



LA URISA: "NEWS YOU CAN USE"

October 2017 Newsletter

Upcoming Events:

LaURISA is excited to have **Dr. Whitney Broussard** present at the **October Lunch & Learn** series on **Thursday, October 12th**. Dr. Broussard will present a case study operating an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) to record multispectral data in order to better understand coastal marsh changes in Terrebonne Parish. The Lunch & Learn will be held at the **Bluebonnet Library**, in **Baton Rouge** from **1130a to 1p**. More information and registration can be found [here](#).

'Mappy Hour' Socials will be held **Thursday, October 19**, from **5:30-7:30p** at the Bulldog in Baton Rouge, and Mid-City Yacht Club in New Orleans. We hope to see you there!

The **2017 GIS Pro Conference** will be held **October 23-26 in Jacksonville, FL**. Participants will share best practices for GIS management and leadership, professional development, certification, and much more. Click [here](#) for more info. Need a ride? A group of LAURISA members is getting together to carpool to Jacksonville, FL. If you are staying within a mile of the conference, contact Liz Lowe, LaURISA's Events Coordinator, at LouisianaChapterURISA@gmail.com. She is renting a car and is wondering if anyone would like to split the cost.

The **Joint Professional Societies Fall Social** will start at 530p on **Thursday, October 26** at Bayou Beer Garden in New Orleans. Groups in attendance will include the CMAA, ASCE, APWA, SAME, WTS, SMPS, and LaURISA. Come out and hone those networking skills while enjoying the outdoor patio at BBG.

The **2017 LaURISA Member Appreciation Meeting** will be held **Thursday, November 16** at the **Goodwood Library in Baton Rouge** from **11a-1230p**. As a thank you to all our supporting members, we will serve lunch and have free give aways. Come out, catch up, and get you some LaURISA merch to show off!



Other Items of Importance:

GISCI Releases Practice Exam 8/3/17 (GIS Certification Institute) - GISCI has produced its first Practice Exam, designed to provide 50 sample questions based on most of the KSAs listed in our Exam Blueprint. The practice exam is available for download [here](#). We hope that this will be the first of several practice exams GISCI will provide to assist exam candidates in adequately preparing to sit for the Geospatial Core Technical Knowledge Exam. And be sure to come to GIS-Pro 2017 Conference in Jacksonville FL in October for a full track focused on GISP Exam prep!

Latest URISA Digest – Read about all the activity happening for URISA Members [here](#). Shouldn't you be a URISA member too?

The Data Center is currently advertising a Data Analyst position. Please find additional information [here](#).
