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Dear Members,

We had a great time at the Albuquerque, NM Convention. We had the privilege to present the following awards this year:

- Special Achievement Award ("SAA") for a Committee Special Project. The Lone Star Club of Dallas nominated their "Operation: Lone Star Zoom" project.
- Special Achievement Award for a Club Seminar. The Oklahoma City Club nominated the Liberal Club for their "Magic Suitcase" program.
- Distinguished Service Award ("DSA") for a Non-Member. The Wichita Falls Club nominated Kyle Gardner, Cobra Oil and Gas.
- Distinguished Service Award for a Member. The Lone Star Desk and Derrick Club of Dallas nominated Pat Blanford.

The Committee has criteria to consider with each nomination. Did the nominated project/person contribute to making improvements? Did that special project benefit Desk and Derrick? Once the committee reviewed and approved the nomination, we forwarded it to the Board for review.

The award recipients have put in an extraordinary amount of time and effort throughout their career and participation in the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs. We were honored to present them with plaques for these awards.

"Operation: Lone Star Zoom" was nominated for and awarded the SAA for taking the initiative to opening their meeting to the entire ADDC membership utilizing Zoom. Members from the Tri-State Club and Canada attended, and they intend on doing this on a regular basis. They are trying something new, learning to overcome technical difficulties, and we look forward to future speakers with the Lone Star Club.

Oklahoma City nominated the Liberal Club for their "Magic Suitcase" program. Liberal has been presenting the Magic Suitcase along with Energy Activity Books (EABs) for the last 10 years to third graders in their community. Making this a priority for their small club, they continue to budget and purchase hundreds of EABs. This presentation was extended to a neighboring library

summer program which received the attention of a local newspaper. This promoted Desk and Derrick and the industries we support.

Wichita Falls Club nominated Mr. Kyle Gardner with Cobra Oil and Gas the DSA for all he has done for the energy industries. His accomplishments are way more than this letter can summarize from testifying for bills that help industry operators (and successfully pushing them through) to his willingness to pursue wildcat targets and produce successful oil fields. He supports the Wichita Falls club by sharing his expertise in monthly meetings and Industry Appreciation banquets without fail over the years. He participates in the club fund raisers and has attended region meetings and conventions. He encourages members of his company to take time from work to attend D&D activities. Overall, he provides an environment on all fronts that encourages education in the energy industry.

Lone Star Club of Dallas nominated their member, Pat Blanford for the DSA for a member. This award was a surprise, and it was difficult for her club (and this committee – of which she is a part) to keep this a secret. Pat is so heavily involved in so many aspects of her club, Central Region, and ADDC Committees. She has been a member since 1975. In 2014 she was a founding member of the Lone Star Club of Dallas. She was their first President and was integral in writing bylaws, creating forms, and encouraging membership during those first years. Pat is described as hardworking, committed, dedicated and loyal. She encourages new ideas and changes and volunteers with her whole heart. Pat is Lone Star's "go-to" person.

It was great being able to receive and review these entries. We really enjoy seeing what other clubs are doing. I want to thank the committee this year which included the Public Relations chairpersons for

- Central Region (Pat Blanford of the Lone Star Club)
- Northeast Region (Kelli Hiltbrand of the Tuscarawas Valley Club)
- Southeast Region (Angie Corvers of the Baton Rouge Club)
- West Region (Natalie Bright of the Amarillo Club)

Again, on behalf of ADDC, we congratulate all this year's winners.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Helen Trujillo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.