

# The Gusher

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## *Red River Desk and Derrick Club*

**Membership  
Meeting  
March 22, 2022**

**Petroleum Club—16th Floor  
Cost...\$20.00**

*Celebrating*  
**40 YEARS OF  
RED RIVER DESK AND DERRICK**



## RED RIVER PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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March 2022  
Presidents Letter

Dear Red River Members,

Spring is just around the corner, and I am so ready for it!! March is Desk and Derrick Awareness month and Red River's 40th Anniversary! Let's celebrate and go back in time.

Let's keep up the hard work, I know it is very disappointing that we don't have a lot of new members, but times have changed. Oil and Gas has not rebounded like we would like it to. So that makes it hard to get new members if they don't have company support. The members we have are what keeps our club going and I am very proud of each of you that work hard to make that happen. I am so glad to be a part of this great Organization. Please come help us celebrate 40 years and help promote Desk and Derrick.

It is not too late to send in your registration for the Southeast Region meeting that will be held April 21-24 in Lafayette LA. I am looking forward to the field trips, seminars and of course the meetings.

I am very disappointed that the Red River Sporting Clays Tournament was cancelled. The next few months will be busy for Red River Club. Your help and support are what keeps us going! Please think outside the box and see if we can come up with another type of fundraiser to replace the Clay Shoot for this year.

Thanks to all!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!!

Sincerely,  
Malissa Carroll

# *Celebrating* 40 YEARS

RED RIVER  
DESK AND DERRICK CLUB

MARCH 10, 1982 - MARCH 10, 2022



FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
SPEAKER – SUSIE BAIRD

Our February speaker was none other than our own Susie Baird who is employed by Argent Mineral Management. She shared with us what she does during a normal working day. Susie works with royalty interests on a day-to-day basis and offered us examples of a royalty interest statement for several different properties.

Afterwards our members had a number of questions that lead to more discussion.

Argent Mineral Management is a subsidiary of Argent Financial and was formed in 2005 to assist with the accounting and auditing of royalty payments as well as maximizing landowners' oil and gas assets.

For further information please refer to their website [www.argenfinancial.com](http://www.argenfinancial.com)

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## MY FIRST DAY IN THE OIL PATCH

Service Pipeline Company, a subsidiary of Stanolind Oil, has long ago been merged into Amoco. I was hired as a clerk in the Division office in Beaumont, Texas. That division began at the Beaumont-Port Arthur Texas area and covered facilities across Louisiana to the end point at Grand Isle, Louisiana. The district office had three employees, the District Superintendent, the Division Clerk and me, clerk. There were about 100 field employees working across the district. My first day on the job was a shocker! I had never heard oilfield terms and when I started taking notes from the field gaugers some of the terminology blew my mind. In addition to the strange words, in one report the gauger said they had lost Kelly in the hole. I immediately blurted out "Oh, that poor man, how on earth are you going to get him out?" The gauger merely said "Well we have called for a fishing expert." "Fishing? Fishing? You are going to try fishing gear to get him out of that hole?" He started laughing loudly and slowly explained to me that Kelly is a tool used in drilling operations and the fishing gear was another tool that would take hold of the Kelly and pull it back up out of the hole. Phew! Now I was not concerned "for the poor man in the hole." But I was concerned for a "poor animal" when a report stated that they were running a pig in the line. "What? Are you running a poor little pig through that pipeline? How cruel!" "No mam, the pig is a motorized scraper tool that cleans out paraffin from the line." Oh, OK.

About two months into my employment I was becoming more familiar with the terminology and my boss, the District Clerk, told me that he wanted to take me out into the field to familiarize me with the facilities. He said I should wear jeans and flat shoes to go out into the field. Well, the "jeans" that I had consisted of a pair of velvet pants styled as jeans, and the flat shoes were a pair of suede ballet slippers. So -- I meet him on Saturday morning at the office and we start out in his truck to the field. Now, THIS was my first day in the real "oil patch".

Our first stop was at the storage tank farm. The gauger met us there and he told me to follow him and be very careful climbing the stairs up to the top of the tank. This was a 40,000 barrel oil storage tank with a floating top. When we reached the top there was a small platform to stand on and from there the gauger had to jump as far out onto the top to reach the middle where there was a hole and a long line of rope with a weight on the end. (Thank goodness, that type tank is no longer in use in the industry.) He slowly lowered the weight down the hole and then brought it back up. The length of the rope covered in oil was the measurement of the footage of oil, from which he then calculated the size of the tank, and thus the number of barrels of oil in the tank. And, that was the amount of oil in storage that he called in to me daily – for each tank in the field.

We next drove over to the barge facility. There they loaded oil from the pipeline to the barge for transport to the refinery facilities. The guys on the barge were so nice and even cooked a nice lunch for us. The cook gave me some pieces of fat tied to a string so that I could go "crabbing" from the barge. I caught a number of crabs which I immediately gave to the cook. The number of barrels loaded into the barge(s) was called in to me daily.

The next stop was at the rail tank car facility, where they were loading oil from the pipeline into the tank cars. A lot of oil was covering the ground around the loading area. That gauger called in the total number of barrels of oil loaded into the tank cars.

Our last stop was at the docks of the ocean going vessels, where oil was loaded into the ships for distribution to refineries, or to foreign countries. The number of barrels called in to me from there was *TREMENDOUS*.

On Monday my boss told me to write a report on what I saw and learned from the trip to the oil patch. Also, to write a report on anything that I might view as a safety hazard. I was appointed to the district safety board and from my safety report changes were made to some of the facilities.

Now, I have told you about my first day in the "oil patch". Since then, with other companies, and Desk and Derrick Clubs, I have been to many, many sites in the oil patch. I have loved every minute, every year of my association with the petroleum industry, actually over 50 years, and Desk and Derrick since 1969. Thank you dear "Oil Patch".

LaVerne Broussard, RPL  
PetroTemp Land Services



## Volunteering and its Surprising Benefits

Volunteering can help you make friends, learn new skills, advance your career, and even feel happier and healthier. Learn how to find the right volunteer opportunity for you

Why volunteer?

With busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer. However, the benefits of volunteering can be enormous. Volunteering offers vital help to people in need, worthwhile causes, and the community, but the benefits can be even greater for you, the volunteer. The right match can help you to find friends, connect with the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career.

Giving to others can also help protect your mental and physical health. It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose. While it's true that the more you volunteer, the more benefits you'll experience, volunteering doesn't have to involve a long-term commitment or take a huge amount of time out of your busy day. Giving in even simple ways can help those in need and improve your health and happiness.

### BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING: 4 WAYS TO FEEL HEALTHIER AND HAPPIER

1. Volunteering connects you to others.
2. Volunteering is good for your mind and body.
3. Volunteering can advance your career.
4. Volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to your life.

Please refer to <https://www.helpguide.org/articles/healthy-living/volunteering-and-its-surprising-benefits.htm> for the full article.

# MARCH 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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### **OUR MISSION**

“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

### **OUR PURPOSE**

The Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs (ADDC) is a non-profit, international organization. Its purpose is to promote the educational 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





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and what you do*

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*Philana Thompson*

*2022 ADDC President*

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Pittsburgh, PA  
September 21– September 25, 2022



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March, 2022

As we move full steam ahead into March we are getting closer to the regional meetings! I have booked my flights and plan to attend 3 of the 4 regional meetings in person. Northeast plans to host a virtual region meeting for 2022, which I plan to attend virtually. I look forward to visiting with members in each of these regions and will be happy to answer any questions or concerns our members have.

As promised the highlights of Budget & Planning that was held January 15th, 2022 in Albuquerque, NM is posted to the website and Region Directors should be sending that out along with the approved 2022 Budget, amended Bylaws that reflect the change in dues for student members and finally the 2022 Strategic Plan! These can be found at [addc.org](http://addc.org) under the News & Publications tab.

Evelyn Green, Membership Chair, will be creating guidance to assist clubs in bringing in Student members to our clubs. If you are needing further information or guidance don't hesitate to reach out to Evelyn or myself directly.

Please look closely at the proposed budget, if you have any questions, comments or concerns please don't hesitate to contact myself or any board member. With the continued decline in membership, it becomes more important to work together to make sure that we are not only continuing our due diligence but that we are also good financial stewards of the association, we are continually working on ways to lower costs for the association so that it can remain in good standing and remain financially sound.

The strategic plan was built on ideas to help this association grow and remain strong! We will be working towards these goals that the association, regions, and clubs can utilize.

Prayers and Blessings!

*Philana*



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March, 2022

To the wonderful members of the Southeast Region,

Top of the Morning to Ya! As of this writing, March is coming at us like a freight train meaning the first quarter of 2022 is nearing an end! Wow, it truly is amazing how much time flies when you are having FUN!

Speaking of fun, the 2022 Budget & Planning Meeting at the Sandia Resort & Casino in Albuquerque, NM has come and gone, but the memories will last a lifetime! For those of you who have had the privilege of attending a B&P meeting, you understand! The weekend is a whirlwind of activity, arriving on Friday, meeting beginning Saturday morning by 8:00AM and working well into the evening (took work with us to dinner and didn't finish everything until 9:00PM). Your Board worked hard on all things Desk and Derrick and have a lot to share with you at Convention in Pittsburgh, PA!

The experience alone was incredible, but man oh man, the venue was SUPERB! So excited to share with you that the 2023 Convention will be held at the same venue and boy, are ya'll in for a TREAT! So make your plans now to attend the 2023 Convention at the Sandia Resort & Casino, you won't be disappointed!

Plans for the 2022 Southeast Region Meeting are well underway and approaching the final stage for a "Festival" you won't want to miss! Everything from Food Tours (anyone who has been in our area knows the food is usually a main attraction...LOL) to our own "Festival" on Friday Night, is being planned to ensure a great time is had by all! The registration package should be out by the end of February, so make sure your suitcase is packed and your dancing shoes are ready to come pass a good time April 21-24, 2022 at the Doubletree Hotel in Lafayette, LA.

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." — *Albert Einstein*

*Kathy Martin*



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Bonnie Fish	2014	Mary Frizzell	1992
Jan Soderstrom	2013	Phyllis B. Powell	1991
Dorothy Semon	2012	Sandra Causey	1990
Mary Godwin	2011 / 2010	Dorothy Semon	1989
Dee Hilliard	2009	Jane Johnson	1988
Virginia Calhoun	2008	Claudine Rosett	1987
Phyllis B. Powell	2007	Betty Ross**	1986
Sabrina Guillory	2006 / 2005	Kathy Trower	1985
Bobbie Trust	2004	Eleanor W. Brown	1984
Linda G. Presson	2003 / 2002	LaVerne Broussard	1983
Phyllis B. Powell	2001	Juanita Griffith**	1982
Carol Lloyd	2000		
Jean Chappel Cooper	1999 / 1998		



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### STANDING COMMITTEES

Bulletin	Sheryl Cole
By-Laws	<b>Volunteer/s Needed</b>
Education/Seminars	Sabrina Guillory
Field Trips	Sabrina Guillory
Handbook	Sheryl Cole
Hospitality	Laura Duskey
Membership/Orientation	Missy Carroll
Procedures Manual	Margie Steed/Dorothy Semon
Programs	Susie Baird
Public Relations/Publicity	
Reservations	Sabrina Guillory

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Activity Books	Kathryn Carroll
Advisers	Laura Hatcher
Clay Shooting Tournament	Susie Baird
Community Projects	All Club members
Convention/Regional	<b>Volunteer/s Needed</b>
Decorations	Bonnie Fish
Essay Contest	Lauretta Randle
Golf Tournament (RRI)	Dorothy Semon
Nominating	<b>Volunteer/s Needed</b>
Scholarship	<b>Volunteer/s Needed</b>
Ways & Means	Bobbie Trust

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