



**PAPG Meeting**  
**Radisson - Green Tree**  
**18 March 2010**

## **The Shifting Sands of US Energy Policy**

*presented by*

### **David Curtiss**

Director of the Geoscience & Energy Office  
– Washington, D.C.

### **Abstract:**

Not a day passes without a newspaper story about energy. Whether it is hydraulic fracturing, the President's proposed tax changes for oil and gas companies, access to public lands, "green" jobs, or climate change, the subject of energy has captured the attention of the media, citizens, and politicians.

As petroleum geoscientists and professionals we have a stake in this debate and the knowledge to shape a considered outcome. We must be engaged.

AAPG's Division of Professional Affairs has a Governmental Affairs Committee that with the AAPG Geoscience & Energy Office – Washington, D.C. (GEO-DC) works to bring energy geoscience expertise to the policy making process and equip members to get personally involved.

### **Biography:**

David Curtiss currently serves as the Director of the Geoscience & Energy Office – Washington, D.C. (GEO-DC) for the American Association of Petroleum Geologists. He previously was Deputy Director.

*Following a presentation on GEO-DC activities and current policy issues affecting the petroleum community, the floor will be open for questions and interaction.*

For reservations to this informative and entertaining evening, please see the attached reservation form or pay in advance using PayPal by visiting [PAPGrocks.org](http://PAPGrocks.org).

## NEWS AND EVENTS

**PAPG Website:** Visit the website at <http://www.PAPGrocks.org>.

**Mark your calendar now for these upcoming events (more details on PAPGrocks.org) -**

**March 2 Carnegie, PA**

**SPE meeting**

**See website for more details**

**March 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 Pittsburgh, PA**

**AEG/PGS/ASCE student night abstracts due**

**See website for more details**

**March 16<sup>th</sup> 2009, Bridgeport, WV**

**AGS Meeting**

**See website for more details**

**March 31 Malvern PA**

**Groundwater**

**See website for more details**

**April 30<sup>h</sup> – May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009**

**Utica Shale field trip**

**[Visit PAPGrocks.org for all upcoming events and newly posted classifieds](http://www.PAPGrocks.org)**

***Have information you want to share with the organization?***

***Please contact the secretary to add the information to the next newsletter.***

## WHAT IS THE PAPG?

PAPG is a non-profit organization founded in 1984 to provide a forum for Petroleum Geologists in the Pittsburgh Area to meet socially and discuss technical topics relative to the exploration and development of reserves in the Northern and Central Appalachian Basin. PAPG is an affiliated association with AAPG (American Association of Petroleum Geologists) and has representation in the House of Delegates. Educational opportunities are provided via field trips, seminars and AAPG Sectional meetings, sponsored solely by PAPG or in conjunction with the PTTC (Petroleum Technology Transfer Council), PGS (Pittsburgh Geologic Society) and SPE (Society of Petroleum Engineers).

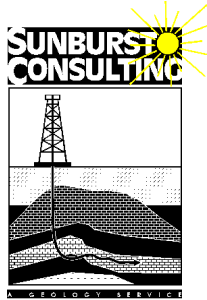
Although PAPG is predominately a geologic organization, numerous industry professionals including geophysicists, engineers, lawyers and landmen are among PAPG's members and find the interaction at meetings and educational opportunities beneficial to their professions. PAPG also encourages student membership and participation.

***Meetings are typically held monthly from September through May in locations within 50 miles of downtown Pittsburgh. From time to time, meetings are held in conjunction with SPE and PGS.***

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*We ask that you show your support for the PAPG by a contribution and your continuing attendance at the monthly meetings.*

*We appreciate your continued support.*

**Contributions may be sent to:**

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## PAPG 2009-2010 DUES

**PAPG dues for the 2009-2010 season are now DUE!**

*The membership form is attached to this newsletter. Please fill the form out **completely** so that we can ensure that we have your latest contact information. Please email Katie Schmid this information if you*

pay online. We are planning to publish a membership directory this year and your updated information is crucial.

## NOTICE OF MARCH 2010 MEETING PITTSBURGH ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM GEOLOGISTS

**DATE:** Thursday 18, March 2010  
**PLACE:** Radisson Hotel - Greentree  
101 Radisson Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15220  
412-922-8400

**TIME:** 5:00 PM – Social Hour  
6:00 PM – Dinner  
7:00 PM – Speaker

**TOPIC:** “The Shifting Sands of US Energy Policy”

**SPEAKER:** **David Curtiss**

**COST:** \$30.00 Paid in advance(if payment received by March 16)  
\$35.00 Pay at the door  
\$10.00 Students  
(Checks payable to PAPG)

**DINNER OPTIONS:** Chicken Maurice  
baked breast with herb stuffing  
or  
Romano Battered Orange Roughy  
with citrus buerre blanc

**RESERVATIONS:** **NEW Pay in advance using PayPal** – Visit [PAPGrocks.org](http://PAPGrocks.org) to reserve your spot or call, email, or mail this reservation form by NOON March 16, 2010 to:

**Katie Schmid**  
412-807-1077 (phone)  
[kschmid3@gmail.com](mailto:kschmid3@gmail.com)

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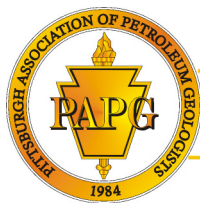
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## **APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS BY CHECKING THE APPROPRIATE BOX:

PROFESSIONAL - RENEWAL

STUDENT - RENEWAL

PROFESSIONAL – NEW MEMBERSHIP

STUDENT - NEW MEMBERSHIP

The **PITTSBURGH ASSOCIATION OF PETROLEUM GEOLOGISTS** membership year runs from JUNE 1 through MAY 31. Monthly meetings are usually held the second Thursday of the month from September through May.

**Professional Dues are \$25.00 per year**

**Student Dues are \$10.00 per year**

**NEW APPLICATION:** If you have never been a member of PAPG, please fill out the remainder of the form, obtain the signatures of two members to sponsor you, and mail check, payable to PAPG, to the address below.

**RENEWAL:** Please fill out the mailing address/directory information below if your contact information has changed and submit dues, payable to PAPG, to the address below.

**Mail completed form and dues payment (checks only - Payable to PAPG) to:**

Katherine Schmid  
12 Watson Blvd  
Pittsburgh, PA 15214

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**WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN PAPG PARTICIPATION?:**                      Officer              Speaker

**WOULD YOU LIKE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION PLACED  
IN THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY (available to members only?)**              Yes              No