

A.A.D.E.
Golf Tournament
March 20 , 2009

Time: 8:00 Shotgun

Place: Sundale C.C.

Prizes and Raffle to follow.

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From the President—Fred Holmes

Recently, oil prices have somewhat stabilized. Of course, they are not where we would like them to be or for that matter where they need to be; but the good news is that they have quit going down and have actually come up a little. Kern River crude recently hit a low of \$20.15 on December 19, 2008. On February 27, 2009 the price for Kern River crude was \$40.20. Let's hope and pray that things return to normal soon so we can plan our work accordingly.

The February dinner meeting was well at-

tended. Weatherford presented "Drilling with Casing".

The AADE golf tournament is set for March 20th. The next dinner meeting will be held on April 16th at the Rice Bowl. Our last event before summer is the clay shoot in May.

Long time board member, Mr. Brian Briggs, will be leaving the board this month. I, along with the entire AADE board would like to thank Brian for his many years of service to the AADE as a board member. Brian was the scholar-

ship chairman for many years and did a terrific job. Brian really had a passion for this and enjoyed working with the students. Thank you very much, Brian for your dedication.

Mr. Tim Zadarko has volunteered to be the new scholarship chairman. Thank you Tim! Speaking of scholarships - in this newsletter there is an application for AADE scholarships. If you know someone or have someone attending college; please feel free to have them apply for a scholarship.

News Briefs—Bob French

We had a good turnout for the February Technical Meeting at the Rice Bowl, but we should have had a few more people. Steve Rosenberg of Weatherford and from Houston did a great job of explaining how and when to drill with casing. We all want to thank Steve for coming out and passing his information on to the rest of us.

I really would like to urge all of our members to attend these functions, they are quite interesting and informative and always a lot of fun. If you have ever been to one you know that there is plenty to eat. This month is our annual golf tournament at Sundale CC and from what I am hearing it is already full and there may be a waiting list. You can check with Dave Guere rro to find out the status. There are still plenty of sponsorships available. There is always room at the raffle for anyone that would like to come out for that as well and rumor has it

that there may be plenty of food and drink. So if you are not a golfer or could not play for some reason, come on out for some fun afterwards. There has been some talk of having some boiled crawfish at the raffle if it can be arranged.

All of you guys that may have a student in college or even know a student will be interested to know that the scholarship applications are attached to this newsletter. Take a copy to that student and have them apply for some of the AADE Scholarship Funds. Please note that the forms must be turned in by the end of May.

Please send any info or questions you might have regarding the newsletter or the AADE in general and I will try to get an answer for you or get your information into the newsletter. You can contact me at bfrench@geodf.com or (661) 325-5919.

AADE CALENDAR—2009

- 3/20: Golf Tournament
- 4/16: Monthly Technical Forum
- 5/15: Sporting Clay Shoot

This schedule is tentative and may by subject to change.

Lucky Member of the Month—Scott Quintana

I would like to first start off by thanking AADE for the raffle prize I received during the last meeting. I assure you that it was spent wisely during these tough economic times. Being a member of the “Oil Field Family” has contributed so much to who I am today. While I may not have the years of experience on a professional level that so many other members have, I do have quite a bit of experience on a personal level. I have been in this industry as long as I can remember. It has taken my family everywhere from Alaska to California to Indonesia to California to Texas to California... Of course, no petroleum based career is complete without at least a little time in the San Joaquin Valley (the most underrated area for drilling challenges and complexities hands down).

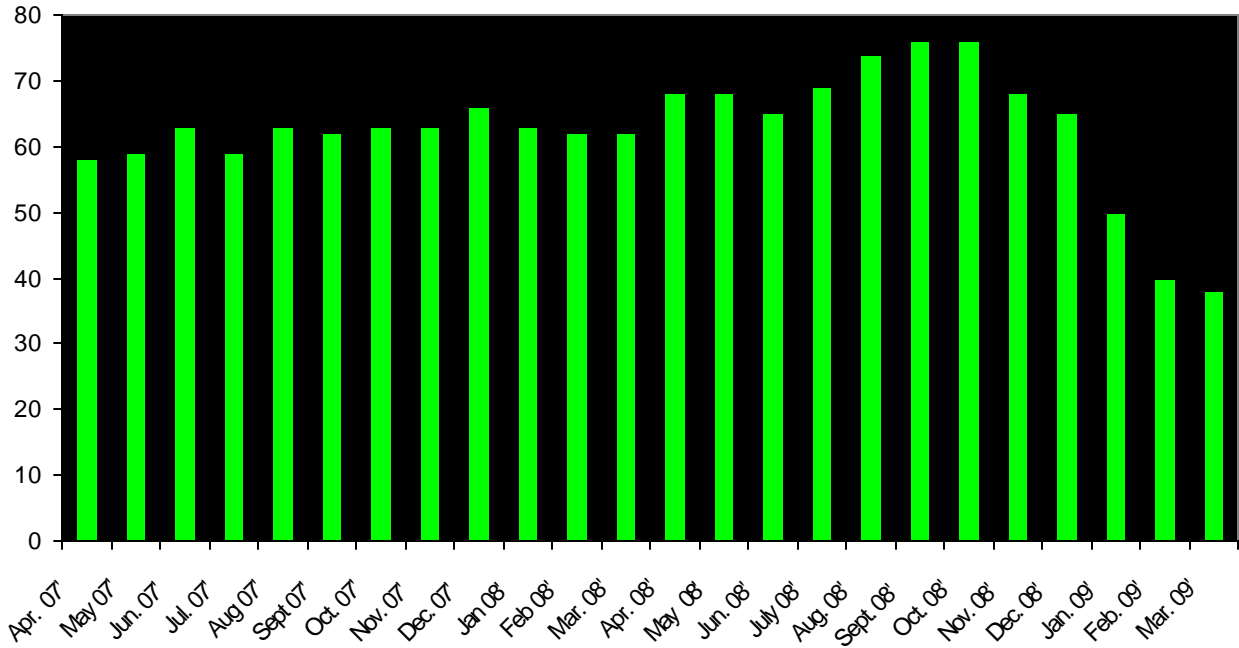
About a year and a half past and an offer to become Berry Petroleum’s drilling engineer was placed on my desk. For me, it was an easy decision, as my personal upbringing was in operations as is ultimately where I belong (for the few who know me, you know that customer service is not my strong suit). I have been with Berry Petroleum since, only now my official title is Planning Engineer. I have survived my first downturn (for now) and have gained more experience during this “economic restructuring process” than I ever could have anticipated. I am grateful for everyone that has helped me get to where I am today, you know who you are. I thank you all and am truly blessed to work with such great people in one of the most underrated cities in America (I don’t care what the statistics say, I’ve never been polled)!

Thanks again.

I am twenty seven years old and have been working in some way, shape, or form in the oil industry since I was eighteen. My career path has been nothing short of unorthodox, which ironically should have been the only expectation to have once the decision was made to follow in the “Old Man’s” footsteps. I earned a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, during which I worked for Baker Oil Tools in a multitude of locations and had a wide variety of responsibilities. Those responsibilities included painting liner hanger shop floors, cleaning out dry cement from cement heads, re-dressing running tools, running liner hanger assemblies, freezing my tail in Prudhoe Bay, AK, and everything in between. These summer/winter jobs allowed me to be a fulltime student so I could concentrate on the important aspect of my scholastic career (partying and girls)...

Upon graduation, I decided to spread my wings and head east to The Bayou (Louisiana specifically). I took a technical bit representative position in Lafayette, only to return to Bakersfield eight months later as a result of TWO hurricanes in my backyard. I don’t regret the decision, and leaving was the right choice. However, I had several great experiences in a very short amount of time and will never forget it (best food I’ve ever tasted!). The move was made possible by Doug Knippers, who at the time was the BOT Liner Hanger and Sand Control Systems Manager for the California operations. I guess he figured he made me steam clean tools for him in the Bakersfield summer heat ALL DAY, EVERYDAY it was the least he could do. I am much appreciative!

Monthly Rig Count Onshore California



* Data based on Munger Report

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
WEST COAST CHAPTER AADE
CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS ONLY

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE # _____ 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: _____

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS: _____

PUBLICATIONS: _____

Please submit early! **DEADLINE FIRM MAY 31, 2009**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
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