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Desk and Derrick Awareness Month

Key Concepts of Flexibility

Prepare Yourself

Base daily, weekly, and long-range goals on sound priorities.

Change Your Approach

Look at changed circumstances from various perspectives.

Be Positive

Uncover new opportunities by reapplying the purposes behind your goals.

Honor Leaders

Understand your supervisor's goals so that you can understand his or her instructions.

Finish Well

Do not use flexibility as an excuse for procrastination. Deal with interruptions and return to work.

Rewards of Flexibility:

Insight: The willingness to change one's ideas or plans in favor of another's gives new insight into activities or perspectives not yet explored.

Success: Resisting the good advice of others may lead to wrong decisions. If one is willing to change his or her plans in response to good advice, success will result from wise decisions.

Courtesy of:
"Achieving True Success – How to Build Character as a Family"



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Greater Knowledge

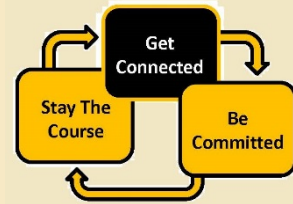


Greater Service





DESK AND DERRICK CLUB OF TULSA
Wednesday, March 9th at 11:30
The Summit Club, 15 West 6th Street



DESK AND DERRICK AWARENESS MONTH

Take advantage of
the knowledge in
the room!

Be there to help
honor our Past
Presidents!

Learn about our
Mission, our Purpose,
our Past and our
Future!

Bring a friend and/or
coworker and introduce
them to what we have
to offer!

Find out how you can
invest in your future
through D&D!

Come bid on some **AWESOME** items in our
SILENT AUCTION FUNDRAISER!

Luncheon price is \$27 for
members and \$32 for non-
members, **if paying by credit
card**. There is a \$2 discount
for payment by cash or check.
NO CHARGE for no meal.

Members and guests **must** make a reservation for meal
functions by emailing or calling the contact chairperson,
Laura Disinger at www.reservations@tulsadandd.net
or (918) 845-8365. Members may attend the meeting
only – no meal for no fee, but please do let the Contact
Chairman know ahead of time. You should do so by the
Friday prior to the meeting. All attendees need to make
a reservation.



Fundraiser

\$\$
**AUCTION
ITEMS**
\$\$

Desk & Derrick Club of Tulsa

Silent Auction

All proceeds collected go to the D&D Club of Tulsa

A few of the items.....
there are more.....



Bids accepted by email and at the March 9 membership meeting.

Bids by Email (starting now)

Email your bid to jklein@palmerpetro.com

You will be notified if you have been outbid and given a chance to submit another bid.

Bids at Meeting (Summit Club)

You may bid on items until 12 noon on March 9, 2016

Bids will be tallied and winners announced

Merchandise will be available to winners to take home after payment of amount owed

Please contact Betty Hodge or Jill Klein if you need an expanded description of the items.

jklein@palmerpetro.com
durangohodge@aol.com

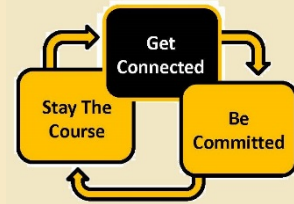


PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa

President's Letter



Desk and Derrick Awareness

Basketball

Julius Caesar and the Roman calendar

Springtime

Easter

From all the clues above, I'm sure the first one gave you the answer. But just in case:

March Madness

Ides of March

March 19

March 27

March is the answer; March is Desk and Derrick Awareness Month.

But this is more than just a "marker" on our Club's calendar. It began back in 1949 for our Tulsa Club, which represents many years, members, meetings, committees and Past Presidents. It's the Hopes and Dreams of those who've come before us today to ensure Desk and Derrick continues to serve a viable interest in our communities and for those we work with each day. They have served silently and diligently since the beginning. And at our March 9th Membership Meeting we will be honoring each of them who have given of their time, talents, ideas, and of the lessons they continue to share with us.

Plus.....the winning bids for our Silent Auction items fundraiser will be tallied and announced. Come at 11:30 a.m. to begin the buffet line and look over these items. Bids will close at 12 noon.

Come and learn some history of our Association, and who has tirelessly worked to keep our Club reaching for the Hopes and Dreams of us all. See you there!

Karen Gibbs



Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa

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Secretary	Jill Klein
Treasurer	Jonathan Slay
Parliamentarian	Val Bode
Immediate Past President	Vicki Barnes
Director 2015-2016	Laura Disinger
Director 2015-2016	Betty Hodge
Director 2016-2017	Alex Schellhorn
Director 2016-2017	OPEN

Standing Committees

Bulletin	Kay Williams
Bylaws	Kris Russell
Contact	Laura Disinger
Convention	Jill Klein
Education	Vicki Barnes
Membership	Jill Klein
Orientation	Kay Williams
Program	Vicki Barnes
Public Relations	Dee Jansen
Roster/Website	Val Bode
Scrapbook	OPEN
Social	Brenda Bennett & Susan Cook / Co-Chairs

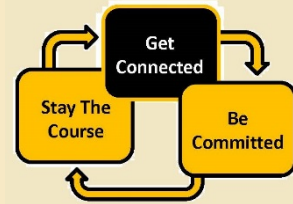
Special Committees

Abbreviator	Gaye Marrs
ADDC Awards	Vicki Barnes
ADDC Nominating	<i>Board Elects in April</i>
Student Outreach/Scholarship	Alex Schellhorn
Fundraising	Laura Disinger
Golf Tournament	Laura Disinger
Historian	Dee Jansen
Industry Appreciation Luncheon (IAL)	Mary Williams
Nominating	<i>Board Elects in August</i>
Tally	Kay Williams
Vision	Mary Williams



February Presentation Recap

by Mary Williams



Lori Fullbright anchors the 5 pm news each night with Craig Day on KOTV News on 6. Although petite in size she covers tough stories and she is dedicated to educating the community on how to stay safe. Her energetic style while providing pertinent information at the Desk and Derrick February Luncheon Meeting was captivating to say the least.

Her safety pointers includes:

- * Watching your purse while in the grocery store. She actually lifted a woman's purse while on assignment for extended amount of time and when she returned it, the woman simply stated " I was looking for shrimp."
- * Keep your keys in your pocket and not in your purse, and if your purse is stolen, at least you can get home.
- * Never fight to keep your purse as your life is much more valuable.



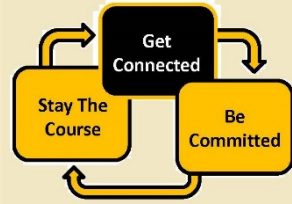
Moreover, do not get in a car when you are faced with an abduction attempt. SCREAM!!! Get loud as you can and FIGHT to stay free from abductors. Watch the "Can you give me directions tactic."

Lori has traveled the world bringing news back to Oklahomans, however, she continues to keep the beat of the city streets of Tulsa a main priority!





Strike a Pose



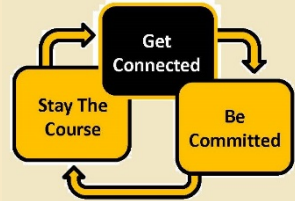
New Member Pinning Ceremony



Treasurer's Report



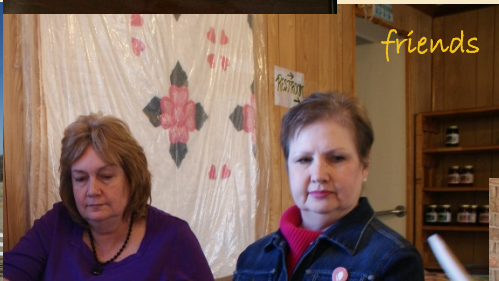
Amish Luncheon



Fabulous!



fresh air



friends



fun



fellowship



friends



fellowship



food



friends



fellowship



family



fellowship



fun

farm animals



friends



family



food



farm animals



friends



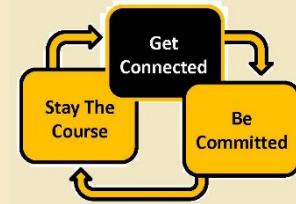
fellowship



friends



UPCOMING EVENTS



BOARD MEETING	MEMBERSHIP MEETING	MEAL/FUNCTION
February 29th	March 9th	Lunch/D&D Awareness
April 4th	April 13th	Lunch
May 2nd	May 11th	Lunch
May 31st*	June 8th	Lunch
June 27th**	July 13th	Lunch
August 1st	August 10th	Dinner/Summer Social
August 29th	September 14th	Lunch
October 3rd	October 12th	Lunch/Orientation/Elections (CLOSED MEETING)
November 1st***	November 9th	Lunch/Industry Appreciation
December 5th	Decembr 14th	Dinner/Winter Social/Installation

- * Monday, May 30th is Memorial Day
- ** Monday, July 4th is Independence Day
- *** Monday, October 31st is Halloween

SPECIAL MEETINGS

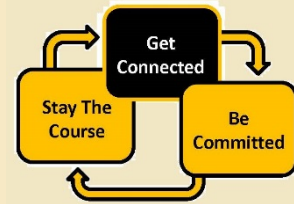
Vision 2016:	March 24, 2016 5:30pm @ Scisserou's, 107 N. Boulder	
2016 Region VI Meeting:	April 28-May 1, 2016 in Great Bend, KS	<i>Registration Packet now available</i>
65th Annual ADDC Convention:	September 21-24, 2016 in Denver, CO Host: Region VII Clubs at Crowne Plaza Hotel	Registration Packet Coming Soon
2017 Region VI Meeting:	April 27-30, 2017 in Tulsa, OK	Volunteers needed!

SPECIAL EVENTS

TGS/D&D 17th Annual Black Gold Golf Tournament	April 25, 2016	Volunteers needed!
Mayfest - TGC Fossil Dig	May 19-22, 2016	Volunteers needed!
Pipeline and Energy Expo	September 19-21, 2016	Volunteers needed!



Vision Meeting



Hello Desk and Derrick Team,

I hope you have enjoyed all the chocolates your heart desires!

It is time for you to share your vision for the Desk and Derrick Club. We really desire to hear from each of you!

Particularly, We would like to see and hear from all Directors and Committee Chairs as we garner support from one another to fulfill the plans for our club. Our President Karen Gibbs is looking ahead for a great 2016 and lets share the vision!

We truly want to hear more from the :

Social Committee

Golf Tournament Team

Program Chair

Vision Committee

Membership Chair...etc.

Come share your goals and tell the club how to get involved!!!



***There are still committee positions to be filled and you might be the one to do it!
Join us at for the 2016 VISION MEETING:***

Sisserou's Restaurant, on March 24, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. and enjoy an atmosphere that is inspired by the colorful cuisine of the island of Dominica, the Nature Isle of the Caribbean. The food is delicious and the service is first class.

After the meeting, you may opt to go visit the Living Arts Museum for a special exhibit.

Scisserou's is located at 107 N. Boulder next to Mexicali 's in the Brady District Archer & Main). Living Arts Museum is located on Cincinnati and Brady, all in walking distance if you prefer to exercise after dinner.

Sincerely yours,

Mary L. Williams

Vice President, Tulsa Desk and Derrick Club

The greatest mistake we make is living in constant fear that we will make one.

John Maxwell



It's That Time Again



The Tulsa Geological Society and The Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa are co-hosting their 17th annual Black Gold Golf Tournament

Monday, April 25th, 2016

Forest Ridge Golf Club in Broken Arrow

The tournament is limited to 144 players and spots fill up quickly. It is imperative that you submit your registration packet ([download](#)) as soon as possible to ensure your spot in the tournament. Full details below with sponsorship/registration packets ([download sponsorship packet](#)).

Limit 144 Players ~ First Come First Serve ~ No Exceptions

Check-In: 10:30 AM – 12:45 PM *Driving Range Opens at 11:00 AM

LUNCH: 11:30 AM ~ Burger Lunch Provided by **Mid Continent Well Logging**

SHOTGUN START AT 1:00 PM

There will be many special "sponsored" holes and chances to win prizes.

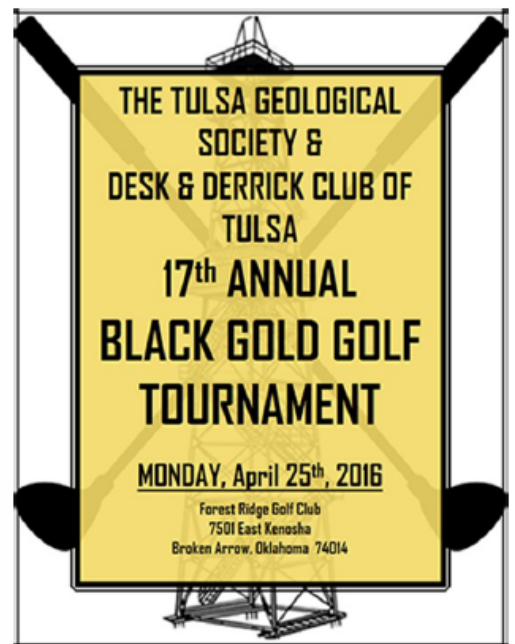
\$120.00/person – Includes: Range Balls, Green Fees, Cart, Beverages, Dinner, & Door Prizes

Purchase Mulligans with Registration or at the door
\$5.00 Each – Max 2/person

Proper Dress Required: Shirts with collars and NO denim.

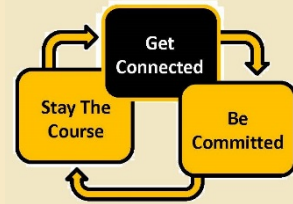
The player registration deadline is **April 8th, 2016**. The dinner will be held at Forest Ridge in the clubhouse restaurant . If anyone is interested in becoming a sponsor please fill out the Sponsorship packet (link above) and email to l.disinger@cox.net or mail to:

Golf Tournament
12700 E 100th St. North #15-205
Owasso, OK 74055





SPOTLIGHT



Tulsa's Longest Standing Active Members

Kay Meyerhoff – member since **1976**

Kay worked for AA Meyerhoff & Associates as the Office Manager and Draftsman, retiring in 1994 when her husband passed. Kay served as President in 1990, chaired the ADDC Educational Trust for 5 yrs, and was voted ADDC's 1996 Energy Person of the Year. She has chaired several committees, was the club photographer for many years and was bestowed Honorary Member with 40 yrs of service in 2015.

"The best thing I have gotten from D&D is the education from Club, Region and Convention speakers and field trips. Also, lifelong friendships."

Dee Jansen – member since **1985**

Dee worked for Strat Land Exploration for 16+ yrs as a Sr. Production/Regulatory Asst., retiring in 2015. Dee served as President in 1998 and has chaired several committees, including her current position as Public Relations Chairman.

"The best thing I have gotten from D&D is NETWORKING. Being surrounded by so many educated, talented, professional members, it is an opportunity to learn and grow. I treasure the friendships I have formed."

Susan Cook – member since **1987**

Susan has worked for Elson Oil Company as the Office Manager for 29 yrs. Susan served as President in 2004 and 2008, served as Region VI Director in 2007 and 2010, served on the Region Board as Treasurer, Secretary and Parliamentarian and on many ADDC committees, including Co-Chair of the 1995 ADDC Convention in Tulsa, and has served as Tulsa's Parliamentarian and chaired several committees, including her current positions as Social Co-Chair and 2017 Region GAC.

"The best thing I have gotten from D&D is great friendships (not good ones - GREAT ones), and leadership qualities. I am probably most proud of my efforts to encourage the more inexperienced members to step outside their boxes. I would never have thought I could win an award for writing - someone encouraged me to do it and therefore, I did."

Marilyn Trout – member since **1990**

Marilyn has worked for Cimarex Energy as a Sr. Accounting Clerk for 37+ yrs. Marilyn served as President in 2000 and 2010, on the Board as Treasurer, Secretary, Director and Parliamentarian, and has chaired several committees.

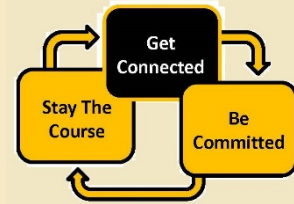
"The best thing I have gotten from D&D is education and friends."

Cheryl Wootton – member since **1990**

Cheryl started her energy career in 1976 retiring for Weinkauf Petroleum in 2005. Cheryl served as President in 1997 and 2002, Region VI Director in 2000, ADDC Treasurer in 2001, D&D Educational Trust Treasurer 2002-2003, D&D Educational Trust Chairman 2004-2007, has chaired numerous committees, including many years as Tulsa's Student Scholarship Chairman, and served as Secretary on Tulsa Mayor LaFortune's Energy Advisory Committee (MEAC) 2002-2004.



Fun Facts



50 Surprising Facts You Never Knew About Oil

(or maybe you do!)

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By [InvestingAnswers Staff](#)

Facts 1-25

1. The word "petroleum" literally translates as "rock oil." It stems from the Greek word "petra," meaning rock, and the Latin word "oleum," meaning oil.
2. Crude oil is considered the "mother of all commodities" because of its use in the manufacturing of numerous products, including gasoline, synthetic fabrics, plastics and pharmaceuticals.
3. Approximately 50% of all the oil consumed in the U.S. is for the transportation industry.
4. The states of Texas, Louisiana and California account for over half of all domestic refining capacity.
5. Texas is the leading state in crude oil production with over 5 billion barrels in reserves.
6. Federal off-shore drilling areas in the Gulf of Mexico and off the coast of California produce about a quarter of all domestic crude-oil production.
7. Crude oil is measured in barrels, which are each equivalent to 42 U.S. gallons.
8. One barrel of oil accounts for about 19.15 gallons of gasoline, 9.21 gallons of diesel, 3.82 gallons of jet fuel, 1.75 gallons of heating oil and about 7.3 gallons for other petrochemical products like tar, asphalt, bitumen, etc.
9. Products like fertilizers, plastics, car tires, ammonia, perfumes and even bubble gum are synthesized using petroleum products obtained during the crude oil refining process.
10. Crude oil ranges in consistency from water to a nearly solid state.
11. New York has the lowest per-capita energy consumption of any state.
12. Cushing, Oklahoma, is the designated delivery point for NYMEX crude oil future contracts.
13. In 2009, the United States imported about 51% of the petroleum it consumed during that year.
14. OPEC countries hold over three-quarters of the world's proven oil reserve, and that number is rising.
15. The U.S. has over 200,000 miles of oil pipelines within its borders.
16. Saudi Arabia's Ghawar oil field contains about 85 billion barrels of oil (the world's largest).
17. Oil is created from the decomposition of organic materials under intense heat and pressure over millions of years.
18. The largest oil spill in history, the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in 2010, spilled 4.2 million barrels of oil into the Gulf of Mexico.
19. According to a major study, about 80% of all oil spills are caused by human error.
20. Oil has been used by people for over 5,000 years, once used as a medicine for treating ailments such as gout and frostbite.
21. Saudi Arabia is the largest oil producer today and has the largest amount of reserves (267 billion barrels).
22. The U.S. is the biggest consumer of oil at over 19.5 million barrels a day.
23. Thanks to large amounts of oil reserves and government subsidies, as of December 2010, the average price of gas in Caracas, Venezuela is 12 cents per U.S. gallon.
24. The U.S. has the 11th largest national oil reserves in the world at 21 billion barrels.
25. The U.S. has 4% of the world's population but uses 25% of the world's oil.

to be continued...



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March 2016

"DO NOT LET WHAT YOU CANNOT DO INTERFERE WITH WHAT YOU CAN DO"

JOHN WOODEN

We are off to a busy start already this year and we are experiencing growth in some of the clubs. Joyce Nolley reported that in the Midland Club they have four (4) new members signed up last month. Good job Midland. Since this month is Desk and Derrick Orientation Month why not challenge your membership to a contest and see who can sign up the most new members during March. Maybe have a special recognition at the April Meeting with a small prize and maybe a certificate of appreciation to honor their accomplishment. This will spark some excitement and good natured competitiveness within the membership and can be a lot of fun.

Remember we have the Potential Members Reimbursement Program available for clubs. If you are unfamiliar with this program please visit the ADDC website for more information on this. The board put this in place for the clubs to utilize it to get more members. Remember when signing up these new members to be sure and get them involved immediately within the club to make them feel valuable and a working part of the club. You might ask them to give the invocation at the next meeting. You can also invite them up to give a brief synopsis of themselves and what they are seeking to gain by being a member. Be sure to let your RD know when you have signed up a new member so they can reach out and send them a welcome email or letter. These little things can go a long way in keeping this new member engaged and active. Ask them for recommendations for a speaker or maybe they could be a speaker at a meeting.

When business is in a downturn they look for creative and innovative ways to stay going strong.....why can't we be the same way. We are all feeling the fall out of the downturn so we need to get busy and get creative and innovative in our thinking and come up with ways to engage our members and potential members also. We must also remember to be positive in our thoughts, our words and our actions.

We need to stress education when we are talking about our association as that is our foundation and our purpose. Talk to people about the networking that can happen even in a downturn as there are still many members that someone can reach out to if they are looking for a job. I have heard of some already who have been laid off and found a new job thru their own club members. What a great way of mentoring and networking.

More exciting news....our ADDC website has a new update...you can now login and create your own password and your own personalized Member ID. This will allow you access and to update your own personal information on the ADDC website. Your information will be exclusively yours and the **ADO WILL NOT** have access to your individual account login information. There is a letter coming out from Andre on how to go about setting this up. Please watch your emails for this letter. There are future updates still to come so be watching for those and keep looking at the website for more exciting news.

Your board is working very hard to bring you new and exciting ways to enhance your Desk and Derrick experience and as a helpful marketing tool for you to use when you are talking to potential new members for your clubs. Thank you for all your hard work and continuing support; you are truly appreciated as you are the foundation for this mighty association.

Connie
2016 ADDC President



Region VI Director's Newsletter



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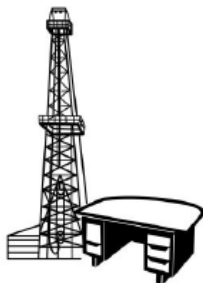
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March 2016

Region VI Members,

I feel like this year is just moving right along and here we are, just a few weeks away from spring. With spring also comes our Region VI Meeting, held April 28 – May 1, 2016. The Desk & Derrick Club of Great Bend is continuing its hard work with the anticipating and preparing for our arrival. The registration packets are available on the ADDC.org website and through your club president. There will be two great field trips to choose from; motivational seminar and this year, Region VI is offering the Certification Program on Thursday, April 28, 2016. We are fortunate to have the ADDC President, Connie Harrison, joining us for the weekend. I hope to see you all there!

The annual ADDC Budget and Planning was held in Tulsa, OK in January. There is a new leadership committee being formed; the association has developed an Energy Activity Book (EAB) Marketing Flyer and the ADDC website is becoming more user-friendly. You can even create your own login/password with the website now! Go check out all the new things going on in the association at www.ADDC.org.

Hopefully by the time you read this letter all of our clubs in Region VI will have turned in their region dues and transmittals to the ADO office and our Region VI Treasurer Kay McKinley. If you have not yet done this, please do so as soon as possible.

It looks like all the clubs are off to a good start on their programs. Remember if you need speaker ideas or program ideas you can contact me or visit the ADDC website. Program directors please be sure to turn in your monthly program reports to Michelle Burgard at michelle.burgard@dvn.com by the end of each month.

Have a great month and I will see you all in Great Bend in April!

*"If you always do what interests you, at least one person is pleased." -
Katharine Hepburn*

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March 2016

Greetings Membership:

First of all let me begin by saying a huge "THANK YOU" for your patience during this time of Membership Renewal as well as the launching of new phases of the website. For those of you who have gone through a computer/web conversion of any type you are aware that even though you plan and plan there seems to always be unforeseen "issues" that arise. So again, thank you for your patience.

With that said we encourage each of you to go to the ADDC website and setup your individual username and password. This has been an upgrade that has been in the works for a long time and is finally available. Also, while you are there PLEASE CHECK YOUR INFORMATION. Because so many of you have already sent in your Renewal Forms, updating personal information takes quite a bit of time. This new system allows you the Member to make all necessary name and address changes. Please help us by making sure this information is always up to date.

A further audit of the database reveals that we are missing several email addresses. You will not be able to create a username and password without an email address. This links you to the ADDC website. Please contact me at ADO initially to help you set up your account.

Many changes and updates are coming and we will do our best to keep you informed of these wonderful changes!!!

Thank you.



IMPORTANT INFO!

Below is a letter from **ADO**, André Martin regarding changes in the ADDC Login. Please take the time to go in and set up your member login. And while you are there, check out all the great information available on the website.



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Dear Membership:

The new ADDC Website login update has launched!!!!

Please log in with the regular credentials ("addcmember" and the old password). Once you've logged in you will see a red box at the top that says:

You have logged in with a legacy account that will be deactivated soon. Please see the instructions for setting up your new account.

Click the gold portion of that statement and it will bring you to the Member Account Instructions page. Follow all the instructions to set up your personalized Member ID and Password. Keep this information in a safe place for your records. ***ADO will not have access to your individual account login information.

We are in hopes that this process will be seamless and will allow you to have very easy access to the member portion of the website.

For ADDC Board:

Please follow the same guidelines as listed above. Your individual account will give you access to both the ADDC Member as well as ADDC Board sides of the website.

Future updates are coming soon!!!

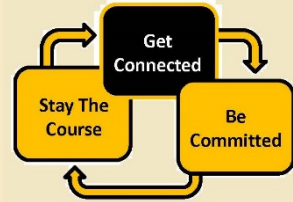
As always, if you need assistance please contact the ADO or webmaster and we'll be more than happy to help answer your questions.











Thank you.

André



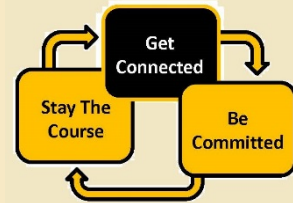
what's happening



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	BOARD MEETING	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8  Melissa Woolridge	9 MEMBERSHIP MEETING  Beth Johnson	10	11  Karen Gibbs	12
13  BIRTHDAY Laura Louser	14	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day	18	19
20  It's the first day of SPRING!	21	22	23	24  VISION  Val Bode	25  DEADLINE for TOD submissions	26
27  happy easter	28	29	30	31		



In Closing...



Editor's Letter

by Kay Williams

The view from our corner can easily become a distorted version of the truth. In order to find the purist version of the truth, one must look at the bigger picture.

During a downturn, we all become affected in our professions, our families and in our personal choices and decisions, but we must focus on the long-term (the big picture) in order to preserve what remains and to survive. This also applies to our commitment to Desk and Derrick and the ADDC.

When we become focused on the fear from losing our job, adjusting our personal budgets, worrying about what the future holds for us, we lose site of the opportunities we still have in front of us. Now, more than ever, we need the support, encouragement, networking, educational opportunities and help to see the "big picture".

In 2010, The ADDC was comprised of 61 clubs. Today, there are only 54. In 2014, Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa boasted the surpassing of 100 members, while today we have 48. All of the clubs have been affected; some with a major loss of members, others with the inevitable disbanding. Our club, as well as the ADDC, still has the same opportunities to offer its members - education, leadership training, certifications, networking, and supportive friendships. Greater Knowledge - Greater Service

Take the time, during our **Desk and Derrick Awareness Month**, to reflect on what you can still get out of your membership, what you can still contribute and encourage others to join, in order to bring new ideas and fresh perspectives.

Together we can survive this downturn, but only by focusing on the big picture and following our President's lead through her theme,

"Stay the Course, Get Connected, Be Committed"

P.S. Check out these interesting and informative websites.

www.tulsadandd.net

www.addc.org

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