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Navy Services Center construction complete

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The Moanalua Navy Services Center, providing a "one stop shop" for Navy Sailors and their families, was officially turned over to the Navy at a ceremony held Oct. 18 at the newly-renovated Moanalua Shopping Center.

Symbolic golden keys were presented to Rear Adm. T. G. Alexander, commander, Navy Region Hawai'i and commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, and Rear Adm. Gary Engle, commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific (NAVFAC Pacific) by Duncan MacNaughton, chief operating officer of the MacNaughton Group.

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Alexander said that the new Moanalua Navy Services Center was an effort to create a "one stop shop" for Navy family needs.

"The services and stability that (the) facilities that we now have here - between the [Navy] Aloha Center and Moanalua Center - are key to family readiness in the Hawai'i

region," explained Alexander.

The new complex will consolidate several Navy quality-of-life facilities on and around the base, including Personnel Support Detachment, Scheduled Airline Traffic Office and Fleet and Family Support Center, into a single location. The Navy family housing office and offices for Forest City Residential Management, the Navy's public-private venture, are located at the nearby Navy Aloha Center. The Joint Personal Property Shipping Office will also be located there.

The MacNaughton group played a key role in the renovation of the center. "When we get an outstanding partner like the MacNaughton Group to work this project with, we were able to put this in place," said Engle.

Originally constructed in the 1950s, the Moanalua Shopping Center has been a longstanding part of the community around Pearl Harbor, providing quick service restaurants and retail shops.

Alexander noted that "we've created a new renovated, rejuvenated retail and service center in this area."

The new facility has already brought in an influx of new tenants eager to set up shop and provide Sailors and the surrounding community with a variety of goods and services.

"The effect on this community is almost immeasurable," said Alexander.



Symbolic golden keys were presented to Rear Adm. Gary Engle, commander, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Pacific (left) and Rear Adm. T. G. Alexander, commander, Navy Region Hawai'i and commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, by Duncan MacNaughton (second from left), chief operating officer of the MacNaughton Group and Jeff Arce, chief financial officer. The opening of the new 55,000 square-foot Moanalua Navy Services Center facility came after two years of construction and an approximate cost of \$17 million. The shopping center project also includes up to 30,000 square feet of other market and commercial use facilities.

If disaster strikes – will you be ready?

Karen S. Spangler

Editor

When an earthquake measuring 6.7-magnitude that was centered on the Kona side of the Big Island literally rattled island residents out of their beds early on the morning of Oct. 15, it was a wake up call for many. Things continued to "rock and roll" a few minutes later by a second earthquake which measured a 5.8-magnitude and numerous smaller aftershocks.

The good thing was that there was no tsunami generated by the large quake and no loss of life. But power was immediately disrupted and Oahu residents were left without electricity throughout the day and into the evening hours.

The Navy's mini marts as well as stores across the island were inundated with shoppers – despite the fact that heavy rains, slippery roads and non-operational traffic signals made driving dangerous. For many people, it was worth the trip to obtain all of those "essential" items, such as batteries, flashlights, non-perishable foods and bottled water, at least until stores ran out of the necessary items on everyone's list.

It served as a reminder that being prepared for disasters of any form – hurricanes, heavy rains and flooding, tsunamis and yes, even earthquakes – is vital.

Hurricane season is still a concern until the end of November. And who knows when islanders might be faced with the "shakes" from another quake.

So be prepared. Make sure that you have gas in your car and that it's in operating condition. Keep some cash on hand. If the power is out, as it was last Sunday, automated teller machines and gas station pumps won't work.

Put your survival kit together. Be sure to have flashlights and a portable radio and be certain they are in working condition. Also purchase extra batteries.

Restock your emergency supplies of candles, matches, fuel for camping stoves and lanterns, first aid supplies, pet foods and supplies.

Make sure that you have at least a five-day supply of non-perishable foods on hand.

Refill prescription drugs and purchase other necessary medication. Obtain at least 10 days to two weeks supply of prescription and necessary medicines.

Not only should you have a first aid kit, but be sure to check and replenish first aid supplies at least once a year. Hopefully, you and members of your family have already learned first aid and emergency medical care.

Be sure that you have commercially bottled water on hand or stored tap water on hand.

Sterilize containers, such as your bathtub and washing machine, to store drinking water. The bathtub and large containers can also be used to store water for flushing toilets, washing, etc.

More information about preparing for natural disasters can be found on the Navy Region Hawai'i Web site at www.hawaii.navy.mil and on Navy Channel 2, in the white pages of your telephone book, and in Hawaiian Electric Company's information-filled "Handbook for Emergency Preparedness" which is available at the Navy Aloha Center and Fleet and Family Service Center.

Previous articles about hurricane (disaster) preparation that have appeared in Hawai'i Navy News can be found in the archives on the Navy Region Hawai'i Web site.

You can also call Oahu Civil Defense at 523-4121, Hawai'i State Civil Defense at 733-4300, and the American Red Cross at 734-2101.

Be aware, be alert and be ready – and don't assume that Hawai'i will be spared the ravages of a hurricane, a tsunami, an earthquake or other natural disaster. Don't shortchange your family or yourself by failing to be prepared.

'Lost' actors judge SUBPAC Culinary Competition

Story and photo by
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Commander Submarine Force
Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

Three cast members from the ABC drama "Lost" all agreed that Naval Submarine Support Command (NSSC) was the winner of the sixth Pearl Harbor Naval Submarine Support Command Culinary Competition which was held Oct. 14 at Lockwood Hall at Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

Cast-away cuisine was the theme for the competition. NSSC, along with six submarine commands, competed using dishes made only with ingredients that could be acquired if they were stranded on an island. Dishes ranged from kalua (earth-cooked) pork and macadamia nut-crusted chicken to blackened shark.

The winning dish was goat cheese-stuffed pork tenderloin prepared by Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (SS) Kelly Mathis.

The four judges were Terry O'Quinn (John Locke), Jorge Garcia (Hugo "Hurley" Reyes), Dominic Monaghan (Charlie Pace) and Nigel Nally, a friend of Monaghan.

NSSC and Commander Submarine Force Pacific (COMSUBPAC) staff members approached O'Quinn weeks earlier when a relative of O'Quinn was frocked to chief petty officer at the COMSUBPAC chief petty officer pinning ceremony.

"I met Mr. O'Quinn at the chief pinning ceremony at Sharkey Theatre," said Chief Culinary Specialist (SS) Juan Hernandez, competition organizer. "I thought getting him and some of his



Culinary Specialist 2nd Class (SS) Kelly Mathis presents the winning dish in the COMSUBPAC Culinary Competition, goat cheese-stuffed pork tenderloin, to Jorge Garcia who plays Hugh "Hurley" Reyes on the ABC drama, "Lost." Garcia and other cast members from the television show, Terry O'Quinn (John Locke), Dominic Monaghan (Charlie Pace) and Nigel Nally, a friend of Monaghan, were judges for the sixth culinary competition which was held Oct. 14 at Lockwood Hall at Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

friends from the show to judge the competition would be great."

O'Quinn agreed and word spread quickly. Mathis, a native of Social Circle, Ga. and a fan of the ABC show, said he was ecstatic and motivated to win.

"When I heard they were coming, I was beside myself," he said. "I knew I had to do something extraordinary. I decided on a dish I saw on a television show, but of course I had to add my own touch."

In a ballroom packed with service members and their families, the cooks from the Pearl Harbor based, nuclear-powered submarines displayed talents that one judge thought was

impressive.

"I didn't know what to expect," said Garcia. "I was overwhelmed to see such a great presentation to go along with great tasting food. This definitely compares with a fancy civilian culinary contest. This was a lot of fun."

In the end, however, there could only be one judges' choice. This was NSSC's first win in the competition. The winner of the People's Choice Award was USS Olympia (SSN 717) and their blackened shark entrée.

"I didn't think we were going to win, especially with Olympia pulling the cards with the shark," said Mathis. "But we'll take it."



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Testyon hands over USS Cheyenne helm

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Cmdr. Mike Tesar relieved Cmdr. Rick Testyon as commanding officer of USS Cheyenne (SSN 773) during a change of command ceremony onboard the nuclear-powered attack submarine at Naval Station Pearl Harbor on Oct. 6.

Capt. Kenneth Perry, Commander Submarine Development Squadron 12, guest speaker, talked about the importance of command at sea.

"Sometimes we take the magnitude of this responsibility for granted," Perry said. "We may even take for granted those who deliver excellence in the extraordinary crucible of command. All submarining demands a lot, but com-

mand demands it all."

After his speech, Testyon was presented with his third Meritorious Service Medal for his accomplishments as commanding officer of the nuclear-powered attack submarine since June 2004.

During his tour, Testyon and his crew completed a Western Pacific deployment and received a Meritorious Unit Citation. They also earned the Submarine Squadron Seven Battle Efficiency "E" award, Red and Green Navigation "N" and the Green Communications "C" awards in 2005.

While reminiscing about the last two years, Testyon said his success was made possible by his crew.

"In this job, I have had the honor to work for and with some of the finest men I've ever known," said Testyon. "I am proud of the crew onboard the Cheyenne. I salute

each of you for your devotion to duty and country. In my eyes, you are all American heroes."

After his speech, Testyon and Tesar each read their orders in completion of the change of command ceremony.

"Rick Testyon, thank you for giving me a great turnover," said Tesar. "It is clear to me that your strong leadership has been the cornerstone of Cheyenne's success. I promise this crew I will do my best to ensure excellence and I look forward to serving with each one of you."

Testyon is a 1986 Naval Academy graduate. He served as executive officer of USS Pennsylvania (SSBN 735), USS Henry Clay (SSBN 625), USS Trepang (SSN 674) Deep Submergence Unit Detachment Turtle (DSV-3) and USS Albuquerque (SSN 706).



Capt. Kenneth Perry, Commander, Submarine Development Squadron 12, presents Cmdr. Rick Testyon with his third Meritorious Service Medal for command of the nuclear-powered attack submarine, USS Cheyenne (SSN 773). Testyon was relieved by Cmdr. Mike Tesar as commanding officer of the Pearl Harbor-based, submarine at a ceremony Oct. 6.

Tripler ready to give flu vaccinations

Mark Jackson

Tripler Army Medical Center
Public Affairs Office

The influenza vaccination schedule for "high risk populations," as identified by Center for Disease Control (CDC), has been set. The adult immunization clinic

located on 4C Oceanside at Tripler Army Medical Center will provide flu vaccinations from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 13, 17, 20 and 27 and Dec. 1.

The CDC defined "high risk populations" as follows:

- People who are 65 years of age and older.
- People 18 years and older who

have underlying, long-term illness (heart or lung disease, metabolic disease [like diabetes], kidney disease, a blood disorder, or a weakened immune system (including people with HIV/AIDS).

- Women who will be pregnant this season.
- People who live in nursing homes or other chronic care

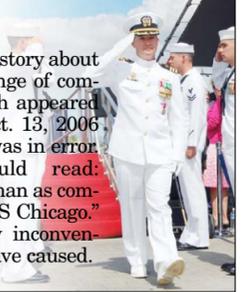
places.

- Individuals under 18 years of age should contact the pediatric immunization clinic at 433-6234.

For more information, call the Tripler influenza vaccine hotline at 433-3357 or visit the Tripler Web site at www.tamc.amedd.army.mil.

Correction:

The headline on the story about the USS Chicago change of command ceremony, which appeared on page A1 of the Oct. 13, 2006 Hawai'i Navy News, was in error. The headline should read: "Stoner relieves Wortman as commanding officer of USS Chicago." We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused.



Hawaii Navy News Editorial

What's the smart financial move?

Pacific Fleet Master Chief (SS/SW) R. D. West

Hoo-yah, Warriors! I want to wish all my Navy brothers and sisters out there a great big happy 231st birthday.

In my column this week, I wanted to talk for a minute about January and its upcoming raise.

Are you thinking about what to do with that extra shot of money Uncle Sam is planning to put into your pocket?

True, it may not seem like a huge windfall, but you might want to consider that it can help become a windfall later on down the road.

I offer this suggestion because I run across too many Sailors and their families who subscribe to the "carpe diem" philosophy of financial management - spend for today!

That's not always the best plan.

I know that it seems like a great idea to take your raise and finance that 61-inch plasma screen TV you've wanted. But is a TV today going to help you out five years from now? Ten years from now? When you hit retirement?

You'll be lucky if it still works by then. But I know that pay raise could still be working for you if you choose another option.

Everyone needs a strategy for their money. No matter whether it's a little or a lot, the smart person puts together a financial strategy for the long-term as well



FLTCM(SS/SW) R.D. West

as the here and now.

So you're probably saying, "Hey Fleet, I already have a budget," or something similar. Well that's great - if it is a good budget.

Does it let you pay yourself? Does it give you

flexibility for emergencies? Does it plan for retirement or after-service life?

If you don't know those answers, maybe you should find out by asking some questions.

Do you pay yourself? By that I mean, are you setting some money aside in savings?

Shipmates, we all need to pay ourselves. It takes some discipline, but it's well worth it to prepare for the future, to have that nice vacation, or to weather an emergency.

Here are some tips:

- Use automatic transfers and allotments so you never "see" the money you are saving. One rule of thumb is to increase your TSP allotment in January for the same percentage you are getting as a pay increase. If you don't get used to the extra money, you won't miss it.

- Cut back on the weekly items so you can put a little more away over time. You don't necessarily have to go without, but manage yourself.

- Make and stick to your budget. Know where your cash is going so you can make sound decisions. When you see where you're spending, it's easier to keep the expenditures down.

Do you have the money to do what needs to be done? The biggest thing (and hardest at times) to do with many Americans is reducing their debt.

If you are managing your budget well, you're probably not in a bad debt situation. But things happen. Big car repairs, poor credit card judgment, there are a lot of reasons people get into debt.

Now's the time to look at reducing any debt you might have.

If you need some help, your command financial specialist or the Fleet and Family Service Center are there to help. But talking with creditors to work out a payment arrangement or getting a consolidation loan are great possibilities. Those counselors I mentioned can help make it easier. Making sure you get debt under control now will keep you from paying on it for years and years.

One way some Warriors pay on a huge debt is by visiting a payday loan lender - or as I like to refer to them, "major scam artists." The only folks who go there are folks looking to pay more than \$800 for a \$325 loan. Stay away, you got me?

Finally, are you looking to the future?

I know the word "retirement" seems a lifetime away, but it will arrive before you know it. Why try and play catch up in your later years when you know that is next to impossible?

Your retirement nest egg is different from a savings account. Savings are considered "liquid" so you can get to it anytime. Your retirement is a long-term, never-touching-that-money-for-awhile deal.

Now it doesn't have to be much, because as a long-term project, a little adds up to a lot over time. Here's a couple of options.

The Thrift Savings Plan is a great start toward a retirement program. It comes right out of the check before you can feel it and is invested for you into the mutual fund or funds of your choice. You can get more information on the Thrift Savings Plan online at www.tsp.gov.

Traditional or Roth IRAs are another great choice for savings.

A traditional IRA gives you the advantage of a lower tax bill now because the money isn't taxed until you pull it out when you hit about 60 - then Uncle Sam will have his hand out.

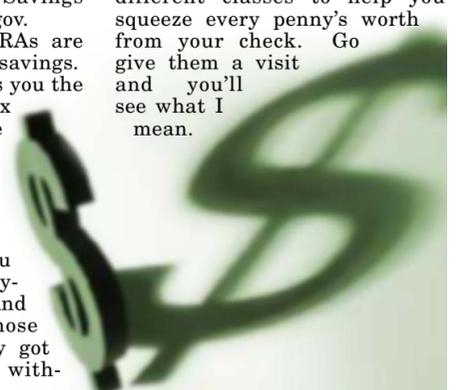
The Roth IRA lets you save and invest while paying taxes up front. And since you've paid those taxes, you've essentially got free money when you withdraw it later in life.

Both have benefits and catches, but the key thing is that you are planning and preparing for the future. The Navy or commercial financial planners can help you make that plan.

Shipmates, I know there's just not enough money in the world to pay you what I think you are all worth. I wish there was.

I want you to take your hard-earned pay and not only enjoy it now, but make it work for you over the long haul. The seemingly difficult sacrifices made today can be a little tough, but you will thank yourself a few years down the road.

I guarantee it. Hoo-yah!
Fleet tip: Want to know more about financial planning and investing? Just check out the Fleet and Family Services Center in your area. Their financial counselors are always offering different classes to help you squeeze every penny's worth from your check. Go give them a visit and you'll see what I mean.



SECNAV Navy Birthday message to the Fleet

Secretary of the Navy Donald C. Winter



SECNAV Donald C. Winter

America is an amazing success story. From our humble origins, we have grown, prospered and offered freedom to generations of Americans. We cherish our independence, our liberty and our way of life and like generations before, we unwaveringly defend these bedrocks from those who would do us harm.

Since 1775, when the Continental Congress of the United States recognized the need for naval forces, the United States Navy has been vital in protecting our national security. The

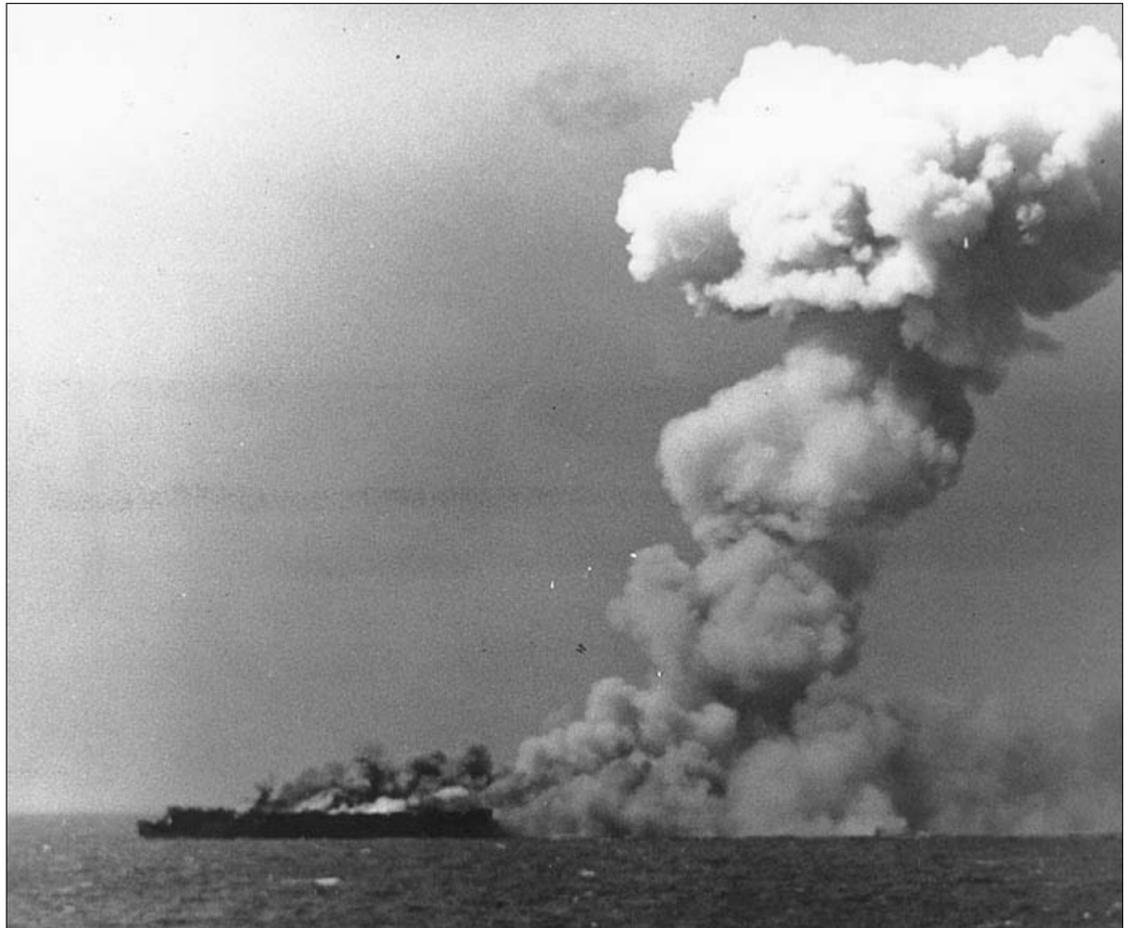
heroism and courage of the Sailors that have fought our nation's wars since the earliest days of the republic is alive today in each and every one of you - as we once again confront an enemy that openly targets our freedom and our way of life. Your willingness to serve, your steadfastness in the face of pressure and your inspiring example of courage in confronting danger are what protect us from those who plot our destruction.

The fact that we live in an increasingly dangerous world is a sobering thought. We have faced great peril before, and we have prevailed. From those in Iraq and Afghanistan, to those deployed at sea and ashore around the world, to those at home who are responsible for recruiting, training, supplying and providing intelligence to the warfighter, you are all engaged in a noble and worthy endeavor to preserve our way of life and keep America safe.

On this 231st birthday of the United States Navy, take unique pride in knowing that your service and your sacrifice continue to do honor to a great nation. Your nation, fellow Americans, and our friends and allies around the world respect and appreciate your commitment.

It is my honor and privilege to be your secretary as we celebrate this birthday. May God bless you, your families and the United States of America.

Loss of USS Princeton (CVL 23), Battle of Leyte Gulf



Official U.S. Navy photograph, now in the collections of the National Archives.

USS Princeton (CVL 23), burning soon after she was hit by a Japanese bomb while operating off the Philippines on Oct. 24, 1944. This view, taken from USS South Dakota (BB 57) at about 10 a.m., shows the large smoke column passing aft following a heavy explosion in the carrier's hangar deck.

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2006 Combined Federal Campaign concludes Oct. 31

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Editor

Less than two weeks remains before the 2006 Hawaii-Pacific Area Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) concludes on Oct. 31, according to Navy Chaplain Steven P. Unger.

The annual fundraising effort gives federal employees and military members the opportunity to pledge donations to one of nearly 2,000 local and national non-profit organizations. "The Navy has been really vital to the program. We

need everyone to support the program because your gift changes lives," said U.S. Army Colonel Michael A. Eyre, project officer for the 2006 Hawaii-Pacific Area Combined Federal Campaign.

"This year, the Navy has been really vital to the program. Participation is the key. This year we're trying to increase participation by 12 percent," said Eyre.

The 2006 Hawaii-Pacific Area Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) kicked off for Pearl Harbor Sailors, family members and government employees at the Navy Exchange

(NEX) Pearl Harbor on Sept. 22.

Frank Ilderton, operations manager for the Hawai'i Navy Exchanges, presented a check for \$20K to the CFC, stemming from NEX patron's donations that have been received over the past year from the Navy Exchange's cashier change collection "Pennies from Heaven" bins.

On behalf of their charitable organizations, the CFC is the only authorized solicitation of federal employees in the workplace.

Federal employees who wish to donate or make contributions to the CFC can designate their contributions

to support the charities of their choice.

By contributing through the CFC, charities can better plan, keep fundraising costs down and maximize benefits that are dispersed.

The pledges made by federal civilian, postal and military donors during the campaign season will continue to support eligible non-profit organizations that provide health and human service benefits throughout the world.

For more information on how to contribute to the CFC, contact your command-designated CFC coordinator.

Actors aboard Cheyenne



Photos by MC1 (SW) Cynthia Clark

(Top) "Lost" cast members Dominic Monaghan, Jorge Garcia and Terry O'Quinn get the experience of sitting behind the controls of a nuclear-powered attack submarine during a tour Oct. 14. USS Cheyenne (SSN 773) hosted the three "Lost" cast members after they judged the Naval Submarine Support Command Pearl Harbor culinary competition.

(Bottom) Machinist's Mate 1st Class (SS) Falanda Culp explains the way a torpedo leaves an attack submarine to Dominic Monaghan, who plays "Charlie" on the ABC drama "Lost." Monaghan was one of three cast members who visited USS Cheyenne (SSN 773) on Oct. 14 after judging the Naval Submarine Support Command Pearl Harbor culinary competition.

Wyoming leaders visit their submarine



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Corwin Colbert

Community and business leaders from Cheyenne, Wyo. visited their namesake submarine, USS Cheyenne (SSN 773), to celebrate the Pearl Harbor-based, nuclear-powered attack submarine's 10th anniversary Oct. 12. USS Cheyenne is the 62nd Los Angeles-class submarine and was commissioned in September 1996.



U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Emily M. Stroia
 Operations Specialist 3rd Class Kamara Bellis performs an identification check of air contacts aboard the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68). Nimitz is currently underway conducting Tailored Ships Training Availability (TSTA) off the coast of southern California.



U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Jeffery J. Gabriel Jr.
 Hospital Corpsman 1st Class Patrick Updegraff salutes a passing Navy ship transiting under the Golden Gate Bridge, while departing from San Francisco Fleet Week 2006 aboard USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6). Bonhomme Richard was one of the many Navy vessels in San Francisco for the 26th annual Fleet Week where Sailors, Marines and Coastguardsmen afforded residents and visitors to the Bay Area an intimate look into the U. S. sea services.



U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Roland Franklin
 A parade of ships including the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz (CVN 68) prepares to pass under the Golden Gate Bridge while entering San Francisco Bay during San Francisco Fleet Week 2006. Since 1981, San Francisco Fleet week has been an annual opportunity for northern Californians to honor the men and women serving in the United States Navy, Coast Guard and Marine Corps. This year, approximately 9,000 crew members on visiting ships will arrive in the city to participate in Fleet Week.



U.S. Navy photo by Aaron Lebsack
 The U.S. Navy Band Country Current performs to a full house at Constitution Hall in Washington, D.C. in commemoration of the Navy's 231st birthday. The concert, hosted by Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Mike Mullen and narrated by Navy veteran and Academy Award-winning actor Ernest Borgnine, was a special salute to Navy shipmates from the post WWII era entitled "I am an American Sailor."

Perry relieves Heatherington as CO of Pasadena

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Cmdr. Douglas Perry relieved Cmdr. John "J.P." Heatherington as commanding officer of the submarine USS Pasadena (SSN 752) in a ceremony Oct. 13 at the USS Bowfin Museum and Submarine Park at Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

Capt. Jack Nicholson, U.S. Naval Academy professor and former commanding officer of USS Wyoming (SSBN 742) Gold, guest speaker at the event, put the emphasis on the great responsibility of command of a nuclear-powered submarine.

"When you take command of

a submarine," he said, "you get billions of dollars worth of hardware. You are also entrusted with the lives and welfare of more than 100 Sailors. Take all of that hundreds of feet underwater and sneak off to strange places where the nearest help may be thousands of miles away. The upbringing we receive as submariners prepares us to handle such responsibility with professionalism and confidence."

After the guest speaker's comments, Capt. Jeffrey Powers, commander, Submarine Squadron 7, presented Heatherington with his third Meritorious Service Medal.

After assuming command in June 2004, Heatherington brought Pasadena through a demanding shipyard availabil-

ity and a challenging Western Pacific deployment. During the deployment, Pasadena performed three missions vital to national security and numerous exercises with joint forces. Pasadena also received Fleet Retention Excellence Awards in 2004 and 2005.

Heatherington thanked his crew for giving him the highlight of his career so far. He also thanked the Pasadena wardroom, his department heads and the Pasadena Foundation for their support of the submarine.

"Without question, this was the best two years of my 20-year naval career because I served with the crew of the Pasadena," he said. "As a team, we accomplished many things, but most importantly, we all became better at our jobs. That allowed us

to improve as a combat unit, improve as husbands and fathers, and improve as patriots of our fine country."

While assuming command of Pasadena, Perry told his new crew he was ready to get to work.

"I know onboard Pasadena the officers lead, the chiefs are technical experts and the crew stands the attentive watch," he said. "Like you, I am eager to get underway to demonstrate Pasadena's warfighting readiness, anytime, anywhere."

Heatherington's next tour is at the Naval War College in Newport, R.I. His sea tours include USS Hammerhead (SSN 663), USS Minneapolis-Saint Paul (SSN 708) and USS Wyoming (SSBN 742) Gold. He is a 1986 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy.



Cmdr. John Heatherington is piped ashore after he was relieved as commanding officer of the attack submarine USS Pasadena (SSN 752) by Cmdr. Douglas Perry in a ceremony at USS Bowfin Museum and Submarine Park.

Construction activities around Pearl Harbor

Naval Facilities
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Moanalua Shopping Center redevelopment:

The newly-renovated Moanalua Shopping Center has been built and some tenants have already opened for business.

The Fleet and Family Service Center (FFSC), Personnel Support Detachment Pearl Harbor, (PSD) and Scheduled Airline Traffic Office are scheduled to complete their moves into the new Navy Services Center by mid-November.

The Joint Personal Property Shipping Office will move into the Navy Aloha Center which is also the home of Navy family housing and the Forest City Residential Management office.

Repave drive / replace pipe railing along fenceline, Makalapa Compound:

This project started on Sept. 15 and is scheduled for comple-

tion on Nov. 16. It will repave Makalapa Drive from the parking lot of building 258 to the intersection of building 250 and adjacent parking areas.

- Phase II (Oct. 23 - Nov. 13) includes: cold planing, base course compaction, repaving, restriping, and parking stop placement.

- Phase III (Nov. 14 - 16) includes: striping and may require partial parking closures.

Scheduled road outages:

- Submarine Base - Parking lot adjacent to building 1655 (CDC) along Bole Street, asphalt paving work through Oct. 31.

- Fleet Industrial Supply Center - Kilo Pier Gate closed. Need to use Simms Street Gate to access pier. Installing security gatehouse and pop up bollards through Nov. 15.

JASS makes mandated changes in log-on procedures, adds enhanced services

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Sailors using the Job Advertising and Selection System (JASS) Career Management System (CMS) or JCMS will notice several changes which started in early October requiring Sailors to log on using their common access card (CAC).

The Web site is also shortening its name to Career Management System/Interactive Detailing (CMS/ID) and is adding a new "gates" and "flags" system that will give Sailors a fast, easy way to check to see if they are eligible for jobs listed in CMS.

"Protecting the integrity of our computer networks and the personal information of our Sailors is critical to our operations and our people," said Chief of Naval Personnel Vice Adm. John C. Harvey Jr. "We made this change to ensure we have the strongest possible protection of our Sailors' privacy information."

Previously, Sailors could log in to CMS/ID using only a user name and password, making it possible to view the system from any computer with an Internet access. Department of Defense regulations state that all government systems such as CMS must be protected through login using Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) certificates, which are loaded on a Sailor's CAC ID card. Sailors will be able to access CMS only from computers that offer these protection certificates.

Sailors who don't have access to a CAC-enabled system will still be able to contact their career counselor or detailer by phone

or email.

With the name change and new log-on requirement comes four new career tools: Gates and Flags, Career Intentions, Physical Readiness Information Management (PRIMS) access, and an improved personal data page.

"Gates and Flags" is a system of checks and balances that immediately notifies a Sailor if they are ineligible for a job. These are shown on the screen by a series of pop-up screens explaining the reason for the Flag or Gate, as well as the MILPERSMAN refer-

ence for easy reference when the Sailor attempts to make the application. These Gates and Flags indicate elements of a Sailor's record or profile that could prevent him from being selected for a job.

For example, it might show that a Perform-to-Serve application is needed, or some similar item. Flags won't prevent a Sailor from applying for a job, but may keep the detailer from approving the choice due to excessive cost of the transfer, whether or not the Sailor's skills match the position, or if it

is located in the Sailor's listed geographic area of preference.

The Career Intentions tool will require Sailors to identify their career intention once a year. This will provide detailers, career counselors and commands with a more accurate rating-strength forecast.

The PRIMS access tool will give Sailors a way to see their physical readiness data on the Sailor History page of CMS. The last five years worth of PRT (physical readiness test) scores will be shown, which could be a factor in some Sailors being

selected for certain jobs.

The improved personal data page will instantly show Sailors information on themselves, including clearances, Exceptional Family Member status, marital status, number of family members, Perform-to-Serve status, etc., just like the detailers now view on their screens in Millington.

Commands will also benefit from the new CMS system, as it will allow them to view job applications and service records of all Sailors applying for jobs in the command. Commands will be unable to view a Sailor's

name, Social Security number or gender. This allows candidates to be picked based on their resume, instead of any other factors.

Commands will rate the applicants and let the detailers know their choices for positions. While the detailer will make the final decision on who gets the job, this gives commands a voice for input into that choice.

For more information, see NAVADMIN 278/06 or contact the command career counselor, respective detailer or visit the enlisted assignments page at www.npc.navy.mil/Enlisted/JCMS/.

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Navy officials pose with sixth graders at Iroquois Point Elementary School. Capt. Taylor Skardon, chief of staff, Commander, Navy Region Hawai'i and commanding officer, Naval Station Pearl Harbor; STG1 (SW) Erik Hawkins, Afloat Training Group Middle Pacific (ATGMIDPAC) partnership coordinator; and Capt. Dell Epperson, commodore of ATGMIDPAC, visited the school on Oct. 16.

Capt. Skardon visits Iroquois Point Elementary School

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Capt. Taylor Skardon, chief of staff, Commander, Navy Region Hawai'i and commanding officer, Naval Station Pearl Harbor, visited Iroquois Point Elementary School (IPES) on Oct. 16 to meet with Bob Elliott, school principal, and tour the school campus.

Over the past several months, Skardon has visited other "Navy-impacted" schools to meet the principals and to tour the schools that Navy children attend. On Monday's visit, he was joined by Capt. Dell Epperson, commodore of Afloat Training Group (ATG)

Middle Pacific.

ATG "adopted" IPES in 1998 and has been an active partner with the school ever since. During Skardon's tour of the school, Elliott unveiled a plaque honoring ATG. The plaque is displayed prominently at the school's front entrance.

IPES sixth grade classes also attended the unveiling ceremony, which was led by the school's kupuna. Skardon and Epperson, along with Sonar Technician Surface 1st class (SW) Erik Hawkins, ATG partnership coordinator, and the Navy Region Hawai'i school liaison, toured the campus.

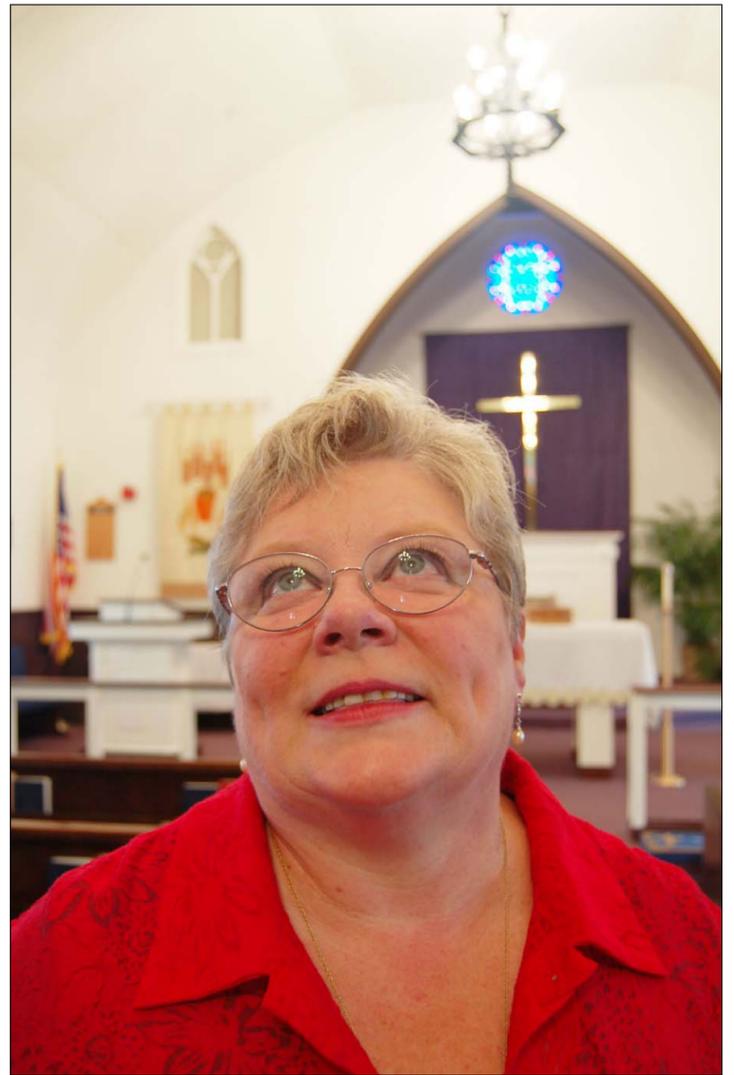
Elliott said that he values his military partners and wants to ensure that the school communi-

ty knows that the ATG volunteers do wonderful things on behalf of Iroquois Point Elementary.

The group was treated to a private concert of patriotic songs played by the school band, visited the school's planned transition center, and learned about fire safety from a class of kindergarteners.

During the last school year, ATG volunteers participated in "tutoring Tuesdays," mentoring activities, beautification projects and career day events. It was evident from the visit that the school not only cherishes its Navy partnership, but more importantly, provides great educational opportunities for its Navy children.

Father lights up her life...



U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Corwin Colbert

Marilyn McNurlin gazes at the wrought iron chandeliers, designed by her father, Machinist Mate Bruno Adolphson, during a visit to the Submarine Memorial Chapel at Naval Station Pearl Harbor on Oct. 13. McNurlin's father enlisted in the Navy in 1942. He was assigned to USS Sailfish (SS 192) and USS Salmon (SS 182). While a member of one of the building shops at Pearl Harbor, he was tasked with designing and building the chandeliers that are still at the chapel today.