Happy Birthday, USN â€“ 231 Years

Description

Plenty of others have beat me too this post, but, Iâ€™m not one that likes birthdays much anyhow.

But, to the only service that has a mandate to Congress to be constantly authorized, 231 years of fine service to the Nation, at home and aboard.

Much has changed, an back in the begining, the CHENG was the Deck Deparment Head.

There were no aviators to sit in the wardroom and complain thay had seen all the movies already

There were wooden ships and â€œIron Men.â€• We still have one of those two commodities.

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Submariners were a â€œNavy of One.â€•

The Navy was a â€œwetâ€• one. It took a politician many years later to make it â€œdry.â€•

Deployments could last much longer than 6-8 months.

There was no â€œTrade Schoolâ€• for officers; you learned by an apprenticeship type program.

No evaporators, so no complaining about â€œwater hours.â€•

No â€œtwidgets,â€• but no cool electronic gadgets, either.

Anyhowâ€¦just a few thoughts on this 231st occasion of the Birth of the US Navy.

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