SOOGA EXPANDS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

By: Wes Mossor, Membership Meeting Chairman

The SOOGA Board of Trustees and events committee is excited to announce an expanded Annual Membership Meeting this spring. We will continue our commitment to adding value for you and your company’s membership in the Southeastern Ohio Oil and Gas Association. As your Board of Trustees, we are always looking for ways to provide you with timely, accurate and usable information on current issues, developments and concerns facing our industry and respective businesses on the national and local level and their impact to you.

Our historical membership meeting format has, in the past, not allowed us the opportunity to present more than a couple of speakers or presenters, therefore limiting what we could offer. We have put together an agenda and schedule that allows us to provide you with additional workshops and speakers. We have also continued the traditional presentations of the Marietta College Petroleum Engineering and Geology students’ research projects and the Paul Fulton Memorial Fund Awards. Also, take advantage of the always important networking opportunities throughout the day.

Additional information, tentative agenda and registration form can be found on pages 20 and 21. We look forward to seeing you there and encourage taking full advantage of these changes. Please contact the SOOGA office if you need additional information, at 740-374-3203.

PAUL FULTON UPDATE

As always the generosity of the SOOGA members has exceeded our expectations, to date we have added over $9000.00 to the memorial fund. Additional donations are still being accepted. Thank You again for your generosity.

Sincerely,
Don Huck,
Paul Fulton Fund Committee Chairman.

**Check the SOOGA website for more information on the Paul Fulton Fund and other SOOGA events.**

www.sooga.org
It is an honor to assume the office of president of this growing, vibrant organization. Thanks to Steve for two great years of service and leadership, growing our membership to record levels. The bar has been set high.

There is no doubt among any of us that the next several months are going to be challenging. The market alone will change our plans dramatically, but we will have to be extra diligent to monitor and try to have input into any proposed changes in taxes and increased requirements by regulating agencies. SOOGA has a great history of effectively communicating our positions to legislative bodies, and must continue to do so now more than ever.

This slow down is nothing new to most of our members. The economy overheats when energy prices are low. Supplies decrease because we are not able to drill or fix as much and prices start backup. Prices increase moderately and activity starts to pick up, than a significant event such as an embargo, hurricane or rush of speculators drive the price up dramatically, we become the bad guys again, and demand tanks. The result is an even more dramatic decrease in prices that kills activity. And you thought roller coasters were supposed to be fun.

Through each of these cycles, that seem to come and go quicker with more dramatic swings, the SOOGA membership continues to do their work and look forward to the correction that puts them back on top. The Executive Committee, staff and Board of Trustees will continue to do our best to keep you abreast of what’s happening and our recommendations of how SOOGA can help shape policy.

Be safe and stay strong.

Gene Huck,
President
2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 16, 2009  
Spring Membership Meeting  
Comfort Inn, Marietta OH  
Social Hour 6-7 p.m., Meeting 7-9 p.m.

April 24, 2009  
Spring Clay Shoot  
Hilltop Sports, Whipple OH

May 22, 2009  
Spring Golf Outing  
Marietta Country Club, Marietta, OH

August 28, 2009  
Fall Golf Outing  
Marietta Country Club, Marietta, OH

September 17, 2009  
6th Annual Oil & Gas Trade Show  
Washington County Fairgrounds, Marietta, OH

September 25, 2009  
B.D. Oil Gathering  
Annual Hog Roast  
Mitchells Lane, Marietta, OH

October 16, 2009  
Clay Shoot  
Hill Top Sporting Clays, LLC Whipple, OH

November 1-November 30, 2009  
Annual Fall Gun Giveaway

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Your participation would be greatly appreciated.
**50 years ago**

(Article taken from Feb, 2009 Marietta Times.)

There were three 12-cent cuts in Buckeye grade Pennsylvania crude oil in 1958, according to the Ohio Oil and Gas Association. The past 10 years have seen Buckeye grade drop from $4.05 a barrel to the $3.25 now being paid by the Quaker State Refining Co. at St. Marys, W.Va.
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TIM MCNUTT  
Dominion East Ohio
OBITUARY

Ronald J. Markey
(March 24, 1956 - January 4, 2009)

Ronald J. “Ron” Markey, 52, of 40921 Kindall Road, Woodsfield, Ohio died Sunday, January 4, 2009 at his home.

He was born at Akron, Ohio on March 24, 1956 a son of Dorothy Griffin Markey who survives of Lower Salem, Ohio and the late John R. Markey.

Ron was a 1974 graduate of Skyvue High School, Graysville, Ohio; was technical specifications for Arnold Flexmag Industries in Marietta, Ohio; he was also a co-owner of R&R Oil & Gas LLC and Roma Oil & Gas. He attended the Hartshorn Ridge Church of Christ near Graysville, Ohio and was a U.S. Army veteran. Ron enjoyed hunting and being with his dogs and his family.

Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, Cathy Kindall Markey whom he married on February 14, 1998; two daughters: Courtney Markey of Columbus, Ohio and Kasia (Shannon) Glancy of McKinney, Texas; one step-daughter: Caitlin Habig of Woodsfield, Ohio; two step-sons: Stephen Habig of Nelsonville, Ohio and Michael Habig of Woodsfield, Ohio; one brother: Richard (Robin) Markey of Lower Salem, Ohio; two nieces: Tatum Mincks and Caitlyn Markey; one nephew: Brandon Markey.

Friends will be received at the Watters Funeral Home, 37501 State Route 78 West, Woodsfield, Ohio from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, January 7, 2009 where funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 8, 2009. Burial will be held at the convenience of the family.

Ron was a member of Southeastern Ohio Oil and Gas Association.
This is the time of year when most people begin to think about what taxes they may owe when they prepare their tax return beginning in January. Fortunately, a number of techniques can be used to legitimately lower your income taxes either this year or next, if that’s appropriate. Not all techniques may apply in your particular situation, but let’s take a look at a few to get you started.

Deferring Income
Deferring income is still possible, even if you work for someone else. For example, be sure you are contributing as much as you are able to your employer’s qualified plan, 401(k), or an IRA. This reduces dollar for dollar — your income for the year.

Maximize Current Deductions
Always calculate whether it might be advantageous to itemize deductions on your tax return. This may allow you to capture greater deductions than allowed when you don't itemize.

Many deductions can be controlled by adjusting when you pay them. It’s often best to “bunch” deductions in a particular year for maximum effect. One classic example is being sure to make mortgage and state and local tax payments (such as real estate) in December, to capture deductions in the current tax year, when appropriate.

Be sure you keep good records and retain every statement from the bank concerning interest payments you make on borrowed funds, such as your first and second mortgage and home equity loans.

Charitable Contributions
There’s a reason you get so many charitable solicitations in December! Many taxpayers adjust the timing of their contributions according to their income in a given year, accelerating contributions into December when such gifts can help lower unusually high income for that year.

Capital campaign pledges can be satisfied when it makes sense for your tax situation, not just when the charity sends you a reminder notice.

Investment Sales
Take great care in determining when to sell investments because these are taxable events.

Consideration should be given to: the type of asset, the holding period, early withdrawal penalties, income tax application, your tax basis in the asset, and any other unique tax features of that particular investment. Your tax adviser can help you with this important process.

Many investors time losses to offset gains in a given year. The rules surrounding these issues aren’t simple, but they can yield optimal results when carefully factored into the sale decision.

Gifting to Family Members
Gifting to members of your family can save total taxes by shifting income to those in lower tax brackets. In 2005, each individual can give $11,000 each to any number of family members without incurring gift taxes.

Future income from those assets will be taxed to the recipient in their tax bracket. Special rules apply to gifts to your children under 14, so once again you’ll want to seek expert help in this area.

These are just some of the techniques available to you to help lower your income taxes. Check with your financial adviser regarding these, and other, effective planning techniques.

Note: Specific tax or legal questions should be answered by your own tax adviser or legal counsel.
2008 - MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

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**TOTAL: 328**

2008 Membership Drive

Was a great “Success”

20 members signed up 57 New Members in 2008.

We added another 7 from the SOOGA website and 18 from mailings, for a

TOTAL of 82 NEW MEMBERS

The Membership Drive Contest was won by Wes Mossor and Billie Liester each signed up 17 new members. A large portion of the winning prize was donated by the winners to the

Paul Fulton Fund.

The New Member drawing for the GPS unit was won by

Adam Wynn with Weatherford International

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Thanks to Everyone for Your Efforts During 2008

Your Board Wishes To Challenge Every Member to Sign up a New Member In 2009
PRICING

Prices February 10, 2009 at open.

- One Year NYMEX strip (March, 2009 – February, 2010) $5.56
- Summer NYMEX strip (April, 2009 – October, 2009) $5.17
- Winter NYMEX strip (November, 2009 – March, 2010) $6.48

TCO Index Posting - February, 2009 $4.85
DTI Index Posting - February, 2009 $5.03

Gas prices have been held down considerably from this time last year due to storage being adequate for this winter’s heating season, and with the thought that the storage carry over into next winter’s season will be a surplus compared to last year. Other factors are the economic demand destruction in the industrial and electricity sectors that has occurred due to the financial crisis, some thinking that it will be a 1 to 2 % or greater decline from historical levels, as well as the increase in first quarter production from new drilling and current production levels, both onshore and from the Gulf coming back on line from last year’s hurricanes estimated to be at a 6 % or better increase above last year at this time.

Beyond the first quarter, the market will be increasingly reliant on hydro issues, an exceptionally hot summer, or an early and exceptionally active hurricane season at which point a price floor will have already been established.

GAS STORAGE AS OF January 2nd., 2009 Report

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GATHERCO

Retainage for October is as follows for the Gatherco systems. Treat was 11.59%, Miley was 9.87%, Meigs was 5.00%, York was 5.00%, and Grimes was 22.1%.

DOMINION EAST OHIO GAS

The new East Ohio Heat Content Agreement is on the SOOGA website. Please review it at your earliest opportunity.

Some producers are seeing higher line pressures in some areas on Dominion East Ohio, resulting in reduced deliveries during construction on some of the Enhancement projects.

Hopefully as construction is completed, the deliverability in those affected areas will return to normal.

(Continued on page 14)
The Woodfield Budget was approved, and they have 96% participation from the producers, including Gatherco. The payoff on this project is anticipated to take less than 5 years.

The compressor will be in service in July, 2009.

RT69 – In service by May, 2009 to the PPP line.

8” Pipeline to Carlisle – in service by July, 2009 with compressor.

There is a copy of the project available for viewing and use at the SOOGA office.

CNR/COLUMBIA GAS TRANSMISSION

The Eastern Kentucky CNR producers are currently flowing as colder weather has returned.

The current FT offering on TCO dated June 15, 2007 for producers in Eastern Kentucky and Southern West Virginia from their metered receipt points to delivery points in located in market Area 19 upstream of Lanham Compressor Station is still in process, with precedent agreements having been sent out to the parties who have submitted bids for the capacity. Further updates will be posted as information becomes available. Current producer speculation is that this offering will not come to fruition.

COBRA PIPELINE COMPANY, LLC

Effective February 6, 2008, Cobra Pipeline Company LLC purchased The Churchtown, North Trumbull, and Holmesville systems from Columbia Gas Transmission. Cobra took over the ownership and management of those systems on that date.

The operational and marketing notes for producers to read which was published in the Insider and mailed to members will hopefully give some idea as to how this system will operate under the new owners going forward, along with phone numbers and contact information for any questions that you may have.

EQUITABLE

The Big Sandy Pipeline, being built to take gas from Eastern Kentucky into the Tennessee Pipeline system, is in the process of laying pipe, and working to get added electric facilities to handle their processing of the gas before delivery into Tennessee. The 130,000/day pipeline is in service now. More information and updates will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

DOMINION TRANSMISSION

Dominion Peoples and Dominion Hope sold to Australian firm

On July 2, Dominion Announced its plans to sell Dominion Peoples and Dominion Hope natural gas distribution companies to Babcock & Brown Infrastructure Fund North America (BBIFNA), a San Francisco based infrastructure fund that owns and manages utilities and other infrastructure assets for $910 million, under an agreement expected to close in 2009.

Dominion Peoples serves about 359,000 residences and businesses in Pennsylvania from it headquarters in Pittsburgh, and Dominion Hope serves about 115,000 residences and businesses in West Virginia in Clarksburg, WV. Together they serve approximately 12 percent of Dominion’s 4 million electric and natural gas utility customer accounts in the mid-Atlantic and Midwest.

Dominion held a meeting on July 21, 2008 at Stonewall Resort in Roanoke, WV, to provide an update on the Appalachian Gateway Project. The Project summary is set out below:

- Proposed Available Capacity

  - Pods 365,120 dt/d
  - EBAs 253,801 dt/d

  Total Capacity 618,921 dt/d
Estimated Capital Requirements

- Transmission $650 million
- Processing $275 million
- Gathering $87 million

Total Investment $1,012 billion

In addition to the above, DTI personnel discussed Transmission Facility Scope, Receipt Point Pods with volumes, Firm Transport details, the Appalachian Supply & Transmission Nomination Process, FT Capacity Release Review, the Precedent Agreement Terms and Conditions, the Project Rate (current preliminary unit rate is $.48), Creditworthiness, and the Appalachian Gateway Timeline below:

- July 2, 2008 Producer update meeting
- July 22, 2008 Meeting with all Gateway bidders
- Aug. 8, 2008 Capacity ownership determination
- Aug. 15, 2008 Send executable PA’s to customers
- Sept. 5, 2008 Accept all executed PA’s received at DTI’s office by 5:00 PM EDT – Prorate capacity, if necessary
- Sept. 5, 2008 After 5:00 PM EDT, accept executed PA’s on a first come, first serve basis
- Sept. 22, 2008 P.A. execution window closes
- Oct. 1, 2009 File FERC Certificate
- Sept. 30, 2010 Receive FERC Certificate
- 4Q, 2011 In-Service

A copy of the Appalachian Gateway Project meeting on July 22, 2008 is available at the SOOGA office, and you can view it online at the following DTI website.

http://escript.dom.com/info_post/infoDocumentation.jsp?&company=dti

Per the article in the latest Insider, DTI will lower their gathering rates effective for the period 2009 through 2011. The rate for over-all gathering and extraction will go from the current 12.5% down to 11% for the upcoming period. This rate includes 10.5% (4.3% of which is fuel retainage) for gathering and 0.5% for products extraction (all of which is fuel retainage). As part of the settlement, DTI agreed to continue supporting its gathering and extraction business by investing an average of at least $20,000,000 per year in Appalachian gathering and products extraction plant.

Dominion has been doing some compressor and engine repairs on their wet systems, which has resulted in higher line pressures and short term shut-ins of production throughout the fall season. Please stay in touch with your marketer for any notices of shut-ins and curtailments. You can use the link set out below, and click on “Appalachian Producer Notices” on a daily basis to keep in touch with maintenance that may affect your wells and production.

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Currently, there are no specific OSHA regulations covering driving of cars, trucks, and other on-road vehicles (there are regulations covering forklifts and other powered industrial trucks). However, OSHA’s General Duty Clause requires employers to maintain a workplace free of hazards. It makes sense for employers to require employees to follow safe driving practices like wearing seat belts when driving or riding in motor vehicles on company business. Although there are no specific OSHA training requirements for driving, following safe practices can reduce accidents and even save lives.

More people are killed or injured in motor vehicle accidents than in any other way, both on and off the job. Here are a few statistics for a typical recent year:

- Motor vehicle accidents are the number one cause of all accidental deaths, accounting for nearly half of them.
- More than 40,000 motor vehicle deaths.
- More than 2 million disabling injuries caused by motor vehicles.
- More than $60 billion of lost wages and productivity due to motor vehicle deaths and injuries.

**Identifying Hazards**

- Ignoring traffic signs and signals
- Following too close to another vehicle
- Driving in the wrong lane
- Failing to yield to another vehicle
The following article falls under the phrase “be careful what you wish for”. Your editors would remind the membership that “once a wetland - always a wetland”. Members considering such construction should carefully work with the surface owner as some may not want their land to be given a wetland designation.

Many years ago a farmer near where we now live constructed a small pond for a water source for his cattle. The pond was oval shaped, about 30 feet long and no more than 20 feet wide. It wasn’t very deep, but didn’t freeze solid in the winter. I know this because bullfrogs lived there. Bullfrogs spend a complete year as tadpoles and must have at least some water year around. I loved to sit on the front porch on summer nights and listen to that deep bass bawl that is unique to bullfrogs and can’t really be mistaken for anything else.

Every year in late February, just as winter was loosening its’ grip, a fine chorus from wood frogs and spring peepers would emanate from the little pond. It would generally be too cold to sit on the porch and listen, but I could hear the serenading when I got out of the truck at the mailbox in the evening. Later in the spring red winged black birds would fight over nesting locations in the cattails that ringed the pond. Two or three pairs would be there all summer bringing off brood after brood, the scarlet shoulder patch in stark contrast to their black bodies. Sometimes a pair of mallards would loaf on the pond for a few days in March, just resting I guess, during their northward migration. During summer nights bats would flutter close over the water, picking off mosquitoes and dragonflies as they emerged from their larval stages. In the daytime barn swallows liked to skim the surface, it must have been the preferred method of drinking. Crawdads and salamanders were there too, but they don’t make any noise and you have to search to find them.

Fall and winter months meant less activity on the little pond. Stinkpot turtles and snappers that basked at the waters edge during warm weather probably buried into the mud bottom to spend the winter. I know that muskrats stopped by occasionally. I never did see one, but some of the cattail roots would be dug up. I’m sure there were other interesting things going on that I missed.

Then, since cattle hadn’t been on the farm in years, the owner took out the dam of the pond and returned the land to its’ original contours.

I miss it. The bullfrogs, red winged black birds, spring peepers, bats and salamanders miss it too. My wife and I don’t own a lot of land but we have enough to have a little pond of our own. Fortunately, the soils of eastern Ohio and western West Virginia have a very high clay content and hold water well. It won’t cost much to construct - an hour or two with a bulldozer should be all that’s needed.

To a large extent we are all environmentalists, and every oil and gas producer I know loves the outdoors as much as I. With all of the heavy equipment that energy producers have spread around this area they are in a unique position to build many little ponds. Even though the surface owner would have to agree to it, I suspect that there is potential to construct quite a few small wetlands in this region. If there were a well on my property, the producer could do me a big favor without much effort by creating a small pond on the place.

Almost any kind of a small pond is going to harbor plants and animals that you just don’t find elsewhere. Proper construction, however, can greatly enhance the value and aesthetics of a wetland. On April 21 and 22, 2009 a workshop on constructing small wetlands will be held at the Roane-Jackson Technical Center near Ripley WV. This workshop will provide a lot of information in that regard. You’ll learn how to select the best locations for building wetlands, test soils, lay out proposed wetlands, choose construction techniques, work with heavy equipment operators, and establish native plants. It will be taught by a U.S. Forest Service biologist and most of the class time will be in the field actually building wetlands. There is a $75 registration fee for which participants get lunch both days, an instruction manual, and a T Shirt. To register call John Fictner at 304 372-7335. Class size is limited to 35 so be sure to call ahead. For more information see the attached announcement. Creating wetlands is a popular way to mitigate environmental damages these days so you never know when this type of training will come in handy.
OTHERS

Rocky Express Update

UPDATE:

During the Appalachian Marketing Seminar last week in Columbus, Ohio, Bentek made note of progress on the Rocky Express Pipeline. Of particular importance to the Southeast Ohio area is the delay of construction from the Lebanon interconnect to Clarington, Ohio, which has been pushed off until 2009, perhaps to the 3rd Quarter.

Copies of all the presentations presented by the Speaker at this meeting can be found on the OOGA Website at the following link:

http://www.ooga.org/about-ooga/calendar-meetings

Rockies Express Pipeline LLC., announced the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has approved construction of Rockies Express-East (REX-East), which comprises 638 miles of 42inch diameter pipeline that will extend from Audrain County, Mo., to Clarington, Ohio. Construction is expected to begin this summer. Subject to receipt of regulatory approvals, REX-East is expected to begin interim service to the Lebanon Hub in Warren County, Ohio, by Dec. 31, 2008, and be fully operational in the summer of 2009. “The sponsor companies appreciate the timely manner in which the FERC completed its environmental review and authorized the certificate to construct on REX-East,” said Scott Parker, president of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners’ Natural Gas Pipelines group. “We are delighted that more than 1,000 miles of REX are in service, and we look forward to completing the final segment of the project.” The 713-mile REX-West segment which runs from the Cheyenne Hub in Weld County, Colo., to Audrain County, Mo., became fully operational May 20.

The initial 327 miles of REX extends from the Meeker Hub in Rio Blanco County, Colo., to the Wamsutter Hub in Sweetwater County, Wyo., to the Cheyenne Hub. Rockies Express Pipeline LLC is a joint venture of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners (NYSE: KMP), Sempra Pipelines and Storage, a unit of Sempra Energy (NYSE: SRE), and ConocoPhillips (NYSE: COP), and is one of the largest natural gas pipelines to be constructed in North America. When completed, the 1,679-mile pipeline will transport gas from the prolific Rocky Mountain supply basins to markets in the Midwest and East and have a capacity of approximately 1.8 billion cubic feet per day. Binding firm commitments from creditworthy shippers have been secured for all of the capacity on the pipeline. Market conditions for consumables, labor and construction equipment along with certain provisions in the final environmental impact statement have resulted in increased costs for REX and impacted certain projected completion dates. For example, REX currently expects that interim service on REX-East will begin by year end to Lebanon as opposed to its initial projection of Clarington. As previously disclosed, while it is still too early to estimate the precise cost impact, KMP believes that the cost increase will be no more than 5 to 10 percent of the total REX project estimate of approximately $5 billion. KMP is overseeing construction of the project and will operate the pipeline.

For current updates, please utilize the Rex Pipeline Website

http://www.rexpipeline.com/index_east.html
Tentative Agenda

8:00 a.m. -9:00 am  Registration

MORNING SAFETY SEMINAR

9:00 am – 12: Noon  Dynamic Safety Resources

1. Top 10 OSHA Violations in the Oil and Gas Industry
2. OSHA Initiatives and new regulations affecting the Oil and Gas Industry
3. Effective Safety Training for Employees
4. Safety Best Practices - What Works for the Oil and Gas Industry

12: Noon – 1:00 p.m.  Lunch (Available)

AFTERNOON TECHNICAL SESSION

1:00-1:10 p.m. Welcome & Opening Remarks – Gene Huck – President
1:15 p.m.– 2:00 p.m.  OOGEEP – Ronda Reda– OOGEEP A Year in Review--Changing Public Opinion
2:10 p.m.– 3:30 p.m.  Paul Fulton – Student Presentations (20 minutes each)

   Student 1. Clint Perkins   Topic- “Small scale BTU reduction”
   Student 2. Paul Paslay    Topic- “Reservoir characteristics of the Marcellus Shale”
   Student 3. Caleb White    Topic- “Directional drilling in the Appalachian Basin”
   Student 4. Wes Casto      Topic-“Hydraulic fracturing of the Marcellus Shale”

3:30 p.m. 3:45 p.m.  Paul Fulton Awards – Don Huck
3:50 p.m. 4:15 p.m.  Gas Marketing Outlook – Jim Javins 2008 In Review, 2009 and beyond – Where will we go?
4:20 p.m. 4:45 p.m.  Woodsfield Project Update – Brent Breon- Dominion East Ohio Gas

EVENING MEMBERSHIP MEETING

5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.  Social Hour – Buffet, Cash Bar
6:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m.  Welcome & Opening Remarks – Marty Miller - Past President
6:50 p.m. 7:20 p.m.  Ohio Division of Mineral Resources– Chief John Husted - “2009 and 2010 Strategic Planning”
7:25 p.m. 7:55 p.m.  West Virginia Developments and Updates
8:00 p.m. 8:15 p.m.  SOOGA Awards
8:20 p.m. 8:30 p.m.  Door Prizes (MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!!)
8:30 p.m. 8:45 p.m.  Closing

**See registration form on next page**
The legislature is now in session. There has been a surface owners bill introduced into the legislature. Some of the major provisions of the bill are that a landowner would be given a 30 day notice instead of a 15 day notice before any property would be disturbed. There are provisions covering damages and some other parameters in reference to damages. Further, another section of the committee bill would set the statute of limitations for filing damage suits at three years.

Another concern that we have is a proposed change in severance taxes. The change if the bill is introduced is called the First Purchaser Severance Collection Bill. Thusly, your gas marketer would withhold the severance tax from your check. Your wells qualify for the Marginal Well Credit (gas wells producing less than 5 mcf per day or oil wells making less than one half barrel of oil a day) are currently exempt from severance tax. I’m not sure how this would be effected.

We are advising producers to check on your property tax assessments. There have been large increases in our property taxes and you could have mistakes.

A member of the House of Delegates from Pocahontas and Randolph County (William Proudfoot) was killed in an auto accident before Christmas. Mike Ross, an independent producer was named to fill his term.

Two law suits have been consolidated in McDowell County West Virginia to determine if Marcellus wells are going to be classified as shallow or deep wells. If the classification is changed to a deep more rules will apply. A deep well has to be 400 feet from the property line and they must be 3000 feet apart. Further, the surface owner signature is required on the permit.

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**SOOGA MEMBERSHIP MEETING— REGISTRATION FORM:**

SAFETY SEMINAR $25.00 - (Per Person)

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☐ 4. SOCAL HOUR -BUFFET/CASH BAR

☐ 5. MEMBERSHIP MEETING (OPEN TO ALL)

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Henderson Hall revives holiday tour

BOAZ - The annual Christmas holiday tour has returned to Henderson Hall.

The hall is under new management, but visitors could again see the early 19th Century Italianate villa-style home on Old River Road decorated for the Christmas season during the hall's Christmas tour over the past two weekends.

However, this was the first year without Henderson Hall patriarch Michael Rolston, who, with his 19th Century-style beard, could usually be found in the dining room with a dog he introduced as a "Muttus Americanus" breed. Rolston died in December 2007.

During his last two years, Rolston chose not to hold the annual Christmas tours. It was a monumental effort that became too much of a strain. Rolston felt he had an obligation to make the Christmas tour special.

"For a child to see this remarkable place at Christmastime is an enormous chance," Rolston told The Parkersburg News and Sentinel in 2007. "They will never have the chance again to see it in that sort of context, as a child.''

Rolston bequeathed the hall to the West Virginia Oil and Gas Museum, whose director, Dave McKain, was a lifelong friend of Rolston. This is the museum's first year of operating the hall and its Christmas tour.

Parkersburg resident Wilma Schultz, who toured the home Sunday, said she was pleased to see the hall's legacy continue.

"It is a beautiful place. It's something everybody should see. It takes you back in time. I brought my children and grandchildren because I wanted them to see it. I'm glad to see that the Oil and Gas Museum is keeping it up and preserving it," she said.

This year, the hall had a less cluttered, more 19th Century appearance. McKain said the hall has been rearranged to make it appear as it would have more than 100 years.

"We want to present it like it was in 1900, decorated simply, but elegantly and represent this so that it looks like it is lived in," he said.

Vienna historian Cynthia Buskirk said she, like many who knew Rolston, missed having them there. The changes inside, however, help present a clearer view of the history.

"I love the changes, it's more authentic to the period of the house and things have been moved around so it's not so cluttered," she said.

The 29-room brick house was built in 1836 by George Washington Henderson and his wife, Elizabeth Ann Tomlinson Henderson. Additional rooms were built on in the late 1850s. The Henderson farm once occupied 2,600 acres extending north all the way to Highland Avenue in Williamstown. About 65 acres of that land remains a part of the former plantation.

This year, the history of the hall was represented somewhat differently than in the past and a stronger emphasis was placed on the family's role in local, state and national history. A 20-minute video on the hall, produced by the Oil and Gas Museum, traced the hall's history from the Henderson's move to the area - and the homes they lived in previous to constructing the hall - until Rolston's death last year. The video spoke of the Henderson family's role in politics, oil and their status as nationally-known horse breeders and something that had been rarely mentioned before - that the family had owned 100 slaves.

It also spoke of the role the Henderson played in the Blennerhassett Island scandal that ended with former vice president Aaron Burr being tried for treason (he was acquitted) for his part in a conspiracy to establish a new country, by alerting authorities to the conspiracy.

(article taken from Marietta AM. December 22, 2008)
SOUTHEAST GEOLOGY
By: Carl Heinrich

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this series is to provide information on many of the producing zones in Washington County and in the adjoining counties of southeastern Ohio.

For operators used to operating in other parts of Ohio and for the new operators in this area, the names and stratigraphic positions of the multiple producing zones found here can be confusing. Hopefully, this series can help eliminate some of the confusion and provide a means of identifying these zones which have been the basis for much of the new production in the area.

Each month, a different zone will be described and, where possible, typical log sections will be shown. Discussion and comments are welcome.

WELSH STRAY

This is a localized name for a zone of very fine-grained sandstone or siltstone which may be found from 50 to 100 feet above the Berea. It is predominantly gray to light gray in color and was first produced in recent times in Washington County in the #1 Cogswell Well owned by Whipple Run Oil & Gas Corp. Thickness and stratigraphic position of individual members will vary depending on the area, and it may be completely absent in some areas. It should not be confused with the Weir Sand of West Virginia which is higher in the section. Because a similar productive zone in Monroe and Belmont Counties in the same stratigraphic position is named Welsh Stray, that name has been used in Washington County also to avoid introducing another confusing name to the stratigraphic column. Electrical and nuclear well logs indicate that this zone contains natural fractures which are vertical but limited in height.

Generally, these fractures are found in the harder silty zones. Very little is known of the individual production characteristics of this zone as it is almost always perforated and treated along with the Berea where the Berea in the same well is very thin. The type section for Welsh Stray is the zone indicated on the log of the #1 Cogswell well, (See log shown for Marietta Township.)

In areas of eastern Washington County and Southern Monroe County where the Berea is very thin or absent, the Welsh Stray may appear well developed. It is entirely possible that many of the older driller’s logs named the Welsh Stray as Berea in such situations. This would be understandable along the Ohio River where the “Coffee Shale” (Sunbury Shale) does not have the distinct character found in western Washington County and elsewhere.
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