

WACOM fashion show

Glamour, glitter, holiday fashions and handsome escorts will be seen at the fall fashion show sponsored at the Commissioned Officers' Mess twice on Tuesday, Nov. 3. The show is sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary



	Max	Min	Peak Gusts	Precip
Thurs.	87	45	10 knots	
Fri.	86	45	10 knots	
Sat.	86	44	12 knots	
Sun.	87	45	10 knots	
Mon.	86	45	11 knots	
Tues.	89	43	11 knots	
Wed.	84	52	21 knots	.12

All measurements are made at Armitage Airfield.

of the Commissioned Officers' Mess (WACOM).

The daytime show, which is for members and guests only, begins with a social hour at 11 a.m., followed by lunch. Because space is limited, members should telephone either Elaine Jenne, 377-5229, or Pat Hazen, 375-9376, for reservations.

The evening show, which is open to the public, begins at 7:30. Tickets at \$4 per person can be purchased at Main Street, The Pinafore Shoppe, Gorrano's, Touch of Elegance, and the COM.

Stores showing clothes include Main Street, The Pinafore Shoppe, Gorrano's, Touch of Elegance, McNeil's, J. C. Penney, The Fashion Outlet, Lupe's Chic Fashion, and California White.

Community Events

Members of the Desert Art League will celebrate the 30th anniversary of their organization on Monday, Oct. 26. The special meeting is set for 7 p.m. at the Ridgecrest Senior Citizens Center. Dillie Thomas, the featured guest, will give an oil painting demonstration. The meeting is open to the public. Anyone planning to attend is asked to call Joan Welsh at 375-2954 or Lorraine McClung at 375-7987.

Halloween fun at the Naval Weapons Center's Chief Petty Officer's Mess on Friday, Oct. 30, will be highlighted by the sounds of the "Sunlight Band" and costume competition. The CPOM cauldron will be boiling from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., well after the bewitching hour. Come as a ghost, goblin, cowboy or desert rat and try to win prizes for the best, funniest or worst costume. Transportation will be provided to and from the CPOM if needed. Call NWC ext. 3634 for additional information.

Both teens and adults are invited to the Red Ribbon Kick-Off Clean and Sober Dance at Murray Junior High School tomorrow (Saturday) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. There'll be a variety of music to fit all ages. No alcohol will be served. Admission to the dance is only \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.

Movies

FRI-SAT.	OCT. 23-24
"THE UNTOUCHABLES"	
Starring Robert DeNiro and Sean Connery (Drama, rated R, 120 min.)	
SUNDAY	OCT. 25
"THE ARISTOCATS"	
(Animated, rated G, 78 min.)	
WED.	OCT. 28
"LINK"	
Starring Terence Stamp and Elizabeth Shue (Horror, rated R, 104 min.)	
FRI.	OCT. 30
"ROBOCOP"	
Starring Peter Weller and Nancy Allen (Thriller, rated R, 103 min.)	
Admission price varies	
Starting Times: Matinee / 2 pm Evening / 7 pm	
(G) ALL AGES ADMITTED General Audiences	
(PG) ALL AGES ADMITTED Parental Guidance Suggested	
(R) RESTRICTED Under 17 Requires Accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian	

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NWC Rocketeer

Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California 93555-6001

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'Choose to care' Annual China Lake CFC campaign underway

"Choose to Care" is the theme for this year's Combined Federal Campaign, which kicks off Monday. "And we hope everyone at China Lake will take this opportunity to help out by contributing in this once a year campaign," says Jim Bowen, Deputy Support Director.

Generous China Lakers have the opportunity to designate any of more than 150 agencies to receive their contributions. These agencies represent the United Way of Indian Wells Valley, national health agencies and national and international service

agencies, as well as some local groups not associated with any major organization.

All designations are honored, emphasizes Bowen, who is one of the two CFC coordinators this year. (Mickey Strang from the Public Affairs Office happily shares his task as the other coordinator.)

Key people from throughout the Center have been designated to chair the campaign within their own departments, and have been briefed on the CFC when they picked up their campaign materials last week. This year's

goal is to try to get as much completed within the first two weeks of the scheduled three-week long CFC, so each of the key personnel will be scheduling meetings as well as getting together with the Center's military and civilian personnel to give each the opportunity to ask questions and to sign the pledge cards.

Donations can be made through payroll deduction (starting with the first check of next year) or through cash or check immediately. Payroll deductions can be cancelled later in the year if the donor wishes for any

reason to do so. The advantage of the one CFC rather than individual campaigns by various agencies is obvious - with one campaign only, expenses are held to a minimum so that agencies will get maximum dollars to use to meet their goals.

Locally, campaign costs, including cost of the brochures, pledge cards, and the fees from the Certified Public Accountants who handle the money ran a little over 6 percent last year.

This, says Dr. Jim Stanford, president of the local United Way, is the

lowest campaign cost in California and is well below the 10 per cent guideline considered appropriate for fundraising.

"We aim to give everyone the opportunity to contribute to the helping agency of his or her choice," says Bowen. "Everyone has benefitted either directly or indirectly from the work of many of the groups now asking for help in keeping their work going. This is a superb way of saying thanks."

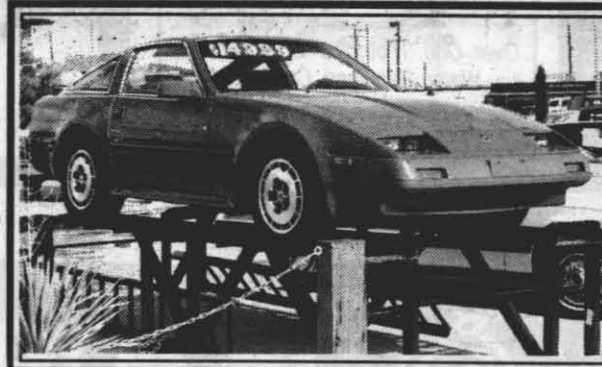
Goal of this year's CFC is \$200,000.

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PILOT TALK—Visitors to NWC's Birthday celebration last Saturday learn about the QF-86 from a Navy pilot. More than 3,000 persons saw aircraft displays and toured Michelson Lab during the celebration. The observance was in honor of NWC's 44th Birthday and the U.S. Navy's 212th.



NWC Birthday bash attracts future aviators

Among the thousands of visitors to the Naval Weapons Center helping celebrate the Center's 44th birthday last Saturday were numerous youngsters who just may grow up to become a future generation of Naval aviators. If the fascination the exhibits and vid-

eos of Navy aviation had for these boys and girls can be translated into recruiting power, the U.S. Navy will be well staffed with aviators for years to come.

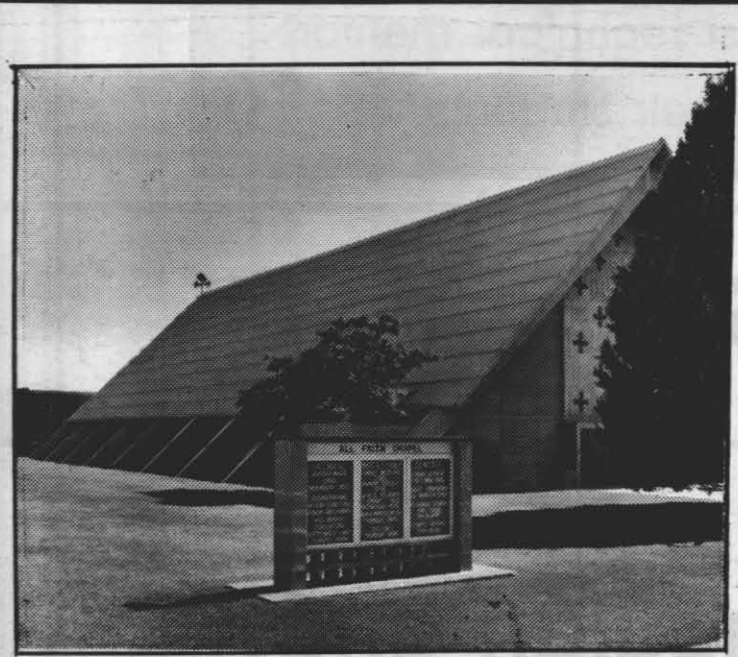
The parents were on hand, too; often it was a chance to show the kids

a small sample of the kind of work they do for the Navy. For others, it was an opportunity to show off the kind of aircraft they used to fly or work on. And for still other visitors, it was a first-hand opportunity to see for themselves a portion of just what does go

on at this massive land-locked Navy installation.

Estimates on the number of visitors winding their way through Michelson and the Engineering Laboratories and the parking lot displays ranged up to 5,000.

Most people seemed to come for the chance to go through the laboratories. Once inside, they saw video tapes of program tests at NWC, computers at work doing graphic programs, engineering technicians demonstrating (Continued on Page 10)



Divine Services

Protestant

Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
 Sunday School (September thru June) 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Study (East Wing)
 Wednesday 11:30 a.m. (September thru June)
 Thursday 6:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:00 p.m. Officer's Christian Fellowship
 Christian Military Fellowship

Islamic

Jumaa Prayer (Friday in Annex 4) 1:00 p.m.

Roman Catholic

Sunday Mass 9:00 a.m.
 Communion Service (Monday) 11:35 a.m.
 Daily Mass (Tuesday thru Friday) 11:35 a.m.
 Confession (Friday) 4:30-5:00 p.m.
 Confession (Sunday) 8:15-8:45 a.m.
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NWC's Wellness Corner

Center personnel are encouraged to begin a program of walking during the lunch hour. Several people from the Headquarters Building have begun such a program and walk briskly for 30 minutes each lunch time, covering about 2 miles during their daily walk.

This group leaves between 11:30 and 11:40 a.m., walk east on Blandy Avenue, turn south at the Commissioned Officers' Mess to Essex Circle, go west on King Avenue, back to Blandy behind the gym, and return on Blandy, with a final circuit of the lawn in front of the Headquarters Building to complete their exercise.

Participants report benefits. They feel refreshed, more productive in the afternoon, and are happy to escape from their offices.

Other benefits include that those weighing 150 pounds burn 5.4 calories a minute walking at a normal pace; in 30 minutes, this equals 162 calories. Although this doesn't sound like much, 22 sessions of such a walk without any change in dietary habits will result in losing one pound. By walking three times a week for a year, there'll be a weight loss of 7 to 8 pounds.

With a faster pace, more calories are expended.

The best way to get started is to find a partner to walk with you. Pick a brisk, comfortable pace, and go for it. If at the start you can only walk 10 minutes, that's fine. Keep at it and build up stamina gradually. Comfortable shoes are the only requirement.

Before starting any exercise program, if you are over 40, have a heart condition or are seriously overweight, consult your physician.

The Wellness Coordinator has brochures by Rockport on walking and a walking fitness test. Telephone NWC ext. 2437 for more information.

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Coming soon will be a voluntary blood draw to profile total cholesterol, HDL ratio, triglycerides and glucose. Next, a lifestyle inventory will be used to assess health practices, heart health, fitness, stress, nutrition, safety and wellness attitude.

The Wellness Program has videotapes of three lectures that can be checked out: LCdr. Skaggs, *Healthy Heart*; Lt. Thompson, *American Back School, Back Injury Prevention*; and Jennifer Class-Mitchell, *Nutrition and Your Health: Dietary guidelines for Americans*. These can be obtained from the Training Center by telephoning NWC ext. 2451.

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The Wellness Program will take part in the American Cancer Society's Great American Smoke Out scheduled November 19.

Literature will be available as well as smoking cessation courses and self-help opportunities. Watch this column for further information.

Kern County slates flu shots

Influenza vaccinations will be available to Kern County residents aged 55 and over for only \$2 a shot at special flu clinics, according to Kern County Director of Public Health Services Dr. Leon Hebertson.

Although the vaccinations are primarily for older residents, flu shots will also be given to younger adults and children if they have long-term heart or lung problems or serious chronic diseases.

This year the vaccine will protect against three strains of flu that are expected to cause illness in the United States this year: A/Taiwan, A/Leningrad, and B/Ann Arbor.

Shots will be given at the Health Department Office, 250 W. Ridgecrest Blvd. in Ridgecrest, on November 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and on December 1 from 1 to 3 p.m.

This year the Health Department will also give pneumonia immunizations at \$2 each when medically indicated and tetanus-diphtheria boosters at \$3 at the above clinics and dates.



NEW FACILITY—Ribbon cutting ceremonies marked the formal opening a new Software Development Facility for Code 3561 of the Electronic Warfare Department. Taking part were (from left) R.E. Atkinson, Mike King, Mark Viers of Digital Equipment Corp., June Owens, Karen Higgins, division head and Larry Rollingson. Eighteen months in the development, this gives the division a new secure computer facility. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

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The Skipper Sez...

(Editor's note: The following was received by Capt. Burt and he, in turn, wants to share it with the community.)

Dear Captain Burt:

I've been hearing, again, that the base has been receiving complaints from Brown Road area residents about low flying jets.

I've been meaning for some time to write this to counter their shortsightedness. The enclosed article from the March 1986 Reader's Digest says it all for me and for many of my friends out here.

We need you to do whatever you have to do and those complainers should be aware that in all likelihood, they would not be here if it weren't for the base and its "low flying jets."

We don't mind at all, and in fact, really enjoy seeing all the different kinds of planes flying over.

You have lots of friends on this side of the valley.

— By Terri Middlemiss

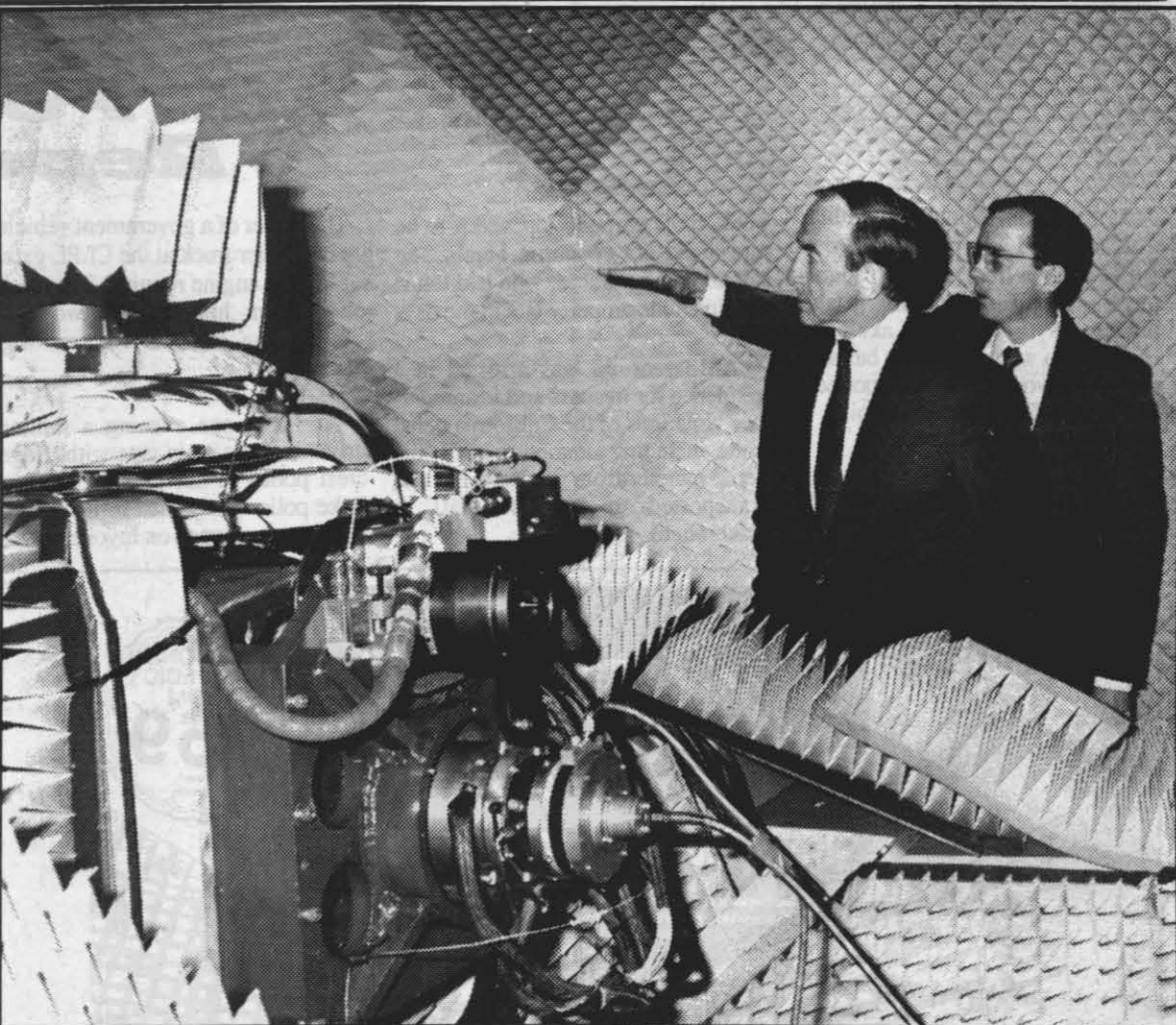
(The following enclosure has been reprinted with permission from the March 1986 Reader's Digest.)

During a four-day exercise at Volk Field in central Wisconsin, we got numerous protests from civilians about our airplanes flying over their farms and houses. To everyone's surprise, one woman phoned to complain that our planes were not flying over her home.

We asked her for her location, and the next day our crews were delighted to rectify the error and fly over her little house. The woman reaffirmed our feelings about what we were doing. She was standing there with her husband and six children—waving an American flag.

—Contributed by Col. Woodrow T. Fail

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. John Burt. 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.



NWC VISIT—Thomas Faught (left), nominee to become the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Research, Engineering and Systems), visited the Naval Weapons Center last week for orientation purposes. Arlo Mickelson, head of the Weapons Department's Weapons Synthesis Division, gives him a briefing on the Anechoic Chamber in Michelson Laboratory. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

Skipper plans talks

As part of his continuing efforts to improve communication between Command and Center personnel, Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, will be visiting a variety of work sites throughout the next several months.

He'll give personnel a current overview of what is happening at China Lake and will also include a question-and-answer session so that everyone will have the chance to get a direct response to any concerns.

The first of these hour-long briefings will take place next Thursday at EWTES; since it would be impossible for all personnel working at Rands-

Leadership test set Wed.

China Lake sailors planning to take the next Military/Leadership Test (for E-4, E-5, E-6 and E-7) may be confused as to the correct date for the test since last week's Rocketeer listed a day of the week and a date that didn't match.

They need to plan to start the test on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 a.m. at the NWC Enlisted Mess ballroom.

Participants must submit a chit to reach PSD/ESO no later than 4:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26. Any chits not in the hands of PSD by that time will be held for next month's test.

Participants must also be in the ballroom no later than 7:15 on the morning of the test in the uniform of from Bob Morin at NWC ext. 3314. The test is mandatory for all E-7 candidates. More information can be obtained from candidates.

Center personnel to be rebadged

All NWC and tenant employees (civilian and military) will be rebadged by the Safety and Security Department during November and December.

This rebadging effort is being done to computerize the Center employee badging operation in the same manner as the contractor badges and to comply with Department of the Navy instructions.

The new badge will be similar to the old employee badge except that it will be serialized and color coded, therefore eliminating the need to issue all employees an Optional Form 55 Government Identification Card.

Rebadging will be conducted at the "Old Visitor Center," Building 01182, located adjacent to the Main Gate. Employees are encouraged to park BEHIND the visitor center to alleviate traffic congestion at the Main Gate.

A-C	Nov. 2-6
D-G	Nov. 9-13
H-K	Nov. 16-20
L-M	Nov. 23-27
N-R	Nov. 30-Dec. 4
S-U	Dec. 7-11
V-Z	Dec. 14-18
Make up week	Dec. 14-18
Employees on leave, travel, or for	

Complete implementation and usage of the new badge will occur on Jan. 4. With employees' cooperation, the rebadging effort should be accomplished with a minimum of time and inconvenience.



This is the Sunday to get that extra hour of sleep lost when daylight savings time began last spring. Turn the clock back an hour at 2 a.m. Sunday (or on going to bed Saturday night). Pacific Standard Time starts Sunday and will run until next April.



China Lake Police Reports

At 8:10 a.m. Monday a military man assaulted his civilian girl-friend with a stick in front of the Headquarters Building. He was promptly taken into custody by a China Lake police officer who was exiting the building; the young woman was transported to Ridgecrest Community Hospital by NWC ambulance.

When an unattended briefcase was found in Michelson Laboratory last

week, EOD carefully opened it to be sure it did not contain a bomb. The embarrassed contractor who had left it reclaimed his property late in the day.

A 13-year-old was arrested in a residence for trespass and for numerous violations of the California penal code, including attempting to file the serial number from property. He was transported to Juvenile Hall in Bakersfield.

The driver of a government vehicle got out of her truck at the CLPL gate, but left the engine running. The truck rolled down hill and hit two cars before being stopped. No one was injured.

At 11:10 one evening a military driver ran the main gate with Ridgecrest police in hot pursuit. A China Lake police car joined in the pursuit and he was stopped on Inyokern Road

near the housing office. The subject was found to be driving while under the influence and was arrested by the Ridgecrest Police Department.

China Lake police assisted Kern County Sheriff's officers in serving a paper on an employee located at the airfield.

A government vehicle was wrecked at Randsburg Wash. No reports were received of any injuries.

When police stopped a vehicle at Inyokern and Dibb Road because of a broken windshield, they discovered that the driver had an outstanding warrant from Santa Barbara County, so the individual was arrested and held.

Vandals broke the windshield of a vehicle parked on Hayward Avenue.

Police officers making a traffic stop at the main gate on a car with defective lights discovered the driver was unlicensed. The driver was cited.

Residents on Vieweg Circle called police to report that someone was illegally soliciting on Center. Police told the solicitors that door-to-door sales for other than Command-okayed causes were illegal, and the solicitors departed.

A portable stereo was stolen from a room at the BEQ.

At the intersection of Rowe Street and Monterey Avenue police found a black "big wheel" bike. This can be reclaimed at the police station.

Officers making a traffic stop by the bowling alley discovered that the subject stopped was trespassing on NWC. He received both a letter of trespass and a citation to the magistrate for trespassing.

After police stopped a vehicle for speeding at Inyokern Road and Saratoga Avenue, they discovered the driver was unlicensed. The driver was cited and released.

Unknown persons removed an unattended purse from the Branch Medical Clinic.

At 8:30 p.m. Monday in a domestic dispute a husband struck his wife. He was arrested for violation of the UCMJ and turned over to the CDO.

LAN talk set

Taylor Smith and John Netzer will talk about the methodology of acquiring a Local Area Network for the F/A-18 Program Office at an open meeting of the China Lake Chapter of the IEEE Computing Society. The meeting will be held in the Drydock Room of the Enlisted Mess on Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

They will discuss requirements, determination and analysis, preliminary and detailed design, systems acquisition, testing and implementation. Ongoing issues of system administration, maintenance and training will also be covered.

All interested persons are welcome. No advance reservations are required; lunch choices include either the daily lunch special or ordering from the menu.

Product show

Falcon Microsystems will hold a Labview demonstration on Tuesday, Oct. 27, at 1 p.m. at their office, 1353J, Inyokern Road, in Ridgecrest. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Questions and answers about changing to FERS

Q. Does the Special Retirement Supplement under FERS approximate the amount of Social Security I will get at age 62?

A. No. The Special Retirement Supplement approximates the portion of an estimated Social Security benefit that you would earn during civilian service that is creditable toward the FERS portion of your annuity. Since the formula for the Special Supplement assumes a working life of 40 years, each year of FERS service is worth one-fortieth of the estimated Social Security benefit.

Q. If I transfer to FERS and then retire, will my spouse get a "combined" CSRS/FERS benefit?

A. Only to the extent that the survivor annuity would be based on your own "combined" annuity. Otherwise, FERS rules apply to the entire survivor benefit. That is, your spouse's survivor benefit would be 50% of the amount of your benefit at retirement, plus a total percentage of cost-of-living increases you received as a retiree. (Your annuity is reduced 10% to provide this survivor benefit.)

Q. Is my family protected if I die soon after I transfer to FERS?

A. Yes. All of your CSRS service counts toward eligibility for FERS

survivor benefits. Under FERS, survivor benefits are payable after 18 months of creditable civilian service.

Q. Since my spouse also has good retirement benefits, I had planned to elect \$3,600 as the base for survivor benefits under CSRS so that our health insurance coverage can continue if I die first. Can I do this under FERS?

A. No. FERS doesn't allow you to select the base for the survivor benefit. You must choose "ALL" or nothing. If you don't want to provide a survivor benefit for your spouse, your spouse must consent to your election not to provide the benefit. The widow(er) of a deceased annuitant cannot continue coverage in the Federal Employees Health Benefit Program unless there is a survivor annuity. (Congress is considering changing the law to allow retirees to select a base for the survivor annuity that is less than all of his or her annuity. If this feature is important to you, you may want to postpone making a FERS election decision until it becomes clearer what Congress will do.)

Q. I am considering changing to FERS to avoid the Public Pension

Offset that would reduce or eliminate my social security benefit based on my spouse's earning under Social Security. However, I have heard that the law may be changed so as to apply the Offset to people who retire under FERS as well as those who retire under CSRS. Is there any reason to postpone making my election of FERS or to change my mind about electing FERS?

A. Yes. If the main reason you

are considering transferring to FERS is to avoid the Public Pension Offset, you may want to postpone making your election. It appears likely that Congress will act to amend the law so that the Offset will apply to FERS and that the amendment will be retroactive to the beginning of the FERS open season. Therefore, you may want to postpone your decision about joining FERS until it becomes clearer what Congress will do. The main rea-

sons that you may want to reconsider a decision to transfer to fers are (1) a FERS election is irrevocable, and (2) the survivor benefits payable under FERS are lower than those under CSRS and they cost slightly more than CSRS survivor benefits. However, if you are electing a "self-only" benefit without a survivor annuity, the prospect of a change in the Public Pension Offset may be of less concern to you.

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SPONSORS AND MENTORS MEET—New students and mentors of the Technical Mentor Program recently took part in a get-together at the Training Center; enabling them to get to know each other before getting to work. The mentors and students taking part are: (first row) Donald Markwith, student from Burroughs; Allen White, student from Burroughs; Faith Robbs, student from Burroughs; Charise Schultz, student from Burroughs; Mary Preller, student from Burroughs; Jean Chan, student from Burroughs; Ellen Crecelius, student from Burroughs; and Brandie Sanders, student from Burroughs. Second row participants are: Dr. Robin Nissan, Code 3851; John Kessler, student from Calvary; Makana Lowe, student from Burroughs; Linda Roush, Code 31C; Heather Jones, student from Burroughs; and John Willie, student from Burroughs. Third row participants are: John Fisher, Code 3853; Bob Paige, Code 3922; Al Sorenson, Code 6131; Don Stapleton, Code 3522; Dr. Walter Fisher (representing Dave Orland), Code 2637; Bill Johnson, Code 3522; and Dr. M. Nadler, Code 3851. Participants who could not attend the get-together were: Dennis McKinney, Code 3945; Norman Nelson, Code 62511; Mostafa Talukder, Code 3858; Dr. Charlotte Lowe-Ma, Code 3854; and Sandra Collier, student from Burroughs.

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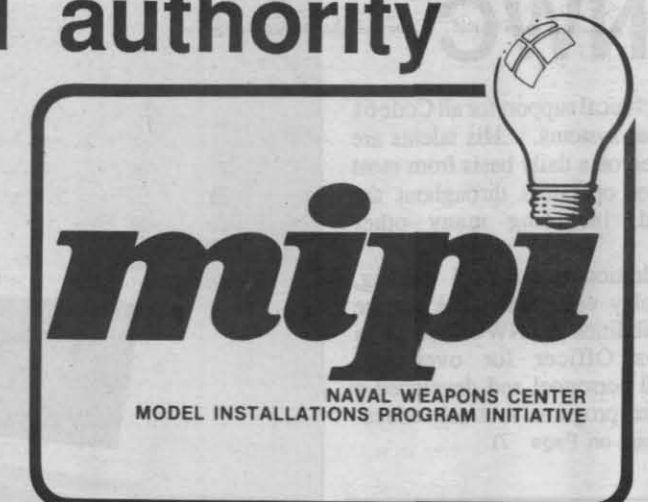
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More local authority



Investigation and adjudication of aircraft sonic boom damage claims against the Navy would be simplified and done in a more timely fashion if Naval Weapons Center Model Installation Program Initiative 090-87 is approved by higher authority. This is one of two MIPIs aimed at improving NWC's capability of adjudicating claims against the Navy. MIPI 090-87 would change a procedure which now requires time-consuming investigation of alleged sonic boom damages. The current policy also requires the adjudication of the matter to be handled by the Navy Legal Services Office in Long Beach. The NWC MIPI suggests giving the Center's Judge Advocate General's office the authority to simplify the investigation and adjudicate the claim will result in considerable financial benefits to the Navy. The MIPI says current policy often results in expenditure of resources far exceeding the government's actual liability. Under the MIPI, NWC would have authority to locally adjudicate claims up to \$10,000 each. This, notes the MIPI message, will improve and strengthen community relations, facilitate adjudication of claims and minimize misunderstandings between the Navy and claimants. Approved by the NWC Commander, this MIPI is awaiting approval from higher authority.

How to find NWC's MIP Office Model Installation Program Initiatives can be submitted through the Naval Weapons Center's electronic mail (E-mail) network, through guard mail to Code 02A2, or brought in person to Room 2011 in the Headquarters Building. Additional information is available by calling the MIP Office at NWC ext. 2437 or 2711. E-mail users should send requests for MIPI forms to: •SEFB:HAMILTON (Dave Hamilton) •SEFB:MATHEWSON (Wes Mathewson) •SEFB:MACBRUCE (Bruce MacIntosh) •SEFB:RICHEY (Jo Richey) •SEFB:SHAWLER (Gary Shawler)

The second initiative is "me too authority" under MIPI 068-87. This, already approved by the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR), gives the NWC JAG office authority for local adjudication of motor vehicle accident claims for damage of up to \$1,000 per claim, where the government is liable under the Federal Tort Claims Act or the Military Claims Act. This MIPI was initially submitted for approval by the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Albany, Georgia. It is expected to save money by cutting down on the time needed to reach a settlement. This will reduce costs for rental car and storage fees where the government is at fault. Disapproved claims may still be appealed to the Navy Legal Services Office in Long Beach.

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DP1 Coley leading NWC

Data Processing Technician First Class (DP1) Curtis Coley, Maintenance Administrative Supervisor in the Aircraft Support Division, Code 612, has been selected as the Naval Weapons Center's Blue Jacket of the Quarter for July through September.

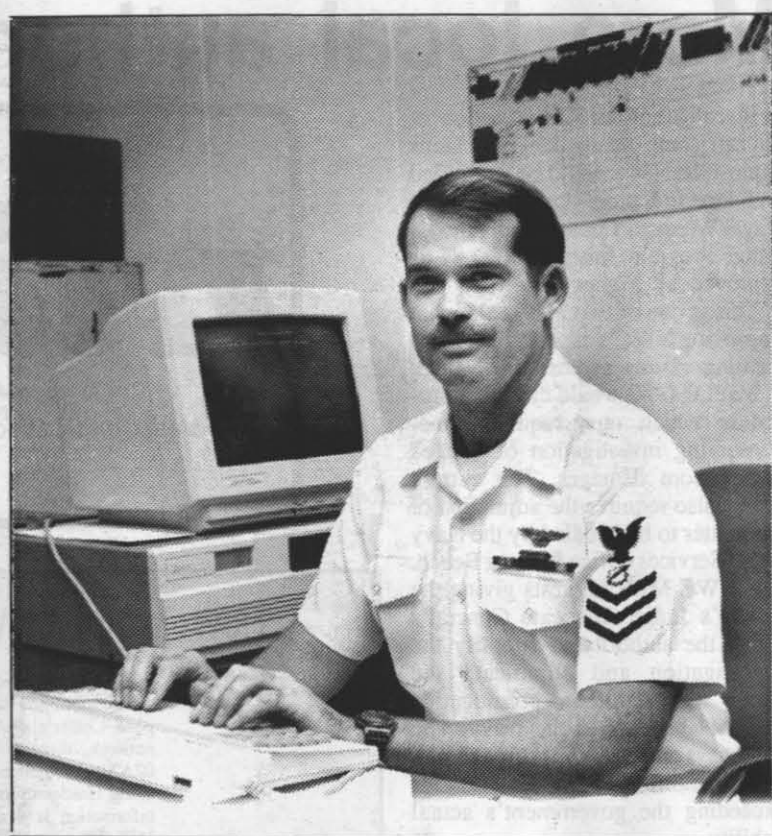
According to the nominating letter by Commander J. M. Crammer, head of NWC's Aircraft Department's Aircraft Support Division, DP1 Coley has caused a quantum increase in the division administrative office's

productivity since his arrival to NWC on January 20, 1987 due to his "dynamic personality, extensive personal knowledge of his rating and his charismatic leadership abilities."

The letter continues, "His thorough planning, foresight, dedication and professional demeanor are well beyond the level of his peers and rarely seen in such a junior First Class Petty Officer. In addition to his normal administration duties, he provides computer hardware and soft-

ware technical support for all Code 61 computer systems. His talents are requested on a daily basis from most computer operators throughout the Airfield, including many other codes."

In addition to personal training, DP1 Coley voluntarily took on the responsibilities of NWC Education Services Officer for over 450 assigned personnel and developed a computer program to track educa- (Continued on Page 7)



HARD AT WORK—DP1 Curtis Coley was recently selected as NWC's Blue Jacket of the Quarter. His data processing skills are often requested from computer operators throughout the Airfield.

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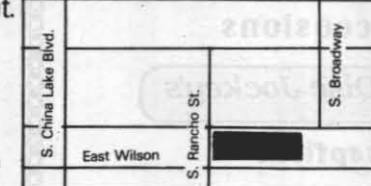
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All applications will be retained in the vacancy announcement file; they will not be returned or filed in official personnel folders. Applications and supplements are accepted at the Reception Desk, Room 100, Personnel Department, 505 Blandy. Ads close at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, one week after the announcement, unless otherwise specified. Applications received after 4:30 p.m. on the closing date will not be considered. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any non-merit reason.

Reassignment opportunities

This column is used to fill positions through reassignment only. For this reason, the Reassignment Opportunity Announcements are separate from the Promotion Opportunities column in the Rocketeer. Applications will be accepted until the date stated in the announcement. Employees whose work history has not been brought up to date are encouraged to file an SF-171 or 172. All applicants must meet minimum qualification requirements established by the Office of Personnel Management. Information concerning the recruitment and placement program and the evaluation methods used in these reassignment opportunities may be obtained from Personnel Management Advisors (Code 096 or 097). Applications should be filed with the person whose name is listed in the announcement. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

No. 35-038, Interdisciplinary (Electronics Engineer / Physicist / General Engineer/Mechanical Engineer/Aerospace Engineer), DP-855/1310/801/830/861-3, Code 3532 - The incumbent will serve as the Integrated Defensive Avionics Program (IDAP)

Technical Manager. This is a program to develop an integrated electronic warfare suite for Navy tactical aircraft. The IDAP integrates current jammers, radar warning receivers, new missile detection sensors and expendables with other aircraft avionics equipment. The program is entering full scale engineering development, and lab and flight testing of the risk reduction hardware/software is beginning. The incumbent will provide technical leadership in guiding IDAP through the CHEVAL/OPEVAL. The Technical Manager will develop plans and technical concepts to incorporate advanced and updated current equipments into an IDAP product improvement program. In addition, the incumbent will manage the IDAP hardware/software team, generate plans, schedules and budgets. The incumbent must be able to direct a multi-disciplined hardware/software team of developers, including laboratory and contractor; must be familiar with elements of electronic warfare, aircraft survivability, tactical strike operations, tactical aircraft and/or avionics; must be able to think at the system level and demonstrate flexibility in handling technical and programmatic issues; must be able to interface with sponsors, government laboratories, and contractors; must be able to plan, schedule, budget and coordinate tasks as part of a major project; must be able to communicate orally; and must be able to communicate in writing. The incumbent must have a current Top Secret/SBI or the ability to be granted this clearance. To apply, please submit current SF-171 to Penny Bou, Code 3532, NWC ext. 1576.

Talk set for people looking for employment, job change

A meeting has been set for 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, at the Training Center to provide information for people interested in employment and those who are interested in making a career change. Representatives of the Employers Training Resource Office, Bakersfield, will discuss the training available for various trades and careers for certain categories of job seekers (e.g., recently laid off, economically disadvantaged, handicapped, etc.). Representatives of the NWC Personnel Department will provide information about opportunities in Civil Service and Non-Appropriated Fund Activities.

No. 08-062, Supervisory Accounting Technician, GS-525-6/7, Code 08621 - This position is located in the Cost Accounting Branch of the Division of Central Staff. Incumbent serves as a supervisor in the control and maintenance of cost accounting records and subsidiary ledger for the Commercial Orders Section. Duties include supervising two lead accounting technicians and thirteen accounting technicians; providing on-the-job training and reviewing the work of employees; preparing performance plans and monitoring the work performance of employees; maintaining a current knowledge of and answering questions concerning procedures, policies and directives used in the section; reconciling subsidiary ledger accounts to general ledger accounts; preparing and reviewing time and attendance records; reviewing and updating desk procedures; validating costs and accounting records; and researching aged financial transactions to clear accounts. Incumbent must have extensive knowledge of the Integrated Disbursing and Accounting System; of the Document Entry System; of NAVCOMPT regulations; and of NWC personnel policies and procedures. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to communicate effectively in writing; ability to meet financial deadlines; ability to interpret and apply a body of regulations and procedures under varying conditions; ability to deal effectively with a wide range of people. Promotion potential to GS-6. Previously applicants need not reapply.

No. 35-032, Administrative Officer, DA-341-2/3, Code 356 - This position is the Administrative Officer for the Electronic Warfare Software Division, Electronics Warfare Department. The incumbent provides the full range of administrative support service for the Position Head and the various branches. Duties include overall responsibility for

and maintenance of cost accounting records and subsidiary ledgers for the Commercial Orders Section. Duties include providing on-the-job training to new employees; maintaining a current knowledge of and answering questions of other employees on procedures, policies, and directives used in the section; reviewing, revising, and updating desk procedures; reviewing incoming purchase orders and amendments for accuracy and completeness; reconciling subsidiary ledger accounts to GLA accounts, auditing computer reports for accuracy; validating cost and accounting transactions; researching aged financial information to clear accounts; and assumption of supervisory duties in the absence of the Section Head. Incumbent has extensive contact with NWC project, budget, and supply personnel and provides information on various vendor inquiries. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the Integrated Disbursing and Accounting System; knowledge of the Document Entry System; knowledge of NAVCOMPT regulations; knowledge of NWC Personnel Policies and Procedures; ability to lead/supervise employees in the performance of their duties; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; ability to meet financial work deadlines; ability to apply a body of regulations and procedures under varying conditions; ability to deal effectively with a wide range of people. Promotion potential to GS-6. Previously applicants need not reapply.

No. 35-033, Administrative Officer, DA-341-2/3, Code 356 - This position is the Administrative Officer for the Electronic Warfare Software Division, Electronics Warfare Department. The incumbent provides the full range of administrative support service for the Position Head and the various branches. Duties include overall responsibility for

direct/overhead financial management, personnel management, facilities and procurement. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of NWC financial accounting systems, terminology, and procedures; knowledge of personnel management in the federal sector; Ability to communicate orally; Ability to communicate in writing; Ability to collect and analyze data. Promotion potential, DA-3. Previous applicants need not reapply.

No. 35-037, Supervisory Interdisciplinary (Electronics Engineer/Computer Scientist/Mathematician/Physicist) DP-855/1550/1520/1310-3/4, Code 3562 - Incumbent will serve as the Branch Head for the EW Simulation Software Branch in the Electronic Warfare Department. The incumbent is responsible for directing and managing all technical and administrative efforts of the branch, including management of the facilities and contractor efforts associated with software development. The branch is responsible for development of SEWS software and other embedded and test software. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge in development from requirements definition through implementation and system testing; in structured software development in accordance with DOD standards using Yourdon or Ward and Mellor techniques; in EW simulations (radar or EW equipment); and personnel management. Ability: to communicate orally; to communicate in writing; to interact, coordinate, and negotiate with Center, Navy, DOD, and contractor personnel. Must be willing to support NWC EEO policies; and will be required to effectively motivate and manage personnel. A one year supervisory probationary period may be required. The position has promotion potential to the DP-4, however it is not guaranteed.

Secretarial opportunities

This column is used to announce secretarial positions for which the duties and job relevant criteria are generally similar. Secretaries serve as the principal clerical and administrative support in the designated organization by coordinating and carrying out such activities. Secretaries perform numerous tasks which may be dissimilar. Positions at lower grades consist primarily of clerical and procedural duties and, as positions increase in grades, administrative functions become predominant. At the higher levels, secretaries apply a considerable knowledge of the organization, its objectives and lines of communication. Depending on grade level, typical secretarial duties are implied by the job relevant criteria indicated below. Applicants will be rated against four or more of the following job relevant criteria: (1) ability to perform receptionist and telephone duties; (2) ability to review, track, screen and distribute incoming mail; (3) ability to review outgoing correspondence; (4) ability to compose correspondence and/or prepare non-technical reports; (5) knowledge of filing systems and files management; (6) ability to meet the administrative needs of the office; (7) ability to train clerical personnel and organize workload of clerical staff processors; (8) ability to plan and coordinate travel arrangements; (9) ability to maintain and coordinate supervisor's calendar and to arrange conferences. Unless otherwise indicated, applicants for branch secretary will be rated on elements 1/2/3/5/8; division secretary applicants will be rated on elements 1/2/3/4/7/8/9; Program Office secretary applicants will be rated on elements 1/2/3/4/5/8/9; and department secretary applicants will be rated on elements 4/7/8/9. A SUPPLEMENTAL FORM IS REQUIRED AND MAY BE OBTAINED IN ROOM 100 OF THE PERSONNEL BUILDING.

Meeting set to discuss changing clerical/assistant career paths to Demo Project

There will be an information meeting with an opportunity to make formal comments on the entry of the clerical/assistant career path into the Demonstration Project. The meeting will be in the Michelson Lab Auditorium, Room 1000D, at 1 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30. The meeting will be conducted by Eva Bien, NWC Civilian Personnel Officer. Also on the hearing panel will be Dr. Ed Royce, Chairman, Demonstration Project Executive Steering Committee; Roger Peck, Head, Personnel Service Division No. 1; and Bob Glen, Demonstration Project Manager. The purpose of the meeting is to provide individuals or employee organizations with an opportunity to present written or oral views to the Office of Personnel Management concerning the entry of the clerical/assistant workforce into the Demonstration Project. Any of the Center's clerical or assistant personnel who would like to make a statement for the record are invited to attend this meeting. The hearing is not intended to be a question-and-answer session that provides general background on the project. However, questions concerning specific aspects of the planned entry process or how the clerical/assistant workforce will be part of the Demonstration Project may be asked of the panel. Individuals who desire to make statements are requested to contact Debbie Ashley, NWC ext. 2478, so that presentation times can be scheduled. Each individual should provide the following information: name, address, organization or group represented (if any), estimated time of presentation, and whether or not a written text will be submitted. Comments from presenters will be limited to 10 minutes each to permit everyone an opportunity to be heard. The meeting will be recorded so that a typewritten transcript of the meeting can be provided to OPM. The submitted testimony is reviewed by OPM prior to final approval for entry of this career path into the Demonstration Project.

'Hands-on History' Day

Tomorrow those who'd enjoy a drive north and who have an interest in history can take part in the "Hands-On History Day" sponsored by Friends of the Eastern California Museum in Independence. Activities start at 8:30 a.m. and will run throughout the day.

For a registration fee of \$10 for adults and \$7.50 for anyone 16 and under, there'll be a class and demonstration of the use of hand tools of the 1880s and a demonstration of quilting techniques. The action then moves to the pioneer village behind the museum (just three blocks west of Highway 395) for work on restoring one of the old buildings there.

The day will finish with fiddle music and a pit barbecue. Cost of the barbecue is included in the registration fee.

Further information can be obtained by telephoning Tom Lipp at (619) 878-2002.

Community Halloween

It's fun and it's free. That's the Community Halloween Party set for Joshua Hall at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds from 6 to 9 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31. The annual event takes the place of trick-or-treating for youngsters from the Indian Wells Valley. Games, prizes and treats aplenty are being provided by area businesses and organizations. Much additional support comes from donations by community residents. Booths and entertainment are sponsored by community groups' businesses, all of which help make this a free substitute for Halloween trick-or-treating and a real treat for young spooks, cowboys, witches or GI Joes. Come in costume for a good time.

Maturango Junction set

Tomorrow's the big day for community fun when Maturango Junction will be held all day at Kern Regional Park in Ridgecrest. The fun begins with a Kiwanis breakfast from 7 to 11 a.m., with official opening ceremonies for all events at 9 a.m.

There'll be arts and crafts items and lots of food for sale, as well as the Historical Society's "cookies and conversation" booth that will give the opportunity to sit down and talk with some of the area's old-timers.

A fast-draw competition for western buffs to take part in or to watch, story-telling for youngsters, and a

chili cook-off with the opportunity to taste some of the results are only some of the activities scheduled.

Continuous entertainment will be offered on the flat-bed truck that serves as a stage.

Entertainment scheduled includes: 9 a.m., opening ceremony, with drill teams from Burroughs and Murray Schools and playing by the bands of these schools as well as the Monroe band.

At 10 the Dixieland Band will play, there's a children's parade and the start of the fast draw championship. At 10:45, Slim McWilliams, a singer,

at 11, Sweet Adelines, "Aviance;" 11:15, excerpts from CLOTA's *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*; 11:30, fashion show.

The afternoon begins with Frank Holley playing his saw at noon; 12:30, Sidekicks, country line dance demonstration; 1, Easy Loving, a country band; 2, Spanish dancers under the direction of Valdivia; 2:30, chili cookoff winners announced; 3:15, George Philips and his group with the piano; and the grand prize museum drawing winners will be announced at 4:45.

Melodrama at Randsburg

Melodrama returns to Randsburg starting November 13 with the grand opening of the McGinnis Opera House. The old west dinner theater will serve a western-style dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by an all-new

melodrama "The Miner Incident," written and directed by Linda Lou Crosby.

The historic opera house will transport theater-goers back to the gold mining era of the 1890s. "Our dream has always been to do more than just erect a set and perform a play in front of it," Crosby says. "We want the audience to travel with us right into the mining era and become part of the play."

Crosby and the L.L. & Co. theater group will operate the Opera House which as just been completely refurbished by owners Bill and Brenda Ingram.

When patrons join the fun at the McGinnis Opera House, they'll be greeted at the door by dance hall girls

and see all sorts of shady characters roaming the house.

Diners have to watch out for that evil Priscilla DePiugh (Dorothy Saitz) and her henchman, Brodskin Pustick (Robert Lupei). They have gained control of the newspaper (The Miner Incident) and are using it to spread lies about the miners and gain control of their claims.

Reservations are a must for this wild west experience due to limited seating. Tickets for the dinner and melodrama are \$18.95. For ticket information call Linda Lou at 375-1615 on weekends or evenings or Mary Williams at Eagle Mountain Stained Glass at 375-3071. Performances are also scheduled for Nov. 14 and Dec. 11 and 12. Advance reservations are being taken now.

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NCMA meets

Mr. P's Bar and Grill in Ridgecrest will be the site for the October meeting of the National Contract Management Association. The meeting will be held at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 28, and visitors are welcome.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Loyal Blackwood, General Counsel, Applied Technology Division, Computer Sciences Corporation. He will talk about "Fraud, Waste and Abuse."

Reservations are required and can be made by telephoning NCMA president Donette Capello at 446-6146.



TOP SAILOR—Petty Officer Second Class Angela Kohlhafer was honored as the Sailor of the Quarter by the China Lake Detachment of the Naval Oceanography Command. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

Oceanography Detachment gave top award to AG2 Kohlhafer

Aerographers Mate Second Class (AG2) Angela M. Kohlhafer was recently recognized as Sailor of the Quarter for the China Lake Detachment of the Naval Oceanography Command.

AGC G.A. Dille, Chief Petty Officer In Charge of the China Lake Detachment, said Petty Officer Kohlhafer's recognition was a direct result of her accomplishments during the preceding quarter. "As senior weather observer, you stood a vigilant watch over five weather observers. . .Compatible watch bills and necessary observation quality training are not easily completed, but by your lead these two subjects were well covered," he commented.

Petty Officer Kohlhafer is a veteran of more than three years Naval service and is married to ACAN Kevin Kohlhafer, assigned to NWC's Air Traffic Control Branch of the Aircraft Department.

In the letter recognizing Petty Officer Kohlhafer as detachment Sailor of the Quarter, Chief Dille said, "your high enthusiasm and perseverance to obtain the required meteorological knowledge to prepare for Meteorological and Oceanographic Analyst Forecasting School is commendable and exemplified your intense personal drive. . .to obtain a career goal."

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tional statistics for enlisted advancements.

This is the second time in less than one and a half years Petty Officer Coley has been selected as Blue Jack-

et of the Quarter; he had been selected as Blue Jacket of the Quarter at Adak, Alaska shortly before being reassigned to China Lake.

Petty Officer Coley and his wife Susan, are the parents of two children, Jason and Jennifer.



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Numerous factors impact promotion hopes

(This is the fifth article in a series of articles on the Navy advancement procedures. This article summarizes the requirements for Navy advancement.)
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their commanding officer. Also, each candidate must:
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zenship or security clearance for certain rates or ratings.
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•Be in the proper path of advancement.
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•Have a recommendation by the commanding officer.

•Pass military/leadership examination for PO3, PO2, PO1, or CPO.
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•Not have a request for transfer to the Fleet Reserve if a candidate for E-7/8/9.
•Meet physical readiness/body

fat standards of OPNAVINST 6110.1C.
Meeting all these requirements will not guarantee that a candidate will be advanced. However, the advancement system does guarantee that candidates within a particular rate will compete equally for vacancies.

Flu shots mandatory

Flu shots for active duty military personnel at China Lake are required again this year to prevent the spread of this highly contagious disease. Personnel from the NWC Branch Medical Clinic will be at the Armitage Field's Hangar Three to administer shots from 7:30 to 11 a.m. next Thursday and Friday, Oct. 29-30. Personnel

who miss the Hangar Three dates should call the clinic at NWC ext. 2911 for information on getting the required shot.
Dependents of active-duty military personnel and retired military members will be able to get shots following Oct. 30. For more information they can call the clinic.



ANOTHER HITCH—Aviation Boatswain's Mate First Class Michael E. Jacquot, a native of Topeka, Kansas, was reenlisted for another three years recently. Assigned to the Hotline as a leading petty officer, the veteran China Lake has been in the Navy since 1975 and at NWC since June of 1984.

NEX sales

Now is the time to fix up the house! During the Home Improvement Sale at the Navy Exchange items needed to get the house into shape will be at reduced prices. Until Sunday, Oct. 25, items like paint (and accessories), Black & Decker tools, metal storage shelves, faucets, heaters, security items, garden items, furniture and Sunset books will be on sale.
All the NEX Snack Bars are featuring a ham and cheese sub, along with a medium coffee, at a special price. Don't forget that there is 10% off of all labor charges on tune ups in the Auto Service Center. Get the cars ready for winter now and save money!

Now is the time to buy class rings with free options on 10 to 14 karat gold. Receive \$20 off selected rings. Be sure to look out for the Navy Exchange's Compare & Save symbol. Enjoy high quality and good value at extremely low prices with the Navy Exchange brand.

The Commissary is offering a special on all Halloween candy. Be sure to stock up for all those witches and goblins!

Before buying Thanksgiving goodies, remember to check out the Commissary's Thanksgiving sale! Laundry supplies are now on sale with a 15% savings at the Commissary. Now is the time to stock up. While in the store, don't forget to register in the In-Store Sweepstake, sponsored by Proctor & Gamble products. Win a VCR, Fisher Price toys or \$150 groceries sweepstake. All prizes will be drawn Nov. 28.

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Soccer players improving

Fourth week of play for the Recreational Services Department Youth Soccer league showed improvement as players began to play as teams.

Division 1
Eagles 0, Owls 0
Despite great hustling by Eagles' Jim Orozco and Thomas Martin and hard play by the Owls' Kenny Melton, Ember Shedlock, Kevin Tostli and Kyle Jensen, neither team could shake the opposition.

Apollos 1, Coyotes 0
Danny Frank, on an excellent pass by Jamie Critchfield, knocked in the only goal. Goalie Joshua Ormerod made three great saves, keeping the Coyotes scoreless. Good kicking and lots of hustle by Ray Hyles, Jason Schweitzer and Steve Lubben couldn't bypass the Apollos' defense.

Express 3, Cobras 1
Brisks plays by Mike Bachman, Barrett Edwards and Birk Roseman and two goals by Pete Greedy and one by Joey Shumway secured the win. Chris Peters' goal and plays by Jeff Robbins and Brian Rosser wasn't enough in the loss.

Rowdies 4, Roadrunners 4
With the Rowdies in the lead, Roadrunners' Blake Harden scored on a pass from Thomas Koelsch and then the score was tied by a goal made by Nathan Mickelson; but the Rowdies recovered and slipped in two more goals.

Bullets 0, Kicks 0
Joey Aguilar, Reed Zamlet, Jamie

Division 2
Sounders 1, Jets 1
Nathan Swanson, as Jets' goalie, literally kept on top of the ball, keeping the Sounders to one goal, made by Jason Ford. Jets' goal was booted in by Robby Tomlinson. Defensive work by Tiffany Austin and Michael Murray kept the Jets from scoring more goals.

Diplomats 3, Roughnecks 1
Passes by Mitchell Fortune, Michael Fortune and Chris Didomenico, along with goals by Danny Hartley, Jason Bowling and Nick Pritchard, ended with a victory. Mitchell Tims' goal and moves by Jeremy Lough, Mark Kuz, Jody Sieg and Philip Nave couldn't save the game.

Cougars 3, Rockets 0
With the last goal as a team effort, and goals by Frank Gamble and Jimmy Haynes, the Rockets didn't have a chance. Kate George and David McCulley did well in the win. Jason Lester, Sean Glasco, Jesse Owen and Chris Potten tried, but couldn't stop the Cougars.

Tornados 2, White Caps 1
A full team effort, with hard playing by everyone, won the game. Niel Covington and Vasken Haroutunian kicked in the winning goals. Mike Ross' goal, assisted by Mike Hobson, and good goal work by Daniel Kelling and Neal Underwood couldn't turn the tide in the loss.

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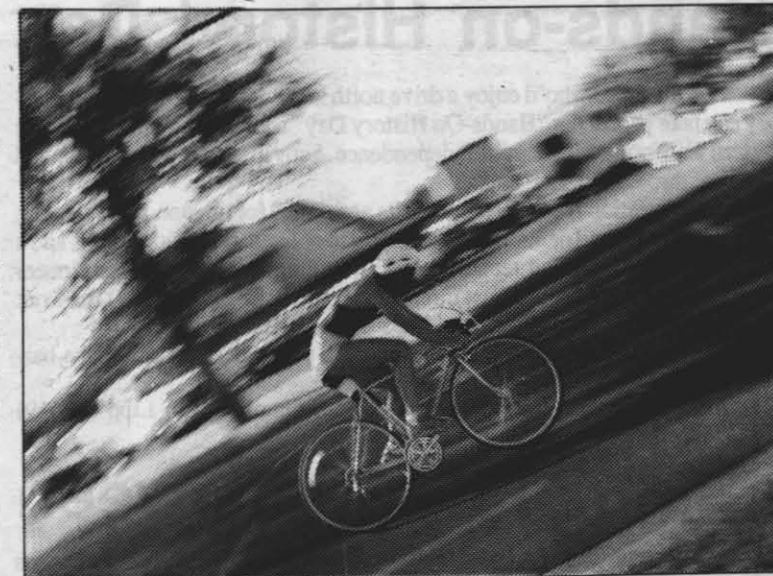
Rugg and John Read played great but could not slip one by the Kicks.

Division 3
Strikers 9, Sockers 1
Goalies Mike Schuchman and Paul LeBlanc were credited with five saves each in the win. Goals by Mike Frederick and Damon Kelling, two each, and one goal apiece by Josh Rogge, Howard Gamble, Avak Haroutunian, Schuchman and Holly Staab made this game a slaughter.

Division 4
Fury 4, Whitecaps 1
Kris Wagner, who had five shots at goal and made two, and Doug Banks and Steve Lundwall, who each made a shot at goal, tipped the scale in the win. Tim Seufert and Amy Becker led a strong defensive effort and Mike Graves scored an exciting goal in the defeat.

Rougues 1, Whitecaps 1
In a hard fought game, good goal tending by John Hayes and a goal by Scott Ross, assisted by Jonathan Rae, wasn't enough to offset the Rougues. Rougues' Mike Leary and Tim Seufert played well in this exciting game, but Mike Graves' lone goal wasn't good enough to break the tie.

Fury 2, Rougues 1
Hard work by the entire team, a special effort by Jason Davis and goals by Doug Banks and Aaron Schwartz resulted in victory. Outstanding play by Larry Flores and Brendan Weimholt, along with a goal by Scott Ross, still resulted in a defeat.



HOT CONTEST—Action in last Sunday's mini-triathlon sponsored by the NWC Recreational Services Department included close contests in the three events. A bike rider seems to be really turning on the power in this photograph. Photo by PHAN Cary Brady



Net action a big draw Fly fishing class

More than 100 entrants took part in the 1987 Gary Haugen Memorial Tennis Tournament last weekend. Sponsored by the China Lake Tennis Club, the annual event drew players from Mammoth, Bishop, Palmdale, LaCanada and the Indian Wells Valley.

Rex Ribultan defeated Mick Rindt, 6-2, 6-0 to win the men's A Division singles title. The women's A Division title went to Stacy Werthman who stopped Shanna Packer, 6-3, 6-1 in the title match.

In doubles, the team of Linda Duncan and Mary Alvarado edged the duo of Valerie Needham and Virginia Wirtz, 6-4, 6-7, 6-4 for the women's title. Men's doubles were won by Dick Boyd and Walt Gromada who defeated Daryl Moline and David Hazlewood, 6-6, 6-7, 6-4. And, in mixed-doubles play, the championship went to the team of Rex Ribultan and Suzanne Haney as they easily stopped the twosome of Brett Halpin and Linda Lou Crosby, 6-4, 6-2.

Singles play found Brian Alexander defeating Adel Nepomuceno for the men's B Division and Ron Flentye edging Phil Sellers for the C Division titles. In women's play, Jess Schwarzkopf eliminated Maria McBride for the B Division title. Also, Kay Sellers defeated Shannon Grant to capture the C Division crown.

Techniques in fly fishing will be the focus of the fall fishing class offered by the Aguabonita Flyfishers starting Tuesday, Oct. 27.

The class will cover equipment, casting, knots, flies, reading the

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Classes will be held at Grace Lutheran Church starting at 7 p.m. The first meeting will be an overview of the class. For additional information please call 375-5810.

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Improved service remains rec council's goal

Exploring the ways and means of improving the services of NWC's Recreational Services Department is the main purpose of the Recreation Council. The council serves as an advisory group to Capt. John Burt, Center Commander, and the Recreational Services Department. During the monthly meetings with department management, the council examines new program opportunities, discusses facility possibilities, identi-

fies equipment deficiencies and explores funding possibilities. Each tenant command is entitled to a representative and one alternate at council meetings. The Test and Evaluation Directorate, Support Directorate, Laboratory Directorate and the Office of Finance and Management are represented at the council by one representative and one alternate each. Appointed by Command, the council's chairperson is Assistant Public

Works Officer Cdr. Kenneth Galer. People who have complaints about the Recreation Services Department, or who have ideas for new programs or resolution of current problems, are encouraged to contact the department office or recreational program managers. However, if this is not possible, or the problem isn't solved, the Recreation Council may be of assistance.

Complaints and/or suggestions brought to council members will be discussed at the next Recreation Council meeting.

Current council members are: Cdr. Kenneth Galer (Chairperson), Code 26A, NWC ext. 3411/201; PNSD T. Kornucik, PSD, NWC ext. 2650; Lt. H. Fulks, Code 2107, NWC ext. 2165;

NCCM G. Schultz, VX-5, NWC ext. 5202; ABCM L. Duysen, Code 009, NWC ext. 5083; HM1 J. Lynn, Code 232, NWC ext. 2911; G. Smith, Code 02A1, NWC ext. 3411/225; L. Riddoch, Code 3902, NWC ext. 3850; and K. Becker, Code 6102, NWC ext. 5405.

Good fishing until the end

Fishing in the Owens Valley has been wonderful and is expected to continue to be extremely good through the end of the season (Saturday, Oct. 31) because the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power has reduced use of the aqueduct for repairs on it and there's extra water available.

Good fishing in the Owens River is expected to last until at least mid

November (the river itself is open from Pleasant Valley Reservoir south to Owens Lake year round), but the aqueduct closes to fishing at the end of next week.

At Lake Isabella, fishing has been relatively slow. About the only fish being caught are trout, although the ones being taken are up to 2 pounds. Best bet is to fish near the main and auxiliary dams, Kissack Cove, and Tilly Creek and the Wofford Heights area.

The Kern River is being planted with trout every two weeks, both above and below the lake. Fishing

there is also year-round.

In the Owens Valley, California Department of Fish and Game personnel will continue to plant large numbers of broodstock trout in roadside streams. These fish, at least a pound each, will make fishing a little more interesting in this last week of the general trout season.

Some of the areas in the eastern Sierra region that will close to fishing after Oct. 31 include such noted hot spots as Crowley Lake, Hot Creek, Rush Creek, Gull Lake and the East Walker River. Anglers will be unable to tap into those waters until the last Saturday of April, 1988.

Scorps: Under-19 sweeps

Boosting their record to 7-0 this fall, the under-19 Scorpion soccer squad ripped the Bakersfield Inferno on Saturday, 3-0. A win or a tie in either of their two final games (set tomorrow in Bakersfield) will give the Golden Empire Soccer League title to the Scorps.

Last week, the Scorps got their first goal, all they really needed, from Jim Caves early in the game. Chris Johnson notched the second tally for the winners and Ted Armstrong picked up the final point with a nice assist on a cross by Johnson. Matt Ziegler didn't score, but his several shots on goal kept the Inferno goalie on his toes.

Tomorrow's games in Bakersfield will pit the Scorps against the Blues Brothers at 9:30 a.m. and the Inferno at 1 p.m.

Under-16 splits

In a doubleheader last Saturday, the Scorps' under-16 team ended their home season with a win and a tie against the Bakersfield Revolution. The Scorps will close regular season play tomorrow (Saturday) facing the Roughnecks and the Sting in Bakersfield at West High.

In the first game, the under-16 Scorps came from a 2-0 deficit to capture a 3-2 victory. A first half goal by Ted Mechtenberg kept the Scorps close until the team could really get rolling in the second half of play. Two goals by Mike Kinne, with assists from Aaron Moore and David Caraker spelled victory from the home team.

Both teams were tied in the second game. The Revolution scored first and held the 1-0 lead until the 60-minute mark in the contest. A penalty kick by Brednan Leddan knotted the score at 1-1.

Under-14 falls

With a 3-2 loss at the hands of the Bakersfield Inferno, the under-14 Scorpion soccer team dropped to a 2-4 overall record. The team has eight games remaining on the schedule.

The second half saw the Scorpion rally and dominate play most of the half. Chris Marshall scored first on a free kick. Charles Eberhart took advantage of confusion in front of the Inferno goal to make it a 3-2 game.

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THIS IS A SKIPPER—A father explains some of the workings of a mock-up Skipper missile in Michelson Laboratory during the NWC Birthday celebration.

FASINATED—A couple of youngsters keep a close watch on the fins of a Sidewinder model during Saturday's NWC Birthday celebration.

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(Continued from Page 1) interactive graphics and giving young and old a chance at a hands-on experience with the equipment. Visitors also saw a model of a Sidewinder missile doing a tracking demonstration, a demonstration of metric and high-speed video and a display on the High Speed Anti-Radiation Missile (HARM). The Weapons Department and Aerosystems Departments gave people an opportunity to look at and even touch

components of systems developed or under development here. Of course, young and old enjoy static displays of many of the aircraft used to fulfill the Naval Weapons Center's mission. The Public Works Department brought a massive crane and a portable sign shop to the parking lot. The Range Department added displays of equipment used to gather data about tests and the Geothermal Program Office had a display on development of the Coso Geothermal Area.

SHADY SPOT—This young girl found the F/A-18 Hornet's shadow a great place to put her chair while waiting for her parents.

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