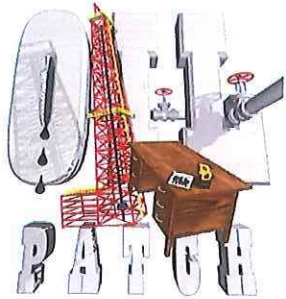


DESK AND DERRICK CLUB OF THE WESTBANK



October-November
2015

Volume 39 Issue 4

Inside this issue:

President's Letter	1
Region III Director Letter	2
ADDC President's Letter	3
How Well Do You Know Gulf Coast	4
Holiday Brunch	5
About Our Organization	6

2015 Board of Directors

PRESIDENT
Bonnie Wall

VICE PRESIDENT
Gaylen Guillory

RECORDING SECRETARY
Dawn Goode

SECRETARY
Dawn Goode

TREASURER
Angie Duplessis

DIRECTORS
Theresa Adams
Cora Bergeron

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
Susan Miller

Desk and Derrick Club of the Westbank
P. O. Box 2875
Gretna, LA 70054-2875
Editor: Angie Duplessis

Westbank President's Letter

Dear Members,

WE'RE BAAAAAAACK!" The Desk and Derrick annual convention in Lubbock was awesome, educational, fun, informative and fattening. It was great seeing old friends and making new acquaintances, over 35 First Timers Our new President, Connie Harrison, has been working diligently for the past year making plans to lead our new board with new and progressive ideas for the future growth of our organization. The official photo disc that will give you a pictorial day-by-day description of convention happenings will be shown when it is received. The field trips, seminars, social events, business meetings and speakers were exceptionally outstanding. Yes, as we have heard, "Everything is Bigger In Texas!" Attendees were keep busy from morning till night. However, that did not stop anyone, with what little spare time there was, from venturing out and enjoying the sights, sounds and scrumptious variety of dinning Lubbock has to offer. The 2017 convention to be held in the "Mild High City", Denver, promises to be just as exciting and even more. ADDO continues to excel as it grows and prospers.

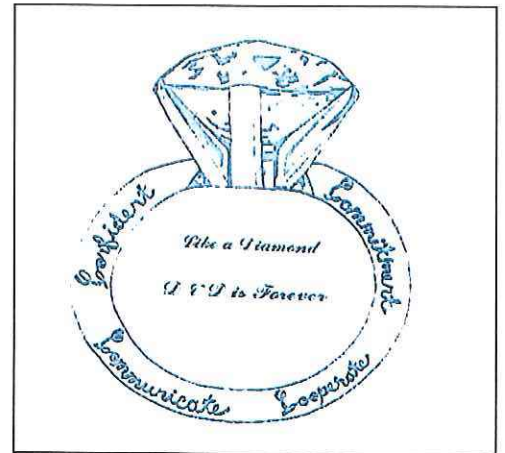
I congratulate and thank all the ladies who will be Westbank's leaders in 2016. It says a lot about these members who are unselfishly giving their time and energies to ensure that membership will have another exceptional year of educational monthly programs, a field trip adventure, participating in community projects, a seminar you will not want to miss, doing fund raising for scholarships and fun socials. What a year it will be.

Just three more months until my term is up. Truly seems like yesterday I started my second time around as president. Westbank will be ending the year in grand style. Orientation by Jo Ann Brown, along with her extraordinary confectionary prizes. A bit of a twist, November will be installation of officers by our own Theresa Adams, who was installed in Lubbock as the 2016 Region III Director, her second time around. A hugh "THANK YOU" for once again bringing her expertise to this important position, as well as, maintaining her position on the foundation board along with Judi Adams. Judi also doing board committee work. Now, a very special super 'THANK YOU' to Royal "Roy" Adams for being "The Man Behind The Westbank D&D Women." Hubby to Theresa and big brother to Judi Adams and soon to be our club president, Gaylen Guillory. December, a fun filled close to another year in our glorious club history.

Happy Birthday to Me, AND

"HAPPY HALLOWEEN EVERYONE"

Bonnie R. Wall



Region III Director



Valina Blanchard

Region III Director

mullen.pfc@glacoxmail.com

blanchard@perryflyingcenter.com

October, 2015

What a wonderful Convention! I wish all of you could have attended to take advantage of the awesome field trips, seminars, symposium, speakers and learning experiences that those who were able to attend could take advantage of! Please make plans to visit San Antonio in 2016 when Connie Harrison continues to share her leadership with everyone.

Elected officers for 2016 are Connie Harrison, President; Maggi Franks, President Elect; Christina Forth-Matthews, Vice President; Penny Jacobs, Secretary and Terry Ligon, Treasurer.

I encourage all presidents to be strong leaders for their club membership. We must continue to grow and help the Association move forward. The 2016 Board will be a strong Board that will accomplish the 2015 and 2016 goals. Presidents can get brochures to send to companies to show them what Desk and Derrick is all about. They can also get them to help solicit new membership. Just contact André at the Ado office and he will gladly assist you.

We have one more edition of the DDJ that will be published this year. If your club has any information or article to send to the DDJ please do so asap.

Spanish EAB's are being given away for us to get to the Spanish speaking children in your area so please contact André at Ado for however many you might need.

Contest deadline is set for December 15, please begin searching for that perfect article, bulletin or field trip to enter on behalf of your club. It is always an honor to place for an AIMEE. Begin preparing right now!

It is time for clubs to get a slate of officers for 2016. Please step up and show everyone that you can lead them, be a strong influence and share your ideas with your board.

Proposed amendment changes will be sent out soon. Don't forget to update your Bylaws should that be required.

Have a scary and fun-filled Halloween!

Val



ASSOCIATION OF
DESK AND DERRICK
CLUBS



Lori L. Landry
 Bean Resources, Inc.
 P. O. Box 52768
 Lafayette, LA 70505

llandry@beanresources.com

Board of Directors

PRESIDENT
Lori L. Landry
 Bean Resources Inc.

PRESIDENT ELECT
Connie Harrison
 Valero Energy Corp.

VICE PRESIDENT
Maggi Franks
 K&E Computer Services

SECRETARY
Mark Loch
 Chaparral Energy LLC

TREASURER
Christina Forth-Matthews
 AOG International

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT
Linda Rodgers
 Process Equipment & Services, Inc.

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
Dorothy Semon
 Estate of J Pat Beaird

PARLIAMENTARIAN
Sheryl Minear, RP
 Silver Oil & Gas, Inc.

REGION I DIRECTOR
Penny Jacobs
 Range Resources-Appalachia LLC

REGION II DIRECTOR
Debra Perjak
 Oelze Equipment Company LLC

REGION III DIRECTOR
Valina Blanchard
 Perry Flying Center, Inc.

REGION IV DIRECTOR
Cindy Miller
 Nabors Completion and Production

REGION V DIRECTOR
Kate Ediger
 First Roswell Company

REGION VI DIRECTOR
Anna Lewis-McBeth
 Continental Resources Inc.

REGION VII DIRECTOR
Deb Porath
 Underground Pipe Inspectors

October, 2015

We have just returned from an outstanding Convention and Educational Conference in Lubbock! For those of you who were unable to attend, you missed an awesome educational experience. Audra Horton, Rena Shaffer and the members of Region V are to be commended for a job well done. Each Region V Club and Member took their responsibilities and tasks seriously and presented an amazing event. From the exciting field trips, dynamic seminars and speakers along with opportunities to connect with our fellow members, it was a great time to be had by all. The Overton Hotel was absolutely beautiful and the management and staff went above and beyond to ensure that all of our needs were met.

This year we had 225 members in attendance, including 33 first-timers. I feel certain that we will see those same first-timers in Denver next year.

Elections were held at our Saturday Business Session, and I would like to congratulate and present to you the officers who lead us for 2016. They, along with the seven Regional Directors, will lead this Association and continue the forward progression of our Association.

President	Connie Harrison
President-Elect	Maggi Franks
Vice-President	Christina Forth-Matthews
Secretary	Penny Jacobs
Treasurer	Terry Ligon

Next month I will provide a more comprehensive recap of Convention, but did want to let you know that Proposed Amendments Nos. 1 and 3 were withdrawn by the club who presented them. The remaining Proposed Amendments all passed and will be effective January 1, 2016. You will be apprised when the updated Bylaws are posted to the ADDC website.

Lori Landry

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW THE GULF COAST AREA?

We live near it; some of us work on it; and others enjoy it for boating and fishing. Besides this, here are some other facts about the cities and areas encompassing the Gulf of México:

- ★ The Mississippi River deposits more than 3.3 million gallons of water into the Gulf every second.
- ★ The Mississippi River contributes more than 90 percent of the fresh water entering the Gulf.
- ★ On a 1699 expedition, Pierre le Moyne and his brother, Jean Baptiste le Moyne, found an area on high bluffs along the Mississippi River. In their diaries, they tell of a pole – stained with the blood of fish and animals – that served as the dividing line between two Native American tribes, the Bayougoula and the Houmas. The blood-stained pole give the town of Baton Rouge its name, which means “red stick” in French.
- ★ The Friendship Oak in Long Beach, MS is more than 500 years old. It is said that those who stand beneath its shade “remain friends through all their lifetime, no matter where fate may take them in after years.”
- ★ The world’s longest man-made beach is located on the Mississippi Gulf Coast – 28 miles long.
- ★ More than 400 species of shells can be found in the Gulf of Mexico. The Gulf beaches are considered the best shelling beaches in North America.
- ★ The word, “Mississippi” means “father of waters,” and “Biloxi” means “first people.”
- ★ The Gulf of Mexico yields more finfish, shrimp, and shellfish annually than the south and mid-Atlantic, Chesapeake, and New England areas combined.
- ★ Bottlenose dolphins are the most common dolphin species and are estimated to number up to 45,000.
- ★ Indian mounds on the campus of Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge were built 450 years before the first Egyptian pyramid.
- ★ In 1703, Mardi Gras was first celebrated in the French colony of Mobile. Years later, it moved to New Orleans which often gets credit for starting the pre-Lenten carnival.
- ★ The Gulf of Mexico Program is located at John C. Stennis Space Center in Mississippi. This federal city, with NASA as the lead, currently comprises the largest concentration of oceanographers engaged in science and research in the world.
- ★ The Lake Pontchartrain Causeway Bridge, at 24 miles long, is the second longest continuous overwater bridge in the world.
- ★ The City of New Orleans is actually built 5 to 17 feet below sea level.

Extracted from *Go Gulf Magazine*

By Dottie Ancona

Christmas Brunch
Saturday, December 12, 2015
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Copeland's of New Orleans
2333 Manhattan Blvd.
Harvey, LA

\$25.00 per person (inclusive)

Bring a \$15 gift to participate in gift exchange!
All entrees include house salad or soup, soft drinks, coffee, or tea. Other beverages are at your cost. Seating is limited to 40.

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Guest of: _____

___ **Eggplant Pirogue** - Cajun-Fired eggplant slices stacked high and smothered in a delicious au gratin sauce with shrimp, served over angel hair pasta.

___ **Tomato Basil Chicken** - grilled chicken breast served alongside angel hair pasta, tossed with plum tomatoes, fresh basil, olive oil, a touch of garlic butter, and topped with parmesan cheese.

___ **Chicken Alfredo** - breaded breast of chicken, fried and served with fettuccine sautéed in Alfredo sauce.

___ **Crab Cake & Shrimp Alfredo** - crab cake on a bed of angel hair pasta, and topped with a light shrimp Alfredo sauce.

Return payment along with your selection to:

Alice Gros
2629 Vulcan Street
Harvey, LA 70058
504-236-4058

or

Angie Duplessis
P. O. Box 2576
Gretna, LA 70054
504-656-3221
aduples1@p66.com

Deadline: Friday, December 4, 2015

Save the Date

Holiday Brunch - Copeland's Restaurant
Harvey, LA
December 12, 2015

2016 Region III Meeting - Morgan City, LA
Holiday Inn
April 21-23, 2016

2016 ADDC Convention - Denver, CO
Crowne Plaza
September 21-24, 2016

2017 ADDC Convention - San Antonio, TX
September 19-24, 2017

2018 ADDC Convention - Evansville, IN
October 3-6, 2018

Happy Birthday

August
2 Cheryl LeBoeuf
11 Gaylen Guillory

September
15 Theresa Adams
16 Judy Guillot

October
17 Bonnie Wall

November
1 Elaine Lesnak
16 Denise Bourg
24 Kori Allemand

December
6 Alice Gros
9 Angie Duplessis
13 Hilda Wood



ASSOCIATION OF 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

Is the official monthly publication of the Desk and Derrick Club of the Westbank. Articles or editorials posted in this newsletter represent the personal opinions of the authors and do not represent the views or opinions of the ADDC organization.

Monthly General membership Meeting held the fourth Wednesday of each month at
Boomtown Casino
4132 Peters Road, Harvey, LA 70058
Meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

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

Westbank Oil Patch