April 20 AADE Event:
Dribus Will Address Potential Drilling Hazards in Deep Water

The American Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE) Lafayette Chapter will hold its next General Meeting at 11:30 a.m. Monday, April 20, 2015, at the Petroleum Club of Lafayette.

John Dribus, global geosciences advisor for Schlumberger Oil Field Services, will discuss potential drilling hazards in deep water. Since the Macondo incident occurred in the Gulf of Mexico, the oil and gas industry has been diligent in addressing various drilling hazards that may be encountered in deep water. This presentation focuses on understanding the geologic origin of various hazards in deep water and around salt by reviewing the geologic origin, characteristics and behaviors of three deepwater hazard types. Attendees and their guests with reservations are $20, and walk‐ins will be $25. RSVP online, email your RSVP or call 337‐237‐4406 by noon Friday, April 17.

>>RSVP online (you may also pay online)
>>RSVP via email
>>Call 337‐237‐4406

Dribus is a reservoir geologist with more than 39 years of experience and has worked all aspects of petroleum exploration, exploitation and production geology. He worked five years as a Uranium field geologist and 20 years for Mobil Oil Corporation as a petroleum geologist – including 14 years working the deepwater Gulf of Mexico and subsalt province.

For the past 14 years, he has worked for Schlumberger as Northern Gulf of Mexico operations manager and as global geologic advisor working deepwater basins in the Gulf of Mexico, Greenland, the Black Sea, the Red Sea, Ghana (Jubilee), Gabon, Angola and Brazil, with emphasis on sub‐salt and pre‐salt exploration. His expertise is in petroleum systems analysis, global deep water analogs, exploring in salt basins and geological risk analysis.

He is the former chairman of the advisory board of the American Petroleum Institute Delta Chapter, serves on the Imperial Barrel Award Committee of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and is a member of the AAPG, New Orleans Geological Society, Houston Geological Society, the Society of Petroleum Engineers and European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE). In 2013, he was recognized by the Society of Petroleum Engineers with the Eastern North America Region Reservoir Description and Dynamics Award. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Award for 2014 by the American Petroleum Institute (API) Delta Section.

Upcoming AADE Events:
> April 20: General Meeting
> May 14: F5 Lafayette at Blackham Coliseum
> May 18: General Meeting

AADE 2014‐2015 Officers:
> President: Alden Sonnier, MI Swaco
> First Vice President: David Gomez, Chevron
> Second Vice President: Matt Hensgens, Chevron
FIN FEATHER FUR FOOD FESTIVAL NEARLY HERE!

Purchase tickets today!

F5 is Heading to Blackham Coliseum in Lafayette on May 14!

The AADE Lafayette Chapter is hard at work making plans for an AADE Fin Feather Fur Food Festival on May 14, 2015, in Lafayette, Louisiana, at Blackham Coliseum.

More information online

Purchase tickets today!

SPE/AADE Luncheon Study Group Set for April 21 at the Petroleum Club

At 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, at the Petroleum Club in Lafayette, SPE and AADE will hold a luncheon study group on how to prepare the application and study sites for the FE / PE, as per Louisiana Board Regulations. This event is for anyone interested in preparing for and taking these examinations. This event is expected to conclude by 1 p.m. and is open to anyone in the industry and students who may be interested in preparing for these tests.

DOWNLOAD INFORMATION ON THIS EVENT

A Note From the Chef:

The Petroleum Club has requested that all attendees serve themselves from the prepared selection of food located behind the ballroom that is reserved for AADE participants. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

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- Committee Chair: Al Wambsgans, DC International
- Jay Gallett, Chevron
- Jaime Crosby, Chevron
- Lindsay Longman, Phalanx Petroleum
- Jeffery Svendson, Advanced Logistics, LLC
- Rick Voth, Blueline Manufacturing, Inc.
- Derrick Daigle, Halliburton

AADE Lafayette's Debut

Want to Get Involved in AADE?

Nomination forms will be out soon, and we are actively looking for more people to get involved with the local AADE board and committees. Every local AADE effort from general meetings to the annual sporting clays fund-raising event happen thanks to the efforts of local volunteers. Come share your time and talents with us to forward the AADE mission of education!

Check out this AADE trivia dug up by longtime AADE participant Al Wambsgans to inspire you to volunteer to join our local board.

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Inaugural board meeting was Aug. 4, 1986
First general meeting (noted in article was Oct. 22, 1986)
Chapter incorporated on May 8, 1987

The Inaugural AADE Lafayette Board:

- Al Wambsgans, President, Drilling Manager for Tenneco, now Vice President of Operations for DC International in Lafayette
- Deborah Petty, First Vice President, Engineer with Arco, current whereabouts unknown
- Don Dischler, Second Vice President, Engineer with Kerr-McGee, now owner and President of Donlyn Energy, Houston
- Charles Kendrick, Secretary, Baroid Sales, now Vice President of Halliburton, GOM, Humble, Texas
- Benny Landry, Treasurer, MI-Swaco, still there and still in Lafayette

First Steering Committee was formed in May 1987, with the election of new officers, and comprised of:

- Al Wambsgans, Tenneco Oil
- Charles Truby, Marathon Oil
- Dick Young, Chevron
- Steve Hennigan, Flo-Trend
- Moss Bannerman, Marlin Drilling
- Del Leggett, MI Drilling

Thanks to these folks for getting it all started!

AADE National Technical Conference Winner

ULL undergraduate and graduate student recently attended the AADE National Conference. Graduate student Ezeakacha Peter Chinedu won first place in the Graduate Poster/Paper Contest. Peter, left, stands with Dr. Saeed Salehi, right. Great news for Peter and ULL!
Department of the Year

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette (ULL) Engineering Department has claimed the department of the year award based on a points earned system that considers several qualities an engineering department should have including volunteering (the second largest portion of the points) and competing in sporting events such as football, softball and soccer throughout the year. The majority of the points are earned during engineering and technology week when the different engineering departments compete in a mystery design challenge, quiz bowl, a poster contest and a paper contest. The big event happens midweek when every department shifts itself into an exhibition to display its attributes to more than 2,300 high school students that come from all over the country. The engineering department that earns the most points based on all of these activities wins the department of the year title. Congratulations, ULL! See photos of the ULL petroleum students and facility members; the senior students with Dr. Boukadi and Ms. Connie; and Dr. Boukadi holding the trophy.

Rig Field Trip Arranged for University Students

UL Petroleum Engineering Department 14th Annual Industry Appreciation Crawfish Boil to be April 18 at Girard Park

The UL Petroleum Engineering Department will host its 14th Annual Industry Appreciation Crawfish Boil from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 18 at Girard Park. Tickets are $25 per person and includes 5 pounds of crawfish with corn and potatoes, unlimited drinks (including beer) and a chance to win one of the many gift cards that will be given away at the event. There will be tents and tables set up for people to eat and a fun jump for kids to play on. It should be a great event so come join the fun!

Contact Gavin Parria at (504)-275-9658 or gxp7104@louisiana.edu or Connie Deville at (337)-257-4284 or cxd5555@louisiana.edu for tickets or to help sponsor this event.

Advertise in the AADE eNewsletter

The AADE Lafayette Chapter Board recently voted to discontinue the monthly newsletter in favor of an electronic only format of providing members information. Information on upcoming speakers and events will still come via email, as well as other information from AADE. The advertising options have changed to the following:

>>> Leaderboard 728px x 90px ($400)
>>> Skyscraper 160px x 600px ($300)
>>> Medium rectangle 300px x 250px ($200)
>>> Small rectangle (business card) 300px x 150px ($100)
>>> Logo button 150px x 150px ($100)

To advertise in the Lafayette Driller eNewsletter, please contact Kristy Bonner.

See Our Photo Galleries Online

See scenes from the March General Meeting and...
LSU and UL students recently were given the opportunity to take a field trip to a working rig. AADE Committee member Bruce Jordan helped spearhead this event to give university students an up-close and practical introduction to rig operations and equipment. Several groups of students toured the rig site with about 50 students for UL alone. See more scenes for the student tour. A special thanks to all those who coordinated this event to provide students with valuable first-hand experience.

Bruce Jordan, president of Stokes & Spiehler and managing member of Drilling Partners, LLC, was the guest speaker for the American Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE) Lafayette Chapter’s March General Meeting at the Petroleum Club of Lafayette. Jordan shared a history of turnkey drilling projects and noted several players in these efforts. Additionally, Jordan shared Stokes & Spiehler’s story and answered questions on how the company approaches bids and more. This was another informative and well-attended AADE event!. >> See more photos