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Shell Aids Petal Pushers

From Unimproved To Much Improved

Even a cursory glance of Dow Park will make you aware of the fact that Deer Park residents are fortunate to have the Petal Pushers Garden Club in their community.

The Petal Pushers Garden Club was formed in 1972, taking in the remaining members of the Palm Terrace Garden Club which limited its membership to residents of the Palm Terrace subdivision. "One of the Petal Pushers' first decisions was to open its membership to the entire citizenry of Deer Park," says newly installed president, Marion Robinson, wife of Don F. Robinson, senior engineering assistant, Environmental Operations.

"This decision increased decidedly the number of potential members," says Susan Atkinson, former DPMC employee in Purchasing and Central Files, who served as the club's president during 1973-74.

Wanting a major goal for the Petal Pushers and not knowing what it should be, Susan shared her concerns with Ron Downing, former director of city parks, who suggested that the club consider beautifying Dow Park. At that time, Dow Park was unimproved land with a few scattered trees. It was just the challenge the Petal Pushers were looking for when they approached Downing.

Their first project in the park was to have the ground level along the ditch raised. Then they planted crepe myrtles in the raised area. Soon other trees were donated and planted throughout the park's playground and sitting areas. Next they contacted Celanese who then designed and built the gazebo which has been the site of several local weddings.

Provident Fund News

The Shell Provident Fund valuation is as follows:

Equities Fund
May 15 - \$2,758

Shell Stock Fund
May 1-15 - \$40,395

Susan is quick to credit area industry for many of the features in the park. She tells of contacting Bill Lafield, DPMC manager of Community Relations, about the possibility of Shell's donating toward the park's beautification. The club then received a \$500 donation from Shell which was used to purchase 120 rosebushes for four rose beds with gradations of yellow, orange,

pink and red roses. One of the club's current goals is to have each of these rosebushes identified and labeled so that area gardeners, upon seeing a rose they particularly like, will know what to buy and the Dow Park gardens will be added to a list for other garden clubs to visit.

Another project involving the DPMC
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Standing on the walkway made of bricks inscribed by area residents and local businesses are Petal Pushers Marion Robinson (on the left) and Susan Atkinson. The roses lining the walkway were purchased with money donated by the DPMC.



These tripping hazard warnings were the result of a group effort of EP-Sulfur operators and shift foreman W. F. Evans. Operators R.H. "Andy" Anderson and Mark R. Rains drew the "man in red" on the sign, while W. F. Evans and operators L. D. Phillips and Paul H. Marx painted the protruding piece of concrete yellow. A string of flags were added and a work order turned in so that the concrete section would be removed.

And, as you can see, it was.

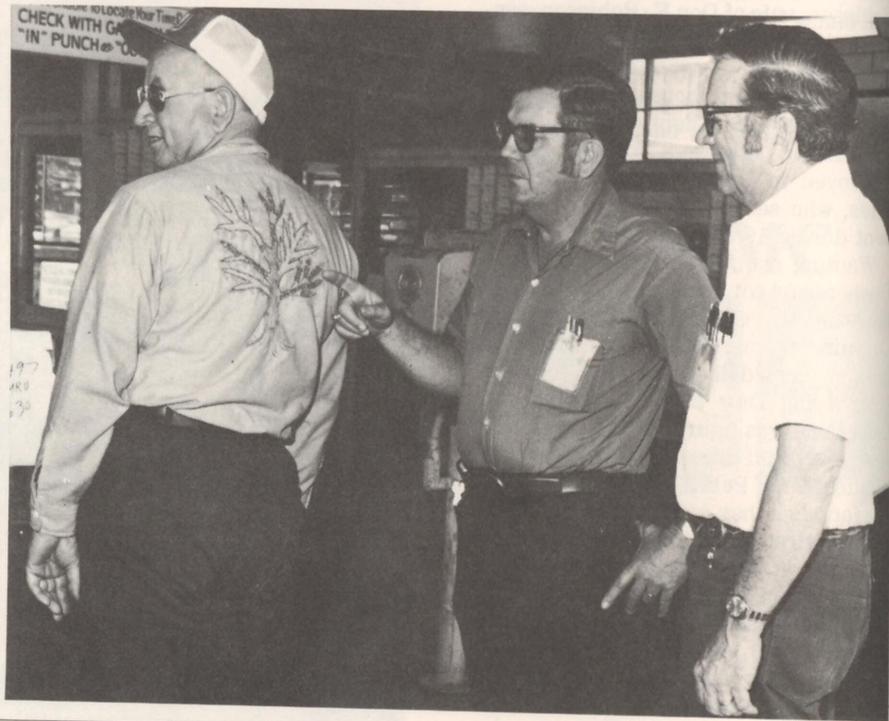
W. B. "Brother" Cummins, Lube A, operations foreman, models his embroidered workshirt for Dispatching operations foremen Billy Farmer and Jim Hawkins. Brother's shirt was done by his daughter Barbara Jean Newberry, and it depicts his family tree on the back, listing all eleven grandkids, daughters, sons-in-law and "momma." On the front are two small poinsettias and one larger one.



DPMC Happenings

Remembering birthdays is an excellent means of perfecting one's cake decorating skills. And, senior clerk, Charlotte Rice, a devotee of the art of cake decorating, makes it a point to remember her Refinery Laboratory co-workers' birthdays.

The most recent one celebrated was foreman Ted Nowak's 52nd year. For this momentous occasion in Ted's life, Charlotte decorated a bikini cake, which was shared with his bikini admiring friends and co-workers.



Local Educator Receives Doctorate

La Rue Grant, wife of Sidney A. Grant, OP-III operating assistant, received a doctorate of Education-Business from the University of Houston. The title of her dissertation was "A Comparative Study of the Attitudes of Students, Parents, Educators, and Business Leaders (Deer Park, Texas)

Toward Selected Concepts of Career Education."

The doctorate was her sixth degree. The others include: Bachelor of Science in Accounting, Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Bachelor of Science in General Business and Pre-Law, Mas-

ters of Secondary Education and Masters of Library Science.

She is presently employed as an instructional media specialist at Deer Park Elementary and lecturing at the graduate level for the University of Houston.

Taking A Trip? Don't Let It Show!

Make your home look lived in. When you are out at night, leave some lights on. Timers can be used to turn lights on and off automatically. Set these so the lights are on until normal bedtime hours, but don't put all of the lights out.

A radio turned on in the daytime may "turn off" a thief by making him or her think someone is home. Leave the drapes in a normal position, not tightly drawn. Keep valuables away from the windows to avoid unnecessary temptation.

- Take Care -

Take special care to keep your garage locked and sports equipment and bicycles put away at night. The most commonly stolen items include bicycles, stereos, portable TV sets, baseball



Safety Keys

Keys to safety have been popping up in various refinery zone shops, craft areas and supervisors offices. The man behind the safety slogan idea is W.T. "Bill" Ervin, who took the frequently heard phrase, "key to safety," a step further by using the shape of a key and attaching various phrases to it. He changes the phrases every two to three months.

His first key to safety phrase was "you." The second one was "thinking." The present key to safety phrase is "alertness."

gloves or bats, jewelry, cash and tools.

If you are going to be away on vacation, put a special effort into making your home look occupied. Have the postal service hold your mail and stop milk and newspaper deliveries. Make sure your lawn will be mowed and ask a neighbor to put out a full garbage or trash receptacle for the sanitation workers every so often. A home that doesn't accumulate garbage is very unusual and burglars know that. A willing neighbor might also park his car in your driveway every night, which also will help deter burglaries.

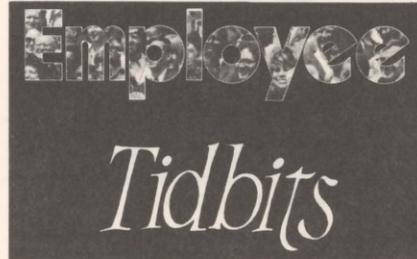
- Be Alert -

Be alert for strangers. Notify police immediately if you see any suspicious people, cars or trucks in your area. If you should stumble onto a burglary in progress, do not try to stop the burglar; call the police.

Install effective locks and barriers on your doors and windows. Your local police department burglary unit is likely to have information that will help you select good locks which make burglaries difficult.

Join Operation Identification. Many people or civic groups have etching tools available on a free, loan basis so you can mark your valuables. Stickers are provided which say, "We have join-

ed Operation Identification." In areas where this program has been widely used, burglaries frequently decreased dramatically.



Major Resins shift foreman Bill Gregg tries unsuccessfully to get co-worker C.B. Falk in a special photograph. Safety inspector Geary Hancock says sports are his thing but he's no "Turkey." OP-III office secretary Susan Sweny successfully combats flea invasion. Personnel manager Lamar Lewis catches "hot fry on the fly" at Employment supervisor Doris Shoemaker's farewell luncheon.

Light Olefins operators A. W. Benson and O. T. Vega learn what it's like to be backed into at a stop light. Maintenance North pipefitter Glenn Eberhardt gives away a dog. Process Engineering staff engineer Lou Turner makes "special edition" belt buckle for Norm Newton, staff engineer, Plant Engineering.

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was the transferring of the oldest grave site in Harris County from Shell's tank farm to Dow Park, where it is surrounded by a wrought-iron fence. The 1834 grave site was moved June 10, 1976, by the State Historical Commission as part of the country's bicentennial celebration.

While planning for the bicentennial, club members hit upon their major money-making project: selling soft bricks to community members, local businesses and area industries. Many of the bricks were sold during Deer Park's annual Fall Festival. After purchasing a brick, the buyer wrote a message on it before the bricks were fired by the Petal Pushers. A local bricklayer, Tommy Hill, then laid them in a walkway to the gazebo. One of the bricks lining the walkway reads: "Born

free in 1901; still free in 1976."

How did the Petal Pushers manage to get so many local businessmen and area industries involved in making so many worthy contributions to their gardening projects? Well, Susan says they did it by approaching them with the concept that the planting of trees and flowers was an environmentally sound project, since plants help clean the air and provide a sound barrier for nearby residents.

The Petal Pushers maintain a continuing interest in the park's botanical garden. They feel that their early efforts in Dow Park were partially responsible for the successful passing of the bond issue to build the Deer Park Community Center, the pool and walkways within the park. After seeing what they've accomplished in the park, it's easy to agree with Susan's assessment.

Classifieds

FOR SALE

42" attic fan, like new. 479-2948

Lomax lot, 75'x150'. 471-4287 after 5 p.m.

1978 Honda 400cc, 5-speed, low mileage, extras, like new. 665-7439

1975 Cadillac Sedan DeVille, loaded, good condition, vinyl top. \$3,395. 479-6130

1973 Ford Custom 500, power, air, radio, good condition. \$350. 776-3886

Friedrich window air conditioner unit, 18,400 BTU, excellent condition. \$225. 487-0601

1977 Mercury Marquis V8, air, P-S-B, AM-FM, 8-track tape deck, 18,500 miles, like new, cruise. \$4,500. 455-6163

1970 Galaxie 500 Ford, 4-door, air, radio, new tires, excellent condition except needs front-end body work. \$500. 479-3960

1976 Chevy window van, 3/4 ton, auto, P-S-B, cruise, air, AM-FM 8-track, 350 V8. 941-3419

Canyon Park subdivision lot, Lake Livingston. Equity. 487-2269

1975 Coupe DeVille, loaded, 40,000 miles, new water pump, brakes & spark plugs. \$4,400. 473-3746

Bay Area Racket Club (tennis) single membership. 488-0403

Kitchen sink, 2 bowl standard size, cast iron, white porcelain, 8" centers, 3-hole faucet opening + faucets, rim and clips. \$15. 946-6273

Maddox contemporary 104" divan and swivel rocker, Lawson style cushion, good condition. \$60. 946-6273

25" color console, hard rock maple cabinet with folding doors. \$225. Two aluminum frame, canvas lawn chair lounges in bold yellow floral design. \$10 each. 644-0133

Realistic TM101 AM-FM stereo tuner. \$40. 333-3439

1972 Datsun 1200, good condition, air, 4-speed, 35+ mpg, regular gas, radio. \$1,200. 471-5365

1977 Thunderbird, low mileage, P-W-S-B, air, AM-FM, 8 track, vinyl top and interior, split bench seats, Ziebart, excellent condition. 472-6368 or 472-2230 after 5 p.m.

Wilson "Julis Boros" golf clubs, 4 matched woods, 2 through 9 irons plus 1 iron, sand wedge, putter, bag, excellent condition. \$80. Play Day pull golf cart, like new. \$30. \$100 for both. 334-1215

1975 Bultaco 360MX motorcycle, mint condition, extra cylinder, sprockets, air filter, tire, etc., special tools. \$725. 772-3561 after 5 p.m.

1977 Olds Cutlass Supreme, fully equipped, good condition. \$1,300. 1977 Olds 98 Regency 4-door sedan, fully equipped. \$5,700. 473-1167

1977 F150 Custom Ford pickup, V8, regular gas, air, AT, P-S-B, radio, 10,000 miles. \$4,300. 472-7090 after 6 p.m.

4 lots in South Park Cemetery. 479-2792

1977 El Camino Classic, 350, air, P-S-B, tilt, cruise, auto, AM-FM, 18 mpg. \$3,950. 334-1967 after 9

1970 Pontiac Catalina 4-door, radio. 471-8433 after 6 p.m.

1978 AMF Scamper mini motor home, 22.5 ft., air, generator, rear bath, Dodge 360 motor. \$12,700. 331-3037

Four L-78x15 General tires, glass belted blackwall. Two 6x9 rear speakers, 6 months, out of 1978 Buick. \$20. 481-4767

1971 Chevy Cheyenne C-10 pickup, very good condition, 50,000 miles, Tutone paint, power, air, like new WW tires, camper cover, etc. \$1,695. 481-4767

Crib and mattress, clean. \$25. 7 1/2' Spanish style couch. \$95. Gold club chair. \$40. Coffee table. \$30. High chair. \$5. 334-3065

1976 Chevy Silverado, P-S-B, air, auto, duel tanks, regular gas. \$3,500.

1976 Tejas cabover, 9 1/2', stove, sink, rear bath, sleeps 5. \$2,000. 487-2996

American Eskimo pups, UKC purple ribbon bred, 6 weeks. \$100. 645-7364 after 6 p.m.

1977 Buick Regal, excellent condition, 27,000 miles, air, P-S-B, AM-FM, tilt, new rear air shocks, hitch. \$4,750. 482-3564

1972 Volvo 164, good condition, air, 4-speed, AM-FM, hitch. \$2,300. 471-5365

1973 Dodge Dart 6, 4-door, power, air, auto, radio, good condition. \$1,200. 453-2045

Ruby red Avon Cape Cod set, 9 large and 9 small goblets, pitcher, wine bottle, candle holders. \$50. Avon Bicentennial plate and soaps. \$8. Avon lead crystal egg with soap. Mother's Day 1977. \$8. Avon 1976 Betsy Ross figurine. \$8. Or, plate, egg and figurine for \$20. 476-4828

AT STUD

AKC apricot toy poodle, sassafras blood line. Fee: pick of the litter. AKC blue Merle great dane. Fee: \$125. 946-5382

FOUND

Silver loop pierced earring. Red umbrella. Claim in room 151 of refinery administration building.

PERSONAL

I would like to express my appreciation to each of my many friends at Shell for their part in my retirement party. Blackie Jr. deserves his name. He has his own little house and special care. I was offered two goats for him, but was reminded that he did not belong to me to trade, so Blackie Jr. is still around. Retirement is great. Our house is always open to each of you and your families. You all come.

"Red" Dillard

Think About It

Never argue with a fool.
Listeners can't tell which is which.

Study the past for understanding;
live the present for growth; plan the
future for contentment.

If you worry about what people think
of you, it means that you have more
confidence in their opinions than you
have in your own.

ENERGY. We can't afford to waste it.



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