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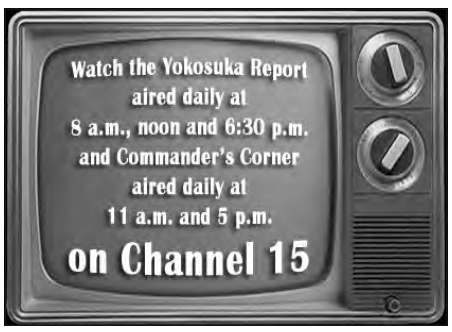

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Community announcements/Action line

Rickert Drive Tunnel Repairs – The tunnels on Rickert Drive will be under repair until Aug. 9. Usage will be reduced to single lane, two-way traffic during the day with total tunnel road closure in the evenings from Feb. 26 to May 17 and July 13 to 31. Alternate routing of traffic during the evening will be provided. Stock Yard area parking will be secured. Temporary fleet parking will be provided by Gridley Tunnel exit. Call Public Works Department Lt. Andrew Cline at 243-5062 for more information.

Traffic Advisory – Clement Boulevard will be reduced to one lane between McCormick Street and Kauffman Street from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 1 to April 1. Traffic controllers will direct traffic during this repair period. Clement Boulevard will be open to two-lane traffic after 6 p.m. each day. Leahy Street will be completely closed to vehicle traffic between McCormick Street and Green Bay Drive from March 15 to April 5.

USO Yokosuka Calendar of Events for Feb. 27 to March 3 – The following is the USO Yokosuka calendar of events:

• Feb. 27: USO Bazaar at The Sullivans School Gym from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• Feb. 27: Movie night with free pizza and popcorn starting at 5:30 p.m.

• Feb. 28: USO Bazaar at The Sullivans School Gym from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• March 3: Game night starting at 5 p.m.

USO Yokosuka hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 2 to 10 p.m. and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Contact the USO Japan Director of Programs and Marketing Vernichel Tharps at 241-3030/4894, or by e-mail to: vtharps@uso.org for more information.

Home-to-Work Bus Priority Seating Policy Reminder – In accordance with Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka Instruction COMFLEACTINST 11240.3F, priority seating on the Ikego and Negishi Home-to-Work buses is given to active duty military and Department of Defense civilian employees. Family member children may only board the bus at the last stop by U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka only after all adults have boarded the bus.

Adopt-a-Monument Participation – Adopt-a-Monument participates are reminded that March through September is the period designated to take care of your adopted monuments on board CFAY by picking up trash and pulling weeds from around the adopted area. Thank you for your continued support and participation in protecting our historical monuments. Call 243-2732 for more information.

Chili's Restaurant Limits Breakfast to Weekends – Starting immediately, breakfast at Chili's Restaurant will only be available on Saturday and Sunday from 8 to 11 a.m. Call 241-3847 for more information.

Spring Festival Chili Cook Off – Does your chili pack some flavor? Put it to the test at the Spring Festival Chili Cook Off March 28. All types of chili are welcome for entry. Winners will be chosen based on flavor not heat. The cook off will be judged by representatives of CFAY, a tenant command and the city of Yokosuka. The winning recipe will be presented to the city of Yokosuka. Sign up no later than March 1. Contact MAC Parnell Cross at parnell.cross@fe.navy.mil or NCC Tasha Wright at tasha.wright@fe.navy.mil for more information.

Seahawk-Umitaka Community Announcements, Article and photo submissions – Deadline for community announcements and article and photo submissions for the Seahawk is the Friday before the next Seahawk edition. E-mail your submissions to Seahawk-Umitaka@fe.navy.mil. Please include your telephone contact information in the body of the e-mail so we can contact you if necessary. Contact the Seahawk editor by e-mail to Seahawk-Umitaka@fe.navy.mil or call 243-2567/3003 for specific submission requirements or for more information.

None for the Road – We often don't think about the potential consequences until it is too late to change the situation. The Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Designated Driver Program provides free sodas, a free T-shirt and a $5 gift card to participants of the program. If you are going to drink, have a plan, do it responsibly, and *don't drink and drive*, not even *one*! Contact CFAY Drug and Alcohol Program Advisor MAC(SW) Michael Marino at 243-9901 or by e-mail to Michael.Marino@fe.navy.mil for more information.

BZ: Bravo Zulu to Ben Avey from CFAY Public Affairs for arranging a photo opportunity on the pier in front of *USS Washington* (CVN 73), for 50 students from two international schools in Tokyo. The schools were at Nile C. Kinnick High School for a Model United Nations conference. Ben Avey was very helpful and the *George Washington* Sailors who briefed the students were incredibly knowledgeable. Thank you very much!

BZ: Bravo to *USS Blue Ridge* (LCC 19) Chief of Staff Capt. Fredrick Pfirrmann and the crew of the *Blue Ridge* for giving students from two international schools in Tokyo, attending a Model United Nations conference at Nile C. Kinnick High School, a tour of the ship. Capt. Pfirrmann and *Blue Ridge* Sailors briefed the students on the role of the U.S. Navy here in Japan. What sometimes gets lost in world political news is exactly how much humanitarian efforts the U.S. Navy does each and every year, and Capt. Pfirrmann very clearly showed the students how important and necessary our role is over here. This was a tour they will never forget. Thank you!

Navy Supply Corps: Celebrating 215 years

By Navy Office of Information

"We could not do our jobs without the Supply Corps. The Supply Corps' mission of providing combat capability through logistics is a critical aspect of our fleet response plan. If we don't have effective logistics support, then we can't properly prepare our forces for global assignments. You are experts when it comes to joint logistics, and you are doing a great job. As the commander of the 2nd Fleet, I am a satisfied customer."
– Commander U.S. 2nd Fleet Vice Adm. Melvin Williams Jr.

The Supply Corps plays a vital role in executing the Navy's Maritime Strategy by delivering logistics and business capabilities to the Navy and joint warfighter, ensuring the success of the Navy's diverse missions. It performs the key function of managing the global logistics support network to supply the Navy with items essential to the operation of ships, aircraft, facilities and expeditionary forces.

Supply Corps' vital role

• Supply Corps officers proudly wear the oak leaf insignia and are trained and employed in three principal lines of operation: supply chain management, acquisition and operational logistics.

• Active and reserve members of the Supply Corps provide critical skills to supply the warfighter and contribute to national defense. They play a pivotal role in supporting the Navy – both afloat and ashore – from the United States homeland to the mountains in Eastern Afghanistan to earthquake-ravaged Haiti.

• More than 3,500 active and reserve component Supply Corps officers serve as force multipliers for the warfighter. At any given time, 30 percent of these officers are employed in afloat and expeditionary billets leveraging their operational logistics expertise across all theaters. This is evident today where Supply Corps officers serve on the ground supporting Navy, Defense Logistics Agency and Army missions in support of Joint Task Force-Haiti.

• Supply Corps officers and supply community enlisted Sailors serve in hundreds of Individual Augmentee (IA) logistics and contracting positions in Afghanistan, Iraq in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, and the Horn of Africa.

Supply Corps history

• The Supply Corps dates back to 1795 when President George Washington appointed Tench Francis, a Philadelphia businessman, as the country's first purveyor of public supplies. Francis unified a group of independent pursers under a single organization, which eventually became the U.S. Navy Supply Corps.

• At its inception, the Supply Corps supported the Navy's six frigates, but its duties and responsibilities have kept pace with the expanding scope of the modern Navy's global mission.

Key messages

• The men and women of the Supply Corps exemplify professionalism, resourcefulness and moral courage as the Navy's military logisticians and business professionals.

• Supply Corps officers will continue to make an essential contribution to the operational efficiency and fighting effectiveness of U.S. naval and joint forces. Their continuing vision is to produce autonomous, resourceful, military logisticians delivering mission readiness to naval and joint operations worldwide.