

## CARAVAN

Here's how we change lives through networking and scholarships

We gather to boost the remarkable achievements

**networking and scholarships**We gather to honor the remarkable achievements of our scholarship recipients, made possible through the support of the NOMADS association scholarship

Nomad Foundation, led by ED CARNEY. **Every. Single. Year.** 

Congratulations to Our Scholarship Recipients:

fund and the generous contributions from the

- Samuel Blanchard: Grandson of Gene Blanchard, a devoted and long-standing member of NOMADS.
- Ke'Onia Adams: Goddaughter of Cornelius Jones, Shell. And also our esteemed 2024 NOMADS president

### **Teeing Up for October 31st**

Our immediate focus is the annual Golf Scholarship Fundraiser. This year's event is set to be the biggest yet! Teams from across the industry will join us to support scholarships. Get your teams ready for a great day of golf and giving back!



www.nomads-international.com/golf-tournament





Gavel, Golf, and Global Tech
Tides: NOMADS Celebrates
Heritage Amidst Evolving Markets

### **Trade Challenges**



Import tariffs stayed high (around 15% to 18%), increasing costs for our members. New rules also made shipping low-value items more complex. While Canada offered some relief by lifting a few counter-tariffs, managing global trade requires close attention.

### **Technology Triumphs**

Our industry is getting smarter and faster.

- The use of AI for predictive maintenance is expanding rapidly, which means equipment is breaking down less often.
- Shale operations, especially in the Permian Basin, are achieving record productivity thanks to advanced digital tools
- The biggest story is the massive investment in natural gas infrastructure. This is driven by the huge energy demands of new Al-powered data centers and global LNG exports, creating major new work opportunities for our members.

# EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY. POWERED BY PEOPLE.



### A Treasure Trove of History: Celebrating 87 Years of Excellence



We made history this quarter by acquiring a very special piece of our past: an ex-president's original 1948 gavel and other important items. This collection celebrates the nearly 87-year legacy of our association and reminds us of the strong networking foundation we all share.

In a delightful twist, we were surprised by the appearance of the granddaughter of Homer E. Thornhill, the 1948 president of NOMADS. **Traci Terrall** amazed us with treasures from her grandfather's legacy, including an engraved gavel, ashtray, photos, documents, and the history of the UNIBOLT, a remarkable innovation in the oil and gas sector by Thornhill-Craver.

### **DEC Houston Annual Export Conference**

Location: PNC Bank, PNC Bank 2200 Post Oak Blvd, 18th Floor, Houston, TX 77027
Date and time: Thu, Oct 23, 2025 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Organizer: Stephanie Chavez, exec@houstondec.org

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