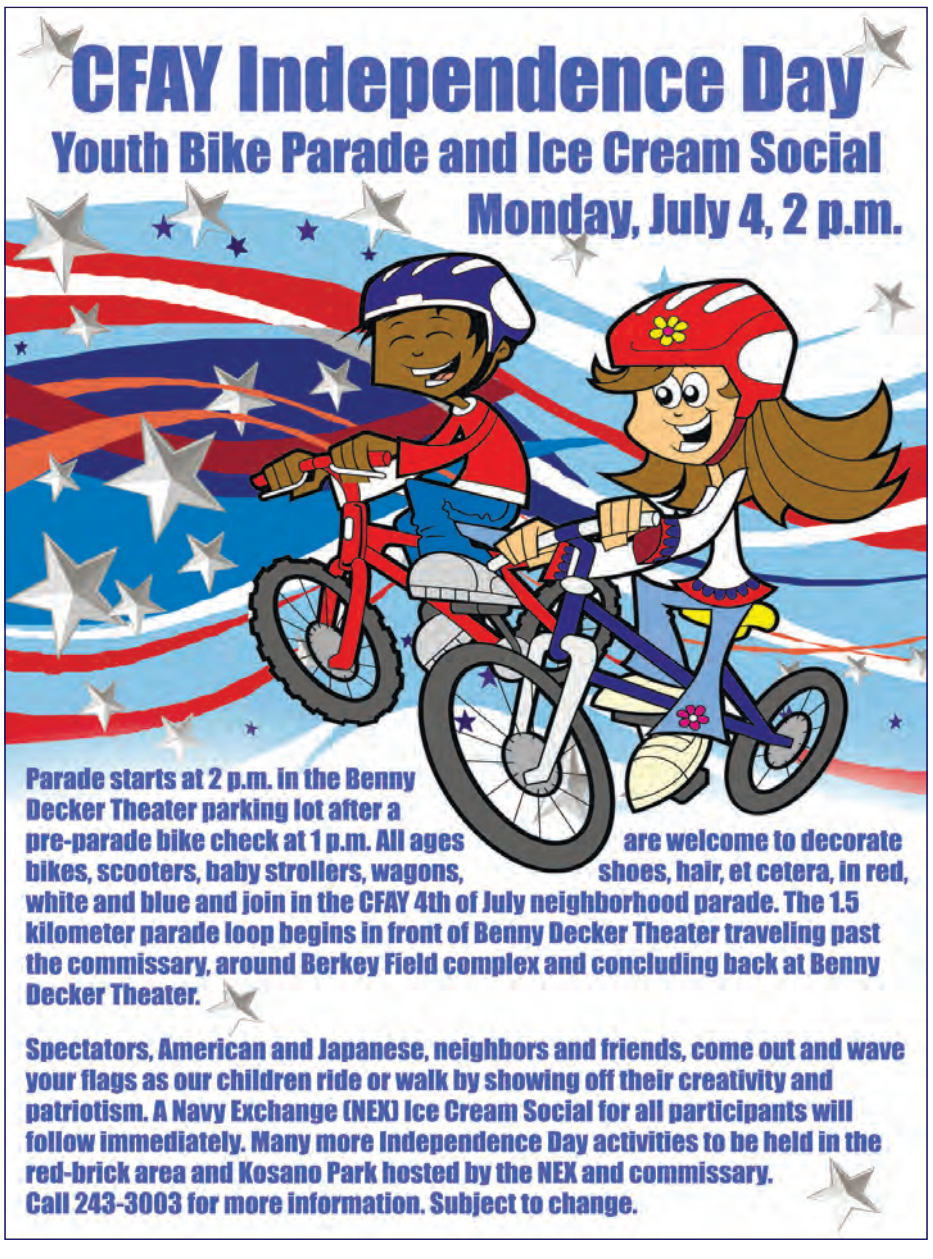
(Left) *USS George Washington* (CVN 73) CMC Martin King places a new master chief petty officer cover on MRCM Jace Marchant during a pinning ceremony June 3.
U.S. Navy photo by MCSN Alysia R. Hernandez

Sailors assigned to *USS Fitzgerald* (DDG 62), pull a mooring line in from the pier at Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka June 12. *Fitzgerald* is one of six Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyers attached to Destroyer Squadron 15 and is currently underway in the Western Pacific on its summer patrol.
U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Mikey Mulcare

Sasha Anguiano, A Sullivans School student from Tanya chambers fourth-grade class, calculates using a soroban, or Japanese counting tray, at the 29th Kanto Plain Soroban Contest held at the New Sanno Hotel. Sasha won third place in the written problems competition.
Photo by Andrea Mial

(Right) MR1 Jason Rink talks with junior Sailors about the techniques and challenges of shipboard firefighting during a main space fire drill aboard the Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser *USS Cowpens* (CG 63) June 14. *Cowpens* is forward-deployed to Yokosuka, Japan, and is underway for a scheduled patrol in the Western Pacific Ocean.
U.S. Navy photo by MC1 N. Ross Taylor




# Konnichiwa

Minoru Yabuta, an emergency vehicle operator course instructor and ambulance driver from USNH Yokosuka, performs a maintenance check of an ambulance stretcher.
Photo by Yuji Kawabe

Where is your hometown? Yokosuka.

How long have you worked on base? Twenty-four years.

What is your favorite food? Yakitori.

What is your life goal? To take a road trip through Hokkaido on my Harley.