

Monday, May 14, 2018

**New Location**

Live Oak Room • Norris Conference Center • 816 Town and Country Blvd #210  
Social Hour 5:30–6:30 p.m.  
Dinner 6:30–7:30 p.m.

**Cost: \$40 Preregistered members; \$45 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.**

*If you are an Active or Associate Member who is unemployed and would like to attend this meeting, please call the HGS office for a discounted registration cost. We are also seeking members to volunteer at the registration desk for this and other events.*

## HGS General Dinner Meeting

**Susan M. Cunningham**

*Darcy Partners*

**William “Bill”**

**Maloney**

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# Voices of Experience – Having a Successful Geoscience Career: Stories and Advice from Two Distinguished Exploration Vice Presidents

The May HGS dinner meeting is a joint meeting of the North American and the International Explorationists Groups. Susan Cunningham and William (Bill) Maloney are two distinguished oil and gas executives who started their careers in the early 1980s. They each built highly successful careers in major oil companies, spearheading efforts that led to major stake oil and gas discoveries in the U.S. and around the world. Susan and

Bill have graciously accepted the invitation to talk about their careers, their successes and challenges over their three decades of work experience. There will be time for audience participation through moderated questions and answers from the audience. This is an excellent opportunity for individuals starting their careers (NeoGeos) as well as ‘experienced’ professionals to attend and participate. ■

### Biographical Skteches

**SUSAN M. CUNNINGHAM** began as an entry level geologist and rose through the corporate ranks at Amoco, Texaco, Statoil and Noble Energy. She holds a bachelor's degree in geology and physical geography from McMaster University in Ontario, Canada and has also completed a management program through Rice University's Office of Executive Development. Susan began her career in 1980 as a geologist at Amoco Canada in Calgary prior to moving to Houston in 1981 to join Amoco's International Region where she held various exploration and development positions. From 1997-1999 Susan managed teams at Statoil where she was responsible for West Africa and Deepwater Gulf of Mexico exploration. In 2000, Susan served as Texaco's Vice President of core worldwide exploration. Susan retired from Noble Energy in 2017, where she was Executive Vice President of EHSR (Environment, Health, Safety and Regulatory), global exploration and business innovation. While at Noble she guided the company's exploration efforts as they expanded internationally where she supervised Gulf of Mexico, Africa and Frontier Ventures and operations and the historic discovery and frontier success of Leviathon field in offshore Israel. Today she is an advisor for Darcy Partners, a research company connecting oil and gas companies with emerging technologies. Be sure to read an interview with Susan published in *GeoExpro*: <https://www.geoexpro.com/articles/2015/11/psychology-of-exploration>



**WILLIAM “BILL” MALONEY** received his MSc in Geology from Syracuse University in 1981 and began his career with Shell Oil Company in Houston as a geologist in the Rocky Mountain Division. Over time he took on positions of increasing responsibility in the US and international arena. Upon leaving Shell in 1995 where he served as Region Manager for Latin America, Bill was the Director of International E&P for Davis Petroleum from 1995-1996. Bill next served as Vice President of Exploration and New Ventures for Texaco until 2002. From 2002-2008 Bill was the Senior Vice President, Global Exploration (GEX) for Statoil where he was responsible for all of Statoil's international exploration activity. Bill retired from Statoil in 2015 as the Executive Vice President of Development and Production North America. In this capacity he played a key role in Statoil's Corporate Executive Committee and was Statoil's senior executive in North America. Bill has served on the National Petroleum Council and was a member of the board of API. He is on AAPG's corporate advisory board and on the Energy Advisory Board for the University of Houston. Bill is an avid tennis player and still maintains an active interest in music. He is currently on the Board of Directors of Trident Energy and ATX Energy and also serves as a senior energy advisor to Warburg Pincus. Maloney was recently interviewed by *Forbes* magazine: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/uhenergy/2017/11/20/is-this-a-normal-business-cycle-or-are-we-seeing-structural-changes-to-the-energy-business/>

