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The Culinary Specialists onboard ASPEN were not only preparing delicious and creative meals in 2019, but they were also taking on key collaterals and extra duties throughout the ship – including serving as members of the **Battle Dress Station** during General Emergency & General Quarters. While at CART/TSTA in May/June 2019, their expertise and team work earned them 100% on **ALL** medical drills, contributing to ASPEN earning the coveted Battle “E” Award in **ALL** warfare areas this cycle!

Calendar year 2019 was an incredibly busy year for the ASPEN crew, encompassing an extensive 3-month dry dock availability, CART/TSTA training cycle, backfilling an unexpected D13 request for ATON support, accomplishing multiple scheduled D11 ATON patrols, supporting the **NOAA National Data Buoy Center**, and conducting joint LE operations off the coast of Southern California & the Channel Islands with the National Park Service.







The heart and soul of ASPEN's flourishing galley, Duty Cooks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] prepare fresh dough during an extended 35-day deployment to backfill ATON support in District 13 during its 18-month WLB Midlife Maintenance Availability gap and hull swap. Bravo Zulu to the ASPEN crew for earning the coveted **Meritorious Unit Commendation** for their hard work in August 2019 – and especially to the galley for keeping everyone happy and fed!



During our 35-day D13 ATON patrol in August 2019,

██████████ spent a significant amount of time getting down and dirty on the buoy deck and working diligently toward earning their **Buoy Deck Rigger** qualifications – the hallmark of salty and seasoned **Black Hull Sailors**!



██████████ is also a member of the Law Enforcement Team onboard ASPEN. Striving to earn her **Boarding Team Member** qualification, she attended a training course in March 2019.



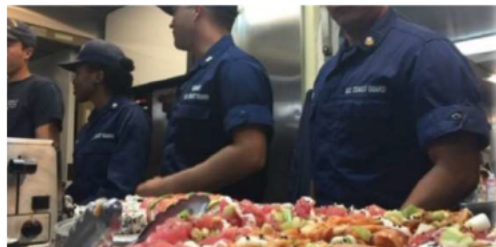
In December 2019, she went “over the rail” and conducted several living marine resources/ fisheries enforcement boardings off the coast of the Channel Islands in Southern California, working alongside rangers from the National Park Service.





Our Culinary Specialists are **talented doers** AND **talented teachers**! LEFT: Messcook [REDACTED] prepares scratch-made dumplings under [REDACTED] instruction. RIGHT: Deck Watch Officer [REDACTED] prepares a delectable charcuterie board for the Christmas Day dinner extravaganza!





The galley onboard ASPEN is a place for teamwork, learning, and fun! On the left are pictures of a morale night where the **First Class Petty Officers** prepared a wide array of sushi rolls and poke for the rest of the crew. The response was incredible – the crew cannot wait for more opportunities like this in 2020!



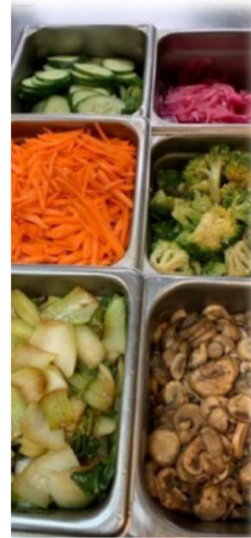
Operations Officer [REDACTED]  
has a blast preparing pizzas alongside the  
Wardroom during an entertaining and tasty  
morale night!





Congrats to [REDACTED] (pictured) and [REDACTED] for advancing! Coming up in 2020, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] are also on the list to advance. You made [REDACTED] proud to be the galley's division officer!

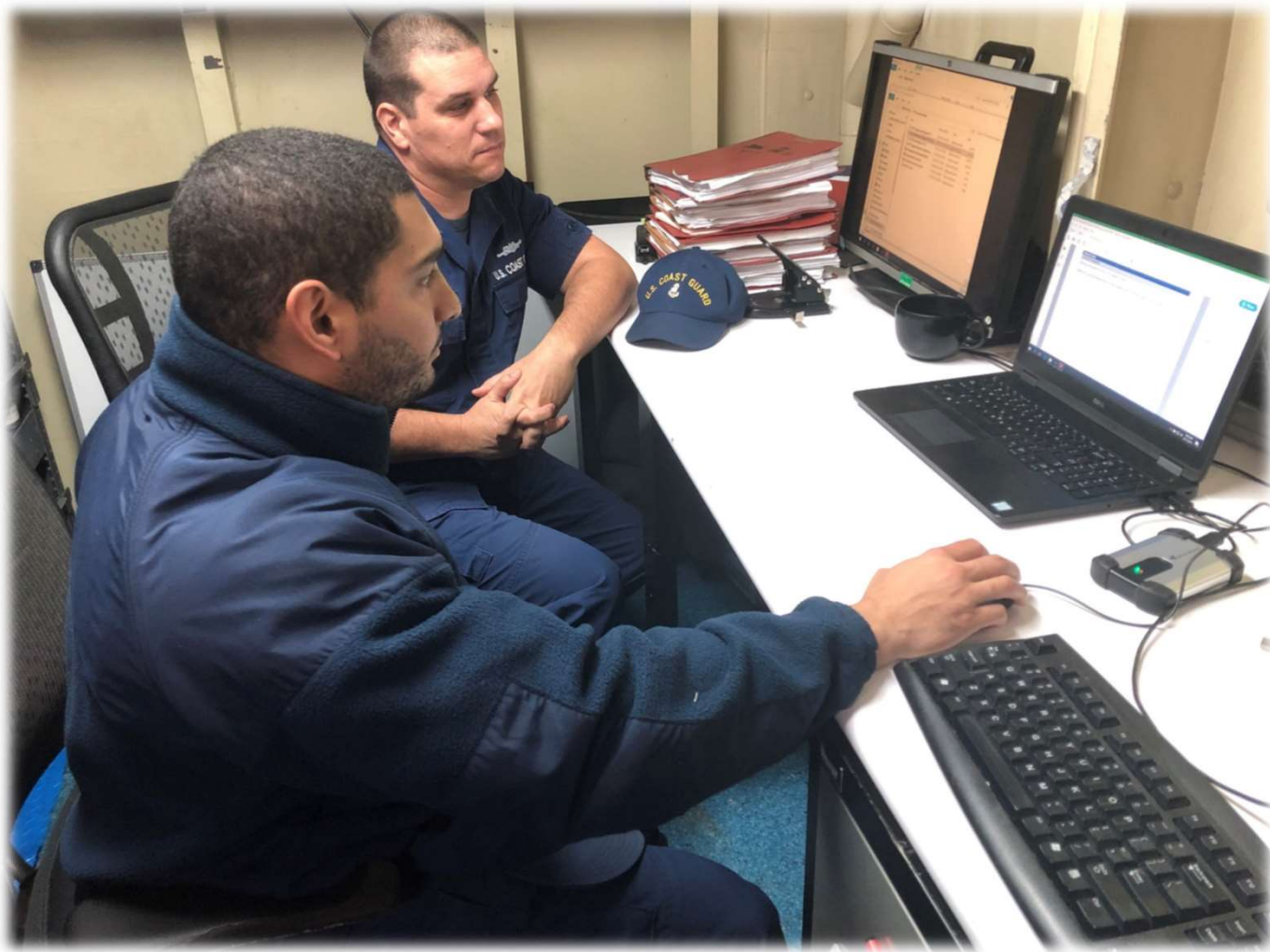




The ASPEN crew hosts many VIP guests and is often the go-to cutter to conduct high-profile inter-agency events in the D11 AOR. In 2019, the galley prepared creative and impressive offerings for several such groups, including 40 high-profile civilian leaders participating in the **Pentagon's Joint Civilian Orientation Conference (JCOC)**, the District 11 and District 13 Commanders, a slew of senior staffer from District 11/SFLC, and 100+ crew guests during our inaugural friends and family "Day on the Bay" event.







The ASPEN galley received high praise during its COST visit in September 2019. Pictured left, [REDACTED] Jack of the Dust, reviews galley paper work and receives mentoring from the assist team during their time onboard. Bravo Zulu to the entire galley staff!



The ASPEN galley receives endless compliments from guests and crew alike – and continues to provide delicious, nutritious, and unique meals everyday.

Thank you for considering this incredible team for the Forrest O. Rednour Memorial Award!

