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BY MC3 DEVIN ALEXONDRA LOWE

Forty-eight Sailors assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69), Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 10, Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 3 and Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 26 were advanced to chief petty officer aboard Ike, Sept. 13.

The chief pinning ceremony is a time-honored tradition celebrating the history and new responsibilities of chief petty officers as they enter the Mess. This year, all of CSG 10's newest chiefs were pinned while at sea for Tailored Ship's Training Availability and Final Evaluation Problem (TSTA/FEP).

"We are not here today to witness just an advancement of 48 first class petty officers to the next paygrade," said Senior Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Equipment) Casey Morrison, master of ceremonies for the chief pinning ceremony. "We are also here to share one of the most significant transitions that they will ever experience in their naval career."

While the chiefs were unable to invite their families while at sea, they were asked to reflect on the sacrifices they had made. In their place, the chiefs were pinned by the Sailors who helped them earn their anchors.

"The journey from first class to chief is tough," said Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Equipment) Brian Irvine, one of Ike's newest chiefs.

For many chiefs, the transition from first class petty officers means more responsibility to their junior Sailors and increased demands within their department.

"Every day a chief petty officer must earn his or her anchors by experience, performance and testing, never forgetting – not even for a second – the incredible privilege it is to wear the cloth of our nation and serve our Navy," said Morrison. "Chiefs humbly face and conquer adversity by living firmly by the high ideals forged in the creed, a compass guiding all chiefs to true north."

The advancement to chief is not the end of the road for Ike's newest chiefs, as they adjust to their new responsibilities they must continue to learn and grow as leaders to earn the star above their gold-fouled anchor.

"The next step is to live up to the title of 'chief,'" said Irvine. "I want to make sure the junior Sailors get what they need as well as junior officers. They rely heavily on the experience of chiefs. You don't ever stop. You can't ever stop trying to be better."

Chief petty officers follow the CPO creed, which outlines the expectations and responsibilities of chief petty officers throughout the Navy.

According to the CPO creed, "It is required that you be the fountain of wisdom, the ambassador of good will, the authority in personal relations as well as in technical applications. 'Ask the Chief' is a household phrase in and out of the Navy.

"You are the chief. The exalted position you have achieved, and the word 'exalted' is used advisedly, exists because of the performance of the chiefs before you. It shall exist only as long as you and your fellow chiefs maintain these standards."



“...IT WAS SIXTEEN YEARS OF WORK ALONGSIDE A LOT OF DIFFERENT SAILORS. MAKING CHIEF MEANS CLOSING THAT PART OF MY LIFE AND REALIZING THAT I WAS NOT ALONE... **IT'S MY TIME TO FOCUS ON GIVING BACK.**”

- ABEC BRIAN IRVINE



CHIEF PINNING

— 2019 —





BE **WATER** CONSCIOUS: JUST SAY

The aircraft carrier USS Dwight D Eisenhower (CVN 69) uses approximately **240,000** gallons of potable water per day for shipboard use, without factoring in flight operations.

Each Sailor is allotted approximately **30** gallons per day; however, according to recent water logs the ship is using over the allotted amount.

According to the ship's design, nuclear plants are required to maintain at least 80 percent potable water inventory for reactor fill, which is a system that provides safety to the ship. Reactor propulsion (RP) division can produce 400,000 gallons of water per day, but that water is divided between daily use and for the reactor and steam plants.

"Sailors don't understand what it takes to produce fresh water underway," said Chief Machinist's Mate (Nuclear) Tyler Summers.

Water usage per hour on board is currently higher than the amount of water being produced.



NO TO HOLLYWOOD SHOWERS

STORY BY MGSN NEADRIA HAZEL

"It can be difficult to maintain potable water inventory for Reactor Fill within the requirements with the overuse on the ship," said Machinist's Mate (Nuclear) 2nd Class Rachel Howard. "RP division works 24-hours a day between four distilling units and two plants to support reactor, steam plants and potable water for the ship."

Potable water is essential to maintaining life while at sea. For personal use alone, potable water is used for consumption, hygiene, cooking and cleaning. When water is continuously wasted, the Reactor Officer (RO) could recommend to the Executive Officer (XO) that he implements water hours. This can result in gyms and physical fitness activities being secured to minimize showers. If the problem persists, showers can be completely **secured** if absolutely necessary.

To maintain operational readiness water cannot be wasted. When asked, "What can Sailors aboard mighty Ike do to preserve potable water?", Commander Robert Young, the Assistant RO, provided the following conservation tips to help prevent having to place the ship on water hours.

- Take standard Navy showers, just like the ones taught in boot camp
- Secure faucets while brushing your teeth, washing your face, and while showering
- Use nozzles to control the amount of water used to wash aircraft
- Report any leaking showers, faucets and scuttlebutts to your DCPOs



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GETTING THE BAND BACK TOGETHER: TEAM BATTLE AXE ABOARD THE MIGHTY IKE

BY MC3 DEVIN ALEXONDRA LOWE



A C-2A Greyhound, assigned to the “Rawhides” of Fleet Logistics Support Squadron (VRC) 40, lands on the flight deck. Photo by MC3 Tatyana Freeman

Squadrons assigned to Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 3 flew aboard the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) Sept. 9, for carrier qualifications as part of Tailored Ship’s Training Availability/Final Evaluation Problem (TSTA/FEP).

“Team Battle Axe is thrilled to be aboard the Mighty Ike once again and join the best crew in the fleet,” said Capt. Trevor Estes, commander of CVW 3. “The training our aviators and air crew will accomplish during carrier qualifications will ensure we are all ready to meet the nation’s call at a moment’s notice as the ship becomes ready to fight. With grit and determination, CVW 3 will continue to improve on its successes and do our part to make Ike greater each day.”

CVW 3 squadrons from around the United States have joined Ike’s crew for the assessment, which will evaluate Ike and the embarked air wing as an integrated team and on their proficiency in a wide range of mission critical areas while maintaining the ability to survive complex casualty control scenarios.

“It’s a great opportunity for us to train at the air wing level and ultimately at the strike group level,” said Lieutenant Matt Huffman, a naval aviator attached to VFA 131. “It’s our first real combined exercise as part of the work-up cycle. We’ve done a lot of work at the squadron level and the unit level. This is the first time that we are going to be integrated together.”

The aircraft and crew of CVW 3 is comprised of HSC 7, the “Swamp Foxes” of Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron (HSM) 74, the “Zappers” of Electronic Attack Squadron (VAQ) 130, the “Screwtops” of Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron (VAW) 123, the “Fighting Swordsmen”

of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 32, the “Gunslingers” of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 105, the “Rampagers” of Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 83 and Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 131.

“We’re coming aboard Ike to help out with flight operations and conduct carrier qualifications,” said Lt. Ashley Strong, a naval aviator attached to the “Dusty Dogs” of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 7. “We’ll be standing plane guard, we’ll be the primary search and rescue asset for the boat, then we’re here for cargo and medical evacuations, anything that’s needed. It’s good to get everyone together and ready for deployment.”

TSTA/FEP, the final step of the basic phase of the Optimized Fleet Response Plan, is a unit-level training designed to prepare the ship, its crew and embarked air wing for full integration into a carrier strike group by measuring proficiency in a wide-range of mission-critical operation areas. For TSTA/FEP, Commander, Naval Air Forces Atlantic and Afloat Training Group (ATG) Atlantic sends a specialized group of Sailors to assess training teams on their ability to train the crew on a variety of drills, including medical emergencies, general quarters responses, and other evolutions to evaluate the performance of Ike and air wing Sailors.

The squadrons and staff of CVW 3 are part of Carrier Strike Group (CSG) 10, also known as the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower CSG, which includes Ike, the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruisers USS Monterey (CG 61), USS San Jacinto (CG 56), and USS Vella Gulf (CG 72); and the ships and staff of Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 26.

★★★ IKE'S MOVIE PLAYLIST ★★★

September 14

CHANNEL 5		CHANNEL 6		CHANNEL 7	
9:00	GONE WITH THE WIND	9:00	IN HARM'S WAY	9:00	THE SHALLOWS
12:43	INVICTUS	11:50	GREEN BOOK	10:27	TOY STORY
14:59	GLORY	14:02	ASSASSIN'S CREED	11:48	DEFIANCE
17:03	HOW TO BE SINGLE	16:24	INSIDIOUS	14:05	MINIONS
18:55	INCARNATE	18:09	HOW TO BE A LATIN LOVER	15:36	MR. BROOKS
20:28	THE LONGEST DAY	20:07	THE DIRTY DOZEN	17:36	WISH UPON
23:28	BORNE LEGACY	22:39	BRIDGE OF SPIES	19:06	WONDER PARK
				20:31	INDIANA JONES AND THE LAST CRUSADE
				22:38	NIGHT SCHOOL

September 15

CHANNEL 5		CHANNEL 6		CHANNEL 7	
1:45	DEN OF THIEVES	1:03	HOTEL MUMBAI	0:31	RV
4:08	PAN	3:08	PASSENGERS	2:12	THE EMOJI MOVIE
6:01	RINGS	5:06	OCEAN'S 8	3:40	GOOD WILL HUNTING
7:46	THE THIN RED LINE	6:58	PULP FICTION	5:48	ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS: THE ROAD CHIP
10:38	PACIFIC RIM	9:34	MIDWAY	7:22	BOOKSMART
12:51	ALADDIN (2019)	11:48	SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT	9:06	THE HOBBIT: AN UNEXPECTED JOURNEY
15:01	BEERFEST	13:26	SPIDER-MAN: HOMECOMING	11:57	THREE BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE EBBING, MISSOURI
16:55	BRAVE	15:42	STEVE JOBS	13:54	TOMMY BOY
18:30	THE PREDATOR	17:46	LETHAL WEAPON	15:33	TRAINWRECK
20:05	THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN	19:37	MIKE AND DAVE NEED WEDDING DATES	17:39	TULLY
21:59	ZOOTOPIA	21:17	OCEAN'S TWELVE	19:16	US
23:49	UNCLE DREW	23:24	X-MEN	21:14	HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON
				22:54	ICE AGE

September 16

1:32	ISLE OF DOGS	1:10	NATIONAL LAMPOON'S VAN WILDER	0:17	GONE IN SIXTY SECONDS
3:15	KEANU	2:46	MOUNLIN ROUGE	2:17	HAMBURGER HILL
4:57	IT	4:55	PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: AT WORLD'S END	4:09	JOE DIRT
7:14	KRAMPUS	7:39	RADERS OF THE LOST ARC	5:42	PLATOON
8:54	HOOSIERS	9:37	RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET	7:44	RED TAILS
10:50	MILE 22	11:31	NEIGHBORS 2: SORORITY RISING	9:51	RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET
12:26	MOTHER'S DAY	13:05	LETTERS FROM IWO JIMA	11:45	PETE'S DRAGON
14:26	MONSTER TRUCKS	15:28	LABYRINTH	13:30	PAIN & GAIN
16:06	MISS BALA	17:11	KUNG FU PANDA 2	15:41	RISEN
17:52	NOBODY'S FOOL	18:44	IT	17:30	SE7EN
19:44	OVERLOARD	21:01	JURASSIC PARK	19:39	SICARIO
21:36	PAIN & GAIN	23:10	IRON MAN	21:43	SHERLOCK HOLMES
23:45	OUR BRAND IS CRISIS			23:09	SIXTEEN CANDLES

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AND RECOVER
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responsible for launching
and recovering aircraft.

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SUPPLY, S-2

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- 0800 - PROTESTANT COMMUNION SERVICE - CHAPEL
- 0900 - ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS - CHAPEL
- 1030 - CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN SERVICE - CHAPEL
- 1700 - LATTER-DAY-SAINTS - CHAPEL
- 1900 - GOSPEL SERVICE - FIVE STAR CLASSROOM

SATURDAY (UNDERWAY)

- 1800 - JEWISH SABBATH - CHAPEL

WEEKDAYS (IN-PORT/UNDERWAY)

- 1100 ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS (MONDAY-FRIDAY) - CHAPEL
- 1300 - MUSLIM FRIDAY PRAYER (FRIDAY) - CHAPEL
- 1400 - OFFICER'S BIBLE FELLOWSHIP (THURSDAY) - CHAPEL
- 1900 - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (WEDNESDAY) - CHAPEL
- 1800 - PAGAN SERVICE (FRIDAY) - CHAPEL

SERVICES (WEEKLY/IN-PORT/UNDERWAY)

- 1200 - GOSPEL PRAYER (TUESDAY/THURSDAY) - CHAPEL
- 1300 - MUSLIM FRIDAY PRAYER (JUMU'AH) - CHAPEL

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

1200	FURMAN AT VIRGINIA TECH	CH.29	MARYLAND AT TEMPLE	CH.33
	PITTSBURGH AT PENN STATE	CH.27	OHIO STATE AT INDIANA	CH.35
	ARKANSAS STATE AT GEORGIA	CH.30		
1430	NEW MEXICO AT NOTRE DAME	CH.34		
1530	SOCAL AT BRIGHAM YOUNG	CH.27	NAVY AT EAST CAROLINA	CH.33
	STANFORD AT CENTRAL FLORIDA	CH.23	ALABAMA AT SOUTH CAROLINA	CH.36
1600	IOWA AT IOWA STATE	CH.31	ARIZONA STATE AT MICHIGAN STATE	CH.35
1700	KENT STATE AT AUBURN	CH.30		
1900	LAMAR AT TEXAS A&M	CH.32	FLORIDA AT KENTUCKY	CH.23
1930	CLEMSON AT SYRACUSE	CH.27	NORTHWESTERN ST. AT LOUISIANA ST.	CH.28
1930	FLORIDA ST. AT VIRGINIA	CH.29		
2000	TEXAS AT RICE	CH.33	OKLAHOMA AT UCLA	CH.35
2215	FURMAN AT VIRGINIA TECH	CH.30		

NFL FOOTBALL

1300	BUFFALO BILLS AT NEW YORK GIANTS	CH.36
	ARIZONA CARDINALS AT BALTIMORE RAVENS	CH.35
	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS AT CINCINNATI BENGALS	CH.34
	LA CHARGERS AT DETROIT LIONS	CH.33
	MINNESOTA VIKINGS AT GREEN BAY PACKERS	CH.32
	JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS AT HOUSTON TEXANS	CH.31
	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS	CH.30
	SEATTLE SEAHAWKS AT PITTSBURGH STEELERS	CH.29
	INDIANAPOLIS COLTS AT TENNESSEE TITANS	CH.28
	DALLAS COWBOYS AT WASHINGTON REDSKINS	CH.27
1605	KANSAS CITY CHIEFS AT OAKLAND RAIDERS	CH.35
1625	CHICAGO BEARS AT DENVER BRONCOS	CH.34
	NEW ORLEANS SAINTS AT LA RAMS	CH.33
2020	PHILADELPHIA EAGLES AT ATLANTA FALCONS	CH.17

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HSC-7 Operations/CAG ADP

From King George, Virginia

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Ike 3 times for various support detachments

Make E-6 first time up

Favorite Ike Movie: Doesn't like movies, CO's pick

CVN 69

ON THE COVER:

Sailors aboard the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN 69) conduct a Chief Pinning ceremony. Photo by MC1 Tony D. Curtis.

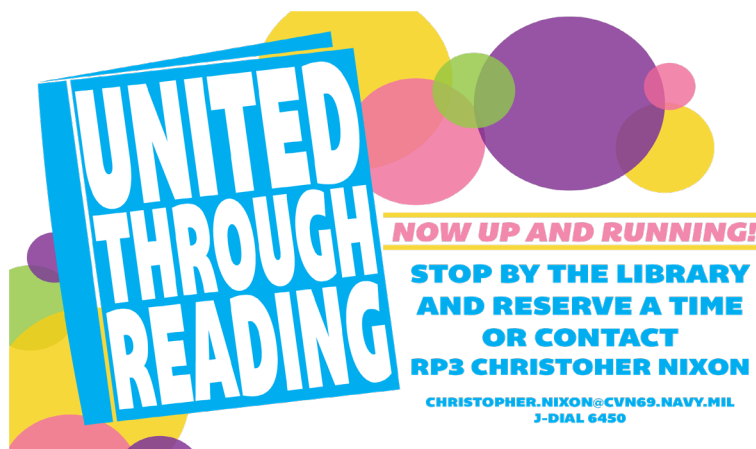
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