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Machinist Has A Dream

To Sail Around World Is His Goal In Life

Many dream of doing something different - getting out of the rut of routine-ness that surrounds their daily lives like a heavy, out worn cloak. Few, however, set their dream as the major goal in their life.

Sandy Lawrence and his wife, Charlotte, are among those few, who are willing to devote their spare time and energy toward seeing their dream become a reality.

It all started sometime in 1973 or 1974 when Sandy, who had never sailed before in his life, decided that he wanted to sail around the world. He sought Charlotte's approval. And, he says, she didn't take much convincing.

Both Sandy and Charlotte love the water - even if they hadn't sailed before. Sandy's love affair with the water began during his Navy diving years and continued during the years he dove commercially before coming with Shell in October 1971.

The Lawrences had taken several trips to the Bahamas and the Florida Keys before making their decision to sail around the world: A decision which marked the beginning of several life-style changes. The major change occurred when they sold their three bedroom, two bath, two car garage home in League City to live aboard a 41-foot Gulfstar sailboat. Named Carlota II, Spanish for Charlotte, the Gulfstar was equipped for living aboard. It had a kitchen, bath, living area and a full-size bed. Still, there was a big difference in the amount of living space, let alone going from a house built on land to one gently bobbing upon the water's surface.

The Lawrences lived aboard the Gulfstar for 14 months. During this time, they joined the Lakewood Yacht Club, primarily to secure the slip of its former owner. "Slips are hard to come by," said Sandy, "and they are a must for a 41-foot boat."

Being a member of the yacht club has other advantages as well. Not only is a yacht club member able to fully participate in the sailing activities of his own

club, but he may participate in those of any yacht club in the world as they have reciprocal agreements.

Living aboard the Gulfstar provided the Lawrences an intimate understanding of how it would be to live a-

should get rough.

As the Lawrences work to pay off their boat, they take advantage of every opportunity to hone up on their sailing skills. Sandy is a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary Patrol out of



Sandy makes some last minute adjustments before taking off for an afternoon of sailing.

board during a world cruise. They learned how to sail their boat and got a feel for its capabilities.

They learned enough to decide that the Gulfstar wasn't the boat for their world cruise. So, they changed their lifestyle again. This time they bought a townhouse and shopped around for another boat - one better suited for sailing around the world.

They finally decided upon a 36-foot cutter rig with tiller and wind vane steering. One of the cutter rig's main features is that it can be sailed by one person. Its two sails up front are a genoa and a staysail. The larger genoa sail can be easily taken down, leaving only the staysail to manage if things

Lakewood. His patrol covers the area from the Texas City Dike to Morgan's Point. He also serves as a Sea Scout instructor, and whenever he is asked to

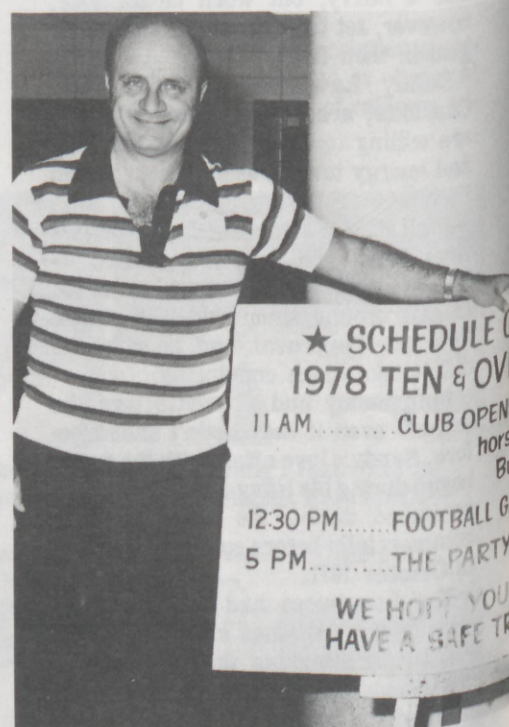
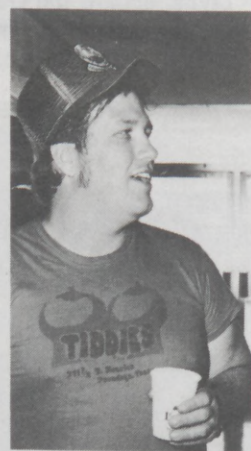
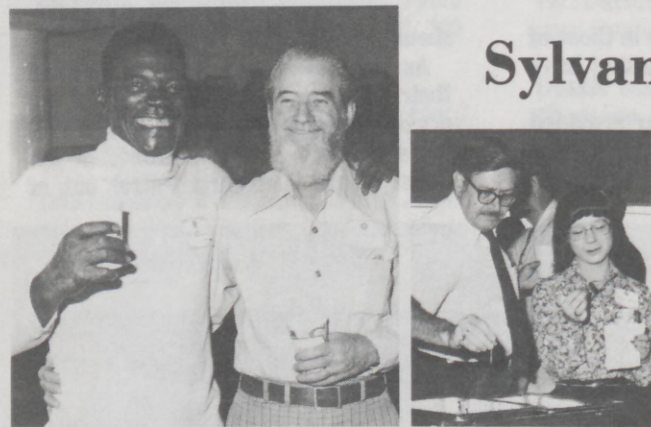
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ERU-6 Starts Up

Process manager Larry Stanford reports that three hours after introducing feed to the EPON solid resin unit on October 23, it was producing specification solid epoxy resin. He expressed his congratulations to all startup, operations and Major Projects personnel who worked on this project.



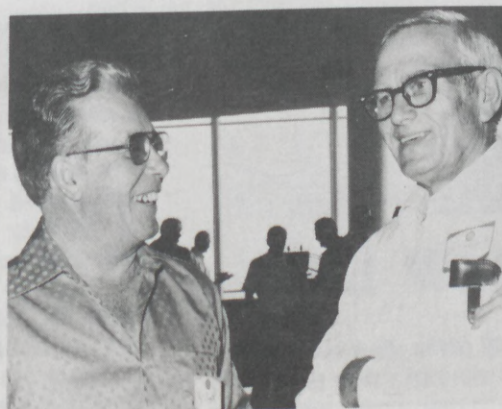
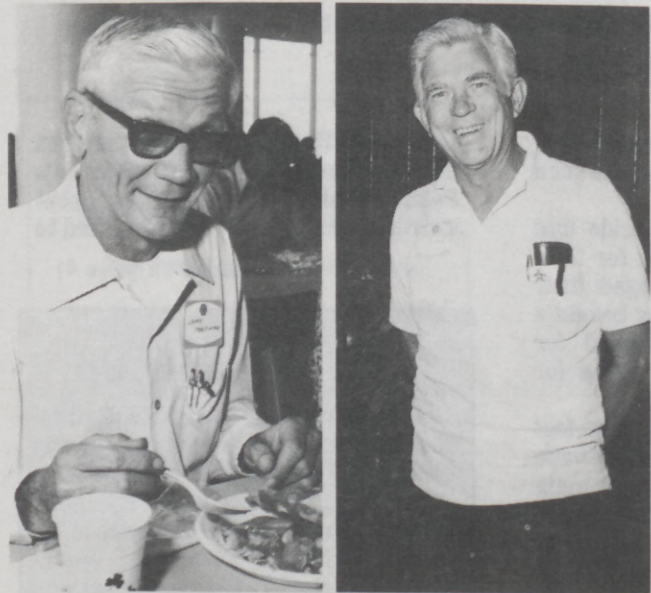
Sylvan Beach Pavilion Scene Of Annual Ten-and-Over Parties



★ SCHEDULE OF
 1978 TEN & OVER
 11 AM..... CLUB OPENING
 hors d'oeuvres
 BUY
 12:30 PM..... FOOTBALL GAME
 5 PM..... THE PARTY
 WE HOPE YOU
 HAVE A SAFE TRIP



Employees and retirees had a good time at the annual Ten-and-Over Parties. Activities included fishing, forgotten faces in back, Shellegram issues to eating, and greeting old acquaintances.



Classifieds

FOR SALE

1973 Chevrolet dump truck, tilt front end, good condition. 477-0909 after 5 p.m.

1976 Honda 400, 4 cylinder, low mileage, good condition. \$700. 334-1865 after 6 p.m.

1978 Honda Hawk II, CB-400, low mileage, 5-speed. Remington 30-06 automatic with case. \$150. 475-1663

1962 GMC pickup SNB, rebuilt V-6, many extras. \$675. 479-1219

8 Rosewood Park Cemetery lots in Humble, old section. 479-2740

1977 Cadillac DeVille Coupe, cabriolet roof, new radial tires, AM-FM stereo, 8-track tape, cruise control, 500 CID, 4 bbl, T-T steering, Twilight Sentinel, Guidematic headlight control, wire wheels, rear defogger, 50,000 miles. \$7,000. 488-7370 after 5 p.m.

1975 Chevy Monza V-8, air, AM-FM 8-track, mags, clean. \$2,600. 479-0716

Craig 10 & 20 amp speakers. \$15 and \$25. Tabletop 8-track player with speaker. \$35. Four 13" wheels and hub caps for Monza. \$30. 479-0716

Remington 742 model, 30.06 with 4X scope and other items. \$275. Remington 870 model 12-gauge modified, 28" plain barrel and other items. \$150. 477-9774

Mini bike. \$50. 471-4287

Residential lot 75' x 150' in Lomax. \$8,800. 471-4287

1973 Glastron V-173, 135 hp Johnson motor, 17' V-hull, power tilt and trim. \$3,800. 479-0667

1977 900Zi Kawasaki Chopper, electric start, 3,100 miles, excellent condition. \$2,400. 487-1285

19 cu. ft. Sears Coldspot refrigerator, white, 2 years old, like new, under warranty. \$299. Sears Kenmore gas range, 4 burners, oven, broiler, white, clean. \$99. 474-2238.

Firewood, will deliver and stack. 643-4968 or 643-2122

1977 Vintage 14' x 80' mobile home, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 4-ton Carrier air, many extras. Equity and assume note at Credit Union. 479-8253 after 6 p.m.

Kenmore washer and gas dryer. \$40 each or \$75 for both. 472-6979

Peach face love birds, 2 months old. \$25 each. 473-6529

New shocks for 1969 Fiat stationwagon. \$25 for both. 471-5365

1977 Corvette, P-S-B-W., leather interior, tilt wheel, AM-FM stereo, luggage rack, excellent condition, low mileage. \$9,250. 479-8566

1975 Suzuki TM-75, Knobby tires, new chain, like new. \$275. 334-1215

1974 Plymouth Duster Slant 6, power, air. \$950. 479-2261

1970 Firebird, completely overhauled, air, radio, standard, 350. \$750. 472-3187

1972 Honda 500, Holly back tire, Sportster tank, extended front end. \$650. 477-6503

1975 3/4-ton pickup, 454, air, radio, CB. \$2,800. 481-2517

Ruger 44 mag pistol trigger job, holster, cartridge belt, shells. \$200. 487-0927 after 6 p.m.

Side-by-side refrigerator, needs minor repairs. 3 tires, L78-15. Barbell set with bench. 15-gallon aquarium with stand. Lionel train with extra cars and track on plywood. 472-2230

1973 Buick LaSabre 4-door, loaded, 68,000 miles. \$900. 472-5988

1977 Boston Whaler, 17', 85 hp Johnson Javelin, tilt trim, Sportsman trailer, etc. 1978 Melody mobile home 70' x 14', 6 months old. Assume loan balance. 472-5445 after 6 p.m.

Nearly new B.F. Goodrich tire, 4 ply poly W.W. G78x15. \$25. 946-6355

Kimball Swinger 580 player organ, like new. \$900. 488-7517

Hand painted canister sets with wooden lids, custom painted. \$35. Baby bed and chest of drawers to fit little girl's doll. Dressing table for 3-6 year old. Custom made to order. 472-8425

FOR LEASE

3-2 1/2 CP townhouse in Clear Lake City, refrigerator, washer, dryer, fireplace. 334-3477

3-2-2 house in Forest Cove (Humble), no pets. \$340 plus deposit. 479-7145 after 5 p.m.

FOUND

Key on rig with white GE plastic tag. Claim in room 151 refinery administration.

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crew for another boat owner, he is ready to oblige them.

One such request occurred recently when a Gulfstar owner asked them to deliver his boat to the Florida Keys. The Lawrences agreed, as it's trips like that that provide valuable practical experience. They know that the expertise gained through routine experiences will assist them later in times of stress.

Take their most recent sail, with another couple, across the Gulf to Bimini, Cat Cay and the Florida Keys. During Sandy's night watch at the wheel, he suddenly became aware of something dead ahead. Immediately, he turned the wheel hard to starboard, missing the object by roughly five feet. The object: a mooring ball that had


broken loose from an oil rig in the Gulf.

"Normally, sailors stay at least a half mile from a rig because of the mooring balls," said Sandy, "but this one had broken away and was floating free."

When the others came running on deck to find out what was wrong, Sandy was speechless. It was all he could do to miss the ball.

For many, the Lawrences' dream to sail around the world would be a financial impossibility. Others would consider it impractical. The Lawrences not only can afford it, they also consider it a practical goal for them. When funds get low, Sandy, a machinist in Maintenance North, plans to use the tools he will take with them to work on diesels, refrigeration or anything else that needs fixing. And, Sandy's just the man who could fix them.

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