

Preparations in final stage for annual Maturango Junction fete

Preparations are nearing their final stage for the annual Maturango Junction celebration, a family-oriented fund raiser for the benefit of the Maturango Museum building fund that will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18.

Balsam Street in Ridgecrest will be closed to traffic between Coso Street and Ridgecrest Boulevard, and booths will be erected and tables placed along each side of the center divider of Balsam Street — leaving most of the street and sidewalks free for pedestrians, shoppers, and participants in the variety of activities that are planned.

Several local organizations will carry out special events for the benefit of the museum building fund next week. This includes a joint venture by the China Lake Players and the Community Light Opera and Theater Association (CLOTA) at the Enlisted Mess on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 15 and 16.

Following a broasted chicken dinner, the two drama groups will present a melodrama entitled "Virtue Triumphant," and a variety show. Tickets for this dinner-theater night event are priced at \$6 and can be ordered by calling the museum at 446-6900. Advance reservations are required.

In addition, a luncheon and fashion show featuring wearing apparel of yesteryear from Donna's Costume Rental and variety show skits, will be held Monday evening and also at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, at Clancey's Claim Company restaurant in Ridgecrest. Tickets and information on this event also may be obtained by calling the museum.

Mock gunfights, bank robberies, and shotgun weddings — all carried out by appropriately costumed citizens of this wild

The International Chile Society has sanctioned a Chile cook-off, the arrangements for which are being handled by "Don Tee" Tilford. The number of contestants in this event, which will begin at 10 a.m. on Oct. 17, is limited, so those who are interested in displaying their culinary skill should contact Edna Laytart, administrative assistant at the Maturango Museum, by calling 446-6900 as soon as possible.

Among the booths that will be set up along Balsam Street for the Maturango Junction festivities will be a country store operated by the Altrusa Club, and others at which baked goods, gifts, jewelry, art and hand-craft items, and pottery will be offered for sale.

Among prizes to be given away to those who take in the Maturango Junction celebration are a desert landscape sketch by Sylvia Winslow, well-known desert artist; a stained glass work by Robert Burrows; and a handwoven stole made by Jo Downing, a local weaver.

Photo Society plans picture parlor at Maturango Junction

The China Lake Photographic Society will be participating in Maturango Junction activities on Balsam Street in Ridgecrest on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18.

The group will have a "Picture Parlor" in the vacated dental offices of Dr. Hansen, at the corner of Balsam and Panamint Streets. Inside the "Picture Parlor" black and white as well as color prints taken by the members will be offered for sale.

In addition, for those wishing to pose "on the spot," there will be a typical Western backdrop and costumes provided by CLOTA and Donna's Costumes. The Photo Society also will have roving photographers taking pictures. Also for a small fee, "instant" Polaroid copies will be made of old photographs, newspaper clippings, marriage licenses, or other items brought into the "Picture Parlor."

For tired Maturango Junction visitors, the Photo Society will show short film slide presentations of desert scenes inside the building. For the kids, local businessman Bob Cornelius is loaning the Photo Society his 19th-century fire engine which will provide a backdrop for some action-filled photographs.



HAPPY HOOVERS — Marlene and Bill Altieri, entertainment chairmen for Maturango Junction, will demonstrate their dancing ability as part of the variety show and melodrama to be presented at the Enlisted Mess on Oct. 15-16, and also during the festive weekend (Oct. 17-18) on Balsam Street in Ridgecrest.

Community Ctr. now has tickets for Navy Night at Disneyland

Tickets for Navy Night at Disneyland, which is scheduled on Saturday, Oct. 24, from 8:30 to 1:30 a.m., can now be obtained at the Community Center.

The Magic Kingdom will be closed to the general public on the evening of Oct. 24 and be reserved exclusively for Navy personnel and Department of Defense civilians.

The cost of tickets is \$6.65 per person for everyone except those under 2 years of age, who will be admitted free of charge. Tickets can be purchased on week days at the Community Center between the hours of 8 a.m. and 1 p.m., and from 2 to 4 p.m.

Ski Club to meet Tues.

An organizational meeting of the China Lake Ski Club will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Senior Citizens' Building on South Warner Street in Ridgecrest.

Purpose of the gathering will be to discuss plans for the coming season, to renew old memberships, and to sign up prospective new members.

MOVIES

Regular starting time 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, WEDNESDAY OCT. 9, 14
"THE AWAKENING"
 Starring
 Charlton Heston and Susannah York
 (Horror-drama, rated R, 101 min.)

SATURDAY OCT. 10
 3:30 p.m. Matinee
"THE ARISTOCATS"
 (Animated, rated G, 79 min.)
 7 p.m.
"POPEYE"
 Starring
 Robin Williams and Shelley Duvall
 (Action-comedy, rated PG, 114 min.)

SUNDAY OCT. 11
"WHEN TIME RAN OUT"
 Paul Newman and William Holden
 (Disaster-drama, rated PG, 109 min.)

MONDAY OCT. 12
"WINDWALKER"
 Starring
 Trevor Howard and Nick Ramus
 (Action-drama, rated PG, 107 min.)

FRIDAY OCT. 16
"AMERICAN POP"
 Starring
 Ron Thomas and Marya Small
 (Animated, rated R, 96 min.)



IT'S A HOLDUP — A make-believe bank robbery will be among the events planned as entertainment for visitors to the wild west boomtown of Maturango Junction. Behind the mask is Barbara Hintz, an employee of the NWC Federal Credit Union.

Marlene and Bill Altieri, entertainment chairmen, have made arrangements for an exhibition of square dancing by the Cactus Squares; singing by a local men's barbershop harmony chorus and the Sweet Adelines, their feminine counterpart; and instrumental music by school bands and orchestras.

A pancake breakfast, prepared and served by members of the Ridgecrest Kiwanis Club, will get things off to a good start at 7:30 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 17 and 18, and, in the evening fried chicken dinners will be sold by the Indian Wells Valley Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Weekend Roundup

There will be entertainment provided for members and guests of both the Chief Petty Officers' Club and the Enlisted Mess tonight.

At the CPO Club, "TNT," a contemporary rock-music group from Trona, led by Theresa Bagley, will provide music for listening and dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Diners at the CPO Club this evening will be offered the choice of prime ribs of beef or Icelandic cod. Dinner is served from 6 to 9 o'clock.

The EM will feature the music of "The Marlin," four guys and a gal from Dayton, Ohio, whose forte is rock music. Marlin will perform from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

Steak and shrimp will be featured in the EM dining room, for those who care to dine out from 6 to 9 o'clock.

Kern River Valley Historical Society's annual Antique and Collectibles Show will be held tomorrow and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Kernville Elementary School in Kernville.

The event is free to the public and will feature displays of antiques and historical memorabilia belonging to Society members.

The Society's Historical Museum, located in the community building, at the corner of Kernville Road and Sierra Way, near the school, will be open during the show. There is no admission charge and docents will be in attendance.

A weekend of luxury at the beach is being offered to all military personnel. The Newport Beach Marriott Hotel and Tennis Club will provide accommodations for two for a reduced military price of \$21 per person, per night, double occupancy, any Friday, Saturday, or Sunday night.

The hotel is located at 900 Newport Center Drive, Newport Beach, Calif. Advance reservations are required and can be made by calling the hotel at (714) 640-4000. Military I.D. is required upon check-in.

Orders being taken for truckload sale of seafood Oct. 19-20

Burroughs High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will again be sponsoring a truckload seafood sale featuring a wide variety of top quality Alaska seafood. The proceeds from the sale will be used for community service projects. FBLA members are now distributing price sheets and order forms, and persons wishing to order in advance must do so by Oct. 9.

Pre-order customers are assured of having their seafood saved for them, and the group earns more money on these items.

There is no payment on orders until the seafood is inspected and accepted by the buyer. Satisfaction is unconditionally guaranteed.

The seafood will be delivered by a giant Trans Alaska truck which will be parked in the Safeway Parking lot in Ridgecrest on Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 19 and 20, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Some of the seafood offered includes, Alaska salmon, smoked salmon, halibut, king crab, cod filets and shrimp.

Price lists and order forms can also be picked up at Burroughs High School. To place an order, mail forms to Burroughs or call 375-4476 ext. 68 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or 375-8765 or 375-5928 evenings.

Disneyland schedules federal employees' day

Federal employees day at Disneyland is scheduled on Monday, Oct. 12 (Columbus Day).

Unlimited use tickets priced at \$6.15 each are now on sale at the Community Center for those who wish to attend.

Hours of operation at Disneyland on Columbus Day will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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Compromise on Military Pay Bill reached

A compromise agreement on the 1981 Military Pay Bill that provides military pay raises ranging from 10 to 17 percent for enlisted personnel and a flat 14.3 percent pay boost for officers was approved on Wednesday by the House of Representatives.

The compromise pay bill, a product of negotiations between a conference committee composed of both Congressmen and Senators, was passed 417 to 1 by the House of Representatives and then sent to the Senate, where final action was expected later in the day on Wednesday.

At deadline time for this issue of the Rocketeer, no information was available on the U.S. Senate's action, which was to be followed by forwarding the Military Pay Bill to President Ronald Reagan for his signature.

The \$4.5 billion Military Pay Bill was made retroactive to last Thursday, Oct. 1, the start of the 1982 fiscal year. It reflects both the Senate's desire to provide pay raises for military personnel based on a sliding scale of from 7 to 22 percent as a means of helping to retain experienced personnel, and the original proposal of the House of Representatives to give all ranks an across-the-board pay boost of 14.5 percent.

The delay in reaching a compromise agreement on the House of Representatives and U.S. Senate versions of the 1981 Military Pay Bill means that any pay increase for military personnel may not be reflected in the paychecks to be issued on Oct. 15.

According to CWO3 Marty Tubbs, officer-in-charge of the Personnel Support Activity Detachment (PSD) at China Lake, lead time of between five and seven days is required to handle a change such as a military pay increase.

On Sept. 11, the U.S. Senate voted pay (Continued on Page 2)

At Skytop facility

Another forward step made in static test firing of large rocket motors

Another step forward in the static test firing of large rocket motors is being taken by employees of the Ballistics Test Branch in the NWC Range Department's Ordnance Test and Evaluation Division.

Challenged to come up with a suitable way to optimize data during Polaris second stage rocket motor tests, engineers and technicians set about the task of designing and constructing a test stand for the High Hazard area at Code 62's Skytop facility.

The project began in May 1980 with the addition of a steel structure to an existing multi-stage firing pad to allow the Polaris rocket motor to be static fired at an angle of 50 degrees.

EXTRA PRECAUTIONS TAKEN

When firing rocket motors to determine failure modes, it is necessary to design for protection of the test stand and equipment in the event of a failure. Engineers and technicians at the Skytop facility prepared for such an eventuality during testing of the Polaris second stage motor by designing the stand for optimum data acquisition capability while still protecting the stand and equipment in the event of a motor malfunction.

This was accomplished by not only providing a heavy steel structure but also a water deluge system that can deliver 2,000 gpm to the stand for 10 minutes. Also, an underground bunker was constructed to house and protect instrumentation used in the test. This insures that data will not be damaged or lost in the event of a motor failure, but will be available to facilitate pinpointing the probable cause of failure.

In setting up for these tests, engineers were particularly interested in getting photo coverage from above looking down on the forward dome of the motor during firing. Cameras mounted on tall, sturdy poles adjacent to the test stand made it possible to



ONE-OF-A-KIND IN THE U.S. — Static firing of large rocket motors that are locked into position at an angle of 50 degrees is now possible in the High Hazard area of the NWC Range Department's Skytop facility. Cameras mounted on tall, sturdy poles adjacent to the test stand make it possible to obtain a good view of a Polaris second rocket motor's forward dome, which was the focal point of interest during this series of tests. Flash X-ray and real time dynamic X-ray equipment and techniques that were adapted for use on this series of tests made it possible for test engineers to "see" what was happening inside the rocket motor during testing.

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Static firing of these Polaris second stage motors, a complicated task under these conditions, was made even more complex by the requirement to maintain the tem-

perature of the rocket motors within plus or minus two degrees of a specified temperature until about 60 seconds prior to firing. This was accomplished with an expendable conditioning shed that was jet-tensioned just prior to starting the 30 second countdown.

Flash X-ray and real-time dynamic X-ray equipment and techniques have also been adapted for use on this test series. This X-ray equipment provides the only means possible for test engineers to "see" what is happening inside the rocket motor during testing.

By the use of X-ray, coupled with a real time TV system that records data on tape, information is acquired that, when analyzed, can pinpoint problems related to propellant burn rate, integrity of the

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Naval Weapons Center directory, guide published

A new Naval Weapons Center guide and directory has been published and is now available for the asking.

Center employees or military personnel who would like to have a copy of this unofficial booklet need only call Natalie Harrison in the Public Affairs Office, phone NWC ext. 3481, and she will send a copy to them via guard mail.

Visitors or local area residents can pick up their copy of the NWC guide and directory by looking up Mrs. Harrison in Rm. 2027 of the NWC Administration Building.

The new directory was published by the Armed Services Press in Riverside.

Dr. Kutchma chosen to fill department head post

Capt. Jude Lahr has announced that the new head of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department will be Dr. Edward King Kutchma. Dr. Kutchma, who is currently attending the Harvard Business School in a program for Air Force senior

executives, will assume his new duties in January 1982.

He has been director of Data Automation at the Tactical Fighter Weapons Center, Nellis Air Force Base, Las Vegas, Nev., since 1978. His primary responsibilities

were to establish, design, plan, budget and implement the data automation program and advise the Commander on all aspects of data automation technology required. He supervised 56 analysts and programmers in this role.

Before that time (from 1973 to 1978), he was Senior Technical Engineer, heading a group of 137 engineers and technicians in being responsible for the design, development, and integration of data collection, instrumentation, real time range control display/debrief facilities and data processing for all data gathered at Nellis AFB.

Dr. Kutchma came to this job from serving as Chief of Operations Research at SAC/NORAD Joint Operations Task Force at Ent Air Force Base in Colorado. He began as an analyst at Ent after completing five years of service in the Air Force, most of which was spent at the Air Force Armament Laboratory at Eglin AFB in Florida.

While serving in the Air Force he was a program manager for various R&D efforts in aircraft and airfield survivability, and also worked with systems analysis in support of the Joint Munitions Effectiveness Manuals.

Dr. Kutchma, who also holds a Meritorious Civilian Service Medal, was a Federal Employee of the Year in 1976. He also received a postgraduate National

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REWARDING EVENT — Capt. Jude Lahr last week presented (l.-r.) Bob Hillyer, Burrell Hays, and Frank Knemeyer with Senior Executive Service (SES) bonus awards for their outstanding work during the past year. Hillyer and Hays are the Technical Director and Laboratory Director, respectively, while Knemeyer is head of the Weapons Planning Group. This is the second year of the award program to reward SES members monetarily for exceptional performance.

AD2 Jerald Brooks singled out as Sailor of Month by VX-5

Aviation Machinist's Mate Second Class Jerald Brooks has been selected as Sailor of the Month for August by Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five.

He is assigned to the Line Shack where he inspects the work done by about 40 personnel, records times and checks on aircraft movement to make sure that all flights are out on schedule.

AD2 Brooks came to VX-5 in September 1979 fresh out of "A" School at Millington, Tenn. His rapid promotion to his current rate is due in part to a lot of prior military experience — before he enlisted in the Navy, he had spent more than 13 years in the Army, serving as a sergeant first class.

Originally when he enlisted in the Army from college he tried to get into a band — his father is a musician — but got sent to the infantry instead. He served two years in Vietnam, and divided the rest of his service time between being stationed in the Republic of Panama and being stationed at Ft. Hood in Texas.

An increasing interest in aviation led him to finally consider getting out of the Army completely and enlisting in the Navy, which promised him a chance to get into the line of work that he wished. "A person's chance to learn is much better in the Navy than in the Army," AD2 Brooks says, adding that he is very pleased that he made the switch.

His wife Mercedes, whom he met while he was an exchange college student in Panama from Miami University of Florida, was a little doubtful about the switch from Army to Navy, but is now happily a Navy wife. They are the parents of five children: Lourdes, 21; Mercedes, 20; Pedro, 15; Jerald, 9; and Annabell, 8.

AD2 Brooks was delighted to be sent to California, hoping to get back to the beach; he grew up in Seaside, Calif., which is adjacent to Monterey.

"The desert's O.K., though," he says,

"because I can play softball here all year around and it's great place for running."

As Sailor of the Month for August, Petty Officer Brooks received a letter of commendation, a VX-5 plaque with his name inscribed upon it, a 72-hour weekend pass, and a month free of duty. He also received a reserved parking space at Hangar I for a month.



AD2 Jerald Brooks

Rec facilities open on holiday

The following hours of operation will be observed by business and recreational facilities at the Naval Weapons Center during the Columbus Day holiday on Monday.

Facility	Hours
Bowling Alley and Snack Bar	12 noon to 11 p.m.
Center Theater	Box office opens at 6:30 p.m.
Gymnasium	11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Golf Course	7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Golf Course Snack Bar	7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Skeet and Trap Range	8 a.m. to 12 noon
Navy Exchange Mini-Mart	10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Facilities not listed above will be closed all day Monday.

New stand facilitates rocket motor tests . . .

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liner/insulator bond during firing, and other rocket motor characteristics. The Skytop test area is the only place in the U.S. that has the capability of performing this kind of sophisticated test work.

The test stand was completed and the first firing successfully conducted in November 1980. There have now been five static firings of the Polaris second stage motor and three more are planned in this current test series.

The 50-degree angle of the test stand provided an added advantage in that gasses created by the propellant burn were deflected out and away from the rocket motor. This has made possible vastly improved photographic coverage in comparison to trying to take photos through the recirculated gasses, steam and dust that are developed during static firings of rocket motors in a vertical 90-degree nozzle down firing position.

(who has since retired).

The Public Works Department's Range Maintenance Crew (Code 26453), headed by Artie Blackston, did an excellent job of constructing the 50-degree test stand, assisted by employees of the PW Transportation Operations Branch (Code 2678). Outside machinists from the Ordnance Systems Department's Processing Support Branch (Code 3253), were involved in installation of the water system used for the test stand deluge system.

Testing of the Polaris rocket motor is being done by the Naval Weapons Center for the Strategic Systems Project Office. Interested observers have been British propulsion scientists and Naval officers whose ballistic missile submarines are currently armed with Polaris missiles. The test work is being carried out under an agreement between the U.S. and Great Britain.

The meticulous task of installing cabling and equipment in the instrumentation bunker was handled by technicians Francisco Felix, Pat Curran and Dale Metz of the Range Department's Instrumentation Branch (Code 6213), headed by Bill Francis

Be on lookout for ticks; take special care removing them

The tick season is once more here. Most of the ticks found in the Ridgecrest-China Lake area are the American dog tick (Dermacentor variabilis). This tick is a vector to humans of Rocky Mountain spotted fever and tularemia, as well as being a common cause of tick paralysis.

It is commonly found on dogs and man, but seldom found in homes unless carried in by a dog on which it is feeding and from which it drops to seek a hiding place.

Ticks usually become attached around the hair line, in the hair, or where tight-fitting clothing comes in contact with the skin. The simplest way to remove them is by a slow, steady pull that will not break off the tick's mouth parts and leave them in the wound.

While there is no certain way to ensure that a tick will detach its mouth parts, covering the tick with vaseline or fingernail polish will usually encourage the tick to back up. After anything from 10 minutes to a half an hour, the tick will have withdrawn its mouth parts and it can be removed with less damage to the skin.

An antiseptic should always be applied to tick bites just as to any open wounds. If hands have touched the tick during its removal, they should be washed with soap and water, since tick secretions may be infective.

Police reports . . .

Theft of a government-owned calculator was reported Monday to China Lake police by an employee in the Supply Department's headquarters building.

The calculator disappeared from atop a desk in a room that the occupant stated had been locked.

BURGLARY AT BEQ-3

A burglary of one of the rooms in BEQ-3 occurred sometime over the past weekend and was reported Monday by the victim, who lost \$100 in cash.

The money (five \$20 bills) had been left in an envelope that had been placed in the top drawer of a desk.

SILK FLOWERS SNITCHED

A bouquet of silk flowers, valued at \$21 disappeared sometime last week from the desk of a Supply Department employee who works in the building at 515 Blandly Ave. The theft was reported last Friday to China Lake police.

GOV'T JEEP STOLEN

A government-owned jeep disappeared last week from its parking place in the Public Works compound and has been reported stolen.

The jeep, a 1965 model, was taken sometime between Sept. 29 and 30, and the incident was reported on Oct. 1 to China Lake police. Whether or not the key had been left in the ignition of the vehicle is not known.

CAMPING GEAR TAKEN

Camping equipment valued at \$345 was stolen from a vehicle left in the parking lot behind the local Branch Medical Clinic of the Navy Regional Medical Center.

The owner of the car returned after a month's leave to discover that, although the doors were locked, entry had been gained through a wind wing that had been left open. Reported missing from the car, a 1975 Plymouth Duster, were a back pack, field jacket, camp stove, compass, and a knife.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER GONE

A fire extinguisher worth \$55 was removed from its storage place in the north hallway of BOQ-A, according to a report filed last week with China Lake police. Entry into the building is not locked.

TWO BICYCLES DISAPPEAR

Thefts of two bicycles were reported Tuesday to China Lake police.

In the first incident, a bicycle disappeared from the front porch of the residence at 1616 Hussey Rd. A chain secured by a lock had been run from the bike frame through the rear wheel spokes, but the thief was able to pick up the bicycle (valued at \$150) and walk off with it.

A bicyclist who was visiting a friend at 228 Shangrila Circle on Tuesday afternoon, left his two-wheeler unlocked on the front lawn. When he returned for the bike, it was gone. Value of the missing bicycle was set at \$120.

VEHICLE DAMAGED

A report of vandalism involving a motor vehicle was reported Tuesday to China Lake police by the vehicle owner, who left the machine parked outside his residence at 430 Ashworth Place. The vehicle's radio antenna was broken off and paint was chipped off the front quarter panel of the car. Damage was estimated at \$50.

Dr. Kutchma...

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Science Foundation Fellowship in Dynamic Computer Modeling in 1971.

He holds both a bachelor's and a master's degree from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., and a doctorate from the University of Colorado at Boulder. His experience includes teaching economics, operations research and statistics at the university level. Dr. Kutchma is also a certified ski instructor, and holds a patent on a ski teaching device.

He and his wife, Barbara, are the parents of Christy, 14, Julie, 13, and Sandy, who is 5.

Dr. Kutchma's favorite off-duty activities include, besides skiing, playing tennis and working with microcomputers.

Prospects look good for fishing over this long holiday weekend

The water is clearing well now after being rolled up as the result of recent earthquakes in the Mammoth area, and this would be a fine weekend to enjoy the glorious fall weather in the Owens Valley and north by catching a limit of trout.

Not all fishermen will be as skilled — and as lucky — as the one who caught a 12-lb., 3-oz. trout from shore at Rock Creek Lake using a nightcrawler. Other fishermen at Rock Creek Lake have been doing well with red salmon eggs and worms.

To the far north in the Bridgeport area, Upper and Lower Twin Lakes have been producing good catches of pan-sized rainbow trout caught on Zeke's floating bait and cheese, while a couple of 4-lb. brown trout found Rapala lures irresistible in Lower

NWC's Energy Week activities tied to events in Ridgecrest

The Energy Program Office announced this week that the Center will celebrate Energy Awareness Week on Nov. 15 to 21 rather than the Oct. 25-31 date chosen Navy-wide.

This change was approved by the Energy Conservation Steering Committee in order to coincide with the proposed Energy Fair planned for Nov. 21-22 at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds in Ridgecrest.

Navy Energy Awareness Week emphasizes that energy efficiency continues to be an essential element of combat readiness. Everyone throughout the Naval service — officers, enlisted, civilians and dependents — must take seriously the responsibility to eliminate wasteful and inefficient energy use.

Theme for the Energy Awareness Week is "Energy Is Readiness."

The Energy Fair in Ridgecrest is being sponsored by the Committee for Energy Awareness, Maturango Museum, and Cerro Coso Community College.

A highlight of the fair will be a talk by Dr. Paul MacCready, inventor of the "Solar Challenger," the solar powered aircraft that flew across the English Channel on July 7, 1981.

In addition to the participation by Dr. MacCready, there will also be commercial and private exhibits, electric vehicles, workshops, seminars, car care clinics, films, slide shows, hot air balloons, and many more attractions.

Twin.

Lee Vining Creek is still rewarding fishermen who use worms and eggs during the day and try fly fishing in the evening.

In the June Lake area, Gull Lake has been great for still fishing when the hooks have salmon eggs or floating bait. June Lake is also good for still fishing with cheese and worms, and trolling with Dave Davis, flies, red salmon eggs and nightcrawlers are resulting in limits of pan sized rainbows.

Those who enjoy spin casting from shore with lures are picking up nice catches of pan-sized rainbows in Silver Lake. Rush Creek always has good fishing with just about anything working. Favorites are flies, worms, cheese and eggs for 10- to 13-inch browns and rainbows. Convict Lake, now reopened after the quake, has had good shore fishing with white marshmallows for 12- to 16-inch rainbows.

Lake George in the Mammoth Lakes area has produced excellent catches for those who like to troll with Needle Fish lures. Lake Mary fishing is best at the inlets. Lots of brookies, browns and pan-sized rainbow trout in the 1-lb. class are going for worms and nightcrawlers.

Lower Twin Lake fly fishermen who use flies, olive wooly worms and spinners are getting excellent catches. Lake Mamie also reports excellent fishing using worms and nightcrawlers, gold spinner and streamer flies.

Lake Sabrina reports some nice limits of 12- to 13-inch rainbows being taken on lead core needlefish, Dave Davis or worms. South Lake fishing is good using salmon eggs, worms, or cheese baits.

Bishop Creek continues to be good fishing, and the Owens River fishing is perking up. Use crickets in the Owens right now for the best results.

Night crawlers, salmon eggs and worms are producing the best results in Independence Creek, Oak Creek and Symmes Creek. Lone Pine Creek reports that eggs and worms are tasty to pan-sized rainbow trout.

Firing Officers' course

Enrollment is open in a Firing Officers' Course that will be held from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Safety Office (corner of Nimitz Avenue and Hussey Road) on Oct. 27, 28 and 29.

Employees interested in attending must submit a training request and authorization form via department channels in time for it to reach Code 2405 no later than Oct. 20.



WELCOME ABOARD — Joseph K. Taussig, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Civilian Personnel Policy and EEO Policy, is greeted by Bob Hillier, the Center's Technical Director, as he departs from a Navy aircraft at Armitage Airfield. Taussig was at China Lake Wednesday for an overview of Center activities and meetings with Eva Bien, NWC Personnel Officer, and Steve Sanders, Demonstration Project Coordinator. —Photo by Don Cornelius

Nomination of candidates for Woman of Yr. award due Oct. 16

Those who wish to nominate a candidate for either the Federal Women's Program woman of the year award or the supervisor of the year award should do so promptly because all nominations must be received by Code 094 by next Friday, Oct. 16.

Anyone can nominate a co-worker, either military or civilian, to be the woman of the year. The nominee must have had at least two years' of service at the Center by next Friday, and may be in any career field.

Criteria for selection include that the nominee must maintain a professional demeanor, serve as a role model for others, must have loyalty and dedication to the organization, must be self-starting and self-motivating, must perform high quality work, and takes leadership roles in community activities, being an excellent representative of the Center.

Nomination forms can be obtained from Belle Hervey, Code 094, by telephoning NWC ext. 2686.

Supervisors must also have been at NWC for at least two years to be nominated. They must have shown themselves to be supportive of their employees' goals, and must have demonstrated willingness to both provide feedback to employees and to listen to it from their employees.

Nominations can also be made for the perpetual trophy presented to the NWC department that not only has shown support continuously for the FWP, but can be counted on to lend its expertise as well as its material and personnel resources to further the goals of the Federal Women's Program and equal employment opportunity.

All departments will be considered for this award, but additional recommendations on the part of employees is sought.

Awards will be presented at the Federal Women's Program banquet on Nov. 18.

Sydney Shefler memorial service held Oct. 7 at All Faith Chapel

Sydney Shefler, 60, one of the few remaining people at the Naval Weapons Center whose career as an employee goes back to the time (in the latter part of World War II) when the California Institute of Technology was involved in experimental rocket development work here, died last Friday.

A memorial service for Shefler was held Wednesday afternoon at the All Faith Chapel. The service was conducted by his brother-in-law, the Rev. Timothy Paul Akers, pastor of the Utica Baptist Church in Utica, Mo.

The deceased, who had been hired as a rocket design engineer by the Naval Ordnance Test Station, Inyokern (forerunner to NWC) on Nov. 1, 1945, died on Oct. 2 at the Mira Loma Hospital near Lancaster, Calif., where he was receiving medical care following a head injury.

Shefler is survived by his wife, Jolly, of 1402 Kearsarge Ave., China Lake; two sons, Stanley and Michael Shefler, who are Ridgecrest residents; and a married daughter, Barbara Jan Boyd, who flew here from the Island of Cyprus when notified of her father's serious condition.

Other survivors include two brothers, Marvin and Alvin Shefler, and a sister,

Esther Feig, all of whom live in the Chicago, Ill., area, and three granddaughters, An-jemette, 9, Sally, 8 and 5-month-old

Suzanne, who are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shefler.

In lieu of flowers, the family asked that contributions be donated to the Utica Baptist Church in Utica, Mo.

At the time of his death, Shefler, a supervisory general engineer, was head of the Engineering Support Branch in the NWC Engineering Department, and had been employed in that capacity for the past four years. Employees in this branch (Code 3662) are involved in product improvement programs for the components of Sidewinder, Sparrow and Harpoon missiles, as well as HARM (High-speed Anti-Radiation Missile), and closely monitor contractor production efforts. In addition, they provide technical support for production of the missiles to the sponsoring Naval Air Systems Command and Naval Sea Systems Command.

Along with his branch head responsibilities, Shefler also served as secretary of NWC's Ammunition Safety Committee, a group that reviews (for safety purposes) any testing or shipping of new or experimental weapons.

Shefler joined the work force at China Lake as an employee in November 1945 in the old Rocket Department and transferred to the Engineering Department in 1957.



Sydney Shefler

