

September 2017



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



September 2017

It is almost Convention time and I am looking forward to the field trips, seminars, business sessions, member recognition, and of course making memories with our Desk and Derrick friends. We will be praying and thinking of our Houston area members as they will be re-building their lives after Hurricane Harvey.

Our Bunco Fund Raiser was a good success; it was fun and a lot of hard work. But the rewards benefiting our Scholarship Fund make the work worthwhile.

The Nominating Committee is now accepting resumes for the 2018 Officers and Board of Directors. Please consider running for a 2018 position; Desk and Derrick needs you to keep our flame going for the years ahead of us.

Our September meeting speaker will be our own Jo Ann Brown, Orientation Chairperson; please try to attend the meeting. Jo Ann will be doing a fun program highlighting all levels of ADDC. (And, the candy that she makes and brings is delicious.) Why not invite a guest to this meeting so they can learn all about the educational benefits of Desk and Derrick? We are striving to get new members and to motivate our seasoned ones. Maybe we can entice a new member or maybe you're ready to serve on the Board or work on one of the many committees that make the club operate so well.

Susan

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2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



President: Susan Miller

Vice President: Angie Duplessis

Secretary: Gabriella Hunter

Treasurer: Jo Ann Brown

Immediate Past President: Gaylen Guillory

Director: Theresa Adams

Director: Bonnie Wall

Parliamentarian: Alice Gros

2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Aimee: Dottie Ancona

Bulletin: Judi Adams

Bylaws: Gabriella Hunter

Election: TBA

Field Trip: Gabriella Hunter

Finance: Dottie Ancona

General Arrangements: Elaine Lesnak

Membership/Orientation: Jo Ann Brown

Nominating: Judy Guillot

Program/IAN: Angie Duplessis/Theresa Adams

Scholarship: Gaylen Guillory

Social: Alice Gros

Community Relations: Angie Duplessis

**August Meeting
50/50 Winner
Vera Ledet**



2017 MEETING SCHEDULE

Board Meetings

January 18
 February 15
 March 15
 April 12
 May 17
 June—No Meeting
 July 19
 August 16

September 13

October 18
 November 8

Membership Meetings

January 25
 February 22
 March 22
 April 19
 May 24
 June – No Meeting
 July 26
 August 23

September 27

October 25
 November 15

September Birthdays:

Theresa Adams 15th
Judy Guillot 15th

**September 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Birth-stone	Sapphire	Flower	Aster		1	2
3	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Board	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Convention	21 Convention	22 Convention	23 Convention
24	25	26	27 Member	28	29	30

Speakers and Volunteer Assignments for Program Committee

Month	June	July	August	Septem-	October	November	December	January
Date		07/26/17	08/23/17	09/27/17	10/26/17	11/16/17	12/14/17	01/24/18
Speaker	No Meeting	Chris Leopold, House of Representa- tives District 105	Charles Miller	Jo Ann Brown	Kathy Denley	Wayne Rau	2018 Region III Director Elect	Billy Nungesser, Lt. Governor
Topic		Scholarship/ IAN	Using the OCS BBS Financial Assur- ance Mod- ule	Orienta- tion	Valero - Then and Now	Gretna Historical Society	Installation	What's Happening in Louisiana
Invoca- tion		Theresa Adams		Angie Duplessis	Theresa Adams	Susan Miller		
Intro- duction		Theresa Adams		Angie Duplessis	Theresa Adams	Susan Miller		
Decora- tions		Cheryl & Cora	Debbie & Linda	Angie Duplessis	Judi Adams	Judy & Sylvia	Alice Gros	

Facts about September

- September was the seventh month of the original Roman calendar. This is where it got its name which means seventh. Later, when January and February were added to the calendar it became the ninth month.
- It is the first month of the Autumn or Fall season.
- Constitution Week takes place during the month of September.
- September in the Northern Hemisphere is similar to March in the Southern Hemisphere. American college and professional football begins during the month of September.
- The Anglo-Saxons also called this month Gerst Monath meaning barley month. This is because they would harvest their barley crops during this month.
- September is often associated with fire because it was the month of the Roman god Vulcan. Vulcan was the Roman god of fire and the forge.

Per the club's Bylaws:

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS, TERM OF OFFICE AND VACANCIES

Section 1 - **TERM.**

Section 1(a):

The Officers of the Club shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Immediate Past President whose term of office shall be for a period of one (1) year, beginning January 1st. No member shall hold more than one office concurrently.

Section 1(c):

The Board of Directors shall consist of the Officers, the Immediate Past President, and a minimum of one (1) and maximum of two (2) Directors elected for a one-year term.

The 2017 Nominating Committee is chaired by Judy Guillot, with members Sylvia Hohmann and Hilda Wood.

The deadline to submit résumés for the 2018 Officers and Board of Directors is September 13.

Résumé form and some responsibilities of Officers and Board of Directors are on the following pages.



Nominations taken for the following:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Director

Keep the D&D Flame Burning!



**WESTBANK DESK AND DERRICK CLUB
RESUME' FOR 2018 OFFICE**

Name: _____

Candidate for: _____

Company: _____

Position: _____

Years as D&D Member: _____

Offices held: _____

Club Experience: _____

Association Experience: _____

Regionals Attended: _____ **Conventions Attended:** _____

Business Experience: _____

Educational Background: _____

Personal Data: _____

Company Support: _____

Deadline: SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

Mail or Email your Resume to: **Judy Guillot**
4005 Hillcrest Drive
Marrero, LA 70072
judy.s.guillot_hvze@statefarm.com

Some of the responsibilities of the officers:

PRESIDENT

1. Coordinate and direct all business of the Club and serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors.
2. Serve as the presiding officer at all meetings of the Board of Directors and the General Membership.
3. Call any special meetings of the Board and/or membership as deemed necessary.
4. Serve as Ex-officio member of all committees.

VICE PRESIDENT

1. Serve as assistant to the President and work closely with the President, performing the duties of the presidency during any absence or disability of the President.
2. Succeed to the office of President should the vacancy occur.
3. Accept such duties as are delegated by the President, including chairmanship of any specified committees.

SECRETARY

1. Record minutes of the club meetings and have said minutes sent to members by email and also have minutes available for the members that do not have a computer at the General Membership meetings.
2. At least one week prior to each Board meeting, notify the Board of Directors of the date, time, and place of the meeting and furnish each Board member with a copy of the minutes of the last Board meeting.

TREASURER

1. Maintain the permanent financial records of the Club and handle all of its funds, keeping an open set of books.
2. Secure proper signature cards as required for all accounts at the beginning of the year, no later than January 15th.
3. Sign all checks jointly with the President and/or Vice President.

DIRECTOR

1. Send the appropriate card in the event of sickness or death.
2. Serve to record minutes in the absence of the Secretary.
3. Serve to other duties as assigned by the President.

For complete lists of officer responsibilities, visit the club's website:

http://westbankdandd.org/Bylaws_and_Rules/DESK%20&%20DERRICK%20WESTBANK%20BYLAWS.doc

THE GREEN RIBBON

By Bonnie R. Wall

Cora Bergeron, an eighteen year member of the Westbank Desk and Derrick Club, was out shopping one day and like any normal "Shopper" she was drawn, just like a moth to a flame, to one of the many fabulous "Tent Sales" that Gordon's of Gretna had. Being an Olympic contender in the field of "Shopping", I and my sister, Jackie, also attended all of Gordon's of Gretna "Tent Sales." Their \$.09 items were a decorator/party planner/crafter/shopaholic's dream playground. At that time I was not a member of the club, just a shopper. Now, I am an eleven year member having rejoined Westbank in 2006, and still a shopper.

As I sit here composing this article, I am wondering, could this have been a "Coincidence and/or a Small World" shopping occurrence? Cora purchasing "The Green Ribbon" and Jackie and I purchasing a couple of cases of 9", \$.09 miniature green hurricane lanterns for party decorating and real life darkness emergencies. Hmm, interesting thought. What does make it a "Coincidence and/or Small World" happening is that to this day Cora still has and is using "The Green Ribbon" and Jackie and I still have a supply of the "Green Hurricane Lanterns." How awesome, interesting and fantastic is that?

Now, back to the current time frame line, and reason for this article. The 2017 Westbank BUNCO committee was on full swing getting ready for its annual function. Cora and hubby, Roland, stopped by my home recently ago to drop off "The Green Ribbon", BUNCO prizes and tickets for members and friends of Westbank who would be attending Roland's Knights of Columbus Immaculata Home, Inc. - Immaculata Hall Marrero's quarterly BUNCO. Another "Coincidence and/or Small World," twenty-two year Desk & Derrick member, Elaine Lesnak recently became a member the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus. In conversation with Cora and Roland during their visit with me, "The Green Ribbon" was discussed. Picture it in your mind, or look again at the picture accompanying this article. It stands 6" tall, 8" wide, and wrapped around a three inch cardboard roll. I questioned and commented, knowing it had been around my eleven years of membership and beautifying our current BUNCO prizes. "How big was it when you bought it? Must have been the size of an automobile tire!" We all laughed. Cora thought for a minute, and said, "It was big." Could not remember what year she bought, just that her two children were little. They are both college graduates now. Corrin is an extremely talented float designer and Kyle is a Nurse in the U.S. Navy.

Another "Coincidence and/or Small World!" Being the inquisitive person I am, or as my family would say, nosey, a light bulb goes off in my pretty little head. Call April. April Williams is another wonderful lifelong friend I have been blessed with through club affiliations. We are members of the Women's Propeller Club Port of New Orleans. Her daughter, Robin, helped open and close the West Bank Gordon's, and to this day is still with them at its Metairie location, about ten blocks for another Olympic shopper/decorator/party also planner/crafter/shopaholic Desk and Derrick member, Dottie Ancona. Another "Coincidence and/or Small World!" Robin is also a nickname given to me by another wonderful lifelong friend, Eileen Rose. Our husbands both belonged to the West Bank Rotary Club.

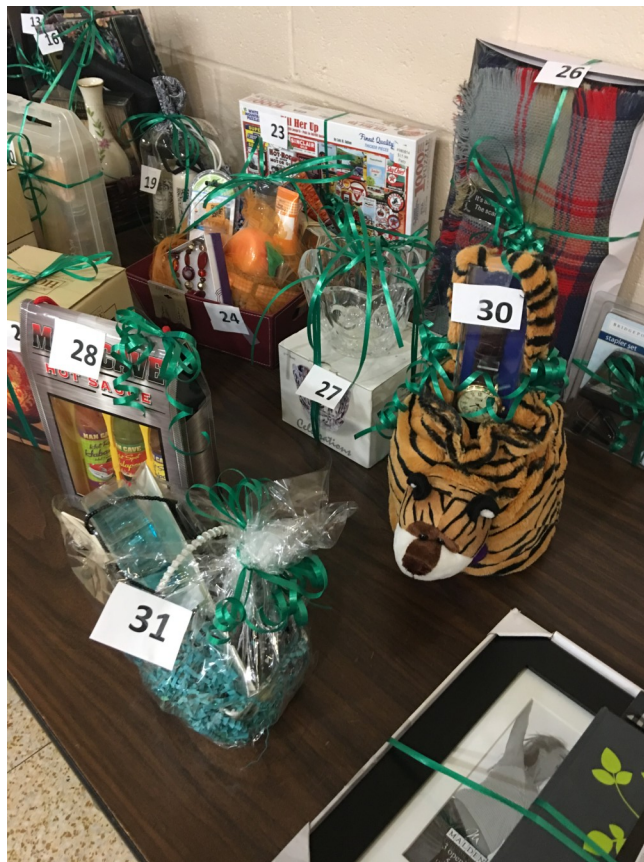
My conversation with April's daughter, Robin, who was pleasantly surprised and fascinated with the two items of many years ago still being around and in use today, requested a copy of this article when finished to show her employer. She told me,

"The Gordon's of Gretna had an abrupt closing in 2005. Katrina blew the roof off the building and they moved to Metairie. "The Green Ribbon" and "The Green Lanterns" would have been on sale twenty to twenty-five years ago in one of their "Tent Sales". They did not do these ever again after Katrina."

Hence, Cora would have purchased "The Green Ribbon" anywhere between two and seven years prior to my joining Westbank. No telling how many gifts she wrapped with it before it became the official ribbon of the Desk and Derrick Parade of Prizes. This information is boggling my mind more than it already has. I first thought "The Green Ribbon" was the size of an automobile tire and was as she said, "BIG", now, I am thinking it was not as "BIG" as an automobile tire, it was "HUGH", like the size of an eighteen-wheeler tire.

Like all stories in books written from the beginning of time to now, fiction and nonfiction, if "The Green Ribbon's" three inch cardboard core could talk and tell us about the thousands and thousands of times it turned, the usual and unusual things it adorned from the very first to the very last, going from hugh to non-existent, WHAT A STORY THAT WOULD BE!

There are Yellow Ribbons, Blue Ribbons, Pink Ribbons, Red Ribbons, Black Ribbons, White Ribbons but only the Westbank has "THE GREEN RIBBON!"





Coupons for Troops

When something's expired you have to get rid of it, right? Not when it comes to coupons.

Did you know?

- **Expired coupons work.**
Save 'em whether they're active or expired! We'll send both. Coupons can be used on overseas military bases for up to six months past their expiration date.
- **Military families benefit.**
Many military families rely on donated coupons to help offset the expense of living overseas.

-- Bagging Instructions --

1. Cut out the coupons (Not expired more than 3 months). Please note that the bases will not accept them unclipped because they don't have the manpower to clip them.
2. Sort them into piles by type:
 - a. Food items (Pet food counts a Food)
 - b. Non-food items
 - c. Baby supplies are 2nd priority, do if you want to be a REAL Sweetie, make a separate pile for those items.
3. Stuff them into plastic baggies and label.

Only "Manufacturer's Coupons" can be used. They can be from the newspaper, dispensers in grocery stores, tear-pads, and elsewhere as long as they state "Manufacturer's Coupon" on them. No assistance vouchers. No food stamps. No store coupons. No restaurant coupons. No Internet coupons.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our military troops and their families!





2017 CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR OUR SOLDIERS

**WESTBANK DESK AND DERRICK'S SPECIAL
COMMUNITY PROJECT**

SEND THOUGHTS AND WISHES FOR HAPPY HOLIDAYS, SAFE AND
QUICK RETURN HOME, GOD'S BLESSING ON THEM, THANKS FOR
PROTECTING OUR FREEDOMS, ETC. ETC. ETC.

OUR GOAL IS 2017 IN 2017

CARDS AVAILABLE AT MEETINGS OR BONNIE WALL HOME

DEADLINE OCTOBER MEETING

OTHERS HELPING WITH OUR PROJECT - THE JVFC, CHILDREN AT BOUDREAUX SCHOOL, GIRL SCOUTS IN
PRAIRIEVILLE, THE BETA CLUB BATON ROUGE CATHOLIC SCHOOL, FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF D & D MEMBERS!

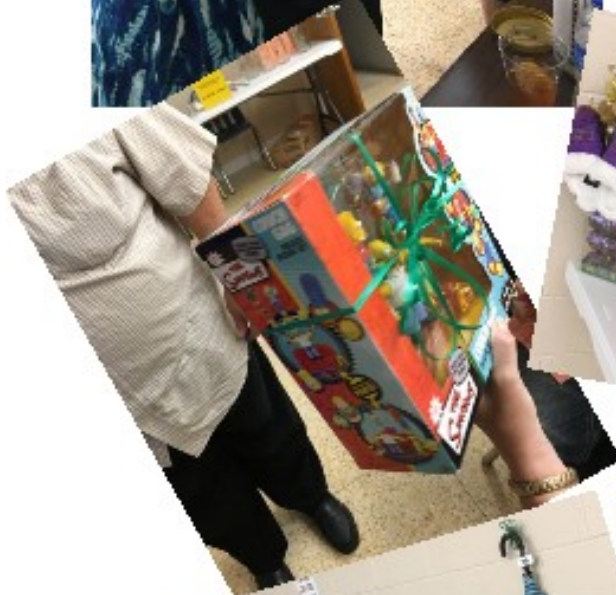
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***Bunco Photos by Zelda Gillan
August 5, 2017***







Region III Director's Newsletter



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Sheryl Cole
Red River

Susan Miller
Westbank



ASSOCIATION OF
DESK AND DERRICK
CLUBS

Dear Region III Members:

Hey gang! I hope everyone is getting as excited as I am because the time for Convention has arrived! It's going to be an amazing, educational, fun filled week with all of the wonderful opportunities that the San Antonio Club has prepared for us. We will have a lot of business to attend to, so President's please thoroughly review with your members all of the amendments that will be presented for you to vote on, as well as, our 2018 Slate of Officers. I will list the slate of officers at the end of this letter, however, the amendments can be found on the ADDC website. Please stress to your members how hard the board has worked and continues to diligently work hard at finding solutions to the many issues our organization faces. Also, be sure that each member knows that I am Their representative this year to the board. Any ideas or views they would like for me to express to the board; all the member needs to do is just email them to me because I am more than happy to present their thoughts/ideas at the board meeting. I want to encourage each member to voice their opinions because you, the member, is what makes our organization strong! Without your voice, we cannot all thrive and benefit from the wonderful and growing experiences that we have gained from Desk and Derrick.

It is with my sincerest gratitude that I want to thank each member of Region III for allowing me this distinct honor to serve you and to represent you as your Region Director at the 2017 Convention in San Antonio, Texas the week of September 17th. This week I know will be one of the greater experiences of my life. Thank you members of Region III!

Our 2018 Slate of Officers for the Association is as follows:

*Terry Ligon, Graham Club—President Elect
Keith Atkins, El Dorado Club—Vice President
Evelyn Green, San Antonio Club—Secretary
Wendy Sparks, Oklahoma City Club—Treasurer*

Have a Safe and Happy Labor Day Weekend!!

2017 Region III Motto: Open Hands: Receive by Giving

Claudia Prather

What's Happening in Region III

Lafayette

September 30, 2017 Educational field trip to Galveston, TX to tour an ENSCO Drilling Rig and the Ocean Star Museum

Agenda: 7:00am Meet @ Stone Energy

7:10am Depart

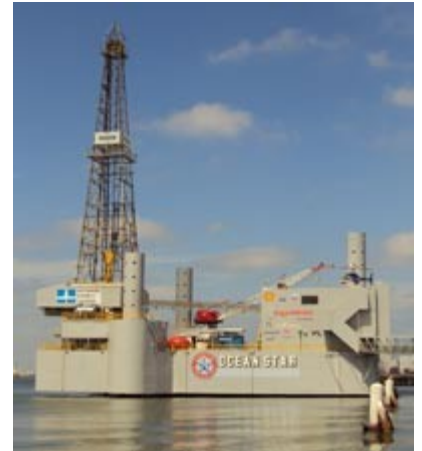
11:15am Arrive in Galveston

11:30am Lunch

1:30pm ENSCO rig tour

3:45pm Ocean Star Museum

5:00pm Depart for Kemah Boardwalk or return to Lafayette



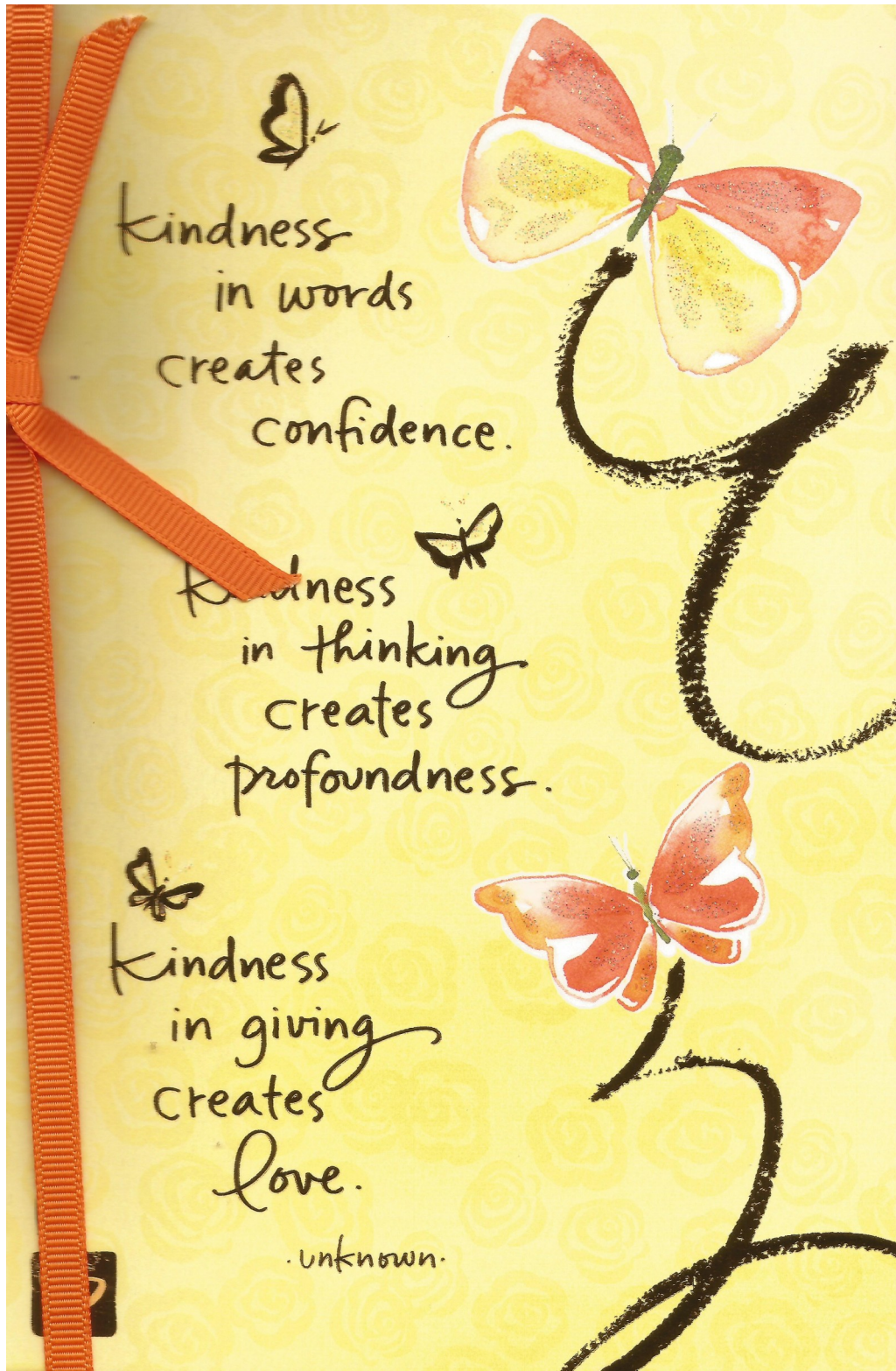
New Orleans


August 18, field trip to Ursuline Convent in the French Quarter, followed by lunch





Red River

October 12, 2017 - Red River Desk & Derrick Golf Tournament, Stonebridge Golf Club, Bossier City, Louisiana




Kindness
in words
creates
confidence.


Kindness
in thinking
creates
profoundness.


Kindness
in giving
creates
love.


unknown

D&D sisters,
I would like to tell
each of you how much
Joy I feel when I
receive a card from my
D&D sisters, ya'll
make my day!

I am getting stronger &
healthy by going to
Rehab 3 times a week
so when they call I
will be ready.

I miss ya'll but
I will be back as
soon as I can
Thanks for all the prayers

Lena



Your kindness
is appreciated
more than words
can say.

Thank you
Love
Lena



Board of Directors

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REGION VII DIRECTOR

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September 2017,

Friends and fellow members,

There's something about September that I love. The kids go back to school, the leaves start to change, and it's time for our annual Convention and Educational Conference. At last count we were up to 220 members registered and 35 first timers! I'm just thrilled, and can't wait to see everyone. If you haven't registered there's still time! San Antonio is the place to be.

In addition to discussing the bylaw amendments, which everyone should have received by now, we have two other major topics we will be discussing. The first is a proposal on restructuring the organization. An ad-hoc committee has researched this thoroughly, and committee chair Jonathan Slay of the Tulsa Club will be presenting their recommendations during the Friday morning business session. The second item is a proposal by the board to eliminate the position of Vice President from the Board of directors. I will be giving a report on behalf of the board for this proposal. While we will not be voting on these two items at convention, we will be voting on whether or not to vote on these items by mail. Even though we may be voting on these proposed amendments this year, they would not go in effect until 2019. Handling these two issues via a mail vote will enable us to put the wheels in motion this coming year, and not wait for the 2018 convention to vote, and prolong the process by another year.

Enough about convention. Is your club getting ready to elect officers for 2018? Are you willing to be nominated? I know many clubs have a hard time finding candidates for their boards of directors. Is it fear of letting someone down? Is it fear of the unknown? Then ask yourself, "Am I satisfied with my club's path? Can I make a change?" I know many people who have commented on their dissatisfaction with current state of their club, be it losing members, a desire for more field trips, or maybe ideas for fundraisers. If you want things to change, then sometimes you have to be the change.

I remember the first time I ran for an office. It was 2005, and I ran for the office of treasurer. I lost. But I ran again in 2006, and won. I have Charlene Tenney, WV Charter President to thank for that. She gave me the little push (kick in the backside) that I needed to believe in myself, and step out of my comfort zone. So I want to say all of you, take that chance, step outside of your box, and become a club officer. If I can do it – anyone can. If you are on the fence, please contact me. I am available, and I will tell you everything D&D has done for me. All you have to do is take that first step.....be the change. You never know where it might lead you. You could be the next ADDC President.

Until next month,

Maggi Franks



Board of Directors

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Greetings, ADDC Board and Members;

WOW!!! 2017 Convention is here!!! In just 3 short weeks we will all be meeting in the exciting city of San Antonio, Texas for the 2017 ADDC International Convention. I hope everyone is prepared for an exciting and educational week at convention 2017. This convention promises to provide a great deal of memorable educational, networking and social opportunities. Everything from a winery field trip to a refinery field trip to a manufacturing plant field trip, as well as seminars covering leadership, cyber security and the workings of an ADDC club are available. For those of you who have been considering attending but have not yet completed your registration form there is still time to do so but you need to submit your form and payment as soon as possible. Remember you may pay by check, credit card or PayPal. This is a convention you do not want to miss.

ADO was present at Summer NAPE in Houston Texas in mid-August. ADDC made contact with over 70 company representatives and all were interested, in some way, in the ADDC and our offerings whether it was through the Energy Activity Book or the networking, social or educational opportunities. I will be following up with all of these contacts to encourage them to join the ADDC and benefit themselves and employers by being a member of the best industry and public organization within the energy industry.

Shortly after this year's exciting convention in San Antonio, ADO will begin sending renewal packets to clubs within the ADDC. These renewal packets will be for membership renewals for 2018 and we hope to have 100% renewal as well as many new members signing up for 2018.

In closing this month I would like to say thank you all for a great year as ADO Manager and I look forward to many more years to come. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at convention and look forward to a spirited discussion regarding the bright future of the ADDC. If you have any questions regarding ADDC, Convention or anything related to membership with ADDC please let me know. ADO is here for you.

Please continue to pray for our friends, colleagues and neighbors who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey in Texas. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all. Please let me know if there is anything the ADDC can do to help.

Until convention and next month keep your feet on the ground and keep reaching for the stars and successes for yourselves and the ADDC.

Sincerely;

Mark Loch
ADO Manager
ADDC

We are getting excited about the 66th Annual ADDC Convention in our beautiful city, next month.

It has been brought to my attention that possibly some members may not realize or remember that during the Convention, your room reservation includes a ***FREE full breakfast each day***.

If you are sharing a room, the additional \$10.00 per day that you pay include the Free Breakfast as well – great deal. This information was in the Registration Packet – but we wanted to be sure that everyone does know about this perk!

Also, if you are driving into San Antonio or have a rental car, the parking fee at the hotel is **only \$15/day** (normally it is \$25/day, but we have been given a great discount during the convention).

Some members have asked about this and we wanted to be sure that everyone is aware of this reduction in price. This is unlimited in and out privileges.

Each room in the hotel has a mini-refrigerator for your use.

Regional Directors – please share this information with your Club Presidents and ask them to please send to each of their club members.

If there are any questions or I can assist you with anything, please **do not hesitate to contact me on my cell (210/863-7437)**.

We look forward to welcoming each of you to San Antonio very soon.

Evelyn Green

Evelyn Green

2017 ADDC Annual Convention GAC

Assistant to Guy Bob Buschman

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2017 ADDC Convention

San Antonio, Texas

Saturday, Sept. 23, 2017



CLUB PHOTOS

To all Club Presidents and Regional Directors:

If you would like to have a Club or Regional Picture taken at Convention, please complete the form below and return to me at your earliest convenience.

We want to be sure that we allow enough time for Club Photos.

If you know how many will be coming from your club, please let us know.

There will be a Photo Schedule in the Registration Packets for each attendee.

Desk and Derrick Club: _____

Number of Members/Guest: _____

Club President Name: _____

Contact Number: _____

Please return this form to: Evelyn Green
E-mail: evelyn@gbcminerals.com

Any questions: Feel free to call me at 210/863-7437 (cell)

THE HARVEY CANAL

Do you ever think about the Harvey Canal? What are your thoughts/feelings? Do you get irritated should you catch the Lapalco or Fourth Street bridges going up to allow water traffic? Do you drive down Peters Road or Destrehan Avenue behind an 18 wheeler and wish it would just get out of your way?? If so, perhaps knowing the history of this man-made canal and its impact on our economy (even today) may change those feelings.

As I did my research for this article, I found many articles written and published in local and national magazines and periodicals devoted to the Harvey Canal. It is amazing how much money flowed through this small area and what an enormous influence the canal has played in the Louisiana state economy!

In 2000, Tim Ryan, now Chancellor for the University of New Orleans, in an economic study for JEDCO, reported that Harvey Canal revenues to the state each year are equivalent to three Super Bowls. Considering that each Super Bowl brings in approximately \$350 million to Louisiana, our canal contributes a little more than \$1 billion each year to the state coffers.

Let's look at how this phenomenon came to be – In 1725 a land grant was given by the King of France to a favored courtier and Louisiana colonist, Jean Baptiste D'Estrehan de Tour. (This land grant is today known as the area of Harvey, Louisiana.) In spite of his silk waistcoats and lacy cuffs, Jean Baptiste was a farsighted man of the soil. Thus, upon his return to Louisiana, he immediately began cultivating indigo, and less than a year later had set his slaves to digging a ditch to drain his vast holding. This ditch connected his holdings to Bayou Barataria. Later, Jean Baptiste turned his indigo fields into sugar cane fields. His son-in-law Etienne de Bore was the first to successfully granulate sugar in Louisiana, paving the way to the fantastic sugar fortunes that helped to build the early splendors of New Orleans.

It is this trench originally dug by Jean Baptiste – this small ditch – that makes the Baptiste family famous for the next two centuries. Jean Baptiste and his descendants were the engineers and producers of what today is the Harvey Canal and the locks - a vital link between New Orleans and the Intracoastal Waterway that stretches from Texas to Florida. Jean Baptiste's son, Jean Noel, enlarged the original drainage ditch to a full sized canal - big enough to handle the bayou traffic of the day. The work was done by German settlers who widened and deepened the full six miles with only wooden shovels – no motorized machinery, no metal tools -- just wooden shovels. Their pay for such an extraordinary feat??? They received small farms sliced from the D'Estrehan estate in what is now Gretna (formerly known as Mechanicsville).

Bayou Barataria with its convenient six mile extension to New Orleans became a favorite approach to the city by not only timber barrens and sugar cane farmers, but also by the infamous pirate, Jean Lafitte and his Baratarians. During the early 1800's the pirates operated in the same maze of bayous and lakes where many of the oil fields were discovered and produced during the 1940's.

After Jean Noel there came in the genealogy a dashing D'Estrehan - the handsome Nicholas Noel Destrehan (as the name evolved throughout the years). Nicholas built a magnificent home along the canal; so expensive that local legend claims it was roofed with golden dollars. Nicholas spent many years abroad hunting for treasures to fill his grand home. But, disaster struck the home with a fire several years after it was completed burning it to the ground. Yet, the canal remained!

In 1845 Nicholas' daughter, Louise married a red-haired sea captain by the name of Joseph Harvey. For her dowry, Louisa (her name also evolved during the years) received the Destrehan Canal and the land through which it flowed. Captain Harvey changed the name of Cosmopolite City (the original town) and the canal name to Harvey following the death of Louisa's father, Nicholas.

Captain Harvey realized the value of the canal for trade and transport. He wanted to create a lock system from the Mississippi River to the canal in order to make the transportation of goods less complicated and thus, less expensive. At this time - prior to 1860 - goods needed to be dragged from the canal via skids pulled by men or animals over the river levee and then placed on barge or boat and floated across the river to New Orleans. Or, if goods were being shipped from New Orleans, the same procedure was used to transport goods to Bayou Barataria and into the Gulf of Mexico for foreign ports.

Thus, during 1880 and 1881, the Harveys spent upwards of \$50,000 to widen the canal and build locks. Captain Harvey died in 1882 prior to this project being completed. Louisa was now a widow and left in debt, and the locks - her husband's dream - were condemned. But, she did not give up; she gathered together the Destrehans and the Harveys and convinced them of the necessity to connect the canal to the river with a locking system. In 1898, Louisa sold the locks to the family corporation, entitled Harvey Canal Land and Improvement Company (the predecessor to the Rathborne Land Company) for \$40,000. Construction began anew and Louisa would climb down into the excavation to inspect the work progress on a daily basis - even when she was 70 years old. Louisa died before the project was completed. The family corporation finished the project; and the locks were dedicated with grand ceremony on March 30, 1907.

In 1924, after seventeen years of successfully operating the locks, the Harvey Canal Land and Improvement Company sold the canal and the locks to the U.S. Government. Also acquired at this time, was Harvey's Castle - a home Captain Harvey had built for Louisa in the mid-1800's. It resembled a castle with towers on two corners, and served as the Harvey home until the late 1870's. The U.S. Government demolished the home to make room for the improvements to the locks - they were widened to 75 feet and deepened to 12 feet.

Less than ten years following the purchase of the locks and canal by the U.S. Government, two events occurred almost simultaneously. These two events were soon to make the town of Harvey, the little Houston of Louisiana. The first was the dredging of the canal locks enlarging them to be a part of the Intracoastal Waterway. An interesting fact to note here: the Intracoastal Waterway was extremely important during WWII as it allowed the transportation of goods and soldiers through an inland route from Florida to Texas. Thus, providing safe journey for our troops and supplies eliminating the threat of enemy ships which were stationed in and patrolled the Gulf of Mexico.

The second event - the discovery of the Lafitte Oil Field.

Very few men were aware of these two major events; and only one man actually did anything about it - in the beginning. This man was C.O. Hooper - a general contractor. Looking at the canal in 1932, Mr. Hooper saw the following: the locks just beginning to be improved; two companies along the canal, the Southern Shell Fish Company and the Harvey Canal Shipyard on one side; several small marine service stations on the other side of the canal - Texas, Pan American and Standard; and the office of Joseph Rathborne Land Company along with a few houses on the Rathborne Estate which comprised the town of Harvey. Along both sides of the canal stood empty land - the land of the Harvey estate and on either side of the Harvey property was more empty land owned by the Rathborne family. Mr. Hooper realized what the land and the waterway and the locks could mean to the town.

If plant sites could be made available to industry along the canal; if those sites could be served by road and rail – why, Harvey would boom. Mr. Hooper went to work – a one man promotional campaign for the future of Harvey, Louisiana. He invested his own money to build a road along the canal for over a mile and paralleled the road with a railroad track. About 1938, just as the oil industry was taking off in Lafitte and the locks were in operation, Mr. J.C. Rathborne came home to Harvey from back east. Mr. Rathborne joined forces with Mr. Hooper and a parade of supply houses, repair plants and other industries allied with the oil field blossomed.

A few years afterward, in 1946 to be exact, the Harvey Canal Industries Club was formed. Harvey was not a municipality; it was a section of the Parish of Jefferson, less than a mile along the Mississippi River, about five miles on both sides of the Harvey Canal, which found itself possessing over fifty manufacturing and service concerns with employees looking for the comforts and improvements of a business center. With no council to fight for its civic improvements, the business concerns of the canal organized the Harvey Canal Industries Club to look after their interests in the parish and see that their wants and needs were presented properly and persistently to the Police Jury (the then governing body for the area). The original officers were: W.A. Burt, President; Cecil Brown, Vice President; L.E. Hooper, Secretary and Charles Perrin, Treasurer. This club became an association - the Harvey Canal Industrial Association - in 1954 when Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws were completed and filed.

The Harvey Canal Industrial Association was founded as a parochial organization - a group of men and women dedicating themselves to the improvement of the business climate along the Harvey Canal. Today, the association remains true to this priority -- improving the business climate along the canal; however, it now encompasses companies throughout the metropolitan area including Metairie, New Orleans, Plaquemines and St. Bernard. Thus, today the members of HCIA touch far beyond the boundaries of the Harvey Canal and the city of Harvey.

The HCIA is involved through the efforts of its hardworking members with legislative matters, marine problems, improvement of roadways, environmental issues and insurance reform. Committees are staffed by volunteers to monitor all development along the canal including infrastructure improvements. The committees currently manned are: Governmental/Environmental Affairs Committee, Membership Committee, Human Resources Development Committee, Infrastructure Committee, and Special Events Committee. Committees meet monthly to monitor or to institute a program.

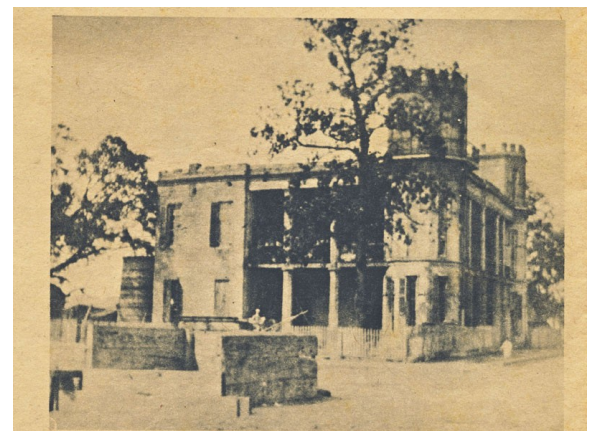
The HCIA supports education by awarding three \$1000 scholarships annually to deserving students. To qualify, a student must be the child or grandchild of an HCIA member company employee; must maintain a 2.5 GPA during his/her four years of high school; and must be attending a Louisiana State college or university. In addition, each applicant is required to write an essay on a topic determined by our board.

It is a fascinating, interesting association! And, our office is a home built in 1848 - one of the original homes located on the Rathborne Property where the Harvey Canal basically intersects with the Mississippi River. On beautiful fall and spring days, I open the wooden French doors of my office onto the screened-in porch and can hear the local birds in the oaks that surround this enchanting house. Daily I see large ships traveling up and down the mighty Mississippi River and hear several boat horns announcing their approach to the Harvey locks.

I hope by learning the history of our grand Harvey Canal and its importance to our local and state economy, you might not be overly agitated when the Fourth Street or Lapalco bridges go up and you must wait for a tow to go by. I know I think about it differently now! That inconvenience means that our jobs are secure because our company products are being transported to another area of the United States or to a foreign country or supplies and crews are being transported to oil and gas fields in the Gulf. Whether crews or products or supplies, it means that we're working and our economy is growing.

No one can ask for more!! I feel truly blessed to have found this amazing, wonderful position!

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Picture Out Of Our Past

YES, Virginia, there was a castle in Harvey, and it was built by (you guessed it), Harvey.

The Harvey Castle is one of the landmarks that have bitten the dust on the West Bank.

"It was built in 1844 by Joseph Hale Harvey for his bride, Louisa Marie D'Estrahan," writes the contributor, Verona Harvey Leblanc, 522 Manhattan Blvd., Harvey. "It was located adjacent to the Harvey Canal near the Mississippi River."

The contributor is the great granddaughter of the castle builder.

"My grandfather was born there," she writes, "and it's said the family lived a luxurious and colorful life. Any number of stories have been written about the Harveys, the castle, and the canal which bears the family name."

And while we're speaking of names, let's slip in "Azby", a manufactured name if ever there was one. It's in the Harvey family and a brother of the contributor now carries it.

"The name was formed by using the first and last letters of the alphabet, followed by the second and second-to-last letters," says the contributor.

Oh! What ever happened to the castle? It came down in 1925, says the contributor, when it and the canal were sold to the U.S. Government to permit canal enlargement and new lock construction.

You are invited to submit Pictures Out of Our Past. \$5 will be paid for each picture published. One date and place of photo submitted. Those taken later than 1925 are unacceptable. Pictures will be returned only if stamped, self-addressed envelope is attached.

Editor's Note: For updated information on HCIA (now known as WBIA), read the article submitted by Bonnie Wall in the March issue of the Westbank Oil Patch:

<http://westbankdandd.org/OilPatch/2017March.pdf>

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Shell Appomattox Project

Shell reports that it has achieved a key milestone in the development of its Appomattox project, which is slated to produce first oil from the deepwater Gulf of Mexico by the end of the decade.

The company says that the hull for the Appomattox platform is en route from Geoje, South Korea, to Ingleside, Texas, where the topsides will be added and construction completed. With the recent completion and sail away of the hull, Shell says that fabrication is more than 60% complete and on schedule.

The Appomattox development initially will produce from the Appomattox and Vicksburg fields, with average peak production estimated at 175,000 boe/d. The development host will comprise a semisubmersible, four-column production host platform, a subsea system featuring six drill centers, 15 producing wells, and five water injection wells.

Appomattox is 80 mi (129 km) offshore Louisiana, in approximately 7,200 ft (2,195 m) of water. The platform and the Appomattox and Vicksburg fields will be owned by Shell (79%) and Nexen Petroleum Offshore U.S.A. Inc. (21%), a wholly owned subsidiary of CNOOC Ltd.



The hull of Shell's Appomattox platform is en route from Geoje, South Korea, to Ingleside, Texas, onboard COSCO Shipping's Xin Guang Hua.

Oil and gas operators are positioning for potential growth in US offshore wind projects.

While 88% or 14.4 GW of the global installed capacity is offshore Europe, the US could generate more than 2,000 GW of offshore wind power, Stephanie McClellan with the University of Delaware said at *Renewable Energy World's* inaugural Offshore Wind Executive Summit (OWES) in Houston.

McClellan pointed to the first operational US offshore wind farm – Block Island Wind Farm in 2016 – and rapidly declining costs as possible catalysts for more projects in the US. Meanwhile, Europe has witnessed strong growth in projects over the last five years, from 4.1 GW in 2011 to 14.4 GW of installed capacity in 2016.

Two European operators with deep roots in offshore oil and gas operations are actively investing in this renewable trend. Statoil recently made a strategic shift in its portfolio by separating its renewable energy business into a standalone unit, New Energy Solutions (NES). Its mandate is to focus on offshore wind, solar, and energy storage.

The operator is also working to reduce the carbon footprint of its core oil and gas business with the development of technologies for CO₂ storage and injection for IOR. Statoil is leveraging its experience in offshore oil and gas operations to advance its NES business, explained Meagan Keiser, Lead Counsel, Statoil, at OWES. This includes managing complex projects in harsh environments, applying technology to reduce costs, and leveraging its global presence and supply chain, financial strength, and safety and sustainability record, she said.

Another European operator with a background in oil and gas, DONG, is taking a different investment approach. The operator has shed its offshore oil and gas assets during the past 10 years to focus almost exclusively on wind power. It now holds the greatest market share (29%) of global installed offshore wind capacity. The operator's experience in offshore oil and gas development has been a key enabler of its transformation, said Thomas Brostrøm, President, North America, Wind Power, DONG Energy, at OWES. There a number of synergies between offshore oil and gas and wind operations, including logistics services, operating in harsh environments, and HSE, he said.

Both Keiser and Brostrøm agreed that a key difference between offshore oil and gas and wind operations is volume. Offshore wind projects commonly require multiple installations.

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Future Home Tech: 8 Energy-Saving Solutions on the Horizon

Let's take a look at a few technologies we can expect to see in the marketplace within the next few years that will make our homes even more sustainable.

1. Smarter, More Connected Homes

We live in an increasingly connected world -- the same is true for our homes. New electronic devices and appliances can now be linked to the Internet to provide real-time data that makes it easier to understand and lower energy use.

Soon these technologies will be more cost effective and smarter as a result of a project supported by the Energy Department's Building Technologies Office. New wireless sensors developed at Oak Ridge National Laboratory will boost home energy efficiency through automated control systems for heating and cooling units, lighting and other systems that access data such as outside air and room temperature, humidity, light level and occupancy all at a fraction of a cost of typical wireless sensors you see on the market today. Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory are also developing new protocols and standards that will improve how smart appliances communicate with each other and interact with the electric grid.

2. Ultra-Efficient Heat Pumps

The Building Technologies Office is ushering in the next generation of heat pump systems, which warm and cool your home by moving heat from one space to another. These include:

- A fuel-fired, multi-function residential heat pump that can reduce primary energy consumption by 30 percent.
- A natural gas heat pump and air conditioner that uses an ultra-low-emission combustion burner and other equipment to provide home heating, cooling and hot water.
- A low-cost gas heat pump designed to reduce heating costs by 30 to 45 percent compared to conventional gas furnaces and boilers.

3. Carbon-Fighting Clothes Dryers

The same concept behind heat pump technologies that keep your home comfortable can also be used for another important application: drying your clothes. Oak Ridge National Laboratory and General Electric are developing a new type of clothes dryer that uses a heat pump cycle to generate hot air needed for drying. The result: a more efficient dryer that has the potential to lower energy consumption by 60 percent compared to conventional ones on the market today.

4. Magnetic Refrigerators (That's Right, Magnets)

Oak Ridge National Laboratory and General Electric have teamed up to create a revolutionary new type of refrigerator that uses magnets to create cold, also known as the magnetocaloric effect (lowering or raising the temperature of material by changing the magnetic field). For the past 100 years, refrigerators have relied on a process called vapor compression that uses coolants which can be harmful to the environment. The new refrigerator is a revolutionary technology that uses a water-based cooling fluid, making it better for the environment and more efficient, which means lower energy bills and less carbon pollution.

5. Advanced Window Controls

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and Pella Windows are working on new highly insulated windows that use sensors and microprocessors to automatically adjust shading based on the amount of available sunlight and the time of day to ensure proper lighting and comfort, saving consumers energy and money.

6. Next-Gen Insulation

Insulation is one of the most important ways to reduce your home heating and cooling costs. The Industrial Science & Technology Network is developing new foam insulation made with environmentally friendly and advanced composite materials that ensure heat doesn't escape from the attic, walls and other areas of the home during cold winter months.

7. Reflective Roofing Materials

Cool roofs coated with materials containing specialized pigments reflect sunlight and absorb less heat than standard roofs. Expect these types of roof systems to get even "cooler" due to new fluorescent pigments developed by Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and PPG Industries that can reflect nearly four times the amount of sunlight of standard pigments.

8. Brighter, Better Lighting

LEDs (light emitting diodes) have come a long way, with today's highest-performing lights consuming 85 percent less energy than incandescent bulbs. The Building Technologies Office's Solid State Lighting Program supports research and development to lower the cost of LEDs, while making them even more efficient and long lasting. In fact, LED efficiency is expected to double from the current 125-135 lumens per watt to 230 lumens per watt in the next few years as result of continued R&D.

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