



FINAL CONCERT OF SEASON — The 85-member Utah Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Maurice Abravanel, will be here on Monday night at the Center theater for the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association's final program of the 1978-79 season. This superb musical group is considered by critics to be one of the top 10 or 12 orchestras in the United States.

Stage play comedy to be presented by Adult School F.U.N. Theatre gp.

The Sierra Sands Adult School's F.U.N. (Flamboyant, Unabashed, Nighttime) Theatre group, directed by Alan Kubik, will present Neil Simon's comedy, "The Good Doctor," with original music by Peter Link, in the Burroughs High School lecture center tonight at 8:15.

There will be a repeat performance tomorrow night at the same time.

"The Good Doctor" is based on stories by Anton Chekov and includes 12 vignettes, two of which are about a harridan who storms a bank and upbraids the manager for his gout and a lack of money, and a father who takes his son to a house where he will be initiated into the mysteries of sex, only to relent at the last moment and leave the boy more perplexed than ever. The rest are just as hilarious.

Featured in the cast are many of the Indian Wells Valley's favorite community theatre performers including Pat, Ralph and Robert Schwarzbach, Fred Stahlman, Pat White, Steve Carter, Kathy Schimpf, Kathy Huey, Don Fredette, Denise Wehle, Brian Weathersbee, Dave Craddock, Juli Pinney and Steve Pugh.

Burroughs singers to present varied music program on Tuesday

A varied program ranging from classical and popular to sacred and secular music will be presented by Burroughs High School students on Tuesday, starting at 7:30 p.m., at the lecture center.

The public is invited to hear presentations by the mixed chorus, concert choir, swing choir, Madrigal singers, girls' ensemble, and by a barbershop quartet.

A mixed chorus of 35 students will sing musical selections running the gamut from Beethoven and Latin works to "Jesus Christ Superstar" and music from "West Side Story." Soloist Kathy Karner will be featured singing "I Don't Know How To Love Him."

The 26-member concert choir will present sacred and secular music in German, Latin and English, while the swing choir will do contemporary 20th Century popular music and vocal jazz, accompanied by Kathy Sippel, Carol Boot and Vicki Battaglia.

Tammy Butler will accompany the Madrigal singers, who will present music from the 16th Century Madrigals, and also the girls' ensemble, whose members will sing "The Willow Song" by Alfred Reed from Shakespeare's "Othello."

Finally, the high school's barbershop quartet will perform Scott Joplin's "The Entertainer."

Tickets, priced at \$1.50 for general admission, can be purchased from participating students and also will be on sale Tuesday night at the lecture center box office.

Tom Lehmann, two time winner of Community Light Opera and Theatre Association's "best actor" award is Kubik's assistant director. Other backstage personnel include Robert Schwarzbach, lighting designer; Matt Doig, lighting director, assisted by Gunnar Andersen; Michael Hastings, audio technician; Galen White, stage manager; Jean Lehmann, set dresser; Randi Thompson, properties mistress; Pat White, costume coordinator; and Steve Carter, makeup supervisor.

Tickets, priced at \$2.50 for general admission and \$1.50 for students, enlisted personnel and senior citizens, can be purchased from cast members or at the lecture center box office before each performance.

Deadline is April 1 for entries in Art Festival

Persons interested in submitting entries in the Desert Art League's Festival of Art are reminded that application blanks and fees are due by April 1.

Application blanks are attached to the rules for the festival and may be obtained at the Ridgecrest and China Lake Libraries, the Community Center, from Dennis Weathers at Cerro Coso Community College, and at the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce office.



SWEEPS SHOW — Helen Powers was the top winner in the 30th annual Desert Ceramic Club show with her entry of an exotic bird, which earned her the honor of "Best of Show Public 1979" and "Best of Show Membership 1979." Mrs. Powers, who has been a Desert Ceramic Club member for about 12 years, retired from the Naval Ordnance Test Station some 31 years ago. She lives at China Lake Acres and says except for a few ribbons at other shows, this is the first time one of her entries has ever won her a prize. The show was held last Sunday and Monday at the Community Center.

Music lovers due for treat; Utah Symphony to play here Mon. night

Music lovers of the Indian Wells Valley and surrounding areas have a treat in store for them on Monday night when the 85-member Utah Symphony Orchestra will return by popular demand for its third local appearance in a decade at the Center theater.

Starting time for this, the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association's final program of the 1978-79 season, will be 7:30 p.m., and a sellout crowd is expected.

Featured on Monday night's program will be the "Unfinished Symphony" by Schubert, "Death and Transfiguration" by Richard Strauss, and "Pictures at an Exhibition" by Moussorgsky-Ravel.

The Utah Symphony Orchestra was established on a permanent professional basis in 1946. The following year, Maurice Abravanel was engaged as the orchestra's musical director and the entire season consisted of ten concerts.

Abravanel has stayed on for 32 years and, during this time has built the once fledgling orchestra into one of America's leading instrumental musical ensembles that is now ranked among the top 10 or 12 orchestras in the United States.

The Utah Symphony Orchestra became national and international in scope when it began making commercial recordings in 1957. Since that time, more than one million copies of the orchestra's 94 recordings have been sold throughout the world.

Abravanel and the Utah Symphony made their first international tour in 1966. This was followed by three other tours covering Europe and Latin America. At the present time, the orchestra travels some 16,000 miles each year, giving more than 200 concerts in every corner of its home state, as well as in other western states. This is in addition to tours abroad to Europe, England and South America.

The popularity of the Utah Symphony Orchestra rests on its repertoire — a rich blend of celebrated classical works and the best of contemporary orchestral music. This is a range which Maestro Abravanel considers essential to a first-rate symphony.



Commissioned Officers' Mess

Dancing to recorded disco music will be featured tonight at the Commissioned Officers' Mess, from 8:30 to 12:30 a.m.

There will be two special evenings at the COM during the coming week.

Tuesday, March 27, will be "Italian Night," featuring all the spaghetti and meat sauce you can eat.

Thursday, March 29, will be "King of Roasts Nite" with prime rib of beef being the special of the evening.

Dinner will be served from 6 to 9 o'clock on both nights.

CPO Club

Tomorrow night the Chief Petty Officers' Club will hold its annual CPO Military Ball. On the menu for this special evening will be a full course dinner consisting of prime rib of beef, dinner wine, tossed salad, potato, and vegetable.

Entertainment will be provided by a six-piece band from the Los Angeles area called "The Summer Breeze."

This annual dinner-dance is in honor of all Chief Petty Officers.

Tickets for this gala event can be purchased at the CPO Club office. Attire for the evening will be semi-formal.

Enlisted Mess

On the menu at the Enlisted mess tonight will be a seafood platter with lobster which will be served from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Following the evening's meal at 9 p.m. there will be dancing to "Blue Jeans Disco" until 1:30 a.m.

phonic performance and musical understanding.

General admission tickets to Monday night's concert program are priced at \$6, or \$4 for those over 65, under 21 and enlisted military personnel. They can be purchased in Ridgecrest at the Music Man, Medical Arts Pharmacy, Gift Mart, the Drummond Medical Center Pharmacy, Sports, Etc., and Lilly's Dress Shop, and also at the Inyokern Market.

On Monday, the box office at the Center theater will be open from 4:45 to 7:15 p.m. to sell any tickets which still remain.

Special event passes will be available at both NWC gates. Those not having NWC passes should be prepared to show their tickets or season membership cards to the guards on duty in order to expedite entry.

Additional information about tickets for the concert can be obtained from the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association, which can be contacted at any time by calling 375-5600.

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(For Synopsis information call Code-O-Phone 939-2411.)

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"PIRANHA"
Starring
Bradford Dillman and Heather Menzies
(96 min., rated R)

SATURDAY MARCH 24
"AGAINST THE CROOKED SKY"
Starring
Richard Boone and Steward Paterson
(86 min., rated G)
1:30 Matinee — regular adm.
"A WEDDING"
Carol Burnett and Desi Arnaz, Jr.
(125 min., rated PG)

MONDAY MARCH 26
The IWV Concert Ass'n
Presents
THE UTAH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY MARCH 27
"NATIONAL LAMPOON'S ANIMAL HOUSE"
Starring
John Belushi and Tim Matheson
(109 min., rated R)

WEDNESDAY MARCH 28
"BLACKOUT"
Starring
Jim Milchum and Robert Carradine
(92 min., rated R)

FRIDAY MARCH 30
"INTERIORS"
Starring
Dianne Keaton and Richard Jordan
(92 min., rated PG)

SATURDAY MARCH 31
"WATCH OUT WE'RE MAD"
Starring
Bud Spencer and Terrence Hill
(102 min., rated G)
1:30 Matinee — regular adm.
"GOODBYE FRANKLIN HIGH"
Starring
Lane Caudell and Julie Adams
(93 min., rated PG)

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CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED — Bob Hillyer, NWC Technical Director, expresses his personal appreciation and congratulations as he presents the Technical Director Award to Clyde R. Lebsock (at left), head of the Phoenix Ordnance Components Technical Office. The presentation took place in the Management Center of Michelson Laboratory during the Commander's meeting held Monday morning. —Photo by Ron Allen

Lebsock receives Technical Director Award for Phoenix missile program leadership

Clyde R. Lebsock, head of the Phoenix Ordnance Components Technical Office (Code 33302) in the NWC Fuze and Sensors Department, was honored Monday as the latest recipient of the Naval Weapons Center's Technical Director Award.

Lebsock, who has headed Code 33302 since its establishment in 1977, was complimented by Bob Hillyer, NWC Technical Director, for his excellent technical leadership of the Phoenix air-to-air missile team — a group whose work over the past 2½ years has resulted in significant improvements to key components of the Phoenix missile.

According to Hillyer, who presented the Technical Director Award during the weekly Commander's meeting, the most recent accomplishment of the Phoenix team was the delivery of the engineering development model of an improved target detecting device to the contractor for missile round integration testing two weeks

prior to the scheduled delivery date.

This achievement was singled out for mention in the letter of commendation which accompanied the Technical Director Award. Lebsock also received an engraved paperweight and a \$200 stipend which accompanies this special form of a Superior Achievement Award.

The letter of commendation went on to state that, under Lebsock's direction, the Phoenix Technical Team "has completed the basic design of a very elegant and sophisticated radar fuze system, and has done so in a timely and professional manner."

Missile Effectiveness Enhanced
"When the target detecting device is released for production, the effectiveness of the Phoenix missile will be greatly enhanced," it was added.

Lebsock, who was both surprised and pleased at this award, was quick to point out to those assembled at the Commander's meeting that the honor belonged to a group of young engineers who had been assembled to carry out the work under his direction. "I just gave them the tools, and they took them and ran," he commented.

He had not been a bit reluctant to make use of the already developed expertise of others involved in the air-to-air missile field. Lebsock added as he expressed his gratitude for the continuous support he had received up and down the line for the work which resulted in the presentation to him of the NWC Technical Director Award.

Significant Accomplishment
In a memorandum recommending Lebsock for this honor, it was pointed out that the early delivery to the contractor of the improved target detecting device for the Phoenix missile was particularly significant when consideration was given to the fact that the Naval Air System Command's approval of funds for the work occurred some time after the improved missile program was underway.

The validation phase development of the improved target detecting device for the Phoenix AIM-54C missile was undertaken in

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Improvements to NWC water pumping, distribution system planned as energy conservation measure

One part of a vigorous and effective Centerwide energy conservation program on which attention currently is being focused is the pumping and distribution of water, and water conservation.

At the present time, between 8 and 10 per cent of the Naval Weapons Center's sizable electric power bill is due to the amount of electricity required to run the pumping plants and associated equipment necessary for distribution of water from its source to the widespread areas in which it is needed.

Installed 36 Years Ago

Booster pumps and pumps on the Center's water wells were originally installed in 1943. These pumps are inefficient compared to modern day pumps. In addition, repair parts are no longer available. Therefore, when there is a breakdown water pumps are out of commission for several months until replacement parts can be fabricated by Center employees.

Even before the energy crunch hit, steps had been initiated at the Naval Weapons Center to alleviate the kinds of problems that have developed as the result of having a 36-year old domestic water pumping and distribution system at China Lake.

A study, conducted by the firm of George S. Nolte and Associates, of San Jose, Calif., led to a preliminary engineering report prepared in September 1978.

Purpose of Study

The purpose of this engineering study was to investigate the condition of NWC's existing primary water distribution system and analyze its operation in order to determine construction priorities and estimated project costs for replacement of inefficient, obsolete or deteriorated components of the system.

The elements of the water system which were investigated included the pumping plants and associated equipment—starting with Harvey Field at Inyokern on the west and continuing through the China Lake housing area to Sky Top on the eastern side of the Center's main operational area. In addition, the water system at the Randsburg Wash Test Range also was studied.

What evolved from this study were

recommendations for major repairs to the Center's water system. This project's initial step will be the preparation of contract plans and specifications through an architect-engineer (A-E) contract.

An announcement inviting firms interested in being considered for the A-E contract to submit information on their qualifications and experience was mailed last week to the Commerce Business Daily. It is anticipated that the A-E contract will be awarded in May.

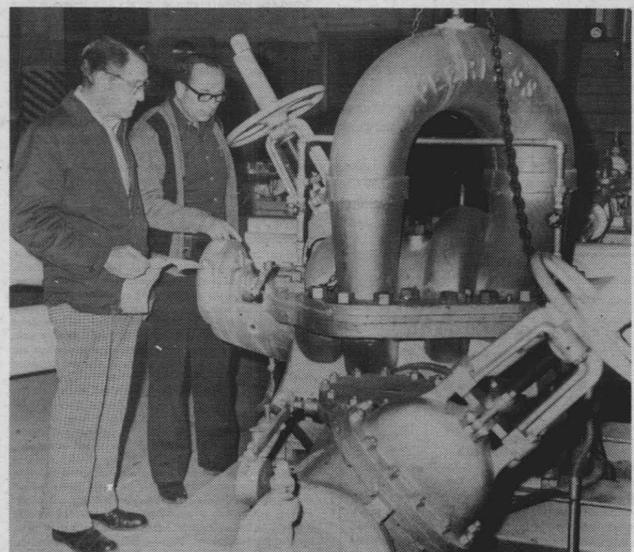
The new water project timetable calls for advertising of bids for the construction contract prior to the end of the fiscal year. The work will include the installation of

smaller, more efficient water pumps for the wells at Harvey Field (Inyokern) and at the water system's intermediate pumping stations located midway between China Lake and Inyokern.

Due to a decrease in water consumption, because of a lower housing occupancy rate, combined with the installation of more efficient water pumps and other equipment, there is expected to be a reduction of 85 per cent in electric power usage at the Harvey Field water wells, and a 62 per cent cut in the amount of electric power needed to operate the intermediate pumping stations.

In addition, to conserve both water and

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OLD WATER PUMP EXAMINED — Major Pinion (at left) and Curt Taylor examine one of the old water pumps at Harvey Field (Inyokern) that are scheduled for replacement as part of a new Naval Weapons Center water project that has been drawn up as an energy conservation measure. Pinion is an energy engineering technician in the Public Works Department's Energy Conservation Office, while Taylor is the Center's water plant supervisor.

Former NWC Commander to be next head of GSA

Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, Commander of the Naval Weapons Center from 1974 to 1977, has been chosen by President Jimmy Carter to succeed Jay Solomon as administrator of the General Services Administration, according to news service reports published late yesterday.

Newspapers in the nation's capital and in New York City reported they had learned that RAdm. Freeman, who left China Lake in May 1977, would soon be nominated to head the troubled agency which manages the federal government's offices and buildings and purchases its supplies.

RAdm. Freeman joined the Navy in April 1942 and completed flight training in 1943, prior to embarking on a career as a naval aviator. He was promoted to flag rank on Aug. 1, 1971.



TOPS IN COMPETITION — The China Lake Explorer Post No. 811 was the big winner in a recent Explorer Post competition in Bakersfield, garnering three out of seven trophies which were at stake. Proudly displaying their first place trophies in Traffic Stop, Report Writing, and Marksmanship are (l. to r.) Kenneth McCormick, Explorer Post advisor; Regina Edmunson, Post lieutenant; Dawn Robinson; Larry Shantler, Explorer Post captain; William Willard, Post commander; Donald Holland; and Lt. Arthur Edmunson, Explorer Post institutional representative. Not present for the photo was Kenneth Watson, Post corporal.

Police-sponsored Explorer Post 811 does well in events at Bakersfield

Members of China Lake Explorer Post No. 811 won three first place trophies out of seven possible trophy events during a recent competitive event in Bakersfield that drew entries from 17 Explorer Posts from various parts of southern California.

Six Explorers from Post 811 came in first in the team events of Traffic Stop and Report Writing, while William Willard, the post commander, won the first place trophy in Marksmanship.

The other events that Post 811 entered were On Site Crime Situation, Interviewing a Witness, and Criminal Investigation. The post was unable to enter the seventh event, Athletic Events, because its representative injured a back muscle just prior to the competition.

The Traffic Stop event is a simulated situation in which a citizen runs a stop sign and the officer makes the traffic stop. The officer's integrity is questioned and other accusations are made by the citizen. Team members are judged on tact, suspect control, explanations to citizens' questions, placement of officers and their vehicle.

In Report Writing, the competitors write reports on other events they were entered in and were judged on clarity, brevity, facts, and neatness.

In Marksmanship, Willard's first place Adding FM radio station to booster system planned

The Indian Wells Valley TV Boosters, Inc., will meet at the Kern County Library in Ridgecrest on Monday, April 9, at 5 p.m. to discuss adding other FM radio stations to their system.

China Lake / Ridgecrest residents having preferences in radio stations are asked either to attend the meeting or to mail a letter indicating their desires to IWV TV Boosters, Inc., P.O. Box 562, Ridgecrest, CA 93555.

score was 300 with 35 of his 60 shots in the bullseye.

China Lake Explorer Post No. 811, sponsored by the China Lake Police Department, was founded in February 1978. It now has seven full time members and six prospective members.

Movie for women to be shown March 28 at Monroe School

The Indian Wells Valley Chapter of Federally Employed Women (F.E.W.) will present the film "Taking Our Bodies Back" at the James Monroe School library in Ridgecrest on Wednesday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m.

Navy Chief Warrant Officers Pam Childers and James Jewell will conduct a "question and answer" session after the film is shown. CWO2s Childers and Jewell are both graduates of the Navy Physicians Assistant Program, which is affiliated with the University of Nebraska.

The film documents a growing movement by women to gain control of their bodies. It shows women learning about their bodies, and teaching other women. It also shows women becoming aware of their rights in dealing with medicine, and industry, which can no longer expect women to be grateful, passive, and ignorant, a F.E.W. spokesperson stated.

"Taking our Bodies Back" explores ten critical areas of the women's health movement, from the revolutionary concept of self-help to the issue of informed surgical consent.

All interested women in the China Lake-Ridgecrest area are invited by F.E.W. to view this informative film. Additional information can be obtained by calling Joan Chartier at NWC Ext. 3591.

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Unless otherwise specified in the ad, applications for positions listed in this column will be accepted from current NWC employees and should be filed with the person named in the ad. All others desiring employment with the Naval Weapons Center may contact the Employment-Wage and Classification Division, Code 092, Ext. 2049. Ads will run for one week and will close at 4:30 p.m. on the Friday following their appearance in this column, unless a later date is specified in the ad. Employees whose work history has not been brought up to date within the last six months are encouraged to file a Form 171 or 172 in their personnel jacket. Information concerning the Merit Promotion Program and the evaluation methods used in these promotional opportunities may be obtained from your Personnel Management Advisor (Code 096 or 097). Advertising positions in the Promotional Opportunities column does not preclude the use of alternate recruiting sources in filling these positions. As part of the rating process, a supervisory appraisal will be sent to the current supervisor and the most recent previous supervisor of those applicants rated as basically qualified. The Naval Weapons Center is an equal opportunity employer and selection shall be made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason. The minimum qualification requirements for all GS positions are defined in CSC Handbook X-118, while those for all WG, WL, and WS positions are defined in CSC Handbook X-118C.

Librarian, GS-1410-7, PD No. 7823070, Code 2324 — This position is located in the Descriptive Cataloging Branch, Information Science Division, Technical Information Department. Incumbent performs descriptive, subject cataloging, recataloging, and reclassification of the new scientific and engineering books received in the division, including those in foreign languages. Establishes authoritative entry, subject heading, prepares cross references. Performs other related duties. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of knowledge of descriptive cataloging and classification procedures; knowledge of reference sources used in cataloging; knowledge of foreign language equivalents of terms commonly used in library functions. File applications for the above with Charlotte Siewkowski, Bldg. 34, Rm. 208, Ph. 3118.

Equipment Specialist (Automotive), GS-1470-9, PD No. 74252238, Code 3271 — This position is located in the Technical Section of the Stock Control Branch, Control Division, Supply Department. Incumbent provides technical guidance on a Centerwide basis for the identification, procurement and repair of automotive equipment, including heavy duty equipment, power supply units, jeeps, trailers and trucks. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of automotive and/or heavy duty vehicle equipment repair; knowledge of sources of supply for automotive parts (Federal Supply System and commercial); ability to use and apply a wide variety of guides (equipment catalogs, manuals, journals, etc.); experience in interpreting federal and military specifications.

File applications for the above with Sue Cross, Bldg. 34, Rm. 212, Ph. 2371.

Equipment Mechanic, WG-5352-10, JD No. 373, Code 2141 — This position is located in the Maintenance Division, Metal Branch, Public Works Department. Incumbent performs maintenance, repairs, maintains, "alters as needed," machine shop equipment, power plant equipment, large fresh water pumping equipment, range testing equipment, cranes and hoists, high and low pressure pneumatic systems and equipment, hydraulic systems and equipment, hydraulic-pneumatic systems and equipment, sewage disposal plant equipment, steam engines, steam cranes, internal combustion engines, also performs for above items. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to install, maintain, overhaul, repair and test run mechanical equipment; ability to read and interpret blueprints, sketches, etc.; ability to troubleshoot pertinent equipment; ability to use hand tools and measuring devices; ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision.

Accounting Technician, GS-535-03/04, PD No. 7924011, Code 2452 — (two vacancies) This position is located in the Assignments and Collections Branch, Housing Division, Public Works Department. The incumbent performs a variety of accounting duties in connection with the collection of utility charges, security charges, security deposits, and miscellaneous charges (loss, damage), refunds associated with such collections, and maintenance of accounting records in support of such collections, refunds and other adjustments. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of bookkeeping and accounting methods and techniques; ability to work independently; ability to work with computer generated reports.

Maintenance General Foreman, WS-4701-14, JD No. 3548, Code 2441 — This position is in the Maintenance Utilities Division, Metal Branch, Public Works Department. The incumbent is head of the Metal Trades Branch, which contains the machine shop, metal shop, and pipe shop. He assumes general responsibility for reviewing planned jobs that are reported to him by the shop foreman. Resolves inter-shop scheduling problems; assures that jobs are completed in the department standards for quality; assigns priority to any job not given priority by shop scheduling section; makes temporary adjustments in shop ceilings, or recommends changes to head, Maintenance Division; keeps shop foreman advised on latest techniques in trades and crafts in his branch; develops training material; establishes employee development plans; and manages the safety program for the Metal Trades Branch. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to supervise through subordinate supervisors; ability to plan and organize work; knowledge of different relevant lines of work; ability to work with others; ability to meet deadline dates under pressure; ingenuity (ability to suggest and apply new ideas); File 3F-172 and Supplemental Wage Grade Supervisory Information sheet with Code 097 not later than April 6, 1979. Forms may be obtained from Lucy Lambert in Rm. 210, Personnel Bldg.

Administrative Assistant, GS-341-5/7, PD No. 7924012, Code 244 — This position is located in the Geothermal Utilization Division, Public Works Department. This position provides administrative assistance functions including personnel administration, budget preparations, management studies, procurement and contractual actions, facility space and security requirements, and extensive liaison with other DoD activities, and with state and federal agencies. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the budgetary processes; ability to deal tactfully with people at all levels; ability to gather, assimilate and abstract technical information; ability to plan and organize work in a complex work environment.

Heavy Mobile Equipment Mechanic, WG-5803-11, JD No. 434, Code 24771 — (three vacancies) Applications will be accepted from status eligibles. This position is in the Maintenance and Repair Branch, Transportation Division, Public Works Department. The incumbent maintains, repairs, overhauls, modifies, and tests various kinds of heavy-duty diesel and gasoline powered equipment such as locomotives, cranes, 12-cylinder engines, tanks, power plants, fire water-pump engines, construction and earth-moving equipment. Provides on-the-job instructions and training to heavy mobile equipment helpers and to intermediate mechanics. Disassembles, repairs, modifies, tests, and assembles machinery and equipment components such as hoist, travel, swing and boom assemblies, transmissions, spider gears, air brakes, crawler tracks, compressors, etc. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision; knowledge of equipment assembly, installation, repairs, etc.; technical practices and trouble shooting; ability to use hand tools, engine equipment, power tools, auxiliary machines, accessories, and equipment; ability to use measuring tools, mechanical gages, instruments, diagnostic and test equipment; ability to read and interpret blueprints, instructions, specifications, etc.

File applications for the above with Lucy Lambert, Bldg. 34, Rm. 210, Ph. 2022.

Computer Scientist, GS-1550-9, PD No. 7931050, Code 3192 — This position is located in the Software Engineering Branch, Systems Development Department. The incumbent is responsible for developing, testing, modifying, documenting and running several digital computer programs which support the development and validation of the A-4E aircraft, tactical computer Operational Flight Program. The incumbent will conduct design and analyses studies of new algorithms and/or coding logic for the tactical computer. The incumbent is responsible for maintaining current documentation and program change control records for all computer programs under his cognizance. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of Fortran, knowledge of digital systems and computer programming and a knowledge of assembly language programming.

File applications for the above with Pat Gaunt, Bldg. 34, Rm. 212, Ph. 2524.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-4, PD No. 7545178, Code 3241 — This position is that of secretary in the Propulsion Analysis Branch, Advanced Technology Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent performs secretarial and clerical office duties including: reception of visitors and phone calls; typing of official technical and business correspondence, reports, memoranda, travel orders and procurement requests; maintaining branch office files; timekeeping; and other duties as assigned. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to type accurately and efficiently using an IBM MAG Card Selectric Typewriter; ability to organize and process the required work without close supervision; and ability to work harmoniously and effectively with others.

Electrical Engineer, GS-850-7/11/12, PD No. 7145921-2, Code 3254 — This position is located in the Design Engineering Branch, Engineering Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent performs design, purchase and installation of power, power control, lighting, communication, power distribution, electrical equipment and some mechanical process equipment in R&D facilities. This includes determining location of buildings, control devices, circuitry, etc.; making computations for sizing equipment and power requirements; preparing cost estimates, time tables, and specifications; witnessing tests; preparing drawings, etc. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of facility engineering; knowledge of the requirements of ammunition and explosives; knowledge of National Electrical Code; ability to work with the craftsmen; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-4, PD No. 7823034, Code 3245 — This position is located in the Chemical Systems Branch, Conventional Weapons Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent provides clerical support to the branch. This support includes typing correspondence, technical reports, and memoranda; receiving and screening office and telephone callers; distributing mail, making travel arrangements; filing; etc. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to type efficiently and accurately; ability to work with others.

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DIVINE SERVICES

PROTESTANT
Sunday Worship Service 1000
Sunday School—All Ages 0845
Sunday School Classes are held in Chapel Annex 1, 2, 4. (Dorms 5, 6, 8) located opposite the former Center Restaurant.
Communion Service first Sunday of the Month.

ECUMENICAL
Wednesday Noon Bible Study 1130
Thursday Men's Prayer Breakfast 0630

ROMAN CATHOLIC
MASS
Saturday 1700 full/11:30 Sunday obligation 0800-1130
Sunday 0815-1245
Daily except Saturday, 1135, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

CONFESSIONS
Daily 1115 to 1130
Saturday 1415 to 1645
Sunday 0800 to 0825

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Sunday Pre-school thru 11th grade 1000
Above classes are held in the Chapel Annexes across from the former Center Restaurant.
Sunday afternoon 12th grade 1630
As announced "In Home" Discussion Groups and Youth Rallies
Contact Chaplain's Office for specifics.

JEWISH SERVICES
EASTWING—ALL FAITH CHAPEL
Sabbath Services every Friday 1930
UNITARIANS
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25th anniversary fete held by IWV women bowlers

The Indian Wells Valley Women's Bowling Association (IWVWBA) celebrated its 25th anniversary with a potluck dinner and meeting at the Westwood Manor's Recreation Room on Tuesday evening, March 13.

During the meeting, the group honored eight past presidents who are still active IWVWBA bowlers, 16 women who have bowled for 20 consecutive years, and elected new officers.

The IWVWBA came into existence in June 1953 electing as its first president, Edith Zissos, who is still an active bowler. Today the association has a membership of 711 women. Ms. Zissos, who attended the anniversary celebration, was honored with a life membership in the IWVWBA.

Out of 17 past presidents, eight are still living in Indian Wells Valley and six including Ms. Zissos were present at the meeting. In their honor, each was presented with a cup with names and dates inscribed. Others present were Lee Fox, Betty Lou Logue, Erma Erickson, Marlyn Heeke, and Pat Maddux. Two others, Doris Cosner and Marie Peck, were unable to attend.

Women bowlers who received 20-year awards were Lee Fox, Erma Erickson, Marlyn Heeke, Doris Boyack, Mary Jane Clark, Stella Stillwell, Charlotte DeMarco, Val Strommen, Peggy Leininger, Eva Steger, Moneta Terrebonne, LaVon Round, Sue Lewis, Virginia Owens, Marie Peck, and Norma Diede.

New officers elected were Bernita Means, president; Kathy Osborne, vice president; Marlys Bowles, secretary; Carmen Chapel, treasurer; and Pat Brightwell, sergeant at arms.

Burros win . . .

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cliff drew a walk, Frank Mayer was grazed by a pitch, and Jim Peck, the third batter in the lineup was safe on an error.

Dave Cane, catcher for Burroughs, was credited with an RBI on a sacrifice fly to the outfield.

The BHS nine increased its 1-0 lead to a 2-1 advantage in the top of the third when, once again they loaded the bases.

In this frame, Radcliff led off with a single but was forced out at second. Mayer, however, was safe at first on the fielder's choice play. Peck then barely missed a home run by hitting a long fly ball to right field that came within 2 ft. of clearing the fence.

With Peck at second and Mayer on third, Cane was issued a walk which filled the bases, and Kummerman came through with a single that drove in two runs.

Palmdale Scores Run
Three hits, all singles, produced the game's first run in the bottom of the second for the Palmdale Falcons. James Culver was credited with an RBI that drove in Lowell Culver.

Kummerman, who started for BHS, was in trouble in the third inning when Randy Kutcher of Palmdale singled, stole second and third base, and then scored on a wild pitch.

Gaunt was brought in to replace Kummerman after the latter also gave up a hit to Tony Burleson and issued a walk to the next batter.

Burleson stole second and went to third on a wild pitch — giving the Falcons two men on base with just one out when Gaunt entered the game and struck out the first two batters he faced to end the inning with the Burros in front, 3-2.

Gaunt gave up just one hit for the remainder of the game—a lead off single to Kutcher in the last half of the fifth inning. A sacrifice bunt moved Kutcher to second and (on a misplay) he continued on to third.

A sacrifice fly to the outfield brought in Kutcher with a run that tied the score at 3-3 and set the stage for Radcliff's game-winning 4-bagger in the top of the seventh.

employee in the spotlight

By Ernest R. Sutfon

Can you imagine the China Lake area without television in your home after working all day at the Naval Weapons Center? Without such dedicated people as James (Jim) Rieger, an electronics engineer in the Telemetry Technology Branch (Code 6243), who is active in the Indian Wells Valley TV Booster, Inc., television reception in Indian Wells Valley would be minimal at best.

For the past eight years, Rieger has been one of the prime supporters of the TV Booster, not only lending his engineering expertise but also working on the system on Laurel and B Mountains to make repairs or to add more channels.

When Jim first came to China Lake in 1968 from Lincoln, Neb., the television booster station was already here. "But, in about 1973, we were told that the booster system being used then did not comply with FCC (Federal Communications Commission) regulations. We either had to shut it down or put in the proper equipment. You can imagine the panic that followed the FCC edict," he said.

The IWV TV Booster, Inc., a non-profit organization, was formed and began a campaign to raise approximately \$100,000 to purchase the necessary equipment for the booster station. In 1975 the "legal" equipment was installed on Laurel Mountain. Initially IWV residents were able to receive seven TV channels. Today, they get 10 with several more due to be added as funds become available.

Actually, the TV Booster, Inc., is more than a television service for through its efforts China Lakers are also able to receive five FM radio stations. Two more are expected to be added in the near future including a country-western station from the Ventura area, Jim revealed.

How Business Is in His Blood

Rieger says that he has "show biz" in his blood and couldn't resist getting involved with bringing better television reception to the valley.

While attending the University of Nebraska in Lincoln, he worked for radio and television stations to earn money to put himself through college. When he was graduated in June 1966 with a bachelor of science degree in electronic engineering, it was only natural for him to seek employment in the communications field.

"I worked for CBS as an engineer for about a year between degrees, but got tired of getting up at 3:30 every morning; consequently, I went back to Nebraska to study for my master's degree," Jim said.

During this period Rieger accepted a position (sight unseen) with the Naval Ordnance Test Station at China Lake, the forerunner of the Naval Weapons Center.

"The recruiter told me that China Lake was a great place to work and that they wouldn't hassle a person if he did a job in an unconventional manner," he recalled. "Besides that, the man said no one here wore neckties. I was sold."

Jim began working here as an electronics engineer in the Telemetry Technology Branch as a junior professional in July 1968. He has stayed with the branch ever since.

Working on Secured Telemetry Scrambler

"I really enjoy my work here. Right now we are working on a secured telemetry scrambling system that will prevent someone else picking up TM signals from missiles under development," Rieger said. "Telemetry signals are very easy to pick up, and if you have a hush, hush project, you don't want other people eavesdropping. This is quite a project since no one had ever concerned themselves with scrambling before."

When Jim stated he liked his work he also explained that he felt that if people were dissatisfied with their jobs they should do themselves and the people they worked with a favor, and find an occupation that they could enjoy.

He said it this way, "Any number of engineers have hobbies such as growing flowers, collecting stamps, etc., not that I have anything against such things, but my hobby is electronics. After I get off work I go home and play around with hi-fi and video equipment. I like to see what kind of sound signals or echos I can get off it."

"Just for laughs, if I am going to San Francisco for instance and

Recreation Roundup . . .

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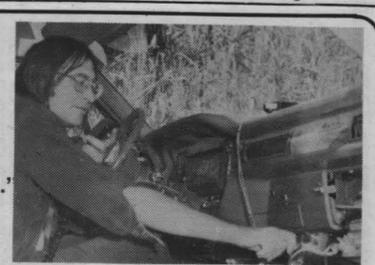
team since they have until April 5 to submit rosters at the NWC gym office.

Blank roster sheets and printed information on league policies can be obtained at the gym office. Persons interested can obtain additional information by calling NWC Ext. 2334 or 2571.

In further preparation for the start of the intramural softball season on May 1, a

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Jim Rieger



have lots of time to get there, I always take along a portable television set," he reports. "Then when I get to the summit of each mountain along the way, I stop to monitor the number of TV stations that will come in on the set from normal rabbit ears."

Rieger recalls that back in the old days at China Lake when the booster station was still in the development stages this is how the technicians thought they would be able to receive television Channel 28.

Thought Rabbit Ears Would Get Ch. 28

"We were sure we could pick up Channel 28 with just rabbit ears from Laurel Mountain. We tried but it didn't work, but we kept trying. We finally carried up a console television set and hooked it up to a generator before we could receive it. Later we added the necessary translators to the booster system so that the channel could be received in the valley," Rieger said.

A translator is the actual piece of equipment used to clean and improve the television signal and to amplify it so that home television sets in the local area are able to receive sharp pictures of the particular channel being broadcast.

"Many new residents in the area believe their television sets are picking up the channels directly from Los Angeles, when actually if it wasn't for the booster stations on Laurel and B Mountains, all they would be getting would be snow," Jim stated.

The IWV TV Booster, Inc., through donations from local area residents, spends about \$20,000 annually just to maintain the booster stations.

"We never want to stand put where we are now. We want to keep on getting better. We want to add more TV stations and more FM radio stations to the system," he said.

Rieger continued, "Really we are doing pretty good with 10 TV channels when you consider that Bakersfield has just three, Palm Springs has two, and Reno also has only three. We are pretty close to getting as many channels as the 15 available now in Los Angeles."

Jim claims that all that is necessary to receive television in this area is a well-anchored antenna. "If you can see Laurel Mountain, you don't need a 40-ft. tower. A 10-ft. antenna will do just as well and will give you just as good reception as cable." He admits that some channels are better on cable, but then others are better from antennas too.

A Member of the "B" Team

While going to college he was quite active in working as an announcer and thought when he came to China Lake that he would never see the inside of a radio station again. That didn't happen. Jim calls himself a member of the "B" team for the local radio stations.

"When someone gets sick or isn't able to work for other reasons, they call in the "B" team," he explained. He has announced for both Radio Stations KLOA and KZIQ in Ridgecrest and, at times is called upon to produce commercials that require exotic sounds.

"I use the sound equipment in my garage often times to record commercials," he said. "One was about a natural pizza and another for a foreign auto parts store."

Besides being a "tower monkey," as he calls his troubleshooting work for TV Booster, Inc., he has found time on his job in Code 6243 to write a number of technical papers dealing with telemetry and telemetry systems, and audio processing equipment. In addition, Rieger holds a Navy patent for a smoke measuring device used in aircraft testing.

Jim joked that he could have married anyone that he pleased but has never been able to please anybody, so has never married. The truth of the matter is that one doesn't find many women up on Laurel Mountain. "I have just been too busy enjoying what I am doing to find time just for one woman. This weekend I am doing some trouble shooting for the radio station in Bishop. The week after that I might be in Reno. . . I like to keep on the move," he said.

But even when he travels, he's not far from what he likes most. Rieger is also a ham radio operator and carries up to five radios in his car at all times. "It is a little game I play. When a voice comes in, I try to figure out which radio it is coming from," he laughed.

Youth Center hours of operation to be changed

The Youth Center at China Lake will close an hour earlier during weekdays beginning on Wednesday, March 28, but will also be open for four hours on Sunday afternoons, the Special Services Division reported this week.

The new hours of the Youth Center are 2:30 to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday; and 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.



NWC rocketeer SPORTS
Recreation Roundup
14 teams entered in NWC Intramural Volleyball League

Intramural Volleyball League competition for the spring season began this week at the Center gym and will continue through April 19.

Games are being played on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday starting at 6, 7:15 and 8:30 p.m.

A total of 14 teams are entered in league competition. The various divisions of the league, and the names of the teams in each, are as follows:

- Open Division A (for men) — Doggie Daddies, B-4 and the KKK.
- Coed Division A — The Ones, Barkers, and Stringberries.
- Coed Division B — Wall Bangers, Dig-It, and Dispensary.
- Women's Division — Dunnick, The Dropouts, Thumpers and Bumpers, Volleys, and Setters.

Athletic Tournaments
Information concerning a number of military sponsored or privately run invitational and open athletic tournaments has been received, and is posted on the bulletin board in the Center gymnasium. Softball, track and racketball are among the events included.

Those interested in competing in such tournaments should check the bulletin board at the gym, and inquire at the gym office for further details if they wish to participate.

Racketball Challenge Night
Racketball court No. 2 will be reserved from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 28, for men who wish to take part in the racketball challenge night program. All interested active duty military personnel or Athletic Association members are invited to get in on the action.

Golf Clinic for Youths
Plans are being made to conduct a golf clinic for school-age youngsters on Wednesday and Thursday, April 11 and 12 (during Easter vacation week). Young people interested in attending such a clinic are asked to contact Paul Someson, golf pro at the China Lake course, by calling NWC Ext. 2990.

Softball Program Being Planned
Coaches and managers who did not attend softball league organizational meetings are reminded that it is not too late to enter a
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Local soccer club to meet Edwards on home turf, Sunday

A practice game between the China Lake Soccer Club and the Edwards Air Force Base soccer team will be played on Sunday, starting at 1 p.m., at Davidove Field.

The local team, coached by Karl Kauffman and led by Al Catturini as team captain, will be out to make up for a 2-1 defeat suffered on March 10 at Edwards AFB.

The China Lake Soccer Club's adult team has joined the newly-organized High Desert Soccer League, which will begin its regular season of play on the weekend of May 5-6.

Other teams in the league are Edwards AFB, George AFB, the Lancaster United Soccer Club, Lancaster Casa de Miguel, Tehachapi and Tehachapi Correctional Institute.



HANGS IN MID-AIR — A click of the camera's shutter caught Charles Schneider going up to spike the ball during this bit of action in the Admiral's Cup volleyball match between the NWC Gold team (on right) and VX-5. The other players are M. G. Hastings, another member of the NWC Gold team, and (on left) John Smith and Sue O'Grady (back to camera), both of VX-5. The NWC Gold squad, winners of the volleyball competition, shutout VX-5 three games to none in this matchup.

NWC Gold team moves into 2nd place with win in Admiral's Cup volleyball matches

The NWC Gold team moved into second place in the Admiral's Cup athletic competition as a result of placing first in volleyball matches played last week.

The Gold team, led by Hod Wells as team captain, defeated NWC Blue (Code 612) two games to one to win the opening match of the round-robin event, and then clinched first place in volleyball with a three-game shutout of the players representing VX-5.

In addition to Wells, players for NWC Gold who took turns routing their foes, were

Chuck Schneider, Robert Gomez, Rollo Rodrigues, Ted Narvarez, Pete Whipple, Sheryl Gros, M. G. Hastings, Bob Reusch and John Crane.

In the third match of the series, the NWC Blue volleyball squad also shut out VX-5 three games to zip.

Current standings in the Admiral's Cup competition, after awarding 5, 3 and 1 point, respectively, to NWC Gold, NWC Blue and VX-5 for their efforts in volleyball are: NWC Blue, 33; NWC Gold, 24; and VX-5, 23.

Burros nine now leads Golden League play with two 4-3 wins

After suffering through an 0 and 12 season in 1978, things have turned around completely so far this year for the Burroughs High School varsity baseball team, which is now atop the Golden League standings as the result of winning its first two league tilts by identical scores of 4-3.

In addition to slipping past Antelope Valley High School in the league opener on March 13, the Burros, coached by Ed Schwartz, traveled to Palmdale last Friday where they recorded another narrow victory.

Games Canceled by Rain

Rain forced the cancellation of a non-league double-header against East Bakersfield High in Bakersfield on Saturday, and also wiped out a loop tilt at home on Tuesday, when the Burros were scheduled to tangle with Saugus. The latter contest will be played instead on Wednesday, March 28.

Next Golden League action for the BHS varsity nine is coming up at 3:30 this afternoon at Canyon High, followed on Tuesday, March 27, by a 3:30 p.m. tilt against Quartz Hill on the Burros' home field.

Home Run Wins Game

Randy Radcliff, veteran shortstop for the Burros, accounted for the game-winning tally in the seventh inning of last Friday's game at Palmdale. With the score tied at 3-3, Radcliff led off the game's final inning with a home run clout that cleared the fence in right-centerfield — 365 ft. from home plate.

Terry Gaunt, who came on to pitch in relief of starter Kevin Kurfman with one out in the bottom of third, picked up his second league win. In the remaining 4 2/3 innings of the game, Gaunt allowed just two batters to get on base (one of whom was

picked off trying to steal second), struck out five, and faced just one batter over the minimum number.

The Burros started off the game by loading the bases in the first inning. Rad-
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Al Woodson

Record number of teams formed for youth soccer play

Tryouts have been completed in preparation for spring season Youth Soccer League competition that will get under way on Saturday, March 31, with a record number of 17 teams participating.

Youngsters will compete in divisions based on their grades in school. Six teams each will be formed from students in the first and second grades and the third and fourth grades, respectively. Another three teams will be made of up fifth and sixth graders, and there will be two teams of seventh and eighth graders.

During the coming week, coaches of the various teams will contact their players with information about the time and place of practice sessions.

In order to make it possible for each team to have a full roster of 16 players, two or three more players are still needed on some teams. Youngsters who have not yet registered for the Youth Center Soccer League program may still do so by calling NWC Ext. 3097. After the 16-player limit per team has been reached, a waiting list will be started.

Dependents of NWC civilian employees and military personnel must join the Youth Center by paying an annual fee of \$6 in order to be eligible to take part in the soccer program, for which there is an additional fee of \$2. Other local area youngsters whose parents have no connection with NWC may compete in the spring soccer season by paying a fee of \$6 and will be issued passes that will permit them to attend team practice sessions and games.

Commander's Cup golf tournament won by Al Woodson

Al Woodson, an electrical engineer in the Electro-Optics Division of the Weapons Department, was the low gross winner of the 1979 Commander's Cup golf tournament, sponsored by the China Lake Men's Golf Club.

Woodson shot 18-hole rounds of 78 and 71 to finish with a 36-hole total of 149 for the two-day event held last weekend.

Runner-up for low gross honors was Phil Sprankle, who fired rounds of 74 and 79 for a 153 total. Both Woodson and Sprankle received \$35 gift certificates for their efforts in the Commander's Cup golf tourney. Sprankle's award was for his low net score of 139 (including handicap).

Nearly 50 golfers entered this annual event. Winners and runners-up in the various flights, which were determined by the golfer's handicap, were:

First flight — Max Smith, low gross, and Steve Mills, low net.

Second flight — Bill Sorbo, low gross, and Gene Lish and Harlow Dean, 1st and 2nd, respectively, in the low net score competition.

Third flight — Carmen Panucci, low gross, and E. B. Earle, low net.

Pat Mitchell fires low net 67 to win Bailey golf tourney

Pat Mitchell of Ridgecrest topped a field of 12 entries this past weekend to win the annual Betty Jo Bailey Memorial golf tournament staged by the China Lake Women's Golf Club.

Ms. Mitchell posted a low net score of 67, just two shots better than the 69 recorded by Rita Pirozek, who placed second.

The winner's name will be engraved on the Betty Jo Bailey Memorial golf tourney trophy, which remains on display at the China Lake golf course clubhouse.

All of the money raised from entry fees of \$5 per person will be donated to the Children's Home Society in memory of Mrs. Bailey.



CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN COMMENDED — Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander, congratulates Lt. John Madden, Catholic chaplain at the Center's All Faith Chapel, after presenting a Navy Commendation Medal to Fr. Madden. The medal and the citation which accompanied it were in recognition of Fr. Madden's exceptional performance of duty while serving at Camp Pendleton with the Third Battalion of the 1st Marine Division's 5th Marine Regiment. — Photo by Ron Allen

Lebsock receives TD Award . . .

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early 1976 and significant funding became available at the start of the 1977 fiscal year.

The requirement to deliver hardware for missile testing so soon in the development cycle represents an unusually compressed schedule, it was emphasized in the memorandum from R. L. Bauer, head of Code 33's Fuze System Division, (Code 333), who nominated Lebsock for the Technical Director Award.

"It is also significant," Bauer wrote, "that the fuze system being developed is a highly sophisticated multi-range gated coherent microwave radar, with advance signal processing logic."

The basic system, it was noted, was taken from prior Exploratory Development work performed in the Sensor System Division (Code 331) and the systems development effort on the Sparrow weapon system in Code 333. The signal processing makes use of heretofore unused guidance derived missile target encounter data to enhance the kill effectiveness of the Phoenix missile.

Internal milestones achieved during the validation and engineering phases of this project include the successful completion of the Program Management Review in June 1977 and the Engineering Design Review in June 1978.

In addition to his able leadership of the Phoenix team, it was felt by his division head that Lebsock deserved the special recognition due NWC employees who are singled out to receive the Technical Director Award because of the numerous and convincing program presentations which he made to top Navy officials and also to a large number of participating agencies and contractors involved in the Phoenix weapon development work.

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It notes as well that Spisak's collateral duties have included work center early crew troubleshooter, assistant training petty officer, and tool control petty officer.

"Your performance has been outstanding in all assignments," Capt. Stephenson wrote. "You have continually expanded your knowledge of theory and maintenance techniques involved in maintaining aircraft egress and environmental control systems."

In further support of the energy conservation program, timely information will be presented on steps that can be taken by China Lake residents to conserve water year-round, and particularly in the hot, summer months.

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Lebsock, a graduate of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, where he received a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering in 1958, went right to work after getting his BSEE degree as an electronic engineer in Development Division II of what was then the Naval Ordnance Laboratory (NOL) at Corona, Calif.

During his early years with NOL, he was involved in the design of proximity fuzes for air-to-air missiles, and has been closely connected with this type of work from 1958 until the present time.

In early 1969, NOL became a part of the Naval Weapons Center, and Lebsock moved to China Lake in August 1970. This was at about the same time that he was promoted to the position of project engineer.

He became a branch head in Development Division II of the Fuze Department in April 1975 — a position which he held until he was chosen to direct the activities of the Phoenix Ordnance Components Technical Office in 1977. This assignment includes not only responsibility for proximity fuze work, but also the missile's safety and arming device, initiation systems, and warhead integration.

For five months of what was a year-long assignment, he served on board the USS New Orleans, a helicopter carrier squadron that was part of an amphibious squadron of four ships which made up a combat ready force in the Orient. During its deployment, the squadron visited the Philippines, Taiwan, Hong Kong and Singapore.

Fr. Madden studied for the priesthood at St. Patrick's College in Carlow, Ireland. Following his graduation in 1970, he volunteered to work in this country in the State of Georgia because of a shortage of priests in that area.

Fr. John Madden awarded Navy Commendation Medal

On behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander, last week presented a Navy Commendation Medal to Lt. John Madden, Catholic chaplain at the All Faith Chapel.

The medal, which was presented during a ceremony held on March 15, was in recognition of Fr. Madden's meritorious service while serving as chaplain for the Third Battalion of the 1st Marine Division's 5th Marine Regiment.

Fr. Madden was commended for providing "moral guidance and example, unparalleled inspiration, effective leadership, superlative initiative, and sound judgment."

Valuable Contributions Noted
It was noted in the citation which accompanied the Navy Commendation Medal awarded to Fr. Madden that he not only conducted numerous Catholic religious services but, throughout the entire period covered by the award, also held weekly eucumenical services and was in charge of various unit leadership classes "in which his character and convictions were irreplaceable assets."

In addition, his ministry extended beyond the Marine Corps Base at Camp Pendleton to homes of the Marines and sailors whom he served. "He made his presence felt by continually being with his Marines in garrison and in the field — participating with them even in the most rigorous training," it was stated in the information set forth in the citation.

Wives' Support Committee Formed
Fr. Madden's contribution to the morale and well-being of the unit to which he was assigned also included organizing a Wives Support Committee for the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, to help make the six months' period of temporary duty away from Camp Pendleton less of an individual experience for young families, and more of a shared experience in which understanding of the particular circumstances would be immediate.

For this effort, Fr. Madden was commended for "his resourceful counselling sessions, both with individuals and groups, which contributed significantly to improved morale at all levels."

Fr. Madden assumed the duties of Catholic Chaplain at the NWC All Faith Chapel a year ago, coming here directly from Camp Pendleton where his outstanding work earned him the Navy Commendation Medal.

A native of County Galway in Ireland, Fr. Madden joined the Navy Chaplain Corps 3 1/2

years ago. His first duty as a Navy chaplain was with the 2nd Battalion of the 4th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, on the Island of Okinawa.

Before joining the Navy, he had to become a U.S. citizen, which he did in May 1976, and the following month he received his commission as ensign at the Glenview Naval Air Station in Chicago, Ill.

Fr. Madden then attended the Navy Chaplain School at Newport, R.I., for seven weeks prior to beginning his initial assignment as a Navy chaplain with the Marine Corps on Okinawa.

While serving his first parish in Albany, Ga., Fr. Madden became interested in joining the Navy — due principally to the contact he had with Navy families from the nearby Naval Air Station in Albany.

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Misuse of alcohol, drugs to be subject of April 12 workshop

A day-long workshop on "Use, Misuse, Abuse of Alcohol, Prescription and Over the Counter Drugs" is being sponsored by the Council on Alcohol Awareness and the NWC Employee Assistance Program.

It will be held on Thursday, April 12, beginning at 10 a.m., at Clancey's Restaurant in Ridgecrest.

The program will include talks and films on psychoactive drugs, substance abuse and the elderly, fetal alcohol syndrome, special problems of women, the effects of drugs on unborn children, and alternatives to addiction.

Employees interested in attending must submit a training request and authorization form via proper department channels in time for it to reach Code 094 no later than Wednesday, March 28.

All others interested in attending are asked to contact Dorothy Carlo or Patti Lambie in Ridgecrest by calling 375-2271.

AME3 Spisak singled out as VX-5 Sailor of Month

Aviation Structural Mechanic "E" Third Class Phillip J. Spisak was selected as Sailor of the Month for February by Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5).

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The letter concluded by saying that Petty Officer Spisak had indeed earned the honor of representing VX-5 as Sailor of the Month for February 1979. "I extend my personal congratulations, and a hearty 'Well Done,'" he said.

AME3 Spisak has been stationed at NWC with VX-5 since July 1977. He was transferred here from the Naval Air Station, Lemoore, Calif., where he attended the Navy's Fleet Readiness and Maintenance School for three months.

The VX-5 Sailor of the Month calls Garfield Heights, Ohio, home; however he was graduated from Cleveland Central Catholic High School, Cleveland, Ohio, in June 1976, before entering the Navy at Orlando, Fla., in August 1976.

After completing recruit training at Orlando, he attended Aviation Structural Mechanic School at the Naval Air Technical Training Command in Memphis, Tenn. Spisak left Memphis for Lemoore in April 1977.

AME3 Spisak is single and lives in the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters. Although he hasn't found much time to play, he professes that his only hobby is playing baseball and he may become a member of the VX-5 team this spring.

As a result of his selection as VX-5 Sailor of the Month, AME3 Spisak will enjoy one month without standing duty watches, receive a 72-hour special liberty and have use of a reserved parking space near the entrance to the squadron's hangar.

He will also receive a plaque, and his photo will be displayed along with those of other squadron Sailors of the Month.



AME3 Phillip J. Spisak



PATENT AWARD PRESENTED — Dr. Carl F. Austin, head of the Geothermal Utilization Division of NWC's Public Works Department, receives a Navy patent award as co-inventor of a "Device for Stimulation of Geothermal Wells" from Capt. Robert B. Wilson, NWC Public Works Officer in a recent ceremony. Dr. Austin and Dr. Guy W. Leonard, former head of the Engineering Department who is presently on a 2-year assignment with the Office of Management and Budget in Washington, D.C., invented a device comprising an outer shell, open at one end, a charge carrier for carrying shaped charges suspended within the outer shell and means for releasing gas to stimulate geothermal wells to increase production of geothermal fluids. — Photo by Ron Allen

Changes in Civil Service retirement system studied

By Nancy Cleland, Code 091
Employee Relations Specialist

Many of you may have heard rumors or read about some of the studies being conducted concerning the Civil Service Retirement System.

As a result of the flurry of activity in this area, many employees have been asking me to comment on what is going to happen to the retirement system and the current benefits. This article is intended to let you know what I know based on articles I've read in recent months.

Retirement Benefits Criticized

During the past few years, our retirement benefits have been receiving much criticism. Many feel that our Civil Service System is too liberal, costly, and abused. Our system has been compared with pension systems in the private sector and alleged to be a much more generous package than the benefits offered private industry employees.

Whether this criticism is based on a lack of knowledge or misinformation, it doesn't seem to matter. What has happened is that many people now share this negative viewpoint and have expressed their views to the President and Congress.

As a result, our system has been and continues to be carefully examined by several study groups designated by the President and Congress. Some of these studies have been completed and some are still being conducted. I'll discuss three of the major studies and the proposals or recommendations which have resulted.

Several Options Proposed

Late last year the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) published a report entitled, "Options for Federal Civil Service Retirement: An Analysis of Costs and Benefit Provisions." This report proposed a number of options which have been submitted for Congressional consideration. One of the options, curiously enough, was to continue the current system as is. This option was generated as a result of the viewpoint held by proponents of our system that our system should set an example rather than be patterned after prevailing practices in private industry.

Other options submitted by the CBO, however, were not so generous. They include:

- (1) Reduce the benefits of employees retiring between ages 55 and 65. Supposedly this would encourage many employees to continue working longer and aid the financial stability of the retirement system.
- (2) Establish stricter eligibility standards for disability retirements, using the tougher

Social Security criteria.

(3) Limit cost-of-living (COL) annuity increases to 70 per cent of the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Retirees currently receive 100 per cent COL increases based on twice-a-year rises in the CPI.

(4) Increase the amount of salary contributions for retirement benefits.

(5) Bring government employees under universal Social Security coverage, combining it with a modified Civil Service retirement system.

Another study which could have considerable impact on the future of our system is being conducted by the Presidential Retirement Policy Commission. This group has been tasked with evaluating the present and future problems of current retirement, disability, and survivor plans in both the public and private sector. It is to make specific recommendations to the President over the next couple years for reform in these systems to insure that workers have adequate coverage and benefits, as well as



EARN PATENT — Leonard G. Cozzens, associate head of the NWC Engineering Department (Code 3633), is presented with a patent for his invention of a "Soda Extractor Apparatus" by Ernest Cozzens, associate head of the NWC Engineering Department (Code 3633). The apparatus is a self-contained unit with a pump motor to provide instantaneous source of pressure in vacuum to the operator at the appropriate time in the solder extraction process. — Photo by Ron Allen

Special activities planned next week at preschools in local area

Preschools in the China Lake-Ridgecrest area will mark the International Year of the Child with a "Week of the Young Child" celebration beginning tomorrow and continuing through Saturday, March 31.

The week's festivities will begin with a "Family Fun Festival" tomorrow at the old Ridgecrest Park from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. There will be clowns, balloons, magic shows, obstacle courses, easel painting, play dough tables, petting zoo, pony rides and refreshments for everyone who wants to attend.

No fee will be charged "Family Fun Festival" attendees, who will also have the opportunity to see art work by preschoolers that will be on display.

In addition, during the coming week there will be story-telling and flannelgraph stories at the Ridgecrest Library, Monday through Wednesday from 3 to 4 p.m., and at the China Lake Library, Wednesday and Thursday from 3 to 4 p.m.

Each school will also have an open house during the "Week of the Young Child" as follows: Cerro Coso Community College — Tuesday, March 27, 9 to 11 a.m.; Ridgecrest Nursery — Wednesday, March 28, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.; El Ranchito — Wednesday,

March 28, 10 a.m. to 12 noon; Employee Services Board (ESB) Child Care Center — Thursday, March 29, 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

All children attending open house at any of the schools must be accompanied by an adult.

In connection with these events, the Desert Area Preschool Association (D.A.P.A.) will hold a spring seminar at the Ridgecrest Nursery School on Saturday, April 7, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. This program is open to all interested persons.

Francine Foster, who is currently teaching a class in California City on Early Childhood Curriculum, will be the guest speaker at this workshop-type meeting.

Ms. Foster will give tips on making creative toys for classroom and home use. In addition, she will discuss creative dramatics, children's books, science experiments and reading readiness.

The seminar, which will be limited to 30 students, is open at no cost to D.A.P.A. members. Non-members will be charged \$3 and students, \$2. Those interested in attending may register by calling Cynthia Garvin at 446-2961.

Discussion planned on possible changes in retirement plan

A public forum about the impact of a possible combination of the Social Security and Federal Civil Service retirement systems will be held tomorrow from 9 a.m. until noon in the old Kern County Building, 230 W. Ridgecrest Blvd.

This forum, sponsored by the IWV Chapter of Federally Employed Women, will feature a discussion of the two systems by Ann Renfro, resident representative of the Ridgecrest Social Security Office; Steve Sanders, acting head of the Employment, Wage, and Classification Division in the NWC Personnel Department; Marlene Steffen, Region VI National Vice-president of the National Federation of Federal Employees; Harry Thacker, president of the China Lake Metal Trades Council; and Robert A. Young, currently the A-6E Harpoon coordinator, who will represent concerned Civil Service employees.

Jackie Reed, Ridgecrest city clerk, will serve as moderator of the panel discussion. Also attending the meeting will be Frank Rodriguez, president of the Metal Trades Council of Long Beach, Calif., and John C. Robison, president of the West Coast District Metal Trades Council. Representatives of the Metal Trades Council attended Congressional Committee hearings held in San Francisco recently, and will be available to answer questions from the audience about these hearings.

Tomorrow's meeting is open to all interested persons. A \$1 donation is requested from each person attending to help defray travel expenses for the out-of-town speakers.

Seminar scheduled on lower back ache stress

Information on "Stress of the Back" will be the topic of a presentation that will be given at the Employee Assistance Program lunch-time seminar to be held next Wednesday, March 28, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Community Center.

The speaker will be Charles Wilhite, a certified corrective therapist who is an employee in the Naval Weapons Center's Safety and Security Department.

According to Wilhite, seven million Americans suffer from low back ache. His presentation will deal with ways to train those who have this problem to relax and exercise their backs so that they can feel better and "kick" the backache syndrome.

Employees are asked to bring brown bag lunches to the seminar. No advance registration is required.

Ronald Nelson becomes new police chief here

Ronald Nelson, a veteran of 20 years of service in increasing positions of responsibility with the Los Angeles Police Department, and an additional two years with the Police Department in the City of Compton, is the new China Lake chief of police in the NWC Safety and Security Department.

Police Chief Nelson, who began work here this week, was selected from a field of nearly 60 highly qualified applicants from all parts of the United States. He replaces Steve Kaupp, who served as chief of police for nearly eight years and was recently promoted to Associate Director for Security.

The new head of the Police Division in Code 24 retired from the Los Angeles Police Department in October 1976 after having worked just about every assignment possible from training, patrol work, narcotics and vice control, to community relations.

Last Position With LAPD

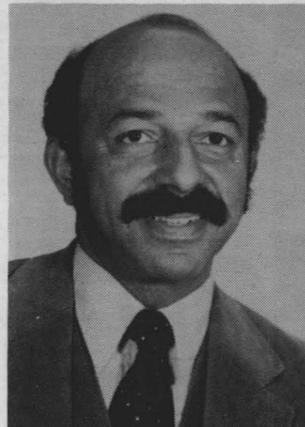
For the last two years prior to his retirement from the LAPD, Nelson was the department's Director of Community Relations and worked directly out of the office of Police Chief Ed Davis.

After retiring from the LAPD, Nelson joined the Police Department in the City of Compton as an inspector in charge of all background investigations, internal affairs, vice and narcotics units.

After taking and passing examinations, he was promoted first to captain and a few months later to the rank of commander in the Compton Police Department.

As a police captain in Compton, he was in charge of the city's entire patrol force of 50 to 60 policemen. Then, following a reorganization of the department, Nelson was responsible for directing law enforcement activities in the southwest area of the city.

At the time of his resignation from the Compton Police Department in order to



Ronald Nelson

accept the position of police chief at China Lake, Nelson was the Commanding Officer of the Compton PD's Crime Prevention Bureau.

Nelson was born and raised in the southland City of Pasadena, and served in the Army for three years (January 1951 to December 1953).

His tour of duty in the Army was followed by enrollment at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, where he played football and developed what has continued to be a lifelong interest in sports and physical fitness.

Upon graduation with a BA degree in sociology and criminology, Nelson joined the Los Angeles Police Department in 1956. Subsequently he took graduate courses at California State University in Los Angeles and also at Pepperdine University in Los Angeles which led to a master's degree in public communications.

Nelson's wife, Barbara, is a graduate of the Huntington Memorial School of Nursing and has a degree in nursing which she

received from the University of Southern California. At the present time, she is employed as a nurse at the Huntington Memorial Hospital in Pasadena, but will be joining her husband at China Lake soon.

The Nelsons have two children — both college graduates. Their son, Harold, was graduated from the DeVry Institute of Technology in Phoenix, Ariz. He is married and works as an engineer for the Lockheed Aircraft Corp. in Lancaster, Calif.

Their daughter, Rhonda, was graduated with a bachelor's degree in social science at UCLA and then completed a para-legal course at Westwood. She is now working on her master's degree at USC, where she is studying the criminal justice system. She also is in charge of the Compton Victim Witness Unit of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

Farewell party for 4 military officers planned March 29

A farewell party honoring four departing military officers of the Naval Weapons Center will be held next Thursday evening, March 29, at the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

Following a social hour from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., presentations will be made to the honored guests by Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander.

Those wishing to remain for dinner at 7 p.m. are asked to make their own reservations by calling 446-2549. Civilian guests are invited to attend the festivities.

The officers who will be leaving China Lake are LCDR. Ed Brooks, NWC military fleet support officer (Code 03A1); LCDR. Pete Dabbieri, A-6 Projects Officer in the Laboratory Directorate; LCDR. Hank Myers, operations analyst in the Weapons Planning Group (Code 12); and 1st Lt. Dave Wickert, U.S.A. ADP Plans and Operation Officer in the Laboratory Directorate.

Promotional Opportunities...

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to perform miscellaneous clerical functions; ability to use tact and sound judgement in dealing with personnel of all levels; ability to work efficiently under pressure.

File applications for the above with Mary Morrison, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 2392.

Electronics Technician, GS-856-11/12, PD Nos. 7834141 and 7835111, Code 3551 — This position is that of a test manager in the EW Projects Office, Comptrol Division, Division of the Electronic Warfare Department. The physical location is at the Electronic Warfare Threat Environment Simulation (EWTES) facility in the Rand-sburg Wash Test Area. The incumbent is responsible for specific flight tests and for the design and development of testing techniques and procedures. He initiates test plans and details test specifications and provides cost estimates to the EWTES customer. He monitors data reduction activities and performs mathematical analyses of the reduced data. He is required to interface with representatives of various companies and military activities. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of electronic warfare and related fields; knowledge of ground-based radar systems; knowledge of data analysis and reduction; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; ability to work effectively with people of widely differing personalities. Status eligibles accepted.

File applications for the above with Tina Rockdale, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 2476.

Mechanical Engineer, GS-830-11/12, PD Nos. 7855190E, 783699E, Code 3623 — This position is located in the Missile Support and Test Branch, Systems Engineering Division, Engineering Department. The duties of the position include mechanical engineering design and production engineering support for the electro-mechanics of air-to-air and surface-to-air guided missile systems, test equipment, and related areas. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of the state-of-the-art for component design and test equipment associated with the development of air-to-air missile systems; ability to perform design, redesign, and performance evaluation of electronic infrared guidance systems; applied knowledge of related disciplines including electronics and industrial engineering, logistics support, and documentation practices; ability to express himself/herself well in written and oral reports; ability to deal effectively with people of various technical backgrounds both from on-center and other government and contractor activities. Promotion potential to GS-12.

File applications for the above with Marge Stanton, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 2926.

Supervisory Electronics Technician, GS-856-12/13, PD No. 789923, Code 394 — This position is that of head, Electronics Branch, Electro-Optics Division, Weapons Department. The incumbent manages and provides technical direction for design, analysis and testing of infrared and electro-optical missile seekers, integration of seekers into missile systems, system test and evaluation, and advanced EO/IR technology development. Incumbent also performs studies and analyses of proposed modifications and new system/subsystem concepts such as the design and implementation of infrared and EO counter-countermeasures. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Experience in design, analysis and test of tactical missile systems/subsystems; experience in infrared or EO

seeker or sensor design; experience in planning and technically directing the work of others which demonstrates potential for supervisory position. GS-13 grade level subject to classification by WFO, NCPCE.

File applications for the above with Kitty Berry, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 2722.

Electronics Engineer, GS-855-12, PD No. 7942022E, Code 42312 — This position is in the Range Electronic Development Branch, Range Instrumentation Support Division, Range Department. The incumbent will be responsible for design and/or development of Range Video Systems in support of electronic needs within the range complex. Additionally, the incumbent will be involved with long-range planning and subsequent evaluation of these systems to insure that they meet present and future test requirements to fulfill the mission of the Naval Weapons Center. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of video systems; knowledge of communications effectively both orally and in writing; knowledge of range instrumentation operations; ability to work with all levels of NWC personnel.

Supervisory Electronics Engineer, GS-855-12, PD No. 7942021E, Code 4243 — This position is that of head, Telemetry Technology Branch, Telemetry Division, Range Department. The incumbent is responsible for supporting RDT&E efforts involving telemetry systems for weapons, aircraft, and ground instrumentation. The incumbent is responsible for providing technical direction to branch personnel, planning, controlling, coordinating and reporting on all assigned projects. The incumbent will also be the technical project engineer on the Navy's Secure Telemetry Program. Promotion potential to GS-13, contingent upon allocation of high grade space and performance. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Extensive design experience with instrumentation data link systems (e.g., airborne/ground receiving systems); knowledge of aircraft/missile instrumentation; knowledge of range operations, scheduling, aircraft safety and operations; knowledge of NWC fiscal policies including T&E institutional budget process; ability to supervise.

File applications for the above with Jan Nieberlein, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 2577.

Clerk (Typing), GS-301-5, PD No. 7723058, Code 231 — This position is located in the Publications Division, Technical Information Department. The incumbent maintains division head's calendar; sets up conferences and performs necessary work prior to them. Serves as receptionist to telephone and personal callers, using judgment concerning referrals; reviews incoming correspondence for content and routes to appropriate personnel, retaining that to be handled personally; prepares requests for personnel actions; maintains division files; makes travel arrangements; serves as custody control point for Comptrol material; processes and returns or retains all classified material. Maintains records on division equipment and conducts periodic surveys, orders supplies, and prepares announcement of publications biweekly. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Demonstrated ability to deal tactfully but effectively with all levels of NWC employees; ability to work on many complex tasks concurrently; desire to learn and perform a variety of secretarial/clerical functions; and knowledge of security procedures concerning classified documents.

File applications for the above with Charlotte Siewkowski, Bldg. 34, Rm. 208, Ph. 2393.

Donations sought for art exhibit, auction planned at college

The Fire Mountain Foundation is asking for donations of art items for a large exhibit and auction to be held in conjunction with the Great Desert Adventure Weekend at Cerro Coso Community College on March 30, 31, and April 1.

Art and craft creations of Indian Wells Valley artists will be on display and offered for sale in the college student center from 7 to 9 p.m., Friday, March 30; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, March 31; and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, April 1.

The auction of art items donated to the Foundation will be held on Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m.

Ruth Cooper, president of the Foundation, said, "all proceeds from the auction will go to support courses, programs and services at the college as well as for the student loan and scholarship fund. Donations are tax deductible."

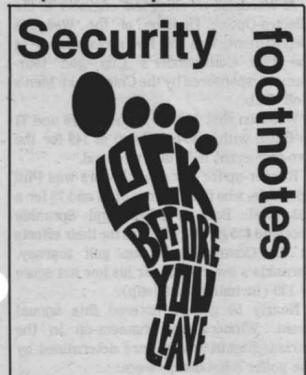
Persons wishing to donate oil paintings, water colors, ceramics, metal works, sculpture, needlepoint and other art forms, are asked to call 375-5001, Ext. 17, to arrange for their contributions to be picked up.

Seats open on bus trip to races at Santa Anita

Military and civilian personnel at China Lake are invited by the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess to join them on a bus trip to the Santa Anita race track next Friday, March 30.

The bus will leave the COM parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will return at about 8 p.m. after a day at the races.

Individuals interested in making the bus trip with WACOM may obtain tickets by calling Pat Wilson at 446-5255 no later than next Wednesday night.



Problems have been encountered when certain crafts (carpenters, painters, electricians, aircraft maintenance technicians, etc.) are required to wear their NWC badge exposed at all times while they work in restricted areas.

Therefore, in the interest of safety, this security requirement may be waived under hazardous conditions. For those NWC and contractor personnel engaged in duties within a restricted area wherein wearing of their badge as normally required presents a safety hazard to the individual, the individual responsible for classified security in the immediate work area may permit the craftsman to remove his badge.

The badge must, however, be retained by the craftsman at all times and must be shown upon request for identification and area authorization purposes. Workmen may not leave the immediate work area without wearing their pass. Passes must be worn upon entry into and exit from all restricted areas.

This relaxation of identification requirements places an additional emphasis on each individual's responsibility to challenge anyone moving about in any restricted area without his badge being in plain sight.