

# Orienteor

DEFENSE MAPPING AGENCY AEROSPACE CENTER

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## Guard Select

### NFFE To

### Represent Them

In a representation election concluded October 14, the majority of the DMAAC non-supervisory guard force cast its mail ballots in favor of having the National Federation of Federal Employees (NFFE) represent them. Twenty-three of the 40 eligible guards voted in the election with 16 (69 1/2%) voting for and 7 voting against exclusive recognition.

Section 10(3) of Executive Order 11491, as amended, states: "When a labor organization has been accorded exclusive recognition, it is the exclusive representative of employees in the unit and is entitled to act for and to negotiate agreements covering all employees in the unit. It is responsible for representing the interests of all employees in the unit without discrimination and without regard to labor organization membership. The labor organization shall be given the opportunity to be represented at formal discussions between management and employees or employee representatives concerning grievances, personnel policies and practices, or other matters affecting general



During the Deputy Secretary of Defense's visit to the Aerospace Center, Col. James H. St. Clair, DMAAC Director, explains some of the DMA products to the Secretary. At this table he points out the hydrographic products. Looking on in the background is Col. Perry Smith, a member of the Secretary's party. Admiral Cramer, DMA Director, looks on from the foreground.

## House Action Affects Budget, Appeal Made to Senate

The Department of Defense Appropriation Bill for fiscal year 76 as passed by the House of Representatives reduced the DMA budget request in excess of \$15 million, according to information received from DMA Headquarters. The Secretary of Defense, however, has appealed to the

"It is our hope that the Senate will restore the \$12 million and that the House will agree," said Captain J.R. McDonnell, DMA Chief of Staff, in a letter to Center Directors.

It is anticipated that Congress will resolve this issue sometime in

## Deputy Secretary of Defense Visits Center Oct. 22

Deputy Secretary of Defense, William P. Clements, Jr., was the honored guest of the Center October 22nd as he received a comprehensive orientation of the Defense Mapping Agency activities.

Accompanying the Secretary to DMAAC were Mr. Alan Woods, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs; Col. Perry M. Smith, military assistant to the Secretary; and Vice Admiral

Shannon D. Cramer, Jr., Director of the Defense Mapping Agency.

During his tour the Secretary received briefings from Colonel St. Clair, DMAAC Director, and Lawrence Ayers, DMAAC Technical Director, on the mission and the products of the Defense Mapping Agency. Special displays were assembled in the 6th floor conference room to acquaint the Secretary with the products of the Topographic Center, the Hydrographic Center and the Aerospace Center.



Deputy Secretary of Defense, William P. Clements, Jr., signs the guest book prior to beginning a tour of the Aerospace Center. In the background are Alan Woods, principal deputy assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs and VAdm Shannon D. Cramer, Jr., Director of the Defense Mapping Agency.

other matters affecting general working conditions of employees in the unit."

## **CFC Final Totals Set New Record**

The Final results for the Center's Combined Federal Campaign was an unprecedented \$80,763 which is 24% higher than last year.

This year's campaign literally smashed all previous records as 92 percent of the work force took an active part in the campaign. Of the total contributions 49% pledged through payroll deduction thus achieving the goal set prior to the campaign by Project Officer Jerry Becker and Assistant Project Officer, Maj. Phillip Wilder.

Another record setting figure was the number 64 representing the total number of Fair Share givers at the Center. Also impressive in the campaign was the fact that every Department, Directorate and Staff Office reached or exceeded its goal.

The Center average per capita, payroll and contributor pledge was \$25.44, \$43.10, and \$27.69 respectively. Last year the rates in the same categories were: \$19.97, \$38.79, and \$22.89.

"Being the CFC Project Officer for the Center has been a very rewarding experience," claimed Jerry Becker. "It was truly inspiring to see people at all levels take a genuine interest in the campaign. Not only were people interested in their community and

however, has appealed to the Senate and requested that they restore approximately \$12 million of the reduction.

## **Letters of Appreciation**

Two letters of appreciation received within the Center have praised the work of Roger Mitchell, MD, and SMSgt. Glenn Kelly, FIO-E.

Mitchell was cited by Col. Larry Pfeiffer of the United States Air Force Europe, for his outstanding support in demonstrating the use of a data base with the APPS during Exercise Cold Fire in September.

SMSgt. Glenn Kelly was complimented by Col. Robert Johnston of the Military Airlift Command, for his work in support of a recent MAC survey team that General Carlton directed go to Africa and identify possible flight hazards and facility deficiencies for Air Force and civil carriers.

fellow man, but there was organizational esprit de corps toward meeting goals. All who have contributed can be proud of commitments to the brotherhood of man. A special thanks to the many campaign workers who demonstrated the United Way theme of "People Helping People."

will resolve this issue sometime in November. In the interim, DMA has implemented a very restrictive hiring policy but one which will not adversely affect incumbent employees. The agency has also taken actions to reduce non-people oriented programs where feasible so as to lessen any possible impact on people.

In a letter to DMAAC employees the first of this month Col. James St. Clair, Center Director, indicated four areas where restrictions would be applied in an effort to meet the new funding restrictions.

1. Civilian strengths would be frozen at the September 30, 1975 on-board levels plus the number of firm commitments made prior to that date. Hiring from outside would be restricted to replacement of 25 percent of the vacancies occurring in permanent positions on or after October 1, 1975.

2. The annual program for overtime and holiday premium pay would be reduced.

3. Travel funds would be reduced by approximately 45% of the annual program.

4. And some contract requirements would be identified as possible candidates to meet the Congressional reduction.

The Director intends to keep the work force fully informed of actions regarding funding restrictions as the information becomes available to this Center.

Cramer, Jr., Director of the Defense Mapping Agency.

## **New Air Pollution Code Enforcement For South Annex**

In a reply letter to the DMAAC Director, Donald Pecsok of the St. Louis County Air Pollution Control, has indicated that St. Louis City, St. Louis County and the Missouri Air Conservation Commission are taking steps to enforce Regulation XXIII of the Air Quality Standards and Air Pollution Control Regulations in an effort to improve the ambient air quality in the 8900 South Broadway area.

The regulation cited by Mr. Pecsok allows for a reduction of the allowable emissions from air pollution sources in the South Annex area.

A letter of October 8, 1975 from the City of Saint Louis Division of Air Pollution Control advised the Chairman and members of the Missouri Air Conservation Commission of a failure of the area monitored by one of their stations to attain national air quality standards of sulphur

dioxide and particulate matter. The station is located at 8227 South Broadway. The City letter also indicated that St. Louis County monitoring data indicated similar failures.

The City letter formally reported to the Missouri Air Conservation Commission the failure to attain the air quality standards and requested the Commission's consideration and action under the regulation.

Correspondence from the United States Environmental Protection Agency Region VII in Kansas City on October 16, 1975 indicated that the Missouri Air Conservation Commission in cooperation with the City of St. Louis Division of Air Pollution and the St. Louis County Division of Air Pollution Control are initiating action under Regulation XXIII of Air Pollution Control Regulations for the St. Louis Metropolitan Area.

The correspondence from St. Louis County to DMAAC was in response to a visit by Center Director, Colonel St. Clair, to Mr. Pecsok and a subsequent letter inquiring about action being taken by the County regarding air quality at the DMAAC South Annex installation.

Employees will be advised as information becomes available on future action.

**Women's Day**

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# Five Mark 30 Years Service

**ERNEST B. GONZA, PDF,** began his Federal career in February 1943 with the Army Air Corps and served for three years. He was a cryptographic technician and assigned to the 14th Air Force with overseas duty in the CBI Theatre. He returned to Federal service in August 1948 at the Aeronautical Chart Plant at 12th & Delmar and was assigned to the Reproduction Division. All of his service since then has been spent in the Reproduction/Printing Department, Finishing Division,

truck driving school, he was sent to England and in June 1944 went to France with the Third Army. He stayed with the Third Army until his discharge February 24, 1946.

He worked at the Post Office for 18 months prior to coming to the Chart Plant at 12th & Delmar on April 23, 1951 as a guard. In November 1956 he was reassigned to Facilities Engineering, Roads and Grounds at South Broadway becoming foreman two years later. Since 1967 he has been

1952 when he returned to DMAAC.

He has been assigned to the Aeronautical Information, Research and Missile Support Departments and is presently assigned as a physical scientist in Air Target Materials/Missile Support Division, Directorate of Programs, Production and Operations.

**ERNEST E. GALLEGOS,** who transferred from MDMB to the Geodetic Survey Squadron in July,



Gonza

where he is presently assigned as Chief.



Gaines

**RICHARD E. GAINES, PDB,** was inducted into the Army at Jefferson Barracks on May 28, 1941. He was assigned to the 28th Quartermaster Corps and spent three and a half years overseas in England, France, Germany and Belgium, prior to discharge on July 17, 1945.

He returned to Federal service in January 1950 at the Veterans Hospital at Jefferson Barracks and that same November he transferred to the Chart Plant at 12th & Delmar. He has been assigned to the Printing Department Press room where he is presently assigned as a warehouseman.



Kelly

Mr. Kelly adds, "I am a Deacon of True Light M.B. Church and enjoy my work in the church very much."

**JOSEPH S. PLATTE, PPT,** began his career with the Army Air Corps in June 1943 receiving his commission in October 1944. He served as a Bombardier/Navigator until December 1945.

He began his career at DMAAC on April 12, 1948 as a cartographer and his assignments included work involving aeronautical information and technical development of analytical photogrammetric processes.



Platte

celebrates his "30th" on November 4.

He was drafted into the Army Air Corps in 1943, and was assigned as a flight engineer gunner on B-24 in the 15th AF, 459th Bomb Group, 760th Sq. He had to parachute into enemy territory (Vienna) and was a POW for nine months at Stalag No. 4.

After his discharge, he returned to college, graduating from the Catholic University of America in 1949, then returned to the Federal service at the Army Map Service. He moved on to the Engineer Research and Development Laboratories and after six years there, on to the Chief of Engineers for the next ten years. He was assigned to the Military Airlift Command at Scott prior to transferring to DMAAC just before the



Gallegos

## Menu Additions At Dining Halls

The dining halls at 2nd Street and South Annex now have hand-carved beef and ham sandwiches on various types of bread, or served on a plate for those watching their figures. The meats are cooked daily and served with aujus.

To go with the sandwich, the dining halls have a fresh vegetable or side dishes of lasagna and ravioli. Barbeque (ribs, pork steak and hamburger) is prepared daily and served with hot or mild sauce at the 2nd Street Dining Hall. Salads and other accompaniments are also available. Major brand beers can be purchased to add zest to the meal.

The Base Restaurant Council said that barbeque will be served at both locations throughout the winter. Plans are now being made to purchase three open hearth gas broilers to be installed in the dining halls at 2nd Street and South Annex. This will allow barbecuing in-doors and will offer an opportunity for charcoal broiled steaks and hamburgers.

Comments and suggestions of any kind on the operation of the dining halls and snack bar should be forwarded to the Base Restaurant Council members, who are: Gerald Schuld, SOC; Kenard Whitfield, PRP; Robert Spors, MDA; Robert Schnure, ADD; and Mary Ann Hinton, POA.

## Savings Bond Award To Defense Mapping



warehouseman.

**ROBERT L. KELLY, FEMS,** was drafted into the Army on August 11, 1943. After attending

He was recalled to active duty with the Missouri Air National Guard on March 1, 1951. He served with SAC as an Armament and Electronics Officer until August 3,

## CTS Golf Team Gets Trophy



Colonel Kenneth D. Negus, CTS Commander, receives congratulations from March AFB Commander, Colonel Gary E. Spohn when the CTS Golf Team won the base championship. Members of the team are (1-r) John Simpson, Billy Scarborough, Jerry Cornwell and Gordy Goff.

sierring to DMAAC just before the reorganization in June 1972.

He is now assigned as a geodesist on the Operations Division staff at GSS.

## IRS Book Explains Home Buyer Credit

The publication that answers the most asked questions about the five percent tax credit for the purchase of a new principal residence is now available free from the Internal Revenue Service.

Besides presenting questions and answers on the credit, IRS Publication 591, "Tax Credit for the New Home Buyer," reflects the recent change in the law which allows certain homes that were originally ineligible to now qualify a buyer for the credit.

According to the IRS booklet, new home buyers are entitled to a credit against their Federal income tax equal to five percent of the purchase price of a new principal residence, up to a maximum of \$2,000. Married persons filing separate returns are limited to \$1,000 on each return.



Vice President Nelson Rockefeller presents the 1975 Savings Bond Excellent Achievement Award to Vice Admiral Shannon D. Cramer, Jr., Director of the Defense Mapping Agency. "I accepted the award on behalf of the entire Defense Mapping Agency for having achieved Honor Roll status (70% or higher participation) as a result of the 1975 Savings Bonds Campaign," said Admiral Cramer. During the campaign, DMA achieved 70.4% participation and was among 21 other agencies reaching that level.

## Additional Scouting Info

Last issue of the Orientor provided information on individuals at the Center who had been involved in area scouting activities. The information, supplied by the St. Louis Area Council office, should have included the fact that Wallace Haviland, Donald White and Charles Piller were also involved in the Project Outreach camp held during the summer.

## Award to New PO Chief

Donald Harvey, newly arrived chief of the DMAAC Civilian Personnel Directorate, received the SAC Exemplary Civilian Service Award during ceremonies at the Director's staff meeting.

He was recognized for his distinguished performance as Civilian Personnel Officer at Minot AFB, N.D. from April 26, 1970 to August 22, 1975. "During this period, Mr. Harvey consistently performed in an outstanding manner, displaying professional skill and leadership, resulting in the administration of a highly effective civilian personnel program," noted the citation.

## Topo Center Installs Message Sending Device For Deaf Employees

A device to enable deaf employees to communicate with their homes has been installed at the Defense Mapping Agency Topographic Center. The device, the Manual Communications Module, is about the size of a small portable typewriter, has a keyboard and is an attachment to a telephone. It has a small screen across which letters of the message march, much as news flashes in lights parade across the facade of some buildings.

Eight of the DMATC deaf em-

ployees have similar equipment in their homes so that, in the event of need, they can call District of Columbia and county emergency services, as well as other places equipped to communicate with those who cannot hear.

The Defense Mapping Agency counts on the handicapped in the discharge of its global activities with 8.43 percent of DMA's work force persons with disabilities. That percentage is a pace-setter in the Federal Government, Civil Service figures show.



Here is the call that placed the "silent communication center" in

## Patrolman Of Month



Sam F. Scarce has been selected as the DMAAC Security Policeman for the month of October.

He served in the Air Force from February 1970 until November 1973 with rank of sergeant. He has been at the center the past year and a half.

Scarce lists Edina, Mo. as his hometown.

## Awards At CTS

Several awards and one major promotion were noted recently at the Cartographic Technical Squadron at March AFB.

Promoted to the rank of colonel was Squadron Commander, Col. Kenneth Negus. The promotion was effective October 1st.

MSgts. Bob Barden and Toney Charles received the Distinguished Graduate award in consecutive classes of the March AFB Management School.

SSgt. Larry O. Palmer received a suggestion award check for \$45.00 for his suggestion to combine two overlays in the cartographic compilation phase of the 200 Series chart production.

## Bosses Day Brings Cake



Bosses Day, October 16, brought about many acts of compliment throughout the Center as bosses received flowers, cakes, lunches and praise from those they supervise. One example was in PRP where secretary Ruth Plafcan brought in a cake for her bosses inscribed with each one's name. Shown with Ruth are James Hart, Ray Nikrant, Jerry Becker, and Kennard Whitfield. Top boss Lt. Col. Jerry Grotz was not available for the photo.

## CFC Draws Area Praise



Here is the call that placed the "silent communication center" in operation at DMATC September 17. Barron Gulack, an employee with impaired hearing, punches out a message on a telephone keyboard attachment, transmitting letters read at his home in Gaithersburg, Md., by his wife.

200 Series chart production. Bill Wagner received an Outstanding Performance rating and a quality step increase. This will result in a raise of approximately \$1200 per year.

## Calendar of Events

NOV.	EVENT	WHERE	INFO
4	DMAAC Women's Club Rummage Sale	150 W. Argonne Kirkwood	Mrs. Murphy/966-5779
6	Association of Litho Club	Salad Bowl	L. Held/4846
7	Arsenal Credit Union Annual Meeting/ Dinner-Dance	Rodeway Inn	771-5050
11	FBA Lunch & Mtg.	Carpenters Hall	D. Black/4142
13	DMAAC Women's Club	Coast Guard Club	Mrs. de la Pena/487-3956
20	ASP Meeting	McDonnell-Douglas	M. Marks/4443
21	BLOODMOBILE	2nd Street	H. Kadowaki/4031
21	AFA Joint Meeting with Scott Memorial Chapter	Ramada Inn-South	D. Kuhn/8254
26	OLD NEWSBOYS DAY		
27	HOLIDAY — THANKSGIVING DAY		

Contact Shirley Sostman/4563 to have your December events listed.

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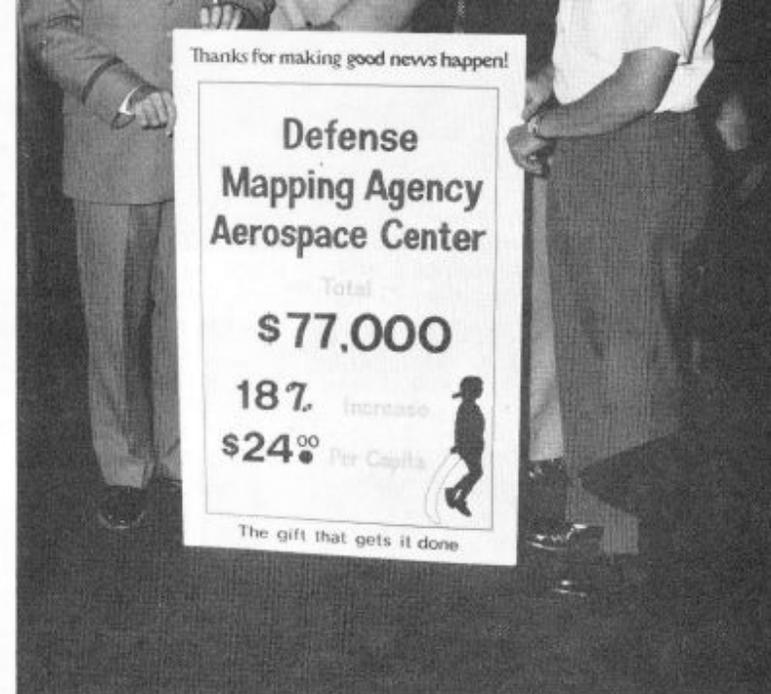
### ARSENAL CREDIT UNION

### ANNUAL MEETING

### DINNER/DANCE

**Friday, November 7, 1975**

**Rodeway Inn**



On October 10 the Center had reached the \$77,000 total and was praised by St. Louis Area Combined Federal Campaign Chairman, Robert Dunn, in a letter to Colonel St. Clair. "Thanks for the great credit your Center has brought to the CFC and the Federal family. Even more important is the incalculable salutary effect that all your efforts will have on the lives of those served by participating agencies," said Dunn. Above, Colonel St. Clair; DMAAC Loaned Executive to the CFC, Clay Ancel; Center CFC Project Officer Jerry Becker and Assistant Project Officer Maj. Phillip Wilder are all smiles as they display the \$77,000 mid-campaign total. Final totals of the Campaign were even more generous (see story page one).

**Badge Awareness Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26**

# Federal Women's Day At Center



Last Friday was Federal Women's Day at the Aerospace Center as the agency paid tribute to the dedicated female members of its work force that help to make the Aerospace Center team one of the best in DMA.

Special briefings on the mission and products of the organization were presented throughout the day to interested employees. The briefings were presented by the Director, Deputy Director and Technical Director. Throughout Friday afternoon special activities were taking place in the dining hall to provide employees with information on the Federal Women's Program and various aspects of the personnel system. Information tables were provided on class and wage, training, updating the SF 171, the Spanish Speaking Program, Civil Service Commission programs, and other items of interest to all employees. Counselors from Personnel were available to discuss the programs

## At Presstime

Charlene Gill, (MD), Federal Women's Program Coordinator for DMAAC, was named one of three Women of Achievement in the Greater St. Louis Federal Women's Week competition which climaxed last Friday night with the honor banquet. Mrs. Gill was honored for contributions in community service. Other winners were Betty Parker of AVSCOM and Carol Eberhard of FHA.

