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President's Letter

Dear Fellow Members

I don't know about you but the first cool front of the Fall can not get here soon enough! Right now things are kind of quiet, AADE is in the midst of the annual summer lull. However, I would like to wrap up a few acknowledgments from last season and provide some perspective on the upcoming 2004/2005 season.

First off a big thank-you to David Gautreaux and the Fin, Feather & Fur Food Fest committee for the excellent fest held on June 3rd. It was a great event (sold out as usual!) with a great time had by all. If you need a FFFFF fix prior to next years event you might want to consider the National AADE FFFFF scheduled for Houston on November 11th. A big thank-you is also due to Bob Freeman and the folks on the AADE Golf Committee; Mother Nature provided a bit too much of the wet stuff to allow the PM round to be properly concluded, but that did not stop everyone from enjoying a successful tournament. We had 234 golfers and raised \$14,500 from the Golf tournament.

Various AADE board members are hard at work preparing for what promises to be a very active and productive 2004/2005 season. The New Orleans AADE board met in June to discuss our focus areas for the upcoming year and agreed that in addition to fostering our own internal knowledge sharing, increasing the general public's knowledge of the oil and gas industry is also needed. It should be no surprise to anyone that the public image of our industry is not aligned with the high tech nature, cutting edge advances and actual safety, and environmental performance of the Oil and Gas business in 2004. Last year AADE funded the placement of two "Knowledge Boxes" in the Jefferson Parish School System. Bob Freeman and I attend the "Roll-out" and training session for 31 Jefferson Parish teachers on June 3rd conducted by Sally Bettis from the Offshore Energy Center in Texas. The teachers were very receptive to the use of the materials in their science curriculum and were very appreciate of the help provided by AADE. Our plans for 2004/2005 is to fund and locate additional Knowledge Boxes in the school systems in the

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Calendar of Events

August 19 & 20
September 2, 2004

SPE – NOGS – AADE Deepwater Symposium
Monthly Luncheon Meeting
Holiday Inn Superdome

October 7, 2004

Monthly Luncheon Meeting
Holiday Inn Superdome

October 29, 2004

AADE N.O. Clay Shoot

Please contact Traci Stubbs at 504-593-6760 or e-mail to Stubbs@Halliburton.com. The luncheon fees are \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. You can pay your \$15 membership at the same time you pay for lunch. Reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance of each monthly luncheon event. If you have made reservations and are unable to attend, please cancel with Traci Stubbs.

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greater New Orleans area. At our first meeting in the fall on September 8th, I will roll out the case for action for additional participation in this program. Sally Bettis will also provide a short overview of what the Knowledge Boxes are and how they can be used in our school systems to demonstrate basic scientific concepts and provide an insight into the business of oil and gas development. I am really pumped about this effort and am looking forward to discussing with you opportunities for AADE to have a positive impact in our area schools; I hope you will attend.

In closing I'd like to remind you of the first AADE sponsored event for the 2004/2005 season the Eighth Annual Deepwater Technical Symposium to be held at the Riverside Hilton on August 19-20. For additional info check out the AADE website

Sincerely,
Joe Leimkuhler

Good Shootin' Time

**Eighth Annual AADE New Orleans
Chapter Sporting Clays Tournament
Tallow Creek Shooting Range – Covington, La.**

The eighth annual Sporting Clays Tournament is scheduled for Friday, October 29, 2004 with a rain check date of Friday November 5, 2004. Participation in this event will be limited to the first forty registered four person teams. In the interest of fairness, each company will be limited to two teams and all participants must derive their income from a petroleum industry source. The entry deadline is September 30, 2004.

Pre-registration will begin at 12:00 AM on Thursday, October 28, 2004 for those shooters wanting to get in a practice round. Shooters unable to register on Thursday may sign in on Friday, no later than and between the hours of 7:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

For more information contact Tommy Picou at 504-394-3853 or Traci Stubbs at 504-593-6760.

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Robert's Rules

Like many of us, H.M. Robert once attended a meeting that quickly evolved into chaos. Unlike most of us, he did something about it.

Henry Martyn Robert worked for the Corps of Engineers on projects throughout the United States. A West Point graduate, he served with the North during the Civil War, and retired from the Army as a brigadier general in 1900. If you're ever in Galveston, Texas, you can see his name on the Sea Wall plaque, as he was in charge of that project.

While visiting in Massachusetts in 1877, Mr. Robert was asked to chair a church meeting. He was unprepared, and the meeting was a disaster. He left the session vowing to learn parliamentary law. While traveling for the Army, he attended meetings in all parts of the country, and he found that anarchy was the rule, with important issues settled on the basis of lung power. Each geographic area had its own idea of parliamentary procedure, so Robert decided that a set of universal rules were (pardon the pun) in order.

He studied what little information was then available, including Luther Cushing's *Lex Parliamentaria Americana* and Thomas Jefferson's *Manual of Parliamentary Practice*. Using his engineer's sense of structure and highly defined logic, he compiled a set of procedures that would serve gatherings of nearly any time or size. He self-published the first edition, and sold 4,000 copies in four months. The book is now in its 10th revision, still helping to keep the peace during the democratic process.

Today, such standard meeting practices as the calling to order, presenting a motion, and having the floor are commonly known as "Robert's Rules of Order."

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Registrars: Bob Freeman (bfreeman@smith.com) or Shelley Ducote (sducote@smith.com), c/o Smith International, Inc. – 1615 Poydras Street, Ste. 830, New Orleans LA 70112-1242. Phone: 504-525-2487, Fax: 504-561-6391

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Last year, our Membership Drives were very successful—we now have over 530 members in our chapter. We hope to build on that success during our 2004-2005 and are aiming to increase membership to new heights. We will need everyone's support to help us bring in new people and retain our current members. Invoices have been mailed out and if you have not received yours, you'll find an application enclosed in this newsletter.

We look forward to working with all of you, so that our New Orleans Chapter remains a leader in the drilling community both locally and across the oilfield.

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