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GENERAL DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, February 15, 2011

SPEAKER: Don Clark and Ken Hooper

TOPIC: Veteran's Memorial Foundation

PLACE: American Legion Hall
2020 H St., Bakersfield, CA

TIME: Social Hour: 6:00 p.m.
Tech. Session: 6:30 p.m.
Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Speaker: 8:00 p.m.
Price: \$20

Social Hour will be sponsored by Tyler Roshau of Tire Empire. Thank you very much for the refreshing beverages, Tyler.

Please call or email Julie Grassi with your name and your menu choice (steak or chicken) by MONDAY February 14, 2011.

Phone: 654-7576; E-mail:
jgrassi@chevron.com

Guest Speaker: Don Clark

Biography



Don Clark is the award-winning former senior news anchor at KBAK-TV 29, the local CBS affiliate station, a position he held for almost 20 years. Currently, he is the media representative for Personal Express Insurance. At the request of the leadership of

the Kern Veterans Memorial Foundation, Clark recently took on the task of coordinating a wide range of fundraising efforts aimed at finally finishing the Kern Veterans Memorial Plaza and Wall of Valor, located on a beautiful site at the entrance to our city's stunning Amtrak Station. Clark is coming

to report on the status of that project and how to participate in it.

Guest Speaker: Ken Hooper

Biography



Ken is President of the Kern County Historical Society and serves as the Historian for the Kern Veterans Memorial Foundation. He has been a teacher for 22 years and currently teaches U.S. History and Archiving at Bakersfield High School where he is also the Social Studies Department Chair. He was named History

Teacher of the year 2011 by The Daughters of the American Revolution.

His wife Cindy teaches social studies at Stockdale High School and his daughter Mackenzie is a Junior at Stockdale High School.

Topic: Veteran's Memorial Foundation

An American president once warned: "The nation which forgets its defenders will itself be forgotten." Eight years ago, the citizens of Kern County resolved that our defenders will never be forgotten but rather will be permanently honored with a Veterans Memorial second to no other county in the nation. In November 2007, the first phase of the Kern Veterans Memorial Plaza in honor of all local citizens who have ever worn their country's uniform was completed and dedicated at a cost of \$1.3 million. Now it is time to complete phase two of the project---The Wall of Valor---in honor of the 1,000 local citizens who have been killed in combat since World War I. Aera Energy has been one of the largest contributors to this noble project. The leaders of the Veterans Memorial Foundation are coming to challenge and to encourage the members of API and the rest of the local oil energy to help fund and finish this project by Memorial Day, May 30th, capped with a huge celebration.

TECHNICAL SESSION

Speaker: Jerry E. Randall CPA/ABV/CFF/PFS, CFP



Jerry Randall is a Managing Director and Shareholder in the national accounting firm of CBIZ MHM, LLC and Mayer Hoffman McCann P.C., in their Bakersfield office. He practices as a forensic accounting expert in the areas of civil damages, family law, and eminent domain. He has testified and been deposed in hundreds of

California Family law matters. He also serves a widely varied client base as a consultant in general business and tax matters. Mr. Randall holds a B.S. degree in accounting from Brigham Young University (Provo) and is Accredited in Business Valuation, Forensic Accounting, and Personal Financial Planning by the AICPA. He also holds an accreditation in personal financial planning from the CFP International Board of Standards. Mr. Randall is a member of the California Society of CPA's Business Valuation and Family Law sections, and sits on CalCPA's State Financial Literacy Committee. He is a frequent speaker and writer in forensic accounting matters to the California Society of CPAs, the California State Bar's Continuing Education programs, various chapters of the American Academy of Matrimonial lawyers, and the family law bar in many of the county jurisdictions in Southern California. He was a recent presenter at the American Bar Association's National Family Law Conference in Montreal, Canada, and presented that material again in a nationwide ABA webinar June 9, 2010.

Topic: The Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization and Job Creation Act Of 2010, and you and your business!!

Jerry Randall will spend 20 minutes presenting highlights of the new tax act that affect you and your business. Jerry will make sure you know the goodies available and the potential traps in this legislation that will help and hinder you in 2011 and 2012. Jerry, an API member and frequent speaker on tax and forensic accounting issues around the state and country will share his thoughts about this important act and what it means to you.

Technical Session Sponsor for April:

THANK YOU! This month's Tech Session is sponsored by Josh Kyles of Payzone. Josh is also a newsletter sponsor, so check out his business cards in the sponsor pages. There will be a drawing for two \$50 gift certificates generously donated by Josh, for those who come and actively participate in this learning and knowledge sharing event!

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. We are soliciting the general membership for technical speakers or general speakers or topics that they would be interested in hearing about. If you or someone in your company want to give a presentation or if there is a topic that you have a desire to hear about, please contact Matt Kedzierski at mkedzierski@aeraenergy.com with your ideas.

Upcoming Events

To keep things going the right way, we are providing a list of this year's API activities and events so you can plan for them. This list will be updated as information becomes available.

February 15	Dinner Meeting
February 25, 26, 27	Black Gold Productions
March 4, 5	Black Gold Productions
March 15	Dinner Meeting
April 19	Dinner Meeting
May 6	Annual Golf Tournament
May TBA	Adopt-A-Highway
May 17	Dinner Meeting
June 21	Dinner Meeting
July 19	Dinner Meeting
August 16	Dinner Meeting
September 20	Dinner Meeting
October 7	Fall Fun Shoot
October 18	Dinner Meeting
October TBA	Adopt-A-Highway
November 5	Oil Baron's Ball
November	No Meeting
December	No Meeting

CHAPTER NEWS

Honorary Lifetime Membership

If you know of 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 or has contributed to the success of the Chapter and has retired – he or she may be eligible for the honor of lifetime membership. Please contact Ron Bender at 829-1368 with your nomination.

Super Prize Raffle

We've got another super prize this month, courtesy of Jim Roberts of Global Elastomeric and Custom Molded Rubber Products. He is offering a prize valued at least \$200. Bring a few extra bucks to the February meeting and you could be the next Super Prize winner.

API Meeting Sponsors Needed

Has your company ever wanted to be a sponsor for one of the API general meetings? Here is your opportunity! We are in need of sponsors for the following API meetings:

April: \$150 Beverage Sponsor

May: \$200 Super Raffle Prize Sponsor

September: \$200 Super Raffle Prize Sponsor

October: \$200 Super Raffle Prize Sponsor

October: 2 - \$50 Technical Speaker Raffle Prizes

To sign up or for more information please contact Matt Kedzierski at mkedzierski@eraenergy.com to reserve your sponsorship.

API Website

Need to pay for your 2011 membership? Go out and visit the API Website at www.apibakersfield.org.

There are also new pictures of events, archived newsletters, and links to other informative websites. You can also pay for your monthly dinner meetings and your advertising online at the website. It is easy and convenient, so don't delay. Start paying the easy way with API's PayPal buttons!

We have our sponsorship banners up and running. Go to the website and check them out. Once there, click on your refresh button and the banner will change to another sponsor

Newsletter Sponsorships

Thank you to the sponsors that renewed their newsletter sponsorships. For the rest of you, If you would like to continue into the 2011 newsletter, please renew your sponsorship soon. If you wish to become an API Newsletter sponsor, please contact the newsletter editor, Mike Handren by e-mail at mhandren@pxp.com. Please list "Newsletter Sponsor" in the subject line so that he will get right on it and get you back into the pages of the newsletter. We can accommodate various types of sponsor recognition, as you have seen during 2010 and in this edition of the newsletter. We have even made them for some sponsors using their material and our talent. So if you want more than a business card, let us know and we will work on it for you. See the following pages for some good examples. You can pay for your sponsorship online at our website www.apibakersfield.org or by check payable to API. We appreciate your newsletter sponsorship.

Sponsorship Rates

Size	Monthly	Full Year
Business Card	\$30	\$200
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Other sizes	We'll Talk	We'll Talk

Scholarship Time is Coming Soon!!

I realize that this announcement is a bit early for most of you who are still recovering from winter break, but it is never too early to put on your thinking caps! Your newly appointed 2011 scholarship committee is working diligently on this year's application trying to find some challenging essay questions for you. It should be ready soon for posting on our website, so watch for upcoming announcements from Jimmy Dean.

The 2011 SJVC-API scholarship application is now available online at <http://www.apibakersfield.org>.

Remember that the San Joaquin Valley Chapter of API awards scholarships to local students pursuing a career in the petroleum industry, or a closely related field. These scholarships are awarded to hard working, dedicated and deserving students who are high school seniors or attending college.

CHAPTER NEWS (cont.)

If you need assistance, or have problems downloading the application online, please contact Starlyn Fikkert at (661) 431-8977 or jim_star_fikkert@att.net.

In Memoriam Howard Thurman

Howard Thurman passed away on January 6, 2011. He was an API Lifetime Member and was API Chairman in 1972.

Howard was born in Salem, Illinois on May 21, 1934. He graduated from Oklahoma State University with a B.S. in Geology in 1957. He started his oil industry career with Lane Wells in Abilene, Texas. He came to Bakersfield and worked as the sales manager and then as manager for Gearhart Industries. He became co-owner and president of Jetco Oilfield Services from 1976-1983. He rounded out his oilfield service with Gearhart in 1986 in Denver, Colorado.

In retirement, Howard enjoyed traveling with his wife, Judy, and playing golf and fishing with his many friends. Howard leaves behind his loving wife, Judy, three children, five grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

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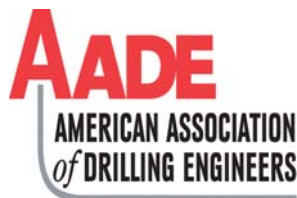
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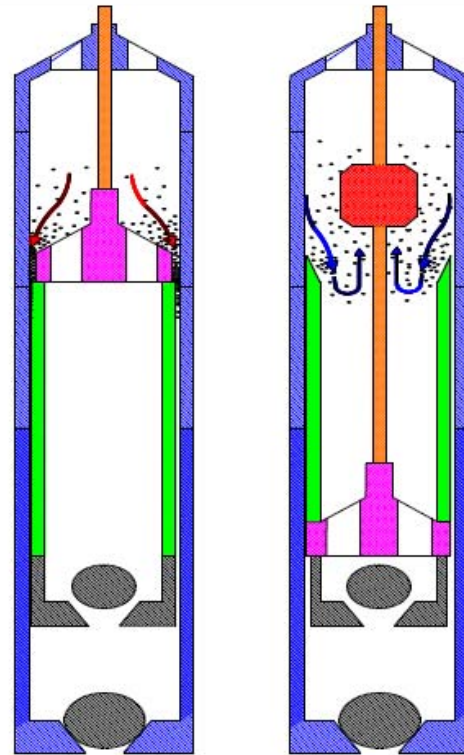
Events

Chapter	Date	Type of Event	Location
WC	Thursday, January 20, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA
WC	Friday, January 21, 2011	Sporting Clays Shoot	5 Dogs Range - Kern Co. CA
WC	Thursday, February 17, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA
WC	Thursday, March 17, 2011	Tech conference	Double Tree - Bakersfield
WC	Friday, March 18, 2011	Golf Tournament	Sundale CC - Bakersfield CA
WC	Thursday, April 21, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA
WC	Friday, May 13, 2011	Sporting Clays Shoot	5 Dogs Range - Kern Co. CA
WC	Thursday, September 15, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA
WC	Thursday, October 20, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA
WC	Thursday, November 17, 2011	Monthly Meeting	Coconut Joe's - Bakersfield CA

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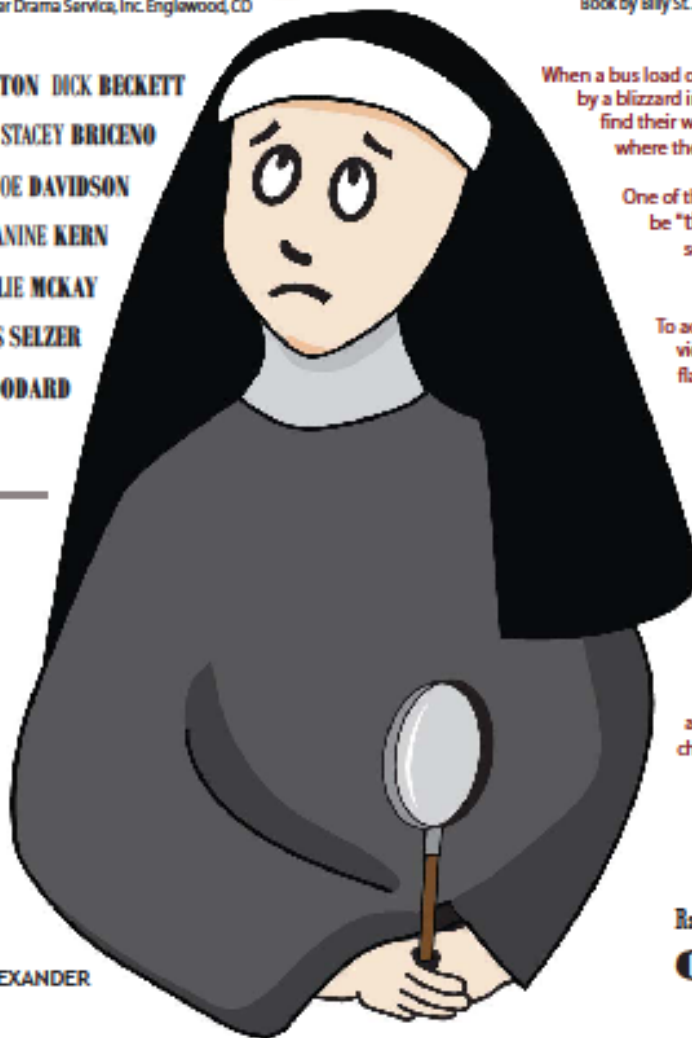
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One of the passengers is likely to
be "the Mary Murderer", a
serial killer whose victims
are all named Mary!

To add to the list of potential
victims, one passenger is a
flamboyant actress whose
TV character is named
Mary and another is
a retired teacher who
was formerly a nun.

Before the night is over,
the killer strikes!
Which person from
the bus could be the
Mary Murderer?

Luckily, police detective
Patrick McDougal was
also on the bus and takes
charge of solving the case.



PERFORMANCES: FEBRUARY 25, 26, 27*, MARCH 4, AND 5

Price: \$20 for evening performances (dinner is included)
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Matinee: Doors open at 1:30 pm, show starts at 2:00 pm

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SPE SJV Continuing Education

The San Joaquin Valley Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers is pleased to offer the following Continuing Education course for your consideration:

Design & Fabrication of Pressure Vessels with Repairs & Alterations

ASME Section VIII, Division 1, Course ID PD 443

Instructor: Kamran Mokhtarian, P.E.
Date & Time: Monday - Friday, February 7th - 11th, 2011 from 8 am - 5 pm
Location: Sheraton Four Points, 5101 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA
Cost: \$2100. Lunch is not included.

Each participant will receive:

- Comprehensive course notes
- Certificate of completion
- 3.8 CEUs

Use the corresponding link below to pay online using your Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, or PayPal account:

[Design & Fabrication of Pressure Vessels with Repairs and Alterations - \\$2100](#)

For more info, please contact Terry L. Kloth @ 661-321-4469 (office), 661-858-9631 (mobile), or by email @ TLKB@pqe.com.

Please note that this is course (PD 443) is the combination of the Inspection, Repairs, & Alterations of Pressure Vessels (PD 441) & Design & Fabrication of Pressure Vessels (PD 442) courses.

Course Title: Inspection, Repairs, & Alterations of Pressure Vessels
Course Number: PD441

Course Description

This course is a comprehensive introduction to the requirements of various codes and standards, regarding inspection, repairs and alterations of pressure equipment, and in particular pressure vessels. The requirements of the National Board Inspection Code and the API-510 will be covered in detail. A brief introduction to API-579, Fitness for Service will also be included. Simple flaw evaluation procedures will be evaluated. The activities of ASME's Post Construction Committee will be explained and documents published by this Committee will be discussed.

Who Should Attend

Individuals from users, manufacturers, repair organizations, inspection agencies and other organizations involved with maintenance and repair of pressure equipment. This course is intended for beginners, as well as experienced personnel wishing to update their knowledge.

Special Requirements

- Receive the latest edition of the National Board Inspection Code.
- Learn about the latest developments in the rapidly advancing field of pressure equipment inspection and repairs.
- Receive an overview of the work being performed by API, ASME, and PVRC, in the related areas.

Outline

- Introduction to post construction codes and standards and the interrelation of various documents
- Explanation of the responsibilities of the users, manufacturers, repair organizations, regulatory agencies and authorized inspectors
- How to obtain a National Board stamp
- Detailed requirements of the NBIC
- Differences between the NBIC and API-510
- Examples of repairs, alterations and the documentation requirements for each
- An introduction to API-579
- Simple Level 1 evaluation procedures for various flaws
- An introduction to the ASME Post Construction Committee
- Introduction to ASME post-construction standards
- Overview of work being performed by API, ASME, and PVRC related to post construction issues
- Examples demonstrating the application of the rules
- Open discussion of specific situations and problems brought up by the attendees

Course Title: ASME Boiler & Pressure Vessel Code: Section VIII, Division 1, Design and Fabrication of Pressure Vessels

Course Number: PD442

Course Description

Based on the rules for pressure vessel design and construction, this course is a comprehensive introduction to the requirements of Section VIII, Division 1 including background, organization, design, materials, fabrication, inspection, testing and documentation of pressure vessels. The more commonly used subsections and paragraphs will be covered, and a discussion of individual problems or situations will be included. This course is intended for beginners, as well as experienced vessel designers who would like to update their knowledge of the Code. Upon completion of this course, attendees will be able to:

- Understand the background of the Code rules
- Apply the Code rules to more common design and fabrication situations
- Perform calculations for some of the loadings and situations not addresses by the Code
- Prepare design specifications, design reports, Data Reports, and other documentation

Who Should Attend

Those involved with the purchase, design, fabrication, or inspection of pressure vessels. Some technical background will be helpful, but attendees are not required to have an engineering degree or previous work experience in the subject matter.

Special Requirements

An overview of code organization, editions and addenda will be given, and participants will learn how to prepare and submit an inquiry to the Code Committee for Code Interpretation, Code Cases or Code revision. It is suggested (but not required) that you bring the latest Edition of the ASME Code Section VIII, Division 1, Pressure Vessels.

Outline

- Code rules, scope and jurisdiction
- General requirements related to materials and testing
- Material toughness and impact testing requirements
- Joint categories and joint efficiencies
- General requirements related to stamping, reports, testing, PWHT, tolerances, and NDEs
- Welding requirements
- Committees, operation and voting procedures
- Editions, addenda and interpretations
- Design Requirements
- Design loadings and allowable stresses
- Design criteria and strength theory for Division 1
- Formulas for internal pressure and tensile loading
- Procedures for external pressure (vacuum) and compressive loads
- Openings and reinforcement
- Hydrostatic and pneumatic testing
- Background of the design rules
- Example design problems and solutions
 - cylindrical shells and formed heads
 - Seismic loading on vertical vessels
 - nozzle reinforcements
 - other special components
 - External pressure and stiffening rings
 - Reinforced openings and ligament efficiency

Course Instructor

Mr. Mokhtarian has 40 years of experience in design, analysis and fabrication of pressure equipment. He presently performs consulting services to the pressure vessel industry. He is the Vice Chairman of ASME Code Subcommittee VIII, a member of ASME Post Construction Committee, ASME/API Joint Committee on Fitness-For-Service and a number of other professional organizations. He is also the Chairman of the Pressure Vessel Research Committee (PVRC).

Black Gold Productions

The annual Black Gold Productions show is coming up, with five performances on five dates. The performance dates are February 25, 26, and 27 and March 4 and 5. The API Barbecue Crew will be providing dinner at the Friday and Saturday night events, with a Friday menu of chile verde and Mexican side dishes, and a Saturday menu of boneless country pork ribs and all the traditional fixings.

Please note that the show will be at a new venue this year. The location is the Masonic Temple at 1920 18th Street just two blocks west of the Padre Hotel in downtown Bakersfield.

Tickets are just \$20 for the dinner shows and only \$10 for the Sunday matinee. For show times, see the flyer included in this copy of the newsletter.

We can always use some help during the shows, so if you would like to help, please contact Todd Bivens at tabivens@acraenergy.com.

If you would like to donate a raffle prize, contact Jimmy Dean at James_E_Dean@bjservices.com.

For tickets or information contact Mike Handren at mhandren@pxp.com or call 395-5334, or go to the Black Gold website www.bgp-plays.com.

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February							March						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1 API Board	2	3	4	5			1 API Board	2	3	4 Black Gold Show	5 Black Gold Show
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 API General Meeting	16	17 AADE Meeting	18	19	13	14	15 API General Meeting	16	17 AADE Meeting	18 AADE Golf Tournament	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Black Gold Show	26 Black Gold Show	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Black Gold Show	28						27	28					

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