

Murder-mystery by China Lake Players begins run tonight

The first two of six performances of the China Lake Players' initial production of the 1983 season are scheduled tonight and tomorrow night, starting at 8:15, at The Playhouse (corner of Blandy Avenue and Lauritsen Road).

Repeat performances of this ingenious murder-mystery, entitled "Catch Me If You Can," also are scheduled at 2 p.m. on Sunday, as well as on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 10, 11 and 12, at 8:15 p.m. at The Playhouse.

Because of the limited seating capacity of The Playhouse, reservations are necessary and can be made by calling 446-5026 or 446-6212. Ticket prices are \$3.50 for general admission and \$2.50 for senior citizens, enlisted military personnel and students.

The setting for "Catch Me If You Can" is a summer cabin in the Catskill Mountains over a Labor Day weekend. The action begins immediately as the play unfolds a tangled plot of surprises and turnabouts.

Karen Torrence is making her debut as a director with this comedy-thriller, and is joined by Richard Jackson as technical director.

Members of the cast are Edward Torrence, as Daniel Corban; Gary Houston, as Inspector Levine; Lynn Wilson, as Elizabeth Corban; Bernard J. Stewart, as Father Kelleher; Rudyard Stone, as Sydney; and James E. Goss and Susan Stewart, as Mr. and Mrs. Parker.

"Catch Me If You Can" is billed as entertainment suitable for the entire family.

Astronomy group to present film on 'Women at NASA'

The China Lake Astronomical Society (CLAS) will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Ridgcrest library.

Featured during the meeting will be a film produced in 1981 by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) entitled "Women at NASA."

Ricardo Montalban interviews seven outstanding NASA women, the stars of the film, about their careers. Astronaut Anna Lee Fisher, Dr. Patricia Cowings, Shirley Chevalier, Sue Norman, Sharon Orkansky, Brenda Willis, and Astronaut Catherine Sullivan discuss the intelligence, excellence, and teamwork that are keys to success at NASA, and in life.

"Women at NASA" won the 1981 Silver Screen Award at the U.S. Industrial Film Festival, the 1981 Golden Eagle Award at the Council of International Nontheatrical Events (CINE), the Bronze Award at the 1981 World Aerospace Film Festival, (Amsterdam), the Silver Medal at the 1981 International Film and TV Festival in 1981, and a Certificate at the 12th International Scientific Film Festival, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Recorded music at EM

The Enlisted Mess has scheduled a dance tonight in the flight deck. Orlando Holman will be playing a variety of recorded disco music from 9 p.m. until 1:30 a.m.

Search for Talent show scheduled on March 15

The Exchange Club of Ridgcrest will hold its seventh annual Search for Talent Show on March 15 at 7 p.m. in the Center theater.

A special guest on this occasion will be Lisa Davenport, Miss California, who will sing several songs and award trophies to the winners of this event. Martha Boessow, Miss Indian Wells Valley, will emcee the talent show for which there is a general admission fee of \$1.

Auditions and sign-ups will begin at noon on March 13 in the theater. Those who plan to audition should come prepared to exhibit their talent with taped music or an accompanist and with costume.

Five judges will select the winner in each of three categories (Primary, ages 6-9,



A FEAST OF FINE VOICES — Chanticleer's varied and unusual a capella repertoire will be presented next Wednesday night, March 9, at the Center theater. This program is fourth in the current series of the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association.

Concert by Chanticleer, men's chorus, set March 9 at theater

Chanticleer, a talented men's chorus dedicated to the performance of the rich male-voice repertoire (ranging from the Middle Ages through the present-day popular scene) will perform next Wednesday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Center theater.

The program by Chanticleer is the fourth in the series of six concerts presented this season by the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association. This particular engagement is supported, in part, by funds from the California Arts Council.

Whether performing barbershop quartet selections, medieval motets or upbeat Gershwin songs, the ensemble is certain to appeal to audiences of all ages, Concert Association officials report.

Tickets for the concert by Chanticleer are now on sale at the Museum Man and Medical Arts Pharmacy in Ridgcrest, and also at the Maturango Museum's business

St. Patrick's Day celebration planned, event open to public

Everyone, whether ye be Irish or not, is invited to join with members of the All Faith Chapel Catholic congregation and St. Ann's Church in Ridgcrest for a St. Patrick's Day celebration to be held Sunday, March 13, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Ridgcrest.

A corn beef and cabbage dinner will be served between 5 and 8 p.m., and there will be lots of Irish music and door prizes.

Tickets for this event are priced at \$5 each for adults and \$2.50 for children under the age of 12. They may be purchased following all weekend masses at the NWC Catholic Chapel and at St. Ann's Church.

During the week, tickets can be obtained at the St. Ann's School office and the NWC Chapel office. Proceeds of this family fun event will go to the Children's Fund.

The St. Patrick's Day celebration is being co-chaired by Margaret Wheeler and Agnes Winter.

Junior, ages 10-15, and Senior, ages 16-19) based on the degree of difficulty, technique, showmanship, personality, excellence of performance, and audience response.

The judges will be Judge Charles Porter, of the East Kern Municipal Court; Lita Reid, city editor of the Daily Independent newspaper; Sandra Raines, vocal instructor at Cerro Coso Community College; Georgia Knutsen, owner of the Sierra Academy of Dance; and Jan Burch, director of the Miss California City Pageant.

The alternate judge is Pete Petersen, a member of the Miss Indian Wells Valley Pageant.

Winners will receive trophies and \$50 U.S. Savings Bonds. There will also be trophies for those who placed second and third. All

MOVIES

(G) ALL AGES ADMITTED
General Audiences
(PG) ALL AGES ADMITTED
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(R) RESTRICTED
Under 17 requires accompanying
Parent or Adult Guardian

Regular starting time 7:00 p.m.

FRI. SAT. SUN	"ANNIE" Starring Aileen Quinn and Albert Finney (Musical/Comedy, rated PG, 127 min.)	MARCH 4, 5, 6
MONDAY	"NIGHT SHIFT" Starring Henry Winkler and Michael Keaton (Comedy, rated R, 106 min.)	MARCH 7
FRIDAY	"BEST LITTLE WHOREHOUSE IN TEXAS" Starring Burt Reynolds and Dolly Parton (Musical/Comedy, rated R, 114 min.)	MARCH 11

Shakespeare play will open CLOTA season March 11

Spring is the time for love, and what better subject for the first production of the year by the Community Light Opera and Theater Association?

The play is William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and the production will be presented at the Burroughs High School lecture center on Friday and Saturday, March 11 and 12, and 18 and 19, starting at 7:30 p.m.

General admission is \$3.50, with students, enlisted military, and senior citizens admitted for \$2.50. Tickets can be purchased in advance from cast members or at the box office on any of the production nights.

Oberon, King of the Fairies, will be portrayed by Robert Persons, with Karen Buehler appearing as Titania, his queen. Jon Bell plays the impish Puck, and Alex Bellen takes the role of Theseus, Duke of Athens.

The lovers will be played by Kathy Farris-Burfeindt, Robert Lee, Robert Arnold and Laura Wisniewski. Eduardo Romero, well-known in local theatrical circles, has the role of the stubborn father of one of the lovers.

Tina Dillard directs this Shakespearean production, assisted by Tricia Siegel.

Season tickets for CLOTA productions on sale at Commissary

Season tickets for three productions scheduled during 1983 by the Community Light Opera and Theater Association (CLOTA) are now on sale at the Commissary Store.

Price of the season tickets is \$11 for general admission, or \$8 for enlisted military personnel, students and senior citizens.

The first of the tickets in the package of three will be good for admission to "A Midsummer Night's Dream," which will be presented by CLOTA at the Burroughs High School lecture center on March 11-12 and 18-19.

CLOTA season ticket sales will continue at the Commissary Store from now until March 18. Other productions to be staged later in the year by CLOTA are "Oklahoma" and "The King and I."

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NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER
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5 Centerites honored at Fedl. Exec. Bd. awards program

The Naval Weapons Center reaped a significant share (in three out of six categories) of the major honors presented last Friday at the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board's 10th annual Distinguished Public Service Awards program.

More than 200 persons (the largest number ever to attend) filled the main dining room of the Riviera Country Club in the West Los Angeles for this event.

Joan Leslie, a former film and television actress, was joined by William K. Anderson, chairman of the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board, in presenting awards to the winners and to the nominees, who also were given special recognition.

COINCIDES WITH ANNIVERSARY

This event, Anderson noted during his preliminary remarks, coincides this year with the 100th anniversary of the passage of the Civil Service Act. Those being honored, he added, represented the high caliber of public service rendered by the estimated 100,000 federal employees in the Los Angeles area.

Anderson's job is that of Director of the Veterans Administration's Los Angeles Medical Center.

China Lakers honored at this prestigious event were Capt. Lahr, NWC Commander; Dr. Carl F. Austin, head of the Geothermal Utilization Division in the Public Works Department; and Richard W. Keith, a painter in the Building Trades Branch of Public Works.

NOMINEES FROM NWC

In addition, Sterling Haaland, a supervisory electronics engineer who heads the Weapons Department's Radio Frequency Division, was a nominee for the "Outstanding Supervisor Award," and LCDR. E. J. "Chip" Lancaster, aviation safety officer in the NWC Aircraft Department, represented the NWC Helicopter Search and Rescue Crew, which was nominated for the LA FEB Chairman's Special Award.

Capt. Lahr was singled out to receive the

New rainfall record for 24-hour period set here

A new record for the amount of rainfall to hit the local area in a 24-hour period was set between 4:38 p.m. Monday and 4:38 p.m. on Tuesday, when 2.38 in. of rain was recorded at Armitage Airfield.

According to AGC R. L. Braddock, assistant officer-in-charge of the Naval Oceanography Command Detachment at China Lake, the local area was on the receiving end of the effects of an intense low pressure system located off the California coast, due west of San Francisco.

This weather front remained stationary and kicked off short wave activity that brought the drenching rains here, AGC Braddock said. As of Friday morning, precipitation totalled 3.36 in. in for the storm. Rain continued on Wednesday, but let up on Thursday, and there was no sign of it on Friday.

By mid-morning on Wednesday, the total amount of precipitation for the year to date had reached 6.12 in., which far exceeds the annual average of just over 4 in. for the past 12 years.

Personnel of the Naval Oceanography Command Detachment, who usually secure nightly at 11 o'clock, were on continuous duty for a little over 40 hours, beginning at 11:13 a.m. Tuesday because of a tornado watch.

The "watch" was upgraded to a "warning" at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday and during the night on Tuesday there were visual sightings of two active and six passive



NWC WELL REPRESENTED — When it came to handing out kudos to those singled out for recognition at the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board's Distinguished Public Service Awards program, the Naval Weapons Center was well represented with winners in three of the six categories, and nominees in two others. Those honored during a luncheon held last Friday at the Riviera Country Club in West Los Angeles were (l.-r.) Sterling Haaland (nominee), Dr. Carl Austin, Capt. Lahr, and Richard W. Keith (award winners), and LCDR. E. J. "Chip" Lancaster (also a nominee.) The presentations were made by Joan Leslie, a former movie and television actress, assisted by William K. Anderson, chairman of the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board.

top award in a category that recognized an individual's contribution to effective cooperation.

The multiple aspects of Capt. Lahr's responsibilities as NWC Commander that were summarized in his nomination for this Federal Executive Board Award began by mentioning his personal involvement in getting the necessary high-level support for an internally funded project that was intended to quickly provide the Fleet with an affordable and accurate weapon with which to attack ships at sea.

Although this project, called Skipper, was not then in the Department of Defense

budget, Capt. Lahr personally brought its successful development/demonstration to the attention of the Commander, Naval Air Systems Command, the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare), and the Chief of Naval Material among others and obtained their support.

The nomination of Capt. Lahr for the FEB Distinguished Public Service Award also noted his personal contribution to successful and amicable resolution with animal protection groups of the feral burro control problem at China Lake, as well as leadership in forming the High Desert Civilian/Military Affairs Council, and his

role in the interaction between NWC and the Ridgcrest and Bakersfield Military Affairs Committees.

In addition, this award for Capt. Lahr was based on his personal commitment to the Navywide drug abuse program, and his strong support of the NWC Equal Employment Opportunity Program.

TOP PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE

Dr. Austin was one of three Civil Service employees to be honored by receiving FEB Awards in the "Outstanding Professional Employee" category. This recognition was based on Dr. Austin's significant contributions to the performance, control and coordination of all Navy geothermal exploration, development and production programs.

As a consequence of the success he has achieved in his efforts, Dr. Austin has, according to the citation that accompanied his award, "made outstanding contributions to the worldwide search for new sources of energy to accelerate conservation of the nation's diminishing conventional energy sources, and to preserve the environmental quality of man's natural world."

WIDE RANGE OF DUTIES

Dr. Austin, who has been an NWC employee since February 1961, has headed the Geothermal Utilization Division in Code 26 for the past six years. He is involved not only in directing scientists and technicians, field and operational personnel in exploration and development of areas with geothermal potential, but also must formulate projects for exploration and development.

Such project proposals must then be presented at national or international levels in order to obtain the coordination of related geophysical programs by other government agencies and academic institutions.

Additional duties include consultation and coordination with other government laboratories and the Armed Services of the United States worldwide in the exploration and development of geothermal potential on military lands.

Keith, who has worked as a painter at China Lake for more than seven years, was



COMMON SIGHT — Heavy rainfall on Tuesday and Wednesday made sights like this commonplace at low spots on streets in the housing and business area.

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Employee service awards

The following Naval Weapons Center employees have received federal service or NWC length-of-service awards:

 David J. White 30 yrs. Fed'l Service Code 3814	 Dale Riggins 30 yrs. Fed'l Service Code 6221	 Al L. Benton 30 yrs. NWC Service Code 6221	 Adolph B. Amster 25 yrs. Fed'l Service Code 385
 LeRoy M. Stayton 25 yrs. Fed'l Service Code 38803	 D. Jon Rogerson 20 yrs. Fed'l Service Code 6211	 Lorraine E. Martin 20 yrs. NWC Service Code 385	 William F. Cox 20 yrs. Fed'l & NWC Service Code 2635

Promotional opportunities

Applications (Standard Form 171) should be put in the drop box at the Reception Desk of the Personnel Dept., 305 Blandy. Unless otherwise specified in an ad, applications for positions listed in this column will be accepted from current permanent NWC employees only. All others desiring employment at NWC may contact the Employment, Wage & Classification Division, Code 092, Ext. 2069. 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. Advertising positions in the Promotional Opportunities column does not preclude the use of alternative recruiting sources in filling these positions. The filling of these positions through Merit Promotion is subject to the requirements of the DoD Program for the Stability of Civilian Employment. The minimum qualification requirements for all GS positions and positions subject to the Demonstration Project are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118; those for all wage system positions are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118C. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of experience, training, education, and awards as indicated in a written record consisting of a SF-171, at least one supervisory appraisal if it can be obtained, and any tests, medical examinations, interviews, and supplemental qualifications requirements that may be necessary. For managerial/supervisory positions, consideration will be given to applicant's support of the Equal Employment Opportunity programs and objectives. Applicants must meet time in grade and qualifications requirements by the closing date of the ad. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason.

Announcement No. 3607, Interdisciplinary General/Mechanical/Electronic Engineer or Physicist — This position is located in the Engineering Services Contract Office, Engineering Department. The incumbent will be responsible for the technical coordination of the Engineering Services Contract to be awarded soon and will serve as Sailor Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR). As COTR the incumbent will be required to develop and implement procedures and policies that permit the effective utilization of this contract. The incumbent will be responsible for interpreting the technical aspects of the contracting process, reviewing proposed Delivery Orders to ensure they have the essential technical information and requirements for the contractor to perform, ensuring that the final product has been defined in appropriate detail, and ensuring that the work statements are clearly defined and that they fall within the scope of the contract. The incumbent will perform necessary liaison with the contractor to facilitate the flow of work performed and initiate timely corrective actions as required. He will perform studies and analyses of work performed and will manage the effort to ensure that quality and quantity meets contract requirements, and will assist in the award fee determination. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of the DoD system acquisition process; knowledge of quality assurance, reliability and technical data management; ability to effectively communicate orally and in writing.

Announcement No. 08-008, Budget Analyst, DA-560-1, PAC No. 8308549N, Code 0833 — This position is located in the Budget Division, Office of Finance and Management. The incumbent provides services to one or more of NWC's operating departments. Incumbent is responsible for all phases of budget execution, formulation, control and monitoring of direct, overhead and capital budgets. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to gather and analyze raw financial data; ability to prepare clear and concise written and oral communications; ability to deal factually and effectively with others. Promotion potential to DA-3. Status eligibles accepted.

Announcement No. 25-003, Administrative Officer, DA-341-2, PAC No. 8325500, Code 252 — This position is in the division office of the Contracts Division, Supply Department. The incumbent serves as the administrative officer for the division and acts independently to provide the full range of administrative and staff support involving primarily resource management. Incumbent conducts management studies relative to organizational resources, structure, processes, economy of operations and compliance with policies; provides division managers with personal management assistance including developing, implementing and monitoring the division's complex mandatory professional development program, writing selection criteria, developing, maintaining and projecting the Division Staffing Plan, coordinating the division recruiting program, and advising managers and supervisors regarding personnel procedures and problems; develop, analyze, maintain, and recommend changes to OASIS management information system, STAFS and numerous division office automation systems; manage other division resources including space and facilities, equipment acquisition and utilization; and budget formulation and control. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Must have good knowledge of administrative management techniques of the administrative, fiscal and management processes of NWC. Demonstrated ability to show initiative and act independently. Ability to develop and carry out analyses, present findings and recommendations orally and in writing. Able to work well in team situations. (Promotion potential to DA-3, however promotion is not guaranteed).

Announcement No. 31-086, Supervisory Physicist, General Engineer, Electronics Engineer, Computer Scientist, DA-4, PAC 8331501, Code 319 — This position is that of head, Tactical Software Engineering Division, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The division provides detailed analysis for strike aircraft tactical systems (such as the A-4/A-7/A-8, A-6, A-7, F/A-18) and the development of tactical systems software including software design, implementation, test, verification/validation, documentation, and configuration management. The incumbent is responsible for the overall technical direction, and control of projects assigned to the Division. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Strong background in physics, analysis of physical systems, and avionics; overall knowledge of operational software development; knowledge of digital computer simulation and the system engineering process; knowledge of digital computer simulation and the system engineering process; knowledge of Center support functions; analytical ability; ability to deal effectively with personnel inside and outside government; ability to confront people problems (EEO). Previous applicants being considered and need not reapply.

Announcement No. 3604, Model Maker Foreman, WS-4714-14, Job Description No. 8236015E, Code 3644 — This position is that of head, Central Model Shop Branch, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. Incumbent directs the branch in fabrication, modification, and assembly of experimental, engineering or prototype models of missile assemblies/subassemblies and technical equipment for optical, electrical and laser components for the Center's research and development activities in the most cost-effective manner. Incumbent is responsible for planning work operations to meet project schedules, estimating costs, assigning work to branch personnel, reviewing in-process and completed work, and training branch personnel in work methods and procedures. Incumbent is responsible for personnel matters such as hiring, safety, hazard awareness, morale, leave, performance ratings, discipline, and EEO. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise; ability to plan and organize work; knowledge of difference relevant lines of work; ability to work with others; ability to meet deadlines under pressure; ability to suggest and apply new methods; interest in and support of the EEO Program. Supplemental qualification forms 100 may be obtained at the reception desk Personnel Building.

Announcement No. C-42-02, Electronics Technician, DT-856-3, PAC No. 824257N, Code 62354 — This position is located in the Range Development Branch of the Range Department. Incumbent designs, develops, installs and maintains electronic test equipment. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Must have a Bachelor's degree in any of the technical sciences math or engineering. Knowledge of contracting procedures, ability to communicate clearly and effectively, both orally and in writing. Knowledge of cost estimating. Knowledge of Center's ADP policies and procedures. Proficiency in reviewing specifications and related documents, knowledge of DoD standards and in the development of specifications. For further information contact Bruce Werthenberger, Code 01A1, ext. 3178, or Bryan Hill, Code 3875, Ext. 2615.

Announcement No. C-44-02, Electronics Engineer, DP-853-2, PAC NO. 8345181E, Code 44242 — This position is located in the Engineering Support Section, Telemetry Systems Branch, Telemetry/Test Engineering Division of the Aerosystems Department. Incumbent will perform engineering design, development, and specification of various systems, equipment, and components for electronic measurement, timing, recording, control, and communication necessary to meet data and operational requirements of various missile programs. Incumbent performs technical studies and analysis of data recording in order to determine the adequacy of instrumentation and measurement techniques to be applied to specific missile tests and to meet the data requirements. Will use standard and special calibration procedures required to insure the accuracies and validity of recorded data. To apply for this position, contact Larry Harlan, ext. 2621.

Reassignment Opportunities

This column is used to fill positions through reassignment only. For this reason, the Reassignment Opportunity Announcements are separate from the Promotion Opportunities column in the Rocketeer. Applications will be accepted until the closing date in the announcement. Employees whose work history has not been brought up to date are encouraged to file an SF-171 or 172. All applicants must meet minimum qualification requirements established by the Office of Personnel Management. Information concerning the recruitment and placement program and the evaluation methods used in these reassignment opportunities may be obtained from Personnel Management Advisors (Code 096 or 097). Applications should be filed with the person whose name is listed in the announcement. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Announcement No. 31-091, Interdisciplinary, General Engineer, Electronics Engineers, Computer Scientist, Physicist, Mathematician, Aerospace Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, 801/855/1550/1310/1520/841/820, DP-3/4, Code 31928 — This position is the Center's Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) for the technical management of the omnibus ADP Services Contract which is about to be awarded. Incumbent serves as technical advisor and monitor for the contract, reviews the contractor's delivery adequacy, evaluates contractor cost and manpower estimates for performance of work, serves as the technical contact for relating information to and from the contractor, and advises both the contractor and the Contracting Officer regarding apparent problem areas. Conducts surveillance work performance, reviews contractor invoices, voucher and other documentation, assures that proper documentation is provided for all work requested by the government and performed by the contractor, and certifies to inspections performed when completed. Incumbent administratively reports to the head, Aircraft Weapons Systems Department, but is responsible to the Director of Supply Department, (Code 25243), who is the Contracting Officer for guidance in managing contractual relationships. This is a developmental position to be filled by individuals desiring such a 12-24 month assignment. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Must have a Bachelor's degree in any of the technical sciences math or engineering. Knowledge of contracting procedures, ability to communicate clearly and effectively, both orally and in writing. Knowledge of cost estimating. Knowledge of Center's ADP policies and procedures. Proficiency in reviewing specifications and related documents, knowledge of DoD standards and in the development of specifications. For further information contact Bruce Werthenberger, Code 01A1, ext. 3178, or Bryan Hill, Code 3875, Ext. 2615.

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PROTESTANT	
Sunday Worship Service	1000
Sunday School	0830
ROMAN CATHOLIC	
Sunday Masses	0830 & 1130
Daily Mass (except Saturday)	1135
Sunday Religious Education Classes	1000
JEWISH	
Friday in the East Wing	1930
UNITARIAN	
Sunday, Annex 95, as announced	1930

Early trout season opens tomorrow in Owens Valley area

Fishing in the Owens Valley has been slow for the past several weeks, but is expected to improve enough this week to make tomorrow's opening day of the early trout season a tremendous success. All streams from Independence Creek south and from Highway 395 west will open for fishing. (The Owens River, Diaz Lake, Lone Pine Pond, and the other sloughs and ponds in the Owens Valley are open year-round to anglers.)

The water temperature by last weekend was close to the minimum temperature of 45 degrees required before a stream can be stocked, so a fresh load of catchable trout is expected to be stocked in all the creeks for tomorrow's opener. The limit for trout during the early season is five fish. While most anglers think mainly of trout when fishing in the Owens Valley, some respectable bass in the five-pound and up category are caught regularly by those who hit the sloughs and ponds that are well established. Bass also are caught in the Owens River itself.

Calvert Slough, for instance, provides really good bass fishing, as do Lone Pine Pond and Diaz Lake. Most of the bass are the large mouth variety, and bite in water temperatures of 50 degrees and up.

The weather is still too cold for catfish to be biting — they prefer warmer water. Best place to head for a string of catfish is the concrete flume below Tinemaha Reservoir.

Prizes await winner tomorrow in Bishop's annual trout derby

Tomorrow is the annual trout derby at Bishop — not an event in which trout are raced but a competition for anglers to see which one can catch a trout that is closest in weight to a "blind bogey" fish caught earlier in the week.

A representative of the Bishop Chamber of Commerce catches the blind bogey fish, and its weight is noted, notarized, and the information placed in a sealed envelope that will be opened at 5 p.m. tomorrow at the conclusion of the derby.

The person whose catch is the closest in weight to the blind bogey fish will win a new Honda EM 500 portable generator. Trout derby participants also will be eligible for other prizes of outdoor equipment that have been donated by Owens Valley merchants.

Anglers who wish to participate have from daybreak to 5 p.m. to catch five fish (the legal limit). They should register for the derby tomorrow morning at the check-in station at Pleasant Valley Reservoir, and then return there at 5 o'clock with their fish for the official weighing.



DRIVING FOR HOOP — Troy Mather, of the Spurs, has the edge on two defenders for the Trailblazers as he breaks for the hoop in this Youth Basketball League game. Mather scored 16 points in the Spurs' 42-27 win over the Trailblazers.



MIGHTY EFFORT — Sandra Johnson (No. 44), of Villa Park, takes full advantage of her height to pick off a rebound and go up for a jump shot. At right, Kris Kinkennon (No. 52) attempts to her prime task of shielding out Constance Waikle, the tallest player in the game for the visiting Spartans. —Photo by PHI Benita Tetreault

Wins by Spurs, Pacers highlight play in Youth Basketball League

Wins by the Spurs and the Pacers, two teams entered in the Junior Division, kicked off last weekend's Youth Basketball League competition at the Center gym and the Youth gym.

The Spurs raked the Trailblazers 42-27, and the Pacers outscored the Hawks 38-22 in games that were played on Friday night.

Troy Mather, who tallied 16 points, and Barrie Riddoch, who had 14, led scoring for the Spurs in their win over the Trailblazers. High point man for the Trailblazers was David Shumway with 7.

A more evenly-balanced scoring attack that produced 10 points by Matt Mechtenberg, and 9 and 8 for Todd Stephens and Mike Holms, respectively, was instrumental in the Pacers' victory over the Hawks. Wade Boyack, top scorer for the Hawks, tallied 10.

In three Intermediate Division tilts, the Celtics defeated the Knicks 40-31; and the Pistons and Rockets trounced the Bullets and Nuggets by scores of 29-9 and 55-16, respectively.

Maurice Callaway and Danny Mather tallied 11 points each for the Celtics in their win over the Knicks, whose top scorer was Derek Lindsey with 9.

Three players with 6 points each paced the Pistons in their 29-9 win over the Bullets. They were Matt Plugge, Lamonte Dawson and Brenden Ledden.

Scott Arts ripped the net for 17 points during the Rockets' lopsided victory over the Nuggets. Runner-up for scoring honors for the Rockets was Paul Ashton, who tallied 8.

Two games played in the Instructional Division of the Youth Basketball League resulted in a 22-18 win by the Nets over the Stars, and a 41-7 trouncing by the Bulls over

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Season ends . . .

(Continued from Page 6) astray under the Alta Villa basket — gave the ball to the Spartans with just 11 sec. showing on the scoreboard clock.

In an effort to regain possession of the ball, Cabrera of Alta Villa drew a foul and hit both ends of a 1 and 1 free throw effort that gave the Spartans what turned out to be their 1-point margin of victory (35-34).

The Burroettes had one more chance with the ball again in their possession and 7 sec. left to play, but a hurried throw down court went over the head of the player for whom it was intended and out of bounds. This turnover was all the Spartans needed to run the last few ticks off the clock before the final buzzer sounded to end the game.

Waikle of Alta Villa was the game's top scorer with 15 points on 7 field goals and 1 free throw. Backing her up were Christine Lambrose and Monica Arnebro, who tallied 8 points each for the visitors.

Veatch hit 6 field goals and 2 out of 2 free throws for a total of 14 points for Burroughs, while Kinkennon tallied 12 points on 4 field goals and 4 charity tosses.

The Burros' girls outrebounded the Spartans 26-24, with Cecilia Scanlan getting 12 of the caroms for the Ridgecrest team.

Buggy Bath keglers bolster lead in Premier League

The Premier League lead held by the Buggy Bath keglers ballooned to 10½ points over the second place ERI Hustlers following Monday night's action at Hall Memorial Lanes.

The Buggy Bath bowlers clobbered Raytheon Sidewinders 17 to 3 in their match, and the Hustlers managed a 12-8 win over Sports of All Sorts.

High team game for the night was the 991 posted by the ERI Hustlers, while the Killen & Hutchison CPA squad rolled the high team series — a total of 2872.

Individual scoring honors were snared by Jeff Mattick, who topped the 600 series mark with a 615 total that included a 257 high game.

Other Premier League bowlers with single game scores of more than 220 were Dave Stahlin (225), Mike Brown (223), and Hub Zimmerman (221).

Team	Won	Lost
Buggy Bath	277	203
ERI Hustlers	266.5	213.5
Killen & Hutchison CPA	259.5	220.5
National Car Rental	253	227
Hideaway	247	233
Elks Lodge	234	246
Raytheon Sidewinders	230	250
Turner's Real Estate	224.5	255.5
Sports of All Sorts	220.5	259.5
The Place	188	292

Promotional opportunities

(Continued from Page 2) checks out subsystems and components of the Active Radar Instrumentation and Test Equipment. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of theories and practices associated with electronic instrumentation and test equipment; knowledge of automatic radar ranging devices, electrical servo control systems as in the Nike Hercules tracking mount, and tracking mount interfaces. Status eligibles may apply.

Announcement No. 08-007, Accountant, DA-510-1, PAC No. 8308543N07, Code 08606 — This position has promotion potential to DA-3 and is open to status eligibles. This position is located in the Office of Finance and Management, Accounting and Disbursing Division Quality Control and Analysis Staff. Under the guidance and supervision of the head, Accounting and Disbursing Division or a senior accountant, the incumbent maintains accounting records and ledgers that include information in terms of unit costs, expenses, inventories, cost of sales, overhead distribution, and revenues for services provided by the activity. Prepares analyses and interprets statements of financial condition and other accounting reports. Designs, adapts, installs, evaluates, and/or revises prescribed accounting systems including accounts, reports, records, devices for controls, and related procedures. Uses accounting information to help solve management problems through advice and collaboration. Researches accounting and disbursing policies and procedures and conducts evaluation of accounting practices and systems. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of basic accounting theories, techniques, and standards; ability to perform analysis of an accounting nature. Note: Applicants should possess a Bachelor's degree in accounting or any degree supplemented by 24 semester hours in accounting.

Announcement No. 31-092, Interdisciplinary, General Engineer, Electronics Engineer, Computer Scientist, Physicist, Mathematician, Aerospace Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, 801/855/1550/1310/1520/841/820, DP-3, PAC 8331524, Code 3113 — This position is that of System Software Manager, DP-3, located in the A-7 Facility Branch, Avionic Facilities Division, Aircraft Weapons

Integration Department. The A-7 Facility Branch provides the simulation/integration work stations used in the development, test, validation, verification and modification of Operational Flight Programs for the tactical computers of A-7 aircraft. The incumbent will be responsible for providing system software support to the PDP-11 RT and RSK operating systems and associated systems software in the branch's labs. The incumbent will modify and update the DEC software configuration for appropriate computers. The incumbent will be involved in coordination and evaluation of facility design, installation and operations. Additionally, the incumbent will design and develop special device drivers to support special purpose hardware, provide training and documentation in the use of system software and act as the branch's primary interface with system vendor. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of PDP-11 computers and operating systems; some knowledge of aircraft avionics simulation and validation/test procedures; ability to program in PDP-MACRO-11 Assembly Language and Fortran; ability to communicate well orally and in writing; ability to coordinate work efforts of personnel from various disciplines and levels of experience.

Training class

To enroll in the following classes students should submit NWC Training Request and Authorization Form 12410 73, via department channels, to reach code 094 before the deadline listed. If handicapped indicate need for first floor room location on training request.

Reliability by Design, March 21 - 24, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily; instructor: Staff of the A-7 Analysis Center, Corona, Calif.

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Recreation roundup

China Lake Little League baseball team tryouts slated

Tryouts for boys and girls 6 through 12 years of age who are interested in playing on China Lake Little League baseball teams this season will be held tomorrow and again on Saturday, March 12.

The tryouts are scheduled tomorrow from 1 to 4 p.m. and also on Saturday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at China Lake Little League diamond No. 4.

Since the China Lake Little League territory also takes in youngsters who live north of Drummond Drive in Ridgecrest, as well as those who reside in the Inyokern area, tryouts also are slated tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and on Saturday March 12, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Little League baseball field in Inyokern.

Prospective players who have not already registered may do so at the time tryouts are held. They must present a birth certificate as verification of their age, and there is a donation of \$20 per player, or \$30 for two or more youngsters from the same family.

There is no mandatory registration fee for participation in the China Lake Little League Baseball program.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM

Tryouts for a Navy women's varsity slow pitch softball team that will represent the Naval Weapons Center in area and regional military competition, as well as in the Mojave Desert Interservice League (MDISL), have been scheduled next Tuesday and Thursday, March 8 and 10.

The tryouts, which will be directed by Harold Parker, team coach, will be held at Reardon Field, starting at 5 p.m. each day.

Civilian women interested in playing on the NWC slow pitch softball team also are invited to participate in the tryouts, since they can join the team when it enters MDISL competition.

Results announced of 8-mile run staged by Over-Hill Track Club

More than 40 distance runners competed on Feb. 19 in the Over-the-Hill Track Club's ninth annual George Washington's birthday 8-mile race.

This event began at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds in Ridgecrest, and runners made two loops around a 4-mile course that was laid out along streets in the vicinity of the fairgrounds.

Medals for posting the fastest times in the various divisions of this event were awarded to the following, whose times are listed along with their names:

Men's fast times — Byron Richardson (46 min., 16 sec.), Billie McNabb (47:06), and Larry Meyer (48:18).

Women's fast times — Mary Kilpatrick (54:04), Diane Lucas (55:28), and Bridget Freyne (55:38).

Men's handicap division: Jay Crawford (61:22 reduced to 58:22 by handicap credit), Bill McBride (66:44 and 53:44), Lee Hudson (67:55 and 61:55).

Husband and wife teams whose combined times earned them first through fourth place medals were Jerry and Mike Mumford (1st), Marla and Bill McBride (2nd), Donell and Lee Hudson (3rd), and Karen and Charles Plemons (4th).

The next OTHC event will be a 3-mile March Madness run on Saturday, March 5, at the East Kern Regional Park in Ridgecrest. Additional details can be obtained by calling Billie McNabb after working hours at 446-5140.

Best-ever hoop season ends for Burroughs girls

The final cheer in what was the finest season yet in the girls' varsity basketball program at Burroughs High echoed through the BHS gym last Saturday night, following a 35-34 loss to the Alta Villa Spartans in round three of the 1983 CIF playoff competition.

The 1-point victory kept the team from Alta Villa (near the City of Orange) in the running for the CIF Class 3-A championship, while the Burroettes packed away their uniforms to wait for next year, when the BHS girls, who posted a record of 23 wins and 3 losses, will be back with everyone except one senior from the 1983 squad.

The Burroughs vs. Alta Villa was a hard-fought defensive struggle, as attested to by the final score.

TOUGH, DEFENSIVE STRUGGLE

Both teams pressed on defense and, as a result, the ball didn't get up the court as fast as otherwise would be the case. This meant fewer shots at the basket and consequently a low-scoring game.

The Burroettes, who like to get into a fast-break situation in the transition from defense to offense were never able to do so. They did, however, get off 41 shots at the hoop from the field, compared to 36 for the Spartans. Normally, 50 shots per game per team is a good average, BHS Coach Jack Clark stated.

In the final analysis, however, the difference between winning and losing rested on the shoulders of Rochelle Cabrara, a 5 ft. 4 in. guard, who hit two clutch free throws in the final 7 sec. of play to give Alta Villa a come-from-behind 35-34 win. Earlier in the second period of play, she had missed two charity tosses and ended up with 2 points in the scoring column for the entire game.

TALLEST PLAYER ON COURT

Alta Villa had the advantage of a 6 ft., 9 1/2 in. player, Constance Waikle, around whom much of the Spartans' offense was built, and she showed an adeptness (due to her height) as a shot blocker inside on defense as well.

The visitors from Alta Villa started off the game by feeding a high, looping pass to Waikle, who demonstrated how easy it could be to drop in a field goal when a player has a 7 1/2 in. height advantage over the opposing team's tallest member.

In spite of that, defense dominated the contest and it was a 10-6 ballgame in favor of Alta Villa at the end of the first quarter of play.

The Burroettes fell behind by as many as 8 points (20-12) in the second period of play, but closed that to 16-20 at the halftime intermission — thanks to two free throws by Kris Kinkennon and a field goal by Leslie Hayes.

The BHS girls cut the Alta Villa lead to 2 points on a field goal by Tammy Anderson



REBOUND UP FOR GRABS — Kris Kinkennon (No. 52), center for the BHS girls' varsity basketball team, has the inside position on 6 ft., 9 1/2 in. Constance Waikle of Villa Park as they both go up for a rebound in last Saturday night's CIF playoff tilt. Others eyeing the ball are Tammy Anderson (No. 22) of Burroughs who is crowding out Sandra Johnson, a forward for the visitors. Villa Park edged the Burroettes 35-34.

that opened the second half of play, and the picture began to brighten for the Ridgecrest team when Andrea Veatch followed up a pair of charity tosses by hitting a field goal that tied the score at 22-22 with just under 2 min. still left to play in the third quarter.

Stock in the Burros' team took another upsurge when Waikle drew her fourth personnel foul and was benched with 11 sec. to go before the start of the final period of play. Kinkennon, who had been fouled by Waikle, hit two charity tosses to cut the Spartans' lead to 26-24 as the third period came to a close.

With Waikle riding the bench, the Burroettes hit three straight field goals (one by Veatch and two by Kinkennon) to move

into the lead 30-26. Jim Irby, Alta Villa coach, called a time out with 5:46 left to play in the game and sent Waikle back onto the court. She preceded to score 7 of her team's 9 remaining points, and was a crucial factor in determining the outcome of the contest.

Veatch helped the BHS girls maintain a 4-point lead by hitting two more field goals in the late going and, at the 2-min. mark the Ridgecrest team was clinging to a precarious advantage of 34-30.

In the next 1 1/2 min., however, Waikle hit a bucket and also connected on one of two free throws to cut the BHS lead to 34-33.

What turned out to be a crucial miscue by the Burroettes — an inbound pass that went

battered Butler Vending 66-24, and the Poochies outscored the NWC Bombers 40-30.

Butler Vending fell behind 35 to 8 in the first half of its game against Pearson/Loewen's, and lost by a final margin of 42 points. Pat Warden, of Pearson/Loewen's, was the game's top scorer with 13, while Chuck Rouland hit 10 for Butler Vending.

The Poochies climaxed their season's play with a 10-point win (40-30) over the NWC Bombers. Scoring honors were shared by Scott Smith of the Poochies and Jim French of the Bombers, who tallied 10 points each.

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Additional information can be obtained by calling Rick Booth at NWC ext. 7233.

There is a fee of \$35 for one player or \$52

for two players from the same family that is payable at the time of registration. Plans call for organizing a 5-team league.

The Pony League baseball season will begin on April 16 and continue through the end of June. Games will be played on weekday evenings at the baseball diamond located across the street from the China Lake tennis courts.

The Skipper sez



All China Lakers, including military personnel, civilian employees, and their dependents are invited to submit questions to this column. Such queries must be in good taste and pertain to matters of interest to a large segment of the China Lake community. Answers to these questions are directly from Capt. Lahr. Please call NWC ext. 2727 with your question and state whether you are a military member, civilian employee or dependent. No other identification is necessary. Since only three or four questions can be answered in the Rocketeer each week, anyone who would like to ensure getting an answer to a question may leave name and address for a direct contact, but this is not required otherwise. There is no intent that this column be used to subvert normal, established chain of command channels.

QUESTION

Military dependent retired — As a long time resident of the Indian Wells Valley with both the military and civilian interest, I am shocked at the decision to abandon the China Lake Community Center for office spaces. From what I know, and what I have heard, since this announcement was made public, I am convinced that other locations are at least suitable for offices and could be much easier to find than the replacement of the traditional use of the Center.

Further, that building was designed specifically for social and recreational uses at an obviously greater cost than strictly an office building.

Although some of those functions which bring prestige to China Lake in unity to the community can be relocated in buildings in Ridgecrest, others cannot.

Notably, the WACOM Bazaar which needs precisely the accommodations of the Community Center and should be properly staged on base. I am told, too, that the Cactus Hall is irreplaceable for many trade shows that take place there all the time, where vendors come to demonstrate the latest in computer products — an interface that is vital to NWC mission.

Is it too late for comparing the long-term expense of adapting and maintaining the Community Center for office space, (with its high ceilings and glass walls) with the cost up updating existing office sites? Even the construction of a new structure on existing ground that is convenient might be better. If such a study has been made, why was the public not informed? Thank you for your answer.

ANSWER

I'm not sure you'll thank me for my answer after you read it, but here goes. I have received six calls on the Skipper Sez line on this subject as well as lots and lots of personally delivered messages, usually accompanied by a stream of expletives. Of course we knew when the decision was made there would be an emotional outcry and that was certainly the case.

You've made several points but rather than try to respond to each let me just tell our side of the story. According to our space managers, who are, by the way, extremely credible, we needed the building for office space. No ifs, ands, or buts. From that point on the decision was really not difficult to make despite the predictable reaction on the part of some folks.

It's quite simple! The Naval Weapons Center has a mission to perform, and while we are pleased to be able to provide certain amenities to the community such as golf, gymnasium, theater, club, tennis, animal shelter, etc., it is certainly not our obligation to do so. Nonetheless, it remains the policy of this Center to do whatever we can, within reason, to promote a spirit of cooperation and harmony with all the people of the Indian Wells Valley. There are, of course, limits!

Regarding your call, there are two things that I find very troublesome. The first is that you imply that there are no other facilities available for use in place of the Community Center. That's not so, as was so aptly pointed out by an article in the Daily Independent. When I was briefed prior to making the decision to convert the building to office space that factor was discussed.

The second is that you seem to think that decisions concerning the use of Navy buildings on this Center should be a matter for public involvement. That's simply not so. There was a time when the Community Center was appropriate at China Lake. That time has passed. Nevertheless, so long as it did not interfere with our mission, we were happy to continue to provide the building for certain functions. However, I'm sorry to say that is no longer feasible.

QUESTION

Civilian Employee — My concern is of a very general interest, and it has to do with travel and the abuses that they are trying to fight. There is a legitimate need to fight certain abuses in travel with civilian employees; however, it seems that the trend is going beyond that, and that the abuses seem to be more against the employees rather than against the government these days.

I feel that there ought to be some common sense way of enabling federal employees to travel with a reasonable degree of comfort. It is getting very difficult to do that and I'm hearing many comments that are "if this keeps up, I'm just going to refuse to travel anymore." I wish you would look into this and see if there is anything that can be done. Thank you very much.

ANSWER

To start with, I would like to acknowledge that I am aware that most Centerites, and particularly those who are on the road a great deal, consider travel a hardship and certainly not a boon. With that as a starting point, let me say that what we are trying to accomplish locally is to maintain a responsible and economical posture toward travel, while at the same time trying to avoid inconvenience and distress to our travelers.

The vasy majority of our travel claims look just fine. However, there are a few cases, and it only takes a few cases, to put everybody in a bad light, where the claims are blatantly extravagant. For instance: \$19 breakfasts, \$27 lunches, and \$47 dinners. I know how it is possible to run up those of bills, but the question is, is it reasonable?

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TRIO HONORED — Latest recipients of the Commander's Award for Excellence in Mission Support are (l.-r.) Lcdr. Terry Callaghan, Loretta King, and Dan Banks. Lcdr. Callaghan and Mrs. King were singled out for this special recognition for their roles as co-chairmen of the highly successful Combined Federal Campaign fund drive. Banks' significant contributions as a former coordinator of NWC's Handicapped Employment Program earned him this honor. — Photo by PH1 Benita Tetreault

3 China Lakers singled out as Commander's Award recipients

Presentation of the Commander's Award for Excellence in Mission Support to two civilian employees and a Navy officer highlighted the Commander's meeting held Monday afternoon, Feb. 28, in the Management Center of Michelson Laboratory.

The recipients were Loretta King and Lcdr. Terry Callaghan, who served as co-chairmen of last fall's highly successful Combined Federal Campaign, and Dan Banks, a former coordinator of NWC's Handicapped Employment Program.

Mrs. King, assistant Public Affairs Officer, and Lcdr. Callaghan, the NATOPS Officer in the Airfield Operations Division of the NWC Aircraft Department, spearheaded the CFC fund drive.

In spite of inflation and decreased buying power, and the demoralizing effect of an impending reduction-in-force, the highest total ever reached by pledges and donations was raised during the 1982 Combined Fund Campaign. This sum, which included contributions from NWC and its attached activities, as well as the Ridgecrest Post Office and the Bureau of Land Management office in Ridgecrest, totalled \$180,417.

Mrs. King and Lcdr. Callaghan successfully handled a very important task. Given no assets or resources, they were just asked to do a good job, which they did, Capt. Lahr stated as he presented the Commander's Award to the co-leaders of the CFC fund drive.

Banks was singled out to receive the Commander's Award in recognition of the highly commendable way in which he handled the collateral duties of Handicapped Employment Coordinator for NWC from November 1981 until his resignation this past December.

Banks, an electronics mechanic in the Design and Fabrication Branch of the Fuze and Sensors Department, was successful in

coordinating a variety of activities that have resulted in significant improvements in the Handicapped Employment Program here.

According to Eva Bien, head of the Personnel Department, who nominated Banks for the Commander's Award, his efforts resulted in awareness training for approximately 800 military and civilian personnel, most of whom were managers or supervisors, as well as the counseling and subsequent hiring of 29 qualified handicapped employees.

In addition, Banks represented the Center as chairman of the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board Committee for the Handicapped, and was a member of the Abilities Unlimited Job Fair Committee.

He also formed a Handicapped Employment Committee to work on affirmative action for the handicapped at NWC, participated as master of ceremonies for the first handicapped employment luncheon, and was instrumental in the development of the NWC Handicapped Affirmative Action Plan.

Although Banks has resigned as the Center's Handicapped Employment Coordinator, he is continuing his off-the-job work with local, state, and federal handicapped employment programs.

Subject of lobbying is topic at March 10 FEW meeting

Belle Hervey, Federal Women's Program Manager, will be the speaker at the regular meeting of FEW next Thursday, March 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Enlisted Mess (Disco Room).

Ms. Hervey's topic will be "You Can Make a Difference!" The speaker will cover the subject of lobbying, its importance, and some of the things that need to be known about lobbying.

Just 2 days left to make reservations for Bluejacket of Yr. banquet slated March 12

Just two more days remain for those who wish to attend the Bluejacket of the Year banquet on Saturday, March 12, to reserve tickets for this event.

Sunday is the deadline to order tickets for the dinner. The price is \$8.50 per person, and reservations can be made by calling 446-7244, 446-5488, or 375-4272. Make checks payable to the Navy League, and mail them to P.O. Box 1294, Ridgecrest, CA 93555.

Once again the Enlisted Mess will be the setting for this event, which is staged to recognize the top Navy enlisted personnel serving at the Naval Weapons Center and with Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five.

The top Bluejackets are in line for gifts and awards during a dinner and program that is arranged each year by the Indian Wells Valley Council of the Navy League. Last year, more than 250 persons attended

the dinner during which the winners and runners-up received cash awards totalling \$2,300 plus U.S. Savings Bonds having a value of \$400. The gifts were contributed by local organizations, merchants, and individuals.

This year's nominees are AC1 Charles D. Waugh, PR2 Patricia E. Carey, AMS3 Susan E. Risley, and AC2 Theodore A. Reed, all of NWC; and AD1 Kent M. Harris, MA1 Douglas G. Skon, AMS1 Mark H. Higgins, and AD2 Van A. Greenfield, all of VX-5.

The festivities on the evening of March 12 will begin with a social hour at 6:30, followed by a turkey and steamboat round of beef buffet that will be served at 7:30.

The program, featuring announcement of the top Bluejackets by their Commanding Officers, and the presentation of awards to the winners and runners-up will get underway at around 9 p.m.

Federal Executive Board awards program . . .

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one of three non-professional employees to be recognized by the LA FEB for the singularly outstanding caliber of their work.

Keith's duties, all of which he takes pride in performing in meticulous fashion, range from painting buildings and office spaces, to motorized equipment including airplanes and even weather balloons. In addition, his expertise frequently is tapped when there is a need to paint such items of ordnance as bombs, rockets, missiles, and targets.

His area of painting skill is in the use of urethane paint, special purpose metallic paints, and two-components painted used in spray painting operations. He is consulted frequently by other departments or divisions on the Center regarding special spray painting techniques and requirements for electronic gear and radar, targets, tanks, and other special project equipment.

Keith trains others in the proper techniques for using urethane paint and special component paints. He is recognized locally as an employee who devotes himself totally to a project — typically staying late at night or coming in early in the morning to accommodate projects that often have extremely short deadlines for accomplishment.

Haaland was honored as a nominee for the "Outstanding Supervisor Award" in recognition not only of his own rapid rise in the supervisory ranks and the effectiveness of his division (the RF Division in Code 39), but the respect he is accorded by his co-workers, his colleagues and top management at NWC.

The honoree joined the workforce at NWC in 1968 as an electronics engineer and progressed steadily to positions of greater responsibility. He was promoted to his first supervisory position in 1971, when he was appointed to a technical task leader for designing, developing and testing an electro-optic seeker.

His Civil Service career includes 1½ years

There's toll-free no. for complaints on Commissary, NEX

The Navy Resale and Services Support Office (NAVRESSO), headquarters for Navy Exchanges and Commissary Stores, has set up a toll-free telephone comment/complaint line to serve its customers better.

The number, commercial (800) 221-6155, is available in all states, except New York. It may also be used from Puerto Rico. New York customers may contact NAVRESSO at commercial (212) 390-3869, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Personnel overseas should use pre-addressed customer comment/complaint cards that are available at all Navy Exchange and Commissary Stores. The line records customer comments, complaints, suggestions or other items and is available 24 hours a day. Specialists at NAVRESSO's Customer Relations Center will respond to each call and if customers leave their name and address, they will receive a personal reply.

Navy Resale System Customer Relations officials stress that customers should go to local store managers to attempt to resolve problems before using the new phone system. Capt. Carl Vogel, NAVRESSO Vice Commander, explained that "in many instances, the manager at the Exchange or Commissary Store can take faster action than NAVRESSO to address customers' concerns. NAVRESSO will take action if the problem cannot be resolved at the store level."

Police reports . . .

A Knudsen Dairy truck that had stopped at the Hall Memorial Lanes bowling alley to make a delivery was involved in a traffic accident there on Thursday morning of last week.

The truck was backing up to leave, and accidentally knocked over a fire hydrant. No estimate of the damage was available.



PROGRAM OFFICIALS — A welcome to the more than 200 persons who attended the Los Angeles FEB's Distinguished Public Service Awards program is extended by William K. Anderson (at microphone). He is flanked by Joan Leslie, former motion picture and TV actress, who presented the awards, and Army Lt. Col. Joseph Mancuso, master of ceremonies.

(January 1975 to July 1976) assigned to an office of the Naval Air Systems Command in Washington, D.C., and he later developed a 5-year plan for missile guidance and weapons control technology for NAVAIRSYSCOM that is still in effect.

In addition, he has prepared briefs for Congress, authored the "Precision Guided Munitions Handbook" to help non-technical professionals in the military and Congress to understand the basic of guided missiles, and is currently writing the technology chapter for a NATO report on multi-spectral seekers. He also has done numerous studies and analyses for specific major missile programs.

As a supervisor, Haaland is recognized for his exceptional gift of analyzing organizational structure and identifying what is most effective for work accomplishment and resource management. Additionally, he is highly skilled in delegating authority, and has a high degree of ability to communicate with his subordinates.

The nomination of Haaland for the LA FEB "supervisor" award also makes note of the fact that he made a substantial contribution to the success of the CSRA Demonstration Project at NWC. Although the project itself requires a greater expenditure of a supervisor's time, Haaland put in many additional hours conducting training sessions in order to ensure that his employees would have a complete understanding of the project.

In accepting the citation as a nominee for the LA FEB Chairman's Special Award, Lcdr. Lancaster did so on behalf of 14 other military officers and enlisted personnel who, during calendar year 1982, were participants on the Navy helicopter search and rescue (SAR) crew missions.

Named in the citation, in addition to Lcdr. Lancaster, were: Lt. Col. Scott Smith, USMC, Lcdr. Byron Dieckman and Lt. Denny Wilcox, pilots; AD1 Skip Colson, AO2 John Schatz, AMS3 Mike Clenny,

Managing software configuration topic at next SOLE meeting

Guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Eastern Sierra Chapter of the Society for Logistics Engineers (SOLE), which is to be held on Thursday, March 17, is Jim Dorrell. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Dorrell, who is employed in the Missile Software Branch of the Weapons Department, will discuss Software Configuration Management in relation to logistics.

SOLE is an international non-profit professional society of individuals dedicated to the advancement of the art and science of logistics technology and management.

The meeting, which will begin at 6 p.m., will be held at the Commissioned Officers' Mess. Menu choices are prime rib of beef, at a cost of \$10.75 per person, or southern fried chicken, at \$7.75.

Either tickets or further information may be obtained by telephoning Linda Whitham, NWC ext. 3441, Anniece Isler, NWC ext. 5396; or Peter Potter, NWC ext. 3441.

Enrollment open in Pre-retirement Planning Seminar

Enrollments are now being accepted for a Pre-retirement Planning Seminar that will begin on Thursday, April 14, and continue on Thursdays through May 19.

Most of the segments, except for an all-day workshop (April 28 or 29) entitled "Planning for a Successful Retirement," will be 1½ to 2 hours in duration. The total amount of time required for the seven-week seminar is 16 hours.

The seminar is intended for Naval Weapons Center civilian employees who are planning to retire within the next five years. Spouses of enrollees are also encouraged to attend.

The course is designed to provide a wide range of information on such subjects as tax regulations, the Civil Service Retirement System, Social Security and Medicare, legal matters, health maintenance, and a special workshop designed around enrollee participation in planning for various aspects of retirement.

Employees interested in attending this seminar should submit a training request and authorization form via appropriate department channels in time for it to reach Code 094 by April 4. The seminar will be limited to 50 employees.

Those interested in the Pre-Retirement Planning Seminar also are asked to indicate the approximate date of retirement on their training request.

Further information can be obtained by calling Eileen Baird at NWC ext. 2018 or 2592.

Entries sought in contest to select MRASM logo

Entries are now being accepted in a contest to select a logo for the Medium Range Air-to-Surface Missile (MRASM).

Creative ideas for the logo are being sought by the Joint Cruise Missiles Project Office in Washington, D.C.

Drawings or nicknames for MRASM should be sent to Jack Thornberry, Code 3907, prior to the local deadline of March 31. Contest entries will be screened here before being forwarded to Washington.



OPENING CEREMONY — An Army color guard from Fort Ord, whose members were in dress uniforms dating back to Colonial days, added a special touch of solemnity to the opening and closing of the FEB Distinguished Public Service Awards program.

— Photo by Sgt. Paul Hayashi, USAF

Military retirees in Civil Service face pay reduction

Military retirees in federal Civil Service jobs will have their pay reduced by the same amount their retired military pay is increased by cost-of-living adjustments in fiscal years 1983, 1984 and 1985.

The reductions are the result of changes in Civil Service retirement programs enacted by Public Laws 97-248 and 97-253. Employees whose retired pay is based on wartime, service-connected disabilities will not be affected.

Credit for military service has also been changed. Military service previously was credited to Civil Service annuity. The annuity subsequently was recomputed at age 62 to exclude military service after 1956 (for those eligible for Social Security). Now those hired before Oct. 1, 1982, will choose between continuing under that system or depositing an amount equal to seven percent of basic military pay received after 1956, preventing reduction of Civil Service annuity.

People with military service hired after Oct. 1, 1982, will receive Civil Service retirement credit for post-1956 service only if they make the seven percent deposit to the annuity system.

After Oct. 1, 1982, retirement pay of current retirees with previous military service will be reduced by a fraction of their Social Security benefit at age 62.

Regulations, pay tables and instructions are expected soon from the Office of Personnel Management.

Course in Dynamics of Communication to start on April 6

Enrollment is open in a course entitled Dynamics of the Communication Process.

This course, which will be taught by Madelyn Burley-Allen of Dynamics of Human Behavior, is scheduled on April 6 and 7 at the Training Center from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Students will learn about key factors that affect the communication process, including values of the speaker, nonverbal communication (facial expression, tone of voice, body language), and context vs. content of the message.

Students will also learn tools to identify the difference between effective and ineffective ways of obtaining information, barriers to communication, types of verbal control employed, and proper responses to criticism.

Those interested in taking this course should submit a training request and authorization form via department channels so that it will reach Code 094 by March 22.

National Women's History Week set March 6-12

Are you making history at NWC? That's the theme of the Naval Weapons Center's salute to women during National Women's History Week, set for March 6-12.

There will be a display of books showing the many accomplishments of women at the Center Library. In addition, a 12-minute videotape prepared by TID of the Federal Women's Program Awards Banquet 1980, as well as a 15-minute film "Women's Place" and a 1-hour film "Rosie the Riveter" are available for loan to any department.

Belle Hervey, Federal Women's Program Manager, phone NWC ext. 2738, should be called to make arrangements for borrowing any of the films.

A photo display of 16 women representing the outstanding women who are making history at NWC by their contributions, self-improvement, and career advancement also will be part of the activities planned by the FWP committee.

The history-making women in the photo display are: Mitzi Fortune of the Engineering Department, Peggy Robison of the Electronic Warfare Department, Dr. Jean Bennett of the Research Department, Mary Hinojosa of the Safety and Security Department, Dr. Miriam Cartwright of the Weapons Planning Department, Carroll



MILITARY PERSONNEL HONORED — Recipients of a Special Act Group Award presented on Feb. 24 at Hangar 3 are ten Air Traffic Control Center personnel. They are (l.-r.) AC3 Agatha Rogers, AC3 Gregory Crewse, AC2 Lia Earle, AC2 James Robert Reed, AC1 Dorothy Kensil, AC1 Russell Young, AC1 Michael Williams, AC1 Lamar Key, AC1 Mark Rogers, and AC1 Charles Waugh. At the far right are AE1 James Osier and Lt. John Holcum, who each received Special Achievement Awards. The presentations were made by Capt. Lahr during a morning quarters ceremony. Monetary gifts accompanied the awards. — Photo by Don Cornelius

Special awards presented to airfield personnel

Hangar 3 at Armitage Airfield was the setting on Thursday, Feb. 24, for a morning quarters ceremony during which one Navy officer and 11 enlisted personnel received Special Achievement Awards and Special Act Awards that were presented by Capt. Lahr.

The honorees were Lt. John Holcum, AE1 James Osier, both of whom received Special Achievement Awards, and the following Air Traffic Controlmen, who received Special Act Awards: AC1 Charles Waugh, AC1 Mark Rogers, AC1 Lamar Key, AC1 Michael Williams, AC1 Russell Young, AC1 Dorothy Kensil, AC2 Robert Reed, AC2 Lia Earle, AC3 Gregory Crewse, and AC3 Agatha Rogers.

Lt. Holcum, the maintenance/material control officer for all aircraft assigned to the Naval Weapons Center, was singled out to receive a Special Achievement Award which recognizes the fact that (during the period of Aug. 1, 1982 to Nov. 30, 1982) NWC enjoyed the highest percentage of aircraft availability since the former Naval Air Facility became what is now the Aircraft Department.

NWC's inventory of aircraft includes 20 different models and a total of 41 planes, and Lt. Holcum has supervision of more than 225 personnel, whose work areas are spread over all parts of the airfield.

The citation that accompanied the Special Achievement Award presented to AE1 Osier noted that his "unique ability to identify and

update the Aircraft Department's transportation account so as to be more realistic with mission support requirements led to a reduction of needed equipment and resulted in a savings of \$20,000 both for Code 61 and NWC."

Aviation Electrician's Mate 1st Class Osier, the NWC Aircraft Department's transportation representative, is responsible for more than 250 line items of equipment.

His efforts in locating, cataloging and providing required information to the Public Works Department in an accurate and timely manner led to a more satisfactory maintenance schedule for this equipment, it also was noted in the Special Achievement Award received by AE1 Osier.

The 10 personnel of the Air Traffic Control Center who earned special Act Awards were commended for the exceptional manner in which they contributed to Exercise Gallant Eagle, Naval Weapons Fighter Squadron Training School, and "top gun" missions during major coordinated "Alpha strikes" within the confines of the Restricted Airspace R-2508 complex and associated bombing ranges at NWC.

In the citation received by each of the Air Traffic Controlmen, it was brought out that their efforts as a control team provided for the safe, orderly and expeditious flow of air traffic without incident during the aforementioned missions.

"Their quick thinking and technical

ability allowed each aircraft to be properly sequenced and land in a timely manner." "Such expertise," it was added in the citation, "precluded incidents which could have ended in a catastrophe for both aircraft and aircrews."

The air traffic control team carried out its major responsibilities under adverse weather conditions, and members often were required to put in numerous hours of overtime — frequently working 12 hours per day.

The air traffic controllers carried out their duties in a superior manner in spite of the reduction in manning from 26 to 20 personnel, and a significant increase in aircraft operations during the period from March 1982 to January 1983.

Applications for 2-yr. scholarship in NROTC being taken

Applications for two year Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (NROTC) scholarships are now being accepted.

These scholarships provide qualified individuals the opportunity to complete studies for their college degrees and obtain a commission. Applications for this program will be accepted through April 1, 1983.

Two year NROTC scholarships pay tuition, books, lab fees and provide \$100 a month for the junior and senior years of college. Individuals who have completed two years of college and one year of college calculus may be eligible.

For additional information, contact a Navy career counselor.

Computer demonstration set Saturday at library

A demonstration of the Apple computer will be presented tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Ridgecrest Branch of the Kern County Library. The library is located on East Las Flores Street, opposite the East Kern Regional Park.

This will be a non-commercial demonstration, and will include displays of programs for word processing, graphics, and games, as well as business, home and educational uses of the Apple computer.

This event is open to the public free of charge.

Tektronix show slated

A show featuring the latest in digital, analog, graphic, and communication systems manufactured by Tektronix of Beaverton, Ore., will be presented in the Officers Mess, on Thursday, March 10.

Hours of the show, which is open to all interested persons, are from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Women's History Week relates back to March 8, 1857, when women from the gar-

ment and textile industry in New York staged a demonstration protesting low wages, the 12-hour workday, and increasing workloads, and calling for improved working conditions and equal pay for all working women.

Police dispersed the march and arrested some of the women. Three years later these women formed their own union and again called for these demands to be met. On March 8, 1908, thousands of women from the needles-trade industry demonstrated for the same demands, plus some new ones: legislation against child labor and for the right of women to vote.

In 1910, Clara Zetkin (the German labor leader) proposed that March 8 be proclaimed Women's Day in memory of those early struggles. It wasn't until the late 1960s and early 70s that the day began to be celebrated in the United States by some groups.

In 1978 a group of women in California initiated the first National Women's History Week, and in 1982, the week was first proclaimed nationally by a joint Congressional resolution proposing that such a week be held inclusive of March 8, International Women's Day.