

Desk and Derrick Club of Oklahoma City

DERRICK LIGHTS

The Do's and Don'ts to Prepare for Retirement

By Jamie Gilmore

Our guest speaker for the month of June was, Nate Geist, Financial Advisor, with Edward Jones. Nate has over 10 years' experience working as a CPA in the Oklahoma City metro. He joined Edward Jones in 2015 and Nate opened his May Ave office in June 2016. His dad's office was in Seminole, and Nate absorbed some of his dad's clients when his father retired.

Nate provided some very sound advice on how to prepare financially for retirement. He gave us a list of 3 Do's and 3 Don'ts.

- Do spend less than you make and do it for a long time
- Do check accounts like a baseball score
- Do keep some cash for emergency – 1 year if possible

- Don't make a bad social security decision
- Don't stop investing
- Don't underestimate inflation

Some other important things Nate shared were:

Goals

It's important to make sure goals and strategies align with your vision if it changes over time.

Life changes

A life change could be anything, including a move, change in employment status, marriage, inheritance, divorce, or loss of a spouse.

Investments

You may need to rebalance your investments periodically to make sure your investment mix stays suited to your goals and risk tolerance.

Insurance

Making sure you have the appropriate amount and type of insurance is critical. You should also revisit your beneficiary designations and other legal documents regularly to make sure everything aligns and will work the way you intend.

Whether retirement is a few years away or just around the corner, having a strategy in place will better prepare you to reach your goals.

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CLUB MOTTO
 "GREATER KNOWLEDGE - GREATER SERVICE"

CLUB PURPOSE
 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.

ADDC 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.



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***From the Editor,
 Ann Mefford***

Green Grass

We have been blessed with lots of rain this month and my grass and flowers are loving it. It made for a much safer 4th of July to shoot off lots of fireworks. I enjoyed time with family and friends cooking out and laughing.

The summer heat is here and that is all part of the season. The days seem to be flying by and we are already into the last half of this year.

If you are going to convention get your plans made and your paperwork in. Its going to be here faster than you think. It looks like there are going to be some fun field trips this year. So if you go please take lots of pictures to share with us so we can be inspired to go next year!

Get out and make some great memories with family and friends even if its just a day trip and enjoy life!

Ann

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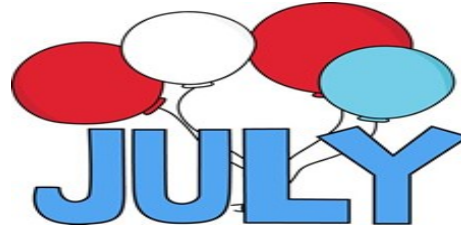
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Hope everyone is having a great summer so far and enjoyed the 4th of July. Our office was closed for 4 days so I am trying hard to get back in the swing of things!

Also last month, several of us worked the Mid-Continent Oilman's golf tournament selling chances for the putting contest. It was a success! We made over \$400 for our club! These funds will go to our Industry Activities committee and will help with future events!

I am getting really excited about our upcoming INTERNATIONAL convention in New Orleans! There is still time to register! There are some fabulous field trips and seminars scheduled. Also, if you have never been to convention the business meetings are something to see and very educational. Take a step out of your comfort zone and come have fun and learn a lot about your club and industry! Let me know if you need more details!

Be on the lookout for a speaker from the Department of Public Safety to speak out getting a REAL ID! I know many of us have questions about this so we will get the inside scoop! Thank you, Tim, for coordinating this!

Please try to make the July meeting. We will be voting and going over some important things for our region and for convention.

"Move out of your comfort zone. You can only grow if you are willing to feel awkward and uncomfortable when you try something new" ~ Brian Tracy

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July 2021

Happy 4th of July! It is wonderful that we live in this great nation – the U.S.A! Cities are getting back to “normal” after the year long delay. Summer is definitely here.

This year is certainly going by very fast – here it is July already. Not sure where the time has gone. It seems like just yesterday I was writing my January 2021 letter and here it is – July. All I can say is WOW!

The Registration Packet for the 2021 ADDC Convention and Education Conference, to be held at the Astor Crowne Plaza French Quarter in New Orleans, Louisiana September 21-25, 2021 has been sent out to the Regional Directors to be distributed to the Membership.

The Registration Fee is \$250 for each Member. You can also find the Registration Packet on the website under “Convention” and also under “ADDC News”. You can make your hotel reservations by following this link: <https://book.passkey.com/e/50167145>.

All rooms are \$169 for a single, double, triple or quad. Be sure and make your reservations as soon as possible.

The Southeast Region Clubs are excited to host this year’s convention in New Orleans, Louisiana - WHERE *IT ALL BEGAN!* The seminars, field trips and lots of free time to explore New Orleans await you. Certification class – “Accounting” – will be held on Wednesday, September 22nd by Sheryl Minear, the 2021 ADDC Parliamentarian. Field Trips will be Wednesday and Seminars will be held on Thursday. Friday and Saturday will be our Business Sessions.

It has been some time since we have all been able to be together and I look forward to seeing all of you in New Orleans. As we don’t know what the State of Louisiana Guidelines for Meeting in person are going to be in September, as we get closer, you will be kept up to date with their requirements.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or any member of the Board.

Evelyn

“When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one which has been opened for us.”

— *Helen Keller*

Central Region Director's Newsletter



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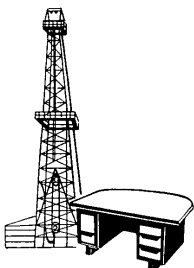
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July 1, 2021

So the ADDC Registration Packets have been sent out. Book your flights, or plan your road trip, pack your bags and get ready to "GO"! Yippee! We are only 82 days away from being able to get together and celebrate our organization as we take care of business, learn new skills, attend interesting field trips, and most of all, meet in person to hug our old friends and make new ones.

Last month, in keeping with the theme "Make a Difference, Be the Difference" I wrote about the difference Inez Awty made as a founder for our organization. This month, I would like to look back on the brave men and women who made it possible to celebrate the 4th of July. Every year, Americans rejoice and celebrate Independence Day with great fanfare amidst colorful parades, flag hoisting ceremonies, barbecue parties, baseball games, swimming pools, and of course fireworks! (By the way, there would be no fireworks without the oil and gas industry).

Americans are supposed to remember the suffering their forefathers endured to win them precious freedom. On July 4, 1776 when Thomas Jefferson, along with other members of the Continental Congress, drafted the Declaration of Independence. It was the moment of truth all Americans had waited for. If the effort of severing ties from the British succeeded, the leaders of the movement would be hailed as true American heroes. However, if the effort failed, the leaders would be guilty of treason and face death. As I look around at current events, I truly wonder if we do stop and reflect on what this holiday really means. In his article, What Price Freedom, Paul Harvey wrote the details of what actually happened to some of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

"Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army. One of the signers had two sons captured. Nine of the fifty-six fought and died of wounds or the hardships of the Revolutionary War.

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They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes...and their sacred honor. Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and his properties to pay his debts and died in rags. Thomas McKean was so hounded by the enemy that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him and poverty was his reward. Vandals or soldiers or both looted the properties of Ellery Clymer, Hall, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge and Middleton. At the Battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson Jr. noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. The owner quietly urged General George Washington to open fire, which was done. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt. His grave is unmarked and unknown. Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their thirteen children fled for their lives. His fields and his grist mill were laid waste. For more than a year he lived in the forests and caves, returning home after the war to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Morris and Livingston suffered similar fates. Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. These were soft-spoken men of means, wealth and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight and unwavering, they pledged: 'For the support of this declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of the Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor.'

The sacrifices made by our founding fathers were tremendous. It hurts me to see so many have a disrespect for our country. As freedom seems to slip through our fingers, let's pause and reflect on the men and women who gave fought and died for our precious freedom. They made a difference. We can too. Be a proud American! Be proud of our industry! Be proud of our ADDC Organization! Celebrate the past and participate in making the future.

Kay McKinley
Central Region Director



PUTTING CONTEST A SUCCESS!

Even though the temperatures were soaring, some of your fellow D&Ders volunteered to host our annual Putting Contest at the Mid-Continent Oilmen's Invitational Golf Tournament at Twin Hills Golf & Country Club. We sold over 150 chances to participating golfers who showed off their putting skills to try to share in the cash prizes. As it turned out, 3 golfers were tied for 1st place at the end of the contest and chose to spit the pot evenly rather than have a "putt-off" to determine the 1st and 2nd places. Congratulations to Jimmy Hobbs, Chris McKraken and Ameil Shadid – our 2021 putting contest winners.

And, many thanks to our volunteers – Michelle Burgard, Marsha Gentry, Gayle Junker, Tim Parrish, Wendy Sparks, Martha West, and our special volunteers from Washita Valley Enterprises, Kristie, Mallory and Valerie.





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Fun
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DATES TO REMEMBER

July 19 National Stick Out Your Tongue Day



July 22 National Hammock Day

July 24 National Day of the Cowboy Day



July 25 National Wine and Cheese Day

July 28 National Chocolate Milk Day

July 30 National Get Gnarly Day

Aug 1 National Raspberry Cream Pie Day

Aug 2 National Coloring Book Day



Aug 5 National Underwear Day

Aug 6 International Beer Day

Aug 7 National Mustard Day

Aug 8 National Happiness Happens

Day



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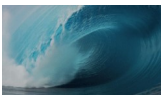
LET'S LAUGH (or groan)

Q: What is brown, hairy, and wears sunglasses?

A: Coconut on vacation.

Q: What kind of tree fits in your hand?

A: A palm tree!



Q: How do we know that the ocean is friendly?

A: It waves!

Q: What do you do if you get rejected at the sunscreen company?

A: Reapply

Q: Where do goldfish go on vacation?

A: Around the globe



Q: What does the sun drink out of?

A: Sunglasses





USA STATES

Can you find all 50 states? Words have been hidden in all directions!

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Lucky



Strike!



Connie Price, Michelle Burgard and Jamie Gilmore enjoying the meeting.



Ann Mefford our 50/50 winner and Debi Sheline.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



July

07/10 Connie Price

07/23 Martha Hunter West

07/29 Debby Bond

August

08/23 Charlene Brewer

08/25 Debi Sheline

08/30 Kelsee Geringer



”
Taylor Rose, Kelsee Geringer, Brandy Wilson, Debi Sheline
and Ann Nguyen getting ready to enjoy our speaker.

July 27, 2021 Membership Meeting

Packard's New American Kitchen
201 NW 10th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73103
Dinner & Meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Cost \$26.00 Meeting Only: No Charge

Cash Bar






Department of Public Safety to speak out getting a REAL ID!

[Reservations must be received by noon on Friday, July 23, 2021](#)

Payment Must Be Made For Reservation

Send Reservations to: Ann Nguyen E-mail: anguyen@eprod.com

July 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 NATIONAL POSTAL WORKER DAY	2	3
	5	6	7 NATIONAL MACARONI DAY	8	9 	10 NATIONAL KITTEN DAY
11	12	13 NATIONAL FRENCH FRY DAY	14 	15	16 ARTICLES DUE FOR BULLETIN	17
18	19	20 NATIONAL FORTUNE COOKIE DAY	21	22 	23	24
25	26 NATIONAL COFFEE MILKSHAKE DAY	27 MEMBERSHIP MEETING	28	29	30 	31 NATIONAL MUTT DAY

August 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 NATIONAL COLORING BOOK DAY	3 	4 NATIONAL CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIE DAY	5	6 NATIONAL WIGGLE YOUR TOES DAY	7 
8 	9	10	11	12	13 ARTICLES DUE FOR BULLETIN	14
15	16 NATIONAL ROLLER COASTER DAY	17	18 	19	20	21
22	23	24 MEMBERS MEETING	25	26	27	28 NATIONAL BOW TIE DAY
29 	30 NATIONAL BEACH DAY	31	Notes: 