

GO-WV names 2024-2025 leadership team

Jim Crews has been elected as 2024-2025 Chair of the Gas and Oil Association of WV, Inc. (GO-WV). He will be joined by Vice President Craig Colombo, Secretary Brett Loflin, Treasurer Kelly Moss and Immediate Past Chair Jeff Isner.

In addition, other voting members of the board of directors include: Maribeth Anderson, Antero Resources; John Bane, EQT; Jason Harshbarger, BHE GT&S; Doug Malcolm, D. C. Malcom, Inc.; Jonathan Morgan, Jay-Bee Oil and Gas; Nick Munoz, Williams; Ben Sullivan, Diversified Energy; Aaron Thompson, TC Energy; Jennifer Vieweg, Greylock Energy; Chris Weikle, Southwestern Energy; Marlin Witt, Baker Tilley, US, LLP; and Andria Wymer, Energy Transport.

Members at Large include: Jon Farmer, Arsenal Resources; Kathy Hill, Ergon Oil Purchasing; Tom Westfall, Mountaineer Gas; and Tim Wilcox, Amcox Oil & Gas. Members Emeritus include: Marc Halbritter; Ben Hardesty; Lloyd Jackson II; Don Nestor; and Bob Orndorff.

Jim Crews has been Vice President of Northeast Business Development for MPLX since 2011. Previously, he held various positions with NiSource Gas Transmission and Storage-NGT&S (and its predecessor Columbia Gas **Leadership team**



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2024 WV Oil & Gas Festival gets new look; Jackson named 2024 O&G Person of the Year

The Board of the West Virginia Oil and Gas Festival is excited to announce that the 56th annual event will be held in Sistersville, WV, at the City Park on September 12-14, 2024.

This year's event will showcase several new changes to the Festival, while maintaining the traditions that the Festival has offered over the past 55 years. Traditions to take in at the Festival include the queen's pageant, the oil and gas exhibits, various entertainment venues, craft booths and children's events and games. Other new events and attractions remain in the planning stages.

The 2024 Oil and Gas Person of the Year, Lloyd Jackson II will be recognized at an invitation-only dinner co-hosted by the Festival Board and the Gas and Oil Association of WV on Friday, September 13 at 4:30pm at the Sistersville VFD at 121 Maple Lane, Sistersville. Then on Saturday, Jackson will serve as grand marshal of the traditional festival parade that begins at 12:00pm.

Jackson, an emeritus member of the GO-WV Board of Directors, is co-owner of Jackson Gas Company.

His public service includes six years as Lincoln County Prosecutor, and election to the West Virginia Senate from 1986-1990 and 1994-2002. He served as a member of the State Board of Education and Chairman of the Board of Trustees at WV Wesleyan College, as well as involvement in numerous community and statewide organizations. He is a graduate of WVU and the WVU College of Law. He and his wife, Trina, have two sons.



*Lloyd Jackson II
O&G Person of the Year*

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Looking back...and forward

As I humbly accept the gavel for the second time in my career, I look back upon the changes that have occurred in the industry in such a short period of time. In 2009, I was elected President of the West Virginia Oil and Natural Gas Association (WVONGA) which merged with the Independent Oil and Gas Association of West Virginia (IOGA-WV) in 2021 to form the Gas and Oil Association of West Virginia (GO-WV). That in of itself was a monumental task given that the two entities had competed for nearly 100 years to represent the interests of the State's oil and gas producers, gatherers, processors, refiners, interstate pipelines, and local distribution companies (LDC's). The same aggregation of organizations occurred in Pennsylvania and Ohio as the advent of horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing came to the Appalachian Basin, bringing with it operators from all over the continent, if not the world.

As impressive as the organizational changes were, they were eclipsed by the increases in gas production. In 2009, West Virginia produced approximately 257 billion cubic feet (BCF) of natural gas and 1.5 million barrels of oil. By 2023, in stark contrast, West Virginia produced 3211 BCF and is poised to produce 3321 BCF in 2024. This represents a 12.5 fold increase in 15 years. On a regional basis, Ohio produces approximately the same amount of gas as West Virginia, and Pennsylvania's production is approximately the same as Ohio and West Virginia combined. This culminates in total Appalachian production of 35 BCF per day which represents approximately 1/3 of the total United States gas production. As is always the case, as supply increased the price decreased from an average of nearly \$10 per million British Thermal Units (BTU's) to approximately \$2 per million BTU's.

As regional trade associations, including GO-WV, have worked with legislators and regulators to adjust laws and regulations to promote the safe and efficient production and transportation of this valuable fuel, West Virginia's severance tax receipts have also soared from approximately \$85 million in 2009 to \$714 million in 2023.

These positive developments would lead you to believe that we are in the midst of "boom times" and all is well with the "oil patch"; however, many challenges remain. Foremost is the reticence toward the construction of interstate energy infrastructure on the part of entities claiming to be environmentalists. Are you really concerned with the environment if you are being funded by countries not friendly toward the United States? Lack of access

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Two safety training topics scheduled for fall

The Gas and Oil Association of West Virginia (GOWV) is pleased to announce three upcoming safety training opportunities on driver safety and excavator safety.

The first training seminar will be conducted as part of the ongoing partnership with Encova Insurance and will be presented by Veriforce. This training will focus on Driving Safety in the oil and gas industry, in particular in the Appalachian region.

The Safe Driver course is rigorously developed to combat the high incidence of Serious Injury and Fatality (SIF) crashes involving personal and light-duty company vehicles in the oil and gas industry. Extending beyond business operations, this course also focuses on the safety of personnel during their daily commutes. The course is tailored toward any employee operating a motor vehicle in the industry, particularly the Appalachia and Marcellus regions. The content is targeted specifically to help address the unique

driving conditions in the industry and region. The course will help identify safety solutions by combining legal requirements, safety controls and best practices to mitigate driving hazards. Safe Driver helps develop a commitment to transform driving behaviors and ensure safety of workers performing one of the most hazardous tasks performed each day. It is intended to significantly reduce the current trend of vehicle related SIF incidents.

The Safe Driver course is a 4-hour course that includes the following components:

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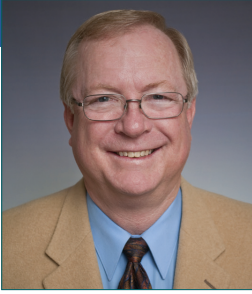
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From the Burd's Nest: Never forget 9/11, but let's never forget 9/12

As we approach the upcoming November General election, we are a country divided. An April 2024 IPSOS survey reports 81% of Americans say America is more divided than united. Other points from the survey reveal that 66% of the respondents believe that members of Congress and 70% of pundits' and TV news personalities' day to day words and actions increase the division in the country. In addition, 10% or less believe that these two groups help bring the country together.

This month marks the 23rd anniversary of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on our country. In the space of less than 90 minutes on that late summer morning, the world changed. In the aftermath, virtually all Americans from every walk of life, religious background, democrat, republican, young, old, male or female threw their differences aside and rallied in support of our nation while mourning the deaths of so many innocent victims.

But 9/11 wasn't the first time our country had faced such unbelievable horror. In 1941, Pearl Harbor was the event for my parents' generation. It changed them and their lives forever. They never forgot where they were or what they were doing on that Sunday when they heard the news.

For my generation, it was the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in 1963 (then age 10, I can still vividly recall exactly where I was and what I was doing when I heard the news). Then just five years later, the assassination of his brother Robert F. Kennedy and civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. While all these events broke our hearts—they did not break our spirit.

For my two sons' generation, the morning of Tuesday, September 11, 2001, is that day that will remain burned in their memory. Nathan was only three years old, but we found it impossible to shelter him from the visions of the smoke-filled sky over New York City—it was on every news network.

Like you, I remember it as though it was yesterday. I dropped Nathan off at daycare and headed to work. A project visit and meeting were first on my agenda. Once completed, it was back to the office. I arrived back to the sound of my phone ringing. It was Leone calling and there was an urgency in her voice. She was home that morning and she had just finished talking to my older son Charlie. What I was about to be told has forever changed us all.

It was originally reported that a small plane had just crashed into the World Trade Centers (WTCs). Charlie was safe, nearly five miles away at his apartment in upper Manhattan. He could not see the towers, but no one could miss the smoke bellowing into the sky. Instead of taking the subway, he decided he would walk to work! Leone continued to talk to Charlie while I hung up. Down the hallway I could hear coworkers scrambling to tell others the same news I had just heard. The only TV in our offices had a "rabbit ear antenna" and we attempted to make out what was happening. We could barely see the picture and used a radio voice commentary because the TV audio quality was as bad as the picture quality.

As we watched in horror, the second plane banked into and struck the second tower. The United States was under attack. I dialed Leone's cell phone, and she answered on the first ring. She and Charlie had been talking when it happened. He would not go downtown on this morning as minutes later the world watched as the Pentagon was attacked. Then the rumor circulated that another plane was heading for Washington, D.C. A short time later, Flight 93 crashed into the ground in rural Pennsylvania, not far from where, a year later, nine coal miners would survive a nightmarish brush with death. But the worst of it came as we watched in total and absolute horror as both the WTC Towers collapsed into the ground killing thousands of people.

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Register now for Sept. 20 Sports Weekend

Register [online here](#), 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 you from driving to Morgantown on Saturday, September 21 to cheer the Mountaineers to victory. You can make your own arrangement for game tickets at: [2024 Season Tickets \(wvusports.com\)](#) or several other ticket outlets. The game time has not yet been announced.

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

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

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Upcoming events for your review

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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

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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
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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, FL
Info: ipaa.org

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 Legislature
State Capitol, Charleston, WV

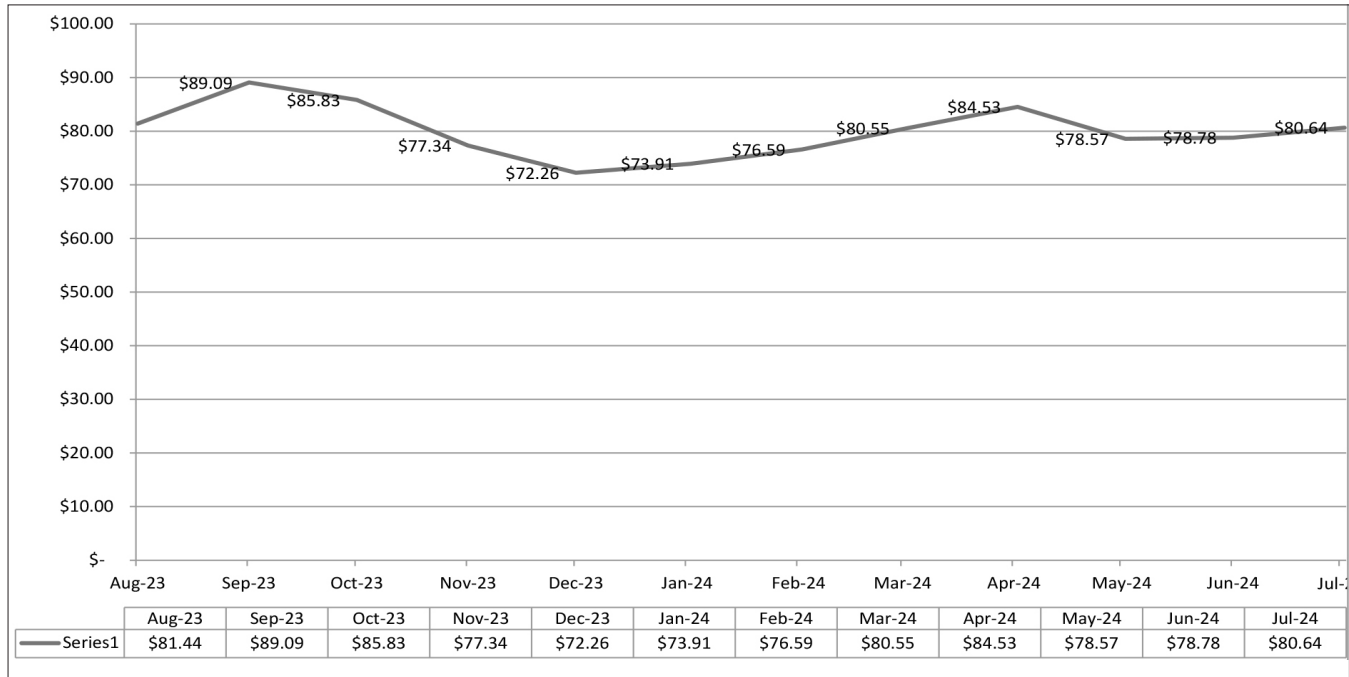
August 3-5, 2025

GO-WV Summer Meeting
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August 2-4, 2026

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Monthly Appalachian Basin crude oil prices



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

While there might be a stretch or two of cold weather in December in the East, overall for the five-month heating season we expect the coldest air, relative to normal, to be in the Northwest.

With La Niña, there tends to be variability to the north with a persistent Southeast ridge, and that is the current expectations for the heart of the winter.

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2024 Summer Meeting in pictures



Sunday evening opened with a buffet on Kate's Mountain, with special guests Attorney General Patrick Morrisey and Huntington Mayor Steve Williams with GO-WV Chair Jeff Isner. Sponsors included Antero Resources, Liberty Energy and Williams.



Monday opened with an industry session, sponsored by EQT, where attendees heard from U.S. Senator Joe Manchin virtually, U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito by video, and, pictured at right are Charlie Burd, Morgan O'Brien, President and CEO of Hope Gas, Toby Rice, CEO of EQT, U.S. Congresswoman Carol Miller and Jeff Isner.

Shown above is speaker Melissa Blatt, Assistant Vice President Workers' Compensation Litigation at Encova Insurance.



2024 Summer Meeting in pictures



During Tuesday's industry session, sponsored by EQT, attendees heard from Governor Jim Justice, David Brazier (top left), President and CEO of RBN Energy LLC, West Virginia State Auditor JB McCuskey (lower left), David J. Arnold, (top right) Senior Vice President of Americas Power Development and Energy Transition Investments Financial Services at GE Vernova. At the conclusion of the meeting, shown top center, GO-WV President Charlie Burd presented outgoing Chair Jeff Isner with his Past Chair's gavel in appreciation of his service.



Tuesday evening sponsors included Ergon, MPLX, Steptoe & Johnson and SWN. Other Summer Meeting sponsors included Arsenal Resources, Apex Pipeline, Blue Ridge Risk Partners, Diversified Energy, Encova Insurance and Northwestern Mutual.

Tuesday evening featured a New Orleans-style Mardi Gras theme at the outdoor pool, complete with fireworks. Above right are Charlie Burd with Ava, Jessica, Jeff, Cohen and Case Isner. At right in "costume" are Jessica and Ava Isner.

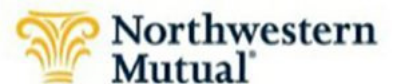


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Overcome fear with action

A few years ago, I was doing a leadership conference for a high school in Maryland. I stated, “In high school I rarely got turned down for date. What do you think my secret was?” They guessed everything from, I had a hot car to I had a hot body. They were surprised when I told them, “I didn’t ask, out of fear of rejection.” One young man jumped up and said, “Mr. Kozera, you don’t score on 100% of the shots you don’t take.” He was right. I told them my fear of rejection meant I didn’t have many dates. In college, I started asking for dates and experienced rejection initially. Ultimately, I found success and a fun social life. Eventually, I found Lynnda, my wife of now 49 years. I overcame fear to tell her how I felt.

Rejection prepared me for my corporate work in sales. A “No” didn’t hurt me physically or emotionally. It simply meant it was time to move on to the next prospect. Success resulted from persistence. Overcoming fear and rejection allowed me to present new ideas to management and prospects. As a manager, I learned to reject a bad idea but not the person presenting it. Their next idea may solve a major problem or generate millions of dollars in revenue. Leaders including parents need to be good listeners and communicators. They can’t be fearful of their people’s ideas if they differ from their own. Great leaders drive fear out of their organizations.

Parents and great leaders need to remember failure is a bump on the road to success. When a baby takes its first steps and falls on its butt, no parent scolds the child because it didn’t walk all the way across the room. Instead they pick up the baby, lovingly praise it for walking and encourage them to try again.

In corporate life I recall a group meeting with a large customer. The Senior VP, chewed out a young engineer in front of the entire group for a mistake. The engineer did exactly what he was told to do by his manager. The manager never spoke up to defend him probably out of fear. The VP shouldn’t have publicly reprimanded the en-

gineer. Praise should be given publicly. Criticism should always be done privately. The situation got sorted out but the damage was done. It put fear in the company’s other young engineers and managers who became very conservative. They quit taking risks and making suggestions for fear of failure, criticism and loss of their job. Some of their best people ultimately left.

A couple of years ago at the Plastic News Executive Conference the Top 10 Best Places to Work were recognized. These companies are also top financial performers. One VP, when receiving the award recounted how one of his engineers took it on himself to make a \$3 million decision. The engineer couldn’t reach the VP and ordered specialty parts to finish a project on time for an important customer. The solution and part worked. The project was finished on time. The customer was thrilled. That night I found the VP at the fire pit and we had a drink. I asked, “What would you have done if the engineer failed?” The VP responded, “I just invested \$3 million in his education. I would never have fired him. It would have been an expensive learning experience. When you give people authority, it includes permission to fail.” The VP told me his company has a waiting list of people wanting to work for them. Coach Joe tells our high school soccer players to shoot when they have an opportunity. He gives them permission to fail. Our team scores a lot of goals.

In sales, you don’t sell to 100% of the prospects you don’t contact. Fear keeps sales people from making tough contacts. The Shale Crescent USA (SCUSA) sales team at events like the National Plastics Expo and SelectUSA made contacts in advance and engaged prospects at our booth. Companies around the world want to come here because of economical dependable natural gas. Companies who didn’t know about the Shale Crescent USA organization or our region have become prospects. Lynnda turned a request for a sticker into a conversation and a serious prospect

Overcome fear

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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.

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to market has resulted in prices that don't support traditional vertical wells in many parts of West Virginia. In fact, the price of gas in Appalachia trades at \$1-\$2 per million BTU's less than natural gas in Texas and Louisiana. Even though production in West Virginia has soared, it is relatively concentrated in 10 northern counties leaving most of the remainder of the state captive to marginal wells that may be forced into plugging by onerous Federal methane legislation.

In addition, West Virginia electric rate payer subsidies to marginal coal-fired power plants, while politically popular, may have saved jobs in the short term but precluded gas-fired power plants from development in West Virginia. Natural gas-fired power plants are 30-50% more efficient than coal fired power plants while producing half as much CO₂. West Virginia has not constructed

any new gas-fired power plants, while Pennsylvania and Ohio have added numerous plants during the shale boom. In the long run, West Virginia gas could be exported to Ohio and Pennsylvania to generate electricity that is imported into West Virginia to support increasing power demand from retiring coal-fired power plants.

Lastly, we need to manufacture the value-added products from natural gas including ammonia and fertilizer, hydrogen, cement, glass and numerous petrochemicals including various plastics, elastomers and fabrics. Both federal and state legislation must incentivize this investment in Appalachia.

We look forward to working with all stakeholders to fully realize the gift that's right under our feet.

Never forget 9/12

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It would be after 10:00 p.m. before we heard from Charlie again. Telephone communications were nonexistent in or out of New York City. What a relief to hear his voice!! My great friend Jim Strawn arrived to spend the night in advance of our Leadership WV sessions in Wheeling over the following three days. Not knowing what to expect, after dinner we went out to top off our gasoline tanks for the upcoming trip to Wheeling. Many others were thinking like us; we waited in line at the pumps for over thirty minutes. It had been a long September 11, 2001.

As a youth growing up in Southeastern Ohio, in the late 1950s and early 1960s, there was never a time I felt threatened. We didn't even lock our front door at night. It was a time when neighbors knew and looked out for each other. It was a time when people were much more trusting in each other. It was a time of prosperity and growth in our country. We were not a country divided!

Upon reflection, there was an undeniable and all-encompassing sense of patriotism and unity among all Americans following 9/11. On 9/12 American flags were flying high from homes, buildings and fluttering from car antennas. Police officers, first responders and our military were ap-

plauded and revered by all. Congress sang "God Bless America" together on the steps of the U. S. Capitol. We were a country focused and unified.

Seemingly, back in 2001, everybody was somehow, or in some way, connected to those who bravely forged into the Twin Towers and ascended those stairs, or those who assisted the injured on the ground, or to those who attempted to stop the hijackers, and sadly to those who lost their lives. America was angry. We lost 2,977 people from 93 different nations that fateful morning. The 9/11 attacks created a unique political unity as the public largely set aside political differences and rallied in support of the nation's major institutions, as well as its political leadership.

"Never forget" is the phrase to honor the lives lost in the September 11, 2001, attacks. So, while we "never forget" how we felt on September 11, 2001, let's also "never forget" how we felt as a people and nation on September 12, 2001. God Bless America!

Note: A similar article was published in September 2002 and September 2021. I offer this newly penned version with additional thoughts and reflections.

- Dynamic Roadway: Navigating situational awareness, intersection and potential hazards
- Industry-Endorsed Safe Driving Tools and Policies: Journey Management, Parking considerations and the role of Telematics
- Oil & Gas Driving Hazards: Specific challenges and hazards in the industry and region

Veriforce's Safe Driver course will take place on Wednesday, October 23rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Bridgeport. The cost to attend the course is \$75 per person. Lunch will be provided.

To register for and/or sponsor the Veriforce Safe Driver Training, go to www.gowv.com/events or call GOWV at 304-344-9867.

The second training seminar coming up is a partnership between WV 811 and OH 811 and will be two Excavator Safety Seminars. These FREE excavator seminars are vital opportunities that provide underground damage prevention education, law updates, industry news and information on Universal Marking Standards. These seminars will include a Q & A segment and provide the

opportunity to collaborate with industry professionals from both OH 811 and WV 811. There are many similarities in the dig laws for each state, but there are also some distinct differences. These seminars will provide an overview of each state's laws and highlight the differences for those organizations that may operate in both. The objective at the end of the session is to increase knowledge and provide resources in an effort to reduce damages across the industry.

The Excavator seminars will take place at the following:

- Wednesday, November 6th
Grand Pointe Conference Center
1500 Grand Central Ave., Suite 118
Parkersburg, WV 26105
- Thursday, November 7th
The Highlands Event Center
355 Wharton Circle, Suite 235
Triadelphia, WV 26059

To register for and/or sponsor the Excavator Safety Seminar, go to www.OHIO811.org or call OH811 at 800-311-3692 after September 16th.

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Sports Weekend

Driver Safety Training

Excavator Safety Training



Transmission) from 1995 to 2011. From 1982 to 1985 he worked at Cabot Oil and Gas' drilling and production division in Charleston, WV. 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 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.

Craig Colombo is Vice President for Gas Supply at Hope Gas. He has over 38 years in the oil and gas industry and has worked with Hope Gas for 34 of those years. During his years with the Hope Gas, Colombo has been responsible for the procurement and contracting of natural gas supplies and the contracting of pipeline and storage capacity with multiple upstream interstate pipelines.

He has also served on the Board of Directors of the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) for over 14 years, an industry forum for the development and promotion of standards which lead to a seamless marketplace for the industry.

Colombo is the proud father of two sons, two daughters and seven grandchildren.

Brett Loflin is the Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for Northeast Natural Energy LLC based in Charleston, WV. Prior to joining Northeast in August of 2010 he served as Director of Regulatory Compliance for Atlas Energy and Manager of Regulatory Compliance for Chesapeake Energy. Mr. Loflin also worked for over 20 years as the staff engineer and director of the West Virginia Oil and Gas Conservation Commission. Loflin is a past president of IOGAWV and has served a combined three terms on the IOGAWV and GO-WV Board of Directors. He is a West Virginia native and a 1982 graduate of West Virginia University with a degree in Petroleum Engineering. He resides in Charleston, West Virginia with his wife Beth and has two children Evan and Katherine and two grandchildren, so far.

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. He has been active in industry associations, as well, with service to WVONGA and the GO-WV Board of Directors. He graduated from South Charleston High School in 1984 and attended Marshall University from 1984 to 1987. He is married and has two children.

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 two terms, including their period of the merger with WVONGA. 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 served as GO-WV Chair in 2023-2024.

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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from India looking to visit. SCUSA is currently setting up visits to our region for prospects from SelectUSA looking for sites.

Recently, at the National Speakers Association (NSA) Conference in Denver we heard how FEAR (False Evidence Appearing Real) can stop us from reaching our dreams. We can overcome fear by doing the thing we fear. Great leaders know using fear and intimidation does NOT bring out the best in people. I worked briefly for a company who used fear to create stress. It never improved performance.

At NSA in Denver, Sunday morning's opening keynote speaker, Brian Bird, helped 700 people to let go of their fears and break boards with their bare hands. Great leaders help people to believe in their ability to succeed. They understand how to drive out fear and allow their people to fail, learn and move forward. In athletics, business, sales, dating and relationships fear holds us back from being the best we can be.

Our industry faces the challenges of product price, drilling economical wells, technical issues, Federal regulations, infrastructure challenges and the anti-fossil fuel movement. The reality is, the United States would still be in the middle of an energy crisis without horizontal drilling and American natural gas. EVs, solar panels and windmills all require oil and natural gas to exist. Natural gas is the perfect back up fuel for intermittent renewables. Natural gas has helped lower U.S. emissions by over 20% while global emissions continue to increase. Manufacturing and high wage jobs are coming to the USA and American companies are expanding because of clean, dependable economical natural gas. The reality is, to keep lights, heat and AC on we need oil and natural gas. To have data centers and AI natural gas is the fuel of choice.

The public needs to understand what we already know. Are we willing to breakthrough our fear to tell our industry's story? Will we overcome fear and have the courage and common sense to find the best messengers outside of our industry to tell the public the truth about energy and the importance of American natural gas and oil to their daily lives.





2024 GO-WV Sports Weekend Sponsor Form

September 20, 2024 | Bridgeport Country Club

Company Name

Contact Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Telephone

Email

Sponsorship opportunities:

Diamond Event Sponsor

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

- _____ Registration and player gift
- _____ Breakfast
- _____ Lunch
- _____ Snack and beverage cart
- _____ Door prizes
- _____ Player awards
- _____ Entertainment

Hole Sponsor

\$1,000 (includes foursome fee, logo on signage at hole, on web site and in newsletter)

- _____ Hole number desired (based on availability)

Bronze Sponsor

\$500 (includes logo on signage, on web site and in newsletter)

- _____ Bronze Sponsor

Please visit <https://gowv.com/events/2024-sports-weekend-golf-outing-sponsorship-and-registration-options/> to register and pay online or return this form to GO-WV by September 1, 2024. Be sure to email a high resolution (300-dpi minimum) version of your company's color logo to lmillersmith@gowv.com.

Thank you for your continued support!

300 Summer Street, Suite 820 | Charleston, WV 25301 | (304) 344-9867





2024 GO-WV Sports Weekend Registration Form

September 20, 2024 | Bridgeport, WV

Company Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

Contact name for foursome

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 _____ @ \$100.00 per member
(Does not include golf) _____ @ \$170.00 per non-member

Single Member Golf (includes registration) _____ @ \$200.00 per member
Single Nonmember Golf (includes registration) _____ @ \$270.00 per non-member
Member Golf Foursome (includes registration) _____ @ \$700.00 per foursome
Nonmember Golf Foursome (includes registration) _____ @ \$900.00 per foursome

TOTAL \$ _____





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