

**Leadership Southeast Texas Class of 2007 Session II**  
**Thursday, January 25, 2007**  
**DEEP and WIDE: WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE...**  
**BUT WHAT DO WE DO WITH IT?**  
*Critical state and federal issues impacting our future*  
**7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**  
**Frances Ann Lutcher Theater**  
**707 Main Avenue in downtown Orange**

**7:30 a.m. Registration in lobby, first floor**

**Continental Breakfast and Wearable Art on theater stage**

Suzie Simmons '01, Wearable Art Coordinator

**8:00 a.m. Welcome, Acknowledgements and Theater Logistics**

Tom Henry '03, LSET Chair, TOTAL Petrochemicals, Port Arthur

Mary McKenna '95, Chair, Lutcher Theater Board of Directors

Jim Clark '05, General Manager, Lutcher Theater; performance tickets drawing

**Session II Topic: Setting the Stage and Session Expectations**

Kim McMurray '99, LSET Program Chair/Entergy Economic Development

Dennis Isaacs '99, LSET Communications Chair/DuPont Elastomers, Timekeeper

**8:15 a.m. Deeper and Wider Waterway: Understanding federal issue for SETX**

Economic impact and future of Sabine-Neches waterway and costs

**Clayton Henderson, Jefferson County Waterway & Navigation District,**

**Nederland;** Question/Answer Period with Open Forum

**8:45 a.m. Deeper and Wider Waterway: panel discussion with key "players"**

**Moderator: Ann Galassi '97, Sabine River Authority, Orange**

Question/Answer Period with Open Forum

**Milam D. Mabry, Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, Washington, D.C.:** "Selling"

project to public (bond issue); status on Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) authorization

**Paula K. Wise, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Galveston:** Project milestones, operations goals, environmental impacts

**Captain Ellen K. Warner, Sabine Pilots, Groves:** safety and increased traffic

**Gene Bouillion '00, Orange County Navigation & Port District:** Impacting all SETX ports

**10:30 a.m. Refreshment Break and Wearable Art on theater stage**

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**10:45 a.m. State Water Planning Issues and 80<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature**

Question/Answer Period with Open Forum

**Moderator: Lonnie Arrington, Legislative Chair, Lower Neches Valley**

**Authority:** legislation, Junior Water Rights, interbasin transfers, new reservoirs

**Jack Tatum, Sabine River Authority:** SRA basin; bays, estuaries, return stream flows (20,000 square miles)

**Scott Hall '07, Lower Neches Valley Authority:** LNVA basin; operation/benefits of salt water barrier; West Regional Treatment Plant (Bolivar Peninsula); North Regional Treatment Plant (industrial waste water)

**12:15 p.m. Buffet lunch on Third Floor Foyer and Balcony**

**1:00 p.m. Class Portrait, Gerald Burleigh, Critters and Creations, Mauriceville**

Theater auditorium seating

**1:30 p.m. LSET Day in Austin V Briefing, March 25-26, 2007/ Registration Forms Admissions 2008 Nominations deadline April 5, 2007**

**Administrative/ Class binder/ SETRPC Regional Directory**

Vernon Pierce '05, LSET Day in Austin Chair/Entergy Texas

Joe Ely '00, Admissions 2008 Chair/Orange Savings Bank, Vidor; Regina Lindsey '05, Admissions Co-Chair/Silsbee EDC; Bessie Chisum, Executive Director

**2:00 p.m. Breakout Group Tutorials: Looking "Deeper" at issues/path forward Group Task Assignments: Kim McMurray '99**

**Group I – A wider view of the economic impact**

Clayton Henderson, JCWND, presenter

Karen Bourdier '00, Entergy Economic Development, facilitator/timekeeper

**Group II – Public advocacy on issues**

Verna Rutherford '95, Greater Port Arthur Chamber and Raymond Johnson '07, Port of Port Arthur Commission president, presenters

Dennis Isaacs '99, DuPont Performance Elastomers, facilitator/timekeeper

**Group III – What are the Sabine Pilots?**

Capt. Ellen K. Warner, presenter

Laura Wilson '99, LLWilson ED Services, Dayton, facilitator/timekeeper

**Group IV – How do river authorities work?**

Scott Hall '07, LNVA, presenter

Ann Galassi '97, SRA, facilitator/timekeeper

**3:00 p.m. Refreshment Break on theater stage**

**3:15 p.m. Breakout Group Reports: what did we learn and what's next?**

**Moderator: Laura Wilson '99**

Question/Answer Period in Open Forum to Breakout spokespersons

**4:00 p.m. Summary of Session, Comments Forms and Closing Remarks**  
Dennis Isaacs, Kim McMurray, Bessie Chisum

**4:30 p.m. Adjournment until Sunday, March 25, 2:00 pm, Austin**

## **Breakout "Tutorial" Groups**

**Group 1- Board Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor**  
***Digging deeper into economic impact-***  
**Clayton Henderson (JCWND) Presenter**  
**Karen Bourdier, Facilitator**

**Group Spokesperson \_\_\_\_\_**

### **LSET Participants–**

Rosanne Akin, Orange  
Pat Anderson, Beaumont  
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Dallas J. Barrington, Silsbee  
Jayne Bordelon, Beaumont  
David Caplan, Beaumont  
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Mark Herndon, Dayton  
Madelyn Hunt, Beaumont  
Guy Robert Jackson, Anahuac  
Thomas Kelley, Beaumont  
Ben Johnson, Evadale  
Vicki Scott, Orange  
Philip Welch, Orangefield

**Group 3 – Third Floor Foyer**  
***What are Sabine Pilots?***  
**Captain Ellen K. Warner, Presenter**  
**Laura Wilson, Facilitator**

**Group Spokesperson \_\_\_\_\_**

### **LSET Participants -**

Travis Brisco, Beaumont  
Kimberly Garrett, Silsbee  
Lynda K. Guidry, Bolivar Peninsula  
Cody A. Jarrott, Woodville  
Eddie Lewis, Newton  
Emmett McKinley, Nederland/Atascocita  
Mary Poole, Beaumont  
Angela Reeves, Orange  
Paul Spence, Buna  
Charles Shofner, Jr., Jasper

**Group 2 – On Stage**  
***Public Advocacy on Issues-***  
**Verna Rutherford (PACOC) and Raymond**  
**Johnson (Port of PA), presenters**  
**Dennis Isaacs, Facilitator**  
**Group Spokesperson \_\_\_\_\_**

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Tommy Bartosh, Silsbee  
Hunter Bothe, Beaumont/Anahuac  
Todd Brindle, Kountze  
Shanna Burke, Beaumont  
Johnnie Keen Brown, Vidor  
Rod Carroll, Beaumont  
Eileen Deges Curl, Beaumont  
Jason Fuller, Silsbee  
Carol P. Hebert, Port Arthur  
Raymond Johnson, Port Arthur  
Chuck Kalkbrenner, Beaumont  
Patti King, Port Arthur  
Tom Lassiter, Silsbee/Evadale

**Group 4 – "Shop" adjacent to stage**  
***How Do River Authorities Work?***  
**Scott Hall (LNVA) and Jack Tatum (SRA),**  
**Presenters**  
**Ann Galassi, Facilitator**  
**Group Spokesperson \_\_\_\_\_**

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Steve Curran , Port Neches  
Sabrina Gray, Orange  
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Mitch Osborne, Port Arthur  
Jim Philp, Lumberton  
Becky Rutledge, Bridge City  
Sherrie Sheppard, Orange  
Leslie Symmonds, Port Neches

Mary Beth Stengler, Anahuac  
Pamela Wise, Port Arthur  
Brenda B. Wilber, Winnie

Jonathan Wolfe, Beaumont  
Sherry Woodard, Silsbee  
Terry L. Wright, Vidor

## RESOURCE WEBSITES

### FEDERAL WATERWAY ISSUES

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| <b>Jefferson County Waterway &amp; Navigation District</b>     | No website; link to feasibility study<br><a href="http://www.swg.usace.army.mil/pe-p/SNWW/JCNWD.pdf">http://www.swg.usace.army.mil/pe-p/SNWW/JCNWD.pdf</a> |
| <b>Bracewell and Giuliani LLP</b> , Washington, D.C.           | <a href="http://www.bracewellgiuliani.com">www.bracewellgiuliani.com</a>   |
| <b>Army Corps of Engineers</b> , Southwest District, Galveston | <a href="http://www.swg.usace.army.mil">www.swg.usace.army.mil</a>   |
| <b>Sabine Pilots</b> , Groves                                  | <a href="http://www.sabinepilots.com">www.sabinepilots.com</a>   |
| <b>Orange County Navigation and Port District</b> , Orange     | <a href="http://www.portoforange.com/">www.portoforange.com/</a>   |
| <b>Port of Port Arthur</b> , Port Arthur                       | <a href="http://www.portofportarthur.com/">www.portofportarthur.com/</a>   |

### TEXAS WATER PLANNING ISSUES

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| <b>Lower Neches Valley Authority of Texas</b> , Beaumont | <a href="http://www.lnva.dst.tx.us">www.lnva.dst.tx.us</a>                           |
| <b>Sabine River Authority of Texas</b> , Orange          | <a href="http://www.sra.dst.tx.us">www.sra.dst.tx.us</a>                             |
| <b>Texas Water Development Board</b>                     | <a href="http://www.twdb.state.tx.us">www.twdb.state.tx.us</a>                       |
| <b>East TX Regional Water Planning Group</b> , Jasper    | <a href="http://www.detcog.org/etrwpg/index.htm">www.detcog.org/etrwpg/index.htm</a> |

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