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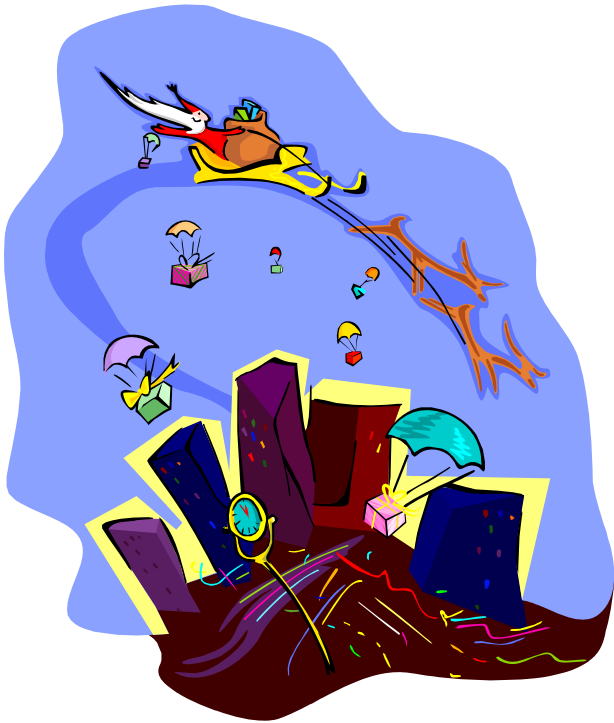
North Houston Association of Professional Landmen

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2009/2010 Meeting Schedule		
Dec. 10, 2009	Holiday Luncheon	Greenspoint Club
January 21, 2010	NHAPL/HAPL/WHAPL Joint Luncheon	Petroleum Club
February 4, 2010	Half-Day Seminar	Anadarko Petroleum
March 11, 2010	Monthly Luncheon	Greenspoint Club
April 8, 2010	Monthly Luncheon	Greenspoint Club



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NEXT MEETING

Date: December 10, 2009

Place: Greenspoint Club
"Oak Room"

Time: 11:30 AM
NHAPL Luncheon

Speaker: **Stephen K Carroll, Partner**
Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP

Topic: "Eminent Domain Legislation in the 2009 Texas Legislative Session"

CPL & RPL, CPLTA Credits: (1)

RSVP by Monday, November 30th, 2009
Online at www.nhapl.org

NHAPL Committee Chairpersons:

Luncheons & Speakers	Randy Helms
Half-Day Seminar	Glen Mauldin
Golf Tournament	Joe Edgar
Socials	Charles Duffy, III Caleb Fielder
NHAPL Astros Night	Justin F Foley
Texas Alliance of Landmen	Cynthia Hardin



Message from the President

The year is quickly winding down and has seen the return of oil, the downturn of natural gas, and alternative energy on the horizon. Landman licensing issues have been put on hold and the Texas local associations have formed an alliance to coordinate efforts to prevent future licensing and to stay abreast of current energy issues before the House Committee. For this purpose the formation of the Texas Alliance of Landmen Associations (TxALA) was created on November 12th in Austin, Texas. Recent issues before the House, kindly provided by the HAPL President, Carl Campbell, are as follows:

- 1. Survey current local ordinances governing surface use of property in oil and gas development. Recommend changes, if any, to the authority of the Railroad Commission to regulate the operation of oil and gas industries in urban areas of the state, particularly the Barnett Shale.*
- 2. Monitor the implementation of recent legislation dealing with carbon capture and storage and make recommendations as to whether further action is required to resolve outstanding issues. Examine proposed legislation from other states and review federal initiatives.*
- 3. Examine the state's portfolio of electric generation resources, including traditional sources, emerging renewable technologies, and energy efficiency. Determine whether the existing state regulatory programs and incentives are adequate to meet the energy needs of the future. Consider factors relating to reliability, requirements for additional transmission, or auxiliary services. Joint Interim Charge with House Committee on State Affairs*
- 4. Consider the establishment of uniform statutes and codes relating to liquid petroleum gas permitting and operations as a means to resolve conflicts of interpretation between state and local jurisdictions.*
- 5. Monitor the agencies and programs under the committee's jurisdiction.*

The NHAPL will provide information to you regarding potential issues as they become available.

As we wind down the year and turn our thoughts to the holidays ahead we take time to count our blessings and recognize with gratitude those who have contributed to our continued success this year. With gratitude the NHAPL would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous contribution to the success of this year's golf tournament: Southwestern Energy Company, Burleson and Cook, Petrohawk Energy, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation, Continental Land & Fur, TS Dudley Land Company, and Tri Energy Asset Management. We would also like to thank all those who have contributed to the success of the NHAPL by their service and you, the members, for your participation.

The NHAPL has planned a fun holiday December luncheon for you with featured speaker, Stephen Carroll, Partner, Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, speaking on Eminent Domain. Reserve your space online at www.nhapl.org and bring your holiday wishes as Santa may be present for good boys and girls.

We wish you a joyful holiday season!

Cynthia D Hardin, RPL