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Navy Designates SPAWAR Commander as Honorary Chief

SAN DIEGO – Former Secretary of the Navy John H. Dalton presented Space and Naval Warfare Systems Commander, Rear Adm. Patrick H. Brady the Honorary Chief Petty Officer Award Oct. 13.

With the recent establishment of the Fleet Readiness Directorate, SPAWAR's newly established Enlisted Information Dominance Warfare Program and the launch of the SPAWAR Acquisition Integrated Logistics Online Repository (SAILOR 2.1), Brady has been continuously proactive in supporting the fleet, especially the enlisted community.

"I have not seen an acquisition professional in uniform have the level of involvement, concern and support of deck plate fleet issues as he does," said SPAWAR Command Master Chief Petty Officer Octavia Harris. "It's refreshing and makes an impact on our forces across the globe. Brady is clearly a "warfighter's admiral."

Past honorary chief petty officers include comedian and actor Bill Cosby, actor and director Ernest Borgnine, former Secretary of the Navy John Dalton and Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus.

Brady began his Navy career at the U.S. Naval Academy and was soon designated as a submariner, continuing on to flag assignments that included the commander of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center; deputy director of Submarine Warfare (OPNAV N87B); and Naval Sea Systems Command's the deputy commander for Undersea Warfare.

"What a wonderful surprise, this is a great highlight of my tour here at SPAWAR," said Brady upon receiving the honorary award.

The award was presented to Brady on the Navy's 236th birthday, welcoming him to the "goat locker."

As the Navy's Information Dominance systems command, SPAWAR is proud to announce Brady as an honorary chief petty officer in the Navy.

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