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# SPWP NEWS

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTE

**WRITTEN BY:  
SUZANNE SHORT**

Happy March! This time of year ushers in daylight savings time and the luck of the Irish. Best of all, spring break! A universal vacation time, regardless of stage of life. There is plenty of activity within SPWP too!

SPWP participated in our third semi-annual litter collection on March 5th. Adopt-A-County Mile (AACM) has enabled us to show pride in our community by cleaning a stretch of highway near 249 and Spring-Cypress Rd. Big thanks to Amii Rozell, Tricia Hill, Angelica Bautista, and Tania Rezanka! We hope you join us later in 2022 at our next scheduled clean-up.

Our next volunteer opportunity is on March 28th at Blackhorse Golf Club. A total of eight volunteers are needed to cover tables at the AADE Golf Tournament. We will work registration tables and witness the hole-in-one contest. Our partnership with AADE allows us to support their golf tournament, while earning a valuable donation toward SPWP. This is also a fun networking opportunity that SPWP provides to its members.

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Big thanks to Tania Rezanka for joining the scholarship committee as co-chair with Ingrid Cooper! This is an exciting time to see SPWP recognize deserving high school seniors in the Houston area. The committee will be reaching out to SPWP members soon to solicit volunteers for grading, checking references, and conducting interviews so please stay tuned. Membership renewal dues of \$75.00 were due on February 28th. Your membership can be continued in 2022 with a late fee until March 31st. Please look for a final email from our treasurer, or visit [SPWP.org](http://SPWP.org) to complete your payment. Consider sponsoring a friend or co-worker to join SPWP in 2022! Attendance at two of four consecutive breakfast meetings is the requirement for an invitation to membership.

As always, please connect with us on Facebook at the "Society of Professional Women in Petroleum, Houston" as well as on LinkedIn at "Society of Professional Women in Petroleum". This will help you stay updated on our upcoming events, and will also help to grow our social media presence in order to profile our organization to potential new members.



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# MARCH MINUTES

## SUBMITTED BY: KELSEY HULETT

President, Suzanne Short, called the meeting to order at 7:36 am on February 10, 2022.

Suzanne welcomed all members and guests and introduced the 2022 Board Members. All guests present introduced themselves.

Suzanne asked for a motion to approve the January 2022 minutes as written in the newsletter. Amii Rozell approved the minutes as posted. No one opposed, so the minutes were approved as written.

SPWP 2nd Vice President, Yalonda Henderson, introduced speaker Dean Lioliou Strategic Account Manager for The Gulf and Permian Regions for MATCOR. Dean presented on Cathodic Protection and why it is critical to our infrastructure. Cathodic Protection is a means to prevent corrosion of metals by applying an electrical DC current on the material to stop the corrosion reaction. Metal tends to revert back to its natural state when reacting to the environment resulting in corrosion. To protect our assets Cathodic Protection may be used. Unprotected pipelines can be tremendously hazardous to people, their property and to the environment as a whole and will see corrosion, cracking. Well casings also use Cathodic Protection to mitigate risk. Outside of oil and gas, there are many applications of Cathodic Protection including homes, bridges, and water tanks. Cathodic Protection was invented in the late 1890s. Mixed Metal Oxide (MMO) Anodes are the latest evolution of anode technology for Cathodic Protection.

Suzanne Short reminded the members present that SPWP is seeking volunteers to perform for a financial audit. Suzanne reported on behalf of the Scholarship Committee that a co-chair is still needed to support scholarship activities. Suzanne reminded members and guests present to find SPWP on Amazon Smile to donate a portion of their normal Amazon spend to our non-profit.

Suzanne wished a happy birthday to all the members born in the month of February and recognized member anniversaries occurring during the month. Suzanne shared that SPWP will have a new feature in the newsletter to spotlight member companies. The feature will highlight company news, ads, and special events.

Everyone present was reminded that the March SPWP meeting will be held on March 10th. SPWP's next Adopt a County Mile community service project will be held on Saturday, February 26th from 8-10am. Suzanne shared that SPWP membership dues are due February 28th.

Suzanne also reminded that scholarship applications are now open and applicants must apply within the March 25th due date. Suzanne requested volunteers for the AADE golf tournament being held Monday, March 28th at Black Horse Golf Club.

The meeting adjourned 8:25am.



# MARCH SPEAKER

## JOSHUA JONES

### AFEX FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

Joshua Jones specializes in supplying AFEX fire suppression systems for heavy-duty mobile equipment to the global oil, gas, and energy industry. Joshua has over 15 years of business development experience lending to his proficiency in educating, continuous improvement, and managing account relationships. At AFEX, Joshua develops and forges relationships with E&P's, Oilfield OEM's, Oilfield Operators, and Consultants to drive education surrounding the benefits of fire suppression systems at hydraulic fracturing spreads and drilling operations.

Joshua is an active member of a variety of industry associations, including the Denver Petroleum Club (DPC), the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE), and the American Petroleum Institute (API) Houston Chapter. He's also MSHA Part 48 certified, an accreditation relevant for vendors and miners that outlines safe practices in the mining industry, including the frac sands market.

Joshua was born and raised in North Carolina, receiving a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He lives just outside of Raleigh, NC with his wife and children. He is a member of his local church's leadership council, an Eagle Scout, an outdoorsman, and an avid fly fisherman.



## ABOUT AFEX FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

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- Specialized products with the latest technologies
- 50+ years of discovery, innovation, manufacturing and testing
- Reliable, compliant systems to meet rigorous environment demands
- Customized systems to fit the specific needs of the equipment and application
- Innovation designs for easy service and maintenance
- International scope backed by a trained network of responsive distribution, service, and support partners

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE APPROACHING

SPWP Scholarship applications for 2022 will close on March 25. If you haven't shared this opportunity with your network, be sure to do so before time runs out.

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Thank you to Tania Rezanka for stepping up to be our 2022 Scholarship Committee Co-Chair, alongside Ingrid Cooper. If you are interested in serving with the scholarship committee, please email your interest to Tania & Ingrid.



**Scholarship Applications Closing Soon!**



**THANK YOU**



### Upcoming Events

#### AADE Houston Golf Tournament

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Monday, March 28, 2022  
9:30 Registration  
12:00 Shotgun Start

BlackHorse Golf Club

4-man Scramble. Sponsor opportunities available!

[Click here for more details & to register.](#)



## ADOPT A COUNTY MILE Saturday, March 5, 8am -10am

Thank you to our members who showed up to our mile at Spring Cypress and 249 to help with our 3rd cleanup! Amii Rozell, Tricia Hill, Tania Rezanka, & Angelica Bautista. We appreciate your willingness to participate in SPWP's efforts to clean up our community!

If you missed this cleanup, we will have one more before the summer - stay tuned for details!

## AADE GOLF TOURNAMENT Monday, March 28, 11:00am

Each year, SPWP helps AADE run a portion of their golf tournament as a fundraiser for the annual SPWP high school scholarships. This year, several of you have graciously stepped up to volunteer your time.

If you would still like to help, but have not signed up, please connect with Suzanne Short to be added to the list of volunteers.

# MEMBER RECOGNITION

## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

### **SONYA BYNUM** **P&I SUPPLY**

#### **1. How did you get started in the oil & gas industry?**

From my early childhood, my father was a tool pusher for a land rig operator in Texas. I grew up learning about oil rig operations, climbing up derricks, tripping pipe and greasing the kelly. As I entered the professional world, my natural inclination was to gravitate towards the oil & gas industry. I wrote software for industrial distribution companies that specialized in providing products and services to customers in the oil & gas market.

#### **2. What is your area of specialty (i.e. sales, accounting, engineering, etc.)?**

My preferred area of specialty is sales; however, I have expertise in supply chain, operations, logistics and business analytics.

#### **3. When people seek out your help, what do they usually need help with?**

Product knowledge and data analytics tend to be the strongest skill sets I assist with.

#### **4. Who has been the most influential person in your career and why?**

My dad has been the most influential person in my career. Growing up I watched his unfaltering work ethic, developed his same business operation mindset, and adapted his sheer determination to exceed goals in order to achieve career advancement.

#### **5. What is the best career advice you've received?**

Never compromise your integrity or reputation because a blemish on either will outlive your career.

#### **6. Were you born in Houston? If not, what brought you here?**

I was born in a small east Texas town. After my college graduation, I was given the opportunity to relocate to Houston to advance my career in industrial sales.

#### **7. What is your favorite place in the world?**

Paris, France. The culture, the romance and of course the bread.

#### **8. What is your favorite book or movie?**

The book called Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance by Angela Duckworth

#### **9. If time and money were no issue, what hobby would you pursue?**

To become a professional female golfer on the LPGA.

#### **10. How did you become involved in SPWP?**

I wanted to be an active member of a diverse group consisting mainly of women in the oil & gas industry group for networking and camaraderie building opportunities.



# MEMBER RECOGNITION



March 24 - Evalyn Shea  
March 28 - Amii Rozell  
March 30 - Audra Seanghok



Michelle Vincent - 9 years  
Veronica Rhodes - 3 years



## NEW MEMBERS

Angelica Bautista  
Lynn Babec  
Sonya Bynum

### Leaving your employer? Understand your 401(k) options.

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# MEMBER UPDATES

## SHERRY ADAMS

Wabtec was excited to exhibit at the recent SPE Hydraulic Fracturing Technical Conference in The Woodlands. We utilized our new booth graphics focusing on the Wabtec name. We were also promoting our name change from Longwood Elastomers to Wabtec Components LLC which was effective January 1st of this year.

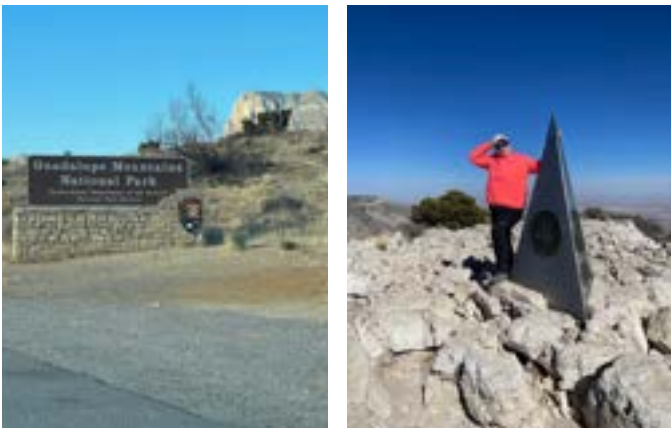


## KELSEY HULETT

Kelsey Hulett (NOV) and family helped plan the 50th Anniversary celebration luncheon at their church on Sunday, February 6th. The Hulett's helped by decorating for the event and enjoyed the festivities including a photo booth, trivia, outdoor games, and a band.

## SUZANNE SHORT

"Seek the Wild" -- On February 5th, Suzanne Short (Edward Jones) attended the Houston Safari Club Foundation Annual Convention at George R. Brown Convention Center. This event features vendors and outfitters from around the world dedicated to preserving hunting heritage.



On March 5th, Suzanne spent the day hiking to the 'Top of Texas'. Guadalupe Peak is located inside Guadalupe Mountains National Park, and is the highest point in Texas at 8,751'. The trail is 8.4 miles round-trip.

## TANIA REZANKA

On March 3rd, Tania Rezanka (Schmidt+Clemens) participated in Tech Rodeo's 'Women in Technology' as a panelist speaker. This was her first public speaking engagement. Tania had a great time and received excellent feedback! She's excited to continue being a voice for Latina women in the industry!





# GENERAL INFORMATION

The Society of Professional Women in Petroleum was formed in early 1981 to support professional career women in the Petroleum Industry, through networking, education, and the distribution of technology and information. SPWP is incorporated as a non-profit organization.

All aspects of drilling and production operations are covered through topical monthly breakfast meetings and industry speakers, and we constantly seek to further expand the knowledge of our members. We also feature professional development speakers and hold roundtable discussions on a rotating basis.

SPWP's membership consists of women who have active careers in the Oil & Gas Industry in fields including Engineering, Geology, Sales, Research, Finance, Law, Quality Assurance, Purchasing, Advertising, and Marketing.

SPWP is dedicated to furthering the careers of women in the Oil & Gas Industry and as part of our mission, we have a merit-based scholarship program that provides financial assistance to female Houston-area high school seniors entering a Texas college. Our annual fundraisers on behalf of this program are made possible through the tremendous support of companies within the industry, as well as through the tireless dedication of our members.

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## SPWP MISSION STATEMENT

SUPPORTING CAREER WOMEN IN THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY  
THROUGH TECHNOLOGY AND INFORMATION

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