

AAPL # 5514
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Career Highlights

- Independent Professional Landman since 1981
- Member of the Michigan Association of Professional Landmen (MAPL). Has attended MAPL quarterly educational meetings on a regular basis for over thirty five years
- Has bought Leases and examined mineral title in over 40 counties in Michigan and represented dozens of different Lessees while conducting landwork. Has successfully put together multiple drilling projects in Michigan start to finish
- Owner of Amboy Oil Co., LLC formed in 2008 investing in Working Interest, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases
- Several years of recent experience working in renewable energy

1995

- Has been an AAPL Member in good standings since December 1, 1995

1996

- Passed the CPL Exam on the first try in East Lansing, Michigan

2001

- Recertified his CPL with 57.30 credits over the past 5 years

2004

- Elected MAPL Board of Directors Membership Chairman
Attended all local Board of Director Meetings
Hosted MAPL educational meeting
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter

2005

- Elected MAPL Board of Directors Treasurer
Attended all local Board of Director Meetings
Hosted MAPL educational meetings
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter

2006

- Elected MAPL Board of Directors Secretary
Attended all local Board of Director Meetings

Hosted MAPL educational meetings
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter

- Elected AAPL Region II Director (Hosted multiple AAPL educational seminars in Michigan)
Participated at AAPL Board of Directors Quarterly Board Meetings
- Recertified CPL with 57.00 credits over past 5 years

2007

- Elected MAPL Board of Directors Vice President
Attended all local Board of Director Meetings
Hosted MAPL meetings including the annual golf outing and winter seminar with record attendance
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter
- AAPL Region II Director (Hosted multiple AAPL educational seminars in Michigan)
Participated at AAPL Board of Directors Quarterly Board Meetings

2008

- Elected MAPL Board of Directors President
Organized and attended all local Board of Director Meetings
Hosted MAPL meetings including the Fall Seminar with record attendance
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter
Started and maintained the current MAPL website michiganlandman.com
- Reelected AAPL Region II Director (Hosted multiple AAPL educational seminars in Michigan)
Participated at AAPL Board of Directors Quarterly Board Meetings and attended the AAPL Annual Meeting
- As AAPL Region II Director, received the AAPL Award for Largest Growth Percentage of AAPL Membership – Medium Sized Association at the Annual Meeting by encouraging and sponsoring dozens of Michigan Landmen to join AAPL
- Formed his own Oil and Gas Investment Company, Amboy Oil Co., LLC and started investing in Working Interest, Over-riding royalty interest and purchasing minerals

2009

- MAPL Board of Directors Immediate Past President
Liaison to MAPL Board of Directors and Membership
Author and publisher of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter
Maintained the current MAPL website
- AAPL Region II Director (Hosted multiple AAPL educational seminars in Michigan)
Participated at AAPL Board of Directors Quarterly Board Meetings and attended the AAPL Annual Meeting
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2010

- Author of MAPL Quarterly Newsletter

Maintained the current MAPL website

- AAPL Region II Director (Hosted multiple AAPL educational seminars in Michigan)
Participated at AAPL Board of Directors Quarterly Board Meetings taking the podium several times as Director in support of AAPL
Attended the AAPL Annual Meeting
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2011

- AAPL Executive Committee Third Vice President
Participated at all Executive Committee Meetings hosted by AAPL and Jack Richards, President
Participated at all AAPL Board of Directors and several Committee Meetings
Published Articles in the Landman Magazine
Attended the AAPL Annual Meeting
- Contributing Member to the AAPL Strategic Planning Committee
Attended Committee meetings at AAPL headquarters
- AAPL Awards Committee voting Member and ExCom Liaison to the Committee
Attended Awards Committee Meeting at NAPE
- NAPE Ambassador
- Recertified CPL with 124.80 credits over past 5 years
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2012

- Assistant Chairman of the AAPL Millennial Task Force
Attended AAPL Board of Director Meeting
- NAPE Ambassador
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2013

- AAPL Certification Committee Member. Reviewed and approved over 100 Certification Applications
Published Article in the Landman Magazine
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2014

- AAPL Certification Committee Chairman (Took a year off from doing landwork and committed an entire fiscal year as Certification Chairman to AAPL and its membership)
Organized and coordinated monthly Certification Committee Meetings
Attended AAPL Board of Directors Meetings

Reviewed and approved over 800 Certification Applications
Assisted in updating and rewriting the outdated AAPL Certification Program Specifications and Certification Applications
Published Articles in the Landman Magazine and started "Certification Corner"

- As Chairman of the AAPL Certification Committee, passed an Amendment to the Certification Program Specifications in front of the AAPL Board of Director by vote of 43 in favor and 2 opposed lifting the restrictions on Title Professionals who do not negotiate in order to allow them to sit for the CPL Exam
- Recipient of a Special Recognition Award at the AAPL Annual Meeting from AAPL President Roger Soape for accomplishments as Certification Chairman
- NAPE Ambassador
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2015

- Chairman of the AAPL Advanced Educational Study Task Force A/K/A Task Force #3
Organized and coordinated monthly Task Force Meetings
Attended AAPL Board of Directors Meetings
- Contributing Member of the AAPL CPL Exam Review Task Force
Attended meetings at AAPL headquarters to rewrite questions missed on the CPL Exam more than fifty percent of the time
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2016

- Contributing Member of the AAPL Promote & Hire Your Own Campaign Task Force
- Gave Ethics Speech to local Landmen at AAPL Field Landman Seminar in Boardman, Ohio titled "Landman Ethics and Lessons Learned"
- Recertified CPL with 167.30 credits over past 5 years
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2017

- AAPL Chairman of the Field Landman & Specialization Study Task Force
Organized and coordinated monthly Task Force Meetings and Attended AAPL Board of Directors Meeting
- Contributing Member of the AAPL Disaster Relief Committee assisting AAPL to provide needed financial support to its members and their families who were hurricane victims
- Won the MAPL bowling tournament held in Lansing, Michigan
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2018

- Contributing Member of the AAPL Field Landman Committee
Attended all Committee meetings
Attended AAPL Annual Meeting
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2019

- Assistant Chairman of the AAPL Field Landman Committee
Attended all Committee meetings. Suggested reaching out to all Directors to encourage meetings

Contributing Member of the AAPL Strategic Planning Committee
Attended all meetings
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2020

- Chairman of the AAPL Field Landman Committee
Attended all Committee meetings
Organized and presented the first ever and only “National Field Landman Seminar”
- Received the Presidential Award for Meritorious Service at the AAPL Annual Meeting presented to me by AAPL President Lester Zitkus
- RContributing member of the AAPL Strategic Planning Committee
Attended all meetings having impact on new policies and procedures adopted by AAPL
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2021

- Recertified my CPL with 68.75 AAPL continuing education credits
Attended the Annual Meeting in Arlington, Texas
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2022

- AAPL Region II Director
Attended AAPL Quarterly Board Meetings
Hosted a Field Landman Seminar in Michigan
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2023

- AAPL Region II Director
Attended AAPL Quarterly Board Meetings
Hosted a Field Landman Seminar in Michigan

Attended the AAPL Annual Meeting in Huntington Beach, California

- First year Trustee and voting member on the Landman Scholarship Trust (LST) Committee
Traveled to Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio interviewed undergraduate students approving scholarships for all of them
Traveled to NAPE and participated in LST graduate interviews voting to approve the AAPL Outstanding Graduate of the Year
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

2024

- AAPL Region II Director
Attended AAPL Quarterly Board Meetings
Hosted a Field Landman Seminar in Michigan
- Second year Trustee and voting member on the Landman Scholarship Trust (LST) Committee
Plans to travel to Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio for undergraduate interviews again. Has also taken on the responsibility of West Virginia University (WVU) for undergraduate interviews.
Will travel to NAPE and participated in LST graduate interviews again
- Owner Amboy Oil Co., LLC Working Interest investments, Over-riding royalty interest and mineral purchases

ADDITIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Has received production income from over 50 producing oil wells in Michigan since forming Amboy Oil Co., LLC in 2008, primarily working interest, royalty interest and over-riding royalties. It is with this income I am able to continue to participate in leadership positions with AAPL and MAPL
- Has logged over 550 hours of AAPL confirmed continuing education since obtaining CPL May 1, 1996
- As an Officer of MAPL, gave several speeches at local meetings including Ethics Speech
- As Region II Director, gave several speeches at local meetings educating local members about AAPL and encouraging all MAPL members to join AAPL
- Sat in on numerous AAPL round table meetings providing discussion prior to AAPL Board of Directors Meetings
- Has written several articles published in the AAPL Landman magazine
- Attended AAPL Orientation at AAPL Headquarters and online several times

CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITY

- 2010 to 2018, Spoke at several realtor association luncheons to educate local realtors on who a Landman is and what a Landman does. Also, to educate Realtors on real property mineral title and interpretation supporting the oil and gas industry

- Keynote speaker at the Michigan Land and Title Association 2011 Annual Seminar. Gave a speech on oil, gas and mineral title in Michigan to over 120 title professionals and attorneys with great success

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE INDUSTRY

- June, 2008 was guest speaker on the morning show for WMMQ Local Radio Station to take on the morning DJ who had been bad mouthing oil and gas companies on the radio regarding the price of gasoline being over \$4.00 per gallon at the pump. The speech reached out to over 80,000 listening over the radio and sent a positive message regarding Landman and oil and gas exploration. Following, geologists, engineers and other industry professionals and associates were asked to speak on this same morning radio show.
- Gave speech at his final MAPL meeting as President about his radio experience in front of 120 MAPL members and received a standing ovation
- Spoke in front of the State of Michigan Legislature, and gave testimony, in opposition to a proposed Bill that would increase recording costs of all documents recorded with the Register of Deeds Office in Michigan
- Key witness at informal hearings in Traverse City, Michigan in opposition to Licensing of Landmen which was shot down
- Most of his travels have been self-funded with no supplement allowing him to give back to the industry through MAPL and AAPL leadership positions

Additional About Me

- First started working in the oil and gas industry January 2, 1977 as a senior in high school as a draftsman for Dart Oil and Gas, Mason, Michigan.
- Did roustabout work for three years prior to becoming a Landman by working around producing wells in Michigan learning to run heavy equipment, weld, form concrete, install pipes, rebuild compressors, etc.
- Married to Cindy Shinevar for 21 years, has two Children Wesley Shinevar 31 and Danielle Shinevar 28, both very successful business professionals
- Avid outdoorsman. Hunts Big and Small Game, deer, turkey and pheasants in Michigan. Loves to fish in the lakes and rivers of Michigan too
- Accomplished bowler having inherited the love of this sport from his mother who was a famous bowler in Mason, Michigan his hometown. Routinely averages over 200 and has bowled a perfect 300 game in sanctioned competitive league play
- Loves to garden, dig in the dirt, grow flowers and vegetables
- Loves to go camping with his wife and family at State Parks around Michigan during the summer months