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Wind & Sand Concludes 18 Years Of Publication

With this issue the Wind & Sand, civilian enterprise post newspaper of White Sands Missile Range, bows out after more than 18 years of publication.

Volume XIX, No. 11, dated May 31, 1968, will be the final issue of Wind & Sand. The first issue — Volume I, No. 1 — was published in February or March of 1950. (The exact date of the first issue is unknown since copies are no longer in existence.)

There will be no post newspaper for the next two weeks. Issues which normally would have been published on June 7 and June 14 will be skipped entirely.

After two weeks, a complete new post newspaper will succeed the Wind & Sand. The first issue of the new paper will be distributed on post Friday, June 21.

The new post newspaper, also a civilian enterprise (carrying paid advertising), will have a new name, a new printing process with new typography, a new publisher and new — earlier — copy deadlines.

The new publisher will be Wendell Faught of Deming, N.M., editor and publisher of



William W. Steele

Range Employees Win High Offices In Toastmasters

Three White Sands Missile Range employees were elected to high offices in Toastmasters International's District 23 last week.

At the same time other White Sands employees as well as their club president received special recognition during the district's annual meeting held in Carlsbad May 24 and 25.

William W. Steele, an employee in White Sands' Atmospheric Sciences Office, was elected district governor while F. Thomas Starkweather of National Range Operations was named Area IV governor. Both are El Paso residents.

As District governor, Mr. Steele now heads 37 Toastmasters clubs and some 750 members in the state of New Mexico and city of El Paso which make up District 23.

In the capacity of area governor, Mr. Starkweather will direct activities of seven Toastmasters clubs in Area IV, which includes Las Cruces, White Sands, Alamogordo and Silver City.

Ed Denzler, an employee with the Manned Spacecraft Center here and Las Cruces resident was named lieutenant governor for the southern part of the district. At the same time he was chosen as the outstanding area governor for the past year.

White Sands Toastmasters were recognized for attaining the highest membership in District 23 and for having the most effective Toastmaster display during the district meet. At the same time the local club's achievement manual was judged the best in the district for the third consecutive year.

The White Sands Toastmasters Club was founded in 1961. It meets each Wednesday at 11:45 a.m. at the Officers' Open Mess. A second club was recently organized on post. Known as the Chaparral club, it meets at the NCO Club each Thursday at 11:45 a.m.

Navy League Visits Range

A group of 30 ladies and men from the Lubbock, Texas, Navy League visited USNOMTF on 23 and 24 May. They were given a complete tour of the base and witnessed a missile firing.

CDR W. J. McBurney, Navy Deputy for National Range Operations, briefed the guests on the operations of the National Range. General briefings on facilities were provided by LT J. D. Harris, Technical Officer. The Navy League tour included a visit to Missile Park and the Desert Ship, as well as the Navy Missile Hangar.

The final event of the two-day visit was the observation of the flight test of a Standard extended-range missile. The Standard missile is one of the Navy's newest missiles and will replace the Tartar and Terrier missiles in the fleet when it becomes operational.

Draft Calls Down

The Defense Department has issued a call for 15,000 inductees for July and requested the June draft call be reduced from 29,500 to 20,000.

The June draft call is the lowest since April 1967 when 11,400 men were requested by DOD. (AFPS)

Increased Demands For Post Housing Necessitates Moves

About 150 family housing units are now being readied at White Sands Missile Range for occupancy by officers and enlisted personnel of both the Army and Air Force.

Most of the quarters being prepared will be occupied by Air Force personnel and their families who are scheduled to arrive at Holloman Air Force Base in the near future from Europe.

Because of the additional demand, an official at the range indicated that for the first time in recent years, government quarters will be in short supply.

The official added that the increased demand will necessitate the relocation of about 80 ineligible families and their sponsors. The terminations will be phased out by reassignment or by relocation to nearby communities.

In making the announcement the official said quarters allowances, authorized by Congress are deducted as rental costs from the salaries of servicemen and women occupying government housing. The allowances vary according to rank.

Government quarters are provided, when available, to senior enlisted men and officers as an incentive to make the service a career. When excess housing exists, it may be assigned to those individuals who are not otherwise eligible.

The Missile Range family housing office is now working with local chambers of commerce in Las Cruces and El Paso, as well as with local rental agencies to locate suitable housing for personnel to be relocated.

Tour Sunday To Honor Author Eugene Rhodes

"Paso por aqui" — "he passed by here."

This inscription is on the grave of Eugene Manlove Rhodes, high in the San Andres Mountains on the western edge of White Sands Missile Range.

The annual pilgrimage to Gene Rhodes' grave, about 17 miles east of Eingle on State Road 52 (Range Road 6), will be held Sunday, June 2.

"Paso por Aqui" was the title of one of the cowboy

author's novels, made into a movie under the title "Four Faces West" in the late 1940's. The setting for this novel was Rhodes' beloved Tularosa Basin between the San Andres and Sacramento mountain ranges.

The tours are sponsored by the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, with the cooperation of officials of White Sands Missile Range. This year's tour will be the 17th annual visit to the grave in Rhodes Canyon.

The site is near the headquarters building of Rhodes' homestead and ranch which at one time, prior to his departure around 1906, stretched for 100 miles and covered 6,000 acres.

The ceremony at the grave will begin about 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Principal speaker will be retired Army Brigadier General C. H. Tenney, resident of Las Cruces and member of the staff of New Mexico State University.

General Tenney is a recognized authority on the life and works of Eugene Rhodes.

Alan Rhodes of Allegany, New York, son of the author, is expected to attend the pilgrimage honoring his famous father.

Following the ceremony, tour members will eat their own picnic lunches at the site. Vehicles must be off the Missile Range by 4 p.m., when the roads will be closed.

Those making the tour should have a full tank of gasoline, a good spare tire, food and water. Cameras must be locked in trunks or glove compartments while crossing the Missile Range — photography is permitted only at the site.

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Congressman Visits USMA Prep School

Rep. John M. Murphy of New York recently paid a visit to his alma mater — The U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School.

The Congressman, who graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., in 1950 after first attending the Prep School here, reported to the students on his recent tour of the Far East. He said he was impressed by the "thoroughgoing professionalism" of U.S. Army soldiers he visited overseas. (AFPS)

Medals, Awards to Be Given At Retirement Review Today

Range Officer Presents Talk Memorial Day

Maj. Irvin C. Peake Thursday urged that Americans involve themselves in the welfare of mankind so that servicemen who died in battle have not died in vain.

His statements were made at the annual Memorial Day services held at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens and sponsored by the United Veterans Council of Dona Ana County.

Major Peake, who is attached to the Air Force at White Sands Missile Range, pointed out that the burden of war falls upon the soldier, usually a young man because it is a young man's work.

"He fights so our lives can be better, he dies so we can live, he dies for the future and he dies with hope."

He noted that the attitude toward war has changed. There are no innocent and stirring songs, which do not fit the realities of war, about the Vietnam conflict as there have been for wars in the past. He asked how we can honor the many young and faceless men who died in battle and how we can remember the horror and death of battlefields so few have seen.

"We honor them by committing ourselves to the dreams upon which these young men had built. Too many of those who have died in battle were the ones who would have built, but they had their lives cut short."

He added that because of the gallant action of those who had fallen in battle, we remain free and we owe it to their memory to continue building a greater America.

Just prior to the service, an airplane dropped poppies over the cemetery. A National Guard squad fired a salute and taps was sounded.

Veterans organizations represented at the ceremony were Veterans of World War I, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Fleet Reserve, Retired Officers Association and Gold Star Mothers.

Three Bronze Star medals and eight Army commendation Medals are among the awards to be presented at today's retirement and review ceremony.

The retirees and award recipients are to be honored at 3:30 p.m. this afternoon in front of Post Headquarters Building. Range Commander MG H. G. Davisson will make the presentations and head the reviewing party.

The U.S. Army Band from Fort Bliss, along with WSMR units, will comprise the marching elements of troops.

Receiving the Bronze Star Medal will be Chief Warrant Officer Elmer F. Clobes, Corps of Engineers. He is receiving the medal for distinguishing himself by outstanding meritorious service in connection with ground operations against a hostile force in the Republic of Vietnam. CWO-2 Clobes served in South Vietnam from March 1967 to March 1968.

Specialist Four Lawrence D. Hamilton will receive the Bronze Star with "V" device for heroism in connection with military operations against a hostile force. SP4 Hamilton, in November of 1967, was on a search and destroy operation in a Viet Cong infested jungle, according to the citation.

"When his unit received intense small arms fire a sergeant in the forward element was hit and unable to move. SP4 Hamilton, disregarding his own safety, pulled the sergeant to safety while under fire from a large hostile force."

The third recipient of a Bronze Star is Specialist Four Albert K. Ito. He is being awarded the medal for his outstanding meritorious service in the American counterinsurgency program in Vietnam. SP4 Ito served in South Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. Part of his Bronze Star citation reads: "... energetically applying his sound judgment and extensive knowledge, he has contributed materially to the successful accomplishment of the United States mission in the Republic of Vietnam."

The certificates will be signed by the Secretary of the military department or the Director of the Defense Agency of the Department or Agency to which the employee was assigned in Vietnam.

Lists of eligible employees will be available through Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, OCP, Incentive Awards Branch, who will issue awards for persons serving in Vietnam in early years. Medals and certificates for those serving in Vietnam at the time the award is initiated and later, and meeting other requirements of eligibility, should receive the awards prior to departure from Vietnam.

Naval Facility Honors 13 Workers

Thirteen safety awards and four certificates were presented to deserving civilian and naval personnel at the U.S. Naval Ordnance Test Facility, WSMR, for individual accomplishments.

At a meeting Tuesday in the Navy Headquarters conference room, Captain G. D. Howard, commander of NOMTF, presented awards for accident-free driving.

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lita driving; Reyes F. Luna, eight years of safe driving; Santiago T. Galaz, seven accident-free driving years.

The Department of the Navy Accident Prevention Award Program selected three supervisors for nine and eight year awards. Recipient of the nine-year award was John W. Meredith, supervisory supply assistant, Franklin D. Pierce, general foreman, and Clarence R. Albers, foreman (leadingman), were both cited for eight years of no loss time accidents.

Five shops also earned awards from the Navy Accident Prevention Program. L T Frederick W. Schumann received a safety certificate for the supply department after nine years of accident-free operation. Presented the award for the Metals Trade Branch's perfect accident-free record of eight years was General Foreman Franklin D. Pierce.

Awards for three years of flawless performance were presented to Missile Division, LT Larry J. Wilkey and GMCM Richard Matteson; Operations Division, LT William McCullah; and Fire Control Division, LT Edward L. Holcomb.

Russell L. Fuqua, operating engineer (hoist equipment) received the Materials Handling and Construction Equipment Operator's Safety Award for four years of safe operation.

Lorenzo Y. Banegas and C. Page received certificates for 20 years of federal service. Two men received certificates for outstanding attendance records.

Benjamin M. Garcia accumulated 1,000 sick-leave hours while Arturo O. Pena has 750 hours.

The Department of the Navy Accident Prevention and Safe Driving Awards Program began at White Sands Missile Range June 6, 1948, and has continued since that date.



SAFETY AWARDS — Captain G. D. Howard, commanding officer, U. S. Naval Ordnance Test Facility, gives awards and a word of thanks to civilian and naval personnel who have compiled accident-free performance. Bottom row, left to right: LT W. L. McCullah, LT Edward Holcomb, Capt. G. D. Howard, Olon Page, Russell Fuqua, and LT Frederick Schumann. Top row: GMCM R. H. Matteson, Larry Banegas, Clarence Albers, John Merle, Franklin Pierce, Santiago Galaz, LT Larry Wilke, and Arturo Pena. (U. S. Navy Photo by PFC Title)

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It is your way to guarantee a free, responsive and enduring America. —(AFPS)

A Menace To All

In recent months, the Armed Forces have received a great deal of adverse publicity concerning the misuse of drugs by service personnel.

The tragedy lies not in the publicity, but in the fact that within our ranks we have a few people who have so little regard for themselves and their responsibilities that they voluntarily subject themselves to the destructive effects of illicit drugs.

Regardless of the fact that only a very small number of personnel in uniform abuse drugs, it is far too many. One serviceman abusing drugs is one too many.

It doesn't matter which drug you are taking about — all of them have a terrible destructive potential when taken for "kicks" rather than at the direction of a trained physician and under medically prescribed conditions.

You would certainly not entrust your life or safety to the irrational whims or reasoning of someone who is mentally ill. By the same token, you should not want to entrust your life or safety to a man whose judgment and responses have been dulled and deranged by the abuse of drugs of any type.

The drug abuser is a menace to himself, his fellow servicemen and his country. He has no place in the military where the lives of others and the safety of our Nation could be threatened by his irrational acts.

Our responsibility to our Country and to each other is too great to inflict the cancer of drug abuse on our bodies and minds. As thinking, intelligent, responsible human beings, we should have too much self-respect to destroy our minds and bodies voluntarily with drugs such as LSD, marijuana or heroin. (AFPS)

Support Your Teen Club

To those of you who are new here at WSMR and have teen-agers in your families; to you who have been here for some time; to you young couples who like to work with teen-agers, and to you interested in the welfare of our youth:

You will find the White Sands Teen Club located in Building S-1310, on Ripley Ave. This club is open to all teen-agers on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. For the enjoyment of its members there is a pool table, a juke box, table tennis, and a place to just plain relax and talk to friends. Most important is a well stocked and staffed Snack Bar. There are also live bands every now and then for the dancing spree which youth demands.

After school lets out and the "nothing to do" dull-drums hit our youth, as usually happens, your Teen Club becomes essential. This summer is going to be different! Plans are underway to have splash parties, field trips, horseback riding, picnic trips, just plain "messin' around," and best of all, dances with name bands. Also, the club will be open five nights and days each and every week, with something to do for everybody.

The only way to make a success of your Teen Club is for all of us to work together. The more members the club has, the more it will be able to accomplish. Your suggestions for things to do during the summer will be welcomed. The Teen Club Council is trying hard to get really underway, but we will need chaperons, bus drivers, and other adult helpers to get things rolling and keep them rolling for our youth. And, of course, we must have all the teen-agers we can get, preferably one on the post.

Remember, if you want your teen-agers to have a place to go and something to do during the summer which will not allow them to become "bored with life," or "just another problem around the house," join the group and support the club to your fullest ability.

Give your time (even an hour of two a month will help) and your support to a project that will contribute to the whole community. Our teen-agers will appreciate it! You will enjoy it!

Stop by the club or call any member of the Teen Council for further information:

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LTC (Chap) Frank C. Riley 8-3537
CW3 James F. Zeeman 8-9336
WO Don J. Murphy 8-5122
SFC Norman Lynch 8-1939
SSG James F. Mingle 8-3594
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Overseas Duty Signup Program Begins Monday

Registration for overseas assignment under the Department of Defense Automated Overseas Employment Referral Program opens at White Sands Missile Range Monday June 3 according to Civilian Personnel officials.

"This program involves a permanent change of station," explained Virgil (Tim) Holt of Civilian Personnel and Training.

"Essentially, registration is a request by the employee to be considered for assignments overseas as vacancies arise. There are no specific existing vacancies."

The registration will give a permanent list of those wishing to be considered for overseas appointment within the near future in the Atlantic, European or Pacific areas.

Applicants for the program should complete STEWS - PT Form 21, which is a multi-purpose form. It serves as an application for the DOD program and for the U. S. Army Quick Reaction Assistance Program - Vietnam and it is a work document and record file for Civilian Personnel Office.

"In addition to Form 21, applicants must submit a completed SF 57. Upon receipt of the completed forms, a personal interview will be scheduled. In accordance with DOD procedures, applicants must be investigated for suitability for overseas assignment, and this investigation includes the applicant's family and dependents," Mr. Holt said.

But, back to this weekend at the 'Y'.

The Girls Service Organization (GSO) of the Armed Services YMCA, invites you to join them Sunday starting at 3 p.m. for a Hawaiian Luau, Texas Style.

This is an annual affair for the GSO, who hold the Luau free for service personnel. The afternoon will include a wide variety of food, folksinging, music, and general good fun. The patio at the 'Y' is the location, so soak up some sun and enjoy the Luau too.

Saturday night enjoy free games and win yourself a prize. Then, stay for the "Street Dance" from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. The GSO will be your hostesses for the evening of dancing to "The Peppermint Highway."

Come and have fun for the small 25 cents admission price. Bands for the regular Saturday dances for the rest of June by the way are as follows: 8th - "The Reasons For Being" - 25 cents; 15th "The Brain Police" - free; 22nd - "The Hands of Time" - free; 29th - "The Soul Survivors" - 25 cents.

A closed gate helped U.S. Army paratroopers avoid an enemy ambush in a village near Hue. While sweeping through the village, a reconnaissance patrol from the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 501st Infantry, 101st Airborne Division, passed through an open bamboo gate. The last man in the column, Sp4 Douglas F. Fleming, Chilversburg, Ala., left the gate open. But, two days later when the patrol returned through the area, Specialist Fleming, now the point man in the column, noticed the gate was shut. SSgt Ronald Klockler, Scranton, Pa., advanced to the gate and discovered it was boobytrapped. Suspecting an enemy ambush, the patrol pulled back. Artillery was called in on the position, which did turn out to be an ambush site.

Flick fans this weekend are offered 95 minutes of cinema-scope drama in "The Stripper" starring Joanne Woodward. As usual, the shows are free. This week also includes a special short on "Water Skiing." Show times are 7 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. Saturday, and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Weeknights you are reminded of Monday's Free Adult Swim Class, Tuesday and Free Game Nite (pool, swimming, etc.) and Table Tennis Club, Thursday's Table Tennis Club, and Friday's Free Family Nite (swim, play pool, basketball, etc.) and 2 p.m. Sunday.

Every weeknight, 5 to 10 p.m. "Across the Roof" Coffee House is open. Saturdays too, from 1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Relax in the heavy atmosphere, drink free coffee, listen to records, ham it up on the stage, talk, play cards or chess — you name it.

Remember — "You are the Action!" at the 'Y' for military and their dependents — the Armed Services YMCA.

Make goodness illegal and there will be an angel population explosion.

Range Slates Photo Contest

The White Sands Missile Range Speical Services Crafts Program is sponsoring a photography contest to be conducted through June 30, 1968. All military personnel, on active duty for 90 days or more, within the White Sands Missile Range area are eligible to compete.

Competition will be in two groups, Black and White and Color Transparencies. Each group will comprise the following categories: "People," "Babies and Children," "Animals and Pets," "Action," "Scenic," "Military," and "Experimental."

Awards will be made in each of the seven categories and there will be a "Best Of Show" award for each group. Entries must be forwarded to reach the WSMR Crafts Shop, Bldg. 1425, not later than June 30, 1968.

Copies of contest rules and entry forms are available at the crafts shop. Interested personnel are invited to utilize the shop photo lab for printing and processing black and white prints. Winning entries in this contest will be forwarded to the Fourth U.S. Army Photography Contest to be held at Ft. Wolters, Tex., July 17, 1968.

Village Cleaned Up After Flood

LAURELVILLE, Ohio (AP) — Twenty-six inmates of the Ohio penitentiary's Hocking Honor Camp cleaned up streets and Laurelville's only bank after the village was evacuated because of a flood.

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Doctor Promotion Plan Is Studied

The Department of Defense has taken steps to improve and standardize a promotion system for doctors on active duty.

The system outlined in DOD Directive 1320.7, dated May 3, 1968, marks the first time that Army, Navy and Air Force physicians will be considered for promotion under a common system, ensuring equal promotion opportunities for military doctors regardless of service affiliation.

It also marks the first time that grades held by military doctors, including dentists who are otherwise unaffected by the directive, will not count against the overall grade authorizations prescribed by law for military officers generally.

Temporary grades for Medical Corps officers entering active duty will be determined on the basis of years of professional training and experience.

Under the new promotion system, after completion of an internship, a doctor of medicine or osteopathy who enters on active duty as a captain in the

Army or Air Force or lieutenant in the Navy would be eligible for promotion to the next higher grade three years later.

After another five years the doctor could be promoted to lieutenant colonel or commander. Seven years later he could be promoted to colonel or Navy captain.

The directive also provides that a small number of military physicians could be promoted to a higher grade one year earlier than their professional contemporaries.

As for Dental Corps officers of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the directive states that temporary grades and promotions "shall be determined under the normal temporary appointment and temporary promotion systems of the Services."

The directive explains that "all fully qualified officers may be selected for promotion," except that the numbers selected may not exceed established percentages. (APFS)

NORAD Modernization To Begin This Summer

The North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) begins a phased modernization of the air defense system this summer that will involve closure of some command units and relocation of others. These actions are scheduled for completion by July 1969.

These actions will result in elimination of 4,719 military and 1,219 civilian positions.

The modernization results from a Department of Defense decision reported early this year in the "Posture Statement."

Some of the present warning and control system facilities are obsolete and will be replaced by smaller, more effective and less costly systems.

Air Force said a new system, which will have a greatly increased effectiveness, particularly against low-flying aircraft, will combine an airborne warning and control system, over-the-horizon radar and a modern high-performance fire control and missile system incorporated in F-106 interceptors.

As part of the overall realignment, 20 Air Defense Command (ADC) radar squadrons will be closed by Sept. 1. The Federal Aviation Agency will assume 14 of the sites.

In addition, three ADC fighter-interceptor squadrons equipped with F-106s will move to new stations. Three squadrons assigned F-101 aircraft will be disbanded, as previously announced. Because of the moves, Air Force facilities at Paine Field, Washington, and Grand Island, Nebr., will be closed.

Other realignment actions involve NORAD activities at Gun-

ter AFB, Ala.; Steward AFB, N.Y.; Richards - Gebaur AFB, Mo.; and Sioux City Municipal Airport, Iowa.

NORAD headquarters is at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Civilian employees whose jobs

will be eliminated by actions involving NORAD activities will be offered job opportunities and may involve movement to other locations.

Military personnel will be transferred to other assignments. (APFS)



TOUGH GOING — Army PFC Larry Nolta works his way through the heavy jungle northeast of Tay Ninh in the Republic of Vietnam during Operation Toan Thang with 2nd Bn., 12th Inf., 3rd Brig., 25th Inf. Div.

Opens In Las Cruces Monday Morning

Recreation Program

The city's summer recreation program begins Monday and ends July 26, it was announced today by L. D. (Sam) Graft, director of parks and recreation.

He added that several new and improved activities for Las Cruces youngsters are included in many play areas of the program this year.

New this year are gymnastics and archery at the junior high level and precision drill for upper elementary and junior high youth.

Improvements in tennis, the performing arts and in the art and crafts program also are being inaugurated, he said.

Gymnastics is to be offered at both junior high recreation areas, Lynn and Court.

Instruction at the Lynn area is to be offered Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Darla Rogers, a native of Silver City, is in charge of the instruction. She is a spring graduate of New Mexico State University where she received a degree in physical education.

In charge of the Court area program is Kathleen Chavez from Las Cruces.

The program will be conducted from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Miss Chavez is a sophomore in physical education major at NMSU.

Both programs are to be elementary in nature with emphasis on floor exercises, some mat work and exercise on the tramline, Graft noted.

"It is hoped that this gymnastics program will appeal primarily to the junior high age girls," Graft said, "but we won't rule out boys of this age if they wish to participate."

Archery instruction is to be offered only at the Lynn play area from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday. Miss Rogers will teach. The activity is open to boys and girls.

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school grounds. Meeting time will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through Friday and Nancy Anderson will be the instructor. She is a recent graduate of NMSU. In college, she was a member of the Angel Flight precision drill team.

Youth in the fifth and sixth grades or at the junior high level may participate in this program.

An improved tennis program is being offered this year with the addition of an assistant instructor for the summer. Assisting Dave Tucker will be Jim Noble of Las Cruces. Tucker

has been with the summer and fall tennis programs the past three years. He and Noble are members of the NMSU tennis team.

The tennis program is open to everyone from seven years of age to adult.

The 7 to 10 age group is to meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 to 10 a.m. at the NMSU courts. The 11-13 age group will meet there from 10 to 11 a.m. on the same days.

The 14-18 group will meet at the Frenger Park tennis courts on Mondays from 7 to 8 p.m. Beginners or experienced players are invited to take part in this program.

Adults, beginners or experienced players are invited to take part in this program.

Adults, beginners or experienced, can participate in the tennis program every Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Frenger Park courts.

A western theme is being accentuated in the performing arts portion of the recreation program this summer. Western melodramas, possibly a local western operetta, western sing and dancing are the activities planned for the 12-18 age group taking part this year. The dancing will include Mexican, square and folk dancing.

Mrs. Robin Daviet is in

charge of drama this summer. She has a BS degree in education from NMSU where she majored in drama and minored in English. In addition to major roles in several NMSU Playmaker productions, she has taught the children's fine arts program in drama at NMSU as well as having experience in directing Playmaker productions.

Mrs. C. Lee Walton is in charge of the dance program. She holds a BS degree in speech and drama and associated arts from NMSU. She has served as director of the Children's Theater in Dance at Madera, Calif., and recently served as choreographer of "Funny Girl," the spring musical production presented by Las Cruces High School.

Directing the song section of the performing arts is Judy McKenzie, who holds a BS degree in music education from NMSU. She is a teacher of music in the local schools and served in this capacity in last summer's program.

The performing arts groups are to meet at University Hills school cafeteria from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. This activity is open to everyone in the 13 to 18 year age group.

The art and crafts program is open to everyone in the 13-18 age group. These activities are held in the Las Cruces High School facilities from 2 to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. A wide variety of activities in beginning and more advanced art and crafts are to be offered. Teaching crafts will be Benny James. His wife, Joyce, will supervise art. Both instructors are teachers in the Las Cruces school system.

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Many a misfit starts out to miss until his creativity produces services or products that fit a need.

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