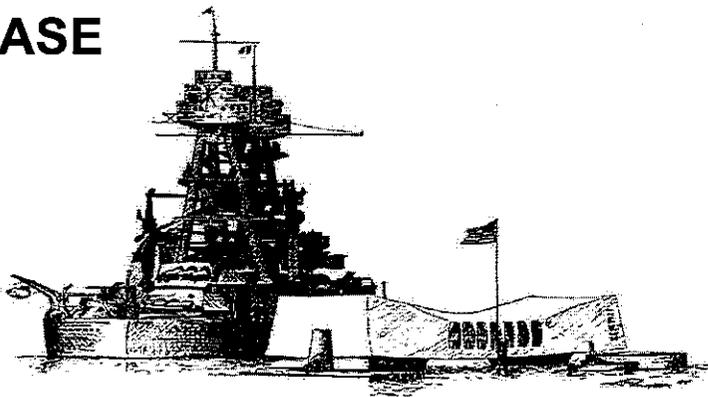


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## ***USS SALVOR (ARS 52) HOMECOMING***

Pearl Harbor's rescue-salvage ship, USS Salvor (ARS 52) and her crew of over 100 officers and Sailors will return tomorrow after a 3-month deployment to the Western Pacific in support of Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training exercise or CARAT 2002.

Under the command of Lt. Cmdr. John A. Carter, USS Salvor is a Safeguard class Rescue-Salvage ship. The ship is capable of many missions, including: salvage of stranded vessels, rescue and assistance, recovery of submerged objects, as well as serving as a manned diving platform. The incredibly capable USS Salvor is also able to tow a 1,092'-long, 97,000-ton Nimitz-class aircraft carrier, an impressive feat considering the ship is 255' long, and displaces 3200 tons.

***Media representatives who wish to cover the ship's arrival should contact the Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office, 473-2888 to arrange an escort. Media will be met at the Nimitz Gate Visitors Pass Office parking lot at 8:30 a.m. for transportation to the pier. Video and still imagery from the arrival will also be made available.***

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