

# SPWP NEWS



January 2007

## President's Letter:

Dear SPWP Members and Guests,

Happy New Year! 2007 is here and it looks like it is going to be a busy year for our industry and for SPWP. SPWP just completed our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year and we are looking forward to expanding some of the ideas and committees that were started in 2006. I would like to extend a very special thanks to all who served on the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and for the special December breakfast! The Christmas party was extra special with not only the slide show, the games, the music and the gifts, but with the many old and new SPWP members that joined us for the celebration. Thank you, each and everyone for making SPWP what it is today!

I would like to extend my gratitude and thanks to Evalyn Shea for the last two years that she has served as president of SPWP. It has been a pleasure serving with you. Many thanks, Evalyn! Also, Jerri Babin is retiring from the SPWP Board after serving as Member-at-Large. Thank you Jerri for making each month come together for SPWP. We will miss both of you at the Board meetings!

I would like to also extend my appreciation to Patsy Wells, Melissa Marshall and Melissa Pastrano for their commitment to another year on the SPWP Board. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to new Board members Nancy Bell and Denise Kraus.

Our guest speaker for January is Richard Spears. It is always informative and special in January to start the year off with insight into the Oil and Gas Industry. This is a great meeting to invite guests, perspective members and clients.

As we begin a new year, we invite all new and old members, to become involved in the many opportunities that SPWP has to offer.

Sincerely,

**Mary**

## January's Meeting

The Breakfast Meeting will be held **Thursday, January 11th, 2007**, at the Sheraton Brookhollow at Interstate 610 and Highway 290, at 7:30 a.m. Regrets should be made with **Denise Kraus** by noon on Monday, January 8th using the Evite email. If you do not receive an evite, please contact Denise at (713) 237-3510 or [dkraus@spwp.org](mailto:dkraus@spwp.org). If you do not plan to attend, you **must** regret. Guest reservations must be made with a credit card (MC or Visa). **Please remember to turn pagers and cell phones off or to silent alarm during meetings.**

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TECHNOLOGY AND  
INFORMATION.

## *Minutes of the December Meeting*

Evalyn Shea called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Sheraton Brookhollow on December 14th.

Evalyn introduced the SPWP Board and guests were introduced. Thank you to our founding members who joined us today!

Melissa Pastrano presented Erica Bogan, Ashley Gaudin, Sheri Henderson and JoAnna Rezin with their new member packets.

Evalyn asked for a motion to approve the November meeting minutes. Margaret Hare made a motion and Sandra Mourton seconded; the meeting minutes were approved.

Evalyn explained that sign-up sheets for next year's committees would be passed around all the tables and brief summaries for each committee were outlined in the December newsletter. Board members were available to answer questions.

Melissa Marshall announced the ByLaws committee would meet in January, date to be determined.

Melissa also noted that some invoices for next year had been sent out and the balance would go out that week. If you have regrets please email or call Melissa; otherwise the money will rollover to the scholarship fund. Dues are due January 31<sup>st</sup> and are subject to a \$25 late fee. Call Melissa if you have questions.

We will meet at the Sheraton Brookhollow again in January. Please check the newsletter and website for our future meeting location.

Clyde wished a Happy Birthday to all the December ladies!

Thank you to Margaret for playing the piano for us!

Richard Spears with Spears and Associates will be our speaker in January.

We enjoyed the games that Vicki Mays arranged for us (thank you Vicki!) and had our gift exchange.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.



### *January Speaker: Richard B. Spears*

Richard Spears is a Managing Director of Spears & Associates, a 40 year old firm specializing in measuring and forecasting oilfield equipment & service markets around the world. Current clients include 240 major oil companies, service companies and investment firms worldwide. Spears' research and data is used to support most mergers and acquisitions that occur in the oilfield's service and equipment sector. The firm has been providing the industry's only commercial drilling forecast since 1982.

In addition to the firm's conventional work, Richard led World Bank missions to Russia's West Siberia (1992) and to Romania (1995) seeking lending and partnering opportunities in the upstream oil & gas sector. Richard has a BS in engineering from Oklahoma State University and did graduate studies in Industrial Engineering. He is a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers. With the firm 22 years, Richard previously worked as a field engineer for Halliburton. Richard is a popular speaker in the industry and gives 30-40 talks each year to SPE, API and financial conferences on market trends and technology forecasts.

### *Happy Birthday Wishes!*

Ellen Howell	Jan. 03
Melissa Pastrano	Jan. 11
Jennifer Simonson	Jan. 18
Izabela Gryciuk	Jan. 20
Tifni Holder	Jan. 25





## *New Member Application*

**Name:** Rhonda Wacasey  
**Company Name:** Beta Int'l, Inc.  
**Sponsored By:** Mary North  
**Interested in the following Committees:** Casino Night



## *By-Law Committee Meeting*

SPWP By-Laws committee will meet on January 30th, this year the committee will be focusing on updating policies and procedures.

This meeting will be held at the Energy Exports offices at 6pm. Dinner and Drinks will be provided by the committee chairperson. This will be our only meeting in 2007!



## *SPWP Casino Night 2007 is set for March 30th!*

Our first casino committee meeting will be on January 10th at the Energy Exports offices at 6pm. This will allow us to sort raffle and entry tickets to distribute at the SPWP meeting on January 11th. This meeting will set the agenda for the event as well as all sub-committee's and future meeting dates. Please make plans to attend this first meeting, if you are unable to attend please contact Melissa Marshall.



## *SPWP Sharing the Holidays*

This year SPWP shared Christmas with "Bridge Over Troubled Waters". This organization houses victims of domestic abuse. During December, they had a "Santa Workshop" for their clients to "shop" for their children at the shelter from donations received. SPWP generously donated gifts, toys, wrapping paper, tape, ribbon, batteries, gift cards, etc., etc. etc. The items were collected at the December meeting and stuffed into Denise Kraus' double cab truck. Denise delivered them to the office of "Bridge Over Troubled Waters". This made the holidays extra special and the generosity and support of SPWP was deeply appreciated!

## *Thank You SPWP!*





## Mark Your Calendar

### January:

#### SPWP Meeting – Richard B. Spears

January 11

#### SPWP Casino Committee Meeting

January 10 @ Energy Exports

#### SPWP By-Laws Committee Meeting

January 30 @ Energy Exports

### February:

#### SPWP Meeting

Closed SPWP Business Meeting  
February 8

### March:

#### SPWP Meeting

Details To Be Announced  
March 8

#### SPWP Casino Night

March 30 at Westlake Club

### April:

#### SPWP Meeting

April 12

### May:

#### SPWP Meeting

May 10



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## Committees & Chairs

### SPWP Scholarship Committee

Chair - Barbara Kender  
Co- Chair - Margaret Hare

### SPWP Golf Committee

Chair - Cathy Williams  
Co- Chairs - Nancy Bell, Lellany Conaway

### SPWP Casino Night Committee

Chair - Melissa Marshall  
Co- Chair - Melissa Pastrano

### SPWP By-Laws Committee

Chair - Melissa Marshall

### SPWP Newsletter

Editor – Lilia Glekel

### SPWP Hospitality Committee

Chair - Alicia Torben

### SPWP Website/Newsletter Committee

Chair - Melissa Pastrano

### SPWP Education Committee

Chair - Denise Kozar

### SPWP 25th Anniversary Committee

Co- Chair - Peggy Vincik  
Co- Chair - Mary North

### SPWP Social Committee

Chair - Carie R. Watson

### SPWP PR & Marketing Committee

Chair - Patsy Wells

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