



# Winter 2015 Newsletter



## New Website Unveiled

As you have all hopefully seen at this point, the [www.nhapl.org](http://www.nhapl.org) website has gotten its new design and update it has been needing for years now. This project has been years in the making and the credit goes to this year's Board of Directors for giving this project the final push and funding allocation needed to get the job done.



The idea was to have a complete web re-design. The major effort and laudation goes out to our Secretary, Travis Hill, who spearheaded the efforts and performed all major duties of this change in his dual role as NHAPL Webmaster. He selected bids from web design firms and Merge Creative was selected by the Board as our contractor. The Board wanted updated site to still enable to use our existing contacts and web hosting, but would allow for our own personal autonomy in making changes, uploading content, and providing our Members with up-to-date information.

The project officially began in November and went live on Monday, March 2nd. An email blast went out announcing the new site, so please go and look around. We hope everyone enjoys the current content and new features. We also have a section on NHAPL History, that we still need contribution from knowledgeable past NHAPL history buffs. Please contact John Gerrish if you can help us fill in the gaps and give public credit to the founders and builders of the NHAPL.

Our plan is to increase our volume of event pictures, past publications, presentation material, and to also highlight recipients of our annual charities and university scholarship. We expect Membership to grow and thrive from our website's ease of use in signing up new members. As the Membership, your job is make sure we provide you everything you may require, so we want to hear feedback from you. Thanks and enjoy

The Board

## Call for Nominations

Its that time of year again....The lifeblood of the organization is the Membership. Here at the NHAPL, we plan all events and perform all function as 100% volunteers. We are proud of the strides we have made and look for willing members to help make things happen around here.

The group has a strong history of Members stepping up to the plate to contribute. Between the various social events, luncheons, and organization administration, much is asked of the people who step forward. In May, the Membership will vote on a new slate of Officers and Directors, and we want to have the best people available to fill those roles. If would like to nominate yourself or someone else for a role in the NHAPL's leadership, please contact the President, Joe Edgar, within the next month or so to throw your name in the mix

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### Organization at a glance

- 245 members strong
- Monthly Education luncheons including Certification Hours
- Annual Golf Tournaments and Sporting Clay events
- 1/2 day Educational Seminar and Spring Social
- Generously donates to local charities and provides scholarships

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# Past Events



## Inaugural TopGolf North Event

Last November, we experimented with the idea of having a Social at the TopGolf Houston North location. The event was a great success with lots of participation and support from generous sponsors

We would like to give a special thanks to Roy Richter for chairing the event, volunteers who helped run the event, and to all of our sponsors who made this event possible

**Platinum Sponsor:** Steptoe & Johnson PLLC

**Food and Beverage Sponsor :** Canterra Energy  
Percheron

**Bay Sponsor:** Newport Land Services

We plan to host this event again next Fall with some modifications. We hope to do this social earlier in the Fall Calendar and would want to offer the event to Members at a minimal or eliminated registration fee. These changes are still in the planning phase but we will keep you posted on the event as it approaches

## 1/2 Day Seminar

The NHAPL would like to give a special thanks to our presenting sponsor, Southwestern Energy, as well as Genesis Land & Mineral Resources and CL&F Resources for allowing us the opportunity to host such a beneficial event. We would also like to thank Anadarko Petroleum for hosting our event in the incredible Hackett Tower.

This year's events went off without a hitch. With roughly 80 Land professionals in attendance, this speaker lineup was excited to present. Here's a quick rundown of this year's presenters:

1:00 p.m. | Melissa Munson (Steptoe & Johnson) presenting on "Federal Lease Overview"

2:00 p.m. | Cody Carper (Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, & Field) presenting on "Non-Traditional JV Deals"

3:00 p.m. | Eli Kiefaber (Kiefaber & Oliva) presenting on "Non-Executive Interests and Horizontal Pooling"

4:00 p.m. | Bret L. Strong (The Strong Firm) presenting on "Ethics"

Visit [NHAPL.org](http://NHAPL.org) and use the "Publications" tab for guidance on Presentation Material

Afterwards, the NHAPL Social at Goose's Acre brought on an additional fun, entertaining atmosphere prime for networking with other Land professionals within the industry. Goose's Acre is a prime location right along the Waterway, providing immeasurable views and a quality all-around experience. With roughly 45-50 people in attendance, this event was the perfect finish to the Half-Day Seminar.

Please join us in thanking each of this year's Half-Day Seminar speakers and we hope you enjoyed your afternoon. If you have any questions/comments/opinions regarding future events, please use the "Contact Us" page to give your input.



(Not actual event picture\*)

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
March 12, 2015	March Luncheon	11:30 AM	SWN Headquarters
April 9, 2015	April Luncheon	11:30 AM	Amerigo's Grille
April 27, 2015	Spring Golf Tournament	Noon	Augusta Pines Golf Club
May 14, 2015	May Luncheon and Officer Election	11:30 AM	Steamboat House

Remember to sign up for all events online at [www.nhapl.org](http://www.nhapl.org)

All luncheons will be approved for 1 (one) credit hour of AAPL approved Continuing Education Credit for CPL, RPL, & RL Certifications

Event updates with times and locations will change as events approach. Check the website periodically

Sponsorship opportunities available for all social events and tournaments. Sponsorships can be registered through NHAPL website registration or event coordinator

## Shameless AAPL Membership Plug

The NHAPL strives to best serve the Landmen in our region where we work and live. We are a local affiliate of the AAPL and work in close relation to the actions and policies at a national level.

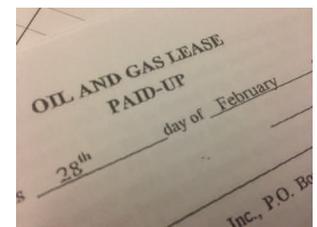
Nearly 84% of our members are already members of the AAPL and that is a proud figure. As landmen and land industry professionals, our industry is supported and promoted primarily through the AAPL's efforts. This organization represents the best interests of our profession to the public, nation, and industry and serves to advocate our livelihood. No NHAPL member is a stranger to the workings of the AAPL, and we send a Regional Director to represent the NHAPL to the national Board Meetings. We are well represented and our Regional Director serves our best interest to the AAPL.

Our goal to not only enhance NHAPL membership, but to also increase the percentage of our NHAPL Member that are also members of the AAPL. The benefits are obvious and we will continue to encourage AAPL membership to our members. If you have any questions, just ask.

## 2015 NHAPL Scholarship Update

Our Scholarship Chairmen, Jason Sebastinas, has already sent out this year's application for University Scholarships. We will award two \$1000 scholarships to students currently enrolled in an AAPL-accredited Petroleum Land Management Programs.

We hope to get a stack of applicants and we will announce the recipients at the May Luncheon



# 2015 NHAPL Spring Member/Guest Tournament

Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

4 Man Scramble



- ❖ 11:30 a.m. Registration Begins
- ❖ 11:30 p.m. LUNCH PROVIDED
- ❖ 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start
- ❖ 6:00 p.m. DINNER and AWARDS  
After Play Concludes
- ❖ \$125 Player Registration Fee
- ❖ 2 Mulligans per person Included
- ❖ Sponsorships Available (see attached)

[www.tour18.com](http://www.tour18.com)

18 Augusta Pines Dr., Spring TX 77389

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel #: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #3: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #4: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Singles and doubles will be paired to make 4 man teams

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "NHAPL"**

2015 NHAPL Fall Golf Tournament  
c/o T.E.A.M

13910 Champion Forest Dr., Ste. 105  
Houston, TX 77069

Attn: Randy Helms

Sponsorship Form  
2015 NHAPL Spring Member/Guest Golf Tournament  
Monday, April 27th, 2015  
Augusta Pines Golf Club  
4 Man Scramble

Dear Sponsor:

We are offering you and your company the opportunity to be a sponsor at the annual NHAPL Member/Guest golf tournament. This year's event will be held on **Monday April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at Augusta Pines Golf Club**. The tournament provides an excellent opportunity to network with fellow landmen and enjoy great fellowship and a round of golf with friends. We are currently seeking sponsors for each of the categories listed below. With your sponsorship, your company will receive sponsor sign recognition at registration, on the course, and recognition at the post play awards and dinner ceremony. This allows your company maximum exposure and the opportunity to promote your business. **Sponsors' employees will be given priority registration guaranteed in-case of a waiting list.** We hope you will take advantage of the below sponsorship levels.

Green Fee Sponsor - \$2,500  
Dinner Sponsor - \$1,000  
Beverage Sponsor - \$1,000  
Awards Sponsor - \$1,000  
Door Prize Sponsor - \$1,000  
Cart Sponsor - \$500  
Range Sponsor - \$500  
Long Drive Sponsor - \$500  
Closest to the Pin Sponsor - \$500  
Individual Hole Sponsor - \$250 per hole

List your Type of Sponsorship(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

(Checks Made Payable to NHAPL)

\* Checks may be mailed along with this form to:

Randy Helms  
Tri Energy Asset Management, Inc.  
13910 Champion Forest Dr., Ste. 105  
Houston, TX 77069

\*\*\*Company name as you want it to appear on the sponsor sign\*\*\*

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of Professional Landmen

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## 2014-2015 Officers and Directors

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