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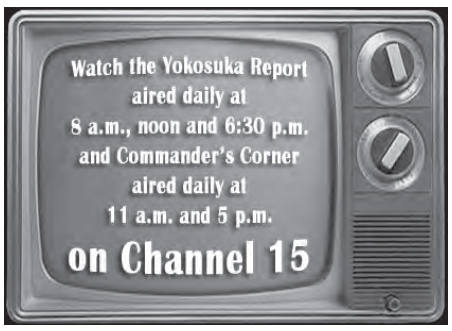

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Community announcements/Action line

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DBIDS Registration – Don't forget to register in the Defense Biometric Identification Data System (DBIDS)! Due to the updated Non-combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) plan and increase in force protection and random anti-terrorism measures, all military, civilian employees, Navy contractors and their family members including children 10 years of age and older, Master Labor Contract (MLC) employees and local contractors onboard Yokosuka Base or assigned to afloat units are required to register in DBIDS. Personnel who are currently registered in DBIDS but have changes to their profile must come in and update their information. The DBIDS registration office is located at the main gate inside building 1495. Additional DBIDS registration locations are at the Community Readiness Center and Personnel Support Detachment Yokosuka.

Correction: The chaplains article that appeared on page 12 of the July 8 Seahawk was written by Chaplain Douglas Vrieland not Chaplain Allen Vaughan.

Bystanders – the unnamed conspirators

By Capt. David Owen,
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The statistics are absolutely staggering. On average, three U.S. Navy, or U.S. Marine Corps, personnel become victims every day, and those are just the cases that get reported.
It is estimated that the actual number is seven to eight times higher than what is reported.

This is not about alcohol abuse, even though it is known to be the leading contributing factor, but rather sexual assault. The increasing number of blue-on-blue cases is even more alarming.

There is a system in place to support sexual assault victims. However, we need to focus on reporting and preventing sexual assault. Too many sexual assaults could have been prevented if those in the vicinity had cared enough to take action and intervene.

A common scenario which has become too familiar – A party or bar scene where an individual victim is selected and singled out by a cunning and hungry predator, much like a young zebra that falls prey to a few hungry lions after being singled-out of the much larger heard on the Sahara.

In the majority of the cases, the "heard" was well aware of the developing situation and could have intervened, but decided not to get involved. Standing idly by when you could have prevented a sexual assault is the same as being an unnamed conspirator to the crime.

My challenge to you is to be proactive. Get involved and take action to defuse a deteriorating situation. Run tight when you run as a "heard" and step in when one of your own appears to have become "easy prey" due to intoxication. Block the predators before they can move in for the kill. There are many ways to be proactive, such as distracting the potential assailant and removing the potential victim from the dangerous situation.

Good shipmates don't stand-by and let shipmates do drugs. Good shipmates don't stand-by and let shipmates drink and drive. Good shipmates don't stand-by and let shipmates get sexually assaulted, and good shipmates absolutely do not sexually assault other shipmates.

CFAY Traffic Court Result

Rank	Violation	Points/Revocation as directed by instruction	Disposition by traffic judge
GS11	Speeding/Reckless driving	One-year suspension	One-year suspension
CIV	Traffic accident/failure to Report traffic accident	Six-month suspension/driving school	Five points
CIV	Implied consent	Two-year revocation/driving school	One-year revocation/driving school
E6	Allowing intoxicated person to operate motor vehicle	One-year revocation/driving school	Dismissed
CIV	Traffic accident/failure to report traffic accident	Six-month suspension/driving school	Five points
O3	Speeding 34 kph over posted limit	One-year revocation/driving school	Six-month probation/driving school
CIV	12 points in 12 calendar months	One-year revocation/driving school	One-year revocation/ driving school
CIV	Speeding – 36 kph in a 25 kph zone	Three points/driving school	One point
CIV	Illegal parking	Two points	Warning
CIV	Operating motor vehicle while driving privileges are under suspension or revocation	Permanent Revocation	Permanent Revocation
CIV	Permitting an individual without a valid USFJ driver's license to operate a vehicle	One-year revocation/driving school	One-year revocation/driving school
O5	Permitting an individual without a valid USFJ driver's license to operate a vehicle	One year-revocation/driving school	Warning
E6	Failure to report traffic accident/fleeing the scene	Six-month suspension/driving school	Six-month suspension/driving school
CIV	Speeding 39 kph over posted limit	One-year revocation/driving school	One-year revocation/driving school
E5	Failure to report traffic accident	Six-month suspension/driving school	Six-month suspension/driving school