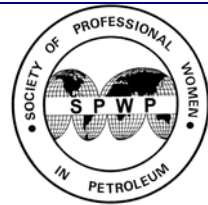


SPWP NEWS



November 2007

President's Letter:

Dear SPWP Members,

This past month has been so busy and it has been quite rewarding to see what is happening in the Houston area. I would like to thank Tracye McDaniel from the Greater Houston Partnership for speaking at our October meeting and sharing with us the outlook for our area in the years to come. Our region is growing and opportunities are expanding. We truly live in a dynamic community that enriches our lives! I was also able to attend the FHPW Gala and the Komen Race for the Cure. The API Golf Tournament was held this past month with our very own Lellany Conway as the first woman Chair in the history of the event! The power of women in our community is extraordinary!

The SPWP Annual Golf Tournament is quickly approaching on Nov. 5th at Windrose Country Club. With the wonderful weather, it looks to be a great day to be out of the office on the golf course surrounded by so many friends that help support our scholarship program. The Nutcracker Market outing also sounds like a fun, relaxing day. Please check the calendar for the time and places for all events.

November brings us to the SPWP Business Meeting that is a members only meeting. This meeting involves many opportunities for everyone in SPWP. The new SPWP Board will be elected along with an overview of this year and the opportunity to sign up for the committees in 2008! Please come and continue to help SPWP expand in the Houston area. SPWP is what each of us wants to make it and I am proud to be a part of this wonderful organization. Hope to see all of you at the November SPWP Business Meeting!

Have a safe and wonderful Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Mary

November's Meeting

This month's meeting will be held **Thursday, November 8th, 2007**, at the Marriott Westchase, located at 2900 Briarpark Drive near Westheimer and Beltway 8, at 7:30 a.m. Regrets should be made with **Denise Kraus** by noon on Monday, November 5th using the Evite email. If you do not receive an Evite, please contact Denise at (713) 237-3510 or dkraus@spwp.org. If you do not plan to attend, you **must** regret. If you do not RSVP, we may not have space to accommodate your attendance. November is our Member's Only Business Meeting. We welcome all guests to the December meeting. 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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Minutes of the October Meeting

Mary Campana called the October meeting to order at the Marriott Westchase Hotel on October 11, 2007. Mary welcomed all in attendance and introduced the SPWP Board members. The guests introduced themselves to the SPWP membership. Mary asked for volunteers to help with the SPWP Golf Tournament and circulated a sign-up sheet regarding same.

Patsy Wells introduced Tracye McDaniel with Greater Houston Partnership. Tracye spoke on "The Power to Shape Houston's Future" and gave information and facts about Houston, Texas and the metro area and how Greater Houston Partnership is working to publicize Houston Metro to the world. The Census Bureau rates Houston Metro as one of the top U.S. cities for women-owned businesses. Houston Metro has many other benefits and advantages, including being home to one of the world's largest ports. In 2005, Greater Houston Partnership developed a ten year strategic plan to encourage continued growth and enhance lifestyles for those in the Houston Metro area. One of the goals of said strategic plain is for Houston Metro to net 600,000 new jobs by 2015 and to develop \$60 billion in new capital investment. A few of the industries the Greater Houston Partnership is projecting strong growth in are aerospace and aviation, petrochemical, nanotechnology and medical fields. On November 13, 2007, Greater Houston Partnership is hosting Houston's Presidential Summit which will be broadcast on NBC for 3 hours. The top four candidates in the Presidential Election will be invited to debate topics before Houstonites.

Mary continued the meeting by asking for a motion on the meeting minutes. Nancy Bell Scales made a motion to accept the September minutes as written and Melissa Marshall seconded. The September minutes were approved.

Nancy welcomed SPWP's newest members--Rachell Gatewood with Vetco Gray (GE) and presented her with a membership packet.

Mary continued the meeting by introducing Lellany Conaway, the SPWP Golf co-chairperson. The date of the SPWP Golf Tournament is Nov. 5th at the Windrose Golf Club. All forms are available on the SPWP Web site (www.spwp.org). Volunteers and prizes are still needed for the golf tournament. All player slots have been filled. Setup on the day of the tournament will begin at 8:00 a.m. for those who have volunteered to assist with the golf tournament.

Melissa Marshall thanked the members of SPWP who volunteered to assist with the API Golf Tournament. API has donated \$3,000 towards SPWP's scholarship fund. Melissa Marshall congratulated Lellany on a successful golf tournament and her service as the first female golf chairman for the API Golf Tournament.

Erica Coman announced that the next social outing will be a shopping trip to the Nutcracker Market on November 10th. The plan is to meet for breakfast before venturing the Reliant Center for holiday cheer and shopping at the Nutcracker Market. Pictures from the cooking class outing at Central Market in September are available for viewing at www.evite.com.

Joan Kraus presented the Nominating Officers slate for 2007. The proposed slate is: President – Melissa Marshall

1st Vice President – Melissa Pastrano
2nd Vice President – Jerri Babin
Membership Secretary – Nancy Bell Scales
Treasurer – Patsy Wells, Erica Coman
Member At Large – Denise Kraus

Joan requested additional volunteers or nominations for any position on the Board of Directors. No additional volunteers or nominations were presented by the membership.

Mary continued the meeting by announcing that the next FHPW quarterly meeting will be held on October 23rd at the Hess Club.

Other Business:

Mary announced that new SPWP shirts have been ordered and order forms are available at today's meeting.

Mary then announced that the Women's Global Leadership Conference is coming up soon and the information is available on their Web site.

Mary announced that TOCIFT has made a \$5,000 donation to the SPWP Scholarship Fund. Clyde wished all the ladies with an October birthday, a very special Birthday! Clyde also thanked all the ladies from SPWP who volunteered at the API Golf Tournament.

Lellany thanked all the ladies who volunteered for the API Golf Tournament on Oct. 11th at the Kingwood Country Club. The financials are not finished yet, but there will be a nice contribution for the SPWP Scholarship fund made for the volunteering.

Mary announced that Lilia, who is the current newsletter editor, has elected not to return as newsletter editor next year and requested that anyone interested in fulfilling the role to contact either her or Melissa Marshall.

Melissa Marshall drew for the Halloween door prizes and the

winners were JoAnna Resin,
Angie Mosley and Barbara Davis.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47
a.m.



New Member Applications

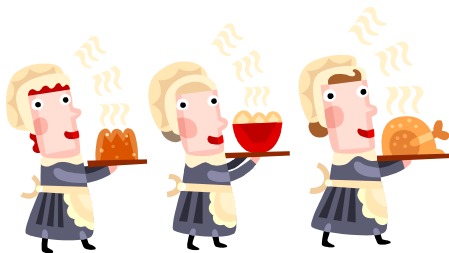
SPWP has received membership
applications from the following
persons:

Name: Meredith Dell' Amico
Title: Sales Rep in Vendor
Relations

Company Name: Weatherford
Sponsored By: Alicia Torben
**Interested in the following
Committees:** Casino Night

Name: Lachelle Buchanan
Title: Business Analyst
Company Name: Vetco Gray, a
GE Oil & Gas Business
Sponsored By: Barbara Kender
**Interested in the following
Committees:** Casino Night,
Golf Tournament & Scholarship

Name: Cynthia Peppard
Title: Contract Manager –
Capital Equipment
Company Name: National
Oilwell Varco
Sponsored By: Jerri Babin
**Interested in the following
Committees:** Golf Tournament

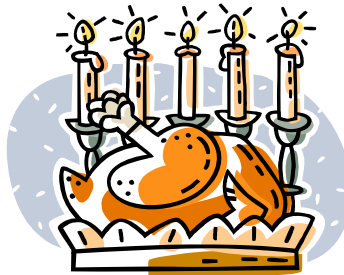


FHPW News & Dates

Since SPWP is affiliated with
FHPW (Federation of Houston
Professional Women), we
encourage all of our members
and guests to check the FHPW
Web site for the latest topics
relevant for women doing
business in Houston. FHPW
offers an emailed newsletter
coming right to your mailbox.
To sign up, send a blank email
to: [fhpw-news-
subscribe@egroups.com](mailto:fhpw-news-
subscribe@egroups.com).

Happy Birthday to SPWP Members!

Angie Cadena-Gutierrez
..... Nov. 4
Sandra Mourton..... Nov. 16
Cindy Wright Nov. 21
Melissa Marshall..... Nov. 22



Other Announcements

**Women's Global Leadership
Conference:** The 2007 3rd
Annual Women's Global
Leadership Conference will be
held on November 27-28 at the
Westin Galleria. SPWP will
sponsor the conference again
this year. The conference will
kick-off with a networking
reception on the evening of the
27th. SPWP members attending
the conference are eligible for a
\$100 registration discount.
There has been a Web site setup
for early information on the
conference:
www.gulfpub.com/WGLC.



Plans for the **2007 SPWP
Charity Golf Tournament** are
finalizing; tournament is
Monday, November 5th at the
Windrose Golf Club.

If you would like to volunteer
and have not done so, please
contact Cathy Williams, Susie
Coon, Lellany Conaway or Lilia
Glekel. If you can sign up for
either a half-day or full-day shift,
please contact Lilia Glekel
(lglekel@spwp.org) for the
schedule and available slots.

SPWP New Member Applications and Member Roster Updates

All requests for SPWP new
member applications and any
changes/updates to the SPWP
Member Roster should be
forwarded to Nancy Bell-Scales,
the SPWP Secretary by email at:
nbell@spwp.org.



Mark Your Calendar

November:

SPWP Golf Tournament
Monday, November 5, at
Windrose Golf Club

SPWP Meeting
Thursday, November 8
Member's Only Business
Meeting – no speaker this
month

**SPWP Social – Nutcracker
Market @ Reliant Center**
Saturday, November 10

Thanksgiving Day –
Thursday, November 22

**2007 Women's Global
Leadership Conference**
November 27-28, Westin
Galleria.

December:

SPWP Meeting
Thursday, December 13
Annual Holiday Breakfast!

Christmas Day –Tuesday,
December 25

January:

New Years Day –Tuesday,
January 1

SPWP Meeting
Thursday, January 10



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SPWP Committees & Chairs

SPWP Casino Night Committee

Chair – Nancy Bell-Scales
Co-Chair – Janet McAfee &
Melissa Marshall

SPWP Scholarship Committee

Chair - Barbara Kender
Co-Chair - Margaret Hare

SPWP Golf Committee

Chair - Cathy Williams
Co-Chairs – Susie Coon &
Lellany Conaway

SPWP By-Laws Committee

Chair - Melissa Marshall
Co-Chair – Nancy Bell-Scales

SPWP Education/Social Committee

Chair – Evalyn Shea
Co-Chair - Erica Coman

SPWP Historian Committee

Chair – Vicki Mays

SPWP Hospitality Committee

Chair - Alicia Torben

SPWP Newsletter

Editor – Lilia Glekel

SPWP Web site/Newsletter

Chair - Melissa Pastrano

FHPW Delegates

Main - Lindsay Hanisko &
Patsy Wells
Alt. – Evalyn Shea



Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee met and decided upon a slate of candidates for the 2008 SPWP Board of Directors. Most of the current board members decided to remain on the board.

After talking with many individual members of SPWP and the current board, the following slate of nominees was chosen:

President:

Melissa Marshall

1st Vice President:

Melissa Pastrano

2nd Vice President:

Jerri Babin

Treasurer:

Patsy Wells

Erica Coman

Membership Secretary:

Nancy Bell

Member-at-Large:

Denise Kraus

Balloting will be at the November breakfast meeting and is open to any members in good standing; i.e. dues and fees are current. Absentee voting is available to those who will be unable to attend the November meeting, subject to the same membership criteria.

Absentee ballots will be provided by Mary Campana and must be returned to her by Wednesday, November 7th by 5 pm.

Results of the voting will be announced at the end of the breakfast meeting in November, and the new Board of Directors will take over in January 2008.

I would like to urge new members to become involved first in committee work and ultimately to run for a board position. It is truly the best way to become a part of SPWP and to get to know the members.

Thanks to the committee for their work on this project.

Regards,

Sandra Mourton
Nominating Committee Chair



Slate of Candidates:

Melissa Marshall

Board Position: President

Member Since: 2002

Participation: Board of Directors,
Treasurer 2005 – 2007

Casino Night Co-Chair 2004-2005

Casino Night Chair 2006-2007

Golf Tournament Committee 2004-2006

By Laws Committee Chair 2005-Current

SPWP Liaison API Golf Tournament 2006-Current

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because: My overall experience in SPWP will lend to the continued growth and development of the organization within the petroleum industry. I believe that women empower each other, and that this is an amazing

group of empowered women. I am fortunate to have been able to experience the “heart” of SPWP over the last couple of years, and will consider it an honor to serve as your President in 2008.

Melissa Pastrano

Board Position: 1st Vice President

Member Since: June 2003

Participation: Board of Directors:

1st Vice President 2007;

Membership Secretary 2005 – 2006

Casino Night Committee Chair 2005

Casino Night Committee Co-Chair

2006 – 2007

Scholarship Committee 2005 – 2007

Web Site Chair 2006 - 2007

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

Being a member of SPWP for four years has been an extraordinary experience. I felt honored to receive a scholarship from this organization when I graduated from high school and was eager to become a member and contribute to its growing success.

Participating on the Board of Directors and being active on the committees has helped me give back to other young ladies starting their college careers, who may in turn become members of our growing organization. This has been an extremely rewarding experience for me.

It is very exciting to see the new faces in our meetings every month. I would strongly encourage new members to get involved in committees and meet the fellow members of this organization.

As 1st Vice President of SPWP, I would like to continue to help support the communication efforts of our organization, including the Web site and newsletter.



Jerri Babin

Board Position: 2nd Vice President

Member since: February 2004

Committee Participation:

Scholarship (2007), Golf Tournament Committee (2004,2005) and Casino Night (2006,2007), Member at Large 2006

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

The primary responsibility of 2nd Vice President is arranging the monthly speakers. Over the last two years, Patsy Wells has done an outstanding job of finding interesting and diverse speakers that have enabled SPWP to attract new members and continue to develop the existing members. I believe that SPWP will continue to mentor other women in the oilfield and I want to have an active part in developing our membership with enriching speakers.

Patsy Wells

Board Position: Treasurer

Member since: July 2003

Committee Participation:

Scholarship Committee – 2004, 2005, 2006 & 2007

Hospitality Committee – 2004, 2005

Golf Committee – 2007, volunteer previous years

Casino Committee – 2007, volunteer previous years

FHPW Delegate - 2007

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

I believe SPWP provides enormous value to our industry. I would like to contribute my experience and support

to further guide and develop SPWP's growing membership. In addition, I think it is important to continue to encourage and create opportunities for our membership to participate and continue to grow with us.

Erica N. Coman

Board Position: Treasurer

Member since: November 2006

Committee Participation:

Social Chair - 2007

Scholarship Committee – 2007

API Golf Tournament – Volunteered 2007

Casino Committee – Volunteered 2007

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

I would truly like to be considered for the SPWP Treasurer for many reasons. I promise to continue to work diligently, honest, and will be available to honor the two year commitment that this position highly recommends. In addition, I would like to encourage all members to become active in the unique opportunities that SPWP provides, as well as being a positive leader for women in the industry. If anyone has any questions please do not hesitate to ask, and I hope you all have a great month!

Nancy Bell Scales

Board Position: Membership Secretary

Member Since: December 2005

Committee Participation:

API Golf Tournament – Volunteered 2005, 2006

Casino Committee – 2006

Casino Committee Co-Chair – 2007

Casino Committee Chair – 2008

Golf Tournament Co-Chair – 2006

Membership Secretary – 2007

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

I would truly like to be considered for the SPWP because I believe that there is no better way to give back to the community than through philanthropic organizations that shape the future of young girls. Youth is the backbone of our future and if we don't invest in them now then we have truly let ourselves and future generations down.

Denise Kraus

Board Position: Member at Large

Member since: 2005

Committee Participation:

API Golf Tournament – Volunteered 2005, 2007

Casino Committee – 2007

Casino Volunteer – 2005, 2007

Golf Tournament Committee – 2005, 2006, 2007

Golf Tournament Volunteer – 2005, 2006, 2007

Member at Large - 2007

I would like to serve on the SPWP Board of Directors because:

I believe in this organization. I have grown up watching my mother enjoy participating in the SPWP. I remember going through the scholarship interview process my senior year and how I looked up to all of the members as accomplished women in the industry. I enjoy welcoming existing, new and potential members to our organization and this position allows me to know each individual that participates in our functions.



SPWP November Meeting Agenda

November 8, 2007

- * Welcome
- * Elections
- * Minutes of the October Meeting
- * Membership – Nancy Bell
- * Reservations – Denise Kraus
- * Treasurer’s Report – Melissa Marshall
- * Speakers – Patsy Wells
- * Committees
 - Casino Night – Nancy Bell
 - Scholarship – Barbara Kender
 - Golf – Cathy Williams
 - By-Laws – Melissa Marshall
 - Education / Social
 - Historian
 - Website / Newsletter
 - Hospitality

- * Other Business
 - FHPW
 - API
 - AADE
 - TOCIFT
 - Christmas
 - Other
 - Next Meeting – Dec. 13
- * Adjourn

