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"The color PURPLE" Jointness in ACTION

When the colors of all the U.S. armed services' uniforms are combined, the color purple appears. Military insiders refer to inter-service cooperation as "purple" since joint strategies, strengths, and capabilities bring success and solutions to the mission at hand.

Jointness can describe all stages of the military processes—from research, through procurement and into operations—and it brings efficiency to the table. Today, the concept is embraced not only in the United States but also by many militaries including the Israeli Security Forces, for example.

According to definition, "Jointness" is: "the integration of the strengths of at least two limbs of the military in a coordinated effort to achieve a common goal". It is an important factor in developing Joint Operations. It enables flexible leadership for the commander of a group, increases effective functioning, and creates an involvement between military limbs."

Jointness also creates the possibility for a new military perspective referred to as "Network-centric". This perspective is characterized by the "representation and analysis of information, and its' transfer between agents and the center of command who may be distant from one another or even members of different units in the military."

The new technology that accompanies this outlook enables the military to improve operational efficiency in a way that was not possible in the past. What began as a gradual technological advancement within individual military limbs has grown to include several branches of the armed forces.

This approach views Jointness as key for proceeding flexibly in a changing world. It stresses conceptual flexibility which is obtained through the development of new mindsets and which precedes flexibility of power and resource.

We've seen Jointness in action when it comes to relief efforts in Haiti. All services, including the Department of State, have launched Joint Task Force operations that have brought relief to earthquake victims. Toussaint L'Overture International Airport has been opened for delivery of much needed supplies, and the JLOTS option has been put to the test to open portals along the shore. JLOTS (or Joint Logistics Over-the-Shore) employs a system of combined Army / Navy assets to transfer supplies; discharge is made at sea and movable piers are utilized to ferry equipment and cargo to shore.

Members of NDTA's Surface Transportation Committee have also seen another aspect of the "Purple Paradigm" in the guise of the DTJCI

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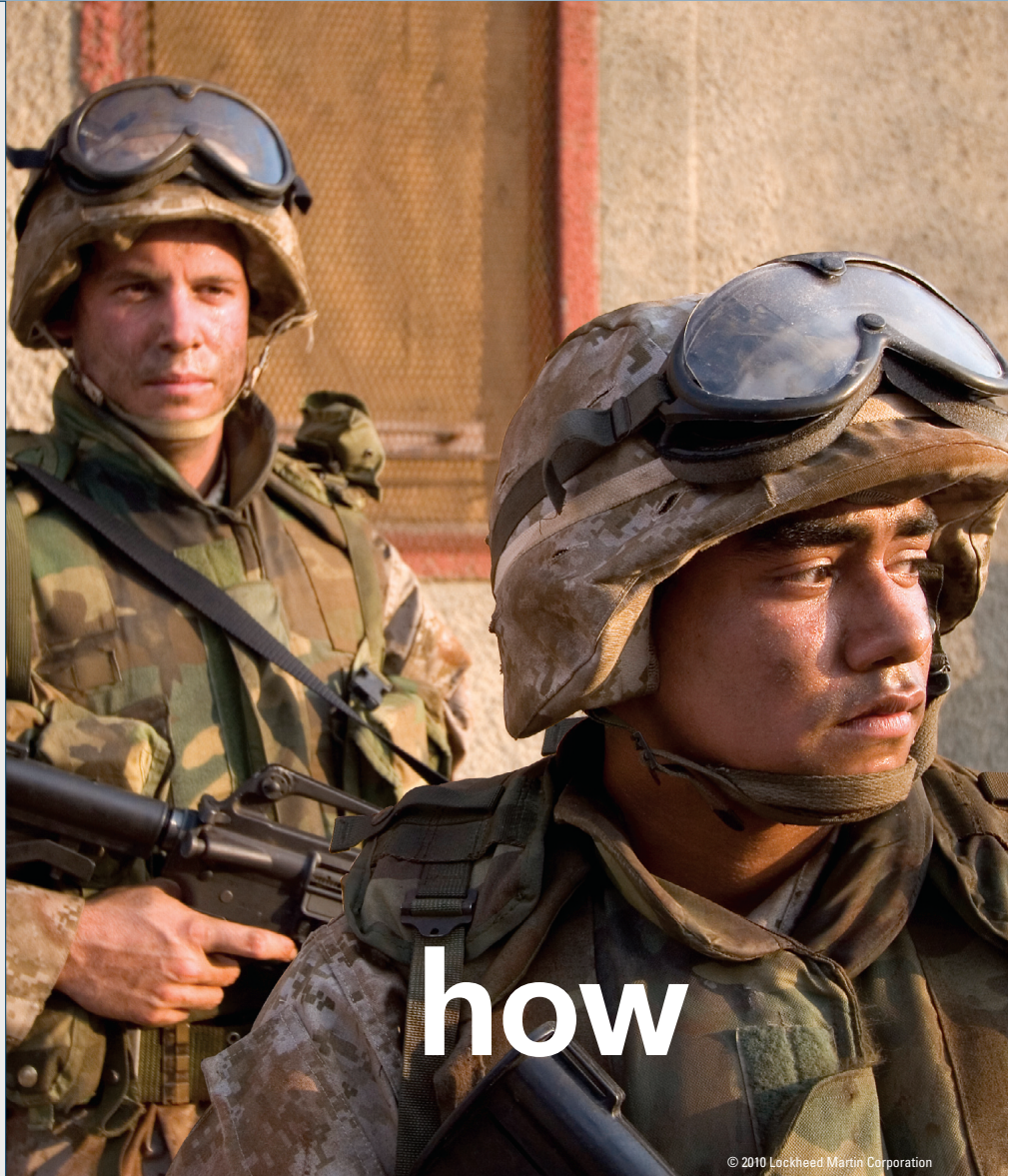
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(or, the Defense Transportation Coordination Initiative). In this instance, Jointness derives from the coupled efforts of the DOD and Industry to employ transportation management efforts (Industry) for the benefit of the Warfighter (DOD). Life cycle logistics, supply chain management and enterprise strategies come into play.

Recently, NDTA concluded a successful training symposium that was sponsored jointly by the Association and the Naval Operational Logistics Support Center (NOLSC). Breakout sessions featuring JLOTS, Joint Task Force: Port Opening and the DTCL, among other discussion topics, were on the schedule. The organizing and presenting the event itself was a demonstration of Jointness that we were very pleased to be a part of! [Editor's NOTE: a full wrap up of the training symposium will appear in the Almanac edition of the DTJ, April 2010]

Naval Mobile Construction Battalion Seven offloading equipment from vessels anchored near Port-au-Prince



JOINT readings

Jointness in the Acquisition World
Cmdr. Frank "Spanky" Morley, USN
(Reprint: Defense A AT&L: July-August 2009)

Over the past decades, our operational military forces have transformed themselves from Service-centric combat forces to a truly joint force, operating under unified commands, employed across Service boundaries with a healthy understanding of other Service force capabilities, and achieving synergies previously unattainable. Our forces understand the strengths and weaknesses of their fellow Services and know where Service-specific capabilities can complement the overall battlefield. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said of our acquisition and developmental forces. [Read ON](#)

Jointness-A Selected Bibliography
US Army War College August, 2007

This updated version lists references for readings on Jointness. It focuses on joint operations, joint logistics, interservice cooperation, interservice rivalry, joint communications, joint training, and Goldwater-Nichols. Most of the resources cited are dated from 2004 onwards. All items are available in the U.S. ArmyWar College Library; many are included as interactive links. [Read ON](#)

Afghan Ops Highlight Need
For Jointness in Close Air Support

Close air support has emerged in Afghanistan as a critical test of a country's ability to conduct cooperative joint operations between services and allies. [Read ON](#)

Going "Purple": Can Military Jointness
Principles Provide a Key to More Successful Integration at the Marketing-Manufacturing Interface?

This Case Study (published by the Harvard Business Review) integrates military-like jointness principles into an organizational framework that functions as a guide to pursuing cross-functional M-M integration more successfully. The framework also provides a methodology that managers can use to determine whether and how much "purple" ought to be pursued. For ordering, visit: <http://hbr.org/> (NOTE: search title on home page)

"PURPLE-SUITER" A [service member] assigned to duty on a staff where no particular service predominates. S/He is called "purple" because identity (and color) of the individual service is lost, and the color purple is not used by any of the services. The official colors are green for Army, blue for Air Force, and white for Navy. (from "Jointness Bibliography - US Army War College)

Port Ops / Rehabilitation in Haiti

(From SOUTHCOM; as of Feb 8, 2010) The south pier at the Port au Prince main port is open and receiving cargo. Forces there are also using "over-the-shore" assets to keep cargo moving. The port at Jacmel, southwest of Port au Prince, is currently operational during daylight for certain vessels. Haitian officials are running the ports and U.S. forces are assisting in port scheduling, vessel monitoring, loading operations and port security. Port operations in the area are receiving on average more than 300 shipping containers a day.

Military dive teams have begun the effort to assist repairs of the south pier in Port au Prince. Increasing capacity at the port will lower the strain on air operations and speed aid into Haiti.

South pier repairs are proceeding with construction of dive platforms and concrete formwork. Dive teams are ready to begin repairs once all materials are in place. USNS Grasp is helping conduct surveys and assessments to repair the port.

The vessels capable of offloading cargo without a port that are in Haiti are: the Coast Guard *Crimson Clover*, a covered, roll-on/roll-off barge with two 46-foot extendable ramps and a top-loader for discharge operations and USNS PFC *Dewayne Williams*, a roll-on/roll-off ship.

Just In ...

A TITAN Salvage team is working to remove navigational hazards, including the collapsed Washington gantry crane in Port-au-Prince for the USTRANSCOM in efforts to increase the cargo throughput. TITAN is a wholly owned Crowley subsidiary [Read ON](#)

Joint Logistics Over the Shore (JLOTS)

JLOTS is an annual exercise that increases the Army's and Navy's ability to build improvised ports for transporting equipment and supplies from ship to shore when a harbor or pier has been damaged or is nonexistent. That ability has been put to the test in Haiti where the JLOTS team passed with flying colors. Mr. Jeff Ackerson, Strategic Concept Developer, TRANSCOM Joint Concepts and Experiments Branch (TCJ5/4-TC), shared perspectives at the recent NOLSC | NDTA Symposium in Norfolk (Jan 25 - 29). NDTA Members can find Power Point slides for this presentation and others on the Members Resources page after logging in. And, the Almanac issue of the DTJ will include a Wrap Up of keynote speakers and select NOLSC sessions. So stay tuned for more on JLOTS!



Give Wisely - Use Caution When Donating to Relief Efforts

In response to the devastation caused by the January 12th earthquake in Haiti, there has been an outpouring of goodwill and a desire to help victims. But not all urgent appeals for aid that are being broadcast on radio and television, online and at social networking sites are legitimate.

Guide Star outlines some helpful tips to guide wise giving starting with.....

- Be pro-active, not re-active
- Determine the kind of relief you wish to support
- Do a little research first
- Ask questions:

Does the charity have relief work experience?

How does the charity describe its programs?

Does the charity use concrete measurements to evaluate accomplishments?

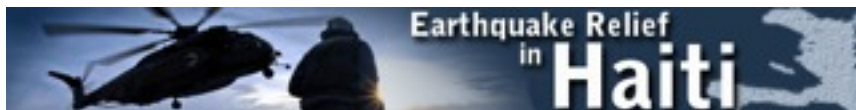
Read all tips [HERE](#)

To get access a list of Haiti-related charities that meet the Better Business Bureau's standards, make a visit to: www.bbb.org/charity

AND, download the BBB's "Wising Giving" - Help for Disaster Relief [HERE](#) An excellent resource!

JOINT TASK FORCE -HAITI (JTF-Haiti) was established by [U.S. Southern Command](#) (USSOUTHCOM) to oversee relief efforts under the command of [General Ken Keen, USA](#). It is a dynamic operation - one in which many of our Associates and Members are actively involved. However, all NDTA members extend well wishes for the Haitian people and those who support JTF-Haiti. This NDTAGram offers a snapshot view - one that is only as current as the date of the publication. To stay in step with JTF-Haiti and to provide information, please visit links listed here that are updated moment-to-moment.

Check USSOUTHCOM's [Earthquake Relief in Haiti](#) for real time news, including a force tracker. See also Unit FaceBook pages (see below) for viewpoints from individual commands.



More than 120 aircraft are supporting operations to provide relief and care to more than three million Haitians who were affected by the Jan. 12 earthquake

The mission is designated **U.S. OPERATION UNIFIED RESPONSE**

Current U.S. military efforts are focused on expanding and securing the distribution network to speed delivery of aid to the Haitian people. U.S. forces are also assisting the World Food Program's food distribution surge currently underway in Haiti ([see more](#)).

U.S. forces continue working with the U.N. Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH), the international community and local responders to alleviate human suffering and support humanitarian relief efforts. (For more on the entire U.S. response, please visit the [USAID website](#))

NDTA Associates in Haiti

[SDDC](#) deployed a team to Haiti to prepare for follow-on forces that will deliver and distribute humanitarian supplies. They arrived Jan. 14 as part of a USTRANSCOM team to identify which of SDDC's and USTRANSCOM's transportation and logistics capabilities will best support relief efforts in the wake of a damaged seaport and an overwhelmed airport. [Read ON](#)

Shortly after the devastating earthquake, [NAVSUP](#) rapidly mobilized to bring vital supplies to thousands of Haitians in need. [Read ON](#)

[AMC](#) Airmen critical to Operation Unified Response assisting Haiti victims. [Read ON](#)

JTF-Haiti Unit FaceBooks

[USNS Comfort Facebook](#)

[JTF-Haiti Facebook](#)

[USCG - 7th District](#)

[82nd Airborne](#)

[2nd Brigade Combat Team](#)

[MSC](#)'s USNS Comfort departed Baltimore Jan. 16 to provide humanitarian aid to Haiti. In the short time Comfort has been on station, sailors and civilians aboard the ship have provided much needed medical care as part of a multinational effort. [Read ON](#)



We regret we are not able to include news from all NDTA military associates

Snapshots from JTF-Haiti - distribution by hand and heavy lift

(Captions on photos counter clockwise from top)



Petty Officer 2nd Class Bradley Gnage directs an MH-60S Sea Hawk, assigned to the Fleet Angels of Helicopter Sea Combat Support Squadron 2, away from the flight deck of the amphibious dock landing ship USS Gunston Hall during a vertical replenishment with MSC dry cargo and ammunition ship USNS Lewis and Clark. Gunston Hall was diverted from a scheduled deployment to West Africa to help Operation Unified Response. *(Photo: Petty Officer 2nd Class John Stratton, USN)*



A landing craft air cushion (LCAC) assigned to Assault Craft Unit 4 exits the well deck of the multi-purpose amphibious assault ship USS Bataan (LHD 5) while transporting equipment and personnel off the coast of Haiti. Bataan is participating in Operation Unified Response to provide military support capabilities. *(Photo: Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Kristopher Wilson, USN)*



Chief Warrant Officer Jason Taggart, from Wallsville, OH provides first aid to a Haitian woman at a distribution point. Fort McHenry is participating in Operation Unified Response as part of the Bataan Amphibious Relief Mission. *(Photo: Petty Officer 1st Class Rachael L. Leslie, USN)*



Seabees from Amphibious Construction Battalion (ACB) 2 off-load heavy equipment from a landing craft unit on the shore of Bonel. *(Photo: Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Monique Hilley)*

JTF Haiti Commander visits Killick, praises progress



On Jan. 25, the commander of Joint Task Force (JTF) Haiti visited the medical triage and treatment center in Killick, Haiti to observe the teamwork of Sailors, Coast Guardsmen and Haitian volunteers providing care to victims.

"This is a great example of people getting together," said Keen. "It takes time to get started...but as you go along, as you get more organized, you find we are saving more and more lives every day."

Army Lt. Gen. Ken Keen, who also serves as the deputy commander of U.S. Southern Command, toured facilities at the Killick Haitian Coast Guard Base and was amazed at the diversity of people from different backgrounds and experiences and the success they had in conducting operations there.

The base has been used as a medical treatment center since shortly after the devastating earthquake in Haiti Jan. 12. The 7.0-magnitude quake killed up to 150,000 people by official estimates. The clinic has become a major part of Operation Unified Response, a coordinated effort to provide aid to the people of Haiti.

[Read ON](#)

COMMUNICATION *key to jointness & learning*

milBook Through a new professional networking tool, the Army's technology community can now share ideas in discussion groups set behind its firewalled network. Known as milBook, it's opening up safer avenues of communications among personnel.

"The milSuite application allows the professional 'DOD' community to share information amongst themselves that is only intended for the internal community," said Justin Filler, deputy director of the MilTech Solutions Office, an Army organization.

MilBook, which has reached 18,000 users since its inception in October 2009, is part of a suite of tools known as milSuite that also includes a blog and wiki.

Previously, the department lacked a medium for employees to share official and sometimes sensitive information. [Read ON](#)



Daniel Penuelaz, with Seabees Naval Mobile Construction Battalion in Afghanistan. Photo by Chief Mass Communication Specialist James Pinsky USN



milBook is the Army version of Facebook. Security is high (milBook message traffic will not appear in google searches) giving personnel a safer way of contacting each other.

Army R&D, PEO have partnered to train deploying Soldiers on new technology known as Global Rapid Response Information Package (GRRIP). It is a fully deployable communications center built over a secure satellite network. It is a small, mobile and relatively lightweight Secret Internet Protocol Router Network case capable of providing SIPRNET access for video conferencing, data and voice over satellite using the Broadband Global Area Network as well as through other network connections. [Read ON](#)

Puerto Rico National Guard uses chat room as communications tool for Haiti. [Read ON](#)

CASCOM DEVELOPING MOBILE EDUCATION APPLICATIONS

The Sustainment Center of Excellence (SCoE) another name for the **Combined Arms Support Command** (CASCOM) at Fort Lee, VA, is developing mobile education tools for Army portable devices on the Army's secure online environment. The Lifelong Learning Branch of the Army Combined Arms Support Command Training Directorate's Distance Learning Support and Integration Division, which specializes in Internet and distance learning development, has a new project team focused on developing mobile sustainment education software. The project includes the first suite of military iPhone applications for Fort Lee.

The applications suite offered through SCoE will give students easy access to course materials, locations and descriptions of classes, up-to-date military news articles, podcasts, and Army reference materials, such as ebook-based technical manuals, field manuals, and Department of the Army pamphlets.

The SCoE suite will have a mapping application that will, using a phone's global positioning system (GPS), provide driving and walking directions to buildings, floors, and rooms across Fort Lee. This tool can also link to a student's course schedule, providing access to course information and walking directions to the location of that course.

"Podcaster" will give students access to video-based courseware, statements from commanding generals, and "lessons learned" leadership interviews. The suite also will have a link to **Army Sustainment**, where students can access the latest articles and eventually provide live feedback to article content.

Although all mobile device application creation is currently being done through an Apple vehicle, applications will eventually be available for all mobile devices (like eBook readers), and gaming systems. By covering as many platforms as possible, the Lifelong Learning Branch can immediately meet the educational needs of the Soldiers. The first set of applications is slated for March 2010.



RECYCLING help for Haiti.....shipping containers

The thought of using shipping containers as housing in disaster torn areas certainly isn't new, but up until now it was only a concept. Now, a group of researchers from Clemson University, called **SEED**, could make the idea into a reality. The team had been working since Hurricane Katrina to develop a plan to roll out shipping containers and transform them into housing specifically for the Caribbean region in the event of a hurricane when they received word about the disaster in Haiti. Now the group is working double time to try and get their plan launched to help the victims of the earthquake.

Resources to solve the housing crisis in Haiti may already be on hand. Some Clemson University researchers have been experimenting with ways to convert shipping containers into emergency housing in the hurricane-prone Caribbean, where a surplus of the sturdy boxes often sits in port yards.

Pernille Christensen, a research associate in the Richard H. Pennell Center for Real Estate and Ph.D. student in planning, design and the built environment; associate professor Doug Hecker; and assistant professor Martha Skinner of Clemson's School of Architecture, collaborated on the SEED Project, working to develop a method to convert the shipping containers into homes.

The original idea was inspired by housing crises that have followed large hurricanes in the Caribbean and United States. However, Hecker said shipping containers would meet those needs in an earthquake zone, too.

"Because of the shipping container's 'unibody' construction they are also very good in seismic zones and exceed structural code in the United States and any country in the world," Hecker said. "They have also been used in other countries as emergency shelters in the case of earthquakes. As the SEED Project develops this will certainly be an area that we incorporate. With a few simple cuts at the port, a storage container can be turned into something that is livable and opens to the site."



.....cell phones

There are an estimated 130 million phones retired in the United States every year. If even a small percentage of them are donated to Phones for Haiti, it would contribute millions of dollars towards relief from the devastating earthquake. ReCellular will give 100% of the phone value as a contribution to the American Red Cross. In addition, qualifying phones will be refurbished and supplied to aid groups working in Haiti. All phones are accepted, though newer phones will provide the most value to the charity — in some cases \$100 or more.

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Just In...

Feb 18 - DC Chapter Luncheon
COL Kachinski - TRANSCOM
Operations Division with an
update on Haiti Ops [RSVP](#)

Save-the-Date

SDDC Symposium
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Event Details [HERE](#)



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available soon....**

- *The Brain Drain: a looming epidemic*
Chuck Bolduc & Bob Reilly
- *Overcoming Distribution Challenges in the Republic of Korea*
COL Bruce Ferri, Jer. & Luis Diaz
- *RFID in Defense - Wrap UP*
- *The Crucial Need for Maritime Research & Innovation*
VADM Albert Herberger, USN (Ret.)



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what's happening in ARIZONA**NDTA Surface Committee Meeting
& Valley of the Sun Chapter Breakfast**

The NDTA Surface Transportation Committee is having their Semi-annual committee meeting in Phoenix on Feb 17th 2010 and the NDTA Arizona Chapter has been invited to join the effort. The NDTA Surface Committee & NDTA Valley of the Sun Chapter breakfast will be held on 2/17 at the Marriott Renaissance Glendale at the Westgate. This is a great opportunity to get together with committee members before their meeting and hear both General Wykle and Commander, SDDC General Hodge speak about current transportation issues. As you know, Phoenix is also the site of the 2011 NDTA Annual Forum. Come hear these two very knowledgeable speakers and enjoy what should be an excellent breakfast. We should be done and on our way by approx 9:00 am.

Proposed Timeline
7:00 am - Welcome, register, nametags
7:30 am - Breakfast served
8:00 am - General Wykle, General Hodge
9:00 am - Breakfast over, short break
9:15 am - Committee reconvene

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Charleston Chapter

Martin Chamberlain, COO for Global Aeronautica, was guest speaker at a recent chapter luncheon. Chamberlain focused on the capabilities and characteristics of the new Boeing 787 just days before its inaugural test flight. He explained how the aircraft is equipped with state-of-the-art technology, with component parts made around the world. The Boeing 787 family consists of 3 versions - the 787-3, 787-8, & 787-9 - and has cargo doors below the passenger deck which can accommodate bulk or palletized cargo. Some of the improved passenger comforts are larger windows and personal airflow controls. Environmentally, the aircraft is built for quieter take-offs/landings and has a much smaller noise 'foot print'. Chamberlain described the aircraft as a 'game changer' and stated that sales look good. Over the next few years, approximately 130 aircraft will be purchased. As such, the North Charleston facility is being built and staffed to house the aircraft's new assembly area. Not only will the aircraft be a game changer to the flying world, the local economy stands to gain great benefits.

Washington DC Chapter

Thanks to the support from board and chapter membership, the DC Chapter was able to secure donations for over 400 wreaths at Alexandria National Cemetery. While slightly less than last year, it is a significant increase from the years before our Chapter got involved and impressive given the broad economic challenges of 2009. We also had strong support with more than 50 volunteers from the Chapter or "friends" of the chapter. Once again, it was a special tribute to the men and women who sacrificed so much for our Country. Thanks to everyone who supported the event this year. If anyone has any ideas for other community service/outreach efforts, please pass them along Steven Cubarney, Chapter President.

NDTA Headquarters Calendar**Feb 17**

- ▶ **Surface Transportation Committee Mtg.**
Scottsdale, AZ

March 4

- ▶ **NDTA Board of Directors Meeting**
Washington, DC

March 8 ~ 11

- ▶ **SDDC Symposium | NDTA Expo**
Atlanta, GA

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**WWII sightings from our Aloha Chapter....
the Big Island Bomber**

from [Hawaii Aviation Preservation Society](#)



This B-18 "Bolo" Bomber, serial number 36-446, crashed February 25, 1941 with six crew members aboard. They were flying as part of a 4 aircraft group on a routine instrument night training flight assigned to the 50th Reconnaissance Squadron, 18th Bombardment Wing from Hickam Field. The aircraft were at different altitudes and vectors to avoid a mid-air collision, but maintained radio contact. Aircraft serial number 36-446 was flying at approximately 10,000 feet in the vicinity of Hilo when a bearing failure caused the loss of the port engine. The pilot, Captain Boyd Hubbard (later Brigadier General; 1912-1982) then attempted to reach Suiter Field on the northwest tip of the island. All possible fuel and cargo was jettisoned, but the aircraft was too heavy to maintain altitude on one engine. As the aircraft descended, the other engine began sputtering. The crew believed they were over the ocean at the time in heavy fog during the dark night. The pilot made a last split-second correction prior to the crash. [Read ON](#) (*maps | vintage photos | aircraft details*)



A scuba diver made the dive of his life when he found what appears to be the previously undocumented wreck of a World War II-era dive bomber off South Maui.

Maui Miracle - WWII Discovery

The aircraft appears to be a nearly intact Douglas SBD-5 Dauntless. Both canopies were open, with the plane's gauges clearly visible on the console, and the back flaps down. The only part missing was the plane's top tail rudder, which Brad Varney, the diver, found resting on the sand not far from the wreck. Varney wants to ensure the site is protected and not stripped by looters. [Read ON](#)

Pacific Surface Movement Conference (PSMC)

Hosted by the SDDC's 599th TB at the Waikiki Marriott
Surface Transporters, Customers & Carriers
April 27 - 29, 2010 Details [HERE](#)
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**Of interest to NDTA Sealift Committee....
The U.S. Maritime Coalition "Sail-In"**

The [Sail - In](#) represents the American maritime industry's plan to bring together a diverse group of maritime professionals in an organized fashion to lobby Congress. The purpose is to increase Congressional awareness of the importance of America's maritime industry to the economic and national security of the US, and to generate support for the programs and policies important to the survival and growth of the United States-flag merchant marine and to the jobs of American merchant mariners and America's maritime workforce.

"The maritime industry is the backbone of the American and global economy," said VADM Albert J. Herberger, USN (Ret.), former Administrator for the U.S. Maritime Administration, and former Deputy Commander-in-Chief for the U.S. Transportation Command. "We represent thousands of jobs, billions of dollars in investment and we are the critical connection to the global economy. We can't take it for granted that government understands the complex nature of the American maritime industry and the necessity of the U.S.-flagged merchant fleet."

The Sail-In is designed to mimic the idea of a fly-in, a tactic that many companies use to rally support. Hundreds of hard-working individuals from across the American maritime industry have been invited to Washington to participate. Individuals will be separated into teams and will see as many Members of Congress as possible in as many Congressional offices as possible throughout the day. The meetings will entail informing Congressional leaders of the American Maritime industry's importance to the economic and national security of the United States as well as the thousands of jobs created and maintained as a result of the industry. Visit [Sail - In](#) for information and to register (at no cost) for the event.

NDTA European Region Workshop
June 2, 2010 [Hotel Van der Valk](#)
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Panel Discussions

- Panel I: Lisbon Treaty; Impact on military business
- Panel II: Challenges for Air Transportation
- Panel III: Challenges for Sea Transportation
- Panel IV: Challenges for Land Transportation (road/rail)

Goals:

- Identify new challenges for carriers and ports when moving military property to, from, or within Europe
- Identify possible solutions

Discussions are based on the European trade and security rules; the Modernized European Customs Codex; the War Weapon Control Act(s); the Lisbon Treaty—an improvement; The NATO Treaty—Status of Forces a privilege or a limiting factor; 27 European Community (EC) member states—29 non-EC states; and Technology Challenges. Contacts: [Kurt Lengert](#) or [Lou Wourtersen](#)

ASSOCIATION NEWS



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Members and Associates are welcome to send announcements, photos and press releases at any time. We will post your news in the [GRAM](#), [DTJ](#) or on the [NDTA News](#) link at no charge.

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Photo: *Alakai* docked in Lihue,, Kauai, ready for relief duty in Haiti

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(JACKSONVILLE, FL; Jan. 29) [Crowley Maritime Corp.](#), working under contract with USTRANSCOM, successfully discharged 202 20' containers of supplies across a beach in Port-au-Prince, Haiti marking the largest post-disaster lightering operation to date. [Read ON](#)

(ARLINGTON, VA; Jan 21) The [National Air Carrier Association](#) has announced that A. Oakley Brooks will become President and CEO of NACA effective Feb 1, 2010. [Read ON](#)

(CHARLOTTE, NC; Jan 20) [Horizon Lines, Inc.](#), the nation's leading domestic ocean shipping and integrated logistics company, has been awarded the "2009 Platinum Carrier Award" by home improvement retailer Lowe's Companies Inc. [Read ON](#)

PLANTATION, FL; Jan 27) [DHL](#), 'Pizzas 4 Patriots' and America's Dairy Farmers partnered to dish up 10,000 Gino's East Deep Dish Pizzas and Honey Milk to servicemen and women stationed throughout Iraq in time for the Super Bowl events. [Read ON](#)

(HARRISBURG, PA; Jan 20) [GeoDecisions](#) has implemented its IRRIS® technology enabling TRANSCOM to display and analyze Web-based nodal visibility of critical sustainment supplies to warfighters. [Read ON](#)

(VIENNA, VA; Jan 20) [XIO Strategies, Inc.](#) announces that former TRANSCOM senior leader, Mr. Charlie Fletcher has joined its board of advisors. [Read ON](#)

The [Association of American Railroads](#) reports U.S. carloads for January 2010 were down 0.7 % at 1,056,684 carloads, compared with January last year, and down 17.7 % compared with 2008. [Read ON](#)

(NETWORK WORLD; Feb 4) The U.S. Air Force has contracted with [IBM](#) to design a cloud computing system secure enough to support defense and intelligence networks. [Read ON](#)

[Landstar](#) recognizes 101 men and women for their outstanding safety records and professionalism behind the wheel. [Read ON](#)

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[DOT](#) Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood announced that MARAD has started preparing the Alakai, a combined cargo and passenger ship built for ferry service in the Hawaiian Islands, for relief duty in Haiti. [Read ON](#)

The [Defense Energy Support Center](#) (DESC) provides fueling services to the DOD, federal civilian and government agencies. In the wake of the Haiti disaster, both the access to and convenience of obtaining necessary fuels for aviation and maritime support efforts became a matter of clear necessity. [Read ON](#)

(WASHINGTON, DC; Jan 6) The broader Middle East, taking care of troops and their families and managing risk remain the military's top priorities, according to Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. At the *Inside Washington Seminar* (George Washington Univ.) Admiral Mullen explained that his goals for the coming years mirror those he set when he took office Oct. 2007. [Read ON](#)

(MARITIME EXECUTIVE; January 12) Support representatives from Multi Service, contractor for the DESC AIR Card® and SEACard® Programs, mobilized in support of Defense Logistics and DESC Haiti disaster relief actions to ensure that U.S. support aircrafts and vessels would have access to the fuel required for completing their missions. [Read ON](#)

General Johns takes command of [Air Mobility Command](#) (AMC). [Read ON](#)

The [Dept. of Homeland Security](#) is tightening controls on its travel and is close to finishing a department-wide travel policy requiring each DHS agency to appoint a single senior official in charge of travel. [Read ON](#)