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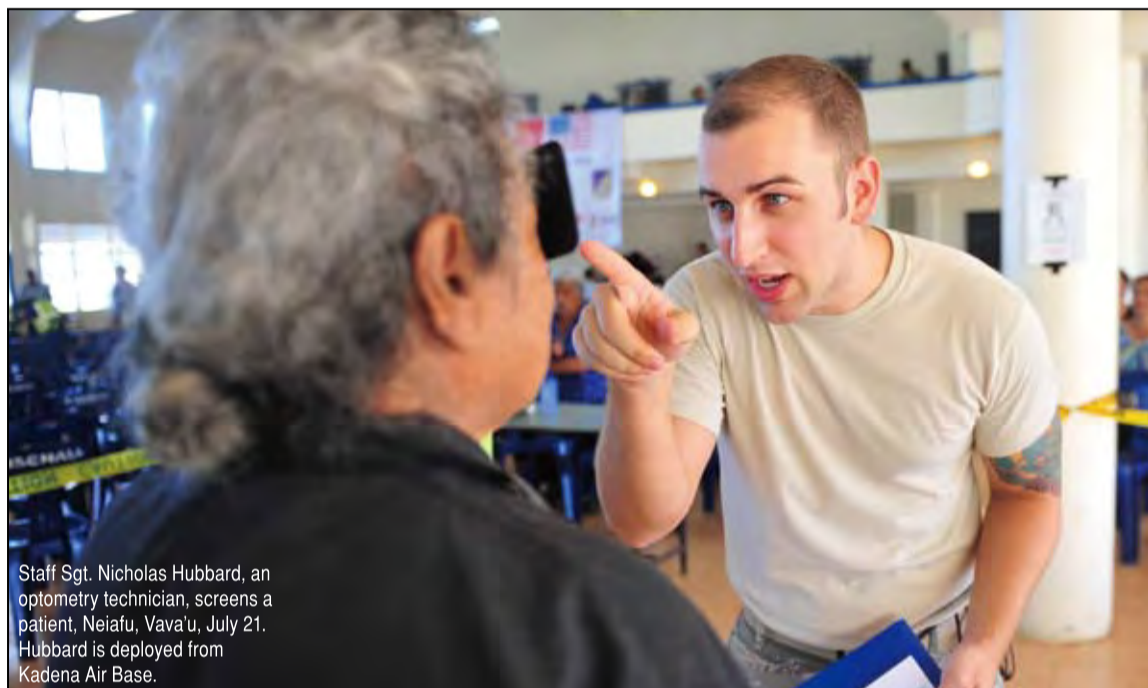
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Pacific Angel making a difference in Tonga



Staff Sgt. Nicholas Hubbard, an optometry technician, screens a patient, Neiafu, Vava'u, July 21. Hubbard is deployed from Kadena Air Base.

By Staff Sgt. Rachelle Coleman

PACANGEL Tonga Public Affairs
7/21/2014 - NEIAFU, Tonga — More than 160 members from seven nations joined forces to provide humanitarian assistance to the citizens of Tonga as part of Operation Pacific Angel-Tonga July 21.

American, Tongan, French, Australian, Kiwi, Filipino and Indonesian military personnel kicked off the first day of the exercise opening a health services outreach and conducting civil engineering projects at three local schools.

Electricians, structural craftsmen, carpenters and plumbers will work together during the PA-

CANGEL exercise to repair and replace doors, locks, windows, wiring, partitions, sinks, faucets, toilets and various additional requirements at five local schools.

A makeshift clinic was set up in a local college auditorium with physical therapy, optometry, dental and family medicine clinics as well as a pharmacy. With the help of Red Cross volunteer interpreters, doctors and medical technicians were able to provide acute care and educate patients on preventative health measures for different ailments.

"It's definitely a worthy project that we are working with different partners to provide a service that Tongans may not have day-to-day," said Maj. Paul Kim, a

public health officer. "It's about building a lasting relationship."

Kim conducted presentations for patients in the waiting area of the clinic on chikungunya virus, a mosquito born virus prevalent in the area and safe food preparation techniques.

PACANGEL enhances participating nations' humanitarian assistance and disaster relief capabilities.

"This is a humanitarian assistance and the people of Vava'u in Tonga, not only the people of Vava'u, Haapai too, and Tongatapu appreciate very much the exercise and assistance provided by not only the Americans but also other national foreign forces

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Kanagawa prefectural vice governor visits Kadena



(U.S. Air Force photo by Naoto Anazawa)

Col. Peter Milohnic, 18th Operations Group commander, and Masao Kurokawa, Kanagawa prefectural government vice governor, attend a mission briefing during Kurokawa's visit to Kadena Air Base, July 18. The purpose of the visit was to learn about the roles and current state of U.S. facilities in Okinawa. Kanagawa prefecture has been working on collaborative efforts with the U.S. Army and Navy, organizing a mutual aid system in time of disasters.

18th CS cable and antenna shop lays first-ever ribbon fiber on Kadena



(U.S. Air Force photo by Naoto Anazawa)

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Blankenship, 18th Communications Squadron commander, thanks members of the 18th CS cable and antenna shop after a plaque presentation on Kadena Air Base, July 22. Thirty-two military members and 27 master labor contractors were involved in the first-ever ribbon fiber placement in Okinawa. The Navy 864 circuit ribbon fiber optic cable, approximately 26,000 feet long, was placed between Kadena Air Base and Camp Shields. The fiber optic cable significantly expands the IT backbone infrastructure between the two installations, and will increase the rate of communication.

Meet the new 18th Wing Command Chief

By Airman 1st Class Stephen G. Eigel

18th Wing Public Affairs
7/23/2014 — U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Daniel McGuire took over as command chief of the 18th Wing in June 2014, at Kadena Air Base. Below is a Q-and-A providing his thoughts on his new profession and new home.

What do you hope to bring to the 18th Wing during your time as command chief?

The number one thing that I want to bring to the wing is to ensure that every Airman, regardless of their job, sees how they fit into the combat mission and carries with them a warrior ethos.

What do you expect of the Airmen under your command?

I expect professionalism, integrity and service. I expect them not to look the other way. I expect them to lead at the lowest levels; I'm a huge advocate of small unit leadership, because I think that's where we get the most work done. I expect them not to pass the buck upwards but to take care of their problems at each of their levels.

How do you feel about Kadena AB and living in Okinawa?

I am extremely excited about living in an area of such political importance as Kadena is, in retrospect to both how we are ambassadors to our host nation here and the defense of the homeland. Being

at the tip of the spear is exciting and understanding the mission should not be confusing here.

Who inspires you and why?

I have many mentors that inspire me. My family inspires me to do the things that I do each and every day; it starts with them because at the end of the day that's who's there. Every day I leave and come back home and when I leave, I leave inspired by them and I come home proud to tell them about my day. Second, the next generation Airmen inspire me, I always see them out around doing the right thing and working hard. They could just choose to stop showing up and then where would we be, but they don't and they inspire me to keep going and stay motivated.



Chief Master Sgt. Daniel P. McGuire is the Command Chief for the 18th Wing, Kadena Air Base.

On-Base Housing for accompanied military personnel

By Senior Airman Marcus Morris

18th Wing Public Affairs
7/23/2014 — Moving to a new base can sometimes feel overwhelming, especially for accompanied military members; however, your sponsor and the people at the housing office can help make your move a smoother one.

It is a good idea to contact your sponsor or new squadron as soon as you know your arrival day to make reservations for temporary lodging, if you don't you may have to rent an off-base hotel.

Whether or not you stay in on-base family billeting, or an off-base hotel, you will continue to receive your authorized housing and food allowance. Additionally, for the first 10 days following your arrival, you'll receive a special allowance, called Temporary Lodging Expense. This special allowance reimburses you for meals and lodging, up to \$180 per day, per family. After the 10 days is up, you'll have to pay for billeting/motel out of your pocket (although you'll still be receiving your housing allowance and sustenance allowance).

Government housing is provided to military members and DOD Civilians who meet the appropriate criteria, this includes:
• Members on an accompanied tour with command sponsored dependents authorized to reside with them
• Military-Married-to-Military couples assigned to same or adjacent



(U.S. Air Force graphic by Naoko Simoji)

base and reside jointly

• Designated Key and Essential DOD Civilian with a transportation agreement, on an accompanied tour with command sponsored dependent
• Other eligible DOD Civilians on excess inventory basis only

Once you have determined you're eligible for on-base housing you can submit an advance application for assignment (DD Form 1746). Submit the form through the Housing Management Office at your losing installation with a complete copy of your PCS orders. The completed application can be sent via fax, email or can be carried by hand to the housing office.

The effective date of the application is the date you depart your losing installation (including members with TDY enroute) or the date ordered to active duty. If you forgot or waited until you arrived on your next duty station to fill out a DD Form 1746, you can make an appointment with housing and fill it out at the housing office. Getting on the list earlier allows housing to forecast your arrival so they do not exhaust all of the housing.

Once you are on the on-base housing list it can take anywhere from 5 to 20 days to get a house. This is based on availability and subject to change.

The Department of Defense has over 7,800 on-base Military Family Housing units to support military and civilian personnel and their families assigned to installations here on Okinawa. As of July 1, 2013 all inbound accompanied military personnel will be required to reside on-base if adequate MFH units are available. This will stay in effect until 98 percent occupancy is met for each entitlement category at both the member's primary and secondary installations. If that quota is filled off-base housing will be offered to the personnel.

If available, accompanied personnel will be shown two homes which will be as near as possible to their work installation. Once offers have been made, personnel may check-out the keys and have 24-hours to accept or decline the home.

"Getting a house is a unique experience for each person," said Sherri Green, 718th Civil Engineer Squadron chief of housing management. "(Sponsors) please help your newcomers out and call ahead to schedule TLA arrangements and initial housing briefs."

For more information, visit <http://www.housing.af.mil/okinawa/> or call 634-0582.

efforts by partnering with other governments, non-governmental agencies and multilateral militaries in the respective region to provide medical, dental, optometry, and engineering assistance to their citizens. This operation will be used to improve and build relationships in the event of future

humanitarian assistance and disaster relief efforts.

Since 2007, U.S. military members, together with host nation military and civilian personnel throughout the region, have improved the lives of tens of thousands of people through PACANGEL operations.

Chief's Choice Awards May and June



(Courtesy photo)

May: Tech. Sgt. Arkelia F. Hamlet, 18th Dental Squadron dental hygienist, was selected for the Kadena Chiefs' Group Chief Choice Award July 19 on Kadena Air Base. Hamlet was nominated by her Squadron Superintendent, Chief Master Sgt. Eric Hall, for outstanding professionalism, customs and courtesies, bearing and civic contributions to Kadena and the local community. The winner of the Chief Choice Award receives a certificate and coin from the Chiefs Group.



(Courtesy photo)

June: Senior Airmen Lance E. Radford, 18th Security Forces Squadron base defense operation center controller, was selected for the Kadena Chiefs' Group Chief Choice Award July 19 on Kadena Air Base. Radford was nominated by his Chief Enlisted Manager, Chief Master Sgt. Hector Soler, for outstanding professionalism, customs and courtesies, bearing and civic contributions to Kadena and the local community. The winner of the Chief Choice Award receives a certificate and coin from the Chiefs Group.



(Courtesy photo)

June: Airmen 1st Class Collin T. Bourque (center), 320th Special Tactics Squadron aviation resource management apprentice, was selected for the Kadena Chiefs' Group Chief Choice Award July 19 on Kadena Air Base. Bourque was nominated by his Chief Enlisted Manager, Chief Master Sgt. Michael Stockdale, for outstanding professionalism, customs and courtesies, bearing and civic contributions to Kadena and the local community. The winner of the Chief Choice Award receives a certificate and coin from the Chiefs Group.

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here in Tonga for ... Pacific Angel," said Maj. Maama Misi, His Majesty's Armed Forces operations officer.

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SAPR continues to push awareness

By Airman 1st Class Keith James

18th Wing Public Affairs
7/18/2014 — Laurie Scudder, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response specialist from the SAPR office here, recently conducted a radio interview with the Air Force Network, Okinawa to discuss the topic of SAPR.

Scudder addressed the key topics of SAPR during the 45 minute interview. The topics included victim advocates, outreach and prevention, reporting procedures and options as a victim at Kadena.

“Sexual assault in general was such a taboo word, and I think the military has done a very good job in opening up that communication and it and saying it’s ok to talk about it,” Scudder said.

The role of an Air Force SAPR victim advocate is to provide support, be a liaison and provide care to victims of sexual assault. Victim advocates ensure victims receive the necessary care and support until the victim deems or the SARC determines that support is no longer needed. Responsibilities of the victim advocate include providing crisis intervention, referral and ongoing non-clinical support, information on available options and resources to assist the victim in making informed decisions about the case.

“We want to make sure people have a choice,” Scudder said. “They get to be the ones to decide who



(U.S. Air Force graphic by Naoko Simoji)

they are speaking with, and what that organization is and where that organization comes from.”

The SAPR office brings awareness to the public by use of informational booths on SAPR around Kadena, by visiting the different units and squadrons here and through its annual SAPR safety stand down day. They educate the members on how sexual assault is defined, what it includes, how to prevent it from occurring, and what to do when or if it does occur.

“We don’t force anyone in one direction or another; we provide individuals with information and let them make educated decision for themselves.”

It’s important for all service members, dependents, Department of Defense members and civilians to know what you’re reporting options are. There are two reporting options available, unrestricted and restricted.

Unrestricted reporting initiates a law enforcement investigation for the sexual assault incident. If a

report of sexual assault is made to a commander, first sergeant, a member of your chain of command, Security Forces or Air Force Office of Special Investigation, the report will automatically be an unrestricted report.

Restricted reporting allows a victim to report a sexual assault without triggering a law enforcement investigation. It is intended to give the victim time and control over the release of their information. A Restricted Report

also empowers the victim to make an informed decision about participating in the criminal process.

“This is an option that puts control back into the victim’s hands, and allows them to make the decision for themselves,” Scudder said.

Remembering to stay aware and follow proper procedures gives the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator and SAPR members the best opportunity to assist victims of sexual assault. Sexual assault hurts one but affects all and preventing sexual assault is everyone’s duty.

“In the last 10 years we’ve made a bunch of strides as far as prevention methods,” said Scudder. “I continue see folks come forward and become empowered; wanting to be a part of this new change.”

For additional information and help refer to the links below for assistance: <http://www.kadena.af.mil/units/sexualassaultpreventionandresponse/index.asp>

Kadena hyperbaric chamber discontinues ops



(U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Zade C. Vadnais)

Tech. Sgt. Charrissa Smith, 18th Aerospace and Operational Physiological Training Flight chief, adjusts the level of oxygen flowing into her mask while inside a hyperbaric chamber on Kadena Air Base, July 17. Smith, Staff Sgt. Kimberly Weaver (left), 18th Aerospace Medicine Squadron independent duty medical technician, Tech. Sgt. Sabrina Torries (center), 18th Medical Operations Squadron ambulance services technician, and Staff Sgt. Sherenda Fausnaugh (not pictured), 18th MDOS independent duty medical technician, were the last Airmen to undergo pressure change in Kadena’s hyperbaric chamber. Use of the chamber has been discontinued due to budget and manning constraints.



Maj. Tim Stout, 18th Aerospace and Operational Physiological Training Flight commander, looks through a porthole to check on service members inside a hyperbaric chamber on Kadena Air Base, July 17. This “dive,” which refers to the utilization of the chamber, was the last to take place on Kadena since budget and manning constraints have discontinued use of the chamber. Divers suffering from decompression injury in the future will visit Camp Foster, where they will be assigned an American doctor and taken to be treated in an off-base hyperbaric chamber.

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KDAP strives to keep the community safe

By Airman 1st Class Stephen G. Eigel

18th Wing Public Affairs

7/18/2014 — Sitting in an empty conference room Lt. Col. Peter Pollock, 18th Mission Support Group deputy commander and head of the Kadena Disciplinary Action Program, awaits his first case of the day.

After reviewing the files he finally calls in the family where he asks two simple questions, would you like to talk about the subject in question and were you in fact involved in the alleged offense, he then begins the hearing.

Since 1945, the U.S. military has shown good ambassadorship at Kadena Air Base through its respect, discipline and high standards. KDAP helps all of the non-military status of forces agree-

ment members do the same.

"KDAP handles any misconduct committed by any non-military SOFA personnel," said Pollock "That includes any civilians, contractors, and any dependents regardless of age that are under SOFA."

KDAP is designed to deter misconduct and to educate our SOFA status members. They conduct hearings for all offenses to include driving under the influence, assault, selling or using drugs, stealing, and curfew violations. After the hearing a penalty will be given, usually consisting of community service.

"I sit down with every client and we talk about what happened," Pollock said. "I am like a human lie detector test, so I ask a lot of questions."

Teenagers make up almost 50 percent of the cases that KDAP receives. It is

important to educate them on the rules and help them understand why it is important to follow them. Pollock said he tries to use California's, three strikes and you're out law, but sometimes incidents are too severe to do that.

"If people don't want to act properly and follow the little things then we don't want them here; Brigadier General James Hecker our commander doesn't want them here, and I will recommend barment," he continued.

If recommended for barment from the base then the individual barred would not be allowed on any Department of Defense installation in Japan; that could mean they may potentially have to move back to the states leaving their families behind.

"A lot of the teens who are barred from

base have to do online school, go to an expensive private school, or go back to the U.S. and live with a relative," Pollock said. "My most important goal is to keep the base community safe," Pollock said. "Unfortunately, if that means getting rid of a few bad apples to keep the community safe, then I will."

KDAP is not just a disciplinary tool; it is also a preventative measure. For example in the most recent school year KDAP held educational briefings about the harmful effects of spice, as a result spice related cases among teenagers have dropped 80 percent.

KDAP has proved to be an effective way to encourage non-military SOFA members and their families to show good ambassadorship in a way that reflects well on the U.S. military.

Kadena Eagles participate in ATR



(U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Emily A. Bradley)



▲ Airman 1st Class Nicholas Spitzkopf, 44th Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief, inspects an F-15C Eagle, June 27, on Andersen Air Force Base. Kadena Airmen assigned to Kadena Air Base came to Guam to practice their operational skillsets in a location with less noise restrictions.

◀ Airmen of the 44th Aircraft Maintenance Unit assigned to Kadena Air Base inspect an F-15C Eagle after a training mission June 27, on Andersen Air Force Base. The Airmen, aircraft and equipment came to Andersen to take part in an aviation training relocation program, which is an opportunity for Kadena Airmen to improve their skillsets in a location with less noise restrictions.

By Airman 1st Class Emily A. Bradley

36th Wing Public Affairs

7/9/2014 - ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — Members of the 44th Fighter Squadron, 909th Air Refueling Squadron and 961st Airborne Air Control Squadron, along with aircraft assigned to Kadena Air Base, Japan, arrived here June 18, as part of a four week ATR, or aviation training relocation program.

The ATR is an opportunity for Kadena Airmen to improve their skills with less noise restrictions in several strategic op-

erational sets and integrate with Andersen Airmen to promote cohesion within the Pacific Air Forces.

"Operating in Guam gives us the chance to practice mission sets we typically can't replicate around Okinawa," said Maj. Brett Faber, 44th Fighter Squadron assistant director of operations. "We have the perfect combination of assets out here for everyone to train as you would fight in the real world."

The training increases the readiness capabilities of approximately 200 maintainers, 30 pilots and 15 support Airmen to respond

to potential threats by performing as they would in daytime and nighttime real-world scenarios throughout Guam's airspace.

"This kind of training helps our unit work as a cohesive team... (the maintainers) are out there ready for anything that may happen," said Chief Master Sgt. Ramel Haley, 44th Aircraft Maintenance Unit superintendent. "Without the maintainers there to prepare the aircraft, there would be no successful missions."

Kadena pilots will get the chance to train with Airmen and B-52 Stratofortresses assigned to the 69th Expeditionary

Bomb Squadron, who are deployed here from Minot Air Force Base, N.D., to fulfill the continuous bomber presence mission, a long-standing deterrent capability for the Asia-Pacific region.

"Being face-to-face with Airmen we have typically only conversed with over the phone really strengthens our relationships with other Airmen within the region," Faber said. "Real world outcome is based on us training to the maximum extent while we are here."

The units are expected to return to Okinawa in the middle of July.

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Social media requires care, caution with political material

By Master Sgt. Christian Michael

Air Reserve Personnel Center
Public Affairs

7/23/2014 - BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — Most Americans are born with a political rattle in their hands and learn to shake it early.

While U.S. culture promotes opinions and debate, Airmen should be reminded that, while on active duty — and even for reservists who may be perceived as active military representatives, participating in politics on social media is exactly the same as it is in person: strictly prohibited.

According to a list of Defense Department and Air Force Instructions longer than the average Airman's arm, which includes the 2014-2015 Voting Assistance Guide, DODI 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program and the Office of U.S. Special Counsel FAQ page, regarding social media and the Hatch Act, participating in politics is prohibited for members of the DOD and Department of Homeland Security when that participation can be interpreted as an official endorsement.

For active-duty Airmen, that's any Facebook share, Twitter retweet or other repost of material from a political party, partisan candidate or campaign profile to friends, or even to post on those sites in a way

that would constitute political activity. Nor can Airmen suggest their friends "like" those sites.

It's exactly like in-person partisan political activity — no stumping or selling a particular candidate, party or campaign.

However, it doesn't mean an Airman can't offer an opinion.

As in the past, when Airmen could write letters to the editor regarding particular issues, Airmen may still post their opinions on their own pages and that of nonpartisan sites and organizations. However, as with the newspapers, if the writer is identified as an Airman or other representative of the U.S. armed forces — which active-duty members are considered just that by default — then it must be clear that the Airman's opinion is a personal one, and does not reflect the official stance of any government agency.

For members not on active duty, such as reservists and guardsmen, political activity is permitted on social media so long as their participation in no way implies official endorsement or condemnation of any particular partisan political entity.

If an Airman has any doubt as to what is or is not permitted, he or she could contact their unit judge advocate or their Federal Voting Officer to ensure any participation is legal.

For more information, visit Fed-

eral Voting Assistance Program website or refer to these references:

- DODI 5405.3, Development of Proposed Public Affairs Guidance
- 2012 DOD Public Affairs Guidance for Political Campaigns and Elections
- DODD 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces
- 5 U.S.C. Sec. 7321-7326, The Hatch Act of 1939, as amended in 1993
- 5 C.F.R. Parts 733-734, Political Activities of Federal Employees
- DODI 5120.4, DOD Newspapers, Magazines and Civilian Enterprise Publications
- DODI 1100.13, Surveys of DOD Personnel
- DODI 5120.20, American Forces Radio and Television Service
- DODR 5120.20-R, Management and Operation of AFRTS
- DODD 5410.18, Public Affairs Community Relations Policy
- DODI 5410.19, Public Affairs Community Relations Policy Implementation
- DODI 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program and Directive-Type Memorandum 10-021, Guidance In Implementing Installation Voter Assistance Offices
- 2014-2015 Voting Assistance Guide
- DODD 1344.13, Implementation of The National Voter Registration Act
- U.S. Office of Special Counsel, Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Social Media and the Hatch Act, dated April 4, 2012 (supersedes social media advisory, dated August 10, 2010)
- Internal Revenue Code
- 18 U.S.C. 609, Use of military authority to influence vote of member of Armed Forces
- DODD 1344.13, Implementation of The National Voter Registration Act



(U.S. Air Force illustration by Airman 1st Class Ryan Callaghan)

By Air Force Safety Center

7/22/2014 - MOODY AIR FORCE BASE, Ga — According to the Air Force Safety Center, there were 16,600 injuries involving grills in 2011. Approximately half were burn injuries and more than one-quarter involved children under five years of age. Additionally, almost one-third of these injuries occurred when lighting the grill. Grill safely this summer by following these tips:

- **Move gas hoses as far away as possible from hot surfaces and dripping hot grease. If you can't move the hoses, install a heat shield to protect them.**
- **Keep lighted cigarettes, matches, or open flames away from a leaking grill.**
- **Never use a grill indoors. Use the grill at least ten feet away from any building. Do not use the grill in a garage, carport, porch, or under a surface that can catch fire.**
- **When lighting the grill, keep the top open. If the grill does not light in first several attempts, wait five minutes to allow gas to dissipate**
- **Never use gasoline to start a fire - it is much too dangerous to use on grills.**
- **Never use a grill on apartment or condominium balconies. This practice is one of the biggest dangers with grills. It is unsafe and against the law.**
- **Keep children and pets away from fires and grills. It only takes a second for curiosity to cause a serious burn.**
- **Though coals may appear to be cool, always soak them with water. Coals retain enough heat to reignite for days after the fire.**

For more information on grilling safety and the 2014 Critical Days of Summer, visit the Air Force Safety Center website.

Air Force focuses fourth round of VERA/VSIP on headquarters reductions

Courtesy of Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

7/18/2014 - WASHINGTON — In an effort to lead its force management actions with voluntary programs, the Air Force announced a fourth round of civilian workforce shaping measures beginning July 21.

This follows the recent Air Force announcement on headquarters organization and staffing reductions. Those changes are designed to eliminate redundant activities and improve efficiencies while also satisfying previous secretary of defense direction to reduce management headquarters costs and staff levels by 20 percent.

Voluntary early retirement authority and voluntary separation incentive pay will be used to realign and rebalance the civilian force during the round IV program. Round IV is largely focused on Headquarters Air Force-assigned civilian employees, primarily located in the national capital region.

Civilians at some major command locations who could be impacted by these changes will also participate. The remaining MAJCOMs will participate in a subsequent round.

Civilian employees will receive VERA/VSIP interest surveys from their local civilian personnel sections on or about July 21 and responses are due by Aug. 1, unless an earlier date is established by local CPSs. Applicants approved for this round of VERA/VSIP must separate no later than Sep. 30.

"As the Air Force works to streamline the management framework regarding basic organization structures and associated business practices, some civilian positions at the Headquarters Air Force level will be eliminated," said Heidi Liebel, the acting chief of the civilian force policy division. "The Air Force is committed to minimizing the adverse impacts of restructuring on our civilian employees, hence the use of VERA/VSIP to offer voluntary early

separation or retirement incentives."

There will be at least one more round of civilian workforce management as soon as all the MAJCOMs have the final details of all the changes associated with the 20 percent headquarters management review and reductions associated with realigning and consolidating functions under the Installation and Mission Support Center.

"The Air Force recognizes the invaluable contributions of our civilian workforce, but also must manage the fiscal constraints under which the Department of Defense is operating," said Brig. Gen. Brian Kelly, the director of force management policy. "We are focused on fine tuning the force while taking care to minimize the effect on our current permanent civilian workforce and their families."

The processes available to rebalance or reskill the work force include using reduction-in-force procedures to determine

coverage employee priority placement rights into vacant positions, as well as providing the flexibility to waive qualifications and provide retained grade and pay if placed in a lower graded position. In that regard, the HAF and other participating bases will begin their preparations for submitting their requests for approval to use reduction-in-force procedures in an effort to place employees in continuing permanent positions.

"We are committed to using voluntary separation programs as much as possible before pursuing involuntary options," Kelly said. "As we progress toward the end of the fiscal year, it is apparent the HAF will need to rebalance skills of the workforce into vacant positions."

For additional information about civilian employment, voluntary separation programs and other personnel actions, visit the Air Force Personnel Service website at <https://gum-crm.csd.disa.mil>.

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Typhoon Neoguri damage claims

Personnel that have suffered property damage or loss as a result of Typhoon Neoguri may file a claim with the AFCSC. If you suffered loss or damage to your personal property due to Typhoon Neoguri, you can file a claim if:

A. You are an active duty member, a reservist on active duty, or a civilian Employee of the Department of Defense and, you are not considered a local inhabitant of the area.

B. The property was located in your assigned or authorized quarters or, located ... on base when it was damaged.

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Gate 1 construction project

The outbound lanes of Kadena AB Gate 1 will be under construction from July 16

through Oct. 25. The inbound traffic lanes will be reduced to one lane intermittently and both outbound lanes will be closed with vehicle traffic detoured to Seely and Warfield Roads. From Sep.1 through Oct. 25, outbound traffic will be limited to one lane. For more information, call Michaelangelo Miyagi at 632-8558.

Kadena and Camp Foster emergency numbers

Kadena Fire Emergency Services would like to remind everyone to program their cell phones with the emergency numbers. To report an emergency on Kadena via cell, dial 098-934-5911, and from an office phone dial 911. For Camp Foster via cell, dial 098-911-1911 or from an office phone dial 911.

Miss Hispanic Okinawa scholarship

Miss Hispanic Okinawa is looking for contestants between the ages of 18 to 35, enrolled in higher education to participate in this year's Miss/Mrs. Hispanic Okinawa Pageant scholarship. For more information, email Carla Lauber at proudmho@gmail.com.

Kadena Housing Office New Arrivals inprocessing service hours

The Kadena Housing office inprocessing service has been changed from scheduled appointments to walk-ins. All new arrivals, active military service members and their families, may now inprocess with Kadena Housing via walk-in basis. Hours of operation are from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for Wednesday, 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the Kadena Housing Office at 634-0582.

Housing Office In-processing Sessions

The Kadena Housing New Arrivals in-processing sessions are held every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, at 8:30 a.m. hours and 1:30 p.m. at Kadena Housing Office, bldg. 217, off of Douglas Blvd. For more information or to arrange an appointment, call the Housing Office at 634-0582.

18th MDG Education & Training office hours

The 18th Medical Group Education & Training office hours has changed, to include appointments. Hours of operation: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday - Friday 3 - 4:15 p.m., Monday-Friday (Appointments Only) To book an appointment, contact 630-1994 or 18mdg.educationtraining@us.af.mil.

Voting Residents

Washington will hold its primary election on August 5. If you are registered to vote in Washington resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the Federal Post Card Application to your local election official. Forms need to be received by Aug. 5.

Florida will hold its primary election on August 26. If you are a Florida resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by July 28.

South Dakota will hold its primary runoff election on August 12. If you are a South Dakota resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by July 28.

Tennessee will hold its primary election on August 7. If you are a Tennessee resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by July 31.

Oklahoma will hold its primary runoff election on August 26. If you are an Oklahoma resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by August 1.

Wyoming will hold its primary on August 19. If you are a Wyoming resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.fvap.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. This form needs to be received by August 4.

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7/25 - 7/31

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Main Line						
Lasagna	Crispy Baked Chicken	Chicken Breast Parmesan	Chicken Breast Parmesan	Baked Chicken	Chicken Caciatore	Teriyaki Chicken
Mambo Pork Loin	Orzo Spinach & Tomato	Simmered Beef	Broccoli Quiche	Beef Yakisoba	Pacific Salmon W/ Ginger Glaze	Herb Crusted Pollock
Wild Pacific Salmon	Smoked Pit Ham	Au Gratin Potatoes	Swedish Meatballs	Baked Potatoes	Wild Rice	Yankee Pot Roast
Italian Style Baked Beans	Baked Potatoes	Jefferson Noodles	Rissole Potato	Fried Cabbage	Baked Mac&Cheese	Orzo Lemon Herb
Asparagus	Dirty Rice	Cauliflower Combo	Brown Rice w/Tomato	Corn On The Comb	Asparagus	Islander Rice
Glazed Sweet Potatoes	French Style Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots	Boston Baked Beans	Summer Squash	Peas
Gratic Sauteed Spinach	Glazed Carrots	Oriental Stir Fry	Spinach	Baked Mac&Cheese	Baked Sweet Potato	Calico Corn
Snack Line Specials						
Burritos	Chicken Nuggets	Cheese Fishwich	Sloppy Joe	Tacos	Herbed Grilled Chicken	Herbed Grilled Chicken
Beef Curry	Ravioli	Herb Grilled Chicken	Herb Grilled Chicken	Hrb Grilled Chicken	Cheese Fishwich	Corn Dogs
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Minnesota will hold its primary election on August 12. If you are a Minnesota resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.FVAP.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by August 12.

Vermont will hold its primary election on August 26. If you are a Vermont resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.FVAP.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. Forms need to be received by August 20.

Arizona will hold its Primary on August 26. If you are an Arizona resident and need to vote absentee, you may register and request an absentee ballot using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at www.FVAP.gov. Complete, sign and send the FPCA to your local election official. This form needs to be received by 7 p.m. August 26.

Detailed information is available at the following website: www.fvap.gov. *If you request your absentee ballot and do not receive it 30 days before the election use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot to vote. The form is also available at www.fvap.gov under "Get My Ballot". For more information, contact your Unit Voting Assistance Officer or the Kadena Voting Assistance Office at vote.kadena@us.af.mil.

Enterprise Solution-Supply (ES-S) User Account Validation

Due to recent system upgrades, all base Enterprise Solution-Supply (ES-S) users will be required to have a valid electronic DD Form 2875 on file within the ES-S data-

base by the end of July. Any user that does not have a valid account by Aug. 1, 2014 will have their account terminated and will have to re-establish a new account. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Jason Hill at 634-2549.

Kadena Protestant Chapel Vacation Bible School registration open

Kadena's Protestant Chapel is hosting a Vacation Bible School for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade from 9 a.m. to noon, Aug. 4 through Aug. 8. To register, visit www.tinyurl.com/kadenavbs. For more information, call Kari Johnson at 634-3661.

Unserviceable Flag Disposal

Due to the cancellation of the disposal of unserviceable American flags on Flag Day, unserviceable flags will be collected until Aug. 15 at Bldg. 3504. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Joshua Plevell at 634-9714 or 634-9085.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Introduction to Nichiren Daishonin's Buddhism

Kadena's Chapel 3 Annex will be hosting an introduction to Nichiren Daishonin's Buddhism from 7 - 8 p.m. July 28. For more information, call Mr. Tom Harter at extension (315) 634-1776 or email harold.harter@us.af.mil.

Readiness and Emergency Management blood drive

The Readiness & Emergency Management Flight will be hosting a blood drive in support of the Armed Service Blood Program on July 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at building 1461. All are welcome. For more information, email Airman 1st Class Jomar Morales-Colon at jomar.moralescolon@us.af.mil or Senior Airman Ashley Charfauros at ashley.charfauros@us.af.mil.

Banyan Tree Golf Tournament

The 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Booster Club is hosting a golf tournament Aug. 1 at the Banyan Tree Golf Course. Tee-off begins at 6:15 a.m. and the format is 4-Man Scramble with the chance to win prizes. For more information or to sign-up, email mailto:daniel.harp@us.af.mil and include a contact number.

Team Kadena's second quarter awards ceremony

Come out and support the 18th Wing and partner groups during the 2nd quarter awards ceremony on Aug. 1 at 3 p.m. on in the Keystone Theater. For more information, call Master Sgt. Timothy E. Gobble at 634-5160.

Parenting Children with ADHD

Parenting a child with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder can be challenging. As a result, parents who have a child with an existing ADHD diagnosis are encouraged to attend this informative class. It will take place on Aug. 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the 18th Medical group, Building 626, 3rd floor Tsunoda-San room. For more information, call the Advocacy Office at 634-0433.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Kadena Gift Corner needs volunteers

Kadena Gift Corner is looking for volunteers that would like to be on a list that they can email or call when they have trucks of new shipments come in. This is one of the hardest and most crucial times for the shop to be able to call on volunteers. If you are interested in helping unload, unpack, pricing, and resetting the floor at the Kadena Gift Corner please contact volunteer@kadenagiftcorner.com for more information or to be added to our list.

American Red Cross to hold "Prepare and Share Typhoon Readiness Drive"

By American Red Cross Kadena Station

7/21/2014 — During Typhoon Neoguri, strong winds and flooding devastated our area. To help new military families arriving on our island, the American Red Cross on Kadena Air Base will host a "Prepare and Share Typhoon Readiness Drive" from July 28 - August 11.

We will be collecting items to prepare disaster kits for military members and their families who have recently PCS'd to Okinawa and have yet to experience a typhoon. We are asking for members of our military community to donate items that they found helpful during the last typhoon, such as: duct tape, flashlights, work gloves, tarps, bottled water, batteries, non-perishable food items, first aid kits and anything else people thought was helpful to have on hand during the storm.

The success of this event relies on our community to come together and help others. After Neoguri, there was an overwhelming amount of kind-hearted people looking to do what they could. Unfortunately, there was not much that could be done at that time. But there is now!

The Red Cross is located in Building 6800 between Jack's Place and Gate 1 on Kadena Air Base. Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

OKINAWA CITY UPCOMING EVENTS

OKINAWA ZOO & MUSEUM SATURDAY NIGHT ZOO JUL 19 - AUG 30
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ARMY OKINAWA ACTIVITIES

10th RSG Change of Command



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Col. Leon G. Plummer assumed command as the 24rd Commander of the 10th Regional Support Group and USARJ, Okinawa during a change of command ceremony at Torii Station, July 23. Col. Plummer graduated with a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University and a Master of Science in National Security and Resource Strategy from Dwight D. Eisenhower School, National Defense University. He received his commission as a Second Lieutenant of the Ordnance Corps from the Army ROTC program at Florida A&M University. Maj. Gen. James C. Boozer presided over the change of command on Torii Station. Wishing Col. Plummer, his wife Jessica and their children continued success.

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