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News briefs:

Appointment:

Secretary of Defense Leon E. Panetta announced today that the President has nominated Navy Rear Adm. William D. French for appointment to the rank of vice admiral and for assignment as commander, Navy Installations Command, Washington, D.C. French is currently serving as commander, Navy Region Southwest, San Diego, Calif.

CFC:

This year the Combined Federal Campaign will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary. The CFC Kick-Off event at China Lake will be held on the Administration Building lawn Oct. 21 from 11:30 to 12:30. Volunteers are still being sought to become this year's Indian Wells Valley Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) Key Workers. Please email Liz Allen at elizabeth.e.allen@navy.mil or call (760) 939-4719 if you are interested.

Bishop visit:

Auxiliary Bishop Neal J. Buckon, Vicar for the Western Region of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, U.S.A., will be visiting the Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake Friday, Oct. 7.

A fellowship dinner for the Catholic Active Duty Congregation, with special guest, Bishop Buckon, will be held at 4 p.m. in the East Wing of the All Faith Chapel. All active duty military personnel and their families are invited

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BRAC ribbon cuttings, six years in the making

By Theresa Goldstrand
NAWCWD PAO

Sept. 15, marked the end of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) effort allowing Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division (NAWCWD) to close a chapter in its command history.

Three ribbon cuttings were held on the official "final day" of BRAC 2005, following the completion of three testing facilities, the Weapons Survivability Laboratory, the Fuze Test Center Facility and the Weapons Dynamic Research Development Test and Evaluation Center Facility.

According to NAWCWD Commander Rear Adm. Mat Winter, the BRAC initiation was promulgated through law by Congress to better posture the Navy for the future. As a result, NAWCWD became the Department of the Navy's Weapons and Armament Center of Excellence. Six Navy weapons development and integration activities were relocated to NAWCWD and 10 new laboratories, test facilities, magazines and offices were constructed to accommodate personnel who filled more than 1,000 jobs.

Ruth Hogan, BRAC Implementation program manager was recognized for her three-year management effort that



Official Navy photo
NAWCWD Commander Rear Adm. Mat Winter and NAWCWD Executive Director Scott O'Neil flank Jay Kovar, head of the Vulnerability branch, as he cuts the ribbon at the Weapons Survivability Laboratory.

culminated the \$400 million, 10-facility construction project. Official visitors and guests included Senator Jean Fuller (California's 18th District); Will Cushing, district director for Assemblywoman Shannon Grove; Ben McFarland, field representative for Congressman

Kevin McCarthy; Rear Adm. Randy Mahr, commander, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division; Cmdr. Bryan Heller, representing Navy Region Southwest; Ray Brule, director of Infrastructure Business Operations; Ridgecrest Mayor pro-

tem Chip Holloway; Ridgecrest City Manager Kurt Wilson, and Ridgecrest City Councilman Jason Patin.

During his address at the Weapons Dynamic RDT&E center, Winter stated, "NAWCWD is one team – focused on providing our warfighter the decisive advantage."

Wild burro's relocated from installation



The Station's Environmental Management Division (EMD) successfully completed the annual roundup of feral burros over the Labor Day weekend. Fifty-five burros were gathered from the South Range and transported to the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Wild Horse and Burro Facility.

The Navy was assigned responsibility for management of burro populations with the passage of the Desert Protection Act in 1994. Amendments to the California Desert Conservation Area plan prepared by the BLM in the early 1980's established

a goal of zero burros on Navy, BLM and nearby Park Service lands. The Navy continues to work with its neighboring land managers to conduct annual gathers in an attempt to meet this goal.

Roundups are closely coordinated by the Navy with the BLM and their gather crews to ensure that all animals are humanely captured and safely removed from the ranges. Animals are provided with health checks and vaccinations prior to adoption to the general public via the BLM's adoption program.

Photo by Tom Campbell

A wrangler gently coaxes a wild burro to the holding pen.

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NAWCWD command evaluation program annual update

NAWCWD Team— a hearty Happy New Year and welcome to FY-12! I would like to express my sincere appreciation to each of you for your dedicated efforts, warfighter focus and commitment to accomplishing our RDAT&E/Fleet-Support mission over this past year. As we start FY12, we will continue our command focus on providing an environment of inclusion, opportunity and common purpose to do the same. With that, I want to take a moment of your time to summarize the tenants of our Command Evaluation Program (aka. Hotline Program) and highlight the new updates that will provide better access, implementation and accountabilities.

For those new employees that might be unfamiliar with this program, a bit of background to start. The Hotline Program is an important element of the NAWCWD Integrity and Efficiency Program and is designed to strengthen efforts to combat fraud, waste, abuse or mismanagement throughout the command. To be effective, the program requires all personnel to be vigilant against the possibility of illegal or improper acts, and to report any improprieties up their chain of command or to the Command Evaluation and Control (CE&C) Office which serves as my NAWCWD Hotline Program coordinator.

This program was established to help protect the command's resources and is a reliable informational source to me in my commitment to maximizing integrity and efficiency in all command programs, operations and activities. You have my promise that prompt, responsive, and impartial action will be taken to investigate any/all substantive allegations and to pursue remedial measures that will hold appropriate folks accountable according to applicable laws, regulations, and directives. In turn, each of you have a responsibility to assess our own behavior and ensure you are abiding by all appropriate statutes and regulations.

As a first step when dealing with any issue, I encourage all personnel (military/civilian) to resolve the problem using their chain of command, thereby allowing it to be addressed at the lowest level. If personnel reasonably believe reprisal will be taken for bringing such an issue to their chain of command or believe their chain of command has been unresponsive, the Hotline Program provides alternative reporting methods as follows.

The NAWCWD Hotline Webpage has been redesigned to provide multiple methods of reporting significant cases of fraud, waste, abuse or mismanagement. A link to the webpage is found in the footer

section of the new NAWCWD WingSpan page.

If you need to report an issue and don't have access to your NMCI account, a public website will be available within the next few weeks and will be accessible from any computer by using the following link:

<http://www.navair.navy.mil/nawcwd/nawcwd/support/fwa.htm>

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In closing, I want to ensure each of you that your command leadership is committed to providing an environment of inclusion and opportunity where every one's input/efforts is valued, respected and held accountable. You are part of a world class organization that continues to make a difference every day for our warfighters. It is imperative that we work together as a team to that end. For additional information on the program, personnel may contact my CE&C Team directly at DSN 437-3556/2159 or at DSN 351-1959.

Keep up the great work!

— Rear Admiral Mat Winter, Commander, Naval Air Warfare Center, Weapons Division

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Rev. James Dowds, Catholic priest

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Military

Christina Lumba promoted to Lt. Cmdr. American Legion Post 684 donates to Chief Petty Officer Association



Photo by Peggy Shoaf

PMLt. Cmdr. Richard Stacey, officer-in-charge of the Branch Health Clinic, China Lake, had Lt. Cmdr. Christina Lumba, the clinic's head nurse, recite her enlistment oath at her recent promotion ceremony. After the oath, Lumba's husband, Jason, a Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division employee, helped Lumba pin on her new rank.



Photo by Michael Roach

American Legion Post 684 donates to the Chief Petty Officers Association(CPOA) for the Operation Homefront Toy Drive coordinated by the local CPOA, accepting the check from Legion member Tom Llewellyn is April Bravo from Lincoln Military Housing. Standing alongside from left to right: ADC Salvadore Orbita, ADCS David Lyman, AMC Jason Harmon, Chris Alexander, Dorie Hillard, Joseph Clark Lincoln Military housing, AOC Amy Miller, AOC David Connolly and Al Wood.

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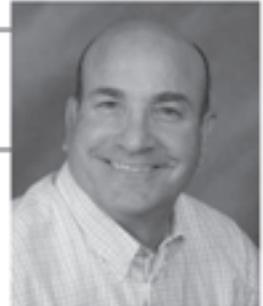
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Ombudsman appreciation at China Lake



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Ombudsmen Teresa Draves (left), Jennifer Connolly (middle) and Adelfa Taylor cut the cake at the lunchtime celebration.



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Ombudsmen along with local military leaders gather outside of Mulligans Grill to celebrate and show appreciation for the volunteer work done to support local military at China Lake.



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NAWS Ombudsman Adelfa Taylor accepts a certificate of appreciation from NAWS CO Capt. Jeffrey Dodson.



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VX-31 Ombudsman Teresa Draves accepts a certificate of appreciation from VX-31 CO Lt. Col. Andre Mercier.



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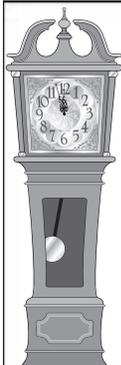
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Roger Zurn awarded for 20 years of service



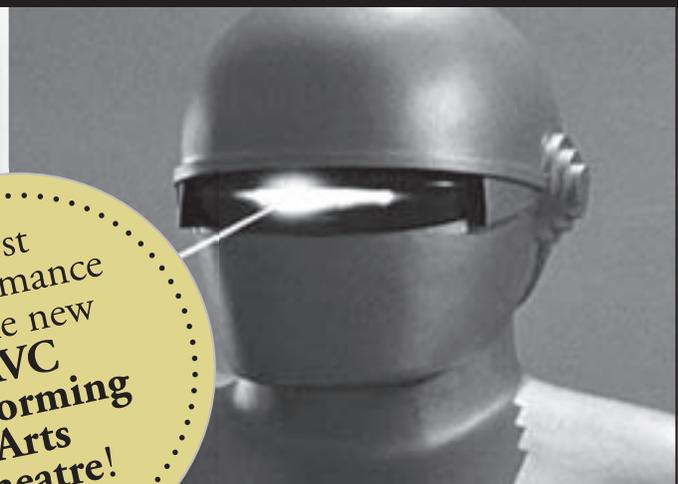
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Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS) China Lake Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson presents Kathryn Killinger with a certificate and pin for 30 years of government service.

NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson presents Roger Zurn with a certificate and pin for 20 years of government service.

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It's Fire Prevention Week, protect your family from fire

China Lake Fire Department Personell encourage residents to keep their homes safe during Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15

What's the best way to protect your family from fire? Be ahead of the game, of course. With more than 360,000 home fires reported in the United States in 2009, according to the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), your best defense is a good offense.

That's why China Lake Federal Fire Department is teaming up with NFPA during the Oct. 9-15, to let our community know: "It's Fire Prevention Week. Protect your Family from Fire!" This year's campaign focuses on preventing the leading causes of home fires — cooking, heating and electrical equipment, as well as candles and smoking materials. Additionally, it urges people to protect their homes and families with life-saving technology and planning.

"In 2009, 2,565 people died in home fires. Nearly all of these deaths could have been prevented by taking a few simple precautions, like having working smoke alarms and a home fire escape plan, keeping things that can burn away from the

stove and always turning off space heaters before going to bed," says Fire Chief Ron Sparling of the China Lake Federal Fire Department. "Fire is a dangerous opponent, but by anticipating the hazards, you are much less likely to be one of the nearly 13,000 people injured in home fires each year."

China Lake Federal Fire Department personell offers the following tips for protecting your home and family from fire:

- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.

- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.

- Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.

- Replace or repair damaged or loose electrical cords.

- If you smoke, smoke

outside.

- Use deep, wide ashtrays on a sturdy table.

- Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed. Avoid the use of candles in the bedroom and other areas where people may fall asleep.

"While preventing home fires at NAWS China Lake is always our number one priority, it is not always possible. China Lake's residents need to provide the best protection to keep their homes and families safe in the event of a fire. This can be achieved by developing an escape plan which you practice regularly and equipping homes with life-saving technologies like smoke alarms and home fire sprinklers."

The following tips will help keep your family safe if there is a fire in your home:

- Install smoke alarms inside each bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home (including the basement).

- Interconnect all smoke alarms in the home so when one

sounds, they all sound.

- Test smoke alarms at least monthly and replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old or sooner if they do not respond when tested.

- Make sure everyone in your home knows how to respond if the smoke alarm sounds.

- Pull together everyone in your household and make a plan. Walk through your home and inspect all possible ways out. Households with children should consider drawing a floor plan of your home, marking two ways out of each room, including windows and doors.

- If you are building or remodeling your home, consider installing home fire sprinklers.

During Fire Prevention Week the Fire Department personell will be promoting "It's Fire Prevention Week. Protect your Family from Fire!" Through these educational activities, residents can learn more about the power of prevention and available technologies to protect their own families from fire.

To find out more about Fire Prevention Week programs and activities at NAWS China Lake, please contact the China Lake Fire Department at 939-2146.

The CLFD will be hosting activities with an open house at Fire Station 21, Oct. 11-13 and informational booths at the following locations:

Date	Morning	Afternoon
11 October 2011	NEX	Branch Medical
12 October 2011		McLean Lab
13 October 2011	Airfield Cafe	Michelson Lab

Building a Community of "One Voice Against Domestic Violence"



Photo by Michael Roach

John Haefele helps his wife, Deborah Ernst, who is program manager for the Fleet & Family Support Center at the Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, put up signs and purple silhouettes up and down Blandy to remind everyone that October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and that everyone is affected when domestic violence occurs in a household. This year's national theme is "One Voice Against domestic Violence."

Upcoming at Fleet and Family

Employees of the Fleet and Family Support Center will host a "Healthy Relationships" Family Event Friday, Oct. 21, from 1:30 to 5 p.m. at the Fleet and Family Support Center Building, 610 Blandy Avenue. Attendees will be able to enjoy bounce houses, crafts, and family games, as well as ask questions from a representative from Child Protective Services or a Chaplain. Desert Area Resources and Training will have the "Good touch, Bad Touch" puppeteer on hand and the Women's Center High Desert will hold a Conflict Resolution Workshop. Laura Sage, a marriage and family therapist with Fleet & Family Support will also hold a 5 Love Languages Workshop.

Each year, leaders and advocates across the nation proclaim October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. But a yearly proclamation is not enough. The severity of the problem calls for every person to be engaged in ending domestic violence, year-round.

The Navy's theme this year focuses on using our voice to stop it: "One Voice Against Domestic Violence." Everyone is being challenged to step up and speak out against domestic violence.

The Navy community has the professional ability and heartfelt motivation to address domestic violence.

Its Family Advocacy Program assesses, treats and educates thousands of offenders and victims of domestic violence each year. However, domestic violence will continue to live in the shadows until the entire community becomes proactive and sheds light on this social issue.

We are asking families to get involved and address domestic violence at home, at work and in the community. Families are being called upon to speak up when they suspect someone is in danger. Being wrong about suspicious behavior provides a better outcome than being right and staying silent.

We are sending a message that people do not have to walk the fine line between being a "nosy

neighbor" and being a caring, mindful individual. People decide to turn a blind eye to subtle (and sometimes obvious) indicators of domestic violence. They say, "It's none of my business," "I don't want him/her to be mad at me," or "It's his/her fault if he/she stays and put up with it." There is something that all of us can say and do when someone we know or love is in an abusive relationship. We want to teach the community to be ready with resources. Through education, we can plant the seeds on how to respond and subsequently, more people getting involved will mean more families will get help with one of America's "hidden" family issues.

With this year's theme, we want to give everyone in our community useful resources when they are faced with an abusive relationship. Occasionally, this will entail direct interactions or conversations with those involved in the abuse, but other times it may include picking up the phone and getting connected to domestic violence resources available in the community. It is our hope to encourage communities to reach deeper than just reporting violence, but also to become educated on the dynamics of abuse. Through education and encouragement, we can begin to dispel the myths that discourage involvement and promote healthier communities as a whole.



News

NAWS team awards issued for excellence

China Lake Fire Department

Morale Welfare and Recreation Catering



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Paul Nelson (left) and Phorn Sothison flank NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson, who awarded them the NAWS Team Award for their exceptional performance.

MWR Catering received the NAWS Team award for their continued professional service. Front row from left to right: Wendy Bartley, Maria Jimenez, Susan Kerns, Juanita Lavery, Sarah Osilla, Yolanda Pecson, Marybell Macasa and Manny Apoyan. In the back row from left to right: NAWS Commanding Officer Capt. Jeffrey Dodson, Jolleen Cribb and Cory Day. Not pictured are Caitlin Baker, Linda Benson, Catherine Duff, and David Riddell.

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China Lake Celebration of Naval Aviation next weekend

China Lake will honor the Centennial of Naval Aviation with a weekend-long Celebration of Naval Aviation, Oct. 14 -16. Whether active, inquisitive, hungry or in need of relaxation, six affordable and family-friendly events will offer something for the entire family. All events taking place at Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake are open to the public and do not require special access to the base.

Friday, Oct. 14

CoNA Scramble Golf Tournament

The CoNA Scramble Golf Tournament is a four-person scramble team format tournament open to all ages. Taking place at the China Lake Golf Course, sign-in will begin at 7 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. The cost is \$65 per person and includes green fees, use of a cart, breakfast, lunch and the awards ceremony. Team registration closes at 4 p.m. on Oct. 7. Registration forms can be found at the Celebration website listed below or by calling Lindy Page of Morale, Welfare and Recreation at (760) 939-2602.

CoNA Community Barbecue

Indulge in relaxation, good food and quality entertainment at the CoNA Community Barbecue from 5 to 9 p.m. Held at Solar Park on Blandy Ave. in the heart of China Lake's main side, the barbecue is open to all ages and admission and parking are free. Barbecued pork sandwiches, bratwurst and all of the trimmings will be available for purchase. In addition to the park's playground, a bounce house will be available for children while live music from The Paid in Full Band will entertain the adults.

Saturday, Oct. 15

CoNA Fun Run

Get some exercise while celebrating naval aviation at the CoNA Fun Run. A never-run-before course has been created specifically for the Celebration weekend and will take you by the most visually interesting and historical points of China Lake's main side. Sign-in will begin at 8 a.m. in the Sports and Fitness Complex parking lot, also the starting point for the run. Registration is open to all ages and closes Oct. 7. Download the registration form at the Celebration website listed below or by calling Lindy Page of Morale, Welfare and Recreation at (760) 939-2602.

Centennial of Naval Aviation Festival

The highlight event of the Celebration, the Centennial of Naval Aviation Festival will allow public access to China Lake's Armitage Field that has not been available since the late 1980's. The Festival will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. with Sandquist gate opening at 10:30 a.m. and the airfield gate opening at 11 a.m. Admission and parking are free.

Nearly every model of

fixed and rotary-wing aircraft currently flown by China Lake's operational and experimental test squadrons will be on display at the event including two F/A-18s that were painted in the 1960's color scheme to honor the Centennial of Naval Aviation. An S3-B Viking will also be flown in by Air Test and Evaluation Squadron (VX) 30 of Naval Air Warfare Center Weapons Division's sister site, Point Mugu, especially for this event. The four-seat, twin-engine plane was retired from front-line fleet service aboard aircraft carriers in 2009, but continues to be flown by VX-30 for range clearance and surveillance operations. In addition, an unmanned aircraft will be on display as well as a Canadian CF-18 Hornet and private aircraft from local community members.

Accompanying the aircraft will be displays by Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit Three and demonstrations from the China Lake Fire Department as well as a kids' zone featuring a climbing wall, an obstacle course and bounce houses. Food, souvenir and information booths, and live music from The Paid in Full Band will round out the festivities.

"Welcome Flyboys" 40's Dance

To commemorate the early years of what would become China Lake, the Historical Society of the Upper Mojave Desert will host a "Welcome Flyboys" 40's Dance at the Historic USO Building on Ridgecrest Blvd.

Completed in late 1943 and closed in January 1945, the Historic USO Building was a federally-commissioned structure that became the social hub and spirit of the area. Dances, meetings and teas, to name a few, were held weekly during its short life as a USO Building.

This 40's dance will be a chance to visit or revisit the era in which the "Greatest Generation" came of age, patriotism was high and everyone was doing their part to support the war effort. A dance lesson will begin at 7 p.m. with the dance following at 8 p.m. 1940's-era clothing is encouraged and a contest will be held to determine who dressed the best for the event. Big Band X-Press will provide the swinging tunes.

This event is open to the public. Tickets cost \$10 and will be available at the door. For more information, call the Historical

Society at (760) 375-8456.

Sunday, Oct. 16

Memory Lane Pancake Breakfast

The China Lake Chief Petty Officer Association and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ship 4084 will co-host the Memory Lane Pancake Breakfast, the final event of the Celebration weekend, 7 to 10 a.m. at the VFW Ship 4084 building on Alvord St. in Ridgecrest.

Enjoy a stack of pancakes, choice of bacon or sausage and a beverage while recounting memories of naval aviation or of experiences had during the Celebration. This event is open to the public. Tickets are \$5 pre-sale or \$7 at the door and can be purchased at the VFW Ship 4084 or by calling ACC Allen Downing at (760) 939-???.

Media

Media are welcome at all of the Celebration of Naval Aviation events. Those interested in covering the Centennial of Naval Aviation Festival Oct. 15 must register with the Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake Public Affairs Office and check in at the media booth upon arrival at the event. Please call (760) 939-1683 to register.

Safety and security top priorities at Celebration of Naval Aviation

NAWS China Lake and its tenant commands are committed to providing guests fun and safe experiences during the China Lake Celebration of Naval Aviation. In order to ensure everyone's safety, we ask that you observe the following guidelines:

NO smoking at the Festival within the airfield fence line. Smoking will only be permitted in designated areas in the airfield parking lots. Please note that you and the items you carry will be subject to search EACH TIME you re-enter the airfield. Smoking

is permitted, but discouraged, at the other Celebration events held on the Main Side of the installation.

NO pedestrian or bicycle crossing through Main or Sandquist gates.

- NO fighting.
- NO protesting.
- NO political activity.
- NO sexual or racial harassment.

Vehicle Policies

All vehicles driven onboard China Lake must be properly registered and have

insurance.

- The China Lake Police Department enforces all California Motor Vehicle laws.
- Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit onboard NAWS is 25 mph.
- Cell phones will not be operated by the driver of an automobile unless in "hands-free" mode.

Items Allowed at the Events

Small coolers (medical purposes only)
Fanny packs

Purses

Camera bags (smaller than 1 cubic foot)
Diaper bags
Collapsible strollers
Umbrellas
Wheelchairs

Items Prohibited at the Events

Chairs (at the Festival)
All other coolers (hard or soft, unless medically required)
Backpacks and Camelpacks
Narcotics and paraphernalia (no illegal substances of any kind)

Camera bags (larger than 1 cubic foot) – Accredited members of the media are an exception
Roller blades, skates and skateboards

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Pets (unless a trained seeing-eye dog aiding a person with a disability)

For a list of security rules online, please visit the website below. Please direct all security and safety related questions to the NAWS China Lake Public Affairs Office at (760) 939-1683.

For more information about the Centennial of Naval Aviation and the Celebration weekend, please visit the event website.

www.chinalakecelebration.com



Photo by Tom Campbell

A burro leads the way for two wranglers.



Photo by Michael Roach

A wrangler leads a burro from the pen to the trailer.



Photo by Kathryn Killinger

A cowboy pets a foal.



Photo by Michael Roach

A wrangler walks a burro from the pen to the trailer.



Photo by Tom Campbell

Two wranglers get off their horses to walk a burro into the pen.

News/ Human Resources
This date in U.S. Navy history
Oct. 6:

1884 - The Department of the Navy establishes the Naval War College at Newport, R.I.

1940 - The fourth group of eight U.S. destroyers involved in the Destroyers for Bases Deal are turned over to British authorities in Halifax, Canada.

1943 - In the Battle of Vella Lavella, three U.S. destroyers attack nine Japanese destroyers to stop evacuation of Japanese troops from Vella Lavella, Solomon Islands.

Oct. 7:

1864 - USS Washusett captures Confederate raider CSS Florida in harbor of Bahia, Brazil.

1924 - Rigid airship Shenandoah commences transcontinental flight.

1975 - President Gerald Ford signs law allowing admission of women into service academies.

Oct. 8:

Bishop visit, Front Page

to attend. To ensure there is enough food, please call NAWS Public Affairs at 939-1683, or e-mail Peggy Shoaf at peggy.shoaf@navy.mil, if you plan on

1812 - A boat party under Lt. Jesse D. Elliott captures HMS Detroit and Caledonia in the Niagara River.

1950 - The 1st Marine Division commences embarkation at Inchon for landings in Wonsan, Korea.

1961 - USS Tulare (AKA 112) and USS Princeton (CVS 7) rescue seamen from an American and a Lebanese merchant ship, which were aground on Kita Daita Jima.

Oct. 9:

1873 - Lt. Charles Belknap calls a meeting at the Naval Academy to establish the U.S. Naval Institute for the purpose of disseminating scientific and professional knowledge throughout the Navy.

1942 - The first three schools for enlisted WAVES open in Stillwater, Okla. (yeoman); Bloomington, Ind. (storekeepers); and Madison, Wis. (radiomen).

attending. While reservations are not required, they are recommended to ensure proper seating.

Father James Dowds, the contracted priest for the Catholic Congregation, and Bishop Buckon will perform a

Leave Transfer Program

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: Madonna Clark, or you can fax to 939-1423. For more information regarding the Leave Transfer Program, please call Madonna Clark at 939-8103 or DSN 437-8103. The 2011 leave year ends on 1 January 2012.

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special Mass at 6 p.m. Military personnel are requested to wear their uniforms, to allow the Most Reverend Buckon to distinguish who is military and

who is not.

Following the mass, there will be a fellowship reception at the Paradise Café, where members of the All Faith

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News

Danny Morse awarded Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award



Photo by Michael Roach
Public Works Officer Cmdr. Rod W. Tribble stands by as Lt. Norma Soto-Robles presents Acquisition Branch Supervisor Danny R. Morse with the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award.

By Michael Roach
Editor, Rocketeer II

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest China Lake (NAVFAC) Acquisition Branch Supervisor Danny R. Morse was awarded the Navy's Meritorious Civilian Service Award last week for his group's stellar performance during the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) at Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS) China Lake.

Morse began his career at NAWS China Lake in 1973 at the Public Works Department. From there he moved to Acquisitions in 1989 before transferring to EFA Northwest in Washington for five years and then Naval Base Ventura County for ten years. Morse was asked to return to China Lake in 2004 as the Acquisition Branch supervisor.

Soon after his return, the 2005 BRAC announcements were made, which dramatically

increased the workload of Morse's office.

According to his citation, Morse "accomplished China Lake's typical \$40 million construction workload and flawlessly handled the additional requirements of the 10 project \$190 million BRAC, five project \$15 million Recovery and Reinvestment Act and the solicitation, award of a new 10 year \$130 million Base Operating Service Contract."

"There are a lot of people behind this award, people who worked many hours to make all this happen," said Morse. "Mr. Jerry Manley accepted the BRAC challenge during this time while the remaining specialists helped absorb his workload. One person can't do it all, I was fortunate to be the one who received the award."

The Meritorious Civilian Service award is the highest honor that the Navy can bestow upon a civilian employee.

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49ers at Lions - 10 am
Colts at Bengals - 10 am
Browns at Raiders - 1:05 pm
Texans at Ravens - 1:05 pm
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Monday October 17

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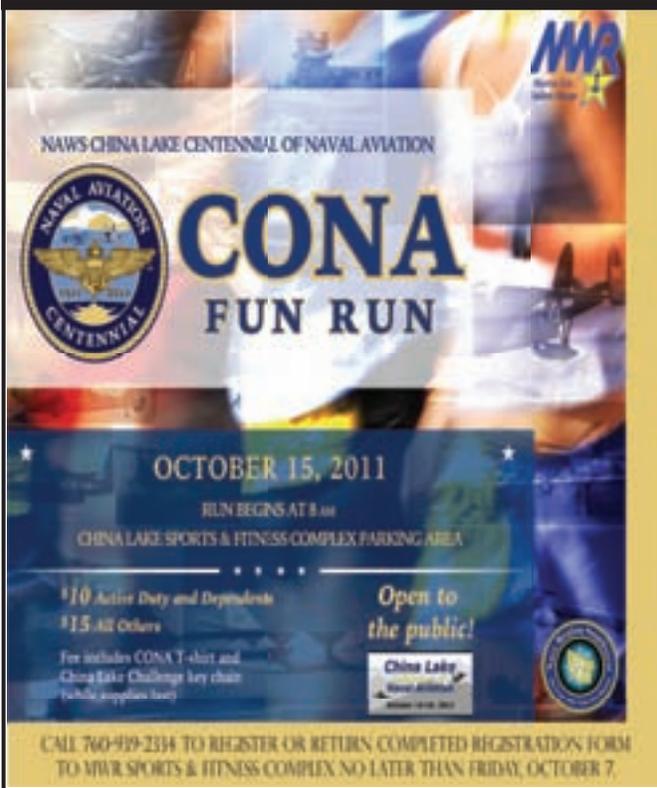
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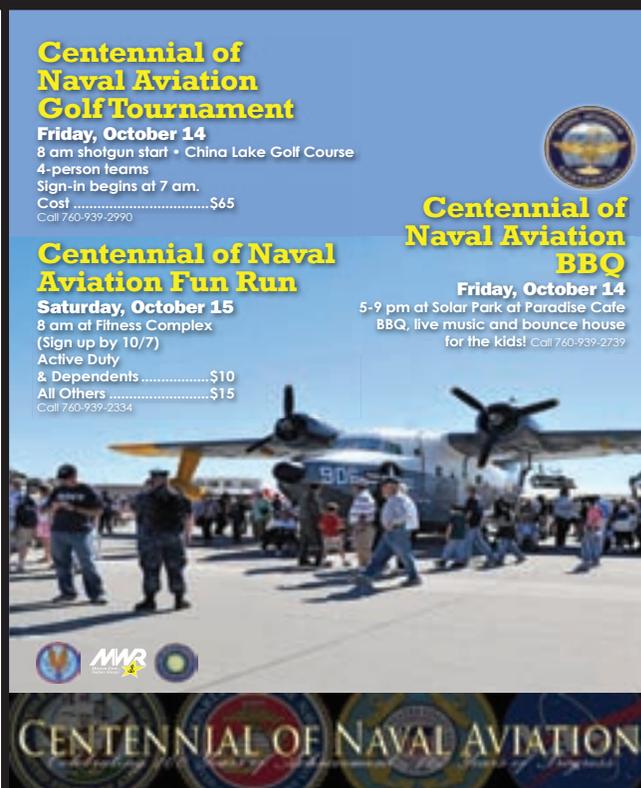
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