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Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Happy Hanukkah, or Happy Kwanza – however you and your family celebrate the holidays. May you have a wonderful and joyous season.

It is very hard to believe that this is my last President’s Letter! This year has gone by so quickly. It really feels like we just started 2021 and now we are in December - at the end of another year.

The Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs has endured a great deal this year. With the pandemic, we have not been able to meet in person for most of the year, not able to have Regional Meetings or have our Annual Convention in person. But, with all of the hurdles that we have encountered this year – we remain strong in our goal to continue to support our industry and educate our members as well as educate the general public about the oil and gas industry. This, in itself, is an accomplishment with the downturn of the industry last year and this year – many members have lost their jobs due to downsizing, layoffs and many other factors. However, with members like each of you – we continue to strive to gain new members and remain a viable Association.

I urge you to renew your membership and continue to be a part of this great organization. Remember that you do not have to be in the industry to be a member of Desk and Derrick. Membership Renewals have been sent out to club presidents in November 2021. I hope that you have received your renewal and have returned it to your Club President. In 2022, hopefully, we can return to a somewhat normal year – being able to meet for our monthly meetings in person, being able to attend your respective Regional Meeting and have the opportunity to be in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for the 2022 Annual ADDC Convention. I miss the ability to visit, give hugs and just see each other face to face.

We are very fortunate to have the incoming 2022 Board of Directors and through their leadership, we will move forward with many ideas for each of you to expand your horizons and learn more about the oil and gas and allied industries. There are many committees Regional Representatives that are needed to fill the ADDC Committees. If you haven’t volunteered, contact Philana Thompson, 2022 President to say you will help. This Association does not run solely on the Board, but it takes each member to continue to maintain the excellent organization that we are a part of – YOU are needed.

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2021 has been a dream come true for me – to serve the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs as the President. Many, many years ago – 1979 to be exact, when I joined Desk and Derrick in Corpus Christi, I was in awe of many people who became my mentors. As many of them moved up the ladder in the Association, their guidance and encouragement were always there for me. After serving two (2) times as the Region IV Director (now part of the Southeast Region), I decided to follow my dream and run for the Board of Directors for the position of Secretary. After being fortunate enough to continue to move up to various positions, I accomplished my dream and became the President of ADDC for 2021. Yes, it took some time because as they say, “Life gets in the way sometimes,” but now here I am as my year is over. I will continue to serve on the Board as the Immediate Past President for 2022.

I mention this journey, my dream, as a reminder that each and everyone of you can achieve the same. If you want to be a Regional Director or move up in the Association for one of the other offices on the Board – don’t let anything keep you from realizing your dream or goal. When you are asked to volunteer – raise your hand and go for it!

***Thank you, thank you and thank you*** for your support, encouragement, kind words and love during this year and all the years past. I am so fortunate to have each and everyone of you in my life and circle of wonderful friends. I want you to know that I am always here to help in any way I can. I want to give back to this Association and industry that I have been a part of for 43 years.

Again, I wish you and your family the very merriest of the Christmas season. May you be blessed ten-fold in the new year.

Many, many hugs to all of you,

Evelyn

“My life is so blessed with some of the most amazing people.

Thank you for being part of my journey”