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Desert Planters of Ridgecrest will host a panel discussion on Wed., Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. The speakers will talk about their plans for the future of Ridgecrest. The meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Speakers will be Bettye Jane Tiffany, Bill Bersie, Rex Smith, Damon Edwards, Pat Rogers and Earl Powers.

Raising money for cancer research at St. Judes Children's Hospital is the goal for the Bike-a-thon at Burroughs High School track, Sat., Sept. 24. The participant who brings in the most money will receive a 12-speed bicycle donated by Coast to Coast hardware. For more information contact Denise Foster at 375-5862 or Craig Pelz at 375-7325.

Discover 'Discovery Days' at the Maturango Museum from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sept. 24 & 25. Special programs include behind the scenes tours, 'Desert Alive' history, Indians, geography and 'Rain Shadow.'

Sondheim, Strauss, Sousa, Suppe and other popular composers will be featured in the program for the Desert Community Orchestra Pops Concert on Oct. 1 at the Officers' Club.

A no-host picnic will be served on the lanai at 5:00 and the concert will begin at 7:30. Admission to the concert is free.

Movies

FRI, SAT. SEPT. 23-24
"EMPIRE OF THE SUN"
Starring
John Malkovich and Miranda Richardson
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SUNDAY SEPT. 25
"THE FOX AND THE HOUND"
(Animated, rated G, 82 min.)

WED. SEPT. 28
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Starring
River Phoenix and Meredith Salenger
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Long Jump garners solid data

Living and working at the 12,400 foot level of the White Mountains is not a run-of-the-mill activity for Naval Weapons Center (NWC) employees. Neither is looking down at a speeding aircraft flying a mission at 11,500 feet.

From August 8 to August 27, NWC employees, contractors and representatives of the Army and Air Force did all that and more as they took part in Long Jump III, a program aimed at obtaining infrared signatures of aircraft from a ground-

based test station.

Brent Hedman, who heads the Weapons Department's Target Signatures Program Office, coordinated Long Jump III and said "the test this year was extremely successful. The equipment that participants bring is

what makes the test. We saw a lot of new and novel instrumentation, and a lot of state-of-the-art instrumentation at Long Jump III."

Previous Long Jumps were conducted in 1985 and 1986, again at the Barcroft Laboratory in White Moun-

tains east of Bishop. Hedman noted the facility provided a unique setting for obtaining aircraft infrared signatures.

The participants were able to take measurements on 15 different air- (Continued on Page 12)



LOW PASS—Participants in Long Jump III at Barcroft Laboratory in the White Mountains seek the infrared signature on the aircraft as it speeds past them. TID Photo

Superior Service honors for Byrne

Robert A. Byrne, a Naval Weapons Center employee since 1969, received the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award from Vice Admiral John H. Fetterman, Commander Naval Air Force U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMNAVAIRPAC), last month for his work as science advisor over the past two years in San Diego.

Capt. John Burt, Naval Weapons Center Commander and Gerry Schiefer, Technical Director, both attended the presentation.

Byrne is now part of the new NWC Systems Engineering Department. "Robert Byrne is a brilliant and innovative manager who is constantly probing for ways to achieve the excellence he expects in our fighting forces...His achievements have been important to the fighting capability of the U.S. Navy," read VAdm. Fet-

terman's recommendation for this award.

Admiral David Jeremiah, Commander In Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet, signed the citation which read in part, "Byrne's outstanding performance, sound judgment, and inspiring technical leadership contributed significantly to the operational readiness of the U.S. Pacific Fleet. His unflagging dedication to mission accomplishment, distinctive initiative, and loyal devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself."

As COMNAVAIRPAC's science advisor through the Navy Science Assistance Program (NSAP), Byrne assisted and advised VAdm. Fetterman and his staff in the identification of technical problems impacting fleet combat operational readiness. He was also the primary interface (Continued on Page 7)

Discovery carries vital parts from NWC

When the space shuttle Discovery blasts off next Thursday, it will be watched with more than casual interest by a large number of China Lakers.

Nearly two years of development and testing by members of the Aerosystems Department at the Naval Weapons Center have gone into a critical shuttle system. It is a system no one here wants to see used; the emergency escape system for Discovery's five-member crew.

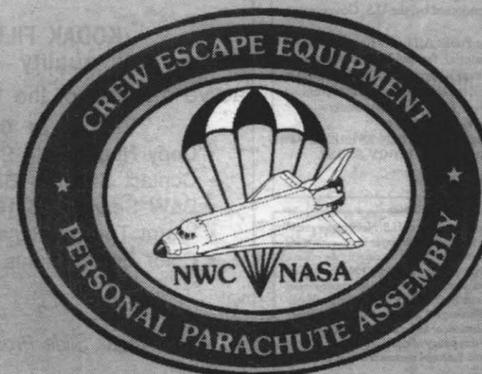
On Tuesday, the final parachute drop tests of the escape system were successfully completed 17,000 feet above the Naval Weapons Center.

Russ Bates, Shuttle Crew Escape Equipment System Program mana-

ger, said Tuesday's parachute operations, conducted with articulated dummies, were done using the same type of parachute system the shuttle crew will use for takeoff and landing in the Discovery and in future missions.

China Lake's involvement in developing a crew escape system has been an intense one. Since first contacted by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in December 1986, Aerosystems Department personnel have, from scratch, designed, fabricated and successfully tested the parachute and parachute harness now installed onboard Discovery.

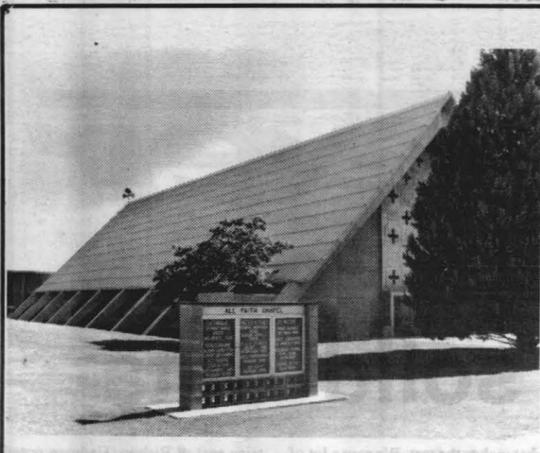
Seven parachute packs (one for



each of the five crewmembers and two spares) were packed here and flown by a T-39 to Cape Canaveral two weeks ago in time for the dress rehearsal of the launch.

In addition, all the concept validation and verification testing of the telescoping pole escape system has been conducted by the Aerosystems Department. The department also tested the extractor rocket escape system NASA rejected in favor of the telescoping pole.

Two test parachutists from the Aerosystems Department's Parachute Test Operations Branch are the only two men to have tested the complete escape system, including partial pres- (Continued on Page 10)



Divine Services

Temporary Schedule for Protestants

Sunday Worship Service (NWC Theater) 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday Mass (East Wing) 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. Officers' Christian Fellowship
 Christian Military Fellowship

Islamic

Jumaa Prayer (Friday in Annex 4) 12:00 p.m.

Temporary Schedule for Roman Catholics

Sunday Mass (Blessed Sacrament Chapel) 8:00 a.m.
 Sunday Mass (East Wing) 9:00 a.m.
 Daily Mass (Monday thru Friday) 11:35 a.m.
 Confession (Monday thru Friday) any time by appt.
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 Religious Education Classes (Sunday) 10:30 a.m.
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The blood test analysis will include: total cholesterol, high density lipoproteins, low density lipoproteins, total cholesterol/HDL risk ratio, triglycerides and glucose. The same laboratory that was used last spring will again be doing the analyses.

The cost for the analysis is \$14 and must be paid at the time of the draw. Please make checks out to MWR (Morale, Welfare & Recreation Department). Appointments will be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 only at NWC ext. 2548 beginning Sept. 26. This is an appointment number only.

People having their blood drawn should not eat any food or drink anything other than water for 12 hours before the blood draw. The draws will be from 7 to 10 a.m. on the dates and at the locations listed below.

If you have further questions or need addition information, call Betty Miller, Wellness Program manager, NWC ext. 3162.

Dates	Locations
Oct. 12	IOB (Bldg. 32544) Conference Room
Oct. 13	Range Headquarters Conference Room
Oct. 14	Hangar 3 Pilot's Lounge
Oct. 18	WSSA Bldg., Room 223
Oct. 19	EWTES Fire Station
Oct. 20	Main Site, EM Club CLPL Salt Wells Aid Station
Oct. 21	Main Site, EM Club
Oct. 25	Main Site, EM Club
Oct. 26	PW A/C Shop Lunch Room
Oct. 27	Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room
Oct. 28	Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room
Nov. 1	Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room
Nov. 2	Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room
Nov. 3	CLPL Salt Wells Aid Station Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room
Nov. 4	Michelson Laboratory, Little D Conference Room

The NWC Wellness Program is in the process of developing a walking club. We are in need of a name. We could use NWC Walking Club, but with all of the creative people out there, we figured that you could think of a clever name. Please submit your suggestions to Betty Miller, Code 09. Thanks.

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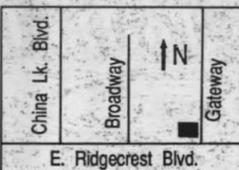
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QUESTION

I tried to get cable TV, Three Palm Cable, but I was told I had to get Desert Cable on base because there is a government contract. I can understand that, if this is a government contract, this is the way they have to do it, but since I am paying for it out of my own pocket, I feel I should have a choice, regardless of whether I live on base or not. I don't think it is interfering with the contract. There are a lot of people who probably would rather have a choice, regardless of the contract. Thank you.

ANSWER

There have been a number of inquiries from military and civilian families living in Center housing on why they cannot obtain cable television service from Three Palms Cable of Ridgecrest.

Cable TV (CATV) service on the Naval Weapons Center is currently being provided by Desert Cable TV of Ridgecrest. The contract was awarded to Desert Cable TV on January 18, 1982, by the Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, San Bruno, Calif. It was a five-year contract with a five-year option; the five-year option was signed in January 1987, thereby extending the contract to January 18, 1992.

Desert Cable TV has recently completed a survey of its customers in Ridgecrest and China Lake to determine what other CATV programming is desired; the company is currently evaluating the survey results. Desert plans to expand their CATV programming capability from 40 channels to 60 channels in the Ridgecrest and China Lake areas within the next few months. This increased service will be provided at no additional cost, according to Desert Cable.

While the City of Ridgecrest has chosen to allow two CATV companies to compete for the cable TV market, I feel that adequate service is currently being provided by Desert and that a second system of cabling would only add to the present congestion of overhead and underground utilities. When the present contract expires in January of 1992, Three Palms Cable, as well as other qualified companies, will be invited to bid on the new contract.

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.

President urges members to exercise voting rights

The following remarks are excerpted from the text of President Reagan's speech given during Armed Forces Voters Week, Aug. 29 through Sept. 2.

"As your Commander-In-Chief, I want to encourage each of you and your eligible dependents to vote. I know that because of the nature of your job in the military, over 90 percent who vote, vote

through the absentee process. It's not as easy as going to the polling place on Election Day, but it is easier than ever before. Each military unit has a voting assistance officer to help you. It will only take a few minutes to send in your request for an absentee ballot. Now is the time to act. See your Voting Assistance Officer today. Let's make 1988 the year we can

all say we helped choose our leaders for the future. Choose the candidates you believe will be the best for you. Don't let somebody else decide for you. Democracy can't be of the people and for the people if it isn't by the people. Be sure to exercise your right to vote. The voting assistance officer at NWC is RMCS Fulcher at NWC ext.3043 or 2291.

Veterans eligible for wide range of benefits from their country

Post-Vietnam-era veterans are the target of a Veterans Administration outreach program aimed at making them aware of benefits available to them, their dependents and survivors. Some of the benefits can be used by active duty personnel, and some of the more important benefits are the home loan program, medical care, life insurance and — of course — education. These are briefly described below.

VA home loan
The home loan guaranty program is perhaps the most popular VA benefit. Under it, a service member or veteran can buy a home worth up to \$144,000 with no down payment. "To be eligible for a VA home loan, veterans who enlisted on or after Sept. 7, 1980, must serve at least 24 months on active duty," said a VA spokesman. "Those

who served before that date must have served at least 90 days during a wartime period or 181 consecutive days during peacetime to be eligible. "National Guardsmen and reservists usually are not entitled to VA home loans, but may be eligible for a Certificate of Veterans Status, which enables them to obtain FHA (Federal Housing Administration) loans with no down payment on the first \$25,000. The certificates are processed by the VA and may be obtained from any regional office," he added.

Medical care
Medical care is considered a major benefit. The Veterans Administration operates the largest hospital system in the Free World and treats nearly 100,000 inpatients daily at some 172 medical centers throughout the nation.

Thousands more are treated as outpatients. "VA also operates nursing homes and readjustment-counseling veterans centers. VA nursing homes and domiciliary care for more than 39,000 veterans a year," said the spokesman. Priority care is given to those with service-connected disabilities, but according to a 1986 VA survey, about six percent of VA hospital patients were post-Vietnam-era veterans. VA medical care can be a backup for veterans, who, for instance, are going to school and have only a small income and are not covered by a hospital plan. Priority hospital care is available to veterans who: •Have a service-connected disability; (Continued on Page 4)

Ceremony pays tribute to nation's POWs/MIAs



"WE MUST NOT FORGET" — says Capt. Paul Valovich, at the POW/MIA balloon release ceremony held last Saturday. He was discussing the sacrifices the POWs and MIAs made for this nation. The purpose of this annual event, sponsored by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 283, is to focus attention on the POW/MIA situation and help persuade governments in Southeast Asia to cooperate in a final accounting of these men and women. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

"We are gathered here this morning to pay tribute to some of my shipmates and some of your comrades. These courageous men are the object of what has become National Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Day," said Master of Ceremonies Capt. Paul Valovich, the Naval Weapons Center's vice commander, as he addressed the crowd at the POW/MIA balloon release held last Saturday.

The POW/MIA balloon release is sponsored annually by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 283 to bring attention to the nation of the men and women still unaccounted for in Southeast Asia. Mike Pruitt opened the ceremonies with a prayer for the Americans that still haven't returned home from Southeast Asia.

Frank Varga, a disabled veteran from World War II and a guest speaker, spoke about his recent flight on a B-25 bomber, and the memories it invoked about his time as a bombardier in WWII.

According to the vice commander, 591 POWs were released and 190 sets of remains, identified as American MIAs have been returned since the Viet Nam Peace Accords

were signed in 1973. Two thousand three hundred ninety Americans, however, are still unaccounted for. Two hundred forty three of those are from California.

"Certainly an explanation of the significance of this day is in order," said Capt. Valovich. "We have a Memorial Day... to honor those who have died in all our nation's conflicts. Veteran's Day has been established to honor all those who fought in our wars — both those who fell and those who returned home. But what about those who are unaccounted for? And what about those who were POWs and returned? We must never forget who they were, what they did, the sacrifices they made, and what those sacrifices meant," he added.

"We, as a country, must use every available resource to achieve the fullest possible accounting of our friends, relatives, shipmates and comrades still missing in Southeast Asia. We must not forget," concluded the captain.

The ceremonies ended with special guest Nedra Volz, a co-star of Different Strokes television series, releasing 2400 red, white and blue balloons, each representing a MIA.

Benefits continuing for post-war vets

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- Retired from active duty for a disability incurred or aggravated while in military service;
- Receive a VA pension;
- Are eligible for Medicaid;
- Are former POWs;
- Have conditions related to exposure to dioxin, Agent Orange or other toxic substance while serving in Vietnam;
- Were possibly exposed to ionizing radiations from participating in nuclear tests or in the American occupation of Hiroshima or Nagasaki, Japan, between Sept. 11, 1945, and July 1, 1946; and
- Are single and earn less than \$15,833 per year (\$18,999 for married veterans).

Life Insurance
Veterans have up to one year to convert their Servicemen's Group Life Insurance policy to low-cost Veterans Group Life Insurance, both administered by the Veterans Administration. But they are limited to the amount of insurance they had—up to

\$50,000—before being discharged. Policies are available on:

- Service members honorably discharged on or after Aug. 1, 1974;
- Reservists who, while on active duty or inactive duty for training, suffer an injury or disability that makes them uninsurable at standard commercial premium rates; and
- Members of the Individual Ready Reserve and Inactive National Guard.

Active duty personnel can convert to the Veterans Group Life Insurance within 120 days after separation without any lapse in coverage. However, the veteran is eligible for the policy up to one year after separation.

"You're covered almost automatically," said Chris Scheer, director of VA's Field Operations Service. "An option at discharge time can convert a military policy to a five-year group insurance plan at a very low cost. The time to think about that is while people are on active duty."

The policy can remain in force for up to five years. Then the veteran has the right to convert to a commercial

policy at standard rates, regardless of health.

Special rules apply for disabled veterans.

For more information, contact the local VA office, or write to: Office of Servicemen's Group Life Insurance, 213 Washington St., Newark, N.J. 07102 or call (201) 877-7676.

Educational benefits

There are three education programs available to veterans: the non-contributory GI Bill; Veterans' Educational Assistance Program; and the Montgomery GI Bill.

The non-contributory, or Vietnam-era GI Bill, expires on Dec. 31, 1989, and will be replaced by the Montgomery GI Bill. The non-contributory bill covers veterans with service between Feb. 1, 1955, and Dec. 31, 1976.

"We've had 631,731 active duty service persons file claims (through May 1988) for the Vietnam-era GI Bill," said the spokesman.

Active duty personnel and veterans who entered service after Dec. 31, 1976, and contributed between \$25

and \$100 a month, up to a maximum of \$2,700, are eligible for the Veterans' Educational Assistance Program.

The government contributes \$2 for every \$1 the service member deposits in the special training fund. Participants receive monthly payments for the number of months they contributed. However, March 31, 1987, was the cutoff date for enrollment.

"We've had 5,794 claims for VEAP," the spokesman said. "It's a little early for the Montgomery GI Bill. We've only got 165 claims, mostly from people who left the service before completing their enlistments. But they didn't have full eligibility. On the other hand, we've processed about 100,000 claims for members of the Selected Reserves and National Guardsmen. This is the first time VA education benefits have been available to these reserve components."

Members of the Selected Reserve are eligible if they enlisted, re-enlisted or extend an enlistment for a six-year period after June 30, 1985. Full-time

payment for them is \$140 a month for 36 months.

Under the Montgomery GI Bill, active duty service members contribute \$100 a month for the first 12 months of their service. This \$1,200 contribution entitles them to \$300 a month basic benefits for 36 months (\$250 a month for 36 months if their initial obligation is less than three years).

More detailed information can be obtained from local VA offices or the individual military services.

VA educational benefits can be used in any public or private elementary, high, vocational, correspondence or business school, junior or teachers college, normal school, college or university, professional, scientific or technical institution, or any other institution that furnished education at the secondary school level or above.

VA also has special education and training programs for disabled veterans, survivors and dependents.

New bulk trash pickup announced

Housing says... The new schedule for bulk trash collection is the third Thursday of each month. Just put items such as furniture, carpeting and old fencing material on the curb by 6 a.m. and it will be hauled away by the contractor. Tree branches and old fencing material must be cut to 3-foot lengths and bundled at not more than 70 pounds.

If you have any questions concerning bulk trash collection, please contact Eva McCaughan at NWC ext. 3411/417.

Survey's serious savings

Savings is the key word at Navy exchanges as a result of a recent price-comparison survey. Average overall savings at the Navy exchanges were determined to be 21.2 percent in the latest study, conducted by an independent market research firm.

Erhart-Babic, the market research firm, compared approximately 300 identical items in Navy exchanges and in three to five nearby commercial retail outlets. The items selected represented a cross-section of items from each department that customers normally buy.

Prices at Navy exchanges in eight CONUS locations were compared with those of nearby commercial

stores and the average resulted in the 21.2 percent savings. The eight exchanges were NSB Bangor, Wa.; NSB New London, Ct.; NAS Jacksonville, Fla.; NAS Alameda, Calif.; NAB Little Creek, Va.; NTC Great Lakes, Ill.; NAS Memphis, Tenn.; and NS San Diego, Calif.



The price comparison survey included state and local taxes in the commercial outlets where applicable but did not include uniform items at the exchanges.

Each year, the Navy Resale and Services Support Office (NAVRESSO) based in Staten Island, N.Y., conducts price comparison surveys to evaluate savings provided to customers. RAdm. Rodney K. Squibb, Commander, NAVRESSO, said he is pleased that Navy exchanges are continuing to meet their savings goal. "We are dedicated to improving the quality of life of our customers," said RAdm. Squibb, "and will continue to provide the best values that we can at the Navy Exchange."

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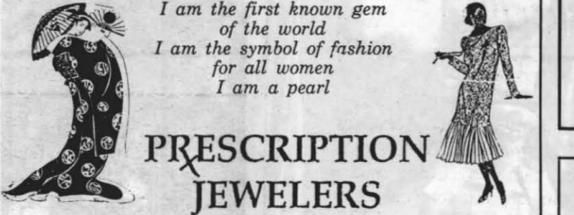
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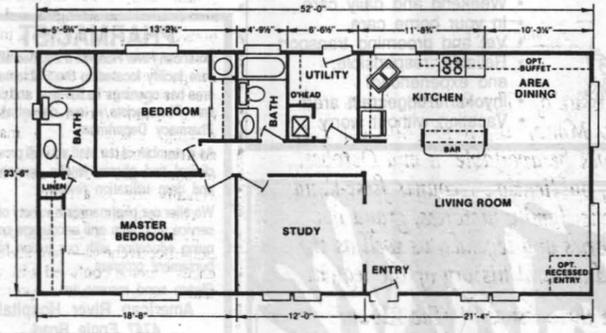
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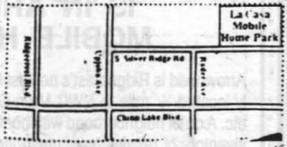
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The first three issues of 'The Album' featured a photo essay on the restoration of the famed Cerro Gordo mining town in southern Inyo County, a never-before published journal telling what it was like to come to the Owens Valley in the early 1900s, and the story of the two Bentons in Mono County.

Some of the stories in the October issue will be 'Here My People Lived,' a surprising weather anomaly, a little celebration of Inyo County Free Library's 75th anniversary, and a fascinating documentation of the last days of freighting by horse team, written for his family by John Schober.

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Personnel development opportunity

STYLEMETRICS: SKILLS IN LEADERSHIP AND TEAM EFFECTIVENESS (16 hours)

December 7 and 8, 0800-1600, Training Center. By Bob Burgee.

Intended Audience: Experienced supervisors and managers. Scope: This course should provide the participant with objective, definitive feedback on his or her personal style from three perspectives: as he sees himself; as he believes others see him; and as others do see him. It will also expand the participant's understanding of others' styles and their contribution to the organization. It also defines the strengths and limitations of each style in sharing information, setting objectives, problem solving, influencing/directing, measuring/controlling, structuring time, planning/prioritizing, decision making, delegating and managing conflict. Finally, it will promote the productive use of staff strengths, individually and as a team.

The seminar agenda is:
1. Personal, Team and Organization Effectiveness — how style differences become confused with competence issues — the importance of

description vs evaluation — discussion of the implications of personal style on leadership and performance.

2. Personal Style Profiles — examining the results of the Personal Style Inventory — interpreting the feedback — comparing the "audience" results with personal estimates — analyzing strengths and limitations.

3. Negotiation, Coaching and Conflict Management — developing strategies for dealing with persons of similar and different style tendencies — skill development exercises for creating situational change.

4. Elements of Teamwork — team criteria examined — leadership roles defined — function of the participant as a team member and channel for communication.

Training Materials: Each participant receives a Stylemetrics Profile Packet prior to the seminar. This packet is used to generate the three profiles the participant receives in the seminar. The packet contains the Personal Style Inventories which the participant completes and the five inventories which the participant gives to others to be completed and returned to

Burgee Associates in the postage-paid envelope provided in the packet. In addition, the participant receives a 180-page study guide in a three-ring binder. This book contains all the relevant profile material, units on teamwork, motivation and process intervention, plus the exercises used during the course to develop and internalize the concepts and discoveries.

Note: Due to the need for course participants to complete the stylemetrics profile to the seminar, the deadline must be adhered to.

Deadline: October 21.

BASIC PROGRAMMING (40 hours)

October 24 - November 16; Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 0800-1130; Training Center. By D. Vaughn, Code 224.

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Intended Audience: Beginning programmers of BASIC.

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New mileage rate approved for travel

After weeks of rumors, official notice has been received by message from the Per Diem Allowance Committee in Washington that the new mileage allowance for privately owned conveyance (POV) while on official travel has changed to 22.5 cents per mile (previously 21 cents per mile).

According to the message, the new rate became effective Aug. 14. The Travel Voucher Section is using the new rate for any travel performed following the Aug. 14 date.

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LCdr. Titi relieves Cdr. Hermann at clinic

Hail and farewell was the theme at the Naval Weapons Center's Branch Medical Clinic recently as Cdr. Dean Hermann, officer in charge, was relieved by LCdr. Richard Titi. Cdr. Hermann came to the clinic on Oct. 1, 1985 and left for a post as executive officer at the Naval Medical Clinic at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

An active community member, Cdr. Hermann served on the board of directors for COSAA (Council on Substance Abuse and Alcohol). He also helped organize and served as the first president of the local Vietnam Veterans of America chapter. He was membership chairman for the Full Gospel Business Men's

Fellowship International of Ridgecrest.

LCdr. Titi (pronounced Tie-Tie) reports to the clinic from the Fleet Marine Force Atlantic in Norfolk, Va., where he was Force dental administrative officer since 1985.

"This is an excellent opportunity available to few medical service corps officers as a lieutenant commander. I'm looking forward to doing great things over the next three years," said Titi. He and his wife, Patricia, and their three-year-old daughter, Chelsea, live onboard the Naval Weapons Center.

Prior to his tour in Norfolk, Titi served on the USS John F. Kennedy (Continued on Page 8)

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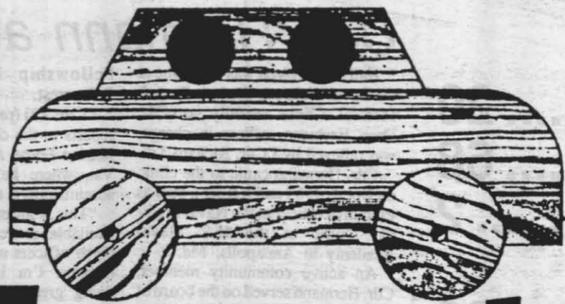


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Speeders take heed of radar

Motorists on board the Naval Weapons Center (NWC) are reminded that China Lake Police Division (CLPD) officers enforce state and NWC traffic regulations.

According to Kerry B. Swiggum, traffic manager, CLPD Operations Branch, areas of concentration for radar traffic enforcement for next week are listed below.

- Monday — Poleline Road.
- Tuesday — Inyokern Road.
- Wednesday — Sandquist Road.
- Thursday — Inyokern Avenue.
- Friday — Richmond Road.

Violations may be cited at anytime as well as in areas other than the ones mentioned above.

No parking in gym lot

Due to the repaving of the parking lot in front of the Naval Weapons Center's gym; Morale, Welfare & Recreation Department; and Information, Ticket and Tour (ITT) Office located in the Bennington Plaza, parking spaces will be limited.

The contractors have stated that the repaving process should be complete the end of next week. During this time, it is recommended that patrons utilize Schoeffel Field or other parking areas located near their intended destination.

For further information, please call NWC ext. 3387.

Craft Shop annual sale

Save 20 percent off the regular price of items at the Craft/Hobby Center pre-inventory sale on September 23, 24, 26, 27 and 28. Some items will even be marked down 30 to 50 percent!

Mugs, t-shirts, hats and plaques are not included in this sale.

The Craft/Hobby Center will be closed Sept. 29 and 30 for inventory.

Satellite show set for Oct. 4

On Oct. 4, "The Interdisciplinary World of Computing" will be shown by satellite at the Heritage Inn in Ridgecrest. Co-sponsored by the Computer Society Technical Activities Board and the Educational Activities Board of IEEE, the videoconference will be shown from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Cost is only \$3 for members (IEEE or Computer Society) and \$5 for non-members.

For further information, call Jack Moore at 446-7661 or Dave Koelsch at NWC ext. 1974 or 1961.

Recipients. . .

(Continued from Page 18) exhausted all sick and annual leave. She has applied for a disability retirement and is waiting for the approval. Her husband has also used up his sick and annual leave due to medical reasons.

Glen L. Linden, Facilities Management Specialist, Code 2634 — is presently still off work and his return date is still unknown. He was hospitalized in June and has exhausted all sick and annual leave. The loss of income is a severe hardship for his spouse and family since he is the primary source of income.

Trudy A. Martinez, Purchasing Agent, Code 25224 — is presently in remission from cataract extraction with intraocular lens implant in both eyes. This illness exhausted all her sick and annual leave. Martinez is now back at work and planning to continue with her job.

Thomas A. Boyd, Visual Information Specialist, Code 3414 — is still under the care of a physician and his condition is still unstable at this time; however, he has been working three to four hours a day, as he can. Both sick and annual leave have been exhausted. Boyd is hoping his condition will improve soon so he will be able to return to full-time work.

Advisor to visit

Professor Arnie Roe of Cal-State University Northridge (CSUN) will be on-Center Sept. 28 to advise current and prospective students in the master's degree programs in systems engineering and applied mechanics offered by the school.

Those who wish to see Professor Roe are asked to make an appointment by telephoning Michelle Clark at NWC ext. 2648.

Special classes offered

October is Handicap Awareness Month. In honor of this fact, the Naval Weapons Center's (NWC) Training Center has arranged two special classes. While these classes are highly recommended for supervisors, all NWC employees are welcome to attend.

AIDS UPDATE (2 hours)
October 3, Monday;
0730-0930 or 0930-1130; Training Center. By Dr. J. Wilde.

Scope: According to the U.S. Surgeon General, by the end of 1991 an estimated 270,000 cases of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) will have been diagnosed. Another 179,000 deaths will have occurred due to AIDS.

In this two-hour AIDS Awareness and Education seminar, you will receive up-to-date information about HIV, the virus that causes AIDS and AIDS-related conditions (ARC). You will hear a frank discussion about sexual activities, at-risk behaviors and methods of avoiding infection. Topics include:

- Social, psychological and medical aspects of AIDS and ARC
- Virus transmission, risk factors and high risk behaviors identified as being methods of infection
- Ways of reducing risk of infection
- Legal issues, confidentiality, current and proposed legislation as they pertain to the workplace
- Resources for finding out more information about AIDS.

Note: All supervisors need a yearly EEO update, and this course is strongly recommended.

Deadline: Phone reservations to NWC ext. 2686 through Sept. 30.

and follow through by sending a training request to Code 094.

UPWARD MOBILITY FOR THE HANDICAPPED (2 hours)
October 3, Monday;
1230-1430; Training Center. By Dr. J. Wilde.

Intended Audience: Men and women who are disabled, or who supervise or work with persons with disabilities. This workshop is highly recommended for all persons who want to gain a new perspective on how attitudes about disabilities can impact upon the workplace.

Scope: An exciting two-hour workshop that shows persons with disabilities how to build a game plan for going up the career ladder. In this workshop, you'll learn to deal with frustrations that confront you as you take on the task of upward mobility. Topics include:

- A light-hearted but candid look at how most managers view their roles
- Case studies of persons with disabilities who have made it to the top
- An activity to discover why you really want to go up the career ladder
- A "to do" list to follow before taking the big step toward moving up
- A step-by-step discussion of the "nuts and bolts" of getting to the top

Note: All supervisors need a yearly EEO update and this course is strongly recommended.

Deadline: Phone reservations to NWC ext. 2686 through Sept. 30, and follow through by sending a training request to Code 094.

Donate excess leave

If you are finding yourself in the position of having leave you are going to lose, the Naval Weapons Center's Personnel Department suggests employees consider donating it to another employee who is in need of leave.

Under the Leave Transfer Program, annual leave may be donated to employees who are facing financial hardship due to extended absence from work without pay. Employees may donate up to half of the amount of leave they accrue in a year to fellow employees who have asked to be leave recipients. Most employees

who are in a use-or-lose leave situation are at the maximum leave accrual rate (eight hours per pay period) and may, therefore, donate up to 104 hours of leave to fellow employees in need of leave.

Legislation which established the Leave Transfer Program expires on Sept. 30. Leave donated before that date may be used by the recipient until the donated leave is exhausted or until the need for which the leave was donated ends.

So, if you think you have use-or-lose leave which you may lose, consider donating it before Sept. 30.

Soldering classes to be held October 3 thru 7

Two 40-hour high-reliability soldering courses will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 543 Graaf Street on Oct. 3 through 7.

This course is for government personnel needing certification to DOD-2000 as inspectors or opera-

tors. The requirements for the course are (1) previous soldering experience and (2) a current eye examination.

To be scheduled into a class, contact Soldering Technology Training, Code 36812, 446-5571.

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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. 32-013, Electronics Engineer, DP-855-3, Code 32604 - This position is in the HPM Warhead Project Office of the Conventional Weapons Division. This Project Office is responsible for NAVWPNCEN activities in the weaponization of a new warhead concept and also susceptibility determination of systems to this warhead threat. The incumbent will act as the Systems Engineer for this project and will be responsible for component

technology, system integration, and weapon development and testing when feasibility is established. In addition, the incumbent will technically oversee the analysis and testing to determine the susceptibility of systems to the threat environment and the development of hardening methods. Experience in the concept formulation and development of ordnance systems or components with a strong background in microwave technology is required. To apply send current SF-171 to Mel McCubbin, Code 326, ext. 7303.

No. 36-138, Supervisory Interdisciplinary, General / Electrical/Electronics/ Mechanical Engineer/Mathematician/Computer Scientist/ Operation Research Analyst, DP-801/850/855/830/1520/1550/1515-4, Code 36A - This position is the Head, Production Support Office and is located on the Engineering Department staff. The incumbent will work with Center technical managers to ensure that manufacturing oriented disciplines are appropriately integrated into project planning and then subsequently implemented. The incumbent will provide supervision to a number of senior Production Support Managers that support specific programs assigned. The incumbent is specifically responsible to ensure the following objectives are achieved in a timely

manner on projects assigned:
(1) Manufacturing planning is accomplished early in a program to ensure a smooth transition to production with minimum risks.

(2) Status reviews are conducted during the production phase to determine that technical, schedule, cost, and quality standards are being met.

(3) Manufacturing efforts are constantly reviewed to assess their compliance with program requirements.

(4) Production is appropriately addressed in design reviews to ensure that the system design will lead to efficient and economical quantity manufacture.

(5) Center policies on production support are kept current.

(6) Center policies on production support are being implemented throughout programs.

Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of DOD, Navy, and NAVWPNCEN requirements concerning manufacturing; knowledge of manufacturing disciplines; ability to interact, coordinate, and negotiate with Center management on complex technical and administrative issues; ability to deal effectively with personnel of diverse backgrounds; ability to communicate effectively in writing; ability to make effective presentations to all management levels; ability to plan, organize and prioritize tasks; ability to train/instruct personnel at all levels on issues concerning manufacturing; willingness to support NWC EEO program goals and objectives; skill as a line manager; skill as a project manager. The incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Applicants must already be a DP-4 to apply. To apply, send an updated SF-171 to M. Pladson, Code 3601, NWC ext. 2600. Previous applicants need not reapply.

Leave hours are still in demand!

Eight still on recipient list

Employees indicated below have been approved to become leave recipients under the Leave Transfer Program. These employees have exhausted annual and/or sick leave because of personal emergencies and will be in a non-pay status for at least ten days. Employees who wish to help a leave recipient may donate annual leave to the employee. NAVWPNCEN 12630 provides specific information regarding how to donate annual leave.

Eleanor L. Semore, Senior Purchasing Agent, Code 25222 - has been diagnosed as having cardiovascular disease. She was hospitalized for surgery and was off work from Nov. 18 until July 25. The loss of income is a severe hardship for her and her family. She has exhausted all sick and annual leave.

Kathy Culberson, Computer Systems Analyst, Code 3623 - has been diagnosed as having sarcoidosis which keeps her immune system weak. She is currently under doctor's orders not to return to work. Culberson is a single parent and sole supporter of her family. She has exhausted all sick and annual leave.

George Stillwell, Physicist, Code 3917 - has been diagnosed as having common variable hypogammaglobulinemia. Because of this illness, Stillwell has exhausted his sick and annual leave. His wife, who is a recipient, has also exhausted all her leave.

Stanford S. Foster, Industrial Equipment Mechanic, Code 26 - is still experiencing numbness in left leg and foot due to pinched nerves caused by two ruptured discs in his lower back. He will have to undergo surgery. He is the only source of income for his family and his illness creates a severe hardship. He has exhausted all sick and annual leave.

Jeanie Stillwell, Operations Research Analyst, Code 3918 - has been diagnosed as having chronic fatigue syndrome, which

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Byrne honored for NSAP efforts



BYRNE HONORED--Vice Admiral John Fetterman awards Robert Byrne the Navy Superior Civilian Award while Pat Byrne looks on.

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between the command and the Research, Development, Test & Evaluation Lab/Centers in implementing solutions.

"I am fortunate that I was chosen to be a science advisor," said Byrne. "I was able to interface with operational commands and was exposed to the operational environment that we at the Naval Weapons Center support."

Byrne said he was a "broker" and was able to identify several critical areas of fleet concern and match the

rain; and Mel Foremaster is advising the Commander of the 7th Fleet in Japan.

The selection process for science advisors is coordinated through the Personnel Department and openings are announced in the Rocketeer. Byrne recommends that China Lakers consider this opportunity. "Very few civilians in the Navy can obtain this exposure to our fleet military," he said.

Byrne received a related letter of commendation from Robert E. Stevenson, Deputy Director, Space Oceanography and Fleet Liaison, Office of the Chief of Naval Research. "Your enthusiastic contributions of time and expertise in the resolution of fleet requirements with Navy technology is in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service," said Stevenson.

Byrne's scientific and tactical guidance significantly led to the success of three Office of Naval Research programs and potential acceptance of five others. The three success stories are:

1) The Advanced Tactical Simulation Program is in its final evaluation phase of contingency generation.

2) An Integrated Strike Mission Planning System is being implemented.

3) An introduction of Laser Eye protection into fleet ships and squadrons has begun.

His technical contributions to these programs directly affected operational readiness through improvements in naval warfare capabilities and platform sensor systems.

At NWC since 1969, Byrne's experience includes program management in the Rocketeer and Harpoon projects, time as a division head, special assignment to the office of Secretary of Defense and other field activities.

After six years as an active duty USN submarine officer, Byrne served two years in the Navy Strategic Systems Project Office before joining NWC.



CFC names needed

Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) appeals won't begin until October, but planning has begun. All departments are reminded to call in the name and phone number of their CFC department representative to Loretta King in the Public Affairs Office at NWC ext. 3511. A planning meeting is scheduled for the end of September, so these names are needed as soon as possible.

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Nominations may be obtained from many sources, including U.S. senators, representatives, delegates to Congress, the President and Vice President.

Academically, the Naval Academy is ranked among the country's top accredited colleges and universities, and the well rounded education and the leadership training lead to a bachelor of science degree and a commission as an officer in the Navy or Marine Corps.

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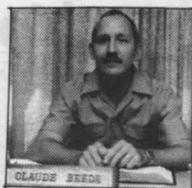
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Titi new clinic director



WELCOME ABOARD, LCDR TITI--Lcdr. Martino and DT2 Rodell Ramos welcome Lcdr. Richard Titi to the Branch Medical Clinic. Lcdr. Titi relieved Cdr. Dean Hermann as officer-in-charge. Cdr. Hermann transferred to Annapolis, Md., as executive officer at the Naval Medical Clinic at the U.S. Naval Academy.

(Continued from Page 5) Va. This assignment was his first as medical administrative officer. In July 1982, he began a two-year tour as manpower management officer at the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth, Va. Prior to his conversion to the Medical Service Corps, he served as a surface line officer for seven years.



I was riding on the American Eagle from Los Angeles Airport to Inyokern the other day. On board, I met a fine gentleman and we began talking together. When he found out that I was a Navy chaplain, his curiosity was aroused. And rightly so, for most people do not understand how ministers become chaplains, and what they do when they are chaplains.

The first question most people ask me when they find out I am a chaplain is, "Are you a non-denominational minister?" The answer to this is that each chaplain is an ordained representative of a particular denomination. Each denomination submits an endorsement allowing its clergymen and women to come on active duty. So, there are no "generic" chaplains. Each chaplain represents his or her denomination on active duty. But, every chaplain facilitates the worship of every individual under his or her care, regardless of faith preference. And chaplains care for all, regardless of their religious beliefs.

Another question that arises is, "What are chaplains doing in the Navy?" The Chaplain Corps was established in 1775 to serve our sailors and marines, and their families, in their spiritual needs. Navy chaplains serve on board ships, minister to the marines on deployment and in the field, are assigned to construction battalions and the Coast Guard, and staff the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. "What do we do?" Many people tease the chaplain about only working one day a week! In reality, the chaplain's duties extend far beyond the leading of worship services on weekends. Worship services are a very important part of the chaplain's duties and obligations, but they are not their only responsibilities. Weddings, funerals and sacramental acts are all an integral part of the chaplain's duties, as are spiritual, emotional and psychological counseling. We are called upon to offer direction to any who approach us for assistance. This may include the sailor or marine going on emergency leave, or the husband and wife who have recently lost their baby. Chaplains visit the sick and act as liaison with Navy Relief, Red Cross and other commands for needs that unexpectedly arise.

The counseling by the chaplain is not limited to spiritual problems, but reaches into all matters of personal life: divorce, depression, suicide, career choices, emotional crises and the like. Chaplains also experience the happier side of life in premarital counseling and baptismal preparations. And, periodically, sailors, marines and civilian personnel pop in the door to perhaps say "Hi" or "Thank you."

Often people are not certain how a chaplain should be treated or approached. I would hope that chaplains are seen as a reminder that God is present even in the military and is interested in all. Remember that chaplains are human beings, and are here to help with whatever need or problem which might arise. Won't you think of us when you have a need or a problem to which we can respond? We are here to help you. God is willing to help you with your problem, and we are here, too. By Lt. C. R. Beede, CHC, USNR Assistant Command Chaplain



Personnel News & Notes

Promotional opportunities

Applications for positions listed below are being accepted from Department of Navy employees currently working at NWC and from eligible employees of attached activities who are permanently assigned to NWC. This group includes employees with career or career conditional appointments; employees with permanent Veterans Readjustment Act (VRA) appointments; temporary employees with reinstatement eligibility; and handicapped employees with Sch. (A) continuing appointments (who may be referred separately when they apply). Also included are spouses, with competitive status, of civilian sponsors hired by a DOD activity within NWC's commuting area. Applications from other groups will be accepted when specified in an advertisement. Vacancies are subject to restrictions imposed by the DOD Priority Placement Program. Applicants must meet all legal and regulatory requirements including minimum qualifications requirements by the closing date of the advertisement. Evaluation of applicant's qualifications will involve using at least two assessment measures (e.g., work experience, annual performance assessment rating and narrative, education, training, performance assessment and awards). Spouses of military sponsors apply at Room 231, same address as shown below.

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. 08-041, Clerk-Typist, DD-322-1/2, Code 0853 - This position is located in the Payroll Branch of the Customer Services Division, Central Staff, and will realign to Code 2853 on 1 October 1988. The incumbent is assigned to the mail desk of the Payroll Branch and is responsible for receiving and routing incoming telephone calls, messages, mail and visitors. Typing is required. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of payroll proceedings, forms and customer requirements; ability to handle several tasks simultaneously; ability to perform under pressure; ability to deal effectively with NWC personnel of all levels. Promotion potential to DG-2.

No. 08-042, Payroll Clerk, DG-544-1/2, Code 0853 - This position is located in the Payroll Branch of the Customer Services Division, Central Staff, and will realign to Code 2853 on 1 October 1988. The incumbent performs routine research of payroll records to correct leave data; prepares changes to employee earnings, deductions and leave records; prepares report of leave and earnings data. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform payroll operations; ability to work without more than normal supervision; ability to work rapidly and accurately with numbers, names codes and symbols. Promotion potential to DG-3.

No. 09-009, Personnel Management Specialist, DA-201-1/2/3, Code 096/097, multiple vacancies - Incumbent serves as Personnel Management Advisor providing advice, counsel, and staff support to line managers in all aspects of personnel administration. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of personnel functions in the following areas: employee relations, staffing, classification, employee development and EEO; knowledge of management principles, practices, methods and techniques; ability to analyze complex problems and recommend a sound solution; ability to apply complex regulations; ability to interact effectively with people at all levels; ability to communicate orally; ability to communicate in writing. Promotion potential to DP-201-3. Status eligibles may apply.

No. 24-009, Firefighter (Instructor) DG-081-3/4, Code 242 - This position is located in the Fire Division of the Safety and Security Department. The incumbent is responsible for the development, coordination, and implementation of the Fire Division duties will include developing lesson plans, maintaining training records, administering training course requirements, and conducting training classes and sessions for the division as well as Center personnel. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fire prevention, fire protection and firefighting methods and techniques; knowledge of firefighter training requirements; ability to instruct others; ability to communicate in writing; ability to communicate orally. Current EMT 1A, Instructor CPR/First Aid certification and Emergency Vehicle Operator/Instructor license is desirable. Promotion potential DG-4.

No. 35-012, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Electronics / Aerospace Engineer/ Engineering Techni-

cian, DP-855/861/802-3/4, Code 35 - This position is located in the Attack Weapons Department, Code 35. The incumbent will fill the role of Deputy Technical Manager on a variety of technical projects. Responsibilities will include, but not be limited to, the following: as full Deputy, supervise various sizable groups of engineering support personnel through subordinate supervisors or team leaders; conceive, organize, plan, and guide daily technical activities; interface, control, direct, coordinate, plan, and schedule across broad organizational lines; monitor technical progress of technical projects; analyze and evaluate technical achievements, status, or deficiencies; and apply tailored requirements of Navy development and acquisition systems. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of hardware and software aspects of weapon and/or avionics systems and subsystems; General knowledge of electronic and mechanical systems, systems integration, development testing; Ability to plan, schedule, coordinate, and monitor technical support activities; Ability to interact with personnel across a broad spectrum of technical disciplines; Ability to communicate clearly, both orally and in writing, and to deal effectively with all levels of management and engineering personnel; Knowledge of affirmative action principles including a willingness to implement EEO practices. Incumbent may have to serve a one year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4, but not guaranteed. Previous applicants need not re-apply.

No. 36-140, Supervisory Interdisciplinary, General/ Electronic/Industrial Engineer/Physicist, DP-

- This position is head of the Electronics Section located in the Systems Electronics Branch of the Systems Engineering Division of the Engineering Department. This section is responsible for analysis, test, evaluation, and production support. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of analog and digital circuit design and analysis techniques; knowledge of and willingness to support NWC EEO program goals and objectives; ability to plan and schedule work as a key team member; ability to communicate with technical and management personnel. The incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Promotion potential DP-3.

No. 36-142, Office Services Assistant, DG-303-1/2, Code 3657 - This position is located in the Technical Data Division of the Engineering Department. Incumbent will mainly provide support to the Computer Aided Engineering Service Center in the areas of equipment inventory, ordering and tracking of supplies, preparation of timecards, and tracking of some budgetary information. Incumbent will also provide clerical support to the division and other branches within the division as needs arise. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to collect, organize, analyze and present information in a logical format; ability to communicate orally and in writing; skill in operating a Macintosh Computer is highly desirable. Promotion potential to DG-2.

No. 36-143, Engineering Technician, DT-802-2/3, Code 3653 - The incumbent ensures that drawing quality, format, and correctness are in compliance with NWC, military, and DoD standards. The incumbent will provide documentation support to major programs. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of drawing practices; knowledge of guidelines and standards for use in preparation of engineering drawings; ability to communicate in writing; ability to communicate orally. Promotion potential to DT-3; however, it is not guaranteed. Status eligibles may apply.

No. 36-144, Supervisory Quality Assurance Specialist, DS/DP-1910-3, Code 36821 - Incumbent will assist in the implementation of quality assurance and quality control practices, principles, methods, techniques and disciplines during the

planning, design, fabrication, testing and production of weapon systems, related equipment and components. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of quality assurance techniques; knowledge of acquisition processes; knowledge of inspection techniques and manufacturing processes; ability to interface effectively with program personnel, Syscom personnel, contractor personnel as well as section personnel; ability to apply quality assurance specifications and instructions to government contracts. Promotion potential to DP-3.

No. 36-145, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (General/Mechanical Engineer), DP-801/830-3/4, Code 36401 - This position is Associate Division Head for Shop Operations, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent supervises organizational functions which are predominantly technical in nature. The primary focus of the time is devoted to directing and actively participating in the technical tasks of the personnel being supervised. Incumbent plans, schedules, budgets, coordinates and conducts phases of technical work of considerable scope and complexity. Incumbent is responsible for the administration and technical management of a number of branches with diverse missions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures and a willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4.

No. 36-147, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Mechanical Engineering/Engineering Technician), DP-802-3/4, Code 36401 - This position is Associate Division Head for Shop Operations, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent supervises organizational functions which are predominantly technical in nature. The primary focus of the time is devoted to directing and actively participating in the technical tasks of the personnel being supervised. Incumbent plans, schedules, budgets, coordinates and conducts phases of technical work of considerable scope and complexity. Incumbent is responsible for the administration and technical management of a number of branches with diverse missions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures and a willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4.

No. 36-148, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Mechanical Engineering/Engineering Technician), DP-802-3/4, Code 36401 - This position is Associate Division Head for Shop Operations, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent supervises organizational functions which are predominantly technical in nature. The primary focus of the time is devoted to directing and actively participating in the technical tasks of the personnel being supervised. Incumbent plans, schedules, budgets, coordinates and conducts phases of technical work of considerable scope and complexity. Incumbent is responsible for the administration and technical management of a number of branches with diverse missions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures and a willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4.

No. 36-149, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Mechanical Engineering/Engineering Technician), DP-802-3/4, Code 36401 - This position is Associate Division Head for Shop Operations, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent supervises organizational functions which are predominantly technical in nature. The primary focus of the time is devoted to directing and actively participating in the technical tasks of the personnel being supervised. Incumbent plans, schedules, budgets, coordinates and conducts phases of technical work of considerable scope and complexity. Incumbent is responsible for the administration and technical management of a number of branches with diverse missions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures and a willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4.

No. 36-150, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Mechanical Engineering/Engineering Technician), DP-802-3/4, Code 36401 - This position is Associate Division Head for Shop Operations, Engineering Prototype Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent supervises organizational functions which are predominantly technical in nature. The primary focus of the time is devoted to directing and actively participating in the technical tasks of the personnel being supervised. Incumbent plans, schedules, budgets, coordinates and conducts phases of technical work of considerable scope and complexity. Incumbent is responsible for the administration and technical management of a number of branches with diverse missions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of fabrication and manufacturing techniques; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures and a willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-4.

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. 12-015, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 1232 - The incumbent will provide secretarial support to the Simulation Branch of the Plans & Evaluation Department. Knowledge and working skill on the IBM PC and/or the Macintosh SE computer is essential. Must have the ability to obtain a secret clearance. Promotion potential to DG-2. Status eligibles may apply. Previous applicants need not re-apply.

No. 62-029, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 6251 - This position is located in the Computer Systems Branch which is responsible for the Range Control Center Integration and Processing System (RIPS), the Airspace Surveillance Center and the Metric Video Center. Incumbent will provide secretarial support for branch personnel. Familiarity with Apple Macintosh computer; ability to do or learn word processing and use spread-sheets and databases; ability to work with people is desirable. Promotion potential to DG-2 but not guaranteed.

No. 62-027, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 6231 - This position provides secretarial and administrative support to the Electro-Optical Branch in the Range Headquarters Bldg. Ability to use or learn the Macintosh SE computer is essential. Must have the ability to obtain a secret clearance. Promotion potential to DG-2. Status eligibles may apply. Previous applicants need not re-apply.

No. 36-141, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-A/1/2, Code 3627 - This position serves as secretary to the Head, Weapons Systems Software Engineering Branch. Familiarity with the Macintosh computer is desirable but not mandatory. Promotion potential to DG-2. Status eligibles may apply.

No. 36-139, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-A/1/2, Code 3621 - This position serves as secretary to the Head, Missile Systems Branch. Familiarity with the Macintosh computer is desirable but not mandatory. Promotion potential to DG-2. Status eligibles may apply.

No. 36-144, Supervisory Quality Assurance Specialist, DS/DP-1910-3, Code 36821 - Incumbent will assist in the implementation of quality assurance and quality control practices, principles, methods, techniques and disciplines during the

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Specializing in computer information, the Computer Library offers a good selection of books, software manuals, newspapers, and periodicals to be loaned, as well as an assortment of books and VAX manuals to be purchased. CCF manuals are also available. For further information, contact Deanna Holloway, NWC ext. 2519, or Mei Diaz, NWC ext. 2347. The computer library is a satellite operation of the technical library.

No. 24-011, Supervisory police

Excellent fishing is at Gull Lake

Cold nights and warm days aren't keeping the fish from biting! According to the Bishop Chamber of Commerce, one lucky angler brought in a 7-pound, 9-ounce brown trout from Gull Lake.

Fishing is still very good in the Lone Pine area with the streams being stocked weekly. A new stock of brookies in Independence, Tuttle, and Lone Pine Creeks offer a nice change for the fisherman. Some eastern brookies are 11 to 13-inches long. The best lures are the super dupers, Panther Martins or other small lures, and the best bait is still the Berkley power bait.

Fishing is excellent in the Big Pine area. Big Pine Creek has been stocked with nice-size eastern brookies. Bait fishermen should use power bait or eggs and worms. The water level in the Owens River is quite low, causing more fish to be in concentrated areas.

Back country fishing has been very good recently in the Bishop area. In Bull and Chocolate Lakes, bubble and fly is catching limits of hungry brook-

ies. Small lures and bubble with mosquito-type fly is working well at Saddle Rock and Ledge Lake. The upper end of South Lake is the best place on that lake for fishing. At North Lake and Intake II, the olive matuka and green bodied mosquito are catching the most fish. Above and below South Fork, parchers are producing both browns and rainbows. The water level at Owens River is still very low and running at 200 CFS. The fish spook easily. Pleasant Valley is really picking up. The bubble and fly is catching limits in the Little Lake Valley above Rock Creek.

Power bait or nightcrawlers are producing limits of nice-size rainbows at Rock Creek. The lake is being planted every week.

Fishing is slowing down slightly at Convict Lake, however, plants from 10 to 13 inches are still being caught on power bait. Small lures are also doing well.

Fishing for stockers at Twin Lakes in the Mammoth Lakes area has been great. Use a 10-foot sink tip with

either a gold-ribbed hare's ear or black wooly bugger. The best fishing has been in the lower lake's weed beds. Be sure to let the fly sink deep. Start looking for the wild browns and brookies to start feeding. Mammoth Creek's fishing is good for plants, however, the best fishing is still around the bridge on old Mammoth Road. Fishing is only fair to good at Lake Mary. Use power bait for the most fish. Trolling has been slow. Fly fishing in the evenings has been fair with olive matuka or muddler minnows in sizes six or eight.

Pan-size rainbows are being caught with the bubble and fly at Twin Lakes in the Bridgeport area. Virginia Lakes has really been great. The fly and bubble in the evenings is working the best. Small dupers, such as Kastmasters or super dupers, are the best lures. For bait, try eggs and marshmallow combo or power bait. Many limits are being taken at Trubill Lakes by those using flies, such as the black gnat bug.

Swim team plans tryouts

Tryouts for the High Desert Swim Team will be held by the City of Ridgecrest Parks and Recreation Department on Tues., Sept. 27, and Thurs., Sept. 29, at the Naval Weapons Center's Indoor Pool from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Children five years and older may try out. Children must be able to float on their stomachs, backs and kick for 10 yards to try out.

The High Desert Swim Team provides a means for children to participate in an athletic activity in which the children can compete with their peers, as well as learn fair play and sportsmanship. High Desert Swim Team believes that by swimming competitively in a recreational environment, young children can learn self-confidence and self-discipline and develop a sense of self-worth that will continue to grow as the child develops.

High Desert Swim Team encourages the swimmer to establish a goal of self-improvement by bettering his or her own times, and

believes that striving to better this time is as important as winning entered heats or events.

The program runs October through July. Regular workouts will be held on Tuesday and Thursday beginning Oct. 4. Children ten and under will work out from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., while children 11 and over will work out from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The City of Ridgecrest Recreation Department's head coach will be Dee Dee Fussner. Barbara Mason, Greg Jansen, D-Ann Fussner, Dawn Fussner and Mike McWilliams will be assisting as swim coaches.

The fee is \$15 per child, with a maximum cost of \$35 for three children or more. A monthly fee of \$25 per child will also be charged, but will not exceed \$65 for three or more children.

For further information, call the City of Ridgecrest Recreation Department at 375-1522.

Volleyball is in full swing at NWC

Intramural Volleyball at the Naval Weapons Center is now in full swing. From 6 to approximately 9:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 23 teams compete against each other for the championship title at the NWC gym.

The teams are divided into two divisions. Division A consists of Mixed Company, The Far Side Out,

Da Dinkalots, Eldarodo, Rough Cuts, Mis Match, Banzai Bums, T.I., Dogs, Wolfers and the Puppies. Division B consists of the Jags, Dust Devils, Inyo Face, Nighthawks, The Intruders, Otters Underdogs, Echo Echo Echo, Take No Prisoners, Fast & Furious, Bumpers and the Flying Burritos.

Players needed for flag football

Attention all flag football players! Active-duty military flag football players are needed! Let your military team spirit show — play on this year's Varsity Flag Football Team!

For further information, contact Mike Slobodnik, Sports Branch athletic director, Morale, Welfare & Recreation Department, NWC, ext. 2334.

Novice bicycle ride set

Attention novice bicyclists! The High Sierra Cyclists' September Novice Ride will be held tomorrow, Sept. 24. Riders will depart from the Naval Weapons Center's Main Gate at 8 a.m., ride to the park in Inyokern and then return.

There will be a SAG support vehicle and coaching will be available in riding technique, gear usage, traffic

safety and minor roadside repair, if necessary.

Participation is open to the public and there is no charge. Helmets, while strongly recommended, are not required.

For further information, call Joe DeLory at 375-0325 or Dennis Farrell at 446-4787.

First "Picnic at the Park" ride is on October 2

High Sierra Cyclists will hold their first annual "Picnic at the Park" Metric Century Ride (100 KM or 63 miles) on Sunday, Oct. 2. Riders will depart from Kern Regional Park in Ridgecrest between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. Destination and post-ride picnic will be at Riverside Park in Kernville.

Entry fee is \$6 for non-members and \$5 for club members. High Sierra Cyclists will provide a rest stop with snacks and drink, SAG support vehicle, transportation back to Ridgecrest for riders and bikes, and liquid refreshments at the park. The group will also transport the picnic lunches to the park in Kernville.

As this is a fairly strenuous ride with approximately 3500 feet of climbing for a net elevation gain of 300 feet, bicycles and riders should be in good condition. Helmets are required.

Sign-up sheets are available at T. J. Frisbee's bike shop.

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Headache remains a frequent ailment

Headache is one of the 10 most common reasons people seek a physician. Common as they are, headaches are still poorly understood. Physicians can diagnose types of headaches and treatment may range

from aspirin to narcotics to surgery. Yet prevention of headaches, as prevention of any disease, would certainly be the best and preferred form of therapy.

Migraine headaches have been a

subject of great controversy and frustration for physicians. Many authorities and many studies have supported the theory that food allergies trigger migraines. Approximately 40 percent of migraine suf-

ferers can benefit by avoiding certain foods.

An association between food and sinus headaches has also been determined, but at a much lower (one to four percent) rate.

It is not as easy as simply avoiding certain foods. A headache may be triggered by eating a combination of different foods, ingesting food preservatives, combining a certain food (Continued on Page 10)

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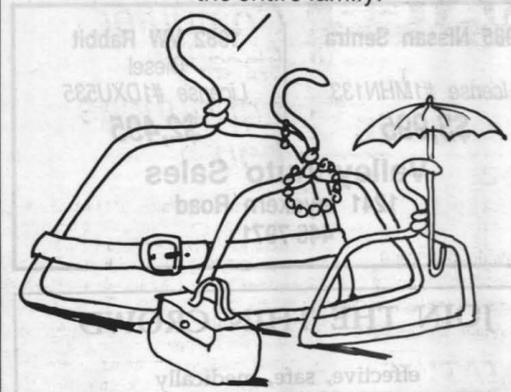
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Headache cures remain elusive

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 and environment (eg., auto fumes) or by creating an internal condition (stress, exhaustion). Furthermore, once a food is found to be allergenic and is eliminated, only partial, rather than complete, relief may occur. Probably the best method of food allergy determination is the elimination diet. Certain proteins have been found to have a high incidence of allergic properties. A diet free of milk and dairy products, eggs, corn, wheat, peanuts, chocolate, soybeans, alcohol, coffee, tea and soft drinks is a good place to start. Also any food eaten often should be included in those eliminated. The diet should be maintained for one month to determine a change in headache symptoms. If no improvement is noted in this time, one should abandon the elimination diet. If there is a decrease in migraine frequency, eliminated foods are reintroduced one-at-a-time every five days. If a food reintroduced

causes a headache, it is suspect as an allergic offender and should be eliminated altogether. Most headaches induced by foods are delayed for up to three days after the triggering substance has been eaten. Therefore, a food journal which reviews what food was eaten prior to experiencing a headache is usually misleading. Allergy testing may benefit the patient who experiences frequent headaches and is unable to determine a cause from an elimination diet. However, desensitization shots used for airborne allergy treatment do not work for food allergies. Avoidance is the only effective therapy. There is still much physicians and patients must learn about migraine and sinus headache and their relationship to foods. The answers to headache relief do not usually come easily and patients must become compulsive Sherlock Holmes in their own food allergy investigation.



Discovery

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 sure suit and helmet. Master Chief Robert Hudson and PR1 Stephen Sotaski completed the full-up certification jumps earlier this year. In all, noted Bates, more than 100 parachute drops were made, with live jumpers or dummies, to test the new escape system. Most of the tests were done from a modified Air Force C-141 Starlifter on loan for this program. It was outfitted with a simulated shuttle hatch and the telescoping pole system. In fact, commented Bates, the pole assembly used in these last tests will be installed in the shuttle Atlantis before it flies next year. Failure of the tests on Tuesday could have caused a delay in the Discovery mission, so there was a collective sigh of relief when both drops were judged to be total successes.

FINAL CHECK—SMSgt. Chuck Johnson, USAF, and LCdr. Mario Runco of NASA's Astronaut Office check dummy (top) used in parachute tests. Russ Bates (left) and Wendell Shaw (bottom) discuss the test with PRCM Robert Hudson. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady



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The Cromazoids win Public Work's 2nd annual tourney

Recently, the "Cromazoids" beat "United" with a 19 to 11 victory to become the softball champions for the Public Works Department. Last year's champions, the "A's", handed over the perpetual trophy to Mike Crom, the manager of the Cromazoids, at the awards ceremony, with a vow to get it back next year.

The Cromazoids went into the championship tournament with no losses, while United had lost earlier in the day to the Cromazoids. United gave the Cromazoids a run for their money, however, by winning the first game 22-7, leaving each team with one loss. Despite United's Dan Anders' impressive .750 batting average, the Cromazoids pulled themselves together and won the next game, giving them the title.

Cromazoids' Al Chieze ended up with a batting average of .740, followed closely by his teammate Jess Fortney, who had a .700 batting average for the weekend.

This was the second annual Public Works Softball Tournament held at the Naval Weapons Center. Ten teams, eight from Public Works and two Public Works' contractors, com-



PROUD WINNERS — members of the Cromazoids won the championship in the second annual Public Works Softball Tournament held at NWC recently. The winners are (front row from left) Gary Maxwell, Chuck Donnally, Mike Crom, Steve Savko, John Branson, (back row from left) Ed Hillebrand, Jess Fortney, John Newton, Walter Siebert, Bob Young and Tom Fortney. Not shown are John Newton, Steve Vie, Al Chieze and Steve Stevens.

Helpers needed

Volunteers are needed to work at the NWC Mini Triathlon on Saturday, Oct. 29. Volunteers will receive a free triathlon t-shirt and will be invited to the post race social at the Top-4 Club park. Areas needing volunteers include: timekeeping, lap counting, water stops, and traffic control. All interested volunteers can call Mike Slobodnik, athletic director, NWC ext. 2334.

Flag football to begin

On Wed., Sept. 28, the Fiscal Year 88 Intramural Flag Football will begin. All games will be held on Wednesday evenings at 6 and 8 p.m. As of right now, there are four teams in the league. The regular season will consist of a double round robin (total of six games), plus a "Super Bowl" playoff game between the top two teams. Because the NWC Varsity Football team is scheduled to attend the Southern Pacific Sports Conference Regional Flag Football Championship Tournament at CBC Port Hueneme on Oct. 3 to 7, no intramural games will be scheduled for that week. Anyone still interested in joining a flag football team, should call the Naval Weapons Center's gym at NWC ext. 2571. And, if you don't want to participate, be sure to come out and watch the fun.

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IWV football teams sweep aside Kernville last week

Last Saturday, the Indian Wells Valley (IWV) Football League made a clean sweep against Kernville with four wins and no losses. The IWV Jets tallied a 30-0 win, the Eagles and Bears both earned a 34-0 win and the Patriots emerged with a 36-0 victory.

The next play will in Palmdale on Saturday, Sept. 24, where various leagues will get together for a "Kick-off Bowl." This is one way teams can see what their competition is capable of and what they need to work on.



Under-14 Scorps get blitzed

Last Saturday, the Under-14 Scorpions Soccer team took a sound thrashing from the Bakersfield Blitz when the Blitz took a 10-0 victory.

Despite the hard-fought efforts from defensive players Hayden Wilson and Michael Eberhart, the Blitz

dominated the field.

The Under-14 team travels to Kern County Soccer Park in Bakersfield tomorrow, Sept. 24, to play the California Cosmos at 3 p.m. While there, they hope to add a win to their 0-2 league record.

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NO MATCH — the Kernville team was no match against the Indian Wells Valley (IWV) Football League last Saturday with the IWV teams taking all four games. The Jets (in the white jerseys) trounced their opponents 30 to nothing. The IWV Football League is made up of youth seven to 15 years old, divided into groups by their ages, weight and height.

Ramjet receives boost

Baldwin recognized for propulsion contributions

Dr. James C. Baldwin, head of the Applied Science branch in the Advanced Technology Division, was presented the 1988 Joint Army-Navy-NASA-Air Force (JANNAF) certificate of recognition by the JANNAF Interagency Propulsion Committee.

Baldwin earned his award by his contributions to the Ramjet subcommittee. He has authored 19 papers, holds two patents and has developed a

national reputation for expertise in ramjet thermal protection systems.

As chairman of the Thermal Management Panel, Baldwin was instrumental in completion of the revised military specification for DC 93-104 ramjet combustor insulation.

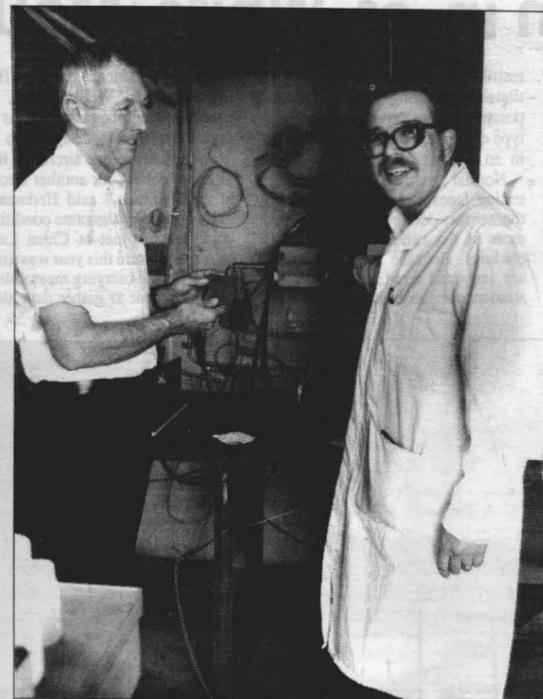
Under his leadership, a study in the long term aging of the DC 93-104 bond line system was completed.

Hypersonic vehicles have also received a boost from Baldwin. His guidance led the Thermal Protection Panel to expand its scope and person-

nel to include materials and cooling systems for these vehicles.

This award is presented annually to individuals in the propulsion community. It recognizes the honorees who advance the state of the art of chemical propulsion technology.

The JANNAF organization is the coordinating body for missile, space and gun research and engineering programs throughout the Department of Defense and NASA. Through the exchange of technical information, JANNAF has contributed to U.S. propulsion advancements.



Dr. James Baldwin (right) shows Duane Williams, head of Advanced Technology, a current propulsion experiment. Williams presented JANNAF award to Baldwin.

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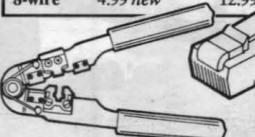
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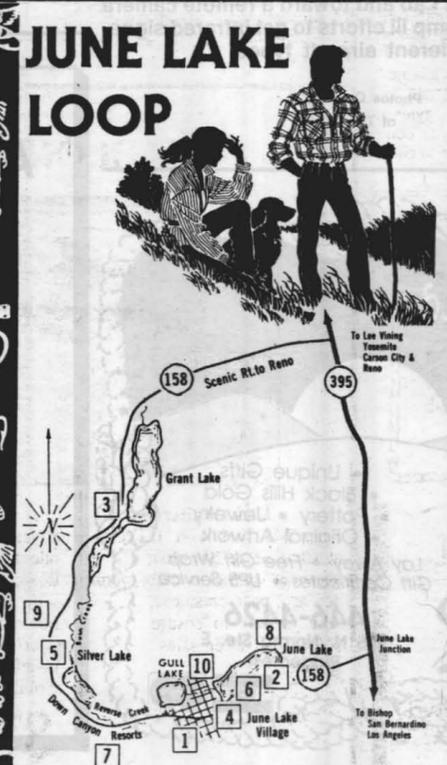
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craft ranging from the newest Air Force bomber, the B-1, to the Navy's A-7 Corsair II. Other targets observed included an Air Force F-111, F-15 Eagle, F/A-18 Hornet, F-4 Phantom, F-14 Tomcat and two helicopters.

In addition to NWC and multiple contractors, the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Center for Naval Analysis, the Army and Air Force

and MIT's Lincoln Lab all took part in the project.

Hedman said the Long Jump arrangement had nearly 30 different sensors looking at the same target at the same time and from the same place. That allows an honest comparison of performance among the sensors. When all the data gathered is analyzed, it will be shared among interested Department of Defense organizations, with a version

stripped of proprietary data distributed to contractor participants.

Missions flown in support of Long Jump III usually found aircraft coming in at 11,500 feet so the sensors could look down, or at about 15,500 feet so there was about 2,500 feet gain for the sensors to see. Some low level passes were over the test area as well.

IR signature tests can be done from aircraft, but is much more

restrictive because of space limitations. At the Long Jump site it was possible to use experimental bench type equipment that would never fit in an aircraft.

Normal ground-based signature testing faces a handicap of having the sensors looking through much more of the atmosphere to get the readings. Because some IR bands are impacted more than others by atmospheric absorption or distur-

tion, tests conducted from the floor of the Indian Wells Valley, for example, are not as complete as the ones done during Long Jump III.

"We simulate one aircraft at high altitude looking for another aircraft at high altitude," said Hedman in explaining why the same conditions could not be met at China Lake.

A new feature this year was use of a small plane carrying meteorological equipment to gather data along

the flight path used by target aircraft. This data will be compared to similar meteorological information gathered at Barcroft Lab to see if there is a significant difference in atmospheric conditions between the mountain site and the flight path.

Projects of this nature aren't without problems of their own. The logistics of moving large amounts of test equipment and support material to the end of the road taxes the

resources of the Public Works Department. Hedman said the Code 26 support was outstanding and included a large crane to off load some of the heavier items.

Hedman also praised the support the project received from NWC's Range Department and from the three services supplying target aircraft.

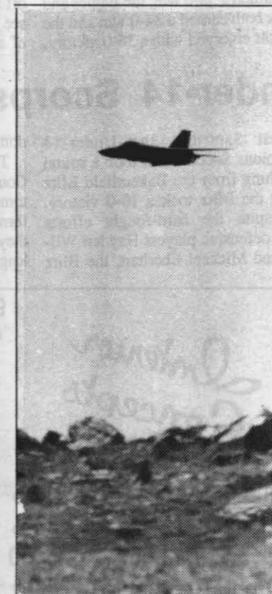
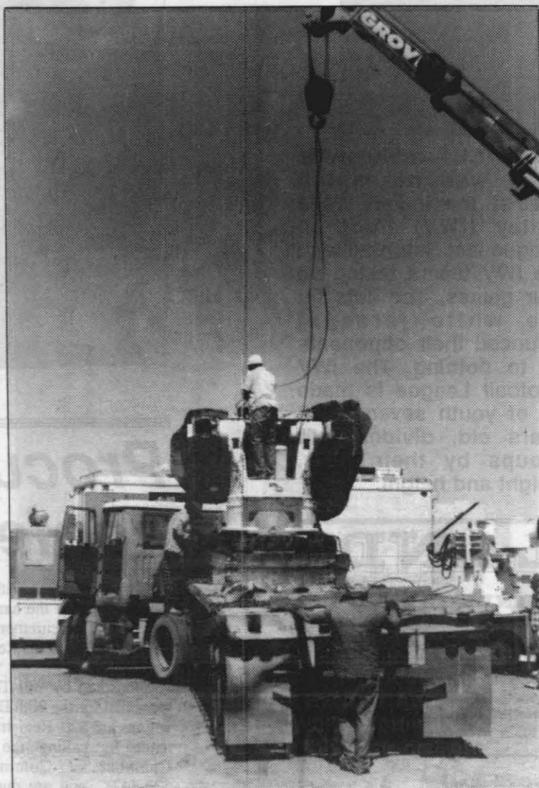
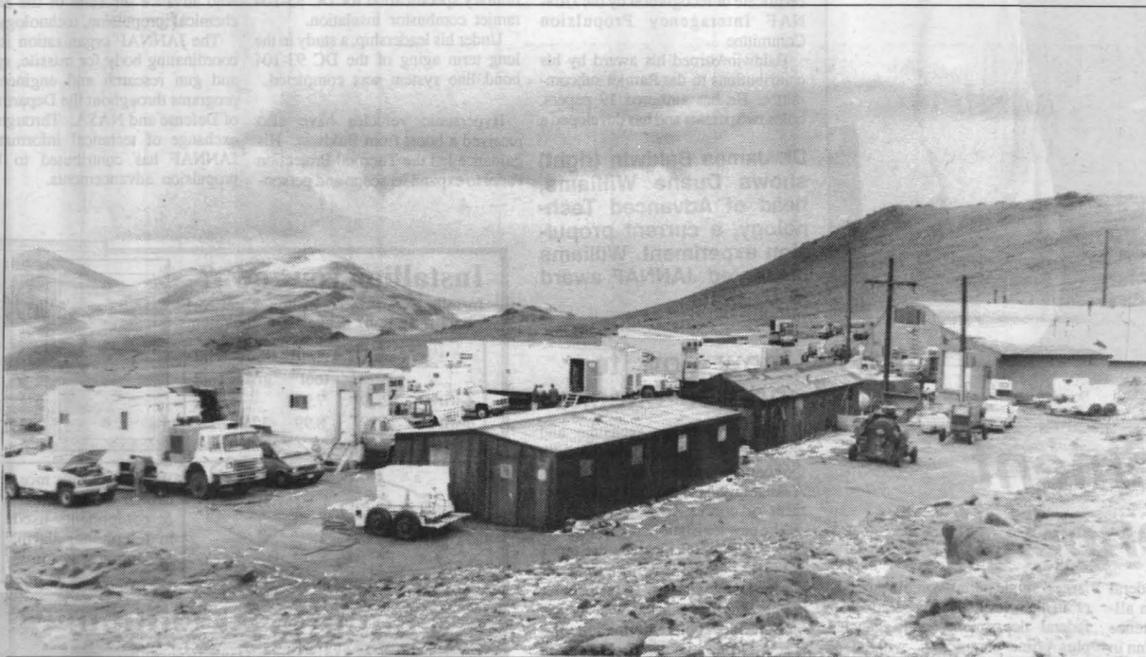
Living and working at high altitude posed problems of another sort, comfort. Some people who lived at

Barcroft Lab the entire time experienced problems sleeping and found energy levels low. One participant said he didn't get a good night's sleep the entire time. Others lived at about the 10,500 foot level and experienced less of a problem with the altitude.

With the successful completion of Long Jump III, Hedman said participants are already asking for a Long Jump IV. He expects there will be, but maybe not next year because it is

expensive and it may take more than a year to make use of all the data gathered in 1988.

He noted NWC is gaining a positive reputation for this particular project because of the good data obtained. He feels it will benefit all three services and the contractors who took part. "We keep learning from each test," commented Hedman on the reasons this one was judged by all participants to have been so successful.



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