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# 2022 Committee Chairmen

Bulletin/Web: Judi Adams/Charlie Miller Bylaws: TBD Contest: Bonnie Wall Election: TBD Field Trip: Bonnie Wall Finance: Debbie Brazeal General Arrangements: Elaine Lesnak Membership/Orientation: Susan Miller Nominating: Judy Guillot Program/IAN: Angie Duplessis Scholarship: Gaylen Guillory

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## 2022 Westbank Board of Directors

President: Judi Adams Vice President: Angie Duplessis Secretary: Theresa Adams Treasurer: Pam Lauckner Director: Linda Belsome Director: Bonnie Wall

# 2022 ADDC Board of Directors

President: Philana Thompson President Elect: Barbara Pappas Secretary: Wendy Sparks Treasurer: Heather Woods IPP: Evelyn Green Parliamentarian: Nell Lindenmeyer Northeast Director: Samuel Thomas Southeast Director: Samuel Thomas Southeast Director: Kathy Martin Central Director: Jamie Sabata West Director: Esther Greyeyes

Westbank Club 2022 Meeting Calendar			
BOARD MEETINGS	GENERAL MEETINGS		
January 19	January 26		
February 16	February 23		
April 16	April 23		
April 13*	April 27		
May 18	May 25		
June—No Meeting	No Meeting		
July 20	July 27		
August 17	August 24		
September 14**	September 28		
October 19	October 26		
November—No Meeting	No Meeting		
December 7***	December 13***		
* moved-Region Meeting; ** moved-Convention; *** moved-Christmas/RD			

# **December Meeting**

Join us on December 13 (note date change!)

# 2023 Officer Installation

# 2022 Southeast Region Director Kathy Martin.

Bring a new, wrapped gift (\$15-20) for exchange game.

Bring new, unwrapped toys for Plaquemines C.A.R.E. Center

# Club President's Newsletter

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Angie Duplessis Vice President

Theresa Adams Secretary

Pam Lauckner Treasurer

Linda Belsome Director

Bonnie Wall Director December 2022

Letter #12

Dear Westbank Members,

It is with a very heavy heart that I write this letter. Losing our dear friend Cora Bergeron has her loved ones and friends reeling with her passing. Keep her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

I looked back at the past year and saw what our club has done:

- We had 100% membership renewal.
- We added one new member (Hi, Arvella!)
- We found a new location for our club monthly meetings.
- We held a successful Bunco fundraiser for scholarship fund.
- We met (actually exceeded) ADDC Program requirements.
- We sent 14 club members to the 2022 Southeast Region Meeting in April.
- We approved Susan Miler to run (and win) for 2023 ADDC Southeast Region Director.
- We held a very successful BUNCO for Scholarship Fund.
- We sent three members to Washington, PA to attend ADDC Convention and Educational Conference.
- We voted on and approved changes to the club bylaws, standing rules, and officer responsibilities.
- We navigated the stars at our October membership meeting.
- We elected 2023 Officers and Board of Directors. and
- We supported both St. Joseph Apartments and Plaquemines C.A.R.E. Center with our donations.

Our club was successful this year due to our club officers and board members, committee chairmen, and all of our club members.

The year ahead holds more challenge and success, as we conduct club business and host the 2023 Southeast Region Meeting presided over by 2023 Southeast Region Director Susan Miller.

# Judi Adams



# What's happening with the Westbank Club?

### Secretary—Theresa Adams

Having no meeting in November, there are no minutes to approve.

### Treasurer—Pam Lauckner

The Treasurer's reports were emailed to members for review and approval, then filed for audit. We will

### **Contest—Bonnie Wall**

The committee is selecting material to submit to the ADDC Contest Committee. We are still waiting for the forms and instructions from the ADDC Contest chairman. This year, only electronic versions will be submitted.

### Finance—Linda Belsome

Ticket sales for 50/50 are \$1/one or \$5/six at membership meetings.

### General Arrangements—Elaine Lesnak, Chairman

Elaine will send out the notice for our **December 13th** meeting at the Red Maple Restaurant. We'll have Officer Installation by 2022 Southeast Region Director Kathy Martin and a fun gift exchange. Guests are welcome to attend without Board approval, but be sure to let Susan and Elaine know who is attending.

### Wear your holiday finery!

### Membership—Susan Miller, Chairman

We have 34 members. Membership renewal forms will be distributed on December 13th.

### **Community Service—Angie Duplessis**

Angle will collect donations of NEW, UNWRAPPED toys for kids of all ages; bring your donations with you to the December meeting. Angle will deliver them to the Plaquemines C.A.R.E. Center.



Happy 50th Anniversary, Randy and Susan Miller!





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#### December, 2022

To the wonderful members of the Southeast Region,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!

The end of 2022 is a bit bittersweet as this will be my last letter to you as your Southeast Region Director. I would like to take this opportunity to express a MASSIVE THANK YOU to YOU, the members of the Southeast Region, for entrusting me with this honor - it has been a very rewarding and enlightening experience!

To the phenomenal 2022 Presidents of the Southeast Region: Angie Corvers, Baton Rouge Club; Dorothy Jordan, Corpus Christi Club; Connie Gibson (Connie G), El Dorado Club; Jennifer Accardo, Lafayette Club; Charlotte Ratcliff, Morgan City Club; Dianne Badeaux, New Orleans Club; Missy Carroll, Red River Club; Kathy Johnson, San Antonio Club; Cindy Miller, Victoria Club and Judi Adams, Westbank Club - you ladies ROCK and have truly made the experience easier than expected! Your leadership has been a shining beacon and my prayers for your successors to be the same for Susan Miller, 2023 Southeast Region Director Elect!!

Speaking of your 2023 Board, hopefully all of you have elected or are in the process of electing your club 2023 Board. I am looking forward to installing the 2023 Board for Baton Rouge, New Orleans and Westbank in the coming weeks. Please remember to submit your "New Club Officers" form (ADO form 31) and distribute the original to ADO, 5014 FM 1500, Paris, TX 75460, email: ado@addc.org; one copy to Susan Miller, 2023 Southeast Regional Director-Elect (with an email copy to me please) and retain one copy for your club records.

Please take notice that the submission method for AIMEE entries is changing. Effective immediately, all submissions will be ELECTRONIC and will no longer require hard copies or mailings. Your President received an email on the changes as well as the NEW DEADLINE OF JANUARY 1, 2023. While we understand this is short notice for this year's submissions, we certainly hope the elimination of mailings will ease the burden and encourage every club to enter!!

There are a few opportunities remaining for 2023 Chairmen/Region Reps on several ADDC Committees! If you are interested, please get with Susan Miller, who is working diligently on getting all positions filled!

Thank you all for your support,

Kathy Martin



"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless." – Sherry Anderson

#### **Board of Directors**

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#### December 2022

As I begin to wind down my year as President of ADDC I am reflecting on what the board was able to accomplish, the things that are still in progress and what we were not able to address in what seems like a very short year!

The time flew by faster than I could keep up! With the world seeming to start spinning faster coming out of two years of pandemics, natural disasters, and our industry's roller coaster, trying to catch up on things that were put on the back burner plus the current processes was not an easy task for this organization to stay ahead of! BUT I can tell you this 2022 board did a fabulous job of tackling some hard tasks and trying to see this organization into the future.

Reading some of the responses to the survey, majority of the folks in this organization are not ready to give up! They see the value of ADDC and what it stands for, we simply must figure out innovative ways to provide what our purpose is, which is a "premier provider of energy education and professional development". We will never see those days of 5000+ members, but times have changed, and this organization should adapt to that change!

The survey is still open to those who did not have the opportunity to take it, please take 5 minutes of your time and provide your honest feedback! Your 2023 board will be looking at your responses and how we can help the association into the future!

#### https://forms.gle/xX6rLF1HN6m3ShDU7

I personally have many goals and tasks to continue to work on in 2023 and beyond for ADDC. For anything to "get better, grow, or adapt continuous process improvement is a major factor, and I am not done!

I want to thank the 2022 Board of Directors, Club presidents, committee representatives and members for providing honest feedback, guidance, and support throughout this year! I also want to provide a special thank you to Nell Lindenmeyer, Linda Rodgers and of course the Farmington Club for your support and love during not only this year but my entire journey thus far!! God always has a plan and this path he sent me on has helped me grow not only in my career but my personal life as well!!

Prayers and Blessings! Philana Thompson pthompson@merrion.bz

## Shell to Acquire Renewable Natural Gas Producer Nature Energy

#### 28 NOV 2022

Shell Petroleum NV, a wholly owned subsidiary of Shell plc (Shell), has reached an agreement with Davidson Kempner Capital Management LP, Pioneer Point Partners and Sampension to acquire 100% shareholding of Nature Energy Biogas A/S (Nature Energy) for nearly USD \$2 billion (€ 1.9 billion). The acquisition will be absorbed within Shell's current capital range, which remains unchanged.

Based in Denmark, Nature Energy is a producer of Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) from agricultural, industrial, and household wastes.

By purchasing the shares in Nature Energy, Shell will acquire the largest RNG producer in Europe, its portfolio of cash generative operating plants, associated feedstock supply and infrastructure, its pipeline of growth projects and its in-house expertise in the design, construction, and operation of innovative and differentiated RNG plant technology.

This acquisition will further increase Shell's ability to work with its established customer base across multiple sectors to accelerate its transition to net-zero emissions. It will also support Shell's ambition to profitably grow its low carbon fuels production and customer offering in our world-leading customer-facing Marketing business.

"Shell's competitiveness in low carbon fuels derives from capabilities across the value chain, combining a world-class Trading and Supply organisation with access to differentiated technology and production assets," said Huibert Vigeveno, Shell's Downstream Director. "Acquiring Nature Energy will add a European production platform and growth pipeline to Shell's existing RNG projects in the United States. We will use this acquisition to build an integrated RNG value chain at global scale, at a time when energy transition policies and customer preferences are signalling strong growth in demand in the years ahead."

The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and is expected to close in Q1 2023. Nature Energy is cash generative, and the acquisition is expected to be both accretive to Shell's earnings from completion and deliver double digit returns.

Nature Energy was founded in 1979 as a natural gas distributor. The company established its first biogas plant in Denmark in 2015 and now has 14 operating plants with associated infrastructure, feedstock arrangements, and current 2022 production of around 6.5 mln MMBtu/yr (3,000 boe/d1). The company also has a pipeline of around 30 new plant projects in Europe and North America. More than a third of these projects are in medium to late development stage in Denmark, the Netherlands and France and could deliver up to 9.2 mln MMBtu/yr (4,400 boe/d) by 2030, subject to future final investment decisions and relevant regulatory approvals.

Nature Energy and its 420 employees located in Europe and North America will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of Shell, initially under its existing brand.

Source: shell.com/media

# Recent Energy Headlines .....November 2022 Recap

**10/26/2022 - ExxonMobil Finds Oil Two More Times In Guyana** - U.S. supermajor ExxonMobil has made discoveries at the Sailfin-1 and Yarrow-1 wells in the Stabroek block offshore Guyana, adding to its extensive portfolio of development opportunities. ExxonMobil has made more than 30 discoveries on the block since 2015, and it has ramped up offshore development and production at a pace that far exceeds the industry average. <u>Read Full Article</u>

11/5/2022 - Depleting strategic oil reserves could prove 'painful in the months to come': Saudi energy minister - That's Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman, Saudi Arabia's oil minister, delivering an ominous warning Tuesday. Without identifying the U.S. or other countries by name, the minister said at a conference in Riyadh that "people are depleting their emergency stocks," using them to "manipulate markets" despite their stated purpose being to mitigate supply shortages. <u>Read Full Article</u>

11/7/2022 - GoM Winterfell oil project moving forward - An affiliate of Beacon Offshore Energy has signed a rig commitment letter to drill and complete three wells for the Winterfell oil development in the Green Canyon area of the US Gulf of Mexico, starting mid-2023. <u>Read Full</u> <u>Article</u>

**11/8/2022 - Can Refracs Boost U.S. Shale Output? -** A global oil shortage and high fuel prices has triggered calls from President Joe Biden's administration for U.S. shale producers to spend more of their profits to boost output. However, shale producers have been under pressure to focus more on returning excess cash to shareholders in the form of dividends and buybacks rather than production growth. Luckily, there's a proven technology for U.S. shale oil producers to return to existing wells and give them a second, high-pressure blast to increase output for a fraction of the cost of finishing a new well: shale well refracturing. <u>Read Full Article</u>

**11/14/2022 - USA EIA Raises Oil Price Forecast -** The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) slightly raised its Brent oil price forecast for both 2022 and 2023, the organization's latest short term energy outlook (STEO) has revealed. The EIA now sees the Brent crude oil spot price averaging \$102.13 per barrel this year and \$95.33 per barrel next year, according to its November STEO. In its October STEO, the EIA projected that the Brent spot average would come in at \$102.09 per barrel in 2022 and \$94.58 per barrel in 2023. <u>Read Full</u> <u>Article</u>

**11/14/2022 - BOEM sets Gulf sale for March 29, 2023 -** The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) will offer all of the available unleased acreage in the Gulf outer continental shelf on March 29, it said in a sale notice posted online. <u>Read Full Article</u>

11/15/2022 - A return to \$100 oil? - Despite a contentious production cut, it remains to be seen if the drop in oil prices over the past few months will prove to be temporary or if prices will return to earlier 2022 levels. Prices on the Brent benchmark are expected to return to more than \$100/bbl by Christmas, said Norwegian consultancy Rystad Energy, while others predict fears of a recession, accompanied by a drop in demand and increased supply, may keep a handle on prices. <u>Read Full Article</u>



Renewable Energy-Solar and Wind photo by Judi Adams, September 9, 2022 Portsmouth, RI



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### AND MUCH MORE!





# **Snowy Bourbon Balls**

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Prep	Total	Servings
30 min	30 min	48

# Ingredients

- box (12 oz) vanilla wafer cookies, finely crushed
- cup chopped pecans or walnuts
- 3/4 cup powdered sugar
  - 2 tablespoons unsweetened baking cocoa
- 1/2 cup bourbon
- 2 1/2 tablespoons light corn syrup

Additional powdered sugar



# Steps

- In large bowl, mix cookie crumbs, pecans, 3/4 cup powdered sugar and the cocoa, stirring well.
- 2 In small bowl, mix bourbon and corn syrup, stirring until blended. Pour bourbon mixture over cookie mixture; stir until blended. Shape into 1-inch balls; roll in additional powdered sugar. Store tightly covered at room temperature up to 2 weeks.

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Editor's note: I've made these for many years, substituting Teddy Grahams, graham crackers, or chocolate wafer cookies for the vanilla wafers. There never any leftovers, but don't bring them to the office! I had a tipsy supervisor one year...REALLY!



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