



## DPMC operators "sniffing" for leaks in new program

Operators throughout the Refinery are strapping on futuristic power packs and "sniffing" for leaks in their units as part of a state program begun last year at DPMC.

The operators point a black gun with a thin-nosed barrel at each valve in their unit to check for leaks. Slung on their side is an organic vapor analyzer, which measures the

valve for traces of escaping hydrocarbon vapors. The hardware looks like leftovers from "Star Trek."

All this work is part of the Fugitive Emissions Program, mandated by the Texas Air Control Board (TACB) last year. By the end of 1981, all valves in the Refinery had to be tagged and identified; this year, all those valves must be checked to make sure they

aren't leaking hydrocarbons. That means plenty of "sniffing" for Refinery operators — there are estimated to be 50,000 valves scattered throughout the Refinery.

Guy Matelli, an engineer in Environmental Conservation, is the Refinery Fugitive Emissions Program coordinator. He said that the TACB adopted regulations requiring each refinery in Harris County to monitor and repair leaking valves, pumps and compressors.

"The program is designed to control hydrocarbon leaks which are one of the causes of photochemical smog. For example," Matelli said, "certain chemical reactions that create smog cause a marked reduction in visibility and give the atmosphere a brownish cast." He added that about 25 percent of all emissions in the Refinery were from fugitive leaks.

The new program may be extended to the chemical industry in 1983, including the Chemical plant at DPMC.

Fugitive emissions is a fancy term for vapor leaks from valve packings and seals. Most of the leaks in the Complex are well below the federal guideline of 10,000 parts per million; the organic vapor analyzer can detect traces of hydrocarbon vapors down to a concentration of 10 parts per million.

Matelli said a record must be kept of every valve that is tagged and checked at the Complex. "The valves that are leaking more than 10,000 parts per million in volume that can't be fixed within 15 days must be reported to the TACB," he said.

When checking for leaks, the operator uses a long probe with a thin, tapered nose to "sniff" each valve. The probe, which has a telescopic extension to reach hard-to-get-to valves,



Terry Provorse, an operator in Aromatics West, is shown here testing valves in her unit as part of the Fugitive Emissions Program. She points the sensitive probe at each valve, and if it "smells" traces of leaking vapors, the reading will be displayed on the organic vapor analyzer at her side.

feeds vapor samples to the analyzer, which records any trace of leaking hydrocarbon vapors.

Rick Robinson, Aromatics West process manager, said his unit recently finished checking the valves in his department — about 3,500 of them. He said no major leaks were found, which is a comment on the unit's maintenance record.

Robinson said the program is designed to "fine-tune" pollution. We've done the big things to clean the air. The next phase is to check for small leaks," he said. "That takes a sensitive device, which is why you need the special detector.

"The idea behind the program is to capture any small leakage, and clean up the air around us," Robinson said. "We're primarily

checking for hydrocarbons like benzene, toluene, aromatics and solvents."

Jack Mitchell, training coordinator in Lube B, said the program is already showing some positive results. "The monitoring program has already paid for itself in Lube Operations," he said. "During the monitoring of fuel gas valves in Lube C, the organic vapor analyzer detected a fuel gas leak coming from a broken two-inch union."

Matelli, who has been at DPMC one year, said the program is off to a good start. "So far, we've discovered very few major leaks while monitoring, and most of these leaks have been repaired by just tightening the valve. The operators have done a conscientious job patrolling for the leaks," he added.

### Despite near-record total, DPMC misses 500-unit goal in Spring Blood Drive

Although the Complex failed to reach its lofty 500 unit goal, a total of 456 units of blood were donated during the 1982 Spring Blood Drive, held last month. That amounts to nearly 60 gallons of "the gift of life," or about two barrels worth of blood.

That number also marks one of the highest totals recorded in recent DPMC blood drive history.

Cary Wilkins, Spring Blood Drive coordinator, said 91 of the donors were walk-ins — people who weren't scheduled to give but showed up at the door anyway. "Those donations helped bring the percentages up," he said.

Several individuals were spotlighted for their generous donations. "Quite a few people reached the gallon mark in donations," Wilkins said. About eight units of blood equals one gallon.

The voluntary donations are the only way the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center in Houston receives the supplies it needs during emergencies. Last year in the Houston area there was a demand for 145,000 units of blood; that need is estimated to rise to 190,000 units this year. Every two minutes a unit of blood is used in the Harris County area.

"Shell employees can team together in a collective effort to help the community," Wilkins said, "and we can earn benefits for ourselves and our families." He said that Shell employees made 42 claims for blood last year, totaling 469 units.

For the last four years at least 25 percent of the employees at the Complex have participated in the blood drives. When 25 percent of all Shell employees in the Houston area donate, the benefits go to everyone. Donors receive credit on their hospital bill for the processing fee and the recruitment fee they and their families use. Non-donors are also credited for the recruitment fee, but must still pay the processing fee.

In 1981, Shell employees in the Houston area donated 13 barrels of blood — equivalent to 3,100 pints. That's an amazing total, but those big hearts will have to remain generous for the 25 percent goal to be reached in 1982. The Fall Blood Drive will make or break this year's goal, so we'll need your help again.

Thanks go to all those who gave "the gift of life" this spring. We'll look forward to seeing you again next fall.

## Hypertension remains a mystery to most people

At some time in our life, we've all had our blood pressure checked. We watched the nurse wrap the elastic band around our arm and inflate it tightly, then listened carefully as she told us it was something-over-something. But how many of us really knew what she measured, and what it all meant?

"Most people don't know what blood pressure is, creating a major health concern," said Dr. Jim Gross, DPMC assistant medical director. "Without understanding the problem there is no way to motivate people to do something about it.

"Many people confuse hypertension with hyperactivity, and that's wrong," Gross pointed out. "People with high blood pressure will say 'Thank God I'm not hypertensive,' without realizing that hypertension refers to their high blood pressure."

Hypertension, the medical term for high blood pressure, can be a confusing term. It doesn't refer to nervous tension. It doesn't mean we're excitable, or "hyper." It has a very specific meaning — a sustained elevation of the blood pressure.

Hypertension will be the focus of Health Awareness Week at DPMC, April 19-23. The week of special events and activities is designed to promote health awareness and disease prevention. Health Awareness Week is sponsored by a number of health agencies and the Shell Companies Foundation, Inc., which donated \$80,000 to make the event a success.

Throughout the week, the DPMC Medical Department will feature special activities, including free blood pressure testing for the families of Complex

employees from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. The annual Weight Loss Contest winner will also be announced during Health Awareness Week.

Not many of us consider high blood pressure a serious disease, but its effects can be tragic. Since there are no symptoms, you may not know you have a problem; in many cases, a stroke or a heart attack is the first sign of high blood pressure. "The silent killer" preys on all ages, too, young or old.

"If more people realized the consequences of hypertension, they would be more likely to participate in the management of a blood pressure problem," Gross said.

Blood pressure can be compared to the flow of water through a series of pipes. When the flow increases or the pipe narrows, the pressure builds. Pressure on the walls of the blood vessels, like the pipes, can affect the entire system in the same way the pressure rises within a garden hose when a nozzle is placed on the end.

Higher pressure on the blood vessel walls causes early hardening of the arteries and increases the deposit of cholesterol and other substances which can clog the vessels and cause strokes and heart attacks. The heart must also work harder to pump blood through the body, increasing the risk of heart or kidney failure.

According to recent studies, about 10 to 15 percent of us suffer from hypertension. The DPMC Medical Department recently found that about 15 percent of

Complex employees had high blood pressure. There is no cure for the disease, but it can be controlled.

At what blood pressure level would you find yourself with a hypertension problem? Naturally, it varies from person to person, but experts agree that a reasonable number is 150/90 or greater. The top number (the systolic pressure) measures the peak pressure when the heart is contracting. The bottom number (the diastolic pressure), and the more important of the two, reflects the constant pressure within the circulation. The systolic pressure normally rises with age, so a reading of 160 or 170 for a 70-year-old might be considered normal. But the diastolic pressure should remain steady, and under 90 for all ages.

A number of factors can influence blood pressure, including exercise, variations in salt and water intake, nicotine, caffeine and your own hormones and emotions. Since your blood pressure can vary, you should get it checked frequently and keep a record of it. By charting it over a period of time, you can find out if you have a hypertension problem.

"Hypertension requires as much patient participation as doctor participation," Gross said. "I've heard people say, 'Oh, my doctor is handling that for me.' The truth is that a doctor is severely limited in what he can do if the patient doesn't cooperate in a health management program."

In the Shellegram's next article on hypertension, we'll focus on what you can do to have an impact on your own blood pressure. Until then, get a check-up... before the "silent killer" creeps up on you.



## See ya later alligator

Spring in all its glory came to DPMC last month, and we all had the urge to get out and sunbathe. Even this alligator, who turned up at the outfall 3 pond at the HCU offsite. Earlier in the day, several folks who drove by the pond thought they noticed some suspicious eyes floating on the surface. When the sun broke through the clouds, the gator swam ashore to take advantage of the balmy weather. He was more shy than ferocious, slithering into the water before anyone could get close to him, but he did measure a respectable 56 inches. To prevent him from roaming further, several HCU operators relocated him — carefully — to the Ship Channel.



## Safety slogan of the month

Bill Polson earned a \$50 savings bond when he recently submitted the safety slogan of the month at the Cat Cracker. His slogan — "Safety Helps Employees Live Longer" — is a clever play on the company's name. Each month, the Cat Cracker Safety Committee determines the best slogan, and last month Polson's was voted the best. Helping him celebrate in the control room are, from left to right, Fred Hernandez, Greg Jones, Angelo Melendez, Polson, A. Mason and Florence Bullard.

# Shell News



### SCORA Bass Tournament results

A blast of winter weather chilled fish and fishermen alike in this year's SCORA Bass Tournament, held recently at Lake Livingston. The cold, windy weather washed Spring away, but 16 hardy fishermen braved the elements to compete in this year's tournament.

The \$100 first prize went to Jug Bennett, a welder in Maintenance North, and his wife Donna. The total combined weight of their catch for the day was five pounds, 13 ounces. Two people fished per boat and counted bass that exceeded the 12-inch minimum length.

Charlie Barnhart, who along with his partner Steve Nelson tied for second, caught the biggest bass of the day at four pounds, four ounces. He won \$56 for his top catch. George and Mike Needham tied with Nelson and Barnhart for second place at five pounds, 12 ounces.

The rest of the standings shaped up like this. Roy Henson, Maintenance North, and Charlie German, Thermal Cracking, placed fourth at five pounds, eight ounces.

Herman Akers and Mike Copeland, both of Maintenance South, placed fifth at five pounds, six ounces.

Ken Love and Steve Bailey, both of Maintenance North, finished sixth at two pounds, 14 ounces.

Walter Brumley and Andy Cavender, both riggers at Maintenance North, finished just out of the money at two pounds, 9 ounces. Unfortunately, they had a bigger fish in their catch that would have moved them up in the standings, but it apparently opened the trap door in their basket and swam to freedom. They'll have to wait till next year to catch the one that got away.

### Baytown language student honored

Tammy Rincon, daughter of Eddie Rincon, a Purchasing Assistant in Material Control, was recently named an International Foreign Language Award Winner — an honor bestowed on only one-half of one percent of foreign language students. Tammy, a sophomore at Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown, will have her personal biography printed in the 1982 U.S. Achievement Academy Awards Yearbook. She'll also be eligible to apply for a USAA college scholarship.



### Shell Explorer withdraws from Alsands

Shell Explorer Ltd., a subsidiary of Shell Oil Company, has withdrawn from the \$11 billion Alsands synthetic oil project in Alberta, Canada. Shell Canada Ltd., another Shell subsidiary, remained a partner in the Canadian venture.

Shell Explorer cited financial reasons in withdrawing its 20 percent stake from the consortium of international energy companies. Amoco Canada Petroleum Company and Chevron Standard Ltd., also left the project in February.

The project is designed to extract high-quality oil from Canadian tar sands. Alberta has some of the richest deposits of tar sands in the Western world.

# Time is coming to honor this year's graduates

Clip this form and include a photograph of graduate.

The Shellegram will honor the graduating sons and daughters of Complex employees and retirees in the annual Graduate's Issue, which will be published in July.

If you have a son or daughter graduating from high school or college, send a photograph (with the student's name lightly printed on the back) along with the graduate's form shown to the right to the Shellegram office in the North Cafeteria. The deadline for submitting the forms and photos is Friday, June 4, 1982.

Please include your return address so pictures can be promptly returned once they're published. The form and photograph can be sent by company mail or delivered in person to the Shellegram office in the North Cafeteria, or mailed to the Shellegram, P.O. Box 100, Deer Park, Texas, 77536.

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## Work continues during the plant's annual shutdown

# Phenol Acetone Plant gets a well-deserved rest



Robert Kibby, an operator in the Acetone Plant, checks this valve as part of the shutdown in the Phenol Acetone Plant. Operators began shutting down plant operations in March, and maintenance work will continue on the equipment through April.

The Phenol Acetone Plant, one of the world's largest, is taking a two-month vacation while inspection and maintenance work is completed during the annual shutdown.

Operators began shutting down the unit in March, marking a one-year run for the sprawling Phenol Acetone Plant. After a well-deserved rest, the unit will start up again May 3.

About \$600,000 worth of work will be done to the unit — from replacing worn valves to modifying the plant as a whole. Operators, inspectors and maintenance crews will work

together to prepare the unit for its next long run.

Bob Awe, LPA Superintendent, said that this shutdown wasn't scheduled until August. "But by shutting down now, we hope to take advantage of the economic slowdown and complete our maintenance work while business is weak. Hopefully, we can skip the maintenance shutdown scheduled in August and run for 15 months instead of a year."

Awe said that current plans call for running the plant at high rates for several months to fill its inventory, then

shutting down to conserve utilities. "We could run year-round at low production rates, but it would be very inefficient," he said. "Instead, we run fast to build up the inventory, and block out production while we shut down."

The Phenol Acetone Plant uses benzene and propylene as feed stocks to produce phenol and acetone. Part of the phenol is used as feed stock for bisphenol acetone (BPA), which is also produced at DPMC. The remainder is sold to other companies where it is used as a raw material in the production of industrial chemicals. Phenol and phenol-derived products are used in everything from aspirin to the linings of soft drink cans. Acetone is commingled with material produced in the IPA-DMK facilities at the Complex and sold as an industrial solvent.

The unit is composed of two operating departments and is staffed by about 50 people, including 35 operators and 10 shift foremen. It's their job to shut the unit down, decontaminate it and prepare it for maintenance work — and have it back on-line by early May.

Here's how the eight-week shutdown breaks down. During the first week, operators shut the plant down and stop production. The next week is used to decontaminate the equipment. When that is completed, a month of maintenance activity begins. The final two week period is reserved for start-up, which is just as critical as the shutdown.

Gerry Garcia, Phenol Acetone process manager, said that once the unit is down, it must be deinventoried and

decontaminated before the work begins.

"We have to prepare all the equipment on the unit for maintenance," he said. "If a column is full of material, it must be deinventoried or isolated for work to be done safely on adjacent equipment. We decontaminate the vessels by washing them with cumene, demineralized water and steam. This reduces the chances of chemical exposure when maintenance work begins."

Garcia said most of the scheduled maintenance work is routine. "We'll open a column or a vessel and inspect it, and make repairs or modifications based on what

we find. We'll repair or replace old valves and put in some new pipe to replace clamps that were installed during the run," he added.

Awe said the key to the shutdown was to complete the activities safely and avoid contaminating the environment with process material when the equipment is being decontaminated. "It's a very intense effort on the part of everyone involved," he said.

The two-month period is all the time the Phenol Acetone plant will have to rest. By the first week of May, the plant will be off and running on what DPMC hopes will be a 15-month run.



Life has its ups and downs. Here, operator Dennis Boren slowly cranks this valve atop an oxidizing column in the Cumene unit, during the Phenol Acetone Plant shutdown. About \$600,000 worth of work will be done to the plant before it rolls back on-line the first week in May.

## Tax rates, assessments will determine your property taxes

Joe and Sam are neighbors. Joe's house is five years older than Sam's, but both are about the same size and in good shape. Yet Sam pays much more in property taxes than Joe.

This situation is not unusual in Houston. Homeowners have been paying property taxes on an unequal basis for years because of an irregular appraisal system used to value homes in Harris County. Houses side-by-side, comparable in market price, may not be equitably taxed because they were appraised at different times.

As a result, some homeowners pay less than their fair share in property taxes. "But this will soon change under the Texas Property Tax Reform Act," said Walt Beyer, manager of the Property and Excise Tax Department-Head Office. "When homeowners receive their reappraisal notice in March or April, everybody's property should be at current market value and equitably appraised in relation to his neighbor's."

The act, passed in 1979, calls for all property in the state to be assessed at 100 percent of its market value. In the past, properties were assessed on a fractional basis (Harris County — 32 percent, City of Houston — 53 percent) of their appraised or market value.

The act also provides for a central appraisal district in each county which will combine all other jurisdictions, or districts, and make one evaluation of all property. Prior to this new law, there may have been as many as five different appraisals on a single parcel of land, establishing as many as five different fair market values for tax purposes.

This means that everyone, regardless of where they live or how long they've lived there, will have their homes reappraised at the current market price for that particular model and location of house. This single value will be the basis for all property taxes levied against the property.

Although payments will continue to be made to the separate districts, the new law provides for an optional method of tax collection. This option, due to be phased-in later, allows for payment of total taxes to one collector.

"For this property-tax restructuring to work smoothly and efficiently," said Weldon Gordon, manager, Southern Tax Region-Head Office, "a country-wide

reappraisal of all residential, commercial and industrial property must be made annually, as required under the new legislation. Homes that have not been revalued since they went on the tax rolls will be brought in line with current market values. The result will be equal property taxes for all homeowners, as well as businesses and industries."

Due to the size and complexity of Harris County, special legislation was passed to allow a gradual phase-in of the central appraisal district. This year, the City of Houston and the Houston Independent School District will become a part of the central appraisal district, and all properties will be reappraised. Districts next to the City of Houston and HISD will be brought into the central appraisal district the following year. On January 1, 1984, all remaining jurisdictions, such as La Porte, Deer Park and Harris County, will be included in the central appraisal district.

The City of Houston tried, in the past, to reappraise property. In 1978, an ordinance was passed freezing land and improvement tax values until a complete reappraisal could be done. After unsuccessful attempts by the city tax department, an independent appraisal firm was hired to revalue all property within the city limits for the 1982 tax roll. A notice showing square footage and type of structure for each house was sent to its owner for approval. This information is being used to assign a current market value to the property. Property taxes will be determined from this appraised value.

"Although the appraised value of your house may go up," Beyer said, "your property taxes may not. Along with the market value of a home, the tax rate determines how much you pay."

"The tax rate is computed from the total appraised value of property within the district and the district's budget. By dividing the budget by the total tax base, which is all appraised values totaled together, the district establishes its tax rate," Beyer pointed out. "For example, if a city needs \$10 million for operations and it has \$2 billion worth of values, dividing the two will provide a tax rate of 50 cents for each \$100 of property taxes."

Gordon said, "The budget that a district sets is really

the critical factor as to how much a homeowner is going to pay. A district should not collect more money than it needs to operate. Therefore, each taxpayer should be concerned with the budget and make sure the budget is not inflated because of the extra tax revenue potentially available as a result of this reappraisal program."

To soften the blow, voters approved a constitutional amendment in 1981 which allows all taxing jurisdictions to grant a homestead exemption to a maximum of 40 percent of the value of the home. This means that each taxing jurisdiction may exempt up to 40 percent of the value of a home from property tax, beginning in 1982.

Under this amendment, the homestead exemption would remain at 40 percent for three years, then drop to 30 percent for the next three years. Eventually, the exemption would decrease to 20 percent and remain there as guaranteed under the Texas Constitution.

This homestead exemption is not required by law, and it is up to the governing body for each jurisdiction to grant the exemption, which can be as high as 40 percent.

Beyer explained that industry will not be affected by this property-tax restructuring as much as homeowners because industry is usually appraised annually. Therefore, industry's assessed values are much closer to the current value than that of residential owners.

"There is no question that Shell has paid its fair share of taxes in Harris County," said Beyer. "Last year the company's total tax liability was \$28,400,000. Based on county assessments, Shell has the second highest property valuation within Harris County."

"Shell favors this restructuring because it's a lot easier to work with one appraisal district rather than several districts appraising the same property," added Gordon.

The benefits of the Texas Property Tax Reform Act may be summed in one word — equity. "In accordance with the new law, equitable property tax assessments will be made for everyone. Homeowners may rest assured that they are paying only their fair share," said Beyer. "They also may rest assured that business and industry will be treated likewise, and as a result, will look favorably upon such a location for doing business knowing they will be treated fairly in taxation."

# Classifieds

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1979 Dodge D-50 Pickup. 55,000 miles. New tires, bucket seats, air, AM-FM, five speed. Excellent condition. \$3,200. Call 422-7096 after 7 p.m.

1975 Plymouth Valiant. Four-door, automatic, air, full power. New battery, good tires. \$1,800 firm. Call 479-2246.

1976 Dodge 3/4 ton Van. Air, radio, fully carpeted with sofa bed. \$2,900. Call 487-9203.

1981 Silverado. V-8 with short bed, cruise, mags. Air, full power, sliding rear window. Call 476-1538.

Ford 3000 Tractor. 47 horse diesel with middle buster, plow, disc, box blade and mower. \$5,495. Call 455-7393 or 324-1169.

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Sears electric weedeater. 3/8 horse trimmer and variable speed electric blower. Used one summer. Both for \$60. Call 476-9263.

Attic and wall insulation. Call 476-4934.

Two aluminum windows, 40 by 60 inches. \$20 each. Call 476-1538.

Set of Wilson 1200 golf clubs. Includes four woods, nine irons, bag, cart and extra balls. \$375. Call 479-7243.

Scottie puppies. AKC registered with champion lines. Eight weeks old with shots. \$250. Call 477-3745.

9,345 sq. ft. lot at Sam Rayburn. Near water and golf course. Cash or will finance at 7 percent interest with down payment. Terms negotiable. Call 473-7020.

Deer Lease. Need two or three men year-round. Excellent deer, wild turkey and good fishing. Call 512-868-4581.

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## WANTED

Recreational vehicle that sleeps six for two weeks in August. Call 723-8995.

Carpooler for Baytown area. Hours 7:45 to 4:15. Non-smoker please. Call Sharon at extension 6481.

Roommate wanted to share three-bedroom house in Pasadena. \$200 plus half of utilities. Call 473-2215.

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Galvanized clothesline poles in concrete. You dig! Call 941-3906.

## GARAGE SALE

Garage sale at 8818 Beechaven in Brookglenn in LaPorte. April 8 and 9 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 479-2895.

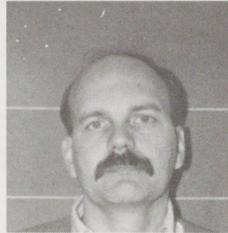
## PERSONALS

We extend our special thanks and appreciation to all of the men who served as honorary pallbearers for Raymond White. Your friendship meant so much to him, and he always looked forward to seeing you at the Shell dinners. Athalia White, Tom White, Ann Bailey

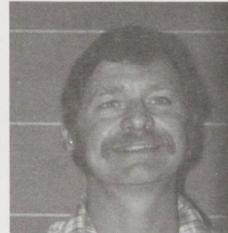
I want to express my sincere appreciation to all of my Shell friends for the lovely retirement party. The pearls and earrings are beautiful; however, the scroll is priceless. I enjoyed my many years with Shell and especially the close association with my friends. I will continue to live in this area so please keep in touch. Friends are a person's greatest asset.

Edna Earl Heyen

# Welcome to DPMC



Nigel Curlet  
Process Mgr.  
Cat Cracking  
Trans. in Feb.



R. L. Dean  
Sr. Inspector  
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Hired in Feb.



Estelle Jules  
Sr. Draftsman  
Eng. Support  
Hired in Feb.



Leslie Palmer  
Analyst  
Gen. Services  
Hired in Feb.

## Oldtimer's Celebration

The Shell Oldtimer's Club will celebrate its 24th anniversary Friday, April 16, at 11 a.m. at the Marriot Astrodome Hotel. All former Roxana-Shell employees and their spouses are invited to the party. April 13 is the deadline for reservations, so call now. You can make hotel reservations by calling toll-free 1-800-228-9290. For more information, call R.M. Horrocks at 782-6912.

## Fun Runs

The Diamond Shamrock Running Club is sponsoring a five-mile race on Saturday April 17 at 8 a.m. at its Battleground Plant.

The entry fee is \$5 per person. Participants can register in advance or on race day. For further information, call Robin Dochen at 476-1431.

The Deer Park Parks and Recreation Department and Handy Dan Homecenters will sponsor a fun run on Saturday, May 1, at 8 a.m. The 10 kilometer (6.2 mile) race will start and finish at the north campus of the Deer Park High School.

Entry fee is \$3, and the first 400 people to register will receive a free t-shirt. Entry blanks are available in the Shellegram office in the North Cafeteria. For more information, call the City of Deer Park at 479-3002.

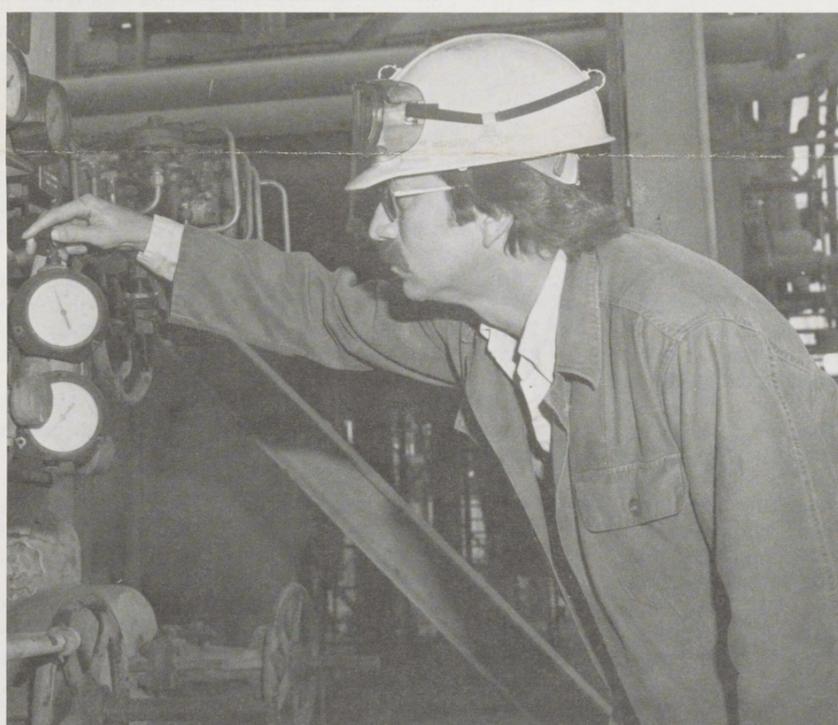
## SCORA elects 1982 officers



SCORA recently named its 1982 officers. From left to right, are Susan Sweny, South Administration, the new secretary; Doc Laskie, South Machine Shop, the new president; and Jerril Dromgoole, South Administration, the new vice-president.



New SCORA Board members include, in the back row, from left to right, Gerry Olivo, Product Accounting; Mike Akers, Maintenance North; and Eddie Gaines, Maintenance South. In the front row are, from left to right, Mary Breaker, Computer Applications; Pam Olivo, South Shops; and Doug Teschendorf, Maintenance South.



Larry Edwards

The Shellegram is published each week for the purpose of informing and recognizing pensioners and employees like Larry Edwards, an operator in A Department. Larry has worked at the Complex since April of 1976.

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