

**14TH ANNUAL GREATER NEW ORLEANS  
JOINT ENERGY INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON**

Louisiana Department of Natural Resource (DNR) Secretary Scott Angelle was the key note speaker at the November joint society luncheon. Twenty-three energy related societies and associations joined to host the sold out event.

Secretary Angelle gave a full overview of the department explaining that DNR serves as one of state government's major revenue-generating agencies by way of oil and gas bonuses, rentals, and royalties.

He also stated that the mission of the DNR is to preserve and enhance the non-renewable natural resources of the state, consisting of land, water, oil, gas, and other minerals.

During his presentation, Angelle discussed the sudden interest in mineral leasing in Northeast Louisiana, centered on East Carroll Parish – an area that has struggled for decades with high poverty rates and difficulty in attracting new business and industry.

The new energy exploration interest area referred to as the “Brown Dense” or the “Lower Smackover,” spans portions of north Louisiana and southern Arkansas. The mineral rights for more than 6,000 acres of state-owned land was leased in early October, netting more than \$1.8 million in lease bonuses. Two bidders were competing for the leasing rights, and the per-acre price of more than \$300 was on level with some of the stronger lease bonus offers anywhere else in the state, excepting only the Haynesville Shale area of northwest Louisiana.

“A lot of work remains in permitting, testing and drilling before anyone can estimate how successful this play will be or how much will be invested there,” Angelle said. “However, the level of interest brings the potential for new economic activity, both in jobs and companies directly tied to exploration.”



Angelle also commented on the results of a report recently released by Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association (LMOGA) confirming Louisiana's standing as an energy leader in America.

“The state of Louisiana has a long and proud history of finding the fuel that energizes America, and it is no surprise that through the careful management of our state's abundant natural resources, Louisiana continues to rank at or near the top of national energy production lists,” said Angelle.

The report, titled *The Energy Sector: Still A Giant Economic Engine For The Louisiana Economy* was prepared for LMOGA by Loren Scott.

Angelle also discussed the Back to Work Coalition, a group of twelve offshore oil and gas industry stakeholders and trade associations that have banded together to oppose the federal and regulatory policies placed on the industry following the Deepwater Horizon oil well explosion. Angelle said he applauded Secretary Salazar's announcement of the Department of Interior's Proposed five year OCS lease plan, if the Department of Interior finalizes and fulfills its commitment. Under the plan, the twelve additional lease sales proposed for the Gulf of Mexico and three in Alaska would create additional jobs across the entire economic spectrum. He cautioned however that there continued to be tremendous uncertainty within the industry as to the ability of the government to timely approve the necessary plans and permits that are required to enable future projects.

Angelle said he feared that the uncertainty of obtaining permits may impair the ability of the industry to invest in currently planned and future lease sales. “The permit and plan review process needs to better reflect the Administration's stated policy of promoting domestic energy security and reducing oil imports” said Angelle.



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# 2012

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<b>Meritorious Service Awards Luncheon</b> Tuesday, March 13
<b>Technical Luncheon</b> Tuesday, August 14
<b>Joint Society Luncheon</b> Tuesday, November 13
<b>Presidents' Meetings</b> (called by API Chair)
<b>Sporting Clays Tournament</b> Fri.-Sat., April 27-28
<b>Golf Tournament</b> Friday, September 23 At: rain date: Oct. 3
<b>GNO Sci. &amp; Engrng. Fair</b> Tue.-Thu., Feb. 28-Mar 1
<b>Bayou Reg. Robotics</b> Thu.-Sat., March 15-17
<b>FETCH Energy Saturday</b> La. Children's Museum Proposed: Sat., July 21
<b>2013 GNOSEF Teacher "Kick-Off" Sat., Sept</b>
<b>FIRST Lego League Louisiana Regional</b> December ____

\* Volunteer Appreciation Christmas Social - date to be selected

# FIRST LEGO 2011 sponsored by API-Delta

Thanks to API-Delta member support, API-Delta once again was able to be a Gold Sponsor for the 9th Annual FIRST LEGO League (FLL) and Junior FIRST LEGO League tournament. This year the event was held at Holy Cross High School in New Orleans on Saturday, December 10, 2011.

The objective of FLL is to introduce middle school students to the fun and experience of solving real world problems by applying math, science and technology through the building of Lego robots. FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science & Technology) further inspires students with the excitement of a head-to-head competitive sports event and an invitation to present findings from a team research project. The event also includes a Jr. FLL challenge whereby K-3 grades compete. Students research the topic of the challenge, create a model using LEGOs, and present their research for judging.



This year's Challenge was "Food Factor". Teams investigated food sources and identified innovative solutions for keeping foods safe. Each team built and programmed a LEGO robot to perform missions relating to food handling. In addition, participating teams created a website and gave a live video presentation that described each team's contamination or spoiling problems, their innovative solutions, how the team shared its findings with others and the team's coordination and development.

The event has grown from an initial 15 team tournament in 2003 to 79 teams from around the state participating this year. Contact Annette Oertling for details at [annette@tulane.edu](mailto:annette@tulane.edu)

The 2012 Challenge was "Senior Solutions". FIRST LEGO team determined ways to improve the quality of life for seniors by helping them continue to be independent, engaged, and connected in their communities. Participating 9-14 year olds explored the topic of aging and how it affected a person's ability to maintain his or her lifestyle – solving issues like getting around, keeping in touch, or staying fit. This event proved to be an interesting event for many of the aging oil industry employees. Hopefully some great innovative ideas have come from these ambitious students. Additional information can be found on the web site <http://www.firstlegoleague.org>



# Chairman's Message

As I write my last "Chairman's Message" I do so with mixed emotions, excitement and sadness. I am excited about the future of API-Delta Chapter and its support and promotion of the oil & gas industry in the local area. However, I am sad that this year has passed by so quickly and my reign as Chairman is over. I will be turning over the reins to the very capable Ms. Peggy Bourgeois. Peggy will be a fantastic Chairman and carry on the mission of the API-Delta Chapter and I look forward to working with her on the board of directors next year.

As an organization we have accomplished a lot, which has made for an exciting year. I mentioned most of them in my last message. However, since that time we held the 14th Annual Joint Society Luncheon on November 8th, which was attended by nearly 250 people. Our key note speaker was Louisiana Department of Natural Resource (DNR) Secretary Scott Angelle. Mr. Angelle showed his passion for our industry and demonstrated why he is a good ambassador for our state and the oil and gas industry. We also participated in "Strike for STEM" under the PIPE umbrella on November 5th at Mid-City Lanes Rock N' Bowl and were a major sponsor of the event helping raise money for CORE Element. The PIPE team took home first place in the event! Way to go team!!! We were also able to support the Holy Cross Robotics team that participated in the southern regional championships on December 3rd.

None of this could have been accomplished without the great team of individuals we have on the API-Delta Chapter board of directors and the Committee Chairs. I'd like to say thanks to all who have worked so hard to make this a successful and memorable year!!!

Steve Freeman

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## PIPE and Core Element Strike a WIN!

On November 5, 2011, ten oil industry societies/organizations under the name of PIPE (Petroleum Industry Promoting Education) sponsored the First Annual Core Element Strike for S.T.E.M Fundraiser. By pooling efforts, \$10,000 was raised allowing PIPE to be the premiere sponsor of this charity event.

Sponsorship included participating in the bowling competition with 9 other teams. The PIPE team consisted of representatives from contributing organizations. CONGRATULATIONS go to the PIPE team for winning the bowling competition! Team participants were: Bernadette Alaniz, Jan Catalano, Courtney Echols, Angie Gobert, Colleen Jarrott, Jim and Kay Orth, and Brenda Riley.



### PIPE Team Wins Bowling Competition!

The big winner of the event was Core Element. Core Element cleared over \$13,500. Over one hundred people attended the Rock N Bowl event to listen to the Boogie Men, be entertained by the 610 Stompers, bowl, and enjoy hours of food and beverages.

Much thanks and appreciation goes to participating societies/organizations:

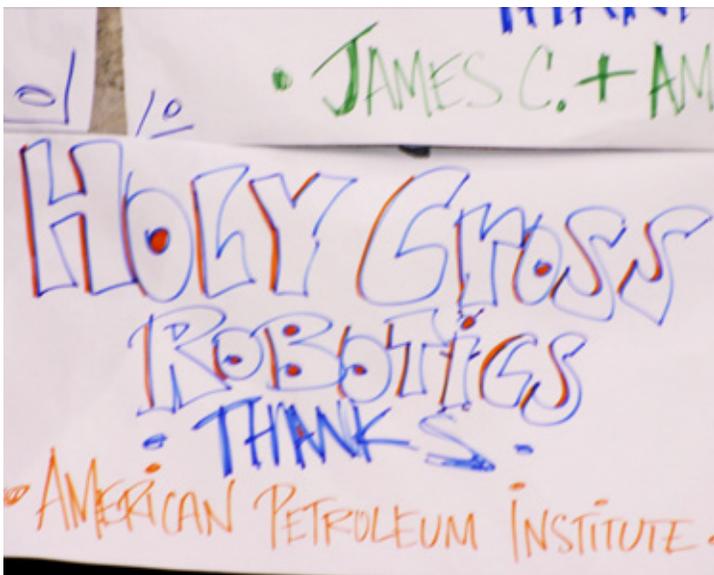
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# API Supports Holy Cross Robotics Team

On the weekend of December 3rd, the Holy Cross High School robotics team participated in the southern regional championships in robotics. The team was sponsored by the Delta Section of the API. Holy Cross sent a large delegation of students and finished 24th in the competition. The support of the API made the trip possible, and emphasizes API's continued support for math and science education in the New Orleans area.



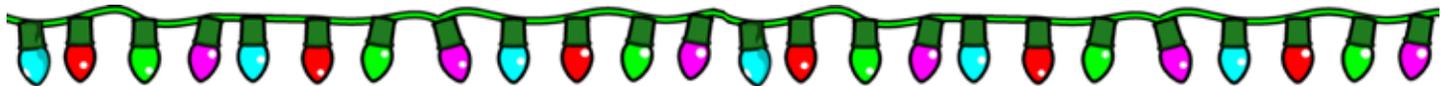
## THREE JEFFERSON PARISH TEACHERS RECEIVE GRANTS

The Delta Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute recently awarded a \$500 grant to three Jefferson Parish School Teachers. The recipients were Ms. Kerrie Slaton, Jefferson Community School in Harahan; Ms. Conchetta Tillery, Live Oak Manor in Waggaman and Ms. Janice Catledge, Gretna No. 2 Academy in Gretna.

API/Delta recognizes the untiring efforts of public school teachers who continue to deliver quality services to students with minimal compensation and inadequate resources. The grant funds are awarded directly to the teacher to help fund equipment or program needs for the classroom.

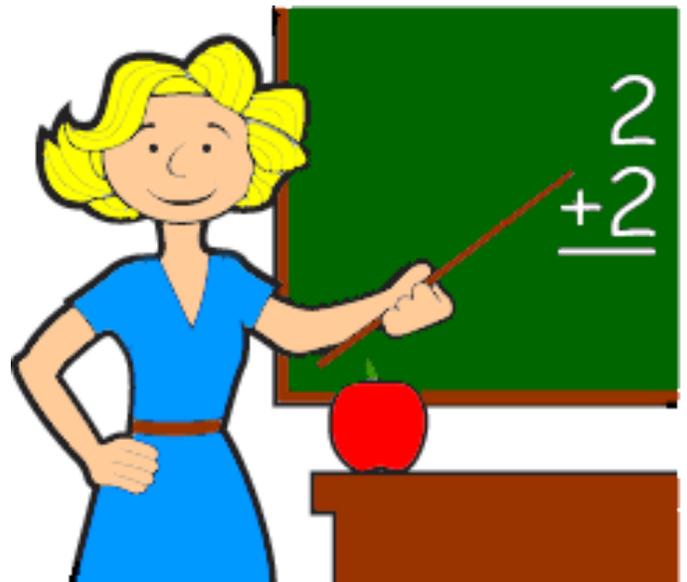
The API-Delta Grant program was initiated after Hurricane Katrina to aid educators with funding and to recognize a teachers' commitment to quality teaching, resourcefulness, professional involvement and community service. The API-Delta Chapter is committed to K-12 education because a sustainable workforce for all levels of oil and gas industry requires strong math and science skills.

The API-Delta Chapter is a non-profit organization headquartered in New Orleans, and is comprised of six (6) parishes in the metropolitan area: Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, and St. Tammany. In addition to the grant program, API/Delta supports educational programs such as FIRST Bayou Regional Robotics Competition and teacher development summer programs. Information regarding the Grant program can be found on the API/Delta Chapter website at [www.api-delta.org](http://www.api-delta.org).



## GNOSEF Teacher Workshop

The GNOSEF Teacher Workshop was held on Saturday, September 24th from 8:30 – 2:30 at UNO Kirshman Hall. There were 32 teachers in attendance along with the GNOSEF staff to go over important dates, rules and guidelines. Teachers represented public, private and home schools in the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines and St. Bernard. The 2012 GNOSEF will be held at UNO on February 28th-29th and the award ceremony will be held on Thursday evening, March 1st. API will continue to sponsor 3 Special Awards (Chairman, Distinguished and Honorable Mention) in the Senior Division Entergy Category. During lunch at the workshop, presentation were given about API, SPE, NOGS, AADE, SWE, NSBE, NACE and other societies about ideas and resources for science and engineering projects. Lunch for the teachers and GNOSEF volunteers along with door prizes were provided by API.



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- ❖ **Deepwater operations** are part of the new frontier. Thirty years ago companies were pushing to drill in 5,000 feet of water. Now, drill ships in the Gulf of Mexico operate in as much as 10,000 feet of water – *almost two miles below the surface* – and can drill to depths of as much as 30,000 feet below the seafloor to access natural gas and oil.

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	Amount	% of State Total	\$Million	% of State Total
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Alaska	5,824	1.8%	878	1.8%
Arizona	12,875	0.5%	3,053	1.2%
Arkansas	29,806	2.5%	5,568	5.6%
California	255,214	1.7%	36,673	2.0%
Colorado	137,726	5.9%	18,309	7.3%
Connecticut	7,371	0.4%	1,758	0.8%
Delaware	449	0.1%	129	0.2%
Florida	15,454	0.2%	4,115	0.6%
Georgia	11,224	0.3%	2,764	0.7%
Hawaii	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Idaho	3,272	0.5%	895	1.7%
Illinois	45,790	0.8%	6,412	1.0%
Indiana	17,148	0.6%	3,947	1.5%
Iowa	3,600	0.2%	1,057	0.8%
Kansas	20,759	1.5%	4,300	3.5%
Kentucky	14,389	0.8%	3,829	2.4%
Louisiana	266,591	13.7%	24,471	11.0%
Maine	571	0.1%	169	0.3%
Maryland	7,718	0.3%	1,587	0.6%
Massachusetts	14,932	0.5%	3,607	1.0%
Michigan	23,067	0.6%	5,762	1.5%
Minnesota	10,524	0.4%	2,748	1.0%
Mississippi	27,385	2.4%	3,129	3.4%
Missouri	12,904	0.5%	3,857	1.6%
Montana	6,435	1.4%	1,049	2.9%
Nebraska	9,567	1.0%	1,205	1.4%
Nevada	8,321	0.7%	2,168	1.6%
New Hampshire	873	0.1%	271	0.5%
New Jersey	25,831	0.6%	5,516	1.2%
New Mexico	46,062	5.4%	7,445	9.3%
New York	36,647	0.4%	8,352	0.7%
North Carolina	11,632	0.3%	2,874	0.7%
North Dakota	3,738	1.0%	461	1.5%
Ohio	40,374	0.8%	10,190	2.2%
Oklaahoma	174,519	10.9%	24,339	16.6%
Oregon	6,915	0.4%	1,845	1.1%
Pennsylvania	53,554	0.9%	12,932	2.3%
Rhode Island	2,126	0.4%	431	0.9%
South Carolina	3,712	0.2%	1,239	0.8%
South Dakota	1,742	0.4%	446	1.2%
Tennessee	11,905	0.4%	3,571	1.4%
Texas	1,269,130	12.0%	132,608	10.8%
Utah	39,236	3.1%	5,374	4.9%
Vermont	267	0.1%	82	0.3%
Virginia	15,045	0.4%	3,939	1.0%
Washington	11,214	0.4%	2,340	0.7%
West Virginia	15,582	2.0%	2,985	4.8%
Wisconsin	5,723	0.2%	1,235	0.5%
Wyoming	62,306	20.9%	8,045	22.7%
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>2,828,352</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>384,735</b>	<b>2.7%</b>

\*Estimated direct, indirect, and induced jobs created by natural gas production, delivery and usage in 2008.  
Source: IHS Global Insight, "The Contributions of the Natural Gas Industry to the U.S. National and State Economies," September 2009.



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