
January Meeting Notice

Date: January 11, 2012

Location: Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel, 9999 Westheimer

Time: 5:30 (sign in); 6:00 Business Meeting

Speaker: Joel Battle, IV

Topic: Combating Terrorism—Dept. of Homeland Security

Reservations: Joel Battle—joelbattle@comcast.net

Bridging the Gap -

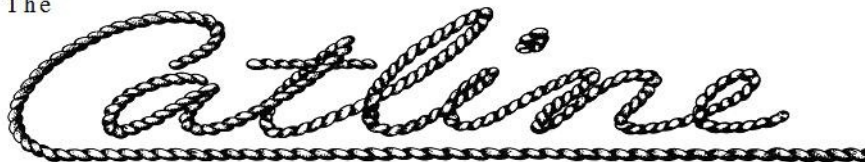


Generations, Old and New

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President's Message

Happy New Year!

The 2012 theme will be "Bridging the Gap - Generations, Old and New."

I want to thank the 2011 Board for doing an outstanding job and I look forward to working with the 2012 Board and the rest of the members.

The Houston, Texas club is honored to have the 2012 ADDC President Judi Adams and the 2012 Region IV Director Judy Lile as members. This is a rare treat.

I also want to thank Judi Adams for serving as the Installation Officer.

I encourage members to invite your friends, co-workers, and family members to our busi-

ness meetings and scheduled events. The business meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at the Hilton Westchase at 6:00 p.m. By participating in these meetings and scheduled events you will have the benefit of improving your skills, and visiting with the old and new generation members.

The speaker for the January 11, 2012 meeting will be Joel Battle IV; yes this is the son of Joel Battle, club member and currently serving as Director.

If you have any ideas for events, speakers, suggestions, etc., please send an email to me at kimberly-ray1984@yahoo.com.

By now you should have your membership

renewal form; please return the form and your check to Judi Adams by February 1, 2012.

Upcoming events for 2012: Bowling for Beef February 4; Region IV Meeting in Fort Worth, TX on May 2-6; International ADDC Convention in Oklahoma City, OK on September 19-23; and Camaraderie in December. Hopefully, as time goes on we will have more events scheduled.

Let us all work on "Bridging the Gap - Generations, Old and New."

Kimberly

2012 D&D Membership Renewals

Happy New Year!

It's time to renew your membership in the Desk and Derrick Club of Houston, Texas. Membership renewal forms were distributed at the December membership meeting and mailed to all current members in late December.

Renewal dues for 2012 are \$58, payable to The Desk and Derrick Club of Houston, Texas. The dues breakdown is: ADDC—\$45; Region IV—\$3; Houston- \$10.

The deadline for sending in your dues to maintain continuous membership is Janu-

ary 31, 2012. After that, membership is cancelled and you are treated as a "new member." If you have any questions about renewing, please contact Membership Chairman Judi Adams: (dandd.judi@gmail.com/832-337-1632).

ADDC President's Newsletter



Welcome to 2012! The ADDC Board is eager to start working with the members of the Association as we traverse the **Crossroads of Energy**.

The Budget and Planning Meeting is the Board's first order of business as we start the new year. This is the time for each ADDC officer and committee to submit plans for the upcoming year. Please take the time to share your thoughts, suggestions, and concerns with your Region Director or any member of the Board so that your ideas can be considered during the meeting.

With Desk and Derrick, we are each afforded many opportunities to increase our knowledge of the energy industry. The more you participate in your club, region, and Association activities, the more value you will derive from your membership. Attending your club's activities – monthly meetings with industry speakers, field trips, and seminars, and attending Region Meeting and Convention – will provide so many crossroads to travel. Each one leads you to another level, another road, another adventure in your life.



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I'm sure when it was first introduced it was strongly embraced and perhaps we should now pursue this motto to a greater extent. As we gain the greater knowledge, we are indeed able to provide greater service to our employers and the energy industry. But, we're also then able to be of greater service to ourselves. How many of us have received AIMEE awards based on the knowledge we gained through D&D? How many have gotten job promotions or changes to a better or more challenging position with your employer because of that knowledge? Use these opportunities available through your

membership to gain the greater knowledge that can serve you in your career.

A big "THANK YOU" goes out to the committee chairmen for 2012. Without these volunteers and the Region Representatives, much of the Association business would not be done.

Club Bylaws Review – Lynda Middlecalf
Education - Karol Wood/Marie Wilkinson
Membership - Barb Schaefer
Program - Betty Wajda
Public Relations - Tammy Brewer
Rules - Val Blanchard
Tax Exempt U.S. - Vicki Newman
Tax Exempt-Canada - Brian Carter
ADDC Manuals Review - Misty Hendricks
Certification - Linda Gau
Contest - Cindy Miller
Credentials - Maureen McClean
DDJ - Donna Hartig
EAB2 - Marilyn Carter/Connie Harrison
Leadership Resource - David Willis
Long Range Planning - Mary T Vaughn
Nominating - Reginia Garner
Publications - Julie Wagner
Scrapbook - Glenda Gaither
Tally - Bonnie Fish
Trade Show U.S. - Barbara Landrum
Winning Image Photo - Becky Perez

It is an honor and privilege to serve the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs as President in 2012 and I thank you for entrusting this honor to me. I will do my absolute best to represent each member of the Association – because it is you the member that makes this Association what it is.

The Crossroads of Energy lie ahead of us – Join me on our D&D adventures.

Region IV Director's Newsletter

Dear Region IV Members:

It's 2012 and we have a year filled with opportunities ahead of us. I am honored and proud to be serving as your Region IV Director. Thank you for allowing me this exciting opportunity! My theme this year is *Staying the Course: Education and Growth*.

I want to congratulate our 2012 club presidents and their board members for the commitment they have made to Desk and Derrick by serving their Club. The 2012 Presidents for Region IV are as follows:

Corpus Christi	Kim Sturgis
Dallas	Mary T. Vaughan
Ft. Worth	Michaela Greer
Graham	Barbara Daily
Houston	Kimberly Ray
NHMC	Laurie Stanfield
San Antonio	Kathy Johnson
Tyler	Patricia Forrest
Victoria	Carolyn Billington
Wise County	Connie Bass

January is the month to focus on getting your completed renewal into ADO. It is also a good time to think about your programs for the year. If you have had an interesting program topic or speaker in the past, think about sharing with other clubs in our region. That's a great way for us all to benefit from one club's experience. The Region IV Program Committee representative is Rae Wertz and she needs your club's monthly report within 10 days of your meeting.

The Budget and Planning Meeting will be held January 20th and 21st in Houston, Texas this year. If you have any questions, suggestions or clarifications you would like addressed at the meeting, please ask your Club president to pass them on to me.

Proposed Amendments to the Association's Bylaws and Standing Rules are due to the ADDC Rules Committee no later than February 10, 2012. The 2012 Chairman is Val Blanchard in Region III.

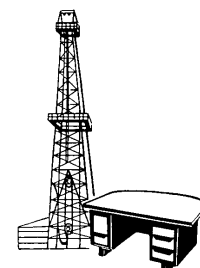
The Desk and Derrick Club of Fort Worth is hosting our Region IV meeting this year in Fort Worth. The meeting is Thursday, May 3rd through Saturday night, May 5th. They have some great field trips and seminars planned for the meeting. You'll be hearing more soon.

Until next month,

Judy



Judy Lile
 Region IV Director
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Dear Members,

We are still in need of Region Representatives for a number of ADDC Committees in all regions **except Region II**.

Please consider stepping up to volunteer to serve in one of these positions, which provide a liaison between the ADDC Committee Chairman and your Region. Many of these committees require only that you read a report at your Region Meeting on behalf of the ADDC Committee; some do require working with the committee chairman to develop ideas and prepare reports for your region's activities.

Volunteers needed:

Committee	Reg I	Reg III	Reg IV	Reg V	Reg VI	Reg VII
Club Bylaws Review	X	X	X	X	X	X
Education	X	X				X
Membership		X	X	X	X	X
Program		X			X	
Public Relations	X	X		X	X	
Rules			X		X	X
ADDG Manuals Review	X	X	X		X	X
Certification	X	X	X			X
Contest		X		X	X	X
Credentials		X			X	
DDJ						
Leadership Resources	X	X		X		
Long Range Planning	X	X		X		X
Nominating	X	X				
Publications		X	X	X	X	X
Scrapbook				X	X	X
Tally	X					

If you would like more information about these committees, please contact me directly. If you are interested in serving, please contact your 2012 Region Director.

Regards,



Member Updates

It was nice to see Elizabeth Angelos and Faye Stanley at the 2011 Camaraderie after being laid up.

Please keep Doris Riette in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers from her accident in December 2011. If you would like to send a card, call, or visit her, her address

and phone number are:

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7480 Beechnut - Room 734
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January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

- 2 Teresa Schmidt
- 14 Pansy Connor
- 17 Lurl Andrus
- 24 Judy Battle
- 31 Marie Wilkinson



Like Oil, Volunteers are a Natural Resource

Committees are normally made up of at least three members and should meet regularly to make decisions about the direction of the organization or group.

Please volunteer to be chairman for either the Education, Nominating, or Scrapbook/

Photography committees.

Please also volunteer to help out with the other committees; Audit/Tally, Contact, History, Membership, Program, Public Relations/Club Sales, Publications, Rules, and Social.

If you are interested in volunteering to chair

or work as a member of any committee, please contact Club President Kimberly Ray via e-mail at kimberly-ray1984@yahoo.com.



Bowling for Beef—February 4, 2012

Barbara Landrum has once again secured two teams of six volunteers to participate in the annual Bowling for Beef event.

This is an annual volunteer opportunity for our club members

and friends, who pay \$25/person to bowl a round. The proceeds benefit the Steer Starlettes (subcommittee of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo). The Starlettes raise money for the Steer Auction

and educational endeavors.

If you have enough folks (six) for another team, please let Barbara Landrum know ASAP so she can sign you up!



Texas Oil Production Great for State's Economy, Tax Collections



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Texas crude oil and natural gas producers are leading a historic expansion of domestic supplies, which is having a huge impact on the state's economy and tax collections.

"We are witnessing a stunning crude oil renaissance in Texas and across the U.S., and the state and the nation are clearly better for it," petroleum economist Karr Ingham said following the release of numbers from the Texas Petro Index for October and the office of Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

The Texas Petro Index climbed another 2.8 points to 253.0, registering the largest month-to-month increase since last spring.

"The expansion of North American crude oil reserves is clearly shifting the supply picture from reliance on unstable regions to much more stable and politically predictable sources," Ingham said.

"The turnaround in the supply picture is staggering, and was largely unfathomable just a few short years ago." Ingham added. "This is what the

industry is capable of when it is turned loose to do its job."

A composite index based upon a comprehensive group of upstream economic indicators, the Texas Petro Index (TPI) increased in October for the 22nd consecutive month to 253.0, from a low in December 2009 of 186.6. The TPI peaked at 286.0 in September and October 2008.

Among leading TPI indicators during October: Crude oil production in Texas totaled an estimated 38.2 million barrels, nearly 1.5 million barrels (3.1 percent) more than in October 2010. The value of Texas-produced crude oil totaled an estimated \$3.16 billion, 8.8 percent more than the same month last year.

Estimated Texas natural gas output was nearly 576.8 billion cubic feet, a year-over-year monthly decline of more than 10 percent. With natural gas prices in October trailing prices in October 2010 by about 2.4 percent, the value of Texas-produced gas declined 12.1 percent to about \$2.13 billion.

The Baker Hughes count of active drilling rigs in Texas averaged 914, 27.5 percent more than in October 2010. Drilling activity in Texas peaked in September 2008 at a monthly average of 946 rigs.

The number of Texans on oil and gas industry payrolls appeared to reach a record high in October for the fourth consecutive month, according to the Texas Workforce Commission, totaling an estimated 237,800. Until the past four months, the previous high - an estimated 223,200 workers following a revision to reflect new industry employment data for 2009 and 2010 - occurred in October 2008.

The increase oil and gas activity has sparked a surprising increase in tax revenues that has made the Texas comptroller predict a billion dollar increase in revenues.

The comptroller's latest estimate predicts a \$1.6 billion increase than was budgeted for 2012-13, the two-year budget that started Sept. 1.

Through the first three months of fiscal 2012, sale tax revenues are up 13.2 percent. During fiscal 2011 (Sept. 1, 2010, to Aug. 31, 2011), sales taxes increased 9.4 percent over fiscal 2010.

Oil and gas production taxes increased 46 percent and 53 percent, respectively, in fiscal 2011 over fiscal 2010.

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US Environmental Groups Challenge Gulf Oil-Drilling Lease Auction

Environmental groups are challenging the first auction of oil-drilling leases to be held in the Gulf of Mexico since the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

In a complaint filed Tuesday in a federal court, the groups said the U.S. government didn't weigh the lessons of the 2010 oil spill when calculating the risks of new drilling activity.

The auction being

challenged is scheduled to take place Wednesday in New Orleans, overseen by the Interior Department. It involves more than 21 million acres in the western Gulf of Mexico.

The lawsuit was filed by the Southern Environmental Law Center, Oceana, Defenders of Wildlife, Natural Resources Defense Council and Center for Biological Diversity.

A spokeswoman for the Interior Department wasn't available for immediate comment.

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Top 5 Paying O&G Jobs with Degrees

All you ever hear about are the big guys -- the ones with the billion-dollar salaries. Well, it takes a lot more than the suits to run this industry.

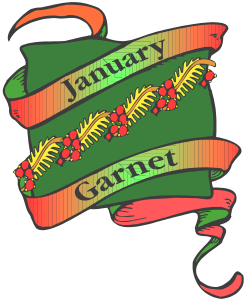
According to the Rigzone Career Center Compensation Tracker the top 5 highest-paying jobs requiring a degree in the industry (taken from various categories) are:

5. **Safety Officer**—Developing, implementing and overseeing safety policies, procedures and programs, including routine audits
4. **Naval Architect**—Designing ships for shipbuilding companies or design and research firms
3. **Petrophysicist**—Analyzing reservoirs and helping engineers determine the best areas and procedures for drilling and excavation
2. **Geoscientist**—Studying the composition, structure, and other physical aspects of the Earth for petroleum
1. **Subsea Engineer**—Designing, building and installing mechanical systems under the ocean



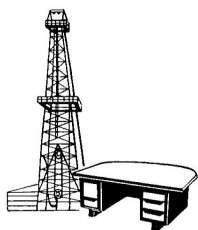
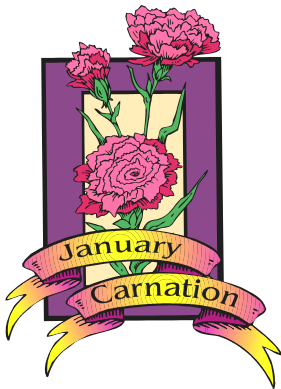
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Director	Joel Battle
Director	Roberta Clay
Immediate Past President	Marie Wilkinson
Parliamentarian	Judi Adams

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Audit/Tally	<i>Carolyn Campbell</i>
Contact	<i>Joel Battle</i>
Education	<i>TBD</i>
History	<i>Barbara Landrum</i>
Membership	<i>Judi Adams</i>
Nominating	<i>TBD</i>
Program	<i>Judy Battle</i>
Public Relations	<i>Barbara Landrum</i>
Publications	<i>Judi Adams</i>
Rules	<i>Pat Cook</i>
Scrapbook/Photography	<i>TBD</i>
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