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President Donald J. Trump lands at Osan

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51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE -- President Donald J. Trump lands at Osan Air Base, Nov 7, as part of his 13-day trip through the Pacific Theater. President Trump traveled from Osan to Camp Humphreys to speak with service members. Afterward, he is expected to speak with key military leaders of the region on strengthening the international resolve to confront the North Korean threat and ensure the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Echols III/Released)



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KUNSAN AIR BASE -- There's often a common misconception that the communications squadron is full of "nerds" who are the gurus of fixing the network or maintaining information technology systems. But, there's a shop within the CS community, specifically at the Wolf Pack, affectionately known as "Cable Dogs" who prove the CS carry their own weight and get down and dirty.

One "Cable Dog" near and dear to the us is Airman First Class Chase Bushman who is cable and antenna technician with the Wolf Pack.

After spending most of his life at Aviano Air Base, Italy, Chase decided it was time to pursue an enlistment with the U.S. Air Force. Serving in the military was not uncharted territory for Chase after growing up with a father, who just so happens to be a retired CS network "nerd".

As a "Cable Dog", Chase played an important role in the base's transition from copper cables to fiber optic cables which help enhance the infrastructure of Kunsan—a process that requires some heavy lifting. But no worries, Chase spends his free time training as a power lifter, which he says helps him carry out his duties on the job – no big deal!

However, power lifting isn't Chase's only passion. Chances are you're wearing a watch on your wrist, and chances are Chase knows what model it is and how much it costs. He loves devoting his time to learning about watches, the history they have and has even started to learn how to refurbish and restore them.

He's started to rack up a bit of a collection, and he's eager to talk about the history and mechanics of his 1950s Omega time piece! Hearing Chase talk about his passion is very contagious, so it is highly recommended if you ask him about his passion you have some time set aside.

The kind of devotion Chase puts into his power lifting and watch knowledge clearly translates into his dedication to his job. Technique, form, skill, drive—the list goes on—all characteristics Chase exudes on and off the clock.

Chase plans to continue his work ethic with his goals to complete his Community College of the Air Force associate's degree and desires to become a family therapist one day. Although, his dream job is to refurbish and broker watches!

Unfortunately, Chase's time at Kunsan is ticking away as he's headed off to... *drum roll, please* ...Aviano AB! Right back to the familiar place that he calls home.

Best of luck Chase! We will be watching to see all of the amazing things you will do for the U.S. Air Force. Hopefully your time with the Wolf Pack was worthwhile!

(A note from the writers, we do not apologize for our overzealous use of puns in the creation of this post)



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U.S. Air Force 51st Civil Engineer Squadron firefighters extinguish a simulated fire during a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at Kookje College, Republic of Korea, Nov. 2, 2017. Osan Air Base provided four firefighters, an Oshkosh P33 Striker aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle, and an aircraft fire simulation trainer to enhance the realism of the exercise. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)

Osan, Korean Emergency Services train together, strengthen commitment

By Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

SEOJEONG --The 51st Civil Engineer Squadron Fire and Emergency Services, and local Korean emergency medical services teamed up in a bilateral display of their response and rescue capabilities, Nov. 2, at Kookje College.

The mass-casualty exercise simulated a plane crashing into a dormitory followed by a hostage situation and large medical evacuation.

Osan's Fire and Emergency Services maintain mutual aid agreements with the surrounding local fire departments to ensure the safety of the local population and personnel on and off base. These types of exercises ensure the readiness and interoperability of those protecting agencies.

"This exercise gives us a chance to interact with our Korean counterparts and helps us understand how they conduct their business," said U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Michael Osada, 51st CES Fire and Emergency Services assistant chief of operations. "There are a lot of similarities between us, but it's important for us to know what to expect between us during a real world emergency."

Osan provided four firefighters, an Oshkosh P33 Striker aircraft rescue and firefighting vehicle, and an aircraft fire simulation trainer to enhance the realism of the exercise.

"If a major event happens off base and the local firefighters call for us to help out, we're going to send whatever resources we can without hurting the mission on base," said Osada.



Although navigating the language barrier is difficult, working with the local emergency services around the base is an eye-opening experience for the Osan Airmen.

"This is something I've never done. It was a really exciting experience working with the Korean firefighters," said U.S. Air Force Airman

1st Class Derek Jones, 51st CES firefighter.

Overall, more than 100 personnel and over 25 vehicles and equipment including firetrucks, ambulances and helicopters from multiple local fire and emergency service agencies participated in the training simulation, working together and ensuring interoperability.

Defenders train during CRC



A defender from the 51st Security Forces Squadron responds to a simulated ground attack during a Combat Readiness Course at Osan Air Base, Nov. 2, 2017. The simulated attacks are held on day nine of the 10 day course and are designed to make defenders utilize all the knowledge learned throughout the course. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Gwendalyn Smith)



Defenders from the 51st Security Forces Squadron roleplay as opposition forces as part of a simulated attack during a Combat Readiness Course at Osan Air Base, Nov. 2, 2017. CRC is a 10 day, two phase course designed to prepare individuals for the 51st Fighter Wing's wartime mission by executing realistic scenarios throughout the installation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Gwendalyn Smith)



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt.
A defender from the 51st Security Forces Squadron responds to a simulated chemical attack during a Combat Readiness Course at Osan Air Base, Nov. 2, 2017. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Gwendalyn Smith)



Defenders from the 51st Security Forces Squadron train during a Combat Readiness Course at Osan Air Base, Nov. 2, 2017. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Gwendalyn Smith)



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Abigail Nelson, Wisconsin Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing weapons load crew member, participates in a weapons load competition at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 20, 2017. The 8th Maintenance Group weapons standardization team hosted the competition to showcase the skills and abilities of each Aircraft Maintenance Unit squadron as well as to promote esprit de corps. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)

Panton, Juvat, Wisconsin ANG crews battle out weapons load competition



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Shivanand Bissoon, and Staff Sgt. Princeleo Pecjo, 35th Air Munitions Squadron weapons load crew members, participate in a weapons load competition at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 20, 2017. Load competitions showcase the skills and abilities of each Aircraft Maintenance Unit and prepare teams to load munitions as expeditiously and safely as possible to support Pacific Command priorities on the Korean Peninsula and within the region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)



U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the Wisconsin Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing cheer on their teammates during a weapons load competition at Kunsan Air Base to promote esprit de corps. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)



<left> U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Marcus Knight, and Airman 1st Class Joshua Cartlidge, both 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load crew members, participate in a weapons load competition at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 20, 2017. The 8th Maintenance Group weapons standardization team hosted the competition to showcase the skills and abilities of each Aircraft Maintenance Unit as well as to promote esprit de corps. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)

<right> U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Joseph David, Wisconsin Air National Guard 115th Fighter Squadron weapons load crew member, inspects munitions during a weapons load competition at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 20, 2017. The Wisconsin Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing, along with the 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit and the 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit competed in a weapons load competition for the first time during the 115th FW's theater security package deployment to the Wolf Pack. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)





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U.S. Air Force firefighters assigned to Osan Air Base and local Korean firefighters work together to extinguish a simulated aircraft fire during a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at Kookje College, Nov. 2, 2017. The 51st Civil Engineer Squadron Fire and Emergency Services maintain mutual aid agreements with the surrounding local fire departments to ensure the safety of the local population and personnel on and off base. These types of exercises ensure the readiness and interoperability of those protecting agencies. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)



Korean emergency medical services listen during the closing ceremony of a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at Kookje College, Nov. 2, 2017. More than 100 personnel and over 25 vehicles and equipment including firetrucks, ambulances and helicopters from multiple local fire and emergency service agencies participated in the training simulation working together and ensuring interoperability. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)



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 Local Korean emergency services manage a simulated hostage situation during a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at Kookje College, Nov. 2, 2017. More than 100 personnel and over 25 vehicles and equipment including firetrucks, ambulances and helicopters from multiple local fire and emergency service agencies participated in the training simulation working together and ensuring interoperability. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)

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 Jamie Gujski, 51st Medical Group education and training simulation operator, applies moulage to a volunteer's face before a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at the Songtan Fire Department, Nov. 2, 2017. The exercise simulated a plane crashing into a dormitory followed by a hostage situation and large medical evacuation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)

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 Korean emergency medical services personnel take care of the wounded during a bilateral, mass-casualty, emergency-services exercise at Kookje College, Nov. 2, 2017. More than 100 personnel and over 25 vehicles and equipment including firetrucks, ambulances and helicopters from multiple local fire and emergency service agencies participated in the training simulation working together and ensuring interoperability. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Alex Fox Echols III/Released)





51st CES receives RADR training

By Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE -- The 51st Civil Engineer Squadron can now conduct Rapid Airfield Damage Repair if called upon after receiving new RADR training from the Air Force Civil Engineer Center, Oct. 30 – Nov. 3.

RADR is a new faster process developed by AFCEC in which CE units repair airfields that have been damaged with multiple holes after an attack.

“With today’s threats, [if an attack were to occur] we’re looking at hundreds of holes in the airfield instead of a couple holes, so we’re teaching them this quicker process with two different methods. An asphalt capping method and a rapid set concrete method,” said Michael Thomas, AFCEC contingency training program manager, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla. “[With this new system] we’re able to give more airfield to a combatant commander quicker than we were before.”

The training taught members from various 51st CES shops how to operate specific equipment used to repair a runway such as compact track loaders, excavators and metric mixers.

“A lot of these people, especially the lower ranking Airmen, have never used equipment like this. They never had the opportunity,” said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Marshal McAlister, 51st CES pavements and



equipment craftsman. “A lot of this is really new to some folks.”

“I think [the training] was pretty good. It taught us how to work as a whole,” said U.S. Air Force Airman Kevin Hill, 51st CES water and fuel systems apprentice. “I’m a plumber, and I’m [out here] doing ‘Dirt Boyz’ stuff so that we can be really flexible within our squadron.”

RADR is similar to an assembly line process which allows for smoother and more efficient repairs.

“It’s an assembly line. We have our engineer assistants who do our marking and upheaval checks. The compact track loader saw cutters cut a square [around the damaged] pavement. Then an excavator hammers it until it breaks off,” said McAlister. “Another excavator removes the [broken] material [from the hole], and our loaders and compact track loaders clear the debris, making sure we have a good work area. We do it step by step to make sure all the craters are properly repaired.”

It’s important for members to understand their role to ensure mission success.

“I was part of the compact track loader crew using the saws,” said Hill. “My job specifically is very important because it lays down the foundation for everyone else. If I don’t cut, then people can’t dig up the debris, and if they don’t dig it up, then the planes can’t fly.”

RADR provides the 51st CES a new method to help Team Osan be “Ready to Fight Tonight!”



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Wayland Bailey, 51st Civil Engineer Squadron water and fuel systems apprentice, takes measurement to prepare pavement for cutting during rapid airfield damage repair training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Nov. 1, 2017. Members from the Air Force Civil Engineer Center, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., taught the 51st CES about RADR, which is a new process of repairing an airfield that has been damaged with multiple holes after an attacked. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)



Members from the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron, use a mixer to pour concrete into a hole during rapid airfield damage repair training at Osan Air Base, Nov. 1, 2017. Similar to an assembly line, RADR systematically lines up civil engineer personnel and equipment. This method provides a more efficient and faster process of repairing damaged airfields. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)

• BULLETIN •

VETERAN'S DAY & KEU FOUNDATION DAY: 10 Nov 2017, Friday, is an official holiday for both U.S. and Korean employees; Veteran's Day for U.S. and KEU Foundation Day for KN. All U.S. and KN civilian employees will be released from duty without charge to leave or loss of pay. Both civilian employees required to work on this holiday must be paid holiday premium pay for all hours worked. For KN civilian employees, if a holiday falls on a non-work day, no substitute day will be granted. Employees in a non-pay status the work day before and the work day after a holiday will not be paid for the holiday.

THANKSGIVING DAY: 23 Nov 2017, is an official U.S. holiday. The liberal leave policy will be in effect for Korean National (KN) non-essential civilian employees. Supervisors should ensure the time and attendance cards for KN civilian employees who wish to be off that day are properly coded to reflect the appropriate leave code, i.e., annual leave, etc. Organizations with KN civilian employees scheduled to work should provide adequate supervision. If an office is going to be closed, KN civilian employees can be required to take annual leave but management must provide them with a 24-hour advanced notice.

REMINDER - ANNUAL LEAVE: It is time to review your current leave balances. All managers/supervisors of U.S./KN civilian employees should arrange annual leave schedules to allow each civilian employee an extended period of leave for rest and relaxation to assist in maintaining maximum efficiency and productivity. Leave schedules should be established at the beginning of the leave year and reviewed periodically to ensure vacation schedules will not interfere with maintenance of an adequate work force at all times.

The Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) received each payday is a ready reference concerning the amount of annual leave which must be used before the end of the leave year. The leave year ends on 6 Jan 2018 for U.S. and on 13 Jan 2018 for KN APF employees respectively. Now is the time to finalize leave plans for the remainder of 2017.

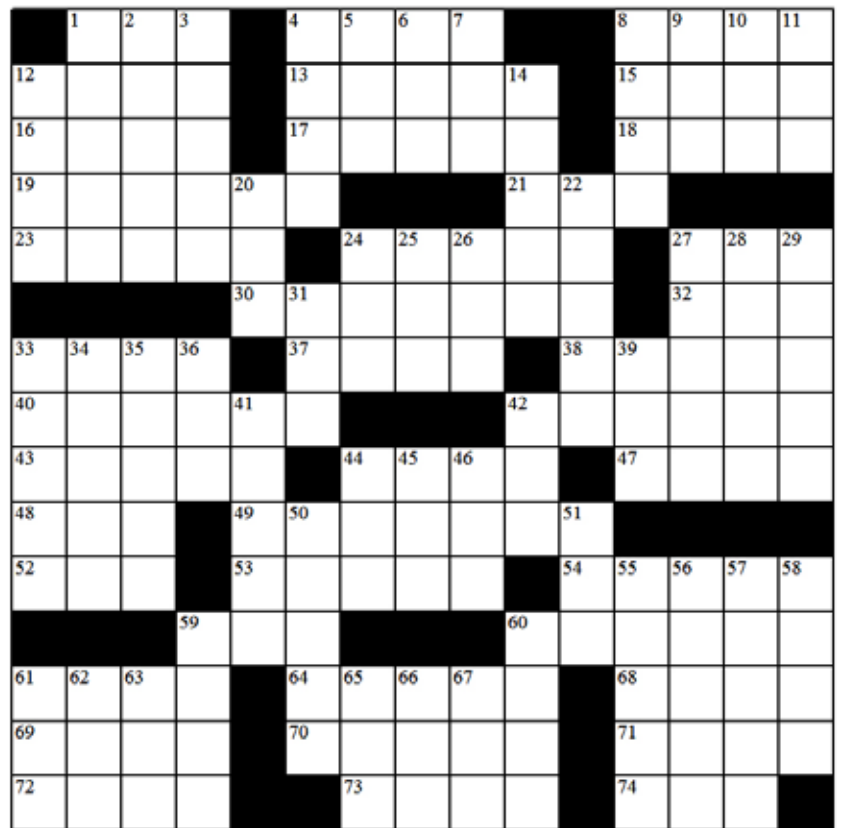
DEFENSE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT & APPRAISAL PROGRAM PROGRESS REVIEWS: October marks the midway point in the Defense Performance Management and Appraisal Program (DPMAP). It is required to conduct a minimum of three formal documented performance discussions during the appraisal cycle. The required discussions include; 1) the initial performance plan meeting to discuss performance expectations, 2) one progress review, and 3) the final performance appraisal discussion to communicate the rating of record. Additional progress reviews are highly encouraged throughout the appraisal cycle. Documenting the feedback is most critical in the event there is a performance deficiency when management is trying to identify and correct the issue. Therefore, supervisors are encouraged to conduct the progress review at the mid-year point. Employees are also encouraged to highlight their successes, identify changes to performance to performance elements as appropriate, or any challenges impeding their ability to be successful as part of the two-way communication and meaningful feedback.

Supervisors, please download the employee's DD 2906 Performance Plan and use the page 5 continuation sheet to cut/paste from a word doc, the performance elements and standards and the progress review feedback information into the page 5 continuation sheet. The DD 2906 page 5 document can then be printed and a copy provided to the employee. As there is no area in the electronic system, the supervisor should maintain the original feedback in the 971 file and document the date and method of feedback communication into the MyPerformance Tool.

If you have questions regarding the above, please contact the Civilian Personnel Office, 784-4434/8177. (51 FSS/FSCA)

The Crossword

By Jon Dunbar



ACROSS

- 1 If I ___ a hammer
- 2 Baldwin or Guinness
- 8 "Monster" lizard
- 12 ___ pressure
- 13 Reserve Officers' Training ___
- 15 Pyeongtaek neighbor
- 16 Ben Affleck movie
- 17 Operation Foal ___
- 18 Vandal's army
- 19 Camp in Yongsan Garrison
- 21 In media ___
- 23 Henry Ford's son
- 24 Martini garnish
- 27 Navigation aid
- 30 Air show event
- 32 Where ___ you?
- 33 Cheonan's neighbor
- 37 Strategic friend
- 38 DMZ river
- 40 Greatest possible degree

- 42 Deplore
- 43 Samsung Lions city
- 44 Collect on an unpaid debt
- 47 Butt
- 48 Hotel
- 49 Camp Carroll location
- 52 CIA precursor
- 53 Wartime control of military
- 54 Drill instructor nickname
- 59 Genes
- 60 Found in art class
- 61 Korean resort island
- 64 Goes with I, or Mr
- 68 Daesh
- 69 Opposite of future
- 70 Minnesota or LG baseball team
- 71 Flintstones pet
- 72 Unwanted hair color
- 73 E-commerce site
- 74 Type of head doctor

DOWN

- 1 Biblical king of Judaea
- 2 Naval weapons system
- 3 UAV
- 4 Taiwanese computer company
- 5 Mauna ___
- 6 Unit of work
- 7 NCO rank
- 8 That's the way it ___
- 9 Seoul Metro transfer station
- 10 ___ Vegas
- 11 Actress Gasteyer
- 12 Walk back and forth
- 14 To ___ and protect
- 20 Fantasy novel species
- 22 Creepy
- 24 Popeye character Olive
- 25 Online laughter
- 26 Poison ___
- 27 Middle rank
- 28 Solo songs
- 29 Tube-shaped pasta
- 33 ___-visual

- 34 Lee, Laurel, and Getz
- 35 Said after prayers
- 36 Eggy drink
- 39 Combat sport
- 41 Hwaseong Fortress city
- 42 Type of constrictor
- 44 Remote control button
- 45 Self-admiration
- 46 Beat someone online
- 50 Separate
- 51 Surveillance agency
- 55 Not in the middle
- 56 Plant secretion
- 57 Glimmer
- 58 Gas station
- 59 Active ___
- 60 Handmade e-commerce site
- 61 GIF alternative
- 62 Hearing organ
- 63 Truce Village
- 65 Be in debt to
- 64 Baby's napkin
- 67 Out ___ limb



A group of children stand on stage during a costume contest at the first-ever Pyeongtaek City Halloween Festival near Osan Air Base, Oct. 28, 2017. The festival included face painting, street vendors with treats and a costume contest. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Tinese Jackson)

Pyeongtaek City Halloween Festival



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A group of Pyeongtaek citizens gathers around stage at the Pyeongtaek City Halloween Festival near Osan Air Base, Oct. 28, 2017. This was the first time that Pyeongtaek City ever held a Halloween event to celebrate and strengthen Korean and American relationship. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Tinese Jackson)

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U.S. Air Force Col. Kerry Proulx, 51st Mission Support Group commander, speaks during the opening ceremony at the Pyeongtaek City Halloween Festival near Osan Air Base, Oct. 28, 2017. This was the first time that Pyeongtaek City ever held a Halloween event to celebrate and strengthen Korean and American relationship. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Tinese Jackson)



Kunsan

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

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-HOPE.

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 programs

***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.

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 Tuesday at the Chapel Annex. For more information, send an e-mail to: nicholas.smith.21@us.af.mil or ric.rebulanan.1@us.af.mil

***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](tel:784-0119).

Volunteers for USFK Civilian Employees Appreciation Week
Each year, the USFK Commander takes time to recognize civilian employees for their accomplishments, contributions, and dedication to the USFK mission. This year, General Brooks has designated 11-15 September as USFK Civilian Employees Appreciation Week. We are currently seeking volunteers (US/LN Civilians, Active Duty Military, and Spouses/Family members) to assist in the planning and execution of this wonderful event. If you would like to volunteer to serve as a committee member, please contact Ms. Kim, Min Kyo, min_kyo.kim.kr@us.af.mil or Ms. Precious Clermont, precious.clermont@us.af.mil at [784-4434/8177](tel:784-44348177).

Open Continuous Vacancy Announcement for Pacific West Educational Aide positions
Applicants who previously applied under the Open Continuous Vacancies will need to update their application and required documents under the new announcement numbers if they wish to be considered for the SY 17/18
PLEASE re-iterate to these interested applicants to have a complete resume attached. This includes but not limited to total employment period, i.e., starting and ending dates (month and year) and number of hours per week for each work experience, paid and unpaid. A description of duties and accomplishments for each experience, including volunteer. If a current or former Federal employee, highest Federal civilian grade held, job series, and dates of employment.
Here is the direct link to the 2017 school support positions.
Job Title: Educational Aide (GS-1702-04)
Job Announcement Number: 17-042-KO-LG-1981388
<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/473464800>

Emergency Services	911	Commander's Hotline	782-5224
Off Base/Cell Emergency	063-470-0911	After-hours medical advice	782-4333
Crime Stop: (to report a crime)	782-5444	IG Complaints FWA Reporting:	782-4850 (duty hours) 782-4942 (anytime)
Base Locator: (after duty hours)	782-4743	Chaplain (After duty hours)	782-6000
Law Enforcement desk	782-4944	Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)	782-7272
Emergency Leave / Red Cross		782-4601 (on base) 1-800-733-2761 (anytime)	

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CHAPEL SCHEDULE

KUNSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services
Gospel Service
 Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
 Main Chapel, Bldg. 501
Contemporary Service
 Sunday 5 p.m.
 Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

Catholic Services
Sunday Catholic Mass
 Sunday, 9:45 a.m.
 Main Chapel, Bldg. 501
Daily Mass and Reconciliation
 Please call the Chapel

Other Worship Opportunities
LDS Service
 Sunday, 11:00 a.m.
 SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510

Point of Contact:-[
 Kunsan Chapel, 782-HOPE

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OSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services
Gospel Service
 Sunday, 12:30 p.m.
 Chapel Sanctuary
Community Service
 Sunday, 10:30 a.m.,
 Chapel Sanctuary

Protestant Ministries
Awana Children's Ministry
 Wednesday, 5 p.m., Grades 7-12
Wednesday, 6 p.m., Pre-K to 6th Grade
 Chapel
Osan Middle School
Men of the Chapel
 Wednesday, 7 p.m., Chapel Annex
Singles & Unaccompanied
Thursday, 7 p.m., Mustang Center
Friday, 7 p.m., Hospitality House
Saturday, 6 p.m., Hospitality House
Women of the Chapel
 Monday, 6:30 p.m./ Tuesday, 9 a.m.
 Chapel Annex
Youth of the Chapel
 Monday, 6 p.m., Chapel Annex

Point of Contact:
 Osan Chapel, 784-5000
Visit us on SharePoint:
<https://osan.eim.pacaf.af.mil/51FW/51FW-HC/default.aspx>
Visit us on Facebook (OSAN AB CHAPEL)
<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABChapel>

Catholic Mass
Daily Mass
 Tuesday – Thursday, 11:30 a.m., Chapel
Reconciliation
 Saturday, 4 p.m (or by appointment), Chapel
Vigil Mass
 Saturday, 5 p.m., Chapel
Sunday Mass
 Sunday, 8:30 a.m., Chapel
Catholic Ministries
Catholic RE
 Sunday, 10 a.m., Chapel Annex
Korean Prayer Group
 Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.
Blessed Sacrament
Bible Study
 Tuesday, 6 p.m., Chapel Annex Rm 4
Women of the Chapel
Meet Monthy, Please call 784-5000
Other Faith Groups
Earth-Based (Contact the Chapel)
Jewish (Contact the Chapel)
Muslim (Contact the Chapel)
Buddhist (Contact the Chapel)
LDS Sunday, 1 p.m., Contact the Chapel

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Protestant Services
Traditional Service
 Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
 Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
 Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
 Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel
Contemporary Service
 Sunday, 9 a.m.
 South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702
 Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
 K-16 Chapel
Nondenominational Service
 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
Latter Day Saints (LDS)
 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
 1st Saturday, 9 a.m.
 Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
 M/W/T/F, 11:45 a.m.
 Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
 Tuesday, 11:45 p.m.
 Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel

General Service
Episcopal Service
 Sunday, 11 a.m.
 Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel

Jewish
 Friday, 7 p.m.
 South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702



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 USAG Yongsan Religious Support Office, 738-3011

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SPIRITUAL CHARGE

W i n g m a n

The single greatest characteristic of Americans is their willingness to accept a challenge. Now that statement in and of itself could venture down many paths, but take a moment to consider how often you've personally challenged yourself. Have you ever looked at a sudoku board, a crossword or thousand piece puzzle and thought, "no problem" only to still be working on it two weeks later? The truth is that they are typically more difficult than they first appear.

Today's wingman concept is nothing new. Listen to the words Colonel Francis "Gabby" Gabreski, one of the USAF early pioneers, who is credited with twenty-eight aerial victories in WWII,

"The wingman is absolutely indispensable. I look after the wingman. The wingman looks after me. It's another set of eyes protecting you. That's the defensive part. Offensively, it gives you a lot more firepower. We work together. We fight together. The wingman knows what his responsibilities are and knows what mine are. Wars are not won by individuals. They're won by teams."

Today, the strategy of having a good wingman is still relevant, but its application reaches far beyond the arena of aerial assault. When fighter pilots lift off into the great expanses of the sky, they may not know what threats lay beyond the horizon. Similarly, with each new day, we have no idea what lies ahead. The common



Ch, Lt. Col. Chad Bellamy
Wing Chaplain, 8th Fighter Wing

denominator is that daily challenges are conquered by responsible choices, and creating a culture of responsible choices is reinforced by the presence of a good wingman. In the spirit of the Gabreski quote, "personal battles are not won by individuals; they are won by the

reinforcement of good wingmen."

The challenge is that, like a thousand piece puzzle, being a wingman can sometimes be more difficult than it first appears. The path of least resistance shouts for us to do nothing while a fellow Airman makes a life or career-threatening decision; however, accepting the challenge of being a comrade-in-arms is a daily whisper for us to courageously be involved. The moral courage to do the right thing is more than just ornamented words; it is the foundation of our USAF core values.

One could say the acronym TEAM stands for Together Everyone Achieves More. For centuries, armed forces have strategized as to how their units can operate as one on the battlefield. Why? Unity is the key to effectiveness. If we want the More, then we must have the Together. Your role as a sterling wingman is vital to any level of success.

In the coming year, imagine zero DUI's, zero substance abuse cases, zero safety incidents, zero domestic violence reports and zero suicides. If achieved, our Wings would be heralded as a picture of strength and community to the entire USAF. But remember, this puzzle begins with a thousand little pieces, and even though it may be more difficult than it first appears, what a beautiful picture it will be when all the pieces come together.

Your piece to the puzzle is important. Make good decisions. Let's all be a part of the solution.



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Andrew Chojnacki, left, and Tech. Sgt. Laura Valentstein, both 176th Fighter Squadron F-110 jet engine mechanics, based out of Madison, Wisconsin, perform a final engine inspection at Misawa Air Base, Japan, Oct. 12, 2017. The guardsmen deployed to Kunsan Air Base, under the U.S. Air Force's Theater Security Package but traveled to Misawa AB to fix engines used by their unit as well as engines belonging to Misawa, Osan and Kunsan Air Bases. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Sadie)

Misawa supports Wisconsin ANG deployment in South Korea

By Airman 1st Class Sadie Colbert
35th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan -- Badgers aren't normally considered flying animals, but when you give them some tools, an F-16 Fighting Falcon jet engine and a cool facility, they are more than capable to provide fully-functional jet engines that power highly-maneuverable aircraft.

The 35th Maintenance Squadron backed four Air National Guardsmen from the 115th Fighter Wing, better known as the "Badgers," from Madison, Wisconsin, by providing them a centralized repair facility.

Currently, the 115th FW is deployed to Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, as a part of a Theater Security Package, but because there is not a centralized repair facility located at Kunsan AB, four members attached to the deployed unit were sent to Misawa AB to provide intermediate maintenance on F-110 jet engine models used in F-16s.

"Misawa's location is not only important for us, but also important to the U.S. because this is the only CRF base in the entire PACAF region," said Tech. Sgt. Gregory Witt, a 176th Fighter Squadron F-110 jet engine mechanic. "It's very important to have this resource available to maintain the ability for the jets to fly for the Air Force."

Witt explained that with the use of Misawa's CRF

facility they are able to completely disassemble the engines piece by piece, repair them, build them back up and send them back to their aircraft, which personnel normally cannot do on the flightline. He added that they not only provide the service to their squadron at Kunsan AB but also to aircraft from Osan AB.

"Any engine that requires intermediate maintenance at Kunsan or Osan AB will get sent here," Witt said.

With jet engines costing as much as \$3.8 million each, the Air Force must ensure their equipment receives the best quality repairs, and having the facility available allows the members to provide in-depth repairs to the engines. For some, the opportunity is rare.

"At home, I don't normally get a chance to perform intermediate maintenance on jet engines," said Tech. Sgt. Laura Valentstein, a 176th FS F-110 jet engine mechanic. "Usually, personnel send engines to the centralized repair facility in Springfield, Illinois. So this is a good time for me to get back to the basics of working in back shop maintenance."

As part of the Theater Security Package program, the 115th Fighter Wing deployed to the ROK in August for 3 months, busting out approximately 4,000 hours of work to support the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

"The Theater Security Package program has



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Adam Clements, a 176th Fighter Squadron F-110 jet engine mechanic, based out of Madison, Wisconsin, inserts a pin into an engine transfer at Misawa Air Base, Japan, Oct. 06, 2017. Under the Pacific Air Forces' Theater Security Package, the 115th Fighter Wing deployed to Kunsan Air Base, for three months and four of their Airmen traveled to Misawa AB to utilize the only centralized repair facility in the Pacific Air Forces. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Sadie Colbert)

been going on for many years," Witt said. "The Air National Guard is flying approximately 38 percent of the Air Force's sortie missions worldwide. They're doing it on seven cents to the dollar, so it's a very cost-effective move for the Air Force."

Although they aren't at their own squadron anymore, Staff Sgt. Adam Clements, a 176th FS F-110 jet engine mechanic, confirmed that he and his team comfortably work out of the 35th Maintenance Squadron's propulsion shop.

"It's been a smooth transition from working in Wisconsin to operating out of Misawa AB," Clements said. "Misawa has been welcoming and really helping us out by showing us the ropes, so we can use our combined knowledge to execute each repair to the best of our abilities."

Airmen with the 35th MXS agree that having the guardsmen at Misawa AB has worked to everyone's benefit.

"It's been awesome having them here," said Master Sgt. Matthew Rick, the 35th MXS F-110 propulsions maintenance flight superintendent. "The Air National Guardsmen help train our newer Airmen, which builds up our crews and allows us to get engines up and running quicker."

Rick added their shop appreciates the new perspective and multitude of experiences the crew brings to Misawa.

"It's nice to have new people come and bring a fresh set of eyes," Valenstein said. "It's a great way of keeping everyone accountable."



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Andrew Chojnacki, left, and Tech. Sgt. Laura Valenstein, both 176th Fighter Squadron F-110 jet engine mechanics, based out of Madison, Wisconsin, perform a final engine inspection at Misawa Air Base, Japan, Oct. 12, 2017. The 176th FS personnel worked approximately 4,000 hours in order to support their squadron, which is deployed to Kunsan Air Base, enabling a greater force of deterrence in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Sadie Colbert)

Exercise Courageous Channel 2017



U.S. Army Sgt. Jessebell Domingo, Fox Company 6-52 Air Defense Artillery Logistics Specialist, uses a wand metal detector on a noncombatant evacuee during Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 24, 2017. A Noncombatant Evacuation Operations exercise was held from Oct. 24-27. It provided more than 1,700 members from the base an opportunity to learn and understand the evacuation process to be better prepared in the event of an actual evacuation order. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)

By U.S. Air Force Story by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos, 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE -- A Noncombatant Evacuation Operation exercise was held at Osan Air Base from Oct. 24-27. Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 provided more than 1,700 members from the base an opportunity to learn and understand the evacuation process to be better prepared in case a real-world incident were to happen.

“This exercise allows our families to simulate doing an evacuation, so they can have an idea of what to do if a real NEO was to occur,” said U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Alana Westley, 51st Force Support Squadron Airman & Family Readiness Center readiness NCO.

A NEO is directed by the Department of State and is intended to evacuate people whose lives are in danger from locations in a foreign nation to an appropriate safe haven.

“It’s for all our Department of Defense civilians, non-mission essential civilians, dependents and contractors,” said Westley. “Anyone that does not have to stay on the base to defend it will be evacuated. So [the exercise] is for everyone to practice their roles in a NEO evacuation to get off the peninsula.”

The noncombatant evacuees are notified by NEO wardens assigned to their unit. Once notified, NCE’s must gather essential items such as clothes, passports, gas masks and other important documents needed for the processing line.

“In the event of an actual NEO, the NEO wardens will alert our family members to let them know the reporting instructions. The assembly point is



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Brian Tripp, 51st Civil Engineer Squadron emergency management journeyman, shows a noncombatant evacuee how to properly don a gas mask during Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 24, 2017. A Noncombatant Evacuation Operations exercise was held from Oct. 24-27 It provided more than 1,700 members from the base an opportunity to learn and understand the evacuation process to be better prepared in the event of an actual evacuation order. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)

here at the [base] which is why we practice here," said Westley. "We have all the agencies here and [the NCE's] essentially out-process from the base. They go through all the supporting agencies, turn in their forms and then they will leave."

It's critical for NCE to understand this process because conflicts or natural disasters that may initiate a NEO can be unpredictable.

"Knowing this type of information is extremely important. Especially with my husband being in the military, he's going to be staying here. I need to know what to do and be prepared to help my family, as well as other people who may feel uncomfortable [with this process]," said Elffie LaChance, military spouse. "This exercise provides me with the knowledge of how to do these things if the time ever comes [that we may be evacuated]."

Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 is a great way for individuals to ensure that everything they may need in a real scenario is in order. Doing so can help make their evacuation process run smoother.

"Having this knowledge of the process makes me feel much more comfortable," said LaChance. "I recommend people go through this, it may not happen, but still be prepared."

A military dependent is weighed during Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 24, 2017. A Noncombatant Evacuation Operations exercise was held from Oct. 24-27. It provided more than 1,700 members from the base an opportunity to learn and understand the evacuation process to be better prepared in the event of an actual evacuation order. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Audra Stanton, 607th Air Operation Center combat plans division air tasking order technician, guides noncombatant evacuees toward an entry control point during Exercise Courageous Channel 2017 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 24, 2017. A Noncombatant Evacuation Operations exercise was held from Oct. 24-27. It provided more than 1,700 members from the base an opportunity to learn and understand the evacuation process to be better prepared in the event of an actual evacuation order. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Franklin R. Ramos/Released)



U.S. Air Force's F-35A Lightning II scheduled for first operational deployment to Indo-Asia-Pacific

By Staff Sgt. Jack Sanders, Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

<above> U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. David Moore, an F-35A Lightning II pilot from the 34th Fighter Squadron, climbs out of the cockpit after a flight from Hill Air Force Base, Utah, to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, Oct. 30, 2017. A dozen F-35As and approximately 300 Airmen are on their way to Kadena Air Base, Japan, deployed under U.S. Pacific Command's (PACOM) Theater Security Package program, which has been in operation since 2004. This marks PACOM's first operational tasking for the F-35A and builds upon the successful debut of the fifth-generation stealth fighter in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region at the Seoul International Aerospace & Defense Exhibition earlier this month. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jack Sanders)

<bottom> Two U.S. Air Force F-35A Lightning IIs, deployed from Hill Air Force Base, Utah, taxi down the flight line at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, Oct. 30, 2017. A dozen F-35As and approximately 300 Airmen are on their way to Kadena Air Base, Japan, deployed under U.S. Pacific Command's (PACOM) Theater Security Package program, which has been in operation since 2004. This marks PACOM's first operational tasking for the F-35A and builds upon the successful debut of the fifth-generation stealth fighter in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region at the Seoul International Aerospace & Defense Exhibition earlier this month. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jack Sanders)



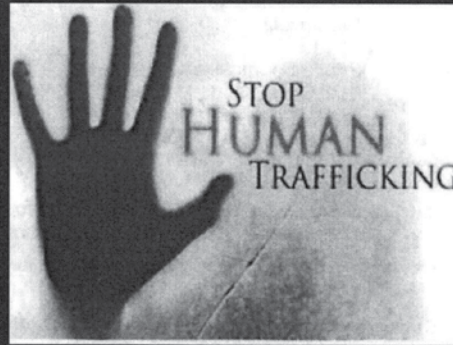


COMBATING TRAFFICKING PERSONS (CTIP)

BAR FINING IS ILLEGAL
 PAYING BAR EMPLOYEE'S TIMEOFF IS ILLEGAL
PROSTITUTION IS ILLEGAL

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS:

- Recruitment
- Transportation
- Transfer
- Harboring and/or receipt of persons
- By means of
 - Threat
 - Force
 - Coercion
 - Abduction
 - Fraud
 - Deception
 - Abuse
 - Exploitation



DO YOUR PART AND REPORT SIGNS OF TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

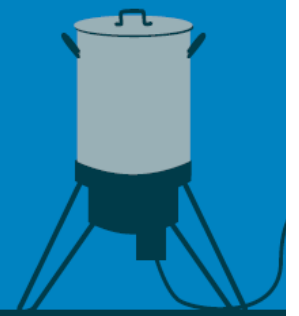
Osan AB, Area V contact Numbers (24 Hour Hotlines)
 USFK Human Trafficking Hotline : DSN: 315-736-9333, Comm: 0505-736-9333
 Osan AB Security Forces: DSN: 315-784-5515, Comm: 031-661-5515
 Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO): Commercial: 010-4573-6290
 Assistance to Nationals Officer/Philippine Embassy (ATN): Comm: 010-9263-8119



CTIP INDICATORS:

- Individuals...
 - Do not have their personal freedom
 - Do not have access to their passports
 - Not allowed to leave living quarters during non-work hours
 - Abusive physical contact (beating or sexual abuse)
 - Living at work location
 - Travel to/from work monitored/controlled

Recipe for Preventing Turkey Fryer Fires



Frying food is the greatest risk of cooking fires. Consider the dangers or risks before using a turkey fryer.

- ✓ Turkey fryers can easily tip over, spilling hot cooking oil over a large area.
- ✓ Without thermostat controls, deep fryers can overheat oil to the point of starting a fire.
- ✓ An overfilled cooking pot will cause cooking oil to spill when the turkey is put in, and a partially frozen turkey will cause cooking oil to splatter when put in the pot.
- ✓ The sides of the cooking pot, lid and pot handles can get dangerously hot.

According to the United States Fire Administration, for each year from 2011 to 2013, an estimated 2,100 residential building fires were reported to fire departments in the U.S. on Thanksgiving Day and caused an estimated 10 deaths, 50 injuries and \$28 million in property loss.

Thanksgiving is the peak day for home cooking fires. When you fry foods, you increase the risk of a cooking fire.

For more information, please call Fire Prevention Office at 784-4834 or 4835.

USAF, ROKAF, ANG take to skies over Korea

By 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs



U.S. Air Force pilots assigned to the 8th Fighter Wing and Republic of Korea Air Force pilots assigned to the 38th Fighter Group in a fingertip formation during a “Friendship Flight” mission in the airspace around Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 30, 2017. This type of mission, among other training sorties, allows pilots to communicate and hone skills necessary to carry out combined missions as a cohesive component. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Colby L. Hardin)



Lt. Col. Kurt Distelzweig, 35th Fighter Squadron commander, breaks left for his initial approach to Kunsan Air Base with Lt. Col. William Lutmer, 80th Fighter Squadron commander after finishing a fingertip formation flight.



U.S. Air Force pilots assigned to the 8th Fighter Wing and 176th Fighter Squadron as well as Republic of Korea Air Force pilots assigned to the 38th Fighter Group wait to takeoff at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 30, 2017. The pilots carried out a “Friendship Flight” mission, allowing them to strengthen cross-cultural communication and mission capabilities, ultimately enabling them to better prepare to execute the combat mission of “Take the Fight North” if called upon to do so. (U.S. Air Force photo by by Capt. Christopher Mesnard [top] & by Staff Sgt. Victoria Taylor [bottom])



Col. David G. Shoemaker, “Wolf,” 8th Fighter Wing commander, reviews mission plans with U.S. Air Force and Republic of Korea Air Force pilots during the “Friendship Flight” mission pre-flight brief at Kunsan Air Base. The “Friendship Flight” continued a long history of various joint training missions focused on strengthening partnerships and capabilities between the two nations, ensuring combined combat readiness on the Korean Peninsula. (Republic of Korea Air Force courtesy photo by Master Sgt. Jung Houn Kim)



U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Maurice Bedard, 31st Rescue Squadron, participates in a simulated combat search and rescue mission during Exercise Pacific Thunder 18-1 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 25 2017. Through combined CSAR training, Pacific Thunder enhances the combat effectiveness between U.S. and South Korean air forces. Exercises like Pacific Thunder ensure the region remains ready to "Fight Tonight." (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Gwendalyn Smith)

Exercise Pacific Thunder 18-1 continues strong



U.S. Air force 1st Lt. Lindsay Johnson, 25th Fighter Squadron A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot, plays as a downed pilot during Exercise Pacific Thunder 18-1 at Osan Air Base, Oct. 25, 2017. The overall objective of PAC-T is to prepare Pacific Air Forces combat search and rescue teams to accomplish their mission in any given scenario. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Gwendalyn Smith)



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Kyle Gibson, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron Water and Fuel Systems Maintenance journeyman, helps to clear debris during rapid airfield damage repair training at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 25, 2017. The new RADR process was developed by the Air Force Civil Engineer Center to repair damaged airfields at a faster pace. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)

8th CES creates harmony during RADR training

By Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE -- U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron participated in Rapid Airfield Damage Repair training at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, October 23 - 27, 2017.

The Air Force Civil Engineer Center developed the new RADR process to repair damaged airfields at a faster pace. The week-long, peninsula-wide training exercised Airmen's ability to develop and integrate a plan, while simultaneously coordinating, and executing operations in the field.

"Civil Engineers essentially keep everything running whether that be a building, utility systems, electrical, water, fuel, HVAC there are a magnitude of important jobs, but if the base were to get attacked, our first priority is to fix the airfield," said Capt. Austin McCall, 8th CES officer in charge. "To accomplish that we literally drop everything and pull almost the entire squadron to include non-civil engineer Airmen to augment because bottom line we have to get those planes back up and running and in a real-world situation this will be a 237-man operation."

To complete the training, the 8th CES established various task oriented teams from different shops in the squadron. The first team begins marking the damaged area and clearing debris which would impede the repair. Following close behind,

a second team would swiftly cut a square in the surface surrounding the damaged area with an excavator, removing remaining debris by hand and with heavy equipment until the area is within a pre-determined depth. Finally, a third team packs the opening with filler concrete and caps off the damaged area with rapid-set concrete to complete the job.

"This is our symphony," said Lt. Col. Matthew Altman "Devil", 8th CES commander. "Everything is planned down to 30-second increments. We have to have everyone working together in order for this to be successful."

The symphony heralds a new composition for the 8th Fighter Wing as they have learned a fresh piece that completely reinvents their capabilities of runway repair.

"Our legacy system was designed to repair only a few largely damaged areas at a time with material that only supported the landing and launching of our light-weight fighter aircraft about 100 times before it had to be repaired again," said McCall. "With this new concept, our goal is to repair up to 90 damaged areas within eight hours and the material we use can facilitate the landing of any aircraft and is good for more than 3,000 sorties."

With the new training in hand, the Wolf Pack continues to stay mission ready and prepared to defend the base, accept follow-on forces and take the fight north.



U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron participate in the strategic planning portion of rapid airfield damage repair training at Kunsan Air Base, Oct. 25, 2017. The new RADR process was developed by the Air Force Civil Engineer Center to repair damaged airfields at a faster pace. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Victoria H. Taylor)