Sailors congregate for a baptismal service in the hangar bay aboard *USS George Washington* (CVN 73) Sept. 26. Nearly 200 people attended the service and a total of 24 Sailors were baptized. *George Washington*, the Navy's only permanently forward-deployed aircraft carrier is currently underway helping to ensure security and stability in the western Pacific Ocean.

U.S. Navy photo by MC3 David Cox

Ensign Daniel Ostrowski from *USS Mustin* (DDG 89) and his wife Deanna accept the Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) Housing Office, Ikego Housing Detachement Yard of the Year award for 2010 from CFAY Commanding Officer Capt. David Owen Sep. 29.

Photo by Yuji Kawabe

Faculty, parents, students and community members attended the Nile C. Kinnick High School Continuous School Improvement (CSI) Goal Planning carousel Sept. 24. The community discussed ways to improve school curriculum, SAT scores, and peer-to-peer relationships at the school. The data will be gathered and discussed on how to successfully implement the suggestions.

Photo by Vicki Boehler

Yokosuka community members participate in the Suicide Prevention 3K Walk-Run event held here at the George I. Purdy Fitness Center Sept. 22. More than 120 Sailors and family members took part in the CFAY Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Fleet and Family Support Center and USNH Yokosuka sponsored event, designed to help create awareness and provided information about suicide prevention efforts and resources available.

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Konnichiwa

Foreign Language in Elementary Schools (FLES) teacher Pyrrha Rivers claps her hands and dances along with student performers during the FLES Hispanic Heritage Month presentation at the Benny Decker theater Sept. 30.

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Where is your hometown?	Guatemala City.
How long have you been in Japan?	Six weeks.
What is your favorite food?	Ramen.
What is your life goal?	To grow and develop as an educator.

Pet of the week

The Pet of the week this week is Dee Dee. She looks like an American Curl and is sweet with people. On the other paw, she doesn't seem to like any of the other cats (except for the one she was surrendered with). She would do great in a home that would give her high places to jump to, maybe an empty book shelf. She seems like she'd be happiest as the only pet. Dee Dee loves attention and can't wait to snuggle in with her forever home. To find out more about Dee Dee or any animal at P.A.W.S., contact them at 243-9996, by e-mail to usskittytalk.yokosuka@gmail.com or visit the P.A.W.S. website at www.pawsyokosukajapan.com.

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