



**March Program  
Desk and Derrick Orientation  
Audra Horton**

**Thursday, March 9, Noon, Abilene Country Club**

**Desk and Derrick Club of Abilene - 2023 Officers**

President	Sherry Meers	Meers Microseep Surveys
Vice President	Audra Horton	GRC - Retired
Secretary	Gina Gardiner	Bullet Development LLC
Treasurer	Debbie English	Chisholm Operating

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The purpose of the Association shall be to promote the education and professional development of individuals employed in or affiliated with the petroleum, energy, and allied industries and to educate the general public about these industries.

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**Dates to Remember**

- March 9      Membership Meeting
- March 7      Golf Tournament Planning Meeting
- April 14-15    West Region Meeting, Nashville, TN
- May 25      Golf Tournament
- Sept 19-24    ADDC Convention, Albuquerque, NM

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**March is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month**

A desire on the part of Inez Awty Schaffer, Humble Oil & Refining Co. in New Orleans, LA to meet other women in the oil and gas industry was the beginning of the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs of North America. She, and several other women in the industry, came together in 1949. The Articles of Association were signed in July, 1951. Desk and Derrick was up and running! The first four (4) clubs were New Orleans, Houston, Los Angeles and Jackson, MS. Word spread and by the end of 1951 there were 25 member clubs with 2,087 members. The first convention was held at the Shamrock Hotel in Houston, TX. Of the 46 clubs and 4,782 members there was 40 clubs represented with 994 in attendance. The name was changed in 1977 to Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs. Began as a "women" only organization, the membership is now open to individuals actively employed in or retired from the petroleum, energy, and allied industries, as well as individuals interested in increasing their knowledge about these industries; to former Desk and Derrick members; and to individuals who are enrolled in an accredited course of study with a declared major in the petroleum, energy, and allied industries.

## **From Sherry Meers Abilene Club President**

I love March because I love Spring! Many thanks for all the phone calls/text messages I received when I thought death was at my door 😊. Finally up and going after a long 15 days. I just wanted to welcome our two new members Jody Cory and Sandy Cubine. Also I'm so excited that Bridget Steadman has come back to enjoy the fun too ❤️❤️ May 25th is our golf tournament. If you know someone who would like to help sponsor the tournament let us know and we will send them a letter! See everyone March 9th!

## **Excerpts from West Region Director Esther Greyeyes letter:**

2023 West Region Meeting to be held in Nashville, TN April 13th-16th, 2023. Our host, Grande Prairie Club, has completed the 2023 West Region Meeting packets. Members if you have not received your packet, please get with your Club President, or email me and one will be sent to you. I encourage ALL members to plan on attending. It is a wonderful time for new members to get acquainted and for long-time members to renew friendships, as well as great field trips and educational opportunities.

March Awareness is coming up, each member(s) let our community, co-workers, employers know how important D&D and ADDC is in educating everyone around us about energy, where it comes from! Invite someone to our meeting in March to learn more about energy and Yes about our D&D Clubs.

## **Excerpts from ADDC President Barbara Pappas letter:**

Barbara lost both her brother and father in February. She does not have a March letter on the website. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

## Desk and Derrick Word Search

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Audra  
Education  
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Rig**

**Affiliated  
Bulletin  
Energy  
Gamble  
Oil  
Seismic**

**Albuquerque  
Committees  
Field Trip  
Gas  
Pipe  
Sherry**

**Association  
Debbie  
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Programs  
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**Have fun!!!**