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A.A.D.E. Monthly Technical Forum Thursday, April 20, 2006

Speaker: Rafael Hernandez
Halliburton

Topic: Reverse Circulating
Cementing

Time: 5:30 - Social Hour
6:30 - Dinner
7:00 - Presentation

Place: Petroleum Club

Cost: \$20, if RSVP by COB on
Wednesday, \$25 after

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From the President

Well, it wasn't exactly what I would call a spring day, but the leprechaun gave us just enough luck to dodge the raindrops long enough to complete the 2006 AADE golf tournament before the gully washer came. Thanks again to Dave Guerrero, the JD Rush staff, and the volunteers from all the companies that provided food and refreshments. Because of your efforts and the great turnout, it was another successful tournament and fundraiser for the AADE.

As I was thinking about what to write this month, the subject of technology came to mind. The March AADE Drilling Magazine has some good articles about well bore stability prediction, some of the newest bit technology and a new

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AADE calendar for 2006

4/20: April Technical Forum
5/12: May Clay Shoot

This schedule is tentative and
may be subject to change.

Lucky Member of the Month

Robbie Mundorf

I was born in Bakersfield 50+ years ago on the bridge that crosses the river from Rosedale Hwy (it was a single bridge back then) and have lived here all my life. I grew up around the oilfields, riding with my dad who had a trucking business. He would move Gary Drilling rigs (before they had their own trucks) and set Lufkin pumping units with an old pole truck. It would take from early in the morning until late at night to make a trip to Los Angeles up the grapevine in the old underpowered trucks. You could walk beside the truck going up the hill and hope for the best coming down. Friday lunches during the summer or other school vacations were reserved for the Wool Growers back when they were on Sumner St (enough of the good old days).

In 1974 Gloria and I were married and she has put up with me for 30 plus years. We have two children Jason (my competitor) and Nicole a neonatal intensive care nurse, and soon to be mother (I guess that makes me a soon to be grandfather).

In 1979 I started selling drill bits and have been involved in the industry since that time. In 1986 I started with Smith International as a Tech sales rep for diamond products (PDC bits), became sales manager for all services until the directional end was sold to Halliburton in 1994. For the past eleven+ years I have represented Smith Bits as a manufactures rep and sold other drilling tools through my company.

In closing I would like to thank Brad and Merrit for donating such a nice gift for the golf tournament, they always support the AADE in a big way and they deserve recognition for the job they do.

From the President

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technique and tools for repairing old wells that were damaged by subsidence. As our technology advances, life in the oilfield just keeps getting better, but not necessarily all the time, every day.

As a technodinosaur like me struggles with his personal computer, it is both tragic (for me) and comic (for anyone watching), as I sometimes feel like I'm going backwards. I started off March with a hard drive crash on my company laptop. Of course, the weekly back up of my machine was there to save me, sort-of. Most of the contents were saved by the back up, but somehow they don't all seem to go back onto the new hard drive the same way that they came off of the old one. Just as our IT department got me back to most of my old settings, it was time to watch my machine do summersaults as the company "upgraded" to Office 2003...and more lost settings. As I finally got it back together at the end of the month, my home computer demanded equal time, and magically developed a corrupted operating system. As I type this on my daughter's computer, I am struggling to restore my home computer with another back up that doesn't seem to have retained everything. Technology in the new millennium is both a blessing and a curse.

Getting back to some of that good technology, we have an interesting presentation for April, which will be our final dinner meeting for the 2005 – 2006 season. Doing things backwards usually is not a good idea (see above), but our April speaker will show us why going backwards can be a good thing and how to go backwards the right way when it comes to cementing. Remember, this will be our last dinner meeting at the Petroleum Club, so come enjoy the food and the 12th floor view one last time.

Bob Joseph

N O T I C E

Membership dues due date is changing!
Effective January 1, 2006, the dues year will change from June 1 - May 31 to January 1 - December 31.



2006 AADE West Coast Golf Tournament

Once again the AADE West Coast Chapter Board and Steering Committee would like to recognize all the sponsors and players who make this event both profitable and an enjoyment for everyone.

The rain did drop but from what I observed it didn't dampen the enthusiasm for the players on the course.

We limited the amount of teams to 32 that equated to 192 players on the course. Having only one team start on the par three's seemed to help keep play moving from the onset. We did have 6-7 additional teams that wanted to play that didn't get to, so remember for next year get your team and golf tournament forms in early.

The AADE West Coast Chapter with the help of the J.D. Rushette's, and the generosity of the golf tournament participants raised approximately \$4,500.00 for the raffle and a total of approximately \$14,000.00 for the tournament.

I would also like at this time to acknowledge by name the On Course Hole Sponsors, Donation Sponsors and their personnel who help make this tournament a success.

Baker Hughes Companies – Hole 18, Pork Chops and Sausages

BJ Services – Hole 5, Burgers and Tim Frame's Specials
Halliburton Energy Services – Hole 9, Breakfast Burritos, Sausages

Smith Services – Hole 7, Bloody Marys, Bailey/Coffee

Grand Prize Sponsor:

San Joaquin Bit Services Inc. – Brad Peters/Merritt Hayslett. \$2,000.00 gift certificate at Pebble Beach. This prize was won by Robbie Mundorf!

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Special thanks to Jack White, Lisa Velvick, Lisa Tatum, Teri Varner and Lisa Burkhart of J.D. Rush for their help with the AADE raffle tickets and refreshments.

Also thanks to Tony Courtis for helping with the scoring and raffle prizes and Jim Foster who took pictures for the teams.

I hope everyone liked the golf shirts and we plan to see you all again next year, until then thanks to everyone.

Best Regards,

Dave Guerrero

Golf Tournament Chairman

News Briefs

To no one's surprise the golf tournament was as good as ever. We were very fortunate that the weather decided to not be much of a problem until we were under the big shed covering the patio. We are quite relieved to not have been sued by the relatives of someone that had eaten to the point that they exploded. The food and drink just keep getting better every year. It is very difficult to pace yourself so you can at least sample something from everyone. I know I was stuffed by the time I got to the back nine but that did not stop me from gorging on the pork chops and sausages.

The raffle was great fun for everyone, except the few of us that were left with nothing but a bunch losing tickets. There was one lucky guy by the name of Robbie Mundorf that won the grand prize, a trip to Pebble Beach (see the Lucky Member of the Month article).

All in all, Dave Guerrero did a fantastic job again this year. I am sure he would say that it was only possible because of the companies willing to step up and sponsor the event and all the people that came out and volunteered to do all the things that make it so great. So thanks to everyone, sponsors and volunteers, and especially Dave for making it all happen.

The April technical forum will be at the Petroleum Club and Rafael Hernandez will be discussing Reverse Circulating Cementing. He should have some interesting things for us. So come out and support him and the AADE.

The ballots for the election of new officers for our New Year beginning in September will be at the April meeting.

It is time for us to start looking for candidates for our scholarships and the information on how to apply for one of those is in this newsletter. If you have a student or know someone that does and they could use some financial help, have them apply and see if they qualify.

The month of March has seen the passing of several of our well known friends in this industry and a couple of well known guys in other industries. Norman Cooper started Cooper's Petroleum in 1977 and supplied petroleum products to most of the industry in this area. Norman passed away on March 25th. In lieu of flowers, his family has asked that donations be made to the Oil Technology program at Taft High School. An account has been established at United Security Bank account #010 203546.

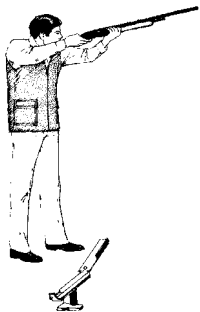
Also passing this month was Bill Branson, after graduating from Taft Union High School in 1948; he went to work for Atlantic Richfield until he retired from Arco in 1985. Bill's family asked that in lieu of flowers that donations be sent to the American Cancer Society.

This month also saw the passing of Don Gregory of Taft. Don was known to all in this business as one of the premier fishing tool hands.

We would be remiss not to mention the passing of Bob Grimm of Grimmway Farms and Buck Owens, the most famous person to ever claim Bakersfield as home.

We wish the best to all the family members and friends of each of these men. They will be missed and remembered by all that knew them.

Bob French



STEVE THOMAS SEMI-ANNUAL SPORTING CLAYS SHOOT

SPONSORED BY THE A.A.D.E

Come out and join us at Five Dogs Shooting Range for an afternoon of shooting, eating, prizes and just having fun.

DATE: May 12, 2006
TIME: 8:30 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.
COST: Shoot and Lunch - \$100.00 per person
Lunch only - \$10.00 per person

- ◆ Shooting will be limited to the first 20 teams at each starting time - so get your applications in early.
- ◆ Lunch, awards, and prizes follow shoot.
- ◆ AADE Membership is required.
- ◆ Entry deadline is May 5, 2006.

Please get your company to make a station sponsor donation or donate a prize for the raffle. Let's make this clay shoot the best one yet!!

SHOOTER	COMPANY	PHONE	MEMBERSHIP \$15	ENTRY FEE \$100.00
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ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE No. _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

CURRENT EDUCATION in PROGRESS: _____

School attending and year of study

Note: *If Senior in High School must attach proof of acceptance to an accredited College or University.*

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: LAST TERM _____ OVERALL _____ *Attach transcript*

MAJOR or Current Topic of Study: _____

NAME OF COUNSELOR: _____ PHONE # _____

REFERENCES: *(Please attach.)*

NEED FOR SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS: _____

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Please attach resume!

DEADLINE MAY 31, 2006

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Business Type: *(Please circle one)*
 (10) Oil and Gas Producer (20) Engineering/Operations Consulting (30) Environmental (40) Equipment/Service Supply Company
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Job Function: *(Please circle one)*
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