

WACOM Spring Fling dinner, dance slated

The WACOM Spring Fling semi-formal dinner dance will be held tomorrow night at the COM with a social hour beginning at 7 and dinner at 8.

Members of the COM may still purchase tickets, which are priced at \$15 a couple, by calling Jeanne Davis at 446-2288 or Gunilla Giegerich at 375-5970.

The Ed Frezza band, a local 4-piece group which features Mrs. Frezza as vocalist, will entertain by playing its renditions of popular rock and country music.

The menu will include ham with fruit sauce or turkey with dressing, spinach salad, green beans with mushrooms and almonds, stuffed potato, and ice cream for dessert.

Reserved for WACOM

The COM will not offer regular dinner service Saturday night because of the WACOM dinner-dance.

The Commissioned Officers' Mess once again will feature "diners' night" this evening from 6 to 10. The varied menu that will be available includes prime rib of beef, turf and surf, broiled whole lobster, and crab legs and claws.

Spaghetti Special

Next Thursday night, April 13, will be "Italian Night" at the COM with all the spaghetti you can eat at \$1.75 per plate for adults and \$1 each for children.

Appearing nightly for the listening pleasure of COM patrons is George French at his Lawry organ.

Rock music group from Los Angeles to play at EM Club

The EM Club has arranged for the appearance of the "A C Flyers," a 5-piece rock band from Los Angeles, for the listening and dancing pleasure of patrons tonight and tomorrow from 9 to 1:30 a.m. There will be a service charge of 50 cents per person.

The EM dining facilities are open for lunch Monday through Friday from 11 to 1 serving hot sandwiches from the grill and daily specials. Dinners are served on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday nights from 6 to 8.

Memberships in the EM Club are now available to civilian personnel who are at the GS-4 level or below.

The EM Club will host a "50's Night" dance on Friday, April 14, beginning at 9 p.m. with prizes given for the best dancers and the best costumes of the 1950s.

Eight youths to be featured during orchestra concert Sunday at college

Eight Indian Wells Valley youths will perform during the annual Cerro Coso/Desert Community Orchestra Concert on Sunday at 3 p.m.

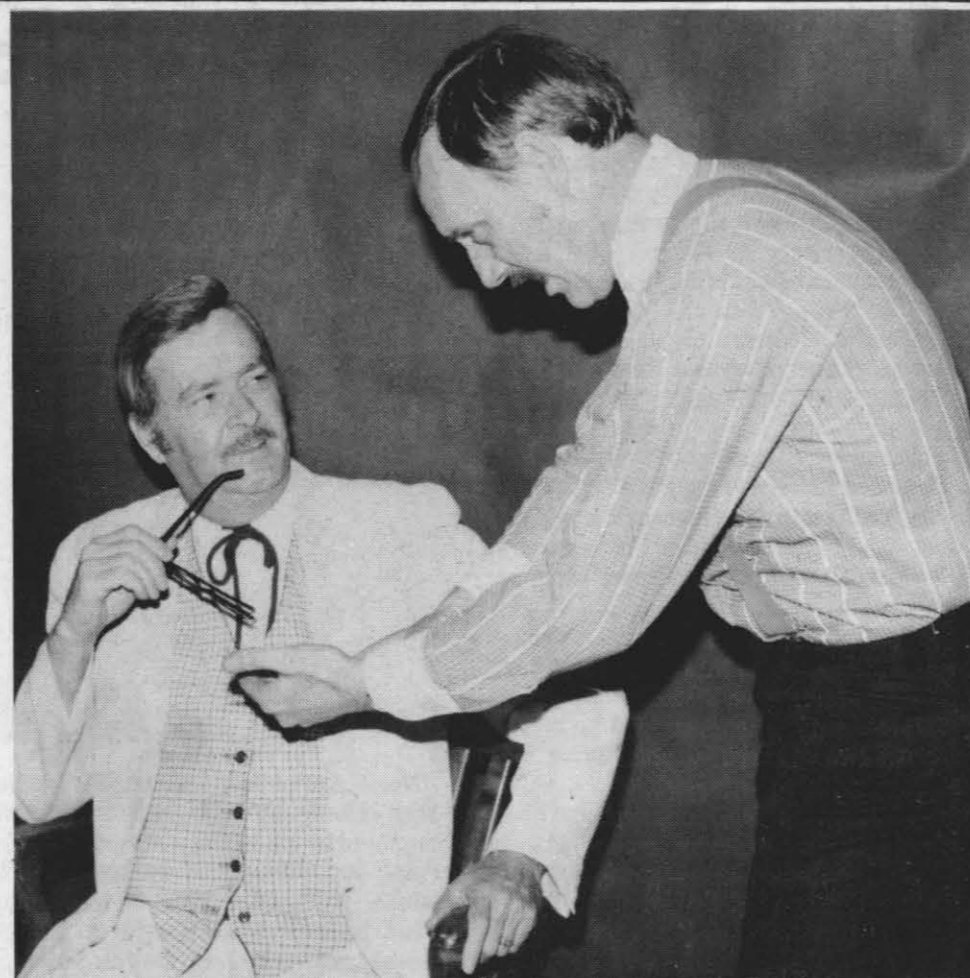
The event is the last of the entertainment scheduled by the college as part of the Great Desert Adventure weekend and will be held in the college lecture hall.

The young musicians will be accompanied by an orchestra directed by Daniel Swem. They are: organist Bruce McClung, soprano Judy Donald, trombonist Susie Backman, pianist Sandy Brammer, flutist Lynnette Lorch, and a string trio composed of violinists Pamela Easley and Carolyn Merro with cellist Janet Crawford.

The concert is being sponsored by the Fire Mountain Foundation, a non-profit organization of IWV residents founded last year to support Cerro Coso College courses, programs and services.

Funds raised during the Great Desert Adventure Weekend this year will be used to establish a student loan fund and scholarship awards.

In addition to the performances by the featured musicians, the orchestra will play "Marche Militaire Francaise" from Saint Saens' "Suite Algerienne," Op. 60; "Berceuse" and "Finale" from Stravinsky's



FINAL TWO PERFORMANCES SLATED—"Inherit the Wind," the Community Light Opera and Theater Association's production based on a famous courtroom battle over the right to teach the theory of evolution in public high school, will be presented again tonight and tomorrow night at 8:15 at the Burrroughs High School lecture center. The two principal roles in this drama are portrayed by Len Finney (seated), who is the prosecuting attorney, and Bob Pinney, the defense counsel. The play is a fictitious version of the 1925 trial of John T. Scopes in Dayton, Tenn. The courtroom battle during what became known as the "Scopes monkey trial" drew national attention because of the fame of the two attorneys who handled the case. They were William Jennings Bryan, the prosecutor, and Clarence Darrow, counsel for the defense. Tickets to the CLOTA stage play are priced at \$4 for adults, \$2 for students, and there is a special at-the-door price of \$1 for children under 12 years of age. —Photo by Ken Austerman

'H.M.S. Pinafore' to be presented Monday night by Opera a la Carte

The popular Gilbert and Sullivan operetta "H.M.S. Pinafore" will be presented on Monday evening, starting at 7:30, at the Naval Weapons Center theater by the well known repertory company Opera a la Carte. This will be the Indian Wells Valley Concert Association's final program of the 1977-78 season, and a sellout crowd is expected to be on hand.

Heading the cast as Sir Joseph Porter, the ruler of the Queen's Navy, will be Richard Sheldon, a noted Gilbert and Sullivan specialist from England, who is the director of Opera a la Carte.

His performances have been acclaimed

on both sides of the Atlantic, and he has been ranked as "very possibly the No. 1 Savoyard now living in America."

Commanding H.M.S. Pinafore is Captain Corcoran, to be played by Andrew Wentzell, who made his debut with Opera a la Carte in this production.

His daughter Josephine will be portrayed by Nita Danoff, who has been a member of the company since it was formed in the Spring of 1970, while the role of her suitor, Ralph Rackstraw, is filled by tenor Don Harrison.

Musical Director

Musical matters will be in the hands of Frank Fetta, who is the conductor and musical director, and two piano accompaniment will be provided by Theodore Crain, also an original member of the company, and Laura Vincent.

This production, which has been acclaimed as "polished and spirited," is one of a series of "Pinafore" centennial tour performances being presented by Opera a la Carte during 1978 — 100 years after the operetta was first produced in London.

Opera a la Carte, a Gilbert and Sullivan repertory company based in Los Angeles, tours California frequently, appears annually in Arizona and has visited Texas.

Few Tickets Left

Season ticket holders and advanced sales have reduced to a few the number of tickets remaining for Monday night's presentation of "H.M.S. Pinafore." Those tickets still available can be ordered by calling 375-5600, or purchased in Ridgecrest at The Music Man, the Medical Arts Pharmacy, the Drummond Medical Center Pharmacy, The Gift Mart, the Grainery and Lilly's Dress Shop.

Provided there are some tickets remaining to be sold on Monday evening, they will be available at the Center theater box office between the hours of 4:45 and 7:15.

Tickets are priced at \$6 each for general admission, or \$3 for those under 21 years of age, enlisted military personnel and senior citizens 65 years of age and over.



—Photo by Ken Bracken

TROMBONIST—Susie Backman, 16, rehearses for her solo concert appearance at the Cerro Coso Community College lecture hall Sunday.

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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

FRIDAY 7 APRIL

"ROCKY" (119 Min.)
Sylvester Stallone, Talia Shire
(Adventure-Drama) Stallone is the title character in this story of a local clubhouse prizefighter who gets the chance of a lifetime at the world heavyweight title. (PG)

SATURDAY 8 APRIL

"SCALAWAG" (93 Min.)
Kirk Douglas, Mark Lester
1:30 p.m. Matinee
(Action Comedy) A peg-legged pirate chief and his band of cutthroats rob another pirate band, disposing of the crew and burying the treasure. A talkative parrot discloses the gold's burial place. (G)

"VIVA KNEIVEL" (104 Min.)
Evel Knievel, Gene Kelly
(Action Drama) Evel Knievel is offered a lucrative contract for an exhibition in Mexico by fellow cyclist Marjoe Gortner. Unknown to him, the contract is a cover for a plot to kill him during the jump and to smuggle heroin from Mexico to the U.S. (PG)

SUNDAY 9 APRIL

"GOD'S GUN" (97 Min.)
Lee Van Cleef, Jack Palance
(Western) A wild bunch of outlaws led by Sam Clayton (Palance) is terrorizing the villages bordering Texas and Mexico in the 1870s. The gang decides to hide out in Juno City, a peaceful community. The local priest, Father John, has been raising Clayton's illegitimate son, Johnny. The gang kills Father John and Johnny seeks out the priest's twin brother to help him get revenge. (R)

MONDAY 10 APRIL

IWV Concert Association presents
Opera a la Carte in
"H.M.S. PINAFORE"
7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 12 APRIL

"DAMNATION ALLEY" (97 Min.)
George Peppard, Jan Michael Vincent
(Science Fiction) A handful of nuclear war survivors are charting an odyssey across the United States in search of other human life. The earth has been knocked off its axis by the nuclear holocaust and this has created a variety of unusual phenomena. (PG)

FRIDAY 14 APRIL

"IT'S ALIVE" (91 Min.)
John Ryan, Sharon Farrell
(Horror-Drama) An expectant mother, a devoted father, and a pre-teen son are looking forward to the birth of the new family member. When born the baby brutally murders everyone in the delivery room except the mother and escapes through the skylight. Similar atrocities occur throughout the city, and the police hunt the mutant baby-monster. (PG)

SATURDAY 15 APRIL

"WATCH OUT, WE'RE MAD" (102 Min.)
Bud Spencer, Terrence Hill
1:30 p.m. Matinee
(Adventure Drama) Ben (Spencer) and his friend Kid (Hill) are garage mechanics who own a dune buggy which has won a race. A band of hoods terrorize the neighborhood and destroy the buggy. The two set out to track them down and replace the buggy. (G)

"BARRY LYNDON" (185 Min.)
Ryan O'Neal, Marisa Berenson
(Historical Drama) This film is a picturesque recreation of an 18th century Irish rogue, played by O'Neal, and based on a novel by William Thackeray. With equal measures of luck and larceny, he rises from rural roughness to gentlemanly eminence. He is slowly transformed from a decent young lad in love with his cousin to a subject of greed and misfortune. (PG)

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Shift in assignments for four senior officials at China Lake announced

New assignments that are effective immediately for four senior officials of the Laboratory Directorate that Dr. Rogers has vacated, as well as those of the Systems Acquisition Office which (until this change) has been under the direction of Franklin M. Knemeyer.

Dr. Marguerite (Peggy) Rogers, who has been serving as the acting head of the Laboratory Directorate for the past ten months, has returned to her regular assignment as head of the Weapons Development Department at her request.

In announcing the change, Hillyer made special note of the outstanding manner in which Dr. Rogers has carried out the demanding duties of Laboratory Director during a period of transition and realignment, and presented her with a Sustained Superior Performance Award for her exceptional efforts.

Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander, joined the Technical Director in congratulating Dr. Rogers for her skillful management of the NWC Laboratory Directorate.

It was then announced by Hillyer, that Burrell W. Hays, head of the Ordnance Systems Department, will become the NWC Deputy Technical Director — an assign-

ment that includes the duties of the post in the Laboratory Directorate that Dr. Rogers has vacated, as well as those of the Systems Acquisition Office which (until this change) has been under the direction of Franklin M. Knemeyer.

Carl Schaniel, long-time head of the Weapons Planning Group, who is currently in the latter phase of a 12-month executive



FOR JOB WELL DONE—Dr. Marguerite Rogers is congratulated by Rear Admiral William L. Harris, NWC Commander, after receiving a Sustained Superior Performance Award that was presented by Robert M. Hillyer (at left), NWC Technical Director. The award was in recognition of Dr. Rogers' outstanding effort in handling the complex duties of head of the Laboratory Directorate for the past ten months. —Photo by Ron Allen

Boggs receives outstanding Fed'l Gov't employee award

Thomas L. Boggs, a Naval Weapons Center employee who has earned international recognition as a research scientist in the field of solid and liquid propellant combustion, is one of ten outstanding employees in the Federal Government singled out to receive the Arthur S. Flemming Award for 1978.

The 30th annual Flemming Awards presentation took place on March 23 in the nation's capital during a luncheon meeting that was arranged by the Downtown Jaycees of Washington, D.C.

Each year, ten award recipients are chosen — five from scientific or technical fields and five from administrative or executive fields of the Federal Government.

Purpose of Awards

The purpose of honoring outstanding individuals in the Federal Government each year is to recognize those who have performed outstanding and meritorious work, to attract outstanding individuals to the Federal Government, to encourage high standards of performance in the Federal service, and to enhance appreciation of this nation's form of government and the opportunities and responsibilities that it presents.

The printed booklet which accompanied the engraved plaque which Boggs received contained a message from President Jimmy Carter, who added his own written commendation to the recipients as a whole. It read, in part, as follows:

Message From President

"Our Federal service has always been blessed with countless talented and dedicated professionals whose accomplishments have made our country a better place in which to live.

"Named for a man who typifies the highest standards of government service, the Arthur S. Flemming Awards provide incentives and inspiration for all Federal employees.

"In saluting these ten outstanding individuals, it is also heartening to know that

hundreds of their colleagues were considered for the award. I commend them and this year's winners. Our nation owes them a great deal."

The awards again this year were presented by Dr. Flemming, whose Federal service career dates back to the period from 1939 to 1948 when he was a member of the U.S. Civil Service Commission. In the intervening years, he has held a great many

high level government posts, and is currently serving as chairman of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Nominees for the 1978 Flemming Awards must not have reached their 40th birthday before Jan. 1, 1978. The general criteria followed in evaluating Boggs' nomination included the following:

A specific accomplishment for which the
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EXTRAORDINARY HONOR RECEIVED—Thomas L. Boggs, one of ten Federal Government employees to be so honored, holds the Arthur S. Flemming Award plaque which he received during a luncheon meeting in Washington, D.C. Boggs, a research scientist in the field of solid and liquid propellant combustion, also was cited for his extensive activities geared to aid youth of the community.

NEW ASSIGNMENT—Announced at Monday morning's Commander's meeting was the assignment of Burrell W. Hays (at right) to the post of NWC Deputy Technical Director. Hays, who has been head of the Ordnance Systems Department, was welcomed to his new job by Robert M. Hillyer, Technical Director.

training rotational assignment in the Washington, D. C., area, will assume Hays' duties as head of the Ordnance Systems Department upon his return to China Lake in late June 1978.

In the interim, the acting department head of Code 32 will be Paul Cordle.

Knemeyer, who has been filling the position of acting head of the Weapons Planning Group and also serving as head of the Systems Acquisition Office, will be the
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Talk on subject of 'Standards of Conduct' set Mon.

A talk on the subject of "Standards of Conduct" for both civilian and military personnel will be presented Monday at 1 and again at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1000-D, Michelson Laboratory.

The speaker will be Capt. Nicholas Sabalos, who is the Staff Judge Advocate for the Chief of Naval Material. Time will be allotted for questions from the audience following each of the presentations by Capt. Sabalos.

All individuals who filed a Confidential Statement of Employment and Financial Interests (DD Form 1555) in October 1977 are urged to attend one or another of the meetings on Monday.

Further information can be obtained by calling the Office of the Counsel, Code 004, on NWC ext. 2205.

