

### **A**merica's Landmen

## **AAPL Mission Statement**

AAPL's Mission is to promote the highest standards of performance for all land professionals, to advance their stature, and encourage sound and ethical stewardship of energy and mineral resources.

## Things We Are Going to Discuss Today:

- 1. History of AAPL
- 2. Recent Structural Changes of the Association
- 3. Membership and Education Fast Facts
- 4. Major Motions from Recent Meetings
- 5. Plans for the Future of AAPL / NAPE
- 6. Tips on How to Survive in this Market
- 7. Final Thoughts

## **AAPL History**

## **AAPL Established in 1955**

Prior to becoming our own Association, we were part of the National Oil Scouts in 1940. Due to the large number of Landmen in the association, the National Oil Scouts changed their name to "National Oil Scouts and Landman's Association".

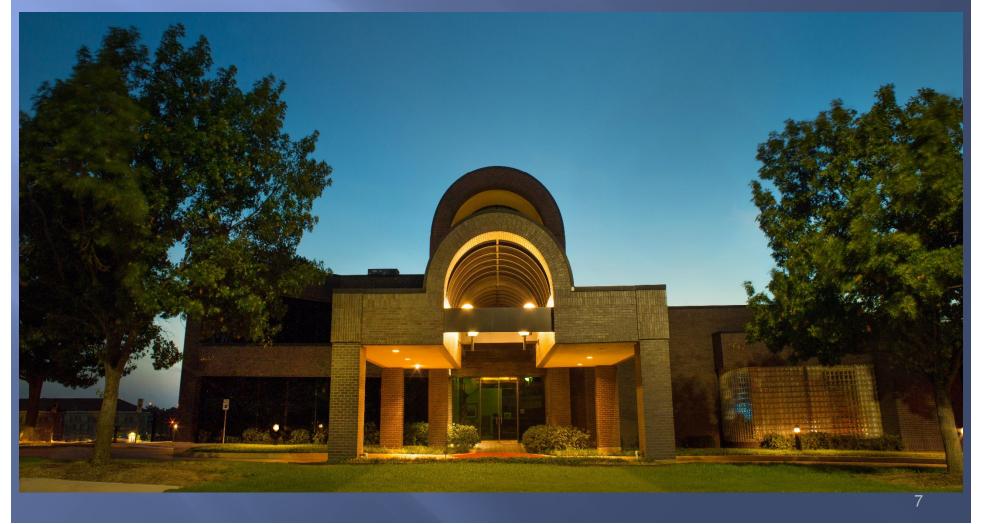
#### Established 1955

- By and for company Landmen 1955
- At the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting in 1957 Canada was included as a member of the AAPL
- Admitted field Landmen in 1964
- Not for profit entity

# Structural Changes of the Association

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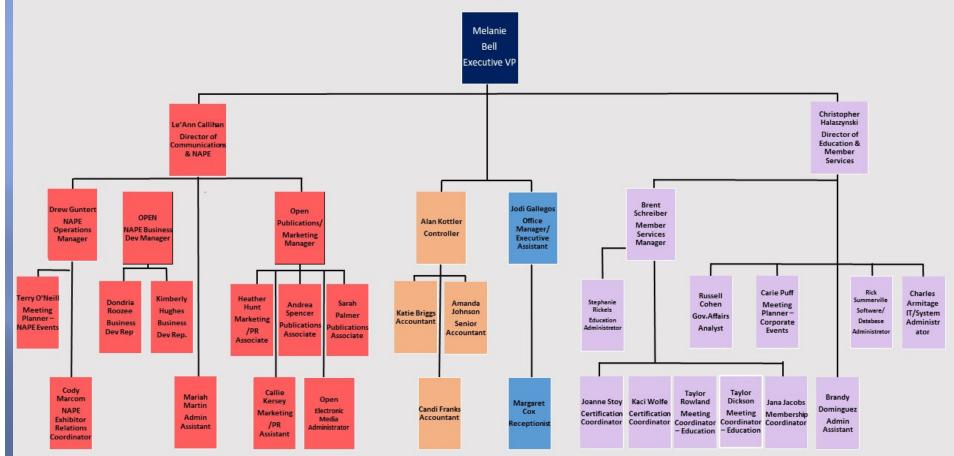
Took out a line of credit of \$5 million

AAPL Invested \$3.95 million in the new headquarters

AAPL is 100% debt free

## **AAPL Org Chart**

#### AAPL/NAPE Organization Chart



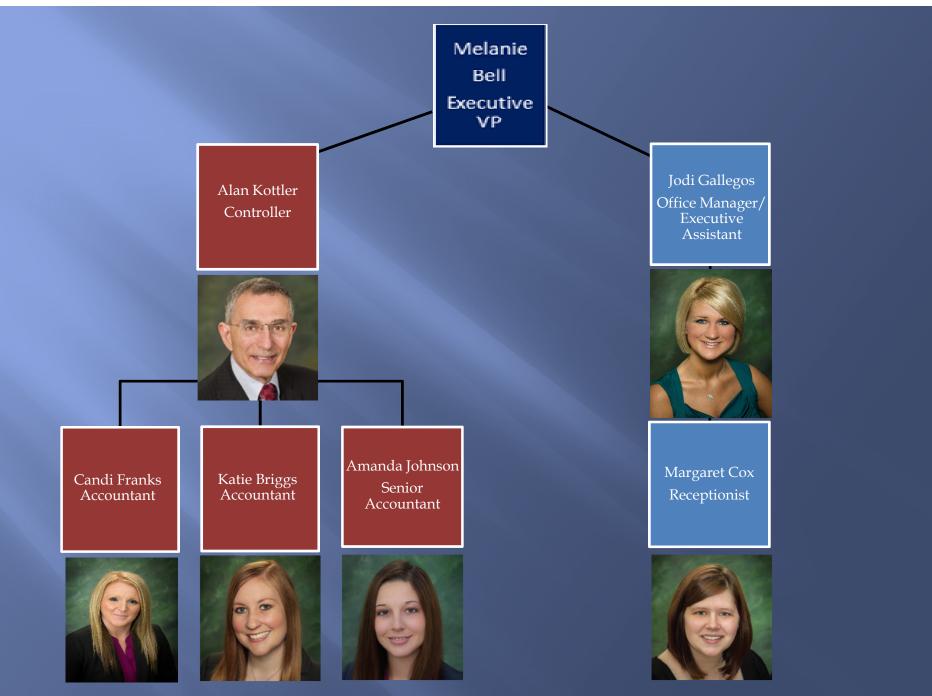
## Melanie Bonner Bell, CPL

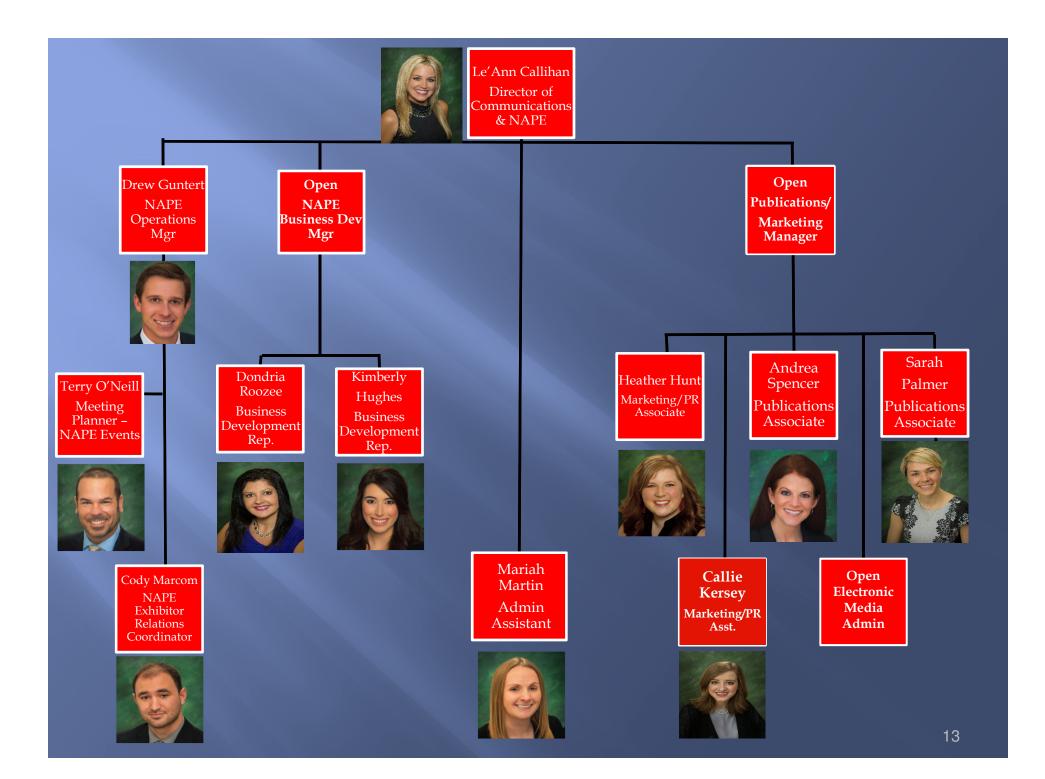
- 32 year veteran in the land industry
- Previously the Director of U.S. Onshore Land for BP America Production Company
- Previously oversaw all land activities for the firm, maintaining and developing stakeholder relationships and managing more than 150 land staff and contractors
- Prior to BP, practiced law as an oil and gas attorney
- Served on AAPL Ethics Committee and served as a director for Houston Association of Professional Landmen

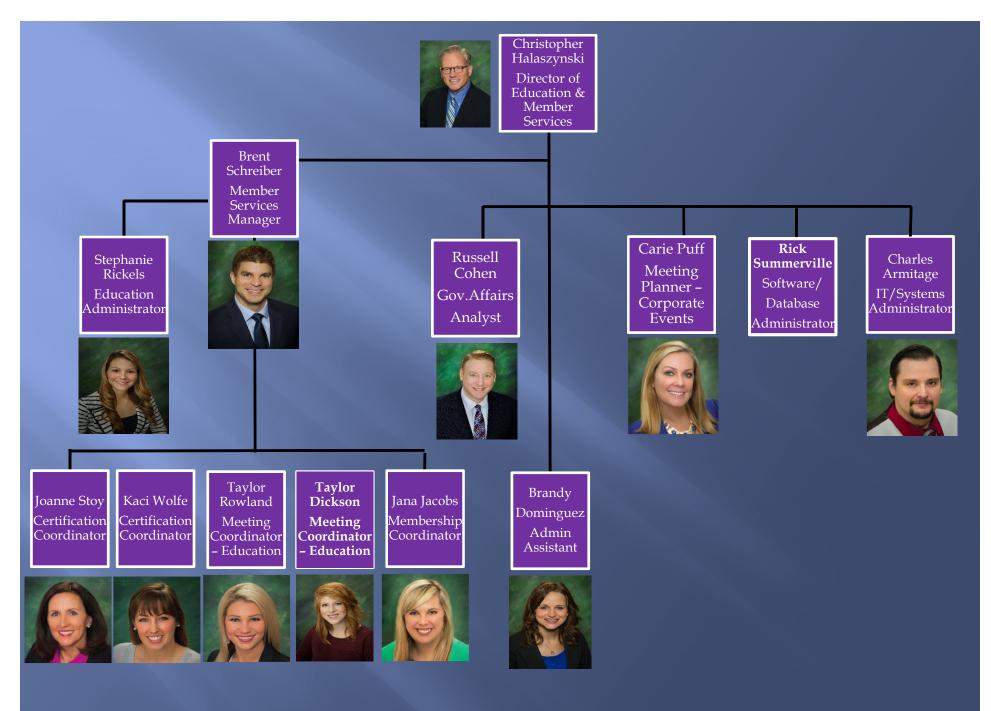


Christopher Halaszynski Director of Education & Member Services









## Publishing

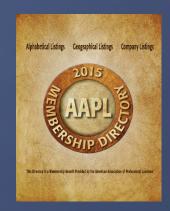
#### Landman Magazine



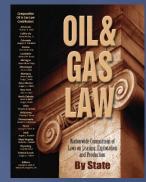
#### Landman2 Magazine



#### Landman's Directory



Oil and Gas Law Comparison (By State & Topic)



## Membership & Education Fast Facts

## Membership

#### 2/1/2016

Membership = 17,982

<u>2/22/2016</u> Membership = 18,276

#### 3/28/2016

Membership=18,525

Active: 15,595 Associate: 2,223 Senior: 173 Student: 534 CPL's: 2,872 CPL/ESA: 55 RPL's: 2,253 RL's: 692

*37.65% of Active Members hold an advanced designation* Gain of 543 members in 57 days

**Renewal period: July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016** 

### Education

#### **Regional Institutes**

- Southwest Land Fort Worth, Texas (April 2016)
- Santa Fe Land Santa Fe, New Mexico (Sept 2016)
- Texas Land Houston, Texas (Sept 2016)
- Appalachian Land Morgantown, West Virginia (Oct 2016)
- Gulf Coast Land New Orleans, Louisiana (Oct 2016)

#### New 2016 Seminar Offerings

- Ethics 360 Program
- Negotiations
- Pooling
- Marketable Title
- Due Diligence
- Basics of GIS
- 2015 610 JOA
- Surface Use Access/ROW
- Oil and Gas Lease & Provisions

## Major Motions From Recent Meetings

### **Motions from Previous Meetings**

- Creation of AAPL Standing Committee on Accreditation (12-14)
  - University of Texas Energy Management Program (6-15)
  - Marietta College of Ohio (3-16)
- Changes in CPS Certification process (12-15)
- 2015 ~ 610 Model Form JOA (9-15) (12-15)
- Approved Video Library includes over 100 courses for over 1,000 credits offered at \$10.00 per CEU for members (3-16)
- Financial Assistance for AAPL Directors (3-16)

## Fundamental Changes 2015~610 Model Form JOA

- 4 Year Task Force 8 Lawyers/Landmen
  - One served on 1989 Task Force
- Reviewed court cases and identified additional issues
- Started with 610-1989 Horizontal Form
- Revised and created new definitions

## Fundamental Changes 2015~610 Model Form JOA

- Clarified failures of title and potential loss provisions
- Major rewrite of Article V provisions-clarifies liability and operator resignation
- Major clarification language for Article VI
- Incorporates many standard Miscellaneous Provisions of 1982 and 1989 Forms

## 2015 -2016 610 Model Form JOA Rollout Plan

- November 5, 2015 High level industry roll-out
- AAPL produced JOA vs. Forms On a Disk (May 1, 2016 delivery)
- Produce committee notes on why certain provisions were written the way they were
- Developing new AAPL 2015-610 Model Form JOA Courses in 2016
- 2015-610 Model Form JOA courses will be offered at Annual Meeting in Orlando, FL in June 2016
- Developing with Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation for a two day joint special institute. (Tentative Houston November 3 & 4, 2016)

#### **Major Certification Changes**

#### Determining Ownership:

March 2015 AAPL BOD voted to: ".....Amend the requirements for certification to add Landmen who determine ownership in minerals through the research of public and private records (Landwork-Letter C) to be qualified for consideration as a RPL or CPL...."

#### Surface Functions:

September 2015 AAPL BOD voted to include the following into the Certification and Membership Policy Manual: "Functions performed by landmen relating to surface uses that are directly applicable to the exploration for and/or development of minerals, up to and including either: 1) the first point of sales; or 2) the inlet to a processing plant, whichever is farthest from the wellhead, but not beyond, shall be included under the Bylaws definition of Landwork as referenced in Article 2, Section 1, Letters B and E."

#### **Retired CPL**

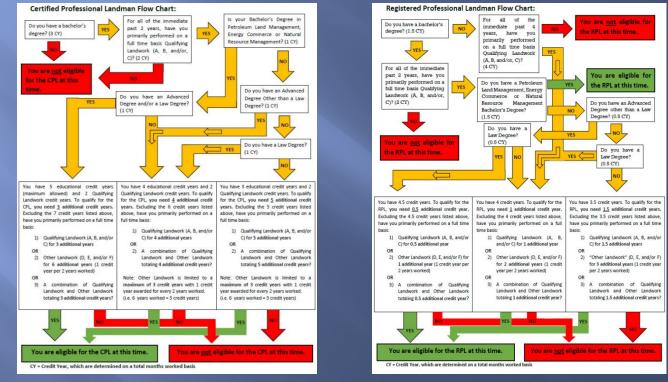
#### Requirements:

- CPL in good standing
- At least 55 years of age
- 2 prior recertifications
- Retired from landwork prior to application
- Prohibited from practicing Landwork for third-party compensation

#### Benefits:

- No longer required to recertify every five (5) years
- Yearly membership dues reduced one half the current yearly cost
- May reinstate Experienced CPL status
  - upon request written request to the Certification Committee
  - passage of the current CPL exam pursuant to Article VIII.
  - by completing the CPL review class
    - The date of reinstatement shall be considered the start of a new recertification period
- Enjoy all the privileges of an Active Member
  - Serve on a Committee as a member or its Chair
  - Does exclude ExCom and Board of Director position
  - Cannot sponsor RL, RPL, or CPL applicants

#### RPL/CPL Eligibility Flowcharts



Eligibility Flowcharts can be found on AAPL's website on the Certification main page as well as inside the current downloadable application itself.

# Plans for the Future of AAPL / NAPE

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- Pay off new building debt (Approved 3-16)
- Continue internal reorganization of AAPL
- Develop programs for growth and retention
- Create new AAPL technologies
- Create advanced educational opportunities
- AAPL has taken over sponsorship of Paul Nielsen's LandNews



#### **Upcoming NAPE Events**

Summer NAPE ~ August 10-11, 2016 George R. Brown Convention Center ~ Houston, TX NAPE Denver ~ October 12-13, 2016 Colorado Convention Center Summit ~ February 15-17, 2017 George R. Brown Convention Center ~ Houston, TX

## NAPE Re-Cap

#### Summer NAPE 2015

- Forecasted 4,000 attendees and registered 4,400
- 291 Exhibitors
- \$396,700.00 sponsorship revenue
- Prospect Preview Theater hosted standing-room only crowd
- Cut expenses 21.7%
- Net income of over \$1 million

 Sponsorship dollars <u>already secured</u> for 2016 Summer NAPE total \$316,025

## **NAPE Re-Cap**

#### NAPE Denver 2015

- Forecasted 1,500 attendees and registered 1,606 (including 330 walkups/onsite registrants)
- 126 Exhibitors
- \$93,275.00 sponsorship revenue
- 350 people participated in our Denver Business Conference & Luncheon
- Prospect Preview Theater hosted standing-room only crowd
- Cut expenses by \$605,153.95 more than 47%!

#### NAPE Denver ~ October 12-13, 2016



#### NAPE Summit 2016

- Forecasted 10,000 attendees and registered 11,353 (including over 2,000 walkups/onsite registrants)
- 694 Exhibitors
- \$2,178,650.00 sponsorship revenue
- 98 sponsors total (close to 100% capacity for sponsorships available.)
- Global expansion and integration of international prospects within domestic exhibits show floor
- Implementing two prospect preview theaters for both domestic and international players

# Downward Trending Market Tips

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#### First and foremost: DO NOT Panic

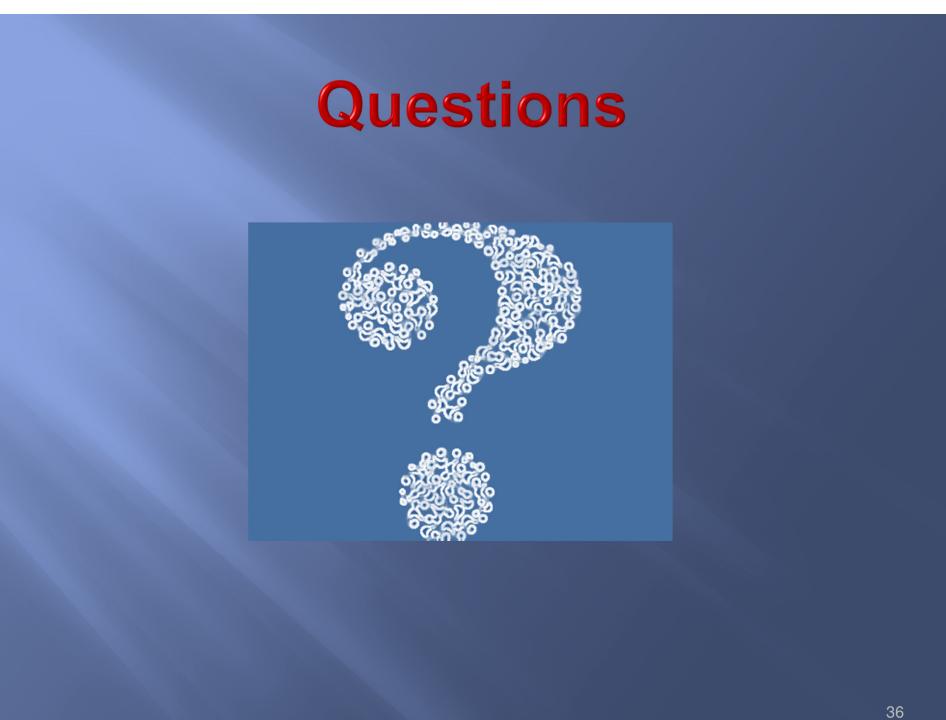
- Adjust your attitude
- Be dedicated to your profession
- Make yourself indispensable
- Build on your relationships
- Do not get distracted from your goals
- Get more involved not less
- Education, Education, Education
- Diversify your services
- Be aware of your opportunities and act on them
- Never surrender your professional dreams

## **Final Thoughts**

#### New AAPL Ambassador Toolkit – link

http://www.landman.org/resources/ambassador-toolkit

 Relationships between independent contractors and employees
LLC / Corporation



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