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**FOCAL POINT TO
BE EMAIL ONLY!**

Welcome to my first edition of the Focal Point. Over time you will see little bits and pieces change, but first we need to give Jed a big round of applause for all of his efforts over the last six years. I can tell you first hand that this is no easy job.

We are changing the Focal Point to an all email edition starting next month. However, if you still wish to receive a hard copy, you must contact me by January 15 and we will be happy to accommodate your wishes!

Speaking of wishes....

Happy New Year!

The new editor email address is: focalpointeditor@gmail.com or call 209-518-9962

EDUCATION CORNER



As another successful semester comes to a close at our local Sacramento City College program, a new one is just around the corner! Here are the classes being offered for the Spring Semester 2008...

SURVY 300 Elementary Surveying 4 Units

Description: This course provides an introduction to the principles and practices of plane surveying. Survey instrumentation and methods of measuring distances, angles, and differences in elevation will be presented. Fundamental surveying methods including traversing, area computations, and use and care of electronic survey equipment will be stressed. Computation methods associated with surveying will be covered.

Schedule: **Full Term, Jan 19-May 21**

T	06:00PM-08:40PM	LEC	E. Zimmerman
Sa	09:00AM-01:30PM	LAB	E. Zimmerman
Sa	02:00PM-06:30PM	LAB	E. Zimmerman

SURVY 320 Advanced Survey 4 Units

Description: This course focuses on real-world surveying applications such as, primary control, construction layout and staking, horizontal and vertical curves, above and underground structural staking, subdivision lotting, and street improvement construction. Introduction to boundary surveying and photogrammetric surveys, California State Plane Coordinate System, and theory of geodetic and control surveys. GPS, GIS, and electronic surveys and mapping are also introduced. Student should provide hand-held Electronic Scientific Style calculator equipped with trigonometric capabilities.

Schedule: **Full Term, Jan 19-May 21**

M	06:00PM-08:40PM	LEC	J. Adam
Sa	09:00AM-01:30PM	LAB	J. Adam

SURVY 360 Survey Business Practices 3 Units

Description: This course focuses on surveying economics; contracts and specifications; organizing, staffing, hiring and supervision of technical personnel, surveyor-client relationships and ethics of practice.

Schedule: **Full Term, Jan 19-May 21**

W	07:00PM-10:05PM	LEC	M. Dequine
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Fresno State University
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I am including a donation of \$_____ for the Scholarship Fund. Make checks payable to SAC CLSA

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WHEN & WHERE

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through

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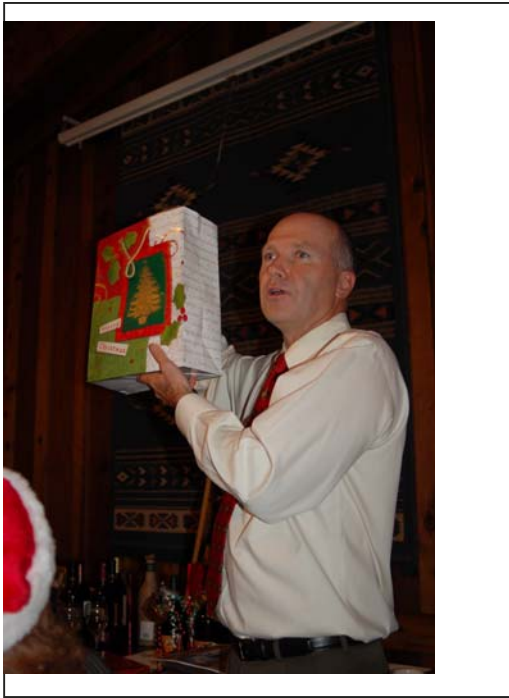
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DECEMBER MEETING

Our December meeting is all about fellowship and scholarship! We had a great deal fun seeing everyone! And we earned over \$800 dollars for our scholarship fund! Thanks for coming and thanks for everyone's generosity!

ATTENDEES:

Paul Carlson, Merriette Carlson, Dave Karoly, Bonnie Karoly, Evan Page, Natasha Page, Micki Fenske, Larry Fenske Neal Jones, Melanie Jones, Mary Goodman, Dave Goodman, Jon Scarpa, Debra Scarpa, L. Dean Baker, Annette Lockhart, Rob McMillan, Kevin Akin, William Telling, Carrie Telling, Emerson Smith, Mariette Smith, Charlie Newman, Jed DeGraff, Matt Stringer, Jenn Stringer, Albert DeLeon, Damon Burns, Paul Enneking, Alex Enneking, Paul Tonn, Deanna Tonn, Christopher Curtis, James Campbell, Karl Sharlette, JoAnna Sharlette, Bill Jackson, Tina Jackson, John Wilusz, Pantal-ion"Ben" Sanchez, Clayton Guiraud, Nick Labedzki

Special Thanks to those making **special contributions** to our raffle:

California Surveying Drafting Supply,

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If I missed anyone, I will make additional notations next month.

NEW ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR DEEDS IN 2008

Below you will find the new acknowledgement for Deeds in 2008. It is part of a new notary bill as shown in this bill: ab_886_bill_20071010_chaptered.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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State of California

County of _____

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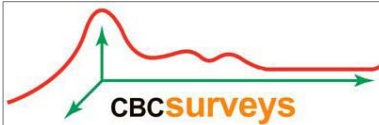
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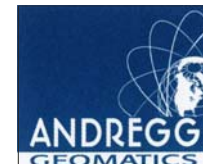
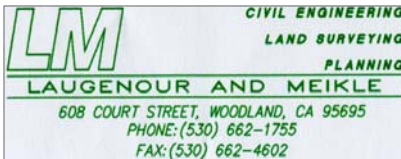
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