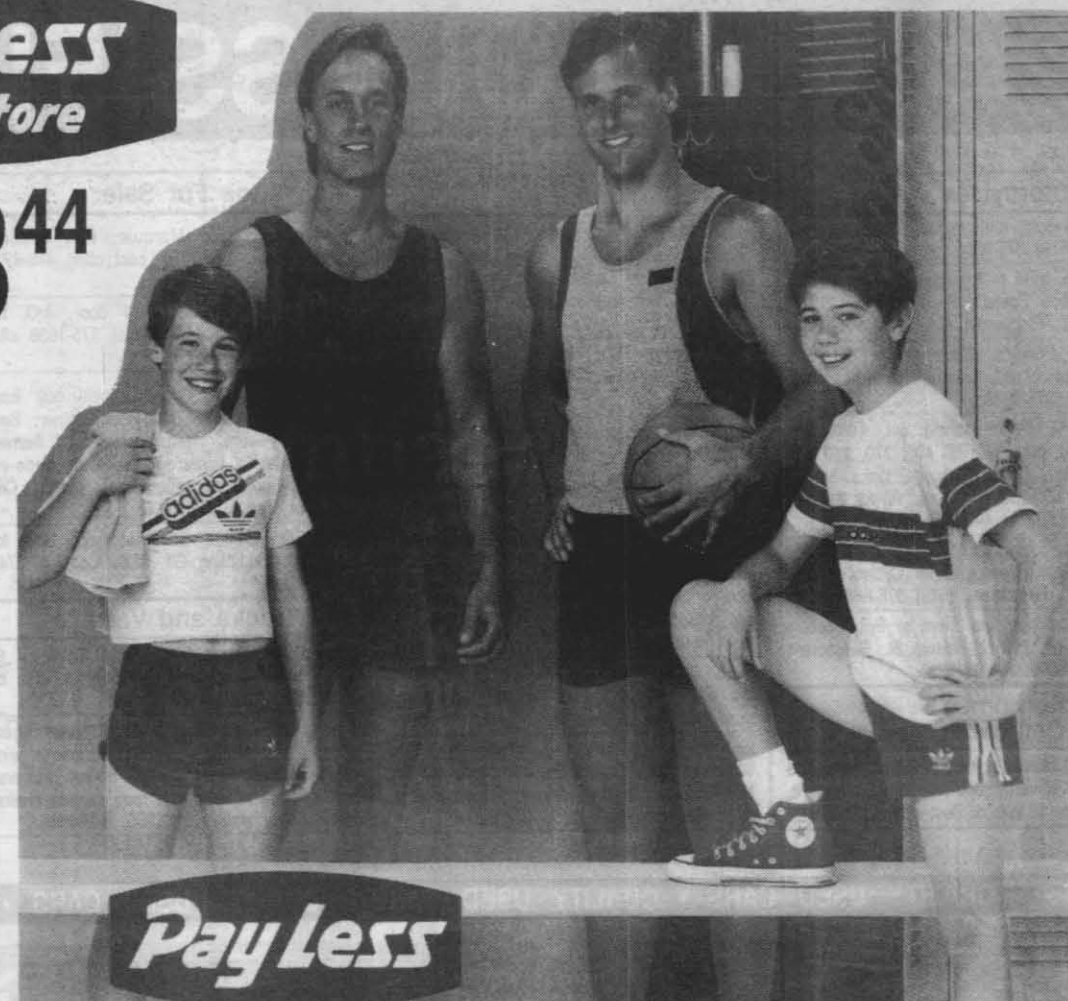


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**Harrier pilots find candles for night combat****'Night Attack'  
follows work  
on 'Cheap Night'**By Diane Campbell  
Associate Editor

A short while ago at China Lake, electrical power went out due to a rainstorm. People were suddenly in the dark. You know what that means — not being able to make out what is two feet in front of your nose, bumping into objects as you slowly, gingerly grope your way around, being helpless until you can find some candles or the power comes back on. Well, AV-8B Harrier pilots have found the candles — and they have power now, the power to see in the dark.

The Marine Corps has an operational requirement to support ground and sea surface forces during military operations at night and in reduced visibility conditions. In response to this need, the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) in fiscal year 1985 contracted with McDonnell Aircraft Company (McA) to configure the AV-8B aircraft for night and reduced visibility missions. The basic Harrier operational capabilities were limited to daytime operations.

"We can now do at night what we could do during the day," noted Steve Underwood, program manager for the AV-8B Weapons System Support Activity (WSSA).

The AV-8B Night Attack System evolved directly from an effort known as Cheap Night, conducted at the Naval Weapons Center (NWC) to demonstrate a night-attack capability using an A-7 Corsair II aircraft test bed. Based on 85 Cheap Night sorties, the Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force (COMPTVEFOR) concluded the night-attack concept was potentially operationally effective for night visual flight rules navigation, ordnance delivery, and takeoffs or landings at unlighted airfields.

The AV-8B Night Attack System, incorporated as an engineering change proposal to the basic Harrier, was designed to increase, by over 40 percent, the fraction of time the aircraft can accomplish its intended primary mission — close air support approaching or equalling day visual meteorological conditions — while increasing projected unit recurring,

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**NIGHT ATTACK**—Maj. Willie Baines, USMC, is in the cockpit of the Night Attack version of the AV-8B Harrier. The Night Attack System is designed to vastly increase the time the Harrier can perform in the close-air support role. This version is scheduled for introduction to the fleet in the fall of next year.

**Scientists earn praise for paper**By Steve Boster  
Rocketeer Editor

Dr. Robert Dinger and Dr. Brett Borden of the Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) Research Department were honored for presenting one of the best papers at last month's Navy Independent Research and Independent Exploratory Development (IR & IED) Symposium.

Gerry Schiefer, NWC technical director, recognized the accomplishment at last week's Commander's Meeting and presented the award certificates to the two scientists.

Dinger, head of the RF and Microwave Technology Branch, and Borden, a scientist in the branch, had the best IR paper. The paper on non-cooperative target recognition was fundamental research with promise of real-world application in the future.

The winning paper was one of eight presented by China Lakers at the symposium sponsored by the Office of Naval Research (ONR) at the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory. Several other NWC

employees presented poster sessions during the symposium.

According to Dinger and Borden, the event, the first ever, is expected to become an annual event for the Navy's IR & IED researchers. The symposium, they noted, was the brainchild of Dr. Ron Derr, head of NWC's Research Department.

"We're happy to get the recognition because this means NWC will receive about another one-half man year of extra IR funding next year," commented Dinger.

"A lot of people, besides us, are

responsible for us getting this award," noted Butler. The scientists praised the support IR & IED efforts receive at NWC, noting they thought it was better than at any of the Center's sister labs.

Each lab selected what it felt was the best paper in IR and IED to compete for the best symposium paper in each category. "It was all very good work," commented Dinger, "and we were selected to represent NWC." He also noted the selection was based on the written paper, not the (Continued on Page 5)

**Joan Deffes wraps up WAVE era**

Friday, July 1, marked the end of an era at the Naval Weapons Center (NWC). The last Navy WAVE (Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service) assigned to

the Naval Ordnance Test Station (NOTS) in the 1940s retired from the NWC work force.

Joan Deffes has seen NOTS become NWC and seen a sleepy

desert community become a thriving city. She has seen Michelson Laboratory replace scattered quonset huts and the airfield operations 'move' from Inyokern to

NWC's Armitage Field.

As a part of the first contingency of Navy WAVEs assigned to what was then known as the Naval Ordnance (Continued on Page 6)







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This is just a call to thank you. I am a parent of a high school student. My son attended the graduation party and said it was a wonderful party, and that everyone had a great time. He gave a lengthy description of the activities and prizes, and my entire family wants to thank the organizers. I certainly hope a safe and sane party like that will be a tradition.

**QUESTION**

I am appalled about the rudeness of about half of the people who drive through the front and back gates. My husband is a part-time gate guard for United. When he started, he enjoyed greeting drivers as he flagged them through. But since China Lake started extra security measures, my husband has been spat at, sworn at, threatened physically, lied to repeatedly and demeaned by the very people he is trying to protect from a possible terrorist act. Why are my neighbors and co-workers so upset about a five-minute delay that might possibly save them and their families' lives? I am stumped. Maybe you, possibly, can answer this question. Also, he is one of the nicest gate guards you could drive through, and he is thinking about quitting because of the way people are treating him. I am hoping you print this letter and maybe somebody might turn their attitude around on this very act that might protect their lives. Thank you.

**ANSWER**

I agree with you that a short delay in arriving at work is a small price to pay to ensure the Center is a less attractive target for terrorist activities. I am very pleased with the friendly attitude that the gate guards display. I have received positive feedback about our guards from visitors and employees alike, and would not want them to lose that friendliness because of mistreatment by a few individuals.

I urge everyone who comes aboard the Center to allow sufficient time to get to your destination when you are aware of possible delays caused by heightened security procedures. Please remember that the guards are acting on my behalf. Please treat them as you would want to be treated.

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.

**Relief Act of 1940  
recognizes hardship**

Immediately prior to World War II, Congress recognized the special financial and legal hardships of military members and passed the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940. This act, with some amendments, is still in effect and applies to all members of the armed forces, including the Coast Guard. Reservists are protected under the act when called to active duty; military spouses, however, are not.

Among other things, the act protects military members from paying taxes on military income to the host state (the state in which they are stationed) unless the host state is also their home state. That exemption also applies to personal property taxes. Income earned from part-time jobs while the member is off-duty, however, and income earned by his spouse and dependents are not exempt.

The act also exempts military members from having to register their motor vehicles in states other than their home states. The host state, however, can require a military member to pass a test to get that state's license to drive.

It becomes very important, therefore, for service members to have a clear understanding of the terms involved in cases like these. Chief of Army legal assistance Col. Richard Arkow said that some military people seem to confuse "home of record" with "home state" or "legal domicile." According to Arkow, "home of record" has no legal connotation outside of certain military benefits. It is the state in which you joined the military. For example, when you are discharged, the Army will pay to send your goods either to your home of record or an equivalent distance toward the state of your choice.

The "host state" is the state in which you are stationed, and your "home state," or "legal domicile," is the one in which you were born or that you consider your home state and establish as such by taking steps such as registering to vote and registering a car.

**CAREERS END—** Master Chief John P. Bozony and Chief Thomas L. Strickland took part in an unusual double-retirement ceremony last Friday. Bozony ended a 30-year Naval career that included three tours of duty at the Naval Weapons Center. For Strickland, the day marked the end of a 22-year active duty career and the transfer to the Fleet Reserves.

commanding officer of enlisted personnel, presided over the ceremony.

Photos by Steve Boster

**Fund shortfall reported**

CHAMPUS imposes temporary delay in processing benefit claims

Because of a shortage of funds for payment of Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) claims, there is a temporary delay in the processing and payment of some claims submitted by or for CHAMPUS beneficiaries.

Beginning on July 1, CHAMPUS claims processors have been denying

certain claims for medical care and have issued notices to this effect. However, the claims processors will retain the claims on file and automatically reprocess when additional funds become available. Beneficiaries will not need to resubmit their claims.

Each explanation of benefits will

contain the following statement: "No payment on this claim can be made due to a funding shortage. When funds become available, this claim will be automatically reprocessed and a check issued as appropriate. Please do not refile this claim since that may further delay final action."

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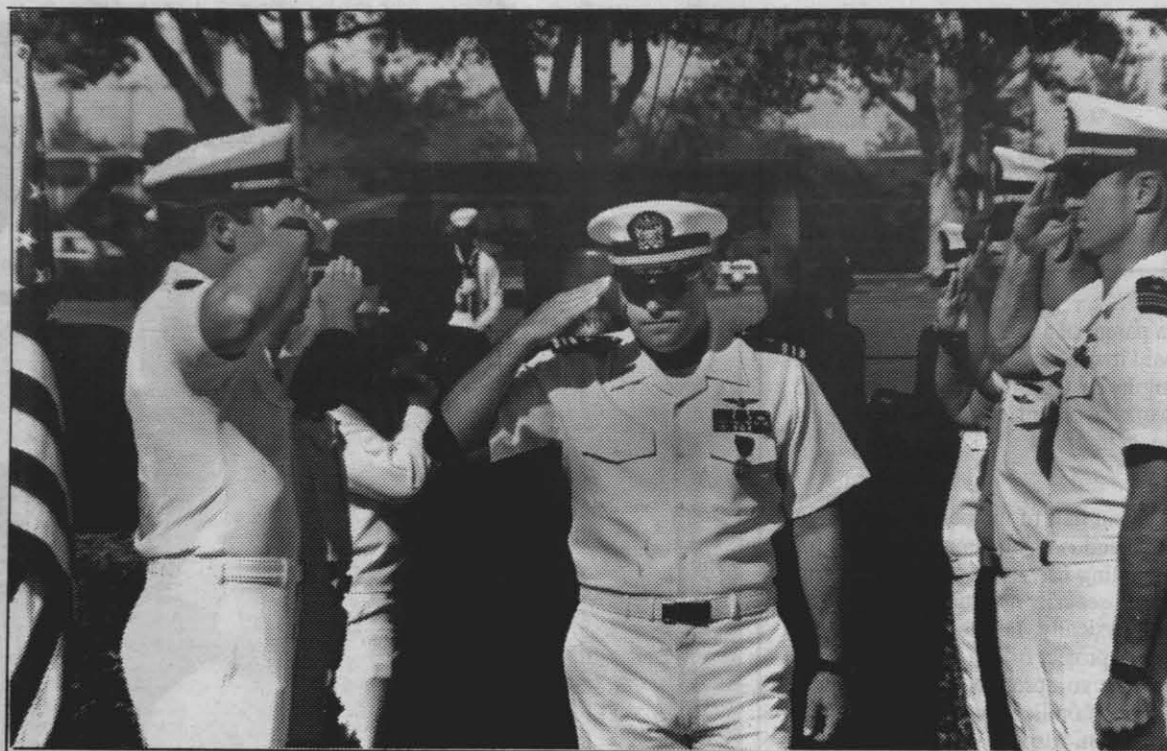
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**FINAL SALUTE**—LCdr. Dave Ganger ended 20-years active duty with the U.S. Navy as he retired last week. Capt. K. E. Allen, NWC deputy test and evaluation director, presented LCdr. Ganger with the Navy Achievement Medal in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments as a Naval officer. He had been the aviation safety officer for NWC's Aircraft Department during his final tour of duty. He received a final salute from his fellow officers acting as sideboys for the retirement. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

## Exchange schedules big sales

Two big sales are coming up at the China Lake Navy Exchange. The annual White Sale is set for July 12-24 and the Summer Home Sale is scheduled for July 19-24.

The appliance of the month for July is a Waring Ice Cream Parlor. The price is \$19.99 with a \$5 rebate available.

A Kodak K40 camera outfit is the camera of the month. For \$59.99, patrons can get a camera that includes an

electronic pop-up flash, motorized film advance and rewind, automatic exposure, automatic film speed setting with DX coded film, fixed-focus lens for sharp, clear pictures and a one-year warranty.

The home improvement item of the month is a Schlage Lock Company Keypack Compact Security System for \$89.

At the NEX Snack Bars, the break-

fast special is a fried egg sandwich, coffee and doughnut for \$1.15. At lunch it is a cheeseburger deluxe, chips and a medium softdrink for just \$2.25.

Sutter Home Sauvignon Blanc is the Wine of the Week at the Exchange Package Store. The package store will also be hosting a wine tasting of Gallo wines and brandy on July 15 from 3 to 6 p.m.

## Free gate to military

Military personnel in uniform will be able to attend the weekend World War II Aircraft Show at Brown Field on Otay Mesa, San Diego, free of charge July 15-17. Regular admission is \$6, with children under 12 being admitted for free. The show, called "The Wings of Victory," is the fourth annual historical aircraft display presented by Air Group One, the San Diego wing of the Confederate Air Force. Aircraft used by the U.S. Navy and Marines will have special emphasis. The show opens at noon on Friday, July 15, and continues from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, July 16 and 17, with all-day displays of the planes. Proceeds will go towards the acquisition, restoration and operation in San Diego of World War II aircraft.

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Anyone who has ever wondered what an oboe is, or wanted to know what a bassoon looks like, the July 14 concert is the place to be.



## Weather Report

	Max	Min	Gusts
Thurs.	107	62	no report
Fri.	107	63	no report
Sat.		no report	
Sun.		no report	
Mon.		no report	
Tues.	100	66	no report
Wed.	103	67	no report

All measurements are made at Armitage Airfield.

CONCERT SET-The College Concert Band will perform Thursday at the NWC Theater. Photo by Peggy Shoaf

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## Weekend Roundup

Skywatchers can plan to attend the July 11 meeting of the China Lake Astronomical Society at the Maturango Museum. This session is set for 7:30 p.m. Included in the meeting will be a discussion of techniques for observing a very young new moon the evening of July 14. The monthly star party is set for 8:30 p.m. at the observing site south of old Highway 395.

Members of Cub Scout Pack 341, sponsored by the Naval Weapons Center's All Faith Chapel, will hold a bicycle rodeo on Saturday, July 16, in the chapel's parking lot.

The event begins at 9 a.m. It is designed to offer competitive fun for the scouts through bicycle skills.

Harry Quong will be the guest speaker at the July 21 High Desert Engineering Association's dinner observing U.S. Space Week. The dinner is set for the Naval Weapons Center's Commissioned Officers' Mess. For tickets and more information call Dave Koelsch at NWC ext. 1974, Jim Serpanos at NWC ext. 3661 or Tony Miller at 446-7671. Advance tickets are \$12 each.

Chapter 2274, AARP, will have its July meeting on Sunday, July 10, at the Ridgecrest Senior Center, 125 S. Warner Street. The meeting will commence at 1 p.m. with the usual potluck. Bring a dish and a table service. The cooling system will be functioning. A slide-tape presentation will be shown and a decision has to be made about the annual ice cream social.



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## Movies

FRI.-SAT.	<b>"RENT-A-COP"</b>	JULY 8-9
	Starring Burt Reynolds and Liza Minnelli (Romantic Comedy, rated R, 97 min.)	JULY 10
SUN.	<b>"SWITCHING CHANNELS"</b>	JULY 10
	Starring Burt Reynolds and Kathleen Turner (Comedy, rated PG, 105 min.)	JULY 12
TUES.	<b>MATINEE</b>	JULY 12
	<b>"SLEEPING BEAUTY"</b> (Animated, rated G, 75 min.)	JULY 13
WED.	<b>"SURRENDER"</b>	JULY 13
	Starring Michael Caine and Sally Field (Romantic/Comedy, rated PG, 95 min.)	JULY 14
THURS.	<b>MATINEE</b>	JULY 14
	<b>"ERNEST GOES TO CAMP"</b> Starring Jim Varney and Victoria Racimo (Comedy, rated PG, 92 min.)	JULY 15
FRI.	<b>"FULL METAL JACKET"</b>	JULY 15
	Starring Matthew Modine and Adam Baldwin (War/Drama, rated R, 117 min.)	

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## MIPIs benefit procurement

Recently, the Model Installation Program (MIP) office has received a number of calls from members of the Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) technical community inquiring about several small purchase Model Installation Program Initiatives (MIPIs) which have been approved for testing. While each inquiry usually deals with a specific, and often unique procurement question, many of the answers have been found within the authority of one of three MIPIs. We'll talk about them briefly for you in this weeks' MIPI Corner.

To begin with, all three MIPIs originated within the Supply Department (Code 25A1). The authority NWC has gained from these efforts is proof positive that Supply personnel take your procurement interests to heart. This Supply team can truly be called "Procurement & Contracting Trailblazers."

Now for a little information about their successful MIPIs. (By the way, remember these MIPI numbers and their titles. Small Purchase often requires you to reference the appropriate MIPI that fits your procurement needs. This is primarily for tracking and evaluation purposes during the MIPI testing period.)

MIPI-022-86, Change To The Small Purchase Competition Threshold — The testing authority received from the approval of this MIPI raised the competitive threshold for small purchases from \$1,000 to \$2,500. This means that NWC's contracting officers may

now solicit from one source for acquisitions that are less than \$2,500. To the end user, this means much shorter procurement acquisition time, and this in turn translates into more productive engineers and scientists, and most important, increased fleet operational readiness.

MIPI-025-86, Standard Stock Material — The authority gained from the approval of this MIPI as granted by the assistant secretary of the Navy (ASN), permits the customer (that's you) to determine



if items available through the Federal Supply System meet the standards of your requirements. If you are buying small purchases (under \$25,000), in direct support of an research, development, test and evaluation (RDT&E) effort, in limited quantities, and you are not requesting administrative support items such as furniture or office supplies, you may determine that standard stock is unsuitable. In essence, MIPI-025-86 allows RDT&E projects the opportunity, when necessary, to acquire non-standard stock items expeditiously.

It also benefits the scientist or engineer who is most familiar with the specific needs of his project to accomplish his procurement of components and parts without unnecessary delays caused by the stock system requisition and delivery process. (Don't forget when you prepare your stub to put MIPI-025-86 next to the Standard Stock Material Suitable block and select one or more of the four reasons listed at the bottom of the stub to support your rationale.) And remember, this MIPI cannot be used to procure administrative support items. The authority has been granted strictly in support of RDT&E project procurement.

MIPI-028-86, Waivers to Buy American Act — This approved MIPI granted NWC the authority to make individual class waivers to the Buy American Act for products purchased in direct support of RDT&E programs. Implementation of this MIPI, however, has been a time-consuming process. The Supply Department has been required to run "sources sought" ads in the Commerce Business Daily (CBD) for products which are presumably not manufactured in the U.S., or are not available from American manufacturers in sufficient quantities, or are not of the quality needed.

To date, no American manufacturers have responded to CBD ads placed for Federal Supply Groups (FSG) 9500 (special metals, 3500 (sewing machines) and 5800 (videocassette players in either 3/4" or (Continued on Page 11)



TOP PAPER—Dr. Brett Borden (left) and Dr. Bob Dinger admire the certificate they received for the paper at last month's IR & IED Symposium. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

## Paper brings honors

(Continued from Page 1) presentation, and was made before the symposium started.

Joining Dinger and Borden in presenting papers were Joe Covino, Mark Moran, Claus Schadow, Al Oglaza, Kelvin Higa, Mary Jo Hazelhorst, John Richards and Carl Hall. Poster sessions were presented by Arnie Nielsen, Al Green, Mark Alexander, John Pearson, Steve Fin-

negan, Warren Williams and Dan Harris.

Dinger earned his doctoral degree in physics from the University of California at Riverside in 1971. He has been head of Code 3814 since 1981.

Borden stated at NWC in 1980 after graduating from the University of Texas. He returned to Texas in 1986 to earn his doctoral degree in physics through a Navy Fellowship.

## Knox Road construction continues

Construction on a new drainage system for Knox Road south of the traffic circle will begin next week and require a detour between July 6 and

July 22. Traffic will be rerouted on Bowen Avenue, Parsons Road and Forrestal Street during the construction period.

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- Glass ..... \$1.50
- 1/2 Liter ..... \$2.45
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- Wine Coolers ..... \$1.50
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## Beverages

- Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Root Beer, Dr. Pepper
- Small ..... 70¢ Large ..... 95¢
- Coffee ..... 55¢
- Tea ..... 70¢, 95¢





## Final WAVE ends career at Naval Weapons Center

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nance Test Station in the mid-1940s, Joan Deffes was a witness to change as China Lake became the place it is today.

In November 1944, after attending Boot Camp at Hunter's College in the Bronx, New York, Deffes was assigned to NOTS. She and other Navy personnel traveled to Mojave by train, where they were supposed to be met by the NOTS' bus. But, she reminisced, the bus couldn't make it because of a sand storm. Since it was Thanksgiving, the Marines stationed in Mojave took the stranded WAVES and sailors in and treated them to a Thanksgiving dinner.

After arriving at NOTS the day after Thanksgiving, Deffes was assigned to the Commissary Store as secretary to the Commissary officer. "Captain Burroughs was the Skipper and Commander Richmond was the executive officer," she noted. At that time, according to Deffes, there were only a couple of men's barracks, one and a half barracks for women, some quonset huts and the old mess hall.

After working at the Commissary for a while, Deffes transferred to the Communications Department in the old Administration Building, what is now the Training Center. "I was in on the move when we (the Administration Building personnel) moved to the present Administration Building, which was completed at the end of 1945," she recalled.

"In August 1945 Bennington Plaza was completed, and the Commissary Store moved from the warehouse to the new building in Bennington Plaza," remembered Deffes. "There wasn't anywhere in town really for the civilians to shop, so the military and the civilians all shopped together. Since there was about an equal number of military to the civilians, we had to all work together to get the job done," she added.

According to Deffes, the Commissioned Officers' Mess and the theater also opened in 1945. "I attended the opening of the theater in August. The opening ceremony hosted Kay Kyser and his College of Musical Knowledge, which included beautiful Georgia Gibbs and Ishkaibbble," she remembered.

Deffes left the service in April 1946 and went to work for the Communications Department as a civil servant. After it was decided that civilians shouldn't work in that department any longer, she transferred and ended up at the Aviation Ordnance Department (AOD), where she became the secretary to Dr. Newton Wards. "He still teases me about being his first secretary," she laughed.

According to Deffes, the worst thing about the early days was the sand storms. "In June 1947 we had a terrible sand storm that lasted three days and nights," she said, "You could hardly see to go to work!"

Her best memory was President

Kennedy's visit to NWC. "I watched the parade up Blandy to the Officers' Mess and I also went to Armitage Field and saw his plane land," she remarked.

For entertainment, Deffes said civilians and military personnel often got together at Sandquist Spa, near Inyokern. "I don't think you can go there anymore," she said, "however, at that time there was a slab of concrete and we often went there to go dancing. It was there I first met the man who was to become my husband, Buddy."

After her marriage to Buddy, Deffes noted she continued to work until she started her family in 1949. She came to work at TID in 1968, where she stayed until her retirement last Friday. Other than the work she did, the friends she made and the professional people she met while working, Deffes did make one lasting mark at NWC. "In 1947, Buddy and I helped gather the rock to build the patio fireplace for the Officers' Mess," she reminisced, "and it is still standing today."

According to Deffes, she and her husband will remain in the area, except during the summer. "We plan to do a lot of traveling in the summer because neither one of us can stand this heat anymore," she remarked, "however, we do plan on sticking around during the winter months when it is nice."

## Personnel development

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sonnel who type, write or approve naval correspondence. It is a detailed overview of SECNAVINST 5216.5C and NAVWPNCEN 5216.8, which review standards for correspondence preparation, formatting and paperwork management.

NOTE: Please bring your copy of SECNAVINST 5216.5C (Correspondence Manual) dated AUG 83 to the class.

NOTE: To enroll in this course, submit training request (Form

NAVWPNCEN 12410/73) via department channels to Code 094. Deadline: July 22.

Files Improvement and Records Disposition (12 hours)

August 9-11, 0800-1130, Training Center. By Pam Rivera.

Intended Audience: Clerical/Administrative.

Scope: This class is designed to help record keepers understand and apply basic rules related to filing. Topics covered are standard filing procedures; eliminating needless fil-

ing; cross-referencing; indexing; and using filing aids such as color codes, labels, file guides and recommended file folders. Use of the Navy Standard Subject Identification Code and the use of microfilming, identification of record material, disposal of records and use of the Federal Records Centers for storage will be discussed.

NOTE: To enroll in this course, submit training request (NAVWPNCEN 12410/73) via department channels to Code 094.

Deadline: July 29.

MAKE YOURSELF MEMORABLE: COMMUNICATING WITH STYLE AND SKILL (4 hours)

July 22 (Friday), 0830-1130 and 1300-1600 (2 sessions), Training Center. By Kare Anderson.

Intended Audience: Clerical/Administrative workforce.

Scope: Topics covered include: What Makes a Positively Memorable First and Lasting Impression? Seven Second Rule

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## Cerro Coso sets fall dates

### Deadline for tuition support August 1

Cerro Coso Community College has established registration for fall courses on August 8 and 9 for continuing students and new students will be on August 10, 11, 15 and 16. Fall schedules will be available in the Training Center's lobby.

The Naval Weapons Center (NWC) will pay the full tuition for employees enrolled in courses provided under the NWC/Cerro Coso contract. If employees can show courses are job-related or will strengthen their contributions to the Center's mission, their tuition will be paid directly to the college by Code 094.

To apply for Center tuition support, an applicant must submit a DD Form 1556 (Request, Authorization, Agreement and Certification of Training and

Reimbursement) via department channels to Code 094.

If a course is not directly job-related, along with the DD Form 1556, the application should submit NAVWPNCEN 12410/66 (Academic Enrollment Justification) and NAVWPNCEN 12410/68 (Individual Development Plan) describing how the course fits into his or her overall career plan and how attendance at the course will strengthen the applicant's contribution to the Center's mission.

Anyone not yet a California resident should include a statement from his or her supervisor indicating the negative impact to NWC of postponing the training until residency is established.

Code 094 will return the approved DD Form 1556 to the

applicant, who then must take it to Cerro Coso while registering in order for NWC to pay the tuition.

A DD Form 1556 is not required for co-op students. They should simply inform the registrar they are co-op students when registering.

Requests for tuition support must be received by close of business August 1 so they may be processed and returned to applicants in time for registration. *Those received after that date will be returned and the employee will either have to pay the tuition or wait until another semester to register and resubmit the request for tuition support. Employees who pay tuition will not be reimbursed.*

For more information, call Cecil Webb, NWC ext. 2648.



personnel development opportunity

**Better Naval Writing (4 hours)**  
July 29, 0800-1130, Training Center. By LaNelle Thompson.

Scope: SECNAVINST 5216.5C sets news writing standards that are important to anyone who writes or reviews the writings of others. The class instructor will review those standards, i.e., the use of active versus

passive verbs, personal pronouns, short sentences, etc. A workbook (OPNAV 09B-P1-84) with exercises and answers that reinforce the principles of better naval writing will be used in class.

NOTE: To enroll in this course, submit training request (Form NAVWPNCEN 12410/73) via

department channels to Code 094. Deadline: July 22.

**Official Correspondence (8 hours)**  
July 29, 0800-1600, Training Center. By LaNelle Thompson.

Intended Audience: Clerical/Administrative.

Scope: A class for all Center personnel. (Continued on Page 19)

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

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## Space Week observance billed July 21

China Lakers and Ridgecrest area residents will join in celebrating U.S. Space Observance Week on July 16-24. Highlighting the week will be a talk by Harry Quong, director for reliability, maintainability and quality assurance (RM&QA) for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) on July 21.

Sponsored by the High Desert Engineering Association (HIDEA), the dinner meeting at the Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) Commissioned Officers' Mess starts with a social hour at 6 p.m. Dinner is set for 7 p.m. and Quong's talk starts at 8 p.m.

Tickets are now available through HIDEA members. Advance (by July 19) tickets are \$12 per person, and tickets bought at the door will be \$14. Dillard Bullard, head of NWC's Weapons Department, is the master of ceremonies for the night.

For ticket information call Naomi Cho at 446-7671, Dave Koelsch at NWC ext. 1974 or Jim Serpanos at NWC ext. 3661.

Quong has held his current position since October, 1983, reporting directly to NASA's associate administrator for safety, reliability, maintainability and quality assurance.

During his tenure with NASA Quong has worked on a number of projects, including the Skylab and Apollo programs.

A native of San Francisco, Quong holds degrees from San Francisco State University and the University of Dallas.

Quong's talk will include a review of NASAS's past accomplishments and plans for space stations, advanced launch systems and other future programs.

## Museum set fee

Since July 2, the Desert Museum in Randsburg has been charging an admission price of \$1 per adult and fifty cents per child ages 3-12.

The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and the Mondays of long holiday weekends.

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**XEROX VISITOR**—Bob Adams, executive vice president of Xerox Corp. and president of the firm's Custom Systems Division, talks with Brent Gustafson, head of the Navy Publishing and Printing Service Branch at China Lake. They are talking about the Xerox 9700, a 120-page per minute laser printer recently installed on the NWC net. Adams briefed Naval Weapons Center management on future Xerox products and conducted a symbolic ribbon cutting marking the integration of the Xerox 9700 into the net. Photo by Steve Boster



## Drugs get new name

WASHINGTON (NES) . . . Inhalants -- solvents, aerosols and some anesthetics -- are breathable chemicals that produce mind-altering vapors. People don't think of inhalants as drugs because most of them were never meant to be used as drugs.

Examples of inhalants include typewriter correction fluid, model airplane glue, nail-polish remover, lighter and cleaning fluids, and gasoline.

Aerosols that are used as inhalants include paints, cookware coating agents, and hair sprays. Anesthetics include halothane and nitrous oxide (laughing gas). Amyl nitrite and butyl nitrite are also inhalants.

Amyl nitrite is a clear, yellowish liquid sold in a cloth-covered, sealed bulb. The bulbs are nicknamed "snappers" or "poppers," because when you break the bulb it makes a snapping sound.

If you want to learn more about inhalants, ask your Drug and Alcohol Program Advisor (DAPA) to set up a showing of the Drug Information Series film, Inhalants (DN 5043501), available for loan through the Naval Education and Training Support Centers.

## Schwen sets product demo for Tuesday

Schwen Technology will hold a product demonstration at the Naval Weapons Center's Enlisted Mess on Tuesday, July 12. The firm will be demonstrating the Gyrozoom FP-1 image stabilizer and the GX-3 camera/image stabilizer system. The products will be on display from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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## Lifeline Association sets Navy network

Washington (NNS) — The Navy Wifeline Association is establishing a Navy-wide network of area ombudsman coordinators and councils.

Isolated commands having an ombudsman who does not belong to a council are strongly encouraged to respond also.

To establish the network, Wifeline requests commands having coordinating responsibility for ombudsmen councils identify a military point of contact (POC), such as the Command Chaplain, Command Master Chief, etc. A military POC is needed to achieve continuity.

Commands are requested to respond by mail before June 30. Send the military POC's title, command mailing address and the number of council members to Director, Navy Family Support Program (NMPC 66), Attn: Ms. Decker, Department of the Navy, Washington, D.C. 20378-5660

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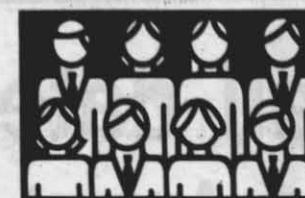
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## Promotional opportunities

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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 12334/2, 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. 00-005, Program Manager, DP-340-4, Code 01T6W** - This position is Air Launched Weaponry Technology Block Program Manager, located in the Air Weaponry Technology Block Office, Office of the Technology Base Director. The incumbent will manage the Air Launched Weaponry Block Program through the preparation of technology development requirements and system concepts for specific technology disciplines (including fire control, guidance, fuzing, warheads, airframes, and propulsion) assures appropriate block program focus and balance and provides coordination with other offices and programs both on and off center. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of engineering and ordnance sciences; knowledge of technology development requirements and system concepts for the disciplines of fire control, guidance, fuzing, warheads, airframes, and propulsion; knowledge of NWC management process; knowledge of the Office of Naval Technology and NAVAIRSYSCOM roles and organizational responsibilities; ability to interface at all levels of management to represent the Block Program to sponsors and Center management, within the Navy and in tri-service organizations.

**No. 14-009, ADP Systems Acquisitions Specialist, DS-301-1/2, Code 144B** - This position is located in the Acquisition Management Branch. The incumbent is responsible for supporting the Code 14 Small Purchase Stub Requisitions from inception to completion. The incumbent is responsible for providing assistance to other Branch Personnel in support of NWC Omnibus contracts. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of Federal procurement policies and regulations; knowledge of NWC procurement policies and procedures; knowledge of ADP terminology; ability to interface with both Code 14 and Center personnel. Promotion potential to DS-3, but not guaranteed. Previous applicants need not reapply.

**No. 08-023, Budget Analyst, DA-560-1/2/3, Code 0836** - Incumbent provides resource support services to one of NWC's operating departments. Responsible

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tions Research Analyst), DP-801/830/861/855/850/1520/1310/1550/1515-3, Code 31941. This position is that of head, F/A-18 Systems, Test and Evaluation Section. As section head, incumbent directs a multidisciplinary staff which is responsible for the total test and evaluation of the F/A-18 aircraft avionics and weapons systems, and provides system engineering for management of the Navy/Marine Corps F/A-18 fighter attack aircraft through its life cycle. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of avionics and the system engineering process; knowledge of affirmative action principles including a willingness to implement EEO practices; ability to supervise. A one year supervisory probationary period may be required.

**No. 38-014, Supervisory Research Physicist, DP-1310-3/4, Code 3818** - This position is that of head of the Physical Optics and Thin Films Branch, located in the Physics Division. The incumbent's duties include planning, implementing, and monitoring the progress of an integrated research program in optics in cooperation with the members of the branch and other personnel in the Physics Division. As branch head the incumbent will be responsible for administrative matters pertaining to branch members. The incumbent will also be required to develop and market proposals for research programs in collaboration with members of the branch and the division and to be a point of contact for NWC management and outside sponsors of branch programs. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of the principles of optics; knowledge of affirmative action principles and a willingness to implement EEO practices; ability to plan, organize, and manage a technical research program; ability to perform as a first-line supervisor. A one year supervisory probationary period may be required. Promotion potential to DP-4.

**No. 62-021, Electronics Technician, Dt-856-1/2/3, Code 62562, Multiple Vacancies** - This position is located in the Radar Branch of the Range Department. The Radar Branch is responsible for operating and maintaining all of the range tracking and target radars. The incumbent will operate, maintain, repair, modify and calibrate radar systems and sub systems. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to read schematics and wiring diagrams; ability to operate, maintain and repair radar systems; ability to analyze, diagnose and repair radar malfunctions. Promotion potential to Dt-3.

## Thrift Savings Plan Only two more weeks, season closes July 31

Another Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) open season started May 15 and closes July 31.

New TSP booklets have been distributed to all employees. Individuals who have not received a copy of this booklet should contact their department office.

During the open season individuals have the opportunity to change their current enrollment, or make an initial participation election. Election forms processed by July 1 will be effective the first pay

period in July — July 3. Enrollments received on or after July 3 will be effective the beginning of the following pay period.

Employees wanting to change their current enrollment election, or begin participation in the TSP, should contact their Personnel Management Advisor (PMA) to schedule a time to come in and complete the election form.

For more information, employees should call their PMA, or Virginia Spille at NWC ext. 2592.

## Pre-retirement seminar set for August 8 thru 10

On August 8, 9 and 10, a pre-retirement planning seminar will be held for Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) civilian employees considering retirement within the next five years.

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 July 15. Please indicate estimated date of retirement on the training request. The seminar will be limited to 50 employees. Spouses of enrollees are also encouraged to attend.

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

## Video available!

## "The Roger Berg Story" is available now at NWC

Naval Weapons Center's Training Center now has "The Roger Berg Story" video for check out or viewing at the Training Center by individuals, especially department heads and work groups.

This "ethics" film is a 25-minute video (on 3/4" and VHS) which is intended to stimulate discussion. No answers are given. It deals with con-

licts, values, decisions and business ethics. The objectives are to make viewers aware of their own and other people's values and to increase each viewer's awareness of personal and organizational values as major factors in decision-making.

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## July 19 last day to register for intramural team

Tuesday, July 19, is the last day for people to sign-up for the Intramural Racquetball League. To be eligible for play, league patrons must possess a current military identification, current Athletic Membership Card or must buy a special Intramural Sports Activity Card for racquetball.

Singles and doubles competitions for men and women will be held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings

beginning July 26.

Sign-ups for the league, which is sponsored by the Sports Branch of the Naval Weapons Center's Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department, are currently underway at the gymnasium.

For further information about the new racquetball league, contact the Sports Branch at NWC ext. 2334.

## Camp Lo-Wa-Na has plenty of things for kids to do

Songs around the campfire, outdoor games and nature crafts, archery, hiking and plenty of home-made food are in store for boys and girls in the first grade and above attending the Camp Five resident camp Lo-Wa-Na (Love-Water-Nature) at Kern County park Yennis Nante at Greenhorn Summit from August 7-13.

Campers are placed in



units according to age and camping experience. The price is \$100 per child.

Reservations for Camp Lo-Wa-Na are due by July 29. Application forms and free camp physicals will be offered at the Camp Fire Council of Kern County, Inc., 508 18th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301.

For more information, contact the council at (805) 327-7567.

## New pool hours in effect, Top-4 Mess pool is open

New pool hours are now in effect for the Enlisted Mess pool, 1 to 7 p.m. daily.

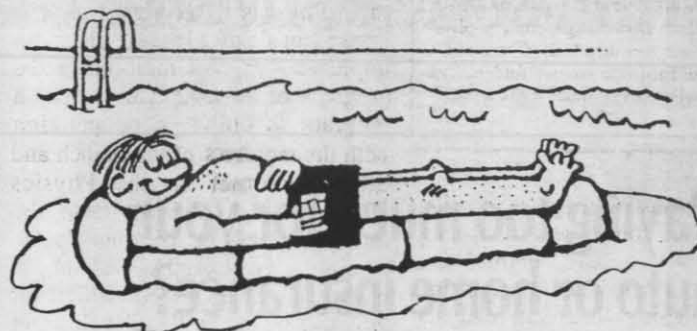
All enlisted families are now able to use either the Top-4 Mess (former the Chief Petty Officers' Mess) pool

or the Enlisted Mess pool. All those eligible for the Top-4 Mess pool, and who choose to use this facility, will pay the Top-4 Mess membership price.

The Top-4 Mess pool has reopened after being closed for some repairs. Hours of operation are from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Daily fees for all outdoor pools are \$1.50 for military, \$2 for others and children under five are admitted for free.

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## PWOC making plans for annual Ice Cream Social

On Tuesday, July 19, the Protestant Women of the Chapel will be hosting their 37th annual ice cream social on the All Faith Chapel's lawn from 6 to 8:30

Besides the good food and fellowship, activities will be available for the kids — helium balloons, duck pond, pick-a-pocket lady, tattoos, and many others.

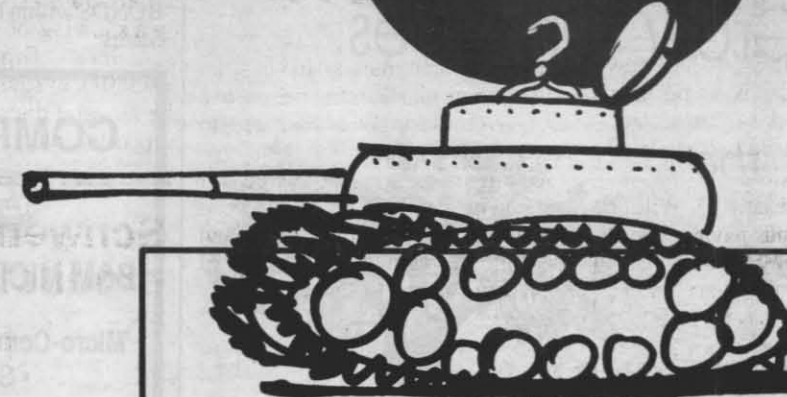
The Dixieland Band will also be on hand to add that old time sound that gets everyone to toe tapping. This year there will be a new group featured, Cloggers.

The Cloggers is a dance group and will be performing at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.25 for children 11 and under. Tickets may be purchased after

worship services at the All Faith Chapel on Sundays and in the Chapel office during the week. They will also be available at the door the night of the social.

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## Vickie Galer saluted for CIVMOBEX work

Recently, Vickie Galer, administrative officer, Budget and Resource Analysis Division, Central Staff, was presented a certificate of appreciation by Capt. John Burt, Naval Weapons Center (NWC) Commander, for her participation in the civilian mobilization exercise (CIVMOBEX) 87.

Monitored by the Office of the Secretary of Defense and headquarters staff of the Military Services, CIVMOBEX 87 tested NWC policies, procedures and capabilities in mobilizing the civilian work force to meet wartime mission requirements.

In addition to the play of exercise events, pre-exercise plans and preparedness actions included identi-

cation of the civilian staffing needed for mobilization work, assessment of the availability of current employees, projection of all new-hire requirements, analysis of local labor markets and development of initiatives to minimize the impact of civilian skill shortages on mobilization mission accomplishment.

In making the presentation, Capt. Burt thanked Galer for not only her good work but also all her hard work. "You found out where the problems are and now we can move on them."

Galer noted, "This is a very beneficial exercise. The certificate was totally unexpected, but I am extremely pleased to receive it."



CIVMOBEX 87—Vickie Galer was saluted for her work in the 1987 civilian mobilization exercise. Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, made the presentation of a certificate of appreciation

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For the first time in the history of DFG, big game tags for hunts having quotas will be allocated by computerized random number selection. The public is invited to attend the drawing process tomorrow, July 9, at 9 a.m. in the Resources Agency Auditorium, 1416 Ninth Street in Sacramento.

How will the computerized drawings work?

• Information from applications are keyed into the computer.

• A randomly generated number is assigned to each individual application or party by computer.

• Applications are ranked by assigned numbers, from lowest to highest.

• The computer scans each application according to its number and assigns the first available tag choice.

• As zones/hunts fill, information from selected applications will appear on a large display screen.

• Computer terminals will be staffed by DFG employees for successful applicants to verify their tag choice.

• Lists of successful applicants will be posted at DFG offices the week following the public drawing.

The system brings California's big game drawing program current with other western states and

allows DFG to create a big game hunter data base. The computer conducts the drawings, automatically creating tag labels for successful applicants. For unsuccessful applicants, letters indicating which zones or special hunts have tags remaining on a first-served basis are automatically generated. Lists of successful applicants will be available with the system for DFG wardens to use when checking hunters in the field.

The 1988 pilot program represents only the first step towards accomplishing a fully automated program. Over the next two years, tag applications, regulations booklets and changes, and all licensing requirements will be mailed directly to hunters prior to drawings. With a fully automated program, tags will be generated and mailed promptly to each hunter.



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## Great fishing at lakes, streams and creeks in the Eastern Sierra region

People who took advantage of the three day weekend had great catches in the Eastern Sierra region. One troller caught a seven-pound rainbow at Silver Lake by using a trout fly.

Fishing has been great in both Lone Pine Creek and the Owens River where fish are biting almost anything. For catfish in the river, night crawlers

are still best. Spinner baits should be used for bass fishing.

Limits are being caught throughout the Big Pine area, which has just been planted. Salmon eggs, worms and crickets are the best bet in Big Pine Creek and Baker Creek. Best flies are still the California mosquito and the black gnat.

In the Bishop area, the water is still too low for boats on South Lake. Fishing, however, is good for anglers using night crawlers. The best catches on the Owens River are being caught at Bridges, between Five Bridges and Line Streets. Anglers there are using floating cheese and eggs or lures, such as Mepps Elix, Panther Martin and Kastmaster. At Intake II, anglers are having excellent results by using crappie jigs or green mosquito and bubble combos. Sabrina's best fishing is being done by the rocks, with fish biting garden worms and spinner baits. Some good size fish are being

caught at Pleasant Valley Reservoir on gold Kastmaster, floating cheese and inflated night crawlers.

One pounders, or better, are being caught at the Rock Creek area by anglers using night crawlers, red eggs or marshmallows. In the evenings, fly fishermen are being successful with mosquitos, elk hair caddis and Rock Creek specials. For lures, try spinners, super duper and needlefish.

At Convict Lake, still fishermen are using night crawlers and floating baits. Trolling is best at two colors with trout flies or silver needlefish.

Perch fishing has been great at

Crowley Lake this past week. One-half to over one-pound perch are being caught by anglers in boats using purple and yellow maribou. For trout, night crawlers and worms are producing the best catches.

One- to two-pound rainbows are being hauled in around the June Lake Loop. Trolling is being done at two colors with triple teaser and frog needlefish. Hornberg streamer is best for fly fishing in the early morning or early evening. Red salmon eggs, worms and Zeke's floating bait is best for bait fishing.

Kokanee and small rainbows up to one pound are being caught at Twin Lakes out of Bridgeport. Trollers or people fishing off shore should use yellow marshmallow and eggo combos and trollers can also use red Kastmasters. Spinners, worms or eggs are working best at Robinson Creek. Dry flies are the most popular for fly fishing on East Walker.

Restrictions have been lifted on the upper Owens River until October 1 and anglers can now use bait.

In the Mammoth Lakes area, planters, mostly rainbows, are being caught at Lakes Mary, George and Mamie on floating bait and marshmallows. Nice size rainbows and browns are being landed with salmon eggs and worms in the inlets. Brookies are being hauled in at Twin Lakes with flies, either the black gnat or the Lake

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Lead is found in the air as well as in water supplies. Although only trace amounts are found in the China Lake water supply, water users should all be aware of the adverse health effects such contamination can have and take precautions when using any water supply.

One of the easiest and most effective safety measures recommended by the EPA is to run the water for at least two minutes before using it. This flushes the line and reduces the possibility of increased lead levels. This is particularly true when there has been no use of a water line for at least six hours. Another effective safety measure is using the cold water tap whenever possible. The cold water tends to have a reduced rate of lead residue compared to the hot water tap.

This notice of possible lead contamination has been prepared in compliance with the EPA's public notice requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1986. Questions or comments should be directed to Tom Merendini, Code 2661, of the Public Works Department's Environmental Division.



most often caused by a reaction between soft water and leaded solder joints in the pipes. Currently, federal law requires the use of lead-free material and solder in the pipes of any new water supply. All plumbing repairs or replacements are made with the new lead-free materials.

## Chapel has series on video

"Dealing with depression" is the theme to be covered the next four Sunday mornings in Contemporary Worship at Annex 4 of the Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) All Faith Chapel. Services are set for 9 to 10 a.m.

A video series will be shown each week featuring Christian psychologists Frank Minirth and Paul Meier. The series, "Happiness is a choice," deals with depression.

The Contemporary Worship Service is an outreach ministry of the Protestant congregation of the chapel. For more information please call Eleanor Hartwig at NWC ext. 2873 or Chaplain Beede at NWC ext. 2851.

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Among the major products of the St. Louis-based corporation are the F-18 Hornet, F-15 Eagle, AH-64 Apache, AV-8 Harrier and KC-10 Extender aircraft and Tomahawk and Harpoon missile systems.

Second place for 1987 went to the 1986 leader, General Dynamics Corp. with \$7 billion in prime contract awards. Its major products

include the F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft, M-1 Abrams tank, nuclear submarines and MK 15 close-in weapon system as well as the Tomahawk, Sparrow and RIM-66 standard missile systems.

Others in the top 10 were: General Electric Co. (\$5.8 billion), Lockheed Corp. (\$5.6 billion), General Motors Corp. (\$4.1 billion), Raytheon Co. (\$3.8 billion), Martin Marietta Corp. (\$3.7 billion), United Technologies Corp. (\$3.6 billion), Boeing Co. (\$3.5 billion) and Grumman Corp. (\$3.4 billion).

## MIPIs from procurement

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VHS format. For these FSG's, NWC now has authority to make local class waivers.

Currently, Supply is compiling the necessary data needed to run a "sources sought" ad for FSG 6700 (photographic equipment). And

while they are aware of the many items required by our technical community, the Supply folks would like to let it be known that they invite your ideas for other products that should be considered for waivers, just give Barbara Ayers (NWC ext. 2043 or 2087) a call.

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## NWC supports Night Attack AV-8B Harrier

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cost of the aircraft less than four percent.

The operational evaluation of the full-scale development (FSD) AV-8B Night Attack Aircraft (CUM-87) was just successfully completed by Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5) under Major Willie Bain's cognizance. The Night Attack AV-8B is now in production and fleet introduction is scheduled for October, 1989.

As the WSSA for the AV-8B aircraft, the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department has been gearing up to assume the software and weapons integration responsibility for the AV-8B Night Attack aircraft. A major event was the transfer of the FSD aircraft to NWC this month.

"In preparation," Underwood added, "we have been building extensive support facilities, including a night vision lab for night vision goggle development and testing." Soon to be completed is a NAV FLIR integration lab to test the system and software capability of the FLIR and a mission computer and display computer workstations to develop and validate software changes.

Iwamura noted the vertical and

short takeoff and landing jet "provides capabilities of operating from an austere airstrip or assault landing ships as well as conventional sites. This can now be done safely at night."

Along with nighttime safety, the Harrier increases the efficiency and effectiveness of launch and recovery, aerial refueling, formation flight and other routine operations to provide around-the-clock combat capability.

Night capability is accomplished by use of complementary night vision devices which enable the retention of the pilot's natural head-up visual capability and perspective previously lost during darkness. The devices include a forward looking infrared (FLIR) sensor, FLIR imaging displayed on the raster scan head-up display (HUD), digital map set (DMS), and night vision goggles (NVG) for the pilot, along with cockpit lighting that is compatible with the goggles.

The FLIR is a fixed wide field-of-view 20° x 30° navigation (NAV) FLIR consisting of two units, a sensor unit and an electronics unit. The FLIR sensor unit, mounted on the nose of the aircraft and aligned 7.25

degrees below the aircraft water line, includes a scanner, telescopic assembly, and cryogenic cooling unit.

The DMS consists of two units, a digital memory unit and a digital map computer. The displayed map image provides position and terrain awareness information. Map overlays such as threat, intelligence and route data are derived from the data storage set and may be preprogrammed and/or entered during flight.

The NVGs are Cats Eyes, third-generation MK4 models, mounted on the front of the flight helmet in a binocular configuration.

The crew station lighting is designed so as not to interfere with NVG operation and to be daylight readable. All lights are NVG-compatible green with the exception of the yellow master caution, red master warning lights, and landing gear warning lights.

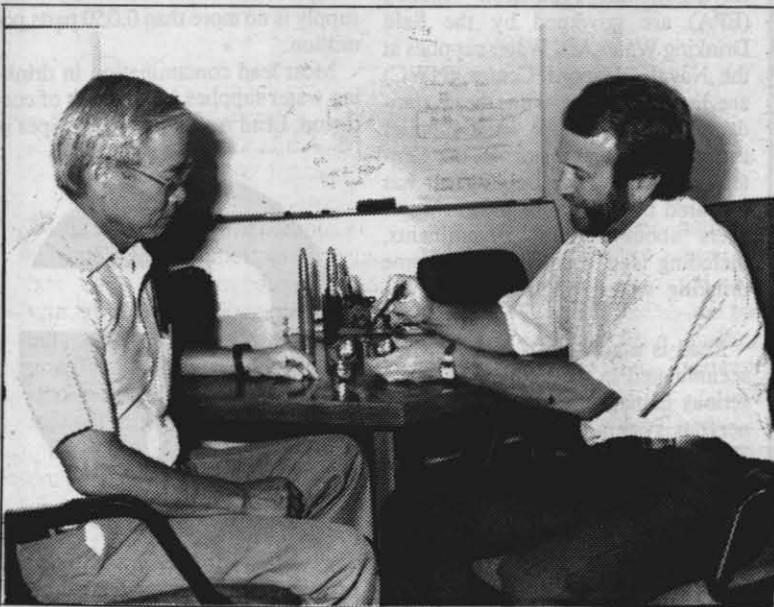
The NVG and DMS will also be incorporated into the F/A-18D Hornet Night Attack Program.

In discussing the new system, Underwood observed, "The night attack presents interesting problems. To test and use it, we will be flying at

strange times when the moon is at a certain phase and angle, flying from two hours after sunset and two hours before sunrise. This will require coordination between our office, the

range and the airfield."

The AV-8B Night Attack System has provided the power to see in the dark. We can put away the candles now.



**NIGHT VISION**—Don Iwamura and Steve Underwood of the AV-8B WSSA discuss the fine points of the night vision system used in the Night Attack Harrier. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

### Author seeks details from Vietnam Veterans

Noted author and military historian, Eric Hammel, is presently collecting detailed, first-hand accounts of military actions by Navy people

associated with the 1968 Tet Offensive for a book on the subject.

Anyone who was in Vietnam between January 29 and April 1,

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## Top fire inspector's award goes to Zurn

Recently, Fire Prevention Inspector Kenneth V. Zurn, Fire Division, Safety and Security Department, was selected by the U.S. Navy Fire Protection Association to receive the Charles B. Gindele Award for 1987 for outstanding service in the field of fire protection.

Zurn's nomination letter prepared by the Fire Division, stated, "Fire Prevention Inspector Kenneth V. Zurn proves day in and day out that he is a highly committed and motivated individual. He exudes professionalism in all that he does. His dedication and self-sacrifice in teaching military, civilians and children of the devastating effects of uncontrolled fire has been outstanding."

For the past two years, Zurn has been in charge of the High Desert Fire Prevention Association's Fire Prevention Week, Team Teaching, and Poster and Essay Contest Programs. His duties include serving as master of ceremonies and director of a three-act play, *Formative Years*, put on for 5,000 local school children. Under Zurn's leadership, malicious false alarms on-center have been reduced over 50 percent and fires in Eastern Kern County started by children have been reduced by 40 percent.

Zurn believes, "The youth are our

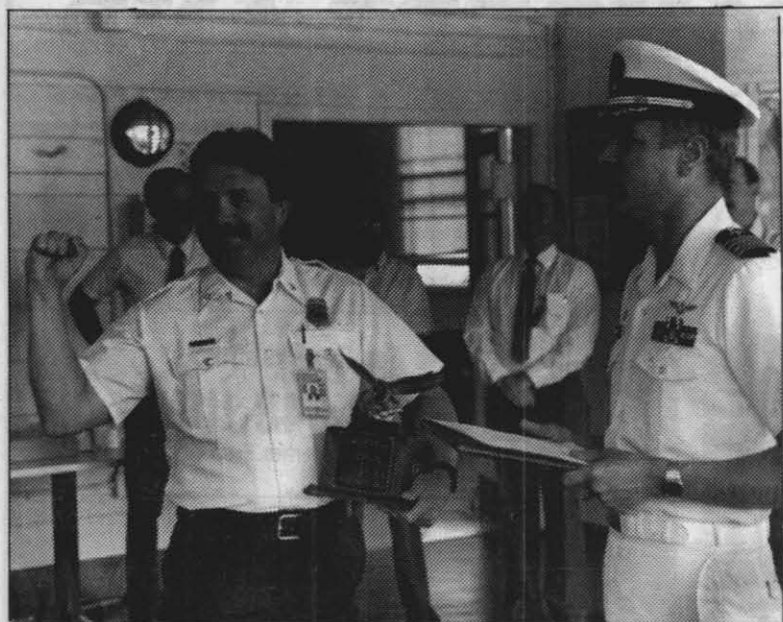
future. When we are old and gray and want to reap our rewards, the only way we can do that is through young people."

Zurn is responsible for inspecting Michelson Laboratory and 405 other buildings housed on over 500,000 acres of land. So far, he has found, documented and corrected 1,807 discrepancies out of 2,237.

In addition to his firefighter duties and training requirements, Zurn is active in community events and programs including the Community Connection for Child Care, the Indian Wells Valley Swim Team, Little League and Pop Warner Football teams, and head cook on the Fire Division's famed Chili Cooking Team. He started and conducted the first Baby-sitter Fire Prevention Seminars on Center.

Regarding his award, Zurn notes, "I received this because the Fire Prevention Branch I work in has been so supportive and carried me. I wouldn't have gotten it without their help. Unfortunately, there is only one award."

Regarding fire prevention, Zurn comments, "We as a society spend billions on fire damage and protection but little money on prevention. If we change our way of thinking we can turn fire loss and damage around."



**HAPPY MAN** — Ken Zurn shows his emotions after receiving the Charles B. Gindele Award as top fire prevention inspector in the U.S. Navy's Fire Protection Association from Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

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