

DEPARTMENT CABLE TEAMS

TR'S NEW RADAR SYSTEM

USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT

# ROUGH RIDER

*TR  
Sailors  
Celebrate  
Independence Day*



# RROW: PS3 Rick Maltby



**Story and photo by MCSN Casey Cosker**

*USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)  
Public Affairs*

This week's USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) Rough Rider of the Week is Personnel Specialist 3rd Class Rick Maltby.

Maltby, a 24-year-old Sailor from Mason, Mi., joined the Navy in May 2010, and reported to TR in August of that year.

Maltby said he joined the Navy to travel, which he was able to do while on deployment with USS Enterprise (CVN 65).

While underway, Maltby earned most of his damage control qualifications, according to Personnel Specialist 2nd Class (SW/AW) Benzene Garas, Maltby's leading petty officer.

Now aboard the TR, Maltby hopes to

earn the rest of his qualifications.

"I want to get my ESWS pin before the summer is out," he said. "I'm trying to make PS2 my first time up."

Maltby also intends to take advantage of the educational opportunities the Navy offers.

"I want to get a bachelor's degree in accounting," he said, adding that his background as a personnel specialist has given him experience in the field. "This job works out. There's a lot of accounting."

According to Garas, Maltby is one of the finest third class petty officers working in his department.

"He's a go-getter," Garas said. "He gets stuff done ahead of time. He stands out compared to other Sailors."

A self-described sports fanatic, Maltby's hobbies include playing basketball, running and playing video games.

## Departments man their cables

**Story and photo by MC3 William McCann**

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Linking the massive steel body of USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) is an intricate weave of electrical cables and wires called the cableway system.

The extensive system includes all hardwired cable wire you see onboard that provides power, which gives the ship life and allows TR Sailors to perform their jobs with greater ease and efficiency.

Electricity, heat, air conditioning, food, and internet capability are a few of the amenities provided to the ship's crew on a daily basis via the cableways.

"It's a good idea to check the wires and cables for safety reasons," said Electrician's Mate Fireman Emmanuel Uzoh.

Proper cableway checks help keep fires from spreading through the cableways, and helps maintain watertight and airtight integrity around the ship.

"Almost every space on the ship has cableways," said Electronics Technician 1st Class (SW/AW) Gary Holton, TR's Cableway Manager.

During TR's time in the shipyards, a team of Sailors has been assigned to manage TR's cableways.

"The program has been in place since we've been in the shipyards," Holton said.

However, TR's cableways will now be managed under a new system. The command cableway team is being disbanded. From now on, representatives from each department

onboard TR will perform cableway checks in their own departmental spaces.

"Cableway representatives have been identified," said Holton. "When we see that more people are qualified, we will appoint more divisional reps."

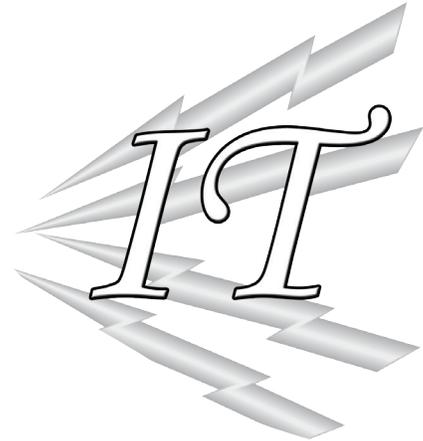
So far, half of the ship's departments have Sailors who are trained and certified to manage cableways.

"Overall our goal is to enable the ship to get underway as scheduled," Holton added.



Electronics Technician 1st Class (SW/AW) Gary Holton performs a maintenance check on one of TR's cable ways.

# KNOW *your* RATE:



Story by MC3 Andrew Sulayao  
*USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71)*  
*Public Affairs*

In today's Navy, it would be nearly impossible to walk inside a work center and not see a computer. However, most Sailors don't understand the intricacies of a computer. They utilize the technology without knowing exactly what makes it work.

That's where Information Systems Technicians (IT) come in.

According to navydp.com, the Machine Accountant (MA) rate was established during World War II as one of many emergency service rates in 1948. In 1967, the rate changed its name to Data Processing Technician (DP) to reflect the advance of technology during the time. DP then merged with the Radioman (RM) rate, and in 2000, the RM rating became the Information Systems Technician rate to show the broad spectrum of expertise that ITs must learn and understand.

In today's Navy, ITs are responsible for the protection and defense of network security, communications throughout ship's network, local area networks, the inside and outside of computer systems and more. With the many responsibilities, it can be a stressful rate.

"All communications on the ship's network come through us," said Chief Information Systems Technician (SW) John Johnson. "Without teamwork, we wouldn't be able to succeed, because as a customer-service rate, trying to take care of every single issue that has to do with all of the computers in our ship can be overwhelming. It takes an immense attention to detail."

Because every work center on a ship has at least one computer, it's clear that ITs have more than their fair share of responsibility.

According to Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Peter Hecht, some of the jobs that ITs take care of include running cables, setting up computers, taking care of networks, and responding to trouble calls concerning printers and computers ship-wide.

"It takes a little bit of a geeky, tech-savvy person to be an IT," said Hecht. "People think that we just sit in front of computers all day long, but to me it's maybe 40 percent of the time at a desk and 60 percent of the time on the decks physically working on computers. It's a working job, and I can honestly say it's hard work."

With literally hundreds of computers on a ship, the task of managing a seemingly insurmountable workload can be daunting.

into our everyday lives is far reaching, and it's very beneficial to have a skill-set that can be useful anywhere.

"We're around something that's everywhere in everyday life that is always needed," said Information Systems Techni-



Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Blair Wureh processes a trouble call ticket in the Automated Data Processing Division office onboard USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) July 11.

Photo by MCSN Casey Cosker

"There's more to the IT rate than meets the eye," said Information Systems Technician 2nd Class Blair Wureh. "The challenge with working on computers is that there is always more than one answer to a problem. Our work involves more than just one step-by-step process. It's a matter of digging through these machines and finding solutions to problems, which can take hours even if it seems like a simple fix."

Working in a technology driven field can be stressful at times. However, being an IT definitely has its advantages. The extent to which computers have integrated

cian 3rd Class Anthony Milton. "Computers are smart things that are stupid, and that's what we as ITs are there for."

Overall, the IT rate is an essential job in the success of today's Navy.

"Being ITs, we're always learning every day," said Johnson. "There's always some new virus to fight, some communication to be handled for those to keep in touch with their loved ones back home, and computers to be fixed to do our every day jobs. We do what we can to stay one step ahead, because the ship needs us to be."

# TR Sailors visit TR's home for Independence Day

Story and photos by MC3 (SW/AW) John Kotara  
*USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) Public Affairs*

**U**SS Theodore Roosevelt's (CVN 71) commanding officer and five Sailors from the ship spent Fourth of July participating in celebrations at the late President Theodore Roosevelt's home at the Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay, N.Y.

In addition to Sagamore Hill, Capt. William J. Hart and the crew marched through the town of Oyster Bay in an Independence Day parade and viewed the Macy's Day Fourth of July fireworks celebration from the pier of the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum.

"The events were well received by everyone in attendance," said Hart. "The community was very supportive and thrilled to see the TR crew. This event was very quaint and it reminds us that America came from small towns such as this and sometimes we forget that. This event shows us what we forgot."

During the parade, Sailors walked alongside organizations ranging from retired service members to the Sagamore Hill National Historic Park Service Associates.

"It really gives you a sense of pride, knowing that people have walked this path before you hand-in-hand," said Senior Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) (AW/SW) Fred Hardy. "It was an honor to not only represent the TR but the military during America's Independence Day."

After the parade, Sailors made a short trip to Roosevelt's summer home at



Captain William J. Hart, Commanding Officer of USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) and fellow Sailors greet community members while taking part in a parade in Oyster Bay, N.Y., July 4. Photo courtesy of Pat Strassberg

Sagamore Hill where they observed horse-back riding techniques used by Roosevelt's Rough Riders. During the display Hardy was treated to a leisurely ride atop one of the show horses.

"It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," said Hardy. "This is the first time I have been able to do something like this and I will never forget everything that occurred here today."

Before the start of another annual event, Thomas Ross, superintendent of Sagamore Hill, asked TR Sailors to raise the United States flag with a little help from children in the community.

"I feel the children realized that the military is really here," said Hospital Corpsman 1st Class (AW/SW) Melissa Cason. "We are here to promote freedom and this gave the children a sense of what it means to say the Pledge of Allegiance in the morning and to see the flag flying."

After the convening of the last speaker, TR Sailors visited Young's Memorial Cemetery. Buried at the top of 26 steps, rests the late president and his second wife, Edith Kermit.

After the conclusion of their visit to Oyster Bay, TR Sailors continued their Independence Day with fireworks at Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum.

"This has been a dream to visit New York on Independence Day, and be next to the Hudson while in uniform and to represent the Navy," said Aviation Structural Mechanic 2nd Class (AW) Tony Perkins. "It was beautiful and spectacular and I feel the community felt the same pride we did while watching the fireworks."

"While in the military we all try to uphold our customs and traditions," said Cason. "Many military members have sacrificed their lives in the past for this country and more will make that sacrifice in the future. We do it for our Independence."



Captain William J. Hart, Commanding Officer of USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71); and fellow Sailors pay respect to the National Anthem during a parade in Oyster Bay, N.Y., July 4.



Sailors assigned to USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) line up for a picture under the ship's slogan, "He who plants shall prosper" at the residence of Roosevelt during an event in Oyster Bay, N.Y., July 4.



Sailors assigned to USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71) stand before a fireworks show in New York, July 4.

# 2012 HEALTH FAIR

## WHEN AND WHERE

Health Fair will be held Thursday, 19 July, from 0830-1400 at the Huntington Hall gym/track and field.

## IN THE GYM

Medical, Dental, Command Fitness, SARP, CRMD, Fleet and Family and other departments will be set up to promote physical and mental health from 0830-1100.

## ON THE FIELD

### FITNESS

Several competitive sporting events will take place from 1100-1400.

### BARBEQUE

A barbeque, sponsored by the SCPOA and CeeCee Treece, a member of the Liberty Program at Huntington Hall, will be held during the fair.

## EXTRA FUN

### DUNK BOOTH

\*The FCPOA/CSADD dunk booth will begin at 1200.

\*Votes will be taken on the Messdecks for \$1 from 1030-1230 Monday through Friday until COB, Wednesday, 18 July.

\*The 5 most voted will be dunked or able to buy themselves out of the dunk with double the amount of the total \$ raised.

### PRIZES WILL ALSO BE GIVEN DURING THE FAIR!!!

\***POCs:** HM1 Cason, ET1 Umayam and HM3 Rastall

\***Uniform of the Day:** Official Navy PT Gear

# PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Capt. William J. Hart, TR's Commanding Officer, shakes hands with Damage Controlman 3rd Class (SW) David Boone during an Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist pinning ceremony July 12.

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# PHOTO FIND



Senior Chief Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) (AW/SW) Fred Hardy, assigned to USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71), rides a horse at Theodore Roosevelt's former residence in Oyster Bay, NY, July 4. TR Sailors were invited to attend an Independence Day event commemorating the late president's achievements. Photo by MC3 (SW/AW) John Kotara.

## Can you find 7 hidden objects?

1. Penny
2. Flag
3. Ship
4. Fireworks
5. Star
6. Waldo
7. TR the man

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Kimberly Romanowski



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