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# NEWSLETTER

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## **P**resident's Corner

Happy New Year!

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I hope all of you had a wonderful and safe holiday season. I got more than I deserved in Christmas gifts. Santa must have gotten the wrong report? I hope all of you got to experience "some special magic" this Christmas!

Well, let's see, what has happened since the conference? Let me start with the Executive Board. In December Ted Cisine (Secretary) accepted a new position in Cabarrus County that would prohibit him from fulfilling his obligation as NCPMA Secretary. He was a valuable member to the board and we will miss him, but we understand. We knew we couldn't go almost a whole year with that position being vacant, so we took action. Michelle Babson (current Treasurer) was 'promoted' to Secretary, and we asked Robin Etheridge of Dare County to join us as Treasurer on the NCPMA Executive Board. It made perfect sense. She was originally one of the nominees for the board this year and was runner up with the number of votes. She is well respected in her county and we feel privileged to have her agree to join the board. So, if you weren't expecting to see her name on the line up, then that's why. Next time you see or talk to her, offer your congratulations or condolences, whichever you feel is most appropriate.

We have formed a new committee called the Legacy Committee. It is made up of Past Presidents and the major goal is to "fine tune" the Constitution and By-Laws of NCPMA. There are already some issues to be addressed by this prestigious committee, but we also offer your input. If you have any suggestions, please contact Vic Spencer, Legacy Comm. Chair.

Next I would like to say THANK YOU to all the ones who volunteered to be on NCPMA committees! You may not have gotten the committee you wanted due to a committee already at capacity or location preferences. We try to get county representation statewide when selecting committee members. I think we found a 'seat' for almost everyone who was interested and it's fairly balanced.

MEMBERSHIP? Oh Yes, the membership form is inside this issue! Don't delay....send yours in today!!!

It's Gonna Be GREAT in '08!!!

Tammy Southern, CMS  
2008 NCPMA President



**Congratulations!**

**Award Winners**

**CMS**

**Greg Belk**.....Cabarrus County

**Academic Achievement - Mapper**

(3 way tie)

**David Goldston**.....Durham County

**William P. Page**.....Gaston County

**K. Lawrence Stacey**.....Buncombe County

**Academic Achievement - Senior Mapper - (2 way tie)**

**William Canady**.....Lee County

**Sou Moua**.....Union County

**Plumb Bob Award**

**Gail Forehand**.....Chowan County

**Lifetime Membership**

**Tim Merrill**

**Mapper of the Year**

**Teresa G. Fisher**.....Onslow County

**President's Pride**

**Steve Randone**.....Brunswick County



*Valediction*



With over 30 years with the Rowan County Mapping Department, the time has come for me to retire. My last day at work was November 30 2007. I have been with the NCPMA from the very beginning. I have seen many changes and advancement within the NCPMA. The members of the NCPMA have become like a big family. I have made many friends that I will truly miss.

I wish everyone the very best and to remember that the NCPMA is your organization and it is only as strong as you make it.

*Barbara Gallimore*

*Rowan County Mapping Department*



*Suzie Robinson*

*Nicholson*

Suzie Robinson Nicholson, 48, died unexpectedly Thursday, Nov. 22, 2007, at her residence. A native of Biloxi, Miss. she lived in Jackson County since 1971, she was a loving mother and gramma and a avid baker and gardener, she worked in the Jackson County mapping department; a member of Scotts Creek Baptist Church, the daughter of Ruth Jacobs Robinson of Sylva and the late John H. Robinson Jr., who died in 2004. Surviving in addition to her mother is her daughter, Cornina Gribble and husband, Brian, of Sylva; one son, Matthew Nicholson and wife, Jenny, of Cullowhee; her children ' s father, David Nicholson of Sylva; one sister, Lisa Buchanan of Sylva and one granddaughter, Aiden Nicholson.

Suzie was the Program Chairperson for our Fall Conference in 2004. She will be greatly missed among her NCPMA friends.



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**THANK YOU,  
THANK YOU,  
THANK YOU!!!**

You guys have helped us out again! The rewards from 2007 should be coming soon!

If you are not already in the Rewards program yourself, then please consider letting the association benefit from your Staples purchases in the future. It helps with supplies, equipment, etc. ....every little bit helps.

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

# Local Government Committee And You

## What is the LGC?

The LGC, or Local Government Committee, is one of the committees of the NC Geographic Information Coordinating Council (GICC). It exists to advise the GICC on issues, problems and opportunities relating to GIS and geospatial information from the local government perspective. And, in turn, the LGC keeps local government GIS users informed about the status of GIS activities and efforts in the state and state government, as well as the actions of the GICC.

The LGC has raised important issues that the GICC has tackled. Recent efforts involve the NC Surveyors Law and how it applies to GIS in local government; development of cost-sharing for geospatial data development and acquisition (ex. the NC OneMap cost-share program for high-resolution orthophotography); and local/state government data sharing recommendations.

The data sharing recommendations resulted from an LGC proposal that was tasked to a special *ad hoc* Data Sharing Working Group. The process and multiple drafts of the recommendations were reviewed extensively by local and state agencies, and were adopted by the GICC on November 7. For a full review of the recommendations, please visit the GICC website, [www.ncgicc.org](http://www.ncgicc.org)

The LGC elects a chair who serves as a voting member of the GICC. The LGC is composed of six members who each represent a professional organization. They include the NC Property Mappers Association (Steve Randone, Brunswick County); Carolina Chapter of the Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (Amy Durden, Camden County); NC Local Government Information Systems Association (Chris Kolyk, Moore County); Association of Regional Council Executive Directors (Alex Rickard, Eastern Carolina Council); NC Association of County Commissioners (Julie Stamper, Pasquotank County); and NC League of Municipalities (Colleen Sharpe, City of Raleigh). The group meets quarterly by teleconference. Colleen Sharpe is the current chair.

## How does NCPMA participate?

Contact your representative, Steve Randone (Brunswick County). Additionally, two members of the LGC serve on the GICC's Statewide Mapping Advisory Committee: Ted Cisine (Cabarrus County), and Julie Stamper (Pasquotank County). They are your voice.

From time to time the entire local government GIS community is notified by email concerning topics of critical interest through an "LGC Alert." The LGC representative from each member organization sends the LGC Alert to their listserv. The LGC Alert provides a hot link to the GICC's webpage for detailed information on that topic.

When time is short and/or technical guidance is needed, the LGC depends on its GIS Advisory Team. The "A Team" responds to requests for assistance either on their own, or by soliciting opinions from their own networks. There are currently 14 "A Team" members.

The Local Government Committee provides important perspectives and input into the GIS coordination process. North Carolina continues to show how GIS collaboration works best.

*By Diana Hales, NCCGIA and Steve Randone, Brunswick County*

Like what you see here? Try it in **COLOR!** Log on to our website at [www.ncpropertymappers.org](http://www.ncpropertymappers.org), [www.ncpma.com](http://www.ncpma.com) OR [www.ncpma.net](http://www.ncpma.net) to view the North Arrow in all of its colorful glory!





# 2008 NCPMA Membership Application

Make checks payable to "North Carolina Property Mappers Association" and mail with this form to:

**Michelle Babson, NCPMA Secretary**  
**Robeson County GIS**  
**224 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Lumberton, NC 28358**

**Deadline: Friday, March 28, 2008**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI Designation (CMS, GISP, etc.)

**County/Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  **Add me**  
If you are not currently a member of the NCPMA listserv and would like to be added, select "Add me" above

**Position/Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Dept.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code Number Ext. Area Code Number

Please indicate which of the following certifications/professional designations you have.

**Regular Mapper**  **Senior Mapper**  **State Certified Mapper**  **CMS**  **GISP**

*The North Arrow* delivery preference: select below if you do not view the newsletter online.

I would prefer to receive a **printed** copy of the *North Arrow* by mail.

- To insure proper placement in the 2008 *Legend* please fill in all information and indicate correct membership applicable to your profession. Please review names in the 2006 *Legend* and advise us of employee changes.
- Deadline for applications to **guarantee** listing in the *Legend* is **March 28, 2008**.
- Late renewals and those received at school or conference are subject to a \$5.00 late charge.

**REGULAR MEMBERS:** NCPMA Bylaws Article II Section 1

Mappers, mapping supervisors, GIS personnel and department heads in charge of mapping, employed by County and City Government units shall be entitled to regular membership. (*According to G.S. 147-54-4, a person employed by a local government who is responsible for creating and maintaining large scale cadastral maps is a mapper.*)

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** NCPMA Bylaws Article II Section 2

Persons not eligible for regular membership but whom are actively involved in Land Records Management. (Other interested government workers, i.e. E-911, Appraisers, Planning & Zoning, and Registers of Deeds.)

**SUBSCRIBING MEMBERS:** NCPMA Bylaws Article II Section 3

Manager Level individuals and marketing Representatives of non-governmental firms committed to the Advancement and Modernization of Land Records.

**Please check the type of membership below, noting the fee which applies:**

- Regular Membership (\$25.00/\$30.00 late)  Subscribing Membership (\$50.00/\$55.00)  
 Associate Membership (\$25.00/\$30.00 late)  Lifetime Member – Information update only  
 **New Member** /  **Membership Renewal**  **Return Receipt Requested**

# 2008 Calendar of Events

## January 2008

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**URISA/IAAO  
GIS/CAMA  
Conference  
New Orleans, LA**

**DEADLINE  
2008 NCPMA  
Membership  
Applications**

## July 2008

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**IAAO Course  
600  
To Be  
Announced**

**Spring  
Workshops  
To Be  
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## September 2008

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## October 2008

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## November 2008

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**NCPMA Mapping  
School  
Greenville, NC  
July 28-Aug 1**

**NCPMA 2008 Fall  
Conference  
RTP, NC  
Sep 30-Oct 3**

## December 2008

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## N.C.P.M.A. OUTLET

We now have available:

NCPMA Backpacks w/Logo.....\$15.00  
(2007 Mapping School) **GROOVY!!!**

NCPMA Travel Mugs w/Logo..... \$10.00  
(2005 Conference) **SUPER!!!**



NCPMA Fleece Throws w/Logo.....\$20.00  
(2007 Conference-PICTURED LEFT) **NICE!!!**

To purchase any NCPMA items, please contact Tammy Southern via email at [southerw@forsyth.cc](mailto:southerw@forsyth.cc)

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Or [www.ncpma.net](http://www.ncpma.net)

*Welcome to the  
North Arrow Team  
Katie Templeton of  
Cabarrus County!!*

#### 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!*

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