



TOYLAND CUSTOMERS—Checking up to see what Santa Claus just might leave under their tree, two-year-old Dianne and Karen Shaw, 4, are the first shoppers at the Navy Exchange Toyland on opening day last Monday. The girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shaw, 55-A Rowe. Toyland will be open during October from 10-6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Hours of operation for November and December will be published at a later date.

Explorer Scouts Encampment Slated

Over 300 Explorer Scouts from all of Kern County will visit the Station this weekend in their annual Encampment. Most of the boys will check in Friday night and they will camp on Scoffel Field until Sunday afternoon.

Capt. H. B. Hahn, Executive Officer, will officially begin the Encampment Saturday morning with his welcoming address. The boys will be split up into four separate groups, to be led by Dr. Carl Heller, Otto Phelps, Milo Pooley and Gordon Christensen.

The groups will tour independently the guided missile area, the Naval Air Facility, and Michelson Lab, but will join together to witness a SNORT firing.

Explorer Scouts who have arranged for flight clearance will be allowed to take a flight aboard a Naval aircraft. Those not making the flight will observe static displays of aircraft and other special exhibits at the air field.

A special program, arranged by Dr. Roy Leipnik, will provide those Explorers interested in some particular field of science the opportunity to explore it more fully, aided by Navy Station scientists who have volunteered to provide their assistance.

On Saturday night, the Scouts have been invited to attend the dance at the Community Center. The ComCruDesPac band from San Diego, which will play tonight for the Adult Station Dance, will be held over to provide music for the Scouts and their guests.



ANGLING PAYS OFF—Eugene Curry (l) China Lake angler, receives the Robert L. Burns Memorial Trophy from City Council President John S. Gibson Jr., 15th District, at Los Angeles recently for reeling in a 10-pound, 1-ounce Brown trout this summer at Crowley Lake. The perpetual trophy is donated annually by the Southern California Rod and Reel Club to the prize winning angler of the year.

United Fund...

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asked to contact Glenna Mayden, Ext. 71354 during working hours, or Ext. 724394, after 5 p.m., for calendar entry, and for subsequent approval by the United Fund organization.

Campaigners Meeting
Yesterday at the Community Center, team captains and their keymen met for the first of two training sessions. Executive Officer Capt. H. B. Hahn, representing Station Commander Capt. W. W. Hollister, urged those present to make certain that every Station employee is given the opportunity to help provide the funds needed for the various agencies included in the organization. The Reverend L. L. James, president of the Indian Wells Valley Ministerial Fellowship, was spokesman for the Ridgecrest-Inyokern areas.

Discussion of campaign procedures succeeded short talks by delegates from each of the participating agencies. Discussing the functions of their organizations were: Vaughn Adamson, Boy Scouts; Betty Taylor, local Council Chairman of the Girl Scouts; Maurice Clifton, Desert Area Emergency Relief; Cdr. Sid Brooks, Desert Area Family Service; Joseph Herbert, District Salvation Army representative from Los Angeles, and Harris Austin, District Officer of the American Red Cross from Bakersfield.

The second and last campaign procedures meeting will be held next Thursday, October 15, with the actual drive for funds beginning the following Monday, October 19.

Campaign Captains
Selected to serve as team captains for collection on the Station are:

Code	Team	Phone
Served	Captain	
00, 01, 11,	Mac, S. H. Carpenter	72622
12, 14, 15,	Elizabeth A. Lopez	71574
16	Li. Frank O. Bory	8317
25	William D. Giono	71574
30	G. R. Schriever	712333
35	Robert D. Green	8300
40	Doris Dudley	71782
45	Clarence J. Keene	9288
50	Doris M. Rickhoff	72829
55	Maurice Curtis	71789
65	Joseph E. Doucette	72676
70	A. A. Tewksbury	72024
75	Beverly Johnson	72766
85	Ellen F. Schilling	71375
86, 9502	Li. Col. E. C. Kuhn	71340
87, 88	C. J. Dougherty, HM2	72911
9225	Li. (jg) E. I. Ewoldsen	712255
9376	Li. Col. Jack H. Robcke	8377
857	Ens. Walter Mickelson	72204

Hide Your Medicine; It's Not for Children

"Child deaths due to an overdose of medicine can be prevented," said Dr. D. T. Boyd, Kern County Health Officer. He noted that with the approaching winter season, people will have more medicines on hand and they should make certain now that such medicines are out of the reach of children.

Dr. Boyd cautioned that all medicines are potential killers if taken in overdose and that now is the time to provide a safe place for their storage. Old medicines and unused prescriptions should be destroyed in such manner that they cannot be recovered by children. Liquids should be poured down the drain and pills or other solid drugs should also be destroyed.

"The natural tendency of children to imitate adults who take medicines can have disastrous results because youngsters are more easily overdosed," the health officer added. With their inclination to put things into their mouths, the danger becomes greater.

Everyone should look around the house—not only for containers marked "poison," and ones requiring a prescription, but for such common medicines as pain relievers, and cough syrups.

Experience is dangerous. Experience shows us what cannot be done. It shows us all the reasons for not doing it.

Down in their hearts wise men know this truth; the only way to help yourself is to help others.—Elbert Hubbard.



TROPHY COLLECTOR—Pfc. Philip W. Pierson, top Marine Barracks swimmer, and Lt. Col. R. C. Kuhn, hold the Intramural Swim Trophy, won for the Barracks by Pierson at the recent Intramural Swim Championship competition. Of the six events, Pierson took first place in four. Other trophies shown are individual awards made directly to the swimmer. The young Marine is the Barracks' bugler, and is now playing football for the Barracks' intramural squad. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Weston Pierson, 315 W. Tulare, Visalia, Calif.

Children's Film Season Opens

The Children's Film Society opens its 1959-60 season at its 10 to 11:20 a.m. show tomorrow, Oct. 10, at the Station Theatre. Showings are scheduled for the second Saturday of each month from October through May.

Films have been selected to provide a balance of education, sports, humor, and for the edification and amusement of the school age members.

Membership tickets of the Society will be sold at the Station Theatre box office tomorrow starting at 9 a.m. and before each subsequent showing during the season. No memberships will be sold in classrooms this year.

School age children may buy a season membership for \$1. Pre-school children accompanying bigger brothers or sisters will be issued free membership cards upon request. Parents are welcome when accompanied by a member of the Society.

Scheduled for tomorrow's showing are: "Admirals in the Making"; "Bicycle Safety"; "How Man Learned to Count"; "The Story of Any Burg, USA"; and "Junior Rodeo Daredevils."

The Children's Film Society is an instrumentality of the China Lake Elementary School PTA and all profits of the Society accrue to the PTA fund.



VIP VISITS—The Honorable James H. Wakelin, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development, receives a briefing on Sidewinder prior to a firing at Tower 9 last Friday, from Dr. Wm. B. McLean and Capt. W. W. Hollister. In addition to a Sidewinder kill by Cdr. Sel May, the Secretary witnessed a ripple firing of Zuni and left bombing.

UNITED FUND
BENEFIT SHOW
Station Theatre
Monday,
Oct. 12
8:30 p.m.

Budd Gott, Editor

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Loans Upped Congress Expands Credit Union Policy

Congress recently passed, and the President has approved, legislation which completely rewrites the Federal Credit Union Act and also provides for a number of substantive changes.

Two of the new provisions became effective immediately, while the others will require by law amendments or will become effective only upon issuance of rules and regulations.

The two amendments which are now in effect without further action by either the Bureau of Federal Credit Unions or the Federal Credit Union Act are: one increases the maximum maturity of loans from three to five years; the other increases the unsecured loan limit from \$400 to \$750.

Now in its 26th year, the Federal Credit Union Act has been granted extended powers and new authorities by Congress, largely because Federal credit unions generally have provided prudent management and established an experience record which justifies the expansion of the powers of Federal credit unions.

Fire Equipment To Parade in Housing Areas Tomorrow

Climaxing Fire Prevention Week activity will be the parade of fire fighting and rescue apparatus through the housing areas tomorrow morning.

Traveling over the 21-mile route will be the Fire Chief's pickup, one 750-gpm triple combination pumper, a salvage and rescue vehicle, an MB-5 crash truck, one MB-1 crash truck and the Assistant Fire Chief's pickup.

The parade will start at Fire Station 1 at 10 a.m. The parade route covers most of the streets in the housing areas of the Station.

Approximate time of arrival of the parade at specific points will be as follows:

Leave Fire Station 1	10:00
Nimitz and Wasp Road	10:10
Richmond and Saratoga	10:25
Wherry Housing	10:45
Prefab housing	10:55
Lauritsen and Langley	11:00
Lauritsen and Groves	11:20
Fire Station 1	11:30

Although Fire Prevention Week officially ends tomorrow, the need for constant vigilance against fire is ever with us. Practice all forms of fire prevention every day in every way.

Plans Laid for '60 County Art Festival

Again sponsored by the Kern County Parks and Recreation Department, plans for the twelfth annual County Art Festival are well underway.

The County is divided into districts, with each district holding its own festival. District winners compete in the county finals held in Bakersfield in May.

The China Lake-Ridgecrest-Inyokern area has been designated as District IV. There will be separate divisions for high school and elementary students and for adults (both professional and non-professional). Within each of these divisions will be separate classifications for realistic and for abstract art.

For the first time, the 1960 Art Festival will have commercial art which may be submitted for judging.

Artists, this year, may submit paintings made from photograph which the artist has taken. Paintings must have been executed during the past year.

The local District Art Festival, scheduled for early spring, will be aided by the Desert Art League. The Festivals are designed to encourage original art by participation in and appreciation of art by both youth and adults, as well as to recognize meritorious work done by Kern County artists.

Public Works Crews Turn On Gas Space Heaters

It's that time of the year again when crews from Public Works Department condition the natural gas space heaters in Station houses for winter heating.

Tenants are requested to remove combustible articles to a safe distance from the heaters. Don't give fire a place to start.

'Public Relations' Highlight Gold Plate Dinner



BPW LAUNCH NBWW—Sponsored by the Kern Desert BPW Club, last Monday's Gold Plate Dinner launching National Business Women's Week draws a full-capacity attendance of leading citizens from the China Lake-Ridgecrest community and members of both local Business and Professional Women's Clubs. Shown at the head table (l-r) are: Nels Hasselblad, guest speaker from Los Angeles; Georgya Ellis, president of the Kern Desert BPW Club; Capt. and Mrs. W. W. Hollister; and Bill Danley, president of the local chapter of National Supervisors Ass'n.

Oldtime Vaudeville Hurls 1960 United Fund in Orbit

Kicking off this year's Indian Wells Valley United Fund effort will be the Vaudeville Show to be presented next Monday, Oct. 12, at the Station Theatre by the San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce Trade Club. All residents of the Valley have been invited to attend the four-act Show, which begins at 8:30 p.m.

Proceeds from admission prices of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children will constitute the first money received by the United Fund in the 1960 campaign.

The Trade Club Show, besides being a Campaign benefit, will also serve to advertise "Military Appreciation Day," an annual promotional event produced by the merchants of San Bernardino, honoring military and civilian personnel of the eight military installations located near that city. "Military Appreciation Day" is to be held next Saturday, October 17. All NOTS personnel have been invited to browse through the stores and shops in San Bernardino, and to sign up for drawings at all stores displaying special blue and gold banners.

Store prize winners will be drawn in each participating store on October 19; those who have signed up need not be present to win. Major prizes will be drawn on the following Wednesday. As soon as received, the Rocketeer will publish the list of prize winners from this Station.

Vaudeville Talent

The comedy team of Claude Stroud and Peter James will provide top entertainment. Both men are show-business veterans and both have had stage, screen, TV and radio experience. Stroud, besides playing straight man for James, will serve as master of ceremonies. The two men teamed up early in 1958 to tour Alaskan military installations and they have just recently returned from appearances at military bases.

Season Tickets for Local Civic Concerts Are Still Available

The NOTS Civic Concert season for 1959-60 is due to open in a few weeks with an exceptional array of artists to be presented here.

Leon Fleisher, outstanding pianist-musician of his generation, will open the season on Nov. 12. The four remaining concerts of the season will take place January 8, February 8, February 26, and April 5.

Residents of Indian Wells Valley are reminded that season tickets may be obtained from Dr. Ivar E. Highberg, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Ext. 724112.

Community Council Candidates Needed

The election of directors of the China Lake Community Council will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 3, according to Don Moore, Council President.

Additional candidates are needed from all precincts. President Moore urges that anyone interested in proposing a candidate or serving on the Council, call Tillie Mayberry, Ext. 72290, between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

Deadline for nominations will be Oct. 20.

Precinct candidates and vacancies are listed below:
Precinct 1 and 2—open; Precinct 3—John Gardner; Precinct 4—Joe Smith, incumbent; Precinct 5—Austin Ross, incumbent, and Williams K. Webster; Precinct 6—open; Precinct 7—Georgia Bushnell; Precinct 8—open; Precinct 9—Tim F. Daniels, incumbent; and Precinct 10—open.



TO APPEAR HERE—These three gorgeous blondes, known as the "Del Rubio Trio," will be one of the featured acts in the United Fund Show to be held at the Station Theatre next Monday evening. They have appeared with Bob Hope and toured with Xavier Cugat and his orchestra for three years. They specialize in both Latin and American songs.

throughout the Far East. Stroud has appeared in both comedy and dramatic major TV shows, and has held major roles in several motion pictures. James, formerly known as vaudevillean Bobby Pinkus, was associated with Spike Jones and his various acts over several years. He played the Palladium in London, and while there, played before the King and Queen in a command performance.

Bag-Punchers

One of the most unusual of show business oddities will be on stage during the Trade Club Show. This is the husband-and-wife team of Ross and Ross, Olympic bag-punchers. Through special apparatus, they present their incomparable act to music. They have performed at many military installations, and one of the most humorous portions of their act is brought about when members of the audience are asked to participate on stage.

An unusual and outstanding comedy ventriloquist, Hank Sieman will present many tricks of ventriloquism not ordinarily seen, using highly humorous material and stunts as he works with his dummy. He, too, has been working exclusively as an entertainer at military installations, and has only recently returned to the United States from overseas appearances.

Gorgeous Gals
The Del Rubio Trio, consisting of three gorgeous platinum blondes who have been featured for about three years with Xavier Cugat and his orchestra, make up the fourth act to be featured at Monday night's special attraction. The girls have also worked at the Statler hotels, and in many other hotels throughout the country. They may also be remembered for appearances on Bob Hope's TV show.

The Del Rubios, in addition to being most attractive, have real vocal talent and present both Latin and American tunes.

San Bernardino Representatives
Representing the Chamber of Commerce, and some of the city's retail establishments and financial institutions, will be ten senior citizens from San Bernardino who

will accompany the Trade Club Show to NOTS. Representing Mayor Raymond H. Gregory will be William Howard. Others planning to attend are Hal W. Lewis, George W. Savage and William Hauser, president, first vice-president and secretary-manager of the Chamber of Commerce, respectively. Art Obst, representing Bennett Meyers, chairman of the Military Appreciation program of the Retail Division of the Chamber, and Jim Honts, Retail Division chairman, will also be included in the party to arrive here Monday afternoon.

United Fund Goal Set

At a final meeting of the Budget and Admission Committee last Tuesday afternoon, a goal of \$35,500 was established for this year's campaign. Agencies to be benefited by the fund drive and the individual needs of each group include: Boy Scouts—\$6,263; Desert Area Emergency Relief—\$1,200; Desert Area Family Service—\$9,583; Girl Scouts—\$5,500; Indian Wells Valley Recreation Council—\$2,654; Red Cross—\$5,800; and Salvation Army—\$2,000.

Eight other agencies have been lumped into an overall category of "health and welfare groups," for which \$2,500 has been requisitioned. These agencies are: the American Hearing Society, California Association for Health and Welfare, Children's Home Society of California, Medical Research Program, National Recreation Association, National Travelers' Aid Association, National Urban League and the United Service Organizations (USO).

Four-Phase Operation
According to William Duarte, campaign manager, this year's drive will be a four-phase operation. Collections will be on-the-job on the Station, and by on-the-job and house-to-house solicitation in Ridgecrest and Inyokern. Organizations within all areas have been requested to sponsor money-raising projects to benefit the United Fund.

Groups desirous of participating in such fund-raising projects are (Continued on Page 4)

TEMPERATURES

	Max.	Min.
Oct. 2	76	55
Oct. 3	82	57
Oct. 4	87	53
Oct. 5	86	53
Oct. 6	85	55
Oct. 7	80	50
Oct. 8	78	48



ROUNDNESS MEASUREMENT DEVICE—One of the 22 Indi-Rons in existence in the United States is installed in the Inspection and Mechanical Standards Branch of Engineering Department. Inspecting the instrument (standing 1-r) are: R. M. Leard, Head of Quality Engineering Division; W. E. Cummings, Head of Inspection and Mechanical Standards Branch, and M. Stevens of the Cleveland Instrument Co. The other company representative, L. Nelson, adjusts the new instrument to read to 10-millionths of an inch.

Promotional Opportunities

Only persons currently employed on this Station may apply for the following positions, and up-to-date forms 58 should be submitted when applying.

Clerks, GS-201-4, PD28329AmI, Code 301. The incumbent is responsible for collecting and distributing all data, film, magnetic tapes, teletype records, and assessed data to other organizations for the Project Engineering Division. Some typing is necessary. Statistical Clerk (Typing), GS-4, PD14656-A, Code 251. Compiling and analyzing statistics on various surveys and presenting in graphic, chart or tabulated form.

File applications for above positions with Personnel Bldg., Room 34, Ext. 72032 by Oct. 16.

Budget Analyst, GS-560-7, PD18064-2, Code 173. Budget preparation in collaboration with department personnel, review and analysis of department estimates budget execution and administration; special assignments.

Budget Analyst, GS-560-11, PD18244, Code 173. Budget preparation in collaboration with department personnel, review and analysis of department estimates budget execution and administration; special assignments.

Budget Analyst, GS-560-11, PD18233, Code 173. Budget preparation, execution, management, and assignments. Drafting and developing instructions and guidelines, providing advice and assistance to departments, reviewing and analyzing the estimates submitted, etc.

Physicist (General), BS-1310-11, PD33384, 72069.

Sport Slants

By Chuck Mangold, Athletic Director

The Station football season got underway last week with two well played games. Tuesday night MCGMTU won a hard fought game from VX-5 by a score of 8-7. On Thursday night, NAF, last year's champions, came from behind to score an 18-13 win over the Marine Barracks in a real thriller. Intramural football is played each Tuesday and Thursday nights at Kelly Field. All games start at 7 p.m., and admission is free.

Annual United Fund Game

One of the outstanding events of the United Fund campaign will be the Second Annual Navy-Marine Football Game on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, at 11 a.m. All proceeds from the 50-cent admission tickets will be added to the campaign total. The game is sponsored by the Special Services Division. Players will be selected from within the Station's Intramural Football League.

Tuesday, Oct. 13
Probable Lineups

NAF	Position	MCGMTU
Richardson	LE	Hunt
Leeper	LT	Apadaca
Williams	C	Hamilton
Merrill	RT	Jackson

Intramural League Football Schedule

All Games Start at 7 p.m.

Date	Game
Tuesday, October 13	NAF vs MCGMTU
Thursday, October 15	VX-5 vs Marine Barracks
Tuesday, October 20	MCGMTU vs VX-5
Thursday, October 22	NAF vs Marine Barracks
Tuesday, October 27	VX-5 vs NAF
Thursday, October 29	MCGMTU vs Marine Barracks
Thursday, November 3	NAF vs MCGMTU
Thursday, November 5	VX-5 vs Marine Barracks

Second Annual United Fund Benefit Game
NAVY vs MARINE ALL-STAR
Thanksgiving Day - 11 a.m.
Thursday, November 26

New True Rounding Instrument Insures Precision Accuracy

True roundness measurements are now possible through the purchase and installation of an Indi-Ron, according to William E. Cummings, Head of the Inspection and Mechanical Standards Branch in the Engineering Department. There are only 22 instruments of this type in the United States.

The entire instrument and its associated controls are mounted in a small desk-sized unit. The device automatically draws a circular graph which displays eccentricity, location of roundness error, and type of lobing which are present.

Parts weighing up to 75 lbs. may be placed on the instrument's turntable for checking. Parts may range in size from 1/16th inch to 16 inches in diameter. The spindle run-out is less than 3-millionths of an inch. By rotating the part instead of the gauge head as is usually done, it is possible to refer the concentricity and roundness of several diameters to each other accurately and simultaneously.

The built-in gauging system provides three measurement ranges with magnification up to 10,000 times. Displacements of 10-thousandths of an inch to less than 10-millionths of an inch are presented graphically.

According to Maurice Curtis, Associate Head of the Quality Engineering Division, the instrument will be of considerable value in connection with certain gyro and inertial guidance developments presently underway on the Station. Increased inspection accuracy on precision round parts will lead to better manufacturing techniques and increase product reliability. The addition of this instrument is part of a continuing effort on the part of the Engineering Department to provide more accurate measurements and standards for the Station.

GEBA

Members of the Government Employees Benefit Association, and their guests will hold a general meeting at the Anchorage on Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments and entertainment are planned for the occasion.

Home Nursing Class

A series of seven Red Cross home nursing classes will start Wednesday, Oct. 21, from 7 to 10 p.m. in Burroughs High School, Room 23. Classes will be held once a week.

The Red Cross sponsored course is free of charge and will be instructed by Ruth Stone, R.N. Registrations will be taken at the first meeting on Oct. 21.

Unitarian Fellowship

The subject of "Ancient Religions" will be discussed at the next meeting of the Unitarian Fellowship on Sunday, Oct. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Anchorage.

This is the second in a series of study seminars on the world's religions and will include those of ancient Egypt. The program will be conducted by Eleanor Lotee and Mary Ann Moore. The public is invited.

Navy League Meets

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Chemical Society Meets

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Jewish Holy Days

End This Weekend

The end of Jewish Holy Days, Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement), will be observed this weekend from sundown on Sunday, October 11, through sundown on Monday, October 12.

Sunday services will be held at 7 p.m. in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel. Monday services will start at 10 a.m., followed by Yizkor at 11 a.m. Light refreshments will be served after the 3 p.m. conclusion services.

Persons attending the services are requested to be 15 minutes early.

COMING EVENTS

BPW Luncheon Club

A surprise first program meeting of the China Lake Business and Professional Women's Club will be held next Tuesday, Oct. 13, beginning at 11:30.

NROC 11-1

Arthur C. Knox, representative of the North American Aviation will discuss "Aircraft Emergency Escape Systems" at the meeting of the Naval Reserve Ordnance Company, 11-1, on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in Room A. Michelson Laboratory.

Bazaar and Bake Sale

The China Lake Navy Wives Club will hold a bazaar and a bake sale in Bennington Plaza next Friday, Oct. 16 from 1-6 p.m. Home-baked desserts and handmade articles will be on sale.

Cub Packs To Meet

Cub Scout Pack No. 412, sponsored by the NOTS Fire Department, will meet Saturday, Oct. 10, at 8 a.m. on the grounds of Fire Station 1 for the changing of the watch. The new charter will be presented to the firemen, and coffee and donuts will be served.

Openings remain for new boys between the ages of 8 and 10. Cubmaster E. G. Smith, Ext. 75234, or Dorothy Kelly, secretary, Ext. 75751, may be contacted for applications. Pack meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at Richmond School.

Cub Scout Pack 103 will meet on each second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Groves School.

Cub Scout Pack 162 will meet Tuesday, October 13, at 6:45 p.m. at the Elks Club, Ridgecrest. Boys 8 to 10½ years of age are invited to attend. They should be accompanied by a parent.

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Searles Valley Joins IWW Girl Scout Area

At the first meeting of the year of the Indian Wells Valley District of the Girl Scouts, Kern County Council, the District's newest neighborhood—The Searles Valley Neighborhood Association of Girl Scouts—was welcomed into the local Council by Betty Taylor, District Chairman, and Peg Adams, Co-chairman.

With service team operations located at Trona, the new neighborhood encompasses all of the townships and small communities within Searles Valley.

The Indian Wells Valley District now numbers four neighborhoods. Previous to the new addition, District administration covered the Juniper and Redwood neighborhoods at China Lake, and the Tamarack Neighborhood serving Ridgecrest and Inyokern.

Chairman of the four Neighborhood units are: Mrs. L. W. Brubaker, Redwood; Helen Williams, Juniper; Margaret Bernhardt, Tamarack and Mildred Hess, Searles Valley.

The 1959-60 budget, date of the Girl Scout Calendar Sale (set for the week of November 16-22); the pending change in the District name; the United Fund drive; Council, District and Neighborhood goals for the year, and an evaluation of the material contained in proposed revisions to the Kern County Council's by-laws were included in the business discussion.

The next meeting of the IWW Girl Scout District will be held Monday, October 12, at 9 a.m. in the Girl Scout House on the Station.

Return Telephone Card: Billing Dates to Change

Telephone Directory cards which are being distributed today with paychecks to Civil Service employees should be completed and returned to the Telephone Business Office, Code 8544, not later than Oct. 23, according to Lt. (jg) Lloyd Thorsen, Communications Officer.

Billing Dates Change

Starting in November, customer's billing for the month of October will cover toll charges incurred from Sept. 21 to the last day of October. Thereafter, billing dates will cover charges from the first to the last day of the month.

Under the revised billing dates, bills will be received on or about the 12th of the month. Unpaid bills will become delinquent 15 days after the date shown on the bill. In addition to the 15 days, a grace period of 5 days will be allotted before the service is disconnected.

Hereafter, persons requesting telephone disconnections will be charged for actual days of usage. Notices of termination should be submitted to the telephone office five days in advance.

Personnel on extended leave should notify the business office to prevent disconnection.

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What's Doing IN RECREATION

By Jean Cone, Recreation Director

If you like to dance or listen to the music of a really big band, don't miss the Adult Station Dance at the Community Center tonight, Friday, Oct. 9. The 17-piece ComCruDesPac Band from San Diego will play for this dance starting at 9 p.m. There will be an admission charge of \$1 for men, women are admitted free.

Cactus Squares Guest Caller

The Cactus Squares dance club of China Lake will have Max Normando, well-known caller from Whittier, as their guest caller for tomorrow night, Oct. 9, at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Hut (formerly Supervisor's Hut). Normando is well known to square dancers in the Indian Wells Valley, having called here on several previous occasions.

Eight couples will accompany him from Whittier. All square dancers in the area are urged to take advantage of the opportunity to dance to this outstanding caller. Admission charge will be \$1 per person. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of dancing.

Pacific Ocean Park Closes

Effective October 11, Pacific Ocean Park's 1959 season will be closed. Their 1960 season will be announced early next year. All discount coupons previously issued at the Community Center receptionist counter will therefore be void after this closing date.

United Notes

Over a hundred people were on hand to make the first function of the semi-organized single peoples group a fun-for-all affair. Selected by audience applause "Untied Nots" won for its suggestor, Merion Fox, a \$10 award.

Special appreciation goes to the RAFT Club for lending decorations, and to those RAFT members who did a superlative job on the decorations, and who also served as a voluntary clean-up committee.

The next activity of the "Untied Nots" will be Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Anchorage, when the Halloween Carnival will provide a carefree atmosphere for frolic with the ghosts and witches.

There will be a meeting next Tuesday, Oct. 13, in Room 8 of the Community Center of those who wish to volunteer to help plan for the Halloween Carnival. Single adults over 21 are invited to attend, and to offer their aid to make this function one to be remembered.

RAFT Club

The RAFT Club Saturday schedule for the remainder of October will be as follows: This Saturday, October 10, open hours will be from 2-4:30 p.m. Hours from 6-10 p.m. are reserved for the Junior and Senior Ballroom Cotillion, which will continue through the fall season.

Next Saturday, October 17, will be "Happy Birthday" dance night, and the Club will be open to all RAFT Club members and their guests. October 24 will again be reserved for the Cotillion, and the Club will be open as regularly scheduled for all members on October 31. This change in policy is planned to more completely utilize Club facilities as a youth center.

Friday, the day before Halloween, is set aside as the "Witching Hour" at the Club. Members are in for a fun-filled evening, lots of surprises and entertainment. There'll be prizes for the most original or the best costumes; witches brew will be served along with a surprise combo giving with the special music. There's to be a real great floor show, with a fortune teller of extraordinary clairvoyancy.

There will be another roller-skating party at Lancaster this month, providing that members sign up at the Club office, fast.

GEBA Assessment

No. 33 Is Now Due

Assessment No. 33 is now due and payable by members of the Government Employees Benefit Association. A check for \$1000 was recently paid to the beneficiary of Glenn A. Losh who had been employed in the Public Works' Metal Shop.

Payments of \$110 may be mailed to Frank M. Brady, secretary-treasurer, at 802-A Groves Street, China Lake.

Membership in the Association now totals 1030, according to Mr. Brady. The GEBA provides a source of immediate unattachable cash for the family of a member who dies. The secretary-treasurer may be contacted at Ext. 77942 for applications and general information concerning the Association.

There will be a general meeting at the Anchorage next Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 7:30 p.m. for GEBA members and their guests.

Reservists To Tour Here

Naval Reservists at NOTS for their annual two-week active duty tour will visit Pasadena activities for two days, next Monday and Tuesday, October 12-13.

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News From Pasadena

Federal Bills Pass

Holiday Bill

If a legal holiday falls on Saturday, federal employees hereafter get a three-day weekend.

President Eisenhower signed into law September 22 a bill saying if a legal holiday falls on Saturday, the preceding day shall be considered a holiday for those on a Monday through Friday work week.

Per Diem Wage Boost

Other news affecting federal employees this week includes a telegram to NFFE Local 1101 from their Washington, D. C. headquarters reading: "Navy just announced new schedules (for per diem employees) your locality effective first pay period after 17 October. Average increase 7 cents."

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