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Heads Up Yokosuka!
Community announcements/Action line

Theater Closures – Morale, Welfare and Recreation is installing new carpet at the Fleet Theater and Benny Decker Theater. Each theater will be closed as scheduled below:

- Fleet Theater: Oct. 15-19
- Benny Decker Theater: Oct. 22-26

Kinnick High School (KHS) Red Ribbon "Zombie Ball" – KHS has scheduled a Red Ribbon Zombie Ball Oct. 30 at the Benny Decker Theater from 2:45-4 p.m. Music to be provided by the KHS Band and the 7th Fleet Band the Orient Express. Come as a zombie and wear red to show your support of choosing a drug free life.

The Personal Property Shipping Office (PPSO) Closure – The PPSO will be temporarily closed from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for a departmental function Oct. 26.

U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Yokosuka Voice of the Customer (VOC) groups – What do you think of USNH, Yokosuka? USNH, Yokosuka will be conducting Voice of the Customer (VOC) groups at USNH, Yokosuka Nov. 13-14. The purpose of the VOC groups is to determine the following:

- Areas in which the hospital excels
- Areas in which the hospital can improve
- What is important to our beneficiaries

The VOC groups will be conducted in an informal "round-table" discussion format. Participation is open to active duty personnel and their family members as well as retirees, their family members, and civilian pay patients. Prior registration is required, and seats are limited.

The VOC groups are scheduled as follows:

- Tuesday, Nov. 13, 9-10:30 a.m., for active duty enlisted and family members
- Tuesday, Nov. 13, 1-2:30 p.m., for retirees and family members
- Wednesday, Nov. 14, 9-10 a.m., for active duty officers and family members
- Wednesday, Nov. 14, 3-4:15 p.m., for civilian pay patients

To participate in a VOC group, one must meet the following criteria:

- Is a current eligible beneficiary of USNH, Yokosuka
- Has been seen at USNH, Yokosuka in the past six months
- Is NOT a USNH staff member or a family member of a staff member

The VOC group meetings will not be open to the media or the general public. Anyone interested in participating in the VOC groups can contact the USNH Yokosuka Customer Relations Office at 243-8627, or email customer@med.navy.mil. Registration deadline is Nov. 2.

Holiday Season Mailing Deadlines – To ensure your delivery of holiday cards and packages by Dec. 25, mail by dates below:

• Parcel post	Nov. 13
• SAM parcels	Nov. 26
• PAL parcels	Dec. 3
• First class letters/cards	Dec. 10
• Priority mail (more than 13 oz)	Dec. 10
• Express mail	Dec. 17

Attention All Newcomers – Personnel Support Detachment (PSD) Yokosuka operates by an "appointment-only" service system. This system serves the needs of PSD's growing customer base by ensuring all documentation is completed prior to customers' arrival. The goal is for customers to make one and only one trip to PSD for a given set of transactions. All personnel are required to utilize the appointment system via their Command PASS Coordinators (CPCs), who are responsible for scheduling members' appointments via the PSD appointment line. *USS George Washington* (CVN 73) Sailors and family members requiring pay/personnel services should contact the *GW* Admin Office or Patriot's Landing at 243-9900. All other family members desiring services but whose sponsors are deployed should contact the FAST Office at 243-7966. As exceptions, PSD Admin 8 a.m.-4 p.m., ID Cards 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Government Passport Office 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. and Cash Cage 9 a.m.-12 p.m. operate on a walk-in basis. CPCs have walk-in privileges at any time for any section during normal working hours. Welcome aboard and thank you for your service in Japan.

Road Construction on Route 16 Near Carney Gate – The City of Yokosuka will be repairing a damaged pipe on Route 16 from Oct. 23-29. Carney Gate outbound lanes will closed and outbound traffic will be diverted to inbound lane 3 from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

2012 Flu Immunization Clinics – U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka has scheduled three separate seasonal influenza (flu) immunization clinics on board Fleet Activities, Yokosuka and its housing detachments in Ikego and Negishi ahead of the upcoming flu season. The clinics will immunize family members, civilians and contractors who are eligible for care at the hospital. Active duty service members will be immunized during command specific clinics. Immunization remains the best method to prevent both catching and spreading the flu. As was the case last season, this season's immunization includes protection against the two most common strains of seasonal flu as well as the H1N1 virus.

- **Yokosuka**
  Date: Oct. 25, 2-7 p.m.
  Place: Kinnick High School Cafeteria

The immunization will be available and administered in both the nasal spray FluMist® and the traditional "flu shot." The "flu shot" is given with a needle, usually in the arm. FluMist® is a nasal spray approved for use in healthy people two to 49 years of age who are not pregnant. Most beneficiaries between ages two and 49 will receive the Flumist® unless the person does not qualify due to an allergy or medical condition.

Halloween

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Halloween will be soon upon us, as can be seen by the costumes and decorations on sale. For many, including myself, it is the most fun holiday out of the year. When else can you get together with many friends and dress up in ways that would get you strange looks any other time of the year and in some cases potentially arrested? There is nothing like the look on the faces of all the children who come to the door for trick or treat when a house is well decorated and they receive their goodies.

Here at Fleet Activities, Yokosuka (FLEACT, Yokosuka), we get to reach out and show our culture to the local community as well. We invite many folks from the local community as guests to come enjoy the trick or treat event. Many of the adults are dressed up just as much if not more than their kids. We also share some of our own unique spooky stories, like the ghosts that hang out in Gridley tunnel or in my house. I have yet to meet the one in my home, but this might be the year and time for her to make her appearance. It is rumored that she is pretty good looking, or at least I hope so (smile).

Halloween is one of the greatest and best known party holidays on the western calendar, ranking third behind New Years Eve parties at number one and Super Bowl parties at number two. In terms of business, Halloween ranks right behind Christmas in the amount of money people spend to celebrate. Halloween is a fun secular holiday enjoyable to anyone despite their personal cultural or religious beliefs. This yearly celebration and the fun of wearing costumes will be part of this culture for a long long time.

Let's ensure that here at FLEACT, Yokosuka, our Halloween does not get ruined by some careless or dangerous actions. Be extra vigilant when driving on the base the evening of Oct. 31, for many excited little ghosts and goblins might not be paying full attention to vehicles while going from house to house to collect their candies. Even though children's costumes might portray the supernatural or superheroes that can't be harmed by mortals, we should remember that the actual children in these costumes can still be harmed. Stay safe and let's have a great Halloween.