

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Thank You

Thank you Greg Wells for your service to the IGSHPA advisory council. Greg has more than 20 years of experience in the geothermal industry as an electric utility representative, a territory manager for a geothermal heating and cooling manufacturer, a general manager of a large geothermal installation company and a geothermal sales engineer. Greg served on the advisory council from 2001 to December 2013.

Member Logo

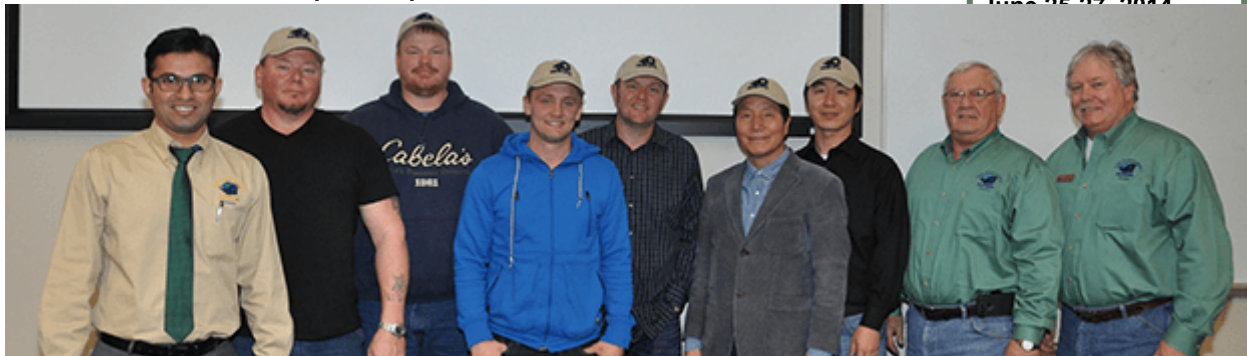
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Go Go Geo Challenge

IGSHPA created the energy savings calculator software for the 2014 Go Go Geo Challenge. The calculator allows the Go Go Geo Challenge sponsors the opportunity to show homeowners the energy savings potential one has by retrofitting their home with geothermal energy. The calculator uses the homes' square footage, insulation, and current HVAC system's age, efficiency and heating type to run a comparison of how much money could be saved by installing a geothermal system in the home. The savings rate is based on average utility rates for Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The 2014 Go Go Geo Challenge goal is to have 25,000 homeowners in Oklahoma and in participating zip codes in New Mexico, Kansas and Texas participate in the challenge. To find out more about the Go Go Geo Challenge, visit the official [website](#).

Accredited Driller Workshop Participants



Six participants attended an Accredited Vertical Loop Installer Workshop February 19-21 at the Stillwater training center. Attendees were Hyoun Kyu Choi, ES Tech, Korea; Jeremy Hanna, Energy 1 USA, Richmond, Ontario, Canada; William Riggio, Consumer Choice, Patchogue, N.Y.; Jeff Steinke, Western Drilling Inc., Bismark, ND; and Jeffrey Town, Town Oilfield Services, Spring Hill, Kan.

2014 IGSHPA Technical Conference and Expo

IGSHPA Conference Coordinator, Shelly Fitzpatrick, has announced a CALL FOR PAPERS for the 2014 Technical

EVENTS CALENDAR

March 10-14, 2014
[Train-The-Trainer Course](#)
Stillwater, OK

March 12-14, 2014
[Accredited Installer Workshop](#)
Stillwater, OK

April 9-11, 2014
[Certified GeoExchange Plus Course](#)
Stillwater, OK

May 7-9, 2014
[Accredited Driller Workshop](#)
Stillwater, OK

June 23-27, 2014
[Train-The-Trainer Course](#)
Stillwater, OK

June 25-27, 2014

Conference and Expo October 15-16 at the Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel and Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, Md., and will accept those at shelly.fitzpatrick@okstate.edu. Past conference tracts have included Marketing, Technical, Innovations, and Manufacturing. New ideas for presentations are welcome. Contact Shelly to be considered to present at conference.

Current conference information including exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities is available at <http://www.igshpaconference.com>.

Geo Outlook Advertising

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Membership Renewals

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GEO THERMAL NEWS

Bosch and Orca Energy Sign Joint Marketing Agreement

Bosch Thermotechnology has signed an agreement with U.S.-based Orca Energy, a leading geothermal utility provider, to jointly market a geothermal infrastructure-equipment solution to developers, homebuilders and prospective new homeowners in the U.S. Read more about the agreement [here](#).

Builder believes in the benefits of geothermal heating and cooling

Savannah Builders owner Mike Gilles is unabashed when asked to provide his reasoning behind specifying geothermal for all his projects. His response: "I know it works, I know it helps reduce emissions, and I know it saves my customers money." Read more [here](#).

Geothermal Retrofit Meets Efficiency Goals

Charles Machine Works in Perry, Okla., recently retrofitted its 28,800-square-foot product development center to include a 150-ton geothermal system. Read more about the project and the expected savings for Charles Machine Works [here](#).

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