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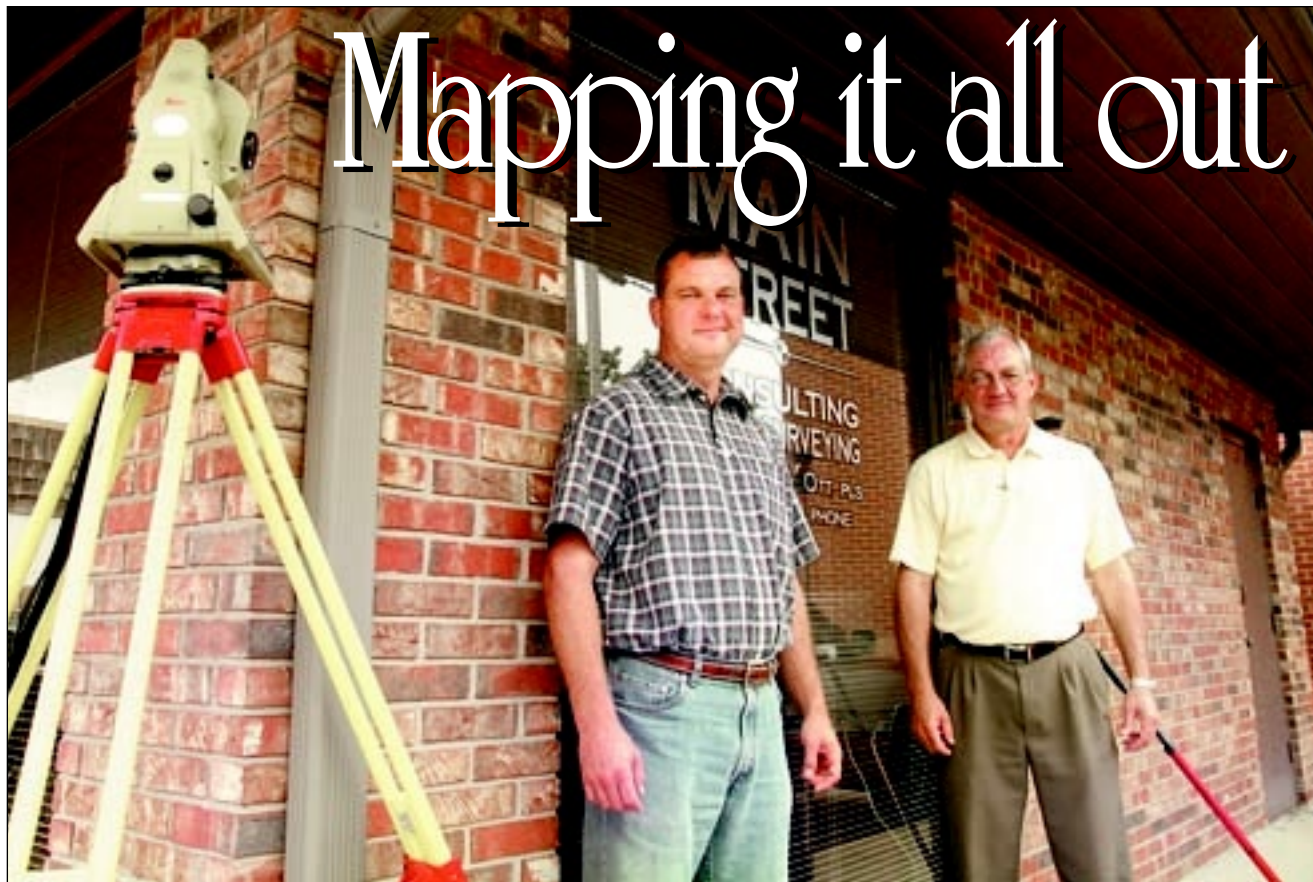


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Mapping it all out

Brad Ott, left, and his father, Jerry Ott, run Main Street Consulting, Land Surveying and Engineering in Franklin. Below: Brad and Jerry Ott study a plat map for a new subdivision in Johnson County.

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Father, son survey the landscape at Franklin business



Since 1835, the Ott family has made its living off of the land on a Noble County farm. Jerry Ott still makes his living off the land, but he's not a farmer. He's a civil engineer.

He and his son, Brad, own and operate Main Street Consulting, Land Surveying and Engineering in downtown Franklin.

STORY & PHOTOS BY AMY MAY

Jerry Ott was the first member of his family to leave the farm, which is the oldest continuous farm in Noble County, and go to college.

After graduating from Purdue University, he moved to Franklin for a job in 1977 and has lived there ever since.

His son, Brad, also a Purdue graduate, grew up with a plumb bob in his hands and followed in his dad's career choice.

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A plumb bob is a small weight used to determine a line that runs

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