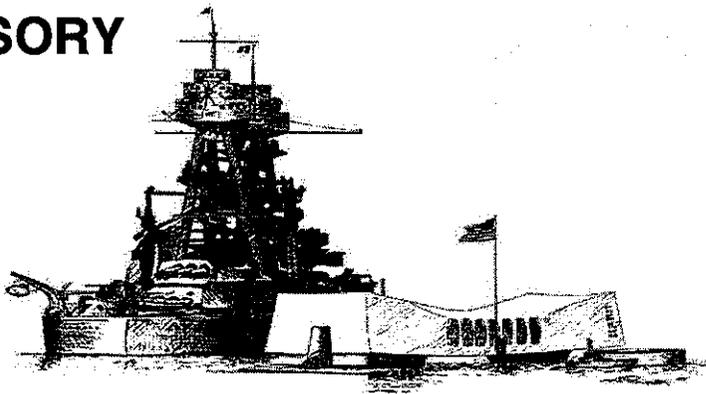


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SAILORS CLEAN UP PEARL HARBOR SHORELINE FOR EARTH DAY

PEARL HARBOR – Approximately 500 Pearl Harbor Sailors will be removing plastics, fishing lines and other debris harmful to sea life and the environment on Tuesday, April 22 in observance of Earth Day 2003.

The Sailors will be picking up items on the shorelines in the West Loch, East Loch, and in some cases, remote areas in Middle Loch of Pearl Harbor from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Although roughly 500 Sailors have committed to the cleanup project, more and more volunteers are calling each hour wanting to participate, according to ICC (SW/AW) James Bowman, who is organizing the project. “The enthusiasm for this project is just tremendous,” explained Bowman.

NOTE: The opportunity to cover this Earth Day event can be done in conjunction with the USS Crommelin arrival, or as separate coverage.

Media representatives interested in covering this event should contact the Navy Region Hawaii Public Affairs Office at (808) 473-2888 by 8 a.m. on Apr. 22 to arrange an escort.

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