

Steel Magnolias to open

You are all invited to Truvy's Beauty Shop to witness the warmth of friendship, the bond of laughter, and the courage of steel six women of Chinquapin Parish experience. Theirs is a story of love, of strength and of laughter. In the final week of rehearsal, the castmembers of China Lake Players' *Steel Magnolias* are preparing for opening night performance on November 30th. This will be China Lake Players' last show of the 1990 season.

Step inside the Old Kern County Building and instantly find yourself in Truvy's Beauty Salon, where gossip runs high and "there is no such thing as natural beauty." There you'll meet Truvy (Polly Miller), the beauty salon owner who knows everything about everyone. Her assistant Annelle (Laura Mathews), who is new to Chinquapin and hides a mysterious past everyone else is dying to find out about. The



WELCOME TO TRUVY'S—Shelby, (Carin Miles left, seated) and M' Lynn (Kristine Smith right, seated) discuss the wedding of the decade, while Truvy, (Polly Miller, left,) and Annelle, (Laura Mathews, right) listen in on the latest and greatest news.

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salon would not be the same without the town's Grand Dame, Clairee Belcher (Jill Butler), who always says, "if you don't have anything nice to say, come sit by me," or her closest friend, Ouiser Boudreaux (Holli Sheets), who endlessly grumbles about her hairless dog Rhett. The salon is in an uproar right now due to M' Lynn (Kristine Smith) and Shelby Eatenton (Carin Miles), who are going round and round about planning the biggest wedding to ever hit Chinquapin. With so much going on you can't afford to miss this lovable group!

Many of you may be familiar with the recently released movie starring Sally Field and Academy Award nominee Julia Roberts. The play opens at the Old Kern County Building, on Ridgcrest Blvd., Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 and runs through Dec. 7 & 8 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door and the boxoffice will open at 6 p.m. for each performance. General admission tickets are \$6 while military, students, and senior citizens cost \$5.

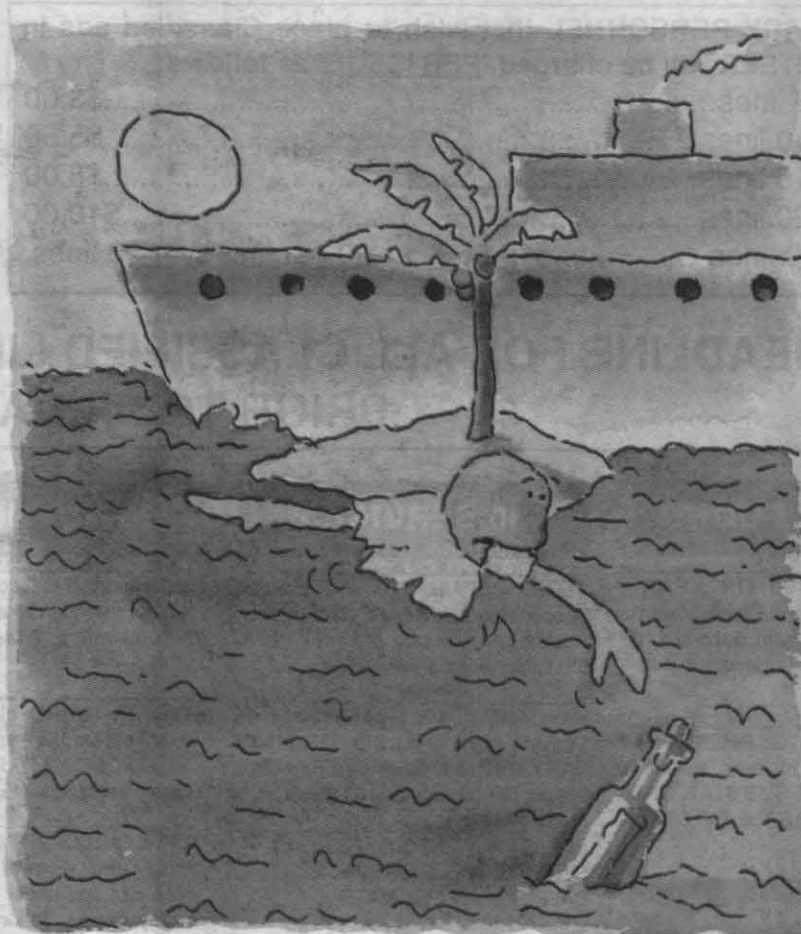
Community Events

Interleaf Inc. will demonstrate the soon-to-be-released Interleaf 5 software on Nov. 27 and 28 at the Ridgcrest Carriage Inn. In addition, configuration management tools, a portable maintenance aid and the DoD initiative, CALS, will also be presented, along with product demonstrations. Interleaf will be supported by Sun Microsystems, Kurzweil Scanners, ORACLE and Lotus Development Corporation. For more information, call David Topper at 213-640-9311.

Each week, Community Connection for Child Care provides special parenting tips through their Parenting Tape Program. Interested parents can listen to these helpful, three to four minute tapes from 5 p.m. to 10 a.m. by calling 375-0446. Tapes being shown are as follows: Nov. 22-30 — *Problem Eaters* offers suggestions on how to cope with common eating problems. Dec. 1-7 — *Child Care Options* explains three types of child care — centers, family child care homes and care in your own home.

Get December 1st Just for Kids Christmas Party tickets ahead of time
It's a Just for Kids Christmas Party at the available at the Youth and Child Care Center, Military NWC Youth Center on December 1st. Tickets are \$3.00, DoD \$4.00 and all others \$5.00.

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Toys for Tots drive begins for 1990

Toys for Tots sponsored by the Women's Center Holiday Food Basket Program and supported by the Marine Aviation Detachment (MAD) has designated "collection box" locations at Bank of America, Contel, Daily Independent, Branch Medical Clinic, News Review, Benchmark Cable TV, Michelson Lab (Main and North entrance), NWC Admin Building, Code 31 office and Airfield Building 20185, Room 2.

Eleven classes from Groves, Pierce, Richmond and Vieweg schools decorated the collection boxes. Students were rewarded with refreshments provided by the committee, headed by Carol Baker, Carol Barry, Peggy Bell, Judy Caldwell, Gloria Erickson, Carol Garrison, and G.B. Valdivia. The last day for depositing toys is *Thursday, December 20*. For more information call 1st Sgt. Hatley, MAD, NWC ext. 939-6601, or Joanie Bayne, 939-2903 or 375-7531.

WACOM seeking new volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help at the Womans Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers Mess (WACOM) Thrift Shop. The shop helps military members and more with distribution of monies to groups in need.

WACOM volunteers would welcome new members, in particular military wives who would like to volunteer some of their time. Any volunteer will feel very appreciated and be able to make a real difference for the community. Potential volunteers are urged to drop by the shop or call for more information at 336-6667.

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Vampires capture special honors

VX-5 presented Meritorious Unit Citation for the second time in its history

Normally bringing a units' operational and administrative commander under the same hangar bay is like moving mountains, but Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5) accomplished this with relative ease when the squadron was awarded its second Meritorious Unit Commendation for meritorious service in support of the Department of Defense charter for independent operational test and evaluation of airborne strike weapon systems. There to present this prestigious award to the Commanding Officer, Capt. Raymond A. Kellett, Jr., and his personnel was Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force, (COMOPTEVFOR) VAdm. H.L. Webster and Commander, Light Attack Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet, (COMLATWINGPAC) VAdm. S.R. Briggs.

Criteria for a squadron receiving such an award requires exceptional service performed as a unit where the overall caliber and charac-

ter is comparable to an individual who is given a Bronze Star Medal in a non-combat situation. The award is given by the Secretary of the Navy for achievements which render a unit outstanding compared to other commands performing similar functions.

During the period from March 1, 1988 to February 15, 1990, VX-5 personnel achieved significant accomplishments and milestones which entitled them to such recognition. Specific contributions included completed operational evaluations (OPEVAL) of major block upgrades to the F/A-18, A-6E SWIP, AV-8B Night Attack, OV-10D, EA-6B ICAP II and AH-1W aircraft; operational introduction of missile systems to the fleet including IR Maverick, Laser Maverick, High Speed Anti-Radiation Missile (HARM) Block II and Block III, Hellfire and Sidarm; and five system to aircraft integration tests including GAU 25mm Gun with AV-8B, HARM with the EA-6B,

Radar Beacon Forward Air Controller - Target Data Communicator (RABFAC-TDC) with the A-6E, AVR-9 Data Link Pod with the A-7E and AVR-2 Laser Warning Receiver with the AH-1W.

The squadron also completed operational evaluations on the BSU-85/B Air Inflatable Retarder Fin; Air Refueling Store; several classified programs; FMU-140/B Electronic Bomb Fuze; ARC-182 Combination Radio; Standard Central Air Data Computer (SCADC) and Tactical Air Launched Decoy (TALD); and was instrumental in the technical redesign of twelve systems submitted for OPEVAL including Airborne Self Protect Jammer (ASPJ), ALR-67 Radar Warning Receiver; DSU-30/B Target Detecting Device (TDD) CHAFFROC; Bigeye Chemical Weapon; AGM-123A Skipper missile; Gator Mine; Tacit Rainbow; Carrier Aircraft Inertial

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BRAVO ZULU VAMPIRES! — Ready to cut the ceremonial cake celebrating VX-5's Meritorious Unit Commendation are (l to r) VX-5 Commanding Officer, Capt. R.A. Kellett, Jr., Commander, Light Attack Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet, VAdm. S.R. Briggs, VX-5 Command Master Chief, MMCM R.A. Williams, and Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force, VAdm. H.L. Webster. The squadron's two bosses, COMLATWINGPAC and COMOPTEVFOR joined forces to present this prestigious award to the Vampires. Photo by PH3 Rob Foster

CFC:

New valley-wide record set with gifts this year

Once again federal employees at the Naval Weapons Center and in the Indian Wells Valley have set a new record for generosity through the annual Combined Federal Campaign.

This year the only government-wide charity fund drive raised donations and pledges of more than \$262,000.

Fran Rugg, CFC coordinator for the area, said the total was \$262,613. This figure surpassed the \$260,000 goal for the year's campaign. Last year, \$255,000 was raised. Roughly 30 percent of all China Lakers, military and civilian, Postal Service and Bureau of Land Management personnel made donations this time around.

"I want to give special thanks and extra recognition to the department key workers and their division helpers, they were the ones who made the drive successful, we couldn't have done it without their enthusiasm," said Rugg.

This year 1,952 individuals made an average gift of \$132.64 per person. The CFC goal for the 1990 effort was \$260,000.



China Lake Calendar

Tues. Nov. 27

... NWC Supercomputing Forum last session, 1-3 p.m., Michelson Lab, Room 1000D
... Computer Society monthly luncheon, 11:30 a.m., NWC Seafarer Club

Wed. Nov. 28

... IEEE monthly luncheon session, 11:30 a.m., NWC Seafarer Club

Coming Events

Dec. 1, Just For Kids Christmas Party, NWC Youth Center. Call x2909 for details

Dec. 8, Breakfast With Santa, NWC Seafarer Club

Dec. 12, Surplus Government Property Auction, 9 a.m., Warehouse 41 (Building 1073)

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 Fridays publication.

American Indians play important role for DoD

American Indians have taken part in every major conflict since the birth of the United States, including the Revolutionary War. As the nation and the Department of Defense observe the first Native American Indian Heritage Month, it is important to remember the Indian veterans. More than 8,000 served in World War I, 25,000 Indian men and women served in World War II and more than 41,000 were active during the Vietnam Conflict.

In 1984, the then-Veterans Administration estimated that about 74,900 Indians received VA benefits equalling \$15 million annually.

According to the 1980 census, the most recent data available, 66 percent of all American Indians live in California, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, North Carolina, Washington, South Dakota, Michigan, Texas and New York. More than half of the Indian population live in five states: California, 198,275; Oklahoma, 169,292; Arizona, 152,498; New Mexico, 105,976; and North Carolina, 64,536.

In 1990, Native Americans, which includes Alaska Aleuts and Eskimos, constituted 0.6 percent of the Department of Defense military force. This was a slight decline from the 1982 representation of 0.7 percent. Native American representation to the officer ranks was 0.4 percent. Also in 1990, the overall representation of Native Americans was slightly higher in the Coast Guard (1 percent).

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Wellness Corner

The following is a list of CHINA LAKE CHALLENGE participants who met an established standard or won an event (age and/or gender category). People who participated in the 5 K WALK and the AEROBICS also met the standard, however their names are not listed. Names from the HOOP SHOOT and the DASHES were not available.

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According to Senior Chief Ships Serviceman Romeo Binaoro, the Commissary Store manager, SH1 Nabor competed with sailors from 10 Southern California Navy Commissary Stores. "This is the first time a China Lake Commissary Store sailor has ever won this honor," the manager said.

In a Letter of Commendation, Capt. C. A. Hoyt III, commanding officer of the Navy's Supply Corps, wrote, "the total diligence, dedication and initiative you continually display have contributed immeasurably to the success of Commissary Store operations at NWC... Your abil-



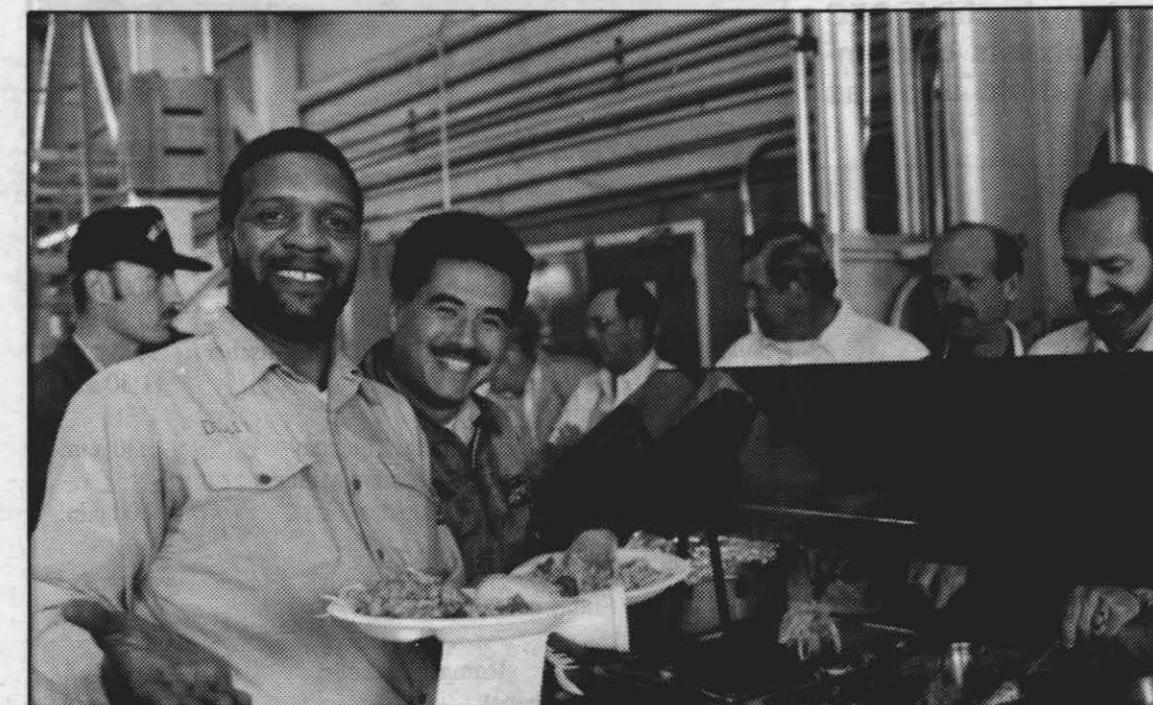
WELL DONE -- Ens. Michael Corsey presents the San Diego Regional Sailor of the Quarter citation letter and award to SH1 Ken Nabor at the NWC Commissary. Nabor is the first NWC sailor to ever win this honor. Photo by PH3 Cary

ity to accomplish your duties under even the most stressful conditions, has earned you the highest respect and admiration of all who serve with you, and has brought considerable credit upon yourself and greatly enhanced the reputation of the NWC China Lake Commissary Store, NAVRESOFSO San Diego Region, and the Navy Resale System. Your 'Can Do' attitude and keen sense of responsibility have contributed significantly toward improved morale and a cohesive organization..."

As leading petty officer, SH1 Nabor is a "jack of all trades" at the Commissary, noted SHSC Binaoro. "He has been able to fulfill a number of roles in an outstanding and efficient manner."

Having been at NWC for the past three years, SH1 Nabor and his wife, Julie, will be leaving the China Lake area for a new duty station in December. "His expertise will be sorely missed," concluded SHSC Binaoro.

CODE 61 DIGS IN WHILE THE FOOD IS HOT-- AE2 Delley and AE2 Hoover fill their plates with scrumptious holiday goodies. Code 61 held its annual Thanksgiving Day lunch on the west deck of Hangar Three on Monday. The feast, put on by the secretaries and managers, is held to show appreciation for military personnel, junior professionals and civilian employees who work in Code 61. Photo by PH3 Cary Brady



Navy Resale and Service Support Office provides answers

Each month, the Navy Resale and Services Support Office provides answers to a series of the most commonly asked questions in areas such as Navy Exchanges, Commissaries, Ships Stores, Navy Lodges and uniforms. The Navy Uniform Program is the subject of the "Glad You Asked" column.

Q. Which government agencies are responsible for purchasing, setting policy, distribution, and sale of Navy uniforms?

The following agencies and their respective areas of responsibility are part of Navy Uniform support worldwide: Navy Resale and Service Support Office-the commander, NAVRESSO, is the program manager for Navy

uniforms. NAVRESSO's Navy Uniform Division provides guidance and support to Navy Exchanges in the management of Navy Uniform Centers.

It also maintains operational control and has responsibility for sales, issues, expenses, operational budgets, stock plans, and inventory levels, pricing of commercial uniforms, certification processing and resource selection.

Navy Exchanges/Navy Uniform Centers-Under the guidance of NAVRESSO, distribute and sell government issue uniforms (at cost) to the Navy enlisted community and provide commercial uniforms and accessories for officers and chief petty officers, at cost plus operation cost

Navy Uniform Board-sets policy for uniforms such as

uniform regulations and authorized items.

Defense Personnel Support Center-awards manufacturing contracts and set pricing for government issue Navy uniforms, with the approval of the Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Q. Is the new women's Service Dress White Jumper uniform available at Uniform Shops?

The women's service dress white jumper top and slack are now available as optional items at Navy Exchange Uniform Shops and through the Uniform Support Center. The cost for jumper and slacks is \$24. The cost of the jumper and skirt is \$22.70.

NRS provides baby layettes

Birth is a joyous occasion and each Navy and Marine Corps junior a source of pride to the new parents. The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NRS) is pleased to share in this celebration of new life by offering a small gift to help defray the initial cost of caring for the "new addition" to a family.

On request, the China Lake NRS will provide a lovely starter set for the new baby of active-duty Navy and Marine Corps personnel. This gift is available to all service families in pay grades E-5 and below. For families in pay grades E-6 and above, one layette may be provided on the basis of need.

Baby clothes and infant care items in this layette are purchased new. A special gift is handcrafted by a NRS volunteer. Each layette includes: crib blanket, two crib sheets, two receiving blankets, lap pads, undershirts, thermometer, teething, brush and comb, rattle, towel set, Spencer gown sleeper, Curly gown sleeper, 1-piece infant sleeper, 2-piece sleeper with zipper, boxed sleeper with bib, more bibs, summer kimono, summer sleep and play onesie, a book for first time mothers and a handcrafted sweater, bonnet and bootie set.

Navy Relief suggest that together the prospective parents call NWC ext. 2921 during the last month of pregnancy or first 30 days after birth. A one and a half hour appointment with a counselor will assist the parents with a budget and provide practical financial information. A layette will be given at that time.

Some wonderful people, NRS volunteers, take great pleasure in crocheting and otherwise preparing your baby's layette. Allow them to share in your pride and joy on this special occasion.

Three China Lakers in reserve Seabee unit receive recognition

Three China Lakers in Detachment 0217, Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-17, were honored recently at an awards ceremony during a week-end drill.

CMCN Shawn B. Knister was named Sailor of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 1990 (July-September) for Delta Company, Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion-17, Detachment 0217. Delta Company is made up of reserve Seabee members from China Lake, Bakersfield and Las Vegas.

The notifying letter, signed by Lt. Martin McKenna, company commander, read, "your attendance during regular drills, in addition to your performance of six additional non-pay drills, helped the China Lake Detachment reach an almost impossible goal of total renovation of the High Power Rifle Range at the Naval Weapons Center. Your devotion and commitment to the reserve functions/projects have made a very positive impact on the quality of training facilities for the Center's active duty personnel. Your excellent attitude has added to your Seabee can-do

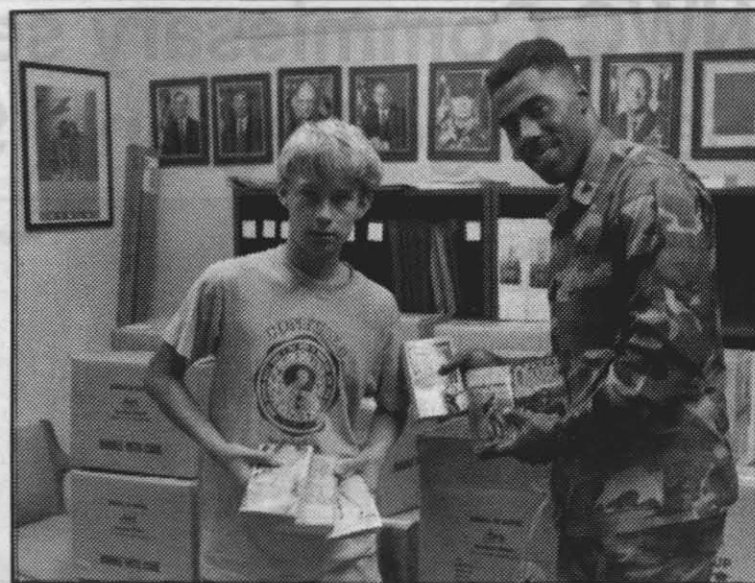
spirit..."

Achievements by EO1 Bill Cordel and EOCN Tom Devore were also recognized when they received Rifle Expert Medals.

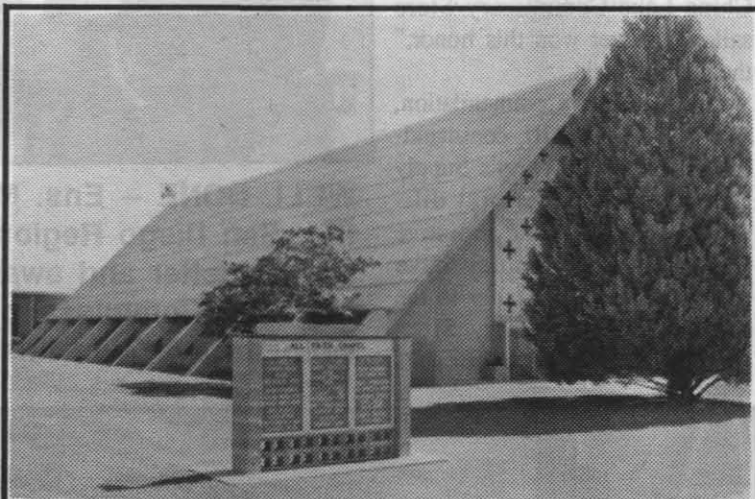


DEDICATION REWARDED -- Lt. Martin McKenna, commanding officer of Delta Company, RNMCB-17, reads the letter naming CMCN Shawn Knister (left) the company's Sailor of the Quarter for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 1990. Standing beside the CO is Delta Company's chief, CEC Tim Feldstein. The company consists of members from China Lake, Bakersfield and Las Vegas. Photo by CM1 Paul Jones

EO1 Cordel was further honored when he was awarded the Naval Reserve Meritorious Service Medal, which is similar to the Navy's Good Conduct Medal.



BOOKS FOR DESERT SHIELD--Russell Patton, Boy Scout Troop 35, presents Cpl. Michael Exford, MAD, with 2,700 books for Desert Shield service members. The troop collected reading material to send to the Persian Gulf.



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)	12 (noon)
Roman Catholic	
Sunday Mass, Main Chapel	9:00 a.m.
Daily Mass, Small Chapel	11:35 a.m.
Confessions, Weekdays	By appointment
Religious Education Classes (Sunday) (September thru May)	10:30 a.m.
1902 Dibb, 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)	3:00-5:00 p.m.
Religious Education (Sunday at 1004 Blandy)	9:00 a.m.-12 noon

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FAMILY AFFAIR -- At a party celebrating his reenlistment for another three years, AMS1 Herman Lee Major holds his daughter, Shonna Alexandra, while LCdr. Tony Casimano, command chaplain and reenlisting officer, greets his wife, Mercedita. AMS1 Major works in the Counseling and Assistance Center (CAAC) as a drug and alcohol counselor. Photo by PH3 Cary Brady

Cerro Coso sets early period for registration

Early registration for Spring courses for continuing students at Cerro Coso Community College will be Dec. 3-7, 10 and 11 by appointment. Early registration for new students will be Dec. 5

and 10 by appointment. Regular registration for continuing students will be Jan. 7-10 by appointment, while continuing and new students can register Jan. 8 and 9 by appointment. The

Center will pay for an employee's full tuition if the courses are provided under the NWC/Cerro Coso Contract. If employees can show courses are job-related or will strengthen their contribu-

tions to the Center's mission, tuition will be paid directly to the college by Code 224. To apply for this support, submit NAVWP-NCEN 12410/73 (Rev. 12-88) Request for On-Center Training.

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Point Zero fashion sweaters for Young Men. Reg. \$38.-45. Sale 50% off.*
Diner short sleeve fleece tops for Young Men. Reg. \$28. Sale 50% off.*

CHILDREN

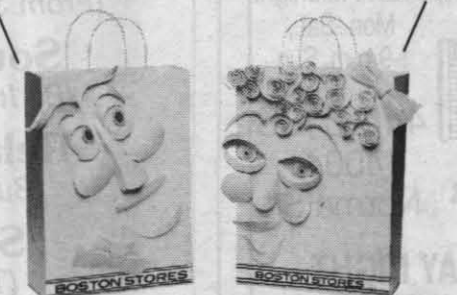
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Reassignment opportunities

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 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. 31-092, Interdisciplinary (General/Electronics/Electrical/Aerospace/Mechanical Engineer/Physicist/Mathematician/Computer Scientist/Operations Research Analyst), DP-801/855/850/861/830/1310/1520/1550/1515 - 2/3, Code 3192 - This position is in the A6 Branch of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent is responsible for coordinating flight test data acquisition, data reduction, and data analysis efforts in support of a government/contractor Operational Flight Program development team. The incumbent works closely with other branch personnel, with contractors, and with the Range Department to identify data acquisition requirement and data product requirements, and to develop or maintain software tools necessary for data reduction and analysis. The incumbent analyzes flight test data to isolate and identify

sources of error. To apply, send an updated SF-171 to B. Spoons, Code 3192, NWC ext. 5668/5018.

No. 35-015, Aerospace/Mechanical Engineer, DP-860/830-2/3, Code 3522 - This position is located within the Advanced Technology Branch, Weapons System Development Division, Attack Weapons Department. The branch is responsible for development of advanced missile guidance systems, subsystems and components. Incumbent would provide technical support as an electronic/mechanical designer on a variety of in-house team projects. Proficiency in current drawing standards and GD&T and a electronic packaging background is preferred, but not required. Incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain necessary security clearances. Send SF-171's to: Tex Hoppus, Code 3522, ext 3080.

No. 27-010, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 2712 - The

incumbent provides secretarial support to the head Telecommunications Projects Branch and personnel. Knowledge/working skill on Macintosh computer, knowledge of acquisition process, and ability to deal effectively with all levels of personnel is desirable. Must be able to obtain and maintain a secret clearance. Position is located in the duplex area. Promotion potential to DG-2, but not guaranteed. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 30-013, Secretary, DG-318-2/3, Code 303 - Incumbent will provide secretarial support to the Head, Weapons and Tactical Analysis Center (WEPTAC) and three branches. Incumbent must be able to deal effectively with all levels of personnel up to and including Flag-level, both On-center and Headquarters level. Experience with the Macintosh is desired. Promotion potential to DG-3. Area of consideration is limited to the 03 Directorate.

No. 35-014, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-1/2, Code 3513 - The incumbent provides secretarial support to the Systems Effectiveness Branch. Experience operating Macintosh computer and experience dealing effectively with all levels of personnel is desirable. Must be able to obtain and maintain a secret clearance. Position is located in the Bldg 00003 complex. Promotion potential to DG-2, but not guaranteed. Area of consideration is limited to the 03 Directorate.

No. 39-045, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-2/3, Code 393 - This position is open to current 03 employees only. This position is located in the Intercept Weapons Department, Fuze Sensor Systems Division. Incumbent provides secretarial and administrative support for the division Head and staff. Knowledge of NWC operations and regulations is desired with special emphasis on NWC correspondence procedures. Ability to meet and deal effectively with others is highly desirable. Knowledge and working skill on the Macintosh II PC is desirable. Promotion potential to DG-3, but not guaranteed.

Algor Finite Element Analysis seminar sought

Following is a proposed Algor Finite Element Analysis Hands-On Seminar. While this event is sponsored by the Naval Weapons Center, it is not paid for by NWC funds. If enough people would like to take and pay for this course themselves, or be funded through their codes, the seminar will be held January 28-31.

Scope: Learn how to perform finite element analysis (FEA) on your engineering designs from the leading vendor of personal computer FEA software. This course will walk you through the basics of creating a graphical FEA model, analyzing it and interpreting analysis results, then into more advanced applications of Algor software. The course is hands-on, with no more than two seminar participants to a computer.

Participants will learn how to create FEA models with ViziCad Plus -- Algor's powerful CAD-like modeling system. ViziCad Plus' user-friendly interface is completely graphical, enabling participants to easily develop even complex FEA models. Once participants have constructed an FEA model, they will learn how to graphically apply FEA parameters, such as loads, forces and boundary conditions to different areas in their model.

Next, the instructor will show how to invoke Algor's processing programs to analyze the model. Participants will be introduced to the different types of processors available to them with the Algor system.

Finally, participants will learn how to graphically view and interpret analysis results. The instructor will explain how Algor's Precision Contouring option can help pinpoint any problem areas in the model and how those areas can be corrected to achieve the most accurate FEA analysis possible.

FEA analysis enables users to better understand how their designs will perform in their service environment. Results can help users determine which areas of their design should be re-designed for greater strength and which areas can be trimmed to reduce material costs. The hands-on nature of this course makes it easy for participants to quickly get up-to-speed on Algor, the desktop FEA analysis system used most by engineers.

For more information on the seminar, contact Leslie Cannon, Algor account manager, at (412) 967-2764. Cost is approximately \$750 per person and the class is limited to 10 people.

Health insurance open season

Eligible employees will be able to change insurance plans or enroll in a plan if not currently enrolled during the upcoming Health Insurance Open Season scheduled to conclude on Dec. 10. Plan comparison charts have been distributed to all employees. The charts enable employees to compare all the plans available to them (price, deductible, coverage). To enroll in a new plan, or to make changes in the current plan, employees must go to Room 100 at 505 Blandy, before Dec. 10. Once there, the employee will be provided his or her Official Personnel Folder from the clerk and be directed to their specific personnel assistant.

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Good ideas bring MIPI recognition

Innovative ideas brought recognition to 22 China Lakers recently in an awards ceremony hosted by the Model Installation Program Office. A total of 19 Model Installation Initiatives (MIPIs) were approved on the local level. Capt. Douglas W. Cook, NWC Commander, thanked the recipients for their time saving, cost efficient ideas as he handed them their MIPI hats and coffee mugs.

No. 610 - A MIPI by Kay Farrell, Code 2611, provides for the limited use of credit cards to purchase computer software updates and for software repairs.

No. 634 - Bill Bonner's MIPI expedites acquisition by classifying cables as equipment/personal property rather than as systems. Bonner is a member of Code 2601.

No. 641 - June Fletcher and Cathy Spindler, both from Code 2854, joined forces and suggested BOQ's be required to make a reservation or give a non-availability certification number. This MIPI resulted in a change to the NAVWPNCN instruction to allow a local statement that "BOQ reservations could not be confirmed" to be put on travel orders.

No. 674 and No. 677 - Audrey Pryor, Code

258, and RM1 Carson Decker recommended NWC stock recycled computer paper or allow NWC workers to be able to buy it on the open market. These MIPIs caused Code 25 to place a paragraph in all non-GSA purchase contracts to buy recycled products whenever possible. In addition, a clause will be added to local contracts to buy recycled products whenever possible/feasible.

No. 679 - Stacey Howard, Code 372, proposed the use of a computer database to keep track of travelers' departures from LAX and Ontario so that rental car use might be shared more effectively.

No. 695 - Margaret Hannon, Code 2836, noticed overrun reports for customer orders on the MRTFB fund documents were generated when in reality, the funds were not overrun. Hannon recommended the process be changed so those reports would not be generated, unless the document is actually overrun.

No. 698 - Vickie Eyre, Code 31102, proposed Public Works provide alternative methods for reporting minor repair or trouble reports. Based on this MIPI, PW is establishing a new process which includes calls to the

trouble desk, use of E-mail and chits through Guard Mail.

No. 700 - Wanda Williams, Code 258, proposed the introduction of drip irrigation systems on base to prevent the water loss conventional sprinkler systems often cause. Code 2637 has adopted the idea on a limited basis to test the feasibility for wider use throughout the Center.

No. 717 - With the number of personal computers increasing each year, the number of useable, but obsolete PCs is also on the rise. Rather than sending these old computers to surplus, Dillard Bullard, Code 05, suggests NWC look into companies which "recycle" older computers for use or credit on new computers. Code 27 agrees with the concept and is looking into contracting for implementation of the idea.

No. 723 - This MIPI by Nancy McCrary and Merrie Vandermulen, both from Code 39021, sought to streamline the C&S process related to bankcard purchases. Code 27 agreed with the concept and implemented a revised process based on this initiative.

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MIPI TIME—Twenty-two China Lakers were saluted for their efforts in finding a better way for the Naval Weapons Center to do business. They all had Model Installation Program Initiatives approved at the local level and most of the ideas are being implemented at NWC. Capt. Douglas W. Cook, Center Commander, presented each with a MIPI hat and mug and exhorted them to keep up the good work. TID Photo

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Secretarial opportunities

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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.

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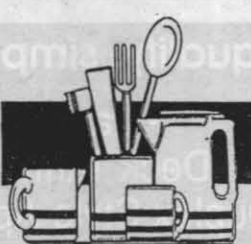
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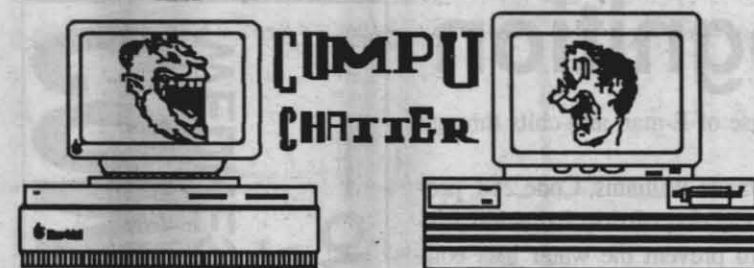
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With the introduction of the new Mac LC and IIsi, Apple has also introduced a new sound in/out feature. Both the LC and IIsi come with sound in/out as a standard feature and includes the HyperAudio Sound Utility for HyperCard. Apple wasn't about to leave everyone else out in the cold. Other Macs can be upgraded to incorporate the new sound in/out capabilities and applications. First, System 6.0.7 or newer must be running on your Mac. Second, the serial port on other Macs can be used to connect an external microphone, such as Farallon's MacRecorder, to record sounds. Of course, you'd need to get the HyperAudio Sound Utility to utilize sounds in HyperCard.

One of the simple applications for creating your own sound is for the system alerts. With sound in/out, now, when you look at the control panel for sounds, you'll be able to add your own alert settings. Just think of the fun little messages that you could reproduce with your Mac when you make system errors. Ok, that sounds like a lot of fun, you say, but what about using the new sound capability for work applications. Application software is being developed as you read this column that will incorporate sound right into a word processing file or spreadsheet, just to name a couple of examples. Without changing the physical appearance of your documents, you could add comments to a letter or spreadsheet noting a special explanation. All you have to do is click the sound icon to playback your message. Microsoft, Claris, ACIUS, Aldus, and others will be incorporating sound into existing applications as well as developing new applications to take advantage of sound input. Keep an eye out for these new products.

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By Bob Beane

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Veteran Center employees set retirement plans

John Anderson, Code 6449 is retiring after 30 years of service and will be honored at a farewell party on Wednesday, at the White Star Mine Dining Co. The farewell begins at 5:30 p.m. Punch and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Tickets are \$6 at the door. For presentations or a donation call Gene at NWC ext. 3571-382.

Wayne R. Huler, Code 6235

will end 29 years of federal service Nov. 30. A retirement party is set for Wednesday, 5 p.m. at El Charro Avitia. For reservations, donations or presentations call Shari at NWC ext. 6336.

Sue Pryor, Code 261 ends a 45-year federal career with retirement on Dec. 31. A farewell is set for Thursday, Dec. 6 at John's Pizza. Starting time is 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$7each. For reservations, donations or presentations call Tracy at NWC ext. 3240.

Gene Myers of Code 3642 retires after 20 years of federal service on Wednesday A lunch is set for Monday at Carlos Miguel's Restaurant at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$6.75 each. For reservations, donations or presentations call Donna at NWC ext. 1878.

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Merit promotions

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No. 28-032, Fiscal Accounting Assistant, Supervisory, DG-503-4, Code 2855 - This position is located in the Disbursing Office, Customer Services Division Office of the Comptroller. The incumbent will be a deputy to the Disbursing Officer and as such, acts under an approved power of attorney executed by the Disbursing Officer, is authorized to perform any and all acts relating to the receipt, disbursement, and custody of, and accounting for public funds in the name and for the account of the Disbursing Officer including the signing of checks drawn on the Disbursing Officer's checking account with the Treasurer of the United States, and performs such acts relating to public funds as directed by the Disbursing Officer. The incumbent will supervise 6 to 8 Disbursing Office personnel. The incumbent maintains detailed accounts of all disbursing activities such as checking account records, cashbook, cash account records, records of excess travel advances, process civilian payroll, and financial reports. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of regulations, rules, techniques, and procedures applicable to the disbursing system; ability to analyze, interpret and

apply applicable rules and regulations to a variety of situations; ability to communicate orally and in writing; ability to act of first line supervisor; knowledge of affirmative action including a willingness to implement EEO policies and goals. Must serve one year supervisory probationary period if not previously completed.

No. 31-093, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (General/Mechanical/Electronic/Aerospace Engineer/Physicist/Mathematician/Computer Scientist), DP-801/830/855/861/1310/1520/1550 - 3/4, Code 3134 - This position is that of Head, Models and Simulations Branch, which develops, produces, maintains, and supports models and digital simulations of EW equipments and systems. Validation, verification, and configuration control are integral to the simulation products, as are friendly user interaction and provisions for graphical display and simulation playback. Functions include related analyses of system engineering principles, and utilization of applicable software development standards and state-of-the-art software development technologies. Maintenance of specifications, interface, and software documentation for cognizant projects is required. The branch also maintains secure facilities for software development, operational computer systems, and customer users. An Apollo-based automated software engineering environment includes CADRE and Interleaf development tools. Computers include VAX, Microvax, Flexible, and Cyber systems. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of affirmative action principles including willingness to implement EEO practices; knowledge of EW avionics equipment including hardware, software, and embedded computer applications; knowledge of electromagnetic threat systems; knowledge of EW avionics test requirements and techniques in the laboratory and in flight; ability to plan, organize, coordinate, and manage technical projects; ability to translate performance descriptions into software requirements and designs. Incumbent may be required to serve a one-year supervisory probationary period. The selectee must be able to obtain and maintain a Top-Secret clearance. The full performance level of this position is DP-4.

No. 35-016, Supervisory Interdisciplinary Electronics Engineer/Electrical Engineer/Mechanical Engineer/Aerospace Engineer/Computer Scientist/Mathematician/Physicist DP-855/850/830/860/1310/1520/1550-3/4, Code 3515 - This position is

Head HARM Software Branch. The Branch Head directs the work of the HARM Software Support Activity. This work includes development and testing of tactical software for High Speed Anti-Radiation Missiles and associated aircraft avionics systems. Also included is the development and operation of the Advanced HARM Workstation, a state-of-the-art hybrid RF threat simulator for HARM. The Branch Head works closely with the HARM Project Office and NAVAIR to plan, obtain funding for, and prioritize execution of HARM development and support programs. Incumbent supervises approximately 15 engineers, scientist, technicians and specialists. **Job relevant criteria:** Ability to plan, organize and coordinate a technical group; Knowledge of affirmative action principles including a willingness to implement EEO practices; Ability to communicate in writing; Knowledge of anti-radar missile systems; Knowledge of labo-

ratory design and operation for missile and aircraft systems. Promotion potential to DP-4 but not guaranteed.

No. 39-044, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Electronics Engineer/Physicist/General Engineer/Aerospace Engineer/Mathematician/Mechanical Engineer) DP-855/1310/801/861/1520/830-3/4, Code 3951 - This position is Head, Special RF Technology Branch, Radio Frequency Guidance Division, Intercept Weapons Department. The branch is responsible for research and development of antennas, radio frequency (RF) components, and electromagnetic (EM) modeling of RF scattering and radiating systems. Branch also operates an antenna measurement facility and a backscatter range. The incumbent's duties include directing and participating in technical tasks of personnel being supervised, developing and expanding technology base of the branch, developing and expanding product base of the

branch, personnel management for the branch, and application of NWC Demonstration Project. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of electromagnetic fundamentals and techniques for RF and antenna analysis; ability to develop and use computer solutions to complex RF problems is desired; understanding of measurement methods and techniques used for RF components, antennas, and electromagnetic scattering is desired; ability to interface with and make presentations to NWC management and sponsors; ability to communicate well orally and in writing; ability to deal effectively with people; understanding of personnel policies and procedures; knowledge of affirmative action including a willingness to implement EEO policies and goals. Must serve one year supervisory probationary period if not previously completed. Promotion potential to DP-4, but not guaranteed.

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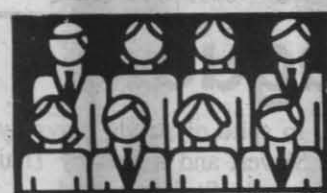
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Eligible spouses (of military sponsors) with competitive employment status may apply for employment preference. Those enrolled in this program will automatically receive consideration for employment on vacancies for which they applied. For initial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

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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. 22-007, Personnel Clerk/Assistant (Typing), DG-203-A/1/2, Code 226 - Incumbent performs the following duties for a major department(s): processes all actions affecting appointments, pay setting, separations, conversions of appointment, etc; performs competitive and noncompetitive qualification ratings; performs ranking and may conduct ranking/selection panels; and drafts vacancy announcements for recruitment. At the higher levels, incumbent advises and recommends to supervisors and managers recruitment options for certain occupations (e.g. clerical); participates in various phases of crediting plan development.

Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of personnel policies and procedures related to staffing; ability to plan, organize, and accomplish work independently; ability to perform a variety of clerical/technical functions; ability to research, comprehend, and apply complex regulatory information. Promotion potential to DG-3. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 27-008, Interdisciplinary (Computer Scientist/ Mathematician/Electronics Engineer, DP-1520/1550/855-2/3, Code 2722 - This position is located in the Scientific Computing Facility (SCF) Operations Branch in the Information Systems Group. The incumbent will be responsible for managing the configuration of the S&E computers in the facility - CRAY XM/P EA/116, CONVEX C210, and DEC VAXs. This duty includes developing, documenting, and maintaining procedures

for changing operating classification levels; developing and maintaining a database on a Macintosh PC of configuration drawings and all electrical and communications connections for the facility; arranging and scheduling of hardware installations and facilities improvements; scheduling and overseeing the work of the computer operators; operating the classification switch that changes network and front end access to the CRAY. This position may require some physical labor; i.e., lifting floor tiles and tracing cables. Travel for training and conferences is required. Occasional overtime, on short notice, is necessary. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge in system management/administration in VAX VMS or Unix multi-user environment; ability to monitor contracted operations; knowledge of security classification requirements for computer systems; ability to organize complex tasks and information; ability to plan in detail; ability to deal effectively with people. Must be able to obtain and maintain a Top Secret clearance. Promotion potential to DP-3, but not guaranteed.

No. 27-009, Computer Specialist, DS-334-2/3, DP-334-3, Code 2722 - This position is located in the Scientific Computing Facility Operations Branch in the Information Systems Group. Incumbent is responsible for managing configuration of the S&E computers in the facility - CRAY XM/P EA/116, CONVEX C210, and DEC VAXs. Duty includes developing, documenting, and maintaining procedures for changing operating classification levels; developing and maintaining a database on a Macintosh PC of configuration drawings and all electrical and communications connections for the facility; arranging and scheduling of hardware installations and facilities improvements; scheduling and overseeing the work of the computer operators; operating the classification switch changes network and front end access to the CRAY. Position may require some physical labor; i.e., lifting floor tiles and tracing cables. Travel for training and conferences is required. Occasional short notice necessary. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge in system management/administration in VAX VMS or Unix multi-user environment; ability to monitor contracted operations; knowledge of security classification requirements for computer systems; ability to organize complex tasks and information; ability to plan in detail; ability to deal effectively with people. Must obtain and maintain a Top Secret clearance. Promotion potential to DP-3, but not guaranteed.

No. 27-012, Supervisory Communications Specialist, Communications Management Specialist, Computer Specialist, DP-393/391/334-3/4, Code 271 - This position is that of Head, Communications Division, Code 271. The Communications Division is primarily responsible for the life cycle management (LCM) of the Center-wide Integrated Communications System (ICS). This LCM responsibility includes the planning, analysis, definition and coordination necessary to specify, procure, design, integrate and operate communication systems and their associated voice, data and

No. 27-011, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Electronics Engineer, Electrical Engineer, Computer Scientist, mathematician), DP-855/850/1550/1520-3/4, Code 271 - This position is that of Head, Com-

munications Division, Code 271. The Communications Division is primarily responsible for the life cycle management (LCM) of the Center-wide Integrated Communications System (ICS). This LCM responsibility includes the planning, analysis, definition and coordination necessary to specify, procure, design, integrate and operate communication systems and their associated voice, data and image/video networks. The Division also assists in liaison, coordination, and planning with internal and external NWC organizations in support of joint Navy Laboratory communication programs, and is responsible for the liaison, coordination, and planning with internal NWC organizations and external organizations [e.g., SPAWAR, NAVCOMTELCOM, DASN (IRM)] to support Navy communication programs. The prime function of this position will be to manage and coordinate activities to provide: network QA/CM and security; corporate network facilities; analysis, design, implementation, documentation, and maintenance of voice, video, and data networks; project planning and contracting for corporate communications equipment and services including the Center Telecommunications System and Video Teleconferencing; and administration of communication systems contracts. Travel involved. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of affirmative action principles, including a willingness to implement EEO practices; knowledge of Navy acquisition/contractual policies and procedures; ability to plan, organize, coordinate, and manage multiple technical projects; knowledge of communication standards and developing standards such as SONET, ISDN, FDDI; knowledge of gateways, LANs, bridges, digital switches, and fiber optics; ability to effectively deal with contractors and vendors; ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing. The incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain a Secret clearance. Must serve one year supervisory probationary period if not previously completed. Promotion potential to DP-4, but not guaranteed.

No. 27-013, Supervisory Electronics Technician, DP-856-3/4, Code 271 - This position is that of Head, Communications Division, Code 271. The Communications Division is primarily responsible for the life cycle management (LCM) of the Center-wide Integrated Communications System (ICS). This LCM responsibility includes the planning, analysis, definition and coordination necessary to specify, procure, design, integrate and operate communication systems and their associated voice, data and image/video networks. The Division also assists in liaison, coordination, and planning with internal and external NWC organizations in support of joint Navy Laboratory communication programs, and is responsible for the liaison, coordination, and planning with internal NWC organizations and external organizations [e.g., SPAWAR, NAVCOMTELCOM, DASN (IRM)] to support Navy communication programs. The prime function of this position will be to manage and coordinate activities to provide: network QA/CM and security; corporate network facilities; analysis, design, implementation, documentation, and maintenance of voice, video, and data networks; project planning and contracting for corporate communications equipment and services including the Center Telecommunications System and Video Teleconferencing; and administration of communication systems contracts. Travel involved. **Job relevant criteria:** Knowledge of affirmative action principles, including a willingness to implement EEO practices; knowledge of Navy acquisition/contractual policies and procedures; ability to plan, organize, coordinate, and manage multiple technical projects; knowledge of communication standards and developing standards such as SONET, ISDN, FDDI; knowledge of gateways, LANs, bridges, digital switches, and fiber optics; ability to effectively deal with contractors and vendors; ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing. The incumbent must be able to obtain and maintain a Secret clearance. Must serve one year supervisory probationary period if not previously completed. Promotion potential to DP-4, but not guaranteed.

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Professional groups meeting next week

Computer Society

James Witham, an employee in the Naval Weapons Center's Weapons Control Branch, will discuss digital signal processing (DSP) in multi-spectrum missile architecture at the next luncheon meeting of the Computer Society, China Lake Chapter. The luncheon is slated for 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 27, at the Seafarer Club.

Witham's main focus will be on one system developed at NWC that is used for integrated infrared and radio frequency tracking, using NWC developed ASICs (application-specific integrated circuit), Motorola 68020 microprocessors and Texas Instruments' block type system. He will also speak on multi-processor based systems. While hardware topics will be the main focus, software issues will also be addressed.

IEEE

Active Electronic Scanned Arrays will be the topic of the next meeting of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. West Katzenstein, head of RF Systems Branch, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department, will be the guest speaker. The meeting is set for 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 28, at the Seafarer Club.

Katzenstein will describe Active Electronic Scanned Array (AESA) basics, characteristics and advantages for tactical weapon systems, as well as AESA systems activities at the Naval Weapons Center.

STC

Award-winner newsletter editor Cal Callahan will show Ridgecrest-area members of the Society for Technical Communication how to create effective and appealing newsletters at a Sierra-Panamint Chapter STC luncheon set for Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. in the Hideaway Restaurant.

Callahan presents newsletter workshops for STC's annual conference and his San Diego STC chapter. Newsletters he has edited have captured three national STC awards for best overall newsletter.

Last supercomputer day

Tuesday, Nov. 27, will be the last presentation of the Naval Weapons Center's first Supercomputing Forum. Sponsored by the Supercomputing User Group, the forum highlighted work done by NWC scientists and engineers on the Cray Supercomputer at NWC.

In the forum's last presentation, Ron Schultz, Aerodynamics Branch, will talk about **Attack Weapons Captive Store Loads/Store Separation Prediction with Chimera Scheme** starting at 1 p.m. in Room 1000D, Michelson Laboratory. At 1:40 p.m., Frank Mansfield, also from the Aerodynamics Branch, will discuss **Investigation of Implicit Operators for the Euler Equations**.

Trung Q. Hoang, Thermal Analysis Branch, will explain **Radiation Heat Transfer** at 1:50 p.m., followed by Robert Dow's talk regarding **Computational Aerothermodynamics** at 2:20 p.m. Gene Jaeger will speak on **Correlation of Material Ablation Tests at T/Range with CFD Analysis** at 2:40 p.m. Dow and Jaeger are also employees of the Thermal Analysis Branch.

Schultz will give a Chimera demonstration at 3 p.m. in the Vis Lab, followed by a CFD demonstration by Mansfield at 3:20 p.m.

For more information about the forum or the Supercomputing User Group, call Jack Van Wieren at NWC ext. 3597.

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Radar patrols by CLPD officers continue at NWC

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. Swigum, traffic manager, CLPD Operations Branch, areas of con-

centration for radar traffic enforcement for next week are listed below.

- Monday -- Burroughs Avenue.
- Tuesday -- Inyokern Road.
- Wednesday -- Lauritsen Road.
- Thursday -- Sandquist Road.
- Friday -- Randsburg Wash Road.

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"In response to contingency threats in the Persian Gulf, AIRTEVRON FIVE conducted a time-critical defensive exploitation of the United States built Stinger and Hawk missile systems and established the MCM 3-1 as the single threat guide for the Navy and Air Force," read the citation letter signed by the Secretary of the Navy. The squadron was also cited for its remarkable safety record of over 34,000 flight hours class "A" mishap free hours sustained for over six years while maintaining and operating an average of 24 tactical aircraft consisting of 8 different types and 12 individual models.

In COMOPTEVFOR's endorsement letter of the award the admiral wrote "As Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five's operational commander, COMOPTEVFOR has been in an unequalled position to observe the accomplishments of this squadron for over the past 24 months. . . AIRTEVRON FIVE has demonstrated sustained superior performance in operational test, evaluation and tactics development. The significant professional accomplishments of this squadron have made important contributions to the current and future defense preparedness of the United States."

Likewise COMLATWINGPAC strongly supported the nomination of VX-5 for this unit award. "As AIRTEVRON FIVE's administrative commander and a heavy user of its output, I find its expertise and professionalism in operationally testing multiple new and upgraded weapon systems for the Strike Aviation community unsurpassed."

A strong supporter for the community, VX-5's impressive involvement with training of 38 Indian Wells Valley Navy League Sea Cadets; sponsorship of Boy Scout Troop 41; adoption of Mesquite High School, and squadron tours provided to community grade schools, played a role in the commands selection for this distinguished honor.

The award was presented to the 75 officers, 450 enlisted and 12 civilian personnel attached to the command. Gathering for what they thought was a routine inspection, Vampires were surprised when VAdm. Webster presented the Meritorious Unit Commendation/Pennant to Capt. Kellett remarking, "The professionalism and dedication of the personnel assigned during this period of recognition were and are still unquestionably 'above and beyond' in every respect. Your contributions not only demonstrate the vast technical knowledge and expertise you possess, but also directly impact the combat readiness and war-fighting capabilities of the Naval and Marine forces around the globe. It is with utmost pleasure and a deep sense of pride that I present AIRTEVRON FIVE the Meritorious Unit Commendation."

The squadron's commanding officer then proudly presented the pennant to the squadron. "VX-5, your efforts today are putting weapons that will work into the hands of our deployed forces that will win in combat tomorrow. We are the final checkers, and we make sure our fellow aircrew and pilots in the fleet are getting a workable, safe system," remarked Capt. Kellett, "I take pride in saying, you should feel good about what you do and the way you do it. The work is demanding and we have worked through some tough times together. . . I appreciate all the hard work that has contributed in our receipt of the Meritorious Unit Commendation. BRAVO ZULU!"



SQUADRON FLAG ADORNED WITH HONORS -- VX-5 Commanding Officer, Capt Raymond A. Kellett (center), presented the Meritorious Unit Commendation Pennant to the squadron at a recent ceremony. AN Williams (left) dips the squadron flag while AN Friedman places the pennant on its staff. Looking on is VAdm. H.L. Webster, COMOPTEVFOR. Photo by PH3 Rob Foster

Surplus goods up for grabs

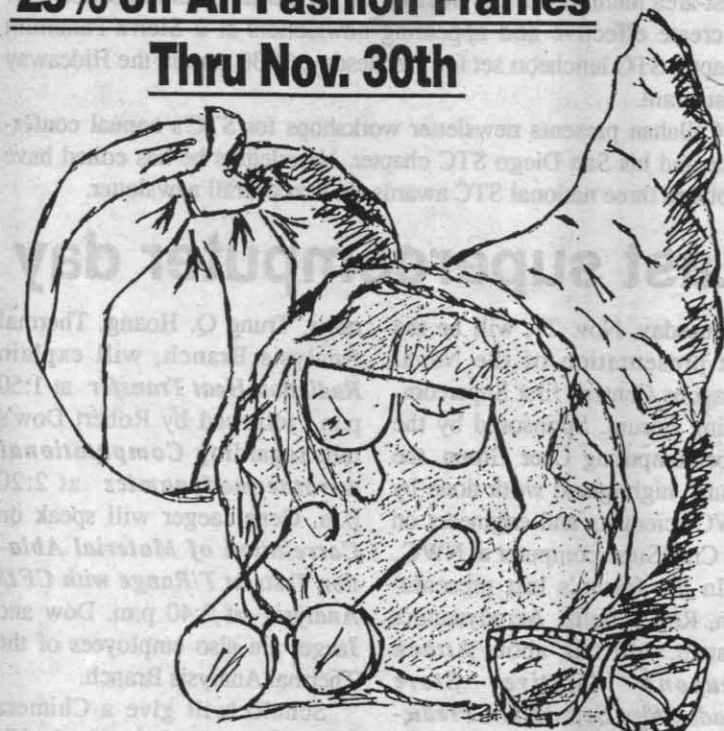
Local Auction 41-1113 of surplus government property will be held by the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office at China Lake on Wednesday, Dec. 12. The auction begins at 9 a.m. in Building 1073, Warehouse 41, the public is encourage to bid.

Among the 266 items to be offered will be generator sets, Graflex cameras, lens and shutters, electrical and electronic equipment, Ford tractor, PCs and accessories, printers and more.

Items will be on display for inspection from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. daily, except weekends, beginning Dec. 7. A full list, terms and conditions, can be seen at Building 1073, Warehouse 41.

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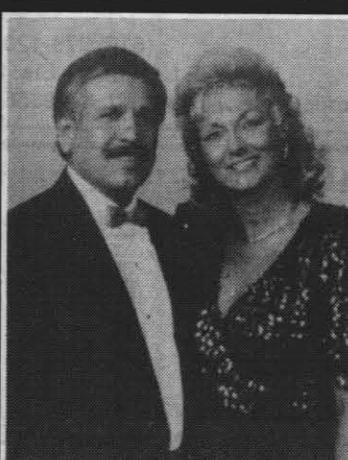
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Fall soccer season over for NWC Youth League

Players in the Naval Weapons Center Youth Soccer League ended their season last weekend with additional knowledge of the game, better skills and new friends.

Myriam Wright, youth sports director, thanks all of the managers, coaches and volunteers who gave their time and energy helping the players learn more about soccer and good sportsmanship.

Cobras 3, Aztecs 0

Goals by Christopher Taylor, Christopher Marshall and Nolan Tofner, along with excellent plays by Joseph Shermer, Ryan Miller and Ashley Stephens shot the Cobras to victory. The Aztecs did not turn in a score sheet.

Coyotes 1, Express 0

Outstanding defensive efforts by Tryn and Tiffany Guglielmo and Megan Harden kept the Coyotes to only one goal. However, offensive efforts by Wellington Gorham, Steven Hudson and James Krise weren't enough to get past the Coyotes' defense to score. The Coyotes did not turn in a score sheet.

Whitecaps 4, Earthquakes 1

Two goals by Ben Schneider and one each by Karli White and Kyle Owens, and aggressive play by Travis McGill and Sarah Kirkendall, gave the Whitecaps the win. The Earthquakes had superb

play by Dawn Mitchell, Danny Anders and Collin Nickle. Jerrod Elligson had the goal.

Wolves 3, Diplomats 2

The Wolves ended their season undefeated thanks to goals by Robert Charlton and Jonathan Brown and plays by Scott Saxton, Tarek Giraldo and Michael Godfrey. Efforts by Kevin Collins, Matthew Chambers and Sixto Malong, and two goals by John Little, proved the Diplomats were a hard team to beat.

Roughnecks 3, Rockets 0

Defensive moves by Ryan Tullio and Joey French kept the Rockets scoreless. Andy Smith kicked in two goals and Erik Johnson knocked in one in the final quarter of play.

Sounders 3, Hurricanes 2

Two successful shots at goal by David Rollingson and one by Rory L'Hommedieu gave the Sounders a slight edge. Defensive moves by Matt Labarre kept the Hurricanes from victory. A penalty kick by Mark Ogren and a good kick by John Scheiderer, made the Hurricanes a tough competitor. The Hurricanes had good support from David Turner, Dennis Tankersley and Feras Abu-Issa.

Eagles 6, Stallions 1

Best team playing and goals by Robbie Hoffman, Barrett

Edwards (2), Jamie Critchfield (2) and Ben Labee soared the Eagles to victory. The Stallions did not turn in a score sheet.

Apollos 4, Cougars 1

Plays by Don Little, Tony DeCarlo and Erin O'Neil, along with two goals by Darren Hodge and one each by Robbie Mitchell and Mark Schramm declawed the Cougars. Jason Hiett was credited

with an assist in the win. No score sheet from the Cougars.

Jets 5, Strikers 1

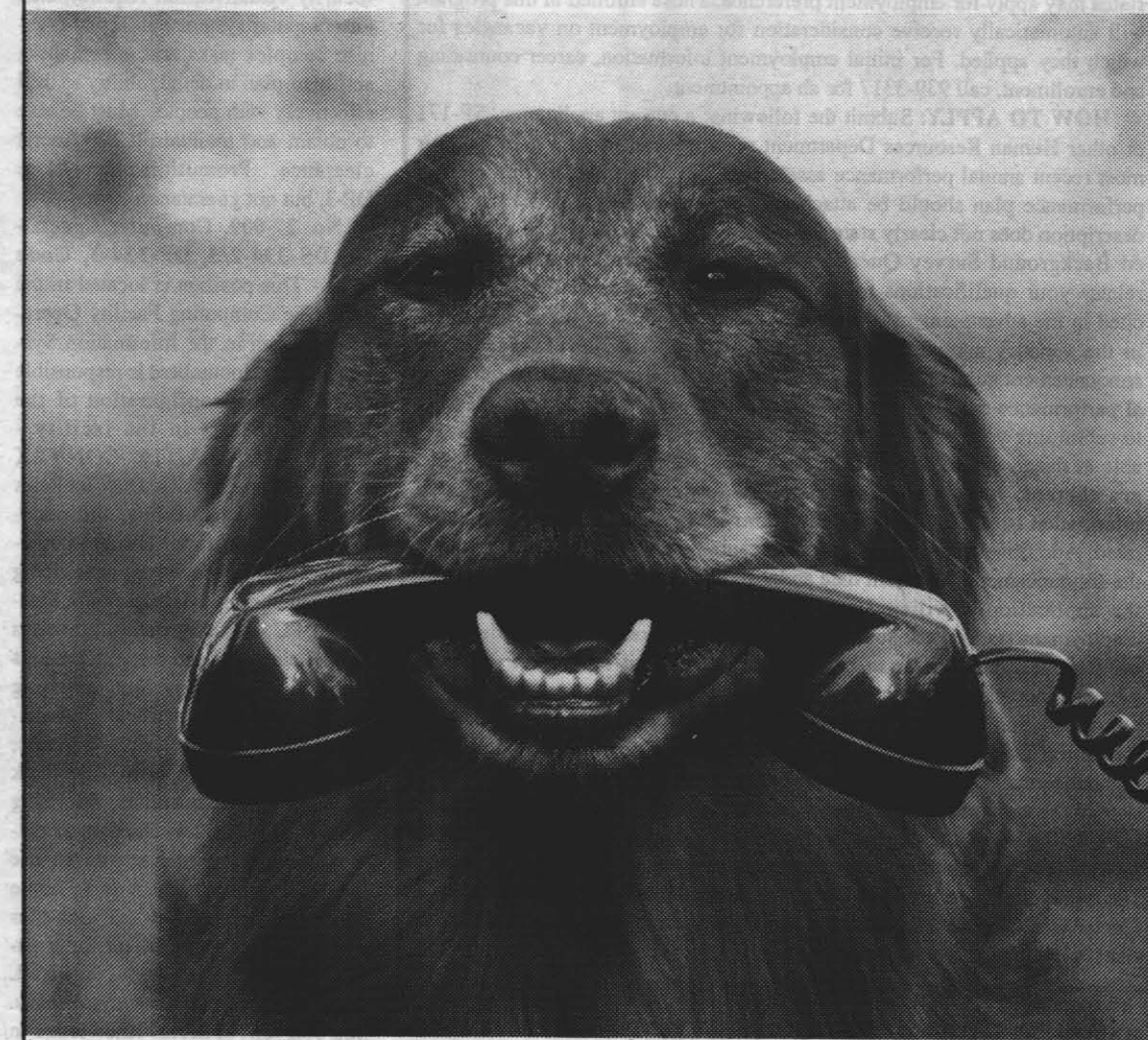
Strong goalie performance by Andrew Huston kept the Strikers from scoring more than one, while three goals by Aaron Schwartz and two by Danny Hartley boosted the Jets to the winner's circle. Kevin Nowicki was credited with an assist in the

win. In spite of strong plays by Eric Sievert and a goal by Thai Gutierrez, the Strikers bowed.

Jets 4, Goalbusters 0

Team effort and good shots by Chris Maki, Kevin Nowicki and Dan Hartley gave the Jets another victory. Lisa O'Neil, Nick Charlton, Neil Shaffer and Will Squire led the win. The Goalbusters didn't turn in a score sheet.

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Desert Shield battles environment too

Washington (NES) . . . The coalition of American, Western and Islamic forces continues its buildup in the Saudi Arabian desert as Iraqi troops continue the occupation of neighboring Kuwait.

In a situation fraught with danger, complexity and uncertainty, the only absolute is that the sun will rise the next morning and with it, the terrible, debilitating heat that makes the desert the most inhospitable stretch of land on earth. The Mojave Desert around the Naval Weapons Center is very hospitable in comparison to the Saudi environment according to people who have served in the area. It may be moving toward winter at China Lake, but weather and desert continue to be harsh

foes for our people in the Gulf and on the ground in Saudi Arabia.

Medical teams head by Navy physicians are constantly monitoring the Navy and Marine Corps troops who are exposed to daytime temperatures ranging up to 130 degrees. The human body functions properly in a narrow range of temperatures, with the high end being 107 degrees.

In order to avoid dehydration, everyone involved with *Operation Desert Shield* is required to drink prodigious amounts of fresh water -- up to six gallons a day. Under the merciless sun, Allied troops lose as much as 12 liters of water daily through perspiration alone.

Since water composes more than two-

thirds of the body, even a small amount of dehydration can have serious side effects, including nausea, impatience and sleepiness. With less than a 10 % loss of water, a soldier in the sun will be unable to walk.

The real danger lies in not recognizing the early signs of dehydration. Everyone in the desert is partially dehydrated anywhere from 3 to 5 percent. Although there may be no sensation of thirst, water must be constantly consumed to remain healthy.

"We push that to the ultimate," said VAdm. James A. Zimble, the Navy's surgeon general. "We are maintaining a strong water doctrine, and we instruct units and work closely with the commanders of those units in ensuring a high degree of discipline."

Although daytime temperatures in the Saudi desert are consistently above 100 degrees, the sand itself is 30 to 40 degrees higher than air temperature and it doesn't deter the proliferation of mosquitos near the coast. "The mosquito is far worse than the mortar round," Zimble continued. "We're well aware of that and we have well-trained preventive medicine teams in the theater working to minimize the effects of the local flora and fauna."

Navy medicine is already in the highest alert status in the Saudi Arabian desert and along the coast. Through education, discipline and constant attention, American troops are faring well against the threat the desert presents to their health.

Used cars go on display

Looking for a new set of wheels? Make sure you check out the **Lemon Lot** for something in your price range. If you've never been by the Lemon Lot, just look in front of the NWC Auto Hobby Shop off Inyokern Road near the NWC Training Center. Right now you will find the following automobiles on the lot:

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Blood bank expands area hours

In an effort to better serve the Indian Wells Valley and China Lake community, the Houchin Blood Bank will be in Ridgecrest once a month, said Pat Nelson, director of community relations. People wanting to donate blood can stop by the Elks Lodge in Ridgecrest the second Tuesday of each month starting in March from 1 to 6 p.m.

With the increase in availability, Nelson noted volunteers are going to be needed to help with paperwork, act as receptionists and monitor the comings and goings of donors. LVNs, nurses and student nurses are needed to assist in taking blood pressures, temperatures and pulses.

People willing to donate a few hours each month to help this worthy cause can call Nelson at (805) 323-4222 or stop by and visit her when the Houchin Blood Bank is in Ridgecrest in December. Medical personnel willing to volunteer should call JoAnn Donahue at 446-2873.



TURKEY DINNER--Sailors and other people assigned to Code 61 were treated to a pre-Thanksgiving turkey dinner on Monday. Secretaries in the Aircraft Department led the effort and cooked the food. Department managers did the serving and everyone took care of eating the food. The efforts of the secretaries and managers was very much appreciated by those attending the annual event. Photo by PH3 Cary Brady

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Twenty-two honored for Model Installation ideas

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No. 745 - The NWC code directory has been issued as a large single sheet for many years, Carol Baker, Code 24C, noted many offices cut the sheet into strips so a booklet could be made. She suggested the directory be printed on strips instead of the single sheet. TID has implemented the idea.

No. 762 - Carol Garrison's MIPI proposed the use of paper shredders approved for destroying secret documents instead of transporting all these documents to the document destruct build-

ing. Code 24 is in the process of establishing procedures for their use. Garrison is in Code 39C.

No. 733 - Diane Foster and Tiana Gough, both from Code 2703, got together and proposed a centralized purchasing/receiving point for computer software. This would facilitate registration, upgrading and maintenance of microcomputer software. Code 274 is establishing a centralized point for software ordering, receiving and registration. Other aspects are being adopted through the SPEDI project.

No. 777 - Marti Smith, Code

2853, suggested adding the timekeeper's phone extensions to the timecards, saving time for the payroll clerks in not having to stop and look up a phone number when there are questions on a timecard.

No. 784 - Completed facilities were not receiving a quality/warranty inspection, often leading to problems being found after the warranty had expired. Neil Higgins, Code 2637, suggested that such an inspection be added to the normal routine. Code 265 has added this inspection to their processes.

No. 789 - Authority for department heads to delegate the signing of "no cost" permissive travel orders to subordinate levels has been extended thanks to Leon Biesiadecki, Code 6235. This streamlines the process for short notice travel during the normal working hours.

No. 794 - Center instruction required a memo be forwarded to payroll for timecard corrections and changes. This led to a paper intensive process and large storage problem for these memos. Denise Gransbery, Code 2853, suggested the memo requirement

be dropped and a corrected timecard be used instead. Code 28 has already changed the process and the Center's instruction.

No. 833 - A MIPI by Alfredo Rodriguez, Code 35A3, proposed an instruction controlling access to the Intelligence Library be promulgated to indicate which personnel can have access to the library. Although the idea was not implemented as written, Code 301 is looking into the feasibility of making the library a restricted access area with letter designation on badges.

DFWP's goal remains one of helping, not catching

The focus on testing for illegal drugs makes it appear the the Drug Free Workplace Program (DFWP) has as its goal "catching" drug users and firing them. This is not so. While the DFWP has penalties that can be used to an employee's detriment, the program is really a help program. When an employee's urine is tested and found to be positive for use of illegal drugs a sequence of events is set into motion. These events can lead to removal or not depending largely upon the employee and his or her effort to correct the drug problem.

Under DFWP it is required an employee's supervisor take action when an employee is tested as having used illegal drugs.

The supervisor is required to

temporarily remove the employee from sensitive duties upon a finding of illegal drug use. If the employee is in a Testing Designated Position, the duties assigned to the employee which made them a TDP must temporarily be taken away while the employee is getting assistance for the drug problem. Supervisors who have employees with access to sensitive security information must notify security the employee has used illegal drugs. This is done to protect safety of others and to protect national security.

The supervisor is also required to refer the employee to the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) where the employee will receive counselling and help in getting free from the use of the

illegal drug. Normally the EAP referral will result in the employee attending some sort of rehabilitation facility where medical and psychological assistance is available while the employee is recovering. If access to sensitive information has been removed it would normally be restored upon successful completion of this rehabilitation program based upon the rehabilitation and input from the supervisor.

While the employee is receiving rehabilitation the supervisor will be deciding what disciplinary action is appropriate. Under the DFWP it is required some disciplinary action be taken. The

range of penalties open to the supervisor are from a letter of reprimand up to, and including, removal. The supervisor will reach his or her decision on the level of discipline after considering the total conduct and employment record. Previous disciplinary actions as will undoubtedly influence the supervisor's decision as will the information the employee releases to the the supervisor from the EAP process.

DFWP includes the requirement for disciplinary action largely because of the nature of substance abuse. Experience in treating substance abuse problems makes it clear that the abus-

er is focused upon the substance of abuse above and beyond most other life activities. Abusers often accept offers of help, love, and support only as a means of remaining on their substance of abuse. It is often only after an abuser sees a major life function is threaten that he or she will be forced to come to grips with the debilitating nature of their abusive behavior. DFWP requires that the supervisor propose the employee's removal from the federal service if the employee is found to be positive for use of illegal drugs a second time.

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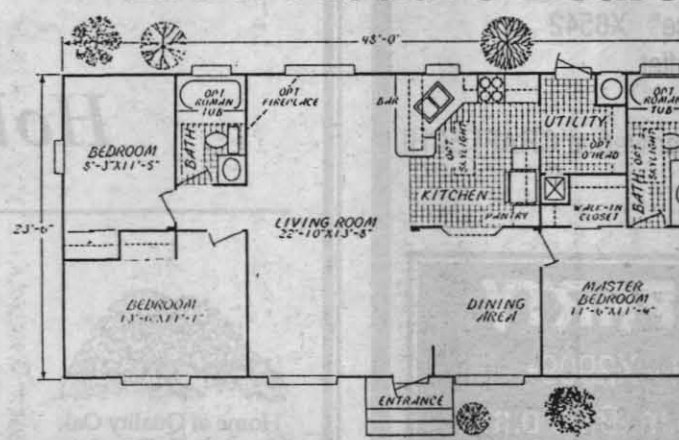
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Rocketeer publishes on Thursdays

Starting the week of December 3, the *NWC Rocketeer* will shift to a Thursday publication date. This means the newspaper will be delivered to offices and mailrooms on board the Naval Weapons Center on Thursdays not Fridays.

The change in publication date is an effort to provide better service and be responsive to the needs of our customers, the readers of the *Rocketeer*. In making the change, we considered com-

ments from the readership survey conducted last spring indicating there were a large number of employees not at work on Fridays meaning they did not get timely delivery of the paper. This change should help those on flex or first-forty schedules get their papers before the weekend.

With the change in publication day, comes the need to adjust deadlines. Starting with the issue of December 6, the *Rocketeer* deadline for submission of arti-

cles, photos and information will be close of business on the Friday preceding publication. Thus the deadline for the December 6 issue is Friday, Nov. 30.

The *Rocketeer* staff and the Public Affairs Office hope this new schedule will improve distribution and make it easier for all China Lakers to get their copy of the paper and be aware of what's happening in the area.

Steve Boster, Editor

MWR offers special Christmas season breakfast buffet with Santa Claus on Saturday, December 8

With Thanksgiving out of the way, it's the time people start getting really serious about Christmas and time kids start asking about Santa. At the Naval Weapons Center, the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Division has set up a special breakfast buffet with Santa for Saturday, Dec. 8 in the Seafarer Club.

This buffet features Belgian waffles and an assortment of other food, all prepared just for the occasion. In addition, youngsters can have their picture taken with Santa for just \$1.25.

Tickets are now on sale at the Youth and Children's centers and the Seafarer Club. The advance sale price this year is \$4.75 for adults and \$3 for children between two and 12 years of age. Kids under two are free. At the door tickets will be \$6 and \$4.

Vis Lab opens doors Dec. 10

Code 2721, the Scientific Application Branch in the Information Systems Group, invites all China Lakers to an open house of the Visualization Laboratory on Monday, Dec. 10, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The lab is located in the Computer Wing of

Michelson Lab, Room C-208A.

The Vis Lab provides NWC with state-of-the-art software for system design and R&D simulation testing at low cost in terms of time and money. In addition, the lab provides an environment for the integration of worksta-

tions from various vendors to test existing and emerging standards.

This open house provides a special opportunity for Naval Weapons Center personnel to meet the players and see what hardware and software the Visualization Lab offers.

'Just for Kids' holiday party at NWC Youth Center

Youngsters at the Naval Weapons Center have a special Christmas party this year, it's a "Just for Kids" party on Saturday, Dec. 1 at the NWC Youth Center. The action is set from 5 to 6:30 p.m. for kids five years of age

and younger and from 6:30 to 9 p.m. for the "older" generation.

This once-a-year event will include various activities for the kids, ranging from caroling to cookie decorating and from Christmas cookies to a chance to

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- Catch of the Day-Fish, Seafarer Lunch Special

Saturday, November 24th

- King & Queen Bowling Tourn. • 1:00 p.m. • Hall Lanes
- Matinee, NWC Theater, 2 p.m., Mary Poppins
- Open Roller Skating, Youth Center, 1-4 p.m.

Monday, November 26th

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Thursday, November 29th

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