

# Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City DERRICK LIGHTS



## Card Tricks

By Marsha Gentry

Our January meeting was a round-table discussion to help set our goals for this year, get any complaints off our chests, and share suggestions for topics, field trips, seminars, etc.

Our guides were distributed playing cards. The Queen of Clubs represented our Bulletin since it is our crowning achievement. We discussed the need for more industry related articles and requested (begged) for volunteer authors. Keep your eyes and ears open for interesting topics. The Two of Diamonds' topic was field trips – since we want to have at least two this year. We are planning a trip to the First Americans Museum in April. There is some interest in a trip to the Great Salt Plains to dig for crystals or maybe to Alabaster Caverns by Freedom, OK. Food is the way to our hearts, so the Jack of Hearts represented where we meet and what we eat. As you know, we lost our private room at Packard's and are looking for another spot. Let Jamie Gilmore or Taylor Rose know if you have an idea.

The King of Hearts is membership. We discussed ideas of marketing our Club and plan to up-date our informational flyer to hand out to prospective members. We have mailed letters inviting the members of the now defunct Desk and Derrick Club of Enid to join us.

Since Central Region Meeting is in April, the Four of Diamonds was its icon. Since we haven't gotten to attend a region meeting since 2019, there is lots of anticipation for the 2022 Central Region Meeting in Wichita Falls, TX. I hope our Club will be well represented.

Good ideas were shared, everyone participated and we're off on another year's adventure!

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**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***



**Play Time**

I believe we are in for some changes in this new year. I am hopeful for more opportunities to get out and do things.

I know we are looking for a new place to meet and hold our meetings. I love the fact we are in person and not zoom meeting. There is just a warm and comfortable feeling of being near other people.

Field trip in April is a great start to this year and I will be ready to go see the First Americans Museum. It took 30 years to get built and finally open.

I will miss our meeting this month but, I will be on vacation and after the last couple of years it will be good to get away and just enjoy some fun with friends. My husband is already packed and we are both ready to go. I plan to have coffee on the balcony and enjoy the mornings before we run around and site see as much as we can. We also have lots of dancing on the schedule.

*Ann*

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And, now it's February. I hope you're staying warm, enjoyed some chocolates around the 14<sup>th</sup> and said "thanks" to George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Thank you to all that participated in our "round table" program at the January meeting. We started with some suggested topics, got some good feedback, and, yes, got way off topic sometimes. But, we have good ideas for interesting programs; we set a goal for at least two field trips; and, hoped that Central Region Meeting in Wichita Falls, TX will be a reality.

Speaking of Central Region Meeting, Michelle sent the meeting packet to everyone earlier this month. The Wichita Falls Club is planning an educational, interesting and fun few days. I hope everyone that can will plan on attending – Wichita Falls is just a few hours south on I-44. Maybe we can even find a few interesting stops (and Sonics) along the way.

Unless you receive a notification between now and our February meeting, we will be in the main dining room at Packard's. We're still working on a new meeting spot. Any suggestions are welcomed! Our meeting topic will be Internet and Cell Phone Security

Our meeting this month is 2-22-22, so please come and join us on Twosday the 22nd!

*Marsha*

*"It is better to offer no excuse than a bad one." ... George Washington*

*"Folks are usually about as happy as they make their minds up to be... Abraham Lincoln*



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February 2022

I had a goal last year regarding letters and that was to keep them short, sweet and to the point! This letter will have me moving away from one of those goals, short!

We have wrapped up the first in-person Budget & Planning meeting since 2019. The board worked hard, provided valuable input and feedback, and was well engaged. Please be on the look out for the highlights letter from your Regional Director in the next couple of weeks.

Things of note are this year we focused our strategic plan on goals that the ADDC committee's will be tasked with. Everything from education, marketing, technical and much, much more.

The budget vs actuals spreadsheet will be going out soon as well, what you will see is that we once again are estimating a sharp decrease in membership! The past years presidents continued to stress what our future will look like if we continue to have sharp decreases in membership decline! Keith, in his 2019 letter stated the following,

"If we can just stop losing members and stabilize, we can buy time to turn things around. If we see another year of typical membership loss, we will drop below 1,000 members soon and that is a milestone we do not want to see! If each of us commits to recruit one new member, we could double our size and create a huge positive impact on ADDC. If only 25% of us succeed, we still can see a significant improvement and benefit with 300 new members. This IS NOT impossible."

Those words have now come to fruition and we are well below 1,000! The last couple of years of being in a global pandemic have added even more stress to our organization. ADDC is not the only organization seeing the decline in membership, another world wide organization I am a member in is also struggling with these same things.

So how do we move forward? I have seen several concerns and comments, a few being "what does ADDC provide" and "how is ADDC helping?" The answer, WE are all ADDC, those of us currently serving in leadership roles on the association board, regional and club level are also asking these questions of ourselves and battling to find ways for us to not only gain members but retain the members we have! The biggest key, value! How does ADDC provide value, doing things we did in the past worked then, we now need to find new and inventive ways to add value! STEP outside our comfort zones!

Moving forward with the changes to the certification program is going to be a big VALUE add to our association. Folks have been working hard for years to add more components to the program in ways that addresses the changing world we live in now.

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## Central Region Director's Newsletter



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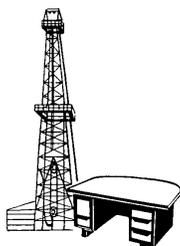
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February 2022

Greetings Central Region Members,

February is here...what happened to January? Seems like the months pass by faster with each passing year!

Last month, I traveled to Albuquerque, NM for the ADDC Board Budget and Planning Meeting. Being a first time board member, I had no idea what to expect or what it all entailed. Let me tell you, it truly was an eye opening and learning experience for me! I probably drove the board members crazy with all the questions I asked. Ha! We have a great group of leaders and I really enjoyed working together with ideas or suggestions on issues, along with tackling the budget and setting new goals! Made me realize how hard the board works for all of us members!

Remember, March is Desk & Derrick Awareness Month. Make plans to invite a prospective member to your next meeting and possibly reach out to a recent member that is from a disbanded or soon to be disbanding club. Also think outside the box...it might be a co-worker, friend, neighbor, or acquaintance that is interested in learning more of our industry and this great association. In 2019, I helped the Pampa Club gain a member by just talking about it with a couple parked beside us at a car show!

Don't forget that registration deadlines are quickly approaching for membership renewals and dues, along with proposed changes to ADDC Bylaws, Standing Rules, Code of Ethics, and 2023 Central Regional Director nominations.

Our 2022 Central Region Meeting is fast approaching!! Dates are April 29-30 and the registration packet has been emailed to all the club presidents. Rena Shaffer, Diana Walker and the Wichita Club members have worked hard planning for an educational and fun time! I am looking forward to seeing everyone in person...it has been way too long and much needed!

Love, Light and Blessings!

*Jamie*

## OKLAHOMA GYPSUM

By: Marsha Gentry

If you've ever driven Highway 412 between Enid and Woodward, you've no doubt noticed the Gloss Mountains on the north side of the highway. But, have you ever looked to the south side of the highway and wondered what all those trucks are doing and what all that white dust is? It's gypsum.

Gypsum is considered both a sedimentary rock and a mineral. Gypsum formed when ancient seas evaporated in Oklahoma during the Permian time (299-251 million years ago); geologists classify it as an *evaporite*. Western Oklahoma has many large deposits of gypsum totaling trillions of tons. More than 5 million tons of gypsum are mined in Oklahoma annually involving 22 companies strung out across seven western counties. Major County is the leading state source of gypsum, producing more than 1.7 million tons per year.



Surface quarrying methods extract all of the gypsum produced in Oklahoma. Oklahoma typically ranks first among the states that produce gypsum. As an industrial mineral, gypsum is versatile and has many uses. Those white county roads, oil lease roads and ranch roads are crushed gypsum rock. Gypsum is the main ingredient for making wallboard, so you more than likely have gypsum in your walls and ceilings at home and in your office.

Gypsum is nontoxic and is approved for human consumption by the USDA. It is a chalky mineral that is used in oddly diverse products. It is used as a calcium supplement in many foods such as white bread and pizza dough; its uses also include canning vegetables, brewing beer, and winemaking. Gypsum controls soil pH and is especially beneficial to crops such as alfalfa, corn, cotton, peanuts and wheat.

So, the next time you bite into that sandwich, or order a beer in Bricktown, or buy that loaf of bread at the grocery store, know that there is a good chance part of it was mined out of a mesa south of Little Sahara State Park.



Taylor Rose and Debi Sheline



Marcy Ebert and Marsha Gentry

**February 22, 2022 Membership Meeting**

Packard's New American Kitchen  
201 NW 10th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73103  
Dinner & Meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Cost \$26.00 Meeting Only: No Charge

Cash Bar

***We will meet in the main dining room for this meeting.***

**Reservations must be received by noon on Friday, February 18, 2022**

Payment Must Be Made For Reservation

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

**Lucky**



**Strike!**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



**February**

02/14 Cupid



**March**

03/20 Brandy Wilson

Jamie Gilmore with Wendy Sparks the 50/50 winner.



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Another value add, is the student membership program! This was where we had the biggest questions about how is ADDC helping to increase our membership, I refer back to my earlier response, but in summary, by listening to the membership and making changes to the governing documents to assist clubs in expanding membership opportunities is how we as your current leadership help.

What other ideas, suggestions and opportunities can you suggest or add to help your fellow clubs, regions and your association move forward to the future and meeting our main goal of energy education! What can the leadership do by way of policy change or what can we add to help bring increased learning and membership opportunities! This is yours, mine and our association. It has done so much for me in not only my career but in my personal life as well. I want to share that.

To wrap up, this is also your reminder to get those club dues in soon. They are due by the 1st of February to remain in good standing. Prayers and Blessing!

**Philana**



### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Feb. 17 My Way Day
- Feb. 18 Drink Wine Day  
(as if we needed an excuse)
- Feb. 20 Northern Hemisphere Hoodie Hoo Day
- Feb. 23 National Pink Shirt Day
- Feb. 26 World Pistachio Day
- Feb. 28 Cupcake Day
- Mar. 1 Peanut Lovers' Day
- Mar. 3 Simplify Your Life Day
- Mar. 5 Dress in Blue Day
- Mar. 6 Oreo Cookie Day
- Mar. 9 Fill Our Staplers Day
- Mar. 12 Middle Name Pride Day
- Mar. 13 Smart and Sexy Day
- Mar. 14 Potato Chip Day



### LET'S LAUGH (or groan)



Q: What do you get if you cross a parrot with a centpede?  
A: A walkie-talkie.

Q: What did the French groundhog see on February 2nd?  
A: His chateau



Q: What's the best way to make your trousers last?  
A: Make your shirt first.

Q: What's the difference between a \$20 steak & a \$55 steak?

A: February 14th.



Q: What do you call a frog born on February 29th?  
A: Leap frog.



Q: What do you call a small Valentine?  
A: A Valen-tiny



### Types of Gemstones

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- TOPAZ
- EMERALD
- KUNZITE
- AQUAMARINE
- ONYX
- AZURITE
- CITRINE
- SAPPHIRE
- AMETHYST
- JASPER
- DIAMOND
- PEARL
- RUBY
- GARNET
- TANZANITE
- PERIDOT
- JADE
- OPAL

## FEBRUARY 2022

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday                 | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday                    |
|---|---|-------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------------|
|   |   | 1                       | 2   | 3  | 4   | 5                           |
|   |  |                         |    |  |  | ICE CREAM FOR BREAKFAST DAY |
| 6   | 7   | 8                       | 9   | 10   | 11  | 12                          |
|  |   | NATIONAL BOY SCOUTS DAY |    |  | BULLETIN  |                             |
| 13  | 14  | 15                      | 16  | 17   | 18  | 19                          |
|   |  | SINGLES AWARENESS DAY   |   | NATIONAL RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY   |   |                             |
| 20  | 21  | 22                      | 23  | 24   | 25  | 26                          |
|  | Presidents' Day   | MEMBERS MEETING         |   |  |   | NATIONAL PISTACHIO DAY      |
| 27  | 28  |                         |   |  |   |                             |
| NATIONAL RETRO DAY  |   |                         |  |  |   |                             |

## MARCH 2022

| Sunday  | Monday | Tuesday         | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
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|   |        |                 |   |  | BULLETIN  |          |
|   |        |                 |   |  | ARTICLES DUE  |          |
| 13  | 14     | 15              | 16  | 17   | 18  | 19       |
|   |        |                 |   |  |   |          |
| 20  | 21     | 22              | 23  | 24   | 25  | 26       |
|  |        | MEMBERS MEETING |   |  |   |          |
| 27  | 28     | 29              | 30  | 31   |   |          |
|   |        |                 |   |  |  |          |