

## San Joaquin Valley Chapter



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### **GENERAL DINNER MEETING**

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

SPEAKER: Les Clark - IOPA

**TOPIC:** The Independent Oil Producers Agency: Regulations and Issues Facing the Oil Industry

### \*\*\*\*\* Please Note New Location \*\*\*\*\*

**PLACE:** Bakersfield Petroleum Club

5060 California Ave., Bakersfield, CA

12<sup>th</sup> Floor

**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

October's Social Hour is sponsored by Robin Brassfield of Robin's Enviro Vac. Thanks for the refreshing beverages, Robin!

Please RSVP to Julie Grassi at (661) 654-7576 or <a href="mailto:jgrassi@chevron.com">jgrassi@chevron.com</a> by Monday, October 17, 2011.

Include your name and menu choice (steak or chicken).



### <u>Guest Speaker: Les Clark</u> - IOPA

Les Clark served as Vice President of Independent Oil Producers' Agency from 1980 to 1999 at which time he assumed the position of Executive V.P. IOPA is a membership organization comprised of independent

oil companies operating mainly in the San Joaquin

Valley. Les is responsible for reviewing and analyzing all regulatory issues and advising his members of such. He is the principal contact with all Federal, State, and San Joaquin Valley officials and staffs.

Les has been a resident of Taft most of his life, attending schools in that area until completing his education at Fresno State University where he received a B.A. in Education. His basic knowledge of the oil industry was obtained from part time employment with Atlantic Richfield and Petrotherm while attending school. Subsequently, Belridge Oil Company and Shell Oil Company employed him prior to his assuming IOPA's San Joaquin Valley operations.

He has been and is currently involved in many local organizations as well as numerous county, state and federal agency work groups which are too numerous to mention here. He has received many awards including the API Oil Baron in 2004 and Desk and Derrick Oilman of the Year in 1994.

Les has been married to his wife, June, for 44years. They have 2 daughters, Tessa and Kerrie; one son, Les III; and 8 grandchildren, Tanisha, Ayana, Darius, Arizona, Keelan, Sierra, Logun, Willow and Cash.

## **Topic: The Independent Oil Producers Agency: Regulations and Issues Facing the Oil Industry**

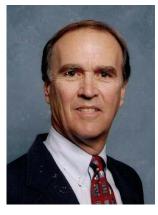
Les will give us an overview of the Independent Oil Producers Agency (IOPA). He will discuss its origins and history as an oil and gas marketer for independent oil companies. He will also discuss the primary purpose of IOPA today as an agent and advocate for its member companies.

Along with talking about the IOPA, Les will discuss the various regulatory and political issues facing oil and gas producers today. The topics will include, but not limited to, the severance tax proposal and he delays facing the oil field injection projects.



### **TECHNICAL SESSION**





## <u>Speaker: Jim Prejean – Monarch Mining Services</u>

For more than 25 years, Jim Prejean has honed his management and marketing skills and grown several companies into sizeable organizations in the construction, land development, finance and real estate industries as well as

manufacturing. After obtaining his degree in Business Administration he began his career with a Fortune 100 Company where he worked in manufacturing management in the Can and Pulp and Paper industries. He moved into Human Resources and Labor Relations, working his way up to Regional Director and had responsibility for 6,000 employees in multiple locations in the United States and Canada before leaving to start his own company.

Over the past 25 years he has owned and operated his own companies in California where he built a real estate/construction/land development company into a 14-office company with offices throughout California and Nevada. In addition, he has been a management consultant for a number of years to small and medium size companies.

Today he is President of Monarch Water Technologies, a company that he started with a lifelong friend. The company markets an electro-chemical water treatment process that is the most environmentally friendly process on the market. The company focuses on the oil and gas industry, the mining industry, as well as wash water treatment for multiple industries in the U.S. and Canada.

Jim is married to his childhood sweetheart, has one grown child, and is a U.S. Coast Guard licensed Captain, avid sailor, and an outdoor enthusiast.

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### **Speaker Sponsor for October:**

This month's Technical Session is sponsored by Charlie Johnson of Clariant. Whenever we're in need of a sponsorship or raffle prizes he always seems to be on hand. A BIG thank you to Charlie for all that he does and for this sponsorship as well. There will be a drawing held for those who come and actively participate in this learning and knowledge sharing event!

### **CHAPTER NEWS**



### **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.

October 18 Dinner Meeting
October 22 Adopt-A-Highway
November 5 Oil Baron's Ball
November No Meeting
December 6 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Hijinks

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### Oil Baron's Ball

The ball will be held on November 5, 2011 at the Doubletree Hotel. The deadline to purchase tickets or tables is October 28, 2011. Tickets are \$75 each or you can reserve a table of ten for \$750. For tickets and information, please contact: Robin Brassfield at <a href="mailto:robinsenvirovac@bak.rr.com">robinsenvirovac@bak.rr.com</a>,

(661) 747-6462 or Weldon Sons at

weldon@thepetroleumclub.com, (661) 619-5415.

This year's theme will be Moonlight Serenade; the colors are navy and silver. Congratulations to Laurie Alexander for the winning submission and a big thank you to Robin Brassfield for donating a \$100 gift card to the Petroleum Club to the winner.

### **CHAPTER NEWS (cont.)**

### 2011 Adopt-A-Highway

The next and final Adopt-A-Highway cleanup for 2011 will be on Saturday, October 22nd. We will meet at the Golden Bull Restaurant located at Rosedale Highway (Hwy 58) and Enos Lane (Hwy 43) at 7 a.m. Breakfast will be provided for all volunteers prior to starting the cleanup.

Please wear longs pants and substantial leather shoes or boots with ankle support. Light-colored clothing, long sleeve shirts and sunscreen lotion are recommended. Safety vests, hard hats, gloves and safety glasses will be provided. There will also be plenty of cool drinking water and soft drinks available. One additional note from CALTRANS: No one under 16 years of age is allowed to participate.

To volunteer, contact Bill St. Clair at (661) 340-4500 or bill.stclair@iesp.solutions.gasscoinc.com.

## **General and Technical Session Speakers Needed** for 2012!

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 in the coming year. 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.

### **Letter from the Chairman**

What a great year we have had and has we come to our last dinner meeting of the year we are still going strong. Our final event of the year will be the Oil Barons Ball on November 5<sup>th</sup> at the Double Tree Hotel. The theme is



Moonlight Serenade and the colors will be navy and silver. The highlight of the evening will be the announcement of the 2011 Oil Baron and Baroness.

Looking forward to seeing each of you all dressed up for this event.

I want to thank the API nation for all of the support they have given to our industry this year; all of our events have been very successful. We kicked off the year with Relay for Life. The API/ Black Gold Productions team donated over \$83,600 to the American Cancer Society; coming in third at the largest Relay in the world. Our annual golf tournament sold out again! Proceeds from the event went to the API Scholarship Fund; we were able to give away over \$53,000 deserving college students. Last weekend's Fall Fun Shoot sold out weeks in advance and just seems to get bigger and better every year. We have been fortunate to support many community causes and have made donations to Pyle's Boys Camp, Golden Empire Gleaners, Science Fair, Alliance Against Family Violence, WSPA-Derricks to Desks, the American Red Cross, and the Junior Diabetes Research Fund.

We have transition through two major changes this year. The first was switching to the new logo, giving us a crisp streamlined appearance. The second was moving our dinner meetings to the Petroleum Club. We've heard from you that the new venue is fantastic and judging by the 35% increase in attendance we agree.

With all this said, we could not have accomplished this without a solid board of directors. I would like to personally thank each and every one to them for all of the hours they have spent behind the scenes making sure the events were a success. Thank you to: Matt Kedzierski, Dan Sliter, Doreen Morken, Debbie Caywood, Jimmy Dean, Starlyn Fikkert, Jodi King, James McClard, Brenda Shumate, Ron Bender, Les Clark, Weldon Sons, Chris Jones, Bob Moore, Sandy Sons, Bruce Bender, George Gray, Don Taft, Lyndy Affeld, Ora Stephenson, Jim Roberts, Dan Tuttle, Christine Lujan, Josh Kyles, Rick Rust, Mike Handren, Dan Stotler, Tom Osborn, Gloria Williams, Robin Brassfield-Cooper, Bill St. Clair, Ed Rodriguez, Sheila Buoni, David Howlett, and Ramiro Estenssoro. Our Chapter is supported by our industry and we are honored to thank each and every one of our members for your continued support.

Thank you for a great year!

Charlie McWhorter Processes Unlimited 2011 API Chairman



### **CHAPTER NEWS (cont.)**

### **Super Prize Raffle**

We've got another SUPER prize this month courtesy of Lyndy Affeld of Compressco. Lyndy is often found volunteering at API events. Thanks Lyndy for all that you do!

The Super Prize winners in August were Whitney Peckfelder & Arch Lincoln. Bring a few extra bucks to the October meeting and you could be the next Super Prize winner.

### **Relay for Life 2012**



If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, would like to join our team, or would like more information regarding Relay for Life contact Laurie Alexander at (661) 699-3953 or <a href="mailto:lauriebelladawn@yahoo.com">lauriebelladawn@yahoo.com</a>. You can also register for the team by visiting <a href="http://main.acsevents.org/goto/API-BGP">http://main.acsevents.org/goto/API-BGP</a>.

Thanks to PCL Industrial Services, Inc. for being our first 2012 Sponsor!

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Need to pay for your membership? Visit the API website at <a href="www.apibakersfield.org">www.apibakersfield.org</a>. There are 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!

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### **Sponsorship Rates**

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### **Fall Fun Shoot Results**

Congratulations to:

High Gross Male: Bob Morris (Received Belt Buckle donated by John Olson of Weatherford)

High Gross Female: Pat Jones (Received Silver Cuff Bracelet donated by John Olson of Weatherford)

1<sup>st</sup> Place Overall Gross: Henry Leasing - (Each team member received a belt buckle donated by John Olson of Weatherford): Dirk O'Rear, Eric Peters, Mike Jones, Brad O'Rear, and David Welch.

### Scoring Results:

Class 1: 1st - Henry Leasing - \$100 each (Team donated back to the API Scholarship Fund): Dirk O'Rear, Eric Peters, Mike Jones, Brad O'Rear, and David Welch, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Weatherford, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sturgeon Services.

Class 2: 1<sup>st</sup> - Weatherford, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Clariant, <sup>rd</sup> - Surface Pumps.

Class3: 1<sup>st</sup> - Pros Inc., 2<sup>nd</sup> - PCL, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Baker Hughes.





## 27 Annual Oil Baron's Ball

Imagine yourself in Central Park. The moon and stars are shining brightly. Gene Miller is softly crooning in the background, "The stars are aglow and tonight how their light sets me dreaming. My love, do you know that your eyes are like stars brightly beaming?

I bring you and sing you a Moonlight Serenade."

We are pleased to present a *Moonlight Serenade* in navy and silver. Plan to join us for an evening of socializing, dining, and dancing as the 2011 Oil Baron and Baroness are crowned. We have our perennial favorites *Thee Majestics* for our dancing pleasure and a photographer will be there to capture you in all of your finery.

Location: The Doubletree Hotel

Date: November 5, 2011

Social hour beginning at 6:30pm with dancing until midnight.

The Oil Baron's Ball is just a few short weeks away. The deadline to purchase tickets or tables is October 28, 2011.

Tickets are \$75 each or you can reserve a table of ten for \$750.

For tickets or information, please contact:

Robin Brassfield at <u>robinsenvirovac@bak.rr.com</u>, (661) 747-6462 or Weldon Sons at <u>weldon@thepetroleumclub.com</u>, (661) 619- 5415



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# FALL FUN SHOOT













## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

The 86th Annual Hijinks Show Buck Owens' Crystal Palace Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Proceeds from the Hijinks Show benefit R. M. Pyles Boys Camp



Our show this year is titled:

"That DOG Won't Hunt - And Other Tales of Woe"

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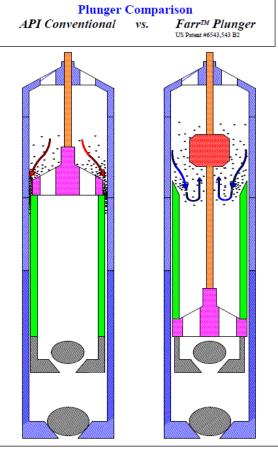
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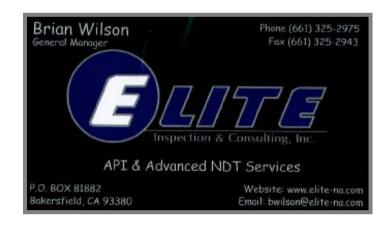
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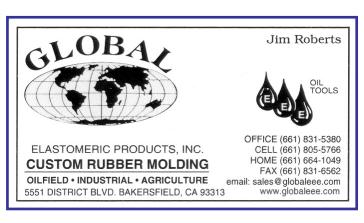
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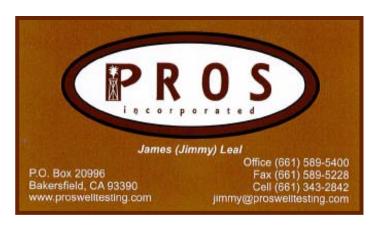


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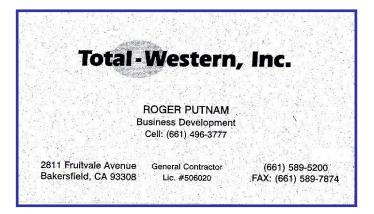
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