

Community Events

Xmas lunch planned

Christmas music will highlight the Tuesday, Dec. 8, lunch meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess. The social hour begins at 11 a.m., with lunch at 11:30 and the program at 12:30 p.m. Harriet Wood, a harpist, and Richard Weatherby, a flutist, will perform a program of "Around the World with our Customs of Christmas" tracing the origins of these customs, their meaning and music. Menu for the day includes Christmas crepes, cranberry molded salad, and Hawaiian rolls. The program is limited to members of WACOM and their guests; reservations are required and must be made by Thursday, Dec. 3. Reservations can be made by telephoning Elaine Jenne at 377-5229 or Pat Hazen at 375-9376.

'Santa' breakfast set

Children of all ages can enjoy having breakfast with Santa on both Saturday, Dec. 12, and Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Enlisted Mess. Breakfast will be served from 9:30 a.m. until noon, with Santa arriving at 10 a.m. Tickets can be purchased at the new Youth Center office Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost of the special event is \$2.75 for children up to 11, and \$3.75 for anyone aged 12 and over. The menu is scrambled eggs, bacon, a biscuit, hash brown potatoes, orange juice, milk, and, for adults, coffee. A "Breakfast with Santa" button is included for all children. Photos with Santa will also be available at \$1.50 each. Further information can be obtained by telephoning NWC ext. 2909.

Mugs make good gift

NWC mugs with the new logo are available at the Craft/Hobby Shop for only \$3 each. These make excellent gifts for friends, family and co-workers as well as making a perfect "present to yourself" when you feel unappreciated or that you need a reward.

Movies

FRI-SAT. NOV. 27-28
"THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS"
 Starring Timothy Dalton and Joe Don Baker (Action Adventure, rated PG, 131 min.)
SUN. NOV. 29
"THE AMERICAN NINJA II, THE CONFRONTATION"
 Starring Michael Dudikoff and Steve James (Action, rated R, 90 min.)
WED. DEC. 2
"THE ADVENTURES IN BABYSITTING"
 Starring Elisabeth Shue and Keith Coogan (Comedy, rated PG-13, 102 min.)
FRI. DEC. 4
"NO WAY OUT"
 Starring Kevin Costner and Gene Hackman (Thriller, rated R, 114 min.)
 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

Weather Report

	Max	Min	Peak Gusts
Thurs.	71	28	07 knots
Fri.	69	29	29 knots
Sat.	66	36	10 knots
Sun.	65	31	10 knots
Mon.	66	29	10 knots
Tues.	64	28	31 knots

All measurements are made at Armitage Airfield.

NIS agents play important role in security—P-3

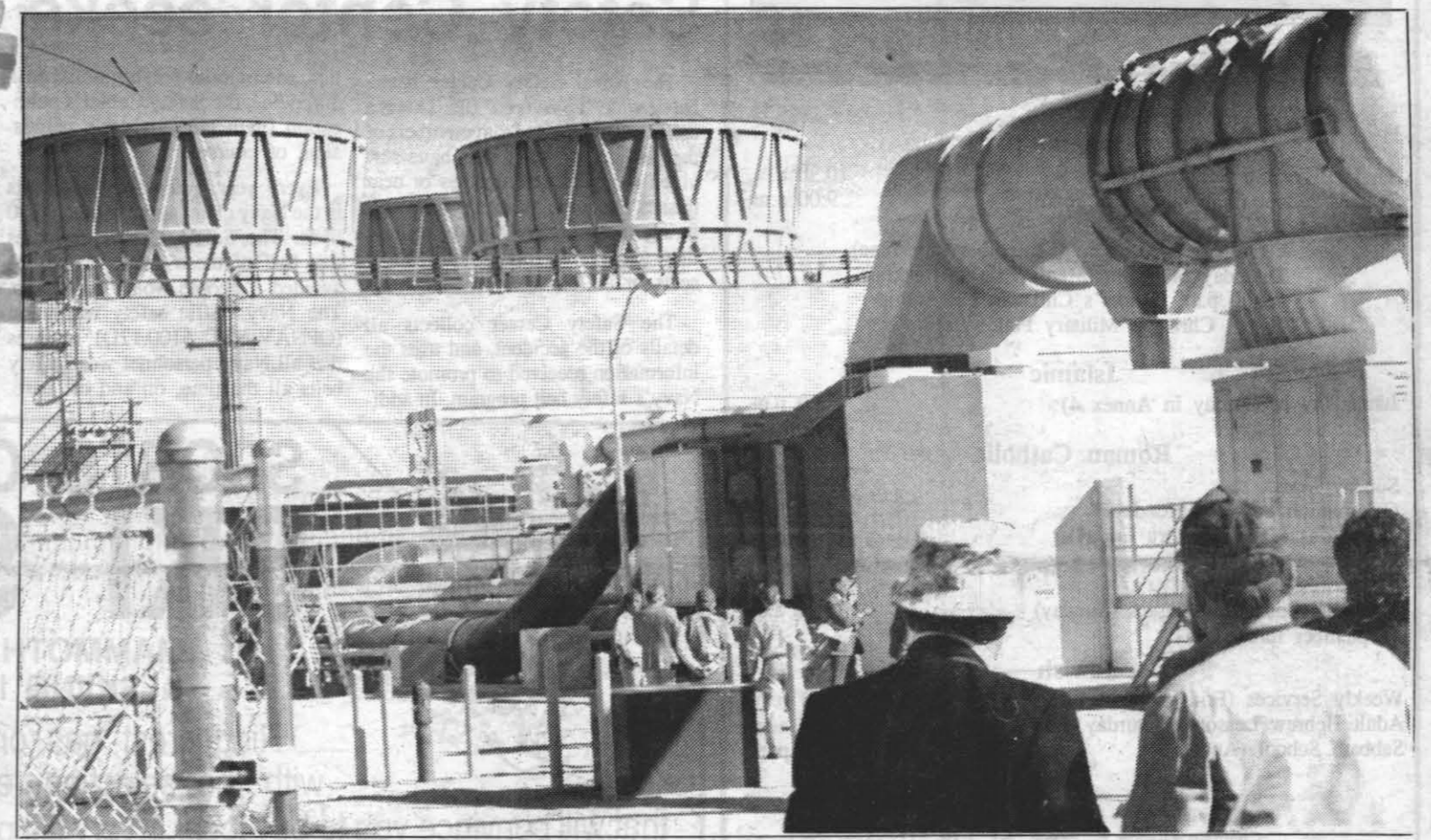
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NWC Rocketeer

Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California 93555-6001 Vol. XLII, No. 47/November 27, 1987

Navy dedicates Coso Geothermal Plant One

Last Thursday marked the formal dedication and ribbon cutting of Navy Geothermal Plant One, Unit One at the Naval Weapons Center. It is a project that, as Keith Eastin, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Shipbuilding and Logistics) said "is going to grow and become a model for other such projects in the United States." Secretary Eastin was the principal guest speaker at dedication ceremonies that attracted more than 600 visitors to the Coso Geothermal Site. He noted this project was an example of using private funding to develop a resource that might not have been possible using appropriated funds. It shows, he added, public and private joint ventures can work. In his remarks, Secretary Eastin said it was eight years ago the Navy entered into a unique kind of contract arrangement...one requiring the contractor to assume all the risks and funding of development. A development, he noted, which will save the Navy half a billion dollars over the next 20 years.



TOURS—Following dedication ceremonies last Thursday, many of the more than 600 visitors to the Coso Geothermal Plant were given tours of the U.S. Navy's first operational geothermal facility.

For raw geothermal energy to be harnessed at the Naval Weapons Center the project had to meet several criteria, said Eastin. It had to: protect the NWC mission, reduce NWC's operating costs and be a source of alternative energy. Coso meets those requirements fully. Dr. Carl Austins, who heads NWC's Geothermal Program Office, was joined by Charles C. Condy, chairman and CEO of California Energy, in reflecting on the Coso project. Austin said he first thought about tapping nature's energy source in the 1940s. The Coso Project clearly fell into four phases, noted Dr. Austin. "Phase One, convincing myself had a good exploitable geothermal resource to explore (1942-1964). Phase Two, convincing Command that Coso had a good, exploitable resource that should be explored for the benefit of the Navy (1964-1977). Phase Three, becoming a legitimate station activity and becoming legal with congressional action (1977-1979). And, Phase Four, implementation, from 1979 to now." The project leader said of implementation, "we wrote a contract and then we found a contractor—and let me point out, writing a contract you expect to last 30 years is a real challenge. Our 30-year contract plus a new 10-year add on option is a sentence or a marriage; we had better figure out (Continued on Page 14)

DOD honors PW Officer

RAdm. Ives makes presentation to Capt. Ken Kelley

With a former Naval Weapons Center Public Works Officer doing the honors, Capt. Ken Kelley, Center PW Officer, was presented the Defense Superior Service Medal last week. RAdm. Jon Ives, Deputy Commander for Public Works Centers, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, made the presentation as Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, Capt. Paul Valovich, NWC Chief Staff Officer and many others looked on. At NWC for the dedication of the geothermal power plant as well as the award ceremony, RAdm. Ives said he

was glad to be here and called it a "real pleasure" to make the presentation. Capt Burt called it a significant award for exceptional performance. "Things like this don't happen because of your performance, they happen because of the performance of the staff working with you," commented Capt. Kelley after receiving the award. The Defense Superior Service Medal is given for "exceptionally meritorious service for the Armed Forces of the United States." Capt. Kelley's certificate was signed by Caspar Weinberger, who recently

stepped down as Secretary of Defense. "Capt. Kelley masterfully managed the many engineering related programs throughout the Pacific while providing comprehensive, accurate and thoroughly staffed policy recommendations to the Commander-in-Chief Pacific," read the citation to accompany the award. The citation also singled out Capt. Kelley for "meticulous coordination with unified commands, service commands, service components and Washington agencies."

The citation also noted his skillful leadership, extensive knowledge, dynamic professionalism and devotion to duty contributed directly to the success of the facilities engineering support mission to enhance the war footing ability of the Pacific Command. He was serving as Chief, Facilities Engineering Division, Logistics Security Assistance Directorate, Headquarters, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Command from January, 1985 to June of this year when he earned the medal.

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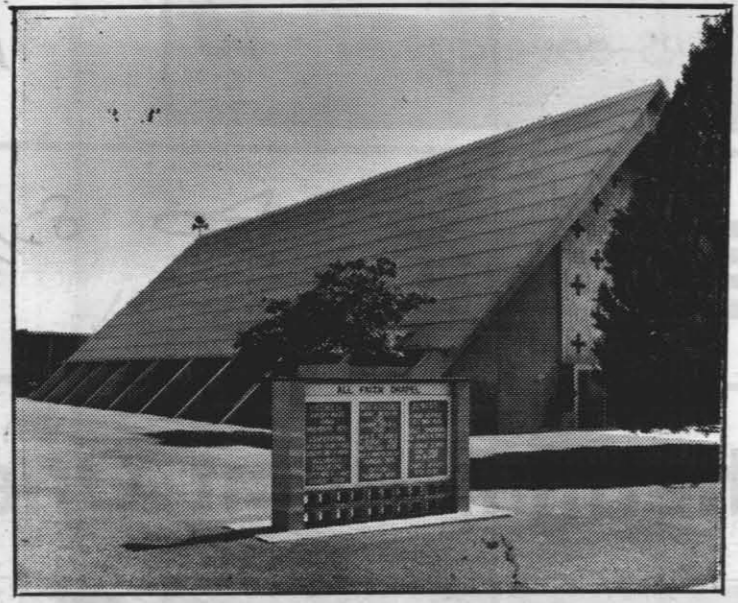
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 Thursday 6:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
 7:00 p.m. Officer's Christian Fellowship
 Christian Military Fellowship

Islamic
 Jumaa Prayer (Friday in Annex 4) 12:00 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.
 Religious Education Classes (Sunday) 10:30 a.m.
 (September thru May)

Jewish
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NWC's Wellness Corner

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- Try wrapping each cigarette with a sheet of paper like a Christmas present. Whenever you want a cigarette, write down what you are doing and how you feel before unwrapping the cigarette. Do this for two weeks and you'll gain a new insight into your smoking.
- Make a short list of luxuries you want or items you'd like to buy for someone you love; then write down the cost of each. Now convert the cost to "packs of cigarettes," and figure how soon you'll be able to make the purchase by not buying cigarettes, and put the money away each time you don't buy the cigarettes.
- Always wait at least three minutes before smoking when the urge hits you.
- Don't stock up on cigarettes. Never buy by the carton. Wait until one pack is finished before you buy another.
- Take a shower. You can't smoke in the shower.
- Bet with someone that you can quit. Put the cigarette money into a jar each morning and forfeit it if you smoke.

•If the cost of cigarettes is your motivation for quitting, buy a money order equivalent to a year's supply of cigarettes. Give it to a friend. If you smoke in the next year, he gets to cash the money order and keep the money. If you don't smoke, you get the money back.

Those who need a little more help in quitting are encouraged to sign up for fresh start smoking cessation classes offered through the Training Center (Code 094). More information about these can be obtained by telephoning NWC ext. 2686.

Self help kits are also available from Betty Miller (Code 02A3), NWC ext. 2437.

Safety Center seeks survivors

The Naval Safety Center has a Navy-wide "I Survived" file. This is a collection of stories from members of the Navy community who have survived motor vehicle crashes or near misses and were protected from suffering more serious injury because they used safety belts, child safety seats or air bags.

The Safety Center collects all details of the accident, and uses the information received to promote the Navy's safety belt program. In addition, some stories will be published in *Safetyline*, the Safety Center's publication (with the survivor's permission, of course).

Every year, automobile accidents in the Navy claim approximately 130 lives. The Safety Center estimates that half of these deaths would be avoided if people would buckle up. The Navy traffic safety regulation (OPNAVINST 5100.12D) requires that all Navy personnel wear safety belts all the time, on and off base.

People wishing to share their story will be recognized by RAdm. D. T. Schwaab, Commander, Naval Safety Center, and will become a member of the elite "I Survived" club. A special certificate will be awarded to each person who qualifies. The Staff at the Naval Safety Center collects and reviews each application.

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The Skipper Sez...

QUESTION

Civilian employee — I live on base and I am very pleased that the hours of operation at the Richmond Road gate were extended on a permanent basis. The extended hours have proven to be a great convenience to me. With the onset of fall, and earlier sunsets, I am concerned about safety when approaching the gate to go on Center. Essentially out in the middle of no place, it gets VERY dark out there. The guard house is well lit, as well as the immediate area surrounding the guard house. However, the approach to the gate isn't lit at all. When cars extinguish their headlights when approaching the gate, the only source of illumination is gone. I think this is a potentially dangerous situation, especially with the road curving up to the gate. A single or multiple street light along the approach would alleviate the problem. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

ANSWER

Thank you for your comment concerning the situation at the back gate. Upon inspection, it was discovered that there is no sign indicating the proper location to secure your headlights when approaching the gate. Headlights are secured so the security guards at the different gates on Center can accurately view the vehicle's sticker on the bumper. Some people when approaching the various gates secure their lights much too early, and as a result, drive the remainder of the way to the gate in total darkness. The sign requesting you to "TURN OFF HEADLIGHTS HERE" will be located within the area covered by the present lighting installed at the Richmond gate. So remember, whenever you approach the various gates on Center, please secure your headlights at the point indicated by the sign as your approach the guard. You are not expected to drive in the dark. Thank you for your concern.

QUESTION

I was just have a question concerning the prices of the drink vending machines here on base. I have noticed that cans of soda pop out here at NWC are 50 cents. If you go down to Pt. Mugu, they are only 40 cents. I wondered if there was a reason for this significant increase of money over Pt. Mugu. Thank you.

ANSWER

The retail price per 12 oz. canned soda on vending machines went up to 50 cents on all resale activities throughout the San Diego region. Our prices at China Lake increased from 45 cents to 50 cents effective August 16, although actual changes on all vending machines were not completed until the end of August. At Pt. Mugu, their retail price went up from 40 cents to 50 cents effective September 22.

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.

Naval Investigative Service plays vital role

Seven Naval Investigative Service agents are now allocated to the Resident Agency located at the Naval Weapons Center. Of these, one is a specialist in investigating fraud, waste and abuse, two are general criminal investigators (with one of the two specializing in drug investigation) and the other four assignments are in the field of counterintelligence.

Even this does not fully cover the range of work in which NIS agents can specialize, because another group deals with technical services (generally being electronics specialists), and a fifth group has taken training to be able to administer and interpret polygraphs (lie detectors).

In January 1983, the Naval Investigative Service became the program and policy manager for law enforcement and physical security in the Department of the Navy. To accomplish this task, the agents work in close coordination with various DOD and civilian law enforcement groups and agencies.

Fraud, waste and abuse cases under investigation range from a major contractor not providing goods or services to meet contractual obligations to such individual offenses as filing false travel claims. Generally, the results of such cases are not reported until a court has ruled - and sometimes not then. What is uncovered during one investigation may indicate additional criminal activity that will be looked into. General criminal investigations cover any illegal activity involving Navy personnel, military or civilian. This runs the gamut of human problems, from theft to murder. At China Lake, one of the two agents assigned to criminal investigation spends most of his time in the war against drugs. According to him, the major drug



CONGRATULATIONS—RAdm. Jon Ives sented the Defense Superior Service Medal for his work while attached to the NWC Public Works Officer, while Linda Commander, U.S. Pacific Command. Kelley looks on. Capt. Kelley was pre- Photo by PHAN Cary Brady

CFC ends '88 campaign today

As this year's Combined Federal Campaign entered its last week — a total of \$190,624 had been turned in by key personnel from the Center's departments and tenant activities.

"I'm very pleased with the response to this campaign," said Jim Bowen, Deputy Support Director, who is one of this year's campaign coordinators, "and with the exceptional efforts put out by Dr. Jim Stanford, representing the Principal Combined Fund Organization for this year's CFC, and of the key people who have contacted everyone on board to give each person the oppor-

portunity to take part. China Lakers have always been known for their generosity and concern for others." With the campaign ending today, all key personnel are urged to pick up the remaining pledge cards and turn these in promptly so that final tallies can be made.

Hiring freeze in place

As of last Friday, the Department of the Navy has imposed a temporary freeze on the hiring of new civilian personnel. This includes the Naval Weapons Center.

The freeze is in line with the management-payroll requirements and will be in effect at least until such time as appropriations for the upcoming year have been established.

In addition to complying with this freeze, all DON components are also asked to reduce overtime and temporary help.

problem locally is methamphetamine. "They are relatively easy to manufacture," he notes, "and the profit is great. An ounce of meth goes for about \$1,000, but, by the time it is sold in the standard 1/4 ounce dose, the profit to the dealer runs \$1,800."

He feels many of the users don't realize the potential harm of methamphetamine because the belief is that they are not physically addicting. "They are psychologically very addictive," the agent says, "with users tending to become quite paranoid." An overdose of the drug can cause hallucinations, convulsion and/or death.

Cocaine abuse in the Indian Wells Valley varies, the agent reports, depending on availability of the drug since it needs to be imported. The amount of marijuana available is down, he says, and heroin use now mainly is by former users. Counterintelligence work on the

Center is less visible than other NIS functions, but no less present.

Counterintelligence specialists, for instance, brief Center travelers (both those traveling on Navy business and those vacationing) who go to a variety of foreign nations. Personnel who will be headed overseas can also get briefings on how to avoid becoming a target for terrorism. Agents also are specialists in physical security - in how to protect vital information from being compromised, either accidentally or deliberately.

To handle such a variety of tasks, the Naval Investigative Service agents need a very diversified background. Meeting such a need is that they do not come from any one discipline: agents are selected from graduates of four-year college programs with any type of major.

In addition to the degree requirement, a potential agent, man or

woman, needs to pass a rigorous screening and pass physical requirements. All new agents must be between 21 and 35 when they enter NIS; as federal law enforcement officers, they must retire at age 55, so even one entering at 35 can still complete 20 years of service before retirement.

A new NIS agent spends three months at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Georgia, and then spends the rest of the probationary year in on-the-job and specialized training.

At any one time about 30 percent of the agent corps is assigned overseas or afloat. During the course of a career, the agent averages six assignments in six different locations; he or she can expect that two of these will be overseas, primarily on military bases.

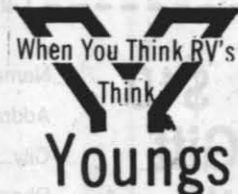
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China Lake Police Reports

A vehicle in the Michelson Laboratory parking lot backed into another vehicle that was unoccupied.

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The driver of a Navy vehicle lost control of the vehicle at the G-2 centerline area. The vehicle rolled on its side, resulting in moderate damage to the vehicle.

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China Lake's Fire Division personnel cleaned up the spill when a vehicle parked in the Michelson Laboratory parking lot leaked gasoline.

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No drivers were involved in a traffic accident that was reported at the Harpoon parking lot. A parked motorcycle fell over and hit a car.

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An illegally parked vehicle in the west parking lot of Michelson Laboratory was towed away.

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A vehicle backing in the area south of Building 20030 hit an illegally parked vehicle.

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During a routine stop at Post 14, the driver of one car was found to be driving without a license.

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When a man's dog was hit by a hit-and-run driver on Saratoga Avenue, the dog's owner gave chase, caught the driver, put him under citizen's

Pick safe toys for Xmas

According to the song, it's Santa Claus who's making a list and checking it twice. That's good advice for any gift list — check it twice to make sure the toys on it are safe and age-appropriate.

Play is children's work — and like all workers, they deserve safe tools. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, 113,000 people were treated last year for injuries involving toys — 95,000 of them under 15.

Under a law passed in 1969, the commission can ban potentially hazardous toys. Responsible toy manufacturers have established voluntary safety standards. However, unsafe toys do get in the market, and there may be a delay before they are banned.

In addition, while a toy may be safe for an older child, it can be dangerous to a younger one. Almost any product can be dangerous when misused. Therefore, the first responsibility for toy safety lies with the parent or guardian. It's as important to supervise children at play and to teach them safety rules as it is to select safe toys.

Here are some more pointers from safety and child-development experts:

- Read labels when shopping for toys. The age-recommendation label can help you choose a toy that is safe and appropriate for your child's age. For example, children under three should not have toys with parts small enough to swallow. And while a four-year-old may not swallow the parts of a construction set designed for an eight-year-old, it may be too difficult for him. That can be more frustrating than fun.
- Other labels to look for are "Flame retardant/Flame resistant" on fabrics and "Washable/hygienic materials" on stuffed toys and dolls.
- Look for durable, high-quality toys that will not break in normal use. A broken toy can become dangerous — not to mention frustrating and disappointing to the child. Either repair broken toys or throw them away.
- Most of the 22 toy-related fatalities reported in 1985 involved choking. Although the law bans new toys with parts small enough to be put in the mouth for children under three, it's a good idea to perform a simple test. Touch the tip of your thumb to the tip of your index finger. If the toy can pass through this opening, your baby can swallow it. Older toys can break into parts small enough to be swallowed or become lodged in a child's windpipe, ears or nose. More children have suffocated on uninflated or broken balloons than on any other type of toy — so safety experts recommend against giving balloons to children under three.
- Older children should keep their toys with small pieces away from the baby.
- Toys with long cords or strings can wrap around the necks of children under three, causing strangulation. Never hang toys with long strings in cribs or playpens in which children can become entangled. Infants' crib gyms should be taken down once the child can pull himself up on his hands and knees.
- By Evelyn D. Harris
American Forces Information Service
- Keep young children on riding toys away from the stairs and the street.
- The government now severely limits the amount of lead in toy paint. But if you're giving a young child a treasured toy from your own childhood, make sure it has no lead paint.
- Toys with sharp glass and metal edges or with sharp points or prongs are prohibited by law for children under eight. However, older toys may break, exposing sharp edges. Older stuffed toys may have wires that could cut or stab a child if exposed.
- Propelled objects and projectiles, such as toy rockets, can injure the eyes. Children should never play with adult lawn darts — and adults should never play lawn darts around young children. Arrows or darts for children should have secure cork or suction cup tips. Avoid toys that might be capable of firing objects not intended for use in the toy, such as pencils or nails.
- Loud noises not only get on parents' nerves — they can cause hearing loss in children. Toy caps and other noisemaking guns are required to carry the following warnings: "Do not fire closer than one foot to the ear. Do not use indoors." Teach your children to heed these warnings — and tell them why that's important.
- Electric toys with heating elements are not appropriate for children under eight. Battery-operated electric toys tend to be safer than the plug-in type.
- Children should store toys where they can't be stepped on when they are not playing with them. Toys intended for older children, such as chemistry sets, should be stored where younger ones can't get to them.

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Survey to determine interest

This is a survey to determine the level of interest at NWC in attending the following video conferences via satellite. These conferences are capable of being received by the Ku-Band satellite dish located at the Training Center. If sufficient interest exists, Code 094 will obtain subscriptions to receive the broadcasts and more detailed information will be published in future "NWC Announcements."

Please complete the survey sheet below and mark the video conferences you are interested in seeing. Return the completed survey sheet to Vicki Munro, Code 094, no later than December 4.

SATELLITE VIDEO CONFERENCE SURVEY

TO: Code 094

FROM: _____, Code _____
Name (Please include if you want to be on a mailing list.)

I am interested in the following video conferences:

TITLE	DATES/HOURS	SOURCE
___ADA Software Technology	Dec. 15-16 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	AMCEE-Grady Booch
___Computer Security	Jan. 12-13 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	Univ. of Maryland Virgil D. Gligor
___Signal Processing By Higher Order Crossings	Jan. 21 8 a.m.-2 p.m.	Univ. of Maryland Dr. Benjamin Kedem
___Practical Applications of Artificial Intelligence	Feb. 18 9 a.m.-noon	I.E.E.E.: Elaine Rich, M.C.A. Bill Blake, D.E.C. Sandra Marcus, BOEING Robin Steele, N.C.R.
___Microprocessors, Microcontrollers and ASICS	Mar. 23	TBD
___Solid State Lasers	May 4	TBD
___Photonic Switching	Sept. 22	TBD
___Superconductive Materials	Oct. 20	TBD
___Supercomputers	Dec. 7	TBD

I understand this is an interest survey only. I must officially enroll at a later date, when selected conferences are announced.

Image and self-projection class

There are still some spaces available in the **IMAGE AND SELF-PROJECTION FOR PROFESSIONAL WOMEN** seminar being sponsored by NWC's Training Center.

This course is a great "perk" for employees. It is being held on the Flight Deck at Heritage Inn on Wednesday, December 9, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and is being given by Career Track.

The objectives of the course are: Think about the "first impression" you make with your appearance and bearing, how you talk and present your ideas, the way you deal with superiors and coworkers and your behavior in a crisis.

Be honest. Is your professional image really helping you? Now it can. At "Image and Self-Projection for Professional Women" you will learn the secrets behind the professional "style" and personal power of today's most successful women. You will get a chance to clear your head, take a breath and turn your undivided attention to your own career progress. Many of the skills you gain will surprise you with their freshness.

Learn to project a more appealing professional image, build your personal power, work more effectively with men, stand up to conflict with more confidence and communicate with greater impact.

For more information, or to enroll in this course, call NWC ext. 2686 by close of business December 3. Follow up the enrollment with NWC Form 12410/73 via department channels to Code 094.

Registration set for Cerro Coso

(Continued from Page 20)

Coso Community College for the first time during the spring semester will be required to attend an orientation session and take a placement exam. Only students with an Associates degree or higher, or those individuals enrolling in classes with no prerequisites, are not required to attend.

To schedule a placement exam, students should call the Student Services Center at 375-5001 at ext. 219.

Uptown Image Salon & Boutique

VERY MERRY SPECIALS

Three soldering classes planned

One 40-hour high-reliability soldering course will be held from November 30 through December 4 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 543 Graaf Street.

Two additional 40-hour high-reliability soldering courses will be held from December 14 through 18 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 543 Graaf Street and Building 00459, Dorm 10.

The 40-hour high-reliability soldering course is for government personnel needing certification to WS-6536. The requirements for the course are (1) previous soldering experience and (2) a current eye examination.

To be scheduled into a class, contact the Soldering Technology Branch, Code 36814, 446-5571.

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Cal-State Chico Computer Science courses

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To enroll in these classes, submit a Training Request & Authorization Form (NAVWPNCEN 12410/73) via department channels to Code 094. Registration will be held at the first class meeting. Deadline for enrolling is 10 calendar days before the starting date of the class.

CSCI 152: Operating Systems Programming (3 units)

January 26-May 20, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1400-1515 (via satellite), Training Center. By Professor Robert Britton, CSUC.

Prerequisite: CSCI 280: Digital Logic Design Theory or equivalent.

Scope: The application of digital logic design theory and techniques to the construction of digital computer systems. Typical topics studied with the objective learning how they can be implemented in hardware are: 1) Recently introduced Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC) architectures; 2) System buses; 3) Hierarchical memory systems consisting of cache memory and virtual memory; and 4) Parallel processing systems (e.g., the Transputer).

Text: TBA

CSCI 153: Theory of Computing (3 units)

January 9-10, February 6-7, and March 5-6; Saturdays and Sundays, 0800-1600; Training Center. By Professor Melody Duncan,

CSUC.
Prerequisite: CSCI 151: Algorithms and Data Structures or equivalent.
Scope: This course first covers formal descriptions of computers, languages and programs, then investigates correctness, behavior and complexity. Topics include formal grammars and the associated automata, unsolvable problems, recursive functions and post systems.

Text: TBA

CSCI 273: Data Base Management (3 units)

March 12-13, April 9-10, May 7-8; Saturdays and Sundays, 0800-1600; Training Center. By Professor Seung Bae Im, CSUC.

Prerequisite: CSCI 151: Algorithms and Data Structures or equivalent.

Scope: An introduction to data base management systems. Storage structures, data-definition languages and data-manipulation languages for relational, hierarchical and network approaches to data base management.

Text: TBA

CSCI 310: Software Metrics and Control (3 units)

March 19-20, April 23-24, June 4-5; Saturdays and Sundays,

0800-1600; Training Center. By Professor George Arnovick, CSUC.
Prerequisite: CSCI 210: Software Engineering or CSCI 270: Systems Design or equivalent.
Scope: Software development: planning, cost estimation and control. Software metrics, configuration management and quality controls. Reviews and walkthroughs.
Text: TBA

Text: TBA

BEH. SCI. 477: Computer's Impact on Society (5 quarter units)

January 13-March 16, Wednesdays, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Ross, CSB.

Prerequisite: A previous course in computer science.

Scope: The social impact of computers and related systems upon people and the environment. Exposure to state of the art studies for data banks, privacy, leisure, urban and rural planning, public administration, the environment, modeling, simulation, etc. Social responsibilities of the computer scientist and the layman.

Note: This is a required course for the BSCS degree through CSUC. This course also serves as a general education course for BSCS students.

Registration set at Cerro Coso College

December 1 is the beginning date for early registration for spring semester at Cerro Coso Community College.

Continuing students may register December 1 thru 3 from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and on December 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students must have an appointment to register on these dates.

New students may register December 7 and 8 from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. New students must attend an orientation session to register on these dates.

Early registration appointments will be taken on November 24, 25 and 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Room 233 of the main building. Students can also call 375-5001 on these dates and ask for the appointment desk to schedule an early registration appointment time.

Regular registration begins January 11. To schedule an appointment during the regular registration time call for a registration appointment.

Continuing students may register with an appointment on January 11 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Both new and continuing students may register on January 13 and 14 between 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. with an appointment.

Open registration is January 18 from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Appointments are not necessary.

All new students attending Cerro (Continued on Page 21)

MIP Office encourages new ideas at NWC

Model Installation Program Initiatives (MIPs) are new and innovative ideas submitted by China Lakers that focus on the elimination of impediments prohibiting the implementation of better and more effective ways of conducting business or are designed to improve the quality of life.

MIPs can promote management flexibility, delegate increased authority to the Naval Weapons Center Commander, or are ideas to provide an excellent place for our people to work and live while, at the same time, efficiently providing improved services needed by our people to accomplish mission objectives. MIPs represent an opportunity for every employee to contribute to the betterment of their working environment.

On page 12, see the "MIP SCOREBOARD." This shows the status of NWC MIPs as of Friday, Nov. 13. Under the "Approved" category, three "Local Authority" and 58 "Waiver Request" MIPs have been approved for implementation and testing at NWC. All of these MIPs were approved by Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander, and either the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Shipbuilding and Logistics (ASN (S&L)) or the Secretary of Defense (SECDEF).

Presently, for those "Waiver Request" MIPs with a final disposition, NWC's approval rating is 87.9

percent; the best track record in the Navy!!! Why? Because we forward "quality" MIPs that are thoroughly staffed rather than concerning ourselves with the quantity of MIPs forwarded. China Lake takes pride in the fact that we submit ideas that are difficult to disapprove because they are "good" ideas in the first place and have DOD or Navy-wide application.

Our track record in the "Disapproved" category is better than it appears. Out of 303 MIPs submitted to the MIP Office, only 30 have been disapproved by either the NWC Commander, ASN (S&L) or SECDEF; that's only 10 percent—not bad at all! More "Local Authority" MIPs have been disapproved by the Commander because not all MIPs are good ideas. Some are ill-conceived or not properly thought out; that's to be expected. But presently, only 10 percent have

been rejected. Remember, within the Navy, only the ASN (S&L) can disapprove your MIP, or at the DOD-level, only SECDEF can disapprove a MIP.

There are 10 MIPs moving their way up the "chop chain" to the Commander for approval; at the headquarters level, 16 MIPs are still "Pending Final Disposition." One Waiver Request MIP was "Cancelled" by NWC after being forwarded to higher authority for review and approval.

"Resolved Locally" means that the originator of the MIP had satisfactorily received resolution to the problem without taking the MIP to the Commander for final disposition. Reasons for this include misinterpretation of referenced rules, regulations, instructions, policy or public law by the originator of the MIP; authority requested by the MIP has been

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Vampires fete airman

Hard work and constant attention to detail brought Vampire of the Month honors to Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Todd E. Heissenbutel of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5).

Capt. Eric Vanderpoel II, VX-5 Commanding Officer recognized Airman Heissenbutel earlier this month for the accomplishment.

The month's top Vampire was honored for his professional competence that made him a highly proficient and productive ordnanceman at VX-5.

The citation to accompany this award read, in part, "as a member of the Ordnance Branch, he diligently worked long hours in the identification and correction of M61A1 gun rigging and timing problems. His close monitoring and highly motivated attitude toward his assigned duties significantly contributed to the overall success of the Ordnance Shop."

TOP VAMPIRE—AOAN Todd E. Heissenbutel has been named Vampire of the Month by Capt. Eric Vanderpoel II, Commanding Officer, Air Test and Evaluation Squadron Five (VX-5).



Military News

No officer augments

Washington (NNS) — No officers will be augmented from the Naval Reserve to the regular Navy during the October regular Navy and Lateral Transfer/Redesignation Board according to NAVOP 095/87.

The action was taken because of uncertainty about officer cuts that may be mandated by Congress for Fiscal Year 1988.

The Naval Military Personnel Command will hold all applications accepted for the October board until the next board, currently scheduled for next April.

Officers who have applied for augmentation and are scheduled to be released from active duty before May 1 should contact their detailers to request retention on active duty.

The lateral transfer portion of the October 1987 board will take place as scheduled.

Cal-State Bakersfield's spring schedule — Cal-State University Chico to have advisor here Dec. 4

(Continued from Page 18) days, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Vigen, CSB.

Prerequisites: (a) Cerro Coso Math 20: Basic Functions & Calculus for Business or equivalent; and (b) Cerro Coso Math 22: Elementary Probability " Statistics or equivalent.

Scope: An introduction to the application of quantitative methods and information systems, including computer applications in business and industry. Information processing, allocation of resources, network analysis and inventory planning are among the models examined as they relate to the management decision making process.

Note: This is a core course for the BS in Business Administration.

PPA 502: Public Decisions Support Systems (5 quarter units)

January 4-March 21 (no meeting January 18 and February 15), Mondays, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Mann, CSB.

Scope: This graduate foundation seminar takes a systems approach to organizational control and decision making. It introduces theoretical and practical aspects of the systems decision in public management and covers such techniques as network analysis, forecasting and economic analysis. It examines fund accounting, management audit and management information systems as they are used in the public, non-profit and health care sectors. It also employs micro-computers to accomplish the quantitative and statistical tasks under study.

Beh. Sci.77: Computer's Impact on Society (5 quarter units)

January 13-March 16, Wednesdays, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Ross, CSB.

Prerequisite: A previous course in computer science.

Scope: The social impact of computers and related systems upon people and the environment. Exposure to state of the art studies for data banks, privacy, leisure, urban and rural planning, public administration, the environment, modeling, simulation, etc. Social responsibilities of the computer scientist and the layman.

Note: This is a required course for

the BSCS degree through CSUC. This course also serves as a general education course for BSCS students.

Spanish 320.001: Hispanic-American Culture and Civilization (5 quarter units)

January 12-March 15, Tuesdays, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Reyna, CSB.

Scope: An overview of music, arts,

literature, customs, institutions and technology, past and present, as they affect the development of Hispanic-American culture and civilization from its beginning to the present day. Course given in English.

Note: This course satisfies General Education Goal VIII for CSB students. This course also satisfies the ethnic studies course requirement for CSUC BSCS students.

Dr. Orlando Madrigal of Cal-State University Chico will be on Center December 4 to advise current and prospective students in the external degree programs offered by the school. Cal-State University Chico has

external degree programs in computer science that lead to bachelor's and master's degrees.

Those who wish to see Dr. Madrigal are asked to make an appointment by telephoning Cyndi Jones at NWC ext. 2648.

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FERS — Catch-62 questions and answers

Q. What is Catch-62?
A. Catch-62 is the commonly used name for the reduction made in Civil Service Retirement benefits at age 62 when the post-1956 military time had been used toward Civil Service but the beneficiary is also eligible for Social Security at age 62.

Q. I was hired before October 1, 1982. What options do I have?
A. You have two options. You can make the seven percent deposit and be assured of always using your military time toward your Civil Service retirement computation even if you are eligible for Social Security at age 62; or you do nothing and at age 62 if you are eligible for Social Security benefits your Civil Service retirement benefit will be recomputed to take away the military time.

Q. What if I don't apply for Social Security benefits?
A. Whether or not you apply for your Social Security benefit has no bearing on the reduction in your Civil Service Retirement benefit. You merely must be age 62 and have the required quarters of coverage.

Q. I was hired after October 1, 1982 and plan to stay with CSRS or transfer to FERS but I will be vested for a CSRS benefit. What options do I have?
A. If you were hired after October 1, 1982 and you will be vested for a CS retirement benefit when you transfer to FERS, you must make the deposit of seven percent of your basic military pay in order to have your military time counted toward your Civil Service retirement eligibility or annuity.

Q. I was hired after October 1, 1982 and am either under FERS or am planning to transfer to FERS before I am vested in CSRS. What options do I have?
A. If you were hired after October 1, 1982 and you are either mandatorily under FERS or are going to transfer into FERS without having five years of CS time, you must make a deposit equal to 3% of your basic military pay in order to have your military service counted toward your FERS retirement eligibility or annuity.

Q. By making this deposit, do I lose my right to Social Security benefits?
A. No. Keep in mind that the post-1956 military wages were taxed for Social Security when paid. They are on your Social Security wage record. All you are doing by making the deposit is assuring that you will always get credit under both Civil Service and Social Security for your military service time.

CSB — Spring schedule

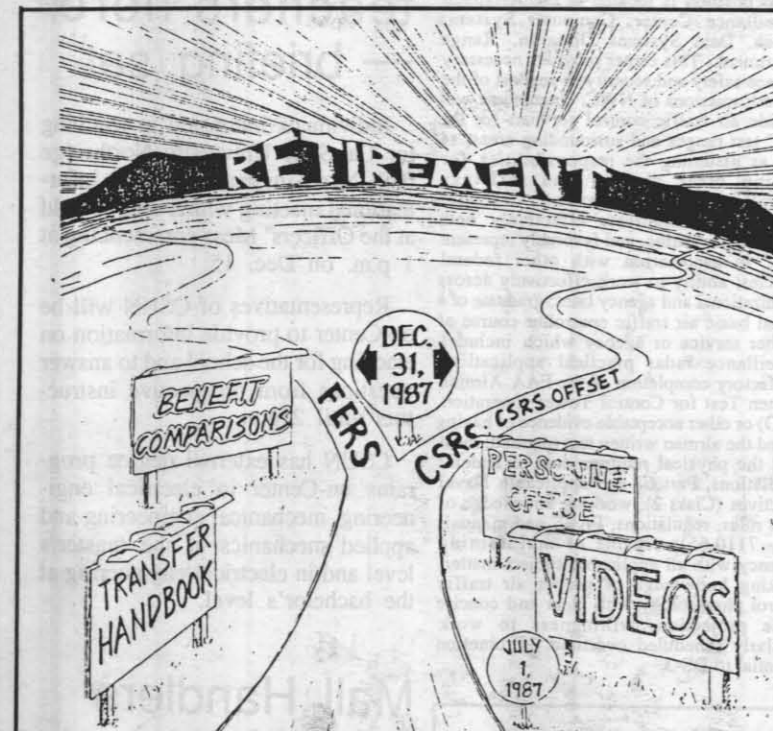
The following classes are being offered this winter for the Cal-State Bakersfield Business (bachelor's degree) and Administration (master's degree) programs. To enroll in these classes, submit an on-Center Training Request (NAVWPNCEN 12410/73) via department channels to Code 094. Registration will be held in class at the first class meeting. Deadline for enrolling is 10 calendar days before the starting date of the class.

Psych 602: Seminar In Organizational Psychology (5 quarter units)
 January 14-March 17, Thursdays, 1610-2110 (1-hour dinner break), Training Center. By Professor Sasaki, CSB.

Scope: Examination and application of theories and concepts pertaining to the behavior of individuals in contemporary work organizations. Deals with those factors which affect positively and negatively the ability of individuals and groups of individuals to work effectively within the structure and climate of complex organizations. Topics deal with issues associated with individual values, beliefs, attitudes and expectations as they affect the management processes, including leadership, decision-making and communication.

Note: This is a required course for the MS in Administration and satisfies the MPA core requirement of PPA510: Personnel Management.

MGT 301: Quantitative Methods and Information Systems (5 quarter units)
 January 14-March 17, Thursdays (Continued on Page 19)



Only 35 days left in FERS open season!

Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) employees have just 35 days to decide whether to stay in CSRS or transfer to the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS). The open season for making this decision closes Dec. 31.

The decision to transfer to FERS is irrevocable.

If you have any questions call your PMA or Virginia Spille at NWC ext. 2592.

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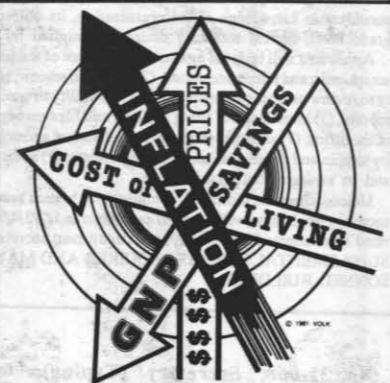
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Academic counselors to be on Center December 10

Academic counselors from Cal-State Bakersfield will be on Center December 10 to advise current and prospective students in the external degree programs offered by that school.

External degree programs offered at NWC by Bakersfield include a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in administration. Bakersfield also provides math courses for other external degree programs at NWC.

Those who wish to see one of the academic counselors are asked to make an appointment by telephoning Cyndi Jones at NWC ext. 2648.

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NJP record does not follow sailors to civilian life

(This is the second in a series on the system of courts and punishment set up under the Uniform Code of Military Justice.)

Nonjudicial Punishment (NJP) proceedings under Article 15 of the UCMJ, generally referred to as captain's mast, is an administrative means of resolving minor disciplinary matters.

Captain's mast for NJP should not be confused with a meritorious captain's mast for commendatory performance or some other purpose beneficial to the service member. Military personnel attached to shore commands may refuse NJP; however, members attached to or embarked upon vessels may not.

The punishment imposed may include restriction for no more than 60 days, correctional custody for no more than 30 days, forfeiture of no more than one half of one month's pay for two months or extra duties for no more than 45 consecutive days.

Personnel E-3 or below, or persons reduced at NJP to pay grade E-3 who are attached to or embarked on a vessel may be confined for up to three days on bread and water.

While Article 15 permits the reduction of E-4s and E-3s to E-1, and those above pay grade E-4 to be reduced two pay grades, custom and the Manual of the Judge Advo-



cate General limit reduction in the naval service to one pay grade. Officers may also be punished at NJP, but authorized punishments are more limited.

Punishment also may include a letter of censure which may be filed in the service member's official record.

At many commands, after investigation of the allegation, the executive office conducts a preliminary hearing (XO's screening) to determine whether an adequate basis exists for referring the matter to the commanding officer.

Because NJP is an administrative procedure, an accused is not entitled to be represented by a

lawyer at the proceeding. However, shore-based accuseds may generally consult with a lawyer prior to NJP to discuss the procedural options inherent in refusal to accept NJP.

A key aspect of NJP is that if punishment is imposed, such punishment is not a "conviction" for either military or civilian purposes and the record of punishment does not follow the member into civilian life.

Punishment from NJP may be appealed to higher authority under procedures set forth in the JAGMAN.

Holiday sales set at NEX

Christmas shopping season is here once more, and the best way to get a lot of value for dollars spent is at the Navy Exchange retail store.

Now underway is the After Thanksgiving Sale; to help shoppers, the NEX will be open until 8 tonight. Next weekend's highlight will be another Super Saturday sale with all

the bargains that the Super Sales bring.

Those who want television sets, however, have only through Dec. 2 to take advantage of the bargains offered during the special TV promotional sale.

How about some perfume for the holidays? Fragrances will be on spe-

cial from Dec. 9 through 24. Here's a good way to make a purchase for that special lady without having to worry about whether something is the right size or color.

Anyone who feels reluctant to decorate a tree can solve that problem easily. Buy one of the mini living Christmas trees on sale at the NEX

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MWR funds grow thanks to Exchange

As a direct result of Congressional action, the Naval Weapons Center's recreational funds have benefited and will continue to benefit. Congressional interest in the Military Welfare and Recreation organization and in groups essentially retail and vending functions under the same program manager resulted in the Chief of Naval Operations determining that the Consolidated Package Store, amusement machines and pay telephone programs should be placed under the Navy Resale System. A key feature of this functional transfer, which took effect on Oct. 1, 1987, is the distribution of all profits generated from these operations to local command, with no application for general expenses or sharing of profits with NAVRESSO New York of NMPC. Consequently, Lt. Ray R. Tanjoco, the Officer in Charge of the Navy Resale Activity Detachment at China Lake recently presented Jim Bowen, head of the Recreational Services Department, with the first of a series of monthly checks.

New service

Everyone is invited to attend a Protestant contemporary worship service each Sunday at the All Faith Chapel's Annex 4 from 9 to 10 a.m. Anyone wishing to spend an hour on Sunday in song and praise is welcome.

Vet clinic

Animals belonging to active duty or retired military personnel can get well-animal shots Tuesday at the Craft/Hobby Center. Appointments are required and can be made by telephoning NWC ext. 2942 or 3252.

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Personnel News & Notes

Promotional opportunities

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HOW TO APPLY: Submit the following: a current application, SF-171 or other Personnel Department pre-approved form; and a copy of your most recent annual performance assessment narrative (note: a copy of your performance plan should be attached if the annual performance narrative description does not clearly state the tasks/duties performed). A supplemental narrative which relates your qualifications to each knowledge, skill or ability (KSA's) as cited in the advertisement is always desirable and may be required if stated in the vacancy announcement. Write the title, series, level (grade), and announcement number on all application materials. Not submitting the annual performance narrative may adversely affect your evaluation scores. Prior to submitting your application, complete Cover Sheet Form 12334/2, available at the reception desk. Make sure your address, phone number, etc. are current, correct and that all forms are complete and accurate. If information is missing, your qualifications may not be fully and completely rated. Additional information cannot be submitted after the closing date of the announcement. A current date and an original signature in ink on the last page completes the application. Civilian Spousal Program Eligibles must submit a copy of their sponsor's PCS orders with each application.

Application materials are accepted, and blank forms are available, at the Reception Desk, Room 100, Personnel Department, 505 Blandly. Announcements close at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, one week after the opening date of the announcement, unless otherwise specified. Applications received after 4:30 p.m. on the closing date will not be considered. Applications are retained in an announcement file and cannot be returned or filed in personnel folders. The Naval Weapons Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer; selections are made without discrimination for any non-merit reason.

Health benefits open season

Blue Cross/Blue Shield reps to be onboard December 3

Representatives from Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance will be on Center December 3 to answer any questions concerning their insurance plans. Employees wishing to ask questions or just to compare their insurance plan with Blue Cross/Blue Shield should stop by the Code 09 Conference Room at the Civilian Personnel Office on 505 Blandly from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The annual open season for the Federal Employees' Health Benefits Program continues until Friday, December 11.

Any eligible employee who is not currently registered may enroll and enrolled employees may change from one plan or option to another, or, from

self-only to self and family or a combination of both.

Employees who want to enroll, or make some other permissible change in coverage, should go to Room 100 in the Personnel Building. New enrollments and changes in current enrollments made during the open season will become effective on January 3.

The Personnel Department now has some of the information literature on the various plans offered to government employees. The Comparison Chart, which offers an easy comparison of the various plans, has not come in yet; however, it is expected to arrive soon.

For further information call Glenda, NWC ext. 2018.

Orientation set for new NWC employees Dec. 4

On Dec. 4, an orientation for employees new to NWC will be offered at the Training Center from 8 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m.

The orientation includes: A welcome aboard and Center overview and presentations on training opportunities, safety, Employee Assistance program, personnel benefits and sys-

tems, police and fire divisions, desert geology, security, Technical Information Department, equal employment opportunity, NWC and area recreation and internal review.

New employees who have not been contacted about this class should call their department offices.

No. 08-066, Budget Analyst, DA-560-2/3, Code 0837 - Position is located in the Corporate Budget Branch. Incumbent works on Center-wide reports and budgets. Incumbent is involved in, or leads, special studies. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to gather and analyze raw financial data; ability to prepare clear and concise written and oral communications; ability to construct concise financial reports. Promotion potential to DP-3.

No. 38-014, Supervisory Research Physicist, DP-1310-3/4, Code 3818 - This position is that of head of the Physical Optics and Thin Films Branch, located in the Physics Division, Research Department. The incumbent's duties include planning, implementing, and monitoring the progress of an integrated research program in optics in cooperation with the members of the branch head he will be responsible for administrative matters pertaining to branch members. He will be required to develop and market proposals for research programs in collaboration with members of the branch and the division and to be a point of contact for NWC management and NWC and outside sponsors of branch programs. Job Relevant Criteria: Knowledge of the principles of optics; knowledge of affirmative action principles and a willingness to implement EEO practices; ability to plan, organize, and manage a technical research program; ability to perform as a first-line supervisor. A one year supervisory probationary period may be

required. Promotion potential to DP-4. No. 62-064, Flight Test Specialist, DS-301-1/2, Code 62413 - This position is located in the Airspace Surveillance Center, Computer Systems Branch, Data Systems Division, Range Department. This center provides necessary airspace safety and security in support of the RDT&E missions of NWC. Incumbent will provide air traffic control services for the NWC test ranges and surrounding areas, as well as assuming the responsibilities for training other civilian and military controllers. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing, and favorably represent NWC in association with other federal agencies; ability to work effectively across organizational and agency lines; graduate of a formal basic air traffic controller course of another service or agency which includes surveillance radar practical application; satisfactory completion of the FAA Airman Written Test for Control Tower Operator (CTO) or other acceptable evidence of having passed the airman written test required to meet the physical requirements of Federal Regulations, Part 67 and applicable Naval directives (Class 2); working knowledge of FAA rules, regulations, FARs and manuals (ie: 7110.65); capable of maintaining currency with all applicable subject matter; working knowledge of proper air traffic control phraseology with clear and concise voice projection; willingness to work regularly scheduled overtime. Promotion potential to DS-3.

CSUN needs teachers here — briefing set

Individuals interested in teaching for Cal-State University Northridge (CSUN) are invited to attend an informational meeting which will be held at the Officers' Mess commencing at 1 p.m. on Dec. 15.

Representatives of CSUN will be on-center to provide information on teaching for the school and to answer questions from prospective instructors until 2 p.m.

CSUN has external degree programs on-center in electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and applied mechanics at the master's level and in electrical engineering at the bachelor's level.

Mail Handlers' insureds to get free screenings

Medexam, a company serving people insured by Mail Handlers for nine years, will be in the Ridgecrest area next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Mail Handlers will pay the entire fees for these tests. Tests will be done at the Bar S Motel, located at 201 Inyokern Road. Appointments are necessary and may be made by calling Dan Christiansen at 446-2551.

As of January 1, Mail Handlers Benefit Plan will terminate coverage for routine tests for laboratory procedures and blood tests. For more information, contact a Mail Handler representative.

English Writing Proficiency Test scheduled for Jan. 26

On Tuesday, January 26, at 9 a.m. the English Writing Proficiency Test will be given.

Cal-State Northridge students should take the exam as soon as application for admission has been approved. This test must be passed before the student is granted unconditional status as a masters candidate. Graduate students must attain unconditional status before earning more than 12 units of academic work acceptable toward the masters' degree. The exam fee is \$12. Checks must be made payable to California State University Northridge (CSUN). Contact Cyndi Jones, NWC ext. 2648, to arrange to take the exam.

Secretarial opportunities

This column is used to announce secretary 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 divided into two categories: clerical and procedural duties and, at positions where the secretary's role is more administrative in nature, 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 secretary 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 processes; (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.

No. 31-068, Secretary (Typing), DG-318-2, Code 3105 - The incumbent provides secretarial, typing, clerical, timekeeping and other administrative support to personnel in the AH-1 Weapon System Support Activity, Aircraft Weapons Integration Department, Program Office. Promotion potential to DG-3.

Another open season in effect for the Thrift Savings Plan

Another Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) Open Season started November 15 and will close January 31.

New TSP booklets have been distributed. If any employees who haven't received a copy of this booklet should contact their division office.

During the open season employees have the opportunity to change their current enrollment, or make an initial participation election. Election forms processed by January 1 will be effective the first pay period in January, which starts January 3. Enrollments received on or after January 3 will be effective the beginning of the following pay period.

Employees wanting to change their current enrollment election or begin participation in the Thrift Savings Plan should contact their PMA to

schedule a time to come into Personnel and complete an election form. For further information call your PMA or Virginia Spille at NWC ext. 2592.

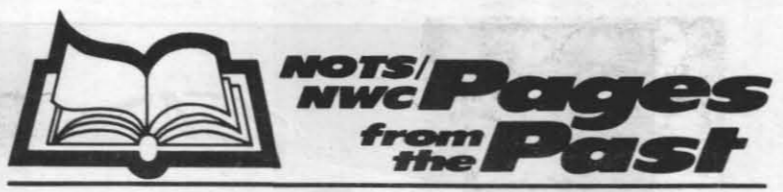
TV Booster adds station

Eight FM radio stations from the Los Angeles area can now be heard in the Indian Wells Valley, thanks to the Indian Wells Valley TV Booster, Inc. Newest station to be added to the roster of those translated and re-transmitted is KCRW, a non-commercial station the Los Angeles Times Magazine calls "the most influential public radio station in Los Angeles." The station can be heard locally at FM frequency 88.1.

Other stations translated and re-transmitted include KKGQ (featuring jazz), KRTH (rock, new wave, etc.), KVCR (news, information, drama, classical music and bluegrass), and KFAC (classical music).

Directions for obtaining a monthly

KCRW program listing can be obtained by writing to IWW TV Booster, Inc., P.O. Box 562, Ridgecrest, CA 93555. The Booster is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to sustaining through-the-air television and FM radio reception in the local area. The Booster is sustained by donated funds, memberships, and volunteer labor.



Big and Little Petroglyph Canyons on the north range of what was then the Naval Ordnance Test Station were designated National Historic Landmarks in January 1965 by the Department of the Interior.

The two canyons, entrenched in volcanic rock and containing 20,000 ancient petroglyphs of at least two cultural phases, were thereby assured protection and preservation under the landmark status, according to the National Park Service.

In addition, they have also been ensured protection by the Navy's careful stewardship of its lands; visitors to the canyons must obtain Navy permission.

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Parents night out

Parents Night Out is a new feature for military parents and civilian members of the All Faith Chapel. This program will allow parents to have their children cared for on Friday evenings for three hours at minimal cost.

ren through story time, music, crafts, video, and by other means.

Fees new program for military parents are \$6 per child per month or \$2 a night. For civilian members of the All Faith Chapel the cost is \$8 per



Children from six months old to 10 years old will be cared for at the Chapel nursery, 1903 Mitscher, by experienced adult attendants.

Included in the evening is one hour of Christian instruction to the child.

Registration and payment is required no later than Thursday of each week, and may be made at the chapel office. Call NWC ext. 2873 for more information.

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Youth Soccer League wraps up fall season matches

Final games of NWC's Recreational Services Department Youth Soccer League were played last weekend. Only two teams turned in their score sheets to the Rocketeer office by the early deadline.

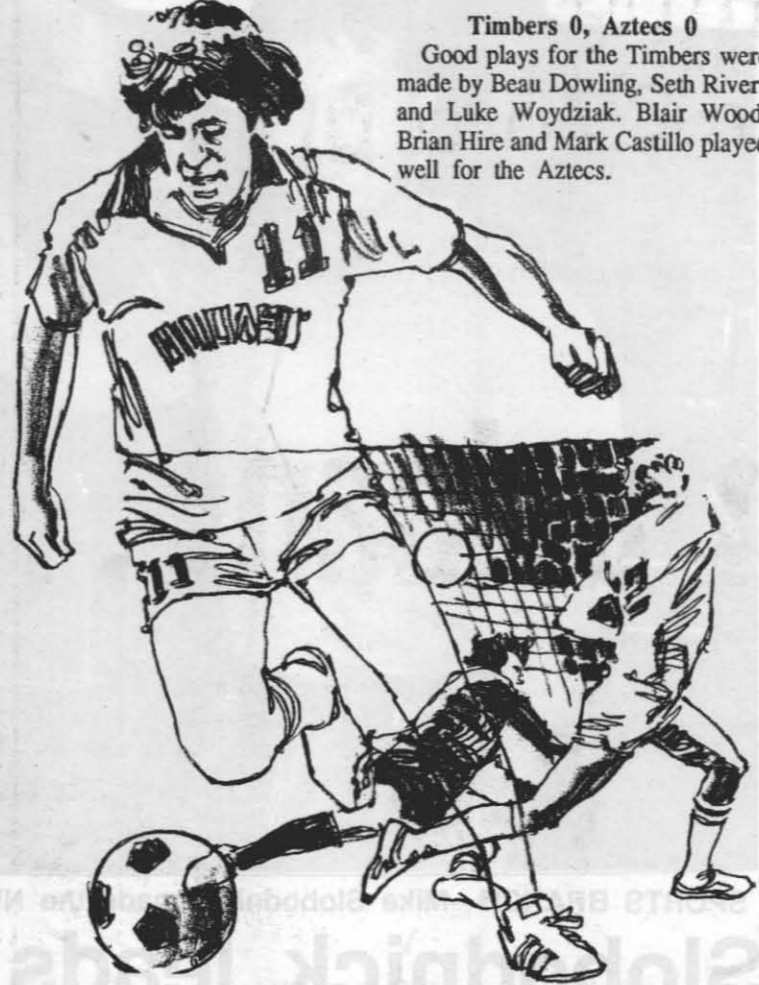
Division 2
Sounders 2, Bullets 1
Despite the whole team pitching in, the Bullets couldn't offset the Sounders. Scott Fuller did manage to slip one goal past the winners. The Sounders did not turn in a score sheet.

Whitecaps 5, Rockets 0
Bill Yeager was the star of the Rockets for the final game. He was credited with many saves in a fast moving game. Kevin Cassidy and Chris Potter played exceptional well, but couldn't stop the Rockets.

The following teams did not turn in score sheets by the Rocketeer deadline and are thus reported in a shortened form.

Strikers 5, Drillers 2
Damon Kelling scored four goals and Howard Gamble notched one for the Strikers. Sean Waldron and John Trahey each kicked in a goal for the Drillers.

Earthquakes 7, Sockers 2
The winners had goals from Greg Greedy, David Renner, Ryan Lilly and Tony Pracchia. Mike Ogren scored the goals in the loss.



Timbers 0, Aztecs 0
Good plays for the Timbers were made by Beau Dowling, Seth Rivers and Luke Woydziak. Blair Wood, Brian Hire and Mark Castillo played well for the Aztecs.

Stings 4, Lancers 2
Goals by Chad Taylor, Tommy Fuller and Travis Caddell secured the win. Lancers' goals were kicked in by Sean Cassidy and Akini Garrett.

Rougues 5, Whitecaps 5
The Rougues' goals were booted in by Steve Lundwall, Danny Wilson, Jonathan Rae and Brendan Weimholt. The Whitecaps did not turn in a score sheet.

Aerobics at pool

It's not too late to get into shape for the new year ahead. Nancy Aigner will teach aqua aerobics Tuesdays and Thursdays, Dec. 3 through 29, from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. at the indoor pool.

People of all ages are invited to take this course for which swimming skills are not required.

Cost of the class is \$18 for military, \$20 for DOD civilians, and \$22 for private citizens.

Further information can be obtained by telephoning the new Youth Center at NWC ext. 2909.

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Aerobics classes

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Those enrolled should bring either a towel or exercise mat. Cost of the class is \$16.50 per person. Sign-ups are at the gymnasium desk.

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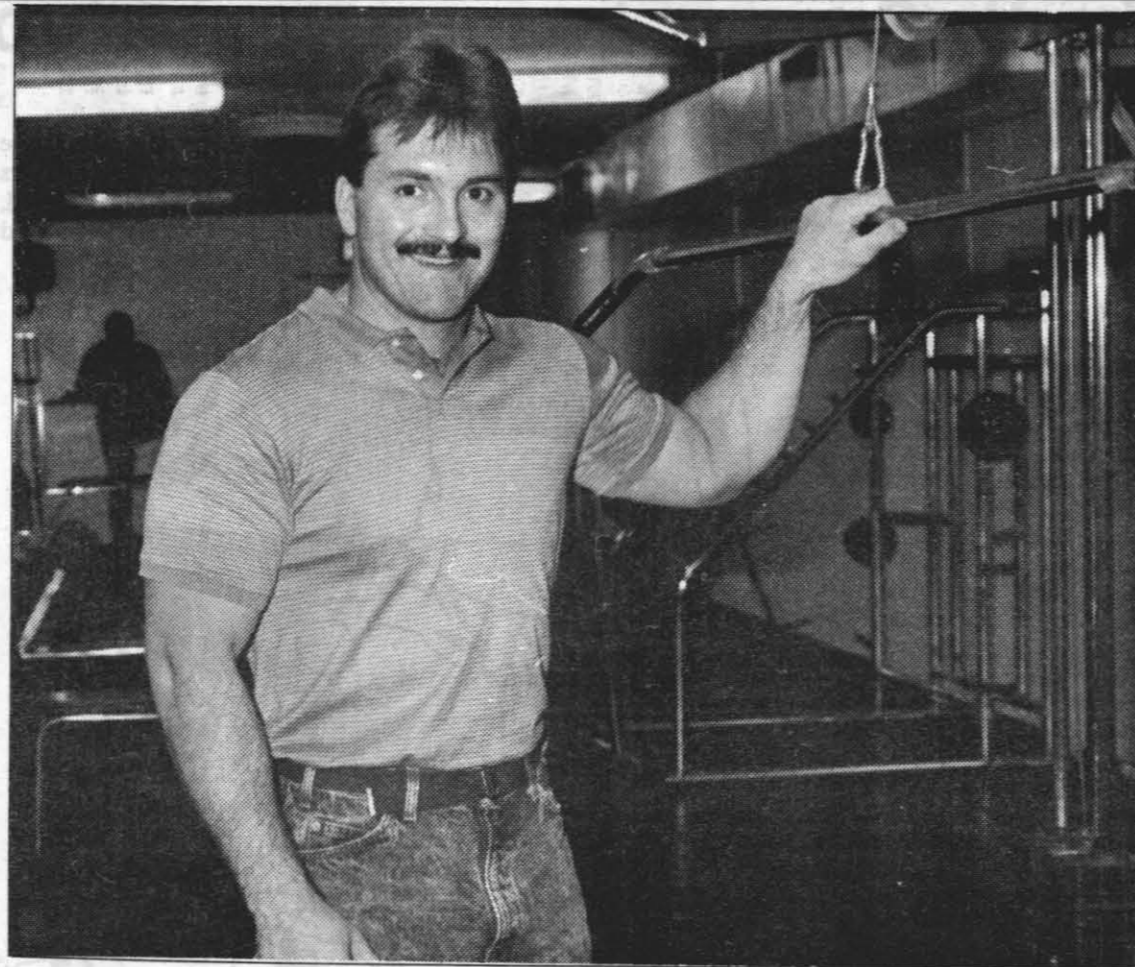
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Rec Services offers low-impact aerobics

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Sports



SPORTS BRANCH—Mike Slobodnick heads the NWC Sports Branch

Slobodnick leads branch

Earlier this month Mike Slobodnick was named athletic director for the Naval Weapons Center's Recreational Services Department. As athletic director and head of the department's Sports Branch, Slobodnick is responsible for intramural sports and all other sporting programs sponsored by the Recreational Services Department.

A lifetime sports enthusiast, the new AD has a bachelor's degree in physi-

cal education from the University of Illinois and a master's degree in PE from the University of California, Berkeley.

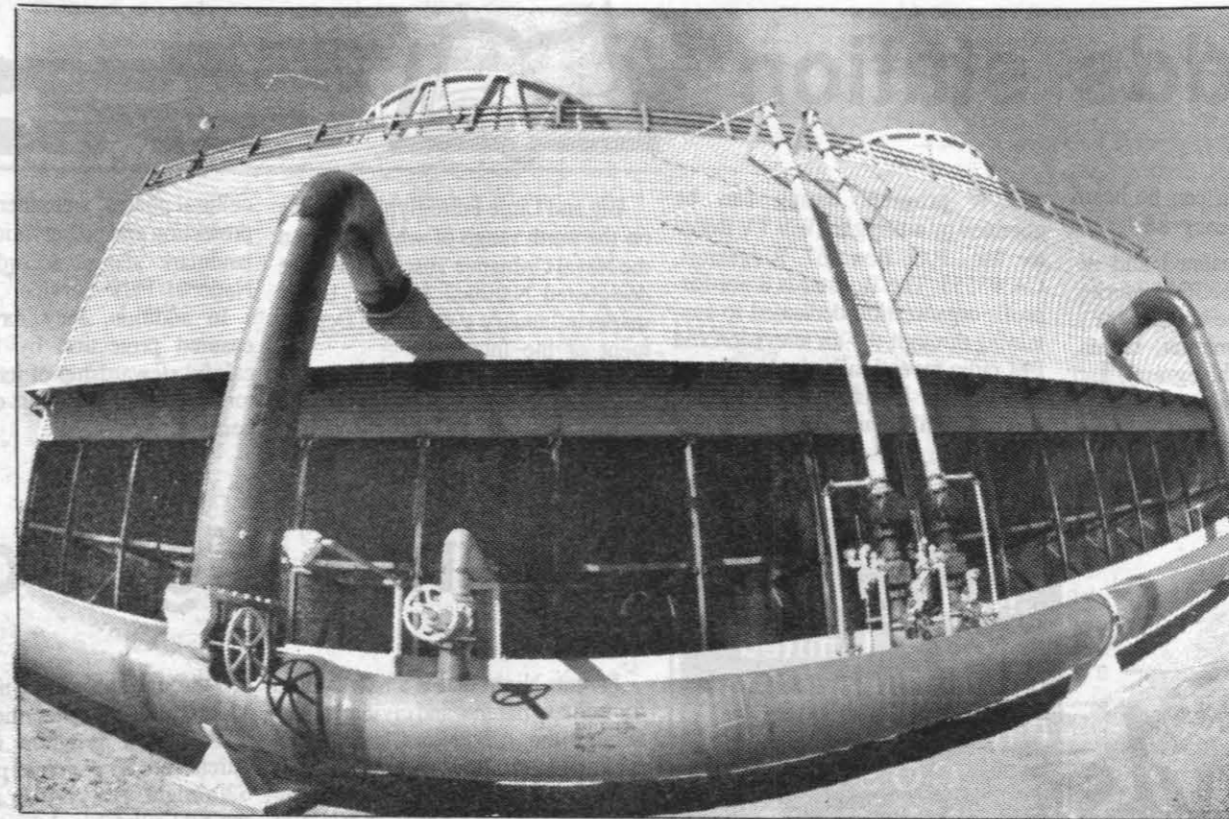
He was drawn to the Navy by friends who knew he was looking for a job in the sports field. After earning the master's degree he went to work for the Navy at Naval Air Station Moffett Field, near San Jose, working with the base's sports program.

When the China Lake opportunity came it was, said Slobodnick, "the right job at the right time, and I wanted to live in a smaller city." He was also attracted by the opportunity to be responsible for the entire sports program at a Naval base.

Along with personnel at the Sports Branch, the new AD wants to maintain the quality intramural sport and the excellent golf course at NWC. He also notes one task he needs to tackle right away is a continuing problem with weight room safety at the NWC Gym.

Looking to the future, Slobodnick said he plans to have an open door for patrons of the gym and participants in other athletic programs. "I encourage any suggestions from patrons of the athletic program about ways to improve it."

NWC's new athletic director can be found at the Sports Branch Office in the Center Gym, or at NWC ext. 2571.



FISH-EYE VIEW—The photographer distorted the huge cooling tower building with a extra-wide angle lens. The four towers cool down water used in the geothermal energy generation process at Coso.



RIBBON CUTTING—Dr. Carl Austin, Capt. John Burt and Keith Eastin use some oversized scissors to cut the ribbon dedicating the Coso Geothermal Plant One, Unit One. Looking are Gerry Schiefer, Capt. Ken Kelley, Charles C. Condy and RAdm. Jon Ives. Photo by PHAN Gary Brady

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how to love each other for a long, long time."

Acting as master of ceremonies, Capt. Ken Kelley, NWC Public Works Officer, noted this was an occasion a great number of people had been looking forward to for a long period of time.

The Center's PW Officer called Coso the "Navy's grand experiment with using test ranges for multiple purposes." He added, "this development shows the Navy and the private sector can work together for a common goal. We see this project as the key to ensuring NWC has a dependable source of power for the future."

Representing all the varied private interests involved in the development and construction, Condy said the plant incorporated the latest technology to harness geothermal energy. He also noted it had been on line 98 percent of the time since it first fed power to the public utility grid on July 15, generating enough juice for 36,000 homes.

Coso currently has a rated generating capacity of 25 megawatts. Contracts have been signed expanding the existing plant by two more 25MW units and building a second, three-unit plant, which will expand generating capacity to 160 megawatts by 1990. This will bring total contractor investment in the project to more than \$400 million.

The contractor at Coso is Coso Finance Partners, a general partnership comprised of subsidiaries of California Energy Co., Caithness Corp. and Florida Power and Light Co. The prime contractor for construction was Guy F. Atkinson Co. and the turbine was manufactured by Mitsubishi Heavy Industries.

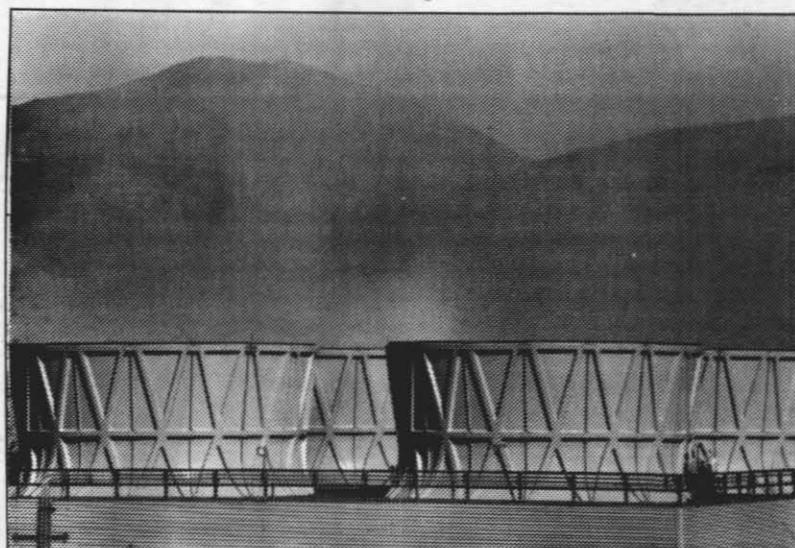
Also involved as Capt. John Burt, NWC Commander and Capt. Kelley noted, were the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), the Western Division of NAVFAC, the Bureau of Land Management, Department of Energy, Kern County, Inyo County and the State of California.

Dr. Austin knows he wasn't the first person with the idea of finding a geothermal resource at Coso. In his remarks Thursday he noted H.N. Siegfried with the Southern Sierra Power Company (now Southern Cali-

fornia Edison) wrote, in 1925 about Coso, "There is no doubt that a survey will disclose ample land still free for entry that will be suitable for natural

steam development proposes." But, the Navy and Dr. Austin were the first to actually seek such a commercial development at Coso.

The bottom line is, as Dr. Austin said, "a whole bunch of us have all hung in there together and the son-of-a-gun works."



COOLING DOWN—Steam rises from four cooling towers at the Coso Geothermal Plant.

GUEST SPEAKER—Keith Eastin, Deputy Undersecretary of the Navy (Shipbuilding and Logistics) was the principal guest speaker at the Navy dedicated Coso Geothermal Plant One Unit One last Thursday morning.



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Safetyline, the Naval Safety Center's publication, passes on some tips for field safety for hunters suggested by the National Rifle Association:

1. Be positive of your target's identity before shooting it.
2. Take time to fire a safe shot. If unsure or if you must move too quickly, pass up the shot. When you wonder whether you should shoot - don't.
3. Use the right ammunition for your firearm. Carry only one type of ammunition to be sure you will not mix different types.
4. If you fall, try to control where

the muzzle points. After a fall, check your unloaded gun for dirt and damage, and make sure the barrel is free of obstructions.

5. Unload your gun before climbing a bank or traveling across slippery ground.

6. When you cross a fence, unload your firearm and place it under the fence with the muzzle pointed away from where you are crossing.

7. Never use a scope as a substitute for binoculars. Imagine how you would feel if you discovered you were being looked at through a scope mounted on a gun.

8. Alcohol, drugs and hunting do not mix. Drugs and alcohol will impair your judgment. Keen judgment is essential to safe hunting.

9. Beware of fatigue. When you are so tired that hunting isn't fun anymore, go back to camp. Fatigue can cause carelessness and clumsiness, which cause accidents. Fatigue causes you to see things that aren't there.

10. When you finish hunting, unload your gun before returning to your vehicle or camp.

Trap hazards in canyons

With the advent of trapping season, those who take their dogs into the mountains and canyons need to be particularly aware of the danger that the animals face.

Anyone whose dog gets a foot caught in a trap should calm the animal, then carefully spring the jaws of the trap to free the animal. If the dog has been caught overnight, it's foot will undoubtedly require treatment by a vet.

Department of Fish and Game wardens ask that anyone whose animal is caught in a trap free the animal and then leave the trap in place and notify them so they can check out whether the trap is legal. If the trap is not legal, they can then cite the owner of the trap.

An Osprey in USMC's future

A new aircraft that combines the best features of a helicopter and a turboprop airplane is undergoing full-scale development for final testing. Called a tilt-rotor, the aircraft could find its way into the armed forces inventory as early as 1993.

The V-22 Osprey is the first weapon system designed to meet the needs of each service. It can lift like a helicopter and has the high speed and long range of a turboprop aircraft.

During takeoff, the two wing-mounted engine rotors point upward and allow the Osprey to take off like a helicopter. Once airborne, the engines rotate forward — the maneuver takes less than 12 seconds — and the Osprey flies like a conventional aircraft. As a turboprop, the Osprey can cruise at more than 275 knots.

The Marine Corps, the first service scheduled to receive the new aircraft, will use its 552 Ospreys to replace 20-year-old CH-46E helicopters. This version of the Osprey will carry 18 to 24 Marines out to a 200-nautical-mile radius or external loads of up to 10,000 pounds. The Marine tilt-rotor will deliver two waves of Marines ashore in less than 90 minutes.

The Marine Corps will benefit greatly with the Osprey. In addition to

its own ferry capabilities, the Marines will no longer have to rely on the Air Force for its movement of medium assault airplanes. Currently, the CH-46 helicopters must be dismantled before being placed aboard Air Force cargo aircraft for long-distance transport.

Marine Corps Col. Harold Blot, program manager for the V-22 program, outlined the aircraft's many features.

"The Marine Corps was looking for an aircraft that will get Marines where they were going faster, that could fly in weather that stops today's helicopters and that could fly low level at night. And it had to be able to take a lot of punishment and still stay in the air," said Blot.

"The V-22 will fly twice as far as the CH-46 in the same amount of time without refueling. The engines can carry the same load in hotter weather at higher altitudes. It can fly at low levels at night and has the power and lift capability to climb over or go around bad weather."

Blot said that any aircraft that performs the mission of the Osprey is

guided by three principles:

- Don't get shot;
- If you do, stay in the air; and
- If the first two fail, be able to walk away.

When flying like an airplane, said Blot, the Osprey makes only one-fourth the noise of a CH-46, but flies twice as fast. "Most helicopters get identified and shot at because of the noise they make," said Blot. What this means is that enemy gunners will have only one-eighth of the attack time they have had with the CH-46.

One of the most lethal anti-helicopter weapons is the infrared missile — the Stinger is an example. Since those missiles home in on heat and exhaust, the Osprey has been designed so that its heat and exhaust are blown out in many different directions and dissipated very quickly. Even if one engine is disabled, the other is far enough away to avoid damage from the same hit, which will allow the aircraft to stay airborne.

As to being able to walk away from a crash, Blot noted that many Marines in helicopter accidents are killed by the heavy engines, transmissions and

rotor systems entering the troop compartment. The Osprey, he said, will not cause those types of deaths since the rotors and engines are not mounted above the areas where Marines are sitting.

Also, many Marines drown in helicopter accidents on water. The Osprey, said Blot, is much more balanced and can float almost as well as an outrigger canoe.

Christmas pool sked

On Christmas Eve, the gymnasium and indoor pool will close at 4:30 p.m., and will remain closed through Christmas Day.

New Year's Eve (Dec. 31), the gym and pool will also close at 4:30 p.m., but both will be open on January 1 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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APPROVED

- Local Authority 3
- Waiver Requests 58

DISAPPROVED

- By Local Command 22
- By Higher Authority 8

PENDING FINAL DISPOSITION

- By local command 10
- By higher authority 16

CANCELLED WAIVER REQUEST 1

RESOLVED LOCALLY 37

WITHDRAWN BY ORIGINATOR 65

CURRENTLY BEING STAFFED 83

Total NWC MIPIs 303

MIPIs wanted...

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 acquired through other means; another MIPI, previously approved for implementation at NWC, resolves the issue; or, the proposed procedure set forth in the MIPI to correct a perceived problem has been "overcome by events."

"Withdrawn" MIPIs are those that received recommendations for disapproval by numerous reviewers. In these situations, the MIP analyst staffing the MIPI contacts the originators, informs them of the recommendation for disapproval. Various alternatives are discussed, and the originator, based on information received, chooses to withdraw the MIPI rather than pursue the issue up to the Commander. Remember, only the Com-

mander can officially disapprove your MIPI! It is the originator's choice in these cases to withdraw a MIPI recommended for disapproval. Normally, however, the originator will develop another, better conceived, MIPI for consideration.

Finally, there are 83 MIPIs "Currently Being Staffed" onboard at China Lake; these are still undergoing review and consideration. We are seriously attempting to move the MIPIs as soon as possible, but please be patient. The Majority of MIPIs submitted to the MIP Office are "tough" issues and require thorough review and consideration by the code responsible for implementing the idea if approved.

— from the NWC MIP Office

Welcome Aboard: JPs, officers are honored

New military personnel and junior professionals will be welcomed aboard on Tuesday, December 1, at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

Supervisors, co-workers and friends are encouraged to attend to welcome these people into the China Lake "family."

A \$4 donation will be charged for everyone except the people being honored. Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

The new military personnel being welcomed are Capt. Eric Vanderpool, Capt. Ronald Beres, Lt. Ronald Hoppock, Lt. Donald Brundage, Lt. Jon Harding, Lt. Joseph Lynch, Lt. Richard Manski, Lt. William McGahee, Lt. Scott McLellan and Lt. Gregory Upright.

New junior professionals being welcomed are David Arbo, Michele Bauschka, J. Darrin Boston, David Brough, Michael Campbell, Nancy Case, Kent Davis, Julie and David Doerr, Matthew Doig, Roger Durtschi, Robert Flores, David George, Chris Gibbs and Paul Guggenbuehl.

Additional junior professionals being welcomed are Stephen Hall, Suzanne Haney, Mark Hilde, James Hoover, Russell Hurst, Petra Jannetty, Joe Kelley, Mark Kram, Anthony Lifur, James Means, Ross Mehlhose, Jeffrey Morgan, Stephanie Radochia, Keith Ray and Bill Styer.

Meg Swassing, Mikki Swenson, Duane Roth, Scott Taylor, Charles Tilley, Roger Toennis, Daniel Warren, Michael Williams, Wayne Williams and Marc Yarlott are also junior professionals being welcomed.

Anglers and hunters suffer from winter weather conditions in valleys and mountains

Between wind and drought, neither hunters nor anglers fared very well this weekend.

The drought means that there's very little water for waterfowl; as a consequence, duck hunters are not

finding many birds.

Chukar are also almost impossible to locate. The brood count was not good, and what birds there are scattered throughout the whole area.

Quail hunters are getting a fair

number of birds. The place to look for quail is in the various canyons on both the eastern and western side of the Sierra. (Department of Fish and Game personnel suggest extremely comfortable boots for hunters


because any hunter is going to have to do a lot of walking.)

Turkey season is also now open; those planning on shooting their Thanksgiving turkey had better have a substitute meat in mind because

very few turkeys are being seen by hunters.

Anglers are also having a problem. Fishing at Lake Isabella is slow; a few trout are being taken in the spots where trout can normally be found.

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Congratulations to Joyce Churchill (left) and Jeannie LaHaye (right), posed with our very own Darrin Clodt. Both winners of \$25.00 gift certificates to the restaurant of their choice - Both chose the SANDPIPERS LOUNGE at the Carriage Inn.

Over 430 Coupons were turned in for our Thanksgiving drawing. Thank you to all who participated!

From the Rocketeer Advertising Dept.

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:
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