

NOGS External Affairs Committee April 2011 Report — Michael A Fogarty Chairman

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The Division of Professional affairs promotes professionalism and ethical standards for the AAPG. It provides a means for professional certification and assists in career planning. Those who have yet to join the DPA will find on this website certification applications, the current newsletter of the DPA (The Correlator), reports from the Governmental Affairs committee and more. DPA members have access to their PDH form, ethics training and TrendTrack - the tool used for tracking state and federal legislation.

[The Correlator - 1st Quarter 2011](#)

Highlights from this issue include reports from DPA leadership, professional development tips and ethics reviews.

PDH Form Available

The [Professional Development Hours](#) form is available for applying your credits for 2010. Build up your credits and become a Board Certified Member of DPA.

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[Ethics Online Courses](#)

The DPA now has two online Ethic courses and examinations available! The Ethics Storybooks with Tales from the Oil Patch by John Gibson and, Dilemmas of Trust by Judge Lynn Hughes are videos that take about an hour to complete along with questions that follow. Watch the video as many times as you like. Successfully completing the questions qualifies each person for one (1) Professional Development Hour (PDH).

[Oil and Gas Related Tax Issues in President Obama's FY2010 Budget](#)

Latest Position Statement:

The AAPG has issued a [new position statement on Geologic Carbon Storage](#) that “urges the expansion of funding for scientific research on permanent carbon storage and for the scientific research related to reservoir performance.”

Issue Advisory: [Research and Development Needs of the U.S. Independent Oil and Gas Producer](#)

This paper identifies five technical areas essential to enabling the nation's independent oil and natural gas producers to deliver the petroleum resources that U.S. consumers require for everyday living. It was prepared as a reference document for the use of the [AAPG Geoscience & Energy Office](#) in Washington, D.C. as it communicates with policy makers.

[Oil and gas related tax issues](#)

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[Recent Events](#)

- **AAPG President Dave Rensink submits [comments to BOEMRE](#)** on 2012-2017 OCS 5-Year Program. (March 2011)
- **AAPG President Dave Rensink submits [comments on use of moratoria](#)** to Bipartisan Policy Center and the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill and Offshore Drilling (August 2010)
- **AAPG President John Lorenz submits [comments to Bureau of Ocean Energy](#)** on proposed EIS for 2012-2017 OCS 5-year program (June 2010)
- **AAPG President John Lorenz submits [comments to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service](#)** on their comprehensive conservation plan for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (June 2010)
- **AAPG President John Lorenz submits [written testimony to Senate energy and water appropriations](#)** subcommittee in support of Department of Energy programs (May 2010)
- **AAPG President John Lorenz submits [written testimony to Senate interior and environment appropriations subcommittee](#)** in support of U.S. Geological Survey programs (May 2010)
- **AAPG President [John Lorenz submits written testimony to House energy and water appropriations subcommittee](#)** in support of Department of Energy programs (March 2010)

- AAPG President [John Lorenz submits](#) written testimony to House interior and environment appropriations subcommittee in support of U.S. Geological Survey programs (March 2010)
- DPA Governmental Affairs Committee Issue Advisory: [Research and Development Needs of the U.S. Independent Oil and Gas Producer](#). February 2010
- AAPG President [John Lorenz writes](#) the Office of Science and Technology Policy on improving public access to the results of federally-funded research. January 2010

Action Alerts

The [GAC Action Alert](#) email system will allow AAPG members to make comments on



issues identified that would benefit from credible AAPG input.

Stay on top of legislation in your area. [TrendTrack](#) is a service provided by the Division of Professional Affairs (DPA). It is focused on legislation on the state level and highlights actions that will impact the oil and gas industry.

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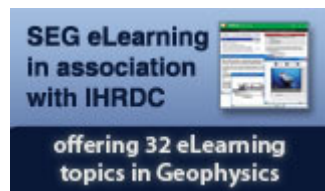
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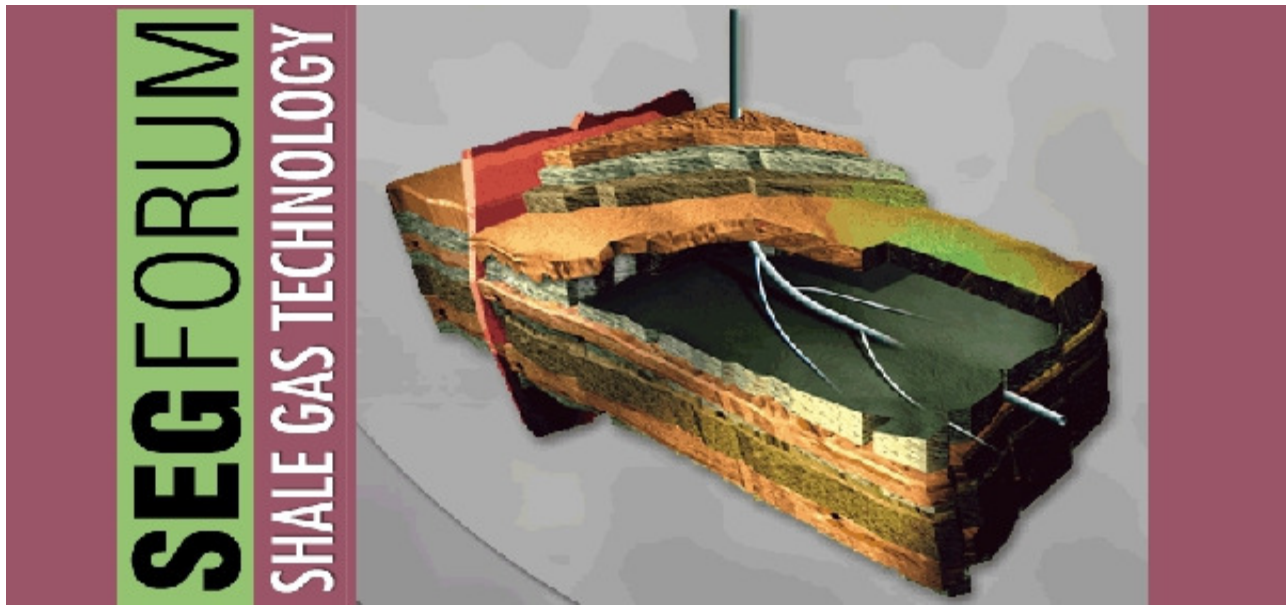
[SEG adds new online courses through IHRDC](#)

SEG chose the International Human Resources Development Corporation (IHRDC) as a preferred provider for its online learning courses.

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Follow all aspects of shale gas business and technology Don't miss the Shale Gas Technology Forum in Chengdu, Sichua, China, 30 March - 1 April 2011.



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[***From Shale Gas to "Liquids Rich": Learnings and Best Practices***](#)

11 - 12 Apr | Palos Verdes, California



[***Digital Energy Conference & Exhibition***](#)

19 - 21 Apr | The Woodlands, Texas, United States 



[***Reducing Environmental Footprint in Shale Gas Development***](#)

27 - 28 Apr | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



[Offshore Technology Conference](#)

2 - 5 May | Houston, Texas, United States

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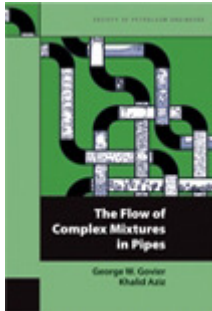
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Nominations for 2013 SPE President, Board of Directors Announced

At its most recent meeting, the Board of Directors approved a slate of candidates to stand for election to the Board for the 2012-2014 term. Information on the nominees is available in the [April JPT](#). If no petitions for a ballot election are received from the SPE membership by 1 June, the nominees will be considered elected and will begin their 3-year terms following ATCE in November 2011.

ALERT: Fraudulent Check Warning

It has come to our attention that criminals are using SPE's corporate name in an attempt to commit fraud on the public. In each case, an individual receives a fraudulent check with SPE's name as the payer, along with a San Francisco address. SPE is in no way involved in this fraud scheme. [Find out more >>](#)

Nominate your colleagues to be a distinguished lecturer by 1 July

Distinguished Lecturers are nominated by their peers, and selected by the Distinguished Lecture Committee. Nominations are solicited from each region of the world to cover all disciplines. [Nominate someone now >>](#)

Gus Archie Memorial Scholarship deadline April 30

The Gus Archie Memorial Scholarship awards an outstanding student who plans to enter a university and pursue an undergraduate degree in petroleum engineering. [Find out more >>](#)

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[Slugging It Out XIX](#)

11 Apr | Calgary, Alberta 



[Tight Reservoir Completions: Technology Applications and Best Practices](#)

3 - 5 May | Banff, Alberta, Canada 



[Canadian Unconventional Resources Conference](#)

15 - 17 Nov | Calgary, Alberta 

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Call for Papers open

[Arctic and Extreme Environments](#), 18-20 October 2011 in Moscow, Russia.
Submission deadline is 29 April.

[Canadian Unconventional Resources Conference](#), 15-17 November 2011 in Calgary, AB Canada. Submission deadline is 25 April.

[SPE Eastern Regional Meeting](#), 17-19 August 2011 in Columbus, Ohio.
Submission deadline is 25 April.

[SPE Intelligent Energy International](#), 27-29 March 2012 in Utrecht, The Netherlands.

Submission deadline is 15 June.

[Heavy Oil Conference & Exhibition](#), 12-14 December 2011 in Kuwait City, Kuwait.

Submission deadline is 26 June.

[View all](#) upcoming call for paper opportunities.