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API JOINT LUNCHEON

Don Briggs - Keynote Speaker Louisiana Oil & Gas Asssociation

Thursday - November 15th

Roosevelt Hotel - Downtown

Registration & Networking - 11:30 AM Program - Noon Reservations and guests: Carol St. Germain - 504-267-3466

Chairman's Column

We moved our meeting in October to avoid conflicting with the Prospect Expo in Lafayette, but still overlapped the GCAGS Convention, which may have accounted for a smaller than usual attendance. Thirty members and guests heard an interesting and informative talk by Mike Merritt from Baton Rouge, relating to the difficulty in building and maintaining local levees.

Ken Huffman announced that the 2014 National SIPES Convention will be held here in New Orleans. We will need a chairman and various committees to plan and implement this event!

This month we change venue for the 15th annual Joint Energy Industry Association luncheon at the Roosevelt Hotel. This meeting is included in your dues and always draws a large crowd. Details are included elsewhere in the newsletter. Remember to check-in outside the ballroom so we will have a "headcount" for our attendance. Carol will call as usual.

There are still some outstanding dues for this fall session. Check to make sure you are not delinquent!

Louis E. Lemarié Chairman



Don G. Smith - Bio

Don G. Briggs, Louisiana Oil and Gas Association President, is a native of Miami, Florida and a 1964 graduate of USL in Lafayette. Don began his career in the oil and gas industry with Owen Drilling Company. He worked for Owen while attending USL. He has been actively involved in the oil and gas industry ever since – over 45 years. Don is the father of four and has been a resident of Lafayette over 40 years.

In October of 1992, he stepped away from his service company business in Lafayette to organize LOGA (formerly LIOGA). He knew that if the industry was to survive under the onslaught of the many bureaucratic state and federal agencies, the industry needed to be represented in Baton Rouge.

Don's Industry-Related Activities

- Lafayette Chamber of Commerce Energy Committee
- La Association of Business & Industry (LABI) Energy Council
- Independent Petroleum Association of American (IPAA) Liaison
 Committee
 - Save Domestic Oil (SDO) -Executive Committee
- Lafayette Petroleum Club –
 Past President, Board of Directors,
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 Finance Committee
- Charter Member Maritime Institute Emergency Monitoring and Response (MIEMAR)
- Advisory Council of the Ctr for Petroleum Development – Shell/ LSU

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- Governor's Environmental Task Force
- Barataria Estuary Foundation
 - Oyster Board Damage Evaluation Board
- Oilfield Site Restoration Committee

Department of Economic Development Committees:

- Oil & Gas Cluster
- Taxes/Incentives Subcommittee
- Support Subcommittee
- Marketing/Communications Committee
- Senate Select Committee on Oil and Gas Permitting

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