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Save the Date: January 12th!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 12, 2008, for the ASPRS-RMR Annual Dinner at the Wellshire Inn, Tudor Room, at 3333 S. Colorado Blvd, Denver. Scholarships will be awarded and new officers will be sworn in. Dinner will be an Italian buffet, and the cost is \$30 per person. The Agenda will be:

5:30 PM Cocktails 6:00 PM Welcome

Introduction of 2007 Board

Year in Review

6:45 PM Dinner

After

Dinner Introduction of Student Scholarship Winners

Induction of 2008
ASPRS-RMR Board
Closing and Goals for 2008

To make a reservation or if you have any questions, please contact **Allen Cook by January 5th**, 720-963-6937 or via email <u>allen.cook@ngc.com</u>. Please send checks (payable to ASPRS-RMR) to:

ASPRS-RMR PO Box 280834 Lakewood, CO 80228

We look forward to seeing you there!

Meet the Nominees for the 2008 ASPRS-RMR Board of Directors

Nominee for President

Victoria Provenza is president of proSPATIAL, Ilc, a full service spatial technologies firm located in Centennial, Colorado, specializing in remote sensing, lidar, GIS and GPS. proSPATIAL's capabilities are extended and complemented via strategic partnerships with the world's most respected spatial technology organizations. Ms. Provenza has over 20 years of experience as a geologist, project manager and program manager in the energy, environment, education, public outreach and remote sensing disciplines. She presently serves on the Board of Directors of ASPRS RMR as Vice-President, on the GIS in the Rockies Planning Committee and the Education Committee for GITA.

Return by 9 January 2008.

Ms. Provenza represented ASPRS RMR as the Chair of the Imagery and Remote Sensing Track at GIS in the Rockies in 2006, and on the Planning Committee in 2007. She was the ASPRS RMR coordinator and liaison for the ASPRS Certification Workshop in February 2007. Ms. Provenza is the author of several papers on the topics of geospatial education and technology transfer, and is a guest lecturer on geospatial technologies throughout the United States.

Nominee for Vice-President

Trent G. Casi has over six years of technical sales and account management experience. He joined the Harris Corporation in 2006 working out of its Denver metro office. He promotes leading-edge geospatial services to clients around the globe from oil/gas to visual simulation. Prior to joining Harris, he was employed by Infotech (formerly VARGIS LLC) out of its Washington, DC offices promoting mapping services to the western United States. Mr. Casi also handled the majority of its satellite imagery reseller business. Prior to joining Infotech, he was employed at Accuweather.com in State College, Pennsylvania, as a client application analyst. His duties included working with its GIS mapping systems to create custom weather maps for its agriculture, newspaper, utility, and website clients. Mr. Casi graduated from Penn State University with a degree in geography with an emphasis on environmental GIS and remote sensing. Outside of the office you can find Trent on the ski slopes and mountain bike trails of the world.

Nominee for Secretary

Shaun Callaghan is currently an Account Manager for Definiens, Inc. - Earth Business Unit, responsible for all aspects of sales, channel management and technical support activities in association with the sales and distribution of the Definiens' suite of classification and feature extraction software products. Mr. Callaghan has over 10 years of experience working in photogrammetry, geographic information systems, and satellite remote sensing. Before joining Definiens, Inc., Mr. Callaghan worked for DigitalGlobe, Inc. as manager in the commercial production control center group, acquiring technical data and providing project management for all advanced products. Prior to that he held the position of Mapping Specialist with In Plane View, LLC of Denver. At this position, Mr. Callaghan was responsible for various aspects of the company's business including designing and developing new mapping products, account and project management and expanding the market coverage of all products throughout Colorado. He has also held the position of Technical Manager at Pixxures, Inc, a provider of photogrammetric and on-line data.

Nominee for Treasurer

Linda Meyer has been an ASPRS member since 1998. She is currently a Geospatial Analyst with GeoEye, working in Commercial Production at the Thornton office. Her duties there range from working with Ikonos satellite data in order to create products for customers, to quality control and project management. She has over ten years of experience in Remote Sensing and GIS, beginning as the map and aerial photo expert for a Soil and Water Conservation District in Illinois. Ms. Meyer has extensive experience in customer service, plus experience in tech support, and bookkeeping and tax preparation.

Ms. Meyer received a Master of Science degree in the Forest Sciences, Remote Sensing and GIS Program, from Colorado State University in 2000. At CSU, she was fortunate to have **Dr. Roger Hoffer** as her major professor, and spent a year as a teaching assistant for Dr. Hoffer. In May 2000, she presented her Master's Thesis at the ASPRS Annual Conference in Washington, DC. Ms. Meyer also has an MS in Agricultural Economics from Iowa State University, and a BS in Agriculture from Western Illinois University. She has been a volunteer for GIS in the Rockies, as well as a volunteer for a number of organizations, serving in various capacities, including leadership positions, publicity, event planning, and mentoring.

Nominees for Regional Directors

Mr. Kendall Rhodes possesses over ten years of diverse technology services and data/software experience, which includes 3 years in the GIS sector at Merrick & Company and over 5 years in IT at various organizations, including Ball Aerospace, Metropolitan State University, JD Edwards, and While at Merrick Mr. Charter Communications. Rhodes has sold over \$3M to local and county governments as Account Manager for GeoSpatial Solutions. Mr. Rhodes has a BA in Business Administration from the University of Colorado at Denver. Possessing a combination of hands-on technical experience in the GIS industry coupled with a large degree of real world experience in the IT industry has created a unique combination of skills that are required for his current position at Merrick.

Sharolyn Anderson earned a PhD in 2002 from Arizona State University in Geography with an emphasis in Geographic Information Science; an MS 1996 from University of New Mexico in Geography and a BS in 1986 in Computer Science from University of New Mexico. She has been on the faculty of University of Denver since 2004 where she is an Assistant Professor in the Geography

Department within the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. She teaches the Introduction to Remote Sensing course along with many of the advanced GIScience courses, including Web Mapping, GIS Database and Design, Advanced GIS, and a graduate seminar course in GIScience topics. Her interests are broad; she has worked in areas such as land-use, land-cover and change mapping, urban growth modeling, assessment and monitoring of land degradation and deforestation, multi-scale area calculations, human-environment interactions and the effects on alpine treeline, and urban fires in arid environments. However, the thread that runs through all of her research is its theoretical base in geographic information science (GISc - the science behind the technology: GIS, GPS, remote sensing). She have been a member of ASPRS for 10 years since her graduate studies in 1997.

Matthew Wood has over 13 years experience in the geospatial industry; this includes over three years at ITT Visual Information Solutions and five years at DigitalGlobe. He has also worked at Space Imaging and ESRI. Matthew has a combination of technical and business experience in the geospatial industry. having held positions as software development lead, trainer, production lead, product manager, and director of product marketing. Mr. Wood received his MBA from Daniels College of Business (University of Denver) and his MS in Geography from Oregon State University. He has presented at many conferences, including the Africa GIS Conference in Dakar, Senegal, the Australian Remote Sensing and Photogrammetry conference in Brisbane, Australia, and ESRI User Conferences in San Diego, California; Stockholm, Sweden; and Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Currently, Mr. Wood is the Director of Product Marketing at ITT Visual Information Solutions where he is responsible for the ENVI and IDL product strategy.

Matthew Cross has lived in the Denver metropolitan area for 15 years and has over 19 years of geospatial and remote sensing experience. Mr. Cross is employed by Michael Baker Jr., Inc. (Baker) as a Business Developer to help grow Baker's GIT service area in the Midwest and Western US, and works out of the Baker Lakewood/Denver office.

Before joining Baker he worked for Intermap Technologies, where he was Business Development Manager for the Western US, working with both Civil and Defense Federal Agencies. Mr. Cross also has engaged in many domestic and international activities while working for other aerospace firms, the University of Colorado, and the USGS. Mr. Cross has extensive experience in working with the US DoD. He has both a BS and an MS in Meteorology/Climatology (emphasis in Remote Sensing) from the University of Nebraska – Lincoln.

Job Postings!!!

The opportunities for networking, conferences, employment, training, grants and contracts are really picking up! If you haven't checked out the News & Events or Jobs pages on the RMR web site lately, what are you waiting for? These listings are updated frequently, so keep an eye on them regularly!

Coming Events

The International Lidar Mapping Forum (ILMF) will be held in Denver 21-22 February 2008. Visits to the Exhibit Hall only are free of charge. Ten workshops are available for different levels of familiarity with and interest in lidar. The conference program includes papers and work-in-progress reports on all aspects of airborne and bathymetric lidar, with particular emphasis on the key commercial and technical issues facing the industry. An icebreaker social on 20 February will give Colorado residents an opportunity to welcome attendees from around the world.

2008 ASPRS Annual Meeting will be **27 April - 2 May 2008** in Portland, Oregon. The conference theme "Bridging the Horizons - New Frontiers in Geospatial Collaboration" will offer general and technical sessions looking to the future of the geospatial industry.

See the RMR website for officer contact information http://www.asprs-rmr.org/officers.html

and late-breaking news http://www.asprs-rmr.org/news.html

ANNUAL BALLOT

Election of ASPRS-RMR Officers for 2008

For each office, vote for only one person. Mark an "X" to select nominated candidate or add write-in candidate of your choice.

| Office of President | |
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| Victoria Provenza | write-in |
| Office of Vice-President | |
| Trent Casi | write-in |
| Office of Secretary | |
| Shaun Callaghan | write-in |
| Office of Treasurer | |
| Linda Meyer | write-in |
| Office of Regional Director ("GIS in the Rockies" Committee – 2 year) | |
| Kendall Rhodes | write-in |
| Office of Regional Director ("GIS in the Rockies" Committee – 1 year)* | |
| Sharolyn Anderson | write-in |
| Office of Regional Director (Communications/Newsletter – 2 year) | |
| Matt Wood | write-in |
| Office of Regional Director (General – 2 year) | |
| Matt Cross | write-in |
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| *Regional Director ("GIS in the Rockies" Committee): Term has one ye early by Matt Wood. | ear remaining, but is being vacated |
| Note: No vote is required for the following positions: | |

Past President: Terry Ryan (2007 President of RMR)

National Director: Allen Cook (3 year term, 1 year remaining)

Regional Director (At-Large): Rick Lawrence (2 year term, 1 year remaining)

You may vote by email or printed ballot. An email ballot will be sent to all Region members in good standing. To vote by email, use "Reply" to respond to that message. To use this ballot, print it out and mail completed ballot postmarked no later than 9 January 2008 to:

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