



## USS VALLEY FORGE LPH-8 FLEET POST OFFICE SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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From: Commanding Officer, USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8)

To: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: History of the USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8) for the year of 1964;

submission of

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5750.7

1. In accordance with reference (a), the history of USS VALLEY FORGE (LPH-8) for the year 1964 is hereby submitted.

- a. Commanding Officers and periods served.
  - (1) Captain John E. PARKS, USN; 1 January to 24 September.
  - (2) Captain C. N. CONATSER, USN; 24 September to 31 December.
- b. Principal ship movements and engagements.
  - (1) Refresher Training, 27 January to 21 February, off San Diego.
  - (2) Amphibious Training, 2-7 March, off San Diego.
  - (3) Western Pacific Cruise, 20 March to 5 November, Orient
  - (4) ORI, 20-21 April, Subic Bay, Philippines.
  - (5) Exercise "Ligtas", 29 May to 8 June, Mindoro, Philippines.
- (6) On Station South China Sea, 5 August to 30 September, off Viet Nam.
  - (7) On Station South China Sea, 5-14 October, off Viet Nam.
  - c. Major conversions and periods out of service.
- (1) Fleet Rennovation and Moderization overhaul (FRAM II) in these Long Beach Naval Ship Yard, 1-15 January.
  - d. Any special awards or outstanding events.
    - (1) Green "C" Award for excellence in communications.





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- (2) 1963 Chief of Naval Operations Weather Service Award, Surface Observation, received in July, 1964.
- (3) Battle Efficiency "E" for excellence in competitive year ending 30 June 1964.
  - (4) Hash Mark on previous "E" Award on forward 37-Director.
  - (5) Second Hash Mark on previous "E" Award on Gun Mount 53.

C. R. Conatser

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