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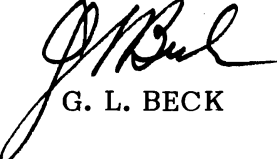
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COMMAND HISTORY FOR USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69)

CALENDAR YEAR 1987

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USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69)
COMMAND COMPOSITION AND ORGANIZATION

I. Mission of USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69)

The mission of USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) is to provide seabased tactical air power for the defense of America's right to freedom of the sea as well as the protection of United States sovereignty. As part of this mission, USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) is capable of projecting tactical air power both over the sea and land, as well as providing tactical air defense and antisubmarine warfare capabilities.

II. Background

Named after the 34th President of the United States, USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) is the third nuclear powered aircraft carrier ever built. Originally named EISENHOWER on February 21, 1970, the ship was renamed DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER on May 25, 1970.

The keel of the ship (Hull 599, as designated by Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company) was laid on August 15, 1970 and was authenticated by the late President's grandson, D. David Eisenhower II. Five years later, on October 11, 1975, Mrs. Mamie Doud Eisenhower, widow of the former President and ship's sponsor, christened the ship during launching ceremonies at Newport News Shipyard.

On October 18, 1977, USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) was placed in commission at Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia.

III. Organizational Structure

a. Immediate Senior Command

(1) COMMANDER, NAVAL AIR FORCES, ATLANTIC

b. AIR WING ASSIGNED

(1) CARRIER AIR WING SEVEN (CVW-7)

c. COMMANDING OFFICER

(1) Captain Gary L. BECK, USN
(2) Biography is attached.

d. Executive Officer

(1) Commander Kenneth L. PYLE, USN
(2) Biography is attached.

e. Permanent Duty Station

(1) Naval Station, Norfolk, Virginia

1987 CHRONOLOGY OF MAJOR EVENTS

1 Jan - 29 Mar	COH, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co. (continued)
30-31 Mar	Dock Trials, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.
1-15 Apr	COH, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.
16-18 Apr	Fast Cruise, Phase I
19-21 Apr	Fast Cruise, Phase II
22 Apr	COH, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.
23-25 Apr	Sea Trials
26 Apr - 14 June	Upkeep, Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
15-20 June	Underway, Virginia Capes
21 June - 3 July	Shakedown '87
4 July	At anchor, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
5-6 July	Enroute Caracas, Venezuela
7-9 July	Inport, La Guaira (Caracas), Venezuela
10-22 July	Shakedown '87
23 July - 13 Aug	Upkeep, Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
14-25 Aug	Refresher Training, Virginia Capes
20 Aug	100,000th Arrested Landing on IKE

26-27 Aug	Inport, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
28 Aug - 4 Sep	Carrier Qualifications
5 Sep	Inport, Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
6 Sep	Dependents Day Cruise
7-28 Sep	Upkeep, Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
29 Sep - 2 Oct	Carrier Qualifications
3-19 Oct	Upkeep, Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
20-30 Oct	Underway, Virginia Capes
31 Oct - 4 Nov	Enroute Puerto Rico Operating Area/St. Thomas, V.I.
5-8 Nov	Inport Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, V.I.
9-22 Nov	Advance Phase Training
23-30 Nov	Inport, Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
1-3 Dec	Enroute Montego Bay, Jamaica
4-6 Dec	Inport Montego Bay, Jamaica
7-9 Dec	Enroute Norfolk, VA
10 Dec	Inport, Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA
11-16 Dec	Carrier Qualifications, VACAPES OpArea
17-31 Dec	Upkeep, Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA

NARRATIVE OF USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) OPERATIONS

USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN-69) began 1987 in the final stages of Complex Overhaul, berthed at Pier 2, Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company. From this point, IKE's crew would be tasked with the dual objectives of overhaul completion and preparation for return to service as an operating unit of the Atlantic Fleet.

From 10 to 12 January, Dock Trials were completed on Numbers 1 and 4 main engines using shipyard steam.

On 12 January IKE commenced catapult dead-load tests, which certified them for use with aircraft.

From 15 to 20 January, the load testing of all four ship's generators was completed using shipyard steam.

On 19 January IKE remembered the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King in a commemorative service held on the Forecastle. Both ship's company and shipyard employees participated. CAPT David Parham, a retired Navy chaplain, was keynote speaker. On that same evening, the IKE Express basketball team downed the team of submarine tender USS L.Y. SPEAR by a score of 59-51.

From 21 to 30 January, representatives from the staff of Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic conducted a CSMP review to determine the status of all jobs which had been planned for the overhaul.

On 28 January, shore steaming testing was completed on IKE's propulsion plants. Tests were successful.

IKE's Marine Detachment was reactivated on 29 January.

On 3 February, IKE was named as Commander, Naval Air Force, Atlantic's alternate nominee for the Secretary of Defense Maintenance Award, for having expended over 800,000 manhours with a cost savings in excess of \$15 million.

On 12 February, IKE conducted a Small Arms Weapons Onload.

On 16 February, the date of the annual National Prayer Breakfast, IKE did not have the necessary messing facilities due to the shipyard situation. In lieu of the Prayer Breakfast, CDR [REDACTED], Weapons Officer, presided over a Service of Prayer for Our Nation, from 1205 to 1235.

Post Overhaul Reactor Safeguards Examination (PORSE) was conducted 18-20 February. IKE's Reactor and Engineering Department personnel passed the examination with overall "Above Average".

On 26 February, IKE re-opened its gymnasium, which now contained nine new weight machines. IKE sailors now had exercise facilities for the first time since crew move aboard.

On 27 February, IKE's Marine Detachment provided a Color Guard for the Carrier Air Wing SEVEN Change of Command.

On 4 March, Commander Naval Air Force, Atlantic nominated IKE for the Battenberg Cup Award, naming IKE as the best all-around ship in AirLant.

Crew Certification Phase II took place on March 4, as IKE welcomed RADM Ilg, Commander Carrier Group SIX, aboard.

From 12 to 27 March, Weapons Department participated in a Weapons Detachment in Fallon, Nevada. On 13 March, Weapons Department completed refurbishment and modernization of 11 BDUs and Type Trainers at SMSD Norfolk, Virginia.

On 15 March, AIMD reported bar coding of IMRL items completed, and a beneficial suggestion was submitted which resulted in Chief [REDACTED] and AD2 [REDACTED] being awarded \$2,500.

On 24 March, the communications guard was shifted from Newport News Shipyard to USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, and the Communications Center began processing of messages.

From 25 to 26 March, Dock Trials were conducted on all four main engines with reactor steam, four days in advance of schedule.

On 28 March, the management of Busch Gardens invited IKE's crew to a "sneak preview" visit before the opening of the regular season. Busch Gardens is the site of numerous "IKE Day" outings for the crew and their families and friends.

On 30 March, AIMD's IM-5 Division was established as the Armament/Controlled Equipment (ACE) Division responsible for IMRL accountability, I-Level Ordnance, Calibration and Ship's Transportation.

On 30-31 March, preparations began in earnest to leave Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Co. as IKE conducted Dock Trials. Brows remained in place during this simulated at-sea period, however, only shipyard workers and official visitors boarded or left the ship.

Throughout the entire month of March, Weapons Department conducted Ship's Self-Defense Force training and qualified more than 230 personnel with the .38 and .45 caliber pistols, 12-gauge shotgun, M-14 rifle and .50 caliber machine gun. More than 62,000 rounds of ammunition were expended.

On 2 April, IKE conducted a Safety Standdown in preparation for Sea Trials.

On 13 April, IKE's Supply Department reported 99 percent of Reactor Plant spare parts as being on board in support of Fast Cruise.

On 15 April the Technical Library was returned to IKE after being maintained at St. Julien's Creek during the overhaul.

Fast Cruise Phase I began on 16 April, lasting through 18 April. During Fast Cruise, unlike Dock Trials, the brows were closed and noone boarded or left the ship. Brows were opened on the night of the 18th, but the ship was "underway" again the following morning for Fast Cruise Phase II, which lasted 19-21 April. Rehabilitation of 10 G-2 divisional spaces and 17 "W" divisional spaces was completed by Weapons Department on 16 April.

On 23 April IKE went to sea for the first time in 18 months to conduct Sea Trials. IKE's Medical Department announced itself fully operational on that date. During that three day period, IKE had numerous guest shipriders aboard, including RADM McKinnon, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion & Repair, Newport News, and Mr. Campbell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.

Complex Overhaul was finally over on 26 April as IKE arrived at its berth at Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA, after an absence of a year and a half. As overhaul was completed, the following new equipment had been installed on IKE:

- The Advanced Combat Directional System (ACDS), a system never before installed on an afloat fleet asset.

- AN/SLQ 50 Battle Group Passive Horizon Extension System (BGPHEs).

- The Tactical Environmental Support System (TESS) was installed to provide environmental support for the ship, airwing and embarked staff. TESS, a multifaceted computer, allows IKE to provide a greater scope of environmental products than those previously offered. It not only assesses atmospheric effects on surface and airborne radars, it also enhances the ASW prediction models. TESS also has satellite tracking capabilities and can produce aircraft icing predictions and tidal deviations.

- The Carrier Air Traffic Control Center Direct Altitude Identification Readout Technology System was installed which increased the efficiency and safety of IKE's Carrier Air Traffic Control Center.

- Five Joint Operational Tactical Systems (JOTS).

- Two Prototype Ocean Surveillance Terminal Systems (POST).

- A Tactical Aircraft Mission Planning System.

- Integrated Carrier ASW Prediction System (ICAPS).

- Three Nato Sea Sparrow Missile System Mounts.

- The MK-23 Target Acquisition System (TAS).

- Three Close-in Weapons Systems (CIWS).

Upon returning to Pier 12, IKE marked its return as an operational unit of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet with a large celebration. Special blue-and-gold buttons proclaiming "IKE IS BACK" were worn for the occasion, and a ceremony was conducted for IKE families. Despite the cold, rainy weather, balloons were released and local and national media covered the event. In Engineering, observers from Naval Sea Systems Command (Code 08) said, "this was the most outstanding Sea Trials of a nuclear carrier they had ever observed and the best surface ship in recent history." In addition, all requirements for flight deck AFFF certification were completed.

The following day, IKE's Supply Department commenced loadout for extended sea operations. Also on 27 April, IKE hosted the first of many distinguished visitors to visit IKE in the months to come. Virginia Governor Gerald Baliles accompanied by members of his cabinet and staff, plus flag and general officers of the Virginia Military Advisory Commission and their aides received a familiarization tour of IKE. Guests included: GEN Verono, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command; MGEN Kern, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Engineering Center, Fort Belvoir; MGEN Stillions, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Q.M. Center, Fort Lee; MGEN Elam, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Transportation Center, Fort Eustis; MGEN Hilbert, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Military District of Washington, D.C.; RADM Ready, USN, Commander, Carrier Group TWO; RADM Parker, USN, Commander, Naval Base, Norfolk; RADM Hernandez, USN, Commandant, Naval District, Washington, D.C.; RADM Hollingsworth, USCG, Commander 5th Coast Guard District; LTGEN Petersen, USMC, Commanding General of Marine Corps Development and Education; COL Rousey, USAF, Commander, Air Force District, Washington, D.C.; LTGEN Brown, USAF, Vice Commander, Tactical Air Command; MGEN Henderson, USAF, Commander, 80th Division (Training), MGEN Castles, VA ARNG, Adjutant General, Virginia National Guard; LTGEN Wilson, Gubernatorial Appointee.

On 28 April, the Foreign Service Institute Senior Seminar toured IKE from 1310 to 1440, led by Ambassador James R. Bullington, Associate Dean.

On 29 April, all BDU and Trainer weapons were unloaded. From 29 April to 22 May, Weapons Department participated in another Fallon, Nevada, Weapons Detachment.

On 30 April, VADM Leonidas Vassilikopoulos, Chief, Hellenic Navy General Staff (Greek equivalent to U.S. CNO) toured IKE from 1530 to 1645, accompanied by a group of nine.

On 1 May, Supply Department reported the Nalcomis Repairable Management Module (NRMM) computer software installed on board for managing aviation spare parts. Also on 1 May, Eugene Sullivan, Judge, Court of Military Appeals (4-star equivalent) toured IKE from 1400 to 1530, accompanied by his wife, son, four Judge Advocates from the Navy Legal Services Office, Norfolk, and the Staff Judge Advocate for the Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

On 5 May, 75 educators from Alabama were in Norfolk for Navy Orientation. They visited IKE from 0900 to 1100. Also on that date, representatives from COMNAVAIRLANT, NAVWEPEVALCEN, NAVENGCOM Albuquerque and Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company conducted Shipboard Installation Acceptance Testing of the newly installed MonoRail Hoist System. Significant discrepancies were discovered and a course of corrective action was identified.

On 7 May, 90 members of the Research and Development Associates for Military Food and Packaging Systems, Inc., were in Norfolk for their annual meeting. They toured IKE from 0930 to 1115. On that same day, a National Day of Prayer was observed from 1200 to 1230 in the Ship's Chapel.

On 10 May, the first official "IKE Day" was held at Busch Gardens with "IKE Night in Germany."

On 11 May, the Army Logistics Executive Development Course, consisting of 80 logistics executives including 14 international officers, three U.S. Marines, 15 American civilians (GS-11 to GS-14) and 48 Army officers (O-3 to O-6) toured IKE from 0930 to 1230.

Training and Readiness Evaluation (TRE) was conducted from 11 to 13 May, with zero restrictive deficiencies in damage control. On 12 May, 70 German Information/Youth Officers, hosted by the Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic, toured IKE from 1030 to 1330. The group included three German colonels responsible for press/information policy on the Minister of Defense level.

On 13 May, the Virginia Chapter, Financial Executive Institute, consisting of 40 civilian financial officers from throughout the state of Virginia, toured IKE from 1330 to 1500.

On 14 May, General Zhang Zhen, PLA, President, National Defense University of the People's Republic of China, toured IKE from 1500 to 1630. He was in the United States as a guest of the President of the National Defense University, and personally hosted by VADM Dunleavy, Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

General Zhang, one of the most senior four-star generals in the People's Liberation Army, was accompanied by his wife, five other flag officers, three O-6 level staff officers, and one O-6 level U.S. escort officer. This visit was described as an important element in the U.S. effort to build a U.S./PLA military relationship.

On 15 May, a 75-member class of the Department of Defense Military Comptroller School in Norfolk, on a one-day field trip to view resources and hardware the Navy operates, toured IKE from 1030 to 1145. Also on 15 May IKE's Safety Department published the spring issue of IKE's Safety Deposit Box, and a memorial service was held for Seaman James Repass of Navigation Department.

On 16 May, the Navy Resale System Advisory Committee toured IKE from 1030 to 1300. Established in 1946, the Committee provides expert advice, ideas and recommendations to the Secretary of the Navy concerning the general course of the Navy Resale System and effective use of its assets. The group was hosted by RADM Miller, Atlantic Fleet Supply Officer, and included RADM and Mrs. Walker, RADM and Mrs. Wilson, RADM and Mrs. Squibb, and BGEN(sel) and Mrs. Downs.

On 18 May, AIMD's IM-4 Division returned to IKE with all Support Equipment after extensive overhaul at St. Julien's Creek.

On 19 May, a Flag Officer Study Group, consisting of seven civilians contracted to study flag officer billets in the Navy, toured IKE from 0930 to 1100.

On 20 May, the CNO Executive Panel (CEP), a federal advisory commission composed of distinguished civilians, toured IKE from 1515 to 1645. The group was hosted by RADM Johnson, Commander, Carrier Group FOUR.

On 21 May, Admiral Radhakrishin Hiriram Tahiliani, Chief of Naval Staff, India (CNO equivalent), toured IKE from 1010 to 1115. He was hosted by RADM Johnson, Commander, Carrier Group FOUR, and was accompanied by RADM Ghosh, Chief Staff Officer, Technical Western Command; Commodore Bhagwat, aide; Commodore Khana, Indian Naval Attache; CAPT August Millard, USN, U.S. Naval Attache; CAPT Kelsey Stewart, USN, CINCLANTFLT Escort Officer; and LT [REDACTED], USN, U.S. aide.

On 27 May, 300 IKE crewmembers assembled on the flight deck in front of the Island for filming by WVEC-TV at 1400. CAPT Beck, standing in the middle, opened by saying, "From the flight deck of the USS Dwight D. EISENHOWER," which was followed by crewmembers shouting, "Good Morning, America!" The Norfolk-location "Good Morning America" was telecast on 1 June.

On 28 May, the Navy Supply Management Course, consisting of 14 senior foreign officers, toured IKE from 0830 to 1130. Also on this date, all magazine sprinkler systems were put back on line by Weapons Department.

On 29 May, Capt. Anderson was relieved by 1st Lt. Torres as Commanding Officer, IKE Marine Detachment.

On 30 May, IKE's Command Picnic was held at Fleet Recreational Park in Norfolk from 1100 to 1700, and Magazine Sprinkler System Review was conducted by Weapons Department.

On 3 June, nine personnel from the U.S.-Japan Joint Staff Exchange Conference toured IKE from 1055 to 1330 and had lunch with CAPT Beck. The group consisted of: LTGEN Dale Vesser, USA, Director of Plans and Policy, JCS; MGEN Kiezo Shigematsu, JGSDF, Chief, Joint Staff Office; LTC Iwaki Tanaka, JASDF, Long-Range Planning Section; COL Tomotashi Tamura, JGSDF, Japanese Military Attache; BGEN Thomas Harvey, USA, Deputy Director, Political Military Affairs, JCS; RADM Bruce Cargill, Director, Navy Space Systems; COL Hartmuth Guenther, USA, Chief, Plans and Policy Division, U.S. Forces, Japan; LTC [REDACTED], USA, JCS Desk Officer and Finance Officer; CAPT Charles Kiseljack, USN, CinCLantFlt Escort Officer.

On 4 June, IKE's Medical Response Team responded to the pier, where a civilian contractor employee fell 60 feet from the ship to a camel alongside. The man was transported to the hospital. He died from his injuries two months later.

On 13 June, IKE's first Midshipman Cruise began for 25 Midshipmen. Also on 15 June, a two-week Reserve ACDUTRA period began for CVN-69 Det 0166, and a Functional Skills instructor taught math to 43 IKE students until 23 July.

On 15 June, Supply Department completed loadout for extended sea operations. Over 10,000 pallets of materials were moved by the Material (S-8) Division during this period. Also on 15 June, AIMD's Avionic Bench verification was completed.

On 15 June IKE got underway for its first Atlantic Fleet operation since overhaul. Operating in the Virginia Capes operating area, IKE was preparing for Shakedown '87, to be followed by a port call to Caracas, Venezuela. RADM James S. McFarland, Commander, Naval Security Group Command, toured IKE from 0800 to 0900 to observe the Ship's Signal Exploitation System and Battle Group Passive Horizon Extension System.

On 16 June, IKE's Deck Department successfully completed the first underway replenishment with USS SURIBACHI (AE-21). During the remainder of 1987, a total of 20 alongside evolutions were completed with 9,520,797 gallons of fuel and 1,080 pallets of stores received.

On 20 June, IKE refueled USS HERCULES (PHM-2), the first carrier refueling evolution with a hydrofoil.

On 28 June, IKE's Nato Sea Sparrow Missile System Mounts fired six telemetry RIM-7M missile shots. Five of six missiles guided successfully. The sixth suffered a fin failure upon launch and crashed into the sea immediately. The CIWS also engaged three towed targets, scoring direct hits on all.

Shakedown '87 officially began on 21 June, as the focus of attention turned to damage control. A contingent from the Fleet Training Group, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, came aboard to observe and critique IKE's damage control program, and to offer their own expertise. Throughout the ship, Damage Control Petty Officers were on the job around the clock seeking, finding and correcting damage control discrepancies. General Quarters drills were conducted on an almost daily basis, as were Man Overboard drills. Engineering and reactor drills went down day and night.

Meanwhile in Deck Department, IKE dropped anchor for the first time after coming out of overhaul on 23 June. Fifteen anchoring evolutions were conducted, with a total of 5,892 feet of chain length crossing the deck plates. On the following day, the first personnel highline transfer since coming out of the yards was conducted with USS DEWEY (DDG-45).

IKE anchored in Guantanamo Bay for a Steel Beach Picnic on 4 July. Supply Department provided the hamburgers, hot dogs and condiments, and the men took turns at the grill. Some participated in flight deck volleyball and soccer games, while others displayed musical talent, and still others merely relaxed in the sun.

IKE got underway again on 5 July, enroute for Caracas, Venezuela. On 7 July, the Venezuelan Military High Command and Venezuelan media arrived on IKE via C-2 aircraft to visit IKE and observe joint operations. The distinguished visitors arrived at 1430 and departed at 1700. The media arrived at 0915 on the 7th, and departed 1000 on the 8th.

On 8 July, IKE arrived at the Venezuelan port of La Guaira, serving the capital city of Caracas, and anchored at 0630. It was IKE's first foreign portcall in nearly two years. Deck Department commenced its first liberty boat run since the yard period. A total of 74 Naval Attaches and their wives arrived onboard IKE at 1130 for a tour and lunch hosted by CDR Kenneth L. Pyle, Executive Officer.

During this same period, Supply Department established IKEDONALD's at the Fleet Landing. Over 1,500 people were served each evening of the Caracas port visit.

On 9 July, a formal reception was held onboard IKE in Hangar Bay 2 at 1730, followed by an Evening Review on the flight deck at 1930. The Honorable Otto J. Reich, U.S. Ambassador to Venezuela, spoke to the assembly in both English and Spanish. His speech was followed by a silent close-order drill demonstration by IKE's Marine Detachment.

On 10 July, a Hot Washup for joint U.S. and Venezuelan exercises was held onboard IKE followed by a luncheon. Attendance included 21 Venezuelan Naval Officers, two U.S. Naval Officers, 20 Navy League members and 35 IKE officers. Senior foreign officers included VADM Padilla (Venezuelan CNO), MGEN Galeana (Commander, Venezuela Air Force Operations), Captain Markov (Commander of Frigate Squadrons), Colonel Paredes (Commanding Officer, Group 16) and the Commanding Officers of five Venezuelan ships.

On 11 July, IKE's first Midshipman Cruise ended and a second Midshipman Cruise began for 25 Midshipmen.

When IKE got underway again on 12 July, Ambassador Reich and a group of distinguished officials arrived onboard IKE via C-2 aircraft for a visit and observation of a flight demonstration by the airwing. Safety Standdown was conducted in anticipation of Refresher Training.

On 15 July, the Maintenance Department was formed assuming the duties of Maintenance and Material Management (3-M), Quality Assurance, Production Control, and Logistics Support on USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER. LCDR [REDACTED] is the Department Head.

On 18 July IKE conducted a major ammunition underway replenishment with USS MOUNT BAKER (AE-34).

IKE arrived in port at Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA on 23 July. The success of IKE's port visit in Caracas was noted by a message from ADM Frank B. Kelso, Commander In Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

From 27 to 31 July Weapons Department conducted Explosive Safety Review (ESR).

On 30 July, 29 students of the Armed Forces Staff College Joint Command, Control and Communications (C-3) Staff and Operations Course boarded IKE at 1600 for a classified tour of C-3 related spaces. They departed at 1800.

On 31 July, CDR [REDACTED] relieved CAPT B. G. Moore as Supply Officer.

On 4 August, a group of 65 educators from Michigan was in Norfolk for a Navy Orientation. They toured IKE from 0900 to 1100.

On 6 August, BGEN Yvon Sorel, Canadian Forces Air Attache, toured IKE from 1000 to 1145, accompanied by his son, who is a lieutenant in the Canadian Navy. Also on that date, the second SIAT was conducted by Weapons Department. This SIAT was limited in scope to past discrepancies identified.

On 7 August, a group of 40 from the Missouri Support of the Reserve and National Guard toured IKE from 1145 to 1415. Also, Medical Department passed Medical Readiness Inspection with Commander Naval Air Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet Force Medical. IKE's second Midshipman Cruise ended on this date, and the third, again for 25 Midshipmen, began on the following day.

On 10 August, IKE was re-established as a DANTES test center in preparation for deployment.

On 13 August, the National Defense University Capstone General/Flag Officer Course, hosted by the Commander, Carrier Group EIGHT, toured IKE from 0955 to 1100. The group included VADM Wesley McDonald, USN (Ret.), GEN Robert Sennewald, USA (Ret.), 17 O-7s and two O-6 escort officers. Also on this date, a two-week Reserve ACDUTRA period began for CVN-69 Det 0272.

On 14 August, IKE got underway for Refresher Training (RefTra). The drills done for practice during Shakedown were now done for grade, as once again the Guantanamo Bay Fleet Training Group came aboard to formally assess our damage control, engineering and communications skills. During this period, IKE would not travel to the Guantanamo Bay operating area, but would stay in the vicinity of the Virginia Capes.

On 16 and 17 August, the Honorable Chase Untermeyer, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, arrived on IKE for an overnight visit, accompanied by LCOL [REDACTED], USMC, his Executive Assistant; Mr. Charles Greenleaf, Deputy Chief of Staff for the Vice President of the United States; and Mr. Jay Stephens, White House Counsel.

From 16 to 20 August, IKE underwent Mine Readiness Certification (MCRI) Technical Assist Visit (TAV).

On 19 and 20 August, the following distinguished visitors from the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Program Analysis and Evaluation (PA&E) arrived onboard IKE for an orientation to carrier operations, sponsored by VADM D. E. Jeremiah, Director, Navy Program Planning: Mr. Charles R. Roll, Jr., SES-6 (3-star equivalent), Principal Deputy PA&E, OSD; Mr. Herbert C. Puscheck, SES-5, Deputy Director (General Purpose Programs) PA&E, OSD; Mr. Robert J. Croteau, SES-3, Tactical Air Programs, PA&E, OSD; and CDR [REDACTED], USN, escort officer.

On 25 August IKE ended Refresher Training, having set new COMNAVAIRLANT standards for setting Yoke and Zebra material conditions of readiness. Deck Department achieved an overall grade of 100 percent for all competitive exercises. A perfect score of 100 was also attained in 10 of 10 medical competitive exercises.

On 26 August, IKE returned to Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA., having scored an outstanding 97 on the final battle problem.

On 27 August the Communications Department successfully completed their phase of Refresher Training with an overall average of 99.0.

On 28 August, IKE got underway for Carrier Qualifications, and the Military Affiliate Relay System (MARS) Station became fully active. From 27 to 30 August, NWTGA inspectors conducted TAV for Weapons Department in preparation for NWAI.

From 29 August to 1 September, IKE hosted a Secretary of the Navy Guest Cruise, plus guests of Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet and media representatives. SecNav guests included: Mr. Domenic Antonelli, owner, Parking Management; Mr. John Bertrand, Legislative Officer, International Union Operating Engineers; Mr. Joseph Strauss, Jr., Vice Chairman, Strauss, Greenberg & Co.; Mr. Harvey Lamm, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Subaru of America; Mr. Robert Alpert, Chief Executive Officer, Alpert Investment Corp.; Mr. Anthony Chevins, Chairman of the Board, Cunningham & Walsh, Inc.; Mr. John Whitmore, President and Chief Executive Officer, Bessemer Group, Inc.; Mr. Leo Wright, Vice President, Westinghouse Electronic Corp., Washington, D.C.

ComNavAirLant guests included: Mr. Bernie Inge, guest of VADM Dunn; Dr. Roy Jarrett, dentist; Mr. Ralph Solberg, Director of Communications, Rockwell International; Mr. Gordon P. Eaton, President, Iowa State University; Mr. Terry Pashea, Mr. Ross Williams, Mr. Jim Casserly, Mr. Wayne Crouch, Mr. Larry Anderson and Mr. Jim Evans, McDonnell Engineers; Ms. Ariane Whittemore, NavCompt, Budget Analyst for Aircraft Operations and Flying Hour Program; Mr. Terry McGraw, Publisher, Aviation Week and Space Technology; CAPT David Fulton, USNR (Ret.), Tennessee Aeronautics Commission (TAC); Dr. Charles Couch, Vice Chairman, TAC; Mr. Larry Cox, Mr. Stone, Mr. Jim Gordon and Mr. Malcolm Baird, TAC. Media representatives: Phil Gutis, New York Times Defense Industry Correspondent, and Mike Drake, Grumman Aerospace Magazine Staff Photographer; John Davidow, Producer/Correspondent, WCVB-TV (ABC, Boston) and one cameraman.

On 31 August, a burial at sea was conducted for PFC James L. Brennan, USMC. IKE's Marine Detachment provided military honors.

On 1 September IKE's Maintenance Department hosted a COMNAVAIRLANT 3-M/PMS Inspection.

On 3 September, Communications Department reported approximately 900 Class Easy messages and MARS patches processed since 29 August due to date change of Dependents Day Cruise.

On 5 September, IKE returned to Pier 12, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA. The following day, IKE hosted a Dependents Day Cruise as the families and friends of the crew boarded IKE for a day at sea. While it rained in Norfolk, the IKE shipriders enjoyed favorable weather beyond the shoreline, as well as a picnic lunch on the hangar deck, home-generated music, and an air show complete with flyovers. Food Services (S-2) Division provided a continental breakfast and lunch for more than 10,000 people who attended, and worship services were conducted by IKE's Chaplains.

On 10 September, the family of Mr. Art Spirou gave him a surprise for his 65th birthday: an hour and a half tour of IKE, from 1000 to 1130. On the following day, 23 personnel from the Chilean Naval War College boarded IKE from 1100 to 1330 for lunch and a tour.

On 14 September, an Orientation to Carrier Ministry was given to 14 Naval Reserve chaplains by Religious Ministries Department.

On 18 September, IKE observed POW/MIA Recognition Day as 100 of her sailors were sent to Commander, Naval Base, Norfolk, for a formation ceremony. The POW/MIA Flag was flown, and an IKE BULLETIN feature story was published. Command Chaplain [REDACTED] offered a prayer over the 1MC public address system at 1200, and a letter drafted and signed by IKE crewmen supporting the return of POWs and MIAs was placed on the enlisted brow. On that same day, IKE crewmen, dressed in whites, assembled on the flight deck in formation, making the number "200," in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution. The picture was published in military and civilian newspapers and magazines across the United States.

On 19 September, Senator William Armstrong (R-Colo.) and 65 staff members and spouses visited IKE from 1100 to 1230.

On 22 September, General Moustapha Cheloufi, Algerian Minister of Defense, plus seven Algerian officers and three U.S. escort officers, toured IKE from 1330 to 1445. On the following day, three officials from the Office of Budget and Management toured IKE from 1200 to 1300.

On 25 September, 35 members of the Utah Young Presidents' Organization, consisting of businessmen ages 35-40, visited IKE.

On 26 September, IKE's Marine Detachment won first place for best military drilling unit at the annual Neptune Festival in Virginia Beach. The award was presented on 9 October.

On 28 September, IKE got underway for another Carrier Qualification period. During this time, reporter Jerry Demeuze of New England Magazine, and photographer Sam Faulise boarded IKE for interviews with Connecticut natives. IKE also hosted another Secretary of the Navy Guest Cruise, with the following distinguished guests: Roger D. Stone, an Armand G. Erph Conservation Fellow, World Wildlife Fund; Daniel R. Tisch, Managing Director, Solomon Brothers, Inc., New York; Mayo S. Stuntz, Jr., President, Quantum Television, Inc., New York; Louis Liay, Executive Director, University of Illinois Alumni Association; Hervey A. Priddy, Director of Administration, Sabine Corp., Dallas, Texas; Thomas M. Taylor, President, Taylor & Co., Fort Worth, Texas; and Kyle Robeson, President and Chief Executive Officer, Robeson's Inc., Champaign/Urbana, Illinois. IKE got underway on 29 September with the above-listed guests and returned to Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, on 3 October.

From 28 September to 1 October, a Nuclear Weapons Acceptance Inspection was conducted by inspectors from NWTGA. A grade of Satisfactory was assigned and certification was granted.

On 30 September, a burial at sea was conducted for LCDR Kenneth E. Wheeler, USNR (Ret.).

In October, the SLQ-50 was removed from the ship. The Tactical Data Information Exchange (TADIX-A) and Officer in Tactical Command Information Exchange System (OTCIXS) were installed.

On 1 October IKE's Logistics Support Center, run by LCDR [REDACTED], became fully active under the Maintenance Department. Also on that date, a major ammunition underway replenishment was conducted with USS SAVANNAH (AOR-4).

From 5 to 9 October, IKE was visited by the Torpedo Readiness Assist Team (TRAT).

On 6 October, BGEN Pratt, Defense Mapping Agency, toured IKE from 1400 to 1600. On 6 and 7 October, Aviation Ordnance Review was conducted.

On 12 October, Supply Management Inspection commenced for Supply Department.

From 14 to 15 October, a Safety Survey was conducted by the Naval Safety Center.

On 15 October IKE Production Control, led by LCDR [REDACTED], commenced operation. Within the first month of operation it planned and tracked over 500 work requests.

From 16 to 18 October, IKE conducted a three-day celebration of her tenth anniversary of service. Friday the 16th was marked by an awards ceremony on the flight deck followed by a silent drill routine by MARDET's Silent Drill Team. The following evening IKE hosted a formal reception in Hangar Bay 2. Guests included Mrs. Edward Clextan, wife of RADM Clextan, former IKE Commanding Officer;

CAPT John Moriarty, Commanding Officer, USS JOHN F. KENNEDY; and CAPT William B. Hayden, Commanding Officer, USS IWO JIMA and former IKE Executive Officer. On 18 October, IKE's Tenth Birthday, IKE families enjoyed an IKE Day at Busch Gardens.

On 20 October, IKE got underway for Advance Phase Carrier Qualifications. From 20-26 October, Mr. Allan Mogensen, founder and director of Work Simplification Conferences, The Management of Improvement, boarded IKE as a guest of VADM Dunn, Deputy CNO for Air Warfare, and VADM Dunleavy, Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. Also embarked was the Nuclear Power Mobile Training Team (NPMTT), to assist in our preparation for Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE).

On 21 October, Safety Standdown was conducted in anticipation of Advanced Phase Evaluation.

On 22 October, a Memorial Service was conducted for HT3 Loren A. Krause, Jr. of Engineering Department.

From 22 to 24 October, Weapons Department supported CVW-7 squadrons in the NWA Technical Assist Visit (TAV). TAV was used as a basis for final certification.

On 24 and 25 October, nine members of Commander, Naval Surface Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Naval Reserve Detachment 606 visited IKE. On 25 October, RADM Johnson, Commander, Carrier Group FOUR, arrived onboard IKE with the following guests: Mr. John Galvin, World War II fighter ace and retired industrialist; Mr. Gordon Davis, owner, Swearingen Companies (real estate); Mr. Chuck McKinley, Vice President, LTV (defense electronics firm); COL Glenn Jones, USAF (Ret.), National Director, Campus Crusade for Christ.

On 25 October, Supply Department passed Supply Management Inspection, receiving grades of excellent in all Services functions. Also on 25 October, Weapons Department reported the following significant improvements made for Special Weapons Security since 10 September:

- Designed and restructured Special Weapons Access Control Station to provide increased protection for sentries and Weapons Technicians.

- Installed electronic locking devices on all access points to Special Weapons Magazines.

- Installed Video Surveillance System that improved the ability to continuously observe all activities near the Special Weapons Control Stations.

- Installed a duplex voice communications system between Special Weapons Access Control Stations and Alarm Control Central.

On 26 and 27 October, John Wesling, WVEC-TV, Channel 13, Norfolk, Va. reporter, and his cameraman were aboard IKE to produce a documentary on "Responsibilities of Commanding Officers."

From 26 to 29 October, Mine Readiness Certification Inspection was conducted. IKE was certified.

On 27 and 28 October, Betty Francis, WTKR-TV, Channel 3 (Norfolk, Va.) reporter, and her cameraman were aboard IKE to produce a feature entitled, "Delivery of Mail to the Fleet."

Safety Review was conducted by Safety Department on 30 October.

On 31 October, IKE was treated to the music of two home-grown bands in Hangar Bay 2: "Fyre" and "United Sound Connection."

From 6 to 9 November, IKE made a port visit to Charlotte Amalie, Saint Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands. IKEDONALD's was again established at Fleet Landing by Supply Department, and Food Services (S-2) Division served IKE crewmembers a picnic at Magan's Bay on 7 November. Also on 7 November, IKE hosted VADM Justo Pastor Fernandez Marquez, former Venezuela Navy CNO, for lunch and a tour.

IKE left Saint Thomas on 9 November, and an Out Of Port Safety Standdown was conducted. On the following day, from 0945 to 1530, RADM William J. M. O'Connor, Commander, Naval Activities Forces, Caribbean, was aboard with five distinguished visitors for Puerto Rico. RADM Johnson, Commander, Carrier Group FOUR, hosted the group. Guests were: Mr. Arturo L. Carrion, President, Banco Popular; Mr. Jose R. Gonzalez, President, Governmental Development Band of Puerto Rico; Mr. Higinio P. Bartolome, Vice President for Caribbean Operations, Citibank; Mr. Clifford Depin, International Representative, International Ladies Garment Workers Union; and Mr. Bertram Rault, Consul General France in Puerto Rico.

On 13 November, CAPT K. W. Huehn, Chief of Staff, ComNavActsForCarib, was aboard from 1130 to 1715 with five distinguished visitors from Puerto Rico. COMCARGRU FOUR hosted. Also on 13 November, Communications successfully completed LoadEx conducted by Commander, Carrier Group FOUR.

From 14 to 16 November, Mr. J. L. Dyer, SES-2 (O-7 equivalent) was aboard IKE for a tour. He is the Assistant Director, Command, Control and Countermeasures in the office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Electronic Combat/Special Systems. COMCARGRU FOUR hosted.

Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE) commenced on 19 November, ending on 23 November. Results of ORSE for IKE was high average for Engineering and Reactor, with no scores below average. Also on 19 November, Weapons Department conducted a BDU/LSP Exercise involving drop of 6 BDU Weapons in conjunction with CVW-7.

On 20 November, Communications scored 100 percent on all competitive exercises conducted in 1987.

On 22 November, IKE conducted a major ammunition underway replenishment with USS KALAMAZOO (AOR-6).

On 23 November, IKE returned to Pier 11, Naval Station, Norfolk, VA. COMCARGRU FOUR and staff departed the following day. Supply Department reports issue of over 14,000 repair parts since 26 October.

On 26 November, Food Services Division served a traditional Thanksgiving turkey dinner to over 1,000 people. Also on 26 November, it was announced that the All-Navy Soccer Team, three of whose members are IKE crewmen, won first place in the All-Service Soccer Tournament. IKE's representatives on the All-Navy Team are: EW2 Paz, AN Fransko and AN Senior.

On 1 December IKE got underway again, this time for Montego Bay, Jamaica, at the express request of the U.S. Embassy in that country. IKE arrived in Montego Bay on the fourth, and on 5 December held a reception in Hangar Bay 2 for the U.S. Ambassador, the Governor General of Jamaica, and other dignitaries. IKEDONALD's was again established at Fleet Landing by Supply Department.

Meanwhile on 5 December, 30 IKE volunteers worked on painting and renovation of a Jamaican orphanage and a Jamaican school. The experience was rewarding for all involved; both the children and the sailors who made new friends that day.

On 6 December, Food Services Division served IKE crewmembers a picnic at Walter Fletcher Beach in Jamaica.

On 7 December IKE left Montego Bay for Norfolk. On that day, the first session of the Middle Management Leadership Training Course was held. This course, targeted for petty officers second and first class, was conceived and developed by AC1 [REDACTED], IKE's newly-appointed Equal Opportunity Coordinator.

IKE arrived at Pier 11 in Norfolk on 10 December only to leave again the following day for the Virginia Capes operating area. During that brief time inport, S-8 Division loaded over 200 pallets of material in under seven hours.

From 11-15 December IKE was visited by media representatives from The Afro-American (newspaper), WAVY-TV, Channel 10 (Norfolk television), U.S. Black Engineer (magazine) and The Standard Speaker (Hazelton, PA newspaper).

On 13 December, the first at-sea Safety Survey was conducted on IKE by the Naval Safety Center. This survey lasted through the 17th. Also, Safety Department actively participated in "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week, 13-19 December. Theme of the week was: "First a Friend — Then a Host."

On 15 December, a burial at sea was performed for GMGC Brady D. Cartwright, USN (Ret.).

On 16 December, IKE was able to return to Norfolk two days ahead of original schedule due to its rapid accomplishment of arrested landings during this, the final underway period for IKE in Calendar Year 1987.

On 25 December, Food Services Division served a traditional Christmas Dinner onboard to more than 900 people.

On 29 December, IKE was host ship for Family Day, a day of general shipboard touring sponsored by Commander In Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

On 31 December, IKE completed its tenth year in which no Air Traffic Controller Related incident occurred. A total of 4,384 sorties had been launched from IKE in 1987, for a total of 8,491 successful arrested landings, of which 2,836 occurred at night. Supply Department averaged over 8,700 pounds of laundry processed daily at sea. \$211,000 was generated by the Ship's Store for the crew's Welfare/Recreation Fund. And over \$27,600,000 was disbursed to crewmembers as pay/compensation during 1987. Communications reported approximately 208,000 messages processed during the calendar year. Deck Department totaled 1,910 liberty boat runs, with 29,405 liberty party personnel taken ashore and returned. Dental Department provided more than 700 prosthetic devices to IKE crewmembers and Medical Department treated 14,402 ship's personnel in military sick call. Safety Department reported no major industrial injuries during the 18-month overhaul period and the period of June-December, 56 percent of which was spent at sea. More than 80 "Anymouse" hazard reports were processed during 1987. From Shakedown through Advanced Phase Training, Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department (AIMD) processed more than 200 items daily while underway. IKE's three chaplains and three command appointed lay leaders conducted 406 services of worship. IKE chaplains counseled 2,299 crew members or their dependents, and Religious Ministries Department received 1,137 American Red Cross messages for delivery. Since 25 April, the Marine Detachment qualified 70 Marines with the use of the M-14 and M-16 rifles, and M-60 machine gun expending more than 30,200 rounds of ammunition.