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Open houses:

North Lab's 350 visitors find 'The Best is Yet to Be'

Families of employees at two DPMC departments, the North Lab and LPA, recently were treated to fun and food while visiting open houses held by each department.



Children at the North Lab Open House were treated to hand-made balloon animals. Here, Jason Howard is handed one of the animals while his sister Andrea looks on and waits her turn.

In September, more than 350 people visited North Lab's open house held on a Saturday. Its theme was "The Best is Yet to Be."

Visitors to the open house were served a catered barbecue lunch in the North Cafeteria. There, laboratory equipment was displayed and a videotape showing the lab and its employees ran continuously. Children were entertained by a clown and cartoon videos, and each family received a souvenir photo of themselves in addition to a bag filled with other souvenirs.

Bus tours of the Complex were provided for visitors, and members of the Shell Historical Society displayed their country store-service station float and other antique lab-related items.

"This was our first open house in 32 years," says Lab Tester **FLORENCE BULLARD**, chairperson of the North Lab open house committee. "We wanted to invite our families out and show them where we work and to let everybody see what changes have taken place since our recent reorganization."

Florence says that every employee had a hand in either putting together or working at the open house. Helping her as assistant co-chairperson was **KNOX MONTGOMERY**. Other committee chairpeople included **RAY FLYNN**, **JERRY WARD**, **FRAN CORBETT**, **KAREN BATTLE**,

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LPA's 'Octoberfest' brings out 550 family members

In early October, LPA employees served host to approximately 550 people who came out on a Saturday to visit the department's new operations building and learn about the work done there.

Billed as an "Octoberfest," the mood for the open house was set by a live German polka band which played throughout the day. A large yellow-and-white circus-like tent served as cover while people ate a catered barbecue lunch, and other tents housed the serving line and exhibits of LPA-related tools and materials.

For the younger set, there was a puppet show and face-painting clowns, and computer games to play. Also, the Shell Historical Society members brought out their country store — service station float for viewing.

Visitors to the "Octoberfest" were bussed to LPA units around the Complex for walking tours. There, LPA employees described how the units operate and what products are made.

Souvenirs were handed out to visitors and door prizes were given away during the five-hour event.

DAVE SEXTON, LPA's Purchasing & Administrative Services supervisor and chairperson for the open house, says the purpose for the open house "was to recognize the performance of the Lube and Phenol Acetone businesses, and to reward all the LPA folks

for their work in 1986.

"It took three months worth of coordination and planning to

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Vince Maggio (left), an LPA senior staff engineer, takes a closer look at a display item along with LPA Process Engineer Chander Seth and his wife Neelam. The displays helped families understand LPA and the role their family members play in its success.



North Lab Open House visitors make their way through the serving line which featured a special lunch of catered barbecue.



Stepping off the bus after a tour of the Complex are (l-r) North Lab Operations Foreman Ted Ivy, Retiree Melvin Muecke and his wife Wanda, and Barbara Ivy. The tour was part of the open house.

Open house makes employees proud

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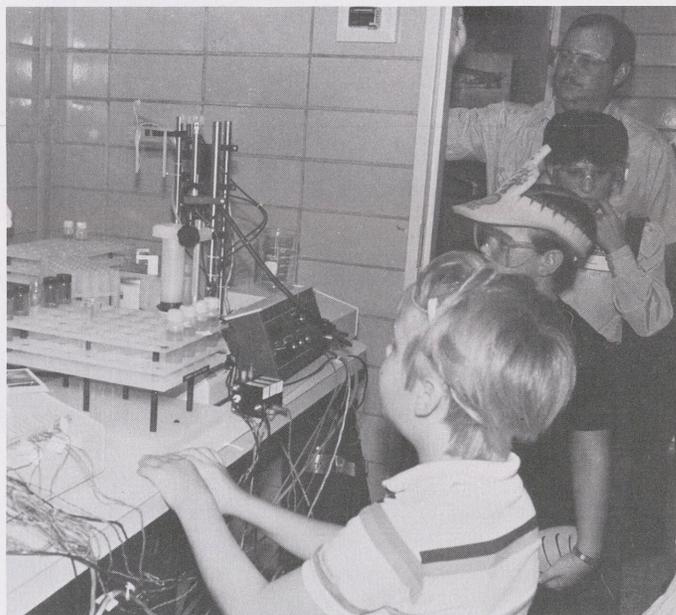
BARBARA HOOPER, LINDA THOMAS, LEE FULLER, SCARLETT JONES and EVELYN KIRK.

"Some good things came out of the open house," Florence explains. "Our families got to learn more about what we do and meet the people we work with. And we got to show off to our families a little bit. I think each employee had a little more pride in their job

after seeing how impressed others were with the work that goes on at the North Lab."



Taking a moment to talk with friends at the North Lab Open House held in September are (l-r) Retiree F. L. Robinson, Lab Supervisor Ted Nowak, Retiree Charlie Finch and his wife Jackie.



All open house visitors, both young and old, found walking through the North Lab a fun-filled learning experience.

Shell Signature credit card program offers more benefits

As the Shell Signature credit card program enters its second year, the number of members and benefits continues to grow. Through Aug. 15, there were approximately 375,000 cardholders, an increase of 100,000 since Jan. 1.

"We will begin billing members for second-year fees in October," says Marketing's RICK SPINKS. "By December we

should know what to expect in the way of card renewals, a key factor in the long-term success of the program."

To keep the membership count on an upward trend, program solicitations were again mailed to regular Shell cardholders this past spring. And a July mailing to existing Shell Signature cardholders pointed out current benefits and announced a new

one: a three percent refund for members who make their transportation arrangements through the Shell Signature 24-Hour Travel Center.

Spinks says program plans for 1987 include expansion of outside (non-Shell cardholders) solicitation mailing lists, and additional Shell Signature benefits and services.

Fun runs: Five kilometer and mile runs set to aid Battleship

On Saturday, Nov. 22, two "Save Our Ship" Fun Runs, a five-kilometer and a one-mile, will be held at the San Jacinto Monument. The runs are in support of the fund raising campaign going on around the state to restore the Battleship Texas located at the San Jacinto Battleground.

The USS Texas is the oldest and only surviving Dreadnought Era battleship in the country. It was the U.S. Navy's first coal-fired battleship and the first to launch an aircraft from its decks. Her reciprocating engines are a National Engineering Landmark, among the largest ever built and the last of their size in existence. A veteran of two world wars, she was then General

Dwight D. Eisenhower's flagship on D-Day, hurling 1,100 rounds at Omaha Beach. She served at Cherbourg, Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

On Texas Independence Day, 1948, she became the proud flagship of the "Texas Navy" and was moved to the Battleground. A brilliant showpiece of naval history, she is slowly being destroyed by rust and corrosion.

All proceeds from fun runs will go the Battleship Texas restoration projects. Those interested in more information should contact Vernon Delpesce (473-9441) or Larry Gorden (476-8198).

Starting in November, SCORA will have a new office and phone number. The office is located in the Old East Operations Building, room 34. The telephone number is 476-6655. All tickets, sign-ups and information will be handled at the office. Hours of operation have not been determined yet. Volunteers are needed to man the office at least one day a week. Anyone interested should call Junior Guillot at 476-7593.

SCORA Camping Trip

Where: Lake Livingston State Park

When: Nov. 14 - 16 (Check in Friday night — check out Sunday afternoon)

Cost: \$9 per night

Activities: Fishing, swimming, boating, Saturday night barbecue (meat furnished by SCORA, campers furnish a side dish). Showers available.

Contact: Juanita Batton (476-6737)

SCORA Christmas Dance

Where: SPJST Hall, Pasadena

When: Dec. 19

Classified

FOR SALE

HOUSE, 3-2-2, 1700 sq ft, central air and heat, one acre, fruit trees, doubled windows, view of two lakes, ideal for retiree. 729-3869

LAKE HOUSE, 2-1, on 200-acre private lake, Livingston area, bulkhead, boathouse, storage building, \$31,000. 461-7062 evenings or collect (409)685-4665 weekends.

21.45 ACRE TRACT, Crosby, beautiful wooded, on new blacktop road, good deer hunting, 450 ft. frontage, 2,075 ft deep, ideal homesite or for subdividing, \$4000 per acre, terms. 328-7410

1979 CORVETTE L-82, one owner, 57,000 miles, white with red interior, fully loaded, excellent condition, \$8500. 472-0718, 487-7871 or 697-3578

1979 MUSTANG, low mileage, used for pleasure only, very clean, \$2700. 470-8903

1980 VW SCIROCCO, air, AM/FM cassette, low mileage, one owner. 476-4572

1974 BMW, 900 cc, full dress, silver and black, excellent condition, \$1500. 473-3746

KOENIG 30" TOOLBOX for regular size pickup. Almost new, \$250. 328-2948

CAMERA, Minolta XGM, lenses (50/f 1.7, 28-80/f 4.5), flash, case, bag. \$175. 480-9209

SMALL UTILITY TRAILER, \$250.
GO-KART, 2 cycle engine, \$250. 326-1618

FOR LEASE

BRICK HOME, 3 bedroom, 1½ baths, central air/heat, on 2/3 acre lot, lots of big trees, in an unrestricted subdivision, Spring, TX, near I-45 and FM 1960 area, Klein schools, \$495 per month. 713-328-7410

THANK YOU'S

We would like to express our thanks to all our friends at DPMC for their concern and encouragement during John's recent illness.

MARTY & JOHN NEPVEUX

My family and I want to thank everyone for the retirement party, it was great. We miss you but life on the farm in Missouri is the best.

RUSS SHEDELBOWER

I want to take this opportunity to thank all my friends and fellow workers who participated in my retirement party. The gifts were great and the party was enjoyable. Thanks again for everything.

STEVE MAYWALD

I want to take this opportunity to thank Gas Recovery "F-Troop" for the wonderful retirement party. For all the retirees and all who came to the party, I'm glad I had the pleasure of knowing and working with each of you.

MILTON BOOTY

Thanks to all my friends at Shell, and those that have retired, for making my career with Shell a very rewarding and happy experience. Thanks, too, for the great retirement party and for the thoughtful gifts. Each of you have a very special place in my heart. I will always remember the many fine people I worked with, and for, during the past thirty-eight years. Edna Earl and I plan to continue to make our home in Deer Park but I plan to do a lot of fishing on Lake Conroe. Maybe some of you will find time to do some with me. Thanks again for everything and our prayers and best wishes to all of you.

ODIS CHAPPELL

I wish to thank all my friends for the scroll and cash gift that was given to me at my retirement party. I will cherish the fond memories throughout my retirement years.

W. B. GRIMES



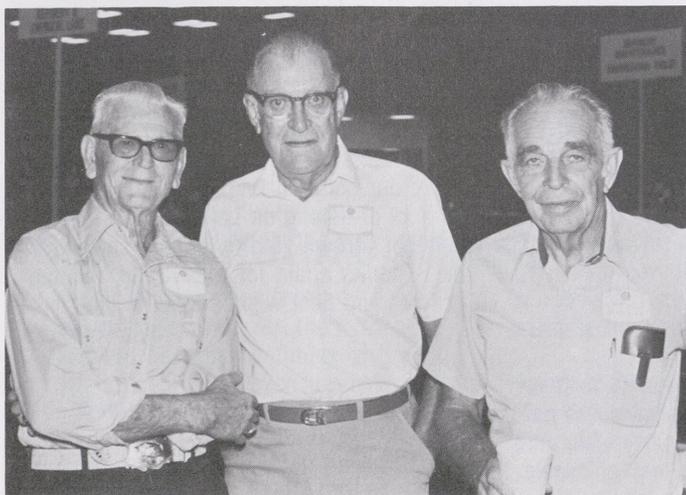
EMMANUEL THOMAS (Alkylation '81), MATTHEW VALLIE (Alkylation '86), TOM DAVIS (Alkylation '85) and AL SORTINO (Solvents & Treater/Active).



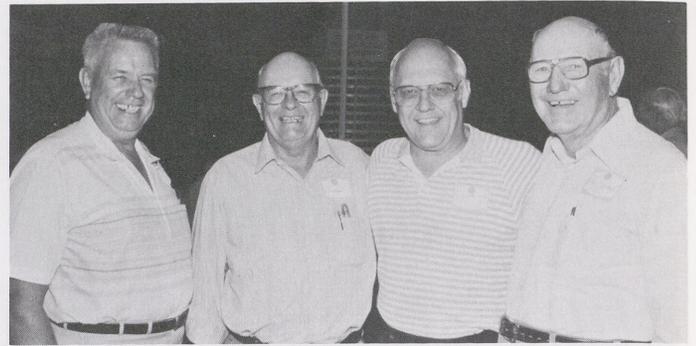
WILLIE HALL (Maintenance '82) and BILL HARRISON (Engineering Field '63).



MARY GREMILLION (Stores '60), LILLIAN CALHOUN (Two-Room '61) and J. A. COOK (Boilermaker '73).



WILLIE CHILDS (Instrumentation '63), F. B. HARRISON (Electrical '73), and RAY MCKENZIE (Waterhouse '76).



DALE JOHNSON (Utilities '84), B. D. SIMPSON (Utilities '84), D. W. CHRISMER (Utilities '85), and D. R. JULIAN (Utilities '76).

Ten & Over party offers a chance to see friends

It was like a big high-school reunion party, and the admission price was a smile, a chuckle and a handshake.

In September, DPMC held its 1986 "10 & Over" party for employees with 10 years or more service, and for all Complex retirees.

This year, for the first time ever, the gathering included both refinery and chemical plant workers and was held at the Pasadena Convention Center. And it was just big enough.

"Starting from around 11 a.m. on that Saturday, people started arriving," recalls JACK MILLER, a senior technician in Computer Services and a coordinator of the event. "For the next six hours, more than a thousand people passed through, some staying an hour, others the whole day."

Along with Jack, those DPMC employees and retirees credited for setting up the party include BILL DAVIS, CLARK CALIHAN, INA McCLURE, MIKE DAVIS, MELBA HALL, LORI CONOVER, ELLA MAE YOUNG, R. G. SALDIVAR, JIMMY HALLMARK and ROBERT GIBSON.

Tables covered with assorted appetizers lined the meeting hall. Beverages flowed freely and a special "10 & Over" cake was made for the occasion. Homestyle-cooking was the order of the day, with roast beef and ham as main dishes.

But it wasn't for the food that they came. It was the renewing of old friendships and the fond memories that brought these past and present Deer Park workers together.

Pictured are a few of those who posed for the SHELLEGRAM. Their faces tell of the good time had by all.



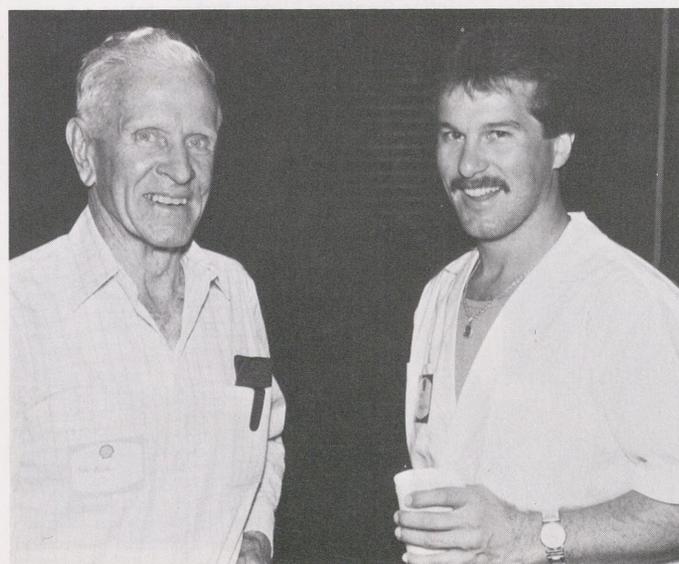
IRENE GOEDRICH (Community Relations/Active), MAXINE WALLACE (Administrative Support/Active) and LOUISE MEIER (Employee Relations '85).



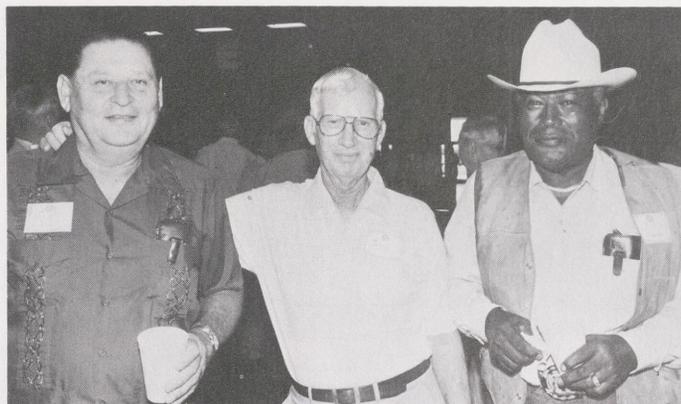
JIM BRITTON (Research '77), OPAL KNUDSON (Cat. Cracker '59) and Complex Manager HANK BETTENCOURT cut the "10 & Over" cake.



ROSIE FUENTES (Administrative Services/Active) and PATTY MAYES (Employee Relations/Active).



OLE BLUE (Boilershop '80) and RANDY INGEBRETSON (Craft Training/Active).



GENE SLANINA (Maintenance Engineering '86), ED STANLEY (Special Projects '80), and ANDY ANDREWS (Automotive '73).



H. L. TURNER (Aromatics '81) and G. A. SMITH (Engineering Fuels '74).



EVELYN LEAMONS (Medical '83), MARIE KARNEY (Medical '64) and ELIZABETH JAMES (Medical/Active).



A German Polka band entertains open house visitors at lunch.

LPA open house a success

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make the open house a success," he goes on to say.

LPA employees serving as committee chairpeople were **CARL PITTMAN, DARLENE CARTER, TOM SZEPELAK, PAUL DAVIS, BILL LUCAS and DAVE KILGORE.**

"Each was in charge of a specific area, such as food or entertainment," Dave Sexton explains. "Just as LPA depends on its people to make it a successful operation, the open house was the result of our employees' desire to make it happen."



Lube Logistics retirees G. H. Cook and Elmore Burke pick our familiar faces from an LPA scrapbook. Retirees were an important part of the LPA Open House festivities held in October.



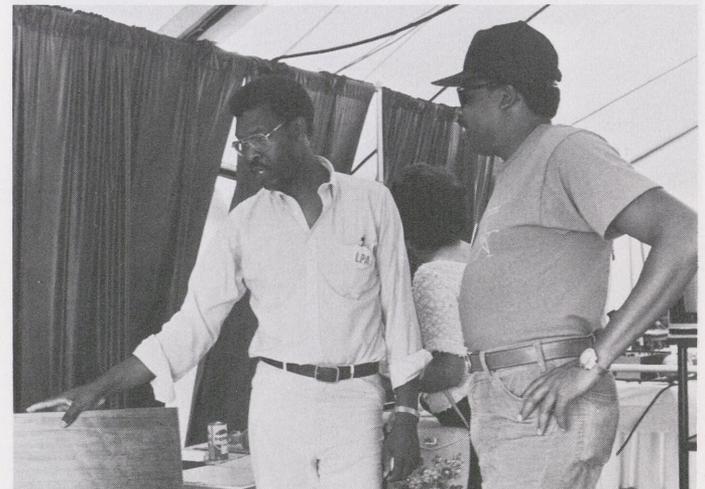
Shaun Greene, son of Dick Greene, a Phenol Acetone operator, tries his hand at the computer games available during LPA open house activities.



Veronice and Stacy Gomez, daughters of Phillip Gomez, a Lube Logistics operator, enjoy participating in a puppet show.



Children enjoyed getting their face painted by a clown. Here Joe Dubea, son of Lube Logistics Operator Linton Dubea, takes a turn.



Lloyd Dixon, a Head Office Operations representative, looks over an exhibit with Ron Matthews, a senior inspector for LPA.

Retirements



OMA CERRONE
34 Years



J. H. LITTLETON
33 Years



FAY MAAS
17 Years



PAUL RASCO
33 Years



R. E. WHITE
33 Years



BILL WOODWARD
37 Years

Service Anniversaries



A. P. VEAZEY
35 Years Service



ED BEALLE
30 Years Service



C. L. WALLACE
30 Years Service

As employees increase donations

United Way gifts reach record highs

In October, Deer Park employees contributed more than \$175,000 to the DPMC United Way campaign and set an all-time-high Complex record in average donations per employee.

Among the 87 percent of employees who participated in the campaign, the average donation for each was \$71. This represents a 32 percent increase over last year.

"People around the Complex really came through when they were needed," says Campaign Co-Chairman **BILL COIT**. "Our Complex goal was \$150,000, and we exceeded that by 18 percent.

"Along with the employees, each campaign solicitor deserves a great deal of thanks for their efforts," Bill continues. "They were the workhorses for the campaign."

In the United Way Group Participation competition, Group Seven had the highest number of employees — 97 percent — contributing to the campaign. Departments included in this group are Industrial Relations, Personnel, Training, Accounting, Computer Services, Purchasing & Administrative Services, and Economics & Scheduling. Employees of these departments will be recognized at an awards ceremony, and plaques recognizing the group will hang in the North and South Cafeterias.

A drawing for prizes and parking spaces was held by the United Way committee. Employees eligible for the drawing were those who returned United Way pledge cards.

Winners of the prizes are **C.A. MITCHELL**, **E. RINCON**, **H.M. HARGIS**, **R.L. CHRISTIANSON**, **W.L. REED**, **J.L. THOMAS**, **S.R. HEDRICK**, **T.W. KEELING**, **G. GEISLER JR.**, and **M.L. STRICKLER**. They will have their choice of either a Cross pen and pencil set, a brass pecten belt buckle, a Carriage clock, or a case of Shell motor oil.

Winners of parking spaces at either the North or South Main Gates are **J.G. CANTU**, **R.M. DENNY**, **H.W. KESSLER**, **C.F. JONES**, **D.G. CHASE**, **J. FONTENOT**, **R.L. MADDUX**, **R.E. GARZA JR.**, **F.D. KEIFER**, **C.E. JUSTICE**, **P.L. JACOBS**, **D.J. GRITZ**, **G.W. FAVER**, **R.G. MOSS**, **S.M. WALTMON**, **N.M. MERRICK**, **R.M. LINNEY**, **E.L. DAVIS**, **L.D. MUSIC**, **M.M. SPEARS**, **F.F. BULLARD**, **M.T. MILLER**, **M.W. SMITH**, and **D.A. MORRIS**.



Cat. Reforming Operator Susan Preston updates the United Way Group Participation board. DPMC employees had an outstanding overall participation rate of 82 percent.

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