



*I have renewed hope – hope that summer is on its way. The sun is shining, it's in the above zero range of temperature and I'm finding that people are friendlier. No longer are the days of people violently running you over on the sidewalk, unable to see you because of the hoods, scarves and other protective gear that we're forced to wear so that exposed skin doesn't freeze in under 10 seconds. Yes, friends, summer is coming. I have hope.*

Have a great month!

PS. Here's to another successful CSEG convention. Have fun and be nice!

If you have any company news, please send me an email at [gina.schiltz@ihs.com](mailto:gina.schiltz@ihs.com) or call me at 770-4450. Thanks!

## 2007 CSPG CSEG Convention

### Let it Flow: The Flow of Ideas, Hydrocarbons and Business

Here's a reminder that this year's Convention is May 14 – 17<sup>th</sup> at the Roundup Centre, Stampede Park.

Early Bird Registration Deadline is April 13, 2007 and Regular Registration Deadline is April 27. Please visit the website to get more information on registration, exhibiting and sponsoring.

[www.geoconvention.org](http://www.geoconvention.org)

### Valtus Imagery Services

Valtus Imagery Services announces the immediate availability of an additional 3 US States at 1 meter resolution and Texas at 2 meter resolution. The natural color data of Nevada, Utah and Wyoming was flown in 2006. Valtus has also acquired and made available worldwide 15-meter coverage.

All Valtus Data is available through both VIEWS and VISTA. VIEWS (Valtus Imagery Enhanced Web Service) provides instant, secure access to an extensive library of imagery that can be seamlessly integrated into mapping applications and geographic information systems. VISTA (Valtus Imagery Services Terrain Archives) is a convenient online solution ([www.valtus.com](http://www.valtus.com)) for users who require immediate access to downloadable, georeferenced mapping data. Valtus also stores, manages and seamlessly integrates customer owned data with our public database.

"This new data and our relationships with a large number of aerial and satellite data providers will enable us to continue bringing the high level of service our customers have come to expect. We are aggressively acquiring and building our global content because of demands from our customers", says Kenyon Waugh, chief strategy officer. "These 4 additional states represent a doubling of Valtus coverage in the United States to eight full western states."

Collected in 2006 as part of North West Geomatic's USDA NAIP program, this data represents the continued growth of

NAIP and NAIP related data sets that will be available on-line through Valtus Imagery Services. North West and its partners EarthData and Horizons, are the leading providers of NAIP imagery to the USDA. The 15 meter NaturalVue coverage is provided by Valtus partner MDA Federal.

### Friends of Science – UPDATE

**\*\*Please note the date has changed to Thursday, May 17, 2007.**

The Friends of Science is holding a very special Luncheon Event with guest speaker R. Tim Patterson, PhD, Professor and Director Ottawa-Carleton Geoscience Centre.

*"The Sun as the Primary Driver of Climate Change?"*

Date and Time: Thursday, May 17, 2007 at 11:30 am

Where: Metropolitan Conference Centre  
333, 4th Avenue SW Calgary, AB  
Advance Tickets are \$50

Phone: 403-236-4203

Email: [fos@telus.net](mailto:fos@telus.net)

For more information on the event or the non-profit group Friends of Science, please visit their website at [www.friendsofscience.org](http://www.friendsofscience.org)

### CSEG 2007 Family Ski Spree

The 2007 CSEG Family Ski Spree organizing committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the attendees and the sponsors for their generous support in making the 2007 Family Ski Spree a huge success! This year's ski spree was held at the Fairmont Hot Springs, February 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>.

Kids and adults enjoyed the variety of events including the Downhill and Snowboard Races, Kids Obstacle course, Scavenger and Snow Snake Hunt. Kids of all ages enjoyed the awards banquet where prizes were handed out for event participation, while the adults enjoyed the Grande Prix, Après Ski and Late Night celebrations. All this fun was capped off by the beautiful scenery and of course the Hot Springs!

Once again, the event was a complete sell out and was attended by 386 participants. All this fun was possible due to



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the generous sponsorship contributions from 45 different companies including 14 new or returning sponsors for 2007. We would also like to thank the many individuals who volunteer their time year after year both at the event and in the preparation ahead of time. We are always in need of more volunteers, so if you are interested in getting involved please contact the CSEG office.



Here are some pictures for you to enjoy!

Planning for the 2008 Ski Spree will begin soon and the committee hopes that you will continue to support the Family Ski Spree. We look forward to seeing you in 2008! *R*

