Members of Puget Sound Naval Shipyard (PSNS) and Intermediate Maintenance Facility take time out every Sunday to clean around the main gate of CFAY and surrounding areas. Approximately 20 to 30 PSNS members participate in the weekly beautification efforts that includes sweeping and washing down the pedestrian overpass, cleaning windows and picking up cigarette butts and other debris.

Photo by Dan Vogel

Marines of 1st Fleet Antiterrorism Security Team (FAST), 3rd Platoon Marines practice knife attack techniques during platoon martial arts training at CFAY Berkey Field Feb. 10.

Photo by Mark Elrod

CS3 Eteinne Mendizabal of CFAY prepares his 2008 Federal and State taxes via the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) self-help program Feb. 10. VITA volunteers within the base community guide Sailors and civilians through the sometimes-complicated tax process.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Barry Hirayama

Students from Monica Maravilla's first-grade class at The Sullivans School obey their teacher's request to "drop anchor" at Starlight, the school's mascot, when walking through the school hallways. Starlight signs provide a visual for a stop and wait point.

Photo by Megan Cullen

Byrd Elementary School fifth-grade students Allyson Poe and Bryce-Anthony Edmonson practice writing Japanese kanji characters during a Japanese Culture class Feb. 6.

Photo by Nancy Turner

Commander U.S. 7th Fleet Vice Adm. John M. Bird greets Vice Adm. Tohru Izumi aboard *USS Blue Ridge* (LCC 19) Feb. 3. Bird hosted Izumi, Japan Self-Defense Fleet's commander in chief, as *Blue Ridge* got underway for a scheduled deployment. Bird and Izumi later disembarked the ship aboard Black Beard 02, an SH-60F Sea Hawk assigned to Helicopter Anti-submarine Squadron Light 51.

U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Matthew Schwarz

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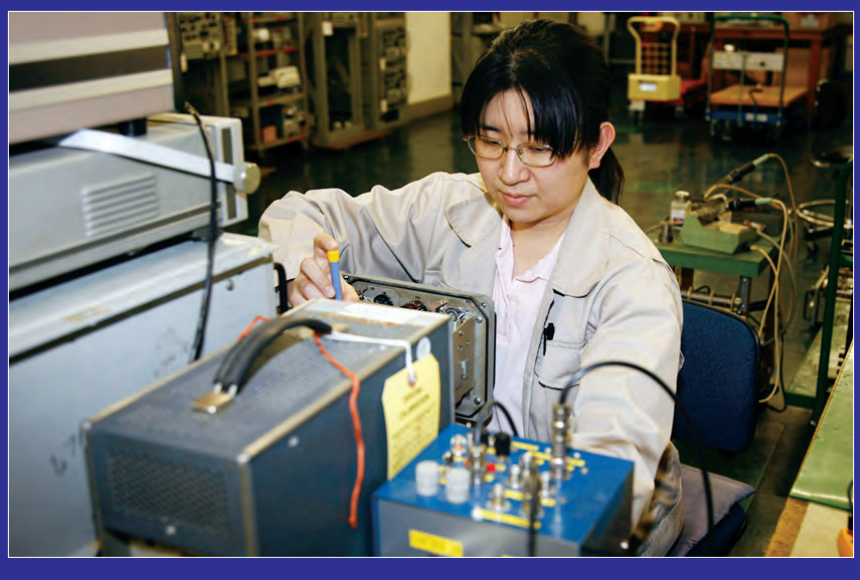

SRF-JRMC Electronics shop communication section worker Ayumi Kawaguchi repairs a transmitter for *USS Denver* (LPD 9).

Photo by Yuji Kawabe

Where is your hometown?	Sasebo, Japan.
How long have you worked on base?	19 years.
What is your favorite food?	Udon noodles.
What is your life goal?	To live surrounded by nature after I retire.