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Monthly Technical Forum February 18, 2016

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<u>Speaker</u>

Vince Fong

<u>Time</u>

5:30 PM Social Hour 6:30 PM Dinner 7 PM Technical Forum

> Place Rice Bowl

Cost \$25 if RSVP

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From the President

Hello again members of the West Coast Chapter of the AADE! February is upon us, and it is time again for our monthly AADE newsletter. I would like to take a brief moment to say thank you on behalf of all of us on the AADE Board of Directors and Steering Committee. What we do would not be possible without your support, and we cannot say thank you enough for your continued involvement during these trying times.

I would also like to thank everyone for the packed house attendance at this year "Liar's Club" meeting! We had over 200 people RSVP for the event, and many renewed AADE memberships for 2016! The room was full of a lot good cheer, and I hope everyone had a great time. Al-

though the validity of the information may have been questionable (it is call the Liar's Club after all)...I think we can all agree that the laughter is something we all need right now. Thank you again to all of our speakers and guests.

For this month's notables, I want to make sure that everyone received the invitation to renew their advertisements for the AADE newsletter. We appreciate the contribution, and the advertisements are a great way to get the word out to local industry. Also, keep your eyes peeled for the upcoming AADE Scholarship application notification. It is my favorite aspect of being on the AADE board, and I know we will have many

well deserving applicants again this year. Finally, as I have been reminding you for months, do not miss our AADE golf tournament March 18th at Sundale Country Club. The weather has been warming up, and it is shaping up to be another great event. If you would like to make any raffle prize donations for the event, feel free to contact any of the board members, and we will point you in the right direction!

Finally, please everyone join us February 18th for this month's dinner meeting held at the Rice Bowl. This month we will be joined by Vince Fong. I look forward to his presentation and hope to see you there! Please be sure to RSVP so we make sure to have enough seating and food for everyone, and so you can be eligible for the lucky member of the month drawing!

Craig Hossfeld

CRC



Calendar Events 2016

March 17, 2016	Technical Forum Meeting
March 18, 2016	Golf Tournament
April 21, 2016	Technical Forum Meeting

This schedule is tentative and subject to change

Guest Speaker: Vince Fong



Born & raised in Bakersfield, California Graduate from West High School Undergrad from UCLA Masters from Princeton University

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LMOTM: Rickey Bird (CODSCORP)

I was raised in a small town called Dewar in Oklahoma where you had to count the headstones in the cemetery to get a 4 figure population. At 15 I journeyed to Bakersfield to meet my Biological father and attended West High School. My Oilfield career began in Elk Hills in 1978 for a roustabout company named "Ricks Constructions" where I worked at 35R Warehouse. I then spent a short stint in the military and after discharge ended up back at Elk Hills working for the same roustabout service as a swamper on a crane.

During a delivery of Casing to a Drilling Rig (Cardinal 29) I witnessed the Canadian Driller terminating a couple of guys on his crew, as I was in the general area of where he was standing he asked me if I wanted to work on a drilling rig. I in turn asked how much they were paying and what he told me was three times more than my current employer so thus began my exposure to Drilling Rigs.

Over the next several years I worked for different Drilling Contractors such as Montgomery, Hylton, Camay, Gary, Golden State and Kenai. I also spent some time working for Atlas Oil Tools as well as my first exposure Wellsite Consulting for Patriot Resources and the Original E&B (Jim Ellison).

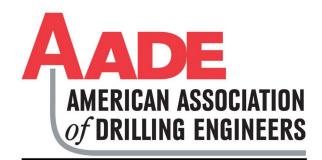
Around 1997 while with Kenai as a Rig Supervisor I was offered a position with Venoco by then Drilling Manager Craig Krummrich. I always joke that it a science project to show he could make an engineer out of a roughneck and called it "Monkey See Monkey Do". I was lucky enough to have him as a mentor for the next 5 years. In the beginning during one of our conversations Craig had told me that someday I would think I knew more than he did and would need to move on. Although it sounded ridiculous at the time in about 5 years I did just that. It didn't take long to realize how wrong I was.

Over the next 3 years I was fortunate enough to get to work with and learn from some talented people at Chevron, Mike Mollere, David Renshaw and Lisa Kohler. I then took a job as a Drilling Manager in Venezuela for Vinncler Oil & Gas followed by a stint at the same position Managing Projects with 2 Jack Up Operations off the Coast of Nigeria. I followed the same team I was working for in Venezuela as Drilling and Operations Manager for their startup Company "Legacy Energy".

Since leaving Legacy in 2009 I spent a couple of years in the Haynesville Field with Exco, 2 years as Area Manager for Drilling at Key and just over 2 years ago partnered up with Ryan Boyd starting CODScorp. I have a wonderful supportive family including my beautiful wife Valari, four amazing sons, Rickey Jr., Bryce, Tate and Willie Bird and three grandkids. I live just outside of Bakersfield on a mini ranch with 3 horses, 10 dogs (Only four actually belong to us) and an old cat that keeps the dogs in line. My favorite pastime is guiding a Super stock Race Car at the Kern County Speedway into a couple of places in front of last place.



2016 AADE West Coast Invitational Golf Tournament



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Sundale Country Club
Friday March 18, 2016
Shotgun Start at 8:00 am
Entry Fee is: \$750 per Team
Tee Sponsor is an additional \$200

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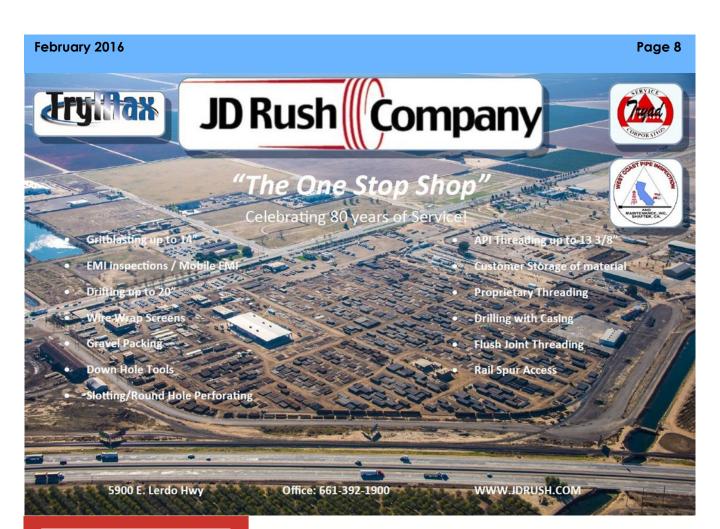


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