

2011 TAPL AWARDS

2011 COMPANY OF THE YEAR



Samson – 2011 Company of the Year

The Tulsa Association of Petroleum Landmen is pleased to announce in conjunction with its first awards program that the “2011 Company of the Year” honor was awarded to Samson Resources Company. We are particularly proud to honor Samson due to their storied support of our Association. Samson is a privately-held independent exploration and production company and has been headquartered in Tulsa since 1971. Samson and their members have provided decades of service to TAPL. They are currently represented by 56 TAPL members. They have always encouraged their entire Land Department to join and be active in TAPL and we are tremendously grateful for their support. Samson employees have been involved in every capacity including Active Membership, Associate Membership, committee involvement, chairing Committees, Executive Board service, Regional AAPL Director service, and President of TAPL.

Samson has consistently been generous in its support of various networking events for TAPL, including the skeet shoot, the fall golf tournament and the spring golf tournament. In addition, Samson has been an ardent supporter of educational events offered by TAPL for its membership. The 2011 Company of the Year Award was accepted by Mr. Kevin Morris, Vice President of Human Resources for Samson.

“On behalf of Samson Resources, thank you for this award. It’s an honor to be recognized by an organization that we depend so heavily on for our long term success. I would also like to thank the landmen and women of Samson. Their ability and dedication to furthering the land profession, to Samson, to the petroleum industry and to Tulsa is what made this award possible. Thank you again for recognizing Samson and our commitment to TAPL.”

Kevin G. Morris, Vice President, Human Resources

2011 LANDMAN OF THE YEAR

The “TAPL 2011 Landman of the Year” honor was awarded to **Pat Bowman**, senior landman for Laredo Petroleum, Inc. Pat has been fortunate to be involved in several areas of the oil and gas industry over the past 42 years. She began her career working in land for Kerr-McGee Corporation, then joined Grace Petroleum as a Title Supervisor. In January 1981, she became a landman for C&K Petroleum in Oklahoma City. While most of her career has been spent working as an in-house landman, she also owned her own landman consulting business for several years.

In 1986, she relocated to Tulsa to be a landman for Santa Fe Energy and Tulsa has been her home ever since! She spent 18 years working for Helmerich & Payne, Inc./Cimarex before joining Laredo in July, 2008.

She has served on the TAPL Board on several occasions over the course of her career. While she has readily served as both Secretary and Vice President in the past, her real passion has always been in education and in following current legislative and regulatory issues. This enthusiasm led to a leadership role in establishing the first TAPL Energy Forum, which was held in February of 2006 and again in 2007. Continuing her dedication to TAPL, she currently serves as membership placement coordinator for the Career Assistance Program.

When not working, she enjoys spending time with her 4 children and 5 grandchildren. She is also very involved in her church activities, such as singing at nursing homes and making hospital visitations.

Her willingness to serve TAPL and her dedication to the industry makes Pat a perfect fit for “Landman of the Year.”



Pat Bowman – Landman of the Year



Curtis Johnson – Rookie of the Year

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

The “TAPL 2011 Rookie of the Year” honor is awarded to **Curtis Johnson**, Associate Landman for Cimarex Energy Co. Curtis graduated from Evangel University in 2003 with a Bachelor in Business Administration and a minor in Finance. After working as a financial planner for five years, he began his oil and gas career in July 2008 at Cimarex Energy Co., in the Gulf Coast region. Curtis became a member of TAPL a few months later.

Immediately after joining, he started assisting with golf tournaments and TAPL advertising. He helped raise money for the last four golf tournaments and is responsible for all the signs you see at each event. Curtis is currently responsible for raising money for monthly dinners and website sponsors. He also assisted Willie Barron and Jim Mitschke in organizing the first ever 2010 TAPL skeet shoot.

Outside of TAPL, he is a member of OCAPL, AAPL and the Autism Center of Tulsa, where he previously served on the board for five years. A resident of Owasso, he enjoys hunting, golfing, traveling and working outdoors. But most of all, he enjoys spending time with his wife Lindsey, daughter Lexington and dogs Lilly & Junebug.

His involvement and commitment to TAPL truly makes Curtis deserving of “Rookie of the Year.”

Lifetime Achievement Award

The “TAPL 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award” was presented to **Charles C. Stanford, CPL**, for his contribution to TAPL since 1969 and to the industry for the last 50 years. Presented by longtime colleague Dwayne Allen, this award honors a TAPL member for distinguishing the land profession through leadership, integrity, contribution to the industry, profession and community throughout their career.



Charles Stanford – Lifetime Achievement Award

After growing up in the Holdenville area of Hughes County, Oklahoma, Charles graduated from OU in 1961. He was one of five graduates in the third graduating class of the newly formed PLM program. He began his career working for Standard Oil Co. of California in 1961, then worked for Amerada Petroleum and its successor Amerada Hess from 1962-1973. His Amerada career took him to Tulsa, Williston, North Dakota, Tyler, Texas, Columbus, Ohio and Oklahoma City. During his career he has also worked for and was Vice President of Land for both Calvert Exploration and Samson Resources

Company. In 1983 he returned to Amerada Hess in Houston where he was manager of onshore land until given early retirement effective January 1, 1995. Since his retirement he has spent the last 16 years working contract and consulting for various companies, as well as providing expert testimony in lawsuits. He is currently employed by SM Energy.

TAPL president in 1977, he has also served on the board several times. He is a former ETAPL officer, a member of OCAPL and has been a member of AAPL since 1964. He has been a CPL since establishment of the program. His AAPL service includes: board member for four years, Treasurer, 3rd Vice President, Chairman of the Ethics Committee (twice), Chairman of the Forms Committee, Chairman of the Committee that authored the 1982 JOA, and member of the Long Range Planning Committee. While living in Houston, he was on the industry advisory board for the University of Houston PLM program.

His first wife LuAnn gave him 47 years of marriage and three children. He has been married to Alice for 4 years and together they enjoy 5 grandchildren. His community service includes volunteering through RSVP at the Head Start program and was part of a team that monitored the Protective Order court. Since returning to Tulsa, Charles has been an active member of College Hill Presbyterian Church where he was elected an Elder, served on the session on two separate occasions and has also been chairman of the Finance and Stewardship Committees as well as a member of the Personnel Committee.

His 50 years of commitment and service to the land profession, oil industry, community and family makes TAPL gratefully honored to call Charles C. Stanford the recipient of our first “TAPL Lifetime Achievement Award.”



**2011 TAPL Award Winners with TAPL Board and Guest Speaker
Mayor Dewey Bartlett, Jr.**

