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Westbank Club President's Message

Dear Members:

Hope you all had a lovely and wonderful Easter holiday. Between March and April, spring break is happening all over our country. Children are enjoying their time off with parents and friends. What about you? Have you begun that work in the garden? Opened your windows to feel the fresh air? Are you enjoying your children or grandchildren by going to a park for a picnic? Or the zoo? The plants are blooming, the air seems fresher and most of us have a spring in our steps as we look forward to more enjoyable weather. This is the time of renewal and rebirth.

This month, our club is celebrating 36 years! So this is an appropriate time to honor those ladies who have served as club president throughout those years. Our April General Meeting will also be a celebration of the membership and their dedication and contribution to Westbank. For without you – the MEMBERS – our club would not have experienced so many accomplishments. Thank YOU!

The April meeting speaker will be Will Hatcher from the FBI. He will describe the *Cyber Threat and the specific Petro-Chem SCADA Threat*. Our March speaker was outstanding! Dr. Bob Thomas with Loyola University presented: *Oil and Gas in Louisiana: A Legacy Whose Story Has a Bright Future*. According to Dr. Thomas, our wetlands can be restored. The Louisiana Legislature will be debating a bill on this subject during this session. We encourage you to research this bill and contact your representatives with your thoughts.

Our regional meeting was held in Laurel, Mississippi at the end of March. Kathy Denley, Region III Director, performed admirably as our leader and the Laurel Club presented educational field trips and seminars, a wonderful industry speaker as well as an entertaining time. Dorothy Dishman, member of the Houma Club, was elected 2013 RD-Elect. Westbank won numerous awards at the Awards Luncheon: Third Place – Large Bulletin, Best President's Letter; Second Place – Best Industry Article, Best Desk and Derrick Program; and First Place – Best Industry Program, Best Industry Seminar and Best Industry Field Trip. **Congratulations** to our hard working and dedicated Westbank Members – you make us very proud!!

REMEMBER – our April 25th General Membership Meeting will be at Boomtown in the Thibodaux Room!!

Theresa

Till next month... Far away in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead.

Louisa May Alcott



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April 2012

To All Region III Members

Spring is definitely here and with it comes new energy. We are into Day Light Savings time when everyone enjoys the extra daylight in the evenings to do yard work and other activities.

I hope everyone invited at least one member to your March Desk and Derrick meeting to celebrate Desk and Derrick Awareness Month.

As you read this newsletter everyone has returned home from another successful Region III Meeting. The Laurel Club did a fabulous job and I want to thank them from the bottom of my heart for making this a truly educational and knowledgeable meeting. It was an honor to serve over this Region III Meeting and I will always treasure the memories.

The 61st ADDC Annual Convention will be held September 19 – September 23, 2012 at the Skirvin Hilton Hotel. Information is currently available on the ADDC website with registration information to follow soon.

Just a reminder to turn in the Program Reports to the Region Rep. no later than one week after the meeting is held. You must submit a report even if <u>NO</u> **MEETING IS HELD**.

I hope everyone has a Happy Easter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at Kathy.Denley@Valero.com or 504-278-5252.





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Yes, spring has sprung! The spring flowers, allergies, and Region Meetings are blooming wildly. By the time you read this letter, the first of the region meetings will be over, as Region III meeting was held in Laurel, Mississippi at the end of March. It was an honor to attend with ADDC Secretary Connie Harrison and represent the ADDC Board as we enjoyed the field trips and seminars and the excitement of the election of the 2013 Region Director. And, that excitement continues this month. The Region VI Meeting, presided over by RD Mark Loch, will be held in Liberal, Kansas. I will be attending the meeting with Theresa Adams, ADDC Executive Assistant. A week later, you'll find me in Carbondale. Illinois at the Region II Meeting with RD Linda Welty. At the same time, President-Elect Marilyn Carter will be attending the Region I Meeting in Canton, Ohio with RD Maggi Franks and Vice President Linda Clark will be with RD Melissa Spencer in Wichita Falls, Texas for the Region V Meeting. Please take the opportunity to spend some time getting to know us the ADDC officers represent you the members and are here to serve your interests

The Rules Committee has distributed the proposed amendments to the ADDC Bylaws and Standing Rules. Your first opportunity to discuss them will be at your region meeting. The Crossroads of Energy can lead you on a very valuable educational journey to one of these region meetings, where you will have opportunity to learn about local industries and seminar topics and the processes that make ADDC work like a well-oiled machine.

Effective April 2, members will need a NEW PASSWORD to access the "Members Only" sections of the ADDC website. Please contact your Club President or Region Director for the new password. Do NOT publish the password in any bulletin, club letters, etc. that may be sent to non-members.

Now that April is upon us, we also face tax time. Remember that all clubs must file the TAXE1 form before May 15th with the U.S. Tax Exempt Committee. In addition to filing this form with ADDC, each club is responsible for filing the appropriate tax form with the IRS. The Form 990 or Form 990EZ is required if revenue is over \$50,000 or Form 990N if revenue is less than \$50,000. If you have any questions, please contact Vicki Newman, U.S. Tax Exempt Chairman.

Mark your calendars for the 61st Annual ADDC Convention which will be held September 19-23, 2012 at the Skirvin Hilton in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Convention plans are in progress. Registration packets will soon be available on the ADDC website and updates on Convention plans are available at www.2012addcconvention.com. The Red Earth Desk and Derrick Club members are planning a "Roaring" time for us in September.

The Crossroads are calling – time for a ROAD TRIP!!

Westbank Oil Patch

Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs

Regional A.I.M.E.E. Award of Merit

presented to

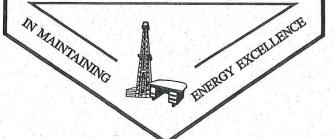
Region III Goes to College

Keith Tolleson, Ray Frey, and Javier Guerrero – *Speakers* Angie Duplessis and Galyen Guillory – *Coordinators*

Westbank

2012 Best Industry Field Trip 1st Place

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT



Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs

Regional A.I.M.E.E. Award of Merit

presented to
Southeast Louisiana Flood Authority
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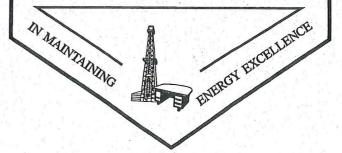
Susan Maclay – Speaker Susan Miller and Bonnie Wall – Coordinators

Westbank

2012 Best Industry Program

1st Place

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presented to

Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

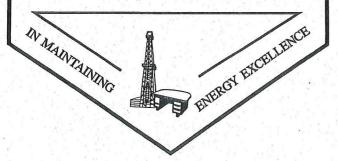
Michelle Lauer – Speaker

Cora Bergeron – Coordinator Westbank

2012 Best Industry Seminar

1st Place

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT



Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs

Regional A.I.M.E.E. Award of Merit

presented to

Motion Industries - December
Cora Bergeron - Author

Westbank

2012 Best Industry Article

2nd Place REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

EMERGY EXCELLENCE

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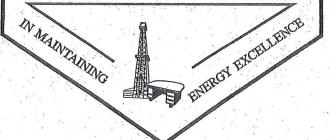
presented to

Desk and Derrick Quiz Bowl Elaine Lesnak – Speaker/Coordinator

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2012 Best Desk and Derrick Program

2nd Place
REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT



Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs

Regional A.I.M.E.E. Award of Merit

presented to

Westbank Oil Patch – June 2011

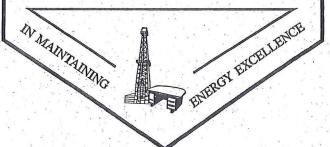
Bonnie Wall – Editor

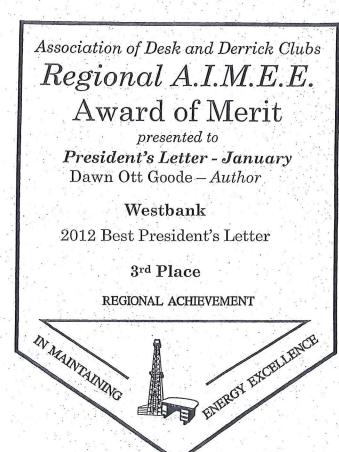
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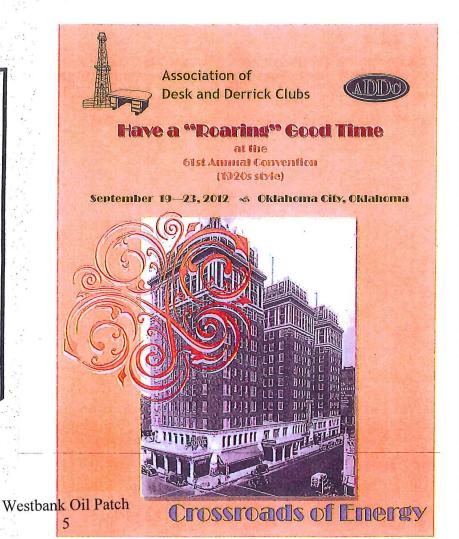
2012 Best Large Bulletin

3rd Place

REGIONAL ACHIEVEMENT







BOEM Environmental Enforcement Program Ramps Up

Submitted By: Charles Miller

Included in the efforts to enhance safety and environmental regulations and standards is an increased focus on environmental compliance/oversight. The Environmental Enforcement Division (EED) was established as part of the Bureau to marshal all environmental compliance efforts under a single program and compliment the compliance function with increased enforcement authority and improved evaluations of mitigation measures. Mitigation measures are actions or conditions that a leaseholder agrees to within the lease instrument for those specific lease operations.

Centrally located in the Headquarters structure of BSEE, the EED has Environmental Officers and support staff in each Regional office. A main focus of the EED personnel is monitoring and conducting inspections on operations not generally covered by the Safety Program such as: seismic surveys, pipe lay work, anchoring, decommissioning, and artificial —reef emplacements. These types of operations are subject to activity-specific environmental mitigation, lease stipulations, and conditions of approval.

Environmental Enforcement staff will reinforce the Safety Inspectors who work out of the District Offices in each Region with air and water quality oversight and other pollution issues.

In its first quarter of existence, EED personnel have established foundational policies, led a damage-assessment survey for an impacted deepwater benthic community, and conducted a field Mitigation Evaluation Assessment of a new-archaeological-resource mitigation. In future newsletters, the EED will be reporting the issuance of several Incidents of Noncompliance currently pending, and additional field monitoring and inspection efforts.

Field Trip Friday May 11th, 2012 Time: 10am

CINTAS

625 Elmwood Park Blvd. Harahan, LA 70123

Cintas is a Service Provider of Work Uniforms and Apparel, Restroom Supplies and Safety Mat Service as well as First Aid, Document Management and Fire Protection Services. We will be shown a slide presentation and tour the facility. A light lunch will be provided.

All Members & Guests are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Cora Bergeron no later than Monday May 7, 2012. Work Phone# 504)391-6286, Cell#504)615-6963, Home# 504)394-7538



2012 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND BOARD CONTACT

COMMITTEE	CHAIRPERSON	BOARD CONTACT
AIMEE	Bonnie Wall	Dawn Goode
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MEMORY BOOK	Cheryl Leboeuf/Linda Tillis	Pam Lauckner
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PR / LIC /EMPLOYMENT	Pam Lauckner	Self
SCHOLARSHIP	Gaylen Guillory	Susan Miller
COMMUNITY RELATIONS PROJECTS	Susan Miller	Self

2012 Meeting Dates

BOARD MEETINGS	GENERAL MEETINGS	
January 11, 2012 *	January 25, 2012	
February 15, 2012	February 22, 2012	
March 14, 2012 **	March 21, 2012 **	
April 18, 2012	April 25, 2012	
May 16, 2012	May 23, 2012	
June 20, 2012	June 27, 2012	
NO MEETING IN JULY		
August 15, 2012	August 22, 2012	
September 12, 2012 ***	September 26, 2012	
October 17, 2012	October 24, 2012	
November 7, 2012 ****	November 14, 2012 ****	
December 5, 2012 *****	December 11, 2012 ***** TUESDAY	

- Early date due to President's obligations to ADDC President
- ** Early dates due to Regional Meeting date.
- *** Early date due to Convention date
- **** Early dates due to Thanksgiving Holidays
- ***** Early dates due to Christmas Holidays

Save the Tate

Spring Social -

Painting with a Twist

April 14, 2012

Field Trip -

Cintas Corporation

Friday, May 11, 2012

Scholarship Fundraiser -

Bunco

August 11, 2012

2012 ADDC Convention - Oklahoma City, OK

Skirvin Hotel

September 18-22, 2012

2013 ADDC Convention – Charleston, WV Charleston Town Center Marriott

September 24-28, 2013

2014 ADDC Convention -

Lafayette, LA Hilton Lafayette

September 24-28, 2014





DESK AND DERRICK CLUBS

MOTTO

Greater Knowledge - Greater Service

CLUB PURPOSE

The purpose of this club shall be to promote the education and professional development of individuals employed in or affiliated with the petroleum, energy, and allied industries and to educate the general public about these industries.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Club is to enhance and foster a positive image to the global community by promoting the contribution of the petroleum, energy and allied industries through education by using all resources available.

OIL PATCH

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Monthly General membership Meeting held the fourth Wednesday of each month at The Holiday Inn Westbank Tower, 275 Whitney Avenue, Gretna, Louisiana Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

Visit our web site: http://www.westbankdandd.org/