

#### Chairman's Column

Last month, Gifford Briggs, Vice-President of LOGA, delivered a probing and eye opening talk concerning the lawsuit against the oil and gas industry, filed by the South Louisiana Levee Board East. If you have any question about the motives behind this suit, I suggest you watch a recently released documentary titled "*MRGOing, Going, Gone*", produced by Loyola University. The hour long program blames the storm surge in eastern New Orleans, saltwater intrusion and the loss of thousands of acres of land entirely on the dredging of the MRGO canal. Oil and gas canals and locations are not mentioned even once.

This month, we join API for the 16<sup>th</sup> annual joint industry luncheon, downtown at the Roosevelt Hotel on Wednesday, November 13 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting is part of your dues package as one of our meetings so no additional charge is involved.

Carol will call, as usual, the week before for a "head count", but unlike our regular meetings, we will be charged for the number we submit to API; so, if you plan to attend, please make every effort to show up! Remember to check-in outside the ballroom. Details are included elsewhere in the newsletter.

Bubba Sanchez with LaBay is trying to organize "A South Louisiana Exploration Symposium" in conjunction with the PLANO Executive Night, which will be held February 27, 2014 at the Hilton Hotel in New Orleans. The project is in the formative stage and more information will be sent out in the near future.

Roy Walther has sent out dues reminder notices, so if you have not paid Fall dues, please get on the ball!

Louis E. Lemarié

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16th Annual Greater New Orleans Joint Energy Industry Association Luncheon Wednesday, November 13, 2013 Roosevelt Hotel - New Orleans

> <u>~ Key Note Speaker ~</u> Bob Tippee Editor of Oil and Gas Journal



Bob Tippee is Editor of Oil & Gas Journal, and its web site, Oil & Gas Journal Online. Since joining the Journal in 1977, he has written on all aspects of the international petroleum industry, with special interest in economics, energy policy, geophysics, and the Middle East. His work for the magazine has won awards from American Business Media, New York Society of Business Press Editors, Association of Petroleum Writers, International Association for

Energy Economics, International Association of Energy Advocates, and Houston Society for Technical Communications. He also has won the Cicero Speechwriting Award and is the 2010 recipient of American Business Media's Crain Award.

Tippee became the Journal's chief editor in January 1999. He also was Editor-in-Chief of the 1997 through 2001 editions of the Journal's annual affiliate, International Petroleum Encyclopedia. Bob is the director of three PennWell Petroleum Group conferences and has written or co-written several books on the oil and gas industry.

A native of St. Louis, Missouri, he holds a degree in Journalism from the University of Tulsa and served as an officer in the U.S. Air Force for four years.

Roosevelt Hotel – Waldorf-Astoria Ballroom 123 Baronne St. New Orleans, LA 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. \$40 in advance •\$50 at the door Advance Reservations and Payment Recommended Register online at <u>www.api-delta.org</u> and <u>pay via PayPal</u>

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