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MEDIA ADVISORY Final plans for golden anniversary "Evening of Appreciation"

Media are invited to cover a program tonight to commemorate the golden anniversary of the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey.

"An Evening of Appreciation: Celebrating 50 Years on the Monterey Peninsula," which begins at 5 p.m., chronicles the university's move from Annapolis to Monterey and salutes the local community for its sustained support for the institution.

NPS is Monterey County's fourth largest employer and has an annual payroll of about \$250 million.

Cong. Sam Farr (D-Carmel) will join business and civic leaders for the event, along with several of the "trekkers" -- faculty, alumni, and family members who made the historic move.

"An Evening of Appreciation" begins at 5 p.m. with a short program of remarks and a slide presentation. A reception immediately follows the program.

Media are welcome to interview trekkers and other guests attending the event.

Media must contact Lt. Cmdr. Greg Hicks, NPS Public Affairs Officer, at 656-3649 or 277-1251 (cell), or John Sanders, at 656-3346/277-4299 (cell) to be placed on an access list. Television and radio stations may make arrangements for live remote broadcasts.