## Message from the President By: Chris Iott

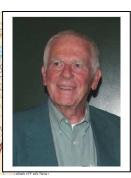
Since our last newsletter was published, TSPE members have met with the UT student chapter of TSPE for a panel discussion regarding the importance of becoming a PE, as well as enjoyed dinner with a presentation about the survey and founding of Perrysburg, Ohio. We look forward to meeting with additional TSPE members in the upcoming months at

events such as the annual financial overview meeting in January, a FREE UT Lady Rockets basketball game for TSPE members and their immediate family in January, as well as Engineers Week in February. More information is provided below. Also look for an upcoming email regarding the Imagine Engineering program coming January/February for Second Grade students.

### The Survey and Founding of Perrysburg, Ohio By: Chett Siefring

TSPE welcomed Mr. Gary Franks to the Toledo Club on November 10, 2016 to provide an entertaining and informative presentation regarding the early days of Perrysburg, Ohio. Mr. Franks discussed the methods used for surveying, as well as difficulties with confirmation of initial survey data due to references along the meandering Maumee River and missing or dilapidated markers (much of the area was heavily wooded). He also addressed historical documents referencing famous surveyors, some of which were involved with survey of Perrysburg, Ohio; and some of which were only rumored to have surveyed Perrysburg.





Map: USGS

# Legislative Update

At the close of the 131<sup>st</sup> Ohio General Assembly, the OSPE Legislative & Government Affairs Committee has a new victory to report - House Bill 236 will soon be on its way to Governor John Kasich. This measure requires two hours of ethics or rules education for Ohio's professional engineers and surveyors as part of the 30-hour requirement for biennial registration renewal. In addition, the close of session brought the demise of House Bill 214 (piping materials selection),

which OSPE has been fighting. This bill would have eroded the PE's autonomy in specifying the type of pipe material. Our vigilance is important, as similar legislation could be reintroduced in the new year. Over the holiday break, OSPE will continue its work to educate regulatory boards about the hazards of a draft bill on incidental practice that would allow landscape architects to practice engineering. The draft language could allow landscape architects to perform engineering including drainage, retaining walls, etc.

# **Upcoming TSPE Events**

FREE Family Event for TSPE members and their immediate family:

UT Lady Rockets Basketball Game vs Northern Illinois

January 14, 2017 (Saturday) at University of Toledo, Game Time: 2:00 PM

Registration Deadline: Noon on December 23, 2016

Email Chett Siefring at csiefring@ttlassoc.com if you did not receive the email notice.

Annual Panel Discussion: "Financial Overview"

Panelists: Phillip Bollin (Bollin Wealth Management), Chuck Hoecherl (First Federal Bank), and H.T. Williams (Key Recruiting)

January 18, 2017 at UT Engineering College Brady Innovation Center (adjoining Nitschke Hall)

12:00PM Lunch; 12:30-1:15PM Program TSPE Member: \$20, Nonmember: \$25

Registration Deadline: Noon on January 11, 2017

Email Chett Siefring at csiefring@ttlassoc.com if you did not receive the email notice.

MATHCOUNTS: February 4, 2017 (UT College of Engineering)

Engineers Week: Engineer of the Year Luncheon: February 20, 2017 (Parkway Place, Maumee, Ohio)

Engineer for a Day: February 21, 2017 (UT College of Engineering)

Engineers Week Banquet: February 23, 2017 (Parkway Place, Maumee, Ohio)

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