

# North Carolina Property Mappers Association

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## **P**resident's Corner

Greetings to all my fellow mappers from the Great State of Wilkes! Fall has been beautiful here this year and I hope you all have had a chance to enjoy it in your neck of the woods. It is with great pleasure that I assume the role as the new president of the NCPMA. I would like to thank Ted Cisine and his committee for a very well organized and informative fall conference. The pre-conference workshop instructed by Tom Hepler was well attended. Preliminary plans are to include this option again at next year's conference. Please watch for a survey to be posted by Ted on the listserv with regards to the conference. Please help us out and respond whether you were there or not, your input is valuable in determining details of future events. While on the subject of the listserv, I would like to request that at least one member of each office subscribe. Although there are now four issues of *The North Arrow* produced annually there are often topics that arise between those times that you may need to know about and I would like to have this as an option to contact you. And for those of you that haven't participated it's a great way to keep in touch with what's going on in other counties that may be helpful to you... it also gets pretty crazy from time to time but hey, were county employees and you sorta have to be a little crazy to do this work anyway!

As you may know by now, Rex Minneman has retired from Land Records and his position has yet to be filled. Through the efforts of Patricia Pike and the previous executive board we had a productive meeting with Secretary of State Elaine Marshall to try and impress upon her the importance of his position and what it means to the members of this association. She was very receptive to our request. Until his replacement is

named, all contacts should be directed to Gail Holder. You will find a copy of the registration form attached to this issue. Don't forget all required documentation and fees.

The NCPMA now has a rewards account at Staples. We receive rebates quarterly based on what is purchased in the name of that account. This rebate helps to defray supply expenses and equipment purchases required by the association, so if you have any purchases planned at Staples in the future, please consider making them in the name of the association. Every little bit helps and it adds up during the year. Contact Tammy Southern in Forsyth County for details.

The NCPMA will be co-sponsoring the NCGIS conference in Winston Salem, March 1-2 and there is a pre conference workshop on February 28<sup>th</sup>. You can acquire up to 24 hours of credit for certification by attending all three days. The conference itself counts as 16 hours and you must sign up every day, all day, to receive credit. There is an additional fee for the workshop and you can gain an additional 8 hours for attending it. Further information is online on our website.

I look forward to serving you in the coming year. I need to hear from you. I'll be open to any suggestions, changes, ideas, and criticisms. Neither I nor the Executive Board can pull this off without your input so please let me know what you are thinking. If you feel like getting more involved and would like to share your talents, then please consider joining a committee. Enjoy the rest of fall and I hope you all enjoy the upcoming holidays.

*Vic Spencer, CMS*

Wizard of Wilkes  
2006-2007 NCPMA President

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## 2nd ANNUAL NCPMA SKI TRIP

Anyone interested in a going on a 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual NCPMA Ski Trip?

The more people that go...the "cheaper it can be"! No details are set yet, but if we can get an idea of how many would be interested then we could go ahead and make some reservations in the ski mountains of NC.



Let our Prez Vic know if you are interested  
either by an email or phone call  
[downoldsixty@hotmail.com](mailto:downoldsixty@hotmail.com) or 336.651.7311



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[www.ncpropertymappers.org](http://www.ncpropertymappers.org)

[www.ncpma.com](http://www.ncpma.com)

or [www.ncmpa.net](http://www.ncmpa.net)

and see the North Arrow in all it's colorful glory!



**Welcome to the  
2007 North Carolina  
GIS Conference**

**2007 NC GIS  
10th Anniversary Conference**

March 1-2, 2007 - Benton Convention Center  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

# A Letter from the 2006 NCPMA Mapper of the Year

To My Fellow Mappers,

It is not often you find me speechless. Wednesday night at the Awards Banquet, receiving the Mapper of the Year award was one of them.

I would first like to thank my Assessor, Stan Duncan, who drove four hours to attend. I always say it starts at the top. And by showing up, that simple act speaks volumes about what it means to be a manager of people. Thanks Stan.

Also in attendance, my Land Records Manager and the 1996 Mapper of the Year, Pam Carver. I guess this makes Henderson County a two time winner of this award. How many counties can make that claim! I can't say enough about this lady, My boss, my co-worker, and my friend. I tell everyone, I would not have been at Henderson County for almost twenty years if not for Pam.

One of the best lessons I have learned, is that none of us work in a vacuum. For a good bit of my time at Henderson County, I have had the good fortune to sit next to another pretty fair mapper, Marsha Drake. You know how it is when you are stuck on something? Subdivision doesn't fit, and you have moved it every which way but into the trash can? I can always say, "Marsha, can you come look at this?" Just having someone to say that to, is, in all seriousness, priceless. And here is the best thing. Sometimes Marsha will even utter those golden words, "You want me to do it?"

I may get a lot of mapping done, but at the same time, Judy Gilmore has already researched the deed, associated it with a parcel, and plotted it. Or Tina Ball has contacted a surveyor and there is a .dxf file waiting for me. Or Denny Foresman is talking to someone at the front counter so I can stay in the back and map.

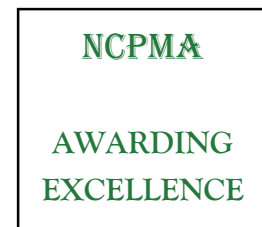
None of us work alone.

I look at the names of previous winners of this award and I know many of these people, and while the caliber of mapping, technical skills, and contributions to the NCPMA are considerable, it is the caliber of the PEOPLE that sets the standard so high.

Last of all, I would like to relate the story of a co-worker. The guy that works our front counter, Denny Foresman, is a great guy. He was in the Coast Guard for over twenty years and flew helicopters and fixed wing aircraft from the Gulf of Mexico to the North Slope of Alaska. He was one of two people selected from hundreds of applicants for Flight School. One day I asked him, "You know, does it still feel special, lucky, whatever, even after all these years? To be selected for flight school, to get to fly and serve your country?" There was a pause, then he said, "Yeah. It does still feel special. But you know, it's like what I have told all my children, 'Dream Big.'"

That is what I would say to all of you, ...  
"Dream Big!"

Thank you all,  
David Gottberg  
2006 NCPMA Mapper of the Year





## A WAY TO HELP SUPPORT THE NCPMA

.....okay, we're really not advertising for Staples, but I would like to let you know about the rewards \$\$\$ that the association could benefit from and all you would have to do is mention NCPMA when making your purchase.

If you are not already in the Rewards program yourself, then please consider letting the association benefit from your Staples purchases in the future. In the past we have purchased supplies for mapping school, equipment, cases for our projectors, electric pencil sharpeners, mailing supplies, etc., with these Rewards "points". Our rewards \$\$\$ from last quarter is \$120. We are going to use this to purchase a printer for the association to have on hand during conferences and schools.

Thanks for your consideration.....every little bit helps.

Our account # is: **5330655969** or **NCPMA** should work as well.



**YOUR WORLD**  
**YOUR NCPMA**

## NC STATE CERTIFIED PROPERTY MAPPERS RENEWAL INFORMATION

Until further notice please send State Certified Property Mapper renewal forms to:

Secretary of State  
Land Records Management Division  
PO BOX 29626  
Raleigh, NC 27626-0626

Attn: Gail Holder <----(this part is **IMPORTANT!!!**)

Please be sure to include all your fees and documents required. Even though Gail may be one of the most organized persons that works in that office, you need to remember that she is not accustomed to sending "reminders" and "did you forgets" like Rex did for us, so you may need to follow up before your absolute deadline to be sure your renewal is being processed.



# North Carolina Department of the Secretary of State Renewal Application for State Certified Property Mapper

Elaine F. Marshall  
Secretary

You must complete the entire form

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

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address or P.O. Box  
City State Zip Code

Office Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Employed: \_\_\_\_\_  
mm/dd/yyyy

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a State Certified Property Mapper? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Certification Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
mm/dd/yyyy

Please provide a brief description of your general job duties (attach additional sheets if necessary):

List all approved courses, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc. you have attended for certification renewal. (Attach additional sheets if necessary) You must include the dates you attended these programs and the number of hours you attended. You must submit proof of attendance with this form.

<u>Course</u>	<u>Date Attended</u>	<u>Hours Attended</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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You must submit a check or money order for \$20 with this form. Please make your check or money order payable to the *State of North Carolina/General Fund*. Completed form, attachments, and fees should be mailed to:  
NC Department of the Secretary of State  
Land Records Management Division  
P.O. Box 29626  
Raleigh, NC 27626

*I hereby certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:*

Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Unsigned or undated forms will not be processed

## NCPMA DOT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The NCPMA has collected contact information from 90 of the 100 counties. On Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup> 2006, county contact persons were notified via email for initial set up using the (FTS) File Transfer System. Once the ROW-CADD Group has completed a current active project, the CADD data will be sent to you automatically through the NCDOT File Transfer System (FTS) in a .dxf format. You can also request older NCDOT Projects by emailing Grady Morris at [grmorris@dot.state.nc.us](mailto:grmorris@dot.state.nc.us)

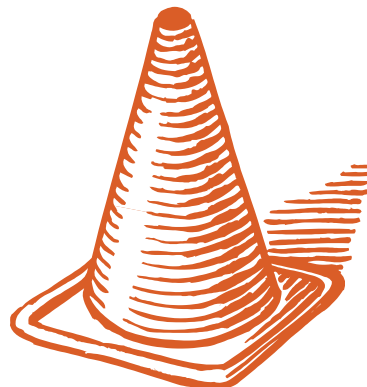
If you provided the NCPMA with your contact information and did not receive the email notice for initial set up using the File Transfer System contact Sean Russell at (919) 733-7932 x329 for FTS access.

If you have any issues or items that you would like the NCPMA to discuss with NCDOT contact Eric John, Wake County at (919) 856-6378 or email at [ejohn@co.wake.nc.us](mailto:ejohn@co.wake.nc.us)

### USEFUL NCDOT INFORMATION

Useful Web Links For You	
ROW Phone Directory	<a href="http://apps01.dot.state.nc.us/apps/directory/660.html">http://apps01.dot.state.nc.us/apps/directory/660.html</a>
ROW Web Page	<a href="http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/row/">http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/row/</a>
ROW Division Agent List	<a href="http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/row/contact/default.html">http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/row/contact/default.html</a>
NCDOT Phone Directory	<a href="http://apps01.dot.state.nc.us/apps/directory/">http://apps01.dot.state.nc.us/apps/directory/</a>
NCDOT FTS System	<a href="https://fts.dot.state.nc.us/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fDefault.aspx">https://fts.dot.state.nc.us/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fDefault.aspx</a>
NCDOT CADD Resources	<a href="http://www.ncdot.org/IT/engineering_transportation_systems/CADD/">http://www.ncdot.org/IT/engineering_transportation_systems/CADD/</a>
NCDOT - TIP	<a href="http://www.ncdot.org/planning/development/TIP/TIP/">http://www.ncdot.org/planning/development/TIP/TIP/</a>

Contact Information		
Primary CADD Contact	Secondary CADD Contact	FTS Contact
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919-733-7932 x306	919-733-7932 x311	919-733-7932 x329
<a href="mailto:Grmorris@dot.state.nc.us">Grmorris@dot.state.nc.us</a>	<a href="mailto:Cdhendrix@dot.state.nc.us">Cdhendrix@dot.state.nc.us</a>	<a href="mailto:Srussell@dot.state.nc.us">Srussell@dot.state.nc.us</a>



# 2007 Calendar of Events

## January 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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## April 2007

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## July 2007

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## August 2007

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## September 2007

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## October 2007

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## November 2007

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## December 2007

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**IAAO**  
Listing and  
Assessing  
Course  
\*Asheville, NC\*

**NC GIS  
Conference**  
\*Winston-  
Salem, NC\*

**2007  
MAPPING  
SCHOOL**  
\*Asheville, NC\*

**IAAO  
Annual  
Conference**  
\*Atlanta, GA\*

**NCPMA  
Fall  
Conference**  
\*RTP, NC\*

### Website Info

Always remember, the NCPMA website has up-to-date information, applications, vendor links, workshops and more available throughout the year. Thanks Rich for doing such a GREAT job!

<http://ncpropertymappers.org>  
[www.ncpma.com](http://www.ncpma.com)  
[www.ncpma.net](http://www.ncpma.net)



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