

PODS Association Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

March 31, 2009: [Mapping Our Pipeline Future](#)

April 1, 2009: [PODS User Group Meeting](#)

June 8-9, 2009: [GeoGathering](#)

September 13-17, 2009: [GIS for Oil & Gas Conference](#)

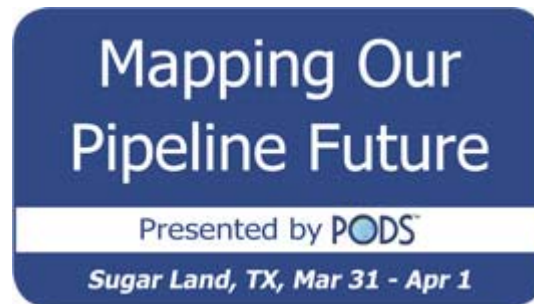
September 17, 2009: *PODS User Group Meeting*

Elections - Board of Directors

The annual election process has ended for 2009. We owe a special thank you to all the nominees. Your participation and strong support of the PODS Association are what makes us successful. The newly and re-elected members of the Board of Directors are:

- Ron Brush, New Century Software
- Kenneth Greer, CenterPoint Energy
- JW Lucas, Enterprise Products Operating
- Scott Moravec, Eagle Information Mapping
- Chad Zamarin, Colonial Pipeline

We appreciate all the members who voted. Your participation also makes our organization successful. A full list of Board members can be seen at the bottom of this email.



Quick Links

[Our Website](#)

[Registration:Mapping](#)

This spring, a unique conference will be taking place for the pipeline industry. The conference will create an open forum for those in the industry to share what they feel are the most pressing needs related to GIS and pipelines in the coming years.

Mapping Our Pipeline Future

On March 31, operators and service providers will meet together for a full day of active discussions on the current and future needs of the

Our Pipeline Future

Membership Renewal Time

Membership renewals were due January 1, 2008. You have received your membership renewal invoice the first week of December. PODS membership dues will remain the same for 2009.

industry. Along with defining the needs of the pipeline industry, we will determine how to best meet these needs and what changes will be required.

This conference is designed for discussions beyond data models in order to promote active participation in attendee driven topics. Suggested topics include

- Key issues facing operators
- Enterprise integration
- Vertical integration: gathering, transmission, and distribution
- Field deployment and data
- Emerging technologies

Meeting attendance is free and open to the industry at large. *Seating is limited; please [register](#) early.*

The meeting will be held at Fluor Enterprises in Sugar Land, TX.



PODS User Group Meeting

April 1, the day immediately following Mapping Our Pipeline Future, the PODS Association will have a PODS User Group Meeting.

During this meeting, we will focus on positioning the PODS Association to serve the industry for the future. Areas of focus include:

- Needs outlined in the previous day's meeting
- 5 year strategic plan discussion
- PODS 5.0
- Current activities
- Working Group updates

The PODS Association will also provide demonstrations of:

- The PODS ESRI Geodatabase
- The PODS Oracle Spatial Model

Finally and because of many requests, the PODS Technical Committee will be presenting:

- The Introduction to PODS Seminar

Attendance is free but seating is limited. Please register on the [PODS website](#).

Thank You Sponsors

The Mapping Our Pipeline Future and the PODS User Conference are made possible in part to our sponsors. We appreciate your contribution to this event and to the pipeline industry.

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