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Chairman's Gavel

Miranda Dunham, 2022-2023 Chairman

Happy New Year!

I cannot believe it is 2023. I both love and hate the passing of time. I love that there are always new seasons and things to look forward to but I hate knowing I'll never get back some of these precious moments. Specifically, I have enjoyed watching my kids develop and change through the years. For Christmas, my two older kids wanted money, video games, and makeup. While the youngest didn't care about the gift itself, but found more enjoyment out of the wrapping paper. It was a good reminder to me that time and people are invaluable and I shouldn't take them for granted.

Therefore, my goal this year is to be intentional with my time. It's one of the scarcest things on this earth - I hope you too choose to spend your time wisely. I am happy to say that some of my time in 2023 will be spent with our local Section. I am looking forward to the many speakers Brian Flake has lined up. The first speaker of the new year will be a virtual Distinguished Lecturer. Although they will be virtual, I have no doubt that the topic will be captivating. As a reminder, this event will be held somewhere different. Please find the details in the newsletter.

The Golf Tournament and Membership Appreciation event are soon approaching. Please be on the lookout for their posted dates and times. We hope that you all can attend. They are great opportunities to network and meet many other locals in the industry. If anyone is interested in helping or getting involved in our Section, please feel free to send me an email!

Sincerely,

Miranda Dunham

2022-2023 Chairman

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From Your Editor

Betty Felber, 2022-2023 Editor

Welcome to 2023. We have made it to this year. Our Section is busy with the monthly business and preparing for the 2024 IOR Conference. The IOR Planning Committee has some open jobs. We are looking for active volunteers.

Our January meeting will have a Distinguished Lecturer. Come to hear what he has to report. We have had some interesting meetings. If you haven't come to them, you have missed out.

Wishing you the best year ever.

Betty Felber
Editor

Calendar of Events

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 | Distinguished Lecturer

- Simon J. Sparke - Well integrity in the Operate phase of the well lifecycle our roll as crime scene detectives - (ORU Tulsa Conference Center - see *details page 6*).

Monday, May 8, 2023 - **SAVE THE DATE**

- SPE Mid-Continent Section Golf Tournament, Meadowbrook - **Watch for details as they develop via email and in future newsletters.**

Thursday, May 25, 2023 - **SAVE THE DATE**

- Spring Membership Event at Hunter Park in Tulsa - **Watch for details as they develop via email and in future newsletters.**

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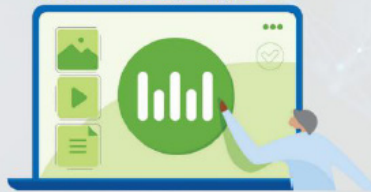
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JANUARY 2023

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 2023 | Luncheon Meeting | 10:40 - 11:45 a.m.

This is a virtual presentation with a boxed lunch, the presentation begins at 11 am. *Also note the new meeting location below:*

Location: OSU Tulsa Conference Center, 700 N. Greenwood, Tulsa, OK 74106. (An interactive campus map is available at <https://tulsa.okstate.edu/map> showing the location of the conference center and where parking is available.)

Speaker: Simon J. Sparke | SPE Distinguished Lecturer

Topic: “Well integrity in the Operate phase of the well lifecycle our roll as crime scene detectives”

Register: To register and pay by credit card, or to make reservations to pay with cash or check at the door,* go to <https://spemc011823.eventbrite.com>. Registration ends Monday, January 16 at 4 p.m. No walk-ins please.

Description

My takeaway ONE idea - “Having a well Well integrity problem is not a sin, but doing nothing about it is!”.

Globally, there are over two millions wells, and it is well documented that at least 40% have mechanical problems that require risk assesment and mitigation. Many of these wells are old and lose to de-commisioning but day to day management remains a key issue. This dynamic presentation shows and documents how over time, key industry events have impacted the well construction and management proces of our well stock. Changes are partly driven by regulations in one part of the world and utilised by other regions as best practices. Technical advances in engineering and sciences also create change by providing greater access to well data and well operational status. Finally, software such as Well Integrity Management Systems (WIMS) has brought about an

Watch for announcements about future meetings and events in this newsletter or by email. To register and pay by credit card, or make a reservation to pay by check or cash at the door, go to the corresponding link for a luncheon. In-person luncheon cost is \$25.00 for Professionals, \$10 for Retired/Unemployed/Graduate Students, and free for Undergraduate Students. Payment by credit card is for advanced registrations ONLY, no credit cards will be accepted at the meeting, only check or cash accepted at the door with a reservation. No walk-ins please.

awareness of the wells status and how it can be better managed particularly as part of the ageing process.

Well integrity is an exciting discipline that embraces a wide range of subjects and skills. Like crime scene investigation, the evidence is provided - it's a case of reviewing and understanding the data, that ultimately leads you and the team to making a decision on the best way to manage your well(s).



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— Thomas A. Edison

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