



# Shellegram

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**Wishing you and yours a happy holiday season**

# DPMC sparkles with Christmas spirit, holiday cheer



Everyone around the Complex was busy preparing for Christmas, and the trio pictured above was no exception. They were even dressed appropriately for the festive occasion. From left to right, are Lois Guthrie, safety clerk, Safety South,

Hugh Berry, Jr., scheduling analyst, and Valerie Thompson, office assistant, Security. They all helped decorate the halls and doorways in the South Security Building, including this tall tinsel Christmas tree. Berry got in the spirit by sporting an over-sized bow tie Santa would have been proud of.



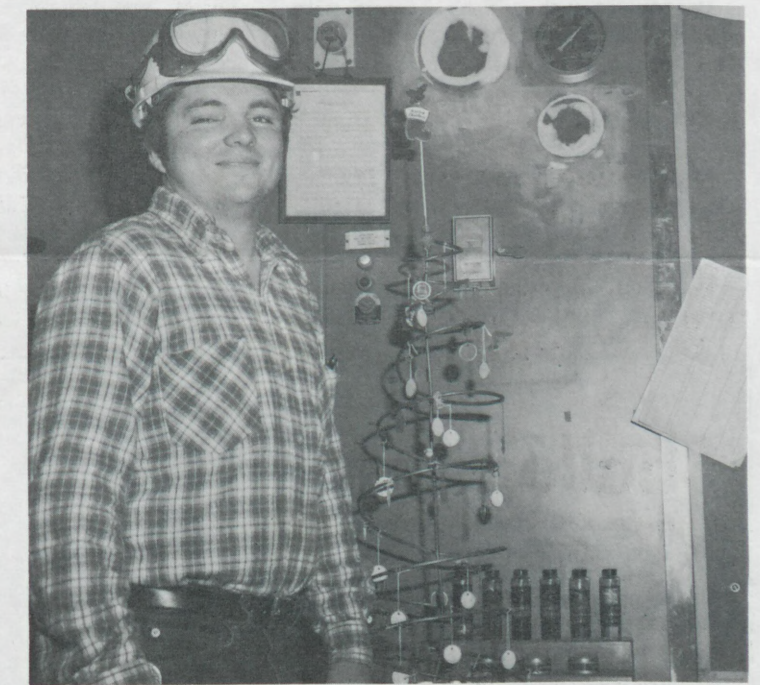
Old St. Nick made his seasonal debut at the SCORA Children's Christmas Party in Deer Park on Dec. 5. The crowd cheered when Santa walked in, brushing the North Pole snow off his bright red coat. After he ho-ho-hoed, Santa (who looked like Chester Guidry, electrical foreman, Maintenance North, without the long, white beard) listened carefully to each child's Christmas wishes. Above, Amy Morris, daughter of Wayne Morris, Safety Inspector South, told Santa what she'd like this year for Christmas.



Gilles Rideau, technical illustrator, Mechanical-Graphics, added his own touch to this year's Christmas decorations. Rideau, above, made a colorful set of illustrations depicting the Twelve Days of Christmas. The DPMC draftsman also designed the Christmas cover for the Shellegram, which youngsters may want to color.



The lovely Christmas wreath pictured above was hand-made by Roland Deardorff, seated, and his wife Betty. Admiring the holiday decoration are, from left to right, Chris Barlow, satellite files, Dawn Buffington, secretary, and Doreen Armstrong, secretary, all of West Operations. Deardorff, training coordinator, Solvents and Treating, said the colorful wreaths are easy to make. To find out how, turn to the story on page 4.



Some of the most unique Christmas decorations around the Complex this year were in the Cat Cracker control room. Above, Steve Nelson, operator, Cat Cracker, flanks this spiral Christmas tree made of copper tubing. The artistic tree was decked with a variety of tiny ornaments, including a miniature Lone Star state and a miniature Houston Oller's football helmet.

## The spirit of Christmas...

May the serenity and peace of the Christmas season fill your hearth and home during the Yuletide.

# Classifieds

## FOR SALE

1980 Kawasaki KZ-750. 4,000 miles. Rack and helmet included. \$2,200. Call 943-2668.

1975 23' Open Road Motor Home. Class A — has everything. Low mileage. Chevrolet chassis. \$9,000. Call 452-4963.

14' fiberglass boat. Trailer and 30 h.p. Johnson motor. \$495. Call 473-1274.

20" Huffy girl's bike. Good condition. \$30. 20" Murray dirt bike with center shock. \$35. Call 444-5437.

Honey extractor. \$130. Call 471-3008.

Shotgun reloading equipment. 12 ga, 16 ga, and 20 ga shot. Shells, powder, primers, wads — everything. \$200. Call 666-4726.

Wurlitzer 2 Keyboard Funmaker with foot pedals. Italian Provincial. Like new — original cost \$1,995. On sale for \$1,095. Call 444-5437.

Maple dining table and six chairs. One captain's chair. \$350. Call 339-1656.

6' back-drawers. Black tufted vinyl. \$90. 6' pencil castus. \$65. Heavy-duty shower doors. \$30. Call 472-5988.

Half-Lab half-English Setter puppies. Seven weeks old. Have been wormed once and have had distemper shot. \$25. Call 481-3361.

10-year-old P.O.A. pony. Gentle with children. \$300. Two-horse trailer with new tires. \$650. Call 471-0842.

## FOR RENT

Three-bedroom brick house. Double-car garage. Central heat and air, kitchen built-ins, den. Located in Pasadena. Call 479-8384 after 1 p.m.

Four-bedroom two-bathroom house. All electric. Lomax-LaPorte area. \$550 a

# These holiday wreaths add a special touch to Christmas



Roland Deardorff, training coordinator, Solvents and Treating, and his wife Betty, have a green thumb when it comes to adding a unique touch to the musty, dusty Christmas decorations stacked in the attic. Each year around Labor Day, the Deardorffs begin making thick, green Christmas wreaths, studded with pine cones, berries and fruit.

By the time Christmas rolls around, the Deardorff residence is usually filled with greenery. They make wreaths for family and friends, and they also decorate a bank in northeast Houston. This year, Deardorff brought several of the wreaths to his office, and now they're hanging in the West Operations Building.

The Deardorffs have been designing the wreaths for years, but they got started "mass producing" them six years ago when they agreed to decorate a local bank. Mrs. Deardorff had arranged dried flowers before, so the knack to create the colorful wreaths came naturally. Deardorff said his wife enjoys her artistic hobby, but she won't give up her job as a sixth-grade math teacher to spend more time designing Christmas decorations.

The holiday wreaths are easy to make, and don't require a lot of time or expense. The first step is to wrap a large styrofoam ring in brightly-colored ribbon. Then, the long stems of greenery, available in any florist shop, are arranged around the ring, filling out the wreath. Small pine cones, berries, fruit, or even wrought iron candle holders can be added for variety.

month plus deposit. Call 424-1152.

## NOTICES

D.J. "Eric" Erickson's retirement party has been changed from Tuesday, Dec. 29. to Wednesday, Dec. 30.

### Christmas Check-ups

There's a Christmas gift this year at DPMC you can give yourself. All employees with three or more years of company service are eligible for a free voluntary physical examination.

Complex employees who have had a physical exam since 1979 will be automatically notified when it is time for their next exam. However, if you have not had one and wish to participate, call Sharon at 6431 for details. Those already participating in any of the special exam programs need not call.

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