

# The Oil Drop

## Tulsa

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You are invited to an evening of

Dinner & Festivities at the

*Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa's*

## 2011 Winter Social

Wednesday, December 14th

5:30 o'clock in the evening  
at the historical

**Kennedy Mansion**

506 West Fairview, Tulsa, OK

Reservation and Payment deadline is  
**Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011.**

Please send your RSVP's, Entrée choice and Payment to:

Kathy Staton  
c/o Samson, 2 W. 2nd St.  
Tulsa, OK 74103.

### Dinner Menu

*Spring Mixed Salad with pecan nuts*

*Served with homemade balsamic vinaigrette and fresh parmesan*  
and

### Your choice of:

*Filet of Chicken with tarragon dijon cream sauce  
served with basmati rice*

or

*Beef Bourguignon  
served with mashed potatoes  
and*

*Mixed vegetables.*

*Dessert assortment, Ice tea, Coffee, Bread and Condiments*

**\$40.00 per person**

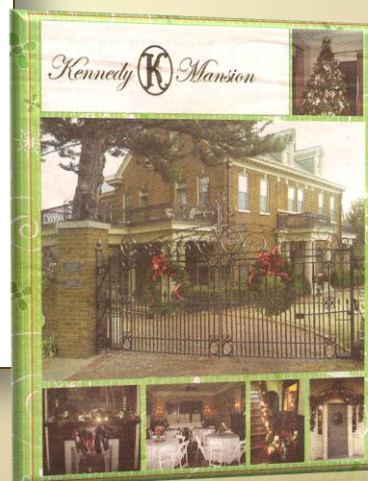
**Please pay in advance**

Wine and Beer Cash Bar  
will be available  
\*Free Parking\*

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WISHING YOU THE SPECIAL GIFTS OF THIS HOLIDAY  
SEASON - PEACE, JOY AND LASTING HAPPINESS



Let the spirit of love gently fill our hearts and homes. In this loveliest of seasons, may you find many reasons for happiness.

**The Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa will support  
The Laura Dester Children's Shelter this holiday season**

### **Wish List**

#### **Immediate need:**

- ❖ Tennis shoes – all ages
- ❖ Infant formula
- ❖ Pajamas – all ages

#### **General Needs/Gifts**

- ❖ School Uniforms
- ❖ House slippers all sizes
- ❖ Towels and washcloths

#### **Miscellaneous Items in Continuous Need:**

- ❖ Good Start Formula
- ❖ Diapers (all sizes)
- ❖ Pull-ups
- ❖ Baby wipes
- ❖ Baby shampoo
- ❖ Plastic 4 oz. baby bottles
- ❖ Tippy cups

#### **0-6 years old:**

- ❖ Baby swings and baby jumpers
- ❖ Toddler beds
- ❖ Toddler Crib Sheets
- ❖ 2 oz. baby bottles for newborns
- ❖ Digital thermometers
- ❖ Soft mats for babies to crawl on (easily cleanable)

- ❖ Pajama Pants (men's & women's)
- ❖ T-shirts (all colors & sizes)
- ❖ Bras and sports bras
- ❖ Boxer shorts for teen boys (S-XL)
- ❖ Body wash/body lotion/deodorant
- ❖ Shampoo

Bring your unwrapped gifts to the Social on December 14<sup>th</sup> or contact Linda Collie at [linda.collie1@williams.com](mailto:linda.collie1@williams.com) to make other arrangements.

If you don't have time to shop and wish to contribute, checks made out to The Laura Dester Children's Shelter will be accepted.



## *Tulsa President's Letter*

*Susan Jones, President*  
Desk & Derrick Club of Tulsa  
(918) 258-0057 (H)

### 2011 Officers

#### President

Susan Jones  
Enterprise Products

#### Vice President

Thelma Dunn  
Williams Exploration &  
Production

#### Secretary

Pam Cabbiness  
Williams Exploration &  
Production

#### Treasurer

Gaye Marrs  
Cimarex Energy Company

#### Directors

Kathy Farris  
Cimarex Energy Company

Linda Collie  
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Production

Fran Elliott  
Sheridan Production Company

Christy Hinton  
Sheridan Production Company

#### Immediate Past President

Marilyn Trout  
Cimarex Energy Company

#### Parliamentarians

Barbara Herndon  
Retired

Kris Russell  
Williams Exploration &  
Production

December, 2011

Dear Members:

The month of December is here and with it brings so many things. The most obvious being the celebration of Christmas and the holiday season in general. It's a time set aside to celebrate life, family, and giving. Indeed, this marks the month that the greatest Gift was given to the world.

For our Club, December also means our Winter Social. This year we will celebrate at the Kennedy Mansion – an event you won't want to miss. There we will recognize this year's Essay Contest winner, which symbolizes the crux of what the Tulsa Club is all about. The essay contest represents our past, our present, and our hope for the future.

In addition, it is during our Winter Social that we celebrate our Induction of next year's officers and board directors. It's a time for us to come together to celebrate our year of successes, to thank our 2011 officers, directors, and committee chairs who have given their time in service to our club. And, it's when we welcome our new officers and directors who will lead us in 2012.

December is our last month of the year, my last month to serve as your president, and my last time to write my President's Letter. I've had a terrific year and I owe it to my fellow officers, our board directors, my committee chairs, my parliamentarians, and my "advisors". I thank each one of you for your support. And, last but certainly not least, I thank each of you members – for without you we are not a club!

I've enjoyed getting to know everyone better. I'm walking away from this experience knowing more about leadership, knowing more about this wonderful industry we work in, and knowing more about this great organization. And now, thanks to Desk and Derrick, I finally have the opportunity to work in this great industry of ours. It's a fitting farewell to my year, as I embark on the next chapter of my life – one filled with uncertainty but also hope. I remain optimistic for my future and the future of Desk and Derrick.

I wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and a joyful holiday season.

Best wishes,

*~Susan Jones*





## President's Newsletter



Angie Duplessis  
ADDC President  
[angie.a.duplessis@conocoPhillips.com](mailto:angie.a.duplessis@conocoPhillips.com)

December 2011

Dear Members,

It is hard to believe that this year is coming to a close. The next board meeting will be the 2012 Budget and Planning Meeting. I want to encourage you to send any questions, concerns, or suggestions to your 2012 Region Director so they can be brought before your Board for discussion. The deadline for submitting changes for any proposed amendments to the Association Bylaws and Standing Rules is due to the Rules Committee Chairman by February 10, 2012.

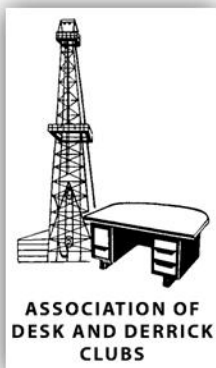
The last issue of the *Desk and Derrick Journal* is currently at the printers, and should be mailed out shortly. I hope you have enjoyed reading about our Association's beginnings and look forward to future issues.

At the Pre-Convention Meeting, a suggestion was made regarding Desk and Derrick Business Cards, the board approved the request and a Business Card Templet for Members (ADDC 10) is now available on the web site for you to download and input your personal information. The minutes from the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention will be posted soon. I also want to remind all Club Presidents to complete form ADO-031 as soon as your club officers have been elected so this information can be updated in a timely manner.

Since this is my last letter, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who made this year a success: my fellow board members, ADDC Committee Chairmen and Region Reps, Club Presidents, and You, the member for your support and willingness to serve this great organization.

I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year and thank you once again for coming along with me through the *Gateway of Growth and Opportunity*.

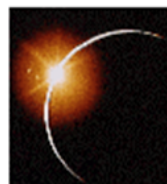
*Angie*





## Region VI Director's Newsletter

Living Our Visions  
&  
Achieving Our Goals



Sharon Hiss  
Region VI Director



Shiss@greatbend.com

December 2011

Letter No. 12

Dear Region VI Friends,

It is a bitter, sweet moment sitting here writing my last letter. The year has sped by fast and it is time to welcome Mark Loch, our 2012 Region VI Director and provide support and encouragement to him.

The bitter part is, well there was no real bitter part, just hard seeing the year come to a close. The sweet part is knowing I Lived my Visions and Achieved my Goals and now it is time to move forward and reflect back on all my accomplishments.

I would like to thank everyone in Region VI and all Desk and Derrick members for your support, encouragement, guidance, help and many kind words in making my year so successful and a year full of so many wonderful memories. As I have said in the past, it is you the members that make this organization so successful. "Thank you all so much."

Yes, the position as Director is very time consuming but all the wonderful moments and memories by far outweigh the busy uncertain moments. It was a year that was worth all the preparation because I have learned a great deal about Desk and Derrick and serving on a board, working with others to reach decisions that were in the best interest of the members.

There is always a special feeling in December. We gather for work Christmas parties, organization Christmas parties and purchasing a special item for that friend what we cherish so much. We surround ourselves with family and remember the true meaning of Christmas. Christmas would still be a special time even if we had no gifts, because our greatest gift is sharing our love.

It has been a great year for me because of all the love my D & D friends surrounded me with. It truly has been a privilege to serve as your 2011 Region VI Director. Once again, "Thank You Region VI and ADDC Board for this great opportunity."

Have a Merry Christmas.

"Your future depends on many things, but mostly on you."

Sharon





Greetings Fellow D & D Members,

The year is almost up and time to get in the Holiday spirit! We had a great October meeting with the elections and following that, we played several rounds of D & D Squares! We had a panel of celebrities to answer the D & D questions and asked our newest members to tell if the celebrity answered the question correctly. We played and laughed our way through three rounds! Pam Cabiness did a wonderful job as our emcee. Thank you Thelma Dunn for organizing the game! Great job Thelma! We have some very knowledgeable members in the club because our panel of celebrities got most of the questions right! Way to go!

Colleen Dosser





## The History of Oil Well Firefighting and Blowout Control "A Tribute To Brave Men" Presented by Mike Shellman



*"Holding Out For A Hero"  
I need a Hero  
I'm holding out for a hero 'til the end of the night  
He's gotta be strong  
And he's gotta be fast  
And he's gotta be fresh from the fight  
Lyrics by Bonnie Tyler*

On November 9, 2011, The Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa hosted their Industry Awareness Luncheon at the Tulsa Country Club with historian Mike Shellman of San Marcos, Texas. Mr. Shellman had previously presented his program to the Desk and Derrick Club of Tulsa in 2006. It was such a success that we decided to ask him to come back!! It was a pleasure that he did agree to come back and do his presentation for us again.

With the passing away of "Coots" Mathews in 2010, Mike went back on the road sharing with the industry his experiences and respect and admiration for these special people: "Red" Adair, "Boots" Hansen, and "Coots" Mathews. Mike worked for Boots and Coots from 1993 to 1997 and became friends with all of them, and now he wants to share the stories and heroics of these famous Oil Well Fire Fighters.

Mike's presentation had many videos and slides showing blowouts with audio so that the audience could have some idea of how loud the blowouts were. On some of the videos, music was added to heighten the experience of what it was like when a fire was in progress and the role the fire fighters played in putting the well fires out after a blowout. A blowout is the uncontrolled release of crude oil and/or natural gas from an oil well or gas well after pressure control systems have failed. Causes of blowouts are reservoir pressure, formation kick and well control; types of blowouts are surface blowouts, subsea blowouts, and underground blowouts. Prior to the invention of pressure control equipment in 1920, the uncontrolled release of oil and gas from a well while drilling was common and was known as an oil gusher, gusher, or wild well.

Myron M. Kinley was the first pioneer in fighting oil well fires. Myron was born in Santa Barbara, California, in 1898. He passed away May 12, 1978, at his home in Chickasha, Oklahoma. He became familiar with the oilfield since his father Karl T. Kinley was an oil well shooter in California. His father dynamited wells to fracture the rock and to increase flow on a well in 1913. The high risk of danger on the blowouts proved deadly for Myron's brother Lloyd in 1938. Myron had permanent damage to his right leg in 1936. Paul Neal "Red" Adair came into the oil well fighter's picture after serving in WWII in the bomb disposal unit with Myron Kinley. "Red" was born in 1915 and passed away in 2004. He started the famous Red Adair Co., Inc., in 1959. He battled more than 2000 land and offshore oil well fires during his career. Lieutenants, Asger "Boots" Hansen and Ed "Coots" Mathews worked for "Red" until they started their own well fire control company called Boots and Coots. The 1968 John Wayne movie "Hellfighters" was based upon the experiences of Adair during the 1962 Sahara Desert Fire. The movie and Mike's presentation will definitely give you a better understanding of how dangerous it is to fight oil fires. "Red", "Boots" and "Coots" were on location for the filming of "Hellfighters" as technical advisors.

The time Mr. Shellman spent and stories he heard, especially from Coots, is a bond he will always have. Mike continues to present his program so that the history and the risks taken by the brave men of oil well fire fighting are not forgotten. Of the four (4) men who started this business, only "Boots" Hansen survives to this day.

By Kris Russell







# Industry Awareness Luncheon



**The History of Oil Well Firefighting and Blowout Control  
“A Tribute to Brave Men”**

OIL



FIRE

**Thelma Dunn, Mike Shellman, Guest Speaker & Kris Russell**



**Mike recognizes his #1 Groupie, Kris for attending five of his presentations.**



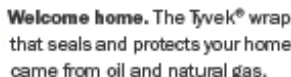
things get their start from  
oil and natural gas.



**Soar above the clouds.** Carbon fiber composite makes an aircraft's structure lighter and more fuel efficient. The new Boeing® 787 Dreamliner™ is a perfect example. About 50 percent of its primary structure, including the fuselage and wing, is made of modern composite materials, which saw their beginnings in oil or natural gas.

**Feel good about it.** Oil and natural gas contribute to our health and well-being.

through a myriad of medicines, medical supplies and health and safety products. Aspirin is synthesized

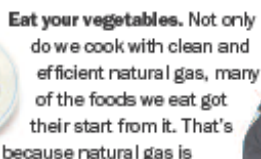


So did the durable PVC



**It's play time.** When it's time for fun and games, it's time to break

out the recreational gear that had its beginnings in oil and natural gas. Golf balls, footballs, tennis balls, fishing rods and basketballs, just to name a few, are all linked in some way to oil and natural gas.



used to make ammonia, a major component of the fertilizers farmers use to grow their crops.



**To serve and protect.** Kevlar® the miracle lightweight fiber that's five times stronger than steel, helps keep our armed forces safe and our police forces protected. And it had its beginnings in oil and natural gas.

**If it weren't for oil and natural gas you could kiss lipstick goodbye.** The true beauty of oil and natural gas is in their many uses. Take cosmetics, for instance. Lipstick, lotions, nail polish, eye and facial makeup, hair sprays and gels are all derived from oil or natural gas in one way or another.

**Be amazed.** Visit our websites and learn more about oil and natural gas and how they touch your life in amazing ways.

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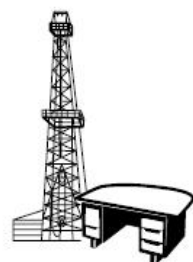
Just some of the amazing things you can get their start from oil and natural gas: Aircraft **Anti-Istamines** Antiseptics **Airlin** Balloons Bandages Blenders Cameras Candles Carpet **Cut** Cellphones Clothing Computers Containers Crayons Dentures **Deodorant** Diapers Digital Clocks Dimmerware DVDs Dye Eyeglasses Fertilizers Food Preservatives Food Storage Bags Footballs Foot Weather Gear Furniture **Garbage Bags** Glue Golf Balls Hair Dryers Hang Gliders **Heart Valve Replacements** House Paint Infant Seats Ink Insecticide Juice Jackets Lifeski Lifts Luggage Medical Equipment Nylon Rope **Pacemakers** Pantyhose Patio Screens **Perfume** Photographic Film Photographs PianoKeys RollerBlades Roofing Safety Glass Shampoo Shaving Cream Shower Curtains Slippers **Soft Contact Lenses** Strollers **Sunglasses** Surfboards Surgical Equipment **Syringes** Telephones Tents Toothpaste Toys Umbrellas **Vitamin Capsules**, and a whole lot more!

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The stuff of  
**life.**



# Spread the Word!



**ASSOCIATION OF  
DESK AND DERRICK  
CLUBS**

Industry leader in promoting professional development and employee education in the petroleum, energy, and allied industries since 1951

## Benefits of Belonging to ADDC

- Professional development through informative programs, on-site field trips, seminars, and workshops
- Personal and business horizons expanded by networking with industry leaders and colleagues throughout the United States and Canada
- Opportunity to enhance communication and leadership skills
- Educate our members in the technology of our ever-changing industry

## Mission Statement

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

## Motto

Greater Knowledge – Greater Service

## ADDC Foundation

ADDC established the ADDC Foundation in 1987 to assist the Association, its members, and others in the petroleum, energy, and allied industries in developing educational projects and programs related to those industries.



## Desk and Derrick Educational Trust

ADDC established the Desk and Derrick Educational Trust for the purpose of awarding scholarship grants to students pursuing a degree in a major field of study related to the petroleum, energy or allied industries with the objective of obtaining full time employment in the industry.



## 2011 ADDC Membership Summary As of October 31, 2011

Region/Club	Members		
	2009	2010	2011
<b>Region I</b>			
Buckeye	18	18	19
Ohio Valley	10	7	11
Three Rivers	0	57	53
Penn-York Oil & Gas Affiliates	39	44	44
Tuscarawas Valley	51	43	37
West Penn Energy	52	46	37
West Virginia	176	111	94
<b>6 Clubs Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>326</b>

<b>Region II</b>			
Bay Area	27	31	31
Heartland South Illinois	34	37	45
Little Egypt	18	17	16
Olney	20	20	20
<b>4 Clubs Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>105</b>

<b>Region III</b>			
Baton Rouge	33	35	35
El Dorado, AR	24	27	27
Houma	12	13	12
Lafayette	61	65	58
Laurel	26	17	19
Morgan City	12	10	9
New Orleans	48	40	39
Red River	77	70	59
Westbank	39	35	34
<b>9 Clubs Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>312</b>

<b>Region IV</b>			
Beaumont	12	Disbanded	
Corpus Christi	18	12	21
Dallas	63	65	73
Fort Worth	123	100	101
Graham	55	57	52
Houston	47	64	42
North Harris/Montgomery Co.	68	74	85
San Antonio	87	75	46
Tyler	21	21	29
Victoria	14	18	18
Wise County	34	11	11
<b>11 Clubs Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>478</b>

Total Members, this Report	2586	2406	2434
Total Clubs	61	60	60

Total Clubs 12/31/11	60
Total Members 12/31/11	2434

Region/Club	Members		
	2009	2010	2011
<b>Region V</b>			
Abilene	17	16	16
Amarillo	26	26	20
Artesia	48	43	48
Bakersfield	18	20	17
Farmington	61	59	59
Hobbs	6	6	6
Long Beach	29	34	30
Midland	35	32	35
Pampa	17	16	16
Roswell	37	39	37
San Angelo	17	17	13
Wichita Falls	41	43	40
<b>12 Clubs Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>352</b>	<b>351</b>

<b>Region VI</b>			
Ardmore	29	36	37
Bartlesville	19	19	19
Barton County	15	13	11
Butler County	18	19	17
Enid	51	43	35
Great Bend	15	18	16
Liberal	6	5	9
Oklahoma City	154	114	99
Red Earth	87	148	225
Tulsa	83	82	90
Wichita	29	28	26
<b>11 Clubs Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>584</b>

<b>Region VII</b>			
Alberta Foothills	59	44	66
Calgary DISBAND 10/11	41	29	23
Denver	183	151	150
Edmonton	45	46	42
Grand Mesa DISBAND 7/16/11	9	9	5
Grande Prairie	24	22	17
Southeast Saskatchewan	43	34	33
<b>7 Clubs Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>336</b>

**NOTE: Although the Grand Mesa and Calgary disbanded in 2011, dues are paid through 12/31/11.**





Retiring Directors  
Thank you for your service

**Kathy Farris  
Fran Elliott**



**Thank you to all my Committee Chairs!**

**Standing Committees**

Bulletin  
Bylaws  
Contact  
Convention  
Education  
Membership

**Linda Collie  
Marilyn Trout  
Laura Disinger  
Susan Jones  
Susan Cook  
Colleen Dosser**

Orientation  
Program  
Public Relations  
Roster  
Scrapbook  
Social

**Thelma Dunn  
Kay Williams  
Christy Hinton  
Val Bode  
Rosalea Robinson  
Kathy Staton**

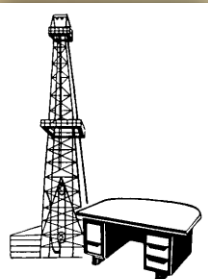
**Special Committees**

Abbreviator  
ADDC Nominating  
Vision 2011  
Essay Contest  
Fundraising

**Diana Cox  
Susan Cook  
Thelma Dunn  
Cheryl Wootton  
Lanette Jenike &  
Fran Elliott**

Golf Tournament  
  
Historian  
Industry Awareness  
Nominating  
Web Page

**Kathy Farris &  
Marilyn Trout, Co-Chair  
Eleanor Wilkerson  
Thelma Dunn  
Gaye Marrs  
Val Bode**



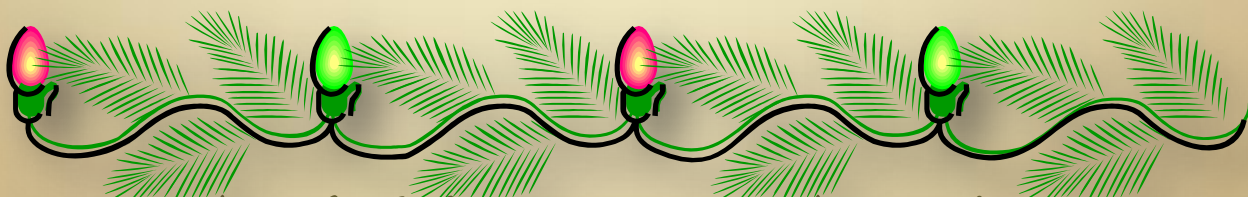
**The purpose of the Club shall be to promote the education and professional development of individuals employed in or affiliated with the petroleum, energy and allied industries and to educate the general public about these industries.**



12/01 Pam Kragel  
12/03 Margitta Grona  
12/11 Margery Kovach  
12/17 Mary Williams



12/18 Natalie Adams  
12/24 Connie Hubbard  
12/25 Yvonne Cleveland



**GREATER KNOWLEDGE - GREATER SERVICE**

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