



U.S. Navy Airman Austin Russem, Electronic Attack Squadron 13, Whidbey Island, Wa., performs a pre-flight inspection on an EA-18 Growler during Max Thunder 16 at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 18, 2016. Exercise Max Thunder is part of a continuous exercise program to enhance interoperability between U.S. and ROK forces. (U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)

Kunsan launches Exercise Max Thunder 16

By 1st Lt. Ashley Wright 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- U.S. Air Force, Army, Marine Corps and Navy personnel and aircraft are training with Republic of Korea Air Force counterparts in the bilateral training exercise Max Thunder 16, at Kunsan AB, April 15 to 29.

Exercise Max Thunder is held annually, and is the largest military flying exercise held on the Korean Peninsula. Max Thunder is part of a continuous exercise program designed to enhance interoperability between U.S. and ROK forces, and highlights the long-standing military partnership, commitment and enduring friendship between the two nations to help ensure peace and security in Northeast Asia.

"Every year, Max Thunder serves as an excellent opportunity for U.S. and RO-KAF fighter pilots to train side-by-side and gain valuable experience they will need if the Korea air power team is required to go into aerial combat together," said Lt. Gen. Terrence J. O'Shaughnessy, Seventh Air Force commander. "The U.S. commitment to the security of the Republic of Korea is unwavering. U.S. military aircraft come to Korea from across the Pacific to participate in this exercise, making a tremendous display of the capabilities the U.S. brings to this alliance."

Approximately 1,200 U.S. personnel are participating in Max Thunder 16 in support of F-16 aircraft from 7th Air Force; F-18 aircraft from the 12th Marine Aircraft Group; and EA-18G aircraft from Electronic Attack Squadron 138 (USN VAQ-138).

Six-hundred and forty ROK personnel are also participating in the exercise, in support of KF-16, F-15K, F-5E, F-4E, FA-50, KA-1, UH-60, C-130 and CN 235 aircraft.





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Letter to Airmen: COMPACAF delivers message about sexual assault

By Gen. Lori J. Robinson

PACAF commander, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii

-- This month, we observe the twelfth annual Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month with the theme, "Eliminate Sexual Assault: Know Your Part. Do Your Part." It is clear, our Air Force does not tolerate, condone, or ignore sexual assault. Moreover, I call on you to be part of the solution by living our Core Values each and every day while possessing the social courage to "Do Your Part" to intervene when appropriate, to report crimes, and to support victims. #notjustApril highlights the importance of sexual assault prevention and response every day of the year.

Eliminating sexual assault requires every Airman to be an active participant. We all have a role in treating others with dignity and respect, understanding bystander intervention to help identify and stop unsafe behavior and in eliminating social and professional retaliation against victims who report sexual assault. We hope that victims feel secured and empowered in coming forward with their allegations, and secure in the fact that their reports will be taken seriously.

This year, Commanders and SAPR teams have been innovative in creating interactive activities to combat sexual assault, such as Hickam's "Single Airmen Resiliency Retreat," Kadena's "Take Back the Night" rally and march, and Osan's "Clothesline Project." Other installations are hosting proclamation signings, leadership panels/summits, storytellers' events, and screenings of "The Hunting Ground" to raise awareness and promote prevention.

I encourage you to attend the SAAPM events scheduled on your base. For more information please contact your unit SAPR office.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts and commitment to creating a safe and mutually respectful workplace for all Airmen -- together, we will eliminate sexual assault from our Air Force!

Wolf Pack breaks the ice for Max Thunder 16-1

By Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- The 8th Fighter Wing hosted an "Ice Breaker" for Max Thunder 16-1 here

April 15. The Ice Breaker was held to welcome incoming follow-on forces from the Republic of Korea air force, U.S. Navy and the U.S. Marine Corps. This exercise is held annually to integrate U.S. and ROK forces to train for air-to-air and air-to-ground missions to continuously improve mutual understanding and cooperation between the two nations.



Col. Jeremy Sloane, 8th Fighter Wing commander, Col. Seong-Bok Lee, 38th Fighter Group commander, Col. Bang Jung Ryul, Korean Air Force Operation Command A8 and A9 chief, laugh together during a Max Thunder Ice Breaker April 15, 2016. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)

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Lt. Gen. Terrence J. O'Shaughnessy, 7th Air Force commander, and Lt. Gen. Lee, Wang Kun, commander of the ROK Air Force Operations Command, answer questions during a media day interview at Kunsan Air Base, ROK, April 20, 2016. The interview was held as part of Max Thunder 16, which is an exercise used to enhance interoperability between U.S. and ROK forces. (U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)



An F-15K Slam Eagle pilot from the 11th Fighter Wing, Daegu Air Base, inspects his aircraft as an F-18 from Marine Air Group 12, Marine Corps. Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, takes off on the flightline during Max Thunder 16 at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April, 20, 2016. This exercise is held annually to integrate U.S. and ROK forces to train for air-to-air and air-to-ground missions to continuously sharpen mutual understanding and cooperation between the two nations.

Osan firefighters train ROK, US soldiers during exercise



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Eric Gayoso, center, 51st Civil Engineer Squadron fire prevention crew chief, briefs members of the Joint Security Area Security Battalion on aircraft extraction techniques during a joint search and recovery exercise April 8, 2016, at Camp Bonifas, Republic of Korea. The firefighters assisted with the exercise by teaching ROK and U.S. Soldiers on how to enter crashed aircraft by cutting through with specialized equipment such as a circular saw and Jaws of Life. (U.S. Air Force photos by Senior Airman Dillian Bamman)

By Senior Airman Dillian Bamman

51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

CAMP BONIFAS, Republic of Korea -- Firefighters from the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron assisted Joint Security Area service members with rescue tools and safety precautions during a joint exercise April 8, here.

Republic of Korea and U.S. Army members practiced search and recovery techniques after a simulated aircraft crash north of the Korean Demilitarized Zone.

"This exercise is to show that our soldiers have the skills necessary to extract and treat casualties from the aircraft and to get to that aircraft safely to an area that is potentially mined or has unexploded ordnance," said U.S. Army Lt. Col. Christopher Nyland, United Nations Command Security Battalion commander.

Every month, the United Nations Command exercises their right to train in accordance to the Korean Armistice Agreement. During this iteration, the security battalion called upon the Osan fire prevention flight for assistance.

"They have been helping us make sure we have the right tools in our toolkit ... and to train these soldiers and our leaders on how to gain entry into a crashed aircraft," said Nyland. "They were able to join us on this exercise and provide their observations and critique on how well we're using these lessons and applying them in a tactical scenario. We've really opened our aperture on how to utilize these tools thanks to them."

The exercise incorporated a wooden structure filled with simulated injured service members to simulate a downed helicopter. Security battalion soldiers used their new equipment like a circular saw and Jaws of Life to enter the aircraft safely and without further injuring the individuals inside.

"In a perfect world, a downed helicopter will land straight down, but oftentimes that is not the case," said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Nathaniel Andrews, 51st CES fire prevention crew chief. "We're here to ensure they're able to work around situations like this to save lives. Our big part of this exercise is making sure these soldiers are able to safely enter the downed aircraft and extricate patients for medical help."

"For example, if someone is pinned inside the aircraft, you could use the Jaws of Life to pry open the cuts made with a saw to ensure we don't further injure the individuals," he added.

"I'm glad we were able to come out and train with the Army," said Andrews. "Especially coming up to Camp Bonifas, where the threat is real. Helping them out with

this certainly shows the strong alliance we have here."

The Osan fire prevention team plans to continue participation in exercises with the JSA Security Battalion to ensure the peace and stability on the Korea Peninsula.



Republic of Korea and U.S. Army Joint Security Area Security Battalion fire team members four-man carry a simulated injured service member during a joint search and recovery exercise April 8, 2016, at Camp Bonifas, Republic of Korea. 51st Civil Engineer Squadron fire prevention firefighters assisted in the exercise by teaching ROK and U.S. Soldiers how to safely enter a crashed aircraft to rescue individuals.

Wolf Pack earns Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Pacific Air Forces announced their recipients of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award April 6. The 8th Fighter Wing earned the award for exceptional meritorious service for the period of Nov. 1, 2013 through Oct. 31, 2015.

According to the award's description, AFOUAs are given to numbered units that have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious service or outstanding achievement that clearly sets the unit above and apart from similar units.

"This award speaks to all the great work the Wolf Pack puts in ensuring we're able to stand with our Republic of Korea teammates protecting the 50 million residents of this country," said Col. Jeremy Sloane, 8th Fighter Wing commander. "Wolf Chief and I are honored to serve with the Wolf Pack and everyone who had a hand in helping the wing earn this award the past two years should be proud of their efforts."

The 8th Force Support Squadron's Military Personnel Section will conduct a batch update for Airmen currently assigned to the 8th FW who were here during the award period. Personnel who have since had a permanent change of station or permanent

change of assignment and are entitled to share in the unit award should report to their local FSS for assistance.

Air Force civilian employees should report to their servicing Civilian Personnel Section to have the award documented in the Defense Civilian Personnel Data System and receive the appropriate lapel pin.

Veterans should report to their local Veterans Administration offices for assistance.

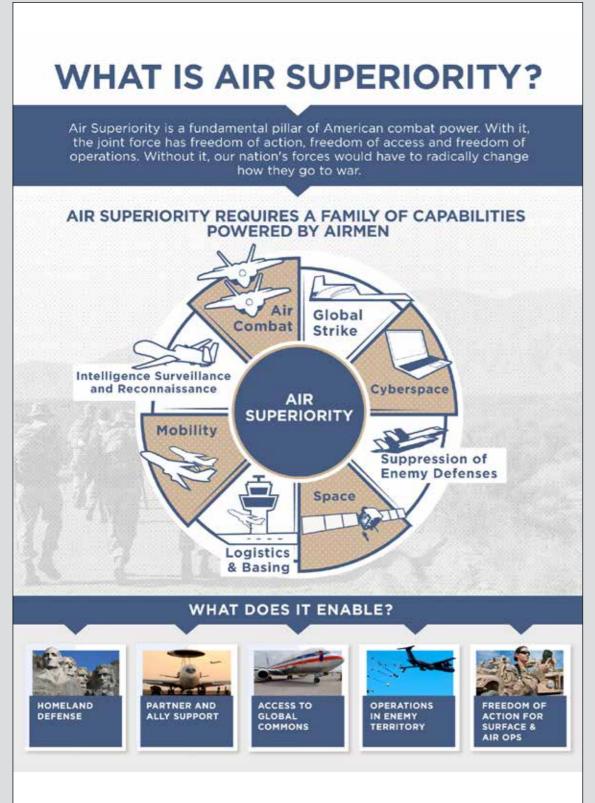


Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, awarded to units which have outstanding achievement that clearly sets the unit above of national or international significance, combat operations against an armed enemy of the United States, or military operations involving conflict with or exposure to hostile actions by an opposing foreign force.

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AF introduces Air Superiority 2030 study



By Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- The Air Force introduced the results of a yearlong study focused on developing capability options to ensure joint force air superiority in 2030 and beyond during an Air Force Association breakfast April 7 in Arlington, Virginia.

According to Lt. Gen. Mike Holmes, the Air Force deputy chief of staff for strategic plans and requirements, the gap between the U.S. military's air superiority capabilities and potential adversaries' network of capabilities is closing at an accelerated rate.

In order to counter emerging threats, air superiority must be viewed as a condition, not capability, using multi-domain solutions developed through a more agile acquisition process.

"After 25 years of being the only great power out there, we're returning to a world of great power competition," Holmes said. "We need to develop coordinated solutions that bring air, space, cyber, electronic environment and surface capabilities together to solve our problems.

"Air superiority is the most important thing the Air Force provides for the joint force in the tactical environment," Holmes continued. "I don't believe there is anyone in our armed forces who has ever fought a combined arms battle without complete control of the air, and there's no one in our armed forces who has ever fought a combined arms battle against an enemy armed with precision weapons."

With direction from Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Mark A. Welsh III, Air Force operators, acquirers and analysts formed an enterprise capability collaboration team to evaluate these problems from a new vantage point to propose solutions and lay out a plan to achieve those solutions as quickly as possible.

The ECCT looked to military experts, academia and industry for input and then conducted integrated planning, analysis and assessments. More than 1,500 submissions were distilled into 220 initiatives, which were then divided into various operational concepts. Eventually the team determined an integrated and networked family of capabilities operating across air, space and cyberspace was the most viable option.

"There's no silver bullet," said Col. Alexus Grynkewich, the Air Superiority 2030 ECCT lead. "We have to match tech cycles -- some of them are really long. Engines take a long time to make, but information age tech cycles are fast. Software updates are constantly moving. So how do you move from pacing yourself off industrial age mindsets to information age mindsets?"

The answer, Grynkewich said, is parallel development of maturing technologies for sensors, missions systems, lethality and non-kinetic effects, on appropriate time cycles. The next step is to pull technologies out of each of those parallel efforts when they are ready and developing prototypes, experimenting and gaining more knowledge to determine if the developments are what's needed in the field.

Using cell phones as an example, the colonel compared the current acquisition process to the way his team sees agile acquisition happening in the future in order to maintain air superiority. In the past, the Air Force has pushed for "generational" technological advances equivalent to the transition from flip phones to smartphones, he said. It should instead be pursuing incremental advances like the upgrades provided by newer and newer versions of smart phones and continuing to upgrade along the way instead of waiting for a revolutionary jump in technology.

"What we hope to lay out is a way to prototype and experiment with a number of concepts," Grynkewich said. "You can start building and then move forward if experimental capabilities are determined to make enough of a difference in highly contested environments of the future."

In order to achieve air superiority in the future, bringing agility to multi-domain acquisitions is crucial.

"We've talked about acquisition agility a number of times in terms of, 'How do we save money' and not wasting taxpayer dollars is absolutely important," Grynkewich said. "But there's an operational imperative that says we have to do this and if we don't we're at a risk of failing as an Air Force and a joint force."

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KUNSAN AIR BASE

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Gospel Service Sunday, 1 p.m. Main Chapel, Bldg. 501 Contemporary Service Sunday, 5 p.m. Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

Catholic Mass

Catholic Mass Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Main Chapel, Bldg. 501 Daily Mass & Reconciliation Please call the chapel

General Services

Church of Christ Sunday, 11 a.m. SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510

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SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510
Earth-Based Religions
Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
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Daily Mass

Tuesday — Thursday, 11:30 a.m. Saturday, 5 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. **Reconciliation** Saturday, 4 p.m.

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South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702 Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday, 11 a.m. South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702 **Gospel Service**

Sunday, 1 p.m. South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702

Pentecostal Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597

Sunday, 4 p.m.

South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702 Seventh-Day Adventist Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel

KATUSA Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Memorial Chapel , Bldg 1597

Catholic Mass

Sunday, 8 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Saturday, 5 p.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
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Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
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Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
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Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel

General Service

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Ch, Capt. Myung Cho 51st Fighter Wing Chapel

When you look in your wallet, you probably have credit cards, a common access card, and some American or Korean currency. You may even have a 50,000 Korean won bill in your wallet. By any chance, did you stop for a moment and ask, "Who is the woman on the 50,000 won bill?" and "Why is she so important to Koreans?" Well, here is the answer to your questions.

The person on the 50,000 won bill is Shin Saimdang, also known as "Wise Mother." She was born on 29 October 1504, and raised in Gangneung, South Korea. During the 1500's, in the Joseon Dynasty, it was customary to believe women should not be educated, or treated equal to men. However, Shin Saimdong's grandfather gave her the same opportunities as he would give to his grandsons. Her grandfather created an environment that was fundamental to her personal growth and development. Growing up in that positive atmosphere she was encouraged to learn calligraphy, embroidery, painting and more.

When she was 19 years old she married Commander Yi Wonsu. With his support, encouragement, and understanding Saimdang continued to cultivate her talents in calligraphy, embroidery, and painting. Her artistic style was greatly praised by high-ranking officials and connoisseurs. One of the scholarswho praised her work, Eo Sukgwon, mentioned in his book, *Paegwan Japgi (The Storyteller's Miscellany)*, that her paintings of fruit and landscapes compared to those of the distinguished artist *Ahn Gyeon*, a famous painter in the early Joseon Dynasty.

When Shin Saimdang gave birth to her son Yi I she encouraged him the same way her grandfather encouraged her. Yi I grew up to be one of the most prominent Korean Confucian Scholars of the Joseon Dynasty. (Hint: his picture is on the 5000 won bill.)

At age 48, Saimdang suddenly died after moving to the Pyongan region. Though Saimdang died at a relatively young age her impact on Korean culture was just beginning. Her art, writings, calligraphy, and poetry are legendary. In addition, her son, the prominent Confucian scholar, made many contributions to Korean culture. In 1868, the governor of Gangneung remarked, "Saimdang's calligraphy is thoughtfully written, with nobility and elegance, serenity and purity, and filled with the lady's virtue."

Saimdang became a great person in Korean culture because she was encouraged by her grandfather, parents, and husband. The healthy environment in which she was encouraged is a great example of what we can do with our time in the military. What if we created and fostered a healthy environment for our co-workers, friends, and neighbors? What if we encouraged one another to believe anything is possible?

Who knows, maybe your neighbor, co-worker, or friend will accomplish great things because you encouraged them and created a healthy environment in which they could thrive. They might be the next Shin Saimdang.

Hebrews 3:13 states: But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. This weekend when you pull out your wallet to buy some Korean food or a souvenir for your mom, look at the Korean hero on the 50,000 won bill and imagine what can be







8 MXS makes history with third consecutive load crew competition win



A balloon is tied on a string before the start of a jammer driving contest during a first quarter load crew of the quarter competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 8, 2016. During this contest, two jammer drivers from different units battled it out head-to-head, maneuvering their way around cones towards two balloon station. The first driver to pop the balloon and return to his parking spot won the contest. These competitions highlight the high level of proficiency and job knowledge among Airmen in the maintenance community. (U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)

By Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- One way the Wolf Pack shows the value of superior technical and weapons system expertise is through quarterly weapons load competitions.

Three-man teams of Airmen from the 8th Maintenance Squadron, 80th and 35th Aircraft Maintenance Units battled it out during 2016's first-quarter Load Crew of the Quarter competition April 8, 2016, to showcase teamwork, precision and attention to detail.

"Each person has a particular job in order to accomplish the overall task," said Master Sgt. Jason R. Sinkar, 8th Maintenance Group weapons standardization superintendent. "Their attention to detail must be above reproach as far as items they inspect, what they're looking at and what they're portraying to their team leader because they're evaluated during the competition."

Additionally, these crews of technicians are evaluated once a month by the same individuals who judge the competition to ensure they remain proficient at their jobs.

"Together, each member of the crews have to be able to mesh each of their responsibilities," Sinkar said. "The leader of the crew has to guide and facilitate the overall process."

The rivalry between each of the crews gives maintainers an opportunity to show-case their efficiency, skills and levels of experience as maintenance professionals.

"Everyone takes pride within their unit, and a friendly rivalry sparks individuals to try to be better than everyone else, which raises everyone's standards," Sinkar said. "The 35th AMU against the 80th AMU historically has been the one here, but right now we include the 8th MXS in that as well."

The 8th MXS has been included in the quarterly load competitions over the last year because they are in the same career field, and thus, certified to load munitions and augment both the 35th and 80th AMU's when they are needed.

This quarter, the 8th MXS won the competition for the third consecutive quarter



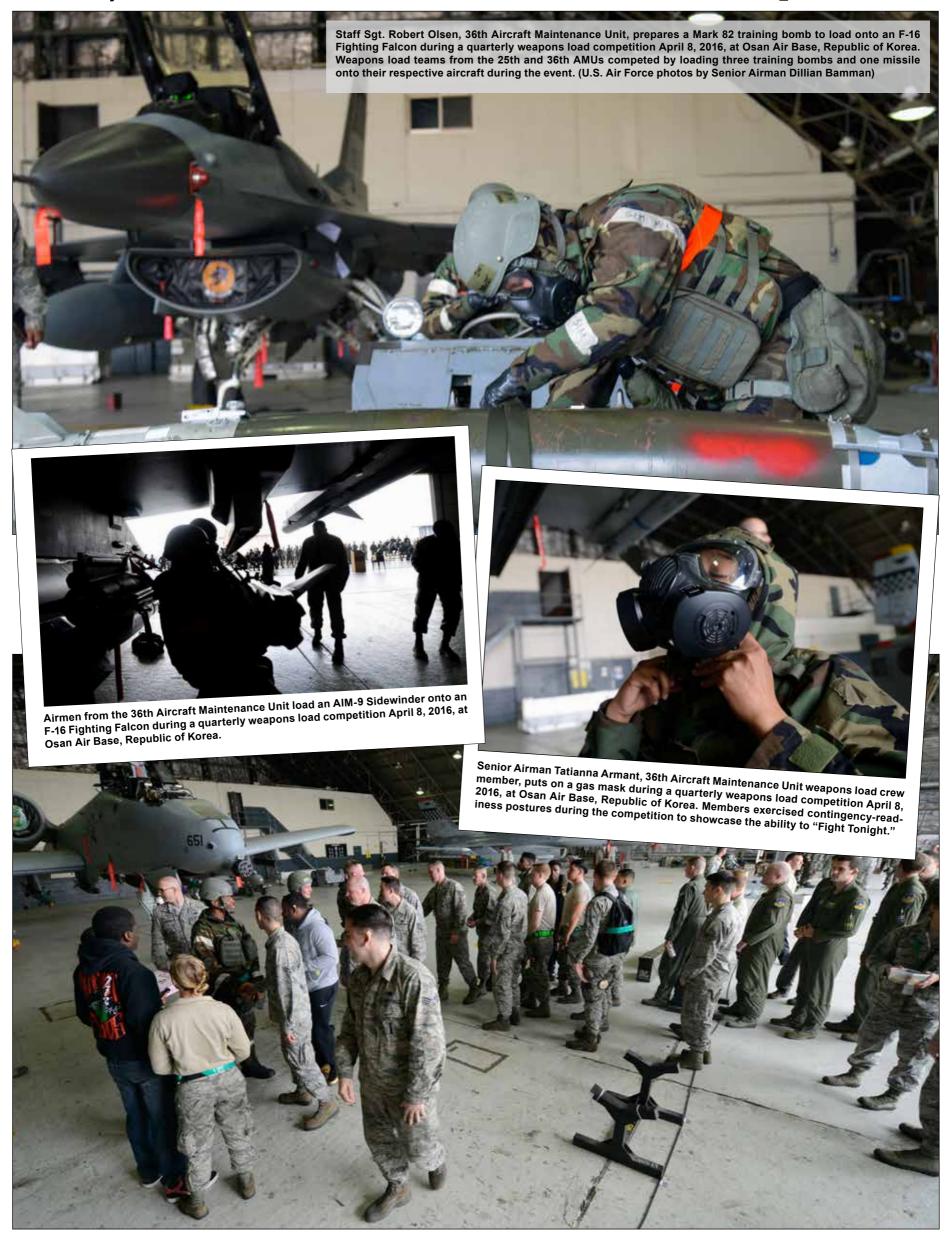
senior Airman Jonathan White, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew member, tightens a bolt to close a panel during a first quarter load crew of the quarter competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 8, 2016. One way the Wolf Pack shows the value of superior technical and weapons system expertise is through quarterly weapons load competitions, which help ensure Airmen remain proficient at their jobs. The 8th MXS won the quarterly competition for the third time in a row, which is a first by the same group of Airmen at the Wolf Pack.

in a row. This is the first time in Wolf Pack history this has ever been achieved by an augmented load crew.

"We have that drive! We have that passion! We have the talent and mentality to not only get it done, but to go above and beyond to accomplish any given task," said Senior Airman Matthew Dunar, 8th MXS weapons load team member and jammer

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25th, 36th AMUs face off in load competition



Attendees shake hands with competitors after a quarterly weapons load competition April 8, 2016, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. Weapons load teams from the 25th and 36th Aircraft Maintenance Units competed in dress and appearance, timing and technical order accuracy during the competition. The 36th AMU prevailed, winning the competition.

North Korean refugees share journey with Osan Airmen

By Staff Sgt. Jonathan Steffen 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Two North Korean defectors shared their story of coming to the Republic of Korea to a crowd of Osan Airmen during an open forum here March 6.

The two refugees, Ken Eom and Sehyek Oh, are members a program called "Teach North Korean Refugees," which teaches English and other languages to refugees.

The program, managed by Casey Lartigue, also focuses on writing, public speaking and presenting, so that refuges can tell their story in their own words.

"The main thing we do is help the refugees find their way and to tell their stories," said Lartigue.

The first speaker, Eom, shared his experiences of being in the North Korean army and how he escaped from the regime. He concluded his speech with his hopes for the Korean Peninsula to be someday united.

"I strongly believe one day that Korea will be unified. When that day comes I would like to take you to my hometown to see my family and friends," said Eom.

The second speaker, Oh, spoke about his experiences living in North Korea and defecting to the Republic of Korea.

The most compelling factor in his escape from North Korea was that he grew up living in poverty. He shared that there were times he went several days without food.

"I rather risk getting captured and being executed than to die from hunger," said Oh during his account of his escape.

After both speakers presented their stories, they concluded the event with a Q&A session with Team Osan members in the audience.



Ken Eom, a speaker from Teach North Korea Refugees, answers questions about his life in North Korea March 6, 2016, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. The TNKR is a program to teach English and allow North Korea defectors to tell their story. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jonathan Steffen)

Dragon Brigade Crowns"Best Warriors" in Peninsula-Wide Competition



Pfc. Antonio Navarro, F Company, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment, high crawls under a barbed wire obstacle during 35th ADA Brigade's 2016 Best Warrior Competition at Camp Casey, Republic of Korea, April 12, 2016. The event tested Soldiers' mental and physical fitness as well as their technical and tactical knowledge of basic Soldier tasks and skillsets.



The competitors and winners of the 2016 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade Best Warrior Competition, which began on Osan Air Base and ended in Camp Casey, Republic of Korea, April 11-15, 2016, pose for a group photo during their award ceremony where winners are in the front row left to right, 1st Lt. Gabriel Valdez, physician assistant, 2nd Battalion, 1st ADA Regiment, native of San Antonio, Texas, Staff Sgt. Todd Wilson, platoon sergeant, 6th Battalion, 52nd ADA Regiment, native of Mount Clemens, Michigan, Spc. Thomas Doctor, command group driver, 2-1 ADA, native of Oceanside, California, and Korean Augmentee to the U.S. Army Sgt. Seungoo Han, human resources specialist, 6-52 ADA, native of Mokpo, South Korea. The remaining competitors in the second row left to right are 2ndLt. Derek Sanchez, tactical control officer, 6-52 ADA, native of Denver, Colorado, Sgt. Alanson Williams, early warning systems operator, 2-1 ADA, hometown of Mount Vernon, Illinois, Staff Sgt. Andrew Antolini, Patriot missile system repair, 6-52 ADA, native of Fountain, Colorado, 1st Lt. Osvaldo Lopez, executive officer, 6-52 ADA, native of Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, Pvt. Dante Smith, signal support specialist, 6-52 ADA, native of Orlando, Florida, Pfc. Antonio Navarro, utility equipment repair specialist, 6-52 ADA, native of Spring Valley, California, KATUSA Cpl. Kyungjoon Lee, human resources specialist, 2-1 ADA, and KATUSA Pfc. Gwang Moo Heo, town patrol, 35th ADA Brigade, both natives of Seoul, South Korea. The competition is held for officers, noncommissioned officers, junior Soldiers and KATUSAsto compete within their categories against other brigade Soldiers for title of Best Warrior. (U.S. Army photos by Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton)

By U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Kelly Carlton

35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea – Officers, noncommissioned officers, junior Soldiers and Korean Augmentees to the U.S. Army competed in the 2016 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade Best Warrior Competition held at several installations across the Korean Peninsula, April 11-15, 2016.

The 35th ADA Brigade holds the Best Warrior Competition annually to test Soldiers'military bearing, tactical knowledge, warrior competency, physical stamina, and expert proficiency in warrior tasks and battle drills.

Soldiers representing 2nd Battalion, 1st ADA Regiment, 6th Battalion, 52nd ADA Regiment and Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th ADA Brigade, competed for the title of Best Warrior in each of the four categories to see which competitor would rise above adversity and proceed to the Eighth Army Best Warrior Competition which will be held in May.

An officer who has one win under his belt from last year is competing again this year.

"This competition is important to help us train and set goals for ourselves," 1st Lt. Gabriel Valdez, a native of San Antonio, Texas and a physician assistant with HHB, 2-1 ADA, said. "I have Soldiers under me that I learn new things from every day. I'm not only out here competing for myself, I am out here to compete for them."

The competition began April 11, 2016, on Osan Air Base with an Army Physical Fitness Test, a Soldier knowledge board, a written knowledge test and a grueling Cross Fit event. It ended April 15, 2016, on Camp Casey with an early morning 12-mile foot march with a plethora of mentally and physically demanding tasks in between.

One KATUSA struggled during the competition but never quit.

"It felt great when the U.S. Soldiers cheered me on during the times I was having trouble," said KATUSA Pfc. Gwang Moo Heo, native of Seoul, Republic of Korea, who works town patrol for HHB, 35th ADA Brigade.

Command Sgt. Maj. Eric McCray, command sergeant major, 35th ADA Brigade stopped at Camp Casey to watch the water survivability event and he observed that it was especially difficult for the KATUSAs.

He offered words of encouragement after seeing how committed the competitors were to finishing even with their fear brought on by the deep water beneath them.

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competition," McCray said. "You committed to do it and that just shows our partnership. We are reaffirming our commitment every day when you do what most people don't have the courage to do and none of it is lost on your leadership."

One KATUSA said his personal reason for being in this competition seemed to echo McCray's observations.

Heo said he actually lives in the U.S. as a Korean citizen attending Ohio State University, and he recently returned to fulfill his native country's mandatory military service. He didn't have to become a KATUSA or compete in competitions like this but something else motivated him to compete.

"From the beginning, I knew I wasn't going to win this competition but I came here to challenge myself to be a stronger person," Heo said. "Even though I finished last, I think I got what I wanted."

The winners and a complete list of competitors are as follows:

Officer First Place - 1st Lt. Gabriel Valdez, physician assistant, HHB, 2-1 ADA, hometown of San Antonio, Texas.

Officer Second Place - 2nd Lt. Derek Sanchez, tactical control officer, C Battery, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Denver, Colorado.

Officer Third Place - 1st Lt. Osvaldo Lopez, executive officer, HHB, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

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NCO Second Place - Staff Sgt. Andrew Antolini, Patriot missile system repair, F Company, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Fountain, Colorado.

NCO Third Place - Sgt. Alanson Williams, early warning systems operator, A Battery, 2-1 ADA, hometown of Mount Vernon, Illinois.

Junior Soldier First Place - Spc. Thomas Doctor, command group driver, HHB, 2-1 ADA, hometown of Oceanside, California.

Junior Soldier Second Place Tie - Pfc. Antonio Navarro, utility equipment repair specialist, F Company, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Spring Valley, California.

Junior Soldier Second Place Tie - Pvt. Dante Smith, signal support specialist, A Battery, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Orlando, Florida.

KATUSA First Place - Sgt. Seungoo Han, human resources specialist, C Battery, 6-52 ADA, hometown of Mokpo, South Korea.

KATUSA Second Place - Cpl. Kyungjoon Lee, human resources specialist, HHB, 2-1 ADA, hometown of Seoul, South Korea.

KATUSA Third Place - Pfc. Gwang Moo Heo, town patrol, HHB, 35th ADA Brigade, hometown of Seoul, South Korea.

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Senior Airman Billy Johnson, 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew member, selects a tool during a first quarter load crew of the quarter competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 8, 2016. The competition provides Airmen an opportunity to showcase their efficiency, skills and levels of experience as maintenance professionals.

driver. "Our team has done a good job at consistently coming together as a cohesive unit throughout the year."

Dunar feels that his fellow load crew members have been able to go the extra mile and give 110% effort to any challenge placed in front of them because of the morale and support that the squadron provides. Putting challenges in front of the young specialists of today can help to mold them into future leaders.

"As the maintenance squadrons provide opportunities like this, it not only allows our technicians to showcase their talents, but it sets them up for weapons-loading challenges that may come their way in the years to come," said Master Sgt. Anthony Higuera, 80th AMU weapons section chief. "It also allows load crews to see the legacy that was laid in the past by our prior weapons loaders. I definitely remember how the load competitions made me want to strive for that excellence when I was younger."

Working under stress to overcome a challenge gives Airmen an opportunity to practice for when they might need to effectively load weapons that enable pilots to destroy their adversaries. In order to do this effectively maintainers are equipped with technical orders (T.O.), which are checklists that help them complete each task safely and reliably.

"If we miss one step in our T.O., then the weapon might not launch correctly or be reliable," said Senior Airman Raymond Gates, 80th AMU weapons load team member. "My T.O. is like my bible. It's what I live. It's what I breathe. I can't do my job without it."

As load members use T.O.s to get their munitions loaded, the team leads maintain a balancing act to keep an eye on everyone's safety while simultaneously working to ensure each weapon is wired correctly.

"I need to make sure my guys are safe no matter what," said Staff Sgt. Ernesto Sierra, 80th AMU weapons load team leader. "If they tell me something is wrong, or if something could possibly injure them, then we'll have to take a time out. Everyone on the team has a family. I need to ensure they get back home the way they arrived after their tour in Korea."

In spite of the job's dangers, the quarterly load competitions allow men and women to demonstrate their abilities to their leadership. That way, there is no doubt in their minds that when the time comes, their specialists can deliver the business end of the mission to the enemy's back door.

"I trust that we can rely on not only on our weapons crews, but Wolf Pack Airmen as a whole," Sinkar said. "Everyone has an important job within the Air Force. While the pilots are the products of what everyone supports, load crews are responsible for putting the weapons on the aircraft to make them deadly."



Senior Airman Matthew Dunar, busts a balloon open during the jammer driving portion of the first quarter load crew of the quarter competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 8, 2016. During this contest, two jammer drivers from different units battled it out went head-to-head, maneuvering their way around cones towards two balloon station. The first driver to pop the balloon and return to his parking spot won the contest. In an effort to motivate Airmen, help them remain proficient at their jobs and boost morale, these competitions are held quarterly.



The 8th MXS won the first quarter load crew of the quarter competition for the third consecutive quarter in a row at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 8, 2016. This is the first time in Wolf Pack history this has ever been achieved by an augmented load crew. Three-man teams of Airmen from Kunsan's 80th and 35th Aircraft Maintenance Units battled it out against Airmen from the 8th MXS during 2016's first-quarter Load Crew of the Quarter competition to showcase teamwork, precision and attention to detail among Airmen. (U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)

AF New Parent Support Program helps families care for infants, toddlers



Master Sgt. Joseph Molzen, assigned to the 107th Security Forces Squadron at Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station, N.Y., sees his newborn daughter for the first time. Molzen was one of more than 30 Airmen from the 107th SFS to return from a six-month deployment to Southwest Asia, Feb. 4-5, 2016. (U.S. Air National Guard photo/Staff Sgt. Ryan Campbell)

By Prerana Korpe

Air Force Surgeon General Public Affairs

FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AFNS) -- Vital to children's health is development, which occurs in the early years from birth to age 3.

As newborns grow into infants and infants become toddlers, they go through a series of developmental milestones such as first words, first steps and skills to wave "hello" or "goodbye." The needs of children -- physical, social, emotional and educational -- affect how they develop and learn, speak, behave and even play.

The Air Force New Parent Support Program provides information, support and guidance to parents as they care for their newborns, infants and toddlers. The program helps military families learn about the growth and development of infants and toddlers, to prepare for the changes that come as a baby is born, grows and develops.

"Our children really are a precious resource," said Margaret Walker, director of the Air Force Family Advocacy Nursing and New Parent Support Program. "It is recommended parents get involved in the New Parent Support Program to learn about caring for (their children) to maximize their growth and development."

Funded by the Defense Department, the program is available free of charge to beneficiaries eligible for care in military treatment facilities, including those who are expecting a baby, planning to adopt a baby between the ages of birth to 3 years or have children in the home between the ages of birth to 3 years. Program services include information and education related to pregnancy; labor and delivery; infant and toddler care, safety, growth and development; parenting skills; couple communication; and stress management.

"What we find when we provide services to this population of families -- new parents or expectant -- is that it is such a very positive time in the family's life. There is so much expectation and hope for the future," Walker said. "Families are really open to information and support. Parents want to be the best they can be in this new job, which can be really challenging, especially for military families who may be separated from their own families and support systems."

The Air Force New Parent Support Program is a component of the Family Advocacy Program and is staffed primarily with registered nurses and augmented by medical social workers. Support and guidance offered through the program focuses on growth and development, care, safety and feeding (including during the prenatal timeframe) for families with newborns, infants and toddlers. The program provides information on the typical development of a baby from birth onwards and the importance of certain types of support necessary for an infant's healthy growth.

The program's enrollment process begins with assessment of a family's unique circumstances. Families can request specific information to assist in the new parent journey. Services provided are based on the assessment and family's requests and may include referrals to community or other local services that are appropriate for prenatal families and families with young children. These services may include breastfeeding classes, car seat checks or the Women, Infants and Children Program.

Certain program services can be provided right at home. For example, program staff can provide information to help an expectant family set up their home nursery and baby-proof the home.

To get started with NPSP, families should contact the installation Family Advocacy Program office and ask for a referral to the program. Walker advises that the program has something for everyone, whether they're newly expectant parents or a family that already has several children.

"It is such a privilege to be invited to be a part of the new or expectant parents' experience -- to help them learn to better take care of themselves, support their partners and take care of their new babies as they grow and develop," Walker said. "We provide support for parents as they care for their young children in a military family setting."

The New Parent Support Program is available at most Air Force bases. To find out more, visit Military OneSource, select "New Parent Support Program" and enter the name of your installation.

Stay tuned throughout April, as Air Force Medical Service continues the month-long series on military children's health.

COMMUNITY BRIE

Kunsan

Illmagwon Orphanage

Join Airmen from across the base in a wing chapel-sponsored event as they travel down to the Illmagwon Orphanage in Gunsan City every Tuesday at 6 p.m. for an evening of playing games and learning more about the local culture. For more information, contact the chapel at 782-4300.

Single Airmen Game Night

Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Sonlight Inn. Everyone's welcome, special invite for all Single Airmen!

For more information contact, Senior Airman Jenfil Morillo-Burgos.

Kunsan Photo Club

Interested in sharing your photography experience with others and exploring Korea along the way? Have a camera, but want to learn how to use it more completely? Then join the Kunsan Photo Club as they delve into the finer qualities of photography where the key concept is: "It's not the camera that makes a great photo, but the photographer." If interested in joining, the group can be found on Facebook, just search for "Kunsan Photo Club."

Wolf Pack Lodge

Lodging Space A Policy

Need a break? Got family visiting and no room to house them? You can book lodging rooms on a space available basis up to 120 days in advance for a maximum of 30 days depending on availability. You can also book reservations for the holiday season (November and December) up to 30 days in advance for a maximum of 15 days. (Depending on availability) Book now for all of those relatives coming for the holiday!

Reservations - Front Desk-DSN 782-1844 or Commercial (82)63-470-1844 FAX: DSN 315-782-0633 Commercial (82)63-470-0633

Children's English class

Team 5/6 is looking for volunteers to support the Children's English class weekly, for children 2-15 years of age. We will break you up into groups to read, talk, or play board games with the children. Civilian attire is preferred however, UOD is allowed.

Classes are held from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Sonlight Inn.

For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Justin Worthen.

Sunday Sonlight dinner

Every Sunday, volunteers from a specific unit cook dinner for their fellow Wolf Pack members at the Sonlight Inn. The dinner begins at 6 p.m. following grace led by a chaplain. Meals range from "breakfast for dinner" to "Italian cooking" to "Southern style." For more information or to volunteer, contact the chapel at 782-4300.

Sponsor training

Learn creative ways to assist newcomers reporting to Kunsan AB. Registration required. Class is held at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Call 782-5644 for more information, dates or to sign up.

ROKAF English Class

Team 5/6 is looking for volunteers to support the ROKAF English class every Saturday, at the Sonlight Inn. You will be talking to ROKAF Airmen (enlisted) for approximately one hour. This event is open to all ranks! Civilian attire is preferred, however, UOD is allowed.

For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Charles Nelson.

Ping Pong tournament

Free to all. Prizes for first and second places. Prizes include Wolf Pack Won. To sign up, dates or for more information, call the CAC at 782-5213 or 4679.

Osan

Airman and Family Readiness Center pro-

*Bundles for Babies - A workshop for expectant parents who want to learn more about parenting and support programs here at Osan. The class also offers you a finance piece that focuses on budgeting for your new baby from conception to college years and a chance to meet other new parents. Additionally, you'll receive a free "bundle" from the Air Force Aid Society.

*Separation & Retirement Benefits - This is an optional workshop where separating and retiring members can learn about their benefits- includes briefings by MFLC, TMO, CPO, Finance, Tricare and SBP.

*Spouse Orientation - This is a great opportunity for spouses to learn about the 51st Fighter Wing Mission, Non-combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) process, and receive a protective (gas) mask demonstration. Spouses will also have an opportunity to meet key base representatives and learn about Korean Culture. As a bonus, a community information fair will end the day.

*Volunteers' Training - The goal is to ensure all our volunteers are registered and they receive all tools and information to keep them informed of volunteer opportunities.

For more information, call 784-0119.

E-mail security

There has been a rising trend of unencrypted e-mails containing FOUO, PII, or other sensitive/critical information due to recipients not being on the USAF GAL. Please exercise good information security and call the Help Desk if you are having problems sending an encrypted e-mail.

Anthem Singers

Sopranos, altos, tenors and bass vocalists are needed to sing the US and ROK National Anthems at various events on base. Practice is held at 5 p.m. every Thursday at the Chapel Annex. Send an e-mail to annapauline.magno.1@us.af.mil or ric.rebulanan.1@us.af.mil for more information.

Military Tuition Assistance Briefing

Presented by the 51 FSS Education & Training Center, this is mandatory for all first time users, officer/enlisted, for military TA. No appointment necessary! Held every Tuesday at 8 a.m. in Bldg 787, Rm. 10. For additional information or questions please contact the Education Center at 784-4220.

Claims Announcement

Lt. Col. Jason I. Humble, U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, Republic of Korea has been appointed as the Summary Court Officer for the estate of Tech. Sgt. James Z. Johnson, deceased. All persons having claims against the above estate are required to present them to the Summary Court Officer within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred. Humble can be contacted at jason.humble@us.af.mil

CCAF Graduation

The 2016 Spring CCAF Graduation will commence Thursday, 28 April 2016 at 1 p.m. at the Enlisted Club Ballroom. POCs for this celebration are Staff Sgts. Jayson Lyons (784-5463), Yolanda Whitfield (784-1719), and Sierra Phillips (784-6364).

22nd Annual AUSA Essay Contest

The Korea Corporate Members of the Association of the U.S. Army is holding its annual essay contest.

Subject: Life in Korea covering either the author's work-related or social experienc-

Length: 1,000 to 2,000 words Format: MS Word, double spaced Prizes: Grand Prize (One winner) -1,000,000 Won

First Prize (Two winners) – 700,000 Won Second Prize (Three winners) - 500,000

Deadline: April 30, 2016

A brief resume including full name, phone number, unit and mailing address must accompany the essay. Submissions can be sent to timothy.k.spann.civ@mail.mil. The contest is open to U.S. service members, civilians and family members. For more information, call Mr. Spann at 723-7718.

Candle Safety

According to U. S. Fire Administration, on average, 42 home candle fires are reported every day. Most of these fires are caused by the misuse of candles within the home or work place. Remember, candle fires are preventable!

Candles are a nice way to relax after a long day but anytime an open flame is present; there is always a risk of a potential house fire. So, be sure not to place any flammable material on or near a burning candle.

Candles & Home Fire Safety Tips:

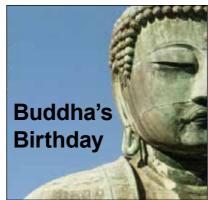
- •Consider using battery-operated or electric flameless candles and fragrance warmers, which can look, smell and feel like real candles without the flame.
- •If you do use candles, ensure they are in sturdy metal, glass or ceramic holders and placed where they cannot be easily knocked down.
- •Avoid using candles in bedrooms and sleeping areas.
- •Extinguish candles after use and before going to bed.
- •Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that can burn.
- •Keep candles out of the reach of children and pets.
- •Children should never be allowed to play with matches, lighters or candles.
- •Never use a candle where medical oxygen is being used. The two can combine to create a large, unexpected fire.
- •Always use a flashlight not a candle for emergency lighting.
- •Never put candles on a Christmas tree.
- •And NEVER leave burning candles unattended!

According to 51 FWI 32-2001, Para 6.15.2.2 (2013 Edition) the use of candles, incense, or other open flame devices is prohibited in all base buildings excluding MFH.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Fire Prevention Office at 784-4834/4835

Holiday Observances & Closure







All KN civilian employees will observe 1 May 2016 as Labor Day; and 5 May 2016 as Children's Day; and 14 May 2016 as Buddha's Birthday. They are legal holidays for ALL Korean National (KN) civilian employees. Those KN civilian employees scheduled to work on these days will be paid holiday premium pay. All others will be released from duty without charge to leave or loss of pay. If the holiday falls on an employee's non-work day, no substitute day will be granted.

If you have any question, please contact Ms. Kim, Min Kyo, of the Civilian Personnel Office, Employee Relations Section, at 784-4434/8177.

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Airmen from Osan AB pose at the Yongju temple located in Hwa-Sung city during the Korea Immersion Program tour sponsored by Gyeonggi Provincial Government. 38 Airmen participated in the KIP tour, 8 April 2016. The provincial government sponsors 16 times in 2016 for the KIP tour. (Photo by Kim, Min Chul, Gyeonggi Provincial Government)

Wolf Pack maintainers crush Buddy Wing 16-3



Airmen from the 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, prepare to perform preflight maintenance for an F-16 Fighting Falcon during Buddy Wing 16-3 at Jungwon Air Base, ROK, March 30, 2016. Buddy Wing training, held multiple times a year, polishes the ability of the Republic of Korea and U.S. pilots to train and operate as a combined force. (U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson)

By Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson

8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

JUNGWON AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- The mission to fly, fight and win is always in effect. Teams of maintainers fight tooth and nail to ensure aircraft are fully mission capable.

During Buddy Wing 16-3, these men and women reported to their duty sections every day with one mission - keep their aircraft flying. Buddy Wing 16-3 was a four-day exercise designed for Republic of Korea air force's pilots from the 19th Fighter Wing at Jungwon Air Base to train alongside the Wolf Pack's pilots from the 80th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

"Our pilots are among the best on the planet, but they only get to claim that title because they have the best maintained aircraft on the planet," said Master Sgt. Justin Holacka, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit airframe power plant general section chief. "The jets are machines, and they break, so the maintainers have to step up and fix them so the pilots are able to take the fight north."

Because of Buddy Wing's mission and operations tempo, maintenance Airmen must remain alert and aware of every maintenance issue involving their aircraft.

"It is important because pilots depend on us to provide them with mission capable aircraft," said Staff Sgt. DeCedrick Randle, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit electrical and environmental craftsman. "Discrepancies occur frequently, which often cause the aircraft to be grounded. So when a Buddy Wing arrives and our pilots have the opportunity to train with our ROKAF colleagues, it is up to us maintainers to up keep and provide readily available aircraft."

Not only did Buddy Wing provide an opportunity for pilots to conduct combined training, but it also was a unique chance for some of the young maintenance Airmen to get some exposure to conducting their duties alongside their host nation partners.

"I think it's imperative that the younger Airmen know that they play a certain part with the Koreans as well as improving on their skills as well while we're here," said Randle. "This shows Airmen they can get the mission done at a moment's notice in any location."

While playing a behind-the-scenes role in the ROK/US interoperability piece, they take extra time out to go about their day in the right way. This translates into doing maintenance safely, doing it by the book, and ensuring their attention to detail is spot on as they partake in the process of facilitating mission capable combat sorties.

"If our maintenance didn't get done, the pilots wouldn't get the training they need," Holacka said. "Our pilots rely on their training to be ready for any contingency they may face up there, so it's our job as maintainers to ensure the aircraft are ready and able to perform those missions."

The maintenance the 80th AMU's Juvats provide also ensures aircraft that are ready to fight tonight in a moment's notice.

"Our Wolf Pack maintainers are the finest maintainers around," Holacka said.

"They work tirelessly 24 hours a day in the elements to make sure the pilots have the safest and most lethal force in the world."

These men and women handle all the scheduled maintenance and system repairs so when it's time to fight, pilots can trust that they have a fully serviceable and functional aircraft.

"It's our job to help ensure our pilots can gear all of their focus and preparation towards mission planning and returning to base safely," Randle said. "We're constantly leaning forward to take care of scheduled maintenance and remedy small discrepancies that may cause a problem in flight."

Along with providing a unique training opportunity, the combined nature of the exercise demonstrates the alliance's resolve and America's commitment to the people of Korea.

"I think it's very important that we keep an esprit de corps with the ROKAF," Mills said. "It really gives me a humbled feeling to know that even though we don't speak the same language, or have the same cultural backgrounds, they understand us from a maintenance perspective."



U.S. Air Force maintainers from the 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Korea air force maintainers from the 19th Fighter Wing meet to sign paperwork during Buddy Wing 16-3 at Jungwon Air Base, Republic of Korea, March 30, 2016.

A resilient Airman's story



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KUNSAN AIRBASE, Republic of Korea -- "It doesn't matter how many times you fall--what matters most is how many times you stand up, shake it off, and move forward."

Knowing how to balance physical, intellectual, social, and spiritual areas of our lives is key to building resiliency.

I would like to share story of an Airman, who, despite a broken relationship, was able to recover and gain back his confidence and true self.

He started hitting the gym, powerlifting, and bodybuilding. "I felt good," he told me, "and started gaining confidence in myself." He became more serious about this newfound de-stressor; he studied, did research, and supplemented it with good nutrition. Not even a year later, the pain and hurt were gone and a new passion was born!

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As a certified sports nutritionist, he used to tell me, 'JERF' (just eat real food) to fix my diet and fuel myself in the gym. He is now a budding entrepreneur in the health & fitness industry. He created an online community geared toward fitness that now has over 20 thousand members. He also has an associated clothing brand that sells gym apparel.

He continues to train not only to discipline his body and mind, but to mentor and train others as well. While deployed, he was able to help an Airman cope with being away from home, family, and friends. For five months he trained and mentored this Airman through weight training, proper diet, and powerlifting.

Did he encounter challenges again? Of course--all of us are vulnerable. He has had his share of injuries. Whether we are hurt physically, emotionally or spiritually, we can recover and bounce back, coming out stronger, a better person, wiser in judgment and in decision-making.

NASA and the Republic of Korea Join in Major Air Quality Study

51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- NASA invites news media representatives to learn about a new partnership between NASA and the National Institute of Environmental Research to study the quality of the air we breathe. The Korea U.S. Air Quality mission (KORUS-AQ) will collect detailed air quality data over the Republic of Korea using aircraft, ground sites, ships and satellites to advance the ability to monitor air pollution accurately from space.

KORUS-AQ is a step toward an international effort to develop a global air quality observation system that in the future will include satellites from both countries and a network of surface monitoring sites, air quality models, and airborne sampling. Coordinated flights from Osan Air Base by U.S. and Korean research aircraft are planned for May 2 through June 12. Findings from KORUS-AQ will play a critical role in improving air quality assessments for decision makers.

A mission kick-off event will be held at Osan Air Base, South Korea, on April 29, 2016, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Event activities will include:

- KORUS-AQ mission overview by lead U.S. and Korean scientists
- Tour of mission research aircraft: NASA's DC-8 flying laboratory, NASA's King Air aircraft, and Hanseo University's B200 aircraft
 - Remarks by U.S. Ambassador Mark Lippert
 - Interviews with mission scientists and flight crews

Individuals should plan to meet at the Songtan International Community Center outside the Morin Gate at Osan Air Base no later than 2 p.m. on the day of the event. A bus will transport media onto Osan Air Base. Media will depart Osan at 5 p.m.

All individuals attending the event must possess a valid Korean I.D. or passport to be granted entry to the event. Media representatives interested in participating in the event should confirm their plans to attend no later than 5 p.m. Thursday, April 21 by contacting the NASA Armstrong Public Affairs office at 001-1-661-810-4978, or email Kate Squires at kate.k.squires@nasa.gov or contacting Mr. Yi, Chong Kun or Mr. Pak, Yong Hui, 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs, at 0505-784-4044 or 51FWPA@us.af.mil.

For more information about KORUS-AQ, visit: http://www.nasa.gov/content/2016-earth-expeditions-korus-aq

CULTURE



Delve into the Secrets Hidden Inside Korean Money!



What is the one item tourists use the most when traveling? The answer is money, of course! Korean currency can be largely divided into four coins and four bills, with denominations of 10 won, 50 won, 100 won, 500 won and 1,000 won, 5,000 won, 10,000 won, 50,000 won, respectively. While traveling, it's possible all you noticed is how quickly money seems to fly from your hands. However, if you take a closer look at the characters and designs on the bills, you will be greatly surprised! There are many tiny details about the important historical figures they present and their related tourist sites.

A closer look at the 1,000 won bill!





▲ Photo: 1,000 won bill (left, Credit: Bank of Korea) / Maehwa blossoms (right)

Korea's most common bill is the 1,000 won in a pretty blue color. The front of the bill features flowers, a hanok building, and a portrait of a man, with the back sporting a landscape painting of a river and wooded mountains. Let's search for the hidden secrets within these images. The figure featured on the 1,000 won bill is one of Joseon Dynasty's most distinguished Confucian scholars, Toegye Yi Hwang (1501-1570). He devoted his life to the study of literature and put his knowledge

into practice on a daily basis. When people think of Yi Hwang, the first place that comes to mind is Dosanseowon Confucian Academy in Andong, but he also has a deep connection with Sungkyunkwan's Myeongnyundang Hall, the building drawn behind his portrait on the bill. Myeongnyundang was one of the highest centers for education in the Joseon Dynasty, and here Toegye Yi Hwang served as daesasang, a head teacher.

His position at the school explains its inclusion

on the bill, but what of the bough of maehwa blossoms? The simple answer is that Yi Hwang loved these flowers above all others, to the extent that his last dying wish was that his son would continue to water the maehwa tree. Now let's flip the bill over and take a look at the back. The scene is a land-scape from famous Late Joseon-period artist Kyomjae Jeong Seon (1676-1759), and is a designated treasure. The landscape depicts a two-kan (traditional measurement of building by pillars) house, the early appearance of Dosanseodang, where Yi Hwang retired to improve his learning and teach his disciples. If you look closely, you can see a figure studying inside the building.

Currently Dosanseodang Hall is the oldest building inside Dosanseowon Confucian Academy, which was built after Yi Hwang's death as a way for his disciples to honor and remember this great scholar. A must-visit place when visiting Andong, you can find many artifacts from Yi Hwang's life at Dosanseowon.







Photo: Myeongnyundang Hall inside Sungkyunkwan

Photo: Dosanseowon Confucian Academy

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Observing the 5,000 won & 50,000 won bills!



Photo: 5,000 won bill (left, Credit: Bank of Korea) / 50,000 won bill (right, Credit: Bank of Korea)

The 5,000 won and 50,000 won bills have a secret that cannot be found on any other forms of currency throughout the world! The special point of these bills is in the relationship between the two figures depicted; they are the only two figures to be related as mother and son! Shin Saimdang (1504-1551), featured on the 50,000 won bill, is also the only female on Korean currency, and is perhaps best well-known as being a good wife and wise mother. When talking about Shin Saimdang and her son Yulgok Yi I (1536-1584), you cannot leave out Ojukheon House, which is featured on the 5,000 won bill behind Yi I. Ojukheon House was named for the grove of black bamboo, ojuk in Korean, growing around the house. The house has the honor of being the birthplace of Shin Saimdang and her third son, Yulgok Yi I. The house was a filming site of the upcoming drama "Shin Saimdang, The Herstory (2016)," and as such, is expecting to draw in many tourists from overseas. It is not included on the 5,000 won bill, but if you want to learn more about the life of Yulgok Yi I and his achievements, you should visit the Yulgok Historical Site. Here was where Yulgok lived and taught students at Jaunseowon Confucian Academy.

Currently the house displays artifacts from Yi I and his mother in the Yulgok Memorial Hall. A visit here is a great way to learn more about the characters of the 5,000 and 50,000 won bills, Yulgok Yi I and his mother Shin Saimdang.

Now that we have learned about the people, let's take a closer look at the pictures! The paintings on the front of the 50,000 won bill and on the back of the 5,000 won bill are different but have a similar feeling. This is because they were both painted by Shin Saimdang, who was not only known as a good wife and wise mother but also as an accomplished painter. She generally focused her paintings on plants and insects. Of her many works, the painting of grape vines featured on the 50,000 won bill has an interesting story attached to it. As the story goes, one day at a party, a cup of tea was spilled on the skirt of a fellow party participant. When Shin Saimdang saw the girl's eyes begin to tear us, she immediately stepped in. Using the shapes of the tea stains to create the image of large leaves on a grape vine, she astonished the people around her, who talked about this event long after.



Photo: Ojukheon House (left) / Artifact on display at Yulgok Historical Site (right)

Photo: Yulgok Historical Site

Magnifying the 10,000 won bill!





Photo: Hangeul Hall at King Sejong The Great Memorial Hall (left, Credit: King Sejong the Great Memorial Hall) / Sundial in King Sejong's Story (right, Credit: King Sejong Story)

Photo: 10,000 won bill (Credit: Bank of Korea)

Our last Korean bill to examine is the green 10,000 won bill! The figure on this bill is Joseon Dynasty's fourth king, King Sejong (1418-1450). He is known as being a monarch who, when it came to politics, always considered the needs of the people first. Thanks to this love of the people and his many achievements, the people began to attach the title "the great" to the end of his name. Where the other denominations of Korean currency feature locations that were important to their related persons, the 10,000 won bill showcases some of the most important accomplishments of King Sejong the Great. The front of the bill features one paragraph from the first work written completely in Hangeul, the Yongbieocheonga, meaning "Songs of the Dragons Flying to Heaven." Below this is the image of Sun and Moon and Five Peaks, a work

that hung behind the royal throne and was a symbol of the king in the Joseon Dynasty. You can see this great work in person at the National Palace Museum of Korea. As Korean's most revered king, there are memorials to King Sejong and his achievements throughout the country. Items related to and materials used in the creation of Hangeul can be seen on display at King Sejong The Great Memorial Hall, and historical records written in Hangeul as well as the life events of King Sejong are on display at King Sejong Story. Many international tourists enjoy visiting King Sejong Story for the fun and free Hangeul experience programs that are available. Of the various programs, the two most popular are writing a letter in Hangeul to send home, and writing ones name in Hangeul.

^{*} This column was last updated in March 2016, and therefore information may differ from what is presented here. We advise you to check from the official websites before visiting.