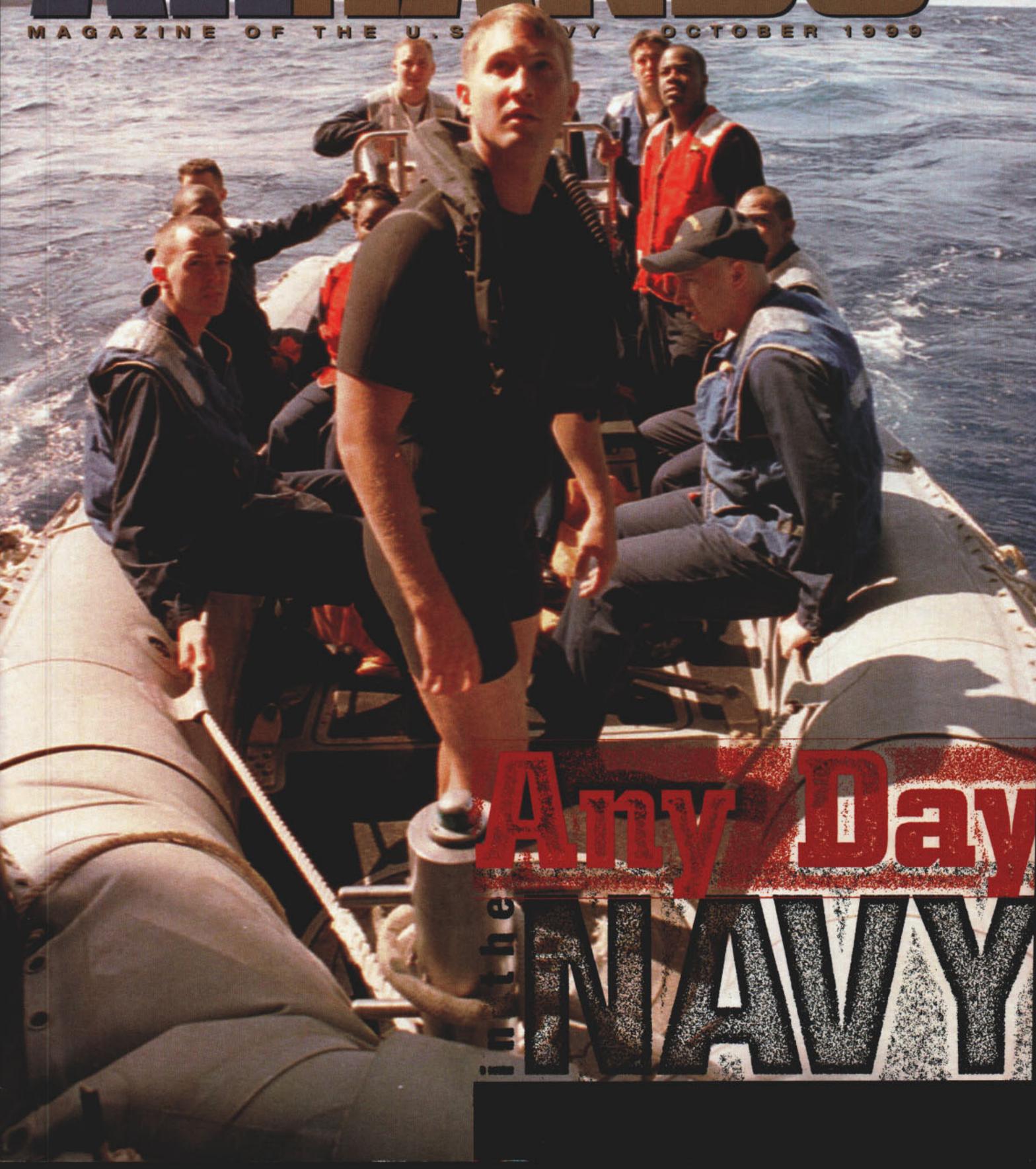


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Congratulations!

You've just fallen into our trap, and proven what magazine editors have known for years: A picture's worth a thousand words.

Be honest ... your eyes scanned the images on this page before you ever got to this text, didn't they? Or maybe you skimmed the entire magazine before coming here. ...

The photos provided by Sailors throughout the fleet for our annual "Any Day in the Navy" issue are the draw – and this month, image is

everything. You won't find the usual stories and columns inside, but it can be argued we're providing more stories in this issue than we have in all of 1999.

Each picture tells a story. The photos speak volumes. These are images that tell us something about ourselves – the men and women of the U.S. Navy. They illustrate the fact that during the week of May 23-29, 1999, nearly 40 percent of our 323 ships were

underway, and 93 of those were forward deployed. They show the Navy participated in 10 exercises, steamed tens of thousands of nautical miles, launched and recovered hundreds of aircraft, conducted countless shipboard drills, and most importantly, was a key factor in maintaining global peace and stability.

Within these covers are images that capture a split-second of humanity in a turbulent world.

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▼ A P-3C *Orion* attached to Patrol Squadron (VP) 64, Willow Grove, Pa., prepares for launch from Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, in support of anti-drug operations in the Caribbean.

Photo by PH1(AW) Glenn E. Sircy



There are photos that go beyond the surface; some show inner beauty and strength, some almost radiate energy and emotion. Some will touch your heart. Not all of the pictures will win photo contests; many may not have even made it home in a letter. But they all show the Honor, the Courage and the Commitment it takes to serve in the world's finest Navy.

More than 1,500 submissions were received for this year's *Any*

Day in the Navy issue, and the task of whittling them down was daunting. The staff of *All Hands* greatly appreciates the efforts of everyone who took the time to help document this incredible, yet incredibly common week – this week we call *Any Day in the Navy*.

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Crew members of USS *Gonzales* (DDG 66) dock at the fantail of USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71) to drop off Sailors and acquire a new complement of them. The two ships are participating in an exchange program that lets each ships' Sailors see how the others live and work.

Photo by PH3(AW) Donne' McKissic

Back cover: A03 Garyon Ford of Dallas, Tightens a stabilizing fin on a GBU-16 laser-guided bomb onboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71).

Photo by PH3(AW) Donne' McKissic



"You are what we call the steel in
the Sword of Freedom. And you are
at the very tip of that sword,"

—Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen aboard
USS Independence (CV 62) Yokosuka, Japan, Jan. 21, 1998



◀ GM1 Dan Cordona, a native of San Antonio, relays information back to USS *Hewitt* (DD 966) during the boarding of a merchant vessel in the Arabian Gulf.

Photo by PH1 Spike Call

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◀ CW02 Todd W. Devoe, from San Diego, has a bird's-eye view as he performs his second of two SPIE (Special Patrol Insertion Extraction) exercises over Orote Point, Guam.

Photo by PH3 Andrew Meyers

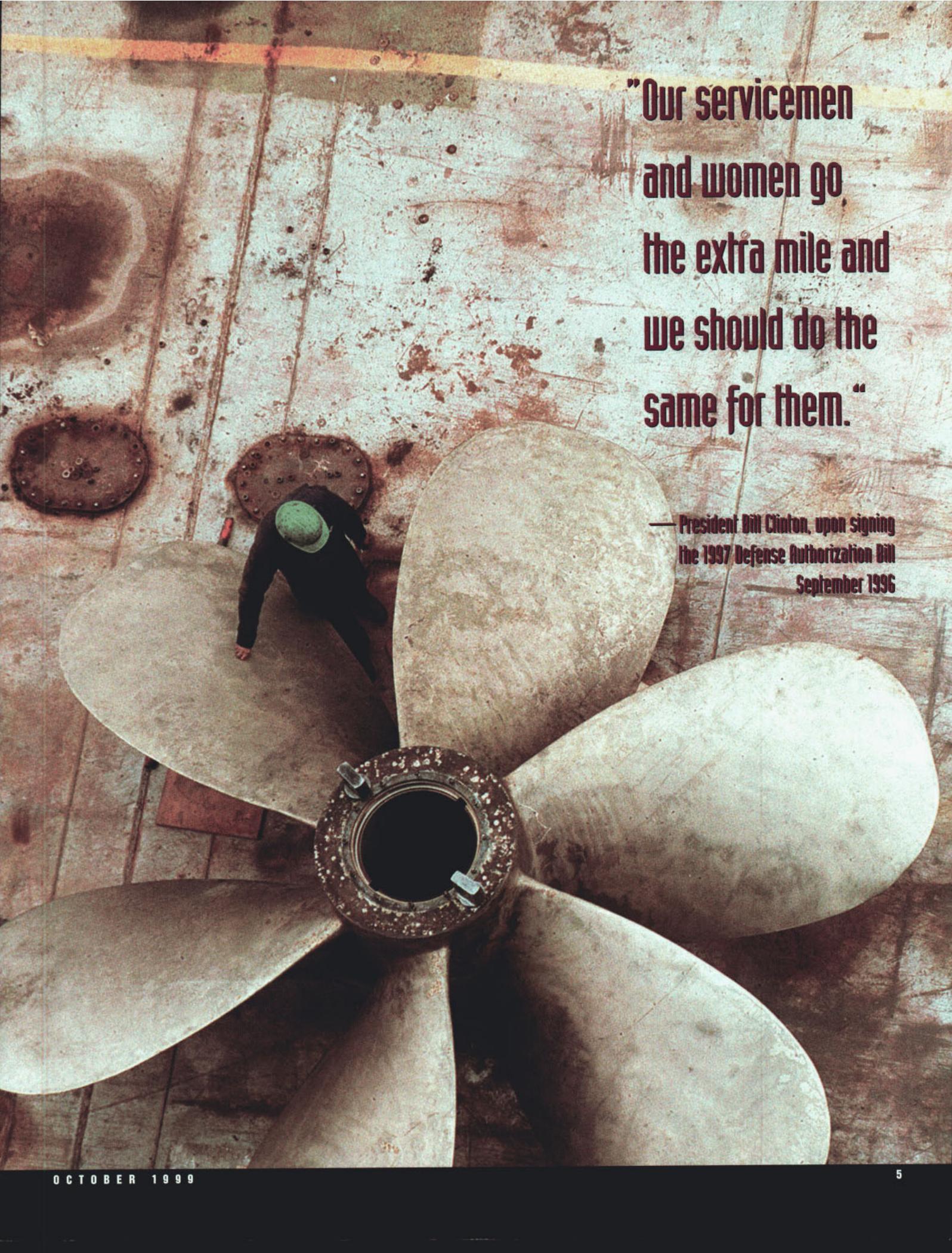
▶ A shipyard worker from the National Steel Shipbuilding Company (NASSCO) inspects one of the screws from USS *Essex* (LHD 2). *Essex* underwent a Dry-docking Phased Maintenance Availability at NASSCO in San Diego.

Photo by J01(SW/FMF) S.A. Thornbloom



▲ The blue shirts of V-1 division aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74) stand by to move ramp assemblies in preparation to rig the barricade for emergency drills at sea.

Photo by PH3 Mike Larson



**"Our servicemen
and women go
the extra mile and
we should do the
same for them."**

**— President Bill Clinton, upon signing
the 1997 Defense Authorization Bill
September 1996**



▼ A "Take Charge and Move Out" mission requires that aircrews be prepared to deploy 365 days a year, so maintenance is done in a timely and safe manner. AEAN Cody Schultz inspects the intake of one of four E-6A CFM 56 turbo-fan engines. Schultz, a native of Decatur, Texas, is assigned to the Avionics Division of VQ-4, Hangar Bay 3, Tinker AFB, Okla.

Photo by Dave Faytinger

▲ Replacing engine parts is just one task in the busy day of ADAN Abdul Sesay. Sesay is from the Bronx, N.Y., and works at Air Intermediate Maintenance Dept., Misawa, Japan.

Photo by PH2 Lisa Kay Kwaterski



▶ USS *Greenville* (SSN 772) returns to Pearl Harbor Navy Shipyard after an underway period.

Photo by STS1(SS) Greg Smith

“Our Sailors are operationally focused, they work intensely to better themselves both personally and professionally, and they remain, without question, our greatest asset.”

— ADM Jay Johnson,
Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Naval Institute,
April 23, 1997



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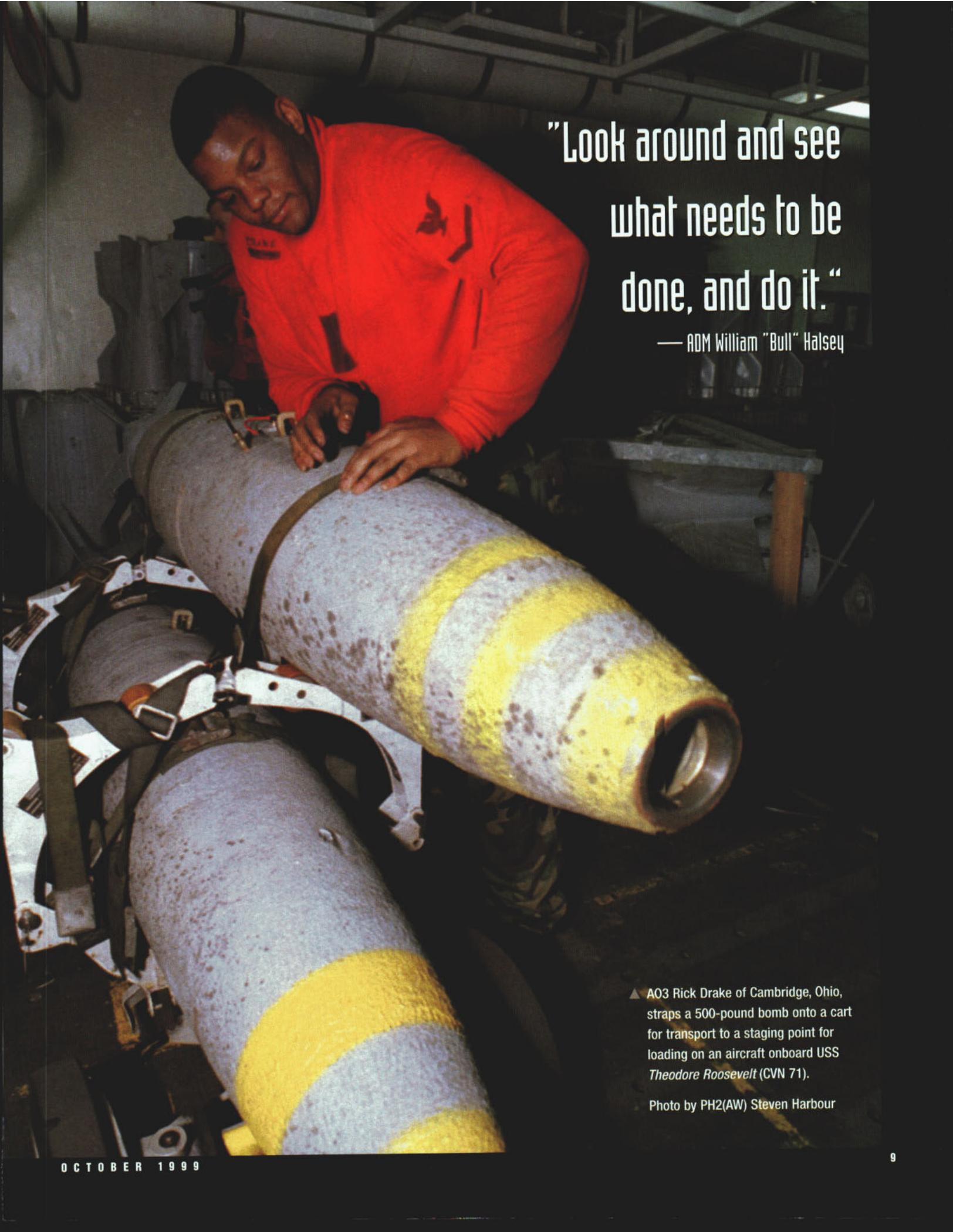
▼ In the early hours of the morning, a crew member from USS *Arctic* (AOE 8) helps load supplies underneath a CH-46 helicopter during a vertical replenishment with USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71).

Photo by PH2 Johnny Grasso

▼ Airmen aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74) race to rig a barricade. This is just one of several arduous duties the flight deck personnel of *Stennis* perform during a Tailored Ship's Training Availability (TSTA).

Photo by LT Wayne S. Grazio



A03 Rick Drake, wearing a bright red flight suit, is focused on securing a large, cylindrical bomb. The bomb is painted with alternating yellow and white horizontal stripes and is mounted on a metal cart. He is using a tool to adjust a strap around the bomb. The setting appears to be the interior of a ship's hangar or deck, with various equipment and structural elements visible in the background.

**"Look around and see
what needs to be
done, and do it."**

—ADM William "Bull" Halsey

▲ A03 Rick Drake of Cambridge, Ohio, straps a 500-pound bomb onto a cart for transport to a staging point for loading on an aircraft onboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71).

Photo by PH2(AW) Steven Harbour

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► Reserve Sailors serve as flag bearers prior to a Medal of Honor dedication ceremony in Indianapolis.

Photo by J01 Robert Benson



"The Navy has both
a tradition and a
future—and we look
with pride and confidence
in both directions."

— ADM George Anderson
CNO, August 1961



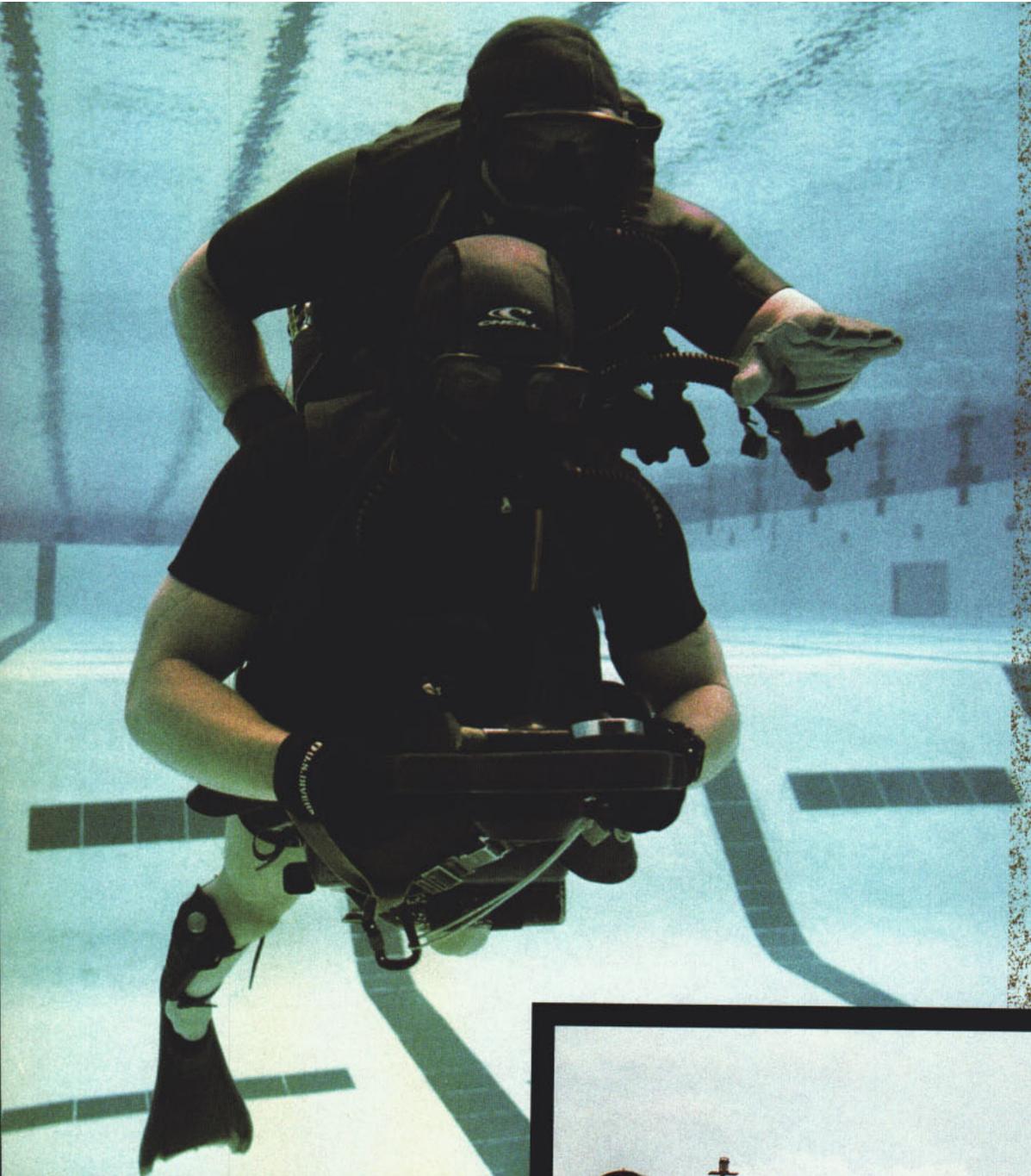
◆ The Drum and Bugle Corp and a company of Midshipmen stand at parade rest during the last Color Parade of the year at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Photo by PH1 Patrick J. Cashin



◆ Band Leader LTJG David Houge of Burlington, N.C., makes sure everyone is on the right page before the 7th Fleet Far East Band begins its concert.

Photo by PH3 Johnny Parker



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▲ Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL instructors PH2 Sean Mruck (top) and HM2 Patrick Babolik simulate a combat dive. Babolik demonstrates the use of an attack board (underwater navigational device) at Naval Amphibious Base North Island, San Diego.

Photo by PH2 Ted Banks

▶ An LCAC from Assault Craft Unit 5 Det. WESTPAC Alpha, U.S. Fleet Activities Sasebo, Japan, launches from Saki Bay for a routine maintenance flight.

Photo by PH1(AW) Essex D. Moore III





► PH3 Marjorie R. McMillen, the production petty officer at Fleet Imaging Center Pacific, Guam, looks over some of the day's photos. McMillen is a native of Hermiston, Ore.

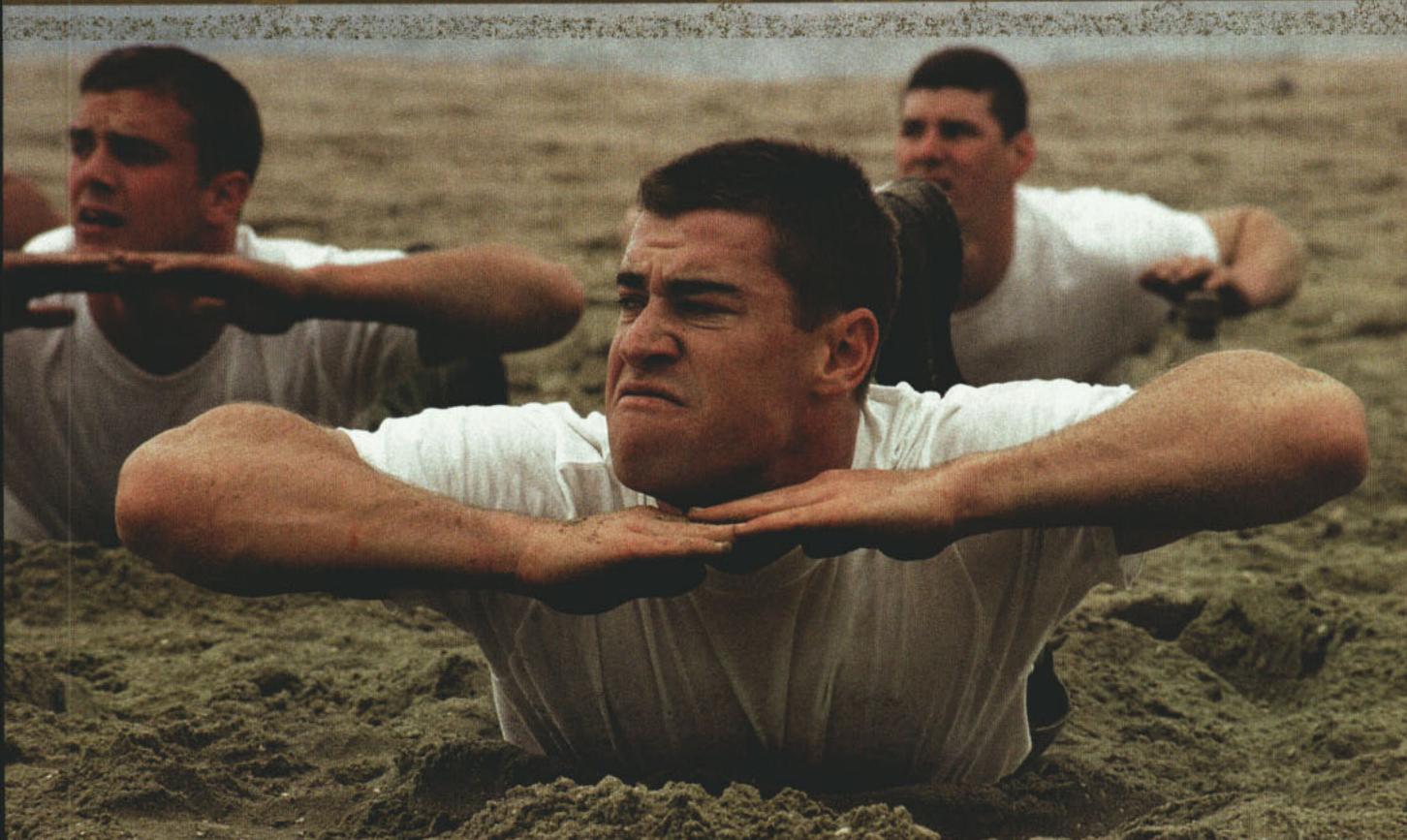
Photo by PH1(SCW/SW) Braxton Plunkett



▲ PN1(AW) Corey A. Hamilton, from Kingsville, Texas, holds his 8-month old son Hunter while attending a retirement ceremony. Hamilton is stationed at PSD Oklahoma City, Tinker AFB and was the 1998 Sailor of the Year for PSD Oklahoma City.

Photo by PH2 Michelle M. Smith

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▲ Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL candidates assigned to the Naval Special Warfare Center, Naval Amphibious Base North Island, San Diego, get dropped on the beach for physical training.

Photo by PH2 Ted Banks

▲ HM2 Autumn Smith, a native of Kirksville, Mo., assigned to Naval Hospital Guam, does pull-ups while OS2(SEAL) Tim Wood of NSWU-1, a Los Angeles native, spots her at the Charles King Gym on the ComNavMarianas main base.

Photo by PHAN Crystal Brooks

“For God’s sake, get
ready and let us strike
a good blow.”

— Secretary of the Navy Paul Hamilton,
in a letter to Commodore John Rodgers
after Congress declared war
against Great Britain in 1812

▼ Dawn breaks through an orange haze over the
flight deck of USS *John F. Kennedy* (CV 67) in
Mayport Naval Station, Mayport, Fla.

Photo by PHAA Chris Moore



▲ ABE3 Jason Shuler of Ft. Worth, Ind., exhausted from a series of early
morning drills, supports a piece of the emergency barricade on the
USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74) flight deck. These Sailors are
participating in the carrier’s Tailored Ship’s Training Availability (TSTA)
evolution off the coast of Southern California.

Photo by PH3 Mike Larson



◀ HN Isabel Ramirez, a native of Los Angeles, prepares hundreds of prescriptions for the crew. The medical department aboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71) provides care for a crew and airwing of more than 5,000 Sailors.

Photo by PH2(AW) Steven Harbour

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▲ OS3 Rocio Smith, from Rota, Spain, stands watch while deployed to the Arabian Gulf.

Photo by PH1 Spike Call

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Prepared for the worst, E03 Sean Riggins jumps into a chemical, biological and radiological (CBR) suit as a cloud of simulated nerve gas begins to drift toward him. The training is part of NMCB 5's urban field exercise in central Okinawa.

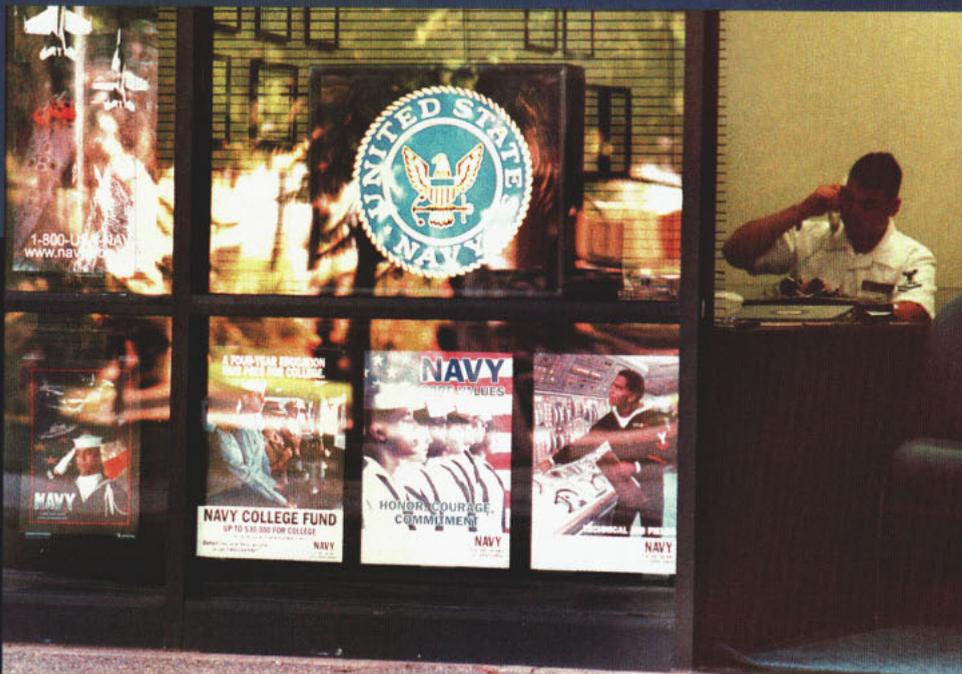
Photo by PH2(SCW) Lou Messing



OS2 Aurello Lopez Pagan (center) of Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, reviews the *UNITAS* Atlantic Phase Schedule of Events. YN1 Dwayne Travis (right) of Livingston, Ala., is editing the operations order.

Photo by LT Jeff Gordon





▶ A02 Jeramy A. Roberts from Marianna, Fla., answers phone calls made by potential recruits at Navy Recruiting Station, Chandler, Ariz. Recruiters rely heavily on telephone contacts to quickly reach as many people as possible.

Photo by PH2(SW/AW) Kevin H. Tierney

▶ E02 Ronald Chaffee of Alma, Mich., operates an excavator at NMCB 133's Navy Housing Demolition Project, Marianas Islands, Guam.

Photo by PH1(NAC) Tammy Trefts

▶ Chase Allvord, 9, son of LT Terry Allvord a crew member on board USS Essex (LHD 2), watches the action of the San Diego-based Navy Baseball Club from the dugout at the Pt. Loma Nazarene College ball field. Allvord is the team's batboy. On this day, Navy beat a visiting Air Force squad from Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., in a double-header.

Photo by J01(SW/FMF) S.A. Thornbloom





"Loyalty down begets loyalty up."

— Commodore Edward Preble

▼ The brigade of Midshipmen salute during the playing of the National Anthem at the 1999 commissioning ceremony at the U.S. Naval Academy.

Photo by PH2 Marie Harmon



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◀ Midshipman 1st Class Kevin Jackson lets out a yell when he sees his family in the stands as he returns to his seat after receiving his diploma from the U.S. Naval Academy.

Photo by PH1 Patrick J. Cashin



▲ PHAN Darryl I. Wood, assigned to USS *Enterprise* (CVN 65), monitors the sit-up portion of the semi-annual physical readiness test.

Photo by PHAN William R Crosby



▲ Officer Candidate School Drill Instructor Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Jonathan Cagle of Lexington, Tenn., checks the alignment of candidates at NAS Pensacola, Fla.

Photo by Scott Hallford

"We have the met the enemy, and they are ours."

— CAPT Oliver Hazard Perry



• Aboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71), Sailors scan through the BUPERS message listing the results of the March 1999 advancement exam.

Photo by PH3(AW) Donne' McKissic

• BMSN Jeremiah J. Rebant from Hiawatha, Kans., takes meticulous care in polishing the brass stars that encircle a profile of Theodore Roosevelt. Rebant serves aboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71) as a team member of Deck Department, Second Division.

Photo by PH3(AW) Donne' McKissic



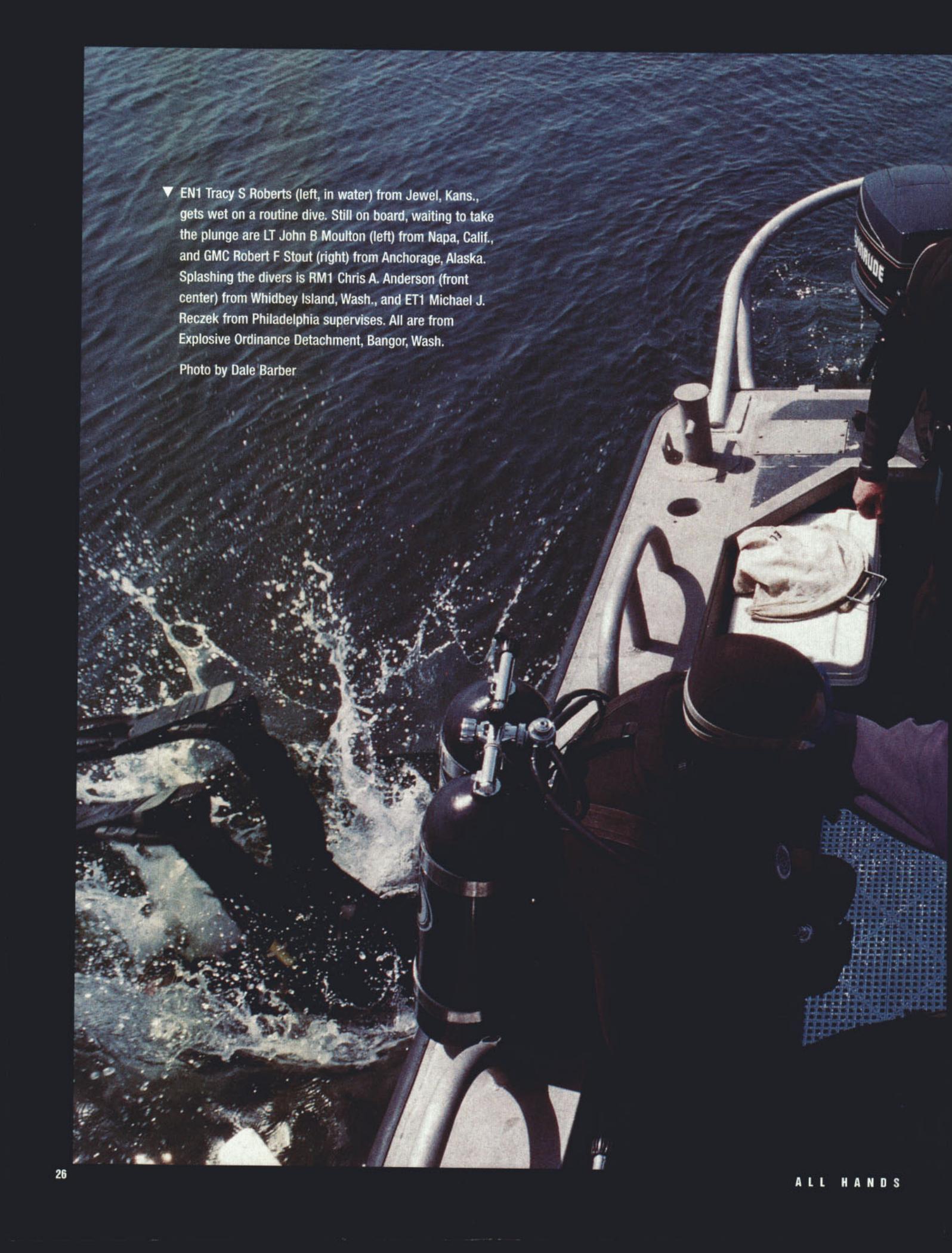
◀ CW02 Todd W. Devoe, of San Diego (above right) and BMCS Daniel Miller of Santa Rita, Guam, (above left) perform SPIE (Special Patrol Insertion, Extraction) training over Apra Harbor, Guam.

Photo by PH3 Andrew Meyers



▲ MU1 Kurt Duer plays the drum solo for John Williams' "Hymn to the Fallen" from the movie "Saving Private Ryan" with the National Symphony Orchestra at the nationally televised National Memorial Day Concert, Washington, D.C.

Photo by MUC Chris Erbe

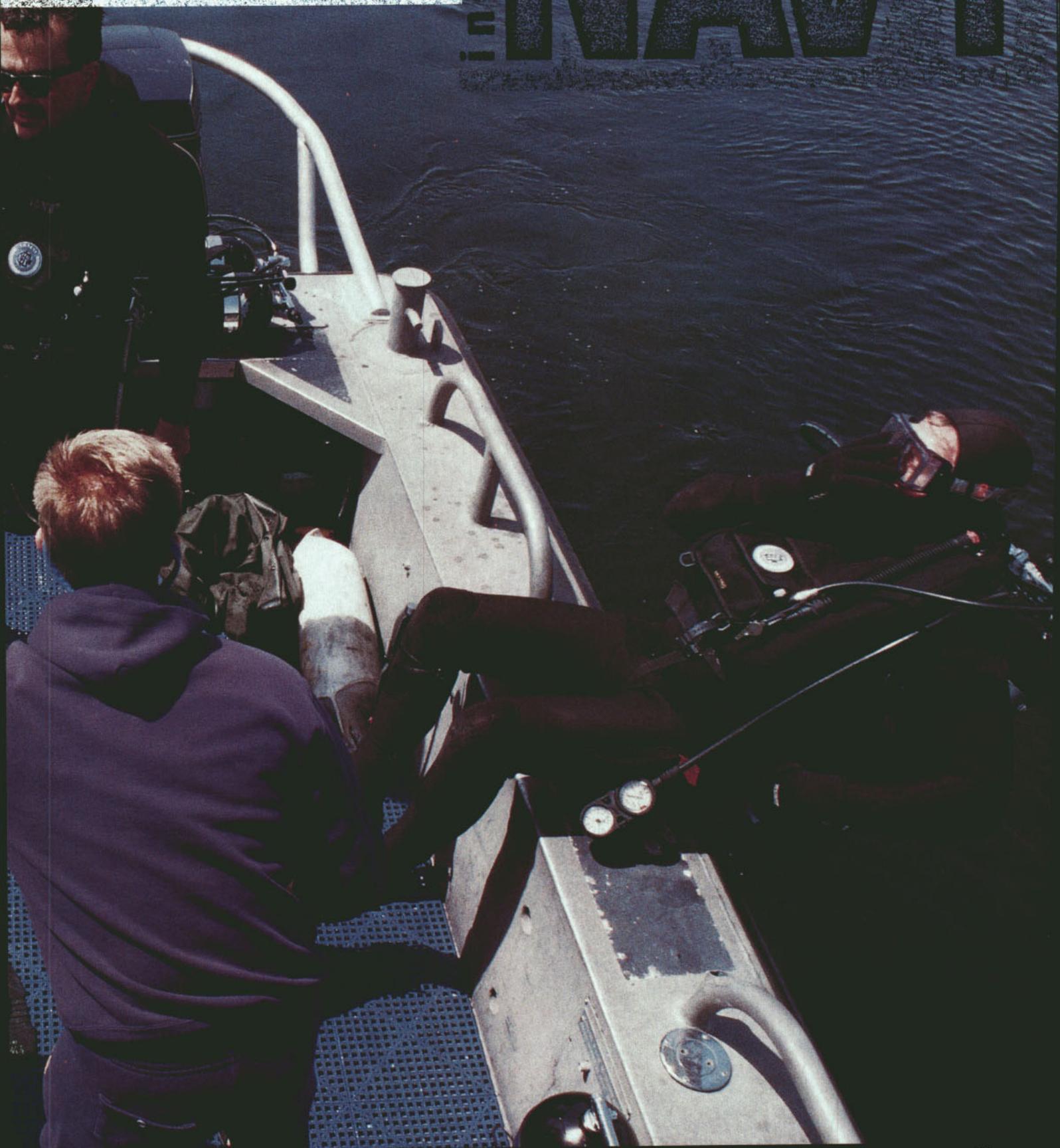


▼ EN1 Tracy S Roberts (left, in water) from Jewel, Kans., gets wet on a routine dive. Still on board, waiting to take the plunge are LT John B Moulton (left) from Napa, Calif., and GMC Robert F Stout (right) from Anchorage, Alaska. Splashing the divers is RM1 Chris A. Anderson (front center) from Whidbey Island, Wash., and ET1 Michael J. Reczek from Philadelphia supervises. All are from Explosive Ordinance Detachment, Bangor, Wash.

Photo by Dale Barber

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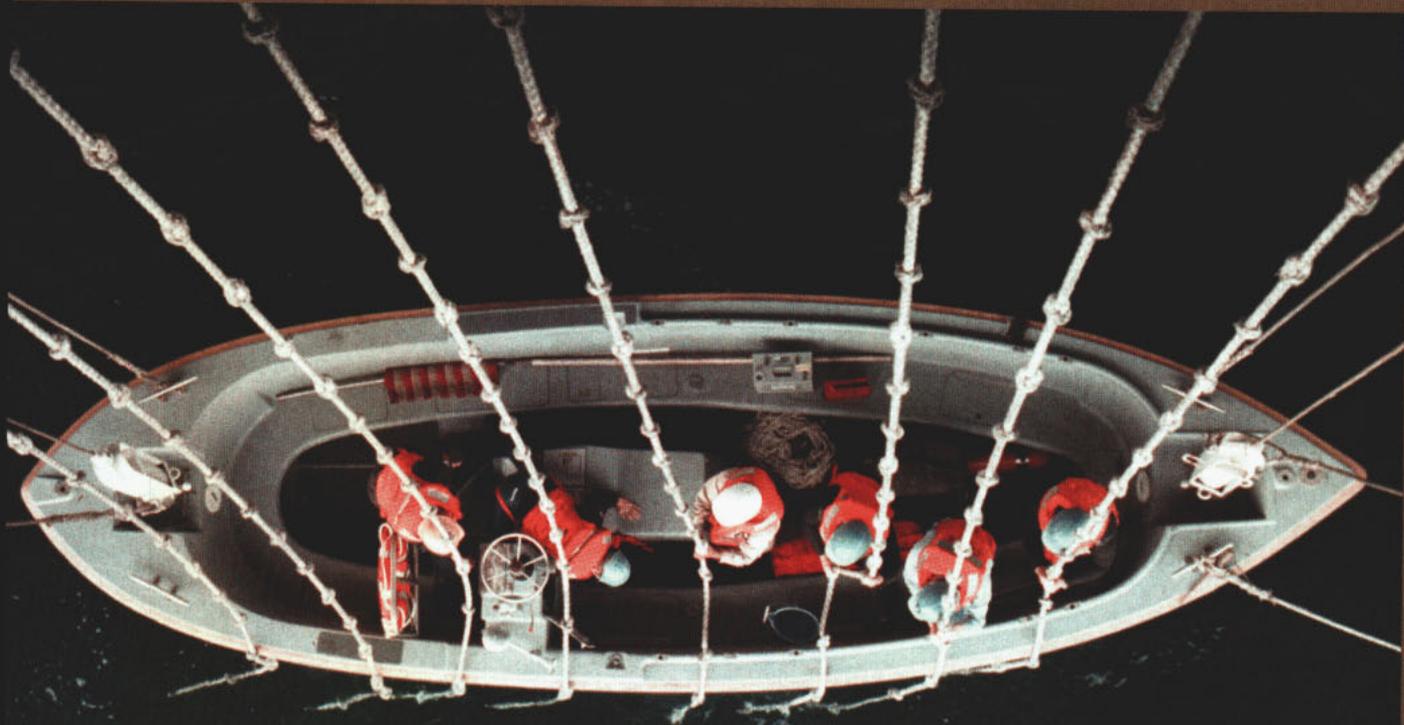
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▲▼ The starboard-side motor whaleboat crew descends into Southern California waters during a man overboard drill onboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74).

Photos by LT Wayne S. Grazio



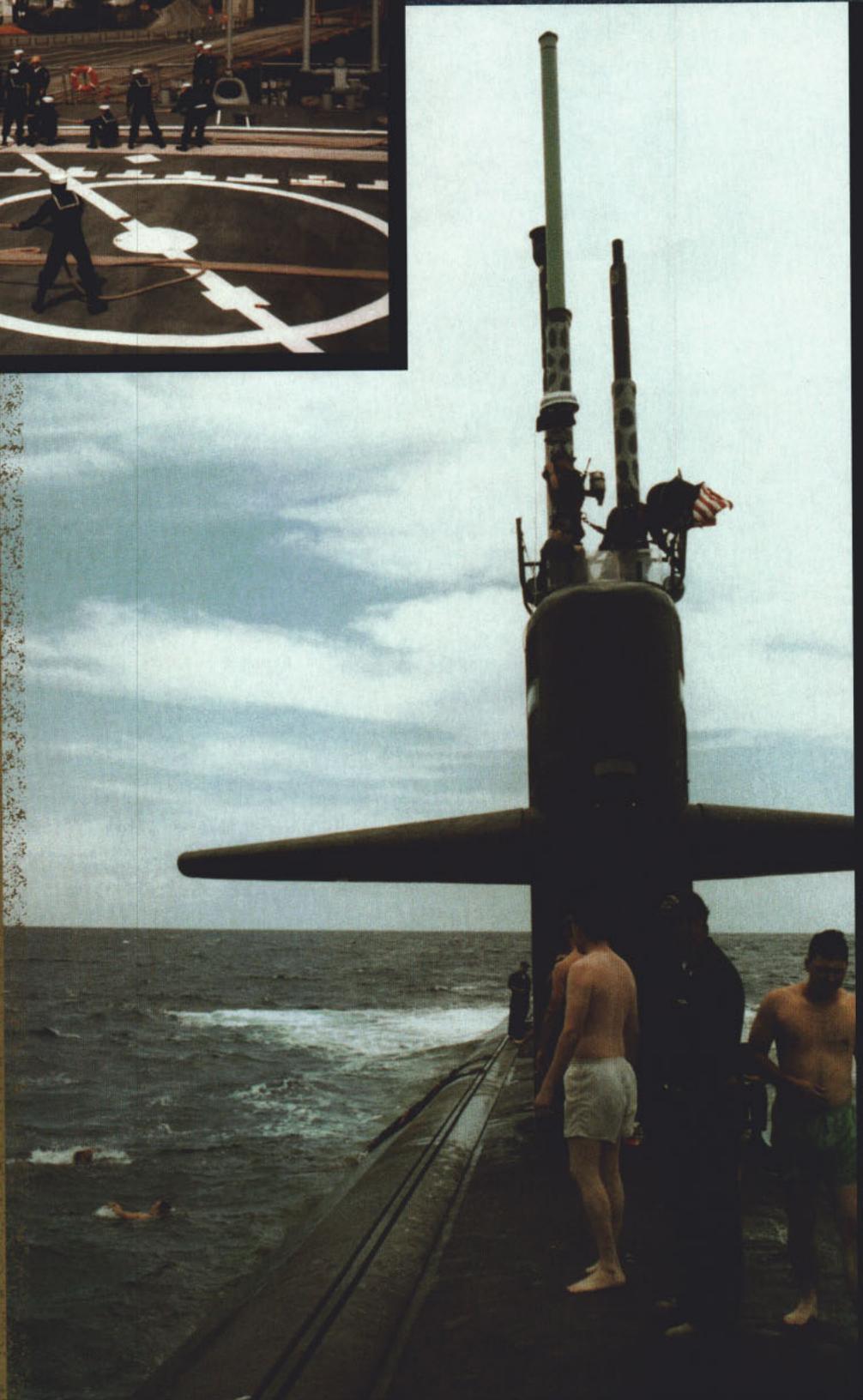


▼ Three miles offshore of Honolulu, aboard USS *Los Angeles* (SSN 688), Sailors take advantage of a swim call during a predeployment anchor test.

Photo by STS1(SS) Greg Smith

▲ Linehandlers for lines 5 and 6 from Combat Systems Department aboard USS *Arleigh Burke* (DDG 55) tie up to the pier in Stavanger, Norway, during NATO Exercise *MARVIKA '99*.

Photo by CW04 William H. Hall



As part of Career Day at Hugo A. Owens Middle School, Chesapeake, Va., PH3 Isaac O. Merriman, a native of San Antonio, demonstrates how to put on one of the Navy's MK 20 enclosed space diving masks to sixth grader Jeffrey Allen Cocklin. Merriman is a member of the Navy's Underwater Photo Team.

Photo by PH1(DV) Eric J. Tilford





◀ PRCS(AW) Bob Bensink and GM1(EOD) John Winkler discuss emergency procedures before they attempt an MT-1 free-fall jump from 10,000 feet. Both jumpers are assigned to Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training Unit 2, Fort Story, Va.

Photo by PHC(NAC/DV)
Johnny A. Wilson



▲ HM2 Scott Meadow (left), from Los Angeles, a part-time umpire and full-time corpsman, calls U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Emzy Robinson (right) out. Robinson, from the 61st Fighter Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., was tagged by RM2 Spence Holley, of Boise, Idaho, a crew member on USS *Rushmore* (LSD 47). The Navy Baseball Club, made up of Sailors stationed in San Diego, was playing a double header with the Luke AFB team at Pt. Loma Nazarene College, San Diego. The Navy won both games.

Photo by JO1(SW/FMF) S.A. Thornbloom

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▼ Wakasugi and his dog, Conan, of CFAS Security K-9 Unit, demonstrate how to contain and capture a felon at U.S. Fleet Activities Sasebo, Japan.

Photo by PHAN Mark A. Paradis



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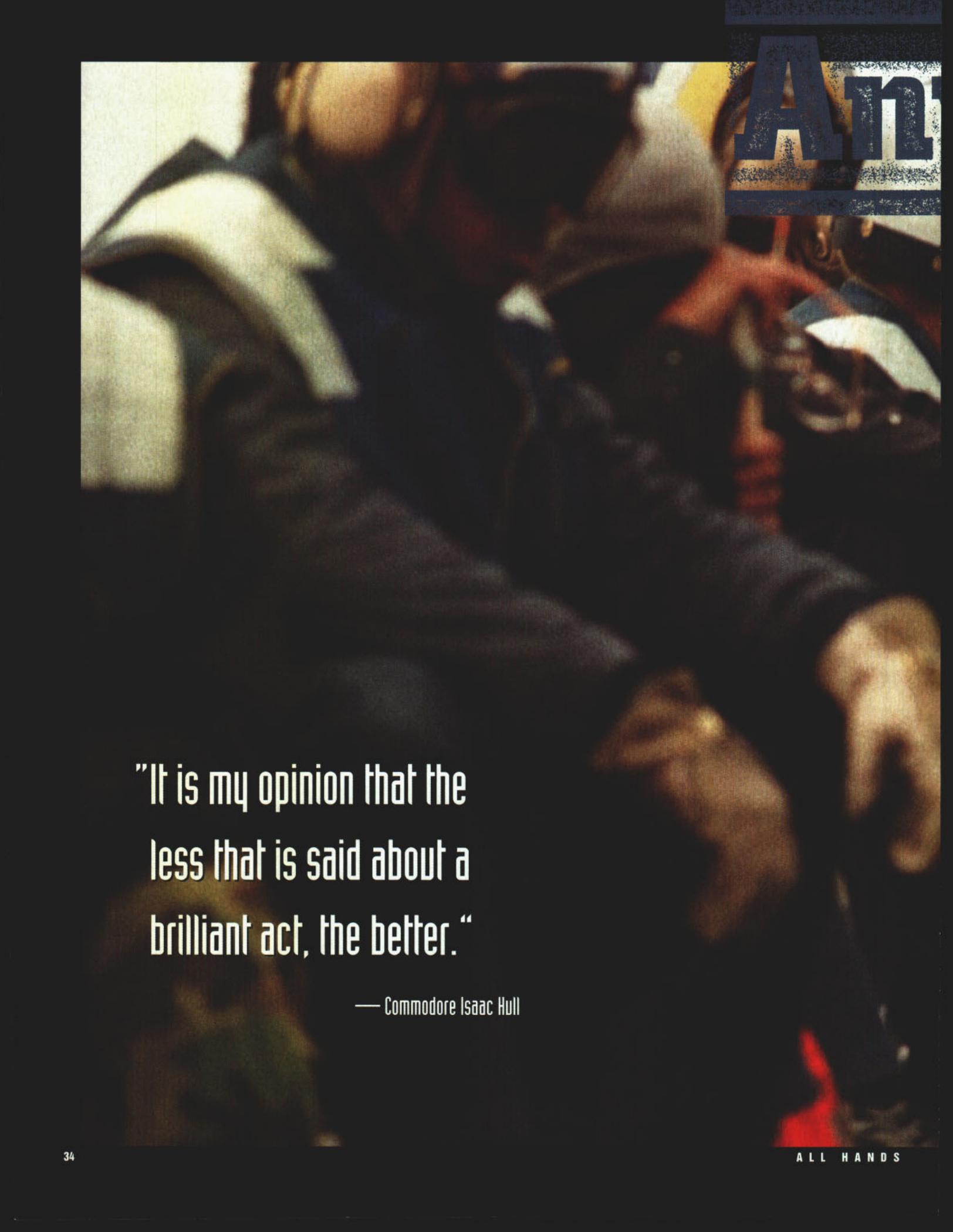
■ Aboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71), while deployed in support of NATO's Operation Allied Force, HM1(SW/AW) Renaldo Galang from Subic Bay, Republic of the Philippines, verifies data entries in a few of the 5,000 crew member's medical records.

Photo by PH2(AW) Steven Harbour



▲ SHSN Morgan speaks to his girlfriend back home in Auburn, N.Y. Morgan is attached to USS *The Sullivans* (DDG 68) homeported in Mayport, Fla.

Photo by PHAA Chris Moore



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"It is my opinion that the less that is said about a brilliant act, the better."

— Commodore Isaac Hull

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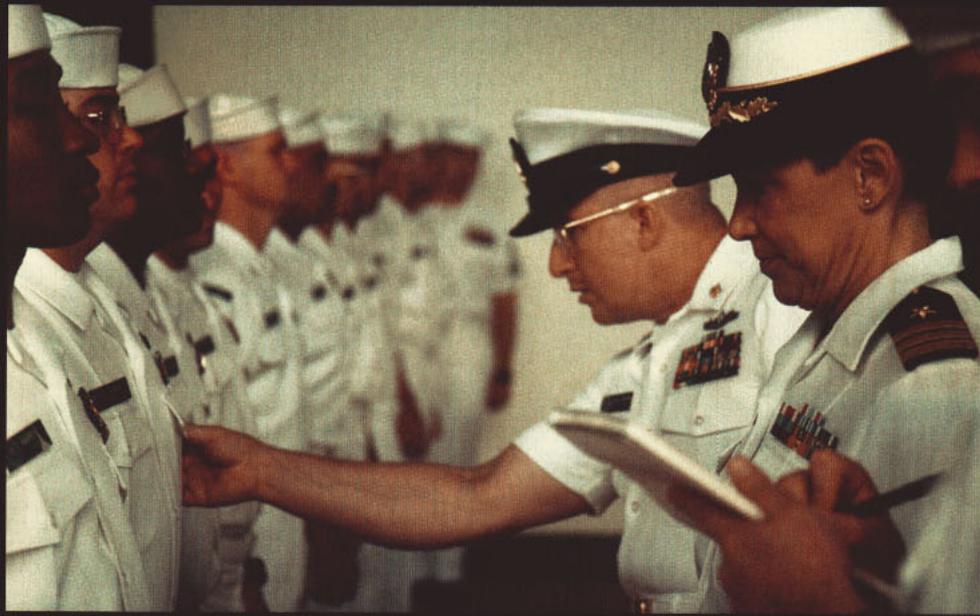


◀ Sailors from Air Department's V-1 Division take a break and share a laugh between drills on the flight deck of USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74).

Photo by PH3 Mike Larson

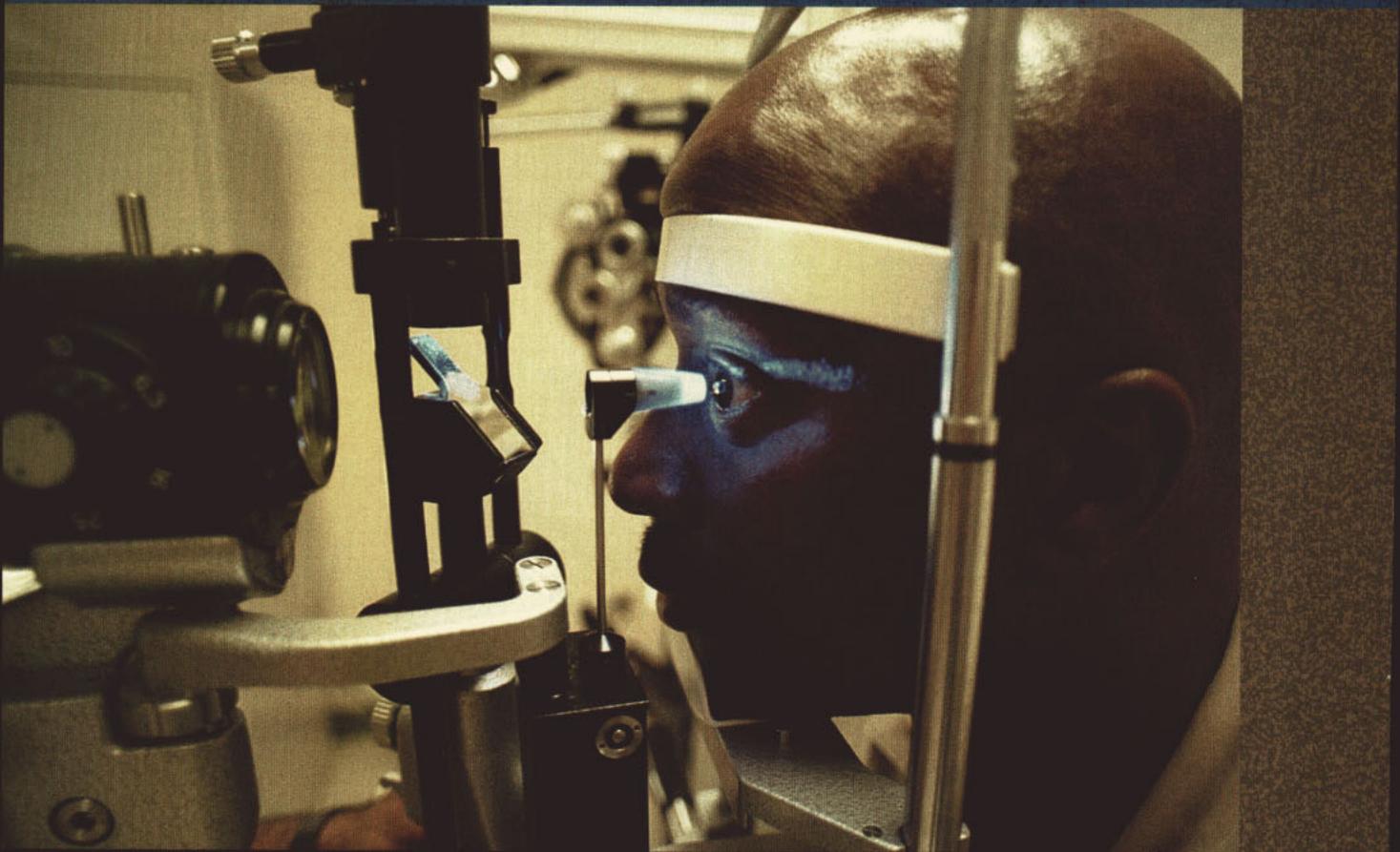
► CDR Karen P. Fondren, CSO Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan, and OSCM(SW) A.C. Ottaviani, Command Master Chief, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, conduct a uniform inspection.

Photo by PH1 Russell Wolfkiel



► Chaplain (CDR) Ronnie King of USS *McKee* (AS 41) is examined with a Slit-Lamp Biomicroscope at Naval Medical Center, San Diego. The biomicroscope measures interocular pressure on the eye.

Photo by PH2 Ted Banks



A young child, Alyssa Johnson, is standing in a cemetery, holding several American flags and their wooden poles. She is wearing a blue sleeveless top and shorts. The background shows several white gravestones in a grassy field.

**"Thank God for the
United States Navy!"**

— Maj. Gen. Leonard Geron,
U.S. Army, V Corps commander
at Omaha Beach, D-Day

Three-year-old Alyssa Johnson of Pensacola, Fla., helps put flags on gravesites at Barrancas National Cemetery at NAS Pensacola in preparation for Memorial Day Services.

Photo by Art Giberson

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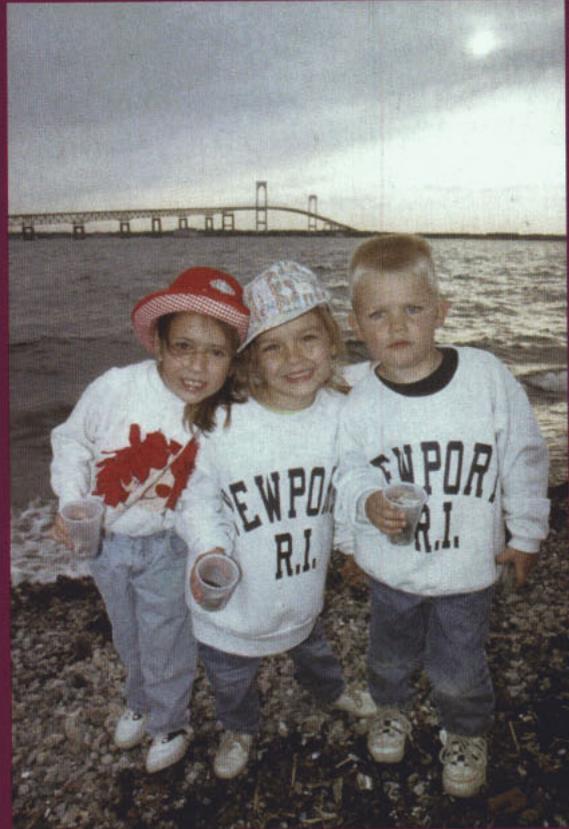
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◀ Spectators blow bubbles at a Memorial Day parade in Indianapolis in which the Navy participated along with nearly 100 living Medal of Honor recipients.

Photo by JO1 Robert Benson

▶ For parents, Thursday in Newport, R.I., means Lobster Night at the O'club, but for kids it means a chance to catch crabs and starfish on the beach. Brittany, Chelsea and Trevor gather for an unsolicited pose to show off their evening catch. The Newport Bridge spans the Narragansett Bay in the background.

Photo by LCDR J. Scott Bruce



▲ On the first Saturday after his graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy, ENS Joshua C. Williams married his fiancée Christin S. Glorak.

Photo by PH1(AW) Frank A. Fey

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▼ Crew members board USS *John F. Kennedy* before dawn to get her ready for another at-sea period.

Photo by PH2 Gregory Pruitt





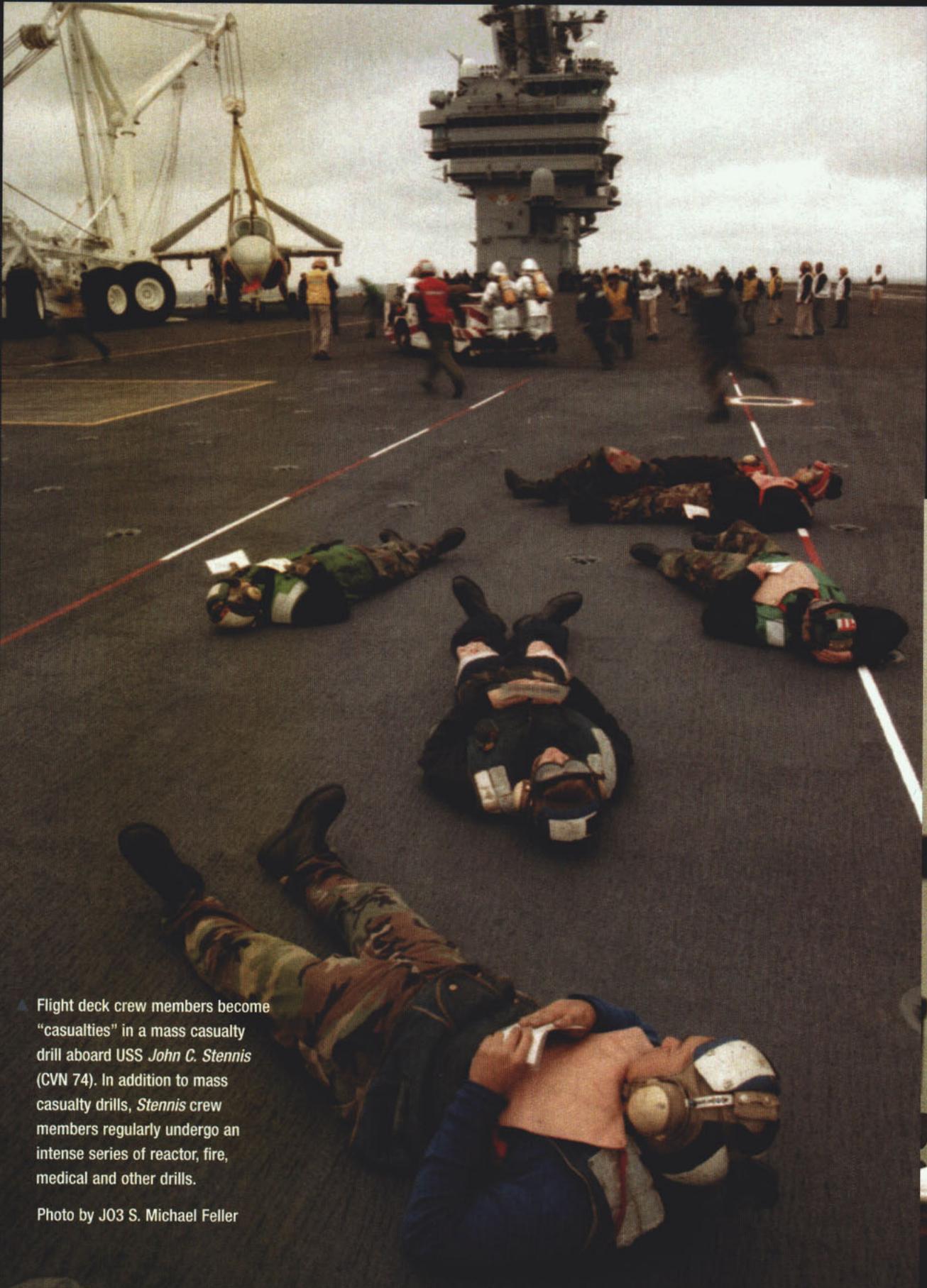
- ▲ Pilots LT Erich Roetz (left) and LTJG John Seip perform a “fly-by” at the airfield at NAS Oceana, Va.

Photo by PH2 Adam C. Goodrich

- ▶ SN Sheron Davidson of Muskogee, Okla., prays over the Holy Bible before religious services take place in the chapel aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74).

Photo by PH3 Emily Baker





▲ Flight deck crew members become "casualties" in a mass casualty drill aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74). In addition to mass casualty drills, *Stennis* crew members regularly undergo an intense series of reactor, fire, medical and other drills.

Photo by J03 S. Michael Feller



▲ SH2 Roderick Harris from Dalgren, Ga., and YN2 Arnold Morgan from St. Louis, study train routes during the Intercultural Relations Course given by NAF Atsugi Family Services, Atsugi, Japan, to those newly arrived in Japan.

Photo By PH1 David Votroubek



◀ CDR Shelley S. Marshall, commanding officer, Navy Recruiting District (NRD) Phoenix, calls to congratulate one of her recruiters after receiving the advancement list after the March Navywide exam.

Photo by PH2(SW/AW) Kevin H. Tierney



"I know how relieved I am each time when I turn to my operations officer and say, 'Hey, where's the nearest carrier?' and he can say to me 'it's right there on the spot.' For United States' interests, that means everything."

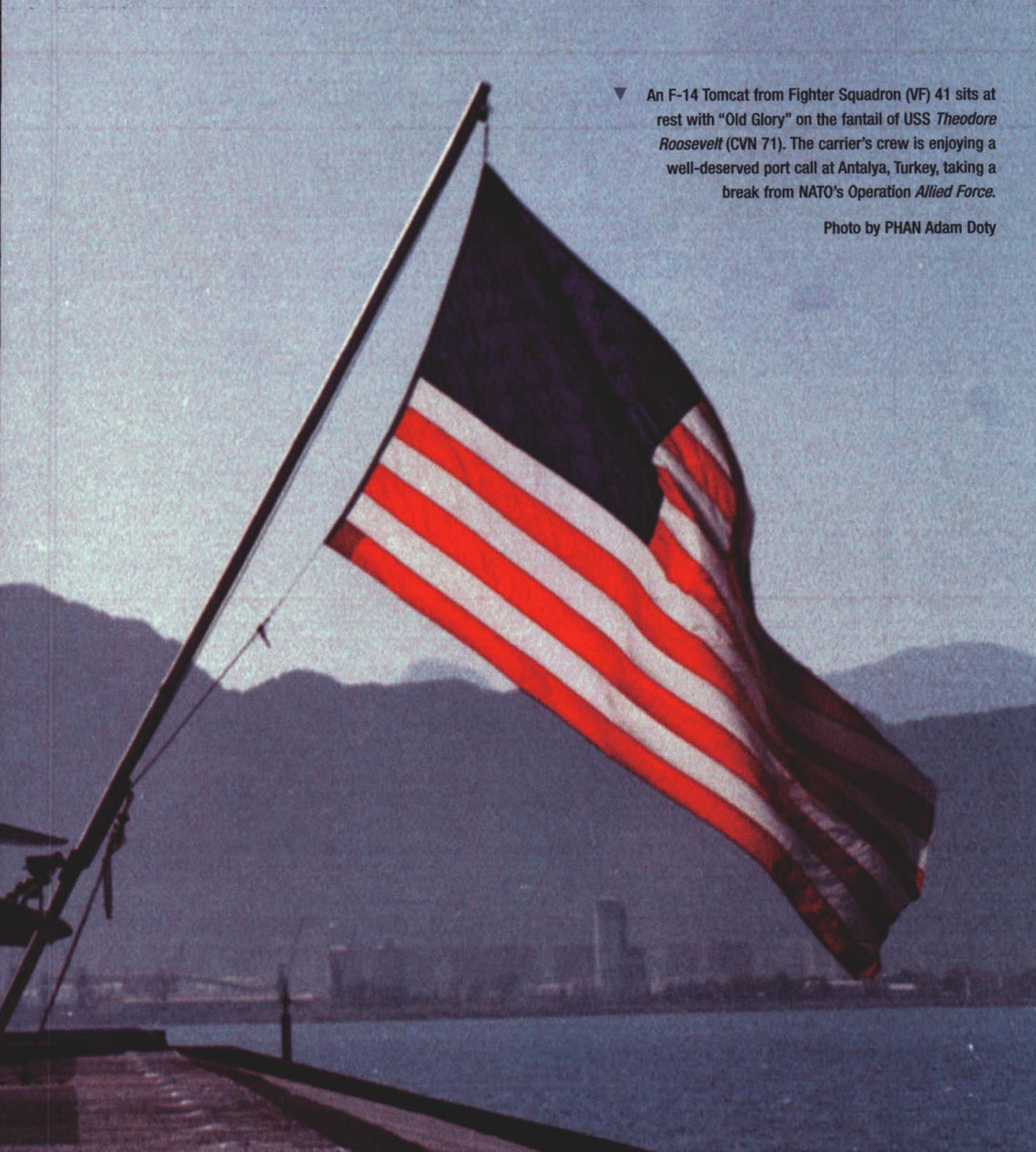
— Army Gen. John M. Shalikashvili, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, during a visit to USS Dwight D. Eisenhower [CV 69], July 28, 1997



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▼ An F-14 Tomcat from Fighter Squadron (VF) 41 sits at rest with "Old Glory" on the fantail of USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71). The carrier's crew is enjoying a well-deserved port call at Antalya, Turkey, taking a break from NATO's Operation *Allied Force*.

Photo by PHAN Adam Doty



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- ▲ A bow catapult safety petty officer crouches as an F-14 *Tomcat* belonging to Fighter Squadron (VF) 14 onboard USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71) launches.

Photo by PH3 (AW) Donne' McKissic



- ▲ USS *Essex* (LHD 2) is gingerly guided into the floating drydock at the National Steel Shipbuilding Company (NSSC) in San Diego. It was the first time a ship the size and class of *Essex* put into NSSC for a Drydocking Phased Maintenance Availability.

Photo by J01(SW/FMF) S.A. Thornbloom

- ◀ To control or put out a fire, one must first know what to do. Training is now in progress at the fire-fighting training center on the Naval Base Mayport, Fla. Instructor DC1(SW/AW) David Martinez (left) and ABF1 Steve Buckley direct Sailors who act as hosemen to put out a simulated flight deck casualty aircraft fire.

Photo by PH3 Tesra R. McCoy

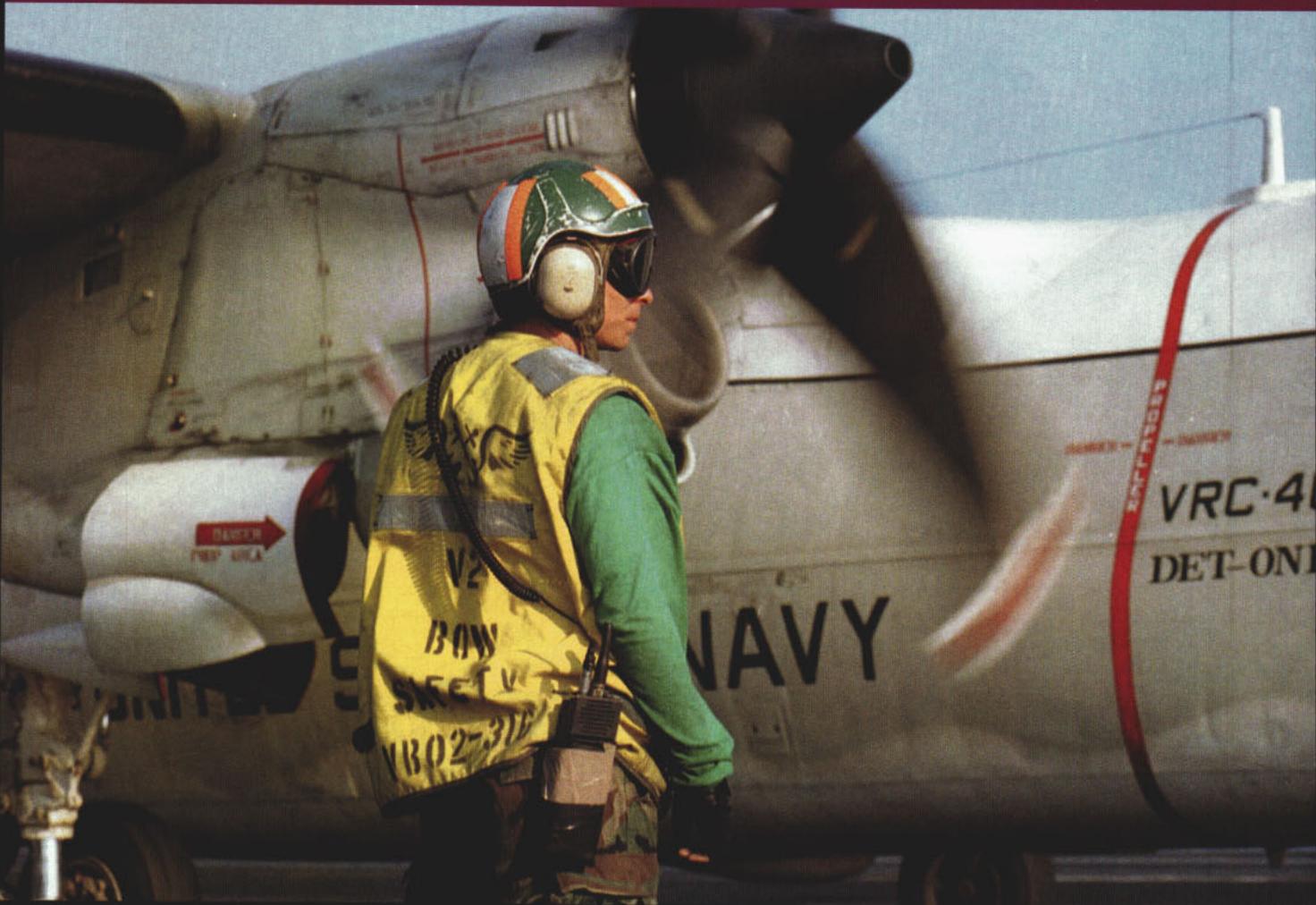


◀ HMCS(SW/NAC) Daniel J. Forburger, from Algona, Iowa, escorts student STG3 John Zedaker, from Fort Wayne, Ind., after an exhausting fire training exercise at the ATG MIDPAC Firefighters School Pearl Harbor.

Photo by Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Jocelyn M. Broussard

▼ ABE2 Matthew Angus stands by before the launch of an aircraft from the flight deck of USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71).

Photo by PH2 Jonathan Byrd





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- ▲ A02(AW) Michael Hall (right) from Chester, S.C., and A02 Royce Cormier from St. Martinville, La., prepare a ROBOSKI, a high speed, specialized jet ski that simulates speed boat attacks against naval vessels. Both Hall and Cormier are assigned to Commander Fleet Activities Okinawa, Targets Division.

Photo by PH2 Anthony Puglian

- ▶ BM3 Daryle J. Burn from Cleveland, prepares for colors on board USS *Constellation* (CV 64).

Photo by PH1(AW) Howard Johnson





◀ AD2 Rolen E. Jiao from the Republic of the Philippines, uses a hoist to ease the movement of a T56-A-14 Turbine at Naval Air Facility Misawa, Aircraft Intermediate Maintenance Department, 400 Division.

Photo by PH1 Andrew J. Miller

"I was determined
to conquer, or die
in the attempt."

— John Paul Jones, referring to his famous battle



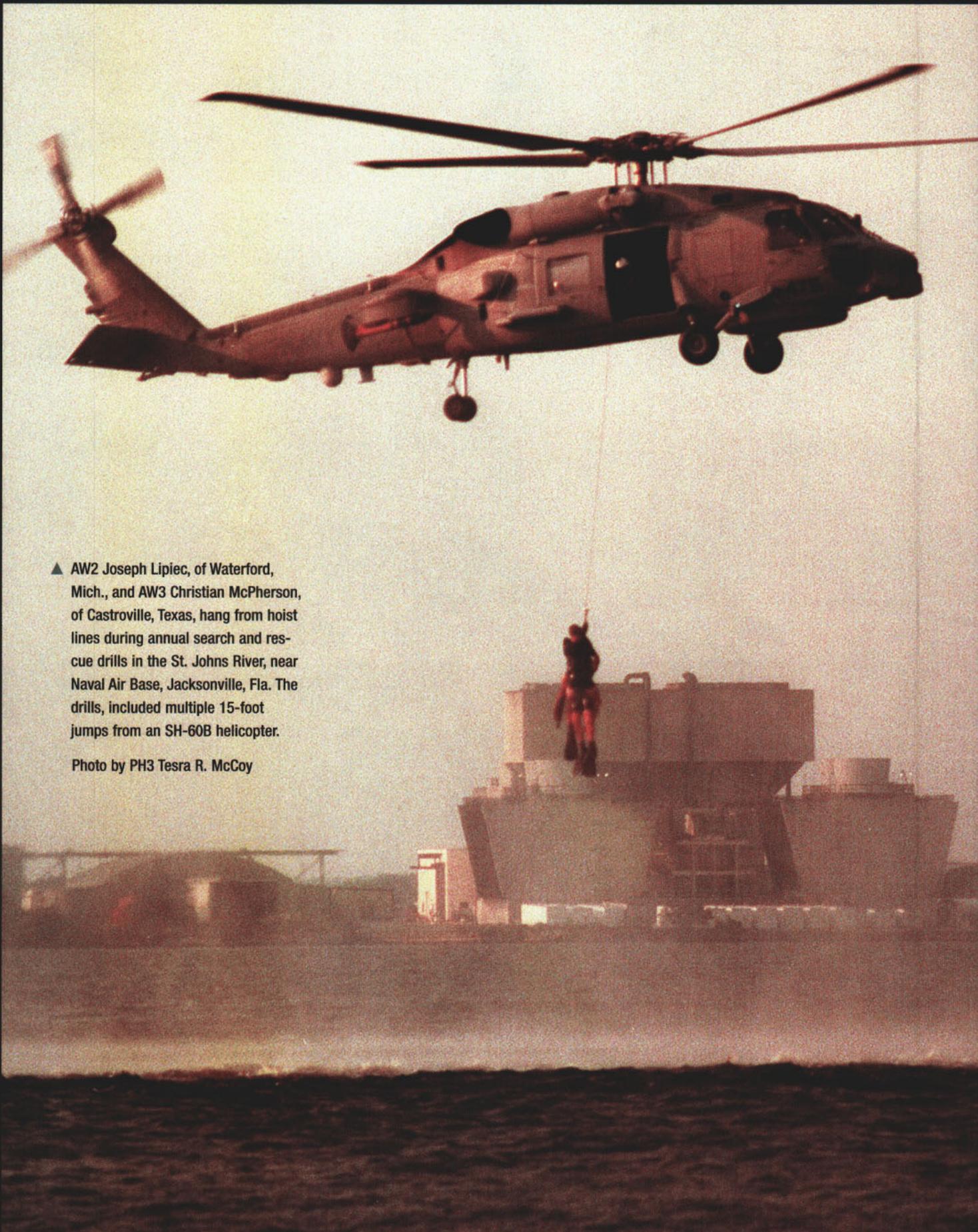
▲ After a long night's watch, EA2(SCW) Andrew Hayes and his fire team get some much needed rest during NMCB 5's field exercise in Okinawa.

Photo by PH2(SCW) Lou Messing



Firefighters rescue an airman during a simulated mass casualty drill aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74). *Stennis* and her crew go through many drills like this every underway period to prepare for their deployment early in 2000.

Photo by LT Wayne S. Grazio



▲ AW2 Joseph Lipiec, of Waterford, Mich., and AW3 Christian McPherson, of Castroville, Texas, hang from hoist lines during annual search and rescue drills in the St. Johns River, near Naval Air Base, Jacksonville, Fla. The drills, included multiple 15-foot jumps from an SH-60B helicopter.

Photo by PH3 Tesra R. McCoy

"A good Navy is
the surest guarantee
of peace."

President Theodore Roosevelt

▼ GM2(POIC) Darin Maiden, OS3(CC) Nic Kush and IC3(CC) Benjamin Wing of the Naval Special Warfare Unit 1, SBU 12, Det. Hotel crew perform a high-speed pass en route to the water drop zone in Inner Apra Harbor, Guam.

Photo by PH3 Andrew Meyers



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◀ BMSN Joe Bob White of Mason, Texas, points out a place in the overhead to be sprayed by SN Jiles Metayer, from Port-de-Paix, Haiti. White and Metayer were a part of the spray team during a Dry-docking Phased Maintenance Availability for USS Essex (LHD 2).

Photo by JOI(SW/FMF) S.A. Thornbloom

A photograph showing a medical staff in an operating room on the USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74). A patient is lying on a table, and several medical professionals are gathered around, performing surgery. The room is dimly lit, with bright lights focused on the patient. Medical equipment and monitors are visible in the background.

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▲ A complete medical staff makes the hospital ward function like a real hospital aboard USS *John C. Stennis* (CVN 74). HN Ryan Wiginton of Shawnee, Okla., is admitted as a patient for exploratory surgery.

Photo by PH3 Stephen E. Massone



◀ CDR Steve Schallhorn of Colorado Springs, Colo., performs photo-refractive keratectomy (PRK) eye surgery on CAPT Steve Ahlberg of Newberg, Ore., Commander, Naval Special Warfare Group 1. Schallhorn, the director of the Refractive Surgery Eye Clinic at Naval Medical Center San Diego, uses the Eximer laser to correct refractive errors in the eye which improves the patient's visual acuity.

Photo by PH2 Ted Banks



▼ CDR Booker T. Brown of Oceanside, Calif., dental officer aboard USS *Bonhomme Richard* (LHD 6) looks inside an average of 20 to 25 mouths a day.

Photo by PH3 Timothy J. Comerford



▲ JCS Brian Bell passes through the sideboys after completing 20 years of service. Bell was public affairs officer for Navy Recruiting Area 1, Scotia, N.Y., and will retire to Glens Falls, N.Y.

Photo by JOC(SS) John F. Williams

Amy Day

After a long day of boardings and operations, USS *Hewitt* (DD 966) settles in for the night while patrolling her area of the Arabian Gulf.

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