



A first look at Kaohsiung.



"It says 'Hey, Coast Guard, buy me drink.'"

On Monday, 9 October, the YAK steamed into Kaohsiung harbor and nested along-side the USS AJAX. It wasn't long before the local populace realized they had a band of seasoned travelers visiting their fair city and rolled out the proverbial red carpet (along with the thirty percent mark-up on "consumer goods"). The officers and crew set out with admirable determination to maintain their reputation as men of the world and, in most cases, promptly blew a month's pay. Fortunately, when the program up town was getting a little too strenuous, Typhoon Carla threatened and it was necessary to evacuate the port for a few days. Upon returning, we got right back into the swing of things. Our stay in Kaohsiung was climaxed by an intra-ship softball game and the procurement of Irma La Douce, but that's another story.

