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DR. IVOR ELLUL
2015 - 2016 SPE-GCS Chair

The SPE Gulf Coast Chapter extends a warm welcome to our new chair, Dr. Ivor Ellul! We caught up with Ivor before he left for vacation to learn a little bit about who he is, and what we can expect in the coming year. We thought we'd introduce him by sharing part of our conversation:

Connect: Let's start with something easy. Where are you originally from, and how did you wind up in Houston, Texas?

Ivor: I was born on the island of Malta and spent my first few years in Khartoum, Sudan, where my father worked as a naval architect and marine engineer building steamships that sailed on the Nile. After graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Malta, I spent a year working in West Germany before deciding to pursue a Masters degree in Petroleum Engineering at Imperial College in London. After that, I worked another two years in North Africa before the education bug bit me again, and I went back to London to study for my PhD, also in PE. When I finished in 1988, I joined Scientific Software-Intercomp in London and eventually transferred to Houston in 1991.

Connect: You bring a lengthy and diverse set of work experiences to the Chair's position. Do you have a career achievement about which you are especially proud?

Ivor: There are a few. From a business perspective, founding and building a company like Knowledge Reservoir ranks pretty high on the list. From a technical perspective, serving as an expert witness on the 1989 public enquiry into the Piper Alpha disaster was especially challenging but certainly rewarding.

Connect: Tell us about your previous involvement in SPE, either here in the Gulf Coast Section or elsewhere. How has it influenced you professionally?

Ivor: I was fortunate enough to benefit from the SPE's philanthropy in London when I won the Regional Student Paper Contest and was subsequently awarded a couple of SPE scholarships. That support motivated me to want to give back to SPE. I chaired the GCS Web Committee a number of years back, and then served on the SPE.org board during a period when major rebuilding and associated investment was taking place. Much of the current website and web infrastructure is a result of our activities at the time. I also served as Knowledge Management editor on the Journal of Petroleum Technology (JPT) for a few years and derived great satisfaction in developing the annual editorials that came out in October. When Mike Strathman called me and asked whether I was interested in getting back into the fray, I literally jumped at the occasion.

Connect: What are some of the ways you see that SPE-GCS is poised to support its members through this transition time, when companies are reprioritizing and the workforce is having to adjust accordingly?

Ivor: Transition—our industry is always in transition. If it is not chasing oil up to three digit dollars per barrel, then it is riding it down to the low two digits. I have witnessed a number of these cycles during the course of my career and, no doubt, there will continue to be more. The SPE in general, and the GCS in particular, can provide a tremendous degree of support in two key areas. One is enhancing the ability to network at times when making new connections is important. Another is the continuing dissemination of technology, which is, after all, the *raison d'être* of the society as a whole. We have multiple vehicles within the GCS that provide venues for networking including the rapidly evolving realm of social networking. The Study Groups, on the other hand, cater to a wide spectrum of business and technical interests.

Connect: Is there anything you'd like people to know about you personally? What do you get excited about outside of work? Are you a sports enthusiast? Patron of the arts? Master of polka dancing?

Ivor: I am fairly active in racquet sports like squash and tennis although it seems that squash players are a dying breed! I must admit to having a slight penchant for fast-ish cars having owned a couple of 911s and currently drive a DB9. I would also say that I am a bit of a closet architect and am happy to support my wife's habit of remodeling every house that we live in.

Connect: Since you're not a native Texan, what do you think makes Houston and the Gulf Coast area such a great place to live and work? How do you describe Texas to friends or family who have never been here?

Ivor: If you are in oil and gas, Houston is the place to be, bar none. The city is wonderfully located within easy driving reach of many recreational locations in Texas and within short flying times to the Caribbean and other great resort areas. Coming from Europe, the expanse never ceases to amaze me, coupled with the tremendous variety of landscapes across the state. I have used the description "a country within a state" many times and think it is still quite appropriate.

We look forward to hearing more from Ivor in September. In the meantime, please feel free to send him an email to welcome him to 'the chair.'

Email questions or comments for Dr. Ivor Ellul to: iellul@ciskventures.com

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 20TH / 7:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

Location **SPE HOUSTON OFFICE**

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT PAVITRA SAINANI

	6.2015		5.2015	
SPE-GCS MEMBERS	TOTAL	YP	TOTAL	YP
New Members	117	53	150	68
Transferred to Section	9	5	4	1
Unpaid	3,417	1,267	3,523	1,303

STUDENT MEMBERS	PAID	UNPAID	PAID	UNPAID
Texas A&M	1,231	190	1,222	198
Rice	77	15	76	15
HCC	148	34	144	34
UH	457	112	455	114
Total	1,963	359	1,945	369

Total Paid/Unpaid	17,455	3,776	17,137	3,892
% Paid	82.2%		81.5%	

This month SPE Gulf Coast Section is delighted to recognize Pavitra Sainani as the Volunteer of the month. She has been involved in numerous volunteer activities for the Gulf Coast Section since 2012.

She is the current chair for the SPE-GCS Young Professionals Committee and secretary of the HSSE-SR Committee. In prior years she was the Networking Chair, Professional Events Chair, and Vice Chair for the SPE-GCS YP group.

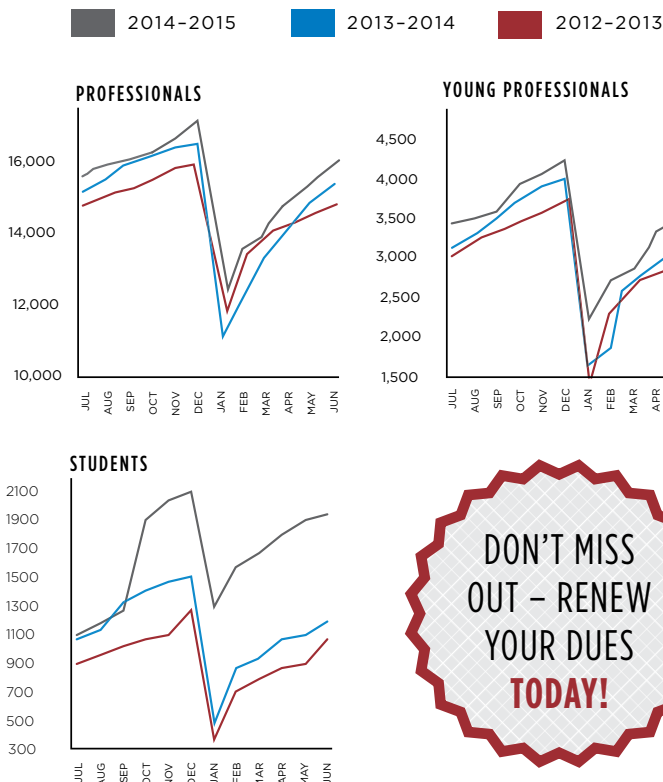
In 2015, Pavitra received the SPE-GCS Service Award.

Pavitra graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering from Texas A&M University in 2010 and started her career with ExxonMobil as a Project Engineer. In 2012, she became a Facilities Computing Engineer for ExxonMobil Development Company, where she provides application & workflow consulting for about 500 engineers across the Facilities, Marine, Subsea & Pipelines, Development Planning, and Project Services groups.

She is also heavily involved in the Upstream Women's Interest Network (Volunteer Committee Chair, Book Club Chair) and Inclusion & Diversity Organizations at ExxonMobil.

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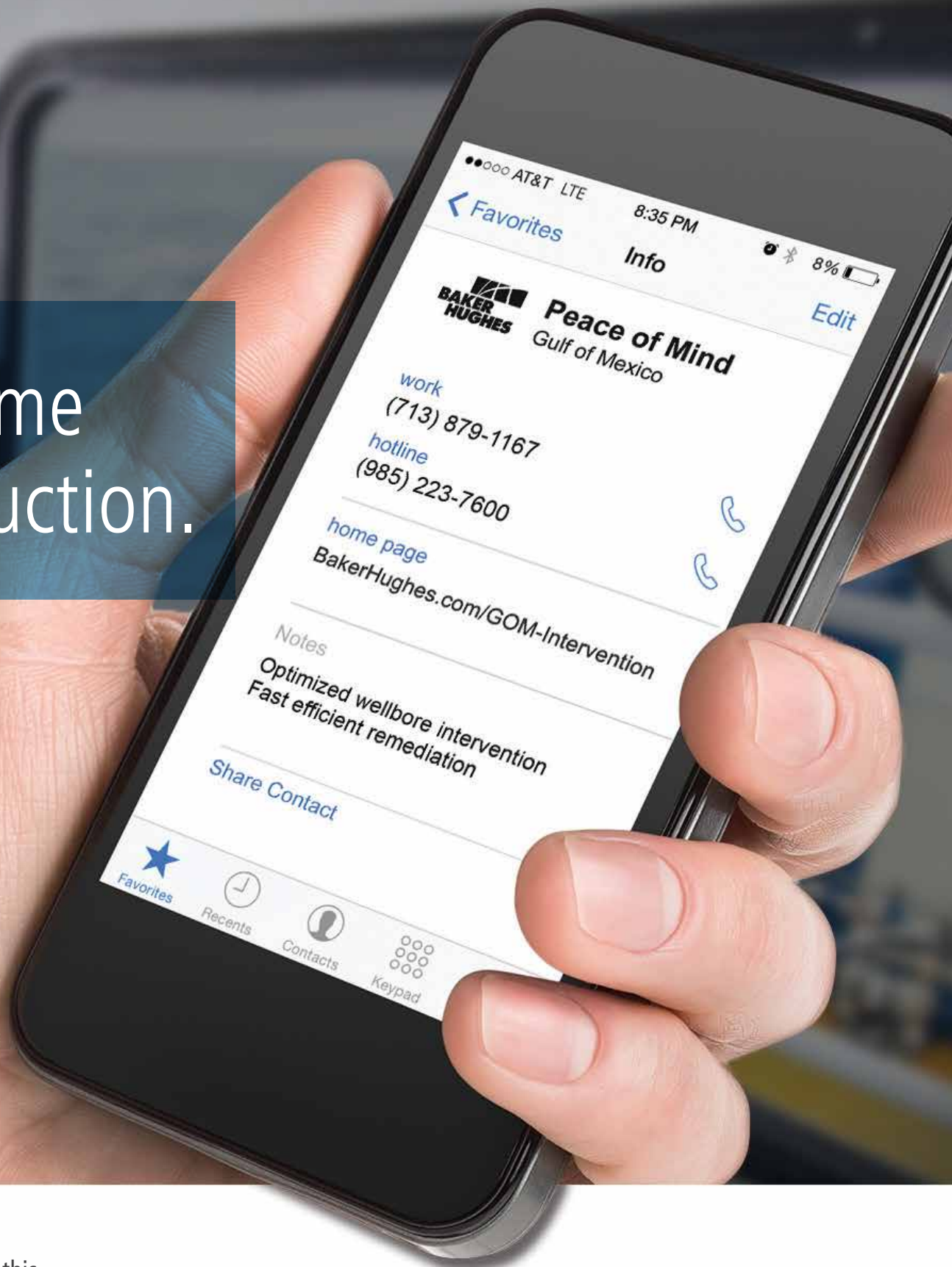
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What's on the Radar for 2015

It has been five years since the Deepwater Horizon blowout, which resulted in injuries, fatalities and the largest marine oil spill in the history of the petroleum industry. The Department of the Interior re-organized not only their department but also the agencies tasked with regulating offshore oil and gas leasing, exploration and development.

New drilling and safety requirements have been put in place and more are being proposed. This presentation will review some of the more substantial changes that have taken place, look at the increased enforcement program instituted by regulators, and discuss what's on the radar for Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) operators and lessees.

JODIE CONNOR



Jodie is the President of J. Connor Consulting, Inc. (JCC), a consulting firm specializing in the OCS regulatory process. JCC was formed in 1981 and assists operators with permitting and compliance. Approximately 80 employees assist over 100 operators with oil spill response planning, training and exercises.

EVENT INFO

Tuesday
8.25.15
11:30 AM TO 1:00 PM

SPEAKER
Jodie Connor
President
J. Connor Consulting, Inc.

LOCATION
Aramco Room
Petroleum Club of Houston
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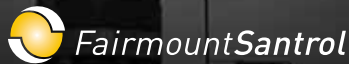
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SPE-GCS Business Development and Young Professionals Groups: 2015-16 Season Social Kickoff

The Business Development Study Group and Young Professionals Group are kicking off the 2015-16 season with our third annual joint social at Bovine and Barley downtown. Come out, enjoy great food and company and hear what the groups have planned for the season, including an update on the mentoring program. Whether you are starting off in the industry or are an experienced professional, this event is a chance to network with a diverse group of A&D, finance, engineering, geoscience and land professionals.

This event is \$10 and is limited to the first 150 registered guests, so register now to reserve your place. The registration fee includes food and entertainment. We hope to see you there!

Please contact Brittany Niles at brittany.niles@franksintl.com or Florence Derazey at florence.derazey@gmail.com with any questions about this event.

SPE-GCS BD Season Pass – Don't forget to lock in savings and be automatically pre-registered for all nine 2015-2016 events, INCLUDING the Kickoff Social. The Season Pass link at right will take you to a "faux" meeting; simply register as you would normally and you are in for the entire season!

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Wednesday
8.26.15

5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM

LOCATION

Bovine and Barley
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Houston, TX 77002

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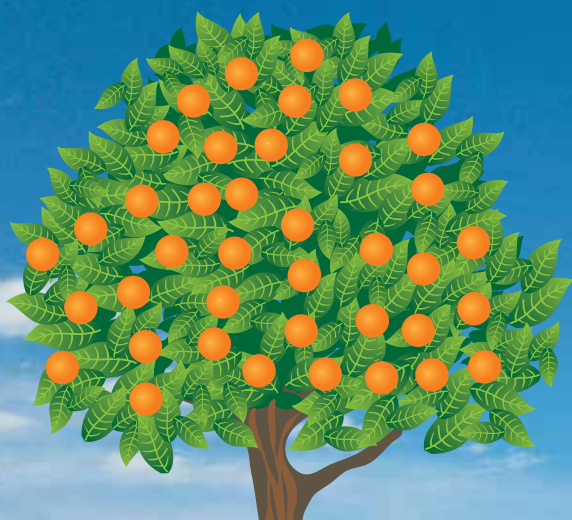
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Which segments of the water management value chain are being impacted the most and why? How are market conditions exacerbating requests for pricing concessions? Where has rig movement been concentrated? Can we expect to see consolidation in the market? How are operators adapting to the new market conditions and what does that mean for service companies? Has the cost of water treatment declined, and if so, which technologies are predominant and what are the trade-offs? How does new legislation such as Waters of the United States (WOTUS) Rule and the threat of more regulatory pressure impact the water management landscape? Find out the answers to these questions and more in our panel session, Water Management in a Down Market.

APRIL SHARR

Ms. April Sharr is the Business Development Manager for Water Management at Baker Hughes. Ms. Sharr began her career at Baker Hughes in 2009 as a Market Intelligence Analyst in the Global Strategy & Corporate Development group, where she focused on emerging global unconventional markets, pressure pumping, and water management. She frequently presents on the topic of water management at oil & gas industry conferences. She most recently presented Reducing Operational Costs in Fresh & Produced Water Treatment at the DUG Permian Basin 2015, sat on the Water Management for Hydraulic Fracturing panel at the SPE Oklahoma City Production & Operations Symposium, and ran a Water Use in Hydraulic Fracturing workshop for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Ms. Sharr is currently on the Board of Directors for the Women's Energy Network, a non-profit organization. She holds an MBA from Rice University with a concentration in Finance and Marketing, and a BBA from The University of Texas at Austin in Engineering Route to Business with a dual focus on Aerospace Engineering and Management Information Systems. Prior to joining Baker Hughes, Ms. Sharr held various business analytics and consulting roles at Dell, Crédit Agricole, PG&E, Deloitte & Touche, and SEER Technologies.



EVENT INFO

Wednesday
8.26.25

11:30 AM TO 1:00 PM

MODERATOR

April Sharr
Business Development Manager
Baker Hughes

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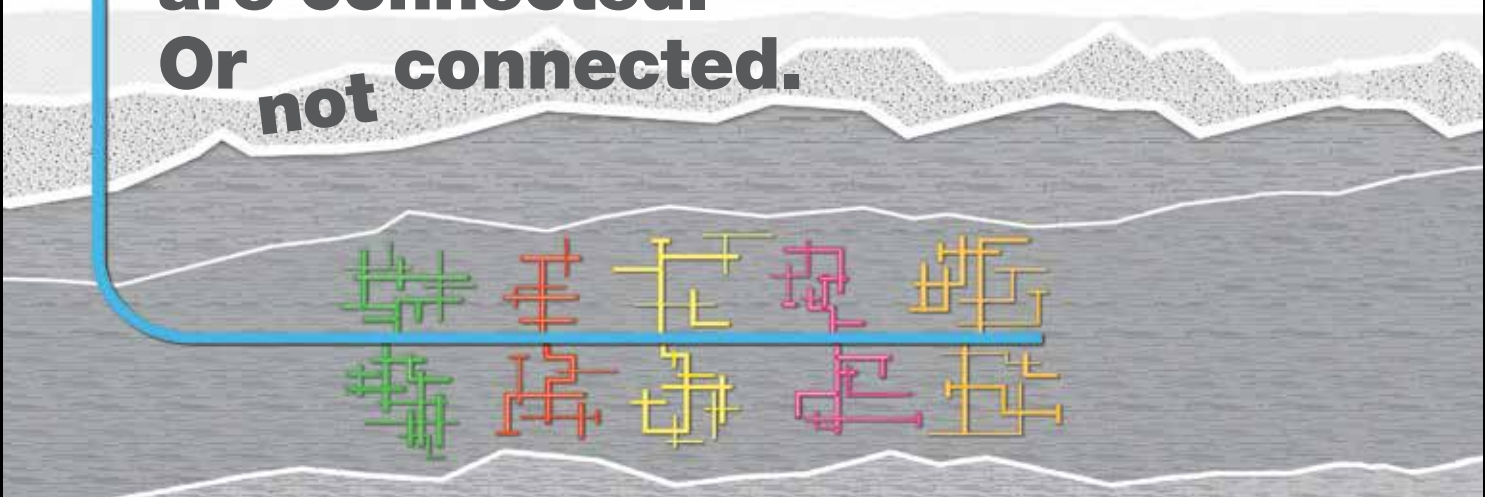
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2015-2016 SPE Gulf Coast Section Kickoff Meeting

Our 2015-2016 SPE Gulf Coast Section Kickoff Meeting will be held on Friday, August 21, 2015, at the Hilton Houston Westchase. This is an important opportunity to share contacts & best practices among our member volunteers and to learn from each other.

The “State of the Section” report will be given from 1-3 pm. Following that, special training breakout sessions will be held from 3-4 pm for the 2015-16 SPE-GCS Committee and Study Group Chairs, Vice Chairs, Program Chairs, Publicity Chairs, Treasurers, and new volunteers.

Please plan on joining us! Everyone is welcome and attendance is free of charge. Make sure to register as soon as possible so that we may arrange for participant materials and refreshments for all.

This event is a wonderful chance to learn about the SPE Gulf Coast Section activities for all of those who are SPE-GCS officers and those who want to be involved and become contributors!



EVENT INFO

FRIDAY

8.21.15

1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

EVENT LOCATION

Hilton Houston Westchase
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IN MEMORIAM

Brian Shane Everitt, 35-year old petroleum engineer at Ryder Scott and SPE-GCS Reservoir Study Group Treasurer, passed away unexpectedly on June 16.

“Brian was a great asset to our firm, but more importantly, he was my friend and a loving husband and father,” said Stuart Filler, vice president at Ryder Scott. “Brian had extraordinary skills. His tireless energy and willingness to assist those with less experience marked him as a fine young engineer and teacher. He left a great legacy professionally, and he will live in our hearts and minds.”

Everitt joined Ryder Scott in Houston in 2013 as a petroleum engineer. Before that, he was a business development reservoir engineer at J-W Midstream Co. and a lead reservoir engineer at Western Production Co. Everitt also worked at Constellation Energy Partners LLC, Snowmass Energy Partners and RJD Management Co. Inc.

He began his career at XTO Energy Inc. as a field engineer in 2005. He evaluated numerous conventional and unconventional plays and reservoirs across the United States.

Everitt earned a BS degree in petroleum engineering from Texas Tech University and was a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers. He was serving as treasurer of the SPE Gulf Coast Section Reservoir Study Group. Brian leaves behind his wife, Shannon, and 2-year old son, Parker.



BRIAN SHANE EVERITT

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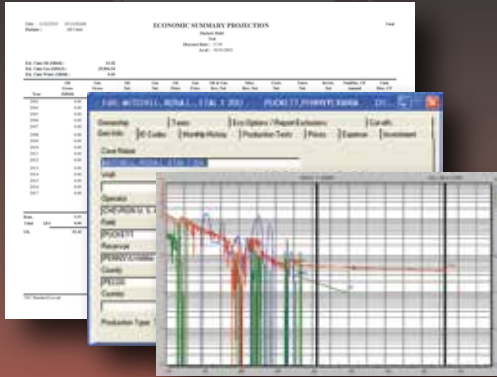
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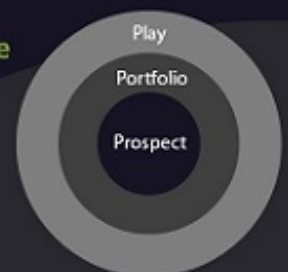
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MONDAY - WEDNESDAY

9.28 - 9.30.15

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The 32nd Annual Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section Tennis Tournament will be held on Thursday, November 5th, and Friday, November 6th, at the Houston Racquet Club, located at 10709 Memorial Drive in Houston, Texas. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the SPE-GCS Scholarship Fund, which supports college students studying petroleum engineering, math and sciences. In combination with other section functions, more than \$3 million in scholarships has been awarded to well-deserving students through this program since 1963.

In 2014, we had a very successful tournament with 115 players participating. Registrations and sponsorships raised \$35,000 in revenue. After tournament expenses, net proceeds of over \$9,500 were contributed to the SPE-GCS Scholarship Fund.

Sponsors are a welcome and essential part of making this event a success. All sponsors will be recognized in the tournament program and on the sponsorship billboard that is exhibited throughout the tournament. Please see the Sponsor Form for sponsorship levels. In-kind donations for ditty bags and door prizes are also accepted.

On behalf of the entire 2015 SPE-GCS Tennis Committee, we look forward to seeing everyone for two fun-filled days of tennis competition!

QUESTIONS

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LOCATION

The Houston Racquet Club
10709 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77024
713-464-4811
houstonracquetclub.com

START TIMES

Mixed Doubles
Begins Thursday
November 5th - 6:00 PM

Tournament Doubles
Begins Friday
November 6th - 9:00 AM

DEADLINE

October 30, 2015
Participation is limited!
Entries accepted on a
first-come, first-served basis.

Thursday / Friday
November 5 - 6

EVENT INFORMATION

There will be two flighted round robin events:
Mixed Doubles - Thursday evening, November 5th
Tournament Doubles - Friday, November 6th

The tournament doubles event is open to men and women and is a combined bracket. Partners may be of the same gender or mixed.

The committee will assist players who do not have a partner for any event.

FLIGHTING

Championship - Advanced Players
A - Regular & Advanced Players
B - Intermediate Players
C - Non-regular Players & Beginners

The SPE-GCS Tennis Committee reserves the right to allocate players to a different flight if necessary. Please rank yourself on the honor system.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Lots of tennis, meeting old friends and making new ones. Door prizes, T-shirts, awards, meals and beverages.

Thursday - Light dinner
Friday - Breakfast, lunch and snacks
Hit & Grab - Friday after lunch
Award presentations, door prizes & heavy appetizers - late Friday afternoon - 4PM

RULES OF ENTRY

The event is open to members, nonmembers, guests, and friends of SPE. The only restriction is that tennis professionals are not allowed.

REGISTRATION

Thursday, November 5th - 4:00 - 6:00 PM
Friday, November 6th - 8:30 - 9:00 AM

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All paid participants must wear their name tags during this event to have access to the food and drinks.

ENTRY FEE INFORMATION

\$125.00 per person - Fee covers Tournament and Mixed Doubles for an individual player.
\$50.00 for those only playing Mixed Doubles.
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FOR REGISTRATION

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SPE-GCS 32nd Annual Tennis Tournament

ENTRY DEADLINE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2015

Name _____

Gender _____ Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

PLAYERS *(1 entry form per player)*

TOURNAMENT DOUBLES\$125 per person
 MIXED DOUBLES ONLY\$50 per person
 SPOUSE/GUEST\$25 per person

YOUR RANK: Championship A B C

YOUR T-SHIRT SIZE: S M L XL XXL

FRIDAY TOURNAMENT DOUBLES

ARE YOU PLAYING TOURNAMENT DOUBLES?

Yes No

PARTNER'S NAME: _____

(Partner must send in own entry form)

PARTNER'S RANK: Championship A B C

DO YOU NEED A PARTNER? Yes No

THURSDAY MIXED DOUBLES

ARE YOU PLAYING IN MIXED DOUBLES?

Yes No

*(Additional \$50 if Mixed doubles partner is not playing in Tournament Doubles.
 \$50 MIXED ONLY)*

PARTNER'S NAME: _____

(Partner must send in own entry form)

PARTNER'S RANK: Championship A B C

DO YOU NEED A PARTNER? Yes No

METHOD OF PAYMENT

CHECK VISA MC AMEX DISC

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

(If paying with credit card please email entry to SPE-GCS Tennis c/o erin.chang@bp.com)

Name as it appears on card _____ Email Address _____

Name of sponsoring company *(If being sponsored)* _____ Email Address _____

Amount Enclosed/Amount to Charge *(Make checks payable to SPE-GCS Tennis)* _____

SPONSORS

Sponsors are a welcome and essential part of making this event a success. In recognition of their support, sponsors will be identified with special signage and privileges. 100% of the net proceeds raised by the tournament will be applied toward scholarships for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section College Scholarship Fund. All sponsors will have their company name on the tournament sponsor board and recognized in the tournament program according to sponsorship levels. Levels of available sponsorships are listed in the table below along with the number of players your company is entitled to register as part of your sponsorship. Separate entry forms are required for each player.

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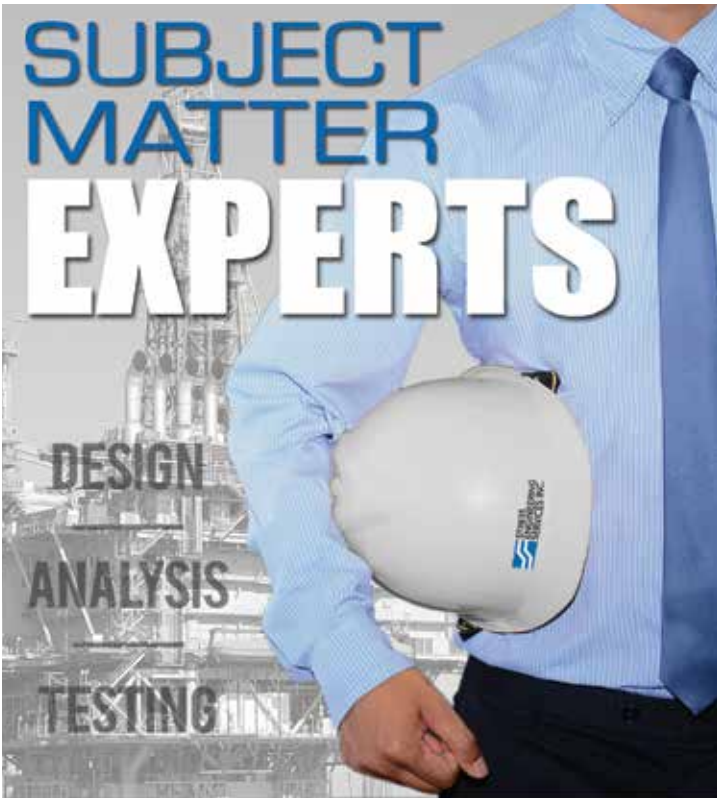
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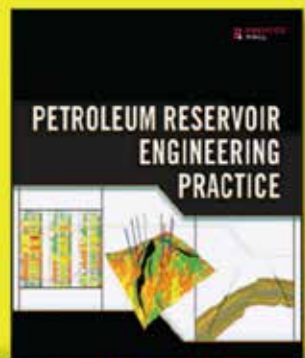
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- Climate variability and hurricane modeling, prediction of hurricanes for GOM

Registration includes continental breakfast, lunch buffet, and breaks on both days. For those individuals who need professional development hours, certificates will be provided based on the number of sessions attended.

EVENT INFO

WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY

9.9.15 - 9.10.15

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

EVENT LOCATION

Westchase Marriott
2900 Briarpark Dr.
Houston, TX 77042

EVENT CONTACT

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bhead@rpsea.org

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\$500

Evolution of Bioremediation

Bioremediation has finally evolved! You are invited to hear Terramed Remediation's Ron Finn and DryLet's Steve Ellis present the theory and third-party validated data for this revolutionary microbial delivery technology, best described as "bioreactors."

Wastewater plants have tried everything to solve problems of odor and sludge buildup that result in air quality fines and expensive trucking expenses. DryLet has helped solve some of these issues by putting common bacteria inside a bioreactor.

In the Houston area, wastewater plants treat 1 million gallons of wastewater with 2 pounds per day of these bioreactors, which eliminate the odors and reduce sludge by 35%. This same technology is being used in the oil and gas business to remediate waste products.

These bioreactors overcome many of the limitations of legacy bioremediation techniques by requiring a much lower moisture requirement to be effective. Case studies will be presented for successful remediations that include fuel spills, oil-based drill cuttings, production pits, industrial lagoons and tank battery remediation. In addition to hydrocarbons, this bioreactor technology can also effectively remediate chlorides and sodium absorption ratios (SAR).

SPEAKERS

Ron Finn
Founder & CEO
Terramed Remediation

Steve Ellis
Founder & Executive VP
DryLet

EVENT INFO

TUESDAY

8.25.15

11:30 TO 1:00 PM

EVENT LOCATION

Norris Conference Center Westchase
9990 Richmond Ave #102
Houston, TX 77042

EVENT CONTACT

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NON-MEMBERS & MEMBERS:

\$35

EVENT RECAP

The 15th annual SPE-GCS Sporting Clays Tournament was a great success with 72 teams participating. The event raised over \$35,000 to benefit the SPE-GCS Scholarship Fund and the Bright Light Foundation. The second annual Cook-Off Challenge was a bit smaller this year, but was nevertheless exciting with the Lunch Bunch taking first and C&J Energy finishing a close second. All the teams dished up great food; congratulations to all who participated! The shooting winners this year received Yeti mugs as trophies, and every competitor received a stunning blue SPE-GCS engraved Kershaw knife for coming out. I want to thank the committee members and all the volunteers; the event and I would be lost without them. Also a tremendous thank you to the outstanding sponsors who make this event successful each and every year. See you in June 2016! — Paul Conover



A shooter in the afternoon flight breaks one of his many targets





Charlie Oldenburg shoots at clay target during the morning flight of the SPE GCS's 15th Annual Sporting Clays Tournament.



The SPE-GCS Reservoir Group's annual Reservoir Technology Forum was sold out this year with more than 200 attendees. Students were able to participate free of charge.



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Texas A&M University was awarded 5 top places at the SPE Regional Student Paper Contest (SPC). For Aggie petroleum engineering students, participation in the contest began in February with the department's annual SPC, where 488 students (juniors, seniors, MS, and PhD) presented their projects to a panel of judges from industry and academia during two rounds of competition.

First and second places of each division competed in the Gulf Coast North America Region SPC, hosted at Rice University in April. Students from University of Houston, Rice, and Texas A&M University gathered and displayed outstanding projects in different areas of petroleum engineering. Aggies were awarded top places in all divisions:



First-place winners will compete next September at the SPE International Student Paper Contest, which will be held at the 2015 Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition in Houston.

UNDERGRADUATE

1st place
Andrew Abbott

2nd place
Amanda Nelson

MASTERS

1st place
Clay Strack

2nd place
Emmanuel Oyewole

DOCTORAL

1st place
Ernesto Valbuena

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Invitation to TAMU-SPE Career Enhancement Event

Recruiting season is right around the corner and SPE at Texas A&M University is excited to present our annual Career Enhancement Event (CEE) to be held September 11th, 2015, in College Station, TX. The CEE is a petroleum engineering career fair that provides opportunities for companies to network with our students and advertise their positions for internships, co-ops, and full-time employment.

The CEE is the most attended activity hosted by our organization, with 98 recruiters from 28 oil and gas companies and over 650 SPE student members from petroleum engineering and related disciplines attending last year.

Career Enhancement Event
Friday September 11, 2015
8 AM - 5 PM
College Station, TX

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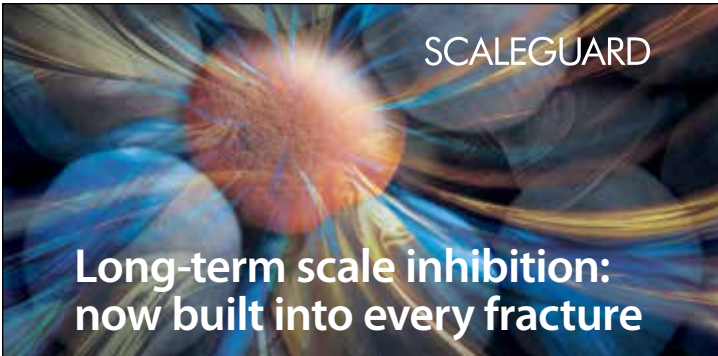
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