A Message For Minnesota's Geospatial Community

Thursday, October 27th, 6:00 p.m.
Metro Counties Government Center, 2099 University Ave. West, Saint Paul

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Meet the Man behind the Myth!
- Designed and implemented the first fully interactive vector-based GIS, the Map Overlay and Statisitical System (MOSS), 1977-1978.
- Lead engineer and a software developer for GenaMap, the worlds first interactive UNIX based commercial GIS.
- Former vice president of geospatial marketing at Intergraph Corporation
- 2009 recipient of the URISA GIS Hall of Fame award

What does "Open" mean? Not just royalty-free or free of patent restrictions – it includes open dialog with many organizations and users, in a community that includes **everyone who uses maps**. The OGC has expanded its focus past essential tech standards, and is now looking towards domains of interest. New kinds of standards are coming that are semantically rich. Information models like those used in transportation, aeronautics, or hydrology, are encoding-neutral. Location is hot right now, and changing quickly – there are 12-15 other standards organizations that include some location element.

Make sure you have a place at this event -
click here to get a ticket or go to **tinyurl.com/44zobzx**

This is a unique opportunity to hear from a thought leader who oversees worldwide efforts to further the sharing and use of geospatial information.