



NHAPL NEWSLETTER – JANUARY 2010

North Houston Association of Professional Landmen

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2009/2010 Meeting Schedule		
January 21, 2010	NHAPL/HAPL/WHAPL Joint Luncheon	Petroleum Club
February 4, 2010	Half-Day Seminar	Anadarko Tower
February 10-12, 2010	NAPE Expo	George Brown
March 11, 2010	Monthly Luncheon	Greenspoint Club
April 8, 2010	Monthly Luncheon	Greenspoint Club



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NEXT MEETING

Date: January 21, 2010

Place: Petroleum Club

Time: 11:30 AM
Joint Luncheon

Speaker: G Rimmer Covington, CPL
AAPL President

Topic: AAPL Update

CPL & RPL, CPLTA Credits: (1)

RSVP by Monday, January 18, 2010
Online at www.hapl.org

<u>NHAPL Committee Chairpersons:</u>	
Luncheons & Speakers	Randy Helms
Half-Day Seminar	Glen Mauldin
Golf Tournament	Joe Edgar
Socials	Charles Duffy, III Caleb Fielder
NHAPL Astros Night	Justin F Foley
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A New Year, A New Beginning

The new year brings hope of a new beginning, a time to realize our dreams. Some plan, some set goals, some set resolutions, while others bask in their prior year's success. However, as many struggle to find jobs the new year brings with it the opportunity to look again with a fresh perspective.

Perhaps we may be looking for ideas to successfully market ourselves and may benefit from using the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) theory utilized in the marketing world and often used in assessing project potential. By honestly assessing your strengths and weaknesses, the opportunities and the threats of a new position, you may be in a better place to open the door.

Your strengths may include the skills you bring to the table, and your self-assessed weaknesses may become strengths by taking classes or locating a mentor who may teach and inspire you. Whereas a careful analysis will determine if your potential position is an opportunity or a threat. Sometimes a company may look great until you look closer and determine a corporate culture that does not match or meet your needs. Keep in mind that by continuing to build on your strengths throughout your career enhances your marketability.

My hope for this new year is that all of our membership will be gainfully employed and happy, and for those already blessed to have the opportunity to assist those in need of work. We have an area on the NHAPL website where jobs may be posted and ask that you take advantage of this free service. Let's work together and make 2010 the best year ever for the North Houston Association of Professional Landmen.

NHAPL, on your behalf, donated \$750.00 to both "The Giving Tree" and "The Montgomery County Women's Center," at our Christmas luncheon. The donations went to buy clothing and supplies for children in need and support for sheltered families. We thank Tom Schmidt, of "The Giving Tree" and Donna Wick, PhD, Director of Outreach and Communications, of the Women's Center, for providing their organization update.

Our next meeting will be held on January 21, 2010, at the Petroleum Club. We will be joined by the HAPL and the WHAPL, with G Rimmer Covington, AAPL President, as speaker.

The spring half-day seminar will be held at Anadarko on February 4, 2010. Please scroll down for a program itinerary contributed by Glen Mauldin, Secretary and Spring Seminar Chair and your AAPL report provided by Region IV Director, Charles Wetegrove.

Cynthia D Hardin, RPL

2010 Spring Seminar

By: Glen Mauldin, CPL

The 2010 NHAPL Half-Day Seminar is scheduled for Thursday, February 4, in Allison Hall at the office of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, 1201 Lake Robbins Dr, The Woodlands from 1:00 until 5:00 PM. Lunch and registration will begin at noon. Social to follow at Landry's. The program will provide four (4) CPL/RPL/RL Recertification Credits and will include one (1) ethics credit.

Paul Nielsen will discuss the strengths and short-comings of the AAPL Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice.

Paul Yale of Looper, Reed & McGraw will discuss the analysis of Oil and Gas Title Opinion Requirements. Remaining speakers to be announced.

The NHAPL wishes to express its most sincere appreciation to Anadarko Petroleum, Southwestern Energy and Oasis Petroleum for their generous sponsorship of this event.

The AAPL Region IV Director's Report

By: Charles E. Wetegrove, CPL

The December 6, 2009 AAPL Quarterly BOD meeting was held in Huntington Beach, CA.

AAPL President, Rimmer Covington, opened the meeting with a general overview of AAPL's status. NAPE will be down about 10%, but all in well.

AAPL Treasurer, Randy Nichols, reported that AAPL's finances are recovering well (up about 34%).

AAPL 3rd VP, Richard Hines, prepared a GPS type map which showed the locations of all AAPL members in graphic form.

Texas Licensing has no active challenges. All AAPL BOD members will be asked to sign a conflict of interest agreement to comply with Sarbanes-Oxley (non-profits). The Department of Interior's newest edict puts emphasis of environmental studies under a "global warming" umbrella.

Bernie Ulincy, AAPL Education Chair, asked for input on what kind of programs "you all" want, so let me know.

Fracing in the Delaware River Basin in NY has been challenged by the EPA & NY City, but land owners want it, guess they like the royalty money that PA residents are getting.

There was discussion on whether AAPL should look into a standard "wind energy" lease form, written by AAPL to head off a mass influx of unrelated competing forms.

Next AAPL BOD meeting is March 20, 2010 in Louisville, KY.

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