

Howser to speak

"Good TV: Is It Possible? What Can We Do To Make It Happen?" will be presented to members and guests of the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess at



Weather Report

	Max	Min	Peak Gusts
Thurs.	55	28	15 knots
Fri.	58	25	06 knots
Sat.	60	23	07 knots
Sun.	65	25	11 knots
Mon.	65	26	05 knots
Tues.	66	25	04 knots
Wed.	63	38	06 knots

All measurements are made at Armitage Airfield.

their Tuesday, Feb. 9 meeting. Guest speaker for the event is Huell Howser, sole host of KCET-TV's (Channel 28) popular *Videolog* series.

Howser travels all over Southern California to film his program about unique people, places and events.

Since the program is expected to be of widespread interest, husbands of WACOM members are encouraged to attend.

The event will begin with a social hour at 11 a.m. at the COM, followed by an Italian lunch of cannoli, Italian salad, Italian bread and spumoni to be served at 11:30. The program will begin at 12:30.

Reservations are required and must be made by February 4. They can be made by telephoning either Pat Hazen at 375-9376 or Elaine Jenne at 377-5229.

Community Events

Since Monday (Feb. 1) will be the last meeting of the China Lake Branch of the Fleet Reserve Association before the South West Regional Mid-Year Conference at Victorville on Feb. 14, all members are asked to attend for final planning for the conference. The local meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Chief Petty Officer's Mess.

All ladies eligible for membership in the Ladies Auxiliary, Fleet Reserve Association are asked to meet at the same time and place as the branch. Unless more participation is shown by ladies than at past meetings, attempts at re-organization will cease and the matter will be dropped.

David Rosenthal, who has just returned from Australia, will report to members and guests of the China Lake Astronomical Society about his trip at next Monday's meeting. The meeting will be held at the Kern County Library, 131 E. Las Flores in Ridgecrest, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Rosenthal will discuss his interview with comet hunter William Bradford in Australia, and will show slides of visits to observatories and of the night sky in the southern hemisphere.

Also included in the meeting will be a 30-minute videotape of a PBS program on space art.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Movies

FRI., SAT.	JAN. 29, 30
"MONSTER SQUAD"	
Starring	
Andre Gower and Robbie Tiger	
(Comedy-Horror, rated PG-13, 82 min.)	
SUN.	JAN. 31
"SLEEPING BEAUTY"	
(Animated, rated G, 75 min.)	
WED.	FEB. 3
"JAWS—THE REVENGE"	
Starring	
Michael Caine and Lance Guest	
(Action Adventure, rated PG-13, 90 min.)	
FRI.	FEB. 5
"NADINE"	
Starring	
Kim Basinger and Jeff Bridges	
(Comedy, rated PG, 83 min.)	

Starting Times: Matinee / 2 pm Evening / 7 pm

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NWC Rocketeer

Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California 93555-6001

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TD Award honor belongs to Norm Woodall

Continued outstanding achievement as the leader of the Naval Weapons Center's Outer Air Battle / Advanced Air-to-Air Missile Program brought special recognition to

Norman Woodall recently. These efforts earned him the Technical Director's Award.

The nomination letter from Dillard Bullard, head, Weapons Department,

noted Woodall, "since September 1983 when he assumed duties of head, Outer Air Battle (OAB) Program Office, until the present he has been a vital shaper of the Navy's

efforts in initiating a new start in an Advanced Air-to-Air Missile (AAAM) for the OAB."

Gerry Schiefer, NWC's Technical Director, told Woodall he was being

rewarded for some "really good work." Schiefer also described Woodall's actions during his China Lake career as "exemplary."

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CONGRATULATIONS—Norm Woodall (left) receives congratulations and more from Gerry Schiefer, NWC Technical Director, for work that brought him the Technical Director's Award early this year. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

Geothermal: Commission verdict clears way for Coso development

California Energy Commission (CEC) Chairman Charles R. Imbrecht and Commissioner Richard Bilas announced an amicable resolution had been reached between the CEC and the California Energy Company Inc. over appropriate state licensing concerning power-producing projects in the Coso geothermal area. (The California Energy Company Inc., as China Lake Joint Venture, holds a contract with the Navy for such power development.)

The announcement was made during a joint press conference held at NWC January 21.

Key points in the proposed agreement include that the CEC will

assume jurisdiction over the Navy 1 Project, an 80-megawatt geothermal power plant already under construction, but will make abbreviated findings so that the project will not be delayed.

The California Energy Company Inc. will file a small power plant exemption with the Energy Commission for its Navy 2 Project, the second 80-megawatt geothermal power plant at China Lake. Construction on the facility, which has not yet begun, can continue during proceedings.

The proposed California Energy Company Inc. plants on Bureau of Land Management property at Coso will not fall under CEC jurisdiction

because of the small size of the plants and the distance between these.

The Energy Commission will begin the necessary proceedings at its regularly scheduled business meeting on Feb. 3 in Sacramento.

Imbrecht pointed out that the delay over reaching a solution to appropriate licensing resulted from the need to consider the effect that any proposed solution might also apply to a wide range of other projects throughout the state.

Conducting the press conference was Assemblyman Phil Wyman, who, along with State Senator Don

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April 16 marks the first appearance by the Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy's Flight Demonstration Team at the Naval Weapons Center flying F/A-18 Hornets. The Blues will highlight a two-hour airshow that includes demonstrations by aircraft from Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5).

Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, and Gerald Schiefer, Technical Director, have extended an invitation to residents of neighboring counties to attend the airshow and join in the celebration of Naval aviation.

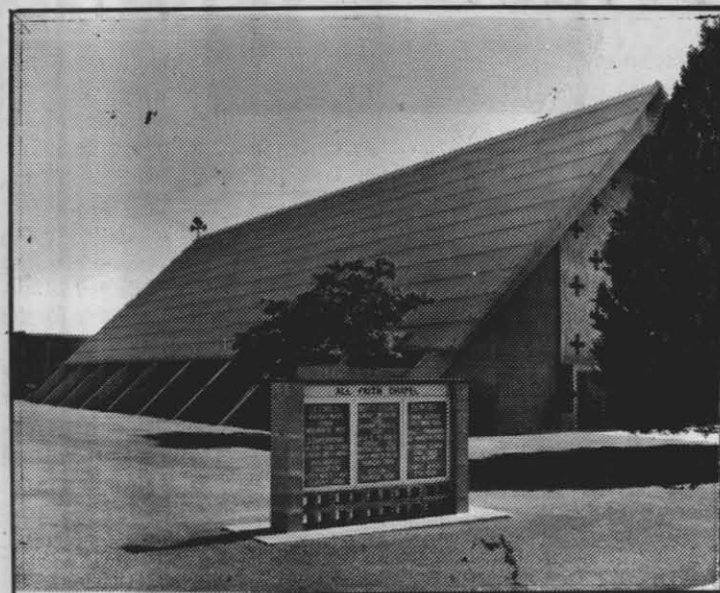
Gates to NWC will swing open at 10 a.m. to allow visitors the opportunity to view a wide variety of static displays at Armitage Field before the airshow gets underway at 1 p.m.

In 1987 the Blue Angels switched from flying the venerable A-4 Skyhawk to the F/A-18, the Navy's newest tactical aircraft. They last appeared at China Lake in 1986, performing in the Skyhawks.

While the maneuvers the six pilots make during their demonstration look dangerous, they are, in reality, the same maneuvers taught all Naval aviators. The Blues bring them down to eye level and do them with a flight of six Hornets. The secret of the aerial grace thousands of people will see on April 16 is practice, teamwork, more practice, coordination, still more practice and top physical and mental condition, followed by practice once again.



THE BLUES—Last July the Blue Angels brought their F/A-18 Hornets for their first flight into China Lake. The flight demonstration team will return here to highlight an airshow on April 16. TID Photo by Tim Tyson



Divine Services

Protestant	
Sunday Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Sunday School (September thru June)	9:00 a.m.
Bible Study (East Wing)	
Wednesday 11:30 a.m. (September thru June)	
Thursday 6:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast	
7:00 p.m. Officer's Christian Fellowship	
Christian Military Fellowship	
Islamic	
Jumaa Prayer (Friday in Annex 4)	12:00 p.m.
Roman Catholic	
Sunday Mass	9:00 a.m.
Communion Service (Monday)	11:35 a.m.
Daily Mass (Tuesday thru Friday)	11:35 a.m.
Confession (Friday)	4:30-5:00 p.m.
Confession (Sunday)	8:15-8:45 a.m.
Religious Education Classes (Sunday)	10:30 a.m.
(September thru May)	
Jewish	
Weekly Services (Friday - East Wing)	7:30 p.m.
Adult Hebrew Lessons (Saturday in Annex 4)	9:00-10:00 a.m.
Sabbath School (Annex 4)	1:00-4:00 p.m.

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NWC's Wellness Corner

As promised last week, the first week's schedule for the introductory pre-brief for the blood analysis, health risk appraisal questionnaire and physical fitness assessment is ready. The first areas for this testing will be IOB, RCC, and Hanger 3 and the Blue Whale.

After you receive the pre-brief, you may schedule yourself for the blood draw, receive the questionnaire and sign up for the assessment. Everything will be performed on a scheduled basis so be sure to attend one of the briefings.

Feb. 1	8:30 a.m.	IOB Conference Room
Feb. 1	10 a.m.	RCC Conference Room
Feb. 1	1 p.m.	RCC Conference Room
Feb. 1	3 p.m.	Hanger 3 Pilots Lounge
Feb. 2	8 a.m.	Hanger 3 Pilots Lounge
Feb. 2	9 a.m.	Hanger 3 Pilots Lounge
Feb. 2	10:30 a.m.	RCC Conference Room

Feb. 2	1 p.m.	RCC Conference Room
Feb. 2	3 p.m.	Hanger 3 Pilots Lounge
Feb. 3	9 a.m.	Blue Whale Room 223
Feb. 4	9 a.m.	Blue Whale Room 223
Feb. 4	10 a.m.	Blue Whale Room 223
Feb. 4	1 p.m.	EWTES
Feb. 4	2 p.m.	EWTES
Feb. 4	3 p.m.	EWTES

Blood will be drawn at IOB at February 3, RCC on February 4 and the Airfield on February 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

The next locations will be EWTES, Public Works, Main Site and then Michelson Lab. Please be patient as we begin this process. How would you like to schedule 2,000 people? Schedules will be posted so keep your eyes open.

Prayer Breakfast set Porter to speak

Bill Porter, Center Laboratory Director, will talk about "Americans Calling Upon God" at China Lake's celebration of the National Prayer Breakfast on Thursday (Feb. 4).

The breakfast, to which everyone in the Indian Wells Valley is invited, will be held at the Chief Petty Officers' Mess at 6 a.m. Menu for the morning includes scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage, hash browns, biscuits, coffee, orange juice and French toast. Cost of the meal is \$2.50 for enlisted personnel E-1 to E-6, and \$3.75 for everyone else. Ticket sales will end at 4 p.m. Monday.

Tickets can be purchased at the Chaplain's Office, the Maranatha Book Store, and from the Command Master Chief.



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The clinic will be held in Ridgecrest at the Health Department Office, 250 W. Ridgecrest Boulevard, and no advance appointment is necessary.

Shots are \$3 per shot, with a maximum of \$5 per family per visit. Credit cards, insurance forms or large bills will not be honored.

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The Skipper Sez...

QUESTION

Hi, Captain. I'm calling to solicit your support to making the lobby of Lauritsen Lab a non-smoking area. The smoke in this area is, at times, very heavy. The lobby must be used by people entering the lab and thus all people in the lab are exposed. At least in Michelson Lab the main lobby can be avoided by using the north entrance. That's not true of Lauritsen Lab. I have discussed this matter with Dan Butler and Sgt. Hal Stephen numerous times. Hal said that he would call me back, but never did. Dan said he would make all of Lauritsen Lab a non-smoking area, but never has. An air purifier was placed in the lobby some time ago, but it does absolutely no good in this large, uncontrolled area. I think the best answer is to make the lobby a non-smoking area and I would appreciate your help in making this happen. Thank you.

ANSWER

Thank you for your timely suggestion. With due consideration for the health of all users of the Lauritsen Laboratory area, and in keeping with the spirit of the Wellness Program currently underway on Center, NO SMOKING signs will be installed in the lobby of Lauritsen Laboratory by the time you read this.

And furthermore. . .

There have been several *Skipper Sez* questions recently relating to what might be considered traffic courtesy or traffic safety, and in most cases the incidents would also constitute a traffic violation. Because of the recent heightened interest in both traffic safety and traffic courtesy in Southern California, a general response to the issue could be helpful.

A couple of the incidents that have been noted are "failing to signal prior to changing lanes" and in an extreme example "passing two vehicles on a double yellow line at a speed well above the posted limit." While both of these situations constitute a violation of the California Vehicle Code, they also indicate the drivers' total disregard for their own welfare as well as the welfare of their passengers and any other motorists on the road. Whenever any of us get behind the wheel of a car, we are not only responsible for our own safety and the safety of any passengers we are carrying, but we are also responsible for how our actions affect the other motorists we share the road with. We are not alone out there.

In the case of the motorist who failed to signal a lane change, the motorist moved across two traffic lanes on China Lake Boulevard without signaling any intent beforehand. This type of maneuver constitutes an unwarranted intrusion or threat to the other motorists on the road. If this driver were to change lanes rapidly while failing to signal and not notice an approaching motorcyclist, the resulting collision could result in severe injury or death to the motorcyclist. Though this driver may not intend to harm anyone, by signaling beforehand his intent to change lanes, he forewarns the traffic around him. This advance warning to other drivers not only decreases your chances of being in an accident, but it is just plain common courtesy.

In the case involving the driver who passed two vehicles by crossing a double yellow line at above the posted speed limit, this is inexcusable. While the primary traffic enforcement responsibility is in the hands of the China Lake Police Division, citizens may also file complaints on observed violators. To do this, obtain the license plate number of the violation vehicle and, if possible, identification of the vehicle/operator. Remember though, YOU cannot violate the law to accomplish this. Unfortunately, just getting the license plate number is not enough for the China Lake Police Division to issue a citation. Under those circumstances, the officers could only advise the registered owner of the violation involving their vehicle. After obtaining this information, contact the police dispatcher and complete the citizen's traffic complaint form, which is submitted to the state District Attorney's Office for review. You may be called on to testify in court, if the District Attorney should decide to file charges.

With the events that have occurred in the recent past on the Los Angeles area freeways, it makes even more sense to be courteous to your fellow drivers. We may indeed live a number of miles from the area where those incidents have occurred, but remember, most of us do travel into those areas from time to time, and the Indian Wells Valley is as good a place as any to practice common courtesy on the road. If you make a habit of it here, it may save your some trouble here...there...or anywhere.

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.

NCOA provides benefits

Enlisted personnel and the Naval Weapons Center stand to benefit from the growth of the Sidewinder Chapter, Noncommissioned Officers Association at China Lake, according to AS1 Gary Smith, one of the leaders in the fast-growing organization.

The NCOA provides benefits to the community it serves as well as its members. For example, the Special Olympics is an annual NCOA project. Members provide needed labor and organizational support to give handicapped residents of the area an opportunity to compete in the Special Olympics. Smith also pointed out that

all profits from any chapter fund raising activities are earned for community service projects.

Members are offered group insurance, employment assistance and the representation in the halls of government by skilled and congressionally registered lobbyists.

Additionally, scholarships are available to dependents of NCOA members and a resident counselor is in the Indian Wells Valley to assist when needed.

The Sidewinder Chapter meets the second Monday of each month, 7 p.m. in the Chief Petty Officers'

Mess. The area chapter is more than 100 strong and growing.

Dues are \$20 per year. Current military personnel in pay grades E-4 through E-9, along with reservists, retirees and veterans in the same pay grades make up the regular division. There are also associate and veterans divisions and an international auxiliary for individuals not eligible for the regular division.

The NCOA is the largest quasi-military organization in the county and the leading lobbyist with the federal government on behalf of enlisted military personnel and veterans.

TD award given. . .

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Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, also extended his thanks for the accomplishments of Woodall and the AAAM team.

A surprised Woodall told Schiefer, Capt. Burt and other gathered for the presentation that he had enjoyed the work and the challenge.

According to the nomination letter, Woodall was initially the Navy Program Manager for the Advanced Common Intercept Missile Demonstration program. "This technology base program successfully demonstrated many vital technologies necessary for

an advanced long range missile program and was instrumental in establishing the feasibility of commencing a development effort for an AAAM.

"Commencing in August, 1984, Woodall was the technical leader and laboratory point of contact for technical support to the Advanced Anti-Air Working Group. . . Woodall and his team provided a comprehensive air-to-air missile concept with sufficiently detailed supporting tech base that the Secretary of the Navy selected the AAAM as the preferred solution to the OAB," according to Bullard's nomination of Woodall.

Additionally, Woodall has con-

tinued to provide leadership as the AAAM has matured from conceptual development to a formal program of demonstration and validation (D&V). The nomination letter said Woodall's judgement is respected by senior management from the Naval Air Systems Command and his opinions have been solicited on several Center programs by PMA-259.

The letter from Bullard stressed that Woodall is now heavily involved in helping NAVAIR evaluate the best and final offers on the AAAM D&V phase as he continues to provide excellent AAAM program support.

Mead given major award

Highlighting the recent retirement ceremony for Lane Mead, an aerospace engineer in the Advanced Projects Office of the Weapons Department, was presentation of the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Medal.

The award, which is the highest that can be granted by Center Commander Capt. John Burt, recognized Mead's distinguished career and accomplishments for the 28 years that he's served at China Lake.

His contributions during the five years that he has been a project engineer in the Advanced Projects Office will have, according to the letter of nomination written by Dillard Bullard, head of the Weapons Department, a continuing impact for many years to come. These have related to the transition of advanced technology to future weapon systems.

Following service in the Marine Corps during the Korean War, Mead attended Cal Poly, where he received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering before moving to China Lake in 1959.

He then worked on a wide range of projects including Shrike, HARM, and the Agile Air-to-Air missile.

In 1975 Mead became a project engineer in the Harpoon Program Office in the Engineering Department; here he was instrumental in completing the smooth and successful transition of the Harpoon program from the Weapons Department to the Engineering Department. In addition, he is credited with playing a key role

in the successful transition of Harpoon from development to production.

Mead became SEAWARS Project Manager in 1980 in what was then the Parachute Systems Department (Code 64), where he made major con-

tributions resulting in Fleet introduction of the sea water-activated parachute mechanism release system. He then moved to the Weapons Department's Advanced Projects Office in January 1983, where he remained until his retirement.



REWARDING MOMENT - Center Laboratory Director Bill Porter, acting on behalf of Capt. John Burt, presents Lane Mead with the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award as Mead's wife, Alita, looks on. — Photo by Terry Moore

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Concert set Sun.

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The joint display of the arts is highly appropriate for the major work the

orchestra will play, Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*.

The remainder of the concert, which starts at 3 p.m., features Schubert's *Octet in F*.

The art show will be under the direction of Carol Wilsher and Sharri La Pierre. Artists who wish to show their paintings are asked to telephone Ms. Wilsher at 446-2060.

A repeat winner

Once again Lois Herrington, who heads the Small Business Program Office at the Naval Weapons Center, has been given a singular honor by her peers in the Southern California Small Business Council. As in 1985, she is the winner of the Council's Outstanding Achievement Award for 1987.

"It was really a shock to get this again," commented Herrington. She said it was a real honor to be selected again for this award by a vote of the council members.

The Southern California Council is about 140 strong, comprised of federal agencies and prime contractors serving the government. Representatives from these establishments meet quarterly to insure that small business concerns are given the opportunity to share in federal contracts and in subcontracting.

A full-time small business specialist since 1980, Mrs. Herrington has been with the Naval Weapons Center since 1968. In 1984 she was nominated for the Distinguished Public Service Award for the Los Angeles Federal Executive Board, one of the highlights of her 20 years at China Lake.

Her service to the Council has

included chairing several committees and serving four years as the organization's treasurer. She just started a term as the Council's secretary.

Mrs. Herrington has worked to increase membership in the Council and has supported the overall effort to make small business and minority-owned businesses aware of just how to best do business with the federal government.

An example of the success found by small and minority-owned businesses in dealing with the government has been the Colorado-based Computer Technology Associates (CTA) which has a major contract with NWC. The firm was nominated by NWC and selected by the Department of Defense as the Minority Business Contractor of the Year.

Since its formation in 1967, the Small Business Utilization Council has greatly expanded its services and is active in exchanging information with the Northern California Council and in making contact with the other 12 councils throughout the nation.

The annual award was actually presented to Mrs. Herrington at the December 1987 Council meeting.

Geothermal. . .

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Rogers, has been working to facilitate the agreement.

Center Commander Capt. John Burt told those present that the agreement would ensure more than adequate power for NWC (which uses about 21 megawatts at peak summer operations).

Roy Ashburn, chairman of the Kern County Board of Supervisors,

and Keith Bright and Robert Bremmer from the Inyo County Board of Supervisors also expressed their appreciation for the amicable solution since the construction will bring about 600 jobs to both counties as well as dramatically increasing the tax base for Inyo County.

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To be scheduled into class, contact the Soldering Technology Training, Code 36814, 446-5571.

CSB becomes a university

California State University, Bakersfield, will celebrate its recent designation as a university on Thursday, Feb. 4. Chancellor W. Ann Reynolds and trustees of the California State University System will join CSUB officials at the festivities on-campus as CSB inaugurates the name change.

The program begins at 2 p.m. in the

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Presentation Methods: Hands-on workshop.

Deadline: February 8.
INTRO TO THE MACINTOSH COMPUTER (8 hours)

February 29, 0800-1100, Training Center. By P. Bacziewicz, Code 2202.

Intended Audience: Beginning users of Macintosh computers.

Scope: Topics include introduction, hardware description, desktop, icons, file and disk management, text editing concepts, scrapbook, MacDraft, MacPaint, MacDraw and a class project.

Note: Enrollment restricted to users of currently installed Macintosh computers.

Deadline: February 12.
INTRO TO VAX/VMS FOR BEGINNERS (20 hours)

February 29-March 4, 0800-1130, Training Center. By D. Vaughn, Code 094.

Prerequisite: Some familiarity with computer terminals.

Scope: Topics include logon/logoff the computer, use command line construction, file specifications, phone/mail utilities, wild cards, digital command language (DCL) commands, directory hierarchies, file protection, symbols and logicals and the VAX editor (EDT).

Note: For beginning VAX users who are nonprogrammers. Enrollment preference will be given to users on installed VAX systems.

Presentation Methods: Workshop.

Deadline: February 12.



Pre-retirement planning seminar set for March 8-10

NWC civilian employees considering retirement within the next five years should attend the pre-retirement planning seminar being held March 8 through March 10 (a total of 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 February 12. Estimated date of retirement should be marked on the training request.

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

For further information contact Virginia Spille at NWC ext. 2018 or 2592.

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MIPI: Library ideas forwarded

Efforts by the Naval Weapons Center to generate additional funding for the Center Library through the Model Installation Program have been partially successful thus far.

Model Installation Program Initiatives (MIPIs) to collect fines for overdue materials, to sell withdrawn materials and to impose a civilian employee user's fee were approved by the Center Commander and forwarded to higher authority for action.

MIPI 033-86 requested a waiver of regulations that forbid the sale of outdated and obsolete materials which have been withdrawn from the Naval Weapons Center Library.

NWC sought, and was denied, authority to sell these materials and retain the proceeds as additional revenue with which it could buy additional library materials. The Center noted the existing procedure provided no way to bring any benefit to the local command when obsolete materials were disposed of.

Because such a waiver would require legislative relief by Congress, the waiver was disapproved. The Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Shipbuilding and Logistics) noted the pursuit of such relief could create a backlash from Congress which could endanger present financial flexibility since the General Accounting Office (GAO) and Congress do not look favorably on this kind of alternative funding idea.

The Center did receive partial approval for implementation and collection of fines from library patrons who have overdue materials. The 10 cents-per-day fine is expected to encourage prompt return of library materials and decrease the cost of tracking and recovering overdue books.

However, all proceeds from the system of fines implemented must be deposited in the U.S. Treasury and cannot be retained for local use.

MIPI 048-86 is still pending a decision from the CNO/ASN level. NWC, with the support of the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command, is seeking authority to impose a reasonable user fee for civilian library patrons, with the revenue retained at China Lake to help support library operations and increase service hours.

Continued reductions of Military Support Funding, which includes operations and outdated regulations which no longer reflect the level of Military Support Funds or current financial constraints were reasons given for support of the NWC MIPI by SPAWAR.

Center mail gets meter treatment

Starting Sunday, all outgoing official mail will be metered by the Naval Weapons Center, including mail for all attached activities.

To ensure speeding processing of outgoing mail, be sure that it goes through metering at the Command Mail, Files and Records Branch (Code 0852) located in the Headquarters Building, Room 101. The Post Office will return any unmetered mail to Code 0852 for the required metering and postage.

Codes can continue to send their outgoing official mail by guard mail, or they can deliver it directly to the Command Mail Room.

Official mail may no longer be placed in drop boxes or delivered directly to the U. S. Post Office. Current supplies of envelopes marked with indicia can be used until depleted.

Any questions should be directed to Mary Mullins, head, Code 0852, or Cathey Mattox at NWC ext. 3547 or 3548.

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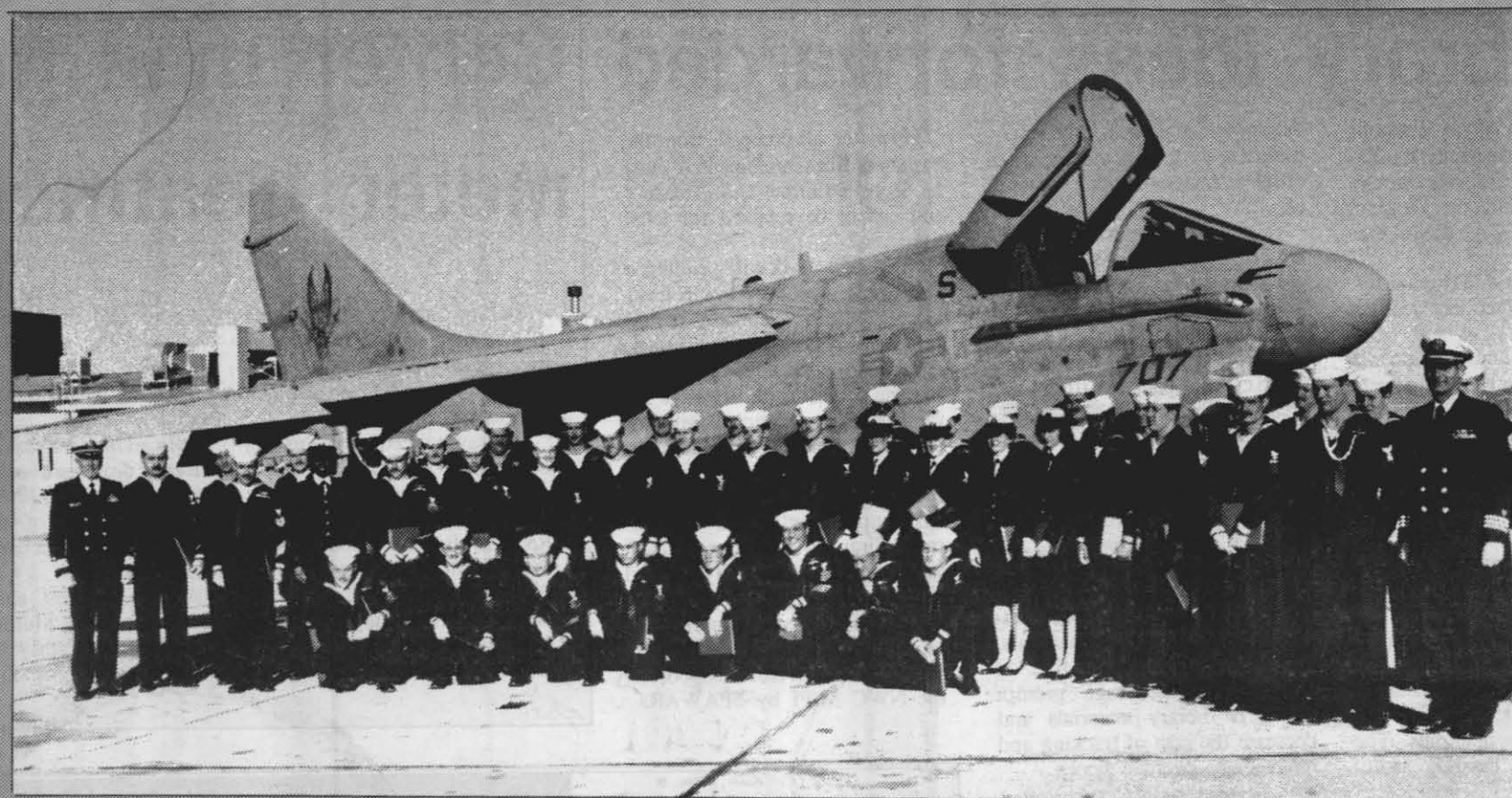
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Navy plans new HIV tests

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Navy people will again be tested for HIV antibodies. All active-duty Navy members were first tested two years ago.

The test is being repeated to track the incidence of AIDS, a disease with many unknown factors, said Naval Medical Command officials. The first

test showed that 2.4 per 1,000 Navy people had been exposed to the AIDS virus.

This year, those who are deployed or who could deploy at short notice will be tested first, followed by:

- Those with orders to deploying units, or shore stations outside the continental United States;

- Doctors, nurses, corpsmen, dentists and dental technicians and others on active duty who provide health care; and
- All remaining Navy people on active duty.

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Applications being accepted

Applications for long-term graduate and undergraduate level training (training off Center for a period of more than 120 consecutive working days) beginning in fall of 1988 are invited from NWC employees. To be eligible for long-term training, interested individuals should be employed at NWC for at least three years at the time studies begin.

Long-term training may be considered to meet any of the following objectives:

1. To update employees' knowledge where several years have passed since they have completed or left academic or in-service training.

2. To give technical employees management skills when job responsibilities have, or will become, managerial.

3. To update employees' knowledge and background in their job specialty.

4. To teach employees aspects of another occupation that relate to their present occupation where responsibilities are interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary.

5. To provide educational opportunities stressing motivation and human relations.

Both graduate and undergraduate programs are supported by NWC.

Long-Term Training Committee (LTTTC) will consider applications in any area of study that relates directly to NWC program requirements. The primary criteria the LTTTC follows in determining when long-term training is used instead of after-hours, part-time or short-term programs are as follows:

1. The new knowledge and skills needed by the employee, either in present or planned career assignments, necessitate a comprehensive, concentrated program of study.

2. The time for gaining new skills and knowledge requires a long-term, full-time accelerated study program.

3. The academic superiority of the school selected shows that it is in the best interest of the government for the employee to attend that school.

4. There is no educational institution or academic program in the local or commuting area for part-time or after-hours training.

Office of Civilian Personnel Management funds cover the trainee's travel allowances to and from the school, tuition and fees required for enrollment and payment for moving the trainee's immediate family and household goods to the school and back to the Center, or payment of a reduced per diem rate depending on which is more cost effective.

The trainee's salary will be paid by NWC. Managing to payroll dollars for the trainee's salary will be paid by Code 0941 during the long-term training assignment.

The following areas of critical need have been established by Center management:

At the graduate level: electrical engineering (particularly systems, microelectronics, radio frequency technology, digital communications, software, electronics, modern controls, radar systems, avionics, analog signal processing and semiconductor); mechanical engineering (analytic mechanics, mechanical design, electro-mechanical); aeronautical engineering; chemistry (advanced analytic techniques, polymer chemistry); physics (particularly optical science, microwave, semiconductors and detonation physics); material science (composites); computer science (in a specialization other than that offered at NWC); reliability engineering; applied mathematics; operations

research analysis; and management information systems.

At the undergraduate level there is a continuing need in the following areas: engineering (particularly electronics); computer scientists (in a specialization other than that offered at NWC); physics; mathematics; acquisition contracting; financial analysis/cost accounting with ADP background; audio visual production; graphic arts design; and occupational safety specialists.

However, programs of study at the undergraduate and graduate level are not limited to these areas.

Requests for extensions of fellowships that have been approved will be considered by the Long-Term Training Committee. Personnel that are eligible at this time for an extension will receive a letter from Code 0941 detailing the appropriate procedures for making this request.

Details of the long-term training program are in NAVWPNCENINST 12310.5M of 12 November 1987, and in the Long-Term Training Handbook (Rev. 1/88). Both sources are available from department offices or from the Academic Fellowships Office in the Training Center.

Completed applications should be brought to the Academic Fellowships Office, Code 0941, Room 212 in the Training Center.

The deadline for submission of applications for programs beginning in fall 1988 is March 4.

For further information call the Training Center at NWC ext. 2349.

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JP guidance testing to start February 25

Providing new professionals with information about themselves that will help them plan their careers at NWC is the purpose of the Junior Professional (JP) Career Guidance and Counseling Program.

The JP Career Guidance and Counseling Program includes eight hours of tests and a feedback session with a professional counselor. Some questions to be answered during this program are:

- Do you now have essentially technical or managerial (or both) capabilities? What are your prospects for future development?
- How can you use your creativity? Should you emphasize research or applications?

- What are your major values and priorities for personal and career development?

- What are your major strengths and weaknesses in dealing with others?
- With what size group would you work best?

- What additional training (technical, academic or other) do you need for further development?

The next testing will be held February 25 and 26, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Training Center. Counseling sessions will be held at a later date. Anyone wishing to be included in the February testing should contact Cyndi Jones, NWC ext. 2648.

•Note: Test results and any related information are kept confidential.

Madrigal to be at NWC on February 25

Dr. Orlando Madrigal of Cal-State University Chico will be on-Center February 25 to advise current and prospective students in the external degree programs offered by the school.

Cal-State University Chico has

external degree programs in computer science which lead to bachelor's and master's degrees. Those who

wish to see Dr. Madrigal are asked to make an appointment by telephoning Cyndi Jones, NWC ext. 2648.

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Promotional opportunities

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HOW TO APPLY: Submit the following: a current application, SF-171 or other Personnel Department pre-approved form; and a copy of your most recent annual performance assessment narrative (note: a copy of your performance plan should be attached if the annual performance narrative description does not clearly state the tasks/duties performed). A supplemental narrative which relates your qualifications to each knowledge, skill or ability (KSA's) as cited in the advertisement is always desirable and may be required if stated in the vacancy announcement. Write the title, series, level (grade), and announcement number on all application materials. Not submitting the annual performance narrative may adversely affect your evaluation scores. Prior to submitting your application, complete Cover Sheet Form 123342, available at the reception desk. Make sure your address, phone number, etc. are current, correct and that all forms are complete and accurate. If information is missing, your qualifications may not be fully and completely rated. Additional information cannot be submitted after the closing date of the announcement. A current date and an original signature in ink on the last page completes the application. Civilian Spousal Program Eligibles must submit a copy of their sponsor's PCS orders with each application.

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

No. 12-002, Facility Management Specialist, DA-1640-2/3, DP-3, Code 121. Incumbent will be responsible for planning and coordinating user requirements for a number of facilities varying in size from minor modifications of existing facilities to significant Military Construction (MILCON) projects for the Center. Incumbent works with architects, engineers, designers and builders to ensure that user requirements are met and projects are kept on schedule. Emphasis of incumbent's work will be to ensure that adequate security standards are followed in construction or modification of the facilities and that physical security standards are maintained in occupied facilities. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to read and understand blueprints; ability to communicate effectively with all levels of personnel; knowledge of building construction techniques; knowledge of TEMPEST standards desirable but not essential; and general knowledge of physical security systems (alarms, locking devices, secure telephones, etc.). Incumbent must be able to obtain a top secret security clearance. Occasional travel required. Promotion.

No. 12-003, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (General/Electronics/Aerospace/Mechanical/Engineer/Physicist/Operations Research Analyst), DP-850/855/861/830/1310/1515-4, Code 1201. This position is that of Associate Department Head of the Weapons Planning Group. The incumbent assists the group Head in directing the Weapons Planning Group's programs involving military operations research analysis, intelligence, war gaming, weapons systems cost analysis, long range planning, and warfare systems architecture engineering. Although the incumbent will be heavily involved in all aspects of the Group's work, he/she will focus on internal management of the Group with emphasis on operations and quality of products. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of naval warfare; knowledge of systems or military operations research analysis; ability to manage/supervise, interpersonal skills, leadership qualities (able to unify, communicate and deal with tough problems); demonstrable commitment to principles of EEO and Affirmative Action programs. Desirable but not absolutely necessary are: experience in strategic planning at laboratory or headquarters level; knowledge of Center programs; knowledge of Weapons Planning Group. Selection may be required to serve a

supervisory/managerial probationary period of one year. Promotion potential: DP-4.

No. 32-279, Physical Scientist, DP-1301-2, Code 32721. This position is located in the Properties Analysis Section, Propellants Branch, Propulsion Systems Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent will perform a variety of tests including stress relaxation tensile, stress vs. strain, vacuum thermal stability, peel and bond strength on propellants, explosives and related material. The incumbent will also cut and prepare explosive and propellant samples, perform aging studies and track the progress of samples and tests through the lab. Incumbent is also responsible for sampling hazardous chemicals for quality control analysis. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of propellant properties; knowledge of chemical laboratory tests and procedures; knowledge of statistical sampling procedures; ability to communicate orally; ability to communicate in writing; knowledge of safety procedures in a hazardous environment. Promotion potential, but not guaranteed, to DP-1301-3.

No. 33-002, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Electronics/Electrical/Mechanical/General Engineer/Physicist), DP-855/850/801/830/1310-3/4, Code 33303. This position is that of Deputy Technical Manager for sensor production, Fuze and Sensors Department. The technical office is the single point of contact for STANDARD Missile Program activities at NWC, as such it is responsible for the management of all STANDARD Missile efforts and activities assigned to the Naval Weapons Center. Current efforts include: the design, development and production support of fuzing systems (proximity sensors, safety-arming devices, missile destruct systems and related components); the technical direction of new rocket motor and motor arming-firing device development; seeker technology development projects; and liaison with other related missile programs at NWC. STANDARD Missile currently has two variants in production and one transitioning to production. The Deputy Technical Manager will be responsible for providing technical support to the sponsor, NAVSEASCOM, and direct Center activities on sensor production programs, a 25-30 million dollar per year effort for the next several years. Technical support that will enable the Mk 45 Mod 5/6 Target Detecting Device (TDD) production line operate efficiently and

produce more than 1000 TDD's per year. A smooth transition of the Mk 45 Mod 8 TDD to production at the TDD prime contractor is essential to the success of STANDARD Missile Low Altitude Improvement Program, and it is a key responsibility of the Deputy Technical Manager. Concurrent with the Mod 8 TDD's transition to production, a second source contractor for the Mod 8 TDD is also being qualified. Establishing the production discipline at both contractors, and creating a cooperative atmosphere between prime and second source contractor will be an exciting management challenge. The person selected for this position will be continuously challenged to provide the management direction that must find practical and cost effective solutions to a myriad of production problems. Solutions that maintain the discipline necessary to produce a high quality and reliable product to the Fleet. Coordinating Center activities with Sponsor, Contractors, and other members of the STANDARD Missile community may require frequent travel. Applicant should be familiar with NWC/DOD acquisition requirements; familiar with NWC/DOD program development guidelines; familiar with work breakdown structure and performance measurement baseline systems. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of guided missile and missile subsystem concepts; knowledge of acquisition/manufacturing process; knowledge of and willingness to implement NWC EEO principles; ability to interface with management at the sponsor, contractors, NWC and other Navy activities; ability to apply engineering and product assurance

disciplines to production and production transition programs; ability to develop program plans/budgets; ability to manage through people. The incumbent may be required to serve a one year supervisory probationary period. Promotion potential is to DP-4 but not guaranteed.

No. 36-101, Supervisory Mechanical Engineering Technician, DT/DP-802-3, Code 3645. This position is located in the Materials Processing and Evaluation Branch, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent is the branch head and supervises the design and development of improvements for subsystems, systems, facilities and equipment. The incumbent plans, coordinates, tests and evaluates work in the area of the structure, properties, processing, testing and application of metals and metallic alloys. The incumbent is involved with the chemical, mechanical and physical properties of metallic materials in engineering design and production. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of testing procedures and techniques in the metallurgy field; knowledge of the properties, characteristics, strengths, weaknesses, etc., of the metals; knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of and willingness to implement NWC EEO principles; ability to communicate with all levels of management, sponsors, technicians, mechanics and engineers. The incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-3. Previous applicants need not apply.

Non-Appropriated Funds

The following vacancies are not Civil Service positions. These positions are paid for from non-appropriated funds and are administered in accordance with policies established by the Department of Defense. Persons selected for these positions have no Civil Service status and are not eligible for appointment to positions in the Civil Service. Persons interested in applying for these positions should fill out a standard application form (SF-171). Applicants need not be presently employed in a Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI) position, nor must they be employed at the Naval Weapons Center. The SF-171 should clearly be marked "NAFI" on the top and should have the appropriate announcement number listed in Block 1 on the form. Completed applications can be delivered to Room 100 or to Room 120 in the Personnel Building or can be mailed to: Naval Weapons Center, Personnel Dept. (Code 096), ATTN: NAFI Service Team, China Lake, CA 93555.

No. 22-8803, Recreation Assistant, PS-0189-6, \$5.65 per hour, Permanent Full-Time plus benefits, Monday-Friday 1200-2100, Code 2226. Incumbent works with and under the direct supervision of the Athletic Director. The incumbent will assist with the organization and administration of adult programs at the Gymnasium Complex, outdoor recreation facilities, tennis courts and intramural/varsity sport programs. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of adult sports programming, recreation/camping gear issue, and aquatics required. Supervisory experience preferred.

No. 22-8804, Golf Pro Shop Manager, UA-0301-6/7, \$16,851 \$18,726 per annum, Permanent Full-Time plus benefits, Thurs-Monday with Tuesday and Wednesday off, Code 2226. Incumbent is responsible for implementing the approved operation of the Golf Course Pro Shop. The Golf Course Pro Shop Manager is under the direct supervision of the Head, Sports Branch. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Expert knowledge of the game of golf. Ability to advise patrons on the selection of golf equipment. Supervisory and retail sales experience preferred.

Secretarial opportunities

This column is used to announce secretary 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. 21-001, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-2, Code 211. Provides secretarial support to the Administrative

Services Division of the Military Administration Department. Promotion potential to DG-2.

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. 14-002, Interdisciplinary (Computer Scientist/Mathematician/Physicist), DP-1550/1510/1310-2/3, Code 145A. This position is located in the Integrated Communications System Projects Office, Code 145A. Are you interested in working on state of the art communication and computer systems? Do you want to work with UNIX? Other highly dedicated and motivated technical personnel? Have plenty of hands-on technical work? Have an impact? If yes, then we have a challenging position for you. It involves analyzing existing and future network management requirements as part of Centerwide voice, video and data communication systems development. Then the design, integration and testing of software

and supporting hardware systems (e.g. VAXs, gateways, bridges) that meet the requirements. You will work with computer to computer networks using communication standards such as the IEEE 802 Series, CCITT X.25, Fiber Distributed Data Interface, SONET and the ISO reference model. And communication topologies such as Buses, Stars, Rings, and Trees. We will even provide training in advanced and specialized network management analysis and design skills. Some travel involved. To apply, send current SF-171 to John LaMarr, Code 145A, or call NWC ext. 4678 for more information.

No. 33-001, Interdisciplinary (Electrical/Electronics Engineer), DP-850/855-2/3, Code 3336. This



TOP SAILOR—HM3 David Finkelstein works on one of the many reports he is responsible for at the NWC Branch Medical Clinic. Petty Officer Finkelstein was named the Clinic's Sailor of the Quarter by Cdr. Dean Hermann, officer-in-charge. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

HM3 Finkelstein has honors from Clinic

Hospital Corpsman Third Class (HM3) David M. Finkelstein was named Sailor of the Quarter at the Branch Medical Clinic by Cdr. Dean Hermann, Officer-in-Charge at the clinic.

The letter of commendation to accompany the honor reads, in part, "as assistant to the Administrative Officer you've excelled in all areas of Medical Administration, and your perseverance and diligence have not gone unnoticed."

Petty Officer Finkelstein also has taken on collateral duty in the audiology office and as a watchstander in urgent care after hours.

The Sailor of the Quarter said he was going to college in Reno, Nevada when he decided to join the Navy. He asked for and got the corpsman rate because of an interest in medical work. Today he says the best part of being a corpsman is the opportunity to work with and help patients. "The patient contact is the most rewarding part of my job," he stressed.

A China Laker for 15 months, HM3 Finkelstein will have been in the Navy for three years this April. He was at the Naval Hospital, San Diego

working in the intensive care wing, prior to being assigned to China Lake.

Petty Officer Finkelstein is a native of Pahrump, Nevada who uses off-duty hours for a number of hobbies. One of his chief interests is cooking. He likes to experiment and has taken a night job as a cook at the NWC Enlisted Mess to gain additional experience in the field.

Cdr. Hermann summed up the qualities that earned Sailor of the Quarter honor for Petty Officer Finkelstein in the letter of commendation, "your work with our monthly reports is without fault, and your willingness to assist others has been an inspiration to us all...you're always able to take that 'extra step' that makes such a critical difference to staff and patient satisfaction."

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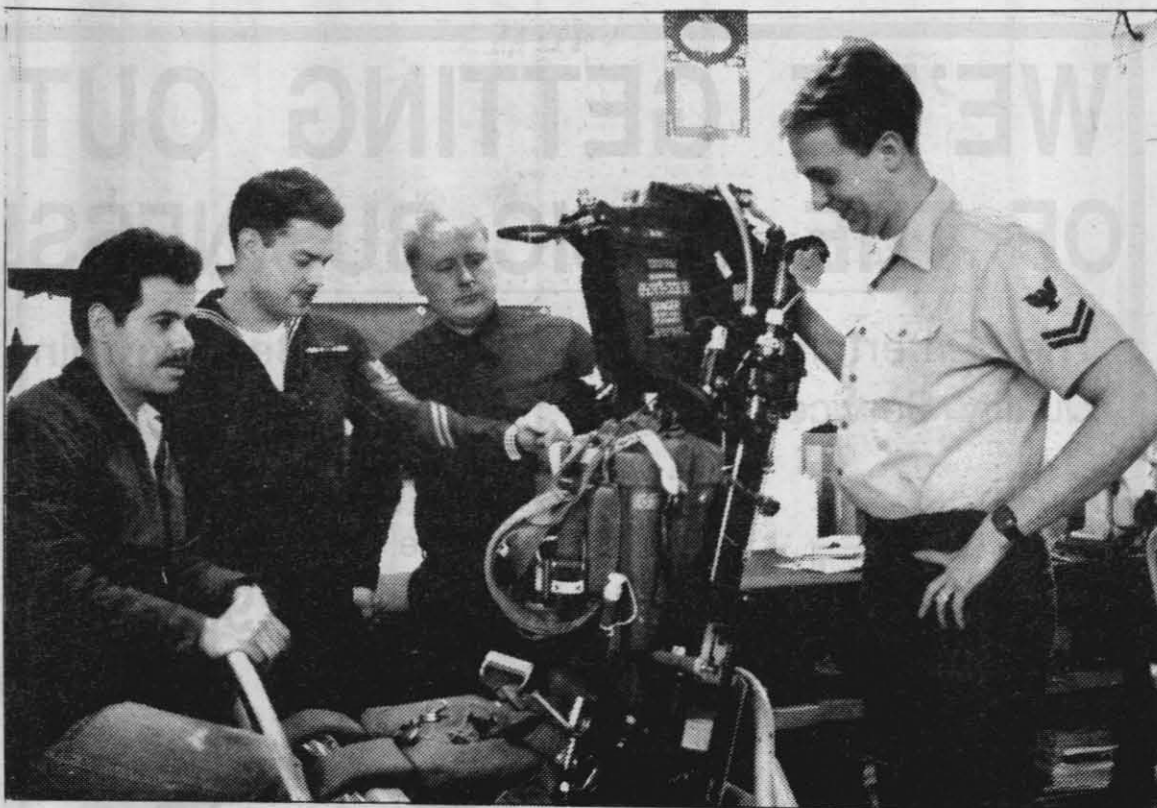
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VX-5 picks Duarte as Sailor of Year

Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5) selected AME1 Manuel Duarte as its Sailor of the Year for 1987. The 10-year Navy veteran was previously honored as the squadron's Supervisor of the Quarter for the third quarter of last year.

Working as the work-center supervisor in VX-5 AME (Aviation Structural Mechanics, Safety Equipment) Shop, Petty Officer Duarte is responsible for the job performance of 19 sailors. He noted personnel in the AME Shop are responsible for the lives of all aircrew members assigned to the squadron because they take care of aircraft egress systems.

In addition, AME personnel train aircrew and anyone else who works or flies in squadron aircraft on proper use of egress systems ranging from complicated ejection seats in an F/A-18 to a canopy cutting device that opens up a helicopter for crew escape.

The personnel maintain and repair 11 different types of the egress systems for fixed and rotary wing aircraft. The squadron has 28 assigned aircraft and 46 aircrew members.

A member of VF-1 at NAS Miramar, San Diego, prior to reporting for duty with the Vampires in August of 1986, Petty Officer Duarte says he found a job he likes in the Navy and has stuck with it. "The Navy gives you travel with pay, an airplane to play with and responsibility I couldn't get

anywhere else," he added.

Airplanes have been an attraction for VX-5's top sailor since his high school days and he still enjoys the challenges the Navy has given him in the past 10 years.

Petty Officer Duarte notes the duty at VX-5 is really different from his last command. The diversity of mission the squadron is asked to accomplish brings with it a diversity of aircraft to work on not found in most fleet squadrons. It makes for a real challenge in the AME Shop according to AME1 Duarte.

Looking ahead, the top VX-5 sailor wants to put on khakis, but knows only the very best become chiefs in the AME rate, so he also has his eyes on the limited duty officer (LDO) commissioning program.

The shop is far from a one-man job. "Without the guys who work for me none of this would be possible," stressed Duarte. He enjoys the responsibility, the work and working with others to accomplish a task for the Navy.

Spare time, when he has any of it, is spent with his wife of 19-months, Kathi, or in many forms of recreation, ranging from painting to target shooting and from ceramics to archery.

AME1 Duarte will be one of seven China Lake sailors competing for the Navy League's Bluejacket of the Year honors on March 19.

SECNAV encourages personnel to vote

Secretary of Navy James Webb recently sent the following All Navy message on voting in 1988:

"The 1988 general election year is upon us. We have a responsibility to all Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families to assist them in every possible way in the voting process. Our goal is to ensure all eligible service members and dependents are informed of the importance of voting, know how to vote and have the opportunity to vote. Every effort should be made to achieve one hundred percent voter registration.

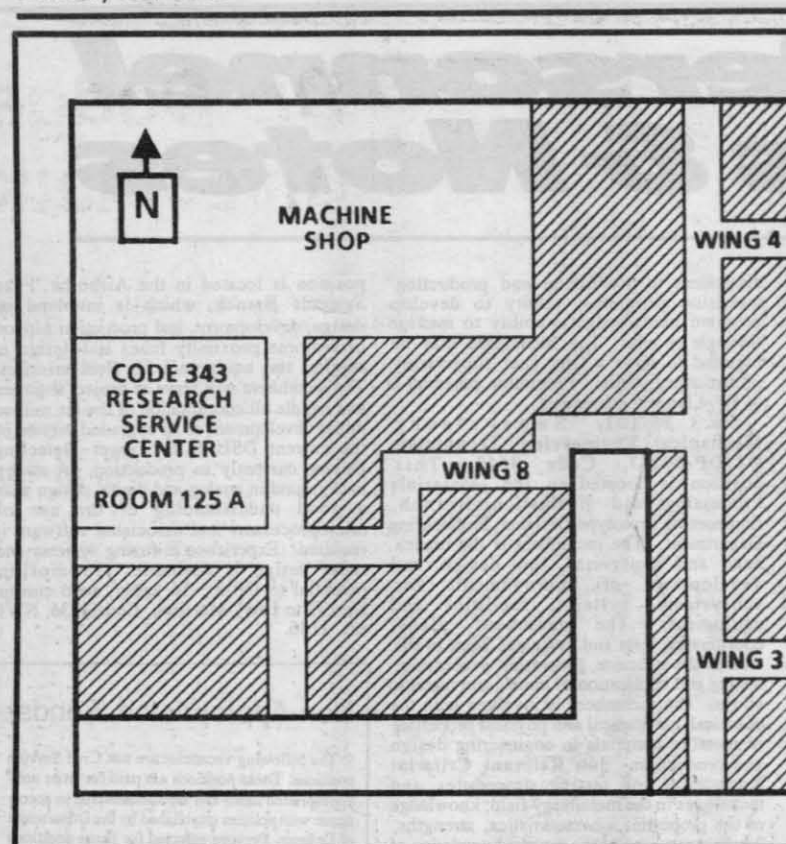
"A federal survey, taken after the 1984 general election, showed that more Navy and Marine Corps personnel voted than ever before, 59.4 percent. While we are proud of the increased voter participation, we still

have serious problems that require our immediate attention. Foremost among them are lack of knowledge about the voting process and lack of motivation to participate. It is in these areas where a Command supported Voter Assistance Program can help the most.

"The majority of Navy and Marine Corps personnel serve outside their home state where the only means available to vote in primary and general elections is by absentee ballot. We must ensure that each man and woman is aware of procedures necessary to obtain and cast a ballot and is given every opportunity to exercise the right to vote. The personal involvement of all hands is critical to the success of the 1988 Voting Program.

Alcohol still big problem

Alcoholism is one of the most serious public health problems in the United States today. Out of 18.3 million adults who consume more than 14 drinks a week, 12.1 have one or more symptoms of alcoholism, an increase of 8.2 percent since 1980.



TECH LIBRARY RESEARCH SERVICE CENTER — The diagram shows the location in Michelson Lab of the Technical Library's Research Service Center. Opened last May for the convenience of Mich Lab users, the Research Service Center contains physics and chemistry reference works, selected journals, the manuals collection, the specifications and standards collection, supplemental distribution, and an archival reports collection. PartsMaster, a convenient CD-ROM tool for locating parts, is also available. Hours of operation for the Service Center are Monday-Friday, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. The library staff invites any employee who hasn't visited this convenient library resource to drop in and take a look at what's available.

Crackdown on injury compensation fraud

A civilian federal employee at the Defense Fuel Supply Center in Alexandria, Va., recently learned the hard way that the Defense Department is serious about cracking down on injury compensation fraud.

After allegedly taking a fall at work in December 1984, she received her full salary for 45 days. After that, she started receiving \$22,981 a year, tax free, in injury compensation. She met regularly with Department of Labor-approved doctors to confirm that her injury still prevented her from returning to work.

What she didn't do — which ultimately led to her conviction for fraud — was report that while receiving federal injury compensation, she was holding down another full-time job.

Paul Rossbach, DOD injury compensation administrator, said this is just one of many cases of injury compensation fraud being uncovered throughout DOD.

Last year, the U.S. government paid more than \$1 billion in injury compensation to civilian workers who were injured on the job. DOD's share of the bill was \$384 million — or more than \$1 million a day.

Some disabled workers suffer from traumatic injuries, usually the result of accidents. Workers with these types of injuries who are unable to return to work receive their full salary for 45 days. This is called the continuation-of-pay period. If their injury continues beyond that, they receive 75 percent of their pay, tax free. If they have no dependents, they receive 66 2/3 percent of their salary after the initial 45 days. Their condition is reviewed periodically to determine when they are fit to return to work. In some cases, they can receive injury compensation for life.

The second type of disabled worker suffers from occupational diseases that evolve over a period of time. Examples of these injuries are asbestosis and hearing loss. Unlike victims of traumatic injuries, those with occu-

pational diseases are not entitled to continuation-of-pay benefits. Once their disability is diagnosed and their claim processed, they receive 75 or 66 2/3 percent of their salary, as appropriate.

Rossbach acknowledged that most federal workers collecting injury compensation have legitimate injuries. What DOD is out to uncover, he said, are the cases involving fraud and those in which workers are able to return to light or limited duty until they're fully recuperated.

It's a campaign being organized on several fronts.

One strategy is to uncover employees collecting compensation while working for outside employers. Though this practice is not illegal, employees are required to report their earnings, which are deducted from the compensation they receive. In many cases, workers lie about these

earnings, making them, like the Defense Fuel Supply Center employee, guilty of fraud.

To crack down on these cases, Rossbach said, DOD will begin comparing the names of people on its disability rolls with those on state employment commission rosters.

State employment commissions collect employment insurance from businesses, which in turn register their employees by name and salary.

Another type of search will compare the names of injured workers with those of people who have applied for credit at banks or other financial institutions. The purpose,

Rossbach explained, is to determine if "disabled" workers list sources of income not being reported to the government.

Another strategy in the crackdown, Rossbach said, is a program in which DOD compensation administrators visit unannounced the homes of disabled workers to check on their condition. "Past experience has shown that many of these people have not been contacted by their former employers for years, and, as a result, have been abusing the system," he said.

Rossbach said DOD has a strong message to people abusing the injury

compensation system. "We want to tell the people out there that we're no longer going to tolerate abuse. If they have unreported outside earnings, we're going to find out sooner or later; and when we do, we're going to prosecute."

By Donna Miles

Long election year ahead

February is the start of the presidential primary season. This will kick off an election year that will culminate on

Nov. 8, when Americans will vote a new president and other national leaders into office.

Primaries will be held in 36 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. The first state primary will be held in New Hampshire Feb. 16. The biggest primary day this year is March 8 — the so-called "Super Tuesday." A total of 16 states will hold primaries then.

Service members and civilians stationed outside their home states can vote via absentee ballots.

Twenty states and Puerto Rico hold primaries in March. They are: Vermont, March 1; South Carolina,

March 5; Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, March 8; Illinois, March 15; Puerto Rico, March 20; and Connecticut, March 29.

Three states will vote in April: Wisconsin, April 5; New York, April 19; and Pennsylvania, April 26.

Seven primaries are set in May: the District of Columbia, Indiana and Ohio, May 3; Nebraska and West Virginia, May 10; Oregon, May 17; and Idaho, May 24.

Five states hold primaries in June.

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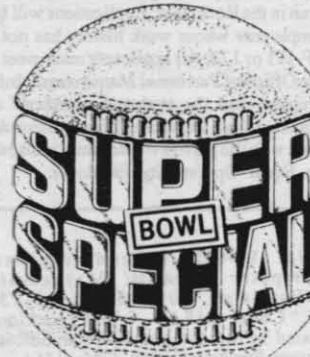
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Ginger L. Cramer, a pharmacist at the Branch Medical Clinic, has been named Civilian of the Quarter for the clinic at the Naval Weapons Center.

A China Laker for just 14 months, she was chosen for her clinical expertise, professionalism and high level of competence.

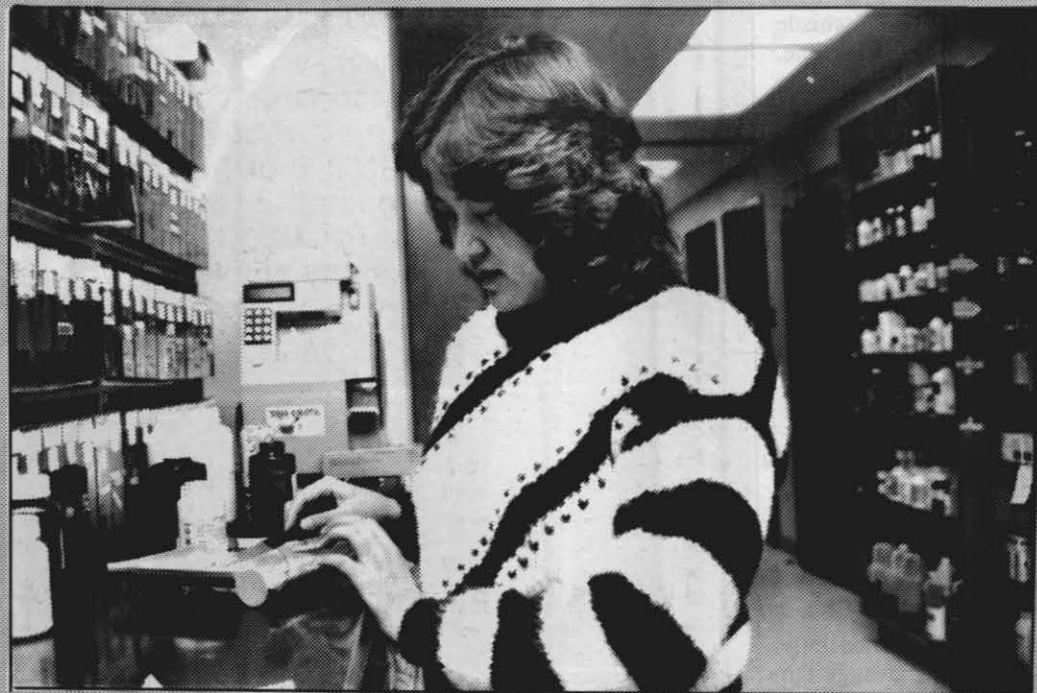
In his letter of commendation to Mrs. Cramer, Cdr. Dean A. Hermann, Officer-in-Charge at the clinic, said "In the relatively short period of time you've been here, you've become an integral part of our clinic's operation. You're a complete professional, and as such, have raised both the level and quality of the services we're able to provide to our patients and staff alike."

A pharmacist for five years, Mrs. Cramer came to the Naval Weapons Center from the San Francisco Bay Area when her husband, Randy, went to work here. She was a pharmacist with a Bay Area drugstore chain before working at the clinic.

Mrs. Cramer is a graduate of the University of Arizona who took an interest in pharmacy while still in junior high school. She said it is an interesting field and you get to work with a wide variety of people.

Cdr. Hermann's letter also commended her for being able to ensure a higher level of understanding and competence for the clinic's watchstanders and for becoming a highly visible and vital member of the health care team at China Lake.

Ginger Cramer receives recognition from Clinic



TOP CIVILIAN-Ginger L. Cramer, Civilian of the Quarter at the NWC Branch Medical Clinic, fills a prescription as part of her duties as a pharmacist.

Dr. Dodge gives talk

"Water Conservation and Beauty Go Hand in Hand" is the title of a program that will be presented by Dr. Dick Dodge at the meeting of Desert Planters of Ridgecrest on Wednesday (Feb. 3). The 1 p.m. meeting will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 725 West Ridgecrest Boulevard in Ridgecrest.

Dr. Dodge will discuss plants that do well in desert climates. The meeting will be preceded at 12:30 p.m. by a workshop conducted by Alice Hirsch on "Choosing a Horticulture/Floriculture Exhibit."

Interested horticulturists and dirt gardeners are invited to attend all Desert Planters' functions. More information can be obtained by telephoning 375-2107.

New mugs available

Old timers who would enjoy having a coffee mug with "United States Naval Ordnance Test Station Inyokem" (NOTS) decals and the logo of the rabbit riding the rocket can place an order for such a mug after Feb. 16.

The mugs can be ordered from the Craft/Hobby Center by telephoning NWC ext. 3252. They will cost \$5 each as long as supplies last; this offer will not be repeated.

"NWC" mugs are again being offered for \$3 each by the Craft/Hobby Center. To order one, telephone NWC ext. 3252.

New number for liaison

Natalie Harrison, Community Liaison person in the Recreational Services Department, has a new telephone number. She can be reached at NWC ext. 6509.

Her office is in the Recreational Services Department Office at Bennington Plaza.

COM bar set for Mondays

Patrons of the Commissioned Officers' Mess are invited to drop in at the Barefoot Bar on Monday nights during the month of February. Hours of operation will be 4:30 to 11 p.m. If enough patrons use the Barefoot Bar for relaxing, listening to music on the new juke box or playing Crud, it will continue to be open Mondays.

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The China Lake Auxiliary of NRS is manned by very dedicated people, according to Amanda Woodside, Publicity Chairman. Due to the size of the area and the small number of volunteers, the officer positions of this office are mainly filled by people volunteering for the positions. The only one really appointed to his position is the Executive Director, Lt. Brian Lewis, said Woodside; the others will hold their positions until their spouses are transferred, or for a personal reason.

Lieutenant Lewis, Code 6113, is the Executive Director of the local NRS office. In addition to his Navy assignment as a NATOPS Coordinator, Lt. Lewis acts as the military liaison between Navy Relief and NWC's Chain of Command. "He is the good will ambassador to the military for us," said Amanda Woodside, Publicity Chairman of the local office. "He helps get us supplies through the system, answers questions and if we need something, we just call him," she noted. "We appreciate him a lot, a whole lot."

The main "boss" of the China Lake Auxiliary office is Priscilla Dropp, Chairman of Volunteers, said Woodside. She reviews each case that comes into the office and does all the paperwork, including weekly and monthly reports.

As Chairman of Volunteers, Dropp organizes and coordinates all volunteer programs, as well as coordinates the various chairmen to make the local office run smoothly. Besides all the work that goes into making an office run smoothly, Dropp also attends functions to publicize Navy Relief and to recruit volunteers.

Chairman of Layettes, Sally Henry, is busy making sure that a sufficient number of layettes are available for distribution among military members who have just become parents. Henry oversees the other volunteers who knit the sweaters, hats and booties that are included in the layettes. According to Woodside, NRS supplies the yarn and the patterns, but volunteers supply the labor. Volunteers also are required to sew the seabags that are used. Woodside said volunteers who like to sew, knit or crochet are always needed and most warmly welcomed.

Mary Stites, Chairman of Receptionists, insures there are volunteers staffing the office. She also keeps receptionist volunteers current on NRS information, important phone numbers and the NRS log. Stites also coordinates and officiates at "sign-up coffees" and follows up contacts promptly.

Woodside noted that as Publicity Chairman she kept busy by advising the local media of Navy Relief events they may wish to cover. Writing copy for newsletters, local and base newspapers, bulletin boards, posters, etc. is all part of her job.

The newest officer of NRS at China Lake is Jennifer Taylor, the new visiting nurse. Her main duty will be visiting homes of military personnel and advising them on health care, whether it is care of the elderly, newborns, children, or comforting people suffering the loss of a loved one. She will work closely with the physicians at NWC's Branch Medical Clinic and the civilian physicians.

People interested in the services provided by NRS, or who are interested in helping NRS, should call the office at 446-4746 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.



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NEW OFFICERS — Volunteering their time are the new Navy Relief Society officers. They are from left to right (top row) Jennifer Taylor, Visiting Nurse; Lt. Brian Lewis, Executive Director; and Sally Henry, Layette Chairman; (bottom row) Mary Stites, Chairman of Receptionists; Amanda Woodside, Publicity Chairman; and Priscilla Dropp, Volunteer Chairman. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

COM Valentine's Ball set

Membership night for February at the Commissioned Officers' Mess will be the Valentine Ball on Friday, Feb. 12.

The luscious dinner featuring steamboat round and all the trimmings will be only \$4.50 per person for members and their spouses, and

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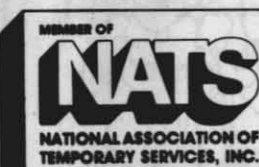
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Twenty-six squads active in hoop loop play

All 26 teams in the Naval Weapons Center's Youth Basketball League were in action during the third weekend of hoop play.

Instructional Division Suns 15, Warriors 10

William Raymond's 11 points led the winning Suns team. Brian Armstrong added four tallies. There was no Warriors score sheet.

Stars 42, Bulls 4

Behind Kevin Cornett's 23 points, the Stars were easy winners. Jay Norkind added 10 points while Kate George had five, Josh Williams and Mark Norlund two each. Justin Martin and Chris Lovett hit the only points for the Bulls.

Lakers 24, Nets 8

Chris B. led the win with 10 points while Peter G. and David R. added four each. Mark K., Chris M. and Leny L. had two points each. Matthew Girardot hit six points in the loss while William Cubit added two tallies.

Jets 20, Runners 12

Behrang Goodarzirad with five points and Patrick Ross with 12 led the winners. Jimmy Hutmacher had two points and Marcus Butterfield one. Ethan Luge's eight points paced the Runners, while Andy Dubois chipped in the other four markers.

Intermediate Division Rockets 30, Celtics 27

Jean Paul Escallier hit the winning bucket for the Rockets and had seven points in the game. Garrett led the win with 10 points. Also scoring were

Martin, Morton, Pisano and Underwood. Tony Halemman's 11 tallies led the Celtics while Otto Blowers added 10 points. Angie Domingues and Chris Potten chipped in with two each.

Nuggets 33, Pistons 16

Danny LaHaye with 11 tallies and Brett Becker with 10 paced the Nuggets to the win. Eddie Guerra, Rhett Kennedy and Joel Sigala had four each. Six players, led by David Young and Greg LaPoint with four points each, scored in the loss. Two points each were notched by Greg Zweierzchowski, Zenobia Moore, Nicholas Barkemeyer and Louis Moore.

Spurs 30, Huskies 17

Jeff Brown riddled the nets with 20 points as he paced the Spurs' victory. Joel Haynes and Tim Clark added four points each while Lacey Cordell had two tallies. Jerome Davis' five points were high for the Huskies. Ryan Lilly, Stephen Yoo and Daniel Kelly all hit four points each.

Flames 30, Cliffs 22

Coaches described this as a slow game, where Jonathan Moffitt's 14 points keyed a Flames' victory. Keith Parris added six points in the win. Danny Hartley, Scott Fuller, Chris Williams and Kenny Robesky also scored for the Flames. Cabral Williams and Justin Byrne had four points each in the loss. Hitting two points each were Luke Woydziack, Roger Karroll, Aaron Plugge, Joe Mechtenberg, Jonathan Mickelson, Jason Rolingson and Bree Lewis.

Junior Division Pacers 57, Jazz 9

An easy win found Tom Halemman leading the Pacers with 15 and Ross Lyons added 10. Adding to the tally were Chuck Rouland and Eric Strickland, eight each; Andre Staples, six; Mark Russel, four; and Mike Franklin, H. Morton and Will Irvin, two each. Ole Hendon led the Jazz with six points while Paul Underwood had two and Kevin Self one.

Eagles 25, Hawks 23

In a close one, balanced scoring gave the win to the Eagles. Brett Hargave led the win with eight points while Damon Kelling and Chris Schultz had four each. Also scoring were Jarrett Garife, Marion Paisano, Eric Peoples and Sean Williams. The Hawks got 12 tallies from Scott Ross and six from Dennis Sarr. Adding points were Brian Hire, Wesley Mouw and Rhy Thornton.

Lions 29, Clippers 27

With Chad Taylor's 11 points and nine for Jason Duff, the Lions nudged the Clippers. Quannah Driver hit six

while Greg Greedy, Mike DeGus, Miles Ross and Kristina Koelsch added the rest of the points. The close game found Josh Moorehead leading the Clippers with 16 points. Casey Smith added four tallies. The rest of the scoring came from Jim Randolph, Larry Williams, Melanie Davis and John Nyland.

Senior Division Clippers 56, Kings 19

Cory Moorehead and Tim Seufert hit 12 and 11 points respectively to lead the Clippers. Michael Hargett added eight points while Seufert led the rebounders. Gare Anderson, Alex

Beltran, Brian Perez, Mark McGee, Eric Hillewert and Bobby Pucket also scored. Perez led in assists. The Kings got a seven point game from Danny Wilson and five tallies for Steve Jaime. Amir Saleen hit three while Mike Addison and C.E. Gerrity had two each.

Bullets 30, Mavericks 27

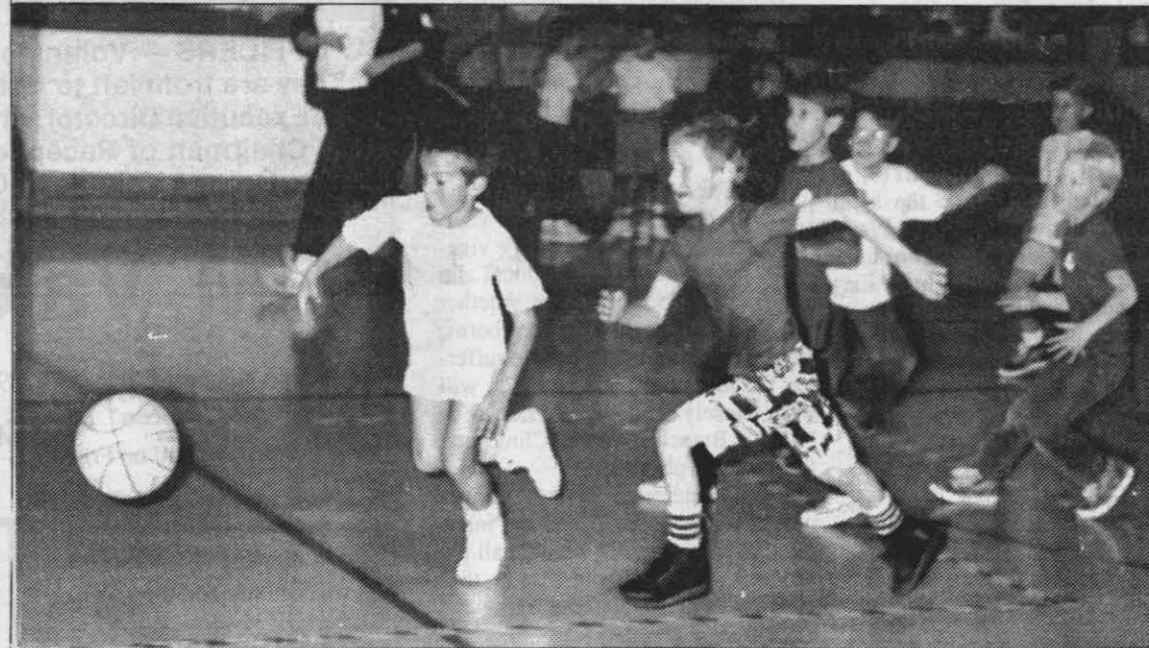
Nine points from Chris Armstrong and eight from Ron Schiller led the Bullets' effort. LaMonte Dawson had six tallies while Greg Parish added four and Rusty Ricker had three. The Mavericks failed to turn in a score sheet.

League organizing

With the 1988 Intramural Volleyball League season set for a mid-March opening, the Recreational Services Department has set an organizational meeting for Wednesday, Feb. 10.

The meeting, scheduled for 4:30

p.m. in the Center Gym, will be used to establish league rules and roster requirements. Anyone interested in taking part in the spring season is encouraged to attend this meeting. For additional information call the Gym Office at NWC ext. 2571.



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Fishing still slow Volleyball season

Fishing is still slow at Lake Isabel, but the weather has been gorgeous, the days warm, and only occasionally gusty winds to remind anglers that it's still winter.

A few trout are being caught in the lake, but that's the only kind of fish currently biting. If the warm trend continues, then catfish should start biting also soon. Those going after trout should try red eggs, nightcrawlers, or marshmallows.

Both the upper and lower Kern River are still being planted regularly with trout. The lower river is being stocked its full length from the dam to the mouth of the canyon, but the upper river is only being stocked as far as the power house.

Anglers in the Owens Valley are also not catching much right now, but

are enjoying gorgeous weather and scenery. They should layer their clothes - cold winds do whistle through the valley from time to time.

The trout fishing is being found at Topaz Lake on the California-Nevada border. The early trout season in the southern eastern Sierra is more than a month away from opening and the general trout season, statewide, doesn't open until the last Saturday in April.

Anglers are also reminded they must have a current, valid fishing license in their possession while fishing. The resident license this year costs \$19 including the 50 cent license agents fee.

This weekend closes most of the hunting seasons: quail, chukkar, cottontails and gray squirrels.

Skiers enjoy storms

Major ski areas from June Mountain to Big Bear are reporting excellent conditions, but no new snow this week. Base depth ranges from 24 inches on Mt. Baldy and Snow Forest to 84 inches at Mammoth Mountain.

The best skiing is reported in the Lake Tahoe region where base depths range up to 120 inches of snow.

This weekend all lifts and all runs at Mammoth and June Mountains are expected to be open for business. At least three cross-country ski centers in the Mammoth/Bishop area are also

open offering miles of groomed trails for nordic skiers. Other areas in the Inyo National Forest offer marked, but ungroomed trails for the skiers who want to ski for free, away from the crowds.

If the weather holds for the President's Day holiday weekend next month, the Sierra Nevada ski resorts can expect near record attendance on the slopes as skiers flock to the slopes this year to make up for the poor skiing last winter.

Youth aerobics class

Junior high school age children and above can take low impact aerobics at the Youth Center on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays Feb. 1 through 29 from 3 to 4 p.m. (Because of holidays, no classes will be held Feb. 12 and 15).

Fee for the class taught by certified Instructor Myriam Wright are \$16 for dependents of military, \$18 for DOD civilians, and \$20 for private citizens. Drop-ins can pay \$2 per class. For further information or to register, telephone NWC ext. 2909.



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Well animal clinic Tues.

Well animals owned by active duty and retired military can receive inoculations and be seen by a veterinarian from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Tuesday (Feb. 2).

Appointments are required and can be made by telephoning the Craft/Hobby Center at NWC ext. 3252.

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