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Register <u>online here</u>, or use the forms on pages 16-17, to join the fun at the 2024 GO-WV Sports Weekend beginning on Friday, September 20, at Bridgeport Country Club. Activities begin with registration at 8:00 a.m. followed by breakfast.

The four-person scramble format golf tournament features a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. Your golf foursome registration fee is \$700 for GO-WV members and \$900 for nonmembers.

Lunch will be served following golf on the patio at the Bridgeport Country Club. Skill prizes will be awarded to the winning golfers, plus additional door prizes that all golfers are eligible to win!

GO-WV will NOT have tickets to Saturday's football game against the Kansas Jayhawks, nor will we have a tailgate party. Don't let that stop

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Please remember this is a GOpac fund raising event. Contributions must be by personal check or cash.



Jim Crews Vice Chairman & Program Chair

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact Lori Miller Smith at 304-344-9867 or via email at linkar.govv.com.

U.S. Supreme Court Issues Three Decisions Charting New Federal Administrative Law Path

Editors Note: This is an alert from Babst Calland, Attorneys at Law

Chevron is overruled; right to jury trial in many agency enforcement actions is guaranteed; and claim accrual date for Administrative Procedure Act claims are fixed.

In the span of five days, the U.S. Supreme Court issued three decisions with the potential to significantly alter the future of federal administrative law. These decisions, Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo, No. 22-451, 603 U.S. --- (2024) (Loper Bright) and Securities and Exchange Commission v. Jarkesy, No. 22-859, 603 U.S. --- (2024) (Jarkesy), and Corner Post, Inc. v. Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, No. 22-1008, 603 U.S. --- (2024) (Corner Post) are explained in more detail below. They are poised to have profound implications for federal agency regulatory and enforcement actions, particularly

those involving federal agency actions under the major environmental and energy statutes.

In Loper Bright, the Supreme Court has overruled Chevron U.S.A. Inc. v. Natural Resources Defense Council, Inc., 467 U.S. 837 (1984), a four-decades-old and oft-cited Supreme Court decision that granted federal administrative agencies deference when interpreting ambiguous statutory provisions. More recently, Chevron deference and the familiar two-step test it established has come under increasing scrutiny, with the Supreme Court itself not invoking the test since 2016. The Court's decision in Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo is Chevron's formal death knell.

Chevron, decided in 1984, evolved into a pillar of federal administrative law. Its two-step framework for resolving ambiguities in agency-administered statutes is familiar to many **New federal pathway** *Continued on page 11*

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2023-2024 year in review

My tenure as chairman ends at the conclusion of the 2024 Summer Meeting. On this note, I want to take the opportunity to thank Charlie, Lori and the staff for all their help, professionalism and courtesy they've shown me over the past year. In addition, I would also like to thank our Board members for their time, talent and effort in the last year. It amazes me how far the Association has come in only a few short years post-merger and the credit goes to all of you, our members, especially our Board members and staff. I continue to be impressed with their breadth of knowledge and willingness to step up when called upon.

As I look back over the last year, I would like to highlight a few things the Association has worked on:

- Association By-laws review and amendments-This review, which was initiated in October 2023, lasted many months and just concluded in June, with an updated document that removes the now not needed transitional language from the merger, expanded the board size by two members, while also allowing the board to increase the numbers of at-large board members by up to five.
- o **Membership Drive-** GO-WV saw the addition of 62 new members added between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024.
- o **Safety Meetings** GO-WV had an overall participation of over 300 attendees during the eight pipeline safety meetings held throughout the last fiscal year.
- o Science Teacher Workshop- GO-WV is proud to say that 37 Science Teachers attended this year's workshop held June 5-6, in Morgantown. And most, if not all, signed up for the master's credit hours offered by GO-WV in conjunction with Marshall University. To qualify for the CCU hours, the curriculum taught during the workshop needs to be introduced and implemented in the classroom by the attending teacher. In the end, hundreds of students will now be learning about our industry this coming year.
- o **Golf outings-** 24 foursomes signed up for our Spring Swing golf outing at Berry Hills in May and 22 foursomes played in the Fall 2023 outing at the Bridgeport CC.
- o **2023 Summer Meeting** held at The Greenbrier Resort last August, saw another attendance record of over 350 attendees, virtually of whom attended one or both of the fully loaded morning business sessions.
- o **2024 Winter Meeting** once again saw dozens of legislators, decisions makers, state officials and industry leaders come to-

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Christy Davis elected to WVU Foundation

GO-WV member Christy Hayhurst Davis was recently elected to a three-year terms on the WVU Foundation Board of Directors at its annual meeting in June. She was recognized for her successful career in investments and investment management.

Christy earned her bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering from WVU in 2007. She serves as the president of Hundred Resources Inc. in Fairmont, WV. Christy has dedicated nearly 25 years to the company. Her proficiency spans production and distribution, leasing, contracts, land management, finance, accounting, mergers and acquisitions, and state laws related to oil and natural gas.

In 2022, she played a pivotal role in passing legislation that protects the rights of oil and gas mineral owners in West Virginia. She is deeply committed to charitable and volunteer efforts along with continuing and expanding upon her family's tradition of supporting WVU and statewide initiatives.





Remember that August 11th is National 811 Day, an important reminder to always contact 811 before you dig to help keep your community and employees safe. As well as to keep life critical utilities connected and in service. Contacting 811 before any digging project, large or small, is crucial for reducing the risk of damaging underground utilities. This step can mean the difference between life and death. Don't cut corners if you don't want to cut utility service—always contact 811 before you dig! #811Day





From the Burd's Nest: Are you at the table or on the menu?

July 1 marked the beginning of GO-WV's new membership year. By now you should have received your 2024-25 dues statement—we appreciate you as members.

This month, my article starts with me asking you a favor: after reading this article, please print it and hand it to a colleague or someone you do business with that is not a GO-WV member

The GO-WV website is visited dozens of times a week. These visits are from those seeking to find us and access the latest industry information. Please note that members receive more information and on a timelier basis than non-members who must wait and rely on website postings after the fact.

There are many producers and affiliated businesses that are not GO-WV members. For that reason, my article this month will highlight several of the activities and reasons why membership in GO-WV is valuable—and available to all those that want to take a seat at the table and become part of the decision-making process.

Family Values:

GO-WV is a family, pure and simple! Though family can be defined in many ways, our industry is all related because of our common characteristics, and we work closely together to accomplish various value-added initiatives that benefit all producers and affiliates. GO-WV has a unity of purpose in the industry. This family of approximately 450 members has and continues to make a difference. Please get involved, take your seat at the table and become part of the decision-making process.

Leadership engagement:

The leadership team of GO-WV is experienced and well qualified. Moreover, every Board member is elected by "YOU," their peers—officers are then elected by the Board. This very fluid and transparent process has proven quite effective. In my 22 years as your executive director (now

President), I have NEVER witnessed a vote by the Board of Directors on any matter that has not benefited the many over the few! It always boils down to "service of others over self."

GO-WV is all inclusive:

Since the merger of IOGA and WVONGA on January 1, 2021, GO-WV has become an even stronger industry advocate that represents all producers, both conventional and non-conventional. By charter, the purpose of GO-WV is to promote and protect all aspects of the West Virginia oil and natural gas industry, including: the drilling, production, gathering, processing, interstate transportation, local distribution, marketing and sale of oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids ("NGLs").

In this process, GO-WV strongly advocates for the expanded use of natural gas for electric power generation, and the use of oil, natural gas and NGLs as fuel sources and as raw materials in chemical and manufacturing processes. Add to this the efforts extended in educational outreach to all legislators and citizens about the benefits of oil and natural gas in terms of job creation and tax revenues. GO-WV also hosts an annual "Science Teachers Workshop" where junior high and high school math and science teachers learn about the benefits of our industry and leave the two-day event with lesson plans and supplies to do in-classroom demonstrations. Once implanted into the classroom, they can apply and receive continuing education credits through Marshall University. In summary...GO-WV is engaged in those things that help advance and grow the oil and natural gas industry.

Committee Involvement:

One of the best reasons to be a member is the opportunity to become engaged in one or all of GO-WV standing committees that address issues of most importance to producers and those that serve them. Here is where the decision-making

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Upcoming events for your review

August 4-6, 2024

GO-WV Summer Meeting

The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, WV Info: gowv.com

August 9-10, 2024

WV Press Association Annual Convention

Four Points by Sheraton, Charleston Info: wvpress.org

September 12-14, 2024

WV Oil and Gas Festival

Sistersville, WV

September 16, 2024

BHE GT&S Charity Golf Outing

Pete Dye Golf Course, Clarksburg, WV

September 20, 2024

GO-WV Fall Sports Outing

Bridgeport Country Club, Bridgeport, WV Info: gowv.com

September 22-25, 2024

GPA Midstream Assn. National Convention

Marriott Rivercenter, San Antonio, TX Info: gpamidstream

September 24-26, 2024

ICYMI: Shale Insight

Erie. PA

Info: marcelluscoalition.org

October 7, 2024

WVMA 2024 Legislative Reception & Dinner

Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center Charleston, WV

October 21, 2024

Apex 10th Annual Charity Golf Outing

Berry Hills Country Club, Charleston Info: katucker@apexpipeline.com October 22-23, 2024

2024 West Virginia Broadband Summit

Embassy Suites, Charleston, WV

October 25-27, 2024

Governor's One-Shot Whitetail Hunt

Stonewall Resort, Roanoke, WV

October 28-30, 2024

IOGCC Annual Conference

Cheyenne Mt. Resort, Colorado Springs, CO

Info: iogcc

October 28-30, 2024

IPAA Annual Meeting

The Boca Raton Resort, Boca Raton, DL

Info: <u>ipaa.org</u>

October 29-30, 2024

WV Energy Summit

Charleston Coliseum and Convention Center

Charleston, WV

Info: energywv.org

November 7, 2024

DUG Appalachia 2024

David L. Lawrence Convention Center

Pittsburgh, PA

February 19-20, 2025

GO-WV 2025 Winter Meeting

Charleston Marriott Hotel, Charleston, WV

March 26, 2025

GO-WV Gas & Oil Day at the Legisture

State Capitol, Charleston, WV

August 3-5, 2025

GO-WV Summer Meeting

The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, WV

August 2-4, 2026

GO-WV Summer Meeting

The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, WV





GO-WV Board welcomes five new members in July

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

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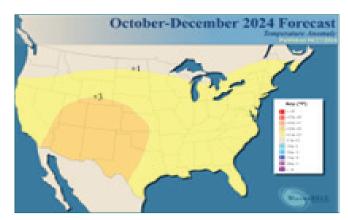
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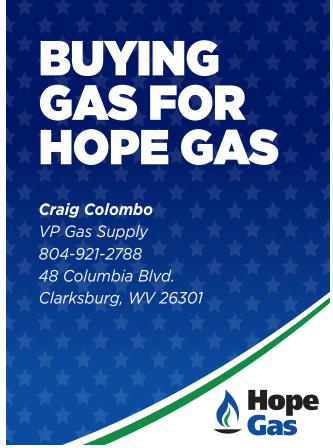
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We continue to expect a very active Atlantic Hurricane season. Please see our tropical updates through our Energy subscription for details as the threats emerge.

Looking to the past, the last three months of years with very active hurricane seasons tend to be warm overall. However, most have a notable cold shot in December. Timing this out is going to be the key, but it is too early to talk specifics.

For the end of 2024, expect warmth to dominate the West, with increasingly variable conditions in the East. With sea temperatures so warm, the East Coast will struggle to get nighttime lows too cold.







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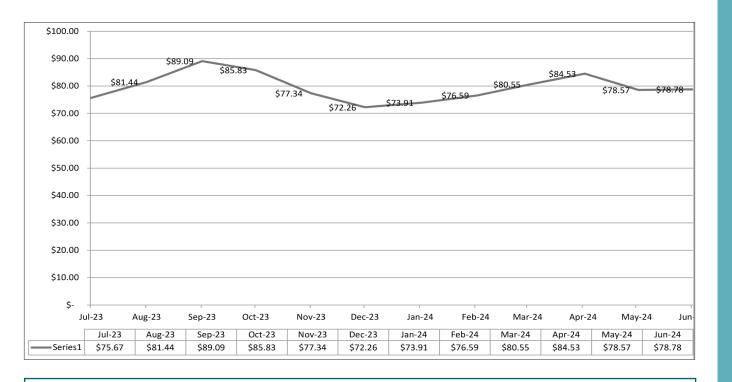
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Sponsorship opportunities available for 2024 WV Oil & Gas Festival

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of Barbara Vincent earlier this year. She was the Festival coordinator for many years and will be greatly missed. With the untimely passing of Barbara, the WV Oil & Gas Festival Board of Directors has dedicated itself to making this year's festival one that would have made her proud.

The WV Oil & Gas Festival will be held at the City Park in Sistersville September 12-14, 2024. New and exciting options are being planned for Festival goers, while also maintaining the traditions that have meant so much to so many for the past 56 years. The queen's pageant, parade and Oil & Gas Person of the Year recognition dinner will continue, and new events are being planned.

This is an opportunity for you to make the 2024 WV Oil & Gas Festival even more of a success than in past years. To accomplish this, the festival is in urgent need of funding in the form of contributions or through the purchase of advertising space in the festival program. This is your chance to contribute to the ONLY festival dedicated to the oil and natural gas industry! All donors will be showcased in Festival advertisements and promotional signs will be placed at the festival.

The leadership of the Gas and Oil Association of West Virginia is asking you to join us in assisting in this most important effort. Then, come join in the celebration of the 56th Annual WV Oil & Gas Festival in September!

Advertising rates

Full Page	7.5x10 inches	\$500
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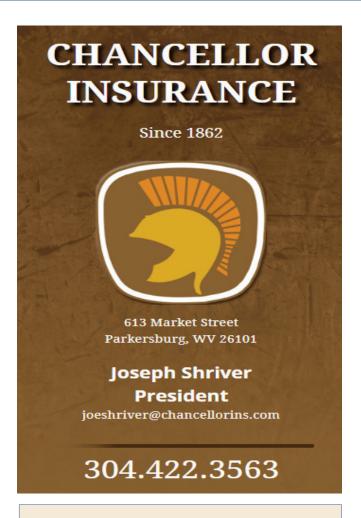


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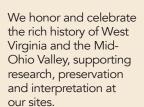
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regulatory attorneys and judges. It required courts reviewing an agency's statutory interpretations to ask, first, whether Congress had clearly spoken to the precise question at issue. If so, the Congressional intent controlled over any contrary agency interpretation. If not, Chevron's second step required the court to defer to the agency so long as it offered a "permissible construction" of the statute, even if that construction was not the one the court would have reached on its own.

The petitioners in Loper Bright challenged an agency rule mandating that certain commercial fishing vessels pay for onboard observers. Prior to 2020, the federal government fully funded observer coverage, but federal funding later ceased, leading the petitioners to challenge the rule as unlawful. Both District Courts and Circuit Courts of Appeals ruled in favor of the federal agency, relying on Chevron deference after finding some ambiguity as to Congress's intent and deferring to the agency's "reasonable" interpretation of the underlying statute. The Supreme Court's acceptance of the challenges addressed in Loper Bright all but confirmed Chevron's demise. The sole question before the Supreme Court in Loper Bright was whether Chevron should be overruled or clarified.

Writing for the 6-3 majority, Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. issued a sharp rebuke of Chevron, laden with historical references and analysis. By requiring courts to defer to agency interpretation of ambiguous statutory enactments, the Court held that Chevron ran counter to the Congressional commandment in the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) for courts to "decide all relevant questions of law" and to Constitutional separation-of-powers principles. The Court held that it is a judge's obligation to determine what the law is, including determining statutory meaning in the face of ambiguity. Chevron, according to the majority, "fosters unwarranted instability in the law, leaving those attempting to plan around agency action in an eternal fog of uncertainty."

In overturning Chevron deference, the Court clarified that its decision in Loper Bright does not "call into question prior cases that relied on the Chevron framework." According to the Court, a prior decision's "mere reliance" on Chevron doctrine is not enough for a court to overrule in New federal pathway

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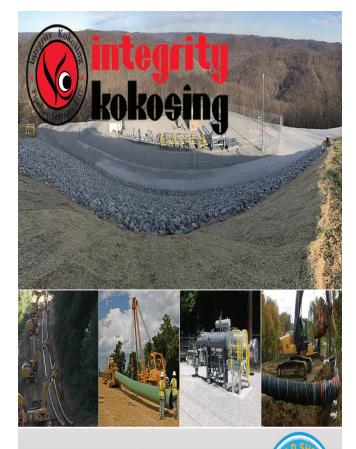
the future, without an additional "special justification." The majority opinion also made clear that Chevron is survived by Skidmore v. Swift & Co., 323 U.S. 134, 140 (1944), under which agency interpretations and opinions are entitled to respect consistent with "the thoroughness evident in its consideration, the validity of its reasoning, its consistency with earlier and later pronouncements, and all those factors which give it power to persuade, if lacking power to control."

Justice Elana Kagan, writing for the three Justices in dissent, denied any contradiction of the Chevron doctrine with the APA, arguing that the statute does not compel the de novo statutory review required by the majority opinion. The dissent also cautioned that statutes passed during the four-decades of Chevron doctrine were done under the expectation that Chevron would guide interpretative authority between agencies and courts and, similarly, that rules issued during this timeframe would presume statutory ambiguities were the agencies' to reasonably resolve. Justice Kagan justified Chevron and emphasized the practical consequences (and in her opinion, significant problems) with having judges interpret ambiguous provisions in complex "scientific and technical" statutes, using several examples to support this

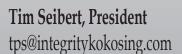
The Loper Bright decision represents a fundamental change in federal administrative law, particularly for stakeholders involved in federal environmental regulatory matters. This is particularly true when considered in conjunction with the Supreme Court's decision the day before in Jarkesy, where Justice Roberts, again writing for the majority, held that the Seventh Amendment requires agencies to prosecute common-law forms of action in federal courts, where juries are available, instead of in administrative tribunals, where they are not. These twin decisions reset (some may argue upset) the balance of power between courts and federal agencies implementing regulatory statutes, like the major federal environmental laws. And given the Supreme Court's decision in Corner Post, which held that an Administrative Procedure Act claim accrues when the injury occurs, many regulations once thought beyond challenge may become susceptible to attack.

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The impact of the Loper Bright, Jarkesy, and Corner Post decisions on federal environmental and energy regulatory efforts will unfold in the coming months and years. But it seems assured that federal courts now are the sole arbiter of whether a federal agency's action aligns with the underlying statute, without regard or deference to the federal agency's interpretation of Congressional intent and while according "due" respect to the agency based on Skidmore.

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gether to discuss issues faced by our industry.

- New Workers' Comp Program In coordination with Encova Insurance, eligible GO-WV members who chose to participate saw discounts on their Worker's Compensation plans. (This is an ongoing and continuing program and if interested, please call Lori Miller Smith at the GO-WV office).
- o Communication & Education Committee

 This committee never stopped in its effort to keep members informed and engaged in all facets of the industry. Its most recent endeavor was coordinating GO-WV's hosting WV Day at a WV Black Bears minor league baseball game in Morgantown. The Black Bears won and a great time was had by all!!

This list is just a few of the many items and activities GO-WV hosted or was involved with

during the last year. Our committees continue to lead in their respective areas of engagement and our Board meetings were and are always full of topics and issues.

As we move forward, I have no doubt that the leadership of GO-WV will continue to step up and lead our industry in a positive direction. We have a lot of exciting news occurring in our state with development projects announced regularly. The Gas and Oil Association of WV will continue to play a vital part in seeing those developments come to fruition.

Thank you again to everyone who makes our industry and our state a great place to work, live and play. I am truly humbled to have been your Chairman and I look forward to assisting our future leaders as they continue to build upon GO-WV's legacy.

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process starts:

- The Communications and Education Committee oversees GO-WV's ongoing external public relations and internal education programs including media relations and publications. It meets virtually on a monthly basis.
- The Environmental & Safety Committees
 oversee state and federal government actions
 affecting endangered species and environmental and safety standards. It meets virtually on a
 monthly basis.
- The **Governmental Affairs Committee** has the responsibility of monitoring governmental actions at both the state and federal levels. It meets as needed and more frequently as the legislative session approaches.
- The Legal Committee monitors legal or court actions that have the potential to impact producers or other members. The Committee may also recommend a course of action to the Board of Directors. It meets virtually on a monthly basis.

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- The **Producers Issues Committee** has the responsibility of identifying, assessing and monitoring a broad range of issues of importance to all producer/operators at the local, state, regional and federal levels. It meets virtually on a monthly basis.
- The Tax and Finance Committee has the responsibility for monitoring changes in the business environment which impact the financial aspects of our industry and the legislative and administrative changes which alter how the oil and natural gas industry is taxed. It meets as needed and more frequently as tax matters arise.

Communications Team:

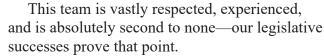
GO-WV is very fortunate to have two outstanding communication firms representing its efforts.

- **FTI Consulting** manages most external communication activities with local, state, regional and national media. FYI also manages our social media outreach.
- Homestead Communications manages most internal communications including our website, monthly newsletter, annual Association directory and assists in other ways.

Both firms work in partnership with one another. **Lobby Team:**

Success in legislative efforts that cover a broad array of topics does not happen by chance. It happens through amassing the most qualified individuals into a team that earns the respect of legislators and decision makers. GO-WV's lobbying team, consisting of myself, Phil Reale, Jim Fealy and Daniel Hall, is one of the most highly respected at the Capitol.

- Phil Reale is the principal in the Law Office of Philip A. Reale, an expert lobbyist, political strategist and former Chief of Staff to Governor Gaston Caperton. Moreover, Phil is a long-time member and IOGAWV Past President.
- **Jim Fealy** is a seasoned lobbyist and political strategist who works in Phil's firm. Jimmy is also a past House of Delegate Member.
- Daniel Hall, who has his own lobbyist firm (Access Strategies. LLCs), is also a seasoned lobbyist and political strategist and is a former House of Delegate Member and former State Senator.



Legal Team:

GO-WV is also proud of the expert team of legal firms it has assembled to represent the interests of conventional and non-conventional producers.

- Bowles Rice, LLP oversees all Public Service Commission Service of West Virgina matters, assists in legislative issues pertaining to tax, pipeline and general business matters and serves as GO-WV General Counsel.
- Pierce Atwood LLP, out of Washington D.C. handles all Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) matters, jurisdictional pipeline access and rate issues.
- **Spilman Thomas & Battle, PLLC** oversees a plethora of ongoing environmental issues faced by several aspects of the industry and the Association.
- Add to this the several other GO-WV member legal firms that are utilized each year to handle specific matters of importance to all producers.

Meetings:

GO-WV is proud of its rich tradition of presenting the best meetings and educational seminars in the basin. We consistently hear that our meetings and seminars are "spot on" with regards to topics and presenters. And, when it comes to these two items, GO-WV spares no expense to do it right. A brief review of our annual meetings and educational seminars shows:

- Winter Meeting: Held in Charleston, WV in conjunction with the annual Regular Legislative Session, this January or February annual meeting is the most talked about in all corners of the Capitol. Mark your calendar now to join us February 19-20, 2025, at the Charleston Town Center Marriott.
- Summer Meeting: For the past several years GO-WV's Summer Meeting has been held in "America's Resort"—The Greenbrier. Located in beautiful White Sulphur Springs, WV, this mid-year opportunity to reconnect with fellow members has seen attendance steadily grow to nearly 400 attendees. This year's

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meeting is just around the corner on August 4-6, 2024.

- Golf Outings: GO-WV hosts two golf outings a year. The spring outing is in Charleston and fall outing is in the Bridgeport/Morgantown area. These outings are done in conjunction with political fundraising for GO-pac.
- Environmental and Safety Seminars:
 Since the merger in 2021, GO-WV has been conducting several seminars annually covering pipeline safety, cyber security, methane emissions and more. In addition, GO-WV co-sponsors other events with a host of outside like-minded organizations.
- Annual Tax Seminar: Late in the year, GO-WV co-sponsors its annual tax seminar that provides the latest information to producer/operators to assist them for their upcoming tax return preparation. The past several seminars have been done virtually and on a regional basis with the Southeast Ohio Oil & Gas Association (SOOGA) and the Pennsylvania Independent Oil and Gas Association (PIOGA). This seminar is conducted by the accounting

firm of Baker Tilly US, LLP.

It is also important to know that GO-WV manages highly successful medical insurance programs that are made available to all *producers* and other qualifying voting members of GO-WV with operations located in West Virginia. That savings alone may surprise you. It is my hope you can see that your investment in membership in GO-WV is returned to you in several varied and diverse ways and there is always a standing invitation to you to become more active on the committees that address issues important to you.

As initially requested, I hope you will reach out to a non-member, share this information, and ask them to join. Because the true value of membership lies in getting involved, taking your seat at the table, and becoming part of the decision-making process.

Should you have any questions or need more information please call me at 304-344-9867 or by cell phone at 304-482-2619. And as I said at the beginning of this article: If you don't have a seat at the table, you may find yourself on the menu!





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September 20, 2024 | Bridgeport Country Club

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options/ to register and pay	om/events/2024-sp online or return this	orts-weekend-golf-outing-sponsorship-and-registrations form to GO-WV by September 1, 2024. Be sure to email a f your company's color logo to lmillersmith@gowv.com .



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Company Name Address City, State, Zip			Please mail this registration form with payment by Sept. 1, 2024 to: 300 Summers Street, Suite 820 Charleston, WV 25301 No refunds after Sept. 1, 2024 (unless event canceled) For additional information call Lori Miller Smith, (304) 344-9867.	
Name	Employer	Member Y/N	Golf	Sporting Clays
Registration Fees Only (Does not include golf)				
Single Member Golf (includes registration)			@ \$200.00 per member	
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Member Golf Foursome (includes registration)			@ \$700.00 per foursome	
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