May 2008 NEWSLETTER

Two Summer Land Seminars

For the first time in many years, the national landmens’ association – the American Association of Professional Landmen (AAPL) – has scheduled a land seminar to be held in Billings, Montana. Don’t be confused: MAPL will hold its regular summer landmens’ seminar in conjunction with the MAPL golf tournament on July 17-18, 2008 in Billings (Crowne Plaza Hotel). One month later, AAPL will conduct a Land Practices Seminar coupled with an optional RPL Review and Exam on August 21-22, 2008, also in Billings (Crowne Plaza Hotel). Both seminars will be “don’t miss opportunities.”

MAPL Continuing Education Seminar  July 17-18  Billings, MT
AAPL Field Land Practices Seminar  August 21-22  Billings, MT

MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL LANDMEN CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR
(SIGN UP SHEET IN THIS NEWSLETTER BELOW)

DATES:  July 17-18, 2008

LOCATION:  Billings Petroleum Club (downtown Billings)
Crowne Plaza Hotel (fka Sheraton Hotel)
27 N. 27th Street, 22nd Floor
Billings, Montana
(406) 252-6702

COST: $100.00/MAPL members, $120.00/non-members  Continental Breakfast (both days) and Lunch included (Thursday) Cocktail Party at Petroleum Club following Thursday session (5:00 – 7:00 pm)  MAPL sponsored.

CONTACT:  John Fredlund (406) 259-5106 or Tom Hayes (406) 861-6354
MAPL CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR TOPICS AND SPEAKERS:
10 AAPL recertification credits (pending)

“Division Orders (What you didn’t think was important is now)”
Chris Mangen (Attorney - Crowley Law Firm), with Donna Heisler and Valeri Kaae

Leo Heath (Montana Tech Engineering Professor)

“Montana Geology – Stratigraphy and Shale Plays”
Gary Hughes (Independent Montana geologist)

“Tax Accounting for Independent Contractors, and Other Tax Subjects Affecting Landmen”
Pat White (Accountant with Galusha, Higgins & Galusha)

“Stipulations on Federal Oil and Gas Leases – how they are determined, and their consequences once surface access is desired (did someone say ‘Sage Grouse?’)”
Pascual LaBorda and Jim Albano (Bureau of Land Management)

“The State of Montana O&G Lease Form, State surface access and other controversial issues ”
Monte Mason (Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation)

“Lobbying Efforts: How to Effectively Testify at Hearings, and other ways to become an involved Citizen on Industry-related Issues” (will also speak on the “Sage Grouse issue”)
David Galt (President - Montana Petroleum Association)

“Reservations and Conveyances of Mineral Interests: Interpreting Language, Intent and Duhig”
Garth Sjue (Attorney - Crowley Law Firm, Williston, ND)

“Ethics in Business – black, white, gray, and all the colors in between”
Ken Sandvik (employee development and ethics - First Interstate BancSystem, Inc.)

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GARY KABEARY MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
(SIGN UP SHEET IN THIS NEWSLETTER BELOW)

DATE / TIME: July 18, 2008  (Friday)  1:00 p.m.  Shotgun Start

LOCATION: Laurel Golf Club (in Laurel, Montana) (west on I-90, exit north at Laurel main exit, under the overpass, then left on frontage road _ mile to sign)

COST: $90.00. Cost includes 18 holes of golf (in a highly scientific 4-person scramble format), cart, steak dinner, a few choice beverages and numerous chances at lucrative prizes.

CONTACT: Donna Heisler at 247-8726 (Work) or 248-3518 (Home) or Keven Reinschmidt at (406) 259-8790 (Office) or (406) 248-7026.
MAPL LANDMAN’S 2008 EVENT REGISTRATION FORM

Registration deadline is July 14th.

GOLF TOURNAMENT July 18, 2008 1:00 start. Laurel Golf Club
Registration deadline is July 6th.

GOLF SPONSORSHIP

_________________________________________________________________________________

Name:____________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________

MAPL Member: ____________________ (yes or no)

Employer: __________________________ Position: ______________________________________

Work Phone #: _______________________ Cell Phone #: ________________________________

E-Mail Address: ____________________________

18-Hole Handicap: __________ If no handicap, what is your average 18-hole score: __________

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TOTAL: $
Checks made payable to: “MAPL”

Mail to: MAPL, P.O. Box 1911, Billings, MT 59103

MAPL SCHOLARSHIP - 2008

If you are a MAPL member in good standing with membership dues fully paid and wish to nominate your child or grandchild for a $500.00 scholarship, please complete the form below and mail it to MAPL, PO Box 1911, Billings, Montana 59103. The drawing for the scholarship will be held the evening of July 18th at the golf tournament dinner in Laurel. (see Application form below)

General Qualifications: Applicant must be a MAPL member in good standing with dues paid.

One nomination per member. Nominee must be a child or grandchild of the MAPL member. Nominee must be enrolled in an institution for advanced education.

Subject to Verification: The MAPL Executive Committee reserves the right to verify the academic status of the nominee and the nominee’s enrollment in the chosen scholastic institution.

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2008 MAPL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

MAPL Member: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
Phone #: _____________________________

Scholarship Nominee: ______________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________
Phone #: _____________________________

Scholastic Institution: ______________________________________________________
                      (College or School Attending or Will Attend)

Scholastic Institution Address: ______________________________________________

Current School Status: _____________________________________________________
                      (High School - Senior; College - Freshman, etc.)

Mail to: MAPL, P.O. Box 1911, Billings, MT 59103
Montana Association of Professional Landmen

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
AND ANNUAL DUES INVOICE

Please provide the following information and return this form along with a check in the amount of $20.00 for Active Members or $10.00 for Life Members to cover dues for the Fiscal Year (July 1 through June 30) 2008-2009

MAIL TO: MAPL
PO Box 1911
Billings, MT 59103-1911

NAME: ________________________________________________________________

SPOUSE NAME: _________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: _______________________________________________________

Member of AAPL ___________________________ CPL, RPL, RP status______________

Date of birth ______________________________

Company Name: _______________________________________________________

Position: ______________________________________________________________

Company Address: ______________________________________________________

Phone Numbers: Work: _____________________ Cell___________________________

Email Address: _________________________________________________________

Website Address: _______________________________________________________

Dues period covers one fiscal year (July 1 through June 30 of the following year).

For New Members, the joining fee/dues covers the period from the day you join through the end of the current fiscal year.
2008-2009 MAPL OFFICERS BALLOT

Active MAPL members: Please mark your choice with an “X” and return to MAPL by July 6, 2008. If you wish to keep your ballot confidential, please cut where appropriate and return to MAPL in a separate envelope.

PRESIDENT: TOM HAYES For_____ Against_____
(Write-in)__________________________________________

VICE PRESIDENT: VALERI KAAE For_______ Against_______
(Write-in)__________________________________________

TREASURER: PATRICK BEDDOW For_______ Against_______
(Write-in)__________________________________________

SECRETARY: TOM HAUPTMAN For_______ Against_______
(Write-in)__________________________________________

Welcome NEW MAPL Members (since January):

Mona Ables  Samson Resources Co.  Tulsa, OK
Mark Bucksath  Independent  Story, WY
Chance Chandler  Lonetree Energy  Plentywood, MT
Mark Dickson  Independent  Billings, MT
Nicole Gorham  Ursa Major, LLC  Billings, MT
Jim Kempf  Capital Land Services  Hailey, ID
James R. Larson  Independent  Shelby, MT
Austin Mater  Lonetree Energy  Lakewood, CO
Robert Mosoronchon  Ptarmigan Lands LP  Calgary, Alberta
Victoria Smith  Ptarmigan Lands LP  Calgary, Alberta
Fredrick Taylor  Independent  Spokane, WA

And, with sadness, we say farewell, good friends. . .

Attorney Kemp J. Wilson died in Red Lodge on April 5, 2008 at the age of 70. A lifelong Montanan, Mr. Wilson lived in Billings, Forsyth, Sidney, Glendive, Helena, Bozeman, Missoula and Red Lodge. He was a member of the Crowley, Haughey, Hanson, Toole and Dietrich firm in Billings for more than 30 years. He was a member of the Rocky Mountain Oil and Gas Institute and served on the International Oil and Gas Commission. After law, he served as Carbon County attorney. Mr. Wilson is survived by his wife, Linda, three daughters and four sons.
**Rolf Malmquist** died on April 9, 2008 four days before his 80th birthday. Rolf was known as the Landman with the Swedish accent. He immigrated to the United States from Sweden, became a citizen and no one was more proud to be an American. Rolf achieved great success in the oil and gas business as an independent oil and natural gas lease broker in Casper and later in Billings. He was an independent Landman for forty years and was an Oil Scout for Lion Petroleum in the 1950s. He was also the partner of Jim Beasley on many independent oil deals in MT, ND and WY. Rolf is one of the oil scouts pictured in the classic group photo of local oil scouts in the 1950’s that hangs on the wall in the Billings Petroleum Club.

**Lewis L. Tuck** died on April 13, 2008 at the age of 89. Lou lived the American Dream married to his lovely wife Libby for 66 years, drilling for oil, flying the finest aircraft, and raising and racing horses. He was a tough minded operator and operated wells throughout central Montana. Lou started Great Plains Resources, Inc which was headquartered in Littleton, CO. His family may be contacted at PO Box 369, Littleton, CO 80160 or by email at greatplainsresources@yahoo.com.

**Here are four downtown motels if you need one while attending the Seminar—**

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