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Ellie Gallagher, Editor



Educating Our Future

April 2024

Dear Members,

Happy Spring Desk & Derrick! It's exciting to see the daffodils and tulips coming up! My irises should bloom soon too! Those April showers should help move things along quickly. Spring is a time a renewal for the planet and for us. Take some time to create your own renewal in your life. Nothing like a bit of spring cleaning!

We had a terrific meeting in March and John Worrell was an amazing speaker. Thanks to Jessi and Jan for booking him to speak to us. We were also presented with a proclamation by our Mayor, Tim Jennings. Thank you Tim and we enjoyed your warm words to our members and club. Our meeting for April will be a joint meeting with the Artesia Club on April 9th in Roswell at the Elks Club at noon. We will have chicken enchiladas, so please RSVP to Patti as soon as you can. Our speakers will be Paul Ragsdale and Matt Eales with Targa. The topic is "Carbon Sequestration and 45Q-What the heck is it?". This sounds very interesting!

The West Region Meeting is in Corpus Christi on April 18-20th and packets were emailed to all members. I will report back to the club all the news at our May meeting. The deadline for registration is April 5th (without late fees). It will be a fun time in Corpus Christi! I'm looking forward to being your Delegate. Jan Starnes, our Vice-President will be the Alternate Delegate.

We are having an Industry Appreciation meeting on April 4th at Peppers at 5:30 pm. Please let Cindy know if you can attend. I would like more people on this committee if you can help. Industry is scheduled for September 19th at the Convention Center. We hope to have a big turn out! Our golf tournament is tentatively scheduled for August 8th, but we have not scheduled any meetings yet. We need lots of help with our biggest fund raiser of the year. Please volunteer if you can. Speaking of fund raisers, we received the money from the Energy Dinner we assisted with. We are sending money from this event to our scholarships at ENMUR and NM Tech.

In May we are doing a Community Service Project for the Roswell Community Disaster Relief Services. You can donate money, canned goods or first aid supplies. I did take our donation to the Walker Aviation Museum, and they were thrilled! We raised \$235 and I posted a picture on our Facebook page. Thank you all for your generosity.

Spring has sprung, so go renew yourselves and get out there and PLANT something!

Jackie Hewett
2024 President



Whatever your past has been, you have a spotless future.
Melanie Gustafson

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ADDc Membership

I am so ready for some continuous Spring temperatures here in Oklahoma. It's starting to look and feel like it outside with flowers blooming and ALLERGY season!

All regional meeting packets should now be on the ADDC Website. If you are able, try to attend a regional meeting outside of your own! It is neat to see how other regions interact and do business. The Southeast Region is having a virtual meeting on April 20th so that would be a great time to participate at no cost. Contact Angie Corvers, Southeast Region Director for the link to login! All the regions are having some wonderful field trips so take time to look at the packets they have created.

Speaking of region meetings, be sure that your club renewals are in PRIOR to and sent to ADO as soon as possible. As I mentioned before, these must be in by your regional meeting for your club to have a vote and be in good standing! Membership numbers are sitting at 343 members and 1 student member. We are 52% towards our goal!

The Board will soon be sending out the Proposed 39 Bylaw Amendments and 6 Standing Rule Amendments. The Rules Committee Chair, Diana Walker, Parliamentarian, Evelyn Green, and I will be working diligently on how to make this process go as smoothly as possible. These will be able to be discussed at the regional meetings so PLEASE take the time to read BEFORE and ask questions to your Region Directors during the open forum. As always, I am also available for questions.

Please access the ADDC website as often as you can. Also, if you have changes that need to be made to your information, you can update at your convenience. www.addc.org,

“Perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races one after the other.” ~Walter Elliot

**Sincerely,
 Wendy Sparks**



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Dear West Region Members:

The West Region meeting is coming up quickly. Please join us in Corpus Christi, Texas, April 18-20, 2024. The registration packet is available on the ADDC website (ADDC.org) under the “Events” tab. The hotel booking link is also available on this page. Late registration begins April 5th, so be sure to get your forms in soon!

The main event of the Region Meeting is the election of the next Region Director. We have not received any nominations to date, so please think about stepping up if you have the available time in the upcoming year. While there is some work involved in the position, it is a rewarding experience, and the members of the region will appreciate your service. Nominations are due to Esther Greyeyes, Nominating Committee Chair, by March 1, 2024. The forms can be emailed to her at ejgreyeyes@merrion.bz. Please reach out if you have any questions or if you’d like to know more about the duties and responsibilities of the Region Director position.

Lastly, clubs must have submitted their annual dues prior to the beginning of the Region Meeting to be eligible to vote. If club dues have not been submitted yet, please send a copy of your transmittal forms to me (an email with a scanned copy is great or there is snail mail). Please remember that ADDC is due \$55 (U.S. Dollars) per regular member and \$15 per student member. Those fees with transmittal forms are mailed to ADO at 5014 FM 1500, Paris, TX 75460. Additionally, West Region is due \$2 (U.S. Dollars) per regular or student member. Please mail West Region dues to Philana Thompson at Merrion Oil & Gas, 610 Reilly Ave., Farmington, NM 87401. Each club designates its own member dues, if any, so the total dues you submit with your personal membership renewal or registration will vary.

**Many Thanks,
 Heather Woods**



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PETROLEUM PRODUCT OF THE MONTH



BICYCLES

As the weather warms, it's time to bring out our bicycles and get back to riding!

There's so much that goes into making bikes, and they are becoming more and more popular as time goes by. You can now rent them to travel around busy cities, making your visit more fun and efficient than ever before.

They fell in popularity when automobiles began to grow, but they made a comeback during the 1970s' oil crisis around the same time that mountain bikes were introduced. Bicycles have evolved and adapted over the years to include types and styles for general transportation, recreation, sport, competition, and more.

In the late 1700s, the first bicycle-like device was introduced in France. It was essentially a modern bicycle without pedals, propelled by pushing it along with your feet. The first steerable version was introduced in 1816 in Germany. This version rose in popularity throughout Europe and, in 1840, a Scottish blacksmith created a version that was operated by a foot pedal.

Metal-spoked wheels, solid rubber tires, ball-bearing hubs, and lever-operated, four-speed gearshifts were introduced in the 1860s. In 1866, a version was introduced that featured a large wheel in front and a very small wheel in back. This version became popular in the United States. The word first appeared in print in 1868; an English newspaper, *The Daily News*, called them "Bysicles and trysicles." The word eventually evolved into "bicycles" as we know them today.

The first chain-driven bicycle was invented in 1885, which also featured a new design that proved to be safer for riders. This was also when pneumatic tires and freewheeling wheels were introduced, making bicycling smoother and easier than it had been before.

The bicycle frame is typically made from composite materials, which have proven to be stronger than the metals, steel, and alloy steel that were used prior to the 1990s. Stainless steel is used in various components, including the brakes and chains.

The bicycle's seat is often covered in nylon or plastic, the latter of which is also used on the handlebars. Nylon is a plastic-based synthetic, and plastics come from petroleum. And this is all before we get to the manufacturing process, which involves many machines which could not operate properly without proper lubricants ... made from petroleum.



Hey man! Check out this video to see how my cool ride was made!



Excerpts from Petroleum Service Company from April 7, 2017



Some believe that Leonardo da Vinci may have envisioned the first bicycle as early as 1490, but he never tried to build it and his drawings weren't found until the 1960s.



Gov. Lujan Grisham vetoes tax exemption for small oil and gas wells in New Mexico

By Adrian Hedden, Carlsbad Current-Argus
(Excerpted. See website for remainder of article.)

Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham vetoed a measure to exempt New Mexico's smaller oil and gas wells from taxes paid on fossil fuels extracted, drawing the ire of Republicans and industry supporters. Senate Bill 64, sponsored by Sen. Ron Griggs (R-34) of Alamogordo would have exempted low-performing or "stripper" wells from severance taxes operators pay to produce oil and gas in New Mexico. It was intended to reduce expenses for small oil and gas companies in New Mexico, and specified the money saved would go to bringing these wells into compliance with state environmental rules.

SB 64 was added to House 252, a package of tax bills that passed both the House and Senate and sent to Lujan Grisham's desk for signature into law. Before she did that, Lujan Grisham removed SB 64's language via a line-item veto that allows governors to reject specific portions of bills before they become law. The Independent Petroleum Association of New Mexico, which represents smaller producers, slammed the veto immediately as it was announced. President Jim Winchester said Lujan Grisham unfairly penalized oil companies that were already struggling to stay afloat.

"Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham continues her assault on small-business independent producers with her veto of the stripper well tax provision, which had bipartisan backing," Winchester said. "This carefully crafted tax treatment would have provided measurable benefits to the environment by substantially reducing emissions from small producers' low-production wells."

In a message to lawmakers, Lujan Grisham argued the language only exempted certain wells based on their oil and gas production levels, wells that could be owned by large companies. Large oil companies often drill wells and then sell them to smaller companies when the wells reach the end of their lifetime. But many large companies still own wells that would qualify as stripper wells, typically producing up to 15 barrels of oil per day, Lujan Grisham argued, meaning the tax exemption might not meet its purported purpose of supporting small businesses.

"Although I appreciate the intent behind this measure (i.e. to encourage stripper well operators to come into compliance with current regulations), the exemption should be limited to small and independent operators," Lujan Grisham wrote. She pointed to the bill's applicability, as written, to "the operator of a well" that Lujan Grisham contended could mean large companies that own small wells. She also said the bill needed additional language to limit the state's revenue loss should the exemption be enacted. "This would disproportionately benefit larger companies, substantially decrease state revenue, and work to counter my administrations climate change goals," Lujan Grisham wrote.

She said she hoped to continue working on the language to reach a compromise on the matter ahead of next year's 60-day legislative session, in a statement emailed to the Carlsbad Current-Argus. "I'm thankful to Senator Griggs for his leadership on this issue and I'm looking forward to tightening the language around stripper and small-producing wells ahead of the 60-day session," Lujan Grisham said. Griggs maintained the tax exemption he sponsored was needed to bring stripper wells, often perceived as struggling to meet state requirements on air pollution emissions and other environmental impacts, into compliance with state law. He said those opposing the bill were enemies of the oil and gas industry.

"It would appear that the whole goal is to do away with fossil fuel," Griggs said. "If you produce energy cleanly, how can you say it's bad for New Mexico?" Oil and gas revenue made up about 40 percent of New Mexico's revenue in the last fiscal year and was credited with driving a recent \$3.5 billion budget surplus lawmakers were tasked with spending for Fiscal Year 2025.

April

Dates to remember:

West Region Meeting
Corpus Christi, TX
April 18-20

Black Gold Golf Tournament
August 8

Industry Appreciation
September 19

Committee Meetings

Industry Appreciation:
April 4, 5:30pm, Peppers

Golf Tournament:
TBD



April Member Meeting.

Tuesday, April 9th
Noon
Elk's Club

Menu: Chicken Enchiladas

Speaker:
Paul Ragsdale and Matt Eales
Targa

March Meeting Review

John Worrall with Manzano Energy Partners gave us some very interesting history on oil companies in Roswell and where they all are today.

April Meeting Preview

Paul Ragsdale and Matt Eales with Targa will talk about carbon sequestration and 45Q

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Jackie presenting our donation to the Walker Aviation Museum.

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