



**HEAD START ON CHRISTMAS** — Santa Claus (better known as Rae Leonard) has a private moment with Kenny Carr and Jeff Hall in preparation for the WACOM Holiday Bazaar being held until 8 tonight and from 10 a.m. until 3 tomorrow afternoon at the Enlisted Mess. Santa will be present both days while shoppers take advantage of the many special handmade and other gift items being sold by nearly 20 local organizations.

## Yard work a necessity during winter months, tenants reminded

Fall is falling and so are the leaves of the trees planted in yards of family housing on the Center.

Raking leaves up regularly, along with doing the other yard-tidying chores, is a good idea because a lot of insects love the shelter and protection that the leaves give them when on the ground.

Eager beaver gardeners, of course, keep their yards neatly raked because the leaves are superb either for mulching plants or in compost piles.

Yard clean-up is a task that takes a bit more time in the fall when the winds blow — Russian thistles (better known as tumbleweeds) come bounding into any opening, branches and twigs are apt to break loose and fall, and even birds' nests become airborne. Like many tasks, if done on a regular basis, the chore is a lot easier if performed weekly.

Even though the yard-of-the-month NEX adds tailor shop in move to expand services to patrons

In accord with the Navy Exchange's policy to providing maximum assistance to meet customer needs, a Navy Exchange tailor shop will open in the main retail store starting Monday. A skilled seamstress and tailor will be on hand to take care of the sewing and fitting required by patrons.

Also, for those who are planning to give photographic equipment as Christmas gifts, representatives of both the Canon and Kodak Companies will be on hand from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 25, to display their wares and answer questions.

Staff Sgt. Al Bucharelli, USMC, was the winner of the "Win a Workshop" promotion sponsored by the Navy Exchange and the Black and Decker Co.

The workshop included a jig saw, router, sander, 3/8-in. cordless drill, 7 1/4-in. circular saw, and workmate bench portable work center and vise. Total value of the prize was about \$400.

The promotional contest was carried on throughout the month of October at the NEX.

program will go into a "hold" status for the winter, there'll be a Christmas decorations contest again this year for which residents at China Lake are encouraged to decorate both the exterior of their houses or their yards. Judging will take place in mid-December for this contest.

And those who really like to plan ahead can work on their yards with next spring in mind: now is the time to plant perennials to bloom in the spring, to divide the perennial plants already in the yard, and to consider what annuals should be planted so that they, too, will bloom in the spring.

## Layettes available for enlisted personnel

The Navy Relief Society provides free, well-rounded layettes to help out low ranked enlisted personnel who are expecting an imminent increase in family size.

To be eligible, the enlisted person must be E-4 or below, and the individual (or his wife if the enlisted service member is male) must be in the eighth month of pregnancy.

The expectant mother (preferably accompanied by her husband, although this is

## Volunteers recognized for help provided to WACOM Thrift Shop

Fall is a time for thanksgiving and appreciation — and is, therefore, especially an appropriate time to honor the many hours of service performed by volunteers who prepare the merchandise and staff the Thrift Shop operated by the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess (WACOM).

A highlight of the November meeting of WACOM was the presentation of certificates to Thrift Shop workers recognizing the number of hours that they have spent marking, pricing, and organizing the stock, and for actually manning the Thrift Shop during its hours of operation, each Tuesday evening from 7 to 9, and Thursday from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

A certificate for 400 hours of volunteer service was presented to Maggi Tate. Betty Rein received two certificates — one for 100 hours of volunteer service, and one for

## Maturango Museum to host exhibit of local artists' work

Local artists who enjoy painting are invited to exhibit their work in a non-juried show that will be held from Nov. 30 to Jan. 4 at the Maturango Museum's Sylvia Winslow Gallery.

Paintings in all mediums will be accepted but each artist may enter only one work of art, which must be framed. Entries up to a total of 70 will be accepted on a first-application-received basis.

Paintings must be hand delivered to the museum office between 1 and 5 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 28. All entries must hang for the full length of the show. Paintings will not be accepted unless the frame size is no less than 9 by 12 inches and no larger than 22 by 28 inches.

Entries may be offered for sale with the proceeds going to the artist or may be marked "For Exhibit Only."

An entry fee of \$3.50 will be collected when the painting is delivered to the museum. This payment will be used to further the work of the exhibit gallery. Entry forms may be obtained at the museum, from Betty Curtiss (phone 446-4818) or from Maxine Booty (phone 446-6692).

A reception honoring the exhibiting artists will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the museum exhibit gallery. It is open to the public.

not a requirement) should come to the Navy Relief Society Office, 1811 Lauritsen Road (across from Schoeffel Field) during office hours, which are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. A current ID card is required.

The layette includes a large blanket, a handmade sweater set, and a variety of baby clothing. And, yes, if the baby turns out to be twins, a second layette will be issued.



WACOM's annual Holiday Bazaar is underway now and will continue tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Enlisted Mess.

Nearly 20 local clubs, and organizations accepted the invitation of the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess (WACOM) to join in this festive event by preparing a wide variety of hand-crafted items, as well as homebaked goods and candies that are suitable for Christmas gift giving.

The Enlisted Mess is colorfully decorated in holiday trimmings, as are the sales booths being operated as fund-raisers by local groups. In addition, Santa Claus is present for photo-taking sessions with youngsters who are interested in filling him in on their Christmas gift wishes.

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Dancing and listening to "Easy Loving," a local western music group, is on tap this evening for the enjoyment of members and guests at the Chief Petty Officers' Club.

The band will begin playing at 8:30 p.m. and wind up this session at 12:30 a.m. For those who wish to make a night of it with dinner before dancing, dinner will be served from 6 to 9 o'clock. Diners may select from regular items on the menu or the evening's specials of prime rib of beef or Icelandic cod.

serving as treasurer of the Thrift Shop.

Twenty-hour certificates were given to Helen Estell, Gladys Gardner, Angie Harrell, Linda Herbster, Mary Sue Hough, and Sheila Krajewski. In addition, a coordinator's certificate was presented to Bette Jacks.

Not only does the Thrift Shop provide a low-cost way to clothe a family, but also the money earned by the Thrift Shop sales goes to good causes. Each fall the profits are split evenly between the Navy Relief Society and the Combined Federal Campaign, and in the spring, between the Navy Relief Society and a variety of local charitable causes.

## Plans announced for Children's Christmas Parade slated Dec. 3

The Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the 14th annual Children's Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 11 a.m.

This year, the parade will follow a new route, supervised by volunteers from local organizations, and designed to make the parade easier and safer for the children who participate.

The parade will begin at the corner of Las Flores Avenue and Norma Street, and progress down Norma to Ridgecrest Blvd. The route will follow Ridgecrest Boulevard east to Balsam Street, then continue north on Balsam to the disbanding area at the intersection of Las Flores.

The theme of the parade is "Christmas Through a Child's Eyes," and was suggested by Jerry Joutet, who won a prize for her contribution. Several other contests will highlight pre-parade activities and the parade itself.

A committee appointed by Chamber of Commerce members will select winners and award gift certificates for the best-decorated residence and best-decorated commercial business.

Parade watchers are encouraged to observe the parade from decorated lawn chairs — they may win a gift certificate in addition to enjoying the parade.

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"DARK CRYSTAL"  
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SATURDAY, MONDAY NOVEMBER 19, 21  
"CONAN THE BARBARIAN"  
Starring  
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(Action/adventure, rated R, 126 min.)

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20  
"THE PURSUIT OF D. B. COOPER"  
Starring  
Robert Duval and Treat Williams  
(Comedy adventure, rated PG, 106 min.)

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 23  
"OH ALPHIE"  
Starring  
Jill Price and Alan Townsend  
(Romantic/drama, rated R, 100 min.)

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 25  
"NATIONAL LAMPOON'S VACATION"  
Starring  
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**CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED** — B. W. Hays presents the NWC Technical Director Award to David Rugg for the latter's outstanding efforts in developing the capability for the Naval Weapons Center to review, manage and control weapons system software acquisition to a level equal to that being done in the area of hardware acquisition.

## Rugg gets Tech Director Award for expertise in field of software mgm't

David Rugg, an engineering data management specialist in the Engineering Department's Technical Data Division, recently became the latest recipient of the NWC Technical Director's Award.

The presentation to Rugg by B. W. Hays took place during a meeting of department heads and other senior officials of the Naval Weapons Center that was held in the Management Center of Michelson Laboratory.

"There has been a lot of talk about software and software management, but Dave Rugg is the one individual who took that problem and ran with it," Hays said as he congratulated Rugg for being singled out to receive the Technical Director's Award. "I'm pleased to have someone who is so proactive available here who is an expert on software," Hays stated.

Rugg received an engraved paperweight, a letter of commendation, and a special stipend that accompanies this special form of a Superior Achievement Award.

Rugg, who heads the Software Acquisition Support Office (Code 36501) was assigned the task (early in 1982) of developing the capability for NWC to review, manage and control weapons system software acquisition to a level equal to that being done in the area of hardware acquisition.

According to R. E. Riggs, his division head, Rugg was called upon "to implement the disciplines of product assurance, documentation, and configuration management in the software arena, and bridge the gap between developers and managers in the design review process."

Riggs noted that it took Rugg less than a year to develop policies and procedures that establish the guidelines for technical review of software at NWC.

This was done by working closely with the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Automatic Data Processing (ADP) Executive Council, and various personnel in the management structure of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department to establish a Software Technical Review Panel.

The purpose of this panel, which is headed by Rugg as chairman, is to provide a major voice in interpreting software policy, and to advise NWC top management regarding the acceptability of software programs.

According to Riggs, whose nomination of Rugg for the Technical Director Award was endorsed by both Jack Russell, head of the Engineering Department, and Dr. E. B. Royce, head of the Research Department, Rugg also prepared a software discussion and checklist for inclusion in the Design Review Committee checklist and guide for

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## Just a few days left for contributions to 1984 CFC fund drive

Time's moving rapidly — only seven working days are left to complete the Combined Federal Campaign fund drive. All contributions must be received by Nov. 30 because Office of Personnel Management regulations require that the drive be completed by that date and no extensions are possible.

As of press time for this week's Rocketeer, a total of \$12,916.50 had been turned in by five groups. This includes donations made by those who have chosen payroll deduction as their method of contributing, as well as those who made their gifts in the form of either a check or cash.

With payroll deductions, civilians can spread their gift throughout 26 pay periods and military personnel, through 12. All moneys donated through payroll deductions will be deductible from next year's income tax, while cash or checks can be used for this year's tax return.

All donors have the opportunity to select the organizations — out of 127 agencies — to which they would like their contributions sent.

Key personnel are asked to move crisply so that they will be able to get in touch with everyone in their respective organizations in time to meet the Nov. 30 deadline.

## Sacrifices by military recalled on Veterans Day

Veterans Day 1983 was observed in time-honored fashion last Friday morning outside the Lloyd E. Frost VFW Ship 4084 hall in Ridgecrest.

A blustery wind stirred "Old Glory" throughout the brief program, and (at its conclusion) quickly carried away the sharp cracks of an honor guard's rifle fire as well as the final, plaintive notes of a Navy bugler playing "Taps."

Harold Platzek, a member of the Veterans Coordinating Council and master of ceremonies for the patriotic program,

fight in many battles in strange places," Platzek said.

His own thoughts on the Armistice of World War I (more than six decades ago) have grown dim due to the passage of time, the Veterans Day emcee said. Now its anniversary brings to mind events of more recent times, particularly the termination of hostilities of what he termed "the twilight war of Vietnam and the plight of the Vietnamese boat people."

The cost to America in human suffering included the lives of nearly 58,000 young men, Platzek recalled. "These young men, who so desperately wanted to see the light at the end of the tunnel, didn't live to march, sing or celebrate their return, nor would they become intoxicated with the wine of victory — for their thread of life was lost in the muck of battle as America paid the price in blood, sweat, toil, and tears."

Remembering also that many of the South Vietnamese who survived still risked their lives as they took to the sea in search of help in the form of rescue by ships that would

take them away from their homeland, Platzek warned his listeners of the need to "maintain peace with power" for there will be no ships at sea to pick up U.S. citizens if America ever suffers a fate like that which befell South Vietnam.

"We must not accept peace at any price, for that is no solution. There are things worse than death," Platzek said as he emphasized that it was the veterans of earlier wars who have paid the price to insure this nation's freedom.

"It is men and women such as these that we salute and give our thanks on this Veterans Day," the emcee stated as he concluded his opening remarks.

Marine Col. Tyler chose the Veterans Day observance as a time to call attention to terrorist action that recently cost the lives of many U.S. Marines in the mid-East, and to reflect once again "on the valor that veterans of this country's armed services have displayed over the years."

His presentation included the reading of

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Harold Platzek  
Master of Ceremonies

welcomed those in attendance and introduced Marine Col. John L. Tyler, head of the Marine Corps Liaison Office at NWC, who was the guest speaker.

Platzek, an employee in the Center's Ordnance Systems Department, recalled that it was at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 that the Armistice was signed that silenced the guns of World War I — a war to end all wars, those of that generation believed.

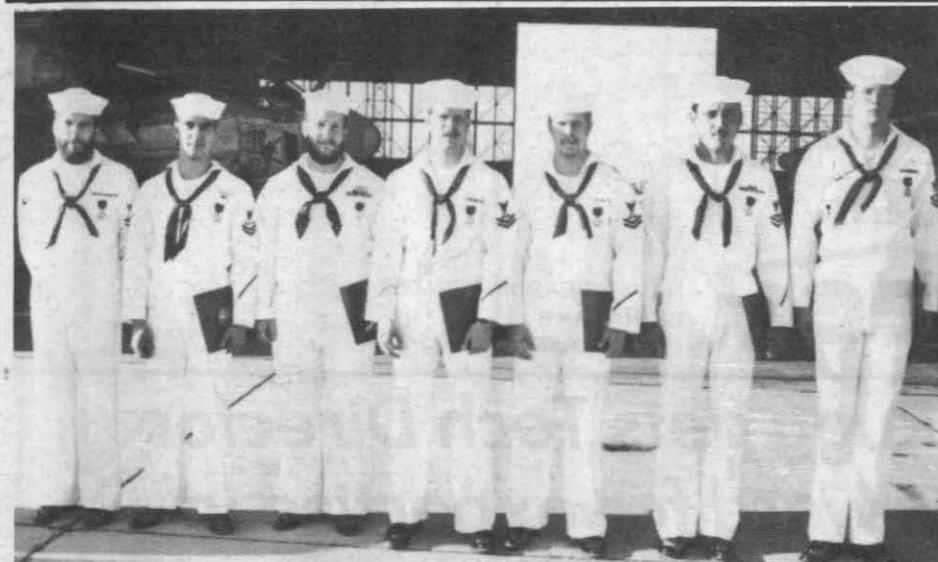
Today, what formerly was called Armistice Day is now known as Veterans Day "in memory of all Americans who answered the call of the bugler and marched off to



**NATION'S WAR DEAD HONORED** — A volley of rifle fire by an honor guard composed of members of local veterans' organizations, directed by George Beatty (at left), was part of the final salute to this nation's war dead during the local observance of Veterans Day on Nov. 11.

— Photo by PHAN Greg Hogan





GOOD SAILORS ALL — Seven Navy enlisted men were the recent recipients of first awards of the Good Conduct Medal that were presented by Cdr. C. C. Anderson, military associate head of the NWC Aircraft Department, during Code 61's weekly quarters assembly. Those cited for four years of continuous good service with no disciplinary action are (l.-r.) AO2 Joseph H. Hammond, Jr., AMS2 Michael A. Clenney, AD2 Michael M. O'Brien, PR2 Ronald C. Barton and PR2 Raymond E. Barton (twin brothers), AO2 Leslie D. Trotter, and AT2 Jeffrey H. Eden. — Photo by PHAN Rebecca Gill

### Lt. Ronald Tallman serving as Officer-in-Charge of local PSD

Lt. Ronald Wayne Tallman, a veteran of 14 years of active duty in the Navy, is currently serving as Officer-in-Charge of the Personnel Support Activity Detachment (PSD), China Lake.

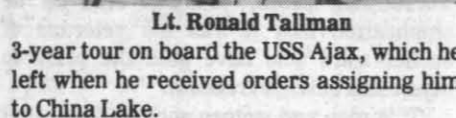
Lt. Tallman, who replaced CWO4 Martin Tubbs as O-in-C of PSD, China Lake, transferred to NWC from an assignment as administrative officer on board the USS Ajax, a repair ship.

CWO4 Tubbs left here to join the crew of the aircraft carrier USS Constellation, home-based at Bremerton, Wash.

Lt. Tallman, a native of Seattle, Wash., enlisted in the Navy in September 1969. After completing basic training, his first tour of duty was with the Personnel Department at the Naval Air Station, Moffett Field, Calif.

Two years later, in September 1971, he was transferred to his first sea duty assignment on board the USS Savannah, an auxiliary replenishment oiler, serving as a legal yeoman.

His service as a Navy enlisted man also included staff duty with the Defense Nuclear Agency, Kirtland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, N.M., from November 1973 to May 1977, and as ship's secretary on board the USS San Bernardino, a landing ship



Lt. Ronald Tallman 3-year tour on board the USS Ajax, which he left when he received orders assigning him to China Lake.

Lt. Tallman is married to the former Peggy Woodruff of Lancaster, Calif. They are the parents of a son, Brian, 8 years old, and a daughter, Annie, who is 5 years of age.

### Timecards due early because of holiday

All personnel who are responsible for the submission of timecards are reminded that because of the Thanksgiving Day holiday on Thursday, Nov. 24, timecards for the regular workweek ending on Nov. 26 must be turned in by 8:30 a.m. next Wednesday, Nov. 23.

This is necessary in order to meet the normal payday of Friday, Dec. 2. No timecards are to be held out, since failure to provide the Payroll Office with an accurate timecard by the Nov. 23 deadline may result in a delay in pay for employees.

In order to meet the Nov. 23 deadline, it will be necessary for departments to project or estimate what will occur on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Nov. 23-26, and submit the timecard by 8:30 a.m. next Wednesday.

On Nov. 23, if it is discovered that the timecard projections are in error as submitted, any errors can be corrected by submitting a revised timecard (annotated as such) between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 23.

Errors discovered after Nov. 23 should be set right by sending a memorandum to the Payroll Office, Code 08641, the following week.

Any overtime worked Nov. 23 through 26 should be submitted on a supplemental timecard for payment the subsequent pay period.

## 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 column will be accepted from current permanent NWC employees only. All others desiring employment at NWC may contact the Employment-Wage & Classification Division, Code 092, Ext. 2264. Ads will run for one week and will close at 4:30 p.m. on the Friday following their appearance in this column, unless a later date is specified in the ad. Advertising positions in the Promotional Opportunities column does not preclude the use of alternative recruiting sources in filling these positions. The filling of these positions through Merit Promotion is subject to the requirements of the DoD Program for the Stability of Civilian Employment. The minimum qualification requirements for all GS positions and positions subject to the Demonstration Project are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118; those for all wage system positions are those defined in OPM Handbook X-118C. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of experience, training, education, and awards as indicated in a written record consisting of a SF-171, at least one supervisory appraisal if it can be obtained, and any tests, medical examinations, interviews, and supplemental qualifications requirements that may be necessary. For managerial/supervisory positions, consideration will be given to applicant's support of the Equal Employment Opportunity programs and objectives. Applicants must meet time in grade and qualifications requirements by the closing date of the ad. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason.

**Announcement No. 22-089, Physical Science Technician, DT-1311-1/2 PAC Nos. 8332762, Code 3272** — This position is located in the Properties Analysis Section, Propellants Branch, Propulsion Systems Division, Ordnance Systems Department. Under the direction of a senior technician, the incumbent will perform a variety of tests, including impact and strength on explosives, propellants, and related materials; will perform simple calculations and fill out test report forms; will set up test equipment (calibrated as necessary) and perform routine maintenance; will operate a programmable calculator for some tests; will stand for extended periods of time and lift moderately heavy weights; will use protective clothing and equipment. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of physical science properties; knowledge of basic math; knowledge of physical science procedures associated with the use of chemicals; ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

**Announcement No. C-44-22, Multidisciplinary, Supervisory Aerospace Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Electrical Engineer, General Engineer, Physicist, DP-3, PAC No. 834505E, Mechanical, Electronics, Aerospace Engineering Technician, DP-3, PAC No. 804518E33, Code 611** — This position serves as the branch head of the Systems Development Branch, Recovery Systems Engineering Division, Aerodynamics Department. The incumbent supervises a branch responsible for design and analysis tasks associated with parachutes and other deceleration equipment used in aircrew escape systems, air delivered weapons and other military missions. The branch is involved in concept development, introduction into service and the improvement of a variety of equipment. Job Relevant Criteria: Demonstrates experience in the planning, organization and coordination of long-term technical efforts; ability to organize, direct and evaluate the activities of subordinates; ability to communicate, both orally and in writing to Center management, Headquarters level sponsors and supporting field activities; and a willingness to contribute to equal employment opportunity goal accomplishment.

**Announcement No. C-44-21, Multidisciplinary, Supervisory Aerospace Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Electrical Engineer, General Engineer, Physicist, Program Analyst, DP-3, PAC No. 834505E, Mechanical, Electronics, Aerospace Engineering Technician, DP-3, PAC No. 844511E, Code 641-1** — This position serves as the branch head of the Systems Development Branch, Recovery Systems Engineering Division, Aerodynamics Department. The incumbent supervises a branch responsible for design and analysis tasks associated with parachutes and other deceleration equipment used in aircrew escape systems, air delivered weapons and other military missions. The branch is involved in concept development, introduction into service and the improvement of a variety of equipment. Job Relevant Criteria: Demonstrates experience in the planning, organization and coordination of long-term technical efforts; ability to organize, direct and evaluate the activities of subordinates; ability to communicate, both orally and in writing to Center management, Headquarters level sponsors and supporting field activities; and a willingness to contribute to equal employment opportunity goal accomplishment.

**Announcement No. C-44-20, Interdisciplinary, Physical DP-3, Mechanical Engineer, DP-401-3, Code 0631** — This position is located in the Air Projects Office of the Test and Evaluation Directorate. The incumbent serves as a focal point for program offices and other sponsors for test work on the NAVWPNCEN ranges. Responsibilities include test planning, fiscal management, test coordination, analysis, and documentation. The incumbent will assume these responsibilities for the F-18 Test and Evaluation Program and will coordinate the efforts of teams consisting of both professionals and technicians from across organizational lines. The position requires close contact with the incumbent's immediate supervisor, sponsors, and technical and administrative associates. It will also require contacts with other Center managers, contractors, higher management, and national associates. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to analyze and thoroughly understand the requirements of complex technical programs; knowledge of instrumentation and data analysis techniques; ability to motivate others as well as communicate well both orally and in writing; ability to effectively work with various organizational levels at the NAVWPNCEN and with off-center organizations.

**Announcement No. PC-82-2, Procurement Clerk (Typing), GS-1104/02/04/05** — This position is located in the Public Works Department under the direction of the Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, San Bruno, Calif. Incumbent performs duties under the cognizance of the Officer or Resident Officer-in-Charge-of-Construction to which assigned, duties may include: alter OICC functions or ROICC functions, and involve the preparation of related documents and processing activities; establishing and maintaining subject-matter files; typing a variety of material into draft or final form, and assisting the supervisor in the procedural aspects of expediting the work of the office. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of Procurement Regulations; Ability to research and interpret procurement and contracting regulations, procedures, and guidelines. Ability to organize and retrieve and record data. Ability to provide clerical support to an office. File applications with Marilyn Parsons, Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P. O. Box 727, San Bruno, CA, 94066. Attn: Code 095.

**Announcement No. 24-017, Clerk-Typist, GS-344-4/5, PD 8334025N, Code 3440** — This position is located in the staff office of the Graphics Arts Division, Technical Information Department. The staff office is responsible for administering activities involving budgets, cost centers, contracts, equipment acquisition and control, and work schedules of division functions. The incumbent assists in the development and implementation of production and scheduling procedures, gathers and compiles branch

DIVINE SERVICES PROTESTANT

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| Sunday Worship Service                         | 1000              |
| Sunday School (Annexes 1, 2 & 4)               | 0830              |
| Bible Study (East Wing, Wednesdays)            | 1130-1230         |
| Roman Catholic                                 |                   |
| Sunday Mass                                    | 0830              |
| Daily Mass (except Sunday)                     | 1135              |
| Confessions                                    | 1630-1700 F-Riday |
|  | 0745-0815 Sunday  |
| Religious Education Classes (Annexes 1, 2 & 4) | 1000 Sunday       |
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| Unitarian                                      |                   |
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JUNIOR HIGH SOCCER CHAMPS — The Monroe Tigers, coached by Huibert de Haan and John Lelis, are the 1983 champions of the Junior High School Soccer League. Members of the Tigers, who posted a season record of 11 wins, no losses, and one tie, are (kneeling, l.-r.) Bobby Moldenhauer, Mark Bullard, Jeff Dufendach, Carl de Haan, Mike Bundt, John Bass, and Jason Bumgardner. Standing are (from left) Coach Lelis, Jay Okamoto, Bobby Burge, Jamie Bumgardner (team captain), Paul Lelis, Eric Wee, Bill Corley, Curt Stevens, and Coach de Haan. — Photo by PH2 Terry Pascarella

### Scorpions end soccer season; compete in Bakersfield tourney

The Ridgecrest Scorpions concluded the 1983 season by competing in a 10-team tournament last weekend in Bakersfield.

The Scorpions finished the tourney in a tie for fifth place as they earned 10 points. Six points were allocated for each game won, and one point was allocated for each goal scored (up to 3) in each game.

The Ridgecrest team sandwiched in a 2-1 win over Santa Maria between two losses at the hands of the Bakersfield Surf by a score of 4-1, and to the Bakersfield Inferno, also by a score of 4-1.

In the Scorpions vs. Surf contest, the Ridgecrest team fell behind 1-0 at halftime, and gave up another goal two minutes into the second half.

The Scorpions broke through for their only tally of the game at the 12-min. mark in the second half, when Scott Piri controlled a header by Doug Dragovich and fired a shot into the Bakersfield Surf net.

The Bakersfield team won it, going away, with two additional goals that were well earned as they wrapped up a 4-1 victory.

On Saturday afternoon, the Scorpions posted a 2-1 win over Santa Maria. Jon Bainbridge broke a scoreless deadlock with just a minute left to go in the first half, when he outshouted the Santa Maria goalie and kicked the ball out of his hands and into the net.

Nearly the halfway point in the second half, Joe Pakulak set up a score for the Scorpions with a pass to Bill Ledden, who lobbed the ball over the Santa Maria goalkeeper's head to give the Ridgecrest team a 2-0 lead.

A miscue on a kick by one of the Scorpion defenders allowed Santa Maria to tally its only goal in the contest with 8 minutes left to play in the game. Jason Cherry, Scorpion goalie, made the save of the day when he slapped down a point blank shot from 10 yds. with a diving, one-handed effort.

On Sunday morning, the Bakersfield Inferno got off to a 4-0 first half lead and were never in trouble after that. The Scorpions finally got on the scoreboard with just 14 min. left to play in the game. Scott Hannon dribbled the ball across the penalty area before driving a shot into the far side of the net.

Top teams in the tourney at Bakersfield were the Foothill Rangers and the California Golden Bears, who tied for first place with 27 points each. Both squads are from the prestigious State Circuit, which is composed of the best teams from each California Youth Soccer Association region from San Diego to San Fernando Valley.

Gym closed on Nov. 24

The Naval Weapons Center gymnasium and indoor swimming pool will be closed for the Thanksgiving Day holiday next Thursday, Nov. 24.

Normal hours of operation at these recreation facilities will be resumed on Friday, Nov. 25.

Skeet Club trophy shoot

The China Lake Trap and Skeet Club will sponsor a trophy shoot tomorrow starting at 10 a.m. at the Skeet and Trap Range. Range fees will be \$2 per line, and the event will be restricted to club members. New members will be accepted at the meet.

### Thrifty Wash team downs league leaders

Monday night's Premier (scratch) League match between the league-leading Raytheon Sidewinders and the runner-up Thrifty Wash keggers provided the opportunity for Thrifty Wash to gain ground on the Sidewinders by hanging a 15 1/2 to 9 1/2 defeat on the first place team.

The evening's high team game of 1069 and high team series of 2987 both were rolled by the Hideaway squad, while Earle Roby garnered high individual series honors with a 3-game total of 666.

Larry Nolan fired a triple 200 series of 627 that was built on single game scores of 214, 200 and 213.

In addition to Roby, other Premier League bowlers over the 600 series mark were Mike Dowd (627), Glen Collins and Dick Schweitzer (624), Keith Becker (616), Aaron Kane (613), Allen Smith (606), and Dick Bauers (602).

### Intramural basketball team rosters due

Preparations for the start of the NWC/Ridgecrest Recreation Department Intramural Basketball League season call for rosters listing names of players and deposits due from each team to be submitted right away.

Such information from coaches or managers of military teams must be submitted to the NWC gym office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday.

### Promotional opportunities

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**Announcement No. 36-017, Interdisciplinary Supervisory Computer Scientist, Electronics Engineer, Physicist, Mathematician, DP-3A, 855, 1310, 1520, 1550-3/4, PAC No. 8338592, Code 3872** — This position is located in the Computer Services Branch, Computer Sciences Division of the Research Department. The Computer Services Branch is responsible for the acquisition, operation, and maintenance of automatic data processing (ADP) equipment and system software for the NWC Central Computing Facility (CCF). The incumbent will be head, System Software Section. The personnel of the System Software Section enhance and maintain the operating systems and related libraries and processors for a Sperry 1100/83, VAX 780, Honeywell Page Processing System, and COMP 80 system. The incumbent will give technical direction to the system software personnel, establish tasks, coordinate tasks with affected organizations and provide configuration control of the operating system software. The incumbent will review and evaluate new software releases and coordinate work with the vendors' system software project managers. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to provide leadership to a multidisciplinary group of mathematicians and computer specialists; ability to deal effectively with all levels of personnel; ability to communicate well (both orally and in writing); ability to plan and track a project from concept to completion; knowledge of the structure of computer operating systems for the large scale, multiprocessing computers (in particular Sperry 1100/05; knowledge of 1100 assembly language. Willingness to support Federal EEO program goals and objectives. Status eligibles may apply. Previous applicants need not reapply.

**Announcement No. 38-018, Research Chemist, DP-1220-03/04, PD No. 8338499E, Code 3852** — Position is located in the Energetic Materials Branch of the Research Department, Chemistry Division. The incumbent originates, plans and executes long-range, intensive basic and applied research programs of fundamental interest in synthesis, structure elucidation, chemical behavior and physical organic chemistry in areas of major interest to the Navy. A high level of creativity and scientific knowledge is required in these efforts and it is expected that certain problems of extraordinary difficulty will be attacked and solved. Job Relevant Criteria: — The incumbent will have a PhD in Organic or Physical Organic Chemistry. The incumbent will have had three to five years experience in basic and applied research concerning energetic materials which will include synthesis, characterization, reactivity, and utilization of energetic materials. Experience in test and evaluation of detonant, primary and secondary explosives as well as knowledge of explosive formulation techniques will also be advantageous. The incumbent will be skilled in modern synthetic techniques, use of modern spectroscopic tools such as nuclear magnetic resonance, mass spectroscopy, x-ray and infrared spectroscopy, and modern chromatography.

**Announcement No. 24-085, Supervisory Police Officer, GS-083-7, PD No. 7184012N, Code 2413** — Position is located within the NWC Police Division, Safety and Security Department. Primary function is that of first line supervisor of Patrol Branch responsible for a number of three watches (shifts). Incumbent will primarily perform duties in the field, supervising the actions and performance of patrolmen; will ensure that all investigations handled by patrol units are properly conducted, incumbent will, while on patrol, act as a patrol unit and will be alert to law violators; evidence of the occurrence of a crime or conditions which would adversely affect the welfare of the Center. Job Relevant Criteria: — Knowledge of all aspects of police work, particularly patrol procedures and criminal investigations; knowledge of state and federal criminal law; ability to motivate and supervise; ability to communicate with others effectively; ability to prepare clear and concise reports; willingness to support Federal EEO policies and goals.

**Announcement No. 29-043, Engineering Technician, DT-802-2/3, PAC No. To be assigned, Code 3941** — This position is located in the Sensors & Platforms Branch, Electronics Division, Weapons Department. Specifically, the position is located in the Code 2941 White Room. The work in this section for the most part deals with the assembly and test of electro-optical seekers. A large amount of the work evolves around advanced state-of-the-

art seeker assemblies. Job Relevant Criteria: The ability to work and interface with other technicians, senior engineering personnel, and managers at the project office level. A strong mechanical background is required for this position. Experience as a machinist/model maker via an accredited apprentice program or trade school will be considered for relevant criteria. Experience in the electro-optical gyro/seeker is desirable but not a requirement.

**Announcement No. 08-047, Accounting Technician, GS-525-4/5, PD No. 7980014N, Code 0821** This position is located in the Office of Finance and Management, Accounting and Disbursing Division, Cost Accounting Branch. The incumbent is a specialist in the control and maintenance of cost accounting records and subsidiary ledgers for the Commercial Section. Job Relevant Criteria: Interest and aptitude in working with figures; ability to maintain a high level of accuracy in work requiring close attention to detail; interest in the purpose and effect of prescribed procedures; initiative in questioning unusual actions or in obtaining information to support or verify questionable actions; demonstrated analytical ability in interpreting and applying a body of regulations and procedures under varying conditions; substantial responsibilities for verifying the accuracy and completeness of data in source and supporting documents or reports and for tracing and correcting discrepancies; and ability to reconcile records maintained with related accounting data. Status eligibles are accepted.

**Announcement No. 00-026, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, PD No. 8332517, Code 3263** — This position is located in the Weapons Systems Branch "A", Conventional Weapons Division, Ordnance Systems Department. The incumbent provides clerical support to the branch and a knowledge and working skill on an IBM Mag Card II typewriter is preferable. **Announcement No. 00-026, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, Code 00 (2 vacancies) (Intermittent)** — This position is located in the Office of the Commander, Naval Weapons Center, and provides clerical support to that office. Previous applicants need not reapply. **Announcement No. 28-019, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-03/04, PD No. 8332610N, Code 3873** — This position is located in the Applied Mechanics Branch of the Engineering Sciences Division. **Announcement No. 00-025, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-4/5, Code 03** — This is an intermittent position located in the Office of the Laboratory Director and provides support to that office. **Announcement No. 33-029, Secretary (Typing), GS-318-2/4, Code 3353** — This position serves as secretary to the head, Exploratory Development Branch. Previous applicants need not reapply.





### Giants win '83 title in Senior Division of Youth Football League

The Giants, Indians Wells Valley entry in the Tri-Valley Youth Football League, completed an undefeated season last Saturday with a free-scoring 41-28 win over Kern Valley.

The game, played in sporadic rain at Kern Valley High School, was highlighted by the topnotch performance of Kerry Ashley, a running back for the Giants, who scored two touchdowns and gained a total of 206 yds.

Ashley got the Giants on the scoreboard with a 65-yd. punt return for a touchdown in the first quarter. The Giants' 6-0 lead was short-lived, however, as Kern Valley scored a few minutes later on a long pass to Chris LaVeck, and added the 2-point conversion to go ahead 8-6.

Ashley's second touchdown of the day was tallied on a fourth down fake punt play that picked up 50 yds. and regained the lead, 13-8, for the Giants following a successful kick for the PAT by Dan White, quarterback for the IWV team.

Both teams scored again before the half, which ended with the Giants leading by a margin of 19-14. Kern Valley tallied on a 30-yd. pass play, but the Giants drove right back and broke Bubba Sperry loose for a 20-yd. run to paydirt.

The Giants retained their momentum by putting together a 70-drive after receiving the second half kickoff. Hard running by Ashley and James Willie sparked this drive, which was capped off when Willie burst into the end zone from the Kern Valley 8-yd. line. The Giants added 2 points on a run by Willie to boost their lead to 27-14 in the third quarter.

Early in the final period of play, Dann White, quarterback for the Giants, dropped back for a pass, but then found an opening and ran 35 yds. for another Giants' touchdown that increased the lead of the IWV team to 33-14.

Kern Valley reduced that to 33-20 on another tally by LaVeck, only to give way on defense as the Giants started another drive that also carried them to paydirt. Running by Ashley and Willie, who each broke loose for runs of 20 yds., put the ball in position for a score by Ernie Perlas, who cracked over from the 6-yd. line. Carmelo Panucci ran the ball over for the extra 2 points that gave the Giants a 41-point total.

The Kern Valley team came up with too little, too late by scoring one more time before losing this high-scoring contest by a final tally of 41-28.

In other Youth Football League games played at Kern Valley, the IWV Chargers and the IWV Bears defeated their Kern Valley opponents by scores of 16-2 and 19-6, respectively. In the Sophomore Division tilt, the IWV Dolphins were trounced 56-20 by Kern Valley.

### Over-Hill Track Club to stage three-mile turkey trot Nov. 24

Distance runners are invited to participate in the annual Thanksgiving Day turkey trot — a 3-mile run sponsored by the Over-the-Hill Track Club (OHTC).

The race, which will follow a well-marked course, will start at the Cerro Coso Community College parking lot. Registration is scheduled at 8:30 a.m. and the race will get underway at 9:30.

There is a \$1 entry fee that is payable at the time of registration, and winners in the various divisions of the race will receive prizes donated by Ridgecrest area merchants — including gift certificates for turkeys.

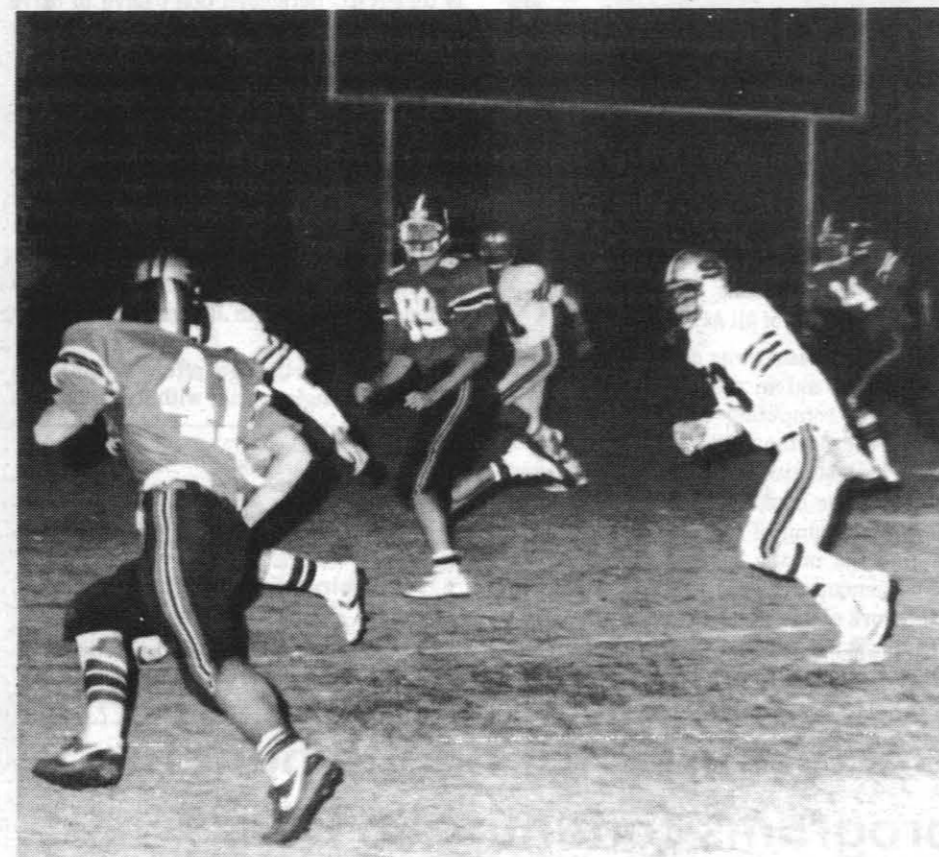
## BHS varsity ends football season on winning note

Burroughs High School's varsity football team rang down the curtain on the 1983 season with a 34-6 win over the Saugus Centurions in a game played at the BHS athletic field on Thurs., Nov. 10.

The victory over the Centurions, who were winless in league play and had only a tie with Palmdale to show for their 1983 season efforts, gave the Ridgecrest team a Golden League record of 2 wins and 3 losses, and an overall record for the season of 3 and 7.

A strong, southwesterly wind was a factor in the Burroughs vs. Saugus contest, particularly when it came to trying to kick into the breeze on fourth down.

Neither team was able to score in the first quarter — most of which was spent by the Burros deep in their own territory after drawing a 15-yd. penalty on the game-opening kickoff that moved the ball back to the BHS 3 yd. line.



**BREAKS INTO OPEN** — Randy Aguon (No. 41), stellar running back for the Burroughs High varsity team, breaks into the secondary for a modest gain in the Burros vs. Saugus game that closed out the local high school football season.

## Results reported of weekly youth soccer play

On the next-to-last week of the Youth Soccer League's fall season of play, there were two closely-played contests and one game that was won by the lopsided score of 7-1 in Division 5-6 competition.

The Sounders and the Tornados edged the Whitecaps and Roughnecks, respectively, by scores of 2-1 and 3-2, while the Rogues trampled the Kicks 7-1. In another high-scoring contest in Division 5-6, the Diplomats defeated the Surf 6-3.

Two goals by Daniel Hobson, assisted by Peter Martinez and Craig Hata, provided the edge that gave the Sounders a 2-1 win over the Whitecaps, whose only goal was tallied by Tim Pogue.

In a well-played game by both teams, the Tornados slipped past the Roughnecks as a result of two goals by Will Freeman and one score by Matthew Goss. Both of the goals for the Tornados were scored by Kevin Colie.

The Diplomats powered their way past the Surf on the strength of two goals each by Tim Castleberry and Shawn Hamilton to which were added single tallies by Derek Lindsey and Jeremy Osborn. In the scoring department, the Surfs came up with a pair of goals by Dean Waldron and one by Matt Duncan, while Chadd Bass had two assists.

Jeff Smith and James Sweeney were standouts on defense for the Rogues, who gave up just one goal on a penalty kick by Tim Matson in their 7-1 win over the Kicks.

Close, low-scoring games were the order of the day last Saturday in games played between teams competing in Division 3-4 of the Youth Soccer League. Results were: Earthquakes 3, Aztecs 2; Cosmos 1, Strikers 1 (tie); Lancers 2, Blizzard 0; and Drillers 1, Sockers 0.

A costly clipping penalty combined with an unsportsmanlike conduct call nullified a pass from Daniel Means, Burros quarterback, to running back Randy Aguon on a play that gained 70 yds. and an apparent first down at the Saugus 12. The dual penalties moved the ball back to the visitors' 41, however.

Early in the second period of play, Steve Barkley, a defensive back for Burroughs, picked off a pass thrown by Lee Sharman, the Saugus quarterback, and returned the ball 20 yds. for a touchdown. The PAT was added by Means to give the Burros a 7-0 lead after 4 1/4 minutes of play in the second quarter.

A short time later, the Burros' defense did its job again. Chad Carrasco's recovery of a Saugus fumble gave BHS the ball on the Saugus 8 yd. line. A low bullet pass thrown by Means was caught by Jeff Lillywhite in

the end zone, as the Burros capitalized on the earlier miscue by the Centurions to score again and increase their lead to 14-0, following the PAT on a kick by Means.

A fourth down punt into the wind that carried only 12 yds. to the Saugus 26 put the Burros offense back in business once again in the closing minutes of the first half. Operating from that good field position, Means hit Randy Aguon with a screen pass that picked up 18 and a first down at the Saugus 8, before pitching another strike to Barkley, who caught the ball in the end zone for his second touchdown of the night.

After the PAT on a kick by Means, the Burros went into the locker room at half-time with a comfortable 21-0 lead.

Saugus elected to take the wind at its back to start the third period of play, but was

In one of their toughest league games of the season, the Burroughs High School sophomore griders defeated Saugus 13-0 on Nov. 10 to win the 1983 Golden League championship.

The sophs, coached by Dirk McJunkin and Jim Means, won five straight league games and four out of five non-league tilts to post a 9-1 record for the season.

unable to stop a scoring drive of 74 yds. by the Burros, who upped their lead to 27-0 on a 10 yd. burst through the line by Tony Shields. This time, Means' try for the PAT on a kick saw the ball caught by the wind and blown wide of the uprights.

A dual penalty that cost the Burros 30 yds. moved the ball back from their own 48 to the 10 yd. line and set the stage for the only Saugus touchdown of the night.

Moments later, the fumble of a high snap from center on fourth down by the BHS punter gave the Centurions the ball at the Burros 10, and Troy Koopman, running back for the Centurions, boomed over from the 1 for a TD. The try for the PAT on a kick was blocked by Burroughs making the score 27-6 in favor of the Ridgecrest team with just 40 sec. left to play in the third quarter.

Once again with the wind behind them, the Burros put together a long drive that carried to the Saugus 9 before running out of gas. Deep in their own territory, the Cen-

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The Earthquakes, who posted their first win of the season, gave up two first-half goals to the Aztecs, but (assisted by the wind) came storming back with three second-half tallies of their own to win the game.

One goal each by Robbie Stark, Brad Bays and Scott Hansen enabled the 'quakes to overcome the Aztecs 2-0 lead, which came on goals by Steven Lundwall and Matthew Bullock.

In an exciting, hard-played game, the Strikers and Cosmos had to settle for a 1-1 tie. Scott Becker got the Strikers off to a 1-0 lead with a goal early in the first quarter.

**An all-star soccer game, featuring the top players from the Murray Junior High soccer teams taking on their counterparts from James Monroe Junior High in Ridgecrest, will be played on Saturday evening, starting at 6:30, at the Burroughs High School athletic field.**

**Proceeds from the admission price of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children will be used to help pay for the purchase of soccer equipment.**

play, but this was matched later in the contest, by Ted Mechtenberg's goal for the Cosmos.

During the Lancers' 2-0 shutout over the Blizzard, Chris Cox was on the receiving end of a pass from Charles Eberhart and fired the ball into the net for the Lancer's initial tally. In the fourth period of play, Cox returned the favor with an assist that got the ball to Pat Rindt for a fourth period tally. Good defensive play by Jason Furnish and Eberhart was instrumental in the Lancers' win over the Blizzard.

A second period goal by Michael Kinne

turned out to be the only score in the Drillers' 1-0 win over the Sockers. Alex Valdivia and Jason Rainwater helped to work the ball into scoring position for Kinne. The Sockers missed two good scoring opportunities in the first half.

Another series of closely-played games also was the story last Saturday in Division 1-2 of the Youth Soccer League. The Apollos and Cobras edged the Rowdies and Fury, respectively, by the identical score of 2-1; the Eagles defeated the Chiefs 1-0; and the game between the Express and Owls ended in a 1-1 tie.

Joe Mechtenberg, who scored one of his team's two goals, was singled out as the top player on offense for the Apollos, whose defense was led by Damon Kelling in their 2-1 defeat of the Rowdies. David Renner picked up the only score of the game for the Rowdies, whose top defensive player was Mike Franklin.

A single goal by Sean Waldron, assisted by Mike Fredericks, was the only score in the Eagles' 1-0 win over the Chiefs, who are showing improvement over their earlier efforts this season.

A goal by Ben Friedman in the closing moments of the game earned the Express a 1-1 tie with the Owls. Chad Killinger led the defensive effort for the Express that limited the Owls to a single tally.

A second quarter goal by Andy Lopez got the Fury off to a 1-0 lead over the Cobras, who rebounded with two goals of their own to win the game by the slim margin of 2-1.

Isaac Curran scored both goals for the Cobras, getting assists from Samuel Stevens and Cris Taylor, but the story of the game was the outstanding effort that was turned in on defense by the Cobras.

## 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. K. A. Dickerson. 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 channels.

### QUESTION

**Military dependent** — I would like to know who operates and maintains the recycling center on the Center. If there is money made from this activity, what is done with it? Thank you.

### ANSWER

The Employee Services Board, Code 0909, is responsible for the operation of the recycling center. Currently, the effort has been contracted out. The contractor operates and maintains the recycling center under our current contract.

The money made from the activity currently helps pay the salary of the part-time employee who manages the Employee Services Board operations.

### QUESTION

**Civilian dependent** — I would like to know the status of the White Blood Cell Count Study and bone marrow biopsy tests. Are we going to have an update meeting? And when?

### ANSWER

According to Dr. Frank Garland, epidemiologist from the Naval Research Center, San Diego, a report of Phase I will be forthcoming in early December. After the report has been circulated to Center personnel, a base-wide meeting will be planned to discuss both Phase I and Phase II of the White Blood Cell Study.

## Technical Director Award . . .

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program in computer science offered by Chico State University through courses conducted locally, and is continuing to work toward a master's degree in this field.

At about the same time, Rugg had the opportunity to put classroom theory into practice when he joined the Weapons Systems Software Office in Code 31 (then headed by Dennis Farrell). His work at that time, Rugg recalled, involved him in A-6, A-7, and F/A-18 aircraft weapon software support activities.

Rugg credits Farrell with providing him major assistance in the translation of engineering disciplines into the software arena.

Subsequently, before taking on his current assignment, Rugg handled the software portion of a team effort that was made to get the Cooperative Tracking System (a scoring and target tracking program for use in the Fleet) back on schedule and operating within its budget.

One of the major thrusts of his present position in the Software Acquisition Support Office, Rugg said, is to serve as a staff function to the Automatic Data Processing Executive Council in planning NWC strategies for the acquisition of computer technology for the next 20 years.



**BARBERSHOP HARMONY** — Clay Panlaqui (back to camera) directed a men's barbershop harmony chorus in the singing of "America the Beautiful" and "This Is My Country" during the Veterans Day program held outside the VFW Hall in Ridgecrest.

## Veterans Day observed . . .

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an article written for the Wall Street Journal by Vermont Royster in which the author focused his attention on the Vietnam War and those who fought there.

He senses, Royster wrote, a nationwide change of heart about the men and women who heeded their nation's call to serve in Southeast Asia. "We can see today some first, faint signs that shame has turned to pride (on the part of those who served), while scorn (by those who hid from the war) has turned to shame."

He acknowledged, Royster wrote, that "the country may not have changed its mind

the scales and weren't found wanting," was the way it was expressed.

The writer brought out in his article that during the years of the Vietnam conflict, 53 million young Americans came of age, of which some 9 million served in the Armed Forces. Of this number, about 3 million actually went to Indochina.

Royster concluded: "The day will come, I no longer have any doubt, when those few who were there (in Vietnam) those years ago will gather with their wives and walking canes, as old soldiers have always done, to talk of how it was."

"When that day comes, all others will be excluded from that band of brothers."

The Veterans Day program began with advancing of the colors by a color guard composed of Boy Scouts, Explorers and Sea Cadets. Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, the invocation was given by Fred Shaughnessey, a past commander of John M. Armitage Post 684, American Legion.

Vocal music selections included "America the Beautiful" and "This Is My Country," sung by a male barbershop harmony chorus, led by Clay Panlaqui.

George Beatty directed a firing squad composed of members of local veterans' organizations in a salute to this nation's war dead, and Lt. Dave Feldman was the Navy bugler who played "Taps."



**Col. John L. Tyler, USMC**  
Guest Speaker

about that fruitless war. What is changing is its view of those who were there and those who weren't."

The Wall Street Journal article also told how one man's jubilation over having flunked the medical examination that would have meant military service and a possible tour of duty in Vietnam, has since turned to regret. "Those who served were weighed in



**Lt. Dave Feldman**

## Rocketeer deadline moved up because of Thanksgiving holiday

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday next Thursday, Nov. 24, the deadline for the next issue of the Rocketeer, which is to be published on Friday, Nov. 25, is being moved up a day.

Those with news items they wish published in the Nov. 25 Rocketeer must turn them in no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 21.

Anything that is available earlier, and can be brought or phoned to the newspaper office prior to the deadline, will assist the staff in getting next week's newspaper out on time in spite of the abbreviated work schedule.

## Emergency services gp. to hear talk by pilot of SAR helo

LCdr. Buz Massengale, the Center's senior Search and Rescue helicopter pilot, will be the featured speaker at an open meeting of the Indian Wells Valley Emergency Services Volunteer Council tomorrow at 10 a.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, 571 N. Norma St. in Ridgecrest.

The general public is invited to attend, as well as members of all the organizations, both governmental and private, that are members of the emergency services group.

LCdr. Massengale will discuss helicopter safety and what the people on the ground need to know (and do) before the helicopter can drop down. SAR operations also will be discussed.



# Planning for possible disaster is ongoing operation at NWC

Although all personnel involved hope that they will never be called upon to demonstrate their special skills and the extent of training and planning, preparation for possible disaster is an ongoing operation on the Center.

Dick Johnson, head of the Safety and Security Department, serves as the Center's Disaster Preparedness Officer. He is being ably assisted by a team of personnel on board whose functions are specifically assigned by the Center's disaster preparedness plan. Bill Davis, who recently retired from full-time work, has been serving as a consultant on disaster preparedness to the group.

The advantage of the Center's plan (which has been called a model for other Navy establishments in California) is that most of the operations required in a disaster are extensions of the day-to-day work of the functional leaders.

For instance, those parts of the disaster operation dealing with Public Affairs fall under the Center's Public Affairs Office; logistics fall under the Director of Supply; and fire and police functions are extensions of the work of those groups.

Disaster preparations cover a wide range of potential emergencies from earthquakes to floods, fires, hazardous waste spills or major vehicle or aircraft accidents involving a number of people.

Action items now underway include recruitment of a disaster preparedness specialist who will be able to devote fulltime to coordination and planning. Detailed plans for each of the functional leaders to use are also under consideration, and so is the development of emergency plans for each department. The evacuation of large numbers of individuals is difficult; evacuation plans must be carefully made.

Underway is the consolidation of most of the disaster preparedness equipment and emergency materials into one central and safe location. Gathering all the equipment in one spot will make effective use of it during an emergency easier.

And, as always, fostering public awareness of the need for disaster preparedness and public education about what each household can do to help itself in an emergency is essential.

(Center personnel who plan safety

## Cdr. Dyer to speak at dinner meeting of AOC next Tuesday

The November dinner meeting of the Robbers Roost Chapter of the Association of Old Crows (AOC) will be held on Tuesday evening, starting at 6:30, at the Hideaway restaurant in Ridgecrest.

The AOC is a group composed of individuals engaged in the science of electronic warfare.

Guest speaker at Tuesday night's meeting will be Cdr. Joe Dyer, of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five, whose subject will be "Enhancing Characteristics of Japanese Electronics Firms and Government Labs."

Cdr. Dyer's talk is unclassified. Spouses or guests of members are invited to attend both the dinner and the short business meeting scheduled by AOC.

MIKE LAB by Bill Erwin



meetings have a new tool for fostering such awareness: a videotape entitled "Preparing for a Miracle," is available for checkout. This 11-minute tape, introduced by Dr. Glenn Roquemore of the Research Department, deals with the earthquake at Coalinga and possible applications to the Indian Wells Valley. Either copy of the tape can be checked out from the Security Education and Training Office, Code 246, NWC Ext. 2612, for use.)

Since it is the policy of Command that any disaster affecting the Center is also apt to affect the Indian Wells Valley, and, conversely, that any disaster affecting the IWV will also affect the Center, disaster preparedness planning is based on that concept.

Groups contacted in connection with the Center's plans for emergencies include other federal agencies (such as the other military establishments in the high desert, and the Forest Service), state agencies (Office of Emergency Services, California National Guard), counties (Kern, Inyo, Mono), and the City of Ridgecrest.

Agencies such as the Red Cross and Salvation Army are also involved in local disaster plans, as are schools — both public and private — utility companies, markets, and a myriad of other groups and businesses whose services would be called on for an area-wide disaster.

Several drills and disaster exercise have been carried out in recent years. These include two "tabletop" earthquake exercises, a hazardous spill exercise, a simulated "aircraft-vs-bus accident" and the annual hospital drills.

In addition, Center personnel have attended the Mammoth Mountain coordination meetings dealing with the possibility of volcanic action in Mono and Inyo Counties, have investigated what could be learned from the Coalinga quake, and have conducted a public forum at Burroughs High School about disaster preparedness.

Meetings are held with other governmental disaster agencies, and the Center's disaster preparedness group also works very closely with such volunteer organizations as the Red Cross, the search and rescue groups, and the Indian Wells Valley Emergency Services Volunteer Council.

While no community is ever completely prepared for a disaster (an impossibility unless the disaster could be predicted in advance), the Center is far better prepared for an emergency than most organizations. And, given the opportunity, it will be better prepared yet when any sort of emergency strikes.

## Informal Thanksgiving service planned Nov. 23

LCDR Douglas G. Heitschmidt, Protestant chaplain at the All Faith Chapel, has issued an invitation for persons of all faiths to attend an informal Thanksgiving service that will be held 7 p.m. next Wednesday, Nov. 23, at the All Faith Chapel.

This is a family event planned for all ages. Participants will be invited to join in the singing of hymns appropriate for the occasion, and there will be both vocal and instrumental music selections.



## China Lake Police reports . . .

Theft of a vinyl car cover from inside a vehicle left parked in the Bank of America parking lot was reported last Friday morning to China Lake police. Value of the missing item was set at \$70.

**MOTORIST FACES CHARGES**  
A woman motorist, pulled over for erratic driving shortly before noon last Sunday, now faces multiple charges in the East Kern Municipal Court.

China Lake police discovered that the vehicle was not registered and the operator had no driver's license in her possession.

**TREE LIMB FALLS**  
China Lake police were called at 10:30 p.m. on Nov. 10 to 2022 Mitscher Ave. to take a property damage report, after a high winds broke a tree limb that fell onto a private vehicle.

The fallen tree limb, which struck a 1979 Chevrolet pickup truck, caused damage estimated at \$400, including a cracked windshield and dents to the hood and left front fender of the vehicle.

**CANINE PET INJURED**  
Tenants at 306 Sykes Circle called China Lake police on Saturday morning after

discovering that, during their absence, someone had entered the backyard and shot their dog — using either a pellet gun or a BB gun.

The dog suffered minor injuries to its right front paw and to its lip. Police filed this report under the charge of "cruelty to animals," which is a misdemeanor.

**GAS THEFT SUSPECT CAUGHT**  
China Lake police last week picked up an individual suspected of having (over a period of time) siphoned an unknown amount of gasoline from government vehicles parked in the Baker range area.

**CAR PAINT DAMAGED**  
The tenant at 337 Sellars Circle called China Lake police Wednesday night of last week to report damage to the paint of his 1980 Oldsmobile.

As the aftermath of an act of vandalism (an unknown substance was thrown on the parked vehicle), there was paint damage estimated at \$100.

**MONEY STOLEN FROM MACHINE**  
Unknown persons removed \$30.85 in change from a money-changing machine at Armitage Airfield. The theft was reported in midmorning on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

**DRUNK TAKEN INTO CUSTODY**  
On Tuesday, Nov. 8, a person who was intoxicated beyond his own control at Hall Memorial Lanes at about 5 p.m. was arrested, held for 5 hours, and then released with a misdemeanor citation.

**BACK GATE BATTERED**  
The driver of a Dodge Delta motor home raced through the front gate without stopping at about 10:30 p.m. on Nov. 8, drove through the base while being pursued by the police, and exited by the back gate.

Since the back gate was closed at the time, the motor home had trouble doing so, and was finally stopped 366 feet further south on Richmond Road. The driver was held for driving while under the influence.

**MARINE CORPS BALL** — Cutting the birthday cake is a highlight of any birthday celebration, and the Marines' 208th party at the Enlisted Mess was no exception. Col. John Tyler, Marine Corps liaison officer at NWC, wields the ceremonial sword, with Master Sgt. Al Garza helping him and Lance Cpl. Raul Duran, the youngest Marine present, awaiting the first piece of cake. (Lance Cpl. Duran came to China Lake with a group of Marines from Twentynine Palms to serve as color guards for the Marine Ball.) Staff Sgt. Molly McKinney, the oldest ex-Marine present, is not shown; she and Lance Cpl. Duran were served first by longstanding tradition. Brig. Gen. Jay W. Hubbard (at left), who resides in Laguna Niguel, Calif., following his retirement from the Marine Corps, was the inspirational guest speaker for the well-attended occasion. — Photo by PHAN Rebecca Gill

# Centerites have opportunity to complete degree requirements

NWC personnel are able to attend classes for three colleges or universities to work on bachelor's or master's degrees without ever having to leave the Indian Wells Valley, thanks to the external degree programs that Cal State College Bakersfield, Cal State University Chico and Cal State University Northridge have established in conjunction with NWC's own Human Resources Development Division at the Training Center.

Admission, course work, and graduation requirements for students pursuing a degree through the external degree programs at China Lake are exactly the same as those for an individual in the same program on campus. The degree earned is also identical. The big difference, of course, is that NWC personnel don't have to drive long distances to attend class.

**VARIETY OF PROGRAMS**

Cal State College Bakersfield offers a bachelor's program in business administration as well as a master's program in public administration. Cal State Chico offers both a bachelor's and a master's degree in computer science. Bachelor's candidates may select one of three options: a mathematics/science option, a systems option, and, starting in January, a computer engineering option.

Cal State Northridge offers a master's program in engineering, with the emphasis

being on electrical or mechanical.

Any NWC personnel who might be interested in enrolling for the external degree programs for January classes are invited to discuss the program with either Peggy Ames or Dr. Steve Lee, who can be contacted by calling NWC ext. 2468.

Advisors from each of the schools offering external degree programs will also be available in early December to counsel with students or prospective students.

Drs. Jim Vigen and Roy Dull from Cal State Bakersfield will be on board on Thursday, Dec. 8. Dr. J. C. Prabhakar from Cal State Northridge will be here on Tuesday, Dec. 6, and Dr. Orlando Madrigal from Chico State University will be at China Lake on Friday, Dec. 2.

Appointments to see any of the advisors can be made by telephoning Kit Driscoll at NWC ext. 2648.

## DUI conviction on board Center costs driving privileges

The Naval Weapons Center, while U.S. Government property, enforces the California Vehicle Code (CVC), by authority of OPNAVINST 11200.5B, Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision, and NAVWPNCENINST 5560.2C, Traffic Enforcement Policy.

Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs (DUI) is a direct violation of Section 23152 CVC. DUI citations are referred to both the appropriate civil court and Naval Weapons Center Traffic Court.

It is Center policy that when the NWC Traffic Court Clerk's Office (Code 24322) receives notification of a DUI violation, a letter is sent to the responsible individual automatically revoking his/her driving privileges for a period of six months. This revocation shall remain in effect until disposition of the case is received by Code 24322 from the civil courts.

If a disposition of not guilty is received, a letter restoring all Center driving privileges is sent to the individual. If a disposition of guilty is received, the person's period of revocation is extended to one full year.

Application of reinstatement of driving privileges may be made upon completion of the revocation period. Reinstatement is also conditional upon successful completion of an Alcohol Awareness and Remedial Driving Class.

Civilians are instructed by the East Kern Municipal Court to attend the Alcohol Awareness and Remedial Driving Program in Ridgecrest, administered by Janet Hughes. Military personnel are recommended to take the on-center program, administered by Esther O'Neill-Harden, Counseling and Assistance Center (Code 2103).



**PLANNING** — Gerry Schiefer, Deputy Technical Director, and Dr. Ed Royce, head of the Research Department, discuss new computer applications for the Center. Dr. Royce chairs the Automatic Data Processing Executive Council that serves as an advisory council to Schiefer regarding ADP matters. — Photo by PHAN Rebecca Gill

## ADP Executive Council members serve in vital capacity at NWC

Members of the Automatic Data Processing (ADP) Executive Council bring a wealth of experience to their tasks of serving as an advisory body to Gerry Schiefer, the Deputy Technical Director.

He serves as the primary senior official on the Center in the area of computing, and the ADP Executive Council recommends Center policy on all ADP matters.

The group, which was formed a little more than a year and a half ago, is chaired by Dr. Ed Royce, head of the Research Department. Executive Secretary is Bruce Werthenberger, ADP Resources Manager, and Lou Geigerich, Director of Computing Applications, is an ex officio member.

Council members were selected for their individual backgrounds and expertise, rather than serving because of the position that they currently hold.

Current members include Jim Bowen, Deputy Support Director; Capt. Gerry Lee, Director of Supply; Bill Porter, T&E Director; Dillard Bullard, head of the Weapons Department; Paul Homer, head of the Electronic Warfare Department; Dr. Ed Kutchna, head of the Aircraft Weapons Integration Department; Dave Rugg, from the Technical Data Division of the Engineering Department; Dick Boyd, head of the Range Department; Dr. Dick Kistler, head of the Office of Finance and Management; and Charles May, head of the Systems Acquisition Office.

The group meets monthly, but also holds special meetings when required.

"What is very unusual about this group," says Dr. Royce, "is that the members have always thought and acted in the best interest of NWC as a whole rather than lobbying for their own special interests."

The Council is reviewing procedures and guidelines for development of ADP intensive projects that are sponsored weapons-related projects as well as NWC-sponsored administrative projects.

Members established the guidelines used to monitor the Supply Department's OASIS, as well as the Capital Equipment Resource Management System of the Support Directorate.

In addition to directing the review of ongoing Center-sponsored ADP projects, the

## Health plan field rep. to visit China Lake Tues.

A representative of the Foundation for Medical Care Plan, a comprehensive health benefit plan available to NWC employees, has scheduled several short presentations for the benefit of all interested persons.

The briefings are scheduled on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the conference room of the Personnel Building, 505 Blandy Ave.

Mrs. Marguerite Paige will be available to answer questions. No appointments are necessary.

Council also is setting up procedures for continual review of all ADP matters.

When the Council was organized, its first task was to aid in planning the Center's policies for computing. Members reviewed and agreed on the tasks given to the task teams that studied policies; reviewed and agreed on the basic assumptions that went into the planning of the studies; reviewed the findings of the task teams; and are lending encouragement to the continuation of the work of those task teams.

The Council also has reviewed the Center's ADP budgets that are funded from overhead money, and will continue to do so.

## Open season for health benefit programs continues to Dec. 9

Open season for the Federal Employees' Health Benefits Program began this past Monday and will continue through Friday, Dec. 9.

Employees who do not want to make any change in their enrollment need take no action during this time. However, any eligible employee who is not currently registered may enroll and enrolled employees may change from one plan or option to another, or from self-only to self and family, or a combination of both.

This year each employee on Center will receive 1984 Enrollment Information and Plan Benefit Summaries along with 1984 rate sheets. Brochures for the individual plans will be available for viewing in Room 213 of the Personnel Building. Those in-

terested in doing so should contact Cheri R. Neil by calling NWC ext. 2018 or 2592.

Employees who want to enroll or make some other permissible change in coverage should go to Room 100 in the Personnel Building. New enrollments and changes in current enrollments made during the open season will become effective on Jan. 8, 1984.

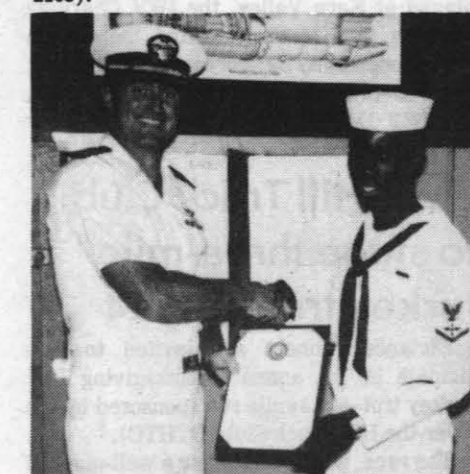
Employees are urged to make any desired change in the Federal Employees' Health Benefits Program as soon as they have the information literature they need. Information materials will be distributed as soon as they are received.

A list of the plans that Naval Weapons Center employees are eligible to join, and the rates per pay period for 1984, follows:

## Employees may select from 15 plans

| PLAN   | OPTION    |             |          |            |
|--|-----------|-------------|----------|------------|
|  | High Self | High Family | Low Self | Low Family |
| Blue Cross/Blue Shield                           | \$30.05   | \$65.06     | \$ 7.19  | \$17.15    |
| Aetna  | \$32.05   | \$50.31     | \$ 7.35  | \$15.64    |
| American Federation of Gov't Employees           | \$16.82   | \$34.59     |          |            |
| Alliance Health Benefit Plan                     | \$ 8.66   | \$33.28     |          |            |
| American Postal Workers Union                    | \$22.56   | \$46.41     |          |            |
| Gov't Employees Hospital Ass'n                   | \$10.27   | \$18.96     |          |            |
| Mail Handlers Benefit Plan                       | \$ 6.18   | \$19.82     | \$ 6.26  | \$14.82    |
| Nat'l Ass'n of Gov't Employees                   | \$21.18   | \$53.45     |          |            |
| Nat'l Ass'n of Letter Carriers                   | \$24.48   | \$45.78     |          |            |
| Nat'l Federation of Fed'l Employees              | \$15.94   | \$38.56     |          |            |
| Nat'l Treasury Employees Union                   | \$20.10   | \$45.97     |          |            |
| Postmasters Benefit Plan                         | \$29.69   | \$62.74     | \$ 3.90  | \$ 9.45    |
| Kaiser, Southern California**                    | \$11.11   | \$35.73     |          |            |
| Postal Supervisors Health Benefit Plan           | \$18.90   | \$28.03     |          |            |
| Nat'l Hospital Ass'n Foundation for Medical Care | \$28.19   | \$68.36     |          |            |

\*\* This information is furnished for those NWC employees currently enrolled in the Kaiser Plan.



**YOUNG SAILOR REENLISTS** — LCDR. J. D. Tankersley, head of the Aircraft Support Division in the NWC Aircraft Department, congratulates AD3 Collin Waterton on his decision to ship over for another four years in the Navy. LCDR. Tankersley officiated at the reenlistment ceremony for AD3 Waterton, who is assigned to the Power Plants Shop in the Aircraft Branch of the division headed by LCDR. Tankersley.