

GOOD NEWS

CFC Over Top \$138,000 Plus

The Aerospace Center Combined Federal Campaign went over the top last week as the \$134,000 goal was exceeded by more than \$4,000.

According to Mrs. Gretchen Hawk, Center project officer, "This year's campaign has been tremendous. I really appreciate all the work everyone has done to make the campaign successful and many generous people who helped us surpass the goal."

This year 88% of the work force participated in the campaign with 68% making their donations through the payroll deduction plan.

Last year the Center broke all records with a \$123,061 contribution and this year continued that record setting pace with the \$138,000 plus contribution.

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"Nobody Knows Better Than You" — Randall Speaks on Women in Government

"Nobody knows better than you what you want to do," said Jeanne Randall, Department of Defense FWP, to over 200 Center employees during the Federal Women's Week observance October 17.

The remark was made as she

encouraged women in government to plan their own careers and to develop that career plan in conjunction with supervisory and personnel assistance. "I am glad to see so many supervisors here today," she said, "because the

supervisors, the managers are important to the success of the Federal Women's Program." She urged supervisors and employees to discuss career opportunities and to recognize and discuss talent of the individual as it applies to the development of the career plan.

"The Aerospace Center has come a long way and has a long way to go," she remarked, "but I see continuing steady progress."

She talked of national FWP goals in terms of "Doable" vs "Esprit de Corps." And pointed out that

Two FWP Awards Go To Center

Two major awards in the St. Louis Metropolitan Federal Women's Program awards competition went to the Aerospace Center and one of its employees during the recent Awards Luncheon held October 17th.

Winning in the individual competition for self-development (GS-7 and higher) was Mrs. Gretchen Hawk, GD. The overall agency award competition was won by the Aerospace Center with the award presented to agency Director, Colonel James St. Clair.

Mrs. Hawk has been with the Aerospace Center for 11 years and during that time has actively pursued self-development training and community service activities which have increased her value as a Federal employee. In keeping with her position as a cartographer/photogrammetrist she has taken courses in calculus and analytical geometry, statistics, geometry, and computer concepts. In terms of personal development, she has also taken adult education courses in pottery, oil painting, scuba diving, interior decorating and conversational Spanish.

Mrs. Hawk holds a masters degree in Management and Human Relations from Webster College.

Mrs. Hawk has been active in the local chapter of Federally Employed Women and was selected for membership on the Aerospace Center Federal Women's Program Council.

Most recently she served as the Aerospace Center project officer for the Combined Federal Campaign.

The overall agency award was presented to the Aerospace Center for its assertive action in a number of areas which support the goals and objectives of the Federal Women's Program.

Key among these actions was the Center's TERCOM recruitment

efforts which resulted in the hire of some 300 cartographers, 28% of which were women. The recruitment effort took 28 recruiters (29% women) to some 49 college and university campuses throughout the United States in a five month period.

The Center's Upward Mobility program which allows 16 employees (11 women) to actively pursue career goals was another item of assertive action. Under the program, employees who occupy Upward Mobility positions are provided an opportunity to have input into the program and to evaluate their personal progress from their perspective.

Other points included in the nomination were the 1977 Federal Women's Week celebration and the sound and slide show developed by the Center; the Stress Workshop developed by the Center Federal Women's Council; the Child Care Study made by the FWP Council; and the Aerospace Center training programs which provided opportunities for self-development in a variety of institutions.

In the individual self-development (grade 6 and below) Patti Chapman of the Office of Communications was the Aerospace Center nominee and one of the top contenders in the Metropolitan competition.





DoD FWP Coordinator Ms. Jeanne Randall (second from right) chats with Center Director Col. James St. Clair, Technical Director Lawrence Ayers and EO Officer, Ms. Gail Penn, prior to addressing employees during the FWP celebration at the Aerospace Center.

Gold Turns to Silver For Three Officers

Three of the Center's military officers have been notified of their selection for promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel during the coming year. The three include Major Dexter Armstrong, Major Phillip Wilder and Major Jack Dills.

Also receiving word of his promotion was the SAC Liaison Officer Major John Weikel (complete story carried elsewhere in this issue).

Major Armstrong has spent his entire military career in the charting service either as a member of the old USAF Aeronautical Chart and Information Center or as a member of the Defense Mapping Agency at the headquarters or with the Aerospace Center in St. Louis. He began his service in 1963 as a student in the Center military cartographer course. He is

currently Program Manager for Advanced Digital Programs in PPGD.

Major Phillip Wilder, also in PP, serves as a Production Status Project Manager. He has been in the Air Force since 1963 with most of his duty associated with aerial and ground surveys around the world. He began his tour with the Aerospace Center in 1975.

Major Jack Dills started his Air Force service in 1962 in a reconnaissance technical squadron at Barksdale AFB. He has served as a cartographic staff officer with the Military Assistance Command in Vietnam and with the 15th AF at March AFB, Calif. He came to the Aerospace Center in 1977 as a cartographic staff officer in Plans and Requirements. His position and function has now been incorporated in the new Systems and Techniques Directorate.

"Fairytale." And pointed out that she was encouraging the objectives of the program be linked to the budget system through the POM.

She admitted in her opening remarks that she had always hated maps but after receiving a briefing and tour of the Aerospace Center and seeing the complex technology required she now loved maps.

Ms. Randall was introduced by Center Director, Col. James St. Clair.

Credit Union Annual Meet

The Arsenal Credit Union will hold its thirty-first Annual Shareholders Meeting at the Electricians Hall, 5850 Elizabeth Ave., at 6:00 p.m., November 2.

Following last year's format, the meeting will take on a convention atmosphere, with information booths set up and staffed by credit union personnel and officers to explain the many new projects, services and plans the credit union has to offer.

Aside from the booth visitations, the meeting will be highlighted by the election of officers, a buffet dinner served at 7:00 p.m., gift drawings and refreshments.

Members can purchase tickets at any of the credit union offices for \$2.00 per person. If attending the business meeting only, no ticket is necessary.

Recreation Program
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Mrs. Gretchen Hawk and Center Director, Col. James St. Clair, admire awards received during the recent St. Louis Metropolitan Federal Women's Program Awards Luncheon. Mrs. Hawk won the St. Louis competition in the self-development (GS-7 and above) category. Colonel St. Clair accepted the large trophy on behalf of all the Aerospace Center work force as the Center took top honors in the agency competition.

AF Secretary Sends Letter of Praise

Secretary of the Air Force John C. Stetson called his briefings and tour of the Aerospace Center "most informative" in a letter of appreciation sent to the Director of DMA, Lt. Gen. Abner Martin.

General Martin, in forwarding the letter to the Aerospace Center,

said he had also received several verbal comments expressing that the Secretary was highly pleased and impressed.

"Please express my sincere appreciation to the entire Center for a job well done," wrote the general.

Defense Mapping Agency Trades Old Paper for \$

The Defense Mapping Agency (DMA), which makes maps and charts, also makes money—after a fashion—from its discarded paper.

The proof is a recent check for \$4,850.90 which DMA received in payment for map paper which has been recycled at the Aerospace Center over the years. This is the first time that DMA has realized any return on the sale of waste paper.

Called the "solid waste management-collection, disposal, resource recovery, and recycling program," the system set up in the mapping agency provides for systematic collection of suitable paper for resale, just as the agency has for some time been recovering silver from its photographic film at a tidy annual return (\$152,226 in 1977).

Lt. Gen Abner B. Martin, USAF, Director of the agency, said the first check "is just a starter. We're in this program in earnest, not only because we stand to recover actual cash benefits, but because we want to reduce waste wherever we can."

Special containers are being placed in the buildings of the

agency's major components in the Washington, D.C. area and in St. Louis. Employees will be trained to sort the paper when they discard it, so that preferred quality paper will go into designated containers to be processed separately for maximum dollar return.

At present, the emphasis is on high-grade paper; eventually, DMA's solid waste management will extend to numerous other kinds of solid waste materials, such as beverage containers, corrugated containers, newspapers, metal, wood, food services, etc., that can be recycled and used again by industry.

Besides paying attention to their scrap paper disposal, DMA employees also routinely use the clean side of discarded papers and maps as work sheets and scratchpads.

The agency gets back \$8.00 for every \$10.00 of waste it turns in to the program operated by the Defense Logistics Agency. The money gained from the program is used to improve waste management further in the interest of preserving natural resources.

General Slay Guest Speaker For Joint AFA Meet

General Alton Slay, commander of the Air Force Systems Command, will be the guest speaker for



Bits And Pieces

From the Black book:

This fall has been one of the prettiest in the Ozarks that I've seen for many a year. The colors made a slow change and leaves held to the trees for a longer period. I was just noticing the other evening, as I journeyed home, the variety of foliage along the interstates to the South. As the sun cast its setting rays through the branches along I-55 Mother Nature seems to turn every leaf just right to take advantage of every bit of illumination. It's a most refreshing sight and indeed a photographers dream.

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We all owe a vote of thanks to the people in Finance and Accounting for all their efforts last payday in getting the proper paychecks to the work force. They had to go through several types of paycheck issue as the deadline for Congress approached and no funds had been approved for the FY 79 pay. As each hour brought a change of procedure the good people in F&A re-evaluated their position and adjusted accordingly to assure that all of us got the maximum amount of pay that could be legally issued. On behalf of all my creditors — Thanks for the service.

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Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour Sunday. Everybody else is going to return to standard time, you might as well too.

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If you're driving the night of the 31st be extra watchful as the little

Fire Prevention Week Observed



Equipment from the St. Louis Fire Department which would support the Aerospace Center in the event of an emergency practiced their duties during Fire Prevention Week observances at the Center. This photo was taken during the practice fire drill conducted by the members of the Aerospace Center Fire Prevention Office. Demonstrations of the aerial ladder, snorkel and rescue van were conducted. Special fire prevention displays were also located in the entrance lobby of Building 36 and the 2nd Street Dining Hall.

IAGS Technology Week 14-19 May in Canal Zone

A "Technology Week" for Latin America will be held 14-19 May 1979 by the Inter American Geodetic Survey (IAGS) in the Panama Canal Zone to highlight recent advancements in mapping, charting, and geodetic (MC&G) technology and to introduce new

The Cartographic School at Fort Clayton, C.Z., is undergoing a modernization program to improve its capabilities for training and technological cooperation with Latin American mapping organizations. Since its establishment, the School has assisted in

...and, will be the guest speaker for the 5th Annual Air Force Association Joint dinner meeting for the Spirit of St. Louis and Scott Memorial Chapters.

The meeting will be held November 4th at the Scott AFB NCO Club beginning with social hour at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations must be made by October 31st and price per person is \$6.50. This price includes the top sirloin steak dinner with salad, baked potato, vegetable, dessert and drink.

General Slay took command of AFSC in March of this year. Prior to that he was Deputy Chief of Staff, Research and Development, Headquarters Air Force.

The program will be open to both



members and non-members on a first come basis. Seating will be limited to the 452. The Spirit of St. Louis Chapter has 226 tickets allotted.

For additional information or to order tickets contact Robert Brulle, 872-7323.

Congress Approves IG Function

Offices of Inspector Generals will become a reality in 12 Federal agencies including the Department of Defense if the President signs a bill recently passed by Congress.

The legislative package is designed to combat corruption and fraud in government.

Agencies covered by the legislation in addition to DoD are: Agriculture, Commerce, Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, Interior, Labor, Community Services Administration, Environmental Protection Agency, NASA, Small Business Administration and the Veterans Administration.

The inspectors will make semi-

annual reports to Congress on their activities and findings. Each inspector will be appointed by the President but their reports may not be edited before being sent to Congress, under the terms of the bill.

Presidential approval is expected.

**S. Annex
Bloodmobile
Nov. 3**

ghosts and goblins flurry around the streets on their way to trick or treat..

In Sympathy

ARTHUR H. BRAASCH, AC, died on Saturday, October 14. He had been at the Aerospace Center since November 29, 1948 and was assigned as a cartographer in the ATM Nav/Plan Charting Division.



Services were held at the Church of the Master on Wednesday, November 18 with interment at Valhalla.

He is survived by his wife Marian and a son and daughter.

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technology and to introduce new courses scheduled at the IAGS Cartographic School.

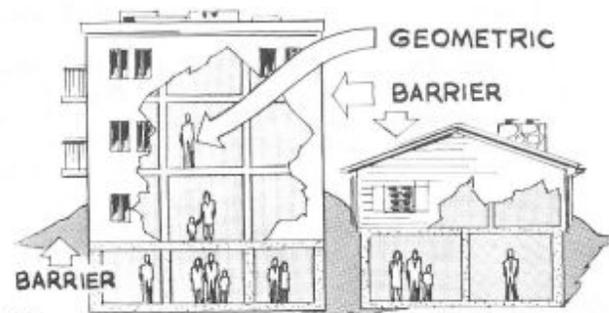
This week will also feature exhibits of MC&G technologies and techniques for the benefit of managers and high-level staff personnel who will be attending from national surveying and mapping organizations.

ment, the course is scheduled to train nearly 5,000 students from Latin American agencies.

While basic surveying and mapping courses will continue to be offered new generations of equipment and a more broadly based instructional staff are required to respond to the needs of Latin American agencies.

DID YOU KNOW - ?

THAT FALLOUT SHELTERS WITH HIGH PROTECTION FACTORS ARE ACHIEVED BY PLANNING OF GEOMETRIC AND BARRIER RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN RADIOACTIVE SOURCE AND SHELTERED ENCLOSURE.



WITH GEOMETRIC SHIELDING, PEOPLE ARE OUT OF THE DIRECT PATH OF RADIATION OR SOME DISTANCE FROM IT. BARRIER SHIELDING PUTS MASS BETWEEN SHELTER OCCUPANTS AND RADIOACTIVE SOURCE.

MORE FACTS? CONTACT YOUR LOCAL CIVIL DEFENSE

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Five Reach 30 Year Mark

LAWRENCE M. CARROLL, Jr., GDCB, reached the 30 year mark on October 9. He worked at the Post Office during the 1943 holiday season then entered the Army in July 1944. He was assigned to the 3rd Army, 4462d Quartermaster Corps and served in the African and European Theaters, then with the 3448th Trucking Co. in Southeast Asia. He received his discharge in August 1946.

He was attending college when he was recalled in October 1950 for the Korean conflict. He was

October 17. He worked for the National Maritime Service, Transportation Corps as a civilian from October 1944 until April 1946.

He entered the Air Force in July 1948. He was assigned as a radio operator on B-29's stationed at Yokota Air Base, Japan for nine months and flew missions over Korea. He received his discharge in July 1952.

He returned to Federal service at the Aerospace Center in September 1952 and was assigned as a carto compilation aid. He is

tober 19. His Federal career began with his entrance in the Army in September 1948. He was assigned as a Communication Specialist with the Army Security Agency's 8605th Field Office in Hawaii for four years. He received his discharge in August 1954.

He entered on duty at ACIC on September 27, 1954 and was assigned to the Photogrammetry Division, Photo Mosaic Comp Branch as a carto aid. After attending the Carto School from June to December 1957, he was assigned



Carroll



Stephens



Rutledge



Dalton



Bland

assigned as Asst. Conductor of the 315th Army Band at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. until discharge in 1952.

He returned to college and graduated from Stowe Teachers College with a BA in Education and Music.

He returned to Federal service in April 1953 at the V.A. Regional Office but in August 1953 he transferred to the Chart Center. He was assigned to the Photogrammetry Division, Small Scale Branch as a carto aid.

After attending Carto Training School in 1958 he was assigned to the Research Department as a cartographer. With the reorganization in 1976 it became the Geopositional Department where he is presently assigned as a geodesist in the Geosciences Division.

presently assigned to the Aeronautical Information Department, Data Reduction Division, Special Support Branch as Supervisor of Section 2.

ROBERT E. RUTLEDGE, GDCB, reached the 30 year mark on October 18. His Federal career began at the Aeronautical Chart Plant at 12th & Delmar in October 1948. He was assigned to the Photogrammetry Branch, Transformation Section, Topography Unit.

He left in August 1951 for military service with the Corps of Engineers. He was a photointerpreter, surveyor, assigned to the 419th Engineer Aviation Brigade at Ft. Huachuca, Ariz., then Beale AFB, Calif. prior to his discharge in August 1953.

He returned to the Aerospace

to the Missile Division, Analytical Branch as a cartographer. He was assigned to various divisions and branches of the Missile Support Division until the reorganization in 1976 when he was assigned to the Scientific Data Department. He is presently assigned as a supervisory cartographer in the Production Management Office.

WALLACE C. BLAND, ADDS, was added to the 30 year roster on October 25. He enlisted in the Air Force in March 1948. His first duty assignment was with the 53rd Weather Recon "Hurricane Hunter" Sqdn at Kindley AFB, Bermuda as an airborne radio operator aboard WB-29's in April 1949 until September 1951. He was then assigned to a Transport Sqdn at Kelly AFB, Tx. for a year and to Air-Sea Rescue in England for a

FIO-E Cited For Service



Aerospace Center Technical Director, Lawrence Ayers, presents a plaque of appreciation to the Commander of the Flight Information Office-Europe, Lt. Col. John F. Fiddler, during a recent visit to the unit. The plaque was presented to the FIO-E in appreciation of the many years of dedicated service to the USAF Aeronautical Chart and Information Center and to the Defense Mapping Agency Aerospace Center. On September 18th the unit was transferred to the DMA Office of Distribution Services thus ending its lineage with the Aerospace Center.

Red Cross Appreciation



geodesist in the Geosciences Division.

For the past 25 years he has been teaching and directing a drum and bugle corps now known as the St. Louis Police Youth Corps-Drum Corps (Lawmen).

He has also been a member of the Center's Carolers since December 1953.

JAMES M. STEPHENS, ADD-5B, reached the 30 year mark on

He returned to the Aerospace Center and the Photogrammetry Division until 1958 when he was reassigned to the Missile Support Department. In the reorganization in 1976 he was assigned to the Geopositional Department where he is presently assigned as Chief, Control Branch #1, Photogrammetric Control Division.

FORREST J. DALTON, SDP, reached the 30 year mark on Oc-

Air-Sea Rescue in England for a year before being discharged on March 24, 1954.

The following day he entered on duty at ACIC and was assigned to the Photogrammetry Division as a carto compilation aid (photo). He transferred to the Aeronautical Information Department in October 1955, where he is presently assigned as an air information specialist.



Cheryl Powell of the American Red Cross presents Aerospace Center Director, Col. James St. Clair, with a plaque of appreciation in recognition of the excellent contribution the Center has made to the Red Cross bloodmobile program. In addition to the overall agency recognition plaque, special certificates were presented to PP, AD, SD, PD, and PA for accomplishing their respective goals in last year's blood donor program.

New SAC Liaison Position At Center

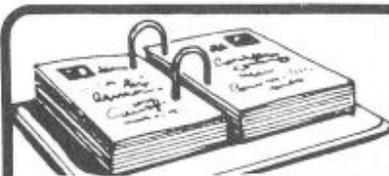
Major (Lt. Col. selectee) John Wiekel of the Strategic Air Command has been assigned to the Aerospace Center in a newly established SAC/JSTPS liaison officer position.

He is a native of Ohio and holds a degree in geography from Miami University of Ohio. He entered Air Force service in 1963 through the Officer Training School commission.

The early part of his career was spent with the 544th Aerospace Reconnaissance Technical Wing at Offutt AFB, Neb. in various cartographic and photographic assignments. From 1971 to 1974 he served as chief of the Cartographic Production Branch of the 497th Reconnaissance Technical Group in Germany. In 1974 he returned to the 544th as chief of the Precision Photoprocessing Branch, Target Materials Squadron.



Maj. Weikel



Calendar

November 1978

NOV.	EVENT	WHERE	INFORMATION
2	Assn of Litho Clubs	Grant's Cabin	V. Wojcicki/4713
2	Toastmasters	Lindbergh Room	
2	Arsenal Credit Union Annual Meeting	Electricians Hall	771-5050 638-4700
4	AFA Joint Dinner Meeting	Scott, AFB, IL	S. Popp/8409
10	HOLIDAY - Veterans Day		
11	DMAAC Women's Club Dinner Dance	DMAAC Dining Hall	Mrs. E. Moore/ 842-3348
14	FBA Lunch & Meeting	Carpenters Hall	D. Black/4142
14	BAG Meeting	5th Fl. Conf. Rm.	J. Jones/4742
16	Toastmasters	Lindbergh Room	
16	FEW Meeting	Dining Hall	Maj P. Wilder/4406
21	ASP Meeting	Dining Hall	Maj P. Wilder/4406
22	OLD NEWSBOYS DAY		
23	HOLIDAY - Thanksgiving Day		
28	NFFE Local 1827	Dining Hall	V. Haun/4044
30	Toastmasters	Lindbergh Room	

Contact Marge Wisneski/4142 to have your December events listed.

Center Athletic Recreation Program Discussed - Interested?

A significant number of Center personnel have expressed an interest in a sponsored sports and recreation program. Group sports activities such as volleyball and basketball, in addition to our on-going softball program, have been mentioned in particular.

Such a program would require appropriate facilities which are not available here at DMAAC. We have discussed our program proposals with some of the nearby schools and YMCA's and have received an interesting offer from the Carondelet YMCA. Their proposal includes the exclusive use of their basketball and volleyball courts, weight workout room, and shower room facilities during a blocked four hour period from 4:00—8:00 p.m. every Tuesday, except holidays, beginning in January and extending through May 1979.

One very attractive feature of this proposal (aside from the physical fitness benefits) is that it would be at no cost to the individual participants. However, to make it an economically feasible venture, we must be assured that a sufficiently large number of DMAAC members pledge their participation and support.

This is an excellent opportunity for our male and female members of all ages to become involved in a regular program of organized and supervised sports. **Please demonstrate your interest by completing the blank form below, cut or tear it out and send to AA, ATTN: Lt. Col Carlton NLT November 3, 1978.**

NAME _____

I would participate as a regular member of an intramural
 basketball volleyball team (check one)

Mens Womens Mixed Team (check one)

I would use the weight room every week occasionally
 (check one).

I would compete for a position on a DMAAC varsity basketball
 volleyball team.

I would serve as a basketball volleyball official.

Medals Awarded to Three



Police of Month

William R. Covington has once again been selected from among his peers for outstanding performance throughout the month of September. He is well known and liked by most DMAAC employees. As a result of his superior performance, he has earned the honor of patrolman of the month for September.

He served in the Air Force from September 1971 until June 1975 and has been at the Center almost three years.

New Officer Arrival



First Lieutenant Bradley Stewart has reported to the Aerospace Center for duty as Chief of the Special Security Division of SS.

He is a native of Washington State with a degree in marketing from Pacific Lutheran University.

He entered the service in 1976 through the ROTC program and is a rated navigator. Prior to coming to the Aerospace Center he was stationed at Goodfellow AFB, Texas.



Student Aid Drummer

Leonard Hill, a student aid assigned to AAD, is also a drummer with the Lancers' Drum and Bugle Corps which recently won the Missouri State Championship.

Leonard has participated in

parades and drill competitions with the Lancers' in over 25 major cities in the United States this past year. He is a junior at Pruitt High School.

Fall Driving Tips

Daylight saving time ends at 2:00 a.m. on Oct. 29.

they are supposed to. Do not forget to check to see if



Three members of the Aerospace Center military complement were presented medals during special ceremonies recently. The Meritorious Service Medal was presented to **Lt. Col. Donald Bean, LO**, for his performance of outstanding service to the United States as Assistant Director, Directorate of Curriculum and Evaluation, Air University Institute for Professional Development, and Chief, Evaluation Division, Leadership and Management Development Center, Maxwell AFB, Ala., from December 1974 to June 1978.



The Meritorious Service Medal was also presented to **Captain Seth Heywood, Jr., (FE)** for his performance of outstanding service as Civil Engineering Inspector, Office of the Inspector General, Headquarters Twelfth Air Force, Bergstrom AFB, Texas, from August 1975 to September 1978.



The Joint Service Commendation Medal was presented to **Captain Lee H. Peterson (PR)** for his outstanding professionalism and leadership ability which contributed immensely to the mission accomplishment of the Geodetic Survey Squadron of the DMA from July 1976 to June 1978.

Extra Effort Pays Off

For some Combined Federal Campaign workers an extra ounce of effort can really pay off, case

in point—during the final week of the campaign one solicitor was having trouble convincing an employee to take part in the campaign. Finally she hit upon an idea that resulted in two community programs reaping the benefits.

The solicitor, who has harbored a great fear of giving blood, offered the employee a challenge. "If I give blood at the next bloodmobile visit will you donate to the CFC?" The challenge was accepted. The afternoon of the 20th the solicitor, pale and shaking, amde the long trip from her work area to the bloodmobile. Following her donation to an excellent cause, the blood program, the employee made his pledge to another excellent cause, the CFC.

Women's Club News

The DMAAC Women's Club will have a dinner dance in the Dining Hall at 2nd and Arsenal on Saturday, November 11th featuring the Steve Marino Revue. The price will be \$7.50 per person. For more information or tickets call Mrs. Edward Moore, 842-3348.

A Christmas Bazaar will be held on Friday, December 1st, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 2nd and Arsenal on the first floor of Bldg. 36

and in the cafeteria at 8900 South Broadway. The bazaar features handmade articles and baked goods.

A luncheon is planned for Thursday, December 14, at The Moorings, 901 Clayton Rd. A program of Christmas music will be performed by the River Blenders. Anyone wishing to attend may call Mrs. Edward Williams at 962-1098 for reservations.

when the Nation returns to standard time

For most people, this means the beginning of more nighttime driving—and the need for added attention to driving safety. The death rate for nighttime automobile accidents is almost three times higher than the daytime rate.

One of the causes of nighttime accidents is poor lighting—your car's headlights and rear lights.

Here are some suggestions for safer and brighter nighttime driving:

- Clean your car's headlights when you clean the windshield, or ask the service station attendant to clean the headlights as well as the windshield. This is particularly important after you have driven on a dirt road—dust or mud can reduce the output of the headlights by as much as 75 percent.

- Check your car's headlights and rear lights regularly to be sure all are burning. Replace dead lights immediately. Also, regularly have headlight beams checked—and adjusted if necessary—to be sure the lights shine where

the braking lights work.

- Do not overload the trunk of the car. Too much weight in the rear will tilt the front end up, thereby displacing the beam of the headlights.

- Use low-beam lights when driving in rain, fog or snow, which cut the effect of the high beam and reflect the high beam back to you.

- Use the high beam for highway driving, but, of course, switch to low beam for oncoming cars, when following a car closely or when another car passes yours.

