## USS KIRK (DE-1087) WESTPAC 73-74







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#### United States Ship KIRK DE-1087

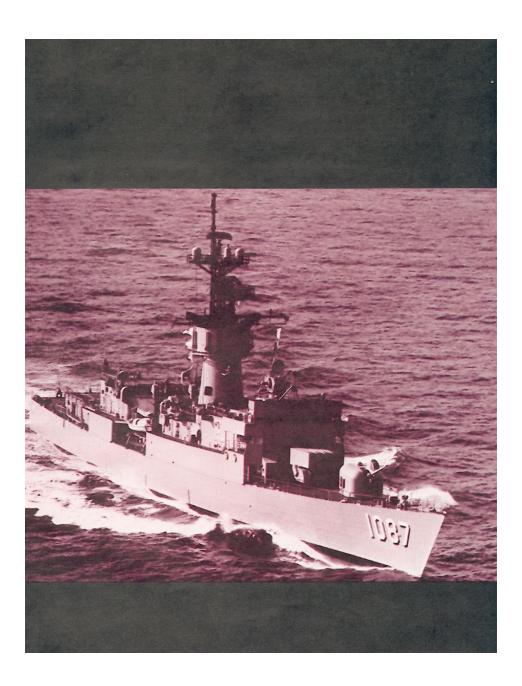
The thirty-sixth ship of the KNOX class of Destroyer Escort, USS KIRK (DE 1087) is one of the Navy's newest and most versatile ships. As such, she embodies the most advanced weapons for anti-submarine warfare and has added capabilities for helicopter support, anti-air warfare, shore bombardment, high speed escort, search, surveillance, blockade, and patrol. This versatility makes KIRK representative of a significant step forward in our modern Navy. KIRK is the first ship to carry the name of Admiral Alan Goodrich KIRK, a naval leader who distinguished himself during World War II and served his country with honor for over fifty years.

The primary mission of KIRK will be detection and destruction of enemy-submarines. To fulfill this mission, she is equipped with an underwater fire control system and a long range, variable depth SONAR which extends the area of submarine detections to previously impossible distances. Along with highly sophisticated radar, communications, and fire control equipment. KIRK carries an anti-submarine rocket system (ASROC), a 5 inch 54 caliber rapid fire gun, and two anti-submarine homing torpedo launchers. Additionally, the ship has space and weight reservations for a self-defense short range missile system.

Manned by a crew of 16 officers and 228 men. KIRK does not appear to be a destroyer escort because of her size. Displacing 4200 tons, she is 438 feet long with a beam of 48 feet 9 inches. Living quarters employ the latest concepts in habitability, including air conditioned messing and berthing compartments, a barber shop, ship's store, library, dispensary, and modern, fully equipped galley.

USS KIRK is equipped with two boilers in a 1200 PSI steam system which provides 35,000 shaft horsepower to the shaft and single 5 bladed propeller. The boiler combustion is automatically controlled and watches in the fireroom and engine room will be stood in an air conditioned control booth. The fresh water evaporators are capable of providing 24,000 gallons of fresh water per day. In addition, the ship is equipped with two gyre-controlled fin stabilizers that make conditions aboard more comfortable when riding heavy seas.

KIRK's keel was laid 4 December 1970 at Avondale Shipyards, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, and launched 25 September 1971 under the sponsorship of Mrs. Alan G. KIRK, Admiral KIRK's wife. On joining the Cruiser-Destroyer Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet, USS KIRK (DE 1087) will be homeported in San Diego, California, as a unit of "The Little Beavers" of Destroyer Squadron TWENTY-THREE.



## COMMANDING OFFICER COMMANDER HAROLD E. BURGESS, JR. USN

Commander Harold E. BURGESS, Jr., a native of Maplewood, Missouri, first enlisted in 1949 and was commissioned in 1955 from OCS, Newport, Rhode Island.

He reported to USS STRONG (DD 758) for his first tour of duty after commissioning. Subsequent assignments included duty as Operations Officer on the staff of Commander Destroyer Division 362 and Plans Officer on the staff of the Director of Naval Communications in the office of the Chief of Naval Operations. In December 1961 he assumed command of USS HITCHITI (ATF-103). Following this tour, Commander BURGESS completed studies for a BA degree at Naval Postgraduate School and in April 1966, he reported to USS BRAINE (DD 630) as Executive Officer, then in February 1968 to the staff of Commander Destroyer Squadron 17 as Operations Officer, and then in April 1969 to the staff of Commander Naval Forces Marianas as Plans Officer. He was then assigned duty as Plans Officer on the staff of Commander, U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam for which he was awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Navy Commendation Medal. In addition, he was awarded the Staff Medal First Class by the Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces Joint General Staff.

His other awards include: Combat Action Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal with star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with four stars, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Prior to his assignment to USS KIRK, CDR BURGESS served as Commanding Officer, USS BUCK (DD 761).



# EXECUTIVE OFFICER LIEUTENANT COMMANDER WILLIAM P. TRAINER, USN

Born in Memphis, Tennessee, William Perry TRAINER received his Bachelor of Business Administration Degree at Memphis State University. He was commissioned Ensign, United States Naval Reserve, on 25 September 1959 at Officers' Candidate School, Newport, Rhode Island, Class 44. On 1 October 1963 he was accepted for augmentation and received his commission in the United States Navy.

Lieutenant Commander TRAINER's initial service at sea was as Communications Officer and later Operations Officer in USS WALLER (DDE 466). He then served as Executive Officer and Navigator of USS FORTIFY (MSO 446) and Commanding Officer of USS SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY (LST 1122).

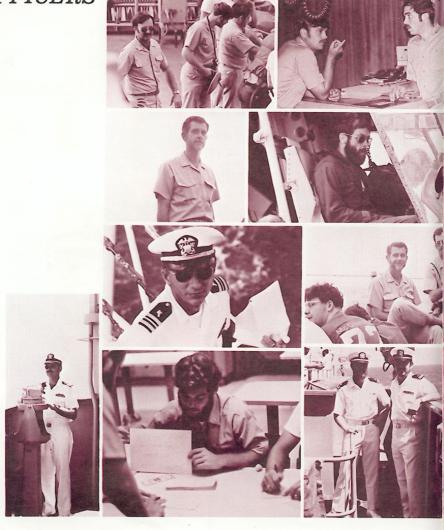
Included in his service ashore were duties as Oceanographic Watch Officer at U.S. Naval Facility, Bermuda, Naval Tactical Data System Instructor at U.S. Fleet Anti-Air Warfare Training Center, San Diego, and Shipboard Project Officer, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Management Information Systems Division, Washington, D.C.

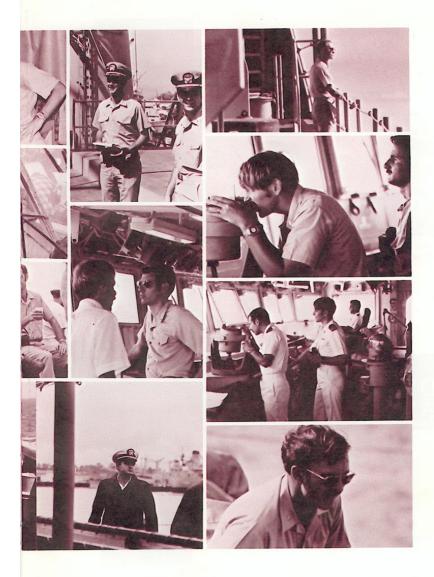
Prior to reporting as Executive Officer, USS KIRK (DE 1087). Lieutenant Commander TRAINER was the Personnel Administrative Officer and Commanding Officer, Staff Enlisted Personnel, on the combined staff of Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Vietnam, and Chief Naval Advisory Group, U.S. Military Assistance Command, Vietnam.



Licutenant Commander TRAINER is authorized to wear the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, the Navy Expeditionary Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with three bronze stars, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

#### **OFFICERS**







Doug BOND, LTJG. USN Navigator and Administrative Assistant

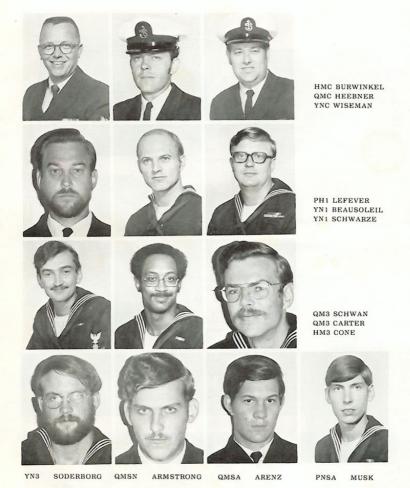


Bruce DAVIDSON, ENS, USN Navigator and Administrative Assistant

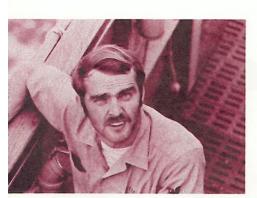


## ADMINISTRATIVE AND NAVIGATION DEPARTMENT





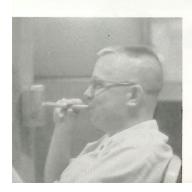
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QM1 FLYNN
QM2 BARRY ARMISTEAD
YN2 DIBBLE
PCSN BRINSON















LT. Hugh DOYLE Engineering Officer



LTJG John PINE Main Propulsion Assistant



LTJG Ken NELSON Damage Control Assistant



ENS. Steve WESCO Prospective Damage Control Assistant



#### ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT



#### M & B DIVISION



MMCS LESLIE CAMPBELL BTC GUYTON THOMPSON BTC WALLACE MICHAELSON



BTC FLOYD HOOBLER MM1 WILLIAM LEMMON BT1 JAMES BATTS



MM2 PETE DELMUNDO



MM2 MIKE TOBIN

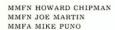


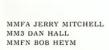
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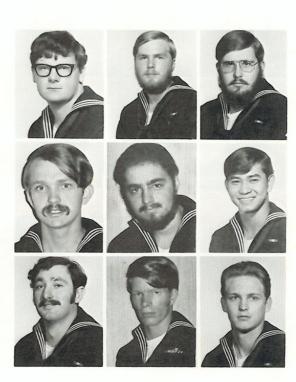


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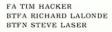








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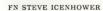






FA KEN RICHARDSON FA JERRY TURNER BTFN KEN MANGAS







FA JOE HICKEY





BTFN BOB GLASSER BTFA GAYLORD MALONE



BT 3 JOHN POOLE



BT3 JOHN DEMPSTER



BT3 DAVE WINKLEBLACK



BT3 KEVIN RYAN





BTFN BILL BURBRIDGE BTFN CURTIS WILLIAMS



FA MIKE PATE

NOT PICTURED: MMC LARRY LOUGHRIDGE BT2 DAVE SYMOENS MM3 DANNY NEEDHAM BT3 RAY WOLTERS MMFN AL DONALDSON BTFN JAY SCARROW MMFN STEVE EICKHORN BTFN ERIC JOHNSON FA TED MATTHEWS BTFN ROMON "ZAP" ZAMARIPPA BTFN DON SCHULZE MMFA TERRY WHATLEY FA GENE EDWARDS













































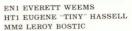


#### "R" DIVISION



EMCS JERRY STAATS MMC PAUL RENTERIA IC1 ROY LYON





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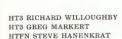




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IC2 DENNIS GIBSON IC2 MIKE DAME EM2 RICARDO LIM















EM3 RICARDO LIZADA EM3 PAT BELL MR3 MARIO NOVENARIO













MR3 CARL ALLENDER MM3 STEVE IANNAZZO ENFN MANUEL ROBLES















ENFN DARRELL RISINGER HTFA THOMAS MIDDLETON FA MICHAEL ABBOTT































LT Jerry KOLMAN Operations Officer



LTJG Trent MULKERN CIC Officer



ENS Chris CRAIG Communications Officer



ENS Craig DAWSON Electronics Material Officer



### OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

#### "OC" DIVISION



RM3 GREG HARKINS RM3 TOM WIEPPERT SMSN CURTIS HACKNEY SMSN E. C. BROWN

NOT PICTURED: RM3 GRANT WILSEY RMSN HENRY TOWNS















## "OE" DIVISION ELECTRONIC TECHNICIANS

ETC DON LEGRAND ET1 GREG BROTHER ETN2 DWIGHT LOFGREN



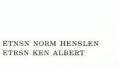
















NOT PICTURED: ETR2 ALEX GOZDAN ETR3 MIKE MANTHE ETR3 MIKE THOMAS



If this works, I'll be able to call home FREE!



Just a few more minor adjustments and . . .



I smile because I love it so much.



The ET's "ET".



Godzilla vs The Machine



Just 15 more cups and I'll have completed my practical factors for chief.



As soon as flight ops are secured, I think I'll go run a few laps.



Here today ——— gone tomorrow

#### "OI" DIVISION











OSC PAUL McCLURE EWC JOHN WILLOUGHBY OS1 HARRY HORSTMAN

OS1 RON PAUL OS1 JEROME BIEVER OS3 JIM BONGAARD

OS3 MARK BERTRAND OS3 TOM OEDING OS3 PETER BURINSKAS



OSSN HILTON BRITT OS3 DAVE ST PETER

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I think it's a roach.



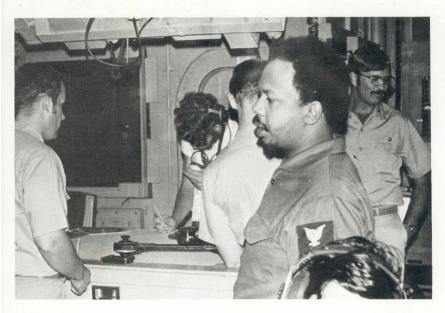
Combat manned and ready.



He says the bridge has lost the bubble too.



I've pushed all the buttons, But it still won't work.



Obviously the bubble has burst.



It sure is a good thing we ran up here or we might have missed all this excitement.

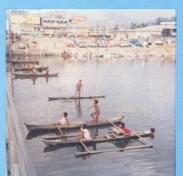


## THE PHILIPPINES















Islands of contrast . . .







. . And enchantment.

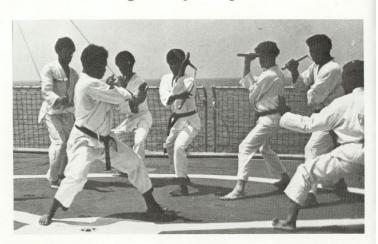


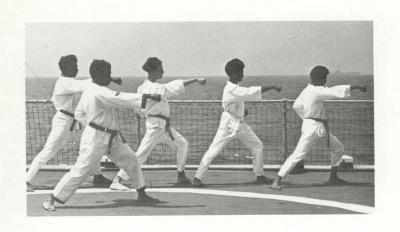






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# HONG KONG























"HAM"



"HYSON"



"LT. STECHER"



"CAP"



"BORANE"



"CHIEF BINGHAM AND THOMAS"



- "PARK"



"CHIEF BINGHAM"



"LARRICK"



"FREDDIE"

#### THE LITTLE FELLOW



"PINNEY"



"KIETH"

Taking on more bullets for the 5" Gun.



Receiving fuel underway.

# UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT



In-flight refueling from the KIRK International Airport.



Sometimes driving alongside can be pretty tricky.



Signalling to heave around and commence the transfer.



Personnel transfer by highline



Transferring an ASROC



Hoisting personnel for helo transfer and vertical replenishment.













# CROSSING THE LINE



WHERE HAVE ALL THE WOGGIES GONE . . . . .

GONE TO SHELLBACKS!





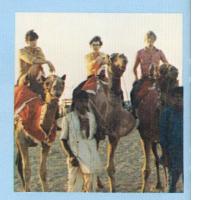


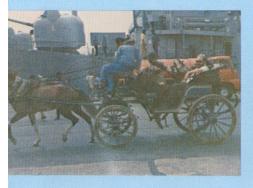


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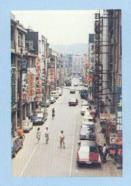
KARACHI,

**PAKISTAN** 











# SINGAPORE













Who ARE those guys — Man the Intelligence Collection Detail.





The HAWK is a BUM . . .





Friends, Relatives, and passers-by.



LT, SC Chuck SIRGUY Supply Officer



LTJG, SC Dave "COOL HAND" LUECHAUER Disbursing Officer



# SUPPLY DEPARTMENT





DK1 MIKE EDWARDS SK3 ALLEN McCULLOUGH SK3 BERNARD LAWSON



SH2 DOUG OBEE SH3 KERMIT CUNNINGHAM SHSN ROBERT SAUNDERS



SHSN RICHARD "SMOOTH" WILLIAMS SH3 JOHN COGGINS

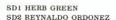
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NOT PICTURED: CSC "FRENCHIE" BAILIFF CSSA JOHN MESSMORE CSSA MARK LANGEL







SD2 SIMEON REYES SDSN WALLY ZALAMEDA SDSA BILL BURGWALD







CS1 JOHN TURNAGE CS2 SALVATORE CRISANTI SR RICHARD WAY



























LT Gary CASSAT Weapons Officer



LTJG Phil CAMPBELL First Lieutenant



ENS John McALLISTER Gunnery Assistant



# WEAPONS DEPARTMENT

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# FIRST DIVISION







BM1 C. W. OSTER BM2 DEMETRIO FILARDI BM2 DAN BURKS





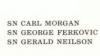








SN ALLEN WOJCIECHOWSKI SN PAT McPARLAND SN BILL DANIEL









SA PAUL SANDOVAL SA JIMMIE DIXON SA DAVE WILSON













SA CHUCK KALB SA JOHNNY MOORE SA KEN MORENO















SA PEDRO ROCHA SA DAVE MANSELL SA BILL CUTLER

NOT PICTURED
BM3 RODNEY BURTON
SN KEN PRESCOTT
SN JIM CARTWRIGHT
SA PERRY NORSKOG
SN JOHN SOLER
SA GERALD HARRISON















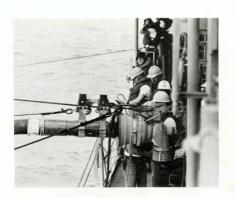














# SECOND DIVISION



GMGC H. M. DILULO GMG1 RUBEN SPEDALIERI FTG2 NORMAN MOORE

GMG3 PAUL WUNDERLE GMG3 JACK SANDERS GMG3 TIM CLANCY

FTG3 PHIL DEJOURNETT FTG3 JOHN WAHLMAN FTGSN STEVE "ROOKIE" JOHNSON



NOT PICTURED: FTG1 PETE PETERSON FTG3 MIKE COLIE



Sorry Sweetie, my datebook is full for the next two weeks.



"NO! NO! The target is over there!"



"I can't understand why I got hit for a haircut at inspection this morning."



"Aim for the bird sitting on top of the fence."



"Someone lick the end of this line so I can put it through the needle."



"Alright, everyone pull on the count of three."



What do you mean, "Do they let rookies stand security watches?"

# THIRD DIVISION



STCS EUGENE SUTTON



GMT1 TOM DIXON



ST1 JOE MUSCATELLO



STG2 BILL MUNDY

NOT PICTURED: ST1 DOUG JONES STG2 DAVE TAPP STG3 MIKE DONOVAN STG3 DAN WELLER TM2 TONY DAHLMAN TM3 LARRY McDANIELS STG2 J. T. KRYWALSKI STGSN JIM KNOX

> STG2 MIKE RICHE STG3 JEFF ROHRBAUGH STG3 DON TOELLER

















STG3 WAYNE BRAKENSIEK GMTSN THOMAS BENSON GMTSN BERT DENTON





GMTSN RICK CRAWLEY



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An extremely Sensitive,









Vain,

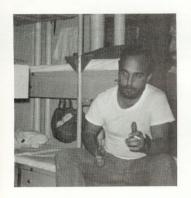
















Or Undisciplined Performer.

#### PASSING POINT LOMA









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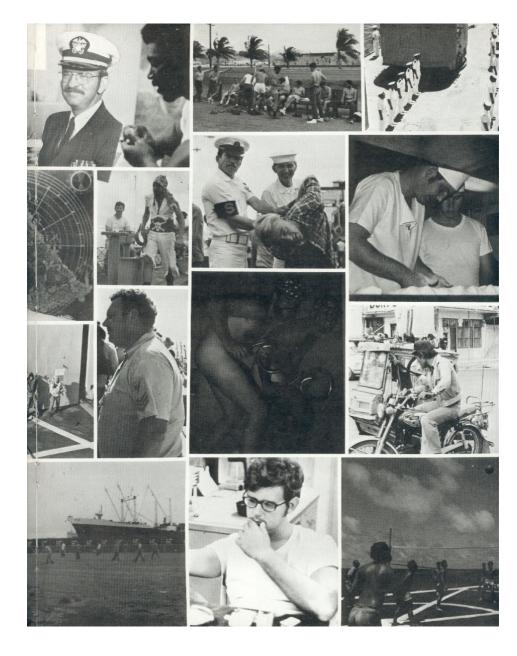


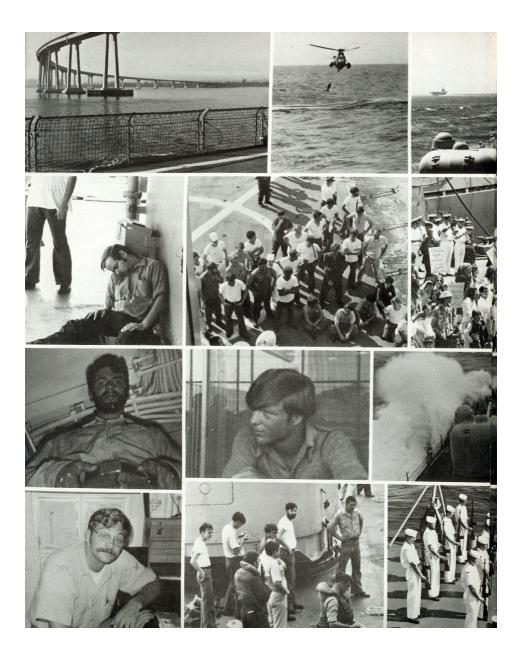


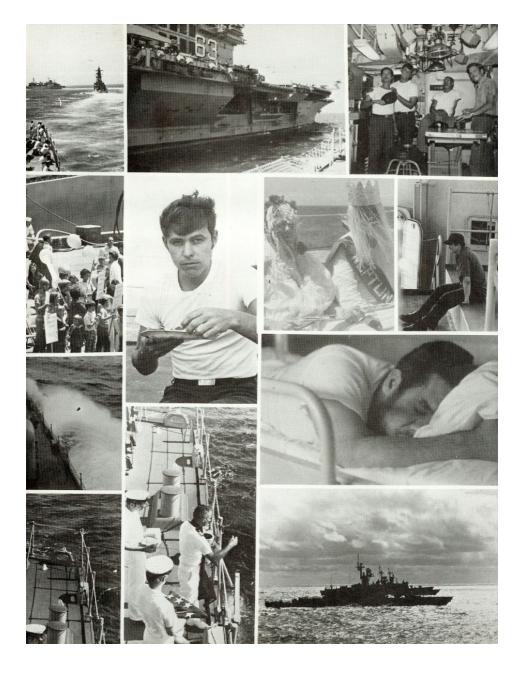


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