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I hope you all have a great Labor Day holiday. Be safe if you are traveling and have lots of fun. School has started. Remember that no matter how late you are, slow down in the school zones and neighborhoods.

In 1 month, we will be heading to Albuquerque, New Mexico to the Sandia Resort and Casino for the 71st Annual ADDC Convention and Educational Conference. This year's convention is being hosted by the West Region and Philana Thompson is the General Arrangements Chairman. The Registration Packet has been uploaded to the ADDC website. Check it out. August 28 is considered late registration so get yours in as soon as possible. The dates are September 20-24, 2023. By the way, business attire is what is suggested for the Business Meetings at Convention, and we do not have any proposed ADDC Bylaw and Standing Rules amendments this year.

If you are coming to the Convention, please attend the Open Forum after the Business Session on Friday. It is your chance to speak to the Board Members and ask questions or give recommendations to the Board.

Want to thank ADDC President, Barbara Pappas, for sending the direct emails to all of us this year. They have been helpful.

Don't forget to sign up to be an ADDC Committee Chair or Committee Rep for 2024. The website has the form, or I will send a copy of the form to you.

Please be sure to send your Convention Credentials Form to Keith Atkins and me by September 1, 2023. You need to send this form in even if you are not attending the convention.

All, we will be having our ADDC Board Meeting via Zoom on September 16, 2023. If any of you have questions or concerns you want the ADDC Board of Directors to talk about, please send me the questions or your concerns no later than September 1, 2023. I will be glad to take your questions to the Board.

Just a quick reminder, the Central Region is the host club for the 72nd ADDC Convention and Educational Conference. I will be the General Arrangements Chairman, and I will be contacting the club presidents to request help in making this a great time for all members. It will be held in Dallas; and the Lone Star Club of Dallas is the lead in this endeavor. We will have several great field trips and educational seminars. Wendy Sparks will be our ADDC President, and we want to make this a very memorable event for her.

They used to say in Texas, "If you don't like the weather, give it ten minutes and it will change." I think they lied...It has been hot, hot, hot and no change yet.

Stay cool.

Val Williams