

October 2007

A.A.D.E.
Monthly Technical Forum
Thursday, Oct. 18th,
2007

Speaker: F. Bruno De La Mata
Topic: Wild Well Control
Time: 5:30 - Social Hour
 6:30 - Dinner
 7:00 - Presentation
Place: Rice Bowl
Cost: \$20, if RSVP by COB on
 Wednesday, Oct. 17th -
 \$25 after
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From the President

Greetings fellow Drillers !! The West Coast AADE 2007-2008 program year is moving full steam ahead ! Suffice it to say that if you missed last month's meeting featuring Jeff Flaherty, Vice-President – US Land Operations for Helmerich & Payne Drilling – then you missed a great meeting and presentation. Those present were given an informative look at H&P's flex rig technology as well as an eye opening look at the current status of the drilling rig industry. It appeared to me that all those in attendance greatly enjoyed the evening.

This month's presentation promises to be a "fiery hot" topic as well. It is scheduled for Thursday October 18, 2007 at the Rice Bowl at 1119 18th Street in downtown Bakersfield. Mr. Bruno De La Mata from Wild Well Control, Inc. will be speaking. This subject always proves to be interesting. Social

hour begins at 5:30 pm, dinner is served at 6:30 pm, and the speaker will begin at 7:00 pm.

Take a minute right now and make your reservation. You can e-mail Patti Holliday at Halliburton (patti.holliday@halliburton.com) or call her direct at 661-334-3600.

Once again, I would like to ask for your continued support of the West Coast AADE. I personally invite you to attend this month's dinner meeting on October 18, 2007. Please come out for an enjoyable evening with the local drilling community. Bring a friend.

See you there!

Jeff Quintana

Wild Well Control, Inc. has delivered firefighting, well control and related engineering services to the world's oil and gas industry since 1975. These services have been provided for onshore, inland water, offshore and deepwater well control incidents. Although we are well known for our firefighting and blowout expertise, our complete list of other related services is unsurpassed in the industry. WWCI recently added training to its list of services with the launching of Well Control Training – the most practical and hands-on well control school available to the industry. The IADC certified training school features the most advanced simulator system available worldwide.

Whether your needs include well control or pressure control situations, complex well recovery operations, or related engineering services to ensure an efficient and safe performance, Wild Well Control can assist you.



Lucky Members of the Month

Pierce O'Leary

On 5-11-07 I won the draw on a custom made .22-.250 which was generously donated by Jim Callichini of the Downhole Stabilizer Co. with that Bob French asked me to write this summary of my background.

I was born and raised in Yonkers, New York and was the third of seven children. Although only four of the magnificent seven remain, we are still close and often visit each other. I was raised in the Parochial school system for both elementary and high school years and never experienced a secular school system until I went to college. In 1967 I graduated from Pace University of New York with degrees in both Accounting and Marketing and began my selling career with Olivetti. I was assigned to Pittsburgh, PA to sell the machines and software for Olivetti's computerized accounting systems. It was in Pittsburgh where the second and third of our family were born. It was a little tough for the first year but with the help and support of my wife, Joan, we made it happen. In 1974 I ended up in Third Place Nationally for Sales Performance and was offered a Sales Management position in San Francisco. I ultimately ended up as West Coast Regional Manager and soon found out that I enjoyed the presence of my family more than being on the road.

In 1976 I received an offer to move to Bakersfield, which we graciously accepted only to find out that the opportunity was seriously overrated. Again, good fortune struck when I was introduced to Dewan Kerley, Lonnie's dad. We immediately hit it off and I was hired as a Milchem Field Rep. Selling drilling fluids was for me a huge change, however, I became good at it. In 1978 I met Bob French, he worked for Macobar

and we became friendly competitors. I also remember being introduced to Jim Fox on his first day on the job with Tenneco. The memories are strong and they are good. Learning that Milchem was leaving California, I decided to accept a Sales Management position with C.P.S. I covered the Bakersfield, Coalinga and Santa Maria Markets for the next eleven years. When C.P.S. acquired several smaller companies there were some duplications of positions. I ended up with the short straw and moved on. I worked for Zalco Laboratories for a few years and then resorted to Sales and Market Consulting.

I was back in New York when I got a call from Jack Dye who owned a small wireline company here in Bakersfield. He was in need of my experience and familiarity with the local market. I worked with Jack at Tiger Wireline Service until he decided to pack it in. At this time I was aware of an opening at PENGO wireline. I made contact with Don Hames and after a cup of coffee and ten minutes of dialogue we agree to terms and I joined the company. That was over nine years ago and since having passed the sixty-five mark I have changed my schedule to working one week on and one week off. I just love this schedule. It keeps me active but most of all it continues to keep me in touch with the friends and associates that I have gotten to know over the last thirty years.

In 2004 Joan and I moved into our new home that we built up in Golden Hills. She is still working in Stallion Springs and when she decides to retire in two years - I shall do the same.

I thank the AADE Group for the good times we have shared and also for allowing me to sell those raffle tickets at the sporting clays event. It is a real kick!

Thanks!

David Arias Senior Account Leader-Halliburton

I started my career as a roustabout in 1973 in Ventura County. In December 1975 I was offered a roughneck job for Camay drilling and worked for as rig hand until 1981. I worked from 1984-1990 for (Eastman Whipstock-Eastman Christensen-Eastman Teleco-Inteq) starting as field sales representative/surveyor/core hand in Ventura office; transferred to Bakersfield in 1990 to help teach Bob Kilby the true art of salesmanship as a Senior Account Representative.

In 1995 I realized my work with Kilby was done when Halliburton-Dennis Lovett offered and I accepted position as West Coast directional sales representative; I held position as account leader and served as West Coast manager for Sperry drilling services 2004-2006. I am currently a Senior Account Leader in business development working "patiently"

with young sales representatives on fine tuning their business skills.

I have been honored to serve as AADE secretary for over 13 years under several first class first class drilling and professional engineers (Zdarko, Fox, Zdarko, Briggs, Joseph, Kerley, and Quintana) all who did tremendous jobs representing AADE as presidents. If you really have been reading this bio; you will know this is where the salesman in me is really shining!

I am married to a wonderful lady Yolanda and father to two sons Anthony and Matt and Grandpa D to seven absolute beautiful Grandkids all whom I love as much as humanly possible.

In closing I would like to thank my good buddy Jim Fox for his RSVP to September meeting and not hanging around for the \$50.00.

News Briefs

First off this month, I would like to apologize to Pierce O'Leary for not getting his Lucky Member of the Month article in the newsletter last month. But it is in this month. Pierce won one of the guns in the raffle at the May Sporting Clay shoot. As a matter of fact there will be two Lucky Members this month because David Arias won the \$50 at the September Monthly Forum.


If you missed that last meeting, you missed a good one. Mr. Jeff Flaherty of Helmerich and Payne Drilling Co. made an outstanding presentation about their Flex Rigs. It was very interesting, informative and entertaining. They are really pushing to keep up to date with their equipment.

This month promises to be another good one. Mr. F. Bruno De La Mata an instructor at Wild Well Control will be speaking to us. Be sure to look at their brochure included in this newsletter. This promises to be an interesting topic.

The November meeting will be up against the Geothermal Golf Tournament so we want everyone not going down there to be sure to come to our meeting. That should be at the Rice Bowl on November 15th. Please put it on your calendar now.

More apologies are in order. First for the mix up on the Rice Bowl and the Petroleum Club last month and for the new system we arranged for distributing the newsletter. Evidently the way it was delivered, it would not get past many of the larger companies spam protection systems and quite a few people did not get their newsletter. We are going back to the way we delivered them before and hopefully everyone will get it. If anyone you know should be getting the newsletter and is not, please contact me at bfrench@geodf.com and include their email address and I will get them on the distribution list.

Bob French

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Oil Baron's Ball 2007

"Dancing Under the Stars"

November 3rd

DoubleTree, Grand Ballroom

Mark your calendars for the social event of the year...

The 23rd Annual API Oil Baron's Ball will be held on Saturday, November 3rd, at the DoubleTree Grand Ball Room. This gala event has become a formal tradition in Bakersfield. All proceeds from this event go toward funding scholarships which are given each year to local students by the API. Also at the Ball, we will be announcing the Oil Baron and Baroness for this year. Reserve your tickets today for the **Dancing Under the Stars 2007**. Tickets include dinner, dancing, fun and fellowship.

Yes, I would like to purchase the following:

_____ # of Tickets @ \$60.00/each for total of \$ _____
_____ # of Tables @ \$600.00/each for a total of \$ _____

Mail tickets to: _____

Yes, I would like to make a donation to the Oil Barons Ball
In the amount of \$_____.

This is a Semi-formal to Formal event. Rent your tux at any **Mr. Tuxedo** for a special discount and they'll also make a donation direct to our SJV Chapter of API.

Thank you for your support; you won't be disappointed.

*Teri Seely & Weldon Sons,
Oil Baron's Ball Co-Chairman*

For ticket sales or questions regarding the Oil Baron's Ball, contact **Weldon Sons or Teri Seely**. Please make checks payable to: San Joaquin Valley Chapter API, and mail to: Weldon Sons, 5100 Dewalt Street, Bakersfield, CA 93308. Tickets/Receipts will be mailed to you upon receipt of your check.

AADE Calendar for 2007

- 10/18: Monthly Technical Forum
- 11/15: Monthly Technical Forum
- 12/7: Clay Shoot
- 1/17: Annual Operators Forecast
- 2/21: Monthly Technical Forum
- 3/21: Golf Tournament
- 4/17: Monthly Technical Forum
- 5/16: Clay Shoot

This schedule is tentative and may be subject to change.