



**PRACTICAL APPROACH** — Rather than using shovels, Dr. Gil Plain, one of the Maturango Museum's founders, and Bob ("Corny") Cornelius hitched up two of the miniature mules Cornelius raises to a plow to break the first ground at Kern Regional Park in Ridgecrest, where the new museum building will be constructed. After a campaign of several years, museum members have raised enough money to begin their new building. When completed, the museum

and its collection will move from its present site on the Naval Weapons Center where it has been housed since its inception in the early 1960s. Attending the ceremony were local dignitaries including Paul Coulter, Maturango Museum board president; Gene Tackett, Kern County Supervisor for this district; Anna Marie Bergens, Ridgecrest City Councilwoman; and Dr. Patricia Brown-Berry, museum director. — Photo by PH1 Benita Tetreault

## Many events slated at High Desert Escapades

It's full steam ahead with preparations for the sixth annual High Desert Escapades program, which is planned on the weekend of April 23-24 at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds in Ridgecrest.

The widely varied schedule of events for this two-day fete ranges from pancake breakfasts in the early morning and a steak barbecue on Saturday evening, to tours to local points of interest as well as flower shows, a horse show, a marathon run, and star gazing at night.

Kicking off the High Desert Escapades, a celebration sponsored by the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce, pancake breakfasts will be served starting at 7 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday at the fairgrounds by the Ridgecrest Kiwanis Club.

Activities on Saturday also include a guided tour to the tortoise preserve located near California City (starting at 8 a.m.), a tour for 4-wheel drive vehicles to the El

Paso Mountains (starting at 8:30 a.m.), and at 10 a.m. another tour group will leave to visit the Pinnacles and the Kerr-McGee plant in Trona.

Distance runners are invited to compete in a marathon run, sponsored by the Over-the-Hill Track Club and the Ridgecrest CoFC. This event will start and end at the fairgrounds. It is scheduled to get underway at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 23.

The exhibit hall at the fairgrounds will be the setting for a standard flower show that will be open to the public at 1 p.m. on Saturday and re-open at 10 a.m. on Sunday.

Theme of the standard flower show, which is co-sponsored by the Desert Planters of Ridgecrest, the Oasis Garden Club of Indian Wells Valley, and the High Desert Woman's Club, is "High Desert Oasis."

Along with horticultural and artistic design exhibits, the schedule for the Standard Flower Show includes a display of native plants for high desert gardens, and there will be other sections of the show devoted to dried arrangements.

For those who enjoy wildflowers, there will be exhibits of desert wildflowers and blooming shrubs at the Maturango Museum on Saturday afternoon and from 1 to 4 p.m.

## Volunteers sought to help 'Shelter Network' project

The High Desert Woman's Center, located in Ridgecrest, has started a project called "Shelter Network."

The purpose of this project is to provide support and assistance to families in the Indian Wells Valley that are caught up in domestic violence. The Shelter Network will provide a 24-hour "helpline" and a variety of emergency assistance.

The network consists of men and women from all walks of life who want to assist women and children who are temporarily in need of help. More volunteers are needed, however, to ensure the success of the project.

There is a place in the Shelter Network for those willing to commit a few hours a month in service to others. The aim of the network is to create a better community in which to live by making the lives of those who are assisted a little richer and more meaningful.

A basic training session for Shelter Network volunteers has been scheduled on the weekend of May 14-15. Those interested in attending are asked to call 375-7525, as are others who, although they may not have the time, are willing to offer money, materials, or ideas for the benefit of this program.

## Museum schedules annual wildflower show next weekend

As a part of the community-wide High Desert Escapade celebration on April 23 and 24, the Maturango Museum will present its sixth annual wildflower show in the exhibit gallery of the museum.

Visitors will be welcome at the wildflower show on Saturday, April 23, from 1 to 5 p.m., and on Sunday, April 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to well-arranged displays of colorful wildflowers and blossoming shrubs, there will be a section in the exhibit in which each of the plants or shrubs will be identified in order to familiarize viewers with the many varieties that can be found in the local area.

During the hours that the wildflower show is open to the public, the museum gift shop will offer for sale books on wildflowers, as well as cards and prints decorated with replicas of these colorful blooms.

In preparation for the wildflower show, volunteers, directed by Carol Panlaqui, curator of the museum, will head out into the canyons and valleys of the local area to locate and pick plant specimens on Wednesday and Thursday, April 20 and 21.

This will be followed by bringing the flowers and blooming shrubs back to the museum, where they will be separated according to family and identified. The final task will be arrange the different varieties of wildflowers in time for the start of the show on the afternoon of April 23.

## Photography exhibit on display at local museum

"Earth Images" is the theme of an exhibit at the Maturango Museum's Sylvia Winslow Exhibit Gallery that runs from today through May 30.

Ernest Braun, one of America's most accomplished environmental photographers, will be honored at a reception this evening from 7 to 9 o'clock at the museum.

A professional photographer since 1938, Braun has specialized in the dramatic and the unusual. His brilliant photographs have appeared in such magazines as Life, Look, Fortune, Sunset, Better Homes and Gardens, Popular Photography, and other leading national publications.

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AC1 Russell Mark Young

## Bluejacket of Quarter honor goes to Young

Air Traffic Controller First Class Russell Mark Young has been selected as the Naval Weapons Center Bluejacket of the Quarter for the first three months of 1983.

The letter of nomination written by ACC Harold J. Tavaré notes that Petty Officer Young consistently performs at the Chief Petty Officer level by managing, directing and supervising nine Air Traffic Controllers daily as the Control Tower Supervisor.

The letter continues, "Petty Officer Young's determination, eagerness, flexibility and consistently outstanding performance place him head and shoulders above his contemporaries." It also notes that he is in first place for his age group in the Physical Fitness Test conducted at NWC.

In addition to his primary duties, Petty Officer Young also serves as Divisional Career Counselor and is a member of the Professional Evaluation Board for Air Traffic Control.

Petty Officer Young proudly states that he is a career Navy man, coming up on 12 years in the Navy this fall, although his service was broken by a period of nine years following service in Vietnam.

During that time he went back to his native state of Kentucky, where he worked in construction and then for the Firestone Company. The travel opportunities offered

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## Salute from high desert communities

# Sailor at Barstow honored as Military Person of Year

Announcement of the winner of the Military Person of the Year award and a talk by Dr. Lawrence J. Korb highlighted a banquet last Saturday night that was arranged by the High Desert Civilian Military Affairs Council (CMAC).

Dr. Korb, who is the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Personnel, and Logistics), emphasized the need for rebuilding the nation's defense program.

He saw in the capacity crowd that filled the banquet room of the Holiday Inn at Victorville evidence that "American people support their people in uniform" Dr. Korb said.

In CMAC's tribute to the "best of the best" among military personnel serving at military establishments in the high desert, top honors from the field of five candidates went to Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Stephen Stewart, who is assigned to duty at the Naval Regional Medical Center Branch Clinic, Marine Corps Logistics Base, Barstow.

For his selection as Military Person of the Year, HM2 Stewart received gifts totalling more than \$2,500, including cash and a one week vacation in Hawaii.

Other nominees and the military bases they represented were Yeoman 3rd Class Lynda C. West, Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5), China Lake; Specialist 4 Rupert C. Dennis, Track Commander, Combat Support Company 1-



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## NWC receives award for improvements to Handicapped Employment Program

The high degree of success achieved by the Naval Weapons Center during 1982 in its efforts to upgrade the Handicapped Employment Program was recognized recently by the Director of Navy Laboratories.

This recognition took the form a plaque presentation to Capt. Lahr during a conference of NAVMAT Commanding Officers and Technical Directors that was held at the Naval Underwater Systems Center in Newport, R.I.

Engraved on the plaque that was presented to Capt. Lahr by Robert M. Hillyer, Director of Naval Laboratories (and former Technical Director at NWC) was the inscription: "For exceptional improvement and innovations in the development and success of programs for the employment of handicapped persons, including disabled veterans."

The NWC Handicapped Employment committee was formed in 1982 with the collateral duties of Handicapped Employment Coordinator being handled until last December on a part-time basis by Dan Banks, an electronics mechanic in the Design and Fabrication Branch of the Fuze and Sensors Department.

With the strong backing of Capt. Lahr, who is supportive of all aspects of the Equal Employment Opportunity Program, and especially the Handicapped Employment Program, the committee arranged for awareness training sessions concerning employment of the handicapped that were attended by 275 managers and supervisors, as well as another 650 civilian employees and 80 military personnel.

NWC also sponsored the attendance by Banks at meetings of the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board Committee for the Handicapped, a group that he headed as chairman.

Installing ramps or taking other



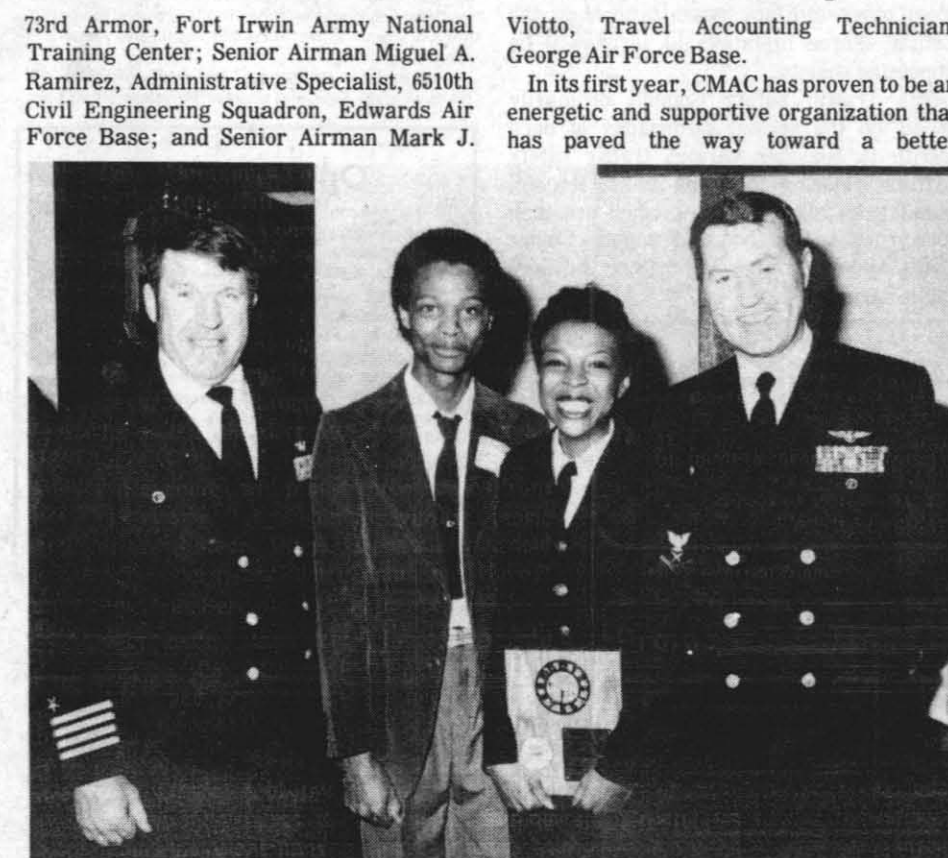
**SINGULAR HONOR FOR NWC** — Capt. Lahr accepts the Director of Navy Laboratories' award for improvement in the Handicapped Employment Program from Robert M. Hillyer, DNL and former NWC Technical Director. NWC has the distinction of having topped all other NAVMAT activities in the Handicapped Employment Program area during 1982.

measures to make ten of the Center's major high utilization buildings more accessible to the handicapped was another step taken as part of the Handicapped Employment Program, and 29 of those placed in jobs at NWC during 1982 claimed some form of handicap.

Special devices also were provided, as needed, for handicapped employees. These include a strobe light that flashes to signal a deaf employee when there is a fire alarm in

his work area, and Braille equipment that can be used by a blind employee who operates a computer.

In addition, three contracts were awarded to Sunshine House, an activity center for the handicapped. These agreements call for Sunshine House clients to handle such tasks as area cleanup and landscaping, washing government vehicles, and the color coding of tablet menus used at computer-aided engineering work stations.



**AMONG THE BEST** — YN3 Lynda C. West has reason to be pleased and proud as she holds the plaque she received as China Lake's representative in the Military Person of the Year award competition. YN3 West is shown with her husband, Alvin, as well as Capt. Paul F. Hollandsworth (at left), Commanding Officer of VX-5, and Capt. Lahr.

relationship and understanding between the military and civilian community.

CMAC is composed of civilian and military members representing the five military bases and the 19 communities in the high desert area. The first annual Military Person of the Year represents over 34,000 military personnel and civilian employees who are stationed at these bases.

In recognition of their high level of achievement, each candidate was presented with a check for \$550 along with a decorative plaque adorned with a clock.

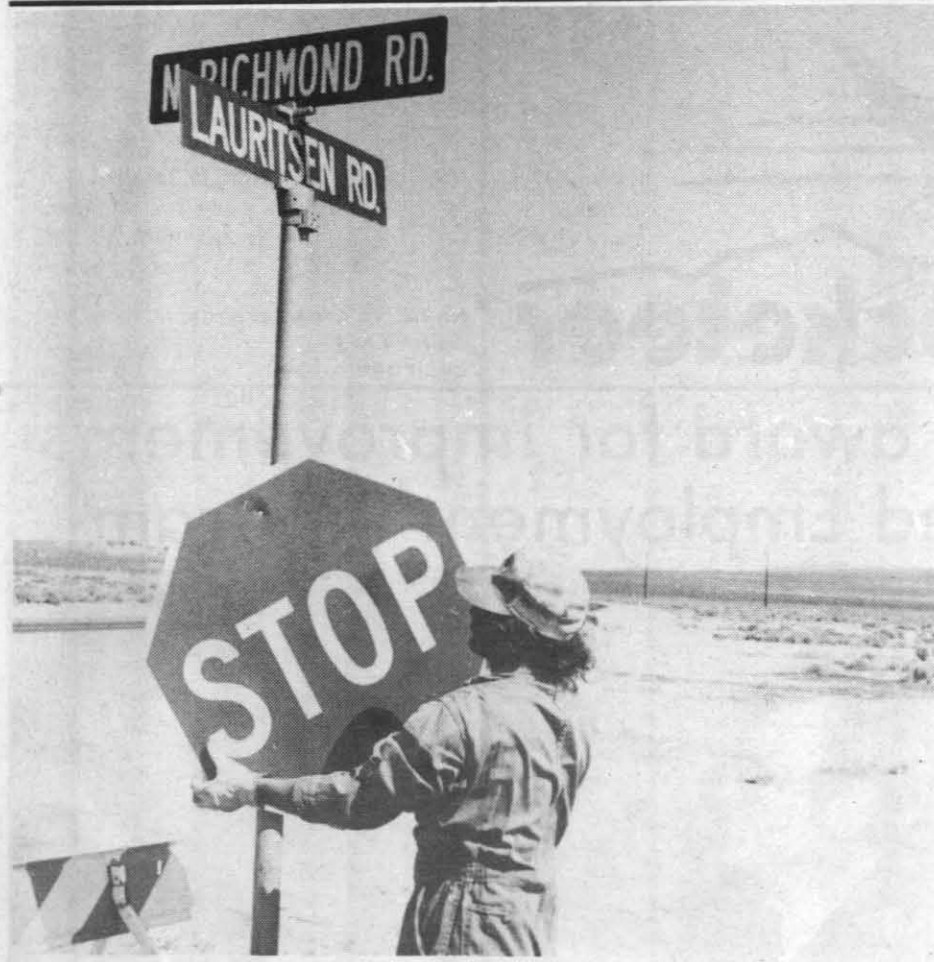
The program at the banquet began with a welcome that was extended by Barbara Little, CMAC president, who also is vice mayor of the City of Lancaster, and there was an opening flag ceremony featuring replicas of five early American flags and a commentary on the historical background behind each of the flags that was presented by an honor guard from George Air Force Base.

Formal introduction of each of the candidates was made by Del Ulrick, co-chairman of the banquet.

Prior to the announcement of the winner of the Military Person of the Year honor, the legendary singing cowboy Roy Rogers presented Dr. Korb with an honorary membership in the Armed Forces Benefit and Aid Association, on behalf of the Roy Rogers Chapter, George AFB.

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COMING DOWN — Leroy Mitchell from the Public Works Labor Shop removes the stop sign from the Richmond Road side of the intersection of Richmond Road and Lauritsen Road near the south gate to the Center. As of last Friday, north and south bound traffic on Richmond no longer needs to stop at the intersection, since it has become a two-way stop only for cars traveling east and west on Lauritsen. — Photo by PHAN Greg Hogan

## Cinco de Mayo lunch speaker is expert on affirmative action

Santiago Rodriguez, University Affirmative Action Officer for Stanford University, will present an outstanding workshop entitled "Beyond Compliance: Managing a Diverse Workforce" on the morning of Thursday, May 5, before speaking at the annual Cinco de Mayo luncheon held that day under the sponsorship of the Hispanic Employment Program Committee.

He will discuss the differences between equal employment opportunity and affirmative action, and reconciling the rights of individuals versus the rights of groups. During the workshop he will also consider the validity of job standards and whether equal treatment is desirable or factual as opposed to equitable treatment.

## Suggestions on vehicle flow, other matters now being sought by Traffic Safety Council

Anyone who has any suggestions about traffic safety, traffic flow or the location of stop signs still has a few days to get in touch with members of the Center's Traffic Safety Council before the group's next meeting on Wednesday, April 20, at 9:30 a.m.

Members of the council include LCdr. Mike Kelly, chairman; YNC Charles Hall from the Military Administration Department; Bill Prasolowicz, Safety and Security Department; Rodney Kanagawa, Public Works Department; OCS Jeffrey C.

Hathorn, Range Department; Benjamin Pedrosa, Jr., PSD; and representatives from other military organizations on the Center. Three members at large will be appointed shortly.

The Traffic Safety Council ordinarily meets on the second Wednesday of each month to consider various traffic safety matters relating to China Lake. Recommendations made by the council are then forwarded to the Naval Weapons Center Commander for approval before they are implemented.

## Promotional opportunities

Applications (Standard Form 171) should be put in the drop box at the Reception Desk of the Personnel Dept., 505 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. Advertisement 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. 3615, Machined Parts Inspector, WG-3414-8, J.D. 870N Code 3643** — Position is located in the Quality Control Branch, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent performs inspection on a wide variety of interconnecting parts, components, sub-assemblies, assemblies, and assemblies to rigid specifications and close tolerances to determine compliance of the physical characteristics to product requirements. Uses standard measuring instruments such as micrometers, vernier, calipers, indicators, and depth micrometers. Job relevant criteria: Ability to read and to apply a variety of established inspection processes and techniques; ability to read an interpret drawings and specifications; working knowledge of manufacturing practices and techniques and of machine tools; skill in the use of standard measuring instruments; ability to do practical, precise and accurate technical practices; knowledge of characteristics of various kinds of non-metals and metals and their alloys. Supplemental is required along with updated SF-171 and may be picked up at the receptionist desk, Rm. 100, of the Personnel Bldg. Promotion potential to WG-11.

**Announcement No. 24-066, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, PD No. 802404N, Code 243** — This position is secretary to the Head of the Information and Internal Security Division, Safety & Security Department. Incumbent will provide full range of secretarial and clerical operations necessary for the smooth administrative operation of the division. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 and may be picked up at the Personnel Department, Room 100.

**Announcement No. 35-132, Multidisciplinary General/Electronic/Mechanical/Aerospace Engineer, Physicist, DP-801/830/861/802-3, PAC No. 8335334, Code 35503** — This position is located in the Plans and Requirements Office, Code 35503, EWTE Division, Electronic Warfare Department. The work schedule is flexible (Monday-Thursday, 0630-1630) and the location is the Electronic Warfare Threat Environment Simulation (EWTES) facility in the Randsburg Wash Test Area. Bus transportation is available to and from the work site. The incumbent serves as the NWC focal point for Project W6062, Electronic Warfare Threat Simulation Development, supported by the Naval Air Station Command and its responsibility is the overall direction, technical management, planning, and coordination of the 57-10M/yr R&D effort. The incumbent is responsible for establishing the long and short term technical direction and approach, planning and scheduling work across broad organizational lines, and for monitoring and reporting status and progress to the sponsor. He also generates work proposals and solicits support for special programs. Job Relevant Criteria: Minimum requirements of this position include a bachelor's degree in an appropriate technical field or equivalent experience and training, five years experience in the planning/coordination/execution of a major technical program is desired. The incumbent must have demonstrated full competence in the ability to handle problems or assignments of marked difficulty and to find a suitable approach and solution. He must be able to lead, direct, and coordinate technical and administrative management personnel. Note: This is a re-advertisement of announcement 35-129. Previous applicants need not reapply.

**Announcement No. GY-886, Permanent Assistant, PS-189-06, \$4.92 per hour, plus benefits, Permanent, Full-time** — This position is located in the Personnel Department, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office. The incumbent is responsible for providing clerical support to the Head, EEO Office and counselors. Maintains calendars; files; reviews and directs incoming and outgoing mail; prepares routine correspondence; schedules meetings, conferences and interviews; arranges travel; screens calls; organizes workload of clerical staff; and trains new clerical employees. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist duties; ability to review, control, screen and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangement; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Statement required along with SF-171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Building, Rm. 113, from Kay Turcotte.

## 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 date stated 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. C-44-02, Electronics Engineer, DP-855-2, PAC No. 8364518E, Code 64242** — This position is located in the Engineering Support Section, Telemetry Systems Branch, Telemetry/Test Engineering Division of the Aeronautics 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 advise the standard and special calibration procedures required to assure the accuracy and validity of recorded data. To apply for the position, contact Larry Harlan, phone NWC ext. 2621.

**Code 22, Athletic Division.** This is not a civil service position. Incumbent serves as the gymnasium manager and handles the daily operations of the gymnasium, athletic facilities and camping issue program. Supervises and schedules work to be done by part-time employees. Maintains inventory of equipment and supplies. **Qualification:** (a) familiarity with office procedures and inventory control, (b) knowledge of or experience with athletic/recreation programs, (c) knowledge of equipment required for camping, boating and organized sports events, and (d) understanding of the working people relationships required by public service agencies. Apply for non-civil service positions with Linda Long, NWC ext. 3118.

**Announcement No. 32-066, Industrial Equipment Mechanic Foreman, WS-3332-9, JD 455-34E, Code 32533** — This is a temporary promotion not to exceed one year. May become permanent at a later date. This position is located in the Process Support Branch, Process Systems Divisions, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent is responsible for the supervision and direction of a group of employees engaged in installation, modification, repair, and maintenance of various types of process control machinery, and related equipment in support of research, development and test programs in the China Lake and Salt Wells Laboratories for the Ordnance Systems Department. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise technical practices, and ability to interpret instructions, specifications, etc. Knowledge of materials, knowledge of pertinent tools and equipment. Interest in and potential to manage people problems (EEO). To apply, the SF-171 and Supplemental Wage Grade Information sheet to be received not later than April 22, 1983. Supplemental form may be picked up in the Personnel Building, 505 Blandy Ave., Rm. 100.

**Announcement No. 12-002, Computer Systems Analyst, DP-334-3, PAC No. 8312507E11, Code 1203** — This position is located in the Weapons Planning Group, WEPTAC Section, an interactive, multidisciplinary analysis facility which provides naval officers and weapon systems analysts to interact in the evaluation of advanced system concepts in a realistic combat decision-making environment. The incumbent will become familiar with the hardware and software requirements for the section. Responsibilities will include an understanding of hardware, software contracting which includes determining the need for contracts, review and approval requirements, statements, etc., and interface with the Supply Department to implement the contracts. Must evaluate the adequacy of proposals with respect to time, cost, and final product. Will provide technical contract monitoring. Will identify needs for future capability based on Center and Navy plans, future threat systems and umpire and operator experience. The incumbent analyzes technical computer systems requests and performs feasibility studies including recommendations for appropriate data acquisition, processing, storage, hardware and software systems, and cost-benefit implications. Presents documented study findings, alternative solutions, and recommendations for acceptance, depending on the size and formality of the system. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Wide range of knowledge of computer requirements and techniques in Computer System Analysis work; knowledge of how analyst work is carried out in other organizations; skill in the analysis of a number of alternative approaches in the process of advising management of major aspects of ADP system design; and knowledge of contracting and procurement for ADP systems.

**Announcement No. 09-094, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4, PD No. 801-000, Code 0908** — This is an intermittent (WAE) position. This position is located in the Personnel Department, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Office. The incumbent is responsible for providing clerical support to the Head, EEO Office and counselors. Maintains calendars; files; reviews and directs incoming and outgoing mail; prepares routine correspondence; schedules meetings, conferences and interviews; arranges travel; screens calls; organizes workload of clerical staff; and trains new clerical employees. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist duties; ability to review, control, screen and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangement; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Statement required along with SF-171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Building, Rm. 113, from Kay Turcotte.

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

## Buggy Bath keglers clinch championship of Premier League

On the final night of the season last Monday, the Buggy Bath keglers clinched the championship of the Premier (scratch) League by outscoring the second place National Car Rental squad 14-6 in the match between these two teams.

Despite being outpointed 15-5 on the final night by the ERI Hustlers, the Killen and Hutchison CPA bowlers finished in third place in the Premier League.

Both the high team game (1067) and high team series (2908) were racked up by the Raytheon Sidewinders, who rolled to a 14½ to 5½ point win over the Elks Lodge.

The outstanding individual bowler on Monday night was Chuck Cutsinger, who had a triple 200 series of 686 that was built on single game scores of 257, 223 and 206.

Another triple 200 series bowler was Steve Zissos, whose single game scores of 201, 232 and 204 gave him a 637 total.

Other Premier League bowlers over the 600 series mark were Gary Chancey and George Bowles, who had three-game totals of 611.

In addition to Cutsinger and Zissos, Premier League bowlers with single game scores of more than 220 were Aaron Kane (249), Bowles (234), Chancey (227 and 225), Bob Branson (226 and 225), and Eddie Davis (226).

Final standings in the Premier League are:

Team	Won	Lost
Buggy Bath	343.5	256.5
National Car Rental	330	270
Killen & Hutchison CPA	321.5	278.5
ERI Hustlers	312.5	287
Raytheon Sidewinders	294.5	314.5
Elks Lodge	293	307
Sports of All Sorts	292.5	307.5
Turner's Real Estate	286.5	313.5
Hideaway	284.5	315.5
The Place	241.5	358.5

## Youth soccer . . .

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assisted by Brian Bonbright, was all that it took for the Blizzards to post a 1-0 win over the Sockers. A great save by goalie Chad Bass stymied the Sockers' chance to tie the game.

Brendan Ledden's unassisted goal boosted the Drillers to a 1-0 win over the Timbers. Results of games played in Div. 1-2 were Eagles 3, Cobras 0; Apollos 2, Rowdies 0; Express 1, Chiefs 0; and there was a 1-1 tie in the game between the Fury and Owls.

Jared Gonzales was the key to the win by the Eagles over the Cobras as he scored all three goals for the Eagles.

The Apollos picked up their 2-0 win over the Rowdies on the strength of two goals tallied by Jonathan Green, assisted by Cynthia Mann.

A total team effort by the Express soccer players enabled them to keep the pressure on the Chiefs and win a 1-0 victory on a goal tallied by David Garner.

Kevin Self scored a goal for the Fury in his team's 1-1 tie with the Owls.

## China Lake Little League baseball season opens Mon.

The China Lake Little League baseball season will start Monday evening at 6 o'clock when Capt. Scotty Vaught, NWC Chief Staff Officer, will throw out the first ball at diamond no. 4.

A total of 240 boys and girls have signed up to play ball this season in the age groups that range from 6 and 7 year olds playing T-ball, 8 through 10 year olds in the Farm Division, and those from 10 through 12 playing in Major and Minor Divisions.

This season, the Major Division teams are the Wildcats, Dodgers, Yankees, Red Sox, and Tigers, while the Minor Division teams are the Cubs, White Sox, Pirates, and the Padres.

Following the ceremonies that accompany the opening of the season, a Major Division game will be played between the Tigers and Red Sox.

## Navy team competes in state service rifle team championship match

Eight members of the Navy rifle team from China Lake competed recently in the California State service rifle championship match — an event that drew nearly 200 entrants from throughout the state and was held at Camp Elliott in Miramar.

ASE2 James Houston returned home with a silver medal for placing second overall in the sharpshooter classification.

All entrants used the M-14 rifle as they demonstrated their marksmanship in slow and rapid fire events at distances 200 to 600 yards from the target.

ASF2 Houston won the sitting position 200

yd. rapid fire match, and was the runner-up with the second best aggregate scores in the 200 and 300 yd. rapid fire, as well as in the 200 and 600 yd. slow fire matches.

Also entered in the sharpshooter classification was FTCS Nelson Foucher, who had the best score in the standing slow fire 200-yd. match, and ranked second behind ASE2 Houston in the 200-yd. sitting rapid fire match.

AMHC Robert Cummins, another Navy rifleman from China Lake, did well in the marksman class by placing second in three

matches. They were the 200 yd. sitting rapid fire, 300 yd. prone rapid fire, and he also had the second best aggregate score in the 200 and 300 yd. rapid fire match.

Robert Dickus, a civilian employee of NWC who is a member of the Sierra Desert Gun Club, also was a standout in the civilian sharpshooter class at the state championship event.

Dickus had the best score in the 200 yd. sitting rapid fire match, and also was the winner with his aggregate score in the 200-300 yd. rapid fire event.

## Promotional opportunities

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**Announcement No. 35-133, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4, PD No. 833507N, Code 352** — This is a re-advertisement. Previous applicants need not reapply; however, additional information may be submitted for consideration with previous application. This position is located in the RF Development Division, Electronic Warfare Department. Incumbent is Division Secretary and Secretarial Support Center Supervisor. Incumbent's primary duty is to assure division secretarial support requirements are accomplished, to oversee the performance of the division clerical support staff, and provide secretarial services to the division head and personnel. Incumbent reviews completed work for accuracy and conformance to established requirements, and make recommendations to the supervisor regarding manpower requirements and equipment for the division office. Incumbent coordinates department and division policies and practices; assures and maintains a high level of productivity, efficiency and responsiveness in the division by following external as well as internal procedures; and incumbent established policy and standardized formats relating to the needs of the division. Incumbent must use a high degree of initiative, judgment and tact. Ability to work under pressure and effective communication and writing skills are necessary. Ability to communicate effectively in coordinating work, obtaining information and promotion a full understanding of office methods and procedures is required. Knowledge of supervisory skills and techniques is desired. Knowledge in the various uses and operations of magnetic media, dictation and transcribing equipment desired. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review outgoing correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualification Statement is required for secretary (typist) positions and may be picked up at the Receptionist's Desk, 505 Blandy, Personnel Department, Rm. 100.

**Announcement No. 3616, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5, PD No. 7726048N, Code 366** — This position is located in the Fleet Engineering Division of the Engineering Department. The incumbent provides clerical and administrative support to the division head. Duties include receiving and directing visitors and telephone calls; exercising control over appointment calendar; setting up meetings and conferences; receiving and screening incoming mail; maintaining files; reviewing, editing, and preparing official correspondence and memoranda; preparing travel orders and itineraries. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review outgoing correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualification Statement is required with the SF-171, which are available in Rm. 100, Personnel Bldg., 505 Blandy Ave.

**Announcement No. 39-12, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5/6, PD No. 833913, Code 3907** — This position is located in the Cruise Missile Program Office, Weapons Department. The incumbent provides a variety of duties for the supervisor such as maintaining his calendar, setting up appointments and meetings, typing and providing proper distribution, reviewing all ongoing correspondence for proper format and typographical errors, making travel arrangements, preparing meeting agendas, making viewgraphs, maintaining office supplies, sending and receiving on telecopier machines. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 for secretary positions and may be picked up at the Receptionist's Desk, Personnel Department, Rm. 100. Promotion Potential to GS-6.

**Announcement No. 35-131, Multidisciplinary Supervisory, General/Electronic/Mechanical/Aerospace/Physicist/Computer Analyst/Computer Scientist/Mathematician, DP-801/855/830/861/1310/1550/159-3/4, PAC No. 8035686E, Code 355** — This position is the division head for the EWTE Division, Electronic Warfare Department. The mission of the division is to maintain, operate and test foreign threat simulators in an electronic warfare threat environment for research, development and evaluation of equipment and tactics designed to counter or penetrate foreign surface-to-air defenses. The incumbent is responsible for the technical direction of related work being performed in other divisions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** A thorough understanding of the principles of electronic warfare, radars, instrumentation, digital and analog electronic techniques is required. Knowledge of data collection systems and data assessments; experience in managing, marketing, and providing technical direction to complex programs; and ability and willingness to deal with people problems (EEO).

**Announcement No. 33-010, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5, PD No. 833507N, Code 33** — Incumbent provides clerical support to the associate department and head of staff of the Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent's duties include administrative support; maintaining calendar; receiving and directing visitors and phone calls; reviews correspondence; receives and distributes incoming mail; maintains files; prepares and handles time cards, travel orders and itineraries; purchase orders for materials, supplies and equipment; types from rough, handwritten drafts or machine dictation. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualifications Statement required, along with SF-171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Building, Room 113, from Kay Turcotte. Status eligibles will be considered.

**Announcement No. 31-098, Electronics Technician, DT-856-1/2, PAC No. 8331536, Code 3151** — This position is located in the Laser Systems Branch, Targeting Division, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent will be responsible for the operation and coordination of general laboratory electronic equipment in support of various branch projects, the incumbent will facilitate, test, troubleshoot, and repair mechanical and electronic subassemblies of laser systems and support equipment. Incumbent may contribute to the planning, coordination, and conduct of test includes, both in laboratory and field sites, including activities at the Joshua Ridge range facility. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Demonstrated ability in layout and fabrication of electronic circuitry; familiar with operation of general electronic test equipment and circuit troubleshooting techniques; willingness and ability to communicate and work with various branch and project personnel. Previous applicants are being considered and need not reapply.

**Announcement No. 31-104, Secretary (Typing) GS-318-4 PD No. 8331012, Code 3102** — This position is located in the department office of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The employee provides the full range of clerical support to the division head and to the head of staff. Duties include but are not limited to: typing and editing of handwritten drafts and providing proper distribution; receives and reviews incoming mail and phone calls; receives and directs visitors; makes travel arrangements; assists the department secretary in the work in the department office. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental qualifications statement is required and may be picked up at the reception desk of the Personnel Building.

**Announcement No. 31-105, Supervisory Electronic Engineer, Aeronautical Engineer, Computer Scientist, Mechanical Engineer, Mathematician, Physicist, of Electronic/Engineering Technician (Interdisciplinary), DP-801/833/861/1310/1550/159-3/4, PAC No. 8335686E, Code 3114** This position is that of head, F-18 Facility Branch, Avionic Facilities Division, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The F-18 Facility Branch develops, operates and maintains the simulation/integration facility used in the development, test, verification, validation and modification of the tactical computer software for the F-18 aircraft. The incumbent will be responsible for facility management, system analysis and planning, scheduling and providing general technical and managerial guidance required in operating the facility. Only DP levels 3 and 4 may apply. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of both professional and development activities; ability to supervise; knowledge of digital computer engineering, digital system design, software engineering and/or simulation of aircraft avionics; ability to communicate clearly, both orally and in writing; interest in and support of the equal employment opportunity program.

**Announcement No. C-06-02, Interdisciplinary, Physicist DP-1316-3, Mechanical Engineer DP-830-3, Aerospace Engineer DP-861-3, Code 0632** — This position is located in the Ground Project Office of the Test and Evaluation Directorate. The incumbent serves as a focal point for program offices and other sponsors for test work on the NWC range. Responsibilities include test planning, fiscal management, test coordination, analysis and documentation. The incumbent will be assigned responsibility for a variety of the T&E programs for sponsors from off Center organizations as well as from NWC, and will coordinate the efforts of both professional and technical personnel and technicians from across organizational lines. The position requires regular contact with the incumbent's immediate supervisor, sponsors, and technical and administrative associates. It will also require contacts with other Center managers, contractors, higher management, and national organizations. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to analyze and thoroughly understand the requirements of complex technical programs; knowledge of instrumentation and data analysis techniques; ability to motivate others as well

as communicate well both orally and in writing; ability to effectively work with various organizational levels at NWC and with contractor personnel.

**Announcement No. 33-009, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, PD No. 7933047N, Code 33003** — This position is that of secretary to the head, Standard Missile Ordnance Components Technical Office, Fuze Systems division of the Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent's duties include maintaining calendar; receiving and directing visitors and phone calls; reviews correspondence; receives and distributes incoming mail; maintains files; prepares and handles time cards, travel orders and itineraries; purchase orders for materials, supplies and equipment; type from rough, handwritten drafts or machine dictation. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Supplemental Qualifications Statement required, along with the SF-171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Building, Room 113, from Kay Turcotte. Status eligibles will be considered.

**Announcement No. 26-364, Industrial Property Management Specialist, DA-1103-01 or DA-1103-02, PAC No. 8324723, Code 2483** — Applicants under Announcement 26-359 will be considered for this position and need not reapply. This position is located in the Contract Management Branch, Facilities Support Contracts Division, Public Works Department. The incumbent will be responsible for administering or performing technical work in the administration of contract provisions relating to control of government property in the possession of contractors. Guides contractor in establishing property control systems; evaluates, analyzes and tests contractor's systems, evaluates lost or damaged property to determine contractor's liability. Resolves property administration questions with contractor's personnel and concerned departments. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of industrial property management programs; ability to implement policies and procedures for property control system; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; ability to work independently and to make sound judgments and decisions; ability to deal with others in a tactful and persuasive manner.

**Announcement No. 26-363, Transportation Manager, DA/DP-1601-3, PAC No. 8226700E, Code 269** — This position serves as the head of the Transportation Division, Public Works Department. Duties include management of transportation maintenance and operations at NWC; this function includes: technical representative for contractual operations/maintenance; direct liaison to the Naval Facilities Engineering Command; full-spectrum management of transportation resources including contracts monitoring, materials/equipment acquisitions, planning, scheduling and analysis of transportation program requirements. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of transportation operations and maintenance management requirements; ability to implement effective supervisory and managerial policies, (including EEO objectives); ability to plan, allocate and coordinate resources such as billets, manpower, funds, facilities and equipment.

**Announcement No. 33-008, Administrative Assistant/Officer, DA-341-1/2, PAC No. 8323526,**





## Navy women's team loses two softball tilts at Edwards AFB

The NWC women's varsity slowpitch softball team traveled to Edwards Air Force Base last Saturday for a double-header.

Although defeated twice, by scores of 15-5 in the first game and 11-9 in the second tilt, the China Lakers gained their first playing experience as a team in preparation for the upcoming start of Women's Softball League play.

A total of 15 errors contributed to the downfall of the China Lake team in game No. 1 last Saturday at Edwards AFB.

The winners tallied just 4 earned runs, thanks principally to a double and a home run with two runners on base that were hit by Marilyn Terry for the Air Force team.

Leading hitter for the NWC women's varsity squad in the first game was Dana Jacobsen, first baseman, who had a double and a single in three times at bat.

In game No. 2, it took a home run in the last half of the seventh by Edwards AFB to win the game 11-9.

Highlight of this game for the China Lakers was a first-inning triple play that began when Peggy Barrette, shortstop, speared a line drive and tossed the ball to Dana Jacobsen at first base to get one base runner. Jacobsen then fired the ball across the diamond to Joanne Lopata at third base for out No. 3, when yet another Edwards base runner was caught off the bag.

Harold Parker, coach of the NWC military women's softball team, also had reason to feel better about the team's performance in the second half of the double header, when Patti Spencer, center fielder for the China Lakers, connected for a circuit clout with two runners on base.

While these two contests were the first of the season for the team from NWC, the Edwards' squad has played eight games so far this spring.

## Close, low scoring youth soccer games played

Close, low-scoring games indicative of evenly-balanced teams were a trademark of Youth Soccer League contests played last Saturday.

In Division 7-9 for junior high soccer players, the Gunners and Wolves shut out the Spurs and Villains, respectively, by the identical score of 2-0.

Jerry Caird and James Caves tallied one goal each for the Gunners. Players credited with assists on the scoring plays were Paul Lellis and Bryan Jones.

Craig Rindt accounted for both goals for the Wolves in their 2-0 win over the Villains — getting assists from David Lowham and Bobby Hudson. The Villains' strong, left-side attack was contained defensively by Jay Okamoto, Eric Nelson and Jeremy Meyers of the Wolves.

Action in Div. 5-6 of the Youth Soccer League was highlighted by the Kicks' 5-3 defeat of the Diplomats. Trailing 5-1, the Diplomats staged a comeback that netted them two goals, but they couldn't overcome the Kicks' early lead.

Marc Frisbee scored three goals in leading the Kicks to their 5-3 win over the Diplomats, and Scott Artz and Todd Henderson tallied one goal apiece for the victors. In addition, Henderson was credited with assists on three scoring plays and Dean Waldon had two assists.

Matt Ziegler had two goals (one on a penalty kick) for the Diplomats and Will Freeman tallied the other.

Scores of games played in Div. 5-6 were Rogues 4, Tornado 1; Whitecaps 3, Sounders 0; and Surf 3, Roughnecks 1.

## Burros varsity nine takes lumps in game at AV

Getting back onto the winning side of the ledger in round No. 2 of Golden League varsity baseball action is proving to be a difficult chore for the Burroughs High School varsity baseball team, which has now given up 38 runs in its last three league contests.

The latest problem for the Burros was created by the Antelope Valley High School squad, which knocked off the Ridgecrest team by a final tally of 15-2 in a game played last Tuesday afternoon in Lancaster.

The Burroughs High squad averted a shutout by scoring two runs in the top half of the seventh inning, but it was far too little and much too late, as the 'lopes were resting comfortably on a 15-0 lead at that point in the game.

AV batters had a field day against the Burros' pitching — coming up with 15 runs on 15 hits and striking out only once. Six walks were issued by BHS pitchers, and the local team committed five errors — none of

them critical in view of the way the 'lopes were hitting the ball and scoring runs.

After two innings of play, the Lancaster team led by a score of 8-0, but then tacked on a pair of runs in the fourth and sixth innings, plus three more in the fifth to run up a total of 15.

Sean Baron, pitcher for AV, was the big RBI man for the Antelopes with a grand slam home run in the third inning and another circuit clout with a runner on base in the fourth.

Dave Vigneault was the starting pitcher for Burroughs in the game at Lancaster. He was taken out in the third inning and replaced by Steve Vie, who tried unsuccessfully to weather the storm for the remainder of the contest.

During last Friday afternoon's game at Quartz Hill, the Burros varsity nine started off strong, but weakness on the part of the pitching staff was the turning point in the game that the Burros lost by a final tally of

14-13.

Jon Truitt, who had been ineligible for academic reasons earlier in the season, was the starting pitcher for Burroughs at Quartz Hill. His teammates, who were hitting the ball well, got him a 11-4 lead after 3½ innings of play.

Truitt's inability to keep the ball down low on the Quartz Hill batters enabled the Rebels to rack up four runs during their turn at bat in the fourth inning. Truitt was relieved in the fifth inning by Kevin Blecha, who plays shortstop and is not listed as a pitcher.

Attacking the pitching by Truitt and Blecha, Quartz Hill overcame a 11-8 deficit by scoring six runs in the fifth inning to go ahead 14-11.

As it turned out, that was all of the scoring the Rebels needed to shade the Burros 14-13, despite the fact that the local team outit its Quartz Hill opponents 15-13 and committed just four errors compared to five for the Rebels.

Leading hitter for Burroughs in the Quartz Hill game was Mark Kaupp, who had 4 singles (3 RBIs) in five times at bat. In addition, Rick Bird, Tim Lewis and Dan Allen all had 2-base hits as well as one single each, and Dave Vigneault pounded out a home run with a man on base.

The Burros, who have a win and a tie to show for their efforts in seven league games played so far this season, will host the Canyon Cowboys in a league tilt at home this afternoon at 3:30, and then will be on the road Tuesday for a 3:30 p.m. tilt at Saugus.

## Cerro Coso College schedules bicycle hill climb Sunday

A bicycle hill climb, part of the intramural sports program at Cerro Coso Community College, has been scheduled on Sunday morning.

Bicycle riders interested in competing in this event should meet at the intersection of College Heights and South China Lake Boulevards at 8 a.m., and the race will start at 8:30.

There is an entry fee of 75 cents per person that is payable at the time of registration.

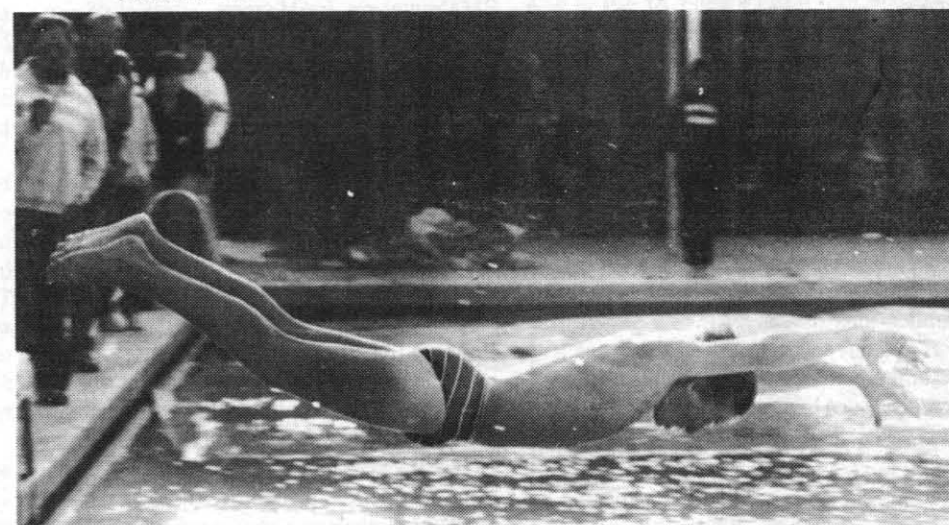
There will be three age divisions for men and women who compete in the bicycle hill climb, and the winners of each division will receive a T-shirt, while those placing in first through fifth places will receive ribbons. Additional prizes have been donated by the T. J. Frisbee Bicycle Shop in Ridgecrest.

### CURRENT RECORD HOLDERS

The current record holders in this event, and their times, are:

Women — Junior Division (17 years of age and under), Jackie Kratz, 30 min., 12 sec.; Senior Division (18 through 34 years of age), Marie Josephson, 15:02; and Veteran Division (over 35 years of age), Mary Ann Gallagher, 18:20.

Men — Junior Division, Guy Bien, 12:01; Senior Division, Chuck Lewis, 8:36; and Veteran Division, Jerry Gentry, 10:12.



**READY FOR INVITATIONAL** — Sean Johnson, who competes in the freshman-sophomore 400 yd. freestyle relay race, is one of a group of boys and girls who will represent Burroughs High School in the West Covina invitational swimming meet tomorrow at Industry Hills. Johnson, who also vies in the 50 yd. freestyle and 100 yd. backstroke races, tuned up for tomorrow's competition by entering the preliminaries last Saturday at West Covina. The varsity girls from Burroughs will be led by Michelle Wright, the Golden League's premier swimmer. — Photo by PHAN Greg Hogan

## 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

**Civilian employee** — I have another one of those comments concerning travel type things. This has to do with the Disbursing Office, however. On Friday, March 11, I had to pick up some tickets for travel that I was starting on March 13. Because I was very busy getting ready to go on travel I decided to take advantage of the time before my lunch hour to pick up my tickets.

I got to the Disbursing Office and the clocks on the wall said the time was 11:26 a.m. exactly and all the lights were out and no one was around. I didn't see anyone in the hallway, which indicated to me that the people had been gone for quite awhile. I took my lunch and I returned after lunch, exactly 12:30 p.m. There were two people in the area; however, they were not near the disbursing window where you pick up your tickets. I waited for exactly 8 minutes before anybody even showed up, probably close to 12:40, then somebody finally came and opened up the safe and got out the tickets and everything.

The main reason I'm calling is that it seems like a service-oriented section like disbursing, especially where people are coming to pick up travel advances or tickets, where they are in a hurry and are very busy getting ready for travel, it's very upsetting to have to spend all your time waiting for the people to return from an "early" and "late" lunch.

I wanted to offer a suggestion to see if possibly the window could operate under the same practice as the SATO office does? They have a split lunch hour with different employees taking different lunch hours. They have somebody there at all times to service the customers. Thank you very much.

### ANSWER

I agree with you and I want you to know that the Disbursing Office is normally open through the noon hour.

On the particular day mentioned, the employees of the Disbursing Office were celebrating the fact that a couple of them who had been in the RIF had just recently been informed that their jobs had been saved after all. The group went out to lunch to celebrate this. They were a few minutes late getting back.

Incidentally, that day (11 March) was the last day of the RIF and the Disbursing Office worked until approximately 1800 paying off people who had been separated.

### QUESTION

**Civilian Employee** — I just went through the Safety Office to survey some work clothes, and while I was there one of the new contractors, Spear, to be exact, had an employee in there drawing safety shoes at the government's expense.

I'm just wondering if this is appropriate or not. If I am hired to do a job, it seems to me that I should furnish all equipment required to do the job and not get a contract, then in turn, have the government furnish part of my equipment.

I would like an answer, please, Sir, if you could.

### ANSWER

A very good question and I thank you for bringing it to my attention.

As a general policy, contractor employees are not authorized to withdraw protective items from the NWC Safety Issue Room. However, some contractors are prepared with a specific clause permitting their employees to have government issued material and/or equipment.

Further, in order to preclude any person from being exposed in a hazardous operation on NWC land or under NWC cognizance, protective safety items are issued on a case by case basis.

As regards the specific incident you allude to, it has been determined that all was correct and proper. Thanks again for your interest and your sharp eye.

**Civilian employee** — I want to thank you for the Skipper Sez column and I think it is a wonderful idea. I don't always like my answers, but sometimes I don't even like the questions. I think it is something you should be complimented on for creating.

### ANSWER

You are welcome, and I thank you for your comments. Of course it is not possible for everyone to like my answers, but I think it's important that people know how I view things, and the calls sure help me to do my job as they alert me to many things that would otherwise remain unknown.

## Decrease reported in frequency, severity of accidents at NWC

The Center's safety record for 1982 has shown a favorable decrease in both frequency and severity rates indicating a recovery from the increase since 1977, which peaked in 1981.

Overall accidents reported since 1977 indicate that frequency rates (disabling work injuries per 200,000 man hours) for 1982 dropped to .88 from .96 for 1977-1981, and severity rates (number of days lost per 200,000 man hours) dropped to 12.42 from 42.12. For 1981 alone, frequency rates were 1.30 and severity rates were 14.55.

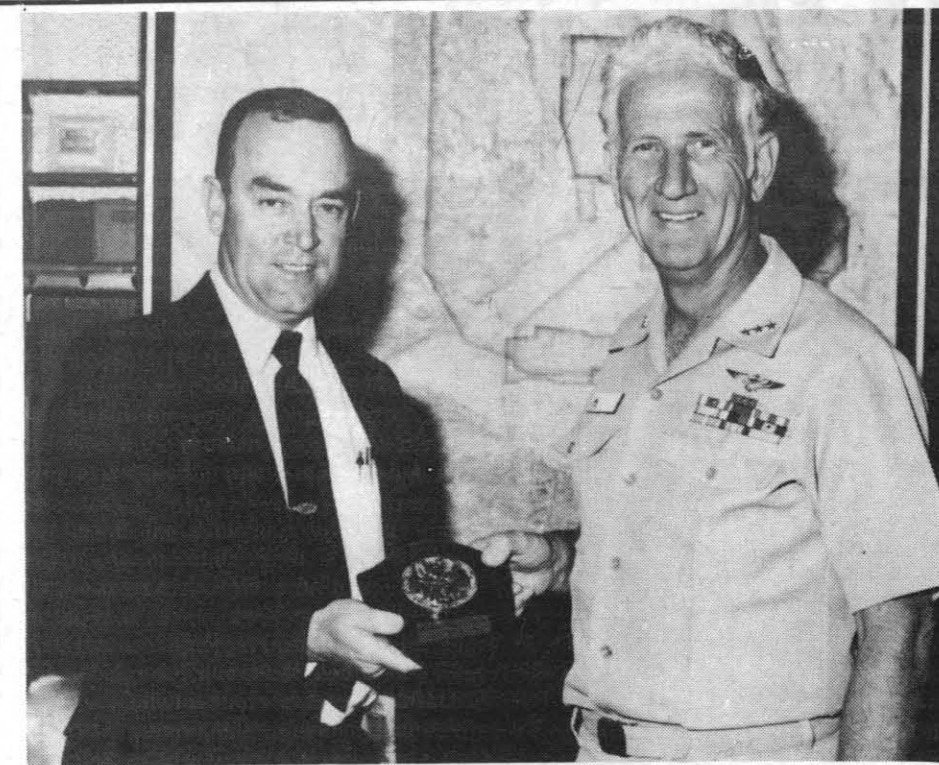
According to the Naval Weapons Center Annual Safety Report, the improvements are partly because of increased interest and activity from supervisors and their subordinates.

A new individual monetary safety awards program implemented by the Center also had a positive effect on the safety program. Guidelines for this program were forwarded

to the Chief of Naval Material requesting the establishment of a cash awards program for individual achievement in promoting safety and health in the work environment.

Emphasis has increased on providing health programs, training for safety and personnel, and training for supervisors and operating personnel who are exposed to health hazards in the normal course of their work. Safety courses provided in 1982 included the Supervisors' Safety Training class, the Asbestos Control class, and the Respiratory Protection Training class.

The report emphasized that preventing accidents and providing a healthful working environment are accomplished by supervisors and employees on a daily basis. A cooperative effort is needed from the Center personnel in identifying hazards and in finding practical solutions to safety and health problems.



**MEMENTO OF VISIT** — An NWC plaque is presented to Rear Admiral C. A. Easterling by G. R. Schiefer, NWC Laboratory Director, during a recent visit to China Lake by RAdm. Easterling, who is Commander of the Naval Air Force, Pacific Fleet. The intensive briefings given the distinguished visitor ranged from information on geothermal utilization and the Weapons Tactics and Analysis Center in Code 12, to an overview of the programs of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five, the F/A-18 Weapons System Support Activity, and details regarding Integrated Electronic Warfare Counter Response. — Photo by PH1 Benita Tetreault

## NWC Bluejacket of Quarter . . .

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by the Navy and the security of Navy service as well as a spirit of adventure led him to discuss coming back into the military with his wife, Jean, and they both agreed that a military career would answer their needs and wishes.

On reenlistment, he was not able to get into the Air Traffic Controller rating immediately; he served as an Aviation Ordnanceman until he was able to go to "A" school in 1980.

His assignment at China Lake began his career as an Air Traffic Controller, and he's worked both at a radar site and at the control tower, where he is now the supervisor.

He and Jean are the parents of Mark, 15, Nikki, 13, and Carrie, 6. Both the Young teenagers are very athletic, says their

## 3 Centerites win award for paper on geothermal exploring

A certificate denoting a first place award for a paper that describes geothermal exploration work in the Coso Hot Springs area of the Naval Weapons Center was won recently by a trio of Naval Weapons Center employees.

The certificate was presented during the annual meeting of the Geothermal Resources Council, which was held at the Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel in San Diego.

Recognized for their efforts that went into a written and photographic description of the monitoring of surface thermal manifestations in the Coso Known Geothermal Resource Area (KGRA) were Charles Rodgers, Dr. James Whelan, and Gene Edwards.

Rodgers, a chemical engineer in the Geothermal Utilization Division (Code 266) of the Public Works Department, and Dr. Whelan, a professor from the University of Utah, who is employed periodically as a consultant to Code 266, collaborated on writing the paper, while Edwards, a photographer in the Range Department, provided the photos that were used to illustrate it.

The paper, entitled "Baseline Environmental Monitoring of Surface Thermal Manifestations in the Coso KGRA," describes steam flows through corrosion arrays — making readily apparent (by the use of photos) seasonal variations in steam flows and mud pot fluid levels.

Information about the award winners was published in the February 1983 issue of the Geothermal Resources Council Bulletin.

father. Mark was active in basketball at Murray Junior High School, and Petty Officer Young spent many hours helping support the basketball program by scorekeeping and through a variety of other volunteer tasks.

Other off-duty interests that are family oriented include belonging to a motorcycle club with which the whole family goes on weekend outings, and fishing and swimming at Lake Isabella.

Petty Officer Young completed studies for an Associate of Arts degree in business management at Kentucky Business College while a civilian, and hopes to be able to complete requirements for a degree in business management in the near future.

This will coordinate well with the career field that Mrs. Young has entered, he says. She has worked in various types of sales jobs during much of the time that they have been married and is now employed here at the Navy Exchange Minimart. Everywhere that she's worked, he notes with pride, she has demonstrated how well she works with people and has always been able to rise rapidly in her job responsibilities.

For being selected as Bluejacket of the Quarter, AC1 Young will become eligible for the Bluejacket of the Year competition sponsored by the Indian Wells Valley Council of the Navy League, will have the use of a Hertz car for the weekend and also receive a \$25 check for gasoline from the Chamber of Commerce.

In addition, he will get a \$25 gift certificate from a local merchant who is a CofC member, and will get dinner for two at a local restaurant.

## Inattention main cause of gov't vehicle accidents

Inattention was cited in the annual Safety and Security Department Vehicle Accident Report as the major cause for the increased number of government vehicle accidents for 1982.

The number of reportable accidents (those with damage over \$500 or accidents involving personal injury) rose from 14 in 1981 to 18 in 1982, while unreportable vehicle accidents (those with damage below \$500) decreased from 26 to 23.

No vehicle related disabling injuries occurred during either 1981 or 1982, and only one fatality (in an off-duty motorcycle accident) occurred during 1982.

An injury related accident occurred every 162,806 miles driven in 1982 compared to 203,440 driven in 1981 by the Center's vehicles.

Other causes contributing to vehicle accidents included driver error, backing, hitting objects, vehicle mechanical deficiencies, and road ice.





**BIG WINNER** — When it came to deciding the "best of the best" in the Military Person of the Year award program, the honor went to HM2 Stephen Stewart, a Navy hospital corpsman assigned to duty at the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Barstow. Dr. Lawrence J. Korb presented a plaque denoting this honor to HM2 Stewart, who was accompanied by his wife to the speakers' rostrum.

— Photo by PHAN Greg Hogan

## Military Person of Year . . .

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The tension built as the five candidates awaited the announcement revealing which one of them would represent the high desert area as the first annual Military Person of the Year. When Dr. Korb came forward to announce the selection of Petty Officer Stewart, the standing room only crowd stood up and gave the young sailor a standing ovation.

For nailing down this top honor, Petty Officer Stewart and his wife were presented with numerous gifts from individuals and organizations in the CMAC region. John Hart, committee co-chairman, presented Petty Officer and Mrs. Stewart with a round-trip to Hawaii, courtesy of the City of Palmdale; seven days at the Waikiki Outrigger Hotel in Honolulu, courtesy of the City of Ridgecrest; use of a Budget Rent-A-Car while in Hawaii, courtesy of the Budget Car agencies in Ridgecrest and Palmdale; and air fare to and from Los Angeles, courtesy of C & M Airlines.

Among the monetary gifts presented were a \$500 Saving Bond from Kilgore Coins of Lancaster and Victorville; a \$100 bill from

## Register now for workshops planned on Secretary's Day

Secretarial and clerical personnel who remember the dynamic workshops that LaNelle Thompson has conducted in the past are signing up in significant numbers for the two workshops she will conduct on April 27 (Secretary's Day).

The three-hour workshops, entitled "The Secretary — The Vital Link," requires advance registration. Those who wish to sign up must submit an NWC Training Request and Authorization Form through department channels so that it will reach Code 094 by the close of business on April 20. The morning workshop begins at 8 a.m.; it will be repeated in the afternoon, beginning at 1 o'clock.

Since 200 reservations have already been received for the luncheon on that day, no more can be accepted. The speaker for the luncheon is Karen Altieri, head of the Employment Wage and Classification Division in the Personnel Department. Ms. Altieri will present a talk entitled "The Secretary: The Backbone of the Organization."

Also scheduled for the day will be a film festival with three films lasting a total of approximately two hours. The films will be shown in the Management Center of Michelson Laboratory beginning at 9 a.m. There will be a repeat showing starting at 2 p.m.

Don Oakes Lumber in Hesperia; \$100 presented by Charlotte Foster, the mayor of Adelanto on behalf of her city; and a \$50 Savings Bond from the City of Lancaster.

A presentation that many considered the most meaningful was the gift of an American flag that had flown recently over the nation's capitol. The flag, courtesy of Rep. Jerry Lewis (R-Calif., 35th District), was presented by Congressman Lewis' brother, John.

Congressman Lewis was unable to attend the banquet due to prior commitments in Washington.

Nearly 30 supporters of the Military Person of the Year award program from China Lake and Ridgecrest were in attendance, including Capt. J. J. Lahr, NWC Commander, and Mrs. Lahr; Capt. Paul F. Hollandsworth, Commanding Officer of VX-5, and Mrs. Hollandsworth, and Anna Marie Bergens, a member of the Ridgecrest City Council.

— By PHAN Greg Hogan

## Victims of fire express appreciation for help

When PRL Larry Crowder and his wife Anne lost all their personal possessions as a result of a fire at their China Lake residence, shipmates and other Centerites coordinated a drive to help the young couple get re-established.

The Crowders are profoundly grateful for all the assistance they have received, for the concern and care shown on their behalf, and wish to express their appreciation.

## Police reports . . .

A burglary at the Sea Cadet hut, located in one of the old Card Street apartments, was reported last Saturday to China Lake police.

A color television set, worth an estimated \$150, was stolen from the Sea Cadet Hut. There was no sign of forced entry into the building.

### BOOTS WALK AWAY

A pair of women's boots valued at \$50 were stolen during the noon hour last Friday from the women's locker room at the Center gym.

The owner of the boots had left them sitting in front of the locker in which she stored her clothes.

### WALLET STOLEN

Theft of a wallet from a shelf in the bar at the Enlisted Mess (open) was reported last week to China Lake police.

The missing wallet, valued at \$5, contained credit cards and also a military ID card.

## Gardening advice given tenants by member of Oasis Garden Club

"Look at what's growing well in other people's gardens and then plant it yourself," was the practical advice that Terry Midlemis of the Oasis Garden Club gave residents of Center housing at the regular monthly meeting of the tenants' Community Council Monday evening.

She also advised tyro gardeners to check lists of what grows well in this climate that can be found at the Housing Division office, or look over gardening books such as those published by Sunset magazine.

These books, "Desert Gardening" and "New Western Garden Book," as well as HP Books' "Plants for Dry Gardens," also list by specific desert area what will flourish because altitude, amount of rain, minimum temperatures in winter, soil conditions, and amount of wind are factors, Mrs. Midlemis said.

In answer to a question about why plants that grow well in Tucson do not seem to be

native in the local area, she pointed out that winter minimum temperatures here sometimes go down to 10 degrees, whereas Tucson temperatures tend to be somewhat warmer in winter.

She advised that gardeners can probably get cuttings from plants in their friends' gardens rather than having to expend any large amount of money to buy plants, or can start plants from seeds. The Housing Division self-help program also furnishes some plants to tenants who wish to enhance their gardens.

Water is also a major factor in plant growth in the local area, said Mrs. Midlemis, and controlling the amount of watering done can be used to curb the growth of shrubs or trees that the gardener wishes to keep to a moderate size.

She recommended also that gardeners new to the area visit the flower shows scheduled later this month at the High Desert Escapade or other local flower shows to see the variety of plants that can thrive under local conditions.

The next tenants' Community Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, at 7 p.m. in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel. Fire prevention in the home will be the topic discussed, and all residents of Center housing are urged to attend.

## Tips about starting own business title of IEEE meeting talk

"Starting Your Own Business" will be discussed at a meeting of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) to be held on Monday at El Charro Avitia, 1337 North China Lake Blvd., Ridgecrest.

Bert F. Fergly, a management assistance officer for the Small Business Administration, will cover topics including sizing yourself up for business, buying or starting a business, and setting up a record-keeping system.

Those who wish to have dinner, which starts at 6:30 p.m., are asked to make reservations by telephoning Mel Creusere at NWC ext. 2009, or Bob Williams, NWC ext. 6488 or 375-7735. No reservations are needed for the program, which begins at 7:30.

Visitors are welcome.

## Wildflowers create traffic hazard as motorists stop, look

The profusion of wildflowers out on the hillsides around Lake Isabella has created a traffic hazard — flower-loving motorists who stop either in the middle of the road or not far enough off the shoulder in order to admire (or photograph) the blossoms.

Drivers in the area are warned to be especially watchful on rounding blind curves or dropping over the hill on the chance they may suddenly come upon a nature-lover.

## Volcanic hazards in Inyo County subject of talk Saturday

Jim Angelo, Inyo County Emergency Services Coordinator, will be the featured speaker at an open meeting of the Indian Wells Valley Emergency Services Volunteer Council tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 200 Drummond Drive, Ridgecrest.

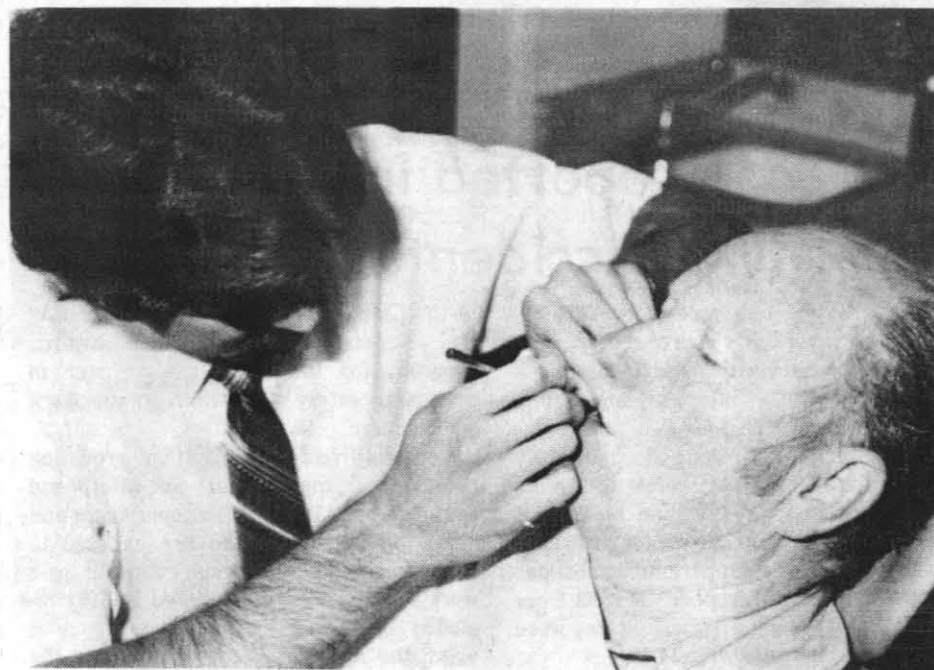
All interested persons are invited to attend.

Angelo will talk about the volcanic hazards in his area and plans being made to deal with this potential problem, about the unified command system (for emergencies) being implemented for Inyo and Mono Counties, and will also recap a major interagency search and rescue operation held recently in Death Valley.

## NEX Optical Shop hours

Hours of service at the Navy Exchange Optical Shop have been changed.

Optical services will now be provided from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturdays.



**CHECK FOR CANCER** — Floyd Forrand, one of the members of the Health Fair Expo planning committee, gets an oral cancer screening by one of seven local dentists who will be providing this service free on the day of the Health Fair, Saturday, April 30. The Health Fair will provide a variety of other health services free — vision and hearing, blood pressure, respiratory, oral and stress screenings — and also a sophisticated multifactor blood chemistry test for only \$8. All local residents are urged to bring their families for screenings between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the Burroughs High School multiuse room.

— Photo by PHAN Greg Hogan

## Military Wives offer 3 scholarships for military dependents

Any dependent of either an active duty or retired military person of any rank who plans to continue his or her education is invited to apply for one of three \$1,000 scholarships that will be awarded by the Military Wives' Club.

The scholarships will be presented to seniors at Burroughs or Mesquite High Schools, or to students from Cerro Coso Community College who are planning to further their education at a four-year college or a vocational school.

Deadline for the applications is April 30. They may be picked up at the counseling office at Burroughs High School, at the Mesquite High School office, or at the Cerro Coso College office.

Additional information about the scholarships will be found on the application forms.

## Remember when . . .



Nearly 20 years have elapsed since the above photo was snapped of this week's "Remember when ..." column personality during a fraternity function at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

It was busy time in his life, which included active participation in Kappa Sigma fraternity, playing on the freshman football team, and participation in the Air National Guard, as well as studies that eventually led to a bachelor's degree in commercial design.

He was married to his high school sweetheart just before being graduated from college, and the two settled down in Oxnard, Calif. He went to work for an advertising agency and she embarked on a career as a school teacher, and is still involved in that vocation.

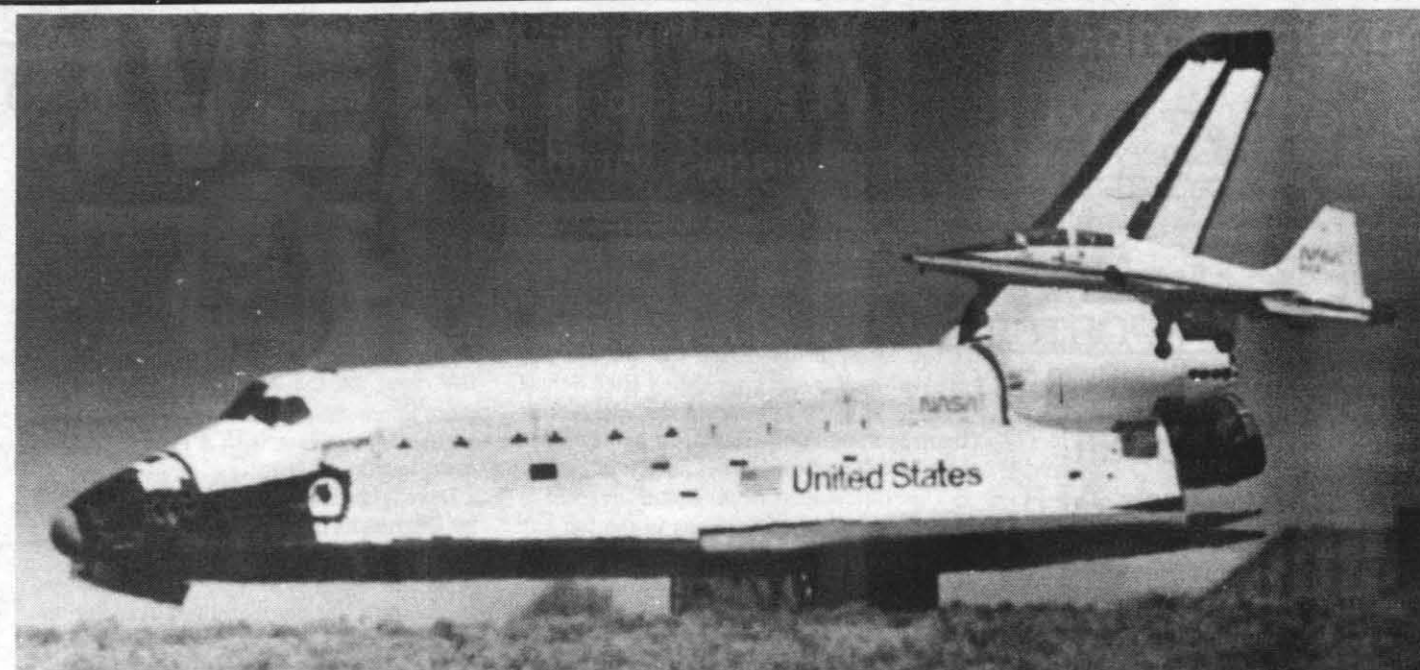
A job offer at the Naval Weapons Center brought this week's "Remember when ..." personality here in 1969, following a brief stint on his own in the advertising art service field.

Early on during his career at China Lake, he won a third place award in a national graphics arts contest for a logo that he developed for the China Lake Community Council.

Hired initially as head of the Special Publications Design Section in the Technical Information Department's Illustration and Design Branch, his art work and expertise in layout and design helped to improve the appearance and readability of reports and other Center publications for the past 12½ years.

If you haven't recognized this week's "Remember when ..." column personality, turn to page 8.

**Editor's note:** Reader's contributions of old photos for the "Remember when ..." column can be made by delivering them to the Public Affairs Office, attention Beth Holtermans, phone NWC ext. 3511. Please include a telephone number at work so that information to accompany the photos can be obtained.



**HAPPY LANDING** — Challenger, the nation's second space shuttle, settles gently to the ground at Edwards Air Force Base under the watchful shepherding of a NASA T-38 chase plane. More than 100,000 visitors at the landing site cheered as Challenger completed its 2.1-million mile break-in flight within a few seconds of its scheduled 10:53 a.m. landing last Saturday.

— Photo by Tim Tyson

## NEX, Commissary Store operating policy outlined

Many patrons of the Navy's exchange and commissary stores are curious about the policies governing these outlets and want to know how policies, such as merchandising and pricing, affect them and why some items are not available for purchase.

Because the Commissary Store Program operates under funding constraints, the Navy believes that available labor and space resources should be dedicated to essential products rather than to products such as cigarettes and soft drinks. The sale of the latter items is believed to have a serious impact on Navy Exchange profits.

However, in the interest of providing patrons with better service, the Navy is interested in setting up Navy-exchange operated outlets at commissary stores that would carry a limited range of items, including cigarettes and soft drinks.

Item markup for the Navy is done on a variable system in which an entire merchandise group or subgroup have a specific initial markup percent to achieve the desired grocery department goal.

Basic items such as milk, butter, white bread, baby foods, soaps and detergents,

and toothpaste are given the lowest markup.

Higher markups are applied to juices, pasta products, cat and dog foods, fresh baked goods, and health and beauty aids. The highest markup is limited to gourmet foods and holiday items.

This system allows uniform price differentials between Commissary Store retail prices and normal retail prices in commercial supermarkets to be maintained, providing patrons with consistent savings on all items stocked.

The system also reduces the number of price changes that would otherwise be made when minimal increases in supplier cost prices occur. All decreases in supplier cost prices are reflected in the retail price on the specific products to which they relate.

Many times patrons may find items priced higher in the Navy Exchange than in the Commissary. Exchanges, unlike Commissaries, have to pay for labor costs and have to generate a profit, which goes to the Morale, Welfare, and Recreation Fund. These two elements are reflected in the exchange markup.

Since Commissary Stores do not operate for a profit, revenues generated by markups are used to cover overhead expenses. Excess monies are used to build new stores, renovate old ones, and purchase

replacement equipment.

Sometimes items may be found in the civilian supermarkets at a cheaper price usually because these items are loss leaders — items sold at or below cost price in order to attract customers to the store. Commissary Stores do not use the marketing ploy, but concentrate instead on providing patrons with significant savings on all items carried.

Results of retail price comparison surveys conducted semiannually by the Navy continue to show that the Commissary Stores provide an average savings of 20 percent over commercial supermarket prices.

Salaries for Commissary Store employees are paid out of funds appropriated by Congress. Labor costs incurred are not passed on to patrons.

If a patron decides to special order case lots of merchandise from the Commissary Store, reasonable requests will be honored. Advance notice of the request should be given to the store's management because purchase quantities may have to be increased to provide the patron with the case lots desired.

For more information concerning store policy, contact Cdr. Gary Case, NWC ext. 2906, or any member of the Navy Exchange and Commissary Advisory Board.

## 1983 observance of National Library Week starts Sunday

April 17th marks the beginning of National Library Week. This year's theme is "Look To Your Library".

This restates the Center Library's goal to educate the public to the fact that the library is their servant, providing a resource for their ideas, and should be cherished as a bulwark of their individual freedoms.

In today's complicated, highspeed technological society, one cannot afford to neglect the purposeful use of books and other library materials. For enlightened personal decisions, for getting heads out of the sands of apathy, books, reading and libraries are indispensable.

Libraries are no longer storehouses for books, but dynamic educational institutions, a vital resource at the center of the community. Librarians have dispelled the old image of being a meek and mild person. They are friendly, well educated persons, who enjoy bringing books and people together, and believe strongly in the importance of libraries, books, ideas, and reading.

In this community, where continuing education is part of the everyday norm, the library is ever expanding. In addition to an exceptionally fine general library collection (over 36,000 volumes) the library carries 115 magazines, 13 newspapers, and over 900 record albums. The library also has chess sets that may be checked out or used in the library.

The Center Library attempts to satisfy the interest of all patrons in its collection of magazines. Current events are covered by such titles as "Newsweek," "U.S. News & World Report" and "Time"; hobbies by "Lapidary Journal," "Crafts," "Creative Crafts" and "Workbench"; sports by "Backpacker," "Bicycling," "Boating," "Golf," "Road & Track," "Outdoor Life," "Runner's World" and "Sports Illustrated"; family life by "Better Homes & Gardens," "Health," "Good Housekeeping," "House & Gardens," "Ladies Home Journal" and "Parents"; business and management by "Business Week," "Money," "Savvy," "Supervisory Management" and "Working Women."

A study carrel is provided for the wheelchair-seated patron. This carrel has an adjustable work surface to provide a comfortable height for the wheelchair-seated person. All patrons are welcome to use the carrel, with the understanding that should a wheelchair-seated patron need it, they will move to another table.

Readers are reminded that all employees of NWC, regardless of residence, are eligible, and encouraged, to use the library. The library is open 11:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 12 noon to 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Remember — those who don't read have no advantage over those who can't!

— By Elizabeth Shanteler  
Center Librarian