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CHILDREN'S CENTER BUILDING RENOVATED - New steam vents have been installed in old Dormitory 6, which is now one of the buildings set aside for use by the Recreational Service Department's Children's Center. Sprinklers also are to be installed in compliance with fire safety regulations, and a playground area is to be added.

Recreational Services Dept...

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puterized, thanks to the assistance of Bob Greven in the Personnel Department. Those who wish to apply for any Recreation Services Department jobs can fill out an application, which is then computerized and kept on file for six months or until the individual is hired. (New in this line, says Les Saxton, head of the Recreational Services Department, is a listing of an intermittent labor pool that can be called on as needed.)

While both appropriated and nonappropriated funds are used by the department, the majority of funding is nonappropriated. Each of the 17 recreation activities, the three clubs, and the package store, are required to generate enough income to offset operating costs; nonappropriated salary costs alone for this year will be \$1.5 million. This is why athletic memberships are necessary for dependents of military personnel and for authorized civilian users and their dependents.

Appropriated funds can be used for facility upgrading and for new facilities. A major renovation and upgrading effort is now underway.

All three of the clubs are undergoing needed repairs and repainting to make them more attractive for dining and social events. The gym is in the process of a major renovation that includes the men's and women's locker rooms, racquetball courts,

Jr. Woman's Club slates 8th annual home tour Saturday

Plans have been made by the High Desert Junior Woman's Club for the group's eighth annual home tour, which will take place from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 15.

Participants will have the opportunity to visit four very different types of homes in the Ridgecrest area. Donations are \$2.50 per person, and the proceeds will be used by the Junior Women's Club to provide a scholarship for a high school senior.

Tickets can be purchased in advance at the Design Impulse store and at the Home Decorating Center in Ridgecrest. They also will be sold on the day of the event at one of the homes on the tour located at 412 Howell St. in Ridgecrest.

'Frogging' contest slated for parent/child teams

The Navy Exchange ice cream parlor (now known as the Desert Freeze) is holding a parent-child "frogging" contest on Saturday, May 29, at 1 p.m. First through third place prizes will be offered.

"Frogging" is playing a new video game - Frogger - that is sweeping the nation. Teams are encouraged to sign up and practice in advance.

decking around the pool and an enhanced picnic area. Improvements on the golf course include

a new maintenance building and automation of the back nine, and Schoeffel Field will get a paved parking lot.

Paved parking is only one of the improvements slated for the tennis courts, which will also get sunshades over bleachers, landscaping and an improved lighting system as well as resurfacing of the courts. The Youth Gym now has new restrooms and is slated for a roof repair job and exterior painting

The Hall Memorial bowling lanes will get new paint in the building and a renovated air conditioning system. Both the auto hobby shop and the ceramics shop are also due for work.

Three buildings are being renovated at the Children's Center, and fire and safety codes are being met to put a fourth building into service. A new building to house the Children's Center is on the military construction funding request for the fiscal year 1985 time frame.

New facilities planned are a parcourse and a fitness cluster to help those who try to keep their bodies in good shape. Also planned is a minipark on Blandy Avenue for recreational use by everyone, and a picnic area by the Enlisted Mess.

The Recreational Services Department does indeed make a large contribution to the quality of life at the Center.

Weekend Roundup Everyone in the community is invited to join with students, parents and teachers at

Murray Junior High School tomorrow or Sunday for a day of picnic-type games (such as the three-legged race), and to enjoy and purchase the wares offered at a variety of booths

Fine items of furniture and smaller projects will be sold at the woodshop booth, with the profits from these items to go to the purchase of new equipment needed. The School Improvement Project will sell foods from throughout the world, and other groups will also offer palate-tempters.

The fair will be open from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. both days.

Music by the Proposition rock band from Santa Barbara - a group of five guys and one gal - will be featured tonight for the dancing and listening pleasure of patrons of the Enlisted Mess. The band will begin playing at 9 o'clock.

Saturday night at the Enlisted Mess, the Orlando's Music Shop Band will be playing punk and funk records for dancing in the Flight Deck, starting at 9:30. +++

Registration for the Federally Employed Women-sponsored "Women of the 80s" workshops and seminars is still possible between 8:30 a.m. and the 9 o'clock starting time tomorrow morning in Wing M at Burroughs High School in Ridgecrest.

The \$25 registration fee covers attendance at the 10 workshops and seminars scheduled throughout the day. The workshops cover subjects ranging from nutrition to fashion to stress and burnout. Those who wish may purchase their lunch from the Future Homemakers of America or they may enjoy a brown-bag lunch while they watch a videotape showing of "What You Are Is Where You Were When."

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Dog rabies clinics, licensing slated in area next weekend

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Dog rabies-vaccination and licensing clinics are being held this month. Clinics have been scheduled in the local area on Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22, by the Kern County Health Department.

At these clinics, dog owners can obtain low-cost rabies vaccinations and either county or city licenses for their pets. Both vaccinating and licensing are required by law for dogs over four months of age. The dates, times, and places for the clinics are as follows

Friday, May 21 - 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Kern County fire station in Randsburg; and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Girl Scout Hut at China Lake.

Saturday, May 22 - 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Kern County fire station in Invokern: and 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Old Ridgecrest Park community building on South Warner Street

The charge for the rabies shots is \$2 per pet, and the county's yearly dog-license fee is \$1 for all spayed or neutered animals and \$10 for all others. City of Ridgecrest license fees are \$1 for all altered dogs and \$4 for all others

Tickets on sale for tour of outstanding local area aardens

Seven Ridgecrest homes are included in the annual garden tour, sponsored by the Oasis Garden Club of Indian Wells Valley, that will be held on Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tickets are \$2 for this self-guided tour and may be purchased from club members, Mean's Nursery at 325 W. Ridgecrest Blvd., and at the Tri-S Greenhouse, 4451 Inyokern Directions to the individual homes and the

names of plants, trees and flowers growing in each garden are included with the tickets.

The garden tour gives newcomers to the area an excellent opportunity to learn firsthand what vegetation adapts best to the local desert climate.

Sale on tires for cars.

RVs coming up at NEX

Customers patronizing the Navy Exchange automotive store from May 27 through 29 will be able to ride more smoothly, in greater safety, and with more comfort if they take advantage of the tire sale scheduled for those dates.

Both passenger car and recreational vehicle tires will be on sale.

the inventory will be. Automotive center hours are Mondays not open on Sundays.

now in effect at the Employee Services Board barbershop located in the Bennington Plaza area.

Three barbers are now on the job, and the shop is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Appointments for service can be made by calling 446-9805.

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MOVIES ALL AGES ADMITTED General Audiences ALL AGES ADMITTED ntal Guidance Suggest (R) RESTRICTED Parentor Adult Guardian Regular starting time 7:00 p.m. FRIDAY "BUDDY BUDDY" Starring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau (Comedy, rated R, 96 min.) SATURDAY MAY 15 "STRIPES" Starring Bill Murray and Harold Ramis (Comedy, rated R, 106 min.) SUNDAY MAY 1 "MARY POPPINS" Starring Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke (Musical Fantasy, rated G, 139 min.) MONDAY MAY 17 "THE LONG RIDERS" Carradine Brothers and Keath Brothers (Western Drama, rated R, 100 min.) WEDNESDAY MAY 19 "TATTOO" Starring Bruce Dern and Maud Adams (Drama, rated R, 109 min)

Registration open at Children's Center for summer programs

Registration is now being taken for the summer programs to be offered beginning June 14 by the Recreational Service Department's Children's Center.

A developmental program will be offered full time for children 6 months through 5 years of age. Parents may register their youngsters by calling Polly Ferraro at NWC ext. 2735 for an appointment

Also scheduled at Annex II of the Children's Center is a full time summer program for youngsters 6 to 9 years of age. This program will include arts, crafts and field trips. Registration is being handled by Mrs. Ferraro, phone NWC ext. 2735 for an appointment

Annex I of the Children's Center will be the setting for an enrichment program that will be conducted for 4-year-olds on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings or afternoons, and on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for 3-year-olds. Cynthia Garvin, phone NWC ext. 2653, is the person to call for a registration appointment

Inventory increased at

NEX automotive center

The widest selection of automotive items ever offered by the Navy Exchange will be available next Monday when the NEX automotive center opens its doors.

The amount and variety of stock that can be carried will depend on heavy patronage of the automotive center; the more use made of the new store, the more extensive

through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The store is

Barbershop hours listed

New and longer hours of operation are



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NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER CHINA LAKE

Rec Services plays subtle, but essential role in enhancing productivity at NWC

PR1 Paul Perrotta

Bluejacket of Month honor goes to Perrotta

Aircrew Survival Equipmentman (PR) First Class Paul Perrotta has been selected as the Naval Weapons Center Bluejacket of the Month for April.

Although trained as a parachute rigger, PR1 Perrotta is assigned to NWC Military Administration Department as the **Educational Services Officer and Assistant** Career Counselor, and handles collateral duties as the Drug and Alcohol Programs Advisor

In addition, he stands security watches for the Unaccompanied Enlisted Personnel Housing Office and is a Junior Officer of the Day supernumerary.

The letter of nomination signed by AMEC S. A. Dangel, Command Career Counselor, characterizes PR1 Perrotta as "An industrious, mature, and totally responsible individual whose personal involvement in and concern for assigned areas of responsibility cannot be exceeded."

The letter goes on to praise PR1 Perrotta for his efforts in ensuring continued military enrollment in off-duty educational proeducational program that is called "Drug Safety Action Program."

Petty Officer Perrotta, who joined the parachute rigger assigned to the Parachute (Continued on Page 7)

The Recreational Services Department plays a subtle but essential role in enhancing the productivity of the Center's military and civilian personnel.

The department's operations range from providing facilities and programs for building health and fitness in lifetime and competitive sports to services such as child care at the Children's Center, and to purely recreational functions, such as operating the Center theater.

The department serves a military population of about 850 plus their dependents, the nearly 4,000 Civil Service employees and their dependents, and joins with the City of Ridgecrest and Cerro Coso Community College in offering activities to make life in this isolated community attractive to the personnel needed for essential support services to the Navy. CENTER OF ACTIVITIES

Most of the sports activities are centered in the Bennington Plaza area where the gymnasium, indoor pool, bowling alley, tennis courts, Youth Center, roller skating rink, and many of the ball fields are located.

The well-maintained 18-hole golf course, with memberships open to residents of the Indian Wells Valley as well as Centerites, edges the northeastern boundary of the main site, and the primary soccer field (Davidove Field) is located in the southwestern portion of the China Lake community. Other ball fields are situated near the Public Works complex and Reardon grams and his work toward setting up an Field is at the intersection of King and Harpoon Streets

Service areas include the Children's Center, the three clubs and Consolidated Navy in 1973, came to NWC in 1979 as a Package store, hobby shops, and Community Center.

Nearly 175 children of NWC's military and

civilian personnel are cared for daily at the Children's Center. A drop-in child care service is also offered for children from the age six months up.

What can also be viewed as a service is the massive youth program sponsored by the Recreational Services Department. Many of these activities are open to all the young people in the area, such as the youth soccer program that has a current enrollment of nearly 600 youngsters. A crafts and sports program is planned for the summer that fills the role formerly taken by the local school system. It provides constructive activities during the months that school is out.

CLUBS OPEN FOR LUNCH

Everyone on board is able to lunch at any of the three clubs - Commissioned Officers' Mess (Open), Chief Petty Officers' Mess (Open), and Enlisted Mess (Open). Club membership is open to military and civilian employees; this membership presents additional benefits, such as use of club facilities and the outdoor swimming pools.

The hobby shops offer craft classes yearround to both military and civilian personnel and their dependents. In addition, the auto hobby shop, which had been limited to military only, opened to civilians as of May 1 (with the exception of the resale facility).

There also is a recreational vehicle storage area, which opened April 19. And getting heavy use from both military and civilian employees and their dependents is the camping issue check-out, through which NWC personnel are able to rent boats, tent trailers and other camping and outdoor

The Community Center has served as home for many of the Center's activities from square-dancing to flower shows. Here, also, are the specially priced tickets to many Southern California attractions that can be purchased by DoD military and civilian employees. New in the line of service is a Ticketron outlet.

The Center theater is the valley's only indoor theater, but attendance is limited to those employed at China Lake or living on board. (The theater is about to undergo a major renovation that will include reupholstering seats, remodeling the backwall and lobby and the dressing rooms.)

FEW CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES

These massive programs are run by from 200 to 225 employees, including full and part time. Of this number, less than five percent are Civil Service, with the rest being paid out of nonappropriated funds. Many of the employees are military dependents or young people getting their first job experience

This personnel system is now com-(Continued on Page 8)

Training flight by balloonists from NWC ends up in Arizona

national news last weekend with the flight that completed the training needed to qualify them as commercial balloonists able what had appeared to be ranch houses. to handle project flights for the Center.

Milt Caves and Art Hickle, under the tutelage of Duane Powers, took their second and final qualifying helium balloon flight in the "Ten Ball," a helium balloon leased from Universal Systems in Tea, S. Dak. They took off from Fountain Valley, Calif., at the same time that the Gordon Bennett gas balloon race was held on Saturday. Race officials were concerned about the

local balloonists when their radio malfunctioned so that they could not be tracked.

The NWC personnel were not taking part in the race, but flew at the same time because of the dramatic savings afforded the Navy by being able to buy helium where it was sold in quantity to race contestants rather than having to make an individual purchase at a much higher cost.

They left the ground in mid-Orange County at 5:55 p.m. Saturday, headed over San Dimas, through Cajon Pass, and over Twentynine Palms, before catching a northeast drift and crossing the Colorado River at Riviera, Ariz. (near the junction of Arizona, California and Nevada).

By first light they were at 8,000 feet over the Grand Canyon, and rose to nearly 10,000 feet when they saw the wall of Utah mountains undergoing obviously bad

Two NWC employees (and their in- weather. The three men decided to bring the structor. also an NWC employee) made balloon down over this high Arizona desert country at 7:55 a.m. Sunday (PDT) rather than risk bad weather, and landed near

After packing up the balloon, they walked that they had been abandoned. A long trudge took them back to the balloon near dark Sunday, so they spent the night curled up in the 31/2- by 5-ft. gondola. On Monday morning Powers and Hickle headed toward Colorado City, Ariz., while Caves stayed with the equipment.

Twelve long miles later, the two were picked up by a helicopter service truck. which took them to a place where they could phone and declare themselves "rescued."

"Some very gracious people drove out and picked up our equipment to bring it to Colorado City," Caves says. "Folks there were really very helpful."

"The flight was beautiful," he adds. "I'd do it again any time. The full moon was out, the air was so quiet we could hear both the cows and the coyotes, and the flight was thoroughly good."

He noted that because of the concern for them, a missing private plane was found, so the alarm did pay off, even though they did not really require it since all that was wrong with them was a malfunctioning radio.

"Ten Ball," the balloon in which they were flying, holds about 35,000 cubic feet of (Continued on Page 4)



BLASTING AWAY - Richard Smith (foreground) and Paul Harris, two Public Works Department employees, are doing their share of the rehabilitation and upgrading of Recreational Services Department facilities by working on the wading pool outside the Center's gymnasium. (For safety purposes, the sand was turned off while the picture was made.) - Photo by Don Cornelius

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Armed Forces members hailed

Each Armed Forces Day our Nation pauses to give special honor and recognition to the men and women of our Armed Services. This fitting tribute conveys America's great pride in those of you who serve with that spirit of selfless sacrifice so that freedom can be preserved.

For over two centuries, our uniformed personnel have willingly stepped forward, each in their turn, to pay the patriots' price for maintaining America's unique dream. In both peace and war, Americans in uniform and their families - have given whatever was required to keep our Nation strong.

Thank God for these many fine people. You are certainly among the most magnificent of our national assets - absolutely dedicated, selflessly loyal, exceptionally skilled - strong and ready. Americans everywhere join with me today in a salute to you, our uniformed men and women - and in acknowledging the immense debt our country owes to our soldiers, sailors, airmen, and Marines. Thankfully, America has now begun to give muchincreased recognition of the vital sacrifices and contributions you make to our society.

To each of you wonderful people in the Navy-Marine Corps team - and to the members of your families - I send my best wishes and hearty congratulations for a job well done.

> John Lehman Secretary of the Navy

As we at the Naval Weapons Center continue our mission, which is to provide the scientific and technical support for weapons that the Fleet so badly needs, it is appropriate that each of us take a few minutes to reflect on our individual role in that process. I believe that it is true that each and every member of the NWC, military and civilian, can make a valuable contribution to the success of China Lake.

When you take time to reflect on the Center's accomplishments, you should also take note of your contributions as well and should feel a sense of pride and belonging. Without each and every one of you, the work of this great place, the efforts of this national treasure, will diminish and our Navy will be the loser.

Traditionally Armed Forces Day is the time that we should open our doors to the public and celebrate. However, because of the nonavailability of the Blue Angels on this date, we are postponing our salute and celebration until the 27th of June when we will have a dynamic and exciting firepower demonstration coupled with the sensational Blue Angels Air Show and more.

Nevertheless, I want to take this opportunity on Armed Forces Day to commend each of you for your part in the continued success of the finest organization I have ever been associated with.

Capt. J. J. Lahr, USN

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 nanagerial/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; elections are made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason

Promotional opportunities

Applications (Standard Form 171) should be put in the drop box at the Reception Desk of the Personnel

Dept., 505 Blandy. Unless otherwise specified in an ad, applications for positions listed in this

week and will close at 4:30 p.m. on the Friday following their appearance in this column, unless a later date is

nn 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

ncement No. 26-315, Planner and Estimator General), WD-6701-8 JD No. 844, Code 2612 - Position is ocated in the Planning and Estimating Branch, Maintenance Control Division, Public Works Department ncumbent prepares job write-ups, materials lists, and sketches, etc., for construction, alteration and repair in the ollowing areas: paving, masonry, plastering, ceramic tile installation and landscaping. Qualifying Experience: Journeyman level work in the following trade areas will serve as the basis for qualifications: masonry, plate and tile, plastering, engineering equipment operation. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to facilitate production; technical practices; ability to interpret instructions, specifications, etc.; knowledge of pertinent materials; knowledge of pertinent tools and equipment.

nent No. 26-311, Planner and Estimator (General), WD-6701-8, JD No. 841N, Code 268 - Position is located in Facilities Support Contracts Division, Public Works Department. Previous applicants need not reapply. Incumbent estimates costs of labor and materials for work done under Facilities Support Contracts. The estimates developed by the incumbent will be used as the basis contract negotiation and modification. Qualifying Exerience: Journeyman level work in the following areas will serve as the basis for qualification: Air conditioning and/or heating equipment repair, plumbing or pipefitting work. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to facilitate production; technical practices; ability to interpret instructions, specifications, etc.; knowledge of pertinent tools and equipment; knowledge of pertinent materials, NOTE: A supplemental form, along with an up-to-date SF-171, is required. Forms are available in Room 100 or Room 210 of the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 33-018, Supv. Electronics Engineer DP-855-3, PAC 8233506, Code 33352 - This position is located in the Engineering Section, Long Range Missile Fuze Branch, Fuze Systems Division of the Fuze and ensors Department. The incumbent will serve as the head of the Engineering Section, and will be responsible for the supervision of five employees. The incumbent is responsible for planning, coordinating, and implementing the transition of target detecting devices from the engineering levelopment stage into the production phase with continuous engineering support for production and Fleet use: will particpate in the development process to assure a smooth transition into production. This effort involves design and procurement of development production test equipment, procurement activities for contractor support rom the development through production phase of the TDD, monitoring the fabrication, test, and acceptance of fusing systems for both development and production contracts, and liaison with other civilian and government agencies. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of electronic engineering and fuzing systems development; ability to supervise an organized group of level I, II, and III associates responsible for specific assignments and the ability to plan, schedule, coordinate, and conduct technical work as part of a major project. The ability to effectively nicate both orally and in writing. Demonstrated support of the Center's EEO program.

nouncement No. 33-019, Program Manager, DP-340-3, PAC 8233515, Code 3303A — This position is located in the omputer Aided Engineering Program Office, Marine Corps Technology Office of the Fuze and Sensors Depart ment. The primary function of this office is to be the esource manager for acquisition, integration, and support of Computer Aided Engineering and Documentation Systems for all participating Navy activities. Computer aided engineering refers to a computer-based system that stores, displays and manipulates information in a digital data base. The position serves as principal assistant to the head of the Computer Aided Engineering Program Office. The role of this position is to assist in the designing coordinating, and implementation of program requirements in the areas of hardware/software system needs, coordination of procurements and system in tegration. Job Relevent Criteria: Ability to plan, schedule, and evaluate programs and/or projects; ability to communicate effectively - orally and in writing; ability to solve major management problems.

incement No. 33-017, Electronics Engineer, DP-855-2/3, PAC No. 8233528E, Code 3353 — This position is located in the Exploratory Development Branch, Elec romechanical Division, Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent will serve as an electronics engineer for assigned research and development programs in the areas of safety-arming devices and contact fuzing systems. The ncumbent will design and develop electronic sub assemblies, components and circuits for electromechanical fuzing systems and will perform field and laboratory tests and evaluate the technical progress of the proposed fuzing systems and/or major subassembly con tractors. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of electronic engineering fundamentals, specifically as they apply to digital electronics, microprocessors or analog circuit design experience; ability to interface and communicate effectively with personnel at comparable levels in government and in private industry.

uncement No. 33-015, Administrative Assistant, GS-341, 5/7, Code 3304 — This position is located in the Marine Corps Aviation Exploratory Development Program Office Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent provides administrative and budgetary support in the form of budget planning, control and management, including; preparation of technical budget estimates, program costs projections, budget proposals and reports, management of program funds, and contract preparation, administration, and management. Administrative functions include preparation of administrative plans, reports, program correspondence, quarterly reports and annual plans, coordination of semi-annual program reviews, and preparation of program briefings and internal tasking memoranda. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of inancial accounting systems and terminology; ability to consolidate material from various sources into a cohesive

report; ability to plan and organize work; ability to deal effectively with a wide variety of people; ability to work effectively with others in a coordinative capacity Promotion potential is to Administrative Officer, GS-341-9 Previous applicants need not reapply

nent No. 33-020, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4, PD No. 8133035N, Code 3311 - Incumbent provides clerical support to the Exploratory Development Branch, Sensor Systems Division of the Fuze and Sensors Department. The incumbent's duties include maintaining calendar receiving and directing visitors and phone calls; reviews pondence; receives and distributes incoming mai maintains files; prepares and handles time cards, travel orders and itineraries; purchase orders for materials, supplies and equipment; types from rough, handwritter drafts or machine dictation. 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 conerences. Supplemental Qualifications Statement required along with 171. Supplemental available in the Personnel Bldg., Rm 113, from Susie Cross.

cement No. 3634, Secretary (Typing) GS-318-5/6, PD No. 7936192N Code 3604 - This position will be located n the Sidewinder Program Office, Engineering Depart ment. The incumbent performs a variety of secretarial/administrative tasks as office manager for Code 3604. Duties include arranging conferences. receiving visitors and phone calls: maintaining program manager's calendar: maintaining Demonstration Projec files with a good working knowledge of the applicable regulations; preparing nontechnical correspondence. writing personnel performance awards; acting as plant account custodian; maintaining files and records. reviewing outgoing correspondence; and gathering materials and/or preparing viewgraphs for presentations The incumbent will be expected to work frequent and offer unplanned overtime. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; knowledge of current regulations and instructions pertinent to the position; knowledge of correct grammar/spelling; ability o proof-read outgoing correspondence; ability to compose ondence and/or prepare non-technical reports; nowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff; ability to maintain and coordinate super visor's calendar and to arrange conferences; ability to organize and direct the administrative needs of the office: and the ability to deal with people of all levels, both civilian and military. Incumbent will be expected to demonstrate personal initiative and the ability to work independently. Status eligible accepted. Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required for secretary positions and may be licked up at the Receptionist's desk, 505 Blandy Av., Personnel Department.

ncement No. 3633, Supervisory Electronics Engineer, DP-855-3, PAC No. 8236665, Code 3622 - This position is that of a section head within the Systems Electronics Branch, Systems Engineering Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent will be responsible for performing the full range of supervisory duties for a newly-formed section responsible for production support of an air-launched RF guidance system. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of electronic design and analysis as applied to analog, digital and RF hardware; knowledge of production support, test equit ment, and contractor liaison. Previous experience as a supervisor is highly desirable.

Announcement No. 09.005, Federal Women's Program Subcommittee Member, All Series/Grades Code 0908 -This is a collateral duty assign cumbents will be assigned to the Federal Women's rogram Manger (FWPM), who reports to the Deputy Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, Civilian Per sonnel Department. Incumbents serve as members of the Federal Women's Program Subcommittee of the Center EEO Committee on a collateral (part-time) basis. Responsibilities include representing the interests o



today

A program on flyfishing and flytying will be presented tonight at 7:30 in the media center at Mesquite High School, located off Drummond Drive at Sanders Street in Ridgecrest.

For being selected as the Bluejacket of the Month for NWC, Petty Officer Perrotta will receive a letter of congratulations signed by Capt. Lahr, an NWC plaque, a 96-hour special liberty and 30 days of no-duty status,

and a reserved parking place at the EM. He will also be a guest at a luncheon meeting of the Rotary Club, and will have at his disposal the free use for 30 days of a 1982 Mercury Lynx sedan that is being made available to him by Desert Motors in Ridgecrest.



Tuesday, 4:30 p.m Tuesday, 11:30 a.m.

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Delay announced in completion of rehab work at Center gym

A 14-day extension in the date for completion of the rehabilitation work currently underway in the men's and women's locker room at the Center gym has been requested by the contractor.

According to Paul Baczkiewicz, athletic director for the Recreational Services Department, this has changed the date for finishing the work to May 28, instead of

While this work has been in progress, runners and joggers have had the use of the dressing rooms, showers and restrooms at the Commissioned Officers' Mess swimming pool.

Beginning on Monday, May 17, however, maintenance work required at the COM swimming pool in order to get it ready for use on the Memorial Day weekend will commence

As a result, it will be necessary beginning Monday for runners and joggers who wish to shower and change clothes after a workout to use the Chief Petty Officers' Club swim pool shower and locker rooms.

Program on art of flyfishing, tying lures set tonight

The program, which is sponsored by the Aguabonita Flyfishers, will feature Darwin Atkin, a national recognized flytier, who will present a film slide program about fishing on the Tule River, which is located in the Sierra above Porterville.

In addition, Atkin will demonstrate his flytying skill that has brought him nationwide recognition. Well known as an innovator, Atkin is a specialist in the use of deer hair for baitfish and insect imitations.

Tonight's program is open to the public free of charge. Additional information can be obtained by calling Chuck Newmyer, education chairman of the Aguabonita Flyfishers, at 375-5810.

Bluejacket . . .

(Continued from Page 1) Systems Department. His previous duty stations included El Centro, Calif.; Adak, Alaska; and Whidby Island, Washington. He is a career Navy man and plans to stay in the service "for the duration."

Off the job, Petty Officer Perrotta finds time to attend college classes, do some camping ("no backpacking, too much work"), and spend some time with his family. He and his wife, Linda, who is employed in the Public Works Department, have two daughters, Laura and Jean.

"A typical military family," he calls them. "We've been all over the place, but they still enjoy it."

Snack bar selling shrimp

A shrimp sale is now in progress at the Navy Exchange-operated Plaza Snack Bar, located next to the Recreational Services Department office in Bennington Plaza.

Patrons, both military personnel and Civil Service employees, are invited to take advantage of the savings offered by purchasing a 5 lb. box of jumbo shrimp at a cost of \$43.50. The sale will continue until the shrimp is sold out.

GOLF COURSE WINS - Dr. Bob Burns, who heads the local office of PRC Ridgecrest Engineering, and Capt. Lahr examine the perpetual trophy awarded to the winners of the NWC-Contractors annual golf tournament. Although the contractors, who challenged Capt. Lahr and the NWC team, won the tourney, the trophy is on display at the quarterdeck in the Administration Building. The real winner of the tourney was the golf course because \$1,100 was raised during the April 15 event that will be used for course improvements.

Commander's Cup tennis play starts Tues.

The call is out for military personnel who would like to take part in the Commander's 18; NWC Gold vs. VX-5 on May 19; and NWC Cup tennis tournaments that will be held next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

The schedules calls for tourney action to begin with singles matches at 9 a.m. each day, and wind up with doubles play. Each team is to have five singles players and two doubles teams ready to go.

It will be NWC Blue vs. NWC Gold on May Blue vs. VX-5 on May 20.

Military athletes interested in playing are asked to contact the following team representatives: Lt. Dave Feldman, NWC Gold, call ext. 2165 or 2166; AME2 Basil

Robinson, NWC Blue, ext. 5564; or LI2

Frank Lambert, VX-5, ext. 5236. **Promotional opportunities**

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vomen at NWC and in the community, serving as a comunications link for same with the FWPM and the Center EEO organization. Participates in the planning of special events such as Federal Women's Day/Women's Equality Day, FWP Annual Awards Banquet, and Secretaries Day activities. May also be called upon to serve as ad hoc committee member to assist in carrying out the requirements of the Center EEO program. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the particular employment problems of women; ability to handle work contacts with persons from all backgrounds; ability to establish effective working relationships with managers, personnelists, employees, and community groups; ability to acquire knowledge of the Federal Personnel System, agency procedures and employment needs at NWC; and ability to ommunicate clearly both orally and in writing. NOTE: Applicants are reminded to include in their SF-171 all relevant information concerning their past EEO experience and training.

cement No. 0816, Payroll Technician, GS-544-5/6, PD No. 8008035N, Code 08641 - This position is located in the Payroll Office, Accounting and Disbursing Division, Office of Finance and Management. The incur responsibilities will include, in addition to the duties performed by journeyman payroll clerks, the responsiblity for the accuracy of the computation of all non-standard ctions for their respective sections; the preparation of Payroll and Labor reports, expertise on payroll procedures for special groups, determining and computing of ement pay and training new or rotating payroll clerks. Job Relevent Criteria: Knowledge of computerized payroll systems; knowledge of and ability to interpret Federal payroll and leave regulations; knowledge of leave and labor accounting; ability to work well with others.

Announcement No. 31-055, Supervisory (Interdisciplinary), Mechanical, Aerospace, Electronic, General Engineer, Physicist, DP-3, PAC 8231558, Code 3103 position is the AV-8B Deputy Program N located in the A-4M/AV-8B Program Office, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department. The incumbent is responsible to the program manager for the technical management, supervision and administrative of AV-8B vities associated with a major portion of the AV-8B WSSA. The incumbent is responsible for the development of the weapon system support facility used in Operational Flight Program integration, verification, validation and quality assurance testing prior to Fleet delivery. Major responsibilities include the definition, development, supervision and/or monitoring of plans, schedules, manpower, progress and expenditures associated with assigned tasks or delegated to the supporting engineering staffs. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to provide technica coordination of the AV-8B WSSA; ability to interface effectively with Center administrative units and outside organizations (headquarters, sponsors, contracting of ficers); ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing; ability to administer program planning scheduling and expenditures; interest in and potential to handle people problems (EEO). Position has promotion potential to DP-4, however, promotion is not guaranteed. Previous applicants need not reapply.

Announcement No. 32-045, Interdisciplinary Mechanical/Aerospace Engineer, DP-830-3, DP-861-3, PAG No.'s. 8232795, 8232796, Code 3274 — This position is located in the Solid Propulsion Branch, Propulsion Systems Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumber analyzes, designs, and developes vehicle solid propulsion systems, performs interior and exterior ballistic calculations, conducts trade-off studies, conducts tests and evaluation, and provides guidance to system developers The incumbent is responsible for plans, coordination, and direction of both technology base and application activity and for maintaining close contract with sponsors, program offices and industry. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge o nechanical/aerospace devices, control systems, and other missile power components; ability to prepare proposals to

sponsors; ability to coordinate, monitor, and review the work of associates; ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing

ment No. 26-314, Mobile Equipment Servicer, WG-5806-6, JD No. 303N, Code 26774 — This position is in the Public Works Department, Transportation Division. Status eligibles may apply. The incumbent performs semi-skilled work in connection with the routine maintenance and servicing of automotive equipment. The incumbent services, lubricates, and drives automotive vehicles and trucks; services with fuel, oil, water, air, and anti-freeze; hanges and repairs tires and tubes; services and changes batteries; checks brakes, fan belts, etc.; washes and waxes sedans; washes and steam cleans vehicles, and performs other duties as required. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to do the work of the position without more than normal supervision; ability to service and maintain vehicles; ability to use manuals, specifications, catalogues, etc.; ability to use measuring equipment; ability to use hand and power tools; trouble-shooting and testing. Note: Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required and may be picked up at the reception desk or Room 210 of the Personnel Building.

Announcement No. 0815, Secretary, GS-318-4, PD No. 7908067N, Code 0842 — This is a part time branch secretary position in the Operations Support Branch. Incumbent provides administrative, typing and clerical support to the ranch head, other branch personnel, and the ATIPS Program Office. Responsibilities, include preparation of official correspondence from rough drafts; receiving visitors and telephone calls; preparation of time cards, travel orders and stubs; routing of incoming mail and visitors. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; ability to review outgoing correspondence; ability to compose correspondence and/or to prepare nontechnical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange edge of Center organizations, functions and military/VIP protocol. Supplemental Qualifications Statement require along with the complete SF-171. Supplemental are available in Room 113 at the Personnel Building.

Ann ement No. 32-044, Pipefitter Foreman, WS-4204-9, JD No. 8132011, Code 32534 - This position is in the Plumbing Shop, Process Systems Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent is responsible for the supervision of approximately seven pipefitters and in sulators engaged in fabricating, installing, maintaining and repairing various piping systems including vacuum systems, high and low pressure air and steam systems. hydraulic systems and hot and cold water systems. Primary emphasis of the work is in a research and ment area on ordnance systems, and explosive and propellent processing systems. The incumbent is responsible for sale work practices by his subordinates. Initiates procurement actions for tools and equipment as needed Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to supervise; technical practices; ability to interpret instruction, specifications, etc.; knowledge of materials; knowledge of pertinent tools and equipment; interest in potential to manage people problems (EEO). Note: Supplemental Qualifications Statement is required and may be picked up at the reception desk of the Personnel Building. File: SF-171 and the Supplemental to be received not later than May 28,

ment No. 3631, Administrative Officer, GS-341 7/9/11. PD 773611E Code 3606 — This position is located in the Harpoon Program Office, Engineering Department The incumbent is Harpoon business manager. The program office is responsible for the direction and coordination of all aspects of the technical support of the Harpoon missile development and production program. The cumbent is responsible for all program financial planning and management. This includes the production program, product improvement, FMS, and GFE financial agement. He/she must also manage all production

Police

reports ...

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A burglary that occurred sometime Saturday night or early Sunday morning at the Enlisted Mess, was reported to China Lake police.

In this incident an unknown amount of money was stolen from a coin-operated pool table by someone equipped with a key or a lock pick. Victim of the burglary was the Butler Vending Service.

WORKMAN'S TOOLS STOLEN Personal tools valued at \$300 were stolen from a tool box stored in the bed of a pickup truck. The theft occurred sometime last week during a time when the truck had been left parked outside Hangar 3 at Armitage Airfield.

BURGLARY AT BEQ-3

Cash totalling \$80 was stolen last week from an unlocked locker in one of the rooms at BEQ-3. China Lake police could find no evidence of forced entry into the room.

WALLET STOLEN AT GYM

A gym user called China Lake police on Saturday afternoon to report the theft of a wallet from a duffel bag where it had been stored while the victim was using the gym facilities. Amount of the loss was estimated at \$15.

SHEETS, BLANKETS TAKEN

A burglar who pried the screws from a hasp that held the lock on a linen storage room in Navy Barracks 880 departed with 14 blankets and 20 sheets worth \$282. The incident occurred sometime over the past weekend, and was reported on Monday to China Lake police.

adminstrative duties. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to manage the administrative support for a complex i development/production program; knowledge of NAVAIR organization; knowledge of financial management, and program management; knowledge of the government procurement system; knowledge of the requirements lifecycle-cost fields; knowledge of the requirements of DoD nstruction 7000.2 and Cost/Schedule Control Systems Criteria and their application to a weapon system program: ability to communicate well both orally and in

writing. Announcement No. 3632, Specification Writer/Editor GS-1083-7 PD No. 7936051N, Code 3656 - This position is. located in the Specifications Branch, Technical Data Division, Engineering Department. The incumbent will write, edit, maintain, and revise data, specifications and related documents used in the procurement of weapon ystems developed by NWC. Job Relevant Criteria: Working knowledge of weapon system design, performance, maintenance and operating characteristics; to be able to write specifications and related documents; ability to describe these characteristics in clear, concise echnical language; working knowledge of basic military mentation policies and procedures; ability to communicate effectively with technical personnel; knowledge of basic standards used in development of specifications Promotion potential to GS-12.

uncement No. 38-039, ADP Systems Acquisition Specialist, DA-301-3, PAC No. 8238511, Code 3875 - This position is located in the Technical Requirements Support Branch, Computer Sciences Division, Research Department. The incumbent provides technical review and monitoring of the Center's major ADP support services contract currently held by the Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC) as the Center's central point of technical contact with CSC. The incumbent reviews, analyzes and audits Contract Delivery Orders for technical accuracy, clarity and completeness and acts as liaison between the Center's technical and contract administrati The incumbent provides to Center management technical analysis of contractor performance and utilization trends, review of problem areas and acts as the ADP approval nonitor for the ADP Resources Manager, Code 01A1. Incumbent will work on-site at the contractor's facility. Job Relevant Criteria: In depth knowledge of the ADP software quality assurance process; knowledge of the ADP total project development process; ability to analyze automated information system initiatives; ability to handle contacts at higher eschelons within Navy to obtain approvals; working knowledge of the government procurement and contractual process.

ncement No. 39-012, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-5/6, PD No. 8239019N, Code 3908 - This position is located the Sparrow Program Office, Weapons Department This is the senior secretarial position in the office. The incumbent provides a variety of duties for the supervisor such as maintaining his calendar, setting up appointments and meetings, typing and providing proper distribution reviewing all ongoing correspondence for proper format and typographical errors, making travel arrangements preparing meeting agendas, making viewgraphs, main taining office supplies, sending and receiving on telecopier machines. 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 composicorrespondence an or prepare non-technical reports; knowledge of filing systems and files management; abilit to meet the administrative needs of the office; ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff of processes; ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Sup plemental Qualification Statement is required for secretary positions and may be picked up at the Receptionist Desk, Personnel Department, Rm. 100 Promotion potential to GS-6.



ROCKETEER

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Velveeta cheese.

TWO OTHER LIKELY SPOTS

what the fish like right now.

just south of Lake Sabrina.

River is also producing some good browns.

(DFG personnel remind anglers that limit

on the Owens between the Pleasant Valley

Reservoir and Five Bridges is two fish.)

Worms, eggs, and crickets work best in the

The best fish caught in a stream last week

Taboose and Goodale Creeks are all

tomorrow afternoon

A 6-hour soccer endurance match is

scheduled on Saturday from 2 to 8 p.m. at

Kelly Field to raise funds for the Murray

A portion of the contributions collected

also will go to the Ridgecrest Scorpions, a

team of soccer players under 14 years of age

that will be playing the Murray Junior High

Playing for the Scorpions, who are trying

to raise money for a team travel fund that

will enable them to compete outside the

local area, will be Jason Cherry and Billy.

Hugo, goalkeepers; Mike Mills, Scott

Hannon, Brian Haves and Danny Webster.

defenders; Scott Piri, Eric Wee, Neil

Johnson and Bill Ledden, midfielders;

Brian Collie, John Peterson, John Bain-

Local area residents who have not been

contacted by a player from either team and

still wish to sponsor one of the young

athletes who will be competing in this soccer

endurance challenge match are invited to

join the spectators tomorrow afternoon at

Kelly Field on the Murray Junior High

DRESS UP FISH LURES

Skirts can be made for lures cheaply by

cutting balloons into strips and attaching

bridge, and Tim Wee, forwards.

Junior High School student body fund.

producing limits of pan-sized trout.

Soccer endurance

match scheduled

nwc rocketeer

As snow melts, trout

fishing improving in

high country areas

extremely hazardous and not advisable.

floating baits and needlefish and Rappala

SPORTS

ROCKETEER

Summer season of slow pitch softball underway

The summer season of summer slow pitch softball competition got underway last week on ball fields at the Naval Weapons Center. A total of nine games each were played in the Men's Competitive Division and in the Women's Division, in addition to three contests by squads participating in the Military Division.

ARCS got the jump on other teams in the National Division of the Slow Pitch Softball League by hammering out a pair of wins at the expense of the Knights, 21-6; and the Mikel's Home Furniture nine, 13-7.

ARCS win over the Knights, but the victors went on to add 7 more tallies in the seventh inning of a 21-6 game. Two doubles, one each by Mike Brown and Lilly, were the longest hits of the game.

Four runs in the fifth inning were too little, too late for Mikel's Home Furniture in its 13-7 loss to ARCS, which scored 5 runs during its first time at bat. The victors built up an 11-3 lead after four innings of play and coasted to an easy win. Heavy hitter was Rick Featherston, who had 3 hits in 4 times



VOLLEYBALL SEASON FINALE - In one of two games played on the last night of an abbreviated Intramural Volleyball League season, the Jungleballers defeated the Slammers two matches to one in their Coed A Division contest. As this photo was snapped, Kris Kauffman (at left), of the Jungleballers is going up to block a shot over the net by Doris Sorensen of the Slammers. Watching for a chance to get in on the action is Dennis Vavrika, also of the Slammers.

weighed more than 8 pounds - a brown Burros varsity nine defeats taken on a night crawler out of Bishop Creek Big Pine Creek, Independence Creek, Falcons 6-5 in season finale

Burroughs High School's varsity baseball team finished the 1982 season on a winning note by edging the Palmdale Falcons 6-5 in a game played last Friday afternoon at Plamdale.

The victory gave the Burros a season record of 14 wins, 10 losses and a tie, and a Golden League mark of 4, 7 and 1.

The score was tied once and the lead changed hands three times in the Palmdale game. The Burros found themselves in trouble when Palmdale nut together a 4-run surge in the last half of the third inning, but the BHS nine came back with a 3-run rally of its own in the top of the fifth to win the game. The Burros scored first during their turn

at bat in the second inning. Consecutive singles by Dale Killilea, Mark Kaupp and Dave Vigneault loaded the bases. At that point, Jundy, the starting pitcher for the Falcons, issued a walk to Phil Kingsland, a reserve player who started in right field, and forced in Killilea for the score.

Paul VanderWerf, who started on the mound for Burroughs, struck out the first two Palmdale batters in the last half of the second inning. Kowalski, the next batter, singled, stole second base, and scored on a hit by Mangewitz that made it a 1-1 ballgame.

The BHS varsity regained the lead in the top of the third. Tim Lewis, the lead-off batter, singled, stole second, and scored on a double by VanderWerf. Killilea followed with an infield single and both runners advanced on a ground out by Kaupp. This set the stage for a fly ball hit to the outfield for an out by Vigneault that enabled Van- four times at bat), and Killilea (three hits derWerf to score from third and the Burros all singles - in four trips to the plate).

were back on top 3-1

The BHS lead was short-lived, however, as the Palmdale team tallied four runs in the bottom half of the third inning. Urgva (2nd baseman) started it off with a double and scored on a single by Anderson. Bruske (centerfielder) drew a walk and was driven in along with Anderson on a double by Lorak

Dan Galloway, who was sent in to relieve VanderWerf on the mound, was tagged for a hit by Prestage that scored Lorak before the Burros were able to get the third out that ended the inning with Palmdale leading by a score of 5-3.

but a 3-run rally by the Burros in the fifth inning produced the game-winning tally. VanderWerf doubled to right field and moved to third base on a single by Killilea.

Killilea stole second, but there was a strike out and a pop up by Burroughs to take some of the pressure off Palmdale before John Carroll (centerfielder) hit a bouncing ball through the center of the infield that drove in both VanderWerf and Killilea to tie the score at 5-5.

What turned out to be the game-winning hit was then poked into left-centerfield by Tim Allen (2nd baseman), and Carroll scored on the double by Allen.

The winning pitcher was Galloway for the Burros, who scored 6 runs on 12 hits. compared to 5 runs on 10 hits for the Falcons. Heavy hitters for Burroughs were VanderWerf (two doubles and a single in

Nine runs in the fifth inning clinched the at bat, including a double and a triple. Scores of other National Division games

> were: Vaughn's 9, Knights 2; and Blackhawks 11, Homestead 3. Vaughn's was led at the plate by Mark Pierce, whose 3 for 4 effort at bat included 2 singles and a triple. The Blackhawks outhit Homestead 21-7.

Three players for the Blackhawks - Brant Tunget, Tom Whitworth, and Al Chieze led the hit parade with 3 singles each.

In the American Division of the Slow Pitch Softball League, the Sports of All Sorts/Ridgecrest Animal Hospital team won its first two games by turning back the NWC Varsity 7-0, and ERA Best Realty squad 11-8.

Outhit only 13-10, the NWC Varsity was unable to get the hits when they were needed to score a run. The ERA Best Realty team vs. Sports of All Sorts game was tied 8-8 after the regulation 7 innings of play, but ERA Best Realty pulled it out with a 3-run effort in the top of the 8th frame.

Paul Von Schlemmer had 4 hits in 4 atbats for ERA Best Realty to lead his team at the plate. Longest hit of the game was triple by John Gardner for the winners.

Scores of other American Division games were CSC 5, Clancey's 1; ERA Best Realty 4. Renegades 1: and NWC Varsity 11, CSC 0.

Richard Oubre was the winning pitcher in the NWC Varsity's shutout win over CSC. The Navy team collected a total of 16 hits, including a home run and 2 singles by Vince Hewett. In addition, Larry Clawson had a double and 3 singles in four times at bat.

During the first week of play in the Women's Slow Pitch League, three teams won their first two games to end up in a tie for the division lead.

The High Desert Temporaries had a close call as they defeated Bill Wright Painting 9-8, but then came back two nights later to lambast the Mixed Nuts 39-1 in a 5-inning game.

It took a 4-run rally in the last of the seventh inning by the High Desert Temporaries to give them a 1-run victory over Bill Wright Painting. Teri Bitther hit a home run for the victors.

Two wins also were posted by the High Desert Home Center, which clipped Smith Concrete Construction 13-10, and clubbed the Mixed Nuts 30-1.

Also double winners were the Ridgecrest Electric Shockers, who blasted PRC Ridgecrest Engineering 20-0 and knocked off the M&M's 8-4.

Two home runs and a single by Debbie Knigh paced the Ridgecrest Electric 23-hit attack during its lopsided win over PRC Ridgecrest Engineering.

Scores of other Women's Division games were Smith's Concrete Construction 8, JD's 7; High Desert Import Center 23, CSC 10; and Bill Wright Painting 8, JD's 7.

JD's lost to Smith Concrete by a single run, despite outhitting the opposing team 19-16 in an extra-inning tilt. Leading hitter in this contest was Fran Cropley, who had a double and 3 singles in 4 times at bat.

Results of games played in the Military Division were Circle K 20, Sick Bay Commandos 0; Circle K 15, Rag Tags 9; and NWC O's 20, Rag Tags 15.

The Sick Bay Commandos weren't two healthy in the batter's box as they picked up just 2 hits in their 20-0 shellacking at the hands of Circle K. Vince Hewitt, with a triple and 3 singles led the 24-hit attack by Circle K.

The Rag Tags started off strong with a 9-3 lead after three innings of play, but were shut out after that by a Circle K team that tallied 4 runs each in the 3rd, 4th and 5th innings to post a 15-9 win. Heavy hitters for Circle K were Hewitt (4 for 4), with 2 triples, a double and a single; and Bill Collum, who had a triple and 2 singles in 4 trips to the plate.

The NWC Os 20-15 win over the Rag Tags was wrapped up by a 10-run spurt in the top of the third inning that gave the eventual winners a lead of 16-3. The Rag Tags rallied with 4 runs each in the 3rd, 5th and 6th innings, but couldn't overcome the opposing team's early lead. Tom Mariner and Tom Daniels, each with 4 hits in 4 at-bats, led the NWC Os hit parade.

categories.

Neither team scored in the fourth inning.

May 14, 1982

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 dependent. No other identification is necessary. Since only three or four questions can be answered in the Rocketeer each week, anyone who would like to ensure getting an answer to a question may leave name and address for a direct contact, but this is not required otherwise. There is no intent that this column be used to subvert normal, established chain-of-command chan-

QUESTION

Civilian - I would like to know the reason why the East Inyokern Road is blocked off between Dibb Road and Richmond Road during the evening. If it is for safety reasons, then why isn't King Avenue also blocked off? There seems to be more pedestrian traffic on King Avenue. This blockage has caused me to detour going home at night. Thank you.

ANSWER

Well, I'm sorry about the inconvenience but I think you'll agree there is good reason. East Inyokern Road is blocked because Pony and Little League games are played adjacent to it during the evening. The problem arises when foul balls are hit onto the road because the kids pursue them with good reason and great vigor. The reason is they are rewarded for returning the ball by getting a free treat. To ask kids to be careful under those circumstances is not going to work, so we have taken the easy way out and closed off traffic to prevent a potential tragedy.

King Avenue does not pose the same problem because it takes a fair ball home run to get a ball onto King. As the father of four boys, I can vouch for the fact that in Little League there are very few homers and lots and lots of foul balls. It all boils down to doing what John Quigley tells us to do each morning on Radio Station KLOA. He says to look out for the kids when you are driving because they won't look out for you.

QUESTION

Civilian - Why has no effort ever been made to provide a personnel access lane through the main gate that connects with sidewalks? Walking or riding a bike through the main gate is hazardous and this is ludicrous in this energy saving era. ANSWER

I'm not sure I totally understand your question. Currently at the main gate area there is an inbound bike lane connecting North China Lake Blvd. to a bike path on East Inyokern Road. There also exists a limited amount of concrete walkway near the main gate. The outbound bike lane is marginal, but will be improved after CALTRANS completes construction of Inyokern Road west of the main gate.

On-board the Center, bike lanes and bike paths are planned in many areas and will be constructed when proper funding is available. This year, the bike path on the south side of East Invokern Road will be extended from Byrd Street to Switzer Circle.

Sidewalks are expensive to construct, and we may not be able to fund enough in the near term to cover all the areas where they would be desirable. It is anticipated that some joint use of bike paths by pedestrians might occur.

QUESTION

Civilian employee/Center resident - I would like to know if it would be possible to make sure the China Lake Police Division doesn't lock the south gate before 7 p.m. Last night I left my house at 6:45 p.m. and noticed I had time to go through the back gate. I arrived at the back gate at 6:55 p.m. only to find it locked.

It is a tremendous waste of time and gas to go around to the main gate after driving to the back gate. The back gate should be locked promptly at 7 p.m., but not before. (I was not the only person who had to turn around).

ANSWER

You and others (some of whom also came forth) have my most sincere apologies for this incident. The police have been instructed to be very careful not to close the gate before 7 p.m. In the future, they will stay at the gate for a few minutes beyond 7 p.m. to allow egress for a person whose watch might be off by a couple of minutes OF SO.

Thanks for bringing this to my attention. We'll try not to goof this up again.

Demo Project career paths set for GS-11s, below

for administrative and technical specialist personnel currently at the GS-11 level and under who will be brought into the Civil Service Reform Act Demonstration Project this August at NWC and the Naval Ocean Systems Center, San Diego.

The difficulties in finding appropriate career paths are created by the wide range of personnel and skills falling into those two categories. Full performance levels for these positions range from GS-9 through GS-12, rather than the GS-12 journeyman level for S&Es, with some positions requiring degrees or technical training, and others that also are at the same levels not requiring such training.

Originally, DAs (administrative specialists) and DSs (technical specialists) would have been classified in the same categories as the DPs (S&E group and senior professional staff members). Since the DPs have significantly larger entry salaries than the DAs, this grouping of personnel led to salary inequities within the

The final decision has been that the

After considerable discussion, decisions grade levels will be GS-5-8, DA and DS level will have a full cycle of evaluation. have now been made about the career paths I; GS-9-10, DA and DS level II; and GS-11-12. DA and DS level III.

> Administrative specialists who had been classified already at the DA level III or GS-12 will be moved into the DP level III grouping (GS-12-13); those who are seen as having GS-12 level responsibility in the future can also be switched to the DP level III at the decision of their department head.

> Personnel Management Advisors will be holding a series of briefings for personnel who will be included in the Demonstration Project this August, and a public hearing will also be held late in May or early in June. During the briefings, questions can be answered and any statements can be entered into the record at the public hearing.

> Demonstration Project Bulletin No. 13 describing these career path changes is also being issued to those who are currently enrolled in the Demo Project, as well as to those who will enter the Demo Project in August.

Currently, it appears that NWC's clerical personnel will not enter the Demo Project as those from Navy, Army and Air Force. during this initial phase (up through July They are currently studying the NOSC and 1985). NOSC plans to have its clerical em- NWC experience under the Demo Project to ployees enter this summer - a year earlier apply appropriate personnel management classification level as related to current than previously scheduled - so that they changes more broadly within DoD.

WELL DESERVED AWARD - Bob Norman (at right), Ridgecrest Chief of

Police, presents a plaque to HM1 George LaMora denoting that Petty Officer LaMora has been selected as Police Reserve of the year, as PRCS Bob Hudson, his - Photo by PHAN Rebecca Carpenter leading chief, watches.

Sailor singled out as Ridgecrest Police Reserve Officer of Year

Hospital Corpsman First Class George F. same year. LaMora has been named Ridgecrest Reserve Patrol Officer of the Year by the Exchange Club.

Petty Officer LaMora, who works in the Biomedical Branch of the Parachute Systems Department, spends 20 hours each weekend working as a Ridgecrest Police Department reserve officer. He has logged more than 1,750 hours of volunteer duty time in that capacity.

Police reserve are unpaid volunteers who have completed police officer training again on their own time - and serve in a regular police capacity to help keep the community safe. The only pay they receive is for the time spent in court or for special events.

"It's really a family that volunteers," says Petty Officer LaMora, noting that his wife Veronica has arranged her time off work from Burger King so that she can babysit their three children, George, 8, Racquel, 7, and Veronica, 5, while he is on patrol.

He first got involved with police reserves when he was stationed at El Toro, and had finished taking the training at the police academy in Santa Ana when he was transferred to China Lake in 1980. He almost immediately checked with the Ridgecrest Police Department, found that reserves were urgently needed, and signed up. The Police Reserves themselves named him the Reserve Patrol Officer of the year in that

Since only 5,000 employees could take part

n any Demonstration Project under the

Civil Service Reform Act, and this will bring

the total number in the project at the two

centers to slightly below 5,000, the limit will

be reached. Therefore, NWC clerical per-

sonnel will have to await the decision to be

made in 1985 about whether the ex-

perimental system will become permanent.

Originally, they would have entered in 1983.

The Demonstration Project has engen-

dered enough favorable interest that a

Department of Defense Compensation

Policy Committee has been established

under the direction of the Deputy Assistant

Secretary of Defense (Civilian Personnel

Policy) to develop a joint services

legislative proposal making permanent the

key provisions of the Demo Project

throughout DoD for at least some personnel

The working group for this committee

includes personnel at the DoD level as well

categories.

While he has been at China Lake, Petty Officer LaMora has been actively involved with the biomedical research, has presented two papers at Survival and Flight Equipment Association meetings, and is co-author of an NWC Technical Publication.

He has also taken a number of photographs used by the Parachute Systems Department. "I started using my father's dark room when I was still in school in my home town (Massena, N. Y.), and I've been interested in photography ever since," he

Other job-related activities for him since arriving at China Lake include completing training as an emergency medical technician, and becoming a cardiopulmonary resuscitation instructor.

A qualified aviation physiology technician, Petty Officer LaMora will be going back to teaching this summer when he is transferred to the Miramar Naval Air Station

He has been in the Navy for nearly 171/2 years, but has not yet decided whether he will stay beyond 20 years. "That," he says, "will depend a little on what happens during the next two years."

Petty Officer LaMora joined the Navy as a corpsman shortly after completing high school because "my favorite uncle was in the Navy, I liked the uniform - and I wanted to travel."

His travels have taken him from San Francisco to Mombasa, with a 13-month stretch in Vietnam with the Third Marine Division that was distinguished by his picking up some shrapnel in a tender part of his anatomy

He says that he'd like to become a police officer when he leaves the Navy, but anticipates that he may be too old for the required police academy training by then. In any case, he notes that he has found police work immensely satisfying personally and would recommend without hesitation that others also volunteer for that activity.

Presentations slated on new health benefit plan

Additional briefings are scheduled next week about the Foundation for Medical Care Plan, a new comprehensive health benefit plan that is available to Naval Weapons Center employees.

The briefings, which will be presented by Marguerite Paige, a field representative of the health benefit plan, will be given in the Yucca Room of the Community Center next Wednesday and Thursday, May 19 and 20, and also on Tuesday, May 25, at 8:30 and 10 a.m., as well as at 1:30 and 3 p.m. each day.

Mrs. Paige also will be available from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on all three days to answer questions.

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Aviation transportation in future subject of AIAA dinner speaker

A talk on the subject of "Aviation Transportation: The Next 100 Years" will highlight the annual dinner meeting of the China Lake Section of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics. (AIAA).

This meeting, which is open to all interested persons, will be held on Tuesday evening in the dining room of the Enlisted Mess. A social hour at 6 will be followed by a porterhouse steak dinner at 7.

The program for the evening will begin with the installation of new officers at 8 o'clock, and the podium will then be turned over to Russell H. Hopps for a presentation during which he will assess the economic

Balloonists . . .

(Continued from Page 1) helium, and has a diameter of about 40 feet, considerably smaller than the Center's helium kite balloon. Although NWC project flights of the helium balloon are all tethered flights, the possibility always exists that it might break loose from its tether and enter free flight, so the pilots need to have experience with such flights.

For many years Powers has been the Center's only licensed balloonist for both the hot air and helium kite balloons. Since much project work is carried out by these lighterthan-air craft, eight NWC employees are currently in training for commercial balloonist's licenses under the tutelage of Powers, who also holds an instructor's license

Hickle, a mechanical engineer, and Caves, an electronics technician, have now completed their minimum training of more than 35 hours of free ballooning (at least 10 hours with an instructor and one solo flight each), plus passing the Federal Aviation Authority written examination.

Hickle also holds a fixed wing aircraft private license, and Caves has a private license for balloons; both expect to receive their commercial balloonist licenses shortly.

At tenants' meeting

Lahr on Tuesday evening when he held a question-and-answer meeting with tenants of Center housing.

Capt. Lahr preceded the open forum with his comments that he feels a strong sense of responsibility because the decisions that he makes on a day-to-day basis affect the lives Officer, who also attended the meeting, said of both military and civilians on the Center, and that while China Lake was not a Utopia, on a one-to-ten basis this was a national treasure and rated close to that ten mark.

are not chiseled in granite, but are reviewed regularly to see if they are still valid. Capt. Lahr also noted that the housing regulations are not set up to harass people but to provide the kind of environment that he feels eight out of ten people want to live in.

He encouraged the self-help program, and

state of airlines, as well as the role that fuel efficiency will play relative to dictating trends in aircraft design for the remainder of this century.

Hopps feels that technical opportunities for fuel conservation in aircraft are unlimited, but runaway inflation in both military and commercial aircraft development costs is making it more difficult to assure the economic viability of the application of these technologies.

During his talk Tuesday night, he will discuss both the benefits and the difficulties associated with advanced aircraft for the time period beyond the turn of the century. Hopps is a vice president of the Lockheed

Corp. in addition to being vice president and general manager of commercial programs for the Lockheed-California Co. He joined the Lockheed-California Co. in 1967 as engineering manager in charge of technical integration of the L-1011 TriStar jetliner.

In addition, Hopps' background includes the preliminary design phase of six aircraft (both military and commercial) that attained production status. In 1979 he received aurels from Aviation Week magazine for his leadership in the field of active controls, and two years later was elected a fellow of the AIAA.

Officers of the China Lake Section of the AIAA will be installed by Frank Wu, who has served as chairman for the past year. They are: George Stiehl, chairman; George Menard, vice chairman; Steven Carter, secretary; Dennis Sorges, treasurer; and James Serpanos, William Werback, William Clark, and Kenneth Katsumoto, council members.

Those from whom advanced-price tickets (\$8 each) can be obtained for the AIAA annual dinner meeting, and their telephone numbers, are:

Frank Wu, NWC ext. 3551; Stephen Carter, ext. 2627; Dennis Sorges, ext. 7367; George Menard, ext. 2943; Kenneth Katsumoto, ext. 7233; and George Stiehl, 446-5528.



APPROPRIATE SCENE - Larry Zabel, Special Projects Coordinator for the Technical Information Department, stands by the painting he made for the stairwell in the Administration Building. The bighorn sheep, which were native to areas on-Center, are depicted in acrylics on barnwood. Zabel spent about 100 hours on the painting (done with a palette knife). The painting was originally suggested by Betty Wright, secretary to Capt. W. B. Haff, former NWC Commander; he, Bob Hillyer, and Cy Ebersberger, head of staff for the Office of Finance and Management, approved the project that resulted in the painting being made and -Photo by Don Cornelius hung in place.

Skipper airs views on problems from pet control to drug busts

Dogs, drugs, dust, and duplexes was about to begin on 176 units of old highlighted the questions asked of Capt. duplexes. GSA, he said, gave permission only this week to begin tearing down the housing units that will not be kept, and a contractor to do this is now being sought.

> This led to a question about the dust that might result from removal of the homes. Capt. Jerry Horacek, Public Works that the contractor would be expected to plant natural vegetation.

In answer to a question about the status of the health and welfare inspections, Capt. He emphasized also that decisions made Lahr reiterated that the inspections were done on a random basis, that 50 units had been inspected so far and no drugs had been found in the family housing area.

He again said that he felt it would be discriminatory to check bachelor military quarters for drugs and not check other housing. He also said that he had reason to Ridgecrest Police Department gets. Capt. added that a major rehabilitation program believe that as soon as the inspection

program was announced, drugs moved from the base out into other places.

The China Lake and Ridgecrest Police Departments are working together closely to enforce not only drug laws but also other laws, said China Lake Police Chief Bart Immings in answer to a query that Capt. Lahr referred to him. And inspections of school buses and on the campuses of schools have been made at the express request of the Sierra Sands Unified School District.

The issue of noisy dogs, dogs and cats roaming free, and an apparent lack of responsiveness to complaints about animals on the part of animal control personnel led to a prolonged discussion. During the discussion between tenants, Capt. Lahr and Immings, the point was made that there are only two animal control officers for the whole valley and that they answer more calls just in Ridgecrest than the whole Lahr and Immings plan further talks about

the problem to see if any sort of feasible solution can be found. In answer to other queries, Capt. Lahr

said that the Center is very concerned about waste of water or other forms of energy and there would be a follow-up to reports made on individuals who waste water. He commented that the RV and trailer storage park is now open and available so that no vehicles of this type may be stored in housing areas.

Further emphasis on keeping the housing area for tenants in good condition led Bill Hatfield, Housing Project Manager, to say that of the 880 service calls made last month, at least one-third were emergencies, and that currently a chit will be answered and the necessary repair made within three days on a regular call and within a few hours in an emergency.

Noise from bikers who are riding illegally on the north side of Mirror Lake and behind the housing areas drew the comment from Capt. Lahr that he and Chief Immings would look into the situation.

Barbara Manning, who heads the tenants group, asked for volunteers to work at an ice cream booth during the Armed Forces Day celebration on June 27. The tenants organization is going to sell ice cream to raise funds for future activities. Those willing to help can call her at NWC ext. 2864.

Capt. Lahr added that the Armed Forces day celebration will be outstanding especially the fire-power demonstration put on by the Center. "The Blue Angels will be here," he said jokingly, "but after the firepower demonstration, even their flight will be anti-climactic."

The next tenants' meeting will be held on the second Monday of June at 7 p.m. in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel and all residents in Center housing are invited to attend.



Prior to Memphis, Johnson was invited to the National Fire Academy in Maryland where he and other triservice representatives of the Federal Fire Service developed a form that will be used to standardize the fire incident and fire reporting system in the Federal Fire Service. The response on this form will be computerized so that data can be pulled out readily to show just what type of buildings, equipment or aircraft are causing trouble, and what was effective in fighting fires that occurred. From this, enhanced fire

prevention programs can be instituted. Tuition assistance funds

funds and increased tuition charges. The 50 percent funding applies to all Navy ment's Summer Program Office contacted personnel who apply for the program for the local-area schools, most junior colleges in remainder of this fiscal year (through Sept. southern California, and all colleges and daughters of Navy military personnel or 30, 1982).



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DUE FOR MORE TRAINING - RM3 Daryl Shields is congratulated by Capt. Lahr after reenlisting for six more years in the Navy. Petty Officer Shields, who is assigned to the Military Administration Department's Message Center, will be leaving China Lake in June for the Naval Training Center in San Diego, where he will attend Communications Systems Technician School. RM3 Shields, a veteran of four years of service in the Navy, transferred to NWC in August 1980 from duty with the Communications Division on board the USS Ponchatoula, an oiler based at - Photo by Don Cornelius Pearl Harbor

NWC represented at meeting of **Navy Fire Protection Association**

All Navy military and civilian personnel are safer from the dangers of fire because of the U.S. Navy Fire Protection Association. Almost 400 Navy and Marine Corps installation fire chiefs and chief officers belong to the group, which recently held its 13th annual meeting (training sessions and workshops) in Memphis, Tenn.

Representing NWC at the meeting were China Lake's Fire Chief, Leroy O. O'Laughlin, and Deputy Fire Chief, Darrell R. Johnson, who also chaired the meeting as retiring president of the organization.

Of 150 activities in the Navy and Marine Corps, 110 sent representatives to the training sessions, workshops, seminars and displays of new products.

Topics covered ranged from "How to Survive a Hotel Fire," to "Fires on Submarines," to "Presidential Fire Protection at the Naval Air Station, Pt. Mugu."

In conjunction with the NAVFPA conference, the 54th annual Fire Department Instructors' Conference was held in Memphis, and was attended by some 3,000 firefighters from around the world.

Government workshops at this conference dealt with the groundwork that will result in tying together all the Department of Defense firefighters into one "family," with centralized procurement of equipment and apparatus, and a single standard of training for all DoD personnel. Fire research and development activities would also become service-wide.

for Navy personnel cut

Navy tuition assistance funding has been reduced to 50 percent of course costs for all applications received after May 5, 1982. The reduction is due to a significant increase in requests for tuition assistance

As the NAVFPA 1981-82 president. Johnson was the recipient of a plaque from the Association's Executive Board citing him for being instrumental in maintaining a standard of excellence throughout the Association and for his dedication to the improvements and advancements of fire prevention and fire protection in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps.

Happenings around NWC

Parents of all school-age children and other interested persons are invited to attend a meeting that will be held on Wednesday, May 19, starting at 7 p.m. at the Murray Junior High School cafetorium.

The program planned for that time is a talk entitled "Prevention of Drug and Substance Abuse" that will be presented by Brad Greene, an expert on family counseling and drug abuse problems from the Simi Valley Unified School District.

Ed Tucker, assistant principal of Murray Junior High, will introduce Greene, whose talk will be followed by a question and answer period.

The speaker will bring with him samples of some of the drugs and other substances he will be talking about, as well as educational materials. The latter will be distributed free of charge to members of the audience.

DINNER SLATED BY BOSS

The Black Original Social Society (BOSS) will hold an installation dinner on Saturday, May 22, at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The black tie affair will begin with a social hour from 7 to 8 p.m. before a program is presented. During the evening a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a local student.

Dancing to the music of the Uncle Famous Band from Bakersfield will complete the evening's activities. The public is invited to attend; a donation of \$5 per person is asked. MILITARY AFFAIRS COUNCIL

Members of the High Desert Civilian/Military Affairs Council were given a brief tour of the Naval Weapons Center during their meeting at China Lake last Friday.

The Council is made up of representatives of the "Desert Military" - NWC, Edwards and George Air Force Bases, Marine Corps Logistics Support Base, and Ft. Irwin - and of the various communities near these military establishments. These communities range from Barstow to Palmdale, and from Apple Valley to Bishop.

The High Desert Civilian/Military Affairs Council was formed to consider mutual problems and interests of the group.

At the meeting held at NWC, 15 cities and military establishments were represented. Those in attendance elected Barbara Little, vice mayor of Lancaster, as chairperson of the group. A charter was discussed and adopted at the quarterly meeting.

MANY KEYS, GLASSES FOUND

Naval Weapons Center civilian employees or military personnel who have lost keys or eyeglasses will be happy to know that a box full of such items has been collected in Michelson Laboratory.

Location of the box is the Washington Patrol guard post in the main lobby of the laboratory. Persons who have misplaced keys or glasses are invited to stop by and (after making proper identification) claim their missing property.

Most of the missing items have been turned in by custodial employees who found them in the restrooms at Milchelson Lab.

NEX OFFERS CATALOG SALE Navy Exchange catalog customers will be happy to know that from now until the ex-

piration date of the catalog on Aug. 8, 1982, there is a 10 percent reduction in price on all items listed in the catalog. Customers are to use the catalog's printed

price and handling fee, total the two, and then deduct 10 percent to compute the amount they owe for their purchase.

After the 1982 NEX catalog expires in August, a 1983 edition will be available for use in ordering catalog merchandise.

More than 1,100 apply for 280 summer jobs

Growing popularity of the Naval Weapons Center's summer employment program means there is both good news and bad news.

From the standpoint of NWC, the Center has no difficulty filling the 280 openings for summer jobs this year. The not-so-good news is that there are no jobs available for more than 75 percent of the more than 1,100 applicants in 1982.

According to Eva Bien, head of the Personnel Department, there were approximately 900 applicants for summer employment last year, 800 in 1980 and, the total number of those interested has doubled in the past five years.

The Naval Weapons Center strives to provide opportunities for young people and college students to not only earn money, but also gain experience in career-related fields since this will assist them in the direction of reaching their particular work-related goal. As an organization, NWC benefits too, because much-needed work is accomp by this temporary employment which, this year, will commence on/or after May 18.

More than half of this summer's 280 temporary employees will fill non-clerical jobs in such fields as chemistry aid, physical science aid, engineering aid, computer aid, and math aid. Hopefully, these individuals will consider NWC or some other federal government activity for fulltime employment after they have earned college or university degrees in their major fields of study.

Of the 280 summer jobs, 30 are summer aid positions that are reserved for economically disadvantaged youths between 18 and 21 years of age. In addition, there are 32 Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) positions that are paid for by CETA and filled from the ranks of those on their list of applicants.

Advance preparations for the NWC summer employment program began last December when the Personnel DepartProfessional Recruiting Program. Sent out at that times was an information sheet with instructions on how, when, and where to apply for summer employment at NWC, along with a supply of the proper forms to be

March 19 was the filing deadline for clerical (Group I) and non-clerical (Group II and III) jobs. A post card or letter acknowledging receipt of each application was sent to the job seekers. This cleared the way for the extensive effort that goes into reviewing the applications.

ALL APPLICATIONS REVIEWED

Each application must be reviewed to determine basic eligibility for the position being sought. Those who held summer jobs here in the past need not compete again, but they are not necessarily guaranteed a job.

Those seeking a summer job for the first time are assigned points based on their school grade point average (verified by an official transcript with the school registrar's signature). Without a verified GPA, a student job applicant receives no points for school work.

The second factor considered in determining in individual's eligibility for a summer job is his or her work experience. An applicant receives 1 point for every 3 months of work unrelated to the position being sought, or 5 points for every 3 months of job-relevant experience.

The individual's accumulative point total determines where an applicant will appear on the summer employment program register. Those with questions about their score or summer job application status should contact Tina Rockdale, the summer program coordinator, by calling NWC ext. 265

In keeping with the Office of Personnel Management regulations, two other factors also must be considered in hiring applicants for summer jobs.

All veterans are assigned additional points and must be assigned first to the job for which they qualify. Conversely, sons or universities associated with the Junior civilian employees may be appointed only if

there is no job applicant available who has the same or higher score on the list for the jobs for which they qualify.

In the summer aid category, jobs are assigned based on economic guidelines established by the Department of Labor. Sons and daughters of Navy employees do not qualify unless they are receiving financial assistance under a public welfare program, or are physically or mentally handicapped. Assignments are made to the most needy first.

Upon completion of the review process and placing applicants on a register based on their score and other eligibility factors, personnel of the NWC Summer Employment Office are ready to make assignments.

Managers at NWC may request a specific individual if they are aware of the person's talents or academic background. However, applicants who are competing for the first time must be "within reach" on the appropriate list before they can be selected.

From the list of those eligible for rehire, based on a previous summer or summers of work experience here, job offers can be made immediately to those requested by name. If a manager does not submit a request for a specific summer job applicant, both the rehire list and the new register are used to make the best placement possible.

NWC is fortunate in having more than 1,100 applicants for the 280 positions available. Many of the candidates have excellent qualifications, but due to the limited number of jobs only a relatively small number will receive job offers.

If an applicant declines an offer of summer employment at NWC additional offers are made to fill that position. This process can go on through June.

At this time, any summer job applicants who have not received an offer letter should consider other options, such as employment off Center or attending summer school.

Persons interested in permanent employment at NWC should contact the receptionist at the Personnel Building, 505 Blandy Ave., for information about job opportunities.