

NGEAO Connection Newsletter

Natural Gas & Energy Association of Oklahoma

Save the Dates

- 8-9-12
Luncheon Meeting
OKC Dr.
Duncan/Conoco
Phillips
- 9-12/13-12
Annual Conference
Tulsa/HardRock
Conference
Center
- 10-11-12
Luncheon
Meeting Keith
Mitchell/Enogex
& Educational
Seminar
OKC
- 11-8-12
Luncheon Meeting
Tulsa
- 12-6-12
Annual Holiday
Reception OKC
Downtown
Petroleum Club

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OERB Seeks Instructors

The NGEAO Education Committee and representatives of the Oklahoma Energy Resources Board (OERB) will jointly offer training courses in gas scheduling and gas contract administration. Through the OERB Petrotech Program individuals can obtain training and certification in these fields. In the recent past, two committees of NGEAO members participated in the development of course content outlines that were designed to give a student the background knowledge to qualify for a certification in the respective areas. These modules of training are designed to be extensions of existing OERB Petrotech training courses, with a specific intent on preparing individuals for the challenges of pursuing a new career direction in the gas business. The offer of this training would have an added benefit to NGEAO members who have a need for background instruction for their employees who desire to work in these areas.

The OERB has current training courses underway in both Oklahoma City and Tulsa with facilities and coursework already being offered. These courses would be offered in modules that, upon completion, would result in achieving a prescribed number of course hours for certification of the course participants. The next step for the NGEAO is to identify qualified teachers willing to develop course materials for each curriculum and to staff the evening classes. It is envisioned that these teaching opportunities would be paid positions. If you are interested in pursuing an opportunity to teach either fundamentals of gas scheduling or gas contract administration in the upcoming fall term, please notify Rick Fitzgerald at 281-293-1266.

NGEAO Host Crude Oil Group

On July 24th NGEAO hosted what has become known as "The Crude Oil Meeting". This is not a very glamorous title; however it describes the event well.

Over 50 people met at Coach's in Bricktown to hear Lynn Westfall, Executive Vice President of Turner Mason & Company give a presentation on the "North American Crude Oil Outlook" from a refiner's perspective. It was informative and a presented a different view than what you hear from the general public. After the presentation, the group enjoyed dinner and a view of the Redhawks baseball game from the patio in left field.





Register now for Annual Conference

SEPTEMBER 12th and 13th, 2012

Hard Rock Conference Center Catoosa, Oklahoma

Hotel Deadline August 12, midnight

Call 1-800-760-6700 Or go online www.hardrockcasinotulsa.com

Attendee Code: NGEAO91112 Standard Room: \$109.00/Suites: \$159.00

Wednesday Education Conference Classes 11:30 PM - 5:00 PM

Crude oil or Natural Gas Track including luncheon for \$175. Members must register in order to attend. These classes are limited to 200 participants.

Wednesday Mixer 5:30 PM - 10:00PM

Always a fun event, the Mixer will be in the SKY ROOM 18th FLOOR. Enjoy networking in this festive environment with heavy hors d'oeuvres, luscious desserts, beer, wine, and non-alcoholic drinks. As usual there will be a cash bar, DJ, music, and dancing available.

Thursday Breakfast 7:00AM - 8:00AM

Wake up to a hearty breakfast buffet served at the clubhouse.

Thursday AM & PM Golf Tee Off at 8:00 AM and 1:30 PM

Fore! Grab your clubs and join us for some fun on the golf course. Cherokee Golf Course is located west of the casino. Golf Bag storage is available Wednesday from 7:00AM to 7:00PM in the clubhouse.

Thursday Lunch 12:00 - 2:00 PM

We are serving grilled chicken & hamburgers at the clubhouse.

Thursday Bowling 2:00PM - 5:00PM

It's Friday the 13th on Thursday at Sheridan Lanes. This year's theme is horror movies! Bowlers will leave the hotel around 1:15 (or as soon as the AM golfers finish their round) by shuttle bus. If you missed lunch at the clubhouse an optional lunch will be provided at the lanes. Complementary adult beverages will be provided.

Thursday Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament 2:00PM - 4:30PM

Bring your poker face and join us in the Poker Pit for our Texas Hold'em Poker tournament. There is an optional half hour instructional session prior to the tournament for those who wish to freshen up their skills. All other participants will need to check in by 1:45 and the dealers will start at 2:00.

Thursday Happy Hour 6:00PM - 7:00PM

Please join us for a cocktail reception. NGEAO will provide beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages. A cash bar is also available.

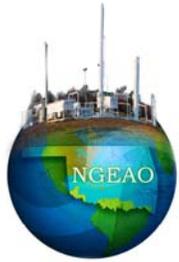
Thursday Dinner and Awards 7:00PM - 10:00PM

Let's wrap up the Annual Conference in style. As if the dinner wasn't enough, we'll have prizes for each sporting event and have lots of great door prize drawings you won't want to miss. You must be present to win door prizes.

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If you would like to volunteer please email Summer Baker at
srbaker@sunoclogistics.com



Keynote Speaker, Robert Bryce, Confirmed

We are excited to announce that NGEAO has expanded the Educational Conference this year to include a keynote speaker for Wednesday's lunch. This year we have renowned author Robert Bryce, whose articles have appeared in dozens of publications ranging from the Wall Street Journal to Counterpunch and Atlantic Monthly to Oklahoma Stripper. Mr. Bryce is based in Austin, Texas, and has been writing about the energy business since 1989, writing four books and countless articles.

His latest book, *Power Hungry: The Myths of "Green" Energy, and the Real Fuels of the Future*, was published in 2010. According to Kirkus' review, in this book, which is a contrarian, discontented approach to renewable energy, he writes, "Oil is greener than nearly everything else that might replace it." Suggesting that energy sources should be judged by their power density, energy density, cost and scale, Bryce asserts oil is a good source of energy while corn ethanol and wind are not.



Bentek Sees Marcellus Sustaining NA Production

Suzanne Minter of BENTEK Energy (Evergreen, CO) was the featured speaker for the July 12th luncheon meeting at Tulsa Country Club. You would expect July to be a lower attendance month with vacations and the oppressive summer weather, but the turnout was strong to hear Suzanne's projections on the Natural Gas Market Outlook for the next 18 months. Some of the take-aways from her presentation were:

- Low natural gas prices continue to erode the coal market share for utilities.
- Even with increased burns, natural gas storage is setting records and will test limits.
- Rig migration continues to occur from dry gas areas to liquid-rich plays.
- Demand is responding to lower prices, but mild weather will impede growth.
- The Marcellus and Utica formations will continue to push back on the traditional long-haul corridors to the Northeast.

A lively Q&A session followed the presentation. Suzanne received enthusiastic applause from the NGEAO members, particularly when they learned that her 13-year-old son was an avid OKC Thunder fan.

Tulsa Luncheon & OKC Crude Oil Group Photos



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Spotlight NGEAO Board Member

Tracy A. Holmes is currently serving the NGEAO board as 2nd Vice President and is employed by Enogex where she has worked for 26 years.

She is currently Sr. Manager Scheduling-NGLs for Enogex LLC, moving recently from OGE Energy Resources where she held the position of Director Transportation Trading and was responsible for marketing and trading of natural gas transportation, related financial products, and natural gas scheduling services.

During her career at Enogex, she has held a variety of positions, including natural gas and power trading, transportation, volume

control, scheduling and business development. Mrs. Holmes holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in General Business from the University of Central Oklahoma and a MBA from Oklahoma City University.

When not working for Enogex, She loves to travel and is a PADI scuba diving instructor. She also loves snow skiing and has run 3 marathons and run Pike's Peak but is now "retired" from running!

Tracy is currently learning about farming.



NGEAO Financial Report

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Please submit story ideas and newsworthy items to the email above for this quarterly publication.

As of June 14, 2012 the NGEAO reported the following:

Checking	\$ 27,504
Savings	<u>\$ 84,500</u>
Total Cash	\$112,004

NGEAO – “Clearing a path for others to follow”

The Natural Gas and Energy Association of Oklahoma is a 501 (c) (6) non-profit membership association. NGEAO is comprised of upstream, midstream and

downstream natural gas and energy companies, as well as a corollary service companies who rely on Oklahoma’s natural gas and energy industry for existence. We are

managed as a 100% volunteer organization, with each officer and board member donating their time, energy and talent to the organization’s cause.

Job Opportunities...

Energy Jobs Network Link: http://ngeao.energyjobsnetwork.com/home/home.cfm?site_id=12940

Gas Hag Luncheon... Wednesday, September 12 Los Cabos Restaurant in Broken Arrow 10:45am-1:00pm
Contact Linda Roberts 713-207-3390/linda.roberts@centerpointenergy.com

Last week I attended the funeral of the mother of my dear friend and this quote is an excerpt from the Beatles song, Let it Be, that was performed at her service. The song as her death is about leaving problems behind and moving on in life.

“And when the broken hearted people living in the world agree
There will be an answer, let it be
For though they may be parted, there is still a chance that they will see
There will be an answer, let it be”

Paul McCartney