



SPWP News

This month's meeting will be held June 8th, 2017 at the Norris Conference Center, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Please respond to the PunchBowl Invite letting us know if you will be joining us or not. Regrets and RSVPs should be sent to Kadie Rose via email or the PunchBowl Invite. If you do not RSVP, we may not have the space to accommodate you. If you RSVP yes and do not attend, you will be charged the cost of the breakfast.

Reservations can be made by credit card (MasterCard, Visa or American Express) at the breakfast meeting or via PayPal on our Web site: www.spwp.org.

Please remember to turn cell phones off or to silent during meetings.



Happy Summer!



PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Hello SPWP Ladies,

It is officially the start of summer and things begin heating up.

We will have our Q2 Social event – Girls Day at the Beach in Galveston – on Saturday, June 10. All details have been finalized and I'm looking forward to the relaxing getaway. If you want to attend, please contact Kayla Honza.

The Scholarship Committee will present this year's scholarship recipients at our July 13th breakfast meeting. Be sure to save the date! We surpassed the \$1 Million mark in scholarship awards last year and are getting to work on the next Million.

I am sure many of you will be going on vacation this summer. Enjoy the time with family and friends, and don't forget to send pictures and a small write up to Erin Stroud for the newsletter. We'd love to hear all about your vacations!

Remember to "Like" us on Facebook at Society of Professional Women in Petroleum, Houston. Here, you can see all the things we have going on and learn more about the organizations with whom we partner.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Sylvia Garcia

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MAY MINUTES

President Sylvia Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:32 am on Thursday, May 11th at Norris Conference Center. Sylvia welcomed all SPWP members and guests, and then introduced the 2017 board members.

Sylvia asked for a motion to approve the April minutes as written in the newsletter. Sherry Adams approved and Rhonda Warren seconded. No one opposed, so the minutes were approved as written.

Committee Updates:

- Scholarship – Sylvia announced that of the 79 applications received, 11 young women would be interviewed on Saturday May 13th.
- Casino – Mary Petricko thanked all the committee members and volunteers for their help. She also announced final numbers were still in the works, but it appears SPWP raised \$6716.24 from the Casino Event.
- Sylvia reminded the membership about the Day at the Beach social outing scheduled for June 10th. Kayla has emailed those who have signed up to put together a game plan.
- The Social Outing for Q3 will be a visit to Krause Children's Center. Kadie Rose will provide more details in the coming months.

2nd VP Kayla introduced guest speaker and SPWP member Katherine Culbert. Katherine spoke about Process Safety Management 101. Following her presentation and questions, Kayla presented a speaker gift to Katherine.

Sylvia recognized Erin Stroud as the Featured Member of the Month for May.

Sylvia also announced that the Volunteers of the Month for May were the Casino Committee and Volunteers.

Lauren Jijina reminded everyone that the Scholarship interviews were being held on Saturday May 13th and if anyone was interested in helping, to please reach out to her or Kara Ellis.

Sylvia made the following announcements:

- OHH 13th Annual Saltwater Fishing tournament will be held June 15th & 16th in Port O'Connor, and is still open for sponsors and teams.
- During the OHH Fishing Tournament, Blue Bonnet Youth Ranch (BBYR) will bring out some of their kids to fish for the weekend. OHH is thus seeking donations to help cover the expense.
- OHH was honored with the Distinguished Achievement Award for Non-Profit Organizations by OTC and presented with a check for \$200,000.
- Birthdays were recognized
- There were 4 guests at the meeting and all introduced themselves.
- Next meeting will be June 8th
- Reminded membership to like us on Facebook

Sylvia then opened the floor for any announcements, but there were not any.

Sylvia adjourned the meeting at 8:10am.

Respectfully submitted,
Renee' Brown

JUNE FEATURED MEMBER

Michelle Vincent

I started in the Oil and Gas Industry about 14 years ago with a drilling contractor named Premium Drilling. I left there to work in Inside Sales at Derrick Equipment, and after a couple of years there I started my journey with the NOV Export group as an Inside Sales Representative. Since then, we have spun off to become DNOW, and I have moved into the role of Account Representative for the Export group. In this role, I handle most drilling contractors that have procurement or purchasing arms in the Houston area.

I have been married for 10 years this August and have 2 daughters, 1 dog, and 1 cat. My oldest daughter is a senior at Texas A&M, graduating this December. My youngest daughter will be headed into second grade after the summer. She loves soccer and swimming. We enjoy traveling as a family every summer and this year will be going to Cozumel. My husband and I will also take an anniversary trip alone and will cross Greece off our bucket list. We are super excited about this one!



Cancun family trip in 2016



Me and my husband



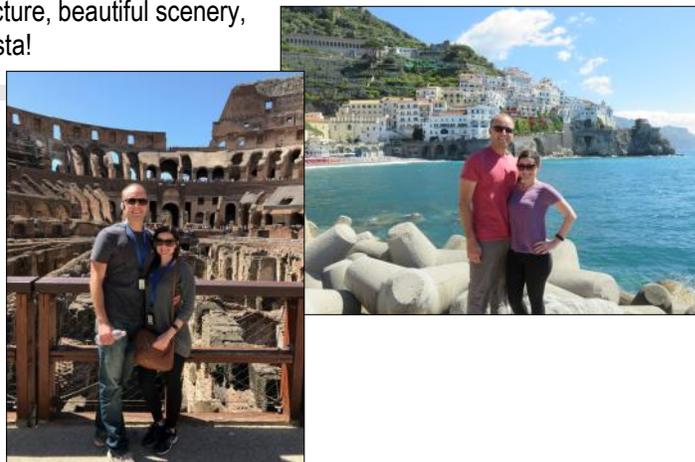
Puerto Rico Family Trip in 2016

SPWP SCOOP

So what is going on with you?



Erin Stroud and her husband visited Italy in May to celebrate their first wedding anniversary. It was an amazing trip filled with history, architecture, beautiful scenery, and pasta!



Rhonda Warren and Jeff Bean tied the knot on June 3! Up next is a Honeymoon to Lake Louise, Canada from June 19 - 25. Rhonda and Jeff met at lunch at OTC three years ago and he has been her date to Derricks & Dice every year since. Congratulations to the Happy Couple!



Kadie Rose went to Cabo San Lucas in May for a girls weekend with some of her sorority sisters and friends from college



HAPPY
Birthday



June 22

Jerri Babin



Pearl



Rose

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

An update from one of our 2016 Scholarship Recipients...

My name is Jasmine Workman and I am a freshman at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. My first year of college was, as to be expected, full of adjustment. It's a freeing experience being able to completely manage my own schedule. However, it can also be overwhelming with the endless options. It took a while until I seemed to have a more or less set schedule for my weekly to-do's, such as doing laundry, working out, and catching up on my favorite TV shows. I would include homework, but that is a daily to-do – there is too much to be able to complete only working once a week! Especially in my second semester, I not only had a large volume of homework assignments, but a few projects as well. As an engineering student, I have been warned about design projects from upperclassmen, but did not realize the sheer number of hours they could require (especially if you are a perfectionist like I am). However, despite the lost hours of sleep, the feeling of accomplishment and the knowledge I gained made the effort worthwhile. I especially enjoyed designing and constructing a model landfill in a 2-Liter bottle, since it specifically relates to my major, environmental engineering.

In addition to an increase in schoolwork, my second semester also brought along more outings around Lubbock. I discovered the joys of the drive-in movie theatre, learned the best Chinese places to order from, and started on my list of coffee places to try. These adventures were interspersed between classes and studying, which made them even more enjoyable. In this coming semester, I look forward to planning my study abroad experience in Dublin in the spring semester and delving further into my major with the coming courses. For perhaps the first time ever, I seriously look forward to going back to school after the summer break for the learning itself, not just to see friends or to have something to do (though both remain true). I'm excited to like what I'm learning and even more excited for all that's yet to come in these next few years.

- Jasmine Workman



CAREER CORNER

Why Being Humble Will Get You Nowhere

A client spearheaded a major technology change initiative, coming in under budget and meeting all deliverables. While this might seem like a winning formula for succession, he then applied for three internal executive positions and was turned down for all three. He was bewildered. The project he so successfully led was one of top two initiatives for his organization.

I suggested he inquire as to why he was turned down. He did, and fortunately received candid feedback. The executive team replied, "We don't really know you". My client was incredulous, and an important message was learned: Keeping your head down and doing great work is not enough. Despite a project that crossed all business platforms, it was clear this may not be the only requirement it takes to get ahead. So what was missing?

Leadership brand value is not taught in school. It is something you gain from experience and seasoning, or if you are fortunate to secure a great mentor along your way. Your brand value derives in part from the relationships you cultivate. No one is necessarily looking out for you. No one necessarily knows your role in enacting change. If you fly under the radar, you miss an opportunity to create an important buzz around you.

So what do you need to do? I would call it engaging in balanced self-promotion. Of course you cannot get there without your team. You are more likely to be considered for future opportunities if you catch the attention of a key influencer. Key influencers have respect and clout regarding identifying and promoting next generation leaders. If you are a star and behave like a B player, you will likely find yourself sitting on the bench.

If you want to ramp up your career prospects, do these four things:

1. **Create Visibility** - Ask your manager for more visibility. Be the delegate at senior leadership forums. Present, challenge, and speak up, so you are seen as adding value.
2. **Display Balanced Promotion** - You must intersperse "I" in your dialogue. What do you own and take credit for, alongside your team? Ask yourself, "Could your team have achieved this success on their own?". Every team needs a leader. What was your role? You must have a compelling story.
3. **Network Broadly** - There is a risk in being too insular. Find ways to add value to a broader audience. Meet with other business partners and inquire how you can add greater value or enhance their ease of doing business.
4. **Engage with Multiple Stakeholders** - Request a project that provides exposure to a diverse set of stakeholders. Demonstrate initiative and reach out to each executive to understand their priorities. Talk to them about your career aspirations and garner their input relative to increasing your profile.

Your brand value is your currency! By demonstrating your value to those who can play a pivotal role in accelerating your career, your name will be in the minds of key decision makers when it comes to future promotion opportunities.

This information has been adapted from an article by Cindy Wahler, which can be found at <https://www.forbes.com/sites/elleivate/2014/12/31/why-being-humble-will-get-you-nowhere/#119367146df4>

JUNE SPEAKER

Vidya Jeyachandrabose



Vidya Jeyachandrabose leads BP's cyber security projects to ensure BP's cyber defenses remain current against a rapidly evolving threat landscape with a risk-based view. Prior to this, she provided PMO support for SAP projects, including a Production Revenue 'Accounting (PRA) program. In her role, she conducted project quality assurance activities, supported project planning and compliance requirements, and ensured project delivery methodologies and standards were being followed. Vidya joined BP in 2006 as a SOX compliance analyst, where she provided assurance to business and IT Leadership on the health of IT SOX Controls by monitoring performance against compliance and control plans, analyzing data metrics, and delivering reports for management.

Prior to BP she worked in the chemical industry for Dow Chemicals. There she was a metrics specialist, focusing on the delivery of an IT dashboard, as well as an SAP Implementation Specialist with emphasis on the Materials Management module.

Vidya holds a Bachelor of Computer Science from the University of Michigan. She is certified in PMP and ITIL V3 Foundations. She has earned a brown belt in Tae Kwon Do, and enjoys participating in yoga and meditation programs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE UPDATE

We have 11 scholarship winners this year! We look forward to meeting them/hearing from them at our July Breakfast Meeting.

SAVE THE DATE! UPCOMING SPWP SOCIAL EVENTS

Saturday, June 10th Galveston Beach Day*
Third Quarter 2017 Krause Children's Center

**Please contact Kayla Honza (Kayla.Honza@nov.com) for more information*

DONATIONS NEEDED!

Bluebonnet Youth Ranch (BBYR) is collecting donations to take the deserving children from the ranch on a fishing trip as part of OHH's Fishing Tournament. These children have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect, and this is a great opportunity to bring a smile to their faces! If you wish to donate, please get with Sylvia Garcia.

FHPW WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE GALA

FHPW's 2017 Women of Excellence Awards Gala will be held Saturday, September 16th at 5:30pm at Norris Conference Center. Save the date!

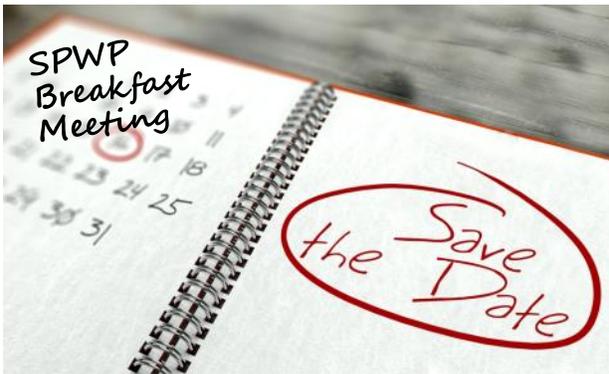
To register: <https://form.jotform.com/fhpw/galareservations>
To sponsor: <https://form.jotform.com/fhpw/sponsorships>



Quarterly Event Meeting
 Norris Conference Center
 July 24, 2017 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

To sign up for the FHPW newsletter, send a blank email to: fhpw-news-subscribe@egroups.com.

SPWP's Mission statement: Supporting career women in the petroleum industry through technology and information.



June Breakfast Meeting 06/08

July Breakfast Meeting 07/13



The **Society of Professional Women in Petroleum** was formed in early 1981 to support professional career women in the Petroleum Industry, through networking, education, and the distribution of technology and information. SPWP is incorporated as a non-profit organization.

All aspects of drilling and production operations are covered through topical monthly breakfast meetings and industry speakers, and we constantly seek to further expand the knowledge of our members. We also feature professional development speakers and hold roundtable discussions on a rotating basis.

SPWP's membership consists of women who have active careers in the Oil & Gas Industry in fields including Engineering, Geology, Sales, Research, Finance, Law, Quality Assurance, Purchasing, Advertising, and Marketing.

SPWP is dedicated to furthering the careers of women in the Oil & Gas Industry and as part of our mission, we have a merit-based scholarship program that provides financial assistance to female Houston-area high school seniors entering a Texas college. Our annual fundraisers on behalf of this program are made possible through the tremendous support of companies within the industry, as well as through the tireless dedication of our members. Our fundraisers to date have included crawfish boils, barbecues, golf tournaments, and casino nights.



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