

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

Black Lab Pub, Churchill Room • 4100 Montrose Blvd.

Social 5:30 p.m., Dinner 6:30 p.m.

**Cost: \$30 Preregistered members; \$30 non-members/walk-ups**

**To guarantee a seat, pre-register on the HGS website & pre-pay by credit card.**

**Pre-registration without payment will not be accepted.**

**Walk-ups may pay at the door if extra seats are available.**

## HGS Environmental & Engineering Dinner Meeting

**Paul Parsons**

*Energy Training Resources, LLC*

### An Up-Close View of Oil and Gas Drilling and Completion

There are about 1,800 drilling rigs operating in the United States right now and almost half of these are working in Texas. Some of the areas of highest activity in Texas include the Permian Basin in West Texas, the Eagle Ford Shale in South Texas, and the Barnett Shale around Fort Worth. A large portion of the rigs are drilling horizontal shale wells that are completed with hydraulic fracturing.

Paul Parsons will present a discussion of the boom in shale drilling and the reasons for the recent shift away from gas-prone shale to the current focus on liquids-prone shale. Then, he will show segments of a video about how a horizontal well is drilled and completed. These segments are excerpts from a two-hour video produced by his company called "Oil and Gas Drilling: From Planning to Production." Mr. Parsons scripted and directed the video. This video is being used by more than 400 different companies, investors, and educational institutions. The video sells

for \$500 per copy, so this is a good opportunity to be able to see key portions during this HGS meeting. ■

#### **Biographical Sketch**

PAUL PARSONS is Managing Director and founder of Energy Training Resources, LLC, which provides industry overview courses for oil and gas companies and other clients. He previously spent 27 years working for a large oil and gas company in senior financial roles. Mr. Parsons has a Bachelor in Business Administration in accounting from the University of Texas, a Masters in Business Administration from the University of Houston, and is a Certified Public Accountant. He also has a certificate in Professional Land Management.

