



## BINGO GOES ON WEEKLY BASIS

Beginning this week the Bingo Parties, sponsored by the Activities Association will be held on a weekly basis until the summer recess. The next party will be on Thursday, March 24 at 8:30 p.m. at the Activities Building.

Grand prize will be a one hundred dollar merchandise certificate at Conner's in Hampton. This certificate is good for merchandise only and will not be honored at any store other than Conner's.

As the "Air Scoop" went to press the outcome of this week's party had not been determined; therefore, the status of the jack-pot can not be announced. If no one won the jack-pot, seven numbers will be called next week and another prize will be added to the list which consists of a Gilbert electric food mixer, Universal Coffeematic Percolator, and a Philco table model radio. If the jack-pot was won a new one will be started and five numbers called.

As usual winners will be given a choice of prizes which will consist of a Telechrome musical alarm radio, bridge set, luncheon set, bathroom scales, set of mixing bowls, Proctor pop-up toaster, Proctor never-lift iron, Universal percolator, Telechrome selector clock, Manning-Bowman table broiler, waffle iron, Universal pressure cooker, manicure set for men and women, set of Cannon sheets, set of dishes, pen and pencil set, etc.

## ADULT PROGRAM OFFERS COURSE

The Adult Education Department of Hampton High School is planning, with the cooperation of men and women who are interested in community-wide improvement in Hampton and Elizabeth City County, a series of eight two-hour forum discussions, beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Monday,

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## RED CROSS DRIVE SHORT OF GOAL

A total of \$2,382 had been collected as of March 16 in the Laboratory's annual American Red Cross campaign, leaving more than \$1,100 yet to be contributed by staff members in order to reach the goal of \$3,500.

The drive closes Monday and the 67 volunteer solicitors throughout the Lab will make a last-minute effort today and Monday to bridge the gap. Only 1,463 employees have contributed thus far, representing 44 per cent of the Laboratory staff. This means that of the 3,310 Lab employees, 1,847 have not yet contributed.

The volunteer solicitors have been making a commendable effort to contact every employee in order to give each staff member an opportunity to contribute. Any employee desiring to make a donation and who has been missed in the solicitation is requested to notify the East Dispensary, telephone 2243, and a solicitor will be dispatched to contact him.

The following are the collections thus far by areas: West Area (North), Janie L. Burroughs, chairman, \$713.96 contributed by 385 employees, the average being \$1.85; West Area (South), Barbara J. Durling, chairman, \$604.85 contributed by 457 employees, average contribution \$1.32; Administrative Area, Lucy W. Bainbridge, chairman, \$571.10 contributed by 339 employees, average contribution \$1.68; Full Scale Area, Helen N. Foley, chairman, \$492.10 contributed by 282 employees, average contribution \$1.75.

Another 100 per cent group reported to the area chairman by the volunteer solicitors is Stability Analysis, located in West Area (North). This brings the number of 100 percenters to six, the other five being Planning Office, Budget Office, Aircraft Loads Division Office, Stability Research Division Office, and West Computers.

## COSTUME DANCE TWO WEEKS OFF

Time is fleeting by and partygoers have only two more weeks to dig up a suitable costume for the April Fool dance which will be held on April Fool's Day at the Activities Building.

A suitable costume is any thing that will make the wearer look like an April Fool. It has been reported that a number of people have laughed and said that they could wear anything they had and be dressed appropriately for the party, however, officials of the Association point out that even though the regular line of dress worn by some people may make them look foolish it does not necessarily make them look like an April Fool so get busy and rig up something new and different. Prizes will be awarded to the man and woman with the most original or appropriate outfit.

Music for the affair will be furnished by Jimmy Marshall and his orchestra and dancing will start at 9 p.m. and run 'til one. Tickets are \$1.50, stag or drag, and may be purchased from the District Representatives to the Activities Association. However, if you decide to come at the last minute, tickets will be available at the door.

## PLAN TO FORM CHESS CLUB

A number of Laboratory employees have expressed an interest in forming a Chess Club. Arrangements have been made by the Activities Association to hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 29 at 8 p.m. in the Activities Building. All employees interested in forming a chess club are invited to attend. This initial meeting will be directed by M. E. Huston, West Engineering.

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## MEET THE SKYHAWKS



Photo by Warren Nelson

### Ruthelyn "Smitty" Hinners

Adding the feminine touch to the Skyhawk team is Ruthelyn Hinners, team nurse. Ruthelyn, who is better known to her friends as "Smitty" was born in Monmouth, Illinois. After graduating from the Roseville Township High School in Roseville, Illinois, she entered the nursing school at the Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago.

After completing her training in 1946 she remained at the Presbyterian Hospital as head nurse in charge of the Emergency Receiving Room. However, she soon went the way that most young women go and married her home town boy friend, Art Hinners. Art accepted an appointment at the Langley Laboratory so the newly-weds journeyed south.

Shortly after arriving on the Peninsula "Smitty" accepted a job at the Kecoughtan Veterans Home. In July 1948 she transferred to the Laboratory and was assigned to the East Dispensary.

Carrying on the duties of a team nurse, "Smitty" has been a valuable asset to the Skyhawk's well-being.

FOR SALE: Iris - 135 kinds - 10¢ per rhizome or small clump. Bennett, Hampton 6246.

FOR SALE: Custom built radio for 1941-48 Chevrolet. Whitmore, W. Machine.

WANTED: Passengers to Charlotte by way of Raleigh March 24. Byars, Hampton 8419.

## LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

### The single men. . . . .

of West Engineering came to a rude awakening last Monday evening when their illusion of supremacy was shattered by the stellar performance of the married men's power laden basketball squad. Every man on the winners' bench was used in an effort to hold down the score. Final results showed that this strategy was successful as the scoreboard read 36-30 at the finish. Big gun for the victors was Len Bartone who tossed in five field goals and three free throws for a total of 13 points. He was ably supported by Dick Varnum who tallied nine points. Top man for the losers was Will Benson with ten. Counting at the knockdowns was referee "You're Charging" Ray Spaulding. After the game, several single boys were heard to say that they intended to get married to avoid complete physical disintegration.

### Well IRD has. . . . .

done it again. The tenth arrival since January was delivered to the Division last Saturday when Alfred Alcock became the father of an eight pound, seven ounce daughter.

### Not to be out done. . . . .

by another Division, Aircraft Loads, winner of last year's baby derby, is gradually getting back into the race. A seven pound daughter, Maria Angela, was delivered Tuesday, March 15 to the James Thorntons.

### Taking a nose-dive. . . . .

into the sea of matrimony was Robert Allen, West Engineering. He was married Sunday, March 6 to Diana Finorsky of Jamaica, Long Island.

### On the sick list. . . . .

this week is Jim McKay, Flight Research. Jim is undergoing treatment at the Naval Hospital at Portsmouth.

### Wedding bells. . . . .

will ring tomorrow when Frank Reaves, Jr., West Model Shop, takes his final vows with Bobbie Pauline Baker of Whitakers, North Carolina.

### Music enthusiasts will be glad. . . . .

to hear of the formation of a club dedicated to the enjoyment of recorded classical music. The first meeting will be held in the Activities Building on Monday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. A musical program consisting of Tchaikowsky's Violin Concerto, Operatic selections sung by Tagliavini and Pinza, and Khatchaturian's Gayne Ballet Suite has been prepared for the meeting. Persons needing transportation may contact Eloise McGehee, Structures Research, telephone 4469.

### Passing out cigars. . . . .

in a manner typical of a new father is Irvan Beckwith, Project 506. He became the father of a six pound, nine ounce son on the Ides of March.

### The birth rate. . . . .

is still on the up-grade. A daughter was delivered Tuesday, March 15 to the Thomas J. Kurtyka household. The proud father works in West Machine.

### Another new father. . . . .

who is none the worse off for the nerve-wrecking ordeal is Marion Taylor, Full Scale Tunnel. His new offspring was a daughter and she arrived on Sunday, March 13.

# SKYHAWKS HAVE GOOD SEASON

The NACA Skyhawks closed their season last Saturday with a game against Bill's Barbecue in the AAU Tournament in Richmond. In the tournament game the Hawks took an early 19-15 lead but were trailing 33-26 at halftime. During the fourth quarter the Hawks pulled ahead 48-46 but were unable to stop the opponent's last minute rally and went down 65-58. High point men for the losers were Luchuk, Thompson, and Merten with 18, 17, and 11 points respectively. Leading the winners was P. Gentry, All Southern high school star from John Marshall, with 17 points.

Statistics show that the Skyhawks have had a very good season with a total of 19 wins and 10 losses. During the year the Hawks have scored a total of 1,506 points and their opponents have marked up a total of 1,319. Luchuk led in the scoring department with a total of 371 points for an average of 14.3, Merten was close behind with 343 points for a 12.7 average and Thompson came in third with 245 for a 11.1 average. Bennett and Bates were next in line with an average of 5.9 and 5.3, respectively.

In closing the season, the Skyhawks would like to express a note of appreciation to the Activities Association for making the team possible and to the many rooters who helped to make the team a success.

## SKYHAWKS

Player	FG	F	TP
Merten, f	5	1	11
Thompson, f	7	3	17
Bennett, f	1	0	2
Luchuk, c	7	4	18
Bates, g	3	1	7
Licini	0	3	3
Tingelhoff, g	0	0	0

## BILL'S BARBECUE

Caravati, f	3	1	7
Jones	2	6	10
Gathright	2	1	5
Harvie	3	2	8
Teefey	3	2	8
Whitcomb	4	1	9
Garagosian	0	1	1
Holloway	0	0	0
Gentry	8	1	17

FOR SALE: "Theory of Elasticity" by Timoshenko, "Fundamentals of Hydro and Aero Mechanics" by Prandtl, "Aerodynamic Theory" Vol. III by Durand, and "Differential Equations" by Phillips. Training Office.

# SOFTBALL MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 21

Now that basketball season is almost over and spring is just around the corner, it is time to start thinking and talking in terms of softball. The organizational meeting of the 1949 NACA Softball League will be held on Monday, March 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Activities Building.

All teams interested in entering the league this year are urged to have a team representative present at the meeting as very important business will be discussed.

# LEGIONNAIRES MEET ROYALS

The NACA Skyhawks will be able to get a general idea as to how they compare with other teams throughout the nation when the Braxton Perkins American Legion team goes to the National tournament at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania during the last part of March and first part of April. The Legionnaires, who have been defeated by the Skyhawks, have been selected to represent the State of Virginia at the tourney.

According to Dave Buchanan, Stock Section, the Legionnaires, who captured the Men's City Recreation Basketball League championship last Tuesday by virtue of a 36-32 win over the Agathon Club, will meet the Richmond Royals tonight at 8 o'clock at the Newport News High School gym. In a game played early in the season, the Skyhawks were defeated by the Royals by a two point margin.

FOR SALE: "NACA - University Conference on Aerodynamics" June 21-23, 1948. Training Office.

WANTED: Large torch-flame thrower for weeds. Bennett, H-6246.

FOR RENT: 2 rooms for gentlemen. Mrs. Green, H-35305.

FOR RENT: Room with kitchen privileges, Mahler, 2305.

WANTED: Passengers from Victoria to E.A. on 8 shift. Mahler, 2305.

LOST: Man's wallet with \$38 in cash and valuable papers. Finder may keep cash but mail papers and wallet to T. C. Hodge, Inst. Serv.

# POSTPONE MEET 'TIL MARCH 27

By Paul Marchal

The rubber powered team contest scheduled for last Sunday was postponed by a vote of the teams present at the flying site. Strong winds prevailed and the meet was postponed because several contestants had untested planes and preferred to wait for more favorable weather. The extended time should make it possible for more teams to enter the event. Persons interested are asked to contact Caldwell Johnson, West Engineering, telephone 4568 by Friday, March 25.

A few eager beavers with more ships than they needed flew in a winner-take-all contest. Bill Ramsey, West Engineering, eased by Gail Cheesman, Low Turbulence, with a three flight total of 8 minutes, 58 seconds. The effort cost him one ship on his first flight of 5 minutes, 58 seconds. Cheesman's total was 8 minutes, 42 seconds. C. T. Brown, West Engineering, was third with 5 minutes, 34 seconds.

A regular meeting of the Brainbusters will be held Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Syms-Eaton Community Center. All free flight model builders interested in joining the club are invited to attend.

# AAUW MEETS NEXT TUESDAY

The Hampton Branch of the American Association of University Women will hold its next meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 22 in the circuit Court Room of the County Court House. Dr. Eva Mitchell, Chairman of the study group on housing, will hold a symposium on local conditions. Election of officers will follow, and a white elephant sale for the benefit of the Fellowship Fund will conclude the meeting. All interested women are invited to attend.

A called Branch meeting will be held on Friday, March 25 at 4 p.m. in the St. John's Parish House to hear an address by Dr. Gillie Larew, vice president of the Southeastern Region of the AAUW and dean of women at Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

MISSING: 16mm film entitled "The Micrometer". Anyone knowing whereabouts notify Training Office, 2256.

FOR SALE: Schultz house trailer. Dvorak, 518 C St., Copeland Pk.

# BOWLING NEWS

## WEDNESDAY DUCKPIN LEAGUE

GRIS still leads the Wednesday bowlers with a record of 47 wins and 19 losses. Leading with high individual honors are C. McLellan, SRU, with a 161 game, Harold Crane, Ragouts, with a 386 set, and Marge Wilson with a 129 game and 327 set.

### STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
GRIS	47	19	.712
Ragouts	37	29	.561
Sound Lab	36	30	.545
16-Foot	35	31	.530
PARDners	31	35	.470
Stenographic	31	35	.470
SRU	30	36	.455
Independents	30	36	.455
Structures	30	36	.455
Deadpins	23	43	.348

## MONDAY DUCKPIN LEAGUE

Last week Mechanical Maintenance came through to take a four game lead over 19-Foot and strengthen their hold on the number one position with 48 wins and 21 losses. Top bowling honors went to Al Martina, 19-Foot, with a 136 game, Luke Liccini, FGDA, with a 349 set and Barbara Durling, PRD, with a 121 game and 300 set.

### STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Mech. Maint.	48	21	.696
19-Foot	44	25	.638
Somnambowlists	37	32	.536
16-Foot	36	33	.522
PRD	35	34	.507
Rocketeers	34	35	.493
FGDA	34	35	.493
Tank	29	40	.420
IAL	27	42	.391
Electrical	21	48	.304

## IRD LEAGUE

The race for first place in the IRD League is becoming rather heated with EAC and Missiles tied for first with 18 wins and 12 losses and Carpetbaggers trailing by only one game. Noce and Louer still lead in the high individual average department with 104.22 and 94.06 respectively.

### STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
EAC	18	12	.600
Missiles	18	12	.600
Carpetbaggers	17	13	.566
Bloodhounds	15	12	.555
Cullerites	10	20	.333
Dixiecrats	9	18	.333

WANTED: Ride to E.A. on 8 shift from Glendale Rd. Bergbom, 2221.

FOR SALE: Bungalow in Hilton. Nagy, N.N. 2-3693.

FOR SALE: Apartment size electric range. Wallio, Elec. Eng.

# ADULT PROGRAM

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March 28 on "Local Community Problems."

This new program in adult education will give citizens an opportunity to hear talks on vital questions pertaining to community affairs discussed by those who are competent to give accurate and timely information and also to discuss freely and as democratically as possible their own reactions to ideas which are presented on problems of local government.

Dr. William Anthony Aery, formerly of the Laboratory, will introduce the speakers and keep the discussions moving smoothly forward so that local citizens, who join the group, may have a fair chance to discuss some of the local problems.

Registrations will be taken at the Victoria Avenue entrance to Hampton High School on school days from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. or Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. A nominal membership fee will be charged.

# CHICKS DEFEATED IN AAU TOURNEY

The Skychicks, like the Skyhawks, had tough luck at the AAU State Tournament at Richmond last Saturday. The Chicks were eliminated in the first round by Shelley's team from Virginia Beach. The final score was probably one of the lowest scoring games played in the State this year with the winners chalking up only fourteen points to the Chick's ten. Despite the low score, the Chicks were out played all during the game and were never in the lead.

WANTED: Riding combination from Wythe to W.A. on 8 shift. Read, 4521.

FOR SALE: Crocheted bedspread - \$25. Rowlings, W. Sheetmetal.

FOR SALE: 1948 Dodge sedan, \$1950. Elliott, H-4910.

FOR SALE: 1937 Pontiac. McGee, Structures.

WANTED: Passengers from Portsmouth to E.A. on 8 shift. Brady, 2315.

FOR SALE: Baby bed, play pen, and scales, Miotke, W. Machine.

# WEST MACHINE, IRD IN FINAL PLAYOFFS

As the "Air Scoop" went to press the battle between West Machine I and Instrument Research for the NACA Basketball League championship had not been played. During the semi-final playoffs two of the leading contenders for the title were knocked out of the running by West Machine I.

Last week Variety received quite a set back when West Machine defeated them by the one-sided score of 44-27. The game started off evenly matched with Variety leading at half time 17-16 but the Machine Shop boys found a lucky streak to take a 44-27 victory. High point man for the winners was Reeder with 15 points and Mulchay was tops for the losers with a like number.

19-Foot ended the regular season of play with a perfect record of no defeats but met their Waterloo last Monday night when West Machine took a close 31-29 victory. As was true in the game with Variety, West Machine was trailing 17-16 at half time but came back after intermission to chalk up another victory and remain in the final playoffs. Big guns for the winners were Kilgore and Vincke with 12 and 9 points, respectively. Demors and Davis were tops for the losers with 9 points each and Cancro came in third with 8.

## Coming Events

Printed below is a calendar of events scheduled to take place in the Activities Building throughout the coming week.

- March 18 - Flight Party
- March 19 - Free Flight Party
- March 21 - Music Club  
Softball Meeting
- March 22 - Bridge Club  
Skychicks
- March 23 - Male Chorus  
Official Function
- March 24 - Bingo Party
- March 26 - 4-Foot Party

WANTED: Ride or riding combination from N.N. on 8 shift to W.A. Spear, 4403.

FOR SALE: 1937 Chevrolet sedan. Haggerman, 7 X 10.

FOR SALE: 11 tube console radio. Wilson, N.N. 2-0724.

LOST: Brown wallet with identifications. Tyndall, EICS.