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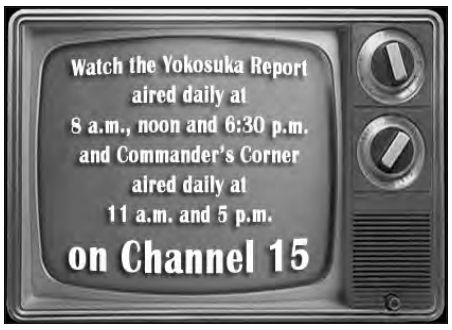

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Community announcements/Action line

Rickert Drive Tunnel Repairs – The tunnels on Rickert Drive will be under repair until Aug. 9. Usage will be reduced to single lane, two-way traffic during the day with total tunnel road closure in the evenings from Feb. 26 to May 17 and July 13 to 31. Alternate routing of traffic during the evening will be provided. Stock Yard area parking will be secured. Temporary fleet parking will be provided by Gridley Tunnel exit.

Traffic Advisory – Clement Boulevard will be reduced to one lane between McCormick Street and Kauffman Street from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 1 to April 1. Traffic controllers will direct traffic during this repair period. Clement Boulevard will be open to two-lane traffic after 6 p.m. each day. Leahy Street will be completely closed to vehicle traffic between McCormick Street and Green Bay Drive from March 15 to April 5.

USO Calendar of Events for March 20 - 26 – The following is the USO Yokosuka calendar of events:

- March 20: Movie Night with free pizza and popcorn starting at 5:30 p.m.
- March 24: Game Night starting at 5 p.m.
- March 26: TGIF Night featuring a free food buffet for single and unaccompanied active duty Sailors starting at 5:30 p.m.

USO Yokosuka hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 2 to 10 p.m. and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Contact USO Yokosuka at 241-3030/4894 for more information.

Spring Festival Chili Cook Off – Does your chili pack some flavor? Put it to the test at the Spring Festival Chili Cook Off March 28. All types of chili are welcome for entry. Winners will be chosen based on flavor not heat. The cook off will be judged by representatives of CFAY, a tenant command and the city of Yokosuka. The winning recipe will be presented to the city of Yokosuka. Sign up no later than March 1. Contact MAC Parnell Cross at parnell.cross@fe.navy.mil or NCC Tasha Wright at tasha.wright@fe.navy.mil for more information.

CFAY CPOA Dining Out – All chief petty officers are invited to attend Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) Chief Petty Officer Association (CPOA) Dining Out April 1 at 6 p.m. in the Bamboo Room of the Chief Petty Officer's Club. Retired BMCM Rudy Boesch, a Navy Seal and oldest competitor on the first season of the hit TV show "*Survivor,*" will join CFAY Commanding Officer Capt. Daniel Weed as a guest speaker. E-mail to lisa.wimbush@fe.navy.mil or michael.marino@fe.navy.mil for tickets or for more information.

Cape Fox Professional Services Motorcycle Rodeo – A Motorcycle Rodeo will be held at the Yokohama North Dock Motorcycle Training Range to promote safe motorcycling from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 10. Registration begins at 9 a.m. All licensed Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) sponsored motorcycle riders are invited to participate. Riders must use their own street legal, properly registered motorcycles to participate. Spectators are invited and welcome to attend. Cape Fox Professional Services certified motorcycle safety instructors will hold four primary events to include a slow speed race, poker run, a relay race and a timed circuit course. Prizes including an iPod will be awarded. E-mail to cdelzatto@capefoxit.com to sign up or for more information.

Camp Zama Half Marathon – The 14th annual Camp Zama Half Marathon will be held at Sagami Depot Sunday, April 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Additionally, there will be a men's and women's 5K and 10K run and a parent-child 2k run for parents with child in grades 1-4. All events are free to Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) sponsored ID card holders and there will be special awards for SOFA participants. The cutoff date for registration is March 20. Call 263-7980 or 263-5995 for more information or to obtain a registration form.

Second Hand Rose Reopening Delayed – The reopening of Second Hand Rose has been delayed to sometime in May. Those wishing to make donations are asked to hold on to them a little longer until a designated area for donations can be determined. Once a designated area has been determined, an announcement will be made. Call Christie Wood at 241-4207, or e-mail to cavjwood@aol.com for more information.

YOSC Scholarship Fund – Applications are now being accepted for the Yokosuka Officer Spouses' Club (YOSC) Scholarship Fund. Applicants must be military family members 18 years of age or older, have received a high school diploma at least six months prior and is attending classes at one of the universities or colleges located at the Yokosuka Navy Campus. Applications are available at the Navy College Office in the Fleet Recreation Center or at Takusan Treasures. Call YOSC President Christie Wood at 241-4207, or e-mail to cavjwood@aol.com for more information.

Marriage Enrichment Workshop – A Marriage Enrichment Workshop will be held March 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka Chapel of Hope for any married Sailor and spouse. Based on the book, "The Five Love Languages" by Gary Chapman, the workshop will examine each of the five love languages: Words of affirmation; Acts of service; Quality time; Gifts; and Physical touch. The workshop will teach couples how to identify and speak each other's love language and rekindle love. Contact Chaplain David Yang by e-mail to yangd@cvn73.navy.mil to sign up for the class or for more information. Seating is limited. Sailors are encouraged to sign up early.

Passover – Passover will be held at the Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka Chapel of Hope Fellowship Hall starting at 4:30 p.m. March 29. Contact the Chapel of Hope at 243-6773 for more information.

BZ: My son used to be stationed in Yokosuka aboard the *USS Kitty Hawk* (CV 63). He's been in San Diego for the last three years and I hadn't looked at the CFAY Web site since he left Japan. I just happened to think about it today and looked. Wow, it was good before, but it is so much better now. Great site. I'll be back again.

BZ: I would just like to take a few moments here to give thanks and acknowledge the outstanding customer service, attentiveness and professional assistance that I received from Toshihiro Tsuruoka and his colleagues at the Yokosuka Housing Office Facilities Division. Recently, the carbon monoxide (CO) detector at my family's off-base apartment activated detecting the presence of CO. Immediately upon alerting the Housing Office staff of the problem, they put Tsuruoka on the case and he loaned out additional CO detectors to me upon my request as a backup precaution to ensure the safety of my wife, my two little girls and myself. He selflessly took on a much-appreciated interest in assisting with the resolution of our dilemma. He met with me and provided me with additional resources regarding the most-likely sources of carbon monoxide exposure in our home and even ensured that a courtesy phone call was made to my mostly Japanese-speaking house agent setting up a same-day CO inspection at my apartment. As a result of his professionalism, the source of excessive CO exposure in my apartment was identified and my family is now safe and secure and we're better equipped to fight any potential home CO exposure in the future. Thank you so much, and BRAVO ZULU to you for a job well done!

BZ: Congratulations to *USS Blue Ridge* (LCC 19) as a winner of the Naval Supply Systems Command and Navy Exchange Service Command Ships Store Retail and Service Excellence "Best of Class" Award for fiscal year 2009.

Q: Is there anything that can be done about frequent out-of-stock products, especially dairy items, at the commissary? Earlier this year, we were told the lack of supply was due to a Japanese holiday, but the situation has not improved within the past month. What are the factors contributing to the problem? This would not be an acceptable practice in the United States.

A: The commissary sent in its order for the holiday, which included a 25 percent increase due to port closure that would take place between Dec. 28, 2009 and Jan. 4, 2010. Unfortunately, the delivery from the United States had some big shortages and the commissary was playing catch-up due to those shortages. The commissary received a good order this past week and feels that the worst is over. As for sour cream and cottage cheese products, order numbers from previous years were used however it was still not enough. An order was received on Feb. 18 that was a good number and we expect a fix on this by next week as orders were increased on Jan. 18. A concern for short date life on Oscar Meyer products has caused the vendor to be cautious when ordering their products. Our Central Distribution Center has increased their orders to try and ensure we have enough. This should start to look good in approximately two weeks. Contact Yokosuka Commissary Director Joseph Miller Jr., at 243-7692 for more information.