

# The UCLS Newsletter

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## Who is it?



Do you recognize this distinguished looking gentleman? Hint: He is and has been a key member of the UCLS for many years. Be the first to recognize him and you become eligible for a free lunch at your next UCLS Chapter meeting.

Answers may be emailed to Susan at [srmerrill@ucls.org](mailto:srmerrill@ucls.org). The earliest date and time of response will determine the winner.

**In this issue:** We provide you with new contact information for the newly elected officers and review a survey of surveyors. Additionally, we compare current Board minutes with minutes from

1960; including a look at the historic UCLS Minimum price brochure.

We share AGRC information, suggest employment opportunities, and reminisce about when surveying and surveyors were considered to be a modern marvel.

We invite you to share charismatic photos of yourself and/or a coworker, panoramic images of Utah's scenic wonders, or pictures of survey related tools and equipment. Additionally, we need interesting and unique descriptions or survey related stories to share with our membership. Remember, if you do not participate you have no right to complain. Please let us know your thoughts, recommendations, suggestions, or complaints.



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“Be not afraid of going slowly  
- be afraid only of standing  
still.”  
-Chinese Proverb

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## Surveying Surveyors

Recently UCLS members were invited to complete an online survey about the UCLS Scholarship Program. The survey was created by UCLS member Tim Prestwich as a project for his class in the BYU Masters of Public Administration program.

A link to the online survey was sent through the UCLS email list. Those who were brave enough to click on a link from a mass email found a 30-question survey about the UCLS Scholarship program.

Mr. Prestwich will analyze the results and present the UCLS Board with the study findings along with recommendations for enhancing the scholarship program.

The response from UCLS members was fantastic, with over ninety surveys completed. To entice UCLS members to participate Mr. Prestwich offered a drawing for three gift cards as incentive for completing the survey. Participants could submit their email address to enter the drawing. About half of the completed surveys entered and the winners were: Kent Withers, Jim Pitkin, and Tyler Nielson. Watch for more articles about the survey findings in future newsletters. And a reminder - now is a good time to tell your employees, co-workers and friends about the UCLS scholarship.

### Say What?

The Most Complicated Word in the English Language is only three letters long.

The *Oxford English Dictionary* editors recently revealed the 'run' has indeed become the single word with the most potential meanings in all of English, boasting no fewer than 645 different usage cases for the verb form alone. The copious definitions of 'run' featured in the OED's upcoming third edition begin with the obvious, 'to go with quick steps on alternate feet,' 'then proceed to run on the 75 columns of type. This entry, in all its girth, took one professional lexicographer nine months of research to complete. How could three little letters be responsible for so much meaning?



### UTAH CODE

Every person who willfully injures, defaces, or removes any signal, monument, building, or appurtenance thereto, placed erected, or used by persons engaged in the United States or state survey is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

Enacted by Chapter 196, 1973 General Session

### February - March, Where is it Contest

Congratulations to Brent Christensen, of Universal Pegasus International, who was the only member to correctly reference Utah State Code 76-8-415.

It is unlawful to remove a monument placed, erected, or used by a United States or Utah State survey.

We recommend you inform and educate the contractors you may associate with so they become aware of this law.



**Minutes of Meeting  
Utah Council of Land Surveyors  
Held March 19, 1964 at  
The Harmon Cafe in Ogden, Utah**

Meeting called to order at 8:30 p.m. following dinner.

Nominating committee was appointed for naming candidates for officers for the next year. Committee members are Hooper Knowlton, Jay Anderson, and Robert Jones. Motion by C. C. Bush, second by Arnold Coon.

Names of those not having received their membership certificates determined.

Jay Anderson proposed having letter sent by Council to Weber County Commission relative to the appointment of a properly registered surveyor to replace Paul Gilgen who is resigning to accept position in State Highway Department. Those present in favor. Jay assigned to prepare letter for Council President's signature.

Condominium fees again discussed. Suggested \$75.00 minimum per unit for high rise Apartment and \$100.00 minimum for garden type apartment.

Hooper Knowlton made motion to appoint a committee to revise fee schedule. Seconded by Arnold Coon. Appointed to Fee Committee are C. C. Bush - Chairman, Arnold Coon, Glen

Austin and Larry Buttars.

Study of Davis-Bacon Act suggested by Larry Buttars. Wage requirements are not compatible with current wage rates in this area, he reported.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

**FOREWORD**

It is the belief of the Utah Council of Land Surveyors that professional men should compete on the basis of service and quality of work rather than price. The Council has recommended and approved the Basic Schedule of Minimum Surveying Fees as contained herein. This schedule represents the minimum rates which are compatible with surveying services of the proper quality and scope.

The Council believes that charges should normally be on a time basis. An exception to this is on simple lot surveys, where a surveyor's responsibility for the correctness of his work is just as great when the job occupies only a few hours of a field crew's time. For this reason, a minimum fee has been established. Any time a surveyor sets a stake, he assumes responsibility for its correctness. Any stake set may be the basis for the location of a costly building. The assumption of responsibility should be kept in mind when considering surveying fees.

The charges stated herein are basic minimum fees suitable under average circumstances for the proper performance of various professional services. Unusual conditions, increased responsibility, unusual difficulties, justify fees in excess of these minima.



**BASIC SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM  
SURVEYING FEES**

PROPERTY SURVEYS	City		Downtown County	
	City	County	Business	Business
Set Corners				
Surveyor's Certificate				
Showing Encroachments Only	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
Set Corners (rivets in front)				
Surveyor's Certificates				
Showing all Encroachments and Improvements	\$ 45.00	\$ 55.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
<b>TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEYS</b>				
Set Corners (rivets in front)				
Provide appropriate contour map	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00

**SUBDIVISION SURVEYS**

Preliminary:		
Boundary Survey	.....	Per Diem
Topographic Survey	.....	Per Diem
Preliminary Plat*	.....	Per Diem
*A minimum of \$250.00 or \$15.00/Lot whichever is greater to be charged for preliminary subdivision work.		
Final:		
	Rectilinear	Curvilinear
Prepare final plat and staking lots	\$20.00 min/lot	\$25.00 min/lot
Extra charges will be made for subdivisions in hilly or brushy terrain.		

**SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENTS\***

A. Street Plans and Profiles, and Staking Curb and Gutter	.....	\$30.00/Lot
B. Sewer Design and Layout	.....	\$20.00/Lot
C. Water System Design and Layout	.....	\$ 7.00/Lot
D. Storm Sewer Design and Layout	.....	Per Diem
*All design work must be performed by a Licensed Engineer.		

**MORTGAGE CERTIFICATES (Within Engineer or Land Surveyor's own Subdivision)**

A. F.H.A. and Conventional — on basis of 5 lots or more at a time	.....	\$15.00/Lot
B. G.I.—on basis of 5 lots or more at a time	.....	\$20.00/Lot

Other surveys not noted above to be performed at per diem rates as follows:

1 Man Survey Party	.....	\$ 6.50/Hr.
2 Man Survey Party	.....	11.00/Hr.
3 Man Survey Party	.....	15.00/Hr.
4 Man Survey Party	.....	18.50/Hr.
Draftsman or Computer	.....	6.00/Hr.
Principal	.....	8.00/Hr.

**OUT-OF-TOWN WORK:**

Per diem rates as above and all expenses incurred plus 10% and 10 cents per mile for vehicle (15 cents per mile for truck).

## UCLS Board Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2017

5:00 P.M.

Rodizio Grill

I) **Dinner**

II) **Welcome & Call or Order - Dale Robinson**

The meeting was called to order after dinner - around 6:45 p.m.

III) **Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:**

Dale Robinson	State Chair
Scott Woolsey	Past Chair
Gary Christensen	SL President
Harold Marshall	BC President
Todd Jacobsen	CC President
Rick Snyder	CC Representative
Brock Slaugh	BC Representative
Tim Prestwich	SL Representative
Brad Daley	TC President
Jim Kaiserman	TC Representative
Steve Dale	NSPS Representative
Michael Nadeau	WestFed Representative

**Board Members Absent:**

Val Schultz	GS Representative
Andy Hubbard	GS President
Brad Mortensen	Treasurer
Dan Perry	State Chair-Elect

Susan Merrill, Administrative Secretary, was in attendance and Dale Robinson presided in the chair.

IV) **Approval of Minutes - November 19, 2016**

**Motion:** Michael Nadeau moved to accept the minutes from the November 29, 2016 Board meeting. Scott Woolsey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

V) **New Business - James Olschewski proposal**

James Olschewski spoke briefly about the IRWA - International Right of Way Association. He mentioned that they are having a symposium on April 7 in Park City. It is a transportation related symposium titled "Trains, Planes and Automobiles." IRWA would like to invite the UCLS and all of its members to attend. There will be speakers from UTA, the airport and UDOT. This is an international event. Last year it was held at Niagara Falls on the Canadian side. There were about 300 people in attendance from around the world. James would like to spend some time at the UCLS conference promoting IRWA and would like to petition the Board to waive the fee for a booth for the IRWA like we do for the colleges and DOPL. James would like to have 10 minutes at the convention to promote IRWA and showcase what they do and then direct people to the booth.

**Motion:** Steve Dale moved to waive the booth fee for IRWA. Brad Daley seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tim Prestwich indicated that he needs a project that will be 40-60 hours of work for a non-profit organization. This would be research related work. He is open to ideas, but suggested that maybe he can work on the scholarship criteria to make scholarship evaluations easier for the committee.

**Motion:** Todd Jacobsen moved to have Tim Prestwich to write criteria for our scholarship selection and evaluation. Gary Christensen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VI) **Election Results**

Susan Merrill sent the election results to the Board for approval by email. She also read the results at the meeting and they are as follows:

Book Cliffs Chapter Representative:	Brock Slaugh
Book Cliffs Secretary/Treasurer:	Paul Hawkes
Color Country Chapter Representative:	Rick Snyder
Color Country Chapter Secretary/Treasurer:	Mike Draper
Golden Spike Chapter Representative:	Val Schultz
Golden Spike Chapter Secretary/Treasurer:	Travis Gower
Salt Lake Chapter Representative:	Brian Mitchell
Salt Lake Chapter Secretary/Treasurer:	Shad Hall
Timpanogos Chapter Representative:	Jim Kaiserman
Timpanogos Chapter Secretary/Treasurer:	Chad A. Poulsen
State Chair-Elect:	James Coutts
WestFed Representative:	Michael Nadeau

**Motion:** Mike Nadeau moved to accept the election results. Hal Marshall seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

VII) **Convention items, if necessary**

Todd Jacobsen spoke briefly about the app that we are using this year. Our app will be submitted to the app stores on Monday. It will go live in a week or two. Everyone who registers for the convention will be able to download the app.

Todd also brought a couple of shirts to decide between for the convention. It was decided to choose the performance material shirt in gray with short sleeves.

Todd will send out information on introducing presenters. There will be a Saturday day trip to the monument after the convention. The road out there is very narrow. If you have a four-wheeler or side-by-side, you will want to bring that. Otherwise, we will have to carpool out to it. Todd is trying to get permission from the BLM to flatten the area that makes it hard to drive to.

a) **February Board meeting date:** we will have a short Board meeting right after the convention on Friday evening.

VIII) **Surveyor of the Year and Lifetime Achievement award selection**

The chapter presidents met to decide on awards. Scott Woolsey filled in for Dan Perry, committee chair, who was not in attendance. There is one Surveyor of the Year nomination and two Lifetime Achievement Award nominations. There is no rule saying we can only have one Lifetime Achievement Award in one year.





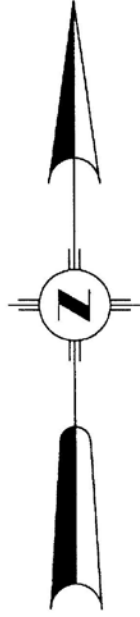
IX) **Adjourn**

**Motion:** Hal Marshall moved to adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Next board meeting February 24, 2017 right after the convention ends.

**MATCH THE NORTH ARROW TO THE COMPANY**

Company	A	B	C	D	E	
1 Curtis & Associates						1 = _____
2 Cornerstone, Inc.						2 = _____
3 Inberg Miller Engineering						3 = _____
4 Legend Engineering						4 = _____
5 NW Brown Engineering						5 = _____

Answers on page 7

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**Questar Gas Company**

**Surveyor 2 (901680) REPOST** - Surveying, D.N. Rose Building, Salt Lake City, Utah  
Salary will be based on market rates.

**Application Deadline: Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 11:59 p.m.**  
(May be closed and filled immediately due to business need)

Note: See UCLS website for additional job opportunities

**To apply for this position:**

- Applicants must reside in and be legally authorized to work in the United States without immigration sponsorship.
- Dominion Questar participates in E-Verify.
- Complete a Dominion Questar application by visiting [www.questar.com](http://www.questar.com) - click on the Careers button in the upper right corner of the screen.

**Duties and Responsibilities**

Assist plan and perform field survey work for pipeline installation. Including but not limited to: locating mains, service liens, and pipeline facilities in the field, locating other utilities. Gather as-constructed data on pipeline projects. Work with engineers and licensed surveyors to gather data for routes and rights-of-way for construction activities. Maintain surveying tools, material supplies and crew vehicles. Assist with field staking of pipeline center lines, right of way limits, special crossings, etc. for the purpose of constructing pipelines and pipeline facilities. Perform other duties as assigned.

**Work Conditions**

Requires: Working in extreme cold or hot temperatures. Working on uneven or slippery surfaces. Standing and walking for long periods of time while working with survey tools. Frequent bending, squatting, twisting and reaching.

May require: Overnight travel, working alone in isolated areas, working overtime, weekend and holiday work to complete a project.

**Minimum Qualifications**

Knowledge of: basic arithmetic

Skill in: the use of surveying equipment such as Global position systems (GPS), levels, tapes, total stations, data collectors, pipe locators, and relating interpersonally with internal and external customers.

Ability to: use mobile radio equipment; respond to emergency conditions which may include: changing flat tires, chaining up vehicle, operation jack, performing minor maintenance, and operating a two-way radio; carry GPS equipment and walk around work sites with uneven terrain; perform a variety of strenuous manual labor tasks which may include: using a shovel, climbing ladders and earth inclines, accessing equipment above floor level, lifting, moving and carrying heavy objects, and extensive walking; see object at close range; determine the distance and relationship between objects; write legibly; perform semi-skilled computer operations (i.e., email, data entry and data retrieval); read and understand written instructions; communicate effectively orally and in writing; match or discriminate between colors; communicate with supervisors, co-workers, customers and others in a positive customer-oriented manner; lift 50 pounds; follow company safety practices and policies; hear to detect the proximity of machinery and equipment; contribute to a positive work environment; be courteous to co-workers and customers; follow directions from supervisor; and refrain from abusive or profane language and behavior in the workplace.

**Requirements:**

Regular attendance; Minimum 6 months experience performing survey work, and/or Auto Cad Civil 3d drafting or equivalent related experience; An Associate's degree in land surveying preferred; Undergo random drug and/or alcohol testing with satisfactory results subject to DOT and company requirements; A valid driver's license for the size and type of vehicle that will be driven on the job; An acceptable driving record; Adherence to all company policies, including the Questar Corporation Business Ethics and Compliance Policy, and to all applicable industry rules and regulations such as FERC compliance.

**Nonexempt**

**Dominion Questar is an equal-opportunity employer and drug-free workplace.**

**EEOC/PWDNET.**

**Dominion Questar is an EEO/AA Employer: M/F/Disabled/Vet.**

**Veterans are encouraged to apply.**

Answers to North Arrow Question 1= C; 2= B; 3= E; 4= A; 5= D



### **End of year 2016 (fourth quarter) Municipal Boundary Updates**

Once again we have reached the end of the year, and all updates for the Municipal Boundaries are available for download and listed below.

We would like to welcome the newest city in the state: Millcreek in Salt Lake County, seems like it was a long time coming and now it's here. Hooray!

We also will say goodbye to Ophir, a historic mining town in Tooele County, which was officially dissolved this fall. The municipal boundary may no longer be in effect, but all the history is still there.

There are now five new Metro Townships in Salt Lake County: Magna, White City, Kearns, Copperton, and Emigration Canyon.

For the year the Lt. Governor's Office and AGRC have processed 90 documents for annexations and dissolutions, one City Incorporation, and five Metro Townships incorporations. This represents a few more than were handled last year so we continue to grow. Utah County is still leading with 29 overall, closest second was Cache County with 12. Many thanks to all the City and County Recorder Offices and Surveyors who assist in keeping an accurate representation of Utah's political subdivisions.

All of the incorporation documents can be reviewed on the 2016 Municipal Certification website at <https://municipert.utah.gov/>.

### **2017 - GIS - Maps on the Hill Recap**

The UGIC 2017 Maps on the Hill event was another great success. We've heard from more than a few that this is among the favorite rotunda events during the session, thanks to the great work being done by participants, volunteers, and judges. Check out the annual mapbook at <http://drive.google.com/file/d/0BxoOAQyOvGgaNmdVdC1XSFVWdms/view>

#### **2017 Legislative Session UCLS Legislative Committee**

Left to right

Dale Robinson, Harold Marshall, Peyton Hatch, Todd Jacobsen, Jim Kaiserman, Doug Kinsman, Dan Perry, Scott Woolsey, Barham Rahimzadegan, Devron Anderson, Jerry Fletcher





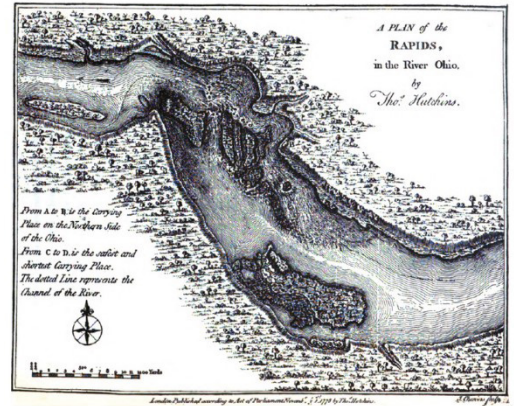
### When Land Surveys Were a Modern Marvel

In 1784, Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton squared off over the best way to divvy up newly American territory.

On September 30, 1785, Thomas Hutchins, the first and only Geographer of the United States, set out to divide the country's Western lands into neat, square parcels. He was supposed have a team of 13 men, one representing each new state, but only eight had shown up. At least three had an ulterior motive - they were allied with private investment companies eager to scout out land that would soon put up for sale.

The project Hutchins and his team were embarking on was innovative and massively ambitious, but it began in a small way, at a wooden post staked on the north bank of the Ohio River, at the western border of Pennsylvania. With a couple of simple measurement tools and a compass, the men started their work, measuring and marking out a line due west into Ohio. It took them more than a week to work over four miles, and that was it for the year. Hutchins was not willing to travel farther west and risk running into the violent conflict with the Lenape, which had sparked after a Pennsylvania militia massacred 96 people.

For the rest of the story, check out the article at [http://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/ohio-public-land-survey?utm\\_source=Atlas+Obscura+Daily+Newsletter](http://www.atlasobscura.com/articles/ohio-public-land-survey?utm_source=Atlas+Obscura+Daily+Newsletter)



#### Did You Know?

One of the best ways to remember something is to tell someone else about it. Studies show when you immediately relay what you've learned, you're more likely to remember the details longer than if you just re-read your notes or textbook. When your brain categorizes memories, it keep the most important ones more accessible, because it assumes the information you've told someone else must be pretty important.



"No, go the other way, dummy"

Cover Page

# Declaration of Homestead

See: other side

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RECORDER, SALT LAKE COUNTY, UTAH  
STEVEN FRITTS  
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SLC UT 84110  
BY: UGA, DEPUTY - WI 2 P.

Other Side

# Declaration of Homestead

*Through this Writ regarding matters of Truth and Fact:*

*i declare, with God as my witness, the absolute gift of unique DNA/allodium and living spirit delivered exclusively to me more than fifty-three years ago when two separate essential states - sperm and ovum - became united through a lawful and private physical union of unconditional love and labor between my true genetic father and mother as fully expressed within the nonconventional Notice of Paramount Claim upon My  $\phi$  Private Nature  $\phi$  Divine Proportion  $\phi$  Manifest Essence  $\phi$  - experienced from the beginning by me alone upon a private spirit-filled dwelling within the johnny/Fritts-evelyn/Lacy Homestead not entrusted or subject to any other as clearly evidenced by "historical" Tarrant Texas record(s) #142-63-014168 Registrar's file #423 and fully authenticated certificate of live birth #15016775-2.*