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Sailors stationed with U.S. Naval Cargo Handling and Port Group pose for a photograph after delivering school supplies to Iraqi school children. NAVCAHPGRU is currently deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, the multi-national coalition effort to liberate Iraqi people, eliminate Iraq's weapons of mass destruction and the regime of Saddam Hussein. (U.S. Navy photo)

Sailors bring hope to Iraqi schoolchildren

By JOSH SHAWNEE MCKAIN

Staff writer

UMM QASR, Iraq – Imagine trying to multiply three digit numbers. Now imagine not having any paper or pencils to use while doing the calculation. This is what students in Iraq are facing every day. But now, thanks to a few Sailors and Marines, multiplying will be a bit easier.

Students in two elementary schools in Umm Qasr, Iraq were given school supplies as part of a humanitarian aid effort started by Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/Commander, U.S. FIFTH Fleet Chaplain's Office.

"Umm Qasr is the main port for Iraq and a very neglected, economically depressed area," said Commander Michael Parisi, the Deputy COMUSNAVCENT/COMFIFTHFLT Chaplain. "We wanted to let the American troops do some community

relations and win hearts and minds in Iraq."

The school supplies consisted of 10 blackboards, 300 binders with paper and pencils and 23 soccer balls with air pumps and needles. The supplies were collected over a one-year period and purchased with community relations funds by the COMUSNAVCENT/COMFIFTHFLT Chaplain's office. The First Class Petty Officers Associations of Southwest Asia and Marine Corps personnel helped assemble the binders and ship the supplies to Camp Doha in Kuwait.

Unfortunately, once the supplies reached Camp Doha, there were buried among the countless other supplies that were waiting to be sent to the fleet. That's where they sat, undelivered, their whereabouts unknown, until the U.S. Navy Cargo Handling and Port Group stumbled across them.

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USO Tour Puts on All-star Show for Nimitz, CVW-11

By JOSH KRISTINE DEHOUS

USS Nimitz Public Affairs

The United Services Organization (USO) brought all-star entertainment to Sailors aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68) who are continuing their support for coalition ground troops in the Arabian Gulf region.

With one of their world famous tours, the USO was able to provide the Sailors of Nimitz and Carrier Air Wing (CVW) 11 team a much needed break from their daily combat support operations June 19.

The tour, known as Project Salute 2003, is the first USO tour to the region since the conclusion of major hostilities in Iraq.



U.S. Navy photo by PH2 Tiffini M. Jones
Kicking off the United Services Organization (USO) show, Gen. Tommy Franks, Commander, U.S. Forces Central Command (CENTCOM) sings a duet with Wayne Newton aboard USS Nimitz (CVN 68). Nimitz Carrier Strike Force and Carrier Air Wing Eleven (CVW-11) are deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The show kicked off aboard Nimitz with opening remarks from Commander, U.S. Central Command Gen. Tommy Franks.

"We're sitting in the best warfighting machine ever built by man here on Nimitz. But that's not the ship, that's you," said Franks. He went on to thank the crowd of Sailors for their hard work and dedication.

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Promising the best show anyone had ever seen, he said, "I'm honored to be here with all of you, and I'm honored to be here with a group of people that care about you as much as I do."

Franks then turned the show over to famed Las Vegas entertainer Wayne Newton, who is the chairman for the USO Celebrity Circle, to get the show started. Newton and his band sang "Happy Birthday" to Franks.

After following that up with a few more songs and a dance by the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders, Newton introduced actress Brittany Murphy who also sang a few songs for the crew. Murphy is best known for her performances in the movies "Girl Inter-

rupted" and "Just Married."

"It's absolutely incredible to be here," said Murphy. "Every facet of the military gives me the opportunity to be who I am. They fight for that freedom, and I just want to thank every one of you."

The show also included performances from rap artist Bubba Sparks and country music singer Neal McCoy, who sung a duet with Franks to Roger Miller's song, "King of the Road." Comedian Paul Rodriguez also did some stand-up comedy for the Sailors.

Rodriguez, who served in the U.S. Air Force from 1974 to 1978, remembered a time when he was stationed at a remote site in Iceland around the holiday season, and the USO came and put on a show to brighten their spirits. "Now, 30 years later on Nimitz, I hope I'm as funny and make them feel as good as the USO did for me then."

The Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders, who were celebrating their 50th tour with the USO, also came out for another dance number. They took a few volunteers from the crew, played some football trivia and got the crowd pumped up.

Toward the end of the show, actress Alyssa Milano came out to say thank you and show her support for the Sailors.

"It's pretty incredible to be out here with over 5,000 Sailors," said Milano. "No matter how people back home try to imagine this ship, I can't believe how massive it is. I couldn't even have conceptualized this."

Many Sailors not only enjoyed the show, but also appreciated the support. "I think it's cool," said Airman Apprentice Terence Wilson who volunteered as part of the event staff. "The show catered to everyone. It was very exciting and had a variety of singers, entertainers and comedians. To get support from everyone back home is amazing."

Aviation Support Equipment Technician 2nd Class Jackie Plano, who attended the show, said her favorite performer was Franks. He's not exactly a Hollywood star, but certainly a prominent military figure. "I think Gen. Franks is a down to Earth, to-the-point, awesome man," she said. "As for the people that put this together, I commend them. It's great what the USO does for our military."

Before singing "America the Beautiful," which brought the show to a close, Newton said, "This is a song we dedicate to all of you, and you'll know why. I get down on my knees every night and thank God for all of you," Newton said before saying his goodbyes and concluding the show.

In addition to the show, Sailors took part in a basketball tournament with a few National Basketball Association (NBA) players that accompanied the USO group.



Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and Commander, U.S. FIFTH Fleet, is **Vice Adm. Timothy J. Keating.**

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NSA BAHRAIN STRONG BODY EVENT

CHIN UP COMPETITION

WEDNESDAY JUNE 25

1700

IN THE WEIGHT ROOM

POC: RAJAN X 3161

Bahrain Cultural Tour

July 5th

0900

BD 8

Meet at Liberty Center 0830

POC: Corrie x 9218

AROMATHERAPY WORKSHOP @

BETSY'S HOLISTIC DAY SPA

28 JUNE 2003

0900-1600

37 BD

INCLUDES LUNCH @

ZOE'S

SIGN UP BY JUNE 24 @ THE PROGRAMS OFFICE

POC: DEBRA X 3095



Command Religious Program Naval Support Activity Bahrain



Weekly Schedule of Events

Monday	1200-Catholic Mass - Chaplain's Office annex 1700-Gospel Choir Practice - Chapel/Training Facility
Tuesday	1200-Catholic Mass - Chaplain's Office Chapel annex 1830-Gospel Bible Study - Chaplain Parker's home
Wednesday	1200-Catholic Mass - Chaplain's Office Chapel annex 1700-Gospel Choir Practice - Chapel/Training Facility 1815-Gospel Choir Practice - Chapel/Training Facility
Thursday	1200-Catholic Mass - Chaplain's Office Chapel annex 1630-1700-Confessions - Chapel/Training Center 1730-Catholic Vigil Mass - Chapel/Training Center
Friday	0930-Catholic Mass - Chapel/Training Center 0930-Navigator's Bible Study -

	Dome's Multi-Purpose Room 0930-Protestant Children's Friday School - (ages 5-14) Youth Center 0930-Protestant Adult Friday School Navy College Classroom #2 1100-Protestant Worship Service - Chapel/Training Center 1100-Church of Christ Service - Chaplain's Office annex 1130-Gospel Friday School Class - Navy College classroom #2 1300-Gospel Service - Chapel/Training Center 1800-Protestant Friday Evening Fellowship - Chaplain Parker's home * Jewish Shabbat Service 2nd Friday of each month, Chaplain's office Chapel annex
Saturday	0900-2nd & 4th Saturday of each month, Gospel Men of Wisdom Ministry - Oasis POC Bro. Miller 1545-Protestant Campaigner's Bible Study - Bahrain School room 53, POC Ketan
Sunday	1200-Catholic Mass - Chaplain's Office Chapel annex

	1800-Protestant Evening Worship Service- Chapel Training Center 1915-Handbell Choir rehearsal - Chapel Training Facility
Lay Personnel:	Muslim- CTICM Young Church of Christ- SSG Veasey International Church of Christ- PH2 Daniel P. Lapierre Latter Day Saints- CDR Hansen Jewish- LTJG Joshua Frey
NSA Chaplain Staff:	Capt. (Sel.) Parker, Command Chaplain Lt. Borger, Catholic Chaplain RP1(SW) Jefferson-Brooks RP2 Harris
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Sailors... From Front Page

The air cargo sailors of NAVCHAPGRU found the pallet of supplies labeled as Humanitarian Aid in the back corner of an airfield at Camp Doha.

The NAVCHAPGRU is a quick response, forward deployable logistic support unit specializing in open ocean cargo handling with capability to perform air and freight terminal operations. They are homeported in Norfolk, Virg. and is currently deployed to the Central Command Area of Responsibility.

"These supplies were obviously destined to remain there for a long time," said NAVCHAPGRU Command Master Chief Norman Giroux. "We determined it was our duty to get these materials delivered."

The NAVCHAPGRU eventually tracked the pallet of supplies to Captain Mark Tidd, the COMUSNAVCENT/COMFIFTHFLT

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Chaplain. Finally, after a little planning and hard work, the Sailors, Marines and supplies reached the school in the first week of June.

The students and staff couldn't have been more excited or surprised to see them. The students were very curious about what they were receiving but were most excited to see the soccer balls. The staff was a little reserved at first, with the exception of the principal who was very outgoing right from the start, but with in minutes it was clear they were comfortable with the troops being there.

"The condition of the school was fairly decent but some of the classrooms didn't even have floors," said Aviation Boatswains Mate Senior Chief Albert Perez, a cargo handler for the NAVCHAPGRU.

Perez also said the only learning tool the students had were Arabic books. There were no other school supplies available.

"They were beautiful kids and it was sad to see them like that," said Perez.

The Sailors and Marines stayed in each class for a short time and talked with the children. They played a few games and taught them a little about themselves. They also took some pictures before heading out.

"It was very nice to be able to do even

this small thing for these kids," said Giroux.

"My Sailors were awesome during the visit. They were very curious about the Iraqi kids and were clearly touched and moved by the visit," said Giroux. "As with all kids who own very little, they tug at your heart."



Now Showing At NSA's Paradise Theater

7-13 February 2003

Friday 27 June

1530 *Treasure Planet (PG)*

1730 *Phone Booth (R)*

1930 *Head of State (PG-13)*

Saturday 28 June

1530 *The Jungle Book 2 (G)*

1730 *Instinct To Kill (R)*

1930 *Friday After Next (R)*

Sunday 29 June

1730 *The Quiet American (R)*

1930 *Basic (R)*

Monday 30 June

1730 *Undisputed (R)*

1930 *How to Loose a guy in 10 days (PG-13)*

Tuesday 1 July

1730 *Head of State (PG-13)*

1930 *Shanghai Knights (PG-13)*

Wednesday 2 July

1530 *Pinocchio (G)*

1730 *Friday after Next (R)*

1930 *Antibody (R)*

Thursday 3 July

1530 *Wild Thorn berry's*

1730 *Phone Booth (R)*

1930 *Undisputed (R)*

THE JUNGLE BOOK 2 (G)...72 min...Haley Joel Osment & John Goodman: In this sequel, Mowgli leaves his new girlfriend and his human life behind to return to old friends and life in the jungle where he was raised. Shere Khan is out for revenge... Can Baloo and crew help Mowgli avoid Khan's lethal claws?

FRIDAY AFTER NEXT (R)...85 min...Ice Cube & Mike Epps: After Craig & Day-Day finally move out of their parents house and into their own crib, they get jobs at a local mall as unarmed security guards. But when their house is robbed on Christmas Eve by a crook dressed as Santa, they team up once again, to track the crook down.

WILD THORNBERRY'S (PG 13)...86 min...Lynn Redgrave & Marisa Tomei: A long time ago, a shaman granted Eliza the ability to talk to animals in return for a good deed she had done. This ability has gotten her into many wild adventures. When poachers snatch a cheetah cub that is traveling with her, she is on the case to retrieve the cub and an even bigger mystery involving a herd of elephants.

INSTINCT TO KILL (R)...90min...Mark Dacascos & Missy Crider: When a happily married woman discovers that her husband is really a violent serial killer, she turns him in and testifies against him. But when he escapes prison and vows to get revenge, she hires a self-defense trainer who can teach her how to defend herself and just maybe end the nightmare once and for all.

PHONE BOOTH (R)...81 min...Colin Farrell & Kiefer Sutherland: A driven, self-absorbed, and slightly amoral Manhattan public relations "executive" makes the mistake of his life when he answers a ringing phone on a busy midtown street. On the other end of the phone is a madman who tells him he will be shot dead if he hangs up or tries to leave the phone booth.

THE QUIET AMERICAN (R)...101 min...Michael Caine & Brendon Fraser: Set in 1952, during the Vietnamese liberation war from French rule, an opium-addicted British reporter, who's in love with a young Vietnamese woman, is dismayed where a young American CIA agent seems to have eyes for her as well.

PINOCCHIO (G)...100 min...Roberto Benigni & Nicoletta Braschi: Classic story of a wooden puppet come to life, and his magnificent odyssey to become a "real boy" Despite guidance from the beautiful Blue Fairy and the love of his father Gepetto, Pinocchio's curious spirit leads him into one wild adventure after another, distracting him from his goal & distancing him from his loved ones.

UNDISPUTED (R)...93min...Ving Rhames & Wesley Snipes: a heavyweight boxing champ, accused, convicted and sent to prison for rape, discovers that he has competition when a fellow inmate sets up a prison boxing match to determine just who, is the "Undisputed" prison champion.

SHANGHAI KNIGHTS (PG-13)...107min...Jackie Chan & Owen Wilson: After taming the wild west in Shanghai Noon, Chon Wang and Roy O'Bannon are back in the saddle, but this time Chon is out to settle a score and avenge the death of his father while also keeping Roy away from his sister who has uncovered a world wide conspiracy to murder the royal family

HOW TO LOSE A GUY IN 10 DAYS (PG 13)...118min...Mathew McConaughey & Kate Hudson: A columnist for a women's magazine proposes an article, to cheer up a jilted girlfriend, on how to get a guy to fall in love with her and lose him in ten days. But the guy picked also has agenda, he's made a bet that he can get a girl to fall in love with him in ten days in order to win a lucrative as campaign for his company.

TREASURE PLANET (PG)...96min...Emma Thompson & David Hyde Pierce: Follow a young cabin boy aboard a glittering space galleon as he and the crew set off on an intergalactic treasure hunt for the legendary "loot of a thousand worlds" Based on Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island."

HEAD OF STATE (PG 13)...95min...Chris Rock & Bernie Mac: When a popular Democratic presidential candidate dies unexpectedly on the campaign trail, there is no one to take his place. Resigned to losing race, the party puts an unknown Washington D.C. alderman on the ticket just to take up space. But no one ever expected his grass-roots campaign to actually become a serious contender.



MORNING



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2:00	MLB - REDS @ CARDINALS	2:00	PLEASANTVILLE	2:00	THE NUTTY PROFESSOR	2:30		2:30	SEINFELD : - THE SLICER	2:00	AIR FORCE ONE	2:00	FACE/OFF
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5:00	ESPNEWS	4:15	HELL IS FOR HEROES	4:00		5:00		5:00		4:15	IN A LONELY PLACE	4:30	WATERBOT
6:00	HEADLINE NEWS	5:00		5:00		5:30	AMERICAN ATHLETE	5:30	AMERICA'S BLACK FORUM	4:30		5:00	
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9:30	WHEEL OF FORTUNE	9:00	CLIFFORD THE BIG RED DOG : - ANDERSON MAKES THREE / HOME IS WHERE THE FUN IS	10:00	TU-GI-OH! : - SHINING FRIENDSHIP	10:00	THE COLOR OF FRIENDSHIP	9:00	DORA, THE EXPLORER : - GRANDPA'S HOUSE	9:00	SAGWA: THE CHINESE SIAMESE CAT : - CAT AND MOUSE / STINKY TOFU	9:00	OSWALD : - THE GO-KART RACE / AUTUMN LEAVES
10:00	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW : - ORDINARY PEOPLE WITH EXTRAORDINARY IDEAS	9:30	WHEEL OF FORTUNE	10:30	EVEN STEVENS : - SKATING RIVALRY!	10:30		9:30	WHEEL OF FORTUNE	9:30	WHEEL OF FORTUNE	9:30	WHEEL OF FORTUNE
10:20		10:00	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW : - GREAT TEACHERS	11:00	JUNKYARD WARS : - POWER RANT	11:00		10:00	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW : - WHAT TO EAT TO PREVENT COMMON HEALTH HAZARDS	10:00	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW : - BACKSTAGE PASS	10:00	THE OPRAH WINFREY SHOW : - DE-STRESSING YOUR LIFE
11:00	PORT CHARLES	10:30		11:30		11:30	RUGRATS : - WRESTLING GRANDPA	10:30		10:30		10:30	
11:25	GUIDING LIGHT	11:00	PORT CHARLES	12:00	IN THE MIX : - SOCCER KICKIN' BUTTS	12:00	MOTORWEEK	11:00	PORT CHARLES	11:00	PORT CHARLES	11:00	PORT CHARLES
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