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ON THE COVER

Light, thicker layers are dolomites that grade upward from shallow subtidal to intertidal deposits, and dark, thinner layers are unfossiliferous red silty shales inferred as initially terrestrial deposits. Together, these contrasting lithologies define stacked, high frequency, transgressive-regressive cycles, and the silty shales may have been reworked somewhat in the shallow-marine environment during early transgression. The sequence-stratigraphic framework of such cyclic deposits can be related to predicting reservoir occurrence in, for example, sandstones of Cherokee age deposited in fluvial to shallow-marine environments in Kansas; see related paper in this issue. Photo from Upper Permian (Gaudalupeian) Seven Rivers Formation, Gaudalupe Mts. New Mexico, courtesy of S.J. Mazzullo

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



NEW IDEAS – MORE OIL AND GAS

This is the theme for the September 2007 MidContinent Regional AAPG Convention here in Wichita. Ernie Morrison is Convention Chair and Bob Cowdery is Technical Program Chair for what promises to be a first rate meeting. The theme is very timely. Business as usual won't find the big reserves of the future. The production from old concepts has largely been found. How many more oil and gas fields are hiding in e-logs in our libraries, and in the minds of explorationists, as new ideas?

As an example, what has been called the largest onshore discovery in the USA in the past ten years may be the Covenant Field, Sevier County, Utah, announced last December. At the AAPG Convention in Calgary last June, Douglas K. Strickland, Exploration Manager of Wolverine Oil Co., a Michigan independent, told a standing room only crowd about this discovery. At 7000 feet, they found 487 feet of oil bearing Navajo Sandstone, net to gross 87%, 40 gravity oil, no gas. The trap is derived from late Cretaceous to early Tertiary compressional tectonics developing thrust faults and associated hanging wall anticlines in a system that extends to Wyoming and Alberta.

Wolverine has drilled thirteen wells on 160 acre spacing so far on two drillsites, directional wells. When I visited the site in July, the rig was on drillsite two, all wells were apparently flowing,

and a huge tank farm was under construction. All oil is trucked, hence limited production of 1,600 BOPD presently, with a cumulative from May 04 to May 05 of 290,000 BO. Operator expects 20,000 BOPD by year end. They estimate reserves of 285 million bbl for this field, expect many more like it, a multi billion barrel play potentially!

In October 2003, Bob Cowdery brought Dr. Alan Chamberlain to KGS to talk on "Elephant Hunting in Nevada", one of the most fascinating I have heard. The Covenant Field seems to prove his theories, as this geological province extends into eastern Nevada. Chamberlain feels this is all oil country with world class reservoir and source rocks, and huge undrilled traps. He feels the Great Basin is compressional, not extensional as earlier theories, hence preservation of hydrocarbon traps. The big oil fields are therefore likely to be under mountain ranges of layers of thrusts in sedimentary rocks, virtually untested because to date conventional thinking has drilled in the valleys, resulting in a few small but prolific fields which Chamberlain calls "seeps". This theory is about to be tested by a few independents like Fasken Oil, and Eden Energy. Could this be a key...for instance, are compressional tectonics at work in other unexpected places dominated so far by "conventional wisdom"? What other new ideas need to be uncovered? Ernie's theme for the convention is so timely. Let's help him make this a great event. In the last bulletin, the quote from George Will should have extended all the way to "including ourselves." I am not capable of such erudition.

—Alfred James, III

Sept. 16th Joint KGS-Sipes Technical Presentation
Where the Buffalo Roam

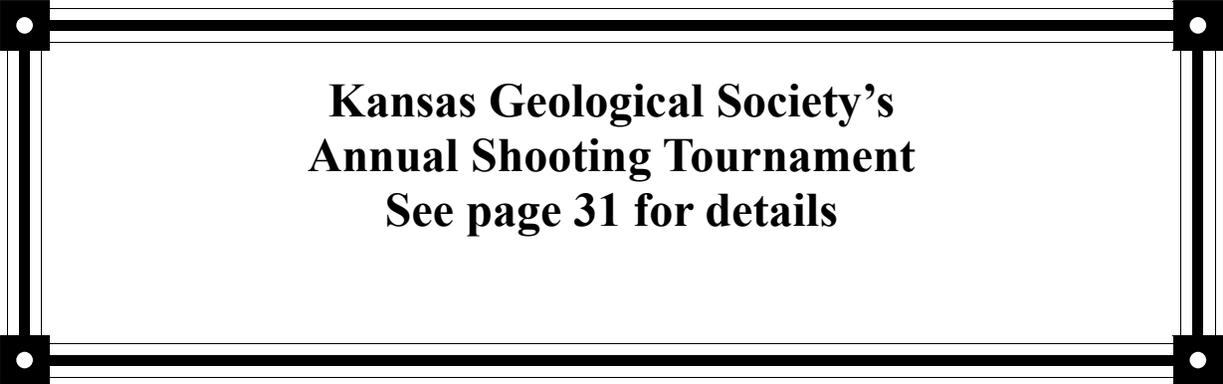
**An Exploration Success Utilizing Regional Subsurface Mapping
with 3D Seismic on the Pratt Anticline in Barber County, Kansas**

By

Michael A. Pollok and Michael N. Austin

This paper describes the exploration process used to discover a multiple pay zone field on the southern end of the Pratt anticline. Regional subsurface mapping identified a key show well drilled in the 1950's that was believed to be on the flank of a structure. 3D seismic identified the crest of the feature and resulted in discovery of pays zones in the Lansing-Kansas City, Marmaton, and Mississippian. Fracturing of the Mississippian dolomite has changed during development in recent years.

Obstacles encountered included buffalo, a high mineral owner royalty for the area, a high profile environmentalist surface owner, and limited and expensive gas gathering access. Persistence pays, time tells if you are successful or not



**Kansas Geological Society's
Annual Shooting Tournament
See page 31 for details**

AAPG Annual Meeting

The AAPG Annual Meeting was held in Calgary Canada from June 19 thru June 22. There was excellent attendance this year with over 7600 registrants in all categories. The Kansas Geological Society was well represented with a group headed by President Fred James and members of the House of Delegates Alan DeGood and Ernie Morrison. Alan DeGood made a short presentation to the House of Delegates as a candidate for Chairman of that body.

Other KGS members attending were: Joe Moreland, Orvie Howell, Dave Barker, Tim Carr, Lynn Watney, Joel Alberts, John Hastings, Marty Dubois, John Doveton and David Newell.

EDITOR'S LETTER

I sincerely apologize for the mistakes in the July-August bulletin. A personal apology goes to Dean Seeber and the family of Jim Guinotte. You will find Dean's profile and Jim's memorial reprinted in this bulletin. There have been some obvious bugs in our attempt to reorganize and change editorial hands. Procedures have been implemented to hopefully avoid any future problems. I am asking that all comments, submissions, and complaints go to myself or Sal Mazzullo. You can find our contact information on page 3 of the bulletin. I look forward to serving our geological community and putting out a much better bulletin in the future. I need submissions for upcoming bulletins, so if you have something you would like to share with the society, you can find the guidelines for papers on page 47. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Dear Members,

Last issue I told you all about tearing down a wall and converting the “scanning space” back to an employee break room and another office. If you are in the area, please come by and see the updated look we now have in the library. It is amazing what a little paint will do! Thank you to **Marj Crane, Linda McCune & Sherri** for staying late and making this project happen. We had a good time and I think we improved the place!

We had a very good turn out at the KGS Annual Picnic on Friday, August 12th. 174 came out to enjoy the evening in spite of the thunderstorms and torrential downpours! See photos on page 38 and 39. The next KGS event will be the **Shooting Tournament on October 4th**, a Tuesday. It will again be at the Lynbrooke Sporting Clays Range east of Augusta. Such a wonderful facility and it always seems to be a perfect fall day when we have the shooting tournament. See the enclosed flyer/entry form for all of the details. The entry form is also available on our web site under “events”.

Once again the Society & Foundation had a booth at KIOGA. It is a nice opportunity to see a lot of people we don't otherwise get to see. Sherri helped me with the booth this year and we had quite a few people stop by, looking at the digital library but also picking up literature



on KGS membership and the Foundation's Video Tape Library (although, most came by once they found out we had Junior Mints & Tootsie Rolls.)

Our next “booth time” will be in Oklahoma City September 11, 12, 13 at the AAPG Mid-Continent meeting. If you are going down there, come by the booth – I always have chocolate!

Respectfully submitted,

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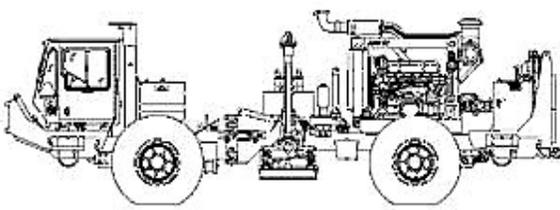
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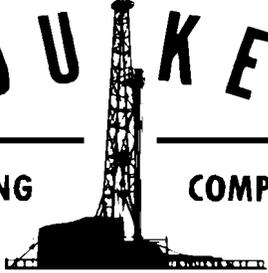
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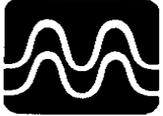
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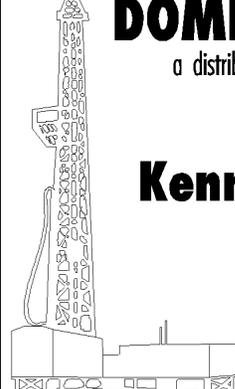
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RELATING THE SEQUENCE STRATIGRAPHY OF BASAL CHEROKEE STRATA (BASED ON TWO CORES FROM BARBER COUNTY) TO THE EXPLORATION FOR CHEROKEE SANDSTONE RESERVOIRS IN KANSAS

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INTRODUCTION

It is a well-accepted principle that the sequence-stratigraphic development of any given stratal section exerted fundamental control on depositional facies and facies architecture within that section. Conversely, knowledge of the sequence-stratigraphic history of a stratigraphic section is a powerful exploration tool for predicting reservoir occurrence within such sections. In this paper I examine some fundamental aspects of the sequence-stratigraphic framework of the basal Cherokee section (Middle Pennsylvanian, Desmoinesian) in Kansas based on examination of two cores from Barber County and their comparison to some published studies of the equivalent stratigraphic section elsewhere in the state. The reason this part of the stratigraphic section was chosen for study is because basal Cherokee sandstones directly above the unconformable top of the Mississippian are prolific oil reservoirs in many parts of the state (Merriam, 1963; Zeller, 1968), and yet, they are notoriously difficult to locate in the subsurface based on currently assumed depositional models. It is the multi-storied nature of these sands, and particularly the lithologic character of intervening strata, that are the focus of the present paper because they define the sequence-stratigraphic history of this part of the section which, in turn, lends some predictability to inferred models of sandstone deposition, facies architecture, and occurrence.

DESCRIPTION OF BASAL CHEROKEE STRATA IN CORES

The cores described in this study are from the Continental Oil #15 Harbaugh (SW SE NW, Section 32 T33S-R11W) and the Continental Oil #10 Harbaugh (SW SW SE, Section 29 T33S-R11W) wells, both of which are within the Rhodes (Mississippian) Field in Barber County, Kansas. These particular wells, and the field, produce from Mississippian rocks. The lithologic character of the basal Cherokee sections in these two cores is illustrated in Figure 1.

Continental #10 Harbaugh - the basal 1'6" of the basal Cherokee section in this well (unit A) comprises bedded, grain- to matrix-supported, chert-clast breccia to conglomerate in a matrix of dark green shale. Clasts are rounded and clast size ranges from 0.75-1" and decreases upward, and many clasts have peripheral weathering rinds. This section is overlain by 1'7" of yellow-

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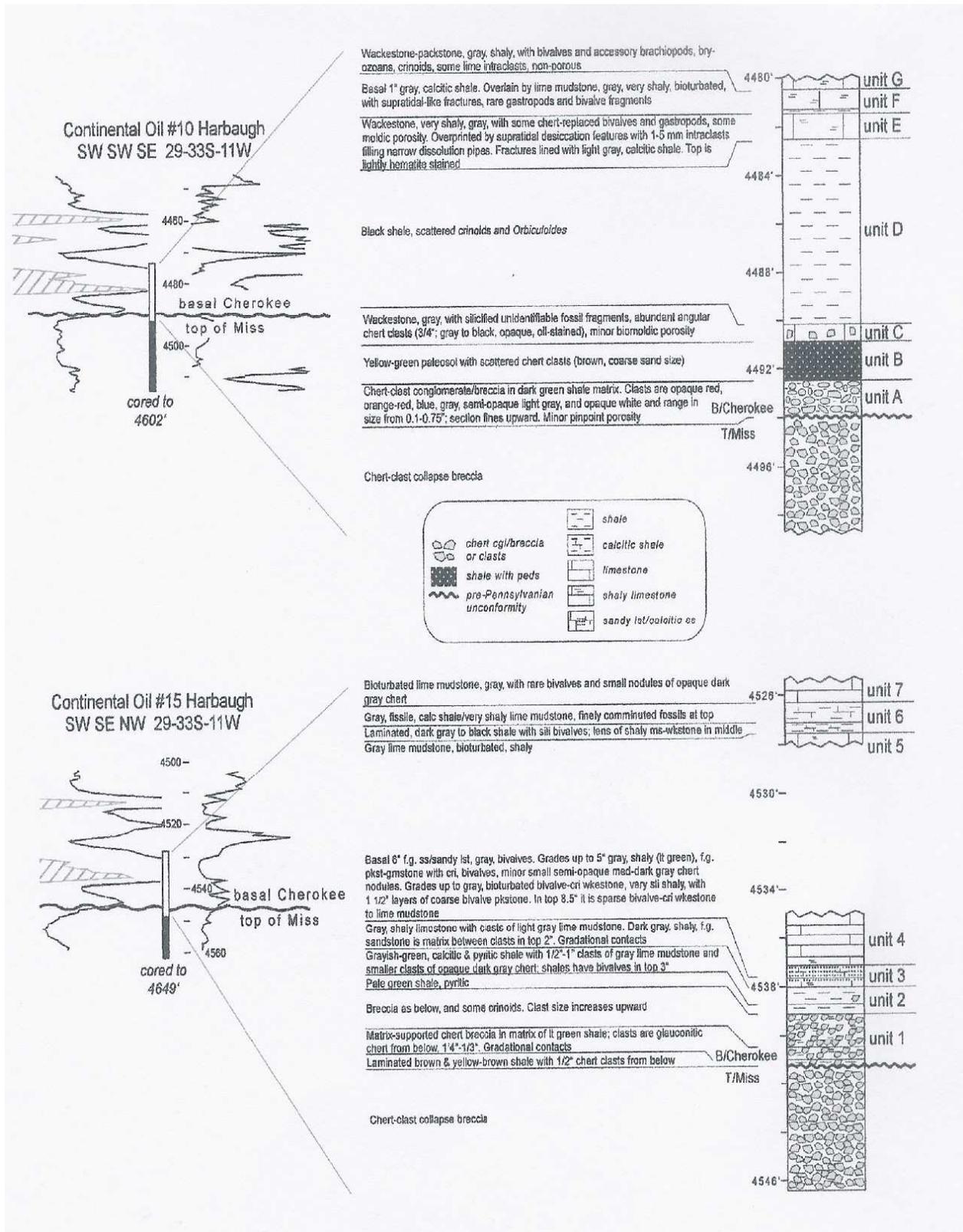


Fig. 1. Lithologies of uppermost Mississippian and basal Cherokee sections in cores from the Continental #10 and #15 wells in Rhodes Field, Barber County, Kansas. Core depths corrected for log depths.

green (siliciclastic) mudrock (unit B) with well-developed ped structures and scattered small, highly weathered chert clasts; clay minerals in the shale essentially explode upon contact with water, and hence, are mostly swelling clays. This section is abruptly overlain by 8" of lime wackestone with blackened skeletal fragments and fine pebble-size, angular chert clasts (unit C). Overlying are ~8 ft of black shale (unit D) with scattered crinoids and *Orbiculoides*, and this section is abruptly overlain by 9" of very shaly lime wackestone (unit E), with some bivalves and gastropods, that is overprinted by soft-sediment desiccation features, including shrinkage cracks filled with limestone intraclasts and light gray shale. Overlying this section is 1" of gray shale and then 12" of very shaly lime mudstone that similarly contains desiccation features and shrinkage cracks, also with bivalves and gastropods (unit F). This section is overlain by 5", to the top of the core, of shaly lime wackestone to packstone (unit G) with some intraclasts of limestone from below and an open-marine biota of bivalves, brachiopods and crinoids. The shales in units E, F and G are composed of swelling clays.

Continental #15 Harbaugh - the basal 3" of the Cherokee section is unfossiliferous, laminated brown to yellow-brown shale with chert clasts, overlain by 1'10" of bedded, matrix-supported, chert-clast breccia to conglomerate in a matrix of light green shale. Many of the chert clasts are glauconitic and most are rounded, and the matrix shale is composed of swelling clays. Clast size ranges from 0.25-1.5" and increases upward, and many clasts have peripheral weathering rinds. Together, the basal shale and overlying breccia/conglomerate represent unit 1 in this core. Overlying unit 2 comprises 6" of pale green, pyritic shale overlain by 8" of grayish-green, calcitic and pyritic shale with small (1/2-1") clasts of lime mudstone and dark gray chert. The shales are composed of swelling clays, and the top 3" of this unit contains some bivalve fragments. Unit 3 comprises: (a) a basal 4" of lime mudstone with partings of gray shale (composed of swelling clay) and clasts of lime mudstone; dark gray, shaly, fine-grained quartz sand is the matrix between the limestone clasts in the upper half of this section; and (b) a gradationally overlying 6" of calcite-cemented, fine-grained sandstone to sandy limestone with finely comminuted, blackened bivalve fragments. This section is overlain by unit 4 (total 2'2" thick), which is 5" of shaly, fine-grained lime packstone to grainstone (shale occurs as thin partings and is composed of swelling clay) with crinoids and bivalves overlain by 1' of slightly shaly, bioturbated bivalve-crinoid wackestone with thin (1.5") layers of coarse bivalve packstone and then 9" of sparse bivalve-crinoid wackestone to mudstone. There was no core recovery in 4535'0"-4528'0". Unit 5 consists of 5" of bioturbated, shaly lime mudstone. The basal 5" of unit 6 are dark gray to black shale with silicified bivalves and a thin lense of shaly lime mudstone-wackestone in the middle. The top 9" of this unit are light gray, calcareous shale to very shaly lime mudstone with finely comminuted fossils at the top of the unit. Last, unit 7 is 1' of bioturbated lime mudstone with rare bivalve fragments and small chert nodules.

INFERRED DEPOSITIONAL ENVIRONMENTS AND SEQUENCE STRATIGRAPHY

The basal chert-clast conglomerates/breccias in the two cores (unit A and unit 1) could be interpreted as transgressive, nearshore-marine lag deposits of basal Cherokee age. As such, they would be analogous to similar conglomeratic strata described in cores from

Ness County by Nodine-Zeller (1981, 1985). Alternatively, they could be interpreted as fluvial deposits of high-competency streams. Where such conglomerates are thinner or absent in Kansas, this stratigraphic horizon usually is occupied by terrestrial red and yellow shale, hence, I currently favor the interpretation that the conglomerates/breccias are basal Cherokee transgressive deposits. Regardless, component chert clasts ultimately were derived from sub-jacent Mississippian rocks, which immediately beneath the pre-Pennsylvanian unconformity here are chert-clast collapse breccias. Presumed post-Mississippian but pre-Cherokee (i.e., Morrowan and/or Atokan) as described from elsewhere in Kansas as “Pennsylvanian basal conglomerates” (e.g., Nodine-Zeller, 1981, 1985) were not present in the cores. In the Continental #10 core, the yellow-green shale with peds comprising unit B is interpreted as a paleosol, which suggests a sea-level fall after deposition of parent shales in unit B (Fig. 2). An equivalent paleosol above the basal conglomerate/breccia is not present in the Continental #15 core, although the upper shale in unit 2 includes limestone clasts that may represent a subtle unconformity or a conformity equivalent temporally to the unconformity at the top of unit B in the #10 core. Unit C in the #10 core is an inferred nearshore marine limestone that includes blackened skeletal fragments, the latter feature which are common in basal transgressive deposits immediately above unconformities (Shinn & Lidz, 1988). Seemingly equivalent strata in the #15 core include the limestone of unit 3, which contains limestone clasts, siliciclastic sand as the matrix between clasts, and also blackened grains. Such deposits are common within basal transgressive, nearshore marine deposits immediately above unconformities or their correlative conformities.

Continued sea-level rise is indicated by unit D in the #10 well, which is interpreted as progressively deeper-water, anoxic deposits; and by fining-upward units 4 and 5 and the lower black shale in unit 6 in the #15 well, which are interpreted as progressively more offshore and relatively deep, low-energy marine to deeper-water, anoxic deposits, respectively (Fig. 2). These black shales ostensibly would be the “core shales” of typical Pennsylvanian cycles (Heckel, 1977), and somewhere within this deepening-upward cycle in the #10 and #15 wells is a maximum flooding surface (“mfs”: Fig. 2). In the #15 well the section then shallows upward from gray shale/very shaly limestone to offshore-marine lime mudstone. The equivalent section in the #10 well also shallows upward from black shale to a section of limestone, but in contrast, component units E and F contain desiccation features and shrinkage cracks (e.g., Roehl, 1967) that are indicative of two separate periods of sea-level fall and concomitant subaerial exposure (Fig. 2).

RELATIONSHIP TO BASAL CHEROKEE SANDSTONE RESERVOIRS

Basal Cherokee sandstone reservoirs in Kansas typically are multi-storied, that is, commonly there are several sandstone horizons in the section, and locally some conglomeratic sandstones, wherein successively younger sands are either separated from older sands variously by shales, coals, and/or limestones, or they locally are directly superposed vertically as a consequence of erosional down-cutting of younger deposits into older strata. In central to western Kansas, for example, these sands generally are referred to as “Cherokee sands” (e.g., Walters et al., 1979; Cuzella et al., 1991, 1994) that locally include two or more discrete sands (e.g., in ascending stratigraphic order, the Cherokee “C”, “B” and “A” or the

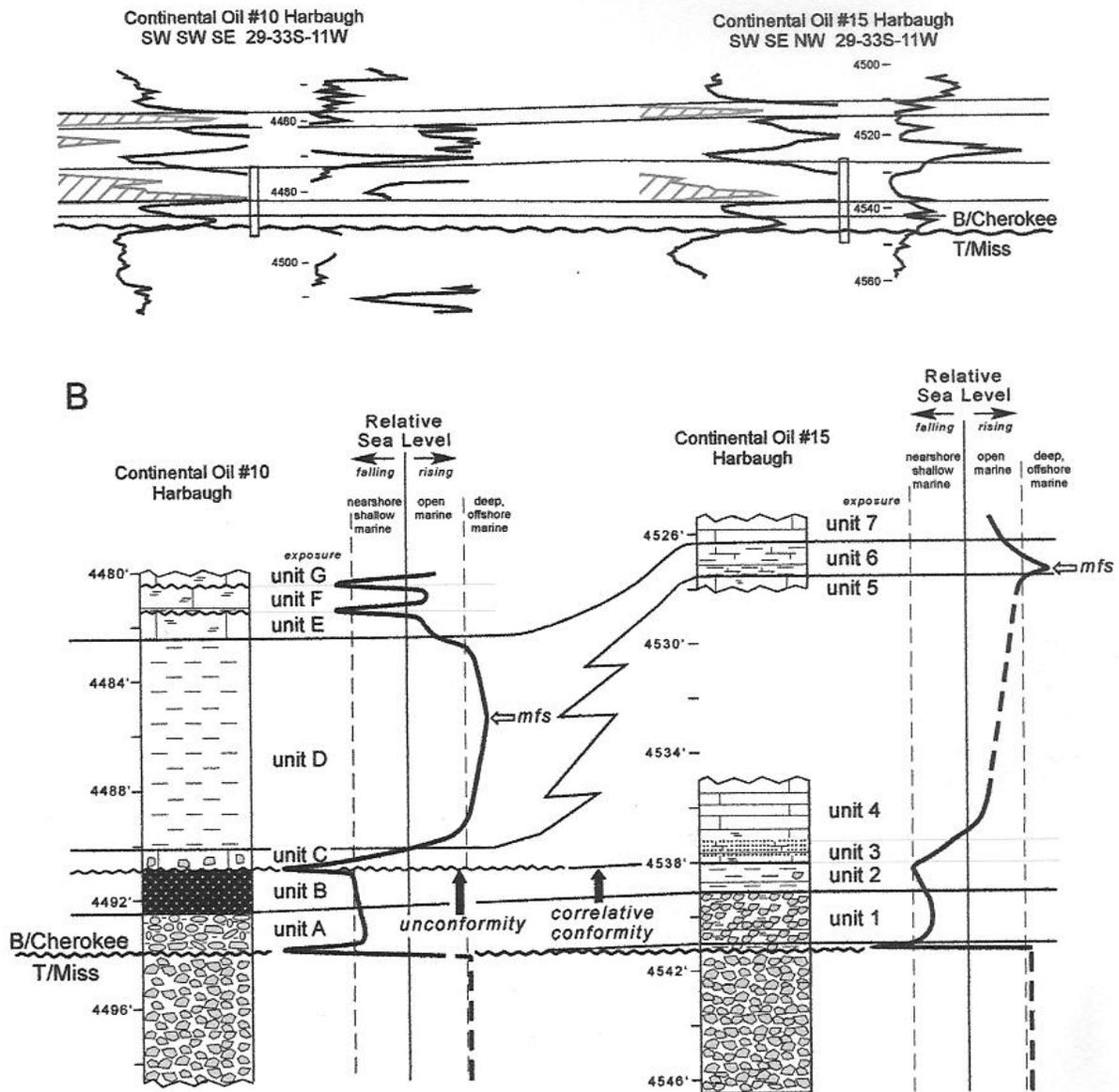


Fig. 2. A - Cross section including the two cores showing that they are from equivalent basal Cherokee sections. B - Inferred depositional environments and sequence stratigraphy of the basal Cherokee section in the cores. See Figure 1 for legend.

lower and upper Cherokee sands, depending on location; and locally also the Johnson and Kutina sands). In south-central and eastern Kansas such strata variously include, also in ascending order, the Burgess, Bartlesville and Burbank sands (e.g., Bass, 1934, 1936; Bass et al., 1937; Hulse, 1979; Brenner, 1989; Knapp et al., 1995; Walton, 1996).

The cored-well section examined in this paper that illustrates the highest level of stratigraphic “tuning”, that is, which records the most relative sea-level information in terms of falls and rises, is the Continental #10 Harbaugh (Fig. 2). The lithologic and sea-level information from this well (Fig. 2) -- that is, its sequence-stratigraphic record -- is used as the basis for constructing a Lower Pennsylvanian “Wheeler diagram” (Fig. 3), which illustrates time as the vertical axis and periods of time for which sediment was not deposited as vertical bars. The longer the vertical bars, the longer the duration of time for which sediment was not deposited, ostensibly as a result of subaerial exposure. Stratigraphic information from Nodine-Zeller (1981, 1985) was incorporated in the construction of Figure 3, which shows a long period of post-Mississippian--pre-Cherokee exposure (Morrowan to Atokan) for which there are no deposits in the Continental #10 (or the #15) Harbaugh well. The pronounced unconformity at the top of the paleosol (unit B) defines a high-frequency transgressive-regressive cycle, and that unconformity may be equivalent temporally to the unconformity illustrated by Nodine-Zeller (1981, 1985) at the 4430 ft level in the Midcontinent #1 Collins well in Ness County (her figure 2 in both publications). The next cycle is thicker and is a relatively lower-frequency event that encompasses units C, D and E and it includes a relatively major transgressive event that is reflected in the deposition of deep-water black shales. Following are thinner, presumed higher-frequency cycles that include units F and G and their bounding unconformities.

In the sequence-stratigraphic paradigm, it is during sea-level lowstands (LST in Fig. 3) that streams incise valleys into newly-exposed terrains, and such incisement extends downward into underlying highstand deposits or even deeper. It is also during lowstands that previously-deposited sediments can be pedogenically altered, and the longer the exposure the more pedogenically “mature” a soil can become. In contrast, it is during the early stages of ensuing marine transgression (TST in Fig. 3) that incised valleys can be filled with sands and other sediments that ideally may grade upward from fluvial to estuarine to perhaps even marine deposits. In such cases -- perhaps as a result of relatively rapid sea-level rise combined with moderate antecedent topographic relief -- there typically is mappable coincidence between incised valleys and valley-filling sands and gravels because the previously-deposited sands are quickly removed from nearshore zones of periodic sediment exhumation and re-deposition. Such coincidence clearly is present in some Burgess and Bartlesville sands in south-eastern Kansas, the Indian Cave Sandstone (see paper in last issue of the Bulletin by this author), and in some basal Cherokee sands in central Kansas. However, such deposits can be reworked by currents in shallow-marine environments during early transgression, particularly if the rate of transgression is relatively slow and antecedent topographic relief is low, in which case previously-deposited sediments can remain in the active nearshore zone of sediment exhumation and re-deposition for considerable periods of time. Where such reworking occurs there is limited to no coincidence between incised valleys and valley-filling deposits, which may explain why so many Cherokee sands in Kansas are present on the

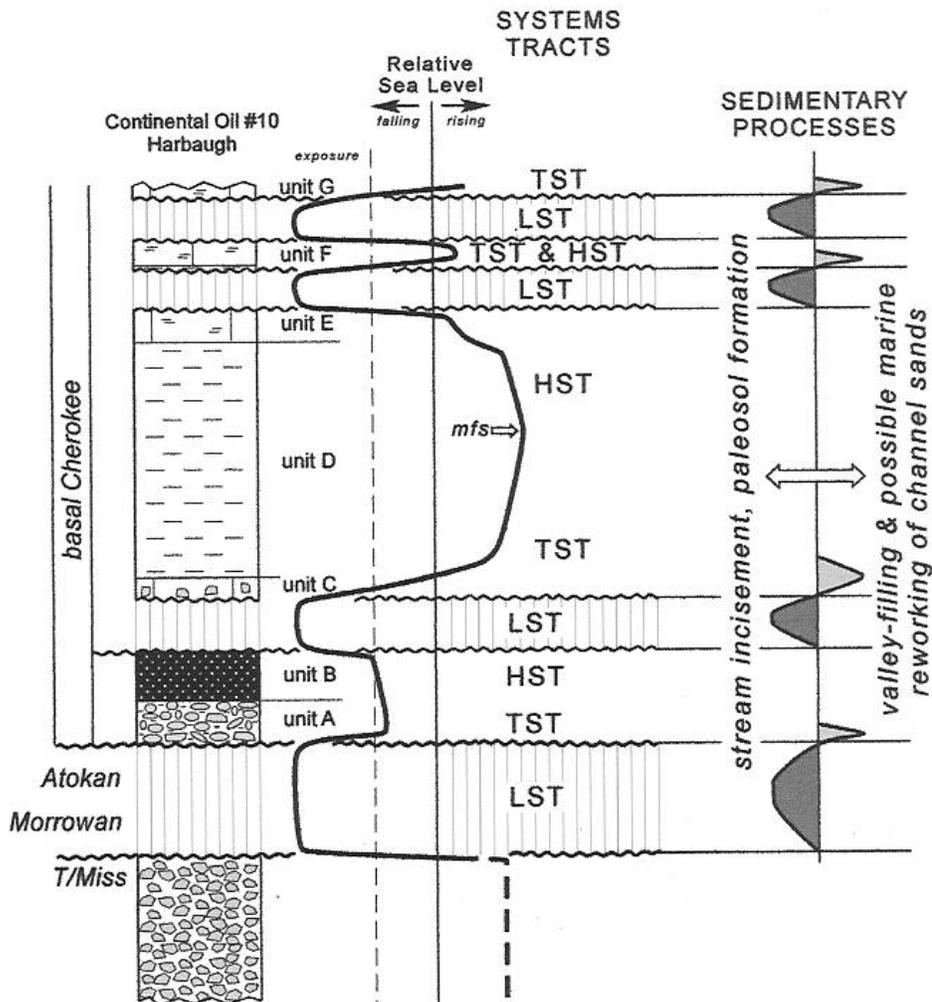


Fig. 3. Wheeler diagram illustrating the sequence stratigraphy of the basal Cherokee section based on the record from the Continental #10 Harbaugh well, and major processes of paleosol formation and stream incisement versus valley-filling mostly by sand and locally gravel and later reworking of such deposits in the shallow marine environment shown relative to when they occur. The vertical axis in such diagrams represents time, and the vertical extent of gray lines represents periods of time for which there is no corresponding sediment deposition. LST = lowstand systems tract, TST = transgressive systems tract, HST = highstand systems tract. This diagram also incorporates Lower Pennsylvanian stratigraphic information from Nodine-Zeller (1981, 1985).

flanks of Mississippian highs (buried hills) up-hill of valleys incised into the Miss. The stratigraphic resolution of sea-level fluctuations illustrated in Figures 2 and 3 is not finely-tuned enough -- because the diagram is based on only two cored wells -- to readily identify TST sections representative of slow versus faster rates of sea-level rise or presumed topographic relief on the buried Mississippian surface. But it is exactly this type of stratigraphic information that is necessary in order to evaluate likely trends of sand and petroleum reservoir occurrence in basal Cherokee strata in Kansas. What Figure 3 does predict, however, is that there may be as many as four sands in the section wherein there was channel incisement during the four lowstands and valley-filling and perhaps also marine reworking during the ensuing early transgressive phases of cycle development that are indicated. The basal Cherokee section illustrated in Figures 1-3 is only 14-15 ft thick in the #10 and #15 wells, and accordingly, within this section it is likely that we are dealing with only the Burgess and perhaps the lower Bartlesville sands if we were in eastern Kansas; and the lower and upper Cherokee sands or the Cherokee "C" and "B" sands if we were in central Kansas.

CONCLUSIONS

Core studies of basal Cherokee strata in Kansas can define the sequence-stratigraphic history of Cherokee deposition which, in turn, can be used as a predictive template with which to explore for basal Cherokee sand reservoirs in the subsurface. Such a predictive approach must involve definition of relative sea-level cycles and also reconstructed topographic relief along component unconformities in the section. It is these two factors that likely exert fundamental control on whether reservoir sands are contained within incised valleys as valley-filling deposits or they are reworked by marine currents and removed from confining valleys during early transgression.

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**Structural Architecture, Petroleum Systems, and Geological Implications
for the New Hydrocarbon Province of the Covenant Field Discovery,
Sevier County, Utah.**

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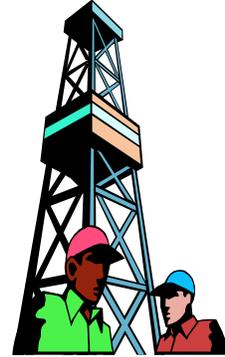
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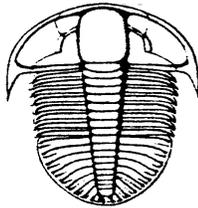
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Memorial: Richard “Dick” Foley



With the passing of Dick Foley, at the age of 79, on June 23, 2005, the industry and the profession lost a member who although had pursued a career in other fields of endeavor, remained a “geologist” at heart. He will be missed by all those who knew him professionally and personally.

Dick was born in El Dorado, Arkansas where his father was employed as a geologist with Pure Oil Co.. The family, which besides Dick included his brother Michael and sister Ruth Krueger, moved Midland, Texas before moving to Wichita in 1929.

Dick attended Blessed Sacrament Elementary school through the 8th grade and then Cathedral High School where he graduated in 1943.

After one year in Chemical Engineering at the University of Wichita., his interest in Geology was aroused. After a couple of summers at the University of Missouri Field Camp, he enrolled at University of Missouri and graduated in 1947. Dick spent one year in graduate school, and then commenced his career as a Petroleum Geologist with Koch Oil.

In 1949, he joined Sinclair Oil, working in Wichita and Oklahoma City. In 1951, after completing a well near Laverne, Oklahoma, he received a call from Thornton Anderson asking whether he would be interested in returning to Wichita to work for Lion Oil, which he subsequently did.

Dick married Sue Pearl in 1942, and he is survived by Sue and their five children: C. Matt, Michelle Cocking, Melinda, and Mary Pat Elpers, all of Wichita, and Maureen Dime of Del Mar, California.

In 1953, Dick terminated his employment with Lion and became an Independent. He was subsequently contacted by Harry Connelly of Harbor Drilling and went to work for Harbar. Following his employment with Harbar, he and George Dent formed Black Dot Oil Company.

A change in his career occurred when in 1971 he and Sue started “Food for Thought”. In 1985, Dick commenced working personally in the business. The family continues to operate this business. Dick had previously been involved in the food business, operating with his brother, Mike, the Taco Grande chain in the 1960’s.

Both the Rosary service and the Funeral Memorial Mass were held at Blessed Sacrament, where Dick had been a member of the parish for 75 years. The family has designated that memorials be established with Blessed Sacrament School, The Lord’s Diner, and the Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum. A memorial has also been established with the Kansas Geological Foundation.



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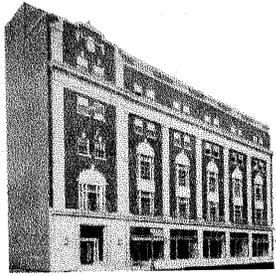
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Jim was born in Kansas City, Missouri in 1925. He attended schools in Westport, Missouri culminating in his graduation from Westport high school in 1942. Jim had two sisters who survive: Mary Francis of Kansas City, Missouri and Maude Stawn of Santa Fe, New Mexico. Following high school graduation, Jim served in the US. Navy from February 1943 until October of 1944 when he received an honorable discharge.

Jim then enrolled at the University of Kansas and graduated from that institution in 1946. While at KU, he was member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and Sigma Gamma Epsilon, honorary geological fraternity. In 1947-48 he was on the Engineering Dean's Honor Roll.

In 1949 he married Allson Jones in Lawrence Kansas. Allson died in 2003. Allison and Jim had ten children and j Jim had ten children: Jim, Tucson, John, Joe, Tim Richard, Mary, Almee, Allison and Nancy. All except Richard are survivors. There are also 22 grand children and 2 great-grandchildren.

Jim commenced his professional career as an Assistant Geologist with the State of Kansas in Russell, Kansas following graduation. In November 1948 he moved to Chanute as District Geologist for the Oil Field Section of the State of Kansas where his work involved direction of subsurface disposal and secondary recovery for 22 counties in Eastern Kansas. After his marriage, Allison joined him in Chanute. He joined Skiles Oil Corporation in 1954 as an engineer in charge of drilling, completion and production from 1955 until 1958 he performed essentially the same duties with Sterling Grace and Company. He became an independent consultant and producer in 1958 and continued in that capacity until his death.

He was active in community affairs, serving on Chanute City Commission from 1995 until 1999. Jim was also a fifty-year member of the Elk's Lodge and American Legion Post # 170. He was very active in industry and professional organizations. Jim joined the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) as a Junior member in 1948 and 50 years later he achieved Emeritus membership status. He has served the Eastern Kansas Oil and Gas Association (EKGOA) as President and had been a director of the Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association. Jim had also been a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE).

His recreational activities included hunting and fishing and his pursuit of fishing had taken him from the Arctic to Central America.

Memorials have been established by his family to the Dick Guinotte Memorial Scholarship in his name or the St. Patrick School Fund.

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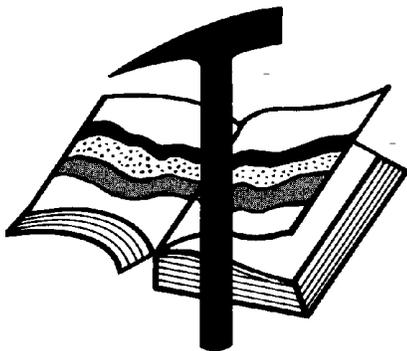
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MEMBER PROFILE: Dean Seeber



Dean is from a Kansas background and has lived in El Dorado since 1962. Between his birth in Great Bend in 1934 and establishing a career in El Dorado, he has traveled widely and accomplished many things.

Dean's father, Clarence, was a manager and troubleshooter for Halliburton and his mother was a housewife. Dean was the youngest of four children. Oldest brother Glen, played freshman football for Wichita University, but was killed during World War II. Harlan lives between Andover and Wichita, and Shirley, who is married to Richard Green, a consulting geologist, lives in Hays.

The family moved to Wichita in 1940 and Dean attended his first five grades in the Wichita school system at Samuel Adams and Lowell Elementary schools. When his father formed United Oil Well Cementing Company, the family moved to El Dorado and Dean finished his elementary and secondary schooling there, culminating in his graduation from El Dorado High School in 1952. While at the high school, he was on the track team as a cross-country runner.

After high school, Dean enrolled in Petroleum Geology at the University of Oklahoma, which he

says was a natural progression for him having literally grown up in the "oil fields" as a result of his father's occupation. While at OU, Dean recalls that two professors exerted some influence over him and his career. He identifies Dr. Phil Chenowith, who presented a course in Stratigraphy in a very interesting manner, and Dr. Reg Harris, from whom Dean took a 1-hour credit course in sample running, involving difficult areas of Oklahoma geology that would prove to serve him well later in his career. He graduated from OU in 1957.

While he was at OU, he was not aware of another student, Wilbur Bradley. However, many years later, he and Wilbur met at a well in Greenwood County. They compared notes and realized they had attended OU during the same period. Since then they have been in numerous drilling deals together.

After graduation, Dean joined Ohio Oil Company in January 1957 and until March 1960, was engaged in mapping in Southern Oklahoma and prospect evaluation. Scott Ritchie was working for Ohio at about the same time, but Dean says that they didn't become acquainted until later. In March he transferred to Oasis Oil and was engaged in doing fieldwork and working as the wellsite geologist in the Sirte Basin, Libya. In Libya he encountered some of the most challenging wells during his career. This was because the tops were picked on the basis of microfossils and Dean had not had a course in Micro-Paleontology in college. Contributing to the challenge was the extremely fast drilling, making considerable footage in a 24-hour period.

In 1962 he returned to El Dorado to work with his father and to commence his consulting career. This career has involved a myriad of activities including wellsite supervision of several thousand wells in Eastern Kansas. He has also been involved in oil exploration and development, and appraised oil and gas properties for estate, condemnation, civil actions including associated testimony as an expert witness in State District Courts as well as U. S. District Court.

Recently he has been involved in horizontal drilling operations. All of his work has been performed for a clientele that includes a number of independent operators and several major oil companies.

As he gained experience in Kansas, Dean was helped by several individuals: Paul Koontz of Rex and Morris, Howard Morris of White and Ellis, and Dan Bowles. When asked who was the biggest character that he had encountered in the oil fields, Dean did not name an individual (well actually he did, but we will hope that it was facetiously) but instead named a group - "the doodle-buggers". Perhaps since the wells are shallower in Eastern Kansas, oil is easier to locate.

As a sideline during his consulting career, Dean started a plastics factory in 1970 with his brother. Harlan managed the daily operations of Seeber Manufacturing until it was sold in 1997.

In 1954 Dean married Alfreda Wright and there were six children from that union: Glen works for the Daily Oklahoman; Anna Marie is an artist and lives in Oberlin married to a rancher; Jennifer was deceased as a child; Michael followed his father's career path and, after serving as Chief Geophysicist for Anadarko, is now in charge of all of their computer operations; Amy is an internist practicing in El Dorado with her husband who is also an internist; and Ron is a lobbyist in Topeka, and was formerly Political Director of the Kansas Republican Party.

In 1991, Dean married Susan Tipton. Susan resigned from a successful banking career as Vice President and Trust Officer. She later served as Mayor of El Dorado and was recently the President/CEO of the Kansas World Trade Center. She volunteers in numerous capacities and serves on the Board of Directors for the Greater Wichita YMCA as well as the El Dorado YMCA. Dean has two stepchildren: Jennifer works for YMCA in Wichita, and Jeff is manager of Scottrade in Kansas City. Dean and Susan have 13 grandchildren.

Dean has been active in his profession as well as community affairs. He has served in the past and is currently serving on the Nomenclature Committee of the Kansas Geological Society. He is a former City Commissioner of El Dorado, and also served on the Building Commission.

He leads a very active life outside of his profession. Dean has done a considerable amount of river rafting, not on the Arkansas, but in such remote areas as Chile, Alaska, Mexico and the Grand Canyon. At 45, he took up running again and has since run in three marathons, including the New York Marathon. One of Dean's favorite pastimes is extensive traveling around the world with Susan.

Looking back at his career, Dean says that he is unable to think of anything else that would be as enjoyable and rewarding. He said if he had it all to do over, he would absolutely be a petroleum geologist. With his great background, he would give this sound advice to young geologists just entering the field, "Study the modern technologies, but don't forget the original disciplines."

Dean doesn't have any plans to retire and plans to continue "looking for oil" as long as he is able.

This has been a somewhat difficult profile to write, not from lack of information, but because there have been so many interesting facets to this fellow member of our profession.



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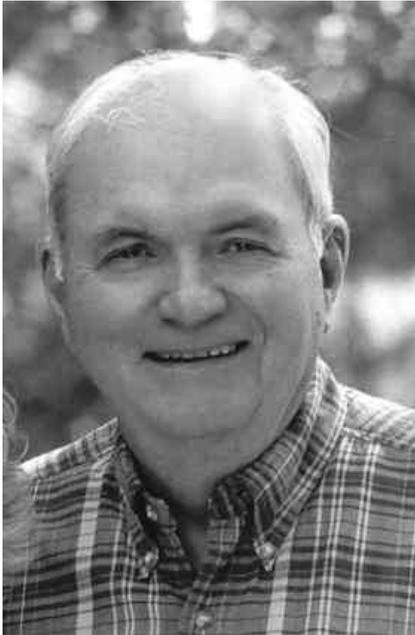
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MEMBER PROFILE: Scott Ritchie



This will be an attempt to profile the life and activities of one of our members who has been an activist in professional and community affairs in the best sense of the word.

Scott was born in Wichita on November 14, 1932. His mother was from Medford, Oklahoma. His father Andy Ritchie was from Pennsylvania and was very well known in the oil industry community in Kansas. Scott's brother Bill was four years younger. He died in 1947.

Andy had worked for the Marland Oil Co. in Ponca City, Oklahoma as Production Superintendent for the Northern District. Scott's parents moved to Wichita in 1929 when his father accepted a position with Derby Oil Co. In the late 30's Andy Ritchie, Al Derby Sr. and Gene Moriarity formed DRM Oil Co. and McPherson Drilling. The company pursued exploration in central Kansas. DRM sold its production to Sohio Oil Co. in 1946 and Andy continued activity by participating in a few drilling prospects after this sale.

Scott attended College Hill Elementary School, Robinson Junior High and graduated

from Wichita East High School in 1950. Attending East High during this period were KGS members Ted Sandberg and Dick Smith.

After graduation, Scott enrolled at the University of Kansas with the intent of majoring in business. Since he had long exposure to the "oil business" including work in the oilfields in the summer and needed a science elective, he enrolled in General Geology. His enjoyment of this course led to enrollment in Historical Geology and after this course he made the decision to become a geology major.

At KU he encountered several outstanding professors including Dr. Cecil Lailacker and Dr. Dan Merriam whose class in subsurface methods provided Scott with some good practical information that he was later to use in his professional career. Among his classmates were Innes Phillips, Don Malone and Hank Zoller.

He graduated from KU in 1954 and in June of that year married Carol Swanson. Carol and Scott have three children. A. Scott III is president of Ritchie Exploration; Tom manages Highland Ranch and oversees other family agricultural interests; and Ann, a homemaker, rides and shows cutting horses. They have eight grandchildren.

After graduation, Scott worked for the Ohio Oil Co. from 1954 until May of 1955 when he was called to active duty in the service as a result of his ROTC commission. He served at Forbes Field, Topeka as Base Petroleum Officer and as adjutant in an A&E squadron until May 1957 when he was discharged.

He elected not to return to employment at Ohio Oil and joined Rocket Drilling Co. where Bill Petersen, a KGS member was also employed. His first wellsite job for Rocket Drilling was a rank wildcat in Brown County that was 5 miles from the nearest control hole. He was told to not penetrate the Mississippian, Hunton, Viola or Simpson more than five feet before circulating for samples. He believes that he probably set a Kansas record for circulating time.

With the demise of Rocket Drilling in December 1958, Scott was left without a job and at that period prospects for finding employment were poor. Bud Derby allowed Scott to occupy an office in return for keeping Rocket's maps and scout cards up to date. Later he acquired his own set of cards, opened a home office and pursued his career as an independent geologist. In order to pay the bills he spent several years doing wellsite geology. One large independent seemed to hire him to watch wells that would be drilling over a holiday. He said he often spent Thanksgiving, Easter, Fourth of July and New Year's Eve holidays on wells drilling in western Kansas.

As his career progressed, Scott found that several local geologists provided mentoring and help. One was Bob Watchous. Though Bob and Scott had not worked for Rocket Drilling at the same time, if Scott needed help Bob would provide that help. Another was J. Paul Jennings who worked with and provided help in understanding seismic records. Don Hellar also exerted a strong influence on Scott.

The first exploration prospect that he sold was a two well farmout from Al Siemens at Pure Oil Co., which he eventually sold to Milt Glickman. Even though it resulted in two dry holes, this sale gave him the wherewithal to continue and he gives full credit to Milt. Later Paul Jennings, who worked for Birmingham and Bartlett, made Scott a farmout that resulted in production in Barton County. In 1963 he started his own independent oil producing company.

Scott recounts an experience that he had with a "doodlebugger" out of Haven, Kansas, who used a welding rod with a spark plug on the end. The doodlebugger learned that Scott was going to drill 6 tests from the first reports. The man then preceded to doodlebug all 6 locations. He called Scott to let him know that he had a problem - the doodlebugging indicated 3 producers and 3 dry holes. The test wells were drilled. Soon after Scott encountered the doodlebugger and told him that he wanted to buy his doodle-

bug because 3 of the wells he predicted to be oil were dry and the 3 he predicted would be dry holes were oil. Scott told him his machine was 100% right – the problem was the doodlebugger was reading its data upside down. Scott said the man left in a huff.

Scott has been a Pizza Hut franchisee since 1968 and was chairman of the franchise board in 1993. He also has built up a Flint Hills ranching operation south of Emporia and spends much of his free time there.

It is in the field of professional and community activities that Scott really stands out. Among several of the offices he held in the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists is the national presidency in 1985-86. He was also president of Kansas Independent Oil and Gas Association from 1985-87. He has been a member of the Kansas Geological Survey Advisory Committee from 1984 to present, serving as chairman from 1987 to 1990. At the University of Kansas, he has been on the KU Endowment Board of Trustees from 1994 to present. He served on the KU First Steering Committee from 2000 to 2005. Service to his fraternity, Phi Delta Theta, includes membership on the Board of Trustees of the Education Foundation.

Community-wise his service is also very impressive: Audubon Society of Kansas, Trustee 1999 to present; Wichita Art Museum, Board of Trustees, 2000-present; Wichita Community Foundation, Board of Directors, 1992-98. Wichita Petroleum Club Board of Directors, 1977-80; Heartspring Board of Directors, 1997-98; Wichita Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors 1990-95.

Scott has received special recognition from the University of Kansas Dept. of Geology by receiving the Erasmus Haworth Award for Distinguished Alumni Honors in Geology. Looking back on his career,
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Scott says without hesitation if he had it to do over he would still be a petroleum geologist. He does not believe that anyone would be able to find a better mix of opportunity and fulfillment. For a young geologist entering the field today he has some very pertinent advice: you cannot spend too many hours prospecting and always be ready to "think outside the box"; study existing oil fields to find a unique signature; learn the business side and prospect in areas that will be economic at current prices; and always guard your professional reputation.

Although in earlier years he enjoyed tennis and skiing now his recreational activities are bird-hunting and fishing, particularly on his Flint Hills ranch.

As he looks to the future, Scott plans to continue the excitement of an active exploration program and carry on his recreational interests. He and Carol plan to spend considerable time on the ranch, but they also plan to travel to places of interest in the U.S. and overseas.

This fellow professional has had a wide and varied and very successful career with considerable emphasis on service to the profession and the community.



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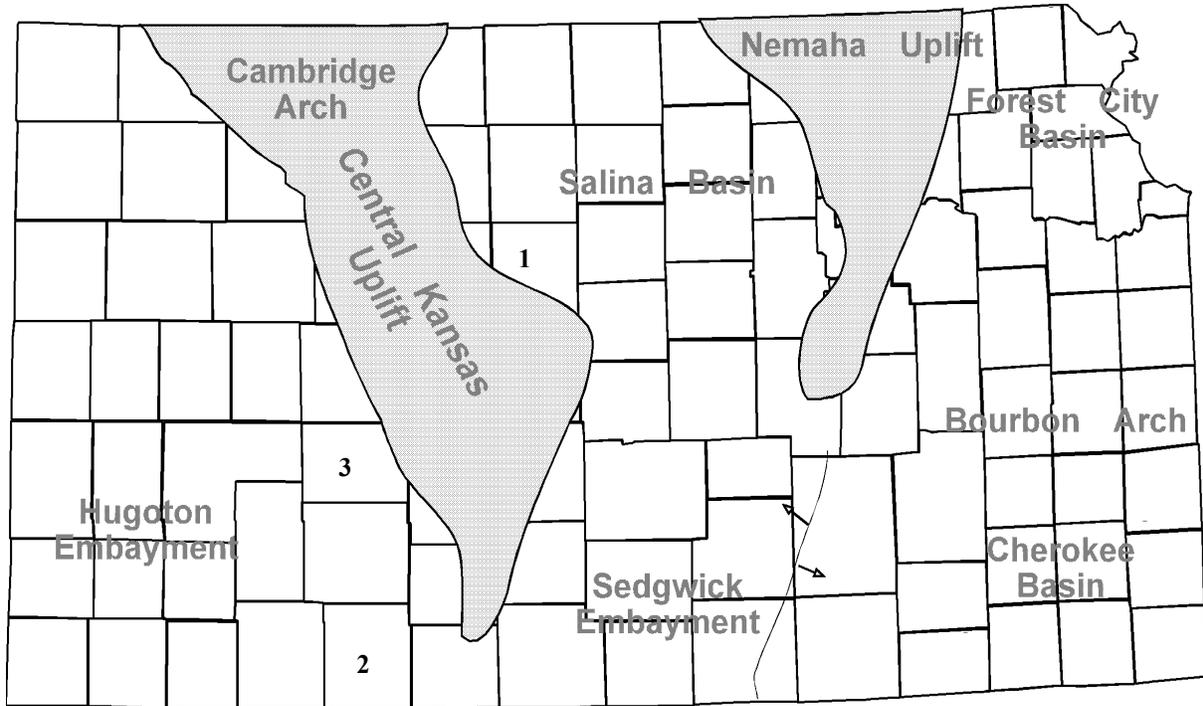
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Harold McNeil	03/91	1991	W. W. "Brick" Wakefield	03/99	1999
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M.F. "Ted" Bear	10/91	1991	James A. Morris	01/00	2000
James & Kathryn Gould	11/91	1991	Eric H. Jager	03/00	2000
E. Gail Carpenter	06/91	1993	Kenneth W. Johnson	03/00	2000
Benton Brooks	09/92	1992	Dean C. Schaake	03/00	2000
Robert C. Armstrong	01/93	1993	Fred S. Lillibridge	05/00	2000
Nancy Lorenz	02/93	1993	Jerry A. Langrehr	07/00	2000
Norman R. Stewart	07/93	1993	Clark A. Roach	07/00	2000
Robert W. Watchous	12/93	1993	Floyd W. "Bud" Mallonee	10/00	2000
J. George Klein	07/94	1994	Ralph W. Ruuwe	09/00	2000
Harold C.J. Terhune	01/95	1995	Robert L. Slamal	02/01	2001
Carl Todd	01/95	1995	Jerold E. Jespersion	06/01	2001
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James D. Davies	08/88	1997	Benny Singleton	09/03	2003
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Arthur (Bill) Jacques	1/98	1998	Ruth Bell Steinberg		2004
Bus Woods	1/98	1998	Gordon Keen	03/04	2004
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Stephen Powell	04/98	1998	Mervyn Mace	12/04	2004
Deane Jirrels	05/98	1998	Donald Hoy Smith	03/05	2005
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EXPLORATION HIGHLIGHTS

*By John H. Morrison, III
Independent Oil and Gas Service*



(1) Castle Resources Pumps Discovery Well for 80 BOPD:

(Wichita, KS - IOGsi News Service 7/25/2005) - Castle Resources, Inc., of Schoenchen (KS), is producing 80 barrels of oil and 20 barrels of water per day at their Driscoll #1 new pool discovery well in Russell County. Located in approximately NW SE NE in section 8- T15s- R14W, the wildcat well found Lansing-Kansas City oil deposits on separated feature almost one-half mile east of the Arbuckle oil-producing Kennebec Field. Operator used WW Drilling tools to drill the well to a rotary total depth of 3349 ft. Perforations were shot with 4 holes per foot in five, four-foot intervals beginning at 3038, 3060, 3076, 3186 and 3283 ft. All zones were acidized. Jerry Green, President/geologist, called the log top of the Lansing at 3037 (-1192 KB). The new oil field, unnamed at this time, lies about 8 miles south-southwest of Russell, Kansas.

(2) EOG Resources Completes Clark County Wildcat:

(Wichita, KS - IOGsi News Service 8/22/2005) - EOG Resources, of Oklahoma City (OK), has established a new unnamed oil field in Clark County, near the city of Englewood. The Gardiner #2-11 has tested commercial amounts of crude oil from the Mississippian Chester formation at site located in C N/2 NE NW in section 11-T34s- R24W. The exploratory well was drilled to a total depth of 5904 ft last June. Production began on July 13, 2005. No other details have been released. This new oil discovery lies about 1-1/2 miles northeast of EOG Resources Gardiner #1-15 in section 15- T34s- R24W, which is also producing natural gas at an undisclosed rate from the Mississippian Chester Sands. The well was completed in June this year as a northerly stepout and extension of the Color Field.

(3) Palomino Petroleum Confirms New Obee SE Field:

(Wichita, KS - IOGsi News Service 7/25/2005) - Palomino Petroleum, of Newton (KS), has successfully confirmed Cherokee oil production in their newly established Obee Southeast Field in Ness County. The #1 Stum-Kerr, spotted in approximately SE SE SW in section 7- T19s- R23W, has been completed for 100 barrels of oil per day, no water. The well is producing crude from Cherokee Sand through perforations shot between 4276 to 4278 ft. Total depth is 4370 ft. The well was drilled as a southeast offset to Palomino's #1 Stum, that has produced over 3,200 barrels of oil from the Cherokee since completed in January this year. Field area is located 2-1/4 miles south of Ness City, Kansas.

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Hamburgers and hotdogs with all the “fix’ins” and sides were plentiful and tasty.



The turnout was great, even though the weather promised to keep us indoors.



It was a good evening to catch up with people and chat.

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September 2005

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Among others, this new Society has one major goal and purpose:

- To provide a venue focused on bringing specific geophysical applications to the practicing geoscientist so that we can better utilize our multiple toolsets of today and tomorrow.

The Society will meet regularly in a Technical Luncheon forum which will highlight speakers and instructors who will bring particular expertise and insight relevant to a variety of surface and subsurface issues of importance to the practicing geoscientist.

Our technical program for the 2005-06 calendar year will be notably initiated by a presentation entitled “Exploring in Kansas with Small Prospect Specific 3D Surveys”, to be given by highly regarded Denver consulting geophysicist Bill Miller. Please plan ahead to join us for his talk to be held at the Bank of America Auditorium on Wednesday, September 14, 2005 at 12:30 PM.

In advance of the technical program, we invite members and prospective members to join us for Mexican buffet lunch at the South Room of the Petroleum Club, commencing at 11:30 AM. Please call Kirk Rundle at 316-721-1421 in order to assist us in planning and to secure a reservation.

Future Technical Programs are being arranged by Rick Saenger, who can be reached at 316-264-6366. If you wish to be considered for an opportunity to present at one of our Technical Luncheons, or if you have been exposed to a presentation which you believe would be of interest to the Society, please contact Rick.

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Natural Gas Resources of the Unita Basin, Utah and the Deep Anadarko Basin, Oklahoma and Texas National Energy Technology Laboratory

Natural Gas Resources of the Greater Green River and Wind River Basins of Wyoming – National Energy Technology Laboratory

Total Petroleum System and assessment of Coalbed Gas in the Powder River Basin Province, Wyoming and Montana USGS

Coalbed Natural Gas – National Energy Technology Laboratory May 2005

Meeting Future Demands for Natural Gas in South Central Alaska – National Energy Technology Laboratory June 2004

COAL

National Coal Resource Assessment – 1999 Resource Assessment of Selected Tertiary Coal Beds and Zones in the Northern Rocky Mountains and Great Plains Region (Two Disc's) – USGS

Alaska Coal Geology, Resources, and Coalbed Methane Potential – USGS

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National Coal Resource Assessment – Resource Assessment of the Springfield, Herrin, Danville, and Baker Coals in the Illinois Basin (Two Disc's) - USGS

Geologic Assessment of Coal in the Colorado Plateau: Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah – 2 Disc's – USGS -2000

EXPLORATION

Stratigraphic Framework, Structure and Thermal Maturity of Cretaceous and Lower Tertiary Rocks in Relation to Hydrocarbon Potential, Crazy Mountain Basin, Montana – USGS

Play Analysis and Digital Portfolio of Major Oil Reservoirs in the Permian Basin – Analysis of 1,339 reservoirs – National Energy Technology Laboratory

Maps Showing Geology, Oil and Gas Fields, and Geologic Provinces of the Arctic

Australian Oil and Gas – A compilation of Geoscience Australia's key petroleum publications and Products -2005

Western Australia Petroleum Explorers Guide – Geological Survey of Western Australia

Australia – Release of Offshore Petroleum Exploration Areas – 2005 – Australian Government – Department of Industry, Tourism, and Resources

STRATIGRAPHY

Facies Analysis and Sequence Stratigraphic framework of Upper Campanian Strata (Neislen and Mount Garfield Formations, Bluecastle Tongue of the Castlegate Sandstone and Mancos Shale), Eastern Book Cliffs, Colorado and Utah.

SEISMIC, GRAVITY AND MAGNETICS

“3-D Seismic Exploration Project, Ute Indian Tribe Uintah and Ouray Reservations, Uintah County, Utah” – National Energy Technology Laboratory – 4 Disc’s

All Basins – Proprietary Surveys – Echo Geophysical Corporation

Gravity and Magnetics – International Non-Exclusive Data and Interpretations – May 2005 – Fugro Robertson Inc.

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Benefits of Advanced Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Technology – Department of Energy

PRODUCTION

Produced Water Geochemistry Database, Greater Green River and Wind River Basins, Wyoming – National Energy Technology Laboratory

Oil Recovery Field Demonstration Class I, II, III & Revisit

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