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NAVY RELIEF

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Every May 4 through June 6, in commemoration of the Navy and Marine Corps' battles of Coral Sea and Midway, the Navy Relief Society conducts a fund drive.

Last year, the Navy Relief Society collected more than \$2.3 million in donations from Navy and Marine Corps people.

Last year, also, Navy Relief spent just under \$6 million helping Navy and Marine Corps active duty and retired personnel, their dependents or surviving spouses and children when they were in need.

Where did the other \$3.6 million come from? Most of it came from the people who were helped by the Navy Relief Society. Repayment of interest free loans accounts for a good portion of the Society's yearly income.

Every cent of that money and the money donated to Navy Relief is used to help shipmates. That is quite an achievement since the Navy Relief Society has about 200 paid employees at 124 offices. But the money to cover salaries, phone bills and other operating costs comes from a reserve fund - a fund which makes the Society unique. No other organization of its kind is able to support itself to the extent the Navy Relief Society does.

This reserve fund had its beginning during World War II, when a New York businessman began a nationwide civilian fund drive for the Navy Relief Society. About \$10 million was collected for the relief of sailors and Marines in financial need. Most of that money was spent during the war, but not all of it.

The remaining dollars were invested. Dividends from those investments have been paying operation costs for the Navy Relief Society ever since.

Navy Relief has helped countless people with a variety of services. Some of these include out-right grants of money, interest-free loans for emergencies or for college or vocational educations for dependent children, money management counseling and referrals, babysitting, grocery shopping or just visiting.

Navy Relief offices and branches sponsor many programs to aid sailors and Marines and their families. Lately, many have been directing their efforts toward the elderly and incapacitated. Some provide transportation for people who cannot get about easily. Other offices bring medical attention to the housebound through the visiting nurse program.

Volunteers (there are about 3,000 of them) also operate thrift shops where clothes and essentials are available at especially low prices.

Every sailor and Marine can get help when he or she needs it. In areas where there is no Navy Relief activity, the American Red Cross acts as contact. Commanding officers ashore and afloat can also arrange for Navy Relief support.

When the Navy Relief Society comes calling for contributions be a shipmate.



HN Sheila Williams from the Branch Clinic was selected on Monday, 10 April 1978, as one of 5 finalists in the annual Navy Memphis Navy Relief Queen Contest.

Sheila is a pretty blue-eyed blonde of 5'2" stature; other vital statistics censored. She is a native of the Memphis area, having attended Westwood High School and one year at the Northwest Junior College Senatobia, Ms. Her hobbies are swimming and dancing, along with jogging. She is also a member of the 'Stars & Strikes'.

Sheila is our candidate at NRMC. We can support her as our queen candidate by purchasing a book of Navy Relief Tickets (6 for \$5), giving Sheila 6 votes and becoming eligible for some great prizes in a drawing to be held in June. More details on the prizes and grand celebration will be furnished later.

Only a hundred percent effort on our part can help the Navy Relief Society here at Navy Memphis and our candidate Sheila Williams attain their goals in this very worth while 1978 Navy Relief Fund Drive.

To purchase tickets, contact LT R. Williams in the Outpatient Department (5941/602).

Vote - "E"

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CAPTAIN G.C. BINGHAM, MC, USNDIR., CLINICAL SERVICES
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"Time Out"



If you think you have it bad in the military, things aren't any better on the outside.

Remember the recent "weigh in"?

Well, Oral Roberts University in Tulsa, Okla., may soon be closing its doors to overweight teachers if they refuse to lose prescribed amounts of weight. Overweight students are already unwelcome there.

How about that never ending order "Get a hair cut"?

My husband, upon being considered for a job at an airport, was told that his starting salary would depend on what kind of hair cut he had when he reported for work. At the time, many people would have considered his hair to be very short.

So, personal appearance and personal pride place an important role not only in the military but also in civilian living. Don't take for granted that things will get easier or more relaxed, when you enter the world of civilians. You are the employee and will have to abide by the rules and regulations established by the employer - sounds familiar doesn't it?



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Razorback fan, HN George Storay was selected as the non-rated Sailor of the Quarter.

George calls North Little Rock, Ark. his home and hopes to return there in June when his enlistment is up. He enlisted in June 1974 and his first stop after Corps School in San Diego was Corpus Christi where he met and married the former Ms. Stella Young.

In March 1976, he reported on board NRMC Memphis and went to work in Anesthesiology, where he remains to be found these days. As part of the gas-passers' organization, George has a wide variety of duties including, standing by in the O.R., observing patients in the recovery room, starting intravenous therapy on pre-op patients, and maintaining the anesthesia equipment. George is also involved with inhalation therapy which consists of making rounds with the IPPB and Nebulizer machines and their necessary up keep.

As for his plans for his future, he's not too sure what he will do. The thought of further training in inhalation therapy sounded pretty good at first but, now he's thinking along the lines of computer schooling.

What ever his final decision, best of luck in the civilian world to you, George, Stella and your daughter, Katrina.

...& Him '2

Texan born, HM2 James Shadden was selected as the rated Sailor of the Quarter for the period ending 31 March.

HM2 Shadden began his Naval Career in 1969 in San Diego where he attended boot camp and Corps School. Upon completion, he transferred to Chelsea, Mass. where he met and married the former Ms. Mary Iwanowicz in April 1971. Jim and Mary's first duty station as a Navy couple was Camp LeJeune with the 2nd Marine Division.

Wanting a change of pace and a taste of civilian life, Jim decided to go back to Texas where he went to work as an O.R. tech.

However, Navy life had its advantages, especially the traveling. So, Jim reenlisted in 75 and after a week of reorientation at Norfolk, he reported on board NRMC Memphis where he went to work on the Neuropsychiatric Ward and eventually became the Senior Corpsman. Then in May '77 he transferred to the Nursing Service Administration Office to learn the admin part of being a corpsman. Jim worked for Captain Maynard and Captain Jones busy-ing himself with filing, typing, and such other office work. Then in April '78, Jim moved to the Personnel Service to take over the Receipts and Transfer Desk upon HM2 Willie Nelson's transfer.

Jim and Mary, who is one of our Red Cross volunteers, have decided to make the Navy their way of life. They make their home with their two daughters, Michelle and Le-Ann at 3089 Tartar.



President discusses National Security Policy

Washington, Mar. 30, 1978 (AFPS)

President Jimmy Carter, in his important policy speech at Wake Forest University on March 16, exploded the myth that the United States is pulling back from protecting its interests and those of its friends around the world.

He punctured yet another myth that the Free World defense is too burdensome, when, in fact, it represents only five percent of our gross national product.

Pointing out the changing military balance among nations during the past two decades, the President said the principal change is the long-term increase of Soviet military power and Moscow's ominous inclination to use it.

The Chief Executive then outlined the points of a major re-assessment of our security policy, the first point being to match any threatening military power and not allow any nation to gain military superiority.

At the same time, he said we should seek the cooperation of the Soviet Union, including verifiable arms control agreements, to reduce tensions.

He said the United States has no desire to intervene in any country's domestic affairs and we would oppose the intervention of others.

The Commander-in-Chief said we will modernize our strategic forces and revitalize our conventional ones in three ways: (1) maintaining the strategic nuclear balance, (2) working with our NATO allies to modernize our defenses in Europe; (3) maintaining forces to protect vital allied interests in other parts of the world.

Noting the horrors of a nuclear war, the President endorsed our fundamental concept of deterring war through strong military forces and the credibility of our will to use them.

He made it clear that the Soviets must never be allowed to use their nuclear forces to blackmail our friends.

President Carter pledged continuing efforts at strategic arms limitation talks but said any SALT agreement could not be one-sided and must preserve the strategic balance.

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VEAP \$ Triple \$ your investment

If you joined the Navy after Dec. 31, 1976, you are eligible for the Veterans Educational Assistance Program.

This program, which replaces the earlier G.I. Bill, will help you continue your education during and/or after military service. It's yours, but only if you want to participate.

Here's how the program works. If you contribute toward your education, so will Uncle Sam, and the government will pay two dollars for every one dollar you put into the fund. After three years, you could, with Uncle Sam's help, have \$8,100 to pay for your education.

There are some specific requirements - but they are not difficult. You must first decide how much you want to allot to this fund every month. You can contribute from \$50 to \$75 a month or any five dollar increase in between.

Second, you must agree to participate in the program for at least 12 months, although there are exceptions to this rule for financial hardship cases.

You will be entitled to the total amount in the fund only after you complete your first enlistment or period of obligated service and only if you use it in a VA approved education program. If you decide not to go to school, you will be able to draw out only the amount you have put into the fund. If, by the time you decide not to attend school, you have already been released from active duty, your share of the money will be refunded to you within 60 days after you notify the Veterans Administration.

If, after attending school for several months, you decide to drop out, you may draw the remainder of your share of the fund. If you intend to go back to school at a later time, you may leave it alone and begin drawing on it again when you return to school. In this case, you would continue to receive the government's matching share so long as the fund lasts.

While you're going to school, you will receive monthly payments for the same number of months you participated in the program. If you contributed for 24 months, you will receive 24 monthly payments. These payments may be up to \$225 depending on what your monthly contributions were.

This chart shows how much you can save for your education through the Veterans Educational Assistance Program. Look it over and if you are interested, see your career counselor.

Your contribution	You save	Government contribution	Total
After One Year			
\$50.00 a month	\$ 600.00	\$1200.00	\$1800.00
\$55.00 a month	\$ 660.00	\$1320.00	\$1980.00
\$60.00 a month	\$ 720.00	\$1440.00	\$2160.00
\$65.00 a month	\$ 780.00	\$1560.00	\$2340.00
\$70.00 a month	\$ 840.00	\$1680.00	\$2520.00
\$75.00 a month	\$ 900.00	\$1800.00	\$2700.00
After Two Years			
\$50.00 a month	\$1200.00	\$2400.00	\$3600.00
\$55.00 a month	\$1320.00	\$2640.00	\$3960.00
\$60.00 a month	\$1440.00	\$2880.00	\$4320.00
\$65.00 a month	\$1560.00	\$3120.00	\$4680.00
\$70.00 a month	\$1680.00	\$3360.00	\$5040.00
\$75.00 a month	\$1800.00	\$3600.00	\$5400.00
After Three Years			
\$50.00 a month	\$1800.00	\$3600.00	\$5400.00
\$55.00 a month	\$1980.00	\$3960.00	\$5940.00
\$60.00 a month	\$2160.00	\$4320.00	\$6480.00
\$65.00 a month	\$2340.00	\$4680.00	\$7020.00
\$70.00 a month	\$2520.00	\$5040.00	\$7560.00
\$75.00 a month	\$2700.00	\$5400.00	\$8100.00

(Maximum Amount)


Surgical Clinic



Dr. White performs a breast biopsy.

The thought of having any type of surgery, even minor, may leave a person apprehensive regardless of the dose of consolation the attending surgeon or surgical corpsman dispenses. However, minor surgery is a daily occurrence at NRMC's Surgical Clinic; so have no fear, your cysts, nevi, and ingrown toenails are in good hands.

The Surgical Clinic is headed by Dr. Stuckey, Chief of Surgery, Dr. Mabee, and Dr. White. HM2 Shirley Turner, Senior Corpswave, is due for discharge in May, while HM2 John Tempesco departed for Cuba on 23 April. HM3 Darrell Johnson, HN Alan Pieper, and HN Bill Todd compose the rest of the surgical staff.

The clinic starts its days with minor surgery in the mornings and "clinic" in the afternoons. During 'clinic' hours, corpspersons screen patients with referrals from FPC/PCC clinics, set up the recheck patients and walk-ins. Clinic hours begin at 1300 Monday through Thursday and 0900 on Fridays. Minor surgery cases are scheduled from 0830 until 1100 Monday through Thursday and 1300 till closing on Friday. Most of the minor cases consist of subcutaneous cysts, nevi, ingrown toenails, biopsies, bronchoscopies, etc.

A special section of the clinic is the Tumor Registry. Mrs. Jeannette Sutherland is the Board's secretary who handles the records and files on the patients registered. The board consists of pathologists, radiologists, and surgeons, both military and civilian.

Once a malignancy is determined, the board meets and decides what treatment is best for that patient. Most of those patients requiring Chemotherapy are treated here at the Center; however, those requiring radiation therapy are sent elsewhere. Active duty military are usually medicated to another military installation, while civilians are treated under Champus at surrounding Memphis hospitals and the University of Tennessee Medical Center.

Our surgical clinic staff are highly trained for their jobs; they even, as an extra task, train those personnel transferring to the E.R. or EMS in suturing. Our surgical corpspersons are all certified in suturing and minor surgery procedures. Therefore, trust your cysts to our surgical clinic, and have no fear.



Dr. Mabee peers into a stomach with the use of a gastroscope.



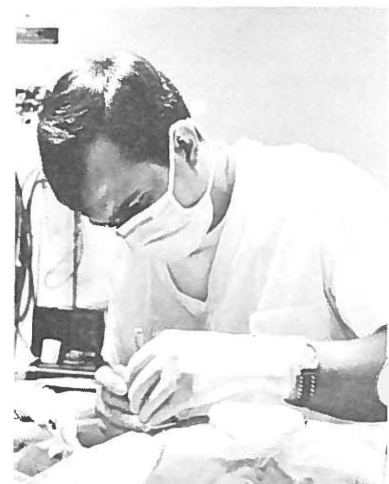
HM2 John Tempesco sets up a minor surgery tray.



HN Alan Pieper assists Dr. White during a breast biopsy.



HN Pieper and HN Todd excise a cyst from a leg.



HN Bill Todd works on removing a cyst from a leg.

BATTER'S BOX

Softball plays a large role in maintaining high morale at NRMC Memphis. This year we boast 8 teams of which two are female teams. The base season starts in May for both genders and the fight for fields has long been in process. However, this is usually compensated by two teams sharing the same field in a scrimmage game.

One of the female teams, the 'Stars & Strikes', has also signed up with the Memphis City 'C' League and will be playing in the Scenic Hills Division on Wednesdays.

Here is a list of the teams and their members participating in the 1978 slowpitch softball season:

SURGERY RABBLE ROUSERS: Dale Roland-coach; Frank Barby, Randle Cracker, Rick Finnestad, Dr. Gellman, Royce Hamm, Rob Kilcheski, Mike Kirby, Dr. Mabee, Morris Moulton, LT Noble, Alan Pieper, Mike Robertson, D. Smith, Gary Stone, George Storay, Louis Weiss, Dr. White, Jimmy Hudson, and Rick Durham.

MISFITS: Steve Beaver-coach; Bob Methany, Dan Hollenkamp, Larry Patterson, Jerry Taylor, Nick Coburn, Al Roggerio, Dave Martin, Bob Hardin, Mike Johnston, Mark Morehouse, 'Shorty' Holland, Don Clemmons, Dave Grose, Al Sliger, Charlie Weathers, Randy Hall, Randy Worrell, Al Carmichael, Larry Turner, Greg Reese, Jim Norman, and Sam Weller.

BLUE RIBBON CHAMPS: Mike Clayton and Craig Kerfoot-coaches; Andy Stricklin, 'Pete' Peterson, Wes Hays, Steve McLeskey, Steve McIlvred, Mark Dunn, Rodney Mantle, Reggie Willis, Rick Hallmark, Bruce Eshleman, Bill Foster, John Dotter, Tom Flippin, Mike Garrett, Leo Holloway, Les Ingram, Steve Maliszewski, Rick Rines, Ed Kellner, and Bill Harris.

ARMADILLO'S: Chip Bailey-coach; Jeff Connor, Paul Hankins, Rick Florez, Chris Steele, Scott Weiss, Chuck Bailey, Randy Howard, Dave Gens, Larry Gatlin, Raymond Woods, Dan McCrary, Kerry Stalter, Danny Musser, Mario Carter, Don Langlais, John McCarthy, Morgan Redmon, Curtis McCool, Chris Lambert, Reyes Rincon, and Rodger Kohen.

UNDERDOGS: Bob Norton-coach; Lee Selman, Andy Robinson, Jose Lopez, Tom Lichwa, Rick Alvarado, Tom O'Dell, Terry Walker, Dave Profitt, Larry Adams, Cecil Blackmore, Alan Engle, Tom Cooper, Bob Smith, Rick Gipson, Ken Hixson, Dan Herring, Bob Fanger, and Randy Williams.

OFFICERS: LT Hoffower-coach; LT Campbell, ENS Meyer, ENS Haberman, ENS Denny, LTjg Schuette, ENS Greene, LTjg Dixon, LT Glover, ENS Harrison, Dr. Oxler, Dr. Hire, Dr. Manis, Dr. Kramer, Dr. Branitz, Dr. Krieg, Dr. Bingham, Dr. Smith, Dr. Sessler, Dr. Parsons, Dr. Carlos, LT Huston, LT Steffey, and Chaplain Nobles.

CRICKETS: Alan Engle, Steve McLeskey, & Scott Fulton-coaches; Dotty Wilson, Anna Marie Kiel, Janet Arnold, Donna Strickland, Rose Achterkinch, Cindy Clark, Brenda Duensing, Carolyn Fulton, Chris Seitz, Krista Beaver, Mona Denny, Emily Arthur, and Janie Bland.

STARS & STRIKES: HMC Armstrong, HMC Morrison, Dennis Halley, Tom Yancey, & Bob Fanger-coaches and assistants; Karen Carney, Alice Curtis, Joan Dooling, Pat Ellis, Diane Hardin, Ethel Jones, Dawn Lawing, Carol Martin, Christie Patterson, June Riddell, Barbara Roggerio, Tammy Scott, Diana Todd, Sheila Williams, Betty Yancey, and Tonya Kelley.



The Medical Mixed Bowling League finished the winter session with a banquet held 18 Mar. at the CPO Mess.

The award winning teams were: for first place, CDR and Mrs. Bennett/ENC and Mrs. Stone; second place went to David and Gail Grose/Warren and Blancho Carlisle.

In the men's category, Gary Gamble took High Average; LT Huju was the High Series winner; Dale Roland had High Game and Chris Fahnestock took High Series Handicap while Robert Kilcheski took High Game Handicap. Warren Carlisle received the Most Improved Bowler award.

In the women's competition, High Average went to Blancho Carlisle; Bobbie Gamble took High Series; Roxanne Fahnestock had High Game; and High Series Handicap was awarded to LT Kiel while Judy Stone took High Game Handicap. Most Improved Bowler went to Pat Huju.

STARS & STRIKES TAKE TOURNEY

NRMC's 'Stars & Strikes' finished the Cotton Carnival Slowpitch Softball 'C' League Tournament in **FIRST PLACE** by defeating 'Buckman Bu-Babes' 11-9 22 April. The tournament was a single elimination stand-off among 64 Memphis area teams.

The 'Stars' began the tourney by running by 'Huntsman Container' 33-1. Then in the second game, they flew by 'Solomon's Sizzlers' 28-5. The third game put the 'Stars' up to bat against 'R.J.'s Malt' who fell at the plate 14-7. 'Methodist Super stats' were up in the fourth game but went down 14-3.

Then came the semi-final stand-off against 'Warren Brothers' for a full seven innings which ended with the 'Stars' sliding by the 'Brothers' 9-4.

The last stop was at Rodney Baber Field where the 'Stars' took the lead 11-9 over the 'Bu-Babes.'

The ladies played some fantastic ball and looked great when they played like a team. However there were some rough innings, such as in the game against 'R.J.'s'.

Until the fourth, the score read 5-0 for the 'Stars'. Then the ladies lost it when Diane Hardin was carried off the field and taken to NRMC with a badly bruised knee. After this pretty dramatic scene, 'R.J.'s' pounced on the disrupted 'Stars' and started pecking base hits which gave them four runs going into the fifth. The 'Stars' came back in the bottom of the fifth with two more runs. In the sixth, 'R.J.' tied the score 7 all and the time limit was up. So, into the bottom of the sixth went the 'Stars'. When the game was called five minutes into the bottom, the 'Stars' were ahead 14-7 and had only one out. It was a team effort indeed.

Another close game was against the 'Bu-Babes'. The 'Stars' held them scoreless until the sixth inning when they brought in 7 runs which made the score 9-7. By the end of the sixth inning, the score was 11-7. However, the 'Bu-Babes' scored two more runs in the seventh, bringing the final score to 11-9 and a well earned victory to the 'Stars' as they headed triumphantly to T & C.'s.

ADVANCEMENTS

MARCH

HM1

J.D. BOSWELL
S.J. MALISZEWSKI

HM2

K.R. RAMSEY
S.A. TURNER
I.G. FLORES
R.T. SHOOBRIDGE

HN

R.B. CICHON

HA

B.H. LANDON
M.G. LAWLOR
J.L. TREITLER
W. CARRASQUILLA



From left to right: (back row) R.F. DONAHOO
D.S. GROSE, G.V. KRIAUCIUNAS, CAPTAIN C.W. BRAM-
LETT, A.C. CARMICHAEL, V.D. GLOVER. (Front) T.L.
YANCEY, R.E. HAMM, R. LUCERO & C.K. HOSKINS.

APRIL

HM1

R. LUCERO
C.K. HOSKINS

HM2

D.S. GROSE
T.L. YANCEY
V.D. GLOVER
R.E. HAMM
G.V. KRIAUCIUNAS
A.C. CARMICHAEL
R.F. DONAHOO

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R.D. CORRINGTON
W.S. LEE
C.A. PATRICK

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POLICY: CON FROM PAGE 3

He pointed out that other talks -- Mutual Balanced Force Reduction -- have been going on for some time, while the Soviets continued to increase conventional forces in Europe beyond defense needs.

The President pointed out the United States has global concerns in the Middle East, the Persian Gulf, East Asia, and the Pacific -- and will both honor these commitments and protect our interests.

He bluntly said the economic health of Japan, Western Europe, and the United States depends upon access to oil from the Persian Gulf.

But he noted that the primary responsibility for military stability in these areas rests with the countries of the region, with the United States ready with quickly - deployable forces in support.

The President said his talk was serious and sober, but there is no cause for pessimism.

He said, in conclusion, we are a great nation of talented people who can afford the cost of military forces, a people who know that investment in defense purchases our freedom to fulfill the worthy goals of our country.



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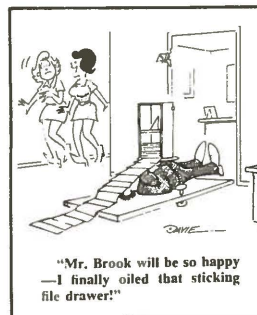
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ANNIVERSARY!
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GIVE
THE KIDS
A BRAKE...



WATCH FOR
CROSSING GUARDS



"Mr. Brook will be so happy
—I finally oiled that sticking
file drawer!"

CHICKEN
about giving blood?



What happens if
YOU need it?