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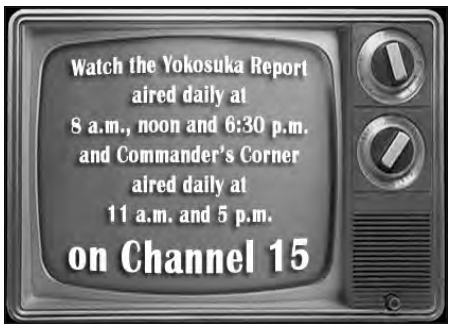

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Community announcements/Action line

Miura Beach Clean up COMREL Event – There will be a Miura Beach Clean-up community relations (COMREL) event Sept. 4 (rain date: Sept. 11), 9:30 a.m. to noon. No sign up required to volunteer, just show up at the Miura Beach meeting location across from McDonald's, which will be marked with a "red flag." For more information such as what items to bring and driving or train directions to the site, go to https://www.cnic.navy.mil/navycni/groups/public/@pub/@japan/@yokosuka/documents/cdn/miurakaigancleanup.pdf, or call Fureai volunteer group at 090-7170-8335 or (046) 821-1709.

Far East Chief Petty Officer Induction Committee Event – The Far East Chief Petty Officer Induction Committee is sponsoring a furniture sale and auction Sept. 5 at the Sullivans Elementary School Gymnasium. Door open for a preview at 10 a.m. with the live auction beginning 11 a.m. More than 300 items including antique Asian furniture, tiffany lamps, hand-tied rugs, paintings and crystal will be offered. Contact ITC Lynne Jones at 243-8934 for more information.

CFAY 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony – Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka will hold a 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony in front of the Chief Petty Officer's Club Sept. 11 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Contact MAC Anthony Gonzales by e-mail to anthony.l.gonzales@fe.navy.mil or ENC Brian Metzger at Brian.metzger@cg67.navy.mil for more information.

Scout-O-Rama – The five scouting units from Yokosuka base and the Ikego housing detachment will hold a Scout-O-Rama Sept. 11 from 2 - 5 p.m. at Kosano Park. The Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venture Crew and Girls Scouts are all joining together to share scouting with the community. There will be hands-on-activities for kids of all ages to participate in including learn pioneering stations, an obstacle course, games, make your own ice cream and displays. A 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony will also be held. E-mail to pack33@gmail.com or visit the Web site http://cubscoutpack33.wikispaces.com/ for more information.

COMPASS Yokosuka Spouse Mentoring Program – The next COMPASS Yokosuka Spouse Mentoring Program begins Sept. 14 through 16 at the Community Readiness Center in room 223 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All spouses are welcome. Lunch is provided and childcare will be reimbursed. Call 246-7931 for more information or log on to the website at www.gocompass.org to register for the class.

Yokosuka Officers Spouses' Club (YOSC) Welcome Coffee Social – The YOSC Executive Board is hosting a Welcome Coffee Social at the home of Diane Wren at 17 Halsey Boulevard, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to noon. The YOSC cordially invites all spouses of officers and civilian equivalent personnel (GS-7 and above) who are assigned to ashore or afloat commands in Yokosuka to meet new friends, join YOSC, enjoy light refreshments, win fun door prizes, and most importantly, have fun! Contact YOSC President Amy Devore by e-mail to amyldevore@gmail.com for more information.

Volunteers Needed for 34th Annual Mikoshi Parade – The CFAY 34th Annual Mikoshi Parade will be held Sept. 19 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eighty to 100 volunteers are needed to carry the CFAY-MWR mikoshi in the parade. To sign up, register at the International Programs Section in the ITT Office located next to Starbucks. Registration deadline is Sept. 7. Call 243-4731 for more information.

Defense Media Agency Holiday Greetings Video – The Defense Media Agency will be in Yokosuka Sept. 25 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Red Brick area in front of the Navy Exchange to film service members and their families' holiday greetings. Bring your family out and prepare a holiday greeting video.

American Red Cross (ARC) Courses and Training – September is National Preparedness Month. To find out more about preparedness and Noncombatant Evacuation Operations, stop by the CFAY Emergency Services and Red Cross display in front of the Yokosuka commissary Sept. 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ARC offers the following courses and training:

- Sept. 11: Adult CPR/AED (CPR Day, Free to 1st 40 people who register)
- Sept. 14, Oct. 12: I'm In Charge Class (ages 10-12), 3 to 5 p.m.
- Sept. 18: Babysitter's Training, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Sept. 22, Oct. 20: Dog and Cat First Aid, 4 to 6:30 p.m.
- Sept. 25, Oct. 9 and 23: Infant, Adult and Child CPR/AED and First Aid, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Yokosuka Red Cross needs volunteers. Whether you want to serve in a leadership capacity or offer a helping hand, the Yokosuka Red Cross is the place for you. Call Yokosuka Red Cross at 243-7490, or e-mail to Yokosuka@usa.redcross.org for more information.

Driver License Information Update – Your drivers license (Operator's Permit for Civilian Vehicle, USFJ Form 4 EJ) is normally issued for a period of four years which is long enough to cover your typical first tour in Yokosuka. The U.S. Government Motor Vehicle Operator's Permit (OF-346) is issued for a specific period as well. If you transfer activity or command within the Yokosuka area of responsibility, or your status has changed, you must update your license information to reflect your changes. You can update your information by bringing a copy of your new orders or letter of employment to the CFAY Licensing Office. Also, you can renew your license 90 days prior to the expiration date with your new orders or letter of employment. If you allow your license to expire you must re-attend the Area Orientation Brief-Traffic Safety Brief and successfully pass the written exam. Visit the CFAY Licensing Office at building J-196 Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. or call 243-9846 for more information.

Heroes 2011 submissions now being accepted

U.S. Navy SEAL and Petty Officer 1st Class David Goggins runs 135 miles through Death Valley, Calif., in 2007. Goggins has raised more than $250,000 for the Special Operations Warrior Foundation by running ultra-endurance races, and was one of those recognized in the Stars and Stripes 2010 Heroes edition. Stars and Stripes is now taking service member nominations for its 2011 edition.

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Stars and Stripes is calling for nominations for its 2011 Heroes edition, a special supplement honoring U.S. service members who have made outstanding contributions to their country.

Past editions of Heroes have exceeded one million copies in circulation and have been distributed in the Washington Post, as well as both the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives. The foreword is traditionally penned by the president.

There are two ways that service members can be accepted for a profile in the Heroes edition. One type of profile tells the story of a service member who exhibited uncommon bravery in the face of adversity. The service member will have the opportunity to tell their story, as well as recognize other service members in their unit who helped them achieve their distinction. To qualify, a service member must have been awarded, at minimum, a bronze star with a valor device.

The second type of profile does not require a specific award, but requires an extraordinary achievement or sacrifice. One example of this type of profile from the 2010 edition was Petty Officer 1st Class and Navy SEAL David Goggins, who raised more than $250,000 for the Special Operations Warrior Foundation by competing in ultra-endurance events.

To nominate a service member, send an e-mail to Stars and Stripes Yokosuka bureau reporter Erik Slavin at: slavine@pstripes.osd.mil. Please include the service member's name and rank, as well as a description of the service member's accomplishments. The nominations will be taken worldwide and are competitive, but all nominations meeting the criteria will be considered.

Digital versions of past Heroes editions are available at: www.stripes.com/news/special-reports/heroes.