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Outline

President's Letter

Dear Members,

I can hardly believe it is already September. How quickly the year is passing. In two weeks, a number of your fellow members and I will be in Calgary at the ADDC Convention. It looks like it will be a great convention and we are all looking forward to seeing our friends and colleagues from across the two nations.

We had a very good 2010 ADDC General Arrangements Committee meeting on August 22. Plans are firming up and we'll be giving you an update on those plans at the September membership meeting. You'll also have an opportunity to see the presentation that will be made at the ADDC Convention in Calgary at this meeting.

We'll be asking for more volunteers for each of the committees. It is vital to the success of the 2010 Convention that every one of our members participates. There are many small and large jobs that will need to be done, both before the convention and during it. We'll have a list for each committee at the meeting and encourage you to sign up. If you won't be able to attend, please contact me and I'll get you in touch with the appropriate committee. **THE HOUSTON CLUB NEEDS YOU!**

Carolyn Campbell or one of the other Nominating Committee members is searching for candidates for the Houston Club's 2010 Board of Directors. This is your opportunity to learn more about how the club works and to make a substantial contribution in directing the future of this great organization. I encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and get more involved.

Our Social Committee is in the midst of putting the plans together for our annual Camaraderie. Mark your calendars now for the first Saturday in December and make sure that your friends and family have that date reserved, too. More information will be coming soon.

See you next week.

Pat



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ADDCC President's Newsletter

September 2009

Greetings Members,

Can you believe that it is September already?! I truly can't. This year is flying by so quickly and we are now leaving Summer behind, prepping for (or possibly just returning from) Convention and gearing up to head full force into the next year. The Alberta Foothills Club has been working diligently in anticipation of your arrival ... I know that no one will be disappointed. We will have lots of updates for you in the October letters!

It is now my pleasure to announce that we (the ADDC Board and ADO) have cooked up a fabulous deal for all our clubs. September is the time for schools to be back in session and all those wonderful young minds are longing for knowledge. In an effort to help fill those minds, and to help our economically challenged clubs, we've decided to have a "Back to School" special pricing event for our Energy Activity Books! We've got them, the schools need them, and our Clubs love to help the kids ... what could be better? So, from mid August through October 1, 2009 (orders must be received on or before October 1 in order to be eligible) this limited time only special pricing will be available only to Desk and Derrick Clubs, not outside purchasers. The sale prices are \$1.50 for the Spanish and \$2.00 for the English (US) and Metric (Canadian) versions – in addition, for this limited time, we will also offer **free shipping!** Team this up with the soon to be released EAB Teaching Guide and it's a fabulous opportunity.

It's not too late for each of you to consider what your role will be in the future of ADDC. Are you currently serving on your local club board or at least serving on a committee? Have you tried volunteering for an ADDC committee? If you have already served as a club president have you considered running for the position of Regional Director? Already gone that route, too? Then maybe running for an Association Office is in your future. Or if you feel you've served in all the offices you care to assume, how about taking on the equally challenging role of mentor to new members. Most of us would not be where we are today without the guidance and assistance from those willing to share their knowledge and experience. We have plenty of opportunities available on all levels for members willing to step up and accept the challenge.

Now ... for those reading this letter before making the trek to Calgary, let me tantalize you once more before you leave. Look forward to beautiful country, educational field trips and fabulous seminars, in addition to previewing the new teaching guide and hearing what some of your ADDC committees have been working on this year, an exciting election, wonderful speakers and spending time with some of the greatest people in the world – D&D members!

Have an amazing September!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Regina".

Great ability develops and reveals itself increasingly with every new assignment. Baltasar Gracian

Candidates for 2010 ADDC Office

The 2009 ADDC Nominating Committee has submitted the following list of candidates for 2010 Officers of the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs.

Office	Name	Club	Region
President Elect	Angie Duplessis	Westbank Club	III
Vice President	Judi Adams	Houston Club	IV
Secretary	Marilyn Carter	Alberta Foothills Club	VII
	Christine Wolfe	Buckeye Club	I
Treasurer	Linda Clark	Farmington Club	V
	Melinda Montgomery	North Harris/Montgomery Counties Club	IV

The Slate of Candidates will be officially presented and voted on at the 2009 Convention in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

A Candidates' Caucus will be held immediately following the Pre-Convention meeting, providing an opportunity to learn more about each of the candidates.

The Candidates' Qualifications and Goals are available on the Association Web site.

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>Board Meeting</i>	3	4	5
6	7 <i>Labor Day</i>	8	9 <i>Membership Meeting Linda Butler</i>	10	11 <i>Patriot Day</i>	12
13 <i>Grandparent Day</i>	14	15	16	17 <i>Kimberly Ray</i>	18	19 <i>Talk Like a Pirate Day</i>
20	21	22 <i>1st Day of Fall</i>	23	24	25	26
27 <i>Laura Davis</i>	28 <i>Jackie Garcia</i>	29	30	Flower: Aster Birthstone: Sapphire		



Region IV Director's Newsletter

September



**Sharing a Golden Link
of Knowledge**

“The greatest people who ever lived would love to be you because you have the opportunity to be even greater.”

--- Author Unknown

Summer is almost over and signs of autumn are beginning to appear. As I write this letter I am making mental notes of things to pack for the trip to the ADDC Convention in Calgary. I hope to see a lot of Region IV members enjoying the sights of our northern neighbors.

Speaking of Region IV members, around forty five were together at the Town Hall Meeting held at the East Texas Oil and Gas Museum in Kilgore on August 8th. The members of the Tyler Club did an outstanding job of making us feel welcomed, and making sure we were comfortable. For those who arrived Friday afternoon they had the privilege of enjoying a wonderful dinner at the Country Tavern, which is known for its fabulous Bar Be Que. We were not disappointed. The only problem, after stuffing ourselves, for those of us who are height challenged, we had to figure out how to climb into our beds. The rooms at the Holiday Inn Express were awesome and the beds were fit for a queen, except the top of the mattress was about three and a half feet from the floor, but hey, we were up to the challenge and I understand everyone had a good night's sleep. We awoke to a beautiful sunny day that was filled with lots of activity. Everyone gathered at the Museum and the meeting got underway as scheduled, business went fast as did the open forum discussion. During the open forum discussion Vicki Newman raised the question as to changing the name of the Region IV Meeting to the Region IV Conference. After some research and discussion it was concluded that there was nothing in the Region IV Resolution or the ADDC Bylaws that would prohibit the change. So effective in 2010 we will have the Region IV Conference. After adjourning the Town Hall Meeting, we moved right into the Field Trip/Seminar Committee Meeting. Donna Taylor explained the purpose of the committee, followed by the election of a new chairman, Connie Harrison from the San Antonio Club and vice chairman, Terry Ligon of the Graham Club. There was some discussion about plans for the 2010 Region Conference activities. Connie will be contacting Region IV members for your input as to the types of field trips and seminars that interest you the most. Please take time to respond to her questions as the Region IV Conference is for your educational benefit. During our lunch, Joe White the Curator of the Museum showed us a couple of very good videos and explained, with passion, the plans for expanding the Museum.

I want to apologize to the Region IV Clubs and all members of Region IV as it appears that I am not going to make my goal of visiting each club at least once this year. Unexpected things have happened in my life this year and my time is limited as to how much I can travel. I still plan to get to several clubs before the year is over, but do not make any promises. I just hope you will allow me to visit at another time, if I don't get to your club this year.

As I stated at the beginning of this letter I have started preparing for the ADDC Convention, which means gathering reports and preparing for Convention assignments, so I must move on.

See you in Calgary.

Lois

RULES OF 2009 CONVENTION

1. The Bylaws and Standing Rules of the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs shall govern the affairs of the Convention, and the latest edition of ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED shall be the parliamentary authority for all rules not covered by the Association Bylaws and Standing Rules.
2. All convention meal functions, business, plenary sessions, workshops, and seminars shall be non-smoking. Members in attendance at the above functions shall turn off all cell phones and pagers.
3. Members are requested to be in their seats at least five (5) minutes before the opening of each meeting and shall not leave the hall during any meeting, except in an emergency. Leaving and returning shall be in a quiet and orderly manner.
4. A section in the front of the hall shall be reserved for delegates and alternates. The delegate shall wear the numbered delegate badge and the alternate shall be seated with the delegate. Should it become necessary for the delegate or alternate to leave during a business meeting, each shall report to a representative of the Credentials Committee on leaving and returning. All exits and re-entries made by a delegate and/or alternate shall be reported by a Credentials Committee representative to the Association Secretary. When a delegate leaves the meeting, the numbered delegate badge shall be relinquished to the alternate, and the alternate shall assume the duties of the delegate until the delegate returns.
5. Should an Association Board member find it necessary to leave during a business meeting, the Association Secretary shall be notified.
6. All motions shall be in writing using the official motion forms obtained from the ADDC Secretary. A signed copy shall be delivered to the President, Secretary, and, when the Rules Committee Report is under consideration, the Chairman of the Rules Committee.
7. Rule of Debate:
 - A. A delegate shall go to the nearest microphone, state his/her name and the name of his/her club. The delegate may speak when recognized by the President.
 - B. Debate shall be limited to ten (10) minutes on each pending question.
 - C. A delegate or member of the Association Board may speak twice on each debatable motion, and not more than two (2) minutes each time unless debate has been extended by vote of the delegates.
 - D. Should a member, who is not a delegate or Association Board member, wish to speak on a question, the member shall be recognized by the President and must receive permission from the delegates. The member may then speak ONCE for two (2) minutes on any debatable question.
 - E. A timekeeper, appointed by the President, will indicate when a member's allotted time to speak has expired.
8. The presentation of bids for Convention shall be limited to a total of thirty (30) minutes, to be divided equally among the bidders.
9. Voting for Association Officers shall be by preferential ballot, and the President shall announce the time and instructions for the election. The Tally Committee shall count the ballots and submit a written report to the President and the Association Secretary. The President shall announce the results of the voting to the assembly. A copy of the Tally Committee's report and the ballots shall be sealed and given to the Association Secretary.
10. Unless otherwise determined by general consent or vote of the delegates, all other votes shall be taken by rising vote.
11. No Convention discussion or actions shall be released to the press except through the ADDC Public Relations Committee.

Camaraderie 2009!

It's not too early to start planning for the event this year! Mark your calendar for December 5th and start saving your \$\$\$ so you can win big at our silent auction.

Do you have items to donate for the silent auction? Let Valanta Taveirne know - she will arrange to get them from you, or you can bring items to the membership meetings in September, October, and November! Crafts, jewelry, home-baked goods, and home décor items are very popular - so clean out your closets or pick something up at a good sale and help out a good cause.

The Camaraderie Flyer soon will be sent to members via e-mail (and regular mail for those who don't have e-mail) and will be posted on the club's Web site - be sure to look for it and get your reservations in early.

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- How to photograph your dog or cat: get down on their level, use flash outdoors, take multiple poses of your pet, use a squeaky toy to get their attention and make sure your pet is happy.
- How to photograph sunrises/sunsets: use a tripod to stabilize your camera during the long exposures and use your camera's exposure lock if you have it.
- How to photograph flowers: photograph on an overcast day (the bright sun will wash out the colors), get down to their level and shoot straight on instead of from above and try to avoid taking pictures when it is windy (the flowers will be blurry).

MARKET WATCH: Oil drops below \$70/bbl as Asian markets crumble

HOUSTON, Sept. 1 -- Crude prices dropped 4% on Aug. 31, wiping out gains for the month on the New York market in response to a 6.7% decline in the China Shanghai Composite Index as Asian equities fell overnight.

"The Chinese market has fallen 23% since Aug. 4 but is still up 46.5% year-to-date," said analysts at Pritchard Capital Partners LLC, New Orleans.

Analysts in the Houston office of Raymond James & Associates Inc. reported crude prices were relatively flat in early trading Sept. 1.

Olivier Jakob at Petromatrix in Zug, Switzerland, noted, "It is always difficult to properly analyze a violent market movement when one side of the Atlantic is on holiday." Aug. 31 marked the summer bank holiday in the UK. "One thing for sure," said Jakob, "is that...West Texas Intermediate was not trading its correlation to the dollar index as crude oil and the dollar were being sold at the same time." The dollar index was down 0.2% Aug. 31.

Jakob said, "The buzz is now about the crude oil correlation to the Shanghai Index, but we will be prudent in trading a correlation to such a volatile index that can be at times very dependent purely of liquidity issues."

Source: OGJ 9/1/09

August Speaker Recap - by Judi Adams

At our August meeting, we got a two-fer special: yes, two speakers instead of one. We started off with an introduction to the business of Planet Resource Recovery, Inc. by Kurt Neubauer. Kurt is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Office of Planet Resource Recovery, Inc. which he founded in 2005. The company has a laboratory in Pearland and has developed a proprietary platform of products based on a core technology known as PetroLuxus™. These products are comprised of a series of compounds with a wide array of applications, all of which benefit from their unique ability to dislodge hydrocarbons from organic and inorganic materials.

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Enrique Salina, who serves on the Board of Directors and is President of Oil Recovery Ventures, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, further enlightened our members and guests about this product.

Using a demonstration kit (see photo), Enrique enlisted Pat Cook to assist with the demonstration of this product. Starting with an empty bottle, Enrique poured the solid tar sands material into the bottom. Pat then added the PetroLuxus™ solution and water to the bottle and almost immediately you could see the reaction as the trapped oil was being released from the solid matter. Tests have shown 100-500% increases in production when PetroLuxus™ is used in wells. Impacting the viscosity of the oil increases the flow-ability of thick, heavy oil and bonds with metallurgy, which can reduce down-hole equipment corrosion.

It is known that there are over 400,000 stripper wells in the U.S. - wells that produce less than 10 barrels of oil/day. Using PetroLuxus™ can dramatically increase production and recovery from these wells and increase calculated available hydrocarbon reserves.

Following the demonstration and a few questions and answers between the audience and speakers, Pat Cook presented certificates of appreciation to our speakers and informed them that a donation will be made in their honor to the ADDC Foundation and to the Educational Trust.



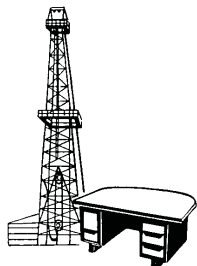
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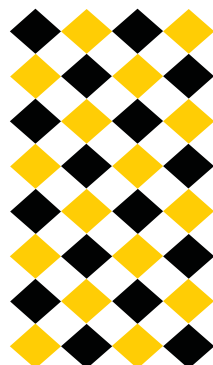
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2010 Convention	Pat Cook
Golf Tournament	Barbara Landrum/June Rogers
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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Doubletree Guest Suites – Galleria
 5353 Westheimer Road, Houston TX

September 9, 2009 6:00 p.m.
 “We’re All in This Together” - Putting on
 2010 Convention
 Speakers: 2010 GAC Pat Cook and
 Convention Committee Chairmen

October 14, 2009 6:00 p.m.
 “How to Improve Your Photos”
 Speaker: Mark “Ski” Struczewski
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 (<http://www.photographybyski.com>)

NOTICE:

Our contract with the Double Tree Guest Suites guarantees our parking at \$1.00. Please note that this is NOT included in your dinner fee, and you will need to have this amount ready to give to the parking garage attendant when exiting the parking garage.