

Pearl Harbor Sailor monitors Pacific Fleet's submarine manning

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When President Bush addressed the military after the Sept. 11 attacks, he said, "Be ready." Military members absolutely understand that message. Be ready to support national defense under all circumstances when called upon.

For many, this means leaving their homes and their families for months at a time. It also reminds service members of the great responsibility and value of their jobs.

Behind the scenes at Naval Station Pearl Harbor, one Sailor may just call upon you. He is

responsible for ensuring our nation's submarine forces are properly manned and ready at all times. Yeoman 1st Class(SS) Douglas Frisbie maintains the manning of all submarines belonging to the Pacific Fleet and has been recognized as the Navy's top contributor to personnel readiness. Commander, Naval Submarine Forces Command recognized him with the Combined Staff Submarine Personnel Readiness Award.

"I take care of our Sailors on the waterfront and ensure all of our boats in the Pacific Fleet are fully manned for deployment," said Frisbie, a na-

tive of Mexico, Miss.

According to Frisbie, successful management for a healthy rotation and good balance of personnel onboard the submarines requires focus, dedication and, of course, organization.

"This is one of the hardest jobs I've had because I'm dealing with people's personal lives and many of my recommendations which affect Sailors are based on charts, data and statistics. I have to try and stay as impersonal as possible and to see in black and white. My focus is manning submarines; the mission has to be number one," said Frisbie.

"People who step up to challenges have the opportunity to succeed," advises Frisbie. "The greatest thing is when people step up to the plate for their country and I always remember those people down the road."

Frisbie credits his superior performance to the team of Sailors he works among. "Without the excellent support I get in my office, I wouldn't be able to achieve such recognition. This is the hallmark of a yeoman's career and I truly am thankful to my team."

The Readiness Award is given once a year to only one Sailor within the entire submarine force.

Boxer Sailor is 'dream date' for San Diego single

JO3 Michael Glenn,
USS Boxer (LHD 4)

Some people say women love men in uniform. That certainly was the case with at least one young woman in San Diego, who recently bestowed her affection on Engineman 3rd Class Joey Jenkins.

Jenkins, who is stationed aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Boxer (LHD 4) homeported in San Diego, has what every woman wants. He's smart, athletic, outgoing and into "having a good time." Combine that with the fact that he's a United States Navy Sailor at a time when patriotism in America is on the upswing and he's a great match for any young, single woman. Or at least, he's better than three out of four, as evidenced by his recent appearance on the nationally syndicated television show 'Elimidate,' the latest in a long line of television dating shows.

"Our show is 'The Dating Game' meets 'Survivor,'" said Alex Duda, executive producer for 'Elimidate,' which is produced by the WB Network. "We take a guy or a girl, along with four contestants, and they go on a fantasy date. At the end of every round, one contestant gets 'eliminated' (eliminated) and then at the end of the show, they

wind up with the man or the woman of their choice."

Jenkins competed with three other single men from San Diego when 'Elimidate' and its producers came down from L.A. to film the show.

"We go all around the country (and basically) show people the dating habits of America because it's different in every different town," Duda said. "We really try to make a match so when we get a 'picker' [the single guy or girl who gets to elimidate the contestants at the end of each round] we interview them and we ask what they're looking for in a match. Then we try to set them up with four potential mates who each have one quality they're looking for. So if you tell me you want a beautiful brunette who's smart and funny, one of them will be beautiful, one will be a brunette, one will be smart, one will be funny and you'll have to decide what quality's most important to you in a match."

According to Duda, Jenkins was selected to appear on the show because "he's a hero and what girl doesn't like a hero; he's a man in uniform and every girl likes a man in uniform and he's got a great personality."

Jenkins said he hadn't even heard of the show until the pro-

ducers approached him and his friends in the Gaslamp District of downtown San Diego, but when they told him about it he thought it sounded interesting.

"We were hanging out downtown and they came up and asked me and a buddy of mine if they could interview us for the show. I figured it might be fun so I thought I'd check it out and see what happens," he said.

And not only did Jenkins have fun, but he ended up winning. "It was a lot of fun. We went dancing, went to a few clubs and later on we went to a bonfire on the beach. The whole time I just tried to be myself and show her that I knew how to have a good time," Jenkins said.

"I didn't think I would win and I was kind of surprised that she picked me, but I definitely had a good time. The girl was really cool. I got her phone number and I'll probably call her soon for a second date."

The show is scheduled to air sometime during the television sweeps month of November on the WB Network, which, while allowing the rest of the country to see how they met, gives Jenkins and his new acquaintance a unique perspective on their budding relationship – and a chance to spend their second date watching their first.

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