

# Shreveport Geological Society **NEWSLETTER**

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# LET'S DIG IN!









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# Message from the President

As Hurricane Ida barreled towards the Louisiana Coast in late August, it was well known that both the upstream and downstream operations in the Gulf Coast area would be affected substantially. What was not known was the extent to which these operations would be affected, or for how long. The category 4 storm made landfall on the morning of August 29, 2021, and at that point, nearly all production in the Gulf of Mexico was offline. A full week later, 80% of that production was still offline and five refineries were shutdown. Many reports are saying the Gulf Coast Region has not seen this kind of impact on oil and gas production and refining from a hurricane ever before; with the closest comparison being Katrina back in 2005. Thankfully Ida did not cause the substantial loss of life that was brought on by Katrina, but the damage to infrastructure, fuel supply, and people's livelihoods will be felt for quite some time.

Through all of this devastation, the oil markets have stayed relatively stable with prices remaining in the \$70 - \$75 per barrel range. Natural gas markets, on the other hand, are a completely different story. In April 2020 the EIA predicted natural gas prices at Henry Hub would average \$2.54 per MMBtu for 2021. At the time I am writing this, natural gas is trading at \$6.02 per MMBtu; a whopping 237% over the EIA's prediction for 2021's average. While no one knows whether these prices will hold, it is obvious that if a cold winter sets upon us in the coming months, natural gas prices will stay elevated for the foreseeable future.

COVID-19 is still running rampant in the US, and sadly our state's vaccination rates remain one of the lowest in the country. I can only hope that the surge in cases, hospitalizations, and deaths in Louisiana will change people's minds and help convince them to get the shot.

The 28th Annual ALTAPL/SGS Golf Tournament was held on Friday, September 24, 2021 and I know everyone that took part in the festivities enjoyed the cooler weather. Our first SGS Member Meeting of this season was held on September 21, 2021 and it was our best attended meeting since the beginning of the pandemic. It certainly was a breath of fresh air to see a physical room full of people versus a virtual "Zoom room" full of people. The speaker, George W. Roth, gave an excellent talk about exploring for precious and base metals in Alaska. He also gave an overview of the current and future mining operations in the state, which was quite eye opening in terms of Alaska's metal exploration potential. We are continuing to offer the speaker presentations in a Zoom format, so if you can't make it to the meetings please don't hesitate to sign up and watch via Zoom!

Michael Danos has lined up Blake Mock with Canamera Coring for our October 19, 2021 member meeting. Blake has an extensive background in both the MWD and coring fields, and I know I am looking forward to hearing him speak. The presentation will be based around core acquisition and new coring technologies.

The 45th Red River Revel is being held on October 2-10, 2021 and the Mock Dig is geared up and ready to go. We are always looking for volunteers to help out at the Mock Dig, so if you are willing and able, I encourage you to visit the SGS website and sign up for a volunteer spot. Carrie Salinas always does an incredible job at putting the Mock Dig together, so let's all help her out by showing our support and volunteering.

Best regards, Ian M. Byram

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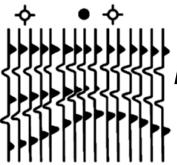
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# **Invest in the Future**

You can **donate** to the SGS Scholarship Fund online at <u>SGS1.org</u> or by writing a check to the SGS with "Scholarship" in the memo line, and you may include an **"in memory of" or "in honor of"** note as well.

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# Scholarships: A Special Report

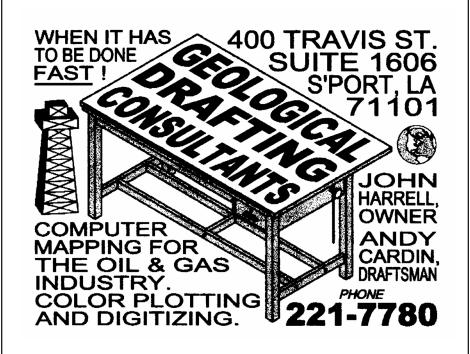
From Ian Byram and Annie Green

Scholarship Fund	Inception Date	Amount Awarded
Jarred Memorial Scholarship Fund	2011	\$ 8,214.00
Shreveport Geological Society Scholarship Fund	1986	\$ 20,009.00
Harvey Broyles Endowment Fund	1991	\$ 26,586.00
William G. and Mary Fee Wender Scholarship Fund	2003	\$ 80,228.00
A.W. and Tweatie Scarborough Baird Scholarship Fund	1986	\$ 243,150.00

For the past 35 years, Shreveport Geological Society has been an advocate for helping future geoscientists with scholarship awards from a number of different scholarship funds. This is something that SGS is very proud of, and we would like to thank our members and benefactors for allowing us to champion this cause.

As you can see in the provided table, SGS has awarded over \$378,000 in scholarship awards since the first fund's inception. This money has gone to help students achieve not only their degrees, but their goals in life as well.

If you would like to help SGS continue this legacy, you may send donations of any amount to Shreveport Geological Society P.O. Box 750, Shreveport, LA 71162. Please note "SGS Scholarship Fund" in the memo section. Along with your partnership, we look forward to encouraging geoscience students through scholarship awards for generations to come.





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# Calendar of Events



View this interactive calendar at <a href="SGS1.org">SGS1.org</a>

October 2 - 10 Volunteer at the Mock Dig at the Red River Revel

October 15
RSVP for the monthly meeting

October 19
Monthly Meeting
Blake Mock presents
"Core Acquisition and New Technology"
In-person 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Petroleum Club 15th Floor
Virtual 12:00 p.m. - 1 p.m. Zoom

October 27-29 GeoGulf 2021 in Austin, TX

On the Cover: Samples of what is hidden at the Mock Dig.

Interior Art: Page 1 "Series in White #2" (detail) by Christine Bailey, courtesy of the Bailey Art G allery at 214 Texas Street.

More at Bailey-Gallery.com.

Page 9 "Under Water" (detail) by Jerry Wray, showing at the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum through October 8. More at <u>JerryWray.com</u>.

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# The October Meeting Make your RESERVATION

# **Blake Mock**

presents

"Core Acquisition and New Technology"

# Tuesday, October 19

#### Virtual

12:00 p.m. Zoom \$10

#### **In-Person**

11:30 a.m. Petroleum Club of Shreveport \$20 (Children 10 and under \$8)

We encourage members to invite guests, spouses, and friends to any of our meetings.

If you'd like a seat, kindly **RSVP** by **Friday, October 15** at <u>SGS1.org</u> or by calling Mike Danos at 318-332-7673



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# Blake Mock

Blake has a combined 15 years of operational and sales experience within the oil and gas industry. He attended Austin College in Sherman, TX, where he graduated with a Business Administration degree and was captain of the varsity football team. From there, he went straight into the field working for



Multi Shot as an MWD hand and was then promoted to MWD Coordinator. Blake then began his journey in sales with NOV Coring and then moved on to Canamera Coring, where he is now the U.S. Sales Manager and has over 11 years of experience in coring.

### **Abstract**

# "Core Acquisition and New Technology"

The coring industry has seen a significant transition in the ability to core longer intervals in fewer runs. For instance, earlier in this century, a 90' + run would have been considered an enormous success and would have taken much planning and careful execution to implement. Now, because of new innovative engineering designs for coring technologies that have come into play in the last couple of decades, single coring runs of over 300 feet have been successfully accomplished in multiple basins throughout North America.

In this session, we will discuss the technologies that have made coring more operationally efficient and cost-effective while making longer run lengths more feasible.



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# **Mock Dig Volunteers Needed**

Each year the Shreveport Geological Society participates in the Red River Revel by organizing the Mock Geological Dig, courtesy of Security Exploration. SGS members volunteer to introduce young people to the excitement of scientific discovery. Rocks, minerals and fossils are scattered in a giant sand box that is roped off in squares, just like a real geological dig!

Children are encouraged to claim a section and hunt for quartz, pyrite, sharks' teeth, and polished rocks for a 15-30 minute shift, after which volunteers reseed the dig. Young adults high-school- to college-aged are encouraged to volunteer at the dig along with SGS members to learn more about rocks and minerals and to understand how important science is in our community.

Please volunteer for a shift that fits your schedule! You will also receive a commemorative t-shirt. More details at:

# https://bit.ly/2021MockDig

The Mock Dig will be open October 2-10:

Saturdays 11AM – 10PM

Sundays 11AM – 7PM

Monday – Wednesday 5PM – 9PM

Thursday – Friday 5PM – 10PM



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# Oil Patch Quiz

By Steve Walkinshaw, P.G.

Oil patch quiz time. Were it not for the coring of a key interval in its discovery well, a certain field ("J") would not have been discovered ~14 years ago. LWD and core gamma ray curves indicated a very shaley interval; instead, the core was essentially 100% sand and saturated with oil.

This discovery (and several others that followed) was made in a "mature" area. Where optimal, reservoir porosity and permeability is phenomenal: as high as 30% and 12 darcies. Production has exceeded 90,000 BOPD.

It appears oil migrated into these traps less than 1.6 Ma. Biodegradation has impacted oil above 6,430 feet.

### Questions...

Part 1: What field ("J") am I referring to?

Part 2: In what country?

Part 3: What adjacent discoveries were (a) "I" (b) "K" and (c) "L"?

Part 4: What is the age of the field "J" reservoir?

Part 5: What's the lithology and age of its topseal as shown in "B" and "E"?

Part 6: The fields shown are atop or on the flank of the large basement uplift "M". What's its name?

Part 7: What is the source of the oil that charged field "J"?

Part 8: What caused the upward structural movement believed associated with the biodegradation of the oil in the area?

#### Bonus:

Part 9: What producing province did the discovery of "J" revitalize?

Part 10: What company generated prospect "J"?

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AppDate	County	API	Operator	Purpose	TD
8/4/21	GREGG	18331543	<b>BUFFCO PRODUCTION INC. (106406)</b>	Recompletion	10800
8/6/21	PANOLA	36538624	ROCKCLIFF ENERGY OPERATING LLC (722890)	New Drill	13000
8/6/21	PANOLA	36538626	ROCKCLIFF ENERGY OPERATING LLC (722890)	New Drill	13000
8/9/21	CASS	06730840	ROSE CITY RESOURCES, LLC (727892)	New Drill	12300
8/11/21	HARRISON	20335469	COMSTOCK OIL & GAS, LLC (170038)	New Drill	13000
8/13/21	HARRISON	20334173	MERIT ENERGY COMPANY (561136)	Recompletion	10090
8/16/21	HARRISON	20335470	COMSTOCK OIL & GAS, LLC (170038)	New Drill	13000
8/19/21	GREGG	18332074	<b>DORFMAN PRODUCTION COMPANY (223490)</b>	Recompletion	10200
8/19/21	HARRISON	20335471	COMSTOCK OIL & GAS, LLC (170038)	New Drill	13000
8/19/21	<b>HARRISON</b>	20335472	ROCKCLIFF ENERGY OPERATING LLC (722890)	New Drill	13000
8/19/21	HARRISON	20335473	ROCKCLIFF ENERGY OPERATING LLC (722890)	New Drill	13000
8/30/21	PANOLA	36538678	KJ ENERGY, LLC (469901)	New Drill	10125
8/31/21	CASS	06730841	ROSE CITY RESOURCES, LLC (727892)	New Drill	11400
8/31/21	HARRISON	20335474	RFE OPERATING, LLC (704776)	New Drill	9671

## **Louisiana Permits**

Permit		Well	=041514114 1 411		
Date	County	SN	Operator	Well Name	Depth
8/9/21	BIENVILLE	252927	BPX OPERATING COMPANY	HA RA SUR;J P HOLLEY 8-17-20HC	21952
8/9/21	CADDO	252928	EGH OPERATING, LLC	ANKERSON	1100
8/9/21	CADDO	252929	EGH OPERATING, LLC	ANKERSON	1100
8/9/21	CADDO	252930	EGH OPERATING, LLC	ANKERSON	1100
8/11/21	<b>BIENVILLE</b>	252932	AETHON ENERGY OPERATING LLC	HA RA SUFF;GEP 13-24-25 HC	22990
8/11/21	<b>BIENVILLE</b>	252933	AETHON ENERGY OPERATING LLC	HA RA SUFF;GEP 13-24-25 HC	23070
8/11/21	<b>BIENVILLE</b>	252934	AETHON ENERGY OPERATING LLC	HA RA SUFF;GEP 13-24-25 HC	23510
8/11/21	CADDO	252935	TRINITY OPERATING (USG), LLC	HA RA SU121;BLOUNT 15-22 H	21600
8/11/21	CADDO	252936	TRINITY OPERATING (USG), LLC	HA RA SU121;BLOUNT 15-22 H	21600
8/12/21	CADDO	252937	TRINITY OPERATING (USG), LLC	HA RA SUHH; BLOUNT 10-3 H	21600
8/12/21	CADDO	252938	TRINITY OPERATING (USG), LLC	HA RA SUHH; BLOUNT 10-3 H	21600
8/17/21	<b>RED RIVER</b>	252941	INDIGO MINERALS LLC	HA RA SUSS;LGR 22&15&10-11-9HC	26000
8/17/21	RED RIVER	252942	INDIGO MINERALS LLC	HA RA SUSS;LGR 22&15&10-11-9HC	26000
8/19/21	CADDO	252943	TRINITY OPERATING (USG), LLC	HA RA SU132;HEROLD 23-14 H	21600
8/19/21	CADDO	252949	BLUE DOME OPERATING, LLC	HA RA SU69; BICKNELL 1-36 HC	22500
8/19/21	CADDO	252950	BLUE DOME OPERATING, LLC	HA RA SU69; BICKNELL 1-36 HC	22500
8/19/21	CADDO	252951	BLUE DOME OPERATING, LLC	HA RA SU69; BICKNELL 1-36 HC	22500
8/19/21	DE SOTO	252946	INDIGO MINERALS LLC	HA RA SUDD;BGLY 28&21-14-16 HC	24500
8/19/21	DE SOTO	252947	INDIGO MINERALS LLC	HA RA SUDD;BGLY 28&21-14-16 HC	24500
8/19/21	<b>DE SOTO</b>	252948	INDIGO MINERALS LLC	HA RA SUDD;BGLY 28&21-14-16 HC	24500
8/23/21	<b>RED RIVER</b>	252953	BPX OPERATING COMPANY	HA RA SUS;MJR FAMLLC21-28-33HC	24666
8/23/21	RED RIVER	252954	BPX OPERATING COMPANY	HA RA SUS;MJR FAMLLC21-28-33HC	23858
			MCCORMICK PRODUCTION		
8/24/21	CADDO	252957	COMPANY, INC.	CAPI VIV RA SU; WILLIAMS	5700
8/26/21	BIENVILLE	252959	AETHON ENERGY OPERATING LLC	HA RA SUT; M SANDERS 4 H	17457
8/27/21	BIENVILLE	252962	AETHON ENERGY OPERATING LLC	HA RA SUW; CARTHAGE TMBR 4- 9HC	22285
8/27/21	DE SOTO	252962	COMSTOCK OIL & GASLA, LLC	HA RA SUW;OLYMPIA MIN 28-33 HC	24000
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8/27/21	DE SOTO	252961	COMSTOCK OIL & GASLA, LLC	HA RA SUW;OLYMPIA MIN 28-33 HC	24000

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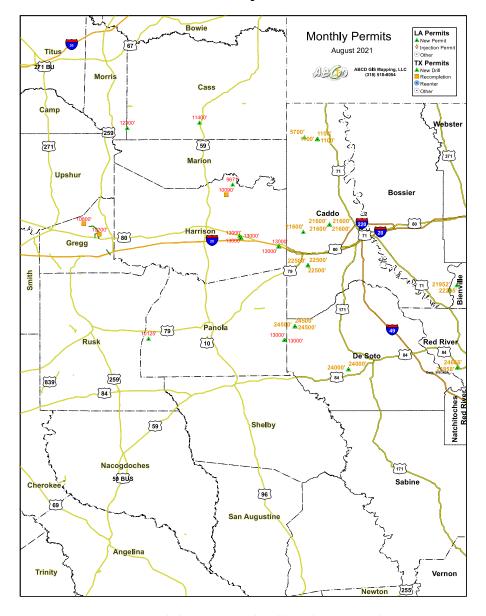
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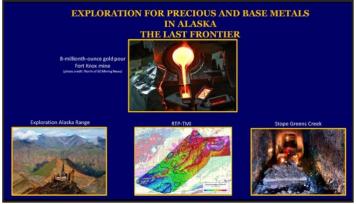
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# **Photos from the September 2021 Meeting**

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George W. Roth presented "Exploration for Precious and Base Metals in Alaska: The Last Frontier." SGS members and guests enjoyed the presentation and lunch at the Petroleum Club of Shreveport.







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# Oil Patch Quiz Answers

- Part 1: What field ("J") am I referring to? Edvard Grieg
- Part 2: In what country? Norway
- Part 3: What adjacent discoveries were (a) "I" (b) "K" and (c) "L"? (a) Apollo, (b) Ragnarrock, and (c) Johan Sverdrup
- Part 4: What is the age of the field "J" reservoir? (main reservoir) Triassic
- Part 5: What's the lithology and age of its topseal as shown in "B" and "E"? Upper Cretaceous chalk
- Part 6: The fields shown are atop or on the flank of the large basement uplift "M". What's its name? the Utsira High
- Part 7: What is the source of the oil that charged field "J"? the Draupne Formation
- Part 8: What caused the upward structural movement believed associated with the biodegradation of the oil in the area? isostatic rebound following the end of Plio-Pleistocene glaciation in the region
- Part 9: What producing province did the discovery of "J" revitalize? the Norwegian Continental Shelf
- Part 10: What company generated prospect "J"? Lundin Norway

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