady, we welcome you to the 2010 SCSPLS Convention!

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Wild Dunes Resort will host the SCSPLS 41st Annual Convention. A limited block of ocean-view rooms, suites and villas have been reserved for our convention at a special rate thru



**APRIL 20TH, 2010.** Visit their web site at [www.wilddunes.com](http://www.wilddunes.com) for a preview of the property and accommodation details. Included with this brochure are various room diagrams and special rates. You may reserve your choice of rooms

by calling the hotel at **1-800-845-8880**. See the types of rooms we have blocked included in this brochure. When you reserve your room, be sure to mention that you will be attending *the SC Society of Professional Land Surveyors Convention* to obtain the special rates. Whether your reservations are by phone or email, we highly recommend that you obtain both verbal and written confirmation numbers from the hotel and have these confirmation numbers with you at the time of check-in. Check in time is 4:00 PM and check out time is 11:00 AM. **These special rates are available thru April 20th only. Make your reservations early to insure availability!**

### REGISTRATION

Registration is required to attend the events planned and seminars. Included with this brochure are the Attendee Registration Forms. **To receive the discounted rates, registrations must be postmarked by April 20th, 2010. Payments may be made by check, Visa or MasterCard.** Registration packets will be available for pickup at the SCSPLS registration desk which will be in the Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer of the Wild Dunes Conference Center from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Thursday, May 20; 8:30 AM – 4:15 PM Friday, May 21; and

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM Saturday, May 22. Admission to events is by ticket only. To attend these ticketed events and be eligible for prize drawings, you must be registered for the convention.

**Please fill out all pages of the registration forms and return by the early registration date of April 20th to the SCSPLS Office to receive special discounted rates.**

### REFUNDS

- 100% Refund – 20 days prior to date of event
  - No Refund – 10 days prior to date of event
  - 50% Refund – 15 days prior to date of event
- ALL NOTICES MUST BE WRITTEN.**



### KEY CONTACTS

- Kim Long at the SCSPLS office (Mon.-Thurs.): (803)750-7524 or Fax:(803) 750-7523 or Email: [kim@scspl.com](mailto:kim@scspl.com)
- Brenda Smith, SCSPLS (Mon. – Thurs.): Email: [scspl@bellsouth.net](mailto:scspl@bellsouth.net)
- Dale Swygert, Convention Chairman: Email: [dswygert@pbtcomm.net](mailto:dswygert@pbtcomm.net)
- Wild Dunes Reservations: (800) 845-8880 or (843) 886-6000
- Convention Committee: Dale Swygert, Chairman; Lewis Moore, Ben Christensen, Bobby Foster, Lee Frank

### GOLF FELLOWSHIP – HARBOR COURSE – THURSDAY, MAY 20

The annual Golf Fellowship will tee off Thursday, May 20th at 12:27pm at The Harbor Course. The Harbor Course is an



18-hole, par 70 gold course featuring nine holes that are located on the Intracoastal Waterway. The cost of this event will be \$80.00 which will include golf cart and green fees. Only soft spiked golf shoes are allowed on the golf course. All those participating must fill out the

enclosed golf registration form and return no later than **April 20th** as tee times are limited.

We will meet at the course no later than **12:15 PM** on Thursday, May 20th. If you have a foursome you would like to play with, please list the four names on the enclosed golf registration form. Golf awards will be presented at the President's Reception on Thursday evening (ticketed event). Sponsorships for each hole and golf awards sponsorship are available on the sponsorship form.

## FISHING – THURSDAY, MAY 20

There will be two choices of four hour fishing excursions planned for Thursday afternoon, leaving from the Isle of Palms Marina at 12:15 PM based on participation and weather conditions. A near-shore fishing trip in 22 ft. Sea Pro boat holding up to 6 people will fish for spadefish, amberjack, cobia, sharks and other species. Cost will be \$100 per person based on 6 registrations per boat. Cost will increase if smaller registrations for this boat. The other option is a 17 ft. Action Craft Flat Boat for inshore fishing for trout and redfish. Boats will hold 3 people each for this four hour fishing trip. Cost will be \$150 for three fishermen per boat. Cost will increase if there are fewer participants. All bait, licenses, tackle, ice, and water are provided. Guests are responsible for whatever they would like to bring to eat and drink (beer in cans only). Registration needed by **April 20th** – first come, first served.

## KAYAKING – THURSDAY, MAY 20

Join a naturalist-led tour for this three-hour kayaking exploration and immerse yourself in natural beauty and in dynamic habitats shared by dolphins, bald eagles, loggerhead sea turtles, manatees, alligators and a host of other participants on the quiet tidal Morgan Creek which meanders through a rich salt marsh estuary. After basic instruction, the guides will lead you through the winding salt marsh creeks rich in bird life and natural beauty. We will leave from Isle of Palms Marina in the afternoon and return before the President's reception. Cost will be \$58.00 for 3 -3 ½ hr. guided tour, meeting at 12:15 at Isle of Palms marina. Bring your own water and snacks and wear sturdy tennis or water shoes. Kayaks, paddles life vests, guide and parking fee at Isle of Palms Marina are included in this adventure. We will need registration by **April 20th** to assure your participation in this event.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21 - FT. SUMTER CRUISE

Charleston is full of history at every turn, and one of its most famous claims to fame is Fort Sumter National Monument, the site where the Civil War began. Through a partnership with the National Park Service, Spiritline Cruises provides the only commercial boat transportation to Fort Sumter. Cruise yachts are clean, safe and equipped with snack bars and restrooms. The two and one-fourth hour tour includes a 30-minute narrated cruise through Charleston Harbor and back, as well as an hour to tour the fort and its on-site museum. Group will meet at 1:00 PM at Patriots Point to board the ship. Tour will return approximately at 4:00 PM. Cost will be \$16.50 for adults; \$14.50 for seniors, and \$10 for children ages 6-11.

## FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 21 - DINNER CRUISE

For those looking to enjoy Charleston's beautiful waterways in the evening, we have planned an optional three-hour Dinner Cruise complete with a multi-course gourmet meal, live music and fantastic views of Charleston Harbor aboard a deluxe yacht. We will leave from the Charleston Marina at Patriots Point near

Yorktown at 6:00 PM returning at 10:00 PM. Meal includes soup, salad, and choice of 5 entrees including Fresh Catch, Honey Bourbon Glazed Stuffed Chicken, Carolina Crabcakes, Lowcountry Shrimp and Grits, and Grilled Beef Tenderloin. Vegetarian, vegan and diabetic meals are available upon request. Cost will be \$57.00 which includes meal, entertainment, tax and gratuity. Additional charge for dessert and drinks while on the cruise.

## BADGES AND FUNCTION TICKETS

Admission to all Convention events will be by badge only. All registrants are required to wear their name badges at all Convention activities. *At functions requiring function tickets, meals will not be served unless tickets are presented.* The following events will require function tickets:

- Thursday's Technical Sessions
- Thursday's President's Reception
- Friday's golf, fishing, and kayaking
- Friday's Technical Session
- Friday's Ft. Sumter Tour, and Dinner Cruise
- Saturday's Eco-Tour, Social and Awards Banquet

## SCHOLARSHIP RAFFLE

The Scholarship Committee will be selling raffle tickets for two cash prizes to be given away on Saturday, May 22nd, during the Awards Banquet: First prize is \$500 cash and Second Prize is \$300 cash. Please contact Robert Praete at [rap1@sc.rr.com](mailto:rap1@sc.rr.com) for more information.



## DRESS FOR THE CONVENTION

The SCSPLS Annual Convention is designed for relaxing, socializing, shopping and education. Comfortable, casual dress is encouraged during the day.

- Dress for the Thursday night's President's Reception will be casual. Location is outside weather permitting on beach front.
- Dress for the Saturday night SCSPLS Social, Dinner/Awards Banquet and Program will be business casual attire (coat & tie optional). Location is Sweetgrass Pavilion in ballroom.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

**APRIL 15:** Surveyor of the Year Nominations Due- SCSPLS Office

**APRIL 15:** Plats due to Kevin Schwacke, Plat Contest Chairman

**APRIL 15:** Scholarship Nominations Due to SCSPLS office

**APRIL 20:** Hotel Reservation Deadline

**APRIL 20:** Convention Early Registration Postmark Deadline

## AUXILIARY & COMPANION PROGRAM

Auxiliary events are open to everyone—no membership required. Thursday starts with a tour of Boone Hall Plantation from 8:30 AM until 12:00 noon (meeting at Hudson's Market). Then the group will eat lunch and go shopping at Towne

Center in Mt. Pleasant getting back to Wild Dunes in time for the President's reception. Friday is an open day to take a tour of beautiful, historic downtown Charleston, enjoy the island, shop or just relax. On Friday, the Auxiliary will be meeting at 8:30 AM at the Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer in the Wild Dunes Conference Center for a complimentary breakfast and speaker from the Charleston Visitors Bureau who will give us ideas for touring for the day. Friday afternoon is an optional tour of Ft. Sumter and Dinner Cruise in the evening. Saturday morning's Auxiliary meeting will be held from 8:15 – 8:45 AM at the Sweetgrass Pavilion, followed by an optional Eco-Tour of Capers Island Wildlife Exploration. The final event of the convention will be the Awards Banquet (business casual attire) including a wonderful meal and socializing with other surveyors and families from across the state. Your children may attend the Awards Banquet this year on Saturday evening at the Sweetgrass Pavilion (see cost for children's meal on registration form) (Ticketed Event), or you can contact the Hotel for their planned Children's Programs. Visit their website at <http://www.wilddunes.com>.

## CHILDRENS' ACTIVITIES

The Wild Dunes Resort offers a variety of activities for kids including tennis & golf instruction, crafts and games. Most activities do have fees involved. These activities for kids are contracted thru the Hotel. For a complete look at the scheduled recreational activities at Wild Dunes, please go to the following website: <http://www.wilddunes.com>. Children are invited to participate in the events of the "Auxiliary & Companion Program" (i.e. Boone Hall, shopping, Eco-Tour, etc). On Saturday afternoon during the survey games, SCSPLS will organize a "Geocaching Treasure Hunt" for the children of our convention registrants from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Just meet at the Grand Pavilion Lawn during the surveying games for this event. Children are invited to the Banquet (ticketed event). Their menu includes chicken fingers, French fries, lemonade and cookies.

## SOCIALS AND MEALS

✓ **THURSDAY** morning begins with registration and **packet pick-up from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM** in Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer located in the Wild Dunes Conference Center. The seminars of the day, "SCDOT Plan Library" & "SCDOT ARMS Manual" will begin at 8:30 AM and conclude at 11:30 AM. Attendees will earn 3 professional development hours for these seminars. The golf fellowship, fishing and kayaking events both begin after lunch. We are excited to offer the opportunity to play the Harbor Course that is part of the Wild Dunes Resort. There will be two options for fishing, attendance and weather permitting. We have booked a 22 ft. Sea Pro boat for four hours which will be fishing near shore for spadefish, amberjack, cobia, sharks and other species. This boat can take up to six people. Cost listed is for six people. If boat does not fill, cost may increase slightly. The 17 Ft. Action Craft Flats Board for inshore fishing for trout and redfish is booked for 4 hours and can hold up to three people. Cost listed is for three people. If boat does not fill, cost may increase. A 2 – 2 ½ hours kayaking adventure will also be offered in the afternoon with a tour of Morgan Creek

which meanders through a rich salt marsh estuary for those interested in being close to nature. Or, you may just wish to plan your own afternoon with a tour of the island and Charleston. The SCSPLS Auxiliary has planned a variety of events for your companion. A tour of Boone Hall Plantation is planned on Thursday morning with shopping at Town Center in Mt. Pleasant in the afternoon. The President's Reception, held on beachfront at The Grand Pavilion, honors our President and First Lady, Lewis and Karen Moore. The SCSPLS President invites all registered attendees to this reception from 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM. Dress will be casual. Golf winners of the day will be announced and awards given during this ticketed event. Following the reception, the evening is open for casual socializing with your surveying friends and families and dining together at a local restaurant of your choice.

✓ **FRIDAY** morning begins with registration and packet pick-up from 8:30 AM to 4:15 PM in Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer. The seminar of the day, "Identifying Wetlands and their Regulations" by Jake Duncan will begin at 9:00 AM and conclude at 4:15 PM. There will be a lunch break from 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM. Lunch is on your own. Seminar participants will be given a lunch voucher to enjoy the restaurants of the resort. Registered attendees will earn 6 professional development hours for attending both the morning and afternoon portion of the seminar. Remember if you have already earned 15 PDHs for this year, you can carry over 15 additional PDHs. Companion program begins at 8:30 AM with a complimentary breakfast with a speaker from the Charleston Convention and Visitor's Bureau who will go over tour ideas for the day. Companions will have a choice of events for the day either alone or with a group to explore downtown Charleston or location decided upon. A Tour of Ft. Sumter, the site where the Civil War began, is an option for the afternoon if you are not attending the seminar. Attendees making this selection will meet at Patriot's Point in Mount Pleasant at 1:00 PM returning at approximately 3:15 PM. Through a partnership with the National Park Service, this is the only commercial boat transportation to Ft. Sumter which includes a 30 minute narrated cruise highlighting the history of Charleston Harbor and other points of interest, as well as an hour to tour Ft. Sumter and its on-site museum. For those looking to enjoy Charleston's beautiful waterways in the evening, we have planned an optional three-hour Dinner Cruise complete with a multi-course gourmet meal, live music and fantastic views of Charleston Harbor aboard a deluxe yacht. We will leave from the Charleston Marina at Patriots Point near Yorktown at 6:00 PM returning at 10:00 PM. Or, you can use this open time to visit your favorite local restaurant with friends, family, or business acquaintances, or maybe just have fun on the beach and enjoy your own picnic!

✓ **SATURDAY** begins with registration at Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer from 9:00 AM to 9:30 AM. The final SCSPLS General Membership meeting of the fiscal year will take place from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the Sweetgrass Pavilion. The Auxiliary General Membership meeting will be held from 8:15 – 8:45 at the Sweetgrass Pavilion and then they those who select the option of the Eco-Tour of Capers Island Wildlife Exploration



will leave immediately following the meeting returning around 12:30 PM. Then, round up your family and head out to the Grand Pavilion Lawn at 2:00 PM for some great family-style survey games sponsored by the Grand Strand Chapter. Food and drinks are available (at your cost) at the Grant Pavilion Café and Bar. All the children are invited at 2:00 for a "Geocaching Treasure Hunt" on the Grand Pavilion Lawn at the same time of the survey games. After the survey games, enjoy some free time before the evening Social Awards Banquet held at the Sweetgrass Pavilion. Saturday evening is the grand finale of the 41st Annual SCSPLS Convention (business casual attire). The evening begins at 6:00 PM with the SCSPLS Social hour with cocktails and conversation with your friends (ticketed event) held in the Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer. The Banquet dinner begins at 7:00 PM. Three-course dinner will start with wrapped salad with balsamic vinaigrette, and duo-plate of Carolina

Stuffed Chicken with spinach & Clemson blue cheese and Mahi Mahi with Mango Relish, mushroom risotto and grilled asparagus, and third course of a dessert trio of Key Lime Pie, Red Velvet and Chocolate Cake, coffee and tea. A cash bar will be available at this event. Children are invited to this event with purchase of a meal (see registration form). Their menu includes chicken fingers, French fries, lemonade and cookies. The Awards Ceremony is a pleasant time to congratulate those who have served well and surprise some other well-deserving friends with awards. The Surveyor of the Year for 2010 will be announced during the awards ceremony as well as the induction of the 2010-11 SCSPLS officers.

For other activities at Wild Dunes Resort, go to [http://www.wilddunes.com/pdf/spring\\_2010\\_vp.pdf](http://www.wilddunes.com/pdf/spring_2010_vp.pdf)

## THURSDAY CONVENTION SEMINARS

### **"SCDOT PLAN LIBRARY"**

***Thursday, May 20th, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM (1.5 PDH)***

In this seminar attendees will receive the instructions for registering and using the SCDOT Plan Library on-line.



### **"SCDOT ARMS MANUAL"**

***Thursday, May 20th, 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM (1.5 PDH)***

This seminar will be an overview of the SCDOT ARMS Manual (Access & Roadside Management Standards) which is a statewide guide for any access onto state roads. For surveyors this affects frontage distances, clear sight distances, design locations and standards for roads and driveways on residential, commercial and industrial sites.

## FRIDAY CONVENTION SEMINAR

### **"IDENTIFYING WETLANDS AND THEIR REGULATIONS"**

***Jake Duncan, D&D West***

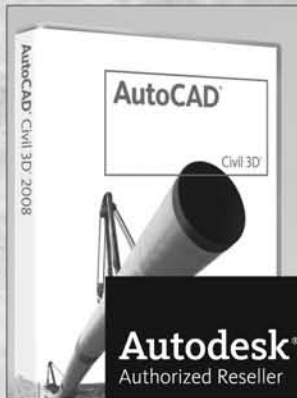
***Friday, May 21st, 9:00 AM - 4:15 PM (6 PDH)***

This seminar will include the following topics: Introduction to Wetlands, Off Site Wetland Determination, On Site Wetland Delineations, Hydrophytic Vegetation, Hydric Soils, Hydrology, Problem and Atypical Areas, Wetland Report, and Activities Requiring Wetland Permits.



Jake Duncan is a former regulatory specialist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and nationally recognized expert in wetland science. He is co-owner of D&D WEST since 2003. He has 24 years of field experience and 18 years as an instructor (federal, state and private) in wetland delineation, hydric soils, and wetland vegetation. He also conducts wetland delineations, botanical surveys, endangered species surveys, wetland mitigation design and monitoring, and interagency wetland resolutions.

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# 41ST ANNUAL CONVENTION AGENDA

## May 20-22, 2010 - "Changes in Latitude"

WILD DUNES RESORT, ISLE OF PALMS, SC

DATE/TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>THURSDAY, May 20:</b>		
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Registration Open	Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM	* <b>Technical Session: By: SCDOT</b> <i>"Registering For and Use of the SCDOT Plan Library On-Line"</i> 1.5 hrs. <i>"SCDOT ARMS Manual (Access &amp; Roadside Management Standards)"</i> 1.5 hrs. <i>Mark Nesbit District 6 (Charleston area) Traffic Engineer</i>	Sweetgrass Pavilion
8:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Tour Boone Hall Plantation	Meet at Hudson's Market
12:15 PM - 5:00 PM	*Golf	Harbor Course, WD
	*Fishing	Isle of Palms Marina
	*Kayaking	Isle of Palms Marina
	Companion Shopping at Towne Center	On Your Own
	Tours of Charleston	On Your Own
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	*President's Reception Presentation of Golf Awards	The Grand Pavilion
<b>FRIDAY, May 21:</b>		
8:30 AM - 4:15 PM	Registration Open	Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Companion Breakfast-speaker from Charleston CVB	Sweetgrass Pavilion
8:30 AM – 4:30 PM	Tours of Charleston	On Your Own
9:00 AM – 4:15 PM	* <b>Technical Session: By: Jake Duncan</b> <i>"Identifying Wetlands and Their Regulations"</i>	Sweetgrass Pavilion
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Companion Tour Events	Downtown Charleston
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	Lunch	On Your Own
1:00 PM - 3:15 PM	*Tours of Ft. Sumter	Patriot's Point, Mt. Pleasant
1:15 PM – 4:15 PM	Seminar continued	Sweetgrass Pavilion
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM	*Dinner – Spiritline Cruise from Charleston Marina (near Yorktown)	Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant
<b>SATURDAY, May 22:</b>		
7:30 PM - 9:00 AM	Past President's Breakfast	Boardwalk Inn
8:15 AM – 8:45 AM	Auxiliary Meeting (Open to all)	Sweetgrass Pavilion
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Registration Open	Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer
9:00 AM – 12:30 PM	*Eco-Tour "Capers Island Wildlife Exploration"	Wild Dunes
9:30 AM - 12:00 PM	SCSPLS General Membership Meeting	Sweetgrass Pavilion
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Surveying Contest/Games (Grand Strand Chapter)	Grand Pavilion Lawn
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Children's Games (Geocaching Treasure Hunt)	Grand Pavilion Lawn
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	*SCSPLS Social Hour	Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM	*Awards Banquet	Sweetgrass Pavilion

*Convention Agenda is subject to minor changes as needed.*

**Registration will be in the Sweetgrass Pavilion Foyer, Wild Dunes Conference Center at time listed above.**

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**FROM THE AIRPORT:** Take I-526 East to the Georgetown Exit, Hwy 17 North. Continue straight to the light, crossing Hwy 17 onto Hungry Neck Blvd. Pass through two stoplights and at the third, turn right onto Hwy 517, the Isle of Palms Connector. See below "On the Island" for getting to Wild Dunes once you've crossed the Intracoastal Waterway on Hwy 517.

**ON THE ISLAND:** Turn left at the light at the foot of the bridge onto Hwy 703, Palm Blvd. Continue following Palm Blvd., parallel to the Atlantic Ocean. As you cross 41st Ave., you will see the Wild Dunes directional sign to turn right, onto Palm Blvd. (extension). The Wild Dunes entrance is on the left.



**When using a GPS device to locate the main entrance to Wild Dunes Resort, please enter address as 4600 Palm Blvd., Isle of Palms, SC**



## GROUP RESERVATION FORM

GROUP NAME: **SC Society of Professional Land Surveyors**  
 MEETING DATES: **May 20, 2010 - May 23, 2010**

### METHODS OF MAKING A GROUP RESERVATION

We have the following methods of making a reservation, please choose one option:

1. Fill out this form and mail to address below, **Attn: Group Reservations**.
2. Call-in to 800.845.8880 between the hours of 7:00 AM - 11:00 PM Eastern Time Monday through Friday, and 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday and Sunday. Please be sure to mention that you are with the **SC Society of Professional Land Surveyors (group reservation ID - 3G8033)**.
3. You may make reservations via the web at wilddunes.com. Click on *Make a Reservation* and be sure to enter the **group code SCSPWD**.

### CONFIRMATION

All reservations should be made by 12midnight Eastern Time on **April 20, 2010** in order to guarantee accommodations and

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# WILD DUNES RESORT

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Wild Dunes Resort has been distinguished by many publications and associations as a top destination for families, golfers, tennis lovers and meeting and event planners. The entire Resort is connected with bike and walking paths and resort shuttles, making it possible to enjoy this paradise without ever getting behind the wheel of your car. The resort is a paradise for visitors seeking clear waters, sunny skies and the unique feeling that comes from admiring tropical palm trees grown beside ancient live oaks. For guests wishing to explore within the gates, the Resort offers bicycle rentals and miles of walking and jogging trails. There are also a host of wellness offerings, from yoga, beach boot camp, personal training and more.



### Sun, Fresh Air and World-Class Accommodations:

Wild Dunes Resort offers a diverse portfolio of accommodations, ranging from intimate hotel guest rooms to expansive beachfront mansions. Each shares the Resort's devotion to the outdoors, with expansive views, lush landscaping and convenient access to the Resort's amenities. When booking through Wild Dunes Resort, all guests receive access to the complimentary court time, recreation centers and on-Resort charging privileges.

- **The Boardwalk Inn** – The AAA Four Diamond-rated Boardwalk Inn is located just steps away from the soft sands of the Atlantic Ocean. There are eight junior suites, a poolside hospitality suite and a 1,700 square-foot grand presidential suite located on the top floor featuring extraordinary views of the Grand Pavilion and the Atlantic Ocean. Guest rooms and suites reflect warm, sophisticated Lowcountry style. Every guest room and suite is outfitted with wireless Internet access, new bedding, window treatments, furniture, carpeting and flat screen televisions.

- **Villas** – More than 350 one to four bedroom villas offer spectacular views of the Atlantic Ocean, emerald fairways or tranquil lagoons – and plenty of space to relax. All villas and homes are furnished with a completely equipped kitchen, washer/dryer, cable television with VCR and telephone with voice mail.

- **The Village at Wild Dunes** – Wild Dunes Resort is proud to welcome its newest accommodation, The Village at Wild Dunes. Featuring more than 120 four-diamond quality rooms and suites, The Village is located within the heart of the Resort and includes a fitness center and spa services, along with a restaurant and market. Guests choose from studio, one, two and three bedroom suites, fully furnished and tastefully decorated in the casual elegance of the Lowcountry, and enjoy all

the amenities of a luxury hotel, including complimentary concierge, valet services, flat screen televisions, high-speed wireless Internet access and more.

### Fun-Loving Opportunities for All Ages

The Resort's recreation program is full of activities for children, teens and adults. The Island Adventures program includes seasonal day camps for ages 3 to 12, fun family beach and sporting games, teen

programs and "Wild Excursions," offering nature exploration via kayak, sailboat or trips to neighboring islands. With a host of family crafts and adventure activities, extreme water sports and much more, there is something for everyone. Activities may be booked on site at Island Adventures Outfitters located on The Village Plaza.

Golf has always been a major attraction at Wild Dunes Resort, which boasts two world-class golf courses designed by Tom Fazio. The oceanfront Links Course and spectacular Harbor Course are consistently ranked among the best golf courses in the United States.

- **The Harbor Course** is an 18-hole, 6,359 yard, par 70 golf course with a slope rating of 131. Nine of the holes are located on the Intracoastal Waterway and play from one island to another across the waters of Morgan Creek. Considered by Fazio as one of his "favorites," it is reminiscent of a British Open style course with a variety of short and long holes. The Harbor Shop offers the latest in golf equipment and a broad selection of men's and woman's apparel. SCSPLS will play this course during the convention on Thursday afternoon. Pre-registration required.

**At Wild Dunes Resort**, courses share the stage with 17 Har-Tru courts: Five of Wild Dunes' seventeen courts are lighted for night tennis play and one court includes stadium seating for more than 350. The Tennis Center has a full stocked pro-shop with racquet service counter. The Tennis Center has been recognized as a "Top 50" facility since 1981 and ranked as a "Top 10" since 1998 by *TENNIS* magazine.

### A Food-lovers Paradise

The South Carolina Lowcountry has become a culinary destination in its own rights. Here, the bounty of the sea and salt marshes, and the long, warm growing season offer the freshest ingredients to the cuisine being created by some tremendous new talents.

- **Sea Island Grill at the Boardwalk Inn** - Dinner reservations are requested.

- As the Resort's newest restaurant, **The Lettered Olive** – located on **the Village Plaza** – With indoor and outdoor patio seating, The Lettered Olive offers a friendly environment for groups, couples and families. Dinner reservations are requested.

- Located on the Village Plaza, **Hudson's Market** offers a variety of options – from specialty coffees and homemade pastries in the morning to delicious prepared meals for lunch and dinner. Hudson's also carries an assortment of sundry items and specialty foods as well as an



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- **Dunes Deli** is located next to the Harbor Golf Shop and offers selections from Starbucks, deli-style sandwiches, salads and more.
- **The Grand Pavilion Café and Bar** (seasonal) is located oceanfront on the Grand Pavilion and offers hot and cold sandwiches, assorted snacks, beverages and seaside cocktails.
- **Duney's Ice Cream Shop** (seasonal) isn't just for the little ones – with a variety of tasty flavors, this summer hang out is a favorite with kids of all ages! Located on the Grand Pavilion boardwalk.

*The Resort's address is 5757 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC 29451. Phone toll-free: 800-845-8880, or locally at 843-886-6000. Visit [www.wilddunes.com](http://www.wilddunes.com) for up-to-the-minute news.*

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**ISLE OF PALMS MARINA:** Isle of Palms Marina is located on the east side of the Intracoastal Waterway, northeast of Charleston at Mile 456.5 and south of ICW Marker 116. The marina offers boat and wave runner rentals, parasailing or a ride on the banana boat. The IOP Marina is located just outside the gates of Wild Dunes on the Intracoastal Waterway. For more information go to: <http://www.iop.net/Community/IOPMarina.aspx> or call 843-886-0209.

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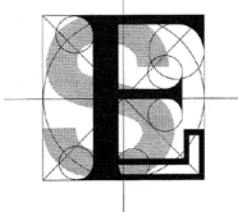
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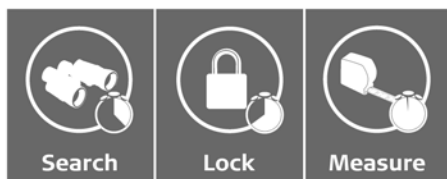
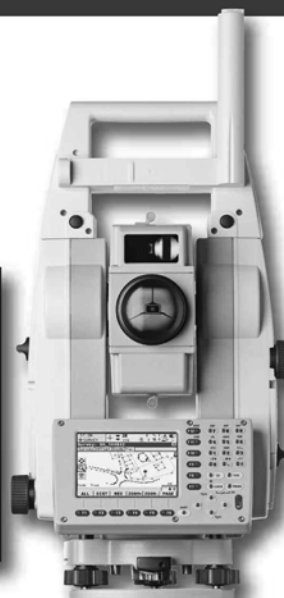
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# 2010 SCSPLS PLAT CONTEST

**DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2010**

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SCSPLS ANNUAL CONVENTION

## CATEGORIES

SUBDIVISION

BOUNDARY/CADASTRAL

TOPOGRAPHICAL

ALTA/NSPS SURVEY

MISCELLANEOUS

COLOR PRESENTATION

## DESCRIPTION:

- SUBDIVISION: Plat of survey of boundary and division of property into two or more parcels.
- BOUNDARY: Plat of field survey. Should not show topographic, as-built, etc., information.
- TOPOGRAPHIC: Plat showing existing topographic information and features.
- ALTA/ACSM: Surveys showing existing improvements and boundary information.
- MISCELLANEOUS: Easement, mortgage, and other plats not in above categories.
- COLOR PRESENTATION: Must be actual plat used for client presentation.

## RULES:

1. Entry fee of \$10.00 per plat entered in each category. (If entry fees exceed cost of awards, excess will go to the SCSPLS Scholarship Fund).
2. Plat must be drawn of surveys performed after May 1, 2009.
3. All entries must be submitted or sponsored by a member of SCSPLS.
4. All entries must be in accordance with "Minimum Standards for the Practice of Land Surveying in South Carolina," Article 4, Chapter 49, Code of Regulations.
5. Entries must be reproduced as blue-line or black-line drawings - no originals. All plats must be reproduced to scale - no reductions or enlargements.
6. Provide the following information for each plat:
 

a. Entrant	c. Company	e. Category
b. Sponsor	d. Address	f. Name to put on Award, i.e. Company or Individual

**AWARDS:** Plaques will be awarded for first place and second place in each Category to be presented at the Banquet of the Annual Convention. First place winning plats will be entered into the NSPS Annual Map/Plat Competition.

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**ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2010**

# South Carolina Society of Professional Land Surveyors



# SURVEYOR of the Year Guidelines

**DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2010**

(As approved by the SCSPLS Board of Directors November 7, 1997)

## A. Eligibility

1. Licensed in South Carolina.
2. Resident of South Carolina.
3. Prior recipients are ineligible for five (5) years.
4. No record of administered disciplinary action by the S.C. State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
5. Must be a member of the South Carolina Society of Professional Land Surveyors.

## B. Nominations

### SCSPLS Chapter

- (a) Nomination letter must have signature of Chapter President and another Chapter elected officer.
- (b) Only one nomination per Chapter.
- (c) Chapters may nominate same individual as other Chapters.
- (d) Chapter members may submit letters of recommendation.

### Surveyors at Large

- (a) A nomination letter with the signature of two sponsors.
- (b) Sponsors must be resident licensed S.C. Land Surveyors.
- (c) Recommendation letters from 4 individuals other than the sponsors.
- (d) A minimum of two letters of recommendation must be from SCSPLS members who have been members for at least the two preceding years.

### Data Required Regarding the Nominee in Nomination Letters

- (a) Biographic information.
- (b) Specific contributions to the surveying profession.
- (c) How the Chapters and/or the sponsors recognized the nominee's contributions to the profession.

### Data Required Regarding the Nominee in Recommendation Letters

- (a) Specific contributions to the surveying profession.
- (b) How the nominee's contributions to the surveying profession were recognized.

All nominations and letters of recommendation must be submitted by April 15, 2010.

## C. Selection of Surveyor of the Year

The Vice-President will receive the nominations, review and investigate the nominations. A report and ballot of all eligible nominees shall be mailed to each Board Member and Past President thirty days prior to the SCSPLS Annual Convention. Ballots must be returned ten days prior to convention to be counted. The Vice President, the Immediate Past Surveyor of the Year and the Executive Secretary shall serve as the tellers committee. In the event anyone of these is a nominee for Surveyor of the Year or cannot serve, a replacement shall be appointed by the President. The Surveyor of the Year Award shall be presented at the Annual Convention by the Immediate Past Surveyor of the Year if available.

**NOMINATIONS AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION  
ACCEPTED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2010.**

Mail to SCSPLS, 121 Executive Center Dr., Suite 248, Columbia, SC 29210.

# Get a Room!

"Get a room." Most of us have heard it, said it, or thought about saying it, usually when we were having too much fun on a date, or saw someone being more affectionate in public than we thought proper for the setting. Sorry, that is not what this article is about. This article is about the South Carolina Society for Professional Land Surveyors and the many organizations and causes that we support.

There is a long list of things that we accomplish through our surveying-related organizations. We give scholarships, we help one another in times of need, we support and propose laws and regulations that enhance our profession and the welfare of the public, and we contribute many thousands of hours each year unselfishly in support of a better world for all of us. All of this and much more is accomplished by our dues, technical seminar revenue, donations, and dedicated time. And we are rightly proud of all of it. That is not what this article is about.

Each year in May, the South Carolina Society for Professional Land Surveyors (SCSPLS) host an annual convention and along with this meeting puts on technical sessions, social events, membership meeting, and offers opportunities to meet with old friends and competitors. A good time is had by all. In order to make this event a success, the Convention Committee starts signing contracts and planning at least a year or two in advance. The cost of all of this is based on the number of rooms that the hotel rents to the attendees during the event. The facility offers pricing to our Association based on the projected number of room nights and associated food sales. If our members do not stay at the hotel or do not attend the events, then the facility charges SCSPLS a penalty for their projected and unrealized profits. This penalty can range between \$5,000 and \$20,000. If this happens, the penalty must be paid from the general fund of the SCSPLS. A survey went out to SCSPLS members this past summer to get a better idea for how many rooms to block for the convention. Still, it may be difficult to meet our projected numbers. The economy is hurting many of us. Disposable income is very hard to find and many of us feel that our time and money would be better spent in other ways. Many of us live close enough that we can commute to the events. That is not what this article is about.

This article is about what each one of us stands to gain if we "Get a room."

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- "Get a room." - You will be rested and have time to visit with an old friend or even a competitor. We might strengthen the old ties or come to common ground.
- "Get a room." - The technical sessions on Thursday and

Friday will be informative and earn PDH credits for licensing renewal.

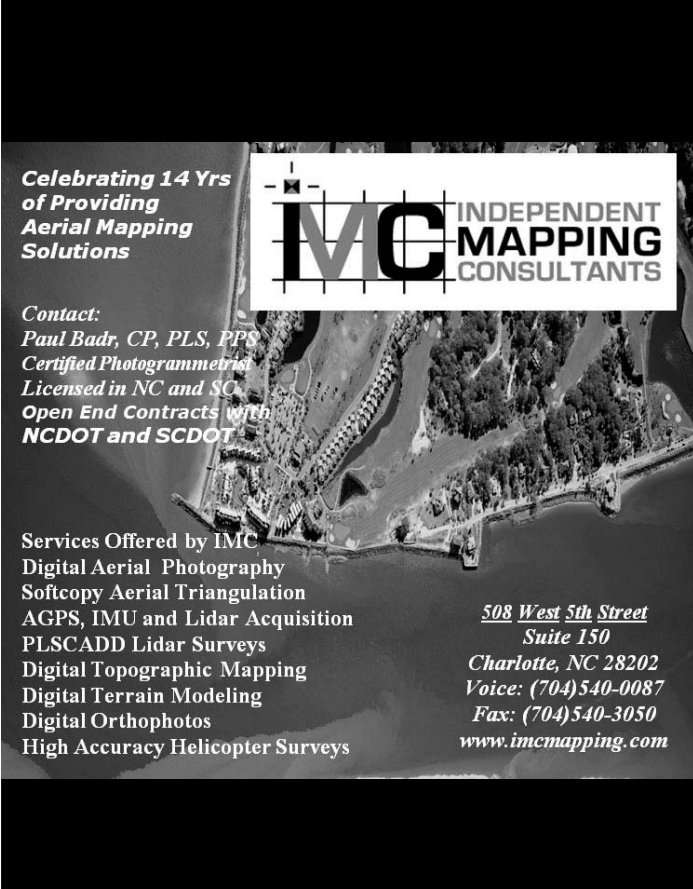
- "Get a room." - Your spouse may enjoy the freedom of not having you under foot or bring your spouse with you and spend free time enjoying all Charleston has to offer!
- "Get a room." - Attend the membership meeting. You might learn something, teach something, or just be heard.
- "Get a room." - You will leave remembering why you are a surveyor.
- "Get a room." - You owe it to yourself.
- "Get a room." - You owe it to your profession.
- "Get a room." - You owe it to yourself!!!

**Wild Dunes Resort, Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms  
Reservations Phone: 800-845-8880**

## On line Reservations:

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CURRENT SCSPLS MEMBER: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ GUEST \_\_\_\_\_

SC PLS REG. NO.: \_\_\_\_\_ NC REG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER STATES NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

SCSPLS OFFICER 2009-10 (NOTE POSITION HELD): \_\_\_\_\_

SCSPLS PAST PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_ I will be attending Past President's Breakfast Sat. AM \_\_\_\_\_ (PP only)

Spouse/Companion Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Ages \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I will be staying at Wild Dunes: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (needed for gate entry)

**ATTENDEE REGISTRATION: THURSDAY – SATURDAY, MAY 20 – 22, 2010**

	<b>POSTMARKED BY APRIL 20</b>	<b>AFTER APRIL 20</b>	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>
<b>MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION:</b>			
• <b>MEMBER</b>	<b>\$313.00</b>	<b>\$338.00</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>
<b>NON-MEMBER FULL REGISTRATION:</b>			
• <b>NON-MEMBER</b>	<b>\$363.00</b>	<b>\$388.00</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

**Member and Non-Member:** Full registration includes 1 ticket for Thursday Seminars, President's Reception, and Friday Seminar including lunch voucher, Saturday's survey games and Awards Banquet.

**PARTIAL REGISTRATION AND ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL EVENT TICKETS**

A.	THURSDAY SEMINAR ONLY (\$75.00-members; \$100 non-members)	\$ _____
B.	THURSDAY GOLF (\$80.00) X (NO) _____	\$ _____
C.	THURSDAY FISHING (\$150) X (NO) _____ INSHORE	\$ _____
D.	THURSDAY FISHING (\$100) X (NO) _____ NEARSHORE	\$ _____
E.	THURSDAY KAYAKING (\$58) X (NO) _____	\$ _____
F.	THURSDAY PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (\$ 28)	\$ _____
G.	FRIDAY SEMINAR (\$150 members; \$175 non-members)	\$ _____
H.	FRIDAY TOURS OF FT. SUMTER (\$16.50 adult; \$14.50 seniors)	\$ _____
I.	FRIDAY EVENING DINNER CRUISE (\$57.00)	\$ _____
J.	SATURDAY AM ECO TOUR (\$38.00)	\$ _____
K.	SATURDAY AWARD'S BANQUET (\$60.00)	\$ _____

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Payment by Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Payment by Credit Card: \_\_\_\_\_ for the following amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# SCSPLS CONVENTION – AUXILIARY AND COMPANION PROGRAM

## MAY 20 – 22, 2010 – WILD DUNES RESORT

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

- A. THURSDAY BOONE HALL PLANTATION TOUR (\$17.50/\$15-seniors) NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Your own expense  
 B. THURSDAY GOLF (\$80.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 C. THURSDAY FISHING (\$150.00) X (NO) \_\_\_\_\_ INSHORE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 D. THURSDAY FISHING (\$100.00) X (NO) \_\_\_\_\_ NEARSHORE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 E. THURSDAY KAYAKING (\$58.00) X (NO) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 F. THURSDAY PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (\$28.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 G. FRIDAY BREAKFAST: Attending: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ \$ N/C  
 H. FRIDAY TOURS OF FT. SUMTER (\$16.50 adult; \$14.50 seniors) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 I. FRIDAY: DOWNTOWN EVENTS Your own expense  
 J. FRIDAY EVENING DINNER CRUISE (\$57.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 K. SATURDAY ECO TOUR (\$38.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 L. SATURDAY AWARD'S BANQUET (\$60.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL COMPANION PROGRAM REGISTRATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**APRIL 20TH DEADLINE FOR ALL GOLF, FISHING, KAYAKING AND DINNER CRUISE!**

### CHILDREN REGISTRATION – MAY 20 – 22, 2010

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:**

\_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_  
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 \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

- A. THURSDAY BOONE HALL PLANTATION TOUR 6-12 yrs. (\$7.50) NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Your own expense  
 B. THURSDAY FISHING No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$150.00 INSHORE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 C. THURSDAY FISHING No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$100.00 NEARSHORE \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 D. THURSDAY KAYAKING No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$58.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 E. THURSDAY PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (Ages 5-12) NO. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 F. FRIDAY BREAKFAST No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ N/C  
 G. FRIDAY: DOWNTOWN EVENTS (on your own)  
 H. FRIDAY TOURS OF FT. SUMTER (ages 6-11) No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 I. FRIDAY EVENING DINNER CRUISE – All ages – No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$57.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 J. SATURDAY ECO TOUR (ages 3-12) - No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$28.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 K. SATURDAY GEOCACHING TREASURE HUNT No. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ N/C  
 L. SATURDAY AWARD'S BANQUET (ages 3-12) - No. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$16.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL CHILDRENS REGISTRATION \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# GOLF REGISTRATION FORM



## 41st ANNUAL SCSPLS CONVENTION HARBOR GOLF COURSE

Thursday, May 20th, 2010

Wild Dunes Resort

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is payment in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the golf registration fee @ **\$80.00** per person for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s).

### SPONSORSHIP (please include Sponsorship Form):

Also, enclosed is an additional \$300.00 for partial sponsorship (Company or Personal) of the Golf Outing. \_\_\_\_\_

Also enclosed is an additional \$150.00 for sponsorship of one hole. \_\_\_\_\_

If sponsoring, list name as you want it published \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ Please check here if your golf fees are included in the Convention Registration Form. Total enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_

*Choose your own foursome and list names below. If you do not have a team, you will be assigned to one.*

Name(s):	Handicap	Average Score
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

The 2010 SCSPLS Annual Golf Fellowship will be held at the Harbor Golf Course, on Thursday, May 20th, 2010, with the first tee time set for 12:27pm. **All participants need to be at the Club no later than 12:15 PM.** The course is located on the Wild Dunes campus near the conference center. We currently have 12 slots reserved, but we must provide them with an exact head count by **April 20th**. After that day, there is no guarantee for a tee time.

The format will be foursomes based on "Captain's Choice". There will be awards for the longest drive and closest to the pin, in addition to other prizes. The registration fee of **\$80.00** per player includes golf cart and green fees! Dress code includes collared shirts, no cutoffs and soft spikes only. For additional information, contact Dale Swygert at 803-892-6501 or Email at [dswygert@pbtcomm.net](mailto:dswygert@pbtcomm.net) or Mike Johnson at [mjohnson@forsberg-engineering.com](mailto:mjohnson@forsberg-engineering.com).

Please complete & return with payment by the  
**APRIL 20TH** deadline to: *SCSPLS, 121 Executive Center Drive, Ste. 248, Columbia, SC 29210*

# 2010 SPONSORSHIP AND PRIZES

## SOUTH CAROLINA SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS 41st ANNUAL CONVENTION

**Thank you** for your support of the SCSPLS 41st Annual Convention. As an SCSPLS member, we hope you will consider sponsoring an event to show your support of your Society. This Annual Convention provides the best opportunity in South Carolina to make contacts within the surveying profession.

Organizations who want to gain recognition have an opportunity to sponsor special functions and prizes at the Annual Convention. Signs will be posted giving recognition for exclusive sponsors and co-sponsors of functions. Additionally, a special listing of sponsors will be published in *The Carolina Benchmark* (the Society's news magazine). If you are interested in gaining special recognition by sponsoring or co-sponsoring any of these events, please complete the application on the following pages.

## SPONSORSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS

### Exclusive Sponsor

Exclusive sponsor fees are equivalent to the cost of a function. Please contact the Convention Committee for exclusive sponsor fees and reservations.

### Co-Sponsors

Co-sponsors pay a minimum fee toward sponsorship of a function or exhibitor prize. Minimum co-sponsor fees indicated on the sponsorship application form do not represent the full cost of a function or exhibitor prize. Therefore, more than one co-sponsor may share sponsorship of an event. When an un-sponsored function exists, a co-sponsor can request his fee be transferred to that function, subject to the approval of the convention committee.

### Donor

Donations in amounts less than the minimum co-sponsor fees will be recognized in *The Carolina Benchmark*.

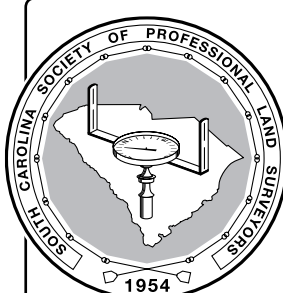
If you are interested in contributing a prize or sponsoring an event, please complete the application on the following page and return postmarked no later than **April 20, 2010**.

*If you have any questions, please contact the Society office at (803) 750-7524, e-mail [scspls@bellsouth.net](mailto:scspls@bellsouth.net) or Convention Committee Chairman: Dale Swygert, (803) 892-6501 or Email: [dswygert@pbtcomm.net](mailto:dswygert@pbtcomm.net).*

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# SPONSORSHIP/PRIZE APPLICATION

## SCSPLS 2010 CONVENTION Wild Dunes Resort, Isle of Palms, SC

Please indicate amount adjacent to the functions you wish to sponsor and return by April 20th, 2010.

FUNCTION	DATE	CO-SPONSOR FEE	FULL SPONSOR	AMOUNT
<b><u>Thursday, May 20th, 2010</u></b>				
Golf Fellowship – Sponsorship of one hole		\$150.00		\$ _____
Golf Sponsorship		\$300.00	\$1500.00	_____
Thursday Evening Door Prizes		\$300.00		_____
President's Reception		\$400.00	\$3000.00	_____
Plat Contest		\$300.00		_____
<b><u>Friday, May 21st, 2010</u></b>				
Friday Seminar Expenses		\$400.00	\$3000.00	_____
Friday Breaks		\$200.00	\$1000.00	_____
Friday Lunch		\$300.00	\$1500.00	_____
Past President's Breakfast		\$200.00		_____
<b><u>Saturday, May 22nd, 2010</u></b>				
Survey Contest Hospitality		\$250.00		_____
Survey Contest Awards		\$200.00		_____
Awards Banquet Prizes		\$300.00		_____
Awards Banquet		\$500.00		_____
DONATION (OTHER) _____				\$ _____
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>				<b>\$ _____</b>

Full sponsorship includes two tickets to sponsored event. Exhibitors, chapters, companies and members are invited to contribute one or more prizes, which will be given away during prize drawings. The Convention Committee will be responsible for determining which gifts or prizes qualify for The Grand Prize and rules for the drawings.

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

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# SCSPLS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2010, 9:30AM

Sweetgrass Pavilion, Wild Dunes Resort, Isle of Palms, South Carolina

## Welcome:

President Lewis Moore

## Invocation:

President Lewis Moore

## Memorials:

Meeting Format: Robert's Rules of Order

President Lewis Moore

## Agenda Approval:

President Lewis Moore

## CONSENT AGENDA FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

### 1. Minutes of Board Meeting:

March 27, 2010

### 2. Financial Report:

Ben Christensen

### 3. Executive Secretary Report:

Brenda Smith

### 4. Delegate Reports:

- SC Council of Eng. & Surv. Soc.
- NSPS Governor
- SMAC/GIS Delegate
- SC Utilities Committee
- The Auxiliary

Carl Bostick  
Henry Dingle  
Ben Christensen  
Aaron Taylor  
Charlotte Swygert

### 5. Chapter Representative Reports:

- Aiken Chapter
- Central Chapter
- Coastal Chapter
- Foothills Chapter
- Grand Strand Chapter
- Low Country Chapter
- Midlands Chapter
- Mid-State Chapter
- Northwest Chapter
- Pee Dee Chapter
- Thomas C. Anderson Chapter
- Tri-County Chapter
- Upper Piedmont Chapter

Bill Tripp  
Thomas Andersen  
Buddy Schwacke  
Billy Martin  
Aaron Leach  
Ray Cook  
George Bradley, Jr.  
C. A. Shealy  
John R. Long  
Ferrell Prosser  
Wayne Reynolds  
David Thomas  
Joe Mitchell, Jr.

### 6. District Director's Reports:

- District 1
- District 2
- District 3
- District 4
- District 5
- District 6

Chuck Dawley  
Al Whitworth  
Tom Abraham  
Dennis Clinkscales  
Burnett Jenkins  
Mike Culler, Jr.

### 7. Committee Reports:

- Activities & Programs
- Constitution & By-Laws
- 2010 Convention
- Education
- Ethics & Standards of Practice
- Four-Year Degree
- GPS-VRS
- Insurance
- Legal & Legislative
- Membership
- Newsletter, Plat Contest, SOY
- Past Presidents Council
- Public Relations
- ROD Committee
- SC State Parks Committee
- Scholarship Committee
- Survey Contest
- Web Site Committee
- Yearbook

Mike Johnson  
Lee Frank/Ronnie Tyler  
Dale Swygert  
Joe McIntyre  
Bobby Foster  
Bart Dominick  
Chuck Dawley  
Lee Frank/Dennis Clinkscales  
Ben Christensen  
Frankie Manhardt  
Kevin Schwacke  
Lee Frank  
Perry Gerard  
Al Whitworth  
Mike Culler, Jr.  
Robert Praete  
Grand Strand Chapter  
Dale Swygert  
Frankie Manhardt

## NORMAL AGENDA ITEMS:

### Business:

Board of Prof. Eng. & Surveyors' Report  
Election Results

Gene Dinkins/Thurl Amick

### Closing Comments

Lee Frank, Nominating Committee Chmn.  
President Lewis Moore

Adjournment: Join us for the survey games.

# SCSPLS ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE AND TRADE SHOW

The SCSPLS held its annual Trade Show during the 2010 Educational Conference, with over 280 registrants in attendance, 16 Exhibitors and 21 booths. The 2010 Conference and Trade Show was a true success! Thank you to all of those who attended and supported the efforts of SCSPLS!

## THANKS TO THE SCSPLS EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND SC BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS!

Thanks to all those on the Education Committee who helped make the February Conference and Trade Show at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center in Columbia, SC a success!

Thanks to SC Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors for funding the speaker cost for this conference!



## THANKS TO OUR 2010 TRADE SHOW EXHIBITORS

ALLEN PRECISION EQUIPMENT, INC.  
BENCHMARK TOOL & SUPPLY  
CARLSON SOFTWARE  
CAROLINA RESOURCE MAPPING, INC  
CONTINENTAL AERIAL SURVEYS, INC.  
DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION  
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# A SUCCESS!



## EXHIBITOR PRIZE WINNERS!

Below are the prizes won during the 2010 Conference and Trade Show Exhibitor's Social. Please forgive us if you were left out!

ALLEN PRECISION – Cordless Drill: JONATHON SMITH  
 BENCHMARK TOOL & SUPPLY – Misc. Field Accessories  
 – HOMER MASON  
 CARLSON SOFTWARE – Golf Bag & Ball Cap: DAVE  
 LAVENDAR, JOHN TERRY  
 CAROLINA RESOURCE MAPPING – Black & Decker Rotary  
 Tool: DAVID YOUMANS  
 CONTINENTAL AERIAL – Drill Set: JACK LOCKLAIR  
 DUKE ENERGY – Jacket: JOHN TERRY  
 DUNCAN-PARNELL – \$50 Amax Gift Card: JACK  
 LOCKLAIR  
 E & O LIABILITY – Bubble Bath: ERVIN SUMMERS  
 GEL GEOPHYSICS – Cordless Drill, Six Pack: NICK  
 MANSFIELD, BURNETT JENKINS  
 HAYES INSTRUMENTS – Zokkio Polo Shirt, Tripod: JOHN  
 MCKENZIE, BILL WHITE  
 IMC – iHome Accessory Kit: AARON TAYLOR  
 NSPS – Books: LEWIS MOORE GREG JENNESS  
 SCSPLS – Ball Caps: THURL AMICK, JONATHON SMITH,  
 ALBERT HEATLEY  
 SMARTVENT – Poker Set: FRANKIE MANHARDT  
 TPM – \$100 Training Gift Certificate: BILL WHITE



# Lobbyist Report

South Carolina Society of Professional Land Surveyors

*Joe S. Jones*

Three legislative issues important to surveyors are active now in the SC General Assembly.

Perhaps the most active and surely the most important issue to SCSPLS is H. 4546, legislation introduced by Rep. Bill Sandifer, establishing a pilot program where seven registration boards would be removed from the SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation and given independent status.

The Labor Commerce and Industry Business and Commerce Subcommittee Chaired by Rep. Chip Huggins held a hearing this month where representatives from the SC Medical Association and the SC Association of Certified Public Accountants testified recommending adoption of the pilot program. Each person testifying told the subcommittee of the problems these registration boards have had with LLR.

SC State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors Chair, Gene Dinkins, PE, PLS and I were present at the hearing. Time was limited to one hour and we were not offered an opportunity to speak.

Another subcommittee hearing is set for Mar. 23 where the subcommittee has summoned Ms. Adrienne Youmans, LLR Director to testify. At this time, the subcommittee has not asked for any others to speak.

Rep. Kenny Bingham, PE, and other legislators have told me they believe this bill establishing the pilot program at LLR, which the SC State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors is included, will pass the House of Representatives.

A sister bill has been introduced in the Senate by Sen. Phillip Shoopman, PE. There has been no action on this bill since it was introduced.

Another bill, introduced by two registered engineers in the SC House of Representatives, Rep. Kenny Bingham, PE, and Rep. Nelson Hardwick, PE, is aimed at strengthening qualification based selection for surveying and engineering services. It has been assigned to the House Labor Commerce and Industry Committee. The bill, H.4429, has not been assigned to a subcommittee. LCI Chair, Rep. Bill Sandifer, is not sold on the legislation and needs input from surveyors and engineers.

H.4429 is a short bill. Here is the language.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:  
**SECTION 1.** Chapter 22, Title 40 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

"Section 40 22 35. A registered engineer or surveyor only may enter a contract for a professional service on public work on the basis of direct negotiation, thereby precluding his participation in a system requiring a comparison of compensation. However, a registered engineer or surveyor may state compensation to a prospective client as part of direct negotiation after he is selected as the most qualified provider and where engineering and surveying services necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare are found."

**SECTION 2.** This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

Tort Reform, H.3489, which is important to all businesses and especially to surveyors and engineers passed overwhelmingly by the House and is anticipated to move through the SC Senate before adjournment.

Surveyors, engineers, architects, contractors and home builders have a special section in this comprehensive legislation where the statute of repose is strengthened. Although the statute of repose was lowered from 13 years to 8 in 2005, it needed some further refining. The amendment added language to assure building code violations do not constitute per se fraud, gross negligence or recklessness. However, such violations may be introduced as evidence of fraud, gross negligence or recklessness.

Other issues included in the tort reform legislation limits on punitive damages are set in the bill at three times "compensatory damages" or \$350,000 whichever is higher along with defining the elements which must be met before a claimant may seek punitive damages. The section on appeal bonds limits the amount of an appeal bond that a court can order posted. This

section is important because without this change, courts may set the appeal bond so high companies could not pursue an appeal because they could not raise the bond. A current law prohibits the admissibility of seat belt use in accident cases. This legislation, if passed, repeals the current law and thus seat belt use may be introduced as evidence.

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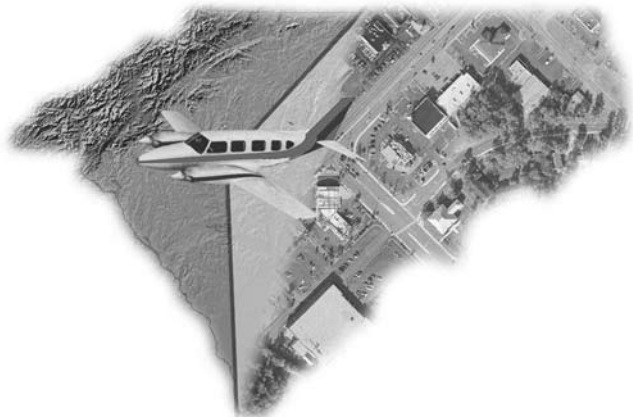
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