

The Unofficial SF-88 Volunteers Newsletter News and Happenings at SF-88 – January 2024



Happy New Year to NPS Rangers and SF-88 Volunteers!

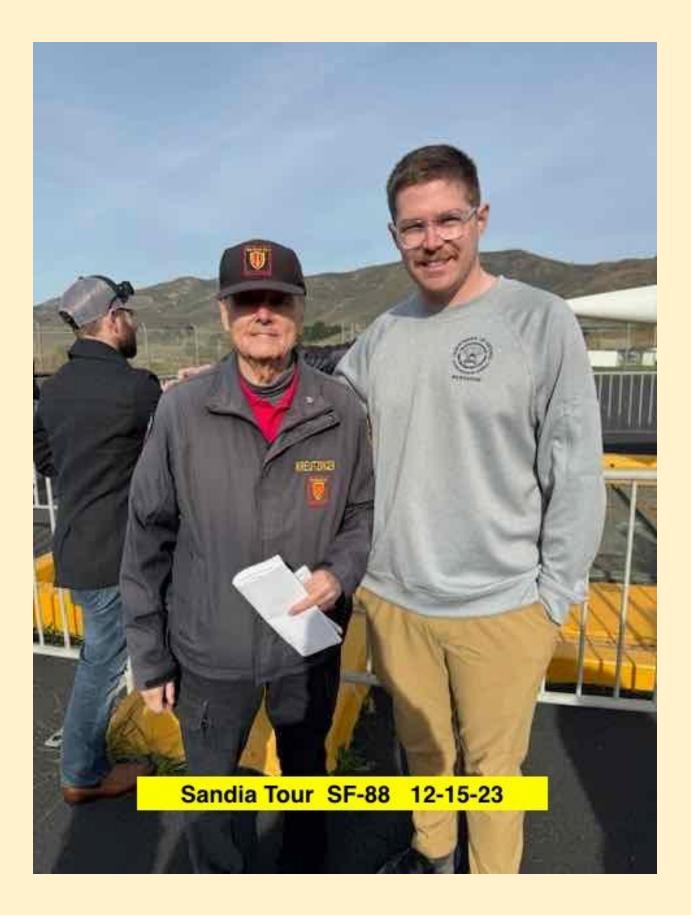
There was a lot of activity in December.

We had our annual tour from Sandia Labs.

They always enjoy seeing SF-88, and a bit of Cold War History and Technology.

Dave Kreutzinger headed up the group for the Friday visit.

There were 27 Scientists and Engineers in attendance.





## More Military Tours coming in January !

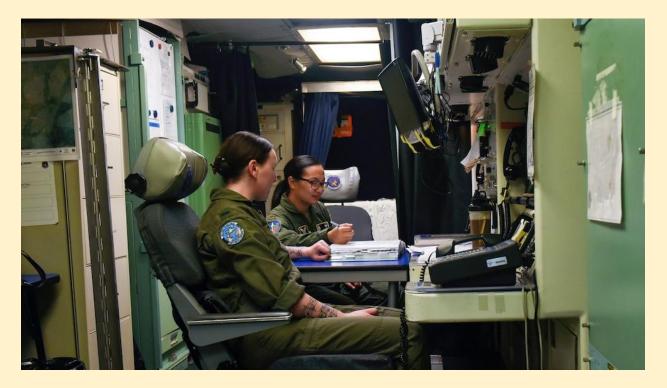
An Upcoming visit from Warren AFB on January 19<sup>th</sup> I did not know, but they are an ICBM site, dating back to the early 1960's.

I came across a news article last week regarding Warren AFB. Check out this link to ABC News.....

https://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/gigantic-new-icbm-us-nuclearmissiles-cold-war-105530426

## New ICBM will take US nuclear missiles out of Cold War-era but add 21st-century risks

A new nuclear missile is coming, a gigantic ICBM called the Sentinel.



Warren AFB Crews will come pay us a visit on January 19th .

We will be there to Welcome them!

Our weekday, and sometimes weekend Volunteer Dick Huey has ended his volunteer career at SF-88. He has been leading tours for over 8 years.

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Dick always had a cheerful personality and made the public feel welcome!

He always brought pork baos from the bakery in San Francisco for the volunteers. He was a volunteered at the food pantry on Saturdays and

loves to spend time with his family. We thank him for the time he gave to SF-88.

## Below is a picture of Dick Huey







## A Message from NPS Ranger Vassar Terry

"We've had some progress with a few short-term maintenance goals for the site!

1. After inspections from our safety officer and the park electricians/maintenance, the Warhead Building has been deemed safe for staff, volunteers, and visitors. In addition, a safety inspection of Nike has been scheduled for early January.

2. The removal of the deteriorated Army Vehicle behind the Warhead Building has been approved by our Archivist and Supervisory Park Ranger James Grof. In late December the vehicle was inspected and approved for removal in early 2024! Hopefully the removal of the vehicle will also happen in January 2024.

3. The Generator Building was cleaned in time for the Sandia Group's visit to the Nike Site. Improvements to exhibit photographs and interpretive displays is next!

4. The junk pile has been removed from behind the flammable storage Building S972 We appreciate your efforts to keep SF-88 Running well and Safely. **Meet Katie Keeshen – Our New Seasonal Ranger at SF-88**! Katie has been with us for awhile now. She is new to NPS but not new to Civil Service, having worked for the California State Legislature. She enjoys her new career with the National Park Service at Marin Headlands. We are happy to have her helping give tours in our Historic Nike Missile SF-88 Museum!



Now some happenings at the site.

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> open House, Jerry Feight and Al Beerbaum powering up the 400 Cycle Motor Generator in the Launcher Trailer.

Please Note the well-fed Nike Launcher Crew Volunteers!





The A Pit Sump Pump replacement is the current project. The new motor and pump are waiting to be installed.

There is a problem with the 60 year old Allen Bradley electrical motor starter on the wall near the circuit breaker box. Waiting on parts.



Life on a Nike Site -

Maintenance – Training Drills – Inspections Maintenance – Training Drills – Inspections Maintenance – Training Drills – Inspections



At the Historic Nike Missile SF-88, we host tours for the public, Veterans and active duty military personnel from all over the country, and the world.

We hope to have a Happy and Safe 2024 for the Rangers and Volunteers at SF-88 !

Upcoming SF-88 Special tour from Warren AFB Jan 19 2024

This Un-Official Newsletter will be published as a means to communicate the news of the site.

Many of us show up on different days and often do not see each other.

Please let me know any news or upcoming events at SF-88, Question or comments, or if something needs repair.

Together, we all help to tell the story of our Nation's First-Generation Missile Defense System.

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