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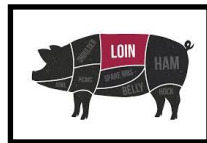
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Tri-State Desk and Derrick

April 2024

Editor's April Musings

Today is April 8, 2024, the day all of the Tri-State area, as well as people from Texas to Maine, have been anxiously awaiting for the once-in-a-lifetime chance to experience a total eclipse of the sun. Even the weather couldn't have been more perfect as Gary and I watched the spectacle through our special eclipse glasses from the patio. I hope you and your family had a safe and enjoyable three-minute or maybe even an extended weekend experience.



As mentioned in the March minutes and in President Emily VanHaften's April letter, our April meeting has been moved to Friday, April 19th at noon at John Girot's grilling emporium. Not only will you be able to enjoy a delicious lunch al fresco, you'll get an up close and personal understanding of how much work John and the grilling crew put into making the Tri-State's Pork Loin Fundraiser a success year after year. Be sure to tell them how much we appreciate what they do and don't forget to bring an appropriate container to transport your loin(s) home after the meeting.

I've included an abbreviated article on page 5 about off shore wind farms and a new super size aircraft designed to transport wind turbine components, but Mother Nature put on quite a show in the tri-state area this past week without any specialized equipment. My back is aching from spending the afternoon picking up several cartful's of small limbs and sticks to clear the yard for Gary's mowing. But, we were lucky. Some of our neighbors lost roofs, outbuildings, and even entire homes from straight-line winds and the several EF1 and EF2 tornadoes which struck the area. I hope you and your family survived the storms with minimal or no damage.

It's tax time again. To avoid a late penalty and possible interest, you need to be sure to file your Federal and State returns or file a request for an extension by Monday, April 15th. Even if you file for an extension and you owe taxes, the payment is still due by April 15th. If you pay estimated taxes, your first quarter estimates for 2024 are also due by April 15th. With all the stress of meeting tax deadlines for their clients, it's no wonder why your accountant may decide to take a well-deserved day off on April 16th.



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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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HAPPY SPRING!

I hope everyone got their clocks turned ahead and weren't late for anything!

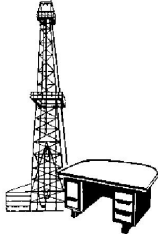
April starts the Region Meetings. Ours will be in May. Looking forward to seeing lots of members in attendance! Registration packets are available on the ADDC website. Don't forget to book your hotel room! Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me!

Just a reminder that TAXE1 forms must be filed and sent to Lisa Ricchiuto, NE rep for TAX EXEMPT – US, or to Jennifer Smith – Tax Exempt – US chairman by May 15, 2024. So far, Penn York, Three Rivers and the Northeast Region Fund have submitted their forms. Still need Tuscarawas Valley and Tri-State forms.

Still looking for committee reps for ADDC Committees. Need reps for Club Bylaws, Education/Certification, Membership, Public Relations, Leadership, Marketing and Technology committees. Thank you to those who have so graciously volunteered so far! I appreciate you!

Until next month ---

Shelly Hildebrant
2024 Northeast Region Director



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Happy Spring Everyone! I hope everyone had a great Easter, it was such a beautiful Easter weekend!

Our porkloin fundraiser is scheduled for April 19th at John Girot's house. Please have your numbers turned into Michael by April 10th so we can secure how many we need to order.

Our next meeting has been moved to April 19th as well. It will be hosted at John Girot's house at 12 pm CST. We discussed holding this meeting during the pork loin fundraiser in hopes to get members there to see the work and dedication it takes in order to put this event on. Lunch will be sponsored by the club. If you plan to attend please RSVP to Debbie when she sends out the meeting notice. We hope everyone can come out for a little while!

Our scholarship application deadline was April 1, 2024. The scholarship committee will be getting together and reviewing the applications and then will present to the club.

I will be attending the NE Region meeting in May as Tri State's delegate and Hilary VanHaften will be attending as the alternate. If there is anything that you would like us to bring up during the business meeting that you have questions or concerns about, please reach out to one of us. We are looking forward to representing this club at the meeting.

If you have any ideas on speakers for any of the meetings, please reach out to myself or Alesia. If you would like to share or write an article to be published in the Tri State Newsletter, please send to myself or our editor Donna Hartig.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily VanHaften



BIG AND BIGGER AND THEN SOME

Author: Donna L. Hartig

You know how sometimes you start looking for one thing on the internet and it keeps leading you down the rabbit hole until you come up with something else entirely or you sometimes become totally lost? That's kind of what happened when I started researching for something I thought would be interesting for this issue of the Tri-State News.

It started off with an article I saw announcing the first U.S. commercial-scale offshore wind farm activating its first two turbines on December 6, 2023, and expecting all 12 SG 11-200 DD Siemens Gamesa turbines to be installed early in 2024. Built by Danish wind energy developer Ørsted and the utility Eversource, the South Fork Wind farm is located thirty-five miles east of Montauk Point, New York and is expected to power approximately 70,000 Long Island homes. Although there are smaller offshore wind farms, South Fork Wind is the first to begin delivering clean power to the local electric grid; and according to New York Gov. Kathy Hochul, this is just the beginning.

This spring, Ørsted and Eversource is beginning work on a wind farm more than five times the size of South Fork Wind named Revolution Wind which will become Rhode Island's and Connecticut's first commercial-scale offshore wind farm capable of powering more than 350,000 homes next year. The State of New York is also in the process of negotiating with Ørsted and Eversource for an even bigger wind farm named Sunrise Wind to power 600,000 homes. Then, not to be outdone, Norwegian company Equinor has been chosen for the Empire Wind 1 project to power more than 500,000 New York homes. Both of these later projects are projected to be operational in 2026.

If you have ever gotten close to the components for a wind turbine, especially the propeller blades, you know how massive they are and what it takes to transport that kind of size and weight from its manufacturing site to its installation site.



Getting back to my rabbit hole experience, my search took me to an article about a startup company in Colorado called Radia which is building what is being termed a “colossal cargo plane which will reshape wind energy logistics” called the WindRunner. Not only will this new aircraft be mammoth in its size. it will be able to operate from semi-prepared airstrips as short as 6,000 feet allowing access to remote locations that other large cargo aircraft cannot reach.

This capability promises to open a wide range of potential wind farm sites previously inaccessible to large cargo planes and significantly expand the reach of onshore wind energy development. Further, the Windrunner's specialized cargo handling system features a large nose cargo door that allows blades to be easily maneuvered in and out of the aircraft; and its custom-built loading mechanism is designed to streamline the process of transporting turbine components, minimize ground time, and maximize efficiency.

This short article couldn't begin to explain all the innovations and expectations for the WindRunner, but you can read more about it at www.borntoengineering.com and view pictures!



Tristate Desk and Derrick Club March 21, 2024, Minutes

The March meeting was held as a virtual meeting on March 21, 2024. The following members were present: Emily VanHaaften, Debbie Kennard, Jennifer Birkner, Michael Nelligan, Beth Etzkorn, Stacey Dover, and Donna Hartig.

President Emily VanHaaften called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

Minutes of February 15, 2024, were published in the newsletter. President VanHaaften asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, Stacey Dover made the motion to approve the minutes as published, seconded by Beth Etzkorn, motion carried.

Treasurer Jennifer Birkner read the financial report. Donna Hartig made the motion to approve the treasurer's report subject to audit. Debbie Kennard seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Under Old Business:

President VanHaaften reported on the IOGA Convention held March 4th – March 6th at the Old National Events Plaza. Half pot winner was Joe Hahn for \$1,255.00. Thanks to Emily VanHaaften, Donna Hartig and Beth Etzkorn for their help with the half pot. We are out of the pizza cutters and jar openers give-a-ways. Will need give-a-ways for October's INOGA meeting. Ask for suggestions, maybe change to something different. Multiple recommendations were made, and we are going to do further research and report back. If ADDC is put on the give-a-way will have to get approval.

Pork Loin fundraiser is set for April 19, 2024. Michael Nelligan asked for the total count to be in by April 12th.

Reminder of the upcoming Northeast Region Meeting scheduled for May 16th thru May 18th. Beth Etzkorn made a motion since there was no quorum present to send an email to the membership for a vote to nominate Emily VanHaaften as the delegate for Tri-State Desk and Derrick at the Northeast Region Meeting, and Hilary VanHaaften as an alternate. Stacey Dover seconded the motion and it passed.

Emily VanHaaften reported she has received only one scholarship application to date. Beth Etzkorn said she had one student that was going to submit one and asked if transcripts were required. Discussed requirements and reaching back out to Michael Nelligan's Indiana schools contacts and CEO programs as reminder of the deadline. Stacey Dover will put information again in Scout Check and Roughneck publications. May have to extend deadline but will play by ear.

New Business:

Emily VanHaaften reported Kelli Hildebrant sent an email reaching out to Tri-State Desk and Derrick to host the 2026 Convention. We are reluctant since we just hosted a meeting. We have

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Tri-State Deck and Derrick Club
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four clubs in the NE Region. It was suggested if each club could take a part of the convention, it would lessen the burden on one club hosting and taking responsibility for the whole event. Discussed change of location. Suggestions were Owensboro, St. Louis, Nashville, Ohio, and Louisville. Convention was held in St. Louis in 2013. Emily VanHaafte will send out an email to all club presidents and ask them to talk to their members to get input. Will have more information in May.

Stacey Dover gave a quick tutorial on the WebEx program used for virtual meetings to assist members with logging in and explained the uses of the icons at the bottom of screen.

Emily VanHaafte organized the program for the evening. It was part of episode 402 from Hometown Energy, hosted by Seth Whitehead with Ross Bassnet. Discussed the future of electric cars, pros and cons, and examples of how the oil and gas industry will still be needed.

Next meeting will be Friday, April 19, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. at John Girot's during the pork loin fundraiser. Lunch will be served. Will send information out with monthly invitation.

Donna Hartig made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Beth Etzkorn seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Kennard
Secretary

SPRING 2024 PORK LOIN SALE!

\$30 / Loin - Approx 4.5 lbs. Each

**Proceeds Benefit the Tri-State Desk & Derrick
Scholarship Fund**

**Order by April 12th for April 19th Cook and
Delivery Date**

Meat will be cooked near Carmi, IL by
John Girot, Warren Services Co,
Jonathan Girot, Warren Services Co,
Volunteers from CountryMark
and Tri-State Desk and Derrick

Loins will be picked up and delivered
by club members unless otherwise
arranged by customer.

*Any questions: Michael Nelligan, Tri-State Desk & Derrick Club
812-833-2520 or michael.nelligan@countrymark.com*

Name, E-Mail & Phone Number	Qty. Loins	Paid

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Happy April Birthday to:

Sean Hopf April 1

Alesia Cato April 11

