



Supply Department

Storekeepers • Subsistence Specialists

The Supply Department on POLAR SEA can be described as the 'keepers of the stores.' Our department procures, stows, packages, and preserves the following: provisions, repair parts, housekeeping and administrative items, and all other supplies needed to sustain and operate the ship throughout its worldwide operational area. The Enlisted Dining Facility and Officer Mess provides four full service meals each day. GSK and CALMS storerooms issue Arctic gear, cleaning supplies, and spare parts. We handle arrangements for the delivery and payment of bulk fuel, take custody of all stores, maintain accountability, perform all budgeting and accounting functions relative to the ship, and are involved in logistical matters relating to material ordered by, or moving to, the ship.

Biggest challenge this trip: maintaining a sense of humor through-



SS3 Douglas Van Kampen prepares stir-fry for lunch.

out a long deployment, making improvements to the Centralized Supply System, and finding more beans to count.

- SKC Dana V. Hanberg



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middle (left to right): SKC Dana Hanberg, SK3 Michael Sanicharra, SK2 Thad King, SS2 Nathaniel Hightower,
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