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According to Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary Online, *infamy* is defined as: an evil reputation brought about by something grossly criminal, shocking, or brutal; an extreme and publicly known criminal or evil act. The attack on Pearl Harbor, and the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, will forever serve as definitive examples of the word... then, now and always.

Next Month
*All Hands* looks at the responsibilities of a plane captain operating in war. We also examine the selected reservist recall process for those civilians who feel the need to serve their country. Readiness, from air to ground and bills to checkbook, is also covered.

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“Bomb Alley” aboard USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70), as viewed from the 0-10 level, during Operation Enduring Freedom.

Photo by CDR W. Scott Gurock
OS3 Charles Logan assists OSSN Rogelio Gandara with tracking multiple surface contacts from the Combat Information Center on board USS Monterey (CG 61) during the Atlantic phase of the annual UNITAS exercise with naval forces from Uruguay, Brazil, France and Spain.

Photo by PH2 Aaron Peterson
Editor,

In the recent July 2001 issue of All Hands, in the “Eye on the Fleet” photo spread, no due is given to the Sailors marching in the picture titled “In Step.” These Sailors are stationed on USS Cowpens (CG 63) and were marching in the parade in Mumbai (Bombay), India, for the International Fleet Review 2001. Not only were these Sailors representing our country in grand fashion, but they also delivered half a million dollars in relief supplies to the earthquake victims in northern India.

These Sailors deserve a little note at least identifying their unit in the August edition. I know all of these Sailors by name, and believe me, they deserve it … I know this because I am the one leading them down the parade route.

LTJG Crispin N. Pavelski, USNR

Editor’s Note: Thanks for pointing out their contributions.

Editor,

I just received my All Hands July 2001 issue. I just read the “Speaking with Sailors” column and wanted to give my opinion on that question asked about people who decide to leave the service.

So many people are so negative about what they got themselves into that they end up getting out dishonorably. But, that’s not everyone, it’s just a very few. I have been in for 25 months, made third class, got both my warfare pins and plan on staying Navy. Those who do decide to get out should use their skills in the

BY THE Numbers

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The number of Americans killed in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941. (Story on Page 14)

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S H I P M A T E S

AEROGRAHER’S MATE 3RD CLASS ANJAIL WEAVER, Naval Atlantic Meteorology and Oceanography Facility, Jacksonville, Fla., recently received the American Legion’s “Spirit of Service” award. During the past three years, Weaver volunteered more than 1,000 hours to help various causes. In one case, she helped raise $10,000 for the Salvation Army Bell Ringer project. The Legion gives the Spirit of Service award to a military member, E-5 or below, who demonstrates a high level of community service.

HULL TECHNICIAN 1ST CLASS (SW) JAMES SATTERFIELD was selected as Sailor of the Quarter, 2nd quarter, at Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill. Satterfield is the leading petty officer of the Navy’s only surface non-destructive testing radiography school. He is responsible for teaching students how to properly take X-rays of welds to ensure they will stand up to underwater stress. He is also the head coach of the Winthrop Harbor Pony League Baseball Team and special program coordinator for Northpoint Christian Church.

YEOMAN 2ND CLASS JENNIFER BAKER was recently cited for her performance as part of the operations department aboard USS Bataan (LHD 5). During a recent exercise, her department was able to focus on the role-playing aspect of the exercise, while she tracked long-range and daily planning schedules for the ship’s operations officer. Normally, she maintains the personnel records of all 114 operations department Sailors.

HOSPITAL CORPSMAN 2ND CLASS (SW/AW) CORY D. BELL recently received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his role as gospel choir director aboard USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67). Under his direction, the choir performed for former President Bill Clinton, at a Boston Red Sox game, at St. Patrick’s Cathedral in New York City and during numerous special events aboard John F. Kennedy.

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outside world. At least they will have gotten something out of the Navy. Those who plan on staying Navy — good on you.

YN3(SW/AW) Anthony Saa
Weapons Dept.
USS Constellation (CV 64)

Editor,
I just wanted to let you know how impressed I was by the "Team Effort" photo in the August 2001 All Hands magazine. I have always liked your photos, and again, in the August issue, enjoyed many of the photos, including the wildlife photos at Guantanamo Bay. But the "Team Effort" photo stopped me in my tracks. It's awesome.

I am in Naval Reserve recruiting and frankly I think that should be both a recruiting poster and a motivational poster at NTC Great Lakes for new recruits.

LT Courtenay E Ellis
OPO, NRRC Area Central
Great Lakes, Ill.

Editor's Note: We received three letters concerning a photo that ran in our August 2001 issue on Page 21, in which a Sailor is shown wearing a ring on his left thumb while in uniform. U.S. Navy Uniform Regulations state that rings are not authorized for wear on thumbs, per Article 2201.6, Chapter 2. To those who caught it, nice catch. It reminds us all to correctly wear our uniforms with pride.

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy
MCPON (SS/SW/AW) Jim Herdt

Speaking with Sailors

These questions are from a recent MCPON all hands call:

Q: What is the best way for me to take advantage of all the different opportunities available for planning my financial future?
A: I am so glad that you asked that question, because this is one of my top priorities — especially in light of recent events. I truly believe that the likelihood of Sailors adequately planning for their financial futures is not what it should be. The experiences of the terrorist attacks on USS Cole (DDG 67), and the Pentagon have shown us how few Sailors have planned for their families' financial future.

Data shows that without the help of professional financial counselors, survivor benefits are completely used up within about seven months. I think all Sailors owe it to themselves, and to their families, to sit down and financially plan for the future. I think the very best way to do this is to meet with a certified financial planner. There are many out there and they specialize in assisting military service members.

My thought is if our senior enlisted leaders do it, they will lead their Sailors to do the same. It’s painless, easy, and you don’t need a lot of money to do it — in most cases drafting the plan is free. Taking a little time to do this now, could mean everything to your family in the future.

In addition, the kick-off of the Thrift Savings Plan and some Sailors taking advantage of early SRBs opened even more avenues to start their nest egg for the future. The sooner Sailors start financial planning for life after the Navy, the easier it is to achieve the financial independence we all hope for. Whether you’re in for four years or in for a career, every Sailor should be more active in managing their money, instead of letting their money manage them.

Q: “Considering the events of Sept. 11, 2001, what changes can we expect in our force protection posture?”
A: The real-world significance of our force protection has recently shown its true importance in our everyday lives. Whether at home, at sea, or abroad, protecting our Navy, our Sailors and their families is the most critical job we ALL have.

You will probably see more initiatives to increase your force protection wherever you’re serving. These increases in security may initially seem like an inconvenience, but we all need to remember why we need the changes — to keep you and your family safer.

These increases in security may initially seem like an inconvenience, but we all need to remember why we need the changes — to keep you and your family safer. Even our best efforts cannot remove every risk our Sailors and Marines are going to face, although we will always strive to do exactly that. We must continue our mission, and that is to protect our nation's interests, to protect our Sailors and to defeat our enemies.
"Bearings" Leads Troubled Sailors in Positive Direction

Aviation Structural Mechanic Airman Roberta Newman knows that if it were not for Bearings, she would not still be in the Navy.

The Bearings pilot program, operated by the Regional Support Organization (RSO) at Naval Station San Diego, helps at-risk, first-term Sailors develop healthy, positive attitudes that will contribute to their professional and personal success.

"Bearings was my moment of realization," said Newman, who had already begun to out-process from the Navy when she entered the program. She was frustrated with the Navy, and her supervisors were frustrated with her performance. After Bearings training, she asked her supervisors to stop the paperwork from going through.

The students are mostly younger, first-term Sailors who have not been subjected to a non-judicial punishment (NJP), but who are experiencing adjustment problems at their commands. Bearings officials said the rules have been recently amended to include Sailors who have been to NJP for minor offenses and those who were advanced to petty officer third class under accelerated advancement.

Chief Signalman (SW) Martin Coladonato, an instructor with Bearings, said the high attrition rate among first-term Sailors contributed to the need for such a program.

"When a Sailor drops out of the Navy, the lost training investment can be staggering," Coladonato said. "The estimated cost of sending a Sailor to boot camp and a non-technical 'A' school is approximately $26,000. For a technical rating it can be $58,000. When the Navy loses a Sailor, they lose the investment made in that Sailor, thus requiring the Navy to expend more money on training a new Sailor."

A recent posting on the Bearings Web page described one applicant as being a candidate for Sailor of the Quarter who has "recently lost her way." The Sailor began to demonstrate problems with training and discipline.

"This is the type of applicant we can help," said Coladonato.

The Bearings staff believes this new program will provide direction and much-needed attention to these troubled Sailors, before they develop consistent patterns of misconduct or drift into substance abuse.

"We tell everyone who comes here that it is a non-punitive program," said LTJG Aaron Shelton, the program director. "I tell them that if their commanding officers didn't think they were worth something, they wouldn't be in the class enjoying a two-week break from work."

The program isn't just two weeks away from their job though; it's two weeks of teaching Sailors to develop focused thinking, decision-making practices and personal accountability.

The course covers communication skills, anger management, alcohol abuse and financial responsibility. It also includes two days with the Chaplains Religious Enrichment Development Operation (CREDO). Bearings staff members often seek help from Sailors who made bad decisions in their time in the Navy.

Prisoners from a brig in Miramar, Calif., were recently brought in to visit the Bearings students; their ranks attached to their sleeves with Velcro. As the prisoners tell their stories of the wrong decisions they made, they rip their ranks off and talk about the consequences of their actions.

"I went into Bearings thinking that my problems were huge," said Newman. "I realized that they were not as bad as I thought."

The program, so far, has been judged a success. Twelve classes are scheduled for the year, with six already completed. The program also tracks the personal development of Sailors once they return to their commands.

"When we started, we expected only a 30 to 40 percent turnaround of program participants," said Shelton. "So far, the turnaround has been far better, with more like 90 to 95 percent of program participants staying Navy."

Bearings is expected to continue. Mobile training teams are planned so the course can be offered at commands in Guam, Hawaii and Japan. The addition of a team-building course, called ROPES, is also being considered.

"Our biggest success so far has been the number of Sailors that have turned around," Coladonato said. "Our biggest challenge though, is getting the word out about the program."

Newman is grateful that her command got the word. She now thinks that everyone should attend the course, and the instructors at Bearings agree.

"The Navy is the best thing I ever did, and I don't want to mess that up," said Newman. "The class was effective. I'm not going to quit. I'm going to stay Navy and do my job."

Story by LTJG Erik Reynolds, COMNAVSURFPAC Public Affairs.
Sailors Can Review Service Records Online

Sailors can now update their performance summary records (PSR) and officer data cards (ODC) online at Navy Personnel Command's Center for Career Development Web site at www.staynavy.navy.mil.

This new feature provides service members instant access to their records via the Internet, and enables them to request changes or updates online.

"This feature accelerates the records verification process exponentially," said LT Murry Carter, deputy director, records support branch (PERS-312).

Carter added that the feature greatly reduces the need for hard-copy mail-outs of the service record, thereby saving the Navy hundreds of thousands of dollars in postage. "We estimate that the Navy could save nearly $450,000 in the next fiscal year by moving away from traditional direct mailing of ODCs, and PSRs."

The new online features will also eliminate hundreds of telephone calls, e-mails and questions from the fleet about contents of the record.

"We're reaching out to people with our services better and faster than ever before," said Carter. "This state-of-the-art technology is definitely a win-win for our Sailors and for our record support personnel."

Carter said that record support personnel will now spend the time previously devoted to printing and mailing out the records monitoring the online records review link on the "Stay Navy" Web page and collecting changes submitted electronically by service members.

"Instead of automatic annual mailing of ODCs or receiving requests for the hard-copy PSR records, we're getting ODC e-mail record changes via the Web," said Carter.

He noted the positive change, which has taken place in his department and credits the new online feature.

"We are very pleased with the fact that the new online records review feature allows us to provide impeccable levels of customer satisfaction, in addition to customer service," Carter added. "The road ahead for us is to continue providing fast, effective service to the fleet, and to remain an integral part of every Sailor's career management focus."

For more information, go to www.staynavy.navy.mil or contact the PERS-312 team at DSN 882-3351 or (901) 874-3351.

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No tour in Washington, D.C., would be complete without a visit to the White House. I was quite surprised by the Sailors I found inside the compound who were willing to take time out of their extremely busy day to sit down and chat, despite the enormous pressure of working for our Commander-in-Chief. These are regular people working in an extraordinary place.

I hope our coverage will show the fleet just how dedicated the Sailors assigned to the White House really are. They work at, arguably, the most prestigious billet their rates have to offer — yet few know exactly what they do. It was definitely an eye-opening experience and I feel honored to have stepped into their world, even for that short time.

PH3 Saul Ingle is a photojournalist assigned to All Hands.

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CNO Approves New IT Command

Chief of Naval Operations ADM Vern Clark has approved the creation of the Naval Network Operations Command (NNOC) here to oversee the Navy’s major information technology programs.

The command, a result of the merger of the Naval Computer and Telecommunications Command (NAVCOMTELCOM) and Task Force Navy Marine Corps Intranet (TF NMCI), will be based at the existing headquarters located at the Naval District Washington complex in Northwest. CAPT Charles G. Cooper, commander of NAVCOMTELCOM, will initially take the reins of the new command.

NNOC will operate the “Information Technology for the 21st Century” (IT-21), a
TIME CAPSULE
This month we look back in the All Hands archive to see what was going on in the Navy 60, 40 and 20 years ago.

60 Years Ago – December 1941
In this edition of the “Bureau of Navigation Bulletin” we posted a list of advancements for the chief’s ranks. We also highlighted the new location of the Bureau of Navigation, at the Navy Department Annex No. 2, across from Arlington National Cemetery. We also passed down new pay and travel provisions for retired and Reserve personnel.

40 Years Ago – December 1961
In this issue we looked at some new ship concepts on the drawing boards, including a hydrofoil and a new type of amphibious transport dock known as an LPD. We also discussed what rights Sailors have when they come up with new inventions, and how they can secure a patent through the Navy Patent Office.

20 Years Ago – December 1981
This month in All Hands we get our first look at the newly-developed and patented low-flow, hand-held shower-head. We explained where on Earth you can find Mount Santa Rita; a naval communications station that overlooks Subic Bay Naval Facility in the Republic of the Philippines. We also looked back on the 40th anniversary of the “Day of Infamy,” Dec. 7, 1941.

Sailors Aboard John Young Learn Each Other’s Job
Sailors on board USS John Young (DD 973) recently participated in a “rate exchange” program to experience what it feels to like work in another rate.

For a week while underway, these Sailors were allowed to swap rates with each other. For Sailors who are qualifying for enlisted surface warfare specialist (ESWS) pins, the opportunity to swap rates takes on even greater importance.

Sailors who participated in the program came from the electronic warfare, anti-submarine warfare, engineering, supply and deck divisions.

For some, it is learning a completely different mission of the ship.

Sonar Technician 2nd Class James Andrews swapped from anti-submarine warfare to main propulsion division.

“It really helps to see what the engineers do. I learned so much and this will help with my qualifications.”

Fire Controlman 3rd Class Jason Wilson swapped from combat systems-missiles division to anti-submarine warfare.

“I had a good time. It is a lot different shooting contacts under the water than into the air,” Wilson said.

According to LTJG Elizabeth Scheidecker, antisubmarine division officer, the program allowed her to develop an appreciation for all the Sailors assigned to the ship.

“I rarely have the time to interact with Sailors from the engineering department so this helped me develop a better perspective on the challenges of command-wide retention,” Scheidecker said.

John Young, homeported in San Diego, has decided to make the underway exchange program a permanent fixture to promote ESWS and retention.

For more information on USS John Young, go to www.surfpac.navy.mil/ship/snav/Johny/johnhome.htm.

Story by ENS Samantha Dustily, USS John Young Public Affairs.

DOD Says Savings Bonds are a Good Investment
U.S. Savings Bonds coordinators and canvassers from the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) kicked off a savings bond campaign during a recent ceremony at the Pentagon.

After the kick off, OSD savings Bonds Campaign Vice-Chairman Richard McGraw said that service members and DOD civilians should consider the purchase of savings bonds as money well invested. DOD employees can purchase savings bonds...
The U.S. Navy Band Holiday Concert Broadcast 2001

Plan to join your shipmates for the U.S. Navy Band — “Happy Holidays” Concert, the 6th annual holiday concert broadcast by the Naval Media Center and performed by the U.S. Navy Band from DAR Constitution Hall, Washington D.C. Offering a wide variety of traditional and contemporary holiday music, the superb musicians of the U.S. Navy Band will bring you an outstanding 90 minutes of family entertainment, guaranteed to put you in the holiday spirit. Officer in Charge/Leader, CDR Ralph M. Gambone, and all the members of the U.S. Navy Band, extend a warm invitation to you and your families to join them for this joyous celebration of songs and traditions of this wonderful time of the year.

In CONUS, the concert will be broadcast live on Sunday, Dec. 16, 2001, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. EST on DISH-NETWORK channel 9601. Other CONUS cable systems and over-the-air television stations that intend to air the program live or by delayed broadcast will be listed on the Navy Band’s web site at www.navyband.navy.mil. The Armed Forces Network (AFN) will carry the concert on the SPECTRUM CHANNEL under the following schedule:

**Pacific Region**
- Dec. 22 1 and 9 p.m. (Japan Time)
- Dec. 23 5 a.m. (Japan Time)

**Atlantic Region**
- Dec. 22 5 a.m., 2 and 10 p.m. (Central European Time)

Direct to Sailor (DTS) will also carry the program as follows:

**Pacific Region**
- Dec. 22 7 p.m. (Japan Time)

**Atlantic Region**
- Dec. 22 4 p.m. (Central European Time)

Check the DTS on-screen guide or schedule for details. For specific local air dates check your local electronic programming guide, the Navy Band’s web site at www.navyband.navy.mil, or the Naval Media Center’s Web site at www.mediacen.navy.mil for a complete listing.

bonds year-round. “Savings bonds never decrease in value. They are not subject to the vagaries of the stock market, they always go up and they go up more than inflation,” said McGraw, deputy assistant secretary of defense for public affairs.

Troops and DoD civilians should find it convenient to purchase bonds, since “you can pay for them through payroll deduction,” McGraw said.

Although purchasers of bonds aren’t “going to make double-digit earnings,” McGraw added, savings bonds are “guaranteed by the backing of the United States government” and are “good, solid, sound investments.”

The “I” bond, which currently earns 5.92 percent interest, has been out for three years and is indexed to the rate of inflation, said Mack Stamper, the Treasury Department’s liaison to DOD for the savings bond campaign.

Stamper said the I bond is purchased at face value, and “was developed to give Americans a tool to save their money and not have their savings eaten up by inflation.” Series “EE” bonds currently earn 4.5 percent interest and are purchased at one-half face value. Bonds available through payroll deduction include $50, $75, $100, $200, $500 and $1,000 denominations, Stamper said.

“There are also $5,000 and $10,000 denominations available,” Stamper added, but not through payroll deduction.

“Savings bonds are safe and secure, you don’t have to worry about losing money on them,” said Thelma Jones, DOD Savings Bond campaign program manager. “If they are ever lost or stolen they are replaced free-of-charge and reissued with the original issue date.” She added that buying bonds is “a good way to establish a systematic savings account.”

McGraw said that purchasing savings bonds helps Sailors, Marines, airmen, soldiers and DoD civilians augment their retirement nest eggs.

“I think it is a wonderful avenue to supplement your IRA (individual retirement account) or your government or military retirement plan,” McGraw concluded.

For more information on Savings Bonds, go to www.publicdebt.treas.gov/sav/sav.htm.

_Saving bonds are a reasonable way to accumulate retirement savings.

ITEMPO Now Recorded on the LES_

Sailors, both active-duty and Reserve, can now monitor their own individual personnel tempo (ITEMPO) by consulting their leave and earnings statements (LES).

Located in the remarks section of the LES, the ITEMPO counter includes the date the Navy sends the ITEMPO file to
Plastic "Tag" May Help Corpsmen Save Marine Lives

Throughout the decades, the survival rate of Marines in combat has greatly improved, thanks to faster transportation and better medical care. Now, they have new weapon to guarantee even faster medical treatment in the field.

Researchers at the Naval Aerospace Medical Research Laboratory (NAMRL), Pensacola, Fla., along with other federal and private-industry researchers, are field-testing a device called the tactical medical coordination system (TacMedCS) that may get naval casualties even speedier treatment in the field.

The system consists of a plastic tag embedded with a computer chip that can communicate with a palm-sized computer carried by a corpsman. The device is about the size of a dog tag.

The small computer can communicate with a larger system, such as the Global Positioning System, to relay important medical information about a wounded Marine or Sailor.

"The benefit to the Marine Corps is twofold," said CAPT Chris Schuyler, Medical Service Corps, head of advanced technology and the bioscience and expeditionary medicine office with the Marine Corps’ Warfighting Laboratory, Quantico, Va.

"First, we can locate and move a casualty into the medical system faster than before. Second, we can provide electronic treatment records that can be accessed from a variety of sources to improve casualty management."

According to Hospital Corpsman 1st Class (FMF) Michael E. Stiney, the TacMedCS project manager at NAMRL, the system is "like Federal Express for casualties."

As the wounded Marine progresses through the evacuation system, TacMedCS makes it possible to track that Marine’s progress every step of the way. This works in the same manner as checking a commercially sent express package.

Stiney said the wounded Marine is moved faster because the information is "beam"ed back to a waiting medical team, who are standing by to provide appropriate treatment.

TacMedCS was recently field-tested during Project Metropolis, an exercise conducted by the Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory and the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force.

For more information on NAMRL, go to www.namrl.navy.mil.

Story by BUMED public affairs office, Washington, D.C.

Weapons Station Charleston Contributes to Artificial Reefs

The Navy, the National Guard and the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources are making...
life environmentally friendly for the local marine life.

Naval Weapons Station Charleston (NWSCHS) recently contributed obsolete materials for use in the construction of artificial reefs along the South Carolina coast as part of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) Marine Artificial Reef Program. The project aims to improve local fish habitat.

Under the direction of the SCDNR, and with primary assistance from the South Carolina Army National Guard, the Navy donated materials that will enhance existing reefs and help create new ones.

NWSCHS donated old mooring anchors, large cement vehicle barriers, cement culvert pipes and cement manhole junctions for the reef project. In addition, NWSCHS contributed six obsolete fuel barges and more than 100 used shipping containers.

The containers are 20 feet long and eight feet high, and because of non-repairable damage, the Navy no longer uses them. Before sinking, the doors were removed and several holes were cut in the container. This will aid with the sinking process, and allow marine life to better access the structures.

National Guard personnel cleaned and stripped the barges of any hazardous materials. They also welded hatches open and cut holes throughout the barges.

In preparation for the donations, NWSCHS Environmental and Natural Resources personnel identified and selected materials that were safe and suitable for marine reefs.

Once materials were located, the National Guard’s 1052nd Transportation Company and the Environmental Enterprise Group Inc. of Charleston, transported the materials to their final location.

The SCDNR program currently maintains 41 artificial reefs along the South Carolina coast.

“Creation of this habitat helps to increase fish population, while also providing enhanced recreational fishing and sport diving opportunities in our coastal water,” said Bob Martore, coordinator of the artificial reef program. “With reef sites ranging from inshore waters less than 10 feet deep, to more than 35 miles offshore with depths exceeding 120 feet, boats of almost any size can reach a reef from any major inlet on our coast.”

“We believe this is a great project. Most of this material has not been used for years,” said David Jones, NWSCHS Environmental and Natural Resources. “Now we’re getting it cleaned up, out of the way; and it will be benefiting fish, anglers and divers for years to come.”

For information on the artificial reef program, go to www.csc.noaa.gov/opis/html/scrules.html and select Marine artificial Reef Program under the living resources link or contact Bob Martore at (843) 762-5082.

For more information on NWSCHS, go to www.nwchs.navy.mil.

*Navy Weapons Station Charleston Public Affairs Office*

**CNO Announces Plans to Align the Fleet**

Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) ADM Vern Clark recently announced that the Navy is taking the next step in aligning the fleet to more effectively achieve its primary mission: to carry American sovereignty to the four corners of the world, to defend America’s interests and to fight and win, should deterrence fail.

“Alignment will produce the effectiveness and efficiency we need in the 21st Century Navy,” said Clark.

The most significant element of this initiative is to establish a concurrent responsibility of Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command (COFFC) as the National Guard’s 1052nd Transportation Company and the Environmental Enterprise Group Inc. of Charleston, transported the materials to their final location.

The most significant element of this initiative is to establish Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command (COFFC) as a concurrent responsibility of Commander in Chief, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (CINCLANTFLT).

COFFC will be responsible for overall coordination, establishment and implementation of integrated requirements and policies for training, equipping and maintaining Atlantic and Pacific fleet units during the deployment training cycle (IDTC).

The policies and requirements will achieve standard fleet-wide practices on both coasts.

“The objective is that there’s not one ounce of difference in the way these units work,” said Clark. “The standards that were used to create a trained and ready product were the same regardless of where that training was conducted.”

To support COFFC in this task, type commanders (TYCOMs) within each warfare community will be the commanders of Naval Surface Force Pacific, Naval Air Force Pacific and Submarine Force Atlantic.

They will assume concurrent duties as fleet TYCOMs, known as Commander, Naval Surface Forces (COMNAVSURFOR); Commander, Naval Air Forces (COMNAVAIRFOR); and Commander, Naval Submarine Forces (COMNAVSUBFOR).

These fleet TYCOMs will lead their communities and advise COFFC of vital issues such as modernization needs, training initiatives, and operational concept development. They will provide guidance to their respective forces via the existing lead-follow TYCOM arrangement.

COFFC will also be supported by Commander, 3rd Fleet, who will report on issues pertaining to the development and implementation of IDTC requirements and policies for West Coast naval units.

The Navy Warfare Development Command (NWDC) in Newport, R.I., will report to COFFC as its immediate superior, for purposes of warfare innovation, concept development, fleet and joint experimentation, and the synchronization and dissemination of doctrine.

NWDC will continue to report to the Naval War College in the process of concept development and to the deputy chief of naval operations for warfare requirements and programs on issues pertaining to Navy transformation, and the development of warfare requirements and programs.

This strengthened fleet and CNO-directed relationship will allow NWDC to expand its leading role in Navy experimentation and transformation.

“I still want the Navy Warfare Development Command to have a strong tie to the War College and that whole apparatus, but I want them first and foremost connected to the fleet,” said Clark.

These changes to streamline the warfare requirements reporting process will become effective October 1, and will complete the structural elements of Clark’s plan to better align the Navy.

Full implementation of this vision will enable the Navy to achieve greater unity of effort in fulfilling the Title 10 responsibilities to organize, train and equip deploying naval forces.

To access the CNO Web page, go to www.chinfo.navy.mil/ navpalib/cno.

*Story by LTBruuna Carl, Navy Office of Information*
USS Arizona (BB 39), burned and sank Dec. 7, 1941. Her forward magazines had exploded when she was hit by a Japanese bomb. On that infamous day, at about 7:55 a.m., the Japanese began their attack on Pearl Harbor and forced the U.S. to enter World War II.
It's been 60 years since the nation's psyche was wounded by Japan's surprise attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Not since the War of 1812 did America have to worry about an attack from an enemy outside its borders. America quickly discovered the price of complacency.

The country had just recovered from the Great Depression and begun to revive its economy, when the Japanese government allied itself with Nazi Germany and began an occupation of Indochina. The United States responded by increasing financial aid to China and cutting off shipments of oil and other raw materials to Japan.

Poor in natural resources, Japan saw this as a threat to their survival. Their government decided to make sure America wouldn't be able to interfere in their plans to seize the resource-rich territories of Southeast Asia.
Above – View looking down “Battleship Row” from Ford Island Naval Air Station, shortly after the Japanese torpedo plane attack. USS California (BB 44) is at left, listing to port after receiving two torpedo hits. In the center are USS Maryland (BB 46) with the capsized USS Oklahoma (BB 37) alongside. USS Neosho (AO 23) is at right, backing clear of the area. Most of the smoke is from USS Arizona (BB 39).

Right – An aerial view of “Battleship Row,” beside Ford Island, during the early part of the horizontal bombing attack on the ships moored there as photographed from a Japanese aircraft. A bomb has just hit USS Arizona (BB 39) near the stern, but she has not yet received the bomb that detonated her forward magazines.
The attack on Pearl Harbor taught the Navy a new lesson, the importance of naval aviation. Two waves, totaling more than 300 planes, took the Pacific Fleet at Pearl Harbor completely by surprise that Sunday morning. They simultaneously attacked the airfields and the ships at anchor in the bay. By doing this, the Japanese achieved almost total air dominance, ensuring few American planes could launch a counterattack.

The attack was over two hours after it began. By then, there was a combined total of 2,403 military and civilian dead and 188 aircraft losses. Twenty-one ships of the Pacific Fleet were sunk and destroyed. Most notably, USS Arizona (BB 39) was mortally wounded by an explosion during the attack.

Above Left — The forward magazine of USS Shaw (DD 373) explodes during the second Japanese attack wave. At right is the bow of USS Nevada (BB 36), with a tug alongside fighting fires.

Left — The wrecked destroyers USS Downes (DD 375) and USS Cassin (DD 372) in Drydock 1 at the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard, soon after the end of the Japanese air attack. Cassin capsized against Downes. USS Pennsylvania (BB 38) remained, occupying the rest of the drydock. The torpedo-damaged cruiser USS Helena (CL 50) is in the right distance, beyond the crane. Visible in the center distance is the capsized USS Oklahoma (BB 37), with USS Maryland (BB 46) alongside. Smoke is from the sunken and burning USS Arizona (BB 39), out of view behind Pennsylvania. USS California (BB 44) is partially visible at the extreme left.
Sailors work to extinguish a Navy Catalina Patrol bomber burning at Naval Air Station Kaneohe, Oahu, during the Japanese attack that left more than 2,300 people dead.

This photo from a Japanese aircraft shows torpedo planes attacking “Battleship Row” at about 8:00 a.m. on December 7, 1941. Ships are, from lower left to right: Nevada (BB 36) with flag raised at stern; Arizona (BB 39) with Vestal (AR 4) outboard; Tennessee (BB 43) with West Virginia (BB 48) outboard; Maryland (BB 46) with Oklahoma (BB 37) outboard; Neosho (AO 23) and California (BB 44). West Virginia, Oklahoma and California were torpedoed, as marked by ripples and spreading oil, and the first two are listing to port. Torpedo drop splashes and running tracks are visible at left and center. The white smoke in the distance is from Hickam Field. The grey smoke in the center middle distance is from the torpedoed USS Helena (CL-50), at the Navy Yard's 1010 dock.
The attack on Pearl Harbor galvanized a divided nation just as we are united over a second infamous moment in history, which America and the civilized world are now enduring. During World War II, we defeated a distant country. Today, we battle a shadowy enemy of fear and terror. As it served us then, our unity serves us now.

It is only fitting that after the attacks of September 11, we look more closely at the first “date that will live in infamy,” to honor those who fought before us and to inspire us for the fight which lies ahead.

Above Left – USS Arizona (BB 39), sunk and burning furiously, December 7, 1941. Her forward magazines had exploded when she was hit by a Japanese bomb. At left, men on the stern of USS Tennessee (BB 43) are spraying fire hoses on the water to force burning oil away from their ship.

Left – A poster designed by Allen Sandburg, and issued by the Office of War Information, Washington, D.C., in 1942, in remembrance of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 features a quotation from Abraham Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address: “...we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain...”
"It was really cool to be integrated with an American platoon," said Pvt. Craig Barber, of the Canadian Scottish Regiment. "Working with the U.S. Navy and Coast Guard was really impressive."

Photo by PH2(AW) Jim Watson

Just four months ago, our military and our allied armed forces had no idea that their joint training would be as valuable as it is at this moment. Not to say that any training is taken for granted, but the attack on September 11 forever changed the way Americans, and the world, see a growing number of issues and tasks.

At no time in our country's history has there been such a tremendous need for homeland security as there is now, and our Reserve forces are serving side by side with active-duty military and civilian agencies to fill that urgent need.

While no one could have predicted that dreadful attack, Reserve units around the world have always been training to fulfill countless missions. Be it here within the United States, or abroad in a foreign land, protecting the high-value assets of our country and our allies has been the scope of numerous training exercises for years.

Exercise Seahawk 2001 was no different last summer, as it brought together more than 30 different commands to once again test and refine those skills which would be called upon sooner than most of them thought.
leaving behind their civilian attire to don a uniform usually reserved for one weekend a month and two weeks a year, thousands of military Reservists have recently been called into action. They do it because words like honor, courage and commitment are not just slogans on a billboard, but a way of life they have sworn to uphold.

And it's training days like the ones spent on Naval Magazine Indian Island, Port Hadlock, Wash., that have prepared them to do so. Hundreds of Reservists from almost every branch of the Armed Forces convened upon that base last summer to prove to their respective services, and most importantly themselves, that they have what it takes to get the job done.

Seahawk's prime goal revolves around the development of a standard operating procedure for harbor defense when more than one country or element is involved. Meeting the goal this year required the Reserve units to visit "Mondo," a small fictional island nation under fire in an apparent act of revolution, sparking sentiments of a real-world catastrophe. It's this exercise, and others like it, that have prepared Reservists to provide the assistance our nation currently needs. As for Mondo, one day it was Naval Magazine Indian Island, Port Hadlock, Wash., and the next day it was transformed into a fictitious nation under political stress.

This "island nation" was used to support what RADM Marke Shelley, U.S. Naval Reserve mobilization commander for Military Sealift Command Pacific, called "the Navy's premier harbor defense and naval coastal warfare force protection training exercise."

The Reservists, and a small contingency of active-duty and foreign military, were challenged, trained and most importantly, unified in the same goal — to make sure Mondo is not destroyed, and protect its high-value assets.

“We don’t train to a schedule of events at Seahawk,” said Shelley. “We respond to a shift in the scenarios as provided by the participating units. This allows our people to exercise their minds, learn to think on the move and test their decision-making skills.” Their tests began as word came in that Mondo, comprised of the islands of Camano, Whidbey, Indian, Marrowstone and the Quimper Peninsula, was fighting a civil war against rebels seeking independence from the nation. During the next “few days” — which was actually just a morning and afternoon of the initial day, compressed to stay within the 12-day training window — Seabees, from Naval Mobile
Tieaskie, a Reserve Seabee stationed with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 18 out of Fort Lewis, Wash. “You get to see all the different elements of war used by various units, as well as their function within the scenario.”

In all, more than 30 different commands were represented for Seahawk, including Military Sealift Command Pacific; U.S. Coast Guard Port Security Unit (PSU) 313; Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 11 and 17; Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit (MDSU) 1, Det. 419; and the foreign presence of the Canadian Scottish Regiment. “This is our fourth Seahawk exercise,” said Lt. Col. Stan Willow, commanding officer of the Canadian forces that participated in the exercise. “It gives us a unique opportunity to practice amphibious and littoral warfare.

When we first started coming, we concentrated on point defense. Each year we’ve been able to build on the previous scope and complexity of the exercise, progressing from static defense and gate guard duties, which the Navy Reserves picked up from us, to the more traditional military elements.”
tional infantry tasks of recon and assault
on objectives to guarantee free harbor
operations."

As part of the scenario of Seahawk,
news became available that the Mondo-
vian government was retaining control of
basic civilian functions. Their presence in
the area was working, and there was still
hope that peace would prevail.

Suddenly, word came through the
pipeline that both the deputy mayor and
chief of police had been assassinated. Acts
of vandalism by the Mondo Island
Liberation Organization (MILO) against
government facilities and humanitarian
relief shipping rose, both in frequency
and intensity. It was becoming clear
that this peacetime mission might turn
to conflict.

Riots burst out during the next few
days, and PSU 313, from Tacoma, Wash.,
was tasked with guarding the pier areas
of Mondo. In their 25-foot Piranha secur-
ity boats, with a 50-caliber machine gun
forward, and two M-60 machine guns aft,
and with speeds reaching 45 knots, the
Coast Guardsmen could be on any hostile
target within seconds.

Racing through the waters of Puget
Sound and taking turns so sharp that the
water spray only had inches to travel
before smacking their faces, these
Reservists knew they would have to be
the first line of defense. With the Navy's
inshore boat units (IBU) gone from this
year's exercise; pulled to travel halfway
around the world for real-world force
protection at Bright Star 2001 in Egypt;
the Coast Guard would have to be sharp.
Where they would normally have been
the third line of defense, with the enemy
making it to them only after finding a

A sudden thud caught everyone's
attention as something struck the pier.
People looked around in confusion. Then
the explosion came, rocking the structure
and covering the scene in smoke and
cries for help. Dazed, many were left with
the unsure feeling of what to do next as
they viewed the carnage that unfolded
before their very eyes. A "terrorist attack"
had caused a "mass casualty."

Using mannequins and live volunteers
simulating victims, everyone in the area
rushed to help. U.S. Army helicopters
flew in to evacuate the injured, as joint

"From harbor safety operations world-
wide, to protecting dignitaries afloat,
investigating potential inshore threats is
our primary mission," said Boatswain's
Mate 3rd Class Jason Martin, coxswain on
one of the Coast Guard vessels. "This
baby can really move into action."

That action was sure to come. First it
was the riots, which no one saw other than
on paper mission reports, but on the fifth
day of the exercise, all hell broke loose.

services tended to the wounded. Navy
corpsman and Army medical compo-
nents worked side-by-side with Canadian
medical units to provide care, but there
was a problem.

"Some of the Medevac plans that
looked good on paper were found to be a
little different when we had to put the
rubber to the road," said Reserve Hospital
Corpsman 1st Class (DV/PJ) Christopher
Owston of EOD Mobile Unit 1. "We had
a few things to work out, and it was good
training for us, because we saw what
works and what doesn't. We've got a good
A Canadian truck is guided off a U.S. Army landing craft from the 385th Transportation Battalion. The Canadian Scottish Regiment transited five hours from Vancouver.

A Canadian Scottish Regiment soldier waits for transportation back to base after rounding up all the Mondo Island Liberation Organization (MILO) soldiers who had been hiding in the forest.

**The Need Has Arisen**

plan of action now that will fix the things we saw faults in.”

As the haze cleared and the wounded were taken away, everyone knew that although they saw problems in the drill, it was successful because they had walked away with insight on how to fix it.

The next day, the Canadian Scottish Regiment had its plan. Attack the coastal perimeter of the island, and root out the MILO. Carried to their destination by PSU 313, the Canadians hit the beach with guns blazing. As they pushed their way through the brush, taking out target after target, it was apparent the MILO meant business. Although dug in deep, it only took hours for the regiment to push forward and destroy their targets. Pulling out in a mock-casualty drill, the regiment went back to the tent city to prepare for that night’s final conflict, which would once and for all rid Mondo of the MILO.

Ultimately, the infantry rounded up all the bad guys, and with help from the command units of Seahawk and the United Nations, the Mondovian government was reinstated. Although the mission was a great success, the forces proved to be a valuable tool in training for harbor defense. The participants learned a lot from this year’s exercise and will leave prepared for anything that comes our way.”

That need has arisen with more than 32,000 military Reservists called upon to defend our way of life. Their missions are sure to run smooth due to joint exercises like Seahawk 2001 and countless others.

Watson is photojournalist assigned to All Hands.
With mobility and firepower greater than most countries, a U.S. aircraft carrier is able to take the fight to the Taliban's doorstep, while keeping our troops on American turf.

When things heat up around the world, the first question asked is, "Where is the nearest carrier battle group?"

That's because the Navy brings its own turf to fight from – four-and-a-half acres of sovereign U.S. territory, anytime, anywhere.

Through hundreds of air strikes, thousands of bombs loaded and dropped, Sailors and Marines work 24 hours a day on one mission – to destroy the terrorists ability to operate with impunity from Afghanistan. One month into the operation, U.S. and coalition forces have already expended more than 6,000 bombs and missiles.

"The use of carrier-based aircraft and sea-launched Tomahawk cruise missiles against terrorist and Taliban forces in land-locked Afghanistan, fundamentally validates the whole reason you have a Navy," said Chief of Naval Operations, ADM Vern Clark.
As flight deck control personnel carefully orchestrate aircraft movement on USS *Theodore Roosevelt* (CVN 71), an aviation ordnanceman uses the display board to ensure the correct ordnance payload is on each aircraft.

Aviation ordnancemen attached to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 22 load bombs before a mission against terrorist strongholds and Taliban military installations in Afghanistan.
An aviation ordnanceman on board USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) pushes a 2000-pound bomb that will be used to strike targets in Afghanistan.

In preparation for air strikes into Afghanistan, aviation ordnancemen attached to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 94 load 20mm ammunition into the M61 Vulcan six-barrel rotary cannon that is internally mounted in the nose of an F/A-18 Hornet.

4.5 Acres of Sovereign U.S. Territory
Working together, aviation ordnancemen assigned to USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) move a bomb across the flight deck to the wing of an F/A-18 Hornet in preparation for air strikes in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.
Working through the night under USS Carl Vinson's (CVN 70) vapor lights, an aviation ordnanceman prepares weapons for carrier air wing aircraft flying bombing missions into Afghanistan.

4.5 Acres of Sovereign U.S. Territory

Flight deck personnel guide an F/A-18C Hornet to one of the bow catapults on the flight deck of USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70).
“I have not yet begun to fight!”

— Capt. John Paul Jones, U.S. Navy, Sept. 23, 1779, in battle at sea aboard Bonhomme Richard

The Tomahawk techs on board USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) fired some of the first shots of Operation Enduring Freedom.
Fire Controlman 1st Class Kevin Kraemer is a Tomahawk technician assigned to USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53). Prior to October 7, that fact might not have impressed too many people.

When America began launching missiles into Afghanistan, his job, and the job of many other Sailors, became an important part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

A Tomahawk land attack missile (TLAM) was launched from the guided-missile destroyer USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) in a strike against al Qaeda terrorist training camps and military installations of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan.
Like his ship’s namesake, Kraemer was intent on beginning the fight. “I actually asked to fire the first shot,” he said the first class. “I just wanted to do my part and support the President.”

Kraemer is the leading petty officer of the weapons department aboard John Paul Jones, and also heads up a group of Sailors who carry the title of “Tomahawk Tech.” These Sailors are charged with planning out flight paths, entering coordinates and actually firing the Tomahawk missiles their ship carries.

Because of airspace restriction, the flight path of this weapon isn’t always straight, said FC3 Doug Braase. The Tomahawk will twist and turn to different GPS (Global Positioning Satellite) points, avoiding various geographical and political boundaries, until it gets close to the target. Then, the cruise missile switches to a terminal guidance system, arriving with pinpoint accuracy at its final target.

The missile can also be programmed to pause after penetrating the target, to allow the destruction of deep bunkers and caves.

“When we found out we would be firing the morning of the 7th, the boss came and gathered us in a huddle and told us about the situation,” said Kraemer.

“Most Tomahawk techs go their whole career without ever firing a single shot,” said Braase. That’s not the case with this group of Sailors; they fired about 30 Tomahawk missiles. “It’s good experience,” Braase added.

The Tomahawk is a long-range subsonic cruise missile that is launched from ships and submarines. These missiles are designed to fly an evasive route at high speeds and are directed from several onboard guidance systems. The TLAM’s first use was during Operation Desert Storm in 1991 with great success.
The Tomahawk has evolved over the years to include two new kinds of guidance systems, Terrain Contour Matching and Digital Scene Matching Area Correlation, to help the missile recognize its surroundings and guide it to its target. A more recent addition is an onboard Global Positioning System. Combined with its small radar cross-section and low altitude flight path, the Tomahawk is extremely elusive and difficult to detect on radar. The weapon can be configured to carry one of two types of warheads at a time: a 1,000-pound blast/fragmentary unitary warhead, and a general-purpose submunition dispenser with combined-effect bomblets. The Tomahawk has a range of about 870 nautical miles, making it an ideal weapon of choice for the first days of Operation Enduring Freedom, when it was sent into the mountains of Afghanistan to give bomber pilots some security from possible air defenses. Future versions of the Tomahawk will include battle damage assessment and in-flight targeting. These newer versions are expected to enter service in 2003.

Much like that of our nation, the mood aboard John Paul Jones following the terrorist strikes September 11 was very somber. “I was really worried about threats of more strikes,” said Gunners Mate 2nd Class Matthew Carlo.

The crew sat and watched President Bush’s speech September 19. “It was one of the greatest speeches of our time,” said CDR David Steindl, commanding officer, John Paul Jones. “It really gave the crew a sense of determination.”

It was that determination, along with their skill and training, that guided the crew on John Paul Jones as they played a huge role in the opening days of Operation Enduring Freedom. As the Sailors of John Paul Jones and other ships’ crews create a new naval heritage, there is no question that the fight has just begun.

Ingle is a photographer’s mate assigned to All Hands.
While everyone in the military ultimately works for the Commander in Chief, only a very few get to do so at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

Some Sailors serve on admirals’ staffs; others find themselves at a desk job. But this is about as far from a typical ship tour as you can get and still be in the Navy. It’s an extremely important job with no room for error — like all Navy jobs, you have to pay attention to detail when you’re working for the President of the United States.

“There are days when I think, ‘Wow, I’m in the White House,’” said Chief Yeoman Ward Dirksen of White House Military Office (WHMO) operations. “Then I come inside and it becomes another day at the office. It’s a real honor to work here.”

Most military personnel serving at the White House are assigned to the WHMO and are employed in several areas, including the White House Medical Unit (WHMU), the Navy White House Mess, and the Presidential Emergency Operations Center (PEOC).

For them to work in these areas, Sailors have to be “hard charging,” with diverse work experience, and they have to be dedicated to their profession like none other.

“The Sailors who work here really stood out from their peers, which is how they came to be selected for duty at the White House,” said CAPT Michael H. Miller, WHMO’s deputy director. “With people like that, you can never have a bad day here.”
To work close to the President, members of all services, both officer and enlisted, must pass a very extensive background check and be granted a White House security clearance.

"They go through everything," said Yeoman 2nd Class (SW) Christopher Johnson of WHMO administration office. "When I was up for my interview, I was asked if I was ever late with a payment. I said, 'No,' but then my interviewer showed me a copy of my credit record, and sure enough, there it was."

"They give you the opportunity to explain yourself. You'll have to make a written statement about anything that comes up during the interview," noted Johnson.

If candidates are found suitable, the Office of the Secretary of Defense will grant the clearance, and members will soon find themselves rubbing elbows with the Commander in Chief and other dignitaries.

Working near the leaders of our nation doesn't necessarily turn these Sailors into superhumans.

"I'm just an ordinary Sailor," insists Chief Hospital Corpsman (FMF) Norm Greear. He's one of two Navy enlisted
Qualified as an independent-duty corpsman, HMC Norm Greear could run a medical department at a small command. At the White House, he may be called upon to treat anybody, including any of the 1.2 million visitors each year.

All the President’s Sailors

and senior White House staff.

“Every time there’s a state function, we’re there,” said Greear.

You’d think that Greear would have it easy just looking after the President and a few others, but compared to the number of patients an independent-duty corpsman normally has to look after, Greear has a slightly larger pool. He may be called to respond to any of the 1.2 million visitors a year who pass through the White House.

“We get elderly people, and sometimes they end up waiting in line when it’s hot outside,” recalled Greear. “I’ve had to treat everything from a cardiac arrest to somebody who just needs a sip of water.”

“Serving at the White House has got to be the most unique job in the Navy,” Greear added. “Very few Sailors ever get a chance to do this. It’s really a dream come true.”

As a matter of fact, at any given period there are approximately 300 Sailors assigned to presidential duty. Many of them find they enjoy the tour so much they seek other presidential duty billets.

Greear was selected for a tour at the White House after coming straight off a stint at Camp David, the presidential retreat. Before that, he was at a school for IDC, which he said helped clinch the spot for Camp David, and later, the White House.

“IDC school punched my ticket,” said Greear.

Another advantage of White House duty is the opportunity to work side-by-side with soldiers, airmen or coast guardsmen. They’re all represented at the White House.

“Doing joint duty has been a real eye opener,” said Electronics Technician 1st Class Paul Owens of the PEOC. “Just being in a joint environment and learning everyone else’s lingo has shown...
me how the other services operate."

There is one other Navy enlisted member in this office, Information Systems Technician 1st Class (SW) Ricky Powlas. Owens and Powlas are part of a joint team whose job is to man the PEOC 24 hours a day to keep the President's military aides informed.

“Our job basically is to keep the military aide aware of anything he needs to brief the President,” said Powlas. “He’s on call 24 hours a day.”

It’s this hard work and dedication to the job that has given Powlas, along with 17 of his shipmates at the center, the appealing package that had them advanced to chief petty officer on the last board.

Owens and Powlas have also watched the history unfold.

“We got to support the Mideast Peace Summit at Camp David last year,” said Owens. “Although it took place at Camp David, we were here providing support from the White House. It felt good to take part in such an important event.”

These Sailors also find a lot of history right under their noses.

Owens said, “What I like best about being here is all the history associated with this building. Just walking down the hallways, seeing all the pictures. It’s great just thinking that JFK walked the same halls here as Bill Clinton and George Bush.”

Owens cited the Diplomatic Reception Room as one that’s seen a lot of history. “That’s the room where the President receives all the visiting dignitaries.”

In contrast to the two Sailors who work in the PEOC, the largest number of Sailors working in the President's home can be found in the Navy White House Mess.

The mess handles the majority of food
preparation, and the staff is composed of about 50 Navy members, most of whom are enlisted. They provide the daily meals for the President and senior White House staff, and pitch in for special big events like state dinners.

"The MSs provide quality assurance, to make sure the food is appropriate for the President. They either watch as it's being prepared, or prepare it themselves," said LT Frank Fuller, director of White House Food Services.

MSs at the White House have to think on their toes just like their ship-bound counterparts.

"This job teaches you how to be flexible," said MS1 Julianne White of the White House Mess' logistics division.

"You have to be ready [for anything] on a moment's notice. For example, if you're away on a trip and you realize you don't have something the President needs, you have to improvise."

One thing most Sailors would agree on; the biggest advantage of working at the White House is just being part of history in the making. Of course, they can't just walk into the Oval Office, but why bother? They're already in the home of their Commander in Chief. Sooner or later they're bound to run into the most powerful person in the free world.

Editor's Note: Sailors who want to serve at the White House (under WHMO) have to be released by their normal detailer to negotiate with the "Shore Special Programs, Headquarters Activities" detailer (p401 ofl). Once they've been identified as a possible candidate, they are put on "White House hold" until an interview can be arranged.

For more information about how to request duty at the White House, members can contact their individual detailers or the Headquarters Activities detailer, YN1(SW) Roy Kingston at DSN 882-3886, or (901) 874-3886. Kingston is also responsible for detailing Sailors to the White House Communications Agency, the offices of the Secretary of Defense and Navy, plus several other major Washington, D.C., offices. To inquire about duty at Camp David and Marine Helicopter Squadron 1, contact YNCS(AW) Donald Schmidt (p401 ofl) at DSN 882-3880 or (901) 874-3880.
HIN K YOUR JOB IS EXCITING?

Try being one of the 50 mess management specialists working at one the most famous addresses in the world. While you might expect to see a more senior Sailor working in this prestigious position, Mess Management Specialist 3rd Class Ivan Saez does his job with the professionalism, dedication and attention to detail of a seasoned veteran.
how he ever got a great job like this.

He swipes his security badge, says hello to the highly armed guards who lurk in the shadows and then walks into the west entrance of 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. — the White House.

Saez, if you haven't already guessed, is one of about 50 Navy mess management specialists working in the White House. Cooking for some of the most powerful people in the United States — only feet away from the leader of the free world — must be a heck of a challenge. Sometimes, as he walks through the black wrought iron, high-security gates, Saez wonders...
— can be a little stressful, but Saez can deal with it. After all, it was dealing with pressure and standing out in the fleet environment that got him selected for presidential duty in the first place.

“When you see the President, it’s like, ‘Wow! That’s my boss,’” said Saez. “I never thought I would be working at the White House when I joined the Navy.”

But that’s where the New York City-native has found himself; at the Navy White House Mess, located in the West Wing just under the Oval Office. The mess is where, if you are important enough, you can dine with the Commander in Chief on your left and hard, Saez made a name for himself that would eventually pay off; though he never dreamed how well.

After spending a few months in the crew’s galley, Saez began to show his maturity and leadership potential and was moved to the position of watch captain of the bake shop, where, although he was a seaman recruit, he was placed in charge. This is where Saez honed his skills and learned to work side-by-side, as an equal, with shipmates of all ranks.

It was not long after this hard-charger’s move to the bake shop that he kicked it up a notch and found himself working as the night baker for Commander Carrier Group 6, where he was responsible for the admiral’s dinner and staff midrats.

The daily routine of the mess is not Saez’s job alone. Everyone assigned to the presidential galley takes turns performing the many tasks that need to be completed.

movie stars and sports heroes on your right. But getting on the maitre d’s guest list at Saez’s “restaurant” is not as easy as it would be at your local Olive Garden. You have to either be an upper-level White House staffer or a guest.

Saez came to the White House in March 2001, after his first assignment on USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

“I loved it in San Diego,” said Saez. “There were just so many great people there who were willing to take a young guy out of “A” School and teach him what they knew.” During his time on Stennis, Saez seized the opportunity to stand out. As a junior MS eager to work

In addition to its two formal dining rooms, the White House Mess also runs a take-out window where Saez was working on this day. He takes phone orders from staffers who work at the White House and has the hot food waiting by the time they arrive at the window.
Working at the White House allows MS3 Saez to meet people he would never have a chance to meet otherwise. On this day, Saez shook hands with New Orleans Saints Pro Bowl Wide Receiver Joe Horn. Horn took time to meet all the MSs and give them an autographed football card.

At that point, Saez looked around and saw that he had already set himself apart from the rest of the pack. Just a seaman apprentice, his hard work paid off and he became one of the top MSs on the ship. Things just couldn’t get any better – or so he thought.

One day, while Saez was attending a “C” school on record keeping, he heard something about recruiters coming to the school to set up interviews for people interested in serving at the White House. He checked it out and got an interview. Since he had just been meritoriously advanced to petty officer 3rd class, and had a great service record, Saez found he was eligible for the opportunity of a lifetime.

After a long process of interviews and background checks, Saez finally got word that he had what it takes to become a member of the White House Mess. “When I found out I got accepted, I was ecstatic. I called my parents, and they were so happy for me,” said Saez. This was Saez’s chance to become a piece of history in the making.

The White House Mess can trace its origins as far back as 1880, when Navy stewards were charged with the task of providing food-service to then-President Rutherford B. Hayes aboard the presidential yacht USS Dispatch (PY 8).

MSs began serving the president ashore in 1942 when Franklin D. Roosevelt established the presidential
retreat, "Shangri-La" in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains. This was later renamed "Camp David" by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1953, to honor his grandson.

Navy MSs didn't actually come to the White House until 1951, while President Harry S. Truman was in office. RADM Robert L. Dennison, naval aide to the President, suggested that there should be an officer's mess at the White House.

After careful planning and a search for top Navy chefs, the White House Mess was established June 11, 1951.

Since the Truman years, the job of the White House mess management specialist has evolved to handle all food service needs for the Commander in Chief and his staff, at home and abroad.

"We provide world-wide food service security for the president," said LT Frank Fuller, director of White House Food Services. "If the President goes to London, we will have people there ahead of time, scouting out the places where he will be dining," Fuller added.

Saez sets out the tortilla chips and salsa before the lunch wave hits for Tex-Mex day. The menu at the White House changes daily, with specials that aren't repeated for five weeks.

"Our goal is for the President not to know we're here," said Saez. "It's an 'out-of-sight, out-of-mind' thing. He has more important things to worry about," he added.

Everyone in the White House Mess knows that the job has to get done and it doesn't matter what their rank is.

"This is one of the few places you'll find a senior chief vacuuming the carpet," joked MSCS Tony Siack, as he cleaned up after lunch. "But that's what you have to do to help in the team effort, like so many other places in the Navy."

With a job as important as his, things may seem a bit strange for Saez when he passes through those security gates at the end of the day. It's at this point that his day once again becomes like that of the average Sailor.

His wife of one year, Judith, picks him up and together they battle the D.C. traffic to their modest apartment in a nice Alexandria, Va., neighborhood.

Finally, after a long day of short orders and dishwashing, the 22 year old can relax on the couch and play some video games. Free from the high profile world of his day, he can now kick back and take a breather.

That is, until he hears those infamous four words: "Honey, what's for dinner?"

Ingle is a photographer’s mate assigned to All Hands.
After the terrorist attacks at New York's World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the military was put on its highest alert level. This meant that Navy Masters-at-Arms (MAs) stationed at bases and on board ships around the world executed their force protection readiness more than ever.

Sailors and civilians alike adapted to the loss of many taken-for-granted conveniences for the sake of security and safety as MAs and other security forces increased their vigilance. Having to wait in traffic for hours to get on military installations, the general consensus was that it didn't matter how long it took. People understood that force protection is necessary.

"I believe the future of security in the Navy will mean an increase in force protection," said Master-at-Arms 1st Class Denise Maria Brennan, the day after the attack. "I can definitely see a step up in the training for anti-terrorism, as well as more awareness and instruction to all Sailors around the world."

The MA force is expected to grow from the current level of 1,850 to approximately 4,862 by FY04. That expansion will increase the MA community by more than 263 percent.

Contact your local command career counselor for details on conversion to the MA rating. For more information and guidance on NAVADMIN 185/01, contact the legal/law enforcement enlisted community manager at DSN 224-0805 or (703) 614-0805, or e-mail mailto:N132D1@bupers.navy.mil.

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MA1 Denise Maria Brennan (right) and MA1 Michael Mistiak are both stationed at Naval Station Bremerton. "I feel great about being an MA in today’s Navy," said Brennan. "We’re definitely doing our part to maintain force protection."
Eye on the Fleet

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Reflecting on Big Eyes

Reflected in a signal light, OS3 Kenny Paker stands lookout aboard USS Blue Ridge (LCC 19), using the ship's binoculars, known as "Big Eyes."

Photo by PHAN Kurt Eischen

Under Hornet's Wing

AO3 Nichol Klee of Fighter Attack Squadron (VFA) 147 uses a speed handle to lower the folded wing on an F/A-18 Hornet on board USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

Photo by PH3(AW) William K. Fletcher
LCAC CROSSING

SN Deltravis Williams, assigned to Beachmaster Unit (BMU) 2, directs a Landing Craft Air Cushioned (LCAC) ashore in Puerto Rico while participating in training exercises.

Photo by PH2 Christopher M. Staten

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P-3 PUZZLE

AD2 Luke Torchia works on a piece of equipment for a P-3 Orion at the test cell facility in Misawa, Japan.

Photo by PH2(SW) John Collins

SNIPING SEABEE

CMCN(DV) Timothy Plummer stands a forward security watch during a Seabee Engineering Reconnaissance Team (SERT) mission in support of Exercise Tandem Thrust in the vicinity of Shoalwater Bay training area, Queensland, Australia.

Photo by PH1 Eric Tilford
Reflections on Freedom and Service

By The Honorable Gordon R. England, Secretary of the Navy

Sixty years ago this month, nearly 2,400 Americans were killed and 21 ships of the United States Pacific Fleet were lost or damaged at Pearl Harbor - the first attack on American soil since March 16, 1916, when Mexican revolutionaries led by Pancho Villa raided the town of Columbus, N.M. The surprise attack on Pearl Harbor stirred a great nation to action, resulting in the unconditional surrender of our enemies less than four years later.

For more than half a century, to include the entire Cold War period, U.S. soil was free of foreign attack. That lasted until terrorists detonated a truck bomb in the basement of the World Trade Center in February 1993, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000. Unfortunately, that attack failed to “awaken the sleeping giant,” and America allowed itself to be lulled into a false sense of security. The military downsizing continued as a way to cash in on the “peace dividend.”

Standing on the flight deck of USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), the forward watch keeps a vigilant eye for anything suspicious.

The terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, shattered our world in a way not seen since Dec. 7, 1941. Not since the bloodiest days of the Civil War had so many Americans perished in a single day, and like Pearl Harbor, this was an attack that threatened our way of life as freedom-loving people. A lesson was relearned - that we do not have a birthright to the freedoms, liberties and economic prosperity that we as a nation are privileged to enjoy. Instead, these blessings must be earned and defended, as they have been by generations before us dating back to the earliest days of our republic.

What makes me so proud to be your Secretary of the Navy is that each of you, whom I serve, is a volunteer in the cause of freedom. You recognized the importance of service to country before this current crisis. With your commitment, the Navy has been ready to defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

After the horrific events of September 11, we now take up the responsibility to carry the torch of freedom for future generations.

You are at the tip of the spear in this current war against terrorism, and I thank each and every one of you for your service. You and all of our people are the mainstay of our naval services.

The American military man or woman, when stirred to anger and filled with resolve, is a frightening foe indeed - as our past enemies inevitably discovered. We will remain vigilant, and prepared to carry out the President's orders. We will spare no effort to defend the American way of life and support our Commander in Chief's pledge that, “Whether we bring our enemies to justice, or bring justice to our enemies, justice will be done.”

A battle of this magnitude will call for patience, resolve and sacrifice so that future generations might know the freedom we enjoy, and now defend. As we have throughout history, our nation will overcome this tragedy and emerge with an even stronger dedication to our fundamental principles and values. My thoughts and prayers are with you, your families and our Commander in Chief.

Thank you for your service to our great nation, and God Bless America.
10X Teaser

Whether up close or from afar, this obvious symbol of pride rallied Americans and the World to stand behind our country.

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Last Month’s Answer:

Last Month’s Answer: The fouled anchor insignia that will be worn on the cover of the new Sailors of the Year.

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