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September Meeting

The River Valley GIS Users Group will meet on September 11, 2009 at 2:00 pm. We will be meeting at the Fort Smith Library Community Room.

Chad Hicks with NEI GPS will be showing us some of the latest and greatest GPS equipment available.

We also have exciting news to report about our GIS Day activities.

Hope to see you there.



We want to hear from you. Submit a story for the newsletter.

Newsletter

River Valley GIS Users Group

August 15, 2009

River Valley GIS Users Group August Meeting

The RVGIS Users Group met on August 7, 2009 at the Fort Smith Library. A presentation on Manifold GIS was given by Eric Andelin with Aerial Data Services. We want to thank Eric for coming to speak to our group.

There was also a discussion of the current GIS degree options at University of Arkansas at Fort Smith. Group members are working with Dr. Argie Nichols to support and create GIS courses to include in their GIS degree. If you have comments or are interested in helping with this, please contact Brad Baldwin at bbaldwin@vanburencity.org

GIS Day Committee Report

The GIS Day committee has been working very hard to put together GIS Day activities for area high school students. We are visiting with schools now and inviting their students to join us. We are also contacting sponsors. If you have any ideas or comments for the committee, please contact Tina Thompson at tthompson@wapdd.org

River Valley GIS Users Group selects logo

Congratulations to Shannon Scott for submitting the winning logo. Shannon's submission was chosen at the August users group meeting. The logo will be used on the GIS Day t-shirts, the River Valley GIS Users Group website, etc.



River Valley GIS Users Group's winning logo.

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Special points of interest:

- GIS Day is November 18, 2009

VOLUNTEER

We are looking for volunteers to help with GIS Day 2009 activities. GIS Day is on November 18. Volunteer and show your support for GIS. To volunteer please contact: Tina Thompson at tthompson@wapdd.org (479)785-2651 or Wes Cleland at wcleland@vanburencity.org (479)471-5025.

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30			

Schedule of Events

- **September 1, 2009** - AGIO Strategic Business Plan Workshop
- **September 7, 2009** - Labor Day
- **September 11, 2009** - River Valley GIS Users Group Meeting.

Upcoming Conferences/GIS Events

**Arkansas GIS Users Forum
Tenth Biennial
Symposium & Training**

A Spatial Quest: 20 Years of Mapping the Natural State
Early Registration and Group Discounts End September 10

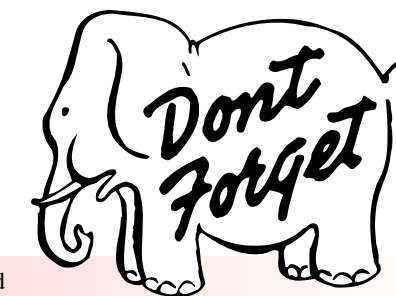
2009 Conference dates: October 28th, 29th, and 30th
Pre-Symposium Workshops: Tuesday, October 27th



State AGIO Strategic Business Plan workshop set for Fort Smith

The State AGIO has scheduled a Strategic Business Plan workshop for the Fort Smith area. The Workshop is scheduled for September 1, 2009. Registration is required at no cost. You can register at www.gis.arkansas.gov/BusinessPlan.html

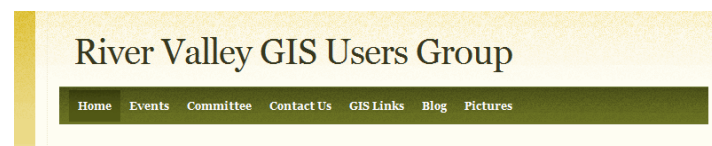
Hope to see you there.



A vital part of this project is obtaining input and ideas from Arkansas' vibrant geospatial community. Whether you are in the public or private sectors, or in state, local or county government, we want and need you to be a part of this process.

River Valley GIS Users Group announces website

The RVGISUG has a website. The address is www.rivervalleygisug.weebly.com. We are using a free website at this time and if everything works out we will buy the domain name. Please take a look and submit any comments, suggestions, etc. to Tina Thompson at tthompson@wapdd.org



Clip from website home page

Wes and Jessica Cleland welcome home baby girl

Please join us in congratulating Wes and Jessica Cleland on the birth of their daughter, Zowie Marie. She was born August 14, 2009 at 6:38 pm. She weighed 7 lbs 4 oz and is 19 in. long



Congratulations Wes! Best wishes to you and your family.