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Educational Seminar  
Sponsored by L.A.N.D.  
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We will be holding  
our 26th Annual  
L.A.N.D. Golf  
Tournament

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L.A.N.D. Golf  
Tournament will be  
held at the Bully  
Pulpit Golf Course  
in Medora, ND, on  
Monday, August 7, 2017.  
Sign-up information  
will be emailed to  
all members in a  
couple of weeks.

## Second Quarter L.A.N.D. Meeting & Social

L.A.N.D. will be holding its second  
quarterly meeting.

**Monday, May 1, 2017**  
**James River Café**  
**ND Heritage Center**  
**Bismarck, ND.**

The business meeting and election  
of officers is scheduled to begin at  
5:30 PM, with social to follow.

*The social is open to all  
L.A.N.D. members and friends,  
industry guests and personnel.*

### L.A.N.D.

*is proud to sponsor the  
meeting and social  
for the evening.*



## L.A.N.D. to elect new officers at upcoming May meeting

L.A.N.D. members will elect a  
new slate of officers at our  
May 1, 2017 LAND meeting.

Nominations so far are: Jason  
Mazigian, current Vice-  
President, will move up to  
President; Vice-President, Kate  
Black; Secretary, Ian Vestal;

Treasurer; Tom St. Peter; and  
AAPL Director, Mike Dewald.

June Weeks will move to a  
Director's position. Nominations  
will be taken from the floor the  
day of the meeting.

Please contact June Weeks for  
further information.



## President's Report

*June Weeks, RPL*

### *Farewell Greeting,*

Here it is election time already! It's truly amazing to reflect back on the last two years as President of LAND. It has been a whirlwind of attention-grabbing topics, from day one of serving as President. Beginning with the state eliminating the live mineral lease auctions, to oil prices plummeting creating a huge slowdown in land work, to the indistinct ownership of minerals under the lakebed, to SB 2340, the increase in recorders fees, just to name a few. Who would have foreseen so many things changing so quickly and yet hear we are striving to better our industry by supporting it as best we know how. Kudos to all of you!

I would like to thank those that have supported LAND, especially these last two years. Your relentless patronage is one of the reasons why LAND is still thriving and continues to successfully support the Landmen in a volatile industry. I would personally like to thank those that have supported me as I served my term as Vice-President and President of LAND. You truly are an inspiration to me and I will always be grateful for your wisdom and continued friendship.

As I pass the baton to our incoming President, I have no doubt that Jason Mazigian will do a spectacular job. I also look forward to supporting our incoming new officers. The nominations I have received so far are extremely capable and talented individuals.

Nominations for: Vice-President, Kate Black; Secretary, Ian Vestal; AAPL Director, Mike Dewald; and Tom St. Peter has agreed to run as Treasurer for another term. I only ask one thing of the membership... to continue the outstanding support you have shown so far and stay connected with one another. Ok that was two things, however I know you can handle it, since you have already shown how to persevere in the upswings or downswings of this industry! 😊

Please join us for our upcoming meeting at 5:30 p.m. on May 1, 2017, at the James River Café in the Heritage Center, on the State Capital grounds, in Bismarck, ND. LAND will also be sponsoring a training seminar at 1:30-5:00 pm the same day, at the ND Heritage Center (see the details for the training on page 4).

In closing I would like to reiterate...LAND will be in good and capable hands with the newly elected officers. I want to personally congratulate them and wish them all well. LAND is most fortunate to have such dedicated leaders, and I know they will do a splendid job.

Thanks again for the privilege; it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve as your President. I look forward to continuing my service as a Director and Publication Chair/Editor of LAND.

My sincere gratitude and appreciations to my fellow LAND members and associates!

Sincerely,  
*June Weeks*



## North Dakota Petroleum Council Report

*Ron Ness, President of the North Dakota Petroleum Council*

### Lakebed Minerals

**SB 2134** the lakebed minerals bill, passed out of conference committee and through both the House and Senate. The final version is what the House passed out earlier, but without the legal fee reimbursement section. The bill will now go to Governor Burgum for his

signature. The final version of the bill is here:

<http://legis.nd.gov/assembly/65-2017/documents/17-0159-10000.pdf>

**HB 1199** the other lakebed minerals bill, was killed.

### Recorder Bill

**SB 2340** the recorder fee bill, is now law. A final version of the bill can be viewed at:

<http://legis.nd.gov/assembly/65-2017/documents/17-0849-08000.pdf>

**Mark your calendar** – The 2017 schedule of events has been released. Please add the following NDPC events to your calendar:

- May 25: ND Oil PAC Sporting Clays Event – Capitol City Sporting Clays, Bismarck, ND
- June 8: ND Oil PAC Bismarck Larks Baseball Event – Bismarck, ND **\*NEW\***
- June 13: Denver Social – Brown Palace, Denver, CO
- June 19-22: NDPC Teacher Seminar – Bismarck State College, Bismarck, ND
- July 18: Bakken Rocks CookFest – Westhope, ND
- July 19: Oil Can! Fishing Tournament – Four Bears Marina, New Town, ND
- July 20: Bakken Rocks CookFest – Medora, ND
- July 24: ND Oil PAC Bismarck Larks Baseball Event – Bismarck, ND **\*NEW\***
- August 23: ND Oil PAC Golf Tournament – Bully Pulpit, Medora, ND
- September 26-28: NDPC Annual Meeting – Alerus Center, Grand Forks, ND

More information will be available on each event as the date approaches at [www.ndoil.org](http://www.ndoil.org) and [www.northdakotaoilcan.com](http://www.northdakotaoilcan.com).

## L.A.N.D. Sponsors FREE Education Seminar

WHEN: Mon, May 1, 2017

TIME: 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM CDT

LOCATION: North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum  
612 East Boulevard Ave. Bismarck, ND 58501

- 1:30 pm Opening and Welcome
- 1:35 pm AAPL Ambassador Toolkit, the Moral Case for Fossil Fuels and Other Essential Tools for Becoming an Energy Champion. *Kate Black, VP - Inland Oil & Gas*
- 2:00 pm Current Status of Claims to Lakebed Mineral Rights. *Craig Smith, Partner - Crowley Fleck PLLP*
- 2:45 pm Break - Refreshments
- 3:00 pm Bakken Well Engineering Basics. *John Merkel, PE - Nine Point Energy*
- 4:00 pm Title Due Diligence Panel. *Ken Hedge, Partner - Crowley Fleck, PLLP; Shane Hanson, Partner - Crowley Fleck, PLLP; Derick Roller - Petro-Hunt, LLC*
- 5:00 pm Break & Adjournment

Please join us for the Quarterly LAND meeting following the education event at the James River Cafe in the ND Heritage Center.

*3.5 AAPL CE Credits and 2 SBAND CLE Credits are currently pending.*

To register and receive your FREE Education Seminar Tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/land-education-seminar-tickets-33434075219>

OR contact Kate Black for more information:

[kate@inlandoil.net](mailto:kate@inlandoil.net), 701.255.1416

## Give us your ideas for training

L.A.N.D. would like to hear from you for ideas for training seminar. If you need credits for your AAPL certification, or if you are interest in learning about a specific topic, please email your ideas:

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- OR -

**Kim Backman**

[kbackman@crowleyfleck.com](mailto:kbackman@crowleyfleck.com)

## ND State Lease Sale

The list for the ND Department of Trust Lands' oil and gas lease offering has been posted to its website:

<https://land.nd.gov/minerals/oilandgasleasing.aspx>

The auction is scheduled

to be held online at:

[www.energynet.com](http://www.energynet.com)

April 25, 2017, at 8:00 AM CDT

concluding May 2, 2017



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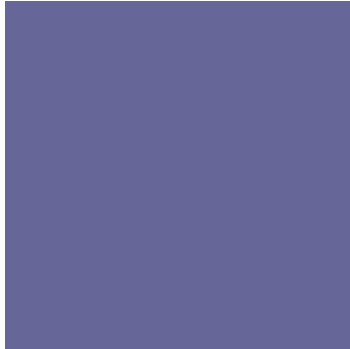
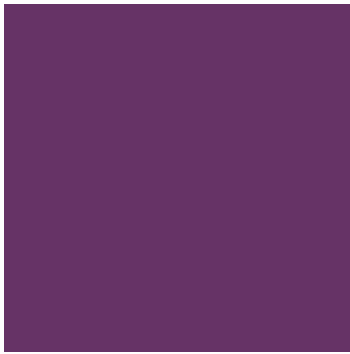


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# Calendar

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## WELCOME New 2016 LAND Members

- Hanson, Caroline
- Love, Jonathan B.
- McGhee, Andrew D.
- Sand, Benjamin J.
- Selinger, Jordan L.
- Watterud, Tony W.
- Weis, Twila E.
- White, Alan B.

## DONALD B. SASS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

*Our 2017 Sass Scholarship recipient is Emily Ramage, from Watford City, ND!*

Emily Ramage is a Watford City native who is attending UND Law School. Upon graduation she hopes to move back home and provide legal services for her community, particularly Oil & Gas Law. Emily is involved with the Energy Law Association, Criminal Law Association, Law Women’s Caucus, Student Trial Lawyers Association, American Constitution Society and the Student Bar Association. She was also chosen as our 2016 Sass Scholarship recipient. This year’s

Scholarship winner will receive \$975.  
*Congratulations Emily!*

This scholarship is open to anyone pursuing an energy-related degree at an accredited institution and who is a graduate of a North Dakota High School and is awarded in second quarter of each year.

If you would like to donate to the SASS Scholarship, please send your contributions to:

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