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Organization and/or Occupation:

I worked for ConocoPhillips for 33 years and as a consultant for two years (one with interRel and one as an independent) using Essbase. In January 2019, I began my current career as a grandfather (moving to be closer to the two older grandsons). In retirement, I spend most of my time traveling with my wife, playing bridge, volunteering as a Scout leader, and playing with my grandkids. Before you ask—yes, as everyone says, I am in fact busier now that I'm retired than I was while working.

How long have you been a member of ODTUG?

I was first introduced to ODTUG at the 2008 Kaleidoscope conference in New Orleans. Oracle had just bought Hyperion, and Mike Riley decided to add a Hyperion track to the conference that year. There were about 100 of us, and we spent the entire conference in the same room learning from the experts in the industry. After skipping the 2009 conference, I attended every ODTUG Kscope from 2010 to 2018 and was honored to be chosen to speak at three of them.

What do you most enjoy about ODTUG?

ODTUG Kscope conferences are like a homecoming. It's an opportunity to network with people from other companies and learn what works and maybe doesn't work for them. As an ODTUG member, you can do as much or little as you wish. There are many volunteer positions to choose from. I had the opportunity to assist with the ambassador program, leading the annual training meeting at ODTUG Kscope. This program allowed me to meet and work with many of the experts in EPM.

What's your favorite tip for someone in our industry?

Listen! There are many ways to accomplish a task, and while you may think you know what to do, there may in fact be a better way. It never hurts to ask for help.

If you had to eat one meal every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Fish tacos with Spanish rice and guacamole.