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Dear SJV SPE Members,

A quick reminder that the SPE SJV section will be participating in the 2nd annual Kern County Career Expo. The event will be held on February 28th from 4:30 to 7:30PM at the Rabobank Arena & Convention Center. This event is FREE for any employers and I recommend all employers of Kern County to check out the website (LINK) and consider being part of the event. If you have any questions about the event please contact Tarang Lal, SPE-Community Outreach Chair.

We need willing volunteers to help us with planning, logistics, and execution of the upcoming SPE golf tournament. Whether you are an experienced golfer or not, everyone’s help will be needed to make a successful event that will benefit our local students in the San Joaquin Valley. All proceeds from golf tournament are used for student scholarship program. We appreciate your support!

Some calendar/action items for you to consider:


2) General Section Meeting – 2/21/2019 “Field Surveillance and AI based Steam Allocation Optimization Workflow for Mature Brownfield Steam Floods” by Dr. Jim Erdle, VP CMG

2) Nominations for regional awards
   a. info on technical awards  https://www.spe.org/awards/technical.php
   b. How to prepare nomination - https://www.spe.org/awards/how-to-prepare-effective-award-nomination.php
   c. To Nominate Deadline is March 1


4) 2019 WRM at San Jose, CA (Silicon Valley) ~ WRM 2019 Thriving Through Change

5) SJV SPE Scholarships Deadline in April http://sjv.spe.org/aboutus/scholarships

6) Training Courses
   b. Steam Solvent and Electromagnetic Heating Analysis 4/16-4/17
   c. An Introduction to California Oil Industry Legislation and Regulations 6/3-6/4

7) Volunteers to serve on the board – have some vacancies coming up, if interested, nomination forms will be in April’s newsletter, elections in May for 2019-2020 Board. If you see a SJV SPE Board member – THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE!
Field Surveillance and AI based Steam Allocation Optimization Workflow for Mature Brownfield Steam Floods

Thursday, February 21, 2019 @ 11:30 AM

Petroleum Club 12th Floor – 5060 California Avenue, Bakersfield

Speaker: Dr. Jim Erdle, VP CMG

Reservations: RSVP by February 15th to avoid walk-in payments

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Or Email Tom Hampton at thampton@sentinelpeakresources.com

Abstract

The proposed steam flood optimization workflow incorporates field surveillance data and numerical simulation, driven by machine learning and AI enabled Algorithms, to predict future steam flood reservoir performance and maximize NPV for the reservoir. The process intelligently determines an optimal current field level and well level injection rates, how long to inject at that rate, how fast to reduce rates on mature wells so that it can be reallocated to newly developed regions of the field. A case study has been performed on a subsection of a Middle Eastern reservoir containing eight vertical injectors and four sets of horizontal producers with laterals landed in multiple reservoir zones. Following just the steam reallocation optimization process, NPV for the section improved by 42.4% with corresponding decrease in cumulative SOR by 24%. However, if workover and alternate wellbore design is considered in the optimization process, the NPV for the section has the potential to be improved by 94.7% with a corresponding decrease in cumulative SOR by 32%. This workflow can be extended and applied to a full field steam injection project.

Biography

Dr. Erdle is CMG’s Vice President for software sales and support for the USA and Latin American. He has 44 years of industry experience, primarily in reservoir and production engineering-related positions within the services and software segments of the E&P industry, since graduating from Penn State with BS and PhD degrees in Petroleum Engineering in ‘71 and ‘74. Early in his career Jim was involved with some of the industry’s leading advances in well testing design, monitoring and interpretation technology, including Closed Chamber and Surface Pressure Readout (SPRO) Drill Stem Testing, production enhancement via NODAL analysis, stimulation treatment design & monitoring techniques, and production surveillance software (The Production Analyst, which was the predecessor to OFM).

Jim joined CMG in May of 1997 and by October of that year had opened CMG’s USA office in Houston. Since then he has been responsible for expanding CMG business in the USA, in the GCC countries of the Middle East (2003-2008), and since being promoted to Vice President in June of 2008, in South/Latin America. Jim has been directly involved in improvements to CMG’s technology, including the workflows available within CMG’s products used to build, run and analyze dynamic reservoir simulation models of Unconventional (Shale/Tight) Gas and Liquids-rich reservoirs.

Jim has co-authored several recent SPE papers on the subject of modelling unconventional wells (SPE #’s 125530, 125532, 175122, 180209, 180974), and is the author of Chapter 8 (Application of Numerical Models) in SPEE Monograph # 4 “Estimating Ultimate Recovery of Developed Wells in Low-Permeability Reservoirs” (2016).

E-mail: jim.erdle@cmgl.ca
What Is Automation? What Can It Do For Me? Is it Worth the Investment?

Dinner on Tuesday, February 12, 2019

The Eagles Lodge, 1718 17th Street, Downtown Bakersfield

Speaker: Mr. Bob Summers

Reservations: RSVP by noon on Monday, February 11th, 2018

Cost: $30 Members, $35 Non-Members, Students for Free - Must RSVP

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Email or Phone Call to Rod Guice at: william.guice@crc.com or 661-335-1915

Abstract

Automation in the oil and gas industry takes many forms. Early renditions included pneumatic controls, evolving to process electrical relay controls and then electronic gas measurement. The introduction of microprocessors and affordable programmable logic controllers, instrumentation and well controllers introduced the next generation. New technology includes cloud computing, edge devices, Industrial Internet of Things and Big Data. How are oilfields using this technology to monitor and enhance production, protect the environment, and protect the bottom line? This discussion will focus on the benefits seen in automating one of the largest producing fields in the country. Topics covered will include: cost, challenges, culture, cyber security, and lessons learned.

Biography

Mr. Summers is the Automation Manager for California Resources Corporation. He has 39 years of industry experience in drilling, construction, operations, information technology and maintenance. He began his career in Oklahoma’s Anadarko basin on a pipeline maintenance and construction crew while attending Oklahoma State University. Following college, he moved to deep-hole drilling during the boom years of the early 80s. His career includes supervising cementing and stimulation activities for Dowell Schlumberger; drilling, operations, and maintenance for Cities Service/Oxy in the Hugoton field, and the last 19 years have been spent working with the electrical and automation systems at CRC’s flagship Elk Hills field.

Dinner: Includes New York Steak, Baked Potato, Beans, Salad, and Rolls. The dinner line opens at 6:00pm; The Eagles will serve your steak hot, right off of the grill, cooked to your order (the Eagles have a great reputation for steaks)! Chicken or Vegetarian Lasagna are also available; If you don’t want Steak, you must email william.guice@crc.com or call 661-335-1915, and state your entrée preference at least 24 hours before the event.

Drinks: Tea, water, and coffee are provided, along with a Pony Keg of Blue Moon Beer. Other alcoholic beverages are available separately from the bar.

Attendees with Email/Phone RSVP’s must pay at the door. Credit cards, checks, and cash are accepted at the door. RSVP no-shows may be billed.
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Here is the link: Nominate someone to be a Distinguished Lecturer. »

The form itself: Online Nomination Form
The Golden Gate Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers invites the submission of proposals for papers to be presented at the 2019 SPE Western North America Regional Meeting. The meeting will provide an opportunity for operators, suppliers, contractors, and technology and service company personnel to network and share ideas, innovative solutions and information about optimizing operations and economics. Proposals are sought for papers sharing fundamental/applied research, technical innovations, practical applications, case histories and lessons learned. Topics of interest include but are not limited to:

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  - The Digital Oilfield and Utilization of Big Data

- **Drilling**
  - Well Interventions
  - Coiled Tubing Drilling

- **Completions**
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  - Regulatory Compliance in a Changing World
  - Fracture Gradient Compliance in California
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- **Management and Information**
  - Risk Assessment and Mitigation
  - The Digital Oilfield and Utilization of Big Data

- **Projects, Facilities and Construction**
  - Water Treatment, Beneficial Use, Recycle, Disposal Options
  - Mature Field Optimization & Operations
  - Pipeline Operations and Maintenance
  - Steam Generation and Injection

- **Reservoir Description and Dynamics**
  - Reservoir characterization using static and dynamic data
  - Modelling Excellence: Reservoir performance and monitoring
  - Low Salinity Water Flooding

- **General Topics**
  - Unconventional Resources
  - Geothermal Resources and Operations
  - Case Histories / Lessons Learned
  - Technology: Innovations, Trials, and Implementations

[Link to 2019 WRM]
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 5th March).

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


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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).

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A laptop with Theta Software’s rod pump optimization tools will be required for the course; please contact gwynnmali@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: 16-17th, April 2019 (Register by 29th March)
Where: University of Phoenix, 4900 California Ave, 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 16th-17th 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 29th March.

Course registration link: Online Payment
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. 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).

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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

Dear SJV SPE Members,

The SPE is pleased to announce an Introduction to California Oil Industry Legislation and Regulations course in Bakersfield on the 3rd-4th 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 30th April, but registration is encouraged sooner as this is expected to be a popular course.

Course registration link: Online Payment

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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).

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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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Advertise with us and reach out to hundreds of oil and gas local professionals in Kern County.

Monthly newsletter and website advertisement:

Your advertisement will be placed in the monthly newsletter and our website. [Online Payment Link]. See the rates next page.

Technical meetings sponsorship:

Your business name will be included in our email blasts, newsletter and a brief introduction before the technical event. [Online Payment Link]. See the rates next page.

Networking events sponsorship:

Your business name will be included in our email blasts and the newsletter. You also have the chance to advertise your business in the networking event.
Advertising Order Form for the Monthly Newsletter  
San Joaquin Valley Section of Society of Petroleum Engineers SJV Section of SPE  
PO BOX 21135, Bakersfield, CA 93390 sjv.spe.org Taxpayer ID# 75-2001539

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