

Captain Paul A. Peck, Commanding

Captain Paul A. Peck, a native of Birmingham, Michigan, has been in the Navy for 29 years. In this time he has served in numerous assignments at sea and ashore, including a tour with the Naval Air Training Command at Pensacola, Florida and the Naval Air Systems Command. Captain Peck was assigned to the commissioning crew of the USS KITTY HAWK as the Air Operations Officer. From 1963 to 1965 he served as the Commanding Officer of Attack Squadron 94. Then came a tour of duty at the Bureau of Naval Personnel in Washington, D.C. Captain Peck assumed command of Attack Carrier Air Wing NINE in July 1967, participating in the Vietnamese conflict from the USS ENTERPRISE. In 1968 he joined the staff of the Commander Naval Air Forces, Pacific Fleet at San Diego, California. In November 1971, Captain Peck was ordered to the USS DUBUQUE (LPD-8) as Commanding Officer. On November 2, 1972 he relieved Captain William H. Harris as Commanding Officer of the USS CORAL SEA. Among his medals are a Bronze Star and two Distinguished Flying Crosses. Captain Peck holds a B.S. from Northwestern University and a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree from the University of San Diego. Captain Peck is married to the former Betty Mae Aeunert, and they have three daughters.



FACING Captain Peck on the bridge. He is responsible for the safety, well being and morale of his command as well as for its mission. *LEFT* Captain Peck cuts a cake. *ABOVE* Captain Peck in the TV Studio answers questions phoned in by the crew. *BELOW* Captain Peck leaves on one of the many calls he must make in port.

