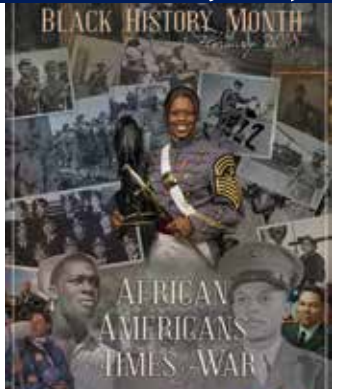


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Media organizations visit Kadena



Senior Airman Gunner Moretz, 909th Air Refueling Squadron KC-135 crew chief, explains a KC-135 to local media members Feb.13, at Kadena Air Base. The 909th ARS facilitates multiple exercises throughout Kadena Air Base's Pacific area of responsibility. Media Organizations were invited to tour the various squadrons that comprise the 18th Wing and the members of the 18 WG/PA office provided escort for them.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

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Kadena supports 26th annual Okinawa Marathon

By Senior Airman Omari Bernard

18th Wing Public Affairs

2/22/2018 — More than 600 volunteers and spectators gathered between gates 2 and 5 here Sunday to cheer on runners in the 26th Okinawa Marathon.

The first competitors that raced through Gate 2 were greeted with cheers and signs of encouragement.

Team Kadena has opened its gates for the event since 1993. When the 1st Okinawa Marathon was held, the communities around base, to include the American community supported the event in an effort to strengthen community relations.

This year's event featured three races: a full marathon, a relay marathon, and a 10k race for participants from around the world to enjoy. The full marathon route goes around the island and includes a stretch



◀ Airman Joshua Stephney, 18th Security Forces Squadron patrolman, encourages marathon runners Feb. 18, at Kadena Air Base.

▶ An Okinawa Marathon runner hydrates as supporters cheer them on Feb. 18, at Kadena Air Base.

(U.S. Air Force photos by Senior Airman Omari Bernard)

through Kadena Air Base.

"I think the marathon was cool to see," said Airman 1st Class Thomas Lerner, 18th Security Forces Squadron patrolman. "I've been here for a year now and this is my first time seeing the marathon. There were a lot of cool costumes and

people were having a great time."

Servicemembers and their families handed out water, fruit and small candy to runners as they raced through the base. Teams of first responders from Kadena's 18th Medical Group rode carts up and down the path

through the base rendering aid to injured runners as members of the 18th Mission Support Group ensured that vehicles and spectators did not disturb the runners.

"I think that allowing the marathon to run through Kadena is great, it blows my

mind to see how many people are running in the marathon," said Lerner. "Both Okinawans and Americans come together to support this event, build relations and it allows runners to see our community caring and supporting them in their event, it's pretty incredible."

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Media agencies visit Kadena Air Base to help tell our story



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Greg Erwin)
▶ Jeff Martin, Defense News video reporter, records a stand-up for a video spot Feb. 12, at Kadena Air Base.

By Airman 1st Class Greg Erwin

18th Wing Public Affairs

2/15/2018 — Media agencies visited Kadena Air Base February 12-14, to learn about Kadena's mission. Visitors included members from Defense News, based in Washington, D.C., and members from NHK, Japan's public broadcasting station.

"With the wide variety of missions and units here, we can show people who don't normally get to see this what it is like at a busy air base," said Jeff Martin, Defense News reporter.

During their visit, the agencies were able to see the 733rd Aircraft Mobility Wing, the 353rd Special Operations Group, the 909th Air Refueling Squadron, the 33rd Rescue Squadron, the 44th Fighter Squadron, and the 67th Aircraft Maintenance Unit.

"Kadena has a very diverse mission

set," said 1st Lt. Katy Blessing, 18th Wing Public Affairs media operations section chief. "We were able to showcase all of these missions to Defense News to show their readers and followers what Kadena is doing to support the Pacific Air Forces, and to support the Air Force in their mission."

Visits by outside media give an opportunity for a different perspective of the mission at Kadena and allows a better understanding for military families and civilian counterparts. Opening the Air Force world to those outside counterparts, it also allows a stronger partnership going forward for telling the Air Force, and the Kadena story.

"Visits allow us to actually see these missions take place and where they happen, as well as talk face to face with the operators," Martin said. "We also get a chance to understand things from the

Airman's perspective."

When telling Kadena's story, it's often from one set of eyes – that of the military member themselves. By having an outside source come and tell Kadena's story however, it allows another benefit that isn't overly apparent – understanding what someone perceives of the base, our operations, and even the Air Force as a whole.

"Public Affairs can tell the Air Force's story all day long," Blessing said. "To have a third-party come in and see what we're doing and be able to report on that, give a more balanced view in the opinion of a lot of our readers, I think it helps lend us credibility."

While the purpose of the visit may have been to get footage and stories for our outside counterparts, all parties enjoyed the visit and came away sharing ideas and stories and hoping to have another visit in the future.

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18th Traffic Management Office outbound keeps cargo moving



Airman 1st Class Casey Nydoske, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron Traffic Management Office outbound specialist, prepares cargo for shipment, Feb. 14, at Kadena Air Base.



Senior Airman Michael Olson, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron Traffic Management Office outbound specialist, transports cargo to a packing station Feb. 14.



Staff Sgt. Bianca Mitchell, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron Traffic Management Office outbound cargo movement traffic overseer, tapes up cargo for shipment to another installation, Feb. 14.

By Senior Airman Omari Bernard

18th Wing Public Affairs

2/15/2018 — Ever wonder how aircraft parts get shipped out from the base? The 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron Traffic Management Office ships out any cargo that needs to be sent from units on Kadena Air Base to other installations. Whether it's for resupply or repair, TMO outbound will get it there.

"It could be the smallest of objects," said Staff Sgt. Jamaal Witherspoon, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron NCO in charge of water port. "Anything from nails and screws, to aircraft engines and propellers."

Despite the ability to ship even the

smallest of nuts and bolts, according to Witherspoon, the majority of the items shipped through the TMO outbound section are for repairs.

"We ensure that parts are being shipped quickly and efficiently to ensure that units around the Air Force are able to complete their mission," said Senior Airman Garrett DeLoach, 18th LRS outbound freight journeyman.

Before any cargo is shipped out, Airmen from TMO outbound verify the asset, inspect the item for damage, and then prepare the cargo for the appropriate transportation, even constructing custom boxes and packaging if need be. TMO also prepares the items and ships

according to classification levels.

These procedures are generally used during day-to-day operations. However, the procedure changes when handling classified material.

"There is an extensive process when handling classified material," Garrett said. "We have to check to ensure the deliverers are qualified to transport the cargo, ensure our personnel are trained and have the proper clearance and verify everyone that is going to handle it at any point is certified."

The outbound section of TMO supports more than just Kadena. A key part of their mission is to also support military installations and units around the globe, including units that are deployed,

explained Witherspoon. Anything that is shipped from Kadena can affect a mission's outcome, ensuring that what needs to be sent out is properly packaged and ready to go, is critical.

Despite being so far from the U.S., Kadena Air Base has facilities that are capable of servicing, supplying and repairing equipment that make an impact on the U.S. Air Force's mission in the Pacific and also the entire globe.

"Instead of waiting for something to be repaired or replaced from the states, it could be more efficient to send that cargo from here instead," Garrett said. "The cargo we send can make the difference between mission success or mission failure."

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Navy, Army, and Air Force personnel perform en-route medical care training



Navy medical personnel from Medical Skills Training Center, 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group transfer a simulated casualty to a safety vehicle during a field training evolution Feb. 13, at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma.



◀ Navy Lt. Sarah Handy, simulation department head of the Medical Skills Training Center, 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group, explains the next steps in en-route care training to U.S. Air Force, Navy and Army medical personnel during a field training evolution Feb. 13, at Medical Skills Training Center Futenma.

By Lance Cpl. Isabella Ortega

3rd Marine Logistics Group

2/15/2018 - MARINE CORPS AIR STATION FUTENMA — U.S. military personnel with 3rd Medical Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group demonstrated Naval en-route care procedures alongside Army and Air Force personnel during a training evolution Feb. 13, at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Futenma, Okinawa.

The medical personnel simulated en-route care procedures, focusing on familiarizing and expanding joint interoperability of patient evacuation from the point of injury on the battlefield to advanced medical care at a Role Two field hospital.

Navy Lt. Sarah Handy, the simulation department head for 3rd Medical Battalion, said this course will help combat readiness in preparation for real-world scenarios. She said it shows Army and Air Force personnel the capabilities and limitations the Navy has, in order to organize further progression of care for critically-wounded individuals.

The training took place on MCAS Futenma as well as Torii Station over the course of two days. The training included treating simulated casualties with gunshot wounds, burns and shattered limbs.

Handy said this training is especially necessary for working with the Air Force critical care transport teams (C-CAT).

She said the C-CAT teams pick up the patients after the patients complete the initial round of advanced trauma care through the Role Two medical hospital.

A Role Two medical facility treats casualties with traumatic battlefield or industrial injuries and stabilizes them for transfer to medical facilities that offer a higher echelon of care. During the demonstration, a shock-trauma platoon demonstrated initial trauma care for two simulated casualties, treating them for injuries and illnesses like hypothermia before loading them into an ambulance and transporting them to a waiting CH-53 Super Stallion.

Inside the aircraft, Navy medical personnel outlined the various procedures

involved in caring for patients during air transportation, including ensuring the correct amount of medication is brought with the team on the aircraft to last the duration of the flight, as well as monitoring blood pressure and heart rate. Altitude during the flight is also a consideration for the medical teams as it could impact the patient's oxygen levels, which is specifically concerning for those patients receiving oxygen artificially.

"My favorite part was using the equipment I don't get to use very often," Handy said. "I can read and learn out of a manual or off of a PowerPoint, but this is hands on, doing the work with your feet in the dirt; this is my favorite part."

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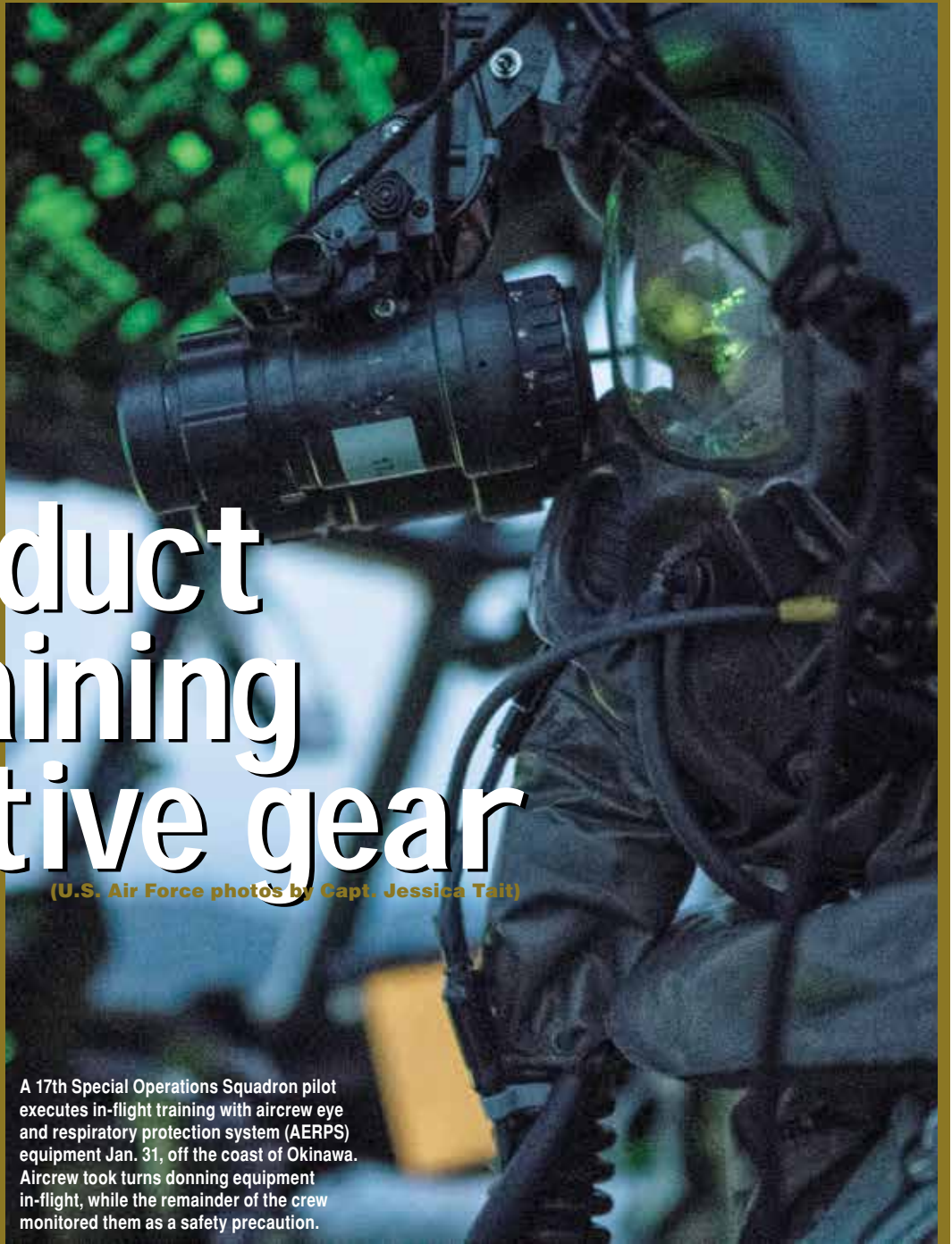
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Aircrew conduct in-flight training with protective gear

(Top photo) Two MC-130J Commando IIs from the 17th Special Operations Squadron conduct a formation training mission Jan. 31, in Okinawa. Routine flights and airdrops are conducted to maintain proficiency and training certifications for prospective missions.

(Right photo) A 353rd Special Operations Support Squadron Aircrew Flying Equipment technician assists a 17th Special Operations Squadron pilot put on aircrew eye and respiratory protection system equipment, at Kadena Air Base. The 17th SOS executed in-flight training with AERPS equipment as a part of routine Ability to Survive and Operate (ATSO) training.



(U.S. Air Force photos by Capt. Jessica Tait)

A 17th Special Operations Squadron pilot executes in-flight training with aircrew eye and respiratory protection system (AERPS) equipment Jan. 31, off the coast of Okinawa. Aircrew took turns donning equipment in-flight, while the remainder of the crew monitored them as a safety precaution.

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New policy cracks down on force deployability

By Terri Moon Cronk

Defense Media Activity

2/18/2018 - WASHINGTON

— The Defense Department has a “higher expectation” of deployability by its forces, Defense Secretary James N. Mattis said, Feb. 17.

Speaking with reporters on a return flight from Germany to Washington, the secretary said the undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness last week defined a problem that initially was brought to his attention by the Army, where “many non-deployables were on their rolls.”

Aside from combat-injured personnel who are in a separate category, Mattis said, the issue concerns service members “who are, just for one reason or another, not able to deploy with their units. It was a significant number, and the Army brought their concerns forward. The other services also highlighted [their] concerns.”

New Policy

DoD’s office of personnel and readiness has “come out with a policy that if you’re not deployable for a year or more, you’re going to have to go somewhere else,” he said.

As an example, Mattis said, if 10,000 troops out of 100,000

are not deployable, that means 90,000 deploy more often to meet the same deployment standard.

“That’s unfair,” he said.

The secretary talked about a service member who is on his sixth deployment in 11 years.

“When that sort of thing happens, that brings sharply into focus that some people are carrying more than the share of the load that I want them to carry,” he said.

“They need time at home,” Mattis emphasized. “They need time with their families. We may enlist soldiers, [but] we re-enlist families. That’s the way it is. If you can’t keep the family together, then you’re either going to lose the family or you’re going to lose the soldiers, and that’s a net loss for our society and for our military. [We] put a lot of training into people nowadays. So that policy is now out.”

Military Must Be Deployable

The secretary said as he reviewed the services’ policies, they were already strong enough, “so some of this may simply be more adherence to the current policy that we have; some of it may require an effort within the DoD, the Office of Secretary of Defense policy, that

we put out for the department now,” he added.

“But the bottom line is, we expect everyone to carry their share of the load,” the secretary said, adding, “and sometimes things happen. People bust their legs in training or they’re in a car accident. We understand that.”

But DoD comprises a deployable military, which is a lethal military that aligns with its allies and partners, he said.

“If you can’t go overseas [and] carry a combat load, then obviously someone else has got to go. I want this spread fairly and equitably across the force.”

The only exemption is for those who have been injured in combat, he noted.

“If they were wounded in combat, and they want to stay in and they’ve lost their leg or something like this, and they can’t be a paratrooper anymore, then we’ll find a place to use them. That’s a special category. They’ve earned that special status,” Mattis said.

“Otherwise, you’re either deployable, or you need to find something else to do. I’m not going to have some people deploying constantly, and then other people who seem to not pay that price to be in the U.S. military,” he said.

MCIPAC K-9 conduct narcotics training



(U.S. Marine photos by Lance Corporal Taylor P. Schwamb)

▲ Cpl. Hunter Gullick and Military Working Dog Shiva play fetch Feb. 13 at the Marine Corps Installations Pacific K-9 kennels on Kadena Air Base. Gullick and Shiva play fetch to build rapport to ensure the dog team has a strong bond. It is imperative that dog handlers build a strong relationship based on trust so the teams can effectively keep MCIPAC safe and narcotic free. Gullick is a military police officer and a dog handler with Headquarters and Support Battalion, MCIPAC - Marine Corps Base Camp Butler.



◀ Lance Cpl. Matthew Yaw and Military Working Dog Bbutler run the obedience course Feb. 13 at the Marine Corps Installations Pacific K-9 kennels on Kadena Air Base. The obedience course reinforces instant, willing obedience. K-9 units are a visual and psychological deterrent which helps keep military installations narcotics and explosive free. Yaw is a military police officer and a dog handler with Headquarters and Support Battalion, MCIPAC - Marine Corps Base Camp Butler. Bbutler’s unique name came from Lackland Air Force Base’s signature doubling of the first letter of the MWD’s name.

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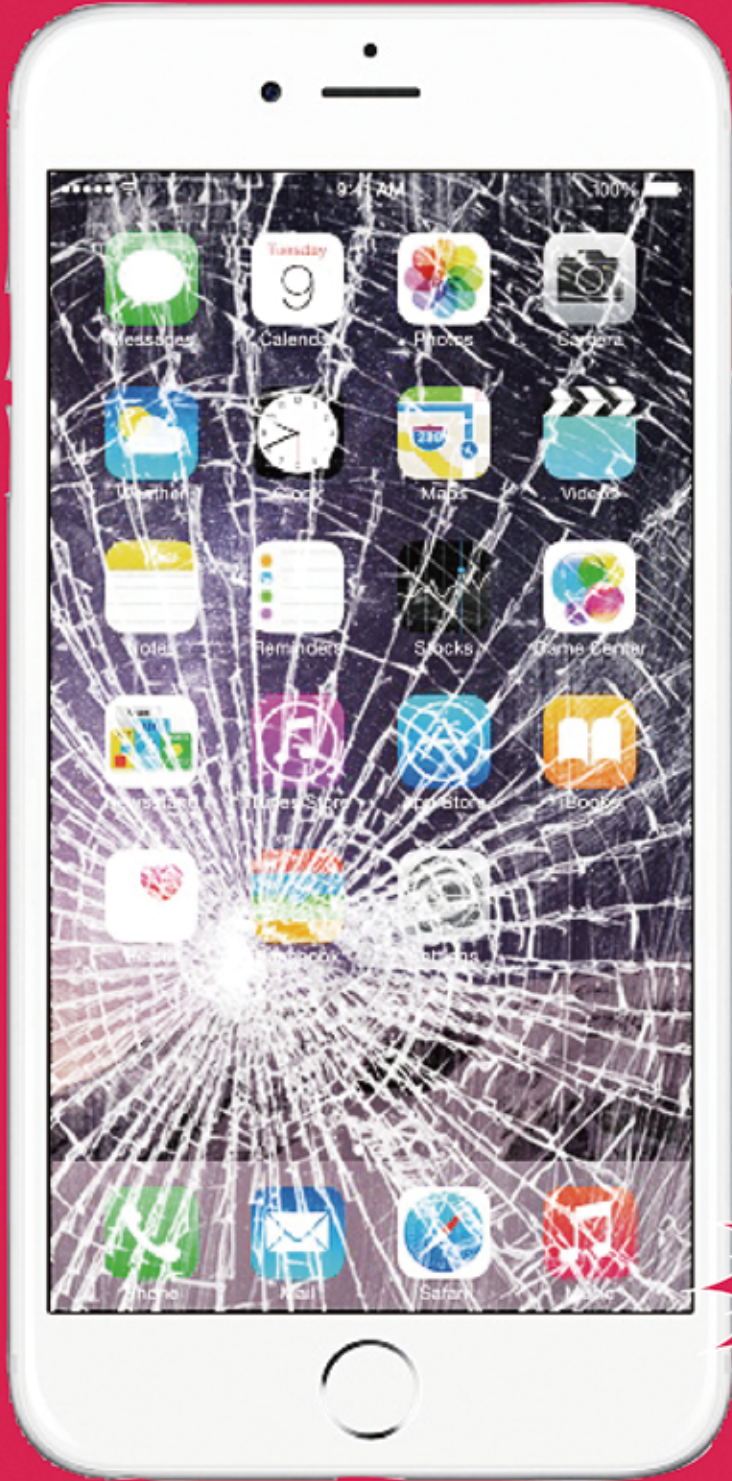
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Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group visits VP-8

Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group Rear Adm. Trey Wheeler, talks to The Fighting Tigers, during an all hands call in Patrol Squadron (VP) 8's hangar, Feb 7, at Kadena Air Base. VP 8 is currently forward deployed to the 7th Fleet area of operations conducting missions and providing maritime domain awareness to supported units throughout the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication 1st Class Jerome D. Johnson)

U.S. Navy aircraft participate in Singapore Airshow

By Task Force 73 Public Affairs

2/7/2018 - SINGAPORE — U.S. Navy aircraft are participating in the international Singapore Airshow Feb. 6-11, held at the Changi National Exhibition Center.

Crews from the Navy's P-8A Poseidon maritime patrol aircraft and an F/A-18 Super Hornet joined aircrews from the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Marines for the week-long exhibition. The Navy aircraft are forward deployed to the Indo-Pacific as part of the U.S. 7th Fleet and have routine presence across the region.

Singapore's biennial airshow provides an ideal forum for naval aviators and crews to engage with their U.S. counterparts along with aircrews from allied and partner nations from across the region and the world.

"We are honored to bring our team to Singapore to represent the U.S. Navy before an international audience of aviation professionals and partner nation militaries," said Lt. Cmdr. Karl Murray, mission lead for the crew of the P-8 Poseidon of Patrol Squadron (VP) 8. "Our time here enables us to showcase our capabilities and enhance relationships at the operator



Aircrafts sit during the Singapore International Airshow 2018, Feb. 10.

(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Sadie Colbert)

level with our friends and allies."

The Singapore airshow occurs every two years and is the largest defense exhibition and international tradeshow in the Indo-Pacific region with more than 50 nations and foreign delegations, and 1,000 defense contractors participating.

The Navy aircrews will host a variety of distinguished visitors along with industry personnel, aviation enthusiasts and partner nation military aviators during the public days of the airshow highlighting the capabilities and enduring legacy of U.S. naval aviation.

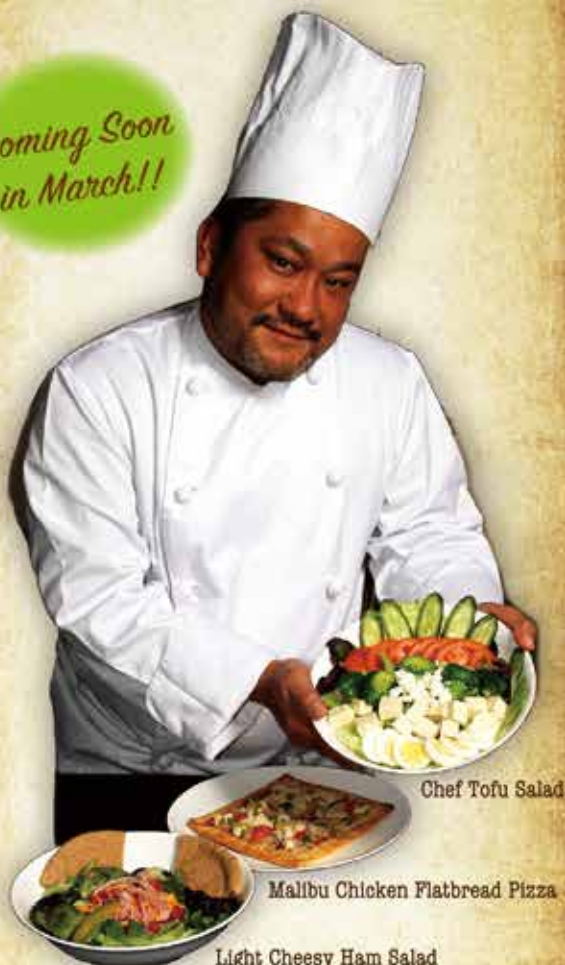
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ADR assets find new home



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Matthew Gilmore)

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Col. John Winkler, 374th Mission Support Group commander, shares ribbon cutting honors with Airman 1st Class Brianna Gonzales, 374th Civil Engineer Squadron electrical systems apprentice, for the war reserve materiel storage warehouse at Yokota Air Base, Feb. 15. The WRM storage warehouse was originally the old BXtra, undergoing a 10-month renovation to house 56 WRM assets.

Immigrant Airman forges intercultural friendships



(U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Benjamin W. Stratton)

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan — Japan Air Self-Defense Force Warrant Officer Junji Miura, left, the 3rd Air Wing command chief, Noriko Ohtani, center left, a 3rd AW U.S. Relations Section member, U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Cesar Ventura, center right, a 35th Fighter Wing inspector general vertical inspections planner, and JASDF Warrant Officer Tsuyoshi Endo, right, the former 6th Air Defense Missile Group chief and Senior Noncommissioned Officer Association president, pose for a photo in the 3rd AW headquarters at Misawa Air Base, Feb. 14. In the past four years, Ventura worked with Miura, Endo and Ohtani on numerous bilateral events bringing U.S. and Japan servicemembers closer as allies and friends. Ventura attributes his success to his Hispanic upbringing and seeks new adventures every day where he can learn something new about another's culture.

Gen. Everhart visits Hickam



(U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Redman)

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii — Maj. Joshua Clifford, 735th Air Mobility Squadron director of operations, briefs Gen. Carlton D. Everhart, Air Mobility Command commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Shelina Frey, Air Mobility Command command chief, on the recent renovations to the Passenger Terminal at Joint Base Pearl

Harbor-Hickam, Feb. 11. Everhart visited the Airmen of the 515th Air Mobility Operations Wing Feb. 6-12 to better understand how the command can enhance enroute mobility operations support and enable global reach for the joint warfighter. The 515th AMOW, located at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, oversees Air Mobility Commands enroute maintenance, command and control and aerial port support operations at 26 locations across 100 million square miles in the Pacific.

Stryker Soldiers prepare a knockout blow in Operation Punchbowl



(U.S. Air Force photo by Alejandro Pena)

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, Alaska — Soldiers assigned to Bayonet Company, 1st Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, U.S. Army Alaska, prepare for live-fire gunnery training during Operation Punchbowl at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Feb. 16. Operation Punchbowl was a battalion-level, combined arms, live-fire exercise that focused on arctic lethality.

COPE NORTH 18 personnel prepare for HA/DR execution



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Christopher Quail)

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — A U.S. Department of Agriculture Brown Tree Snake detector dog sniffs at a cargo load during exercise COPE NORTH 2018 at Rota, U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Feb. 17. An annual exercise, this year's COPE NORTH is a multilateral HA/DR exercise that allows participating nations to prepare for and recover from the devastating effects of natural disasters.

USO shows The Wolfpack will not be forgotten



(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Colby L. Hardin)

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Ko-

JOTT conducts F-35 pre-IOT&E cold weather testing at Eielson



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Isaac Johnson)

EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska - Two U.S. Navy F-35C Lightning II 5th-generation fighters sit on the flight line during pre-initial Operational Testing and Evaluation Jan. 23, at Eielson Air Force Base. All three variants of the F-35 were brought to Eielson to test and evaluate their ability to operate in an extreme cold-weather environment.

US Army Aviation Battalion-Japan flies Vice President



(Courtesy photo)

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan - Army aviators from United States Army Aviation Battalion-Japan, with their UH-60L Blackhawk helicopters, flew Vice President Michael R. Pence while on his second trip to Japan on Feb. 8. The call sign of the UH-60L became ARMY TWO when the vice president boarded the helicopter for a trip from downtown Tokyo to Yokota Air Base in the western suburbs of the city. The aviators flying the vice president were Lt. Col. Bryan Jones, USAAB-J commander; Chief Warrant Officer 4 Chris Purser; and Spc. Taylor Davis. The Army aviators had recently supported Pence's first trip to Japan last year as well as the recent trip by President Donald Trump. Pence stopped in Japan where he met Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, Defense Minister Itsunori Onodera and other government officials. At Yokota he met with an assembly of military service members, civilians and families before departing for South Korea. The UH-60s of USAAB-J are based at Camp Zama.

rea — Members from the United Service Organizations based at Osan Air Base, pose for a photo, Jan. 26. The USO visited Kunsan Air Base to hand out care-packages to the service members on base.

AF Chief of Staff meets with Andersen Airmen, shares vision during visit

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein, left, speaks to Tech. Sgt. Timothy Zacek, right, and Master Sgt. Ronald Wymer, center, both assigned to the 554th RED HORSE Squadron, during a visit to Andersen Air Force Base, Feb. 8. RED HORSE Airmen, which stands for Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational



(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alexander W. Riedel)

Repair Squadron Engineer, support the operations and training of the Andersen AFB's 36th Contingency Response Group. The unit provides cross-functional forces capable of establishing Air Force presence in potentially austere forward operating locations.

Kadena Air Base Community Notes

To submit an announcement for the base bulletin, please visit www.kadena.af.mil NO FEDERAL ENDORSEMENT OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS OR ACTIVITIES IS INTENDED.

SGLI Online Enrollment System (SOES) Implementation

On Aug. 1 2017, the Air Force implemented the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance Online Enrollment System (SOES) for the uniformed services. The Air Force's 12-month implementation of SOES will continue through July 31, 2018. During your birth month, all Airmen (officer and enlisted) will update their SGLI/FSGLI election option, validate coverage level and add beneficiary information. Also, prior to deployment, and in some instances prior to retirement or separation, if applicable. You will receive a message. More information is available at the Kadena MPS site.

Kadena and Camp Foster Emergency Numbers

Kadena Fire Emergency Services reminds 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.

AADD: Get Home Safe NOW LOCATED AT THE USO

Did you drink tonight? Made a plan but it's falling through? Can't catch a cab? If any of this applies to you, call AADD. Don't risk it all, when you can get a ride home for free. Call AADD at the cell phone number 098-961-1110 and then ask for the USO or dial DSN: 634-3889. We're open from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and we're here to help. Any questions please Email our Work Box or contact us on Facebook, Kadena Air Base A2D2. Angel Vargas, President, 090-9786-9431. Henry Huynh, Vice President 090-9785-7935. Roman Nieves, Secretary 080-6485-6464. Jared Bland, Head Scheduler 070-3135-9906. Zachary Todd, Public Affairs 080-9850-5200.

How to File a Complaint with IG

If you believe you are unable to resolve your complaint through supervisory channels, you may seek IG assistance to determine if the complaint should be filed with the IG. You can file a

complaint if you reasonably believe inappropriate conduct has occurred or a violation of law, policy, procedures, or regulation has been committed. Complete the personnel data information on an AF Form 102 and briefly outline the facts and relevant information related to the issue or complaint. List the allegations of wrongdoing briefly, in general terms and provide supporting narrative detail and documents later, when interviewed by an IG person. Allegations should be written as bullets and should answer who committed the violation; what violation was committed; what law, regulation, procedures, or policy was violated; when did the violation occur. Help is available: Call your Kadena IG office at 634-7622 for Maj. Sarabia or 634-1109 for Mr. Lovingood, or leave a message on the Kadena Fraud Waste & Abuse (FWA) Hotline at 634-0404.

18th MDG Clinic Closures

The Kadena Air Base clinic will be closed on the following dates this year:

Mar. 15 (MDG Training Day) Closed ½ Day

Apr. 19 (MDG Training Day) Closed All Day

The 18th Medical Group is responsible for ensuring the 18th Wing's medical readiness in support of the United States' and Japan's mutual interests. In keeping with this mission, the Kadena Clinic will be participating in 18th Wing upcoming exercises. During exercises, our normal patient care and clinical services (pharmacy, lab, immunizations, etc.) will be impacted, as the clinic may be closed for one day during these exercises (exact dates subject to scenario). We ask for your patience as our trusted professionals exercise their skills and work with the Wing and other agencies on island in support of these training events. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause. As always, in the event of an emergency, seek emergency services at the U.S. Naval Hospital on Camp Foster, or by dialing ambulance services at 634-1796 or by cell phone 098-934-5911. For more information, contact Capt. Jennifer Stark at 630-4565, Staff Sgt. Larissa Palmer at 630-4504, or Ms. Melissa Cook at 630-5050.

WIC Overseas Program Enrollment and Eligibility

The Women, Infants, and Children Overseas is a supplemental nutrition program designed for pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, infants and children up to the age of 5. As a WIC Overseas participant, you can receive nutrition education in the form of individual counseling and group classes, breastfeeding support, supplemental foods such as milk, juice, cheese, cereal, eggs, and fresh fruits and vegetables, and referrals to other health care agencies. For more information, check financial/residential eligibility, visit or call WIC Overseas. All of WIC can be reached at 645-WICO (9426) or from a cell phone at 098-970-9426 (Options 1- Camp Foster; 2- Kadena Air Base; 3- Camp Kinser; 4- Camp Courtney) Kadena Air Base (Bldg. 428) Camp Foster (Bldg. 5674) Camp Courtney (Bldg. 4408) Camp Kinser (Bldg. 107 Rm. 121)

18th Wing Equal Opportunity

Do you face concerns of unlawful discrimination or sexual harassment? If so, Kadena Air Base leadership maintains a strict "zero-tolerance" policy pertaining to discriminatory behavior. If you feel you are being unlawfully discriminated against, to include sexual harassment, take action. We encourage members to use the chain of command first to resolve issues at the lowest level. However, you can also contact the EO office at 634-2571 to set up an appointment; or you may visit our office. Please note that the EO office will not accept a Formal Complaint more than 60 calendar days for military and 45 calendar days for civilian complaints after the alleged offense occurred without sufficient justification.

Kadena Air Base women's softball

Are you looking to play slow pitch softball? Our women's team competes all-year round on Kadena with other local bases and there is even opportunities to play in tournaments throughout the Pacific Theater! Practices are held twice per week and is open to all active duty personnel, spouses and DOD civilians.

For more information, please contact Master Sgt. Crystal Benitez at crystal.benitez@us.af.mil

Road Cuts on Hampshire Street

Construction is scheduled Feb. 5 – April 14, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Hampshire street and an adjacent unnamed road for installation of electrical and communication conduits.

Road cuts on Kuter Blvd

Construction is scheduled Jan. 22 – March 3, from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Kuter Blvd near Bldg 507 and 302.

Kadena Dragons full contact football team is looking for players

The 2018 Kadena Dragons football team are on the hunt to repeat as USFJ-AFL champions. We are currently seeking active duty, DoD civilians, and the SOFA status dependants to join our dynasty. All positions and talent levels are welcome. Contact head coach Jermaine Baker at 080-6499-5445 or via e-mail at kadenafootball@gmail.com. Follow us on social media <https://www.facebook.com/kadenafootball>

Men's USAF Dragon Boat Looking for Members

Do you want to be a more "All Around Airman", and feel like losing weight after the new year? Come Join the Men's USAF Dragon Boat team. Practices start Jan. 22, at Kadena Marina and finish with a race through the NAHA Harbor against Military Teams and Local Nationals in May. Practice is held Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday beginning at 6 p.m. at Kadena Marina. More information is available on Facebook at: 2018 Kadena Shoguns Air Force Dragon Boat Team.

Nominations for Volunteer Recognition Awards

The Airman and Family Readiness Center (A&FRC) will host the Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on April 20, to recognize the contributions and accomplishments of Kadena volunteers in 2017. Nominations for the Volunteer Excellence

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What's Okinawa etcetera?

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Including shops selling ladies and men's wear,



kids&babies clothing, sports wear, shoes, bags, accessories, jewelry as well as general goods, you can find restaurants and cafe that offer you a place to take a rest after a long shopping around.

If you wish to find something special, then hit the road to head for Okinawa Outlet Mall Ashibinaa.





Okinawa Travel Info
Tourist information for Okinawa, Japan

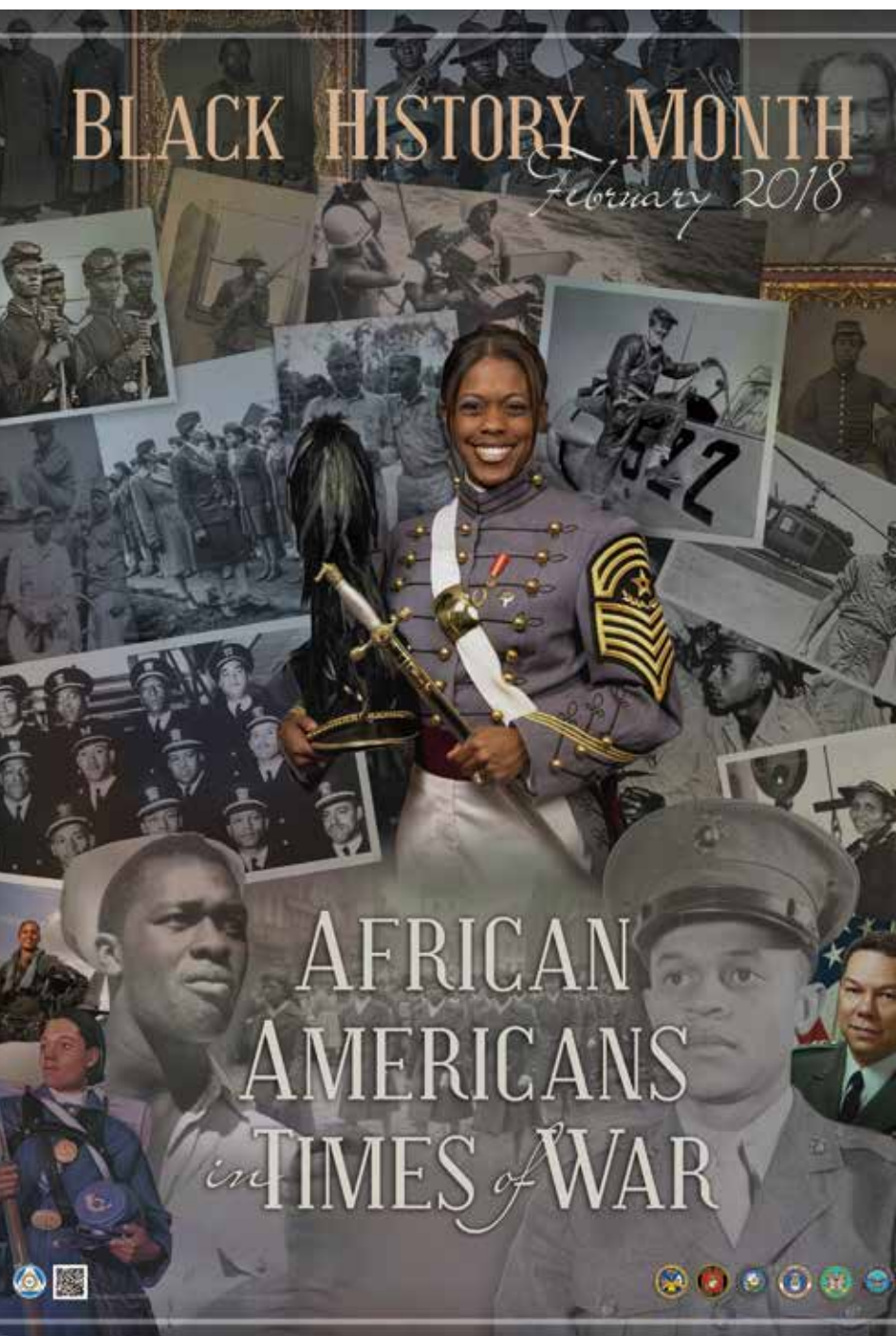
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









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February 2018



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UPCOMING EVENTS
2018 African American Heritage
Observance Month events

- Book Readings at the Child Development Centers:

Open to anyone with base access at Niko-Niko and Wakaba. Every Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. for Niko-Niko CDC. Every Thursday for Wakaba 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. *Looking for volunteers*

- "Movie Night" at the Schilling Community Center:

Open to anyone with base access at Schilling Community Center, Feb 23, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

- Breakfast Luncheon:

Open to anyone with base access at Kadena Officer's Club / Banquet Room on Feb. 26. Guest Speaker, III Marine Expeditionary Force Sergeant Major, Sgt. Maj. Mario A. Marquez.

2018 AFSA Golf Tournament

The 2018 AFSA Golf Tournament is coming up on March 7, at the Kadena Banyan Tree Golf Course. This year's event is a four member team scramble with lunch included. Start time is 6 a.m. Contact afsagolfkadena2018@gmail.com for more information or to sign up!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
Ryukyu Middle School Saturday
School Volunteering

Volunteers needed to assist Ryukyu Middle School students with school assignments. LOAs will be written and given to all volunteers. DATE(s): Feb. 24 / March 10 and 24 / April 14 and 28 / May 12 and 26 / June 2. All classes will be from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. For more information, please contact Ms. Lee Mik at DSN 634-4849 or email lee.mik@pac.dodea.edu

Native Spanish Speaking Volunteers
Needed At Kadena High School

The Kadena High School Foreign Language Department is seeking native Spanish speakers

to volunteer in some of the Spanish classrooms to interact with students in Spanish. Speakers are needed during the school day (7:20 a.m. - 2:05 p.m.) on March 9, April 20, June 1. If interested, please contact Elizabeth Elansari at 634-1216 or via email at elizabeth.elansari@pac.dodea.edu.

Seeking Volunteer Weight Trainers

The Kadena High School football program is looking for volunteers that would like to help with its weightlifting program. Volunteers would be assigned one day a week to come in and monitor the prescribed workout for correct form, effort, safety and motivate athletes through their workouts, helping students write down their weight, sets and repetitions in their logs. The students will be on a prescribed program but extra activities could be added if they finish early or feel that they could benefit from more exercises. Volunteers are needed one day per week for about 60-90 minutes per day unless the volunteer chooses to do more. The workouts would last from 1415-1545 on Mondays through Fridays. The start day is Jan. 8 and ends on May 18. This is a great opportunity for community members to earn volunteer hours and resume experience. If you are interested, please contact Coach Sergio Mendoza, at 634-1216 or via

email at sergio.mendoza@pac.dodea.edu. A volunteer packet and background check will be required.

Come Volunteer At The Wired Bean

The Wired Bean is a home away from home for

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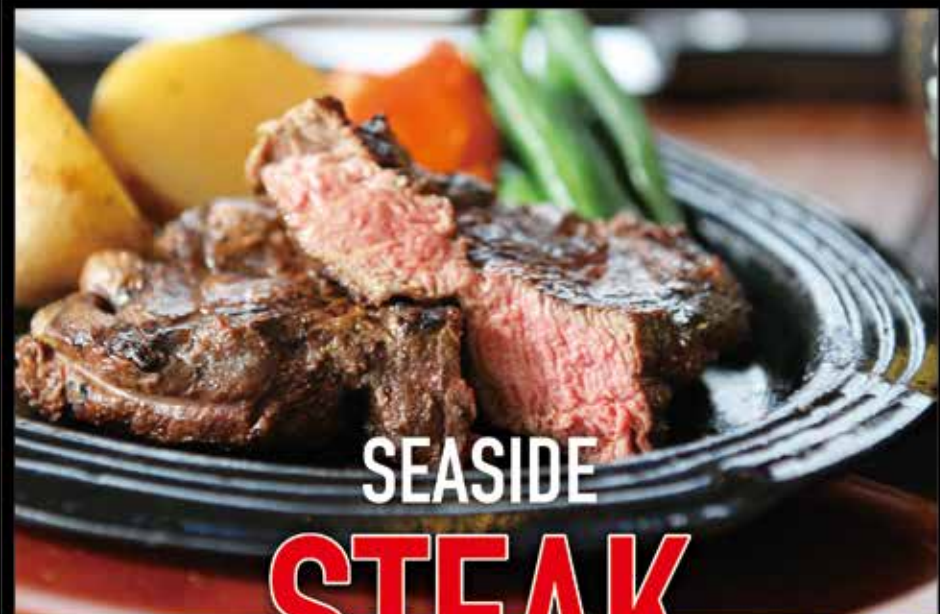





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