

FIVE STAR

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# UNITED STATES NAVY

## EST. OCTOBER 13, 1775

The U.S. Navy is on watch 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and has been for 247 years.

We are always ready to defend our shores, maintain sea control, and protect our national security and economic interests.

Since our nation's founding, the U.S. Navy has stood the watch to protect America's economic vitality, sustain the nation's influence, support our allies and partners, deter conflict, and when called upon, defended our freedom through combat.

Our Navy relies on a strong, diverse, and healthy force; ready at all times and focused on warfighting and leadership at every level.

Trained, educated, and resilient American Sailors remain our asymmetric advantage and are the true source of the U.S. Navy's strength.

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### Naval Facts

- With 323,000 active and 200,000 civilian personnel, the U.S. Navy is the world's largest workforce. Our Navy also maintains an impressive fleet, with 288 battle force ships, ten aircraft carriers, nine amphibious assault ships, 22 cruisers, 62 destroyers, 17 frigates, 72 submarines, and 3,700 aircraft.
- John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, Jimmy Carter, and George H.W. Bush served in the U.S. Navy during WWII.
- The U.S. Navy operates in nearly every significant body of water worldwide: the Pacific, Atlantic, and Indian Oceans, as well as the Mediterranean Sea, the Persian Gulf, and the Horn of Africa. Additionally, the U.S. Navy deploys ships to Europe and Japan.
- The USS Constitution is the World's oldest commissioned warship afloat and played a crucial role in the Barbary Wars and the War of 1812. She remains in active commission and is a source of pride for all Sailors, providing a tangible connection to the Navy's earliest foundations.





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Welcome to the first of a weekly column dedicated to informing the reader about the ship's systems that affect our daily lives. This column is meant to provide information and training to help prevent outages to important equipment, generally make our lives better, and IKE more mission effective.

Hold on to your keister because the first topic is a crappy one. That's right, my number one article is all about number two! Okay, okay. Enough with the potty humor, let's get down to business. Did you know that the majority of trouble calls for the CHT (Collection, Holding and Transfer) system are easily preventable? Well, they are! If Sailors only flushed human waste and single ply Navy issued toilet paper the IKE would have a lot less closed heads and a lot more relieved Sailors.

Unauthorized items that are flushed down the toilets become clogged and place the CHT pumps at risk of becoming damaged or inoperable. Something as small as a baby wipe can clog a line and shut down your head as well as all of the surrounding heads. Trust me, there's nothing worse than walking 100 frames with clenched—umm, fists—in a desperate search to find the nearest open head on Taco Tuesdays.

Preventable maintenance checks W-1 and 2W-1 in the MIP series 6641-002 are required to be conducted by the division that owns the space. These two checks are designed to ensure continuous proper operation of your toilets.

The W-1 PMS on toilets are important to the systems because the chemicals that are used to prevent calcium build up, which makes it easier to clean as well as prevents CHT leaks. The 2W-1 check ensures there is enough flushing water supplied to the toilet to flush. If the 2W-1 fails, the PMS card directs the maintenance person to conduct the U-1 check which adjusts the duration and the water volume/flow of the flushometer.

I ask all Sailors to treat their equipment like they would at their own house. Conduct the weekly maintenance as required and your toilets will work. If there is a clog attempt to fix it yourself or ask the mechanical minded Sailors in your own division or department who can fix a leak or unclog a toilet. If your efforts lead to no success, then please submit a trouble-call.

Repair division will show up to save the day.

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# ★★★★★ U.S. NAVAL

**1775**

**OCTOBER 13**

The U.S. Navy's birthdate is considered October 13, 1775, when the Continental Congress passed resolutions to purchase two armed ships and establish a naval



**1917**

**MARCH 1**

As the U.S. nears entry into the World War, the door is opened for women to serve as yeoman.

**1797**

**OCTOBER 21**

USS Constitution is launched and christened in Boston. Undeclared in battle and still in service today, she is the world's oldest commissioned warship afloat.



**1942**

**JUNE 4 - 7**

The Battle of Midway is a turning point in World War II. The decisive American victory costs Japan four aircraft carriers and its strategic advantage, allowing the Allies to go on the offensive.

**1814**

**SEPTEMBER 11**

The U.S. victory at the Battle of Lake Champlain during the War of 1812 ends the war's final British invasion.



**1944**

**OCTOBER 23**

The largest naval battle of the modern age, the Battle of Leyte Gulf, begins. It ends Japan's capacity to fight as an organized force.

**1907**

**DECEMBER 16**

The Great White Fleet departs Hampton Roads, VA, to circumnavigate the world.



**1970**

**DECEMBER 17**

CNO Adm. Elmo Zumwalt directs immediate action to combat "significant discrimination in the Navy." He ends the Z-gram saying, "There is no black Navy, no white Navy, just one Navy, the United States Navy."



# HISTORY ★★★★★



**1991**  
**JANUARY 16**

Operation Desert Storm begins.



**2001**  
**SEPTEMBER 11**

After the September 11 al-Qaeda terrorist attacks, Operation Enduring Freedom begins with Tomahawk and carrier air strikes on targets in Afghanistan.



**2011**  
**MAY 1**

Navy SEALs kill al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden in an intelligence-driven U.S. operation in Pakistan.



**2020**  
**JANUARY**

USS Dwight D. Eisenhower (CVN69) deploys for 206 days straight, shattering the previous record for an aircraft carrier deployed without port visits.

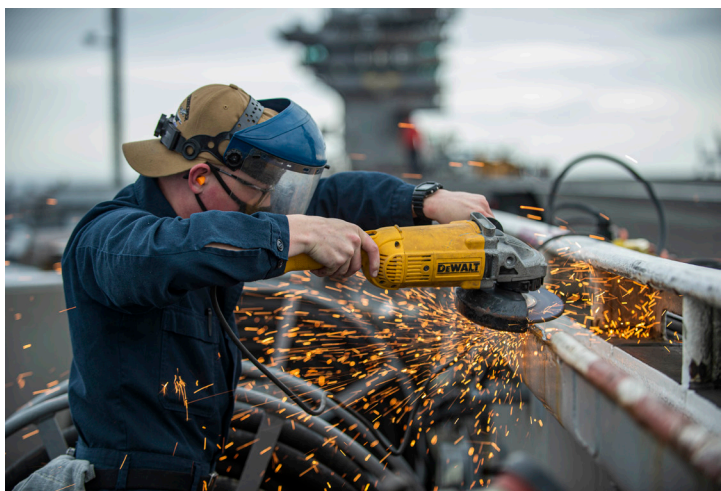






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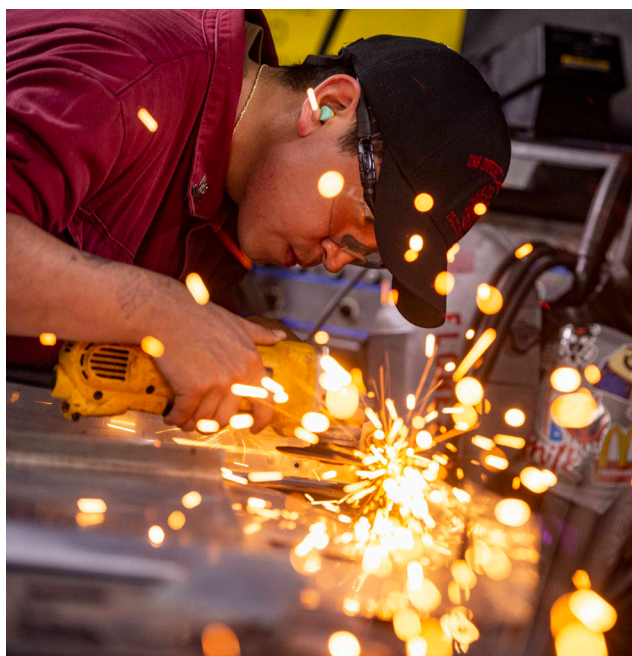
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# HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

SEP 15 - OCT 15

## NAVAL HISTORY AND HERITAGE COMMAND

As of December 2021,  
approximately 67,000 active and  
Reserve Sailors of Hispanic heritage  
serve in the U.S. Navy contributing  
to the strength of the nation's force.  
Hispanic American Military service  
dates back to the Civil War.

### Notable Hispanic Sailors: Adm. David Farragut



Remembered for his famous order at the  
battle of Mobile Bay:

**“Damn the torpedoes,  
full speed ahead.”**

Farragut's father was from Minorca, Spain.  
Farragut was born near Knoxville, Tennessee.

He was commissioned at age nine.  
At age 12, he captured the HMS Alert during  
the war of 1812.

Though living in Virginia, he regarded seces-  
sion as treason and joined the Union.

He fought for the Union and captured New  
Orleans in 1862.

He was the first rear admiral, vice admiral,  
and admiral in the United States Navy.

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