CFAY Opens Teen Center in Ikego

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The U.S. Navy Reserve deployed four reservists from various Navy Operational Support Centers (NOSC), to Commander, Fleet Activities, Yokosuka, Japan (CFAY) to provide training and support for new capabilities in Counter-Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (C-SUAS).

The deployment and training conducted with C-UAS are in accordance with the Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff’s Joint Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD) Vision 2020 which, according to www.jcs.mil, outlines all capabilities of Joint and combined forces to prevent an adversary from effectively employing any of its offensive air and missile weapons.

“It is a pleasure to be here and support the installation implementing this new capability developing SOPs (standard operating procedures),” said Quartermaster Chief Petty Officer Warren Thomas, C-SUAS program manager from NOSC Alameda, California. “That is what SELRES (Selective Reserves) are here for - to support the active (duty) component and fill in the gaps when manning requirements can’t be met.”

The four-person team includes reservists from across the United States from California to Massachusetts.

“Another member of the team, Master at Arms 2nd Class Petty Officer Justin Clark, C-SUAS Operator at NOSC Kansas City, Missouri, stated, “The old policy was to report any unmanned aircraft such as drones that entered CFAY airspace, now we have the capacity to defend through new capabilities and defense systems.”

“Getting this program up and running and training local personnel on C-UAS (use) is critical to supporting and defending the installation against small drones that could be carrying payloads such as IEDs,” added Quartermaster 1st Class Petty Officer James Smith C-SUAS Operator from NOSC Akron, Ohio.

“Defense of our installations covers a range of threats from the sea, shore, and air. The proliferation of small, commercial UAS has presented a challenge to our security forces, but we are meeting that challenge through new capabilities,” said Capt. Rich Jarrett, CFAY’s commanding officer. “The talent we have been able to access through the U.S. Navy Reserve is a game changer in our ability to rapidly field these new capabilities and integrate with our other Security Forces at CFAY.”

For 75 years, CFAY has provided, maintained, and operated base facilities and services in support of the U.S. 7th fleet’s forward-deployed naval forces, tenant commands, and thousands of military and civilian personnel and their families.
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**Club Alliance**

**MAR 14 SATURDAY**

6 p.m. | 1st Floor Sharky’s Roadhouse

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day with a live band playing Irish music. Free Happy Hour food served from 6 - 9:30 p.m. Open to All Hands. Admission is free. For more information, call 243-3000.

**Club Takemiya**

**MAR 15 SUNDAY**

9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day at Club Takemiya. Adults $14.95, children ages 6-11 $8.95 and children 5 and under are free. Open to All Hands. For more information, call 246-8077.

**CPO Club**

**MAR 15 SUNDAY**

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. | CPO Club Dining Room

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day at the CPO Club with an Irish-themed buffet. Adults $20.95, children ages 6-11 $10.95. Open to All Hands. For more information, call 246-8077.

**Officers’ Club**

**MAR 17 TUESDAY**

Lunch: 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Dinner: 5 - 9 p.m. | Kosano Dining Room

Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day at the Officers’ Club with a Irish-themed buffet featuring corn beef and cabbage, potato pancakes, Irish stew and more. Open to All Hands. For more information, call 243-5002/5624.

**Key Log Rolling**

**MAR 21 SATURDAY**

11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. | Purdy Fitness Center Pool

Run on a log like a lumberjack! This high cardio, high core, very low impact exercise provides a great fitness challenge while having fun and making friends. For more information, call 243-5620.

**Family Game Day**

**MAR 28 SATURDAY**

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. | Yokosuka Library

Are you looking to host a game day for your family or friends? Let the Yokosuka Library do it for you with their variety of games. For more information, call 243-5574.
**Cancelled Events and Closed Venues in Japan**

Due to ongoing Coronavirus concerns, major events outside the gate have been cancelled or postponed for the next few weeks. Below is an abbreviated list of cancellations of major events and venue closures throughout the country.

- Ghibli Museum through March 17.
- Tokyo Disneyland, DisneySea through early April.
- teamLab Borderless/teamLab Planets Tokyo closed through March 15
- Ueno Zoo through March 15
- Yomiuri Land through Mar. 15
- Yokohama Hakkeijima Sea Paradise through March 15
- Legoland Discovery Center - Odaiba through March 15
- Yokohama Anpanman Children’s Museum through March 15
- Universal Studios Japan (Osaka) through March 15
- Yokohama Zoorasia through March 16

*Schedules are subject to change and change daily. Please check each organization and/or event’s official websites for current information.

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**March 20 - 29**

**Minato Mirai 21 Cherry Blossom Festival**

JR Sakuragicho Station/Yokohama Municipal Subway Minatomirai Station

“Sakura-dori” is a cherry-tree-lined street stretching over the Minato Mirai 21 area from JR Sakuragicho Station to Yokohama Landmark Tower and PACIFICO Yokohama. There will also be various festival events held at the surrounding facilities, mainly during the weekends, such as street performances, live music performance, a stamp rally and more. Come and enjoy the arrival of the spring.

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**March 27 (Fri) to April 5 (Sun)**

**Sankeien Garden Cherry Blossom Night Viewing**

9 a.m. to 9 p.m. | Take a bus from JR Negishi Station, JR Sakuragicho Station, Keikyu Yokohama Station.

The garden features numerous cherry blossom trees around the pond. Hours are extended during the full blossom season for people to enjoy the illuminated cherry blossoms at night.
HEALTH PROTECTION CONDITION BRAVO
The Commander of U.S. Forces, Japan announced a decision to elevate the Health Protection Condition within USFJ to “Bravo.” Actions required by units within USFJ during this elevated health protection status include:

- Consideration of limiting or cancelling meetings, training events, formations, large social gatherings, etc.
- Monitoring conditions in areas near U.S. bases and stations and coordination with local health officials
- Encouraging strict hygiene measures, including frequent handwashing, wiping down common surface areas on a regular basis, etc.
- Consideration of additional health screening measures at points of entry to installations if necessary.

The overall risk to individual USFJ members in Japan remains low. However, the command encourages strict hygiene measures to reduce the risk of transmission. Those who are ill should coordinate with their organizations in order to stay home and avoid exposing others to infection.

Further information from the CDC is available here: https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/alert/coronavirus-japan

IKEGO JOINT USE AREA
Effective immediately the Ikego Joint Use Area has been deemed off limits to non-SOFA sponsored personnel by Zushi City.

- SOFA personnel are still authorized to use the Joint Use Area
- Access Gate will remain secured except for exit/entry of SOFA personnel (ask sentry to open)
- Paid parking lot is off-limits to all personnel.

CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES
Road Closure near CRC & Kinnick HS: A Street, in front of Kinnick High School, will be closed from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for inspection and de-mobilization. 03/11/2020 – 03/20/2020

Womble Gate Closure: To help support tree service removal and due to safety concerns, Womble gate will be closed 04/11/2020 - 04/12/2020 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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As of 13 Mar 2020, the Military Postal Service (MPS) will no longer accept internationally addressed articles bearing a handwritten customs declaration form. Patrons must enter customs data using either Click-N-Ship, USPS customs form online (CFOL), or USPS partner systems (i.e. Stamps.com)

Simply put, for any internationally addressed packages (Italy, France, Canada, etc.) you must fill out your customs form online prior to coming to the post office. Handwritten customs forms for internationally addressed packages will no longer be accepted starting 13 mar 2020.

We recommend the following options for printing and filing forms electronically:
1. USPS Click-N-Ship option. Sign up for free at USPS.com - Account - Enter Package Details - Pay for and print your label - drop your parcel at the mailing window.