

## THE PEACE RIVER BRANCH EXECUTIVE

Every year the Branch Executive changes hands in order to bring new ideas and people into our planning process. This year two new recruits were added to the team. One new executive member from the High Level area (Darrell Quist) volunteered. Our hope is to begin to plan and host events in this part of our branch. David Lario, an new EIT, has also joined the executive. The branch success is dependent on new voices, new ideas, and our volunteers. Thank you, to all the executive, for continuing to volunteer!!!

The 2002-2003 Executive Team is:

<b>Lisa Hall, P.Eng</b>	Chair	<b>Members at Large:</b>
<b>Cheri Berns, EIT</b>	<i>Vice-Chair</i>	<b>Jim Davis, P.Eng</b>
<b>Sylvain Cadieux, P.Eng</b>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<b>Jason Fimrite, P.Eng</b>
<b>Hasan Rizvi, P.Eng</b>	<i>Secretary</i>	<b>Darwin Juell, P.Eng</b>
<b>Bert Hunt, P.Eng</b>	<i>Collage Liaison</i>	<b>Daivd Lario, EIT</b>
<b>Trent McLaughlin, P.Eng</b>	OutReach Coordinator	<b>Darell Quist, P.Eng</b>
<b>Heidi Yang, P.Eng</b>	<i>Past-Chair</i>	<b>Dan Ropchan. P.Eng</b>

The purpose of the Branch is to represent APEGGA locally. We complete this through our outreach program that promotes science and technology in branch community schools and planning events for branch members to network and receive professional development.

If your are interested in adding your ideas to the table, please contact Lisa Hall (lisa.hall@weyerhaeuser.com).

## DO YOU NEED A PERMIT TO PRACTICE?

Data from the PEGG articles by Mr. Dave Todd, P.Eng  
Summarized by Lisa Hall, P.Eng

It is generally well known in industry and by the public of the requirement for individuals to be registered in order to practice or hold themselves out to practice engineering, geology and geophysics. It is not common knowledge that our legislative act requires partnerships, corporations and other entities that practice these professions to hold permits to practice.

### Why Is A Permit To Practice Required?

It is an instrument of quality control that APEGGA uses to exercise its mandate under the EGGP Act. APEGGA is able to influence the quality of professional practice conducted within the structure of a corporation. The permit holder is a corporate member of APEGGA bound by the same Code of Ethics as an individual professional member of the Association.

### Who Requires A Permit To Practice?

The EGGP Act requires that any organization that practices the professions have a Permit to Practice. Size of the company or whether the company is practicing for internal or external reasons does not matter. It is simple; if you are practicing through a company, the company requires a Permit to Practice.

### More Specifically:

- An individual who is a professional member of APEGGA, who engages in the practice of engineering, geology or geophysics in his or her own name does not require a permit to practice. Their personal registration is, in effect, their permit. If this same individual

practices through a company, then the company requires a permit to practice, even if the member is the only employee.

- If a parent company or joint venture group holds a permit to practice, any subsidiary of that company does not require one unless the subsidiary is a separate entity with a different name.

## Outreach – would you like to?

Reaching out to the local schools is one of the prime functions of the APEGGA branches. The Peace River Branch Outreach Coordinator (Trent McLaughlin) organizes our branch volunteers for various local activities. Some of which include:

- Hosting the APEGGA booth at the GPRC Career Days.
- Science & Technology nights at local schools (Peace River & Grande Prairie).
- Activity tent at the Alberta Science Festival.

Promoting an interest in math and science through our local schools helps to raise children's awareness of engineering, geology and geophysics professions. If you are interested in talking to students about science and engineering careers, PLEASE VOLUNTEER. It is an excellent way to develop speaking and presentation skills plus earn professional development hours.

**NEW VOLUNTEERS ONLY – Please fill in volunteer form located at [www.apegga.org/education/outreach\\_program.html](http://www.apegga.org/education/outreach_program.html)**

**Thanks, in advance, for helping out!**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS – looking ahead....

Month	Event
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Science and Technology Week Science Night in Grande Prairie, Hillside School Contact Jeanne Keaschuk ( <a href="mailto:jkeaschuk@apegga.org">jkeaschuk@apegga.org</a> ) to volunteer!
October 18 <sup>th</sup>	Professional Development Day, GPRC Call Shirley Layne to register (1-800-661-7020).
November	Watch for GPRC Engineering Student Job Shadow & Student Night
January	Technical night