

'M' Branchers' spirit and pride seen in BEQ

The "M" branchers have spirit and pride. If you don't believe it take a few minutes and have a look at the third deck, east wing of BEQ 1082.

In September the students of the Class "A" Cryptologic Maintenance Course moved into the rooms on the third deck of BEQ 1082 which had previously been used as transient rooms. A lot of hard work and ingenuity went into fixing up the area.

The school was secured for

an afternoon and all hands (27 students and five staff members, including the Chief Instructor) participated in a complete field day. CTMC Louis Hobson spearheaded the group effort to get bunk lights working, locker doors rehung, entrance door vents bolted on and venetian blinds put back up. Next they turned their attention to the T.V. lounge and passageways. They donated the money for some paint and re-

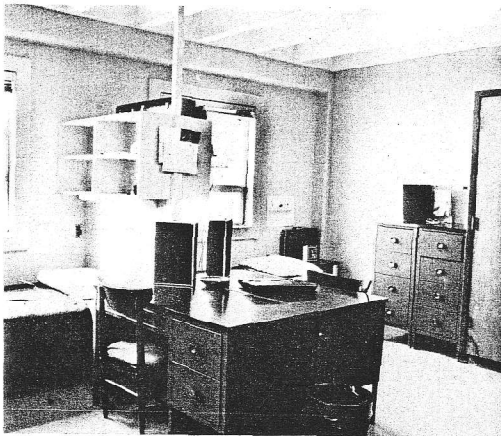
ceived permission to paint the walls, and did it. CTM3's C.C. Moreland and Dennis Mickelson put their skills (and their own money) to work and painted what has become the symbol of the "M" Branch School -- the Dragon -- on the north wall. This extra effort inspired other school staff members to put their accumulated years of talent to work and various furniture items began to appear. Because some of these items required repair, the "M" branchers volunteered, and the job was done.

Just after Christmas an additional collection of personal money was made, colors were selected, paint was procured; the passageways were painted.

One thing is very obvious, the students of the Crypto Maintenance Course have a lot of pride and spirit. They made constructive suggestions and did something to improve things.

Something else is readily apparent and that is the Crypto Maintenance Course Manager, CTMC Frank Whitbeck, and the instructors Chief Hobson, CTMC Clifton Brooks, CTM1 Lawrence Notvest, CTM1 John Reina, CTM1 Bartlett Curtis, CTM1 James Rhodes and PO1 Schick are also concerned about the condition of the living quarters for their men. They've done something extra; not a single field day, painting party, or work detail has taken place without supervision by at least one staff member. (Ninety per cent of these have been outside normal working hours.)

All the "M" branchers associated with the Crypto Maintenance Course have a good thing going for them -- spirit and pride!



This room is typical of the "squared-away" rooms in the "M" Branch living quarters. (Log photo by Chris Livingston)



Be my Valentine?

CTOSA Shelley Burkholder gets the "cold-shoulder" from Robbie McPhearson as she attempts to give him a Valentine. Robbie is the son of CTMCM D.L. McPhearson. Shelley is an "O" Branch honor graduate, finishing the now shortened "O" Branch Course in 33 days. She now stands watch in the "O" Branch, is a Corry Station band member, and works part time as a waitress in the Navarin Club. (Log photo by Chris Livingston)

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CTM3 Dennis Mickelson (left) and CTM3 Dennis Moreland paint "M" Branch symbol on the north wall.

Answers schooling questions

Educational advisor counsels personee

Miss Diane Owens is one of several qualified guidance counselors employed by the U.S. Navy as an Educational Advisor.

The present function of the Navy Educational Advisor is to assist Navy education offices in advising military personnel of educational requirements for various Navy programs and to help advise military personnel and their dependents on educational opportunities at local educational institutions.

Miss Owens, who served as an Air Force Educational Counselor at MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida, prior to coming to NAS Pensacola, holds a Masters Degree in Guidance and Counseling. She has experience in the public school system as a high school English teacher and as a high school guidance counselor. Diane served for a short while as a resident counselor at Stevens College, Columbia, Missouri, and while at MacDill AFB taught a freshman English class in the night program for Saint Leo College.

Miss Owens will be available for counseling Monday, February 11, from 8 a.m. to noon in the station library on an appointment or walk in basis. Personnel interested in talking with Miss Owens are urged to contact the Educational Services Office at 452-6536 to schedule an appointment.



Diane Owens

The search is on

1974 Military Wife of the Year

Five women will wear the title of Military Wife of the Year in 1974.

And in Pensacola the search is on for a nominee who may become the Navy's choice to bear that title.

Now in its eighth year, the military wife contest will this year honor women whose husbands serve in the five armed forces, the Navy, Air Force, Army, Marines and Coast Guard. It is estimated that 1.5 million wives of servicemen are eligible for the annual contest, which focuses attention on the involvement of service wives in public service programs at local, national and international levels.

The five wives and their husbands will be honored at a banquet in Washington in May and then will tour bases in a series of public appearances.

The Military Wife of the Year program publicly recognizes the contributions of Navy wives, particularly in the civilian community. This recognition substantially improves the public's impression of military families and reinforces the self-esteem and motivation toward public service of Navy wives.

The Chief of Naval Education and Training (CNET, Code 010) will select the nominees to represent Sub-Area Delta at the Sixth Naval District level.

Marine Corps wives nominations are submitted for separate selection made directly through

U.S. Marine Corps channels.

Qualifications for entries are:

(1) Her voluntary activities should include programs that further people-to-people relationships and objectives that serve to better mankind.

(2) She should be poised and articulate capable of speaking before large audiences; relate her story and that of the Navy community.

(3) All entries must be submitted on official Entry Forms and should be accompanied by a recent 8"X10" black and white photograph of nominee.

Any Navy-connected organization -- e.g., local Navy-wives club -- may originate a nomination and forward it directly to the command officer of an appropriate activity.

Although club affiliation is desirable, nominations may be submitted by individuals in circumstances where no formal organizations have formed.

Additional information and official forms be obtained from the CNET Public Affairs office at NAS Pensacola (452-3813 or AUTO 922-3613).

Each year since 1967, Stokely-Van Camp, Inc. has sponsored and Harrell International, Inc. has produced the Military Wife of the Year Awards Program with the cooperation of Department of Defense.