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Furniture Depot & Oak Specialties have joined together for a giant 3 day parking lot sale at the corner of Norma and West Ridgecrest Blvd. starting today! Hours sun up to sun down.

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**Weather Report**

	Max	Min	Peak Gust
Thurs.	102	57	20
Fri.	99	69	22
Sat.	99	53	27
Sun.	95	53	22
Mon.	90	54	24
Tues.	90	53	12
Wed.	87	55	34

Road construction restricts traffic at intersection

Starting Sept. 30, vehicle traffic at the intersection of Stroop and South Knox may be delayed due to road construction projects. The repair work at this intersection is expected to continue through at least Oct. 8.

Old Crows slate Monday meeting on radar systems

Russell Logan, director of Engineering and Technology at Texas Instruments, will talk about active element solid state phased array radar systems during the first meeting of the Robbers Roost Chapter of the Association of Old Crows' 90-91 professional lecture series. The presentation will be held in Room 1000D of Michelson Laboratory beginning at 5 p.m. next Monday.

All members and non-members are encouraged to attend and invite guests. While the meeting is unclassified, access to Michelson Laboratory is still required. For reservations or more information, call Kathy Baldwin at 446-7961 or Yvonne Belman at 446-1224.

Conference Center closed for repairs until November

Due to renovation and repairs, the NWC Conference Center (old CPO Club) is closed until further notice. The facility is not expected to reopen before November 1.

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Saudi Arabia's NWC connection

Center payroll technician receives special salute from Army unit in Operation Desert Shield

Showing the people at home really do care and really do support the men and women of Operation Desert Shield are thousands of individuals like Marge Donaldson who are willing to take the time and make the effort to send letters to servicemembers.

"We have . . . the knowledge that what we are doing is right, and the support of thousands of marvelous Americans, just like yourself, who care enough to take the time to make

a difference," read the letter China Lake's Donaldson received from 1st Sgt. John Jodell, a soldier in the 2nd Battalion, 24th Infantry Division, now stationed in Saudi Arabia as part of Desert Shield.

A payroll technician in the Naval Weapons Center Payroll Branch, Customer Service Division, Donaldson started writing to members of the Armed Forces stationed in the Middle East because "I care," she said. "I was

raised in a home where we were taught to love our country I have had brothers and a son in the service and know what letters meant to them."

To date, Donaldson has received three letters from servicemen stationed in Saudi Arabia, each one showing the lack of amenities but radiating high morale and real appreciation of the letter Donaldson sent.

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BRITISH CELEBRATION--As the Royal Air Force ensign is lowered, the Naval Weapons Center guard salutes the memory of the Battle of Britain. Members of 32nd Joint Trials Unit, RAF and their guests celebrated the 50th anniversary of the turning point in World War II, Sept. 15, 1940, the day British pilots in Spitfires and Hurricanes won the Battle of Britain. The flag lowering ceremony and a fly-by of a Warbirds P-51 Mustang concluded the official observance of this special day in history.

Kraft earns honor as best EEO manager

NWC's Deputy Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, Kathy Kraft, was named 1990's Outstanding EEO Manager of the Year by the San Francisco Bay Area Federal Executive Board's QUAD Council. Exceptional leadership and creativity in the development and implementation of personnel programs earned the head of the Equal Opportunity and Employment Division this high honor. The recognition was announced during the council's annual EEO Awards program, which was held in Oakland last week.

The QUAD Council is made up of EEO officers from the Hispanic Employment Board, the Handicapped Employment Board, Federal Women's Executive Board and the Federal Equal Opportunity Employment Board.

As head of the EEO Division, Kraft serves as the deputy to the Command's Equal Employment Opportunity Officer (the NWC com-

mander) and heads a functional staffing, classification and compensation group. While performing these duties, she combined the EEO and staffing functions to form a uniquely effective mix of EEO principles, complaints resolution, affirmative employment, targeted recruitment and staffing. According to the letter of nomination, signed by Eva Bien, head, Human Resources Department, "this varied, multi-faceted EEO/staffing program effectively addresses the interests and needs of ALL employees and managers at the Center."

In order to be nominated for the EEO Manager of the Year Award, Kraft had to meet three out of four mandatory criteria. The criteria included 1) providing outstanding leadership in the development and/or implementation of an equal employment action plan or activity; 2) stimulated and maintained a high level of respect and confidence on (Continued on Page 7)

China Lake Calendar

Sat. Sept. 22

...Retiree Appreciation Day, Edwards Air Force Base, starting at 7:30 a.m.

...Desert Community Orchestra presents free Pops concert under the stars, NWC O'Club, starting at 7 p.m.

Mon. Sept. 24

...Robbers Roost Chapter of the Association of Old Crows professional lecture, Michelson Lab, Room 1000D, starting at 5 p.m.

Tues. Sept. 25

...Computer Society luncheon meeting, Seafarer Club, 11:30 a.m.

Wed. Sept. 26

...Single Parents Group, NWC Branch Medical Clinic's conference room at 7:45 a.m.

Thurs. Sept. 27

...Engineers Picnic, sponsored by California Society of Professional Engineers, Kern Park, 5 p.m.

...Society of Logistics Engineers (SOLE) Sept. meeting, White Star Dining Company, 6 p.m.

Fri. Sept. 28

...Marine Car Wash, 9 a.m., MAD parking lot.

Sat. Sept. 29

...Fall Clean-up and Hazardous Waste Collection Day, 8 a.m.-12 noon., free refreshments will be offered to all participants at the O'Club starting at 12 noon.

Coming Events

...IEEE 37th Videoconference, 3D Computer Graphics: Construction to Interaction, Oct. 3, Carriage Inn, 8:30 a.m.

...Graduation luncheon, Oct. 4, Seafarer Club, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

...Mini-Triathlon '90, Oct. 13

...Navy Birthday Celebration, Oct. 14, Michelson Lab, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

...China Lake Challenge, Oct. 27

Items of interest to the China Lake population may be placed in the CHINA LAKE CALENDAR by calling the NWC Rocketeer at NWC ext. 3354 before 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday before Friday's publication.

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Wellness Corner

The NWC Wellness Program is providing all Center employees, attached activities, and active duty military a low cost blood analysis. The blood test analysis will include kidney and liver enzymes, a cardiac panel (total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, risk ratio, glucose, triglycerides) and a complete blood count. Participants must abstain from eating any food or drinking anything other than water for 12 hours before their blood draw. The draws will begin at 7 a.m. on the dates and at the locations listed below. The cost for the analysis is \$19. Payment is required at the time of the draw. Make checks payable to MWR-REC. Appointments may be made on any computer or terminal that will connect to the SCFC VAX. An account number is not needed. Anyone who has access to another VAX on the network, log on and type "set host scfc". When "user name" appears on the screen, type in Wellness. Options will appear for scheduling or deleting appointments for the blood draw. For people who don't have access to the SCF VAX terminal, call NWC ext. 2468 and we will help. For further questions or additional information, call Betty Miller or Pat Oliver at the Wellness Program Office, NWC ext. 2468.

Dates, locations for blood draw

Sept. 25--Michelson Lab, "Little D" Conf. Room
Sept. 26--Michelson Lab, "Little D" Conf. Room
Sept. 27--Michelson Lab, "Little D" Conf. Room
Sept. 28--Michelson Lab, "Little D" Conf. Room
Oct. 2--CLPL, Bldg. 151, Room 10; contact Marci Burnett, NWC ext. 7330 for appointment



Capt. Grady H. Lowe, USN (Ret.)

Oct. 2--Public Works, Bldg. 981, Conference Room

Oct. 3--Training Center, Room 114.

There are at least 25 ways to earn points for the China Lake Challenge. They are: the Sierra Cyclists Kernville Bicycle Ride, MWR Mini Triathlon, Haugen Memorial Tennis Tournament, Kiwanis Community Walk-A-Thon, Over The Hill Track Club 5/10K Run, 5K Walk, Swimming, Softball Tournament, Volleyball Tournament, People Walk, Tug-Of-War, Aerobic Dance, Push-Ups, Jump Rope for One Minute, Obstacle Course, Farmer John Relay, Wellness Mile, Softball Throw, Horse Shoes, Target Golf, Hoop Shoot, Dizzy T-Ball, Dashes, 440 Time Predicted, Relays. Be active and be a part of the Challenge.

On Nov. 29, the Wellness Program will be sponsoring a one day seminar "Overcoming Overeating" with Jane Hirschmann. Her approach to weight management/weight loss is a true paradigm shift from traditional programs. This program will change how you feel about your body and change your relationship with food. Mark your calendar now. More information will be forthcoming.

Be sure to stop by the Seafarer Club for the American Heart Association Food Festival next week. The club will be offering heart healthy entree's throughout the entire week!

Former NOTS Commander passes away

Capt. Grady H. Lowe, USN (Ret.), commander of the Naval Ordnance Test Station (NOTS) from February - September, 1967 died last month in Pasadena, he was 74.

Before and after his tour as NOTS Commander, Capt. Lowe served as officer-in-charge of the NOTS Pasadena Annex and remained in that community following his retirement from the Navy after 30 years of service.

Capt. Lowe relieved Capt. John I. Hardy as Commander, NOTS on Feb. 28, 1967, to become the 14th commander of (Continued on Page 11)



Community Events

Community Light Opera Theater and Association Inc., presents "Sweeney Todd, the Demon Barber of Fleet Street." This will be CLOTA's last show of the 1990 season. The musical thriller opens Sept. 28-29, and runs Oct. 5, 6, 12 & 13. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m., at Burroughs High School. Tickets may be purchased at the BHS boxoffice, Ridgecrest Cleaners, Farris's Italian Gardens, The Art Buffet and Richer's Digital Audio. Prices run \$8 for General Admission, \$6 for students, senior citizens, and active duty military.

On Sept. 20 and 21, the American Association of Retired People will hold a 55/Alive class. The course will run from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 to 3 p.m. on both days with Bob Osmon instructing. To enroll, send a check, made out to A.A.R.P., for \$8 to Bill Davis, 55/Alive coordinator, 235 Apache Lane, Ridgecrest, CA 93555. Class size is limited. For information, call Davis at 375-2129.

Before throwing those old rags away, the Morale, Welfare & Recreation, Auto Hobby Center staff is asking you to bring them to the Auto Hobby Center for recycling and future use. Show your support and donate today. For information, call John at NWC ext. 2346.

Beginning Oct 3, NWC's Youth Center will offer *Kids Tumbling*. Taught by Sierra Academy of Dance, the tumbling classes, which are on Wednesdays, will be \$19 for military dependents, \$20 for DoD dependents and \$22 for all others. Transportation will be provided for enrolled students of the NWC Children's Centers at additional cost. For more information, call NWC ext. 2909.

Pops concert under the stars

On Saturday (tomorrow) evening, the Desert Community Orchestra will present their annual free pops concert on the patio of the NWC Commissioned Officers' Club. The event, sponsored jointly by Cerro Coso Community College and the Desert Community Orchestra Association, will start at 7 p.m. The concert, directed by Debra Veit, will feature the music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Richard Rodgers, Percy Grainger, Morton Gould, Leroy Anderson and Francis Scott Key. A dance, with music furnished by Big Band X-Press, will follow the concert.

The price of a catered supper is \$5 per person, or concert-goers may bring their own.

The orchestral music for this concert is funded in whole or in part by U.S. recording industries through the Music Performance Trust Fund, as arranged by Local 47 of the American Federation of Musicians.

A special feature of the concert will be an auction to raise money for the uniform fund of the Burroughs High School Marching Band. One item to be

We can't forget POW/MIA Day in the IWV

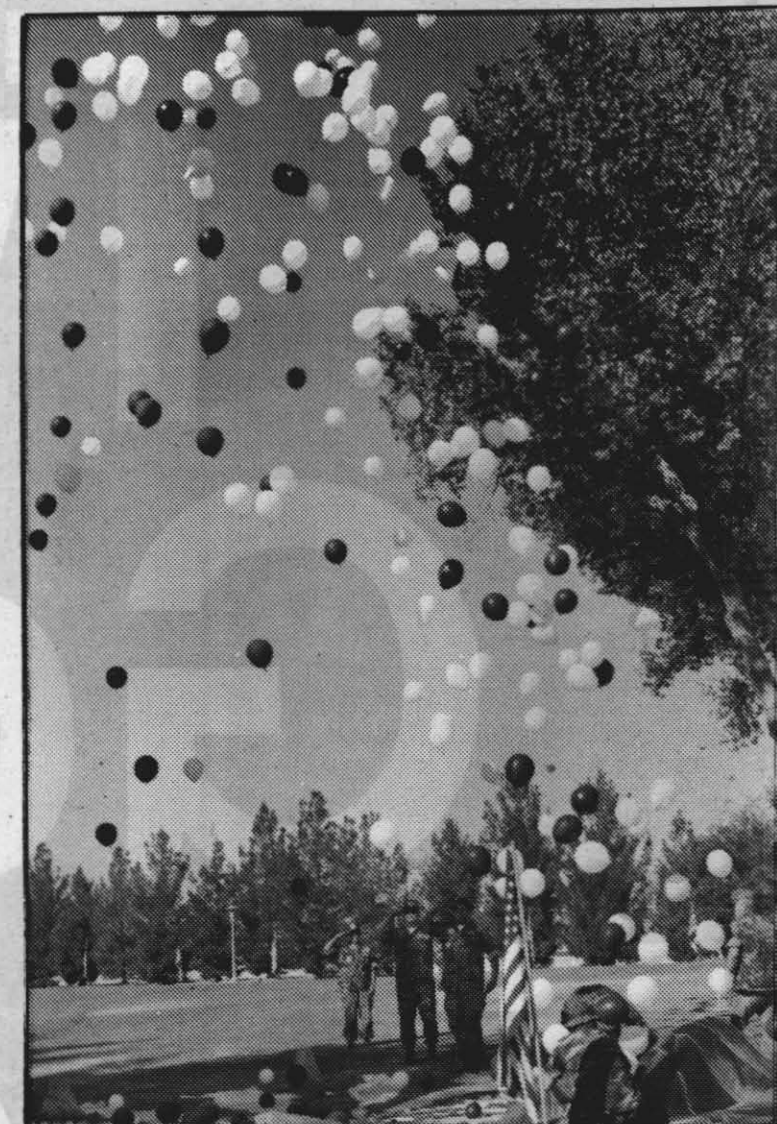
Since the signing of the Paris Peace Accords in January 1973, 2,300 Americans remain unaccounted for in Southeast Asia and over 8,000 in Korea. National POW/MIA Recognition Day, Sept. 21, honors America's returned prisoners of war and rekindles the resolve to account for those U.S. servicemen still missing.

Last September, 2,344 Americans were listed as prisoners or missing in Southeast Asia. As of July 20, 1990, the number was 2,300.

"The important point to remember is that the U.S. government is committed to the fullest possible accounting of prisoners of war and those missing action. We are making progress. It is slow and frustrating, but it is progress," said Navy Lcdr. Edward Lundquist, a DoD spokesman.

The Vietnamese government increased its cooperation in returning remains following the August 1987 mission of retired Army Gen. John W. Vessey as a special presidential emissary. Since then, the Vietnamese have repatriated 240 remains, of which 100 have resulted in accounting for Americans.

"Now we are coming to a time when the divisions of the Vietnam War are healing. We have to let go of the bitterness of the past," President George Bush said in 1989 remarks to the National League of Families. "But with this reconciliation comes a temptation to forget those who served. Yet we will not forget. And we will never break ranks."



UP, UP AND AWAY--Members of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 283 held their annual POW/MIA balloon release last Saturday on the lawn of NWC's Headquarters Building. The purpose of the release was to keep the POW/MIA issue alive.

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Reassignments...

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No. 36-024, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (General/Materials/Mechanical/Electrical/Electronics/Chemical/Industrial/Metallurgist), DP-801/806/830/850/855/893/896/1321-3, Code 368 - Area of consideration is limited to the 03 Directorate. The position is head of the Soldering Technology Branch in the Product Assurance Division. The division is responsible for providing Product Assurance support for a wide range of complex weapons systems and related equipment developed or managed by the Naval Weapons Center. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise a large branch through subordinate section supervisors; knowledge of the Product Assurance disciplines; ability to communicate orally; ability to communicate in writing; ability to interface effectively with both on and off-center management; willingness to support Federal EEO program goals and objectives. Please submit a current SF-171 to Joe Oliver, Code 368, NWC ext. 1052.

College night planned at Cerro Coso College

Cerro Coso Community College will host a California College and University Night on Wednesday, Oct. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m., representatives from the University of California, California State University and private California colleges and universities will visit the local campus to provide prospective students with up-to-date information about their institutions.

Also participating will be representatives from the Air Force and Army ROTC programs, along with Cecil Webb, who is in charge of the External Degree Programs at the Naval Weapons Center.

Security and Total Quality Management training classes scheduled

Following are upcoming classes being offered by the NWC Training Center. To enroll in any of the classes, simply fill out a training request (NWC 12410/73) and send it to the Human Resources Development Division (Code 224) via department channels.

Security for Scientists, Engineers and Technicians (11 hours)

Nov. 13-15, Tuesday-Thursday; 0800-1130, Training Center. By Code 24.

Scope: This class will familiarize scientists, engineers and technicians with the Department

of the Navy and NWC information, personnel, computer, operations and computer security programs. The class will include procedures and requirements for distribution statements, public disclosure and classified meetings.

Deadline: October 30. TQM -- Putting the Principles to Work

Oct. 23-24, 0800-1600, Training Center.

Prerequisite: Completion of Roger Kirkham's two or three day course - *How to Thrive on Chaos*

and *Achieve Total Quality Management*.

Scope: This is a new two-day intensive course which builds on what was learned in Roger Kirkham's two or three-day course. Topics covered include world class quality and quantitative methods -- process flow charts, cause and effect diagrams, pareto charts, histograms, control charts, run charts, check sheets; quality measures & assurance units; the difference between "thrilling and wonderful" and

"woefully inadequate."

Note: Before coming to class, please read *Guide to Quality Control*, by Kauru Ishikawa; and *The Deming Route to Quality and Productivity*, by William Scherkenbach.

Deadline: October 10. Security Coordinator Training (24 hours)

Oct. 31-Nov. 1, 0800-1430, Training Center. By Lyn Wil-

son.

Scope: This class will provide a working knowledge of classification management, downgrading, declassification, marking, access, control, dissemination, transmission, accountability, storage, destruction, custody control point procedures, security violations, security education, operations security, communications security and computer security.

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 applications 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. 31-071, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-2/3, Code 311 - The incumbent provides secretarial support to the Head, Avionic Facilities Division. Duties include: ability to provide direction and guidance to secretarial and clerical personnel of the Division; ability to prioritize workload; ability to deal effectively with all levels of personnel; knowledge of and skill on the Macintosh II is desirable; knowledge of NWC correspondence and secretarial procedures. The incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain a secret clearance. The full performance level of this position is DG-3. Area of consideration for this position is limited to the 03 Directorate.

No. 36-021, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 3652 - Area of consideration is limited to the 03 Directorate. This position is located in the Configuration Man-

agement and Data Management Branch I, Technical Data Division, Engineering Department. Incumbent provides secretarial and administrative support to the Branch Head and branch personnel. Knowledge and working skills on the Macintosh Computer is desirable. Promotion potential is DG-2

No. 38-005, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-2/3, Code 38902 - This position is located in the Engineering Sciences Division office. The incumbent provides secretarial and administrative support for the Division Head and Administrative Officer. Knowledge/working skills on the Macintosh computer is desirable. Promotion potential to DG-3. Area of consideration for this position is limited to the 03 Directorate.

NWC's Aircraft Department gains new leader for airfield operations

"I'm excited about the job," said Capt. Billy (B.J.) Craig, head of the Naval Weapons Center's Aircraft Department. "It complements my background, which includes test and evaluation, squadron commander duties, responsible for operations, maintenance and personnel, as well as airfield commanding officer duties, which makes running airfields and fixing airplanes second nature to me," he continued. Capt. Craig relieved Capt. Gene Allen, who now heads the Military and Support Operations Department. Capt. Allen remains the NWC vice commander.

The new Aircraft Department supervisor, brings 24 years of Naval experience to the Center. He entered the Navy through the Naval Aviation Cadet program in 1966, earned his commission as an ensign and received his wings in 1967. While assigned to his first duty station VF-124, he completed initial Fleet Replacement Pilot (RAG) training in the F-8 crusader. He then went on to VF-191 aboard USS *Oriskany* in 1968. After completing two combat deployments to Southeast Asia, in 1970, Capt. Craig reported to VT-23, in Kingsville, Tx.,



Capt. Billy J. Craig

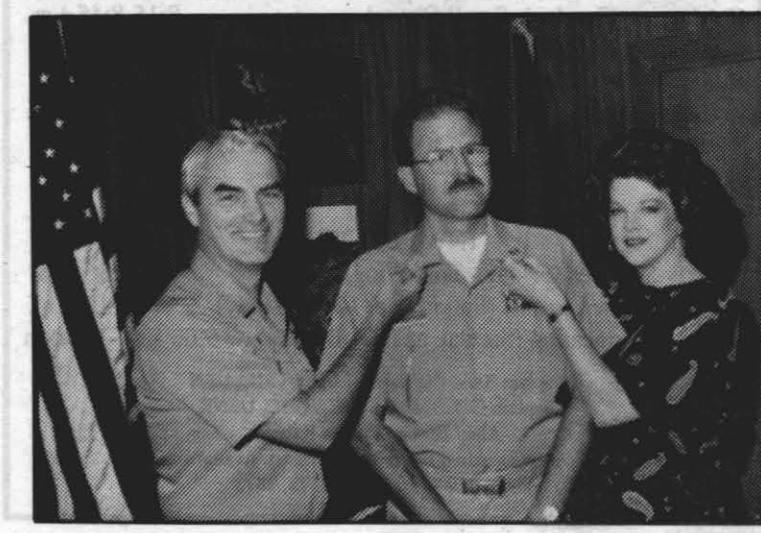
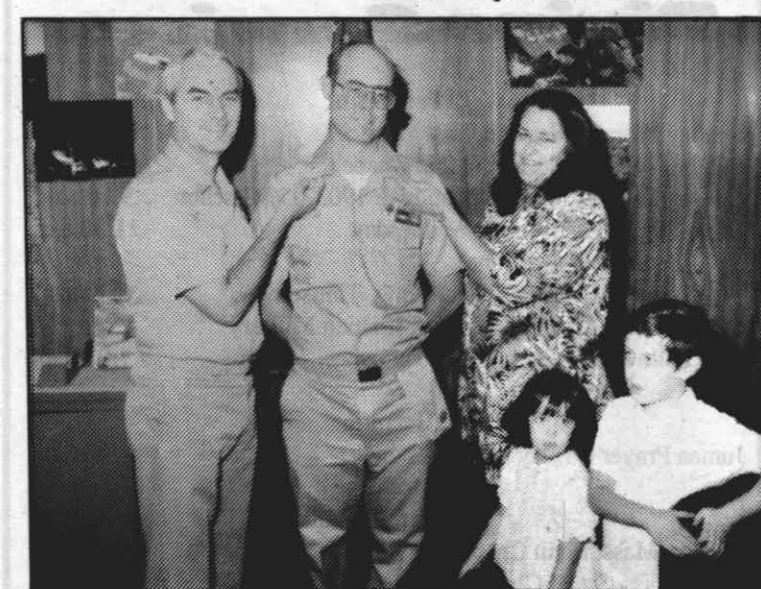
as an advanced flight training instructor pilot.

It was during this tour he earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Texas, A&I majoring in business management. In 1973, Capt. Craig reported to VF-121 for RAG training in the F-4 Phantom and then reported to VF-114 aboard

USS *Kitty Hawk*. Following two more deployments to Southeast Asia, the captain was sent to pilot exchange duty with the U.S. Air Force, 61st Tactical Fighter Squadron, MacDill AFB in Tampa, FL.

In February 1978, the captain reported to Armed Forces Staff (Continued on Page 11)

FROM SHOULDER TO SHOULDER--VX-5's newly promoted LCdr. Donald "Joe" Brundage (top), acquired oak leaves from his Commanding Officer, Capt. Raymond A. Kellett. Brundage's wife, Sheryl, and children, John and Rachel, joined in the dual frocking ceremony. LCdr. Brundage then passed on his silver "Lt." bars to fellow promoted shipmate, Lt. Thomas Sanford (bottom). Lt. Sanford's wife, Robin, assisted her husband with the ceremonial honors of positioning the new pins on his collars. Both officers received the authority to assume respective titles and wear the uniform for the next higher rank. Photo by PH2 Miller



The Skipper Sez...

QUESTION

I was trying to figure out why the military on base are trying to go on an alternate work schedule. We are already working 9-hour days vice the 10-hour day we will have to do for the alternate work schedule. It is also messing up the duty sections.

ANSWER

All employees of the Naval Weapons Center were given the opportunity to work an alternate work schedule (AWS) to provide the benefit of having more three-day weekends each year and still work 80 hours every two-week pay period. While implementing the AWS, a center-wide survey was conducted, including military personnel, with an overwhelming number desiring the AWS. In fairness to all concerned, there was no reason to exclude military personnel.

Many hours of planning were expended with both military and civilian supervisors prior to implementation in order to ensure that the Center's mission could be executed in a sound and efficient manner. In the 9-hour days you reference prior to implementing the AWS, a one-hour lunch period should have been included. By going to the AWS, the work day gets extended to make up for the "day off," but still includes a lunch period. The military duty requirements do make implementation of the AWS more complicated. However, every effort was made to ensure equitable treatment of all concerned and that every duty section had equal opportunity for the extra legitimate three-day weekends.

There are some variances as to how the AWS is implemented in the various departments, but the intent is to improve the quality of life for all our sailors, Marines and Department of the Navy civilian employees.

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. Douglas Cook. 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 their name and phone number for a direct contact, but otherwise, this is not required. There is no intent that this column be used to subvert normal, established chain-of-command channels.



ON MY HONOR, ANOTHER FOUR YEARS--RM3 Maxine Redman, NWC Communications Center, raises her right hand to Lt. Honar Rosa, Communications Officer, and reenlists in the Navy for another four years of active duty service.

Is your IRA an under achiever?

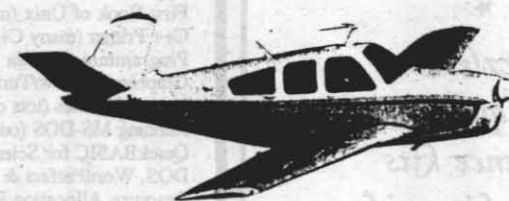
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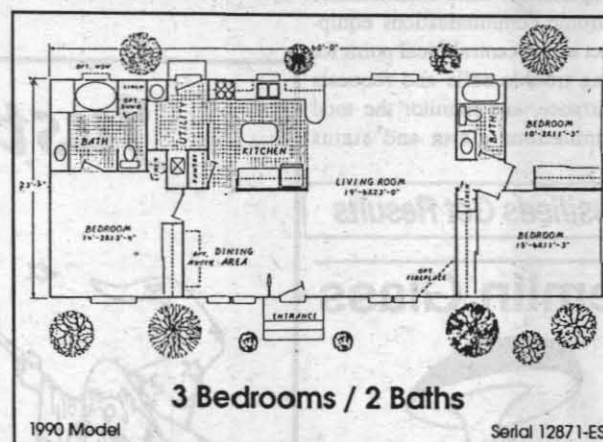


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God don't make no junk about your selfhood? Many of us are not. We have very limited feelings about ourselves. We feel inferior, manipulated, abused and

helpless. Some of us hate ourselves. Modern psychiatry tells us that we cannot really love another creatively unless we have positive feelings about our own selfhood. If we are native about ourselves, we will end up taking from other people and making heavy demands on them.

It is the love of God, ultimately, that gives you the "okay" feeling about yourself. An ex-alcoholic has written about discovering God's love through Jesus and how this made it possible for her to conquer alcoholism. "I am a person now," she wrote. "I feel good and clean 'cause God don't make no junk." That is terrible grammar, but beautiful theology. "God don't make no junk."

There once was a college

where the emphasis was more on academics than on football. On one occasion, the quarterback threw a long pass and as the half-back caught it, he cried out, "I got it." Instead of cheering, everybody booed because of his bad grammar. The same crowd would boo the woman who said, "God don't make no junk." But she deserves cheers instead of boos because that is exactly what comes through to us in the gospel: "God don't make no junk." He makes only beautiful persons.

Imagine for a moment what life would be like if you believed with your whole being that God was against you or, at best, indifferent toward you. Imagine that you believed your life wasn't

going anywhere. Imagine that you believed the creator had cruelly destined you to struggle through life trying to forget that your existence was meaningless. If you can imagine that, then take a full 180 degree turn, and you will begin to get the feel of what the gospel writers are trying to say to us in their stories about Jesus' life and ministry. You will have come full-circle because what they are trying to say is that Jesus is the supreme gift of a loving God to His beloved human creatures; that Jesus is the gift from God that opens the way to new life; that Jesus is the gift that keeps on giving -- from here to eternity.

By Lt. Gerald L. Goodman, CHC, USNR



CHECKING IT OUT--Architect Bob Sanow (left) shows LCdr. Tony Casimano, Command chaplain, the new interior of the All Faith Chapel's Blessed Sacrament Chapel (the small chapel). Renovations included replacement of windows with simulated stained glass, refinishing of walls, the construction of a "Recon-

ciliation Room" for traditional and face-to-face confession, the construction of an organ canopy, the refinishing of pews and modification of altar furniture to match existing wood design on walls and baptismal font. Sanow was the architect who designed the new interior. Photo by PH3 Cary Brady

Clean-up Day next Saturday

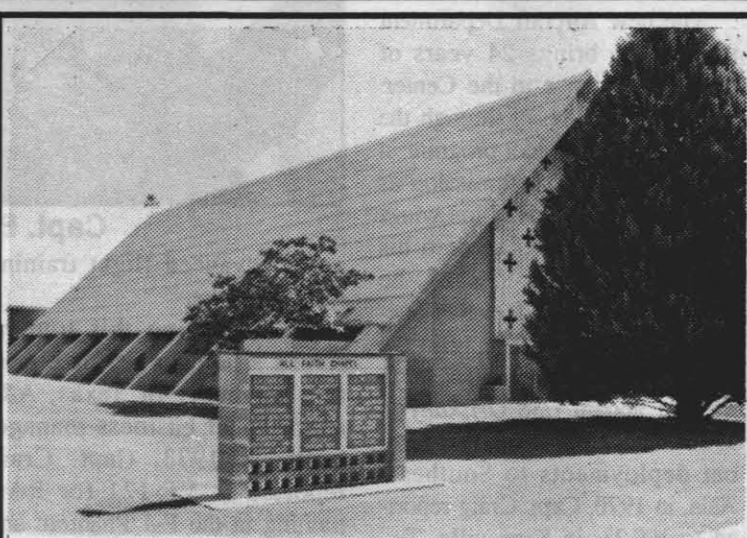
One week from tomorrow (Sept. 29), hundreds of China Lakers will spend at least four hours of their own time working to improve the quality of life in the workplace. The Naval Weapons Center's 1990 Fall Clean-up Day lets employees volunteer the labor while the Navy pays for materials needed to fix-up, paint-up, clean-up or dig-up areas in need of work on-Center.

More than 120 individual projects with self-help labor of more than 300 employees will be undertaken between 8 a.m. and noon next Saturday. These range from simple painting jobs, to landscaping and from installing mini-blinds to building a small pic-

nic area in the Michelson Laboratory compound. In addition other proposed work includes installing carpet tiles, putting mylar on windows, installing wall paneling and more.

Richard Dominguez is the Fall Clean-up Coordinator for this year and has been very impressed with the innovative ideas offices on-Center have come up with in efforts to improve the quality of life in the workplace.

Dominguez noted most of the materials (paint, brushes, shrubs, tools, etc.) needed for various projects have been delivered. He hopes to make the last deliveries of material early next week.



Divine Services

Protestant	
Sunday Worship Service, East Wing	8:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service, Main Chapel	10:30 a.m.
Sunday School, 1008-10 Blandy & 1903-05 Mitscher	9:00 a.m.
Bible Study (East Wing), Wednesday (September thru June)	11:30 a.m.
Men's Prayer Breakfast, East Wing, Thursday	6:30 a.m.
Officers' Christian Fellowship/Christian Military Fellowships, East Wing, Thursday	7:00 p.m.
Islamic	
Jumaa Prayer (Friday at 1006 Blandy)	1:00 p.m.
Roman Catholic	
Sunday Mass, Main Chapel	9:00 a.m.
Daily Mass, Small Chapel	11:35 a.m.
Confession (Sunday), Small Chapel	8:15-8:45 a.m.
Confession By Appointment	Anytime
Religious Education Classes (Sunday) (September thru May)	10:30 a.m.
1902 Dobb, 1002 Blandy, 1008-10 Blandy & 1903-05 Mitscher	
Jewish	
(NWC ext. 2851)	
Weekly Services (Friday - East Wing)	7:30 p.m.
Adult Hebrew Lessons (Saturday at 1004 Blandy)	9:00-10:00 a.m.
Religious Education (Sunday at 1004 Blandy)	9:00 a.m.-12 noon
Chaplain S. A. Casimano, LCDR, CHC, USNR	
Chaplain G. L. Goodman, LT, CHC, USNR	
Andy Busch, Student Rabbi	
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Promotional opportunities available at Naval Weapons Center

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guaranteed. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 62-024, Electronic Technician, DT-856-2/3, Code 62544 - This position is located in the Range Communications Section of the Range Support Branch of the Range Department. Incumbent will operate the Communications System, Management Center in the Range Communications Center. Incumbent will assist in the operations of the microwave receiver equipment, assist in the operations and maintenance of electronic communications equipment, act as the central focal point for receiving trouble calls and requests for assistance, and monitor the total communications alarm and status management system, including the Optical Range Communications System, within the Range Communications Center. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of modern digital electronic communications equipment (multiplexers, demultiplexers, channel banks, audio/video digitizers); knowledge of analog voice and video equipment (lightwave/muldem, video, modulators, video demodulators orderwire); knowledge of basic analog and digital microwave equipment operations and NAVWPNCEN test range operations; ability to use communications test equipment (bit error testers, audio signal analyzers, oscilloscopes, multimeters, etc.). Must be able to obtain and maintain Secret clearance. Promotion Potential to DS-3 but not guaranteed.

management system, including the Optical Range Communications System, within the Range Communications Center. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of modern digital electronic communications equipment (multiplexers, demultiplexers, channel banks, audio/video digitizers); knowledge of analog voice and video equipment (lightwave/muldem, video, modulators, video demodulators orderwire); knowledge of basic analog and digital microwave equipment operations and NAVWPNCEN test range operations; ability to use communications test equipment (bit error testers, audio signal analyzers, oscilloscopes, multimeters, etc.). Must be able to obtain and maintain Secret clearance. Promotion Potential to DS-3 but not guaranteed.

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 applications 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. 31-045, Interdisciplinary (General/Electronics/Electrical/Aerospace/Mechanical)

Engineer/Physicist/Mathematician/Computer Scientist, DP-801/855/850/861/830/1310/1520/155-0-2/3, Code 3194, (Multiple Vacancies) - This position is located in the F/A-18 Systems Engineering Branch of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent will be responsible for providing test plans, specifications, and procedures for performing verification and validation testing of the F/A-18 tactical software. The incumbent will perform, as required, subsystem and system-level testing (both laboratory and flight) and will provide analysis support on design and development or problems reported. Full performance of this position is DP-3. To apply, send an updated SF-171 to F. Bachinski, Code 3194, NWC ext. 5661. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 31-069, Interdisciplinary (Mechanical/Electronics Engineer/Physicist), DP-830/855/1310-3, Code 3153 - This position is located in the Infrared Systems Branch of the Targeting and Fire Control Division, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent will support Infrared Imaging and Advanced Engineering Systems Development. Technical responsibilities include analysis of existing and proposed Infrared Imaging Systems. The incumbent should be familiar with IBM/Macintosh and VAX computer systems. Familiarity with Infrared Systems models is desired but not required. The incumbent should be able to interface effectively with contractor personnel and NWC managers and sponsors. Must be able to obtain and maintain a Top Secret Clearance. To apply send an updated SF-171 to M. Boyd, Code 3153, NWC ext. 3651.

No. 31-070, Interdisciplinary (Mechanical/Electronics Engineer/Physicist), DP-830/855/1310-3, Code 3159 - This position is located

in the Systems Engineering Branch of the Targeting and Fire Control Division. The incumbent will support WSSA related engineering development and evaluation of Infrared Imaging Systems. Specific duties will include laboratory evaluation of Infrared Imaging Systems, as well as flight test support. Some knowledge of infrared system models desired, but not required. The incumbent should be familiar with the IBM PC computer systems and be able to communicate orally and in writing. Familiarity with Infrared Systems models desired but not required. To apply send an updated SF-171 to D. Billings, Code 3159, NWC ext. 3588.

No. 31-072, Interdisciplinary (Mathematician/Physicist/Operations Research Analyst/Computer Scientist/Aerospace/Mechanical Engineer), DP-1520/1310/1515/1550/830/861-3, Code 3186 - (multiple positions). These positions are located in the Susceptibility Analysis Branch, Survivability and Lethality Division, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent will be responsible for Survivability analysis in support of advanced tactical weapon systems development. The incumbent will be involved with susceptibility analyses (including low observables technology, simulation of threat SAM and gun systems, acquisition systems, and fuzing), warhead effects, IR and RF signature prediction modeling, vulnerability analyses, system survivability, target acquisition, and mission effectiveness analysis. Duties will also involve presentation of results to

sponsors and program documentation. Knowledge of analysis techniques used to assess systems effectiveness, knowledge of foreign threat weapon systems (detection, tracking and engagement capabilities), countermeasures and EW system effectiveness, and IR/RF signature prediction methods would be desirable. To apply send a updated SF-171 to Roy Randolph, Code 3186, NWC ext. 3383.

No. 36-020, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Mechanical/Electrical/Electronics Engineer), DP-830/850/855-3, Code 3641 - Area of consideration is limited to the 03 directorate. This position is head of the Metrology Branch, Engineering & Production Processes 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. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of metrology and calibration services; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures; willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Please Submit a current SF-171 to Loren Salters, Code 36401, NWC ext. 2103.

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Eligible spouses (of military sponsors) with competitive employment status may apply for employment preference. Those enrolled in this program will automatically receive consideration for employment on vacancies for which they applied. For initial employment information, career counseling and enrollment, call 939-3317 for an appointment.

HOW TO APPLY: Submit the following: a current application, SF-171 or other Human Resources Department pre-approved form; 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); and a completed Background Survey Questionnaire. A supplemental narrative which relates your qualifications to each knowledge, skill or ability (KSAs) 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 12335/2, 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 a signature on the last page completes the application. Civilian Spousal Program Eligibles with competitive employment status must submit a copy of their sponsor's PCS orders with each application in order to be considered for Merit Promotion vacancies which do not state that status eligibles may apply.

Application materials are accepted, and blank forms are available, at the Reception Desk, Room 100, Human Resources 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. Copies of Applications may be submitted since applications are kept 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. 26-031, Contract Specialist, DP-1102-3, Code 26201 - The incumbent will act as Associate Division Head of the Contracts Division. The incumbent will provide support to division staff in the form of construction and service contracts, contract management, organization requirements, and administrative functions. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to planning, negotiating, administering and analyzing contracts that are difficult and complex. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to interpret and implement written instructions; ability to communicate orally and in writing; ability to deal with all levels of personnel. Incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain contracting warrant. May be

required to serve a managerial probationary period. Full performance level: DP-3.

No. 26-032, Maintenance General Foreman, WS-4701-15, Code 2642 - This is a temporary promotion NTE 1 year. May be made permanent without recompetition. Position is Head, Construction Branch, Maintenance Utilities Division, Public Works Department. Incumbent supervises through subordinate supervisors approximately 115 employees involved in construction shops, project range support, substations, and power distribution. Performs the full range of supervisory duties and responsibilities. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise through subordinate supervisors; abil-

ity to plan and organize work; knowledge of different relevant lines of work; ability to work with others; ability to meet deadline dates under pressure; ingenuity (ability to suggest and apply new methods); and knowledge of affirmative action principles and a willingness to implement EEO practices. Full performance level: WS-15. May be required to complete a one-year supervisory probationary period. **SUPPLEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE GENERAL FOREMAN REQUIRED.**

No. 26-033, Clerk (Typing), DG-322-1/2, Code 2611 - The incumbent provides clerical assistance for the Management Information Branch. Duties include preparing travel orders and training requests, filing, mail distribution, miscellaneous typing and answering telephones. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of NWC travel, procurement and secretarial procedures. VAX/VMS experience is desired but not required. Promotion potential: DG-2.

No. 28-012, Budget Analyst, DA-560-3/DP-560-3, Code 2837 - The incumbent is involved in preparing budgets and plans; preparing, monitoring, and evaluating financial reports and budgets; providing ongoing day-to-day advice and recommending financial solutions to managers with problems in the budget area. Responsible for responding directly to requests for information regarding the NWC budget from local management and off-center financial management personnel. **Job relevant criteria:** Ability to gather and analyze raw financial data; ability to prepare clear and concise written and oral communications; ability to deal tactfully and effectively with all levels of personnel and management; ability to function effectively as a team member. Promotion potential to DP-3. (2 vacancies).

No. 28-016, Supervisory Computer Specialist, Computer Programmer, Computer Systems Analyst, DP-334-3/DS-334-3, Code 2803 - This position is located in the Financial Systems Project Office of the Office of the Comptroller. The incumbent will direct a staff of specialist who provide PC support to the department. PC support includes installation of hardware and software, PC applications (analysis, requirements definition, design, development, programming), training on applications and accessing mainframes, help-desk, network support, expertise on new applications. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to perform as a first-line supervisor; ability to plan, organize, coordinate and manage a support group; knowledge of affirmative action principles; ability to communicate orally; Ability to communicate in writing; Knowledge of PC hardware, software, networks,

interfaces and applications. Incumbent must have the willingness to implement EEO practices and may have to serve a one year probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-3.

No. 34-009, Technical Information Specialist DA-1412-2/Librarian DA-1410-2, Code 3433 - This position is located in the Technical Services Branch of the Library Division. The incumbent will provide professional and technical support for the acquisition of library materials and the cataloging of technical reports. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of library processes and procedures; knowledge of basic reference resources; knowledge of MARC formats for bibliographic data; knowledge of online library systems; knowledge of NWC procurement system; knowledge of personal computers and their operation. Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing; ability to analyze data and write proposals; ability to provide evaluation of costs, supplies and other library information; ability to perform online reference and research; ability to work effectively with various levels of personnel. Promotion potential to DA-3, but not guaranteed.

No. 36-019, Supervisory Engineering Technician, DT/DP-802-3, Code 3641 - Area of consideration is limited to the 03 directorate. This position is head of the Metrology Branch, Engineering & Production Processes 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. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of metrology and calibration services; knowledge of safety practices; knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures; willingness to support NWC EEO policies and goals. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-3, but not guaranteed.

No. 36-022, Supervisory Quality Assurance Specialist, DS/DP-1910-3, Code 368 - Area of consideration is limited to the 03 directorate. This position is head of the Soldering Technology Branch in the Product Assurance Division. The Division is responsible for providing product assurance support for a wide range of complex weapons systems and related equipment developed or managed by the Naval Weapons Center. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise a large branch through subordinate section supervisors; knowledge of the Product Assurance disciplines;

ability to communicate orally; ability to communicate in writing; ability to interface effectively with both on and off-center management; willingness to support Federal EEO program goals and objectives. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. Promotion potential to DP-3 but not guaranteed.

No. 39-026, Interdisciplinary (General/Electrical Engineer/Physicist/Mathematician), DP-801/850/1310/1520- 2/3, Code 39B9 - This position is located in the Advanced Technology Exploitation Office, Anti-air Projects Office, Intercept Weapons Department. The incumbent will perform systems analysis of weapons systems. The incumbent will be concerned with the measurement, analysis, prediction, and simulation of the environments to which weapons are exposed. Includes the evaluation and interpretation of environmental data and the simulation of environmental models. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of radar principles; Knowledge of weapons systems; Knowledge of fleet operations; Knowledge of mathematical analysis techniques. Experience with Microvax and Silicon Graphics computer system is desired, but not required. A TOP SECRET clearance based on an SBI is required. Promotional potential to the DP-3, but not guaranteed. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 39-035, Supervisory Interdisciplinary General Engineer/Mechanical Engineer/ Electronics Engineer/ Aerospace Engineer/ Physicist/ Mathematician, DP-801/830/855/861/1310/1520-3/4, Code 3954 - This position is Head, Radio Frequency System Branch, Radio Frequency Division, Intercept Weapons Department. The branch is responsible for design and analysis of RF systems for air-launched weapons. The incumbent's duties include directing and participating in technical tasks of the personnel being supervised, developing and expanding the technology base of the branch, developing and expanding the product base of the branch, personnel administrative management for the branch. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of transmitters, receivers, signal processing and/or RF guidance systems; Knowledge of RF systems and subsystems, radar seekers and electronic counter-countermeasure techniques; Ability to interface with and make presentations to NWC management and sponsors; Ability to communicate in writing; Ability to communicate orally; Ability to deal effectively with people; Knowledge of NWC personnel policies and procedures; Knowledge of affirmative action principles including a willingness to implement EEO practices. Promotion potential to DP-4, but not (Continued on Page 21)

Coso betters \$1 million a day for first time

Gross income for all geothermal development units has consistently topped this figure since going over the mark on August 31

Since August 31, the nine turbines of the Coso Geothermal Energy Project have been consistently generating more than \$1 million each day in gross cash sales of energy to the Southern California Edison Co. Dr. Carl Austin, head of the Naval Weapons Center's Geothermal Program Office, noted the million dollar a day milestone was first achieved on that last day of August with \$1,008,589 in revenue for the 240 megawatts of energy produced by Navy and Bureau of Land Management power plants in the Coso area.

Austin stressed this is a gross income figure, before any expenses and operating costs are deducted, but noted it is the latest in a long string of milestones for the geothermal project dating back to bringing the first turbine on line producing electricity for the power grid in July of 1987.

Benefits from the program are spread throughout the area.

The Coso plants are the largest tax revenue source for Inyo County. The Sierra Sands School District receives a significant amount of its annual budget from taxes paid by the Coso project. Both construction workers and permanent employees of the prime contractor, California Energy Co. Inc., live in Inyo and Kern

counties, pumping money into the local economy and Kern County gets some tax revenue from the project as well.

As for the Navy, the contract with California Energy provide for both direct cash payments to the Navy and for reducing the NWC electrical energy bill with power from the Navy plants. Austin said the Center's electric bill has been cut by about 35

percent thanks to geothermal development.

Austin noted there were three original goals when work on producing energy at Coso began. And, all three of those goals have been met thus far. The goals were:

- Protect the Center's mission by preventing use of the land from energy development encroachment. This was done by ensuring the work was done under a Navy

contract and the Naval Weapons Center Commander was the responsible federal official for all the real estate in the Coso area.

- Placement of an alternative energy resource in the Coso area to meet Navy and Department of Defense energy conservation and alternative energy goals.

- And, if possible, to save money.

But, above all, it was essential to protection of the Center's mission that the Navy controls the real estate.

Looking ahead, Austin expects a drive within the next year to expand the production capability beyond the existing 240 megawatt maximum. He notes the shallow geothermal reservoir, now being tapped, has a realistic production capability of 600-650 megawatts. And, the deeper (more than two miles down) reservoir has an estimated potential of up to 4,000 megawatts and a life expectancy measured in centuries.

For a project some said wasn't feasible and would never work, the \$1 million a day in revenue is a significant and imposing figure.

As Austin is fond of saying, "the darn thing works, it really works!"


Project helps Navy meet many energy goals says visiting NAVFAC official

As an alternative energy source, the Coso Geothermal Power Project is without peer in the Department of Defense (DoD). Joe Ashley, head of the Energy Management Branch for the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) in Washington, D.C. noted DoD was given a target of 100 megawatts in alternative energy by the late 1990s, the Navy alone now has 310 megawatts of alternative energy sources in place, 240 megawatts of that come from Coso.

Ashley also said the Navy has a goal of three more contracts, such as the one NWC has with California Energy, by the end of the century.

Looking at energy conservation, he said DoD had a goal of cutting the 1985 energy consumption level by 12 percent by 1995. The Navy has already cut consumption by 8.5 percent, and that's without credit for the savings generated by Coso power plants.

Coso continues to be so successful that during National Energy Conservation Awareness Month in October, the Navy's display in the Pentagon lobby will be entirely focused on the Coso Geothermal development, said Ashley.

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Friday, September 21st

- Seafarer Lunch Special-California Beef
- Hawaiian Luau-O'Club, 6:00 p.m., X2581

Saturday, September 22nd

- Golf Course has new China Lake logo items!
- Matinee, NWC Theater, 2 p.m., Doctor Doolittle

Sunday, September 23rd

- Open Roller Skating, Youth Center, 1-4 p.m.
- Brunch, Seafarer Club, 10-2 X2581

Monday, September 24th

- Seafarer Lunch Special-French Dip
- Grilled Steak/Chicken-11 a.m. to 1 p.m.-Seafarer
- Monday Nite Football, O'Club & CPO Lounges, 5 p.m.

Tuesday, September 25th

- CRAFTTECH Daytime Classes-Sign-up Today!
- BINGO MADNESS-Seafarer, 7:00 p.m. X2581
- Seafarer Lunch Special- Sloppy Joes

Wednesday, September 26th

- Mid-week stress? Come play 18 at the Golf Course!
- Call for Information on "Jazzercise" X6542

- Seafarer Lunch Special-Crab Salad

Thursday, September 27th

- Seafarer Lunch Special-Taco Salad
- Sign-up for the 1990 Mini Triathlon X6542
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According to Kerry B. Swiggum, traffic manager, CLPD Operations Branch, areas of concentration for radar traffic enforcement by patrolling officers during the next week are listed below and include:

- Monday -- South Knox Road.
- Tuesday -- Poleline Road.
- Wednesday -- Lauritsen Road.
- Thursday -- CLPL Road.
- Friday -- Blandy Avenue.

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Naval Weapons Center machinist vies for "top gun" title

Tim Dawson, a machinist in the Naval Weapons Center's Central Model Shop Branch, Engineering and Production Processes Division, will attempt a clean sweep in the Inyokern Airports' on-going competition between local top guns.

During the past year, the Inyokern Airport's Special Events Committee has held four fly-ins, where pilots have competed in

three contests -- balloon popping, flour bombing and spot landing. Contestants accrued points in each competition and the pilot with the most points wins.

While Dawson has flown away with the balloon popping and flour bombing contests, there is a tie in the spot landing event. Therefore, the committee has arranged a tie-breaking "fly-off" on Sunday,

Oct. 7, at the Inyokern Airport. The three pilots, Dawson, Shel Simonovich and Clair Moors, will be given three tries to land on a specific line painted on the airport's runway. This event requires a great deal of concentration, knowledge of the plane and its capabilities at a specific speed and judgement of flying conditions.

Simonovich works at NWC's Drone

Tracking & Control Branch and Moors owns/operates Moors Aero Services, Inc.

The public is invited to come out to the Inyokern Airport to see if Dawson can fly away as the valley's undisputed top gun.

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on the part of minority groups and women's organizations; 3) accomplished substantially more than the required program responsibility in taking affirmative action to insure equal opportunity for employees and applicants for employment; and 4) initiated programs resulting in significant contributions to the Federal Women's Program, the Hispanic Employment Program, the Handicapped Employment Program, and other special emphasis program areas.

Study lead to concerted effort to reverse negative trends

According to the nominating letter, Kraft met the first requirement in two ways. First, she implemented a study of the recruitment and selection processes in the Junior Professional (JP) Program, a college recruitment program. The data pointed out trends and patterns in the recruitment and selection process which constituted obstacles for minorities and women who had prepared themselves to enter scientific and engineering fields. In response, NWC management made a concerted effort to reverse those negative trends, resulting in a significant increase of offers made to minorities and women. In 1990, 94.1 percent of the qualified Hispanics who applied for positions at NWC received offers, which was a 56.6 percent increase from 1989; while the percentage of qualified

Blacks who were offered jobs in 1990 rose 40.3 percent from 1989 figures.

NWC's EEO manager was credited for a five percent jump in Black and Hispanic participation in the Cooperative Education Program at China Lake.

Kraft proposed and implemented an automated system which identifies applicants for every advertised position at NWC. The Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment System (FEORP) identifies applicants by gender and ethnicity and tracks the applicant's progression from initial application, qualification's rating, referral for selection and final selection or nonselection. "If the referral rate for minorities is low in an office or code," said Kraft, "we will be able to tell by using the FEORP, enabling us to find out what the problem is."

Kraft met the second criteria by energizing the local Hispanic Employment Program (HEP) by formulating task groups to develop proactive strategies for improving the Center's recruitment and retention rate of Hispanic employees and establishing a local chapter of the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers. In addition, through her efforts, eight minority students were hired through the Navy's Centralized Co-op Program, five Hispanic, two black and one white female engineering students -- a first for this Center in terms of participation in this program.

The nominating letter further stated that through Kraft's encouragement and funding support, the Federal Women's Program implemented a training pro-

gram which shows great potential for preparing women to move up the organizational ladder.

NWC's EEO manager also implemented a series of prevention of sexual harassment classes. More than 1800 employees have been trained in prevention of sexual harassment during the past 12 months.

Kraft met the third criteria by arranging a number of architectural changes and was instrumental in setting aside \$250,000 for future barrier removals to facilitate the employment and movement of handicapped individuals at NWC.

In an effort to resolve EEO complaints before a formal complaint is filed, the EEO manager established the command counselor position. As a result, 94 persons were counseled in the period of Oct. 1, 1989 through June 6, 1990 and none filed a formal complaint, resulting in no monies

'Full court press' on all major aspects of EEO programs

expended in the resolution of those complaints.

Through these initiatives and actions, Kraft has strategically directed a "full court press" on all major aspects of the Federal EEO program, noted the nominating letter, meeting the fourth criteria.

"Her ability to integrate the EEO and staffing/classification/compensation functions has resulted in a strong program, which will continue to have significant impact on NWC's employee profile, particularly in the special emphasis program

areas," read the letter.

The NWC EEO Office is also responsible for the Technical Mentor Program and the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA). The Technical Mentor Program involves 20-30 high school juniors and seniors and is targeted to minority, disadvantaged and female high school students. THE JTPA involves a number of high school and college students from the Ridgcrest and Bakersfield area. The students and their counselors spend eight weeks during the summer working at NWC. Of these students, 78 percent are minorities and 52 percent are female. Students in both programs are encouraged to consider curricula which would prepare them for scientific and engineering careers and are encouraged to consider a cooperative education agreement with NWC while attending college.

"Capt. Cook and Bill Porter (NWC technical director) has

been tremendously supportive of the program and Department of the Navy directives," said Kraft. "Without top management support, this program could not succeed. Capt. Cook has been very vocal in making it known he supports these programs. I couldn't have done it without them."

Born in Frankfurt, Germany, Kraft received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Human Resources Management from Pepperdine University of Calif. in 1978 and her Master of Science Degree in Business Management and Administration from LaVerne University, Arkansas, in 1981. Since coming to NWC in 1985, Kraft has served in many positions, ranging from clerk typist to her present position. She has received many special service and superior achievement awards in recognition of her outstanding performance, including the Department of Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award.



Kathy Kraft

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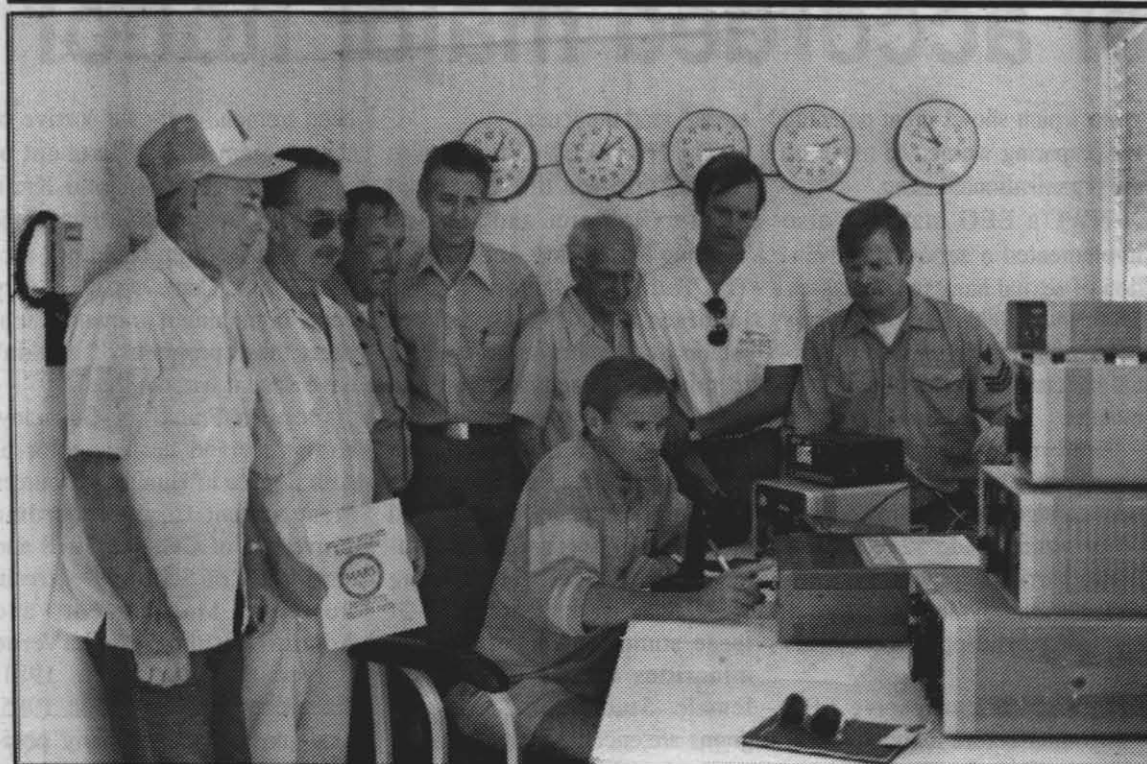
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HELPING THOSE SERVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST — Dr. Ron Ogren (seated), president, Sierra Amateur Radio Club, studies the equipment at the NWC Military Affiliate Radio Service (MARS) station while (left to right) Monty Shinn, Ray King, ATC Bill Oberg, Bill Maraffio, Bob Phillips, Terry Mangrum and AE1 Steven Rainey watch and offer advice. Photo by PH3 Cary Brady

MARS outlet now on line

MARS Station goes on line-- The Naval Weapons Center Military Affiliate Radio Service (MARS) station, readied for operation by NWC Reserve Support Unit 0176 over a number of last year's active duty weekends, will soon be increasing morale both in the Middle East and here at home.

With the help of the Sierra Amateur Radio Club, the station will be activated soon, allowing overseas service members to contact their families in the states for the price of a station-to-station collect phone call from China Lake to wherever the families are located in the United States.

The station will use high frequency radio equipment connected to a telephone line to provide this opportunity for "real time" communication -- quite an advantage over reading a letter that might be four weeks old.

Chief Russ Cleveland commended the support provided by members of the civilian club, mentioning that they not only helped prepare the equipment for operation, but have volunteered to man the station. This could mean quite a sacrifice, considering differences in time zones between those at opposite ends of the telephone line.

"This overall effort shows one way that NWC and the local community can work together to give maximum support to the hard-working men and women overseas," said Cleveland.

Interested civilians should contact Dr. Ron Ogren, president of the Sierra Amateur Radio Club, at 375-4496. Military personnel interested in the project should call NWC Support Unit 0176 members Kevin Holm at NWC ext. 4779 or Steve Rainey at NWC ext. 5613. By JOC Carolyn Dettling

Single Parenting Group sets meeting on Monday morning

On Wednesday, Sept. 26, the Single Parenting Group will meet at 7:45 a.m. in the Branch Medical Clinic Conference Room. The topic of this meeting will cover deployment for the single parent.

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California offers two "free fishing days" a year as a means of encouraging the public to try angling and recognizing the tireless efforts sport anglers have contributed over the years in the name of California conservation.

Eastern Sierra area

Due to a strong sub-tropical high, temperatures in the Eastern Sierra area have been above normal, noted the Bishop Chamber of Commerce. However, this weather pattern will change soon, bringing in cooler temperatures.

Crickets are the ticket to nice size trout in the Big Pine area. Limits of pan size trout are being taken from Big Pine Creek and Tinemaha Reservoir is releasing nice catches of brown trout.

South Lake has the best fishing in the Bishop area. Try powerbait, salmon eggs or lures. Trollers should try the inlet with a Dave Davis and needlefish. The inlet at Lake Sabrina is releasing 12-inch fish on powerbait, nightcrawlers or inflated worms for anglers fishing from shore. If trolling, go down 3 colors with a Dave Davis with worm or lead core line with a needlefish.

Red is now the predominate color for fishing in the Rock Creek Lake area. Shore fishing is best at the inlet. When trolling, go down 4 to 5 colors and use a Dave Davis with needlefish. The high country lakes are excellent for those wanting to enjoy a hike prior to fishing.

Large trout are being taken from Convict Lake. Yellow powerbait is best when shore fishing; trollers should try a frog needlefish and god down 5 to 8 colors. Takes about two and a half hours to catch a limit.

Float tubing or flyfishing is still available at Crowley Lake. Hilton Bay has been a good area for float tubes; one lucky fisherman caught a 3 1/2 lb. trout using a Zonker.

Various baits and lures are recommended for the Mammoth Lakes area. Fluorescent orange power nuggets or an inflated nightcrawler is best when shore fishing at Lake Mary; try a gold Phoebe or Cast Master if using lures. Try yellow powerbait, fly and bubble or a rapalla or super duper for a lure at Lake George. Yellow powerbait, nightcrawlers or a Thomas lure are working at Lake Mamie and Twin Lakes. If trolling on Twin Lakes, use a flasher with nightcrawler or a rapalla lure. Flyfishing with muddlers, hornbergs or wooly worms has been very successful in the Upper Owens River. Bait fishing is best with a nightcrawler or crickets.

In the June Lake Loop, June Lake has been pretty good for anglers using red eggs, yellow or orange powerbait or a nightcrawler with marshmallow. If trolling, go to 3 colors and use a needlefish with a rapalla or triple t-zer. Shore fishing from Gull Lake is best using red eggs, yellow powerbait or nightcrawlers with marshmallow. If troll, try a frog needlefish, triple t-zer or silver rapalla. Red salmon eggs, orange or pink powerbait or marshmallow are recommended for shore fishing at Silver Lake. If trolling, use a Dave Davis with a nightcrawler. Rush Creek has been best with lures or flies in the early morning or late evening. The Narrows is the best spot for shore fishing at Grant Lake for anglers using yellow, orange or pink powerbait, red salmon eggs or a nightcrawler with marshmallow. Trollers should go deep and use a rapalla.

At Bridgeport, the Bridgeport Reservoir is slow, but the fish being taken are running between 1 1/2 lbs. to 5 lbs. Don't expect to catch them right off, as it takes three to four hours per rod to bring in just one fish. For best results, fish from the bottom and use nightcrawlers or

powerbait. The best fishing to be found is at either Virginia or Twin Lakes. While bait fishing is proving to be productive at both lakes, the fish seem to be biting between 7 and 9 a.m. at Twin Lake. The West Walker has been great for flyfishermen using a grasshopper pattern, but isn't good for bait fishing.

Lake Isabella

With 2,548 surface acres of water, Lake Isabella is releasing plenty of small-size catfish, noted Norlyne Klievoneit from French Gulch Marina. However, she said, as the water temperature drops, large mouth bass activity is increasing.

Bass in the 3-lb. range are being caught off Engineers Point and in the French Gulch area. For best results, try a shad pattern or chartreuse color crank bait in the early morning hours.

Trout fishing on the river, from the power house to Riverside Park in Kernville, has been productive. Anglers are catching stocker-size fish on Zeke's cheese bait or rooster tails in black and yellow pattern.

Starting in October, adult size bluegills, sun fish and green ear perch will be planted in Lake Isabella. According to Klievoneit, \$16,000 collected through the Isabella trout derby and Department of Fish & Game fine money will be put back into the lake. "This spring," she said, "we will seed bare areas of the lake with rye and plant more fish."

Upcoming events around the lake include the Dam Tough Run, Sept. 30, Lake Isabella; the Street Rod Run, Oct. 6-7, Kernville; Early California Days, Oct. 5-7, Wofford Heights; Sierra Art Fair, Oct. 12-14, Kernville; and the Kernville Rodeo, Oct. 20-21, Kernville.

For further information about fishing or activities scheduled around the lake, call the French Gulch Marina at (619) 379-8774.

Scorpion Under-19 soccer team loses first game, ties second

Opening its Fall league play on an off-note, the Scorpion Under-19 soccer team fell to the Bakersfield Outlaws two weeks ago by a score of 0-1.

Trying to start the game at a slow pace, the Scorpions allowed the Outlaws to control the early parts of the game. Midway through the first half, the local team failed to clear a loose ball in front of their own net, allowing the Outlaws to take advantage

and scoring a goal from point blank range.

Meanwhile, noted the coach, the Scorp generated enough offense to score goals, but the finishing touch just wasn't there.

"The Scorpion team is fundamentally solid," he said, "Some simple changes need to be made, especially with respect to running on defense. Two pleasant surprises were the play of Fletcher Nelson in midfield and Alan Bullard

in goal."

In the second game of the season, failure to take advantage of scoring opportunities resulted in a 0-0 tie when the Scorpion Under-19 soccer team locked horns with the Bakersfield team, Quick Silver, this past weekend.

According to the Scorpion coach, the best chances for the local team came late in the contest. Ted Mechtenberg hit Steve Mills on perfectly timed passes

for break away plays, but both times, Mills received "strong physical contact" as he crossed the 18-yard line.

Saturday, the Scorp play in a

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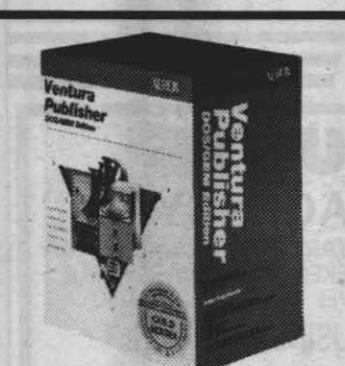
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Center employee sets new cycling course record in time trials

Naval Weapons Center employee Dieter Weik, a member of the High Sierra Cyclist, set a new course record for the local road bike time trial this month. Weik rode the

19.6 mile course in a time of 43:45 to surpass the previous record by 28 seconds.

The High Sierra cyclist established the course record in January of 1988 by being

the first person to ride the course in less than 47 minutes. He bettered his own record several times during the last two and a half years, but his record was broken

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Housing says: Yard of the Month winners congratulated

Housing says. . . Naval Weapons Center Command and the Housing Office staff would like to offer their thanks and appreciation to all Yard of the Month recipients for 1990. The end of summer marked the end of the program for this year.

The winners honored this past summer were: AKC and Mrs. Michael A. Wendt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack E. Diamond, DK3 and Mrs.

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Mrs. Michael Berry, Sgt. and Mrs. Chris J. Beebe and OS1 and Mrs. Sandy D. Redding.

To all the residents who have devoted time, effort and hard work, thank you for your help in improving the appearance of the Housing area. To those with well-maintained yards who were not selected, your hard work is appreciated. The program will resume again in May 1991.

Center residents can dispose of wastes

Next Saturday (September 29) Naval Weapons Center residents will have an opportunity to legally dispose of any hazardous or toxic wastes they have accumulated around the home or garage.

In conjunction with the Fall Clean-up Day, the Environmental Projects Office and the Safety Division of the Safety and Security Department are offering free

disposal of most hazardous waste to Center residents. The material should be brought to the west parking lot of Building 981 in the Public Works Compound, just off Inyokern Road. Wastes at this point will be accepted from 8 a.m. to noon.

This disposal day is open to Center residents only. Kern County is holding a similar free

hazardous waste disposal day for its residents who bring wastes to the Inyokern Airport on Saturday, Oct. 13.

Center residents can get rid of their old paint, paint thinner, motor oil, car care products, garden spays, home cleaning products and most anything marked hazardous of toxic. This is a good chance to easily and cleanly

get rid of these old materials cluttering up the garage, under the kitchen sink or in the bathroom.

Anyone bringing items for disposal are asked to leave the materials in original containers with the labels intact.

Please do not bring radioactive or explosive materials, they will not be accepted.

CLWISE plans first meeting for local group

China Lake Women in Science and Engineering (CLWISE) will hold its first bi-monthly luncheon on Oct. 3. Karen Higgins, head, Sidewinder Project Office, will give a presentation on *Weapons Systems Development Process Overview*. The discussion topic at this meeting, which is set for 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the Seafarer Club, is *Typical Challenges, Sacrifices, and Obstacles Women Need to Face and Overcome in the Work Force*. The menu is soup and salad for \$4.50.

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Letters to the troops are link with home

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In his letter, the first sergeant noted the time as 9:36 a.m., with the temperature at 102 degrees. "Most of our soldiers are getting only one hot meal every two days," read the letter, "and averaging three hours of sleep a night. In spite of this, morale is very high!"



Marge Donaldson

The letter continued, "... Letters such as yours are the focal point of our soldier's day, and the smiles on their faces and the mist in their eyes when they read them and know they are loved is a sight to behold. You can almost see their backs straighten and their chins jut out in a new show of determination."

Douglas J. Cook, a 19-year old private in

the 101st Airborne (assault) Division, wrote, "I am one of the many defenders that read your letter. ... It boosted up a lot of people's morale to know that there were people back home worried about us. I know there are a lot more people like you. I wish they would show it like you did and write to us. I'm glad you took some of your time to let us know how much you care."

Capt. Steven Hernandez wrote, "First of all, let me thank you for your letter. It has made it's way through a good portion of First Battalion, 502nd Infantry Regiment. The standard comment after reading your letter, is 'Hooah!' Around here, that's a good compliment in infantryman's lingo."

Donaldson has already written back to each of the three servicemen. "The sheer indomitable spirit of these people to make the best of a situation is really something," she said. "I want to show them they have my support."

In honor of that support, the Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 24th Infantry Division selected Donaldson as their official "pin up girl." "Other entries were younger," wrote 1st Sgt. Jodell, but none were as beautiful."

People wishing to write to unnamed sailors/Marines afloat and participating in Operation Desert Shield should use the following address: Any Servicemember, Opera-

tion Desert Shield, FPO N.Y. 09866-0006. For Army, Air Force and Marine personnel on the ground in Saudi Arabia, write to: Any Servicemember, Operation Desert Shield, APO N.Y. 09848-0006.

To help the service members answer their letters with a minimum of fuss, Donaldson



PVT Douglas Cook

suggests sending stamps in the letters sent overseas. "But most of all," she said, "please write to these service people. Show them you care."

Editor's Note: The Rocketeer will be glad to print excerpts from other letters China Lakers receive from servicemembers taking part in Operation Desert Shield.

STC chapter eyes new area memberships

New members are being sought for the Ridgecrest-based Sierra-Panamint Chapter of the Society for Technical Communication (STC). According to Maggie Frazer, membership chairwoman, new members lend support to chapter programs and, at the same time, benefit by participating in chapter activities.

STC is the world's largest international education organization devoted to the profession of technical communication. Frazer noted the Sierra-Panamint Chapter currently has 37 members, including technical writers and editors, managers and supervisors, graphic artists, technical illustrators, audiovisual specialists, freelancers and consultants.

Members meet monthly to hear speakers and attend presentations on subjects for professional enrichment.

For more information on the local STC chapter, call Frazer at NWC ext. 2325.



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AND THE WINNING TEAM IS-- Capt. Raymond A. Kellett presents the NWC Intramural Softball League first place trophy to the VX-5 Vampires (front row, left to right) AMS2 John Jostad, SSGT Richard Whitcomb, ADCS Gary Harper, ATC Mike Bass, (back row) AK3 Steve Bangs, AO1 Danny Cheek, AT3 Bud Foltz, AO3 Tery Coker, AO2 William Bennington. The Vampire team led the league with a 9-1 record for the past game season. Other participants in the softball season included the Branch Medical, Odnance, Operations, Code 21 and the Underachievers teams.

Scorpion team stings Outlaws in soccer play

In Bakersfield this past Saturday, the Ridgecrest Scorpions Under-16 Soccer Team won their first Golden Empire Soccer League game. The local team brushed by the Bakersfield Outlaws 3-2 to even their record at 1-1. The previous weekend, the Scorpions lost to the California Express, 7-0.

The Outlaws scored the only goal of the first half at the 20-minute mark. The Scorpions came back strong with a goal from Chad Shedlock just five minutes into the second half. Jerry Green tallied another goal for the local team just eight minutes later. With just 15 minutes remaining, the Outlaws evened the score, 2-2. But in the closing minutes of the game, Green pushed the Scorpions on top 3-2 with his second goal of the afternoon.

Defensively, the Scorpions were lead by goalkeeper Steve Sticht and sweeper Eric Armstrong. Outside fullbacks Howard Gamble and David Renner were very effective in containing the Outlaw's attack. Elliot Borden did his part when he came in to play center fullback in the second half, replacing Kevin Self, who was injured.

Roller skating classes begin in October

Roller skating classes are being offered monthly throughout the year at the NWC Youth Center for students five years old and older.

Classes will be taught by Annette Spencer, who is nationally certified by the Society of Roller Skating Teachers of America (SRSTA), and will involve artistic skating disciplines for all levels of ability.

Sign-ups are from Sept. 28 - Oct. 9 for the following classes:

Advanced Low/Mid Level Classes will be held on Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. from Oct. 9-30. Skills taught will be 1/2 to full-revolution jumps, one-footed spins and consecutive 3-turns.

Adult-All Level Classes will

be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays from Oct. 9-30. Skills taught will involve forward basics, one foot balancing, pushing, stopping, and introduction to backward skating for lower levels.

Higher levels will include figure and dance basics, backward development, turning, and gliding.

Beginning-Top Level Classes (for DoD employees and dependents only) are slated for Wednesday from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. from Oct. 10-31. Skills taught will involve refining backward skating, one-footed skills, a simple hop, and introduction to figures and spins. Prerequisite: 6-8 yrs and continuing students from the beginning to mid-level classes.

Beginning-Mid Level Classes (for active duty, reserve and retired military personnel and dependents only) will be held on

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The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary is holding a Mongolian B-B-Q at 117 N. Alvord St., Ridgecrest on Saturday, September 29, 1990. The B-B-Q will start at 4 p.m. at a cost of \$5.00 per person. After the B-B-Q there will be music provided by the sounds of Stillwater. Proceeds to go to the Cancer Fund. Members and guest.

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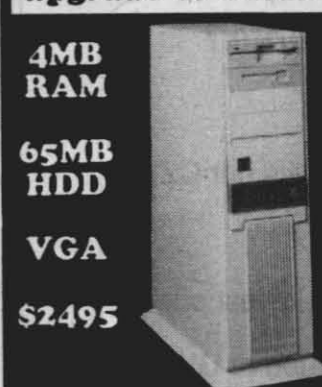
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Craig brings 24 years experience

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College in Norfolk, Va., where he studied Joint Service Operations. He then reported to VF-171 for RAG refresher training in the F-4, with subsequent assignment in 1979 to VF-31 aboard USS *Saratoga*, deploying to the Mediterranean Sea.

Assigned to the staff of the Commander, Fighter Airborne Early Warning Wings, Pacific, in October of 1980, Capt. Craig served as the fighter operations officer. In 1982 he assumed command of Naval Air Facility, Diego Garcia in the British Indian Ocean Territories and later assumed command of VT-25 squadron in Beeville, Tx.

It was back to sea in 1986, when Capt. Craig was assigned as the air officer aboard USS *Midway*, home ported in Yokosuka, Japan, where he participated in extended deployments to the North Arabian Sea in support of Persian Gulf operations, and to the Sea of Japan in support of the 1988 Olympic Games. He comes to NWC from duty with Chief of Naval Operations in Washington, D.C., where he was assigned to the staff of the Director, Navy

Requirements for Research and Development, Test and Evaluation (OP-098), serving as head, Air Superiority Branch.

As the new leader of the Aircraft Department, he's ready to jump in with both feet. Several motivating factors brought the captain out to work for China Lake. "Not only is there incredible test and evaluation going on at NWC right now, but as a Navy captain, to get back into the cockpit for another three years or longer is a wonderful thing, there just aren't many four-striper flying billets around!" The captain will be flying the F-A18 Hornet and also hopes to fly the Phantom. "When they told me I could fly here, I decided it just might be time to make a career decision, I'm still having fun, so I may stick around for a couple more years."

The new branch head came onboard Center Aug. 13 and took over department responsibilities on Sept. 7. He is in the process of attending a cycle of briefs from various division heads. According to the captain, he will initially be involved with the maintenance of aircraft and airfield facilities

and ease into the projects side of the house. "My primary responsibilities are to keep the aircraft up and in good safe flying condition, and to retain a staff of trained pilots proficient in their ability to fly various types of aircraft."

Capt. Craig is ecstatic about living the "high desert way of life". His first visit to the China Lake area was in July, after being offered the position here. "I've heard of NWC for the past 24 years, but I've never been here," said Craig. His initial reaction to the desert was instant compatibility. "I love the desert, the air is so clear and clean, it's absolutely breathtaking." He and his family welcome the small town environment. "Ridgecrest has a very good reputation as a family oriented town and close knit community, these are the things we find very attractive."

Capt. Craig is married to the former Laura Ann DaCosta of Bethesda, Md. They have three children, Eric, 24, Collette, 21, and Adam, 7.



PRIDE AND PROFESSIONALISM--VX-5's Commanding Officer, Capt. Raymond A. Kellett, presents AO2 Quarry with a Navy Achievement Medal Vampire receives medal

Pride and professionalism brought the honored Secretary of the Navy's "Navy Achievement Medal" to Aviation Ordnanceman Second Class (AO2) Kevin Bruce Quarry at a recent Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five general quarters ceremony.

Commanding Officer, Ray-

mond A. Kellett Jr., presented and congratulated Petty Officer Quarry for the outstanding achievement by a squadron member.

Petty Officer Quarry is enthusiastic about his award and assignment to VX-5's Ordnance Branch. (Continued on Page 12)

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