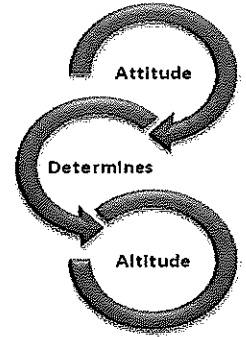
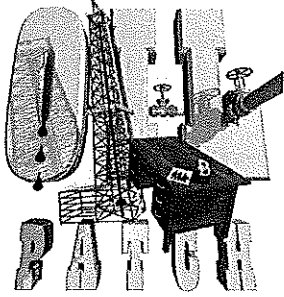


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Westbank Club President's Message

Dear Members:

I hope that you have enjoyed your summer! Although we don't have meetings in July, our club held its Christmas in July on the 21st at Buca di Beppo Restaurant. Twenty-nine members and guests attended and we enjoyed an afternoon of good food and camaraderie.

I was doing some research online and found out that August hosts a great number of holidays – National Watermelon Day (3rd); Friendship Day, Sister' Day and International Forgiveness Day (all celebrated on the first Sunday); National S'mores Day and Lazy Day (10th); V-J Day (surrender of Japanese to end WWII – the 14 and/or 15); Senior Citizens Day (21st); Kiss and Make-Up Day (25th); Women's Equality Day (26th); Just Because Day (27th); Frankenstein Day and National Trail Mix Day (30th). WOW – who knew so much was celebrated during August. I simply thought, children returned to school following their vacation.

Our scholarship fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, **August 10th** at MI Swaco. Tickets are available now - \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door. Call Gaylen Guillory for tickets and to donate food items or prices. Also, Dottie Ancona is handling the Macy's Shop for A Cause Ticket Sales for Westbank Club. The sale will be on Saturday, **August 24th**. But, we also need volunteers to help on the 17th. Please call Dottie for more information.

Please note: convention is quickly approaching. Should you have any issues or questions you wish discussed at the meeting or open forum, let me know ASAP. I will be happy to send your concerns to our Regional Director, Dorothy Dishman, so that she can include in her ADDC Board Report. Also, we will discuss the proposed amendments to our bylaws and the candidates running for office at our August general meeting. So, please come prepared to do so.

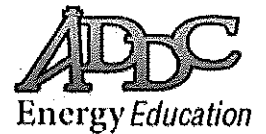
Our August meeting will be on the **28th** at Boomtown Casino, 2nd Floor. Dr. Tonja Koob Marking and Jennifer Snape, authors of the book, **Louisiana's Oil Heritage**, will be our speakers. Please consider inviting a guest to hear the history of oil in Louisiana.

Till next month:

Positive Thinking is knowing that, in the grand scheme of things, we live in a world where rainy days eventually give way to sunnier skies. **R.L. Keith**

Theresa

Region III Director's Newsletter



Dorothy Dishman
Region III Director

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August 2013

Dear Region III members,

Summer is in full swing and the weather has been HOT! Hope you are enjoying it and staying cool.

The ADDC Convention is approaching fast. If you have not already done so be sure to send in your registration soon! I will be attending the preconvention board meeting and also the board field trip. I am looking forward to all of it. I am especially looking forward to representing Region III at the convention. Presidents please send in your Credentials (CRED1), with a copy to the Regional Representative, Keith Atkins of the El Dorado Club, Association Chairman Brian Carter of the Alberta Foothills Club and a copy to me.

The ADDC Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following candidates for 2014 ADDC Officers:

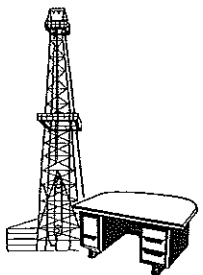
President Elect	Lori Landry, Lafayette Club, Region III
Vice President	Connie Harrison, San Antonio Club, Region IV
Secretary	Barbara Pappas, Wichita Falls Club, Region V Anna Lewis-McBeth, Oklahoma City Club, Region VI
Treasurer	Maggi Franks, West Virginia Club, Region I

The Slate of Candidates will be officially presented and voted on at the 2013 Convention in Charleston, WV in September.

Linda Rodgers, who will be serving as the 2014 ADDC President, still needs volunteers to fill committee positions. Please also volunteer to help out our 2014 Region III Director-elect, Sharon Blackwell of the Laurel Club by chairing a committee.

Kindest regards,

Dorothy



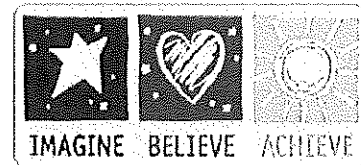
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Region III Director's Newsletter



Dorothy Dishman
Region III Director

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July 2013

Dear Region III members,

I hope each of you enjoyed a safe July 4th holiday! The year is half over already and our hot summer is upon us!

Just a reminder that the 2013 ADDC 62nd Annual Convention will be held on September 25th through 29th at the Marriott Town Center in Charleston, West Virginia. The packet, including registration, is on the ADDC website. Everyone needs to get registered as soon as possible. It will be an awesome Convention! Please also remember to fill in your credential form (CRED 1) for the delegate and alternate and submit to the Credentials Chairman, Brian Carter in Region VII. Even if your club will not be represented you must fill in the CRED 1 and send to Brian. Please also send a copy to me.

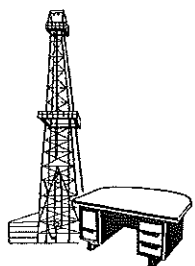
Don't forget those photos for the Winning Image Photo Contest (WIPC). June 30, 2013 is the deadline to take pictures that are eligible to be entered. Check the website for the rules regarding the size and categories.

Several of you asked me about Ms. Evelyn Wallace, while we were attending the Region III Meeting. I spoke to her in June and she has been having some health problems. I know she would love to hear from anyone who would like to send her a note. Her mailing address is 13385 Halso Mill Road, Greenville, AL 36037.

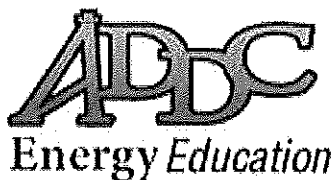
Please remember to volunteer to serve on a committee for 2014; whether it is on a regional level and or a national level. You are needed!!!

Kindest regards,

Dorothy



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ADDC President Newsletter – August 2013

I hope your summer is going well and you have had an opportunity to enjoy some well-deserved R&R. There are a number of areas that have been hit very hard this year by extreme weather (tornados, fires, floods, etc.) and it seems we all know someone who has been directly affected. My thoughts and prayers continue to go out to all those affected. Please stay safe.

As convention quickly approaches, just a few reminders for delegates, presidents, and membership:

- The ADDC Bylaw amendments have been posted on the website and will be voted on at Convention. Please review these with your membership and come prepared to discuss and vote.
- At last year's convention, bylaw amendments, to change the committee structure, withdrawn and referred to the Long Range Planning Committee for review and recommendation. The LRP committee recommendations are now in and posted on the website under the Regional Meeting History and Committee Reports section and also on the Monthly posting site. Please review with your membership and come prepared to discuss the recommendations.
- A slate of candidates has been presented and the nominee qualifications have been posted to the website. Please review with your membership and come prepared to vote for your 2014 ADDC officers. Just a reminder that nominations are still open and there may be nominations made from the floor.
- The Rules of Convention, Convention Procedures and Parliamentary Hints will be posted on the website shortly. Please review and bring these to Convention with you.
- Credential forms are due August 1. If you have not already done so, please get them emailed or sent in.

Has your club responded to the Education Committee's "2013 Challenge"? Have your researched and/or purchased a video to send in? I wonder which Region will be the first to boast that they did their part and met the "Challenge". Thank you to all the clubs who have already responded. You made a choice to contribute, to make a change in our video library and you are making a difference to your Association. The videos/DVDs are very important to our clubs and help them to continue their education, when obtaining a speaker is not possible.

Life is a journey, not a destination....

Marilyn



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ADDC President Newsletter – July 2013

Congratulations to the 2014 Region Directors Elect.

- Region I – April Lang, Penn-York Oil & Gas Affiliates
- Region II – Stacy Tate, Heartland
- Region III – Sharon Blackwell – Laurel
- Region IV – Becky Perez – Victoria
- Region V – Philana Thompson – Farmington
- Region VI – Abby Johnson, Butler County
- Region VII – Christina Forth-Matthews, Edmonton

You have accepted the challenge to lead the members of your respective regions and represent them on the ADDC Board of Directors in 2014. However, your learning experience starts now as you will be included with the current Board on all the Association business. We all look forward to working with you this year and next year.

Convention is just around the corner (less than 3 months away) and the West Virginia and Region I clubs are working very hard to finalize the arrangements. I truly hope many of you will be able to take advantage of the opportunities they are presenting.

Remember, the registration fee will be \$225 after July 15th, so why not take advantage of the lower rate before then and get it in by the earlier deadline. The extra money could pay for one of seminars or lunch or the Taste of Appalachia.

Earlier in the year, I promised to share with you the discussions from the Region Meetings. The open forum discussions in most regions centered on the new trade stamp. Some really liked it, and some didn't. The good news is that members now have a choice to use it as a marketing tool. The other topic of discussion in some regions was the website security issues. I am pleased to say that the security issue has been resolved. In hindsight, I have learned that communication is the key, and I apologize for not keeping members better informed of the issues along the way.

The Board members truly appreciate your feedback and concerns and we will bring them up for discussion at the Pre-Convention Board meeting.

I hope you have had a chance to look at the recommendations of the Long Range Planning Committee, regarding the ADDC committee structure. These can be found on the website by going to the 'Regional Meeting History and Committee Reports' section, or ask your Club President for a copy. The LRP committee was given the task last year at convention, to review and make recommendations on streamlining the ADDC committee structure. Below is a summary of what they propose:

Combine

- Credentials & Tally
- Publications & EAB
- Public Relations & Trade Show
- Certification
- WIPC & Contest
- Education & Program
- LRP & Leadership Resource

Change

- Registrar Committee
- EAB reports to Publications Committee
- Trade Show reports to PR Committee
- Would fall under the Convention GAC
- Contest Committee
- Education Committee
- Future Leadership Development Committee

Please review the committee report online for information on how and why they came to these recommendations and provide some feedback to the committee and/or the Association Board.

I know many clubs take the summer off and so I wish each of you a great summer. Happy Canada Day on July 1st to our Canadian members and Happy Independence Day on July 4th to our American members. Also, enjoy your vacation if that is in your plans and travel safe.

Life is a journey, not a destination....

Marilyn

LORI L. LANDRY
2014 ADDC PRESIDENT-ELECT NOMINEE
CANDIDATE'S GOALS



I have gained tremendous knowledge of the Association serving as 2012 ADDC Treasurer and 2013 ADDC Vice President. With your help, we have taken great strides to gain new ideas to improve upon our Association and I would like to continue to help make our Association the best it can be. There is still a lot of work to be done in order to increase membership, rebranding our Association to be recognized and re-energized and to educate our members about our industries as well as the general public about the Association.

I hope that with your continued support and enthusiasm we can accomplish these goals and move forward into a brighter future!

FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT - 2014



CONNIE J. HARRISON has been a member of the San Antonio Club in Region IV for 8 years and is employed by Valero Energy Corporation as the company's Aviation Coordinator. She earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Business from the University of New Mexico and attended the American Express Travel School in Phoenix, Arizona. Her business skills have been enhanced by attending numerous continuing education courses offered by Valero. She is enrolled in the certification classes that are sponsored by the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs. Connie currently serves as Association Treasurer, and was the 2012 Association Secretary, 2011 Region IV Director and served on various Association committees. She is also involved as a board member and chairwoman on various organizations within her community.

Connie's Candidate Goals:

"What an honor and privilege it is to serve this Association in 2013 as Treasurer. I am proud to represent each and every member of this Association and wish to continue serving by being your Vice President. My goal is to preserve the legacy that our predecessors worked so diligently to leave for us. One benefit of my membership in Desk and Derrick is the knowledge I have gained and I want to impart that to members and potential members. I will work steadily and continuously to represent our organization with the upmost dignity and respect and to increase our membership. If given the opportunity to serve it will be in a professional manner and promote education that will carry us into the future while never forgetting our past."



If I were elected to ADDC Secretary, I would have several goals. First and foremost maintain accurate minutes of all meetings. Maintain accurate counts of the board votes. I would also continue to spread the word about Desk and Derrick. I would go visit companies where ever needed and explain to them about ADDC. I would continue to support all those that came before me. I would also work on getting the current membership to be active. I would encourage them to become club presidents, then region directors and to continue to climb all the way to the top

Anna Lewis-McBeth



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DESK AND DERRICK CLUB OF WICHITA FALLS
REGION V

2014 ADDC SECRETARY

Please state candidate's goals in 100 words or less:

As secretary, my goals for 2014 will be to assist the President with recording accurate minutes of meetings, keep accurate records of elections, and advise the ADDC board, as deemed necessary by the President. My personal goals as 2014 secretary will be to bring forth ideas which will incorporate the new direction our organization will be heading in with the goals set out concerning strategic planning. I will initiate and sustain the board with the enthusiasm and momentum needed to reach the milestones set forth by the board for our organization to succeed in educating its members and the public.



Maggi Franks

The ADDC was founded with a focus on education — educating not only ourselves, but also our communities. In commitment to that vision, I have not confined my goals to accurately maintaining our financial records, although I shall coordinate with the ADO Manager to ensure that is accomplished. My goals extend beyond the duties of the office, to keep our educational commitment moving forward. I will fulfill my partnership with the Board by striving to discover new avenues for membership recruitment, working to retain the members we have, and making ADDC more inviting and accommodating to all energy industries and affiliates.

Save the Date

2013 ADDC Convention – Charleston, WV
Charleston Town Center Marriott
September 24-28, 2013

2014 Region III Meeting - Baton Rouge, LA
Marriott Baton Rouge
April 3-5, 2014

2014 ADDC Convention – Lafayette, LA
Hilton Lafayette
September 24-28, 2014

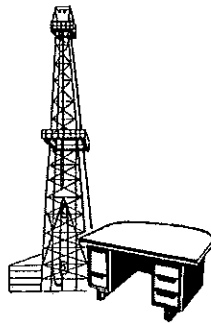
Happy Birthday

Month of July

1st Minerva Hawkins
2nd JoAnn Brown
4th Susan Miller
26th Charles Miller

Month of August

2nd Cheryl LeBoeuf
11th Gaylen Guillory



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CLUB PURPOSE

The purpose of this club shall be to promote the education and professional development of individuals employed in or affiliated with the petroleum, energy, and allied industries and to educate the general public about these industries.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Club 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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