



Young Pipeline Professionals USA

Young Pipeline Professionals U.S.A., Inc.

2020 PHMSA R&D Forum

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In the Beginning...

- The idea of addressing the industry's knowledge gap with an industry solution
- Industry leaders / young pipeline professionals met to discuss possibilities
- Young Pipeline Professionals U.S.A., Inc. was created in April of 2015
 - 501c3 Organization
- Open for membership by July 1, 2015



Our Mission

To prepare ourselves to accept the transfer of the duty of care for the pipeline industry.

Our Objectives

- Educate young professionals about the pipeline industry
- Create leadership opportunities for the next generation of pipeline professionals within YPP and other industry organizations
- Foster relationships and build a network for the advancement of the industry



Value of Membership

- Develop members technically and professionally
 - Technical presentations by industry leaders
 - Site visits related to various aspects of the pipeline industry
- Develop members in a manner that is cost efficient and has a low impact on their day-to-day roles
 - Site visits are predominantly after hours
 - Webinars and technical presentations are scheduled over lunch hours
 - Networking events are after hours and at the individual's cost



- YPP USA is not a poaching ground for recruiters or other employers
- YPP USA does not post job opportunities
- YPP USA does not provide it's contact list to anyone with the exception of organizations offering discounts for the purpose of membership verification
- YPP USA is not focused on scholarships and financial benefits



Industry Members

- Be no more than 35 years of age in the membership year, and
- Be employed or actively seeking employment by a pipeline owner/operator, service company, vendor or a consulting company which directly serves the pipeline industry and have internal stakeholder support for YPP membership.

Student Members

- Have or are pursuing a degree from an accredited four-year university, or have completed, or are enrolled in a program which provides higher education around the pipeline industry.

COST TO JOIN IS FREE!

In 2019, YPP USA introduced a new leadership and workgroup lead team and brought in a fresh set of volunteers to assist with our efforts. This includes nomination of INGAA staff member, CJ Osman.

Leadership Team

Chair: Joseph Bratton, **DNV GL**

Vice-Chair: Landon Lucadou, **Dynamic Risk**

Treasurer: Sheri Baucom, **Q-Inline**

Secretary: Kaushal Shah, **Mott Macdonald**

Membership Engagement & Communications Work Group Lead: Colette Young, **Indiana U**

Community of Practice Work Group Lead: Tyler Tunic, **Williams**

Advisor Relations Work Group Lead: CJ Osman, **INGAA**

Young Pipeliners International Liaison: Christopher Kuhman, **American Petroleum Institute**

Website Lead: Ricardo Landazabal, **Colonial Pipeline Company**

Past Chair: Molly Laughlin Doran, **Pipe Spring LLC**

In 2019, YPP USA was strongly supported by our board of directors which includes several influential pipeline executives and a regulator. The Chair and Vice-Chair of YPP USA serve on the Board of Directors. Additional Directors include:

- Tara McMahan (President)**, DNV GL
- Patrick Vieth**, Dynamic Risk
- Molly Doran**, Pipe Spring LLC
- Alan Mayberry**, PHMSA
- Andy Drake**, Enbridge
- Kimberley Tarr**, Boardwalk
- Eric Lang**, Kinder Morgan
- Chris Yoxall**, Rosen



Membership

- Our membership is spread geographically throughout the entire country and includes operators, service providers, vendors, consultants, and students
- We added 125 members in 2019
- We have also eliminated our membership fees starting in 2020 to encourage member participation and expand our membership base



Young Pipeliners International (YPI) exists as the umbrella organization to Young Pipeline Professional organizations worldwide.

- Young Pipeliners Canada – YPAC
- Young Pipeliners USA – YPPUSA
- Young Pipeliners Australia – YPF
- Young Pipeliners Brazil – YPPBrazil
- Young Pipeliners Europe – YPPE
- Young Pipeliners Mexico – YPPMexico (New for 2020)



Educational Events

- Monthly webinars
- Site visits
- B.R.I.D.G.E Workshops
- Symposium

2019 Events

- February 2019 – The First Annual YPP PPIM Awards
- March 2019 – 2nd YPP Symposium (Houston, TX)
- May 2019 – The Present and Future of Pipeline Integrity – Webinar
- June 2019 – Pipeline Maintenance Scheduling and Impact Modeling – Webinar
- July 2019 – Transforming Construction Quality - Webinar
- August 2019 – What Everyone Needs to Know about Dents – Webinar
- September 2019 – What makes a good Pressure Test? – Webinar
- October 2019 – How to Assess Pipelines Susceptible to Geohazards – Webinar
- November 2019 – Hot Tapping – Webinar
- November 2019 – Stress Engineering Services Waller Facility – Site Visit
- December 2019 – Seam Weld Cracks and Failure Susceptibility- BRIDGE Workshop
- December 2019 – Pipeline SMS – Webinar

Continuous Improvement

New chapters we are starting in 2020 in addition to Houston, TX

Tulsa, OK

Atlanta, GA

Dublin/Columbus. OH

Addition of named Corporate Liaison roles to promote YPP to YPP members and potential members of their respective organizations

YPP and INGAA Foundation

Tyler Tunic is a member of the Public Policy and Communications Committee

Colton Sheets is now a member of the Lessons Learned Repository Safety Sub-Committee

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