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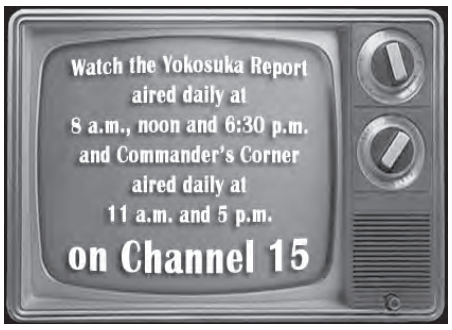

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Heads Up Yokosuka!
Community announcements/Action line

Yokosuka Complex Transportation Office closure – The Yokosuka Complex Transportation Office will be closed for customer service from June 19-22. The office is scheduled to reopen June 25.

CFAY summer energy campaign kickoff – It's time to kickoff the CFAY summer energy campaign and we need your help in making it a success. The Government of Japan has not issued mandates on energy reduction, like they did last year. However, Tokyo Electric Power Company still has a reduced electricity generating capacity as a result of many power plants still being off line. Therefore, we want to do our part as good neighbors to our Japanese hosts, and save where we can. CFAY will be implementing some base wide measures this summer, but none will adversely impact the community or our missions. Some of the initiatives that the base will be implementing includes: securing approximately 1/3 of all street lights on base, securing fountains, securing outdoor display signs, and working with large tenant commands to help them identify areas where they can reduce energy consumption. We are also asking that you continue to do your part by promoting energy conservation and being energy conscious. Doing small things like turning off lights or A/C in rooms that you are not using, and keeping the thermostat set at 26 degrees Celsius will make a big difference over the course of the summer. We will be sending out energy saving tips throughout the summer, so please keep an eye out for them. Thanks in advance for your support.

Command Leave Administrator Training – PERS 261 is coming to Yokosuka to provide command leave administrator (CLA) training. In-class training is scheduled for June 18 from 8 a.m. - noon. On-site training is scheduled for June 19-20 from 1 - 4 p.m. Sessions are limited. Please sign up via command pay/personnel administrative support system (PASS) coordinators. Any commands not yet live with eLeave and new CLAs should submit a CLA letter of designation signed directly by their commanding officer (not by direction) to CFAY PSD. For more information contact 243-7188.

U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka Annual Sports Physical Exam Day and Health Fair – U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka's Pediatric Department is sponsoring an annual sports physical exam day and health fair, June 20, 1-3:30 p.m. at the Nile C. Kinnick High School multipurpose room. Sports physicals are good for one full year. We will be doing sports and NJROTC for students in high school during academic year 2012-13. Scouting physicals are also being done. Sports and NJROTC physical forms are available at the high school and middle school nurse's office; and at the Pediatrics and Family Medicine Clinic at the hospital. Both sides must be filled out and signed by parents or physical will not be done. Participants must wear P.E. or gym clothes or physical will not be done. Participants 12 years and older do not need a parent present to get a physical. For activity physicals not covered above or for those unable to make the sports physical day, physicals as always can also be obtained by making an appointment with your PCM. For more information about annual sports physical exam day and health fair, please contact the U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka's Pediatric Department at 243-5505.

Hospital bills: Your responsibility – Pay patients seen at military treatment facilities, have bills generated and sent to the patient's insurance carrier. Often, after payments are made by the patient's insurance carrier, there is a remaining co-payment that is the responsibility of the patients. These co-payments if unpaid leave a negative balance on the patient's account generating late notices 30 days after payment is due. If payment isn't made within an additional 30 days, a second notice is sent. A third and final notice will be sent at the 90-day mark if the bill remains unpaid. If, at the 90-day mark, the bill has not been paid or arrangements have not been made to pay the bill, patients with an outstanding balance will not be able to schedule routine appointments, or obtain non-urgent care. If you suspect you may have unpaid medical bills or have any questions on the billing process, please call the U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka Billing Office at 243-8574.

Defense Financing and Accounting Services (DFAS) scam letter warning – A letter is making the circuit purporting to be from DFAS asking military member's fiancées to register in our system entitling them to benefits in the event of the member's death. All for only a $350 fee. However, it's a scam. Please let your fellow soldiers, Sailors, airmen, Marines and families know the score. Corporate Communications advises the facebook post links to an earlier release DFAS put out in October on interaction with customers. DFAS will never send you unsolicited email messages requesting your myPay login ID and password or any other personal or financial information. We also will not send you unsolicited email messages with attachments, if you receive an email message that appears suspicious, do not click on any links or open attachments, etc.

Unauthorized political activity – The Department of Defense (DoD) maintains a policy that DoD personnel acting in their official capacity may not engage in activities that associate the DoD with any partisan political campaign or election, candidate, cause, or issue. All military personnel, including National Guard and reserve forces, are prohibited from wearing military uniforms at political campaigns or election events. Military members may not:

- Fundraise
- Speak
- Canvas or advocate on behalf of a partisan candidate or cause.
- Military members are disallowed from placing partisan political signage in military housing onboard military installations.

Acceptable political activities:

- Members are allowed (in a private capacity) to support their candidate or cause in limited scope, as long as it is never in uniform and is not serving a large role within the cause (i.e., supervisory position).

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 on board Yokosuka base or assigned to forward-deployed 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.

Deadline for Seahawk submissions – Deadline for submissions to the Seahawk is the Thursday before the next Seahawk edition. Email your submissions to Seahawk-Umitaka@fe.navy.mil. Contact the Seahawk editor by email at Seahawk-Umitaka@fe.navy.mil or call 243-2567/3003 for specific submission requirements or for more information.

Schools are out – Slow down!

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Last day for all DODEA schools on CFAY was June 14. Therefore, there are now a lot of children running around the base enjoying their vacation at all times of the day vice being in the classroom. Please use extra vigilance while driving around the base and housing areas. Obey the speed limits and be on the lookout for kids, especially when driving through residential areas and/or near playgrounds. Talking on cell phones and texting while driving continues to be the number one distraction to drivers and has no place on CFAY. The number of accidents that occur are staggering with over 250 reported thus far for 2012 here at CFAY alone. Fortunately, there have been no fatalities resulting from any of the accidents and we most certainly want to keep it that way. Therefore, slow down and avoid distractions. The loss of just one person (adult or child) is not worth saving a couple minutes of transit time or answering the phone. Let's have a fun and safe summer!