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From the President

Quite a Year

This has been a challenging year for your society, as it has been for all of us. We will all remember pandemic times without fondness. It has been challenging for the Houston Geological Society, but we have continued with most of the same programs in modified ways. Many of these changes would have happened eventually, but were forced on us. It is easy in volunteer organizations to always do things the ways that have proven successful in the past, and delay changes, but we had few choices, and I think it was good for our future.

We discontinued in-person technical meetings over a year ago for prudent health reasons. There were adjustments for all of us, but fortunately we had been preparing for remote committee and Board meetings for a few years, so we had that experience to build on. For those not familiar with the remote format, we had chances to practice, attending Field Trip Fridays and the Continuing Education course in the summer. Last week we had our first in-person event, the Shrimp Peel and Crawfish Boil, and a great safe time was had by approximately 200 colleagues outdoors in cloudy and only rarely wet afternoon. Thanks to the committee and our sponsors, and a high bar is set for next year.

Also during last summer, the committee planning for the annual Africa Conference that HGS hosts biennially in alternation with the PESGB worked to design how a virtual technical conference could work. Travel was restricted and likely not to change by the autumn, so virtual was required, and a format of 2-3 hours each Thursday morning in October was decided, so that colleagues in Europe and Africa could attend at convenient times. This worked better than we hoped, and also allowed student posters presented by students in African universities, a first. Information on this September's PESGB-HGS Africa Conference is page 4 in this *Bulletin*.

We were able to host a full program of technical presentations in evenings and midday, including live questions and answers after each talk. Our office staff facilitated these meetings, and everything went smoothly. I hope you were able to catch a few of these, and if not, reviewed the recordings on our YouTube channel. We also had two Continuing Education seminars, in addition to the one during the summer.

We restarted the Employment Committee this past year. Initial activity centered on the semi-annual SPE-GCS midcareeer hiring event, which HGS has endorsed and participated in for several years, most recently with over thirty local sister organizations. I feel it is a professional obligation to assist colleagues to stay employed and as busy as they wish in their careers, and this is an excellent event for all of us. In the past year, the AAPG discontinued their operation of the Student Expo after almost two decades. Fortunately, several of the volunteers most involved in past Expos are HGS Members here in Houston, and we are planning on the next virtual edition of Expo in September. It is vital that we encourage our early-career colleagues coming out of their university training, and since many will work in Houston, it is natural that they know HGS and become Members at the start of their careers. Colleagues interested in either of these events are welcome as volunteers.

The past several years have been challenging for Society finances, but we should finish the year with close to a balanced budget. It is easy to add worthy programs and activities over the years, but periodically it is necessary to separate the necessary from the merely nice. Our overhead is very low for a society our size, but we continually search for economies that do not hamper necessary activities. I do not expect the periodic profit share from the AAPG Annual Meetings to return anytime soon, if ever.

Earlier this week, AAPG Members received notice that the Association is in discussions with the SPE on greater cooperation and possibly a merger, if it is determined that that makes sense for all involved. The HGS is an Affiliated Society of the AAPG, but that should not change HGS significantly in any new organization, since our direction is clearly geoscience. It will be interesting to see how it all evolves.

The Houston Geological Society was established in 1923, so as we approach our centennial and the exciting activities related to that, I think we have some great years coming up.

Volunteer for something this month. Be safe.



Ceri Davies editor@hgs.org

Assessing the Effect of Mineral Alteration on Palaeointensities Derived from Volcanic Rocks of Cretaceous Age

The appearance of superchrons within the palaeomagnetic record has aroused considerable interest amongst those seeking to understand the processes driving the geomagnetic field. Efforts to understand dynamo processes underlying superchrons require a fuller understanding of the magnitude of the Earth's magnetic field during these periods. This has drawn focus on the Cretaceous Normal Superchron, 83 – 121 Ma, a period of almost 40 million years when the Earth's magnetic field remained in a fixed, normal polarity aligned close to the Earth's rotation axis, as it is today.

Difficulties arise when using the magnetisation of rocks as a proxy for the ancient magnetic field; non ideal behaviour of a material combined with in situ and laboratory alteration and oxidation can result in unreliable estimates of both field strength and direction. This study primarily focuses on the effect of mineral alteration on rocks of Cretaceous age, the resulting changes in magnetic characteristics and their effects on palaeointensities.

For palaeointensity investigations, it is paramount the sample retains an original thermal magnetic remanence, a TRM, but it can be difficult to assess whether this is the case. By applying palaeointensity methods to Cretaceous basalt, whilst simultaneously carrying out rock magnetic and microscopy analysis, I assess the effect of mineral alteration on palaeointensities derived from volcanic rocks of Cretaceous age.

For anyone interested in the outcomes of this work or a discussion on the Earth's magnetic field – please feel to get in touch, it is a subject I hold close to my heart.

The Houston Geological Society is a great organization and I appreciate your company this year with the *Bulletin*. I wish Scott Sechrist the best with taking over as Editor and I'm sure he'll have many a story to share with us.

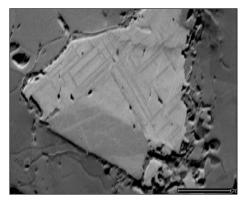
Keep well, see you soon, Ceri



Sampling Lower Cretaceous basalt Unit, Shandong Province, China.



Credit: Peter Reid, The University of Edinburgh.



SEM image of deuteric oxidation of titanomagnetite crystal resulting in ilmenite lamellae. Crystal size approx. 50 microns.



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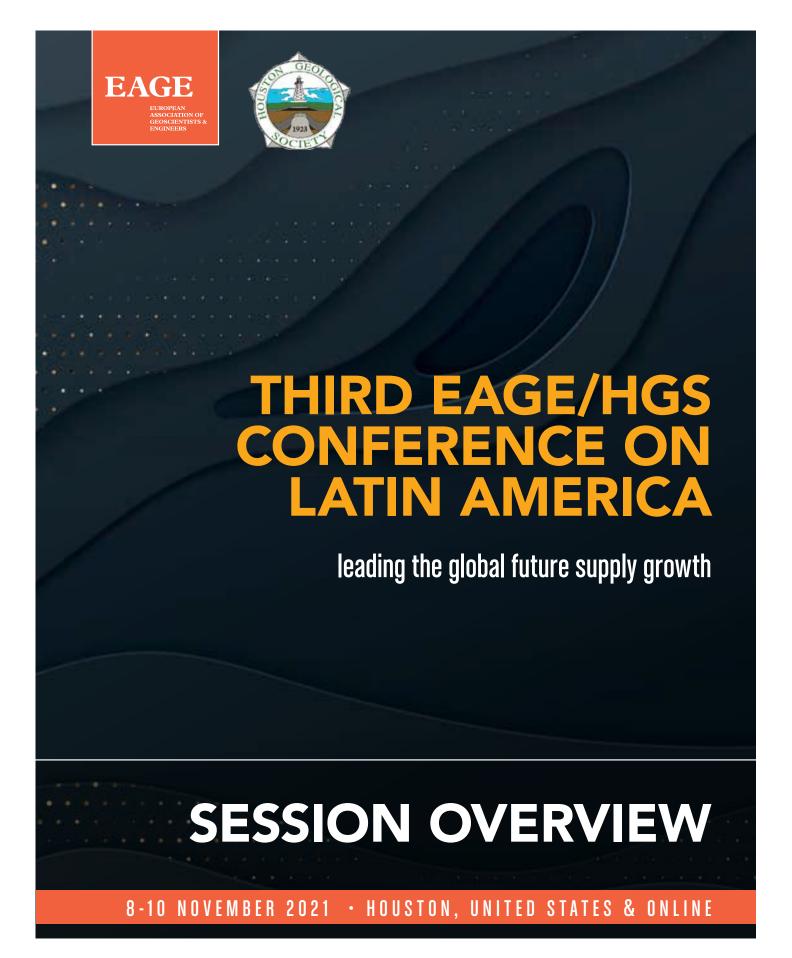


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Latin America – An Exploration Overview Chairs: Bob Fryklund (IHS) and Daniel Minisini (Shell)

The Atlantic conjugate margin agglutinate the activity of most offshore operators. Analyzing the geological and non-technical risks at continental scale allows ranking the opportunities within the entire conjugate margin, classifying reliable sites against marginal sites, based on criteria derived from the same group of explorers, and on knowledge transferred from databases geographically far apart. Method, data and mindset behind these analyses will be presented to debate among explorers.

Brazil and Guyana are leading the region and the world in new volumes of discovered hydrocarbons. Mexico is in pursuit, but the next several years of deep-water drilling will be critical. Colombia offshore too is in the proof of concept stage and upcoming wells will be critical in determining if there are enough resources for commerciality. In Argentina, the Vaca Muerta is ramping up.

- Still lots of basins remain under-explored.
- Where will the next discovery be?
- What role will future demand and the call for a reduced carbon footprint have?
- Will Venezuela rejoin the marketplace?

Frontier Areas; New Plays and Missed Opportunities

Chairs: Catie Donohue (GeoMark Research) and Mark Olson (Apache)

The Latin America and Caribbean regions contain about 20% of the global proven oil reserves but the excitement of the area lies in the significantly under explored offshore and unconventional opportunities. Recent exploration work

is challenging preconceived models of reservoir presence, source presence, and tectonic development to identify some compelling new petroleum concepts. From new reservoir provenance models in Mexico, updated crustal type models in the Caribbean and new details on the A-C-T source rock along the equatorial margin, these new ideas are driving frontier exploration and regenerating interest in the area.

Greater Caribbean; Non-Guyana and Suriname Chairs: Bryan Ott (Hess) and Sean Romito (University of Houston)

The Caribbean Region remains a challenging frontier area located between the prolific oil-rich basins of the Gulf of Mexico and northern South America. Despite a number of gas discoveries in recent years, bold explorers continue their search for the elusive oil field, and the region has seen numerous high-impact wildcats drilled in the recent years. This year BPC spud the Perseverance -1 wildcat targeting Jurassic to Cretaceous carbonates in a large fold on the Bahamas Bank. BHP and partners continue exploring in the deep water areas of Trinidad, where a number of gas discoveries have been made. Elsewhere in the Caribbean, Shell has farmed into offshore Colombia, and ongoing farmouts continue in Jamaica.

Greater Caribbean; Guyana and Suriname Chairs: Shawn Wright (Hess) and Ben Kirkland (CNOOC)

The Guyana-Suriname basin is often considered one of the last remaining under-explored but highly prospective basins in the world. With exception of the discovery of the onshore Tambaredjo and neighboring heavy oil fields in Suriname in the 1960s, a spotted exploration history

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dating back to the 1920's had been largely unsuccessful. Exploration interest was renewed when a 2002 report by the USGS estimated ~13.6 Bbbls of oil reserves were left undiscovered. Exploration efforts were soon rewarded with the economic discovery of high-quality oil-bearing Late Cretaceous turbidite sands at Liza-1 in the Stabroek block by an ExxonMobil-led partnership in 2015. Following the Liza discovery, additional operators have found success in the basin with discoveries at Jethro and Joe (Tullow-led), Maka, Sapakara, Kwaskwasi, and Keskesi (Apache-led) and Sloanea (Petronas-led). Since 2015, ~25 commercial discoveries have been made making the Guyana-Suriname basin the most exciting basin on the Atlantic margin. As exploration moves outside of the proven Upper Cretaceous stratigraphic trap play fairway in the SE Stabroek area, the level of technical understanding of the petroleum system is the key to predicting hydrocarbon fluid properties and discovering additional resources. In particular, source rock presence/maturity and reservoir presence/quality are areas of substantial interest. With several high-impact wells in the very near future targeting Paleocene to Jurassic plays, the players in this basin are continually acquiring new information and the future of the Guyana-Suriname basin is bright.

South Atlantic; Non-Brazil Chairs: Katy Sementelli (BHP) and Corey Moss (Murphy)

Industry activity has recently shifted south to the countries of Argentina and Uruguay with successful bid rounds held in each country in 2018 and 2019. Both countries saw an increase in interest in Frontier Offshore blocks with awards going to supermajor partnerships in Argentina (Shell, XOM, Total) and independents operators in both countries (BPC in Uruguay, for example). Recent seismic acquisition and reprocessing of data have expanded interest in new play ideas, such stratigraphic traps in deepwater reservoirs, and revisiting known plays in new areas (Malvinas Basin). Uruguay has revamped the bid-round process to include an open-round formula for flexible options in generating interest in both offshore and onshore acreage. Argentina has put the 2020 round on hold in light of economic investment concerns related to the COVID19 pandemic. However, activity in the region has not stalled with seismic acquisition associated with work commitments continued in 2020. Optimism in the Southern Atlantic was enhanced with a discovery in 2019 in the Outeniqua basin off South Africa by Total with the Brulpadda well. Further excitement continues with a well of interest; Total's Venus-1 wildcat targeting a major ultra-deepwater prospect in the Orange Basin offshore Namibia which may confirm the Cretaceous source potential in the South Atlantic. Frontier exploration continues in the Southern Atlantic areas.

South Atlantic; Brazil Chairs: Bill Dickson (DIGs) and Marcus Zinecker (BP)

Equatorial Margin - huge region, unclear potential

Vast region with potential for Upper Cretaceous & younger fan plays analogous to Jubilee (offshore Ghana) and Zaedyus (offshore French Giuana). Restrained by lack of infrastructure except Potiguar/Ceara (easternmost basins) where existing onshore and shallow water fields mature. Undeveloped deepwater discoveries at Pecem, Pitu, Tango.

Southeast Margin - giant and super-giant discoveries & production; unexplored potential

2021 excitement includes:

Sergipe: ExxonMobil well on an outboard ultra-deep-water block, perhaps testing two new play types (contourite sands, carbonate buildups on rift-age volcanic features) which could require sourcing from Aptian seaward dipping reflectors interbeds where younger A-C-T marine source is too shallow or absent.

Campos: probe ultra-deep-water targets with both post-salt A-C-T marine source pods; and usual syn-rift-sag lacustrine source. Post-salt targets include contourites in lows; pre-salt CO3 targets difficult to image and areally reduced by lack of regional top seal resulting from extensive salt movement. **Santos:** 3D mapping of present-day pre-salt structuration is excellent; reservoir facies inversions are good; but insufficient. Need better understanding of basin evolution at crustal level to improve models of thermal history, CO2 and volcanic pathways, source facies distributions.

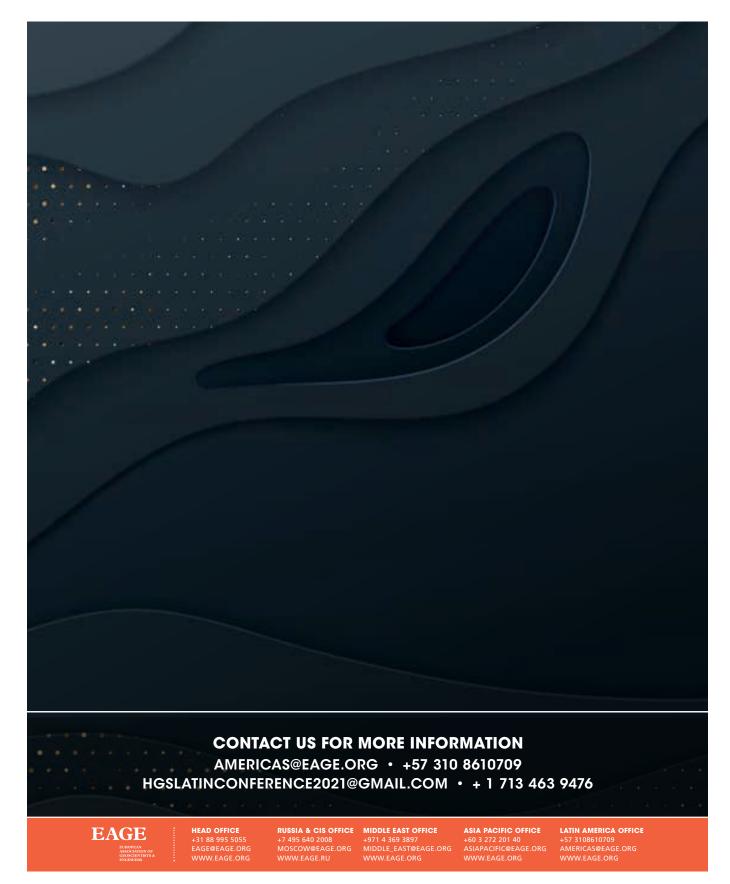
Pacific Margin; Onshore and Offshore Chairs: Lucia Torrado and Leo Liu (Chevron)

The Pacific Margin of Latin America has one of the largest concentrations of oil seeps in the world. With several mature Cretaceous to Cenozoic source rocks, reservoirs like turbidite sandstone, extensive seal rocks and multiple, combined trapping mechanisms, the Latin America's convergent margin is proving to be an attractive area ready to be explored. The increased availability of high-quality data and farm-ins from major O&G companies like Equinor in Nicaragua's Sandino basin, and Tullow Oil, BP and Oxy's in the Peruvian offshore are an encouraging indicator of the value and potential of this margin.

Mexico

Chairs: Stan Ingram (CNOOC) and Mike Durcanin (Murphy)

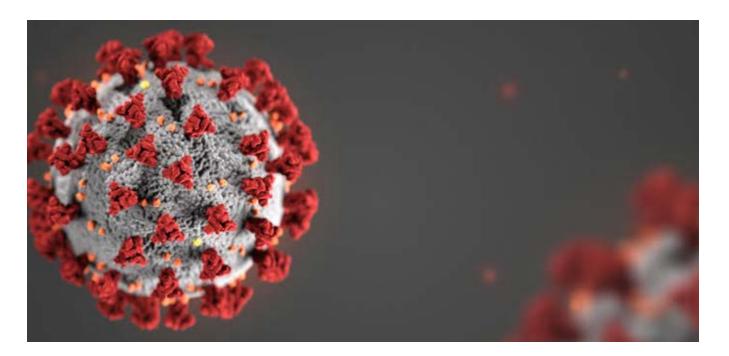
Mexico is a major petroleum producing country with numerous proven basins, including the both the Salina del Istmo and Sureste "Super Basin" with ~60 BBOE of recoverable reserves. These offshore basins are characterized by world-class mature source rocks with numerous reservoir – seal pairs proven in several different stratigraphic intervals similar to its northern counterpart. Unlike the US GoM however, initial exploration and development generally focused mainly on both shallowwater Cretaceous and Jurassic carbonates. As such, the deeper water clastic Neogene/Paleogene plays attracted little interest until now. Following the historic energy reform in 2013, five offshore license rounds were held between 2014 – 2018 with participation from 25 companies that bid over 50 exploration wells and numerous seismic acquisition programs across 55 licenses. With the exception of the giant Zama discovery (roughly 700+ mmbo recoverable) within the Upper Miocene play in the Sureste basin and minor successful step outs within this play (i.e. Cholula, Saskeen), exploration results thus far have been disappointing. Recently, the newest discovery, Polok-1, confirmed a commercially viable petroleum system in the Lower Miocene. To date, as over half of the initial commitment wells remain to be drilled. Mexico remains an exciting location for exploration activity in 2021 and beyond.



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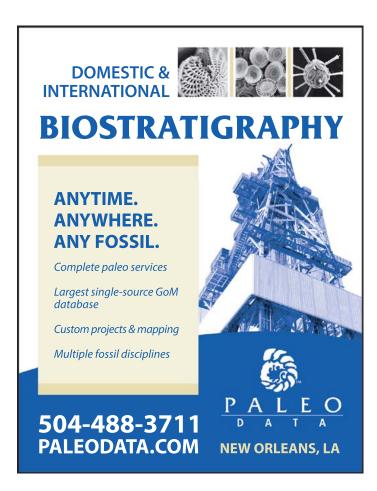
Slowly we are beginning to return to in person outdoor events, with the Shrimp Peel the first of these, but we continue to maintain a cautious approach to indoor social and educational gatherings. Please check the HGS website on a regular basis for all HGS online event opportunities.

The HGS Board will continue to monitor the situation and determine whether to extend the cancellation or postponement of HGS indoor in-person events.

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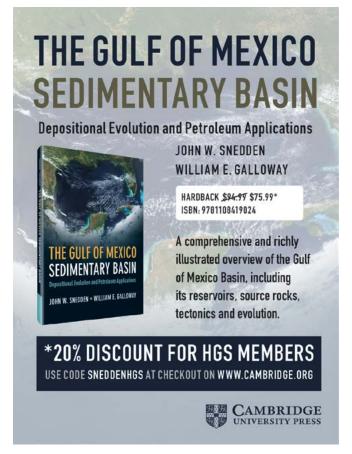
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Drone Technology in the Houston Area

Drone technology and the high resolution datasets it enables stand to revolutionize our understanding of the Earth's surface. This research is Houston specific, and studies how drones can be used to systematically collect photogrammic data to detect environmental changes, and how that data is valuable for flood planning purposes.

This data is the culmination of three years of research. Prior to this year, the focus has been learning to fly the drone, learning the image processing Pix4D and ArcMap 10.5, and creating a workflow for accurate image collection processing. This study has collected three separate datasets of the study area at Buffalo Bayou using a DJI Phantom 4 Pro drone. This data was then processed and modeled in Pix4D to create digital elevation models (DEMs). The DEMs were calibrated and analyzed in GIS, and compared to the publicly available 2018 LIDAR data. Our research catalogues high resolution change over time of our study area, and documents the process of how drones can be used to systematically observe change over time. This data presents three scenarios with corresponding case studies for how drone photogrammetry can be used to aid flood risk assessment.

Biographical Sketch



JESSICA SHELDON graduated in May from Rice University with a degree Environmental Science with an Earth Science concentration. As a Houston native, she is passionate about water management issues and flood mitigation. Her research with Dr. Kirsten Siebach works to gain a better understanding of change over time on Buffalo Bayou and how drones can

be used to monitor this change and aid in flood risk assesment. This summer, she is interning with WSP in Austin, TX as a Hydrogeologist and will begin a Master's of Environmental Management in August at Duke University.



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\$1,175,000 Settlement for geologist and family where oil company drilled too close to geologist property. Case filed 18 years after well drilled. Net to client \$664,822.51.
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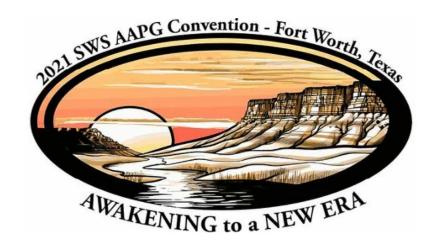
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Technical Program

Tuesday June 29th Morning Technical Presentations Special Session: STARR Studies of the Eastern Shelf and Fort Worth Basin

Richard Denne, TCU, Opening Remarks

Reese Parker, Ameridev, Key Note Address – Key Trends of the Roaring 20's

Lorena Moscardelli, UT-BEG, State of Texas Advanced Resource Recovery Program (STARR) and Its Role Supporting Knowledge Sharing and Creation in the Permian Basin, Eastern Shelf and Fort Worth Basin

Peter Flaig, UT-BEG, Examples of Depositional Systems of the Strawn Group in the Fort Worth Basin and Eastern Shelf of the Permian Basin

Robert Reed, UT-BEG, Variability of Quartz Types in the Upper Mississippian Barnett Shale, Fort Worth Basin, Wise County, Texas: Implications for Rock Brittleness

Andrew Roberts, UT-BEG, Controls on facies variability and distribution during the Pennsylvanian glacial period from the Lower Strawn Group, Fort Worth Basin, Texas

Osareni Ogiesoba, UT-BEG, Simultaneous Seismic Inversion Study of the Northern Part of the Eastern Shelf, King County, Central Texas

June 29th Afternoon Technical Presentations

Permian Basin Session

Ian Duncan, UT-BEG, Geology and reservoir properties of the Residual Oil Zone (ROZ) of the San Andres Seminole Unit, West Texas

Dennis Browning, Panther City Exploration, Hiding in Plain Sight: Devonian Production in the Block A-50 Field, Andrews County, Texas

Shuvajit Bhattacharya, UT-BEG, Building Geology-informed Deep Learning Models for better Predicting Elastic Properties of the Spraberry-Wolfcamp in the Midland Basin

Linda Sternbach, Guadalupe National Park/Delaware Basin Virtual Field Trip #1

Dwayne Purvis, Consultant, Insights to Log Analysis of the Southern Delaware Mountain Group

Jinyu Zhang, UT-BEG, Lithofacies segmentation in cores of Wilcox Group (Gulf of Mexico) and Spraberry Formation (Permian Basin) using U-net based convolutional neural networks

Wednesday June 30th Morning Technical Presentations Special Session: West Texas Permian Super Basin

Bill Fairhurst, Riverford Exploration, West Texas (Permian) Super Basin, USA: Super Basin concepts, introduction, resource exploration, and development history

Tom Ewing, Frontera Exploration Consultants, West Texas (Permian) Super Basin, USA: Tectonics and Depositional History

Andy Pepper, This is Petroleum Systems, West Texas (Permian) Super Basin, USA: source rocks and petroleum systems

Robert Lindsay, Lindsay Consulting, West Texas (Permian) Super Basin, USA: Leonardian-Guadalupian Traditional Reservoirs

Bill Fairhurst, Riverford Exploration, West Texas (Permian) Super Basin, USA: Unconventional Resources and Future Potential

June 30 Afternoon Technical Presentations Permian, East Texas, and Beyond Session

Junwen Peng, UT-BEG, Quartz types in the Upper Pennsylvanian organic-rich Cline Shale (Wolfcamp D), Midland Basin, Texas

Fritz Palacios, UT-BEG, An Updated Eastern Shelf-Midland Basin Stratigraphic Framework across the Southern Greater Permian Basin: Implications for the Distribution of Virgilian and Wolfcampian Reservoirs

Andrew Sneddon, MCWL Paladin, Advanced Wellsite Geochemistry for Light Hydrocarbon Analysis in Unconventional Resources

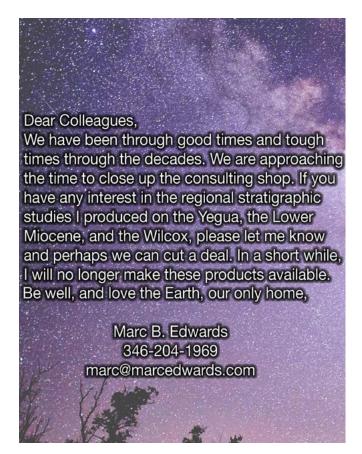
Kelly Hattori, UT-BEG, Facies and sequence stratigraphy of the Early Cretaceous Pettet Formation, Rusk County, East Texas

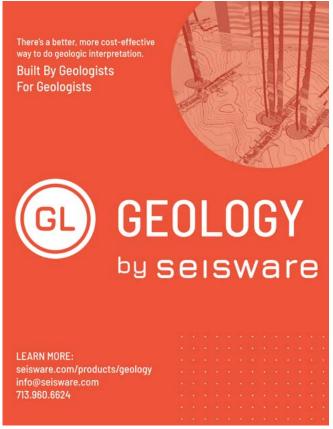
Linda Sternbach, Guadalupe National Park/Delaware Basin Virtual Field Trip #2

Heather Anderson, The Great Crew Change: Preparing for the Energy Transition & Petroleum Industry of the Future by Transferring and Preserving Institutional Knowledge

Tom Johnston, ShearFrac, Fracture Type Identification for Real-Time Pumping Parameters Optimization to Maximize Hydraulic Fracturing Surface Area for Production

Xuewei Ning, UT-Arlington, A new model for simulating imbibition process of wetting-phase fluid in matrix-fracture dual connectivity system







South Texas Geological Society Seminar & Field Trip OVERVIEW OF THE AUSTIN CHALK IN SOUTH TEXAS AND LOUISI

Depositional Setting, Diagenesis, Porosity Evolution, and Play Development

Seminar Lecturer: Jeffrey Dravis

The Upper Cretaceous Austin Chalk trend in south Texas and Louisiana continues its resurgence in interest. Areas like Karnes Trough in south Texas, and central Louisiana, remain the areas of interest right now, but many companies also are exploiting established field areas like Pearsall and Giddings, and expanding into East Texas. Geoscientists who explore in the Austin Chalk, or hope to exploit existing Chalk field trends, should possess a firm understanding of the Austin Chalk's regional depositional and diagenetic framework. This includes appreciating the influence of regional and local paleogeography, preexisting topography, and underlying structural framework. Developing an appreciation of the various diagenetic pathways that affected Austin Chalk porosity and permeability evolution is critical as well, since fractures are only a part of the story.

Field Trip Leaders: Tom Ewing, John Cooper, David Ferrill

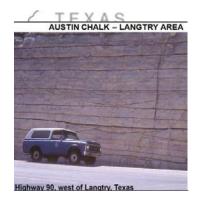
Tom Ewing will show and discuss depositional details of Austin Chalk Group outcrops in the San Antonio area pointing out their implications on hydrocarbons exploration. John Cooper will explore the stratigraphy of the Austin Chalk Group in Bexar County from lower to upper contact and integrate geophysical logs to make ties to the subsurface. David Ferrill will discuss faulting and fractures seen in fault zones exposed in the San Antonio area. David's discussion will focus on understanding typical normal fault patterns and using these patterns as an aid in predicting the fracture zone width when planning oil and gas exploration.

NOTE: The field trip will be moderately strenuous, especially in the event of rain

Friday, November 5th, 2021	
Coffee & pastries at Petroleum Club (7th Floor, 8620 N. New Braunfels, SATX)	8 AM
Buffet Lunch	Noon
Conclusion and <i>happy hour</i>	5 PM
Saturday, November 6th, 2021	
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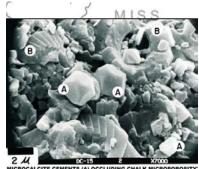
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I would like to thanks all my sponsors for the support, 11 Below Brewing Company for the beer, Bule Oxford Media for the signs and photos and Chris Cuellar for being our DJ once again.

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Sincerely, Andrea Peoples HGS Office Director



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FREDERIC AUGUST TIETZ 1931 – 2021



FREDERIC AUGUST TIETZ "crossed the bar" on May 5, 2021. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on March 24, 1931, the younger of two sons born to William J. Tietz, Sr. and Irma Neuman Tietz. Fred was raised in the bucolic surroundings of Hinsdale, IL where he attended Hinsdale High, graduated in the class of 1949. Fred matriculated at the University of Colorado, Boulder, receiving his BA and MS in geology.

After graduation, Fred joined Lion Oil Co. as a trainee geologist in Casper, WY. He followed the oil path through the Rocky Mountains with Lion Oil Co. and its successor, Monsanto Oil Company, ultimately becoming President. Following the sale of Monsanto

to BHP Petroleum, Fred and Janet moved to Melbourne, Australia and subsequently London, England before ultimately settling in Houston. His greatest professional thrills were exploration successes in the North Sea, offshore Western Australia, deep water Gulf of Mexico, and complex deep wells in Wyoming. He was an emeritus member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists and the Houston Geological Society.

In Boulder, Colorado, he met and married the light of his life, Janet Tyler Grove of South Orange, New Jersey. Fred and Janet visited all seven continents while pursuing worldwide oil and gas exploration opportunities. They remained avid travelers in Fred's retirement, a passion Fred imparted to his children and grandchildren. When not traveling the world with family, Fred spent his summers at Chautauqua in Boulder. Fred is predeceased by Janet and is survived by one daughter, two sons and eight grandchildren.

Summarized from Life Tributes, Houston Chronicle May 8, 2021.



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