Desert Empire Fair runs through Sunday night

Empire Fair's five-day run at the fairgrounds in Ridgecrest. Gates open at 5 p.m. tonight and close at midnight. Tomorrow (Saturday) and Sunday, fair goers can enjoy all the fun of a fair starting at 8 a.m. On Saturday the fair closes at midnight and Sunday, the 1985 Desert Empire Fair will go into the history books at the end of the annual Demolition Derby.

Scheduled tonight are sheep shearing and



The Enlisted Mess invites its members and guests to an evening of dining with lobster dinner being the special. Dinner is served from 6 - 9 p.m. Saturday, the dining room is closed, but the main lounge is open for grill service only.

The EM also invites its members and guests to Wednesday night discos featuring "Upstage" (Top 40) by Steve Malan. Admission is \$1 per person with an Attitude Adjustment Hour beginning at 4:30 p.m. Complimentary snacks are available.

Due to the holiday Monday, October 14, the following businesses will be closed: The Commissioned Officers' Mess; the Chief Petty Officers' Mess and the Enlisted Mess. The ESB Barber Shop will also be closed on

Today marks the third day of the Desert chug-a-lug contest, the Steve McQueen Memorial Stunt show and a variety of live

> Also, exhibit buildings will be open and the midway will be in full swing with rides,

Large and small rides are featured at any fair and the Desert Empire event is no different. This is a back-to-basics fair according to Earl Powers, fair manager, with the assortment of amusement rides and

their games of skill.

Agriculture is growing in importance in the valley and at the fair. Several 4-H Clubs are expected to participate this year and there will be animal judging for the first time in the history of the fair. This year it will be sheep, poultry and rabbits. Swine and beef classes are in line for the 1986 fair if all goes as anticipated.

Also planned is a 4x4 truck pull tonight. a 4-H horse show tomorrow, an open horse

and a pie-eating contest for youngsters. And, tomorrow at 10 a.m., the Desert

Empire Fair Parade steps off down China Lake Blvd., headed for the Kern Desert Parking at the fair is free of charge and

is supervised by Ridgecrest Police Explor-

Admission charges are \$1 for youngsters 7 to 17 years of age and \$2 for adults. Children six years old and younger will be

This is the 35th Annual Desert Empire Fair and is pegged as the best yet by fair

Freelance writers get selling tips in college class

Aspiring freelance writers can get useful tips on "How to Sell What You Write" in a short Cerro Coso College course taught by Linda Crosby.

The class begins on Oct. 17 and runs each Thursday evening from 6:30 to 9:30 through Nov. 21. It will cover both fiction and non-

Potential students can register at the college. Mondays through Fridays registration will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. On Fridays registration will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4:30 p.m.



"THE MESSIAH"-Singers from throughout the community were at the All Faith Chapel on Sunday to try out for roles in the Christmas portion of Handel's "The Messiah." The oratorio will be performed on Dec. 8 and 9, following four rehersals.

Agency links seniors with assistance

"We consider ourselves a linking agency to connect seniors with any other service they might need," says Lou Burrows, spokesperson for the East Kern County Senior Information and Referral Service (I

While there are quite a few seniors who utilize the I & R, "There are an awful lot of seniors who don't know about the programs available to them," continues Mrs.

Programs available to seniors include the county-wide discount programs, with over 100 merchants in Ridgecrest alone participating. Many times seniors become aware of programs for which they are available only after they come in to pick up discount cards, says Mrs. Burrows.

Seniors may obtain assistance with filling out forms of almost every type such as medical, health, simple tax forms, and whatever else they might need help with.

County-wide services have become a part of the normal routine in areas outside Bakersfield. An example of this is the Law Days where legal advice is offered at no cost to seniors. Lawyers offer services free of charge to provide information to those with legal questions.

In addition, I & R tells people how they may qualify for benefits and whom to contact for appropriate applications for pro-

In the outlying areas, volunteers are utilized to provide information and referral on a regular basis.

On a monthly basis, Mrs. Burrows travels to each senior site in the towns serviced and gives presentations and answers

willing to go into homes of those who are homebound, and will contact agencies on behalf of seniors.

"Our information is for and about seniors," stresses Mrs. Burrows. The agency is more than willing to talk to nonseniors with concerns and questions regar-

"We have contact with about 1,500

some of the seniors utilize the programs quite often.

> I & R is able to operate out of its office on 231 Station St. due to aid from the United Way, which has paid the rent for I & R for the past five years.

> For more information contact Mrs. Bur-

This sale will last until October 13.

The NEX will be having a Navy's 210

Birthday Sale October 12-19. Included in the

sale items is a 20 percent discount on

various men's accessories and apparel. In-

cluded in this Birthday sale is a ONE DAY

ONLY, October 14, Columbus Day Sale.

Items vary from jewelry and clothing to

NEX news

A Pre-Holiday Sale, already in progress, which features Lenox China and Crystal can save Navy Exchange shoppers up to 30 percent on items. This sale will conclude

Also already in progress is the Fisher-Price Toy Sale. Sales include toys for various ages including small toddler toys.

ITT office moves to new home on Oct. 16

The Information, Ticket and Tour (ITT) Office will be closed Tuesday, October 15 for relocation to the China Lake Players Building (Bldg. 33) on the corner of Lauritsen and Blandy. Regular business will resume on Wednesday, October 16, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Phone numbers will re-

Ski Club sets party Oct. 17

membership party at John's Pizza, October 17th at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in learning more about the China Lake Ski Club is wel-

The club will provide free beverages for a limited time and show a ski film. There will also be a short slide presentation showing the cabin at Mammoth and some of the an-

Retired employee roster nears publication

tory listing the names and addresses of former Naval Weapons Center employees who are retired but have continued to live in the Indian Wells Valley, or within a radius of 100 miles of the local area.

Purpose of the directory is to enable its recipients - all those who participate by sending in their names and addresses - to re nain in contact with their former as ociates and friends who once worked at

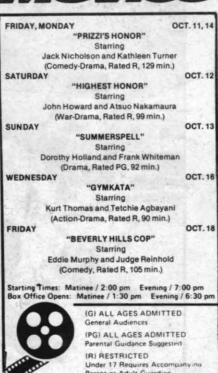
teers has compiled information on more on the postcard should be the individual's than 260 ex-employees of the Naval name, address, telephone number, and Weapons Center who are now retired and number of years worked at NWC. living within the Indian Wells Valley and its

Others who still wish to be included in the responded to the inquiry for information, Yockey, 222 N. Peg St. still have time to do so by sending a postcard no later than Friday, Oct. 18, to any of the following Ridgecrest residents

Publication time is nearing for a direc- At the present time, a handful of volun- who are working on the directory. Included

Send postcards to: W. E. Davis, 235 Apache Lane; John DiPol, 836 W. Howell St.; Bob McKenzie, 620 Sylvia St.; Jean NWC retirees' directory, but haven't yet Rollington, 131 Silver Ridge Dr.; or Don

> Postcards also can be sent to Louise Mitchell, PO Box 2076, Inyokern, 93527.





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Obstacle race highlights Navy birthday party



Navy Birthday Celebration at the Naval Hornet and a Cobra helicopter from Air Weapons Center (NWC) will be the First Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5). Great China Lake/Ridgecrest Obstacle Race at 1:30 p.m. Teams representing Naval Weapons Center management, City of Ridgecrest management, China Lake Contractors and the Ridgecrest Chamber of as will some area contractors. In addition, Commerce Military Affairs Committee will the Vintage Military Vehicle Club will have vie for the championship in a series of challenging tricycle obstacle course races.

The NWC team includes Capt. K. A. Dickerson, Burrell Hays, Capt. Paul D. Stephenson and Bill Porter. Representing the City of Ridgecrest will be City Council members Flo Condos, Tom Wicknich, Mike Mower and Jim Pearson.

Other entertainment planned for the afternoon includes a free concert from the Burroughs High School Band in Front of Naval Weapons Center Headquarters Building and the dunk tank where visitors can have a chance to get someone very wet.

The NWC Recreational Services Department is sponsoring mud volleyball competition and mighty tug-of-war contests starting at 2:30 p.m. on the north side of the Headquarters Building.

Aircraft used at the Naval Weapons Center will be displayed in the Michelson Laboratory Parking lot. Included in the display will be an A-7E Corsair II, A-6E In-

NWC personnel will be on hand with each aircraft to answer questions.

Many NWC departments will also have displays around the parking lot perimeter some of their vehicles on static display.

Visitors will be able to take self-guided tours throughout Michelson Laboratory and the new, 60,000-square-foot engineering

Inside Michelson Laboratory guests will see displays from NWC departments, films about the center, including one on the 'Flood of 1984" and demonstrations of technology as used at the Naval Weapons

The tour stops will include the Central Computer Area where Central Staff Department personnel will be on hand to answer questions and the Photographic Wing of Michelson Laboratory where visitors can see examples of photography used in test analysis at NWC.

In the new engineering building, just completed earlier this year, the tour will be highlighted by demonstrations of the Engineering Department's Interactive Graphics capabilities. Interactive Graphics

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VLA motor development brings TD Award

Howard Payne and George Sieg the

Technical Director's Award. When Burrell Hays made the presentation at a recent Commander's meeting, he outstanding because what had been planned as an orderly advanced development project turned into a full scale development noted that the quality of their data package made follow-on work possible.

Platzek became task team leader for the

Their outstanding contribution to the VLA rocket motor EX 114 Mod O developsuccess of Vertical Launch ASROC (VLA) ment in fiscal year 1982. His organizational, motor development earned Harold Platzek, managerial and technical abilities enabled the completion of the rocket motor design and development in only two years.

During that time, 28 motors were manufactured at NWC, 21 static fired, and noted that their achievement was truly three were provided in support of developmental flight tests. NWC then delivered an authenticated level 2 documentation package to the production project half way through the project. Hays engineering contractor that included specifications and procedures.

Payne was the principal mechanical engineer for the rocket motor design,

thermal, producibility, materials and performance aspects of solid propulsion design proved essential to the successful development of the VLA rocket motor.

His close interaction with NWC shops ensured successful development flight tests in July and September 1984. Payne was primarily concerned with the mechanical aspects of the motor in addition to his quality assurance work with the machine shop.

Sieg was the principal propellant and processing engineer. He was tasked to develop a propellant liner system to meet the ballistics, physical properties and pro-

cessability requirements for the rocket

He developed the rocket motor processing plans and schedules, directed design and manufacture of a complex system of processing tooling, and supervised the processing of seven lots of rocket motors (28 units) and assembly of 25 of these units. Sieg was also praised for his meticulous atention to the documentation of design and processing and assembly procedures that assured the quality and produciblility of the VLA rocket motor.

All three men are long-term China Lake personnel. Platzek, an aerospace engineer in the Systems Technology Branch of the Ordnance Systems Department, has been a Center employee since 1956. Payne, another aerospace engineer, who works in the Solid Propulsion Branch of Code 32, has been on board since 1965, and Sieg, a chemical engineer in the Propellants Branch of the same department, since 1967.

Cdr. Erickson honored at ceremony

At a quarters ceremony held last Friday morning at Hangar 3, Cdr. Richard O. Erickson, head of the Aircraft Support Division, was the surprised recipient of a Commander's Award presented by Capt. K.

The Skipper noted that this award, the highest which he is able to present, was appropriately given to Cdr. Erickson because of both the substantial increase in the number of flight hours of RDT&E aircraft at the Center and the increased availability of these aircraft. In addition, increased morale is evident within the personnel serving in his operation.

During 1984, Capt. Dickerson reported. NWC aircraft flew 5,567 hours in support of

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HARD WORK PAYS OFF - Burrell Hays and John Technical Director's Award. Left to right, the men are program, join with the three latest recipients of the receiving this honor.

Robbins (far r.) who heads the Vertical Launch ASROC Harold Platzek, George Sieg, and Howard Payne, after



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Dr. Vanderah joins Center through job exchange

Programs leading to a win-win situation are rare, but such a program is available to Naval Weapons Center managers and supervisors: The Intergovernmental Personnel Act (IPA) Mobility Program.

The provisions of this act, which permits exchanges of personnel between Federal agencies and laboratories on one hand and institutions of higher education on the other for the mutual benefit of both, has brought Dr. Dave Vanderah to the Chemistry Division of the Center's Research Department for this academic year.

Dr. Vanderah teaches chemistry at Chatham College, a small liberal arts college at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He spent both the summer of 1982 and of 1984 at NWC under the auspices of an Office of Naval Research program for the American Society for Engineering Education.

"I was incredibly impressed with the people here and fell in love with the type of projects," he says. "When I planned to apply for a sabbatical from Chatham College, it seemed only logical that I apply here."

Dr. Ron Atkins, who heads the Chemistry Division, said that he had long sought a program like the IPA, but had not known of any. When George Linsteadt, head of the Center's Industrial and Governmental Liaison Office, told him about it, Dr. Atkins noted that "it seemed ideal for our needs."

He adds that "It was especially easy for me, because George Linsteadt and Mary Finders carried through the necessary paperwork, so all I had to do was to get Dave to agree to spend this year here."

Under the terms of IPA personnel exchanges, the Center reimburses the college or university for the salary and benefits of the faculty member and pays for that person's travel to and from China Lake for the specified length of stay. Although the visiting faculty member is treated as a

government employee from the standpoint of being able to go on travel, to get a security clearance if needed, and to become part of project work, that person is not charged against NWC billets nor do normal billing for overhead charges apply.

Dr. Atkins points out that students at the colleges and universities involved in such a program also benefit because faculty members become aware of the kind of research in which the government is interested. "By knowing applied aspects of their studies, they become more aware of job opportunities," he adds.

Dr. Vanderah is involved with the synthesis of energetic materials. He's enthusiastic about the opportunity that he's had to work at NWC with the seven Center chemists in that field.

"Since there are only about 50 chemists in the whole country involved in such synthesis, this is a remarkable opportunity for me," he says. "I hope that I'll be able to make this a two-way benefit by publishing

Such an expectation is highly realistic because he co-authored two papers published in the Journal of Organic Chemistry out of his first summer's work here. He adds that "I think three or four papers will follow from this year's research that I'm doing with the NWC research team."

Although spending a lot of hours in the Chemistry wing of Michelson Laboratory, Dr. Vanderah is also taking advantage of the outdoor activities available in "this beautiful, sunny, warm area, which is a lot different than Pittsburgh," in his words. He's enjoyed climbing in the Sierra Nevada mountains along with other outdoor activi-

"There are so many beautiful areas close to here," Dr. Vanderah notes. "It's really a

Claims Office in QA Division, Warehouse 24

Integrity, efficiency program

Call: NWC ext. 3636 (24 hrs.)

The Naval Weapons Center Claims Office is now located in the Quality Assurance Division Office (Code 253) in Building 1033 (Warehouse 24). The claims investigating officer is Cathy Chipp. The types of claims to be submitted to this office are as follows:

Household goods: For damaged or missing items incurred while in transit or in storage during a PCS move. This pertains to both military and civilian personnel moving on either a Government Bill of Lading (GBL) or by the commuted rate

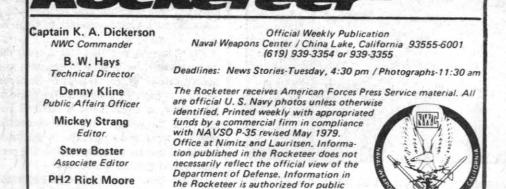
Personal property: For personal property damaged or stolen while on Center or on official travel.

Housing claims: For damage to personal property in Center housing (e.g. broken water pipe floods house and ruins carpeting.)

If there is any doubt as to what type of claim to file or with whom to file, please contact the Claims Investigating Officer at NWC ext. 3488.

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CENTER WINS - Dr. Dave Vanderah jas joined the Research Department's Chemistry Division for the academic year in a win-win situation that brought the Chatham College professor to the Naval Weapons Center under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act Mobility Program.

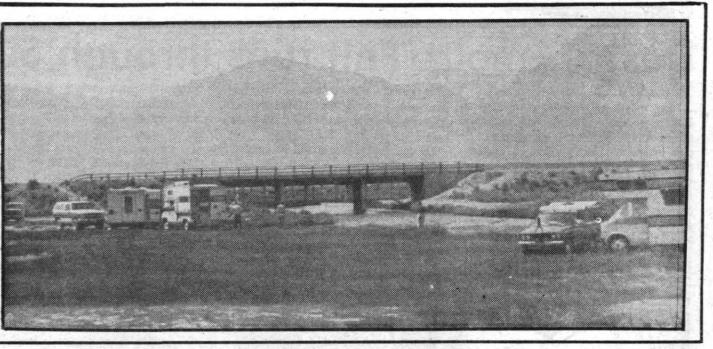
Cheap scrap wood available

Users of scrap wood can take advantage excluding holidays. of a tremendous bargain offered by the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office at NWC (at Warehouse 41). Broken pallets. skids, crates and other items that could make great kindling are for sale at \$2 per 10 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on weekdays 2538.

Those planning to purchase wood are asked to bring proper safety equipment such as gloves and goggles.

Further information can be obtained by truckload. These will be sold between 8 and , telephoning the DRMO at NWC ext. 2502 or

FISHING HOLE - One of the most popular fishing areas on the Owens River is at the Benton Crossing Bridge. Any weekend during trout season visitors can find motorhomes, campers and tents by the dozens parked at the unofficial campground along the river. Anglers can work the pools and eddies long the upper Owens or follow it to where the river flows into Crowley Lake. Normal limits apply to the river all year, while Crowley now has an 18-inch minimum, two trout limit for the rest of the 1985 general trout



Youngsters keep busy with Youth Soccer play...

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goalies Hayden Wilson and Richard Christenson that preserved the win. Blizzard coaches felt the squad played a good game despite the loss to a strong Sting

Earthquake 4, Aztec 1

The Aztecs were simply outgunned and outshot. Chris Benson, Hugo Montes, Paul LeBlanc and Chad Killinger were team leaders. Tom Foisy ripped the opposition for three goals and Joe Tuipala notched the other for the winners. Mike Frederick's

HARD KICK - Youngsters in the NWC Recreation Services Youth

Soccer Program are three weeks into their fall season. The kids can be

found Saturday mornings at Knox Fields and Davidove Field doing their

best to have fun and maybe even win the game. — Photo by PH2 Rick

allows the designer's creativity to interact clude Indian Wells Valley Search and with displays on computer terminals and Rescue Team, Sister City Association, In-

allows engineers to design or change dian Wells Valley TV Boosters and Air Test

designs of weapons system components in a and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5). No fraction of the time needed with drawing food or drink will be allowed inside

and drink to visitors in front of the NWC Pride and Professionalism in the U.S. Navy

haven't done very well so far this season Sierra haven't had much success - a

due to the hot and dry conditions. Winter shortage of bears in that region being the

storms in the high country may improve main reason. There are a lot of bear in the

The D-17 area (east of Highway 395 and slopes. Bear season there opens this

Storm may improve hunting

Headquarters Building. These groups in- will conclude at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 19.

Michelson Laboratory.

The birthday celebration of 210 Years of

Bear hunters on the eastern side of the

southern Sierra and on towards the western

Birthday party...

Community organizations will sell food

Deer hunters in the Scodies and Paiutes

south of Highway 168) opens this weekend. weekend.

board methods.

play in goal helped preserve the easy win. DIVISION THREE Tornadoes 3, Surfs 3

Ted Mechtenburg scored two of the three Tornadoes' goals and assisted on the other, a shot by Davey Lawrence for a 3-3 tie contest. It was a fast-paced game as Chris Marshall scored twice and Scott Becker once for the Surfs. The Surfs saw a 3-1 edge vanish in the second half.

Rogues 5, Sounders 1

Behind a two goal performance by Mike Graves and solo goals by Larry Flores,

Philip Johnson and Jamie Scholl the solid performances from Chris Maloney, Rogues were easy winners. Becky Wilkins and Steve Lundwall keyed the defense. Strong teamwork gave the Sounders a good performance at both ends. Mike Kinne, Jeff Bradley, Brian Giesen and Loren Letsche played good games.

Diplomats 1, Roughnecks 0

Despite playing shorthanded, the Diplomats held off the Roughnecks. Mike Strathdee scored the only goal with a last keyed the defense. The Roughnecks got Thomas Watt, Matt Frazier and Charles Eberhart in defeat

Whitecaps 3, Kicks 2

The final outcome was in doubt right to the final whistle. The Whitecaps were led by Michael Sieg's scoring and the overall play of Carter Jones, Jeremy Slater and Danny Moldenhauer. Jason Rainwater and Alex Valdivia scored for the Kicks while Natalie Noel, Nathan Walters, Erik Martin quarter shot. Brad Bays and Andy Scott and Nathan Nickell were credited for good

Trout season nears end for Eastern Sierra area

Mono County and most lakes and streams in Inyo County.

Weather has turned nasty in mid-October in the high country. As of Wednesday morning chains were required to get to Mammoth Lakes and more than five inches of snow had been reported at Lake Sabrina west of Bishop.

The latest fishing reports indicated good fishing for larger than usual planted rainbows at Sabrina. Baits worked good most of the day and the bubble-fly combination was hot for evening fishing at both Sabrina and

North Lake was giving up good numbers of small browns and brookies to anglers using a bubble-fly combo

At Rock Creek Lake it was the marshmallow-salmon egg combination that produced best results. Rainbow trout were also being taken on nightcrawlers. Rock Creek was fair to good with eggs and worms, especially the Mosquito Flat area

browns to anglers using barbless hook flies on the backside of the lake Shore fishing only is allowed at this time. Convict Lake fishing was reported as only fair.

Lakes Mary and George in the Mammoth area were good for pan-sized rainbows with flies producing the best results in mornings and evenings. Twin Lake was giving up good size browns on flies.

Trout season is nearing the end for 1985 in
In the June Lake Loop, worms and eggs the Eastern Sierra Region including all of worked best on Silver Lake and Ruth Creek while marshmallows for shore anglers were best on June and Gull Lakes.

> In the Bridgeport Area, Twin Lakes were yielding browns up to seven pounds with Rapala lures working well for trollers.

> Fall colors have peaked in the mountain canyons and won't last long with the storm

Basketball loop sought at NWC

Wednesday, Oct. 23 has been set as the date for a meeting of anyone interested in playing in an Intramural Basketball League at China Lake. The meetings will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the NWC Gym.

The league will be open to all eligible personnel. Games will be scheduled after normal working hours.

Hideaway team Crowley Lake is still yielding good sized grabs the lead

With a 51-29 record, the Hideaway bowling team moved into the lead of Premie Bowling League standings. Last week's leader, Buggy Bath, fell to fourth place while Modern Trophy moved into second with a 481/2-311/2 record.

Modern Trophy bowlers took team honors this week with a 754 team game and a 2,192

Parking restrictions planned

Parking will not be permitted in the main Michelson Laboratory parking lot after 6 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18 as the Naval Weapons Center prepares for the next day's Navy Birthday Celebration that includes static displays of aircraft in the main

NWC employees are reminded that parking spaces will be at a premiun on Oct. 18 and are urged to share rides where possible to

Employees leaving on travel should make arrangements to park their vehicle somewhere other than the main parking lot.

The Michelson Laboratory parking will return to normal on Monday, Oct. 21.



Youth Soccer League offers fun for youngsters

Youth Soccer teams were back in action on and setting up the other with crisp passes. goal while Brian Beecroft was credited Saturday. The 28 teams in the loop will Dennis Sarrett keyed the defense. For the with a strong performance in the loss. continue play through Nov. 23.

DIVISION ONE Coyotes 3, Cobras 0

Reed Christensen scored all three goals as the Coyotes rolled past the Cobras. Defense by Walt Girardot and Aaron Booth helped the winners. Ronald Green and Scott Matthews were credited for strong play by

Fury 3, Rowdies 2

Two goals by Larry Cordell paced the Fury offense in the win against the Rowdies. Tracy Thornberry had the strong offensive performance in the win. The Rowdies' Mike Hobson and Jeff Janson played tough games in the narrow defeat.

Apollos 6, Chiefs 0

Easily blowing by the Chiefs, the Apollos used two goals each from Louis Moore, Glen Baker and Jon Mickelen in the 6-0 win. Neil Covington's offensive play sparked the Chiefs while Jesse Owen was their leading defensive player.

Roadrunners 1, Owls 1

Mike Ross notched the only goal of the game for the Roadrunners while goalies Frank Gamble and Daniel Francis made five saves. The Owls game back to tie the game on Ian Lellis' second half goal. Scott Johnson and Bryan Kash were key defend-

Eagles 5, Express 0

A strong Eagles attack got goals from Chris Kajiwara, Seth McDonald, and Kris Fisher for a 5-0 easy win. The Express, blanked in the loss, got strong games from Chris Patten and Jason Lint.

DIVISION TWO Timber 3, Strikers 1

Andy Lopez, Brian Hire and Todd Redmond accounted for all Timber scoring as they nipped the Strikers. Chris Thornberry and John Hutmacher turned in top defensive efforts.

The Drillers tied the score on a free kick by Tory Flores while getting strong play out of Issac Curran and Miranda Varney. The Sockers got their lone goal on a good play by Andrew Gradowski. Coaches credited the defensive work of Mark Castillo, Ryan Lilly and Miles Ross for the

Sting 4, Blizzard 0 Goals by Wesley Mouw and Mike Ogren keyed the victory, but it was the play of



Garrett Katzenstien was the key offen- Department program for kids in grades 1-6, stresses Nov. 23.

LITTLE ONES — Few kids are too young to learn and team play and having a good time while learning socenjoy youth soccer at NWC. The Recreational Services cer fundamentals. Their season continues through

Scorpions rally to maintain share of first spot

frustration, the Scorpions Under-19 Soccer Mustangs scored on a breakaway goal by Club rallied to force a tie with the Victor- Darrell Jones, the Victorville ace who has ville Mustangs, 1-1 on Saturday.

Youth Soccer League. Except for winless portunities in the first half. ville against the Scorps last Saturday.

trained with the U.S. National Youth Team.

The Scorps, hampered by injuries to Home cooking, say Scorpion coaches, is some players, and by impact of the flu on the key to winning in the Inland Empire others, just couldn't cash in on scoring op-

Yucaipa, no league team has lost at home This was a mid-season battle by front in the first six games. Only two have had to runners in the league. It took a strong late settle for a tie, one of them being Victor- rally to gain the tie. Doug Dragovich hammered the ball off the hands of the Vic-

Overcoming nearly 80 minutes of At 35 minutes of the first half, the torville goalie for the goal that kept the Bernardino's Cosmos team as IEYSL play Scorpions in a first place tie with Victorville and Rialto's Blast. The Scorps, however, just allowed just 3 goals compared to 14 this season by the Mustangs and leaders.

> It took a sensational save by Jason Cherry in goal to preserve the tie as Jones tried to make it two goals in one game.

The Scorpions Under-19 team is idle this

Next Saturday the Scorpions will host San

resumes for the Ridgecrest squad and on Sunday, Oct. 20 the Scorps visit a rugged Rialto squad for a key contest between

Team	W	L
Scorpions	3	1
Mustangs	3	2
Blast	3	2
United	3	1
Cosmos	2	2
Aztecs	0	6

Steve Zissos cops title to become links champ

With a two-stroke edge over the defending champion, Steve Zissos became the by Curt Bryan's 141. Bob Hooper fired a 143 1985 China Lake Golf Club champion when and Jerry Lloyd a 146. he turned in a 72-hole total of 152. He edged Tony Karrer, defending champ, who card-

Brett Bates also fired a 154 and took third place when he matched cards with Karrer. In fourth place with a 155 gross for 72 holes was Burroughs High School student Cory

In handicap flights, George McChesney by matching cards with Art Karrer.

won the first flight with a 135 net followed

Second flight action found Pete McCormick at 137 net while Paul King shot a 139, Ray Banks a 142 and P. Bouchard came in with a 144 total.

J. Byrd won the third flight title with a 135 as he took the honor after matching cards with Dick Zurn who also carded a 135. Frank McElfish took third with a 137

Bryan wins MDISL division

Curt Bryan of China Lake captured the senior division while Jim Dillon and Bob senior division title with a 72-hole total of 152 in Mojave Desert Interservice League (MDISL) golf competition held at the Naval Weapons Center golf course.

NWC finished fifth in team standings with 820 while George AFB won the first place trophy with a 760 total.

Ron Decker of NWC finished eighth in the

Open Division golfers were paced by Mike Lindsey of George AFB with a 149 score. The best China Laker was John Shoaf finishing in 23rd place. John Rhodes was 31st while Jim Armstrong, Bob Corder, Joe Strichek and Dan Bouchard also were

Keen were 16th and 18th in the division.

competing for China Lake.

Team in second place

Under-16 squad grabs two easy road wins

team ventured South and returned home five goals before the final gun. with two victories. On Saturday, in an obvious mismatch,

the Scorpions blew away the Rialto Blasy by a very unsoccerlike socre of 13 to 2. All the Scorpion forwards and midfielders contributed to the scoring with one goal thrown in by the defense for good measure.

Tom Caves celebrated his birthday by scoring his first two goals since joining the Scorpions. His first goal came on a penalty shot with his second goal scored off a nice crossing pass by Armando Valdivia. Bob Burge played a solid defensive game and Chris Johnson made several excellent lead

passes from his midfield position. The second game was against the Moreno Valley Cosmos, one of the teams vying for in Ridgecrest at 1 p.m. at Murray first place. The Scorpions gave up the first Southwest.

Ridgecrest's Under-16 Scorpion soccer goal in this match, but came back to score

Matt Mechtenberg set Chris Johnson up for a tally on an excellent pass, then Johnson set up a score by Matt Zeigler. The Scorps scored early in the second half on the same combination, followed by a Zeigler shot deflected by Caves into the far corner of the goal. The final score was a penalty kick converted by Mechtenberg.

Besides the Scorps precise offensive play, Scott Hamilton and John Dykema played tough defense, especially in the second half of both games.

The Scorpions now hold second place in the Inland Empire League. Tomorrow the Scorpions host the San Bernardino Cosmos



Military - Why can anyone get gas at the base station without getting carded or checked for I.D.? I have gone in several times and wasn't carded. The attendant working said that they look at the sticker on the cars. I was wondering if they're supposed to check I.D. or the vehicle stickers. If they're supposed to check the stickers, that means any civilian employee is eligible to buy gas at the base station, which takes away another military privilege. I would appreciate an answer in the Skipper Sez column. Thank you.

Navy Exchange Manual paragraph 2422.6 states: "Authorized Exchange patrons, when making purchases in the service station, may be identified by station vehicle identification decalcomanias or stickers in lieu of other types of identification provided such decalcomanias or stickers can positively identify the individual as an authorized person."

Currently, DOD vehicle stickers are issued along with an activity identification sticker and stickers to annotate the month/year of expiration. the activity identification stickers are issued as follows: Blue - Officers; Red - Enlisteds; Green - Civilians; and White - Contractors.

If a vehicle displays a blue or red activity no further identification is required. Further identification is required from the drivers of vehicle displaying green or white activity identification stickers. If it is then determined that the individual is not an authorized patron, the individual's name, code/employer, work phone number and vehicle license number is obtained. The individual is then informed that the Navy Exchange is for authorized patrons only and that his employer will be contacted if any further attempts to utilize the Navy Exchange are made. You have not lost any privileges, I have just tried to make things more convenient for you.

Military - Can NWC or Public Works put speed bumps in military housing? It would cut down on speeders, and be safer for the children, especially in Capehart B housing. There hasn't been an accident that I know of vet, but due to the number of children in the area, it's bound to happen sooner or later. I'd appreciate an answer to this question as soon as possible.

The Traffic Safety Council has reviewed on more than one occasion the feasibility of placing speed bumps in the military housing areas. There is always concern in housing areas for children's safety from motorists; however, speed bumps would not be a viable solution. Speed bumps in themselves cause additional problems, such as hindering the speed of emergency vehicles. An alternative solution is to increase the police patrols in this area. The China Lake Police Department patrols the housing areas regularly now, but will place added emphasis to this concern. Coupled with increased police surveillance, more active involvment of parents in watching their children and training them to avoid playing in and around streets, can significantly reduce the potential for an acci-

All Chine 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 emilitary 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

Product substitution seen as contractor problem

The idea of contractors substituting inferior materials for higher priced contracted materials is not new. But when contractors deliberately attempt to deliver substitute products that don't meet DOD specifications, the results can be disastrous, not only to valuable national security equipment, but to the men and women who work with it.

According to a recent DOD report, product substitution has been identified as the most critical fraud-related problem in the Defense Department.

Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger said product substitution "continues to pose a serious problem in our efforts to develop and maintain the readiness capability necessary for a strong national

Detecting product substitution problems should be a top priority for all DOD personnel, said Weinberger, who asked for "all civilian employees and military personnel to be particularly attentive to possible indicators that show problems exist."

Some cases in point:

Air Force B-52 bombers are an integral part of this nation's defense capabilities. One contractor apparently wasn't thinking in those terms when he substituted inferior bolts used to fasten the wings to the main fuselage of the B-52. Wing bolts that met contract specifications were shown to inspectors, but inferior bolts were actually shipped to the Air Force.

Another contractor didn't place too much importance on the safety of our airborne personnel. This particular contractor was required to provide parachute cord that would withstand certain strength tests. It was later discovered that substandard cord had been delivered to DOD for six years. Further tests revealed the cord was more than 25 years old, was completely inadequate, and had even been dyed to disguise

Contractors who substitute products and endanger the state of readiness can increasingly expect to pay the consequences. Here are some who have:

- A Costa Mesa, Calif., supply company its president and vice president pleaded guilty to defrauding DOD on the procurement of metal and steel products. The indictment said the two executives would negotiate and get contract awards for specified metal and steel products and then purchase inferior products and provide them to DOD, falsely certifying that they were the proper materials. Full restitution of \$236,938 was made.

- A federal grand jury has indicted a Denver corporation and three of its corporate executives, charging them with supplying substandard products on DOD contracts, falsely certifying that the products conformed to contract specifications, and billing the government for more items than were supplied.

The company has supplied products to all major branches of the armed services and has made parts for at least 26 aircraft for

In recognition of National Handicap Awareness Week, Celebrated annually in October, I wish to acknowledge and salute the handicapped employees who have contributed so much to the Center, the community and the lives of those with whom they live and work. Their expertise and influence are found throughout the center, in all the areas of science, technology, administration and support.

The dedication and professionalism demonstrated by handicapped employees are clear indicators to all of us that having a handicap is not the same as being incapable.

NWC's continuing success depends on the creativity, special talents and productivity of our work force, and I appreciate very much the many contributions of our handicapped employees.

K.a. Dickerson

Commanders Award to Cdr. Erickson...

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NWC missions, a record 1,300 hours more than any previous year. And, he added, 1985 looks like it will also be a record year.

Much of this increase is credited to the influence of Cdr. Erickson's personal in-He had numerous personal interviews that provided guidance to those in need and reinforced those personnel already performing satisfactorily.

Cdr. Erickson impressed on his personnel that they were a vital part of a military/ civilian team and that their tasks were an civilian personnel within his organization began to improve rapidly.

mediate effect in the proficiency of has been a really rewarding experience."

until 1 p.m. Oct. 21 through 24.

Navy Relief Society Auxiliary.

Spouses, retirees, active duty personnel

increased pride in their work, as evidenced by the dramatically increased availability of aircraft for additional flight hours. Emphasizing that this award represented

appreciation for the military/civilian team terest in the well-being of all his personnel. on board, Burrell Hays, the Center's Technical Director, joined Capt. Dickerson at the presentation.

Responding to the Skipper's words, Cdr. Erickson said that he had never expected such an award, that this was the proudest moment of his military career.

He told assembled members of the Airimportant part of the Center's mission. As craft Department's military personnel that a result, the interface between military and "You folks out there are the ones who have done the work and are responsible for our being able to meet the needs of the Center," His efforts also began to have an im- adding that "working with each one of you

NRS class offered on Center

grams available to military through the class. Participants are not obliged to vol-Navy Relief Society can register now for a unteer to work in the local NRS office but class to be offered on board from 9 a.m. those who wish to do so will be welcomed.

The course will be taught by Joyce Din- For further information or to register, nage, Executive Director, Long Beach contact the local NRS office at 1811

Those who wish to learn more about pro- and civilians are all welcome to take the

Lauritsen Road or by phone, 446-4746, during working hours.



COMMANDERS'S AWARD - It was a surprised Cdr. Richard O. Erickson who received the NWC Commander's Award from Capt. K. A. Dickerson, Center Commander, last week. Cdr. Erickson heads the Aircraft Support Division of the Aircraft Department.

Future stays bright for Naval aviation, aviators

Naval aviation in 1985 bears little resemblance to that of 1910. The progress of 75 years has been dramatic. Naval aviators have progressed far beyond the stick-andrudder, fly-by-the-seat-of-the-pants days of Today's aircraft including the new F/A-18 Hornet and the sleek F-14 Tomcat require special skills from the person in the

cockpit. It takes sophisticated pilots with

greater technical skills than ever before to be a successful Naval aviator.

Even more special skills and technical ability will be needed by those who fly the next generation of aircraft and the ones

Computers do more for pilots today, provide them with more information on which to base decisions and control some mechanical functions than dreamed of during World War II.

The National Aeronautics and Space Adminstration (NASA) has begun testing the latest research aircraft, the X-29, the

first new X-series aircraft in more than a

Featuring a forward swept wing, the X-29 is the most computerized of the X-series and will allow testing of a broad range of advanced aircraft and system technologies than may one day be incorporated into

High-performance aircraft aren't the only things on the horizon for Naval aviation. The V-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft is under development by Bell Helicopter and Boeing Vertol. The first of this twin-engined revolutionary plane is due for prototype testing in 1988. The Navy and Marine Corps plan to use it for amphibious assaults and interdiction tasks. At the Naval Weapons Center, projects

like Cheap Night, the voice-actuated "pilot's assistant" (being worked on by the Human Factors Branch), and more will be used to allow aviators more flexibility in how they carry out their mission.

The U.S. is also working on stealth technology to protect aircraft from the radar detection. Other nations are also

seeking to develop advanced aircraft technology. The British, for example, have designed a Mach-2 plus aircraft featuring a full authority digital flight control system and advanced compound sweep carbon

Space is the last frontier for Naval aviators. Navy pilots have been in the space program from the start. This year the Navy established the Space and Warfare Systems Command to integrate space systems, surface ships and aircraft

While computers will verge on artificial intelligence, aircraft will go more and more to embedded computer technologly and many routine aircraft functions will be monitored and handled by computers, Naval aviators will remain in demand for their special skills.

There will always be situations requiring the judgement of a human mind and the Navy's aviation tradition will continue because trained Naval aviators will remain in the cockpit bringing their abilities, training and truly human factors to the aircraft.



Campbell calls Sloan year a great experience

experience I gained in that year than through the Sloan program," said Robert W. Campbell, who returned this summer from a year-long Alfred P. Sloan Fellows program at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Campbell, now Rolling Airframe Missile Program Manager, was one of 57 midcareer executives from throughout the world who took part in MIT's 1984-85 Sloan Fellowship program.

"You get out of it what you put into it and I guess I put a heck of a lot into it," commented Campbell of the year he and his family spent at MIT.

One of just seven public sector executives



China Lake Police Department officers vestigated a break in the NWC perimeter fencing last week. Someone had driven a car through the fence near the junction of Highway 178 and County Line Road and then abandoned the vehicle.

Two traffic collisions, one last Wednesday and another Sunday resulted in moderate property damage and one minor injury to a passenger in a vehicle.

A portable oven was removed from a desk in Warehouse 16 last week. Value of the oven was placed at \$50.

Two golf carts were reported stolen from the China Lake Golf Course. The carts, valued at \$3,790, were later recovered by CLPD officers from the dry lake area. Two juveniles were charged with the theft and face juvenile court action.

After a traffic stop, a motorist was found to be driving while under the influence. The driver was also arrested for possession of stolen property when officers discovered a number of dishes and china belonging to one of the messes on board in the vehicle.

noted 15 different countries were repre- the year was the international portion that sented in his Sloan Fellows class and 20 of included visits to Spain, Hungary, Finland, the 57 students came from the international France and the Soviet Union.

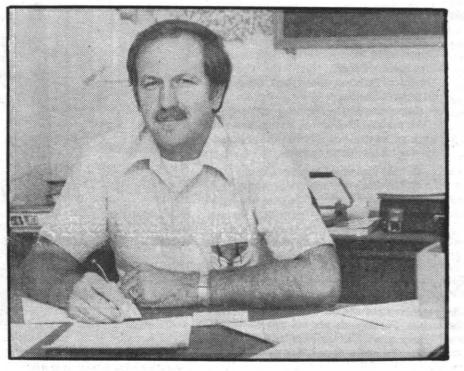
Arriving at MIT in June of 1984, Campbell said the summer was spent gaining a strong academic background for the course of study which led to a Master of Science Degree in Management. All Sloan Fellows spend their summer taking classes in economics, accounting, management and more. They also attended selected special seminars. Throughout the year he completed courses that included finance, marketing, technology management, corporate policy, quality management and other management courses.

Campbell, who headed the Aircraft Targeting Division when he left for his ding experience from start to finish.

Along the way Sloan Fellows met with both government and industry leaders. "We were able to gain a firsthand perspective on the contrasts in operations between different governments and industries," commented Campbell.

Hosted by the State Committee of Science and Technology while visiting the Soviet Union, Campbell said he gained a real appreciation and feeling for what freedom (in this country) is and how good it is to have that freedom

Also, Sloan Fellows visited Washington, D.C. to meet government leaders for offthe-record sessions. Chief executive of-Chinc Weapons Integration Department's ficers from many domestic corporations were invited to participate in seminars on Sloan Fellowship, said it was an outstan- campus and a visit to New York City for a week was also a key part of the program,



SLOAN FELLOW - Robert W. Campbell recently returned from a yearlong stay at the Massachusettes Institute of Technology as part of the Sloan Fellows Program. Campbell now heads the Rolling Airframe Missile Program Office in the Weapons Department.

"I can't think of a better way to gain the in the MIT program last year, Campbell Leading his list of experiences during during which they visited the CEOs of many Fortune 500 companies.

Because all the sessions with corporate executives and government officials were off-the-record and pretty much limited to Sloan Fellows, answers to questions, said Campbell, may have been more forthcoming and less vague than executives would make in public. The sessions also usually included an opportunity for part of the group to have dinner in a very informal setting with visiting corporate officials, leading to more conversation and ques-

A degree requirement at MIT was a master's thesis. Campbell wrote his on the audit of implementing strategic planning at Motorola's Semi-Conductor Plant in Phoenix. He noted strategic planning is growing in importance in both public and

The year as a Sloan Fellow was, "probably the experience of a lifetime," commented Campbell. He called it "a dynamic and diverse gathering of high caliber people you work with every day. You gain as much from the discussions by your fellow students as you do from the professors leading the classes," said Campbell. He also noted Sloan Fellows develop as a pretty close community after a year.

Noting the classes were all just outstanding he said, "They gave us the best they've got in professors," he said.

In his studies he found that China Lake really does shine. This is true he said, "not only in comparison to other government activities, but compared to private industry as well.

"China Lake continues to be and will continue to be an excellent place to work because the managers have the people's interests in mind," said Campbell.

He commented that NWC is right up with the best of private industry and others in government when it comes to human resources management to make work meaningful and challenging.

The year in Massachusetts was enjoyable for his wife as well. "She was able to sit in on many of the seminars, MIT was very flexible in that way," he added.

Campbell, a 1961 graduate of Burroughs High School has been with NWC since 1966.

Rescue effort brings medals for SAR helo crew

Rescue of a critically injured climber last fall brought the Air Medal to LCdr. S. E. M. (Buz) Massengale, SAR helo pilot, and Navy Commendation Medals to two helicopter air crewmen who played vital roles in the rescue of Richard Abrams on

Capt. P. D. Stephenson, Naval Weapons Center Chief Staff Officer, presented the Air Medal to LCdr. Massengale and Commendation Medals to AM3 Kevin M. Conger and AE2 Barry D. Beavers at a military quarters ceremony recently.

The rescue came after Abrams fell about 100 feet on a steep slope at about the 13,500 foot level on Mt. Sill. One witness to the fall said Abrams bounced off two ledges and stopped on a third.

It was 7:07 p.m., officially 20 minutes after sundown, when LCdr. Massengale was able to complete a spectacular hover

pickup of the injured climber and flew him to Northern Inyo Hospital in Bishop.

China Lake Mountain Rescue Group members had been airlifted by the SAR helo to within 500 feet of the injured Abrams and prepared him for the emergency rescue. They later said the man could not have survived the night on the

Medal reads, in part, "the excessively high

altitude, impending darkness and rapidly dwindling fuel supply required the utmost skill in operating the aircraft at the edge of its performance limits with no margin for error. With the ominous cliff towering overhead, LCdr. Massengale calmly and skillfully maneuvered the helicopter to within a few feet of the sheer rock face. Utilizing superb, aggressive airmanship, he held his laboring craft in a steady hover as

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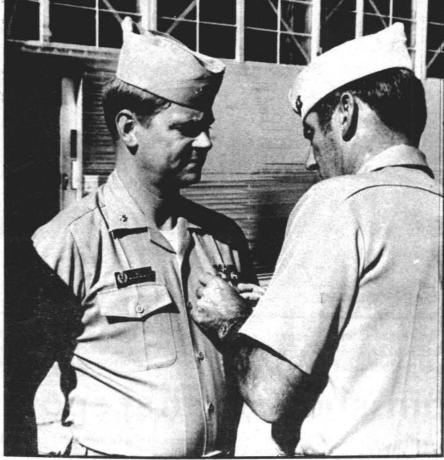
The citation that accompanied the Air the victim was passed up to waiting air-

Petty Officers Conger and Beavers earned Navy Commendation Medals for assisting in guiding the pilot to within a few feet of the rock face, providing "confident, aggressive direction necessary to maintain a steady hover dangerously close to the sheer cliff."

> The citation also noted Petty Officer Beavers and AM3 Conger "leaned perilously out of the open door to reach down below the skids of the helicopter and lift the victim aboard." By their courage, initiative and devotion to duty, they were directly responsible for saving a life noted the cita-

> Capt. Stephenson commended the SAR crews, noting it takes a lot of training and maintenance effort to continue to perform these rescues in a safe manner.





AIR MEDAL - LCdr. Buz Massengale receives the Air Medal for his SAR helo work from Capt. P. D. Stephenson, NWC Chief Staff Officer.

Military Night tour offered

Sign up now for the Military Night tour to deadline is October 18 at which time, if a

Disneyland on Friday, October 25. The park minimum of 30 people have not signed up,

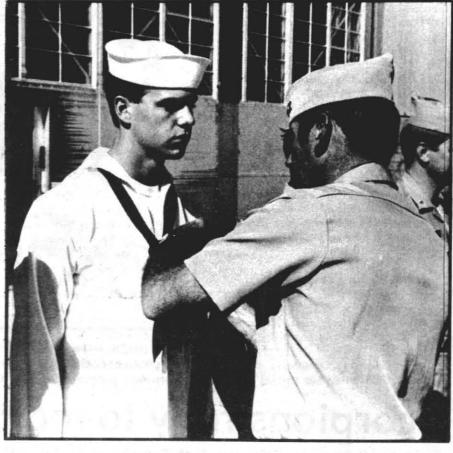
reserve seats and will receive their tickets the 38-person maximum will be taken. All

accompany them.

civilians is \$26 per person.

for Disneyland adventure

is open from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., and the the trip may be cancelled.



COMMENDATION MEDAL - AE2 Barry Beavers earned the Navy Commendation Medal for his work as crew chief of the NWC SAR helo during a rescue last year. Capt. P. D. Stephenson, NWC Chief Staff Officer, also presented a medal to AM3 Kevin Conger.

Runners need to think about personal safety

It's just before dawn. A service member kinds of attackers with all kinds of reasons dons athletic gear and hits the streets, ready for an early morning jog.

Unfortunately, in pursuit of physical and running into trouble.

Joggers are easy targets for muggers But the overwhelming factor, police say, for help can't be heard. Experts such as psychologist Martin

ment say runners are good targets for all million active duty service members, about

chartered tour bus will leave the EM Club

to Disneyland on the bus. A light dinner of

sandwiches, chips, and a soft drink will be

served. Participants will be expected to

return to the bus by 1:30 a.m. so that the

bus may return to the EM Club parking lot

Military personnel have priority regis-

tration. DOD civilians as well as military

personnel may sign up. The registration

by approximately 5:30 a.m.

- from motorists who resent their freedom to sexual misfits to deranged individuals whose anger can be triggered by things psychological health, he or she may be such as the color of a jogger's running

and rapists. They often run alone, at a pre- is that sooner or later most runners will dictable time, usually early in the morning lead an attacker to an isolated area. While or late in the evening when most people are aware of the dangers, many runners conat home, and in secluded areas where cries tinue to go it alone, claiming that's part of the pleasure.

Officials at the Soldier Physical Fitness Reiser of the Los Angeles Police Depart- Center estimate that, of more than two

youth ages 15 and below must have an adult

p.m. The cost for the tour for military per-

sonnel is \$23 per person and for DOD

that rape rather than mugging is usually

In a survey made by one local women's running club. 46 of 100 respondents had been the victims of 57 separate attacks. They said that the most common places of attack were parks, bicycle trails and commercial streets after business hours. The safest places, they found, were

downtown and residential areas. The American Running and Fitness Association offers these tips for safety on

30 percent jog regularly. . . and that most

hit the road with particular emphasis right

It's difficult to determine just how many

of these joggers have been attacked,

because neither military nor civilian police

separate these statistics from those other

Police say women are the most frequent

before physical fitness tests.

crime victims.

- Run with a friend or dog.

victims of violence on the jogging trail and alert the police if you don't return as plan-Wear identification and carry a police

- Run during daylight hours and avoid

- Avoid doorways, trails or sections of

- Vary your schedule so no one can

count on seeing you in a certain place at a

Let someone know where vou're going

alleys or isolated unpopulated areas.

trails surrounded by heavy brush.

certain time.

whistle around your neck. - Run defensively and be alert. Listen for sounds of people sneaking up behind or beside you.

- Leave entertainment devices, including headsets and radios, at home. They block out noises you need to hear.

- Don't wear jewelry that might attract

- Avoid antagonizing motorists. Ignore verbal harassment.

- Take a course in self-defense.

A waiting list of non-DOD civilians as Birthday celebration events need volunteers parking lot at 4 p.m. Participants will have well as military and DOD personnel above for tug-of-war, volleyball teams ages are welcome on this tour, although

Volunteers are being sought to compete son volleyball teams are sought to take part Registration will be taken at the Infor-Birthday Celebrations at the Naval mation, Ticket and Tour Office, open Mon-Weapons Center. day through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30

Tug-of-war contests will start at 2:30 p.m. and mud volleyball competition at 3 p.m. Eight-person tug-of-war teams or six-per-

in sports activities on Oct. 19 during Navy in the fun that day. All action is scheduled for an area near the NWC Headquarters Building.

Interested persons can sign up at the NWC Gym office or call NWC ext. 2334 for additional information