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2006 Meritorious Service Awards

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Ben Waring is president of Waring & Associates, an energy-consulting firm located in New Orleans. He is Manager/Member of Energy Data Solutions, LLC and the owner of the www.ocsbbs.com website. He started his independent land consultant practice in 1977, working on lease plays in south Louisiana.

Waring spent his early years buying leases, and otherwise operating as a contract landman. He helped market properties and ran the data rooms for Online Resource Exchange. In 1988 he discovered a wealth of digital data available on leases, platforms, wells, and pipelines. He found a joint interest owner database of OCS leases existed with those interests constantly being assigned back and forth and built the only complete database of the entire Gulf's operating rights, kept current to this day. Every serious player in the Gulf licensed the

A. T. Green



A. T. Green started with Union of California in New Orleans as an Oil Scout and later became the Assistant District Geologist in Union's most active district. He was responsible for exploration and development geology for onshore and offshore Louisiana where he was involved in significant discoveries and extensions to existing fields. In 1964, he went to Superior Oil Company as a Senior Geologist in Southeast Louisiana, where he found more discoveries and extensions.

Green became an Independent Petroleum Geologist in New Orleans in 1970, and started Green Exploration Co. As independent geologist and operator, he caused numerous wildcat and extensions wells to be drilled, uncovering reserves of 50 to 75 BCFG in five different fields, as well as additional reserves in six other areas.

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General Meeting

**Wednesday,
March 21, 2007**

**Keynote Speaker:
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11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

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Message from the Chair

I want to thank our past chairman, Carlos Guzman, for his efforts during 2006. We had a very successful year despite the adverse conditions that we faced post Hurricane Katrina.

We managed to hold board meetings and get the chapter's business accomplished even though several of our members were displaced throughout the Gulf Coast. Our sporting clay and golf tournaments were major successes as was our Joint Energy Luncheon held in November.

Many area schools were affected by the hurricane, and we decided to forego with our annual teachers award program for 2006 and 2007 in favor of mini-grants to help local teachers rebuild their practices and classrooms.

Our chapter will participate in the 2007 Greater New Orleans Science and Engineering Fair (GNOSEF), and will support the Children's Museum with our mulligan funds. Jan Catalano, First Vice Chair, leads our efforts with the science fair event scheduled for March 15 and 16 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship located at 5290 Canal St.

It is my pleasure to announce that the API-Delta Chapter has decided to establish several scholarships for children of API members. We plan to award the scholarships before the beginning of the next school year. Cathy Vaughn, the education committee Chair, will manage the mini-grant and scholarships program, together with our Children's Museum and GNOSEF efforts.

Ken Meyers, Second Vice Chair, has planned an excellent program for our annual API Meritorious Service Awards ceremony that will be held on Wednesday March 21, 2007 at LePavillon Hotel. We are privileged to award the API Meritorious Award to Mr. A.T. Green, and Mr. Ben Waring for their outstanding achievements and service to our industry. Please join us in recognizing these two inspiring gentlemen at our awards celebration.

I would like to thank all the members and sponsors of the API-Delta Chapter for your continuing support in 2007. I look forward to working with you and our very dedicated board to make a difference in our community on behalf of all our members.

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API Educational Focus

The Delta Chapter of API strives to serve all aspects of the local oil and gas industry by acting as a joint industry support organization. In addition, the Chapter actively supports the community and the surrounding area.

API considers education a vital part of our industry's livelihood. Pursuant to this end, our local chapter's board of directors maintains an aggressively active Education Committee.

Prior to Hurricane Katrina, the Chapter secured nominations of teachers who have shown superior teaching skills from each of the six public school systems in the API-Delta Chapter surveyed. We have also asked that teachers who have shown superior skills in math and science in their classrooms be nominated for recognition. The Chapter recognized each exceptional teachers (total of 24) at an annual luncheon and presented a monetary award to each at their local school board meetings. Our Chapter has given nearly \$7,200 in teachers' awards every year, totaling nearly \$130,000 over the years.

Additionally, Delta Chapter has assisted the GNOSEF (Greater New Orleans Science and Engineering Fair, Inc.) and recognized students with outstanding energy related projects; created a permanent exhibit at and the Louisiana Children's Museum(LCM), and partnered with NOGS for the annual LCM "Super Science Saturday" event.

Post-Katrina our board of directors is considering even more integrated and innovative ways to stimulate education that supports the local energy industry's growth and vitality. Ideas include mini grants to local schools, a college scholarship program,

partnering with Junior Achievement, and advisory positions for local college professors.

The Chapter's web page (www.api-delta.org) is designed to help educate the community about local industry career opportunities. It has a complete listing of jobs that are performed throughout the industry. Individuals and school counselors can use this listing to help develop rewarding career paths. A general description of the work is given for each position along with its educational requirements.

Our chapter's goals and objectives are continually evolving to fit the needs of our local community and our overall impact will not diminish as long as dedicated individuals who love this industry donate their time and resources to the cause.

If you are interested in helping us help New Orleans, your time, talents, and energy are welcome.

Kendall Meyers



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Education Committee

The board acted on the education Committee recommendations as follows:

- Approved total of 10 grants worth \$5000.00
- Approved continued support of GNOSEF for \$1200 awards + \$800 plaques.
- Approved scholarships proposal for APIdelta members' children capped at \$5000.00.
- Approved continued support of La Children's Museum.
- Approved the support of a pilot program using Desk and Derrick's Energy Activity Booklet. Our initial support is for 200 students (2nd and 3rd graders).

system, with over 150 of them under license today.

Waring attended Loyola University Law School, graduating in the top 17% of the class. He created the OCS BBS, a bulletin board system using technology that existed before the Internet, providing landmen with more up to date lease ownership information. It is the only major web portal exclusively dedicated to the federal portion of the GOM Outer Continental Shelf besides the MMS website.

Waring was the keynote luncheon speaker in 1996 at the Houston Association of Professional Landmen's Technical Workshop. He has spoken at the AAPL, the Lafayette Association of Professional Landmen and the Professional Landmen's Association of New Orleans. He has authored articles for Landman, GoGulf Magazine, and BIC Alliance Monthly.

During 1999-2000, Waring served as Secretary of the Petroleum Landmen's Association of New Orleans where he was responsible for the Newsletter/Advertising. In 2000- 2001, he served on PLANO's Social and OCS Committees. Today, he serves on the Technology Committee. Waring also served on AAPL's Technology II. In 2002, PLANO awarded him in recognition of service to PLANO and AAPL.

In 1999, Waring agreed to serve on the API-Delta Board. He worked with others to unite local associations in New Orleans to exchange ideas, pool resources, and co-sponsor luncheons. He assisted in the first Greater New Orleans Joint Industry Association Luncheon with 13 local associations in the city. Waring's company established Delta Chapter

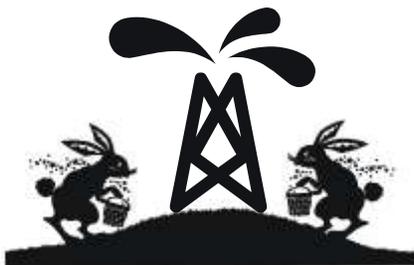
website that offers energy career information, an industry calendar, and other useful items, all in keeping with API Delta's role as a supporting New Orleans association.

Waring acted as land representative on the AAPG Prospect and Property Marketplace (PPM) Committee charged with hosting a three day event in April, 2000, held in conjunction with the annual AAPG convention. In 2002-2004, he and other society leaders formed Gulf Coast Energy Marketplace in New Orleans, an oil and gas prospect and property show for the greater New Orleans area.

Waring's latest project is an Offshore Virtual Courthouse, a repository of all of the historical and current Required and Non-Required filings that are made with the MMS each year on OCS leases in the Gulf of Mexico.

Waring attended Tulane and graduated from Southeastern Louisiana University. Waring lives in uptown New Orleans, Louisiana with his wife, Kathleen and their twin 15 year old girls, Ellie and Nina.

Ben's presentation at the March Meeting will be "Updates on the OCS GOM Lease Sale".



Super Science Saturday

The New Orleans Geological Society will host the 7th Super Science Saturday, Saturday April 7th from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Louisiana Children's Museum. This is a fun filled community event and a great opportunity to give back to the local community.

The event is 5 weeks away and we are still in big need of volunteers. Volunteers are needed to man the stations in two hour shifts. The materials are hands on and easy to learn. We have stations on dinosaurs and other fossils, oil industry materials and our ever popular oil finders game.

Volunteers receive an exclusive Super Science Saturday shirt. Mark your calendars and join us at Super Science Saturday April 7th! For more information please contact Tom Bergeon at (504) 832-3772 To volunteer please contact Tom via email at tom.bergeon@centuryx.com

11th Annual GOM Deepwater Symposium

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Registration on the web opens on March 15th at www.spe-delta.org

Our guest speaker will be Frank Glaviano, Shell VP of Production for the Americas.

In 1985, Shell Western Exploration & Production, Inc. contracted Green Exploration Co. to provide geological services that utilized all of Shell's South Louisiana geological, geophysical, and paleontological data to develop potential prospects in South Louisiana. Since 1987 Green Exploration has developed South Louisiana prospects utilizing geologists, geophysicists, engineers, landmen, and attorneys. Today Green owns a working interest or an ORRI in several producing areas including: Bay Marchand Block 5, Caillou Island, Orange Grove, Southwest Lake Boeuf, Melodia, Rousseau, Delta Farms, South Houma, Myette Point, Valentine, North Deep Lake, and Coon Point Block 39.

A.T. Green has been a very active member of the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists (SIPES). He held the local offices of Treasurer in 1975 and Chapter Chairman from 1976 to 1978. He was the National Convention Chairman in 1981 and a National Director in 1982 to 1985 as well as National Secretary in 1983. He was National President in 1984. He continues to be active as chairman of the Remembrance/Historian and Political Action Committees. He represents SIPES on the newly

formed "One Voice Committee," which gathers all the various industry bodies to pool the available resources to help area schools. As SIPES National President, he initiated action to create the national headquarters office and introduced the concept and need for a confidentiality agreement for SIPES members.

Other organizations include the Independent Petroleum Association of America (IPAA), where he was a director for five years; American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), where he served on the Nomination committee, the House of Delegates and the Continuing Education Committee. For five years he was District Representative of AAPG, later serving 3 years in the House of Delegates. He is a member of the Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies (GCAGS), serving as Vice Chairman of the Special Projects Committee from 1968-1972. He was Treasurer of the New Orleans Geological Society (NOGS). He is a member of the Louisiana Association of Independent Producers and Royalty Owners (LAIPRO) and a Charter member of the Louisiana Energy National Political Action Committee (LENPAC). He served on the board within LENPAC that distributed

funds to national and regional political candidates were interested in preserving the free enterprise system and the energy industry. He received the SIPES Chapter award in 1984, the GCAGS Distinguished Service Award in 1984, and the SIPES Convention Speaker Award in 1990. A.T. has been published a number of times in Gulf Coast and South Louisiana Geology.

Civic Association work by A. T. Green includes the Chamber of New Orleans and the River Region, Bureau of Government Research, LENPAC, LABI, LAIPRO, New Orleans Museum of Art, and the Louisiana Republican Finance Committee. Green has current and former memberships in the Metairie Country Club, the New Orleans Athletic Club, the City Club of New Orleans, the National Republican Finance Committee, the International House, the Southern Yacht Club, the Club Las Hadas in Manzanillo, Mexico, the La Punta Homeowners Association in Manzanillo, Mexico, the New Orleans A & M Club and the International Republican Co-operation Fund.

A. T. graduated from Texas A & M University with a Bachelor of Science in Geology and a minor in Business in 1955.

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and the student's teacher receives \$100

with the school receiving \$200;

Honorable Mention recipient receives \$50

and the student's teacher receives \$50

with the school receiving \$100

In an effort to promote interest in the petroleum industry, the local chapter of the **American Petroleum Industry**, the Delta Chapter, introduced a Special Award Program in the 2004 **Greater New Orleans Science & Engineering Fair, GNOSEF**. The awards are for energy industry related projects in the Energy and Transportation category of the GNOSEF. The winners, their teachers, and schools are recognized and presented the awards described above. In addition to supporting science education in our community, our goal is to generate student interest in energy issues, and in petroleum industry careers.

The **2004 Greater New Orleans Science & Engineering Fair** was the first year the Energy Category was introduced. We hope that our recognition of energy projects in the upcoming 2007 GNOSEF will serve to generate strong participation with energy and oil and gas related science projects. This year's fair is scheduled for March 14-15, 2007 and will take place at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 5290 Canal Boulevard in New Orleans. The fair is open for public viewing March 15 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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The Tournament and Covey Rise Lodge will conduct a practice clays tournament on Friday April 27th, 2007 from noon to 6:30 p.m. Any 5 stand participating team can opt to shoot this event on Friday afternoon. Saturday check in begins at 7:00 a.m. Refreshments snacks and lunch will be on hand for the event participants. Door prizes and other tournament hand-outs will also be distributed at registration. Click on www.api-delta.org for pre event info about the tournament.

We invite you to join us for a fun filled day where families can participate plus build memorable traditions. API-Delta Chapter is dedicated to informing everyone on the importance of petroleum in the world and the many career opportunities available in today’s industry. Proceeds from the Tournament are used for key community programs, awards, scholarships and the ongoing promotion of the oil and gas industry in schools & universities supported by API Delta Chapter.

*Gary Johnson
2007 Tournament Director*



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March 21, 2007

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11:00 - 1:00

Keynote Speaker: State Senator Walter Boasso



State Senator Boasso is a successful businessman and civic leader who is pro-business and conservative on most issues. His priorities include making the state's tax structure more business-friendly, restructuring education to offer more options to non-college-bound students, levee reform, state retirement system reform and initiating insurance reform. He believes in government accountability.

Boasso has twice received recognition as the Legislator of the Year by the Alliance for Good Business.

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