

GO-WV names new officers and directors

Jeff Isner has been elected as 2023-2024 President of the Gas and Oil Association of WV, Inc. (GO-WV). He will be joined by Vice President Jim Crews, Secretary Jason Harshbarger, Treasurer Kelly Moss and Immediate Past President Maribeth Anderson.

In addition, other voting members of the board of directors include: John Bane, EQT; Craig Colombo, Hope Gas; Scott Freshwater, Reserve Oil & Gas; Stephen Furbacher, Williams; Brett Loflin, Northeast Natural Energy; Doug Malcolm, D. C. Malcom, Inc.; Ben Sullivan, Diversified Energy; Aaron Thompson, TC Energy; Chris Weikle, Southwestern Energy; and Marlin Witt, Baker Tilly, US, LLP.

Jeff Isner is the CEO and co-founder of Pillar Energy, LLC located in Charleston, WV. Pillar Energy owns and operates roughly 1800 wells

in WV, VA and OH and has 30 employees.

He received his B.S. in Economics and International Business from West Virginia Wesleyan College as well as his MBA.

He previously served on the IOGA board for 2 terms from 2014-2017 and 2018-the merger of the two associations. He co-chaired the initial Producer Issues Committee as well as chaired the Communication and Education Committee. As chair of the Communication and Education Committee, he introduced IOGA's inaugural WV Science Teacher Conference planned in the summer of 2018. He currently serves as the **2023-2024 officers**

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*Jeff Isner
President*

Crews named WV O & G Person of the Year

Jim Crews has been named the 2023 West Virginia Oil and Gas Person of the Year by the West Virginia Oil & Gas Festival board.

In addition to being recognized during a luncheon on Saturday, September 16, Crews will serve as grand marshal of the traditional festival parade that afternoon.

The 55th annual West Virginia Oil & Gas Festival will take place September 14-16 in Sistersville. Attractions include oil and gas exhibits, entertainment, craft booths, demonstrating crafts-people and games.

Jim Crews has been Vice President of Northeast Business Development for MPLX since 2011. Previously, he held various positions with Ni-Source Gas Transmission and Storage-NGT&S (and its predecessor Columbia Gas Transmission) from 1995 to 2011. From 1982 to 1985 he worked at Cabot Oil and Gas' drilling and production division in Charleston, W. Va. In 1985 he

served as a field service engineer for Babcock and Wilcox Nuclear Power in Lynchburg, Va. From 1987 to 1995 he worked in engineering, storage and planning for Washington Gas Light Company in Washington D.C.



He is vice president of GO-WV and is a past president of WVONGA. Crews received a bachelor's degree in Petroleum Engineering from WVU and is a registered professional mechanical engineer in Virginia and Ohio.

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The strength of GO-WV

I am writing this article with the anticipation and excitement of our Summer Meeting at the front of my thoughts. It's incredible to think that we are on our second request for larger room blocks and have close to 430 individuals registered to attend the event as of this writing. With many associations struggling to retain membership and conduct fruitful gatherings, GO-WV has maintained upward trends in both since I have been on the board. Financially, we are strong. Our committees are growing in number with shout outs to our Safety Committee and the number of attendees they receive at their meetings. What makes and will continue to make the association strong is the active participation of our members. When called, you answer. This is evident by the remarkable slate of officers and committee chairs we have for the upcoming year:

President	Jeff Isner, Pillar Energy
Vice President	Jim Crews, MPLX
Treasurer	Kelly Moss, Apex Pipeline
Secretary	Jason Harshbarger, BHE GT&S
Immediate Past President	Maribeth Anderson, Antero Resources
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Insurance	Sam McKown, McKown Assoc. NR
Governmental Relations	Brett Loflin, NNE
Environmental & Safety	Chris Weikle, SWN
Legal	Ben Sullivan, DGO
Investment	Craig Colombo, Hope Gas Doug Malcolm, DC Malcolm
Tax	Marlin Witt, Baker Tilly
Membership	Stephen Furbacher, Williams

As I start my presidency at GO-WV, I would be remiss not to thank all the people who have gotten the association to this point. And there are many more than I intend to list who have been instrumental in creating a new, merged association that is thriving. Charlie, Lori, Katie and Jordan are at the forefront of my thanks but others such as Ben Sullivan, Tom Westfall and Maribeth Anderson should be thanked for their leadership as the initial presidents of the association. Others such as Marc Halbritter, Lloyd Jackson, Ben Hardesty, Don Nestor and George Patterson have provided guidance to create an association that boasts over 500 member companies that support tens of thousands of jobs in our state and region. To all of you and the many others that make this association strong, thank you.

It's humbling to follow in their footsteps but I am excited to build upon the strength of the association and where we are going.



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Register now for the fun of Sports Weekend

Register now to join the fun at the 2023 GO-WV Sports Weekend beginning on Friday, September 15, at Bridgeport Country Club.

Activities begin at 8:00 a.m. with registration and breakfast at Bridgeport Country Club.

The four-person scramble golf tournament features a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. at the Bridgeport Country Club course. The foursome fee, including registration, is \$700 for members and \$900 for nonmembers. Hole sponsorships are available for \$1,000 which includes registration and foursome fee, signage at your hole and your logo on gowv.com and in *GO-WV News*.

Sporting clay arrangements have been made at "A Mountain Clays," 1900 Meadowbrook Road, Bridgeport, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Your \$175 per person fee includes registration and 100 rounds of sporting clays. Please call Lori Miller Smith directly at (304) 344-9867 if you have question.

Lunch will be served following golf and sporting clays back at the Bridgeport Country Club. Skill prizes will be awarded to the golfers and shooters, plus door prizes galore for all to win!

Come join us on Saturday, September 16, and cheer on the Mountaineers in the "Backyard Brawl" at 7:30 p.m. against Pitt. GO-WV will **not** have tickets to the game; you need to make your own arrangements for tickets. We hope to see you at the tailgate party hosted by Bowles Rice two hours prior to kickoff.

GO-WV's Sports Weekend attracts the main players and decision makers in our industry in a setting that allows the participants to mix, mingle and network. As an industry leader, you recognize the importance of supporting GO-WV, and the benefits of promoting your company's image. Make plans to attend this fun event and get even more recognition as a sponsor.

We offer several levels of sponsorship to meet your goals. Select your sponsorship level and register your team, or register your team if you're unable to sponsor. [Click here to sponsor and/or register](#), both closing soon.

- Diamond Event Sponsor (\$5,500) includes foursome fee, banner at event, logo on signage, on web site and in GO-WV News. The sponsorship can support one of these options: registration and player gift; breakfast; lunch; snack and beverage cart; door prizes; player awards; or entertainment.
 - Hole Sponsor (\$1,000) includes foursome fee, logo on signage at hole, on web site and in GO-WV News. You can request a specific hole number, based on availability.
 - Bronze Sponsor (\$500) includes logo on signage, on web site and in GO-WV News.
- Non-sponsor registration options include:
- Member registration only (does not include golf) \$100.00
 - Nonmember registration fee (does not include golf) \$170.00
 - Single member golf (includes registration) \$200.00
 - Single nonmember golf (includes registration) \$270.00
 - Member golf foursome (includes registration) \$700.00
 - Nonmember golf foursome (includes registration) \$900.00

A block of rooms has been reserved at Courtyard by Marriott Bridgeport/Clarksburg for Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at a rate of \$95 (plus tax) per room per night. To make reservations by Sunday, August 13, call (304) 933-8051 or [book online](#).

GOpac reminds everyone that this is one of only two major fundraisers dedicated to support our industry's state legislative lobbying efforts. To that end, you are strongly encouraged to take the opportunity to contribute to GOpac, which funds our legislative outreach. Other than cash, contributions to GOpac must be made by personal check only. GOpac is a separate and distinct entity from GO-WV.



From the Burd's Nest: Tag, you're "IT"...

At the recent GO-WV 2023 Summer Meeting, Governor Jim Justice was the opening speaker at the Tuesday, August 15 Business Session. By his own admission, no Governor has ever loved the people of his State, nor had a greater desire to do the right thing for those people than himself. Also, again by his own admission, he proudly professes to NOT be a politician, but well...he kind of is!

The Governor praised our industry and its importance to the state and nation. In fact, he asked us to remember the game “tag” that we played as children and how that game worked. We know the game...several players all trying to avoid being toughed or “tagged” by the player that is “it” (the tagger). Once touched, the player’s roles change and the player tagged now becomes “it” and the game continues. The tagger possesses the power continue play.

Well Governor Justice made it clear, that in West Virginia, the natural gas and oil industry is the “it” in the business and industry playground. He quickly pointed out the possibilities we bring to the table with the development of the hydrogen, and recent court rulings that cleared the pathway to finish a pipeline (MVP) that together with other projects and investments, will allow the state to advance and America to regain its energy independence. And energy independence directly equates to enhanced national security. He went on to mention the unfortunate political divide in America that, he believes, comes from not talking about the issues and respecting each other’s opinions.

But the Governor was very direct in this statement, “Your industry is the future for all of us, say what you want, but it’s the future for all of us.” GO-WV gladly accepts that compliment as the true reality. Additionally, he pointed out “that anybody on the planet that believes that gas, CLEAN GAS, is not the way of our future and has got to be at the table all the time, ALL THE TIME”, are

the same people that would condemn our industry and profess to eliminate all fossil fuels—as early as tomorrow if they could!! And this thought process is dangerous to our way of life, dangerous to our great country, and our national security.

In closing, the Governor suggested we “not drop our guard” but stay vigilant and do what others have successfully done which is to tell our story and promote ourselves as honestly, as clearly, and as often as possible at the state and national level.

Taking a page from the Governor’s playbook, we have placed our latest “2023 Gas Facts” on pages 22 and 23. In summary, our latest production amount, tax contributions, and employment numbers very much do merit being shouted from the mountain tops:

- 2022 Total natural gas production
1.845 Trillion Cubic Feet
- 2022 Total oil production
15 Million barrels
- 2023 Severance tax contributions
\$713.8 Million
- 2023 Property tax contributions
\$184.7 Million
- 2022 Employment and wages
 - Nearly 18,000 direct jobs
 - Average annual wage of \$93,739
 - When considering indirect jobs associated with supply chain and vendor partners, the 18,000 number is easily doubled.
 - In fact, a study by accounting giants Price WaterhouseCoopers found the industry supported more than 73,000 jobs and contributed nearly \$13 billion to the state’s economy in 2021 alone.

So here we are, an industry that contributed an amazing 71% of the \$1.06 Billion dollars of total severance tax collections and more than twice as much in property tax contributions than in 2022.

Yes...natural gas and oil...tag, we are “IT” and no “tag-backs!”



GO-WV Board welcomes nine new members in August

Please join the GO-WV Board of Directors in welcoming these members approved in August:

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EPA acts to usurp State's standards for stream impairment classification



The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has taken rare action in proposing to not only supersede the role of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (WVDEP) in addressing water quality conditions in the state, but also seeking to impose a new standard for determining how to classify the biological health of West Virginia waters. Under Section 303(d) of the federal Clean Water Act, state governments are required to identify, every three years, waters within their borders that do not meet designated water quality standards. Such waters are deemed “impaired” for the water quality standards exceeded and are placed on what is known as a “303(d) List.” That list must include waters that fail to

meet numeric water quality standards – i.e., specific concentrations of iron, aluminum, and other substances. Waters can also be “impaired” for failure to comply with “narrative” water quality standards – i.e., narrative descriptions of certain prohibited conditions, such as distinctly visible foam, sludge deposits, foul odors, or discoloration. West Virginia’s narrative standards also provide that waters can be considered “biologically impaired” if they contain “materials in concentrations which are harmful, hazardous, or toxic to man, animal or aquatic life.”

When a stream is placed on the 303(d) List, it is put in line for the development of a pollution reduction plan (known as a “total maximum daily load” or “TMDL”). Among other things, a TMDL results in more restrictive permit limits for dis-

EPA usurps State

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Industry proponent and Wheeling media giant passes in August

George Ogden Nutting, 87, of Wheeling, WV, passed away in late August.

He was born Oct. 21, 1935 in Washington, D.C., he attended high school at St. Albans School in Washington, D.C., and graduated with honors from Williams College.

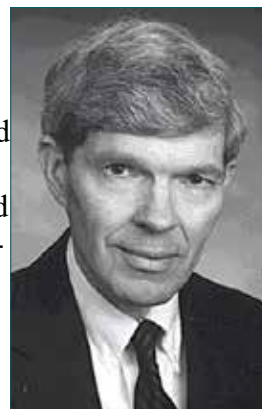
Nutting worked for more than 60 years at his private and family-owned Ogden Newspapers Inc., serving in various roles including publisher, general manager and president.

He served on the boards of numerous community, statewide and national organizations with particular interest in West Virginia University and Bethany College, both of which presented him with honorary doctorate degrees and other recognition.

In 2013, he was inducted into the Wheeling Hall of Fame, received the Distinguished West Virginian Award in 2005, highest honors from the WV Press Association and Southern Newspaper Publishers Association and WVU's Order of Vandalia.

He was active in ensuring the Pirates stayed in Pittsburgh and development of PNC Park.

Nutting also served in the West Virginia National Guard, where he attained the rank of staff sergeant. He is survived by his wife and family.



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How is your thinking?

The late speaker, author and radio personality Earl Nightingale said, *"We become what we think about. If you think in negative terms you will get negative results. If you think in positive terms you get positive results."*

Recently Herbert Hoover High School celebrated the opening of its new school in Elkview with a ribbon cutting ceremony attended by Senators Manchin, Capito and other dignitaries. The old high school in Clendenin was destroyed by the Elk River flood of 2016. Following the ribbon cutting, the Huskies scrimmaged John Marshall high in football. The scrimmage was followed with a concert by West Virginia native Brad Paisley.

Since the flood, high school students were squeezed into Elkview Middle school with portable class rooms. It was a crowded campus. Living in Elkview we know administrators, teachers,

coaches and students from Herbert Hoover High very well. Their story of the flood and the school are much bigger than the opening of a new school.

My neighbor across the street, Jordan, graduated from Hoover prior to the flood. He graduated from Marshall prior to the current jobs boom and entered the military. Jordan and his friends played basketball in my driveway from the time they were little. He played basketball for Hoover. As a freshman, Jordan brought his teammates over to play. Half of the basketball team was in my driveway for four years. Sometimes the doorbell rang at 9:30 PM. They asked Lynnda, *"Can Mr. Kozera come out to play basketball?"* We had some intense games.

The boys all had skills and a willingness to work. What they didn't have was belief in their

Your thinking

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GO-WV News honored by state public relations chapter in August

The Gas and Oil Association of WV, Inc. (GO-WV), along with Diane Slaughter of Homestead Communications, was recognized in mid-August by the West Virginia Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA-WV) for a projects involving *GO-WV News*.

The event, which took place at the Culture Center in Charleston, recognized outstanding work in public relations from practitioners across the state.

GO-WV earned an Award of Merit in the Internal Communications category for *GO-WV News* and its use as an informative publication for members and recruitment tool for new members.



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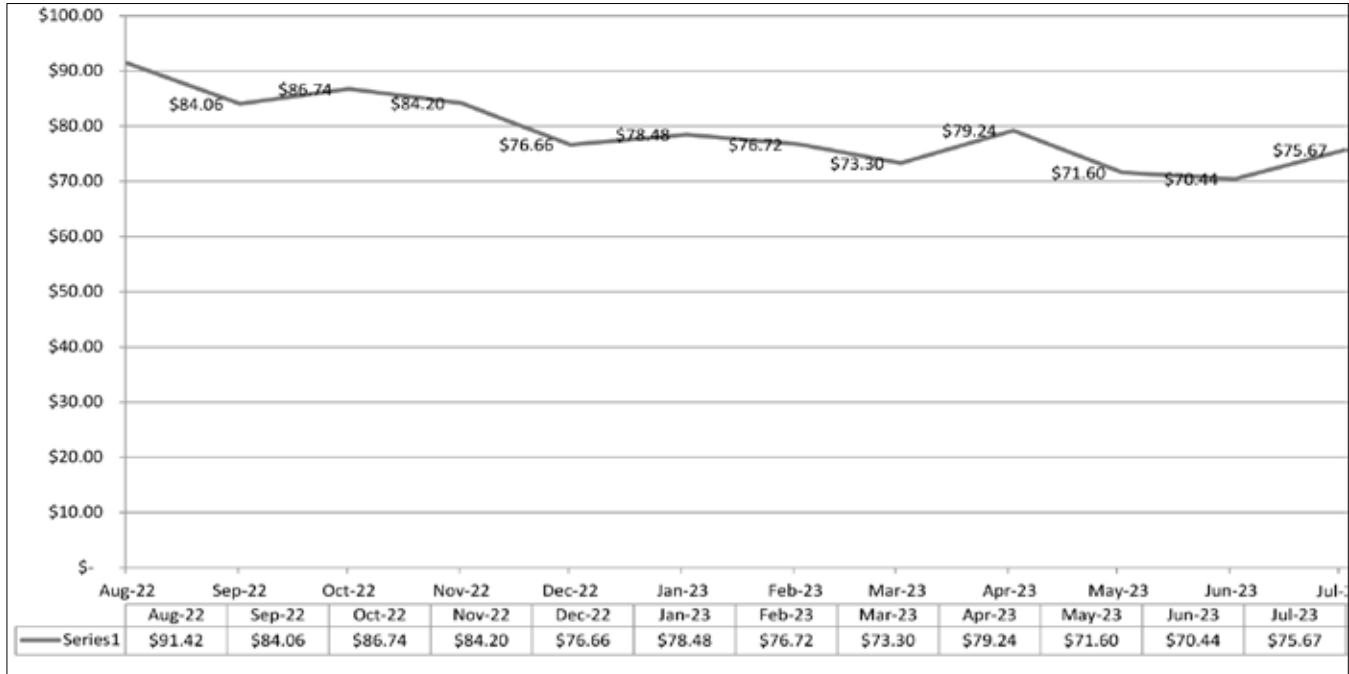
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Info: www.PIOGA.org > Events

September 14-16, 2023

WV Oil & Gas Festival
Sistersville, WV

September 15-16, 2023

GO-WV Sports Weekend
Bridgeport Country Club, Bridgeport, WV
Mountaineer Field, Morgantown, WV
Info: [WV O&G Festival](#)

September 16, 2023

WV Oil & Gas Person of the Year Luncheon
Sistersville, WV
Info: [WV O&G Festival](#)

September 18, 2023

2023 BHE GT&S Charity Golf Invitational
Pete Dye Golf Club, Bridgeport, WV

September 21, 2023

SOOGA Annual Trade Show
ESB Community Building, Marietta, OH
Info: sooga.org

October 16-18, 2023

IOGCC Annual Conference
Park City, UT
Info: iogcc.ok.gov

November 6-8, 2023

IPAA Annual Meeting
San Antonio, TX
Info: ipaa.org

November 9, 2023

WV LMOA Fall Meeting
Berry Hills Country Club, Charleston, WV
Info: wvlmoa.com

January 17-18, 2024

GO-WV Winter Meeting
Marriott Town Center Hotel, Charleston, WV



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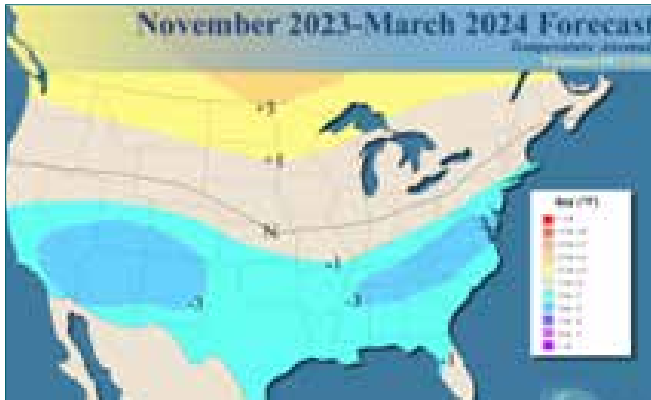
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With El Niño coming on, we are expecting a warm start to the heating season, opposite of last year. It should get colder from mid-January onward.

The greatest chances for a colder than normal heating season are in the Southwest and in parts of the Southeast. California should once again see a wetter/snowier than normal season, though northern zones could be drier.

The biggest question mark remains along the East Coast. There is a tendency for some El Niños to migrate to the central Pacific, and in those years the East Coast tends to be snowy. Please stay tuned to our Energy Services for the latest information as the situation in the Pacific evolves over the next several months.

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2023 Summer Meeting featured information, sports and fun

Over 450 members of the Gas and Oil Association of WV (GO-WV) and their guests enjoyed several days of sporting activities, entertainment

and educational sessions at the 2023 Summer Meeting at The Greenbrier in early August.



Sunday opened with the welcomes reception on Kate's Mountain, sponsored by Antero Resources, followed by dinner sponsored by Halliburton and the Josh Stewart Band sponsored by Equitrans Midstream. We were joined by several friends including, below left, Jon McEvers of Antero and his wife Erin, Riley Moore at center and WV Supreme Court Justice Haley Bunn, below right.



Our members and their guests enjoyed friendly competition at the trap and skeet tournament, sponsored by BHE GT&S, tennis tournaments, sponsored by Blue Ridge Risk Partners/Northwestern Mutual, and golf tournament, sponsored by Apex Pipeline Services, Inc. Those not participating in athletic activities had a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a painting class including lunch.

The business and educational sessions on Monday, sponsored by Diversified Energy, included a video presentations from Senator Capito and in-person presentations by Senator Manchin and Congresswoman Miller.

Jim McKinney of EnerVest Operating discussed the methane emissions reduction program. Other guest speakers Monday also included Rusty Hutson, CEO of Diversified Energy Company, Paul Ruppert, President of BHE GT&S, a Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company, Ravi Srivastava, President, New Technologies for CNX Corporation and Jerry James, President of Artex Oil Company/Shale Crescent.



Above are speaker Rusty Hutson of Diversified Energy Company, Sen. Manchin and GO-WV Vice President and Program Chair Jeff Isner of Pillar Energy. Below are Sen. Manchin and GO-WV President Maribeth Anderson of Antero Resources.



Our speakers were, top right, Congresswoman Carol Miller, below left Paul Ruppert of BHE GT&S, a Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company and below right Jerry James of Artex Oil Company/Shale Crescent.



Monday night's after dinner reception and Casino Night were sponsored by EQT.



Tuesday's industry presentations, sponsored by Diversified Energy, opened with a discussion of

GO-WV's 2023-2024 leadership and goals by outgoing President Maribeth Anderson and incoming President Jeff Isner.



Tuesday's session closed with a legislative update from GO-WV Executive Director Charlie Burd, Philip Reale of the Law Office of Philip A. Reale, PLLC and their guest panelists Senate President Craig Blair, Senator Eric Tarr, Delegate Vernon Criss and Delegate Clary Riley.

They were followed by Governor Jim Justice, below (with Baby Dog). Other guest speakers were Morgan O'Brien, President and CEO of Hope Gas, Christopher Guith with the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and Charlotte Lane, Chair of the West Virginia Public Service Commission.



Above, from left, PSC Chair Lane, GO-WV Vice President Jeff Isner, Chris Guith of the US Chamber of Commerce, Gov. Justice, GO-WV's Charlie Burd, GO-WV President Maribeth Anderson and Morgan O'Brien of Hope Gas.



Tuesday's membership reception was sponsored by Steptoe & Johnson, PLLC, with the luau dinner sponsored by Southwestern Energy, door prizes sponsored by MPLX and the spectacular fireworks show sponsored by Ergon, Inc. Jonathan and Debbie Morgan of Jay-Bee Oil & Gas enjoyed the evening.



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Thursday, September 28, 2023
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Weisberg Applied Engineering Complex Atrium

Safety Conference:

Friday September 29, 2023
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co-Vice President and Program Chair for GO-WV.

Jeff resides in Ripley, WV with his wife, Jessica, and their children, Ava, Cohen and Cason. He attends Calvary United Methodist church in Ripley.

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He is a past president of WVONGA. Crews received a bachelor's degree in Petroleum Engineering from WVU and is a registered professional mechanical engineer in Virginia and Ohio.

Jason Harshbarger is the WV & OH State Policy Director for BHE GT&S (Berkshire Hathaway Energy Gas Transmission and Storage). He also is responsible for the company's philanthropic program. Harshbarger is a 1997 graduate of Marietta College with a degree in Environmental Science and an emphasis in Petroleum Engineering. He has 25 years of experience in the energy sector and is a past member of the WV House of Delegates where he served on the a variety of committees.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors for a number of industry, business, nonprofit and civic organizations.

Harshbarger has worked in several areas of the energy sector from engineering to environmental compliance. Upon graduation, he began his career in the Gulf of Mexico performing formation evaluation and directional drilling before joining FirstEnergy in 2000. In 2005 he started his career with Dominion Energy before moving to Berkshire Hathaway Energy in 2020 due to the acquisition of the natural transmission and storage assets from Dominion Energy.

He was also selected as a member of the elite Young Guns Class of 2018 by WV Executive Magazine for his dedication to lifelong learning

and service to the State of West Virginia.

Jason and his wife Michelle live on their family farm that dates back to the mid-1800's near Pullman, WV with their daughter Mackenzie.

Kelly Moss was a founding partner in Apex Pipeline Service, Inc. in 2006 and has served as President/CEO since inception. He was previously the Secretary/Treasurer and COO for S T Pipeline, Inc. from 1996 through 2005. Prior to that time, he worked for Columbia Gas Transmission from 1994 through 1996. From 1986 to 1994, he worked for various PVF wholesalers as a salesman and sales manager and worked for Bell Mechanical as an estimator. He is active in many industry associations and is often used by industry leaders to gain a contractor's point-of-view on many issues. (Board of Directors – WVONGA 2007 to 2021, WVONGA Treasurer 2009 to 2021, GO-WV Board of Directors 2021 to present, GO-WV Treasurer 2021 to present). He graduated from South Charleston High School in 1984 and attended Marshall University from 1984 to 1987. He is married and has two children.

Maribeth Anderson is the Director of Government Relations for Antero Resources. She came to Antero at the end of 2017, after serving in similar roles for Southwestern Energy and Chesapeake Energy since 2007. Prior to entering the energy sector, Maribeth was the news director for WSAZ TV.

Maribeth has served in industry leadership roles across four states, as the former board President for the WV Oil and Natural Gas Association, the current Vice President of the Gas and Oil Association of WV (GO-WV), and a board member of the Ohio Oil and Gas Association and the Ohio Oil and Gas Energy Education Program. In former roles, she was elected to the boards of the Oil and Gas Associations in Kentucky and Virginia. She is currently on the executive committee of the WV Chamber of Commerce.

A graduate of Marshall University, Maribeth lives in Huntington with her husband and has two children in college.



charges associated with the parameters deemed to be contributing to the impairment.

For more than 20 years, the WVDEP has used the West Virginia Stream Condition Index (WVSCI) as the primary methodology for evaluating whether a stream is “biologically impaired.” Under WVSCI, a stream is considered impaired if it does not support a certain volume and diversity of insects and other aquatic life even if the stream meets all numeric water quality standards. In recent years, however, EPA has advocated for the use of a different methodology, known as the “Genus Level Index of Most Probable Stream Status” (GLIMPSS) to determine biological impairment for purposes of the 303(d) List. EPA has not, how-

ever, disapproved of the WVSCI methodology.

WVDEP submitted its most recent 303(d) List to EPA on May 5, 2023. Less than three months later, on July 19, 2023, EPA published a proposal to second-guess WVDEP’s judgment by adding 348 additional streams to WVDEP’s 303(d) List of “biologically impaired” waters. 88 *Federal Register* 46156. EPA determined these streams should be classified as impaired when evaluated using the GLIMPSS model, even though the WVDEP’s methodology (including consideration of a stream’s WVSCI score and other relevant factors) did not indicate biological impairment. EPA has never before used GLIMPSS to add a West Virginia stream to the 303(d) List.

EPA’s action is particularly noteworthy because the interpretation and enforcement of water quality standards is supposed to primarily fall to the states. In recent years, the West Virginia Legislature has even adopted legislation specifically addressing how the state’s narrative water quality standards should be interpreted, which does not include the use of EPA’s GLIMPSS methodology.

Assuming EPA follows through with its proposal, the result will be nearly 350 additional streams added to West Virginia’s 303(d) List even though WVDEP does not consider those streams impaired using the methodology previously approved by EPA. Consequently, WVDEP will have to expend resources to ascertain the reason for the “impairment” and develop TMDLs to improve the biological health of the stream to meet whatever criteria EPA may designate as a proxy for its GLIMPSS score. This also threatens to establish a precedent for EPA’s imposition of its view of other parts of the West Virginia narrative standards, all while bypassing the normal Legislative rulemaking process that applies to changes to water quality standards.

More information regarding EPA’s proposal may be found here: <https://www.epa.gov/tmdl/wv-303d-list-public-notice>. The public comment period ended on August 18, 2023.

For questions about this proposal, the federal Clean Water Act and its implementation in West Virginia, please contact Christopher B. (Kip) Power at (681) 265-1362 or cpower@babstcalland.com, or Robert M. Stonestreet at (681) 265-1364 or rstonestreet@babstcalland.com.



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capabilities. Maybe it was because it had been several years since Hoover had a winning basketball season or maybe they had negative thinking passed down from their parents. I worked on their attitude and beliefs. By senior year they believed a winning season was possible. They had a winning season and won Hoover's first basketball section championship in years. They lost in the region championship game. Those nights in the driveway paid off. The boys and their coaches did the work. Every success starts with the belief it is possible.

Since the flood, students we know at Hoover have a different attitude, one of positivity and belief. From the students and friends we know, the attitude change started with the current principal. He is a leader. People reflect the attitude of their leader. The students survived the flood. Some lost everything. Some lost family members. Some still weren't back in their homes. Everyone had to deal with portable classrooms and a crowded campus. Despite adversity they have the belief they could overcome and succeed at almost anything. Positive thinking.

Since then, sports teams at Hoover are seeing success they've never seen. They won five consecutive state softball championships. They made it to the AAA football title game in 2022. Their baseball team, basketball team and soccer team have been to state tournaments. The golf team won a state championship in 2021.

Hoover's academics are also strong. *US News and World Report* said, "In 2022 Herbert Hoover ranked 20th academically among all West Virginia High Schools." A positive attitude and thinking will help their students succeed in life. If the attitude of positivity continues, it will change the Elk River Valley in a very positive way.

This isn't magic. The concept is simple. We become what we think about. In soccer we played a Hoover team prior to the flood and attitude change. We won easily 8-0. Hoover had no offense. After the game their coach told me, "We knew we couldn't beat you so we played to keep the score down." Their coach lost before we stepped on the field. The new Hoover doesn't.

Your thinking

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When Lynnnda and I married 48 years ago, we meant until death do us part. Many couples marry with the idea they are going to try marriage. If people expect their marriage to fail, it probably will. This is also true in business. My biggest challenge as a manager was getting my people to believe in themselves. Belief led to great results.

At Shale Crescent USA our attitude from the beginning was one of positivity and success. Our first IHSMARKIT study in 2018 was presented on main stage in front of 1,500 attendees from all over the world at World Petrochemical Conference in Houston. We presented in Japan, India, the US and globally via Zoom. We are working with companies from all over the world, bringing companies to the region. The jobs are real and growing. A company we brought from Central America to Pennsylvania is taking two tons per hour of mixed plastic waste out of the environment and creating jobs. We are currently helping a company close their plant in China and bring that production and jobs to the Shale Crescent USA.

At the GOWV Summer Meeting, Jerry James,

President of Artex Oil and Co-Chair at Shale Crescent USA, quoted the Serenity Prayer;
***God grant me the serenity to
 Accept the things I cannot change,
 Courage to change the things I can,
 And the wisdom to know the difference...***

There is much we can't control. Jerry talked about the things we **can** change, like bringing energy-intensive manufacturing to our region. Bringing manufacturing back to the USA creates high wage jobs. It creates support jobs and helps local restaurants and businesses like flower and clothing shops. The created jobs pay federal, state and local taxes. Buying North American products isn't just good for the economy, it's good for the planet by eliminating overseas products from places like China using coal for electricity, Middle East oil and dirty ocean transportation. It creates demand for natural gas and NGLs. Increasing demand can increase prices. All things are possible. Our industry ended the energy crisis. Only Russia and the rest of the USA produce more natural gas than our region. What are you thinking about?

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Message from GO-WV Executive Director Charlie Burd



America's 4th largest natural gas producer, West Virginia provides the vital resources powering a more secure and sustainable way of life. The Mountain State alone contributes ~10% of the country's total natural gas supply and is part of the Appalachia Basin, one of the largest gas producing regions in the world.

We're proud to contribute to domestic energy security in this way, which has broad socioeconomic and environmental benefits for all Americans. We're also proud this natural gas abundance is alleviating energy poverty in developing nations while assisting allies in securing the cleanest, most reliable energy possible.

But most importantly, robust natural gas and oil activity is generating once in a lifetime opportunities for everyday West Virginians. Nearly 18,000 direct jobs are tied to the sector, averaging \$93,739 in annual wages. These are quality, family-sustaining careers ranging from pipefitters and welders, to engineers and geoscientists. When considering indirect jobs associated with supply chain and vendor partners, the 18,000 number is easily doubled. In fact, a study by accounting giants PriceWaterhouseCoopers found the industry supported more than 73,000 jobs and contributing nearly \$13 billion to the state's economy in 2021 alone.

Our industry continues to provide the lion's share of West Virginia's severance tax revenue. Of the over \$1 billion allocated to the State General Revenue Fund for fiscal year-end June 30, 2023, nearly **\$714 million (71%) came from oil, gas and natural gas liquids**. A portion of

this revenue is also allocated to cities and communities where we operate. Moreover, property taxes paid by the sector, which topped \$184 million as of June 2023, go to counties to be distributed for various social programs and school districts for essentials like internet access, computer labs, building upgrades and enhanced educational programs and offerings.

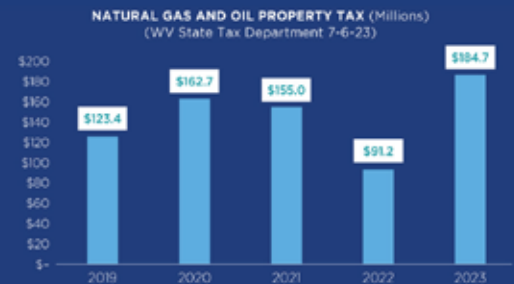
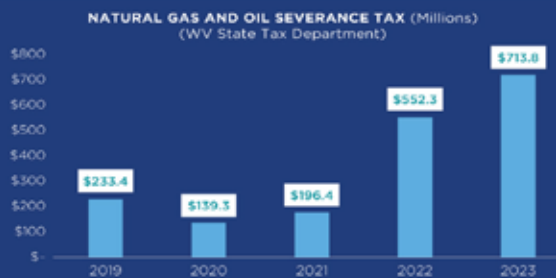
These statewide tax contributions are in addition to the work and financial support individual GO-WV members dedicate to see our state thrive through their partnerships with schools, municipalities, local charities, and other important philanthropic causes with this same goal in mind.

We're excited to present the 2023 edition of Gas Facts, GO-WV's yearly publication highlighting the significant contributions of West Virginia's critical natural gas and oil sectors. Please share this data far and wide to spread and enhance the positive impacts GO-WV and our members deliver to the place we call home – West Virginia!

Highlights include:

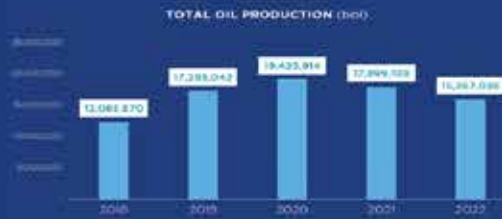
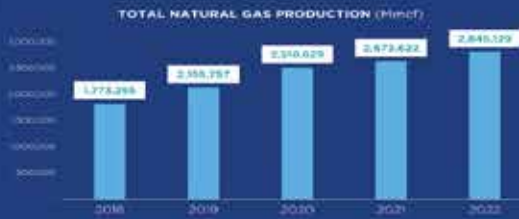
**Note all production numbers are as of December 31, 2022; Property and Severance tax totals are as of June 30, 2023.*

- Produced **2.8 trillion cubic feet (TCF)** of natural gas (+6%)
- Contributed **\$714 million** in severance taxes (+37%)
- Paid **\$184 million** in property taxes (+102%)
- Employs **17,572 direct WV jobs**
- Produced **15 million barrels of oil**



Sources for "Gas Facts" data: WV Dept. of Environmental Protection, WV State Tax Dept., WV State Treasurer's Office, Workforce WV and U.S. Energy Information Administration.





Top Natural Gas Producers in West Virginia - 2022 (MCF)

Antero Resources 1,051,851,118	Northeast Natural Energy 165,844,898
SWN Production 399,318,430	Diversified Energy 87,489,021
EQT 306,723,770	CNX Gas 68,511,013
Tug Hill Operating 276,945,288	Arsenal Resources 62,702,502
HG Energy 196,676,444	Jay-Bee Oil & Gas 58,828,211



Top Oil Producers in West Virginia - 2022 (barrels)

SWN 6,329,358	Jay-Bee Oil & Gas 244,805
Antero Resources 3,719,529	CNX Gas 202,115
Tug Hill Operating 2,207,245	EAV 190,117
EQT 1,010,255	Loan Asset Corp. 68,150
HG Energy 684,690	Diversified Energy 63,374

2022 Employment & Wages

	Direct Jobs	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
Crude Petroleum Extraction	71	\$ 4,117,672	\$ 57,995
Drilling Gas and Oil Wells	1,032	\$102,639,635	\$ 99,457
Electric Power Distribution	1,696	\$180,221,889	\$ 106,263
Environmental Consulting Services	337	\$ 25,454,647	\$ 75,533
Fossil Fuel Electric Power Generation	1,754	\$182,952,790	\$ 104,306
Field Machinery & Equipment Manufacturing	152	\$ 13,129,842	\$ 86,381
Industrial Gas Manufacturing	106	\$ 10,288,249	\$ 97,059
Natural Gas Distribution	1,633	\$145,987,529	\$ 89,398
Natural Gas Extraction	2,248	\$251,470,912	\$ 111,864
Petroleum Bulk Stations & Terminals	969	\$100,437,369	\$ 103,561
Petroleum Products Merchant Wholesalers	277	\$ 18,574,360	\$ 67,055
Petroleum Refineries	202	\$ 21,514,628	\$ 106,508
Pipeline & Related Structures Construction	2,870	\$254,398,284	\$ 88,641
Pipeline Transportation of Natural Gas	2,324	\$289,322,683	\$ 124,493
Support Activities for Oil and Gas Operations	1,901	\$166,300,581	\$ 87,481
Total	17,572	\$1,766,811,070	\$93,739



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September 15-16, 2023

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State

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\$5,500 (includes foursome fee, banner at event, logo on signage, on web site and in newsletter)

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Address

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