

Committee Formed To Select Monthly, Yearly NWC Athletes

A committee of sports-minded and otherwise knowledgeable people to choose athletes of the month and year, and to make recommendations for people to be inducted into the local "Hall of Fame," was established recently by John Shoaf, head of Special Services, and Wilt Wyman, NWC's supervisor of athletics.

The first meeting of the group was held on Aug. 1 in the Community Center. Present were Thad Brightwell, representing bowling; Max Smith, a golfer and head of the IWF Softball Association; Dick Hughes, a track aficionado; Jim Brown, all around athlete, and athlete of the year for 1973; Nancy Webster, a femme golfer; Bob Hooper, athlete of the year for 1972; Nick De Bonis, sports editor of The Daily Independent; Dean Ray, manager of the Hall Memorial bowling lanes; Jerry Kissick, volleyball leader and basketball player; Ruth O'Neil, tennis ace; Marla McBride, athlete of the year for 1973, Shoaf, Wyman, and Jack Lindsey, sports editor of The ROCKETEER.

During the meeting, guidelines were established for the selections and criteria for each nomination were set. Following that, Billy Brown and Nancy Webster were selected as Athletes of the Month for July.

It is the intention of the group to consider all sports for the various awards, and each athlete strictly on his or her own merits for the award being considered. This would include mountain climbers, skiers, etc. In line with that, five others will be invited to join the committee. They are Dr. Rick Roberts, an outstanding handball player; Gordy Irwin, basketball whiz; Roy Miller, and Billy De Haas, top skiers, and Bill Stronge, mountain climber.

The group will meet on the first Thursday of each month.



"COMPANY" TOGETHERNESS — In high spirits as they await tonight's opening of the CLOTA production, "Company," members of the cast and crew display their silk-screened T-shirts advertising the show. Kneeling in front (l. to r.) are Dori Morrione (who has the role of Kathy), Nancy Miller (Susan), Stacy MacGregor (Bobby), Elena Vitale (Sarah), and Linda Webb (April). Standing are Jim Fussner (set designer), Loren Dorrell (Peter), Marjorie Freis (Marta), Suzanne Koerschner (Joanne), Mike Walker (Paul), Camille Menz (set dresser), and Claudia Olson (Amy). A sprightly adult musical comedy, "Company" will be presented at the Burroughs High School Lecture Center at 8:15 tonight, tomorrow evening as well as on next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, Aug. 15, 16, and 17. Tickets at \$2.50 for adults and \$1.25 for students, may be purchased at the door just before curtain time, from the Station Pharmacy or at the Gift Mart in Ridgcrest. —Photo by Ron Allen

HAPPENINGS AROUND NWC

Got a special date you want to impress? Or celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or promotion?

Why not do it with a spaghetti dinner and a free glass of wine at the Club Chaparral tonight?

Walt Schimke, manager of the club, has

an over-stocked wine cellar and he's extending this offer to patrons of the restaurant tonight, which serves meals from 6 until 8:30.

After dinner, the "Cobra" will be playing dance music from 9:30 until 2 a.m. at the Jolly Roger.

All together, it sounds like a memorable evening. Give it a try.

Dance Set at COM

The Golden State Music Co. will provide music to dance to tonight at the Commissioned Officers' Mess, beginning at 9 o'clock. Steak tarter, prepared table-side, is the specialty in the dining room tonight.

Drake Dierkhising, manager of the club, invites all members and their guests to partake of this special dinner fare and stay for the dance.

In addition, Dierkhising informed The ROCKETEER that the beer tasting night, set for Wednesday, Aug. 14, has been postponed for one week.

"We will have the beer tasting night on Aug. 21," he informed the newspaper.

Child Care Help Offered

The Employee Services Board Child Care Center, located at the corner of N. Lauritsen Rd. and Nimitz Ave., is currently taking reservations for the day care program beginning this fall.

The Child Care Center offers a pre-school program, music, stories and creative activities for the children of working parents.

Polly Walsh, director of the center, would like to remind parents that the center also provides care for children on a drop-in basis, but by reservations only.

For more information, contact Mrs. Walsh by calling 446-2961.

CPO Club Luau Aug. 17

Members of the Chief Petty Officers' Club still have time to purchase tickets for the annual luau, set for Saturday, Aug. 17.

According to George Barnard, manager of the club, tickets are going fast and those who plan to attend should act soon.

Auntie Becky and her South Sea Islander group will provide the entertainment. The jolly Islander is famous at China Lake for her antics and never fails to please the crowd.

Admission is \$7.50 per person and reservations for tickets may be made by calling NWC Ext. 3633 or 3634.

SHOWBOAT

MOVIE RATINGS
The objective of the ratings is to inform parents about the suitability of movie content for viewing by their children.

- (G) - ALL AGES ADMITTED
General Audiences
- (PG) - ALL AGES ADMITTED
Parental Guidance Suggested
- (R) - RESTRICTED
Under 17 requires accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian
- CS - Cinemascope
- STD - Standard Movie Screen
- Regular starting time—7:30 p.m.
- Matinee—1 p.m.

FRI. 9 Aug.

"RETURN OF SABATA" (106 Min.)
Lee Van Cleef, Reimer Schone
(Western) In Hobsonville, Tex., Sabata, a gunslinger and former Confederate officer, runs into a fellow soldier who owes him \$5,000. While waiting to recoup his debt, he uncovers a plot by the greedy mayor and a scheming Irishman to swindle the townspeople by imposing a heavy sales tax. (PG)

SAT. 10 Aug.

"FAMILY MATINEE"
"WHICH WAY TO THE FRONT?" (102 Min.)
Jerry Lewis, Jan Murray

—EVENING—

"JEREMIAH JOHNSON" (108 Min.)
Robert Redford, Charles Tyner
(Drama) Adventures of a neophyte mountain man who breaks an ancient Indian taboo and has to defend himself from the consequences. (PG)

SUN. & MON. 11-12 Aug.

"MISTRESS PAMELA" (92 Min.)
Julian Barnes, Dudley Foster
(Romantic Farce) Frederic Abbott and daughter, Pamela, 14 (Ann Michelle), arrive at Devenish Hall, in the English countryside, where she will become a kitchen maid. Lord Julian Barnes tells butler Dudley Foster the girl would be best suited as maidservant for his mother. Five years later, Barnes returns to attend his mother's funeral, is struck with Pamela's beauty, unsuccessfully tries to seduce her, much to consternation of housekeeper Ann Quayle, who has become romantically attached to the girl herself. Chagrined, Barnes decides to take her back to Abbott; en route, another seduction try is thwarted. Barnes finally realizes he must break class barriers and decides to marry her officially. (R)

TUES. & WED. 13-14 Aug.

"ASSASSIN" (106 Min.)
Ian Hendry, Edward Judd
(Drama) The story traces the parallel world of the assassin and the target. (No rating available)

THURS. & FRI. 15-16 Aug.

"CABARET" (124 Min.)
Liza Minnelli, Joel Grey
(Musical) The rising tide of Nazism is ridiculed in a cabaret in the Berlin of 1931, in which the lives of an American girl, a British scholar, a Jewish girl, a German baron and a student become enmeshed. (PG)

YOUTH MATINEES

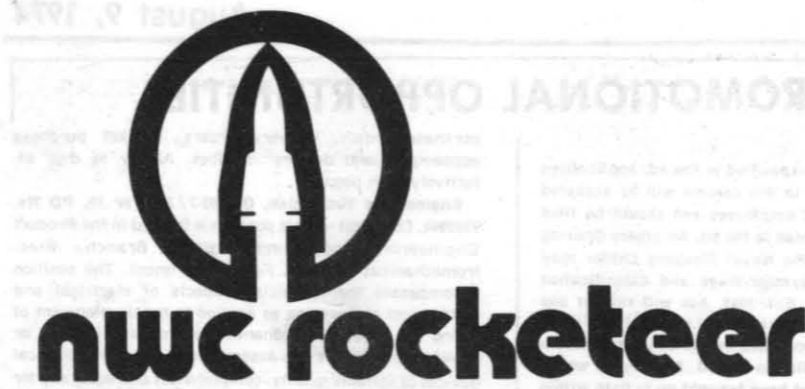
Next Tuesday, Jerry Lewis and Donna Butterworth will star in a laff-riot, "Family Jewels," at the Youth Center matinee in the Center Theater.

Show time is 1 p.m. Admission is free to all paid-up annual members of the Youth Center. All others must pay 30 cents.

On Thursday, Aug. 15, the final showing of the summer movies by the Youth Center will take place. Scheduled is "The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes," a film by Walt Disney starring Kirk Russell, Cesar Romero and Joe Flynn.

The film, which runs 91 min. long, starts at 1 p.m.

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Added Details Given on Effect Of Fair Labor Standards Act

Additional details are now available pertaining to the effect of a recent amendment that, for the first time, brings Federal employees under the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

Now, Civil Service employees covered by the FLSA are entitled to pay for overtime worked, whether it was requested and/or approved or not, if the supervisor knew (or had reason to believe) it was being performed.

Examples Cited

Examples of how the provisions apply might be the stenographer who comes into the office before normal work hours to type; the multith operator who continues to operate his machine through the lunch hour while eating lunch, or the typist who stays behind at the end of the day to type an important letter.

Among the positions covered by the FLSA are clerks, all non-supervisory wage grade jobs, and positions below the GS-9 level regardless of occupational category.

Locally, based on guidance from the Civil Service Commission and the Navy, the NWC Personnel Department is considering all technicians at the GS-11 level and above to be exempt from the FLSA, while all those below the GS-9 level are considered to be covered.

In the case of the GS-9 and GS-10 level

technician positions, each have been looked at individually and, depending on the nature of the work and the degree of discretion and independent judgment exercised, separate determinations have been made on the matter of whether or not they are covered by the FLSA or are exempt.

Eventually, all NWC personnel will be notified if they are covered by the FLSA or are exempt, but there may very well be changes in these determinations as more information and guidance is provided by the Civil Service Commission.

Spokesmen for the Personnel Department stress, however, that firm directives in this entire area are still in the developmental stage, and what has been stated represents only the best information available at this time. There may be significant changes, it was noted.

Still Under Study

On the subject of compensatory time, a Civil Service Commission letter previously stated that while this area is still under study, compensatory time will probably not be allowed for employees who are covered by the FLSA. Now it appears, however, that compensatory time will be allowed for employees covered by the Act if they submit a request in writing and the time is taken off during the same week that it is earned.

At this point, since the NWC payroll accounting system is not set up to deal with compensatory time earned and taken in the same week—until this problem is worked out—compensatory time should not be used instead of overtime for those employees covered by the FLSA.

Employees exempt from the FLSA will continue to be paid for overtime work in exactly the same way as in the past.

Senior Enlisted Advisor To Be Selected Soon

A screening committee composed of senior officers and headed by the Deputy Commander, Naval Weapons Center, is currently in the process of screening for a Senior Enlisted Advisor (SEA) to be selected by and who will have direct personal contact with Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, the NWC Commander.

The SEA will assist and advise RADM. Freeman in matters pertinent to the welfare and morale of enlisted personnel assigned to duty at China Lake, and their dependents.

This step is being taken to stimulate and enhance communications at all levels of Command and to prompt even keener sensitivity to enlisted men's and women's needs and points of view.

Precedent for this action is spelled out in a BUPERS Instruction that cites this as an extremely effective vehicle by which ideas and recommendations may be transmitted through open and active lines between enlisted personnel and Command.

In the Running

The Naval Weapons Center's Senior Enlisted Advisor is to be chosen from among senior chief petty officers (E-8) and master chief petty officers (E-9) attached to the Naval Weapons Center or the Naval Air Facility.

The SEA can also be the spokesman for enlisted personnel assigned to activities over which NWC exercises area coordination, and will act when required as the enlisted representative for the Command in local community and civic functions.

In order to obtain the input he needs to carry out his responsibilities, the SEA will meet informally with enlisted men at their work sites to exchange ideas and disseminate information which affects them.

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OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT — Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, NWC Commander, was in Washington, D.C., Wednesday to accept the 1974 SecNav Environmental Protection Award for Naval R&D Laboratories from the Honorable J. William Middendorf II, Secretary of the Navy (at right). Also flashing a happy smile is Capt. W. H. Sturman, head of the NWC Public Works Department. Looking on in background are Major General R. D. Bohn (at left), Commanding General of the Marine Corps Base at Camp Lejeune, N.C., which took top honors for outstanding environmental protection accomplished by a Marine Corps Activity, and the Honorable Russell Peterson, chairman of the President's Council on Environmental Quality. A special flag that accompanied the trophy will be raised during a ceremony planned at 9:30 a.m. Monday in front of the NWC Administration Building. All interested persons are invited to be on hand for this occasion.

No-Voltage Meter Is Safeguard Against Premature Explosions

Several times in the past, personnel on the NWC ranges have triggered premature explosions by hooking up firing lines that contained AC or DC voltage still within

them. As a result of this, a NAVWPNSCEN Instruction (No. 5100.6B) was written to specify that an "approved voltmeter" be used to check firing lines before connections are made to ordnance items.

Unfortunately, no such meter existed. Range ordnancemen were using their own jury-rigged devices, or a combination of other devices that enabled them to make a cursory check of the firing lines.

Earlier this year, an ad-hoc committee was formed to meet and discuss the development of such a meter. Members of the committee are R. D. Rasmussen, Code 3723; M. R. Osburn, Code 4504; R. B. Johanboeke and R. C. Meade, Code 4531; G. A. Greene, Code 4541; J. D. DeSanto, Code 5581; K. S. Skaar, head of the Safety Department; P. A. Donaldson and G. C. Pritchard, of Code 222.

A criteria for the proposed meter, to be called a no-voltage meter, was established. The meter should be portable, electrically sensitive, and should respond to very low voltages and still not be damaged by higher level voltage. It should respond to both AC and DC voltages.

Other Requirements

In addition, the meter should be relatively inexpensive, rugged, dependable, and contain a self-checking feature. It should also be built so that any mechanical failure within the meter itself could not accidentally discharge any voltage. And, it should be operable by any layman.

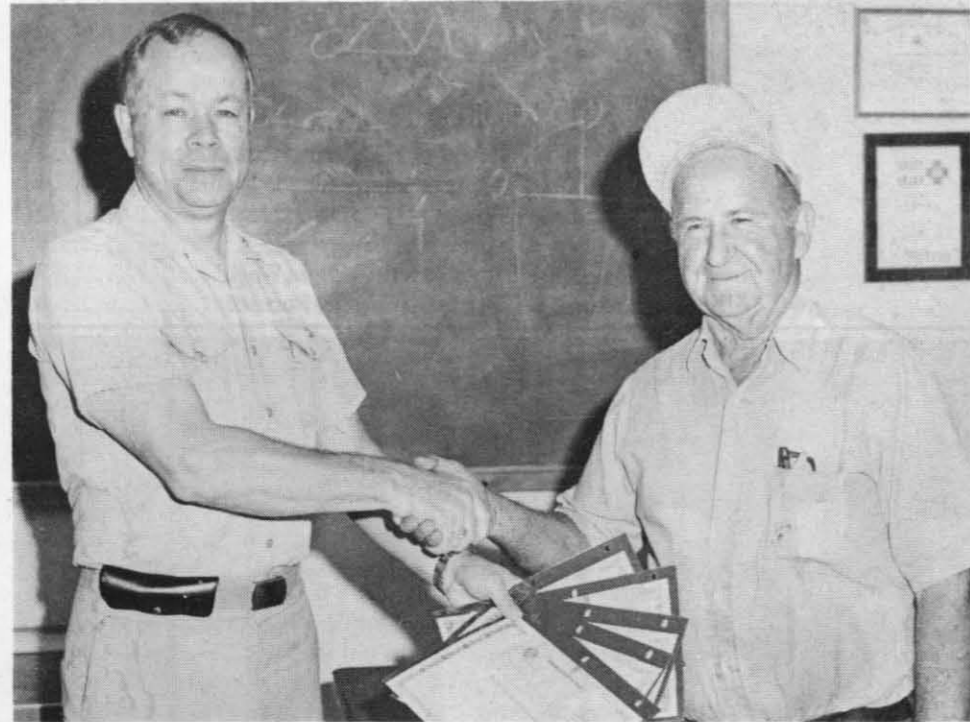
The task of developing such a meter was undertaken by Robert Meade, a member of the ad-hoc committee, and an employee of the Ballistics Test Branch of the Propulsion Development Department's Quality Assurance Division.

After some experimentation, Meade came (Continued on Page 4)



NEW MEASURE OF SAFETY — Roy Johanboeke (l.), head of the Ballistics Test Branch in the Propulsion Development Department's Quality Assurance Division, and Robert Meade, an employee of that branch, display a no-voltage meter, developed recently by Meade. This simple test set can be used to determine whether there is electric power, either AC or DC, running through a firing line prior to its hook up to a charge. —Photo by PH2 D. W. Yeatts

THE EXPRESS IS COMING — A rock music combo from the 9th Infantry Division at Ft. Lewis, Wash., will be at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds' Joshua Hall tonight to play for a dance from 8 o'clock until midnight. The group, known as the "Pacific Northwest Express," will perform free of charge for dance enthusiasts of all ages interested in attending this affair, which is being co-sponsored by the Ridgcrest Police Department and Army Recruiting Office in Ridgcrest. Michael Edwards (not shown), one of the combo's original members, directs the group. Other members of the "Pacific Northwest Express," who have played at more than 200 high schools and colleges, are Willie Devone, the lead singer and man on the keyboard; Andrew Johnson and Donald Mack, guitarists; Michael Shelon and Condry Robbino, working the brass section, and Edward (Chaco) Manana, who keeps the beat going on the drums.



PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Unless otherwise specified in the ad, applications for positions listed in this column will be accepted from current NWC employees and should be filed with the person named in the ad...

MULTIPLE AWARD RECIPIENT—During a recent award ceremony held by the Public Works Department, George Perrige, a machinist (maintenance) in the Metal Trades Branch...

Film To Be Shown Monday Night at Chapel

"Isn't It Good To Know," a film that abandons traditional story lines to involve the viewer in the life-experiences of real people...

true stories of the people who lived them, to brief appearances by Billy Graham, to video-vignettes, the film creates the ultimate drama — the drama of change.

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PROTESTANT Sunday Worship Service 1015 Sunday School — All Ages 0900 Wednesday Noon Bible Study 1130

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS Saturday 1700 fulfills Sunday obligation Sunday 0700 0830 1130

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL MASS Daily except Saturday First Friday only 1135 1635

CONFESIONS Saturday 1545 to 1645 Sunday 0800 to 0825

CCD CLASSES Sunday Kindergarten thru 4th grades 1015 Wednesday Seventh and 8th grades 1900

UNITARIANS CHAPEL ANNEX 95 Services — (Sept.-May.) 1930

Instrument Mechanic (Mechanical), WG-3265-11, JD No. 277-1, Code 70417 — Repairs, overhauls, maintains, tests and calibrates various boiler plant mechanical instruments...

Mechanical Engineering Technician, GS-802-7 or 11, PD No. 7407203, Code 7034 — Incumbent is assigned work covering alterations and improvements, construction, replacement, maintenance and repair...

Laborer (Heavy), WG-35002-03, JD No. 155-1, Code 5542 — Application will be accepted from current NWC career or career-conditional employees only...

General Engineer, GS-801-11 or 12, PD No. 7455111, Code 5581 — Applications will be accepted from current NWC career or career-conditional employees only...

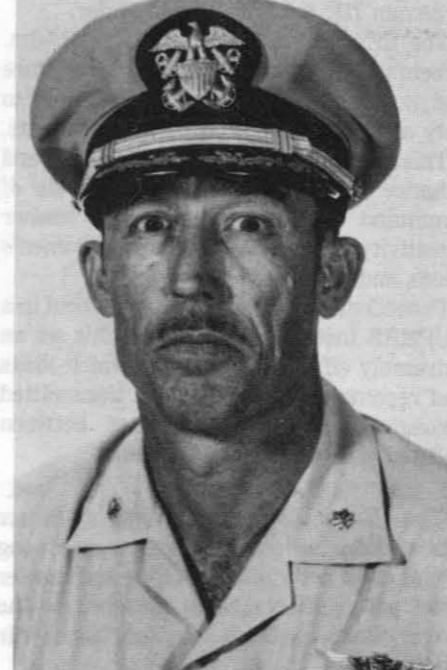
Instrument Maker (General), WG-3282-14, JD No. 115-3, Code 55474 — Applications will be accepted from current NWC career or career-conditional employees only...

Physical Science Technician, GS-1311-3 or 4, PD No. 7453033, Code 5352 — This trainee position is located in the Technical Support Section, Motion Picture Laboratory...

Voucher Examiner, GS-540-4 or 5, PD No. 7325921/7325922, Code 2375 — This position is in the Accounts Payable Branch, Control Division, Supply Department...

New Air Operations Officer Reports To NAF From Kingsville

Cdr. James W. Ehl has reported aboard the Center recently to assume the duties of Air Operations Officer at the Naval Air Facility.

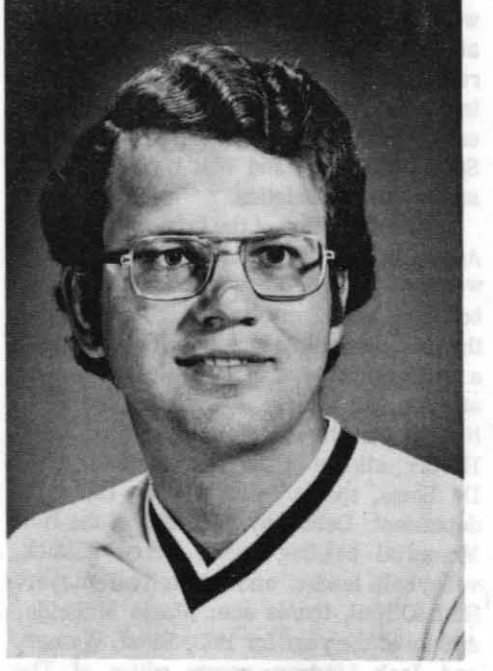


Station, Kingsville, Tex., where he also served as the Air Operations Officer. A native of Gladewater, Tex., he studied at Texas University, in Austin, before joining the Navy...

Employee In The Spotlight



FUZE DEPARTMENT AWARDS — James Willis, Richard Higuera and Eldon William (l.-r.), were each presented with 20-year Federal length of service pins at a recent awards ceremony by Bob Hillyer (r.), head of the Fuze Department...



Danny C. Jones

Danny C. Jones, a visual information specialist in the Special Design Section of the Illustrations and Design Branch, Graphic Arts Division of TID, isn't really wishy-washy, his transcript merely looks that way.

But, as his job title denotes, Danny Jones is really an artist, and a good one. "I think I started drawing as soon as I could pick up a pen," he drawled.

"I won a lot of contests and things while I was in high school, but when I went into the U.S. Navy following my graduation I wanted to be a corpsman," Danny recalled.

He enrolled at Bakersfield College to study mathematics, and supported himself and his wife, Nancy, by working as an emergency room technician at Mercy Hospital in Bakersfield.

After a year, Danny joined the work force at NWC. He came to the Special Design Section, then under Tony Baby, who is now head of graphics for the National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C.

In the meantime, he went back to school and received an associate in arts degree from the Desert Division of Bakersfield College in June 1970.

In August 1971, he switched to the Presentations Division of TID to work under Dick Johnson, who is now head of the Graphics Art Division. "I designed

presentations, multi-media shows, and performed general art work," Danny said. "It was a great group to work with and I learned quite a bit," he added.

In late 1973 he rejoined the Special Design Section, where he now works. Still pursuing his education, Danny went back to school, this time attending classes offered by the Cal State, Bakersfield, on-Center program.

For nearly three years, he taught art courses at the Desert Campus (now Cerro Coso College), and is thinking seriously about returning to teaching evening courses.

His art work has been highly acclaimed. Since coming to work for NWC, Danny has won 12 major art contests, including first prize at the recently conducted Society for Technical Communication international art show...

In addition, he has won a number of first place awards at regional art shows, including the Kern County Art Festival's professional division with a pen and ink drawing two years ago.

He and Nancy have two children. They are Shawn 8, and Shaye 6. The Jones family enjoys water skiing as a principal hobby. "We especially like skiing on the Colorado River," Danny says.

All interested persons are invited to take part in the tryouts.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Bartender, NA 7441-3 (\$2.35 ph), PD No. 74CPO 118, Code 8522 — This is not a Civil Service job. Incumbent mixes alcoholic/non-alcoholic drinks to order; delivers drinks, receives payment or appropriate charge to members...

Information Receptionist (Typing), GS-304-3 or 4, PD No. 7400010, Code 001 — This position is the receptionist for the Technical Presentations Coordinator. Incumbent will greet official visitors from off-Center as they enter Michelson Lab...

File applications for the above with Tina Lowe, Ph. 2722, Bldg. 34, Rm. 206. Information Receptionist (Typing), GS-304-3 or 4, PD No. 7400010, Code 001 — This position is the receptionist for the Technical Presentations Coordinator...

Accounts Maintenance Clerk, GS-520-3/4 or 5, PD No. 7117002, Code 1764 — This position is located in the Payroll Branch of Central Staff. The incumbent will work to ensure the accuracy of the Center's payroll process by identifying, researching and correcting payroll errors...

Exam Announcements Automotive Mechanic, Foreman, WS-5823-10, Code 70 — The Naval Weapons Center announces a competitive promotional examination for subject position to open Aug. 12 and close Aug. 26. Qualifying trades: Automotive Mechanic...

Job Opportunities Recreation Aid, PS 0189-3 (\$2.39 ph-\$2.79 ph), PD No. 7455 110, Code 855 — This is not a Civil Service job (permanent part-time position). This lifeguard job is located at the swimming pools (indoor/outdoor), Special Services Division, Command Administration Department, NWC...

Food Service Worker, NA 7408-4 (\$2.58-\$3.01), PD 74COM 111, Code 851 — This is not a Civil Service job. Prepares all kinds of foods which require only a short time to prepare such as steak sandwiches, pizzas, hamburgers, etc. May occasionally assist chef in main galley to prepare and cook such foods as roasts, soups, and vegetables...

Pest Control Contract

A new pest control contract for the Center has been awarded to the John Edwards Pest Control Co., according to Frank McElfish, NWC pest control officer.

The telephone number of the company is 446-6209. McElfish's number is NWC ext. 2227. He may be called if there are any questions regarding this service.



NEWLY PROMOTED — Thomas G. Hudgins is being presented his new set of bars by Capt. E. M. Crow, Commanding Officer of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five, upon his recent promotion to the rank of lieutenant. Lt. Hudgins began his Navy career in the enlisted ranks as an aviation electrician's mate...

Local Drama Group Schedules Tryouts For 'Virginia Woolf'

Tryouts for "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" will be held at the Davis Hangar, corner of Upjohn Rd. and China Lake Blvd., on Monday and Tuesday, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The play, to be directed by Elena Vitale, consists of four characters. They are Martha, 52, looking somewhat younger. She is the daughter of the president of a college. In her mind, she has married a disappointment.

Her husband, George, is 46, and shrewd. He realizes that he can never compare to Martha's impression of her father, but he is very intelligent and thus, quite calculating.

All interested persons are invited to take part in the tryouts.

