

Region I Director's Newsletter



August, 2017

The eighth month of the year is here! You know you're having fun when the months fly by – Right? It has been a fantastic year so far! Thank you Region I members for giving me the opportunity to serve you in 2017 – it is an awesome experience!! However, the year isn't over yet and there is still a lot to do.

Almost every weekend in August is filled with volunteer opportunities for our members as well as getting those last vacations in for the summer. There is also a lot of planning going on for our 66th Annual International Convention being held in San Antonio, TX in September. Evelyn and team are working hard to make it an educational and memorable time for all. I would love it if all of our Region I members were able to attend of course, I understand that not everyone is able to attend this year. However, everyone is able to let their voices be heard – yes through your delegates every one of your voices can be heard so don't be silent. The following proposed by-law amendments are on the table this year:

- Name change from Association of Desk and Derrick Clubs to ADDC
- Annual dues increase from \$45 to \$65
- Logo change to the ADDC oval
- Elimination of the DDJ

There has been no increase in dues since 2010 and we have been operating at a deficit for the last few years. The annual dues are still pretty low when compared to similar organizations. An increase will help to reduce the deficit but it will not eliminate it. Therefore, the ADDC board is working on other ways to lower costs and alleviate the deficit as well. Several suggestions have been made to assist with the dues increase following are a few of them:

- ADDC membership dues for your birthday or Christmas gift
- Clubs pay part of the dues
- Members could split the dues into two separate payments – 1 in January and the other in June

As you know to continue to educate our members and communities about the industry takes a commitment from our members as well as funding. This is a great organization with a message that needs to be heard.

Let your voice be heard and send your delegate to convention either instructed or informed regarding the above amendments.

Keep the energy flowing until we meet again, let your voice and message be heard!!

2017 Dates to Remember

September 18 – 23: 66th Annual International Convention in San Antonio, TX – the River Walk looks wonderful!!

Sincerely, Bev

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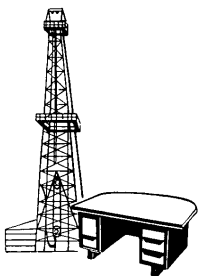
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