

PEOPLE

Robert J. Banks, SPE, was named Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Swift Energy. Before this appointment, he was Vice President–International Operations and Strategic Ventures of Swift Energy. Banks earned a BS degree from Pennsylvania State University.

Steve Gangelhoff, SPE, was named Senior Vice President of Marketing for Northern Offshore. Before this appointment, he was Vice President Sales and Contracts for Global Santa Fe. Gangelhoff was responsible for Gulf of Mexico deepwater and shelf marketing and contracting, and was Vice President Business Development worldwide.



William R. Granberry, SPE, was elected to the board of directors for Legacy Reserves. He is a member of the board of directors of The Williams Companies and is a member of Compass Operating. Granberry earned BS and MS degrees in petroleum engineering from the University of Texas at Austin.

Russ Krauss, SPE, was named Vice President of Marketing for Object Reservoir. Before this appointment, he was Vice

President of Marketing at Knowledge Reservoir. Krauss earned a BA degree in geology from Boston University and an MBA degree from the University of Houston.



Scott G. Hagemann, SPE, was named Reservoir Engineering Manager for Teton Energy. Before this appointment, he was General Manager and Director of the Greater Natural Buttes asset in north-eastern Utah for Anadarko. Hagemann earned an MBA degree from the University of Colorado and a BS degree in petroleum engineering from Colorado School of Mines.



Howard Lam, SPE, was named Manager of Operations for Ryder Scott Canada. Before this appointment, he was Managing Senior Vice President for Ryder Scott. Lam earned a BE degree in chemical engineering from McGill University and an MAS degree in chemical engineering from the University of British Columbia.

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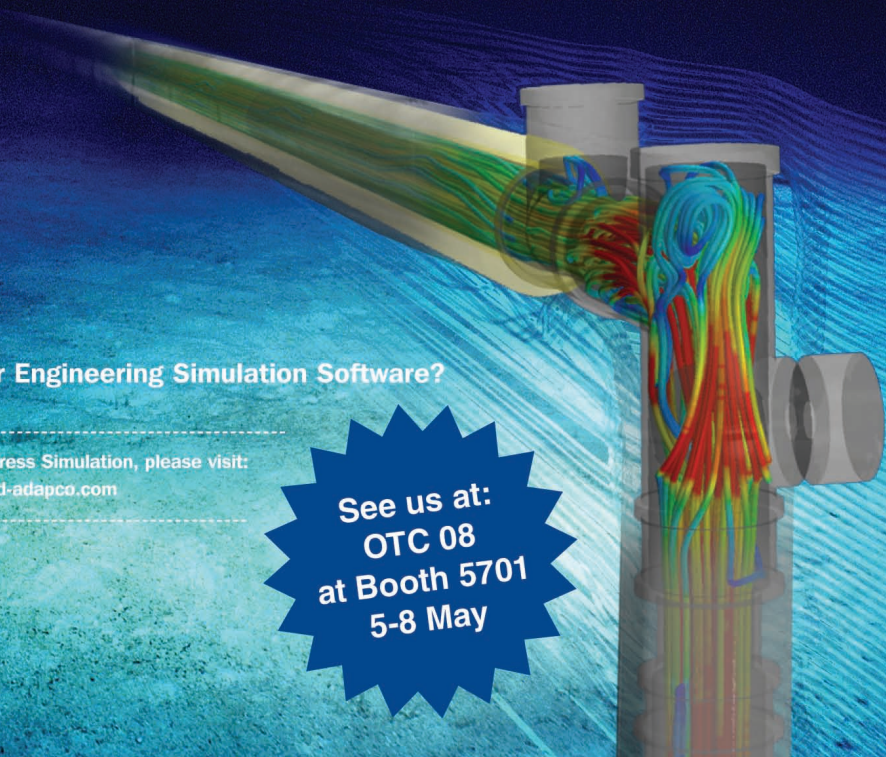
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Jim Renfro, SPE, was named Group Executive Director for John Wood Group. Before this appointment, he was Senior Vice President, Strategy for Halliburton. While at Halliburton, Renfro led the Production, Optimization, and Fluids divisions and served in a number of roles at Otis Engineering.



Tony Thomas, SPE, was named one of 14 New Faces of Engineering for Engineers Week 2008. A senior reservoir engineer at Schlumberger, he studies subsurface geology to maximize extraction of oil and natural-gas supplies. Thomas is editor of SPE's *The Way Ahead* magazine and received the SPE Young Member Outstanding Service Award in 2007. He earned a B. Tech. degree in petroleum engineering from Indian School of Mines and an MS degree in petroleum engineering from Heriot-Watt University.



R. William Thornton, SPE, was named President and COO of MegaWest. Before this appointment, he was General Manager of Petroleum Engineering for Western Oil Sands. Thornton earned a BS degree in chemical engineering from the University of Alberta and an ME degree in petroleum reservoir engineering from the University of Calgary.



Yannis Yortsos, SPE, was elected a member of the National Academy of Engineering for contributing to fundamental advances in fluid flow, transport, and reactions in porous media applied to the recovery of subsurface resources. He is Dean of the University of Southern California Viterbi School of Engineering and serves as a senior technical editor of the SPE Editorial Review Committee. Yortsos earned a diploma in chemical engineering from the National Technical University and MS and PhD degrees in chemical engineering from the California Institute of Technology.

MEMBER DEATHS

- Marion F. Bearly**, Centralia, Illinois
- James G. Burton**, Kilgore, Texas
- Donald D. Engle**, Kerrville, Texas
- Thomas D. Mueller**, Orinda, California
- Robert F. Plank**, Midland, Texas
- Robert P. Ridley**, Nevada City, California
- Norman A. Sax**, Midland, Texas
- Billy F. Slabaugh**, Duncan, Oklahoma
- Edward J. Veazey**, Tulsa
- Lester Wilkinson**, Greenwood Village, Colorado

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