

## Advice on child care for working mothers to be seminar topic

Can a woman have a career and be a good mother too? What can the mother do to help the child make a good adjustment to her absence from the home during most of the working day?

How can the mother help the people she entrusts with the daytime care of the child? And what are some of the options for child care available to the working mother?

These questions, of great importance to the working mother, will be discussed at the next Brown-Bag Seminar, which is scheduled next Wednesday, Feb. 4, starting at 11:30 a.m. in the Community Center.

Polly Walsh, director of the Employee Services Board's Child Care Center, will be on hand to discuss the subject "Child Care and the Working Mother" from her experienced viewpoint and to answer questions from participants.

With teaching certificates for both primary and Montessori schools, Mrs. Walsh has had four years of experience as a nursery school teacher, the last two of them as director of the Child Care Center. She is now serving on three advisory boards for child care facilities: the advisory board for the child care center at Cerro Coso Community College, the Instructional Board for the college's Early Childhood Development Department, and St. Ann's school board.

All interested person are invited by Alice Pastorius, acting Deputy Equal Employment Opportunity Coordinator and Federal Women's Program Coordinator for NWC, to attend the seminar and are reminded to bring sack lunches.

## Happenings around NWC

The Ballet Arts Theatre is offering a special 6-week session for women. Classes will be conducted by Bette Jacks and will be scheduled mornings, afternoons and evenings to accommodate all who are interested.

Ballet tones the body, improves coordination, develops grace and poise, and is a perfect way to exercise among friends, Mrs. Jacks pointed out.

The fee for this special session is \$20 and will be used to help finance the company's spring concert that is to be presented in June. The concert will feature a bicentennial theme. All proceeds from it again will be donated to the IWW Association for the Retarded.

Registration for these adult ballet classes will be held next Wednesday, Feb. 4, from 1 to 3 and from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at 303 Blue Ridge Rd., China Lake.

### Snack Bar Grand Opening

Grand opening of the Plaza Snack Bar, located in Bennington Plaza, will take place next Wednesday, Feb. 4, Lt. Ed Smith, Navy Exchange Officer, announced. Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, NWC Commander, will participate in a ribbon-cutting ceremony that is scheduled at 11:30 a.m.

Regular hours of operation at the Plaza Snack Bar will be from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

### College Library Open Saturdays

Cerro Coso Community College has announced that the college library will be open to the general public as well as students on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the remainder of the 1976 spring semester.

Interested persons may obtain information on the facilities the library has available for use by phoning 375-5001.

### IWW Metal Trades Council

The next meeting of the Indian Wells Valley Metal Trades Council will be held on Thursday, Feb. 5, starting at 7:30 at 65-B Halsey Ave., China Lake.

The council is the representative of a unit composed of the Naval Weapons Center's non-supervisory, ungraded, civilian employees who are located at China Lake.



**WOW-EE THAT SMARTS!** — Anti-rabies inoculations were administered to an estimated 1,300 dogs last Friday and Saturday during public clinics that were co-sponsored throughout the local area by the Kern County Health Department and the Veterinary Medical Association. In the photo above, Dr. David Zachery, of the Mt. Vernon Veterinary Hospital in Bakersfield, is shown "needing" a pet brought by its owner to the clinic held at the China Lake Girl Scout Hut. Because of a misuse on the Kern County end, no dog licenses were available at the anti-rabies clinics. Local residents who paid either Kern County or City of Ridgecrest dog license fees at the time their pet received its shot, will be receiving a 1976 license tag by mail in approximately two weeks. Dog owners who missed out on the public clinics that were held on Jan. 23 and 24 can still protect their pets against rabies by visiting Dr. L. A. Jackson, at the Ridgecrest Animal Hospital on Bowman Rd., or some other veterinarian of their choice. Upon presenting a receipt from the veterinarian showing that a rabies shot has been administered, a 1976 dog license will be issued at the Ridgecrest City Hall.

—Photo by Ron Allen

## Mobile unit of Houchin Blood Bank to be at Elks' Club Tues.

Another visit to Ridgecrest by the Houchin Community Blood Bank's mobile blood unit from Bakersfield is scheduled on Tuesday, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Ridgecrest Elks Club, 200 E. Church St.

Blood bank representatives will be bringing with them a gift for each member of the Gallon Club — those who have in the past donated 8 pints of blood.

This gift is a bicentennial cup made of white porcelain trimmed in 23 carat gold. A black shield on the cup is the background for a bronze coin that has been designed by Louis Marini, the renowned numismatic artist. The reverse side indicates that the owner of the cup is a Gallon Club member.

### Bicentennial Year Gift

Local blood donors eligible for such cups are invited to pick them up while the Houchin Blood Bank's mobile blood unit is at the Elks' Club on Tuesday afternoon. Anyone who becomes a Gallon Club member during 1976 also will receive this handsome memento of their country's 200th birthday.

According to Kay Thoms, chairman of the Indian Wells Valley Blood Bank's Advance Fund, special requests from some 15 persons have been received and, for this reason, a good turnout of prospective blood donors is hoped for to assist those who need replacements for transfusions they have received or will be administered in the near future.

### Blood Donor Age Limits

Anyone between 18 and 65 years of age who is in good health is eligible to donate blood. Individuals may designate to whom their blood is to be given, or contribute a pint of blood to the IWW Advanced Blood Fund for whoever may need it. This fund is maintained for the use of anyone in the local area who needs blood as the result of an illness, accident or emergency.

Donors also may request that their blood be earmarked for their contribution to a blood plan insurance policy which, at no cost, will cover any blood needed by a husband and wife and all their children for one year.

Prospective blood donors will be checked by a doctor or nurse at the blood bank, and are asked not to eat any dairy products or fatty foods within three hours prior to the time they donate blood. In addition, those who have received flu shots from their doctor within 24 hours of the blood bank's visit will be turned away.

Anyone who has ever had hepatitis, cancer, tuberculosis, heart disease, diabetes or syphilis is banned from giving blood.

Personnel from the Houchin Community Blood Bank will be assisted next Tuesday by members of the Ridgecrest Elks Lodge and Emblem Club, by local doctors and the Indian Wells Valley Nurses Club, and also by members of Beta Sigma Phi sorority and employees of the Community National Bank.

## Burros Stage Band to present concert next Thurs. night

Next Thursday, Feb. 5, the Burroughs High School Fine Arts Department will present a concert by the Stage Band. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Burroughs High School lecture center.

Donations are \$1.50 per person, and tickets can be obtained in advance from members of the Stage Band. They also will be available at the lecture center door before the performance.

On Friday, the day following the concert, the band will leave for Flagstaff, Ariz., to compete in its first Jazz Festival of the year. Other bands entered will come from California, Arizona, and Nevada.

Among the numbers the band will be playing during Thursday's concert are six that were composed or arranged by Bill Lutjens, a former Stage Band member, who is now attending California State University at Fresno.

Debbie Johnson, Stage Band drummer, will sing two solo numbers during the evening.

## 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.

Program subject to change without notice — please check marquee.

FRI. 30 JAN.

"THE TERMINAL MAN" (105 Min.)

George Segal, Joan Hackett  
(Suspense Drama) A man has a computer terminal inserted in his brain. When the operation goes awry, he becomes part Frankenstein monster — subject to violent, murderous blackouts — and seeks victims at random from both friends and strangers. (PG)

SAT. 31 JAN.

"THE DAY OF THE JACKAL" (143 Min.)

Edward Fox, Alan Badel  
(Suspense Drama) Suspense-intrigue drama of a plot to assassinate General DeGaulle. (PG)

SUN. & MON. 1-2 FEB.

"BITE THE BULLET" (131 Min.)

Gene Hackman, Candice Bergen  
(Western) At the turn of the century, the Southwestern Press sponsors a 700 mile endurance race via horseback with a \$2,000 prize. The participants are from every walk of life, including Gene Hackman, an ex-Rough Rider; Candice Bergen, one-time prostitute, and James Coburn, a gambler. Suspense builds as misfortune besets various competitors forcing some to drop out of the race. There is an exciting and surprising finish to the race. This film is replete with action, heightened by robust humor, compassionate characters and provocative thoughts on American values. (PG)

TUE. 3 FEB.

"RUSSIAN ROULETTE" (90 Min.)

George Segal, Bo Brundin  
(Action Drama) It is 1970 and tension is mounting as Canada prepares to welcome Russian Premier Kosygin to Vancouver. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police are on alert, and suspended Corporal Shaner (George Segal) given a last chance to redeem himself. His assignment is to take into custody, without the awkwardness of open arrest, Rudolph Hinke, a hellion on the KGB surveillance list. Suspense mounts with every passing moment. Will Shaner succeed or will Canada be faced with an avenging Russia if her Premier is assassinated? (PG)

WED. 4 FEB.

"HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY, LOVE GEORGE" (92 Min.)

Patricia Neal, Cloris Leachman  
(Suspense Drama) This is the story of a young man seeking his true parentage and his involvement in murders committed by a disarranged girl. The setting is a New England fishing village. (PG)

THURS. 5 FEB.

"AMERICAN GRAFFITI" (110 Min.)

Richard Dreyfuss, Ronny Howard  
(Comedy) Story of four high school buddies and the girls in their lives in the summer of 1962. (PG)

FRI. 6 FEB.

"PHASE IV" (84 Min.)

Nigel Davenport, Michael Murphy  
(Science Fiction) This movie concerns the biological imbalance that has taken place in the Arizona desert. The result is a confrontation challenging man's supremacy on earth. (PG)

Film scheduled about space program research

"Adventures in Research," an 18-min. color film about the NASA / Ames Research Center, will be presented at the next meeting of the China Lake Astronomical Society.

The meeting, which is open to all interested persons, will be held at the society's clubhouse, 401-A McIntire St., starting at 7:30 p.m.

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## Work on glass recycling center pit gets started

Seabees assigned to the Naval Weapons Center's Self-Help Project Office in the Public Works Department, and Seabee Reservists who are members of China Lake Detachment No. 0217 of Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 17, began work this past weekend on a glass recycling center pit located east of Richmond Rd. near the tenant dump.

Digging equipment, bulldozers and trucks were used to excavate the pit and a ramp that will lead down into it. Sloping the sides of the pit and leveling the bottom still remain to be done by the Seabee Reservists before the regular duty Seabees can complete this part of the job by pouring concrete for the ramp and bottom of pit.

The pit, which is 86 ft. long (including the ramp) will be 6½ ft. deep. Before the project is completed and ready for use it will be enclosed by a fence that will have chutes built into it for receiving local residents' contributions of non-returnable glass bottles or containers.

### In Charge of Operation

A committee from the China Lake Community Council will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the glass recycling center once it is ready for use.

During last week's meeting of the board of directors of the local civic group, favorable action was taken on a motion to borrow \$2,200 from the Employee Services Board to cover the cost of the concrete and the chain link fence.

By sale of the glass in 25-ton lots at a price of \$14 per ton to firms that are in the business of recycling glass, the Community Council will repay the loan. Thereafter, proceeds from the operation of the glass recycling center will be used to help meet the council's financial needs and those of other community projects.

### Safety Vitrally Important

The glass recycling center is being constructed with safety in mind and, to the degree possible, will be "accident proof." In an effort to insure that this is the case, the following safety procedures have been proposed and approved.

Vehicle traffic will be directed one way along the west side of the pit, around the north end and then along the east side to the exit. Upon reaching one of the receiving chutes, drivers are to stop and see that glass is placed in the receiving chutes so that it falls into the pit.

No one under 12 years of age will be allowed to place glass in the receiving chutes, and the vehicle speed limit in the vicinity of the glass recycling center pit has been set at 5mph.

Glass may be left at the pit 24 hours per day, seven days a week, except when men

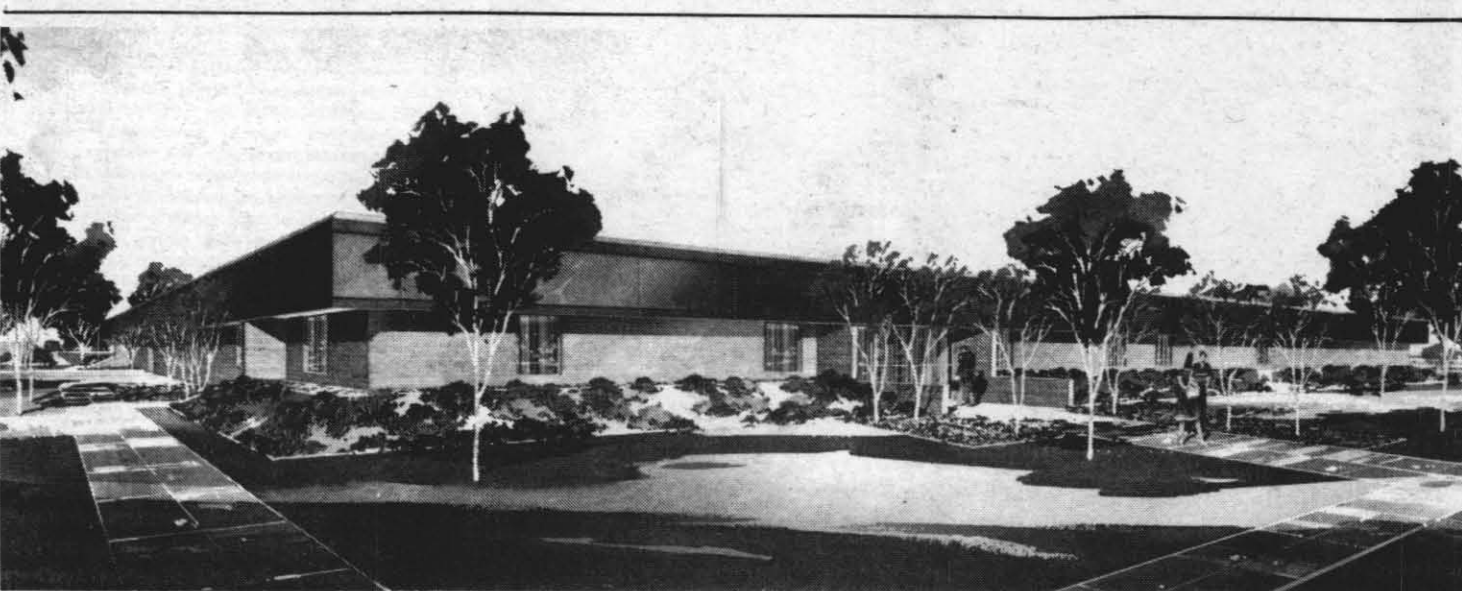
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**LOOK OF THE FUTURE** — This architect's rendering depicts the exterior appearance of the 10-bed dispensary and dental clinic that is scheduled for completion in mid-1977. After demolition of a group of old apartments which previously occupied the construction site, heavy equipment operators are now leveling the ground and bringing it up to grade in preparation for forming the foundation of the new structure. According to Bob Barling, the

project design engineer in the Plans and Specifications Branch of Public Works Department's Engineering Division, the job is about four weeks ahead of schedule at the present time. This new medical facility, which will cost \$2,881,000, is being built under a contract awarded to the Riha Construction Co. of La Mesa, Calif. The architect's sketch that is shown above was prepared by the firm of Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall of Los Angeles.

## RAdm. Freeman discusses impact of times on NWC at County Business Outlook Conference

What the impact of the times will be upon the Naval Weapons Center during 1976 — a year forecasters generally agreed will see the national economy move into an upturn cycle — was the subject of a talk presented last week at the 18th annual Kern County Business Outlook Conference by Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, NWC Commander.

RAdm. Freeman was one of a group of nine panelists who covered a variety of subjects ranging from agricultural activity in Kern County and the outlook for real estate and construction in '76 to tourism and election year economics.

More than 1,400 persons attended this Kern County Board of Trade-sponsored economic forecasting session that was held at the Civic Auditorium in Bakersfield.

The Skipper sought first to acquaint his audience with the vast area under his command by describing the Center and its mission, which is oriented mainly to the support of Navy and Marine Corps tactical air-launched weapons and systems.

NWC, he said, is the largest activity of the Naval Material Command — both in size and number of personnel. It encompasses one million acres of the upper Mojave Desert and has its own air facility which is the home of VX-5 (an Air Test and Evaluation Squadron responsible for the operational testing and evaluation of airborne systems and air-to-ground weapons).

The Naval Air Facility, it was pointed out, is a separate command that is outfitted with the aircraft and drones, maintenance facilities and the logistics and experienced pilots necessary to provide flying support to the Center's research and development efforts.

### Large Work Force

On hand to help carry out the NWC mission are nearly 2,000 scientists, engineers and technicians who are assigned to some 200 major tasks, as well as another 2,000 support personnel who provide everything from clerical services to firefighting and police, RAdm. Freeman informed his listeners.

After noting that the Center's annual budget of some \$206 million and a payroll that is close to the \$90 million mark are

expected to remain about the same in 1976, the NWC Commander commented that, due to the inflationary state of the economy, the Center will be experiencing a reduction in its buying power. That, he stated, is the major impact of the times on NWC.

### Impact of Cutbacks

Cutbacks in the Department of Defense budget will result in similar cutbacks throughout the various branches of the military services, the Skipper added. "At NWC," he said, "we see this impact in our military construction requests and in the funds available for supporting the Naval Air Facility's operations."

Every avenue must be exploited for reducing the Center's overhead costs and, it was added, the Center (like all NMC activities) has been directed to reduce its energy consumption rate by 15 per cent from the amount used during 1973. "This," the speaker noted, "is not a trivial undertaking."

The impact of today's inflationary economy on the Center's mission also was touched upon by RAdm. Freeman. "Heretofore, when a weapon system under

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## Jackrabbit population reduced as result of control program

Naval Weapons Center tenants living in the vicinity of the China Lake golf course may well be of the opinion that they are at ringside for the start of a shooting war — and they are right. A long, dry winter with its lack of food supplies together with an insufficient number of natural predators this year have been responsible for hundreds of jackrabbits turning to the golf course for their sustenance.

Unfortunately, this unusual winter weather has left the grass very dormant but this has only spurred these enterprising long-eared chowhounds to improvise. By digging up the grass to eat the still-moist roots, the jackrabbits have literally torn up the golf course.

Initially, Public Works Department employees attempted to control the situation by trapping the rabbits but this was even less effective than the use of non-

poisonous repellent sprays that also were used.

Since the turf of one golf course in the Bakersfield area had literally been destroyed by jackrabbits under similar circumstances, necessitating closing the course for re-sodding and re-seeding, it was reluctantly decided to control the jackrabbit population by shooting those found foraging on the course.

Under the direction of the NWC Natural Resources Specialist, the China Lake Police Department has been carrying out a herding-thinning effort that has reduced the jackrabbit population by over 600. This action, in addition to preserving the golf course, has had some positive side-benefits as well.

Because the long dry winter has been so widespread, other natural subsystems also

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**GLASS RECYCLING PIT PREPARED** — Active duty Seabees and Seabee Reservists this past weekend began the initial work of excavating the collection pit for a glass recycling center. Warren Berry, an equipment operator 2nd class, was in charge of the work. The bulldozer operator shown above is Richard Scimone, an equipment operator constructionman who is an active duty Seabee. Looking on at right is Charles Fees, a construction electrician 2nd class. —Photo by Ron Allen



## New fees set, other changes announced at CL golf course

Historically, the Naval Weapons Center has been authorized to support Special Services activities with appropriated funds as well as the profits from Navy Exchange and Employees Services Board operations. However, a reduction in the amount of appropriated funds has now made it mandatory that Special Services be self-supporting to the maximum extent possible.

These funding restraints, together with continually rising costs of operating the China Lake golf course, make it necessary to make some changes in the policies governing the use of the course.

### Reason For Changes

These following policy changes are being made in an effort to increase golfing revenues and it is sincerely hoped that those who use the course will continue their support:

The 10 per cent discount on annual memberships that were paid one year in advance has now been discontinued.

Only those privately-owned golf carts that are currently registered with Paul Someson, the golf pro, will be permitted on the course.

Golfers will not be authorized to transfer currently registered carts to other members or to replace currently registered golf carts.

### New Fees Effective Sunday

A schedule of new fees, effective on Sunday, Feb. 1, includes an increase to \$3 per day for the use of privately-owned golf carts.

In addition, the daily green fees for Category 1 (which includes commissioned officers, warrant officers, civilian employees, retired military and Civil Service personnel and guests) will be \$4 for 9 holes and \$5 for 18 holes on week days, or \$4.50 and \$6, respectively, on weekends and holidays.

The new fees for Category II (active duty military personnel in ratings E6 through E9) will be \$1.50 and \$2.50 for 9 and 18 holes, respectively, on weekdays, or \$2 and \$3.50 on weekends and holidays.

In case of enlisted personnel in ratings E1 through E5, they will be charged \$1.25 and \$1.50 to play 9 and 18 holes respectively, on weekdays, or \$1.50 and \$2 each weekends and holidays.

It is regretted that these steps must be taken, but if golfers are to continue to enjoy golf privileges at China Lake, they are being asked to help make the operation of the course self-supporting. It is worthwhile to note that even with these changes, the cost of playing golf at China Lake is still most competitive in comparison with similar costs at other golf courses in this tri-county area.

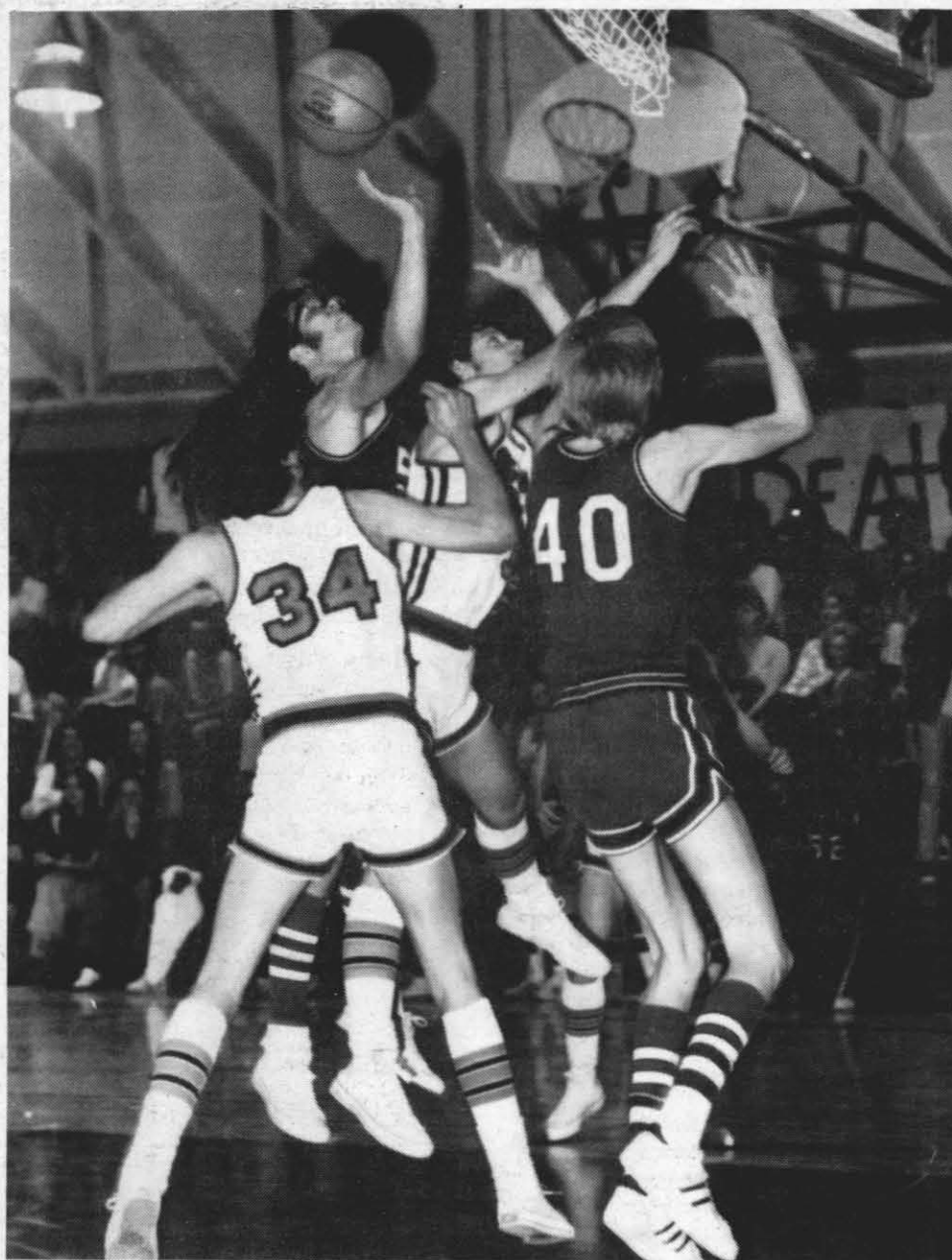
## Results reported of 3-mi. cross country run staged by Over-the-Hill Track Club

Finishing times labeled "very good" were posted by the 34 local distance runners who completed the third annual cross country run staged this past Saturday over a hilly, 3-mile course behind Trader May's place south of Ridgecrest. This event was arranged by the Over-the-Hill Track Club.

The father and son combination of Dick and Stan Hughes tied for first place as they crossed the finish line in 16 min., 40 sec. They were closely followed by Chris Nicholson, a high school age runner, who was clocked at 17:04. These three entrants led the race from start to finish.

Competing in only his second long distance race, Tom McMahon, an entrant in the men's 30 to 39-year-old age group, placed fourth in 17:49, while high schoolers Mike Walters and Ed Larosche finished in fifth and sixth places, just ahead of Norm Nieberlein, another runner in the men's 30 to 39-year-old age group.

Steve Bovee, who had prepared for the local event by competing in the San Diego mini-marathon, crossed the finish line in



**SCRAMBLE UNDER BASKET** — Martin Forrester of Burroughs is in the best position to latch onto this rebound during last Friday night's varsity basketball game between the Burros and the Sun Devils of Apple Valley. The camera also caught Daryl Moline (No. 40) poised for a try at the ball, while No. 34 is John Lawlor, a guard for the visitors. The Burros ended a four-game Golden League losing streak by blasting Apple Valley, 100-50. —Photo by Ron Allen

## 4-game losing streak brought to halt by Burros varsity hoopsters

Burroughs High School's varsity basketball team put a screeching halt to a 4-game Golden League losing streak by plastering a 100-50 defeat on the cellar-dwelling Apple Valley quintet in a home game played last Friday night, and then traveled to Barstow on Saturday where they knocked off the Riffians by a final score of 89-51.

This gave the Burros a record of three wins and four losses in league competition prior to this past Tuesday night's start of the second round of league play against Quartz Hill on the Rebels' home court.

The Burros, who opened Golden League play with an 84-52 win over Quartz Hill, returned home Tuesday night with another

eighth place. Like McMahon and Nieberlein, he also is a runner in the men's 30 to 39-year-old age group.

First among the pre-teenage finishers was Jeffrey Ansell, whose time of 22:11 put him in 24th place overall, while Jane Alltop (Continued on Page 7)

### Entry blanks available for handball tournament

Entry blanks are now available at the Center gym from all those interested in competing in a singles-only handball tournament that will take place on Feb. 17 and 18, and 24 through 26 at the NWC handball court.

Those entered in this event will be grouped into one of three classifications, depending upon their ability, and action will get under way at 5 p.m. on each day that the tourney is in progress.

An entry fee of \$1 per player will be charged, and completed entry forms must be received at the gym office no later than 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 12.



### Wilt's Corner

## Slight change made in swimming pool hours of operation

Beginning Monday, the Naval Weapons Center's indoor swimming pool will be cutting back slightly on its hours of operation.

Attendance figures collected since last September show there has been minimal use of the pool from 4 to 4:30 and from 8:30 to 9 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. For this reason, use of the swimming pool during the late afternoon and evening hours on these three days will be from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m., instead of from 4 to 9 p.m.

No other changes in the hours of operation at the swimming pool are anticipated until the summer months.

The complete schedule of operation at the indoor swimming pool is now as follows: Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., adults only.

Monday, 4:30 to 6 p.m., opening swimming; 6 to 8:30 p.m., women only.

Wednesday and Friday, 4:30 to 8 p.m., open swimming.

Saturday and Sunday, noon to 1 p.m., adults only; 1 to 6 p.m., open swimming.

### Scuba Diving Orientation

An orientation session for prospective students interested in participating in a class in scuba diving will be held next Thursday, Feb. 5, starting at 6 p.m. in Rm. 101 of the Training Center.

Leon Breedon, scuba diving instructor, will be present to discuss the material that will be covered in the course, equipment needed, fees to be charged, and the dates and times the class is to be offered.

All those who have already signed up for the class, as well as all other interested persons, are encouraged to attend. Additional information can be obtained by (Continued on Page 7)



—Photo by PH2 Dick Grant

## Intramural League basketball standings

China Lake Intramural Basketball League standings as of Tuesday, Jan. 27.

Team	Open League	Won	Lost
Loewen's No. 1	6	0	
Desert Motors	5	1	
Texas Instruments	4	2	
Homestead	2	4	
Bloodstone	2	5	
Delinquents	0	7	
Div. A — Recreation League			
Shooters	6	1	
Huff 'n' Puff	5	1	
Gas Bags	4	3	
Crusaders	2	4	
Hackers	2	4	
Lobos	0	6	
Div. B — Recreation League			
Bird Olds	6	2	
Loewen's No. 2	5	2	
Dispensary	4	3	
Lizards	2	4	
Perdejios	1	7	

## Top sailors of '75 to be guests at 7th Bluejacket of Year dinner

"It was a fabulous feeling," recalled HMC Dick Clay, the 1973 Bluejacket of the Year at NWC.

"Everything seemed to go right for me that year. I received Bluejacket of the Month recognition, won the China Lake Men's Golf Club championship, and was notified that I had been selected for the rank of Chief Petty Officer.

"Then I was singled out as the top enlisted man of the year at the IWV Council of the Navy League banquet. Knowing that a panel of Navy officers and enlisted men thought that I deserved such recognition made me feel very humble," Clay added.

The 1974 winner, AQC Ken Reichert, was transferred to Moffett Field in November 1975. He will be a special guest at the yearly banquet which will be held on Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

The Indian Wells Valley Council of the Navy League is sponsoring the seventh annual "Bluejacket of the Year" award event. A selection committee composed of Navy officers and CPOs chosen especially for this task will select the award winner from a list of seven former monthly "Bluejackets." Monthly award winners who have attained the rank of Chief Petty Officer or who have been transferred to

another duty station are not eligible for the yearly recognition.

The seven eligible enlisted men are LNI Ronnie Brown, PR2 George E. Burwick, AMS2 Jerry E. Carr, MS1 John J. Fitzpatrick, PN1 R. C. "Rocky" Manzano, DP3 Darryl B. Maresch, and HM1 Gregory R. Prater.

Four monthly "Bluejackets" have been transferred and are not eligible for the yearly honor. These sailors are ADJ1 David Fairbanks, MS1 Melito Guanga, AO2 William M. Windle III, and YN3 Martha L. Zeilke.

The Bluejacket of the Year selection committee is led by LCDr. Rhodes Harper, NAF Chaplain. Helping him to select the most outstanding sailor at China Lake during 1975 are Lt. George McFetridge, Lt. Kathy Starnes, Lt. Bill Wilson, and AMCS W. D. Hall representing NAF, and LCDr. Don Erskine, LCDr. Rod Bankson, Lt. Bud Denton, and DPC C. C. Tussey, the representatives from VX-5.

One of the factors in the selection must be the sailor's reaction under fire — his answer to questions asked him by the committee. Also important considerations are the individual's military bearing, appearance, conduct, job performance, and his supervisor's recommendation.

The winner of the 1975 Bluejacket of the Year award will be announced during the Navy League banquet on Feb. 7.

Tickets, priced at \$8 per person, can be purchased from Navy League members or from Linda Grossman in the Public Information Office, phone NWC ext. 3511.

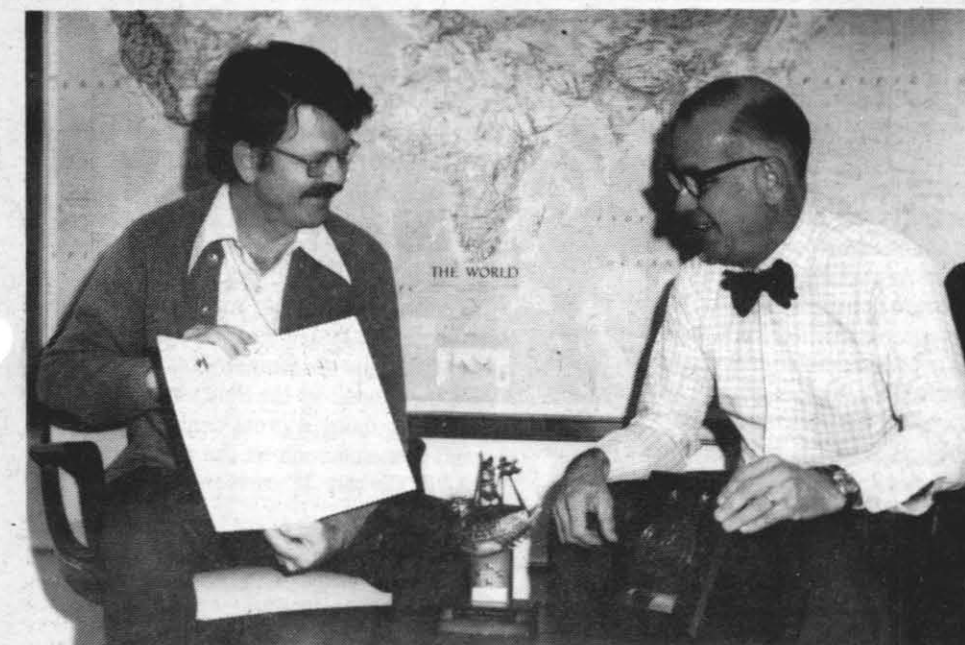
The evening will begin at 6:15 with a social hour, and dinner will be served at 7:30. Following the 8:15 awards ceremony, the San Diego Navy Band (dance combo) will play music for dancing until 1 a.m.

## Glass recycling . . .

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and equipment are in the pit for the purpose of emptying it. At such times, a "closed" sign will be prominently displayed and a chain or cable will be placed across the entry road to deny access to the glass recycling center pit.

The Recycling Center Operations Committee of the Community Council will monitor the pit and, when a satisfactory amount of glass has been collected, will contact a glass broker and make the necessary arrangements to sell it.



**LETTER OF APPRECIATION RECEIVED** — Carl Schaniel (at right), head of the Weapons Planning Group, looks with interest at a letter of appreciation that was received recently from the Chief of Naval Operations of the Republic of Korea Navy by Jim Baird, an intelligence analyst in Code 12. In the letter, Baird was praised for his "excellent service and invaluable assistance rendered to the Republic of Korea Navy, serving as a war game specialist" during May and August of 1975. At that time, Baird was serving as an "expert" for the Naval Science Assistance Program. Also in the picture are two other tokens of appreciation from the Korean Navy. They are a "turtle boat," emblem of the Korean Navy, which was given to Baird with the letter, and a plaque signed by RAdm. KIM, Sang Mo, Commander of the Republic of Korea Fleet. Baird received the plaque at the end of his first tour in Korea. —Photo by PHAN Joe Dunn

## Invitations extended for China Lake residents to participate in police Ride Along Program

Policies and procedures for the operation of a community Ride Along Program have been established by the Police Division of the Naval Weapons Center's Security Department, and an invitation is now being extended for all China Lake residents (16 years of age and over) to participate in it.

This program is intended to provide an opportunity for China Lakers to increase their understanding of the role and operations of their police officers. Additionally, it is hoped that the program will assist police officers to understand more fully the feelings of China Lake residents in regard to police service and thereby result in the improvement of this service.

While participation in the Police Division's Ride Along Program is open to individuals 16 years of age and over, parental permission is required for those under 18.

### Guidelines Set

Guidelines placed on those eligible to take part in this program include the following:

(1) Anyone who is known to have committed an act or acts in violation of the law may not be authorized to participate.

(2) Any person who because of intoxication or other physical debility is unable to participate meaningfully in the program will be excluded.

(3) Any person who, by his or her actions or demeanor reflect unfavorably upon the China Lake police or the Ride Along Program are subject to disqualification.

There is a further requirement that all female participants in this program be part of a group of two or more if assigned to accompany male officers. This requirement is waived, however, if the female participant is assigned to accompany a female police officer, or when a female resident is accompanied by a male relative as would be the case if a husband and wife, father and daughter, or brother and sister elect to participate in the Ride Along Program.

### Apply One Week Early

Those wishing to take part in the Ride Along Program are asked to report in person to the China Lake Police Station — preferably one week in advance of the date they wish to do so. On the date mutually agreed upon, participants will be assigned to accompany police officers whose duty it is to patrol the China Lake housing area.

The average Ride Along Program assignment will be 2 to 4 hours long, and

may be scheduled during the late afternoon and early evening hours, and at various times of the day or night on weekends or holidays.

In order to provide for adequate police coverage in the event of an emergency, citizen Ride Along Program passengers will be assigned to no more than 50 per cent of the Police Division's community patrol units at any one time.

### Liability Release Form Required

Prior to the start of any ride along assignment, both the layman participant and the police officer will be required to read and complete a "release from liability" form that will be filed with the watch commander. The latter has the authority to terminate a ride along assignment at any time.

During the time that China Lake residents are accompanying police officers on patrol, every effort will be made to provide them with exposure to a reasonable cross section of a police officers' work — within the limitations of existing circumstances and operational requirements. The exact nature of the police work to be observed by laymen will be left to the discretion of the patrol officer, with guidance from his watch commander.

### Safety Is Main Concern

Policemen involved as escorts in the Ride Along Program have been instructed to keep uppermost in their mind the fact that at all times the safety of the citizen and the community is of utmost concern. Therefore they must adopt reasonable precautions to insure that this is so.

In view of this, under no circumstances will a patrol officer who is accompanied by a Ride Along Program participant engage in high speed pursuit or other high speed operation of his police vehicle.

Should it be necessary for an officer to respond to an emergency call, he will first leave his passenger(s) at a place of safety and arrangements will be made as soon as practicable for transportation back to the China Lake police station.

There is nothing in the directions to be followed by patrol officers who are accompanied by passengers which precludes them from making routine traffic stops. They also may respond to emergency calls as an alternate police unit that doesn't require the operation of their vehicle under emergency (Code 3) conditions.

In addition to insuring the safety of all



**VISITORS REVIEW MISSILE PROGRAMS** — Three officials from the Office of the Deputy Director of Defense for Research and Engineering recently spent a day at the Naval Weapons Center to review the Center's current activities on such air-launched missile programs as the Sparrow AIM-7F, the Sidewinder AIM-9H / 9L, Condor, Shrike, Standard ARM and HARM. They were welcomed aboard by Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, NWC Commander, and Dr. G. L. Hollingsworth, Technical Director (at left). The visitors were (from left) William E. Stoney, Deputy DDR&E (Tactical Warfare Programs); Lt. General Walter E. Lotz, U. S. Army (Ret.), who is the Deputy DDR&E (Test and Evaluation) and (at right) Charles E. Meyers, assistant DDR&E (Air Warfare). —Photo by Ron Allen



## Car damages fire hydrant, power pole; repairs made quickly

About 6 p.m. Saturday, residents in the vicinity of Lauritsen Rd. and Halsey Ave. suddenly found themselves without electric power and confronted with rising water in the streets as a result of a single vehicle accident.

Randy Dean Harvey, 19, of 102 - B Byrnes St., a Navy aviation jet mechanic airman assigned to China Lake, apparently lost control of his vehicle which, in quick turn, struck a power pole and fire hydrant located on the south side of Halsey just west of Lauritsen.

The extremely quick response of duty personnel from the Public Works Department and Fire Division minimized the disruption in services. Both the power outage and the loss of fire main service in that area were restored in a remarkably short time, thanks to the outstanding efforts of the emergency crews at the scene. Capt. W. F. Daniel, CEC, USN, NWC Public Works Officer, who was an observer, specially noted the superb work done by the crews called to restore services.

According to the report, Harvey apparently lost control of his late model car when one of his two pet dogs riding with him interfered with his driving. This caused him to swerve to the right, straddle the curb and strike the power pole and hydrant. Immediately following the accident and apparently in a state of shock, Harvey proceeded to Bennington Plaza, then returned home.

He then proceeded to the China Lake Police Station and gave a complete report to the China Lake Police Division, approximately 35 minutes after the incident had occurred. Tests administered by the China Lake Police confirmed that Harvey was not operating his vehicle under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident, but he was charged with hit and run involving property damage and is scheduled to appear in the NWC Traffic Court at a later date.

His vehicle sustained moderate damage to the right front and side areas.

## Navy Relief course registration open

Pre-registration calls are still being taken at the Chaplain's office, NWC ext. 3506, for the Navy Relief course entitled "Everything You Always Wanted To Know About The Military, but Were Afraid To Ask."

The course is being sponsored by the Officers' Wives. Classes will be held in the Navy Relief Office (Dispensary Building) from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday through Thursday, Feb. 2 to 4. A luncheon on Thursday will conclude the program.

Vernice Putnam, from the Long Beach Navy Relief Office, will conduct the course. There is no obligation to work as a volunteer after completing it.

## Impact of times on NWC discussed . . .

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development got into an overrun condition either in costs or schedule, adjustments could be made to compensate. Today, however, one of the most difficult experiences in this business is to complete a program on or below cost, on schedule and performing as specified.

"Austere program budgets, a way of life in weapon system development today, made good financial management, and total accountability, the co-equals with system performance achievement in the acquisition of weapons and systems for the Fleet today," the Skipper emphasized.

There is abundant evidence, he stated, that failure of a program to meet "design-to-cost" criteria will bring about its cancellation.

Major weapons programs the Center is currently working on which were mentioned and described briefly by RAdm. Freeman

in his talk at the Kern County Business Outlook Conference were:

The Sidewinder AIM-9L missile, which is more maneuverable, more lethal and "smarter" than its predecessors.

The HARM anti-radiation missile — a faster, longer-ranged weapons system than its predecessor, the Shrike.

The Harpoon anti-ship missile — an extremely sophisticated weapon system with a very high one-shot capability.

Also mentioned by the Skipper is the fact that NWC is doing a great deal of work on aircraft systems such as the one found in the A-7E Corsair II carrier-based attack aircraft.

"There are more projects, of course, but this gives you a quick overview of several of the major ones," he said.

### More Work Contracted Out

Returning to the main theme of his talk, RAdm. Freeman stated that "the impact of the times also is being felt in another area. Not too many years ago, the Naval Weapons Center spent about 80 per cent of its budget in-house and only contracted out 20 per cent. Last year, we spent 44 per cent in-house and went out with about 56 per cent. In the year ahead, we will be contracting out about 60 per cent of our new work and retaining only 40 per cent."

He described this shift as "a conscious policy of the Department of Defense. I agree with it," the Center Commander added. "Installations such as NWC should do those things that it can't get done in industry, but it should go out on contract with everything that can be done by the industrial side.

"Not only does this strengthen the partnership in the development and production of weapons and systems for the Fleet, it acts as a stimulus in getting new and better ideas out into the forefront where they belong."

On the subject of new and better ideas, RAdm. Freeman then told his listeners of a concentrated effort in the field of energy that is now being made at NWC. "Because we have geothermal resources on the base, we are working with the Energy Resources Development Agency in a research project relating to the potential use of geothermal energy as an alternative source of power," he said.

### Environment Protected

The Center Commander's final comments on the impact of the times on NWC related to the fact that NWC has found itself accountable for a wide variety of environmental considerations within the more than 1,700 square miles of desert that are encompassed by the Center's boundaries.

"Not only are we careful when we conduct tests of aircraft vulnerability (a procedure requiring some good-sized fires), we have management responsibilities for the wildlife and natural resources at NWC," RAdm. Freeman pointed out. The latter includes more than 1,000 burros, 200 wild horses, some 60 bighorn sheep, a number of well-inhabited tortoise preserves, and areas where petroglyphs left by the ancient inhabitants of this area are preserved as a National Historical Landmark.

RAdm. Freeman concluded his presentation at the meeting of Kern County's business and civic leaders by expressing, at the start of this Bicentennial year, his pride in being an American.

Contrary to those he described as the "gloom and doom folks who won't lift their heads up long enough to look at the finer things this country offers," he urged everyone "to look to the positive, as this conference does. We can do anything we want if we work at it," the Center Commander emphasized.

### Social Security agent due

A representative of the Social Security office in Lancaster will pay another of her regular monthly visits to China Lake next Wednesday, Feb. 4.

Persons wishing to apply for a Social Security number or inquire about Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income can do so at the Community Center between 8:30 and 11 a.m.



**SEA CADETS GAIN VARIED EXPERIENCE** — Members of the VX-5 Sea Cadet Squadron participated in a recent weekend of training with the personnel of China Lake Detachment No. 0127 of Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 17. Shown as he took part in one of the various assignments with the Seabee Reservists is (in top photo) E2 Larry Shanteler of the Sea Cadets, while in the lower photo are two other Sea Cadets (l-r.) E3s Louis Shanteler and Tony Shepherd. Larry Shanteler was involved with Petty Officer 3rd Class Warren Kirk of the Seabee Reserves as they prepared to level a strip of ground prior to setting the forms of a sidewalk at the China Lake Nursery School, where some chain link fencing also was installed. Sea Cadets Louis Shanteler and Shepard assisted at the NAF galley where they helped to relocate an electrical conduit and hooked up junction boxes. Other Sea Cadets (not pictured) joined a crew at the mobile home park for military personnel where surveying and excavating work in preparation for pouring the concrete footings for an extension of the block wall around the park was in progress. Petty Officer Timothy Swann and E3 Anthony Klissus of the Sea Cadets assisted with this project.

—Photo by PHAN Joe Dunn

## Cooperation by tenants requested in housing survey now under way

Naval Weapons Center and higher authority directives require that the eligibility of all Center residents for assignment to all categories of Center housing be reviewed and certified annually.

The Public Works Department's Housing Division (Code 705) has mailed forms to all tenants which, when completed and returned, will provide the required certification as to present employment, grade and family size.

Since this form is one of the systems of records covered by the provision of the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, the following information is provided. The form used by the Center is covered under the title "Family Housing Requirements Survey Records Systems." Authority for the system is the Annual Military Construction Authorization Acts; Section 515, P. L. 84-161 as amended (10 U. S. C. 2674), and similar authority.

The principal purpose of the records under this system is to assist in determining the need for assignment to military family housing and to indicate the type and size of accommodation required.

As a routine matter, the information supplied is analyzed by the Housing Office of the installation and is used in connection with providing family housing accommodations.

Disclosure of information on this form is voluntary. However, non-disclosure of the information will hamper this effort or make it fruitless, leaving the Navy no recourse but to presume non-eligibility for occupancy. Disclosure of Social Security Account numbers (SSNs) is not necessary or desired.

It is requested that certification of NWC tenants as to employment, grade, family size and dependency status of household members be submitted to the head of the Housing Division no later than the close of business on Monday, Feb. 2. The cooperation of all tenants is sincerely appreciated in completing this annual survey.

If the card has not been received or there are any questions, tenants may obtain a follow-up card or other assistance by contacting the NWC Housing Office, phone ext. 2087.

# Gerald Miller ends NWC career, leaves for dept. head position at White Oak

A promotion and a move across the continent have brought to a close 17½ years at the Naval Weapons Center for Gerald O. Miller. The former associate head of the Weapons Department left China Lake on Jan. 22 to become head of the Advanced Weapons Department at the Naval Surface Weapons Center in White Oak, Md.

Miller began working at China Lake in 1958, following his graduation from the University of Missouri where he earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He began his career under the Professional Development Program for Junior Scientists and Engineers. He was assigned to what was then called the Range Design and Development Branch of the Test Department, where he remained for three years.

The young electronics engineer soon proved his abilities. He worked through the Inertial Guidance Branch of the Aeromechanics Division, Weapons Development Department, and the Shrike program to the Office of the Special Assistant to the Technical Director under H. G. Wilson and Dr. Thomas Amlie.

In August 1969, Miller joined the Harpoon

## Apply now for Rotary Foundation education awards

Applications for four different types of Rotary Foundation educational awards — a graduate fellowship, an undergraduate scholarship, a technical training award and a teaching award — are now being accepted.

According to a spokesman for the Rotary Club of China Lake, each of the more than 17,000 Rotary Clubs in the world may submit one or more candidates for these awards. The competition is then narrowed to each Rotary District.

Last year, Rotary District No. 524 (which includes the China Lake Club and 49 others) received applications from individuals who were successful in winning five educational awards, two undergraduate, two graduate and one teacher of the handicapped award.

Graduate Fellowship applicants must be between the ages of 20 and 28 and have a bachelor's degree earned prior to July, 1977. They may be married. Undergraduate Scholarship applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 24 and have completed two years of university level work by July of 1977. They may not be married. Technical Training applicants must be between the ages of 21 and 35 and must have had a position in a technical field for two years prior to application. They may be married. Graduation from a secondary school is required.

Teachers Award applicants must be between the ages of 25 and 50 and must be at least secondary school graduates. Applicants must have been a full time teacher of the mentally, physically or emotionally handicapped for at least two years at time of application. They may be married.

The closing date for applications this year for Rotary Foundation educational awards is March 15, 1976. Anyone interested in obtaining additional information or application papers can do so by calling Rotarians Stan Reynolds at 446-5880, Dan Butler at NWC ext. 3292, or Ken Robinson at 446-7475.

Two local applicants have, in the past, been among the more than 4,000 persons who have received these fully paid awards. They are Nicholas Bottka, who was a graduate fellow in 1961-62 at the University of Goettigen where he studied solid state physics; and Melinda Marsh, who won an undergraduate scholarship for the 1975-76 year and is now attending the University of Kiev. She is studying German language and literature.

Bottka is now a research physicist in the Physics Division of the NWC Research Department.

team. As program manager, he displayed management and leadership abilities that led to his promotion to the position of associate head (programs) in the Surface Missiles Department. Later, he became associate head of the Weapons Department.

In addition, his leadership and management abilities, which were displayed in an environment packed with deadlines, short schedules, and excessive pressure, brought credit and recognition to Miller from the Chief of Naval Operations and the Commander, Naval Air Systems Command, as well as from the Naval Weapons Center.

This past November, Miller was one of four topnotch Center employees who were singled out to receive Michelson Laboratories Awards.

This special honor is designed to recognize outstanding individual administrative and professional excellence, or technical excellence, based on singular effort in the performance of individual duties.

Miller's departure for White Oak, Md., was preceded by a farewell reception and dinner attended by his many friends and co-workers that was held on the evening of Jan. 21 at the Commissioned Officers' Mess.



**GERALD MILLER HONORED AT FAREWELL FETE** — Just prior to leaving China Lake for his new duties as head of the Advanced Weapons Department at the Naval Surface Weapons Center in White Oak, Md., Gerald Miller was the guest of honor at the farewell party that was held on Jan. 21 at the Commissioned Officers' Mess. As these photos show, Miller, who had been associate head of the Weapons Department at NWC, and his wife, Hazel, received a number of gifts and mementos of their years spent at China Lake. From top to bottom, the three photos on the left show Bill Porter, head of the Weapons Department (who served as master of ceremonies for the evening) presenting an album of photographs of NWC and its surrounding area to Mrs. Miller; and the presentation to Miller of an Order of the Purple Sage Certificate and a Dust Devils Certificate, which he received from Dr. G. L. Hollingsworth, NWC Technical Director, and Capt. R. D. Franke, Deputy Commander, respectively. In the photos on right (from top to bottom), Rear Admiral R. G. Freeman III, NWC Commander, is shown presenting an NWC plaque to Miller; the honored guest and his wife are looking over a comic card (not unlike the famous "Spirit of '76" drawing) that traces Miller's involvement in many NWC programs; and (in the lower photo) Miller is being handed a model of the Shrike missile by Bob Corzine, head of the Electronic Warfare Department's Radio-Frequency Development Division. Among other awards and gifts that were presented during the farewell party, but are not shown above, were a Harpoon program certificate (Order of the Rusty Shaft), a model of a GIG (an anti-ship missile that was never developed), and one of Larry Zabel's original works of metal sculpture which features replicas of bighorn sheep and Bristlecone pine trees. The latter was also a gift from the Electronic Warfare Department.

—Photos by Ron Allen

## Community Council committee member appointments made

Announcement of the appointment of members of the China Lake Community Council's board of directors who will serve on various committees and as the local civic group's representatives to other organizations was made by Wilt Wyman, president, during the council's January meeting.

The Community Council's standing committees, and their members are:

**Nominating committee** — Aletha Benson, chairman, Bob Fletcher and Don Cook.

**TV / FM committee** — Bob Fletcher, chairman, Don Stanton, Jim Reiger, Bill Hattabaugh, Dick Furstenberg, Lyle Johnson, Roy Roglin and Dick Mahan.

**Publicity and historian** — Gail Richards, chairman, Pat Leopard and Don Cook.

**Community improvements** — Aletha Benson, chairman, Rudy Shepard, Don Cook and Bob McCarten.

**Ways and means** — Bob Kauffman, chairman.

**Housing** — Dick Mahan, chairman, Jack Crawford, David Burdick, Robert McKnight, Ken Catcott, Harold Smith, Anthony Simshauser, Forest Easley, Cal Fallgatter and Jim Walden.

Those also appointed to serve as the Community Council's representatives to various boards or organizations are:

**Community Hearing Board** — Bob Fletcher and Jim Walden, members; and Dick Mahan and Bob McCarten, alternates.

**Employee Services Board** — Wilt Wyman, member; Bob Fletcher and Don Cook, alternates.

**Recreation Council** — Dick Mahan, member, and Bob Kauffman, alternate.

**Ridgecrest and Inyokern Chambers of Commerce** — Dick Mahan.

**IWV Youth Council** — Wilt Wyman, member, and Jim Walden, alternate.

**Sierra Sands Unified School District Facility Steering Committee** — Bob Fletcher.

**Bicentennial Committee** — Wilt Wyman and Bob McCarten.

**Hi-Desert Recycling Council** — Aletha Benson, Don Cook, Bob McCarten, Jim Walden, Jud Smith, Jim Fath and Bob Kauffman.

**Animal Control** — Jim Walden and Gail Richards.

## Rabbit shoot . . .

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have been imbalanced. Locally, the coyotes have been confronted with far more rabbits than they can eat, but there have been food shortages elsewhere. Because the Center coordinated the current jackrabbit control effort with state authorities, it has been possible to be of assistance by providing jackrabbit carcasses not only for birds of prey (such as the prairie falcon) who have had a tough winter, but also for a project in wildlife biology involving the feeding of injured raptorial birds being nursed back to health prior to their re-release into the wild.

### Inconvenience Regretted

Any inconvenience and unpleasantness caused Center residents living on Ticonderoga, Wasp and adjacent streets by the nocturnal firing is sincerely regretted, but there was no practical alternative nor were funds available to restore the golf course if the jackrabbits had been permitted to continue their nightly feeding on grass roots.

It is hoped that this program, which was completed this past Tuesday evening, will not have to be repeated this year, but that decision must await a two week evaluation of the results obtained to date.

Every effort has been made to maximize the safety of residents and minimize the inconvenience by having only authorized personnel from the China Lake Police Division do the actual shooting. While the shotgun firing was certainly disturbing, it was by far the most humane method available to the NWC Command.