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Mission: To be the pre-eminent organization for furthering the professional and business interests of independent practitioners of the earth sciences.

### **Dinner Meeting**

**Tuesday May 17, 2005**

**at the New Orleans City Club—6:30 pm to 9:30 pm**

#### **From Our Chairman:**

This is my last newsletter article to you. I have enjoyed working as your chairman this year. Thank you very much for your support and help. We had a good year and I had fun. We have had several good speakers, we had a good year at the City Club, and we have a new website. The reason for the successful year was your officers and committee chairman. I would like to thank each and every one of them.

To those of you who did not come to the 2005 National SIPES convention in Santa Fe, New Mexico, you missed a great time. It was well attended by several of our members and spouses. Our national secretary, Diane Finstom and the Oklahoma SIPES chapter did a great job putting it together. It ran very smoothly and the talks were very interesting. The main topic was "The Art of the Deal". The talks were provided by several chapters and dealt with subjects from producing the Caney Shale in Oklahoma, contracts and how to protect your self, finding large deepwater prospects in Africa, and making a low BTU gas play in Colorado an economic success. It was also the opportunity to make new friends and an opportunity for others to reaffirm old friendships. With the comradeship during and after the events you always had the chance to meet new people and to discuss new ideas.

**Remember to come to the SIPES dinner at the City Club on May 17, 2005.**

**Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the meal served at 7:00 p.m. Spouses or significant others are invited.**

#### **REAL GEOLOGISTS...**

- don't eat quiche. They don't even know what it is. Real geologists like raw meat, bear meat and tonsil-killing chili.
- don't need rock hammers. They beak samples off with their bare hands.
- don't sit in offices. Being indoors makes them crazy. If they'd wanted to sit in offices, they'd have become geophysicists.
- don't need geophysics. Geophysicists measure things nobody can see or feel, make up a whole lot of numbers about them, then drill in all the wrong places.
- don't go to meetings, except to point to a map, say "DRILL HERE!" and leave.
- don't work 9 to 5. If any real geologists are around at 9 a.m. it's because

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they're going to a meeting to tell Managers where to drill.

- don't like Managers. Managers are a necessary evil for dealing with bozos from Human Resources, bean counters from Accounting and other mental defectives.

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- don't make exploration budgets. Nervous Managers make exploration budgets. Only insecure Mama's boys try to stay within exploration budgets. Real Geologists ignore exploration budgets.
- don't use compasses. That smacks of geophysics. Real Geologists always know exactly where they are and the direction of the nearest place where beer is available.
- don't make maps. Maps are for novices, the forgetful, Managers and pansies who like to play with colored pencils.



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- don't write reports. Bureaucrats write reports, and look what they're like.
- don't use computers. Computers are for geophysicists, other nerds and limp-wristed quiche-eaters who can't think for themselves.



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