



March 2, 2020

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Start of the 2019/2020 Meeting Session Next Meeting – Monday, March 9

The next Club meeting of this session is scheduled for **Monday, March 9, 2020 at 11:30 am at Maggiano's Restaurant at Perimeter Mall on Ashford-Dunwoody Road** in the Capri and Bellagio Rooms (downstairs—first and second rooms on the right as you enter Maggiano's). Our topic and speaker for the meeting will be:

Topic

Emerging Technologies in Terminal Fire Protection

Speaker

Ben Entrekin, PE, CFPS from Pond and Company

Mr. Entrekin is the Oil & Gas Fire Protection Lead at Pond. A graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology in Mechanical Engineering, Mr. Entrekin has spent 20+ years in the oil & gas / fueling industry, starting in product movement and expanding to compliance services when a need was seen for a bridge between responders, regulators, owners and engineers. Prior to joining Pond, Ben managed the Fire Protection Code Compliance program for Kinder Morgan's network of refined product pipelines and terminals. Ben holds Professional Engineering licenses in multiple states and is a Certified Fire Protection Specialist with the National Fire Protection Association.

Lunch will be provided at a cost of \$30 for members or \$40 for non-members. Please note that members typically start arriving at 11am and lunch will start promptly at 11:30am. If you plan to attend, please **RSVP** to the Club's website at www.atlantapipeliners.com by **COB Wednesday, March 5**.

As a note to our members who are Professional Engineers, attendance at our monthly meeting presentations can be counted towards your continuing education requirements.

February Meeting Information

The February meeting was very well attended. The topic was

Changes to the Endangered Species Act

Presented by Rich Reeves, Ph.D, CEP, with Jacobs

Rich Reeves is a Senior Ecologist with Jacobs, assigned to their Atlanta office. He received his BS in Wildlife Ecology and Resource Management from the University of Wyoming and his Ph.D. in Wetland Ecology from Purdue University. He has worked in environmental consulting for over 25 years, with his work focusing on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and National Environmental Policy Act documentation. Rich has worked predominantly for the Department of Defense and the pipeline industry throughout his career. He is active in the Georgia Botanical Society and leads wildflower walks throughout the state.

His contact information and a copy of his presentation will be placed on the Club's website at www.atlantapipeliners.com.

What's New? - Important Changes – Please Read

In November the Club will raffled two (2) \$50 prizes to current members of the Pipeliners Club! This was in efforts to promote becoming/renewing your membership early in the Club's 2019/2020 Session. Even though the raffle is complete, please become a new member or renew your membership if you have not already.

Membership for students and interns are now ***FREE***. You must register to attend the lunches. Lunch for our student and intern members will cost \$30.

As last couple of years, beginning in **September** the cost of lunch for non-members will be \$40, and the cost of lunch for members will remain \$30.

Club Meetings 2019/2020 Session

Please mark your calendars for the meetings to be held during the 2019/2020 session. The Club meets the **second Monday** of the following months.

August 12

September 9

October 14

November 11

No December Meeting

January 13

February 10

March 9

April 13 (Joint Meeting w/ NACE – Hosted by NACE this year)

Annual Golf Tournament for Scholarship Fund

On May 18, 2020, the Club will hold its annual golf tournament at Berkley Hills Country Club in Duluth Georgia to raise funds for the Club's Scholarship Program. Details about sign-ups and sponsorships will be provided in March. Respond quickly since the tournament sells out every year.

Membership Drive

We continue to make good progress improving our membership and want to continue to improve the Club's value to its members. So please, talk it up to your colleagues and business associates. A larger Club makes for more networking opportunities. As mentioned above, in September our non-members will be required to pay \$40 for lunch each month. We would like for this increase to be an incentive for non-members to join to increase membership, keep our member's luncheon at \$30 and compensate for what the Club has to pay in addition to the \$30 for member's each month.

Please note that we will be using our modified membership process again this year. We no longer are requiring an annual enrollment. Instead, if you were a member last year, or the previous year, you will receive a notice for payment of dues (\$55) via e-mail. If your contact information has changed you will need to register again on the Club's website at www.atlantapipeliners.com to update your information.

For new members, please register online at www.atlantapipeliners.com and either bring to the next meeting or mail a check with your membership dues to the:

Club Treasurer, Stan Pitts
Southeast Connections, LLC
2384 Georgian Terrace
Snellville, GA 30078

Please invite your co-workers, clients, vendors, suppliers and contractors to participate. If you have any questions about membership, please contact the Club's Membership Chair, Ben Grove at 678-327-2963.

Meeting Presentations

In an effort to remain as relevant as possible to our Membership, we are always interested in your comments regarding our presentations or your suggestions for future speakers. If you have someone or some topic in mind that would be of interest to you, please drop a note to Kim Lawson/Southern Company Gas the Club's Vice President and Program Chair. You can reach Kimberly at 404-584-3246 or at klawson@southernco.com.



Club Officers

For anyone with questions about Club activities or who is interested in serving as an officer in the Club, please contact one of the Club's current officers. The current officers for the Club include:

President: Ralph McCollum/Southern Company Gas, rmccollu@southernco.com, 404-584-3733

Vice President/Program Chair: Kim Lawson/Southern Company Gas, Klawson@southernco.com, 404-584-3246

Treasurer: Stan Pitts/Southeast Connections, LLC, StanP@seconnections.com, 404-379-3916

Secretary: Jerry Aycock/Kinder Morgan, jerry_aycock@kindermorgan.com, 770-751-4165

Membership Chair: Ben Grove/Stantec, benjamin.grove@stantec.com, 678-327-2963

Scholarship Chair: Greg Dempsey/Kinder Morgan, greg_dempsey@kindermorgan.com, 770-751-4143

Fundraising Chair: Jerry Brown, jerrybbrown@bellsouth.net, 404-538-3560; and Todd Cape/AGL Resources, tcape@southernco.com, 404-584-4518

