

PEOPLE



Lee K. Boothby, SPE, was named President of Newfield. Before this appointment, he was Senior Vice President–Acquisitions and Business Development of Newfield. Boothby earned a degree in petroleum engineering from Louisiana State University and an MBA degree from Rice University.



Gabrielle Guerre, SPE, a reservoir engineer with ExxonMobil, was named one of the “New Faces of Engineering” by the US National Engineers Week Foundation. Guerre, who works in Houston, manages a waterflood and steamflood project in California. Guerre was also named SPE Gulf Coast Section 2009 Young Engineer of the Year. She

earned a BS degree in mechanical engineering from Kansas State University.



David Liddle, SPE, was named Operations Director of ITF. Before this appointment, he was Technology Manager for ITF. Liddle has more than 30 years of experience in the design, manufacture, development, and marketing of high-technology products for the oil and gas industry.



Stephen R. Mut, SPE, was appointed to the Board of Directors of Dejour Enterprises. Before this appointment, he was Chief Executive Officer of the Shell Unconventional Resources unit of Shell Exploration and Production. Mut earned BS and MS degrees in environmental engineering from Rice University.



Anoop Poddar, SPE, was named partner for Energy Ventures. He joined Energy Ventures in January 2008 as an Investment Manager. Poddar earned an MBA degree from Harvard Business School.



Wayne E. Glenn, who served as SPE President in 1960, died 10 February 2009.

Glenn began his oil career in 1940, when he joined Continental Oil Company as a field roustabout. He retired in 1977 as Vice Chairperson of the Board of Directors in charge of Worldwide Exploration, Production, and Mineral Development for Conoco. At Conoco, Glenn mentored a team that transformed Conoco from a regional independent to a major integrated and international oil company. His research team at Conoco designed and patented the first tension-leg deepwater drilling and production platform, now used throughout the world. After Glenn retired from Conoco, he formed and ran Wayne E. Glenn & Associates, an independent oil and gas company.

During Glenn's term as SPE President, several significant programs were begun, including the Distinguished Lecturer Program and the creation of SPE's first technical journal, *SPE Journal*. In 1969, Glenn was the first Chairperson of the Executive Committee for the Offshore Technology Conference. In 1972, he was awarded the SPE DeGolyer Distinguished Service Medal. Later, he was recognized as an SPE Honorary Member in 1979 and an SPE Distinguished Member in 1983. Glenn was an SPE Distinguished Lecturer during 1971–72. Due to his continuous membership with SPE, he was recognized as a 25-Year Club Member in 1965, a Senior Member in 1980, and a Legion of Honor Member in 1989, which is given

to a member with 50 years of continuous membership in SPE.

Glenn was also involved in numerous SPE committees. He was a Foundation Trustee on the Foundation Trustees Committee, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee during 1960–61, a member of the Nominating Committee during 1964–65, a member of the Anthony F. Lucas Gold Medal Committee during 1964–68 and during 1973–74, a member of the Public Service Award Committee during 1986–88, and Chairperson of the Public Service Award Committee during 1988–89.

Glenn also served as 1974 President of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers (AIME). He was a member of the Board of Directors for the American Petroleum Institute, the Mid Continent Oil and Gas Association, and the Texas Mid Continent Oil and Gas Association. Glenn was awarded the 2002 AIME Distinguished Service Award, the 1973 Chief Roughneck Award from Independent Petroleum Association of America, was the first recipient of the Distinguished Service Award given by the Petroleum Society of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, and the John Rogers Award from the Southwest Legal Foundation. He received multiple Distinguished Alumni Awards from the University of Texas at Arlington and the University of Oklahoma.

Glenn earned a BS degree in petroleum engineering from the University of Oklahoma in 1940. He also attended the Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program in 1957 and held an honorary PhD degree from the Montana School of Mines.



Douglas W. Smith, SPE, joined the corporate sales team of Knight. He has worked as a sales manager for other fishing and rental tools companies and has been in the oil and gas industry for more than 30 years. Smith earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Houston.



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both in petroleum engineering. **Frank Molyneaux**, SPE, is Past President. He is Senior Petroleum Engineer for Scotia Capital. Molyneaux earned a degree in mining engineering from the Technical University of Nova Scotia and a diploma in engineering from the University of Prince Edward Island. **Barry Ashton**, SPE, was named Secretary/Treasurer. He is Chief Operating Officer of AJM Petroleum Consultants. Ashton earned a BS degree in chemical engineering from the University of Alberta.



Sudhir Vasudeva, SPE, was named Offshore Director of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC). He joined ONGC as an executive trainee. Vasudeva is a chemical engineer and a management graduate.



Ashton

The Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers announced a new executive committee. **David K. Gold**, SPE, was named President. He is a reservoir development engineer for Aera Energy. Gold earned BS and MS degrees in petroleum engineering from Texas A&M University. **Stuart Filler**, SPE, was named Vice President. He is Commercial Evaluation Supervisor for Devon Energy. Filler earned a BS degree from Texas A&M University and an MS degree from the University of Houston–University Park,

both in petroleum engineering. **Frank Molyneaux**, SPE, is Past President. He is Senior Petroleum Engineer for Scotia Capital. Molyneaux earned a degree in mining engineering from the Technical University of Nova Scotia and a diploma in engineering from the University of Prince Edward Island. **Barry Ashton**, SPE, was named Secretary/Treasurer. He is Chief Operating Officer of AJM Petroleum Consultants. Ashton earned a BS degree in chemical engineering from the University of Alberta.

MEMBER DEATHS

- Roy E. Anderson**, Cypress, Texas
- Richard A. Hicks**, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Thomas C. Moore**, Waynesboro, Mississippi
- Marion D. Olive**, Cheyenne, Wyoming
- Steven E. Oxford**, Wheat Ridge, Colorado
- Walter D. Rose**, Champaign, Illinois
- John D. Scorer**, Gerrards Cross, UK
- Howard W. Swaim**, Houston



Paul Chiran, President of PicOil Info Consult Campina, Romania, and recipient of an SPE Regional Service Award in 2001, died 4 February 2009.

Chiran began his career in the oil and gas industry in 1952 as a production and secondary recovery engineer at the Oil Production Department of Moinesti field in

Romania. In 1953, he began working at the Institute for Research and Technology (ICPT) Campina, Romania. Chiran held numerous positions such as research petroleum engineer during 1953–56, Head of Physics and Mechanics Laboratory during 1956–60, Head of Reservoir Engineering and Oil Recovery Section during 1960–66, Head of Well Completion, Stimulation, and Production Practice Section in 1966, and Director of Research during 1966–75 where he was responsible for the management of the entire research activity of the institute.

From 1975 to 1982, Chiran worked in Ankara, Turkey, as Team Leader of a project within the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) for the establishment of a petroleum development center in Ankara. Chiran worked on assignments in Burma, Egypt, Peru, Jordan, Libya, and Turkey with UNDP. He also participated in various activities linked with reservoir engineering and research in the former USSR, former Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria, France, Libya, and the US. In 1983, he returned

to ICPT Campina as Head of the Department for Reservoir Engineering and Improved Oil Recovery (IOR) Methods in the petroleum industry. He managed all the activities in the field of reservoir engineering and IOR methods during 1983–90. He was also responsible for all studies of feasibility, and follow-up of application of IOR in Romania. In 1990, he worked for ICPT Campina as Director of IOR Program in Romania. From 1994 to 1996, he was a petroleum private adviser in the field of reservoir management. From 1994 to the present, he was President of PicOil Info Consult Campina.

Chiran's interest was mainly with reservoir engineering and enhanced-oil-recovery techniques. Chiran carried out studies and research on formation evaluation, well testing, water flooding, gas injection, miscible flooding, thermal recovery, classical and modern reservoir engineering methods, reports on oil and gas reserves, secondary recovery, and related studies for Romanian and foreign oilfields.

An SPE member since 1977, Chiran received a Regional Service Award and was recognized as a 25-Year Club Member in 2001. He was also a member of the Romanian Government's Consultative College for Applied Research and Technology–Ministry of Research and Technology, and the Association of Former International UN Civil Servants.

In 1952, he earned a diploma in petroleum engineering from the Oil and Gas University in Bucharest, Romania.