

Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City

# DERRICK LIGHTS

## ANNUAL PRESIDENT’S REPORT

To start our year, January’s meeting was cancelled due to weather (snow and funky roads forecasted).

March is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month, and we celebrated our Club’s 71<sup>st</sup> birthday complete with birthday cake. Desk and Derrick Family Feud was again hotly contested between the Roughnecks and the Wildcatters answering Desk and Derrick and energy industry trivia questions.

April included viewing Episode 4 of *The Prize*. And, the day after membership meeting, five of us headed to El Dorado, KS for Central Region Meeting. The format of this meeting was a day shorter than in the past. We had a field trip on Friday, fun ice-breaker social Friday evening, business meeting Saturday morning, awards luncheon Saturday, and adjournment Saturday afternoon. And, we were home Saturday evening with half of our weekend still remaining. Our own Michelle Burgard was elected Central Region Director for 2024 and will preside next year at Central Region Meeting in Great Bend, KS. Let’s all plan on going.

June brought the Mid-Continent Oilmen’s Invitational Golf Tournament at Twin Hills Golf Club and our annual two day putting contest. It was HOT, and we were busy. Because so many members gave of their time, it was one of the more successful putting contests we’ve had in quite a while. For our June membership meeting, we tried to have a picnic, but, once again, the weather intervened (100 degrees). So, we had our Chik-Fil-A and meeting in Gungoll’s air-conditioned conference room. Jamie Sabata presented the adult version of the Magic Suitcase. It was a fun educational program and a different venue for our meeting.

For the second year, we took a summer hiatus in July and August.

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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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In September four members travelled to Albuquerque to represent our Club at the ADDC Educational Conference and Convention. Wendy Sparks accepted the gavel and will be ADDC's 2024 President. Central Region will host the 2024 Educational Conference and Convention which will be held in Dallas. Please mark September 24 – 28, 2024 on your calendars. Since our Club is in the Central Region, we will be participating in helping plan a successful event. Our September membership meeting featured another in-person speaker. Cecil Duke, founder and CEO of CWD Enterprises Inc., gave us a unique history of the oil and gas industry. The Executive Board, acting as the Nominating Committee, presented a slate of officers and directors for 2024.

October, November and December seem to be the busiest months of our year. Several of us represented ADDC and our Club at the Oil & Gas Expo earlier this month. We're having our Annual Meeting and election of officers and directors for 2024 this month. We have a fun and educational field trip to the Ardmore area scheduled for November 3. C P Energy will explain crude off loading, measurement, ticketing, etc. and will cook our lunch. We have invited members from the Graham, Lone Star, Tulsa and Wichita Falls Clubs to join us. I hope we have a large group taking advantage of this opportunity. Our November meeting will be a week early and our speaker is a woman we met at the Oil & Gas Expo. Leah Owens is a Business Development Specialist for Bromberg & Associates and will explain to us how their company helps bridge language barriers and communication in the global arena. Our December 13 meeting will include a representative from Dragonfly Home explaining their mission. We'll have a voluntary gift exchange and wish good will to all.



Jamie Gilmore and Michelle Burgard enjoying the meeting.



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***From the Editor,  
Ann Mefford***

*Hello Winter*

November is being so warm its hard to say good bye to summer. I love being out in the sunshine and soaking up the warm weather. All the signs are pointing to a snowy wet winter ahead. Time will tell.

In person speaker this month and talking about translating oil field lingo. That was something that took me a while to understand when I first started working in this field. I had a cheat sheet with words on it and it was helpful while I got my feet wet in the business. I find I am still learning new things in the oil field industry and there is a lot I still don't know. That's why its great when we get speakers who can grow our knowledge.

Enjoy the warm because winter is coming and it will be time for chili, soups and family get togethers soon.

Coffee mugs are perfect for warming cold hands and putting smiles on our faces.

*Ann*



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**Repeat**

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2022 President

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Greetings, Members!

Can you believe that it is already November, we've had our Annual Meeting, the election of 2024 officers and directors and we're getting close to wrapping this year up with a bow.

For those of you that missed our Field Trip on November 3, you were missed. We learned a lot plus had a delicious lunch. Thanks to those that were able to make the trip!

Don't forget that our meeting this month is a week early (November 15) due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Our speaker, Leah Owens, will talk about a subject that many of us have never thought about – translating oilfield lingo into different languages. This should be interesting!

Our December meeting will include a voluntary gift exchange with a set price of \$25 plus a program introducing us to Dragonfly Home's fight against human trafficking. Hope to see you there.

I am thankful for YOU! Happy Thanksgiving!

*Marsha*

*Everyday is a new opportunity"*  
from a Splenda packet



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November 2023

## Board of Directors

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Cobra Oil & Gas Corp.

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SECRETARY

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**Kelli Hiltbrand**

Sutton Pump & Supply

SOUTHEAST REGION DIRECTOR

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WEST REGION DIRECTOR

**Esther Greyeyes**

Merrion Oil & Gas Corp.

To: ADDC Membership

Plans for each of the 2024 Regional Meetings are already under way. You can mark your calendars now:

**Southeast Region Meeting** – April 17-14, 2024 – Virtual – A reception (meeting) will be the day before 2024 ADDC Convention starts.

**Central Region Meeting** – April 26 – April 28, 2024 – Great Bend, KS

**West Region Meeting** – April 18 – 20, 2024 – Corpus Christi, TX

**Northeast Region Meeting** – May 15 – 18, 2024 – Canonsburg, PA

Wendy Sparks is looking for volunteers for Region Representatives for various Committees in 2024. Contact Wendy and she will be able to tell you what committees she still needs help filling. I have already signed up to be the 2024 Leadership Chairman. I am excited about what 2024 will offer our organization and our membership!

The ADDC Board voted to alter the dates concerning the AIMEEs. The AIMEE category submittals dates for 2023 will encompass January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

The **deadline for AIMEE submittals will be 11:59PM, January 15, 2024**, via electronic submittal. Please make note of these changes.

The Program Committee and the ADDC Board reviewed and approved the first set of videos to be uploaded to the ADDC website. You can find them under Committees, Program, Videos and Podcasts. We will add more videos and podcasts in the coming months.

Clubs will be electing their officers for 2024. Club Presidents, please remember to fill out the New Officer Form (ADO31) and send original to the ADO office or email to [ado@addc.org](mailto:ado@addc.org), send a copy to your Regional Director-Elect, and keep a copy for your files. This form is due immediately after the election of officers so the 2024 Board and ADO will be prepared for next year.

The 2022 FRC is continuing their review of the 2022 ADDC Financials. The committee hopes to have it completed by mid-November.

**"I learned to always take on things I'd never done before. Growth and comfort do not coexist." ~ Ginni Rometty.**

**Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service**

*Barbara Pappas*

## Central Region Director's Newsletter



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NOVEMBER 2023

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Greetings Central Region Members,

I hope you all are doing well and gearing up for the Holiday season. Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and I hope all of you get to spend time with family and friends. This time of year is my favorite.

Congratulations to all the new club officers on your election for 2024. Please send your ADO 31 Club Officers form to ADO, Michelle Burgard, Wendy Sparks, and me as soon as you have it filled out.

We also have a request from Wendy Sparks, 2024 ADDC President, for ADDC Committee Reps. All the Chairmen positions are filled. So, I am listing the committees for you to volunteer as a rep: Club Bylaws Review, Guidelines Review, Education/Certification, Membership, Program, Public Relations, Rules, Tax Exempt-US, Contest, Leadership, Marketing, Registrar and Technology. Each one of these committees is a vital part of ADDC and we need you to volunteer. Do not worry about not knowing what to do on a committee, the chairman will help and there is a listing on the ADDC website explaining each committee requirements.

As it is, we are getting ready to head into a new year. Our Association is strong and will survive. Our numbers are down a bit, but we have a great new Board of Directors ready to take over the reigns of the Association. Wendy Sparks of the Oklahoma City Club will be the 2024 ADDC President, Kathy Martin of the Lafayette Club will be the 2024 ADDC President Elect, Kelli Hiltbrand will be the 2024 ADDC Secretary, Sue Weaver of the San Antonio Club will be the 2024 ADDC Treasurer, Barbara Pappas of the Wichita Falls Club will be the 2024 ADDC Immediate Past ADDC President, Michelle Burgard of the Oklahoma City Club will be the 2024 ADDC Central Region Director, Shelly Hildebrand, Tri-State Club will be the 2024 ADDC Northeast Region Director, Angie Corvers of the Baton Rouge Club will be the 2024 ADDC Southeast Region Director, and Heather Woods of the Farmington Club will be the 2024 ADDC West Region Director.

I want to take a moment to congratulate all the winners in the AIMEE Contest this year. Our Region took home the majority of AIMEES. Our clubs also received several DSA and SAA Awards for their work.

Thank you all for your support this year and most of all THANK YOU FOR BEING MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF DESK AND DERRICK CLUBS. CENTRAL REGION MEMBERS ROCK!

Until next month,

Val

## CARTER COUNTY FIELD TRIPPIN'

By: Marsha Gentry

Friday, November 3, 2023 was a perfectly wonderful weather day for a field trip. So, off eight of us went to the Ardmore area to learn a little more about our industry. Michelle Burgard, along with guests Vivian Guan and Wendy Wilkinson, Tim Parrish, Marcy Ebert, Debi Sheline and I met up with Wichita Falls Desk and Derrick Club President, Sheila McGaughey, at the Flying J Truck Stop, located on the north side of Ardmore, and headed west to C P Energy LLC's Wasson Station. There we met up with C P Energy representatives Barry, Mike and Nick.

The Wasson Station is where the C P Energy tank trucks off load their product. The station consists of twelve 400 barrel storage tanks. Four tank trucks can off load their product at the same time. Our "product hauler" was Nick who was getting ready to off load his third load of the day (he started at 3:00 a.m.). Nick rigged up the hose and started off loading the oil while he, Mike and Barry explained the process of "working" the oil prior to picking it up at its original location.

Nick's truck contains many instruments that you might find in a chemistry classroom. He uses a Plumb Bob to measure the amount of product in the tank. He then uses a Woodback to check the temperature of the product in the middle of the tank. He uses a "Thief" to capture samples of the product that he then puts in a beaker and processes for 5 minutes in the centrifuge attached to his truck "lab" to check the purity of the product. His lab also consists of various hydrometers that he uses to check temperature and gravity of the product. All this information is used to determine the value of the product and is included on the run ticket turned in at the time the product is off loaded.



Mike, Marcy, Debi, Tim, Michelle, Vivian, Wendy, Marsha, Sheila, Nick

As the oil is off loaded, it first goes to one of the two northwest tanks. These two tanks each contain a mixer to keep the product from settling. From there, the product is moved to one of the other tanks and then to the L.A.C.T. unit – Lease Automatic Custody Transfer unit. This equipment receives oil from the tanks, processes it, measures it, includes all kinds of safety features, then sends the product up the hill to go into the pipeline, then on to the refinery.

We all had many questions, and these gentlemen were very patient and answered every one of them in language we could understand. Many thanks to them!

Next, we got in our vehicles and drove east into Ardmore to C P Energy’s yard where Chance had prepared a hamburger (with all the fixings) feast for us. They were excellent hamburgers, beans, etc.! As an added treat, the President of C P Energy, LLC, John Caldwell, drove down from their Edmond headquarters to have lunch with us. He encouraged us to keep doing what we’re doing. He said that in order for our country to continue to flourish, it needs a strong energy industry.

What a great learning experience for us. This was such an informative field trip that we all enjoyed! Thanks to C P Energy, LLC!

BUT, we weren’t quite finished. We remembered our September speaker, Cecil Duke, telling us about the Oil Patch Warrior Statue in downtown Ardmore. So, while we were there, we just went! This statue represents the men from Ardmore who worked a top secret mission in England in World War II. This statue is a replica of the original statue located in Nottinghamshire, England.

All in all, it was a great day!



C P Energy’s Wasson Station



Nick w/Thief (and Tim)





Mike explaining the L.A.C.T.



Certificate of Appreciation to Barry Matney



Oil Patch Warrior Statue

## WE HAVE AN ELECTION

Officers and Directors for 2024 were elected at our October Membership Meeting.

Serving on our 2024 Executive Board will be:

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|----------------|------------------|
| President      | Tim Parrish      |
| Vice-President | Michelle Burgard |
| Secretary      | Wendy Sparks     |
| Treasurer      | Marsha Gentry    |
| Directors      | Marcy Ebert      |
|                | Jamie Gilmore    |
|                | Jamie Sabata     |



2024 President Tim Parrish



**Lucky**



**Strike!**



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**November**

- 11/02 Marcy Ebert**
- 11/02 Ginna Hawthorne**
- 11/27 Wendy Sparks**

**December**

- 12/01 Ann Nguyen**
- 12/15 Jamie Sabata**



No October birthdays but, Ann Mefford received the 50/50 winnings from Jamie Gilmore.

November 15, 2023 Membership Meeting

**On the Border**

**120 S. Meridian Ave, Oklahoma City, OK**

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

Cost \$20 Meeting Only: No Charge

Leah Owens, our speaker will talk about translating oil field lingo.

**Reservations must be received by noon on Monday, November 13, 2023**

Payment Must Be Made For Reservation



**LET'S LAUGH (or groan)**

Q: What does a dolphin say when it's confused?  
 A: Can you be more Pacific.

Q: What did the iceberg say to his dad?  
 A: You're the coolest!

Q: Why shouldn't you loan money to an elf?  
 A: Because they're always short.



Q: Who's the snowman's favorite rapper?  
 A: Ice-Cube

Q: What do you call Santa when he's on a break?  
 A: Santa-pause



**DATES TO REMEMBER**





- Nov. 10 Vanilla Cupcake Day 
- Nov. 15 Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day
- Nov. 21 World Hello Day
- Nov. 26 Cake Day
- Nov. 28 Red Planet Day 
- Dec. 1 Eat a Red Apple Day 
- Dec. 3 Peppermint Bark Cheesecake Day
- Dec. 4 Pear Day 
- Dec. 6 Microwave Oven Day
- Dec. 8 Brownie Day
- Dec. 10 Lager Day 
- Dec. 11 Have a Bagel Day
- Dec. 12 Ambrosia Day

**\*Thanksgiving Word Search\***

Find the words below.

P J E F E I P N A C E P H D C T L W P A  
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 P Q A N A Y T R H I K U R I F N V Q C I  
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| NOVEMBER | TURKEY     | STUFFING    |
| HAM      | PUMPKINPIE | CRANBERRIES |
| POTATOES | PECANPIE   | PILGRIMS    |
| THANKFUL | MAYFLOWER  | CORN        |
| DINNER   | FAMILY     | FEAST       |
| PARADE   | THANKFUL   |             |

NOVEMBER 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 Bulletin Articles Due	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11 
12	13	14	15 Membership Meeting	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 		

DECEMBER 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Bulletin Articles Due	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Membership Meeting	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 <b>Merry Christmas</b>	26	27	28	29	30
31						