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# Tri-State News

# February 2023

# **Tri-State Desk and Derrick**

## **Editor's Musings**

Gary and I watch a lot of the home remodeling shows on HGTV, and one of the things the homeowners almost always request is a gas range. I'm not sure if that is actually HGTV promoting gas ranges or if it is the homeowners' true preference. When we bought our house over 50 years ago, it was wired for an electric range, and that's what I've gotten use to using. But, when we added the "canning kitchen" in the basement, I requested a gas range because it is easier to control the heat when using a pressure cooker/canner. When you turn it off, it stops heating immediately.

All that being said, I was shocked to read a June 2022 article by Susan Shelley reporting the South Coast Air Quality Management District in southern California is proposing legislation that would require replacement of all natural gas appliances with "zero emissions" units in both new and existing residences. If approved, this legislation would apply to gas water heaters, furnaces, space heaters, and cooking devices such as ranges, ovens, griddles, broilers, etc. I didn't see gas grills mentioned in the article. Elimination of gas grills would severely affect all those tailgate parties prior to sporting events in the sunny state.

This proposed legislation is in addition to California's requirement that all new vehicles sold in the state by 2035 be powered by non-hydrocarbon based fuels.

On the flip side of this issue, I also read a January 17, 2023 article by Natalie Newsa Alund saying Republican lawmakers in Wyoming are proposing that the state phase out the sale of all electric powered vehicles by 2035 claiming electric vehicles will hinder Wyoming's ability to trade with other states.

Among the reasons cited in the bill sponsored by Senator Jim Anderson and co-sponsored by five other GOP legislators are:

Batteries used in electric vehicles could contain critical minerals whose "domestic supply is limited and at risk for disruption."

Minerals used in electric batteries are not easily recyclable or disposable, meaning that municipal landfills in the state could be required to develop practices to dispose of these minerals in a safe and responsible manner.

The bill also notes the oil industry has employed thousands of people in the state: "The proliferation of electric vehicles at the expense of gas-powered vehicles will have deleterious impacts on Wyoming's communities and will be detrimental to Wyoming's economy and the ability for the country to efficiently engage in commerce."

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To: ADDC Membership

The ADDC Board held the Annual Budget & Planning Meeting on January 14<sup>th</sup> via a Zoom Meeting. The meeting started at 9:00 a.m. CST and we finished shortly after 2:00 p.m. I want to thank each of the Board Members for their collaboration and decision making for this year during the meeting. The ADDC Committee Chairmen submitted their reports on time and items requiring discussion and/or vote were completed by the Board. A Highlight of the B&P Meeting will be sent out to members in the very near future by your ADDC Secretary, Jamie Sabata. The Board worked diligently and thoroughly on the Budget for 2023 and we will ensure to be good stewards of the Association's monetary funds and be in the "black" for 2023.

Have you gone to the ADDC website – <u>www.addc.org</u>? Last year, a review of the site was performed and what links were not working were noted and are currently being corrected so please know we are working to make Your ADDC website better for You! Please take a moment and review to make sure ADDC has your correct email and contact information listed for you. If your information is incorrect, please update it with these few quick steps: after you log in, go to "Member Corner," a drop-down menu appears and choose "Profile". You can update any information you would like. It's that easy! There is also a lot on our website to help clubs and members, such as:

- Committees—Committee Guidelines and Reports
- News & Publications—Monthly Committee News, Monthly ADDC President and Region Director newsletters for club bulletins
- Clubs and Region areas-Information on club and region related issues

Membership Renewals - it is important that each club sends in their membership renewals to ADO, as soon as possible. Remember that you do not have to be in the oil and gas, and allied industries to be a Member of ADDC. The membership is open to anyone that is interested in learning about our wonderful industry, so we need to encourage members to renew and find new members among our communities. Also, our organization now has the opportunity to have student memberships. If your club has voted to allow student members, please encourage your local college students who are pursuing a degree in the petroleum industry to join and learn more about our industry!

The Program Committee has given the monthly Program report a facelift and hopefully made it a lot easier to understand and fill out. Included in this new format are lists of what can be considered an industry or non-industry program, this detail lays out more opportunities to find different areas to have productive meetings and fulfill your meeting requirements (this is important due to our IRS status). Also, please send your club bulletins to me so I can have them uploaded to the ADDC website. I have enjoyed reading the bulletins I have received so far! Barbara Pappas 2023 ADDC President Page 2

The Rules Chairman, Angie Duplessis, sent a letter, along with the necessary forms for any Proposed Amendments to the ADDC Bylaws and Standing Rules. If your club/region is planning on submitting any changes, the forms must be received by the Rules Committee by February 10, 2023. If you have any questions, you may contact Angie at <u>angdupless@aol.com</u> or myself.

**Calling All Volunteers!!!** ADDC is still looking for just a few more regional representatives. This is a great way to not only become actively involved, but am opportunity to learn more about the various committees. If you are interested in serving as a Regional Representative for a particular committee, please send me an email or just pick up the phone and call me on my cell – your help is not only needed but <u>wanted</u>!!

Right now, I am going through the 2022 membership survey results and will be assigning items to the appropriate committees concerning what membership said they wanted as an ADDC member, whether it is education, leadership, or just more communication and a sense of belonging. Inclusivity is important, it helps a person grow into something bigger and better than themselves and without even realizing it at the same time.

Each month I want to close with a Leadership Quote for each of you,

"One of the most powerful questions a leader can ask is, "What can I do to help you?" – *Nate Miller* 

#### **Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service**

Barbara Pappas

## Respect the Rural

We received an insert with the tax bill for a property in Colorado which listed some good advice for living in or visiting rural communities which are applicable no matter what state you're in. Here's a few of them:

1. Whether on bike, foot or car, slow down and enjoy the view. Country roads are not like driving on the highway. Be safe, slow down and enjoy the ride. Smile, wave and be polite—just like mom said.

2. Watch out for tractors and other farm equipment. They aren't as easy to stop or maneuver as cars or trucks.

3. Be a good neighbor. Whether you've lived in the same location for years or just moved in, talk with your neighbors. Get to know them and share your contact information. In case of an emergency, it's important to know and can make life easier.

5. Don't be afraid of the dark. Protect rural skies, wildlife and your neighbors from outdoor lighting by using only down-cast lighting where necessary. Consider motion-sensing lighting and only use lighting when you're outside and need it. This will also save on energy usage and your electric bill.



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Dear Northeast Region Members:

I can't believe it is already February – I'm still waiting and wondering where all of our snow is. If it's going to be cold, we might as well have the snow. 😊

The Budget & Planning meeting was held Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. The ADDC Board worked diligently to pass our budget and discuss opportunities for the upcoming year. It's gearing up to be a busy year for ADDC and I am looking forward to what's to come. You will be receiving the highlights from B&P soon.

Now that your monthly meetings are getting underway, please remember to complete the Program Report within one week of your meeting. You can find the report under the Committees tab on the ADDC website, then select Program. The report should be completed by your Program Chairman or Club President and sent to the Northeast Region Rep, Donna Hartig, <u>dlhartig@aol.com</u>. If you have any questions, please let myself or Donna know.

I know the year is just getting started, but we need to start thinking of a member to lead our region next year. The Nominating committee will be reaching out soon looking for a volunteer. Believe me when I say, if I can do it, any of you can do it! If you are a current or past Club President, please consider running for this position. The future of ADDC depends on all of us working together and volunteering for positions that we may not know we are capable of doing.

With your club's permission, I would like to start posting club news and events on the Northeast Region Desk and Derrick Facebook page. Please send me any information you would like posted. If you are not already a member of the page, please look it up and like and share our posts to help us gain more attention.

The Northeast Region meeting will be held May 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The Tri-State club has an exciting field trip lined up for Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. The certification class and seminars will be held on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. The weekend will finish up on Saturday with our business meeting and awards luncheon. More details to follow, and I hope that many of you will join us in French Lick.

As always, please let me know if there is anything I can do for you.

Until next month,

Kelli Hiltbrand



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I may not always believe the meteorologist, but I sure do put a lot of stock into the shadow of a woodchuck. Punxsutawney Phil predicted six more weeks of winter for us. Maybe next year they can face him in the opposite direction so we can get an early spring. Here's to hoping anyway.

The 2023 Northeast Region meeting in French Lick, IN is quickly approaching. We all have a lot of work to do, but we are on the right track. The goal is to have the agenda ready this month so we are able to get out a registration packet for the meeting. It is shaping up to be a great looking meeting. I am looking forward to visiting French Lick. I hope you all are too!

The Illinois Oil and Gas Association Annual Convention is March 8-10. As in year's past, Tri-State will have a booth set up. Please stop the booth and help spread the good word about our club. It will be a great opportunity for us to tell everyone about the Region Meeting and to help drum up some sponsorships.

If you have not already turned in your membership renewal, please do so soon.

Our next meeting will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup>. More info about this meeting will be coming out soon. Thank you all for everything you do for our club. Please reach out to me if I can help with anything.

Yours truly,

Michael Nelligan



# Valentine's Day and the American Heart Association

Author: Donna L, Hartig

In February we celebrate Valentine's Day with cards, flowers and heart shaped boxes of chocolates. There are many theories regarding the origins of this annual celebration of love and romance. One theory says it began as a 6<sup>th</sup> century B.C. Christian effort to replace a pagan fertility festival. Another says its inspiration was a 270 C.E. Christian martyr named Valentine who sent a letter to his jailer's daughter, whom he had befriended,



and signed it "from your Valentine". Valentine's Day didn't come to be celebrated as a day of romance until about the 14th century. The invention of the printing press replaced hand-written love notes with commercially printed cards which often depicted the chubby cherub with a bow and arrow named Cupid, the

Roman god of love, along with red hearts which are traditionally considered the body's seat of emotion.

All of that brings us the American Heart Association's choosing February as the month to bring attention to the prevention of heart disease. The number one cause of death among most groups, heart disease affects all ages, genders, and ethnicities. Risk factors include high cholesterol, high blood pressure, smoking, diabetes, and excessive alcohol use.



The heart pumps blood throughout the body supplying oxygen and nutrients while removing toxins and waste. Weighing between 8 to 12 ounces, the heart is divided into four chambers that work together to pump blood in and out. The hearts receives oxygenated blood from the lungs and pumps it throughout the rest of the body by contracting at a rhythmic pace of about 60 to 90 times per minute thanks to electrical cells called "pacemakers". When the heart ceased to perform its regular function, a medical device, also called a pacemaker, can be implanted to assist the heart with this vital function.

Heart disease occurs when the arteries leading to the heart become clogged. Although heart disease has been around for thousands of years, many aspects of modern life are known to exacerbate risk factors making us more prone to heart disease and ultimate heart failure. One in four deaths in the U.S. is attributable to heart disease, but you can reduce your risks by taking stock of your prior health risks, activities and diet.

Source: <u>AMERICAN HEART MONTH - February 2023 - National Today</u>

For more information about heart disease and how to help protect yourself, visit their website at: <u>https://www.heart.org</u>.



P.S. Dark chocolate is supposed to be good for your heart as well as delicious no matter the shape of the box, but heart shaped boxes of chocolates always add a little romance on Valentine's Day.



## Tri State Desk and Derrick January 19, 2023 Minutes



The January meeting was held at the CountryMark Pavilion in Mount Vernon, IN on January 19, 2023. The following members were present: Michael Nelligan, Stacee Dover, Donna Hartig, Gary Hartig, Ryan Masterson, Beth Etzkorn and Alesia Cato. Sam Thomas joined remotely as well as NE Region Director Kelli Hildebrand.

President Michael Nelligan called the meeting to order at 5:38 pm. The November minutes were reviewed. Donna Hartig motioned for approval of minutes, Emily VanHaaften seconded the motion. Motion carried. Ryan Masterson reviewed the Treasurers Report. Donna Hartig made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report subject to audit, Stacee Dover seconded the motion. Motion carried. Our main business for this meeting will be the planning and brainstorming of the NE Region Meeting to be held in French Lick May 18-20<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was had on the theme for the meeting and everyone favored "Energy for all – Big & Small" This will be the theme for the 2023 NE Region meeting. Field trip day will be Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> to Marengo Cave, possibly winery for lunch, oil production site and back to hotel. Friday will be the certification class as well as the seminars. Discussion was had to have certification in morning and seminars in afternoon so attendees could attend both events if they wanted. Kelli is going to reach out to Philana about the requirements for the certification class. Themed dinner will be hosted Friday night and then Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> will be our business meeting and awards luncheon. We discussed having Ryan Watts and Ashley as our guest speakers for lunch on Saturday.

### New Business:

The IOGA Annual meeting will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. We will need some people to help at our booth. Beth Etzkorn, Donna Hartig and Emily VanHaaften volunteered to help with the booth on Thursday. We will have a sponsorship and save the date flyer on the table for the NE Region meeting.

Scholarship forms for 2023 will be sent out soon.

Alesia Cato made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Hartig seconded the motion. Motion carried. Our next meeting will be hosted on February 16, location TBD and we will be discussing how to use the ADDC website.

Respectfully submitted, Emily VanHaaften, Acting Secretary



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