Reaching New Heights—Your Future in Natural Gas

Our industry looks to attract new talent and retain key employees to keep us moving forward.

What better way for employees to learn how they can continue to climb the natural gas ladder than from their industry leaders.

✓ How did you get your first job?
✓ What was your first day on the job like?
✓ What was your most interesting day on the job?
✓ Do you have any advice to give to someone looking to start their career in NG or looking to advance their career?
✓ What kinds of leadership training is offered at your organization?

Panelists:
Mike Grubb, SGA
President and CEO
Sarena D. Burch, SCANA Corporation
Senior Vice President, Fuel Procurement and Asset Management
Arthur Corbin, Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia
President & Chief Executive Officer
Charles S. Warrington, Jr., Clearwater Gas System
Managing Director & Executive Office

Click here for the news release
Click here for the participation packet

BONUS Program: How Do You Promote Partnership, Innovation and Employee Excellence?

Learn from the SGA Executive Council as they discuss promoting partnership and innovation in the natural gas industry. Discover how they drive their employees to reach new heights in their careers in natural gas.

Monthly Video Broadcast
Thursday, June 13, 2013
9:30—10:30 AM CT
Available in the SGA Network Video Library anytime after 8:00 AM CT

Planning for Retirement

How to best prepare for your retirement with the changing financial landscape.

✓ Learn how retirement considerations have changed including the new role of healthcare and social security.
✓ Make sure that you are planning to cover your essentials, ensure your lifestyle, and prepare for the unexpected.
✓ Get valuable take away tips; they will allow you to begin your planning or revise your existing plan immediately.

Click Here to register on WebEx for this LIVE interactive webinar.

Monthly Webinar
Tuesday, June 25, 2013
9:30—10:30 AM CT

The Network Moves Away From Satellite Broadcast

In today’s world people want what they want, when they want it. We are all busy and everyone’s schedule is different. Individuals have transitioned from the use of TV to Netflix, the DVR and Apple TV. Our professional lives are not much different.

1. Satellite viewing has become a thing of the past and we airing our last broadcast on July 11, 2013.

We will continue to offer our monthly broadcast two convenient ways.

1. On the website—click here to view our Quick Start Guide.
2. Monthly DVD—Contact Farlene Powell via email at farlene@southerngas.org to be added to the mailing list and start receiving your copy.
Recommended Reading

How to Win Friends and Influence People, by Dale Carnegie
This grandfather of all people-skills books was first published in 1937. It was an overnight hit, eventually selling 15 million copies. How to Win Friends and Influence People is just as useful today as it was when it was first published, because Dale Carnegie had an understanding of human nature that will never be outdated.

Good to Great, by Jim Collins
Making the transition from good to great doesn’t require a high-profile CEO, the latest technology, innovative change management, or even a fine-tuned business strategy. At the heart of those rare and truly great companies was a corporate culture that rigorously found and promoted disciplined people to think and act in a disciplined manner.

Welcome to Connect@SGA
SGA is pleased to announce an exciting new space at SGA called Connect@SGA. This is a social media tool for our members to use to connect with each other and allow SGA to serve it’s membership in new and exciting ways. Our goal is to extend the collaborative aspects of SGA by extending the social interaction and networking that happens at our conferences, workshops and roundtables beyond the events themselves. This new tool provides individuals the opportunity to:

- Connect with others
- Learn from each other
- Extend event participation
- Congregate into communities of like interests
- Share Ideas

To get started, go to http://connect.southerngas.org and login. If you do not have an account already, you can create one. Please keep in mind that your account is tied to your email address so that you receive communications and up to date ideas and requests from other membership individuals.

Available in the Video Library

Getting to Results with Jones Loflin

Becoming the Obvious Choice (Web Conference) with Bryan Dodge

7 Moments That Define Personal Excellence with Lee J. Colan

Network News Live: Switch—Learn more about the Switch project; get the facts and how you can recreate the experience in your office.

Upcoming Live Events

Southern Gas Association

Advanced In-Line Inspection Workshop
June 4-6, 2013 Dublin, OH

Environmental, Safety & Health, and Training Conference
June 4-6, 2013 St Louis, MO

Offshore Gas Operations Conference & Exhibits
June 12-14, 2013 Lake Charles, LA

Gas Machinery Research Council

Factors in Compressor Station Design
June 19-21, 2013 Houston, TX

Member and Member+PLUS Benefits

Want to know more about SGA Network and your member benefits? The following support documents are now available on the SGA Network “About Us” page:

- Welcome Message from the Managing Director
- Member Benefits
- 2013 Calendar
- Network News
- Navigating the Website
- Topics
- Supervisor Mapping Tools
- Industry Knowledge Catalogue
- Year End Report

Fun Facts from Gary

Did you know that 47.2% of all statistics are made up on the spot?
Programming Committee Meeting Reminder

The Programming Committee 2014 planning meeting will be September 11-13, 2013 in Tulsa, OK. To get more details and information click here.

Attention ALL Network Site Coordinators:

Please plan to join the programming committee for a special virtual user group meeting.

User Group Meeting
Thursday, September 12th, 2013 @ 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM CT.

Click Here to register using WebEx.

What Do We Do?

The committee meets annually to determine program needs for the upcoming year, develop learning competencies, define potential speakers, and share best practices that will bring greater information and efficiencies to respective organizations.

Reasons to Attend?

- To develop member driven, timely learning and development programs for the SGA Network.
- Share best practices that will bring greater information and efficiencies to SGA member organizations.

Who’s Invited?

The SGA Network Programming Committee is comprised of learning and development professionals from SGA Network Member Companies. All SGA Network USERS are invited to attend the User Group meeting on Thursday, September 12th, 2013.

Is Your Company Represented?

Click here to see a list of our current committee members. If your company is not represented, please contact Natalie Corey to participate.

SGA Network 2013 Mid-Year Evaluation

Thank you for your continued support of the SGA Network. We would like to know how the Network is supporting your learning and development needs this year. What programs did you like and where can the SGA Network improve?

Please click here to take 5 minutes to answer 10 questions and tell us how we can continue to support your organization in the future.
Meet Eugene Harris

Eugene (ONEOK, Inc.) has been a member of the programming committee for several years. In fact when asked how long he had been on the committee no one really could remember and the best answer we could get was, “It just feels like he has always been part of the group”. We asked Eugene to share with us a few of his favorite things and this is what he told us:

1. Color: “Purple and Gold (My fraternity’s colors)”
2. Band: “Earth, Wind and Fire”
3. Vacation Spot: “St. Lucia”
4. Hobby: “Genealogy”

Eugene is also our host of the Programming Committee 2014 planning meeting September 11-13, 2013 in Tulsa, OK at the ONEOK offices.

Update on Mapping

We’re getting good feedback on the Supervisor Mapping Tools. These tools map the eight areas of responsibility for a supervisor, to specific topics/competencies and then to videos that provide training and education around these topics. The user can quickly identify videos for download along with supporting materials (study guides, discussion outlines, etc.)

And Industry Knowledge Catalogue is now available to guide users to industry specific virtual events. A listing of webinars and webcasts focuses on natural gas marketing, customer experience, operations and compliance.

Both of these documents have been added to the SGA Network webpage under “About SGA Network”.

From the Editor:

As the SGA Network Service Coordinator it is important to me that you have all your questions answered. I am always available by phone or email so please contact me for all your Network needs.

Want to learn more about the Network? We can schedule a live web conference with your company and walk through the website, mapping tools, video library or any of our learning tools, together. I am here to help!

As always you can send your questions and ideas for the newsletter to: farlene@southerngas.org

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