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SERA HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING:
REVIEWS PAST YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

The SERA held its Annual Meeting May 25, at the Chemical Plant Cafeteria. Present were officers and directors of the SERA who reviewed for the membership present the activities of the past year and outlined the program for the coming year.

A proposed budget of nearly \$40,000 was announced by President J. F. Lee, who listed the activities sponsored by the club, including bowling, basketball, golf, dances, gun and skeet, the style show and the annual picnic.

In reviewing the budget for the coming year, Business Manager C. E. Salter emphasized that the allocations of monies to the various activities are based on the number of members participating.

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Pick A Prize...Janice Fortune, six-year old daughter of the Chemical Plant's W. L. Fortune draws the names of door prize winners at the Annual SERA Meeting as J. F. Lee (seated) and R. O. Skillestad look on. At the right are the winners: Mrs. W. L. Fortune, H. W. Morey, Skippy Lee, J. H. Connolly, and J. C. Chambers.

HOUSTON SHELL CHEMICAL PLANT PRODUCES
ALCOHOLS FOR BIOLOGICALLY SOFT DETERGENTS

Primary alcohols for the manufacture of biologically soft detergents are available now from Shell Chemical Company in semi-commercial quantities, R. C. McCurdy, President, reports. F. E. Caddy, Houston Plant Manager, said a full-scale production facility will be completed there in early 1965.

Substantial scientific and technological contributions by Shell Development Company's Research Laboratories resulted in the development of the unique process for these primary alcohols designed to fulfill the needs of the detergent industry. Extensive tests have shown that surfactants made from these alcohols are equivalent to natural coconut alcohol derivatives in both biodegradability and performance when used in dishwashing and laundry products.

"In view of the favorable economics of our new process and the relative stability of supply and price of synthetic as against natural materials, we believe these synthetic primary alcohols will find broad application in the detergent industry," McCurdy said.

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GWENDOLYN GIBSON FINALIST
IN QUEEN CONTEST AT SCHOOL

Gwendolyn Gibson, 16-year old daughter of the Refinery's R. L. Gibson, was a finalist recently in a contest to select the queen of Evan E. Worthing High School. One of three girls to make the final round, Gwendolyn was presented in a pageant of four scenes in the school auditorium. Gwendolyn returns to Worthing next year as a senior, and although she did not win the top honors this year, she is proud to have been selected by her classmates to compete.



GWENDOLYN GIBSON

SERA ANNUAL MEETING (continued)

As in the past, a major SERA effort is directed toward maintaining and improving the facilities of Shellwood - since it is here that most members and their families can enjoy the benefits of their membership. "The grounds are in the best condition in history," Lee reported. Among the improvements made in recent months at Shellwood are: addition of a covered patio and restrooms at the club house, rebuilding of the dam to contain and enlarge the lake on the grounds, and repairs to the swimming pool change houses.

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FOREIGN MAPS AVAILABLE

Shell folks whose vacation plans include a trip abroad may be interested in knowing that a supply of travel maps of different countries in Europe has been received and is available at the receptionist desk in the lobby of the Main Office Building.

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W. R. KNOWLES NAMED PRESIDENT
OF SAN JACINTO PTA

W. R. Knowles of the Refinery Engineering Office has been elected president of the San Jacinto Elementary School (Deer Park) Parent-Teachers Association. Knowles term of office begins with opening of the schools in September.

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SERA BOWLING NOTES

Marilyn Sommer continued to set the pace for the women in the Shell Mixed Bowling League as she recorded a high game and series of 206-525. Al Hart, for the second straight week, turned in the high game for the men - 200, and Herschel Mann put together the top series - 513.

The Jokers and Alley Cats moved into a two-way tie for first-place, each recording three-point victories. The Jokers topped the Mixers on high game and series scores of 707-1986, while the Alley Cats took the measure of the Woodchoppers.

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FOR SALE: In Beautiful El Lago Estates, overlooking Taylor Lake; custom designed and built 4 bedrooms, large den, fire place, living and dining rooms; boat house and lift, dock. For appointment to see, call Kemah 877-4064 or Houston WA-8-2511, extension 641.

FOR SALE: Camera for vacation...Kodak Poney 35 mm with leather carrying case. Takes excellent color slides as well as black and white photos. \$15. Call MI-4-4298.

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