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2017 Regional Meetings

Region I Meeting
May 18 – 21, 2017
Hotel TBA
Registration Information TBA

Region II Meeting
March 30 – April 1, 2017
Holiday Inn, Terre Haute, IN
Region II Registration Packet

Region III Meeting
April 26 – 30, 2017
Holiday Inn Express, El Dorado, AR
Registration Information TBA

Region IV Meeting
May 3 – 6, 2017
Holiday Inn Downtown Marina, Corpus Christi, TX
Registration Information TBA

Region V Meeting
April 20 – 22, 2017
Courtyard Marriott, San Angelo, TX
Region V Registration Packet

Region VI Meeting
April 27 – 30, 2017
Hotel TBA
Registration Information TBA
Geology Certification Flyer

Region VII Meeting
June 1 – 3, 2017
Pomeroy Hotel & Conference Centre, Grand Prairie, AB
Region VII Registration Packet

Brochures & Marketing Email

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2017 ADDC REGION VI CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

The Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs of Region VI are proud to offer the 2017 certification program covering the subject of geology. This year’s program will be presented by Dr. Norman Hyne, professor of Petroleum Geology at University of Tulsa. Class will be held from 9am – 4pm. Lunch Provided.
Post Oak Lodge, Oak Room.
February 2017

Dear friends and fellow members,

February brings with it thoughts of Valentines and the Groundhog. To me it’s a reminder that I must love what I do, because like in Groundhog Day, I do it over and over. But that’s the life of an accountant, and, yes, I do enjoy it. Sometimes though, the monotony can get to you, and you just need to change things up.

This year at Budget and Planning, we changed things up a bit. We went through all the committee reports and the Board reports as usual, but we didn’t stop there. We took the time to decide what direction we wanted to head with the Association. That involved coming up with tasks for everyone in ADDC. When I say everyone, I mean everyone. We outlined tasks for each of the committees, for the Board, for the regions, and for the clubs. We are in the process of sending these tasks out to everyone, so keep a lookout for updates soon. I know I might be slightly biased, but I believe this may have been the most productive planning meeting I’ve attended.

One of the changes that has happened over the course of the last two years is to include our ADO Manager and Webmaster at these planning meetings. Mark Loch (ADO Manager) and Wayne Ammons (Webmaster) play a vital role in the day-to-day operations of our organization. They are the face of ADDC, so including them in the budget and planning process only aids them in providing us, the members, with better service. Like the Parliamentarian and Executive Assistant, they do not have voting rights, but along with the Parliamentarian and EA, they were given a voice. This truly enhanced our meeting. This year’s Board is a diverse group, and it was immediately apparent at Budget & Planning that each member intended in the utmost to advance the Association’s best interests. We should all be proud of our Regional Directors and officers. I know I am.

I teased everyone by mentioning the new blog and video welcome, and I promise you will see them soon. I apologize for the delay, but unforeseen circumstances (mainly a server crash at my daytime job) kept me from completing these tasks as timely as I had hoped.

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming Regional meetings. I will be attending almost all of them. I regret being unable to be with my Region VI friends in person, but the silver lining is that I will get to see everyone at the Region III meeting scheduled for the same weekend. I still haven’t figured out, unfortunately, how to be in two places at once. But Region VI will be in great hands — Christina Forth, Tammy Watkins, and your own Wendy Sparks will be there to share the weekend. If I can work out the details, I will try to Skype in for part of the meeting.

Until next month,

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We have begun the year 2017; what are our goals for our environment?

First let me ask: Environmental stewardship - what does it mean? Wikipedia says, “Environmental stewardship refers to responsible use and protection of the natural environment through conservation and sustainable practices.”

Further from Wikipedia: “There are three types of environmental stewards: Doers, Donors, and Practitioners. Doers go out and help the cause by taking action. For example, the doers in an oil spill would be the volunteers who physically help clean up the oil from beaches. Donors are the people who help the cause financially. Practitioners are the people who work to steer governmental agencies, scientists, stakeholder groups and others toward stewardship outcome. Together these three groups make up environmental stewards and with their help, keep the ecosystem running in a healthy manner. Anybody can be an environmental steward by being aware and knowledgeable of the world around them, making sure they do as little as possible to negatively impact our world. Without these groups it would be hard to get any sort of sustainability in our increasingly technology, pollution, and industrial based world.”

I like the above definition for many reasons. One of which is because it recognizes that realistically we are a technological world and we will have pollution. Many times we think of environmental stewardship in the terms of living like Tom Hanks in the movie “Castaway”. He lived on an island wasting nothing, with only Wilson to keep him company. In reality we do not need to live on an island by ourselves or with only Wilson to keep us company. We can still be environmentally responsible and have some of life's luxuries such as clean water, housing, vehicles and technology.

Taking appropriate care of our natural resources is the sum of environmental stewardship. The earth has provided oil and gas for our benefit and welfare. Left in the earth and not used would be to waste this valuable resource. To not excavate and use the oil in the earth would eventually harm the soil, as nothing grows in oil. We need to do something positive with the oil and gas and we have. We use oil and gas and their products to heat our homes, run our vehicles, produce electricity and much, much more. However, this also creates a negative effect in that greenhouse gases are produced. Therefore, we need to deal with these side effects.

The first type of pollution I would like to address is carbon dioxide and other gasses from our atmosphere. What are some things we can do to reduce this situation?

Plant trees and other vegetation that use the carbon dioxide and give back oxygen. Think about how much oxygen would be produced if seven billion people each plant one tree. Then think about how much carbon dioxide would be used by these trees and therefore reduce the carbons in our atmosphere. Please, if you can, plant a tree and if you cannot plant a tree, grow a legal houseplant. Go out and improve the world, one plant at a time.

Plants alone will not use up all the emissions of our carbon footprint; we need to do more. Or is it less, in that we need to reduce the emissions we produce to improve our planet. We can reduce the use of our vehicles. Some ways we can do this include:

- Carpooling
- Walking or bicycling
- Choosing public transportation
- Using energy more efficiently
- Live on a deserted island without a single luxury

Some options are more desirable than others. It is not necessary or realistic to do all of these things, nor do you have to. What we need are more small steps to reducing waste. If we combine trips, we will eliminate
some of the impact. If we choose to bike or walk we will not only reduce the negative pollutant, but also improve our own health. Let’s face it, living on a deserted island isn’t any fun. Make the choices that are right for you. When seven billion people each take one small step, that’s a lot of steps, and will go a long way in reducing the pollution element.

Environmental stewardship goes beyond gas and oil and the energy industry. It includes our daily waste as well, like paper, plastics, glass, metals and more. Many people and companies recycle these items. At my office we have recycle bins beside our trash bins. This makes it easy and convenient to choose to recycle. We simply sort our bottles, cans and paper for the blue (recycle) bin and throw our trash in the tan bin. What about compost? That bin may be a little farther away or in the coffee bar. I don’t know about you, but I think most high school and college grads can find a compost bin and choose to put their banana peels in it.

When I am at home, recycling isn’t as easy. I have one trash hauler and pretty much regardless of what I put in the bin, he picks it up right from the curb. However, if I choose to recycle no matter how many bins I sit on the curb, he just takes the one. So what can I do? Where can I take my recyclables?

1. In Findlay we have a few options (Google, “Findlay Ohio Recycling”)
   Litter Landing, 1720 Sandusky St
   Plastic, cans, cardboard, books, catalogs, paper, glass jars, newspaper, and electronics
   They also have blue recycle bins around town.
   Shorty’s Variety Recycling, 130 Crystal Ave
   They buy all types of metal (aluminum cans are currently worth 40¢ a pound)
   Flag City Brokers and Recycling, 7654 Co Rd 223, Liberty Twp
   They buy metal, appliances (no freon), car bodies

2. Donate good used items to the following organizations
   ReStore (Habitat for Humanity)
   Construction items, furniture, snow blowers, appliances, cabinets, other
   Salvation Army
   Clothing, furniture, household items, toys
   Good Will
   Clothing, furniture, toys, household and seasonal items
   Chopin Hall
   Clothes, household and handicapped items, food
   Children’s Museum of Findlay
   Toys

Another way to be a good Environmental Steward and save a few bucks can be to buy previously owned items. Now, you may not want all your items to be previously owned. I, for example, do not care for ABC gum (Already Been Chewed)...LOL! However, what is the harm in a used snow blower that is in proper working order? I find that estate sales have a lot of great items that the previous owner no longer needs. Perhaps auctions, estate sales, and thrift stores have items for you and yours.

Now that you are aware and knowledgeable, please take action and be an Environmental Steward “Doer”!

GO GREEN!

Be Green 2017
Happy February Region I members,

January was an exciting month for ADDC. The budget and planning meeting sparked great conversation, goal setting and visions for the future. Great things are in the works for 2017. There is much work going on behind the scenes of the website (addc.org) so visit often. This is a great way to keep up to date with events around the association, get ideas for meetings, etc.

Two committees are in need of a Region I representative:
- Rules Committee
- Leadership Resource Committee

Please, let me know which committee you would like to serve on.

Exciting things are happening in 2017:
- The industry is beginning to rebound
- Your first club meeting was held to get the year off to a great start
- Hope you all have great plans to celebrate Desk and Derrick month in March

Also, remember to mark your calendar for the Region I meeting this year in Niagara Falls, NY. The new falls lighting and fireworks display is unforgettable. Jennifer Smith, GAC and her committee are working hard to make all the arrangements for field trips, great dining, and hotel accommodations. The registration packet will be out soon so stay tuned.

Let me hear from you in 2017, I am here for you.

2017 Dates to Remember

**March:** Desk and Derrick month – Celebrate, Communicate, and Educate  
**May 18 – 20:** Region I members and guests converge on Niagara Falls, NY for the Region I meeting.  
**September 18 – 23:** 66th Annual International Convention in San Antonio, TX

The year is off to a great start let us keep the momentum going throughout the year!

Sincerely,

Bev
February 2017
Constant Motion Constant Change

- **Budget and Planning:**
  I am full of inspiration after the ADDC Board Budget and Planning meeting a few days ago. I heard that it was going to be two full days of hard work but actually found it to be so productive that I had fun! The officers of ADDC have an extensive agenda this year. With this meeting, the seven regional directors were given the opportunity to learn exactly what must be done each year so each one of our clubs can continue and prosper. As each region director has their meeting, the ideas and plans that are now outlined will be shared with our members. To all those who have served on the board in the past this is nothing new. However, to many of us it is a revelation. We had 1700 ADDC members in 2016 during the biggest oil and gas downturn we have ever seen and I know that every one of us is hoping that 2017 will see that number increase.

- **ADDC Region II Representatives:**
  Region II is catching up with those regions who filled all their committee rep slots earlier as we are now over 50% complete. We have eight left to fill and I would be happy to discuss any of the committee responsibilities with our members. I was notified at the B&P meeting that any of the committees that do not have representation would become the director’s responsibility! Be sure to go to the [www.addc.org](http://www.addc.org) to look at the responsibilities listed there also.

- **Region II Meeting:**
  Terre Haute here we come! Our March 30-April 1 meeting is the first of the regions this year. Be sure to send registrations in by March 1 for early registration (must be received by March 15) to Lynda Middle Calf, Treasurer, 403 N. Fair Street, Olney, IL 62450. Holiday Inn 812-232-6081 to reserve your room by March 8 to receive special rate and use code ADDC when making reservation. Kathy Bickel is our Nominating Chair for next year’s Region II Director. I know she has reached out to our clubs for nominations already but be sure to let Kathy know of any, as 60 days’ notice is required before our March 30 meeting! That only gives us a few days to comply.

- **March Desk and Derrick Awareness Month & other Reminders:**
  A reminder that March is the time to promote our local clubs and invite guests/potential members to our monthly meetings. Membership renewals are due February 28 to our Club Treasurers. Program Chairs deadline is 10 days after your monthly meeting and sent to the Region II Program Rep Jan Bell at [jbell@aenergy.net](mailto:jbell@aenergy.net) The ADDC Rules Committee deadline for proposed bylaw changes/amendments is March 1. Please be sure to take the time to go to our ADDC website because there is so much information that we can all use. Webmaster Wayne Ammons is doing a great job of updating any information that he receives on both our Region websites and the ADDC.

Jan
Dear Region III Members:

Wow! What a tremendous learning experience. The budget and planning meeting was very educational. Everyone worked very hard all day to handle the Association’s business, find innovative solutions to existing and future issues, and to come up with goals that will ensure the future success of our Association. It was an amazing experience to watch everyone work together and everything flow together so beautifully. Kudos to Maggi, our 2017 ADDC President, for such a fantastic and productive meeting! Thank you to all of those on the board for such a wonderful and positive experience!

The 2017 Nominating Committee is working hard to fill the position of Region Director for 2018. We have so many talented and qualified members in our Region! I want to encourage you to step up and volunteer to serve in this capacity. If you are interested in submitting your name, please send your information to Kathy Denley, Alice Gros, or Angelia Duplessis. Thank you, ladies for agreeing to serve on this committee.

All membership lists and dues are due by February 28th. The deadline for all submissions to the DDJ is March 1st and speaking of March, it is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month. Some ideas for the month of March may be to have a membership drive or have a creative Orientation Program and invite co-workers, or maybe have a meet and greet at a local coffee shop where ADDC brochures, along with Club pamphlets can be distributed. Another tool you can use is distributing copies of the Insight, not just to your members, but also to anyone you think might be a potential member.

The El Dorado Club is working very hard on putting together an educational Region meeting. The seminars and field trips are going to be fantastic, so be sure to make plans to attend. Packets will be coming real soon. The meeting dates are Thursday, April 27th through Sunday, April 30th at the Holiday Inn Express in El Dorado, AR. The room rate is $114.75 including tax and also includes breakfast.

I want to say thank you to all of those who have signed up for a Region rep position and there is only one position left that needs to be filled. The Publication committee still needs a rep for our Region, so please help me get this last position filled. I would also like to thank Ada Weeks for agreeing to be our 2017 Region Parliamentarian, to Carol Schiavone for agreeing to be our Region Treasurer for 2017, Kathy Martin and Karen Thomassee for agreeing to put together a scrapbook for me. Any pictures or items you think I would enjoy having, please send them to these two ladies.

Have a Very Happy Valentine’s Day and a Safe and Fun Mardi Gras!

Claudia K. Prather

Region III Motto: Open Hands: Receive by Giving
February 2017

The ADDC Board of Directors met in Tulsa, Oklahoma for the Annual Budget and Planning Meeting, January 13-14, 2017 and it was my honor to represent Region IV. It was an extremely productive meeting; setting goals and taking care of Association business. The weather in Tulsa was cold, cold and cold – mixed in with ice! Leaving San Antonio it was 80º and arrived in Tulsa to 34º! But have no fear, when I returned home on Sunday I was greeted with a 75º degree temperature!

On Saturday, February 11th at the Hilton Garden Inns here in San Antonio – the 2017 Region IV Presidents, Vice Presidents, Region IV Committee Representatives and ADDC Chairman will gather for a one day meeting. This is a time to share ideas and goals for our Region for this year. If you have any concerns or an idea of something that you want your President to share at the meeting, please let her know.

It appears there has been confusion about the date for the Regional Meeting. The Region IV Meeting will be in Corpus Christi, Texas May 3-6, 2017 at the Holiday Inn Downtown Marina. The registration information will be coming soon! Just for clarification - originally another date had been chosen, however because of lack of available rooms, we had to change the date to May.

The first of the 3-R’s: **Rejuvenate - to make fresh or new again; revitalize.** How can we rejuvenate our membership and/or have more participation by members? In this busy world we live in, sometime it is hard to get newer members to commit to help; or maybe they don’t have an understanding of how a committee works, so they don’t come forward. Does your club use Mentors for a new member? If not, start and utilize the wealth of knowledge that is available within your club, our long-standing members. Remember that retirement doesn’t mean that they don’t want to help, maybe take a less active role in the day-to-day activities of the club. Asking these members can certainly be the Pot of Gold in your club. Everyone tries not to bother others, so we feel like it is easier to just take on the task alone. Let’s all strive to get all of the members involved and rejuvenate! Remember the old saying “There is no “I” in Team”,

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“Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy.”

*Norman Vincent Peale*
February, 2017

February is heart month. Guard your heart for out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks. Grab your sweetheart and give them a squeeze and eat healthy for your heart.

I hope your year has started out on your best foot. I attended the Budget and Planning Meeting January 13th and 14th in Tulsa. It is a two day, report on everything and talk about everything, event. It was a good time to get to know the other RD’s and get up close and personal with the board members. Information on topics will come from your Presidents as they are made aware of items discussed.

It is time to consider making plans to attend the Region V Meeting in San Angelo. Although I don’t have the packets ready as I write this letter, please look for them soon. The date is April 20-22, 2017. This is such a wonderful educational time, why not bring a member from your club who has never been to a Region Meeting?

You also might want to consider running for Region V Director for 2018. The experience will open up a whole new world. The opportunities to be more involved in the history of making Desk and Derrick policies will increase your understanding of the Association. Time stands still for no one, so start doing before the Parade passes by. You will not regret it.

Region V still needs a couple of Region Reps. The Education Committee Chairman, Kathy Tawney, would love to work with someone who would like to become proactive and take a leap of faith. The Tax Exempt US Committee Chairman, Judith Saf, also needs a person who is ready to step up and participate. Thank you to those who have stepped up!

Start now with your preparation for March which is Desk and Derrick awareness month. Make sure your program showcases the energy industry and invite co-workers to come see what they have been missing.

Save the date – September 20-23, 2017 – San Antonio – CONVENTION. Make plans now!

Don’t forget ADDC dues should be sent in as we speak.

Let’s move forward and move together into the next Journey for Desk and Derrick Clubs in 2017.

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Elaine McDowell
Pampa

Cindy Garrison
Roswell

Candice Brewer
San Angelo

Nicholle Harney
Wichita Falls
Region VI Members,

I just returned from the 2017 Budget & Planning meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma last weekend. What an amazing experience! I learned so much about our organization and how it operates at the highest level! We thoroughly examined every aspect of our operations and pinned down everything for the coming year. I plan to address some of the items discussed during the Open Forum at the Region meeting in April.

Membership renewals are due by the end of business FEbruAry 28th. Please make sure all of your members have received them as soon as possible. If you have not received these from ADO, let me know and we will get these to your President or Membership Chair. The Association dues are $45 and the Region dues are $4 per member.

This past Saturday I spent several hours touring Post Oak Lodge, the site of our 62nd Annual Region VI meeting. I want to give a HUGE shout out to Jonathan Slay and members of the Tulsa Club for their hard work on this meeting. They have all stepped up after the resignation of the General Arrangements Chair. I must say I am so excited about this venue! It is different than any place we have visited in the past. The Friday night event will be at the Pole Barn with music, games and even “human foosball”. Our Saturday meeting should be very informative. The speaker at the luncheon will be Michael Evans from Rimrock Resource Operating, LLC. At the awards banquet that evening, Christina Forth, ADDC 2017 President-Elect will speak about the future and changes for our organization. Last but not least the presentation of the AIMee Awards! This is a fun evening of fellowship and a way to congratulate each other on a job well done.

Rules committee deadline for proposed bylaw changes/amendments to be submitted to the delegates at the 2017 ADDC Convention is WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017.

Regards,

Wendy Sparks
Region VII Members

What a great Budget & Planning meeting in Tulsa, OK! Members of the ADDC Board came together, reviewed all the reports from the committees and Board and hopefully came away with a new understanding of how our organization runs. Although some decisions were difficult, we had to take a hard look at our finances and make some needed adjustments that will come back to the membership for vote at the ADDC Convention in September. President Maggi’s goal was to ensure that each committee have a task or plan for the year and I believe we accomplished that. You will be hearing details of what is happening over the next few months so watch your website for committee reports and items of interest.

I am pleased to say that the Region VII clubs voted unanimously to have Deborah Porath continue as the Region VII Fund Chairman for 2017. Thank you, Deb, for volunteering. In addition, I would like to thank those members who have stepped forward to represent Region VII on the ADDC Committees. They include:

- Club Bylaws Review – Lucy Mulgrew
- Membership – Deborah Porath
- Program – Mary Alice Rooney
- Rules – Donna Hayduk
- Tax Exempt CDN – Brian Carter
- Contest – Linda Topolinsky
- GAME – Christina Forth
- Registrar – Donna O’Neill
- Scrapbook – Lynne Grose
- Technology – Christina Forth

There are seven (7) committees that still need a representative. These include: Education, Public Relations, Certification, DDJ, Leadership Resources, Long Range Planning, and Publications. If you would like to volunteer for one of these, please let me know.

I am excited to announce that Region VII will soon have its own website. Wayne Ammons has been given the go ahead to create it and I should have something for you to look at very soon. This will allow the clubs in Region VII to post their monthly programs, speakers, field trips and seminars as well as social events so that members can plan to attend functions if they might be in the area. It can also give ideas for other clubs to copy and keeps us in touch with what is happening in our region.

The metric version of the Energy Activity Book (EAB) is available at a reduced cost of $1.00 from Donna Hayduk of the Edmonton Club. Now is the time for clubs and members to stock up and use the EAB for give-aways to help school kids and adults alike learn about our industry. If your club sponsors a
For the first time at our Region Meeting in Grande Prairie, we will sponsor one of the units of the Certification Program. This program is based on the Fundamentals of Petroleum and covers a total of six (6) units. We will be sponsoring the Accounting unit at the Region Meeting and the Drilling Unit will be sponsored at Convention. After all six units are completed, you will receive a Petroleum Technician Certificate of Completion. If you have any questions, please contact me or check out the Certification Program power point presentation which can be found on the ADDC website. After signing in to the membership page, go to the 30th mailing on the left-hand side, and under the December 2016 committee letters is the power point presentation.

As most of you know, March is “Desk and Derrick Awareness” month. What is your club doing to promote Desk and Derrick in your area and how are you attracting new members? Please share your ideas with other clubs and maybe together we can make a difference.

I know I have just started my term as Region Director, but it is not too early to be looking for my replacement. There are many qualified members in our Region and the Nominating committee will soon be contacting you to step up. The passion for Region VII was obvious at the last regional meeting, but we need a leader to guide us. Please consider doing so. The job is very rewarding, and we need you.

Until next month....

Marilyn

Marilyn Carter
2017 Region VII Director
I joined the Buckeye Desk & Derrick Club earlier this year during the annual membership drive, and it has already been a very rewarding experience! To give some background on my story, I was a victim of the great recession, as the experts are now calling it. When the economy crashed in 2008 – 2009, I lost my job due to “cutbacks”, so I suddenly found myself as a middle-aged female with two kids in college and no job! Fortunately, I was able to eventually get hired at Marathon Petroleum Company in the legal department. While I had many years of work experience in law before coming to Marathon, I knew absolutely nothing about the oil and gas industry, or about Marathon for that matter.

The Buckeye Desk & Derrick Club is unique and different from most other Desk & Derrick Clubs in that all of our members are employed by Marathon. The Club-sponsored Lunch and Learn and field trips provide a great opportunity to learn more about what we do here at Marathon, as well as other aspects of the industry, so those have been very helpful. In 2016, the theme of the Lunch and Learn program was “The Past, Present and Future of Marathon.” Vice Presidents from different components of the company gave very informative and educational presentations not only to D&D members but to anyone in the company who wanted to attend. These educational opportunities were very valuable to me, not just as a member but as an employee as well. I have learned so much about this great company that I work for and the huge part that we play in the big scheme of things in the energy industry. We also took a field trip to an ethanol processing plant where we were given a tour of the facility and learned all about how ethanol is produced, from the delivery of local farmers’ corn to the end product of ethanol being sold to customers such as Marathon for blending with gasoline. This, too, was very interesting and educational!

So, I was already very impressed with the impact that the Desk & Derrick Club was having on me, personally and professionally, and then in September, I got to experience the National Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs Educational Conference in Denver, Colorado, and it was amazing! As part of the conference, several industry-related field trips and seminars are offered. One field trip I went on was to a gas processing plant in the Denver-Julesburg Basin. It was very educational, as they gave us a “Midstream 101” presentation on the cryogenic natural gas process. I also went on the Georgetown Loop Railroad to the Lebanon Silver Mine. The train ride was beautiful and we went inside a mine tunnel that was bored in the 1870’s and learned about the history of silver mining in the Colorado Mountains.

On Friday, as part of the Business Session, an Energy Symposium was held, which consisted of a panel of four people heavily involved in the oil and gas industry in Colorado – an employee of the Department of Energy, an employee of the Colorado
Oil & Gas Association, a County Commissioner from a county that has 90% of all active oil wells in the State, and a TV personality who hosts a show called the Energy Roundtable. While the laws and Supreme Court cases they were referring to didn’t apply directly to us because they were referencing Colorado cases, it was very interesting to hear how these agencies are working together to protect the oil and gas industry, and even more importantly, how they are working to educate the public as well as the lawmakers about the importance of our industry.

There is a great sense of camaraderie among the people who attend the convention because we all have a similar interest. There were people from all over the United States and Canada, from all different types of energy-related businesses, so it was very interesting to meet people and learn what part they play in the energy industry. In talking to a lot of these people, it made me feel very fortunate that we are in the downstream business rather than the upstream business because of the struggles they are currently facing. While it was a very educational experience, we also managed to have a ton of fun! We toured the MarkWest headquarters and got to meet several of our Denver colleagues. Exploring downtown Denver was awesome, as we were able to eat at some great restaurants, do some shopping, and just generally enjoyed the whole 16th Street Mall area. But, I think the best part of the convention was the fact that I made several new friends from other clubs. I was definitely welcomed into the group and left there feeling more like a family member than a member of an organization!

Buckeye Desk & Derrick recently hosted an Industry Appreciation Luncheon and it was a huge success! We had several supervisors in attendance with their employees who are members. Our President gave a great presentation on the Association of Desk & Derrick Clubs, as well as highlighted what our own Club has accomplished this year. I was asked to give a short presentation on my experience at the convention, and I also touched on the impact that this Club has made on me. While I was not sponsored by Marathon as a Delegate or Alternate Delegate for the convention and I had to pay for the trip myself, it was definitely a very worthwhile experience and I would do it all over again. I know other members feel the same way because they choose to go to these events even when they are not funded by the company, which says a lot about the quality of these events. I think it is important for our supervisors and management to know how educational and beneficial this organization is, not only for personal growth but for gaining knowledge and experience that helps us in our jobs as well.

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Happy Valentine’s Day to all ADDC members, Club Presidents and Board of Directors;

As I look at the calendar I cannot believe that the first month of 2017 has already passed, it seems like just yesterday we were bringing in the New Year.

2017 is off to a great start, our nation has a new leader and there is new leadership within the ADDC at both the club level and the Board level. Your 2017 Board is working hard for all of you to grow the ADDC and secure that it will continue to be the leading educational and networking organization within the energy industry for many years to come.

The 2017 Budget and planning meeting was held in Tulsa, Oklahoma on January 13th and 14th, be on the lookout for the budget and planning meeting highlights to be available on the ADDC website soon. Your Board of Directors discussed a great many ideas to move the organization forward and to keep the ADDC strong and viable for many years to come.

Region meetings, for 2017, are coming together and the registration packets for these meetings will be posted on the ADDC website as soon as they are available. Make your hotel, travel and meeting registrations early so you do not miss out on the wonderful opportunities each and every Region meeting will have to offer.

ADO appreciates the diligence shown by all club Presidents and members alike in responding to the requests of the ADO office for information etc. Just a reminder ADO is here for you to help in any way possible with all of your ADDC needs and to answer any ADDC questions you may have. Working together we will keep ADDC great.

I look forward to attending at least 2 region meetings in 2017 and hope that all of you will try to attend your region meeting and more if possible. I can assure you that Region Directors and GACs in every region are working hard to make the 2017 Region meetings the best ever. You will not want to miss them.

I hope everyone is planning on spending this Valentine’s Day with someone special in your life whether that be a spouse, a significant other or special family members or all of these together. It is my hope that during this Valentine’s Day season we will all be able to share love and bring hope to our world.

Until next month, always be the best you can be and let your actions demonstrate your positive words to those around you.

Sincerely;

Mark Loch
ADO Manager
ADDC
We have successfully assembled a full roster for the 2017 Technology Committee. Thank you for continuing your service or for stepping up! The 2017 Technology Committee is:

- **Maggi Franks**  Board Contact
- **Wayne Ammons**  2017 Technology Committee Chair
  - Webmaster
  - LinkedIn Support
- **Angelina Perry**  Region I Representative
- **Ryan Masterson**  Region II Representative
- **Sarah Hulin**  Region III Representative
  - Facebook Support
- **Sheryl Minear**  Region IV Representative
- **Jan Starnes**  Region V Representative
- **Anna Lewis-McBeth**  Region VI Representative
- **Christina Forth**  Region VII Representative
- **Mark Loch**  ADO Manager

I have been busy updating the Board page (https://www.addc.org/about/board); the Directories page (https://www.addc.org/members/addc-directories); the Regions and Clubs pages (i.e., https://www.addc.org/about/regions-and-clubs/region3); and the Region I, Region II, and Region VI websites (i.e., http://addc-region1.org/about.htm) to reflect the recent changes in leadership. More updates to the Directories page (https://www.addc.org/members/addc-directories) are on the horizon. Please continue to check this page for updated information.

We have another regional website soon coming out of our group—the recently approved Region 7 website (http://addc-region7.org)! Stay tuned for news about the rollout of this new website.

In December, I created a new Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs YouTube channel (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0OmMglzHFS3xU7RI29LIA) and a new Videos page (https://www.addc.org/videos) and navigation for the Association website. Please continue to check these areas for newly added informational and educational videos.

As always, should you require information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

[Signature]

Wayne Ammons  
2017 Technology Committee Chair
DESK AND DERRICK THROUGH THE EYES OF A NEW MEMBER

BY: PENNEY GERDEMAN

I joined the Buckeye Desk and Derrick Club earlier this year during the annual membership drive, and it has already been a very rewarding experience! To give some background on my story, I was a victim of the great recession, as the experts are now calling it. When the economy crashed in 2008 – 2009, I lost my job due to “cutbacks”, so I suddenly found myself as a middle-aged female with two kids in college and no job! Fortunately, I was able to eventually get hired at Marathon Petroleum Company in the legal department. While I had many years of work experience in law before coming to Marathon, I knew absolutely nothing about the oil and gas industry, or about Marathon for that matter.

The Buckeye Desk and Derrick Club is unique and different from most other Desk and Derrick Clubs in that all of our members are employed by Marathon. The Club-sponsored Lunch and Learns and field trips provide a great opportunity to learn more about what we do here at Marathon, as well as other aspects of the industry, so those have been very helpful. In 2016, the theme of the Lunch and Learn program was “The Past, Present and Future of Marathon.” Vice Presidents from different components of the company gave very informative and educational presentations not only to Desk and Derrick members but to anyone in the company who wanted to attend. These educational opportunities were very valuable to me, not just as a member but as an employee as well. I have learned so much about this great company that I work for and the huge part that we play in the big scheme of things in the energy industry.

We also took a field trip to an ethanol processing plant where we were given a tour of the facility and learned all about how ethanol is produced, from the delivery of local farmers’ corn to the end product of ethanol being sold to customers such as Marathon for blending with gasoline. This, too, was very interesting and educational!

So, I was already very impressed with the impact that the Desk and Derrick Club was having on me, personally and professionally, and then in September, I got to experience the National Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs Educational Conference in Denver, Colorado, and it was amazing! As part of the conference, several industry-related field trips and seminars are offered. One field trip I went on was to a gas processing plant in the Denver-Julesburg Basin. It was very educational, as they gave us a “Midstream 101” presentation on the cryogenic natural gas process. I also went on the Georgetown Loop Railroad to the Lebanon Silver Mine. The train ride was beautiful and we went inside a mine tunnel that was bored in the 1870’s and learned about the history of silver mining in the Colorado Mountains.
On Friday, as part of the Business Session, an Energy Symposium was held, which consisted of a panel of four people heavily involved in the oil and gas industry in Colorado – an employee of the Department of Energy, an employee of the Colorado Oil and Gas Association, a County Commissioner from a county that has 90% of all active oil wells in the State, and a TV personality who hosts a show called the Energy Roundtable. While the laws and Supreme Court cases they were referring to didn’t apply directly to us because they were referencing Colorado cases, it was very interesting to hear how these agencies are working together to protect the oil and gas industry, and even more importantly, how they are working to educate the public as well as the lawmakers about the importance of our industry.

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**MOTTO**
Greater Knowledge—Greater Service

**PURPOSE**
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**MISSION STATEMENT**
Our mission is to enhance and foster a positive image to the global community by promoting the contribution of the petroleum, energy, and allied industries through education by using all resources available.

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