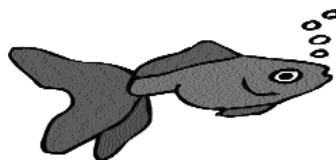


LIBERTY CALL



One Fish,

Two Fish,



Red Fish,

Blue Fish



PACFLT Sailors take part in reading event

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I like to read books in the sun. I like to read books just for fun. I like to read them in a box. I like to read them in funny socks. Yes, I like to read books when I can. And I can Sam I am.

With apologies to Theodor Geisel, reading was exactly what was going on across America on March 2, including Hawaii, where several Sailors from Pacific Fleet headquarters volunteered to read to students at Pearl Harbor Elementary.

It was part of the second annual Read Across America Day and birthday salute to Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, sponsored by the National Education Association.

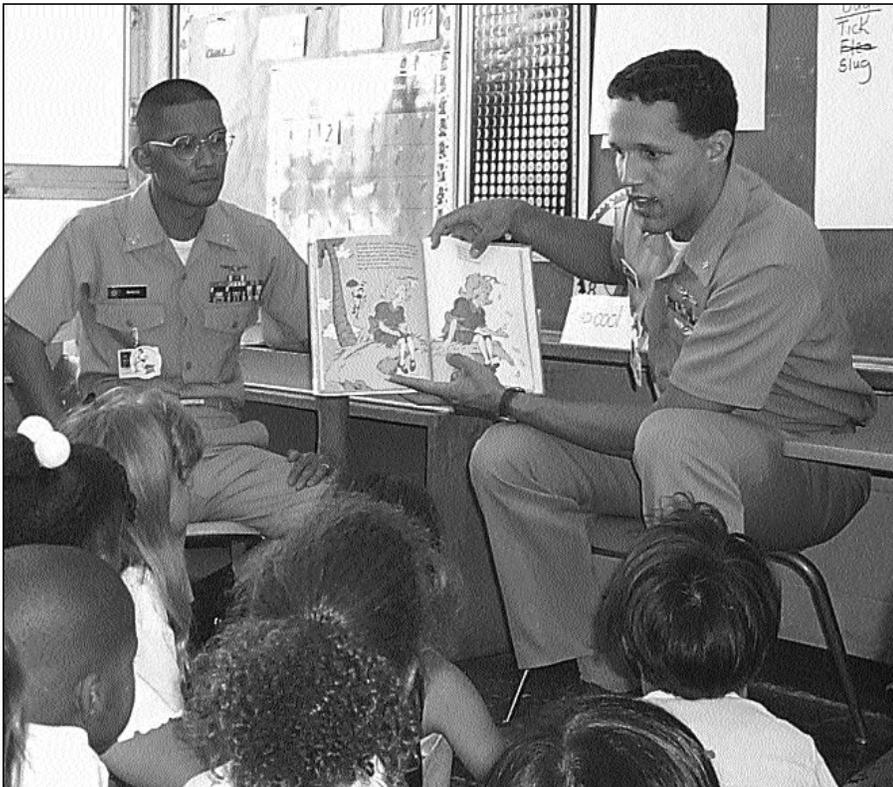
Pearl Harbor Elementary is a part of the command's adopt-a-school program, and many of the reading volunteers take part in other activities during the school year.

"We have wonderful community volunteers and military partners who we can call anytime to help out in many activities here at the school," said Tamela McCullough, the school's parent-community networking coordinator.

"I can't imagine us doing all the activities we have all year long without the help from the Sailors and other military volunteers. I don't think things like the Read Across America Day would be as successful without the adopt-a-school program we have here."

An estimated 20 million adults, children, sports stars, celebrities, parents, teachers, librarians and Sailors celebrated Seuss's birthday on March 2 by reading to school children across the nation.

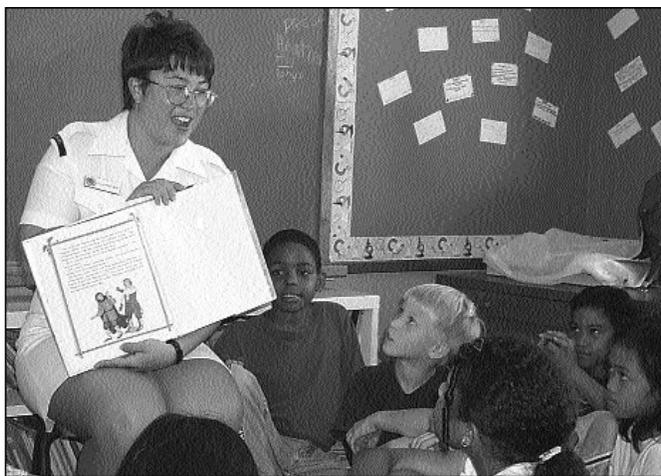
"The goal is to encourage the kids to read



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PNC Dan Marzo (left) and Lt. Sean Greenlee from U.S. Pacific Fleet staff read the Dr. Seuss book "Daisy-head Maisey" to Pearl Harbor Elementary School second graders during the March 2 "Read Across America" day.

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CTA1 Gina Delaventura shows the ending of "Stolen Thunder," a story about Norse mythology to a class of third graders at Pearl Harbor Elementary School during "Read Across America" day. The second annual event was also a birthday salute to Theodor Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss, author of well-known children's books such as "The Cat in the Hat Comes Back" (above).