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Ikego Track Night – Ikego Track Night is held every Wednesday at 6 p.m. Workout with people at your level. Run, walk, get fit, enjoy and meet new people. This workout is perfect for advanced runners and those interested in learning to run distances from 5k up to a marathon. Call 241-4486 for more information.

Changes regarding Common Access Card (CAC) appointments and procedures – The online appointment scheduler for Personnel Support Detachment Yokosuka is no longer in service. Walk-in service is Mondays through Fridays, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Head of the line privileges are as follows: Senior Officers (O-4 and above), Senior Enlisted (E-9), and Civil Service employees (GS-12 and above). Additionally, Department of Homeland Security has established new rules for documents that are required for identification and Issuance, or Re-issuance, of CAC Cards. Department of Defense (DoD) Civilian Employees Applicants need to bring two forms of ID, a letter of Employment and Emergency Essential Form (DD Form 2365), if applicable. DoD Civilian Dependents need to bring two forms of ID, DD Form 1172 signed by the sponsor and a letter of Employment.

Interested in becoming a Certified Mediator? – Opportunities are available for Sailors, civilians and Japanese Master Labor Contract (MLC) employees to become certified mediators. Mediators are neutral and objective members trained to facilitate resolution of workplace disputes. Successful mediators possess qualities to include fairness, patience, credibility, integrity, neutrality, active listening skill and a professional demeanor. Mediators assist participants with identifying issues, fostering joint problem solving and exploring settlement opportunities in a neutral environment. Mediators, however, do not make decisions or force a decision on the parties in the dispute. Mediation training includes an introduction to mediation skills, advance mediation skills, a screening and evaluation session to ensure candidates possess the skills required and three co-mediations with a certified mediator. Participation will require occasional time away from the office to attend training and to conduct mediations. Supervisory approval is required for participation in the Mediator Certification Program. Interested individuals contact the CNFJ Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) Program Manager at 243-9579.

Action Line correspondence may be edited for length and readability. Your questions, suggestions and "Bravo Zulu" comments are appreciated. Address concerns with your chain of command or directly with the parties involved, at the lowest level possible. If you don't get results, send an e-mail to cfay.pao.watch@fe.navy.mil. We welcome your feedback, especially if it is of a general nature and can help others. To contact the Seahawk, call 243-5607/3003 or send an e-mail to: Seahawk-Umitaka@fe.navy.mil.

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U.S. 7th Fleet executing global operations

By Navy Office of Information

"We are America's forward deployed, 'away team' that is absolutely crucial to the defense and the security of the United States of America. What you are doing in the Pacific is making history. What you will do in the Pacific will determine the future of the United States, not only in the Pacific but our place in the world for a long, long time to come."

– The Honorable Ray Mabus, Secretary of the Navy

The 7th Fleet area of responsibility, the largest of the Navy's numbered fleets, covers more than 48 million square miles of the Pacific and Indian Oceans. U.S. naval forces have maintained a continuous forward presence in this region for nearly two centuries, directly supporting U.S. interests, upholding key alliances and expanding maritime partnerships.

Forward presence.

• Mitigating the time it takes for ships based in the continental United States to reach the potential trouble spots in Asia, the constant presence of 7th Fleet's forward-deployed forces facilitates rapid response to both natural and manmade crises in the region. On any given day, there are more than 70 ships, hundreds of aircraft, and more than 40,000 Sailors and Marines on station in the 7th Fleet.

Power projection.

• Both the *USS George Washington* (CVN 73) and the *USS Nimitz* (CVN 68) Carrier Strike Groups are at sea conducting operations in the Western Pacific, bringing together the massive striking power of both carriers, *USS Chosin* (CG 65), *USS Cowpens* (CG 63), *USS Fitzgerald* (DDG 62), *USS McCampbell* (DDG 85), *USS Mustin* (DDG 89), *USS Pinckney* (DDG 91), *USS Rentz* (FFG 46), *USS Sampson* (DDG 102), and more than 120 aircraft from Carrier Air Wings 5 and 11.

Maritime Security.

• *USS Russell* (DDG 59) and *USS Crommelin* (FFG 37) are participating in Naval Engagement Activity 2009 in Indonesia. These ships also recently participated in Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT). CARAT is a series of bilateral exercises held annually with Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand to promote security at sea. These exercises are conducted in association with the regional exercise Southeast Asia Cooperation Against Terrorism (SEACAT).

Deterrence.

• 7th Fleet and its eight Task Forces are participating in Ulchi Freedom Guardian (UFG), a computer-assisted exercise that demonstrates U.S. Navy and Republic of Korea Navy interoperability. Our solid alliance and constant readiness have successfully deterred aggression on the Korean peninsula for more than five decades.

Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Response.

• USNS Richard E. Byrd (T-AKE 4) along with the 240-member Pacific Partnership (PP09) team are in Kiribati conducting humanitarian and civic action projects as part of a four-month mission to five countries in the Oceania region, conducted with partner nations, non-governmental organizations and other U.S. agencies, to help thousands across the region.

Key Messages.

• 7th Fleet promotes regional stability and enables prosperity by maintaining credible combat readiness.

• 7th Fleet forces operate on a continuous basis and obtain critical local knowledge – increasing opportunities to train and operate with U.S. allies, friends and partners.

• 7th Fleet's forward-deployed naval forces allow for a rapid response to any crisis, natural or manmade.

• 7th Fleet is first and foremost a warfighting command. In peace, we build partnerships and deter aggression. In war, we will prevail.

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