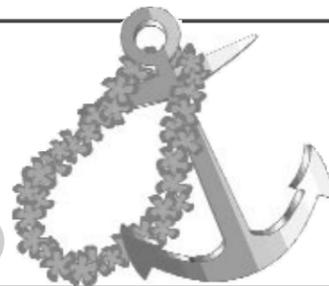


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IN BRIEF

Holiday Festival of Lights, Winterfest
Continuing a tradition started in 1995 designed to literally brighten the "winter" nights of Navy commands and families throughout Hawaii, Sailors and their families are invited to take part in the Holiday Festival of Lights, held in conjunction with the Child Development center's Winterfest.

The event will begin at 6 p.m. on Dec. 15 at the Club Pearl Ewa lanai on Naval Station, with entertainment, the actual lighting ceremony and a visit from Santa.

The ceremony will conclude at 6:45 p.m. and Santa will invite guests to follow him to Winterfest, which will be held at the Teahouse.

There will be a bounce house, crafts, games, lots of entertainment and children will have the opportunity to visit Santa. In addition, special harbor tours will be conducted after the lighting ceremony.

Afloat and ashore commands should be prepared to switch on their holiday lighting on cue from the signal tower on Dec. 15.

All military and DoD personnel and their families are invited to attend the kickoff and enjoy the sights and sounds of the holiday season.

Preparations for the Great Aloha Run underway

Applications for the 'Sounds of Freedom' teams of ten or more - the unique segment of the race that invites military commands to run in formation - are available at Bloch Arena and other fitness centers.

Hawaii's biggest charity run/walk invites individuals and groups to participate.

The eight-mile course starts at the Aloha Tower on Nimitz highway and ends at the Aloha Stadium.

The race is scheduled for President's Day, Feb. 21. Navy Volunteers are needed to assist in the judging process and as monitors.

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Pearl Harbor commemorates 58th anniversary of Japanese attack



J02 Greg Cleghorne photo

Woodrow Derby, Pearl Harbor attack survivor and former USS Nevada crewmember reflects for a moment in front of one of more than 40 wreaths presented at the 58th commemoration of the attack on Pearl Harbor held at the Arizona Memorial Tuesday. "We lost 50 Sailors and nine Marines," Hall said slowly and paused. "I lost several friends that day. It was a desperate time."

By J02 Greg Cleghorne
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IN the years leading up to the Second World War, the United States and Japan's relationship deteriorated due in part to Japan's military expansion and capture of Peking in 1937.

Concerned about Japan's continued aggression, the U.S. moved its Pacific Fleet to Hawaii in the spring of 1940. Later that year, U.S. and European governments restricted the export of materials used for war to Japan and froze all Japanese assets. Undeterred by these international efforts to curb them, Japan chose war with the United States to protect its many territorial gains.

On Nov. 25, 1941, as diplomatic negotiations with the U.S. were failing, a Japanese fleet of 32 warships, including six aircraft carriers and

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New evidence shows Japanese midget subs attacked battleship row

By J02 Greg Cleghorne
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New information, uncovered by an investigation initiated by Daniel Martinez, National Park Service historian at the USS Arizona Memorial Visitor's Center, shows proof of Japanese midget submarines not only being inside Pearl Harbor during the Dec. 7, 1941 attack, but that at least one launched deadly torpedo attacks on ships berthed at 'Battleship Row.'

It's accepted as common knowledge

that the entire attack on Pearl Harbor was an air assault.

But forty-five minutes after Japan launched its initial strike force of 183 carrier-based aircraft, an unidentified submarine was attacked and sunk by the destroyer Ward in Pearl Harbor's defensive sea area near the harbor's entrance. USS Monahan rammed another in West Loch.

Most stories and accounts of the attack indicate that no enemy subs made it into the harbor because of anti-sub nets, a light indicator net - designed to signal a warning if a sub passed through it - and a security perimeter established at the harbor's

mouth. More than 2,400 servicemen and civilians lost their lives in the attack.

Gathered to exchange information about this new finding, a Surface Navy Association Conference, attended by a few hundred surface warriors, was held last Thursday at the Banyans. The dining hall was abuzz with the new information.

"There were three midget submarines inside Pearl Harbor Martinez said. "The proof is in a picture that shows a Japanese midget sub in the harbor firing torpedoes toward USS West Virginia and USS Oklahoma."

The Japanese midget sub's mission was daring - enter the harbor, wait for the air attack to begin, surface and begin firing.

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USS Charlotte departs for WESTPAC deployment



J03 McClain Shewman photo

USS Charlotte and her crew of 135 Sailors left Pearl Harbor recently for a six month deployment to the western Pacific. This fast-attack submarine is one of the newer boats in the Pacific Submarine Force.

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USS Charlotte (SSN 766) recently left for a Western Pacific Deployment. Charlotte is commanded by Cmdr. Reid Tanaka and carries a crew of 135 men.

Named after the North Carolina city,

Charlotte serves its country as an improved Los-Angeles class submarine.

One of the newer boats in the Pacific Submarine Force, Charlotte's significant improvements include vertical launch cruise missile capability and retractable bow planes and a hardened sail, providing the boat the capability to surface through the ice.

Pacific Fleet ONE on ONE

Maureen U. Kleintop, Director of Civilian Personnel Programs for the Pacific Fleet

By J02 Sean A. Huges
PACFLT PUBLIC AFFAIRS



This is part of a series of interviews with the leadership of the U.S. Pacific Fleet and the Navy. Maureen Kleintop entered the Federal Government in 1970, and is the Fleet Human Resources Manager and Policy Director, and Program Manager, for 30,000 civilians assigned to over 110 commands and shore activities throughout the Pacific Fleet.

What does your office do?

We are responsible for all civilian personnel matters throughout the fleet. We are the principal advisor to the CINC (Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet) and the DCINC (Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet) on all matters affecting civilian human resources throughout the Pacific area of responsibility. I am the Program Manager for 30,000 civilians that work for CINCPACFLT. This includes appropriated fund, non-appropriated, as well as U.S. and foreign national personnel.

How do you highlight civilian accomplishments?

I recently briefed the WOW! Awards to the Executive Steering Committee. In the last year we reengineered our process and are currently deploying our WOW! Awards. WOW! is a year-round incentive awards program, as opposed to the annual performance awards. The motivation and di-

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