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To: ADDC Membership

We had a great Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico with field trips, seminars, Fiesta Flamenco Ice Breaker, and business meetings. The West Region membership, led by GAC Philana Thompson, worked together to provide a fun and educational time. I want to take a moment to say "Thank You" to everyone and I encourage the membership to give a word of "Thanks" to West Region as well, they outdid themselves! If you were unable to make it, I hope to see you next year.

The Nominating committee presented its slate of 2024 Association officers and were voted on during Saturday's business meeting. Your 2024 ADDC Board is:

President – Wendy Sparks, Oklahoma City Club, Central Region President-Elect – Kathy Martin, Lafayette Club, Southeast Region Treasurer – Sue Weaver, San Antonio Club, Southeast Region Secretary – Kelli Hiltbrand, Tuscawaras Valley Club, Northeast Region

I will serve as your Immediate Past President, and Evelyn Green, San Antonio Club, Southeast Region, will serve as the 2024 ADDC Parliamentarian.

The First, Second, and Third Place Winners in the AIMEE Awards were announced at Convention. Congratulations to all the Winners! If you did not win an AIMEE, try and try again! All of your hard work that you, the Members, put into our Association by writing articles, letters, and presenting programs, is vital to the education we provide to all members. By sharing your knowledge with other members at meetings, seminars, or hosting a field trip, the name of the Association of Desk and Derrick continues to be acknowledged.

The Public Relations committee announced the DSA and SAA awards. This year's presentation was a little different. The individual or club that nominated an individual, club, or a committee, came up to the podium and gave a short synopsis of the nominee which left it as a surprise as long as possible! The look of surprise on the recipients' faces was priceless! Congrats to the Public Relations committee on a job well done!

The 2023 Treasurer's report was given at Convention and emailed out to the Regional Directors to forward to Club Presidents and membership. The 2023

Finance Review Committee has reviewed and approved the first and second quarter financial reports to be sent to membership. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Martin and/or anyone on the 2023 FRC. The 2022 Finance Review Committee Chairman gave a short report to membership and will present the full report once the 2022 financials review is complete.

Now, we will look forward to being in Dallas, Texas for our 2024 Annual Convention. I am looking forward to having a great time in the Big "D"! The Central Region is already hard at work to ensure we have an educational and extraordinary time!

With the new Board announced, Wendy Sparks is looking for volunteers for Region Representatives for various Committees in 2024. Contact Wendy and she will be able to tell you what committees, Standing and Special, that might still need your help. This is a great way to get more involved within the Association and learn about each committee.

The 2023 Board of Directors continues to serve you for the next three (3) months. If there is something that You, need or want to have brought before the Board and/or the membership, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Board. We are here to serve each of you.

In closing, our current membership number is 644. My goal is still 650, so I am not giving up just yet! We have 44 new members this year, some new and some who have returned after being gone for a while, glad to have you back!

"A leader takes people where they want to go. A great leader takes people where they don't necessarily want to go, but ought to be." - Rosalynn Carter.

Greater Knowledge ~ Greater Service

Barbara Pappas