



ALL DRESSED — Members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess who served as models for fashions shown at WACOM's fall fashion show on Nov. 10 included (l. to r.) Barbara Tunget; Pat Bonner, publicity chairman for the show, Wilma Gartrell; Carol Benton; Lynn Thomas, decorations chairman; and Deanna Riply-Lotee. The well-attended show is always a highlight of WACOM's fall season. — Photo by Don Cornelius

### 'Nutcracker' ballet to be staged Dec. 14 at Center theater

A holiday season treat for Indian Wells Valley residents is coming up on Monday evening, Dec. 14, at the Center Theater.

The curtain will go up at 7:30 p.m. on the Santa Barbara Ballet's fully-staged production of "The Nutcracker."

Members of the dance troupe are winding up a tour of the Orient and will arrive back in this country on the day prior to their performance here.

There also will be a special ballet program for students on the morning of Dec. 14 during which members of the Santa Barbara Ballet company will perform to other music of the famous Russian composer Petr Ilich Tchaikovsky.

Tamara Usher, artistic director for the Santa Barbara Ballet, is the choreographer for dancers who will be performing here — both for the student program and the evening performance at the Center theater.

This full-length, fully-staged and costumed professional production is being sponsored by the Daily Independent newspaper in Ridgecrest, and reservations for both the morning and evening performance can be made at the newspaper office.

The general admission price for the evening program is \$7, \$6, and \$5, depending upon the location of seats in the Center theater, with a \$1 reduction in the regular price being offered for students, senior citizens and enlisted military personnel.

School children who attend the morning performance of ballet dance numbers will be charged \$1 each.

Leading roles for the evening performance of "The Nutcracker" will be danced by Tishia Hicks as Clara and Gary McKenzie as the Nutcracker Prince. The part of Clara's sister Marie will be performed by Shirin Keyani, who becomes the Sugar Plum Fairy while her fiancé (Thom Lake) is her Cavalier.

The roles of the Snow Queen and her partner will be danced by Alik St. Dennis and John Gaydos.

Local dance students will be invited to join the cast and appear as children and toys.

#### Energy conservation tip

As the nights become cooler, add a blanket instead of turning on the heat. You'll save energy and heating costs, even if you use an electric blanket.

**MOVIES**

(G) ALL AGES ADMITTED  
General Audiences  
(PG) ALL AGES ADMITTED  
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(R) RESTRICTED  
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Regular starting time 7:00 p.m.

**FRI., SUN., MON. NOV. 27, 29, 30**  
"SUPERMAN II"  
Starring Christopher Reeve and Margot Kidder (Adventure, rated PG, 127 min.)

**SATURDAY NOV. 28**  
3:30 Matinee  
"THE APPLE DUMPLING GANG RIDES AGAIN"  
Starring Don Knotts and Tim Conway (Comedy, rated G, 89 min.)  
7 p.m.  
"TESS"  
Starring Wastasia Kinski and Peter Firth (Drama, rated PG, 172 min.)

**WEDNESDAY DEC. 2**  
"EYE WITNESS"  
Starring Sigourney Weaver and William Hurt (Mystery, rated R, 102 min.)

**FRI., SUN. DEC. 4, 6**  
"ON THE RIGHT TRACK"  
Starring Gary Coleman and Maureen Stapleton (Comedy, rated PG, 98 min.)

### Survey of interest in exercises classes is now being made

A survey to determine the number of persons interested in attending a stretch and jazz exercise class and an aerobic dance class is now being made by the Recreation Division of the NWC Recreational Services Division.

At this time, it is proposed that the stretch and jazz exercise class be held on Tuesdays and Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m., while the aerobic dance class is scheduled to be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Persons interested in attending either of these two classes are asked to call the office at the Center gym, phone NWC ext. 2334, and leave their name and telephone number.

If other hours or days of the week are preferred, this information also is being sought from those who call the gym office.

Since this is a public hearing, all interested persons will have the opportunity to air their views on this matter. According to Bill Eichenberg, city administrator, however, the hearing is being held primarily to hear testimony from those now living in the area that is proposed for annexation.

#### Tickets now available for New Year's fete at COM

Tickets are now on sale for a New Year's Eve celebration that will take place at the Commissioned Officers' Mess on Thursday, Dec. 31.

The price of \$18.50 per person includes party favors, a complete dinner featuring New York cut steak as the main entree, a split of champagne for two with dinner, more champagne at midnight, and a steak and eggs breakfast (served from 1 to 2 a.m. on Jan. 1).

The New Year's eve fete will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served starting at 7:30. Dancing and listening to the music of a musical group ("Walls of Fire") is scheduled from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

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## Fed'l Women's Program award winners announced during banquet on Nov. 19



CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER — Capt. Lahr offers his congratulations to Elena Vitale (upper photo), winner of the Federal Women's Program "Woman of the Year" award, and to Brenda Burnett (lower photo), who was singled out as "Supervisor of the Year" at NWC. — Photo by Don Cornelius

At the sixth annual Federal Women's Program Awards Banquet held Nov. 19, Elena Vitale was named "Woman of the Year;" Brenda Burnett, "Supervisor of the Year;" and the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department was singled out as the most outstanding support to Equal Employment Opportunity during the year.

When Rebecca Conner, chair of the FWP Committee, read the names of the nominees for each award to the more than 200 people attending the banquet, she noted that the selections of the winners were extremely difficult to make because "each of these nominees were clearly winners."

Ms. Vitale received two separate nominations for her award (one of which was in verse). Both pointed out her creativity, her initiative, and her totally positive "can-do" attitude. The quality of her work was also rated as outstanding on both nominations.

A category added to this year's nomination called for involvement in community affairs, where Ms. Vitale truly shone. She has not only been active in the Community Light Opera and Theater Association, but also has written and appeared in benefits for the Cancer Society, Maturango Museum and Sunshine House,

activity-work center for the handicapped. She also has served as a volunteer basketball coach for St. Ann's School and for the NWC Recreational Services Department.

Ms. Vitale, who is an audiovisual production specialist in the Technical Information Department, has used her job expertise to put together an informational slide show for the Ridgecrest gymnastics program, and is now working on a similar production for the Burroughs Boosters.

Brenda Burnett, who heads Financial Management Advisor Branch A in the Budget Division of the Office of Finance and Management, was nominated both for the Woman of the Year Award and the Supervisor of the Year honor.

The letter nominating her for the Supervisor's Award particularly praises her ability to communicate — both to listen carefully and to respond with relevant feedback in a non-threatening manner.

She is equally supportive of men and women in her organization, the letter notes, taking time to ascertain the goals that each employee has and helping each person select training classes and assignments that will be meaningful to that individual's own career.

These characteristics in particular make her an outstanding supervisor according to the nomination signed by one of the co-workers in her branch.

The Aircraft Weapons Integration Department was nominated as Department of the Year for several factors: the number of women selected under its upward mobility program and undergraduate fellowship program, development of career paths for non-professional employees in-

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## Hearing slated on proposed annexation by city

A public protest hearing on the proposed annexation by the City of Ridgecrest of an area within the boundaries of the Naval Weapons Center that is approximately 7½ square miles in size will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1, in the City Council chamber, 139 Balsam St., Ridgecrest.

Road before swinging over to the San Bernardino County line. From there it goes far enough north to take in the sewage disposal and wastewater treatment plant.

The northern boundary line extends from the San Bernardino County line west to a point two miles north of the NWC main gate. South from the main gate, the west boundary is China Lake Boulevard.

The hearing on the evening of Dec. 1 will be conducted by the Ridgecrest City Council, with Mayor Harold Hockett, presiding. It is to be conducted under the provisions of the Municipal Organization Act of 1978.

In reaching this point in the proposed annexation process, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was prepared and copies sent to the Naval Weapons Center, the Kern County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), the State of California and all affected government agencies.

The EIR, which was prepared by the consulting firm of Quad Associates, was reviewed and approved by the Naval Weapons Center, as well as by officials representing Kern County and the state of California.

The desire of Ridgecrest city officials to have control over planning in connection with the use of the vacant land and housing due to be declared excess to the Navy's needs, particularly the property that has a potential for commercial development along the east side of North China Lake Boulevard, triggered municipal interest in annexation of additional land to the City of Ridgecrest.

Subsequently, study of the proposed annexation grew to include an area extending two miles north of the main gate and then east to the Kern-San Bernardino County line and south to the Trona Road (East Ridgecrest Boulevard) in order to

## Late contributions boost CFC fund drive to \$133,802

Late contributions — which are still welcome — have pushed the total for this year's Combined Federal Campaign to \$133,802.94 as of last Friday, Nov. 20.

According to Loretta King, the CFC coordinator for this campaign, 42.4 percent of the Center's employees have joined in contributing to the worthy causes represented.

She asks that any outstanding pledge cards be turned in promptly so that the necessary paperwork for closing out the campaign can be completed.



GENEROUS GIFT — Connie Ottinger, treasurer of the Thrift Shop, gives Cdr. J. D. Allen, NWC's senior chaplain, a check for \$2,160 for the Navy Relief Society, as Alice Tyler, the local NRS Chairman of Volunteers, watches. Half of the Thrift Shop's profits are given to the NRS twice each year to support that organization's operation. Lending his mother support at lower left is young Greg Ottinger.

### Literacy Class members treated to festive Thanksgiving dinner

Foreign-born members of the China Lake Literacy Class were treated to a Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings on Thursday night of last week in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel.

For the ninth year in a row, the tutors of this class, which is sponsored by the Protestant Congregation of the All Faith Chapel, prepared this special holiday meal for the students in order to acquaint them with the significance of this traditional American holiday.

Most of the 35 students currently enrolled in the China Lake Literacy Class brought a Cutting Christmas trees forbidden in Sequoia Nat'l Forest

Christmas tree cutting by individuals or groups for personal use is not allowed in the Sequoia National Forest, according to a recent reminder issued by Joe J. Brown, forest supervisor.

Brown noted that each Christmas season, some individuals and groups illegally cut their own evergreen trees on National Forest lands. The Forest Service will have patrols in the field and will be cooperating with the County Sheriffs' Departments during the Christmas season to prevent this from happening.

Violation of State and Federal laws pertaining to cutting Christmas trees for personal use may result in citations to appear in court, confiscation of the tree, and fines of up to \$500 and/or a six-month jail sentence.

Persons who cut trees on privately owned land within the Sequoia National Forest boundaries must possess a valid owner's written consent.

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### Promotional opportunities

Applications (Standard Form 171) should be put in the drop box located at the Reception Desk of the Personnel Department, Bldg. 34. Unless otherwise specified in an ad, applications for positions listed in this column will be accepted from current permanent NWC employees only. All others desiring employment at NWC may contact the Employment, Wage & Classification Division, Code 092, Ext. 2069. 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. Advertising positions in the Promotional Opportunities column does not preclude the use of alternative recruiting sources in filling these positions. The filling of these positions through Merit Promotion is subject to the requirements of the DoD Program for the Stability of Civilian Employment. The minimum qualification requirements for all GS positions and positions subject to the Demonstration Project are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118; those for all wage system positions are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118C. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of experience, training, education, and awards as indicated in a written record consisting of a SF-171, at least one supervisory appraisal if it can be obtained, and any tests, medical examinations, interviews, and supplemental qualifications requirements that may be necessary. For managerial/supervisory positions, consideration will be given to applicant's support of the Equal Employment Opportunity programs and objectives. Applicants must meet time in grade and qualifications requirements by the closing date of the ad. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason.

Announcement No. 00-022, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4, PD No. 800063N, Code 91 — This position provides secretarial support to the Office of the Technical Director, the Assistant to the Executive Committee and the Consultant to the Technical Director. Duties include: maintaining calendar; setting up regular and special conferences and meetings; receives and directs visitors and phone calls; reviews and prepares correspondence; receives and screens incoming mail; maintains files; prepares travel orders and itineraries, etc. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Promotion potential to GS-5. Supplemental Qualifications Statement required along with SF-171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Building, Rm. 102.

Announcement No. 0864, Budget Clerk, GS-501-4, PD No. 7708044, Code 0832 — This position is located in the Office of Finance and Management, Budget Division. The incumbent will provide fiscal clerical support to the branch or any of the departments it serves. Incumbent assists in preparing overhead budgets and reports; monitors in customer and job order numbers; processes travel orders and/or material requisition actions. Job Relevant Criteria: Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines under pressure; ability to work rapidly and accurately; ability to work with figures; and knowledge of accounting or budget clerical procedures.

Announcement No. 1009, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, PD 7912059N, Code 12 — This position is located in the Weapons Planning Group and reports to the Program Director for NWC Corporate Planning. Major duties include receiving visitors, telephone calls and mail; typing correspondence; preparing correspondence; processing travel orders; security clearances and itineraries; scheduling conferences and meetings; and maintaining supervisor's calendar and files. Job Relevant Criteria: Must be proficient typist; must have thorough knowledge of Center clerical procedures; must be able to deal with a wide variety of clerical and administrative procedures. Previous applicants need not apply.

Announcement No. 26-250, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4, PD No. 8126017N, Code 2442 — This position provides secretarial support in the Maintenance-Utilities Division, Public Works Department. Duties include: maintaining calendar; setting up regular and special meetings; receiving and directing visitors and phone calls; reviewing correspondence; receiving and screening incoming mail; maintaining files; preparing travel orders and itineraries, etc. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences.

Announcement No. 26-252, Air Conditioning Equipment Mechanic, WG-3398-4, JD No. 342N, Code 2620 — This position is in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the Public Works Department. The incumbent installs, maintains, and repairs refrigeration and air conditioning equipment and components. Equipment includes evaporative A/C units and gas and steam heating units. Performs duties and tasks requiring more skills than helper level and includes under journeyman supervision tasks and duties of a journeyman refrigeration and air conditioning mechanic. Installs refrigeration and air conditioning systems by positioning compressors, motors, condensers, humidifiers, evaporators, heaters and other components; installs and connects auxiliary and control mechanisms and piping and tubing; connects recording and gauging devices; charges systems with gas and tests for leaks; starts and adjusts for proper operations; repairs and overhauls refrigeration and air conditioning plant components by disassembly, inspection, and replacement of defective parts, and reassembly, adjustment and shop tests. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision; technical practices and trade theory; ability to read and interpret blueprints, instructions, specifications, etc.; ability to use hand tools and measuring equipment; trouble shooting; materials. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 26-253, Plumber, WG-4265-9, JD No. 202N, Code 2441D — This position is in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the Public Works Department. The incumbent is required to lay out, assemble and install pipes and fittings for the following heating systems: hot water, domestic water, steam and power air (high and low pressure) or any job that requires pipe and fittings regardless of materials used. The incumbent sets, hangs, and installs plumbing fixtures, hot water tanks, heating boilers. The incumbent will be required to test, maintain and repair all piping systems. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision; ability to plan, layout and set up work; ability to use and maintain plumbing tools and equipment and materials; ability to read, interpret and work from instructions, blueprint, work orders, plumbing codes, etc.; ability to perform a variety of work in the assembly, installation, and repair of plumbing equipment.

Announcement No. 32-032, Mechanical Engineer, DP-830-2/3, Physicist DP-1310-2/3, Computer Scientist, DP-1310-2/3, Electronics Engineer DP-855-2/3, PAC 813302E, Code 3362 — (Interdisciplinary) C positions. This position is located in the Naval Weapons Center, Interactive Graphics Program Office of the Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent serves as the focal point for applications for IAG system users. The incumbent will play a leading role in the operational development of the latest computer

Supervisory Contract Administrator, DA-1102-3, PAC No. 8125259, Code 25243 — This position is located in the R&D Service Contract Administration Section, Contracts Branch, Contracts Division, Supply Department. The incumbent's position which is concerned with contract management and maintenance from the point of contract award through physical and financial completion involving the following: Serves as the technically expert leader and supervisor of a group of specialists responsible for a program area; reviews, prepares, solicits, negotiates and administers contracts of a complex nature in the \$10,000 to multi-million dollar range; serves as a Center expert whose actions have major Center-wide impact and/or affect major technical programs; must carry out EEO policies and communicate support of these policies to subordinates. The incumbent must have extensive education and/or experience in the contracts area and must be able to handle problems and assignments of marked difficulty. Contact Person: Lcdr. Mike Younker, Head 252, Contracts Division, Ext. 3801/2053.

Table with 2 columns: Religion and Services. Rows include Protestant (Sunday Worship Service, Sunday School, Sunday Masses, Daily Mass, Sunday Religious Education Classes), Roman Catholic (Sunday Masses, Daily Mass, Sunday Religious Education Classes), Jewish (Friday in the East Wing), and Unitarian (Sunday, Annex 95, announced).

### Navy team loses . . .

(Continued from Page 6) The NWC varsity basketball team also found itself in trouble early in the game at Nellis AFB on Sunday, and fell behind 54-36 at halftime. The airmen then came out strong at the start of the second half and, after 4 min. had elapsed, were cruising along with a 30-point bulge.

With things getting out of hand, Ken Dorrell, player-coach for the NWC varsity, called a time out and once again went for a change in tactics that called for a full court press, and man-to-man type of defense.

This everything-to-gain, nothing-to-lose approach was effective, as the China Lakers cut the Nellis AFB team's lead to 5 points with 6 min. left to play in the game.

A scoreless lull then ensued for about a minute during which the NWC varsity players missed a series of free throws that could have tied the score.

Still in the contest, the China Lakers had a player (Millard Bell) ejected by the officials and two others from Nellis were waved to the bench by the game officials before the dust had settled in this fracas.

This left the local team minus one of its key players, and the Nellis squad began breaking loose inside for easy baskets that led to a 107-91 final margin of victory.

Skip McIntosh of NWC was the game's high point man with 38 while Bell hit 16, and Dorrell and Ken Daniels tallied 15 and 11 points, respectively.

### Youth soccer . . .

(Continued from Page 6) The Cosmos. Paul Ashton scored for the Earthquakes and John Johnson countered for the Cosmos in what was a well-played game.

In rolling up a 4-0 win over the Aztecs, the Sockers were led by the 2-goal effort of Shaun Hamilton, and 1 goal each by David Caraker and Josh Phillips.

The evenly matched teams of Division 2 found their scoring efforts largely thwarted in the final games of the season. The Rowdies and Apollos defeated the Sunshine and Fury, respectively, by identical scores of 1-0, while the Express and Chiefs battled to a scoreless tie.

An early goal by Todd Mather, assisted by Steven Lundwall, turned out to be enough of an edge for the Rowdies to defeat Sunshine 1-0.

In the matchup between the Apollos and Fury, scoring was limited to a single goal by Ted Mechtenberg of the Apollos in another 1-0 game.

The Cobras of Division 1 celebrated the end of the Youth Soccer season by pummeling the Coyotes 7-1. Scores of other games in this division were Owls 1, Roadrunners 0, and Hawks 2, Eagles 0.

Jared Gonzalez broke out of a scoring slump to tally all 7 goals for the Cobras in their 7-1 win over the Coyotes.

In a fast-moving game, Mike Matson scored the only goal for the Owls in their 1-0 defeat of the Roadrunners.

Big plays by Aaron Robertson, coupled with the scoring (2 goals) of Eddie LaComb resulted in a 2-0 win by the Hawks over the Eagles in the season finale.

### Registration open for master's bowling tourney

Registration is now open for the second annual master's bowling tournament that will be held at Hall Memorial Lanes beginning on the weekend of Dec. 12-13.

Entry forms can be picked up at the bowling alley service desk and must be returned (along with the \$15 entry fee) no later than Dec. 9.

Each entrant will bowl five games on Dec. 12 and five more on Dec. 13. Based on scores after these ten games have been rolled, the top 50 percent of the bowlers will compete on Saturday, Dec. 19, in an elimination event that will reduce the number of those eligible to continue to just ten bowlers who will vie on Dec. 20.

Starting off with three games on the morning of Dec. 20, five more bowlers will be eliminated, leaving just the top five in contention to compete for first through fifth place in the master's tournament — all of whom will be awarded trophies for their efforts.



KIDS' CRAFT CLASSES OFFERED — Registration is now being taken at the Community Center for six different handcraft classes that are open for children from 8 through 12 years of age. Students will be taught how to make a variety of handmade items that can be given away as gifts at Christmas time. As this photo was taken, Cindy Chrisekos (in center), an employee at the Community Center who will be teaching one of the handcraft classes, keeps a watchful eye on the efforts of two prospective students — Michelle Grenier (at left) and David Day. The craft classes, which will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m., are scheduled on Dec. 7, 9, 11, 14, 16 and 18. There is a registration fee of \$9 per student that includes instruction and the cost of the materials. Additional information can be obtained by calling NWC ext. 2010. — Photo by Don Cornelius

### Cerro Coso cagers win overtime thriller . . .

(Continued from Page 6) That still left the Rams with the ball and 1-point lead which they were trying to nourish along, but hadn't reckoned on the speedy moves of Moline, who picked off a pass and drove in for the hoop to score a field goal that won the game 64-63 for Cerro Coso.

In addition to Moline's 31 points on 13 field goals and 5 free throws, the Coyotes also got 10 points each from Terry Collins and Romeo Ward. Top scorer for the Fresno CC Rams was Adams with 17, while Brian Setenech hit 16, and Stallings and Cleveland tallied 10 points each.

Treating local college basketball fans to a second last-minute victory on Saturday night, the Cerro Coso cagers, who trailed 24-20 in a low-scoring first half against Porterville, rallied in the last 8 min. of play to overcome a 40-30 deficit and win by 2 points (47-45).

The Coyotes were able to take advantage

of the Porterville team's scoring drought late in the game to tie the score at 43-43 on a hoop by Romeo Ward. This bucket, which came with just over 4 min. left to play in the game, was countered by a pair of free throws by John Foster for the Pirates, who edged ahead a minute later 45-43.

That, however, turned out to be all of the scoring for the visitors from Porterville, who gave up a basket on a drive to the hoop by Terry Collins of the Coyotes that once again tied the score — this time at 45-45 — and Moline once again came through with a key basket for Cerro Coso to win the game 47-45.

Moline was the Coyotes' leading scorer with 20, while Ward pumped in 11. The Porterville Pirates had just one player in the double-figure scoring column and that was Gavin Copeland, who tallied 12.

Cerro Coso's home season opener against Antelope Valley College was a lopsided

### 2 Navy marksmen win trophies at match in Avenal

Two members of the Naval Weapons Center rifle team returned home with five trophies for their efforts after competing last weekend in the Avenal Gun Club's silhouette match.

The winners from China Lake were Lt. Denny Wilcox and FTMC Nelson Foucher.

Lt. Wilcox, with 26 out of a possible 40 hits on silhouette targets that were placed at a distance of between 200 and 500 meters from the firing line, was first in the Double A Division on Saturday, while FTMC Foucher was second with 23 hits.

Both men fired high powered rifles — Lt. Wilcox had a .308 and FTMC Foucher's choice was a 7mm. All firing was done from the standing (off hand) position.

When competition was renewed on Sunday, Lt. Wilcox again won the Double A Division with 22 out of a possible 40 hits, and his combined scores for the two days (48) earned him first place overall in the Double A Division.

After all scores had been tallied, FTMC Foucher was the runner-up in the Double A Division.

contest from the outset as the visitors from Lancaster piled up a 39-23 first half lead, and then went on to win, going away, by a score of 81-56.

The Coyotes closed to within 11 points of their opponents from AV on two field goals by Terry Collins and one by Moline shortly after the start of the second half, but that was the nearest they came to catching up with the opposing team.

Outside shooting by Jay Veney, a guard for AV, served to draw out the Cerro Coso defenders and opened up the inside to forwards John Davis and Marshall McKinnon. Between them, these three players tallied all except 14 of their team's points. The top scorer was Veney, who hit 20, while McKinnon had 19 and Davis tallied 18.

Moline led the Coyotes with 23 points. Terry Collins had 13, and Romeo Ward chipped in 11 in a losing cause for Cerro Coso.

### Promotional opportunities

(Continued from Page 2) Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 26-254, Electrician, WG-2805-8, JD No. 316N, Code 2442T — This position is in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the Public Works Department. Incumbent plans proposed installations from blueprints, sketches and specifications; cuts pipe, size, threads, assembles, and fuzes to building framework, and pulls wire through conduit. Lays out, assembles, installs, and tests electrical fixtures, apparatus, control equipment, and wiring used in the alarm, radio communication, light, and power systems of buildings. Splices wires, cables, and auxiliary equipment; replaces defective wiring, overhauls and repairs motors; performs non-scientific electronics work of experimental nature, maintains and repairs electrical and electronic equipment in boiler plants. Job Relevant Criteria: Use of electrical test equipment; knowledge of electrical theory; electrical drawings; hand and power tools; safety and dexterity; ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision; technical practices. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 26-255, Painter, WG-4102-9, JD No. 202N, Code 2441F — This position is located in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the Public Works Department. Incumbent prepares wood, metal, brick, and masonry surfaces for painting. Paints interiors and exteriors of all types of buildings and apartments. Paints guard rails, fences, barricades, towers, curbing, and tanks using brushes, rollers, and spray equipment. Blends colors, mixes paints, and other protective materials according to directions. Job Relevant Criteria: Technical practices; instructions and specifications; ability to use and maintain tools and equipment of the trade; knowledge of materials; dexterity and safety; ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required along with SF-171 and may be picked up at the reception desk in the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 34-016, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5/6, PD No. 8034009N, Code 34 — Incumbent serves as secretary to the head, Technical Information Department, provides office services, assures that the secretaries within the department receive proper training and close liaison with administrative and budget personnel. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review, control, screen, and distribute incoming mail; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff or processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences.

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aided engineering technology. Responsibilities include requirements definition, design and development, acquisition, test and evaluation, documentation, technician assistance and coordination of IAG software and hardware. The incumbent will be assigned responsibility for a variety of projects and will coordinate his/her efforts and the efforts of other government and contractor professionals and technical people. The position requires regular contact with technical associates, contractors and Center managers. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to analyze technical requirements; ability to work effectively with various organizations and levels at NWC and with contractors; computer and software experience is desirable; ability to work independently. Previous applicants need not reapply.

Announcement No. 34-016, Audio Visual Production Specialist, GS-1011-9/11, PD 8134038, Code 3444 — This position is located in the Presentations Development Branch, Graphic Arts Division, Technical Information Department. The incumbent writes and produces audiovisual presentations on NWC programs and facilities, conveying pertinent information to management and technical personnel. Operates and maintains audio-visual equipment including multi-image micro-processor, electronic programming systems for 35mm slide projectors. Works with photographers, graphic designers, illustrators, motion picture and TV production specialists. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to creatively write audio-visual presentation scripts; familiarity with the operation of state-of-the-art A/V equipment, including sophisticated multi-image programming systems; knowledge of NWC programs and supporting technology; skill in interpersonal relationships with all levels of NWC employees.

Announcement No. 38-028, Computer Specialist, DA-3343-PAC No. 8138542, Mathematical, DP-1520-3, or Physicist DP-1310-3, Code 3874 — This position is located in the Integrated Data Management Branch, Computer Services Division, Research Department. The incumbent evaluates existing software packages and proposed software techniques to incorporate acceptable techniques into production packages. Results of these evaluations will be presented in publications and seminars. The incumbent will develop, implement and maintain computer programs that require data management techniques. Incumbent will also take classes and obtain training as necessary to keep current in the state of the art in computer science. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to lead; knowledge and experience pertinent to the position; ability to interpret instructions; ability to meet and deal effectively with others; ability to meet deadlines under pressure. Applications will be accepted from status eligibles.

Announcement No. 25-071 Procurement Clerk/Procurement Assistant, GS-1104-5/6/7, PD No. 8125205, 8025207, 8025058, Code 25241 — This position is located in the Contract Administration Section, Contracts Branch, Contracts Division, Supply Department. The incumbent assists in administering complex contracts for R & D items, supplies, and services. This position requires the performance, reviewing the contract file for complete documentation and initiating contract modifications. The incumbent is also required to initiate close-out correspondence with the contractor, property administrator, auditor and patent counsel as required. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of Procurement Request preparation procedures; knowledge of Defense Acquisition Regulations and NAVSUP Publication 467; ability to gather, assemble and verify information; ability to deal effectively with personnel at all levels, both on and off-Center. Applications will be accepted from status eligibles.

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### 2nd half rallies fall short, Navy cagers lose 2 tilts

Two second half rallies fell short of overcoming sizable deficits as the NWC varsity cagers were defeated by their counterparts from Norton and Nellis Air Force Bases in a pair of Desert Regional Interservice Basketball League games last weekend.

In Friday night's game at Norton AFB in San Bernardino, the China Lakers trailed by a dozen points at the halftime intermission, and fell behind as much as 20 points before making a determined effort to avoid getting "blown out" of the opposing team's gym.

Changing tactics, the NWC varsity switched from a zone defense to an aggressive full-court press that enabled the local hoopsters to cut the airmen's lead to 5 points with only 3 minutes left to play in the second half.

The attempt by the China Lakers to reverse the early trend in the game suffered a setback, however, when Millard Bell fouled out of the game with 10 min. to play still showing on the scoreboard clock. Another factor was the loss of Skip McIntosh, the local team's top scoring threat, who was whistled out of the game on a controversial charging foul (his fifth) 5 min. before the final buzzer.

Missed opportunities at the free throw line by the China Lakers that were followed up by field goals at the opposite end of the court by the Norton team put the game out of reach, however, and the Air Force quintet won by a final score of 105 to 96.

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### Jr. high all-star soccer game won 3-2 by North team

In a fitting climax to the Junior High Soccer League's fall season of play, the North edged the South, 3-2, in the fifth annual all-star game that was played last Saturday night under the lights at the Burroughs High School athletic field.

In what was an interesting and well-played game enjoyed by spectators and players alike, the North all-stars got off to a 2-0 lead.

Bill Ledden took control of a pass from Tom Rindt and sent the ball crashing into the South goal to give the North a 1-0 lead.

Before the South could retaliate, Max Gunther booted a cross field shot from the right wing that was headed into the net by Sam Greemun — making the score 2-0 in favor of the North.

The South fought back, however, and after a frantic goalmouth scramble, Scott Piri sent a rebound into the North net from 15 yards out to make it a 2-1 ball game with the North team still in the lead.

That was changed later, however, when Piri broke loose on a long run that ended with a blast into the North net that tied the score at 2-2.

Late in the game a North corner kick was cleared badly (headed straight up) and when the goalkeeper failed to handle the ball, Rindt shot a 2-yarder into the goal to win the match for the North.

Rindt thus set some sort of record. He appeared in his third all-star contest, and has scored a goal in all three.

The game, played in front of around 320 people, featured very good midfield play by Seamus Freyne and Kevin Featherston of the South and Jason Stowell of the North.

Advance ticket sales raised about \$350 for soccer equipment. Sales at the gate had not yet been reported at press time for this edition of the Rocketeer.

## Coyote cagers nip Fresno CC 64-63 in overtime

The Cerro Coso Community College basketball team warmed up the Center gym last Friday night with a come-from-behind, one-point overtime victory in a non-conference game against the Fresno City College Rams.

Daryl Moline, a graduate of Burroughs High School, was the man of the hour as he hit a field goal with one second left in regulation playing time to tie the score at 58-58 and send the game into a 5-minute overtime session.

In addition, Moline, who was the game's high point man with 31, also came through in the overtime for the home town Coyotes by stealing the ball at around the midcourt area and driving in for a layup that gave the Cerro Coso squad a 64-63 margin of victory with just 2 sec. left to play.

This win, the first of the still-young hoop season for Cerro Coso, was sandwiched in between an 81-56 loss on Wednesday night (Nov. 18) and another close victory for the Coyotes (47-45) on Saturday night at the NWC gym over the Porterville College Pirates. This was the final game of a 3-game home stand for the Coyotes last week.

Neither the Coyotes or the Rams from Fresno could hit consistently from the floor during last Friday night's game, and also had a poor shooting percentage at the free throw line. The result was a low scoring game in which no more than 7 points separated the two teams at any time during the game.

At the half time intermission, the visitors from Fresno led 27-25 thanks to a last second slam-dunk basket by Cy Adams just before the buzzer. At that point, Adams was the Ram's leading scorer with 10, while Moline was the pace-setter for the Coyotes in the scoring department with 14.

The officials were kept busy calling fouls on both teams in what was a raggedly played game that neither team was able to dominate.

The scoring pace picked up a might in the second half, with the initial advantage going to the Fresno CC Rams, who drew away to lead by 7 points (41-34) after 8 min. had been played in the second half.

In the next 3 min. of action, the Coyotes went on a surge of their own — scoring 8 unanswered points and moving ahead by 44-

41 on a shot from the outside by Moline, who also cashed in on a pair of free throws during this spurt.

Two more charity tosses and a field goal by Terry Collins for Cerro Coso kept the pressure on the visitors by holding the Coyotes' lead at 48-43, but with around 8 min. left to play in regulation playing time the balance was tipped in favor of the Rams, when Craig Cleveland tallied three straight baskets and suddenly the Coyotes were trailing 51-48 with 5 min. showing on the scoreboard clock.

#### GAME SLOWED DOWN

Instead of going for the kill, however, the coaching strategy of the Fresno mentor called for slowing down the offense, hoping to crack a hole in the Coyotes' zone defense and get an easy basket or draw a foul by someone too eager for the ball.

This strategy backfired, however, when Odell Collins pumped in a 2-pointer for the Coyotes, and Moline sent Cerro Coso ahead 56-55 with 2½ min. left to play.

The Rams got their last field goal in regulation playing time on a lay-up by Adams that gave the visitors a 57-56 lead with 1:51 left before the second half ended.

The visitors, who had called a time out at this point, then proceeded to eat up the clock by playing catch until Adams broke for the basket and drew a foul. By that time, the visitors had used up all except 15 sec. of playing time and were in the driver's seat with a 1-point lead and Adams was at the free throw line trying to cash in on the two free throws he was granted for being fouled while trying to shoot.

Luckily for the Coyotes, Adams missed his second charity toss and it was a 58-56 ball game in favor of Fresno with 2 sec. left to play.

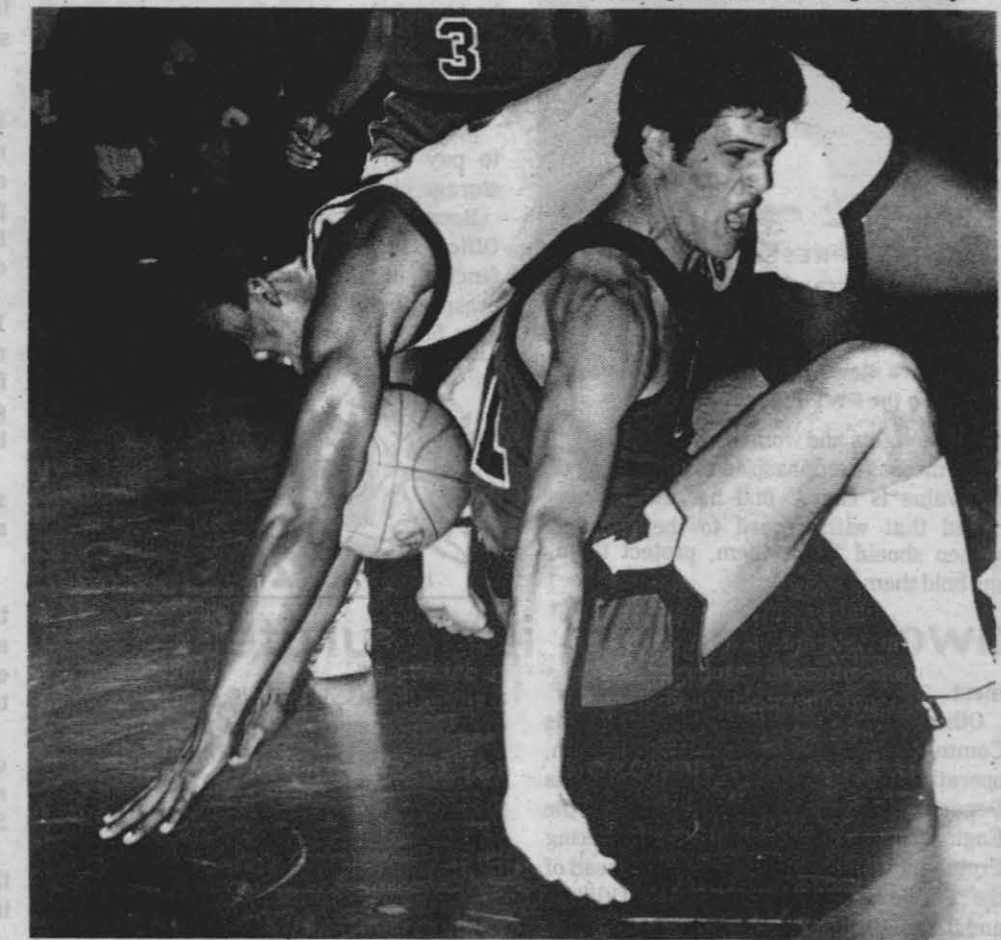
#### LAST DITCH EFFORT

Cerro Coso took time out to plan its last gasp effort which was to get the ball in to Moline, who hit a high looper that swished through the hoop to tie the score at 58-58.

In the 5-min. overtime, both teams played cautiously and there were few scoring opportunities. What few there were favored the Fresno Rams at the outset as they collected a free throw by Andre Patterson and two field goals (one for goal tending) by Jeff Stalling to move ahead 63-58.

Three minutes of the 5-min. overtime had been played before Cerro Coso got a shot off at the basket, and it was a field goal by Moline at the 1:05 mark. With just 19 sec. left to play, Moline was fouled in the act of shooting and hit a pair of charity tosses that cut the Fresno lead to 63-62, but the clock was now down to 11 sec.

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**CLEAR THE WAY** — Was it charging or blocking? Whichever way the officials called it, the facial expression of Brian Seteneich, of the Fresno City College Rams, registers his disapproval of this bit of action during last Friday night's game at the Center gym between the Rams and Cerro Coso College Coyotes. Lance Clayton is the player with the ball who is bracing himself as he is about to hit the deck. The Coyotes won this game in overtime by a final score of 64-63.

— Daily Independent photo by Tim Tyson

## Youth soccer teams play final games of season

Final games of the Youth Soccer League's fall season of competition took place last Saturday.

In Division 5 action, for teams composed of 5th-6th grade players, the Diplomats topped off a championship season with a 6-1 victory over the Rogues at Davidove Field.

Good passing and an all-around fine team effort were instrumental in the Diplomats' lopsided victory that was paced by Matt Ziegler's 3 unassisted goals, 2 by Joe Lloyd, and a singleton off the toe of Eric Wee. The Rogues averted a shutout by getting a single goal by Phil Serpanos.

Results of other games played in Division 5 were Sounders 3, Whitecaps 2; Roughnecks 2, Sting 0; Hurricane 1, Surf 1 (tie); and Kicks 4, Tornado 1.

A goal by Tony Haaland in the final minutes of the game provided a narrow margin of victory for the Sounders in their 3-2 win over the Whitecaps. Haaland scored the game-winner on an assist from Brian Lindsey, who also got in on the scoring act for the Sounders with 1 goal, as did Shelton Case, who tallied once.

John Duncan put the Whitecaps ahead 2-1 in the third quarter of this game by chalking up the second of two goals he scored in this game, but Sounders came on strong in the

final period of play to nail down the win.

One goal each by Wade Boyack and David Mann was all of the scoring for the Roughnecks in their 2-0 shutout victory over the Sting.

In the season finale between the Hurricane and Surf, two evenly matched teams collided in a well-played game that ended in a 1-1 tie. A corner kick by Bill Corley was headed into the net by Craig Rindt to account for the only score by the Hurricane team, whose goalie, Scott Lambert, helped preserve the tie by blocking a number of possible scoring shots. The single goal for the Surf was tallied by Perry Martinez.

Getting together for the final time this season at the Murray School soccer field, the six teams vying in Division 4 wrapped it up as the Boomers shut out the Atoms 2-0, Thunder defeated the Strikers 3-1, and the Timbers edged the Drillers 2-1.

Jeremy Osburn was involved in both scores for the Boomers in their win over the Atoms. Osburn scored 1 goal and was credited with an assist on another tallied by Craig Hato.

Marc Frisbee and Jacob Jones took turns scoring and assisting on scores in the 3-1 victory by Thunder over the Strikers.

Frisbee scored twice (each time on assists from Jones), and Jones scored once with the help of an assist from Frisbee. The single goal for the Strikers was tallied by Bobby Eichenberg.

A total team effort produced a 2-1 win by the Timbers over the Drillers. While Jeff Hutmacher, with assists from Will Freedman, scored both goals for the Timbers, good passing by Dave D'Anza, along with a strong defense headed by J. T. Norton and J. J. Roberts contributed equally to the win for the Drillers. Jonathan Bland scored once for the Drillers on an assist from Stephen Savage.

The Division 3 season ended with a 1-0 win by the Blizzard over the Lancers, a 1-1 tie between the Earthquakes and Cosmos, and 4-goal shutout of the Aztecs by the Sockers.

A scoreless, defensive struggle between the Blizzard and Lancers was topped off by a fourth period goal for the Blizzard. Mark Anderson got the ball in to Lincoln Laroe, who tallied what turned out to be the only goal of the game in the Blizzard victory over the Lancers.

Defensive breakdowns — one by each team — were turned into unexpected goals in the 1-1 tie between the Earthquakes and the Lancers.

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**CONGRATULATIONS OFFERED** — Capt. John Patterson, Chief Staff Officer and head of the Support Directorate, congratulates Jeffery P. Meriam for being chosen to fill the position of associate head of the NWC Supply Department's Contracts Division. Looking on at right is Capt. G. L. Lee, NWC Director of Supply. Others pictured are (l.-r.) James R. Bowen, Deputy Support Director, and LCdr. M. E. Younker, head of the Contracts Division in Code 25.

## Assoc. division head post in Supply Dept. goes to Meriam

Jeffery P. Meriam, a Naval Weapons Center employee for nearly three years, was selected recently to fill the position of associate head of the Contracts Division in the NWC Supply Department.

Formerly a contract price analyst with the Directorate of Contracting at Edwards Air Force Base, where he was employed for 5½ years, Meriam came here in February 1979 to head the former Contract Negotiation Branch (2525) in the Supply Department.

He subsequently served as acting associate head of the Supply Department's Contracts Division during a period of time when the responsibilities of the position were greatly increased by virtue of the fact that NWC was granted unlimited contract authority instead of being limited to handling contracts of no more than \$100,000 each.

#### MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

His main responsibilities as the associate head of Code 252 are to provide contractual support for the Naval Weapons Center's mission, Meriam said.

In this Demonstration Administration 4 (DA4) position, Meriam interprets policies and regulations as they apply to new contracts, modifications and delivery orders, acts as higher level review authority on all of the above and evaluates the performance of branch and section heads.

In addition, he is responsible for the successful implementation, coordination and operation of the Request Information Management System within the Contracts Division. This is a computerized system that maintains the status of all stubs for contracting and purchasing that are being processed by the division.

Military Interdepartmental Purchase Requests and Requests for Contractual Procurement also come under the purview

of Meriam in his associate division head post.

Other duties assigned to Meriam include overseeing administrative functions in the division, personnel recruitment, providing support and documentation for budgetary planning, making presentations to and listening to information from contractors and technical personnel, and handling the division's annual training program.

Meriam is a 1973 graduate of California State College in San Bernardino, where he received a bachelor's degree in business administration.

## Annexation . . .

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the city, there is a possibility that it would have been subject at some later date to taxation by Kern County. It is the gaining of additional tax revenue, as well as control through planning over land development, that is behind the City of Ridgecrest's annexation move.

The population gain by the city if the annexation proposal is approved will benefit Ridgecrest, since the population increase would make Ridgecrest the second largest city in Kern County with an estimated 20,000 inhabitants.

Revenue from state-levied cigarette and gasoline taxes, as well as motor vehicle taxes, is based on the number of persons residing in a city.

If less than 25 percent of the registered voters or land owners living in the area protest the annexation (and the protest must be in writing to the Ridgecrest City Clerk), the City Council can immediately order annexation. If 25 to 50 percent protest, the City Council can order an election in the area to be annexed.

The results of such an election would determine whether the annexation would proceed. If more than 50 percent of the voters in the area to be annexed protest, annexation automatically fails.

## All-hands Christmas party set

All personnel at China Lake — both military and civilian — and their spouses or dates are invited to attend a bang-up all-hands Christmas party on Thursday, Dec. 3, at the Enlisted Mess.

The evening's fun and festivities will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m. before a buffet dinner with ham, turkey, and steamboat round roast of beef and all the trimmings will be served at 7 o'clock.

To bring the evening to a happy close, Port and Starboard, the Naval District band from San Diego, will provide music for dancing following dinner. A few lucky individuals will also be able to win special prizes to brighten their holiday season.

Appropriate dress for the occasion is strictly informal, with slacks and sports shirts in order for the men and either dresses or slacks proper for women attendees.

Tickets can be purchased from Lt. Dave Safford, Rm. 3203 in Hangar 3; AFM Richard Brant, CMCPO; ACCS K. D. Savary in the Air Traffic Control Office at Hangar 3; and at the Enlisted Mess.

Military enlisted personnel and officers and their spouses or dates will be able to purchase tickets at \$5.50 per person. Civilians will get their evening of food and fun for what is still a bargain rate of \$7.50 each.

## The Skipper sez



All China Lakers, including military personnel, civilian employees, and their dependents are invited to submit questions to this column. Such queries must be in good taste and pertain to matters of interest to a large segment of the China Lake community. Answers to these questions are directly from Capt. Lahr. Please call NWC ext. 2727 with your question, and state whether you are a military member, civilian employee, or a dependent. No other identification is necessary. There is no intent that this column be used to subvert normal, established chain-of-command channels.

#### QUESTION

Four similar questions were received from military and civilian employees. Why is the back gate being closed at 7 o'clock? There is still a lot of traffic going on and off Center between 7 p.m. and midnight. Why can't they just put Washington Patrol guards on the gate and still leave access to the Center? And also the residents of the Center who desire to go to Pierce School and other areas of the base that are outside the back gate would benefit by the open gate.

#### ANSWER

As Commander of NWC I have the responsibility to not only protect and preserve all government property and equipment, but to promote an active program of security of NWC as a Naval Installation, and to do so as economically as is feasible.

I believe we need guards manning the Main Gate from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. The cost of this and manning the South Gate at the same time is not economically feasible. We are not plowing new ground in this matter as it is a common practice at military installations, industrial complexes, and other "controlled" public access facilities to close selected entry points and channel entry through fewer locations after normal working hours, at night, etc. The fact that some are mildly inconvenienced by the closing of the South Gate at 7 p.m. is regretted, but I am convinced that the common good is served by this action.

#### QUESTION

Civilian employee — I live on base. My understanding was when they changed all the addresses that all the mail addressed to the original address would be sent or delivered for a period of one year. However, they are sending some of it back and then delivering some of it with the old address on. I'm wondering why. I called the Post Office, and they cannot give me an answer.

#### ANSWER

A few residents in Center housing have had the difficulty that you've mentioned. This was called to the attention of the postal authorities, who assure me that the problem has been located and resolved. You should have no further difficulty in getting mail addressed either to your old or your new address until the year is up next July 1.

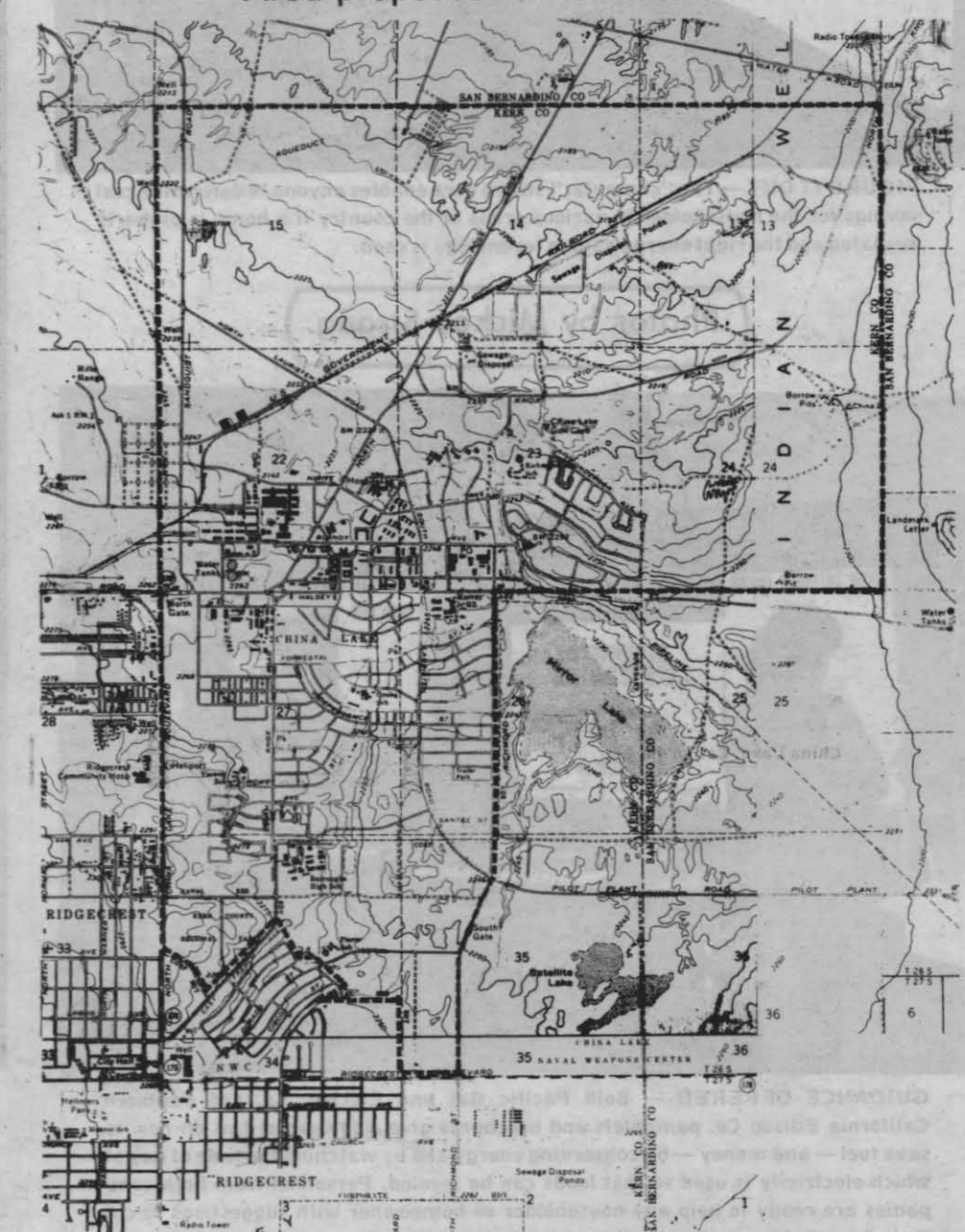
#### QUESTION

Civilian Employee — My wife and son and I live in base housing. If my wife or my son were to have an accident on base, could we use the Branch Medical Clinic?

#### ANSWER

The NRM Branch Medical Clinic is prohibited by law from providing routine non-occupational health care services to you, your wife, and your son. However, in a true emergency the Clinic will provide basic first aid procedures necessary to stabilize civilian patients for further transfer to a civilian physician/clinic/hospital as appropriate.

## Area proposed for annexation



Broken line indicates boundaries of area proposed for annexation

# Energy Fair Nov. 21-22 at fairgrounds in Ridgecrest



**MAJOR EXHIBITOR** — The Naval Weapons Center Energy Office displays two electric vehicles, a photovoltaic power system, and a solar water heater outside the main building at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds where the Energy Fair was held last weekend. Attendees at the fair saw a variety of alternate energy devices, got information about conservation, learned about car care, and had the opportunity to hear Dr. Paul MacCready speak about solar-powered and human-powered flight.

Those interested in energy, alternate energy, and how to save energy (and money) saw a variety of exhibits at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds in Ridgecrest last Saturday and Sunday at the first Energy Fair held in the local area.

Major exhibitors at the fair included the Naval Weapons Center, Cerro Coso Community College, the Maturango Museum, and a number of commercial companies involved in the alternate energy field (whether this be selling wind-powered systems or fireplace logs made from pressed tumbleweeds).

Both Pacific Gas and Electric Co. and Southern California Edison displays emphasized how everyone could save fuel and cut energy bills by conservation, and offered helpful tips in the form of pamphlets covering a wide range of subjects. Helpful tax information was also provided to aid homeowners in getting full tax credits for their efforts.

Especially popular were the films shown throughout both days, but the real highlight of the fair was a talk presented twice by Dr. Paul MacCready, whose human-powered and solar-powered aircraft initiated both types of flights.

Dr. MacCready emphasized that the kind of creativity that led to these craft is desperately needed to help solve the energy problem, and that much of the solution depends on people not being bound by constraints that are merely imaginary rather than real.

He described the efforts made by British engineers to build a human-powered aircraft using standard aircraft building methods, and mentioned that German engineers did not even try because they had been told by an eminent professor that human-powered flight was impossible.

In contrast, his organization designed and built the aircraft by taking advantage of very light-weight materials that could be quickly and cheaply repaired and by using

methods of construction that were used on model aircraft and hang-gliders.

A 10-year-old, Dr. MacCready noted, was not afraid to ask questions that might seem dumb ("because he feels he isn't expected to know anything anyhow"), and can often come up with an innovative solution to a problem that an adult will not even attempt to solve because the adult considers it insoluble. This kind of question-asking creativity is vitally needed in the world today, he concluded.



**EFFICIENT OPERATION** — Hot water heaters tend to be very wasteful of either natural gas or electricity, but this one, part of the Center's exhibit at the Energy Fair, uses the sun to bring 40 gallons of water up to the temperatures desired to handle a family's household needs.



**FIGURE IT OUT** — The "computer" shown here enables anyone to determine cost savings for the householder in various areas of the country if a home is properly insulated and the right energy-saving technology is used.

Photos by Mickey Strang



**GUIDANCE OFFERED** — Both Pacific Gas and Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Co. pamphlets and brochures give a myriad of tips on how to save fuel — and money — by conserving energy and by watching the time of day at which electricity is used so that loads can be leveled. Personnel from both companies are ready to help any householder or homeowner with suggestions to cut their household use of natural gas or electricity by energy audits and through applications of conservation measures.



**FASCINATING DISCUSSION** — Dr. Paul MacCready, designer and builder of the first human-powered and the first solar-powered aircraft, showed films and slides about these craft in addition to talking about the creativity that led to their building. He is now thinking about low-cost, low-energy but safe ground transportation, as well as a very slow (less than 40 miles per hour) short take-off aircraft that could be safe for anyone to fly and would literally enable the pilot to circle trees and houses at low altitudes.

# FWP awards presented . . .

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terested in the computer field; hiring of eight women as junior professionals, providing adequate accommodation for handicapped employees, and playing a pioneer role in developing and implementing the provision of study time during working hours for employees who are pursuing master's degrees on their own time.

All persons nominated for Federal Women's Program awards were presented with certificates denoting this fact. In addition, Ms. Vitale and Mrs. Burnett each received engraved plaques for winning their respective awards.

The large plaque that is engraved annually with the name of the winning department was accepted by Dennis Farrell on behalf of Leroy Marquardt, acting head of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. This plaque is displayed in the winning department's office throughout the year.

Before Capt. Lahr made the presentations to the winners, he stated again what a pleasure it is for him to be at the Center because of the multitudinous talents of NWC personnel.

He especially called attention to the outstanding musical program that had been presented earlier, saying that "talent pops out all over here. This has been another demonstration of all the things that we do well."

The musical entertainment to which he was referring was staged by Bill Altieri, Rebecca Conner, Vonnie Goss, Bob Huey, Sandee Schwarzback, and Elena Vitale, with Sue Fisher playing the piano. Earlier dinner music was provided by Andrew Victor, Bob Ferguson and Joan Fowler.

Barbara Rowe, a professional actress, was the guest speaker for the evening. She presented a monologue based on Susan B. Anthony's writings produced during the more than 50 years that she fought for



**MOVING PRESENTATION** — A gripping portrayal of the fight by Susan B. Anthony for women's rights and women's suffrage was presented by Barbara Rowe, a professional actress, during the FWP Awards Banquet.

women's rights and women's suffrage. Her message emphasized that "nothing of any value is easy," and her advice concluded that with regard to their rights, women should "take them, protect them, and hold them dear."

# Individual safety award program inaugurated

First quarter winners in the Individual Safety Award Recognition Program, a pilot program that was inaugurated last July in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the NWC Public Works Department, were recognized during an award ceremony held recently at the Community Center.

Master of ceremonies for the occasion was Cdr. D. A. Ringel, assistant Public Works Officer, and the guest of honor was Capt. John Patterson, NWC's Chief Staff Officer.

A large, safety award banner that is retained by the shop or work center that has accumulated the highest total number of points for a three-month period was presented by Capt. J. L. Horacek, CEC, USN, who heads the Public Works Department.

The banner was accepted by Bob Waters, supervisor, on behalf of the Service Shop Work Center (Code 2641K). Runners-up for top honors in the Individual Safety Award Recognition Program were the Michelson Laboratory Service Shop, headed by Gerald Austin, as supervisor; and the Communications and Electric Shop, David McKinney, supervisor.

Individual awards of pen and pencil sets were presented to Richard Brown and John M. Hart, of Code 2641K. A third winner of these awards that were presented by Capt. Patterson was Ronald Metevier, who was unable to be present for the ceremony that was attended by more than 50 employees of the Maintenance-Utilities Division in Code 26.

Names of the winners of the pen and pencil sets were drawn by Capt. Patterson from among all of the employees in the Service Shop Work Center.

The Individual Safety Award Recognition Program was set in action by the NWC Safety Awards Committee, headed by Charles Wilhite, who is in charge of the Explosives and Laboratory Safety Division in the NWC Safety and Security Depart-

# Auction of surplus government property scheduled on Dec. 8

An auction of surplus government property will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the Defense Property Disposal Office (Warehouse 41) on the Naval Weapons Center.

Beginning on Monday, more than 240 items to be offered for sale will be on display at Warehouse 41 on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. From the NWC main gate, Warehouse 41 can be reached by making a left turn off Sandquist Road at the first blacktop street just north of the guard gate.

Up for sale to the highest bidder will be such things as IBM electric typewriters, oscilloscopes, voltmeters, tube testers, automotive parts, electrical supplies, bicycles, evaporative coolers, electric motors, vending machines, desks, painting supplies, and trucks.

Registration for the auction will begin at 8 a.m. at Warehouse 41 on the day of the sale. Bidders must be present and registered in order to bid. Bids submitted by mail cannot be accepted.

Items purchased may be removed on the sale date provided full payment is made. Personal checks will be accepted.

Successful bidders will have until Dec. 15 to pay for and remove property before storage charges are applied.

Because the Defense Property Disposal Office is located within the interior security fencing of the Naval Weapons Center, prospective bidders must stop at the main gate before coming aboard.



# Police reports . . .

A costly incident of vandalism was reported on the afternoon of Nov. 19 to China Lake police when it was discovered that unknown persons had entered a locked radar compound at Laurel Mountain, a peak located approximately 15 miles southwest of the China Lake community.

The vandals, who are believed to have climbed over a fence to get inside the compound, disconnected two electrical wires that provided power to air conditioning equipment.

This caused a compressor to burn out and resulted in damage estimated at \$1,200.

## SOCKET SET STOLEN

A socket set valued at \$120 was stolen last week from a utility box mounted on the back of a government-owned truck.

The vehicle had been left parked near the Flight Support Building at Armitage Airfield. Investigation by China Lake police of this burglary disclosed that there was a faulty lock on the utility box in which the socket set had been stored.

## BOMB SCARE AT SCHOOL

Youngsters attending Richmond Elementary School were hustled out of their rooms and all buildings were evacuated for a brief time last Friday while China Lake police and firemen, joined by school officials, carried out a search for an explosive device.

China Lake police were called at around 11:40 a.m., after a secretary at the school reported receiving a telephone message from a man who stated that a bomb (set to go off at 12 noon) had been placed in one of the buildings on the school campus.

After a thorough search that turned up no sign of anything suspicious, the school routine for the day was resumed.

## AUTO THEFT SUSPECT ARRESTED

A man who turned up Monday morning at the China Lake police station to report an accident involving a vehicle he was driving ended up being arrested on suspicion of auto theft.

A check by police of the vehicle in question turned up the fact that it was a rental car that had been reported stolen in San Diego.

The driver of the car was turned over to the Kern County Sheriff's Department office in Ridgecrest for booking.

## Blue Cross mobile unit due for visit on Dec. 2

Subscribers to the federal employee health benefits program provided by Blue Cross/Blue Shield are reminded that a Blue Cross mobile unit will pay a visit to China Lake next Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The Blue Cross van will be set up in the parking lot of the Community Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A field representative will be present to answer questions and provide assistance regarding the handling of claims.

## Plans announced for Michelson Lab awards luncheon

The Michelson Laboratories Awards will be presented on Friday, Dec. 11, during a luncheon in honor of the recipients. The luncheon will be held in the Mojave Room of the Commissioned Officers' Mess starting at 11:30 a.m.

This award recognizes technical excellence based on outstanding performance of individual duties. The award, which was established in 1966, is complementary to the Center's highest local award — the L. T. E. Thompson Award.

Reservations for the awards luncheon can be made by calling NWC ext. 2634 no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 7. Luncheon choices are either mock filet mignon (\$3.80) or chef salad (\$3.50).



**EMPHASIS ON SAFETY** — Bob Waters (at right) supervisor of the Service Shop Work Center, and Cdr. D. A. Ringel hold the safety award banner won by Waters' shop as part of an Individual Safety Award Recognition Program now being conducted in the Maintenance-Utilities Division of the Public Works Department. Others present for the ceremony, which was held to recognize the winners during the first 3-month period of this program's existence, are Capt. J. L. Horacek (on left), Public Works Officer, and Capt. John Patterson (on right) Chief Staff Officer. In the middle are Richard Brown and John Hart, two employees in Code 2641K, whose names were drawn as winners of pen and pencil sets. A third winner, Ronald Metevier, was not present for the photo. — Photo by Don Cornelius