

Environmental Inspection Tours

These visitors to Shell's DPMC are shown inspecting some of the plant's waste water treatment facilities as part of the Water Pollution Control Federation's annual conference held October 7-12 in the Astrohall. One of several ship channel area plants shown for excellent environmental facilities, Shell hosted three tours for about 120 people from all across the country.

The above facilities were constructed in 1977 and average treating some seven million gallons of waste water a day. Special features include oil water separation, automatic storm water diversion and impoundment, biological treatment and filtration before final discharge.



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Ingenuity Results

There's a lot of good natured teasing going on these days over at HCIN and at the DPMC-South maintenance shops. On the receiving end of the teasing is Sammy West. And the reason for the teasing is Sammy's ingenious washing machine. Mind you, it's not the run-of-the-mill, rub-a-dub tub, but a 3x12-foot, heavy duty job constructed of 2x12s. For an agitator it has a porta-pony, pipe-treading machine with six-inch blind flanges for pulleys. The pulleys hold the rotating demisters while they are being washed.

And, what is a demister? They're elements, eight in all, of the HCIN No. 1 column C-1703. These elements clean up the tail gas by removing moisture before it is sent to the stack for burning.

The idea for a washing machine was the result of a need to rinse gently HCIN demisters in order to remove accumulated deposits, which had caused a high pressure drop in the unit.

To replace the demisters would have taken not only time, but money as well, since they cost \$5,000 apiece. To wash them took 12 hours for each one, plus the cost

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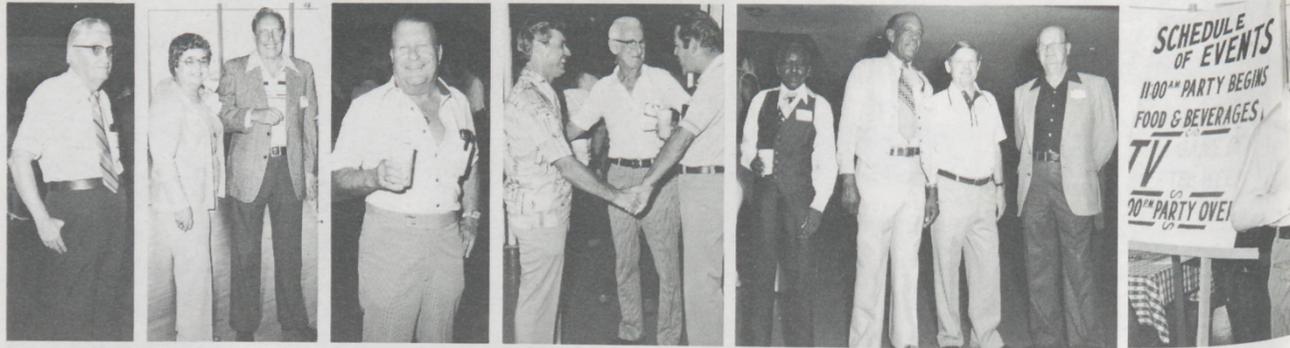
Grandparents Located

Robbie Roberson of Material Control says it's one in a million who would put forth the extra effort that CK Distributors did to locate the grandparents of Brian, Mark and Susan, whose Christmas gifts were sent to CK Distributors by UPS.

Apparently the label with Brian, Mark and Susan's address fell off the large box containing their gaily wrapped Christmas gifts from Grandma and Grandpa, leaving only the CK address imprinted on its side. When the box arrived at CK Distributors in Clear Lake City, Clarence Comer recognized it as one used to deliver 50th Anniversary souvenirs to the DPMC. So, he contacted Sandra Bradbury, chairman of the Reception and Souvenirs Committee, who then notified the Shellegram and suggested the "Attention Grandparents" blurb in last week's issue.

The article had special interest for Robbie, since he is the grandpa of Brian, Mark and Susan. After the gifts were identified, the box was relabeled and is now on its way to his grandchildren in Vero Beach, Florida.

Annual Ten-and-Over Parties Held



Always glad to be at the Ten-and-Over parties are J. H. Cook, Ruth Close, Frank Thompson, H. M. Baines, Al Sortino, Turkey Wheeler, E. L. Reimers, Charlie Wilson, Floyd Pierott, H. M. Theiler, John Wood, Johnny Johnson and Roberta Reeves.



Dottie Patterson, Leona Ellison, Joe Baumbach, Clo Laird and others give the photographer a smile. Irene Goedrich and Barbara Briggs smile and R. E. Kraus.

S. Q. Gentry, M. M. Straton and M. J. Schobel check out old photos from past parties. Tommy Cutrer looks on while Juanita Batton cuts the



There just wasn't enough time to visit for C. A. Wolfe, Teal Riggs, Johnny Muiers, Hobson Reat, Charlie Young, Freddie Modisette, Ed Kulhanek, Pappy Nelson, F. M. Waggoner, Red Dillard, Larry Stanford, Burns Clare, Dale Lorio, J. E. Samford, Jake Krauskopf, Pete Highnote, E. D. Stanley, Z. T. Hunt and J. A. Middleton.



Ken Davis samples hors d'oeuvre while Dalton Price decides which dip he prefers. Guests Duke Ellington, David Krouse and Pat Bezdek enjoy their beverages.

A. V. Gutowski and Kenny Zwahr take a break from eating. Roger Williams gives Reuben Stride a hug.

F. J. Edwards, L. M. Parrott, A. L. Hall, J. W. McKinney and J. E. Hobson line up and smile at the Ten-and-Over.

Classifieds

FOR SALE

Child's traffic cycle, electrically powered, rechargeable, foot pedal, like new. \$25. 10" red tricycle. \$5. 477-7407 after 5 p.m.

Singer 237 portable sewing machine, 9 years old, good condition, skips stitches. \$25. 941-6241

3 large bar stools, dark brown naugahyde with chrome plated stand and base, overstuffed with arm rests. \$150. 444-7854

1979 Ford Fairmont, 9,000 miles, full warranty, cruise, deluxe interior, air, automatic, 6 cyl., 4-door. 944-8023 or 664-9556

1978 Honda 750 semi-chrome. 20" girl's bicycle, like new. 337-2086 after 6 p.m.

1976 Malibu Classic, fully loaded, 38,000 miles. 453-0231 or 944-3447

1974 Dodge Monaco, P-S-B, air, AM-FM, no rust or body damage, 16 mpg. \$995. 337-3035 or 852-3979

1974 Lincoln Continental 4-door, good condition, low mileage. 692-1698

2 burner alcohol stove for built-in countertop, Homestrand model 206. \$100. 333-2257

1977 Camero Rally Sport L-T, P-B-S, AM-FM 8-track, tilt wheel, Ziebart. \$4,500. 686-6495

1973 Volvo 144, air, AM-FM, auto. \$1,500. 476-5560

Lumber, 1x4s, 2x4s, 2x8s and plywood, some short, some long. 471-2961

Electric Maytag clothes dryer, excellent condition. \$65. 475-1569

25' motor home, self-contained, new tires, P-S-B, sleeps 5. \$4,500. 946-7946
Boy's chopper bike, excellent condition. \$85. 471-7090

Big cabin tent with aluminum outrig poles, large zip-up windows and vinyl floor. 479-2709

WANT TO BUY

Welding cables for home welder. Flat bottom boat, aluminum. 479-1325

FOR RENT

3-1½-2 in Deer Park, available December 1. 479-3013

3 bedroom townhouse in Northeast Houston. \$300 per month. 631-3804 or 453-6812

FREE

Medium size, male puppy, mixed breed, 3½ months old. 473-5694

FOUND

Gold belt and single key on piece of wire in chemical parking lot. Claim in room 151 of refinery administration building.

PERSONAL

The John A. Nepveux family acknowledges and appreciates the expressions of sympathy during our recent loss.

- John A. Nepveux

RETIREMENT PARTY

Lillian Brown, Engineering Support, will be treated to a coffee and cake farewell gathering on November 29 at 9:30 a.m.

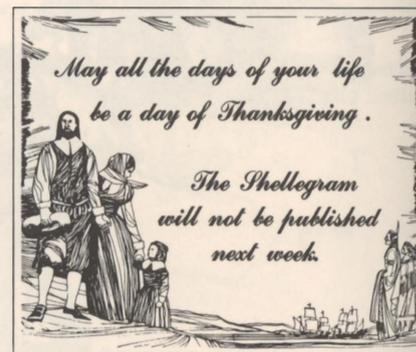
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of materials (including a giant, economy-size box of Tide) and labor.

Sammy's washing machine may not win any awards for beauty, but it has proved to be an effective means of cleaning HCIN demisters. And, Frank Howard, operating assistant, Intermediates and Solvents-V, feels confident that this design will be used again when the need arises. Hopefully, this won't be for another year or two; but in the meantime, Sammy has the pleasure of knowing that he has contributed to a substantial savings by using his ingenuity.

When not inventing or reinventing, as the case might be, Sammy is either an hourly backup foreman or a pipefitter in Maintenance South.



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