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Elle Gallagher, Editor

Educating Our Future

August 2024

Dear Members,

The month of August has begun and as summer winds down I hope that each one of you has had time to enjoy our warm and lazy days. It is time to look forward to students returning to school and college to continue their education. We are blessed to have the opportunity in this great country to offer an education to all. I also hope that all of us enjoyed some type of vacation or rest these past few months. It helps to recharge our batteries during the year with a little down time!

As you now know, I was the surprise speaker last month. I spoke about Archeology and the laws requiring clearances before a company can create roads or drill on Federal and BLM land. I also spoke a little about my career as an archeologist. I hope you enjoyed the presentation.

We will not hold our regular September meeting, but instead will have our Industry Appreciation dinner on September 19th at the Civic Center. The social is from 5:30-6:30 pm and dinner will start at 6:30 pm. Our speaker will be Daniel Turner, Founder and Executive Director of Power the Future (PTF). If you did not hear him speak at our last Convention, you will not want to miss this presentation. The invitations will go out soon so be sure to remind your employers and get those RSVP's in by September 12. Be sure to invite any other interested people you may know.

The Black Gold Golf Tournament is scheduled for August 8th. Please volunteer to help! It will only take the morning of the tournament and it is great fun! We still need donations of door prizes if you have anything to donate.

The ADDC Convention is in Dallas, Texas on September 24-28. I sent out the registration packets recently. If you did not get it, let me know. It should be a wonderful time in Dallas.

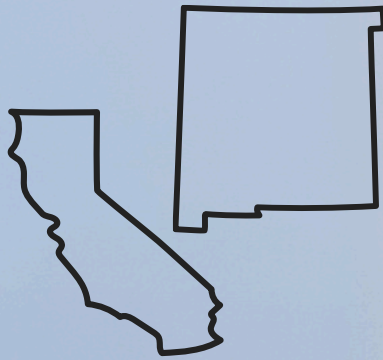
And finally, a sad note. We have had a family tragedy and lost our Son-in-Law. I am headed to Washington state soon to be with my daughter. I will stay until she has her baby and probably some after that. I am coordinating with her Mother-in-Law to see how we can cover her 24/7 even after the baby comes. Her due date is September 6. Jan Starnes, our VP is taking over for now. I hope to be back for Industry Appreciation, but things are a little complicated right now. I will keep you informed and ask that you pray for healing and peace for my family.

Thank you to our members for all your assistance this year. I am honored to be working with such dedicated and professional people. Our club is blessed with the best.

Jackie Hewett
2024 President

Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future.

John F. Kennedy



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ADDC Membership



I am pleased to announce that we have surpassed our membership goal by 3! We have 618 members (one being a student).

We have 16 members registered for the convention so far! Get your registration in as soon as possible. It helps the GAC's with planning and it can all assure you will get your first choice for field trips and seminars.

By now you should have received information for discussion of a new board position we would call "Club Liaison". This position would replace our (4) Region Directors and eliminate the regions. One thought is this would drastically cut board expenses. Another thought is that it is becoming increasingly more difficult for members to want to move up therefore less volunteers to find. Also, it is very difficult for the smaller regions to host regional meetings. We are working on the qualifications for this position. If passed, this would go into effect January 1, 2026.

Please send your RD's any questions you may have so that we can address these before the Convention. As I mentioned last month, during the Convention we will discuss and only vote on having a MAIL VOTE for this amendment.

"Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail." –Ralph Waldo Emerson

**Sincerely,
 Wendy Sparks**

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August 2024

Dear West Region Members:

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As I outlined in my July letter, we will be voting on several proposed changes at Convention (and by mail vote afterwards, as appropriate).

In my mind, the two proposals that warrant the most discussion are:

- **Alternating Region meetings and Convention yearly with virtual business meetings for the Association on off-years for Convention. This proposal leans on the support of two-year Officer terms.**

- **New: Eliminate Regions, therefore eliminating Region Director Board positions, and introducing a Club Liaison position to represent all the Association Clubs on the Board. This would eliminate Region Meetings and maintain an annual in-person Convention.**

As can be reasoned, we will want to vote in one option or the other, or neither! With only one full month left prior to Convention, it is important to have serious discussions and make decisions on how your Club would like to vote.

As you consider your position on this subject, reasoning for eliminating Region Directors often includes the Associations finances, which I encourage you to investigate before making your decisions. My own conclusions have led me to understand that the Association is financially healthy, with an annual budget in the black for several years now. While it is true that eliminating three board positions will help with the cost for the board to attend Convention, I would be mindful that the Association has the resources for the immediate future to cover those costs, and that three sets of eyes, along years of experience and understanding, will no longer be involved in the functions of the board.

On to less heavy topics. I hope you are all enjoying these summer months and taking opportunities to engage with your fellow Club members. Don't miss out on fair weather activities for social events and educational field trips. As I spend more time in leadership positions and get to hear from our Clubs and members, it seems that those Clubs finding networking and teamwork opportunities gain a lot of stability. Don't be afraid to take a chance on a brown-bag lunch, bowling alley night, or BBQ at so-and-so's house. Those little encounters give us both time and opportunity to get to know each other better, even if the whole club cannot show up in force. We all enjoy and are more likely to attend functions with familiar people, so don't be afraid to spend your Club time building relationships as well as on the educational stuff.

**Many Thanks,
 Heather Woods**



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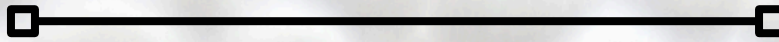
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PETROLEUM PRODUCT OF THE MONTH



STYROFOAM



You hear the roar of a UPS truck and eagerly check the front porch. There they are, they're finally here. New home theater speakers-- the perfect addition to the entertainment system. You pull off the stubborn packaging tape and rip open the box only to face your worst enemy: Styrofoam.

You strategically avoid restaurants that use Styrofoam for their takeout and coffee shops that pour your favorite dark roast into Styrofoam cups. You cringe at the sight and thought of it, but now you must handle it; there's no other way.

Styrophobia is real. It sends chills down some people's spines when they touch it. People cannot stand the sound of it, either they claim it is ear-piercing and just as bad, or worse than nails on a chalkboard. A co-founder of a digital marketing agency in New York City even banned it from the office. So, why can't we seem to escape this repulsive material? Well, it's useful.

Styrofoam's buoyancy has made way for the foam pool noodle, boogie boards, and kick boards children may use to learn how to swim. It's also useful to insulate a home. Since most of the final product is 98% air, it is ideal for shipping because it is lightweight. It can also be re-purposed into different shapes by cutting it. The material is important for medical coolers. The temperature is easy to control and is used to transport vaccine and medicine that needs to be kept cool.

The petroleum-based plastic foam is lightweight and excellent at shock absorbance. It can be molded into any shape and is used to ship fragile items, like electronics and furniture.

We attribute two people in creating Styrofoam as we know it. As an apothecary, Eduard Simon made and sold medicine. He unknowingly discovered polystyrene in 1839. The substance was isolated from natural resin and formed the material's base component. Chemist Hermann Staudinger came along almost a decade later to research elasticity of polymers. He realized what Simon had discovered and decided to investigate the material even more. BASF, the German chemical company, began manufacturing polystyrene commercially.

Ray McIntire combined polystyrene with isobutylene, a highly flammable gas. The Dow Chemical Company then trademarked the name Styrofoam. Several steps are taken to create the uniquely offensive Styrofoam texture. If you look at it closely, Styrofoam is an assembly of small polystyrene foam beads. The beads are small early in the process and grow with a hydrocarbon expanding component. Once hit with steam, each bead becomes approximately 40 times their original size. They are then molded into whichever shape is needed, and hit with more steam until they reach their final shape.

-Excerpts from Petroleum Service Company from June 16, 2017



Want to see how
I'm made?
Check out the
video!



Interesting Information about New Mexico Water

New Mexico Oil & Gas Association

Produced Water

Produced water is a naturally occurring, saline water recovered during oil and gas production. Produced water includes formation water, hydraulic fracturing fluid flowback, and any chemicals added during routine production operations.

Oil and gas operations in the state generate an abundance of produced water. For every barrel of oil produced in New Mexico, for example, three to six barrels of water are produced, giving this water its name of “produced water.”

Once the produced water is separated from the oil and gas, it needs to be either used or disposed of.

Most produced water is disposed of by injecting it into geologic formations that are thousands of feet below the surface and below useable groundwater. The water is injected through water disposal wells. However, reinjecting the water can have unintended consequences. Research has linked deep underground injection of produced water to increases in seismicity in several states, including New Mexico.

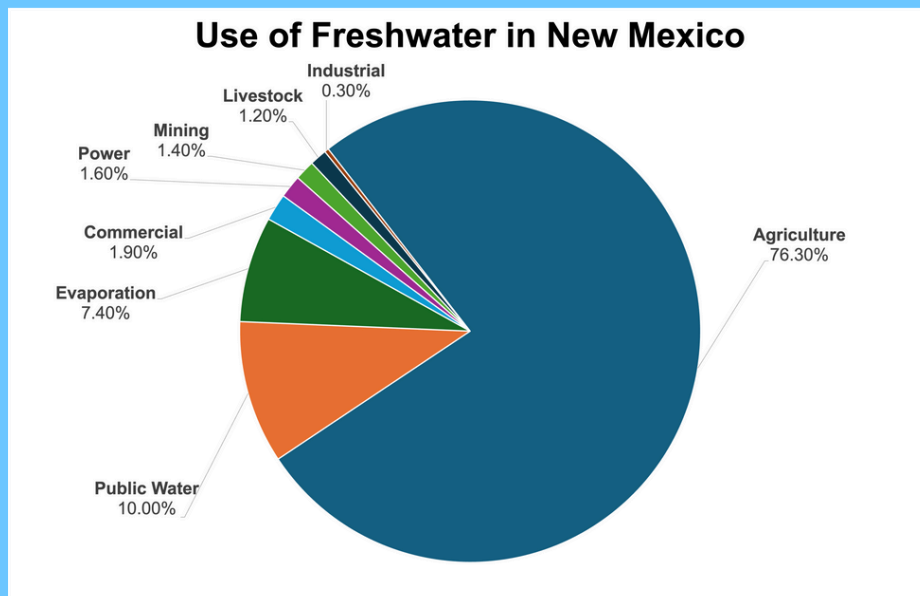
Instead of reinjecting produced water into disposal wells, produced water has the potential to help New Mexico preserve its surface and underground freshwater resources.

Preserving Our Freshwater

Treated produced water is currently being re-used in oil and gas operations to reduce the use of freshwater. Treated produced water also can be used for fire control, to support power generation, and for vehicle and equipment washing. It also can be used for non-edible crop irrigation like cotton.

Private industry and government agencies at the state and federal levels are researching and investing in technology to reduce the cost of treating and reusing produced water to transform produced water from a waste to a resource.

New Mexico State University, working collaboratively with the New Mexico Environment Department, is host to the New Mexico Produced Water Research Consortium, a trans-disciplinary public-private partnership advancing scientific and technological solutions to treat, and reuse produced water generated by the oil and gas industry.



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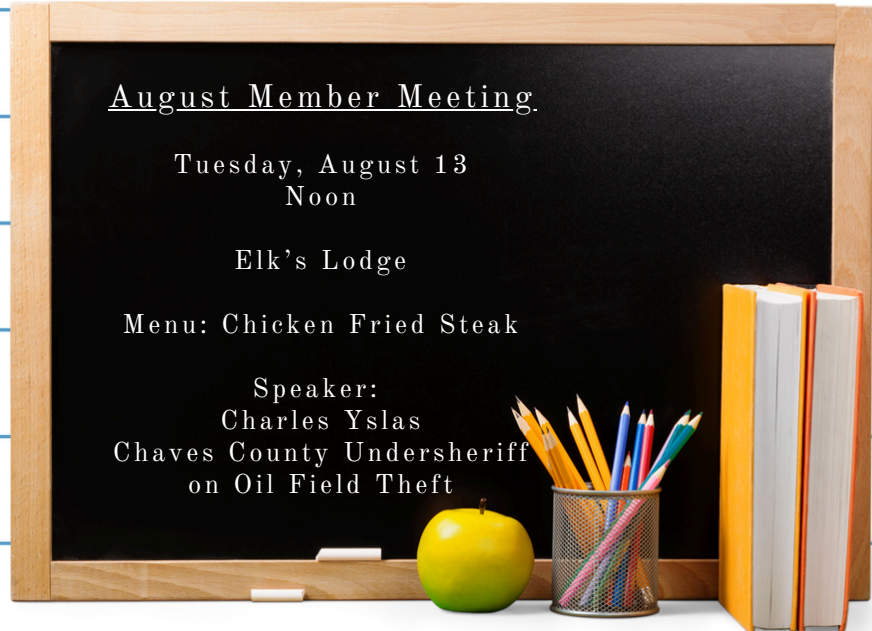


Dates to remember:

Black Gold Golf Tournament
August 8

Industry Appreciation
September 19

ADDC Convention
September 23-27



August Member Meeting.

Tuesday, August 13
Noon

Elk's Lodge

Menu: Chicken Fried Steak

Speaker:
Charles Yslas
Chaves County Undersheriff
on Oil Field Theft

Committee Meetings

None currently scheduled



JANE ANDRUS 1

MARY WHITLOW 7

JAN STARNES 25

KELLY BARAJAS 26



LOCAL 2024 BIZ EXPO

FREE ENTRY

OVER 20 POP UP SHOPS!

AUGUST 10TH, 2024
10-4PM
ROSWELL CONVENTION CENTER

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2024

POLICE - COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

JOIN US ON AUGUST 6TH
to enjoy free hot dogs, games, raffles and an open swim!

National Night Out will take place on **Tuesday, August 6, 2024** from **6PM to 8:30PM** at the **Roswell Recreation & Aquatic Center, 1402 W. College.**

ROIWELL New Mexico

Free swim begins at 6:15pm, max. 200 people at a time. Outdoor pool only.

Police-Community Partnerships
Hosted by the Roswell Police Department and Roswell Fire Department

FARMERS MARKET

JULY 8 - OCTOBER 14
CHAVES CO. COURTHOUSE 7 A.M. - 11 A.M.

- GREAT FAMILY FUN**
Families can enjoy a range of fun activities at the farmers market, including live music, and children's activities.
- FRESH & LOCAL**
The farmers market is the perfect place to find locally grown, fresh and nutritious fruits and vegetables.
- LOCAL CRAFTERS**
The vendors at the local farmers market showcase their handmade goods and unique talents.
- GREAT FOOD**
The farmers market features a selection of homemade food made with love and care by local vendors.

CONTACT: Peggy Seskey 575-208-8238

Produce must be locally grown in New Mexico | These selling food must be USDA Certified for safe food handling | All crafts must be locally hand made

Download forms at **WWW.MAINSTREETROSWELL.ORG**

FREE TO THE PUBLIC
Connecting Community with Resources

CHAVES COUNTY **Health Expo**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24
8AM-12PM | ROSWELL CONVENTION CENTER

DRAWINGS • GIVE AWAYS • BACKPACKS • BICYCLES • GIFT CARDS

Blood Glucose Checks • Blood Pressure Checks • Cancer Assessments
Heart Risk Assessments • Eye Screening • Dental Screening • Community Resources

PEACHTREE VILLAGE BINGO NIGHT

1301 W COUNTRY CLUB RD
Friday, August 23rd
6 - 7 PM

PUBLIC WELCOME LIMITED SEATING

Winner(s) of games 1-6 will receive \$5 Target Gift Card
Game 7 winner will receive \$100 Target Gift Card*

RSVP by 8/21 to (575) 627-8070 or mcasarez@peachtreeret.com
21 and over, 2 card maximum, no charge for cards

* If more than one winner for Game 7, a drawing will determine winner of \$100 Gift Card