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Navy flier brings father home from Vietnam

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Following a plot straight out of a Hollywood movie, Lt. Cmdr. Brian Danielson escorted his father's remains home to Minnesota on May 17, nearly 37 years after his death in combat during the Vietnam War.

Danielson and his mother flew with the remains of Air Force Maj. Benjamin Franklin Danielson from Hawai'i to Minnesota in preparation for a final burial in Kenyon, Minn. on June 15.

Danielson was 18 months old in Kenyon when his father was shot down over Laos on Dec. 5, 1965. The elder Danielson had been flying an F-4 Phantom when he and weapons officer Lt. Woody Bergeron ejected from their damaged aircraft, under enemy fire, and parachuted into the jungle below. Heavy ground fire prevented the downed fliers from being immediately rescued and, ultimately, more than 500 search and rescue (SAR) sorties were flown in an effort to retrieve the aviators in what amounted to the largest SAR mission of the war.

Bergeron was rescued after 51 hours in the jungle, but the elder Danielson never made it home. The Air Force officially listed him as missing in action (MIA) until 1976, when his status was changed to

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Navy Lt. Cmdr. Brian Danielson and the Veterans' Color Guard from Kenyon, Minn. render honors on May 17 as the remains of Danielson's father, Air Force Maj. Benjamin Danielson, are prepared for transportation from Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. Danielson's remains were returned to Minnesota 37 years after his death in combat in Laos.

USS Greeneville returns home

MC2 (SW) Ben A. Gonzales

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The Los Angeles-class attack submarine USS Greeneville (SSN 772) returned to her homeport of Pearl Harbor on May 17 following a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific.

"It's awesome to be back home again. It was my third deployment and it still feels like it took forever. I'm just excited to see my wife again," said Electronics Technician 2nd Class (SS) Shawn Patrick.

Sailors from Greeneville were overjoyed as they greeted their family members on the pier. Some Sailors had the pleasure of surprise visits from close relatives and immediate family. "It's great. It really went by quick. It's been a wonderful homecoming. I have my family here. My son is in the Air Force and he's on leave here to see me. I didn't know that he was going to be here so that's a big surprise," said Master Chief Machinist Mate (SS) Bret Thompson, chief of the boat (COB) for Greeneville.

Greenville left Pearl Harbor on Nov. 17, 2006 to support U.S. commitments in the Western Pacific and strengthen foreign U.S. relationships.

"It feels good to come home off cruise. I'm very excited. I'm very proud of my men; there is no crew more capable. When they see something in front of them, they just gear up and do a good job," said Cmdr. Lorin C. Selby, commanding officer of Greenville, expressed the importance of deployments and how the U.S. Navy plays a significant role in building strong relationships with foreign nations. "I think that all the deployments that the Navy has us do (are) very important because what we do is have close interaction with foreign navies. We go into foreign ports and meet the people. They see the U.S. Navy with the presence of our ships and Sailors," said Selby. "With the global economy we have today, the



U.S. Navy photo by Lori Cravalho

Cmdr. Lorin Selby, commanding officer USS Greeneville (SSN 772), is greeted by his children after returning home from a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific on May 18. The Los Angeles-class submarine departed its homeport of Pearl Harbor on Nov. 17.

world is so much more inter-connected than it was even 20 years ago. Our presence is important in that regard."

USS Greeneville is the 61st Los Angeles-class submarine and the 22nd improved Los Angeles-class attack submarine.

Prayer for peace on Memorial Day

**A proclamation by the
President of the United
States of America**

On Memorial Day, Americans pause with solemn gratitude and deep respect for all our fallen service men and women who have given their lives for our country and our freedom.

Through the generations, the courageous and selfless patriots of our armed forces have secured our liberty and borne its great and precious cost. When it has mattered most, patriots from every corner of our nation have taken up arms to uphold the ideals that make our country a beacon of hope and freedom for the entire world. By answering the call of duty with valor and unrelenting determination, they have set a standard of courage and idealism that inspires us all.

All Americans honor the memory of the lives that have been lost in defense of our freedom. Our nation mourns them and their example of strength and perseverance gives us resolve. We are also thankful to those who have stood by our service men and women in times of war and times of peace.

Today, the members of our armed forces follow in a proud tradition handed down to them by the



heroes that served before them. They are protecting our nation, advancing the blessings of freedom, and laying the foundation for a more peaceful tomorrow through service that exemplifies the good and decent character of our nation. America is grateful to all those who have worn the uniform of the armed forces of the United States, and we will never forget their sacrifices for our liberty.

On Memorial Day, we honor all those who have fallen by remembering their noble sacrifice for freedom. We also pray for our troops, their families and for the peace we all seek.

In respect for their devotion to America, the Congress, by a joint resolution approved on May

11, 1950, as amended (64 Stat. 158), has requested the president to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe each Memorial Day as a day of prayer for permanent peace and designating a period on that day when the people of the United States might unite in prayer. Now, therefore, I, George W. Bush, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Memorial Day, May 28, 2007, as a day of prayer for permanent peace, and I designate the hour beginning in each locality at 11 a.m. of that day as a time to unite in prayer. I also ask all Americans to observe the National Moment of Remembrance beginning at 3 p.m., local time, on Memorial Day.



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USS Boxer makes port visit to Pearl Harbor

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USS Boxer (LHD 4), USS Comstock (LSD 45) and USS Dubuque (LPD 8) pulled into Pearl Harbor on Tuesday as part of a scheduled port visit following the completion of a nine-month deployment.

The Boxer and its strike group were twice extended during their deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and maritime security operations (MSO) in the Persian Gulf. The 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) was also embarked on board for the duration of the deployment.

"The Sailors and Marines both did a wonderful job," said Col. Craig Baker, chief of staff for Marine Forces Pacific at Camp Smith, Hawai'i. "We are very excited to have them home. They executed their mission perfectly."

The Sailors and Marines were greeted pierside by ecstatic friends and family members, all with great smiles and waving hands.

"This is a very emotional time - I know for me - to have my son coming back home," said the father of a hospital corpsman assigned to the Marine unit. "It's hard to describe all my emotions. Having very little communication made this deployment that much harder, but it was great to hear from him when he could call."

For many Sailors on board, this deployment was their first and tested their commitment, especially after their second extension.



U.S. Navy photo by MC1 (AW/SW) James E. Foehl
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"This was my first deployment and even though it was long, it was also very rewarding, both professionally and personally," said Cryptological Technician (collection) 3rd Class Benn Wood. "After our second extension, the whole crew pulled together to get the job done."

For the Marines, the extensions as part of the surge in forces to Iraq and the constant threat of IEDs [improvised explosive devices] and suicide bombers tested everyone on the ground.

"During our five months in

Iraq, our mission encompassed many different things along with the countering of insurgents," said 1st Sgt Thomas Foster, Echo Company first sergeant. "The morale was always high among my Marines and I'm very proud of every one of them. They outperformed all expectations."

While in Pearl Harbor, Capt. Matthew J. McCloskey relieved Capt. Bruce W. Nichols as USS Boxer's (LHD 4) commanding officer (CO) during a change of command ceremony aboard Boxer on May 23. The cere-

mony was during the ship's last stop before returning to its home port of San Diego.

USS Boxer embarked families and friends of crew members for the last leg of the deployment, commonly known as a "Tiger cruise." The Boxer Expeditionary Strike Group (BOXESG) is comprised of USS Boxer, USS Dubuque, USS Comstock, USS Benfold (DDG 65), USS Howard (DDG 83), and USS Bunker Hill (CG 52). BOXESG also includes PHIBRON 5 and the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit.



U.S. Navy photo by MCSN (SW/AW) Joshua Valcarce
USS Boxer's (LHD 4) commanding officer, Capt. Bruce W. Nichols, turns over command of the ship to Capt. Matthew J. McCloskey at a change of command ceremony on the ship's flight deck during its visit to Pearl Harbor on May 23.

Hawaii Navy News Editorial

Sailors and Marines reminded to "Click It or Ticket"

April Phillips

Naval Safety Center Public Affairs

The Naval Safety Center is issuing a reminder to buckle up to all Sailors and Marines that corresponds with state and local law enforcement officials' "Click It or Ticket" campaign, which began in most jurisdictions May 21.

So far in Fiscal Year 2007, 19

Sailors have died as a result

of personal motor vehicle

crashes. Six were not

wearing their seatbelts

and at least three of

those were ejected

from the car.

According to Naval Safety

Center officials, there's a

good chance those

Sailors might only be nursing

cuts and bruises if

they'd taken a few

seconds to buckle

their seat-

belts.

"Far too

many Sailors

and Marines

die each year

in personal

motor vehicle

accidents. Using

seatbelts is the easiest way to reduce that

number. I would encourage everyone to

buckle up each and every time they get into

the car, not just during the "Click It or

Ticket" campaign. It's the law and it's good

common sense," said Rear Adm. George

Mayer, Commander, Naval Safety Center.

The National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration says that 19 percent of all

Americans still fail to fasten seatbelts regularly. A traffic specialist from the Naval Safety Center said Sailors and Marines may believe the inherent dangers of military service far outweigh any hazards they might face on the highway. However, this is a misperception.

"The most dangerous thing you do every day is getting in your vehicle to drive back and forth to work," said Bonnie Revell, Naval Safety Center traffic specialist. "The most important thing you can do is buckle up. It lessens the chance of severe injury or death by being ejected from the vehicle."

The "Click It or Ticket" campaign comes with fair warning for Sailors and Marines. Law enforcement officials heavily publicize the crackdown through media messages.

"During the enforcement period, tickets will be issued to anyone, any-

where not wearing their seatbelt. And military members need to remember that it's mandatory to wear their seatbelts on or off the installation," Revell emphasized.

She hopes Sailors and Marines who are not regularly buckling up will do so to avoid a ticket and then get into the habit. "Click It or Ticket" runs through June 3.



Navy disappointed with lawsuit against anti-submarine warfare training

Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

The Navy is disappointed with EarthJustice's decision to pursue litigation against critical training activities in Hawaiian waters, the deputy commander of the U.S. Pacific Fleet said.

"These fleet training activities are essential to the Navy's ability to ensure our nation's armed forces are fully combat ready and adequately trained according to established, time-tested standards," said Rear Adm. John M. Bird.

The suit, filed May 16 by EarthJustice on behalf of five non-government organizations, asks the court to prohibit naval sonar exercises near Hawaii, saying that sonar can have a negative impact on marine mammals.

But such exercises have already taken place in Hawaiian waters with no problems.

"Since January the Navy has conducted two undersea warfare exercises, incorporating mid-frequency active sonar, with no issues," said Capt. Scott Gureck, Pacific Fleet public affairs officer. "We take steps to identify and avoid marine mammals during training, and we are complying with all laws that protect marine mammals throughout the Hawaiian Islands - the Marine Mammal Protection Act and the Endangered Species Act."

As part of the process of protecting marine

mammals that inhabit Hawaii's waters, the Navy coordinated closely with the National Marine Fisheries Service to identify the mitigation measures in place during these exercises, Gureck noted.

The Navy complies with all applicable statutes, regulations and executive orders and strives to protect the environment, prevent pollution and protect natural, historic and cultural resources. Navy policy requires that major fleet exercises be reviewed for environmental compliance and for potential effect on marine mammals and other marine life.

The Navy has developed and implemented procedures based on the best available science throughout the fleet that are designed to help individual ship commanders maintain readiness and protect the environment during routine training and exercises by identifying and employing appropriate protective measures for sensitive marine resources. These measures provide environmental situational awareness as well as specific operating procedures based on place, date and type of training event.

"As a Navy, we live on and in the sea," Bird said. "We take our responsibility for protecting the oceans and marine life very seriously and have committed resources and a significant amount of effort to that end. We are also committed to provide safe, realistic, and meaningful training."



Runners contribute to NMCRS Fund Drive

Jim Murray

Fleet and Industrial Supply Center

Participants in this year's Ford Island Bridge Run were doing far more than just keeping fit on a beautiful day in Hawaii. Although most of them probably did not realize it, they were also contributing to the 2007 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) Fund Drive.

The 2007 race attracted 1,831 participants and in an April 25 ceremony held at Fleet and Industrial Supply Center (FISC), MWR presented a check for \$915.50 to NMCRS.

For 10 years, the Navy Region Hawaii I Morale, Welfare and Recreation Department has coordinated

one of the best and most popular runs in Hawaii - the Ford Island Bridge 10-K Race.

A race of this size cannot be conducted without hundreds of volunteers to setup aid stations, act as course marshals, assist at the finish line, and do the many other tasks necessary for a successful event. This year, military and civilian volunteers came from all commands, but a large number of them were from FISC, Pearl Harbor.

FISC also conducts the NMCRS fund drive and, in recognition of the supply command's annual support of the Ford Island Bridge Run, MWR contributes 50 cents per runner to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

'Angels of mercy' celebrate 99th birthday



U.S. Naval Historical Center photograph

A surgeon, nurse and corpsman examine a patient on June 2, 1919 at U.S. Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass. The Navy Nurse Corps celebrated its 99th anniversary on May 13.

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It's hurricane seas

Hurricane Categories

Tropical Storm

Winds 39-73 mph

Category 1 Hurricane — winds 74-95 mph (64-82 kt)

No real damage to buildings. Damage to unanchored mobile homes. Some damage to poorly constructed signs. Also, some coastal flooding and minor pier damage.

Category 2 Hurricane — winds 96-110 mph (83-95 kt)

Some damage to building roofs, doors and windows. Considerable damage to mobile homes. Flooding damages piers and small craft in unprotected moorings may break their moorings. Some trees blown down.

Category 3 Hurricane — winds 111-130 mph (96-113 kt)

Some structural damage to small residences and utility buildings. Large trees blown down. Mobile homes and poorly built signs destroyed. Flooding near the coast destroys smaller structures with larger structures damaged by floating debris. Terrain may be flooded well inland.

Category 4 Hurricane — winds 131-155 mph (114-135 kt)

More extensive curtainwall failures with some complete roof structure failure on small residences. Major erosion of beach areas. Terrain may be flooded well inland.

Category 5 Hurricane — winds 156 mph and up (135+ kt)

Complete roof failure on many residences and industrial buildings. Some complete building failures with small utility buildings blown over or away. Flooding causes major damage to lower floors of all structures near the shoreline. Massive evacuation of residential areas may be required.

Hurricane Watches

Weather/marine advisories:

Issued when storms are within 1,000 miles of Honolulu, Hawaii.

Hurricane watch:

Issued when there is a strong possibility that the storm could threaten coastal or inland communities within 36 hours or less.

Hurricane warning:

Issued when there is a high possibility that hurricane force winds will arrive within 24 hours or less.

Hurricane Condition Readiness

Condition Readiness IV

- Maintain areas around the house and keep them clear of debris and loose material.
- Prune dead branches from trees.
- Maintain storm shutters in good repair and keep them easily available.
- Determine location of official shelters.
- Stock and maintain your typhoon supply locker.

Condition Readiness III

- Start monitoring the news.
- Review emergency plans with your family.
- Practice where to go in the house as the hurricane intensifies.
- Get needed supplies.
- Expectant mothers, beyond 37th week of pregnancy should make hospital arrangements.
- Knock down coconuts and secure outside potted plants.
- Ensure loose debris is picked up around the house.
- Refill any special medications.
- Ensure gas tank is full and check your battery, water and oil.
- Move small boats to secure and safe havens.
- Check flashlight and radio batteries and make sure you have extras.
- Charge cellular phones.
- Get cash.
- Prepare to put up hurricane shutters.
- Put important documents in safe deposit box, a home safe, or another safe and dry place.

Condition Readiness II

- Install typhoon shutters, siding or plywood on windows.
- Move vehicles out of flood-prone areas and away from trees.
- Move grills, patio furniture, potted plant and other loose objects inside.
- Tie down anything that you can't bring inside.
- Turn refrigerator and freezer to coldest setting and pack your freezer with newspaper to keep the food colder longer.
- Move furniture away from windows or cover with plastic.

Condition Readiness I

- Fill your tub and bottles with water.
- Secure and brace external doors.
- Move as many valuables off the floor as possible.
- Continue to listen to the radio or television for weather advisories.
- Stay inside and off the roads.

During the Storm

- Stay inside.
- Stay away from windows and doors.
- If the storm becomes intense, retreat to a designated interior safe room.

After the Storm

- Don't leave your home or shelter until emergency officials tell you it's safe.
- Don't go out on the roads until you get the all-clear.
- Watch and listen for reports on flooding or other storm-related activities.
- Don't call the police or other officials unless there is a life-threatening situation or emergency.
- Watch for and don't touch downed power lines.
- Watch your step. There may be broken glass and other debris lying about.
- Report dangling or downed power lines, broken water or sewer lines or broken or downed telephone lines to the proper authorities.

The Day After the Storm

- Don't sightsee. Authorities may be out repairing downed power poles, lines, sewer lines, etc.
- Use batteries and cell phones sparingly; you may not be able to replace them so easily



Photo courtesy of Hawai'i State Civil Defense Office

The island of Kauai bore the brunt of Hurricane Iniki which hit Hawai'i in September 1992. Iniki, the most destructive hurricane to hit Hawai'i in recorded history, bore down on the islands with winds of 145 mph. Damages across the state exceeded \$2.2 billion. Island residents were not prepared for the vicious storm and stores on the islands quickly ran out of supplies.

Important Telephone Numbers:

Emergency police, fire, ambulance - 911

Department of Emergency Management (DEM) – 523-4121

State Civil Defense – 733-4300

National Weather Service (weather advisories) - 973-5286

American Red Cross – 734-2101

HECO Service Center – 548-7961
(to report power outages, downed power lines, trees on power lines)

Board of Water supply troubleline
normal hours – 527-5207
after hours - 527-5200

Hawaiian Telcom telephone repair service – 611

The Gas Company emergency service – 526-0066

Streetlights out City - 564-6113
State - 831-6714

Where to find hurricane preparedness information

Hawaii Navy News archives:

http://www.hawaii.navy.mil/NewsPAO/NewsStand_Index.htm
(Find hurricane information in the A section of the following 2005 issues: May 27, June 10, June 24, July 15, July 29, Aug. 12, Aug. 26, Sept. 2, Sept. 16.)

Navy Region Hawai'i Emergency Preparedness:

http://www.hawaii.navy.mil/PersonnelSupport/PersonnelSupport_Index.htm

Navy TV Hawaii (Channel 2): Hurricane information on Navy TV Hawaii will be aired about five minutes before the hour seven days a week.

Oahu Civil Defense: Information is available on the Oahu Civil Defense Web site at www.oahucivildefense.com or by calling 523-4121. Residents can also call the civil defense office and request a free packet of hurricane readiness information.

Hawaiian Humane Society: For information on how to prepare for your pets in a disaster, contact the Hawaiian Humane Society at 946-2187.

Telephone directory: Disaster preparedness information is available at the beginning of the white pages section in your local telephone directory.

Your Survival Kit

(If you remain at home)

- Flashlights
- Portable radios
- Extra batteries
- Extra cash
- Prescription drugs (10 days' to two weeks' supply)
- First aid kit
- Candles
- Matches
- Ice/coolers for medications that require refrigeration
- Fuel for camping stoves/lanterns
- Pet foods/supplies
- Non-perishable foods – five-day supply
- Bottled water for drinking
- Other water for flushing toilet, washing, etc.

Hurricane Disaster Kit

(These items are not provided at evacuation shelters.)

- A three-day supply of water (one gallon per person per day) and food that won't spoil.
- One change of clothing and footwear and one blanket or sleeping bag per person.
- A first aid kit that includes your family's prescription medicines.
- Emergency tools including a battery-powered, radio, flashlight and plenty of extra batteries.
- An extra set of car keys and a credit card, cash or travelers' checks.
- Sanitation supplies.
- Special items for infant, elderly or disabled family members.
- An extra pair of glasses.
- Important family documents in a waterproof container.

(Left) The storm surge of Hurricane Iniki ripped asphalt into pieces and knocked over palm trees.

Photo courtesy of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service

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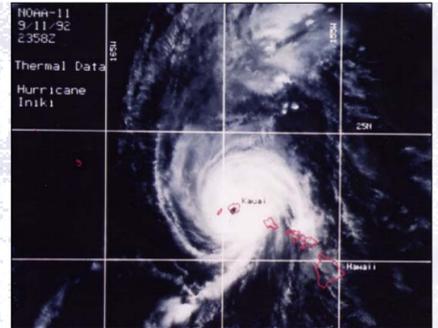


Photo courtesy of NOAA
Hurricane Iniki over the Hawaiian Islands in 1992.

prepare and be aware



This photo shows destruction in the wake of Hurricane Iniki. The potential for property damage in Hawai'i is increased because of the numerous lightly constructed buildings and dwellings. Flying debris from these structures and airborne vegetation increase the potential for serious damage to neighboring properties and utility lines.

Photo by Charles Fletcher (www.soest.hawaii.edu)

Hurricane Shelters on Oahu

Shelters will be opened selectively depending on the severity of the incident.

Listen to radio and television for shelter designations and opening schedule.

If it is necessary to evacuate, emergency shelters may be located on military installations or in the civilian community. When shelters have been ordered to open in the Navy community, personnel who will be sheltered must report to the Navy Exchange Mall for assignment and transportation to a designated location. Evacuees to Navy shelters should not report directly to shelters.

North Shore (Kaena Point - Kahuku)
Kahuku High
Kahuku Intermediate
Waialua High
Waialua Intermediate

Leeward coast (Makua - Waipahu and vicinity)
August Ahrens Elementary
Campbell High
Ewa Elementary
Honowai Elementary

Ilima Intermediate
Kaimiloa Elementary
Kaleiopuu Elementary
Kamaile Elementary
Kaneolani Elementary
Kapolei Elementary
Leihoku Elementary
Maile Elementary
Makaha Elementary
Makakilo Elementary
Maukalani Elementary
Nanakuli Elementary
Nanakulu Intermediate
Nanakuli High
Pohakea Elementary
Waianae Elementary
Waianae Intermediate
Waipahu Elementary
Waipahu High
Waipahu Intermediate

Central Oahu (Wahiawa - Mililani and vicinity)
Helemano Elementary
Iliahi Elementary
Kaala Elementary
Kipapa Elementary
Leilehua High
Mililani High
Mililani Mauka Elementary
Mililani Middle
Mililani-Uka Elementary
Wahiawa Elementary
Wahiawa Middle

Pearl City - Salt Lake (and vicinity)
Aiea District Park

Aiea Elementary
Aiea Intermediate
Aiea High
Aliamanu Intermediate
Halawa District Park
Highlands Elementary
Lehua Elementary
Makalapa Elementary
Moanalua Elementary
Moanalua Intermediate
Moanalua High
Palisades Elementary
Pearl City District Park
Pearl City High
Pearl City Highlands Intermediate
Pearl Harbor Kai Elementary
Pearlridge Elementary
Radford High
Red Hill Elementary
Salt Lake Elementary
Waiuu Elementary
Waimalu Elementary
Webbling Elementary

Salt Lake - Punchbowl (and vicinity)
Dole Middle
Farrington High
Kaahumanu Elementary
Kaewai Elementary
Kaiulani Elementary
Kalakaua Middle
Kalihi-Kai Elementary
Kalihi-Uka Elementary
Kalihi Valley District Park
Kalihi-Waena Elementary
Kapalama Elementary

Kauluwela Elementary
Kawanakoa Middle
Lanakila District Park
Lanakila Elementary
Likelike Elementary
Linapuni Elementary
Maemae Elementary
Makiki District Park
Neal Blaisdell Center
Nuanu Elementary
Pauoa Elementary
Puuhale Elementary
Roosevelt High
Royal Elementary
Stevenson Middle

Punchbowl - Waialae (and vicinity)
Aliiolani Elementary
Anuenue Complex
Hokulani Elementary
Jefferson Elementary
Kaahumanu Elementary
Kaimuki High
Kaimuki Middle
Kuhio Elementary
Liholiho Elementary
Liliuokalani Elementary
Lunalilo Elementary
Manoa Elementary
McKinley High
Neal Blaisdell Center
Noelani Elementary
Palolo Elementary
Roosevelt High
Stevenson Middle
Waialae Elementary
Waikiki Elementary

Washington Middle
Wilson Elementary

Aina Haina - Hawaii Kai (and vicinity)
Hahaione Elementary
Kaiser High
Kalani High
Kamiloiki Elementary
Koko Head Elementary
Niu Valley Middle

Windward coast (Kahuku - Makapuu Point)
Ahuimanu Elementary
Castle High
Enchanted Lake Elementary
Heeia Elementary
Kahaluu Elementary
Kahuku High
Kahuku Intermediate
Kailua Elementary
Kailua High
Kailua Intermediate
Kainalu Elementary
Kalaheo High
Kaneohe Elementary
Kapunahala Elementary
King Intermediate
Lanikai Elementary
Maunawili Elementary
Parker Elementary
Pope Elementary
Puohala Elementary
Waihole Elementary
Waimanalo Elementary and Intermediate

Plan ahead to make arrangements for your pet

(1) Residence at local boarding facility.

- Check with veterinary clinics or the local humane society to locate boarding facilities. When selecting a facility, you should be sure that it is out of the hazard area and ask if the kennel has an emergency evacuation plan. Visit the facility to determine their requirements and make sure that it meets your standards.
- Be sure to keep your pet's vaccinations up-to-date. You should also keep a pet carrier on hand for each pet. The carrier should be large enough so that the animal can stand up and walk around inside it. Make sure that your pet has an opportunity to become familiar with the carrier ahead of time so that he feels comfortable when he has to be placed in it.
- Keep a current photo of your pet to help ensure identification if you are separated from him during the emergency.

(2) Stay with dependable friend or relative.

- Make advance arrangements for care of your pet. It

should be a safe place that is away from coastal or low-lying areas.

- (3) Pet stays at home.
- Be sure to stock up on pet food and cat litter for family pets.
 - If they require special diets or medications, make certain to have a two weeks' supply on hand.
 - You should also stock up on newspaper, plastic bags and cleaners/disinfectants to handle pet wastes.
 - Once storm conditions are approaching, make sure to bring your pets indoors well ahead of any disaster conditions. Never leave pets outside or tied up.
 - If you need to evacuate your home, you should prepare an indoor area where your pet can stay. Such an area should be a place that is safe for your pet and is easy to clean. Be certain that there is protection from breaking glass, wind and noise. Use an area that is easy to clean, such as a tiled area or garage. Be sure that your pet has access to a high place, such as a counter top, in the event that flooding occurs.

Follow safety guidelines if you have more than one pet that you must leave behind.

- Do not confine a dog and cat together, even if they are normally friendly.

- Keep small pets, such as rabbits, mice and birds, away from dogs and cats.
- Leave difficult or aggressive animals in cages to ensure that they can't get loose.

Prepare and be sure that your pet's basic needs are provided for:

- Leave water for your pets in bathtubs or sturdy containers that will not spill. You should provide at least a three-day supply of water.
- Leave only dry-type foods to prevent the animals from overeating.
- Use special food dispensers for birds and fish. They must eat daily to survive.
- Put down newspapers to cover the floor and/or have cat litter containers available.

Additional precautions: You should be sure that your pet has a properly fitted collar and an identification tag on at all times. This is particularly important during hurricane conditions. Also keep a leash on hand in order to maintain control of your pet in the event that you need to take the animal to another location.

After returning home:

After the hurricane is over and it is safe for you to return home, be careful when letting your pet loose outdoors and make sure that it is wearing an identification tag. Scents and landmarks that are familiar to your pet may have changed during the storm and could cause it to get confused



Photo courtesy of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service
Storm surge produced widespread flooding along the coastline.

and lost. If your pet should become lost, call and visit the Humane Society as soon as possible.

For more information on how to prepare for your pets in a disaster, contact the Hawaiian Humane Society at 946-2187 or the Oahu Civil Defense Agency at 523-4121.

USS O'Kane proudly shows her colors...



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Paul J. Perkins

The Pearl Harbor-based guided-missile destroyer USS O'Kane (DDG 77) steams through the Gulf of Oman while an SH-60H Seahawk, from the "Eightballers" of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron (HS) 8, moves into position to capture imagery during a photo exercise. O'Kane, as part of the USS John C. Stennis Carrier Strike Group, is on a scheduled deployment in support of maritime security operations.

Coming home: Finding closure after 37 years

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killed in action with no body recovered.

In 1991, a U.S. service pistol exhibited in a Vietnamese museum was discovered to have been issued to the elder Danielson, and in 2003 a piece of bone and Danielson's dog tags were brought to U.S. authorities in Vietnam.

In the summer of 2006, the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) led an expedition to Laos in an effort to find more of the elder Danielson's remains and the younger Danielson joined the effort while on leave from Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 209. By journeying to Laos, Danielson became the first active-duty service member to participate in an expedition for an MIA father.

"Everything lined up perfectly," Danielson said. "My squadron had a brief break in our training and my skipper approved my request. I was very excited to join the effort and the work JPAC does."

Although the expedition did not find any additional remains, DNA testing conducted by JPAC's central identification laboratory concluded that the bone fragment came from his father, allowing the younger Danielson and his mother to plan a final burial and memorial service at a family plot in Kenyon.

"As soon as I got back from Laos," he said, "I jumped back into training with VAQ-209 and even got to fly an exchange flight with a German squadron that flew the same type of F-4s that my father flew. A very short time after walking the jungle trails in Laos where my

father was killed, I was with my squadron in Iraq. It's been a wild year."

Danielson, his mother, and his father's remains were welcomed at the airport by honor guards from the Kenyon VFW and American Legion, the Northland Vietnam Veteran's Association and the Everett McClay VFW Post 1296.

"It's been great to have a proper welcome home for my dad," Danielson said. "This experience, looking for my father's remains, at one point seemed hopeless, but it ended up being a very positive thing. We should all be reminded of what it means to sacrifice for our country and what our country will sacrifice for you. No matter how long it takes, no matter the circumstances, if you sacrifice for our country, we will bring you home."



Explosive Ordnance Disposal Chief (EWS/SCWS) Donald Shaw gives students at Ewa Elementary School a breakdown of his occupation onboard a rigid-inflatable hull boat. Members of Mobile Explosive Ordnance Unit 3 Middle Pacific came out to the elementary school for the student's 'career day' on May 15.

Career Day 'a blast'

Story and photo by
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Sailors from Explosive Ordnance Disposal Mobile Unit Three (EODMU 3) visited Ewa Beach Elementary School for career day on May 15.

The Sailors provided a hands-on learning experience on the every day duties of EOD that was both fun and educational.

"We like to get out and show them that the Navy is very versatile. There's a lot of different things that happen in the Navy, different jobs and careers that they can choose," said Explosive Ordnance Disposal Chief (EWS/SCWS) Donald Shaw.

The EOD group set up various equipment for the children to enjoy, such as a mobile command trailer, an explosive ordnance disposal/reconnaissance robot and a rigid-hull inflatable boat.

"I feel that us coming to the school is beneficial to the Navy in the fact that we show them that the Navy is not just ships; there are many different career paths and different things you can do in the Navy," said Shaw.

Many students favored the mili-

tary members' display over the more classroom-oriented presentations. "Our students are really excited to have the Navy bomb squad here," said Cathy Leggett, parent-community networking coordinator. "It's because they bring all their hands-on equipment and it really just excites the children."

Ewa Beach Elementary School's career day also coincided with a drug awareness program. The Sailors explained different reasons to stay drug free and some of the incentives involved with a drug free life, such as valuable career opportunities.

Personnel from approximately 25 careers participated in the event, including chefs, entertainers, radio personalities, representatives from the Hawai'i Humane Society and the Sailors from EOD 3.

The EOD unit's involvement came from Shaw, a neighbor and friend of Leggett.

"Cathy invited my detachment and [asked] if we had the time to come over and present our bomb-squad EOD equipment to the school and the children," explained Shaw.

"The event is significant to me and the rest of the gentlemen that work with me," he said. "We all have children around the same age as the children here."

Pearl Harbor Highlights



Electronics Technician 1st Class (SS) Paul Acosta receives the first kiss after returning to Pearl Harbor on May 17 from a six-month deployment on board the nuclear-powered attack submarine Greeneville (SSN 772). USS Greeneville deployed to the Western Pacific in support of U.S. commitments in the region and to increase the relationships of foreign navies.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 (SW) Ben A. Gonzales



US Navy photo by MCSN (AW) Eric J. Cutright
Explosive Ordnance Disposal Chief (EWS) David Frederick and Engineman 1st Class(SW/DV) give students at Ewa Beach Elementary School some information on their protective bomb suit. Members of EOD Mobile Unit-3 Middle Pacific came out to the elementary school for the student's 'Career Day' on Tuesday.



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 (AW) Ian W. Anderson
Cmdr. David Wright, executive officer of Patrol Squadron 47 (VP-47), presents a VP-47 command coin to Rear Adm. John M. Bird, deputy commander Pacific Fleet, during a tour of P-3C working spaces at Marine Corps Base Hawai'i - Kaneohe on May 16.



(Below) USS Boxer (LHD 4) Sailors and Marines man the rails while the ship pulls into Pearl Harbor May 22.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN (SW/AW) Brian Gaines

USS Boxer (LHD 4) prepares to come pier side for a much needed port visit to Pearl Harbor on Tuesday. The Boxer and its strike group were twice extended during their deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and maritime security operations (MSO) in the Persian Gulf. The 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) was also embarked on board for the duration of the deployment.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 (AW/SW) Justin P. Nesbitt





Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Apollo Durga of Patrol Squadron 47 (VP-47) attaches an M904-E fuse to the arming wire of a BDU-45 practice bomb during a conventional weapons technical proficiency inspection (CWTP). The CWTP is the first major inspection during VP-47's 18 month inter-deployment readiness cycle. This evolution encompasses everything from administrative evaluations to proper weapons loading.

VP-47 ordnance shop hits home run

Story and photo by
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VP-47 Public Affairs

Aviation ordnancemen (AO) aboard Patrol Squadron 47 (VP-47) passed their annual conventional weapons technical proficiency inspection (CWTP) with flying colors. The inspection was conducted by Patrol and Reconnaissance Wing Two (CPRW-2) on May 7-11 aboard Marine Corps Base Hawai'i - Kaneohe.

The CWTP is the first major inspection during VP-47's 18-month inter-deployment readiness cycle (IDRC). This year's evolution was scheduled for five days, but due to the ordnance shop's hard work, dedication and high levels of camaraderie, they were able to finish this year's inspection one day ahead of schedule.

An enthusiastic Cmdr. Steve Deal, commanding officer VP-47, said, "In case you haven't heard, our ordies knocked the CWTP out of the park."

The whole evolution encompasses everything from administrative evaluations to proper weapons loading. The CWTP ensures all ordnancemen are proficient with every weapon a P-3C Orion carries.

Senior Chief Aviation Ordnanceman (AW/NAC) Lyle Eagle, the lead inspector from CPRW-2, said, "Your (VP-47's) ordnance qualifica-

tion certification program is the model program for the fleet." He especially praised the team's unity and camaraderie as the reason they did so well.

"I couldn't be more proud of all of them and the rest of Team Sword who supported them along the way," said Deal.

The inspection consisted of a thorough evaluation of all administrative records and release and control (RNC) checks of the aircraft. The administrative portion of the ordnance shop is inspected for up-to-date records of everything from certifications to physicals of all personnel.

During the RNC portion of the inspection, the aircraft is checked for the ability to drop weapons and to ensure all systems are working properly. Once the aircraft is deemed mission capable, ordnance personnel are graded on team proficiency of uploading and downloading of weapons. Each and every portion of this inspection is to ensure safety and proficiency of the ordnance shop personnel.

To prepare for the inspection, ordnance personnel conducted over 60 multi-weapon loads consisting of over 75,000 pounds of bombs, mines, torpedoes and missiles.

Their preparation, hard work and dedication over the last six months were clearly evident during the inspection and was the major factor behind their success.

NAVFAC employee to receive diversity excellence award

Denise Emsley

Naval Facilities Engineering
Command Hawai'i

Lori S. Ing of Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawai'i will be honored by the Federal Asian Pacific American Council (FAPAC) as one of three winners in their 2007 award winners in diversity excellence category on May 31.

The awards banquet is part of FAPAC's 22nd Annual Congressional Seminar National Leadership Training Conference and Exhibits and will be held at the Crystal City Gateway Marriott from May 29-June 1.

"I was surprised and practically speechless when I got the news," said Ing, administrative support assistant for NAVFAC Hawai'i regional engineer office. "I had no idea my supervisor had nominated me."

As eloquently written in her award nomination package, Ing is a strong advocate for diversity, actively



Lori S. Ing

encouraging her co-workers to expand their cultural awareness through educational opportunities and local festival participation.

"Lori is a true proponent of cultural diversity and a role model for each of us in this

regard," said Capt. Clifford Maurer, commanding officer, NAVFAC Hawai'i. "She mentors personnel with English as their second language, is a leader with a local disability organization, helps local residents of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) with business management practices, and serves as a leader in Boy Scout Troop 32, comprised mainly of AAPI young men."

"I'm thrilled to be going to Washington, D.C. and very honored that the way I've chosen to live my life is seen as a remarkable contribution towards diversity," said Ing.

Federal Asian Pacific American Council

FAPAC, founded in 1985, is a non-profit, non-partisan organization representing the civilian and military Asian Pacific American (APA) employees in the federal and District of Columbia governments. The primary purpose of FAPAC is to serve as an interagency association providing a focus for over 30 ethnically distinct groups originating from Asian and Pacific regions as recognized by the United States Bureau of the Census.

The organization's awards program is to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the advancement of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) and the promotion of diversity/equal employment opportunity (EEO) in the federal work force and the AAPI community.

The program honors nine individuals, three per category (general schedule grades 1-10, general schedule grades 11-15 and senior executive service).

The categories are: outstanding individual leadership, excellence in individual achievement, and diversity excellence.

For more information, go to <http://www.fapac.org/>.



U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Mark Patterson II

Amphibious assault ship USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6) steams in formation during a photo exercise near Guam. Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group consists of Amphibious Squadron 7, USS Bonhomme Richard, amphibious transport dock USS Denver (LPD 9), dock landing ship USS Rushmore (LSD 47), guided missile destroyer USS Milius (DDG 69), guided missile destroyer USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), guided missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) and 2,200 combat ready Marines of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group arrives in 5th Fleet

Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group Public Affairs

The Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group (BHRESG), along with USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) and USS Chosin (CG 65) homeported at Pearl Harbor, entered the U.S. 5th Fleet area of operations May 19.

The San Diego-based ship's arrival demonstrates the United States' steadfast resolve to enhance security and support long-term stability in the region.

In addition to the Pearl Harbor-based ships, BHRESG is comprised of USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6)(BHR) and its embarked staff; Amphibious Squadron (PHIBRON) 7 and 2,200 combat-ready Marines of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU); based at Camp Pendleton, Calif.; USS Denver (LPD 9), USS Rushmore (LSD 47) and USS Milius (DDG 69).

Capt. Bradley D. Martin, commander, BHRESG/PHIBRON 7, said the strike group

brings a flexible and easily-deployed amphibious force that will further complement coalition forces currently operating in the region.

"We bring with us an inherently adaptable force that is capable of delivering elements of the 13th MEU ground and air forces anywhere their services are required," said Martin. "We are well prepared to take up our duties and support the efforts of the combatant commander whether it be at sea, in the air or on land."

According to 13th MEU's commanding officer, Col. Carl E. Mundy III, his Marines and Sailors have used their time aboard BHRESG's transit to raise their already high level of operational readiness.

"While there is never any doubt to a Marine's level of readiness, 13th MEU Marines and Sailors are taking advantage of their time aboard Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group by conducting constant training evolutions while underway," said Mundy. "This includes live-fire ranges, equipment mainte-

nance and classes on tactics, law of armed conflict, and Arabic culture and language."

Mundy said the 13th MEU is capable of conducting a wide variety of missions, including combat operations ashore, humanitarian assistance, and noncombatant evacuations.

"Broadly speaking, the 13th MEU provides the theater combatant commander with a highly trained, versatile landing force and will respond to missions and taskings that span a wide range of possibilities," said Mundy.

BHRESG will be conducting maritime security operations while in 5th Fleet. U.S. and coalition forces conduct maritime security operations to help set the conditions for security and stability in the maritime environment, as well as complement the counterterrorism and security efforts of regional nations. These operations seek to disrupt violent extremists' use of the maritime environment as a venue for attack or to transport personnel, weapons or other materials.

USS Chosin departs Malaysia

Ensign Christina Linehan

USS Chosin (CG 65) Public Affairs Officer

The Pearl Harbor based USS Chosin (CG 65) departed Langkawi, Malaysia on May 18 after a three-day passing exercise (PASSEX) with the Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) and a five-day port visit.

The PASSEX was a joint exercise involving two Royal Malaysian naval warships and two Royal Malaysian Air Force F-18 aircraft, along with Chosin and Milius. The exercise also included small-caliber weapons firing, air defense exercises, a surface search and destroy exercise, tactical maneuvering and underway replenishment approaches.

"This PASSEX was a huge success and a great experience," said Capt. Steven A. Lott, Chosin commanding officer. "It provided a chance to increase interoperability between the Royal Malaysian navy and U.S. Navy while enhancing the cooperative security relationship between Malaysia and the United States."

However, the PASSEX was

not all work and no play. A dozen Sailors from Chosin and Milius participated in a good will bowling tournament May 11 with the RNM Sailors during the exercise's pre-planning phase.

Chosin and Milius followed the PASSEX with a port visit to Langkawi, a Malaysian resort island. During the port visit, Chosin hosted the mayor of Langkawi, Mansor Bin Haji Ismail, and 50 other Malaysian dignitaries for a reception on board. The reception provided the opportunity for U.S. Sailors to interact with the Malaysian nationals in a relaxed social gathering.

"The Royal Malaysian Navy and the people of Langkawi have made us feel very welcome here," said Lott. "We were happy to have the chance to return some of that hospitality by hosting them on board Chosin."

The port visit also allowed Sailors from both ships the opportunity to experience the culture and hospitality of the Malaysian people and to see the sights. Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) offered various tours and activities such as scuba

diving, biking across the island, visits to bats' caves, and relaxing on the beach.

Other Sailors took advantage of the shopping bargains on jewelry and batik. "I was very impressed with Langkawi," said Ensign Michelle Westhoff. "The beaches were so beautiful and the Eco Adventure tour was really fun."

Several Chosin Sailors also conducted a community service project at the Down Syndrome Community Center. The Sailors played games and sang songs with the children of the center and did some light landscaping. "It is always a great feeling to be able to brighten a child's day," said Lt. Evelyn Lee.

Chosin and Milius are part of the Bonhomme Richard Expeditionary Strike Group (BHRESG). The BHRESG also consists of Amphibious Squadron 7, USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6), USS Denver (LPD 9), USS Rushmore (LSD 47), USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93), and 2,200 combat-ready Marines of the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU).

The BHRESG is underway on a regularly scheduled deployment in the 7th Fleet's area of responsibility (AOR).



U.S. Navy photo by Lt. Juan Cometa

Fire Controlman 2nd Class Donald Wright, Chief Cryptologic Technician-Technical (SW) Onosai Toloumu and Sonar Technician-Surface 3rd Class Barry Despot load a truck with pallets while cleaning up the Catholic Pregnancy and Family Crisis Center in Guam.

Ground blessing held for future satellite communications system



U.S. Navy photo by ETI John Choo

Officials pose with ceremonial shovels for the mobile user objective system project ground blessing ceremony on April 25. Participants from left to right: Vince Fragamene (Watts Constructors, senior construction manager), Cmdr. Rod Worden (NAVFAC Hawai'i operations officer), Capt. Dave Porter (MUOS program manager), Capt. Jim Donovan (commanding officer, NCTAMSPAC), Cmdr. Robert Goodwin (chief staff officer, NCTAMSPAC) and Lt. Cmdr. Ed Kruk (operations officer, NCTAMSPAC).

Cmdr. Bruce Nevel

Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawai'i, Resident Officer in Charge of Construction, Wahiawa

A ground blessing ceremony was held for a new satellite communications system on site at the Naval Station Pearl Harbor Wahiawa Annex at Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Pacific (NCTAMSPAC) in Wahiawa on April 25.

Watts Constructors, LLC of Honolulu, Hawai'i was awarded a \$10,796,000 firm-fixed price contract on March 7 for the Fiscal Year '07 Military Construction (MCON) P-200, Mobile User

Objective System (MUOS). The estimated completion date for this project is November 2008.

MUOS is a next-generation narrowband tactical satellite communication system designed to significantly improve ground communications for U.S. forces on the move. MUOS satellites will provide the warfighter with the latest mobile technology, such as simultaneous voice, video and data, as well as improved service to legacy users of the Navy's ultra high frequency follow-on (UFO) system.

The scope of work for the project includes selective removal work, site preparation for the new antenna compound including concrete foundations, equipment shelter, battery room renovations, confer-

ence room renovations and incidental related work. Site work includes bituminous concrete roadway, concrete sidewalk, chain link fence, exterior lighting, security cameras, transformers, switchgears, power cable, miscellaneous site preparation and incidental related work.

Initial work on the MUOS project was carried out by Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific (NAVFAC Pacific) who is the program manager. Once the contract was awarded, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Hawai'i's (NAVFAC Hawai'i) Resident Officer in Charge of Construction, Wahiawa office, is responsible for administering the execution of the project.

SurgeMain Reservists support shipyard

Marshall Fukuki

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard Public Affairs

Most of the time, Florencio Magana Jr. is an electrician supervisor at Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard (PHNSY). But, when the yard needs him to, he puts on the blue working uniform of an active duty Sailor and serves as an electrician's mate second class.

Magana is among 15 Navy Reservists attached to SurgeMain Detachment 215. The purpose of SurgeMain – short for surge maintenance – is to provide a part-time, flexible, fully-qualified maintenance workforce of Reservists that the Navy can call up and assign wherever it is needed.

When Detachment 215 was established at the shipyard in November 2005, it was only the second unit of its kind in the Navy.

According to Lt. Cmdr. Bob Ramos, the shipyard's SurgeMain production and resource manager, all of the Reservists in the detachment live on Oahu. Four of them, including Magana, are shipyard civilian employees.

Ramos said the detachment is made up of "a mixed bag of engineering rates," including hull maintenance technician, electronics technician, electrician's mate and machinist's mate.

However, he explained, the SurgeMain program "is not rate specific. It is entirely skill specific."

Reservists have been coming in mainly on Saturdays once a month to help on the submarine fleet maintenance availability project.

On March 10, for example, they helped install a periscope aboard a submarine and electrical boxes on a portal crane, reassemble a roller, and inventory prestaged material.

SurgeMain assignments can be very flexible. Ramos noted that in January, three Reservists from the local unit went to Guam for over a month to support the USS Frank Cable (AS 40) phased maintenance availability.

"I fill in wherever the shipyard needs me," Magana said. "Depending on the job, if they need me as a supervisor, I'll be a supervisor. If they need me as a worker, I'll be a worker."

Magana proudly noted he is a "plankowner" of detachment 215, meaning he is one of the original members of the unit when it was established. "SurgeMain is good," he said. "It saves the shipyard money."

Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard is the largest industrial employer in the state of Hawai'i with a workforce of about 4,740 (4,115 civilian/623 military) personnel. In fiscal year 2006, it had an operating budget of \$505 million, of which \$397 million was payroll for civilian employees. Strategically located in the Pacific Ocean, PHNSY is a full-service naval shipyard and regional maintenance center for the U.S. Navy's surface ships and submarines.

For more information on Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, visit <http://www.phnsy.navy.mil>.