

The NGEAO Connection



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It's a Revolution for Evolution

The constant pressure on my shoulders wanes with each passing day. Feelings of relief, disappointment and eager anticipation overcome me as I begin to contemplate my role and responsibilities for next year.

I've always believed that empowering others and the power of inclusion move people...in the right direction.

Five years ago, NGEAO did not publish a newsletter, there was no logo, no website, no membership directory, the sporadically scheduled meetings averaged less than 30 atten-

dees, there were no committee members, and we were forced to twist arms to encourage people to serve on the board.

Fortunately, due to the dedication and sacrifice of many of the past and present board members and a few dedicated volunteers, there is a renewed interest in NGEAO and our organization is flourishing.

It is only through our efforts to empower those who feel they have no power and to include those who feel they are outside that we can continue to grow our organization.

Despite what you might hear, change is not a profane word—it's what's required of us to evolve into something better.

Change is inevitable; how you react to change is what defines your character.

"It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird: it would be a jolly sight harder for it to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. We must be hatched or go bad."

- C. S. Lewis

Sports Tournament Photos Online

Photos from 2008 Sports Tournament are available online

1. Log on to www.ngeao.org using your userid and password
2. Click on "Monthly Meetings" on the left side of the screen
3. Click on "Sports Tournament Photos"

NGEAO's Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Monday, December 1, Holiday Meet and Greet @ Skybar in Oklahoma City 4 –10 pm
- Tuesday, December 2, Holiday Meet & Greet @ The Jewel in Tulsa 4 -10 pm
- Thursday, January 8, Luncheon @ Tulsa 11:30 am -1:00 pm
- Monday & Tuesday, February 2nd and 3rd, Wellhead to Burnertip class @ Tulsa
- Thursday, February 19, Luncheon @ Oklahoma City 11:30 am—1:00 pm
- Monday & Tuesday, March 2nd and 3rd, Wellhead to Burnertip class @ OKC
- Thursday, March 12, Luncheon @ Oklahoma City 11:30 am—1:00 pm

Click [HERE](#) to view the website event calendar and/or to add these items to your Outlook



Carbon Emissions
PODCAST

Planting for a cleaner Future

Learn how planting crops in Oklahoma can assist the rest of the world in reducing greenhouse gases discussed by Oklahoma Carbon Initiative and Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts

http://www.publicbroadcasting.net/kosu/news.newsmain?action=article&ARTICLE_ID=1388660

Useful Links

Each month the newsletter offers web links that may help you do your job better. This month's picks are:

Listen to a short story about how the amount of dust from Africa can foretell the size and number of hurricanes <http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=94332532>

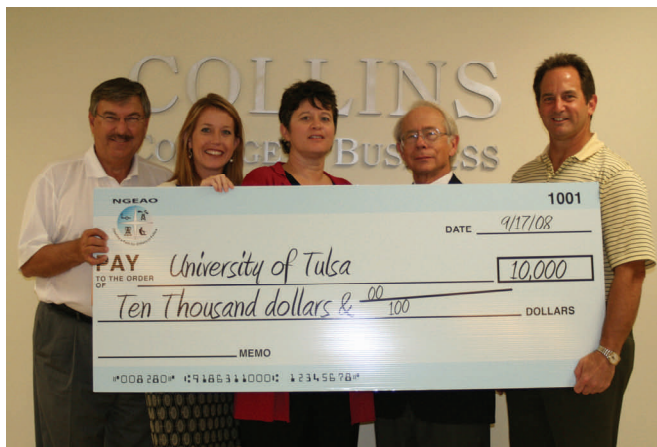
Check out this new pipeline technology for moving pipe <http://www.vacuworx.com/demo.html>

Want to learn more about T Boone Pickens plan for energy? www.pickensplan.com

Take action to protect yourself from the flu www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/pdf/Take_Three-v1.pdf

NGEAO's Donation to Tulsa University

NGEAO's 2008 board members unanimously agreed to increase our support for energy education by donating \$10,000 to Tulsa University's energy management program.



Pictured from left Rick Fitzgerald with ConocoPhillips, Kristen Brown with Walden Energy, Jennifer Greenwell with Nadel and Gussman, Dr. Gale Sullenberger the dean of Collins College of Business at Tulsa University and Ted Jacobs, Director of Energy management at Tulsa University.

NGEAO Sponsors Wellhead to Burner Tip Class

Last year was our first time to sponsor a Natural Gas 101 class and the response was fantastic! 80+ students signed up for the one day seminar in Tulsa! We asked for feedback on how to make the class better in 2009 and the following response was overwhelming

- Decrease class size
- Expand the course to 2 days
- Have classes in both OKC and Tulsa to keep travel expenses down
- Cover more material on accounting/scheduling/allocations
- Make sure the reference materials include key terms and definitions
- Give a free membership to NGEAO for attending class
- Provide NGEAO directory to every student
- Keep the cost below \$300/pp

WE HEARD YOU, NGEAO MEMBERS!!!

- Classes will be held in both Tulsa and Oklahoma City
- Cost of the new and improved two-day class is \$250.00 per person
- Registration will be limited to 45 students for each class
- Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided each day
- All students will receive a free membership to NGEAO for the remainder of the 2008-2009 fiscal year which includes email announcements of upcoming events, meetings and NGEAO newsletters
- All students will receive a free NGEAO membership directory

[See page 4 for more details.....](#)

NGEAO's Donation to Oklahoma University

Rick Fitzgerald, NGEAO board member and chairman of our education committee, presented Steve Long, Energy Industry Relations Director at OU's Energy Management Program with a \$10,000 last month.

The \$10,000 donation to the Michael F. Price College of Business at Oklahoma University represents NGEAO's commitment to energy education.

If you are interested in working on the 2009 education committee, please contact Kristin Brown at Walden Energy at 918-770-4114 or email her at Kristin.brown@waldenenergy.com

***In 2008, NGEAO
donated a total
of \$30,000 to
OU, OSU and
TU***

Natural Gas 101 – Wellhead to Burnertip

Teacher: Paige Patterson, Patterson & Associates

February 2 & 3, 2009

Tulsa Marriott Renaissance Hotel

6808 S. 107th E. Ave., Tulsa

8 am–5pm

March 2 & 3, 2009

OKC Marriott Renaissance Hotel

10 N. Broadway, OKC

8am–5pm

Outline of class:

SECTION ONE - Evolution of the Natural Gas Industry

- The Early Years - 1800's thru 1930's
- Emerging Regulation of Exploration and Production - 1940 thru 1970's
- The Regulated Market of the 1980's and Early 90's
- FERC Order 636 - Primary Features
- The Post FERC Order 636 Environment
- Future of the Natural Gas Industry-Unbundling Behind the Citygate

SECTION TWO - All About Natural Gas – The Physical Side

- Natural Gas - the product
- Natural Gas exploration, production, measurement, gathering and processing
- Pipeline/LDC operations - how gas moves thru the pipes
- Storage

SECTION THREE - The Basics of the Industry

- The Monthly Business Cycle- contracts thru billing
- The Production Month
- Who Are the Industry Players?
- Key Terms and Definitions
- Gas Contracts and Markets
- Pricing a Service at the Burnertip

SECTION FOUR - All About Natural Gas – The Paper Side

- The nomination process
- The confirmation/scheduling process
- Physical gas flows and curtailments
- Allocations - methods and examples

CONCLUSION

- The accounting and billing process
- Balancing and penalty provisions
- Gas Measurement and quality issues

Cost \$250.00

Tulsa Class: Click [HERE](#) to register online now

Cost \$250.00

OKC Class: Click [HERE](#) to register online now

Renewable Energy Has Gone to the Dogs

Independent Natural Resources, Inc. has devised a method to harness wave energy from the ocean to create electricity.

The Seadog Pump is a buoy that floats on the surface of the ocean. Wave action moves a piston up and down through a piston chamber thereby creating energy.

The Seadog Pump consumes no fuel or electricity and creates no by-products...other than electricity.

Check out these links for more information:

http://news.cnet.com/8301-11128_3-9952575-54.html

<http://inri.us/index.php/MarketingMaterial>

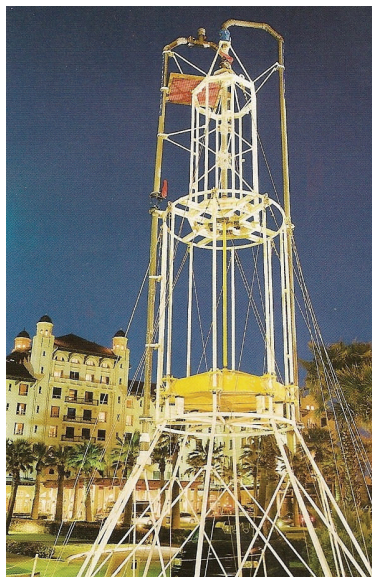
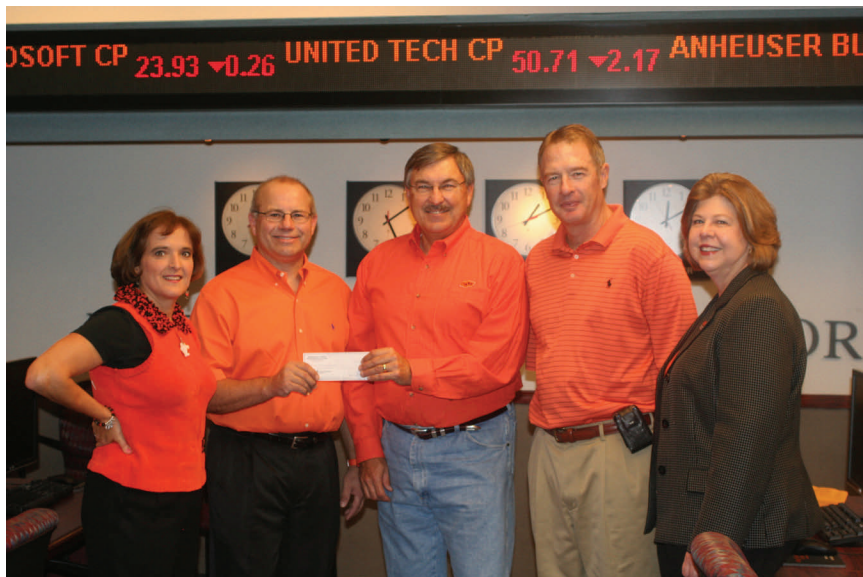


Photo courtesy of Texas Highways magazine May 2008 issue

"A wave energy device like ours properly deployed and scaled up could power the entire United States." -Mark Thomas CEO with Independent Natural Resources

NGEAO's Donation to Oklahoma State University

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Pictured from left Betty Simkins, Williams Companies Professor of Business at Oklahoma State University, John Polonchek Finance Professor at the Williams S Spears School of Business at Oklahoma State University, Rick Fitzgerald with ConocoPhillips, Paul Belflower, Vice President of Gas Marketing with Mustang Fuel Marketing and Dr. Sara Freedman, Dean of the Williams S. Spears School of Business at Oklahoma State University.

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Job Openings at NGEAO

Interested in serving on an NGEAO committee during 2009? Mary Beasley, the President elect, is working to fill NGEAO board positions and recruit committee positions.

Please contact Mary if you would like to become more involved in NGEAO next year at mary.beasley@conocophillips.com

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NGEAO Committees

New Membership – The NGEAO continues to add new members each month. Contact Caleb Johnson for more information.

Monthly Meetings – New incoming committee members will be planning the events for the remainder of 2008. Contact committee Chairmen Josh Baskett.

Education – Yearly scholarship funding selection, continuing education credits, seminar topics, etc Committee Chairman is Rick Fitzgerald

Sports Tournament – actively participate in all phases of the annual event including planning and working the event Committee Chairmen are Teresa Hardesty, Diana Cox and Mary Beasley

Website – Participate in managing the website, provide content, update periodically Committee Chairman is Jennifer Greenwell

Newsletter – Author industry related articles, provide web links or photos, etc Committee Chairman is Jennifer Greenwell

Membership Directory – Assist in creation of a membership directory. Committee Chairman is Mary Beasley.

Communications and Public Relations – Create press releases, add events to industry calendars, advertising, etc Committee Chairman is Jennifer Greenwell

Volunteers – Coordinate with those interested in becoming more active in NGEAO. Committee Chairman is Kristin Brown

Clayshoot Tournament – Assist in the planning of our annual clay tournament. Committee Co-Chairmen are Josh Baskett and Andrew Williams

Holiday Meet & Greet – Help make arrangements for the 2008 holiday meet and greet. Committee Co-Chairmen are Bill Shanahan and Caleb Johnson