



FLAG DAY OBSERVED — The local observance of Flag Day (June 14) began at the Naval Weapons Center by the setting in place of flags along Blandly Ave. by Boy Scouts of Troop 291 (Ridgecrest) and Troop 3 (China Lake), under the direction of Dan Banks, an NWC employee who is the assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 291. That evening the traditional Flag Day ceremony was held at the Ridgecrest Elks Lodge. The program opened with posting of the colors (top left) by a color guard composed of members of Sierra Chapter No. 17 of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. The guest speaker (photo inset) was Robert Campbell, a past state chairman of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association who is also a charter member of the local chapter. A performance by the NWC Sidewinder drill team, under the direction of AZI John McClain; the recital of a history of the American Flag; the Elks Lodge floral liberty bell ceremony, presented by officers of the lodge, and the ritual of burning old and worn out American flags were among the highlights of the Flag Day ceremony. — Photos by Tony Garcia

### Plans being made for annual Cub Scout Cub-O-Ree

Plans are being formulated for the annual Cub-O-Ree at Camp Jewett in the Greenhorn Mountains on Saturday and Sunday, June 30 and July 1. All Cub Scouts in Indian Wells Valley are invited to attend. However, each youngster must bring an adult along with him. Check-in for the Cub-O-Ree will begin Friday night, June 29, and will continue through Saturday morning. The activities will not begin until 9:30 a.m. Saturday; consequently those arriving on Friday will have to provide their own recreational activities. Saturday activities will include archery, firebuilding, running an obstacle course, first aid instruction, and a big campfire that night. Although the Cub-O-Ree officially ends after the campfire, Cubs and their parents are invited to stay and camp overnight at Camp Jewett. Activity equipment will be furnished along with wood and water. Parents and Cub Scouts must bring their own camping and cooking equipment, and food for the number of meals they plan to eat at the camp. To help defray the cost of the event and to pay for patches for the Cub Scouts, \$1 per boy will be charged. For further information on the Cub-O-Ree, parents are asked to telephone Steve Loraine at 375-5294 between 7 and 9 p.m.

### 'Bang-up' 4th of July fete slated at fairgrounds

All Indian Wells Valley residents are invited to a free Fourth of July celebration to be held at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds in Ridgecrest beginning at 2:30 p.m. on Independence Day and concluding at 9 p.m. with a fireworks display. Tony Martin, chairman of this year's celebration, is coordinating plans for the admission-free community-wide event, which will include games and activities for persons of all ages. A shaded outdoor picnic area will be available for the use of those who would like to bring their own picnic fare. There will also be charcoal-filled braziers heated and ready for use by those who wish to broil their own hamburgers, hot dogs or other meat. In addition, hamburgers and hot dogs will be on sale as will cold drinks and beer at booths on the fairgrounds. Martin said that

he is still looking for sponsors for these booths. Chairmen are also needed for the greased pole and tug of war events and for a horse-shoe pitching tourney. The watermelon and pie eating contests will be supervised by the Kiwanis Club of Ridgecrest and the Rotary Club of China Lake / Ridgecrest, respectively. For those who prefer being indoors during a summer afternoon, the air-conditioned Joshua Hall will be open. There, chairs will be set up, and music and other forms of entertainment are being planned inside as

part of the Fourth of July celebration. "Any musical groups or other entertainers who would like to donate their services to help make the celebration a success, should call me," Martin said. Contributions to offset the cost of the fireworks are now being accepted. Individuals or groups desiring to make the 1979 display "the best ever" should mail their donations to the Desert Empire Fairgrounds, Post Office Box 1179, Ridgecrest, CA, 93555. Checks should be made payable to "Fireworks Display for 1979." Civic-minded groups or individuals interested in assisting with the Independence Day celebration by sponsoring games, special events, or entertaining are asked to contact Martin at the fairgrounds by calling 375-8000 as soon as possible.

### BHS Class of '69 to hold reunion here on July 6, 7

The '69 Committee has announced final plans for the 10-year reunion for the graduating class of 1969 from Burroughs High School on Friday and Saturday, July 6 and 7. Festivities will begin with a no-host reception at the Hideaway Restaurant in Ridgecrest at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, July 6. This will be followed by a family get-together at the Kern Regional Park on Saturday, July 7, beginning at 10 a.m. The final event of the reunion, a barbecued steak dinner and dance, is planned on Saturday night at the Chief Petty Officers' Club. A social hour starting at 6:30 p.m. will precede the dinner, and the evening will be rounded out by dancing to the music of "Zeppo," a 5-piece band from Bakersfield. Special event passes will be available at the NWC main gate for those who need them to attend the dinner-dance.



### Use of fireworks on board Center is prohibited

With the Fourth of July holiday fast approaching, this timely reminder has been issued by the NWC Safety and Security Department. The use of fireworks by individuals anywhere on the Naval Weapons Center is prohibited. This requirement exists even though the City of Ridgecrest has permitted the sale and use of fireworks within the city limits. Consequently, all China Lakers are advised that (in conformance with OPNAV 11320.15 and Section 4045 of the Kern County Fire Regulations) the sale, storage or use of fireworks on the Center is not permitted. The only exception to this regulation is that "Sparklers" may be ignited when youngsters are under the personal supervision of an adult.

## Capt. Haff to relieve RAdm. Harris as NWC Commander

A formal change of command ceremony that will terminate nearly two years as Commander of the Naval Weapons Center for Rear Admiral William L. Harris will take place next Friday, June 29, starting at 10 a.m. at the Administration Circle. An invitation to attend the change of command ceremony is extended to all interested persons. Those planning to be present should arrive in time to be seated by 9:50 a.m. Stepping into the vacancy created by the departure of RAdm. Harris will be Capt. William B. Haff, who has been the NWC Technical Officer and Deputy Laboratory Director from 1975 to the present time. Capt. Haff, the 21st Commander of the Naval Weapons Center and its forerunner (the Naval Ordnance Test Station), is a veteran of 28 years of service in the Navy. His active duty career began following graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1951 and, a year later, he was designated a naval aviator after completing training as a student aviator at Naval Air Stations in Pensacola, Fla., and Kingsville, Tex. During the period from 1952 through 1963, Capt. Haff was assigned (at various times) to Fighter Squadrons 191, 124 and 111; served as a flight instructor at the Naval Air Station, Olathe, Kans. (1955-57); and spent two years (1957-59) at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, where he earned a BS degree in aeronautical engineering. He then attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology during 1959-60 and was graduated with a master's degree in aeronautics and astronautics. From 1963 through 1970, his steadily increasing responsibilities as a naval aviation officer included serving for a year as aircraft handling officer on the aircraft carrier USS Midway, as a U.S. Air Force Exchange Duty Officer at Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino, Calif., and as Executive Officer and later Commanding Officer of Fighter Squadron 154, before becoming the Readiness Officer on the Staff of the Seventh Fleet from 1968-70. This is Capt. Haff's second assignment to the Naval Weapons Center. During his first tour of duty here (1970-72) he was the Assistant Technical Officer (Air), and he subsequently served as the Sidewinder Program Officer for the Naval Air Systems Command in Washington, D.C., from 1972 to 1975. Capt. Haff has twice won the Distinguished Flying Cross, is a holder of the Bronze Star with "V," has earned 21 Air Medals, and 5 Navy Commendation Medals. The change of command ceremony will begin with a musical prelude by the U.S. Navy band from San Diego. To make it possible for all interested persons to attend, special event procedures will be in effect at the Center's main gate to permit visitors from Ridgecrest to join NWC employees and their dependents who wish to be present for this special occasion. The guest speaker is to be Admiral A. J. Whittle, Chief of Naval Material from Washington, D.C., while Cdr. J. W. Patterson, Associate for Anti-Surface Systems in the NWC Weapons Department, will be the commander of the troops assembled for the occasion. Following the appropriate preliminary ceremonies, which will include the invocation by Capt. F. E. Whitaker, NWC Senior Chaplain, RAdm. Harris and Capt. Haff will quickly pass among the ranks of more than 300 NWC enlisted personnel, 45 chief petty officers and 30 officers assembled for the change of command ceremony. The official orders designating him as



Capt. William B. Haff

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**FRIDAY JUNE 22**  
"WOLFMAN"  
Starring  
Kristine Reynolds and Sid Rauer  
(Horror-Drama, rated PG, 109 min.)

**SATURDAY-MONDAY JUNE 23 & 25**  
"THE WIZ"  
Starring  
Dianna Ross and Michael Jackson  
(Musical Fantasy, rated G, 134 min.)  
1:30 Matinee, June 23 — 7:30 p.m., June 25

**SATURDAY JUNE 23**  
"UNCLE JOE SHANNON"  
Starring  
Burt Young and Doug McKeon  
(Drama, rated R, 102 min.)  
7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 27**  
"MOMENT BY MOMENT"  
Starring  
Lilly Tomlin and John Travolta  
(Romantic Drama, rated R, 105 min.)

**FRIDAY JUNE 29**  
"TIME OF THE EAGLE"  
Starring  
Stuart Culpepper  
(Drama, rated PG, 105 min.)

**SATURDAY JUNE 30**  
"SLOW DANCING IN THE BIG CITY"  
Starring  
Paul Sorvino  
(Drama, rated PG, 117 min.)  
There will be no Saturday matinee's until further notice.

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### Smith receives Tech Director Award for directing work on Supersonic Tactical Missile

Max R. Smith, program manager of the Supersonic Tactical Missile Office (Code 3904A) in the Weapons Department, received the Technical Director's Award in recognition of outstanding technical accomplishment during the Commander's meeting held Monday morning in the Management Center of Michelson Laboratory. The award was presented by B. W. Hays, Deputy Technical Director, on behalf of Bob Hillyer, NWC Technical Director. Hays congratulated Smith for his leadership of the Supersonic Tactical Missile (STM) program, which was highlighted recently by the successful integration and launching of the STM from an A-7 Corsair II aircraft.



CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED — B. W. Hays (right), NWC Deputy Technical Director, presents the Technical Director Award to Max R. Smith in recognition of his outstanding effort as program manager of the Supersonic Tactical Missile. — Photo by PH2 Tony Garcia

### First successful firing reported of Supersonic Tactical Missile

The first successful firing of the new supersonic tactical missile (STM) developed for the Navy by Vought Corp. of Dallas, Tex., was recently made over the Pacific Missile Test Center's (PMTC) range. The STM is an advanced integral rocket / ramjet test vehicle being developed in a program at the Naval Weapons Center, sponsored by the Naval Air Systems Command. Launched by an NWC A-7 Corsair II jet aircraft over the PMTC range, the high performance vehicle streaked approximately 90 miles downrange at an altitude of 35,000 feet and sustained speeds of about 2,000 miles an hour before executing a programmed terminal dive into the Pacific Ocean. The test vehicle was the first of an advanced, low-cost propulsion system delivered under the STM program by Vought. It was described as a major step toward development of a new generation of high-performance, air-to-surface tactical standoff missiles. Vought is to produce four of the STM missiles under an initial \$8.4 million contract. This included the supersonic tactical vehicle-propulsion (STV-P), which was just successfully fired, a supersonic tactical vehicle-guidance (STV-G), and two advanced tactical vehicles (ATV). The next in the series to be flight tested will be the STV-G in about 18 months. Meantime, the STM program people at China Lake will be making captive flight tests of what will ultimately be the guidance system for the STV-G. The microwave radiometer (MICRAD) terminal seeker, which is expected to be delivered by the end of June, will be integrated with the strap-down ring laser gyro inertial guidance system (ATI GS X-2) and flown in a captive mode. STM is the only one of its type flying in the free world today. It features a solid rocket and liquid ramjet propulsion system which makes use of a common combustion chamber. The vehicle burns its solid rocket fuel first and then uses the exhausted motor case to burn conventional liquid jet fuel for sustained high-speed, long duration flight powered all the way to its target.

Reasons for Success  
In the letter of commendation from Hillyer which accompanied the Technical Director Award, it was noted that "the success of this mission was due mainly to your (Smith's) superior technical and management skills." In addition to the letter of commendation, Smith also received an engraved paperweight, and will receive a small stipend which accompanies this special form of a Superior Achievement Award. Smith was nominated for the Technical Director Award by W. B. Porter, head of the Weapons Department, who wrote that the STM integration and flight test was completely under Smith's control. Previous testing had been the responsibility of the contractor. Test Preparations  
Various sections of the missile were integrated, assembled, and checked out at China Lake, and the weapon was then loaded and flown to the Pacific Missile Test Center at Point Mugu for firing. "Serious funding difficulties and numerous technical problems were encountered during the missile preparation period which threatened to abort the entire test," Porter pointed out. Despite these difficulties, the firing was successfully accomplished nearly on schedule, even though it was under severe budget constraints. Smith, who is a graduate of the University of Missouri's School of Mines, (where he received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in January 1959), started to work two months later at China Lake. He was hired under the Junior Professional program and has remained here up until the present time. This week, however, he left for a year-long assignment as Navy Science Assistance Program (NSAP) advisor to Vice Admiral Lee Baggett, Jr., Commander, Naval Forces Pacific, (Continued on Page 4)

### Parking space set aside for visitors next Friday a.m.

In order to insure adequate parking space for visitors and guests during the Naval Weapons Center change of command ceremony, NWC employees and military personnel are asked not to park their vehicles in the Community Center or Administration Building parking lots next Friday morning, June 29. The parking lot opposite the Technical Information Department's main building also is to be left open for visitors to the change of command ceremony. Next Friday morning, NWC employees will have free use of all parking spaces around Michelson Laboratory, since normally restricted parking spaces around the lab will be open to all users on a first-come, first-served basis. In order that all who wish to attend the change of command ceremony, may do so, an open gate and special event procedures will be in effect at the Center's main gate on June 29 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Photo by PH2 Tony Garcia

PUBLIC INFORMATION PLAN DISCUSSED — The Naval Weapons Center's proposed geothermal area development public information plan was the subject of a meeting held here last Saturday by a group of 12 officers and 8 enlisted personnel who are members of Naval Reserve Information Unit 119 of Los Angeles.

AECS Smith selected as VX-5's Chief Petty Officer of Command

Senior Chief Aviation Electrician's Mate John Smith has relieved Chief Aviation Machinist's Mate K. E. Hunker as Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five's Chief Petty Officer of the Command.

The Newton, Kans., native was graduated from Newton High School in June 1956 before attending junior college in Ark City, Kans., for two years, majoring in business administration.

Chief Smith played basketball in the Navy during his first ten years of service, but since then has limited his participation in the sport to coaching.

He says that his new job as VX-5's Chief Petty Officer of Command will be a challenging one.

"I will be available to all squadron enlisted personnel to answer complaints that can not be answered through the regular chain of command," Senior Chief Smith said.

His other duty stations since entering the Navy in March 1959 have included Helicopter Squadron Six at the Naval Air Station, Ream Field in San Diego; Naval Air Station, Atsugi, Japan; and two tours at the Naval Air Station, North Island, San Diego, one with the Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department and the other with Composite Squadron Three; and Naval Air Station, Alameda.

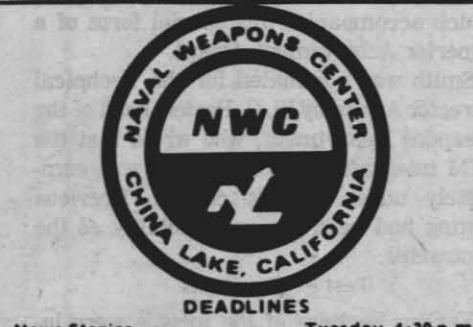
He also had tours at the Naval Air Stations at Barber's Point, Hawaii, Midway Island, and Cubi Point in the Philippine Islands.



AECS John Smith

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Promotional opportunities

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

Electronics Technician, GS-856-7/8/9/10, PD No. 7835036-7N, Code 3553 - This position is located in the Threat Radar Evaluation/Development Branch, Countermeasures Division, Electronic Warfare Department. Incumbent troubleshoots, repairs, aligns, calibrates and maintains radar subsystems; designs, fabricates, tests and integrates radar modifications.

Electronics Engineer, GS-855-14, PD No. 7935044E, Code 3522 - This position is that of head, Advanced Technology Branch, responsible for supervising contractor's design, engineering development of advanced radio frequency avionics and missile guidance systems.

Travel Office Supervisor, GS-501-8, PD No. 7980030, Code 0642 - This position is head of the Travel Office, Civilian Pay and Travel Branch, Accounting and Disbursing Division, Office of Finance and Management.

Supply Clerk, GS-2005-3/4/5, PD No. 7825007N, Code 25752 - Applications will be accepted from status eligibles. This position is located in the Receipt Matching Section, Receipt Control Branch, Control Division, Supply Department.

Electronics Engineer, GS-855-9/11/12, PD No. 7832008-1E, Code 3331 - Applications will be accepted from status eligibles. This position is located in the Surface Approach Fuze Branch, Fuze Systems Division, Fuze and Sensors Department.

Electronics Engineer, GS-855-9/11/12, PD No. 7934043-1E, Code 3318 - Applications will be accepted from status eligibles. This position is located in the Microelectronics Branch, Sensor Systems Division, Fuze and Sensors Department.

Electronics Engineer, GS-855-9/11/12, PD No. 7932044E, Code 3315 - This position is located in the Design and Fabrication Branch, Sensor Systems Division, Fuze and Sensors Department.

Interdisciplinary, GS-12, PD No. 7831144, Code 3142 - This position is that of project engineer in the A6/A7 Simulation Branch, Avionics Division, Systems Development Department.

Supervisory General Engineer, GS-801-15, PD No. 794078E, Code 348 - This position is that of head, Product Assurance Division, Engineering Department.

Youths 14-17 sought for Marine Reserve Devil Pup program

Applications are once again being accepted from young men 14 through 17 years of age who are interested in participating in the Devil Pup program - an activity sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.

Participants in this year's Devil Pup program will spend 10 days at Camp Pendleton (from July 25 to Aug. 3). During that time, the youths will go through daily conditioning exercises, receive instruction in unarmed self defense and first aid, and participate in field marches and overnight bivouacs.

They also will be permitted to observe the regular Marines in whatever training they may be engaged in at the time.

In addition, there will be organized recreational activities such as beach parties and motion picture shows.

Youths interested in joining the Devil Pup program can apply by calling Molly McKinney, phone 375-7857, or writing to 817-A Balsam St., Ridgcrest. The applicant's age and date of birth are required information for those who apply by mail.

The deadline for applications for the Devil Pup program is July 12.

Softball results . . .

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at bat. CSC and the Charlie Browns tangled in a slugfest that had to be called after five innings of play because of the time limit placed on the length of games.

The Charlie Browns ran out of steam after scoring 8 runs in their first time at bat and 4 more in the second inning. At the same time, CSC tallied 9 runs in the first, 2 more in the second inning but found itself trailing 12-11 after two innings of play.

The scorekeeper got a break during the next 1 1/2 innings of play as neither team was able to reach home plate, but in the last half of the fourth and fifth innings, CSC tallied 6 and 4 runs, respectively, to win, going away, by a final score of 21-12.

CSC outthit the Charlie Browns by just 11 to 10, but was able to take advantage of the dozen walks that were issued by the pitcher for the Charlie Browns to chalk up an easy victory.

Scores of last week's games played in the men's slow pitch division were:

- Cobras 24, Bird Olds 14; CMCI 14; Marauders 0; Pizza Villa 26; Blackjacks 4; Knights 12, Hooters 0; CSC 13, NWC O's 12; Homestead 10, Sun Devils 4; Time 11, CMCI 5; Marauders 7, Bird Olds 6; Jaes Gang 15, ARCS 7; Homestead 21, Hooters 11; CSC 20, Blackjacks 6, and Pizza Villa 17, Blacksheep 11.

Rec. Roundup . . .

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ployees of the Naval Weapons Center are eligible to rent boats and trailers that are kept at Lake Isabella by Edwards Air Force Base.

Advance reservations are necessary, and can be made by calling Carol Studt at Edwards Air Force Base, Autovon 350-3418, or (805) 277-3418, Monday through Friday between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Racketball Challenge Night Racketball court No. 2 will be reserved from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, for women who wish to take part in the racketball challenge night program.

All interested active duty military personnel and Athletic Association members are invited to get in on the action.

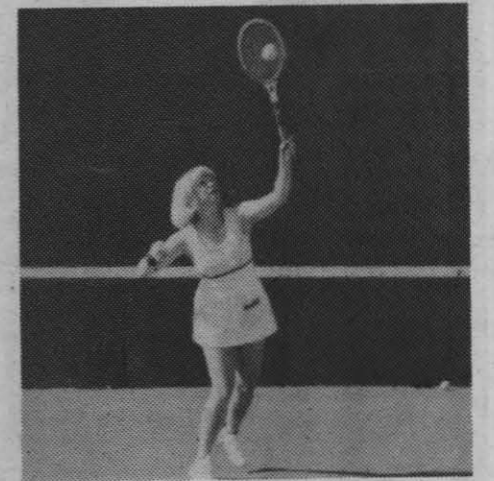
Exact time available

Ever wonder what the exact time is? Thanks to a new service from the Naval Observatory and a tie-in to the observatory's master clock, you can hear the exact Eastern Standard and Universal mean time by calling Autovon 294-4950, or commercial (202) 254-4950. The service is available 24 hours a day.

employee in the spotlight

"She is a self-starter who continually looks for projects to accomplish, and ways to gain experience. . ."

Cathy de Wolfe



By Ernest R. Sutton

"You can put up with a lot when you like your job, the people you work with and the many good friends you meet socially," says Cathy de Wolfe, head of staff for the new Parachute Systems Department at the Naval Weapons Center.

Miss de Wolfe, an attractive blond who enjoys a variety of outdoor sports, discovered when she first came to China Lake to work as a summer employee in 1968 that she was allergic to just about everything that grows in Indian Wells Valley, even the tumbleweeds.

"The only way that I survive is by taking daily medication and visiting an allergist in Lancaster periodically," she said, "but I have stayed here because of the friendly people and the small town atmosphere. I'm definitely not a big city person. I don't like the smog or the traffic."

Plenty of Elbow Room in Ridgcrest

Miss de Wolfe indicated that she likes elbow room and from Ridgcrest the mountains are not far away. She likes to go there to hike and to backpack with friends.

Until February of this year, she had served as the administrative officer in the NWC Engineering Department's Systems Engineering Division for almost three years. For her outstanding performance of duty in 1977 she was awarded a quality salary increase and an outstanding performance award in 1978 by her supervisor, Jim Bowen, head of the Engineering Design Division.

Bowen commended Cathy for being a self-starter who continually looks for projects to accomplish, and ways to gain experience and to get the job done more efficiently and effectively. Bowen said, "Her exceptionally quick grasp of all the facets of a problem have made her highly valuable in the daily interface with branch and division personnel, the department staff and various service units such as budget, personnel and supply. This in-depth ability to grasp the complexities of each problem has contributed to much quicker solutions than could normally be expected."

As head of staff in the Parachute Systems Department, Miss de Wolfe is responsible for setting up administrative procedures and functions that a department needs to operate under.

"This has to be done since we are a new department being formed from the group moving here from El Centro. In addition, I have to make sure that our people are oriented with the operations at China Lake and how things are done. In other words, I see that everything is going in the right direction."

"Probably the best way to describe my job as head of staff, would be to say it can be very challenging," Cathy said.

Her Sister Introduced Her to China Lake

Miss de Wolfe states that she would have never known that the Naval Weapons Center existed out here in the desert if it hadn't been for her sister, Carmille, whose husband, Ed Alden, came to work here as a Junior Professional in the early 1960s.

"I learned about the place by coming out to visit them," she continued, "then, while I was attending college at San Jose State University I worked here for the first time as a summer employee in 1968 in the Engineering Department."

Gasoline very hazardous if incorrectly stored or used warns NWC Fire Division

In view of the current energy crisis, the NWC Fire Division would like to share some important and timely safety tips on gasoline.

Gasoline is extremely dangerous. Its vapors are heavier than air and can flow invisibly along the ground and be ignited by a flame or spark from a considerable distance.

A single gallon of gasoline has the explosive force of four sticks of dynamite. Carrying gasoline in the trunk of your car is a dangerous practice, if you are hit from the rear, there can be a fatal explosion.

Do not store gasoline in your house, ever. Always keep it in a well-ventilated area and never more than 5 gallons. If you must store gasoline, keep it out of the reach of children and store it only in approved safety cans which have flame arrestors and pressure-release valves.

Gasoline is not only highly explosive and flammable but also quite toxic when swallowed or spilled on the skin. Inhaling gasoline fumes can cause hydrocarbon pneumonia that under some circumstances could be fatal. If gasoline is accidentally swallowed, do not induce vomiting. Call a

Opportunities . . .

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NWC personnel. The incumbent will act as a technical representative to the contracting officer on part or all of the contracts. Additionally, the incumbent is responsible for monitoring the serviceability of individual units and classes of support equipment, determining as to when cost of maintenance exceeds cost of replacement.

The incumbents of fire resulting in injuries and deaths due to gasoline are increasing at an alarming rate. Many people, in their panic to get their hands on gasoline at any cost, are showing an unknowing but reckless disregard for their own safety and safety of those around them by transporting and storing gasoline in everything from wastebaskets to wine bottles.

Gasoline is dangerous, it is made to explode! Remember, an ounce of (fire) prevention is worth a (gallon) pound of cure.

To close for inventory

The Navy Exchange (NEX) Annex on Halsey Avenue will be closed all day Saturday for inventory. All other NEX facilities will be open during normal business hours that day.

The Annex will reopen for business from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday.



Recreation Roundup

Jokari tourney practice sessions to begin Monday

Practice sessions in preparation for the up coming Jokari tournament...

Swim Tests Being Conducted

Young people 8 to 12 years of age who wish to use the swimming pools...

This test is now being offered at all of the swimming pools on the Center...

Kite Making Class Stated

Classes in making and flying kites will be held Monday through Thursday...

All youths in the above-mentioned age bracket must be tested or re-tested...

Registration for these classes is being handled at the Community Center...

The yearly fee for membership in the Youth Center is \$6...

Outdoor Recreation Military personnel and civilian em-

Recreation Council open to suggestions on local activities

The Joint Military-Civilian Recreation Council meets periodically...

Individuals or groups at China Lake having suggestions or ideas...

LCdr. Bob Reusche, Code 613, NWC Ext. 5212; Ltjg. Bob Boyd, Code 96...

Others are PR3 Sharrell Olvera, Code 612, NWC Ext. 5433; HM3 Kenneth Gibson...

Raiders win 11th straight men's fast pitch softball game

The Raiders, who have yet to be defeated in this season's competition...

The division leaders came up with a 6-run first inning that paved the way...

In the only other games played last week in the men's fast pitch division...

For the Raiders in their game with Fuller Masonry, singles by Marty Stoner...



Photos by PH2 Tony Garcia

RUN SCORED FOR VX-5 - Cheered on by Larry Curtis (at right), a base coach...

MDISL tennis tournament won by players from Norton AFB

Racket swingers from Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino captured the Mojave Desert Interservice League...

Strong winds on both Saturday and Sunday made playing conditions difficult...

The visitors from Norton AFB rolled up a total of 48 points, compared to 34 for the



CAUGHT OFF BASE - John Paterson, of the NWC officers' slow pitch softball team, tags out Paul Stephenson...

addition to a home run by Mike Pangle, got the division leaders off to a 6-0 first inning lead.

The Raiders also chalked up 2 more tallies in the second inning when Mark Wooten hit a home run...

Fuller Masonry scored 2 runs each in the third, fifth and sixth innings...

Sports Etc. a team tied for second place with a 4 1/2-6 1/2 record as of June 15...

Long ball hitters in this game were Mark Stoner of the Raiders and Ray Taves of Sports Etc.

Proving that this first win of the season was no fluke, the Nelson Auto team then overcame an early 4-1 lead...

Although still trailing in last place in the 4-team men's fast pitch division...

In a key game played last week in the women's fast pitch division...

The Merchants led 6-4 after 3 1/2 innings of a closely played ball game...

Two other games played in the women's fast pitch division resulted in a 12-2 win by Mary Sue's over the Flower Shop...

Tom Wilson, from Nellis AFB, won the open singles title by defeating Gary Stern...

The MDISL open tennis doubles champs are Robert Horton and Michael Blanchard...

The tennis team from Norton also won the senior singles and senior doubles events...

The Los Angeles Air Force Station netters placed second and third in both the open singles and open doubles competition.

Also rans in the tourney (including the China Lakers who were unable to win a single match) were the tennis players from George and March Air Force Bases.

Next event on the MDISL schedule of activities will be slow pitch softball Aug. 18 and 19 at Nellis Air Force Base...

Current point standings in the 1979 MDISL competition (each team gets 10 points for participation in an event)...

China Lake Intramural Softball League Standings as of June 15:

Table with columns: Team, Men's Fast Pitch Div., Women's Fast Pitch Div., Slow Pitch (American), Slow Pitch (National). Rows include Raiders, Fuller Masonry, Sports Etc., Nelson Auto, etc.



Photo by PH2 Tony Garcia

NWC'S FAVORITE - Capt. F. H. M. Kinley, NWC Vice Commander, congratulates PNSA Julie Star...

Julie Star wins title of Ms. Navy Relief, campaign brings in \$8,965

To mark the close of the 1979 Navy Relief Society Fund Drive at the Naval Weapons Center...

Donations to the campaign included a check for \$902 from the proceeds of the Ballet Arts Theatre's benefit for Navy Relief...

Other previously unreported donors included the Indian Wells Valley Council of the Navy League...

An additional \$1,600 was contributed by the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess...

Capt. F. H. M. Kinley, NWC Vice Commander, awarded the first prize to Ms. Navy Relief...

Each dollar donated in the name of a candidate counted as one vote for her. LCdr. Ted Faller said that each of the contestants had a wide base of support...

Turn in timecards early next Friday

All personnel who are responsible for the submission of timecards are reminded that because of the Wednesday, July 4, Independence Day holiday...

Capt. Haff ...

NWC's new Commander will then be read by Capt. Haff.

Personal comments by Capt. Haff conveying his views on taking command of the Naval Weapons Center...

Following the ceremony, a cake will be cut by RADM Harris and Capt. Haff and there will be cake and punch served in the shade of trees bordering the south side of the Administration Circle.

Navy-assisted rescue effort results in saving life of 16-year-old boy

Two members of the China Lake Mountain Rescue Group (CLMRG) teamed up with other rescue teams on Monday to successfully rescue a 16-year-old boy stranded near the 14,000 ft. summit of North Palisade peak...

Scott Jackson of Chicago, Ill., had climbed the difficult peak with his granduncle Reed Boswell, 61, a doctor from Los Angeles on Saturday morning...

A U.S. Forest Service helicopter spotted Jackson stranded on a 200 ft. vertical cliff near the summit early Monday morning.

About the same time, the Inyo County Sheriff's Department requested assistance from the CLMRG. CLMRG team members Bob Rockwell and Al Green were flown from Armitage Airfield...

Meanwhile the Forest Service helicopter lowered two members of the Inyo County Sheriff's posse rescue team, Bob McCoy and Brian Norris...

Rockwell and Green then lowered the barely conscious boy down to a snow slope where they could carry him to the waiting Navy helicopter...

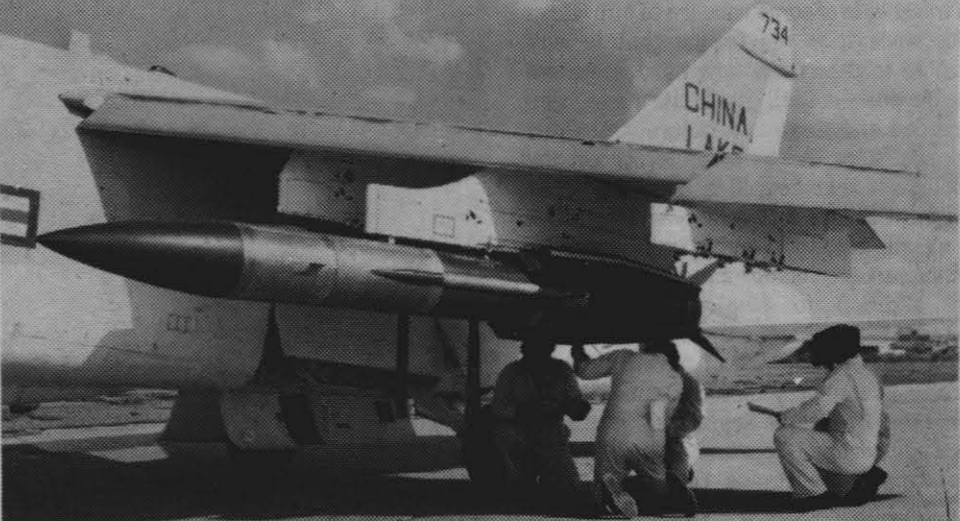
Rockwell also reported that the climbers were dressed adequately for their climb, with down jackets and pants...

Difficult Climb Rockwell said that the North Palisade is a particularly difficult climb even for the most experienced mountaineer...

The guidance system used by the STV-G consists of the ATIGS X-2 to provide midcourse guidance from the time of launch to target acquisition...

Both the Forest Service and the Navy helicopters continued searching for Dr. Boswell, but neither crew sighted him on Monday...

Eight members of CLMRG led by Lee Lucas left here by automobile at 4:45 a.m. on Tuesday to continue the search for Dr. Boswell...



READY TO BE FLOWN - The supersonic tactical vehicle-propulsion, an integral rocket ramjet test missile, is mounted on a Naval Weapons Center A-7 Corsair II aircraft at China Lake...

