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Any Day in the Navy

During the year, All Hands magazine brings you photos and stories from around the world. But we only publish a small number of the stories that are out there. With the limitations of staff, time, and pages, how do you tell a Sailor about all of the forward-deployed forces, or the seemingly minor changes in our work environments that improve quality of service? How do you show the fleet the steps being taken to improve our Navy’s future? How do you show the effect these changes have on both the morale of the Sailors and their desire to “Stay Navy?”

Sometimes it’s better to let the fleet show you. We expanded the time frame for shooting photos for the 10th Annual “Any Day in the Navy” issue to cover the entire year. This allowed Sailors to show us their view of events that might not happen on one selected day. The response was tremendous.

After gathering more than 7,000 photos, the staff at All Hands was faced with the difficult task of sorting through them to find those images that best tell the Navy story.

Within these pages are the photographs that you shot; the stories you wanted to tell. They show our people, ships, equipment, recreation and an overall look at the life a Sailor could expect to see any day in the Navy.

Marie G. Johnston, Editor
All Hands magazine

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A child waves a U.S. flag as he welcomes back aircrew assigned to Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 137 aboard Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island.

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An F/A-18 Hornet passes over the flight deck during air operations aboard USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67) during Summer Pulse ’04. Summer Pulse was the Navy’s first test of the new Fleet Response Plan.

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JO3 Sunday Williams of Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs is reenlisted in the shrine room at the USS Arizona Memorial by her leading chief petty officer, JOC Tim Paynter. Williams reenlisted for four years and will soon transfer to USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67). Photo by PH1 William R. Goodwin.
AE2 Justin Ladislado (left) and AE2 David Gray troubleshoot the Identification Friend or Foe (IFF) System of an SH-60 Seahawk assigned to USS Princeton (CG 59).

Photo by PH2 Tiffini M. Jones

LTJG Amit Patel (right) mans a console in the control room of USS Hampton (SSN 767) in the waters off the coast of the United Kingdom, while en route to the North Pole for ICEX `04.

Photo by JOC Kevin Elliott

A boatswain’s mate performs a routine Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) recovery in the well deck of USS Bataan (LHD 5).

Photo by PH3 Jonathan Carmichael

MM2 Barbour McCreer embraces a loved one during USS Enterprise (CVN 65) homecoming festivities.

Photo by PH1 Christopher Mobley

Any Day IN THE NAVY
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This test platform, Weapon Set-To-hit Threat Target (WSTTT), developed in San Diego to support the Operational Test and Evaluation Force (OPTEVFOR), is used to test anti-submarine warfare (ASW) sensors and weapons. It can be lowered and raised from a surface support platform, but it doesn’t have a propulsion system. The platform allows unarmed ASW torpedoes to impact it without any explosion.

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Naval Reserve CDR Phil Landrigan examines a Ghanaian child during the West African Training Cruise Medical Outreach Program (WATC MOP) ’03. WATC MOP is an annual medical exercise designed to provide humanitarian aid and foster the spirit of cooperation between the United States and the people of West Africa.

Photo by PH2 Marie Harmon

Aviation ordnancemen aboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65) connect ordnance to an SH-60 Seahawk assigned to Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron (HS) 3.

Photo by PH3(AW/SW) Joshua Karsten

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 40’s CECN Raymond Peterson looks for contacts before motioning to his patrol to move forward across a road during routine military training.

Photo by PHA John P. Curtis

A group of aircrew students in full flight gear, with their feet on the training tank dock, are learning the basics of surviving in a hostile, open-sea environment by practicing survival flotation techniques at the Naval Survival Training Institute (NSTI) aboard Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla. NSTI, a detachment of the Naval Operational Medicine Institute (NOMI), provides annual high-risk survival training to more than 26,000 Navy and Marine aircrew, Marine ground forces and selected aircrew from other services.

Photo by Gary Nichols

Any Day in the Navy
Atlantic Fleet Sailor of the Year
ADC(EOD/DSW/SW/AW) Charles Scott Bryant
Hometown – Tacoma, Wash.
Enlisted – February 1990
Current Command – Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 2

“I find the inscriptions in the Jefferson Memorial inspiring and relative to our Sailors today – particularly his words concerning societal change.”

Jefferson’s quote on change: “I am not an advocate for frequent changes in laws and constitutions. But, laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind. As that becomes more developed, more enlightened, as new discoveries are made, new truths discovered and manners and opinions change, with the change of circumstances, institutions must advance also to keep pace with the times. We might as well require a man to wear still the coat which fitted him when a boy as civilized society to remain ever under the regimen of their barbarous ancestors.”

An MH-60S Knighthawk helicopter assigned to Helicopter Combat Support Squadron (HC) 8, flies between USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75) and the ammunition ship USNS Mount Baker (T-AE 34) during a vertical replenishment (VERTREP). (This is a digital composite of several images to produce a panoramic view of the operation.)

Photo by PH2 John L. Beeman

ET2 Aaron Lawson, assigned to Afloat Training Group, Middle Pacific (ATGMIDPAC), Pearl Harbor, climbs a ladder to covertly overtake a decommissioned U.S. Coast Guard cutter, during an anti-terrorism exercise held off Ford Island. The exercises are part of an ongoing qualification process to prepare Pearl Harbor-based ships for deployments.

Photo by John Ryan C. McGinley

LT John Snyder signals to launch an aircraft from one of four steam-powered catapults on the flight deck of USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75).

Photo by PHAN Craig R. Spiering
LTJG Justin Hane (left), assigned to Patrol Squadron (VP) 4, trains with instructors in the 2F-87 Operational Flight Trainer, a full-motion P-3C Orion aircraft flight simulator, at the Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing 2 Training Facility. Aircrew personnel from VP-4 and other Hawaii-based P-3C squadrons routinely train at the facility to maintain mission readiness. Photo by PH1 William R. Goodwin

YN1 Michael Donkersloot greets his 2-year-old daughter, Charlotta, upon his return to Pearl Harbor. Photo by CDR Kelly Merrell

AO1 Dawn Hannon, a crew chief assigned to the Navy Flight Demonstration Squadron “Blue Angels,” signals Marine Corps Maj. Len Anderson that she’s waiting for her cue. The Blue Angels pilots and crew chiefs communicate through smoke and hand signals. Photo by PH2 Ryan J. Courtade

Two Sailors assigned to sea and anchor detail aboard USS Yorktown (CG 48) take a break after the ship makes it to the open waters of the Gulf of Mexico during Live Fire Exercises with USS Wasp (LHD 1). Photo by PH1 Bart Bauer

LTJG Kyle Kramer leads a Visit, Board, Search and Seizure team from USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41) during a search of a fishing dhow and talks with local fishermen prior to conducting a compliant search of the vessel. The amphibious dock landing ship Whidbey Island is deployed to the U.S. Central Command Area of Responsibility. Photo by PH2 Ryan J. Courtade
MIDN/C Nicolas Field jumps off the fantail of USS Anzio (CG 68) during a swim call. Each summer, Navy Midshipmen take part in training exercises aboard various Navy vessels throughout the world while preparing for commissioned service as naval officers.

Photo by PH3 Todd Freeman
An American doctor from Expeditionary Strike Group (ESG) 1 provides humanitarian assistance to a patient in Al Faw, Iraq during Operation Sweeney.

Photo by PH1 Ted Banks

A flight deck Sailor makes his way up to the bow to watch the sun rise before the start of flight operations aboard USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

Photo by PH2(AW/SW) Jayme Pastoric

MM3 Daniel Cartagena reunites with his wife after disembarking from the amphibious assault ship USS Boxer (LHD 4). Boxer returned to San Diego after completing a three and a half month deployment in support of troop rotations in Iraq.

Photo by PH2 Bradley J. Sapp

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (SS/AW) Terry Scott reviews recruits during the General Quarters (GQ) portion of Recruit Training Command (RTC) Great Lakes’ ‘Battle Stations.’ Battle Stations is an all-night, final evolution in basic training prior to graduation.

Photo by PH1 Michael Worner

Photo by PH1 Kyle B. White
Tugboats assist USS John F. Kennedy (CV 67) while pulling into Valletta, Malta, during a port visit this summer. Photo by PH3(AW/SW) Joshua Karsten

Chaplain (LT) Joe Coffey prays in the ship’s chapel aboard USS George Washington (CVN 73). Father Coffey was selected as the Navy Chaplain of the Year. Photo by PH1 John Alexander

AT3 Ariana Gomeztorres stretches out a fire hose prior to washing down an F/A-18E Super Hornet assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 14 aboard USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76). Photo by PH3 Kitt Amaritnant

About six to eight inches of snow fell this winter’s day on USS Ohio (SSGN 726). Ohio is the lead ship of the Ohio-class, Trident ballistic missile submarines and also the first in her class to be selected for conversion to SSGN, at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility, Bremerton, Wash. Photo by Wendy Hallmark

Cub Scout Taylor O’Brien struggles with an armload of American flags, distributed for placement on headstones at Barrancas National Cemetery, Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla. Each year, hundreds of area Scouts participate in the decades-old tradition of placing American flags on headstones in the national cemetery to honor the fallen veterans during Memorial Day. Approximately 27,000 flags were placed on headstones this past Memorial Day. Photo by Gary Nichols
A C-2 Greyhound from Fleet Logistics Support Squadron (VRC) 30 prepares to launch from one of four steam-powered catapults on the flight deck of USS Nimitz (CVN 68).

Photo by PH3 Yesenia Rosas

National Football League (NFL) Hall of Fame quarterback, Terry Bradshaw (right) and NASCAR’s Casey Atwood (center) join crewmembers on the bridge of the fast-attack submarine USS Pittsburgh (SSN 720) as the submarine gets underway. Members of the Fitz-Bradshaw racing team embarked aboard Pittsburgh and experienced what it is like to ride aboard a submarine.

Photo by JOC Mark O. Piggott
Sailors depart USS Columbus (SSN 762) after returning to their homeport of Pearl Harbor, following a more than six-month deployment to the Western Pacific.

Photo by PH2 Justin P. Nesbitt

The New York City skyline glows over the flight deck of USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7) during Fleet Week 2004. The ship is one of 12 ships that participated in Fleet Week ‘04 in New York City.

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Students at Officer Indoctination School (OIS), Newport, R.I., march to the parade field where they will participate in a drill competition between their fellow officers. The drill portion of the course teaches the newly commissioned officers about teamwork, discipline and attention to detail.

Photo by PH1 Michael Worner

Marine Corps 1st Lt. Tim Miller and Lt. Allen Karlson, student pilots assigned to Training Squadron (VT) 9 fly in formation in T-2C Buckeyes during a formation training mission over Key West, Fla. Instructor CDR Joe Kerstiens sits in the rear seat evaluating Karlson before his solo formation training.

Photo by EN2 Darin K. Russell
Navy divers, assigned to the Naval Reserves (NR) Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 17, transit Crescent Harbor near Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Wash., while preparing for a training dive.

Photo by PH2 Michael Larson

AN Yue Cheng, assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 105, watches as guided-missile destroyer USS Laboon (DDG 58) comes alongside USS Harry S. Truman’s (CVN 75) starboard side for refueling at sea (RAS).

Photo by PH2 John L. Beeman

LCDR Curtis Philips and LTJG David Snyder guide a P-3C Orion, assigned to Patrol Squadron (VP) 1, through the wash rack after a training flight onboard Naval Air Facility Okinawa, Japan.

Photo by PH2(AW/NAC) Scott Taylor

AO2(AW/SW) Charles Mills drives a forklift up the ramp to transfer ammunition from the hangar bay aboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65) to one of the ship’s magazines.

Photo by PH2(K) Kenny Swartout

DT1(RDH) Julie March performs a routine cleaning on a Sailor aboard USS Kitty Hawk (LHA 3).

Photo by PH2(AW/SW) Erich Ryland

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NAVY
FN Joseph Redhair (left), GM2 Erik Richards and MA3 Michael Brown stand watch at a gun mount before a Chemical, Biological and Radiological (CBR) General Quarters (GQ) drill aboard USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75).

Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technicians assigned to the Bahrain-based Special Operations Task Force 56, work with Army EOD technicians to prepare unexploded ordnance (UXO) for demolition at a safe disposal area in the vicinity of Baghdad. The joint Army-Navy EOD teams are working to destroy the sizable quantities of UXO spread throughout the country to reduce and ultimately eliminate weapons and ammunition available to insurgents for use against coalition troops.

ABC5 Philip Meyers checks the vital signs of ET3 Ryder Buttrey during a simulated Search and Rescue exercise. Buttrey is supposed to have a broken leg and lacerations, while Meyers carefully places him into a safety harness. Meyers, attached to the Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Wash., Search and Rescue team, is participating in a training exercise to qualify other members for search and rescue operations.

MUCS Robert K. Bowman leads Navy Band Pearl Harbor during a memorial service for those killed during an explosion in Pearl Harbor’s West Loch, May 21, 1944. Sixty years ago, more than 24 ammunition ships were preparing for an attack on Saipan when a sudden explosion caused a deadly chain reaction. Total casualties from the tragedy were 163 dead, 396 injured and eight ships lost.


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Dr. (CAPT) David Thompson, a physician at National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Md., performs ear tube surgery on a young patient. According to Thompson, an Ear, Nose and Throat specialist, ear tubes are very common among children and dramatically reduce the amount of ear infections and hearing loss for kids. The surgery usually takes about 15 to 20 minutes to perform.

Photo by JOSN Erica Mater

Navy divers assigned to Mobile Diving Salvage Unit (MDSU) 1 prepare the materials for demolition training in support of exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2004. RIMPAC is the largest international maritime exercise in the waters around the Hawaiian Islands, and included participants from Australia, Canada, Chile, Japan, South Korea, United Kingdom and United States.

Photo by PH1 David A. Levy

PN3 Denzel Christopher (left) and YN3 Arnulfo Obando stand a low-visibility watch on the foc’sle aboard USS Oscar Austin (DDG 79). The low visibility watch is set when atmospheric conditions reduce visibility to less than three nautical miles. The forward watch standers look for navigational hazards in front of the ship and are in communications with the bridge.

Photo by PH2 Shawn P. Eklund

AT3 Lacey Hughs stands elevator watch in the hangar bay aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68).

Photo by PHAN Shannon Renfroe

AN Kevin J. Williams, assigned to USS Enterprise (CVN 65) V-1 Division, is responsible for handling multi-million dollar aircraft aboard the carrier.

Photo by PH2 Shawn P. Eklund
Members of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 6, assigned to USS George Washington (CVN 73), fast-ropes from an HH-60H Seahawk helicopter, attached to Anti-Submarine Helicopter Squadron (HS) 5, onto the flight deck of Canadian patrol frigate HMCS Toronto (FFH 331) during boarding exercises.

Photo by PH2 Brian Miller

Chaplain (LCDR) Lulrick Balzora, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 14, prepares to baptize CM2 Kyle Ellis. Balzora baptized several members assigned to NMCB-14 and NMCB-74 using a 2.5 cubic yard front end loader bucket as an improvised baptismal font.

Photo by BU2 Jerome Kirkland

Shore Sailor of the Year

DTCGW/AW/FMF Michele I. Villagran
Hometown—Salinas, Calif.
Enlisted—March 1992
Current Command—Naval Dental Center Northwest

“My inspirations have been Eleanor Roosevelt and Oprah Winfrey. Both of these women proved that a person can overcome any challenge set before them and accomplish any goal they set their mind to. These women also put their hearts into every task they undertook, which I believe says volumes about what a person can do when they truly believe in themselves.”

Photo by PH2 Charles Ludwig

STS2 Joseph Bergin stands security watch from the bridge as USS Hampton (SSN 767) makes her way from the North Pole to Plymouth, United Kingdom.

Photo by PH2 Brian Miller

The U.S. Navy Rugby Team gets hyped for their match against the U.S. Air Force at the Smokey Point Naval Support Center, Smokey Point, Wash.

Photo by PH2 Eli J. Medellin

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A medical team aboard USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) performs a simulated surgery in the ship’s operating room. The Navy regularly conducts medical training exercises in a variety of scenarios to ensure medical personnel maintain needed skills at sea.

Photo by PH2 Jayme Pastoric

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SEAL Team 8’s pointman takes cover during a simulated firefight during the annual “Show of Force” beach presentation which highlights SEAL teams’ land, air and sea capabilities.

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Navy divers assigned to Naval Intermediate Maintenance Facility Pacific Northwest, return to the surface after attaching new cables to pier-side mooring ‘camels’ aboard Naval Station Everett, Wash. Camels provide needed separation and clearance for ships tied to pier and wharf facilities.

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MU3 Sarah Williams, of the Navy Band Great Lakes, Ill., performs with the Navy Ceremonial Band during pre-race ceremonies at the Milwaukee Mile’s “Black Cat Fireworks 200” Truck Series and the “Nazo Kalwiczki 250”-Busch Series. The Navy Ceremonial Band, Navy Rock band “Horizon,” and the Navy Jazz band from Navy Band Great Lakes all participated in various pre-race events.

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USNS Ericsson (T-AO 194) refuels USS Vella Gulf (CG 72) in the Persian Gulf. The ships are on a scheduled deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Photo by PH1 Michael Worner
Final checkers leap in the air to check the aileron of an F/A-18F Super Hornet from Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 102 prior to launching from the flight deck of USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74).

Photo by PHAN Mark J. Rebilas

Members of the recruit 50-state flag detail perform at one of the weekly graduation ceremonies aboard Recruit Training Command (RTC) Great Lakes, Ill.

Photo by PH1 Michael Worner
LaSonya Lewis, assigned to Commander 2nd Fleet, lights a boiler as part of Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) training. Lewis is the first person outside of engineering department to light off the boilers during the past two years.

Photograph by PH3 Laura A. Vodicka

CTMC(EOD) Raymond Goings, assigned to Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit (EODMU) 8, prepares to disable an improvised explosive device during a class on roadside bomb detection and disposal at Explosive Ordnance Disposal Training and Evaluation Unit (EODTEU) 2. EODTEU 2 provides ongoing training for EOD technicians on new procedures and devices as well as refresher training in preparation for deployment.

Photo by PH1(AW) Marthaellen L. Ball

AC2 Jack Coleman stands watch in the helo direction center (HDC) aboard USS Kearsarge (LHD 3) while in the Central Command Area of Responsibility.

Photo by PH1(AW) Marthaellen L. Ball

EO2 Jeffery Atchison, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74, operates an excavator to complete barriers at a newly reconstructed base camp in central Iraq.

Photo by PH2 Eric Powell

Chaplain (LT) Marc Massie, assigned to Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 74, studies his Bible for an upcoming service.

Photo by PH2 Eric Powell
Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) members and Polish Army soldiers conduct a safe disposal area (SDA) site survey. The SDA will eventually be used to destroy unexploded ordnance found in the Al Hillah area of Iraq. The Navy EOD teams, in conjunction with the Polish Army, is in the area to provide Improvised Explosive Device (IED) response.

Photo by JO1 Phil Beaufort

Marines from the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operations Capable) (MEU (SOC)) and Sailors from USS Belleau Wood (LHA 3) gather for an “All Hands Call.”

Photo by PH3 Erika N. Jones

Divers from Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit (MDSU) 2 and the Bulgarian Navy prepare to enter the waters of the Black Sea during a recent dive exercise. MDSU-2 and crew members assigned to the tugboat USNS Apache (T-ATF 172) spent several days in Varna, Bulgaria, promoting reciprocal security interests in the Black Sea.

U.S. Navy Photo
USS Michigan (SSGN 727) is led into Drydock #4 at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility Bremerton Wash. While in the shipyard, Michigan will receive her Engineering Refueling Overhaul (ERO) and SSGN conversion.

Photo by Wendy Hallmark

Sea, Air and Land (SEAL) teams learn to navigate difficult terrain during tactical mobility training conducted by Naval Special Warfare Group 2 Training Detachment at Ft. A. P. Hill, Va.

Photo by PH1 Shawn Eklund

Reserve Sailor of the Year

HMC(FMF) Larry Gene Tentinger
Hometown – Hawarden, Iowa
Enlisted – Army, 1969; Naval Reserves, 1987
Current Command – Naval Reserve Fleet Hospital Dallas (M/C Rainier)

“The most influential person in my life was my father, Richard E. Tentinger. He was a corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps who fought for our country at Okinawa and Guadalcanal. Without saying a word, my father taught me early on about our Core Values – Honor, Courage and Commitment. Through a work ethic that ensured his family was cared for, he taught me about honor. Every time he displayed the courage to stand up for what he believed was right, even when it meant disciplining the children he loved dearly, he taught me about courage. And, in his marriage to my mother and by always being there for those who depended on him, he taught me about commitment. Through his action in my life, I learned what it means to be a living legacy of Core Values. I now live these values both in and out of uniform and strive to pass them on to others.”

Photo by PH1 Shane McCoy

Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 40’s Alpha Company participate in riot control training while deployed to Okinawa where they are working on construction projects throughout Japan and the Pacific.

Photo by PHN John P. Curtis

ABFAN Jason Baisley braves the cold weather standing flight deck roving watch aboard USS Iwo Jima (LHD 7).

Photo by PHN Christian Knoell
Former First Lady Nancy Reagan lays her head on the flag-draped casket of her husband, former President Ronald Reagan, during a service at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley, Calif. A state funeral was conducted at Washington National Cathedral, Washington, D.C., after Reagan’s casket laid in state under the Capitol Rotunda.

Photo by PH1 David A. Levy

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Seabees of Naval Mobile Construction Battalion (NMCB) 40’s Bravo Company march uphill during routine deployment training. NMCB 40 is currently deployed to Okinawa and is working on construction projects throughout Japan and the Pacific.

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Marine Corps Sgt. Aaron Muscat and CE2 Sean O’Brien post the colors during a remembrance ceremony attended by American and British veterans. The ceremony was hosted by the Royal Naval Association in Essex, England, to honor the men and women who lost their lives at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Photo by PH2 Clifford L. H. Davis

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