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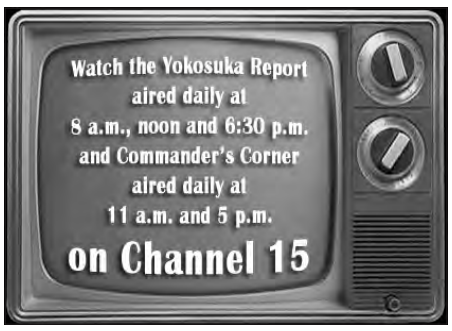

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Community announcements/Action line

DDYJ Limited Services – Defense Distribution Depot Yokosuka, Japan (DDYJ) will be on minimal manning today from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for a command function. Contact Joe Pirman at 243-5065 or e-mail to joe.pirman@dla.mil for more information.

Cape Fox Professional Services Motorcycle Rodeo – A Motorcycle Rodeo will be held at the Yokohama North Dock Motorcycle Training Range to promote safe motorcycling from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 10. Registration begins at 9 a.m. All licensed Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) sponsored motorcycle riders are invited to participate. Riders must use their own street legal, properly registered motorcycles to participate. Spectators are invited and welcome to attend. Cape Fox Professional Services certified motorcycle safety instructors will hold four primary events to include a slow speed race, poker run, a relay race and a timed circuit course. Prizes including an iPod will be awarded. E-mail to cdelzatto@capefoxit.com to sign up or for more information.

Holocaust Day of Remembrance Luncheon – A Holocaust Day of Remembrance Luncheon to commemorate Yom Hashoar will be held at the Officer's Club from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 14. The event is open to all hands. A special presentation about the holocaust will take place during the luncheon. Contact Mark Zeid at 243-5126 or e-mail to mark.zeid.pfec@ctcd.edu for more information.

Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka Town Hall Meetings – Town Hall meetings for Negishi Housing Detachment and Ikego Housing Detachment will be held as follows:

- Negishi - April 15 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Negishi Theater
- Ikego - April 29 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Kyoto Tower

Contact the Negishi Officer in Charge Office at 242-4101 or the Ikego Officer in Charge Office at 246-8042 for more information.

CFAY to participate in Exercise "Reliant Gale" – In preparation for this Year's typhoon season, Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) will participate in the annual typhoon ready exercise Reliant Gale April 19-23. The exercise is designed to train naval installations in emergency preparedness, personnel accountability, evacuation and recovery operations from a catastrophic natural disaster. The CFAY Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will be activated and its staff will coordinate typhoon condition of readiness efforts and emergency responses with base tenant commands. Commands are highly encouraged to practice their internal typhoon readiness procedures. Several announcements related to the exercise will be broadcast through the base media and emergency vehicles may be activated throughout the duration of the exercise. Contact the CFAY Training and Readiness Office at 243-1794 for more information.

Earth Day Eco-Tours – To celebrate Earth Day, two Eco-Tours will be held at the co-generation plant in building 3030 April 22. The first tour will be held at 10 a.m. and the second tour will begin at 2 p.m. The co-generation plant, located on Nimitz Boulevard behind the James D. Kelly Fleet Recreation Center, is an energy-efficient power plant that provides environmentally friendly, "clean" electrical power to Yokosuka Base. Call 243-3814 to sign up for the tour or for more information.

Overseas Housing Allowance Survey – The next triennial Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) Utility and Move-In Housing Allowance (MIHA) Expenses Survey for Japan will be conducted from April 15 through May 14. Full participation in this survey is essential as allowances will be updated based on the results. The target population for this survey is all service members currently in private leases under the OHA program. To prepare for the utility portion, members receiving OHA should collect their actual bills or records of utility and maintenance expenses for the last 12 months. To prepare for the MIHA portion, members should collect all receipts for expenses incurred when initially moving into their private leases. This includes refrigerators, non-refundable hook-up costs for electricity, et cetera. The survey is available online only, no paper copies are available. The link to the electronic survey is https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/oha/survey/aprumemie1.html. This is the only link to be used by Japan survey respondents. This link will not be operational until April 15 when the survey starts. Contact PSC(SW) Robert Feliciano at 243-8444, or by e-mail to Robert.feliciano@fe.navy.mil for more information.

Local Rugby Players Wanted – Experienced men and women rugby players, as well as those with no experience who would like to learn to play rugby wanted. Practices are held at the CFAY Berkey football field every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. Rugby is a physical sport that builds conditioning and requires teamwork, aggression and endurance, which are all qualities that are compatible with military service. Contrary to what people may think, injuries are rare in rugby. We teach the laws and skills necessary to play the game properly, which helps to prevent injury. Most practices are devoted to skill building with some contact drills. Contact Cmdr. John Swanson at 243-6931 or e-mail to john.swanson@fe.navy.mil for more information.

Child Care for Chapel of Hope Religious Services – Beginning April 17, paid child care will no longer be provided for Chapel of Hope weekday events. The Chapel of Hope will continue to provide child care for Saturday and Sunday religious services. Child care will be provided through Morale, Welfare and Recreation Child Development Center certified caregivers. Call 243-6773 for more information.

BZ: I am a newly wed wife of a Sailor. I attended a recent COMPASS class. The COMPASS class and mentors gave me a lot of useful and helpful information, and told us of their personal experiences. I know some of them work during the day but the night class I attended was perfectly organized and prepared! They are amazing, and as a navy wife, I look up to them. Also, on a separate note, FAST Office AW1 Trevor Godwin interrupted his lunch time to help me with an ID card issue I had recently. He was so nice and the service was amazing. Thank you to all and Bravo Zulu!

BZ: I recently enlisted the help from Jeffrey Doepp of Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka Public Affairs Office to locate my best friend. My friend and I have known each other since we were 10 years old and we were inseparable all throughout high school. We decided to enlist in the Navy together. I was a corpsman assigned to Camp Lejeune, N.C., and he was assigned to *USS Kitty Hawk* (CV 63) as an electrician's mate. We maintained contact until 2002, when his e-mail and snail addresses were no longer correct. Until now, my family and friends have heard nothing from him, or his whereabouts. All this time, we have wondered what became of him, and our best efforts have been in vain to locate him. Recently, an article was found on NavyNewsstand mentioning my friend in a brief interview. Using a contact e-mail provided on the CFAY Web site for the Seahawk newspaper, I inquired if anyone could help me, a shot in the dark, really. I was immediately contacted by Jeffrey Doepp, saying he would see what he could do. Because of his selfless devotion to both his office and to others, and taking the time to locate my friend, I received a phone-call from my friend the very next day. I hadn't talked to him in eight years! Please understand, all of us had tried everything to see if he was safe and happy. We almost hired a private detective! However, Jeffrey Doepp answered me immediately. I almost fell out my chair when he provided the contact information so quickly. Without his genuine willingness to help a total stranger with a tall request, we would still be wondering. I owe him so many thanks. We truly appreciate his help. Bravo Zulu!

BZ: Even prior to my arrival in Japan, the Housing Welcome Center responded quickly to my e-mail inquiry with helpful information. My situation was somewhat unique as I would be and now am living off base in downtown Tokyo. The Housing Welcome Center Manager Daniel Rourke was familiar with this situation and recognized that my needs would be different from those of most families in Yokosuka. He cut through a lot of red tape and put his staff in touch with my realtor even before my initial check in. As a result, as soon as I arrived in Yokosuka, Misaho Tsutsushio sat down with me and quickly had the information I needed to be able to sign a lease. Once the lease was signed the next day, Yumiko Hashimoto worked with me past closing time to get a non-standard package of Japanese documents turned into an Overseas Housing Allowance certification. Both women worked beyond appointment hours, with non-standard documents, on an often confusing case, and got the job finished quickly so that I was able to return to Tokyo and take care of other business, and move into my apartment the following Monday. Many thanks to the Housing Welcome Center for your flexibility, expertise and sense of customer service!