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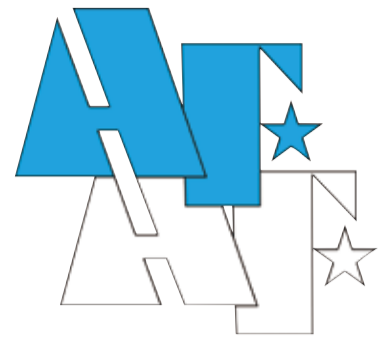
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Electronic Warfare Maintenance

(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jessica H. Smith)



A Marine with 1st Marine Aircraft Wing carries the American Flag during the Bataan Death March Memorial hike, April 7 on Kadena Air Base.

1st MAW honors U.S.-Philippine alliance

(U.S. Marine Corps photos by Sgt. Natalie Dillon)

By Sgt. Natalie Dillon

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

4/9/2018 — Since the end of the Spanish-American War in 1902, the U.S. and Philippines have worked diligently to maintain an unshakable alliance. During WWII, that alliance was put to the test when 1st Marine Aircraft Wing took to the skies in the Philippine theater to drive out the invading Imperial Japanese Army.

Now, more than 100 years after the Spanish-American War, Marines with 1st MAW took the opportunity to honor that longstanding alliance during the Bataan Death March Memorial hike, April 7 on Kadena Air Base. More than 200 service members and their families participated in the 8.5 mile hike around Kadena's perimeter in remembrance of the prisoners of war who perished as a result of the Death March that took place in the Philippine Peninsula.

On Nov. 28, 1944, 1st MAW answered the unexpected call to defend the Philippines from the invading IJA. Without pause, 1st MAW arrived and logged their first mission in the Philippine Campaign on Dec. 3, 1944.

Considered a highly qualified aerial fighting force, 1st MAW proved to be instrumental in the Philippine theater. In December alone, they flew 264 combat



Marines wait to sign into the Bataan Death March Memorial hike, April 7.

missions, which were credited with the destruction of 53 enemy vessels and aircraft. In addition, Marine Night Fighter Squadron 541, a 1st MAW asset, flew 312 missions credited with downing 20 enemy aircraft.

The Alliance produced victory after victory in the Philippine archipelago. However, not every American unit went unscathed during the campaign.

"At the start of the Bataan Death March, it's estimated that 78,000 American and Filipino Soldiers combined were present," said Evan Muckson, a deputy historian with 18th Wing. "It's believed, about a third of those men didn't make it

to the end of the march."

In the Bataan Peninsula, those estimated 78,000 Filipino and American forces included U.S. Army National guardsmen, U.S. Army Soldiers, and U.S. Marines. The IJA began the forced move of the combined force by foot and railway over 60 miles on April 9, 1942, causing the death of an estimated 5,650 to 18,000 POWs.

"Being a part of this memorial means a lot to me and my wife," said Lance Cpl. Andrew Lauer, a heavy equipment operator with Marine Wing Support Squadron 172. "I think it's important to show that we haven't forgotten those men who have

died before us."

The friendship between the U.S. and Philippines throughout history, ranging from political disagreements to the shared bloodshed during the Bataan Death March, is one that has endured the strains of hardship. Today that relationship is exercised by joint participation in combined training during major exercises such as the Philippine Amphibious Landing Exercise and Balikatan.

"We've had ties to one another for such a long time," said Muckson. "I'm hopeful that in the future both the U.S. and Philippines continue to have a good relationship."



A volunteer gives out commemorative shirts to participants before the Bataan Death March Memorial hike, April 7.

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18th LRS vehicle maintenance keeps fleet running on all cylinders



Members of the 18th Logistic Readiness Squadron apply a protective undercoat to a trailer April 3, at Kadena Air Base. The 18th LRS manages fuels, cryogenics production, materiel management, wing readiness, deployment and operations.

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



(U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Greg Erwin)



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

◀ Masakazu Miyazato, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron body repair technician, sprays undercoat paint on a new trailer April 3, at Kadena Air Base.

◀ Hiroshi Kyan, 18th Logistic Readiness Squadron airfield damage repair technician, applies a protective undercoat to a trailer April 3, at Kadena Air Base.

By Airman 1st Class Greg Erwin

18th Wing Public Affairs

4/5/2018 — When an Airman gets into a government owned vehicle, the assumption is the vehicle will start up with zero issues and be able to help the Airman get from point A to point B. What may not be known is when there's a flat tire or dead battery, the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron vehicle maintenance shop has the tools and people to help get the vehicle up and running again.

The shop is composed of both military members and contractors, including local nationals, who work on anything from

oil changes to engine replacements. The wealth of available knowledge between the Airmen and local nationals helps the shop keep up with the pace of requests, as well as dealing with the challenges of island weather and its effects on vehicles.

"Our biggest obstacle is corrosion," said Master Sgt. Brian Henry, 18th LRS vehicle management supervisor. "Our job is to keep vehicles safe and serviceable so that the mission can be accomplished."

The shop has a process called airfield damage repair anti-corrosion, or ADR, created to tackle issues of rust and corrosion that come with being in a tropical climate.

The process involves covering parts and taping off surfaces, then spraying anti-corrosion paint. Once the paint has dried, the vehicle is un-taped and cleaned ensuring the coating was applied properly.

"We are specialized and experienced in the job," said Masakazu Miyazato, 18th LRS body repair technician. "I worked in a similar job before working here and I have been at 18th LRS for 16 years. The experience is helpful in teaching the Airmen what I know, and they are able to teach me as well."

While the Airmen assigned to the 18th LRS are considered a crucial cog in the

machine in helping make sure the fleet runs on all cylinders, the backbone of the shop is often times the local nationals.

"Our local nationals are the key to the shop," Henry said. "They are the foundation that we build upon because most have been here for 15 to 20 years. That level of experience is invaluable in making sure we complete our mission."

When it comes to Team Kadena being able to roll out and roll on with their mission, one can thank the crew at the 18th LRS vehicle maintenance shop for making sure the wheels on the bus – or car or truck – can continue to go 'round and 'round.

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Chief Master Sgt. Michael Ditore

By Senior Airman Quay Drawdy

18th Wing Public Affairs

4/5/2018 — With all the stripes on their sleeves and years of service under their belts, it can be hard to picture a chief master sergeant as having been a part of the “E-4 mafia,” but each enlisted leader was once a junior enlisted Airman making his or her way through the early years of their career.

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Ditore, 18th Wing command chief, is no exception to that rule, starting his career in 1991 as a crew chief on the F-15 Eagle.

“I still consider myself a crew chief as it was one of the best jobs I’ve ever had in the Air Force,” Ditore said. “Young ‘Airman Ditore’ was always on the go and I’m very proud of my career, but it went by so fast I wonder sometimes if I was really able to soak it all in.”

While then Airman Ditore spent most of his time learning the ways of being a crew chief and, eventually, working with the U.S. Air Force demonstration team, the “Thunderbirds,” he dedicated himself to learning how to lead.

“Every unit I went to, I sat down and spoke with the chief,” Ditore said. “I would ask, ‘How do I get to where you are? What do I do and how do I be a better Airman?’ I would try and soak as much in as I could. I would also look around at all of the NCOs and senior NCOs and think, ‘That’s who I want to be like,’ and really latched onto that idea.”

Throughout Ditore’s time as an Airman, he knew he wanted to become a chief master sergeant and learned many lessons on leadership from conversations with his own leaders. Those lessons were



(U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Quay Drawdy)

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Ditore, 18th Wing command chief, sits at his desk April 3, at Kadena Air Base. Ditore began his career in 1991 as an F-15 Eagle crew chief.

put to the test, however, as Ditore moved forward with his career.

“Leadership has no rank, but the transition from senior airman to staff sergeant and becoming an NCO was one of my biggest hurdles,” Ditore said. “I used to really struggle with knowing how to deal with certain problems, especially if the person happened to be a higher rank. I just had to keep remembering my goals and prior supervisors’ advice and, like anything, practice makes perfect. Do what you know is right and be the best Airman you can be and you’ll get through.”

While developing as a leader, Ditore found his own style.

“I believe that you can’t lead someone you don’t know,” Ditore said. “The best

thing you can do, as a young leader, is get out and know the folks you’re leading and understand what motivates them because not everyone is the same. You have to build those relationships because you can’t motivate someone if you don’t know what inspires them and what their goals are.”

Setting goals for the future can provide Airmen with a guide to their own success.

“My advice to Airmen would be to write down your goals, short and long term, and keep them visible because life goes by quickly,” Ditore said. “Every Airman has the ability to create their future right now. Think about who you want to be and what you want to do, write it down and let it be your map.”

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(U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Jessica H. Smith)



◀ Airman 1st Class Anthony Allen, 353rd Special Operations Maintenance Squadron Electronic Warfare Systems apprentice prepares to work on electronic warfare systems, April 4, at Kadena Air Base. Part of his job is to ensure the maintenance of electronic warfare defensive systems.

◀ Tech. Sgt. Joshua Dungan, 353rd Special Operations Maintenance Squadron Electronic Warfare Systems craftsman works on an electronic warfare system April 4, at Kadena Air Base. Part of his job is to ensure the maintenance of electronic warfare defensive systems.

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18th SFS conducts explosive dog training



Staff Sgt. Dylan Finch, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, and his MWD, Viba, conduct a search during detection training at the Kadena Teen Center April 5, at Kadena Air Base. The MWD handlers work side-by-side with their dogs to provide base security as well as search vehicles for illegal drugs and explosives.

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



Senior Airman Carlos Howard, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, and his MWD, Kitkat, pose before detection training at the Kadena Teen Center April 5, at Kadena Air Base. Kitkat has served as a military working dog in the U.S. Air Force for more than six years.



Senior Airman Carlos Howard, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, and his MWD, Kitkat, conduct a search during detection training at the Kadena Teen Center April 5, at Kadena Air Base. Handlers and their MWDs train constantly to maintain proficiency.



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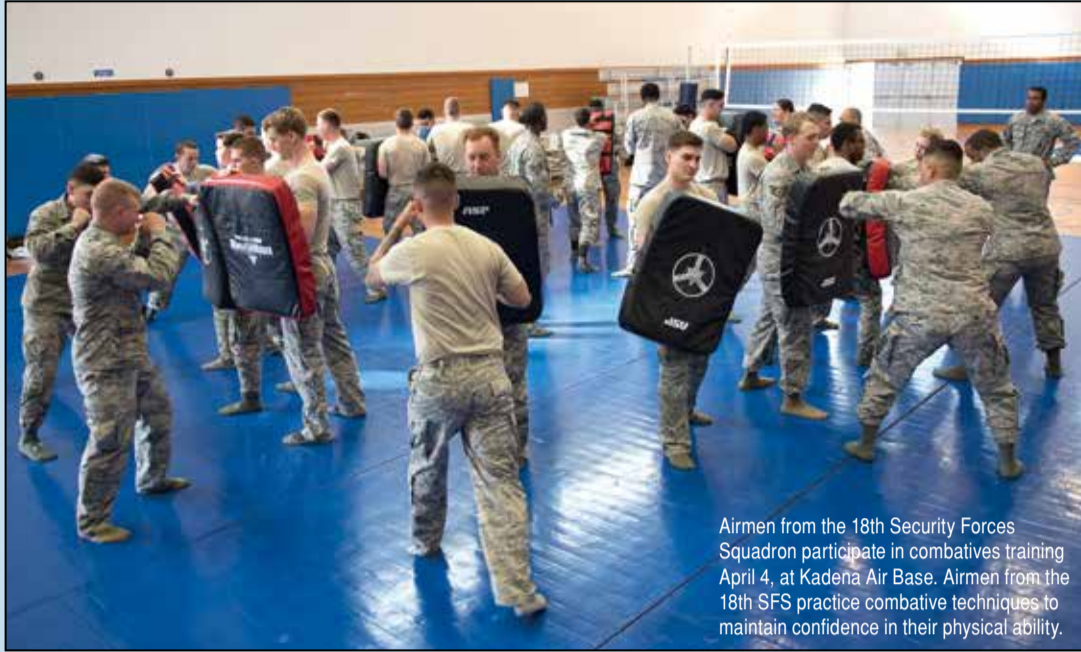
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Physically resilient physical training



Airmen from the 18th Security Forces Squadron participate in combatives training April 4, at Kadena Air Base. Airmen from the 18th SFS practice combative techniques to maintain confidence in their physical ability.

(U.S. Air Force photos by Senior Airman Quay Drawdy)



◀ Airman 1st Class Oscar Fonseca, 18th Security Forces Squadron response force member, strikes a bag during combatives training April 4, at Kadena Air Base. Practicing strikes, evasion and ground techniques help 18th SFS members stay current in their physical training requirements.



◀ Senior Airman Jared Smallwood, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, and Airman 1st Class Andrew Carothers, 18th SFS patroller, practice ground techniques during combatives training April 4, at Kadena Air Base.

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By Beth Perry

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Electronic Waste

Computers, Gaming Systems, Audio/Visual, Vacuum Cleaners, Fans, etc.

{NO APPLIANCES}

Cooking Oil



PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS

Place the following items in **clear bags** or they may not be picked up. At work, items have to be bagged separately.

- Plastic #'s 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, & 7
- Aluminum and Steel Cans
- Glass
- White Paper (Office) (if applicable)
- Mixed Paper (Magazines, Mail, Cereal/Soda Boxes, Books, Newspaper, etc.)
- Green Waste (Leaves & Grasses)

Please remove residue, lids & labels.

The following groups do not require bagging:

- Large Plastic Toys (break down)
- Auto Batteries
- Electronic Waste **{NO APPLIANCES}**
- Metal Items (remove non-metal parts)
- Cardboard (must be flattened or it will not be picked up)
- Tree Branches (must be less than 6 feet in length or they will not be picked up)

*NOTE: All items can be taken directly to the Recycle Center, Bldg. 871.

Help Stop Illegal Dumping!!!

Kadena Law Enforcement 634-2475
18 CES Service Contracts 634-0707
718 CES Environmental 634-2600

Once items are at your facility, they become your responsibility.

RECYCLE TO SAVE MILLIONS!

AT HOME IN MFH

1. Remove residue from recyclables.
2. Remove labels, i.e. paper labels from steel cans.
3. Bag recyclables in **clear bags**.
4. Place all recyclables curbside on your pick up day prior to 0800. (Please securely bundle cardboard) Towers: Place all recyclables in recycling bins in trash room. Place flattened cardboard in designated cage.
5. All recyclable items may also be dropped off at the Kadena Recycle Center, Bldg. 871.

AT WORK ON KADENA

1. Remove residue from recyclables.
 2. Bag recyclables in **clear bags**.
 3. Place all recyclables in blue recycling bins next to your facility's trash enclosure.
 4. Please separate mixed paper and white paper.
- Place cardboard in cardboard cages.
 - Place scrap metal in scrap metal bins.
 - Government equipment, pallets, and other usable items must be turned into Defense Logistics Agency, (DLA), call 637-2460 for information.

***Pick-ups stop on TCCOR-2**

MFH, take the following items to *Eagle Hardware or 718 CES Environmental Bldg. 3623*:

- Paint & excess household chemicals
- NiCad, Lithium & Alkaline batteries (battery terminals must be taped)
- Fluorescent Bulbs

Take tires, used oil, filters, and antifreeze to the Auto Hobby Shop.

Take propane cylinders, tires, used oil, filters, and antifreeze to the AAFES Service Station.

Units, take the following items to *718 CES Environmental*

- NiCad, Lithium & Alkaline Batteries (terminals must be taped), Bldg 3623
- Fluorescent Bulbs, Bldg 3623

Question about Housing pick-up schedule?

Call 718 CES Housing Facilities at 634-1427

Question about pick-up schedule at work?

Call 718 CES Environmental at 634-5425

Question/complaints about contractor?

Call 18 CES Service Contracts at 634-0707

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Household HazMat Exchange Program
 Eagle Hardware (Island-Wide) DSN: 634-3469

Units HazMat Free Issue Program
 Bldg. 3156 (Kadena)
 DSN: 634-7725

USS Bonhomme Richard arrives in Okinawa for White Beach Festival 2018

The amphibious assault ship USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6) arrives at White Beach Naval Facility in Okinawa, April 8. Bonhomme Richard is in Okinawa to cap its six years of service with Forward Deployed Naval Forces Japan and to host Okinawa citizens for ship tours during White Beach Festival 2018, which is jointly hosted by Commander, Fleet Activities Okinawa (CFAO), Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force, and Sub-Area Activity Okinawa.



(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Sarah Villegas)



Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 4 Build HM3 Bush Battle Aid Station for Marines

By Cpl. Tayler Schwamb

Marine Corps Installations Pacific

4/4/2018 - CAMP HANSEN, Okinawa

— Seabees with Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 4 dedicated the last two weeks of their deployment to the Pacific helping build the Medal of Honor Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Bush Battle Aid Station for the Correctional Custody Unit 2.0 program March 28 based at Camp Hansen.

The battle aid station is named after Medal of Honor recipient, Petty Officer 3rd Class Robert Eugene Bush. Bush was a hospital man who fearlessly braved the fury of artillery, mortar and machinegun fire from strongly entrenched hostile positions saving lives during the Battle of Okinawa. Bush disregarded his own critical condition to complete his mission, valiantly refusing medical treatment for himself until his of his patients had been evacuated. Bush actions acted as a reflection of the finest traditions of U.S. service members.

The Seabees contribution to the CCU 2.0 Battle Aid Station was a critical part of completing the CCU 2.0 mission which is: to correct the negative attitudes and motivations of junior enlisted personnel through combat conditioning, core values refresher training, and cognitive behavior change programming in order to return a disciplined, fit and capable

Marine back to their units.

“As part of CCU 2.0 we want our awardees to physically train smarter,” said Gunnery Sgt. Loren Ortiz, the staff non-commissioned officer in charge of the CCU 2.0 with Marine Corps Installations Pacific. “We have developed and put together the Intelligent Warfighter Compound. It is a composition of five different stations that work together in conjunction to develop the warfighting skills of shoot, move and communicate. With that being said we need a medical aid station on hand. That is what the Seabees are working on right now. This medical aid station serves a dual purpose besides just the safety aspect. It also is going to be utilized for training and education, as well as where the Marines will come together and they will learn tactical field care and other medical aid treatment capabilities that is related to warfighting.”

NMCB 4, based out of Port Hueneme, California, is currently deployed to Okinawa, Japan, utilizing their expertise in steel work and construction to build state-of-the-art infrastructures. The Seabees were a crucial part of the construction of the medical aid station for the program, insuring that Marines awarded correctional custody will be safe, healthy and well educated.

“I feel like the CCU 2.0 is a great idea,” said Petty Officer 2nd Class Scott Roberts,



(U.S. Marine photos by Cpl. Tayler P. Schwamb)

^ A Seabee adjusts support beams for the Medal of Honor Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Bush Battle Aid Station for the Correctional Custody Unit 2.0 program March 28 aboard Camp Hansen.

> A Seabee cuts metal for the Medal of Honor Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Bush Battle Aid Station for the Correctional Custody Unit 2.0 program March 28.

a steel worker and project lead with NMCB 4. “It gives them a second chance so they get back in the fight, gives them some extra motivation to move up in the ranks and try harder. Working with the Brig Marines has been the highlight of this whole six months, our whole deployment.”



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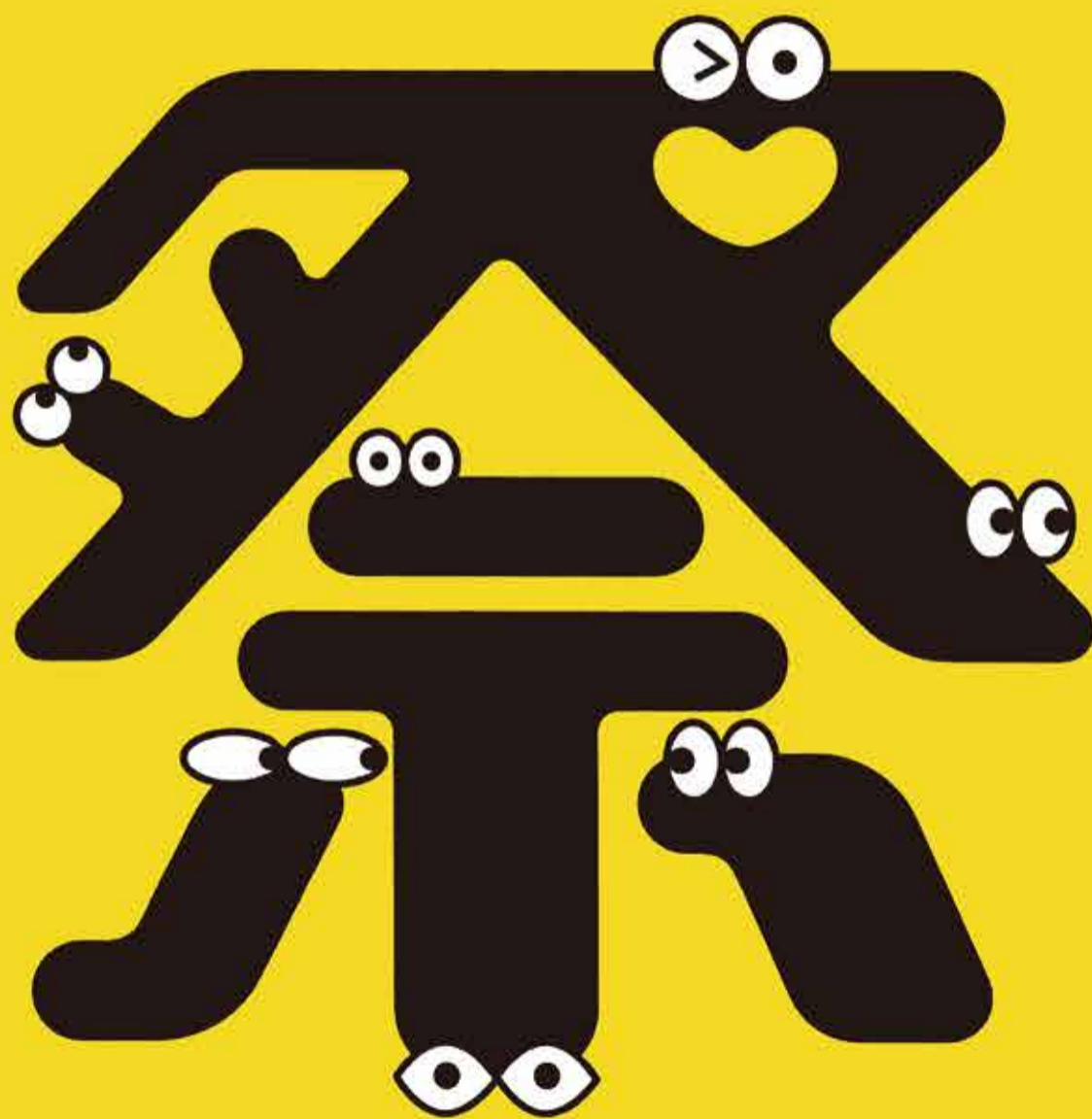
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U.S. Army provides animal care, surgeries in Yap during Pacific Partnership 2018

By Commander, Logistics Group Western Pacific

3/31/2018 - YAP, Federated States of Micronesia — Two U.S. Army veterinarians and an animal care specialist conducted surgeries on dogs and cats and shared knowledge and practices with local volunteers during Pacific Partnership 2018 in Yap, Federated States of Micronesia, March 26-29.

Veterinarians Capt. Adam Boe from Fort Shafter Hawaii, Capt. Trevor Tenney from Naval Base Yokosuka, and animal care specialist Spc. Diamond DeWindt from Kadena Air Base provided vaccinations and conducted spay and neuter surgeries to nearly fifty animals.

"There are no practicing veterinarians in Yap," said Boe. "The U.S. Army is the only branch of service with clinical veterinarians, and we are honored to be here in Yap working side-by-side with local professionals."

Prior to conducting surgeries on March 23, the three veterinarians met with volunteers from the Yap Animal Protection Society (YAPS) to discuss about basics of first aid, euthanizations, preventative medicine, zoonotic diseases, animal

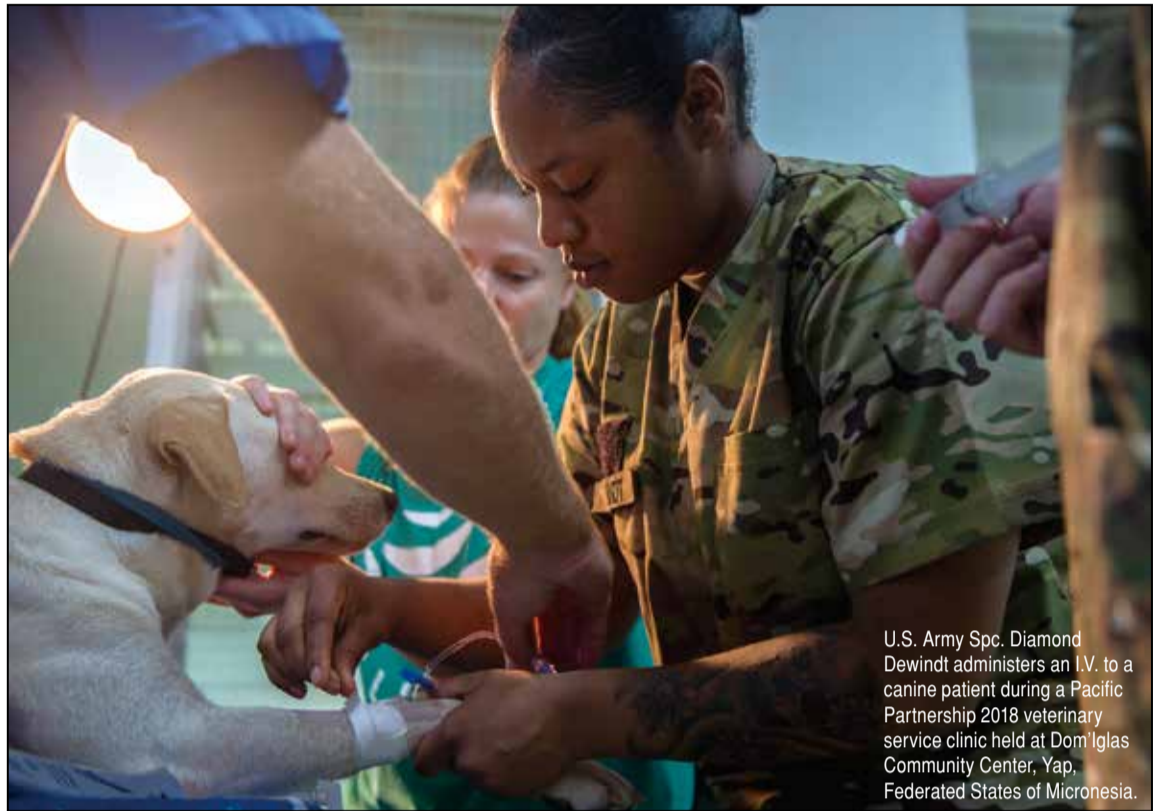
husbandry and other common animal diseases.

"YAPS consists of nearly twenty volunteers dedicated to bringing veterinarians from nearby countries through donations and fundraising campaigns," said Tenney. "YAPS is a great resource, and we realized that by sharing techniques and practices, YAPS volunteers will be able to better assist veterinarians during surgeries."

As part of the Pacific Partnership 2018 mission to provide sustainable practices in Yap, the veterinarians shared knowledge to improve and increase efficiency of food production from chickens and pigs through discussions on nutrition, housing and medical care.

"As the animal care specialist, Spc. DeWindt's expertise in these areas was truly appreciated by YAPS," said Boe. "Spc. DeWindt encounters every aspect of animal care, and she is a vital member of our Pacific Partnership team."

The veterinarian team also participated in the Community Health Engagement (CHE) at the Yap Memorial Hospital as part of a team of more than 35 Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen from U.S., United Kingdom, Australia and Japan.



U.S. Army Spc. Diamond DeWindt administers an I.V. to a canine patient during a Pacific Partnership 2018 veterinary service clinic held at Dom'Iglas Community Center, Yap, Federated States of Micronesia.

(U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Caledon Rabbipal)

"The most important aspect we, as visiting veterinarians, can do is to provide the necessary education to the local community about animal care so that the knowledge and experiences we share together during this year's Pacific Partnership will last well into the future," said Tenney.

The U.S. and the Federated States of Micronesia continue a long history of friendship, having participated in the Pacific Partnership mission as host nation for five years with many Micronesia men and women having served or currently serving in the U.S. armed forces.

Since 2006, 22 partner nations

around the globe in 18 host nations have participated in Pacific Partnership providing medical care to more than 300,000 patients, veterinary services to nearly 40,000 animals and completed nearly 200 engineering projects while building meaningful and close partnerships throughout the region.



New Sandwich Menu

Weekly Gourmet Sandwich Features

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2018 Kadena Summer Hire Program

The Kadena APF Summer Hire Program is back! This year, the program will run from June 25 through August 17. Clerk and Laborer positions will be available at various activities on Kadena Air Base. Hours of work will be Part-time (20hrs/week) earning \$6.00PH. If interested, applicants must apply online through USAJobs. The Civilian Personnel Flight is unable to accept printed resumes.

Eligibility:

- SOFA dependents (age 14 through 22 by

June 20) of DoD military and US appropriated or non-appropriated fund civilian employees assigned to the overseas installation are eligible to participate.

Note:

- Dependents of Red Cross employees, DoD Contractors, BX concessionaries, Military banking facilities, USO locally hired appropriated/non-appropriated civilians, or University personnel are NOT eligible to participate in this program.
- 21-22 year olds must be enrolled full-time in an accredited college; transcripts required as supporting documentation.
- Must be available for the entire duration of the summer employment program.
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Kadena Air Base Community Notes

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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. Also if you would like to volunteer please click on the Link below! We're open from 9 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: Apr. 19 (MDG ½ Training Day) Closed at 12 p.m. / May 17. (MDG ½ Training Day) Closed at 12 p.m. 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.

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.

Finance Office Closure

The Finance office will be closed the third Thursday of every month for training. For emergencies please call 080-6487-6969.

Housing Office Closure

The Kadena DoD Family Housing Office, Camp Kinser Office, Camp Courtney Office, Camp Foster, Furnishing Management Section and Furnishing Management Section Self-Help and Appliance Repair will be closing for an official function on Wednesday April 18. For emergency assistance, please contact 634-HOME (4663).

Financial Readiness Planning

Schedule an appointment with a Certified Financial Planner to discuss financial goals, budgeting, and investing (TSP/BRS). Contact the Airman and Family Readiness Center (Bldg. 220) at 634-3366.

Dependent ID Online Renewal Process

Beginning April 1, the Customer Support Office will be offering a Dependent ID Online Renewal Process. Dependents will be able to apply online and take their own photo at home. Process includes:

1. Complete application online
2. Sponsor completes DD Form 1172
3. Dependent will gather required documentation and submit online
4. Customer Support has 7 to 10 duty days to process
5. Customer Support will contact member once complete and ready for pick-up

Instructions and forms can be found at <http://www.kadenafss.com/career/military-personnel-section/>

Kadena Pharmacy Drug Take Back Day

Do you have unused or expiring medications? Come turn them in on Drug Take Back Day, on April 18! Just walk into Kadena's Pharmacy Lobby and drop off your old medications...It's that easy! The volunteers at the table will take care of the rest.

Fingerprinting Services

Fingerprinting services at the 18 WG/IP office is by Appointments ONLY. Appointments available every Tuesday and Thursday, from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. for individuals submitting security clearances, child care employees, Nurses, DECA, Red Cross, Chapel, Vet Clinic, Youth Services, VA, Navy, Army and from 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. for DoDEA(teachers) individuals. Please call DSN 634-1657 or 634-0989 to make an appointment. Fingerprinting locations are as follows: Camp Foster: building 5642, S-3 Office, 645-2390 (Next to Vehicle Registration building), building 5699, IPAC, 645-4337, and building 496 PMO, 1st floor through the Customs Section, 645-3885 (Near Legion Gate) Torii Station: building 228 PMO, 644-4715 (After Torii Main Gate, building on right at 4-way) (ink only) Kadena Air Base: Northside by Gate 4, building 3554, 2nd Floor, room 235, 634-6297 (electronic FP only) and b705, 2nd Floor, room 215.

2018 Kadena AF AF Campaign

The Wing's 2018 Air Force Assistance Fund Campaign will run from March 30 - May 11. We have a \$98,936 goal. Contact your group or unit representative to donate. The AF AF supports Airmen and their families through four charities: Air Force Aid Society, Air Force Villages, Air Force Enlisted Villages and the General & Mrs. Curtis LeMay Foundation.



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To enjoy Okinawa to its fullest, exploring the isolated islands both big and small that make up the prefecture is a must. Ie Island is definitely one to visit in early spring, from the end of April through to May, and can be accessed by a 30-minute ferry ride from Motobu Port, close to Chuhara Aquarium in the northern part of the main island.

This remote island is also famous for having a mountain shaped like a hat, known as Shiroyama (Tatchu).

Ie Island is a quiet place with a population of less than 5,000 people, yet every year in Golden Week it draws in crowds of visitors from both around Okinawa and further afield. During these 2 weeks, the Ie Island Lily Festival takes place and roughly 40,000 people are expected to visit from the main island. Extra ferries will be running, with tickets available to book in advance.

The Lily Festival on Ie Island is Japan's earliest, and here visitors can find not only pure white



Easter lilies, but also 90 other varieties of plants with 1 million flowers blooming in different colours. During the festival, a sweet scent sweeps over the whole island.

The panorama of the sea and the sky spreading out behind the vast lily field can also be seen from the small observation deck, and various stalls are set up during the festival. There are also plenty of other events such as traditional dancing which will take place on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays.



Okinawa Travel Info

Tourist information for Okinawa, Japan

<http://okinawatravelinfo.com> Like Okinawa Travel Info



AFVEC Unavailable April 13-18

The Air Force Virtual Education Center will be unavailable April 13 - 18. Members may apply for TA from 45 to 7 days prior to the course start date. The Education Office will not have access to create TA applications for members who did not apply prior to the outage. Members must plan accordingly. For more information contact the AFVEC at 634-1500.

Patient Advisory Council

The 18th Medical Group is forming a Patient Advisory Council to improve patient safety, processes, and services. We are currently recruiting voting members. The council will meet once a quarter and is open to all empaneled Kadena Clinic patients (active duty, dependents, and retirees.) Call DSN 630-4146 or email KadenaPatientAdvocate@us.af.mil for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kadena 5/6 Club General Meeting

Come down to the Kadena O-club every third Thursday of the month for the 5/6 club's monthly meeting! Guest speakers include members of the Top 3, base leadership and your peers from around the island. This month's meeting (April 19) will feature our very own "DSD Roadshow" for all your DSD questions. Free breakfast included! For more information, please contact Staff Sgt. Andreas Rodriguez at DSN 634-5602.

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Softball Tournament

The "Knock Sexual Assault Outta the Park" 2018 Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month Softball Tournament will be held April 14 and 15 (Rain Day), 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Kadena Four Diamonds Fields.

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Golf Tournament

The Kadena Sexual Assault Prevention Association is hosting a golf tournament from 7 a.m. to 1p.m., on April 20 at the Kadena Banyan Tree golf course to help support Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month 2018. Grand prizes for 1st and 2nd place teams will be awarded, as well as other games/prizes for all. Register at <https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/index.cfm?i=376550&k=0166440C7E57>

Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Hope Glows 5K Color Run

The Kadena Sexual Assault Prevention Association is hosting a 5K Color Glow Run to help support Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month 2018 from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., April 28. The first 200 participants registered will receive a T-Shirt. Prizes for 1st - 3rd place. To register, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-hope-glows-h2glows-5k-color-run-tickets-41414989348>

Give Kids a Smile

The 18th Dental Squadron is hosting "Give Kids A Smile" on Monday, April 23 from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Kadena Clinic. Pre-Registration begins on April 16. Call the Pediatric Dental Clinic front desk at 630-4260/4902 or 098-960-4260/4902. There will be face painting, a selfie booth, a hula hoop contest, and a visit from the tooth fairy in addition to dental exams, cleanings, and education.

Air Force Assistance Funds' Airfield 5K Run

The Wing's 2018 Air Force Assistance Fund Airfield 5K Run will be April 29 from 7 a.m. - 9 a.m. The event will start at the intersection of Fisher Ave and Roberts Ave on Kadena Air Base. There will be a taxiway light desk lamp prize for the 1st place winner. No registration required. Open to all services and host nation personnel with base access. Donations are appreciated! Contact Master Sgt. Dustin Troyer or Tech. Sgt. Evangeline Evanzia with any questions.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES 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 2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. 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.

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): 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

Come Volunteer at The Wired Bean

The Wired Bean is a home away from home for our junior enlisted and we need E-4s and above to volunteer to monitor the facility and check out equipment. Please sign up using the link below or email Melissa Rafferty for more information at rafferty515@yahoo.com.

Native Spanish and French Speaking Volunteers Needed at Kadena High School

The Kadena High School Foreign Language Department is seeking native Spanish and French speakers to volunteer in some of the classrooms to interact with students in Spanish

and French. Speakers are needed during the school day (7:20 a.m. - 2:05 p.m.) on April 20 and June 1. If interested, please contact Elizabeth Elansari at 634-1216 or via email at elizabeth.elansari@pac.dodea.edu.

Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) Day

Bob Hope Primary School is looking for volunteers to assist children during a STEAM day on Friday, Apr. 20, from 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. to promote Creativity, Critical Thinking & Problem Solving, lead or help with hands-on learning stations and activities. UOD fine, LOA provided. For more information, contact Deborah Fussell at Deborah.fussell@pac.dodea.edu

"Space-The Final Frontier." STEAM Night

Stearley Heights Elementary School is looking for volunteers to assist with setting up the activity, serve as science fair judges, assist with demonstrations, and help with clean-up at the end of the night on April 20, from 4 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. Business casual dress, LOA provided. For more information, contact Sara Hill at Sara.hill@pac.dodea.edu

Lego Robotics Club

Kadena Elementary School is in need of consistent volunteers to assist students with programming Lego EV3 Robots on Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:25 am. UOD fine, LOA provided. For more information, contact Jilleane Beard-Archie at jilleane.beard-archie@pac.dodea.edu

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Be quiet. As Japanese people think a quiet environment is needed for patients, speaking loudly or laughing out loud could be frowned upon and perceived negatively. Always follow the rules of the provider, especially during an inpatient stay. For example, observing visiting hours and honoring lights off time.

Saying "**Hello/Konnichiwa, Excuse Me/Sumimasen, Thank you/Arigato**" are always appreciated by providers or just a simple **bow** would also work. Demonstrate **respect** for those you come in contact with.

Be mindful of where you can use **your mobile phone**. Your mobile phone should be set at "**manner mode**," meaning set on vibrate or silent. Talking on the mobile and/or use of your mobile phone may be restricted. All hospitals and clinics should have **signs displaying rules** and preferences. You can download a useful guideline of **mobile usage rules** at Japanese medical facilities here: www.emcc-info.net/info/pubcom2/2608_5.pdf

If you have **other health insurance (OHI)** including **Japanese National Insurance (JNI)**, it must be declared using the OHI form available here: www.tricare-overseas.com/beneficiaries/claims/other-health-insurance. For **JNI holders**, please remember to take the card to the appointment. For all **other beneficiaries with OHI (except JNI)**, please prepare to **pay upfront** and submit a claim for reimbursement.

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DON'T

Do not be late for your medical appointment. If you arrive late, you cannot be seen by the provider right away, even with an appointment. **If you need to cancel your appointment, notify International SOS or the provider as soon as possible.** "No shows" can be one of the biggest causes of damaging a good relationship with providers in Japan.

Do not raise your voice or yell.

Do not point fingers at people.

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