



FAPG/AIPG Legislative Day, Dinner & Business Meeting

A Special Notice to all Florida geologists from FAPG/AIPG:

The Florida Association of Professional Geologists (FAPG), the Florida Section of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG), is holding a Legislative Day dinner & business meeting in Tallahassee. ALL Florida PGs, practicing geologists (whether PG or not), and interested parties are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

FAPG has hosted this Legislative event for several years. The procedure is simple: together with fellow geologists, meet for a few hours at our state capital to walk the halls of the legislature, and meet as many legislators and their staff as possible.

The objective, however, is not so simple: to help our legislators and their staff recognize the value and purpose of the Florida Geology community. And this year is perhaps the most critical ever, as budget shortfalls continue in the state and talks continue of slashing the programs that protect Floridian's health and our state's natural resources.

Last year, we saw the petroleum cleanup trust fund swept; the FSU and UF Geology Departments seriously threatened due to budget cuts; and we saw significant funding cuts to many other natural resource protection programs.

FAPG works for the benefit of all geologists in the state. It doesn't matter if you practice in the environmental, water resource, geotechnical, mineral exploration, or another field. Your career is directly affected by the rules, regulations, and budgets our lawmakers enact. It's time for you to help us protect your chosen occupation.

If you are already an FAPG/AIPG member, we thank you. We know your time is valuable, but we ask that you seriously consider spending one day out of your year to help us state our case to our elected officials. You don't have to talk or make a presentation; just be there for support. If you work with or know other geologists that aren't in FAPG, please pass this information on to them. We need everyone's help this year!

A meeting notice and registration form is attached. The agenda consists of a casual social hour and business/dinner meeting on Monday night, March 15, followed by the Legislative Day on Tuesday, March 16. We hope you can attend both events, but showing the **maximum amount of support is vital** as we walk the halls of the capitol on Tuesday, March 16.

With sincere appreciation,
The Executive Committee of FAPG/AIPG

FAPG/AIPG Legislative Day Dinner & Business Meeting

Monday, March 15, 2010

Social Hour: 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Location: La Fiesta
2329 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL

Dinner sponsored by: TestAmerica Laboratories, Inc.
(850) 878-3994

Dinner Meeting Agenda:

- Update on FAPG/AIPG activities in the Legislature and elsewhere – current and recent FAPG/AIPG initiatives
- FAPG's role in pending Statutory Modifications to the FDEP Petroleum Cleanup Program
- Update on FAPG/AIPG overtures to FSU to make the new Dept of Earth Sciences aware of PG requirements
- Upcoming 2010 Activities
- Upcoming 2010-2011 FAPG Executive Committee elections
- Other new business/Miscellaneous

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

9:00 a.m.: Meet on the steps of the State Capitol

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon: Visit with Florida legislators and staff

12:00 noon: Informal lunch (on your own) and debriefing/summary of days activities

RSVP by March 12 to: Jorge Caspary, P.G. (FAPG Legislative Chairman)
Phone (850) 422-2555; Fax (850) 422-2624
E-mail: Jorge.Caspary@arcadis-us.com

FAPG/AIPG Legislative Day Registration Form

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Please include your name, and state which event(s) you plan on attending. Use additional forms for more than one attendee.

Name: _____

- I will attend the dinner only (\$15)
- I will attend Legislative Day only (no cost – but donations accepted to Legislative Fund)
- I will attend both functions (\$15)

Legislative Day Schedule of Events

Monday, March 15, 2010

- ❖ 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.: Pre-Legislative Day Dinner Meeting @ La Fiesta, 2329 Apalachee Parkway

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

- ❖ 9:00 a.m.: Meet at the State of Florida Capitol veranda; assign teams to attend committee meetings and/or visits
- ❖ 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Visit with Florida State Representatives & Senators (and their staffs).
- ❖ Noon - 1:00 p.m.: Lunch (on your own) & debriefing
- ❖ 1:00 p.m.: Departure

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- ❖ Jorge Caspary, P.G.
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Legislative Day At the Capitol

March 15 - 16, 2010



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for the FAPG – A Section of AIPG**

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If you apply Dec-Mar = \$130 Apr-Jun = \$97.50 Jul-Sept = \$65.00 Oct-Nov = \$32.50

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____ Suffix: _____

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Preferred Mailing Address: Home Business Self-Employed? Yes No Birth Year: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

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Geological Degree: BA BS MA MS PhD University: _____

ATTESTATION: I attest that I meet the requirements for AIPG Member (30 semester hours/45 quarter hours for Member) and agree to abide by AIPG Bylaws and Code of Ethics.

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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