



Memorial to Shelly Hall

Playground equipment purchased at Groves School

A fine new piece of playground equipment has been added to the recreation facilities at the Groves St. Elementary School, and two new trees were planted to augment landscaping at the school, all as part of the local community's memorial to Shelly Hall, who was a first grader at Groves School when she died this past January.

The youngster, the daughter of VX-5 Yeoman 1st Class and Mrs. Charles Hall, was a victim of aplastic anemia.

A jungle gym constructed in the shape of a steam-powered train engine was dedicated during a brief ceremony held on Wednesday morning of last week. Its purchase, as well as that of a large fruitless mulberry and an

Italian stone pine tree, were made possible by donations that amounted to slightly more than \$1,000.

Mrs. Marj Cruise, who had been Shelly's teacher, helped to start this effort, and the Groves School PTA spearheaded the fund raising activity, which was carried out under the leadership of two PTA officers — Charlotte Meeks and Diane Finder.

The dead girl's classmates started the ball rolling by letting it be known that they wished to buy something in memory of Shelly Hall, and from this grew the communitywide effort, the results of which were in evidence at last week's dedication ceremony.

Luncheons to raise money for the Shelly Hall memorial were held by the Groves School teachers and staff members. The Groves School PTA and Alpha Alpha Psi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority also contributed, and there was a bake sale conducted by Groves School staff members and the parents of students at the school



SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR — NWC Commander RAdm. W.L. Harris cut the ribbon opening the WACOM sponsored Holiday Bazaar last Friday (upper left photo). Standing beside him was Connie Bird, WACOM president, and Sue Byrd, Bazaar chairman, who also doubled as Mrs. Santa Claus, along with a local representative of St. Nick. Santa also listened to requests from local youngsters (upper right photo) to relay to the North Pole. Holiday shoppers view the items made by the Desert Flowers Chapter No. 125 of the Navy Wives Club of America (lower left picture). A total of \$15,500 was grossed by the 25 local organizations represented. —Photos by Ron Allen

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

Regular starting time — 7:30 p.m.

Program subject to change without notice.

For further information call NWC ext. 2259.

FRI. 18 NOVEMBER

"CHECKERED FLAG OR CRASH"

(93 Min.)

Susan Sarandon, Larry Hagman, Joe Don Baker

(Action Drama) Hagman, an American race promoter, is determined to organize the most spectacular off-road race ever staged. The course is set over 1,000 miles of unimaginably rough terrain in the Philippines. At stake is a \$100,000 purse. Tropical rains wash out the third leg of the course and a detour is mapped out. Racers respond enthusiastically when the race is detoured again, the purse doubled, and the race is continued. (PG)

SAT. 19 NOVEMBER

U.S. MARINE CORPS

HISTORICAL FLAG PAGEANT

1 p.m.

"GRAND THEFT AUTO" (91 Min.)

Ron Howard, Nancy Morgan

(Action Comedy) After Morgan's wealthy father objects to her plans to marry Howard, they steal his Rolls Royce and head for a Las Vegas Wedding Chapel. The girl's father offers a reward of \$25,000 for his daughter's return, and the boy's mother does the same for the return of her son. News of the rewards sets off a wild chase. Released June 77. (PG)

SUN. 20 NOVEMBER

"THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT"

(166 Min.)

John Beck, Marie-France Pisier,

Susan Sarandon

(Romantic Drama) Beck, an American flier stationed in Europe, romances naive Pisier with promises of marriage. He returns to the States where he romances Sarandon with the same line and marries her. Pisier lands a job as a model in a fashion house and begins a rapid rise to stardom as a European film actress. She meets Greek tycoon Vallone, one of the world's richest men and becomes his mistress. Pisier keeps tabs on Beck, keeping him unemployed until she convinces to hire him as her private pilot and the sparks start flying again. Released June 77. (R)

WED. 23 NOVEMBER

"ONE ON ONE" (105 Min.)

Bobby Benson, Annette O'Toole

(Romantic Drama) Benson, a small town high school basketball star receives a college basketball scholarship and is quickly oriented to his new station in life. He gets a high paying job and the beautiful O'Toole becomes his tutor. The coach decides that Benson is a substandard player and asks him to resign, but Benson refuses. The team has an excellent season, with Benson spending most of it on the bench. During the big game, Benson gets his chance to play and does a virtuoso job. Released July 77. (PG)

FRI. 25 NOVEMBER

"THE AMAZING DOBERMANS" (105 Min.)

Fred Astaire, James Franciscus,

Barbara Eden

(Action Comedy) Justice Department agent Franciscus, posing as a gambler to trap racketeer Jack Carter, deliberately loses and does not pay the debt. Carter's "collectors" corner him in the forest but he is rescued by the dobermans. Fred Astaire, who is the owner-trainer of the dobermans, reluctantly agrees to help Franciscus capture Carter. The two get a job in a circus featuring the dobermans and they set a trap for Carter. Suspense mounts as the "collectors" abduct bareback rider, Barbara Eden, Franciscus's girlfriend; the five dobermans prevent the circus payroll robbery; and Franciscus and one of the dobermans rescue Eden. (G)

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IN MEMORY OF A CHILD — Gathered together last week for the dedication of a new piece of playground equipment which was purchased in memory of Shelly Hall were all of the students at Groves School, as well as the adults shown above. They are (l.-r.) Dianne Finder, Yeoman 1st Class and Mrs. Charles Hall (parents of Shelly), Marj Cruise, the child's teacher, Charlotte Meeks, and Richard Halen, school principal. They are standing in front of the jungle gym which was purchased from funds that were raised in order to provide a memorial to the Groves School first grader who died this past January. — Photo by PH1 Robert Ziesler

Search mission aided by use of Navy helicopters

A search operation involving members of the China Lake Mountain Rescue Group, Navy helicopter crews, the Inyo County Sheriff's Posse from Bishop, and National Park Service personnel ended happily at 9:30 Monday morning when Richard Robinson, 47, from San Diego, was located in the Rae Lakes area of the Sierra Nevada — north of the town of Independence.

Robinson, who was climbing with his son on Saturday afternoon, moved on ahead because he wanted to reach the top of University Peak before dark that night. The son reported him missing when he had not returned to their camp by Sunday morning, and the search effort began.

The China Lake Mountain Rescue Group was called in by noon Sunday by the Inyo County Sheriff's Department. Operation leader Dr. Carl Heller and team members David Brown, Gene St. Denis, and Mike Walters were flown to the 12,000 ft. level on University Peak by a Navy Iroquois helicopter piloted by Lt. Col. Ben Adams, USMC. Crew members were AMS2 Kelly Hayes and AMS3 Jesus Olivera.

Dr. Heller and his team climbed to the top of University Peak that night to determine if Robinson had reached that area; they then camped at the 13,200 ft. elevation before resuming the search the next morning. A second team of CLMRG members consisting of Dr. Lee Lucas, Dianne Lucas, and Dennis Burge conferred that night with the other organizations involved to plan Monday's search.

On Monday morning CLMRG members Elizabeth Anderson, Ron Atkins, Frank Buffum and Dick Gleeson joined the group already in the Sierra. They were also joined

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Marines' ball to wind up 202nd birthday fete

The local observance of the 202nd anniversary of the nation's oldest amphibious fighting force will come to a grand and glorious conclusion tomorrow night at the Commissioned Officer's Mess, which will be the setting for the traditional Marine Corps Birthday Ball.

As a prelude to the ball, which is open by invitation only, arrangements have been made by the Marine Corps Liaison Office at

NWC to present the nationally acclaimed San Diego Marine Corps Recruit Depot's historical flag pageant at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Center theater.

Featured during the program, which is open to the public free of charge, will be 14 Marines attired in authentic uniforms depicting significant periods in this nation's history as they display the American flags that were flown during the time such uniforms were being worn.

Drum, Bugle Corps To Play
The First Marine Division's famed Drum and Bugle Corps also will be present to provide a musical accompaniment for a narration which will be presented describing events that influenced the design of each particular flag as it is paraded onto the stage at the Center theater.

Guest of honor at tomorrow night's Birthday Ball will be Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander. Two Congressional Medal of Honor winners, former 1st Lt. Richard K. Sorenson and 1st Sgt. Jimmie E. Howard, USMC (Ret.), will be distinguished guests at the gala affair. Music appropriate for such an occasion will be provided by the San Diego Recruit Depot band and the First Marine Division Drum and Bugle Corps.

First Lt. Sorenson, a native Minnesotan who now resides in Westlake Village, Calif.,



1st Sgt. Jimmie E. Howard was awarded the Medal of Honor for heroism during World War II action on Kwajalein Atoll in the Pacific.

At the time of the gallant action for which he was awarded the nation's highest decoration for valor, Sorenson was a private serving with Co. M of the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marine Division.

Act of Heroism
According to the citation which accompanied the award, and was signed by then President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Pvt. Sorenson's unit was putting up a brave defense against a particularly violent counterattack by the enemy. When he and five other Marines occupying a shell hole were endangered by a Japanese hand grenade thrown into their midst, Pvt. Sorenson unhesitatingly hurled himself upon the grenade, thereby absorbing the full impact of its explosion.

As a result of Pvt. Sorenson's gallant action, he was severely wounded, but the lives of his comrades were saved. First Sgt. Howard joined the Marine Corps in July 1950 and saw action in Korea as a forward observer for a 1st Marine Division mortar company. While serving in Korea, he was wounded twice and awarded the Silver Star Medal for heroism.

But it was 13 years later that then Gunner Sgt. Howard was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for conspicuous gallantry during night-time action

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Veterans Day observance held on Nov. 11

Veterans Day (formerly Armistice Day), was observed in traditional fashion during a program that was arranged by the Veterans' Coordinating Council of Indian Wells Valley and held at 11 a.m. last Friday, Nov. 11, at the VFW Hall in Ridgecrest.

A reminder about the origin of this patriotic occasion was included in the introductory remarks presented by Jim Donathan, a past captain of Lloyd E. Frost VFW Ship 4084, who also is chairman of the Veterans' Coordinating Council.

Donathan noted that Nov. 11, 1977, was the 59th anniversary of Armistice Day 1918 — a day remembered by some as "the end of the war that would end all wars."

"History has a way of reminding us that if we don't learn from its lessons, we will surely repeat events such as wars," Donathan said as he observed that nearly 60 years have passed since the moment when

"on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month" the guns fell silent, bringing to a close what was (until that time) the most disastrous conflict in the memory of man.

"We are gathered to honor the memory of those who served their country then," Donathan said, "and now there are more than 15 million veterans of the Second World War, plus additional millions of veterans of the Korean conflict and the war in Southeast Asia to add to the number of gallant men and women who served our country in World War I.

"Today, it is our privilege to take the time to salute all those who have shown loyalty and patriotism by their devoted service to this great country of ours," Donathan continued as a prelude to his introduction of Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander, who was the keynote speaker of the day.

The NWC Commander began by expressing appreciation to the Veterans' Coordinating Council for arranging the Veterans Day observance. He was particularly pleased, RAdm. Harris said, because the event was taking place at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11.

His father, the NWC Commander said, was a veteran of World War I, and since Armistice Day meant so much to his family, he had marched beside his dad in many parades held on the anniversary of that historic day. He was glad, RAdm. Harris continued, that henceforth in California and throughout the rest of the country there will be a return next year to observing Nov. 11 as a nationwide holiday.

The speaker noted with regret the absence of young people at the local Veterans Day program, as he recalled that he had

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VETERANS DAY CEREMONY HELD — American flags and the flags of local veterans' organizations bordered the area within which a patriotic program in observance of Veterans Day was held on Friday, Nov. 11, at the VFW Hall in Ridgecrest. Keynote speaker for the day (shown at microphone) was Rear Admiral

Harris, NWC Commander. Seated to the left of the rostrum are Col. L. A. Madera, USMC, Marine Corps Liaison Officer at NWC, and Capt. T. C. Herrmann, senior chaplain of the Naval Weapons Center, who delivered the invocation and benediction.

—Photo by Ron Allen

China Lakers' aid to CFC hits new high of \$112,078

A final tally on contributions to the Combined Federal Campaign, which closed last Friday, showed that a total of \$112,078 had been pledged. Nearly 50 percent of the military and civilian personnel on the Center participated.

Although short of the \$120,000 goal, the amount contributed is more than has been pledged in any previous year at NWC.

Organizations with more than average participation included the Laboratory Directorate, 100 percent; Weapons Planning Group, 90 percent; Fuze Dept., 78; Supply Dept. 75; Research Dept., 73; Electronic Warfare Dept., 63; Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 5, 57; Military Administration, 55; Aircraft Dept., 54; Technical Information Dept., 54; and the Office of Finance and Management, and Engineering Dept. both had 53 percent participation.



Happy Thanksgiving

From the Commander

I would like to extend to each person at the Center a personal greeting as we approach the Thanksgiving Holiday. Annually for over 300 years Americans have paused to give thanks and count their many blessings from living in this wonderful land of ours. An extra blessing this year is that our nation is at peace and is alert with strong defenses. Each of you can take pride in having made a major contribution to the peace and security we all enjoy.

Since Thanksgiving is a family holiday, I sincerely hope that you will be able to enjoy this day with your loved ones. To those of you whose duty separates you from the warmth of home and family, I extend the special thanks from a grateful nation.

For those of you who will take the highways this Holiday, I urge you to be especially diligent and to drive defensively. Besides being special to your family, each of you is vital to the smooth operation of the Center. Have a happy and safe Holiday.

Sincerely,

W. L. Harris

Tickets on sale for Thanksgiving Day dinner at Enlisted Dining Hall

A holiday treat is in store at the NWC Enlisted Dining Facility for those who would like to relax instead of going to the trouble of preparing a Thanksgiving dinner at home next Thursday.

A full course dinner, featuring both roast turkey and steamboat round as the main entree, will be served. Due to the limited seating capacity of the dining hall, there will be just four meal settings that will start at 3, 3:45, 4:30 and 5:15 p.m.

In addition to the main course, the menu will include soup and appetizers, a variety of salads and dressings, potatoes with giblet gravy, corn on the cob, green beans, apple bread stuffing, dinner rolls and breads, pumpkin pie and fruit cake for dessert, as well as beverages, nuts, candies and assorted fruits.

Thanksgiving dinner ticket sales began this past Wednesday and will be limited to the first 350 buyers, with the exception that enlisted personnel holding meal passes will not be required to obtain a ticket reservation.

The prices for others are: \$1.70 for active duty enlisted personnel; \$2.70 for officers, retired military, military dependents, civilians and guests; \$1.40 for under 12 years of age; and \$4.30 for officers and civilians on per diem.

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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. All others desiring employment with the Naval Weapons Center may contact the Employment-Wage and Classification Division, Code 092, Ext. 2049. Ads will run for one week and will close at 4:30 p.m. on the Friday following their appearance in this column, unless a later date is specified in the ad. Employees whose work history has not been brought up to date within the last six months are encouraged to file a Form 171 or 172 in their personnel jacket. Information concerning the Merit Promotion Program and the evaluation methods used in these promotional opportunities may be obtained from your Personnel Management Advisor (Code 096 or 097). Advertising positions in the Promotional Opportunities column does not preclude the use of alternate recruiting sources in filling these positions. As part of the rating process, a supervisor appraisal will be sent to the current supervisor and the most recent previous supervisor of those applicants rated as basically qualified. The Naval Weapons Center is an equal opportunity employer and selection shall be made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason. The minimum qualification requirements for all GS positions are defined in CSC Handbook X-118, while those for all WG, WL and WS positions are defined in CSC Handbook X-118C.

Supervisory Auditor, GS-510-12, PD No. 7708095, Code 087 — This position is Head, Internal Review Staff, in the Office of Finance and Management. The incumbent is responsible for planning, developing, and executing a program of internal reviews and audits of the financial and operating activities on-center and provides an independent, objective and constructive appraisal of the effectiveness, efficiency, and economy with which the financial and operating responsibilities of the Center are being administered. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to supervise; ability to analyze raw financial / management data and apply sound judgment to determine adequacy / effectiveness of the data; ability to plan, develop, and implement internal review programs; ability to make oral and written reports and presentations clearly, concisely, and effectively; ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships and to exercise good judgment.

Mess Manager, GS-1101-7, PD No. 7708092, Code 089 — This position is located in the Enlisted Men's Mess (Open) in the Special Services Division of the Office of Finance and Management. Incumbent is responsible for food and beverage operation, maintenance and preparation of accurate financial documents, maintenance and custody of records and property of the Mess, supervises all Mess personnel through a subordinate staff, procurement and inventory control of supplies and general maintenance and upkeep of the facilities. Applicants must meet the minimum approved CSC qualification standards for GS-1101-7. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Experience as a mess manager or similar restaurant operations, knowledge of bookkeeping and accounting, satisfactorily completed Mess Management School, knowledge of military protocol.

Payroll Clerk, GS-544-3 / 4, 5, PD No. 7712916, Code 084 — This position is located in the Payroll Branch, Office of Finance and Management. Incumbent performs routine research of payroll records to correct leave data; prepares changes to employee's earnings, deductions and leave factors; prepares reports on leave availability, leave transfers, and earnings statements. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of payroll / leave regs, working knowledge of computer experience and / or training which demonstrates arithmetic aptitude, ability to work under pressure.

Secretary, GS-318-4 / 5, PD No. 7508062, Code 089 — This position is located in the Special Services Division of the Office of Finance and Management. The incumbent provides the necessary secretarial services required for the efficient operation of the division. Incumbent is responsible for keeping the division head's calendar and scheduling appointments; screening and routing incoming correspondence; setting up and maintaining files; preparing correspondence; and arranging for travel. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Must be familiar with Navy correspondence format and files, ability to meet deadlines under pressure, and ability to deal with the public.

Voucher Examiner, GS-548-3 / 4, 5, PD No. 7408041, Code 0845 — This position is located in the Financial Operations Division, Office of Finance and Management. Incumbent is responsible for the preparation and / or typing of vouchers for settlement of travel claims for military and civilian personnel. Reviews and determines eligibility for payment of expenses on travel claims presented for payment. Aids claimant in preparation of itineraries. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to type desirable, ability to work rapidly and accurately, ability to research and interpret manuals and guidelines, and ability to deal tactfully with people.

File applications for the above with Tina Rockdale, Bldg. 34, Rm. 206, Ph. 2676.

Police Officer, GS-083-3 / 4, PD No. 884015 / 7484018, Code 2413 — This position is that of police officer and is located in the Police and Security Operations Division of the Safety and Security Department. The incumbent will train in all aspects of law enforcement. This training will be both of formal and informal nature. He will patrol his assigned area with a senior police officer, conduct preliminary investigations, and prepare reports. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of law enforcement methods and principles, ability to work in stress situations, ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing, ability to exercise good judgment, ability to deal tactfully with others. **Qualification requirements:** GS-4, 2 years law enforcement experience; GS-3, 1 year law enforcement experience. **Promotion potential:** GS-5.

Police Dispatcher, GS-301-2 / 3 / 4, PD No. 7584007N, Code 2413 — This position is located in the Police and Security Operations Division of the Safety and Security Department. Incumbent performs dispatching duties for the China Lake Police Division and maintains radio

communications with NWC guard posts, Fire Division, Naval Investigative Service, and off-center police agencies. He coordinates and controls radio traffic between police units; responds to requests for assistance by police units and / or notifies appropriate force, furnishes requested information to the public; or refers to appropriate authority. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to communicate clearly, both orally and in writing, demonstrated tactfulness and diplomacy, experience in radio communications, ability to work effectively in stress situations.

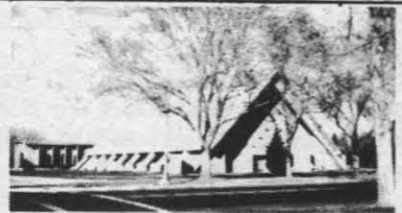
Clerk-DAT, GS-301-3 / 4, PD No. 723218N, Code 352 — This position is that of Clerk-DAT located in the Advanced Technology Branch, RF Development Division of the Electronic Warfare Department. The incumbent will type from dictating machine, rough draft or handwritten copy all types of letters, charts, memoranda, official correspondence, reports, and forms. Secondary duties will include answering phones, placing and receiving long distance calls, receiving visitors, arranging for travel, keeping timecards, sorting and distributing mail, and other office duties. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Ability to type accurately and efficiently, knowledge of Navy correspondence regulations and format, ability to work independently, observed ability to be factual and courteous, knowledge of engineering terminology. **File applications for the above with Charlotte Siewkowski, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 3118.**

Purchasing Agent, GS-1104-5 / 6, PD No. 7025011-3N / 7025012-2N, Code 2522 (2 vacancies) — These positions are located in the Purchase Branch, Procurement Division, Supply Department. Incumbent is responsible for a wide range of purchases of standard commercial items and services as well as some technical items. Quotations or offers are generally solicited by telephone. Incumbent is responsible to assure that the contract file contains adequate documentation to justify his purchase actions. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Knowledge of small purchase methods and the basic techniques of formal contracting, ability to deal with a wide variety of persons establishing and maintaining good relationships, ability to work without close supervision. **Promotion potential:** GS-7. Previous applicants need not respond.

Supply Clerk (Data Transcribing), GS-2005-4, PD No. 772505N, Code 2572 — This position is located in the Customer Service Branch, Control Division, Supply Department. The duties of the position include providing keypunch support for both the Customer Service Branch and the Stock Control Branch. The incumbent will be required to punch transceiver-type requisitions, follow-ups, cancellations, and other types of punched cards required for reporting purposes. In addition, the incumbent prepares (where required) typed requisitions both for end-use and for stock replenishment. **Job Relevant Criteria:** Keypunch experience, ability to use tact and diplomacy when dealing with others, ability to type accurately, ability to work under pressure. **File applications for the above with Ginger Hamaty, Bldg. 34, Rm. 212, Ph. 2371.**

Machined Parts Inspector, WG-3414-11, JD No. 389N, Code 3643 (2 vacancies) — This position is located in the Quality Control Branch, Engineering Prototype Division.

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DIVINE SERVICES

PROTESTANT
Sunday Worship Service 1015
Sunday School — All Ages 0900
Sunday School Classes are held in Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 4, (Dorms 5, 6, 8) located opposite the former Center Restaurant.
Communion Service first Sunday of the Month.

ECUMENICAL
Wednesday Noon Bible Study 1130
Thursday Men's Prayer Breakfast 0630

ROMAN CATHOLIC
MASS
Saturday 1700 fulfills Sunday obligation
Sunday 0700 0830 1130
Nursery, Chapel Annex 1 0815-1245
Daily except Saturday, 1135, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

CONFESSIONS
Daily 1115 to 1130
Saturday 1615 to 1645
Sunday 0800 to 0825

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Sunday First thru 6th grades 1015
Sunday Pre-school & kindergarten 1115
Sunday seventh & eighth (Junior High) 1900
Above classes are held in the Chapel Annexes across from the former Center Restaurant.
Sunday evening Ninth thru 12th grades
As announced "In Home" Discussion Groups
Youth Rallies

Contact Chaplain's Office for specifics.
JEWISH SERVICES
EAST WING — ALL FAITH CHAPEL
Sabbath Services every Friday 1930
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CHAPEL ANNEX 95
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"No, lady, you cannot establish a charge account here."

China Lake Men's Golf Club to hold election of officers

A general meeting of the China Lake Men's Golf Club, called for the purpose of electing new officers, will be held on Saturday, starting at 8 a.m., at the golf course clubhouse.

Offices to be filled, according to Mike Sanitate, the current president, are those of president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary and director. The golf course will be closed to play tomorrow until after this business meeting has been held.

Following the election, a turkey shoot is scheduled to get under way. There is a \$2 entry fee and golfers will be placed in flights based on their established handicaps.

Entries will be accepted right up until the start of the turkey shoot, which has been so named because one out of every four players entered will be the winner of a 10-12 lb. turkey.

Signups continue for Youth Center basketball teams

Registration of young people 7½ years of age through the 12th grade in high school who are interested in playing on Youth Center basketball teams this winter began last Friday and will continue through Nov. 30.

To be eligible to participate, membership in the Youth Center (which costs \$6 per year) is required, and there is an additional registration fee of \$8 per player for basketball.

Signups are being handled at the Youth Center on weekdays between 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. and from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Tryouts, the rating of players based on playing ability, and the formation of teams will take place during the first two weeks in December. The regular season will begin during the first week in January.

Anyone interested in coaching a Youth Center basketball team or officiating at the games is asked to call NWC ext. 2909 prior to the tryouts.

Self defense class for women offered

In response to a request expressed by individuals involved in the Federal Women's Program, a self defense class for women is now being offered at the Youth Center gym.

The class, which will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays until Dec. 15, is being held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and attendees are urged to bring their lunch with them.

Nancy Webster is the instructor of this course, which is being presented by means of films, speakers and practice in putting the lessons learned into use. Purpose of the class is to teach women methods of avoiding danger and also how to fight back if their life or health is threatened.

There is a \$12 fee to cover expenses of the course.

Youth soccer . . .

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reach of the Atoms' goalkeeper for another tally. The third goal for the Cosmos was scored at close range by Tommy Rindt, with the assistance of E. A. Cruise, who had worked the ball into scoring position.

After the Cosmos saw their 3-0 lead melt to 3-2 in the game's final moments, a blast by Rich Moreno of the Atoms hit the left goalpost and bounced harmlessly back onto the playing field and the Atoms were denied a score that would have tied the game.

Doug's Corner . . .

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Enrollment and collection of the \$10 fee will be handled at the first class session on Monday, according to Nancy Branch, the instructor.

Gym To Be Open Nov. 24
On Thanksgiving Day, next Thursday, Nov. 24, the Naval Weapons Center gym will be open for use by holders of athletic association cards from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Employee in the Spotlight

"The worst injuries that I've ever received occurred when a filing cabinet fell on me while I was sitting taking calls at the Public Works trouble desk," says Homer J. Witwer, Jr., a shop planner in the Public Works Department.

What makes that such a startling statement is that Homer has spent five years racing cars ("raced that long, still have all my teeth, and was never on my head"), has been a pilot since 1946 with 2,000 air hours in small aircraft, and even spent a period of time sky-diving as a hobby.

Indeed, he's really into airborne hobbies. Twenty years after he first learned to fly in 1946, he built his first airplane. That was a two-place, high wing monoplane, built from scratch. It was so successful that in 1975 he built a little yellow single-place biplane. This one he acquired partially built with no plans for its completion, so he had to do all the stress analysis work on it himself.

Getting License No Problem
A compliment to Homer's skill is that he had no trouble in getting it licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration, and he is still flying both aircraft.

Some of these skills probably date from an early job in his native Indiana when he worked as an aircraft mechanic while he learned to fly, and from his job at K Field in Joshua Tree, Calif., where he worked for an



Homer J. Witwer, Jr.

AEA shop on fabric covered planes. Homer was born in Monroeville, Ind., and finished high school in Hoagland, Ind., prior to joining the Marine Corps in 1948. Of the five years that he spent in the Marines, he was stationed for 4½ years at the Marine Corps Supply Center (now the Marine Corps Logistic Support Base, Pacific). This did

Burros lose season finale to Hart . . .

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15. A setback to the Hart High 26 due to a penalty momentarily stalled the Burros' offense, but Pinchem got the call on a draw play and scooted into the end zone from the 26. The try for the PAT on a kick missed the mark, and it was a 13-13 ball game.

The Hart High eleven, fired up by an outside chance to get into the CIF post-season playoffs, once again called on the pass throwing ability of quarterback Greeley, who moved his team 61 yds. to score before the halftime intermission. Two pass completions to McKinney — the second one which moved the ball all the way to the Burros' 5-yd. line, set the stage for a quarterback keeper by Greeley, who tallied from the 5.

The Indians then picked up an extra 2 points after the TD on a run by Jerry Meinhart to make the score 21-13 in favor of Hart at the half.

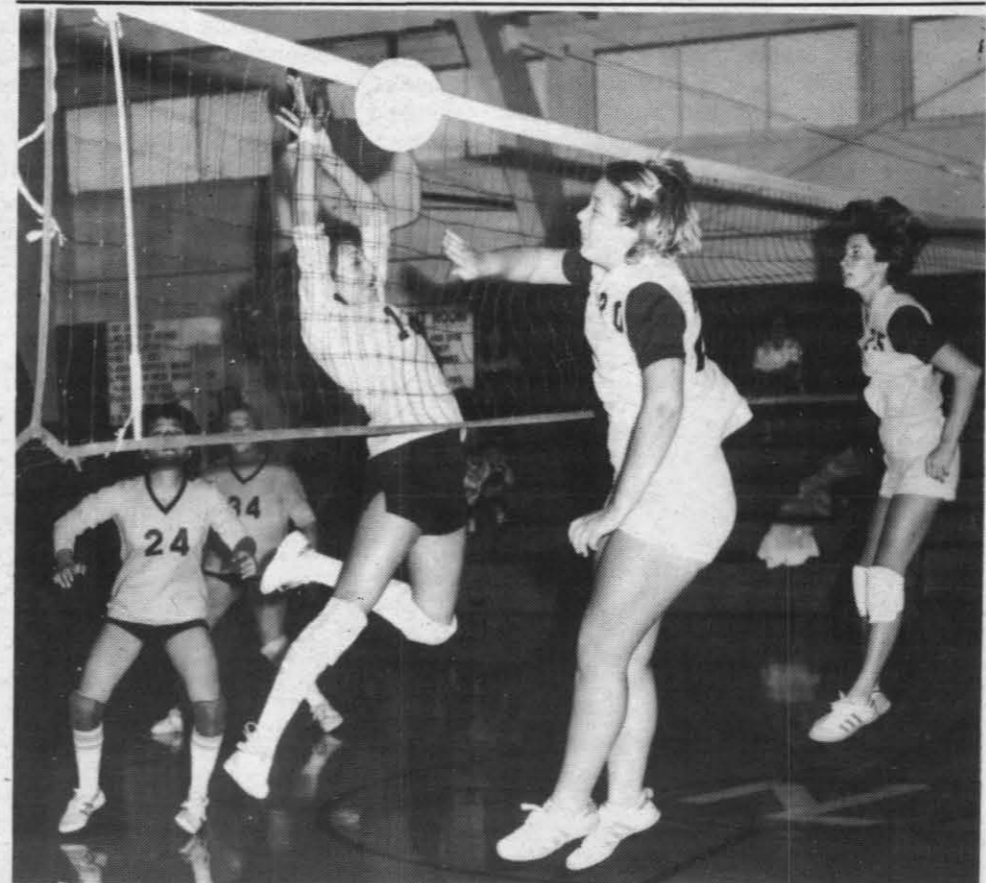
When the see-saw battle resumed in the third period, a fumble recovery by the BHS eleven on the Hart 41 opened the way for the

local high school eleven's third tally of the game. Pinchem and Furstenberg picked up enough yardage for a first down on the Hart 30, and Furstenberg then broke loose for 19 yds. to the Indians' 11 yd. line.

Three plays later, the BHS quarterback again kept the ball and plunged over from the 4-yd. line for a touchdown. A try to run the ball over for 2 extra points that would have tied the score failed.

Furstenberg's tally came just halfway through the third period and the score remained at 21-19 in favor of Hart until the Indians' halted the Burros' offense in the closing moments of the fourth quarter and, taking over on the Green and White 26 yd. line, punched across the final tally of the game.

Meinhart powered his way for 11 yds. to the BHS 15, Ingram raced to the 1 on a sweep, and then tallied on the next play. The final score came with just 26 sec. left to play in the game, and Boyle booted the PAT to give the Indians their final margin of victory by a score of 28-19.



WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL ACTION — In their final regular season match, played Tuesday afternoon at the Center gym, the Cerro Coso Community College's women's volleyball team was defeated two games to zero by the visitors from Victor Valley College. As this photo was taken, Cyndi Del Gadillo (at left) of the Cerro Coso Coyotes, had leaped up to block a return shot by Karen Hahs (nearest camera) of Victor Valley. At right is Tracy Thompson, another player for the visitors. In its first year of competition under the direction of Coach Diane Brown, the Cerro Coso team compiled a season record of four wins and eight losses.

have a definite benefit, however, in that it was at Barstow that he met his wife, Joan, who is a native of Newberry, just east of Barstow.

When he got out of the Marine Corps, they both moved back to Indiana, but within a few months moved west once more ("and by now I don't think you could pry Joan out of the desert with a crowbar," says her husband.)

Held Variety of Jobs

Homer's various jobs took him throughout this general area, ranging from being a hydrogeneration mechanic at Plant 4 at Bishop Creek for the California Electric Power and Southern California Edison Co. ("Marvelous place! Spent my spare time fishing and sky-diving."), to being a deputy sheriff for San Bernardino County, and working at the Twenty-nine Palms Marine Corps Base before he came to China Lake in 1969.

His jobs didn't take him nearly as many places as his off-duty public service activities have. He's been a deputy sheriff with San Bernardino County as well as a special deputy sheriff with Inyo County. In addition, from 1962 to 1971 he was an active member of the Civil Air Patrol. In fact, he earned his observer's wings with the CAP on his first mission in 1962, when, on a 14-hour flight to Ely, Nev., he and his pilot located an aircraft that had been missing for a year and a half. Shortly thereafter, he also received his pilot's wings with the CAP.

Mountain search flying is particularly interesting, he says, because while "you've got to know what you are doing, you sure get to see a lot."

Since 1972, Homer has been involved in search activities as a member of the Indian Wells Valley Search and Rescue Team.

Enjoys Motorcycle Trips

Joan shares Homer's love for motion to the extent that she likes to go on motorcycle trips with a sidecar. ("I do the driving and she does the yelling," her husband says.)

The couple have four children — Cheryl, 24; Robert, 22; Diane, 20; and Richard, 13 — and four grandchildren ("four, going on five, is more accurate," says Homer. "There's another on the way.")

He sums up his life so far with "It's sure been interesting, and I've learned a lot," but he's looking forward to learning still more new and interesting things.

"Going to take up Americana oil painting," he says, "as soon as I have the time. Maybe when I get old."

But with the active life he leads and his enthusiasm for living, getting old will be a long time in the future for Homer.

New books listed at Center Library

A complete list of new books is available in the Center library. Library hours are: Monday thru Friday: 1-9 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday: 12-4 p.m.

Centerites are reminded that all employees or military personnel, regardless of their place of residence, are welcome to use the Center library.

FICTION

Jeffrey Archer — Shall We Tell the President?
Charity Blackstock — The Shirt Front.
Taylor Caldwell — I, Judas.
John Le Carre — The Honourable Schoolboy.
Irwin Shaw — Beggarman, Thief

NON-FICTION

Han Suyin — Lhasa, the Open City.
James Herriot — All Things Wise and Wonderful.
Frances M. Lappe — Food First; Beyond the Myth of Scarcity.
William L. McKinlay — Karluk; The Great Untold Story of Arctic Exploration.
Carl Sagan — The Dragons of Eden; Speculations on the Evolution of Human Intelligence.

Soccer Club's adult team loses by score of 1-0 to Edwards

The China Lake Soccer Club's adult team lost a close, low-scoring game to Edwards Air Force Base in a contest played last Saturday at Edwards.

The final score was 1-0, with the only goal of the game coming after an Edwards corner kick in the second half. Ted Martin, of the Edwards AFB team, was able to hit a short hopper into the near side of the China Lake Team's net.

The loss was something of an upset, due to the fact that the China Lakers had outscored their counterparts from Edwards on four previous occasions this season. The team which represented China Lake last Saturday was far from full strength, however, since camping, hunting, biking and the flu bug had made heavy inroads into the team roster for this game.

The next competition coming up for the adult team of the China Lake Soccer Club is scheduled at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, at Davidove field, followed by a tournament at Edwards AFB on Dec. 10 that will be entered by a team from Lancaster, perhaps George AFB, China Lake and the host squad.

Tryout session for IWV swim team to be held on Tuesday

Under the direction of a new head coach, Diane Brown, practice sessions have been started for the Indian Wells Valley swim team's 19th season, and are being held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 3:45 to 6 p.m., at the Center's indoor swimming pool.

Any youngsters from 16 through 18 years of age who missed earlier tryouts are welcome and encouraged to attend another tryout session that will be held on Tuesday from 4 to 6 p.m.

In order to join the team, it is necessary to know how to swim. Those selected for membership on the team also must obtain a membership card entitling them to use of the swimming pool, pay a \$5 registration fee, in addition to swim team dues of \$5 per month.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Don Featherston after working hours at 375-7610.

Final games slated tomorrow in Youth Center Soccer League

Final games of the season in the Youth Center Soccer League are scheduled tomorrow morning, starting at 9 o'clock, at Davidove Field.

Leading off the action will be a game between the Spirits, who have clinched first place in the Pacific Division, and the Apollos, who are in third place.

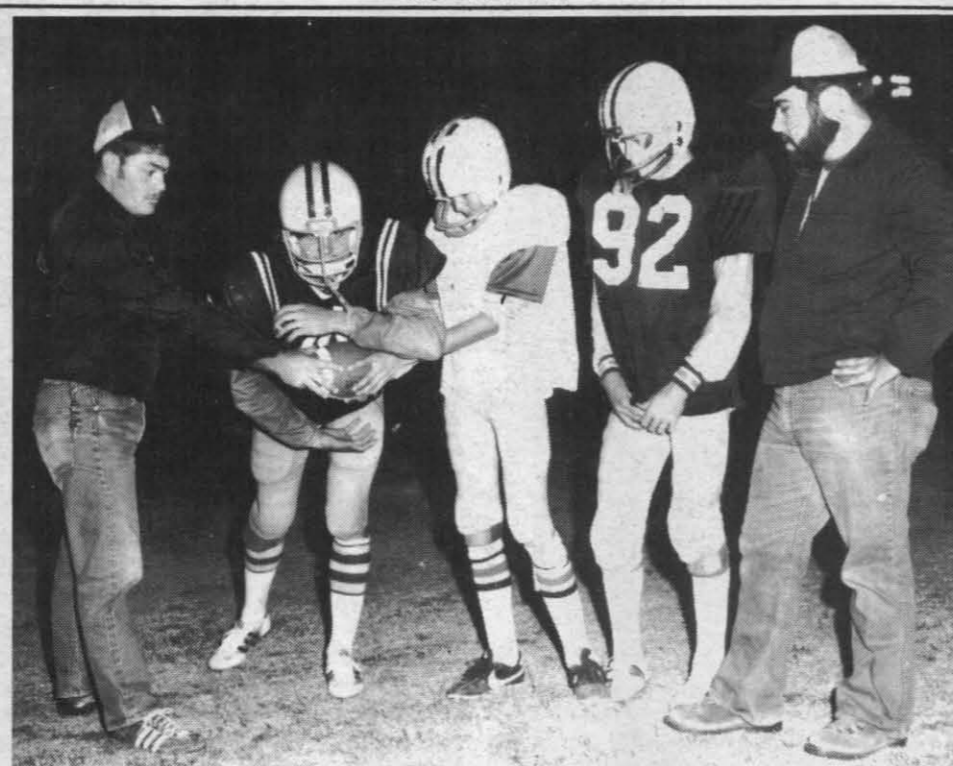
This contest will be followed at 10 a.m. by another Pacific Division game between the Cobras and Comets, and, starting at 11:30 a.m., the Atoms and Cosmos of the American Division will face off against one another. A win by the Cosmos could earn them a tie for the division title.

Offensive action overshadowed the defense in last Saturday's Youth Center Soccer League games as a total of 11 goals were scored in the three games that were played.

In the Pacific Division (for second through fourth graders), the surging Comets shut out the Apollos, 2-0 while the Spirits came from behind to tie the Cobras, 2-2. The lone American Division contest (for youngsters in the fifth and sixth grades) was won by the Cosmos, 3-2, over the Atoms.

The Comets were led by Doug Dragovich, who scored both goals in his team's 2-0 win over the Apollos. The victory enabled the Comets to move into second place in the Pacific Division. Brian Hayes was the outstanding player on defense for the Comets.

As they have done repeatedly throughout the season, the Spirits rallied in the closing



YOUTH FOOTBALL SEASON ENDS — During the past season of Indian Wells Valley Youth Football League action, two enlisted men from Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5) have been among a sizable number of adults whose volunteer efforts have made it possible for the youth football program to grow and prosper. Two of the assistant coaches for the Raiders are AMS2 Barney Prow (at left) and AE3 Larry Blair (on right). In preparation for their final game of the season against another Ridgecrest team (the Giants), the two assistant coaches are shown working with (l.-r.) fullback Antonio Dobbins, quarterback Scott Hersley and tailback Duane Thomas. This is their third year that AMS2 Prow, who played football at schools in Ponca City, Okla., has been involved in the IWV Youth Football League program. AE3 Blair, of Louisville, Ky., played football there for Butler High. This was his second season as a Youth Football League assistant coach. Local teams, the Raiders and the Giants, compete against their counterparts from Trona, Boron, Mojave, Tehachapi and Kernville. In a hard-fought game last Saturday, the Raiders lost to the Giants by a score of 12-6 in the season finale. — Photo by Ron Allen

Burros varsity gridders lose season finale to Hart High Indians, 28-19

Burroughs High School's varsity football team, playing its final game of the 1977 season in the newly organized Golden League, came out on the short end of a 28-19 score last Friday night in a matchup with the Hart High School Indians of Newhall.

The College of the Canyons athletic field provided the setting for this fourth straight league loss by the Burros; who were trailing by just 2 points (21-19), when they turned the ball over to the Indians with 1:30 left to play in the final quarter.

In what turned out to be a hard fought game on the part of both teams, Barry Pinchem, stellar running back for the Burros, electrified the crowd by returning the game-opening kickoff 74 yds. for a touchdown. Scott Cary kicked the PAT and the Burros were off to a 7-0 lead with only a few seconds of playing time having elapsed in the first quarter.

The Indians retaliated by putting together a touchdown drive which began with 4 min. left to play in the first period. The Hart High eleven called on its ace running back, Charles Ingram, to move the ball from the Hart 28 out to the 44 in two running plays. Quarterback Ray Greeley then connected with Jeff McKinley, his favorite pass-receiving target, for a gain of 29 yds. and a first down on the BHS 27.

Another running play, this time with Dan Hessel carrying the ball, picked up the final 27 yds. to paydirt and, with the PAT on a kick by Todd Boyle, the game was tied at 7-7.

The second quarter opened with a bad break for the Burros, who lost the ball on a fumbled punt and had a 15 yd. penalty tacked on against them that moved the ball to the BHS 27 yd. line. This unfortunate turn of events was followed on the very next play by a touchdown pass from quarterback Greeley to McKinley. This 6 points (the try for the PAT was blocked), gave the Indians a lead of 13-7.

A determined Burroughs High team then showed its mettle by stopping a fourth down and short yardage play by the Indians on their own 36, and with the ball in good field position marched in for a tally that tied the score at 13-13 with 2½ min. left to play in the half.

After two running plays by Mark Gritton and Pinchem gained 7 yds., a pass from Furstenberg to Rob Tomaras was good for 14 yds. more and a first down on the Indians' (Continued on Page 7)

Kirsten Haaland led the way in the scoring department for the Cosmos as she first rolled the ball into the Atoms' net, and then neatly headed the ball beyond the (Continued on Page 7)



Doug's Corner

L.A. Dodgers' basketball team to play here Dec. 7

A basketball team composed of members of the National League Champion Los Angeles Dodgers baseball squad will travel here for an exhibition contest on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 7, at the Burroughs High School gym.

In this exhibition tilt, the Dodgers' opponents will be a team composed of Burroughs High physical education instructors and coaches, as well as players from the NWC Intramural Basketball League.

Proceeds from the sale of tickets, priced at \$3 each, will be used to help improve athletic facilities at Burroughs High School. Tickets can be purchased now from members of the IWV Century Football Association, co-sponsors of the Dodgers' basketball game with the NWC Special Services Division.

They also are on sale at the Hucek Travel Agency and at the Hideaway in Ridgecrest, and at the China Lake Community Center.

Included on the Dodgers' basketball team will be at least five of the following well-known baseball players: Steve Yeager, Ron Cey, Steve Garvey, Davey Lopes, Don Sutton, Tommy John, Rick Rhoden, Glenn Burke, Lee Lacey, Dusty Baker and Reggie Smith.

Racketball Tourney Slated

Next Wednesday, Nov. 23, is the deadline to register and pay the \$2 entry fee for a double elimination racketball tournament that will be held at the NWC courts from Friday, Dec. 2, through Sunday, Dec. 4.

Entrants will be placed in one of three divisions — advanced, intermediate or novice — depending upon their playing ability, and the winners in each division will receive trophies for their efforts.

Those interested in competing in the racketball tournament can sign up at the gym between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Exercise Class for Women

A new water exercise class for women will begin at 3:30 p.m. Monday at the Center gymnasium's indoor swimming pool.

There is a fee of \$10 per person for the series of 10 classes that will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Pre-registration is not necessary. (Continued on Page 7)

Over-Hill Track Club plans turkey trot next Thursday

The annual Over The Hill Track Club's Turkey Trot will again be held (appropriately) on Thanksgiving morning, with the starting point of the 3-mile dirt road run being the Cerro Coso College parking lot.

Signups for the race begin at 9 a.m. with the run itself scheduled for 10.

Awards will be presented to those who turn in the fastest time, and there also will be age-group awards, with the big prize being a turkey and merchandise prizes. Every runner has a realistic chance to win, since the final winner is determined by drawing a blind handicap time after the completion of the race, which time is then subtracted from the elapsed time of each of the runners.

Entry fee for the Turkey Trot is \$1 per person. Runners do not have to be OTHTC members.

DP2 Michael Jennings selected as Sailor of Month by VX-5

Michael N. Jennings, a data processing technician 2nd class, has been chosen as the Sailor of the Month for October by Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five.

According to Capt. L. E. Giuliani, DP2 Jennings says that he enlisted in the Navy 6½ years ago shortly after graduation from Riverside High School in Spokane, Wash., because "In the Navy you can get excellent vocational training plus travel as well. I chose data processing," adds October's Sailor of the Month, "because it is

challenging and rewarding in that you can make the job a whole lot easier for many people by using the computer properly."

DP2 Jennings developed a data storage and selective retrieval system which has provided operational test directors with the means to obtain highly specific information in a timely manner.

Capt. Giuliani adds in a letter of commendation to DP2 Jennings that "through your personal initiative and diligence, you designed and programmed several computer software systems which have

All missing gov't property must be reported to CNO

In accordance with SECNAVINST 5500.4C, all missing, lost, stolen or recovered government property must be reported to the Chief of Naval Operations.

This pertains to all serialized government property items and all other unserialized government property considered to be "sensitive items," irrespective of the actual or estimated value of the property item.

If an item is suspected to be missing, lost or stolen, it is important to make a report of the matter immediately by calling the Police and Security Operations Division, Code 24, phone NWC ext. 2325.

If initial investigation by police officers confirms that the item cannot be located and wasn't misappropriated by another Code whose personnel temporarily borrowed it without notification or approval, a report by naval message must be sent to the CNO with an information copy to the Chief of Naval Material and the Naval Weapons Supply Center.

Depending on value, type or circumstances, etc., official investigation will be conducted by the China Lake Police, the Naval Intelligence Service or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If the item is later located, a naval message must be sent indicating that the investigation has been closed.

Most facilities to be closed on Thanksgiving Day

Most facilities on the Naval Weapons Center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, next Thursday, Nov. 24.

Special Service activities that will be open are the golf course, bowling alley, and gymnasium.

Hours of operation at the golf course are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., while the gymnasium will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 in the evening. The indoor swimming pool will not be open. Hall Memorial Lanes will maintain holiday hours of 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

All other business and recreational facilities, including the Navy Exchange stores, Package Store, Toyland, Commissary Store, snack bars and all activities of the Employee Services Board will be closed in observance of the holiday.



MARINES' 202nd BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED—Col. L. A. Madera, Marine Corps Liaison Officer at NWC, used a Mameluke sword to cut a cake baked especially for a luncheon held on Nov. 10 at the Commissioned Officers' Mess to celebrate the 202nd anniversary of the founding of the Marine Corps. Looking on are Maj. W. E. Egen (at left) and Lt. Col. A. B. Adams, both from the Marine Liaison Office. In keeping with tradition, the first and second slices of the cake were presented to the oldest and youngest Marines in attendance. They were Maj. Ingold H. Schermerhorn, USMC (Ret.), who is 78 years old, and 29-year-old Gunnery Sgt. Rick Baldwin. The Marine Corps birthday celebration began with Marines conducting the morning flag raising ceremony on Nov. 10 and included an ecumenical religious service prior to the luncheon. —Photo by Ron Allen

Marines to hold Birthday Ball . . .

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in Quang Tin Province in Vietnam on June 16, 1966.

Until he receive leg wounds that incapacitated him, G/Sgt. (later 1st Sgt.) Howard directed operations of an 18 man platoon against a numerically superior enemy force. After being wounded, he distributed his ammunition to the remaining members of his platoon and spent the rest of his time directing aircraft and artillery strikes on enemy positions.

When rescue helicopters were sent at dawn to G/Sgt. Howard's position, he called them off and directed additional air

strikes and small arms fire on the enemy until a safe landing area was clear.

Observance of the 202nd anniversary of the Marine Corps on board the Naval Weapons Center began with a flag-raising ceremony in front of the Administration Building at 8 a.m. on Nov. 10, followed by an ecumenical religious service at the All Faith Chapel at 11 a.m.

At 12:30 p.m. on Nov. 10, Col. L. A. Madera, head of the Marine Corps Liaison Office at NWC, officiated at a traditional birthday cake cutting luncheon for invited guests at the Commissioned Officers Mess.

Veterans Day observance held . . .

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learned a lot about what this country stands for, as well as about the right to freedom and the privileges and responsibilities this right entails by participating as a young boy in patriotic observances on the Fourth of July and Armistice Day.

"Most of you here today have stood up to the responsibilities of living in a free country by answering the call to serve your country," the NWC Commander noted. "You might think back today on why you did that," he said, and suggested that most likely something in an individual's upbringing and training caused him to want to serve and defend his country.

Heritage at Roof of Decision

He had thought about this, RAdm. Harris said, before he joined the group assembled to observe Veterans Day, and came to the conclusion that his own desire to volunteer for service in the Navy at the age of 17 during World War II was rooted in the heritage which was passed along to him as a boy in a little town in Missouri.

"When the chips are down, we must be prepared to pay the price for freedom. Sometimes it is the loss of life or limb, or giving up a lot of your own freedom to fight for the freedom of our country," RAdm. Harris stated.

Veterans Day, the speaker continued, is more than a time to honor those who have served in the past; it also is a time to help revitalize, instill, and call attention to the

Hiker rescued . . .

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by the Navy Iroquois SAR helicopter piloted by LCdr. Dale Haan, with co-pilot LCdr. Larry Crume, and crew members AT1 Richard Holmes and AMEAN Miles Ernst.

The missing climber was spotted by ranger Alder Nash, who was flying in a National Park Service helicopter. He was picked up and returned to the base operations area without further incident.

responsibilities of citizens living in a free nation.

In conclusion, he suggested that every effort be made to instill in the young people of this and future generations the real reason for celebrating Veterans Day. "It's very important to all of us," the NWC Commander emphasized as he closed by once again thanking the Veterans' Coordinating Council for inviting him to be present and for arranging such a patriotic celebration.

The Veterans Day observance began with presentation of the colors by the color guard from the Naval Weapons Center's Sidewinder drill team, the pledge of allegiance to the flag, and the invocation delivered by Capt. T. C. Herrmann, the NWC senior chaplain.

The benediction by Chaplain Herrmann and a 21-gun salute by a firing squad composed of members of the drill team concluded the program, which was followed by a buffet luncheon served in the VFW Hall.



21-GUN SALUTE FIRED—A firing squad under the direction of SH2 Arthur Lloyd and composed of members of the NWC Sidewinder drill team, fired a 21-gun salute in honor of this nation's war dead as a conclusion to the Veterans Day program.



DP2 Michael N. Jennings

materially aided both the Projects Department and the Operations Department."

A native of Corning, Calif., DP2 Jennings grew up near Spokane, where he met his wife, LuAnne. They have one son, Christopher, who is 18 months old and are expecting another child in January.

He and his wife enjoy camping, and learned to water ski after coming to China Lake 2½ years ago. DP2 Jennings also likes riding his dirt bike, and is an HO scale model train enthusiast.

For his selection as Sailor of the Month DP2 Jennings will receive a 96-hr. liberty pass and a free dinner for two at The Shuttle.

Ministerial group plans Thanksgiving service on Sunday

A community Thanksgiving service, arranged by the Indian Wells Valley Ministerial Fellowship, will be held Sunday evening, starting at 7 o'clock, at the Naval Weapons Center's All Faith Chapel.

The Rev. Jack Hawthorne, pastor of the Church of the Nazarene in Ridgecrest, will deliver the sermon, and the combined choirs from participating churches, directed by Mrs. Fairy Hawthorne and accompanied by Ray Blume, chapel organist, will sing two selections "Harvest Carol" and "Thanks Be to Thee."

Congregational singing is to be led by Pastor Herb Schneidau of the Ridgecrest Foursquare Church.

Included among the leaders from other churches in the local area who will have a part in this community Thanksgiving service are Bert Niccum, an elder from the Ridgecrest Church of Christ, who will give the invocation, followed by the call to worship from Al Federico, of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, and a welcome by Capt. T. C. Herrmann, senior chaplain of the Naval Weapons Center.

The offertory prayer will be spoken by Ray Williams, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Ridgecrest; the congregation will be led in prayer by Mickey McDowell, youth pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church, and there is to be a sermonette based on the Book of Isaiah, Chapter 12, which will be presented by the Rev. John Forney, minister of the United Methodist Church in Ridgecrest.

Results of Incentive Awards Program reported

Results of the Naval Weapons Center's Incentive Awards Program for the period from Oct. 1, 1976, through Sept. 30, 1977, were made available recently by the NWC Personnel Department.

The various categories of awards covered in this report are Beneficial Suggestions, inventions, Superior Achievements (mostly group awards), Sustained Superior Performance and Outstanding Performance Awards.

A total of 180 Beneficial Suggestions were submitted, of which 44 were adopted that resulted in tangible savings of \$53,803 during the first year of their use. Center

employees received \$2,095 for their Beneficial Suggestions.

In the field of inventions, a total of 148 patents were granted during the past fiscal year to employees whose ingenuity netted them \$40,500 in awards, while \$41,944 was divided among the recipients of Superior Achievement Awards.

Additionally, 175 employees who were presented Sustained Superior Performance Awards pocketed \$67,833 for their exceptional efforts.

The various awards presented, and the names of the recipients (by department) were as follows:

E. Woods, Michael A. Caponegro, Roy H. Birkhead, Ronald J. Cohn, Thomas O'Neill, Louis G. Shanteier, Virgil E. Thomas, Kenneth L. Trieu, Gary A. Ozunas, John J. Murphy, Jr., Douglas M. Turner, Curtis A. Hamilton, John D. Cameron, Ronald D. Lane and Wayne H. Tanaka.

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