

U.W. campaign kicks off Oct. 1

The WRMC United Way campaign gets under way Oct. 1 with the mailing of information letters and brochures to employees. Pledge cards will also be sent to employees not currently on the continuous payroll deduction plan.

The mailings will explain the procedures for giving to United Way. Any questions that arise should be directed to Employee Relations. The campaign will conclude Oct. 15.

"The demand for United Way services is greater this year due to the economy and government cutbacks in community programs," said Mike Greer, manager of Community Relations and Complex campaign coordinator. "We now have the opportunity to demonstrate through our charity that we can fund our own local programs."

Greer pointed out that approximately 55 percent of the employees are contributing to United Way in 1982, compared to 40 percent only two years ago.



United Way

In addition to employee contributions, Shell Companies Foundation, Inc. makes annual pledges to communities across the U.S. that have Shell facilities. The Foundation's 1982 pledge to River Bend United Way is \$62,000, and 1983's pledge will be increased 20 percent to \$74,500. Shell also makes donations to several local United Way offices outside the River Bend area.

Besides monetary support, Shell contributes employee time to help raise funds. Marg Stroud, WRMC Financial, is in her third year as a "loaned executive" to River Bend United Way. She is assigned to the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon office as campaign coordinator. During her 12 weeks of United Way duty, Marg calls on companies to solicit corporate gifts, and to generate participation and donations from their employees.

"Our emphasis this year is to contact people who, for one reason or another, do not contribute to United Way," Marg said. "We also will ask supporters to consider increasing their donations for 1983."

Marg went on to say, "I just wish it were possible for everyone to visit one or two agencies and observe firsthand the services they provide. If this happened, I believe there wouldn't be a need for a United Way campaign. Seeing is believing."



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99 entries

Safety poster winners selected

With occasional comments such as "A six-year-old draws this well?" and "These are really good," the safety poster contest judges recently reviewed the 99 entries and, with admitted difficulty, selected 12 winning posters.

The posters and photos of the young artists — children and grandchildren of employees between the ages of 5 and 13 — are being printed in the 1983 safety calendar which will be mailed to all employees in December. Four posters were chosen as winners in each of the three age categories: 5 to 7, 8 to 10, and 11 to 13. The theme this year was "How I Keep From Getting Hurt."

Manager Bill Durland presented each winner with a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond at a Sept. 11 reception for the children, their parents and grandparents.

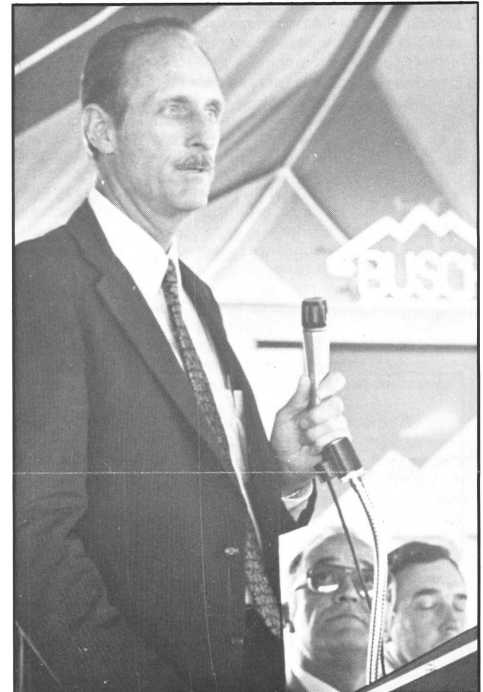
Winners in the 5 to 7 age group are: Karen Heinz, daughter of R.A. Heinz, Maintenance; Kimberly Jacobs, daughter of B.D. Jacobs, EOS Plant Engineering; Laura Sue Ortmann, daughter

of W.F. Ortmann, Maintenance; and Debbie Heinz, daughter of R.A. Heinz.

8 to 10 year old winners are: Anne Schreiber, daughter of J.L. Schreiber, LOP-Distilling; Elonda Griffin, daughter of Phyllis Mayes, Maintenance; Tammy Tottleben, daughter of Joyce Tottleben, LOP-Dispatching, and granddaughter of Les Isaacs, Maintenance; and Andrea Burrow, daughter of B.B. Burrow, Maintenance.

In the 11 to 13 age group, the winners are: Jill Schreiber, daughter of J.L. Schreiber; Brent Widaman, grandson of L.D. Bush, Maintenance; Ronald Hettinger, Jr., son of Ronald Hettinger, Safety and Industrial Hygiene; and Jeffrey Alan Derenne, son of Alan E. Derenne, LOP-Gas.

Bill Carr, Chris Haefner and Duane Hamann served as poster contest committee members. Judges were Harry Rollins, Safety and Industrial Hygiene; JoAnn Manning, Engineering Projects and Services; Dave McKinney, Community Relations; and Wanda Wallace, art instructor for the Roxana School District.



Bill Durland, Complex manager, received a standing ovation Sept. 16 when he presented River Bend United Way with a Shell Companies Foundation donation of \$74,500. It was the largest single gift River Bend ever received. (See Durland photo p. 2)

'82 Safety record best in 30 years

Always the optimist, Harry Rollins is confident that Complex employees will achieve one million safe hours by Christmas.

"We're having a very good, safe year and another million consecutive hours would be a great way to finish up 1982," said Rollins, manager of Safety and Industrial Hygiene.

1982 has indeed been a safe year. From Jan. 17 through Aug. 25, employees worked a record 221 days (1,989,000 hours) without a disabling injury. The million hour mark was reached May 8, one and one-half million July 2, and one and three-quarters million July 30.

"The employees of the Wood River Manufacturing Complex have always had enviable records of safety performance," said Manager Bill Durland. "We want to continue having excellent safety awareness and performance."

Rollins added, "Our safety record is the highest attained at the Complex in 30 years. Let's carry our enthusiasm and momentum through the remainder of 1982 and into 1983."



Belk Park was the site of the Engineering Picnic held Sept. 10. A good-sized crowd turned out for the food fest. Above, Jerry Yarnik and Bob Pratt serve corn on the cob to Debbie Tite.



Shell shorts

Shell golfers do it with one shot

Two Shell golfers had lucky days recently, each hitting their first hole-in-one.

Superstitions about Friday the 13th forgotten, **Larry Jones**, EP&S, stepped up to the first tee at the American Legion course in Edwardsville Aug. 13 and aced the 195-yard, par-three hole. The ball hit about eight feet short of the hole and rolled in. Jones said he couldn't believe the shot had really gone in until he walked up to the green and saw it himself. He used a 4-iron for the shot.

Retiree **George Adams** recorded the first ace of his golfing career early in August on the eighth hole at the Rolling Hills course in Godfrey. He aced the 164-yard, par-three hole using a 5-wood. Adams has been playing golf for four years.

SRA fall dance on the agenda

A reminder that the SRA fall dance is scheduled for Oct. 29 this year, just a few days before Halloween. There will be awards for the best costumes, or you can come dressed casually.

The dance will be held at Finningers, 8370 North Broadway in St. Louis (across from Merollis Chevrolet), and is open to all Shell employees, retirees and their guests. SRA members pay \$10 a couple and non-members pay \$14 a couple. The price includes a buffet dinner before the dance. Tickets for the dance only will be available at the door for a reduced price.

Music will be provided by Don Shimer. The dance will go from 8 p.m. to midnight, with dinner served at 7 p.m.

Reservations for the dinner can be made by sending check or money order payable to SRA, to P.O. Box 7, Roxana, IL 62084. No cash, please. Reservations must be received by Oct. 15. Please use the form below when submitting reservations.

SRA FALL DANCE TICKET RESERVATION

Name _____ Co. No. _____
Address _____ Phone _____

No. of Tickets

_____ \$5 Each SRA Members
_____ \$7 Each Non-members
_____ Total Tickets
_____ Total Cost

CAB of the month winners

CAB winners are Worden Anderson, 150 points; Jack Turner, 125 points; and Eldon Hobson, 100 points. The club meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Shell cafeteria.

Retiree dinner reservations taken now

The time to make reservations for the 16th annual retiree dinner is now. The dinner will be held Oct. 16 at the Wood River Moose Hall.

Doors will open at 11 a.m. with the meal served at noon. The dinner is open to all Wood River retirees.

To reserve a spot at the dinner, send a check or money order for \$5.50 to **John McConnell**, secretary/treasurer of the Wood River Pensioners, 3552 Aberdeen Avenue, Alton, IL 62002. Deadline for reservations is Oct. 11. Please make checks payable to "Shell Pensioners Dinner Fund."

Please include the following information with your reservation: name, department retired from, age, date retired and town of residence.

For further information, call McConnell at 462-2596, or **Joe Lanzerotte**, president, at 259-5304.

Employees thanked for tree

Jack Barban, executive director of Pride, Incorporated, of Alton, wrote the following letter in August addressing all employees.

"We wish to thank the employees of the Wood River Manufacturing Complex for their generous contribution for a tree to be planted in honor of **Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Williams**.

"This tree will be planted in the Gordon F. Moore Community Park next spring and it will be dedicated in early May 1983. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are highly respected in the community and this tree will be a lasting tribute to them."

Anniversaries



Charlie Martin
EP & S
35 Years



Bill Frizzell
Complex Supervisor
35 years



Charles Bearden
Maintenance
30 years



Abe Coalsen
Cracking
40 years



Arlene Tutt
Maintenance
30 years



Bill Jones
Maintenance
40 years



Charlie Howard
Maintenance
35 years



Fred Fritzinger
Compounding
25 years



Mil Arth
Aromatics East
35 years

Retirement



Bob Boettcher
Dispatching
35 years

Classifieds

Stock wheels and hubcaps for El Dorado Cadillac. Will also fit Riviera or Toronado. I will accept a reasonable offer. Call Jim Sauerwein, 377-6347.

1977 Steury pop-up camper. Sleeps six, has stove and icebox. Contact Charlie Vassier, 254-0965.

1969 Camaro, 350-V8, 3-speed automatic, one owner, \$2,500. Call Rose after 5 p.m. at 314-867-8610.

For sale: 9 month membership in Glen Carbon Nautilus club. Call Betty on extension 0.

Corner lot, 85' X 105' overlooking lake in Mill Creek Park, Jersey county. Between Lockhaven Country Club and Elsay Hills subdivision. Alton city water and electric. \$7,500. Call owner at 466-6214, or Jack Graner on extension 2262.

In remembrance



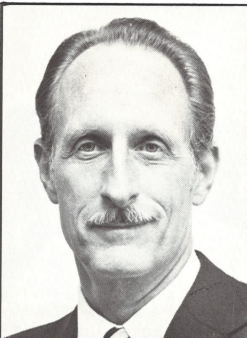
J. C. Willman

Jacob C. Willman, 83, died Sept. 5. Mr. Willman retired in 1959 after 28 years with the company.



V. E. Lich

Victor E. Lich, 77, died Aug. 26. Mr. Lich was a carpenter 1st in Engineering Field before his retirement in 1968.



W.R. "Bill" Durland became manager of the Wood River Manufacturing Complex effective Sept. 1. He succeeded Art Williams who retired after 35 years with Shell. Bill transferred to Wood River from Houston where he was manager — Plans and Analysis, Oil — West of the Rockies. The October Review will feature an interview with the new Complex manager.

Shell donation assists academic community

The Shell Companies Foundation, Inc. will devote an additional \$1 million to two new programs created to fund higher education and counter today's student trend away from academic careers.

"Our two new programs, which will be implemented right away, are especially timely in view of the administration's call for more private sector involvement in the academic community," said Doris O'Connor, senior vice president and director of the Foundation.

The programs — The Shell Faculty Career Initiation Funds and the Shell Doctoral Fellowships — are designed to attract engineering and science students to enter graduate programs and academic careers.

To direct new doctoral graduates toward academics, the Shell Faculty Career Initiation Funds program supports a new faculty member's first three years of research. The program will offer \$20,000 the first year, \$15,000 the second and \$10,000 the third year.

To attract students to graduate schools and doctoral programs in engineering and science, The Shell Doctoral Fellowships provide funds to several leading U.S. universities. A fellowship provides a full-time doctoral student with one year's academic expenses and an annual stipend of up to \$11,500.

In 1982 alone, the Shell Companies Foundation will devote \$8 million to higher education through 18 programs. Since its formation in 1953, the Foundation has contributed \$56 million to education programs.



Milo Gibbons retired from Wood River in 1943. At 100, he is Shell's oldest pensioner.

Gibbons, 100, Shell's oldest retiree

By Sue Kettenbrink

"When you get to be 100 years old you won't be so young anymore," Milo Gibbons informs a visitor, breaking into a wide grin and letting out a soft, characteristic laugh.

Gibbons, who celebrated his 100th birthday on July 18, is the oldest retiree in the Shell system. He also holds the company record for the longest retirement, having retired from the Wood River Refinery in 1943, 39 years ago.

Milo now resides at the Hitz Memorial Home in Alhambra, Ill., approximately 20 miles from Wood River.

Milo is well known around the Wood River Complex. Almost every year he attends the

annual picnic for employees with 10 or more years of service. Visiting with Shell friends brings back some memories, but they are dim remembrances. "That was a long time ago," Milo points out.

The centenarian is in excellent health, his only complaint being a very slight case of diabetes. His son reports, however, that Milo can't believe his good health.

"He just can't imagine a person being healthy at 100 years old, so he tells everyone he's a sick old man," said son Byford. No one who has met Milo would believe it.

"Thank you very much for coming. Yeah, and thanks for takin' my picture," says Milo, breaking into his easy grin once more.



Red's pride and joy:
1961 Thunderbird

Restored T-Bird takes 1st in auto show

When Red Rafferty purchased a 1961 Thunderbird two years ago for the purpose of restoring the car to its original condition, he never imagined he would end up with a prize winning show car. But after countless evening and weekend hours of meticulous restoration, that's just what he has.

The Engineering Projects and Services employee entered his first car show this summer and took third place in the 1959-64 stock production class. That accomplishment led to the Indoor Invitational Antique Auto Show held Aug. 29 in Belleville. Eight cars were judged in the 1960-65 class and Red's was chosen number one.

"Of course I am thrilled to have done so well,

but I really don't want to get too heavily involved in car shows," he said. "If a show is within easy driving distance from home, I'll consider entering."

Red shares his success with his wife, Janet, who helped him restore the classic car. White with red interior, the car features a standard slide-away steering wheel, forerunner of today's tilt-wheel.

Red estimates he spent \$3,000 for materials and hard-to-get car parts purchased from sources across the country. He had the most difficulty locating fender skirts and eventually found a set in Tucson, Ariz.

His next project? "I have a 1966 Mustang convertible at home that is just waiting for me. The T-Bird will be put in storage."



Shell shorts

Shell pitcher does it with no shots

Mike Lytton, EOS, helped wind up the softball season for the Tech team on a high note by pitching a no-hitter the last game. The game was played Aug. 12 at Kendall Hill against the team from Lab. The Tech team wrapped up the season at 10-6.

1983 Americana Calendar available

The 1983 Americana Calendar is being offered to Shell employees again this year at a specially reduced rate.

For this 12th edition, world renowned artist Charles Wysocki has adapted his inimitable style to a series of scenes out of America's homespun past. His fine paintings are reproduced in full color and detail on premium quality paper, and each picture (13" x 10 1/2") is suitable for framing.

Prices this year are: 12 calendars or more to a single address — \$4 each. Less than 12 calendars to a single address — \$4.50 each. Mailers for sending gift calendars — 30c each. Mailing and handling per order (not per calendar) — \$1.50. Overseas: add \$3 per calendar. Checks should be made payable to AMCAL and sent with orders to AMCAL, 1050 Shary Court, Concord, CA 94518.

To qualify for the special rates, please mention Shell when ordering.

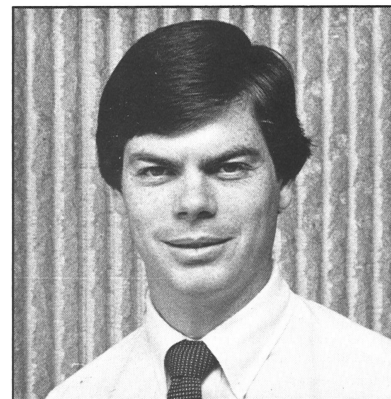
New "Shell Views" paper on heavy oil available

Heavy oil, once the ugly duckling of the oil patch, has the potential to become an attractive energy resource, concludes a new "Shell Views."

The issues paper says that heavy oil is plentiful in America, with some 55 billion of known deposits in California, Texas, Arkansas, Kansas and Wyoming. However, its physical properties make it costly to produce, transport and refine. Thus development has been slow.

But, with proper encouragement from the federal, state, and local governments, heavy oil could make a significant contribution in reducing petroleum imports. Currently, U.S. heavy oil production averages 500,000 barrels a day. The "Shell Views" says doubling this production to 1 million barrels a day would trim \$6 billion a year off the nation's imported oil bill.

Shell believes heavy oil production is hampered by three problems: the Windfall Profit Tax that reduces the economic margin between high production costs and the market price of heavy oil; disagreements between the U.S. Bureau of Mines, the Department of Energy, and the American Petroleum Institute on the standards that classify oil as "heavy"; and conflicting federal, state, and county environmental regulations on air emissions and water use which result in costly delays.



Dave McKinney

Review editorship changes

Dave McKinney has joined the Wood River Manufacturing Complex as editor - Community Relations, replacing Sue Kettenbrink who recently completed her SIU-Edwardsville student internship.

Dave transferred from Shell's Credit Card Center in Tulsa, Okla. where he was editor. In addition to editing the Wood River Review and taking part in local community activities for Shell, Dave will begin employee publications at the company's Marietta, Ohio chemical plant and Midwest Distribution operation in Chicago.

A 1975 journalism graduate of Oregon State University, Dave was a newspaper reporter for two years, and publications editor at Jantzen, Inc. in Portland, Ore. for three years before joining Shell in 1980.

"I look forward to working with employees at the Complex and learning about the oil products manufacturing business," Dave said. "I encourage employees to contact me with story and photo ideas for the Review. My extension is 2168."

WRMC bikers pedal 500 miles for charity

By Sue Kettenbrink

Most people would hardly consider riding a bicycle 500 miles in a week of vacation, but two Wood River pipefitters had a great time doing just that for the challenge and for charity.

Paul Holman and Frank Menke were two of 250 cyclists who rode upwards of 75 miles a day to make a six-day trip from downtown Chicago to Alton. BAMMI was the key word for the trip, which was sponsored by the Chicago Lung Association, the Illinois Credit Union League and the Governor's Council on Fitness and Health. The acronym stands for Bicycle Across the Magnificent Miles of Illinois, which is just what the group did.

"It was a piece of cake," said Holman, with Menke agreeing.

The two were able to contribute almost \$600 to the Lung Association from pledges made to them. Most of the pledges came from Shell employees. One operator pitched in a \$100 check because the bikers had used their vacation time to make the trip.

Menke heard about the trip first and talked to Holman about joining. "He told me it would be easy," said Menke. "I wasn't so sure, but after the first day I knew it would be a piece of cake, like he said."

Holman rides his bike to the Complex from his home in Rosewood Heights almost every day. He admits he's addicted to riding, a sport he says is easier to incorporate into everyday activities than the other great participant sport, jogging. "For instance, I can ride my bike to work and back and do two things at one time," he explained. "If I don't ride my bike everyday, I miss it."

Menke has been riding a bike steadily for about a year. He also often rides his bike to work from his home in Alton.

The pair insisted that the trek from Chicago was really no big feat. "You just don't think about it after you get riding. After a while you ask someone how far you'd come and find out you'd come 50 miles already," said Menke.

The group traveled on secondary back roads, bike paths and even through corn fields as they followed the path of the Illinois River. "Go with the flow," was the theme on the trip.



Paul Holman and Frank Menke, Wood River pipefitters, describe their six day, 500 mile bicycle trip from Chicago to Alton as a "piece of cake." The bikers collected nearly \$600 in pledges — mostly from Shell employees — for the Lung Association.

The organizers of the trip had prearranged for camping stops each night along the way. The bicyclists would pitch a tent city made up of brightly colored two-man tents. They stayed at Boy Scout and Girl Scout camps, the Illinois fair grounds and a college campus.

Each rider would pack his gear in the vehicles that traveled with the group and ride at his or her own pace to the meeting place. The vehicles also performed "sag wagon" duties, carrying cyclists who were tired, hurt or who had mechanical trouble.

Holman reports he was out and riding each day as soon as the sun came up to put in five to six hours of riding. Menke started out a bit later in the day. There was from 75 to 90 miles to be covered each day.

Both men actually ended up gaining weight on the trip. "You just ate and drank all day long," said Menke. Stations were set up every 25 or thirty miles to distribute free soda, apples and other snacks.

The other 248 bikers were a mixed bunch. There were young people and senior citizens. Families, couples and single people. There were even some handicapped riders.

"It was a really good group of people," said Holman. "I met a lot of just really nice people on the trip." Both men met people along the way who

have promised to visit and keep in touch.

"It was the best vacation I've ever had," said Holman.

"I don't know about the best, because I've had some good vacations, but it was definitely one of the best," agreed Menke.

Both Menke and Holman predict they will be on the trip again next year, and will probably take a long bike trip or two in the meantime.

"It's a great way to see the country and meet the people," said Holman. Both men would like to ride their bikes across Europe sometime soon.

Holman took a spill along the BAMMI ride and had to stop and have a bent rim and flat tire fixed. Menke managed to make it the whole 500 miles with no problems.

Safety gear that included a biking helmet, gloves, cycling shoes and shorts helped keep the riders safe on their ride.

"I always wear my helmet, even when I'm just going to the store," said Holman. Menke also found the value of the helmet when a rock thrown up from the road deflected off the front of his headgear.

Five hundred miles later, Holman and Menke want to be sure and thank all those who contributed to the lung association donations, and invite anyone interested to join the ride next year in August.



Complex supervisors taking part in a monthly safety meeting practiced with extinguishers during a fire training exercise.



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