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Marriage Merges Similarities

Little did Ed A. Hall, communications technician, Information Processing, suspect that a June 1977 call for assistance would lead him to the altar some 13 months later.

The caller, plant secretary Sandra Bryant (pronounced Saundra), was seeking Ed's technical assistance for the newly installed teletype machine at the El Paso Chemical Plant in Illinois. The teletype machine was installed to improve the El Paso Plant's communications with other Shell locations. But, in the beginning at least, all it added were problems. And, as secretary to Ray Gasperi, the plant manager, it was Sandra's responsibility to contact the Information Center for their technical assistance, which came in the form of Ed Hall.

As soon as Ed solved one teletype problem, another would arise. This kept Ed and Sandra in regular telephone contact. During these contacts, they discovered that they were both divorced, that their first marriages had occurred within a day of each other, and that they each had a daughter and three sons with similar ages.

They exchanged home telephone numbers and began writing each other.

Then, in October 1977, Ed and Sandra met each other for the first time.

Sandra's boss arranged a visit to the various Shell locations in Houston, including Westhollow and the DPMC. While visiting the DPMC, Sandra was taken on a tour of the complex which she describes as "so big, yet so friendly."

Needless to say, she also visited the Information Center where she met all of the people she talked with as part of her job responsibilities in El Paso. But, the highlight of the trip was meeting Ed, the technician who had kept the El Paso teletype machine functioning via telephone consultations.

Ed showed Sandra Galveston and took her to the Huntsville Rodeo. Then

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Don't Miss Out

OP-III Open House December 9

DPMC employees and their families (school age children only, please) are invited to attend the OP-III open house on Saturday afternoon, December 9.

The open house recognizes the completion of construction on the final project in Shell's Major Projects program which began in 1974.

The open house will be a continuous one, and guests can participate fully by arriving anytime between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. However, arrival after 4:00

p.m. will limit one's ability to participate in all of the scheduled events. Activity begins at the chemical cafeteria and includes displays, an audio visual presentation and a tour of OP-III.

In the event of inclement weather, the open house will be held the following day, Sunday, December 10, at the same time. A recorded message announcing any change in plans can be heard by dialing 476-6152.

Carpooling Pays Off

Carpooling paid off for four DPMC employees. They are the winners of the first two carpool drawings conducted by Employee Relations. Pictured right are the winners of the first drawing: Fred Holleman, counterman, and Jimmy J. Young, senior clerk. Winners of the second drawing, done by Y. M. Putman, Engineering Services inspector, were Phil W. Bohlmann, engineer, Plant Engineering, and B. B. "Sonny" Breaux, engineer, Process Control-Electrical.

The third drawing, according to Bobby Garrett, coordinator of the carpool program, is scheduled for December 8.



Employee & Retiree News Tidbits

Cinda Stipe, great niece of **Mary Faye Sherman**, analyst, Industrial Relations, was one of the outstanding sophomore engineering students selected by the Shell Foundation for Women's Careers for one of its \$500 scholarship

awards.

Cinda is a student at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge majoring in electrical engineering.

Similarities Merged

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he flew to El Paso for Thanksgiving and they got engaged. Ed visited El Paso again that winter; and the following spring (March 1978), Sandra flew to Houston. This time to check into houses and job opportunities.

Ed and Sandra were married July 16 and arrived in Deer Park on the 19th. Sandra started work at the DPMC in Medical on July 31 and is now working as a senior clerk in Invoice Processing.

In the meantime, she has a new husband, a new job, a new house and a new locale to get acquainted with. That's enough to keep her busy, don't you think.

Louis Richard, known to all of his friends at Shell as "Frenchy" before his September 1959 retirement as zone foreman in Maintenance North, was presented with a certificate of honor by the Veterans County Service Officer Association of Texas during its annual conference in San Antonio October 9-13. The certificate named Frenchy as the Outstanding County Service Officer in the Houston Region for 1978.

Frenchy is assistant county service officer of Colorado County, one of 29 counties in the Houston Region.

In a letter to commissioners court, Raul S. Casanova, president of the Association, said, "Mr. Richard has distinguished himself by conducting his office in a most professional and conscientious manner, exhibiting a grasp

of technical knowledge necessary to properly serve veterans, widows and their dependents of Colorado County. The commissioners court and the citizens of Colorado County are fortunate to be served by a service officer with the outstanding qualifications of Louis Richard."

Turkey Day Arrives



Financial accountants Guy Guerin and Scott Franklin smile in anticipation of all the Thanksgiving Day goodies prepared by the refinery cafeteria personnel.

Welcome To The Complex



Larry Mecom
General Helper
Maintenance North



Jack Moncrief
General Helper
Maintenance South



Allen Mott
General Helper
Maintenance North



Roy Muston
Engr. Inspector
Process Control/Elec.



Bradley Pertl
Welder No. 1
Maintenance North



Jessie Ross
General Helper
Maintenance South



Al Smelley
Machinist D
Maintenance North



Beverly Spiller
Typist
Resins Startup



Bob Steffen
Engineer
Pressure Equip.



Peggy Sykes
Office Secretary
Financial



Dale Taggart
Chemist
Q. C. Lab



Dave Turpin
General Helper
Maintenance South



Joe Valadez
Pipefitter D
Maintenance North



Jersey Van Cauwenbergh
Pipefitter D
Maintenance North



Stan Walker
General Helper
Maintenance North



Cliff Waters
Welder No. 1
Maintenance North



Debbie Weldon
Typist
Purchasing



Donna West
Clerk
Services-Mail

No Safety Shoes?

Shame On You

Some 1,500 safety shoes are sold yearly within the DPMC. That means over 2,000 employees are working without the benefits they offer. That's OK - unless a 10-pound pipe lands on your toes or a hammer dropped from a scaffold hits them.

Why take chances with your toes? They may be little; but when they hurt, you hurt. So, prevent injury to them and stay on your feet by buying a pair of safety shoes soon.

Visit the shoemobile between 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the refinery (north of the main shops and west of Purchasing's receiving station) on the first and third Wednesday of every month or in chemical (west of Purchasing's receiving station) on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month.

The shoemobile features a variety of styles and colors which may be purchased with cash or by payroll deduction.



Inside View

All dressed up from head to toe in protective clothing for a visit inside the pyrolysis fractionator at OP-III are Marilyn Williams, clerk; Patty Mayes, stenographer; Patsy Hernandez, clerk; and Debbie Bradley, stenographer. Tour guides for the very special occasion were Walter Harbuck, foreman, and Danny McNeill, engineer.

Long-time Employees Retire

Today is the last day for two long-time employees.

Earl Clark, 65, is retiring as an operator No. 1 in Aromatics-West with 29 years of company service.

He and his wife, Lovie, reside at 914 South Witter in Pasadena.

He and his wife, Nancy, reside at 4123 Long Grove Drive in Seabrook.



Clark



Whittle

H. G. Whittle, 65, is retiring as an operating assistant in OP-III with almost 33 years of company service.

Office Solves Tax Problems

Taxpayers who have been unable to resolve their tax problems through normal channels have another source

of help, the Internal Revenue Service advises.

Specialized assistance is available through the Problem Resolution Program (PRP) Office, which taxpayers can visit, or call toll-free for help on problems they've discussed with IRS personnel, but have not been able to resolve.

For example, problems or complaints concerning billing procedures, or the status of an individual's account, can be processed through the PRP, the

IRS notes. PRP employees aim to resolve the problems or complaints within five working days of receipt unless a delay is unavoidable. In such a

case, the taxpayer is given a status report and an estimated completion date.

PRP staffers do not handle Freedom of Information requests, complaints about IRS hiring practices, and Privacy Act inquiries. Neither can PRP employees change tax audit decisions, which are handled by an established appeals procedure.

PRP was tested in four cities during 1976 and, based on its success, expanded nationwide last year to handle more than 50,000 complaints.

The program also is designed to enable the IRS to identify problems in its procedures and take corrective actions.

There is a branch of the PRP in every IRS office.



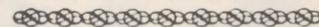
DECEMBER UP COMING EVENTS

- * BREAKFAST WITH SANTA 12/2
● (RESCHEDULED FROM 12/9)●
- * OILERS VS PITTSBURGH 12/3
- * VOLLEYBALL ENDS 12/4
- * CHRISTMAS DANCE 12/8
- * BOARD MEETING 12/13
- * FILM FESTIVAL 12/18
- * HOLIDAY 12/25
- * SQUARE DANCING 12/5, 12, & 19
- * BOWLING EACH THURS.

NOVEMBER EVENTS

DELIGHTFUL AT DELTA DOWNS

BIRD PARK WAS A BLAST



JOIN SCORA AND JOIN THE FUN

WATCH BULLETIN BOARDS FOR OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS ALSO FOR TIMES, DATES, ETC

FOR INFORMATION ON PUBLICATION OF SCORA EVENTS CONTACT BOB JOHANSEN-6433

Deaths

Donnie G. Barrow, operator No. 1, Catalytic Cracking, died September 24 at the age of 27.

Funeral services were held in Winnie with burial in High Island Cemetery.

Lawrence N. Mancuso, retired senior safety inspector, Safety, died November 9 at the age of 67.

At the time of his retirement in December 1973, Lawrence had almost 40 years of company service.

Burial was at the Forest Park Cemetery on Lawndale in Houston.

He is survived by his wife, Sadie Mae, who resides at 10622 Kirkdale in Houston.



Barrow



Mancuso

Classifieds

FOR SALE

Ping pong table, fold-up, roll-a-way, net, 2 paddles, excellent condition. \$45. 481-1184

1970 Maverick 2-door, good tires. 476-5268 or 479-2459

Antique chiffrobe and ladies desk. Tire on rim, G78-15. \$7.50 645-7928

6½' Canadian pine Christmas tree, easy to assemble. \$40. Naugahyde platform rocker, perfect condition. \$60. Portable GE stereo, 2 speakers. \$45. 6' redwood table, 2 benches. \$60. 649-1843

1977 Chevrolet Malibu Classic stationwagon, fully equipped, AM-FM tape deck CB radio combination in dash, luggage rack, 350 V8, 471-8187

9x11 carpet, gold, clean. \$25. 944-6556

1973 Plymouth Fury III hardtop, power, air, AM-FM radio. \$945. 944-6556

1975 Dodge Dart Swinger 2-door hardtop, 36,000 miles, fully equipped, 318 engine. \$2,500 firm. Floral Early American swivel rocker. \$55. Beige and rust open weave patio door drape. \$25. Hand made hook rug for wall hanging. \$20. 487-3588

Black male Pekinese, good with children. Afghan. \$50. 482-8604

1969 Chevy Impala. 479-2082

1973 Torino SW, 351, air, P-S-B, auto, AM, good threads. \$1,350. 273-1993

Garrett VLF Relic Hunter metal detector, like new. \$140. 481-6773

3-2-1 house in MacGregor Place off O.S.T., well kept, central air-heat, paneled den, carpets, fenced yard, utility house, pecan trees, one owner. Upper \$30's. 643-1428

1977 K-5 Blazer, 4WD, 4-speed, chrome spoke wheels, Monster Mudder tires, rough country suspension, brush guard, 5 KC spotlights, Kangaroo storage box. 472-5476

1977 Monte Carlo, P-S-B, air, AM-FM stereo, new tires, wire rims, one owner, 44,000 miles, excellent condition. \$4,800. 258-7847

1976 VW Dasher stationwagon, auto, air, AM-FM, new tires, excellent condition. 358-8673

1968 Chevy Bel Air 4-door sedan, P-S air, auto, good tires, runs good. \$300. 486-8447 after 5 p.m.

1973 Dodge Dart 340 ci, auto, P-S-B, mags, new tires and battery, 53,000 miles, good condition. \$1,550, 488-5583

1971 Dodge Cornett 4-door, SW, V8, air, auto, P-S-B, radio, 923-6885

1973 CB 175 Honda, 2 helmets, luggage rack. \$375. 471-0174 after 5 p.m.

Ruger 22 cal. convertible stainless steel pistol, like new. \$125. 487-0546

Remington 870 pump shotgun 12 gauge, 28" plain barrel, modified choke, 1 year old. \$150. 487-2485

Player organ, Kimball Swinger 580, excellent condition. \$800. 488-7517

1973 Cadillac 4-door. 2 new tires, good running condition. \$2,300 339-1656

1959 bus fixed for camping. \$1,000. 1974 Gremlin, 35,000 miles, auto, P-S, \$1,095. 479-3829

Contemporary sofa and 2 chairs. \$75. 479-2580 after 5 p.m.

1977 Ford F-100, custom wheels, Gem Top camper. \$4,800. 479-1039

New Spauling Executive 2-W clubs. \$175. S.E. Woods 1,3,4,5. \$75. New Mac Gregor customs 2-W. \$175. 1976 First Flight 2-W. \$125. F.F. Woods, 1,3,4. \$60. 946-0923

Complete 20-gallon aquarium set with fish. Gold cushion couch. King-size bed. 487-0917

WANT TO BUY

Ruger handguns, autos, single actions, Ruger drills, grips, parts, ash trays, old boxes. 926-2743 after 3:30 p.m.

Large AKC German Shepherd male, big boned, gentle, good blood line and confirmation. 446-9211

Remington bolt action 5mm rim fire rifle. 383-2049 after 5 p.m.

FOR RENT

New DP 4-2-2 home in Meadow Crest, built-ins. \$450 plus \$300 deposit. 471-6526 after 4 p.m.

FOUND

Color photographs of flange. Endura watch face. Claim in room 151 of refinery administration building.

PERSONAL

The family of Manly C. Breaker acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

—Mary Breaker

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