New members of the Yokosuka Middle School National Junior Honor Society sit on the stage during an induction ceremony held March 31. More than 40 students pledged to uphold the high standards of scholarship, service, leadership, character and citizenship, values the National Junior Honor Society has been promoting since 1929.

Photo by Dale Duncan

Negishi Housing Detachment Child Development Center (CDC) children Olivia Stevenson and William Bennett watch silk worms hatch from their eggs as Richard E. Byrd School students Halle Furman and Lloyd Favors supervise during a CDC visit to the school's 2nd-grade classroom March 23.

Photo by Buffy Bennett

OS1 Joseph Hogan, a Sailor aboard the 7th Fleet command ship *USS Blue Ridge* (LCC 19), plays with children from the Hong Kong Society for the Protection of Children during a community relations event March 29. *Blue Ridge*, commanded by Capt. Rudy Lupton, serves under Commander Expeditionary Strike Group 7/ Task Force 76, the Navy's only forward-deployed amphibious force.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Brian A. Stone

Members of the community from Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka compete in the Morale, Welfare and Recreation sponsored St. Patrick's Day 5K run held on base March 20. Many Sailors and family members dressed up in festive green clothing and costumes while participating in the annual event.

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

Sailors from *USS George Washington* (CVN 73) In port Emergency Team overhaul a simulated fire during a drill. *George Washington*, the U.S. Navy's only forward-deployed aircraft carrier, is currently in a Selective Restricted Availability in its homeport of Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka.

U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Rachel N. Hatch

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CFAY Command Career Counselor NC1(SW) Antonia Brown sweeps up the parking area in front of builiding C-9 during the CFAY basewide clean up March 26.

Photo by Yuji Kawabe

Where is your home town? Pensacola, Fla.

How long have you been in Japan? Two and a half years.

What is your favorite food? Mutsumiya spicy *miso*- soup ramen.

What is your life goal? To be a high school guidance counselor after I retire.