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The SPE Gulf Coast Section leadership succession process is guided by identifying incoming talent and by participating members of study groups, committees, and board positions. As more volunteers move up in our organization, more positions become vacant, creating an opportunity for you to get involved. The future success of the GCS lies in the hands of these volunteers. I challenge you to review the many opportunities available within our section and contact the corresponding committee or study group chair and offer your support. Simply log on to www.spegcs.org and select the committees or study groups that interest you. Your details will be forwarded to the appropriate chair who will then contact you.

The GCS Scholarship Committee is now taking applications for the 2013-2014 academic year. The Committee is dedicated to increasing interest in the petroleum industry among graduating high school seniors and retaining students currently enrolled in petroleum-related academic disciplines. The committee works diligently to ensure a steady flow of focused, high-quality and talented graduates entering the petroleum industry. The deadline for applications is February 11, 2013. For more details about the program, please go to www.spegcs.org.

The 2013 Engineers Week Celebration will be held on February 17-23, 2013. Congratulations to the 2013 SPE-GCS Engineer of the Year nominee, Dr. John Lee with University of Houston and the SPE-GCS Young Engineer of the Year, Valerie Martone with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation. Both of these members deserve recognition for their enthusiasm and dedication to the section and the Society of Petroleum Engineers. Valerie will receive her award at the Young Engineer of the Year banquet on Monday, February 18.

As I mentioned in my December column, Hiep Vu (Past Chair) and the SPE-GCS Succession Planning and Nominating Committees have been hard at work identifying qualified candidates to fill various board positions for the 2013-2014 program year. During the SPE-GCS December Board meeting, Hiep presented the following slate of candidates for the Board’s consideration: Vice Chair Jeanne Perdue, OXY; Vice Treasurer Lucy King, Kinder Morgan; Secretary David Flores, Lucas Energy; Director-at-Large Dr. John Lee, University of Houston; Director-at-Large Trey Shaffer, ERM; and Director-at-Large Deepak Gala; Shell.

The Board voted unanimously to accept the proposed candidates for the upcoming program year—their biographies are featured in this issue of the Connect. Thank you to Hiep and his committees for providing the Board with a solid slate of section officers. I am confident that our future officers will help the section continue to deliver on its mission.

The SPE Gulf Coast Section Nominating Committee led by Hiep Vu is collecting nominations for international and regional SPE awards. International awards recognize individuals that make significant technical and professional contributions to the petroleum engineering profession and to the worldwide oil and gas industry. Regional and section awards recognize members who contribute exceptional service and leadership within SPE as well as making significant professional contributions within their technical discipline. Any member can nominate a deserving candidate either through the Nominating Committee or directly to SPE or on or before the deadline of February 15, 2013. Details can be found on the SPE website (www.spe.org).

Please send your comments and suggestions to me at: sbaumgartner@marathonoil.com.
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FEBRUARY 1962
Plans have surfaced for the spudding of the first wildcat in Ireland by Ambassador Oil and its partners. Reports are that the roughnecks will be very small men wearing green coveralls.

Meanwhile, back across the pond, wildcatting efforts in Nevada and Washington continue to turn up dry.

Nitrogen is touted as holding promise of solving so many oilfield production problems that demand may ultimately exceed supply. (What about CO2, folks?)

The first vessel ever designed specifically for drilling, the drill ship “Cuss II,” prepares to spud its first hole in Cook Inlet, Alaska.

U.S. active rig count – 1,647

FEBRUARY 1987
A new African counterpart to OPEC is off to a rocky start as Libya refuses to accept Egypt’s membership.

Meanwhile, Venezuela continues its efforts to boost its stature in the world oil markets by stressing its higher crude production capacity and insisting on a bigger OPEC production quota. (So, what else is new with OPEC, APEC, et al?)

As oil companies lobby against them, alcohol fuels designed to address air quality concerns continue to get mixed results from states considering the alternate fuels. (Even ultra-liberal Colorado delays any implementation efforts in its state.)

Brazil’s deepwater Campos Basin play continues to sizzle, and accelerated drilling plans are reported by the Brazilian government.

U.S. active rig count – 916

FEBRUARY 2002
Despite the seesaw effect of OPEC production decisions on global crude oil quality, there has been little change in the long-standing 55:45 (sour: sweet) global split. (Is that ratio higher than you thought it would be?)

Gulf of Mexico spar development continues apace, with on-going progress on Murphy’s Medussa and Dominion-Williams’ Devils Tower truss spars.

The U.S. wind industry ends its most productive year by doubling previous records for new installations. However, the expiration of the federal wind production tax credit at the end of the year is clouding the future for this renewable energy source.

Russian President Vladimir Putin continues his cagey end game with the U.S. and Saudi Arabia—ostensibly deferring to the Saudis with what appears to be minimal production cutbacks, while courting the U.S. over the Iraq situation by portraying his country as a reliable oil supply alternative to the Middle East.

Light sweet crude oil - $19.71/bbl; Natural gas - $2.05/MMbtu; U.S. active rig count – 853

THE REST OF THE YARN
This month we continue our extended look at the life and times of oil magnate, John D. Rockefeller.

On August 28, 1859, an event occurred that would dramatically impact the future of Rockefeller. A man named Edwin L. Drake tapped a rich reservoir of crude oil near Titusville, Pennsylvania, about 70 miles from Cleveland. Drake’s discovery of America’s first producing oil well marked the start of the modern petroleum industry. Even in those pre-automobile days, oil was extremely valuable because it could be refined into kerosene for lamps and lubricants for factories and farms.

When news of Drake’s strike hit Cleveland, businessmen raced to build refineries and find the quickest, most efficient way to transport kerosene to the East Coast and Europe. Rockefeller found himself in the right place at the right time.

The firm of Clark and Rockefeller purchased a half interest in a refinery company in 1863, and for the next few years, Rockefeller devoted himself to the oil business, studying it, analyzing it, and ultimately falling in love with it. The “bubbling crude,” he determined, was the something big he had been seeking. In 1865, at age 25, he purchased operating control of Cleveland’s largest refinery. “Someday,” he blurted out, “I’ll be the richest man in the world.” Meanwhile, Rockefeller was establishing a stable home life. In 1864, he married Laura Celestia Spelman—nicknamed Cettie—a deeply religious woman with whom he would have five children, only four of whom would survive to adulthood (one daughter lived for only a year after her birth).

Next month, a close look at JDR’s values and the raising of his children.

ANSWERS TO JANUARY’S QUIZ
The Kirkuk field in Iraq is the Middle East oil field that was drilled on an oil seep that was mentioned in Biblical times.

FEBRUARY’S QUIZ
What component of natural gas flows through a hole faster, conducts heat better, and transmits sound at a higher velocity than any other gas except for hydrogen?

CONGRATULATIONS TO NOVEMBER’S WINNER – GEORGE FENATI WITH BONANZA CREEK ENERGY
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The Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section (SPE-GCS) has selected Valerie Walker Martone as the 2013 Young Engineer of the Year (more on page 28). Valerie has worked very hard on the Section website makeover, and the Board would like to take this opportunity to thank her.

Valerie began her service in SPE-GCS as the Vice Treasurer, Construction and Facilities Study Group, where she helped implement the successful Expanding Facilities Knowledge Workshop series. She was an Ambassador Lecturer at Rice University, University of Houston, and Texas A&M Kingsville. In 2008, Valerie was selected to be on SPE-GCS Young Professionals Board, where she co-chaired the Emerging Engineers Conference. She also enjoyed interviewing SPE-GCS potential scholarship recipients and serving on the Executive Event Committee. She then served on the SPE-GCS Board of Directors as Director-at-Large, and subsequently as Communications Chair overseeing the section’s website and newsletter upgrades.
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THE LAUNCH OF THE NEW SPEGCS.ORG

By Valerie Martone, 2012-2013 Communications Director

In the September Connect, we announced that we were giving SPEGCS.ORG a facelift by rolling out an enhanced new website. The sleek new site would be faster, more user friendly, easier to maintain, more efficient and engaging. Our hope was that the new website would better align our members with the information they needed at their fingertips. We wanted to streamline the event creation and registration process for our volunteers and boost all the information tools that our members and visitors use everyday, such as the job board, committee and study group event registration, and archives of the presentations given.

The simple, organized format of our new site makes it easy to navigate to what you’re interested in, whether it’s tracking down a presentation you heard, learning how to advertise your company with us, or even finding a photo of you and your colleagues at a recent SPE-GCS event. One of the great things about our new site is its integration with SPEI as well as social networking sites such as LinkedIn, Facebook, Google+ and even Twitter.

We encourage you to sign up for the e-newsletter, become a member, or connect with other members on our various social media outlets. Make this your “go-to” place to connect with what’s happening in SPE-GCS.

Visit the new site now and let us know what you think. We’d love to hear your feedback.

We’d like to thank all who were involved for making these much-needed improvements a reality. Now what are you waiting for? Check it out and mark it as a favorite!

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David Flores has 24 years experience in engineering, management and consulting in the petroleum industry. He has extensive experience in well completions, sand control and production operations. David has completed projects in North and South America, the Gulf of Mexico, Asia and the Middle East. He has authored numerous engineering publications for the SPE and AADE. In 1988, he earned a MS in Petroleum Engineering from Texas A&M University. He has also served as the Completion and Production Study Group Chairman, Director-At-Large and Career Management Chairman for the Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section Board of Directors. David is also a past recipient of the SPE Production and Operations regional award.

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE:
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Deepak is the SME- Well Control Engineering at Shell and is based in Houston, TX. He has BS degree in chemical engineering from Mumbai University, a Master’s degree in natural gas engineering from Texas A&M University Kingsville and a Master’s degree in finance from Tulane University.

His oilfield career began in 2004 as a field engineer and then transitioning to a well-control engineer for Cudd Well Control where he gained industry experience in well-control engineering, blowout contingency plans, rig inspections, snubbing and coil-tubing operations. After joining Weatherford in 2006, he worked in air drilling, underbalanced drilling and managed-pressure drilling operations. In 2009, he became the United States region’s engineering lead, supporting the drilling hazard mitigation business unit where he helped to develop training standards, lead engineering studies, perform risk analyses on challenging wells and identify the appropriate applications. In 2011, he moved into a new role as North America Operational Excellence Manager. His added responsibilities included overseeing QHSE teams at the district level, systems engineering, business process optimization, financials, training and competency for the drilling hazard mitigation business unit. In Q4 of 2011, he transitioned into a technical-commercial role as a Commercial Manager, where he headed the United States tender response team and acted as the point-man for multiple product line tenders. He oversaw the tender, contract execution and administration processes.

With a dedication to advancing technology in his field, he has co-authored over 15 technical publications and is an instructor of “Introduction to Underbalanced Drilling” and “Introduction to Managed Pressure Drilling” at SPE conferences. He is co-author of a chapter on underbalanced drilling in the SPE’s Advanced Drilling & Well Technology textbook and is currently developing a new textbook that explores drilling hazard solutions.

His professional memberships include SPE, IADC, AADE, & CFA.

VICE CHAIR:
JEANNE PERDUE
Technical Writer
Occidental Petroleum, Middle East Support Team

Jeanne Perdue is a Technical Writer at Occidental Petroleum. After earning a BS in Chemistry from SUNY at Albany, she worked as a chemist and information specialist at the Texaco Research Labs. She then became an oil journalist, working as a technical editor at Hart’s E&P magazine and launching Upstream Technology magazine. Perdue has served as Scholarship Chair, Community Services Chair, Secretary and Membership Chair of the SPE Gulf Coast Section. She has received SPE service awards at the section, regional, and international levels and was instrumental in launching the SPE eLibrary and Magic Suitcase programs. Perdue was twice elected to the Alief ISD school board and now serves on the industry advisory boards of HCC’s PetroTech program and the UH Petroleum Engineering Dept.
New Board Members

**W. John Lee**
Professor and Cullen Distinguished University Chair
University of Houston - Petroleum Engineering Department

John Lee is Professor of Petroleum Engineering and holder of the Cullen Distinguished University Chair at The University of Houston. John holds BS, MS and PhD degrees in chemical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Prior to his professorship, he worked for ExxonMobil early in his career and specialized in integrated reservoir studies. He later joined the Petroleum Engineering faculty at Texas A&M and became a Regents Professor of Petroleum Engineering. While at A&M, he also served as a consultant with S.A. Holditch & Associates, where he specialized in reservoir engineering aspects of unconventional gas resources. He joined the University of Houston faculty in September 2011.

He served as an Academic Engineering Fellow with the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) in Washington during 2007-2008 and was a principal architect of the modernized SEC rules for reporting oil and gas reserves.

John is the author of three textbooks published by SPE and has received numerous awards from SPE including the Lucas Medal, the DeGolyer Distinguished Service Medal and Honorary Membership. He is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering and the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences.

**Lucy King**
Reservoir Engineer
Kinder Morgan

Lucy King is a reservoir engineer with Kinder Morgan CO2 Company, L.P. She has been responsible for SEC reserves reporting since 2004. She has over 30 years experience in reservoir engineering, financial analysis, production engineering and operations with emphasis on secondary and tertiary recovery. Prior to joining Kinder Morgan, Lucy spent seven years with Miller and Lents, Ltd. and over 15 years with Amoco Production Company. While at Amoco, she worked on all aspects of the Slaughter Field CO2 projects (pilots, project approval, implementation and start-up) and subsequently worked in West Texas for the start-up of the projects.

From 1984 through 1987, Lucy was an active member of the South Plains Section in Lubbock, TX and held most Section offices. She chaired the section in 1986-1987. In 1987, Lucy received the SPEI Young Member Outstanding Service Award. She was a long-standing member of the Gulf Coast Section General Meeting Committee serving in all positions, including chairman. In 2009, Lucy received a Section Service Award from the Gulf Coast Section. She was a 2010-2012 Director-at-Large and 2012-2013 Secretary for the Gulf Coast Section. Lucy is a member of the SPE Technical Interest Group (TIG) Coordinating Committee and has been the chair for the SPE Reservoir Management TIG since 2003.

Lucy holds a BS in chemical engineering from Tulane University. She is a member of the Society of Petroleum Evaluation Engineers (SPEE), a registered professional engineer in the State of Texas and a 30+ year member of the SPE.

**Trey Shaffer**
Managing Partner
Environmental Resources Management

Mr. Trey Shaffer is a Senior Partner with Environmental Resources Management (ERM) based in Houston, Texas. Trey joined ERM in 2003. His current position is Managing Partner, Oil & Gas – North America.

For nearly 25 years, Mr. Shaffer has focused on delivering a broad range of environmental consulting and construction services to oil and gas sector clients around the world. He has had the opportunity to hold senior leadership roles in operations, client management and sector leadership functions. Mr. Shaffer is currently the Managing Partner for ERM’s Oil & Gas Sector in North America and he is broadly familiar with all aspects of ERM’s business. He supports clients with a variety of needs including climate change, transaction services, management systems, sustainability, impact assessment and permitting for upstream greenfield development/new construction, brownfield re-development and broad environmental and regulatory compliance.
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Beyond Shale Production:
Infrastructure, Industry and Jobs

The first part of this presentation will present the impact of rapidly increasing shale oil and gas production and reserves on the need for new midstream energy infrastructure in the United States to handle crude oil, natural gas and natural gas liquids. Examples of several major projects that are currently underway will be cited.

The second part of the presentation will be a discussion of how the increasing production and reserves are impacting U.S. industrial growth, particularly in the petrochemical sector, but in other areas as well.

Finally, the overall impact and job creation associated with the new shale oil and gas production will be examined.

Bill Ordemann

Bill Ordemann is the Group Senior Vice President of Unregulated NGLs, Crude Oil and Natural Gas Assets of the general partner of Enterprise Products Partners L.P. He is responsible for the company’s onshore and offshore natural gas and crude oil pipelines, natural gas processing and storage assets and NGL fractionation and storage facilities. Enterprise Products Partners is one of the largest publicly traded partnerships and a leading North American provider of midstream energy services.

Bill began his 31-year career with Shell’s upstream exploration and production organization and held positions of increasing levels of responsibility in engineering, operations and management related to offshore and gulf coast production operations. He made the transition into midstream operations in 1995 and for the next four years worked on developing plans and new infrastructure to handle increasing “rich” gas production from the deep water Gulf of Mexico. Bill joined Enterprise as Vice President of its general partner in connection with its purchase of certain midstream energy assets from Shell in 1999. He was elected Sr. Vice President in 2001 and continued developing midstream infrastructure, particularly in the Rocky Mountain region, until being elected as Executive Vice President and COO in 2007 with responsibilities for Enterprise’s Operations, Engineering and EHS&T functions. He returned to the commercial side of the business and assumed his current role in 2012.

Bill holds a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Virginia Tech.
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This presentation will touch on elements from three of Mike’s more popular seminars:

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- Proppant Performance: Recognizing that fractures degrade
- Refracs: When do they work and when do they fail?

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Mike has recently written two large papers summarizing the refrac results from more than 140 published restimulation studies. He will only have time to touch on refrac issues during this presentation but promises to share some refrac thoughts and references.

Mike Vincent

Mike Vincent is a consulting engineer with more than 20 years of experience in economic optimization of hydraulic fractures. After completing his degree at the Colorado School of Mines, he worked with Amoco in Denver and with ARCO in Anchorage, Kuparuk and Denver. Mike started Insight Consulting in 1996, specializing in fracture design and reservoir analyses. Mike has also provided technical support to CARBO Ceramics since 1997, allowing him to analyze frac treatments in reservoirs around the world. He has written more than 25 technical papers, has been awarded two patents and has instructed more than 100 seminars on fluid flow, fracture design and practical production optimization. Mike frequently lectures at universities and presents fracturing schools to numerous companies and organizations. He recently served as a Distinguished Lecturer and Distinguished Author for SPE.

Digital Energy Study Group Meeting

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The presentation will focus on the role of geomechanics in understanding the fundamental physics behind the stimulation of fractured, unconventional plays. Moreover, the geomechanical foundations, or lack thereof, for the common empirical ‘wisdom’ for the completion of unconventional plays will be reviewed including the geomechanical significance of microseismicity. The presentation will also focus on the application of the new numerical techniques that overcome the limitations of pseudo-3D models for stimulation design in unconventional plays.

Marisela Sanchez-Nagel

Dr. Sanchez-Nagel is currently General Manager and Principal Engineer with Itasca Houston. She has more than 20 years of oil and gas industry experience in geomechanics for near-wellbore and reservoir geomechanics applications. She started her career at Intevep, the technology center of PDVSA, in Venezuela and worked there for 15 years. She then became president of Global GeoSolutions, an independent geomechanics consulting company in Latin America. Sanchez-Nagel later worked for GMI for two years before coming to Itasca Houston as General Manager in 2007. Dr. Sanchez-Nagel has worked on many geomechanical projects around the world, has presented at numerous geomechanics schools throughout North and South America, is on the 2013 ARMA Program Committee and is currently serving as a 2012-2013 SPE Distinguished Lecturer.
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J. Ross Craft

J. Ross Craft has served as President and Chief Executive Officer since the formation of Approach Resources in September, 2002. Prior to forming Approach Resources, Mr. Craft co-founded Athanor Resources Inc. in 1998 and was the Executive Vice President until its merger with Nuevo Energy Company in September, 2002. Mr. Craft has more than 30 years of experience in the oil and gas industry and holds a B.S. in Petroleum Engineering from Texas A&M University. Mr. Craft is also an Eagle Scout.
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Jonathan Stigant

Jonathan Stigant graduated with a B.Sc in Engineering Science from the University of Durham. He spent 11 years in the Royal Navy, six as a hydrographic surveyor. In 1981, Jonathan emigrated to Houston, Texas and has spent 30 + years working for a wide range of companies including Chevron for 14 years and Devon Energy for five years. He now works as an independent consultant providing training and geospatial quality management to a variety of oil and gas operators worldwide. Jonathan has made numerous presentations and lunch and learns. His talks provide a hard-hitting, as well as humorous, focus on a foundational technology.
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Ingebrigt Masvie

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There are numerous published analytical and simulation methods for the design of waterfloods; however, the literature has, to an extent, been silent on reservoir surveillance to help monitor and improve existing waterfloods.

This talk will focus on the general reservoir engineering workflow used to conduct surveillance and analyze waterflood performance. This will be done by conducting analytical waterflood diagnostics and optimization potential on real waterflood case studies. After examining waterflood diagnostics at a field/reservoir level, the concept of communication analysis will be introduced at a pattern/individual well level to specifically pinpoint areas with upside potential (water cycling/channeling, poor communication, etc) where techniques such as gel treatments and pattern reconfigurations would be ideal.

Over the last few years, the author has been involved in designing and implementing waterfloods in tight oil reservoirs, such as the Bakken, using multi-stage horizontal producers and injectors. The upside potential of waterflooding these tight reservoirs and the key parameters to consider will be presented using simulation data as well as actual field results.

Kerry Sandhu

Kerry Sandhu, General Manager (Canada) at Gaffney, Cline & Associates, a division of Baker Hughes, has worked on numerous reservoir characterization/reservoir simulation projects both locally and internationally. He graduated with distinction from the University of Calgary with a B.Sc. in Oil and Gas Engineering. He has worked as a reservoir engineer for 11 years where, in addition to co-authoring several technical papers, he has worked on various reservoir engineering studies including projects focused on tight oil reservoirs, waterflooding, CO2 immiscible/miscible flooding, naturally fractured reservoirs, offshore waterflooding of reservoirs, heavy oil waterflooding, thermal simulation (SAGD, CSS, and steam flooding) and horizontal multi-stage frac optimization. He is a registered professional engineer in Alberta and is a member of both SPE and APEGGA.
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Todd Bush

Todd Bush founded Energent Group to provide upstream market research and intelligence through data compilations and related services. He is actively engaged with operators and oilfield service companies to extract and compile industry trends from public and proprietary data. He received his BBA in Information & Operations Management from Texas A&M and his MBA from the Rice University Jones School of Management.
2013 SPE-GCS Young Engineer of the Year

Valerie Walker Martone

The Society of Petroleum Engineers Gulf Coast Section (SPE GCS) is pleased to select Valerie Walker Martone as the 2013 Young Engineer of the Year. Valerie is currently a Senior Upstream Operations Engineer at Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for the Mozambique LNG project, Anadarko’s largest natural gas discovery to date. Previously, she worked in the deep water Gulf of Mexico division as a Senior Production Engineer for the following eastern gulf assets: Independence Hub, Neptune, Blind Faith and Pompano. In 2011, Valerie was presented Anadarko’s Innovators Award for developing a new procedure that saved millions of dollars in potential lost production. Before joining Anadarko, Valerie worked at BHP Billiton in the facilities, production and reservoir engineering disciplines on their Shenzi, Atlantis, Neptune, Mad Dog, Mustang, Starlifter and West Cameron 76 assets in the Gulf of Mexico shelf and deep waters. She also is one of the founders of their Young Professionals Organization.

Valerie graduated from Texas A&M University in 2004 with a Bachelors of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering with numerous honors including Pi Tau Sigma (National Mechanical Engineering Honor Society), Dean’s List and National Collegiate Honors while being active in her sorority, Kappa Delta. Valerie enjoys engineering for its challenges and creative problem solving while collaborating with others. Valerie’s hobbies include painting, playing her violin in the church orchestra, Aggie sporting events, golfing, traveling the world, reading and especially spending time with her family.

Valerie’s accomplishment will be published in the Houston Business Journal and she will receive her award at the Young Engineer of the Year Banquet.

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