

# COPAS EXTRA!

June 2011

**2011 COPAS  
Summer Conference  
Pittsburgh, PA  
July 18-20  
Embassy Suites Hotel**

**Time to Register!  
Deadline: June 17**



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Meeting Registration Fee: \$30

### Monday

**Morning:** Joint Interest Committee

**Afternoon:** Emerging Issues Sub-Committee

**Evening:** Reception at the Le Mont restaurant (6:00 p.m.) hosted by the Appalachia society

### Tuesday

**Morning:** Audit Committee Meeting

**Afternoon:** Education Seminar

COPAS MPACT JV Seminar

"Revenue - Beyond the Basics"

Seminar Fee: \$125

**Evening:** Baseball Game: Pittsburgh Pirates

versus Cincinnati Reds; If interested, contact Nancy Ashby [BOD9@copas.org](mailto:BOD9@copas.org) by June 17.

### Wednesday

COPAS Board of Directors Meeting - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional information available at [www.copas.org](http://www.copas.org)

**Personal Development  
Goals: Improving your  
Leadership Skills...**

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Three COPAS directors for 2012-2014 will be elected at the fall meeting in Wichita, KS.  
Nominations will be accepted through June 15.

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**Qualifications:**

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- Must be a member in good standing with a Participating Society;
- Must have a personal commitment to fulfill COPAS Board of Director duties in terms of time and personal dedication;
- Must have company support;
- Must have society support.

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Forward recommendations to Nancy Ashby at 214.265.4333 / [BOD9@copas.org](mailto:BOD9@copas.org)

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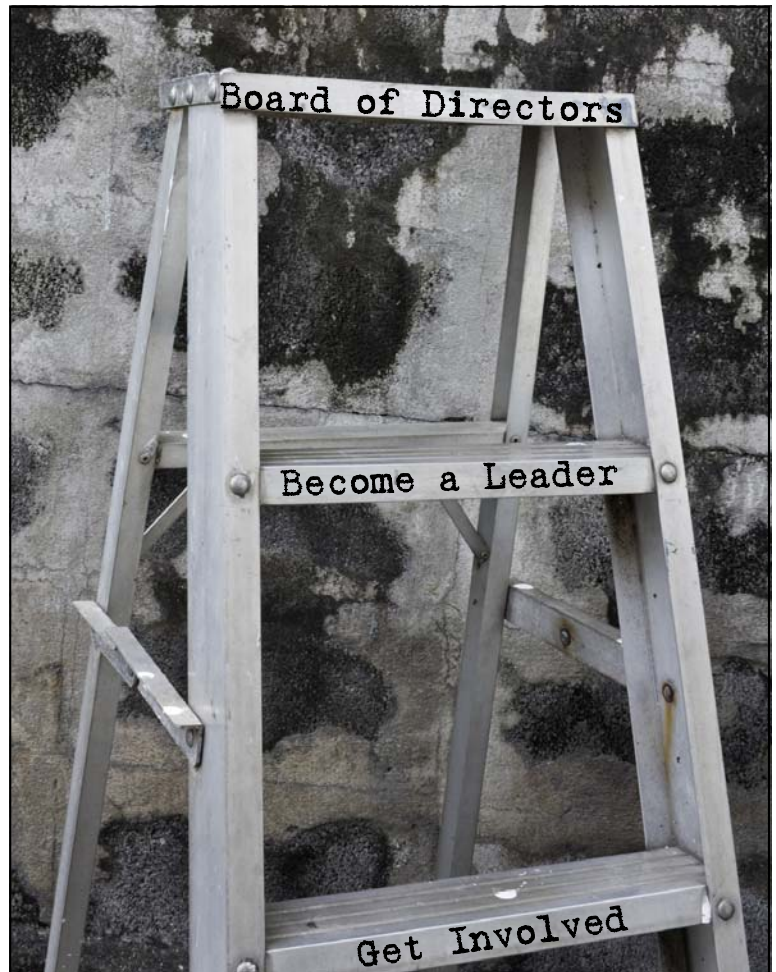
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Council of Petroleum Accountants Societies



### **COPAS Spring 2011 Council Voting Results**

- Fall 2010 Council Meeting Minutes (Passed)
- 2012 COPAS Membership Assessment Rate (Passed)
- PASCO membership application (Withdrawn)
- Audit Per Diem Adjustment, effective April 1, 2011 (Passed)
- Wage Index Adjustment, effective April 1, 2011 (Passed)
- Loading and Unloading Cost Adjustment, effective April 1, 2011 (Passed)
- Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance Rates for Cost of Self-Insurance, effective April 1, 2011 (Passed)

# **Congratulations!**



COPAS President Brenda Thompson presented the 2011 Eagle Award to Karla Bower.

Board of Examiners Chair Lary Sides presented the Jon Gear Meritorious Achievement Award to Jeremy Gilliam.





The Petroleum Accountants Society of Kansas cordially invites you and your guest to join us in Wichita October 17-21!

*The 50th Anniversary Celebration of COPAS continues!*

Our theme "Diamonds are Forever" is fitting because Kansas is celebrating the society's 75th Anniversary!

Meeting registration fees:  
Members \$295; Guests \$240  
Late Fee \$50 (applies to registrations after 9/18/11)



Additional information available at [www.copas.org](http://www.copas.org)

*Join us!*

**Hyatt Regency Hotel**  
Wichita, Kansas

Reservations: (888) 421-1442  
COPAS Discount Code: COPA  
Room Rate: \$129 per night (1-2 persons)  
\$149 per night (3-4 persons)  
(Room Rates good for three days prior & three days after)  
Registration Deadline: 9/18/11



*Important Changes for the Accredited Petroleum Accountant® Program are right on target!*

Effective July 1, the APA® Board of Examiners (BOE) has selected a new service provider, **ExamSoft**. The Board and the BOE are excited about the **ExamSoft** program and the significant enhancements it will bring to the APA® program. To ensure that all aspects of the new program are working properly, all APA® testing will be suspended for the months of July, August and September so we can make sure the enhanced program is working properly. Do not worry if your five-year window to pass the three base modules plus one elective module will be expiring this summer; you will be granted a three-month extension to complete your modules. As part of the enhancements, effective October 1, testing options for candidates will be expanded to include:

1. ACT testing sites;
2. Society- or company-sponsored sites;
3. Individual locations if a proctor is secured to monitor the test(s);
4. COPAS conferences;
5. The COPAS national office.



Keep watching for additional details as the **ExamSoft** program is rolled out. The BOE plans to offer proctoring for tests at the Fall COPAS meeting in Wichita in October, so start studying and stay tuned!



**We are looking for good photos! Please email [editor@copas.org](mailto:editor@copas.org) if you have photos taken at the spring meeting that you will share with us! Thanks!**



**It's just been one of those days...**



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