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Welcome members, to the Society of Petroleum Engineers 2013-2014 Board Year. As many of you know the SPE-GCS fiscal year runs from August through July. This month marks the transition to a new board, and I personally invite you to the Kick-off Event on August 16th, 2013 at the Hilton Houston Westchase. This event is an excellent opportunity to network with other industry professionals and see how you can become involved. The event is free to attendees who register at www.spegcs.org.

The new year brings many new Board Members. We appreciate the diversity of skill and leadership that they bring. Please welcome the following members in their new roles.

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The annual report was highlighted in the July *Connect* newsletter. If you have not read it, please take a few minutes to see the many interesting and exciting things that have taken place.

This past year was a success due to the involvement of many people. One of the key accomplishments in 2012-2013, was the launch of the *Connect* newsletter for the Gulf Coast Section. Kim Pinyopusarerk (formerly Tran) has been the editor for the launch of this new format. It has received rave reviews, and we thank her for her wonderful contribution to the newsletter. Kim is moving on to other activities and John Jackson will take her place as the new editor. Although he has big shoes to fill, he is up to the task after co-chairing the YP Roughneck Camp and other leadership activities in the YP group. Thanks, John. Valerie Martone also deserves a big mention as she guided this process and the rollout of the new SPE-GCS website.

The SPE Gulf Coast Section has nearly 16,000 members and is growing. We appreciate the efforts of all our members and

encourage your participation. On a professional level there are many Study Groups and Committee events to attend – these support collaboration and sharing of knowledge. We also support SPE Student Chapters at Texas A&M, Rice, U of H, and Houston Community College with scholarship opportunities for engineering candidates. Through our community services outreach we support local schools, and in particular, programs that encourage science, technology, engineering and math skills (STEM). Socially, we hold an annual golf tournament, tennis tournament, sporting clays and networking events. Extend yourself, improve your community and have fun within the SPE Gulf Coast Section!

We welcome your participation and leadership as the industry benefits from the collaborative efforts. Personally, I welcome your comments and ideas. Please feel free to contact me at mike-strathman@att.net

Thank you for your continual support and contribution to SPE-GCS; we look forward to another amazing year...

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7:30 AM TO 10:30 AM

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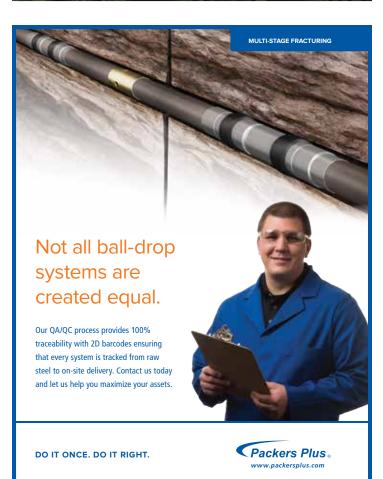
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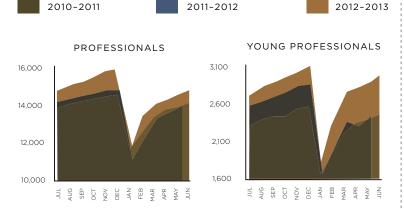


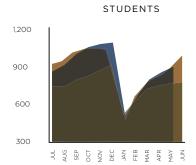
MEMBERSHIP REPORT

June 2013

JUNE 2013 Total: 14,792 YP: 3,095 MAY 2013 Total: 14,391 YP: 2,930

	JUNE		MAY		
SPE-GCS Members	Total	YP	Total	YP	
New Members	163	87	232	94	
Transferred to Section	2	2	13	5	
Transferred out of Section	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Unpaid	2,512	836	2,670	870	
Student Members	Paid	Unpaid	Paid	Unpaid	
Texas A&M	594	234	541	246	
UH/Rice	372	90	310	96	
НСС	72	13	47	13	
Total	1,038	337	898	355	
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Total Paid/Unpaid	15,830	2,849	15,289	3,025	
% Paid	84.7%		83.5%		





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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Elizabeth DeStephens, P.E.

This month SPE-GCS wishes to recognize Elizabeth DeStephens, treasurer of the Reservoir Study Group and Chairman of the SPE U.S. Engineering Registration Subcommittee. Elizabeth is also liaison to the NCEES Examinations for Professional Engineers Committee and has served on several SPE conference program committees.

Elizabeth secured complimentary seats for 35 Texas A&M and University of Houston students attending the annual full-day Reservoir Engineering Technology Forum. For her service to SPE, she received the Regional Young Member Outstanding Service Award at our Awards Banquet in May.

Elizabeth works in business development at Occidental Petroleum as A&D Engineering Advisor, focusing on upstream acquisition and joint venture opportunities in North America. Before joining Oxy, she served as Vice President of Engineering for A&D at Raymond James & Associates, Senior Reservoir Engineer at Ryder Scott, and Senior Engineer at ExxonMobil. Elizabeth has a BS in Materials Engineering from the University of Florida and a Master of Engineering in Petroleum Engineering from the University of Houston. She remains active at the University of Florida through her service on the Department of Materials Engineering Advisory Council and the Alumni Association Young Alumni Advisory Council. Elizabeth is a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Texas.

When she is not working, Elizabeth serves on the Board of Directors for Classroom Champions, a non-profit agency that pairs Olympian and Paralympian (disabled) athletes with needy students in the U.S., Canada, and Costa Rica, many of whom have succumbed to the idea that a bleak future has already been pre-determined for them. The program provides hope and inspiration to these children. Athlete mentors teach about the hard work of training, goal setting, competition, and perseverance, and classrooms incorporate teachings into their curricula. Using video lessons and live chats, students are engaged with their athlete mentor several times per month.

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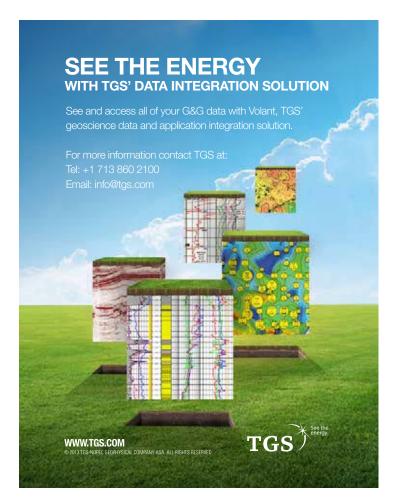


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SECTION KICK-OFF MEETING WILL BE
HELD ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2013 AT
THE HILTON HOUSTON WESTCHASE.
THIS IS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY
TO SHARE CONTACTS & BEST
PRACTICES AMONG OUR MEMBER
VOLUNTEERS AND TO LEARN FROM
EACH OTHER.

The "State of the Section" report will be given from 1-3 PM. Following that, special training will be held for the 2013-14 SPE-GCS Committee and Study Group Chairs, Vice-Chairs, Program Chairs, Treasurers, and New Volunteers from 3-4 PM.

Please plan on joining us if possible. 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. Register and bring a friend and help them see why they should join the SPE.

Here is a wonderful chance to learn about the SPE Gulf Coast Section activities for all of those who want to be involved and become contributors!

Please make sure to register so that we may have a proper count for materials & snacks.

WHEN

Friday, Aug. 16, 2013 1 PM - 4 PM

WHERE

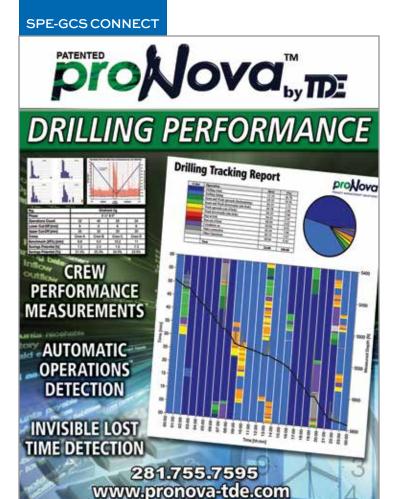
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http://www.spegcs.org/ events/register/2329/

ORGANIZER

Kathy MacLennan kmaclennan@spe.org







This two-day workshop will bring together a focused group of professionals who are engaged in reserve and resource assessment. Attendees are urged to actively participate in discussions on the interpretation and application of the PRMS and the recent document, Guidelines for Application of PRMS

www.spe.org/events/13ahou







2013-2014 Mentoring & Social Kick-Off

5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM

The SPE Business Development Study Group and SPE Young Professionals Group are kicking off the 2013-14 season with a joint social at Sambuca Restaurant downtown! In addition to enjoying great food and company, we will be soliciting mentors and mentees to be a part of the SPE mentoring program.

Whether you are starting off in the industry or are an experienced professional, come out and learn what these groups have planned for the new season. Sign up to be a mentor or mentee and network with those in A&D, financiers, engineers, geoscientists and land professionals.

This event is free and limited to the first 150 registered guests. Register now to reserve your place. Registration includes two complimentary drinks per guest and appetizers from 5:00-7:30 PM. We hope to see you there!

Please contact Connie Lin at CONLI@statoil.com or Brittany Niles at Brittany.Niles@shell.com with any questions about this event.

Special thanks to our Diamond Sponsor, BMO Capital Markets and our Platinum Sponsor, Credit Agricole.

Event Info

LOCATION

Sambuca Restaurant 909 Texas Ave. Houston, TX 77002

EVENT CONTACT

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STUDY GROUP COMPLETIONS & PRODUCTION

Evaluation of Horizontal Wells in the Eagle Ford Using Oil-based Chemical Tracer Technology

Horizontal well positioning through a target formation can have a significant impact on overall productivity from an unconventional oil well. This presentation will present the evaluation of two horizontal wells completed in the oil section of the Eagle Ford Shale. These wells were completed using similar completion designs (hybrid frac design) with the method and number of frac stages determined by the geology, petrophysical, or geomechanical data.

The presentation will describe how conventional analysis technologies including completion, flowback, and production data were compared to the relative oil flow from each stage measured using a recently developed hydrocarbon tracer technology to provide critical information on optimal well path design for use during future well development.

The stage production data provided by the use of hydrocarbon-based tracers allows engineers to modify and improve their completion and stimulation programs. This presentation will highlight tracer response interpretations of the two wells presented and the current status of the hydrocarbon-based tracer technology for hydraulic fracturing applications.

Jon Spencer

Jon Spencer has 35 years of experience in the oil patch, 15 years with Halliburton as a Wireline Engineer performing open hole, cased hole and production logging services. He has spent the past 20 years with Tracerco performing both upstream and downstream tracer projects. Currently as the Upstream Technical Advisor, he designs and analyzes the performance of tracer projects for both waterflood / gasflood interwell applications and for frac / stimulation applications. Tracerco has performed a number of tracer-tagged frac projects from Texas to Alberta.



11:30 AM TO 1:00 PM

Event Info

SPEAKER

Jon Spencer Upstream Technical Advisor TRACERCO

LOCATION

Greenspoint Club 16925 Northchase Dr Houston, Texas 77060

EVENT CONTACT

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SPE-GCS EVENTS 30TH ANNUAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

SPE-GCS 30TH Annual Tennis Tournament

September 19/20

THU 4:00 PM - FRI 8:00PM

The 30th Annual Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section Tennis Tournament will be held on THURSDAY, September 19th & FRIDAY, September 20th at The Houston Racquet Club located at 10709 Memorial Drive in Houston, Texas. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the SPE-GCS Scholarship Fund. In combination with other section functions, there have been 20 new scholarships for incoming college freshman studying petroleum engineering, math and sciences, and 89 renewed scholarships which include sophomores, juniors and seniors for their continued education in petroleum engineering. More than \$3 million dollars in scholarships have been awarded since 1963 to students through this program.

In 2012, we had a very successful tournament with over 80 players participating. Registrations and sponsorships raised \$50,000 in revenue. After tournament expenses, net proceeds of over \$26,100 dollars were contributed to the SPE-GCS Scholarship Fund.

Sponsors are a welcome and an 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 2013 SPE-GCS Tennis Committee, we look forward to seeing everyone for two fun-filled days of tennis!

QUESTIONS

Bob Fu 713-591-9808 bob.fu@bp.com

Suzanne del Rosario Davis 832-618-5282 sdelrosariodavis@lgc.com

LOCATION

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

START TIMES

Mixed Doubles Begins Thursday September 19th - 6:00 PM

Tournament Doubles
Begins Friday
September 20th - 9:00 AM

DEADLINE

September 13, 2013 Participation is limited and entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis

30th Anniversary

EVENT INFORMATION

There will be two flighted round robin events: Tournament Doubles – Friday, September 20th Mixed Doubles – Thursday evening, September 19th

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, September 19th - 4:00 - 6:00 PM Friday, September 20th - 8:30 - 9:00 AM

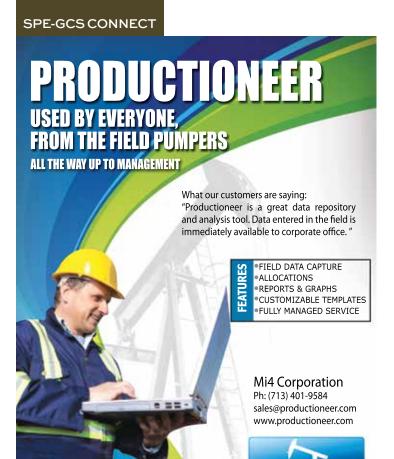
IMPORTANT NOTICE

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.
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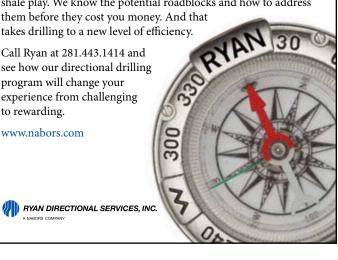
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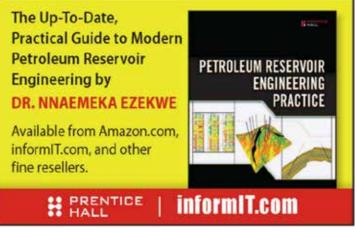
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Entry Form Entry Deadline – Friday, September 13, 2013

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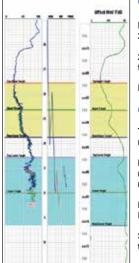
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THE 17TH ANNUAL

Gulf of Mexico Deepwater Symposium & Exhibition

SPE DELTA SECTION

The Gulf of Mexico Deepwater Symposium and Exhibition is a joint effort between the Delta Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), New Orleans Geological Society (NOGS) and the American Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE).

The goal of these annual symposiums is to share knowledge, best practices, new technologies, and improvements to existing technologies with a focus on case studies. There are approximately 60 technical presentations given, which cover a wide array of topics including well completions and interventions, reservoir and economics, geoscience, drilling technology, production systems, HS&E / Regulatory, emerging technologies, and Pipeline / Infrastructure.

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September 15

8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

RPSEA Onshore Production Conference

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

The RPSEA Onshore Production Conference is just around the corner and SPE-GCS members are invited to participate. RPSEA has an active research program with a current portfolio of projects all targeting technology that will benefit the onshore production community. This conference offers an ideal opportunity to hear the latest perspectives and exchange ideas with industry experts.

Attendees will learn the latest perspectives and benefits on what's being developed in:

- Water Treatment
- Improving Oil Production and Recovery
- Reducing Operating Costs

LOCATION

Bureau of Economic Geology's Houston Research Center 11611 West Little York Rd Houston, TX 77041

EVENTINFO

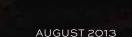
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EVENT CONTACT

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REGISTRATION

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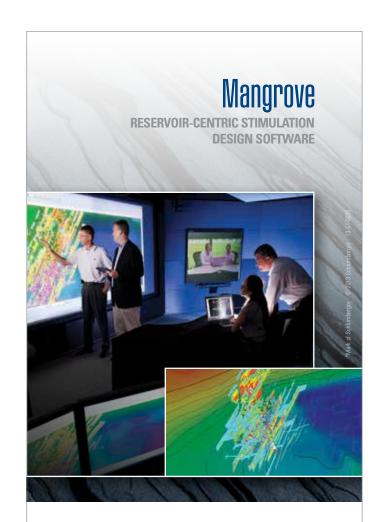
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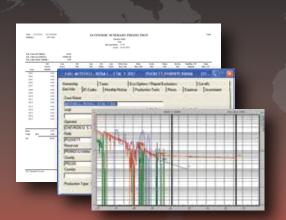
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