

Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City

DERRICK LIGHTS

The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money, and Power – Part 3
Daniel Yergin, 1990
1992, Pulitzer Prize for General Non-Fiction

Our February meeting at On The Border in SW OKC was nice change of scenery and cuisine. We viewed Part 3 of the 1992-93 PBS documentary *The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money, and Power*, which is subtitled *The Black Giant* on YouTube. A book by the same name was written by Daniel Yergin and published by Simon & Schuster in 1990.

Two things remain with me weeks after viewing Part 3 of *The Prize*. The first is Mr. Five Percent and the second is the enormous amount of oil produced in East Texas, especially from Kilgore, a town that I traveled through and lived just 60 miles away for more than half a decade.

In 1912, the Turkish government hired an ethnic Armenian, Calouste Gulbenkian, to explore the viability of oil to be produced in Mesopotamia, current day Iraq and Syria, and up to the end of WWI part of the once powerful Ottoman Empire. In the early century, Gulbenkian learned much in Cairo and Baku, Azerbaijan about oil (see Part 2), but his greatest influence and successes came from “arranging” business deals and making “introductions” to interested parties.

Calouste Gulbenkian should have been completely capable of going to Mesopotamia and studying the geology to determine if oil could be found in the area, but he chose another route. Gulbenkian studied travel books and talked to German railway engineers who were building the Bagdad Railway. He was right. There was oil in Mesopotamia and a lot of it.

Before WWI, The Turkish Petroleum Company became a consortium of Europe’s largest oil companies. Germany would get 25%, Britain 35%, Royal Dutch Shell and 15% to Gulbenkian, the "the conceiver, the founder, and the artisan of the Turkish Petroleum combine." After Germany started WWI, these arrangements were put on hold and at the conclusion of the war Germany was cut out of the deal and their portion was given to France (war reparations + spoils of war). It should be noted that Gulbenkian had become a naturalized citizen of Britain early in the century and France was Gulbenkian’s home away from Turkey for much of his early life.

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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***

March

Our weather is windy, warm, cold, snow, rain and tornadoes. Winter is like “good by” one minute then “hello I’m back” the next. It makes for an interesting spring time and we have to be watching all the time not to let it catch us off guard.

Next month will be our Central Regional Meeting and I hope some of our members will get to attend. My days are like the weather this year so I will not be able to go.

I look forward to some field trips and hopefully we can get some in person speakers for our regular member’s meetings.

Stay safe and keep your eyes on the sky>

Ann

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March 2023

Dear Members –

Just a reminder that our Club received its Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs charter in 1952.

In 1953, the Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City sponsored the first educational seminar held within the Association. All Clubs in the Region were invited to participate. This seminar was held at the University of Oklahoma and was a weekend devoted to furthering our educational purpose. And, we've been concentrating on education via monthly programs, field trips, seminars, etc. since that time.

So, I say it's time to celebrate our Club and have a 71st birthday party during Desk and Derrick Awareness Month. Please join me at On The Border (120 S. Reno) at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22 for dinner, birthday cake and Family Feud game night! The Roughnecks and Wildcatters will test their industry and Desk and Derrick knowledge once again. Who will come out on top?

You recently received your Central Region Meeting packet from Michelle. Please consider attending. Central Region Director Val Williams and the Butler County Club have made a concentrated effort to shorten the meeting to lessen your time away from home and to lower the expenses in consideration of your pocketbook. You'll come home having made new friends, increased your industry knowledge and tapped into your artistic side. Plus, you'll have lots of fun!

See you March 22!!

Marsha

"A good friend is like a four-leaf clover, hard to find and lucky to have"

Irish Proverb



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March 2023

To: ADDC Membership

Happy March Everyone! This is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month. Now is an excellent time to promote your club and the Association. There are several ways to promote Desk and Derrick - have a Membership Drive during March, contact your local city office and have your Mayor declare your meeting date as "Desk and Derrick Day", invite friends and colleagues to your meeting or possibly get in touch with prior members and ask them to attend your club meeting. You never know who might become a member, if you do not ask! Contact your local newspaper and have your club meeting information posted in the paper. Please share the fact that an individual does not have to be employed in the oil and gas, or allied industries to become a member of Desk and Derrick. Anyone who is interested in our industry is welcomed to become a member.

As regions "gear up" to hold their regional meetings, all registration information can be found on the ADDC website. You can also attend other region meetings than your own region meeting. It is a great way to meet other members and participate in their seminars, field trips, etc.

The Desk and Derrick Educational Trust is now accepting applications for Scholarships to assist with the cost of tuition and books. You may find the criteria that must be met for consideration by going to www.theeducationaltrust.org.

Club Presidents – please be sure that your membership renewals are sent into ADO as soon as possible. Each club that does not have their 2023 dues in prior to the Regional Meeting, will not be in good standing and will not be able to vote on matters before the Meeting.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the ADDC Board. This Association belongs to all of us and we are all in this together. We all need to move in a forward direction to accomplish our goals for the year, by working side by side.

The Rules Chairman, Angie Duplessis, provided a March letter and region meeting report, and it is uploaded to the ADDC website. There were no proposed amendments submitted to the Rules Committee by the February deadline. If you have any questions, you may contact Angie at angdupless@aol.com or myself.

"It's okay to admit what you don't know. It's okay to ask for help. And it's more than okay to listen to the people you lead – in fact, it's essential." —Mary Barra, CEO of General Motors

Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service

Barbara Pappas

Central Region Director's Newsletter



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March 2023

Greetings Central Region Members,

I hope this letter finds all of you well and I hope you had a very happy Valentine's Day. I know that some of our Central Region members celebrated Mardi Gras on the Gulf Coast of Alabama and I heard they had a very festive time.

March is DESK AND DERRICK AWARENESS MONTH. We celebrate this month with asking prospective members to come to meetings. Please step out of the box and try something new for your club. Do a brown bag lunch at your office and invite other employees to join you and talk about the history of ADDC, the Central Region and your Club.

The Budget and Planning Highlights are being released this month. The Central Region Nominating Committee with Wendy Sparks as chairman, are looking for someone to step-up and be the 2024 Region Director.

Our 2023 Central Region Meeting is fast approaching!! Dates are April 28-29, and the registration packet will be emailed to all the club presidents. Abby Johnson, and the Butler County Club are hosting this meeting. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in person and meeting new members.

Don't forget the ADDC Convention will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico on September 19-24, 2023, at the Sandia Resort and Casino. Watch for more information as it becomes available. Please make plans to attend.

Remember if you use the words "Desk and Derrick", D&D and or ADDC logo you will need to have Board approval. The form is on the ADDC Website.

Speaking of the ADDC Website, have you been there and checked the directory to update your information. The history of this great organization is posted. The order form for the Energy Activity Books is posted. Guidelines for ADDC Committees are available for each committee. There is a wealth of information on our website.

Have you visited the Central Region Facebook Page? You may post your club events and information about your club on this Facebook page.

May 15, 2023 is the deadline for filing the Annual Tax Form (TAXE1) and send it to Melodee Guererro of the Graham Club.

I hope all of you have the luck of the Irish and enjoy St Patrick's Day this month. It is for the wee folk.

Have a great month!

Val



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February 2023

ATTN: ADDC MEMBERS

Re: DESK AND DERRICK EDUCATIONAL TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

To Whom It May Concern:

The Desk and Derrick Educational Trust (ET) will accept scholarship applications for the 2023-2024 academic years from students seeking degrees in fields related to the energy and allied industries. Geology, geophysics, petroleum engineering, chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, energy management and nuclear engineering majors qualify. An application form and checklist are enclosed. The application form is also available in PDF format on the ET website, www.theeducationaltrust.org. Email us at info@theeducationaltrust.org

Applications must be received by April 1, 2023 for consideration.

Approximately 10 to 15 scholarships are awarded annually with amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$4,000 for students. The required minimum overall GPA is 3.25. A candidate will only be contacted if they are a recipient of a scholarship award. We would appreciate your cooperation in distributing this information to students who qualify for these scholarships. This information has also been sent to the financial aid office of your institution.

Scholarships are paid directly to the school that the selected applicant attends. Upon receiving the student's proof of enrollment, current overall grade point average and declared major, the first half of the scholarship will be paid for the Fall Semester. The second payment will be made at the appropriate time for the Spring Semester, if documentation is provided to prove the student has maintained eligibility as required.

Thank you for your assistance in notifying your students about these scholarships. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Diana Walker

Diana Walker
Chairman

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At the end of WWI there were predictions that US would run out of domestic petroleum reserves in nine years. Prognostication such as this led future President and then current Secretary of Commerce, Herbert Hoover, to assign Walter Teagle, President of Standard Oil, to search overseas for new petroleum reserves.

Walter Teagle began courting Calouste Gulbenkian and TPC in 1920. It took nearly six years for a deal to be finalized. Gulbenkian was a patient businessman and believed time was on his side. The Turkish Petroleum Company, TPC, and its foreign partners were given exclusive rights to explore for oil in Mesopotamia in 1925. In 1926, exploration began and in 1927 oil was discovered near Kirkut, Iraq for the first time in the middle east. This first oil well was estimated to produce 90,000 bpd.

Shortly after the Kirkut oil discovery an agreement was reached among TPC partners. This became known as the **Red Line Agreement**. It is said that Gulbenkian drew a red line on a paper map around what was the Ottoman Empire prior to WWI. That red line included lands in Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Yemen and Israel, but not Kuwait or Persia. In this deal and others engineered by Gulbenkian, he was to receive a 5% commission. Calouste Gulbenkian became known as "*Mr. Five Percent*." He also became known as one of the wealthiest men in the world. Gulbenkian modestly stated that, "Better a small piece of a big pie, than a big piece of a small one."

A funny thing happened on the way to the Red Line Agreement. In 1926-7, oil was being discovered in Oklahoma and East Texas. Oil fields like Big Leg, Seminole, Bowlegs, Wink sprang up suddenly, Boom Towns, and people who moved from one boom town to the next were known as Boomers.

One of the biggest oil fields was in the East Texas town of Kilgore. The Kilgore field was only 10 miles wide and 45 miles long, but it was said that "oil was everywhere."

Big oil fields had been found in the US, but never had one been found like East Texas. At one-point, East Texas was providing ½ of U.S. consumption. It was so big that East Texas was called a Black Giant. Interestingly, the East Texas field had not been discovered and developed by "majors", but by independents and wildcatters. Production was unregulated. It was chaotic. At one point oil was \$.10 bbl and less. The roaring 1920s created a great demand, but the depression of 30's made demand stagnant. Majors had begun to ramp up production just in time for the depression, then Kilgore came online and shattered the supply and price curve.

This chaos was too much for the governors of OK & TX. They declared Marshall Law and brought in thousands of troops to temporarily close the oil fields by armed force. Marshall Law was only a temporary solution.

In Texas the Railroad Commission, RRC, was formed and began a system of prorating or quotas. For a short time, this stabilized prices, but they collapsed again. Many oil producers hated the prorating and they produced oil secretly and beyond their ration limits. There were instances of bbls hidden in pits and covered by tarps, then moved and sold under cover of night. This became known as "**hot oil**."

Kilgore and East Texas was the last hoorah for unregulated oil production in the U.S.



Photo courtesy of Wendy Sparks

February 28, 2023

Dear Central Region Members:

The Desk and Derrick Club of Butler County is excited to host the 2023 Central Region meeting and I am excited to be the General Arrangements Chairman. The official hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express located at 3100 W El Dorado Avenue. We are changing up the schedule this year to condense the time away from your families and busy schedule. Registration will begin at noon on Friday at the museum with a sandwich bar for lunch.

The field trip offered is a guided tour of the Kansas Oil Museum and then off to PK Safety for a tour of the Fabrication Shop. We will be carpooling to the fab shop 5 minutes across town. Please wear closed toed shoes for walking. Cost of the field trip is covered in the low low cost of registration.

Put on your creative caps, because Friday night you will be part of creating a masterpiece held at the Kansas Oil Museum. Get ready to expand your horizon and pick up a paint brush and a glass of wine to enjoy this experience with friends.

Saturday morning business meeting, Open Forum and our Awards Luncheon will be held in the Kansas Oil Museum. Immediately following the luncheon will be group photos and good byes for safe travels home. Attire for both days is casual, jeans are acceptable according to Val!

Please join us April 28-29th, for a jam packed 26 hours in El Dorado!

Sincerely,

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General Arrangement Chairman
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Lucky



Strike!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March
No Birthdays

April
04/06 Michelle Burgard
04/15 Gayle Junker



Jamie Gilmore
presents
Marcy Ebert
with the 50/50
winnings.

March 22, 2023 Membership Meeting

On The Border

120 South Meridian, Oklahoma City, OK

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

Cost \$20 Meeting Only: No Charge

Reservations must be received by noon on Friday, February 17, 2023

Payment Must Be Made For Reservation

Send Reservations to: Ann Nguyen E-mail: anguyen@eprod.com



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Picasso

All the words are hidden vertically, horizontally or diagonally—in both directions. The letters that remain unused form a sentence from left to right.

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LET'S LAUGH (or groan)

Q: What's the most popular dish at the church brunch?

A: Eggs Benediction.



Q: What do you get when you cross an airplane with a magician?

A: A flying sorcerer.



Q: What did the frog order at McDonald's?

A: French flies and a Diet Croak.



Q: How does a penguin build his house?

A: Igloos together.



Q: What do you call it when a cow and a chicken are angry at each other?

A: Roost beef.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar 25 International Waffle Day



Mar 30 Pencil Day



Mar 31 Dance Marathon Day

Apr 2 National PB&J Day



Apr 6 National No Housework Day

Apr 11 National Grilled Cheese Day



Apr 13 World Party Day



Apr 19 National Garlic Day

Apr 21 Bulldogs Are Beautiful Day



MARCH 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Horse Protection Day 	2	3	4
5	6	7 	8 International Women's Day	9	10 Mario Day 	11
12 	13	14 Potato Chip Day 	15	16	17 Happy Saint Patrick's Day 	18
19	20 Ravioli Day 	21	22 Members Meeting	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 Crayon Day 	

APRIL 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30						1
2	3	4	5	6	7 Good Friday 	8
9 Easter Sunday 	10	11	12	13	14 ARTICLES DUE BULLETIN	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 MEMBERS MEETING	27	28	29