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## U.S. Navy Celebrates 247th Birthday in October

October 13, 2022 marks the Navy's 247th birthday. The central theme for this year's commemoration is "On Watch – 24/7 for 247 Years," which highlights our Navy's enduring ability to remain fully ready to respond to and effectively deter emergent threats.

A 13 October 1775 resolution of the Continental Congress established what is now the United States Navy with "a swift sailing vessel, to carry ten carriage guns, and a proportionable number of swivels, with eighty men, be fitted, with all possible dispatch [sic], for a cruise of three months...." After the American War of Independence, the U.S. Constitution empowered the new Congress "to provide and maintain a Navy." Acting on this authority, Congress established the Department of the Navy on 30 April 1798.

In 1972, Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt authorized official recognition of 13 October as the birthday of the U.S. Navy. Since then, each CNO has encouraged a Navy-wide celebration of this occasion "to enhance a greater appreciation of our Navy heritage, and to provide a positive influence toward pride and professionalism in the naval service."

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## From the Director

Carl Glover, Director (N30), Commander, Navy Installations Command

Welcome to fall. As we start the "new" fiscal year, we are happy to **Welcome Aboard** our newest HQ F&ES staff member, ABCM Ray Macias. Master Chief Macias is a member of our HQ Reserve unit and will be with us for one year (see note on page 15).

Fire Prevention Week 2022 was a resounding success. Special *Thanks* to all who sent notes and pictures of their local Fire Prevention Week events (see pages 7 - 14). We received many photos; unfortunately we could not include all the Pics in this Newsletter. We will place all photos in a presentation, and will share separately. Again, thanks to all our Fire Prevention Teams, this is your time in the Spotlight. Please continue to educate the public: **Fire Won't Wait, Plan Your Escape.**

With the new fiscal year, we have restarted our Installation F&ES assessment

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## CNIC Marks 19 Years of Shore Installation Management

From: NAVSHORE Message 008/22

Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC) celebrated 19 years of successfully Sustaining the Fleet, Enabling the Fighter, and Supporting the Family on October 1, 2022.

CNIC's stand-up was the culmination of a multi-year effort to streamline shore installation management

standardize service delivery models across 10 Navy Regions and 70 installations around the world. Although one of the Navy's newest commands, CNIC's five lines of operation (Air Operations, Port Operations, Security/ATFP, Facility Maintenance/Sustainment, MWR/Quality of Life), across 155 programs, support every Navy ship, submarine, squadron, sea and shore-based command, many joint and coalition commands, and several other federal entities. With over 50,000 military and civilian personnel worldwide, team CNIC is at work around the clock, 365 days a year, operating and sustaining 121 runways, 293 hangars, 418 piers/wharves, 60,242 buildings, 197 Child Development Centers, 241 fitness centers, 96 galleys, 24 chapels, 71 Fleet and Family Support Centers, 85 Liberty Centers, 47,039 family housing units, 736 barracks, 100 student dorms, and the list goes on.

Without a doubt, our installations, and the Regions that support them, are the teeth of the organization. It is there that the rubber meets the road and where we touch the customer. And, although we count lots of things and stuff, it is our people, our workforce, that matter most. Our people are our secret weapon, and it is the creativity, innovation and hard work of our workforce that makes us who we are. From defending the base to fire and emergency services; from air and port operations to family readiness; from Morale, Welfare and Recreation to religious ministry; from facility support to protecting the environment, and all things in between, it is our people who deserve all the credit for 19 years of mission success. That is a legacy to be proud of.

To all service members, civilian personnel and contractors of Team CNIC, you make a difference each and every day in the lives of our Sailors and their families. I am amazed by the value you bring to our Navy and am tremendously proud of your commitment to the Fleet, Fighter and Family. On behalf of a grateful Navy and Nation, thank you for your continued service. Bravo Zulu and Happy Birthday CNIC!

VADM Lindsey sends.

"Pax River has achieved the Best Score, (to date) on the new evaluation program!" **BZ to Team Pax.**

The Region Fire Chiefs are meeting in Nov to update policy and firefighting guidance. The Chiefs will also review major incidents, Spirit of Norfolk (NS Norfolk), USS Milwaukee (NS Mayport), and the Spanish Frigate Santa Maria (NS Rota), to learn from these ship fires.

Thanks to all our Navy F&ES Team and Shipmates who serve: **Protecting Those Who Defend America.**

*Carl*



From Left to Right: VADM (Retired) and former CNIC William French; Executive Director Mr. Timothy Bridges; Commander, Navy Installations Command VADM Yancy Lindsey; CNIC Chief of Staff CAPT Ian Johnson; RDML (Retired) and former CNIC Christopher Weaver; CNIC Force Master Chief Jason Dunn; and VADM (Retired) and former CNIC Michael Vitale.

through consolidation of various Navy components and activities. In 2003, the Navy stood up CNIC as a singularly focused installation management organization to oversee shore installation support to the Fleet, bringing together shore operations previously managed by 18 different claimants.

Today, CNIC continues to evolve to execute and optimize operations, improve business practices, and

### **From the Director** (Continued from Page 1)

program after a long break. Our new evaluation is incorporated with the CNIC Security and EM evaluation programs, creating a consolidated Installation evaluation.

Our very first formal test of the new checklist/process was at NAS Patuxent River, during the first week of October. Our HQ Team worked with the NDW Team to conduct the evaluation and review our checklist. The evaluation included administrative and practical evolutions and exercises. The new FEP evaluations start in January. The Pax Fire Chief wanted me to pass along:



## Navy's 247th Birthday

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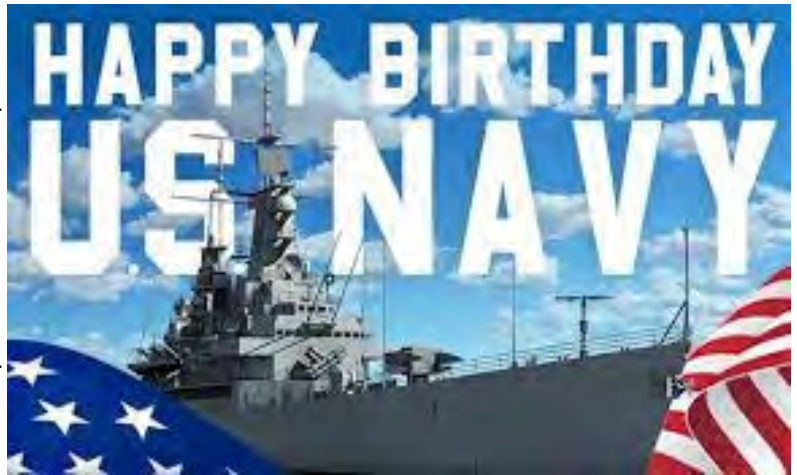
The Navy's Birthday celebrates our traditions of honor, courage, and commitment and recognizes Sailors past and present who are the foundation upon which we have built the world's greatest Navy and secured victories for our nation.

The Navy's forward-deployed presence allows us to protect and promote U.S. interests world-wide. Since its earliest days, the U.S. Navy has deployed forward to deter our adversaries, and fight and win if deterrence fails, in order to safeguard our interests and preserve our way of life. In today's increasingly complex global security environment, the Navy continues to provide constant forward-presence in areas where our interests are being challenged, including the Persian Gulf, South and East China Seas, Red Sea, North Atlantic and beyond. As Russia, China and Iran and other foreign adversaries strive to match and outpace the capabilities of our fleet, it is imperative that we continue to grow, develop and innovate to maintain maritime superiority.

Deployed globally, the Navy has maintained freedom of the seas, protecting the open exchange of goods and

promoting and American values of freedom and liberty. Roughly 90 percent of all world trade is conducted on the seas, and a strong, capable force is essential to our ability to protect shipping lanes. International stability, supported by the Navy's forward-deployed global forces, enables economic prosperity and growth – at home and around the world.

Sources: *Naval History and Heritage Command* ([www.history.navy.mil](http://www.history.navy.mil)); NAVADMIN 137/22



## Great Lakes Fire Personnel Cardiac Arrest Save, Earn Recognition

By: Capt. Matthew Todd, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic F&ES District 10, Great Lakes

On the afternoon of June 7th, 2022, Navy Region Mid-Atlantic, NAVSTA Great Lakes Ambulance 1941 and Quint 1932P were dispatched to the Recruit Training Command indoor track facility for report of an unresponsive person. AMB-1941 was first to arrive on scene and to reach the patient, and radioed the patient was an unresponsive male sailor with no pulse, they were starting CPR. The call was upgraded to a cardiac arrest with Assistant Chief 1902 added to the call. AMB-1942 was added for manpower.

Q-1932P arrived and assisted with advanced life support (ALS) treatment. The patient was in ventricular fibrillation (VFIB); the patient was ultimately counter-shocked four times. After the 4th shock, the patient's rhythm converted and return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC) was achieved. Crews then packaged and transported the patient to the Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital cardiac catheterization lab for treatment.

The patient was ultimately transferred to Northwestern Memorial Hospital at Northwestern University in Chicago for lifesaving cardiac

triple bypass surgery. The patient eventually was released from hospital and a full recovery is expected.

Members receiving awards are Asst. Chief Will Wheat, Capt. William Mix, LT-EMT David Cullen, LT-PM Justin Scaife, LT-EMT Luke Morarend, FF-PM Shane Ratcliff, FF-PM Chad Homberg, FF-EMT Austin Ulas, and FF-EMT Nicholas Neumeier.





## ***JRM F&ES Educates During National Preparedness Month***

By: James Scribner, Special Operations Chief, Joint Region Marianas F&ES

National Preparedness Month came to a close at Dededo fairgrounds with Joint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services chiefs and firefighters participating in a static display with several civilian response agencies.

Island-wide Elementary and middle school students were bused in to participate in the educational opportunities of listening to fire truck operations, civil defense and emergency management coordination, and how agencies interact together during disasters. The education goal of promoting community disaster preparedness, and emergency planning during the month reaffirmed the message to everyone, stay prepared throughout the year.

National Preparedness Month is an observance each September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. The 2022 National Preparedness Month theme is: "A Lasting Legacy. The life you've built is worth protecting." Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family.

Hafa Adai from the sunny island of Guam.



## ***NSF Deveselu Exercises with Romanian, Yugoslavian Partners***

By: Jack Dean, Fire Chief, Romania Base Operations Support

Naval Support Facility Deveselu, Romania recently conducted Operation Shield 2022. This is an annual collaborative effort between NSF Deveselu, the Romanian 99th Military Base at Deveselu, Caracal Fire Department, and Slatina Air Base. Ambulances were sent from the City of Caracal Emergency Medical Services.

The event was broken into 2 days for Fire & Emergency Services. Day one was a HazMat exercise with one casualty. Day two was a simulated explosion with fire with five casualties. The annual exercise is a great opportunity for engaging with mutual aid partners and improving interoperability.

NSF Deveselu is the first Aegis Ashore Missile Defense Facility placed into operation, providing support to NATO's overall ballistic missile defense (BMD) system.





## OLF Webster Personnel Recognized

On September 27, 2022 NAS Patuxent River Commanding Officer Capt. Derrick Kingsley recognized Firefighters Jarratt Thompson, Joseph Raley, Michael Scrivener, and Captain Jason Bean for their lifesaving efforts

made during a medical call in Ridge, MD. The four are assigned to Naval District Washington's Company 14 at Naval Outlying Field Webster in St. Inigoes, MD.



Navy OLF Webster Firefighters with Skipper Kingsley.



FAA Aeronautical Sectional Chart indicates NOLF Webster (KNUJ) due South of PAX River.

## History of Navy Day and Relationship to U.S. Navy Birthday

Navy Day was first celebrated in 1922 by the Navy League of the United States, a civilian nonprofit organization, as a day to pay tribute to the men and women we call sailors. At the time, October 27 was considered by many to be the birthday of the United States Navy, based on a document presented to the Continental Congress on this date in 1775 that supported the purchase of a fleet of merchant ships to form an American Colonial Navy. October 27 also happens to be the birthday of one of the Navy's most ardent supporters, President Theodore Roosevelt, who once served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy and had supported a Navy Day.

Navy Day was traditionally celebrated with pomp and circumstance between 1922 and 1949. The U.S. Navy participated each year by dispatching ships to various U.S. ports where public celebrations were held. The 1945 celebration was particularly grand and memorable when sitting President Harry S. Truman arrived to review the fleet in New York Harbor.

Navy Day was last officially observed in 1949 when the first Secretary of Defense, Louis A. Johnson, announced that Armed Forces Day would officially replace Navy Day commencing the following year. Johnson designated the third Saturday in May as Armed Forces Day, a joint celebration recognizing all traditional branches of the U.S. military: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy. Armed Forces

Day now includes recognition of the new Space Force.

As a civilian organization, the Navy League was not affected by Johnson's directive. They continued to organize events celebrating the original Navy Day on October 27, well attended by both civilians and Navy personnel.

Naval historians conducting research in 1970 determined the authentic birth date of the United States Navy was October 13, 1775. Consequently, the Navy's birthday was officially changed that year from October 27 to October 13. Despite the official change, Navy Day continues to be widely celebrated on October 27, after being deeply entrenched into Navy tradition for more than a quarter-century.

Source: [www.NationalToday.com](http://www.NationalToday.com)





## CNRJ Trains in 2nd Annual Tokyo Rescue Exercise Day

By: Training Officer Yuuhei Hino

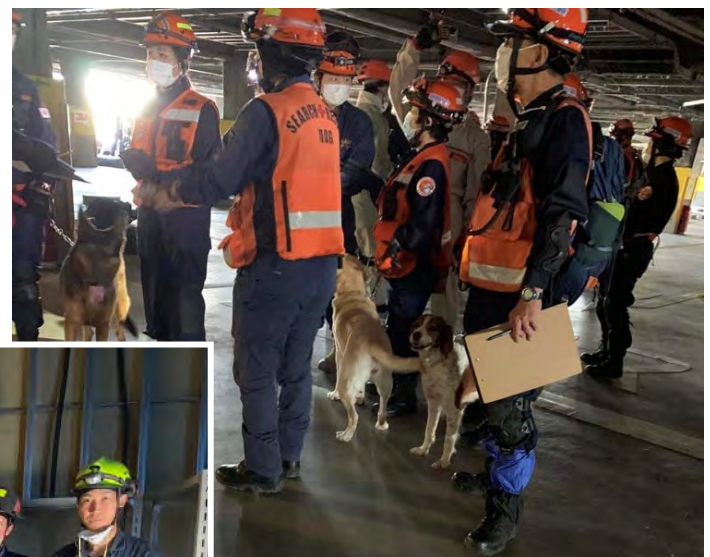
CNRJ F&ES Rescue Crews from Commander, Fleet Activity Yokosuka (CFAY) and Naval Air Facility Atsugi (NAFA) participated in the 2nd Annual Tokyo Rescue Exercise Day. The exercise showcased interagency rescue operations, which included U.S. military fire departments and several mutual aid city fire departments from the Kanto region in Japan. This public demonstration event encourages awareness of how United States Forces Japan (USFJ) partners can be of help to our Japanese communities in times of need.

CNRJ F&ES values interagency relationships with local and regional civilian fire departments. The Rescue Exercise Day was sponsored by Japan Rescue Dog Association, which is a non-profit organization in Japan that responds to disasters where victims are missing or trapped. CNRJ F&ES rescue crews partnered with the US Army Garrison, Japan, F&ES to form a United States Forces Japan (USFJ) rescue team.

The exercise scenario was to locate and rescue victims after an earthquake. The first objective was to practice search and rescue with rescue dogs, and the second objective was to breach through a reinforced concrete floor to access victims on a lower floor.

Search and rescue with rescue dogs located 7 victims within 20 minutes, which demonstrated amazing skill and proficiency. In the second objective, debris was removed by the rescuers and the exercise victims were safely delivered to triage.

The second objective involved a breaching exercise, where the joint rescue team was to make a “clean breach” (gaining access to the victim while dropping



minimal debris, in the process of cutting, breaking, and prying) through a reinforced concrete floor. The floor was 15 inches thick, which required the team to incorporate step cuts in order to break through the floor material completely. It took two and half hours to breach through the concrete, and required bi-lingual communications for all aspects of the operation.

These types of hands on field training events are invaluable to maintaining technical proficiency.



## Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022

This year's Fire Prevention Week reminds us, "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." For 2022 Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15.

Fire Prevention Week has been sponsored by the NFPA since 1922, and it was made into a national observance beginning in 1925. The observance was created in remembrance of a devastating event known as the



Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan

Great Chicago Fire, which took place on October 8, 1871. According to the NFPA, the Great Chicago Fire "killed more than 250 people, left 100,000 homeless, destroyed more than 17,400 structures, and burned more than 2,000

acres of land."

While Fire Prevention Week was created with the focus set on preventing fires as much as possible through safety practices, each year brings with it a new theme that is used to focus education and training on important aspects of fire safety. This year, Fire Prevention Week is focused on planning fire escape routes and family action plans.

Due to the way modern homes are built, they burn incredibly fast once a fire begins to spread. This

leaves as little as 2 minutes for you and your family to evacuate in time, which is why it is of critical importance that you have these action plans in place. If everyone knows their escape routes and what to do once a fire starts, they have a better chance of getting out safely. One of the best things you can do for fire safety is to locate your escape routes, make an action plan, and then run family fire drills regularly to ensure that your plans work within the time limit. If any of your escape routes or action plans are making evacuation take too long, you'll know ahead of time and can make adjustments until your family drills are going smoothly.

For many, making an action plan can be fairly easy and won't be difficult to implement and perfect. However, for those with vulnerable occupants, things can be a lot more difficult. It can be harder for some people to get out of a burning home within 2 minutes. For families with young children, elderly relatives that need assistance, or those who are disabled, an action plan needs to take these considerations into account.

*Enjoy the photos of Navy Fire & Emergency Services Fire Prevention activities and events from around the globe on the following pages.*



Marine Corps Camp Blaz, Guam

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# Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022



### *Navy Region Northwest*

*Above: Personnel from Navy Region Northwest's Battalion 3 kicking Fire Prevention week off at Clover Valley Child Development Center.*

*Right and Below: Personnel from Navy Region Northwest's Battalion 3 educating with community partners at the Oak Harbor (WA) Home Depot Safety Fair.*







# Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022



## Joint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services District 2—Camp Blaz

Marine Corps Base Camp Blaz in Guam was activated on October 1, 2020. This was the first new Marine Corps base activated since March 1, 1952. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, 2022 was the first ever Fire Prevention Week celebrated at Camp Blaz.





## Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022



### Souda Bay, Greece

Capt. Odin J. Klug signed a Fire Prevention Week Proclamation on Sept. 30. The proclamation is an official declaration by Klug to promote fire and life safety during the 2022 Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 9-15. Following the signing, Klug participated in a Live Fire Training conducted in NSA Souda Bay's new two-story Structural Live Fire Training Device. Personnel from the 115th Combat Wing, Hellenic Air Force, Chania Fire Brigade and Chania Airport Fire Station were in attendance for the Training.



Above: NSA Souda Bay C.O. Capt. Odin J. Klug signs Fire Prevention Week Proclamation.

Right: NSA Souda Bay's new live fire trainer. Photos and story courtesy of *The Beacon*, U.S. Naval Support Activity Souda Bay, Greece



### NAS Jacksonville

Left: First Coast Navy Fire & Emergency Services Fire Inspectors Tony Dawson, Tony Lee, Donald Warnick, and Battalion Chief Nicholas Dmytrus passed out fire safety and prevention tools and information as part of this year's National Fire Prevention Week at the NAS Jacksonville Navy Exchange.



**Joint Region Marianas  
Fire & Emergency Services  
District 1—Naval Base Guam**

***Fire Won't Wait! Fire  
Prevention Week 2022***



The community enjoyed fun activities during a Fire Prevention Week open house on Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, in Santa Rita-Sumai hosted by Joint Region Marianas Fire and Emergency Services at Fire Station 5.

According to Naval Base Guam Fire Chief Gifton Lawrence, Jr., "This is a week that we focus on getting the message out to the communities, getting the message out to the families to make sure that you test your smoke alarms, have a safety evacuation plan in mind for your families. (Saturday's open house) just focuses on ways and to raise awareness on fire prevention."

Fun activities like face painting, static displays, an inflatable bouncer, a children's firefighting course, a mannequin pull, a search and rescue smoke room, and a Smokey Bear mobile, were ways the JRM fire unit helped youth participants celebrate the event.

*Story by Isaiah John Aguon, Guam Daily Post. Photo by: Elizanette Benavente Pajarillo, Guam Daily Post.*



***Fire Prevention Week From the Past...***

*Fire Prevention Week History! The "Fire Bug Menace" demonstration at NAS Moffett Field circa early 1950's.*

*The base was first commissioned as NAS Sunnyvale in 1933 then renamed NAS Moffett Field five months later. It was turned over to the U.S. Army in 1939, then returned to the Navy in 1942 as NAS Sunnyvale and renamed NAS Moffett Field again four days later.*

*NAS Moffett Field was deactivated in 1994 as part of BRAC closures and consolidations, and today is operated as a federal airfield by NASA as part of its Ames Research Center.*





# Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022

## Metro San Diego

The Navy Region Southwest Fire Prevention Team along with Sparky the Fire Dog was busy this year for Fire Prevention Week 2022! Here are a few shots taken at some of the great community locations in Metro San Diego during Fire Prevention Week.







# Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022

Commander, Navy Region Japan Fire & Emergency Services  
Fleet Activities Yokosuka Japan







# Fire Won't Wait! Fire Prevention Week 2022



*Navy Region Northwest  
Bremerton, WA*

*Sparky had a 'ruff' day at Naval Base Kitsap at the Bremerton Navy Exchange spreading the word.... "Fire Won't Wait. Plan Your Escape."*

## ***Kadena Air Base & White Beach, Okinawa***

*The 2022 Fire Prevention Week Truck Parade was sponsored by Kadena Air Base Fire & Emergency Services.*

*Commander Fleet Activities Okinawa, White Beach Fire and Emergency Services had the pleasure of participating and supporting.*





## Leadership Achievements, Updates

Joint Region Marianas Fire & Emergency Services **Special Operations Chief James Scribner** was recently awarded the Senior Supervisory Civilian of the Quarter for Joint Region Marianas. Here he is pictured below with Rear Admiral Benjamin Nicholson, Commander, Joint Region Marianas.



CNIC Fire & Emergency Services is happy to welcome our newest HQ F&ES staff, **Master Chief Ray Macias** (below). He is a member of the Navy Reserve HQ F&ES team who will be supporting HQ/N30 under Navy Active Duty orders for one year. Chief Macias is a full time Navy F&ES Battalion Chief of Training for San Diego Metro F&ES.

Master Chief Macias will focus his HQ support on special projects to include work on the OPNAV instruction update, development of shipboard firefighting policy, and other critical projects.



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## EATING HEALTHY

### 7 Surprising Uses for Carrots

- 1 Salad Dressing** Blend carrots with giner, rice vinegar, olive oil, garlic, and toasted sesame oil for a zesty salad topper.
- 2 Tacos** Toss chopped carrots with oil and chili powder. Roast until caramelized. Pile into tacos with avocado, radishes, cilantro, and sour cream.
- 3 Waffles** Add 1/2 to 1 cup shredded carrots to your favorite waffle mix or recipe.
- 4 Bacon** Use a vegetable peeler to create long, thin slices. Mix soy sauce, garlic powder, smoked paprika, olive oil, and a little maple syrup. Brush on carrot strips and air fry for 10 minutes.
- 5 Noodles** Spiralize carrots. Par boil or saute until tender, then toss with butter, Parmesan, lemon zest, and pepper.
- 6 Hummus** Roast chopped carrots with cumin, then blend in food processor with tahini, lemon juice, garlic, and olive oil.
- 7 Energy Bites** In a food processor combine carrots, walnuts, dates, nutmeg, vanilla, cinnamon, and a pinch of salt until well blended. Roll into balls; no cooking needed.



Source: [AARP The Magazine](https://www.aarp.org/magazine), October/November 2022.  
[aarp.org/magazine](https://www.aarp.org/magazine)



## October 2022 Feature Station: Naval Support Activity Souda Bay

NSA Souda Bay is located on the Mediterranean island of Crete, ten miles east of the city of Chania. The installation is located on Greece's Souda Air Base and shares a runway with both the Hellenic Air Force and Daskalogiannis International Airport.

Souda Bay F&ES is a CPSE accredited agency comprised of 42 Host Nation and 19 General Schedule (GS) personnel operating out of one 21,000 sq ft fire station renovated in 2016. The organization responds to all emergencies on the installation as well as medical emergencies throughout the Akrotiri region. ARFF units work hand-in-hand with the Greek Ministry of Fire on a routine basis.

NSASB, Crete, Greece provides operational and logistical support to Command Navy Europe (CNE), European Command (EUCOM), Central Command (CENTCOM), African Command (AFRICOM), Fifth and Sixth



Above: The ARFF mission is shared with Host Nation units.



Above: multicultural meals build comradery.

## Station Profile

Fleets and NATO Forces. NSA Souda Bay performs all administrative functions for units visiting Souda Bay.

The command further provides administrative support to 14 tenant commands and activities. The total population is currently at 1,173 with a mix of military, civilian, family members, and contractors.

The fire department's CPR outreach teaches over 30 classes per year to the bases military, civilians, contractors, and families.

Our fire prevention education team does numerous appearances on AFN radio each year. Despite not having DoDEA or on base schools, the team makes it a point to take Sparky out to the local schools and spread the word of Fire Prevention.

Our current U.S. (GS) firefighters come from throughout the DoD including Navy Region Northwest, Guam, Parris Island, NAS Pensacola, Ft. Hunter



Liggett, JB San Antonio, and Navy Region Mid-Atlantic.

Our own Christopher "CJ" Terlaje is the 2021 Navy Firefighter of The Year!

NSASB F&ES currently operates one staffed structural engine company housed at a combination structural/crash station operating at a Navy Class A-2R. Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) protection is provided for a Navy Category IV airfield and an ICAO Category VII by two staffed Striker's and one

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## Feature Station-OCT 2022 *continued...* Naval Support Activity Souda Bay

cross-staffed TI-3000 CFRV's. NSASB provides ambulance and EMT services with one cross-staffed BLS ambulance. There is a complete inventory of specialized tools and equipment that is maintained on each vehicle. Optimum daily staffing for the NSASB F&ES is 15 firefighters and the Duty Chief

Services Provided: Incident Management, Structural Firefighting, Aircraft Rescue & Firefighting, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Hazardous Materials Weapons of Mass Destruction (CBRNE), POL Spill Response, Defensive Wildland Firefighting, Auto/Machinery Rescue, Confined Space Rescue, High/Low Angle Rescue, Natural Disaster Response/Recovery and Fire Prevention Public Education.

The department prides itself in high quality training at its 90,000 square foot joint nation training ground. There you will find a two story Class A facility, MAFTD, and a RIC/SCBA trainer. Future plans are to expand the grounds by 40,000 square feet creating a dedicated EVOC range.

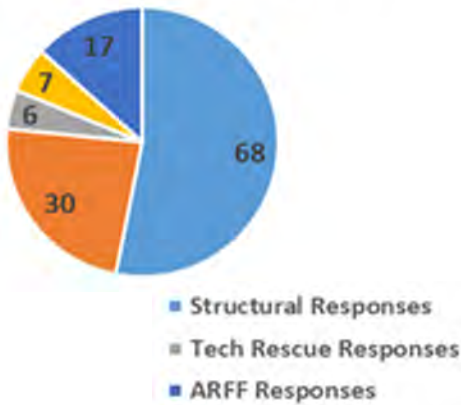


**Photo at Top: Souda Bay Firefighters**

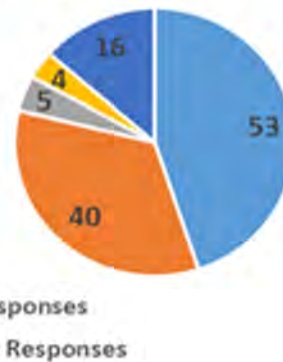
**Right: 9/11 Tribute Run with Commanding Officer in PPE, firefighters and installation personnel**



**NSA Souda Bay F&ES - 2021 Response Data**



**NSA Souda Bay F&ES - 2022 Response Data**



**Like this Fire Station Profile? SEND IN YOUR OWN!**  
 History, photos, personnel and units assigned, service area and unique facts and operations are all appreciated. A sample template is available. EMAIL: [carl.b.glover.civ@us.navy.mil](mailto:carl.b.glover.civ@us.navy.mil)



## Back in the Day: Mare Island Naval Shipyard

By: Tom Shand

During 1854 Mare Island became the first naval base on the west coast, located some 25 miles northeast of San Francisco adjacent to Vallejo, California. The first United States warship produced at the yard was constructed in 1859 with the first dry dock completed to support shipbuilding efforts during both World Wars. During this period Mare Island produced seventeen submarines, thirty one escort destroyers, and 300 landing craft, built by the over 50,000 workers who occupied the installation to support the war effort. In addition to shipbuilding, Mare Island became the premier West Coast submarine port. During 1965 the Navy merged the Hunter's Point Naval Shipyard and Mare Island to become the largest operating shipyard in the world. As a result of findings established by the Base Closure and Realignment Commission, Mare Island was identified for closure with naval operations formally ceasing on April 1, 1996.

Fire protection at the installation was provided using a variety of apparatus over the years including several units built by the Peter Pirsch & Sons Company of Kenosha, Wisconsin. Peter Pirsch was a family owned company that produced their first horse-drawn hose wagon for their hometown of Kenosha, Wisconsin. Over the years the Pirsch Company developed a strong following of customers and produced their first apparatus for the U.S. Navy in October, 1927 with the delivery of a

model 17 quad equipped with a 750 gpm pump, 240 feet of ground ladders and powered with a Waukesha model 6AB engine with serial number 609 for the Mare Island Naval Shipyard.

Over the years Peter Pirsch supplied many vehicles for



1937 Pirsch Model 25R pumper, 1,000gpm/100gal, Navy property number 73-00838 prior to replacement of top-mounted booster reel.

the U.S. Navy including a Model 17 600 gpm pumper for Indian Head, Maryland in 1931 along with a Model 19 pumper, serial number 925 for the Chelsea Naval Annex. During 1937 Pirsch delivered a model 25R pumper to Mare Island, equipped with a 1,000 gpm pump and 100 gallon water tank. This rig was outfitted with a windshield to protect the crew, open front seats, top mounted booster reel and wooden ground ladders.

A unique feature of this pumper was a preconnected hard suction hose using a large chicksan swivel on the left side pump steamer inlet. This arrangement was referred to as a squirrel tail suction and was utilized extensively by fire departments in Louisville, Kentucky and Memphis, Tennessee which both operated with a large fleet of apparatus built by Peter Pirsch and Sons. This intake arrangement allowed for rapid deployment of the hard

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1937 Peter Pirsch pumper, modified with the removal of the top mounted booster reel and replaced with a fixed deck gun. The rig was unfortunately destroyed at a fire on October 4, 1953 which also injured several firefighters.



## ***Back in the Day: U.S. Navy Mack Fire Apparatus*** (continued from Page 10)

suction hose for use in connections to a hydrant or when equipped with a strainer for use in drafting at piers or other static water supplies.

Other apparatus operated by the Mare Island Fire Department include a 1938 Mack E model pumper, also outfitted with a squirrel tail suction, a 1944 Buffalo pumper and a 1943 Seagrave quad. The 1937 Peter Pirsch pumper at one point was modified with the removal of the top mounted booster reel and replaced with a fixed deck gun supplied by a manifold run to the right side of the apparatus and fed by a siamese with preconnected pony lines. This rig assigned property number 73-00838 was unfortunately destroyed at a fire on October 4, 1953 which injured several firemen.

In later years Peter Pirsch delivered the second to last tractor drawn aerial ladder acquired by the U.S. Navy in 1985 to the Treasure Island Naval Station, outside of San Francisco. This rig was one of the few 110 foot model aerial ladders built by Peter Pirsch and was painted in the standard Navy lime green color of that era. Serial number 3347 was assigned property number 74-00060 and finished its career at the North Island Naval Air Station in San Diego.

Peter Pirsch and Sons Company remained in business until October, 1991 when the last completed rig, a 1,500 gpm pumper rolled off the line for delivery to Osceola, Arkansas. Back in the day, the Peter Pirsch all aluminum, lattice ladder remained in production for a run of 47 years.

**Editor's Note:** Since its closure in 1996, the community has rallied around the island's conversion to Vallejo's newest neighborhood. The City of Vallejo is partnering with The Nimitz Group and Southern Land Company (their developer) to develop and manage the Island. Mare Island is now home to more than 100 businesses, Touro University, and a thriving residential community. The Mare Island Historic Park Foundation (MIHPF) is a non-profit organization whose goal is to retain and restore the history and character of the former Mare Island Naval Shipyard. The MIHPF provides guided tours around the island which includes a visit to St. Peters Chapel, Alden Park, and the historic dry dock on the Mare Island Strait.

*Photos from the Facebook page of the Mare Island Shipyard Fire Department and Museum*



Fire apparatus at the North Station of Mare Island Naval Shipyard circa 1940-1945.

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## Federal Employee Health Benefits Open Season Approaching

The upcoming Federal Benefits Open Season will run from 14 November to 12 December 2022. Employees are able to make changes to their Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) and Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Programs (FEDVIP) enrollments and elect to participate in the Federal Flexible Spending Account Program (FSAFEDS).

The 2023 FEHB and FEDVIP premiums are available on the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) website. Plan booklets will be available in early November.

For FEHB the average 2023 health insurance premium increase is 7.2 percent. The share of premiums paid by the government and enrollees is determined based on a government contribution formula set forth in the law. All FEHB plans offer Self Only, Self Plus One, and Self and Family enrollment types.

For FEDVIP the enrollee pays the total cost of the premiums; there is no government contribution. For 2023, there are 23 dental plan options available across the program with at least 14 dental plan options available for each potential enrollee. There are 10 vision plan options available to all potential enrollees.

Virtual Benefits Fairs are scheduled in November and early December, and provide an opportunity for you to find information you need regarding the Federal Employee's Health Benefits (FEHB) Program, Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP), the Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP), the Federal Flexible Spending Account Program (FSAFEDS), and BENEFEDS. This Virtual Benefits Fair provides access to plan information, helpful coverage links, and in some cases, the opportunity to chat with a representative online.

Representatives from all participating carriers will be available to take your questions via chat during the live chat dates. You can download 2023 plan brochures, visit an individual carrier, watch videos, and register for other educational webinars.

For live answers to your questions, register to attend the Virtual Benefits Fair during their live carrier chats. All live carrier chats are held between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern. Dates are: Tuesday, November 15th, Tuesday, November 22nd, Thursday, December 1st, and Thursday, December 8th.



Registration information is available at <https://www.benefeds.com/education-support/dental-vision-webinars>. In addition to the Virtual Benefits Fair, you can register to view additional webinars focusing on specific sub-topics of your Federal health insurance benefits.

Questions about your benefits or accessing the GRB (Government Retirement & Benefits) Platform can always be directed to the Benefits Line at 888-320-2917 from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., EST, Monday - Friday, except on federal holidays. Extended hours will be available during open season until 9:30 p.m. The TTY number is 866-359-5277. You may also email questions to [navybenefits@us.navy.mil](mailto:navybenefits@us.navy.mil). You must include your full name, pay plan, grade, and contact telephone number.

### Open Season Questions? Contact...

A full list of FEHB premiums is available at

<https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/healthcare/plan-information/premiums/>

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### Lifesaving Awards Note for October Edition of *What's Happening*

CNIC reports no Lifesaving Awards were signed out during the month of September. Catch our next edition in November for awards issued during the month of October.

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## CPSE Announces Workshop, Open Nominations for Awards

The Center for Public Safety Excellence has announced a **Quality Improvement through Accreditation (QITA)** Course geared toward DoD participants at NAS Jacksonville in December. The course will be held December 13-15, 8 am to 5 pm each day at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, 105 Yorktown Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32212.

The three-day Quality Improvement for the Fire and Emergency Services workshop provides the basic concepts and steps for agency accreditation. (Required for prospective peer assessors and agency accreditation managers)



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Learning Objectives:

- Identify the steps involved in the self-assessment process, from building a team to becoming an accredited agency.
- Identify the six building blocks of the accreditation process:  
Conducting a Community Risk Assessment, Creating Program Goals and Objectives, Developing a Standards of Cover, Identifying and Documenting Performance Gaps, Developing a Strategic Plan, Conducting a Self-Assessment
- Understand the 10th edition of the self-assessment model.
- Identify tools and support for agencies.

Register at <https://university.cpse.org/>. Registration closes Nov. 29.

Contact Fire Chief Mark Brusoe at [mark.brusoe@navy.mil](mailto:mark.brusoe@navy.mil) or 904-542-3719. Registration fees for Navy attendees are already paid under DoD contract.

### Ray Picard Award - Submission Deadline December 15, 2022

This annual award recognizes an individual who exemplifies the ability, character, dedication, leadership, and visionary attributes Chief Picard exhibited. The individual should personify Chief Picard's contributions and exceptional leadership to the CFAI and the accreditation of fire service organizations.

**Eligibility:** Any Peer Assessor, individual member of an accredited agency, former CFAI or CPC Commissioner, and former CPSE board members are eligible to compete for this award. CPSE staff, contractors, and current members of the CPSE board, CPC, or CFAI are ineligible to compete for this award.

**Criteria:** Individuals will be assessed for their significant achievements or contributions to the assessment and accreditation process in the following areas:

- Accomplishments (within the accreditation process)
- Initiative (including helping others with the accreditation process)

- Technical competence (including serving as a peer assessor, team leader, or instructor)
- Leadership ability (including spreading the word)
- Additional achievements and contributions

**Procedures:** Applicants must complete the nomination form and submit electronically by 5 p.m. Eastern on December 15, 2022. Incomplete nomination packages will be rejected. The Commission on Fire Accreditation International will review nominations and choose the award winner. The award winner will be announced early February 2023.

For additional details or to submit a nomination, download the applica-

tion at [www.cpse.org](http://www.cpse.org).

### Ronny Jack Coleman Leadership Legacy Award - Submission Deadline December 15, 2022

This annual award recognizes an individual who holds a designation through the Commission on Professional Credentialing (CPC) and has exhibited superior leadership and actions that have elevated the Fire and Emergency Service profession through mentoring, teaching, advocating, and sharing outstanding contributions.

**Eligibility:** Any individuals currently designated through the CPC, including former CPSE board members and former CPC or CFAI commissioners, are eligible to compete for this award. CPSE staff, contractors, and current members of the CPSE board, CPC, or CFAI are ineligible to compete for this award.

**Criteria:** The nomination being submitted should highlight the individual for their significant achievements or contributions to the Fire and Emergency Service within the last five years. The application will be evaluated and scored on the following criteria:

- Accomplishments (in mentoring and professional development, including the CPC credentialing process beyond their own agency)
- Initiative (including helping others beyond their own agency through mentoring and professional development, including advocacy for the CPC credentialing process)
- Technical competence (including serving as a peer reviewer, credentialing mentor or instructor)
- Additional achievements/contributions (including volunteer activities with the CPSE)

**Procedures:** Applicants must complete the nomination form and submit electronically by 5 p.m. Eastern on December 15, 2022. More information and the nomination form can be found at [www.cpse.org](http://www.cpse.org).

Questions about either award can be addressed to Debbie Sobotka, CPSE Chief Operating Officer at [dsobotka@cpse.org](mailto:dsobotka@cpse.org), and put "Picard Award" or "Coleman Award" in the subject line.



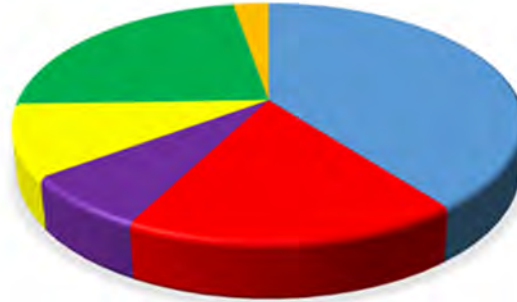
# ESAMS Corner

By: Angela Jordain, ESAMS Fire Technical Support

## Calendar Year 2022 Statistics Through 1 October 2022 (01 Jan – 01 Oct)

### Operations

<b>Total Incidents</b> –	<b>43,118</b>
Rescue & EMS –	16,982
Hazardous –	7,730
False Alarm –	9,794
Service Calls –	3,109
Good Intent –	4,123
Fires –	1,155



- Fires
- Rescue and EMS
- Hazard
- Service Calls
- Good Intent
- False Alarm

### Prevention

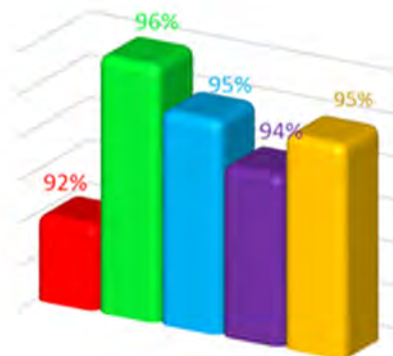
Building Evacuation Drills –	2,623
Hot Work Permits Issued –	20,495
Fire Inspections Completed –	23,213
Public Education Classes –	1,935



- Inspections
- Building Evacuation Drills
- Fire Public Ed Classes
- Hot Work Permits

### Training

Proficiency, Skills, & Practice –	92%
Emergency Management –	96%
EMS –	95%
Safety Training –	94%
DoD Certification –	95%



- Proficiency
- Emergency Management
- EMS
- Safety
- DoD Certification

### F&ES On Duty Mishaps Report CY 22

Mishaps Reported – 104  
Total Lost Work Days – 973





## *Around Navy F&ES in Pictures*



### ***San Diego Training***

*It was another busy week for the Training Division conducting structural live burns Oct. 11-14 at the Navy Region Southwest Regional Training Center in San Diego. The purpose of the burns this week were for testing of Firefighter I, Firefighter II, and Incident Safety Officer (ISO) certifications as well as Task book practicals for Pumper Driver Operator and ISO for Metro San Diego and NWS Seal Beach.*





## *Around Navy F&ES in Pictures (cont.)*



### *Calm Before the Storm*

*Above: An early September morning at Naval Air Station Jacksonville, before Hurricane Ian made landfall for the third time in the U.S. in Georgetown, South Carolina, on the afternoon of Friday, September 30 as a Category 1 storm.*

*Ian first made landfall the afternoon of September 28 in Caya Costa, just north of Sanibel and Captiva islands on Florida's Gulf coast as a Category 4, with winds nearing Category 5 strength. After making landfall for a second time on mainland Florida in Charlotte County later that afternoon, the storm rapidly weakened to a tropical storm moving northeastward and became a hurricane again off the northeast Florida coast.*

*Photos by Brandon Jennings.*

### **VADM Lindsey Visits Okinawa**

*Vice Adm. Yancy Lindsey, Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC), Commander Forces Japan (CNRJ), and Commander, Fleet Activities Okinawa (CFAO) with Fire Chief Gil Chavez and the rest of the Fire & Emergency Services firefighters during his tour of the Fire Station on a recent visit to Japan.*





## Around Navy F&ES in Pictures (cont.)



**Shredder Truck Fire**  
 Left and Below: Naval District Washington Fire & Emergency Services responded to a fire in a contract paper shredding truck on base at NAS Patuxent River on October 4, 2022.



### Souda Bay

Below: Personnel assigned to NSA Souda Bay, the NSA Souda Bay Fire & Emergency Services team, the 115th Combat Wing, Hellenic Air Force, Chania Fire Brigade, Chania Airport Fire Station and C.O. Capt. Odin J. Klug after Live Fire Training on September 30, 2022.



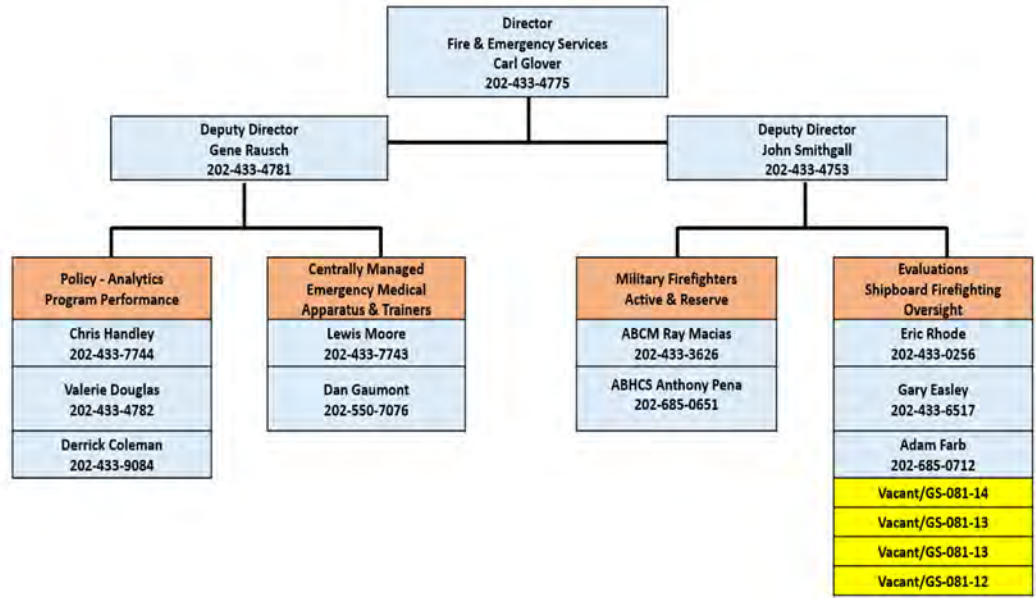


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| 004 David Butler, 2006        | 019 Orville Emory, 2011        | 034 Dudley King, 2018       |
| 005 Alvah Cuthriell, 2007     | 020 Charles Peters, 2011       | 035 Eugene Carmody, 2018    |
| 006 George McGuigan, 2007     | 021 Douglas Thomas, 2011       | 036 Robert Williams, 2018   |
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| 011 Nicanor Benavidez, 2008   | 026 John Arruda, 2014          | 041 George Kennett, 2021    |
| 012 Haraldur Stefánsson, 2008 | 027 Augustus Bowling, 2014     | 042 Glenn DeLaura, 2021     |
| 013 William Beniker, 2008     | 028 Robert Darwin, 2015        | 043 Joseph Thompson, 2022   |
| 014 William Thomann, 2009     | 029 James Meagher, 2016        | 044 Stuart Cook, 2022       |
| 015 Harry Tagen, 2009         | 030 Frederick Seibel III, 2017 | 045 Kenneth Jeffery, 2022   |



*"To all service members, civilian personnel and contractors of Team CNIC, you make a difference each and every day in the lives of our Sailors and their families. I am amazed by the value you bring to our Navy and am tremendously proud of your commitment to the Fleet, Fighter and Family. On behalf of a grateful Navy and Nation, thank you for your continued service. Bravo Zulu and Happy Birthday CNIC!"*

— VADM Yancy Lindsey, Commander, Navy Installations Command