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WELCOME GENERAL DINNER MEETING Tuesday, April 18, 2006

SPEAKER: Bruce H. Hesson
PLACE: American Legion Hall
2020 H St., Bakersfield, CA
TIME: Tech. Session: 6:00 p.m.
Social Hour: 6:30 p.m.
Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Speaker: 8:00 p.m.
Price: \$20

logging engineer with NL McCullough from 1983 to 1985, and with Flo-Log Production Logging from 1985 to 1987.

He is an active member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), having held several section officer positions in both the California Coastal and the Los Angeles Basin sections. In November 1997 Bruce received an SPE Section Service Award for his public outreach activities that included giving numerous presentations at elementary schools about the importance of the oil industry. Bruce has also published several division and SPE articles.

TOPIC:

The Eureka Canyon oil field is one of the oldest in Ventura County, California, discovered in 1893 due to the presence of natural oil seeps. The field is located near the City of Piru, south of State Highway 126 and the Santa Clara River, with the wells located in two canyons named Smith and Eureka. Comprising approximately 920 acres, 112 wells have been drilled in this field with many of them drilled using cable tool rigs. T.E.G. Oil & Gas USA, Inc. (TEG) currently produces 16 barrels of oil per day from eight wells in Smith Canyon, with production from the Miocene formation found at an average depth of 1,800 feet. Due to marginal production, all the wells in the Eureka Canyon area of the field were abandoned or left orphaned when the last operators of record became defunct. Some of these wells are in a remote, steeply sloped area of Eureka Canyon that became inaccessible over time due to dense growth of chaparral.

Wild fires rampaged through Ventura County in October 2003, impacting 24 oil fields, including Eureka Canyon. While conducting field inspections following the fires to assess damage and during subsequent well work, the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources (Division) located and identified seventeen previously inaccessible orphan wells, thirteen without wellheads. As a safety and spill prevention measure the Division secured these wells. Record rainfall in 2005 washed out lease roads and compromised some of the well locations due to mud and rockslides. With TEG not interested in acquiring these orphan wells the Division contracted to have them, and a total of 23 orphan wells in the Eureka Canyon oil field, permanently plugged and

There will NOT be a RSVP card in your newsletter, so please call or email Julie Grassi with your name by MONDAY April 17th. She will then fill out a ticket with your name on it to make sure you are still included in the door prize drawing at the end of the meeting.

Please call or email Julie Grassi, at 654-7576 or JGrassi@chevron.com.



BIOGRAPHY:

Bruce H. Hesson is a District Deputy with the California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources in Ventura. He has served in a variety of capacities with the Division in the Long Beach, Cypress and Ventura offices over the last nineteen years.

Bruce graduated in 1983 from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Petroleum Engineering and has been registered since 1997. Prior to joining the Division in 1987, Bruce was employed as a

abandoned. This paper will present a brief field history and the Division's efforts to locate, identify, secure, and abandon these wells.

TECHNICAL SESSION

SPEAKER: Scott Hebert

TOPIC: "Multi Zone Frac Stimulation Technology"

Scott Hebert is a Business Development Manager for Baker Oil Tools, North America in Houston Texas. Mr. Hebert is a graduate of University of Louisiana Lafayette in Industrial Technology and has over 13 years of oil field operations experience. Scott was Involved in the Design and Execution of the first two Horizontal Gravel Packs performed for Petrobras, Brazil. Second well became a record producer in Brazilian waters, as well as set a world record for the deepest Horizontal completed from a floater. (Co Author SPE 56783) Involved in establishing a Frac Paq market in Pascara Italy, Design and Execution of first BOT Frac Pack completed for AGIP, Italy. (Ivana Project) Scott is now actively marketing and developing product offerings and application designs in the multi zone frac stimulation market.

TECHNICAL SESSION SPONSOR

There will be a drawing for 2 generously donated \$50 gift certificates for those who come and actively participate in the tech session event. This month's sponsorship is courtesy of Steve Sheffield of Sheffield Construction Inc.

Technical Session Speakers Needed!

The API is a great organization with many resources for networking and sharing information. Come and get the most of what the API has to offer and share in "what's new" in our industry. Come be a speaker or give us your idea on a topic or recommended speaker for our session. Please contact the following for further information and bookings:

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CHAPTER NEWS

Membership

Membership runs from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2006. If you have any changes during the year please email [James E Dean@bjservices.com](mailto:James_E_Dean@bjservices.com) or call him at 805-8690. You may access an electronic version of the membership application on our website at the link provided above.

API Golf tournament and BBQ

The annual API golf tournament is scheduled for Friday, May 5th. Check out the flyer and gather your teams together for registration. If you would like more information please contact George Gray at 496- 7730.

API Adopt a Highway

The first Adopt-A-Highway for 2006 will be Saturday, May 20th. We will meet at 7AM at The Golden Bull (Left on HWY 58 to State Hwy 43). There will be a fifteen passenger Van available to transport you out to the pick up site or you can meet us there. Please wear long pants and high-topped shoes or boots. We will provide safety vest, gloves, drinking water, and soft drinks.

API will now adopt Hwy 43 Enis Lane from Stockdale to Rosedale. This new stretch of clean up area is much easier and safer than the previous area. There are no steep embankments, so there is no excuse not to join in on the FUN!

American Cancer Society Bakersfield Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society's Relay For Life is fast approaching. The Relay for Life will take place on May 6th & 7th on the Soccer Fields at CSUB on Stockdale Highway. Walking times are between 9:00 AM Saturday and 8:00 AM Sunday. All team members and their families are invited for a spaghetti dinner on the field the Friday night before the Relay, and there will be food available throughout the 24 hour Relay. API / Black Gold Productions is one of the top ten supporters of the ACS Bakersfield Relay For Life, which is the largest relay event in the state of California, and the third largest in the nation. Last year we were the recipient of one of the American Cancer Society's most prestigious awards at their annual awards banquet. We were also nominated for a Beautiful Bakersfield Award for a Humanitarian Group because of our contribution to the Relay For Life.

This year we have set a goal of contributing \$25,000 to the Relay For Life, which would make the API / Black Gold team a Visionary Sponsor, the highest level of sponsorship. We have almost reached that goal through the proceeds of our show this year but we need a little bit more to put us over the top. We are asking for your support in a couple of different ways. The API / BGP team needs more team members to help us man the relay track for the entire 24 hours of the event. Each team member is required to bring in at least \$100 for the Relay for Life. If you cannot actually participate in the Relay itself on the day of the event, you can still join the team and support it with the contributions that you raise. We also need team members to bring in sponsorship money by joining our team and soliciting your friends to support your efforts in the Relay. If you feel that you can't join the team, but want to support the API in this endeavor, you can pledge your support to one of the

other team members by going to the ACS Relay Website.

To join the team, or support a team member, or find out more about Relay for Life, you can go to the ACS Website with the following address: www.acsevents.org/relay/ca/bakersfield. Then follow the steps that are briefly outlined here. It is actually very easy to do.

1. Click on the "Sign Up Here" link on the left side under "Get Involved"
2. Click on "I Agree" (if you do)
3. Join A Team
4. Select API/Black Gold Productions
5. Continue
6. Fill out the information (I know, it's a lot)
7. Continue on

Please consider joining or supporting your API team. If you need more information or would like to discuss the event or our team, you can contact our team captain Joe Davidson at jddavidson@aeraenergy.com, or Mike Handren at (661) 395-5334 or mhandren@plainsxp.com.

2006 API Scholarship

API SCHOLARSHIPS

The San Joaquin Valley Chapter awards scholarships to college students who wish to pursue a career in the petroleum industry or a closely related field. These scholarships are awarded to local deserving students who are attending college or are seniors in high school. Applications are available on our website at www.apibakersfield.org or contact Randy Adams at 661-334-3672. The application deadline is May 12, 2006.

HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Call for nominees for "Honorary Lifetime Membership." Any individual who has been a member of our chapter for a total of ten years, has served on the executive board for five years and has retired – may be eligible for the honor of lifetime membership. If you are aware of any such individuals who have met these requirements, please contact Ron Bender at 829-1368 with your nomination.

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Jason Industrial, API Golf Committee, Robin Brassfield-Robin's EnviroVac, Dave Lefler-MacPherson Oil, Charlie McWhortert-Wilson, Starlyn brown-Clariant, Gloria Williams-Occidental
 For the Raffle prizes for the **March 2006** meeting.
THANK YOU Steve Lewallen!
 Sponsor of February's Tech Session for 2 generously donated \$50 gift certificates Come and share with us what's new in our industry!

A special thanks to **Starlyn Brown** for supplying the **March** refreshments.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April						
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May						
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7 Relay for Life	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 API	17	18	19	20 Adopt A HWY
21	22	23	24	25 AADE SPE	26	27
28	29	30 NACE	31			

If you would like an industry event posted in the calendar, call Jodi King, ELCO Incorporated, at 661-837-4980 or email, jking@elcoinc.com or Gloria Williams, Occidental of Elk Hills, at 763-6014 or email, gloria.Williams@oxy.com

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