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**PMAA BOARD ELECTS 2013 LEADERS**

We congratulate **Benny Hodges**, CEO of Hodges Oil Company Inc. in Belen, NM as elected PMAA Chairman of the Board as of October 7, 2012 at PMAA's Fall Board Meeting in Las Vegas, Nevada. Benny is now in his 43rd year in the industry, He has been active in the New Mexico Petroleum Marketers Association (NMPMA) and Western Petroleum Marketers Association (WPMA) where he has served in all the chairs, and is a past president of both. Additionally, he has represented New Mexico on the PMAA Board for 12 years and has served on the PMAA Executive Committee as Brands Chair for two years.

In accepting the chairmanship, Benny thanked the Board for their confidence and pledged his best efforts to ensure the issues important to petroleum marketers receive the attention they deserve. *"We must continually strive to evaluate our purpose and direction with a constant eye on how we might improve"* said Hodges. He expressed significant support for the PMAA Long Range Planning Task Force and looks forward to participating with the task force.

Others elected to the 2013 Executive Committee include: 1st Vice Chairman: Sam Bell, SC; 2nd Vice Chairman: Grady Gaubert, LA; SC Region Chairman: Scott Zaremba, KS; Western Region Chairman: Gregg Benson, NV; NE Region Association Executive: Matt Cota, VT; SE Region Association Executive: Roger Lane, GA; NC Region Association Executive: Dawn Carlson, IA.

**2012 PETROLEUM MARKETERS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (PMLI)**

The 11th annual Petroleum Marketers Leadership Institute (PMLI-XI) will be held November 11-13 in downtown Seattle, WA at the Edgewater Hotel. Nominees for the Institute are still being accepted from PMAA state affiliates, board members, executive committee members and PMLI past graduates. The PMAA room block cut-off date is October 18. Please make your room reservations if you have not already done so. For more information on how to participate in the Leadership Institute or if you would like to nominate someone please contact [abellfield@pmaa.org](mailto:abellfield@pmaa.org). [Click here](#) to view the PMLI schedule.

**ARE YOU READY FOR 2013 FDA STORE INSPECTIONS? STATE GOVERNMENT INSPECTIONS?**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2013**

**June 4-6, 2013** - Montana (MPMCSA) Convention - Holiday Inn Grand - Billings, Montana

**June 17-20, 2013** - Washington (WOMA) Convention - Suncadia Lodge - Cle Elum, Washington

**July 31-August 2, 2013** - Idaho (IPM&CSA) Convention - Sun Valley Resort - Sun Valley, Idaho

**September 12-13, 2013** - Utah (UPMRA) Convention - Zermatt Resort - Midway, UT

Petro Pete: ***"If my memory gets any worse I'll be able to plan my own surprise party."***

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