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Welcome Aboard



LT. WILLIAM J. MULLI-GAN, JR., has reported to VX-5 recently from VF - 102 out of NAS Oceana, Va., deployed aboard the attack carrier USS America. At VX-5 he is Legal Officer and As-sistant Administrative Officer. The Brooklyn native received his B.S. degree in chemistry from St. Peter's College in Jersey City in 1963 and entered Navy service in July of that year. He brings his wife Regina to their new home at 40-B Sykes Circle.

'Closeup of Mars' **To Be Presented To China Lakers**

"Closeup of Mars," a 30 minute color film, will be presented by the China Lake Astronomical Society on Monday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m., 401 Mc-Intire, China Lake.

The film focuses on a team effort of scientists at the California Institute of Technology and engineers of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory at Pasadena, California.

It also examines the mysteries of Mars and the planning of the television camera system for Mariner IV that helped solve some of them. The general public is invited to at-

Desert Community Orchestra Ready For 1968 Concert

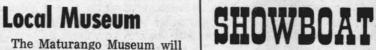
Bill Ward, president of the Desert Community Orchestra Association announced early this week that the 40-piece orchestra, directed by Robert Cole, will make its first appearance for 1968 in the Center Theater, Sunday, March 10, at

Admission for the more than 90 minutes of concert music is \$2; for students, \$1, and no charge for memberships.



NWC CORONA LABS RATED 'EXCEL-LENT' - An overall rating of "excellent" was given NWC Corona Laboratories following a two - day inspection recently by Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander and his inspecting team. Part of the inspecting team (photo) at the closing conference held at Corona are (I-r) Dr. F. A. Atchison, Laboratory Director, Corona; Captain Etheridge, Chief Inspector; Capt. R. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer; and Dr. Thomas S. Amlie, NWC Technical Director (Acting), who

served as assistant chief inspector for technical matters. Also, D. J. Morrison, Head, Central Staff, Corona; K. H. Robinson, Head, NWC Technical Information Department; Cdr. R. E. Forbis, Executive Officer, Corona; R. E. Droudt, Head, Public Works, Corona; Lt. I. R. Moore, NWC Communications, and Capt. C. R. Lee, NWC Supply Officer. Local areas of Corona Labs were inspected by counterpart functions from NWC. The technical program and all areas of support were included in the complete look at Corona.



"THE LAST SAFARI" (109 Min.) Stewart Granger, Kaz Garas 7:00 P.M.

e) White hunter tires of playing nursemaid to trigger-happy millionaires and sets out to kill a giant elephant that has plagued him for many years. A rich play boy follows him and the two find thrill and excitement. (Adult, Youth.) Short: "Merlin, Magic Mouse" (7 Min.)

SATURDAY MARCH :

-MATINEE---"OUTLAWS IS COMING" (89 Min.) Three Stooges 1:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Tale of a Wolf" (7 Min.) Manhunt of Mystery Island" (25 Min.) (No. 1 of 15)

---EVENING---"KHARTOUM" (134 Min.) Charlton Heston, Laurence Olivier

7:30 P.M. ture) Spectacular action fills the screen as a fierce Sudan chieftan lays slege to fabled Khartoum where General Heston tries to defend it despite being sold out by his superiors. Historical epic with a cast of thousands. (Adult, Youth, Mature Children.)

SUNDAY-MONDAY MARCH 3-"FITZWILLY" (102 Min.) Dick Van Dyke, Barbara Feldon 7:30 P.M.

(Comedy) Faithful butler turns super-crool to support his once-wealthy employer, but a new, very pretty, secretary almost upsets the plan. You'll howl as Dick robs Gim-bel's at the height of the Christmas rush!! A modern Robin Hood. (Adult, Youth, Mature Children.) Shorts: "Shocking Pink" (7 Min.)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY MARCH 5-6 "WATERHOLE NO. 3" (95 Min.) James Coburn, Carroll O'Connor 7:30 P.M.

(Western/Comedy) Give a dashing, care free gambler a treasure map and add a partner who is a crooked sheriff with a exational daughter, then tell a gang of thieves who has the map and you've got the plot of this wild, wacky and very spicy tale of the West. Slapstick and sex for

Short: "AFMR No. 660" (Armed Force 16 Min.) THURSDAY-FRIDAY MARCH 7-8

("ROSIE" (98 Min.) Rosalind Russell, Sandra Dee, Brian Aherne 7:30 P.M. No synopsis available. Short: "On the Tee" (9 Min.)

Navy Relief Society Training Course Will Start at Center Mar. 6

The Navy Relief Society training course will be given on Wednesday, March 6 through Tuesday, March 19 at the Naval Weapons Center. Course instructor will be Mrs. Borsic from the Navy Relief Society Headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Baby sitting services will be provided. For further information call Mrs. J. H. Robcke at Ext. 723763 or Mrs. R. F. Schall at Ext. 723632.

Center Receives 200 Certificates For FHA Housing

The February 9 issue of the Rocketeer made the initial announcement for interested persons to place their names on the 809 list by calling Ext. 72222 or 72282. It is again requested that interested persons call this number for placement on the list or for information.

The next step prior to issuance of a Certificate is for the employee to present a deposit receipt or letter of agreement indicating your commitment to buy or build to the Housing Office. When this is received, the Certificate will be issued.

North Knox Road **Widening Project Began This Week**

While cutting back existing traffic islands and realigning and resurfacing parts of North Knox and Halsey are under way only a single lane will be open to traffic. The inconvenience will be temporary to accomplish an improvement that will speed up traffic flow at peak hours.

Members Lauded, **Get PTA Honorary Life Memberships**

The annual Founder's Day Meeting of the China Lake Elementary Parent Teachers' Association was held this year on February 22, 1968.

Two Life Honorary Memberships were awarded to a teacher and a layman for outstanding work with the youth of the community. Honored this year were Mrs. Lenora Palmer and Mrs. Ellen Werbach.

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SEEING IS BELIEVING - Foreign Exchange students enjoyed a day early last month touring the Naval Weapons Center facilities and visiting the Maturango Museum. Representing four foreign countries and Bakersfield, California, the students, sponsor and hostess are: (front row, left) Clifford Mark, Bakersfield, Calif.; Mrs. John R. King, American Field Services Board Member, and Mrs. Alice Dubin, Museum Curator. (Center row, left) Oloug Veduik, Norway; Kasper H. Jaggi, Switzerland, and Jim Foxe, candidate for Americans Abroad. (Back row, left) Alicia Ricke, Chile; Nancy Coleman and Marlene King, both from Bakersfield, Calif. Mrs. Dubin mentioned that the tour was part of the foreign student,s educational program while visiting the United States and that "the students were quite interested about the Center and the Museum and were completely delighted with the re-ception they received during their one-day stay here."

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To Honor Friends Of Local Museum

A recruitment tea, honoring "Friends of the Museum," and welcoming prospective "Friends," will be given by Mrs. M. R. Etheridge in her home at 1 Enterprise on the Center from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 8.

As social chairman on the board of trustees of the Maturango Museum, Mrs. Etheridge is liaison officer between the administrative group and the Friends.

She and Mrs. Charles Van Hagan, president of the Friends, plan to enlist volunteer women for the WACOM sponsored Flower Show scheduled for May 4 and 5 in the Community Center. The show will run from 2 to 5 p.m., Saturday, and 10 to 5 p.m., Sunday, featuring desert wildflowers, paintings and other work

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have its own section selling books about flowers found in the surrounding areas; publications of the Maturango Press; booklets and souvenir items found stocked in the Visitor's Center. Museum memberships also will be available.

The Green Grass Grows All Around

It's green - up time in the desert, but it certainly looked like Public Works was overdoing it this week spraying Naval Weapons Center lawns an emerald color. A curious snooper found out they are not really painting the lawns but applying a weed-control.

If you thought the grass was greener on one side of the street, you were probably right.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

The Department of Defense approval for 200 Certificates under Section 809 of the National Housing Act has been received. These Certificates are available through the Center's Housing Office for Civil Serv- Vol. XXII, No. 9 ice Employees and Contractors whose primary revenue in this chase housing under FHA requirements and may be used on old or new homes that qualify for FHA.

Flow of traffic for outbound drivers will be greatly improved at Sweitzer Circle by the end of April says Public Works Department. Work is slated to commence this week to widen North Knox Road to two lanes from Blandy to the circle. Halsey will also be widened to improve entrance from that side.

Workmen of Asphalt Construction Company of Lancaster will be on the job this week to complete a \$3300 contract awarded by Captain K. C. Abplanalp, NWC Officer in Charge of Construction. Completion date for the contract, awarded on a competitive bid basis, is April 29.

Public Works Department suggest NWC motorists may find it convenient to use alterduring rush hours.



whose primary revenue in this area is from the Center. The 809 Certificates make it possi-ble for these employees to pur-**Gets Tough Check at VX-5**

Team Evaluates All Systems, Combatability

Fri., March 1, 1968

While the Navy's new "workhorse" light attack bomber, the A-7A Corsair II, proves itself in combat over Viet Nam, Capt. W. B. Muncie's Air Development Squadron Five are flying five A-7As at China Lake to further test and improve the new craft. Every kind of flying procedure and combat maneuver is used with a wide variety of weapons in an evaluation program planned to continue through approximately another year.

"We are looking at every-thing in this aircraft," says Cdr. J. S. Clauzel, VX-5 Projects Director. "We're running the 'gamut of operational equipment and situatons with the A-7A including all available weapons and nuclear configurations, and all maneuver tactics. We're looking at everything in the plane from its automatic carrier landing system to the CP7-41 automatic bomb ing system."

Team Scrutinizes Aircraft

Under LCdr. L. B. "Lee' Keely, the A-7A project manager, the team of project officers at VX-5 evaluating the Corsair II include Major J. J. O'Brien, conventional weapons Major A. R. Hickle, nuclear weapons; LCdr. C. J. Ward, electronic countermeasures; Major D. D. Lundberg, air-toair weapons; Lt. W. B. Clark, enroute tactics, and Lt. E. D. Gilbertson, automatic carrier landing.

"This is the first aircraft we've scrutinized and evaluated so completely, under one project plan" says LCdr. Keereports that the plane's avionics systems and flight range are significant improvements over the A-4 Skyhawk, which the A-7A is to replace in the Fleet.

"We've found that the A-7A will carry roughly twice the ordnance of the A-4, and that its bomb and weapons systems are more advanced. It's a bigger plane by about 8,000 pounds, and has more hard points under the wings for weapons racks.

"Our ground crews appreciate the fact that the A-7A is very good for routine maintenance and parts replacement especially avionics parts," he adde

LCdr. Keely mentions that the aircraft requires more thrust from its engine - perhaps coming up in future development.

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COMPLETE CHECKOUT - LCdr. L. B. "Lee" Keely, A-7A evaluation project manager, completes pre-flight checkout procedure with his plane captain, AN Daniel W. Barrett. Weapon system to be tested with

the new aircraft hangs from wing (r), the Mk 4 gun pod. Avionics systems and tactical maneuvers are also tested with the Corsair II, the A-4's successor. Commander Keely is project manager for the A-7A.

Doctors Need Aid Giving Physicals To Area Students

All students in the China Lake area are reminded by nel at the Drum mond Medical Group in Ridgecrest, to get their annual school physical examinations during nate routes off the Center the month of their birth date.

> This action by the students will greatly prevent delay and overcrowding of the physicians office during the last weeks prior to the beginning of the new school year.

The physical exams, given by agreement of the local school officials, are good for one year including the required certification from parents that their child or children have not been seriously ill since the last examination.

The cooperation of parents and students is earnestly requested by local doctors so that they, in turn, will be able to efficiently perform this important service to the community.



DAY'S WORK BEGINS - LCdr. Keely checks out A-7A aircraft on "yellow sheet" with AMCS Coy D. Hulin. Perhaps another year of evaluation flying remains on the Corsair II, during which time VX-5 will replace its A-4's with the new light attack bomber.

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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

LIVE AND HELP LIVE

BY STUDENT RABBI A. M. CORWIN Hebrew Congregation, NWC

"I'd like to go away alone Where there are other, nicer people, Somewhere into the far unknown, There, where no one kills another.

> "Maybe more of us, A Thousand strong, Will reach this goal Before too long."

These words were written by a teenage girl, Alena Synkova, in the Terezin Concentration Camp during the Second World War.

Contemporary theologians are haunted by the implications of the experience she shared with so many millions. How could the God of Scriptures exist and yet have permitted such horror? It has not been given to us to understand why the All-Powerful God, the God of justice and mercy, the God common to the traditions of Jews, Christians, and Moslems, allowed this to happen.

Alena lived in a concentration camp where killing was common. Today much of the world is a concentration camp where killing is common. We must not become insensitive to what is going on around us. We must accept responsibility, each one of us for each other, if we are to escape the consequences of the crime of genocide, our own destruction.

The Sixth Commandment, as translated from the Hebrew. reads "Thou shalt not murder." This commandment is understood to include the doing of anything by which the health and well-being of a fellow-man is undermined, and the omission of any act by which a fellow-man could be saved in peril, distress, or despair. The Commandment is not understood as simply "Thou shalt not kill."

PRESERVING SANCTITY OF LIFE

The highest law is the law of the sanctity of life. Therefore, the Sixth Commandment did not forbid the slaving of animals for food or killing in war for the defense of national and human rights.

We may agree or disagree about which killings are murder and which are not. When we no longer care, when the distinction becomes meaningless for us, we will have become the inmates of a concentration camp we have created for ourselves, and we will have nowhere else to go.

If we are to find God, we must first understand and do his commandments. As it is written (Deuteronomy 30:19): "I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that I have set before thee life and death, the blessing and the curse; therefore choose life, that thou mayest live, thou and thy seed.'

Local Car Club's Road Rally Opens

All automobile drivers who events includes short duration really enjoy driving are invit- rallies and other sports cared to help launch the 1968 rally season, this weekend, of the local chapter of the Four Cyl- sters. inder Club of America.

The season's first rally will be held this Sunday, March 3. It's a two-hour run in the local area, starting at the Center Main Gate at 9 a.m. Entry fee for the event is \$1.00 per car, and awards and refreshments will be waiting at the finish line.

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The season's program of served.

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type events - not, however, limited to little foreign road-

Those who are interested, but who don't know all about rallies, are invited to attend a short talk, with movies, at 8 p.m. this evening in the Panamint Room of the Community

The short briefing session is to explain the simple layout of these motor sports events. Coffee and doughnuts will be



Morning Worship-8:15 and 11 a.m. Sunday School-9:30 a.m., Chapel An nexes 1, 2, 3, 4 (Dorms 5, 6, 7, 8) lo-cated opposite Center Restaurant.

Roman Catholic (All Faith Chapel)-Holy Mass-7, 9:30 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.

Daily Mass—11:30 a.m. in Blessed Sacra-ment Chapel. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Confessions-7 to 8:00 p.m. Saturday.

NWC Jewish Services (East Wing All Faith Chapel)—8 p.m. every first and third Friday

Sabbath School—10 a.m. to noon, even first and third Saturday

Unitarian Fellowship - (Chapel Annex, 95 King Ave.)-Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

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PROMOTIONAL **OPPORTUNITIES**

Present Center employees are en-couraged to apply for the positions listed below. Applications should be accompanied by an up-to-date Form 58. The fact that positions are advertised here does not preclude the use of other means to fill these vacancies.

Electronic Engineer (Instrumentation), GS-855-13, PD No. 735011, Code 3542-Sub-Assembly Development Branch, Develop ment Division IV, Aviation Ordnance De partment. Designs, develops, and test elec-tronic circuits, sub-assemblies, and systems for operational weapons systems. The in-cumbent should have initiative and ability to conceive, design develop and direct fabrication of components in advance of the present state-of-the-art. Must meet CSC qualrequirements outlined in hand book X118.

File application for above with Mary Mor-rison, Bldg. 34, Rm. 32, Phone 72032. Clerk-Typist, GS-322-4, PD No. 755021, Code 5555 - Incumbent is Clerk-Typist to the Head, In-Service Support Documentation Branch, Engineering Department. In-cumbent receives and reads all incoming correspondence; reviews all outgoing corre-spondence; receives requests for statistical or informative material concerning supervisor's program; maintains office files; makes travel arrangements; and receives and screens telephone and business callers. Clerk-Typist, G5-322-3, PD No. 555058, Code 5540 — The incumbent of this posi-tion is a clerk-typist in the Production Scheduling Section, Production Control Branch, Mechanical Division of the Enginering Department. The major duties include examining and processing time charges; processing of completed shop production orders; processing of time cards; operating reproduction machines; and general clerical duties and typing.

File application for above with Loretta Estep, Bldg. 34, Rm. 34, Phone 71514. Secretary (Typing), GS-4 or 5, Code 4030 - This position is located in the Air-To-Surface Weapons Division, Weapons Development Department. Incumbent is secretary to the Division Head. Duties include typing ical notes and reports, correspondence and inter-office memoranda. Receives tele-phone and office callers; receives and distributes in-coming mail; arranges for travel and other secretarial duties.

Clerk-Typist, GS-3 or 4, Code 4031 - Performs clerical typist duties for Head of the Tacticl Air Weapons Branch, and for oth-er employees in the Branch. Includes typing technical notes and reports, correspon-dence, forms, statistical tables and inter-office memoranda. Receives telephone and of-fice callers, in-coming mail, arranges for travel and maintains branch files.

Clerk-DMT, GS-3 or 4, Code 4071 cumbent will perform secretarial duties for the Branch. Duties will include transcribing and typing correspondence and memorando travel orders, clearance requests, etc., screening telephone and office callers; re ceiving and distributing incoming mail and naintaining Branch files.

File applications for above with June Chipp, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, Phone 72676.

CENTER LIBRARY LISTS NEW BOOKS

A complete list of new books

is available in the library.

Fiction Chaber-A Man in the Middle. Davies-Psychogeist. Laumer-Earthblood. MacLeod-Iron Sanctuary

Robertson-Paradise Falls. Spillane-The Delta Factor. Walker-Cab-intersec.

Non-Fiction

Bierce-The Enlarged Devil's Dictionary. Breslin-The World of Jimmy

Breslin. Chichester-Gipsy Moth Cir-

cles the World. Ellis-How to Prevent Your Child from Becoming a

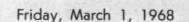
Neurotic Child.

Lasser-Your Income Tax,

Morgan-Practical Guide to Conference Leadership.



Buy U.S. Savings Bonds





Sourdoughs from throughout the U.S. as well as other countries are preparing for the 8th Annual World 'championship Gold Panning Contest to be held Saturday and Sunday, March 2-3, at nearby Tropico Gold Mine, Mill & Camp at Rosamond, Calif.

Sponsored by the Kern Antelope Historical Society, Rosamond Chamber of Commerce and Tropico Gold Mine, Mill & Camp, the event will be witnessed by thousands of persons from all over the West. Admission is free to the public, chairman Glen A. Settle has announced.

Defending his title, won at Tropico the past four years, will be Bob Chesmore of Greeley, Colorado. Accompanying him will be his wife, Barbara, not only defending her Ladies World Gold Panning Championship, but also attempting to win the Open Championship now held by her husband. Third-place winner, L. R. Bertles of Palmdale, California, will also be on hand to compete at 1 p.m.

Junior Champion Al Pauley, 13, from the old Whitmore Mine near Mojave, California, will defend his title.

A new entrant this year is Prospector John from Nome, Alaska, who is an expert in gold nugget swirling. Other Alaskans are expected to accompany him, in an attempt to wrest the title from Chesmore. One entrant from Thailand also is expected.

The Ladies World Gold Panning Championship contest begins at 2:30 p.m. the same day, Saturday.

The main event, the World Championship Senior Gold Panning Championship, will begin at 1 p.m.

Top award again this year will be the Joe Walker Memorial Trophy, with the winner's name to be engraved on the permanent award given in memory of the late NASA test pilot. John McKay, chief NASA test pilot, will make the presentation

All gold panning contest winners will receive individual trophies set with gold nuggets. Winner of the Open Class is also awarded all of the cash from the entry fees, plus other prizes, Settle announced.

Demonstration of gold panning with a batea, a cone-shaped wooden bowl used by Latin Americans from the Conquistador days to the present will be staged by Henry Rowland, a member of the Hollywood motion picture colony.

As an added feature, the Rosamond Kiwanis Club will host an Indian-style deep-pit barbecue Saturday, March 2.

Tropico Gold Mine, Mill & Camp, now an internationally famous historical attraction, shut down operations in 1956 following 60 years of mining during which millions in gold were extracted from the Big Red Hill. Tropico is located off Highway 14, five miles west of Rosamond and 15 miles north of Lancaster.

The interesting thing about gold panning is that no two champions or near champions use the same motions. Over the years, each has evolved his own technique. Some us a circular motion — some a side to side motion — some a figure eight motion. I suppose that depends on the size and type of pan habitually used.

The only thing all the experts have in common is rhythm and concentration. It's an art and they take it seriously.

This is the time of year to pan gold - after the rains have washed the free gold down from the mountains into the dry washes. In a near future column I will explain how to pick the place to pan. You can practice by putting small lead shot into a pan of sand to see how many shot you can retain or recover from your pan.



NEW SERVICE STARTS - Evelyne Hulin of the Federal Credit Union makes out an American Express cheque for a customer as the new service gets rolling. New this month, the service is to benefit members who need large sums of money for official travel or vacations.



of the universe.

is a success.

However, if the system of having individual clubs for different activities can be faulted at all, it is only because such a system may lack coordination. It is because of this that the China Lake youth program came into existence. Not only has the program provided a means of coordination, it has also provided the local kids with recreation in previously untapped areas. The hub of activity for the China Lake youth program is a place called predictably, the China Lake Youth Center, located behind the post office in Bennington Plaza. The current head of the program is Youth Director Dick Wadman. Since he came here last July, it has been Wadman's job to promote the youth program for kids in the 6 to 19-age bracket, a chore that he has performed in admirable fashion.

Among the many recreation activities included in Wadman's program are such things as the youth basketball leagues and the Junior Golf Clinic, which is currently underway. He also works closely with the parents involved in such activities as Little League, Pony and Colt Leagues and the AJBC bowling program. Among the activities planned for future months are a girl's softball league and an organized soccer program.

The youth program by no means begins and ends with competitive sports. Included in the program are such things as hobby clubs and tours to various places of interest. There are dances held regularly for the teen-agers, and even a charm school for the girls. The center itself has pool and ping pong tables, etc. It is the core of activity for the program.

Wadman is a 10-year veteran in the field of youth activities. The Portsmouth, N.H., native first became involved while in the service and had worked in various military and civilian recreation programs throughout the New England area prior to his arrival at China Lake. He feels that the China Lake program is the best youth activities project that he has ever worked with, giving much of the credit to the cooperation that he gets from the parents.

about 500, and with a group this size already on hand, Wadman admits that he's not advertising for more customers although any kid who wants to join is certainly welcome. He probably wouldn't need the advertising anyway, because when kids gather around the bubble gum counter, the word gets passed along.



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Problem With A Solution



By ED RANCK

Whenever people start talking about all the hardships involved in living in the desert, chances are their comment "there isn't anything to do," is going to be high on the complaint list. Although the China Lake and Ridgecrest communities swing a bit more than say, Kobdo, Mongolia, the local area isn't quite ready to take it's place among the great fun capitals

To most adults, the fact that this area is no rival to the French Riviera is a matter of no great concern. To kids however, being that they are by nature exuberant souls, the fact that the local sidewalks retract in the early evening is a problem of monumental proportion. When you pin them down, most kids will allow that living here isn't all that bad, but you get the impression that few of them would turn down a set of orders to Disneyland.

PROBLEM HAS SOLUTION

China Lake, like many small communities with a similar recreation problem, has an organized youth program to combat the boredom. The idea of such a program is not unique here, having been used in many other places lest the kids spend their spare time consorting with bad companions or even worse, growing long hair. The thing that sets the China Lake youth program apart from many similar projects is the fact that here it has been highly successful, and has been a source of enjoyment for kids and adults alike.

Until last summer, there was nothing here that could be called a complete youth program. This is not to say that the kids were left to roam the streets. In almost every type of recreational endeavor, there has usually been a group of parents who organized a club or league to provide the kids with plenty to do. The results of these individual efforts by adults over the years is one of the prime reasons why the current program

'KIDS ARE PEOPLE:' WADMAN

Wadman, using the often debunked theory that kids are human beings and know what they want, likes to have the center participants take part in the planning of activities. Because of this, the Junior and Senior Student Unions were formed It is within the student unions that many of the programs are planned and carried out, with Wadman supervising the proceedings. In giving the kids a certain amount of freedom to choose, Wadman has eliminated any feeling of regimentation that may arise in a program of this kind.

The unofficial membership at the Youth Center stands at

Swim Champs Win Titles In AAU



BLUE RIBBON WINNERS — Randy Brown (left) and Chris Moore display first place trophy they helped to win for Indian Wells Valley Swim Team in recent AAU Novice Meet at Lancaster. Individual winners are

(front, I-r) Susan Goettig, Carol Boyd, David Boyd, Clayton Bustard, Laurie Moore and Jan Hillard; and (back, I-r) Vince Mills, Kris Bjorklund, Eric Bjorklund, Martha Bock, Bruce Hillard and Greg Moore.

Good Fishing In Store for Sport Fisherman in '68

The 1968 angling regulations for sport fishermen go into effect today (Friday, March 1) according to officials of the Department of Fish and Game.

ular interest to fishermen covered in the new regulations include catfish limits; license provisions; fishing hours; freshwater fishing, fishing methods, gear and bait; frogs, individual lakes and streams; importation and exportation of fish, and other laws relating to fish.

Copies of the 29-odd page book is available from DFG of- Darlene Herbstreit rolled high fices and license agents single game for the ladies with throughout California. There is no charge for the booklets. At high series with 488. Other Naval Weapons Center, the highlights included Harvey booklets may be obtained from Johnson 234; Dean Ray 224; the main check-out counter at Jack Leininger 213; Mike Crom the Naval Exchange. For refer- 209; Bob Owens 204-206 and ence use, there are copies avail- Gordy Zurn 205. able in the Rocketeer Office.

A 15-day longer trout sealations with the general trout season opening April 27 and continues through November November 15 in the northwestern counties, and Southern California continues to have all-year trout angling with reduced winter limits.

Lifeguard Hopefuls Should Call Gier

Anyone interested in working as a lifeguard at the Cen- 213-202; Joe Seibold 210; Dan ter Swimming Pool is request- Dunn 209; Ed Sopke 209; Neal ed to contact Athletic Director Wilson 209; Dennis Hatzen- that there will be no basketguards are needed between the 202. nours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.



second 700 series of the year 216-589 in the Wednesday Wolast Friday to establish the season's high series for the Ridgecrest-China Lake Bowling Association. Bowling in the Fri-Some of the areas of partic- day Mixed Foursome, Cutsinger had games of 247-218-243 for a 708 series. The 708 erased the season's high of 703 set by Benny Whiteside a week earlier.

Cutsinger's series overshadowed a fine night by Ray Freascher, Freascher rolled a 257. high single for the evening, a 192 and 220 for a 669 series. 188, while Wilma Johnson had

In the Junior Mixed League, Charles Goff put together son highlights the 1968 regu- games of 140-247-184 to take single game and series honors. Dale Dowd rolled 237, Gary Ziegler 235, Leo Enriquez 225, 15. The season will be May 25- Bob Nelligan 224 and Mike 7 p.m.-GENGE vs. HOSPITAL; HALF FAST Dowd 203 in other highlights. Charmaine Tucker was high for the girls with 157.

Ken Dalpiaz rolled 215-199-234 enroute to a 648 series in the Midway League. Maury Coleman had high game, 236 and second high series with 603, while Dave Bonnema rolled 208-600. Other 200 games included Harry Myers Ray Gier at Ext. 71334. Life- buehler 208 and Warren Schad

highest series for the ladies at begin Friday, March 8.

Chuck Cutsinger rolled his China Lake this year, hitting men's Handicap League. In the Thursday Afternoon Trio, Sally Stephenson was high with 533 while Sherry Ray had high game with 192. In the Monday Scratch League, Charlotte De-Marco rolled a 556 to lead the way while Joyce Zurn was second with 525. Val Strommen rolled a 200-521, and Jenny Slates had high game with 205.

STANDINGS

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REDBIRDS	3	0
VAMPIRES	3	0
HOSPITAL	2	1
HALF FAST 6	2	1
MALADROITS	2	1
CODE 605	1	2
P AND A	1	2
CODE 12	1	2
GENGE	0	3
KAOS	0	3

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS HOSPITAL-15,15,11; CODE 605-9, 13, 15 HALF FAST 6-16, 15, 17; P & A-18, 13, 15. MALADROITS-11, 15, 15; CODE 12-15, 7, 13.

VAMPIRES-15, 15, 15; GENGE-6, 6, 7. REDBIRDS-15, 15, 15; KAOS-8, 3, 12.

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE March 5

6 p.m.-P & A vs. CODE 12; REDBIRDS vs. CODE 605.

6 vs. MALADROITS. 8 p.m.-VAMPIRES vs. KAOS.

March 7 6 p.m.-HALF FAST 6 vs. VAMPIRES; CODE 12 vs. HOSPITAL. 7 p.m.-REDBIRDS vs. MALADROITS; GENGE

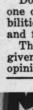
VS. KAOS. 8 p.m.-P & A vs. CODE 605.

No Basketball Games Set in Gym Tomorrow

Dick Wadman, Center Youth Director, announced this week ball games played in the Center Gym tomorrow. In addition. Mary Jane Clark rolled the the Basketball Tournament will

ir right to vote is one of the strongest pillars of our free ty. Throughout the course of history, men have given their in order to have a voice in the affairs of their government. Unfortunately, many of our citizens fail to realize the importance of voting. They neglect this all-important privilege and ob-











If You're In The Drivers' Seat, **Learn These Facts About Safety**

account, taken from the "Safety Review," points out several lessons for all drivers engaged in the daily business of "second guessing" their fellow drivers on the busy roadways. A few well chosen safety facts and examples are herewith provided hoping they will remind all of us that driving is a dangerous business and playing it safe is one of many ways we can extend our life and the lives of others.

Gas killed a lot of people last year.

Two per cent inhaled it. Three per cent touched a match to it.

Ninety-five per cent stepped on it.

Speed is the number one factor in vehicle accidents. Not in the sense that high speed alone is hazardous, but driving too fast for conditions is. Seventy mph on a modern freeway when the weather is clear is comparatively safe. Conversely, 30 mph may be too fast if visibility is restricted and the road surface is slippery.

Over most of the nation, the winter months are brutal for the driver and the normal hazards encountered in vehicle operation are augmented by adverse road and weather condisnow. Here are some factors to consider:

on the horizon. Rain, snow, and check yourself. fog reduce visibility, sometimes to a few feet. Frost on the in an accident, are always quick windshield and windows adds to place the blame on outside to the handicap.

der normal conditions on a dry road." "The car ahead stopped paved highway, at a speed of 60 mph, you need 300 feet to bring your vehicle to a stop. If the pavement is coated with ice or snow, it could take up to 1000 feet to stop your car from 60 mph. The need to operate your vehicle according to con- trol. He can, if he will, adjust ditions is obvious. Get the feel his driving to meet existing of the road by applying the conditions. He can, if he will, brakes at low speed. Learn how operate his vehicle in a cau-

rection of the skid. If you lack ly and avoid accidents. experience in driving under adverse conditions, take it easy until you know you are in control. You cannot regulate the weather but you can regulate your driving.

Safe Following Distance. One of the cardinal rules of safe driving is to allow plenty of operating distance between your car and the vehicle you are following. If the car ahead makes a sudden, impulsive stop or turn, you will have time to take evasive action. And remember, you will need three to 10 times the normal distance to stop on ice and snow.

Carbon Monoxide. This highly poisonous gas is more prevalent in cold weather. You cannot see, smell, or taste the fumes, but they are deadly. Make certain there is enough air circulating in your car to avoid this hazard. Cold air is better than none.

Visibility. When snow, sleet, rain, fog, and other conditions restrict your vision, speed should be reduced to the point where your ability to stop is well within your ability to see ahead

The driver. Accept your responsibility. Condition your tions, poor visibility, ice and car to meet foul weather conditions. Check the tires, brakes, lights, muffler, battery, wiper The weather. The sun is low blades, and steering. Then

Many drivers, when involved forces. "The sun was in my Slippery Roads. Driving un- eyes." "There was ice on the suddenly." Stop alibiing - the car usually doesn't cause accidents, nor does the road. And don't blame it on the weather.

It's the driver, for he is the only one in a position of conto come out of a skid by turn- tious, considerate manner. He

Editor's Note: The following ing the front wheels in the di- can, if he will, drive defensive-

Here's a portrait of the man who causes accidents: The driver who pulls out

from a parked position or parks his car - without look-

The driver who passes on hills and curves and makes a snake trail through traffic.

The driver who operates at excessive speed regardless of road and weather conditions. The driver who gets "oiled"

or "boiled." The driver who tries to steer peering through the hole the

size of a hat on a frosty windshield. The driver who is tempera-

mental or intemperate, inconsiderate, or horn happy.

Highway accidents are the result of inattention, chance taking, excessive speed, recklessness, poor judgement, overconfidence, fatigue, emotional immaturity, and many other causes which only the driver can control.

Courtesy and consideration toward others is the mark of a mature and socially responsible driver. Accept your responsibility, drive defensively, yield the right-of-way, obey the Golden Rule of the road and always drive so that your license will expire before you do.

Assessments Due

Members of the Government Employees Benefit Association amount of paint you need based and the China Lake Mutual on square footage standards. Aid Society are reminded that assessments number 143 and 71 are now due.

ied due to the death of Albert painting kit will contain all B. Lawrence, a retired mem- you need for the job, brushes, ber of Naval Weapons Center Security Police Department. who succumbed on February solvents. Ladders may be bor-

Payments of \$1.20 may be mailed to Joseph M. Becker, secretary - treasurer, 77-B Renshaw, China Lake, Calif., 93555.

minor repair jobs, announced Housing Office officials. For homes with governmentbuilt lawn sprinkler systems, new heads and repair parts are

available. There are towel bars and some plumbing repair items. Limited electrical supplies are also on hand. Do-ityourselfer's are cautioned to be sure they can shut off master power switches for their houses before attempting any electrical job more complicated than replacing a switch plate. Personal safety and fire danger are both involved when the master switch is inaccessible.

Check-out is Simple Checking-out minor repair supplies is simple. Housing keeps on hand items most requested and will expand its supply of parts to meet growing requests. Call at the Housing Office during regular working hours, Monday through Friday, to request what you need. A couple of signatures and you will be on your waya handyman and perhaps a hero to your family.

For those who wish to paint a room or a whole house, color chips are on display. The Housing Office will estimate the Then they will order the amount, kind, and color you have chosen, plus a painting Assessments have been lev- kit to be delivered to you. The rollers, even masking tape everything except ladders or rowed from the Housing Office. **Permits Required**

Painting permits are issued for 60 days but may be renewed if for any reason your project gets delayed. When your

Gardening Notes By Marianne Kistler Spring has reached our desert environs early this year. Daf-

fodils and other species of narcissus can be seen blooming in many gardens around the community in company with crocuses, snowdrops and snowflakes, violets, violas, and flowering ill follow forsythia and lilacs - two spe favorites of mine.

Freezing nights can still occur any time between now and mid-April, but hopefully they will be light frosts. One usually does not begin fertilizing plants until after the danger of frost is past; however, you can give your hardy plants a boost with a light application of complete fertilizer following directions on the package.

Bedding plants are beginning to arrive at local nurseries. Among the varieties you can find are Shasta daisies, Marguerite daisies, snapdragons, stock, and gazanias for sunny areas, and pansies, violas, columbine, and coral bells for sunny to partlyshaded areas. Many bareroot roses, trees, and fruit trees are still available, also, but hurry to plant bareroot stock.

In preparation for spring planting, one may desire to renew the soil with additions of humus and fertilizer, cultivated to a depth of 10," and watered in. There is a compound which has come to my attention that eases the effects of the transplanting or planting of any kind of plant. It is Vitamin B-1 in liquid form (not for human consumption), and can be purchased locally. To use, it is mixed with water — follow the directions on the bottle for best results.

It is too early to reseed lawns or start new ones, but the efficient gardener can use this time to advantage by cleaning, oiling, sharpening, and repairing the garden tools needed later on.



PASSED WITH FLYING COLORS - The contractor beams with pride as the final inspection is made of the Fuze Model Range building at NWC Corona Laboratories. Inspecting party is (I) R. E. Droudt, Head, Public Works, Corona; L. J. Helms, ROIC, Long Beach; L. R. Senk, president of Senk Construction Co., and Lieutenant (Junior Grade) T. M. Hadley, Assistant Officer-in-Charge of Construction, Long Beach.

Don't Complain To Public Works! You Can Now Do The Job Yourself

BY TILLY CHAMNESS

Some Center residents may job is completed a call to Ext. not be aware there is a handy 72636 will bring an inspector who will approve your job of fix-it-yourself supply store at the Housing Office. Such items home decoration. as door closers, screen door Ambitious projects such as and cupboard latches, switch

carports, family rooms or patplates and replacement show- ios require a sketch and a perer heads are all there for those mit. When you check your who want to do their own quick plans with the Housing Office they may refer you to Public Works Engineering Division for some professional advice about your proposed structure. Amateur projects are apt to bog down when enthusiasm exceeds know - how so you can get help from a pro before discouragement sets in. When an addition or any building project is completed call Ext. 72636 for inspection

> **Other Supplies** Fences require permits also. And for clean-up, paint - up projects fence paint and power sprayers are usually available at the Housing Office.

Model Range Bldg. **Inspected-Passed**

The new Fuze Model Range building at Corona Laboratories passed its final inspection recently when L. J. Helms, Resident Officer - in - Charge of Construction Long Beach Area, and Lieutenant (Junior Grade) T. M. Hadley, his assistant, checked all construction details of the new structure.

Accompanying them were L. R. Senk, president of Senk Construction Co., the contractor; H. F. Gemmel, Facilities Management Central Staff; and R. E. Droudt, Head, Public Works; both of Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories. E. S. Hoffer, representing Code 501, the future occupant of the building, also accompanied the party.

The huge hanger-type building will add considerably to the study of guided missile encounter with its target. Instrumentation in the building will permit taking complete data on the intercept.

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EDITORIAL

Your Chance to be Heard

e're only a few weeks into the year and the 1968 elections are already a major topic of conversation. e is little doubt that this is a political year and ses of action of national and international importwill be decided at the polls.

ligation and attempt to justify their neglect by saying, "My one vote wouldn't make any difference anyway."

When one uncast ballot is multiplied by the hundreds, or thousands, of eligible voters who stay at home, the total reaches stag-gering proportions and could make the difference in the outcome of an election.

It's obvious then, that every vote does count. But how do you, the man on military duty, ensure that your vote is counted? The first and most important step is to make sure that you are

properly registered to vote in your home state. With state pri-mary elections beginning as early as April, right now is the time to register and begin compiling all the information you will need to vote intelligently when the time comes. Remember, the time factor is extremely important in registra-

tion and voting. Requirements vary from state to state as to when to apply for registration, when to request your ballot and when you must return your ballot.

Don't let the time slip by so that you will not be able to exercise one of your most valuable and important privileges and responsibilities as an American citizen. See your Voting Officer right away and find out what you must do to vote in the 1968 elections.

The liberty we enjoy and for which thousands of Americans have given their lives can be lost if every citizen does not express his opinion through our system of free elctions. (AFPS)



NAVY GAINS TWO - Reenlisting for another four years of Navy service each with Cdr. William P. Baker, Commanding Officer of Enlisted Personnel, are (I-r) SHC Alford E. Lewis and CS1 Dewey R. Archer. Lewis works with the Commissary Store and Archer in the NWC Galley.

Pilots of VX-5 Give Corsair II Extensive Check

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If publishing is an important part of work in scientific laboratories and universities, it is especially so for the pilots evaluating the A-7A at VX-5.

"In an average week of evaluation," says LCdr. Keely, "we will put over three hours of writing and re-writing our findings to every hour of flying time." In fact, they must prepare three types of documents from their evaluation results.

The pilots prepare "deficiency reports" at irregular intervals - whenever weak spots are found.

"Advance Evaluation Notes" providing rapid information to combat squadrons are made up after each phase of evaluation is completed. Phases are concerned with individual weapons systems or aircraft systems.

Throughout the evaluation program, test results are accumulated for the big "payoff" document, the "tactical manual." This voluminous document is to be printed at the end of the A-7A evaluation program. for the benefit of Navy squadron pilots who will fly the new light attack plane. The A-7A is expected to be the second of its kind to be adopted by both services.

"The tactical manual will be the 'Bible' on the A-7A," says LCdr. Keely. "Pilots will be able to refer to it for anything they need to know about fighting with the plane."

Proof Is In the Fighting The carrier USS Ranger with Attack Squadron 147 aboard, has been serving as the Navy's combat launching pad for the new Corsair II. Reports in the press about the attack plane's performance in good and foul weather over Viet Nam, drawn from the daily experience of its pilots, echo much of the VX-5 evaluators' approval.

Among those carrier pilots in VA-147 have been four from the Air Force, with 21 enlisted aircrewmen. The USAF version of the Corsair II will be the A-7D, and they are doing their own combat evaluation of the aircraft for the Air Force.

So far, Navy pilots both at VX-5 and aboard the USS Ranger are discovering many strengths and great flexibility in the A-7A, as well as considerable potential.



TALK ON THE USES OF LIGHT - University people gather with NWC photochemists and photophysicists in Michelson Laboratory in a recent day-long conference on these specialties. The conference was sponsored by the Office of Naval Research, as part of a nationwide program to bring academic researchers together.



GETTING THE LATEST NEWS - Guest Speaker, J. K. Kennelly (I) of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, informs Russ Palmer, president of the Desert Empire Chapter of the California Society of Professional Engineers and H. G. Wilson, NWC Associate Technical Director, that the motoring public wants a soft riding tire. More than 130 persons attended the National Engineers' Week dinner at the Officers' Club, Tuesday, Feb. 20.

National Engineers' Week Observed Here

By BUDD GOTT

Over 130 persons were in at- that passenger tires are one of tendance at the National Engineers' Week dinner held at the Officers' Club on Feb. 20 in which the local Desert Empire Chapter of the California Society of Professional Engineers joined 400 other chapters throughout the 50 states, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, and the Canal Zone in the annual observance.

H. G. Wilson, associate technical director, in welcoming the engineers and their wives on behalf of the Center Command, remarked that when he enrolled in engineering at the University of Arkansas, the engineering students were picketing the English department because the University had upped the English requirements for engineers from two semesters to four semesters. He recalled that one of the signs read "Us Engineers Don't Need Any More English." "After 30 years of reading engineering reports, I don't think English has been over stressed," he remarked.

Guest speaker J. K. Kennelly, of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., told the audience

High Power Rifle Match Held By **Desert Gun Club**

A High Power Rifle Match was held recently by the Sier-ra Desert Gun Club on the Naval Weapons Center rifle range. A National Match 200 yards, 300 yards, and 600 yards, was used.

Target service on a trial basis was provided by boys from the China Lake Youth Center. An additional charge above the entry fee was collected from each contestant and given to the boys for their service.

Winners of the match were Jack Braun, Match Winner; Earl Clark, First Master, and Robert Puszcz, First Sharpsooter. Sixteen competitors were present including one junior shooter from the Junior Rifle Club.

the most highly engineered products on the market today. He noted that they must be engineered for safety, durability, traction, and good looks.

"The motoring public wants a soft riding tire," he said. "We could engineer a much better tire of the public would only go for a harder ride. In addition, they want a low profile tire which makes it more difficult to dissipate the heat. Heat is one of the greatest enemies of tires."

A tire flexes 800 times in a mile or 10 times a second, he noted, which causes the build-up of heat. A tire is like a shoe on a 70-mile-per-hour missile, he pointed out, and you want them safe. That is why there has been a trend toward better and stronger material

Originally tires were made with cotton cords, then we progressed to rayon, then nylon, and now it's Polyester. Polyester doesn't give you that morning sickness of thump, thump, thump" like rayon and nylon, he noted.

The trend today by American manufacturers is toward the radial type tire, long used by racing drivers. It's like driving your car down the highway on an endless conveyor belt. They are stronger, safer, and will give better mileage than the old type tire, he concluded.

Co-sponsoring the annual engineers' event were five of the Center's professional societies, the American Ordnance Asso-Course, which is fired from ciation, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, and the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers from Trona.

Members of engineering societies from out of town included representatives from Trona, Bishop, Lancaster, Edwards Air Force Base, and Monolith.

Russ Palmer, president of. the local Desert Empire Chapter, chairmaned the event.

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Chiefs Host 13th Annual Military Ball At CPO Club

OFFICERS HELP CELEBRATE - Officers the CPO 13th Annual Military Ball held in break away from their hosts briefly for a photographic record of their attendance at

the CPO Club, Saturday evening. CPO's hosted the officers and their ladies.

> Photographs by PH1 Phil Beard PH3 Ken Stevens





CHIEF'S GUEST - Master Chief and Mrs. J. R. Banker

were hosts for Mrs. and Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Com-

mander, during the evening's festivities.

MORE GUESTS PRESENT - Capt. and Mrs. E. J. Jaruszewski and Mrs. and BMC B. Knox (Ret.).



CHAPLAIN PRESENT - Chief and Mrs. P. Mengers (I) and Mrs. and Chaplain P. Romantum enjoy the evening.



NAVY'S ENLISTED ADVISOR - Master Chief D. Black (third, left) is welcomed by Capt. Etheridge, (I), Mrs. and Chief E. I. Jones.





SMILE PLEASE - Navy and Marine men with their ladies take a minute during the fun to pose for the photographer.



retired Chief's to attend the Ball are Chief J. D. Hooper Sr. (I) celebrating his 50th Enlistment Anniversary, and Chief G. R. Schneider, marking 58 years since enlisting.



AIR FORCE BLUE - Air Force MSgt. and Mrs. M. B Burchett with Mrs. and Maj. J. M. Kirwin pay their respects to the Center's Chief Petty Officers.



RETIRED CHIEFS - Tribute was paid to the many retired top-graders from local areas during the affair.

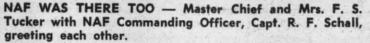
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Capt. Etheridge, NWC Commander, Capt. Muncie, Commanding Officer of VX-5, Retired Chief J. D. Hooper Sr., celebrating his 50th Enlistment Anniversary, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy, D. D. Black,

Capt. Schall, NAF Commanding Officer and Master Chief Banker. Back (I) Capt. Williamson II, NWC Executive Officer, Master Chief Dunn, Master Chief Tucker, and Master Chief Melson, all present or accounted for at the CPO Ball.







GLAD TO BE HERE - Master Chief B. Melson, Betty Kepler and Mrs. and Capt. R. Williamson II enjoy the gettogether at the CPO Ball.



CAPTAIN'S HOST - Chief and Mrs. W. Ascroft were the military hosts for Capt. and Mrs. J. A. Thimes at the Ball.



ACTIVE DUTY CHIEF PETTY OFFICERS - Special honors were paid to the majority of the Center's top enlisted men.