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News from Site Sigonella | Celebrating our Sailors

Some of our command's Sailors advanced to their current rank during a frocking ceremony Dec. 6, 2022 at Naval Air Station Sigonella, Italy.

Frocking is a time honored Navy tradition dating back as early as 1802 and consists of Sailors assuming the uniform and responsibilities of the next higher rank. This is a significant achievement in a service member's career. Frocking provides early recognition to Sailors selected for petty officer third class through master chief petty officer. Earning their current rank is a testament to their commitment, skills and capabilities as a leader. Congratulations on your advancements!



Aviation Boatswain's Mate 2nd Class
Kevin Guevara Miranda (left)



Logistics Specialist 2nd Class
Ahmya Lyons (left)



Logistics Specialist 3rd Class
Colt Murray (left)



Logistics Specialist
3rd Class Justin Voelpel (right)

News from Sites Sigonella, Crombie

Celebrating our Sailors, Marines

By Jenny Feleciano, NAVSUP FLC Sigonella Public Affairs

Some of our command's military team members received Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals (NAM) from our Commanding Officer, Capt. Douglas S. MacKenzie, during a ceremony Dec. 6, 2022 at Naval Air Station Sigonella (NASSIG), Italy.

NAM awards are bestowed upon Navy and Marine Corps personnel for outstanding achievement or meritorious service rendered specifically on behalf of the U.S. Navy. The following Marine and Sailors were awarded NAMs for specific achievements and superior performance of duties.

Marine Corps Sgt. Jeremy Williams was recognized for his performance while serving as custodian of postal effects and supervisor at NASSIG's Fleet Mail Center between March 2021 and March 2022. According to his NAM citation, Williams' attention to detail earned a score of 'outstanding' during the fiscal year 2022 postal assist visit, and he was specifically recognized for his technical knowledge.



Marine Corps Sgt.
Jeremy Williams (right)



Logistics Specialist 2nd Class
Lance Smith (left)

Logistics Specialist 2nd Class (LS2) Lance Smith was recognized for his "superb leadership, exceptional managerial skills, and impressive teamwork" while serving as leading petty officer at NASSIG's Fleet Mail Center between March 2021 and March 2022. According to his NAM citation, Smith "led 24 personnel in the safe receipt and processing of 1.28 million pounds of incoming mail and 240,000 pounds of outgoing mail, resulting in 100 percent accountability for all cash funds, stamp stock and money orders with zero discrepancies."

LS2 Emily Wheeler was recognized for her performance while serving as logistics support representative and cargo leading petty officer at our command's cooperative security location at Defense Munitions Crombie, Scotland between April 2022 and July 2022. According to her NAM citation, Wheeler "played a key role in coordinating and expediting 584,000 pounds of cargo and 77,000 pounds of mail to 15 deployed units, including two



Logistics Specialist 2nd Class
Emily Wheeler (left)



Logistics Specialist 3rd Class
Colt Murray (left)

carrier strike groups and an amphibious readiness group in the U.S. Fifth and Sixth Fleet areas of responsibility, enhancing the Navy's mission readiness and morale".

LS3 Colt Murray received his NAM for "providing outstanding logistical support to 36 deployed units while serving as logistics support representative between December 2019 and October 2022, enhancing the Navy's mission readiness in the U.S. Fifth and Sixth Fleet areas of responsibility. Murray's citation also recognized him for his performance of duties as a mail clerk, "helping boost the morale of over 4,500 base personnel by processing 350,000 pounds of mail with 100 percent accountability".

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Lt. Tianhao Shi and Logistics Specialist 1st Class Vanessa Alvarez were recognized by our Commanding Officer, Capt. Douglas S. MacKenzie, for completing the NAVSUP Master Logistics Support Representative (LSR) Training Program, during a ceremony Dec. 6, 2022 at Naval Air Station Sigonella, Italy.

LSRs are responsible for acting as the focal point for all aspects of shipboard support in the local area. This certification program establishes a baseline of standard knowledge for journeymen and master LSRs across the NAVSUP enterprise.

As the site's logistics support officer, Shi provides leadership and oversight of the logistics operations in sustaining the U.S. Sixth Fleet and NATO operations.

"A qualified master logistics support representative is the most desired asset for each Navy afloat warfighter," Shi said. "This training allows me to provide value-added logistics support and coordination in the most complex environment, ensuring our Warfighters receive all necessary logistics services."



Lt. Tianhao Shi (left), NAVSUP FLCSI logistics support officer



Logistics Specialist 1st Class Vanessa Alvarez (left)

As the site's Logistics Support Center leading petty officer and lead LSR, Alvarez leads a team responsible for the coordination and timeliness of all movement of cargo, mail and provisions to ships operating in the U.S. Fifth and Sixth Fleet areas of responsibility.

"Master LSR is the highest qualification for the logistics support representative title," Alvarez said. "It's something I wanted to achieve at this command, and sooner than most. I wanted to be qualified in enough time to have a year left so I can train and qualify others before my departure. To me, having this qualification is the highest honor as an LSR."

In their roles, Shi and Alvarez oversee the processing of surface and air movements and customs requests for cargo, mail, provisions, and ships' merchandise. In fiscal 2022, their team provided logistics support services for more than 53 port visits, which was a 212 percent increase from fiscal 2021.

Coordinating more than 49 Military Sealift Command ship in-port replenishments at the Augusta NATO pier, their team ensured mission readiness to 36 deployed ships, including the Kearsarge Amphibious Readiness Group, Harry S. Truman Carrier Strike Group (CSG) and George H. W. Bush CSG, totaling more than 12,000 pallets of cargo, 24 million gallons of DFM/JP5 fuel and 821,000 pounds of mail, which is equal to 80 percent of all mail to the U.S. Sixth Fleet.

NAVSUP prepares fleet mail centers across U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa for holiday season

By Joseph Yanik, NAVSUP FLC Sigonella Public Affairs

Every year, hundreds of postal professionals assigned to NAVSUP FLCSI process approximately 13 million pounds of mail at fleet mail centers located across Naval Forces Europe-Africa (NAVEUR-AF) for ashore and afloat Navy warfighters, DOD personnel, and their family members.

Of that volume, more than a million pounds of mail and packages on average are processed during the holiday season alone.

"In order for our postal teams to effectively manage the sharp increase in mail and packages during the holiday season, good planning is critical," said Vic Gonzalez, NAVSUP FLCSI's postal program manager.

Planning for the 2022 holiday season, in part, meant that NAVSUP FLCSI's postal teams augmented their workforce with volunteers and reservists on active duty orders who assisted with unloading mail trucks, sorting mail and delivering packages to customers.

"Our postal personnel are not normally able to take leave during the months of November and December because of the increased mail volume," Gonzalez said. "Even with a fully staffed postal workforce, there is still a need for additional help, and our Reserve Component and post office volunteers definitely helped make a difference."

Besides augmenting their FMC workforce, another way NAVSUP FLCSI postal teams prepared for the 2022 holiday mail season was to perform a continuous process improvement (CPI) review in early December with the command's mail control activity (MCA) team operating at Rome Fiumicino International Airport.

"Our major goals during the CPI self-assessment review were to empower our MCA Rome team to identify barriers to productivity and fix problems at the lowest level using proven problem-solving tools" said Antonio Fiorini, NAVSUP FLCSI CPI manager. "Our command's CPI efforts demonstrate our command's ongoing commitment to 'Get Real Get Better' by fostering exceptional performance and increasing mission readiness in all of our mission sets, especially fleet mail center operations."

Another way NAVSUP FLCSI's postal teams prepared for the 2022 holiday season is by communicating to its customer base with announcements through NAVEUR-AF's public affairs offices. Announcements pertained to recommended mailing dates and resources for using the military postal service, such as knowing how to correctly complete the mail customs forms.

"To be effective with communicating important information to our postal customer base about using the military postal system, we needed to be early, accurate and clear with our messaging," Gonzalez said.



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"As it is for every holiday season, our goal this year is to serve each of our postal customers with the highest level of professionalism and expediency," said Capt. Douglas S. MacKenzie, NAVSUP FLCI commanding officer. "We are dedicated to ensuring our customers' packages arrive securely to their destinations in a timely fashion. This what our customers expect and we are committed to exceeding those expectations. It's a quality-of-life service we take to heart and we are committed to getting it right this year."

NAVSUP FLC Sigonella is a geographically-diverse command whose FMCs and fleet mail activities support afloat and ashore Naval Warfighters operating in the Baltic and Mediterranean Seas, as well as across in locations like Italy, Greece, Spain, Portugal, Poland, Romania, United Kingdom and Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti, Africa.

NAVSUP FLCSI is one of eight FLCs under Commander, NAVSUP. Headquartered in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, NAVSUP employs a diverse, worldwide workforce of more than 25,000 military and civilian personnel. NAVSUP and the Navy Supply Corps conduct and enable supply chain, acquisition, operational logistics and Sailor & family care activities with our mission partners to generate readiness and sustain naval forces worldwide to prevent and decisively win wars.



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News from Site Rota | Year In Review

Located on Naval Station (NAVSTA) Rota, Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Fleet Logistics Center Sigonella (FLCSI) Site Rota provides logistical, business, and support services to its customers. One of those customers is fleet.

“With four forward-deployed naval forces (FDNF) Europe destroyers homeported at NAVSTA Rota in addition to multiple transient vessels, NAVSUP’s Fleet Support team members stay very busy,” said Cmdr. Bert Phillips, site director for NAVSUP FLCSI-Site Rota.

Fleet support operations require a high level of coordination and communication amongst the division’s logistics support representatives (LSRs) and internal FLCSI divisions such as contracting, transportation, hazardous materials, and fuels. Outside the command, Fleet support works with other NAVSTA Rota departments and tenant commands in addition to the individual entities being serviced.

FULL STORY - <https://www.dvidshub.net/news/435726/2022-review-naval-supply-systems-command-fleet-logistics-center-sigonella-navsup-flcsi-site-rota>



News from Site Naples | NSA Naples Lends Hand to Deliver Mail

NAPLES, Italy—Naval Support Activity Naples community members pitched in to help ease the burden of holiday packages arriving at the local U.S. post office, Dec. 21, 2022.

Naval Supply Systems Command Fleet Logistics Center Sigonella (NAVSUP FLC SI) receives more than a million pounds of mail and packages during the holiday season to be delivered to installations throughout Navy Region Europe, Africa, Central (EURAFCENT).

“The impact that we have for most of the Sailors and families that are stationed overseas is the fact that they're able to get packages from home delivered to them on the holidays,” said Cmdr. Kevin Clarida, Site Director for Fleet Logistics Center Sigonella Naples site. “That’s why all of our Sailors that work in the post office are not taking leave over the holidays; because they're staying here to ensure all the other Sailors and families get their packages processed so they can celebrate their holidays and have that connection to home.”

FULL STORY - <https://dvidshub.net/r/cyek36>

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Readers,

I am excited to introduce to you the fifth issue of our command's quarterly newsletter!

Contained in the following pages are more than a dozen "*good news*" stories that highlight some of our command members' many impressive achievements during the 4th Quarter of FY22.

Stories fall into three key theme categories:

- **'Bravo Zulu'** stories spotlight the accomplishments by, and expertise of, our command's top performers.
- **'Inclusion & Diversity'** stories feature ways our members are committed to practicing inclusion in the workplace and celebrating our command's rich diversity.
- **'Products & Services'** stories illustrate how we accomplish our logistics support mission across our AOR.

To the NAVSUP FLCSI family, I hope you can take away from these stories many reasons to be proud of the important work you and your teams are doing in support of the U.S. Navy and Joint Warfighters operating across Navy Region Europe/Africa.

- Capt. MacKenzie, Commanding Officer, NAVSUP FLCSI

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Overseas mail during the holidays is a team effort! Your local postal workers have to work extra hard during this season to get your mail processed in a timely manner. Be sure to thank them [#TeamEURAFCENT!](#)

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Top mention earned 639 engagements

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Mail Call! 🚢 ✉️

Sailors at [@nas_sigonella](#) sort incoming mail at [@NavSupFLCSI](#) Fleet Mail Center, Dec. 27, 2022.

📢 By Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Kegan E. Kay
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