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## From the Chair, Tom Hampton, Sentinel Peak Resources, [thampton@sentinelpeakresources.com](mailto:thampton@sentinelpeakresources.com)

Dear Members,

Hope you had a wonderful Christmas Holiday. I wish you a Happy New Year!

As I'm writing this article, oil prices are falling. I've heard colleagues say, "God, give us another boom, I won't mess it up this time." I've seen this roller coaster ride cycle over my career. My own personal saying – "when the going is good, prepare for the downturn, when the going is bad, prepare for when the going will be good." See the graph of the roller coaster of emotions. Check out humorous youtube video [Bust Boom](#) song by Wes St. John. A quote, "Those that don't know history are doomed to repeat it. Those that do know history are doomed to watch other people repeat it." (Uchdorft)



Traditionally the new year is a time to make resolutions. In reflecting on what to say, may I share some thoughts that have helped me? I really liked the course I had in the beginning of my career where my company provided employees training in – 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Steven R. Covey. Also, I have enjoyed books and videos by Clayton Christensen such as [Innovator's Dilemma](#). He challenges many of the assumptions I've learned in my MBA & Petroleum Engineering training ([Financial Tools Destroy Your Capacity to do New Things](#)) Check out his video, [How Will You Measure Your Life?](#) and [Clayton Christensen on Religion and Capitalism](#). Anyway, these are some ideas outside of my own personal faith/religion that have provided reference points in setting my own resolutions/goals in life.

Shifting gears, I would like to encourage you-all to consider the SJV SPE Sponsored courses. Here is a great quote, "We usually find oil in new places with old ideas. Sometimes, also, we find oil in an old place with a new idea, but we seldom find much oil in a old place with an old idea. Several times in the past we have thought we were running out of oil whereas actually we were only running out of ideas." Parke A. Dickey, 1958. Some of the upcoming courses are old and/or new ideas. We should never stop learning.

Upcoming SJV SPE Sponsored Schools:

Practical Rod Pumping Optimization 2/25-29/2019

Steam Solvent and Electromagnetic Heating Analysis 4/16-17/2019

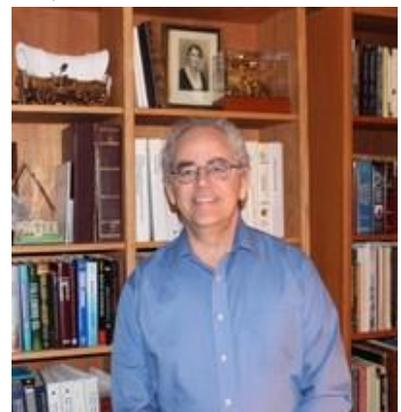
An Introduction to California Oil Industry Legislation and Regulations 6/3-4/2019

Mark your calendar for upcoming events:

General Section Meeting, Chemical EOR in Heavy Oil: An Underexplored Potential, January 17

Western Regional Meeting 4/23-26 at San Jose, California

# Happy New Year!



**Tom Hampton, SPR**  
SPE SJV Section Chair  
& GSM Chair

## San Joaquin Valley SPE Section General Section Mtg

**Chemical EOR in Heavy Oil:****An Underexplored Potential****Thursday, January 17, 2019 @ 11:30 AM**Petroleum Club 12<sup>th</sup> Floor – 5060 California Avenue, Bakersfield**Speaker:** Eric Delamaide, Reservoir Engineer, the EOR Alliance**Reservations:** RSVP by January 15th to avoid walk-in payments**Pay Online:** [Online Payment Link](#)**Or Email Tom Hampton at** [thampton@sentinelpeakresources.com](mailto:thampton@sentinelpeakresources.com)**Abstract**

Steam injection (including cyclic steam and SAGD) has long been recognized as the favored recovery method for heavy oil, with applications in many fields around the world, particularly California and Canada. More recently, polymer flooding has also become a relatively well accepted method to increase production and recovery in heavy oil fields. Numerous successful pilots have been reported these last few years and field expansions are currently ongoing in Canada, Oman, China and Albania for instance but surprisingly enough, there has been to the best of the author's knowledge no such application in the US. Surfactant injection has also been studied in the lab and several pilots are in the works.

Why should polymer and/or surfactant be selected over steam injection as a recovery process? What are their limits and advantages? This presentation will begin by describing the two chemical processes and their limits and will outline some of the criteria for their selection over steam injection. Some field cases will be presented to illustrate the potential of polymer injection in heavy oil reservoirs. The technology is robust and fairly simple to implement and can provide an opportunity to develop heavy oil reservoirs using polymer where steam injection is not possible.

**Biography**

**Eric Delamaide** is currently General Manager of IFP Technologies (Canada) Inc. in Calgary as well as the Manager EOR, Americas for the EOR Alliance. Delamaide is a reservoir engineer with over 25 years of experience who specializes in Enhanced Oil Recovery and heavy oil. He has worked in over 25 countries and been involved in various capacities in over 30 EOR projects including 17 polymer floods. He has published over 50 papers on various aspects of reservoir engineering and EOR. Delamaide has a BSc. degree in chemical engineering from the School of Mines in Saint Etienne, and an MSc. in Petroleum Engineering from the IFP School, both in France. He is a member of the SPE Distinguished Lecturer Committee, an Associate Editor for the SPE Reservoir Engineering Journal and a Technical Editor for various journals including the SPE Journal and SPE Reservoir Evaluation and Engineering. He has received awards for outstanding services as Technical Editor for SPE Reservoir Evaluation & Engineering in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 as well as one for SPE Journal in 2016. He also received a Canadian Regional Service Award from SPE in 2018. Delamaide has been a member of numerous conference technical committees, including ATCE, SPE Calgary Heavy oil, SPE Tulsa IOR, SPE EOR at Oil & Gas Western Asia, LACPEC, SPE Heavy and Extra Heavy Oil, IPTC, ADIPEC and MEOS, as well as a member of the technical committees for the World Heavy Oil Congress and the Global Petroleum Show.

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**Venue:** DoubleTree Hotel, Silicon Valley, San Jose California

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Low Salinity Water Flooding

#### **General Topics**

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Case Histories / Lessons Learned  
Technology: Innovations, Trials, and Implementations

## “Practical Rod Pump Optimization”

by Mr. John Svinos  
February 25th-28th 2019

Where: University of Phoenix, 4900 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93309

Dear SJV SPE Members,

The SPE is pleased to announce the Practical Rod Pumping Optimization course in Bakersfield on the 25-28th February 2019. (8am to 5pm, University of Phoenix, 4900 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93309)

This four-day course describes modern rod pumping technology and provides the knowledge needed to design, optimize and troubleshoot issues. This course will cover: equipment selection, system design, diagnostic analysis of existing systems, pumping unit balancing, and other techniques that minimize failures and maximize system efficiency. There will be additional scope to this established course that involves the nuances associated with using rod pumps in shallow thermal operations that are common in the central valley. There will also be an optional workshop tour with Harbison Fischer the following week (morning of the 5<sup>th</sup> March).

The cost of the course will be \$2,250 for SPE members and \$2,550 for non SPE members. **Registration is required by 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019.** (SPE annual membership is \$110). The course fee includes lunch.

--Course registration link: <https://squareup.com/store/society-of-petroleum-engineers-san-joaquin-valley-section/item/practical-rod-pumping-optimization>

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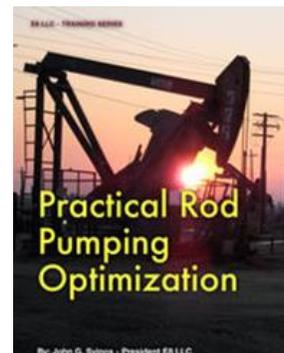
It will be required to have John Svinos' book for the course: "Practical Rod Pumping Optimization". The recommended version is an eBook on an Apple device, which is available online at Apple Books (\$180). A hard copy of the book can also be purchased at the course registration link (\$200).

-- [eBook link](#):

A laptop with Theta Software's rod pump optimization tools will be required for the course; please contact [gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk) with your e-mail details, who will send you a download link 10-15 days before the course starts.

### Course Instructor:

The instructor John G. Svinos is a recognized industry expert with 36 years of experience in rod pumping system optimization. As the founder of Theta Oilfield Services and later E8 LLC, he is the inventor of RODSTAR, XROD, XDIAG, XBAL, and other widely used rod pumping optimization software. John has also been teaching rod pumping optimization courses for over 34 years and has trained thousands of oil industry personnel in rod pumping optimization worldwide.



## **Steam-Solvent and Electromagnetic Heating Analysis and Design in Thermal Recovery**

By Dr. Mazda Irani

When: 16-17<sup>th</sup>, April 2019 (Register by 29<sup>th</sup> March)

Where: University of Phoenix, 4900 California Av1e, Bakersfield, CA 93309

Dear SJV SPE Members,

The SPE is pleased to announce a course on Steam-Solvent and Electromagnetic Heating Analysis and Design in Thermal Recovery in Bakersfield on the 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> April 2019 (University of Phoenix, 4900 California Ave, Bakersfield, CA 93309).

This is a two-day training course that will cover basic to advanced level understanding and design of solvent thermal recovery and electromagnetic heating (low to high frequency). The course is designed for: reservoir and production engineers, reservoir simulation engineers, and technology development leaders that are involved with thermal processes.

The cost of the course will be \$950 for SPE members and \$1,200 for non SPE members. (SPE annual membership is \$110). Registration is required by 29<sup>th</sup> March.

Course registration link: Coming soon—in meantime—contact [gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk)  
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Class time will be 8 am to 5pm. Lunch will be provided. Registration starts at 7:45 am. All participants will be required to bring laptops with Microsoft Excel to the class and have basic knowledge of the software tool. Participants will also need to understand basic PVT principles (such as saturation curves).

For additional information, please contact Gwyn Mali ([gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk)).

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### **Instructor:**

Dr. Mazda Irani is the director of Ashaw Energy Ltd. and has over 15 years of experience to a wide range of thermal activities. He is currently engaged in the design and optimization of different solvent/steam processes, assisting operators in verifying and optimizing their solvent/steam concepts and pilot projects. Dr. Irani was previously employed in technical and supervisory roles with Osum, Cenovus Energy, Suncor Energy, RPS Energy, and C-FER Technologies. He has published and presented more than 50 technical papers on different aspects of thermal operation and has PhD degrees in petroleum engineering (University of Calgary, 2017) and geomechanics (University of Alberta, 2012).

**An Introduction to  
California Oil Industry Legislation and Regulations**

By Dr. John P. Yu

When: 3-4th June 2019

Where: Room 355, Science Building II, CSUB, Bakersfield 93311.

Dear SJV SPE Members,

The SPE is pleased to announce an Introduction to California Oil Industry Legislation and Regulations course in Bakersfield on the 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at California State University Bakersfield.

This two-day course is an introduction to California oil & gas legislation and regulations, which will cover: general statutes and regulations associated with new drills, injection wells, abandoned wells, idle wells; well stimulation applications (SB4) and inspection requirements; and the underground injection control (UIC) and aquifer exemption application processes. The course also describes relationship between the EPA, Water Board, Kern County and DOGGR during the permitting and project review processes.

The cost of the course will be \$990 for SPE members and \$1,200 for non SPE members. (SPE annual membership is \$110). Registration is required by 30<sup>th</sup> April, but registration is encouraged sooner as this is expected to be a popular course.

Course registration link: Coming soon—in meantime—contact [gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk)

SPE membership link: <https://www.spe.org/join/>

Class time will be 8 am to 5pm. Lunch will be provided. Registration starts at 7:45 am  
For additional information, please contact Gwyn Mali ([gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gwynmali@yahoo.co.uk)).

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**Instructor:**

Dr. John Yu is a part-time lecturer at CSUB. He has previously worked for DOGGR and the California State Lands Commission for 20 years. During his time at DOGGR, he was an Associate Oil & Gas engineer for permit approval, UIC and aquifer exemption review, and served as a trainer in several technical applications. Prior to working with regulators, he worked with as a petroleum engineer for 15 years and taught at West Virginia University for an additional 6 years.

**Location:**

The course will be held in Room 355 of Science Building II at CSUB. For access, please use the Camino Media entrance behind Edwards Cinema and park at car parks H or I (fee required). The class is on the third floor of the Science II building which is about 300-400 yards into the campus.



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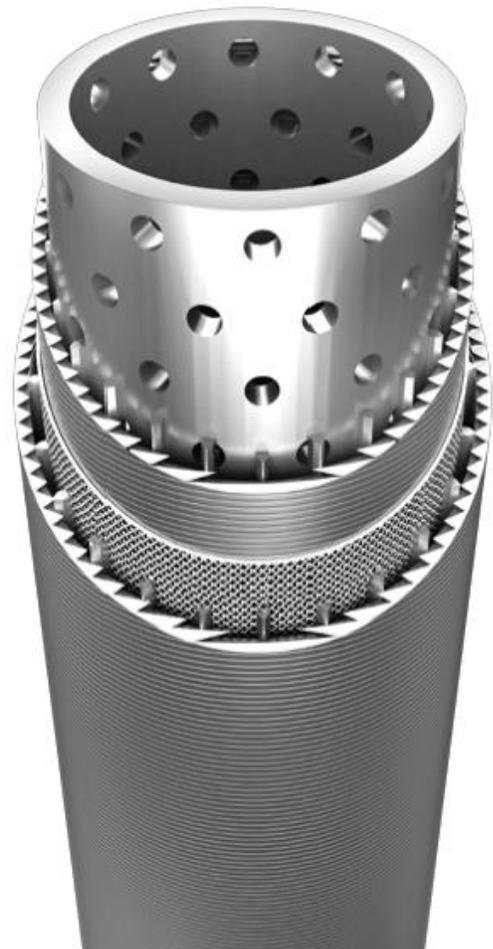
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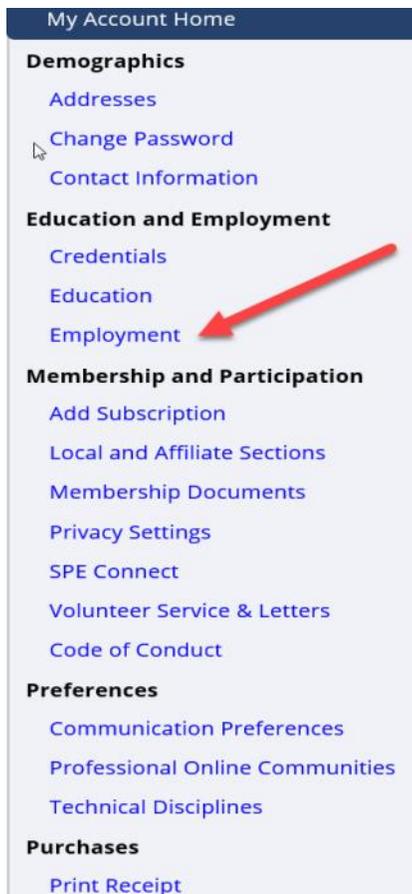
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