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Don't Forget

Daylight savings time begins Sunday, April 29, at 2 a.m. Set your clock ahead one hour before going to bed Saturday night.



Nurse Warren Davis takes Maintenance South pipefitter Otto Korge's blood pressure. This is just one of many duties performed by a DPMC nurse. G-400 operator Cathy Stone looks up from reviewing her logbook to catch up on what happened while she



was vacationing. During her bull gang days, Juanita Freeman worked with operators such as N.J. "Pee Wee" Ellis in Solvents and Treating.



Employees Enjoy Nontraditional Jobs

Finding a male performing a nontraditional job within the DPMC is like finding a needle in a haystack, while finding females in nontraditional roles is akin to rolling off a log.

The needle in the DPMC haystack is Warren Davis, a nurse in Medical. Warren says he always wanted to be in the medical field but didn't want the long hours associated with becoming and being a doctor. So, he opted for the registered nurse role instead.

It's a role that Warren finds appealing at it's never the "same old thing." There's always something new happening and it's impossible to second guess what you will have to deal with next.

Another plus is that his job gives him lots of empathy for his wife, Cynthia, who works at Bayshore Hospital. Both of the Davises, you see, are registered nurses.

If a compilation of females in nontraditional roles within the complex existed, it would read like a **Who's Who** at the DPMC. For example: There are several female engineers. Among them are Clo Laird, process manager, Alkylation, and engineers Sue Smith in Olefins, Carole Williams in Resins, Cindy Graham in Environmental Conserva-

tion and Peggy Cahill in Process Engineering.

Females in nontechnical, nontraditional positions now number in the dozens. They include "G" Department operator Cathy Stone, Utilities operator Susan Allison, Refinery Laboratory tester Lee Fuller and BD-HT operator Florence Bullard and Alkylation operator Ann Washburn.

Females in the crafts include instrumentman Juanita Freeman, insulator Vodice Ware and painter B.J. Schaefer.

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These are only a small portion of the females performing nontraditional jobs within the complex. A few, such as Ann Washburn, have been here for years, but the majority have joined Shell only within the past five years.

At least two of these left office jobs for the general helper classification. Juanita Freeman was a secretary in Engineering Field (now called Maintenance North) and Gwen Hicks was a clerk in the same department. Both

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Shellegram To Honor Graduates

As in past years, the **Shellegram** wishes to honor your graduating sons and daughters in the annual **Graduates' Issue** which appears the first Thursday in July.

If you have a son or daughter graduating from high school or college, send a picture (with the student's name printed lightly on the back) along with the form shown on page 3 to the **Shellegram** office by June 1.

Using the form, fill out the pertinent information: including high school or college, major, degree, school activi-

ties (please be brief), honors and future plans.

Don't forget to include your return address as pictures will be returned shortly after the **Graduates' Issue** is published in July.

Mail picture and information to the **Shellegram** office, send it through company mail or deliver it to room 151 of the refinery administration building. However you choose to do it, do it soon.

Deadline for receiving material is June 1.

You have six weeks.

Nontraditional Occupations

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Juanita and Gwen left their Selectric II typewriters and air-conditioned offices for working outside, in the shops or on the units. Neither regrets the change.

Juanita was recently promoted to instrumentman No. 1. Prior to that she worked in the Refinery Laboratory and in the "bull gang." Gwen, on the other hand, worked in the "bull gang" and at PXU before signing up for Lube B, where she is now an operator No. 1.

Other females came into operations or the crafts from other backgrounds.

Take G-400 operator Cathy Stone. Cathy had never seen the inside of a chemical plant before she reported for work at the complex. "I couldn't imagine what it was like - even though my friend, Jan Burnaman, told me about her job as an operator in Lube. I listened; and although I didn't really understand what Jan was telling me, I decided to give it a try."

Two weeks after submitting her application, Cathy became a Shell hand.

The things Cathy likes most about her job are being outside and inside and not being confined to a desk all day. She admits she isn't particularly fond of shift work, but she had done it before while working for the telephone company. One thing she is fond of and that's pay-day.

In the technical area of nontraditional occupations is Environmental Conservation engineer, Cindy Graham, who grew up knowing that engineering was an option as a career choice for her. She credits her parents for this awareness and feels their advice assisted her in choosing a chemical engineering career, which she really enjoys.

Employees in nontraditional occupations find them rewarding. Pay is one factor, but so are not being tied to a desk and having something new happening all the time.

The reasons for employees going into nontraditional occupations are as varied as there are employees. The most mentioned factor was money, then freedom to move about and interact with others. For those who left traditional-type jobs for their present nontraditional one, none regretted their decision. Soon, no doubt, the day will come when one won't be able to distinguish between a traditional occupation and a nontraditional one.



Environmental engineers Cindy Graham and Joe Lees discuss a few of the thousands of regulatory rules and regulations that companies like Shell must deal with daily.

Oil Industry Notes And Quotes

What Are the Odds?

What are the real odds for the success of a wildcat well in a new oil field? Well, based on the experience of 43,000 rank wildcats drilled between 1970 and 1977, the odds of coming in with either a 40-million barrel oil well or a 300-million cubic feet gas well are 1 in 1,732. During that same period, seven out of every eight rank wildcats drilled proved to be dry holes.

And speaking of dry holes, did you know that more than 50 dry holes were drilled in the North Sea before its success was proven?

Quotable Quotes

Deputy Energy Secretary John O'Leary describing current research activities at his own Department of Energy: "We have so many studies, the studiers don't know what they're studying."

The Tops in Brand Names

Shell gasoline, Timex watches, and Zenith color TVs are among the products Americans rate as the best, according to a recent poll.

The poll was conducted by R.H. Bruskin Associates, a marketing research organization in New Brunswick, N.J.

How Much - Do You Think

How much gasoline does the average motor vehicle use per year? Only 709 gallons - which means that each cent per gallon price increase costs the average motorist about seven dollars annually.

Pumps of the Future

Customers in Virginia Beach, Virginia, and Kingwood, Texas, are having gas pumped into their cars electronically. It's part of a testing program for new computerized dispensers. The electronic pump controls six hoses and can serve two customers simultaneously, a system which is much less expensive per hose to operate than the traditional mechanical pumps.

Measles Alert

Despite vaccination availability, the Houston area is experiencing another outbreak of Rubeola (big or red measles). Complications from Rubeola, such as ear infection, pneumonia and encephalitis, can be severe.

The group at current risk is the junior and high school age. Dr. Miles Davis recommends that those children vaccinated prior to 1968 and all those in whom parents are in doubt about vaccination status or prior illness be vaccinated as soon as possible.

For those without regular family physicians, free vaccinations are available at:

Houston
Sunnyside Clinic, 9314 Cullen
Riverside Clinic, 3315 Delano
West End Clinic, 190 Heights Road
Pasadena

Strawberry Clinic, 2223 Strawberry
To check on the hours these clinics are open, call 222-4288 (for Houston) or 477-6851 (for Pasadena).



**MAY 1979
UP COMING
EVENTS**

- * SQUARE DANCING _____ EACH TUES.
- * MEN'S SOFTBALL _____ EACH MON. & WED.
- * BOWLING _____ EACH THURS.
- * SCUBA DIVING _____ BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT
- * GOLF TOURNAMENT _____ 5/6
- * BOARD MEETING _____ 5/9
- * SPRING PICNIC _____ 5/19
- * HOLIDAY _____ 5/28

APRIL EVENTS

- BASKETBALL SEASON WAS A SUCCESS
- KIDS LOVED EASTER EGG HUNT
- MEN'S SOFTBALL GOING GREAT
- SCUBA MEETING WAS PROMISING
- FUN NITE WAS FUN (DESPITE THE RAIN!)



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
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Employee Tidbits

Environmental Conservation senior engineer Vince Moravek runs Boston Marathon. Technical manager Don Treat builds doghouse. Pat Bezdek, head mail clerk, Services, reminded of her "beehive" days. Process Engineering manager Ron Madsen shares roses. Phenol operator John Campbell's son places third in the senior division of the Houston Science and Engineering Fair. Claudia Cobler, E-R assistant, Salary Administration, samples anise waffle. Community Relations manager Bill Lafield puts out Shellegram with senior clerk Theresa Sandle's help.

LOFU operator J. Y. Cherry returns to Las Vegas again and again. Maintenance North foreman Willie Carlton does double time on first day. Automotive mechanic John Kindla seen sporting brand new sheriff's uniform. Retired master mechanic C. F. "Willy" Williams constructs furniture. Solvents and Treating foreman Al Sortino turns in lost keys. Environmental Conservation office secretary Betty Chambers engineers custom cabinet for microwave. Hydrocracking hourly relief foreman Rick Kelly rushes to the races. Retired Thermal Cracking pumper Johnny Sanders pays a social visit with no ballast on his person.

Engineering Support design draftsman Wilber Knowles writes Shell News a letter. Pressure Equipment secretary

Mary Palmer selects Pier 8. EP Sulfur shift foreman J.R. "Chief" Ensminger admits to agitating. E-R assistant, Scheduling, Rhonda Johnson lucks out. Administration secretary Maxine Wallace babysits African violets. Services supervisor Bob Long makes "state."



Rebecca and Karen Morris are photographed alongside daddy's "catch of the season." Daddy Boyce Morris, rover operator in Environmental Operations, caught the 49-pound, 44-inch Appaloosa catfish with a trout line in Cotton Bayou just off Trinity River.

Please Type Or Print Clearly

Graduate's Name _____

Employee-Parent's Name _____

Department _____

— Plant
— Refinery
— Retired

Parent's Address _____

School Graduated From _____

College-University Degree _____

In Field Of _____

School Activities-Honors _____

Future Plans _____

Attach photograph of graduate with name on back. Mail to **SHELLEGRAM**, P.O. Box 100, Deer Park, Texas 77536. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING MATERIALS IS JUNE 1.**

Classifieds

FOR SALE

20' Fishing boat, 1976 Center console, open bow with 135 O.B., stand up canopy, fath., depth finder, speedometer, compass, 50-gallon tank, 1200 gph bilge pump, big wheel, trailer, CB hook-up, low hours. \$5,500. 471-0868

1975 Plymouth Valiant custom, auto, air, AM-FM, P-S B, low miles, premium condition. \$2,275. 923-4921

1973 Impala stationwagon, all power, air, radio, nearly new tires. 334-2009

1976 Granada, maroon over silver, good condition, low mileage, vinyl top, V-8, power brakes and steering, AM-FM stereo, bench seats, priced to sell, 472-4141 - day, 472-8927 - night

Automotive analyzer, Sears best ("Penske"), Model No. 244.21033 with owners manual, used 3 times. \$75.00. Four good radial steel belted tires, GR 78x15, Goodyear, \$35.00 for all four. 455-7393

Ford Galaxie, 1962, 4 door, V-8, P.B., air, auto., good condition. 643-3801

Theatre type seats, fold-up cushioned seat with curved wooden backs, suitable for home, church or classroom. \$6.00 each. 452-0768

Huge Akai GX 630DSS 10" 4-channel reel to reel recorder with Quadra Sync. for professional results, 9 reels of tape included. \$750. 476-5382

1973 Cutlass, 350, automatic, air, power, 64,000 miles, one owner. \$1,100. 479-7925

Beautiful Spanish-style bar with hanging wall shelves, made of heavy hand carved cedar, 2 bar stools. \$500. Spanish-style round table and 4 chairs. \$75. 991-5803

1975 Malibu Classic, like new, 27,000 miles, air cond., PB, PS, AM radio, cruise control. \$2,950. Golden Retriever for stud service, pure bred, standard fee. 479-6228

19' Scat Craft boat, 105 HP motor and trailer, excellent condition, extra tanks, lifeguard kit, custom canvas cover. \$2,995. 334-5949 after 5 PM and weekends.

1973 20' Dodge "American Traveler" mini motor home, power plant, roof air and extras. \$6,450. 477-2483 after 5 p.m.

Dishwasher, Harvest Gold. \$35.00. 479-5018 after 5 p.m.

Star Craft Camper, 1978 Starflite-6, sleeps 6, used once, perfect condition, with canopy and other extras. \$2,175. Zenith 23" Color T.V. with stand. \$50.00. 472-5646

1975 Pontiac Firebird Espirit, vinyl top, P.S., P.B., automatic, AM-FM Tape - Rally wheels. 334-2878

Motorcycle, Chaparral 80 with Fujiengine ported and polished, super fast, ready for flat track. \$250. 479-7970

1939 Chevrolet, 2 dr., original 6 volt running, (4) chrome mag wheels and tires (2) V.W. adpt. 472-5196

1978 Honda Twin Star, 185 CC, 850 miles. \$800. 479-8027

14' Travel trailer, A.C, sleeps 4. \$1,000. (5) Water skis (two pair and one slalom). \$150. 472-5196

8' Patio door. 42" attic fan. Wooden screen door. 14 aluminum window screens. 472-2933

1973 Buick Century, P-S, P-B, air, 350 H.P. uses regular gas. \$1,750. 926-4063

Mediterranean bedroom suite, solid wood, triple dresser with mirror, chest, full or queen size headboard (mattress and box springs not included). \$600. Sears belt massager exercise machine. \$50.00 Yellow-gold-green full-size bedspread with two floor-length matching curtains. \$35.00 471-5711 after 5 P.M.

David Bradley garden tractor, all attachments. \$60.00. 487-0619 after 6 P.M.

Ten piece Thomasville bedroom furniture, Country French antique white w-green trim and Pennsylvania Dutch design twin beds w-headboards, dresser w-tri-view mirror, chest w-door hutch, corner desk w-shelf hutch, powder table, night table. \$800. 479-7038 after 4 P.M.

UKC Registered American Pit Bull puppies. \$150. 947-9568

1971 Maverick, 4 dr, 302 V-8, automatic, A.C. \$800. 22" lawnmower, 3.5 HP. \$40. 488-1086 after 5 P.M.

7' Contemporary gold velvet couch with matching chair, excellent condition. 482-6113

1 1/2 story, all electric house on lakefront at Sam Rayburn Lake, furnished 2 bedrooms upstairs, 2 bedrooms down, Franklin fireplace. \$21,500. 424-7698

FOUND

Brown leather men's gloves in Chemical parking lot. 8 keys on 2 rings at LOFU. Claim in Room 151, Refinery Administration Building.

PERSONAL

Please let me express my appreciation to everyone who contributed to the fun part of my retirement. The efforts are very much appreciated and will long be remembered. The gifts will always be special to me.

Nadine Evans

I wish to thank all those who contributed to my retirement. I am especially proud of the scroll, the handshakes and well wishes of everyone.

J. S. Locklin

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