

# Another Happy Carlson Customer

Here is a great story about another customer of mine, John Prevette with Gooden & Associates out of Hope Mills, NC, and his successful transition from Civil 3d to Carlson Civil Suite.

<http://info.carlsonsw.com/blog-1/bid/121528/Moving-to-Carlson-from-Civil-3D>

And, I know what you're thinking but the answer is "No." Carlson did not pay him to say this – I asked just to make sure! In all seriousness, it's great he was willing to be interviewed and confirm just how great a design tool Carlson is and just how quickly you're able to get up to speed.

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## Carlson's New Supervisor+ GPS Tablet

Many of you saw Carlson's new Supervisor+ GPS tablet at our workshops last November and December but it's just now being officially rolled out...

Come by our booth at the NC and SC Surveyor's Conventions in the next couple weeks and give it a test drive.

Read the specifications [here](#)



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## Carlson 2012 Updates

You can download the most recent updates to Carlson's 2012 desktop software [HERE](#)

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# **End of Year Workshops – Statesville, Asheville, Wilmington and Raleigh NC**

We are finally able to announce our end of year workshops for 2011. With the weather problems we encountered last year we decided to hold the events in the western end of North Carolina in November and toward the coast in December.

The cost to attend each event is \$99 and lunch is included. See below for early bird registration details for each event. NC Licensed Surveyors and Engineers will receive 8 PDH credits and all attendees will receive a certificate confirming their attendance. We will have door prizes, software giveaways and **special software or hardware pricing that is available the day of the show only.**

We will be in Statesville on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and Asheville on Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup>. Early bird registration is \$89 through September 30<sup>th</sup>.

We will be in Wilmington on Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Raleigh on Thursday December 15<sup>th</sup>. Early bird registration is \$89 through October 31<sup>st</sup>.

You will be able to choose the sessions you wish to attend. This year's sessions include:

- **GIS from A to Z and Responding to GIS-related RFPs**  
presented by Janet Jackson (GIS Janet) of Intersect
- **Overview of Carlson Takeoff & Preparing Machine Control Data**  
presented by Todd Carlson of Carlson Software
- **Intro to SurvNet & Least Squares**  
presented by Donnie Stallings, the original developer of the product
- **CAD Standards Roundtable & Discussion**  
presented by Jennifer DiBona, That CAD Girl
- **CAD Tips & Tricks** and hints for sharing data with others  
presented by Jennifer DiBona, That CAD Girl
- **Overview of Carlson Software 2012** (Survey, Civil, Hydro, GIS, Point Clouds)  
presented by Scott Griffin of Carlson Software
- **Field to Finish with Carlson Survey & SurvCE and the Surveyor+ GPS System**  
presented by Butch Herter of Carlson Software and Jeremy Taylor
- **Preview of future Carlson hardware**  
presented by Butch Herter of Carlson Software and Jeremy Taylor
- **Road Design and Site Design with Carlson Civil & Hydrology**  
presented by Scott Griffin of Carlson Software

Note that all classes are not scheduled at all events and locations. See each workshop announcement for specifics. Seats are limited so register online, call 919.417.8351 or email us to register.

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# Upcoming Regional Training Classes – Columbus OH, Raleigh NC, Atlanta and Baltimore

After many requests to hold training classes in different areas of the country, I've finally managed to schedule a few dates. The classes are 8 hours of hands-on training and seats are limited. Registration deadlines and pre-requisites vary for each class – Click the link below for the class announcement.

Classes include Intro to Survey, Surface Modeling, Least Squares/SurvNet, Quantity Takeoffs and Drawing Prep for Surface Modeling among others.

Call 919.417.8351 or [ContactUs@thatcadgirl.com](mailto:ContactUs@thatcadgirl.com) to register.

- May 2-3 – Columbus, Ohio
- May 16-18 – Raleigh, North Carolina
- May 23-25 – Atlanta, Georgia
- June 1-2 – Raleigh, North Carolina
- June 14-16 – Baltimore, Maryland

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## 2 Day, Hands On Training Classes: \$249-\$349

All classes listed below will be held at the Hampton Inn on Hampton Woods Lane in Raleigh, NC. Lunch will be provided and NC licensed Land Surveyors and Engineers will receive PDH credit

hours for attending. A certificate will be provided to everyone completing the training and may be used for PDH credit in other states.

Registration for all classes is limited to 10 people – please call us at 919.417.8351 to register.

**Intro to Carlson with a CAD Refresher, \$249      July 12-13, 2010**

This class will focus on the basics of Carlson Software along with a review of some IntelliCAD and AutoCAD features that will assist you when working with Carlson Software. Please [click here](#) for pre-requisites and more details or download a PDF with agenda and directions [here](#).

**Surface Modeling with Carlson Software, \$249      July 26-27 or Aug 23-24, 2010**

This class will start with an introductory lesson on existing ground surface modeling and will then move to proposed surface modeling techniques including modeling for site and subdivision design, ponds, retaining walls and multi-level building pads. Please [click here](#) for pre-requisites and more details or download a PDF with agenda and directions for July 26-27 or Aug 23-24 [here](#).

**My Field to Finish, \$349      Aug 16-17, 2010**

This class will provide an overview of Carlson's Field to Finish feature and will provide each attendee with time to create a standard field to finish code file (.fld file) to be used in his or her office. We will also cover the creation of block libraries and custom linetypes that can be assigned to field codes. In order to ensure that each attendee is prepared for and brings the content needed for the class, a one hour pre-training session will be held online approximately 2-3 weeks before the

class. Please [click here](#) for pre-requisites and more details or download a PDF with agenda and directions [here](#).

**My Company Standards, \$349      Sept 20-21, 2010**

This class provides training and guidance to help you create a comprehensive CAD standard for your company. We will cover standard layers, linetypes, pen weights, text styles, blocks and title blocks. A more detailed list and description of needed content will be provided after registration. In order to ensure that each attendee is prepared for and brings the content needed for the class, a one hour pre-training session will be held online approximately 2-3 weeks before the class. Please [click here](#) for pre-requisites and more details or download a PDF with agenda and directions [here](#).

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## What is Carlson up to?

This is a good article about Bruce Carlson and where Carlson Software is planning to go in the future...

Independence All the Way

Originally posted on **Carlson Connection** by Jennifer Dibona

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## Carlson Point Cloud

It's time to take another look at Carlson Point Cloud.

Carlson's Point Cloud program has been re-vamped with many powerful and exciting new features giving those folks struggling to process data generated from laser scanners the ability to process up to 1 billion points.

Carlson Point Cloud is even more valuable to land surveying, civil engineering and mining professionals because of its seamless integration with Carlson Survey, Carlson Civil and Carlson Mining.

With the new and improved Point Cloud program, your scan can be oriented to a local coordinate system and clouds can be "cleaned" to filter and thin out duplicate points. You also have the ability to snap to edges and code points for use with the Field to Finish feature of Carlson Survey. This allows you to define more accurate breaklines and create better surface models for generating contours, profiles & cross sections in Carlson Civil.

Read more about Point Cloud by clicking [here](#). There are also several new 5 minute videos demonstrating the functionality of this program available [here](#).

See key features of Carlson Point Cloud 2010

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## Carlson Software Manuals

Looking for Carlson Software manuals? Prior to the 2010 release, Carlson included printed manuals with your purchase and, in addition, the manuals have always been available to print for yourself from the Help files.

With the 2010 release, Carlson “opened” a storefront on the self-publishing site called Lulu.com. You can order 2009 and 2010 Carlson Software manuals here <http://stores.lulu.com/carlsonsw>.

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