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VX-31 SAR crew rescues lost boy near Chimney Peak

By Renee Hatcher
NAWCWD Public Affairs



U.S. Navy Photo

The crew of "COSO 461" practices a confined-area landing at a snow-covered, rocky landing site in the "Easter Egg" area near Trona.

The Navy search and rescue (SAR) team assigned to NAWCWD China Lake delivered a late Christmas present to Ruben and Crystal Arroyo Dec. 28 as the crew saved their teenage son lost in the Eastern Sierra Nevada Mountains after he spent the night alone in sub-freezing temperatures.

"I thought I was going to die," Matthew Ybarra told Eyewitness News staff at Bakersfieldnow.com.

Ybarra had been sledding on Sunday and got separated from his family when he went looking for more altitude and faster speeds in the Chimney Peak area of Nine Mile Canyon.

"I found a bigger slope, but I couldn't find my way back," he said.

Ybarra spent about 16 hours alone that night in temperatures that dropped to 19 degrees Fahrenheit. While trying to find his way out of the wilderness, he fell in a creek and lost his shoes, a sock and a glove.

The Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 31 (VX-31) SAR crew was called 7:30 Monday morning to help with the search. The team of Lt. Cmdr. Ken Gilbert, Lt. Neal Barham, AWS1 John Jennings, AWS1 David Finn and HM2 Ben Hernandez was airborne by 8:10 a.m. and on the scene at 8:30.

Gilbert and Barham landed the SH-60F Seahawk helicopter across the road from the Chimney Peak fire station and the crew was quickly briefed on the situation

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China Lake sees 79 percent mishap reduction rate

Sylvia DuBeau
NAWS Public Affairs

Personnel readiness is central to executing the mission that readiness starts with safety.

When the Navy Safety Center called upon all installations to reduce their mishaps by 75 percent from fiscal year 2002, China Lake collectively met and exceeded the challenge.

The base enjoyed an early victory of a 79 percent mishap reduction thanks to the efforts and proactive leadership of all personnel.

This accomplishment was achieved prior to the extended

deadline given across the Navy.

NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson expressed his pleasure with the base's achievement.

"Preventing mishaps is a conscious effort achieved when people make the right choices and decisions. Through awareness, knowledge and commitment to safety, I believe China Lake can set the standard that others across the Navy will try to emulate," said Dodson.

Through innovative publicity efforts, teamwork and training, those assigned to China Lake recognized safety's significance to mission accomplishment.

Working side by side with customers to resolve concerns with practical solutions rather than enforcing checklist style regulatory compliance, Safety Specialists spent 75 percent of their time in the field where hazards exist and mishaps occur.

This shift from an organization driven by traditional practices to a customer focused program promoted open communication regarding safety concerns and mitigating risks.

In addition to their presence in work centers, the Safety Department conducted numerous safety

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Spouses invited

The CNO, Admiral Gary Roughead, and his wife, Mrs. Roughead, will be visiting China Lake Tuesday, Jan. 19.

Military spouses are invited to a meet and greet with Mrs. Roughead at approximately 1:25 p.m. (subject to minor adjustment) in Room G of the Fleet & Family Support Center off of Blandly Ave.

Military spouses are asked to e-mail or call NAWS Public Affairs at 939-1683, peggy.shoaf@navy.mil, if they plan to attend the meet and greet.

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Topping out ceremony held in honor of China Lake's BRAC Construction



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Commentary

Catholic priest arrives to serve military personnel

Peggy Shoaf

Public Affairs Officer



Father James Dowds, C.Ss.R

Catholic services will now be held at the All Faith Chapel. Daily Mass will be held Monday through Thursday at 11 a.m. The Vigil Mass for Sunday will be celebrated at 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Mass will be at 9 a.m.

Father James Dowds, C.Ss.R., arrived at China Lake under contract to provide religious and counseling support to the military and civilians working onboard NAWS China Lake. The C.Ss.R. indicates that Father Jim is a Redemptorist, a Catholic Religious Order of Men that serves in areas

that are deprived of ordinary pastoral care.

A Pittsburgh, PA native, Father Jim isn't a stranger to the Navy. He joined the Navy in 1974 as a Hospital Corpsman. He entered

the seminary in 1976 and was ordained a priest in 1985.

In 1989 he was commissioned in the Navy Chaplain Corps as a reservist, where he completed 20 years.

He served in Desert Shield/Storm with 1st Battalion, 11th Marines. He also served in Guam; the Joint Task Force, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and the Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA.

He recently left Washington, DC to drive cross country to China Lake.

Father Jim said: "Jesus often went to the desert to pray. The Lord has called me to the desert several times in my life: the First

Persian Gulf War; Marine Corps exercises at 29 Palms, both as a Corpsman and later as a Chaplain; and for one year in the semi-arid climate of GTMO, which looked more like a desert than not. God has been good to me in the desert and I am happy to be here!"

Father Jim plans to work in conjunction with Father Paul Kado, Pastor of St. Ann's, the local Catholic parish.

"It's a win-win situation for everyone," said Father Jim. "We won't duplicate times of our Masses so people can have a choice, giving them more options."

Father Jim can be reached at 939-3506.

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If you have something you would like to go into the newsletter or newspaper, or if you would like to receive it direct, you can contact the NAWS Public Affairs Office, peggy.shoaf@navy.mil.

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 Religious Education Building
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**Communion is first Sunday every month
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Upon request, transportation is available to worship services in the city of Ridgecrest.

Donations of canned goods, pasta sauses, baby foods, diapers, etc., are welcome year-round. These are given either to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, or to the Ridgecrest Salvation Army.

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Military

F-35 arrives at China Lake



U.S. Navy Photo

The new Joint Strike Fighter F-35, known as the Lightning II, arrived here Dec. 17 to undergo aircraft survivability testing by the Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division to ensure the plane can give its pilots the best protection possible. The next-generation fighter was escorted from Edwards Air Force Base to China Lake by an F/A-18F piloted by Navy. Lt. Gerrit Everson and Cdr. Ian Anderson, both of Air Test and Evaluation Squadron 31.

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Transfer of Post-9/11 GI Bill Benefits

As an additional benefit for continued service, the Post-9/11 GI Bill allows certain service members to transfer education benefits to dependents.

• To transfer benefits, a Sailor must have enrolled their spouse and

children in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System (DEERS), have served in the armed forces for six years, and be active duty or Selected Reserve at the time of the application.

• In general, Sailors must commit to serve an additional four years in order to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to their spouse, their children or both.

• To utilize benefits, the spouse or child must complete the electronic or print version of VA form 22-1990e, which is available on the Department of Veterans Affairs website, and provide a copy of the approved transferability request (Transfer of Education Benefits (TEB) screen shot) to the academic institution's VA Certifying Official for enrollment certification. The form, instructions and additional information are located at the www.va.gov.

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Military

New commissary manager for China Lake

By Hannah Munoz
Editor



Patrice Funderburk

Patrice Funderburk is living proof that military wives can do it all. Now she is the China Lake Commissary Director as of Oct. 2009.

Starting at the bottom of the chain as a part-time cashier for the Frankfurt, Germany commissary while her husband was enlisted in the Army, she decided to learn all grocery store mechanics since the opportunity existed.

She collectively gained experience by working as a cashier, then in the produce department, before learning the meat cutting procedures and even endured the night-crew shift.

She then advanced to manage numerous commissaries, both nationally and internationally.

Funderburk brought along her military spouse insight by having a better idea of the products military families seek.

As the China Lake Commissary Director, she hopes to combine her knowledge and passion to serve others by providing the community with the desired product, even if that means undergoing modifications.

"I want to do the best possible job for the community," said Funderburk. "I know we're small, but we still need to do the best

with the resources we have. We will make adjustments when necessary."

Whether it is extending hours for special occasions, special ordering a desired product or adding a requested item to the store's shelves, Funderburk said she will immensely meet customer's needs.

Funderburk employees' needs are equally important to her.

"I always try to treat people the way I like to be treated," said Funderburk.

"I have an open door policy with customers and employees. One way I try to live life is by treating people the way I want to be treated."

According to her, this factor assisted in her success.

Funderburk is enthusiastic to join the Ridgecrest community. Although noted to be extremely unique from past residing cities, Funderburk enjoys the quiet, calm and friendly atmosphere.

With her retired husband finally free of relocation orders, Funderburk is comforted knowing she can completely unpack her unopened boxes of 10 years.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, Funderburk's husband enlisted in the U.S. Army to be stationed in Ft. Hood, Texas in the mid 1980's. Funderburk moved to Texas to be with her husband shortly after.

A few years following this, in 1988, Funderburk's husband received orders to reallocate to Frankfurt, Germany. Funderburk again departed with her husband, this time bringing along their two daughters and one son. They stayed for seven years.

Although frequently changing locations proved to be difficult, Funderburk grew fond of the German culture, food and lifestyle. Their German experience was somewhat brief, and the family then returned to Ft. Hood for an additional five years in result of her husband's orders.

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NAWS Advancement Ceremony



Photo by Hannah Munoz

NAWS Sailors AC1 Antwon Taylor (L to R), AC3 Steven VanCamp and LS3 Aimeng Dai are recognized by Capt. Jeffrey Dodson at a frocking ceremony that celebrated each Sailor's advancement.

Reenlistment Ceremony



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NAWS Sailor OSC Abraham Huerta was presented an honorable discharge award from NAWS Air Operations Officer Daniel Harmon for his 19 years of dedicated service to the U.S. Navy before reenlisting.

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News

China Lake landscape changes forever



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Tex Barnhart (left) executive director of operations for Barnhart, Inc., explains the construction industry's traditional topping-out ceremony Dec. 17 as the final structural beam is readied for placement on the In-Service Engineering Facility at the China Lake Propulsion Lab complex.

By Renee Hatcher
NAWCWD Public Affairs

The 2005 BRAC decision that called for the consolidation of naval weapons and armament research here has significantly changed the China Lake landscape for the first time since World War II.

No longer does the intersection of Knox and Blandly streets look as it has for decades. One reason for that is the erection of the Dr. William B. McLean Laboratory (P-745) on the southeast corner. The McLean Lab is the 177,000 square foot facility that will provide for general engineering labs, modeling and simulation work,

logistics and conferencing.

A topping-out ceremony was held Dec. 17, 2009 in what has become tradition in the construction industry. Some China Lake employees went down in history as they signed the last pieces of structural steel before they were placed on the McLean Lab. A similar ceremony was held the same day at the In-Service Engineering Facility, P-704V, at the China Lake Propulsion Lab complex.

"I'm honored to be here at China Lake to help celebrate the topping-out ceremony," said Tex Barnhart, executive director of operations for Barnhart, Inc., the construction contractor.

The topping-out ceremony is an ancient Scandinavian practice of placing a tree on the top of a new building to appease the tree-dwelling spirits of their ancestors that had been displaced. This tradition migrated to America and celebrates the last piece of structural steel being placed on a building.

"There's no such thing as random, high-performance events," said Capt. Mark Storch, NAWCWD

commander. "What you see here is a high-performance event and it's not random; it's due to a lot of hard work by the contractor and the government. We're looking forward to getting into this amazing facility."

The planned completion date for the McLean Lab is September 2010.

The 94 concrete walls for the McLean Lab went up seemingly overnight. Each panel, weighing

between 80,000 and 130,000 pounds, was poured at night to avoid the 100-plus-degree days last fall, as concrete pouring requires lower temperatures. More than 12 cubic yards of concrete were used for each panel, which were formed and then left for about a week to cure. The 300-ton crane tilted the panels up in place effortlessly as the landscaped at China Lake was changed forever.

Barefoot Bar remains open

The Barefoot Bar located in the Museum of Armament and Technology, adjacent to the Oasis pool, is open to all hands that have access to the base and their guests which includes, active duty, retirees, DOD civilians, dependents and contractors.

It provides a unique atmosphere celebrating our base heritage and a patio area. It is also available for private parties and social get togethers.

To reserve a special event please call Susan Kerns at 760-939-8662 or just stop by and enjoy an adult beverage or soda with friends.

Unfortunately, in the latest Desert

Winds Quarterly (MWR's quarterly magazine), it indicates that the Barefoot Bar is closed. That is not the case.

Current hours of operation are: Every Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., every Thursday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and every non-flex Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Starting February, the hours will change slightly to every Wednesday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., every flex Thursday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. and every non-flex Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

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Safety, from page 1

stand downs to raise awareness and promote the operation risk management program for hazards both on and off duty.

Off-duty safety was especially emphasized during holiday seasons and extended weekends. Events and guidelines were highlighted in the base newspaper, all hands notifications, and on large electronic signs that personnel passed as they arrived and departed the base.

Meanwhile, commands stressed every worker's "no" vote to accomplishing the mission safely.

Without fear of reprisal, all personnel have the authority and obligation to stop a job with possible safety issues until an evaluation can be completed. Bill Deem, Site Safety Manager noted that leadership around the base took extra steps to promote a culture of safety and ensured the safest working conditions for their personnel.

"Safety is paramount to ensuring the highest degrees of readiness, quality, efficiency and production,"

said Deem.

He also added that evaluating current procedures and reviewing all mishaps within their supervision proved to be one of the most prominent factors in mishap reduction.

NAVCWD Commanding Officer Capt. Mark Storch highlighted the value of a successful safety program.

"Safety enables mission success. A good safety program prevents injury to our people and damage to equipment," said Storch. "It saves the Navy and command valuable resources, the most important of which is our people. Remember - everyone has a 'no' vote when it comes to an unsafe condition. We are relied upon as the experts in many technical disciplines, and a good safety culture enables that."

Although the reduction was significant, the focus on safety and reducing mishaps continues. Executive Officer Cmdr. Lee Johnson encouraged all personnel not to lose focus.

"I am proud of the mishap reduction we have witnessed onboard NAWS China Lake," said Johnson. "This reduction has only been realized through the dedicated efforts of all personnel who work and reside on base. We must continue, however, to make safety a priority everyday. It only takes one serious incident to negatively detract from our latest positive accomplishments."

All commands at China Lake remain committed to protecting their most valuable assets, their personnel. But safety remains an all-hands effort. Each Sailor, Marine, and civilian employee should continue to serve as safety ambassadors, both on and off duty, until China Lake meets the ultimate goal of zero mishaps.

Be a leader, follow safety procedures

Welcome aboard, new employees!

Sean McCormick recently joined NAWCWD Materials Engineering Department. McCormick's hometown is Idaho Falls, Idaho and he attended University of Idaho, majoring in material science engineering.

Claudelia Terry recently joined NAWCWD Electronic Warfare. Terry's hometown is St. Louis, Mo. and she attended Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, majoring in electrical engineering.

Patrick Bien recently joined NAVFAC Public Works. Bien's hometown is Ridgecrest and he attended Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, majoring in architectural engineering.

David Burson recently joined NAVFAC Public Works A/C Department. Burson's hometown is Ridgecrest and he attended school in Bakersfield, majoring in

business.

Mark Hall recently joined NAWCWD Ordnance T&E. Hall's hometown is Walla Walla, Wash. and he attended school at Portland State University, majoring in business.

Laura Arns recently joined NAWCWD Warfare Analysis. Arn's hometown is Waverly, Iowa and she attended Iowa State University, majoring in computer science.

Ying-Ming Lee recently joined NAWCWD. Lee's hometown is Rocklin, Calif. and she attended the University of Texas at Arlington, majoring in Aerospace Engineering.

Renee Kale recently joined NAWCWD Contracts. Kale's hometown is Leesport, Pa and she attended the University of Maryland, majoring in management.

News in Brief

Defense Travel Management notice

The General Services Administration has just released new mileage reimbursement rates for privately owned automobiles, motorcycles and airplanes when used for official travel. The following new mileage rates went into effect Jan. 1: POA: \$0.50, motorcycles: \$0.47 and airplanes: \$1.29.

Impact: Previously approved documents may need to be amended to reflect new 2010 rates.

Suggested action: Any authorization/voucher document created in 2009 for 2010 with mileage will need to be updated. Remove the mileage expense in the voucher and then add it back in. DTS will update the cost appropriately.

If you have any questions please contact your travel office.

ID Cards unavailable Jan. 25

The Customer Service Detachment will be closed Jan. 25 due to an annual refreshers training. Personnel will not be able to receive Common Access Cards or military IDs on that date. Questions can be addressed to PS1 Yolanda Ramos at 939-4717.

NEX Reduces hours for inventory

The Navy Exchange Gas Station

will be closed at 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29 and 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30, for yearly inventory. The gas pumps will remain open for credit card purchases only.

The NEX Mini-Mart located adjacent to the main store, will also be closed at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 30, for inventory.

Free Sea World admission for military

Free admission for Military Members and Direct Dependents to Theme Parks Operated by SeaWorld Parks & Entertainment "Here's to the Heroes," a program sponsored by Anheuser-Busch, provides a single day's free admission to any one SeaWorld or Busch Gardens park, Sesame Place, Adventure Island or Water Country USA for the service member and as many as three of his or her direct dependents.

Any active duty, active reserve, ready reserve service member or National Guardsman representing any of the five service branches is entitled to free admission under the program.

Also included in the offer are members of foreign military forces serving in the coalitions in Iraq or Afghanistan or attached to American units in the U.S. for training.

He or she must register, either online at www.herosalute.com or in the entrance plaza of a participating park, and show a Department of Defense photo ID.

Inactive, standby and retired reserve members, military retirees,

U.S. Merchant Marine and civilian Department of Defense workers are ineligible for the program.

NAVAIR Communications Security Conference

The NAVAIR Communications Security Management Team will host the annual NAVAIR Crypto Conference at the Patuxent River Base Theater Jan. 26 to Jan. 28.

The conference will present the latest updates on Communications Security topics such as crypto modernization, legacy crypto support, Electronic Key Management System, Key Management Infrastructure, validation process for COMSEC requirements and COMSEC training to program managers and/or their designated representatives. The conference is open to all NAVAIR program offices, COMSEC users and Fleet COMSEC operators.

Security clearances are required to attend. Information on registration, submission of security clearances, agenda and other pertinent information is available on the PMA 209 website: <http://www.navair.navy.mil/PMA209/conference/comsec.asp>

Registration for this event will close Jan. 22.

Online survey participation encouraged

The Naval Inspector General will be conducting a Readiness

and Quality of Life Area Visit to Navy Region Southwest Feb. 1 to Feb. 26. To prepare for the visit, the Naval Inspector General encourages service members, their families and Department of the Navy civilians to take an internet-based survey available now through Jan. 22.

Information gathered from the survey is crucial in order to ensure concerns of personnel are addressed. Issues to be evaluated include mission readiness, active reserve integration, fleet support, work environment, training, quality of life programs, facilities management, housing, safety and environmental programs.

The survey can be accessed: Active-duty, full-time support, and civilians:

<https://www.ig.navy.mil/southwest.htm>

Selected reserve: <https://www.ig.navy.mil/southwestres.htm>

Active-duty families: <https://www.ig.navy.mil/southwestspouse.htm>

This survey is anonymous and findings will be reported to the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations.

The Naval Inspector General conducts Readiness and Quality of Life Area Visits to Navy communities world-wide, reporting the findings to the Secretary of the Navy and the Chief of Naval Operations. The Area Visit program also includes assessing identified areas of risk to the Department of the Navy (DON) as well as looking for opportunities to improve Naval

readiness, both ashore and afloat.

2010 CPO scholarship applications available

2010 CPO scholarship applications now available

The Chief Petty Officer Scholarship Fund was established solely for the purpose of generating and distributing funds to provide educational opportunities for qualified family members of Chief Petty Officers. Candidates eligible for scholarship awards are spouses and children (natural born, adopted or stepchildren) of all Chief Petty Officers.

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The number of scholarship awards and the amounts to be disbursed yearly are determined solely by the financial status of the fund. The Chief Petty Officer Scholarship Fund is non-profit and dependent upon Tax-deductible donations to support its educational "Gift of Knowledge."

For more information, requirements and application, visit: <http://www.cposf.org/>

News

Fleet and Family Support Center earns accreditation

By Hannah Munoz
Editor

China Lake's Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) received accreditation for being in full compliance with all Navy Installation Command's authorization standards as of Nov. 16, 2009.

"To earn this achievement requires a high degree of dedication, professionalism, clinical and managerial expertise," according to the Commander, Navy Installations Command's (CNIC) Accreditation letter.

"Accreditation is public recognition of FFSC China Lake's commitment to service at or above nationally-recognized standards. It also means your FFSC staff has met all competency requirements."

Deborah Ernst, FFSC Director, is extremely proud of the accomplishment. She believes the achievement is a reflection of the hard work completed over the past three years by the staff consisting of Licensed and Marriage Family Therapist and Clinical Counselor Laura Sage; Career Counselor Joan Telles; Information & Referral and Relocation Assistant Andy Lara;

Personal Financial Counselor Karen Rivers and Brenda Autobee-Bigalk, contractor, victim advocate and

Ernst mentioned that the Center's staff was well on its way to achieving accreditation standards prior to her arrival in March.

"They are an intelligent and experienced staff, dedicated to providing high-quality services to Sailors, Marines, families, reservists and retirees. My work was minimal," she added.

"When I arrived I revised a few standard operating procedures, made sure we had proof of meeting the accreditation standards and organized the materials for the site visit. It was a good way to quickly learn about all of our programs and services. I had been here only two months before the site visit."

Community Support Program Director, Terry Byerly, who oversees the FFSC, is also pleased

with the staff's success.

"The staff worked very hard for this accreditation certificate and they have made, and will continue to make, a huge positive difference for our Sailors and Marines," said Byerly.

The accreditation evaluation began with a four-day site visit, which started in May 2009. A team of CNIC representatives from other FFSCs evaluated the Center's programs and staff members, taking note of what were acceptable procedures and what needed to be altered at the Center.

The evaluation showed China Lake fell in line with all but one of the accreditation standards. The Emergency Preparedness Program required some alterations to the standard operating procedures and documentation of execution of a tabletop exercise exhibiting staff understanding of the emergency procedures.

Once the corrections were made, China Lake submitted proof and notification of the accreditation certificate was then sent in November 2009.

Although FFSC China Lake has achieved this prestigious accreditation, the Center will continue to receive periodic site visits from Navy Region Southwest. This will ensure training and operating standards are maintained in full compliance and will provide necessary guidance throughout the next three years.

The accreditation certificate expires in 2012.

Ernst is pleased with the direction the FFSC has maintained and her current goal for the Center is to shift some of the perception that FFSC is a place to visit if one is in trouble.

"Sometimes people think of the FFSC as a place you are sent if your security clearance is in jeopardy due to your finances or there is domestic violence in the

family. I want this to be the place you go when you want to improve something or learn something new," said Ernst.

"We offer many proactive services such as budgeting resume writing, career preparation parenting classes and we also host playgroups. I want this to be the place people visit before they run into problems."

China Lake FFSC offers classes in consumer awareness, developing spending plans, car buying strategies, the Career Options and Navy Skills Evaluation Program, interviewing techniques, credit management, personal safety, federal resume building, as well as transitional assistance program classes. Individual Augmentee service member and family support is also available along with life skills and counseling.

For more information about the FFSC services, please call 939-4545.

 Become a fan of the Fleet and Family Readiness (FFR) Facebook page. Get info on FFR programs and services, such as MWR, FFSC and Housing. Watch FFR videos, read the latest news and join a growing community of FFR fans. <http://www.facebook.com/navyffr>



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Fitness center receives new equipment, improves facility

By Hannah Munoz
Editor

With many already struggling to maintain New Year's Resolutions, MWR China Lake has facilitated assistance for those dedicated to achieving their resolutions by adding even more upgrades to its fitness centers.

Although Fitness Center Director Patrick Gleason's priority is to get the Sailors fit, Gleason also intends to attract the Sailors and family members who may be too shy or uncomfortable to come to the gym by providing services for a diverse group.

"I want the gym to be an inviting place in order to get the Active Duty and dependents that don't utilize it to come in," said Gleason.

The recent upgrades consist of multiple circuit training machines, olympic bars, new dumbbells and are also expecting two eight-foot power cages for those focused on strength and size.

New cardio machines, seated bikes and rowing machines will be added to the Main Gym cardio for those looking to increase endurance and add definition. The upstairs will undergo some rearranging to facilitate a more efficient stretching/ab strengthening area.

In addition to these upgrades, the gym flooring was improved and new flat-screen televisions were installed at both the Annex and Main Gym. New shade structures were added to the soccer fields, softball fields, hockey rink and tennis court to provide shade

during the warmer times of the year.

Making their facilities easily accessible for a wide variety of gym goers, the Fitness Center has already seen a significant increase in clientele.

Revamping initially began with Gleason's proposal of necessary changes. Restoring was then allotted after acquiring new equipment through contacts in Navy Region Southwest.

"None of this would have happened without the support of Community Support Program Director Terry Byerly and Recreation Director Heather Taylor," said Gleason.

Following the equipment retrieval process, the fitness center staff, along with other departments of MWR and friends from Naval Base San Diego, teamed up to assist in revamping the facilities.

"Without everyone's hard work, patience and focus on safety, this upgrade could have been a much tougher change," said Gleason. "We have a good team here but there is still room to improve. Everyone served as a piece of the puzzle, and everyone involved in this change deserves credit."

In addition to the many changes recently made, the Fitness Annex continues to be the main stay for the endurance enthusiasts by offering a variety of cardio machines and circuit stations.

The Main Gym houses power lifters and strength trainers by offering olympic bars, squat racks, power cages and heavy dumbbells.

Other activities offered are the rock wall, sauna, indoor swimming pool, lifeguard training, aerobics room, basketball, racquetball and tennis courts, group exercise classes, personal training, intramural sports leagues and fitness events.

Although the staff is pleased with the current facility condition and recent restoration, the upcoming goal is to recruit more Sailors to participate in fitness events and personal training sessions.

With events and four personal training sessions free to Sailors, the certified staff remains steadfast in its priority to keep the sailors fit.

The staff also remains ambitious in continuing to improve their facility. Future goals include



Photo by John Bennett

Fitness Center undergoes recent restoration, with many upgrades including new dumbbells, multiple circuit training machines, Olympic bars and two eight foot power cages machines.

finding an adequate place to build a boxing area and installing a speed and heavy bag.

Plans to redo Schoeffel Softball Field are also in the works. The Fitness Center staff will refurbish the infield by replacing the "gravel" with actual dirt, and then building

a fence. Since the field already has bleachers, lights and a concession stand, Gleason hopes to transform it into the main field.

"I'm trying to improve our Fitness Center and facilities as much as possible by planning ahead," said Gleason.

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*Twilight begins at 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 1:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday

For tee times and more information, call 939-2990.

MV-22 Osprey flight trainer delivered



U.S. Marine Corps photo

The cockpit view of the newest MV-22 Osprey containerized flight training device located at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif.

The newest MV-22 Osprey flight trainer was delivered to Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif. Nov.16.

The fully self-contained, \$8.6 million containerized flight training device (CFTD) is the second of four MV-22 trainers for fleet use at MCAS Miramar, Calif.

"The arrival of this newest MV-22 trainer marks another crucial step in increasing the training opportunities for our fleet aircrews," said Capt. Darryl "Spike" Long, Aviation Training Systems program manager (PMA-205). "V-22 crews use these type of trainers to accomplish more than 50 percent of their training requirements so when we deliver them early, on-time and on-budget, everyone benefits."

Another benefit to these new training systems is how they are designed.

"Once these fully self-contained training systems are built, they only require a concrete pad and dedicated power hookups," said Lt. Col. David Owen, PMA-205, Marine Corps

Department Head. "This saves the Marine Corps quite a bit of military construction funding."

Once operational, the MV-22 CFTDs have a solid history of being reliable with very little maintenance downtime added Owen. "On average, these trainers have a 98 percent reliability rating with an average of only 12 to 15 hours of operational down time due to maintenance per year."

Over time, the cost of these trainers has gone down and their capability has increased according to Owen.

"When the first trainers were bought three years ago, they cost \$12 million each but today they cost \$8.6 million," said Owen, "with the cost reduction and the increasing power of today's computers, we are able to buy additional trainers that have more capability."

The third and fourth trainers are scheduled to be delivered to MCAS Miramar in early to mid-2010. A fifth V-22 flight trainer is scheduled for delivery to MCAS New River, N.C. in the fall of 2010.

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Following this, Funderburk traveled unaccompanied to a small island of Portugal to assist in another commissary grand opening. She then traveled to another small town in Germany, and finally back to Texas.

Although the many moves were necessary for her husband's career, Funderburk remained optimistic with the chance of living various locations, and acquired career knowledge anytime the opportunity existed.

In addition to the stress of constant relocations and a demanding career, Funderburk was also forced into a single-parent role.

Mr. Funderburk was only around about half of the 24 years while being enlisted in the Army due to his demanding job, Funderburk noted.

"You have to have a life of your own while your spouse is away, and you have to learn to take care of yourself," said Funderburk.

Technician apprentice program offers more than a job



Photo by John Johnson

Ken Hayes (left) head of the Weapons Prototype Division, congratulates the six graduates of the technician apprentice program in 2009. With Hayes from left are Ryan Raglin, machinist graduate; George Pruitt, former apprentice coordinator; Ryan Zeigler, machinist graduate; John Talley, apprentice coordinator; Nanette Pearl, production support graduate; George Teate, electronic technician graduate; Chris Ancira, ordnance support electrician graduate; and Daniel Greenwell, ordnance support mechanical technician graduate.

By Renee Hatcher

NAWCWD Public Affairs

The NAWCWD Technician Apprentice Program will be taking applications in February and March, and is looking to place qualified candidates throughout the command where needed.

"We're not just offering jobs, we're offering careers," said Ron Pruitt, an engineering technician

who mentors the machinist apprentices in the machine shop.

Administered through the Machine Shop in the Weapons Prototype Division, this is the only accredited apprentice program at NAWCWD for technicians. The nine trades available are machinist, electronic technician, mechanical engineering technician, ordnance support technician, ordnance processing, non-metallic

parts manufacture, mechanical parts inspection and production support.

The apprentice program is an on-the-job-training-based program that incorporates theory and classroom training. Depending on the trade, the program is either two or three years. Apprentices work full-time while taking classes part-time. Core classes are taken through Cerro Coso, and are coupled with

theory-based learning through the Penn Foster Career School.

"We have a structured program that's been highly successful in working with the local schools to provide qualified technicians for the Weapons Division," said John Talley, education coordinator for the apprentice program.

The Machine Shop has been training its own technicians since the '50s. It continued to 'home grow' its people through the years to keep up with normal attrition rates. In 2002, the division began to restructure its training and incorporated educational requirements. The apprentice program is now fully accredited by the Department of Labor.

The Weapons Prototype Division manages the technician apprentice program through the Student Educational Employment Program, and other codes on the base are encouraged to take advantage of the program. All educational requirements are managed by Talley, and the on-the-job-training is completed on-site with the respective codes.

"I'm glad to work with any codes that are interested in creating a position," Talley said. "We can also modify one of the programs we have to better fit the needs of their organization."

The success of the program has become so well-known that currently there are more applicants than positions to fill.

"Unfortunately, we turn great people away every year because we don't always know about positions that are available in other codes," Pruitt said.

Since 2003, 13 apprentices have graduated. Right now, there are 29

going through the program. There were six graduates in 2009 – Chris Ancira, Daniel Greenwell, Nanette Pearl, Ryan Raglin, George Teate and Ryan Zeigler.

"I started out not knowing anything at all about machining," said Zeigler, who works in the Weapons Prototype Division doing mill machine work. "Now, I feel very capable. The hands-on work and one-on-one mentoring was the best part of the program."

No specific prior experience is required to apply for the apprenticeship.

"It's been great," said Dessarae Rhyn, who was working at a local pizza restaurant before entering the program and is now in her third year. "Everyday, there is something new to learn, and I'm having a lot of fun."

The application process opens in February and runs through March. To be considered for the apprentice program, applicants must be a U.S. citizen 18 or older, and enrolled at least half-time in an education institution maintaining a minimum 2.5 cumulative grade point average. Burroughs High School seniors, and Cerro Coso students carrying six credits are eligible. A resume, transcripts, and a 400-word essay are required. An interview with an eight-person panel is also part of the application process.

"This program is an alternative to getting a four-year degree," Pruitt said. "We're looking for people with a good work ethic and the desire for a meaningful career."

For more information about the technician apprentice program, call Talley at 939-0691.

Lost boy, from page 1

by the Tulare County Sheriff's Office. They coordinated with members of the China Lake Mountain Rescue Group, and Tulare County SAR before beginning the aerial search.

Soon after launching, rescue helicopter "COSO 460" was notified that ground searchers had located Matthew on the side of a hill. Landing the helicopter anywhere within a half-mile of the boy was not an option as the terrain was steep with tall trees, and very rocky.

"This is just the sort of thing that we are made for," said Barham, who had been on a training mission in the same area about a week earlier. "Luckily, this one was text-book."

Hernandez rappelled about 100 feet from the Seahawk and found Matthew alert and cradled in the arms of a ground searcher.

"He was sitting up and was in good spirits," said Hernandez, who performed a medical assessment and found the boy to be hypothermic with no other external injuries besides

bloodied and frostbitten feet.

Within 15 minutes, Hernandez and Matthew were hoisted up to the helicopter, where the crew continued to track his vital signs. Lt. Mercedes Patee, the squadron's flight surgeon, monitored the mission via radio from the VX-31 duty office. With Ybarra's 88-degree body temperature, Patee decided it was best for Matthew to go to Loma Linda. The crew got him to the hospital in less than an hour.

"Our SAR crew pulled off another flawless recovery and saved a young life," said Capt. Eric Holmberg, VX-31 commanding officer. "My hat is off to them."

This was the twelfth rescue mission in 2009 for the VX-31 SAR team.

"It's a pretty good feeling to find a survivor and get him out," Gilbert said. "This was fairly routine for us; it's what we train for everyday."

Generous Donations from IWV Metal Trades



Courtesy photo

Indian Wells Valley Metal Trades Council donated \$1,000 to local organizations this Christmas season. Above, members of the IWV Women's Center accept a \$250 check from Floyd Shoaf, president of the China Lake-based union. Other organizations that benefited were the Salvation Army, Toys for Tots and IWV Project Cares, a KZIQ-sponsored program that supports the troops.

Human Resources/News

Keep Your Family Safe: Practice Operational Security on Social Media

By Bruce Moody

Fleet and Family Support Program, Commander, Navy Installations Command

Sailors and Navy families can keep safe on social media sites by practicing operational security, or OPSEC. Through OPSEC, potential adversaries are prevented from discovering critical information.

For the Navy that includes information about where a ship is going and when it returns home. It also includes information about Sailors who deploy as individual augmentees.

Navy families may not know it, but they play a critical role in keeping Sailors safe. They can protect family and friends by protecting what they know of the day-to-day operations of their loved ones.

There are many countries and organizations that would like to harm Americans and degrade our influence in the world. It's possible, and not unprecedented,

for spouses and family members of U.S. military personnel to be targeted for intelligence collection. This is true in the United States and especially true overseas.

Navy family members all know some bits of critical information. It may not be classified, and it may even seem insignificant. But, to the potential adversary, it's a piece of the puzzle. When you post information for your family and friends, remember that the bad guys are constantly "data mining," searching the Internet for information on military operations.

Here are some guidelines to follow when communicating with people on social media. Don't post:

- o Exact deployment dates or return dates. This applies to ships, subs, squadrons and individual augmentees.
- o Dates or location of a ship's upcoming ports of call.
- o Detailed information about a mission.
- o References to trends in

Leave Transfer Program

The employees listed have been approved as leave recipients under the Leave Transfer Program. These employees have exhausted annual and sick leave because of medical emergencies and anticipate being in a leave-without-pay status for at least 24 hours. Employees who wish to help a leave recipient may donate annual leave to the employee by submitting a completed OPM 630-A Request to Donate Annual Leave (Within Agency) form. Send your completed form to Code 731000D Stop 1316, Attn: Susan Haynes, or you can fax to 939-1173. For more information regarding the Leave Transfer Program, please call Susan Haynes at 939-3892 or DSN 437-3892. The 2009 leave year ends on Jan. 2, 2010.

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Social media allows Sailors and Navy families to keep in contact like never before. It's a wonderful way to feel close to someone who's far away. Sailors

and Navy families are encouraged to enjoy the connection that social media offers while practicing good OPSEC and keeping mindful of the risks presented with the widespread dissemination of information.

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Can you identify this 17 year old in this Senior Picture from high school? He was a district sales manager for Legg's Pantyhose before joining the Navy.

If he's not out driving fast, he can be found involved in outdoor recreation or cooking, cooking and then of course, cooking some more.

Guesses for this week's photo, and photos for future issues may be sent to Cathy Braem via e-mail at cathy.braem@navy.mil. Prior to publication, the person in the photo must give permission.

Congratulations

Charlene Crouch and Captain Mark Storch correctly identified Debbie Ashley in the Dec. 17 issue.

NAVAIR 6.0 interns complete training



Photo by Hannah Munoz

NAVAIR Weapons Division 6.0 Logistics Interns completed a four-month training series focused on Ordnance Assessment that took place bi-weekly, culminating with a four-hour wrap up session entitled "Ordnance Assessment 101". New employees also took part in the four hour session. The eight-part training series was developed by Po Chen as part of his Senior Project, a requirement for graduation from the Intern Program, under the direction of the Instructor Patrick McGarry. The NAWCWD 6.0 Competency Lead Dru Chacon, presented certificates of completion and expressed her thoughts and vision for the Logistics Competency and reinforced the importance of ordnance assessment on the Weapon Systems of today and tomorrow. Chacon thanked McGarry and also Kathy Smith, the 6.0 Logistics Competency intern program manager. Smith currently coaches and mentors 19 interns. Pictured from left to right in the front row: Edwin Racelis, Jill Stansell, Po Chen, Vicki Chu, Dru Chacon, Rhoda Cutchon, Marina Ramirez, Stephanie Tharp, Amanda Bell, Jason Wong and Keith Patman. Back Row: Back Row: Patrick McGarry, Andrew Wall, Barry Olson, Kim Sibre, Jason Webb, Brandy Miller, Michael Fletcher, John Burgoyne, Ginger Gill and Jesus Nevarez. Not pictured are: Chris Gill, Julie Hendrickx and Kim Lundstorf.



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Top Rope Basics - Monday, Jan. 25
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Extended Full Moon Hike - Saturday, Jan. 30
Sign up by 1/15

Kayak Safety Clinic - Wednesday, Feb. 3
Sign up by 1/29

Kern River Day Hike - Saturday, Feb. 13
Sign up by 2/5

Big Bear Day Trip - Saturday, Feb. 20
Sign up by 2/5

Outdoor Recreation also rents boats, camping trailers, bikes, camping gear, canoes, and party equipment.



Sunday, Feb. 21

Sign up by Feb. 5

Military \$75 DoD \$80 Community \$85

For more information and sign-ups for the Auto Club 500 trip, contact Information, Tickets and Tours (ITT) Bldg. 17 Blandy Ave or 939-8644.

Coming in March

Basic Mountain Bike Clinic - Wednesday, March 3

Woof Run/Walk - Friday, March 12

Castle X Paintball Trip - Saturday, March 13

Chimney Peak Mountain Bike Ride - Saturday, March 13

Family Fun Dinner Night - Thursday, March 18

Community Appreciation Free Golf Day - Friday, March 19

Castle X Basketball Clinic - Monday - Friday, March 22-26

Kernville White Water Rafting - Saturday, March 27

Full Moon Hike - Monday, March 29

Read our latest edition of *Desert Winds Quarterly* or www.mwrtoady.com for more information about community support events coming soon!



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- Community Appreciation Free Golf Day
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Family Fun Dinner Night

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Thursday, Jan. 21 at 6 p.m.

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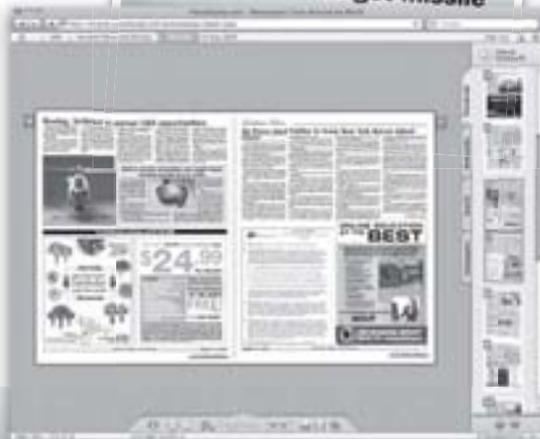
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- Misc. Wanted

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- Furniture & Appliances
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- Roommate Wanted
- Rooms For Rent

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