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for operational period 1 January to 31 December 1997.

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USS DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER (CVN 69)
COMMAND HISTORY
1 JANUARY -- 31 DECEMBER 1997

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b. The Operational Commander embarked is Commander, Eisenhower Battle Group, also known as Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group EIGHT. RADM Scott A. Fry, USN, assumed duties as COMIKEBATGRU and CCDG-8 from RADM James B. Hinkle (biography is enclosed), USN, in August 1997. RADM Fry's biography is enclosed.

c. The Commanding Officer is CAPT Gregory C. Brown, USN, whose biography is enclosed. He assumed command on 22 September 1995.

d. The Executive Officer is CAPT James Symonds, USN, whose biography is enclosed. He assumed duties as XO in October 1997 from CAPT Richard K. Gallagher, USN, (biography is enclosed).

e. The department heads as of 31 December 1997 were:

AIMD	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Air	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Combat Systems	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Deck	LCDR	[REDACTED]	
Dental	CDR	[REDACTED]	DC
Engineering	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Executive	LCDR	[REDACTED]	
Legal	LCDR	[REDACTED]	JA
Medical	CAPT	Dwight C. Fulton,	MC
Navigation	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Operations	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Reactor	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Religious Ministries	CAPT	Jim H. Martin,	CHC
Safety	CDR	[REDACTED]	
Supply	CDR	[REDACTED]	
3M/QA	LCDR	[REDACTED]	
Training	LCDR	[REDACTED]	
Weapons	CDR	[REDACTED]	

f. The embarked air wing is CVW 17 commanded by CAPT Bud Jewett, USN (CAG 17). The embarked squadrons include:

VAQ-132 -- Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron (Scorpions)
VAW-125 -- Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (Tiger tails)
VFA-34 -- Strike/Fighter Squadron (Blue Blasters)
VS-30 -- Sea Control Squadron (Diamond Cutters)
HS-15 -- Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron (Red Lions)
VFA-81 -- Strike/Fighter Squadron (Sunliners)
VFA-83 -- Strike/Fighter Squadron (Rampagers)
VF-103 -- Fighter Squadron (Jolly Rogers)
VQ-6 -- Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron (Black Ravens)

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS
1 JANUARY 1997 -- 31 DECEMBER 1997

01-26 JAN	Complex Overhaul, Newport News Shipbuilding
27-29 JAN	Sea Trials
18-21 FEB	Independent Steaming (ISE)
10-15 MAR	Flight Deck Certification
20-27 MAR	Carrier Qualifications
14-28 APR	Carrier Qualifications
14-23 MAY	Carrier Qualifications
11-26 JUN	Carrier Qualifications
14-25 JUL	Carrier Qualifications
13-27 AUG	ISE/CQ/Tiger Cruise
05-19 SEP	ORSE/CQ
03-15 NOV	Tailored Ship's Training Availability (TSTA I/II)
09-18 DEC	TSTA III, Final Evaluation Period (FEP)

DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

AIRCRAFT INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT (AIMD)

AIMD is one leg of the essential aircraft support triad of intermediate maintenance, organizational maintenance and supply. The ability of the carrier to sustain its strike force for extended periods with long logistic pipelines is dependent upon AIMD's ability to repair retrograde material and return it for issue to squadrons. AIMD also utilizes its maintenance and repair capabilities to provide non-aircraft support to the ship. Noteworthy achievements were:

Overhaul Statistics for 1997:

ITEMS PROC: MAN-HOURS:

IMP	IM2	IM3	IM4	IM5
247	2194	3596	2889	1335
0	11516	22225	7093	4053

TOTAL ITEMS PROCESSED: 8926

TOTAL MAN-HOURS: 40835

- Completely reworked the A/W37T-1 Engine Test Cell four months ahead of schedule. Screened and overhauled over 250 pieces of test cell equipment which resulted in optimal test runs of five assigned type engines and auxiliary power units.
- Updated all Oil Analysis Lab test equipment and the required programs four months ahead of schedule and two months prior to CVW 17's arrival which resulted in expeditious lab recertification after three years of inoperative time.
- Saved the Navy over \$15,000 by coordinating and installing a 28 volt wiring system for the Aerial Refueling Stores Test Bench, restoring it to 100 percent operational capability.
- Processed and repaired 300 items for embarked squadrons including airframe components, tire and wheel assemblies, and hydraulic/pneumatic components. Tested and checked 50 aircraft holdback bars for F-14, FA-18, E-2C, and T-45 aircraft.
- Replaced the hydraulic pump on the Servocylinder Test Station, a repair that had not previously been done aboard ship. Repair required more than 100 man-hours in a critically short turnaround time.
- Performed depot level repair on eight HTS Building Blocks. These repairs saved the Navy more than \$50,000 in maintenance repair costs.
- Installed, verified, and validated seven Consolidated Automated Support System (CASS) Test Stations and associated support equipment readiness.

AIRCRAFT INTERMEDIATE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT (AIMD), CONT.

- Coordinated with CNAL, NAWCLKE, and NADEPJAX for the delivery, and successful verification of six VAST to CASS off-load, and eight emerging system Operation Test Program Sets (OTPS). This enabled processing of over 120 F-14, F/A-18, S-3B, E-2C, EA-6B, SH-60, and HH-60 Weapons Replaceable Assemblies (WRAs) on CASS.

- Installed and verified a cross-decked IATS Test Station after being out of service for over eighteen months which saved the Navy over \$20,000 in civilian shipyard and contractor costs.

- Designed, manufactured, and installed chill water boost pump cover after installing the chill water boost pumps for the AN/APM-417 Radar Test Bench System. This was accomplished despite fund shortages and any formally trained technicians. Work Center 64A completely repaired and maintained the AN/APM-417 Radar Test Bench System and achieved an RFI rate of 85 percent during demanding TSTA I/II.

- Expeditiously removed the AN/AQM-24A Sonar Test Bench and installed AN/AQM-24B Sonar Test Bench to test and troubleshoot the AN/AQS-13F Sonar System. Installation completed in two days with no missing assets and bench verification was 100 percent on first run.

- Reworked 12 transporters, eight conveyors, three loaders, and two down loaders in a five month period which realized a cost savings of over \$170,000.

- Flawlessly and expeditiously unloaded 672 pieces of aircraft armament equipment with a value over \$18 million. Using foresight and planning, this onload was accomplished three months ahead of schedule to support the embarked air wing.

- Conducted 74 Support Equipment licensing classes that trained 686 shipboard and air wing personnel and licensed 300 operators in proper support equipment (SE) operation.

- Coordinated the flawless, mishap free onload of over 1450 items of SE, tools and office furnishings at the end of an eighteen month yard period.

- Performed extensive overhaul and rework on 10 Hydraulic Units, 4 Nitrogen Carts, 65 Tow bars, and 29 Aircraft jacks. Aggressive organic effort in lieu of contractor support effected a cost saving of \$233,100.

- Developed and implemented an extensive, integrated plan for space rehabilitation, work center back-load, restoration of required engineering services and test equipment verification. Totalling more than 120,000 man-hours, this aggressive plan restores AIMD's extensive repair facilities through the use of the ship's force personnel with projected savings in excess of \$1,000,000.

- Tracked and maintained an inventory of more than 10,000 items of SE and associated hardware valued at over \$195,942,223. A comprehensive wall-to-wall inventory requiring more than 1000 man-hours was completed with total precision. IKE has the best Activity Inventory Record of any AIRLANT carrier.

AIR DEPARTMENT

- **COMPLETION OF COMPLEX OVERHAUL (COH):** The Air Department completed a demanding 18 month Complex Overhaul that included rework of all major systems - Bow and Waist Catapults, Arresting Gear Engines, Flight and Hangar Deck Resurfacing, and the JP-5 Fuel System. Following COH, all systems were returned to full operational status.

- **FLIGHT DECK CERTIFICATION:** IKE completed flight deck certification in March. The AIRLANT Handling Team praised the AIR Department's effectiveness in achieving this initial qualification. The successful certification was the result of a vigorous training plan that consisted of multiple detachments to other east coast carriers as well as an intensive inport training program.

- **CARRIER QUALIFICATIONS:** IKE conducted 74 days of carrier qualifications for Training Command and Fleet Replacement Squadrons. This afforded IKE the opportunity to exercise the complex aircraft launch and recovery systems rebuilt during COH. IKE exceeded all goals during carrier qualifications and set a single day record of 259 traps. In order to maximize flight deck training opportunities, IKE opened the flight deck to instructor pilots for proficiency traps at every opportunity.

- **CYCLIC OPERATIONS:** IKE and Carrier Air Wing Seventeen (CVW 17) started the workup process with three highly successful at-sea periods. The Air Department quickly adapted to the dynamic environment of cyclic operations. Building on lessons learned from carrier qualifications, the flight deck was ready to support intensified CVW 17 operations.

- **AIR DEPARTMENT NUMBERS.** IKE conducted over 8,600 arrested landings during 100 days of fixed wing operations in 1997, essentially a cruise worth of flying! Helicopter operations were brisk as well with 109 days of flying and 686 launches. The Aviation Fuels Division (V-4) fueled 5025 aircraft with over 4.5 million gallons of JP-5 to sustain these high tempo operations. The Air Department performed flawlessly during ammo onload, which was IKE's first post COH Vertical Replenishment. A planned two day, 1500 lift evolution was accomplished in one day, with over 1300 lifts completed safely and efficiently. Additionally, 1,118 elevator runs and over 850 Hangar Bay (V-3) aircraft moves were made without incident.

- **TRAINING CYCLE:** The COMNAVAIRLANT Aircraft Handling Team and the Afloat Training Group conducted assist and evaluation visits during CART I/II, TSTA I, II, III and FEP. The Air Department Training Team consistently received praise for drill effectiveness and proactive approach as well as the advanced level of integration with IKE's Training Team. The AIRLANT Handling Team Leader described a series of fire drills as "the best training done by any east coast carrier in years."

AIR DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- **COMPETITIVE EXERCISE:** The Air Department's performance during CY97 COMPEX Drills resulted in an average score of 99.7. Evaluators complimented the Air Department's approach to training - complete and precise pre-briefs and debriefs, desired training goals for each drill, enthusiastic participation and a high level of khaki involvement.

- **MAINTENANCE:** Superlative performance during COMNAVAIRLANT 3M Inspection. The Air Department achieved one of the highest scores among all Atlantic Fleet carrier Air Departments. A testament to the meticulous maintenance performed by Air Department personnel was the unprecedented equipment availability during extensive flight operations. Maintenance milestones included:

--Catapult availability of 99.3% and arresting gear 98.3%.
The best on the waterfront.

--Certified to conduct aviation fueling operations on the first attempt following COH. A major success and a new record for COMNAVAIRLANT.

--Significantly increased the ability of flight deck refueling. Repaired 10 fueling hose stations, installed 30 new valves, rewired five fueling stations, rebuilt three de-fuel pumps and rehabilitated 19 fueling stations.

--Successful testing of all hangar and flight deck sprinkler and firefighting systems.

--Hangar deck rehabilitation of 87 overhead storage racks, new VLA markings and replacing 13 AFFF hose reels.

--Completed 200,000 square feet of flight deck non-skid critical to continued safe operations.

--Completed 105 FOD Free Fly Days and over 12,000 safe aircraft moves.

--The Crash and Salvage Team responded to an A-4 aircraft mishap in the landing area. A timely phase three salvage was conducted and the landing area cleared in 18 minutes.

- **AIRLANT CRASH AND SALVAGE OLYMPICS:** The Air Department's Crash and Salvage Team hosted the AIRLANT Crash and Salvage Olympics on board IKE. The event featured the first ever use of a live shipboard fire simulator - a major training innovation. In addition to the flawless coordination for this week long event and on loading seven drill aircraft, the Crash and Salvage Team finished second among all participants.

COMBAT SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT

The Combat Systems Department provided combat systems readiness, supporting numerous software and hardware installations. Significant accomplishments include:

COMBAT SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Use of the Module Test and Repair Facility (MTRF) in repair electronics modules and assemblies resulted in savings in excess of \$237,924.48, and averted 3 CASREPS.
- Completed a Limited Combat Systems Readiness Review (LCSRR).
- Maintained an 85% operational readiness rate for all shipboard test equipment.
- Implemented Combat Systems Operating Sequencing System Organization.
- Scored 93.8 percent on Comprehensive Communications Assessment.
- Completed successful NATO Seasparrow Missile shot, achieving skin-to-skin destructive hit.
- Achieved the following certifications:
 - NATO Sea Sparrow
 - Flight Deck Certification
 - AN/SPN-46 ACLS
 - AN/SPN-41 ILS (CATCC/DAIR SYSTEM)
 - SINS
 - TACAN
- Achieved the following qualifications:
 - Detect-to-Engage
 - Combat Systems Operating Sequencing System
 - TDI J SHOOT
- Inspection results:
 - CART II/TSTA I/TSTA II - No outstanding discrepancies
 - 3M - 94%
 - CMS - Passed
 - Preliminary Combat Systems Readiness Review - Passed
 - Explosive Safety Inspection - Passed
- New Installations:
 - Joint Maritime Communications Information system
 - Shipboard Non Tactical ADP Program III
 - Joint Tactical Information Display Systems
 - Joint Services Imagery Processing System
 - Advanced Combat Direction System Block I
 - Secure Brief TV
 - Sea Television
 - SMQ - IIC upgrade
 - Sailor Phone
 - DSS Satellite
 - SITE 501 TV upgrade
 - AN/WSC-6 SHF - 7 FT antenna
 - High Frequency Radio Group (URC- 13)
 - AN/SRC-55 HYDRA
 - Commercial Wideband Satellite Program Upgrade (Challenge Athena III)
 - Navy Extremely High Frequency Communications Console
 - Ship-wide classified Local Area Network

DECK DEPARTMENT

IKE'S highly motivated, mission-oriented Deck Department personnel consistently provided outstanding logistic support in the areas of underway replenishment, hull preservation, alongside mooring evolutions, 24 hour crane service, boat operations, anchoring evolution's and maintenance. Their outstanding professionalism in these areas was frequently cited by visiting VIP and Battle Group Commanding Officers and inspection team members as "the best they have seen." IKE continued to lead the Fleet in underway replenishment safety, operations, and training. Specific accomplishments included:

- Flawless performance during inspections. The ship's Seamanship Training Team was evaluated throughout the year by ATG and AIRLANT Staff and received comments such as **"IKE's STT organization and team performance is the example for others carriers to emulate"**.

- Developed model Boat and Aircraft Crane training and qualification program.

- Assisted Naval Station Norfolk in the design and implementation of the CV brow platform. This has reduced injuries to crew members and has reduced the steep angle of decent while departing/arriving on board.

- During port visit Nassau, Bahamas IKE conducted an emergency sortie with duty section personnel only, and returned to anchorage during hours of darkness incident free.

- Deck Department provided around the clock liberty boat services during port visits Halifax, Nova Scotia and Nassau, Bahamas incident free.

- Deck Department was the first CVN to conduct SPECWAR Scarab Fast Insertion Boat Operations with the SEAL TEAM SPECWAR Community proving IKE is truly joint capable and able to support multi mission tasking.

- Continued an aggressive exterior preservation program that set the standard for surface ships. A quick check of the Norfolk waterfront confirms that no ship looks better.

- Overwhelming majority of Deck personnel are fully qualified in all required PQS areas. People are advancing on time and striking for their desired rates. Retention is on a steady upward trend.

Throughout this period, IKE's Deck Department continued to achieve perfection by incorporating professionalism and team spirit into every operation. Their ability to make every commitment, and the crew's dedication to **"do it right the first time,"** consistently produced quality results while reducing man-hours. Whether conducting mooring evolution's, small boat operations, painting, or refueling/replenishment at-sea, Deck Department far exceeded their motto **"Warriors of the Sea."**

DENTAL DEPARTMENT

Calendar year 1997 was a very successful year for the Dental Department. Although a high turnover rate of personnel occurred the department managed to achieve an unprecedented 91% Dental Readiness.

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Dental Examinations Provided: 2,782
- Recorded Patient Visits: 8,719
- Teeth Extracted: 544
- Surfaces Filled: 1,920
- Dental Cleanings: 739
- Dental Readiness: 91%
- Received Overall "Outstanding" during AIRLANT Dental Officer's Dental Readiness Examination.
- Received 100% on COMNAVAIRLANT Formal 3M Inspection.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Engineering Department continued to support IKE's mission during its transition from the shipyard environment to Fleet operations. The department contributed significantly to a successful completion of the Basic Training Phase of the CV/CVN interdeployment training cycle. It was awarded the Red DC for Damage Control Excellence.

Highlights of a major maintenance include:

JANUARY

- 08/09/010 level, windshield wiper repairs.
- 22 vent motors for unrigging, rewinding and reinstallation.
- #2 Special Frequency Generators, brushes replacement and slip rings repair.
- Install of #9 Air Conditioning Plant.
- Installation of Fwd, amidships and aft Plastic Waste Processing.
- Installation 10/11 Air Conditioning Seachest.
- Group 5, 14, 15, 17 Counter Measure Piping repairs.
- Rebuilt 16 Balance Prop Valves.
- 50 Propulsion Plant piping repairs on Firemain, Distilling Unit, Pumps and Salt Water piping.

FEBRUARY

- #2 Messenger Winch, contractor coil replacement.
(CASREP 97012)
- Halon stations electrical discrepancy corrections.
- Replaced hicheck valves 4, 5, 17, 19.
- Repair of catapult steam system.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, CONT.

MARCH

- Conveyors electrical groom. (Replaced all overloads to right size)
- Flight Deck Lighting electrical repairs for Flight Deck certification.
- Flight Deck Control electrical and IC repairs for Flight Deck certification.
- AFFF/Counter Measure Washdown electrical repairs for certification.
- FWD Mess Deck electrical connections of Video Arcade machines.
- Flooding/Magazine Sprinkling Special Frequency alarm panels repairs in Central Control Station.
- Replaced Powertrol group 4.
- Repaired #2 List Control Pump Coupling.
- Replaced Hot Water Heaters.
- Repaired Galley Equipment.
- Repaired Hotel Steam.

APRIL

- Blue Floodlights repair, Auto transformer replacement. (CASREP 97043)
- #5 Motor Driven Fire Pump repairs, stationary and movable contacts replacements.
- #1 Messenger Winch, S/Y electrical motor rewinding.
- #5 Air Condition capacity control replacement.
- Small boats electrical repairs for Halifax, Nova Scotia port visit.
- Installation Aerco Hot Water #33, removed Leslie.
- Installation Aerco Hot water #35, removed Leslie.
- Machined work for pumps, valves, motors.

MAY

- Various Airflow E1-D2 module replacements. (CASREP 97049)
- Air wing spaces electrical discrepancy corrections.
- Degaussing repairs, K-1 Relay replacement.
- Installation of additional outlets in Forecastle.
- Manufactured 2ND deck cargo ramps.
- 23 motors rewound.

JUNE

- Headwind/Crosswind computer assembly replacement. (CASREP 97062)
- Boat Booms electrical repairs.
- Pri-Fly Electrical repairs.
- Installation Aerco Hot Water #17, removed Leslie.
- Replaced 29 - 50lb CO2 bottles.
- Aqueous Potassium Carbonate groom/replacing Wardroom #3 Aqueous

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, CONT.

Potassium Carbonate.

- Over 200 keys made.
- Locksmith work.
- Countermeasure washdown repairs.
- Over 1000 engraving request.

JULY

- #1 Special Frequency Generator A frequency oscillation repair, Frequency Discriminator circuits card replacement.
- #1 Special Frequency Generator B frequency oscillation repair, K-1 relay replacement.
- #3 Special Frequency Generator B Detroit switch replacement for cooling water.
- 5 Vent motors for unrigging, rewinding and reinstallation.

AUGUST

- Magazine Alarm certification.
- #2 Special Frequency Generator B load grid assembly replacement.
- #8 Air Condition halocarbon monitor assembly replacement.
- Catapult spaces electrical discrepancy corrections for ORSE.
- #3 Special Frequency Generator B defective Silicon Control Rectifier's replacements.
- #1 and #3 Reefers capacity control replacements.
- Rotary Beacons electrical ground repairs.
- Repaired halon piping #1 JP-5 pump room.

SEPTEMBER

- #17 Motor Driven Fire Pump Automatic Bus Transfer complete overhaul and various parts replacements.
- #3 Special Frequency Generator A load center breaker replacement.
- B & A Crane lower limit switch settings.
- CO2 Fixed systems electrical discrepancy corrections.
- Installation aerco hot water #18, removed leslie.
- Repair halon piping #1 JP-5.
- Assisted Shipyard in repair to catapult exhaust piping.

OCTOBER

- Various "E" call repairs.
- #1 Special Frequency Generator A three-phase trigger card replacement.
- CO's 5MC speaker installation in Bridge.
- Commenced troubleshooting and repair of more than 400 reheaters onboard.
- Installation Aerco hot water #16, removed Leslie.
- Repaired 10' (2) List Control valves.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, CONT.

NOVEMBER

- Slave Gyro Accelerometer Amplifier repaired. (CASREP 97117)
- 6 motors for unrigging, rewinding and reinstallation.
- Troubleshoot 11 vent systems with no "running" indications in the Gyro.
- Small boats electrical groom for Nassau, Bahamas port visit.
- Replaced limitorque valve #7.
- Replaced limitorque valve #10.

DECEMBER

- Steering Starboard Rudder drift repairs. (CASREP 97117)
- Flight Deck Status Panel repairs. (CASREP 97118)
- Underwater Log repairs. (CASREP 97119)
- Degaussing groom for MRCI inspection.
- Installation Aerco hot water #22, removed Leslie.
- Replaced halon systems #3 pump room.
- Repaired Halon system #1B shaft alley.
- Rebuilt 30 hydraulic remote valves.
- Replaced 4 10' Firemain valves.
- Reworked 200 Watertight Doors, Hatches, Scuttles etc.
- Carpentry services.
- Significant CHT piping system repairs.

OTHERS:

- Completed more than 3,000 trouble calls (approximately 5,000 M/H)
- Completed more than 2,000 filter cleanings for DCPO PMS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

X-1 DIVISION -- CO-ADMIN/XO-ADMIN/PRINT SHOP

The Captain's Office consists of 4 Yeomen. These Yeomen performed the following duties for the past year:

- Transferred and received all officers.
- Processed all CO Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals.
- Managed the Officer Sponsor Program.
- Processed all officer fitness reports.
- Processed all officer leave requests.
- Prepared all personal and official correspondence for the CO.
- Prepared invitations.
- Maintained officer's alpha and social rosters.
- Verified command Officer Distribution Control Report.
- Verified all officers' service records and DEERS enrollment.
- Tracked all officers' promotion and associated paperwork.
- Drove CO to official functions.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

XO-Admin consists of 4 Yeomen. These Yeomen performed the following duties for the past year:

- Produced 365 Plan of the Days.
- Processed official mail for the entire ship, CCDG 8 and CVW 17.
- Proofread all correspondence for the Executive Officer.
- Typed the XO's Daily Schedule and Tickler.
- Maintained directives for the command.
- Prepared command directives.
- Processed and tracked higher authority awards.
- Monitored Yeoman training.
- Routed all mail and correspondence.
- Prepared Ombudsman newsletters for mailing.
- Provided administrative support for the Command Master Chief.

IKE's Print Shop provided printing support to the ship, embarked units and various other units on the waterfront. The Print Shop completed 2011 print service requests for a total of approximately 6.5 million impressions and over 7 thousand metal photo plates.

Some major print requests included:

- Change of commands
- IKE Life (Familygram)
- IKE Five Star Bulletin (Ship's newspaper)
- Welcome aboard pamphlet
- Ombudsmen newsletter
- Retirement programs
- IKE Damage Control Study Guide

The following is submitted for the recognition information:

IKE has an outstanding awards program. The awards process begins with every member being considered for an award. Each month the database is updated with the names of personnel transferring, retiring or separating within the upcoming six months. A memo is sent from either the XO (officers) or AO (enlisted) to each HOD asking what form of recognition each member deserves and will be submitted for. The memo is returned to the awards yeoman to begin the tracking process.

Additionally, the command encourages submissions for specific act Commanding Officer Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals. IKE is authorized 176 enlisted and 13 officer NAMs per fiscal year.

Recognition during the past 12 months included:

<u>Award</u>	<u>01 and above</u>	<u>E-7 - E-9</u>	<u>E-5 - E-6</u>	<u>E-1 - E-4</u>
MSM	8	2	0	0
NCM	45	83	43	0
NAM (higher authority)	14	24	155	87

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

NAM (CO)	17	37	160	60
LOC (flag level)	2	13	150	241
LOC (CO)	6	12	47	433
LOA (CO)	0	5	16	12
Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal	0	3	0	0
Meritorious CO Mast	0	0	1	0

Other forms of recognition used: Sailor of the Year, Sailor of the Quarter, Petty Officer of the Month, Blue Jacket of the Month, Sailor of the Day (Underway) and Advancement Ceremonies including Sailors being advanced to E-2 and E-3.

X-2 DIVISION -- PERSONNEL OFFICE

The Personnel Office staff performed the following during 1997:

- Passed the CINCLANTFLT Pay and Personnel Audit for the first time in 10 years.
- Maintained accurate accountability and verification of over 2900 enlisted service records.
- Implemented a six month tracking system to monitor EAOS/extensions, directly impacting the command's successful Retention Program inspection.
- Advanced two Personnelman under the Command Advancement Program
- Number of advancements from Navy-wide exam - 2.
- Completed the following transactions:

Separations	389
Reenlistments	288
Fleet Reserve transfers	48
Extensions of enlistments	326
Receipts	980
ID cards, active	2,287
ADMIN seps/discharges	132
Personal awards issued	2

X-3 DIVISION -- MORALE, WELFARE AND RECREATION

ACTIVITIES 1997 SOLD	LOCATION	COST	TICKETS
Summerslam Fest Saturday, 09 August	Busch Gardens	\$109,275	4029

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

IKE Christmas Party	Pavilion	\$40,580.23	837
Friday, 5 December	Convention		

IKE Children's Party	Norfolk Live	\$13,746	406
Sunday, 7 December			

Mezzanine Gym opening
Thursday, 29 January

Aft Gym renovated/reopened
Wednesday, 15 April

Forward Gym renovated/reopened
Monday, 27 April

X-4 DIVISION -- PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The IKE Public Affairs team was extremely active in 1997. As IKE transitioned out of Complex Overhaul in January, the pace of public affairs related activities increased geometrically. In the month of January, the IKE inport tour and underway embark programs were stood up and utilized almost immediately. In 1997, IKE played host to over 15,211 visitors.

The following are notable public affairs highlights from 1997:

JANUARY

Underway embarks	--	4 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>0</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	4

Notable Visits

- ADM Frank Bowman, Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion and staff embarked IKE during sea trials/post overhaul shakedown.

FEBRUARY

Underway embarks	--	0 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>543</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	543

Notable Visits

- Mr. Robert Thompson, Director for Anti-Air Warfare and Strike Air Programs from the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy's Office visited IKE while inport to tour his son's soccer team.
- RADM Paul Soderberg, Commander Navy Exchange Command visited IKE while inport to visit IKE's Ship's Stores.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- The IKE "Away Team" completed a four day trip to Gettysburg, PA to continue work at the Eisenhower National Historic Site. This was a chance for the new Public Affairs Officer, LCDR [REDACTED] to meet key players in this very noteworthy project.

MARCH

Underway embarks	--	32 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>144</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	176

Notable Visits

- Veterans of Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces (SHAEF) embarked IKE as part of a reunion of all living members.

APRIL

Underway embarks	--	78 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>4,285</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	4,363

Notable Visits

- BGEN Agha Ahmad Gul, Pakistan Army (Commandant of the Pakistan Joint Service Staff College) and 14 guests visited IKE while inport to tour the ship.

- Congressman Ed Whitfield (R-KY) and Mr. Ted Bereaux (GAO) embarked the ship for a day visit during the April underway period to give Congressman Whitfield a general orientation tour to include the reactor plant.

- BGEN John Cavanaugh, USA, Director for C4 Systems, USA Command visited IKE as a prelude to Fleet Week embark in May '97.

- 40 Fort Lauderdale Navy League DV's embark IKE and rode the ship into port.

- 10 CVX engineers embarked IKE for four days to complete an at-sea carrier orientation visit.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- IKE completes a four day port visit to Fort Lauderdale.

- IKE hosts 150 at reception for local Navy League/city officials.

- IKE hosts 3,350 visitors in two days of general public visitation.

- IKE hosts media onboard and captures favorable coverage from the local media.

MAY

Underway embarks	--	83 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>1,742</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	1,825

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

Notable Visits

- Secretary of the Navy, Honorable John Dalton, his spouse and 66 Distinguished Visitors embarked IKE for an RO1N to celebrate Fleet Week in New York City.
- RADM Bucchi, COMCARGRU 6 embarked IKE as official host for the Fleet Week visit.
- 12 members of the Joint Strike Fighter Team embarked IKE to complete a two day at-sea carrier orientation.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- IKE hosts 837 visitors during Memorial Day weekend while serving as the open house carrier on NOB Norfolk.

JUNE

Underway embarks	--	22 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>4,510</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	4,532

Notable Visits

- VADM (Ret.) Mandeville and 14 guests visited IKE while inport for a general tour.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- IKE hosts a reception for 150 Halifax, Nova Scotia dignitaries.
- IKE hosts 230 visitors during scheduled tours while in Halifax.
- IKE films "Good Morning Halifax" morning TV show live from the flight deck.
- IKE hosted 3,791 dependents and friends for the "Friends and Family Day" one day underway.

JULY

Underway embarks	--	180 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>27</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	207

Notable Visits

- 43 newly selected one-star flag officers embarked IKE as a part of the CAPSTONE program.
- The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, GEN John Shalikasvili and his spouse embarked IKE for a general carrier orientation visit.
- CINCLANTFLT, ADM J. Paul Reason and spouse embark IKE as the official escorts and hosts of CJCS and spouse.
- Senator Robert Torricelli (D-NJ) and members of the Washington think tank "Alexis De Tocqueville" embarked IKE for a general carrier orientation visit.
- Eight CVX engineers embarked IKE for a 4 day at-sea carrier orientation.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

AUGUST

Underway embarks	--	746 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>1,142</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	1,888

Notable Visits

- MAJ GEN David Weisman, USA, Deputy Director J5 (Politico-Military Affairs) embarked IKE in preparation for the NATO CHODS visit in September.
- MAJ GEN Adams (USMC Ret.) and 20 guests visited IKE inport for general orientation tour.
- VADM (Ret.) Ed Clextan, former IKE CO and eight guests visited IKE inport for general orientation tour.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- IKE completed a port visit to Mayport, Florida and hosts 947 visitors during general public touring.
- RADM Scott Fry relieves RADM James Hinkle as Commander, Cruiser-Destroyer Group Eight on August 29.
- IKE hosted a tiger cruise for approximately 700 dependents and friends.

SEPTEMBER

Underway embarks	--	79 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>217</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	296

Notable Visits

- CJCS and 16 NATO Chiefs of Defense embarked IKE as part of a fall tour package hosted by CJCS GEN Shalikasvili.
- RADM Stan Bryant, COMCARGRU FOUR and RADM Robert Sprigg (SACLANT rep.) embarked IKE as coordinators of the CJCS/CHODs visit.
- MAJ GEN Arancibia, (Chilean Army) Chilean National Academy of Strategic Policy Studies President along with 26 staff officers visited IKE inport for a general orientation tour.
- RADM Paul Tobin, Oceanography of the Navy, visited IKE to tour the METRO spaces.
- VADM (Ret.) Ed Clextan along with 12 guests visited IKE for a general orientation tour.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- The IKE "Away Team" completed a four day trip to Gettysburg, PA to continue work at the Eisenhower National Historic Site. This trip was headed by LCDR Art Slagle.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

OCTOBER

Underway embarks	--	0 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>900</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	900

Notable Visits

- BGEN David McGhee, USAF (Inspector General for Langley AFB) and three guests visited IKE inport for a general orientation tour.
- MAJ GEN Humphrey Njoroge, Kenyan Army (Senior Directing Staff of the Kenyan National Defense College) and three staff members visited IKE for a general orientation tour.
- ADM (Ret.) Paul David Miller hosted 25 Crestar Bank Executives aboard IKE for lunch and a general orientation tour while inport.
- VADM Ed Clexton and seven guests visited IKE for a general orientation tour.

NOVEMBER

Underway embarks	--	58 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>419</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	477

Notable Visits

- RADM David Ruble, USA COMM J-4 hosted the Joint Logistics Commanders Conference onboard IKE while underway.
- Mrs. Margaret Dalton (Mrs. SECNAV) hosted 11 congressional spouses aboard IKE while underway.
- Senator Michael Enzi (R-WY) embarked IKE while underway for a general CVN orientation visit.
- Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Mr. Rudy De Leon, visited IKE inport to discuss personnel and readiness issues with the commanding officer.

Significant Public Affairs Activities

- IKE completed a port visit to Nassau in the Bahamas and hosted 120 visitors for general orientation tour.
- IKE hosts a reception for 150 Nassau government officials and distinguished guests.
- IKE hosts the Nassau media for tour and interviews.

DECEMBER

Underway embarks	--	8 Distinguished Visitors
<u>Inport tours</u>	--	<u>25</u> Visitors
Total visitors hosted	--	33

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

For the calendar year 1997, IKE public affairs team also accomplished the following:

- Published 107 issues of the Five Star Bulletin, the ship's daily/weekly newspaper.
- Released 63 stories to Norfolk's Flagship newspaper: 41 were published (65%).
- Broadcasted over 100 training, schedule of events, and crew entertainment segments over the SITE TV system.
- Responded to over 60 fan mail letters.
- Successfully broadcasted over 4,000 hours of entertainment for the crew over SITE TV.

The IKE public affairs team will continue to take a proactive stance in 1998 in response to the ship's operational schedule.

X-5 DIVISION -- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OFFICE

The Educational Services Office serves as a "mini" Navy Campus. We have 2 accredited Testing Control Officer who administer and control a fully stocked DANTES library of examinations.

There were 133 personnel enrolled in local colleges and universities utilizing tuition Assistance.

ESO administered the following examinations:

- SAT	187
- CLEP	147
- GRE	11
- OAR	13
- ACT	18
- GMAT	10
- DLAB	24
- DSST	1

Upward mobility programs are solicited two months prior to established program deadlines. All programs are aggressively advertised by POD and command notice. Applications were submitted for the following programs:

- Broadened Opportunity for Officer Selection and Training	- 1
- Enlisted Commissioning Program (ECP)	5
- Chief Warrant Officer Program (CWO)	12
- Limited Duty Officer (LDO)	23
- Seaman to Admiral Program	2

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CONT.

ESO provides instructions for determining eligibility requirements for advancement, preparing necessary forms, ordering custody and disposition of Navy-wide examinations, administration of all examinations for advancement in rate, change in rating, and administration procedures for effecting advancements.

The breakdown by paygrade on IKE advancements for 1997 was:

E-9	4
E-8	2
E-7	15
E-6	30
E-5	119
E-4	209
SN	231
AN	432
FN	91

There were **22 E-4s**, **6 E-5s** and **2 E-6s** advanced under the Command Advancement Program in 1997.

As of 31 December, there were 104 crewmembers presently enrolled in the Navy Apprenticeship Program; 19 crewmembers completed the program in 1997.

There are 25 personnel onboard who have been identified as not having a high school diploma or equivalent. Ten are working on completing their GEDs.

X-6 DIVISION -- COMMAND CAREER COUNSELOR

In 1997, the Career Information Office processed over 1,500 enlisted personnel action requests. The following is a breakdown of the major requests:

- Reenlistments	399
- EAOS Extensions	122
- ENCORE	329
- Early Separations	31
- Enlisted TERA	17
- Fleet Reserve	82
- VSI/SSB	0
- School Requests	118
- Rate Conversions	18
- STAR/SCORE	22
- Spouse Collocations	41

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

LEGAL ADMIN DIVISION

The Legal Department handled the following number of cases during 1997:

- Summary Courts-Martial	66
- Special Courts-Martial	23
- General Courts-Martial	4
- Article 32 Investigation	5
- Non-Judicial Punishments	223
- Administrative Separations	164
- JAGMAN Investigations	9
- Powers of Attorney/Wills	309
- Claims for lost/damaged personal property	20
- Drug cases	42

SECURITY DIVISION

Security Division handled the following number of cases during 1997:

- TOTAL CASES	185
- Larceny (unsecured)	58
- Larceny (secured)	23
- Assaults	14
- Drugs	12
- All Other	78
- Fingerprints for clearances	156

BRIG DIVISION

Brig Division handled the following number of confinees during 1997:

- Total individuals confined	65
Males	64
Females	1
- Reason for detaining:	
NJP (Bread & Water)	29
Summary Courts-Martial Convictions	36

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

During this past year, IKE's Medical Department matured as an operational unit aboard the ship. The emphasis was on training as the many assist teams rotated aboard IKE to ensure battle readiness of all its units. At the same time, the department continued to provide outstanding medical care to the crew of IKE and the deployed air wing.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT, CONT.

The following is a list of accomplishments over the past year:

- Sick Call Visits	9,383	
- After Hours Visits	1,484	
- Physical Exams		
Flight	89	
Flight Deck Screens	469	
- Overseas Screens	34	
- Periodic Physicals	269	
- Radiation Health	213	
- Reenlistment Screens	35	
- Separation	594	
- Special Programs	98	
- Transfer/Retirement	35	
- Surgical Procedures		
Outpatient	231	
Inpatient	18	
- Admissions		
Ward	75	
ICU	9	
Consultations	764	
- Ancillary Services		
X-ray Exposures	2,140	
Lab Procedures	16,946	
Pharmacy Prescriptions	15,627	
Audiograms	1,369	
- Preventive Medicine		
Immunizations	1,911	
PPD Tests Given	1,541	
PPD Tests Read	1,349	(88%)
Birthmonth Recall Due	2,144	
Birthmonth Recall Seen	1,904	(89%)
Inspections	3,840	
Respiratory Physicals	588	
Food Service Physicals	447	
Asbestos Physicals	27	
Lead Physicals	17	
STD Workups	149	
MRT Deployments	46	
Eyewear Made Onboard	790	
Eyewear Ordered	232	
PRT Screens	93	
PAPS	233	
- Command and Departmental Inspections:		
3M/QA	97%	
Medical Readiness Assessment	SAT	
Final Evaluation Phase	96%	
ORSE (Radiation Health)	Average +	

NAVIGATION DEPARTMENT

Calendar year 1997 marked a challenging and exciting period for the Navigation Department. After completing an 18-month Complex Overhaul in January, IKE set sail for the high seas and Sea Trials. This marked the first of fifteen underway events for the year. With a young and inexperienced crew of Quartermasters and Signalmen, the department achieved the following:

- Underway Events - Safely executed 40 special sea and anchor details through piloting waters.
- Safely executed 11 underway replenishment details, including the first night approach in over two years.
- Made 4 port visits: Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Mayport, FL; and Nassau, Bahamas.
- Steamed over 12,000 nautical miles.
- Milestones:
 - Successfully completed Sea Trials
 - Carrier Assessment for Readiness and Training II, Tailored Ship's Training Availability I, II, & III, and Final Evaluations Problem.

Overhaul also delivered two new navigation systems to the bridge:

- Electronic Chart Display Information System - ECDIS. A commercial off-the-shelf system by Raytheon which integrates electronic navigation system and gyrocompass inputs with electronic nautical charts to provide a real time display of own ship's position. Using vector based electronic chart data (the entire world of nautical charts on two CD-ROMs), ECDIS provides the Navigator with invaluable situational awareness during restricted waters piloting, operational area management and back-up to traditional navigation systems. The main system, located on the Bridge, is accompanied by a separate chart station for off-line planning and three remote displays for the Bridge and Tactical Operations Plot (TOP). In April, ECDIS' effectiveness was validated by a low visibility (less than 1/8 mile) anchorage in Norfolk Harbor Reach, to within 25 yards of desired position, using no visual or radar navigation aids.

- Ship Control Display System. Traditional analog gauges for ship control (such as course, speed, engine rpm and rudder angle) were removed from the bridge during overhaul and replaced with a computerized display system. Two separate, but redundant, computers integrate ship control inputs and feed information to seven flat panel displays located around the Bridge & Aux. Conn. Each is capable of displaying information in different page formats for normal steaming, flight operations and underway replenishments. Wind information is displayed as true, relative or head-wind and cross-wind components (in digital and bar graph form).

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

Operations Department continues to project forward amidst changes in environment, personnel, and mission focus. In the last several months, Operations Department has weathered the transition from shipyard COH efforts to a more operational posture. Highlights include:

TESCO

After 19 months of being scattered around the ship during IKE's COH period, OA division's emphasis is with the fundamentals, "A School" revisited.

- January 1997. Spring fog from Virginia to Halifax, Nova Scotia and forecasts from only satellite data, led to the official release, via message traffic, claiming IKE's OA Division as "The world's most proficient satellite meteorologists."

- Spring 1997. Received a score of "EXCELLENT" on the CART II Assessment.

- Summer 1997. Visits by NATO CHODS, Senators and other dignitaries gave the forecaster and observers the chance to show off their pride and skills.

- Fall 1997. AGCS(AW) [REDACTED] retired. AG1(AW) [REDACTED] was promoted to Chief Aerographer's Mate. COMP-EXs complete with 99% average. Received the latest technology for the Tactical Environmental Support System (TESS), the next century (NC) Transition, which allowed the expansion of support products and SIPRNET data transfer.

- Winter 1997. Airman [REDACTED] (AG Striker) designated AG3.

AIROPS

Carrier Air Traffic Control Center (CATCC) supported the air wing with numerous carrier qualifications.

- Successfully passed operational readiness assessments, designated "mission ready" upon completion of CATCC proficiency certification (post overhaul), TSTA evaluations and CART II.

- CATCC 69 attended one team training period in NATTC Pensacola, receiving a 95.2 team average from the CV NATOPS exam and a grade of 96 from the Final Lab.

- Promotions/Advancements. Officers - ENS [REDACTED] was promoted to LTJG and LT [REDACTED] was selected for LCDR. Enlisted - AC1(AW/SW) [REDACTED] was commissioned to ENS under the LDO Program. AC1(AW) [REDACTED] was promoted to Chief Air Traffic Controller. 65% advancement of eligible E-6 and below personnel.

- Operations

-- sorties flown:	4447
-- day:	3214
-- night:	1233
-- traps:	8699
-- day:	7043

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT, CONT.

-- night:	1656
-- boarding rate:	92%
-- Precision Approach Landing Systems (PALS) approaches	
Mode I:	73
Mode IA:	7
Mode II:	1760
Mode III:	202
ILS:	465
ISR:	109
-- ATO	
Passengers:	2300
Cargo:	60,000 lbs.

OI Division

- Welcomed 41 new personnel
 - 100 graduates from 14 schools. 13 Operations Specialists graduated from NEC producing schools including: Air Intercept Control Supervisor (AICS), Anti-submarine Tactical Air Controller (ASTAC), Joint Maritime Communication Information System (JMCIS) and AN/SYS-2 System Operator.
 - Advanced 16 personnel to the next higher paygrade
 - Operationally tested and evaluated the following systems:
 - ACDS Blk I
 - C2P Model 5
 - LINK 16
 - Satellite LINK 11
 - Cooperative Engagement Capability
- STRIKE OPS

In 1997, IKE developed into the world's finest warship and Strike Operations was intimately involved in that renaissance. Strike OPS planned and scheduled all operational line periods and at sea training evolutions during 1997, beginning with Sea Trials and continuing through many Fleet and training command carrier qualification periods and concluding the year with TSTA I, II, III and FEP.

- Strike OPS generated daily Air Plans, Air Tasking Orders, and Green Sheets, weekly Pink Sheets, and monthly Gold Sheets. While at sea, Strike OPS produced a daily OPREP-5 message that told the world the key elements of that day's operations. Strike OPS arranged all underway replenishments, port visit clearances, and LOGREQs.

- Strike OPS received several equipment upgrades to assist in these accomplishments, most notably Contingency Theater Air Planning System (CTAPS). CTAPS brings IKE an interface with the Joint Forces Air Component Commander (JFACC). While CTAPS is used as a planning tool to develop Battle Group ATOs, IKE's Strike OPS didn't wait for the install and began producing BG ATOs during TSTA I.

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Strike OPS was lead department for the joint IKE/CVW-17 Mine Readiness Certification Inspection (MRCI) in December. During the inspection, Strike OPS flawlessly prepared ten Quickstrike Build Sheets in 16 minutes, fastest this year in AIRLANT, and received an overall grade of "outstanding."

OT Division

- Completed four major ASW exercises, including ZIPPEREX 97, Multi-national MARCOT '97 and Bear Trap '97 on ship noise evaluation.

- Upgraded equipment installations completed included:

- ARR-84 Sonobuoy Receiver System
- SSN-7 Shipboard Tactical Data System
- (3) OJ-707A(V)/SQQ-34 Tactical Consoles
- UQX-5 Fast Time Analyzer 4.3 System Upgrade
- AN GSH-65(V) Multi-purpose Reproducer Set (SRS)

OW Division

- Accomplishments

-- Earned a 100 percent average on scenarios during the FEP period.

-- During Battle E, accomplished a score of 98% on scenarios performed.

-- CSSR was done and all of the electronic warfare systems passed with excellence.

-- During TSTA I, II and III, electronic warfare scored an overall of 95% on exercises given.

- Installations

-- April 1997, completed installation of the SLQ-32.

-- JMCIS was installed in module along with STRED.

-- Two new computers were installed, which upgraded the proficiency of the module.

CVIC/Intel Branch

- Completed overhaul and became an operational asset in 1997. Intensive basic training led to outstanding performance during the CART II, TSTA I/II/III/FEP evaluations. Scores were consistently above Fleet average, and integration among the Intel workcenters and the warfare modules was cited as superb. One of IKE's Intelligence Specialist earned the highest grade ever received in LANTFLT for the intelligence capabilities exam.

- Advanced C4I systems were installed to support intelligence functions and exploit national resources. Systems included:

JMCIS (Genser and SCI)

Top Scene

JDISS

PTW

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT, CONT.

STRED
23 TV
TAMPS
GALE LITE
SIPRNET Genser LAN

APS (DIWSA, MDS, TPSA)
JSIPS-N
VEXCELL Scanner
DI TARPS
TSCM

- Refurbishments

-- OZ workcenters were completely reconfigured and refurbished. OZ Admin was relocated and outfitted with NAVMACs. IO Office was a ship's force self-help project.

-- Mission Briefing was refurbished with 23 TV, JMCIS, and Secret LAN access.

-- EDP was totally revamped to house JMCIS, TAMPS, and Secret LAN servers.

-- STRIKE Planning and Analysis became a reality after a significant renovation and lead removal process. The center now houses state of the art tools to support STRIKE planning and Sea Combat Commander planning.

-- MSI moved to the old CAG Admin office and become a separate SCIF, housing JSIPS, SCI JMCIS and JDISS.

TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Operational Training Department. Designated ON Division this year. Started the year with a plan for success embodied in meticulous asset management and an aggressive training schedule.

- The planned reorganization of IKE's Training staff took effect in August. The Training Department came under the Operations Department's organization while concurrently transferring DAPA and EOPS to the Executive Department. This re-organization focused much greater emphasis on combat driven, coordinated ship-wide training. End result, IKE Training took on a new life and drove forward with a number of innovative and highly effective training programs.

- Throughout all phases of the year-long, 1997 pre-deployment training cycle, IKE Training continuously pushed the envelope of the crew's training readiness and proficiency in an all out effort to ready IKE for deployment and success in battle.

- TAD Budget Manager: Responsible for creating cost and no-cost orders while managing all associated funds.

- 460 cost and 1,550 no-cost orders that sent Sailors to school and in-rate training.

- Familiarization and Indoctrination (FAM & I) Classes processed 923 personnel. During this course, each student obtained their Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) qualification and basic training on their Personnel Qualification Standards for Damage Control and Maintenance and Material Management (3M).

TRAINING DEPARTMENT, CONT.

Also, annual requirements for Radiation Control, Electrical Safety, Career Information, Anti-terrorism and Navy Rights and Responsibilities were achieved. IKE's Commanding Officer, Executive Officer and Command Master Chief each provided a welcome aboard brief covering all command policies. FAM & I is designed to effectively and efficiently prepare Sailors in their transition to IKE. Three reserve units and 310 personnel are assigned with whom FAM & I coordinated their active duty training. Ship Riders brief was given to 376 various personnel temporarily embarked.

- Integrated Training Team (ITT): Coordinated by IKE Integrated Training Team (ITT) Organization, reached new heights by developing coordinating and executing "the most realistic and comprehensive ship-wide training evolutions" Fleet evaluators had ever observed. The ITT Organization included not only the standard warfare area training teams but was expanded to cover every department including Legal/Safety, and Religious Ministries, integrating real-life factors at a level normally not considered. IKE ITT's approach proved to be the formula of success by acing all stages and assessments covered during the 1997 pre-deployment training cycle.

- Next generation aircraft carrier (CVX) program: IKE Training coordinates the unique CVX engineer/manager hosting program. During 1997, IKE Training hosted over 50 CVX program representatives and contact engineers at sea, providing the designers with the invaluable experience of first-hand exposure to carrier challenges and life. IKE's CVX hosting initiative is praised across the board by all CVX visitors as the single most productive experience conducive to forging ideas into design reality. In a similar vein, IKE Training also coordinates a similar Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) hosting program. Over 25 engineers and JSF program representatives have benefited from the unparalleled experience of interacting with the end user and observing the environment in which their design will ultimately have to perform.

- Enlisted Sponsor Program: Between January and December 1997, IKE's Command Sponsor Program provided a sponsor/mentor for each of the 923 enlisted personnel who joined the IKE family. IKE's program was tailored to provided new members and their families with the quality information critical to a smooth transition from their former command/location to the Norfolk area and IKE. Information on housing, entertainment, and special programs available through the Family Service Center are all packed and sent off in advance, as well as the methods of contracting the command and the assigned sponsor. The sponsor then directly assists with check-in and familiarization of the local area as needed.

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RELIGIOUS MINISTRIES

The Religious Ministries Department provides the best Command Religious Program afloat. With its newly renovated spaces fully operational, IKE Sailors have opportunities for worship, study, entertainment and relaxation. In addition to a whole new look to the spaces, several personnel have joined the staff. RP2 [REDACTED] joined IKE from Naval Weapons Station Yorktown, VA.

Temporarily assigned personnel to Religious Ministries during 1997 were: AN [REDACTED], AN [REDACTED], AN [REDACTED], AN [REDACTED], HN [REDACTED], AR [REDACTED] and AR [REDACTED]. LT [REDACTED] embarked as CVW 17's Chaplain. Chaplain [REDACTED] joined CVW 17 following tours at Naval Amphibious Base Little Creek, VA and the Aegis Cruiser USS NORMANDY (CG 60).

Among the most notable accomplishments were:

- Opening the Library Multimedia Resource Center (LMRC) which has a computer bank with six new Pentium 133 MHZ computers equipped with Microsoft Office and CD-ROM drives for games and educational programs. Internet with E-mail capabilities is forthcoming. Over 100 CD-ROM disks are available to Sailors.

- A library having 4000 hardback books, over 300 paperback books, 90 periodicals, 5 newspapers, and 400 video movies. Established a CNO/MCPON reading list library section. Six TV/VCR units are available for private viewing of movies.

RELIGIOUS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Opened a phone center with six Sailor Phones making calls home more affordable.

- Coordinated two Adopt-A-School Programs, JACOX Elementary School, Norfolk; and Booker T. Washington Middle School, Newport News. Both were very successful in reaching young people with the opportunities for improving themselves in education.

- Coordinated a "Friends of the Norfolk Juvenile Court Mentoring Program," where wards of the court are matched with a positive role model mentor in a one-on-one setting.

- Coordinated Community Relations Projects (COMREL) in Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Halifax, Nova Scotia and Nassau, Bahamas. Projects included:

- Cleanup and maintenance at a Girl Scout Camp.

- Painting and repairs to a home for abused children.

- Painting and restoration on a 200 year old church.

- Yard cleanup, carpentry and painting at a home for the aged.

- Painting and building repairs at a children's emergency hostel.

- Conducted 24 FAM & I orientations on Religious Ministries to include an overview of suicide awareness and prevention.

- Conducted chapel/space orientations to numerous Distinguished Visitors (DVs) to include the Secretary of the Navy and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

- IKE Chaplains conducted five burials at sea of cremains and 1 casket.

Of special note is the IKE Chapel, with its unique design and motif which represents an inner sanctum where God's fullness can be found. CDR [REDACTED], USNR, a Guilder, who specializes in the restoration of 18th century homes was the project designer and key renovator. His creative insights talents were recognized by the Navy for his renovation of the USS JOHN F. KENNEDY's Chapel. CDR [REDACTED]'s vision "was to take you to a very different place... to a chapel that didn't look like it was part of a ship." The chapel walls are painted the color of beach sand and there are brown tinted blocks of stone and columns, giving it the appearance of a small brick house in the Mediterranean. The apse hosts a lighted, circular five star design symbolizing General Eisenhower's rank. A drop ceiling. new lighting and carpet added the finishing touch. The Chapel truly represents a "place of peace and respite." With the Chapel fully operational IKE Sailors experienced many opportunities for worship, prayer and study. Opportunities at sea and inport included:

- *Inport services:*

- Roman Catholic Mass Sunday- Friday

- Protestant Sunday Service.

- *At-sea services:*

- Roman Catholic Mass twice daily

RELIGIOUS MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Roman Catholic Adult Education (RCIA) Monday-Saturday
- Protestant Bible studies twice daily
- Seventh-Day Adventist Friday evening and Sabbath morning services

- Gospel service Sunday evening
- Gospel Bible study Wednesday evening
- Jewish Service on Friday evening by Rabbi Seth Phillips

when embarked

- Lay Jewish service on Friday evening
- Lay Protestant Bible study daily
- Lay Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS)

Sunday service

Additionally, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society HRA and shipboard office handled over 275 cases in 1997, with loans totaling in excess of \$170,000. Religious Ministries Department personnel processed 790 AMCROSS messages.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT

The Safety Department's mission is to ensure that the crewmembers are afforded a safe and healthy working and living environment. This mission was accomplished in 1997 through the following activities:

- Conducted monthly Officer Safety Council and Enlisted Safety Committee meetings.

- Provided three hours of safety indoctrination to 21 Familiarization and Indoctrination (FAM&I) classes totaling over 900 students.

- Briefed 376 shipriders on shipboard safety in a newly developed program for overnight shipriders.

- Organized 7 safety standdowns ranging in topics from flight deck, shipboard and recreation safety in conjunction with port visits.

- Arranged a Virginia State Police Trooper lecture on traffic safety during a safety standdown.

- Coordinated 2 wrecked vehicle displays on the pier during major holiday periods.

- Completed the ship's baseline industrial hygiene survey.

- Completed annual ship space survey of over 3000 compartments.

- Provided safety observers for all notable evolutions onboard
IKE examples: flight ops, FAS/RAS, VERTREP, and weapons onloads.

- Coordinated weekly HAZMAT spill drills.

- Provided training to the wardroom on Operational Risk Management.

SAFETY DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Monitored IKE's Safe Ride Home Program allowing Sailors who find themselves in need of a ride home due to unforeseen circumstances to call a local cab and pay for the fare at a later date. Conducted respiratory protection training for 765 crewmembers. Coordinated a safety audit of the entire ship by the Naval Safety Center. Investigated 985 mishaps, 75 of which were reported through Naval message to the Naval Safety Center.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT

- Hosted numerous distinguished visitor dinners and showpiece receptions for an assortment of high level officials and dignitaries which included: Secretary of the Navy, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff, the sixteen NATO Chiefs of Defense, Joint Logistics Commanders Conference participants, all Port Everglade and Fort Lauderdale Navy League representatives, Halifax, Nova Scotia U.S. Ambassador, and the Prime Minister of The Bahamas.

- Completed two phases of AIRLANT Afloat Supply Management Assist (ASMAT) visits in September and December. AIRLANT inspectors commented that "The Supply Department is well on its way to a highly successful Supply Management Assessment next February."

- Retail Operations Division was nominated as a finalist for the "Best Sales and Service Award." During 1997 over 9,000 haircuts were performed, 75,700 cans of soda sold, and 2,340,000 lbs. of laundry washed. Over \$290,000 in Ships Store profits were transferred to MWR.

- Disbursing Division achieved a grade of outstanding during an April CINCLANTFLT on-site audit. They were commended as being "the best Disbursing Operation in the Atlantic Fleet."

- Upgraded Quality of Life in the General Mess by installing wood grain style cabinetry, neon signs, menu boards, re-laminating all mess tables and hanging decorative curtains. Overall, more than ½ million dollars in habitability and equipment upgrades were installed in Crew's Mess.

- Implemented the CAFÉ 69, which has become a new concept in messing. Ice cream socials, crawfish boil pickin, seafood dinners and crab leg feasts were commonly served to satisfy the appetite of every sea going Blue Jacket.

- In Halifax, Nova Scotia and Nassau, Bahamas the CAFÉ 69 went ashore to support Fleet Landing with fast food served in the afternoon and throughout the night. Burgers, nachos, hot dogs, sandwiches, and other goodies were the bill of fare enjoyed by all.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- Hats off to all IKE Food Service divisions for fully supporting the famous IKEFEST Dependents Cruise in June. Over 7,000 dependents were served breakfast, lunch, and dinner throughout the day.

- In June a ribbon cutting ceremony was held for the newly configured Logistics Support Center (LSC). LSC is a one stop shopping outlet for all COSAL, tech library, open purchase IMPAC credit card and CASREP processing needs.

- The Post Office introduced the first Postal Commodity machine to the crew. Non stop 24-hour service for: stamp books, priority mail stamps, paid postage cards and envelopes became available. During the year, the Postal team processed over 800,000 lbs. of mail, delivered over 450,000 letters and was recognized by AIRLANT as the best Postal Operation on the waterfront.

- At 100% inventory validity, Aviation Stores Division provided the "Right Stuff" to all IKE squadron customers 24 hours a day underway maintaining a 100% repairable inventory validity. During work-ups, an average of just 3 off-ship non mission capable for supply (NMCS) and partial mission capable for supply (PMCS) high priority off ship requisitions were processed daily. The AIRLANT average for most aircraft carriers is 10. In addition, AVCAL Range and Depth percentages of 94%/91% for TSTA I, II, III and FEP also exceeded AIRLANT goal of 85%/82%.

- HAZMAT Division implemented a plastic processing program to meet the environmental needs and government restrictions set on Naval ships. One plastic process cycle will reduce 20 bags of plastic to a 3 foot diameter plastic puck for storage and ultimate pier side disposal.

- Material Division exceeded all AIRLANT inventory validity goals for the year. Managing over 58,000 line items of consumable material for the ship and air wing, their efforts immensely supported all IKE maintenance personnel with the "Right Stuff." CNAL ASMAT inspectors noted they had not seen inventory accuracy so outstanding at such an early stage of the work-up cycle.

- Pier services throughout the year were nothing short of outstanding. In the heat of the summer or the rainy cold of the winter, Material Division pier services were always there to load or offload material at a moment's notice.

WEAPONS DEPARTMENT

Throughout 1997, Weapons Department concentrated on elevator maintenance, magazine and support equipment refurbishment as well as training and licensing. Since the complex overhaul, Weaponeers have been constantly training on ordnance handling procedures and completing necessary qualifications to meet operational readiness. Major milestones completed are as follows:

WEAPONS DEPARTMENT, CONT.

- To meet the requirements of ordnance evolutions, the Ordnance Qual/Cert program was revamped and re-instituted allowing 85 percent of Weaponeer's certification.

- G-4 personnel performed over 1600 preventative maintenance actions and 300 repairs on ten weapons elevators ensuring that newly installed electromagnetic relays and associated equipment were within operating limits. This allowed for 30 hours of non-stop elevator runs during the ammunition onload.

- Qualified 136 weapons elevator operators in the new electromagnetic relay system.

- Mobile Ordnance Training Team onboard training of over 230 personnel aided in the certification process of Weaponeers as well as provided invaluable refresher training.

- Established a unique Quality Assurance Division to audit/monitor departmental programs and report progress. The establishment of QA ensured that all divisions within Weapons Department were on even keel with various programs such as training, qual/cert, CPR, technical publications, forklift licensing and tool control.

- Provided weapons assembly support for CVW 17 and CVWR 20 during Orange Air exercises in NAS Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico. A total of 670,000 pounds of high explosive ordnance was assembled safely and delivered on time.

- During the CART II inspection, IKE's .50 Caliber gun teams were rated as the "best on the water front."

- Incorporated Retail Ordnance Logistic Management System (ROLMS). This new system increased the tracking and reporting procedures of all ammunition onboard.

- Completed Shipboard Explosive Safety Inspection with minimal findings.

- An outstanding departmental grade of 96 percent was received for 3M inspection.

- Completed the Mine Readiness Certification. IKE's Weapons Department was the first to pass this inspection with no prior technical assist visit.

- The deployment ammunition onload was a complete success. The Weapons Department far exceeded all expectations during this 1700 lift evolution in which 3.3 million pounds of ammunition was received via VERTREP/CONREP in less than 30 hours. IKE returned to port one day ahead of schedule because of the tremendous efforts to safely store all ammunition in magazines.

IKE's Weapons Department has far exceeded any and all expectations during 1997 and will continue to set the precedence in 1998 through proper training and experienced leadership.

3M/QA DEPARTMENT

During 1997, 3M/QA noted the following accomplishments:

3M:

- Developed and implemented an accurate weekly PMS Recorded Accomplishment Rate report for 156 workcenters.
- Developed and implemented databases allowing accurate tracking of 3M Qualifications and Technical Feedback Reports.
- Brought advanced 3M training online to provide critical knowledge and skills for senior divisional/departamental personnel.
- Through positive interaction with all 3M personnel, improved PMS accomplishment rates throughout the ship. Recorded PMS accomplishment rates increased by 5% ship-wide.
- Validated the Consolidated Ship's Maintenance Program (CSMP) ensuring 100% accuracy in ship's repair and maintenance jobs.
- Installed and activated OMMS/SUADPS interface.
- Standardized 29 Combat Systems workcenters and converted over 500 associated maintenance/repair jobs in the OMMS database.
- Successfully completed two COMNAVAIRLANT 3M Assist Visits.
- Achieved an unprecedented grade of 93.9% on COMNAVAIRLANT 3M Inspection. This was the highest grade the ship has ever obtained.

QA:

- Developed a specialized Zone Inspection Program allowing for more indepth, accurate zone inspections ship-wide.
- Implemented the Joint Fleet Maintenance Manual Quality Assurance Program ship-wide. Significantly increasing the quality of maintenance and operational readiness.
- Effectively merged the Nuclear and Non-Nuclear Quality Assurance Programs.
- Developed and implemented a shipboard standard for Controlled Work Packages (CWP) and Formal Work Procedures. Reviewed and issued over 100 complex CWPs.
- Developed and implemented a Quality Assurance Surveillance Program. Significantly improving ships operation, safety, and maintenance.
- Trained and requalified all shipboard Quality Assurance Inspectors (QAI), Controlled Material Petty Officers (CMPO), Steam Plant Cleanliness Inspectors (SCI), and Reactor Plant Cleanliness Inspectors (RCI).
- Completed two Nuclear Power Mobile Training Team and one Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board administrative reviews with very successful results.
- Completed a highly successful COMNAVAIRLANT Quality Assurance Audit.