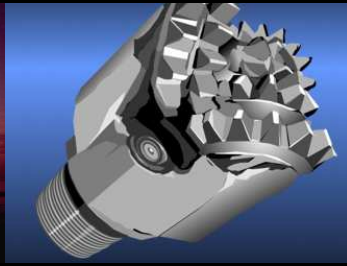


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Dear Fellow Members -

February brought the first Super Bowl to our area, Valentine's Day, President's Day, and, much to my chagrin, cancellation of our February meeting due to very unusual inclement Texas weather, as well as postponement of the Region IV Director's President's and Region IV Rep's Training Session. The Training Session has been re-scheduled for February 26. Report will be forthcoming. In anticipation of a windy March, it may be time to stock up on super-hold hair spray.

Important Dates:

March 1 -- Deadline to mail Registrations to Region IV Meeting at The Woodlands Resort and Convention Center, The Woodlands, TX

March 3 -- Membership Meeting - DoubleTree Hotel. Barbara Chapman will be taking more roster pictures. Let's have a pic to identify each member.

March 8 -- Deadline for Region IV meeting hotel reservations at The Woodlands Resort.

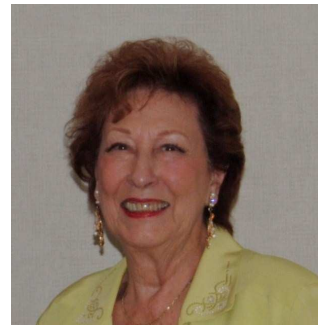
March 13 -- Daylight Saving Time Begins - set clocks ahead one (1) hour.

March 17 -- St. Patrick's Day - Luck of the Irish - Go Green.

March 20 -- Spring begins.

March 23 -- Region III Meeting. For information, call Dimple.

March 30 -- Board Meeting - EXCO Resources.



Together We
Can Achieve
Results

Dimple Zeiger

The month of March is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month

- Pat Blanford, Membership Chairman, and Jo Gilmore, plan a Desk and Derrick information table at the Annual Texas Energy Council Symposium March 1.
- The committee plans a letter/brochure mail out to companies in the area. Great committee Awareness effort.
- The successful membership contest last year will be continued.
- New member/mentor program to be initiated in our Club this year.

Individually and/or combined, these are great tools to promote Desk and Derrick Awareness. Congratulations to the committee - keep up the good work gals.

Have you sent in your registration for the Region IV Meeting April 6-9? March 1 is the deadline and March 8 is the deadline for making reservations at the hotel. The annual regional meetings and ADDC conventions offer great networking opportunities, field trips, seminars and socials. They are educational and fun. Let's support our region with a good representation from the Dallas Club. Please advise Chairman, Sharon Figueroa and myself if you plan to attend.

At this year's Region IV Meeting, a reception is planned for the First Timers/Mentors, Thursday evening at 5:30 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. More information will be forthcoming from Chairman, Dora Willett of the North Harris/Montgomery Counties Club.

The Golf Tournament Committee is diligently working on plans to make the 2011 Oil Patch Classic bigger and better. It is our Club's 60th Anniversary and the Tournament's 19th. Call the chairmen and volunteer to help if at all possible to be off Thursday, April 28th. Proceeds fund our yearly operating costs and a percentage is allocated to awarding scholarships to qualified recipients.

It also is not too early to be dropping your loose change in the piggy bank and making plans for time off mid-September to attend the ADDC Convention in St. Louis.



AN IRISH FRIENDSHIP WISH

Hope the Leprechaun dances his jig for you!

May there always be work for your hands to do;

May your purse always hold a coin or two;

May the sun always shine on your window pane;

May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;

May the hand of a friend always be near you;

May God fill your heart with gladness to cheer you;

Dimple Zeiger

2011 President

The economy depends about as much on economists as the weather does on weather forecasters.

~Jean-Paul Kauffmann

OUR MARCH SPEAKER



Marcia Reeves Simpson

Vice President of Engineering, EXCO Resources, Inc.

Marcia joined EXCO Resources in March 2008. Ms. Simpson received her B.S. degree in Natural Gas and Petroleum Engineering from Pennsylvania State University in June of 1978. She is a registered professional engineer in Louisiana and she has served in various leadership roles with the Gas Research Institute, the Society of Petroleum Engineers and the Society of Women Engineers over her 30 year career.

Marcia's topic will be "Reserves and Resources, what is the difference?"

Our culture runs on coffee and gasoline, the first often tasting like the second.
~Edward Abbey

2010 SUBMITTED ENTRIES FOR AWARDS

BULLETIN CATEGORY

Best Bulletin (Large Issue): October 2010 Diamond Bits. Editor- Mary T. Vaughan.

Best Industry Article: We Are Not Alone – Professional Energy Industry Organizations. Author- Carolyn Szczepanski.

Best President's Letter: President's Letter- October 2010. Author- Donna Taylor.

Best Desk and Derrick Article: From the Editor – September 2010. Author- Mary T. Vaughan.

PROGRAM CATEGORY

Best Industry Program: General Motors: Technology is There!!! Speaker- Brian Maki. D&D Coordinator/Author- Dimple Zeiger and Beverly Murrey.

Best Desk and Derrick Program: 2010 Installation of Officers and Directors. Speakers- Denise Adams, Mary T. Vaughan and Susan Wrobbel. (12/5/2009)

Best Industry Field Trip: Haynesville Rig Tour. Speaker- Keith Arnold. D&D Coordinator/Author- Sharon Figueroa.

Meeting Information

In 2011 our meetings will be held at:

**Doubletree Hotel Dallas Campbell Centre
8250 N. Central Expressway
Dallas, TX 75206-1888**



It is located in the gold towers on the east side of Central Expressway (US 75), north of Caruth Haven.

The cost of the meal will be \$22.00

Please check the hotel schedule for the day (near the front entrance) for the room location of our meeting.

**** Please also note that the code for parking in the hotel's garage has changed to 1234#.**

March Birthdays!!

March 7	Angela Campbell
March 22	Rita Harden
March 29	Esther Singley
March 31	Janet Feinberg



Happy St.Patrick's Day !

DATES TO REMEMBER!

March 3	Membership Meeting (Barbara will be taking roster pictures)
March 17	St. Patrick's Day!
August 25	60 th Anniversary Party
September 21-25	D&D Convention – St. Louis, Missouri
October 27-30	4-Day Dallas Club Field Trip – Big Bend Geology Tour

Region IV Director Elect Nominee



Judy Lile

Desk & Derrick Club of Houston

Penn Virginia Oil & Gas, L.P.

ASSOCIATION: Contest Committee Member; Credentials Representative; and Credentials Chairman-2006; Convention Treasurer and Seminar Committee Chairman – 2010.

REGIONAL: Region IV Seminar & Field Trip Committee – Chairman 2007, member 2006-2010.

CLUB:

Bellaire Club: Vice President- 1991; President – 1992; chaired and was a member of numerous club committees.

Houston Club: Vice President – 2004; President – 2005; Treasurer – 2007, 2009, 2010.

Received Houston Club’s Gladys Watford Award; Served on/or chaired Education, Membership, Nominating, and Program Committees.

HAS SERVED AS CONVENTION DELEGATE: YES

HAS SERVED AS CONVENTION ALTERNATE: YES

HAS ATTENDED 11 CONVENTIONS

HAS ATTENDED 12 REGIONAL MEETINGS

BUSINESS EXPERIENCE: Sr. Division Order Analyst, Division Order Supervisor, Manager Owner Relations, Land Contracts Consultant; Coastal Oil & Gas Corporation, El Paso Production Company and Penn Virginia Oil & Gas, L.P.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: PLM Degree Program, seminars and continuing education classes through various organizations, HCC and the University of Houston together with 36 years of industry experience have assisted in providing me with land related knowledge.

PERSONAL DATA: Enjoys reading and traveling to visit son/daughter-in-law and granddaughter.

DOES THE NOMINEE PLAN TO ATTEND THE 2012 ADDC CONVENTION: YES

Where Are They Now!?

Article Submitted by Jo Gilmore



Louise C. Anderson of Dallas, TX.

Retired in 1984- Now at home and enjoying it.

Member of Dallas Desk and Derrick Club from 1965-1985.

The following is quoted from information furnished by Lou regarding her life.

“First thing, I have gained 85 pounds since I was born. At birth, I weighed 5 pounds and I was a twin. **Lots of years have been lost, but I have enjoyed all of them!**”

Andy and I have been married 45 years and I hope for 30 more. It has been a barrel of fun and we have loved all of the trips we have been on and it has been great. We spent a week in St. Paul, Minnesota (Andy’s city) attending the antique car show where there were 1940 and older cars. I did not know they could look so good and be in such good condition and drivable, neat cars – 50’s and 60’s as well.

We have enjoyed Desk and Derrick and I wonder if it is not too late to re-join the club again. Please let me know how much I must pay to re-join and I will send a check.

It was very good hearing from you. **We love you and think of you often.”**

Love,

Lou and Andy

MEMO TO MEMBERS

If you know the whereabouts of a former member who could be contacted for inclusion in “Where Are They Now”, you are requested to please contact Jo Gilmore or Pat Blanford.

Golf Tournament Meeting



Kereata

Ann



Jennifer

Cecelia

Denise



Jennifer Cecelia Denise Judy



Judy



Carla

Dimple



Beverly



**Judy Bev Kereata Ann
Susan Carla Dimple**

President's Newsletter



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March 2011

Dear Members,

It's March, Desk and Derrick Awareness Month. I know you and your Clubs are very busy generating awareness of the many opportunities that our Association has to offer to potential members in your area. I'm looking forward to hearing about your successes.

The ADDC Board met in Tulsa, Oklahoma for the annual Budget and Planning Meeting, January 14-15, 2011. The Board worked diligently, reviewing committee reports, discussing a variety of items, and approving a balanced budget. The Budget & Planning Meeting Highlights and the 2011 Approved Budget have been issued to all club presidents and are available to all members on the ADDC website.

I would like to share with you a few items discussed at the meeting. I was informed that during the website update some items were lost during migration. If you come across something on the website that is incorrect or needs updating please contact ADO. Another issue receiving a lot of discussion was Social Networking (Facebook, Twitter, etc.). Presently the Association does not support the use of social networking, but did approve the appointment of a special committee to further investigate these types of media and its uses.

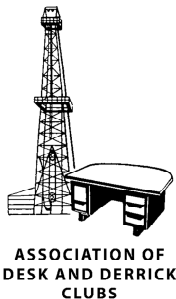
It is important for clubs to submit Membership dues, applications, and transmittal forms to the ADO in a timely manner. The membership deadline is November 30th of each year. Any dues received after this date will be returned to the clubs.

The 2011 Convention General Arrangements Committee submitted a proposed budget for the upcoming convention. Hotel room, food and beverage minimums and other related costs continue to rise, while attendance dwindles. In order to meet contract requirements, the convention registration would have been unaffordable. If you have ever been involved with planning a Region Meeting or Convention, you understand a budget cannot be set dependent on donations. After further consideration, the Board felt the ADDC Convention Fund's retained earnings were sufficient enough to subsidize any loss that may occur, provided donations are not adequate to cover all costs. The Board approved a \$250 registration fee. The members of Region II are busy putting the final touches to the 60th Annual Convention in St. Louis, Missouri. The registration packet should be available soon.

Region Meetings kick off this month, beginning with Region III – Westbank Club, March 24-26 in New Orleans. Regions IV, V, and VI are scheduled for the month of April; followed by Regions I, II, and VII in May. Take advantage of your opportunity to grow, get your registration form in early.

GO...

Angie



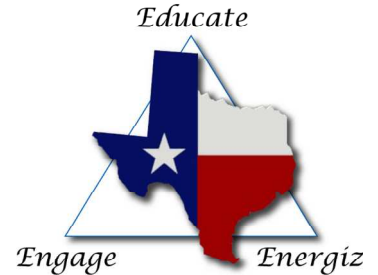
Region IV Director's Newsletter

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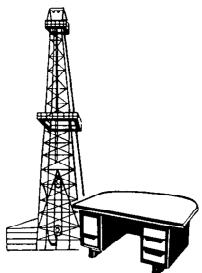
Can you believe it, here we are in March and spring is just around the corner. Seems like we just took down the Christmas decorations and now we are thinking about Easter Eggs.



March is Desk and Derrick Orientation Month and I know that every club is planning a special program for this month. Please remember to invite your bosses to this important meeting to let them hear why it benefits them to support you in your continuing education of this vibrant industry. Take this opportunity to invite everyone you know or come in contact with that is a part of the Petroleum Industry to attend your March meeting. What better way to Educate, Engage and Energize your club. Be proactive and make your March meeting your showcase for Desk and Derrick. Many of the clubs have some very innovative programs for this Month and when we come together at the Presidents training meeting we will exchange ideas that all clubs can use and benefit from.

What an unbelievable time of learning I experienced at Budget and Planning Meeting in Tulsa, OK. We have a fantastic group of ladies that are leading our Association and they are all committed to this Association and **YOU** the members. We poured over the budgets for the Association as well as the budget for the 2011 Convention. Region II is hosting this year's convention and it looks like it will be bigger and better than ever as we celebrate 60 years of our Association. As I sat in that room with all of these talented ladies, I came away with such a renewed commitment to this Region and to this Association. I will be covering this meeting with the Presidents and Committee Reps at our training meeting on 2/26/11. Here are just some of the highlights from Budget and Planning:

- A special committee has been appointed to research the possibility of using Social Networking Media. There will be a report from this committee to the board about their findings.
- If you have something to discuss with Andre at ADO please email it to me and then it will be forwarded to Andre.
- Remember that all clubs must submit a TAXE 1 form to Misty Hendricks by May 16, 2011.



ASSOCIATION OF
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You should have all received your registration packets for the 2011 Region IV meeting in The Woodlands. The NH/MC club has worked very hard to put this meeting together and they have done a fantastic job. Please fill out our registration form and get them sent back in. We want to see each one of you there.

If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome.....Connie Harrison

2011 Executive Board

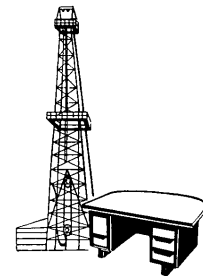
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CLUB PURPOSE AND MOTTO

The purpose of the club shall be to promote the education and professional development of individuals employed in or affiliated with the petroleum,

Greater Knowledge, Greater Service



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