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## L.A.N.D.

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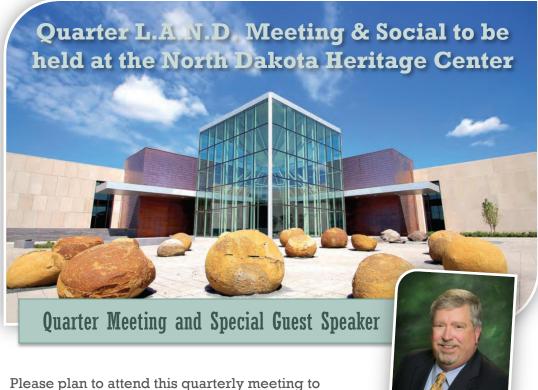
for sponsoring and hosting our LAND meeting and social for the evening.

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

Monday, May 2, 2016 Heritage Center Bismarck, ND.

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

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



Marc Strahn AAPL President

Please plan to attend this quarterly meeting to meet and hear our guest speaker, Marc Strahn, the President of AAPL. We are excited to have Marc and his wife Kathi come and join us for this quarterly meeting. Marc plans to give us a general overview of current activity, recent motions, ideas and things to do in a downward trending market and several other items of interest.

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# President's Report

June Weeks, RPL

### Greetings Land Members,

Here we are in the second quarter of 2016 and the oil and gas industry atmosphere has not changed much in the past months. After speaking with several landmen, brokers and many others in the energy field, the consensus is that it's quite slow out there. Several have found other jobs, are looking for jobs, or are just trying to hold on and stay busy with whatever work is available. I encourage those that are continuing to pursue a career in the land business, stay connected to your fellow landman and associations, like L.A.N.D. and AAPL.

Our upcoming L.A.N.D. meeting will be held at the Heritage Center on the ND Capital grounds in Bismarck, ND on Monday, May 2, 2016.

The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m.

I am very excited to announce that Marc Strahn, the president of AAPL will be our guest speaker for the evening. Marc will share information on current activity, recent motions, things to do in a downward trending market, recent votes, ext. Kathi, Marc's wife will also be joining us.

The North Dakota State Land
Department will NOT be holding a
live state lease auction this quarter.
Go to www.land.nd.gov for more
details.

L.A.N.D. is researching ways to stay connected and informed of what's happening in our industry. We would entertain any ideas for our future quarterly meetings. Ideas consist of continuing education, moving the meetings around the state, or any host of ideas. Please share your thoughts. You can email me at any time:

june@verityresources.com. We received a couple of ideas, but would like to hear from more of you.

Thank you for for supporting L.A.N.D by your membership. For those of you who are not yet members of A.A.P.L., I encourage you to join, go to: www.landman.org.

I look forward to seeing ALL of you at our May meeting in Bismarck.

Sincerely,

June Wooks

# DONALD B. SASS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Our 2016 Sass Scholarship recipient is Emily Ramage, from Watford City, ND!

Emily is finishing up her undergrad this spring and will begin working towards her law degree this fall at UND. She has an interest in Oil & Gas Law and plans to return to western North Dakota upon graduation. In her free time, Emily enjoys figure skating, cultural events, photography and fitness in addition to the extensive volunteering resume she's accumulated. This year's Scholarship winner will receive \$980. 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:

Tom St. Peter, L.A.N.D. Treasurer P.O. Box 2703 Bismarck, ND 58502-2703

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# **AAPL Director's Report**

Rick Frazier. AAPL Director

We have the distinct pleasure of welcoming one of my long-time friends to speak at our upcoming quarterly meeting. AAPL's President Marc Strahn will be joining us and, to our additional good fortune, will be accompanied by his lovely wife Kathi. Here is my personal story about Marc and Kathi, both of whom I deeply respect, professionally and personally, and consider it my privilege to call "friends":

Marc began his career as a book pullin' landman here in North Dakota during the late 70's to early 80's, mas o menos, along with Kathi Hanson, his soon-to-be bride. Marc and Kathi moved to Wyoming where they opened and continue to operate an oil and gas brokerage and consulting company that is, and has been, what I consider to be the symbol and shining example of what a "brokerage" should be. He is an innovative, open-minded thinker with a sense of business savvy and wisdom that I genuinely respect. His vision/leadership has brought a new multi-dimension to AAPL that will have long-lasting benefits. My congratulations to both Marc and Kathi for their dedication and tremendous contribution to AAPL. and our most heart-felt welcome back to North Dakota.

The following is AAPL's official bio for Marc Strahn:

Marc Randal Strahn, CPL, is president of The Wolf Haven Corp. and High

Story Ventures Inc., oil and gas acquisition and divestiture companies specializing in mineral and production properties in the Rocky Mountain Region. He also serves as executive counsel to Hoover & Stacy Inc. of Cheyenne, Wyo., a Rocky Mountain land brokerage firm. He has 34 years of field landman and management experience. Strahn first discovered what a landman was while working for American Land Title Co. in Bozeman, Mont., in 1976. Formerly an independent landman and one of the owners of Hanson & Strahn Inc. of Cheyenne, he retired from the land brokerage business on May 31, 2007. Strahn attended Montana State University. In 2001 the governor of Wyoming appointed him to the Wyoming State Energy Commission where he finished his term as its chairman. In 2002 he was appointed to the Wyoming Natural Gas Pipeline Authority where he finished his term as vice-chairman. Strahn served three two-vear terms as the Wvoming director to the AAPL and over the

years has served on many national committees for AAPL. For the 2009-10 term of office, he was elected to serve as secretary to the AAPL Executive Committee. Strahn is a member and speaker for the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation and has held all offices in the Wyoming Association of Professional Landmen, including president. In 2013, he was appointed to the University of Wyoming School of Energy Resources External Advisory Committee for its new Professional Land Management Program. A former Eagle Scout and scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America, Strahn also enjoys world travel and anything that involves a shotgun. He hopes one day to learn the frustrating game of golf. He lives in Story, Wyo., with wife and lifelong partner Kathi Hanson, CPL.

We look forward to seeing you in Mav!

Rick Frazier



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# North Dakota Petroleum Council Report

Ron Ness, President of the North Dakota Petroleum Council

Williston Basin Petroleum Conference – The 2016
Williston Basin Petroleum Conference will be held May
24-26, 2016 in Bismarck, ND. General registration for
booths, sponsorships and attendees is open and
limited booth space is still available! In consideration
of current economic conditions, exhibitor (booth space)
and registration costs have been reduced from the 2014
price. Hotel reservations can be made immediately here.
For more information regarding the conference, please
visit www.wbpcnd.org or contact us at 701.223.6380 and
ndpc@ndoil.org. See you in May!

Agencies plan clean-up week on North Dakota's US 85 this April – In order to keep North Dakota beautiful, the Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Association (TRE) is partnering with a number of agencies across the state to conduct a clean-up of the US 85 in western North Dakota. The agencies plan to hold a US 85 Clean-up Week from April 25 through April 30. This event is an effort to pick up trash along the corridor and to promote a litter free roadway. In order to get this project done, many volunteers will be needed, and DOT is hoping members of the oil and gas industry will be able to participate.

Other agencies involved in the beautification project include the North Dakota Department of Transportation, North Dakota Petroleum Council, North Dakota League of Cities, the City of Williston North Dakota Association of General Contractors, Vision West, North Dakota Association of Oil and Gas Producing Counties, the City of Bowman, Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation and North Dakota Tourism Department.

The North Dakota Department of Transportation will help provide safety vests and trash bags. Those interested in

volunteering for clean-up week should contact Cal Klewin, TRE Executive Director, at 701-577-8110. More information about the clean-up can be found at https://www.dot.nd.gov/. Should your organization decide to participate, it can be done as part of our Pick Up the Patch program. Please contact Alexis at abrinkman@ndoil.org or 701.223.6380 with any questions.

Mark your calendar – The 2016 schedule of events has been released. Please add the following NDPC event to your calendar:

- May 19 ND Oil PAC Sporting Clay Shoot, Bismarck (registration opens at www.ndoil.org in mid-April)
- <u>May 24-26</u> Williston Basin Petroleum Conference (registration opens at www.wbpcnd.com on January 26)
- June 23 ND Oil PAC Minot Golf Tournament, Vardon Golf Club, Minot
- <u>July 19</u> Bakken Rocks CookFest, Mandaree
- <u>July 20</u> Oil Can! Fishing Tournament, New Town (registration opens in early June)
- <u>July 21</u> Bakken Rocks CookFest, Stanley
- <u>August 24-25</u> ND Oil PAC Medora Golf Tournament, Bully Pulpit, Medora (expanded to a two-day event for 2016, registration opens at www.ndoil.org in late July)
- <u>September 19-21</u> Annual Meeting, Holiday Inn Riverside, Minot

More information will be available on each event as the date approaches at www.ndoil.org and www.northdakotaoilcan.com.



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# Calendar

May 2	2nd Quarter L.A.N.D. Meeting & Social
	5:30 p.m. – Heritage Center, State Capital Grounds
	Bismarck, ND

May 19	ND Oil PAC Sporting Clay Shoot
	Rismarck, ND

May 24-26 Williston Basin Petroleum Conference

Bismarck Event Center, Bismarck, ND

June 23 ND Oil PAC Minot Golf Tournament

Vardon Golf Club, Minot, ND

July 19 Bakken Rocks CookFest

Mandaree, ND

July 20 Oil Can! Fishing Tournament

New Town, ND

July 21 Bakken Rocks CookFest

Stanley, ND

## WELCOME New 2016 **LAND Members**

There are no new members since first quarter of 2016.

# ND STATE LEASE SALE

The ND DEPARTMENT OF TRUST LANDS will not be holding a live auction this quarter. For auction information please visit the ND Department of Trust Lands website at www.land.nd.gov

## **AAPL FUTURE TRAINING & EDUCATION PLANS**

Budgets have been challenging this past year and AAPL is meeting the challenge along with many others. AAPL's budgets have been cut and starting the 1st of July, there will be far less live AAPL seminars held around the country. The Education Committee is meeting this week to plan the training calendar. They have informed us the formal letter has not been released yet, however we have been told that the committee is planning for all of their live seminars, that they are able to put on, will be available by webcast. This will be a good way for Landmen all over the country to have access to the core seminars

and gain educational credits without having to travel.

AAPL has been trying to keep the online calendar updated the best they can, but it has been changing often based on speaker availability and shuffling seminars around due to costs. So if you are planning to go to one of the seminars please check the calendar or contact AAPL to make sure it's still being held.

PLEASE NOTE: Our AAPL Due Diligences Seminar that was going to be held in Bismarck on July 8, 2016, has been canceled.

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