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Club President's Newsletter

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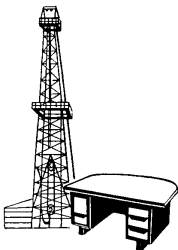
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Dear Westbank Members,

I want to congratulate the Scholarship Committee for their hard work, dedication, and a job well done. You have no idea how intense it is to go through each application packet, making sure that all the information required as per the guidelines is complete, read the essay and recommendation letters; hoping to learn about each applicant and their quest for "Greater Knowledge – Greater Service".

This year our club will offer four (6) \$1000 awards. I am pleased to announce the winners of the 2020 Desk and Derrick Club of the Westbank Scholarships:

Recipient	School	Sponsor
Margo Frost	Centenary College of Louisiana	Bonnie Wall
Autumn Leon	Southeastern University	Bonnie Wall
Leigh Ann LaFrance	Louisiana State University	Vera Ledet
Victoria Miller	Southeastern University	Charles Miller
Robert Schexnayder	Louisiana State University	JoAnn Brown
Brooke Yuspeh	University of Northern Colorado	Vera Ledet



The ADDC Board has cancelled the 2020 Annual Convention in Pittsburgh, PA. As we continue to practice "social distancing" the board has decided to ere on the side of caution and cancel the June General Membership Meeting, along with other club activities. The Bunco fundraiser has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 10th. We hope the COVID-19 situation continues to improve and plan to meet for the August General Membership Meeting.

Remember.....***We Can Do It!***

Angie Duplessis

Monthly Program			
Month	Speaker	Topic	Invocation/Introduction
January	Tristan Babin	ACE Pipeline	
February	Tim Schotsch	Evolution of Waste	Judi
March-June	CANCELLED		
July	NO MEETING		
August	Charlie Miller	TBD	/Judi
September	Tom Bergeon	Climate Change	/Judi
October	Elaine/Zelda	Orientation	
November	TBD	2021 Installation	Judi/Angie
December	NO MEETING		

2020 Meeting Schedule	
BOARD MEETINGS	GENERAL MEETINGS
January 15	January 22
February 19	February 26
March 17 (changed due to conflict)	CANCELLED
April 15 (teleconference)	CANCELLED
May 20 (teleconference)	CANCELLED
June 17 CANCELLED	June 24 CANCELLED
July 15 (teleconference)	Brunch—CANCELLED
August 19	August 26
September 16	September 23
October 21	October 28
November 11 (changed due to Thanksgiving)	November 18
December—No Meeting	PENDING—Holiday Brunch

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

GRACE BANKSTON

JOANN BROWN

SUSAN MILLER

EVELYN MC CURLEY-INGRAM

CHARLES MILLER

JUNE AND JULY

JUNE 4

JULY 2




JULY 4

JULY 13

JULY 26



June 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 	15	16	17	18	19	20 
21 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

The Board of Directors met on May 20 by teleconference.

The following business was conducted:

ADDC:

- Reminder that the 2020 ADDC Convention has been cancelled.
- The 2020 ADDC Nominating Committee has sent out notice requesting nominations for 2021 officers. Angie has sent the notice to club members and it will be included in the June bulletin.

Southeast Region:

- Margie Steed, Red River Club, was elected to serve as 2021 Southeast Region Director.
- The North Harris/Montgomery Counties Club (NHMC) was selected as the site of the 2021 region meeting, to be held in Houston, TX, April 21-24, 2021.
- The Region reports and Awards of Merit information was sent to club members and included in the May bulletin.

Angie Duplessis reported that e-cards have been sent to the following (get well, thinking of you, congratulations): Cora Bergeron, Grace Bankston, Margie Steed, NHMC president.

Debbie Brazeal presented the Treasurer's Report; there were no questions or corrections. The report will be emailed to members.

Bonnie Wall announced the Region Award of Merit winners, included in the May bulletin.

Judi Adams reported that the deadline for next month's bulletin is June 1st.

Angie Duplessis reported all field trip and social activities are on hold and the May meeting has been cancelled.

Zelda Gillan reported that current membership is 33.

The Board reached consensus to cancel the June Membership Meeting due to the health risks for our members.

The Board approved the following Scholarship recipients: Margo Frost, Autumn Leon, Leigh Ann LaFrance, Victoria Miller, Robert Schexnayder, and Brooke Yuspeh. Checks, letters of congratulations, and certificates will be mailed by early June.

The Bunco has been tentatively rescheduled to October 10th.

Judi Adams reported that Community Service projects flyers will be updated in the June bulletin; check for information regarding the projects.

Community Service Projects are on hold until further notice. But, you can still be signing holiday cards or collecting toiletry and non-perishable food items. Bonnie, Susan, and Judy and Sylvia will be happy to take your donations when the "shelter-in-place" quarantine is over.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

DESK AND DERRICK CLUB OF THE WESTBANK

Susan Miller is collecting items for the St. Joseph Apartments in Gretna. She will bring items to the residents living in the apartments. We can make a difference in the lives of the senior citizens living in the apartments with our modest (or generous) donations.

**Donations of the following are requested:
Mens/Ladies socks, books, combs, brushes,
shower caps, kleenex, travel soaps, shampoo,
conditioners, pens, stationery, and games. All
will be appreciated.**

Susan can do “porch pick-ups” or you can deliver your donations at her home. Contact Susan at smiller2020rd@yahoo.com or by phone at 504-908-6131 for pick-up and drop-off.



2020

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR OUR SOLDIERS

*WESTBANK DESK AND DERRICK
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT*

SENDING THOUGHTS AND WISHES FOR HAPPY HOLIDAYS,
SAFE AND QUICK RETURN HOME, GOD'S BLESSINGS,
AND THANKS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND
PROTECTING OUR FREEDOMS

Help us meet our 2020 goal of 2020 cards!

CONTACT BONNIE R. WALL 504-362-3671 (H) 504-439-1650 (C)

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Bonnie will bring cards to the meetings throughout the year
So take a few and sign a few! Or take a lot and sign a lot!! Or go through
your own stash of cards and sign, sign, sign!!



Desk & Derrick

Community service to the

GRETNNA FOOD BANK

COLLECTING MONEY TO PURCHASE FOOD!

Judy and Sylvia will have the oatmeal box at the August, September, and October meetings – ready for our \$ donations. They will buy groceries and deliver to the food bank for Thanksgiving

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A Salute to the 2020 Westbank Desk and Derrick Club Scholarship Recipients:

- ♦ Margot Frost—Centenary College
- ♦ Leigh Ann Lafrance—LSU
- ♦ Autumn Leon—Southeastern Louisiana University
- ♦ Victoria Miller—Southeastern Louisiana University
- ♦ Rob Schexnayder—LSU
- ♦ Brooke Yuspeh—Northern Colorado University



Westbank 2020 Scholarship Recipients



Hi, I'm Margo Frost. I just finished my sophomore year at Centenary College of Louisiana where I am majoring in Business Administration and French and minoring in Spanish.

Prior to attending Centenary I studied foreign language at the Baton Rouge International School since age 2. I graduated as the Valedictorian in May 2018.

I am presently working as a Centenary Ambassador and as a Resident Assistant. I also give swimming lessons to young children and coach swimming to middle grade students.

Throughout my elementary, middle and high school years I participated in competitive swimming and soccer, and am continuing my sports activities at Centenary by being a member of the college's soccer and swim teams.

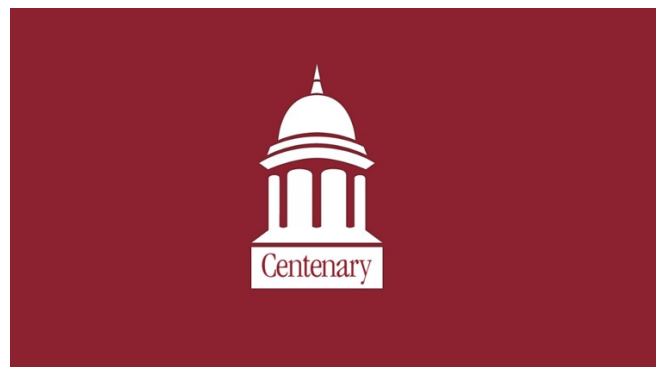
Something else I have been involved with since elementary school is community service. At Centenary I volunteer with the Community Garden and interacting with the residents of Magnolia Manor Retirement Home. I am a member of Chi Omega Sorority and participate in its community volunteer programs.

Another important part of who I am is my faith. I believe that God is guiding me every step of the way. At home I attend Trinity Episcopal Church and serve there as a Lay Eucharistic Minister. At school I worship at St. Mark's Cathedral where I am a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes group on campus.

My career goal is to enter into the world of international finance. Also, plan to use all of the skills I have developed and combine all of my interests to make a difference in the world.

My sincere Thanks for awarding me a scholarship. It is greatly appreciated.

Sponsor: Bonnie Wall





My name is Leigh Ann Lafrance, I will be attending LSU for pre-vet studies and hopefully I'll open my own clinic one day. Thank you, Westbank Desk and Derrick Club members, for the scholarship!

Sponsor: Vera Ledet





I am Autumn Rayne Leon. From an early age I knew that I wanted to work in health care. My dad is a registered nurse and my mom used to recover corneas at the eye bank. In the 8th grade I decided to take Latin in high school to better succeed with the medical terminology that I will one day encounter.

I will be attending Southeastern Louisiana University in the fall and will be majoring in Nursing. I plan to obtain my Bachelor of Science in Nursing and possibly be minoring in Latin, since I studied the language for four years in high school. When I graduate after four years with my BSN, I will be able to get a job in a clinic and then I plan to attend Louisiana State University to specialize as a nurse practitioner. I am excited to begin my college journey at Southeastern Louisiana University and I look forward to all that life has in store for me.

I graduated from St. Joseph's Academy in Baton Rouge in May. During my four years there I served as a Student Ambassador, was a member of the Beta Club, National Honors Society, and Latin Club.

As part of my Latin education at SJA I earned the opportunity to travel to Italy for ten days. It was the trip of a lifetime and I saw historic sites such as the Colosseum and the ruins of Pompei. I also saw breathtaking views in Capri and the Amalfi Coast.

Other accomplishments that I earned were the Service Award for 50+ hours each year, Academic Letters each year, a Subject Award in theater, and achieving magna cum laude on the freshman National Latin Exam and cum laude on the National Latin Exam in my sophomore and junior years.

On my graduation diploma is a Beta Club Seal, a National Honor's Society Seal, and a Seal of Biliteracy in Latin. The medals I received on graduation were the Service Award for 50+ hours for four years, a First Academic medal for maintaining a 3.5 GPA or higher for four years and received a red cord to wear with my cap and gown.

On behalf of my parents and myself, I want to thank you for honoring me with one of your scholarships and providing me with aid towards my educational goals.

Sponsor: Bonnie Wall





My name is Victoria Miller. I just finished my senior year at Mandeville High School. I want to thank the Westbank Desk and Derrick Club for choosing me for a scholarship. I have worked hard all four years to maintain a 3.7 GPA, score a 32 on the ACT, and be a member of the National Honors Society.

I have participated on the Mandeville Spinnaker Dance Team for four years, Spirit Club, Skipper Buddies helping special needs kids, and volunteering many hours in my community.

I've been accepted and am excited to attend Southeastern Louisiana University in the Fall 2020 and plan to major in Engineering. And I'm excited that I just made the Lionette's Dance Team at SLU. Once again, thank you all so much for believing in me.

Sponsor: Charles Miller III





I'm Robert Bernard Schexnayder and I will attend Louisiana State University in the Fall. I plan to pursue a baccalaureate degree in Mechanical Engineering. My educational goal is to be a member of the Society of Mechanical Engineers and to be employed as a Mechanical Engineer in the auto or oil-related industry.

Sponsor: JoAnn Brown





I'm Brooke Yuspeh and I'm currently pursuing an MA in Dance Education through the University of Northern Colorado. I graduated from Tulane University cum laude in 2018 with a BA in Dance and Political Science and a BS in Psychology. I was also awarded departmental honors in dance for my honors thesis, "Dancing from Broadway to La La Land: The Evolution of Dance in Movie Musicals". In addition to my studies, I teach dance classes at local dance studios and work as a front desk representative at a fitness studio.

I would like to thank my sponsor and grandmother, Vera Ledet, as well as the D&D scholarship committee for this award. I also would like to thank my mother, Suzanne Yuspeh, for her support in all of my endeavors. I look forward to using the master's degree in opening a dance studio one day or teaching dance in higher education.

Sponsor: Vera Ledet



Throwback Pics



Prom Queens and Kings—Region Meeting? Convention? Year?

Judi, Angie, Theresa, Gabe

Leon, Roy, Nolan, Alice

Elaine, Dottie, Vonette, Patsy, Uncle Mark and Aunt Marie

Vera Ledet found this picture while cleaning out her files. No date or location on the picture, though.



June 3, 1991—"Club Salute" Photographer Gilda Borden White

Sitting Front: JoAnn Brown, President

From Left: Lyn Harvey, Vice President

Dottie Ancona, Treasurer

Alice Walther, Corresponding Secretary

Judi Adams, Recording Secretary

Lori Lawrence, Victoria Club, found this picture on ebay and gifted it to me at Southeast Region Meeting in 2019. It's a treasure!

D&D Westbank Member Updates by Judi Adams

In early May, I sent out an email to our members asking them to give me some information about how/what they were doing during the COVID-19 quarantine and stay-at-home orders. The questions were:

- 1) What did you/are you doing during the quarantine?
- 2) What did you learn about yourself, your family, your friends during the quarantine?
- 3) What did you miss most about being told to "stay at home"?
- 4) What's the first restaurant, store, or business you want to go to when it's safe?

Here's what some of our club members had to say:

Theresa Adams is working from home, although for a few weeks in March/early April she was still going into the office. Theresa feels blessed to be able to continue working from home and getting a paycheck. She is a very sociable person and truly misses seeing and talking to her co-workers. Theresa likes to be at home – but really misses seeing and hugging her family members and friends. She says she's a "touchy-feely" person. She also misses being able to go out with family and friends for a restaurant meal. The first things she wants to do when it's safe to do so are getting a haircut and color, shopping somewhere besides Walmart, and having lunch or dinner at Café 615, Home of Da Wabbit.

Dottie Ancona has been using Zoom to participate in her Zumba classes 3 times/week; she also completed a 1,000-piece jigsaw puzzle in two weeks, cooks at home, and watches a lot of Netflix. Dottie has kept in touch with her friends with phone calls and Zoom conference calls. When Phase 1 reopened some of the state, she joined friends for a brown bag lunch at a local playground, observing social distancing. Dottie misses going to the hairdresser, pedicures, and the library. And, when this is over, the first place she plans to eat out is Middendorf's.

Angie Duplessis has also been working from home. She learned that she likes being home and the day flies by while she's working. The one thing she misses most is Happy Hour at Chili's. As soon as it's safe, she's heading to Daiwa Sushi – it's not something she will ever attempt to make at home.

Sylvia Hohmann has been staying home, cooking, watching TV, talking with friends and relatives on the phone and birdwatching from her bay window. She watched a sparrow build a nest in the birdhouse and lay five eggs; the babies hatched and now Sylvia is waiting for them to leave the next. She said she hasn't learned anything new about herself and family/friends. Sylvia really misses going to the WJ Fitness Center pool for her water aerobics. She's very committed to it! She has been going to Walmart on Fridays for her weekly grocery shopping. What she really wants to do first when it's safe is get a haircut. Sylvia is getting tired of Popeye's and Rouses take-out and can't wait to go to New Orleans Food & Spirits for a meal with a friend. Sylvia said she'll be very glad when we can all get together at a D&D meeting again.

Elaine Lesnak has been doing a lot of gardening, transplanting plants from smaller pots to larger pots, binge-watching some of her favorite TV shows, and getting things in the house organize. She said she has learned 'nothing new' about herself, family, or friends during the quarantine. Elaine most misses going to church, getting her daily cup of coffee at J'aime le Café on Lapalco Blvd, going out for dinner with her family, and meeting with her D&D friends to learn and chat. Elaine's first place she plans to go to when it's safe is the coffee shop! She must REALLY miss that daily cup.

Charles Miller has been working from home part of the day, spending quality time with his family, and knocking out some outdoor work. He learned that his family can drive him nuts with all them home for an extended period, but he enjoyed pulling out the old Wii game console to play games, additional family time for board games, and doing outdoor things together in the backyard. Charlie misses seeing his regular co-workers and lunch dates, although he knows that being able to work from home is a blessing. During the quarantine, he and the family have regularly used the drive-through at Chick-Fil-A but they are all ready for a family meal at Gallagher's on the Northshore. He says take-out just doesn't give the same experience and taste of dining in.

And, here's a note from Judy Guillot:

I feel very fortunate and blessed to still have a job and my family and I are safe and healthy. I have been coming to my office every day and working internally only with shorten hours 10-4. We are not taking any walk-ins and servicing our customers by telephone, e-mails and fax. We have a mail slot for any customers wanting to drop off payments directly at our office.

The thing I missed the most during the quarantine was not being able to see my 3 grandchildren for over 2 months. A baby grows a lot in 2 months. I was thankful for video chat. I think all of us were living on such a fast track, the quarantine gave all us a reason to slow down and enjoy being home and spending time with our immediate family. I enjoyed having more time to call and talk to many relatives and friends that I have not spoken to in a while. The quarantine thought me and many others that we can do without so many things and luxuries we thought we could not.

The first place I went was the nail salon which followed every state requirement for safety and health issues when opened at phase 1. My husband and I have not eaten in a restaurant since the end of March. We both enjoy cooking and eating at home. I thank God every day for my health and the many blessings he bestowed on my family and me. I am very thankful for the all the medical staff, first responder and front-line workers and pray for them every day. May God bless all you and keep you safe and healthy.

I hope you enjoyed learning a bit about our members and the challenges and triumphs during the last 2-3 months of stay-at-home and #alonetogether.

Judi



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June, 2020

Dear Members,

Well, we are now halfway through this very trying and difficult year for everyone. First of all, I sure hope everyone is doing fine and staying safe and healthy. If any of your club members are having difficulty, please share the news so we can lift their spirits with cards and prayers.

It has been a challenging year for Desk and Derrick. Most clubs managed to only have two meetings so far this year and we cancelled Southeast Region Meeting. These are difficult decisions that were made for the welfare of our members. The 69th Annual ADDC Conference will be held in New Orleans in 2021 and the ADDC Conference planned for Pittsburgh has been rescheduled to 2022.

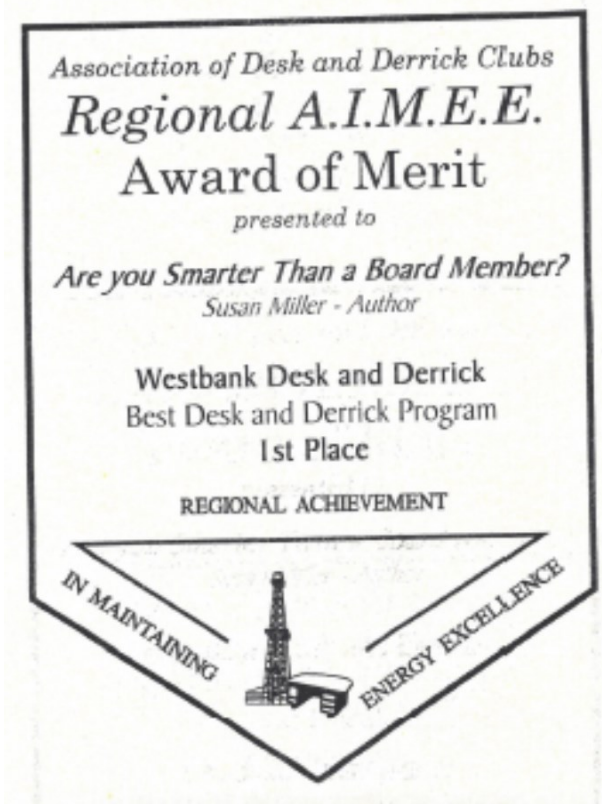
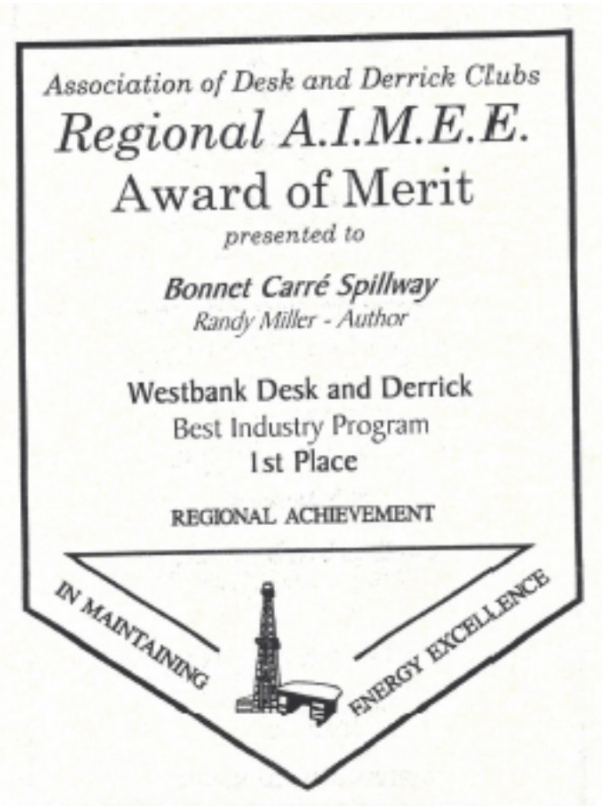
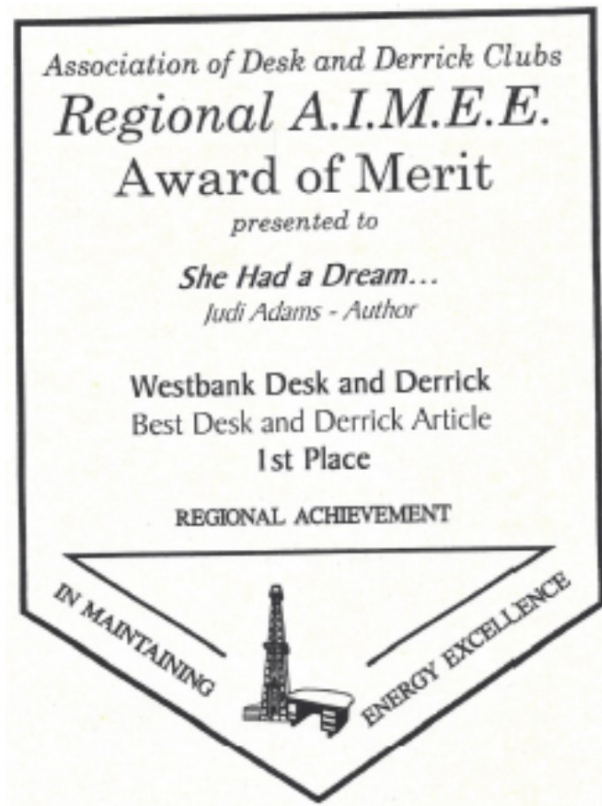
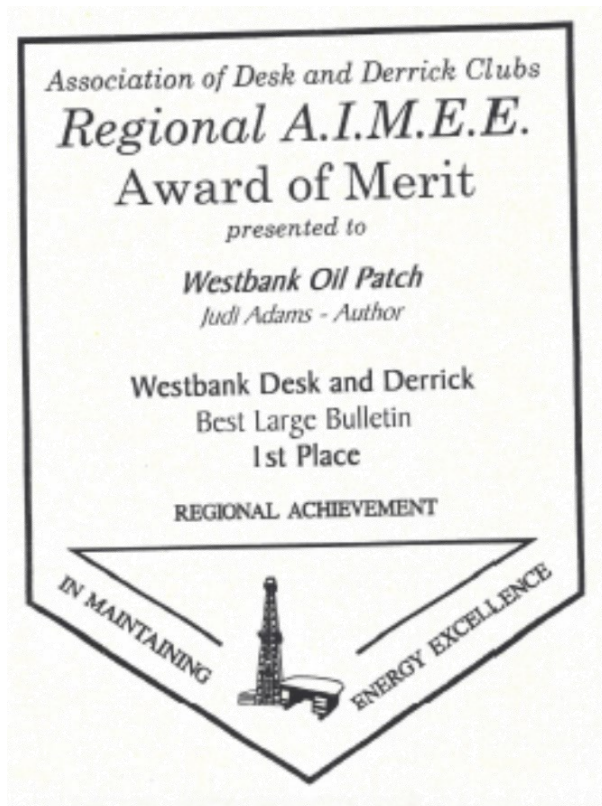
We are starting to see a little light at the end of the tunnel; the stay-at-home order has been eased or lifted in many states, and people are starting to move around. But, as people start returning to work and normal every-day activities, please don't let your guard down. The energy industry has been hit pretty hard, and I know some of you have lost your jobs and wish you good luck in the future. I'm hoping that our members holding on to their jobs stay through the downturn; we all know there is an upturn around the corner.

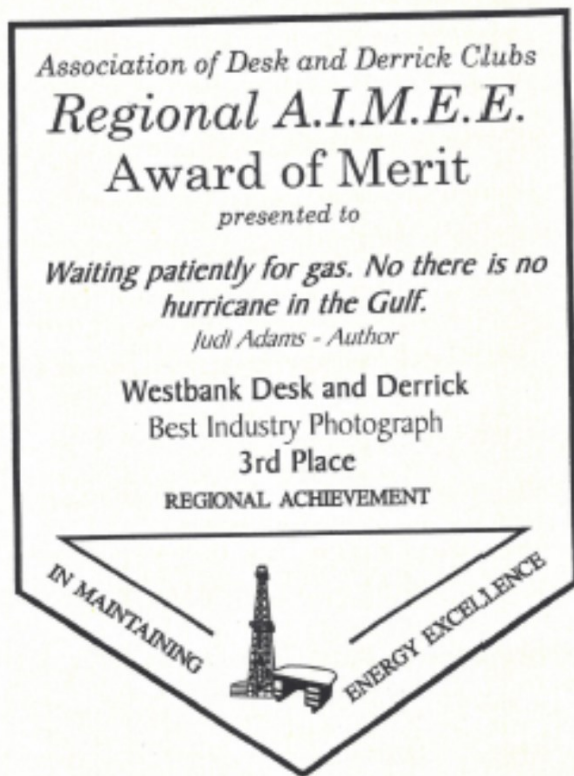
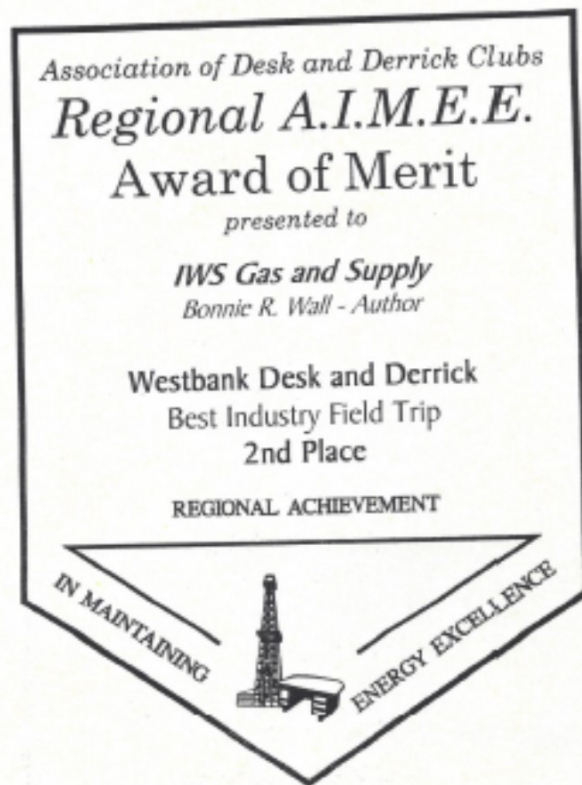
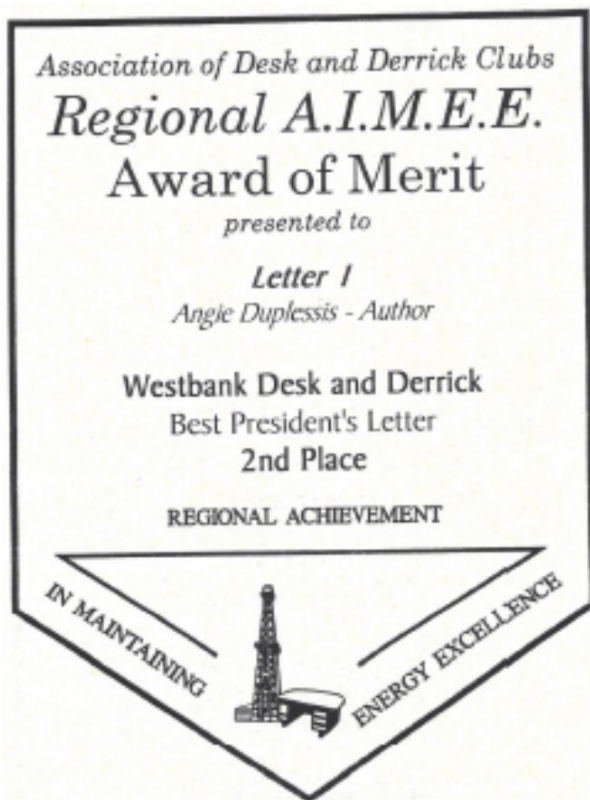
Desk and Derrick will survive because our members are strong. Soon we'll be back to regular meetings, field trips, and seminars. Many clubs are using social media, club bulletins, and other communication options to connect with each other. Stay in touch and find new ways to share learnings.

Congratulations to all the Regional Awards of Merit 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners. You still can be writing a great industry or D&D article or hold a virtual seminar for the Contest entries at the end of the year.

I hope that the summer will lift our spirits and bring some semblance of normalcy to our lives.

Susan Miller
Southeast Region Director







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June 2020

Summer is officially upon us. I will apologize in advance to all my D&D family who will take offense to this statement but, "Welcome warm weather!" I enjoy so many outdoor, warm-weather activities...swimming, boating, motorcycle riding, camping. Also, warm weather months mean, longer daylight hours in the evening, allowing me to enjoy time outdoors after work.

With states opening back up for business, please continue to use caution when in the presence of others, to protect yourself from COVID-19. The Board still urges clubs to NOT have physical meetings while your areas still have active cases and increased risks of infection. As a reminder, meeting requirements will NOT be enforced in 2020.

The other two regions have officially conducted region business. The Northeast Region has elected Cindy Krebs from the Three Rivers Club and the Central Region has elected Kay McKinley from the Liberal Club as their 2021 Region Directors. Congratulations to Cindy and Kay! Thank you for stepping up to share your knowledge and help lead your regions next year!

Our 2020 ADDC Parliamentarian and past Parliamentarian Sheryl Minear are working to finalize plans for the necessary official ADDC business that will need to be done by alternate means since we will not have our 2020 Convention. In the coming weeks, the details will be provided to membership.

One of the important items of business is the election of officers. In May, the Nominating Committee's request for nominations for 2021 ADDC Officers was sent to club presidents. June 22 is the deadline for submission of nominations. If you are thinking of running for office, make sure to get your paperwork completed and sent to your club president to sign and forward to Nominating Committee Chair, Maggi Franks before the deadline.

Though still short of our budgeted 1,025 members, I am pleased to announce since last month, our membership number has climbed to 932. That puts us much closer to our goal than we were. With a little work, we should be able to close that gap some more before the end of the year. I know that isn't going to be easy, since we aren't having membership meetings right now. Just don't give up on trying to recruit as soon as we are able.

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There is no doubt the negative impact of COVID-19 on our industries and our members is not fully realized yet. Since my last letter, Murphy Oil Corporation, the former parent company of my employer Murphy USA Inc., announced plans to relocate its El Dorado, Arkansas corporate headquarters to its production and exploration division's offices in Houston, Texas. This move was a last resort to cut expenses, after already cutting executive and management salaries, as well as making huge cuts to the company's 2020 capital spending budget. Murphy Oil Corporation, founded and based in El Dorado for 70 years, is one of the latest victims of the current state of our nation. Two of my club's members, including my club president, were employed by Murphy Oil and will have to take severance packages and find new employment since their jobs were not being moved to Houston. Fortunately, my company, Murphy USA Inc., no longer connected in any way to Murphy Oil, has not been as negatively impacted by the recent historically low oil prices, and is not affected by Murphy Oil's move. We just pray that somehow our two displaced club members find employment in our industries. And let's all continue to pray for our friends and family who have been impacted by these unprecedented events.

Last, I want to apologize that we have not published the ADDC 1st Quarter Financial Reports to membership. With the move of our accounting from Wolfepak to Quickbooks, there has been a lot of work done to simplify our Chart of Accounts and make our financial reports easier to understand, and ultimately make our accounting reviews and tax filings more streamlined. We tried different setups to come up with the best configuration to properly budget and track spending for the Association's General Fund, Convention Fund, and to be able to track income and expenses separately for each year's ADDC Convention within the Convention Fund. The first draft of the Q1 Financials was sent to the Finance Review Committee, and some adjustments were required to align the 2019 ending balances from WolfePak to the 2020 opening balances in Quickbooks. The second draft of the reports has been sent to the Finance Review Committee, and we should be sending the approved Q1 Financials to membership very soon. With the conversion now complete, the quarterly reporting should be sent to membership within a reasonable timeframe after the end of the quarters going forward.

Until next month, please continue to take care of yourselves.

"Well done is better than well said." Benjamin Franklin

Keith

2020 Annual ADDC Convention has been cancelled.

2021 ADDC Convention

Sept 22-25, 2021

New Orleans, LA

Astor Crowne-Plaza, Canal Street

2022 ADDC Convention

Sept 2022

Where: Pittsburgh, PA

Hotel: Sheraton Pittsburgh Hotel—Station Square



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April 30, 2020

To: All Club Presidents

From: 2020 ADDC Nominating Committee

Re: Nominations for 2021 ADDC Officers

The 2021 Officers of the Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs via mail or electronic vote. The ADDC Nominating Committee is currently accepting nominations for the following 2021 ADDC Officers:

*President-Elect
Secretary
Treasurer*

The deadline for all nominations to be received by the Nominating Committee Chairman is **June 22, 2020**. Any nominations received after that date will not be considered by the Nominating Committee.

Requirements and procedures for submitting nominations and the duties of the Officers are described in the Association Bylaws and can be found on the ADDC website in the Guidelines section. All candidates for nomination to ADDC offices shall:

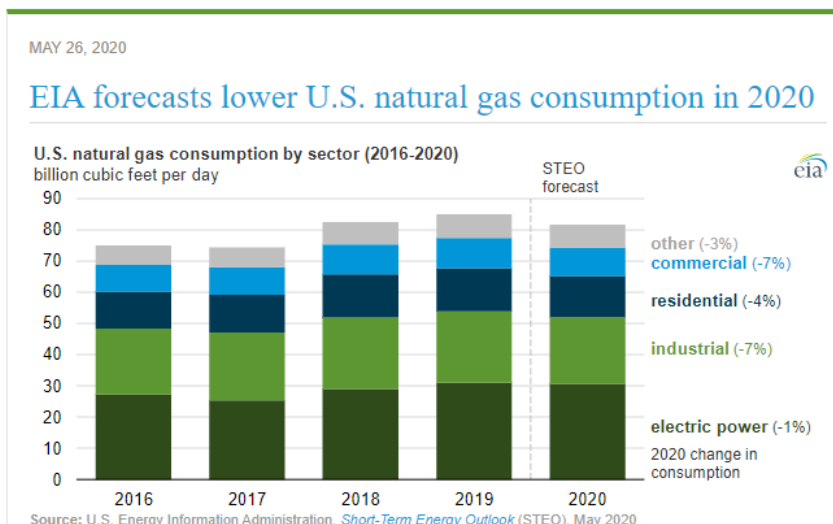
1. Have served or be serving as Regional Director
2. Be employed in the petroleum, energy or allied industries
3. Be bondable.

The ADDC Officer Nomination Forms are available under *Committees > Nominating Committee > Forms* (<https://addc.org/nominating/>) in the Members Only area pages of the ADDC website (addc.org).

Please send all nominations by the **June 22, 2020** deadline, including NOMN1, NOMN2, and NOMN2A forms, along with a photo of candidate to Maggi Franks, Nominating Committee Chairman, via mail at the address above or via e-mail at maggsmf@aol.com.

Maggi Franks

EIA forecasts lower U.S. natural gas consumption in 2020



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Short-Term Energy Outlook* (STEO), May 2020

In the latest *Short-Term Energy Outlook* (STEO), the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) forecasts that decreases in natural gas consumption in the United States in 2020 will be driven by declines in natural gas used in the industrial, commercial, and residential sectors. In the U.S. electric power sector, EIA forecasts natural gas consumption to decline in the second half of 2020 after growing in the first half of the year.



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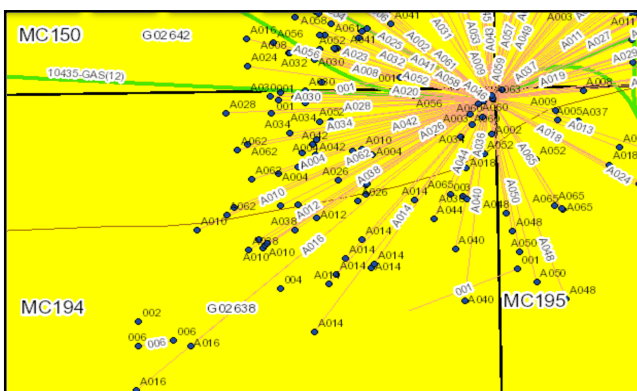
Owner/Operator Report (Record Title, Operator & Operating Rights)

WELL, PLATFORM & PIPELINE REPORTS

1. Platform information report with details on the platform structure
2. Platform Decommission Reports
3. Track status and locations of wells
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What Is an Orphan Well? - by Judi Adams

Varying criteria define an orphan or abandoned oil well. An oil well is considered orphaned when the owner/operator takes it out of production permanently. Orphaned wells also have different legal definitions across different jurisdictions, but it can be considered abandoned if it's not possible to determine the legal owner. Each state has distinct legislature with specific definitions. In Louisiana, orphan wells are "abandoned oil and gas wells for which no viable responsible party can be located, or such party has failed to maintain the wellsite in accordance with state rules and regulations." In Pennsylvania abandoned wells are defined as not producing for 12 months, "considered dry and not equipped for production within 60 days after drilling, re-drilling, or deepening, and from which the equipment needed to extract resources or produce energy has been removed."

Orphaned and abandoned wells can be damaging to the environment by leaking pollutants into the atmosphere or water supplies. Quantifying the environmental impact of orphaned and abandoned wells includes techniques used and precautions taken when first drilling the well, if it is a gas well, oil well, or combined oil and gas well, and if/how the well was sealed.

Wells that are not properly sealed when orphaned or abandoned can allow oil and gas to contaminate groundwater or can emit significant amounts of methane into the atmosphere. Also, brine present in wells dug into shale formations may contain radioactive and toxic substances that contaminate groundwater if the well leaks. Properly plugging wells can reduce the risk of explosions and protect groundwater; however, it does not always prevent methane emissions. The costs to reduce impact of orphaned and abandoned wells varies; it could include removing all equipment from the site, remediating the site, planting local species, and actually plugging the well. It costs an average of \$100, 000 to plug a well and restore the surrounding land in the Marcellus Shale.

Complications include the fact that scarce and incomplete data are available on orphaned and abandoned wells. Some wells in the US may have been orphaned or abandoned for over a century, and information about them, if it exists at all, can be difficult to find.

Well bonds can be one way to encourage well owners not to abandon or orphan wells and to make sure wells are safely abandoned. These bonds are paid by well operators to a surety company and are held a state or federal entity until the well has been satisfactorily plugged and the land surface restored. But, making well bonds an effective policy tool requires that bond prices aren't making market entry prohibitively expensive.

Well owners also could be encouraged not to abandon or orphan wells by retrofitting oil and gas wells to produce geothermal energy. This is less expensive than it is to drill a new oil or gas well. And, it saves the cost of exploring sites for geothermal fields.

States could also mandate well operators to establish reclamation trusts to pay costs if the operator does not perform the necessary plugging and land restoration within a given time period after abandoning the well. This policy has been used to mitigate the environmental impact of mines. But risk attached to this policy option is that if wells become economically unproductive before the period planned for in the trust agreement, the abandoned well could become a liability held by the relevant government authority.

Sources: Wikipedia and LA Dept of Natural Resources



Incredible Map of Pangea With Modern-Day Borders

As volcanic eruptions and earthquakes occasionally remind us, the earth beneath our feet is constantly on the move. Continental plates only move around 1-4 inches per year, so we don't notice the tectonic forces that are continually reshaping the surface of our planet. But on a long enough timeline, those inches add up to big changes in the way landmasses on Earth are configured.

Today's map, by Massimo Pietrobon, is a look back to when all land on the planet was arranged into a supercontinent called Pangea. Pietrobon's map is unique in that it overlays the approximate borders of present day countries to help us understand how Pangea broke apart to form the world that we know today.

Pangea: The World As One

Pangea was the latest in a line of supercontinents in Earth's history. Pangea began developing over 300 million years ago, eventually making up one-third of the earth's surface. The remainder of the planet was an enormous ocean known as Panthalassa.

As time goes by, scientists are beginning to piece together more information on the climate and patterns of life on the supercontinent. Similar to parts of Central Asia today, the center of the landmass is thought to have been arid and inhospitable, with temperatures reaching 113°F (45°C). The extreme temperatures revealed by climate simulations are supported by the fact that very few fossils are found in the modern day regions that once existed in the middle of Pangea. The strong contrast between the Pangea supercontinent and Panthalassa is believed to have triggered intense cross-equatorial monsoons.

By this unique point in history, plants and animals had spread across the landmass, and animals (such as dinosaurs) were able to wander freely across the entire expanse of Pangea.

Breaking Up is Hard to Do

Around 200 million years ago, magma began to swell up through a weakness in the earth's crust, creating the volcanic rift zone that would eventually cleave the supercontinent into pieces. Over time, this rift zone would become the Atlantic Ocean. The most visible evidence of this split is in the similar shape of the coastlines of modern-day Brazil and West Africa.

Present-day North America broke away from Europe and Africa, and as the map highlights, Atlantic Canada was once connected to Spain and Morocco. The concept of plate tectonics is behind some of modern Earth's most striking features. The Himalayas, for example, were formed after the Indian subcontinent broke off the eastern side of Africa and crashed directly into Asia. Many of the world's tallest mountains were formed by this process of plate convergence – a process that, as far as we know, is unique to Earth.

What the Very Distant Future Holds

Since the average continent is only moving about 1 foot (0.3m) every decade, it's unlikely you'll ever be alive to see an epic geographical revision to the world map.

However, for whatever life exists on Earth roughly 300 million years in the future, they may have front row seats in seeing the emergence of a new supercontinent: Pangea Proxima. Pangea Proxima is just one possible supercontinent configuration that occurs in which Australia slams into Indonesia, and North and South America crash into Africa and Antarctica, respectively.

Interestingly, Pangea Proxima could have a massive inland sea, mainly made up of what is the Indian Ocean today. Meanwhile, the other oceans would combine into one super-ocean that would take up the majority of the Earth's surface.

Source: visualcapitalist.com



Shell—Did You Know? By Judi Adams

Shell Oil's history is filled with fascinating facts - featuring everything from world firsts to great artists. Here is possibly my favorite!

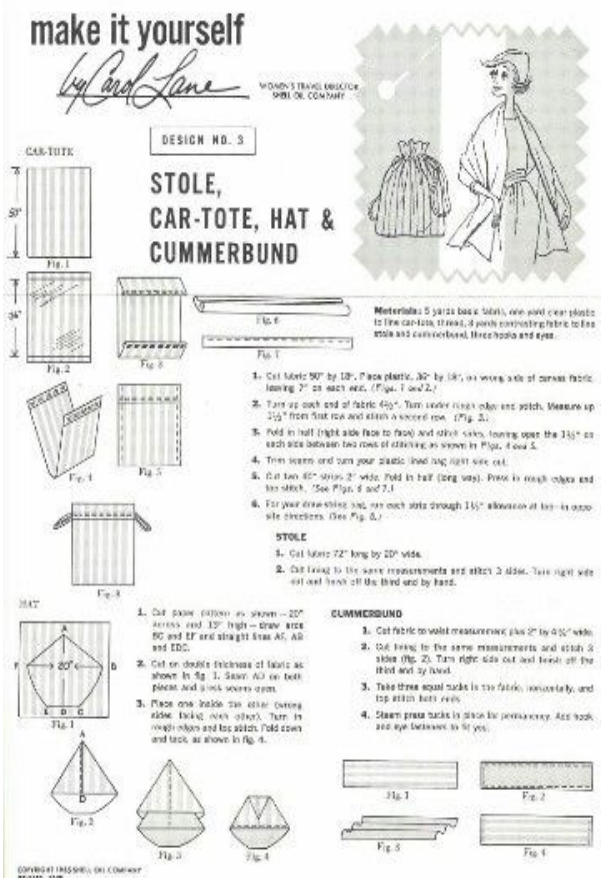
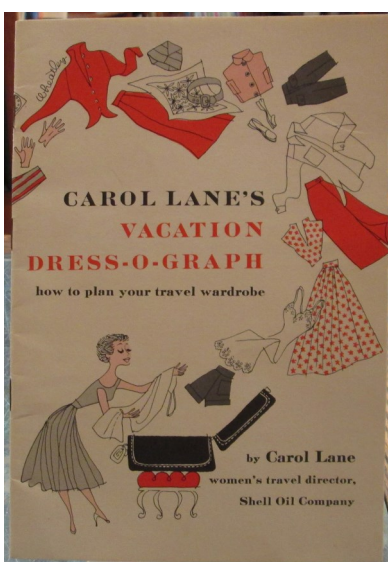
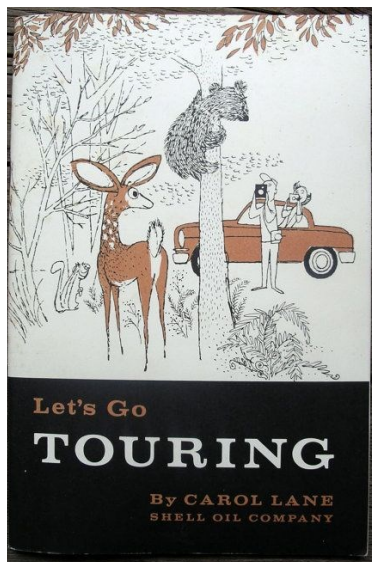
Did you know Shell pioneered travel safety tips in the 1950s?

Back in the 1950s, Shell's Public Relations department saw that female drivers in the US were a huge untapped market, especially with the growth of family road trips. They created a campaign directed at female drivers. The campaign was led by a fictional spokeswoman – 'Carol Lane, Women's Travel Director.'

The first 'Carol Lane' was a pioneering lady called Caroline Iverson Ackerman – herself an aviator and journalist. She travelled thousands of miles a year and gave practical tips and tricks on driving to women, raising the profile of Shell.

Brochures and pamphlets included hints on family camping, traveling with children, packing for vacation, and clothing patterns for things to use and wear while "touring" the country. I'd love to find one of these patterns! Some of the brochures

are on sale/auction for \$10 on eBay!! But, I can't find the patterns online anywhere. Who wants to wear a 1950s style touring hat and pack a picnic lunch in a matching tote? I do!!



Angel Hair Pasta with Bacon and Peas

- ◆ Coarse salt and ground pepper
- ◆ 4 slices bacon, sliced crosswise into 1/2-inch pieces
- ◆ 2 shallots, halved and thinly sliced
- ◆ 1 box (10 ounces) frozen peas, thawed
- ◆ 1 cup half-and-half
- ◆ 18 ounces angel-hair pasta

Set a large pot of salted water to boil. In a large skillet, cook bacon over medium until crisp, 5 to 7 minutes. With a slotted spoon, transfer to a paper-towel-lined plate to drain (leave fat in skillet).

Add shallots to skillet; season with salt and pepper. Cook over medium, stirring occasionally, until they begin to soften, 1 to 2 minutes (*my note: if subbing garlic, DO NOT burn it!*). Add peas and half-and-half; season with salt and pepper. Simmer until slightly thickened, about 2 minutes.

Cook pasta in boiling water until al dente, according to package instructions. Reserve 1/2 cup pasta water; drain pasta, and return to pot. Pour sauce over pasta; toss to combine, adding some reserved pasta water a little at a time to coat. Sprinkle with bacon, and serve immediately.

Source: marthastewart.com

I've made this a few times and have used minced garlic instead of shallots. I tried substituting canned peas but the texture was too mushy. I recommend using frozen peas. You can add grated Parmesan cheese on top, too. Any recipe that includes bacon, 1/2&1/2, and pasta gets me every time! - Judi



