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The President Speaks

By Steve Limke

Greetings to all my industry colleagues as we enter the second month of 2006. I'm still trying to figure out where January went so fast. Gosh, I'm still paying Christmas bills!

I was in Midland, Texas last week on business and yes; our West Texas friends are just as busy or even busier than we are here in North Texas. A friend of mine there told me that the Midland Petroleum Club had a full membership for the first time since the early 1980s. A good sign that our business is alive and well. Another good sign is our US land rig count topped 1500 early this month.

We had a great January meeting with two local operators discussing their business plans for the coming year. My compliments go to our program director Gary Allen, as he always does a great job organizing interesting topics for our meetings.

The AADE National Board will be meeting in the DFW area this month, the day before our scheduled monthly meeting. One of the National Directors, Joe Leimkuhler, with Shell E&P will be our guest speaker at our February meeting. Joe is also the President of the New Orleans Chapter. We look forward to Joe's presentation and to meeting some of our National Board members. As always, our meeting will start at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, Feb. 15th at the Las Colinas Country Club. Plan to attend and meet some members from other chapters.

Hope to see you there,
Steve Limke

Making Reservations

[New Reservations Policy](#) – We are trying to phase out the call in system, and go to an email system. For reservations, send your reservation to: aadereservations@newtecheng.com. When making your reservation by email, give the name/s and company of each attendee. Often times the voice messages are hard to understand. Going digital should help eliminate discrepancies in the spelling of names, and generally aid us in meeting preparation and record keeping. The 800-221-4826-reservation number is still available, but our goal is to phase out the call-in number ASAP. Thanks for your cooperation.



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IADC Rotary Rig Report

Rotary Rigs Actually Making Hole
As reported by Baker Hughes
For Week Ending Feb 3, 2006

Country	This Week	Last Week	Last Month	Last Year
USA	1513	1487	1464	1248
Canada	727	698	594	576

International Rotary Rigs Running
Monthly Avg. for April 2005

Region	Current Month	Change From Previous Month
Europe	74	-1
Middle East	262	6
Africa	49	0
Latin America	327	9
Asia Pacific	236	-1

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Feb 15 Industry Challengers for HTHP Offshore Drilling
Joe Leimkuhler – Shell Oil
- April 6 METT – MetroPlex Energy Tennis Tournament
(see related information at end of newsletter)

Remember to check out www.aade.org for meeting information and anything AADE related.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL For 2005-2006

Renewal time is here! Now is the time to renew your AADE Chapter Membership for 2005-2006. Feel free to renew during the monthly meeting or by completing the form included in this newsletter and mailing it in with your \$15.00 to the address on the registration form. Please contact June Allen if you have any questions concerning your membership. June can be reached at 817-366-4427 or by e-mail at: mjunebugg@comcast.net.

February Meeting

<p>Date: February 15 , 2006</p> <p>Time: 4:30 pm 5:30 pm Social Hour</p> <p>Place: Las Colinas Country Club Irving, Texas</p>	<p>Speaker: Joe Leimkuhler Shell E&P – Offshore Well Delivery Mgr.</p> <p>Topic: Industry Challenges for HTHP Offshore Drilling... Are we up to the task?</p> <p>Cost: \$25 with reservations \$30 without reservations</p>
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Where: Las Colinas Country Club – 4400 N. O'Connor Blvd, Irving, Texas. Las Colinas CC is between Highways 114 and 183, near the DFW Airport. Call them at (972) 541-1141 or visit their website at <http://www.lascolinascc.com/> for directions.

Dress Code – Business Casual



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF DRILLING ENGINEERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE: _____

Chapter Affiliation *(please check one of the following):*

Dallas/ Fort Worth	Houston	Lafayette	New Orleans	West Coast	Denver	Permian Basin	Mid- Continent
\$15.00	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$25.00

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6th Annual Metroplex Tennis Tournament
April 6 – 8, 2006

Go to: <http://www.mettdfw.org/> to register or for more information

T-Bar-M Tennis Club, 6060 Dilbeck Lane, Dallas, TX 75240

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