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To: ADDC Membership

Regional meetings are in full swing, and I had the privilege of attending the West Region and Southeast Region meetings the past two weeks. I am currently getting ready to attend the Central Region meeting this week. Northeast Region is slated for May 17-20, 2023. You still have time to get your registration in for the Northeast Region! I will announce the 2024 ADDC Region Directors in next month's letter.

Tax time is almost here! The deadline to submit your tax form to the IRS is **May 15, 2023**. Please remember to send a copy to your Regional Representative as well.

Mark your calendars - ADDC is moving forward with the 2023 ADDC Convention, hosted by the West Region, to be held in Albuquerque, NM – ***September 20-23, 2023***. The Registration Packets will be sent out in the near future. The Sandia Resort & Casino: <https://www.sandiacasino.com> will be the site of this year's convention. Room rates will be \$194 for a single, double, triple or quad. Airport Information: <https://abqsunport.com>

The Nominating Committee Chairman, Keith Atkins, has called for Nominations for Association Officers for 2024. The Nomination Forms were sent to Regional Directors, to be forwarded to Club Presidents on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Nominations for the office of President-Elect, Secretary and Treasurer are open. The deadline for Nomination forms to be returned is Friday, June 16, 2023, please email your nomination form to: [keith.atkins@murphyusa.com](mailto:keith.atkins@murphyusa.com). Nominees for any Association Office must have served as a Regional Director or have served on the Association Board. Remember – ***YOUR*** Association needs you!

ADDC's began its life with the Desk and Derrick Club of New Orleans, Louisiana in 1949. I took a moment to realize our organization celebrates 74 years in existence! What an accomplishment. How many other organizations can say they have been around this length of time? I feel this proves we are doing something right, we are representing our industry, an industry that is needed worldwide! Retention and Recruitment are the two words that will continue to help our organization grow, and it all starts with you. Teamwork is what is needed to see the end goal, all of us working together and doing our part to help ADDC be greater than it was last year!

***“Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.” — Andrew Carnegie, industrialist and philanthropist***

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