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May 2023 Tri-State Desk and Derrick



Editor's Musings

It's May, and I'm still looking for contributors to our club's monthly newsletter, the Tri-State News. Each of us has a story about our contribution to the oil and gas or energy industry and how or why we decided to become part of Desk and Derrick. Because we are individuals with different backgrounds and represent various ages/stages in life, we see things from different perspectives; and sharing those perspectives can make this newsletter more interesting to our diverse audience. Won't you please consider sharing your story with the other members of Tri-State Desk and Derrick Club. If you need help telling your story or getting it down in writing, I would be glad to help edit your work. We all had start somewhere; and who knows, this might be your first step towards writing "the great American novel". Don't worry, no one's expecting to read the first chapter of "your novel" in the Tri-State News. Several years ago, a member of the Bay Area Club wrote an article for their newsletter in which she gave a hilarious description of how when she first joined the industry she naively misinterpreted some of the terminology she was typing on the daily drilling reports such as "going fishing" and "burying a deadman". I believe she won an AIMEE for her article. You could too.

As you know, the Northeast Region Meeting is coming up May 17th-20th; and as the host club, we'll be ironing out some of the details during our virtual meeting this Thursday, May 4th beginning at 5:30 PM. If you need help signing in, please give Michael Nelligan a call or email. The last I heard, we have 18 Tri-State members planning to attend the Region Meeting. That's great! One of the topics to be discussed during the meeting concerns the future of the Association. Your input prior to and during the meeting is important.

May is full of events to celebrate beginning with May 1st. When we were kids we would walk alternately around the flagpole holding long lengths of ribbons making what we called a May Pole to celebrate May Day. If you'll check the calendar on Page 7, you'll see that the 4th day of May has been declared "Star Wars Day"—"May the fourth be with you". In addition to the 2nd Sunday in May set aside to honor our mothers or those who have been like a mother to us, May includes two internationally known racing events which take place right here in Kentucky and Indiana. Although we may get caught up with the race in Indy or with picnics and family gatherings during the Memorial Day weekend, let us never forget the men and women who died serving our country as well as those who continue to serve today. Happy Memorial Day!



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May 2023

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 1st. 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. 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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May 2023

Dear Northeast Region Members:

It is Region Meeting month!! Thank you to everyone who has registered to attend the Northeast Region Meeting in French Lick, IN. The final plans are coming along great and there are just a few minor details to work out. If I haven't already reached out, I may be doing so soon for some assistance with presenting reports at the meeting.

During the business session, we will be having an Open Forum. This is a time for all members to speak and bring up any ideas or concerns you may have. Club Presidents, please take the opportunity to discuss this with your clubs prior to the meeting and come ready to share ideas for the future of our region and organization.

We have a nominee for the 2024 Northeast Region Director. Thank you, Shelly Hildebrand, for volunteering. If you don't know Shelly, she is very qualified for the position having previously served as Region Director and on many ADDC Committees.

The deadline to file your clubs annual tax-exempt report (ADDC Form TAXE1) is May 15th, 2023. Please send your completed form and confirmation email to our region rep, Lisa Ricchiuto at lricchuto@dgoc.com.

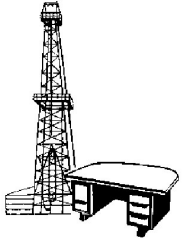
Don't forget to include me on your monthly bulletins. I am curious to see what your clubs are up to this year.

The West Region is hosting the 2023 ADDC Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico from September 20th - 23rd, 2023. Registration packets will be coming out soon. I hope you will consider attending.

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

Until next month,

Kelli Hiltbrand



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May is here and with it brings the Northeast Region Meeting. We have worked hard to ensure a successful meeting. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and enjoying a great meeting.

The 2023 Tri-State Desk and Derrick Technical or Trade School Scholarship applications are being reviewed. The scholarship committee is determining how to allocate up to \$10,000 in scholarships. That is not an easy task, but we certainly have deserving candidates.

The Spring Pork Loin Fundraiser is in the books and what a day that was! The rain proved to be a challenge and the smokers were still cooking past 10:00PM. A huge Thank You to everyone who was able to help that day. It was without a doubt the longest pork loin cook to date, but will net around club around \$4,000 once all of the money is finally collected.

Our next meeting will be held on May 4th via Webex. This will be the final meeting before the region meeting so your attendance is encouraged to help tie up and loose ends before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Nelligan



WHAT IS THE WILLOW PROJECT AND WHY IS IT SO CONTROVERSIAL?

by Donna L. Hartig



Located on the plain of the North Slope of Alaska in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska (NPR-A), the Willow Project is an oil drilling project controlled by ConocoPhillips Alaska. The region, about the size of Indiana, is located less than 30 miles from the Arctic Ocean and is the nation's largest piece of public land. It was designated specifically for oil and gas development by the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act in 1976 and is one of the most promising regions in the U.S. for new oil, but it is also a key habitat for polar bears and thousands of migrating caribou and waterfowl.

As the biggest oil project under consideration in the country, ConocoPhillips estimates its cost to be \$8 billion to \$10 billion. Pushing to reduce fossil-fuel consumption as a way to cut emission causing climate change, climate activists have made the project one of their top priorities. ConocoPhillips has held leases for oil development in the region since the late 1990's and discovered Willow with two exploratory wells in 2016. After years of permitting and legal fights and following the recommendations from a government review to keep development out of the yellow-billed loon nesting site and caribou migration paths, on March 13th the Biden administration approved the project going forward with as many as three drilling sites with up to 199 total wells. It is estimated drilling for oil in Alaska's North Slope could produce 500-600 million barrels of oil over the next 30 years delivering over \$17 billion in revenue for federal and state governments as well as local Alaskan communities.

Will the project begin moving forward in the near future? Not necessarily. On March 15th, a coalition of environmental groups filed a lawsuit to overturn Biden's approval of the project. Now what?

According to an article by Tyler Reed in The Shale Magazine there are pro's and con's for the project :

PROS:

Jobs and Economic Benefits: The project will create thousand of jobs many of which will draw from the local labor force creating hundreds of direct and ancillary positions as well as boost the local economy. It will also bring in billions in tax revenue for the state and federal governments.

Energy Security: The project would help to increase Alaska's and the U.S.'s energy security by utilizing an untapped source of oil and gas and help to replenish the depleting Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

Environmental Benefits: Both sides agree that the Willow Project is set to be conducted in an environmetally responsible manner.

Improved Infrastructure: The project would include the construction of new roads, pipelines, and other infrastructure improving access to the area benefiting local and national economies.

Support for Indigenous Communities: Willow Project would provide economic support and cultural-sensitivity for indigenous communities in the area.

CONS:

Environmental damage: The project involves the construction of roads, pipelines, and other infrastructure through a pristine wildlife habitat. Any form of construction will damage/disrupt local flora and fauna.

Air and Water Pollution: While it may be minimal, a remote drilling facility needs a lot of resources to be built and to operate in an environment as harsh as Alaska. Diesel fuel, chemicals, wastewater, trash, and other contaminants pose environmental risks if not properly disposed.

Sources: Timothy Puko 4/17/23 article The Washington Post, Tyler Reed, MBA, April 2023 article in Shale Magazine, and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Willow_project



Tri-State Desk and Derrick April 20, 2023 Minutes



The April meeting of the Tri-State Desk and Derrick Club was held at Kemper, CPA's office on April 20, 2023, with the following members present: Michael Nelligan, Ryan Masterson, Emily VanHaften, Alesia Cato, Stacey Dover, Karen Chamberlain, Beth Etzkorn, Donna Hartig and Gary Hartig. President Michael Nelligan called the meeting to order at 5:47 PM.

Minutes from the March meeting were not available. Ryan Masterson distributed the treasurer's reports for January, February, and March. Emily moved to accept the treasurer's reports subject to audit. Stacey seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Emily announced she has just received a new membership application from Sean Hopf with Countrymark.

Michael reported the club has received ten scholarship applications. The Scholarship Committee last year consisted of himself, Stacey Dover, and Linda Henning. By consensus it was agreed the committee would remain the same for 2023. INOGA has agreed to contribute an additional \$1,000 above its initial contribution of \$2,000 which will be used to increase the amount awarded to the top candidate in 2023. In 2022, Tri-State awarded a total of \$9,000 in scholarships. Ryan moved the club award scholarships in 2023 totaling up to \$10,000 with that total to include INOGA's \$3,000 contribution. The motion was seconded by Emily and passed unanimously. The committee will review the applications by May 12th, and the winners will be announced at the Region Meeting.

The pork loin fund raising event to benefit the scholarship program is tomorrow, April 21st. Currently we have 351 pork loins sold.

As of today, we have received 29 registrations for the Region Meeting indicating plans to book 70 room nights at the hotel against our commitment of 80 room nights. If additional room nights are not booked, the meeting budget will be responsible for the difference of \$1,293.00. The Northeast Region By-Laws specify that should a Region Meeting show a negative balance, the Region Fund will be responsible for the first \$1,000 and the host club will be responsible for any excess. A general discussion followed concerning engaging additional sponsors as the current budget shows a negative balance of approximately \$500.00.

As part of the planned field trip, we will be visiting one of CountryMark's production facilities versus our original destination. There will be no Certification Class as only two members signed up. Those members have the option of taking the Geology Class online.

The May meeting will be held virtually on May 4th at which time, we will iron out details for the Region Meeting. Topics to be addressed include: greeters, registration, goody bags for field trip and speakers' gifts. Emily plans to pick up the snacks and water for the field trip.

Alesia Cato led the members through a tour of the ADDC website using a program she named the "A, B, C's of D&D". Prior to the meeting, members were encouraged to bring their laptop computers so they could follow along as she used the alphabet as a travel map to explore the ADDC website. From locating the site on the internet to finding forms, committee responsibilities and guidelines to finding information about the Association and upcoming events, we came away with a better understanding of how to use the website.

Emily moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:19 PM, Karen seconded it and it was approved unanimously.
Respectfully submitted

Donna L. Hartig, Acting Secretary

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NORTHEAST REGION MEETING—FRENCH LICK, INDIANA						
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