The **Alaska Driller**

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**A.A.D.E. Monthly Technical Forum –**

**When:** Thursday – September 16th  
**Time:** 11:30-1:00 Joint Meeting with SPE  
**PLEASE RESERVE BY**  
**Where:** BP; Conference Rooms A, B, C  
**September 13th**  
**Speaker:** Commissioner Catthering Foerster, Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
**RSVP NOW!!!**  
**Topic:** What’s New at the AOGCC  
**Reservations:** Please reply to eVite! Only if no eVite: Donna.Hicks@bp.com

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**A.A.D.E. LOOK AHEAD**

- **9/13/10** Board of Directors Meeting at the PCA 5pm  
- **9/13/10** RSVP through eVite for Monthly Luncheon  
- **9/16/10** Monthly Meeting – 11:30-1:00 Conf Rooms A, B and C  
- **10/2/10** Grouse Ridge Clay Shoot (Tentative Date)  
- **10/18/10** Board of Directors Meeting at the PCA 5pm  
- **10/21/10** Monthly Meeting

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**From the President** by Greg Hobbs, State of Alaska, DNR  
[greg.hobbs@alaska.gov](mailto:greg.hobbs@alaska.gov)

It is hard to believe that it is September and time for the first post summer meeting. Summer has flown by for sure-

I would like to give a sincere thank-you to Eric Dompeling and Vance Hazzard, who were both committed to AADE and have elected to take a break from the Board. Thank-you! I would also like to welcome Cody Hinchman and Gerald Atol to the Steering Committee. Jim Patton and Jennifer Julian ran and were elected to another term on the Steering Committee- Thanks for the continued help! Paul Hanson is the new Programs Chair, replacing Mary Endacott who is on the Steering Committee through May for transition. Thanks Paul for accepting this important role!

THANK-YOU to all who supported the 2010 FFFFF event in May. Final numbers show that the event raised $23,297, beating the 2009 record of $23,088. In the past, we have donated $17,500 to charities and scholarships. At a board meeting in August, based on the success of the 2010 FFFFF, and the appreciation of Bean’s Cafe and Kid’s Kitchen and Downtown Soup Kitchen in 2009, the board elected to give $3,000 to each charity this year, and $10,000 to Scholarships for a total of $19,000. Thanks again for your support of Fin Fur Feather Food Festival!

As an organization with a mission of education, I wanted to mention that the BP Report, with the results of the Accident Investigation on the Deepwater Horizon, has been posted for public access at www.bp.com. The report is informative and worth the read. The more we learn from the accident as an industry, the larger our tribute will be to the eleven men that perished.

I can never thank our membership enough for the success you bring to our organization.
**Student Section Report** by Alex Vaughan, Pioneer [Alex.Vaughan@pxd.com](mailto:Alex.Vaughan@pxd.com)

I would like to congratulate the Student Section Officers for the 2010-2011 year:

Aaron Hill, Chairman  
Karan Damani, Secretary  
Irwin Chou, Treasurer

I look forward to working with you in the coming year.

I also am always looking for any speakers who are interested in going to UAF to give technical presentations to the students. If interested, please contact me- Thank-you!

**Tips from the State** by Tom Maunder, Alaska Oil & Gas Conservation Commission

Permitting Statistics (as of August 31, 2010)

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**Industry Guidance Bulletins**

From time to time, a matter common to multiple operators may need clarification. The mechanism employed by the Commission is an Industry Guidance Bulletin. Thus far a total of 10 such bulletins have been issued. All bulletins are available on the AOGCC web site via this link [http://doa.alaska.gov/ogc/bulletins/bulletindex.html](http://doa.alaska.gov/ogc/bulletins/bulletindex.html).

Three bulletins have been issued so far in 2010 with the most recent concerning the report content and time frame when BOPE is used to halt flow from a well in compliance with 20 AAC 25.035(e)(11), 20 AAC 25.036(g), 20 AAC 25.285(f)(9) and 20 AAC 25.286(e)(8). Of the 10 bulletins issued, 6 have relevance to rig operations.

Please share these tips with others in your organizations that may not be AADE members. Your attention to these matters is appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact an AOGCC representative for further information.
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How to Make Lunch Reservations:

Reservations for luncheon meetings are accepted up to EOB two business days prior to the meeting. Since we have little financial pad in our bank account, we cannot afford many “no-shows” or “new-shows”. Please reply to the eVite that we are using for lunches. ONLY E-mail reservations to Donna.Hicks@bp.com IF YOU DO NOT RECEIEVE AN eVite. Thanks!!!

- Include the names and company names for those that plan to attend.
- Note: The charge for the Technical Luncheon this month will be $25 for all attendees.
AADE Meeting News
(Please post in Coffee Rooms)

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Please renew your membership $20.00 or join as you check in!

Please Make Reservations by EOB on Monday– September 13
(Please help by sending your RSVP early!)