



President's Message

There are some interesting examples of fusing news and geospatial information popping up on the web. Be sure to check out NewsGlobe from Yahoo! at <http://next.yahoo.net/download/newsglobe/index.html>, a 3-D representation of the globe with links corresponding to news events and where they occurred is shown in a browser environment. For you educators out there, this would be a great application to show students following current events.

You may wish to grab your favorite mapping tool to attend some interesting events upcoming in the region this Spring. On Wednesday February 27, CNY ASPRS and the New York State GIS Association will be sponsoring a meeting in the Albany area. Look for details in this newsletter. There will be a feature presentation by TerraGo.

On Tuesday, March 11, CNY ASPRS and IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society (GRSS) will have a meeting at the headquarters of Pictometry in the Rochester Area. Pictometry CTO, Steve Schultz will have a talk on some of the major hurdles solved, both hardware and software in Pictometry's effort to create a massive database of oblique imagery covering 70% of the US population. Specific topics discussed will include camera and lens design, demosaic algorithms, and specular reflection color balancing issues.

Finally, mark your calendars for May 19th in Syracuse at ESF where CNY ASPRS and GRSS will conduct our annual Remote Sensing Symposium. The keynote speaker will be upcoming National ASPRS President Kass Green.

Patrick O'Shaughnessy.

John Boland

National Director – Elect

The nominating committee and the secretary have confirmed that John Boland has been elected as the next CNY Region's National Director. John will be installed as National Director at the National meeting in May. Congratulations John!

Nominations for 2008 Region Officers

The year has gone by so fast! It is that time again. The CNY Region of ASPRS is soliciting nominations for the Region offices of **Vice-President** and **Secretary/Treasurer**. Nominations may be submitted on behalf of others or by the nominees themselves.

Serving as a Region officer is a very practical and rewarding way to become actively involved in ASPRS. It is also a chance to shape the direction of what is, after all, your professional organization. Nominations for consideration by the committee will be accepted through March 31, 2008.

Additional nominations may be made by a written petition signed by five (5) members in good standing forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer by April 11. Nominees will be asked to submit short statements explaining their background and why they wish to serve. Please consider it!

For further details on these offices and the other Region offices and activities, contact the Nominations Committee Chair, (315) 470-4727, or liquack@esf.edu.

Lindi Quackenbush
Chair, ASPRS CNY Region
2007-2008 Nominating Committee

**Remote Sensing Symposium
May 19, 2008**

**Student of the Year Application
Available soon**

Joint Meeting with NYS GIS Association!

Wednesday, February 27th, 2008 (9:30-12:30)
74 State "A Clarion Collection Hotel",
74 State Street, Albany

Agenda

- 9:30 – 9:45 Introductions, All
9:45 – 10:00 **ASPRS Business Meeting**
10:00 – 10:45 New York State Office of Cyber Security and Critical Infrastructure Committee
Presentation - CIRIS, Bob Guehren
10:45 – 11:00 Break/Refreshments
11:00 – 11:30 NYS GIS Association Business Meeting
Treasurer's Report Business Development, Scott
Committee Education, Bob
Updates Regional, Larry
Legislative, Sam Private Sector Advisory Group
Marketing, Bruce Update, Austin Fisher
11:30 – 11:40 NYS Strategic Business Plan Update–
Frank Winters, CSCIC
11:40 – 12:15 Vendor Presentation – TerraGo Technologies
12:15 – 12:30 Concluding Remarks/Open Discussion



To register, please contact Sheri Norton nortons@co.warren.ny.us

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Joint Meeting with IEEE!

The IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Society Western New York Chapter and the American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Central New York Region

Present a technical seminar

Pictometry International Corp.



Stephen Schultz
Chief Technology Officer
Pictometry International Corp.

Tuesday, March 11, 2008

Pictometry International, 100 Town Centre Dr, Suite A, Rochester, NY

Pizza and soda provided at 5:30 pm

Meeting and Presentation at 6 pm

Abstract

Pictometry's oblique metric image capture and processing system can produce over one-million images a day and has captured 70% of the populated United States in the past two years. Many unique technical challenges had to be overcome to achieve these numbers and still more lie ahead. This talk will discuss some of the major hurdles solved; both hardware and software, and some that are still being solved. Specific topics discussed will include camera and lens design, demosaic algorithms, and specular reflection color balancing issues.

Speaker Biography

Stephen L. Schultz, Chief Technical Officer and co-founder of Pictometry International, provided the original concept and design of the company's software (Electronic Field Study), image capture, and processing technologies. He oversees and is responsible for all the technological output of Pictometry.

Formerly working at the Chester F. Carlson Center for Imaging Science at RIT, Mr. Schultz has worked in imaging science since 1984, and has been designing and engineering software systems since 1978. His specialties include direct geo-registration, remote sensing, synthetic image generation, frequency domain processing, irradiance calculations, and automated flight planning.

Mr. Schultz earned a Bachelor of Science in Computer Software Science from RIT, and later completed his coursework for a Master of Science in Computational Imaging Science. In 2007, RIT honored Mr. Schultz by naming him the Distinguished Alumnus for the B. Thomas Golisano College of Computing and Information Sciences.

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