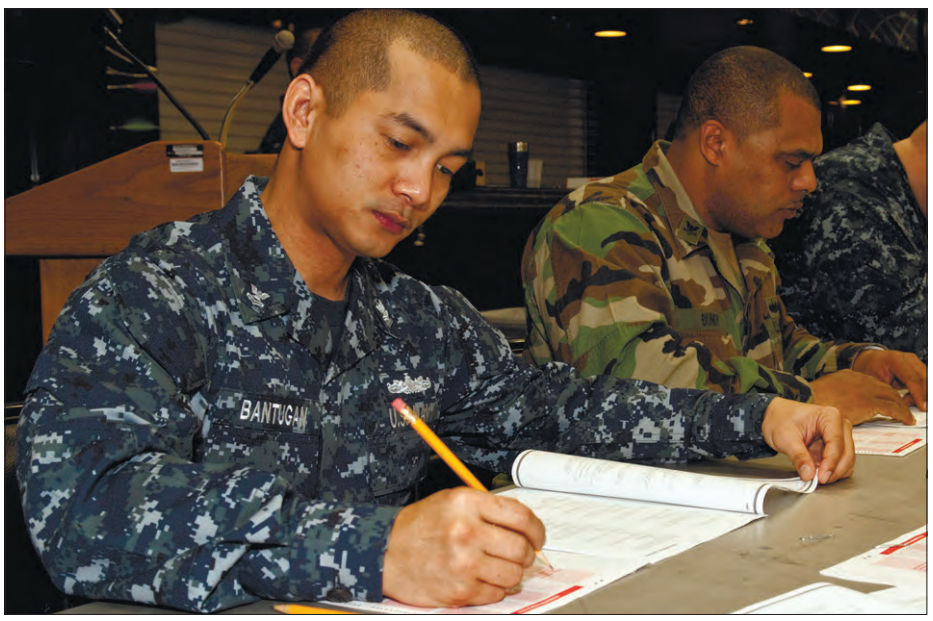

HM2 Arturo Bantugan answers a test question on his answer sheet during the Navywide petty officer 1st class advancement exam held at Club Alliance on board CFAY March 4. Participants are given three hours to complete the 200-question test. Advancement exams for petty officer 2nd class were held March 11 followed by the petty officer 3rd class exams to be held March 18.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Mike R. Mulcare

Tugs assist the U.S. 7th Fleet command ship *USS Blue Ridge* (LCC 19) as she departs her berth at Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka March 2. During the ship's spring underway period, the crew and embarked staff will participate in bilateral exercises Key Resolve and Terminal Fury. *Blue Ridge* serves under Commander Expeditionary Strike Group 7/Task Force 76, the Navy's only forward-deployed amphibious force.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Charles Oki

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Ship Repair Facility employee Ordinance Equipment Repairman Hideaki Miyaji, fixes a 5-inch gun shield seal from *USS Cowpens* (CG 63) at the SRF-JRMC Weapons Repair Shop.

Photo by Yuji Kawabe

Where is your home town? Osaka, Japan.

How long have you worked on base? Nineteen years.

What is your favorite food? *Yakiniku* (Korean barbecue).

What is your life goal? To travel by land from Bangkok to Istanbul.

Yokosuka Middle School (YMS) 7th-grade student Paolo Fuentes studies the geography of Japan's Miura Peninsula Feb. 12. Fuentes is part of a YMS world geography class that is learning about latitude and longitude. For this activity, students have to locate their house and report on its exact location using geographic coordinates.

Photo by Dale Duncan

(Right) NJROTC Area 13 Manager and retired U.S. Navy Capt. Daniel L. Wenceslao, inspects cadets in their dress uniforms during an annual military inspection of the Nile C. Kinnick High School Red Devil NJROTC Company held at Purdy Gym Feb. 19.

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RPC(SW) Lisa Wimbush, BMCM(SW/EXW) Raynard Kidd and RP3 Will Reffler, along with master labor contract employees and members of the local Japanese community, pose for a group photo at the Japan-U.S. Cultural Exchange Center on board CFAY Feb. 12. Wimbush talked to the participants about the accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his messages.

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