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Accident takes Martha Holguin; she will be missed by many at range

by Bill Gross

Her indomitable spirit was immediately recognizable. Her enthusiasm, her self-confidence, her swift movement. . .any of these things caught your immediate attention the first time you saw her.

This was Martha Holguin, the clerk-typist and receptionist at Visual Information, Bldg. 1621, who moved about in a

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motorized wheelchair performing all the duties the position called for with no wasted motion.

Martha Holguin died Sunday at Memorial General Hospital, Las Cruces, the result of a fall from her wheelchair.

Her death left co-workers shocked this week. Her supervisor, Jim Whorley, said "She did an excellent job. I'm a better person for having known her."

Sandy Rouse, Handicapped Individual Program Manager, found it emotionally difficult to speak when she said "We'll have a hard time replacing her."

Even though Holguin was in a wheelchair, it was difficult to call her handicapped. Last summer she volunteered to participate in a film embracing the handicapped employees at White Sands Missile Range. She was asked to move rapidly about the office, type, file and use the computer. At each request she would immediately say: "I can do that!"

She had a tiny voice, and she pretended to be perturbed when a customer would ask of the other employees over the telephone, "Who is your clerk who sounds like a little girl?" She would respond with: "I'm not a little girl, I'm a full-grown woman!"

Larry Mandell, chief, Visual Information Division, TWS, remembers Holguin's first days in the office. Mandell says "She was a girl who came into a new organization with an extremely positive outlook on her life and her work."

"She became our official greeter. She created an extremely favorable first impression at VI, a cheerful impression." About her work he said, "She answered the phone in a positive manner, and kept her computer records and workorders in first class shape. She was thrilled that she could earn her own way."

In conclusion, Mandell said, "She leaves a big void in our organization. We have been so much better with her on board."

Holguin moved about the office and hallways so fast the office gang had a special license plate made for the back of her wheelchair. it said, "Caution -Hell on Wheels."

Holguin was 22, Jan. 21. She was born handicapped with a disease that causes bones to fracture easily. Even so, she completed the Las Cruces system curriculum, and was graduated in 1986 from Mayfield High School. She attended New Mexico State University for two years.

She also completed a course at International Business College before applying for a job at WSMR. She started as a Clerk Typist, GS-3 on May 30, 1989 and converted to a permanent appointment Aug. 13, 1989.



Martha Holguin

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Whorley said within six months she was completely managing the front desk. She was a former treasurer of the Association for Concerns of the Handicapped.

A Funeral Mass was conducted Wednesday at the Getz Funeral Home in Las Cruces with Monsignor Albert Chavez officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Holguin is survived by her parents, Gilbert and Juanita Holguin, three brothers, Steve and Ralph, both of Las Cruces and Albert, of Fort Bragg, N.C.; maternal grandfather, Benito Provencio of Las Cruces, paternal grandparents, Gregorio and Lilia Holguin, of Las Cruces and by several aunts and uncles, some of whom work at White Sands Missile Range.

The Holguin family asks that donation of any kind be sent to Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation Inc., P.O. Box 14807, Clearwater, Fla., 34629-4807. Contributions may also be made at Mutual Building and Loan in memory of Martha Holguin.

Range awards $31 million area contracts

White Sands Missile Range awarded more than $31 million in Army contracts in the local area during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 1990.

This amount does not include contracts awarded for the ground based laser project at Orogrande.

Of this amount, business in Alamogordo received more than $16.4 million.Dynaspan Services Co. was awarded four contract modifications totaling more than $7 million for test and evaluation support. Dyncorp was awarded more than $6 million for data collection support and technical radar services.

Cortez III Service Corp. received more than $1.6 million for computer operations and data processing services. SERCO, Inc. was awarded $818,336 for security guard services.

Las Cruces businesses received more than $10.2 million during the quarter. Of this amount Lockheed Engineering and Management Services Co. was awarded more than $5.8 million for facility support and engineering, technical and maintenance services provided to the range.

Six contract modifications worth a total of more than $3.1 million were awarded to New Mexico State University for scientific, technical and maintenance services provided to the Atmospheric Sciences Laboratory and engineering support provided to the Vulnerability Assessment Laboratory (VAL).

Other contracts awarded to Las Cruces businesses include $276,311 to Comfort Zone for services for the Directorate of Engineering Housing and Logistics and $106,267 to EMI Technologies for services provided to VAL.

More than $2.8 million were

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Civilian Corner

New Mexico now 'bashing' back on retirees

by Irv Rubenstein

Editor's Note: This column offers news of interest to federal employees. Information is furnished courtesy of the WSMR Chapter of the Federal Managers' Association (FMA).

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NOW THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO IS "BASHING" ON THE BACK OF FEDERAL RETIREES: Most of our readers are aware of the results of the famed Davis versus Michigan case where the U.S. Supreme Court decided that there could be no discrimination in the treatment of retired pay for federal and military retirees as opposed to state and local New Mexico retirees.

Due to the fact that state and local New Mexico retirees had an exemption for tax purposes of all their pay while federal and military retirees received a $3,000 exemption, the state did allow the federal and military retiree to exempt all their pay for 1989.

This was necessary on the part of the state in light of the court decision and because the legislature would not be in session to deal with the matter on a fiscal basis.

Now along comes Governor Carruthers who needs many of millions of dollars to give pay raises to teachers and others and is looking for what is the easiest way to gain this money, and not have to give the federal and military retiree the same "break" as the state and local retiree.

How did he intend to do this? He offered a proposal to the legislature to do away with ANY exemption for retired pay, state, local and federal, and the state treasury could pick up over $13 million (about 18.5 percent) of the money he needed to pay the seven percent pay raises he was offering to teachers and five percent he was offering to other state employees.

Not altogether bad, except, why 18.5 percent from people who are retired and live on fixed incomes. Why not the individuals who are using the services or could better afford the tax.

Well folks, the proposal wound up in a State Senate Bill

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Free calendars followed mastodons into oblivion

by Will Hugh Read

Little did I think when the Nineties rolled around that it would cost me my hard earned beer--I mean--hot dog money just to find out what day it is.

Used to be a fellow could buy a gallon of gas or two for the old crate, or buggy or jalopy or whatever and the gas pump jockey would say, "How about a calendar for your wall?" and he'd give it to you for free.

You didn't have to ask, "What's the picture on it?" because sometimes it was just a classy looking logo of the oil company or a nice, red-painted barn. Sometimes it was even a picture of the New Mexico mountains always colored purple, making you wonder if they really ever looked like that.

Or, you could walk into the bank to deposit your $5 weekly pay check and the man behind the counter, they never seemed to have lady tellers in those days, would say: "Would you like a calendar? It has a splendid view of a cornfield on it."

While that never was exactly a big thrill, it did provide you with the numbers so you could tell Wednesday from Monday and it didn't cost you anything.

As I recall, the only calendars that required a financial investment were those that showed photos of young ladies in various stages of dress or undress, and sometimes for extra spot of cash, wearing nothing but a pleasing expression.

Now the supermarkets, which used to be called grocery stores, still have calendars, but they aren't on the counter by the cash register or in the store owner's office.

Instead, they're on display along with all the other things for which a cash outlay is required.

And if you think the old ways still persist in the filling stations, forget it.

Where they gave away freebies containing mileage charts where you could drive to pile up the miles so you would have to buy more gas, they no longer have any.

"Where do you keep the calendars,?" you ask.

"Calendars,?" answers the fuel depot manager (self-service cashier). "Well, we have a coupon here that you can fill out and send to the front office in Houston and they'll send you one for five bucks."

"What's on it?"

"Whatta ya mean, 'What's on it?' "

"I mean, like pictures or something."

"Well, I'm not sure. Maybe, if you ask them, they'll have antique cars like '57 Chevys or something."

"Forget it, Mac. If I want to see antique cars I'll look in my garage at home."

Letter to the Editor

We will miss you Martha, we will never forget you

Dear Editor:

Just recently I had to go through an experience I am never really prepared for: The loss of someone very special to me, Martha Holguin.

Although I know she is at rest, the thoughts, pain, and questions do not rest easy.

Knowing a person like Martha is a blessing in itself. When you know someone with spunk, energy you could not believe, a really great sense of humor, big brown eyes, a great smile, and just someone you love to be around you cannot help but feel a great emptiness inside.

Martha was a great inspiration, never let her handicap get in her way. If she could not get over something, she would simply go around it. She was always cheerful, although she had her times and, like anybody, she had a temper.

All around, she is someone we will never forget, she made sure of that, if you were lucky enough to have known her you know what I mean.

We'll miss you, Martha, more than you will ever know, but we will never forget you.

Rita Bencomo
Secretary
Visual Information Division

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Sadie bids farewell

Dear Editor:

As my husband, daughters, and I depart to make our new home in Rota, Spain, I would like to take the time to thank all of my bosses, present and former, co-workers and especially my friends at ARMTE, for all the help they gave during my 18 years with them.

It was really a pleasure, experience and lots of fun working for and with you. I will truly miss each and everyone of you.

Thank God and bless you all.

Sadie Ann Avilucea

Look at Far East

Dear Editor:

I just finished reading today's *Missile Ranger* and all the information about budget proposals.

With all the talk about closing military bases in our country, I wonder why no politician or a Department of Defense chief mentions the Far East as a good place to start?

Before we make any of our citizens pay for these huge defense cuts, why don't we look at the source of some of our country's deficit -- the Far East.

Ray Dise

Parking only for handicapped

Dear Editor:

Handicapped parking spaces are for those people who are authorized and actually need them.

For the owner of a green late model Mercury, New Mexico license plate, I certainly hope you are not one who later in life needs one and finds someone such as yourself, who is unauthorized, parked there.

Last week you parked for a long period of time behind Bldg. 100 in a handicapped space reserved for a specific individual.

Name withheld

New Mexico now 'bashing'

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(SB 310) that was passed by a vote of 38-3 on Tuesday past. There were some items in that bill that the retiree will be extremely concerned with, and the same items will apply to those of us who are considering retirement and continued residence in New Mexico.

Let me cite some of the items that will be taxable under this bill:

- All retired pensions or annuities.
- All Social Security Income.
- All Lump-sum retirement income.
- Income from Life Insurance and endowment policies.
- Unemployment compensation.
- Workers' Compensation.
- Public Assistance and Wefare payments.

So now you see the handwriting. The retirees' pay is up for grabs by the state because there are people in the State Capitol that think their numbers are small and they don't figure much in the political process.

But one thing you need to remember is that soon, you may be entering the retirement fold and the income you were banking on will be severely reduced by the State Senate action.

I am told that the process is for SB 310 to be referred to the State House of Representatives and if the House agrees with the bill, it is sent directly to the governor for signature. If there are amendments offered, then the bill gets returned to the Senate for action.

I strongly urge all Federal employees who intend to remain in New Mexico after retirement to raise their voices to their representative in Santa Fe and speak your piece.

You electd them, they have to at least listen and be accountable for their actions. I have been in contact with two of our Las Cruces representatives and the governor on this subject.

Mary L. Thompson, District 36, serves on the Taxation and Revenue Committee and can be contacted by telephone at 1-984-9669.

Representative Lee Rawson, who indicated that he would consider amendments, can be reached at telephone 1-984-9662.

All Representatives can be reached by mail addressed to their name, The State Capitol, Santa Fe, N.M. 87503.

The House of Representatives has a FAX available at 1-984-9610. The governor can be reached by FAX using 1-827-3026.

NARFE has been using the FAX facilities at Senator Bingaman's office in the Federal Building in Las Cruces.

The solution is in your hands and time is short. I only hope that when you read this, it is not too late.

NOW FOR SOME GOOD NEWS: Those employees who are enrolled in the FERS program and are participating in the common stock (C) retirement thrift fund realized a 31.03 percent gain in their portfolio. The Fixed Asset (F) fund gained 13.89 percent and the Government Securities (G) fund gained 8.81 percent.

The only hope is that when you collect it, it is not eaten up by retirement taxation.

If anyone has an item of information to be brought to the attention of the civilian work force, contact Chapter 132, Federal Manager's Association, P.O. Box 250, WSMR, New Mexico 88002.

If you would like information on membership in FMA, direct your questions to Don Larkin at 678-5506.

For additional information on today's column contact me at 678-5863.

McAfee offers measle immunizations

McAfee Health Clinic will conduct measles immunization clinics on Monday, Feb. 12 and on Tuesday, Feb. 13, from 5 to 8 p.m. in the treatment room.

These two immunization clinics are for WSMR resident students who do not attend school on post, high school students, private school students and Child Development Center/Chapel Day Care clients (children) who received their initial immunizations for measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) prior to their 15th month of age.

Parents must accompany children, bring the proper identification (military I.D. and medical card), and immunization record for each child.

Range awards

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awarded to Albuquerque businesses.

Of this amount, Orion International Technologies Inc. was awarded $675,000 for engineering services provided to VAL.

The Ploteus Corp. was awarded a $500,000 contract for services to Test Measurement Diagnostic Equipment Support Center at White Sands.

The Big Bear Oil Co. was awarded $268,548 by the missile range. Rio Grande Turf Supply Inc. was awarded $179,080 for irrigated ground maintenance. ATM Security and Investigation, Inc. was awarded $126,402 for security services provided to the U.S. Army TRADOC Analysis Command.

El Paso businesses received more than $1.5 million during the quarter. MACA Inc. was awarded $300,000 for computer support. National Refrigeration and Air Conditioner Co. received a $218,374 contract. IBM Corp. was awarded $204,187 for maintenance and repair of IBM software.

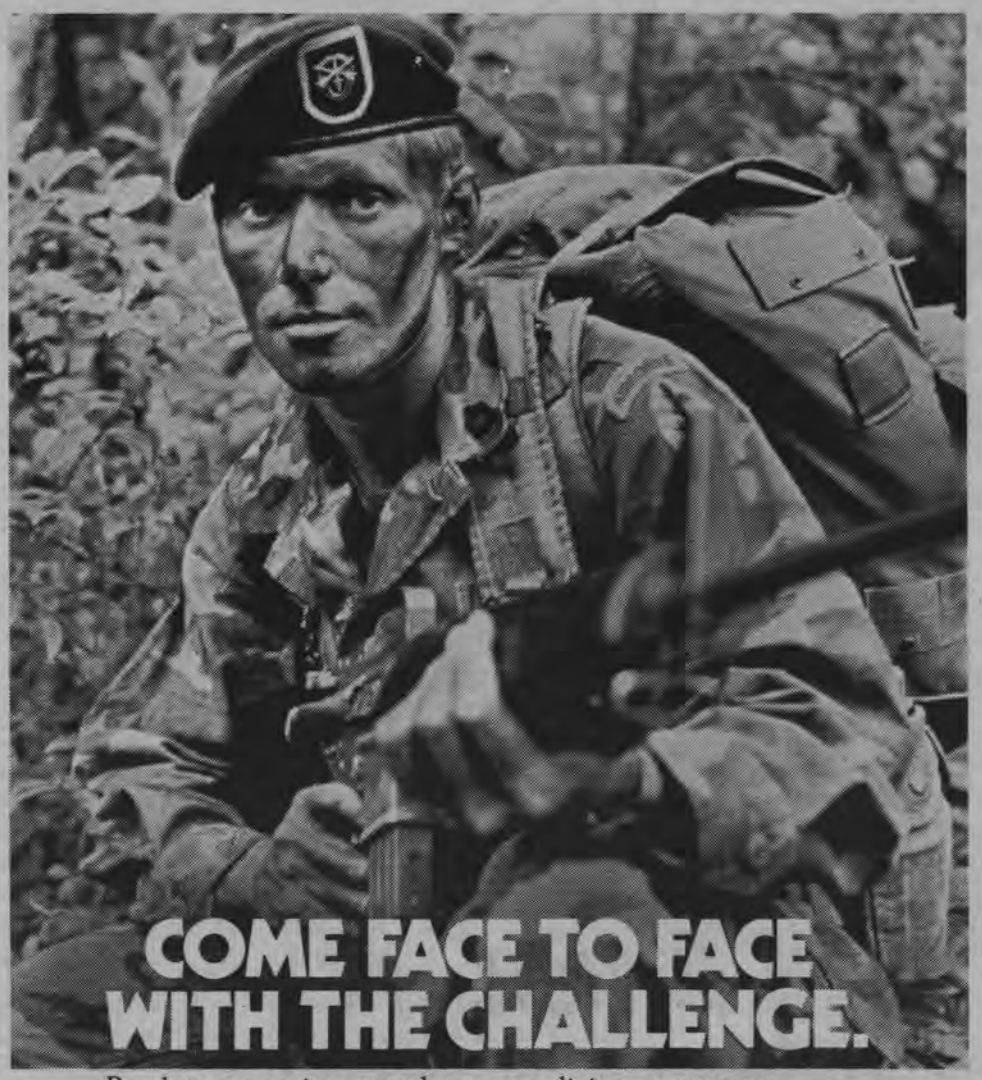
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SECOND FRONT

Farewell interview for range's top enlisted man

Editor's Note: Before leaving White Sands Missile Range last Friday, CSM Harry Harris gave an interview to the Missile Ranger *which was a reflection of his nearly six years as command sergeant major at the installation. Here is that interview.*

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MR: What are the major differences between now and when you arrived here?

HARRIS: The soldier and family support activities have improved and grown tremendously. Each of those activities are more sensitive to the needs of the soldier and their families. We have extended the hours of the PX, Commissary and Shopette; the hours of other activities have changed to be more in line with the needs of our soldiers and families. We also have much more professional NCO Corps that is eager to train and assist the soldiers.

When I arrived, we had a lot of NCOs that were here to retire and as they retired we received "top-notch" professionals to replce them. I am proud to the noncommissioned officers that we have serving on this installation.

MR: What programs have you put into effect at WSMR?

HARRIS: I do not believe that I personally put programs in effect, but made recommendations to the Commanding General that were put into effect. When I arrived, my goal was to improve and assist the NCO corps and put the responsibility on them to take care of their soldiers. Although we have many support facilities to take care of soldiers, the basic responsibility belongs to each NCO In the support channel with emphasis to the NCO that is the first-line leader of soldiers.

I took a personal interest in the promotion of soldiers and noncommissioned officers and looked at those areas that will help good soldiers and NCOs get promoted. I have seen every DA photo before it was mailed to the USAEREC, I reviewed every Enlisted Evaluation Report and now the Noncommissioned Officer Evaluation Report, and have seen significant improvement upon the evaluation reports. As long as the rating chain knows someone responsible is reviewing each report they will place the emphasis on quality.

I have always emphasized to our soldiers and NCOs that they have a great opportunity to improve upon their college education while at White Sands Missile Range. We have a great education while at White Sands Missile Range. We have a great education center and staff that willingly assist our soldiers. We have a larger percentage of our soldiers continuing their education than you will find at most installations.

MR: We often hear that today's weapons systems are far beyond the understanding of the soldiers. What do you say especially since WSMR is a high-tech environment?

Harris: I have heard that same comment during my 32 years of service. When the Army goes through a modernization program and new systems are developed, the concern is that the system is too technically advanced for the soldier to be able to learn the system, but the soldier has prevailed and demonstrated that he can learn to operate and maintain the new systems.

Soldiers will surprise you with their eagerness to learn and ability to adapt. Comprehensive and challenging training will help the soldier to learn the new system. Look at what many of our soldiers do here at WSMR and you will understand that soldiers can learn and perform outstanding with new weapons and communication systems.

MR: WSMR soldiers have been doing great in TECOM and AMC competition in recent years. To what do you attribute this?

HARRIS: Our soldiers and NCOs have indeed done exceptionally great in competition at TECOM and AMC. You have to have a competitive program throughout the year to prepare soldiers for the yearly competition. The soldier and NCO are eager to compete and many of them begin preparing this year for next year's competition with their sights set on winning. Soldiers love to be winners.

Preparing the soldiers to appear before the TECOM board takes my personal involvement, and the involvement of the Support Troops Battalion CSM and the other NCOs on the installation. We must do everything possible to assist the soldiers and NCOs in their preparation.

The key element is to instill confidence in the soldier and NCO that they can be selected as the TECOM Soldier and NCO of the Year. We have exceptionally good soldiers and NCOs at WSMR and that is the key ingredient to our successes.

MR: Any personal observations you may have on today's soldier and the Army in general? Where are we going?

HARRIS: Today's soldiers are very good soldiers. I often hear people say that today's soldier is better than the soldier of 25-30 years ago. I cannot agree that they are better because we had very good soldiers then.

Today's soldiers are much better prepared to assume their responsibilities as a soldier because of the training programs and our leaders in today's Army.

The NCO Corps is much better prepared to assume their responsibilities at each level of the NCO support channel. This can be attributed to our outstanding noncommissioned officers' education system.

Today's soldiers and NCOs are just as dedicated as the soldiers of several decades ago. They are eager to learn and perform to the best of their ability. There are many defense cuts being proposed and I think the Army of the future will be smaller and have to be a highly trained force.

I think the standards for entering the Army and remaining in the Army will be higher, resulting in a more professional force of soldiers.

I believe today's Army and the Army going into the Twenty First Century is an Army that is prepared to fight and win on the battlefield.



Glo Dean Baker and Freddie Gardner

Afro-American Players to perform here

The Afro-American Players, Inc., of BaGar productions, will perform their award winning play "Sometimes I Find It Hard to Sing And Dance Part II The Legacy Continues," by Glo Dean Baker at the WSMR Officers' Club Feb. 16. There will be a reception at 5 p.m., dinner and 6 and curtain call at 7.

"Sometimes I Find It Hard to Sing and Dance. . ." is a variety show using song, drama, pantomime and narration to trace the history of Black Americans through the drama of their cultural evolution. It is a good play about the best plays in Black Theatre. Melodies from famous shows and popular dances enhance the quality of this drama. The show is hilarious, dramatic and captivating.

The show features Baker and Freddie Gardner, two of the company's best performers as they portray historical theatre with skill and perfection. They are professional actors, excellent vocalists and good dancers. The show has many features that can appeal to everyone. It is a play that is very entertaining as well as informative.

An article on arts as an integral part of our survival, written in the nationally syndicated magazine *Essence,* cited the Afro American Players of Dallas as a leading regional theatre company who could offer much in the "development of our country's cultural democracy."

The Afro American Players have performed before an estimated 1,000,000 people. The group's dedication to the arts as a vehicle of social advancement and entertainment makes it clearly more than just a theatre company.

Tickets for the Black History Dinner-Theatre may be obtained at the Office of Equal Opportunity, Bldg. 143, Room 119 or from the following: Shirley Daniels, ASL, 678-3608; Claude Malone, ID, 678-4033; Evangeline Wilson, F&AO, 678-1550; Glorya Gee, TRAC 678-4390; Alfred Rucks, NR 678-4126; Sam Bone, VAL 678-3808; SFC Ron Maples, EOA, 678-1291; Dianna Worthing, 678-1291 and Senia Franklin, EL, 678-5810.

Heating lamps can explode

It has been brought to the attention of the WSMR Safety Office that bathroom heat lamps have exploded while being used. There are three known occurrences of this in the past two years.

To prevent possible serious injury to a family member the following is recommended:

When using the heat lamp while taking a hot bath or shower also turn on the exhaust fan. This can help to reduce moisture buildup on the lamps surface and possibly prevent it from exploding.

John H. Keepers
Chief, Safety Office

Screening test set

The Las Cruces Public School System is working in conjunction with WSMR Child Development Services and Army Community Service to administer the Denver Developmental Screening Test.

Pre-schoolers ages three and four will be screened today from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Countdown Recreation Center.

The purpose of the developmental screening is early identification of children who are developing at a slower pace than their peers.

Many causes of slower development can be treated if diagnosed early.

The Las Cruces Public School System will provide a special education teacher for Child Development Services if a significant need is established here at White Sands.

The benefit to children can be enormous.

Special education in preschool may help a child enter elementary school on track with stronger educational, personal and social skills.

Children who attend CDS will be screened if parents give their approval.

Interested parents whose children are not enrolled in CDS programs may obtain a registration packet and information from Betsy Ladd, Family Services Assistant Coordinator at 678-7736, Bldg. 250, Army Community Service.

Officer's Wives offer scholarships

The 1990 Officers' Wives Club/Thrift Shop Scholarship Program is underway and planning to award $3,000 in scholarships this year.

Scholarships are open to OWC nd NCO/ENL wives' club members and family members. In addition, there will be a single $1,000 scholarship awarded to a graduating high school senior by the USPA and IRA Educational Foundation.

Applications will be available beginning on Feb. 15 at the Education Center, Post Library and the high school guidance counselors. The applications specify the eligibility criteria. The deadline for return of the completed application packets is no later than April 2.

The OWC also has been notified of another scholarship -- "The Budweiser USO Scholarship Program." Each year they offer 25 scholarships of $1,000 each to family members of active duty service members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Applications for these scholarships are distributed and processed by the personnel chief of the sponsor's service via the MILPO of the sponsor's command.

The OWC is having quite a successful year thus far due, of course, to the constant and consistent support of our members, but more importantly, the community.

It is only with the community's continued support that the OWC can be assured of the success of the scholarship program.

For more information, contact Susan Tindall, scholarship chairperson, at 678-1495.

Holiday activities schedule is set for President's Day observance

The following is the holiday schedule for the Community Recreation Division for the Presidents' Day Holiday.

Arts and Crafts: Tomorrow, Sunday and Monday, 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; closed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Auto Crafts: Tomorrow and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and closed Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Recreation Center: Tomorrow, 1:30 - 10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Monday, 1:30 -10 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Library: Closed tomorrow; Sunday and Monday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Equipment Issue: Tomorrow, 8 a.m. - noon; closed Sunday and Monday; Tuesday, 9 a.m. -5 p.m.; closed Wednesday.

Bell Gym: Tomorrow, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Sunday and Monday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Skating Rink: Tomorrow, 5:30 - 9 p.m.; closed on Sunday; Monday, 1 - 3 p.m.; and closed on Tuesday and Wednesday.

World art auction, exhibit held today

The public is invited to attend an exhibition and auction of fine art from all over the world at the Officers' Club today.

Presented by the Officers' Wives Club and Perry Berns Gallery, an exhibition and reception will begin at 5:30 p.m. with wine, cheese and punch. The Auction is at 6:30 p.m. There is a donation of $2.50 per person at the door. Intermission will feature a pay as you go Desert Cart.

The Officers' Club will also serve a buffet dinner at 5 p.m. Either beef tips on rice, or seafood thermidore, will be available for $8.95. A salad bar will also be offered.

Unfortunately, there will be no free child care as previously publicized, due to the closing of the Child Care Center on Friday evenings.

The art exhibit consists of original oils, water colors and graphics by famous artists and new talent as well. Each piece is custom framed, guaranteed by written certificate and ready to hang.

For more information call 678-4965 or 678-2878.

Sweetheart photos slated for Feb. 13

Sweetheart Photos may be taken at the Countdown Recreation Center on Tuesday, Feb. 13 for a cost of $1.

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Deliveries will be made between 1 and 4 p.m. on Feb. 14.

Anyone interested in having singing ($5), verbal ($3) or prnted ($2) messages delivered should come by the Countdown Recreation Center by the deadline of close of business Feb. 12.

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1990 needs assessment now ready for distribution

The Army Community Service 1990 Annual Community Needs Assessment is ready for distribution. Part I is currently being conducted through uniformed units here on White Sands Missile Range. The cooperation and assistance of all unit personnel has been gratifying and is greatly appreciated.

Part II requires the same commitment and dedication from the entire community if it is to result in more than a collection of dry data. While Part II of the Needs Assessment can be centrally distributed and collected, the personal interview process provides an extraordinary opportunity to develop communication networks and collaborative action within manegeable neighborhood communities. Since experience and research show that the community process cannot be imposed by outside agents, volunteers from within the neighborhood communities are needed to make the difference.

Volunteer Interviewers will be trained before being sent out to canvass their neighborhoods. Anyone who is friendly and concerned about the quality of life in their community would make a good volunteer interviewer.

Volunteers using Child Development Service receive free child care during the time they are serving the community or being trained. You must make your own reservations and don't forget that CDS services are no longer available in the evenings.

If you would like to meet your neighbors and make a difference, call Michele Kelly, ACS Outreach Coordinator, 678-3933 or stop by ACS in Bldg. 250 anytime between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Travel regulations allow reimbursement

Chapters 14 and 15 of the Joint Travel Regulations (JTR) Vol 2, have been revised to provide for reimbursement of allowable residence transaction expenses for an employee who transferred from an official station in a foreign area to a different nonforeign area official station than the one from which the employee was transferred when assigned to the foreign duty station.

An employee will be entitled to reimbursement for expenses required to be paid by him/her in connection with the sale of his/her residence at his/her old duty station; the purchase (including construction) of a residence at his/her new duty station or in connection with the settlement of an unexpired lease involving his/her residence or a lot on which a mobile home used as his/her residence was located at his/her old duty station, after he/she has signed the required transportation agreement, subject to restrictions and provisions contained in the revision to the JTR.

This change applies to those employees whose effective date of transfer (date employee reports for duty at the new nonforeign area official station) is on or after Feb. 19, 1988. Time limitations on the transactions is two years from the date employee reported for duty at the new permanent duty station.

If you reported to WSMR on or after Feb. 19, 1988 from a foreign duty station, did not work at WSMR before you went overseas and have questions concerning real estate, call Elizabeth Montoya or Lou Ann Brinkley at 678-3228/5145.

Monthly used book sale is scheduled in Las Cruces

The monthly used book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Thomas Branigan Memorial Library in Las Cruces will be held tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The sale is held at 250 Las Cruces Avenue and is for the benefit of the public library.

On Friday night, the sale is limited to members of the Friends but memberships are available at the door.

A portion of the English literature collection compiled by the late Robert A. Wichert, professor of English at New Mexico State University, will be available for sale.

The rest of the collection will be offered periodically at future sales.

In addition, books appropriate to the commemoration of Black History Month will be featured.

Taxpayers need to know changes in care expenses

Taxpayers who, in order to work, paid someone to care for their children or disabled spouse, need to know about a new rule for this tax year.

In order to claim credit for these expenses, they must show on their tax return the identifying number of the care provider.

The form and Publication 503 which explains the Child and Dependent Care Credit are both available at IRS offices or by calling 1-800-424-3676.

Schedule is now out for salaries at post personnel office

The Civilian Personnel Office has received the Special Rate Schedules reflecting the 1990 special salary rate authorizations.

Pay increases resulting from these authorizations will be effective Jan. 14 and will be reflected in salary checks received Feb. 8.

At White Sands, employees covered by 1990 Special Rate Schedules include Engineers, GS-05 through GS-12; Industrial Hygienists, GS-05 through GS-12; Nurses, GS-05 through GS-11; and Civilian Medical Officers.

Listed below are the Special Salary Rate Schedules for Engineers.

The other schedules which affect only a small number of employees will be sent to appropriate offices.

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Baby sitting class planned

On Feb. 24 and 25 the American Red Cross, in cooperation with Army Community Services, will hold a baby sitting class at Youth Services, Bldg. 1316.

Baby sitting is one of the first opportunities to earn money and to learn job responsibilities for young people. Therefore it is important that youth know what to expect when they approach the job and what questions they should ask parents.

This course teaches basic and more advanced child care information. Learning methods are designed for use with junior high level students and may be adapted for younger and older participants.

The Red Cross promotes the use of learning strategies that involve students in applying concepts, practicing skills, discussing attitudes and solving problems.

If you have a teenager interested in baby-sitting or just need some help from older siblings at home his course provides valuable skills which will give you greater confidence in your teens ability to care for other children.

The course begins at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 24, at Youth Services. All participants should bring a sack lunch and a baby doll. There is a limit of 20 participants. To ensure your place make reservations.

For reservations or for more information by calling Shirley at 678-6571 or Melinda at 678-7838.

A $13 course fee will be charged, make checks payable to the American Red Cross.

Range students on NMSU Dean's list

New Mexico State University branch campuses in the College of Human and Community Services announced the students who were named to the fall 1989 dean's honor roll list.

To be named to the dean's honor roll list, a student's grade point average must rank within the top 15 percent of the college enrollment. The student must be carrying a minimum of 12 hours on a regular grading schedule. S/U (pass/fail) courses do not count.

The following students from WSMR are on the dean's honor roll list at New Mexico State University:

Tina Garrison Ashby, Sharla Helton Boles, Kevin John Compton, Timothy Gerard Early and Marie Durocher Lake.

White Sands Residence Center also has four Crimson Scholars: Sandra Arble, Tim Early, Jim Nicholson and Mark Williams. The Crimson Scholar program designates sustained academically superior students. To qualify, a student must have completed 28 graded credits and maintain a 3.5 cumulative grade point average.

Retired WSMRite honored as volunteer

Ed Daneliak, retired Chief of Operations, Range Control at White Sands Missile Range, has been honored for his services in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

He was presented with a Certificate of Worthy Contribution during a party given at Thomas Branigan Memorial Library on the completion of training for volunteers.

The program is sponsored by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and supported by the Las Cruces Retired Senior Volunteer Program.

Daneliak has been VITA coordinator for the Las Cruces area for the last seven years.

In addition to the certificate Daneliak was presented with a leather wallet and a cake decorated with income tax forms.

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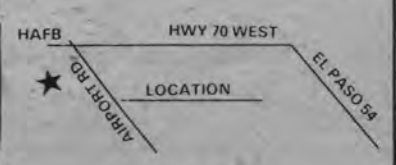
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Roller rink open Feb. 19

The WSMR Roller Skating Rink will be open on Monday, Feb. 19, President's Day Holiday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Fee will be 75 cents per person.

For more information, call 678-1713. Point of contact is Ruth Farnell.

Blue Cross-Shield reps here Feb. 13

The representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield will be here on Feb. 13 to discuss any claim problems. She will be located in Room 233 of Bldg. 124 from 9 to 11 a.m.

The Civilian Personnel Office advises persons to get together any letters, papers and other pertinent documents necessary to properly discuss their claims.

Be prepared to leave copies of these documents with the representative.

Need instructor for kids group

Youth Services is looking for an instructor to teach a new children's performance group class. Major areas for instruction are: singing, voice culture, music theory, musical theatre, dance and showmanship.

Also needed is a photographer to be contracted to do team and individual pictures for the YS sports program.

Students are invited to sign-up for a new tennis class being formed. A tennis instructor is also needed.

Volunteers are needed to help start an afternoon tutoring program at Youth Services.

For more information call Jim Salvador at 678-5043/4140.

Different ideas due for parenting

Are you tired of fighting a battle of wills with your kids? Would you like some different ways to discipline your children?

We could all use some different ideas about parenting and ACS is ready to give you some of these ideas. On Feb. 15 from 1 to 2 p.m. ACS will be offering effective discipline. Classes will be held in the classroom at ACS, Bldg. 250. For more information call 678-7838.

Christians welcome

Are you looking for a better relationship with your Maker? Does it feel like you have no one to talk to? Is anyone concerned about your problems?

The Officers' Christian Fellowship welcomes anyone, officer, enlisted or civilian to the Monday evening Bible study on prayer beginning this month.

For details call 3-5427.

Hail, farewell activities slated

The Command Hail and Farewell will be held on the last Friday of each month.

The next Hail and Farewell will be held on Friday, Feb. 23, at 4:30 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

The purpose of the Command Hail and Farewell is to welcome all officers and civilian employees who have arrived at this installation since Oct. 27 and bid farewel to those who will depart before Jan. 26, 1990.

For more information, contact the Protocol Office at 678-1028.

Tax Guide on sale

The American Society of Military Comptrollers is selling the CCH Master Tax Guide at a discounted price of only $10. The retail price of the book is $21.50

Only a few books are still available. To purchase a Tax Guide call Joe Welch at 678-2350.

Learn the way to work out kinks

Have you ever gotten a tension headache? Have you ever sat at your desk or done housework until your back and arms were so stiff you could barely move?

If so, come to Army Community Service and let us teach you how to work the kinks out. We will be offering a stress-out class on Feb. 21.

The class will run from 10 to 11 a.m. and will be held in the classroom at ACS, Bldg. 250. For more information call 678-7838.

Auto Crafts closed Feb. 21

Auto Crafts will be closed on Wednesday, Feb. 21. This is for the Presidents' Day Holiday which is on Feb. 19 when Auto Crafts is normally closed.

For more information, call 678-5800 or 678-1256.

Pilot Test study update on Feb. 22

A monthly update briefing regarding the Pilot Test study within the Directorate of Engineering, Housing and Logistics (DEHL) has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 22, 1990 at 11 a.m. at the post theater.

WSMR civilian employees who will be affected by the outcome of the Pilot Test study and who desire to attend this briefing will be in a duty status without charge to leave, provided prior supervisory appoval has been obtained.

Post visitor praises our CAC effort

by PFC Shannon Greaney

Last week Helen Tuttle took time out from her schedule of events to join the Community Action Council for a luncheon in her honor. Throughout their two-day visit of White Sands Missile Range, General and Mrs. Tuttle toured much of the installation.

At the luncheon, Tuttle, joined by Rachel Jones, wife of the Commanding General of WSMR received a brief summary of each council member's role in the community, as well as activities each member takes part in at the range.

Tuttle was presented with a plaque on behalf of her visit at WSMR with the Community Action Council from CAC Mayor Joseph Jojola.

She praised the council for being the most actively involved group of its kind, as opposed to similar councils in other communities who generally meet quarterly to discuss issues and concerns of their army installation.

Tuttle regretted she couldn't visit longer, and encouraged correspondence through letters to those who had any unanswered questions.

The Community Action Council of White Sands Missile Range was impressed with Tuttle's winning personality and her genuine concern for AMC communities.

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If you use someone else's prescription, the medicine may very well contain one or more of these substances. Thus, you may turn up positive on a urinalysis test. This could lead to an interrogation by CID and possible criminal prosecution under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. The bottom line is *never* use anyone else's prescription drugs.

These are potential consequences which the soldier who provides prescription drugs to others might face. If the distribution is wrongful, the soldier could be prosecuted under the UCMJ. Civilians who wrongfully distribute prescription drugs could be criminally liable under 21 United States Code Sections 829 and 842.

The thing to remember is that whether you are a soldier or a civilian, you could be criminally liable for distributing prescription drugs. Bear in mind that distribution does not mean sale. You can be convicted of these offenses even if you do not receive anything of value for the drugs. "Distribution" may mean simply allowing a friend to use your prescribed drugs.

The foregoing in more than mere speculation. Recently, during random urinalysis screenings at WSMR, soldiers have come up positive for various prescription drugs. In some cases, this has been due to one soldier giving another soldier some of his or her prescription drugs.

In addition to the legal difficulties already described, use of prescription medicine by persons not properly diagnosed to require such medicine could be very dangerous to their health.

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NCMA to meet Feb. 15 at OOM

The White Sands Chapter of the National Contract Management Association (NCMA) is hosting its monthly meeting at the WSMR Officers' Club on Feb. 15 at 11:30 a.m.

The speaker will be Lt. Col. Vincent J. Faggioli. Faggioli is the Chief of the Legal Office and Staff Judge Advocate at White Sands Missile Range,

He earned his BS degree from the University of Utah in Political Science/International Relations. He has a Masters Degree from Central Michigan University in Public Administration and his law degree from University of Utah. He has a double LLM (masters degree in Law) from George Washington University, one in TAx and the other in International Law.

Faggioli is an Airborne Officer and has attended both the JAG Basic and JAG Graduate Courses and is a graduate of Command and General Staff College.

He has been admitted to the Bar in Oklahoma and the Supreme Court of the United States.

In his military career, he has progressed from second lieutenant, infantry platoon leader to his present position of lieutenant colonel, Staff Judge Advocate.

Faggioli will be speaking on "The Contracting Officer's Authority; Actual and Perceived."

The luncheon will feature a ham plate with sweet potatoes, vegetable, salad, rolls and drink.

The cost is $5. Contact Tim Timmons, 678-3166, no later than noon Feb. 14 for reservations. Visitors are welcome.

S&E women meet Feb. 13

The Southern Rio Grande Chapter of the New Mexico Network for Women in Science and Engineering will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 13, in the NCO Club Lounge at 11:30 a.m.

Membership/renewal forms will be available at the meeting. Dues are $25 a year ($5 for students or unemployed).

The Network is a professional organization for women in non-traditional careers and all members, former members and friends are invited to attend the meetings.

Call Mary Bochmann (678-1291) or Terry Anaya (678-4562) for more information.

AA has two weekly meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous of WSMR meets every Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Command Conference Room at McAfee Clinic and every Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in Room 5, Bldg. 124.

For more information, call 678-4992/3147.

Officers' Call set Feb. 26

There will be an Officers' Call at the Officers' Club on Monday, Feb. 26, at 6:30 a.m. for all officers and warrant officers at WSMR, assigned or attached, to include tenant activities.

The meeting will cover recent developments and changes in the way we do business now and in the future with an exchange of information and discussion on a broad range of topics.

A pay as you go breakfast will start at 6:30 a.m., followed by comments from Maj. Gen. Thomas J.P. Jones, range commander.

For more information, call Lt. Col. Orrison at DPCA, 678-6104/4.

It's now time for a change of pace

All women get a little bored, and all women get a little lonely sometimes. Maybe you are new in the neighborhood, maybe your best friend just PCSed. Whatever, it's time for a change of pace, a change of scenery, a change of company.

Try the Gathering Place, a time and place for women Room in Bldg. 250.

There are no agendas, no classes, no sign in sheets at Gathering Place. We only have something hot or cool to drink, something good to nibble on, some different toys to keep your little ones occupied, and some new friends to discover.

You don't need a reservation, you don't need to register. All you have to do is show up anytime between 9 and 11:30 any or every Thursday morning.

If you need a ride, call 678-3933 and someone will come and pick you up. Hope you drop by soon.

Discounted condominiums offered in Ruidoso by Fort Bliss MWR

The Fort Bliss Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR) is offering discounted condominiums in Ruidoso on a six month test period.

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An additional 10 units are available and arrangements must be made at least 15 days in advance.

These units are reserved on a first come first serve basis with reservations a must.

This program is open to all eligible personnel.

Reservations and information is available from the Special Events Office at Fort Bliss, 568-2811/3881. Twenty-four hour phone service is (915) 568-5654.



Mikey Vigil gets his special award in the traditional manner, upside down, at recent ceremonies at Cub Scout Pack 79 on WSMR. Pinning the medal on is Mikey's mother, Alva, on the right, while his father, Phil, on the left, is assisted by Cubmaster Bob Welo.

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Dental care for children should start immediately after birth

Fewer children experience anxiety towards dental care due to early dental visits and advances in dental treatment according to the American Dental Association.

Parents are now more aware of the importance of early, regular dental visits. In 1983, 28 percent of children between two and four years of age and 67 percent of children between five and 17 years of age had visited a dentist the previous year, but by 1986 these percentages increased to 33 and 71 percent, respectively.

General dentists and pediatric dentists, who specialize in care of children, can provide many tips to parents about preparing their children for dental visits and about preventing dental diseases.

Both dental professionals and parents are becoming skilled in making dental care a positive experience. The American Dential Association recommends that care should begin immediately after birth. Cleaning infant's gums with a soft, damp washcloth or clean gauze pad after each feeding establishes hygiene as a pleasant, daily routine.

A child's first dental visit should be between 6 months and 12 months of age. By age one, parents should use a soft toothbrush and a dab of toothpast to clean their child's teeth. Not only have several of the baby's primary teeth come in, but these visits also help accustom the child to dental procedures.

Parents are instructed in the care and development of their child's teen and in prevention of baby bottle tooth decay. In this condition liquids containing sugars, such as milk or juices, are left in the infant's mouth for long periods of time, damaging the infant's teeth.

Some children initially experience dental anxiety. In particular, they fear injections, drilling and the possibility of choking, but by using a number of behavioral modification techniques, dentists can relax their young patients.

One of the most common techniques is role playing. Unlike adults who can be told what to expect of a procedure, children have difficulty understanding abstractions, so they are shown—or role play—what will happen.

Before treatment, for example, children are introduced to the sounds of vacuum, the spray and the handpiece. When it comes time for treatment, they have already experienced many of the sensations of the dental environment.

Distraction, using stereo headphones or electronic games placed in the waiting rooms, is another anxiety reducing technique. Playing tapes of children's favorite stories during treatments has been found to be especially relaxing.

When 45 children aged four to nine listened to audiotaped stories during dental visits, their level of uncooperative behavior dropped by 80 percent, according to a study published in *The Journal of the American Dental Association.*

Business Report

Sunland Mall offers horse, stable

In celebration of the 61st annual Southwestern International Livestock Show and Rodeo, Sunland Park Mall is holding a drawing tomorrow at 5 p.m. for a seven-year-old, award-winning, thoroughbred mare.

Beginning at 11 a.m. at Center Court, Wild West festivities include a Stick Horse Race for kids, western shootouts by a stunt team, live country music, a trick roper, boot-making demonstrations by Tony Lama and performances by the Viva dancers.

To win the jumping horse, shoppers are invited to fill out an entry form in any Mall store between now and 4 p.m. Feb. 10 and bring it to the Customer Service booth.

Second place drawing winners receive a pair of Judds concert tickets.

Trained in drawsling, the horse comes with stable facilities in Canutillo for a year.

All events are free.

Black History exhibit set

There will be a Black History Exhibit Feb. 14-28 at the Visitor Center, Bldg. 122.

The grand opening of the Black History Exhibit is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 10 a.m. at the center.

Following the ribbon cutting ceremony and tour of the exhibit, a video of the African Children's Choir will be shown. Refreshments will be served.

This year's exhibit features documents and pictures about the life, work and accomplishments of Carter G. Woodson, father of Black History. The exhibit will be on display at the center from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

Supervisors are encouraged to release from duty those personnel wishing to attend the activities consistent with support of critical missions. Time off will be charged as regular duty time.

For further information call Bettie A. Carter, 678-1291.

Non-appropriated fund vacancies listed

NOTE-NOTE-NOTE: The Freeze On NAF Positions Is Off

The following listings include announcements for current NAF (non-appropriated fund) vacancies, open continuous announcements which are used to fill future vacancies, and current vacancies for NAF positions located overseas or in other areas of the U.S.

Information and applications on current local vacancies as well as open-continuous announcements may be obtained at Room 218, Bldg. 124, Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4 p.m. and on Wednesday from 7:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Information on overseas or U.S. vacancies can be found on the bulletin board at the west entrance to Bldg. 124.

TITLE OF POSITION (ANNO #)	GRADE	SALARY	LOCATION	TOUR OF DUTY OR CLOSING DATE
OPEN CONTINUOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS				
Child Caregiver (1-89 OC)	PS-2	$4.19 ph	Child Care	IOC
Bartender (2-89 OC)	NA-3	$4.28 ph	Clubs	1 - S c h
Food Serv Wkr (3-89 OC)	NA-3	$4.28 ph	Bowling Cent	IOC
Custodial Wkr (Trainee-4-89 OC)	NA-1	$3.65 ph	Billeting	IOC
Waiter/Food Serv Wkr (Trne-5-89 OC)	NA-1	$3.65 ph	Clubs	IOC
Recreation Aid (36-88 OC)	PS-3&4	$4.54/4.90 ph	Various	Mixed

NOTE: CURRENTLY SHORT OF CANDIDATES FOR WAITER/FOOD SERVICE WORKER. **(Trainee), NA-1.**

Tour of Duty Notes: IOC = Intermittent On Call. Work is partially scheduled and typically includes 16 to 19 hours per week. 1-Sch = Intermittent Scheduled. Work is scheduled, up to 19 hours per week. Mixed = IOC, 1-Sch, Part or Full Time — depends on vacancy being filled. PT = 20 to 34 hours per week. FT = 40 hours per week.

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These jobs may be enticing to CSC retirees since a NAF appointment has no effect on CSC retirement. All applicants for Overseas positions must be U.S. Citizens.

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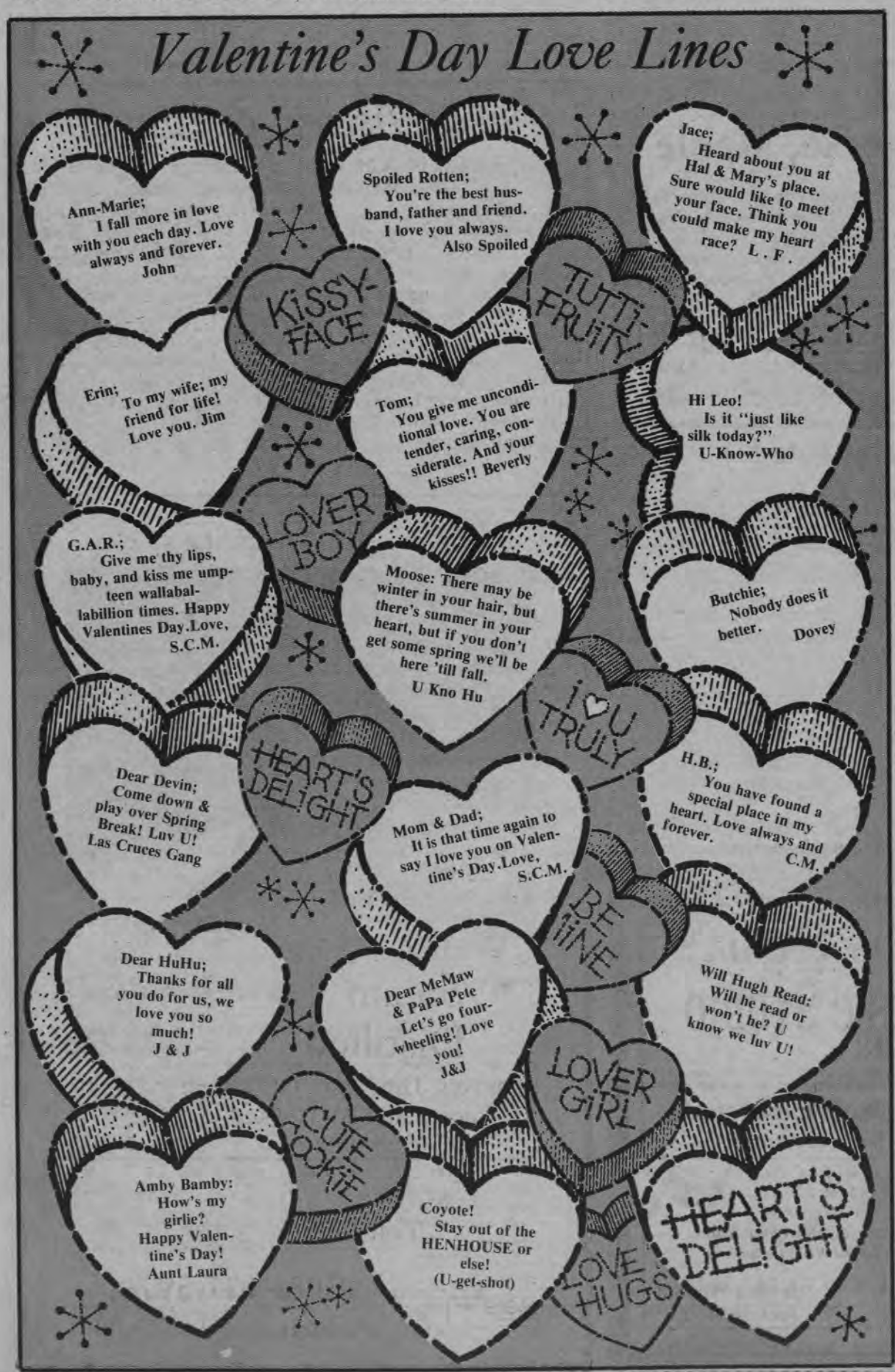
Tomorrow, there will be the Teen Valentine Events, semi-formal, from 8 to 11 p.m. The cost is $1.50 for members and $2.50 for valid guests, 50 cents will be deducted for those appropriately dressed for a semi-formal.

On Sunday, Feb. 11, YS will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. for open activities. On Monday, Feb. 12, YS will be closed. Due to staff shortages and hiring freezes Youth Services must make these schedule changes in operation.

On Tuesday, Feb. 13 there will be a Black History Event which will take place at 4 p.m.

On Wednesday, Feb. 14, there will be a very important Parent Advisory Meeting. At this meeting current issues will be discussed which effect Youth Services and find solutions with parents and members alike. Skateboarding issues will be the main topic.

On Thursday, Feb. 15, there will be Communication Fun for Pre-Teens and Teens.



COUNTDOWN

February is Black History Month and Parade of American Music Month. Check our schedule for special events in those categories.

Recurring events and services.

PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT. Every Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

POOL TOURNAMENT. Every Saturday at 6:30 p.m.

There is no charge for the tournaments. Prize dollars are awarded and can be used for video rentals, or to buy something out of our prize cabinet.

SEWING REPAIR FOR SINGLE & UNACCOMPANIED MILITARY PERSONNEL. This service is offered free on second and fourth Wednesday for each month from 6-9 p.m. Limit to one or two items per person.

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LETTER AND PACKAGE PICK-UP SERVICE. Available Monday through Friday (exept holidays) 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Charges based on weight plus $3 transaction fee (per transaction not package).The Recreation Center uses United Parcel Service (UPS).

COUNTRY DANCE INSTRUCTOR NEEDED. The Countdown Recreation Center is looking for a Country Dance Instructor. Certification as an instructor is needed to teach classes at the Recreation Center. If you are interested, contact Kathy at 678-4134.

TICKETMASTER (Cash Only). Ticketmaster is located in the Countdown Recreation Center, Bldg. 250. Open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.to 5 p.m. Community Recreation Division has a service fee of fifty cents per transaction. Have the correct change.

The Rainbow Ticketmaster outlet at the Countdown Recreation Center will no longer be carrying tickets for UTEP events. All University events such as football, basketball, all concerts, etc. will be available through the UTEP Ticket Center.

SOUTHWESTERN INTERNATIONAL RODEO. County Coliseum, El Paso, Feb. 9-11, 7:30 p.m. all shows except Sundays 3 p.m., County Coliseum, El Paso; $13.25, $9.25, $5.25. Entertainment: Tonight-Augie Meyers, tomorrow-Rocky Thompson.

BUBBLES BUBBLES SOAP. El Paso Performing Arts Theatre, Civic Center, March 11, 2 & 5 p.m.; $12, $9

MAME. El Paso Performing Arts Theater, Civic Center, Feb. 13, 8 p.m.; $31.50, $26.50, $19.50.

OH! CALCUTTA. El Paso Performing Arts Theater, Feb. 10, 8 p.m.; $22.60, $15.55 in advance, $18.80 day of dance at the door only starting at 7 p.m.

Other tickets available through ITT at the Countdown Recreation Center:

Allen Theatres, Las Cruces $3 ea.;General Cinema, El Paso $3.25 ea.;Red Lobster, $4.25 for a $5 gift certificate.

There is a 50 cent charge per transaction, not per ticket.

Magic Kingdom Club Card for Disneyland entitles card holder to various discounts — free.

Discount cards for Sea World, Universal Studios, Knott's Berry Farm, Great American Club, Magic Mountain, Movie Land Wax Museum, San Diego Wild Animal Park. All discount cards are available at no charge.

For more information, come by the Countdown Recreation Center or call 678-4134.

OWC art auction tonight

Tonight the Officers' Wives Club will sponsor its annual Art Auction starting at 5:30 p.m.

The club will close its regular dining separations and will offer a choice of three specials. Tender thick beef tips in a gravy over rice or seafood thermidor for $8.95. We will also offer our famous soup and salad bar for $3.85.

Come out, enjoy, the view and buy some great art plus help support the wives club. The special dinner selections will be sure to please the most critical art buyer.

Looking for something special for your favorite Valentine? Give your club a call now and make reservations for Wednesday, Feb. 14, between 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. for a romantic candlelight dinner for two. The O Club will serve you and your special date in the style and elegance fitting this occasion.

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Victorio treasure story earns place as a legend

by Jim Eckles

Stories of lost and buried treasure abound in the West. In New Mexico alone there are dozens of legends and stories dealing with gold and silver hidden away in the recesses of one mountain chain or another.

One of the newer and most popular stories (it comes close to rivaling the Lost Dutchman in the Superstition Mountains of Arizona) deals with Victorio Peak, right here on White Sands Missile Range. It is typical of all lost treasure stories in that there is little or no hard evidence, there are a few facts mixed in with the avalanche of rumor and for some reason the location is lost or it is somehow now inaccessible.

The Victorio Peak story begins in November 1937 when Milton E. Noss went hunting in the Hembrillo Basin of the San Andres Mountains. By the way, Noss is also called "Doc" because he often passed himself off as a doctor. He was not and was arrested for practicing medicine without a license.

While hunting Noss supposedly climbed Victorio Peak to take a look around. On his way up it began to rain and he took shelter in a natural opening on top. In a small room there he moved a large boulder and discovered a shaft leading down into the moutain.

He came back later with his wife Ova and climbed down into the shaft. He supposedly followed the faults in the peak down several hundred feet until he found a large room. After exploring the large room and several other small ones he returned to the surface.

By most of the accounts, he reported to Ova he had found a room large enough to drive a train into. Through it a stream of cold water ran. There were chests filled with Spanish coins, jewelry and religious artifacts. Also, there were Spanish documents, Wells Fargo chests and thousands of gold bars stacked like wood. Finally, there were 27 skeltons tethered to the floor.

Understandably, the value of this treasure has grown over the years with inflation and the increased value of gold. Years ago some estimated its value at 26 million dollars. Now the Noss family says it may be worth three billion dollars. Funny things about inflation though. All those original reports say there were 27 skeletons. Now the family is saying there are 79 bony guardians down there.

From 1937 to 1939 Noss and his wife supposedly worked to bring the treasure to the surface. During this time Noss worked diligently hauling up bars and hiding them all around the region. He never let Ova go down into the treasure chamber and he always hid the bars himself. They say he didn't trust anyone. She claimed he was worried about her getting hurt or kidnapped.

Apparently there was some sort of choke point in the fissure which made it difficult crawling out with the loot. So Noss hired a mining engineer to dynamite that point and enlarge it. Too much explosive was used and the "squeeze" was blasted shut. Efforts to open the shaft or bypass it proved futile.

Before we continue this story we have to consider where this alleged treasure may have come from. The most written about and talked about source has to be the legendary Padre La Rue mine.

This legend is usually associated with the Organ Mountains, but, what the heck, Victorio Peak is only 40 miles to the north. Around 1800 there was a young priest named La Rue working with a small Indian tribe in Mexico. He befriended an Old Spanish soldier who, on his deathbed, told La Rue about a fabulous vein of gold just two days north of Paso del Norte (El Paso).

Because the Indians were starving, the padre led them to



Milton E. Noss

this area and found the rich vein. What they found to eat I don't know, but the story says they did mine the gold for several years.

The Spanish sent soldiers to find out what had happened to the padre. When La Rue heard they were coming he had the Indians hide the gold and all evidence of the mine. They were then captured by the Spanish who killed the padre and all his followers in a vain attempt to find the location of the mine.

Many people will have you believe that Noss found the original mine, while others say it is just the secret hiding place. Ova did produce a photograph of some gold bars which Doc brought up and one is clearly stamped with the name "La Rue." Could Victorio be the site of the original mine or the hiding place with the mine located somewhere in the vicinity? I like numbers -- let me throw some at you.

Expeditions Unlimited had an assay done on some of the rock in Victorio Peak and it came back showing one-tenth of an ounce of gold in each ton of rock. To get 100 tons of gold (a number usually cited by supporters based on the number of bars reported) from a site with this concentration of gold would require crushing and processing 32 million tons of rock. In South Dakota, the Homestake Mine is the most profitable and longest lived gold mine in the Western Hemisphere. There the gold assay is two and a half times richers than the sample from Victorio Peak and it has taken them a century to extract 1,000 tons of gold -- using modern explosives and equipment, I might add.

According to my Time-Life book on rare metals, a ton of ore in the South Dakota mine is equal to about 19 cubic feet. If rocks are similar in the Victorio Peak area, we are talking about removing and processing over six-hundred million cubic feet of rock. That is equal to a pile of rock the size of a football field and over two miles high. Where do you suppose the padre hid it?

OK, OK, maybe ore that poor isn't a fair test. Let's say the ore the padre mined was 100 times richer. No, let's say it was 1,000 times richer than the Expeditions Unlimited sample (an assay of 100 ounces of gold per ton or rock). Doing the same calculations we end up with a pile of mine tailings the size of a football field and 12.5 feet high. Still sounds impossible to hide.

Another story which avoids these unpleasant numbers deals with Emperor Maximilian of Mexico. According to this story, he was trying to flee Mexico with all of his riches. The mule made it and the stash was hidden in Victorio Peak with the porters being left to die in the cave. Unfortunately for Maximilian, he didn't make it out of Mexico.

A third story has the German government sending a shipment of gold over to Pancho Villa and the gold being waylaid in New Mexico. The gold was supposed to be used by Villa to support his attacks on the United States and draw the U.S. into war with Mexico so the Americans would not go to Europe and fight in World War I.

The fourth explanation of gold in Victorio Peak is the one about it being a repository for Apache raiders. This would explain the Wells Fargo chests found down there by Noss.

Then there are the combo explanations which marry a couple of these into one story. One of the most persistent is that La Rue's gold is down there and the Apaches also used it to store loot. This explains the Mescalero Apache interest in the gold hunts at Victorio Peak. They claims any gold found in the peak rightly belongs to them since they stole it and then hid it in the peak during the 19th Century.

Once Noss blew up the en-

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Victorio treasure story

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trance to the treasure room the story of the peak gets more complicated with a variety of helpers, witnesses and financial backers. All accounts say Noss had already removed hundreds of gold bars from the mountain as well as a great deal of jewelry and other artifacts before the explosion. It was illegal to own gold in those days but no one has really explained why Noss needed financial backers to dig out the cave-in.

Anyway, Noss had a number of allies working at the peak. In 1941 a group of about 20 people, who had furnished money and labor, formed a company to raise money to straighten up and timber the shaft.

During the war Noss disappeared and divorced Ova while he was living in Arkansas. He came back in 1945 and the small group wanted to incorporate but Noss refused.

Noss turned up again in 1949 working for Charley Ryan in Alice, Texas. Nos supposedly talked Ryan into traveling with him to New Mexico to check on the mine. When they got to Victorio Peak they found Ova controlling the site with a state permit which allowed her to prospect there. Noss allegedly told Ryan not to worry and they filed claims on sites north of Victorio Peak which contain some lead bearing ore.

According to court testimony, after several weeks Ryan finally realized he was being duped by Noss. Ryan also said Noss proposed a scam involving the lead claims. Ryan testified he stopped his lead mining opperations on March 4 and 5, 1949 and told Noss he was leaving New Mexico after he called the sheriff to come and arrest Noss for fraud.

Noss struck Ryan and ran out of the Ryan house in Hatch and shouted he would kill them all. Ryan stepped out on the porch and fired two shots from his own pistol. The second shot struck Noss in the head and killed him instantly.

Ryan's murder trial was held on May 25 and 26 in Las Cruces. The jury brought in a verdict of not guilty based on self-defense.

There wasn't much testimony about buried treasure during the trial. The Noss family will have you believe there was a conspiracy of silence and Doc was killed over gold bar. Supposedly, Ryan went to Ova afterwards and asked for a partnership in Victorio Peak. She refused.

We do know Ryan later received lease payments from White Sands for the lead mining claims. He had 13 claims and was paid $300 per year.

Next week -- more Victorio Peak stories with Capt. Fiege and the Air Force connection and hard rock mining with the Gaddis Mining Company.

History essay contest set

February is Black History Month and the Countdown Recreation Center does not want to be left out of the happenings. The Countdown Recreation Center is sponsoring an essay contest. The subject is: "The Father of Black History-Carter G. Woodson: A Living Legacy."

This contest is open to all military personnel, active-duty, retired, their family members and all civilians who work at White Sands Missile Range. Entry forms may be picked up at the Countdown Recreation Center. Deadline is tomorrow at 8 p.m.

Special video movies will be available for rent at the Countdown Recreation Center during the month of February.

There will be a special Black History Program at the Countdown Recreation Center on Feb. 12 (Lincoln's Birthday) beginning at 5:30 p.m. with an Ethnic Pot Luck Dinner. Poetry, historical biographies and speeches, music and songs will be featured.

If you would like to participate this evening, contact the Recreation Center at 678-4134 and tell us what you would like to bring for the dinner and/or what you would like to do in the program.

February is also Parade of American Music Month as well as Black History Month.

There will be a Bluegrass, Folk and Country Music Jam Session on Sunday, Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. at the Countdown Recreation Center to round out Parade of American Music Month.

For more information on this or any of the other programs you are interested in, call 678-4134.

POST LIBRARY

by Rita Smith

Head first is a good place to start with this week's list - both figuratively and literally. Head first: "The Biology Of Hope" is by Norman Cousins. In it he continues his exploration of the mind in combating illness. On to the spirit is Harold Kushner's new book, "Who Needs God," and Robert Fulghum's "All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten."

On to the funny bone with Art Buchwald's "Whose Rose Garden Is It Anway"' his usual commentary on American politics and government; "The Fifth Garfield Treasury" by Jim Davis; and then a great source for the wondering of life, "When Do Fish Sleep? And Other Imponderables Of Everyday Life" by David Feldman.

How about the heart? Life really. We've added four biographies this past month; sadness and joy. Earvin Johnson's "Magic's Touch;" Ralph Abernathy's "And The Walls Came Tumbling Down" - a view of his own life; Beau Riffenburgh's "Great Ones: NFL Quarterbacks From Baugh To Montana:" and, finally, Lewis Cole's biography of basketball's rising star Len Bias, "Never Too Young To Die," a tragic portrait of great promise and pitiful end.

Now, in this group I'm not getting down to the feet (travel books) but how about one of the most universally loved, obsessive, sensual, passions around? The stomach. Howard Hillman's latest edition of "Kitchen Science: For Fun And Success In The Kitchen By Knowing The Hows And Whys," is a look at kitchen/food science that could be compared to Feldman's book listed above. And as a piece de resistance' Julia Child's new book, "The Way To Cook," is an introduction to preparing all the basic foods, wonderful pictures, and ready recipes.

Give us a call at 678-5820/1556 to reserve any of these books - that what they're here for: to share with you.

Monthly air defense warning systems test Monday a.m.

The monthly test of the WSMR air Defense Warning systems (sirens) will be conducted between 10 and 10:30 a.m., Monday, Feb. 12.

The purpose of the test is to ensure adequacy of the post sirens and to familiarize WSMR personnel with the warning signals.

The "attention" or "alert" (steady tone) will be sounded for one minute, followed by one minute of silence, and then the "attack warning" signal (wavering tone) will be sounded for one minute.

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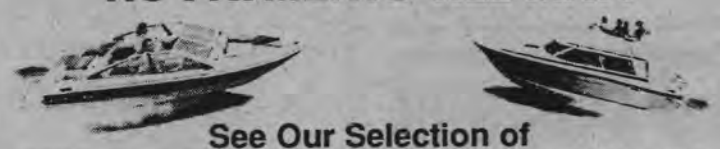
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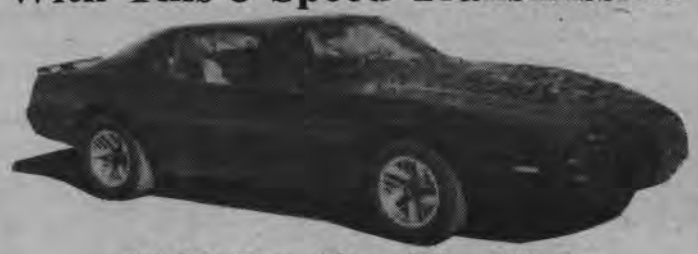


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Adoption hours at the horse facility are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week. To reach the Southern New Mexico Correctional Facility follow the signs on Interstate 10 west of Las Cruces.

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Competition continues tomorrow in bowling tournament

After the first weekend of competition in the Women's City Tournament, the leaders in Division I are: Team Kentucky Fried Chicken; doubles, Coffman/Myers; singles, Kay Escalante; all events, Brenda Myers.

The leaders in Division II are: Team Video Vixons; doubles, Ansley/Manning; singles, Jan Stepp; all events, Angela Hunt.

Competition continues tomorrow in doubles and singles at Las Cruces Bowl and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in team event and Roadrunner Lanes.

The only league to report in this week was WSMR Classic: Paul Medeiros, 207-200/594; Al Dickerson, 203/573; Doyle Wooly, 213-200/569; Simon Grijalva, 217/565; and Willie Dunn, 203/543. Other high games were Glenn Tucker, 209; Rick Blair, 204; and Jose Gerrero, 201. Grijalva had the high average, 185.

League secretaries should be sure and turn in the publicity sheet so bowlers can receive recognition.

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On Feb. 24, Bell Gym will be having the third annual Presidents' Day Biathlon.

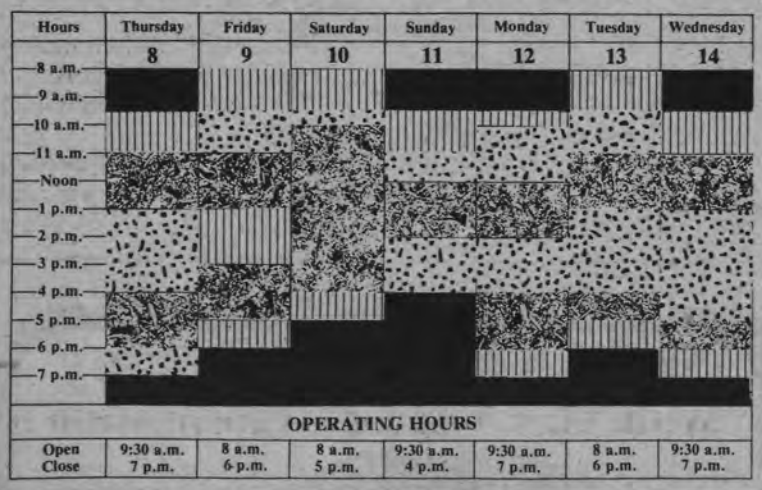
The event will consist of a 10K run and a 40K bike and will begin at 9 a.m. at Bell Gym.

For more information, call the Bell Gym Sports Office at 678-3374/5625.

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WSMR ROOTS: An Afterword and Some Afterthoughts (Continued Still)
by Tom Starkweather

At this rate the "afterword plus afterthoughts" may be longer than the main story. But the comments continue to come in and I feel compelled to address them.

In Part IV of WSMR Roots, writing about the Manhattan Project, I said that the commonly accepted explanation of how Trinity Site was named was that Oppenheimer had taken it from the Hindu culture. Apparently, I was mistaken for I recently received this correspondence.

"Tom,

Just a few note on the naming to Trinity Site. It seems to me to be one of those things which will never have a definitive answer but will be decided by popular opinion in the coming decades.

•"The Los Alamos Brochure, *Los Alamos 1943-1945; The Beginning of an Era,* states Oppenheimer chose the name and never indicated what he had in mind when he chose the name TRINITY.

•"The official U.S. Army History, *U.S. Army in WWII, Special Studies, Manhattan: The Army and the Atomic Bomb,* pretty much cops out on the issue and quotes Lansing Lamont's version from his book *Day of Trinity* which was published in 1965.

"Lansing Lamont has the most quoted version - the one which will eventually win out in the collective mind of most Americans, I think. Lamont says Bainbridge received permission from Gen. Uzal Ent to use a section of the Alamogordo Bombing Range for the test site. He called Oppenheimer who was relaxing by reading John Donne poetry. Bainbridge urged Oppenheimer to give the site a code name and Oppenheimer had just read 'Batter my heart, three - person'd God. . .' and he told Bainbridge to call it Trinity.

•"James Kunetka, in his book *City of Fire, Los Alamos and the Atomic Age, 1943-1945,* merely retells the Lamont version.

•Peter Wyden, in his book *Day One, Before Hiroshima and After,* also uses the Lamont version.

•"Richard Rhodes, in his book *The Making of the Atomic Bomb,* supports the Lamont story but with much more detail. He quotes from a letter supposedly sent to Groves by Oppenheimer which explains the name. Rhodes says Groves wrote to Oppenheimer in 1962 asking for an explanation. Opoenheimer responded, in short, with the idea that John Donne poetry was on his mind and he specifically mentions a devotional poem (14th of the Holy Sonnets) with the line, 'Batter my heart, three person'd God. . .'

"Ferenc Morton Szasz presents a number of theories behind the name in his book *The Day the Sun Rose Twice.* A couple seem pretty farfetched. He mentions the John Donne theory and dismisses it. He holds out for some intellectualism from Marjorie Chambers who builds a fantastic theory based on Oppenheimer's upbringing. She builds the Hindu version which, it seems to me, to be a total fabrication.

•"The Jim Eckles version does not appear in any book or brochure but certainly is as believable as the Chambers' Hindu mumbo-jumbo. The test was going to prove the work of three research facilities which did not exist at the beginning of the war. Los Alamos, Oak Ridge and Hanford were basically built from nothing. Together this triad or trinity was responsible for building a working atomic bomb.

"I don't think number 8 will overtake Lamont's version but there is always hope." Jim.

Thanks for writing, Jim. I concede that the Hindu derivation may not be the commonly accepted explanation. In addition to postulations such as the Christian Trinity, the abandoned turquoise mine and the three bombs under construction that I referred to in Part IV, other conjectures that I have read or heard in television documentaries on the origin of the site's name include: the three major axis powers; the three major allied powers; and, the three branches of our federal government. We also have speculation such as the Eckles "three facilities" supposition. And, there is the John Donne poetry theory. You pays yer money and you takes yer choice, I reckon.

Here's another letter:

"Reference: WSPG Vol VI, Letter 4, September 1989.

I believe I can clear up some of the history in the early days of the rocket programs having had a small part in making that history.

"The Bazooka rocket was developed on the East Coast and not at Cal Tech as indicated in 'WSMR Roots: OCO' in the referenced issue. When intelligence reports indicated that rockets were being used in WWII the Ordnance Department brought together Col. L.R. Skinner (stationed then at Aberdeen Proving Ground) and a Dr. Monroe (a professor at some eastern university) at the Naval Power Factory near Washington, D.C., to put togehter their past efforts. Skinner was - in his spare time - deveoping a small rocket motor and Monroe was working on high explosive shape charges. The result of their combined efforts was the Bazooka to destroy tanks.

"After the bazooka was developed and in production, Skinner was assigned as the Ordnance Corps Technical Representative to Johns Hopkins University Laboratory that was developing the promimity fuse. Then in May 1944 when OCO contracted with Cal Tech (GALCIT) to develop rockets and guided missiles, Skinner was assigned to head up a OCO sub-office to direct the technical effort of the contract. The Jet Propulsion Laboratory was already in existence at that time. The Army Air Corps had contracts with Cal Tech to develop JATOs. Col. Joiner was their representative there in the 1944-45 time frame. About July 1944, I was transferred from the sub-office, Pasadena, Calif. to become Skinner's assistant.

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"I am not aware of what all the Hermes Project entailed but some time around the early part of 1945, OCO contracted with Bell Telephone Laboratory to make a study of the possibility of developing an anti-aircraft missile to defeat a certain threat. A short time later a small team of BTL personnel came to JPL to study what JPL had learned from their research up to that time. After learning what their areas of concern were, I set up conferences with appropriate JPL personnel. After completing their report and making a presentation to OCO, they were given a contract to develop the Nike Missile System.

"In regard to the selection of a missile test site, I believe this was covered in the communication to you in January 1985. The Corps of Engineers report was given to Col. Trichel who, in turn, sent it to us in Pasadena, Calif. for our recommendation as to where the test site should be located.

"As I remember the report mentioned several locations that were visited but only listed three with topographical and environmental data. Two of the sites were in the Nevada-Utah area (Wendover being one) and the third was the Tularosa Basin in New Mexico. The Corps of Engineers did not recommend any one test site for a proving ground. That selection was made by (then) Col. Skinner, (then) Capt. Drewry, and (then) 1st Lt. E.W. Bradshaw, Jr. I do not remember if we kept the report or returned it to OCO. If it remained in Pasadena, it would be wherever the sub-office files were stored when the office was closed. I believe the office was closed sometime around the mid to late 50s.

"Hope this will be of some help, Sincerely," E.W. Bradshaw, Jr., Lt. Col. USAR Retired.

Col. Bradshaw is certainly one of this nation's missile and rocket pioneers. When the OCO rocket sub-office was closed at pasadena, its records were removed to Washington, D.C. I carried on a lengthy correspondence with the JPL historian at one time, obtaining much interesting material on their organization but little on WSMR.

Bradshaw's memory on the selection of the Tularosa may be accurate, however, keep in mind that JPL had designated launch site in the Tularosa and actually conducted firings there in late 1944 and early 1945 before there was a White Sands Proving Ground so the CE Report could have been an earlier one or the one I have labeled "Genesis."

The next installment of "WSMR Roots: An Afterword and Some Afterthoughts" will reprint his January 1985 correspondence. In some future series, I hope to do biographical sketches of both he and Skinner and an article on the development of the bazooka.

Traveling troupe to perform at Youth Service Feb. 16

An award winning children's performing group will perform and present a free instructional class on Feb. 16, 11:30 a.m., at Youth Services, Bldg. 1316.

In cooperation with YS, Child Development Services (CDS) and the Latch-Key Program the Sunshine Generation has been invited to the WSMR community.

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If enough interest is generated, a contract will be made with this or another group to start classes for local children. This new venture will be a creative addition to the regular YS programs and offers a different entertainment source for local events.

For the performance and free class, arrangements have been made for youth from CDS and the Latch-Key program to be bused to YS. Parents of these and other school age kids, who will be on holiday Feb. 16, are invited also.

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A wide selection of menu items, lunch and dinner specials, family dining and special events are offered to the entire community.

A great way to start is the breakfast buffet each Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The club offers such traditional breakfast items as eggs to order, omelets, breakfast meats, pancakes, waffles and pastries plus a large selection of fruits and juices and plenty of hot coffee or tea.

The club has just added a Poor Man's Special, along with the regular ala carte dining each Monday in February.

Tuesday's special is ala carte from the New Menu from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday is the popular Steak by the Ounce. We offer a choice of New York or ribeye steak for your selection and cut to your specifications at 75 cents per ounce. This steak special comes with thick sour cream and rich creamy butter or golden brown steak fries plus vegetable of the day, Texas toast and our soup and salad bar. That's steak by the ounce each Wednesday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at your club.

Thursday is our family dining featuring barbeque ribs. The ribs are charbroiled to perfection using special herbs and spices and our own tangy, thick sauce, with potatoes, vegetables and the soup and salad bar prepared for your family each Thursday this month. Adult prices are $6.95, children 7-11 years $2.95 and children 6 year old and under are our special guests.

As you can see the club offers something for everyone. Make reservations for these and other special events by calling 678-2055 or 2057.

Friday, Saturday discos planned for NCO/ENL Club in February

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Come over and have a good time dancing to the lastest sounds. There will also be a light show with each Disco.

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