

## Workshops offered

Desert Counseling Clinic will hold two workshops on communications skills at the Community Room of the Desert Counseling Clinic, 814 North Norma Street in Ridgecrest.



### Weather Report

	Max	Min	Gusts
Thurs.	98	57	20 knots
Fri.	97	51	17 knots
Sat.	88	53	20 knots
Sun.	86	50	20 knots
Mon.	92	51	17 knots
Tues.	96	54	28 knots
Wed.	96	53	14 knots

All measurements are made at Armitage Airfield.

The first will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. with Jack Bradshaw-Stacy and Lori Weidner as facilitators.

This workshop will focus on communicating with business associates, adult friends and spouses.

The second workshop, held Wednesday, Sept. 30, will focus on communicating with young children and teenagers within the family, in school settings and in recreational settings.

Issues involved in offering effective discipline will also be discussed. Facilitators for the second workshop are Jessica Cromarty and Paulette Solberg.

Those interested in attending either workshop are asked to telephone the Desert Counseling Clinic, 375-9781, to register.

## Community Events

Friday, Sept. 25, the Commissioned Officers' Mess will be full of music of the 50s when The Platters recreate their big hits of that era.

Those who'd like to start the evening with a superb dinner can enjoy a 3-meat buffet and salad bar from 6 to 8 p.m. Listening and dancing to the music of The Platters is scheduled from 8 p.m. to midnight.

Cost for dinner and show is \$20 per person, while for the show only is \$12. Club members have a \$2 discount.

Reservations are required. They can be obtained by telephoning the COM at 446-2549.

Pig races are only one of the events featured at the Los Angeles County Fair, now underway in Pomona and lasting through Oct. 4. There will also be horse racing, a giant midway with carnival rides and games, and all sorts of exhibits of livestock and the other standard fair exhibits. New this year will be Frontier Town, a replica of an Old West town with such western events as gunfights.

Admission is \$6.50 for adults and \$3.50 for children 6 to 12. Children 5 and under are admitted free. The fair opens at 10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays and 9 a.m. on weekends. Closing time is 10 p.m. Sundays through Thursdays, and 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

## Movies

FRIDAY SEPT. 18  
"WANTED: DEAD OR ALIVE"

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SAT.-SUN. SEPT. 19-20  
"THE BEDROOM WINDOW"

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Steve Guttenberg and Elizabeth McGovern  
(Suspense, rated R, 114 min.)

WED. SEPT. 23  
"MAKING MR. RIGHT"

Starring  
John Malkovich and Ann Magnuson  
(Fantasy/Comedy, rated PG-13, 99 min.)

FRI. SEPT. 25  
"HARRY AND THE HENDERSONS"

Starring  
John Lithgow and Lainie Kazan  
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for her senior project—P-3

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# NWC Rocketeer

Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California 93555-6001

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## China Lakers celebrate Constitution birthday

### Dedication to ideals in U.S. Constitution urged by Capt. Burt

Calling this a time to rededicate ourselves to the ideals contained in the U.S. Constitution, Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, led China Lakers in celebrating the 200th anniversary of that historic document.

Speaking to employees gathered on the lawn of the NWC Headquarters Building Wednesday morning, Capt. Burt's comments led into remarks from President Ronald Reagan and former Chief Justice Warren Burger, aired live from Washington, D.C.

"I urge you to think back to the precepts of the Constitution... that gave us the rights we still enjoy today," said the Skipper. He noted it was the

Constitution, framed by people such as George Washington, Ben Franklin and James Madison that has allowed this nation to grow and adjust to the times. The flexibility of the document and its ability to stand the test of time means United States citizens have the record for maintaining one form of government under a single, written charter.

The Skipper also noted the presence of state flags from all 50 states, ringing the lawn area. These flags, displayed with the American flag, are, he commented, appropriate symbols of what the Constitution did, pull together states and individuals with diverse interests as a single, unified nation.



**SALUTE THE FLAG**—Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, leads China Lakers in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The Skipper and others joined in repeat-

ing the pledge as President Ronald Reagan led the country with a nation-wide radio and television hookup on Wednesday morning. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady



**GROUND BREAKING**—Ridgecrest leaders and veterans groups joined Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, in a symbolic ground breaking for a POW/MIA Memorial near NWC's main gate. Taking part were: (from left) Tom Rhamey, Com-

mander, American Legion Post Jackie Van Skike, President, Vietnam Veterans of America Mayor Mike Mower; City Administrator Damon Edwards; Capt. Burt and Speed Handeland, Ridgecrest Chamber. (SEE STORY, PAGE 14.)

## Standard Missile deal gains approval here

Improvements to the Standard Missile, under the direction of SEA-6223 from the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) will include a modified Target Detecting Device (TDD) developed at the Naval Weapons Center. This work will include a second source contractor for fabrication of the TDD, Bendix Communications Division of the Allied-Signal Corporation.

Several missile systems are undergoing modification in support of the Standard Missile improvement program, including the ordnance section. The TDD is a major component of the ordnance section. The TDD is designed to detect a target and initiate the warhead at the point where the most damage can be done to the target.

The Naval Weapons Center's Fuze and Sensors Department's Standard Missile Technical Office is the design agent for the TDD and the harness and shroud assemblies. This gave NWC responsibility for design and development of the TDD and selection of a contractor to fabricate it.

In order to strengthen the industrial base, promote competition and assure a high quality product for the Navy, a second source for manufacture of the TDD is being developed in Bendix Communications Division. This capability will complement the work done by Motorola Government Electronics Group for several years.

Under terms of a contract signed at NWC on Aug. 27, Bendix, as the second source contractor, will build 30 Mark 45, Mod 8 TDDs to become a qualified producer. In addition, they will be a co-developer for the Mark 45, Mod 9 TDD.

The contract awarded to Bendix Communications Division, followed evaluation of proposals from three different contractors and was the culmination of more than a year's effort to develop a second source for Standard Missile TDD fabrication. Under this agreement, the contractor will produce the Mark 45, Mod 8 TDDs under a firm, fixed-price contract, while the Mod 9 design work will be (Continued on Page 16)

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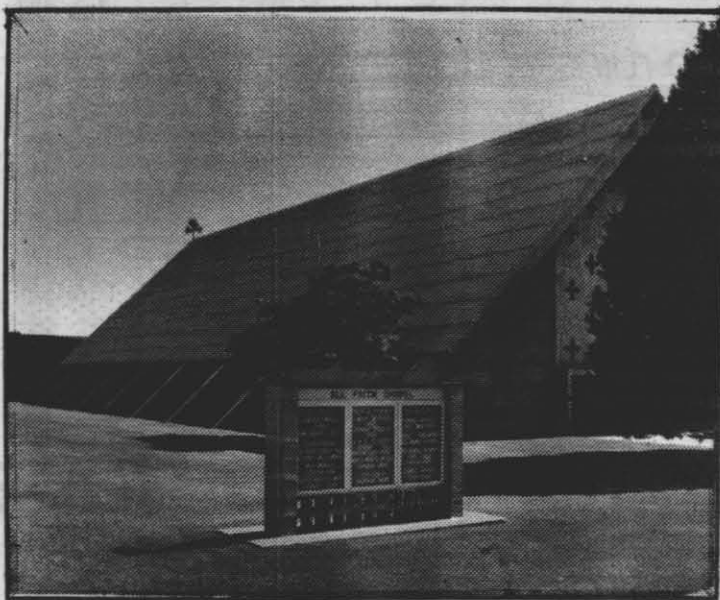
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 Christian Military Fellowship

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## NWC's Wellness Corner

The NWC Wellness Program is getting under way. While the program's specific goals are still being defined, The Heart At Work program, developed by the American Heart Association, will be utilized. The Heart At Work program has five modules: exercise, nutrition, smoking, signals and actions for survival and high blood pressure. Exercise will be the first module to be implemented.

Other topics that could be included in a wellness curriculum are stress management, alcohol and drug use awareness, self responsibility, informed health care, healthy back education and time management.

What is WELLNESS? It is a life style approach to realizing your best potential for well being. It is of feeling good — spiritually, emotionally, and mental and physical well being; being energetic, creative, and active; trim and physically fit; free of minor com-

plaints; don't tire easily, getting adequate rest; ability to concentrate; "look healthy;" able to relax; assertive; free of destructive habits; enjoy work or direction of life; full degree of pleasure in relationships; able to respond to challenges; attuned to the affects of the environment to health and well being; at peace with self; enjoy life, feeling good about self; and able to share and love.

Generally, the goals of a wellness program are to increase the quality of life, to increase to quantity of life and to reduce the medical expenses of the individual and the organization. The long term individual goal is achieving better health rather than avoid disease. The shorter term goals might be to lose weight, decrease blood pressure, change blood profile, and/or begin an exercise regime.

How does all this work? A person wants to become healthier. They have

to be ready for a change in their lifestyle and truly want to make these positive changes. They have to be motivated to change and motivated to keep doing the program for the rest of their lives. The motivation hierarchy goes from the treatment for disease conditions to prevention of disease conditions to the enjoyment of health behaviors. As one starts their new behavior, they need positive, continuous reinforcement followed by intermittent reinforcement. Eventually the person would be weaned from reinforcers and they would be practicing the new behavior for the enjoyment of that behavior.

To assist in keeping the new behavior going for life, one should develop a support group of family, friends and colleagues to help you along. Avoiding disease in itself can be motivational. Perhaps a certain person can be encouraging or a role model. Proclaim your achievements and give yourself positive self talks. Read a book or take a course. Start slowly to minimize failure. Develop short term goals with periodic rewards. To maximize success, establish a specific time period of the day and find a partner. You'll be more likely to adhere to a program if you know someone is waiting for you at that specific time. Make it fun and enjoyable. Consider using inspirational music, pictures, posters, etc. to keep you going.

By reading this article you have taken a step towards wellness. As the NWC program gets under way, keep your eyes on this corner. We have something for you.

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 If you missed Pam Polley's lecture about how to be an Informed Health Care Consumer, you have a second chance. Pam will be speaking again on Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the base theater. Bring your family to this informative talk.

Alcohol abuse accounts for approximately 98,000 deaths annually. This includes cirrhosis and other medical consequences, alcohol-related motor vehicle and non-motor vehicle accidents, and alcohol-related homicides and suicides.

By Betty Miller — Wellness Coordinator

Regarding the DESERT MOTORS USED CARS advertisement that appeared in our September 11, 1987 issue • The '86 F-350 Crew Cab advertised at \$9,999; this was in error - correct price is \$19,999. We apologize for any inconvenience caused our advertiser DESERT MOTORS and our Readers.

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## 365 Yard Sale

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LARGE 2 BEDROOM, \$400 per month. ERA Vaughn Realty, 446-6566

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## 433 Business Prop. For Rent

FOR LEASE SOON. New commercial building, 2100 sq. ft. "Downtown". Call 375-2934 or 375-2045

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## The Skipper Sez...

This response addresses a couple of complaints relative to curtailment of hand-delivery of paychecks and earnings statements and the circumstances resulting from non-receipt of paychecks for July 24 by several employees.

Effective October 1, 1985, the Naval Weapons Center was directed to discontinue hand delivery of paychecks by CNO authority. This resulted in employees having one of two options: electronic transfer of pay to a designated financial institution or receipt by mail at a non-work address. Leave and Earnings Statements can be received by mail only to a non-work address.

On the matter of non-receipt by mail of paychecks for several of our employees for the July 24 payday, we goofed! In this case (which has never happened before — honest!), 22 checks slipped behind the sealing machine and were not discovered until noon on Monday, July 27. Meanwhile, employees in this situation were asked to complete and sign a required form certifying non-receipt or loss of check and authorizing the Disbursing Officer to issue a successor check. Concurrently, we contacted Ridgecrest Postmaster Eli Moreno to see if by chance there were any checks that had not been delivered. Upon discovery of our mistake, we correctly apologized to Eli for any inconvenience the calls and searching caused him and the personnel of the Post Office and individually to personnel who were inconvenienced by our request to certify non-receipt of their check.

We have modified our internal procedures for count and reconciliation of checks and envelopes. We are confident that this situation will not occur again. QUESTION

Civilian employee — Recently my son had a motorcycle accident while riding his dirt bike on NWC property. First of all, I would like to commend NWC employees who went to his assistance so quickly. It is gratifying to know people do care and they will get involved. Certainly their quick action in calling the NWC emergency team and their concern prevented further injuries and did much to reassure this frightened boy.

Secondly, I would like to thank the NWC emergency team and the China Lake Police Department. In the 15 minutes it took me to get across the base to the scene of the accident, they had already performed first aid, stabilized his neck and back, splinted his broken arm and transported him to the local emergency room. They were professional as well as caring. EMT personnel stayed in the emergency room until I arrived and later the China Lake policeman checked on him at the hospital.

Most importantly, I would like to add reinforcement to your policy for proper protective equipment for all motorcyclists riding on NWC property. It is standard policy in our house to wear protective clothing — gloves, boots and a helmet with a face shield. The helmet, face shield and jacket are now trash. Without them, major injuries would certainly have occurred. Again, thank you to all those who helped and please continue to enforce the protective equipment regulation. Thank you. QUESTION

Active Duty Military — I am calling the hot line as a spokesperson for military members currently using the child care facilities. I have hopes of rectifying a situation at the base child care facility, where my children are enrolled. As the situation now stands, when I go on vacation for one or two weeks and take my children with me, I must pay for those weeks we are gone on vacation or I cannot put my children back into the facility when we return. As a military member utilizing the child care center, I don't feel it is justifiable to pay for services not used. I have read the OPNAVINST 1700.9A and the Naval Weapons Center Instruction 4069.2 and there is nothing in these instructions directing the child care center to charge for services not rendered except for holidays and illness. Thank you very much. ANSWER

The child care fees, like all of the fees and charges established for programs in the Recreational Services Department, are based on funding sources and facilities. The fees and charges are recommended by the Recreational Services Department to Command for approval.

In FY 87 the appropriated fund support was drastically reduced. This reduction affected every area of the Recreational Services Department, including child care. In order to continue this quality program and balance the budget, it was necessary to look at raising fees, cutting all of the "fat" out of the program, and keeping the child care costs to a minimum. The fee structure is based on a 100% capacity, therefore, each child in the program needs to pay all of the time, regardless of their presence.

A study is underway to look into changing the current method of developing charging rates based on less than 100% occupancy rate. The goal is not to increase current rates, but attempt, if at all possible, to reduce child care rates, especially for military personnel.

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. John Burt. 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.



SEM WORK—Gwen Stahl of the Engineering Department's Materials Engineering Branch prepares a test on the scanning electron microscope. The

NWC Junior Professional is being honored by ASM International for a paper she did as a senior at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

## Paper wins ASM award

Gwen L. Stahl, a materials engineer in the Materials Engineering Branch of the Naval Weapons Center's Engineering Department, is the winner of the 1987 International Student Paper Contest sponsored by ASM International.

A 1986 graduate from California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo, with a bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering, Stahl won the award for her senior project at Cal Poly. She noted it began as a project for the Aerospace Corporation while she worked there as a summer employee. Work on this project evolved to the point she was able to use the paper as a senior project and enter it in the international competition.

The paper, "The Influence of Alloy Additions on the Wettability of Graphite by Copper," is being recognized as the best student technical paper in the field of metallurgy, materials science or engineering.

Stahl's abstract of her paper notes it "deals with the fabrication of one type of composite — a metal matrix (in this case copper) reinforced by continuous graphite fiber. It is designed for missile and aerospace applications in the 900-14000 degree range. Among its advantages are its light weight and high stiffness without loss of strength, excellent dimensional stability and thermal conductivity."

An interest in science and chemistry led Stahl to the metallurgical field. She notes the field has a "huge variety of work and application... you never get bored."

As an NWC junior professional, she has completed two tours and recently came back to her home code in the Engineering Department. She said China Lake was a good place to work and live. "It's nice," commented Stahl, "not to worry about traffic jams here." After spending summers in the Los Angeles area, she finds traffic conditions here a real benefit.

Stahl is enthused about the Summer Student Co-Op program in industry. "It's real nice," she noted, "when companies hire summer students and give them something worthwhile to do. It was a wonderful experience."

Chuck Johnson of Code 3624 said he was very pleased to see Stahl honored for this paper. He noted it was always a pleasure to see NWC employees recognized for technical achievements.

The award, which includes a certificate and a check, will be presented to Stahl at the ASM International Awards and Annual Dinner on Oct. 14 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

ASM International, the sponsoring organization, is a not-for-profit technical society dedicated to the advancement of knowledge on engineered and electronic materials. ASM International is one of the leading sources of technical information in the materials field.

## POW/MIAs to be honored

Calling attention to the nearly 2,500 servicemen still missing in southeast Asia, 2,500 black and white balloons will be released from the lawn of the Headquarters Building at 10 a.m. tomorrow. Everyone is invited to attend the ceremony, which is sponsored by Chapter 283 of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

Capt. John Burt, Commander, Naval Weapons Center, will serve as master of ceremonies for the

program, as well as making opening remarks. Keynote speaker for the event will be Col. Ray Merritt, USAF (Ret.), a former prisoner of war in Vietnam.

Other speakers include Camy Soto, a Korean War prisoner, and Frank Varga, a World War II veteran.

The balloons will be released by the families of local men who are currently listed as missing in action in Vietnam.

Parking for the ceremony will be in the parking lot of Michelson Laboratory.

A no-host reception will be held from noon to 3 p.m. at the Enlisted Mess. At this reception, POW/MIA bracelets will be on sale as well as other memorial items, and a model of the POW/MIA memorial under construction locally will be displayed. Donations for that monument can be made at the reception.





## China Lake Police Reports

A cat bit a victim on the right hand. The victim sought help at the Branch Medical Clinic for the bite, and the cat is being quarantined to determine if it is rabid.

When a motorcycle hit the drainage ditch in the desert area by the back gate, the rider received minor injuries. He was transported to the Ridgecrest Community Hospital, treated and released.

Police officers responded on a report of a battery on a person in the

contractors' trailer area. The victim was struck in the face by an individual after a verbal altercation. The suspect was from out of town.

One vehicle, while backing up near Building 12160, struck a second, unattended vehicle. Both vehicles suffered minor damage.

At about 10:30 p.m. Friday a traffic stop was made at the main gate and the driver of the vehicle was found to be under the influence of alcohol. The military member was arrested and

held for five hours before being cited and released.

A driver stopped at Switzer Circle for a light violation was found to be unlicensed. He was cited.

A subject seen staggering at Nimitz Avenue and Kitts Road was found to be sufficiently intoxicated so he was unable to care for his own welfare or safety. He was turned over to the OOD.

At 2 a.m. Sunday police arrested a subject in the area of Lauritsen Road and King Avenue for driving while under the influence of alcohol. The subject was held for five hours and then cited and released.

Police observed a subject in the 700 block on East Inyokern Road, checked him out and discovered that he had no reason to be on board the Center. He was issued a letter of trespass and escorted from NWC lands.

An individual traveling north on Norma failed to stop at Inyokern Road and landed on government

property on the other side during very early morning hours. Police found the car but no driver; the driver had sought medical care for minor injuries.

At Sea Site in Randsburg Wash a vehicle struck a post. Minor damage resulted.

Two separate vehicles had their license plates stolen. One set was taken while the vehicle was in the Site A Capehart housing; actual location of the car during the other theft is unknown.

Unknown persons removed \$100 cash and credit cards from the purse of a victim in Hangar 1.

A burglary report was filed when an unknown person entered an office in Hangar 1 and removed \$180 cash from the victim's pants pockets.

When a driver was stopped for a traffic violation at Nimitz Avenue and Dobb Road, the driver was found to be unlicensed.



## NOTES/ NWC Pages from the Past

International acclaim lay ahead for Thomas H. Moorer when he has valedictorian of his high school class at 15. He had to wait two years before he could enter the Naval Academy in the class of 1933.

A Navy pilot at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, he served in the Pacific with both courage and distinction. When he was assigned to the Naval Ordnance Test Station as a Captain and Experimental Officer in 1950, he was already seen as someone who would rise far in Navy command.

After he left China Lake in 1954,

his rise was meteoric.

Admiral Moorer became the first Navy officer to have commanded both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets and at one time he wore the simultaneous mantle of Commander-in-Chief Atlantic, a tri-service unified command; CINCLANTFLT; and Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic, the top NATO Naval Command.

Admiral Moorer's becoming Chief of Naval Operations was seen as inevitable. He did achieve that post and then went on to become Chairman of the Joint Chiefs in April 1970.

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## Deadline for OCPM long-term training is Oct. 1

Applications are being accepted for the Office of Civilian Personnel Management (OCPM)-sponsored long-term training programs. Long-term training comprises off-center training that extends beyond 120 consecutive days. Funding for these programs may be available from OCPM to cover tuition (when required), travel, per diem, and shipment of household goods. The employee's salary is paid by NWC. All candidates must be full-time, permanent employees possessing a bachelor's degree. (The fellowship for Federal Secretaries does not require a degree.) The following is a brief description of the programs available, for more information contact Bill Betke or Joan Telles, Code 094, NWC ext. 2349. The deadline for applying to any of the programs is Oct. 1.

**FELLOWSHIP FOR FEDERAL SECRETARIES-CONGRESSIONAL CAUCUS FOR WOMEN'S ISSUES** — Location: Washington, D.C.; Duration: 1 year

This program is designed for secretarial personnel whose current or prospective position may require a working knowledge of the operation of Congress. The Congressional Fellow will participate in the compilation and synthesis of legislative bills, reports and all other data and studies for inclusion in the Caucus bulletin, as well as participate in the day-to-day operations of the Caucus.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should be able to communicate orally and in writing, work with others in the office and with external organizations, adapt readily to changing deadlines and priorities, work independently and maintain confidentiality of work and information. Nominees should be in a secretarial position or a position with secretarial-type responsibilities at the GS-7 through GS-9 level.

**THE LEGIS FELLOWS PROGRAM** — Location: Washington, D.C.; Duration: 5-6 months

This program provides a developmental assignment for personnel whose current or prospective positions may require a working knowledge of the operations of Congress. The program combines classroom training with hands-on experience with the staff of a member or committee of Congress. The training will include a briefing session on the operations and organizational structure of Congress, an assignment with a member or committee staff of approximately four months and biweekly meetings during the work assignment on Capitol Hill. For some agency personnel (e.g. SES candidates), the program will provide training essential to their executive development plans.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees must be at the DP-3 level (GS-13 equivalent), or above, and have at least two years of federal service in the executive branch. Other qualifications include a demonstrated flexibility in work habits, the ability to initiate work and to work independently with minimum supervision, direction, or assistance; and an interest in legislative procedures, practices and techniques. Preferred nominees are SES members, SES candidates and other personnel designated for executive development.

**CONGRESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM** — Location: Washington, D.C.; Duration: 9 months

This program involves students in a variety of assignments that will develop their knowledge and understanding of congressional operations. These assignments are full-time positions in offices of members of Congress and staff members of congressional committees. Also included are weekly seminar meetings with leading congressional, governmental and academic figures.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should have at least two years of federal service in the executive branch in a minimum grade of GS-12 (or equivalent). Nominees should be in managerial or executive positions, or have demonstrated potential for high-level management responsibility, and must be willing to work in an unstructured environment with irregular hours of work. Nominees must have an interest in the legislative process and public affairs, must have demonstrated commitment to public service and must show the relevance of congressional experience to their career goals.

**ARMED FORCES STAFF COLLEGE** — Location: Norfolk, Virginia; Duration: 5 months

The course content is extremely broad in nature, focusing on the problems and implications involved in economic, political, technological, administrative and military planning.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Those nominated should be grade GS-12 (or equivalent) or above. Nominees must have demonstrated a potential for higher level responsibilities within the Department of the Navy, a capacity to adjust readily to a variety of substantial fields and a capacity to master complex subject matter quickly.

Nominees must have a TOP SECRET security clearance.

**INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE OF THE ARMED FORCES** — Location: Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.; Duration: 10 months

This program offers senior-level courses and research in mobilization and the management of resources in support of national security. This program prepares you for positions of high responsibility and trust in the Federal Government.

**NATIONAL WAR COLLEGE** — Location: Fort McNair, Washington, D.C.; Duration: 10 months

The National War College conducts a senior-level course of study that prepares selected personnel of U.S. Government departments and agencies for high-level command and staff-policy positions associated with national security strategy formulations and implementation.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should be at the DP-4 level (GS-15 equivalent) or those at the GS-14 equivalent who have demonstrated an exceptionally high potential for advancement.

**U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE** — Location: Newport, Rhode Island; Duration: 10 months

This program covers strategy, management and tactics that form a curriculum directed toward the expansion of logical reasoning capacity and analysis of the elements of choice.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should be at the DP-4 level or above.

**PRESIDENT'S EXECUTIVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM** — Location: Various locations in the private sector; Duration: 1 year

This program offers a developmental assignment in the private sector. Executives participate in a comprehensive education program that is both national and international in scope. The education program involves mandatory attendance at four conferences during the exchange year. Executives take leave without pay from their government jobs and their salaries are paid by their private-sector hosts. Hosts also assume travel and lodging costs incurred by attendees at the conferences. At the end of the exchange year, executives return to their sponsoring federal agencies to positions of comparable or greater responsibility.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should be in the growth period of their careers at the DP-4 or SES levels. Other mandatory characteristics include a high intellectual capacity and a proven record of management abilities and job accomplishments.

**PRINCETON MIDCAREER FELLOWS IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS** — Location: Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton, New Jersey; Duration: 1 academic year

This program helps midcareer officials increase their knowledge in disciplines that relate to their fields. Participants can choose from a variety of courses and seminars.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees should be managers at the DP-3 level and above.

**EDUCATION FOR PUBLIC MANAGEMENT PROGRAM** — Location: Eight universities participate in this program. Location depends on the university offering subjects in the individual's area of interest. Duration: 1 academic year

This program allows for a mixture of courses in the subjects that are of major interest to participants including management, subjects related to the agency mission and personal electives unique to the needs of the individual. Core seminars on issues in public affairs and administration are required. Nominees should have a minimum of five years federal civilian service and be at the DP-3 level or above.

**SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM** — Location: U.S. Department of Commerce, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C.; Duration: 10 months

This program fosters greater awareness of the technical activities and problems existing in other agencies of the government, thereby providing motivation and encouragement for the development of cooperative endeavors and programs. Included are a variety of special events, lectures, seminars, visits, conferences, field trips and interactions with key people from both the private and public sectors.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Nominees come largely from the Department of Commerce, although limited participation from other agencies is welcomed. The program is primarily for scientists, engineers and technologists at the DP-4 level and above.

## Soldering classes scheduled for Nov.

Two 24-hour high-reliability soldering certification courses will be held in November from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. at 543 Graaf Street. The first course will be held from November 3 through 5 and the second course will be held from November 17 through 19.

These courses are for government personnel needing recertification to WS-6536.

The requirements for these courses are (1) previous 40-hour solder certification and (2) a current eye examination.

To be scheduled into a class, contact the Soldering Technology Branch, Code 36814, at 446-5571. Be sure to state the dates of the class being taken.

## CSUN advisor to advise students on Electrical Eng.

Professor Hriber of Cal-State University Northridge (CSUN) will be on-Center September 28 to advise current and prospective students in the external degree programs offered by the school in electrical engineering.

CSUN has external degree programs in electrical engineering, applied mechanics, and mechanical engineering at NWC which lead to a master's degree. CSUN also has an external degree program in electrical engineering which leads to a bachelor's degree.

Those who wish to see Professor Hriber are asked to make an appointment by telephoning Cyndi Jones at NWC ext. 2648.

## Planning seminar set for employees retiring in 5 yrs.

For NWC civilian employees considering retirement within the next five years, a pre-retirement planning seminar will be held November 3-5 (24 hours).

The seminar is designed to provide a wide range of information on such subjects as tax regulations, the retirement systems, Social Security and Medicare, financial planning, health maintenance and various aspects of retirement.

Employees interested in attending this seminar should submit an on-center training request and authorization form via department channels to Code 094 by October 7. Please indicate estimated date of retirement on the training request.

The seminar will be limited to 50 employees and spouses of the enrollees are also encouraged to attend.

For further information call Virginia Spille, NWC ext. 2018 or 2592.

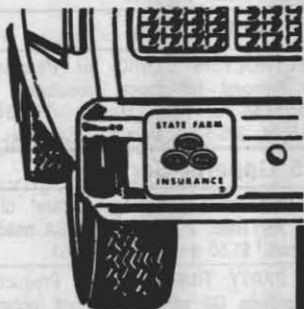
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## New procedures for payment of tutorials in connection with conferences in effect

Current procedure for handling tutorials in connection with conferences is creating much unnecessary confusion and work for the traveler, as well as the staffs of both the Personnel Department and Central Staff. This is due to the current practice of handling the registration process as well as the payment of fees for conferences and tutorials separately.

Effective immediately, Naval Weapons Center employees planning attendance at tutorials in connection with conferences will be responsible for registering themselves for such tutorials along with registering for the

conference. The fees for the tutorials will be included on the travel orders, along with the registration fee for the conference and should be identified under one heading, "conference fees." This will eliminate the necessity for completing and obtaining separate approvals on the "Request, Authorization, Agreement, Certification of Training and Reimbursement," DD Form 1556. A copy of the brochure or other material describing the conference and tutorials should be attached to the travel orders.

Only registration and fees for tutorials in connection with conferences

will be handled in this way. All other off-Center training requests will continue to require submission of the DD Form 1556 via established department channels to the Human Development Division, Code 094, which performs the registration function.

Where the company sponsoring the conference and the tutorials requires advance payment of fees, a travel advance may be obtained, following the same procedure currently in effect for the conference registration fee. (Specify in block 16 of the travel orders the date by which the advance registration fees are needed and submit the travel orders to the Travel Branch, Code 0854, at least six days prior to that date.)

Employees who want attendance at the conference and/or attendance at the tutorial(s) to appear on their training records may submit to the Human Resources Development Division, Code 094, a one-page DD Form 1556 for each event with descriptive brochure attached. The form(s) must be submitted within 15 days of attendance and require no signatures.

Any questions about the new procedures should be directed to Carol Corlett, Code 094, NWC ext. 2675.

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## Oct. 2 deadline for off-Center positions nears!

*October 2 is the deadline to submit applications to be considered for the 1988 NSTEP, NSAP and other off-Center Long Term Assignments.*

Positions that have been advertised in the Sept. 11, Sept. 4 and August 21 issues of the Rocketeer are:

#### NSTEP:

1. Staff Assistant, OUSD (Tactical Warfare Program)
  2. Staff Specialist, OUSD (Tactical Warfare Programs)
  3. Staff Assistant, OP-507
  4. Technology Analyst, OP 098
  5. Assistant Director for Science and Technology, CNO — DP-4 only.
- An additional position is being added. **THIS POSITION HAS NOT BEEN ADVERTISED PREVIOUSLY.** Applications will be taken for an immediate assignment and for the fall of 1988 as R&D Center Representative to SPAWAR-31F.

This is a one-year assignment with the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR-31F) in the Coordinated Warfare Group. The Coordinated Warfare Group is a small organization combining Headquarters and R&D Center personnel which coordinates the technical efforts of R&D Centers and Laboratories. The trainee will assist SPAWAR in modeling and evaluating the multi-warfare performance of Naval battle forces. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of weapons systems, strike and antisurface warfare. Ability to understand and analyze force level issues involving the operations of Navy and Marine Corps battle forces. Ability to work independently across the borders of R&D centers, laboratories, and other commands in coordinating planning, war gaming and analysis. Since this is a training assignment involving pioneer work, the qualifications of applicants will be judged through their resume and an interview on breadth of background and potential to deal with new and unique situations. For information on this assignment contact Mr. Phil Arnold, Code 12.

#### TECHNICAL ADVISORS

1. NSWC, Fallon, Nevada
2. NISC-05
3. NASC-APC-201

#### NSAP

1. Advisor to Commander, 6th Fleet
2. Advisor to Commander, NAF, Pacific.

All of the positions are interdisciplinary (Series 801, 830, 855, 861, 1310 or 1520). Only employees at DP-3 or 4 levels need apply. With the exception of NSAP positions, employees are reassigned at their current level. Interested applicants must submit a complete Std. Form 171 by close of business October 2. Applications must be submitted via the employees department head. Selections for these positions will be made in October to allow planning time for the department and the employee selected. Assignments will start in July, 1988. Point of contact at NWC is Nedra Duyen, NWC ext. 2434.



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## Skipper praises employees who offer MIPIs

Capt. John Burt, Naval Weapons Center Commander, praised efforts by China Lakers to make the Model Installation Program (MIP) really work here through Model Installation Program Initiatives (MIPI). These are ideas from employees on how to make the Center function more efficiently by waiving specific rules, regulations or procedures.

Last week, Capt. Burt presented MIPI coffee mugs to 16 China Lakers

3436 for implementing daily fines on overdue library material and a user fee for civilian library patrons, Steve Bos-

ter of Code 0033 for changes in contracting procedures for publications and printing, Victor Jensen of Code

0833 for a waiver permitting expense transfers between general and administrative cost centers and Glenn Dunn

of Code 2613 for a change in the type of paint used for airfield and road (Continued on Page 15)



**MIPI HONORS**—Capt. John Burt (far right) NWC Commander, and Dave Hamilton, who heads the MIP Office, recognized China Lakers who had submitted Model Installation Program Initiatives. All the employees pictured had MIPIs approved at NWC and forwarded to higher authority for action.

Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

whose MIPIs had been approved at the local level and forwarded for review and approval from higher authority. The Skipper noted NWC had an outstanding approval rate of MIPIs, with more than 90 percent of those sent up the chain of command gaining ultimate approval.

Employees recognized for their efforts at improving efficiency at the Naval Weapons Center included: Deloris Thursby of Code 26 regarding acquisition of office systems furniture, Cheryl Hemmings of Code 09 for cost avoidance in sexual harassment training, Elizabeth Shantler of Code



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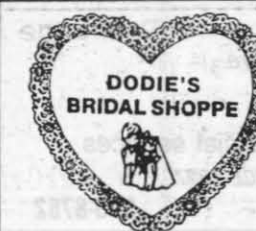
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Those planning to attend are asked to bring their own table service, and folding lounge chairs to sit on.

To help plan for the right amount of food, those planning to attend are asked to telephone Maj. John Frankot, (805) 948-0668, or Col. Lloyd Brubaker, 375-7245. Cost of the dinner will be prorated to the group.



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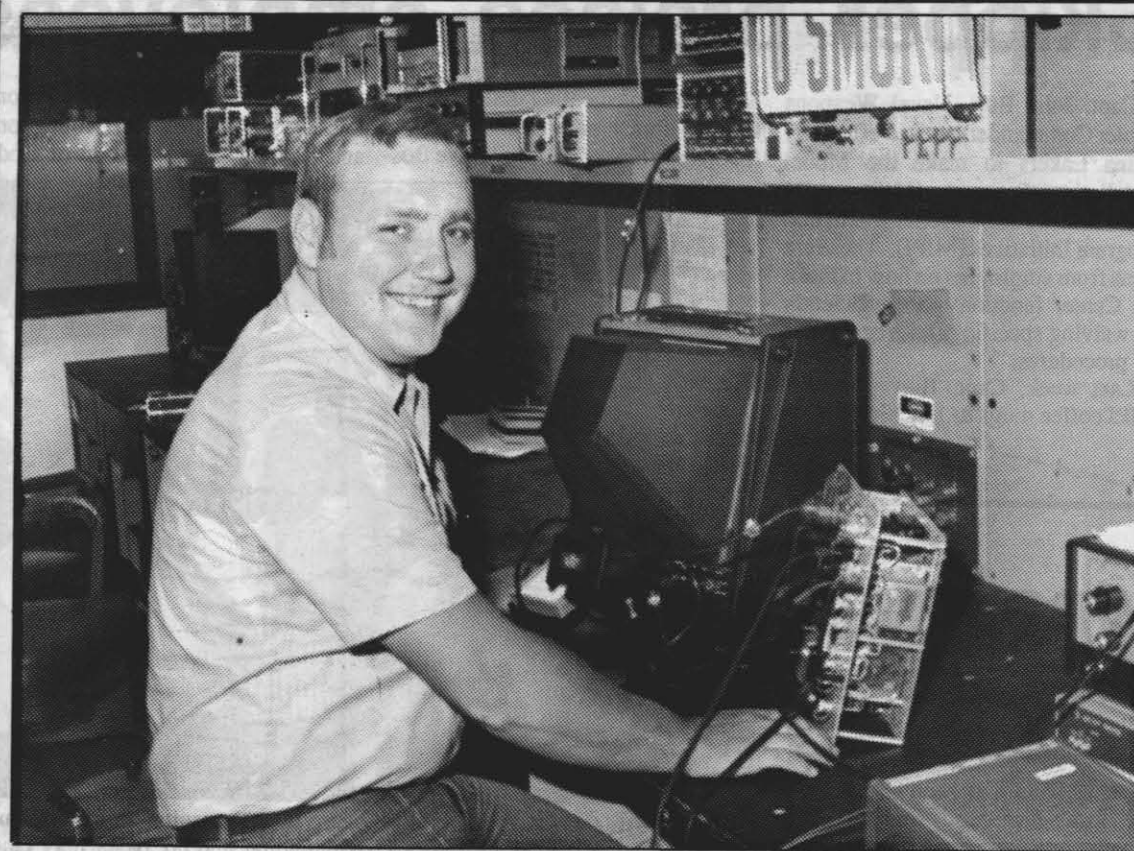
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**ONE MORE TIME—AT3 Peter L. Brown** was assigned to NWC in September, 1984 from Mohawk, New York. AT3 Brown re-enlisted for another three years last month. He works in Code 61's Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department.

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## Improper truck rides are often dangerous

NORFOLK, VA (NNS) — Riding in the back of a truck not equipped for passengers is actually a violation punishable under The Uniform Code of Military Justice. More importantly, it can make missiles of riders.

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(3) **WE'RE ON THE SAME TEAM, REMEMBER?** — Vividly depicts the need for effective communication and teamwork at all levels of an organization (25 minutes).

(4) **THE PURSUIT OF EFFICIENCY** — Designed to provide a stimulus for staff at all levels to think more consciously and constructively about the efficiency of their own work methods, systems, and procedures within the work place (25 minutes).

(5) **THE COUNSEL INTERVIEW** — This program deals with the responsibility of the manager at all levels to maintain standards of performance and behavior within the work group through the counsel or helping interview (15 minutes).

(6) **LISTENING FOR RESULTS** — Involves the "key" points for more effective listening. Reduce distractions, seek underlying attitudes and hidden motivation, give full attention, look for nonverbal clues and use feedback and questions (10 minutes).

(7) **PERSON TO PERSON COMMUNICATION** — Designed to help stimulate thinking on problems of interpersonal communication and to

provide a means for helping people improve their communication skills (13 minutes).

(8) **WHERE ARE YOU? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?** — Designed to help supervisors deal with goal clarification and with issues of progress and quality of performance on the job (23 minutes).

(9) **THANKS A'PLENTY, BOSS** — Covers the rewards or rewarding and the correct way of correcting (24 minutes).

(10) **REMEMBERING NAMES AND FACES** — Based upon recognized memory improvement techniques. Designed to illustrate the importance of name recall and develops several approaches for personal improvement in this area (18 minutes).

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For more information about these tapes, contact the Learning Center at NWC ext. 2451.

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## QA course scheduled in Oct.

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This course is intended for those involved with quality assurance evaluations are determined, planned, and managed. The course will address the relationship of evaluations to contract specifications, current terminology, and the planning and management of quality assurance.

The course objective is to train

employees in contract surveillance representative work so that the Government can receive a full return on its investment in obtaining services under contracts for facility support.

The course will provide an understanding of how quality assurance evaluations are determined, planned, and managed. The course will address the relationship of evaluations to contract specifications, current terminology, and the planning and management of quality assurance.

This is the first course in a two-part program to advise Government employees of the total quality assurance process regarding facility support contracts.

The deadline to apply for this course is October 9. Simply submit a completed DD Form 1556 (off-center training request) through the proper department channels to Code 094 before the deadline. Be sure to allow enough time for the DD Form 1556 to reach Code 094 before Oct. 9.

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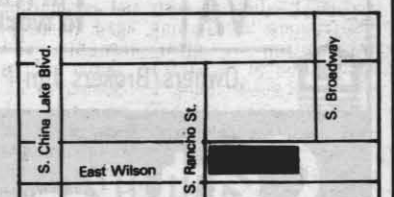


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All applications will be retained in the vacancy announcement file; they will not be returned or filed in official personnel folders. Applications and supplements are accepted at the Reception Desk, Room 100, Personnel Department, 505 Blandy. Ads close at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, one week after the announcement, unless otherwise specified. Applications received after 4:30 p.m. on the closing date will not be considered. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any non-merit reason.

No. 00-011, Clerk-Typist/Public Affairs Clerk, GS-322-4/GS-303-5, Code 0031 - This position is located in the Protocol Office. The office coordinates technical presentations made to distinguished visitors - individuals and groups - military and civilian. It functions as an element of the Public Affairs Office. The incumbent performs a variety of duties in support of the numerous VIP's who come to the Naval Weapons Center, including visitor processing and protocol procedures. Job Relevant Criteria: Skill in person-to-person communications; knowledge of NWC organizational structure; ability to drive an automobile or van. Promotion potential to GS-5.

No. 08-052, Computer Systems Analyst/Specialist/Programmer, DS-334-2/3 (two vacancies), Code 0841 - Incumbent provides support in all areas of data processing within code 08. Analyzes technical computer systems requests and performs feasibility studies. Presents documented study findings, alternative solutions and recommendations. Performs system design, including data gathering and system specifications. Develops application programs, tests, documents plans and implements new applications or conversions to new systems. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to organize large quantities of data; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; ability to deal with technical and functional personnel at all levels; knowledge of computer programs written in COBOL. Promotion potential to DS-3. Status Eligibles may apply.

No. 08-055, Lead Accounting Technician, GS-525-5/6, Code 08621 - This position is located in the Cost Accounting Branch, Accounting Division, Central Staff. Incumbent serves as Lead Accounting Technician in the control and maintenance of cost accounting records and subsidiary ledgers for the Commercial Orders Section. Duties include providing on-the-job training to new employees; maintaining a current knowledge of and answering questions of other employees on procedures, policies, and directives used in the section; reviewing, revising, and updating desk procedures used in the section; reviewing incoming purchase orders and amendments for accuracy and completeness; reconciling subsidiary ledger accounts to GLA accounts, auditing computer reports for accuracy; validating costs and accounting transactions; researching aged financial information to clear accounts; and assumption of supervisory duties in the absence of the Section Head. Incumbent has extensive contact with NWC project, budget, and supply personnel and provides information on various vendor inquiries. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the Integrated Disbursing and Accounting System; knowledge of NAVCOMPT regulations, in particular volumes IV and V; knowledge of NWC Personnel Policies and Procedures; ability to lead/supervise employees in the performance of their duties; ability to communicate effectively, both

orally and in writing; ability to meet deadlines; ability to interpret and apply a body of regulations and procedures under varying conditions; ability to deal effectively with a wide range of people. Promotion potential to GS-6.

No. 08-057, Budget Analyst, DA-560-1/2/3, Codes 0833/0836 - Incumbent provides resource support services to one of NWC's operating departments. Responsible for all phases of budget execution, formulation, control and monitoring of direct, overhead, capital and service center budgets. Responsible for conducting financial analysis. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to gather and analyze raw financial data; ability to prepare clear and concise written and oral communications; ability to deal tactfully and effectively with others. Promotion potential to DP-3. More than one vacancy may be filled by this ad.

No. 09-009, Equal Employment Specialist/Personnel Management Specialist, DA/DP-260/201-3, Code 093 - This position is located in the Equal Employment Opportunity Division which is part of the Civilian Personnel Department. Incumbent manages and administers the Equal Employment Opportunity complaints process; provides advisory and consulting services to managers, supervisors, employees, and their representatives in complaints of discrimination. Prepares all correspondence in the complaints process including settlements, agreements, and proposed disposition letters. Works closely with the Employee Relations office in processing formal cases for hearings. Develops and implements the Naval Weapons Center Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Programs and the Affirmative Action Plan. Incumbent plans, directs, implements, and monitors the Center's Hispanic Employment Program. Actively involved in female and minority recruitment throughout the Southern California area. Develops and manages the Center's Technical Mentor Program. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the laws, regulations, procedures, and policies governing Federal Equal Opportunity; of the rules, regulations, procedures, and policies of the Federal personnel Management system to include appeals, grievances, recruitment, and selections procedures. Skill in presenting technical information in a formal setting, in writing technical reports, briefs, letters, etc. Ability to effectively handle confrontational situations. Promotion Potential to DP-3. Area of consideration is throughout the Federal Service.

No. 24-032, Guard Services TRCO, DA-301-1/2, Code 24102 - This position is located in the Police Division, Safety and Security Department. Incumbent is the Technical Representative Contract Officer (TRCO) for the guard service portion of the consolidated facilities support contract. Incumbent must be able to work in a stressful environment. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to interpret and

implement written instructions; ability to communicate both orally and in writing; knowledge of security and law enforcement regulations and procedures; knowledge of mathematics statistics; knowledge of contracting principles. Position may have promotion potential to the DA-3 level, however, promotion is not guaranteed.

No. 24-033, Clerk-Typist, GS-322-3/4, Code 2433 - This is a part-time position (multiple vacancies) located at the Employee and Visitor Badging Branch of the Security Division. Incumbent performs clerical duties which include processing employee security clearances, finger printing, typing messages and letters, maintaining records, filing and mailing. Incumbent manufactures badges/passes for access to NAVWPNCEN and prepares input for computerized badge listing. Incumbent will be required to greet customers tactfully and courteously. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of NAVWPNCEN badge/pass and appropriate regulations, instructions and directives relating to his/her control is desirable. Promotion potential is to the GS-4 level.

No. 31-063, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (General/ Electronics Engineer/Physicist/Mathematician/Computer Scientist), DP-801/802/1310/1520/1550-3/4, Code 3114 - This position is that of branch head, F/A-18 Facility Branch. Branch develops, maintains, and operates simulation/integration facilities to support the F/A-18 Weapons System Support Activity (WSSA) in the role of technical assistance, requirement definition, system development, weapons system integration, validation hardware engineering, facility software engineering and simulation software. Incumbent provides overall direction, coordination and management of branch activities. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of Weapons Systems Support Activities (WSSAs) mission requirements; knowledge of avionics facilities hardware and software analysis, design, and operations; knowledge of embedded computer applications and productivity enhancements, including hardware and software tools; knowledge of computer systems architecture and application; knowledge of NWC personnel policies procedures; ability to communicate effectively with all levels, both orally and in writing; and ability to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may have to serve a one year probationary period. If filled at the DP-3 level, this position has promotion potential to DP-4, but is not guaranteed.

No. 31-063A, Supervisory Engineering/Electronics Technician, DP-3/4, Code 3114 - This position is that of branch head, F/A-18 Facility Branch. Branch develops, maintains, and operates simulation/integration facilities to support the F/A-18 Weapons System Support Activity (WSSA) in the role of technical assistance, requirement definition, system development, weapons system integration, validation hardware engineering, facility software engineering and simulation software. Incumbent provides overall direction, coordination and management of branch activities. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of Weapons Systems Support Activities (WSSAs) mission requirements; knowledge of avionics facilities hardware and software analysis, design, and operations; knowledge of embedded computer applications and productivity enhancements, including hardware and software tools; knowledge of computer systems architecture and application; knowledge of NWC personnel policies procedures; ability to communicate effectively with all levels, both orally and in writing; and ability to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may have to serve a one year probationary period. If filled at the DP-3 level, this position has promotion potential to DP-4, but is not guaranteed.

No. 36-076, Model Maker, WG-4714-14, Code 3647 - This position is located in the Mechanical Prototype Branch, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. Incumbent involves independent performance of a variety of planning, layout, welding, modifying, fabricating, and assembly of research and development prototype models. Requires ability to establish job requirements and procedures for a variety of trades to follow in completing projects. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of measurement and layout; knowledge of pertinent metals; ability to do the work of the position without more than

normal supervision; ability to do the theoretical, precise, and/or artistic work of more than one trade; ability to use shop drawings; ability to use hand tools for machine shop. Supplemental required and is available in Room 100 of the Personnel Department. Promotion potential WG-15.

No. 065-L-87, Computer Operator, GS-322-6, VX-5 - This position is advertised for NAS, Lemoore, CA. The duty station is VX-5, China Lake, CA. Incumbent provides data processing information to support the management of the squadron activities; operates and generates operating systems; performs hardware and software diagnostic tests and preventive maintenance; allocates work schedules, monitors performance, counsels and trains employees; assists with technical, production and administrative planning. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to operate computer systems; knowledge of automated data processing; ability to follow instructions; ability to deal effectively with others. Status eligibles may apply. To apply, submit a SF-171, Background Survey Questionnaire, and a copy of the most recent performance rating to Civilian Personnel Department, Training Bldg. A (North Entrance), Rm 113, Naval Air Station, Lemoore, CA 93246-5001. This ad closes 2 October 1987.

No. 066-L-87, Supply Clerk, GS-2005-5, VX-5 - This position is advertised for NAS, Lemoore, CA. The duty station is VX-5, China Lake, CA. Incumbent manages and maintains accountability and inventory control of support equipment; reports reportable item transactions; conducts annual physical inventory and submits reports; drafts and submits letters and messages; maintains custody records for on-hand assets; and conducts a daily visual inventory. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of supply inventory control processes; attention to detail; ability to maintain records and files. Status eligibles may apply. To apply, submit a SF-171, Background Survey Questionnaire, and a copy of the most recent performance rating to Civilian Personnel Department, Training Bldg. A (North Entrance), Room 113, Naval Air Station, Lemoore, CA 93246-5001. This ad closes 2 October 1987.

## 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 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.

No. 14-018, Interdisciplinary (Electronics Engineer/Physicist), DP-855/1310-2/3, Code 145A - This position as a Project Engineer is located in the integrated Communications System Project Office. The prime function of this position will be to analyze user requirements, plan, design, specify, and integrated networks with emphasis on networking with the Fiber Optics Trunk System as part of the Centerwide integrated Communications System Program. The incumbent will also analyze technology trends for network systems as it relates to existing and planned

corporate NWC networks. The incumbent will also interface computer networks such as DECNET with fiber optics; networks using protocol standards such as IEEE 802.3, 25; Networks with communication topologies such as Bus, Star, and Ring; and network transmission techniques such as baseband; extensive training will be provided for specialized network system design skills. To apply, submit current SF-171 to John LaMarr, Code 145A, NWC ext. 4678.

## Secretarial opportunities

This column is used to announce secretarial positions for which the duties and job relevant criteria are generally similar. Secretaries serve as the principal clerical and administrative support in the designated organization by coordinating and carrying out such activities. Secretaries perform numerous tasks which may be dissimilar. Positions at lower grades consist primarily of clerical and procedural duties and, as positions increase in grades, administrative functions become predominant. At the higher levels, secretaries apply a considerable knowledge of the organization, its objectives and lines of communication. Depending on grade level, typical secretary duties are implied by the job relevant criteria indicated below.

Applicants will be rated against four or more of the following job relevant criteria: (1) ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; (2) ability to review, track, screen and distribute incoming mail; (3) ability to review outgoing correspondence; (4) ability to compose correspondence and/or prepare non-technical reports; (5) knowledge of filing systems and files management; (6) ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; (7) ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff processes; (8) ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; (9) ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Unless otherwise indicated, applicants for branch secretary will be rated on elements 1/2/3/5/8; division secretary applicants will be rated on elements 1/2/3/4/7/8/9; Program Office secretary applicants will be rated on elements 1/2/3/4/5/8/9; and department secretary applicants will be rated on elements 4/7/8/9. A SUPPLEMENTAL FORM IS REQUIRED AND MAY BE OBTAINED IN ROOM 100 OF THE PERSONNEL BUILDING.

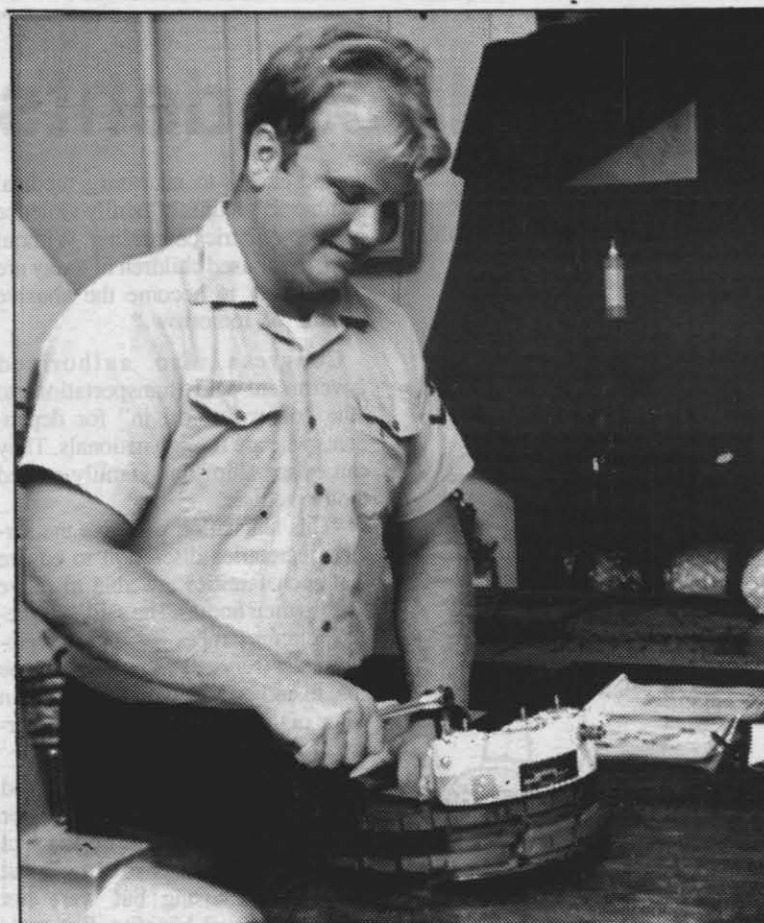
No. 12-010, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5/6, Code 122 - Position provides secretarial support to the Anti-air Warfare Program Office, Weapons Planning Group. Knowledge and working skill on the CPT Phoenix word processor is desirable. Promotion potential to GS-6. Status eligibles may apply. Previous applicants need not apply.

No. 26-052, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5, Code 267 - The incumbent provides clerical support to the division head and his immediate staff of the Service Contracts Management Division, Public Works Department. Knowledge of VAX editing commands is desirable.

No. 26-056, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5, Code 269 - Position provides secretarial support to the Head, Facilities Planning Division.

No. 31-062, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5/6, Code 31D - This position provides secretarial support to the Advanced Systems Project Office. Experience in operation of an IBM Displaywriter, Macintosh Plus or IBM PCXT is preferable. Promotion potential to the GS-6.

No. 31-064, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, Code 3146 - This position provides secretarial and administrative support to the A-6/AH-1 Weapons Integration Branch. Ability to Develop proficiency in the operation of a desktop personal computer is required. Knowledge of a Xerox 860 word processor is desirable. Promotion potential to the GS-5 level.



ANOTHER TOUR-AMH3 Charles R. Paschall after four years in the Navy has extended his Navy enlistment for another three years. Currently he works in the Hydraulic Shop in the AIMD Branch of NWC's Aircraft Department. AMH3 Paschall arrived at NWC in October, 1983 from Waseca, Minnesota. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

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## Service members must file new federal tax withholding forms

All Navy military personnel are required to have submitted revised and up-to-date W-4 or W-4A Federal Income Tax Withholding Forms to the Personnel Services Detachment at China Lake. Any military member who has not already submitted this information may have excess income tax withheld from their paycheck starting Oct. 1.

The deadline for submission of these forms for the next pay period was Tuesday, Sept. 15.

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 made significant changes to the tax law. Many former deductions are no longer authorized and tax rates have changed for individuals. The new tax rates and number of allowances currently claimed may not ensure adequate withholding for 1987 tax liability for individuals who have not filed a W-4 or W-4A since January of this year. If this results in insufficient withholding, the tax payer may face penalty assessments by the Internal Revenue Service.

Service members who have working spouses or expect to itemize their 1987 tax return are likely to be impacted by the change in withholding.

Navy disbursing officers will automatically change the allowance status for all Navy personnel who failed to update the withholding form prior to

Sept. 15. The status will be changed to S1 for single personnel with more than one allowance and to M2 for married personnel claiming two allowances.

## Navy law enforcement pushes seat belt use

Each year thousands of Americans die from diseases whose cure currently eludes us. Strangely enough, one of the top five killers is highway vehicle accidents, which annually account for approximately 45,000 deaths. Studies by the National Safety Council and the U.S. Department of Transportation show that approximately 15,000 lives could be saved annually by safety belt usage.

Most people accept the fact that

wearing safety belts offers protection in an accident, but too few bother to find out exactly how much protection they can expect.

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## Congress provides protection for dependents

Scenario: A stateside-based service member sexually abused his daughter and physically abused his wife. Court-martialed and convicted, he received a prison term and lost all pay and allowances.

His wife and children immediately lost all benefits, including medical and dental care and military housing. They even had to pay for the trip home for themselves, their baggage and household goods.

Stranded! That's what has hap-

pened to many families whose sponsor receives a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge or is confined for more than 30 days.

"In some cases, the service member's punishment caused further difficulties for the family instead of improving conditions," said a congressional lawmaker to whom a military wife had complained about such a situation.

Help is now on the way, not only for victims of abuse, "but for all

dependents whose sponsors are sent to jail and would otherwise leave their families stranded," said a spokesman for the DOD Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee, which oversees travel rules.

Beginning Sept. 1, abused dependents will be eligible for government-paid transportation home and free medical and dental care up to one year after the service member has been discharged or confined. It includes shipment of baggage, household goods, one automobile and medical and dental care for abuse victims.

The abuse-related legislation also includes a provision for travel benefits for stateside-based dependents of service members who are discharged for disciplinary problems.

"This is for anyone whose sponsor is going into confinement for more than 30 days or is dismissed or discharged under other than honorable conditions," the spokesman explained.

"The medical and dental care part of the legislation only applies to abused dependents," said the spokesman. "But they can only receive treatment for an illness, injury or other condition resulting from the abuse. They can be treated in a military hospital or under the CHAMPUS program. Dependents who were not

abused are not authorized medical or dental care."

Congress included a "Military

denied access to necessary medical treatment. Victims of family violence need psychiatric counseling. Without help, the abused children of today are more likely to become the abusive parents of tomorrow."

Congress also authorized government-paid transportation to "the country of origin" for dependents who are foreign nationals. They can also ship one family-owned motor vehicle.

"This legislation will give the service secretaries discretion to ensure that such families are able to move back to their homes," he said. "In special circumstances of family violence, the (service) secretaries will be able to authorize moves to other than home of record if it is in the best interest of the family."

Previously, when a stateside-based service member received an other than honorable discharge or was sent to prison, dependents had to move out of military housing but were not entitled to travel benefits. But sympathetic base commanders could allow the family to remain in quarters a bit longer. The only other recourse for the dependents was to ask the American Red Cross for assistance.

Dependents "deserve the security that if their spouse or parent violates the law, they will not be abandoned by their government in a place far from home," said the lawmaker.



Dependents Protection Provision" in the National Defense Authorization Act of 1987 authorizing government-paid transportation for abused dependents who are stationed on the U.S. mainland. Abused dependents in Hawaii and Alaska are already entitled to these benefits.

Before authorizing the benefit, a lawmaker said: "In addition to loss of income and moving benefits, these victimized dependents currently are

## DOD pushes use of new Ada language

Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger stated earlier this year that a new computer language designed by the Department of Defense would, with few exceptions, be used in every new weapons system.

And On March 30, 1987, Deputy Secretary of Defense William H. Taft IV stressed Weinberger's commitment when he signed directives stating in part, "Ada shall be the single, common, high-order programming language, effective immediately."

"This directive is another step in the long-range goal of establishing one computer language for use by the DOD," said Virginia L. Castor, director of the Ada Joint Program Office. "The directive signed by Secretary Taft is the first concerning Ada and reinforces the strong public and defense commitment to the language."

The directive states Ada must be used in all weapons systems unless they are in full-scale development. Major upgrades will require the use of Ada.

Ada was designed after studies showed that the DOD was using more than 400 different languages to run its computer systems. No single language then in existence was determined to be able to meet the needs of the Defense Department. Ada combines the best features of existing languages with some new additional features specifically designed to meet the requirements of DOD.

Ada is not an acronym. The Ada programming language is named after Ada Lovelace, daughter of poet Lord Byron. She is professed to be the first computer programmer. Legend has it that her interest in programming computers was directly related to her desire to increase her odds of picking the winners at the races.

Even though Ada was developed by DOD, anyone can use the language. But before a company can offer a compiler (a sort of decoder), it must pass 2,500 tests to be sure it conforms to the stringent DOD standards.

"The rise in the number of validated compilers is another indication of the acceptance of Ada as the consummate computer language," said

Castor. "In 1983, there were only three. At the end of June 1987, there were almost 100. And almost all of them were funded by industry, not DOD."

Castor said there are still some areas where Ada has not been used. "Most of these cases involve real-time systems," she said. "Our main thrust now is to work with those components to overcome any barriers they have to the use of Ada."

For a component not to use Ada in a major weapons system, the component head must grant a waiver. Those waivers are subject to review by the undersecretary of defense for acquisition.

Large DOD systems currently using Ada include the Army Command and Control System, the Advance Tactical Fighter and the

Worldwide Military Command and Control Information System.

NATO requires Ada be used in all



of its command and control systems, and several other countries are requesting information on the language.

"Ada has already been endorsed as an international standard by more than 20 countries," said Castor. "On

March 12, 1987, the Central Secretariat of the International Standards Organization announced unanimous approval of the Draft International Standard."

There are validated compilers for use in personal computers, according to Castor. She said the *Ada Information Bulletin Board* is a publicly available source of information on the

Ada language and Ada activities. *Bulletin Board*, which is sponsored by the Ada Joint Program Office, is used to announce current events and general activities and to indicate the status of various compiler efforts. Access to *Bulletin Board* requires a computer terminal and modem. The number is (202)694-0215. User sessions are limited to 30 minutes.

## New locksmiths now hired by Code 2431

Two new locksmiths have been hired by the Physical Security Branch, Code 2431. The back-log of work requests, which require their locksmithing expertise, is now being handled.

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**NEW CONTRACT**—Blaine Manson (seated right) of the NWC Supply Department's Procurement Division and Bob Manner, representing Bendix Communications Division of Allied Signal Corp. sign a contract for fabrication of Standard Missile target detecting devices. Bendix becomes the second source on Standard Missile TDDs. Looking on are officials of Bendix and members of the Standard Missile team responsible for developing the TDD and negotiating the new contract. Photo by Cary Brady

## School safety tips

Summer vacation is over and youngsters in the Indian Wells Valley, including China Lake, are back in school. One major area of back-to-school preparedness often overlooked in this area, and others, is safety!

Larry Druno, safety program manager for DOD Dependent Schools and the National Safety Council's Donna Siegfried have tips for IWV parents and children.

### PARENTS

- If your elementary-age children are going to walk to school or a long distance to the bus stop, go over the safest route with them. The safest, by the way, is not always the shortest.
- Obey signs on where to unload passengers or pickup students after school.
- Put reflective tape on the back of your child's backpack or jacket.

### CHILDREN

- Wear bright colors, especially on cloudy days.
- Be extra careful in boarding and leaving the school bus.
- Never walk behind or beside a school bus; the driver can't see you. If you cross in front of the bus, be sure to be at least five to six feet in front of the bus.
- Try to walk with a group of friends.
- Where there are no sidewalks, walk facing traffic.
- Cross only at intersections. Darting from between parked cars can be a real health hazard.
- Bike riders should try to avoid busy streets and use bike paths. Ride with, not against traffic. Ride single file and obey traffic rules.

Safety, they note, is not something that should be overlooked with the start of a new school year.

## Standard. . . Bargains at NEX

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done as a cost reimbursement effort. Representing NWC in this procurement effort were Noel Gravelle, John Smith, Ken Calderwood, Gerald Alger and Carol Baker of the Standard Missile Technical Office (Code 33303), Blaine Manson, contracting officer from Code 25A1 and contract negotiators Ellen Klotz and Maureen Mueller.

Members of the team praised the excellent support this effort received from the Center's technical staff during evaluations and negotiations.

From September 22 to 30 the Navy Exchange will hold their Home Entertainment sale. Be sure to come in and check out the terrific savings! With Christmas just around the corner, take advantage of the bargains at the Toyland Grand Opening still going on at the Exchange.

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available at the Exchange.

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## IEEE meets

Jim Clark, a software consultant in the Software Services group at Digital Equipment Corporation, will discuss networks with PCs at next Tuesday's lunch meeting of the China Lake Computer Society of the IEEE. The meeting, open to all who are interested, will be held at the Drydock Room of the Enlisted Mess from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Clark will talk about practical uses of a network and how to interface for a need. Use of software to make a network usable will be a key subject for interactive discussion.

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**SOCCER SKILLS**—Youngsters planning to play in the NWC Youth Soccer League this fall took part in skills assessment sessions last week. This soccer hopeful gave the ball a healthy whack. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

## OTHTC sponsors Fairgrounds run

Tomorrow morning, runners from the Over-The-Hill Track Club will host the club's annual fairgrounds four-mile run. The race starts at 8 a.m. with registration beginning 40 minutes before the starting time at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds.

All runners and joggers are invited to participate. There is a \$2 entry fee for OTHTC members and \$3 fee for non-members. Age group awards will be presented in men's and women's divisions. This race is run over a flat, mostly paved, two-loop course.



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## Scorps begin fall season

Fall soccer play began last weekend for the Golden Empire Youth Soccer League, including the Scorpions Soccer Club from the Indian Wells Valley. The under-16 team from Ridgecrest split a twin-bill in Bakersfield to begin their fall season.

In their opener, the Scorps domi-

nated the Bakersfield Sonics more than the 2-1 score would indicate. Midfield belonged to the Scorps. This domination led to a pair of goals from Mike Bowen for the victory.

Their second outing of the weekend was less successful, as they were hammered by the Bakersfield

Sting, 3-0. The local team just couldn't get the offense in gear after the opening win.

Tomorrow (Saturday), the Scorps will open their home season with two games against the California Express. The first game kicks off at noon on the Murry Junior High field, followed by a 3 p.m. game at Davidove Field.

## Three players get scoring load as Scorpions coast to victory

Goals from three different players got the Scorpion Soccer Club's under-19 team off to a flying start in the Golden Empire Youth Soccer League (GEYSL) last weekend. The Scorps came back from Bakersfield

with an impressive 3-0 triumph against the Bakersfield Sonics last Saturday.

Coach John Piri noted the winners got goal-scoring performances from Doug Dragovich, Matt Mechtenberg

and Matt Ziegler en route to the easy victory.

Tomorrow the under-19 Scorps return to GEYSL wars when they host the Bakersfield Blues Brothers at 10 a.m. The game is set for Murry Junior High's southwest soccer field.

## Squirrel hunt is underway in mountains

Grey squirrel season is open and hunters are finding lots of the little furry creatures in the Paiutes. After the first day of the season hunters may have a limit of four in possession as well as the four that they shoot each day for a total of eight in possession.

Mountain quail season is also open from Tulare County north inside the national forest boundary. Limits on these are 10, with 10 in possession.

Hunters are really looking forward to the opening of the first deer hunting season of the year in the D-8, D-9 and X-10 areas on Sept. 26.

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## Best nearby fishing found by anglers after goldens

Fishing at Lake Isabella has been slow during the past couple of weeks. A few small catfish are being caught at the south side of the lake and at Camp Nine. Best bait to catch these has been either mackerel or anchovies.

The lake is now receding rapidly. Anglers who wade out in the shallows are doing better than those who are

trying to fish from shore elsewhere.

Trout are still being planted in the Kern River at Hobo, Sandy Flat and by the Johnsondale Bridge. Anglers who enjoy taking these planters are having a fine time catching their limits.

Anglers who don't mind a hike are encouraged to go up to the Golden

Trout area where they can now fish with single hook lures. The goldens, a beautiful fish, can be caught in tributaries of the Kern River, in the Kern in the area behind Templeton Mountain and in the Tunnel Meadows and Templeton Meadows areas. The hike is long, but the results are well worth the effort for those who don't mind trudging several miles.

## Proper nutrition still essential for athletes

Nutrition needs of athletes in junior highs, high schools and colleges should receive extra attention during the next few months as sports activities increase, says Dr. Leon Hebertson, Director of Kern County Public Health Services.

Basically, an athlete should follow the same dietary rules suggested for the general public. About 55 percent of their total calories should come from carbohydrates, preferably complex carbohydrates (starches), which supply most of the extra calories. Overweight athletes should decrease fats, not carbohydrates, in their diets. Athletes do not need an extra amount of proteins.

An athlete's need for water, however, greatly exceeds that of non-athletes. Sedentary individuals may lose a quart of water a day from sweating, but athletes can lose from two to four quarts an hour.

Thirst will not necessarily signal a need for water, so athletes should follow these guidelines: consume two and a half cups of fluid two hours before a sporting event, two cups 10 to 15 minutes before the event, and

small amounts up to one cup at 10 to 15 minute intervals during the event. Additional fluids should be taken afterward to replace fluids lost during competition. Cool water is the best fluid to use.

Dr. Hebertson notes that athletes share similar nutritional problems with the general public including:

- Too many empty calories. Alcoholic beverages and sugar have little nutritional value and are not helpful in building energy or increasing endurance.

- Inappropriate use of supplements. No dosage of any vitamin or mineral will improve athletic performance unless a nutrient deficiency really exists. Performance enhancing values of such supplements as wheat germ, lecithin, honey, gelatin, bee pollen and kelp have yet to be proven to be performance-enhancing.

- Eating disorders. Many athletes, both male and female, use unwise methods of losing weight for competition, including excessive loss of body fluids through vomiting and use of laxatives and diuretics.

## Ski Club wil meet

Skiers and potential skiers are invited to attend the annual China Lake Ski Club membership meeting on Thursday, Sept. 24, at 7 p.m. at John's Pizza on Ridgecrest Boulevard.

Historically, the club has provided economical lodging at Mammoth Lakes at the Cordle Cabin in a friendly and supportive environment. There will also be a dry land ski school and a beginner's weekend at the cabin. Monthly social meetings are held.

Additional information can be obtained by telephoning Tony Walls at 375-3769 or Kerry Lytle at 375-9033.

## Olympic-size crowds goal of police games

Olympic crowds will gather in Bakersfield June 19-27, 1988 when the California Police Olympics will be held there under the joint sponsorship of the Kern County Sheriff's Department and the Bakersfield Police Department.

The California Police Olympics began in 1967; the 7,000 full-time commissioned police officers competing makes this the second largest amateur athletic event in the world. Up to 3,000 volunteers will be needed to host the games, whose events will

be held at various sites in and around Bakersfield.

Attendance for all events is free, but money to stage the events is being raised through sale of T-shirts, baseball caps and lapel pins as well as through sponsorships and donations.

Anyone interested in assisting with the Police Olympics (or in becoming either a donor or a sponsor) is asked to get in touch with Sgt. Glenn Johnson or Sr. Deputy Betty Shaneyfelt at 1430 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 420, Bakersfield, or to telephone (805) 861-2764.

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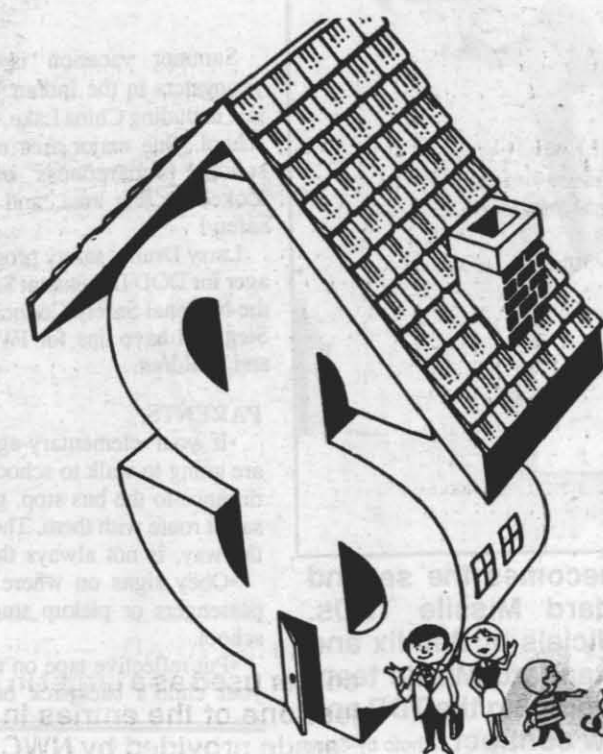
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striping.

Also recognized by Capt. Burt were: Bill Bonner of Code 26C for a waiver on disposition of excess real estate, Dana Hams of Code 26B2 for granting local authority to lease vehicles in excess of 60 days, Cdr. Ken Galer of Code 26A for a waiver granting authority to purchase hand tools other than through GSA sources, John LaMarr of Code 145A for a waiver permitting increased authority to execute communication service authorizations.

Joining in being recognized were: Robert Green of Code 3851 for a waiver ending requirement for recertification of non-availability of government quarters at TAD locations, Sybel Cope of Code 2605 for a MIPI permitting the use of government funds to clean government quarters when occupants move out and to Ron Prusi, Larry DeFluiter, Don Stanton and Dan Crowley, for a waiver modifying the requirement for motorcycle operators to wear personal protective gear.

China Lakers have submitted more than 250 MIPIs since the program began here, and they continue to come in to NWC's MIP Office.

Capt. Burt noted getting the MIPIs approved is not as important as making the effort in the first place, since this shows the employees are concerned about helping the Navy operate as efficiently and as effectively as possible.



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my Daddy will do his best to get the wood to you 'fore it gets winter time. It's just work, work, work, but there's no rest for the wicked! (Member I was drinkin' my Daddy's beer?) I said no rest? Wanna bet? I think this is called sitting down on



the job! Uh, Oh! Caught! I was just playin' boss an' thought I'd have a long lunch! I can do it too!! My Daddy tells everybody at our house I am the boss. HMMMM - I wonder 'actly what he means by that!!?? Gee, I 'member back when

I was just a baby, I sure never 'spected to be sellin' firewood!! (I was goin' be a fairy princess when I grew up!) I'm sure glad I got this job with my Mommy & Daddy 'cuz I like visitin' everyone each week! Take Care, See Ya

Kristie Jean



What no Supervision?? Oh, Daddy took the picture. Silly Me!



## Memorial now underway

### Groundbreaking ceremony held

Community and veteran's groups joined Capt. John Burt, Naval Weapons Center Commander, in a symbolic ground breaking ceremony for a Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) memorial near the NWC main gate. A model of the proposed memorial and an artists' sketch of what the final setting would be were also unveiled at the Wednesday morning ceremony.

Capt. Burt, principal speaker at the event, called on residents of the Indian Wells Valley to remember the sacrifices the men and women have made in all the wars this nation has fought.

This is not, stressed the Skipper, a memorial to or for the Naval Wea-

pons Center. It is not a memorial to or for Vietnam-era veterans. It is, however, a memorial to all military personnel who served their country and whose final fate remains unknown. "It is important that we remember the sacrifices they have made for us," said Capt. Burt.

"It is very fitting this year that POW/MIA Week is being observed the same time as we have a Celebration of Citizenship to honor the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution," he added.

Talking of the Constitution, Capt. Burt said there is no other country in the world that "provides, (guarantees) the rights to citizens that we do under our Constitution." He also noted that

government and the people have weathered a series of crises with the Constitution and our system still remains intact.

To assist with the POW/MIA Memorial, the NWC fences will be rearranged to allow full public access to the site. The design creates a public setting for the memorial, right next to the Center's main gate, but also allows private moments for individuals when they visit the memorial. Capt. Burt said it was an excellent design that would be a lasting tribute to all POWs and MIAs.



**QH-50 IN PARADE** — This QH-50, a remote control helicopter used as a target in weapons testing at NWC, was just one of the entries in the 1987 Desert Empire Fair Parade provided by NWC. Other entries were provided by NWC's Recreational Services Department, Safety and Security Department, and, of course, NWC's Color Guard.

### New exhibit

Agriculture and the role it plays in Kern County will be featured in a new exhibit at the Kern County Museum in Bakersfield. The exhibit, "Roots: A History of Agriculture in Kern County," opens tomorrow (Saturday) at the museum.

This display is part of an effort to illustrate the process and significance of Kern's agriculture. It will interpret the history of Kern County farming from the 1700s, when the Spanish began to teach California Indians, to the present state of agri-business in the county. For more information about the museum and this new exhibit, call the Kern County Museum at 861-2132.

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## Anglers ready for final weekend of summer

Tomorrow (Saturday) marks the start of the final weekend of summer. Autumn officially arrives next Tuesday. Summer fun is already giving ground to fall activities; there are fewer people water skiing and more getting their snow skis in shape for the Sierra slopes. The general trout season ends in about a month, so anglers have to make the best of short days and cooler weather while they can.

The cooling trend is helping fishing in the Sierra and is easing, ever so slightly, the severe fire danger in the region. Nonetheless, anglers, hunters and hikers are urged, by California Department of Forestry and Inyo National Forest officials to obey fire restrictions in the forests.

Fishing is fair to good in most roadside lakes and streams between Lone Pine and Bridgeport according to the weekly fishing report compiled by the Bishop Chamber of Commerce.

Lone Pine area fishing is good for brook trout and planted rainbow trout, with worms the most effective bait. Most Inyo County waters have been planted at least once since the hectic Labor Day weekend.

Big Pine, Pine and Rock Creeks are good for rainbows and brookies for anglers using worms and marshmallows.

In the Bishop area, all lakes and streams are giving up good numbers of pan-sized rainbows. Lake Sabrina and South Lake are good for shore fishing and trolling, good for 13-14 inch rainbows. Larger fish can be landed at the inlet areas.

Intake Two and North Lake have good pan-sized fish for anglers using the bubble/fly combo or floating cheese bait.

Don't bother with Pleasant Valley Reservoir except early in the morning or evenings. Some good-size browns and goldens have been taken from area lakes.

An unusual catch came from a southern California resident who landed a 4 pound, 12 ounce native



rainbow/golden cross. Capt. Brown of the Fish and Game Department verified the catch at Royce Lakes.

## Forests reopen to visitors

Recreation in the Sequoia and Inyo National Forests is returning to normal thanks to a reduction in fire hazards. The concern for the critical fire danger in the forests has eased

with cooler weather and control of fires set late last month by lightning strikes.

Fire danger remains high in the area and Stage II fire restrictions still

apply in much of the forest. Also, some areas of the Hume Lake Ranger District on the Sequoia Forest remain closed to the public because of fire hazards and a lack of personnel to handle emergencies that might arise.

### Bike club seeks members

Bicyclists (from novice to expert) who would be interested in joining a Ridgecrest Cycling Club are invited to attend a meeting for the formation of such an organization. The meeting will be held at John's Pizza Parlor on Ridgecrest Boulevard at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23.

Tom and Marlee Sondegroth will show slides of their recent Los Angeles to Mono Lake ride.

Further information can be obtained by telephoning Joe at 375-0325; Tom or Marlee, 375-4580; or by contacting T. J. Frisbee's.

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# Little remains of town of Ballarat

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loway), a stage and Wells Fargo station, a dozen saloons and two stores, a one-room school and, of course, that essential for all Western mining towns, a jail.

The mines were not at Ballarat itself, but were in the Panamint Mountains at whose feet in the

remained for some years even though they had just a few ground squirrels, lizards, snakes and birds for company. "Seldom

who have broadcast from Ballarat here in the California desert to the mining community of Ballarat in Australia.



**PLAYGROUND FOR GHOSTS** — Only the sound of the wind is now heard amidst the ruins of what was once a bustling mining town.

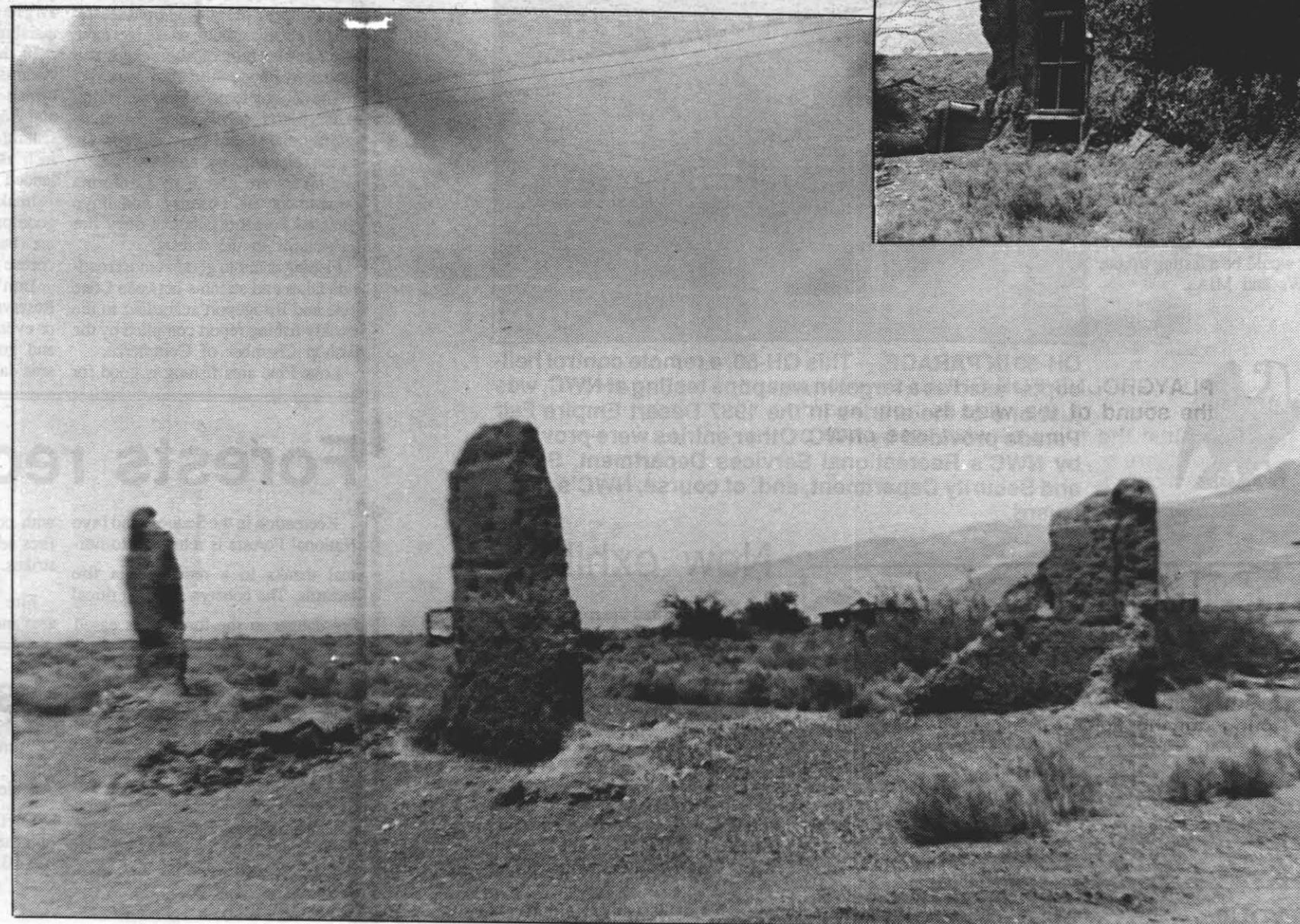
Panamint Valley the cross-roads community developed. Over 200 miners worked at the Ratcliff mine in Pleasant Canyon as late as 1905; other mines in the area also employed miners to bring out the rich ore.

As the various mines played out, residents moved away.

What brought the final demise to Ballarat as a

community was the automobile and better roads, making possible settlements a little further from the mines but in more pleasant surroundings than the extreme summer heat found on the floor of the Panamint Valley and having, in winter, to live with the icy blasts whistling down Pleasant Canyon.

A few old-timers



**LONELY SENTINELS** — Only the corners of an adobe dwelling remain, but the cabin built of rock has held up better. Pictures and story by Mickey Strang

Seen Slim," the most famous of the residents of Ballarat died nearly two decades ago; his demise was reported on national television.

The town was declared a State Historical Site and dedicated as such on Dec. 3, 1949. It has been used as a base for ham radio operators

Ballarat is about 22 miles north of Trona on the Panamint Valley road that leads to Wildrose Canyon and Death Valley. A clearly marked sign at the intersection shows where the turn-off to Ballarat can be found; the ruins of the little community can be found several miles down this dirt road. There are no facilities normally available now at Ballarat.



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