



**WEST AFRICA – MIDDLE EAST
CRUISE**

October 1977 - May 1978



AMERICA
vniuersae
SEPTENTRIONALIS
et
AUSTRALIS

OCEANUS
OCCIDENTALIS

AMERICA
SEPTENTRIONALIS

AMERICA
AUSTRALIS

MARE
MEXICANUM

MARE
DEL
NORTE

ARCHIPELLAGO
DE SANT LASARO

MARE
PACIFICUM

Circulus
Aequinoctialis

MARE
MEXICANUM

NOVA
GUINEA

Tropicus
Capricorni

MARE
PACIFICUM

AMERICA
MEXICANA
SIVE
PERUVIANA

AGNE

AMERICA ab Americo vocata nomen
habet, qui tam anno 1499 dicitur,
Septennio ante obferuentari a Christo
phoro Colombo. Ferdinandus Magella
no anno 1520 fretum primum inuesti-
gitus ab Francifco Tracuo. Inglas anno
1579. Thomas Cabot anno 1587.
A vniuersis illius a Nort Baltasus sup-
pore anquis fuit 1619. inuestitus ab Adm. 3. Spilbergo

Nic. Geddelert fecit

AGNE



Insigne Blazonry

The Ship's Insigne was created by combining portions of the coat of arms of the Family Furer with that of the mission of a guided missile escort ship. The professional background of the naval officer after whom the ship was named was also a major consideration.

The crest of the insignie, the eagle's head in silver, represents the high ideals to which the ship's crew is dedicated to uphold and, further, is supportive of the ship's chosen motto "Nulli Praeda" — "A prey to no one". The crest rests upon a blue and gold wreath which serves only to separate the crest and the silver helmet of a gentleman. The helmet connotes the readiness of the ship to defend those under escort. The blue shield with 3 golden banners is representative of the Ship's capability to "project power over, under and on the sea" against intruders attempting interdiction.

These figures set upon a red background, are completely encircled by the name and numerical designation in gold, of the ship against a blue background. The blue and gold colors, while appearing as major colors in the family coat of arms are representative of the Naval Academy background of the Admiral while the two stars represent his rank of Rear Admiral at the time of his retirement.

The helmet and shield shapes were extracted from the family coat of arms as were the blue, gold, red and silver colors of the insignie.

The Loss of a Shipmate

IN MEMORY OF BT3 CHRISTDON E. GRIFFIN, USN

16 OCT 1955 - 28 SEP 1977

The unity and closeness of a ship's crew is something unseen and unfelt by the outsider. But to those of us who live and work in the confines of 414 feet of grey bulkheads, experience the long weeks at sea, the lonely months away from home, the many hours beyond a civilian 40 hour work week; to those of us who wear the Naval uniform, stand the endless watches, prepare for the various inspections, train for the war we hope never to see, *Unity* is the foundation upon which all the success, honors, BZ's, and well dones are achieved. The unity of a ship's crew is something only the crew-member can feel, experience, and see. He becomes a part of the ship, and the ship, a part of him. He becomes a part of the lives of everyother shipmate aboard, and everyother shipmate's life becomes a part of his. It is that binding force that only a sailor can know that makes the loss of a fellow shipmate one of the most difficult trials the ship will undergo. But it's at a time of loss that the significance of the ship's unity is made ever more real. It is then that the importance of each and every man onboard becomes the focal point of our thoughts and attention, and the men reach out to help those friends and family members of the lost shipmate.

And so it was when BT3 Griffin died in an unforeseen accident last September in Charleston. BT3 Griffin, or "Grif" as his friends called him, was loved by all onboard. His smiling face and cheerful approach to life filled the fireroom in which he worked. It was his humor and laughter that helped make the work seem less difficult and demanding. Throughout his three and a half years onboard, he did much to improve the readiness of the fireroom, and assisted in the successful completion of three of the ship's most difficult engineering inspections. His efforts, his knowledge, and his attitudes combined to produce an outstanding boiler technician that the ship and his shipmates can always be proud of.

After the sad news of his death reached his shipmates, the crew immediately proceeded to raise almost \$350 to be jointly used to purchase a memorial monument to be placed at his grave site and to assist the surviving family with the funeral expenses.

All in remembrance of a true friend and shipmate missed by all.



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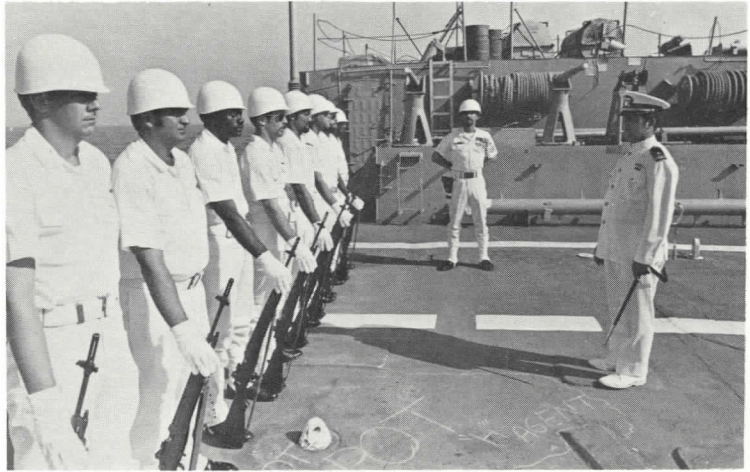
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WELCOME HOME

1. AS FURER COMPLETES HER UNUSUALLY DEMANDING MIDEAST FOR DEPLOYMENT, I WISH TO EXTEND MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS AND SINCERE APPRECIATION ON YOUR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE. YOUR OVERALL PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE EXTENDED NOT ONLY TO ACCURATE AND TIMELY REPORTING OF CRITICAL SURVEILLANCE OPERATIONS BUT ALSO TO HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PORT CALLS TO WEST AFRICAN PORTS AND VICTORIA, SEYCHELLES. EACH MAN ONBOARD CAN TAKE JUSTIFIABLE PRIDE IN THE MISSION YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED SO WELL. MAY YOU ENJOY A WARM REUNION WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WELL DONE AND WELCOME HOME.

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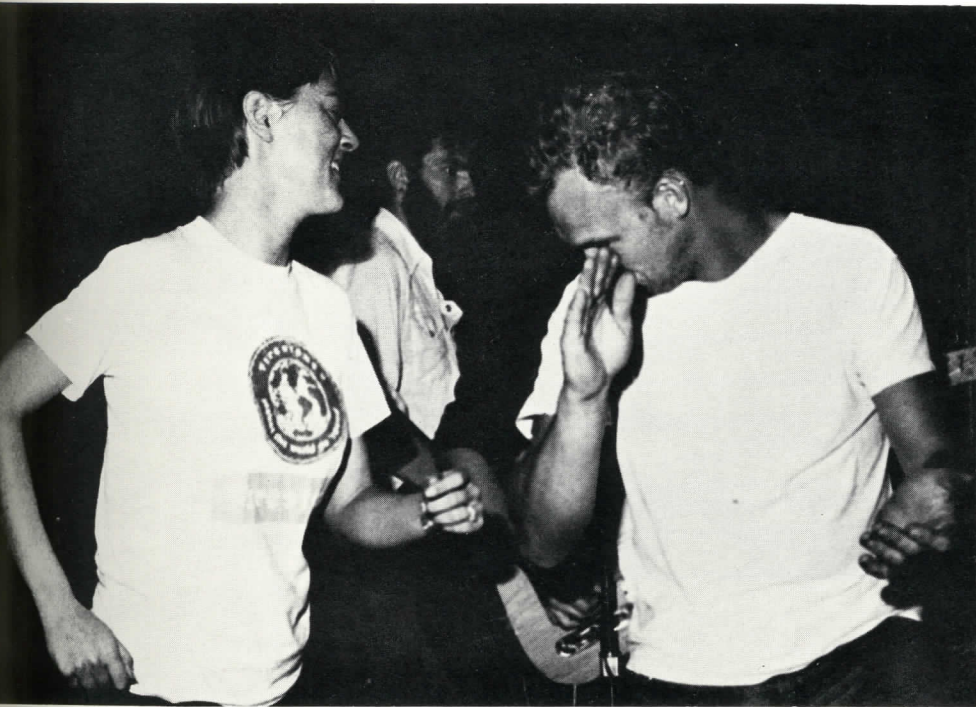


***What is a
Sailor?***





After the security of his childhood, and during the insecurity of his second childhood, we find a fascinating group of humans commonly known as sailors.



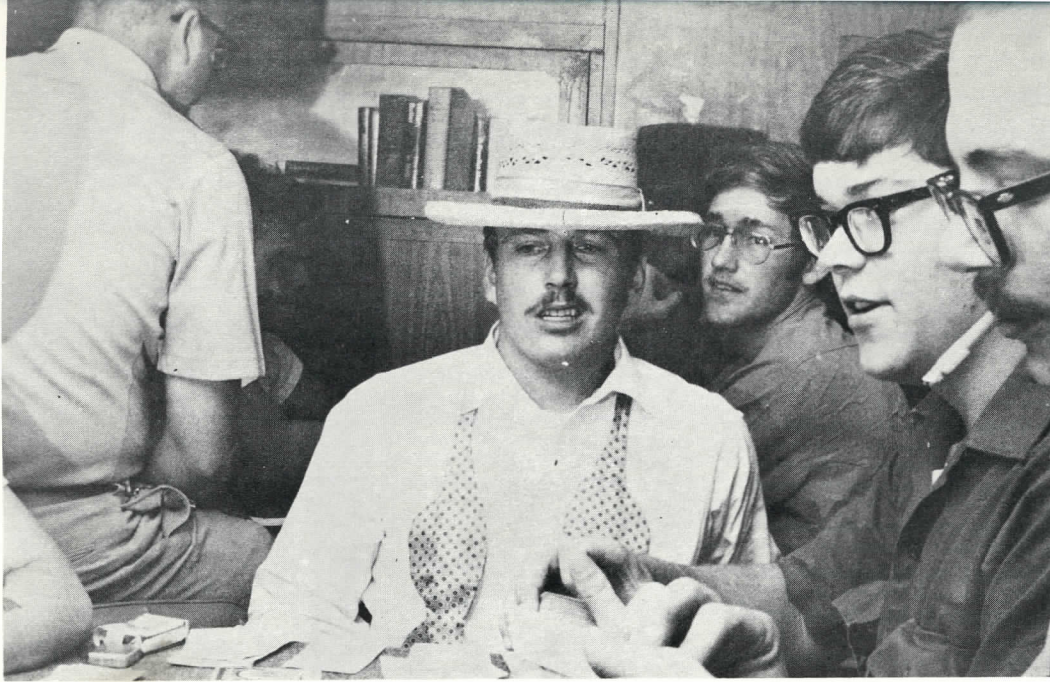
They come in various shapes and sizes, weights and states of sobriety. They can be found anywhere on ships, in bars, in love, and always in debt. Girls love them, towns tolerate them, and Uncle Sam supports them.

A sailor is laziness with a deck of cards, bravery with a tattooed arm and the protector of the sea with a copy of Playboy in his back pocket. He has the energy of a turtle, the slyness of a fox, the brains of an idiot, the stories of a sea captain, the sincerity of a child, the appetite of an elephant, and the aspirations of a cassanova. When he wants something it is usually connected with a liberty card.



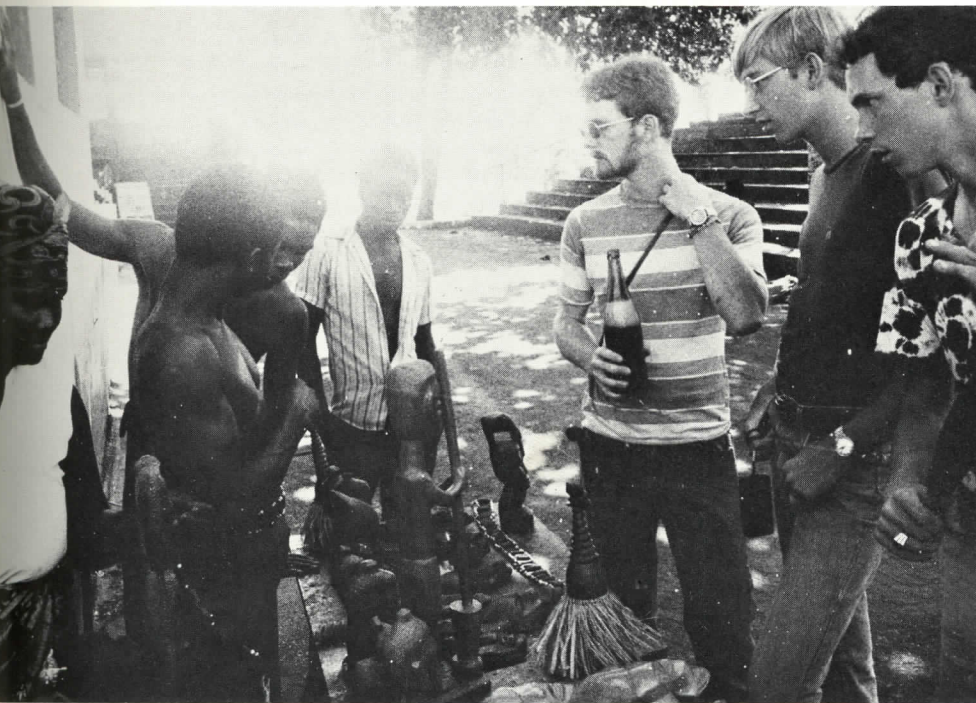


Some of his likes are: girls, women, females, dames and members of the opposite sex. He dislikes answering letters, getting up on time, his superior officers, the chow and squaring his hat.



No one can cram more into the jumper pocket: a little black book, a pack of crushed cigarettes, a picture of his best girl, a Playboy calendar, a deck of cards, a church key and what's left of last month's pay. He likes to spend his money on women, booze, poker and the rest he spends foolishly.

He can always be depended upon to sign up for every tour and side trip, only if they're scheduled during the workday or his watch.





Initiative is his middle name and screaming is his pastime. From lube jobs in the fireroom to a sea bat on the deck. From mail buoys on the forecastle to King Neptune and his court. Screaming is his pastime, while constructive thought is a sin.

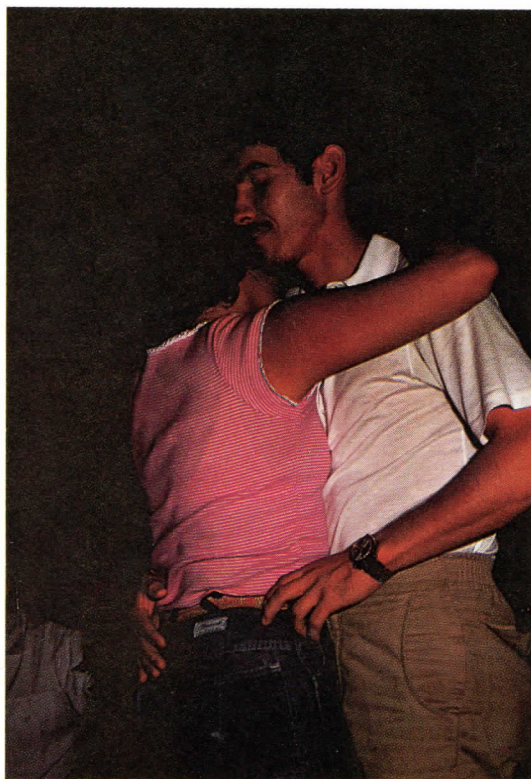


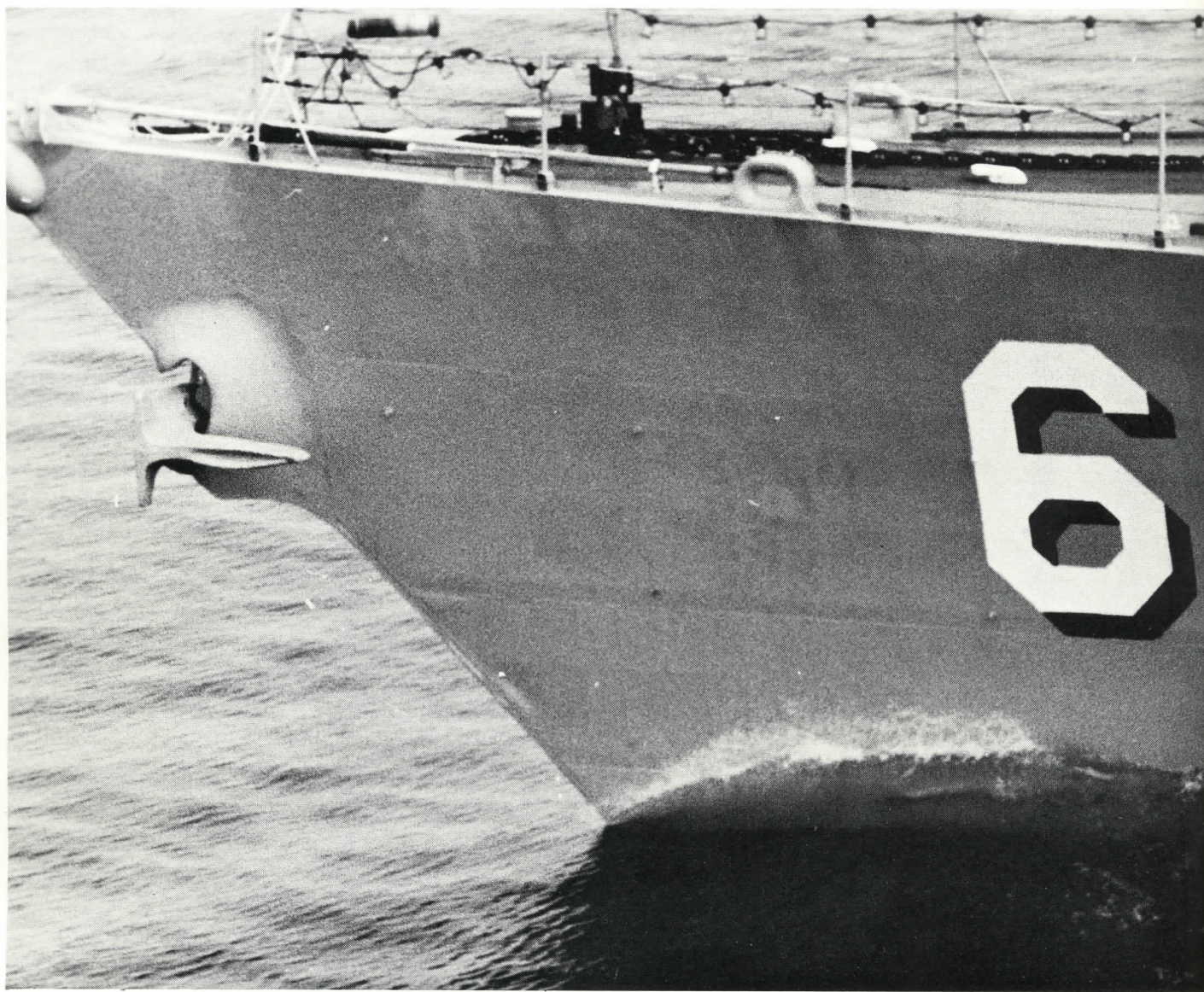
The sailor spends much of his time handling mooring lines, shot lines, tending lines and fishing lines. He thinks he's "Broadway Joe" with the football, Pele at the goal, "Wilt the Stilt" on the court and Ali in the ring. A sailor is a gob, a twiget, a snipe, an ape and other animals. But above all — a mate.



His life is spent in foreign ports, on the high seas, chasing unknown ships, and where home-port is just a fuel stop. His acquaintances range from Presidents, Ambassadors, and Admirals to "hey joes", bum boats, and local people.

A sailor is a magical creature. You can lock him out of your house, but not out of your heart. You can take him off your mailing list, but not off your mind. You may as well give up. He is your far-away-from-home lover, your big bundle of worry. But all of your shattered dreams seem insignificant when your sailor docks, looks into your eyes and says, "Hi honey".





USS JULIUS A. FURER

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Commanding Officer

COMMANDER BRUCE W. STRONG

United States Navy

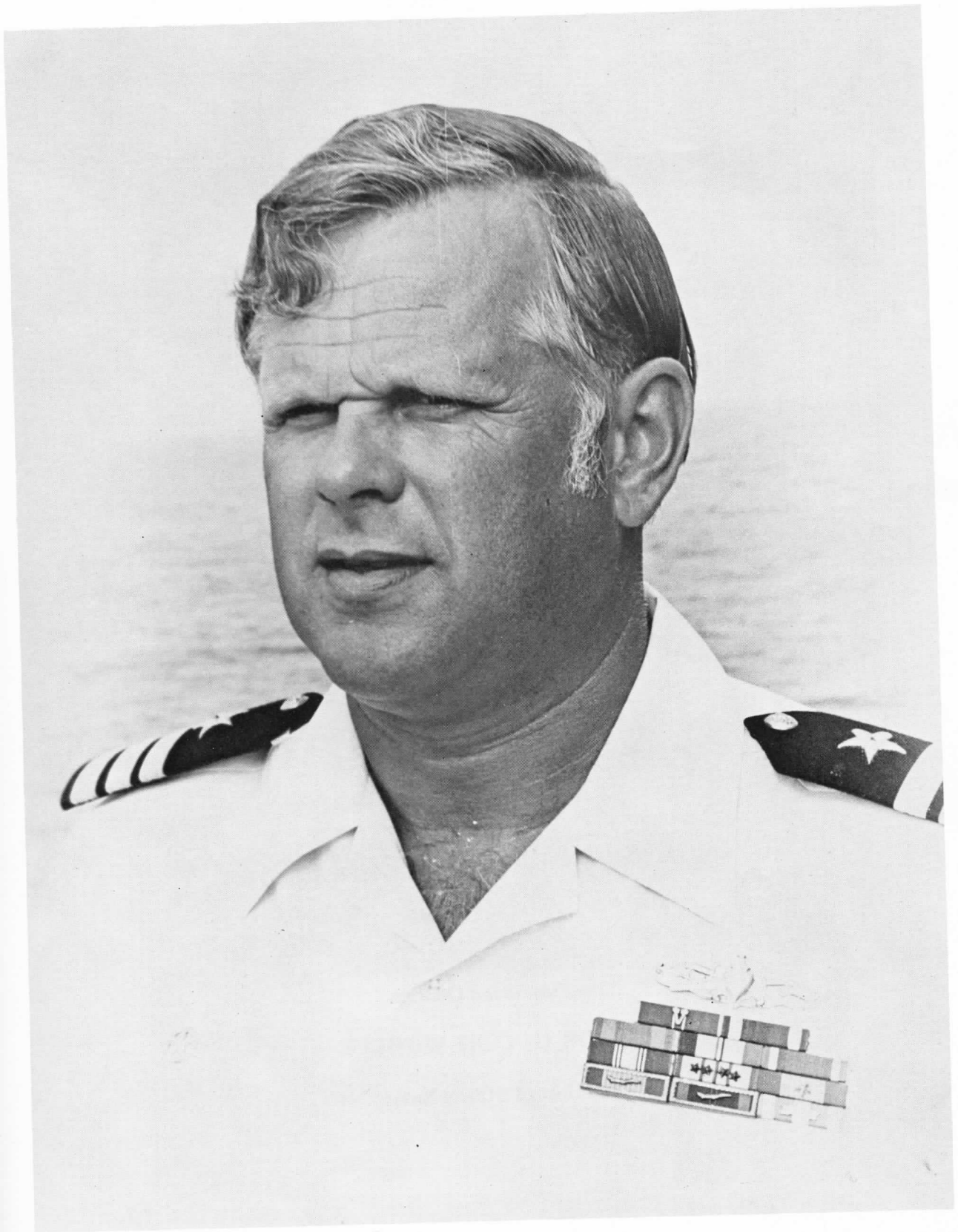
CDR STRONG is a native of Rockland, Maine. He attended the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marine Transportation and a Coast Guard Deck Officer license. He was commissioned as a Naval Reserve Ensign and commenced active duty in January 1959.

At sea, CDR STRONG has served as Navigator, USS RENVILLE (APA-227); Weapons Officer, USS RICHARD B. ANDERSON (DD-786); Missile Officer, USS REEVES (CG-24) and Executive Officer, USS O'HARE (DD-889) and USS LEAHY (CG-16).

CDR STRONG's shore duty assignments include: AAW/ASW Officer, U.S. Naval Research Laboratory; Naval Post-Graduate School where he earned a Master of Science degree in Management; Chief Staff Officer/Acting Commander; Military Sealift Command, Mediterranean Sub-Area and office of the Chief of Naval Operations in the General Planning and Programming Division.

He has been awarded the Bronze Star [*with Combat "V"*], the Navy Commendation Medal, the Navy Achievement Medal, the Navy Unit Commendation, the Combat Action Ribbon and numerous campaign, service ribbons and foreign decorations.

CDR STRONG is married to the former Janet Dixon of Boston, Massachusetts. They have two daughters, Katherine and Carolyn and two sons, David and Michael.





Executive Officer

LCDR G. CURT WOMBLE

United States Navy



Officer In Charge
LT. DON ERICKSON

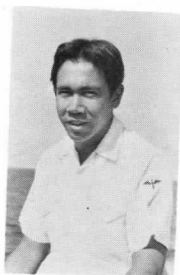
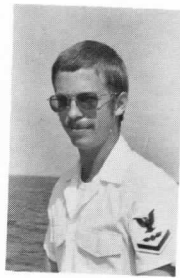
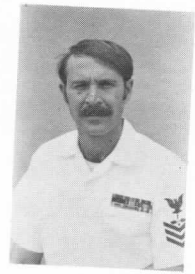
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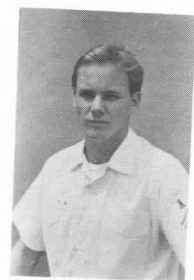
LT. RICHARD DICK



LT JG GARY JONES



**AIR
CREW**



Anderson PHSN

ENGINEERING



Chief Engineer
LT. A. GREG HOLLINGSWORTH



Main Propulsion Assistant
LT JG THOMAS BRYCE



Damage Control Assistant
LT JG PETER RANELLI



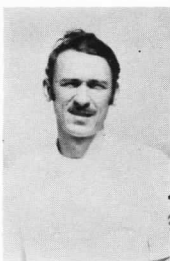
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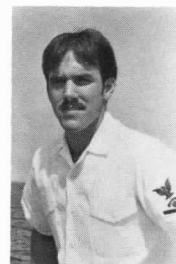


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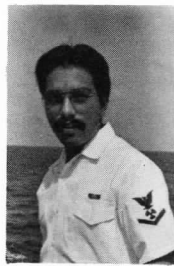
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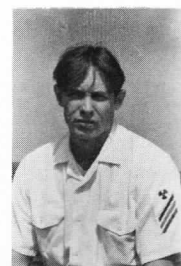
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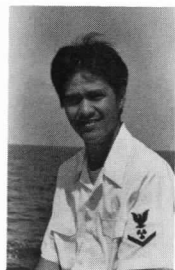
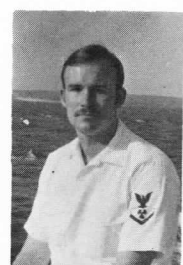
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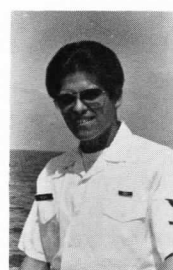
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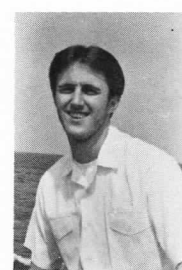
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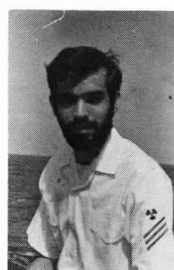
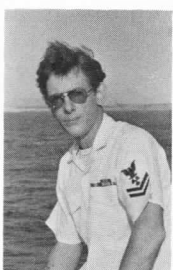
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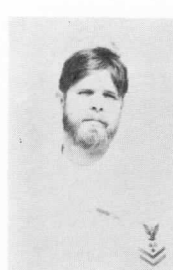
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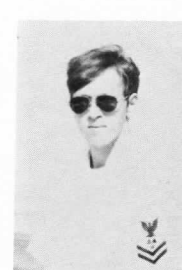
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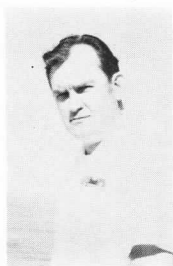
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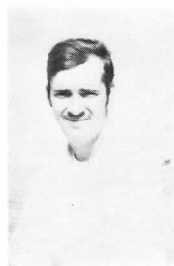
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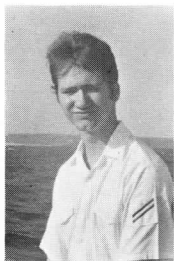
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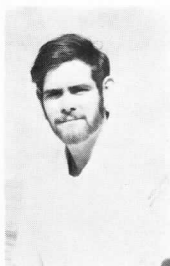


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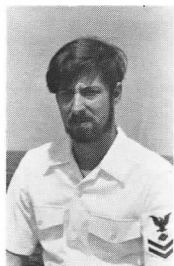


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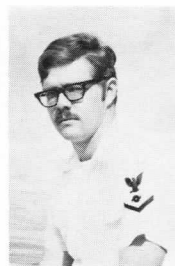
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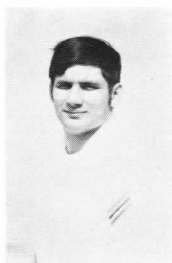
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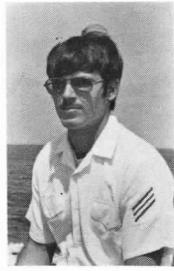


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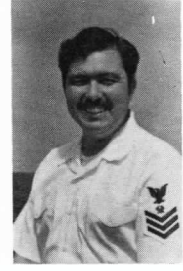
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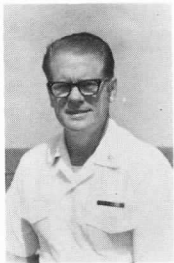
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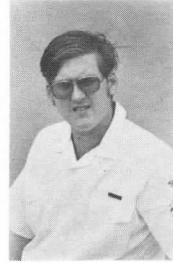
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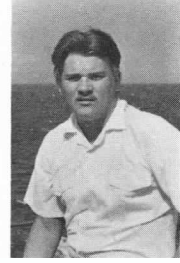
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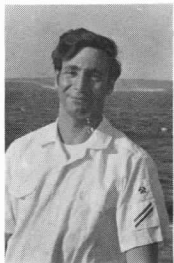
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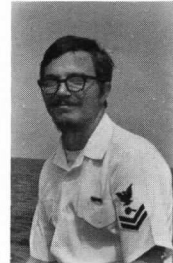
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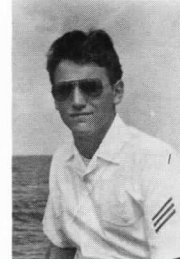
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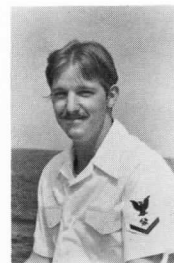
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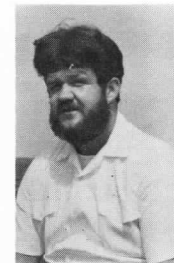
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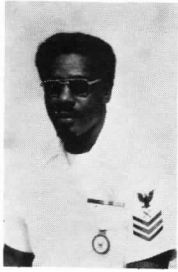
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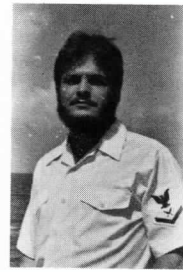
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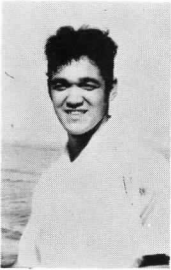
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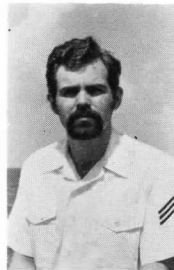
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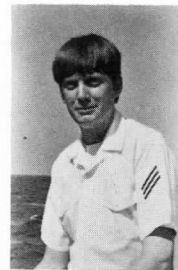
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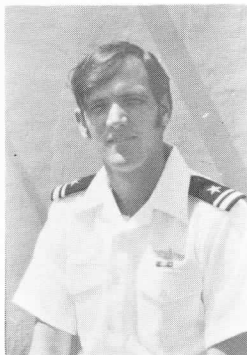


Rebstock YNSN

OPERATIONS



LT S. FRY
Operations Officer



LT JG D. AVERYT
CIC



LT JG S. NERHEIM
Communications



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EMO/EWO

DEPARTMENT



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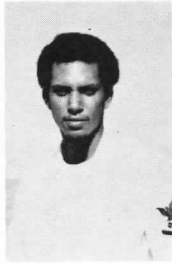


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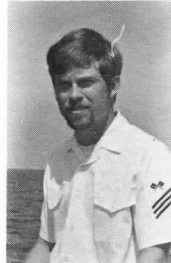
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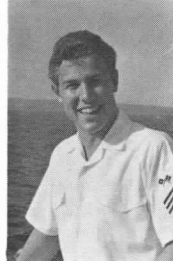
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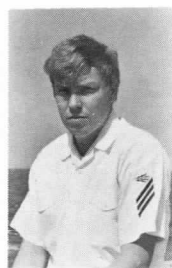
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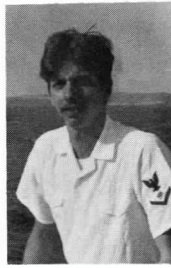


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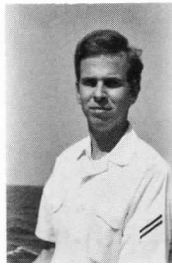


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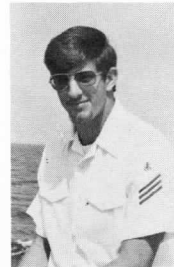


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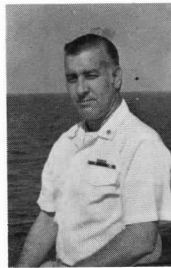
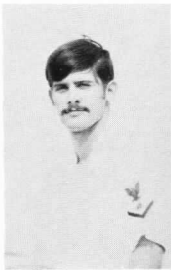
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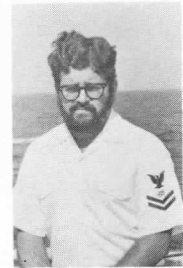
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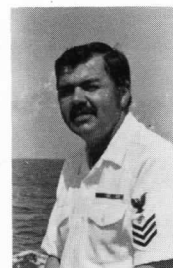
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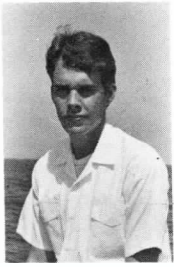
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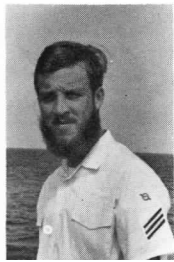
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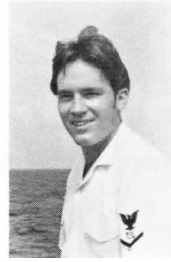
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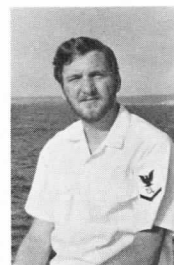


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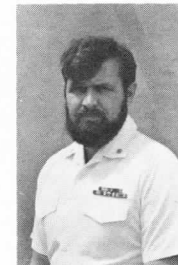


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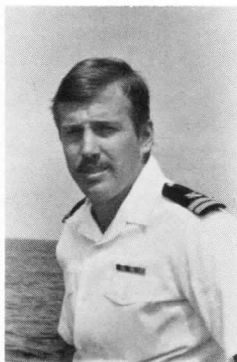


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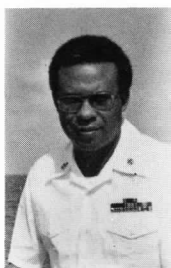
SUPPLY DEPARTMENT



LT R. SHARY
Supply Officer



ENS. R. CUNNINGHAM
Disbursing Officer



SKCS N. GALLOWAY



MSC PADILLA



Tabig MS-1



Amargo MS-1



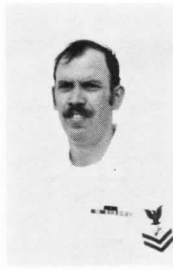
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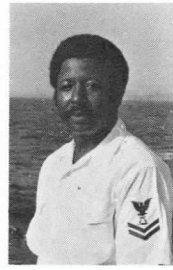
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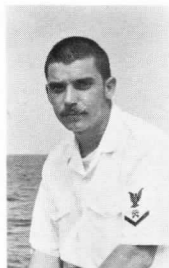
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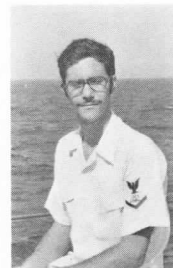
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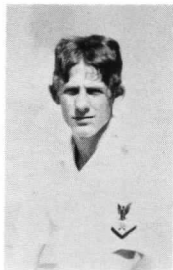
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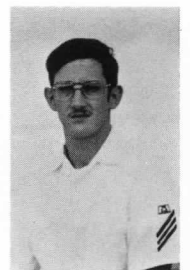
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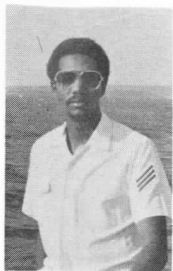
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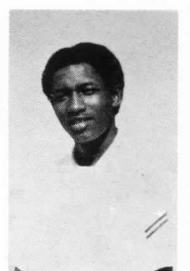
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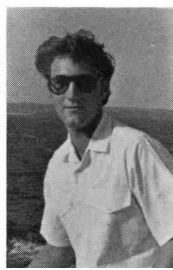
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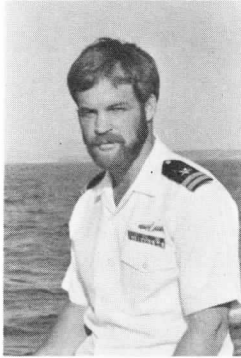


Watson SHSN



Tuchton MSSA

WEAPONS DEPARTMENT



LT. J. BLAUE
Weapons Officer



LT J. THORNTON
Weapons Officer



LT JG J. THOMAS
Missile Officer



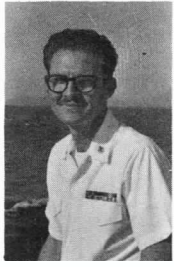
LT JG F. MILSTER
Antisubmarine Officer



LTZ2 M. WOUTERS, RNL
Asst. Gunnery



ENS. M. FREEMAN
1st. Lt.



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Harrel GMT-1



Miller STG-1



Bartolacci STG-2

A/S



Locke STG-2



Grate TM-3

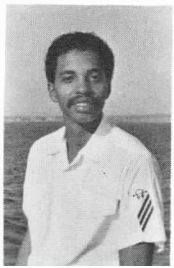


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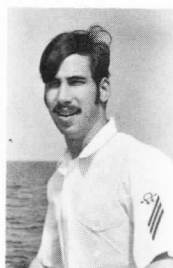


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DIVISION



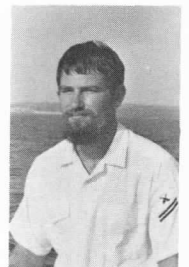
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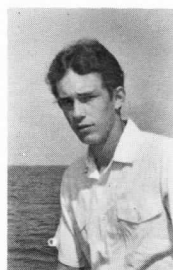
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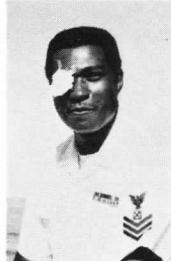


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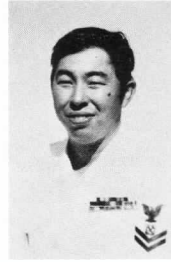
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Ueda BM-2



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Hamilton SN



Sample SN



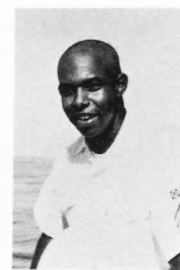
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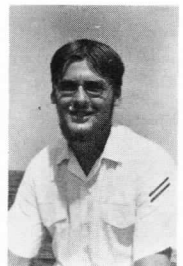
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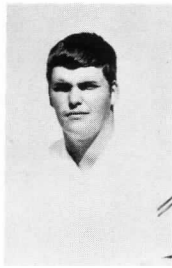
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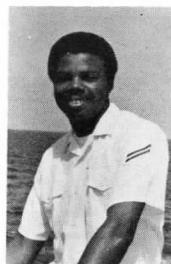


Cook SA

**First
Division**



Ladd SN



Badger BM-3



Terriquez SA



Starret FTM-1



Armstrong GMT-1



Doyle FTM-2



Bremmen FTM-2



Clark GMM-2



McCray FTM-2



Carnes FTG-2



Riojas FTM-2

Second Division



Lillie FTM-2



Geoge FTM-2



Anzuini FTM-2



Schornak FTM-3

SECOND DIVISION



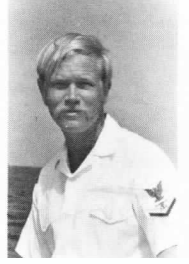
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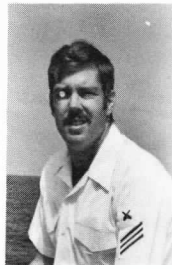
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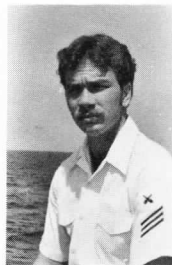
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Gibbs FTMSA



Martin GMGSN



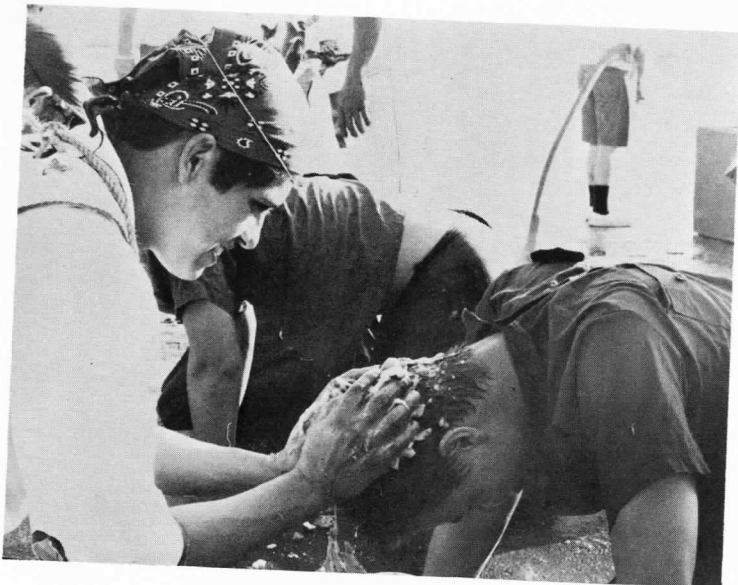
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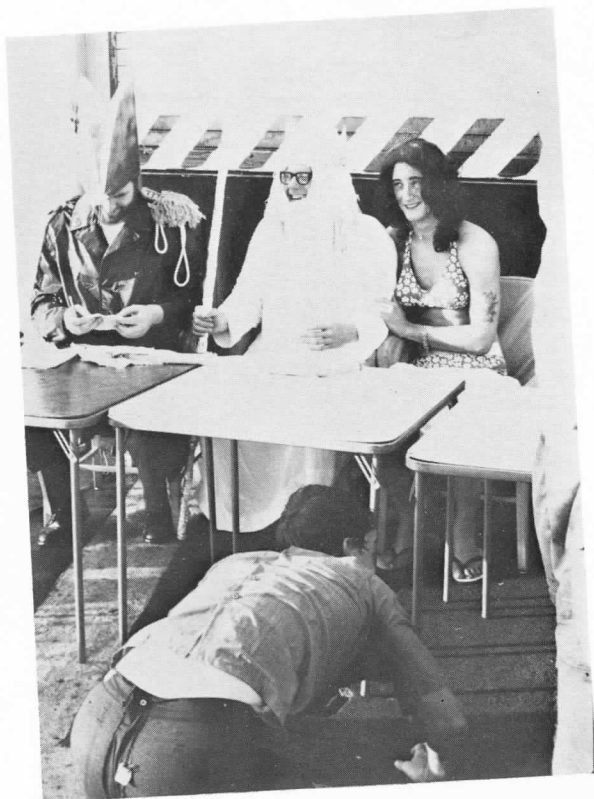


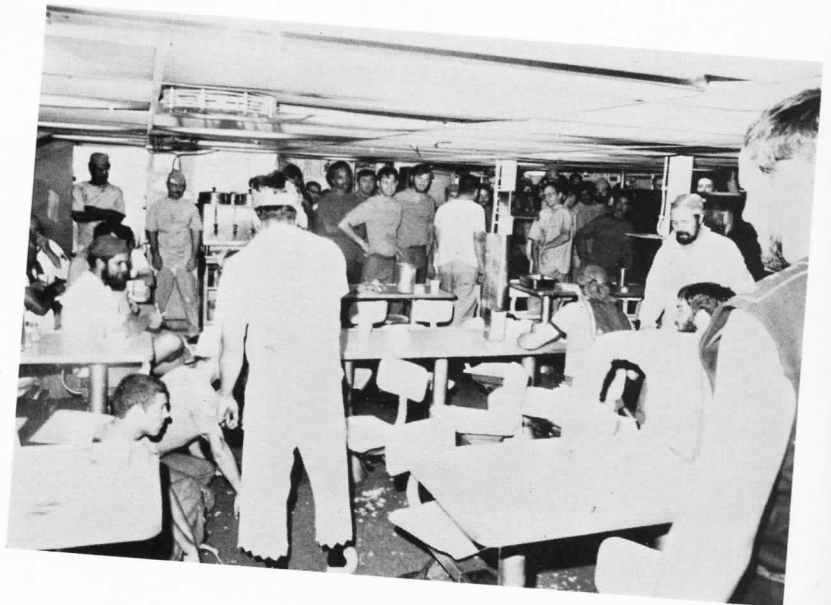
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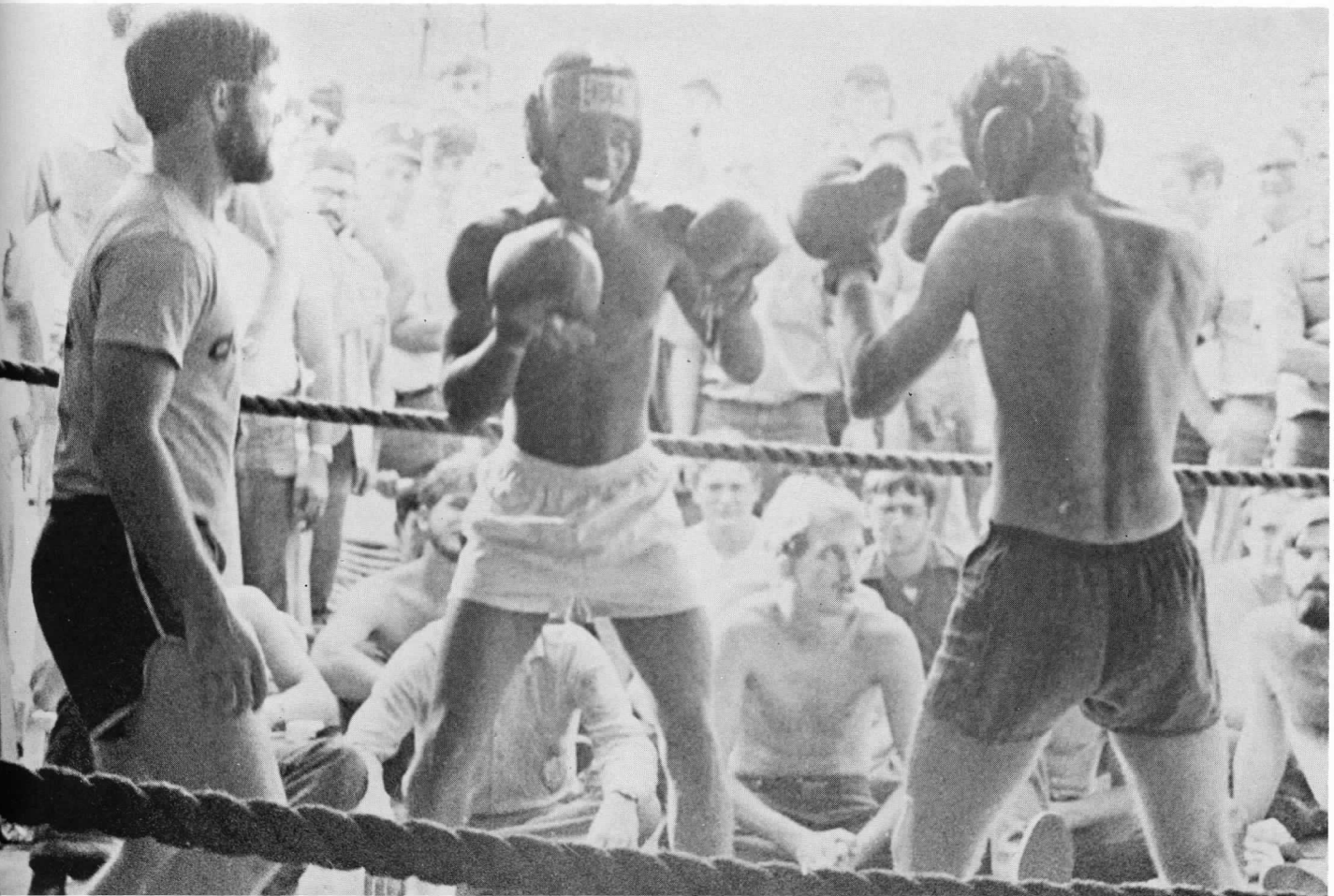




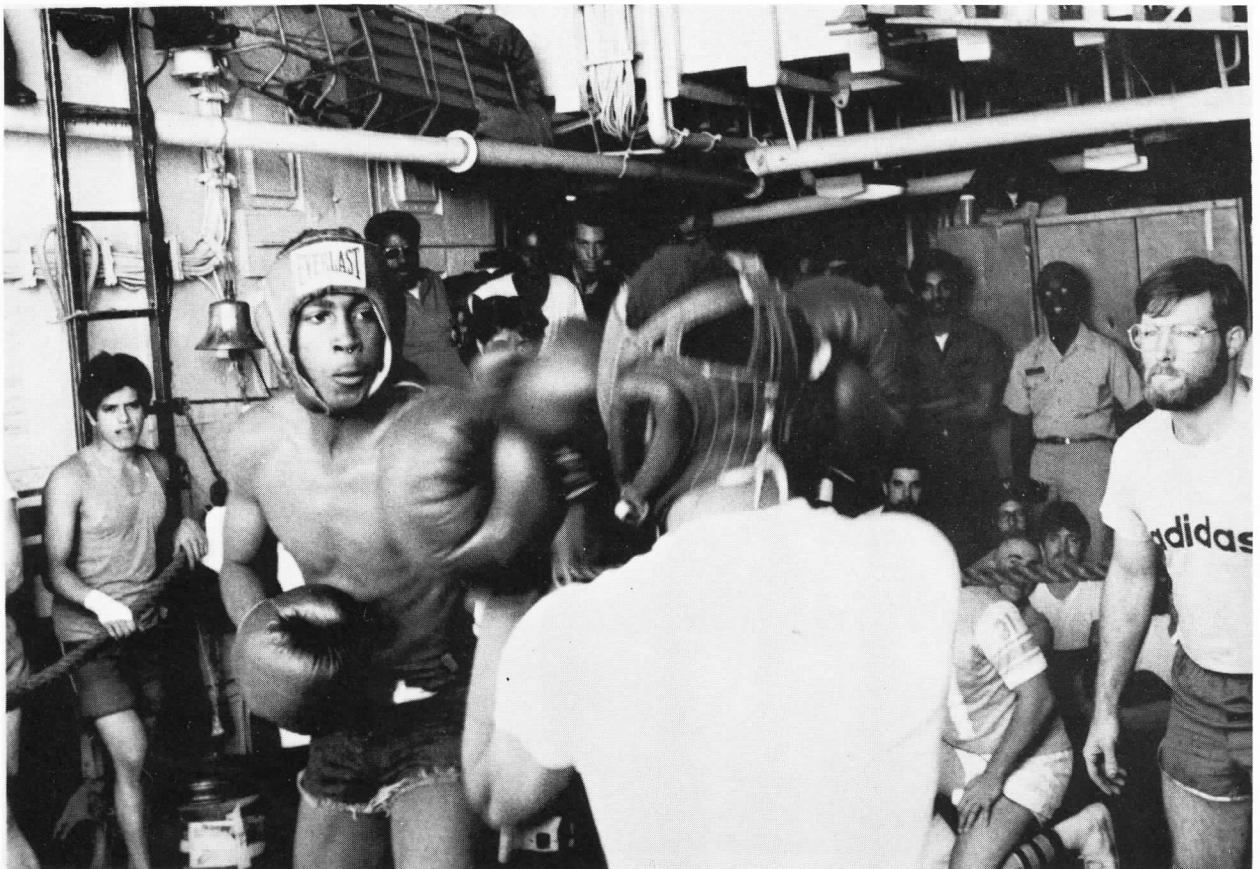
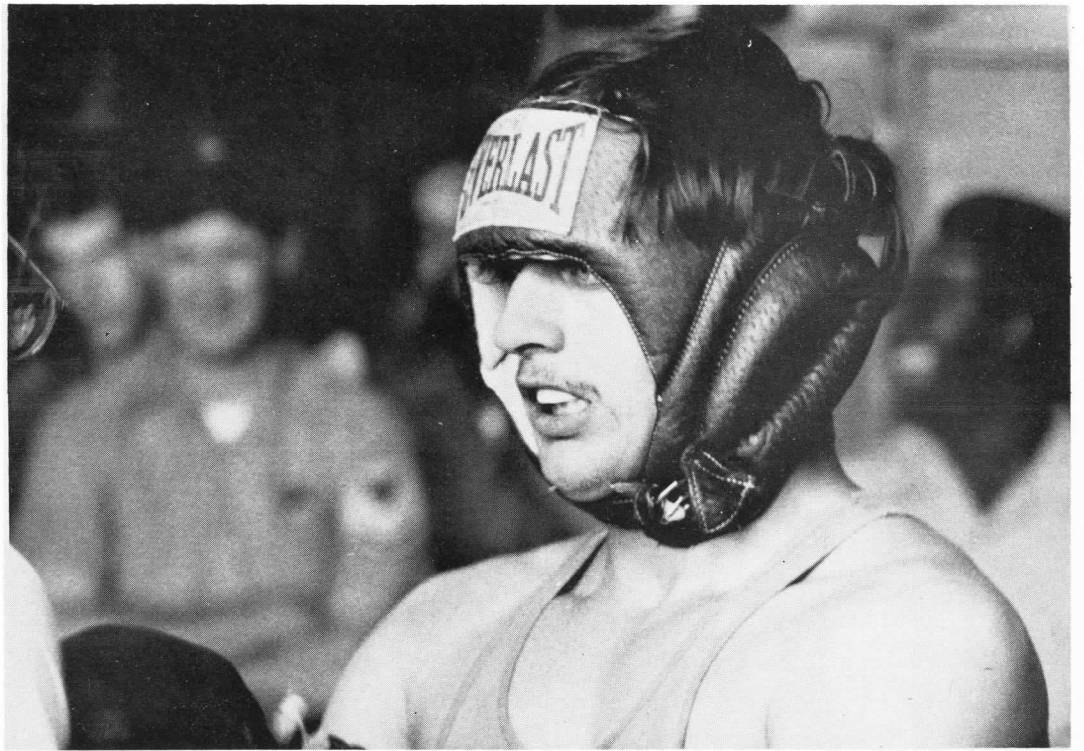




Thrill of Victory . . .



. . . Agony of Defeat.



***Man may work from sun to sun,
But sailor's work is never done!***





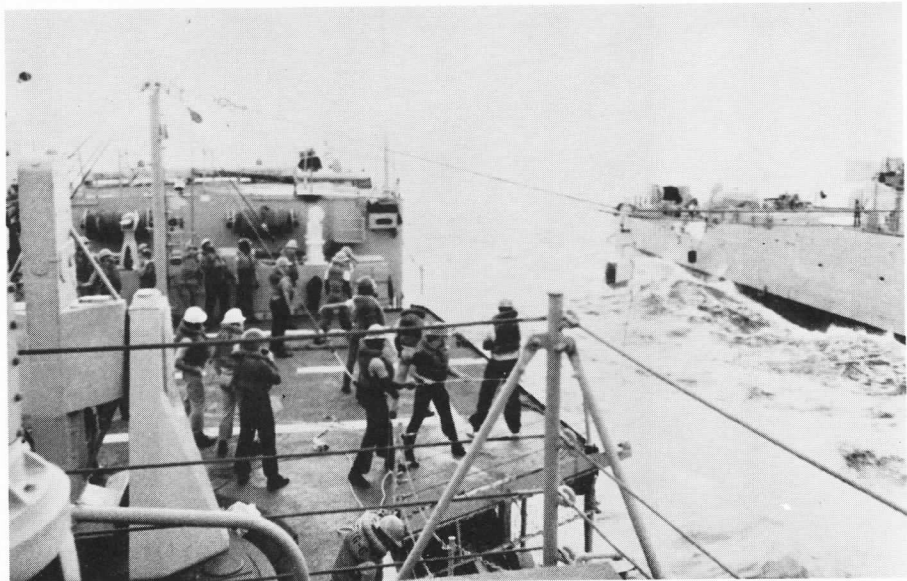












TRIVIA

PAID OUT FOR PAYDAYS \$417,012.00

SHIPS STORE STOCK SOLD \$ 72,139.25

CANNED SODAS SOLD 2866 cases or
68,784 cans
worth \$ 17,196.00

FUEL OIL USED ON
MID EAST DEPLOYMENT 2,566,738 gal.

PRICE OF FUEL USED
(BASED ON 40c/GAL) \$1,026,695.20

ENGINE MILES MADE
DURING MID EAST DEPLOYMENT 41,264 miles



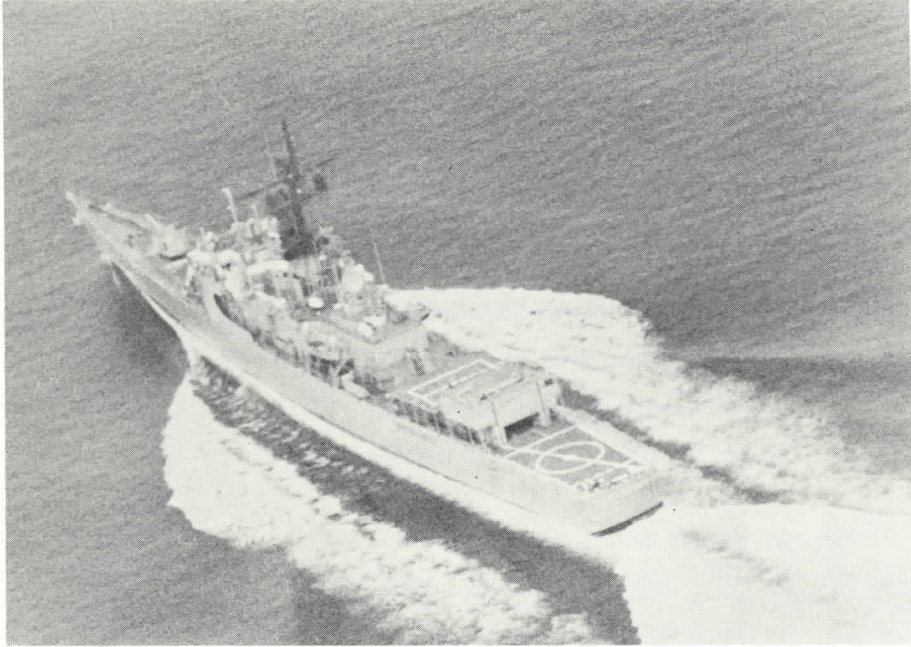
**At
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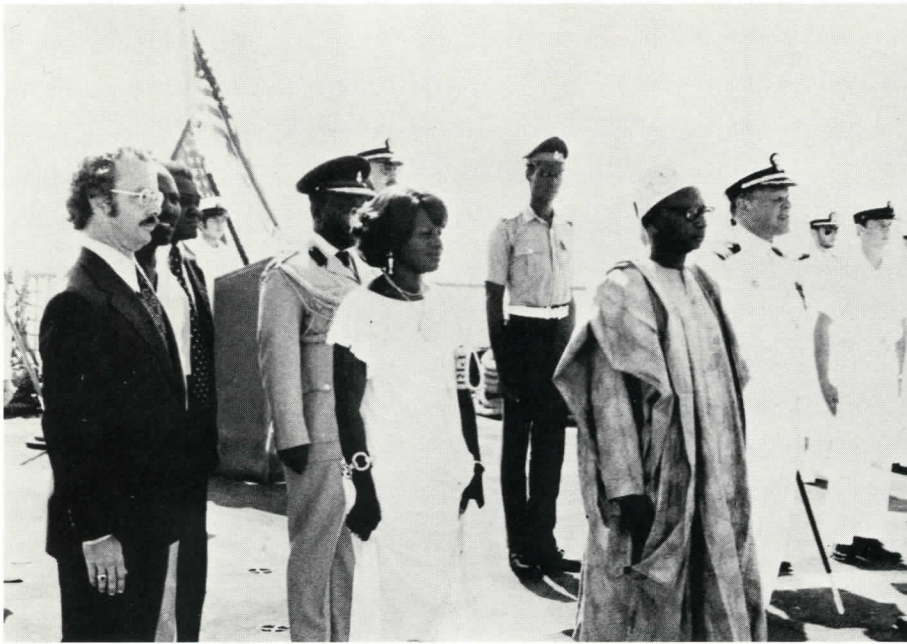
**Or
At
Play . . .**







*. . . Furer sailors will be remembered
for their outstanding achievements.*



FM COMCRUDESGRU TWO
TO USS JULIUS A FURER
INFO COMDESRON FOUR
BT

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WELCOME HOME

1. IT IS WITH PRIDE AND PLEASURE THAT ALL OF US IN THE CHARLESTON NAVAL COMMUNITY WELCOME HOME JULIUS A FURER FROM A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL DEPLOYMENT. THE PROFESSIONAL RESPONSE OF JULIUS A FURER TO SHORT-NOTICE DEPLOYMENT TASKING ARE REMEMBERED WITH GREAT ADMIRATION. DURING DEPLOYMENT, YOUR SUPERB PERFORMANCE AS GOODWILL AMBASSADORS, IN WEST AFRICA AND IN THE MIDDLE EAST, HAVE SET EXAMPLES FOR ALL TO FOLLOW.

2. PLEASE CONVEY MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION AND WELL DONE TO ALL HANDS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR MUCH DESERVED HOMECOMING AND REUNION WITH YOUR LOVED ONES. VADM GIBBONS

BT

ONCE I LOVED

*Once I loved the wind as it blew
down from the mountains over the land.*

*Once I loved the touch of the sun
almost as much as the touch of a hand.*

*And once I loved the smell of the sea,
the feel of the waves rolling over me.*

*Sea and sand, air and sky,
Once I loved, once I loved.*

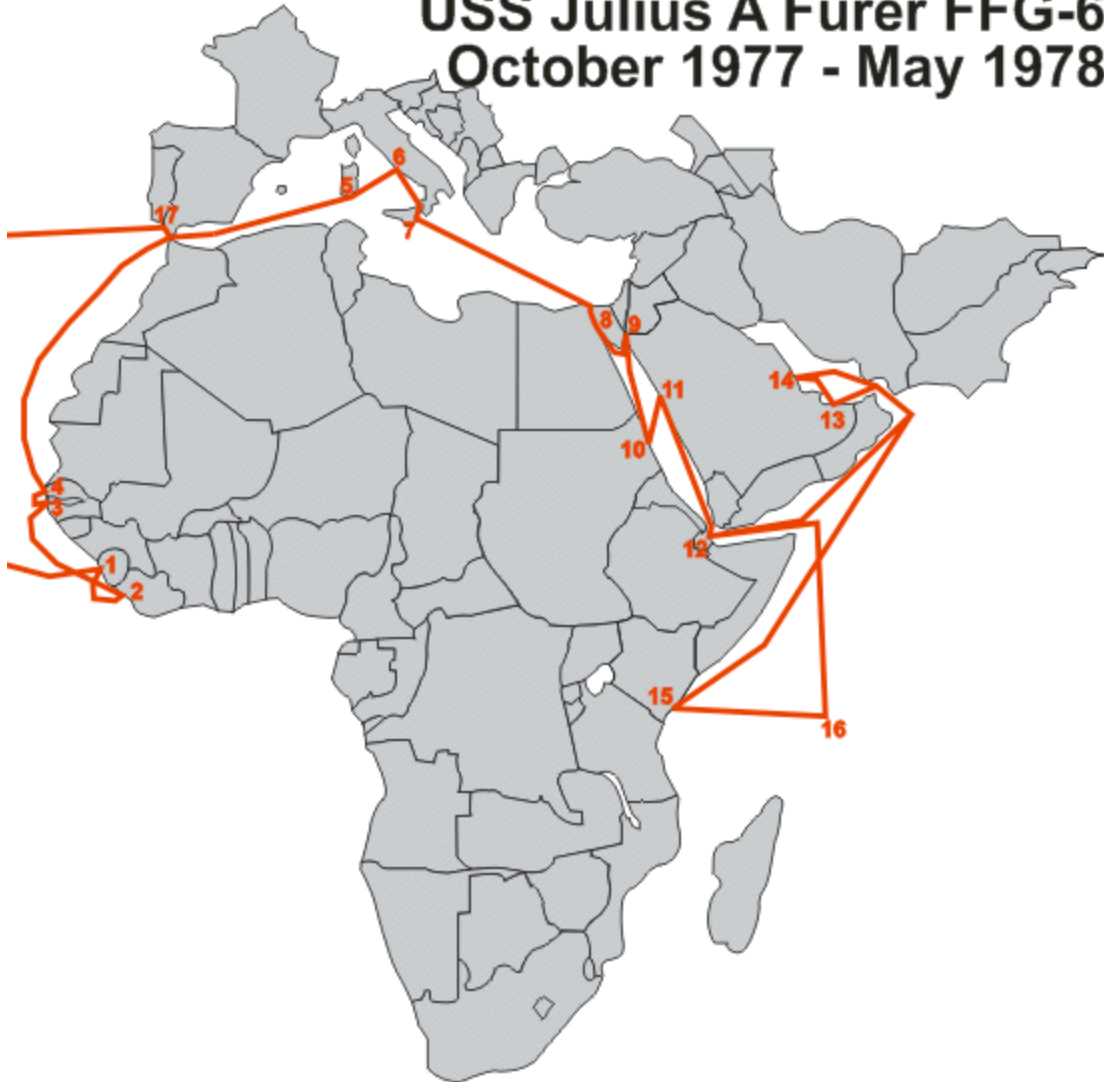
*Once I loved all of God's things
that grow on the earth and cover the land.*

*Air and sky, sea and sand,
Once I loved but never till now.*

– Rod McKuen



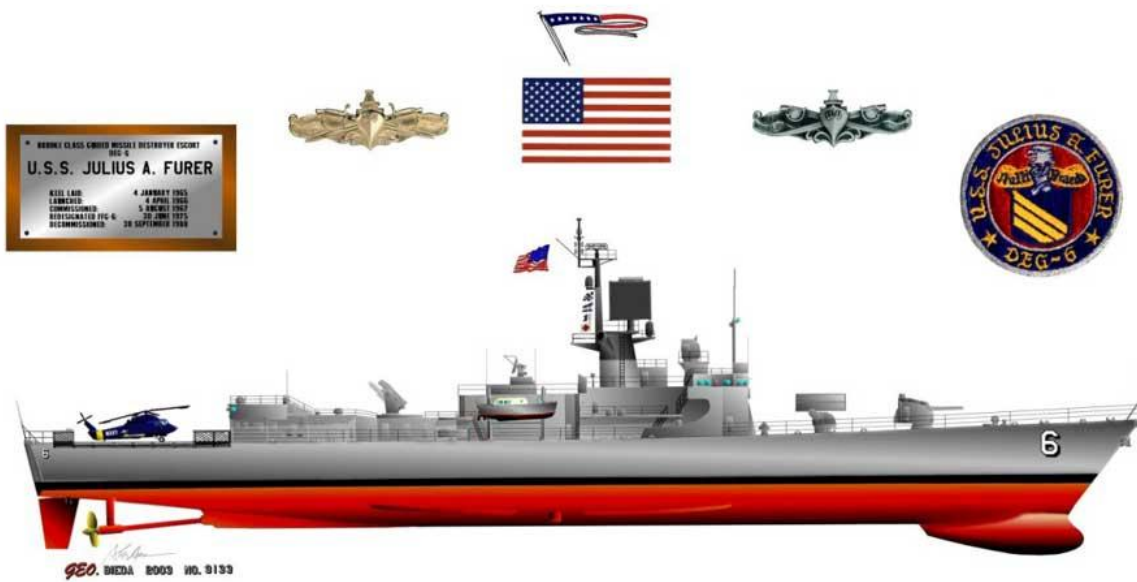
USS Julius A Furer FFG-6 October 1977 - May 1978



1. Freetown, Sierra Leone
2. Monrovia, Liberia
3. Banjul, Gambia
4. Dakar, Senegal
5. Cagliari, Italy
6. Naples, Italy
7. Syracuse, Italy
8. Suez Canal, Egypt
9. Aqaba, Jordan
10. Port Sudan, Sudan
11. Jidda, Saudi Arabia
12. Djibouti, Afars and Issas
13. Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
14. Bahrain, Bahrain
15. Mombasa, Kenya
16. Victoria, Seychelles
17. Rota, Spain



Victoria, Seychelles 15JAN78



ROBBER CLASS GUIDED MISSILE DESTROYER ESCORT
 1000'S
U.S.S. JULIUS A. FURER
 KEEL Laid 4 JANUARY 1965
 LAUNCHED 6 APRIL 1966
 COMPLETION 5 AUGUST 1967
 DELIVERED TO USN 20 JUNE 1968
 DECOMMISSIONED 28 SEPTEMBER 1989

BUILT BY BATH IRON WORKS CORP. AT BATH MAINE

USS JULIUS A. FURER DEG 6

DISPLACEMENT: 3426 TONS
 DIMENSIONS: 415 FT LONG; 44.5 FT BEAM; 24 FT DRAFT
 MAIN MACHINERY: 2-1200PSI 1-GEARED STEAM TURBINE SET; 1 SHAFT; 35,000 SHP FOR 27.2 KTS
 ARMAMENT: 1-5 INCH 38 CAL GUN; 1-8 CELL ASROC LAUNCHER; 1-SINGLE MK22 LAUNCHER FOR TARTAR/STANDARD MR MISSILE; 2-TRIPLE TUBE LAUNCHERS FOR MK46 TORPEDO
 HELICOPTER: SH-2 LAMPS HELICOPTER
 COMPLEMENT: 17 OFFICERS & 219 ENLISTED MEN

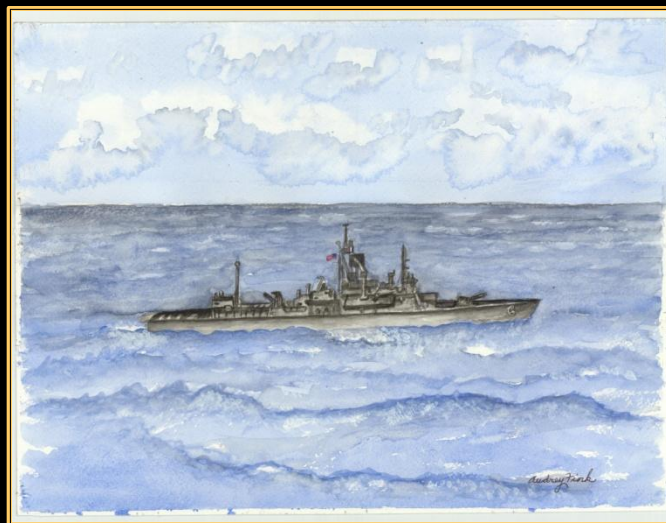


Mrs. Audrey K. Fink is a Mom, artist, and teacher from Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Her husband Winnie was a B-29 air crewman during the 1940s. Several others of their family also are veterans.

This is her first-ever painting of a Navy ship, one she knows only from a photograph and a former crewman.

Her artwork is her honor to the men and women who maintain the tradition to serve in the US Armed Forces.

The exhibition is our honor to Audrey, and to all Moms.



USS Julius A Furer (DEG/FFG 6), 1967-1989

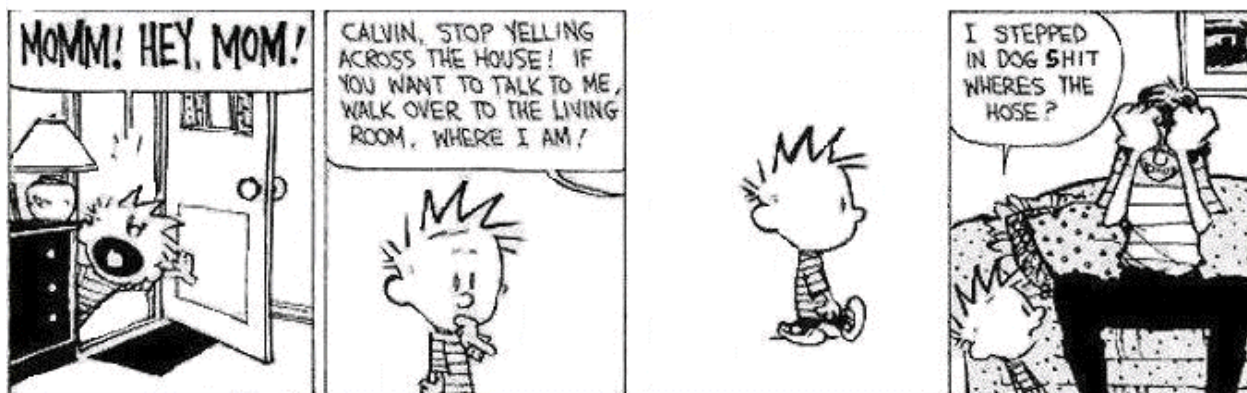
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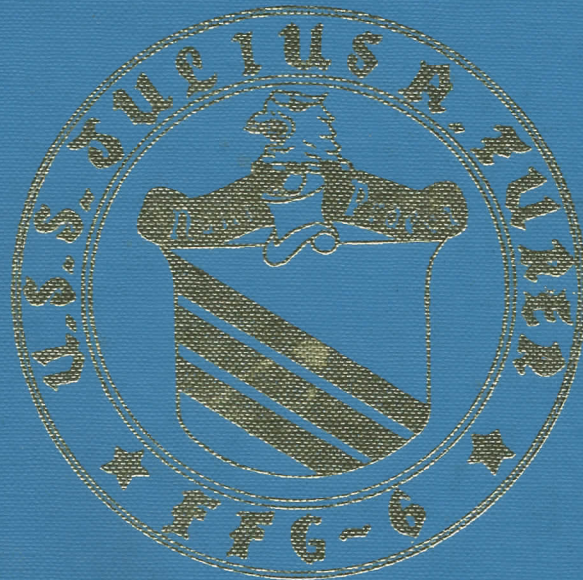
*To all those Furer chiefs and officers that I
ever cursed, defied, or sometimes even lied to...*

*You made me a better person, despite myself.
So this one's for you, and...*

Thank You!

Sometimes there is a particularly bad twelve-letter word that is appropriate...George Carlin suggested two choices.





Life in the fast lane...

**WEST AFRICA – MIDDLE EAST
CRUISE**

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...Good girls go to Heaven; bad girls go everywhere!