

## Health And Safety: Concerns All Of Us

If you were to list those things which are important to you, health and safety would probably appear on your list.

Health and safety are important in the industrial work environment where each of us spends more than one-third of our waking hours. At the DPMC there are two committees which help to insure that matters relating to health and safety receive attention.

Safety is the number one priority in the complex. But like a chain, safety is only as strong as its weakest link. The Health and Safety Committees at the complex exist to help form stronger links in the safety chain.

The Health and Safety Committees assist in promoting safe and healthy working conditions and procedures. They encourage all employees to follow safe practices and make recommendations for safety improvement.

Encouraging all employees to follow safe practices is one important aspect of the committees. That's one of the reasons Roger DeRick, a chemical committee member, feels it is import-



The chemical Health and Safety Committee was represented at its September meeting by Roger DeRick, J. R. Cravey, Floyd Reitz, Jim Spradling and Carl Rogers. Other members and alternates include Herschel Graham, Ken Powell and Odis Chappell.



The refinery Health and Safety Committee was represented by Dale Johnson, Mike Anderson, Dorothy Curlee, Bob Ingram, Tom Skeahan and Loren Osburn at its recent meeting. Alternates include Pete Lanchak, J. W. Burks, J. B. Floyd and J. E. Smith.

ant for employees to come to the committee members rather than sit around and complain if they can't get a situation, which they feel is unsafe, corrected through their supervisor.

"The committee's primary purpose," says Bob Ingram, refinery committee member, "is to encourage a safe work attitude among all employees in the complex." He continued by saying, "The company is dedicated to providing a safe work place, and it is up to all employees to take advantage of this opportunity by working safely."

The DPMC has two Health and Safety Committees: One at chemical and one at the refinery. Each committee is made up of three hourly and three staff employees. The committees are presently comprised of representatives from operations, maintenance, the refinery laboratory, safety and inspection.

Both committees meet monthly to discuss health and safety issues and to

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conduct an inspection tour of an operating or maintenance area. During the tour, committee members list all potentially unsafe conditions. These are later submitted to the department involved for action. The remainder of the meeting is devoted to the suggestions or problems submitted by employees to any of the committee members. These topics are discussed with the usual result that the situation is brought to the attention of the appropriate managers for resolution.

The committee also issues monthly minutes summarizing the meeting. The minutes are distributed to all departments, committee members and bulletin boards. All employees are encouraged to read the Health and Safety Committees' minutes.

The items submitted by the Health and Safety Committee to the departments receiving the inspection tour aren't then forgotten. The department responds to each item by saying what has been done or will be done and usually by when.

"Something like a broken handrail gets fixed quickly and easily," said Jim Spradling, chemical committee mem-

ber, "things like releasing hydrocarbons to the atmosphere take much longer. At least 90 percent of the items listed are handled, but sometimes the items that I feel are the most important take longer than I think they should."

Several members felt they didn't have an adequate amount of time to follow up on all the things that needed to be done. However, it was agreed that 90 percent was a step in the right direction.

## Ten-And-Over Menu Planned



Committee chairman L. J. Hallmark (left) goes over the Ten-and-Over party menu with Jeff McNeill, manager of the Executive Club.

The Ten-and-Over parties are scheduled for October 1 (refinery) and October 15 (chemical) at the Sylvan Beach Pavilion in La Porte.

## Rufus Hopper Dies

Retired Utilities operator Rufus K. Hopper died September 11 at age 80.

At the time of his retirement in November 1954, Rufus had 24 years of company service.

He is survived by his wife, Maggie, who resides at 616 Ridge in Houston.

## St. Thomas Nursing Students Tour Medical Facility

Twenty-five sophomore nursing students from the University of St. Thomas, along with one of their instructors, Vera Lambert, toured the DPMC's 5,000 sq. ft. medical facility on September 15.

Upon their arrival, the students were split up into two smaller groups. Nurse Joan Evans took one group on a tour of the facilities while Dr. David Miller gave the other group a brief description of the types of treatment available and a rundown on the continuing preventive programs.

After a short break for coffee and donuts, the groups switched roles for a complete tour.

## General Manager Draws Winning SCORA Ticket



SCORA board member Burns Clare (right) held the box of 185 raffle tickets while general manager Gary Dillard drew the winning ticket. Winner of the free trip for two to Delta Downs in Vinton, Louisiana, was SCORA president Sandra Bradbury. The trip to Delta Downs was made September 17 and 18.

## SCORA News

SCORA will have a Board of Directors meeting Wednesday, September 28, at 2 p.m. in the chemical cafeteria conference room.

Any SCORA member is welcome to attend.

## Provident Fund News

The Provident Fund valuation is as follows:

EQUITIES FUND

August 31 - \$2.488

SHELL STOCK FUND

August 16-31 - \$30.608



## The United Way

Here are the United Way committee members for this year's campaign.

Kick-off meetings were held Monday, September 19, throughout the complex. Plans are for the campaign to run through September 28.

Goals are: complex - \$37,500, chemical \$37,000, and refinery - \$47,000.

Complex United Way committee members include: Seated, Janet Horn and Mike Patton.

Standing, Bob Strahan, Jerri Dromgoole, John Jefferson, Lynnette Burks and Doug Hobbs.

Absent was Ben Baldwin.

Chemical United Way committee members are: Kneeling, John Dever, Big Tom Thomas, Ed Hempel and C. B. Falk.

Middle row, Glenn Hesty, Loraine Carpenter, Charlie Russom, Carolyn Fyler, Mary Ann Foret, Mike Rudnicki and Dean Zurkammer.

Back row, Ed Stanfield, Paul McHenry, Lynn Reeves and Dick Lamb.

Committee members not present for photograph were: Jasper Gooch, Bob Goodmark, Karl Hansen and Glen Heasty.



Refinery United Way committee members are: Seated, Ray Crawford, Chuck Vasek, Clo Laird and John Carlson.

Standing, Jack Douglass, Chavel Rojas, Bob Johnston and Ronnie Garrett.

Absent were Bernie Ebert, Fred Dishaw, Grover Dunn, Linda Jenkins, R. E. Matkin, Jack Miller, Billy Parnell, Emmitt Drumgoole and Bill Marriott.



# Classifieds

## For Sale

LWB camper shell, paneled, shelved, lights. \$75. 455-0056

Remington 400 BDL 30.06 rifle with sling, never used. \$175. 485-4271

1973 Corvette 350, air, AM-FM stereo, custom paint, mags. \$5,495. 472-1995

Portable Maytag dishwasher, used 2 months. \$250. 471-6258

Two karate outfits (GI's), size 14 for girls. 479-5041 after 5 p.m.

19" color console, good working order. \$150. 479-2903

1975 Dodge Coronet Brougham, 25,000 miles, new tires, loaded, no rust, excellent condition. 941-9610 after 5 p.m.

Large Early American sofa, soiled but still good construction. \$15. 19" Toro mower, self-propelled, hard to start. \$10. 473-8720

Miniature Dachshund, black and tan, 4 months old, no papers. \$25. 427-8391 after 5 p.m.

3-2-2 brick home, formal dining room, fireplace, 6 years old, Clear Lake area. 488-5725

1973 Nova custom sport coupe, loaded, mint condition. \$2,700. 474-3370

1974 Ford Ranchero, 351 Cleveland, auto, air, AM-FM 8-track, P-S-B. 645-5953

1977 Reneghoe C-J-7 jeep, rust proof, dual exhaust, new Midas heavy duty shocks, 304 V-8 engine, Quadra-Trae Hi-Lo range transmission, PS, AT, AC, low mileage. \$6,800 or best offer. 668-4258

18' Travel Trailer sleeps 6, heavy duty axle, springs and wheels, new 8 ply tires, air, lots of other extras. Come see and make offer. 645-1044

Kenmore ceramic top oven, cont. cleaning, clock, used 3 months, still under warranty. 488-3314

Red-rust male Doberman, 1 year old, AKC registered. \$150 cash. 471-2592

1976 Charger SE 360 V8, 2 bbl, air, P-B-S, AM-FM radio, auto, Landau vinyl top, wire wheel covers, bucket seats, console shift, 17,000 miles. \$4,600. 645-7119

## Wanted

Boy or girl's 20" bicycle or one of each. 645-1044

## Personals

I sincerely want to thank the friends I have enjoyed so much through the years for their fine gifts to me on my retirement and especially those of you who planned and attended the dinner. You're beautiful people and I'll miss you!

- R. L. Fife

# Welcome To The Complex



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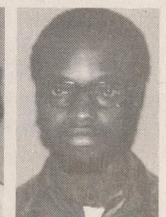
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