

## Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City

# DERRICK LIGHTS

## MAGIC SUITCASE

By: Marsha Gentry



The Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs has created a program title “The Magic Suitcase” to introduce children to the world of petrochemicals. A few members of our Club have seen the program, but, many have not. Our new to us member, Jamie Sabata, adjusted the program to the adult level and presented “The Senior Magic Suitcase” for our June program.

Jamie brought a suitcase full of products that we use today and that are made from petrochemicals – materials made from liquids contained in crude oil and natural gas. The most common petrochemical products used today are synthetic polymers (plastics and synthetic rubber).

**Polyethylene** is the most widely used plastic in the world. As examples, in Jamie’s suitcase, she pulled out a plastic grocery bag, plastic bottle, Styrofoam container, and even a Tupperware container. Other polyethylene includes outdoor furniture, siding for homes, floor tiles and so many other items we use every day.

**Polyolefin**, another petrochemical, is used in shrink wrap and scuba diving suits to name a couple.

What isn’t **polyester** used in? It’s used in everything from home furnishings, blankets, clothing and synthetic wigs. As a matter of fact, Jamie didn’t have a wig in her suitcase, she had one on her head, and no one even knew! Jamie shared a mouse pad, pillow and stuffed animal from her suitcase – all made of polyester.

**Polyurethane** products have many uses. Over three-fourths of the global usage of this product is in the form of polyurethane foam, either flexible or rigid.

And, of course, a widely used material made from petrochemicals is **vinyl**. Some include tablecloths, decals, vinyl records, vinyl siding and flooring. Unlike some petrochemical products, vinyl can be recycled.

And, then there’s **Polyvinylchloride** or PVC for pipe. **Polycarbonate** is used in computer monitors, CDs, eyeglasses, traffic lights plus lots more. Don’t forget **nylon**, one of the first commercially used petrochemicals (toothbrush bristles).

The list of items we use daily that are made with petrochemicals is endless and too many for a suitcase. Thank you, Jamie, for reminding us of the many petrochemical uses and how our industry contributes.

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# RRRR

Renew Refresh Remember  
**Repeat**

### **CLUB MOTTO**

“GREATER KNOWLEDGE -  
GREATER SERVICE”

### **CLUB PURPOSE**

The purpose of the 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.

### **ADDC MISSION STATEMENT**

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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*From the Editor,  
Ann Mefford*

Summer



Blessed with rain this month and everything is still green. Mowing is going to be fun for the next few weeks, my riding mower is in the shop for a few weeks so back to pushing a mower for a while. I will be in great shape though and wont have to go to a gym for a work out.

Was really good to have a speaker and enjoyed our June meeting. We are going to continue that trend in September when we get back with another in person speaker.

Enjoy the summer break and we will be back to meeting in September.

*Ann*

*Too Blessed to Be Stressed!*



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July 2023

Dear Members –

Sometimes, fun plans just fall through. As it was with our picnic plans! The temperature was just too hot for us to enjoy our June picnic/meeting outdoors. But, **MANY THANKS** to Gungoll Exploration and Wendy Sparks for the use of their conference room. We were able to kinda picnic with our box dinners from Chick-Fil-A.

And, our program was so much fun. Jamie Sabata tweaked the Magic Suitcase from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade level to grown-up level, and it was so interesting and informative. Jamie even wore some petrochemicals on her head!!

If you sit out on your porch/patio and listen to the birds, I've got an app for you. Go to your app store and download Merlin (its free). It is sponsored by The Cornell Lab, and after you've got it loaded, click on "sound id", then tap the microphone and put your phone down. It will record bird songs and identify them for you. I record birds for about 10 minutes in the mornings and get anywhere between 15 and 20 different birds identified. I don't necessarily see them, but I hear them.

We're taking a July – August hiatus. By the time we meet again (September 27), the ADDC Convention will be a memory, and your delegates will have a report. Cecil Duke, owner of CD Fluid Training, will be our speaker, football season will be in full swing, and, hopefully, the temps will be a little cooler.

Enjoy your summer adventures!!

*Marsha*

*"Be Sure Not To Fizzle When The Summer Starts To Sizzle"*  
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July 2023

To: ADDC Membership

The year is halfway over and the ADDC committees on the Region level and Association level have been busy. The Public Relations committee publicized the DSA and SSA and I hope clubs and individuals responded to their call for nominations of these awards. It is an honor to be nominated and it is an even greater honor to receive the Distinguished Service Award or the Special Achievement Award. The Nominating committee has also been busy searching for our 2024 Association officers. The West Region has been busy planning and organizing the 2023 ADDC Convention for our membership and guests in September. Registration packets were sent out and can be found on the ADDC website, [www.addc.org](http://www.addc.org) (News & Publications/"ADDCC News" and also can be found under the "Convention" link.

**Registration Fee:** \$250.00 for members (by August 28, 2023)

**Late Registration Fee:** \$275.00 for members (after August 28, 2023)

**Hotel Reservations:** 505-796-7500 or via the website: <https://gettaroom.b4checkin.com/sandia/RLP/DESKANDDERRICKCLUBS>

**Reservation Code:** 9890 or mention ADDC

(All rooms are \$194.00 + tax for single, double, triple, or quad. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. The deadline for reservations is August 31, 2023.)

The West Region Clubs are excited to host this year's convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico! Field Trips will be Wednesday and Seminars and the Certification Class - "Energy 101" will be held on Thursday within one additional field trip being offered. Friday and Saturday will be our Business Meetings. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Board.

**"If you want to improve the organization, you have to improve yourself, and the organization gets pulled up with you." - Indra Nooyi, CEO of PepsiCo**

**Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service**

*Barbara Pappas*

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July 2023

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!!! I hope all of you have a fun and safe holiday. I will be in Spring, Texas trying to stay cool. I hope all of you are staying cool this summer.

Just a reminder to all of you that the 2023 ADDC Convention Registration Packet is on the ADDC website ([www.addc.org](http://www.addc.org)). There are plenty of Field Trips and Seminars to choose from. I hope to see you all in Albuquerque on September 20 – 24, 2023. The Certification Class is Energy 101 and will be from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm on Thursday, September 21, 2023.

Please try and attend the 2023 ADDC Convention. You will learn a lot, meet new friends, and greet old friends. If you haven't ever been to Convention or Albuquerque, come and enjoy. You will be glad you came to Albuquerque.

ADDC **WANT'S YOU** for 2024 Officers. We need 2024 Treasurer, Secretary and President Elect to work with President Wendy Sparks and the 2024 Region Directors. If you have been a Region Director and are still employed in an allied industry, you qualify. Please think about helping ADDC out and put your name in for one of the 3 offices. The cutoff date is June 30, 2023.

Please remember to send your program reports to Diana Walker, she is the Region Representative for the Program Committee.

Also, the Distinguished Member or Special Achievement Award nominations are due by July 1, 2023. Please send your nominations to Helen Trujillo at [htrujillo@rbayless.com](mailto:htrujillo@rbayless.com). These awards can be for individuals or clubs.

Have you considered volunteering to be a ADDC Committee Chairman or Representative for 2024 ADDC. Check out the website and see if one of the ADDC Committees is right for you. You will be helping 2024 President, Wendy Sparks, and yourself.

Remember the Winning Image Photo Contest goes from 12-1-2022 to 11-30-2023, and the Convention Credentials forms are due by August 15, 2023.

As always, be safe but have loads of fun during the summer.

Val Williams



**Lucky**



**Strike!**



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**July**

**07/10 Connie Price**

**07/23 Martha Hunter West**

**07/29 Debby Bond**

**September**

**09/04 Marsha Gentry**



No June Birthdays but, members had a fun time at the meeting.

Michelle Burgard 50/50 Winner!



## September 27, 2023 Membership Meeting

**Location TBD**

Dinner & Meeting at **5:30 p.m.**

Cost \$20 Meeting Only: No Charge

Cecil Duke will be our speaker with CD fluid Training.

**Reservations must be received by noon on Monday, September 25, 2023**

Payment Must Be Made For Reservation

Send Reservations to: Ann Nguyen E-mail: [anguyen@eprod.com](mailto:anguyen@eprod.com)



### DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 18 Sour Candy Day
- July 21 Pajama Day
- July 23 Hot Enough For Ya Day
- July 24 Tell an Old Joke Day
- July 28 Talk in an Elevator Day



July 29 Water Gun Fight Day



Aug 3 National Watermelon Day



Aug 6 Root Beer Float Day

Aug 8 International Cat Day

Aug 12 Vinyl Record Day



Aug 13 International Left Handers' Day

Aug 17 I Love My Feet Day



Aug 21 Spumoni Day

# JULY 2023

### LET'S LAUGH (or groan)



Q: What did the father say to his daughter when she said she's call him later?  
 A: No – call me Dad.

Q: Why is it hard to hire a clown?  
 A: Because they have big shoes to fill.



Q: How did the tree get lost?  
 A: It took the wrong root.

Q: What is a werewolf's favorite beer?  
 A: Blue Moon.



Q: How do bees get to school?  
 A: They take the school buzz.



Q: What did the bat say to his girlfriend?

### July Trivia

1. What is the July birthstone?
2. What are the two July flowers?
3. What are the two Zodiac signs for the month of July?
4. What is the color of July?
5. The month of July was named for what historical figure?
6. T/F: No month ends on the same day of the week as July unless it is a leap year, when January does so.
7. How many U.S. presidents have died in July?
8. What fruit is celebrated this month?
9. What does the July birthstone symbolise?
10. T/F: In all parts of the UK July is on average the coldest month of the year.

(9) Contentment (10) False

ANSWERS: (1) Ruby (2) Water Lily or Larkspur (3) Cancer & Leo (4) Red (5) Julius Caesar (6) True (7) Seven (8) July is National Blueberry Month

## ENDANGERED



All these animals are endangered, which means they are in danger of going extinct.

G C G E P S H L E A E R  
 R O T I G E R O L L I A  
 E N P O L A R B E A R L  
 Y D A B A T W R P S H E  
 W O N D N U O H H G I O  
 O R D U F R F U A H N P  
 L M A N A T E E N L O A  
 F E O T S L A E T T E R  
 O N A C H E E T A H A D

The names of all these animals are hidden in this word search. They can go horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. Can you find all of them?

 CHEETAH MANATEE SEA TURTLE WHALE TIGER PANDA	 LEOPARD RHINO ELEPHANT POLAR BEAR CONDOR GREY WOLF
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JULY 2023							
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					<b>Bulletin Articles Due</b>		

SEPTEMBER 2023						
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					<b>BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE</b>	