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Tri-State Desk and Derrick

Editor's Musings



Let me begin with a thank you to the Tri-State Club for honoring me along with John Staley with Industry Appreciation Awards at this year's Golf 'n Grub in Mt. Carmel, Illinois. I'm very humbled to be acknowledged by my peers and happy to have been associated with Desk and Derrick for over 40 years. Oops, did I just tell me age?

As you know, the Golf 'n Grub event along with our Pork Loin Fund Raisers help support the Tri-State's scholarship program for persons attending trade or technical schools to learn a skill(s) that may be utilized in the energy industry. We were very happy to be able to recognize Abram Higginbottom as a prior year's scholarship recipient at this year's event.

Tri-State has three members attending this ADDC Educational Conference in Washington, Pennsylvania: NE Region Director, Samuel Thomas, Tri-State President, Michael Nelligan, and Past Region II Director and current Tri-State Club Director, Shelly Hildebrant. We wish you safe travels and know you will have a memorable experience enjoying the field trips, networking events and representing the Tri-State Club in the business meetings.

Metrologic Fall has begun, my garden is winding down, the evenings are getting cooler, the burning bushes are beginning to turn red, high school football is back, colorful mums can be found at the groceries and garden centers, and the hickory nuts in our yard are beginning to fall. Hopefully the squirrels have left enough for Gary to enjoy cracking this winter. Hickory nuts are especially good in homemade cookies. Please take some time to slow down and enjoy all the beauty Mother Nature has to offer this time of year.



Donna Hartig, Editor

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In my last newsletter I asked members to send me an idea for recruiting! The first person to respond was Judi Adams. Judi shared that we should be starting at trade schools and community colleges. Attend the career days and promote D&D as a source for a wide range of knowledge. She said that most companies focus on required OJT/formal training; ADDC provides information about many aspects of the energy industry. Knowing more about the industry gives applicants an edge in interview! Judi won the \$25 gift card to Starbucks.

Jamie Sabata also shared that while she was at Red River attending their July 4th parade an idea came to mind and she shared that clubs should look at entering floats into their local parades.

Nomination Spotlights:

Secretary Nominee Jamie Sabata has been involved in the energy industry since 2002. She worked for J-W Power Company wearing many hats which included office manager, inventory coordinator for the Pampa office, and systems trainer. She currently works for Air Products & Chemicals- Gardner & Rotoflow Division as an inventory materials specialist and a backup for the site supervisor. Jamie stated her goals are to get the Desk & Derrick Club name back in conversations and share with others about this great organization.

Secretary Nominee Heather Woods currently has 17 years of experience as a project manager at geotechnical and environmental consulting firms. Her work often involves record keeping, tracking task completion, and planning. She understands the value of organization and communication because of this experience and is ready to employ these skills as Secretary. Heather has utilized several electronic information storage systems through her career and presently utilize ADDC's current system on Google Drive in her capacity as Treasurer.

If you are attending convention this year, please be sure to find them and chat with these two ladies about their personal visions, goals, and backgrounds!

At last look the attendance for convention had not reached one hundred. I know that our organization, like many others, has not had an easy two years. With our membership in a steep decline, we will have to start asking ourselves some tough questions and making those tough decisions, although un-popular, about what the future holds and how this organization will operate in the years to come. Human nature is to resist, get angry, its hard! We must look at the "why" of what we are doing and not tie our hands in policy and procedure to adapting to change as the environments change. Sometimes it is especially hard not to hold on to what we are familiar with, we must look at the bigger picture and find ways to adapt and grow.

Prayers and Blessings!
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The International Convention is now and makes sure you get your completed packet into ADDC for a great event coming up on September 20-24, 2022, in Washington, PA (Pittsburgh, PA area) at the DoubleTree Hotel. Please check with your club President if you have not seen the email. There is a great lineup of field trips, speakers, and seminars at the meeting. It will be our first in-person convention since 2019. Make sure you get your registration in early.

We have a great lineup of field trips, speakers, and other activities for all. It is time to enjoy the beginning of fall and I hope everyone has the opportunity to travel to the convention.

Of course, if there is anything you need from me at any time, please do not hesitate to call my cell or send me an email.

Let's continue to work together to make 2022 one of the best years ever for the ADDC!

Sincerely,

Sam Thomas

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Energy News and More

Author: Donna L. Hartig

This week, most of the world's major news is coming from the United Kingdoms of Great Britain, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland. On Tuesday, September 6th, Queen Elizabeth II formally accepted the resignation of Boris Johnson as Prime Minister and acknowledged Liz Truss as the 15th Prime Minister during her 70-year reign.



Photo by Jane Barlow/Getty Images

At age 47, Liz Truss has served in Parliament for 12 years holding several cabinet roles within the Conservative government. In the U.K., the public elects members of Parliament from their districts but not the Prime Minister (PM). The political party holding the majority of seats within the legislative body puts its leader forward to serve as the Prime Minister.

According to an article by Anders Hagstrom published by Fox News on Thursday the 8th, Truss ended the U.K.'s ban on fracking implemented in 2019 and opened the door for the sale of domestic gas production amid a European energy crisis with the possibility for the U.K. to increase domestic production as early as March, 2023.

With Russian President Vladimir Putin limiting the country's oil and gas exports to Europe after NATO countries imposed severe economic sanctions on Russia in retaliation for its invasion of Ukraine, the U.K. and other European countries have faced a worsening energy crisis due to their heavy dependence on those imports. The energy crisis has pushed the U.K., along with several of its European neighbors, to reconsider their shutdown of nuclear power plants. Germany made loopholes in its plan to shut down its remaining plants last week and allowed the possibility for two previously shut down units to be re-opened if necessary. Belgium was planning to close two reactors by 2025 but will now keep them open through 2036. France is looking to build an additional 14 reactors over the next several decades.

Overshadowing the change in leadership of its governing body and its change in energy policies, the U.K. sadly announced the death of 96 year-old Queen Elizabeth II on Thursday the 8th and the subsequent accension of Prince Charles to the throne as King Charles III. In the new P.M.'s speech before Parliament on Thursday, Truss acknowledged the Queen's passing saying "Queen Elizabeth II was the rock on which modern Great Britain was built. She was the very spirit of Great Britain, and that spirit will endure." Farewell to a great lady; and, as they are now saying in the U.K., "God save The King".



To Use Electricity or Not To Use Electricity

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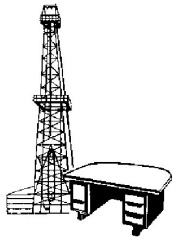
In the July issue of the Tri-State News, I included an article entitled “What is the Electric Grid” explaining how use of the grid is intended to maintain reliability, flexibility, and economic competition for its members using as my source information provided by CenterPoint Energy, the primary supplier of gas and electric power to Southern Indiana and other areas. CenterPoint is a member of the regional grid operated by Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) and MISO is a member of a national grid consisting of member grids across the country. So far, our area hasn’t experienced any emergencies affecting the transmission of power across MISO’s grid.

This is not the case in the western states this summer. The California Independent System Operator (ISO) is the grid operator for California and other western states. According to the major news networks, California has been experiencing some of its highest recorded daily temperatures causing ISO to issue a warning of the possibility of implementing rotating outages for the first time in two years. To help alleviate the possibility of such outages, businesses and the general public were urged to raise their thermostats to 78 degrees and to cut any unnecessary power use between the hours of 4:00 PM and 9:00 PM. Among a great many other things, that meant no baking chocolate chip cookies in the afternoon. Should the demand for power exhaust the grid’s electric reserves, ISO said it would instruct its member utilities to start imposing rotating outages. The last time ISO ordered utilities to impose rotating outages was for two days in August 2020 when outages affected about 800,000 homes and businesses and lasted anywhere from 15 minutes to about two and one-half hours. Thankfully, this year they got a break in the weather before any outages were necessary.

While the grid supplying California electricity is being stretched to its limits just to supply power to homes and businesses during peak usage hours, California’s Air Resources Board approved a ruling requiring all cars, trucks and SUV’s sold in the state after 2035 to be free of greenhouse gas emissions like carbon dioxide. All new vehicles sold in the state would be required to run on electricity or hydrogen. The ruling would permit one-fifth of new vehicle sales to be hybrids. Older vehicles would not be affected by the ruling.



It is estimated that 4% of the energy used by 2030 would be needed just to charge the increased number of electric vehicles during the time frame when usage is highest---generally in the evenings and overnight and even greater during the summer months. Where’s all this extra energy going to come from? From what I could glean from their website, MISO is not currently partnered with the grid for the western portion of the country.



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Thank you to all of our members who were able to volunteer their time to help with the 2022 Tri-State Desk and Derrick Industry Appreciation Golf n' Grub. Whether it be recruiting sponsors, serving food, delivering drinks or just making sure everyone felt welcome, it was so great to see our club come together to pull off such a fantastic event. Everyone in attendance had a great time.

For those that were not able to make it to the event, two Industry Appreciation awards were presented at the Golf n' Grub. The first award went to John Staley. John has gone above and beyond in volunteering his time and supporting our club. Our pork loin fundraiser (and the lids on the smokers) would not run as smoothly without John's help. Also recognized at this year's event was our very own club member, Donna Hartig. As you all know, Donna's many years of dedication, time and efforts to our club is invaluable. Donna keeps our club on schedule and heading in the right direction. Thank you for all you do, Donna!

The 2022 ADDC Convention & Educational Conference is almost here. The convention will be held September 21-25 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Washington, Pennsylvania. I am looking forward to attending this year to share all the superb events our club has been a part of and hopefully come back with some new ideas for the future.

Our next meeting will be held on September 15th at the Red Wagon in Poseyville, IN. Rian Waterbury, Landman/President at Waterbury Enterprises, Inc., will be our speaker. I look forward to seeing you all again soon!

Yours truly,

Michael Nelligan





**Tri-State Desk and Derrick Club
August 18, 2022 - Minutes**

The August Meeting was held at the Red Wagon in Poseyville, IN. The following members were present; Michael Nelligan, Donna Hartig, Gary Hartig, Alesia Cato, Linda Henning, Ryan Masterson, Emily VanHaaften, Stacey Dover via WebEx and guests Lauren Raber and Seth Whitehead.

President Michael Nelligan called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM. Michael introduced the guests at the meeting. Linda Henning made a motion for the minutes from the July meeting to be approved. Donna Hartig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Alesia Cato made the motion to approve the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Donna Hartig seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Michael Nelligan updated us on our last scholarship winner, he is not going to school until the spring semester and has not reached back out to Michael on where to send the scholarship money. We agreed on giving him one more chance to reach out for the scholarship.

Emily VanHaaften stated that the Golf 'n Grub will be hosted next Friday, August 26th at the Mt. Carmel golf course. There are 11 hole sponsors, 2 drink sponsors, 4 picnic sponsors, 1 snack, 1 ice, 20 lunch tickets and 11 golf teams sold so far. Emily asked that all members reach out to their networks and spread the word.

Michael Nelligan stated that the ADDC Convention will be hosted on September 21st through September 25th in Washington, Pennsylvania. Emily VanHaaften made a motion that Michael Nelligan go to 2022 Convention as the Tri State Desk and Derrick Club's delegate. Ryan Masterson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Michael Nelligan reviewed the nominations for the ADDC board that will be voted on at the 2022 ADDC Convention. Michael will be voting at the convention as Tri State's delegate. Ryan Masterson made a motion to send Michael un-instructed so he can make the best decision once he is able to meet the candidates in person. Donna Hartig seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sam Thomas gave congratulations to all AIMEE awards at the Region Meeting and a Thank You to everyone that attended and helped with the meeting.

Michael Nelligan introduced our guest speaker, Seth Whitehead, Executive Director of Illinois Petroleum Resources Board. Seth talked to our members about how he uses social media for IPRB. He covered infographics and posts/social media advertising and public outreach.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily VanHaaften, Immediate Past President

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Kathy Deshaiser 9/12
Stacee Dover 9/15
Travis Thompson 9/23
Karen Chamberlain 9/28
CJ Mayhew 9/30

