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Tuesday January 12th, 2010

- OAK returns from a 2 day Buoy Tending evolution to discover that Port Au Prince, Haiti has suffered a 7.0 magnitude earthquake. Luckily MK1 Ponder and EM1 Luciani, at ground zero at the time, were reported safe and unharmed.

Wednesday January 13th, 2010

- OAK was set for a local buoy tending day trip commencing at 0745. Sailing orders were delayed until 0900 pending discussions between CDR Glander and District 7. At 0930 CDR Glander announced OAK was to be underway, bound for Haiti, by 1830.
- Charleston's News Leader, Channel 5, held a live broadcast for the 7 pm news plus interviewed CDR Glander and HS1 Roberts for a package aired on the 11 pm news and the Morning Show.
- Steamed overnight; first stop for supplies: Sector Jacksonville

Thursday January 14th, 2010

- Sector Jacksonville. Loaded medical supplies, buoy deck equipment, and humanitarian relief materials. Next stop- Sector Miami.

Friday January 15th, 2010

- Arrived in Miami, Florida shortly after noon. The entire pier was dedicated to loading OAK with thousands of bottles of donated water, food stores, and last minute preparations. Within a matter of hours OAK departed for Port Au Prince, Haiti.

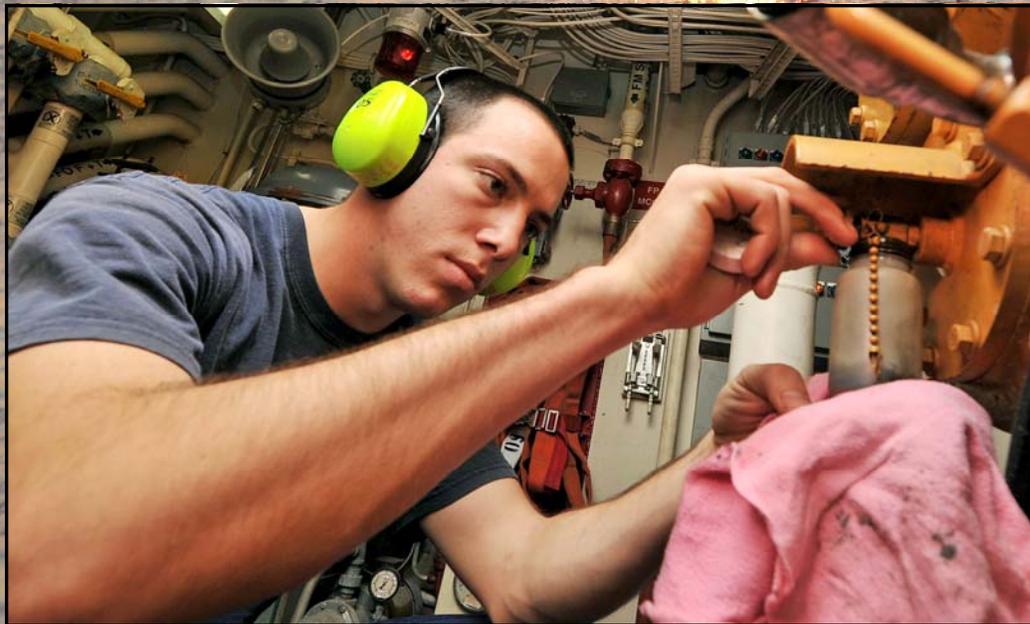


Above: BMC Gittings makes a “water angel” after an exhaustive on loading of the precious cargo. “This is not as comfortable as I imagined”, BMC remarked. “Not at all...”

Right: A bird’s-eye view from the flying bridge reveals the scope of the pier side efforts.

Below: EM3 Richards is captured on camera doing what we do best... getting the job done, period.





Left: The media publicity may have been focused on the buoy deck, but everyone knows some of the most important work happens below. FN Pearce is captured on his round keeping OAK in top form for the journey ahead.



Above: OAK hosted a pier-side press conference with CDR Glander as the key speaker on a variety of issues including the massive on load of supplies, initial plans for the Haitian Relief Efforts, and the difficulties of the days ahead. Every major media outlet in Miami attended including News Channels 4, 7, and 33 (Univision).