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DESK AND DERRICK CLUB
OF ROSWELL



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Fall Greetings!

October 2023

Dear Members,

I know it is already October, but with the still over 80-degree temps, I wonder if Fall will ever make an appearance. Surely it will show up now. The Parade and Fair are in town and that is usually the Fall turning point. We shall see!

We are on the tail end of another great year with Desk and Derrick. I think we have had plenty of fun activities, hard work, and great meetings already, with only a few left to go. I look forward to the rest of the ride!

ADDC Convention was a great success! Thank you so much to Philana Thompson and all West Region for pitching in to make it turn out so wonderful. Thank you so much to the Roswell Club members that helped with our assigned event - the Awards Lunch. Those who attended did a great job in getting the room decorated in time, and the food we chose was great! The Roswell Club was represented well with myself, Ellie Gallagher as my Alternate Delegate, Anna Carreon (a First Timer), Cindy Garrison, Jackie Hewett, Jan Starnes, Kirsten Wood and Ann Young in attendance. From the Field Trips to the great speakers, we learned so much and had fun doing it! If you missed out, I hope you will get to attend next year. Nothing major to report, as there were no new ADDC Bylaw Amendments or other big agenda items, but we will give a brief overview at the October meeting.

It is voting season, and the Roswell Desk and Derrick Club needs to fill its Executive Board for 2024. Please consider running for an office when the nominating committee calls. With our lower membership, it has become harder to fill all of the slots. This is an important part of keeping our club around. I hope our membership will step up for this important work. We will vote on the 2024 Board candidates at the November membership meeting. We will also take nominations from the floor prior to voting.

Coming up at the October 10th membership meeting, we will have Ellis Vickers speaking to us about Working Interest Units. I hope to see you all there or on Zoom.

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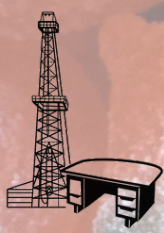
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Happy Halloween Haunting Y'all!!!

Patti Stacy
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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.



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Dear West Region Members:

We had an awesome 2023 ADDC Convention, it was due to the great help from all the West Region Desk and Derrick Clubs, without all the Clubs we would not have had a successful event.

A special 'Thanks' to Philana and Jolie, they worked hard and got us some awesome speakers, special rates, wonderful breakfast, lunch boxes were great, and we learned more about bitcoin.

Best of all was seeing all our friends and making new friends, finally meeting ladies that I've only seen their names on paper! WOW the 1st timers (14 members), I hope they will step up and get involved in a committee and hope to see them at Region or Convention in 2024.

All the field trips were wonderful and a learning experience, I heard the Tram was sort of scary but at least you rode it. I hope you will all come back and visit the city again.

Some of us started the Certification Classes and we aced the 'Energy 101' and got our certificate.

AIMEE Contest - Congratulations to all the winners, we are all winners just entering an article or picture, so start writing and get those cameras out, you still have plenty of time to turn them in.

We have our new ADDC Board, and they will be wanting members to sign up and take up a role, if you are interested, please contact your Club Presidents or Heather Woods (2024 RD), West Region will be needing help also, if you never served on a committee or board, get on board, you'll learn while having fun.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or feedback please email me at ejgreeyes@merrion.bz or call me (505) 320-6300.

Your 2023 RD, Esther Greeyes



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PETROLEUM PRODUCT OF THE MONTH

ARTIFICIAL HEART VALVES

Heart valves function like doors for blood to flow in and out. Like real doors, if a door into the heart is not opening or closing correctly then it could impact blood flow. This could cause real problems. Luckily, mankind worked to use available resources and found ways to invent artificial heart valves that can be put directly into the heart and control blood flow.

Petroleum is in several areas of healthcare. The material is used to produce the computer holding patient information and the MRI machine detecting a brain tumor. Substances containing petroleum create anesthetics and stethoscopes. Petrochemicals even make up scrubs seen on nurses and surgeons alike. The hydrocarbon mixture is also key in manufacturing medical instruments such as IVs, pacemakers and artificial mechanical heart valves.

Approximately 265,000 heart valves are replaced each year. Like any machine, a heart can undergo damage and need a part replaced. Heart valve surgery may be necessary for heart defects including chest pain, fainting spells and heart failure. The heart functions like a hydraulics system and quality valve function is essential for a healthy life.

Blood flowing out of the heart into large arteries must flow through a heart valve. There are four heart valves: aortic, mitral, tricuspid and pulmonic. The valve most commonly replaced is the aortic valve, and can be replaced with a biological or mechanical material. Mechanical material lasts the longest, but blood thinning medicine such as aspirin needs to be taken.

In 1952, the first mechanical heart valve replacement surgery took place. The valve had a caged ball design and was invented by Dr. Charles Hufnagel. As heart valve designs were altered, materials creating the valves were too. An electrical engineer named Miles Edwards founded American Edwards Laboratories, a medical device company, in the 1950s. He is credited with co-inventing the first artificial heart valve for commercial use.

Petrochemicals became part of the heart valve manufacturing process in 1965. Dr. J.C. Bokros from the General Atomic Company researched pyrolytic carbon materials for nuclear fuel. He discovered the same material could be used for heart valves and as a result, 90% of all mechanical heart valves have at least one pyrolytic part.

Mechanical heart valves are built of titanium, graphite, pyrolytic carbon and polyester. Derived from petroleum, pyrolytic carbon is coated onto the mineral graphite. The pyrolytic carbon coating is made from gaseous hydrocarbons that break down into carbon. Since the inner rings are made completely of pyrolytic carbon, it allows the material to be more crack resistant. Assembly must take place in a sterile environment to avoid contamination. Valves are ultimately placed into a rotator assembly used by surgeons to be implanted.



See how they're
made!
Fascinating!

October

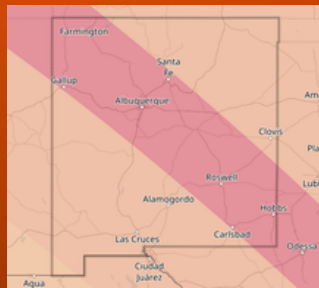


MEMBER MEETING
 October 10, 5:30 pm
 at
 HEYCO Energy Group
 400 N. Penn, Suite 550
 Speaker: Ellis Vickers
 Working Interest Units
 Menu: Tacos,
 chips and salsa
 Please RSVP to Cindy
 by 2pm Tuesday, the 10th

National Aeronautics and Space Administration 

ANNULAR SOLAR ECLIPSE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

Scan the QR code for animation and times across NM!

NO COMMITTEE MEETINGS CURRENTLY SCHEDULED



Happy Birthday!



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