



## JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### TAPL members:

Welcome to the 2019 calendar year! For most of us we are glad to turn the page on a New Year, but as we move forward I decided to look back over the years for inspiration and in doing so I stumbled on a letter from our first female President, Debra Langley. Debbie served as TAPL president for the 1999-2000 term and addressed the membership as president in the August newsletter where she discusses the uncertainty and impending change, not only in our organization and industry, but in the world around. She writes about forecasts calling for \$10.00 oil and \$2.00 gas and others that are on the other end of the spectrum boasting \$40.00 per barrel, all while everyone is scrambling to get ahead of a pending Global Crisis known as "Y2K". Fast-forward 19 years and you will find that while many things have changed, the uncertainty in our world and industry is one thing that remains the same. Only our "Y2K" is a "Government Shutdown" bringing the BLM and other federal agencies to a grinding halt, and our pricing rollercoaster that flirted with \$75.00 for a few days now seems to be more comfortable around \$50.

So where do we go from here? Where will our industry be in another 20 years? You're definitely asking the wrong guy. However I do know that the Landmen and other professionals that make up this organization will continue to adapt to our ever-changing environment and continue to grow and thrive for years to come.

With that said we have a few things coming up that everyone should be keeping an eye out for. One is our February dinner meeting at the Summit Club where we will have Don Key speak with us and get us all in a great frame of mind to kick off NAPE week. Don is an amazing speaker and an even better Landman. He is also a great ambassador for our industry, so please head on over to the website and register to attend.

Finally, I know it is hard to believe but it is time for the TAPL Board Nominating Committee to call for nominations for members to serve on the TAPL Board for the next two years. If you know of anyone that is an active member of this organization that you feel is a great candidate to shape the future of this organization, please take time to send an email with those members' names to [taplboard@gmail.com](mailto:taplboard@gmail.com) and put "TAPL Board Nomination" in the subject line. All nominations will be kept anonymous and all nominations must be received no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Thank you in advance for your help identifying the members that will lead us over the next several years.

I look forward to seeing you all at the February dinner meeting and at all of the great events we have planned for our members over the next few months.

Sincerely,

**Andy Matson, CPL**

TAPL President



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