# Westbank Oil Patch



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October 2020

# 2020 Board of Directors

President: Angie Duplessis Vice President: Judi Adams Secretary: Zelda Gillan Treasurer: Debbie Brazeal Director: Linda Belsome Director: Bonnie Wall Imm. Past President: Theresa Adams

# 2020 Committee Chairmen

Aimee: Bonnie Wall

- Bulletin: Judi Adams
- Bylaws: Judi Adams
- Election: Pam Lauckner
- Field Trip: Bonnie Wall
- Finance: Debbie Brazeal
- and Linda Belsome

General Arrangements: Elaine Lesnak and Zelda Gillan

Membership/Orientation: Elaine Lesnak

- Nominating: Judy Guillot
- Program/IAN: Judi Adams

Scholarship: Gaylen Guillory

# Front Cover and Opposite: Halloween Photos

By Judi Adams—2017 and 2018

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# Club President's Newsletter

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Dear Westbank Members,

The nominations of 2021 Westbank Officers and Board of Directors are now finalized; officers are:

President – Judi Adams Vice President – Angie Duplessis Secretary – Theresa Adams Treasurer – Debbie Brazeal Directors – Linda Belsome and Bonnie Wall

The October General Membership Meeting will be presented via Zoom. An email from the Program Committee will be going out soon to everyone. Be sure to download Zoom to your personal computer or phone so you can attend.

Wishing everyone a safe Happy Halloween.

Remember...We Can Do It!

Angie Duplessis



NOTE: As of publication of the October Westbank Oil Patch, the 2021 ADDC Officer Election Results have not been announced.

October 2020

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	CANCELLED	
July—NO MEETING	July—NO MEETING	
August 19 (teleconference)	CANCELLED	
September 16 (teleconference)	CANCELLED	
October 21—ZOOM	October 28—ZOOM	
November 11—ZOOM	November 18—ZOOM	
December—No Meeting	Holiday Brunch—Pending	

Monthly Program			
Month	Speaker	Торіс	Invoca- tion/Introduction
January	Tristan Babin	ACE Pipeline	
February	Tim Schotsch	Evolution of Waste	Judi
March- September	CANCELLED		
October	Elaine/Judi	Orientation (Zoom)	Zelda
November	Susan Miller	2021 Installation (Zoom)	Judi/Angie
December	NO MEETING		

# **Club Bylaws and Standing Rules**

The amendment to eliminate the office of Immediate Past President from the Officers and Board of Directors passed (22 "aye" votes; no "nay" votes).

Effective immediately, the position will not exist, starting with the election and appointment of 2021 Officers and Board of Directors. (IPP and Parliamentarian are appointed—not elected.)

The Club Bylaws and General Responsibilities of Officers and Board Members have been updated to reflect the amendment. The revised documents have been posted on the club's web page.

Link: http://westbankdandd.org/Bylaws.htm

### **Annual Meeting**

The Club Annual Meeting will be held in October via Zoom meeting. The 2021 officer resumes are printed on the following pages.

### **Program Committee**

The Program Committee is sending an email to all members with information on how to install Zoom on your devices. You will need to have it installed and ready to use prior to the meeting in order to participate.



Name: Judith (Judi) Adams

**Candidate for: President** 

**Company:** Retired/Shell

**Position: President** 

Years as D&D Member: 30

**Offices held:** All offices

Club Experience: Currently VP; have held every office at least once; have chaired and/or worked on every committee

Association Experience: 2012 ADDC President; President Elect; Secretary; Region Director; 2007 Convention Co-GAC

**Regionals Attended: 29+** Conventions Attended: 28

Business Experience: 25 years with Shell; 11 years with SRI International

Educational Background: Foothill College, business and history courses; many OJT courses at SRI and Shell in computer tech, specialty subjects, and health and safety; ADDC Certification Completion 2020

Personal Data: Single, one adult child, dog lover, traveler, computer geek

Company Support: retired

Deadline: 9/16/2020 Judi Adams

Name:	Angie Duplessis		
Candidate for:	Vice Preside	ent	
Company:	Phillips66		
Position:	HR Coordin	nator	
Years as D&D M	ember:	42 years	
Offices held:	Have held	all Westbank Club positions	
Club Experience:	Have chair	ed/co-chaired all committees over the years	
Association Experience: ADDC President(2011),President Elect(2010), VP(2009), Treasurer(2008), RD(2007)			
<b>Regionals</b> Attend	ed: 28	<b>Conventions Attended: 24</b>	
<b>Business Experience:</b> Employed @ the Alliance Refinery 45+ years			
8		B.S. Management (1995) Our Lady of Holy Cross College	
Personal Data: Married, one cat-Klinger			
Company Support: yes			
Deadline:			
Mail your resume to: Judy Guillot 4005 Hillcrest Drive Marrero, LA 70072 504-347-0022 Judy.s.guillot.hvze@statefarm.com			

Name: Theresa Adams

Candidate for: Secretary

Company: D&B Marine Services, LLC

Position: Owner

Years as D&D Member: 40

Offices held: All Offices except Treasurer

Club Experience: Have chaired/served on all committees

Association Experience: 2000 ADDC President/1996 and 2016 Region Director; have chaired/served on all ADDC committees

Region Meetings Attended: 35+ Conventions Attended: 30+

Business Experience: Over 40 years with numerous energy businesses, including ownership of several marine services companies

Educational Background: Business College plus several years of college

Personal Data: Married; 1 adult child; 2 grandsons

Company Support: No

Deadline: 9/16/2020

Signature: Theresa B Adams/jga (electronic okay)

Name: <u>Debbie Brazeal</u>

Candidate for: <u>TREASURER</u>

Company: <u>Retired</u>

Position:

Years as D&D Member: <u>38 years</u>

Offices held: Treasurer and Board of Directors

Club Experience: <u>Have chaired or served on several committees thru the years.</u>

Association Experience:

Regionals Attended: <u>12</u> Conventions Attended: <u>1</u>

Business Experience: Inventory & Purchasing mgt. in paint manufacturing.

**Educational Background**: High school & business training courses in my career.

Personal Data: Married, one child, one daughter in law, 4 grandchildren.

Company Support: No

Deadline: 9/16/2020

Signature: *Debbie Brazeal* (electronic okay)

Name: Linda Belsome
Candidate for: Director
Company: Retired
Position:
Years as D&D Member: 35
Offices held: Director
Club Experience: Numerous committees
Association Experience:
Regionals Attended: ? Conventions Attended: ?
Business Experience: Executive Assistant; Food & Beverage Coordinator
Educational Background: High School Graduate 1971
Personal Data:
Company Support:
Deadline: 9/16/2020
Signature: Linda Belsome (electronic okay)

Name: Bo	onnie R Wall
Candidate for:	Director
Company:	
Position:	
Years as D&D	Member: 17
Offices held: F	President, VP, Secretary, Director
Club Experiend	ce: All committees
Association Ex	xperience: Region rep for Contest; Memorials
Regionals Atte	ended: ~19 Conventions Attended: ~7
Business Expe	erience: Business Owner; Bookkeeper
Educational Ba	ackground: Trade School (secretarial); High School
Personal Data:	: Widow; family-oriented
Company Sup	port:
Deadline: 9/16	6/2020

Signature: Bonnie Wall/jga (electronic okay)

# 2020: the New Normal

This year so far, some of you may agree, has been a rapid blur. The "new normal"—the current spin used to describe daily life during this pandemic—propelled crises and chaos in America and has affected our personal lives.

In actuality, life has not been "normal" as we go about living. Even so, with all the calamities that have beset the nation and our personal lives, America remains the greatest country in the world because of the values and laws patriots instituted in our Constitution.

Sooooo, with that being said, I wish to share with you my coping mechanism during these trying times.

# ROAD TRIP

I took one, and it was good therapy. Following is a short story of my trip around the block.

I've been cloistering for months. Maybe I should have been a nun. I live with my sister, so I guess you can call me Sister Kerry. Her name is Ella and she is very tolerant of my routines. God bless her! She is a saint, but not a New Orleans Saint. I've prayed many decades on my beads, but not on Mardi Gras beads. And, I've yearned to catch a parade somewhere! I even have the masks. I've completed 3 mega-challenging crossword books. So, now, I need more erasers. I've won billions of credits on my iPad games and earned the accompanying eye strain.

The worst thing about this has been that I gained 5 lbs. after exhausting my M&M stash.

Finally, I broke loose from my Habit or habits and dared a field trip within a 10 mile radius of my quarters

The most delightful and insightful and unexpected journeys can be found in nearby surroundings.

Kerry LeMaire







## SOMETHING GOOD FROM SOMETHING BAD

### By Bonnie R. Wall

Growing up I know all of us have heard elders say "Something Good Comes From Something Bad; Everything Happens For A Reason; Sometimes Good Things Fall Apart So Better Things Can Grow; Stay Positive, Better Days Are On The Way; Every Cloud Has A Silver Lining; It's A Blessing In Disguise; Good Medicine Tastes Bitter; Watch What You Ask For, You Might Get It, etc. etc. etc. Never understood what all this meant until my "Wisdom Comes With Age" era.

The first article I wrote was after Katrina. No need for explanation. All of us lived and experienced the GOOD kindness of strangers while evacuating and existing after the BAD storm. Never in a billion years would I have thought to be doing a sequel, but here it is. This time the BAD is named COVID-19.

GOOD: I started physical walking exercise program twice a day, spiritually doing two Rosaries in AM and one in PM, while soaking up lots of Vitamin D, socializing with old neighbors, and welcoming new. BAD: Gretna patrol car stopped and rolled window half-way down. I greeted him with a smile and cheery "Good Morning." Needless to say his reaction was totally unexpected. So serious, it scared me. Thought he was going to say "get inside, a dangerous person was reported in the area." No, instead he guestioned who I was and where I live. After I answered his guestions, he told me a neighbor called about a strange lady walking in neighborhood wearing a large black hat and carrying a red purse. Smiling I said, "Which one of my neighbors turned me in?" thinking it was a joke. No, this was dead serious. He would not tell me who since this was an official call. I explained the contents of the red bag were some jewelry I was bringing to a neighbor/friend/jeweler I was meeting when she was leaving for work. Now I know what profiling feels like. When the officer let me go (thank-you-very-much), I turned to go to that friend's house and saw two other patrol cars turning around to exit the street. My neighbor came out to greet me; we talked, laughed, and exchanged the bag. She said the other two cars were parked in the vicinity of her house as backups. GOOD: This reaffirmed that we have excellent police protection in Gretna and Jefferson Parish. BAD: I thought after living in my home for fifty years all my neighbors know me, except the newest ones. I brought my usual "Welcome To Our Neighborhood" plant to the five recent additions so they should all know me now. BAD: I still don't know who called. Walking home, I noticed instead of my pants being black with tiny white stripes to go with black silk shirt, black hat with white flower accent, and black and white pumps, I was wearing my navy-blue pants with tiny white stripes. I thought, "Oh it was a GOOD thing he didn't notice that or he would have called and reported me to the FASHION PO-LICE!"

GOOD: Due to the stock market plunge caused by COVID, the investment club I am in continues to meet, share, learn, and prosper strictly online. In March, the study group purchased Apple stock at its lowest price in the down market. At our August virtual meeting, an exciting double GOOD happened when the group had the opportunity to buy more stock, this time at a higher price, but still lower than before the drop and just in time for a split the following week. BAD: None!

GOOD: The Desk and Derrick Club of the Westbank started the year all excited about hosting our five-day Southeast Region Meeting in April on a Sea Cruise in the Gulf of Mexico to Cozumel under the direction of Southeast Region Director Susan Miller, also a member of Westbank D&D. BAD: The Region Meeting was cancelled, along with our club's monthly meetings. GOOD: Region and International ADDC Boards are doing virtual monthly meetings, taking care of necessary Association business. Westbank plans to conduct virtual meetings via Zoom for Orientation program in October and Officer Installation program in November. We are also hopeful we will be celebrating Christmas with membership at a real in-person luncheon in December.

Optimistically going forward, ADDC plans for "Back To Normal" in 2021 – whatever "normal" may be then. A major part of those plans is under the leadership of one of the three general arrangements co-chairmen, 2020 Westbank President Angie Duplessis, as we prepare for the 2021 ADDC Convention and Educational Conference in New Orleans. *"Laissez Les Bons Temps Rouler."* 

GOOD: I've been doing a lot of "I'll do this another day" projects around house, inside and out. One of many such projects was turning a steel waterfall/fountain in the pool area into a home for great-nephew Coby's turtle, Turt. On a beautiful sunny day wearing safety glasses, gloves, cloth mask, and a long-sleeve shirt, I started spray painting the bottom laver. When I got to the slightly closed-in area under the upper level and sides down to the base, I saw a mist. I went into the house to get a fan for more ventilation and cool off by washing my face and arms. As I looked into the mirror, BAD: I saw a thin black line between my safety glasses and mask. When I removed both, to my great surprise I saw my nose inside and out were black. I quickly started cleaning up and noticed no black paint on the outside but still saw two faint lines inside. How did paint get on my face? An OMG moment, I had breathed in the mist. After a quick shower, I was off to Ochsner ER about five minutes away. GOOD: excellent care and doctor's report following exam. The doctor said the paint was a fine vapor, hence it could travel through the fabric mask. BAD: The next day she called me. My mind immediately went to the dark side, thinking she was calling because she found out she had the virus and was contacting her patients. Wrong! It was GOOD: a first for me. She was calling to see how I was. In my lifetime I have been in emergency rooms only three times, age seventy-three, seventy-four, and now seventy-five. BAD: when they asked what I was there for each time I had to say "STUPIDITY". Cousin Debbie asked if I was trying to invent new ways to use super glue, spray paint, and inventing a one pill fits all. This story is subject to be a future article.

BAD: I was not able to be at the hospital for the birth of first great grandniece "Charlie Lane Ott." GOOD: Through modern technology, I was able to be there virtually from the comfort of parents' Hattiesburg home. Soon to be two months old, I'm doing virtual and in person visiting with our new family member. GOOD: I'm doing the same with cousins Tatum, Lexi, Brandi, Deb, and Dega from Prairieville, friends and family here, there, and everywhere on both sides. GOOD: A few days before quality time with parents-to-be and while they were in hospital grandmother and great-grandmother filled their freezer with a month of home cooked meals. GREAT: When they returned we all had forty-eight hours of family "lovin"!

GOOD: I know this one is hard for anyone who knows me to believe, but "I CAN COOK!" It is still my least favorite thing to do, though. VERY BAD: Now family and friends are not making as many to-go boxes or freezer containers filled with their delicious "Home Cooking" to bring to me.

sometimes good things fall apart so better things can fall together



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#### October 2020

Dear Members,

As of this writing, I am preparing my reports for the "Pre-Convention" virtual Meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup> for the 2020 ADDC Board and for the "Post -Convention" virtual meeting for the 2020-2021 ADDC Board. Thankfully, with Zoom we are able to conduct our business and get all our necessary business done and get the 2021 Board ready to take over in January. I sure hope it will be a better year for everyone.

Usually I would be talking in this letter about the ADDC Convention, but we all know we had to cancel it due to the pandemic. But now, we can start planning and looking forward to the 2021 Region meetings and the ADDC Convention to be held in New Orleans, LA, hosted by the clubs of the Southeast Region.

Members, we must continue growing our membership in Desk and Derrick to help the Association prosper. I know it seems like we have not reached our full potential and received the full benefit of Desk and Derrick membership this year, but this is just a temporary setback and we know next year things will return to a more normal level of activity.

The club presidents by now have received the certificates for all AIMEE winners that would normally be given out at Convention. Congratulations to everyone with a bulletin, article, program, field trip, seminar, or photograph entered – and a big CONGRATULATIONS to all the first place AIMEE winners. As you know, the 2020 Contest deadline is fast approaching, so finalize your articles, programs, field trips, and photos as this year is winding down. Please start thinking about what you want to submit and get your information in before the deadline.

Also, step up and run for a 2021 office for your local club if you have not submitted your name yet. The Harvest Season has already begun. We need to pick up our shovels and hoes and start digging to see what kind of crops we have grown in our Desk and Derrick oilfields. You may be surprised at what will be waiting for you when your crops are harvested.

Have a safe Halloween!!

Susan Miller 2020 Southeast Region Director

# **Around the Southeast Region**

**The Desk and Derrick Club of Victoria** is planning their 32nd Annual Desk and Derrick Club of Victoria Golf Tournament on Friday October 16, 2020 at 9 am-2 pm. They are holding a one-day golf tournament fundraiser. Funds from the tournament support the club's education fund. Golfers are invited to come out and have fun playing golf on the course! This year they are offering a one-day tournament, so golfers still have the entire weekend to enjoy with family!

Interested parties can email ADDCVictoria@gmail.com or call/text 281-728-6594 or 361-649-1790 with questions or to request a registration form. Registration form also posted in the event discussion on the club's Facebook page.

**The Desk and Derrick Club of Baton Rouge** cancelled their September meeting but are hopeful they will be able to meet on October 20th.

**The Desk and Derrick Club of New Orleans** met via Zoom in September with only a couple of hiccups. They are planning to meet in October at Rocky and Carlos in a private room.

**The Desk and Derrick Club of Lafayette** congratulates club member Tifani Leal: "Tifani will welcome everyone to the <u>#1Call2020</u> Seminar! Tifani is the President and Second Gen of A1 Professional Answering Service Inc.; on the National Amtelco Equipment Owners (NAEO) Board of Directors as Professional Development/Education Chair, Membership Chair, and Hospital User Group (HUG) Vice Chair; President of Association of TeleServices International, Inc.; and a Member of CAM-X and Desk and Derrick Club of Lafayette"

# And in the West Region



The Desk and Derrick Club of Farmington is ready for:



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September really seemed to fly by within the blink of an eye! As the world tries to recover from COVID-19, the virus continues to let us know that it's a fighter, and it is determined to find a way to keep going. On the positive side, we've been getting a nice preview of nice Fall temperatures here in Arkansas. I've seen several trees beginning to display beautiful hues of orange and gold, welcoming the departure of harsh Summer temperatures and high humidity. While I admit I am a fan of summertime, this Summer hasn't been the same, and the normal outdoor activities that I enjoy during warm weather didn't happen this year. I'm happy to get a break from the heat now.

September without ADDC Convention was not the same. We've been working on updating our Convention hotel contracts for 2021, 2022, and 2023 to make sure we don't set ourselves up for the same possible financial loss we were facing this year due to the pandemic. We got lucky with the Sheraton Pittsburgh in the end though. Since the hotel is still not back to normal operations and would not have been able to host our Convention last month, we were able to void our contract with them, allowing us to renegotiate a more favorable contract or look at other hotel options that better fit our needs for 2022. Considering our attendance in 2022 could be lower; the room, food, and beverage requirements in the existing contract would have made it very difficult to meet without losing money.

The 2020 Registrar Committee is still receiving and counting club ballots for our election of 2021 Officers. The current problems plaguing the US Postal Service led to some presidents not receiving their official ballots timely, even though they were mailed out several weeks before the deadline to return them. Since this is our first time to elect our officers in this unusual manner, we want to make sure your voices are heard and that every club that submits a ballot by the deadline is counted. We still hope to announce the election results around October 1. I know we are all anxious to know and to congratulate our newly elected 2021 Board. Stay tuned!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financials are also on their way in the coming days. There are just too many things happening in the past few weeks, but we're almost there. After the upcoming Board Meeting, we'll have more to report

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

Keith

### Club Bylaws/Guidelines Review Committee

Judi Adams Chairman email: <u>dandd.judi@gmail.com</u> cell: 504-407-7443

#### Rena Shaffer Co-Chairman email: rena@eagleog.com

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Region Representatives Northeast – Shelly Hildebrant Southeast –Lisa McCoy Central – Lois Roberts West – Helen Trujillo Board Contact – Casi Nichols



The Club Bylaws/Guidelines Review Committee was created by amendment at Convention in 2019, combining committee responsibilities for the Club Bylaws Review and Manuals Review committees. The new committee is responsible for reviewing the club and region bylaws and ensuring they are in compliance with ADDC Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Code of Ethics and ensuring that all ADDC committee guidelines and forms are updated and aligned with current procedures.

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**Club and Region Bylaws**: Effective January 2020, all clubs must send their bylaws to be reviewed on a four-year rotation. Per standard procedures, if your club passes any change to its Bylaws, Standing Rules, or Code of Ethics (other than changes based on ADDC Bylaws amendments), your club must submit them to be reviewed. Please follow procedures for submitting bylaws using *Exhibit A Letter of Transmittal for Club Bylaws Review*.

**Committee Guidelines:** Co-Chairman Rena Shaffer has recently submitted numerous committee guidelines to be posted on the ADDC website. However, several committees still have not had guidelines reviewed for several years; Rena is reaching out to the chairmen to request that these (and ALL) guidelines be reviewed before the end of 2020. All documents must also be in the correct format, per the Board-approved process.

Most forms and guidelines are now available on the ADDC website under Committees, Club Bylaws/Guidelines Review or contact Rena <u>and</u> me and we will help you.

Should you have any questions regarding your club or region bylaws or ADDC committee guidelines or the process for updating and/or submitting them for review, please contact Rena <u>and</u> me via email (<u>Rena Shaffer</u> AND <u>Judi Adams</u>).

Attached is a list of clubs that were due to have their Bylaws reviewed in 2020 and clubs scheduled to be reviewed in 2021. If your club has not submitted your Bylaws for review as scheduled this year, please submit them by November 1<sup>st</sup> at the latest to be in compliance with Guidelines.

Judi Adams, 2020 Chairman Rena Shaffer, 2020 Co-Chairman Club Bylaws/Guidelines Review Committee

Cc: Casi Nichols; Committee Members

Northeast Region	Northeast Region
ay Area	Three Rivers
uckeye	Tri State
il Heritage	
enn-York	
Tuscarawas Valley	
Vest Virginia	
West Region	West Region
Amarillo	Artesia
Midland	Grande Prairie
Pampa	Roswell
Central	Central
Butler	Butler County
Dallas	Wichita
Fort Worth	
Great Bend	
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Red Earth	
Wichita Falls	
Southeast Region	Southeast Region
Baton Rouge	Corpus Christi
El Dorado	San Antonio
Morgan City	
New Orleans	
Red River	

Although we didn't have a 2020 ADDC Convention, you may enjoy reflecting on the 1980 Convention through the words of Kerry Le Maire.

# ADDC CONVENTION '80 RETROSPECT

IT WASN'T UNTIL ANGIE DROPPED ME OFF SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND I DRAGGED MY LUGGAGE UP TO THE SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT STAIR-WAY AND FUMBLED IT INTO A HEAP ON THE LIVING ROOM FLOOR THAT I REALIZED I TRULY SURVIVED THE PANDEMONIUM OF THIS MAMMOTH CONVENTION.

WITH APPROXIMATELY 1550 DESK & DERRICK CLUB MEMBERS THROUGH-OUT THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA ATTENDING BUSINESS MEETINGS, SOCIAL FUNCTIONS AND OTHER MATTERS, IT TOOK ME A WHILE TO ADJUST BEING WITH SUCH A MASSIVE GROUP.

THE MANY ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED PROVIDED "NON-STOP FLIGHTS" TO THE INTERNATIONAL FOYER, INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM, GRAND BALLROOM, IMPERIAL BALLROOM, BAYOU II ROOM, ORLEANS ROOM, GOLD ROOM, AND CREOLE ROOM - NOT TO MENTION THE MANY TRIPS UP AND DOWN THE ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS.

THE GATHERING ALSO SWARMED TO REGISTRATION AND FLUTTERED TO AND FRO TO HOSPITALITY SUITES, PHOTOGRAPHY, BUSINESS SESSIONS, OFFICIAL PROGRAMS. NUMEROUS ACTIVITIES ENTICED THE GROUPS THROUGH ENTERTAINMENT SPOTLIGHTS, MARDI GRAS JAMBOREES AND REVELRY OF "JUBILATION" AND"OLYMPIA BRASS" BANDS AND THE WHOLE SWINGING THING TOPPED OFF WITH PETE FOUNTAIN AND TOP DRAWER AMUSEMENTS IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

SEEMINGLY THERE WAS AN ENDLESS STREAM OF WELCOMES, GOODBYES, PRESENTATIONS, KEYNOTE ADDRESSES, ENERGY EXHIBITS, AWARDS, PRIZES, GOURNET BANQUETS AND BUSY BUSY WESTBANK MEMBERS.

THE AMIABLE CHEMISTRY OF THE WHOLE SYNERGISTIC GROUP MUST HAVE SEEMED ELECTRIFYING TO THE ON-WATCHERS.

ALTHOUGH I CANNOT OVERSTATE THE DAZZLING IMPRESSIONS LEFT WITH ME BECAUSE OF THE CONVENTION I MUST RELAY TO YOU THE CEREMONY THAT PROVOKED MY EMOTIONS AND LEFT ME HEAVYHEARTED - THE FINALE. IF YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN TO A CONVENTION, THE TRADITIONAL "MAY THE GOOD LORD BLESS AND KEEP YOU" IS SUNG AS EVERYONE IN THE ROOM HOLD HANDS. AS THE SECOND STANZA BEGAN ONE COULD FEEL THE DEEP SINCERE FELLOWSHIP PERMEATING THE PRESENCE.OF OUR ASSEMBLAGE.

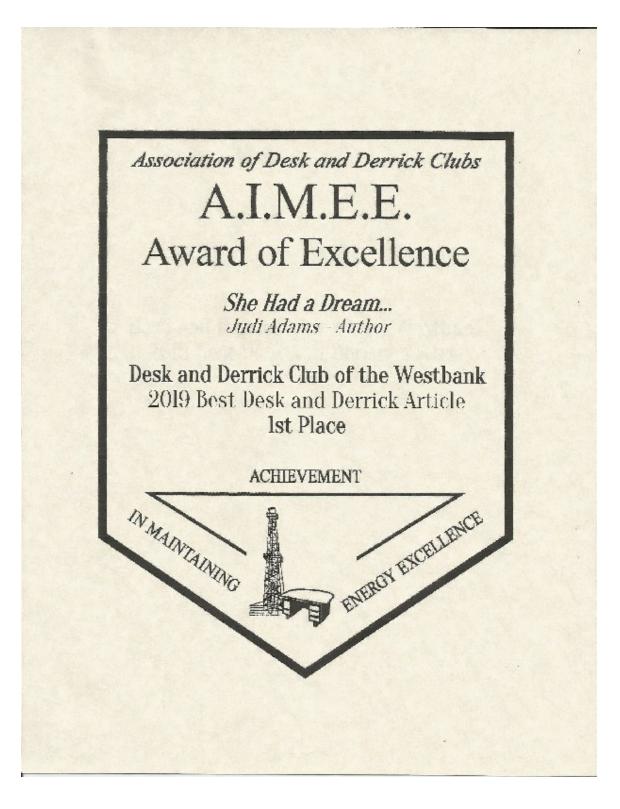
LOOKING BACK THROUGH MY COLLECTION OF CONVENTION MEMENTOS I DIRECTED MY ATTENTION TO A BANQUET MENU SIGNED BY ALL THE LADIES SITTING AT THE TABLE AND WONDERED IF I WOULD EVER SEE THEM AGAIN. AND THEN I SMILED. NATURALLY, ALL OF OUR COLLEAGUES WILL TRAVEL ANEW - EVEN IF ITS IN MEMORY.

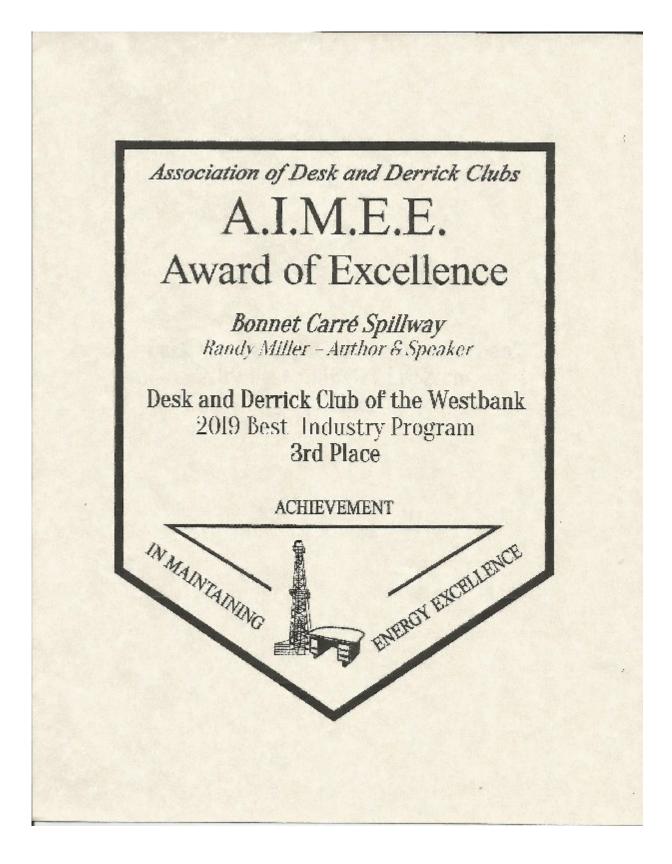
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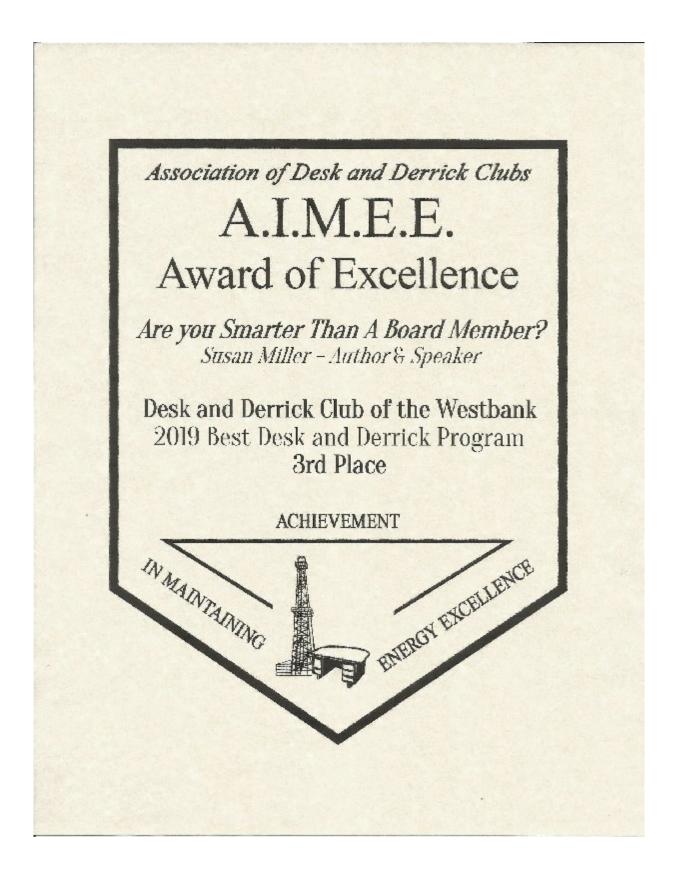
KERRY LYNN LE MAIRE

2020 ADDC AIMEE AWARDS			
BULLETIN	First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Best Small Bulletin	West	Central	Northeast
	Roswell	Great Bend	Buckeye
Best Large Bulletin	West	Central	Southeast
	Farmington	Wichita Falls	Lafayette
	Southeast	West	Central
Best Industry Article	Lafayette	Farmington	Wichita
Best President's Letter	Central	Northeast	West
	Wichita	Tuscarawas Valley	Alberta Foothills
Best Desk and Derrick Article	Southeast	Central	West
	Westbank	Lone Star	Farmington
PROGRAM			
Best Industry Program	Central	Northeast	Southeast
	Wichita Falls	Tuscarawas Valley	Westbank
Best Desk and Derrick Program	West	Central	Southeast
	Farmington	Graham	Westbank
Best Industry Seminar	West	Southeast	Northeast
	Farmington	Victoria	Buckeye
Best Industry Field Trip	Southeast	West	Central
	Victoria	Farmington	Oklahoma City
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# Oil demand won't recover for at least 18 months, say

# top traders by Andy Hoffman and Laura Hurst (9/30/2020)

(Bloomberg) --Global oil demand won't meaningfully recover for at least 18 months, said the heads of the world's biggest independent trading houses.

Speaking at the FT Commodities Global Summit on Tuesday, some of the most influential people in the oil market offered a dim outlook.

"It is very hard to be bullish on the oil price now and into Christmas," said Ben Luckock, co-head of oil trading at Trafigura Group.

Mercuria Energy Group Chief Executive Marco Dunand said oil consumption could rebound from the coronavirus in about 18 months, while Torbjorn Tornqvist, his counterpart at Gunvor Group Ltd., and hedge fund manager Pierre Andurand both saw the timeframe closer to two years.

Daily consumption is still 4 million to 5 million barrels day below where it was expected to be before the pandemic, said Russell Hardy, the chief executive of Vitol Group, the biggest independent oil trader. He doesn't expect a meaningful pickup in demand until at least the summer of 2021.

Gunvor and Mercuria each handle more than 2 million barrels of oil and petroleum products per day, giving them keen insight on global need for hydrocarbons. Vitol traded more than 8 million barrels a day in 2019 though volumes have dropped significantly this year as economies were locked down to slow the spread of Covid-19.

While China's oil demand is more or less back to pre-pandemic levels, consumption in Europe and the Americas remain weak, Gunvor's Tornqvist said. "The picture doesn't look good right now," he said. "Short-term, the demand question is such that risk is probably to the downside."

#### **Bearish Signs**

Amid the bearish demand outlook, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies are mulling a production increase of 2 million barrels a day from January 2021. Saudi Arabia, Russia and the rest of the group have made historic output cuts this year in an effort to offset demand losses.

Dunand and Andurand said there is about 12 million barrels a day of spare production capacity, even after a raft of U.S. shale production shut-downs.

Traders aren't expecting a major price move in the next six months as demand will stay weak. Dunand said Mercuria sees Brent crude at \$45 a barrel by mid-2021 while Gunvor's Tornqvist expects prices in the mid-to-high \$40s and perhaps even \$50 a barrel.

Vitol's Hardy said oil prices could be "up a bit," by mid-next year but "I don't have great expectations."

Andurand, the founder and chief investment officer of Andurand Capital, said the pandemic had accelerated his forecast for when global oil demand would peak.

"Before Covid, we thought oil demand would peak in 2027 or 2028," he said. "Maybe that has moved forward a bit closer now to 2026."

Source: worldoil.com

# Wind Energy – Pros and Cons by Judi Adams

Like all energy source, there are advantages and disadvantages, including wind energy. Let's review some of the top pros and cons of generating electricity from wind turbines.

# Top pros and cons of wind energy

Wind energy is one of the most commonly used types of renewable energy in the U.S. today, and it's one of our fastest-growing sources of electricity. Despite a number of environmental benefits to using wind energy, there are some downsides.

Pro: wind is a clean, renewable energy source and is one of the most cost-effective sources for electricity. Con: wind turbines can be noisy and unappealing aesthetically and can adversely impact the physical environment. Also, like solar power, wind power is intermittent; turbines rely on weather and aren't capable of generating electricity 24/7.

Let's look at these pros and cons in a bit more detail.

# **Advantages of Wind Energy**

## Wind energy is clean and renewable

Wind, unlike coal, natural gas, or oil, doesn't generate electricity that results in greenhouse gas emissions. There may be some environmental considerations that come with building large wind farms, but once they are running, wind turbines don't operate with fossil fuels. Plus, wind energy is 100% renewable and will never be depleted. Traditional fossil fuels resources however replenish very slowly, but wind naturally occurs in our atmosphere. We won't worry about wind supply in the future.

## Wind energy has low operating costs

Wind farms or individual turbines can be expensive to install initially. Once up and running, thought, the operating costs are relatively low; their fuel (wind) is free, and turbines require little maintenance over their lifetimes.

## Wind energy is space-efficient

Wind farms can and do take up a lot of land space; however, the actual turbines and equipment don't use up a lot of real estate. So the land used for wind turbines can often also be used for multiple purposes, like farming.

## **Disadvantages of Wind Energy**

## Wind energy is intermittent

It can be hard to predict how much electricity a wind turbine can generate over time. The effectiveness in generating electricity depends on the weather: if wind speeds are too low on any given day, the turbine's rotor won't spin. So, wind energy isn't always available in times of peak electricity demand. Energy storage technology must be paired with wind energy if it is to be used exclusively for electricity.

# Wind energy causes noise and visual pollution

The biggest downsides of wind energy are the noise and visual pollution. The mechanical operation and wind vortex created when the blades are rotating can create noise when turbines operate. Also, wind turbines must installed high enough to capture the wind, so turbines can often disrupt scenic landscapes and views of mountain ranges, lakes, and oceans.

Wind turbines have negative impacts on their surrounding environment. Since wind turbine blades are very large and rotate at very high speeds, unfortunately the blades can and do harm and kill species that fly into them, like birds and bats. The construction of wind farms disrupts natural habitats of local species unless they are done sustainably. Using technological advancements and choosing sites for wind farms that have little impact on wildlife should be part of any plans for new sites.



Source: https://www.energysage.com/about-clean-energy/wind/pros-cons-wind-energy/ Additional resources:

- \* Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, Wind Vision: A New Era for Wind Power in the United States, <u>https://www.energy.gov/eere/wind/maps/wind-vision</u>
- \* Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, Wind Energy Basics, https://www.energy.gov/eere/wind/wind-energy-basics

### WHAT ARE FRACKING MYTHS? (SOURCE: API.ORG)

Some say the fracking debate is over, while others think the debate is just getting started. Those who think the debate is just getting started believe fracking causes earthquakes and contaminates drinking water. Many people believe the states are doing a poor job of regulating the fracking process. However, these arguments are nothing but myths. Here are 5 fracking facts to prove the debate is over. Fracking is short for hydraulic fracturing, a method of drilling used to releases natural gas from shale rock formations deep beneath the ground. Hydraulic fracturing methods have been used for decades. Advances in technology have made it more efficient and accessible as ever.

### Myth 1. Fracking causes drinking water contamination

Since the late 1940s, the U.S. has used hydraulic fracturing as a method to release gas. The combinations of fracking and horizontal drilling lets drillers extract oil and gas from areas that, in the past, were impossible to reach. Drinking water is located just a few feet underground, while fracking takes place more than 7,000 feet underground. Solid rock separates the oil and gas deposits from shallow ground water.

#### Myth 2. Fracking causes earthquakes

Federal officials say the act of fracking does not cause earthquakes. Fracking in this respect is separate from wastewater disposal. An experts from the U.S. Geological Survey told NPR, "Fracking itself probably does not put enough energy into the ground to trigger an earthquake. That's really not something that we should be concerned about."

### Myth 3. States are not regulating fracking efficiently

States insist that fracking and wastewater disposal is done properly with the highest level of efficiency and safety. Fracking is better regulated by the state because the state understands its environment and how fracking should regulated.

"States are stepping up and doing a good job," says federal EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson.



# A Helping Hand - Southeast Louisiana Suffers from Hurricane Laura

Many companies stepped up to lend a helping hand to the residents and businesses that sustained damage and loss from Hurricane Laura. Here are some of the things done by energy companies:

**Shell Oil Company** will contribute over \$300,000 in donations from across its Louisiana lines of business to assist the relief and recovery efforts in Southwest Louisiana following Hurricane Laura.

Donations from Shell's Louisiana businesses includes:

- · \$40,000 donation to the Community Foundation of Southwest Louisiana
- \$10,000 donation to the American Red Cross
- · \$25,000 donation to Second Harvest of Acadiana
- · \$50,000 donation to United Way of Southwest Louisiana
- \$50,000 to stand up and deploy Shell volunteer clean up and rebuilding events
- . \$90,000 to provide shower stations and restroom trailers to hardest hit areas
- \$10,000 to provide humanitarian supplies to hardest hit areas
- \$35,000 to fund Shell volunteer cooking teams to feed over 3,000 people in hardest hit areas

**Chevron Corporation** donated a total of \$500,000 and 8,000 gallons of fuel to assist those in Cameron and Calcasieu parishes affected by Hurricane Laura. The company is also coordinating employee supply drives, providing an additional \$10,000 in gas gift cards, and matching employees' charitable contributions.

The ExxonMobil Baton Rouge Refinery and distributor Lard Oil donated a combined ~28,000 gallons of Synergy gasoline<sup>™</sup> and Synergy Diesel Efficient <sup>™</sup> to support Hurricane Laura recovery efforts in the Lake Charles and Sulphur communities. ExxonMobil says that the gasoline and diesel comes from the Baton Rouge refinery terminal, and Lard Oil will transport the fuel to the impacted areas for distribution to emergency responders.







### PUMPKIN SPICE POKE CAKE YIELDS:12 SERVINGS PREP TIME:0 HOURS 15 MINS TOTAL TIME:1 HOUR 30 MINS

# INGREDIENTS

1 box vanilla cake mix

- 1 (15-oz.) can pumpkin puree
- 1 (10-oz.) jar caramel
- 1 (8-oz.) container whipped topping

Pumpkin pie spice, for garnish

1/4 c. toasted chopped pecans



# DIRECTIONS

Preheat oven to 350° and line a 9"-x-13" pan with parchment. In a large bowl, combine cake mix and pumpkin puree and whisk until smooth. Spread batter into prepared pan and bake until a toothpick inserted into the middle of the cake comes out clean, 27 to 30 minutes. Let cake cool completely.

Using the back of a wooden spoon, poke holes all over surface of the cake. Pour caramel to fill holes.

Spread whipped topping all over the top of cake, then sprinkle with pumpkin pie spice and drizzle with more caramel. Sprinkle with chopped pecans. Cut into squares and serve.

(It's a holiday dessert – don't worry about the nutritional value! You can cut back on the caramel drizzle or use light whipped topping to cut back on carbs and calories.)

Source: Delish.com





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