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International sponsorship

Offering advice and gaining friendships

Adjusting to a foreign culture is seldom easy. As one international NPS student, LT Jorge "Franco" A. Franco, Columbian Navy, puts it, arriving here and facing the total readjustment can make a person feel "like you've landed on Mars."

The NPS sponsorship program offers help in bringing a person back to Earth and adjusting to the way of life in the United States. Under the program, U. S. voluteers lend sistance to international students and their families by offering advice on U. S. customs, introducing them to the local area, and basically answering whatever questions they may have, according to Cynthia Graham, foreign military assistant in the international office. The program is strictly voluntary and no financial obligation is involved.

Participation in the sponsorship program can result in a long-lasting international friendship between families. LT Rigoberto "Ricky" Saez, USN, and LT Jorge "Franco" A. Franco, Columbian Navy, are a prime example. Both electrical engineering students, the two have become, by their own admission, very close friends. They golf and sail together, attend social events and travel together with their families and generally "share everything including problems," said Franco.

Many social activities are planned for international students and their sponsors, Graham said. These include skating, skiing, canoeing, rafting, picnics, fairs, rodeos, dancing and many other free events and trips.

Sponsoring an international student also offers an opportunity to learn of another culture first hand. In addition to sharing holiday traditions and the like, it "is a good opportunity to practice or learn a foreign language," said Saez.

The language barrier is often a deterrent for would-be onsors, according to Graham. "Many people want to sponr people who can speak the language, so we always have sponsors for Canadians, Britons and Australians. We're short about 30 sponsors for students from Korea, Turkey, Greece and Indonesia," she said. (continued page two) Support the Blood Drive at NPS (see page 2)

January 24, 1986

In brief...

The Monterey Navy Flying Club will celebrate its 22nd birthday on Jan. 28 at the NPS Barbara McNitt Ballroom. BGEN Everett "Brick" Holmstrom, USAF, will be the guest speaker. He will talk about his adventures during a bombing raid over Tokyo and a bailout over China after the raid. He will also present a film.

The event is open to anyone interested in aviation. There will be an attendance fee of \$5 per person, which must be paid in advance. Checks may be mailed to MNFC, Party Committee, 806 Airport Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

The U. S. Naval Institute will host its first west coast professional seminar on Feb. 12 at the Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado in San Diego. The seminar is titled "The Future of Surface Warfare."

The four-session, daylong seminar is designed to be of interest mainly to active duty surface warfare professionals. For reservations call the Naval Institute at (301) 268-6110 or write: U. S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, MD 21402.

From the Asst Dir Mil Ops

by CDR Paul S. Buege

As we have in past years, the Naval Postgraduate School will again be hosting four blood donor drives for the Naval Hospital, Oakland, in 1986. The first of these blood drives is scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 28, 0900-1400, in the Barbara McNitt Ballroom.

We've been quite successful in the past and Naval Hospital, Oakland, considers Monterey to be one of its most supportive sites. During our last blood drive in October 1985 we had 136 volunteers and averaged about 130 for each of the four drives held last year. That's certainly indicative of a generous, humanitarian spirit in a lot of people here in Monterey.

The blood, although collected by Naval Hospital, Oakland, is available for use by any military medical activity throughout the world. There will be few better opportunities for you to donate -- no heavy operational periods at sea, no flight schedules, no field maneuvers. Also, the dates of the blood drives have been selected to have minimum impact on the academic workload.

Sign-up sheets have been routed to department chairmen, curricular offices, department heads, and other offices but signing up ahead of time is not necessary to donate. It takes only about 40 minutes and free coffee and donuts are provided. Hope to see you in the McNitt Ballroom on Jan. 28.

_____ Safetyline

During the first quarter of FY86, the safety office recorded 13 mishaps, all of which involved civilian injuries. Two mishaps resulted in lost workdays.

One NPS safety goal is to reduce the number of civilian injuries to less than 11 per quarter. Achieving this goal will require that supervisors and employees pay greater attention to working conditions. Fewer injuries mean less chance for loss of life or limb, not to mention the pain and financial loss.

Tip of the month: It doesn't take a whole lot of time to size up the job before doing it. It does take a lot of time to investigate an injury and the job still has to be done anyway. Take your time and do it right.

Sponsorship program

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While the language can be a problem, "students must speak English before they come here," she said. "And they learn fast. Wives also can learn the language through a free program sponsored by the international committee."

Every effort is made to get a sponsor before the international arrives, according to Graham. If the sponsor is a student, then the office tries to match them by curriculum in addition to interests and marital status, she said.

Anyone is eligible to become a sponsor, said Graham. If you're interested in lending a helping hand, contact the international office at 646-2186.

Radio club to hold classes

Does speaking to peopl all over the world sound interesting to you?

If so, there is an opportunity to acquire a novice amateur radio license through the NPS Amateur Radio Club training classes.

Classes begin Jan. 27 in Spanagel Hall, Room 321 and will be held every Monday and Thursday, 1900-2100, for five weeks.

Registration is \$5 and there is no age limit. For further information, contact CDR A. P. Sosnicky at ext. 2056.

Military awards

Navy

Commendation Medal LT Lewis J. Ciochetto, USN LT Eric A. Copeland, III, USN LCDR William H. Daley, SC, USN LCDR Richard D. Dowling, SC, USN LCDR Steven A. Park, SC, USN (gold star in lieu of second)

Coast Guard Commendation Medal LTJG Dale E. Streyle, USCG

Navy

Achievement Medal CAPT Charles R. Dickinson, USMC LCDR Donn W. Jones, SC, USN (gold star in lieu of second) LT Rex G. Putnam, Jr., USN LT Nicholas A. Trongale, USN

Fire Dept. responds to mergency medical needs

"Out of the 348 calls we recieved last year, 60 percent were medical runs," said Fire Chief "R.G." Nutt, who has been with the department since 1972.

The 22 men and one woman of the NPS Fire Department wear the hats of an emergency medical team, as well as their fire hats.

"We cross-train frequently with the Monterey and Airport districts, carry out fire prevention inspections, and hold medical training. We have all had 40 hours of a "first responder" course, which involves chemical hazard fire control. We have seven Emergency Medical Technicians in the department, as well. As a result, we've saved seven people from heart attacks and helped deliver seven babies in the past five years," he said.

When do they wear their fire hats, as it were? According to Chief Nutt, they "responded to seven fires in La Mesa Village last year, five of which were due to the removal of smoke detectors.

"Fire prevention inspections can be thanked for the low cost to the government over a 10-year period. We ad only a \$50,000 loss from 1972 to 1982. In 1985 it was only \$50," he said. That compares with the \$11.7 million cost to the government by the Navy and Marine Corps worldwide last year.

The NPS Fire Department covers not only the NPS grounds and La Mesa Village, but the airport annex, as well. "From a sound sleep, we can respond to a call from housing or the annex in four-and-a-half minutes; from NPS in a minute and a half. "We have the capacity to knock down a fire, say, at the Navy Exchange, in three or four minutes,"said Nutt.

And, as if they didn't train enough, the fire crew is involved in four firemen "musters" a year- where they compete with other departents in smothering staged fires. "We've taken first and second places every time," said Fire Chief Nutt.

Dental offers free exams for children

Make sure your children's smiles stay bright with a free dental exam and fluoride treatment at the NPS dental facility.

As part of the Flouride Festival co-sponsored by the NPS dental facility and the Officer Students' Wives' Club, all dependents of NPS and tenant command personnel age 5-18 are eligible to participate in the free exams and flouride treatment.

The exams will be held all day Monday, Feb. 10, at the dental facility, located on the fourth floor of Herrmann Hall.

Exam appointments are necessary and can be made by calling Lyn Mattson at 373-2817, Feb. 3-5, 1000-1500. For further information, contact DT1 Varner or LT Dibelka at ext. 2477.

Rec news

The Fort Ord rec office has the following tours available. Call 242-3092 for more information.

Reno, Jan. 31-Feb. 2, \$68; whale watching/aquarium, Jan. 25, \$14; Warriors vs. Philadelphia, Feb. 1, \$18; San Francisco "get acquainted," Feb. 8, \$13; San Diego/Tijuana, Feb. 14-17, \$105; Disney On Ice, Feb. 8, \$10/\$15; San Francisco factory outlets, Feb. 22, \$16.

Classified ads

Ads will be run on a first come, first served basis. Please notify the PAO of any ad cancellations by calling ext. 2023. Ads will be run for a maximum of two weeks unless resubmitted.

FOR SALE: '81 YAMAHA 650 SPECIAL II, excellent cond., 7400 miles. Incl. 2 helmets & rain cover. \$1000 or best offer. Call 375-4943 after 1800.

WANTED: Experienced word processor w/own IBM compatible equipment to copy typed manuscript onto discs. Call 625-6529.

1981 HONDA CIVIC WAGON \$4200/offer. Digital clock, AM/FM cassette, roof rack. Call Jim at x3107 or 375-8382.

FOR SALE: 1980 YAMAHA 250 motorcycle, 75 mpg, \$575. Two girl's bikes, 16" strawberry shortcake, \$30; 20" \$30. Call 646-9920.

FOR RENT: room and private bath, Del Monte beach, 3 min. from NPS. Call Jean, x2162/3. Tenant urgently needed by Feb. 1.

Navy Flying Club offers lessons

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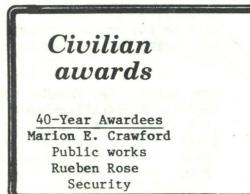
Since 1964, the Navy Flying Club has offered active duty, DOD civilian employees and drilling reservists and their dependents the opportunity to get their wings and experience the joy of flying.

The club teaches beginners as well as qualified navy pilots how to attain their private license. Pacific Grove night school also offers classroom instruction for anyone working towards their license.

Before a person can fly solo, they must have a FAA medical examination. Forty flying hours are pre-requisite for attaining a private license.

The flying club presently has 18 aircraft for private use and the cost ranges from \$23 to \$65 an hour. The club averages 50-75 students throughout the year.

If you would like to know more about the club, located on the northeast side of the airport, you can contact the club manager, Tom Woolcock, at 372-7033. If you're stationed at NPS, you can also contact the club president, LCDR Jim Moore, at ext. 2536. The flying club presently has about 300 members.



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Job announcements

Applications for the following vacancies are now being accepted in the Civilian Personnel Office. Consult the Merit Staffing Program Announcement in your department for further information.

Position &			
Announcement #	Location	Grade	Closing Date
Computer Specialist 85.79.1	FNOC	GS-12	05 Feb 86
*Clerk-Typist	Various	GS-04	29 Jan 86

*This announcement will be used to establish a register of eligibles that may be used to fill various clerk-typist, GS-0322-04, positions at NPS and tenant commands. All applicants who meet the minimum eligibility requriements, regardless of civil service status, are eligible to apply under the Direct-Hire Authority for clerk-typist positions.

Calendar

JANUARY

-24-0830-1030 WCP SEMINAR SP-231 (POC: LIZ CLARK, EXT 3052)

1630-1915 STUDENT RECEPTION HOME OF RADM & MRS R.H. SHUMAKER

-28-

0900-1400 BLOOD DRIVE BARBARA MCNITT BALLROOM

NAVY FLYING CLUB BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

-30-1930 OSWC WELCOME ABOARD COFFEE BARBARA MCNITT BALLROOM

FEBRUARY

-01-PISTOL QUALIFICATION (POC: LT RATSEP, EXT 2069)

-3 TO 13-FRAC COMP SHORT COURSE AS-S602 IN-221 (POC: LCDR DUKE, EXT 2884)

New hours

The NPS child care center has new extended hours of operation. Hours are: Monday-Thursday 0745-1730, 1800-2100 Friday 0745-0130 Saturday 1700-0130 Sunday Church hours as arranged by chaplain