



THE SANDPIPER



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MEETING OF OCTOBER 22, 2012

PRESIDENT Michael T. Gates presiding



GREETINGS & INVOCATION by **Frank Breselor**

GUESTS: Speaker **John Williams** from the US Geological Survey

WELCOME BACK Jim Hoffman

PROJECT SIGNUP SHEETS

DOORS OF HOPE, unloading food truck

Fri Nov 2nd: _____, _____, _____

Tues Nov 13th: _____, _____, _____

FOOD TRAILER @ SOCCER FIELDS, APHS, final Sunday Oct 28th!

1st Shift 11-2

2nd Shift 2-5

Oct 28th: TRAILER TO: **Nippes**

FROM: **Nippes**

Ellis, Linda

Hamlin

Malecki

Lane

Nippes

Nippes

VAN RENSSELAER DIVISION INSTALLATION INTERCLUBS

Wed Nov 7th North Greenbush, @ Nichi's, 6:30, \$26:

Booker, Gates, Nippes, Brownrigg, Pasquarelli

4th MONTHLY PASTA DINNER @ WSL Firehouse, Saturday, November 10th:

12 – 7, Setup & Cook: **L&L Ellis, Loveridge,** _____, _____, _____

3 – 5:30, Setup & Serve: **Brownrigg, Lane,** _____

3:30 – 7, Cashiers: **Ward,** _____

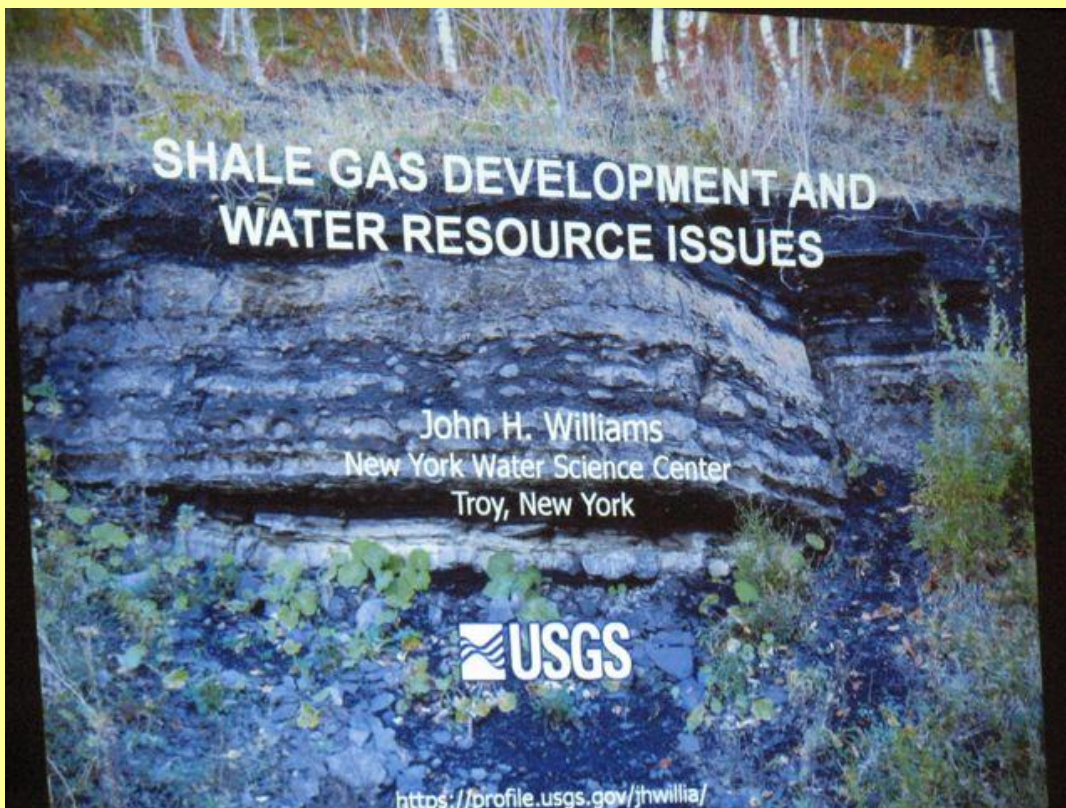
5 – 7:30, Serve & Takedown: **Lane, Weiss**

NYD KIWANIS GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISIT to the Van Rensselaer Division, Sat Nov 3rd at the Holiday Inn Turf on Wolf Road, \$10 Brunch at 11 AM: **Booker, Gates, Loveridge, Malecki**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

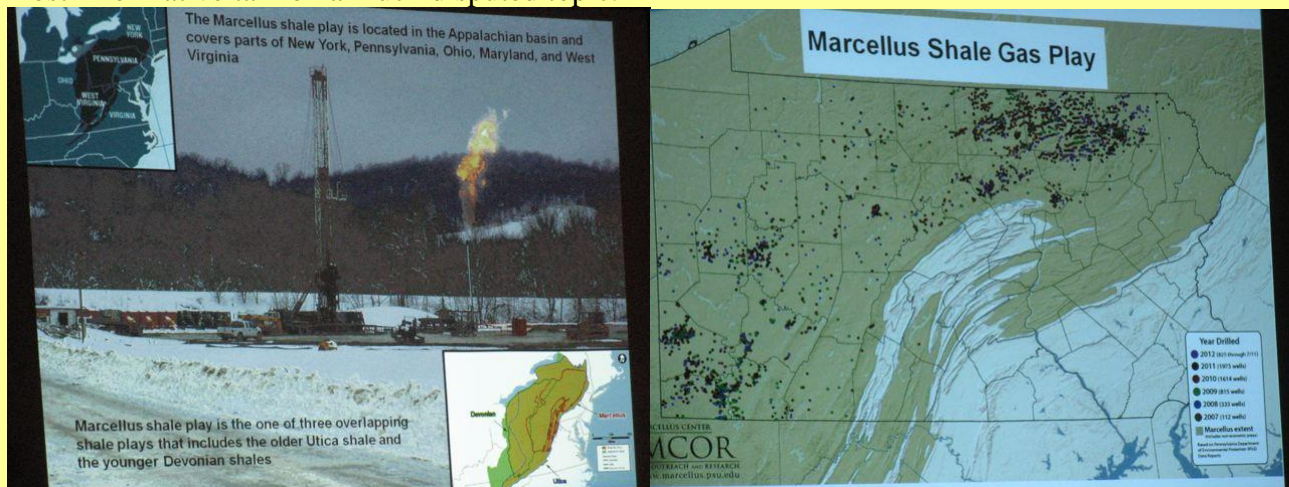
- ❖ **Pres Mike:** Having technical issues with posting of *The Sandpiper*. Expect two issues this week!
- ❖ **Pres Mike:** Need approval for gift to Governor. \$100 to be donated to the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Unit in Governor's name.
- ❖ **Jim Hoffman:** Reminder of school vote Tues Nov 13th on replacement of oldest buses in fleet, and donation of land in Poestenkill to Little League for games.

PROGRAM





John Mulligan introduced **John Williams**, an engineer with the US Geological Survey, who gave an illustrated talk on the method of using hydraulic fracturing to capture gas in New York State. Marcellus Shale is the mineral which contains the gas, and is found in the Appalachian Basin of New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, and West Virginia. Operations are already underway in all but NY. In 1667 the native Indians showed the presence of underground gas to the French explorers in the western part of NY. The first community well was dug in 1821 near Fredonia, NY. Commercial extraction of gas by hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling was done for the first time in 1948. With local permits, and land owners' leases, surface water is used to split the layers, and waste products of uranium and pyrite result. There are several methods of disposing of this waste, the safest being containment and shipping to certain designated landfills. The Marcellus Shale is several thousands of feet below the surface, far below the ground water aquifer. Adequate sealing of the vertical piping is mandated to prevent contamination of the aquifer. Orphaned, or abandoned, wells must also be well marked and sealed for the same reasons. Maps of these areas should be available to contractors who plan to drill. Local land owners' drinking water wells should be tested before any work is done, and again after drilling and production has begun. There was much discussion of the pros and cons of this controversial operation, which has still not been approved in NY State. Frank Breselor presented John with our Certificate of Appreciation for a most informative talk on a much disputed topic.



HAPPY DOLLARS

- \$ **Pat Lane:** At 8:31 this morning, I became a great-grandmother for the third time, by a lovely little girl named Emma Rae!
- \$ **John Mulligan:** I'm very pleased to be able to have John give this program tonight!

