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Seollal is an opportunity for the entire family to engage in fun activities together. The most common activity is yunnori, a traditional board game. This game is so easy to learn that all family members, regardless of age, can enjoy playing. Yunnori is played by throwing four sticks and moving your game markers around the board depending on the number of up-facing sticks. (Courtesy photo)

Celebrating Seollal in Korea

Courtesy of Korea Tourism Organization

Seollal (Lunar New Year's Day; first day of the lunar calendar) is one of the most celebrated national holidays in Korea. While many observe Sinjeong (Solar New Year; January 1 of the Gregorian/Western calendar), Koreans also celebrate Seollal, which usually lasts for three days (the day of, the day before, and the day after). This year, Seollal falls on January 25 of the Gregorian calendar.

More than just a holiday to mark the beginning of a new year, Seollal is truly a special occasion for Korean people. Not only is it a time for paying respect to ancestors, but it is also an opportunity to catch up with family members. During Seollal, Koreans usually perform ancestral rites, play folk

games, eat traditional foods, listen to stories and talk well into the night. Read on to discover how Koreans celebrate Seollal.

In Korea, the rush to prepare for Seollal begins days beforehand. Food is prepared in advance and people begin to purchase and package gifts for their parents and relatives. Another crucial part of preparing for Seollal for many people is making travel arrangements to visit their hometowns. There is a mad rush to book buses, trains, or plane tickets before they all sell out. Traveling during the holidays can take two to four times the normal travel time due to heavy traffic.

Celebrations have changed from the past but in general, the morning of Seollal begins with the family members gathering in their seolbim (special

clothing for Seollal) for an ancestral rite. The ritual is conducted to express respect and gratitude to one's ancestors. Following the rite, everyone gathers together and eats the ritual food. The main dish of the day is tteokguk, a traditional soup made with sliced rice cakes, beef, egg, vegetables, and other ingredients. In Korea, the clear broth of tteokguk is believed to symbolize starting out the year with a clean mind and body.

After the meal, the younger generations of the family pay respect to their elders by taking a deep bow called sebae. Then, the elders offer their blessings and wishes for a prosperous year. Children often receive sebaetdon (New Year's money) as a Seollal gift. For the remainder of the day, family members play traditional folk games, eat food, and share stories.

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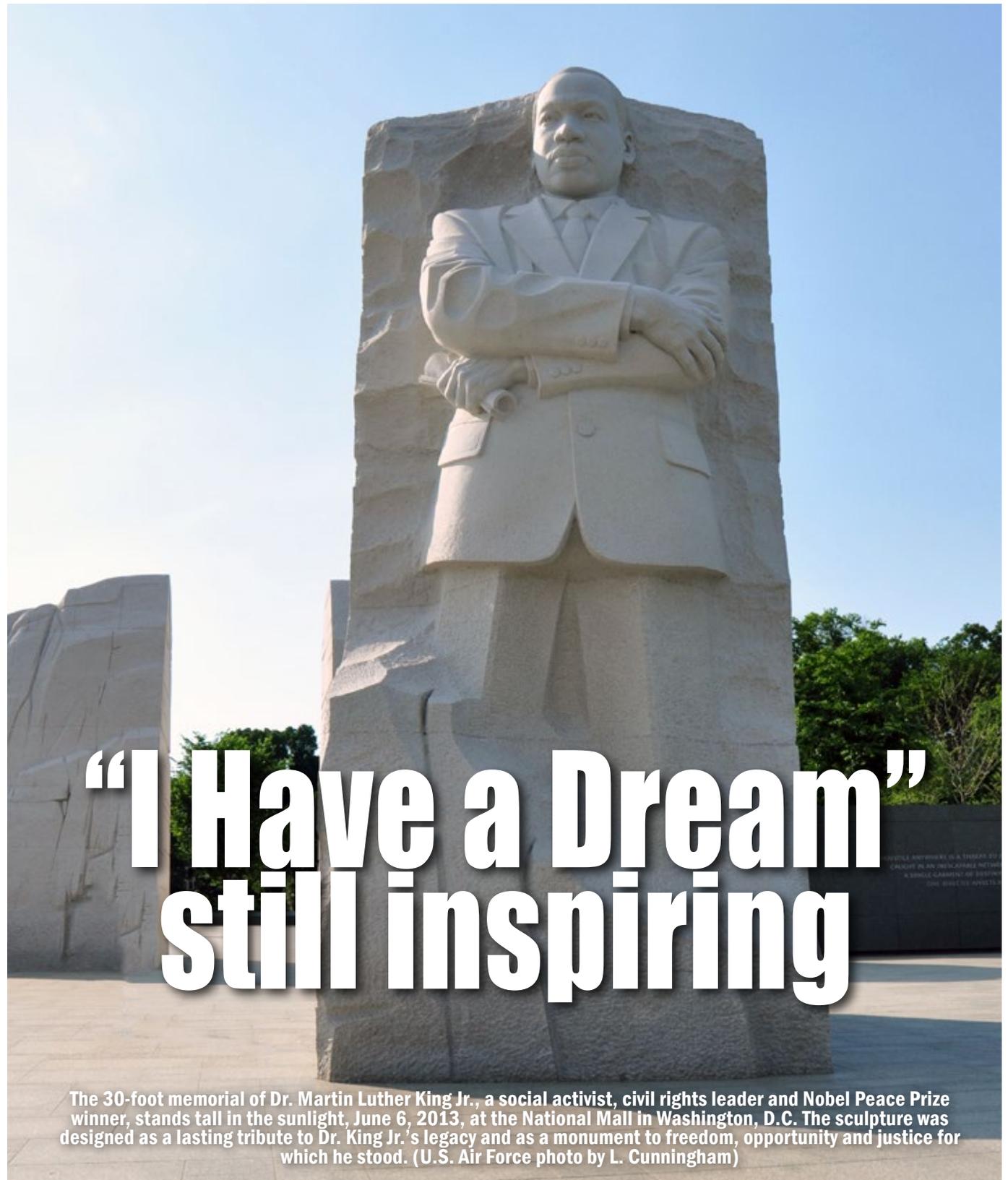
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“I Have a Dream” still inspiring

The 30-foot memorial of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a social activist, civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner, stands tall in the sunlight, June 6, 2013, at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. The sculpture was designed as a lasting tribute to Dr. King Jr.'s legacy and as a monument to freedom, opportunity and justice for which he stood. (U.S. Air Force photo by L. Cunningham)

By L. Cunningham
55th Wing Public Affairs

OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. (AFNS) -- “I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: ‘We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.’ ... I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.”

These words were spoken by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in his “I Have a Dream” speech in August, 1963, at the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C.

Dr. King Jr. was a Baptist minister, turned social activist and civil rights leader who called for civil and economic rights and an end to racism. In 1964, King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize at the age of 35 for his work for civil

rights and social justice. When first selected, he said the \$54,123 prize would be given to further continue the civil rights movement.

“All that I have said boils down to the point of affirming that mankind’s survival is dependent upon man’s ability to solve the problems of racial injustice, poverty and war: the solution of these problems is in turn dependent upon man squaring his moral progress with his scientific progress, and learning the practical art of living in harmony,” King said as part of his acceptance speech in Oslo, Norway.

Dr. King Jr. was assassinated April 4, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee, at the age of 39. He was to have led a protest march the next day in sympathy with garbage workers on strike.

Twenty three years later in January 1986, this nation commenced the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a man who

strove for freedom, justice and equality amongst all the people of this nation.

In August 2011, a monument inspired by his “I Have a Dream” speech was unveiled in West Potomac Park, Washington, D.C. Dr. King Jr. was the first African American to be honored at the National Mall.

King had a pivotal role in ending legal segregation of African-American citizens and prompting the creation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a day to remember and commemorate a man who inspired this country to be a better nation.

We continue this struggle to be better people every day. Some of us are still inspired by Dr. King’s message, his speeches, books and dreams; that one day, no matter the color of your skin, the fight for justice and equality will succeed.

80th AMU wins load crew competition



By Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Representing the 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Calvin Corpuz, left, Staff Sgt. Kailin Rime, center, and Senior Airman John Whitaker, right, took home the trophy for load crew of the quarter during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. The three-person crews were evaluated on safety, reliability, technical proficiency and time. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez)

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- The 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit won load crew of the quarter during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Jan. 3.

The defending champions competed against the 35th AMU to see which team could best load an F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft with two munitions. The three-person crews were evaluated on safety, reliability, technical proficiency and time. Prior to the competition, the crews were also graded on a weapons system knowledge exam, a tool kit inspection and dress and appearance.

Additionally, two AMU dedicated crew chief teams were evaluated on aircraft appearance, personal dress and appearance, and overall maintenance knowledge. The 35th AMU took home the trophy for best dedicated crew chief team of the quarter.



Representing the 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Tamara Roth and Airman 1st Class Courtney Farrer, won dedicated crew chief team of the quarter during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. The teams were evaluated on aircraft appearance, personal dress and appearance, and overall maintenance knowledge. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez)

Representing the 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Tamara Roth and Airman 1st Class Courtney Farrer, won dedicated crew chief team of the quarter during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. The teams were evaluated on aircraft appearance, personal dress and appearance, and overall maintenance knowledge. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez) ▶



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. David Torres, 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew team chief, loads an F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. Prior to the competition, the crews were graded on a weapons system knowledge exam, a tool kit inspection and dress and appearance. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez) ▲



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kailin Rime, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew team chief, straps down a munition for movement during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. The 80th AMU took first, beating the 35th AMU with a total of 965 points. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez) ▲

A 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew team loads an F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft during the 8th Maintenance Group's fourth quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 3, 2020. Prior to the competition, the crews were graded on a weapons system knowledge exam, a tool kit inspection and dress and appearance. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez) ◀

Aggressors fly south for mobile training



U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Chad Richards, 354th Fighter Wing director of staff, talks to a 354th Maintenance Group crew chief at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, Jan. 6, 2020. While at Sentry Aloha 20-1, a combat exercise hosted by the Hawaii Air National Guard, the 18th AGRS will share its knowledge of flying with participating units to guarantee the best air-combat training possible. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Beaux Hebert) ◀

A U.S. Air Force pilot assigned to the 18th Aggressor Squadron (AGRS) signals the 'Blue Fox' hand gesture while taxiing on the flight line at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, Jan. 6, 2020. The 18th AGRS's job is to replicate adversary tactics, techniques and procedures to provide a simulated combat experience to Combat Air Force, joint and allied aircrews. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Aaron Larue Guerrisky) ▼

By Staff Sgt. Mackenzie Mendez, 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

EIELSON AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska -- The 18th Aggressor Squadron departed Eielson this week to participate in exercise Sentry Aloha 20-1, which is scheduled to take place at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, Jan. 8-22.

For more than 20 years, Sentry Aloha exercises have provided tailored, cost-effective and realistic combat training for the U.S. Air Force, Air National Guard and other military personnel. It provides U.S. warfighters with the skill sets necessary to perform homeland defense and overseas combat missions.

"Our very own 18th Aggressor Squadron has departed for this year's mobile training across the Pacific," said Col. Ben Bishop, 354th Fighter Wing commander. "These professionals will carry out our mission in the Pacific theater and prepare our total force partners for 21st century combat."

Sentry Aloha is the first stop of the year for the 18th AGRS Mobile Training Team. Their mission in the exercise is to replicate adversary tactics, techniques and procedures by creating a realistic combat scenario.

To support the exercise, 354th Maintenance Group

professionals orchestrated a successful launch of F-16 Fighting Falcons in freezing temperatures, which reached negative 40 degrees Fahrenheit on the flight line.

"The big muscle movement we accomplished leading up to the exercise was increasing our mission capable rate by 30 percent to reach 95 percent. This led directly to the successful launch for Sentry Aloha this week," said Chief Master Sgt. Jay Stokes, 354th MXG superintendent. "Our maintainers will help produce the same mission in Hawaii as they do here in Alaska, which is to support the 18th Aggressor Squadron fleet as they replicate the threat in training."

Other participating units include KC-135 Stratotankers from the Wisconsin Air National Guard, F-15 Eagles from the California Air National Guard and radar aircraft from Oklahoma. The visiting aircraft will take part in simulated combat exercises with the 199th and 19th Fighter Squadron's F-22 Raptors.

Following Sentry Aloha, the 18th AGRS will fly to Anderson AFB, Guam, to train with other U.S. and international partners in exercise Cope North.



354th Fighter Wing maintainers inspect a U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon assigned to the 18th Aggressor Squadron on the flight line at Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska, Jan. 6, 2020. The Airmen operated in a windchill factor of minus 54 degrees to ensure the F-16s were ready to depart for Sentry Aloha 20-1. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Aaron Larue Guerrisky)

Airmen Against Drunk Driving: We drive to save lives



By Airman 1st Class China M. Shock
35th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A Team Misawa member calls Airman Against Drunk Driving at Misawa Air Base, Japan, Jan. 11, 2020. A2D2 operates out of T's Burritos Friday to Saturday from 11:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. A2D2 members volunteer to save lives and practice good wingmanship. To use their services, call 0176-77-2232 or DSN 226-2232. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class China M. Shock) ▲

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan -- A group of Airmen sit in T's Burritos, watching television shows, playing video games, studying and talking amongst each other, waiting for the phone to ring.

This is what an average Friday and Saturday night looks like for an Airmen Against Drunk Driving volunteer.

"It is best to plan ahead before drinking, and having A2D2 volunteers really helps," expressed Airman 1st Class Logan Dickson, a 35th Comptroller Squadron financial services technician and A2D2 volunteer. "A2D2 volunteers stand ready to take military members home."

A2D2 transportation services ensure base members get home safe, mitigating any potential risks of impeding the 35th Fighter Wing mission.

"I want to really encourage Airmen to make responsible choices up front," said Jim Bibbee, the unit community support coordinator. "We are not here to enable people to drink to no end just because A2D2 is available to them, but we are a safety net for those whose plans fell through."

A2D2 volunteers have different reasons for volunteering personal time to help their fellow Airmen.

"I take time out of my personal life to volunteer because I see the effect drunk driving has on the community," said Dickson. "It gives me satisfaction knowing I help keep the base and local community safe."



The Airmen Against Drunk Driving program is a source Airmen can use to save themselves from the consequences of drinking and driving. These consequences can include, but are not limited to, a reduction in rank, forfeiture of pay and allowances, dishonorable discharges and imprisonment. For more information about A2D2 or to use their services, call 0176-77-2232 or DSN 226-2232 (U.S. Air Force graphic by Airman 1st Class China M. Shock) ▲

The effects of a DUI can be damaging to an Airman's career; a reduction in rank, forfeiture of pay and allowances, dishonorable discharges and imprisonment are all possible repercussions.

This program can save Airmen from the consequences that come along with drinking and driving. A2D2 recorded 3,407 saves for 2019.

"A2D2 ensures the safety of the mission's most important asset: people," stressed Staff Sgt. Kiernan Judd, a 35th Mental Operations Squadron mental health technician and lead coordinator for A2D2. "We are committed to the

safety of our fellow Airmen and the preservation of our relationship with the city of Misawa."

These members look to expand operations by having the capabilities of taking Airmen who live off base home.

"We just need more volunteers, explained Judd. "We have a new incentive program to recognize our volunteers as they accrue hours."

This program consists of squadron leadership coining A2D2 members who volunteered 20 hours or more of service during their time in Misawa.

For more information about A2D2 or to use their services, call 0176-77-2232 or DSN 226-2232 Friday to Saturday from 11:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.

These volunteers keep the Misawa community safe by providing a means of transportation for free.

"A2D2 aims to mitigate people driving under the influence by providing rides to Airmen whose plans to get home safely have fallen through," said Judd. "We seek to enhance wingmanship through voluntary peer-to-peer support."

Staying connected in the clouds



Airmen from the 65th Air and Space Communication Shop and 747th Communications Squadron flew on a 65th Airlift Squadron local flight to see one of the missions they support at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, Jan. 8, 2020. The mission of the 65th Airlift Squadron would not be possible without support from the 56th Air and Space Communication Shop and 747th Communications Squadron.

By Staff. Sgt. Nicholas Brown
15th Wing Public Affairs

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii -- Having access to phones and internet is more important than it's ever been. We want to be able to reach people and information we deem important. General and flag officers need this access, even on official travel anywhere around the globe.

The mission of the 65th Airlift Squadron is to provide global airlift with communication to general and flag officers. There are only eight distinguished visitor airlift squadrons in the Air Force, and the 65th AS serves DVs throughout the Indo-Pacific area of responsibility.

Tech. Sgt. Matthew Huch, 65th AS communications system operator, recalls his first mission with a general officer.

"It was great to see how we provide no fail communication during the flight, and that helps to strengthen relationships with other

countries," said Huch.

Enabling global airlift and communication to senior leaders isn't done by one squadron alone.

The 65th works with different agencies on base, such as the 56th Air and Space Communication Shop and the 747th Communications Squadron.

The 56th ACOMS enables satellite communication for training missions and exercises, which enables operators to obtain high standards of proficiency.

"I come into work knowing what I do has a direct impact, and I can see that impact of maintaining air superiority is shown in the news," said Airman 1st Class Rory Terrill, 56th ACOMS radio frequency transmissions technician.

Recently, the 747th CS helped replace broken broadband network equipment and provided firmware updates for the 65th AS. Without the equipment replaced, the 65th would not be able to provide communication on flights.

"Our mission delivers agile air, space, and cyberspace capabilities in support of

INDOPACOM's objectives, uniting allies and partners to enhance regional stability and security," said Senior Airman Evan Vazquez, 747th CS network technician.

The 65th AS took Airmen from both units on a familiarization flight to show them the impact they have on the mission.

"It was amazing to see how we contribute to their mission" said Vazquez, "I can see why Generals would want to fly in this plane."

The 65th AS is the vehicle that senior leaders use in order to strengthen relationships with our allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific, enabling ironclad teamwork with other countries.

"Without the aid of these Airmen, along with their partnering agencies, the 65th Airlift Squadron would be unable to fulfill our high-priority mission," said Lt. Col. Neil Senkowski, commander of the 65th AS "This flight today strengthened the understanding and cooperation between our squadrons and further ensured our success, and ultimately that of our DV users."



JGSDF soldiers with the 1st Airborne Brigade, U.S. Army Reserve Alaska & 82nd Airborne soldiers and Airmen from the 374th Airlift Wing prepare for Japanese Forces' annual New Year Jump aboard U.S. Air Force C-130J Super Hercules from the 36th Airlift Squadron out of Yokota Air Base, Japan, Jan. 10, 2020. The jump showcases a bilateral capability bringing military power together to train and emphasize a strong commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica R. Avallone)

US, Japan forces welcome new year with bilateral jump

By Airman 1st Class Brieana E. Bolfig
374th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan -- Three U.S. Air Force C-130J Super Hercules aircraft from the 36th Airlift Squadron out of Yokota Air Base, Japan, participated in the Japanese forces' annual New Year's jump at Camp Narashino training area, Chiba, Japan, Jan. 12.

This is the first year the Air Force participated in the event featuring the bilateral collaboration between U.S. and Japanese forces, utilizing aircraft from both the U.S. Air Force and Japan Air Self-Defense Force and jumpers from the U.S. Army and the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force.

"The New Year's jump originally started back in the 1960s and became open to public viewing in the 1970s," said Capt. Robert Frisch, 36th Airlift Squadron project officer. "It is the prayer for safe deployment of chutes festival, where each year the (Japan Air Self-Defense Force and Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) get together and show the public their capabilities to do a joint jump on a small drop-zone area. That drop-zone location is at Camp Narashino, which is right on the border of Tokyo and Chiba Prefecture. It is pretty much in the city, allowing lots of people to attend."

The Japan Ground Self-Defense Force soldiers, with the 1st Airborne Brigade, along with U.S. Army Reserve Alaska and 82nd Airborne soldiers, jumped from the combined U.S. Air Force and Japan Air Self-Defense



U.S. Army Reserve Alaska & 82nd Airborne soldiers prepare for Japanese Forces' annual New Year Jump aboard U.S. Air Force C-130J Super Hercules from the 36th Airlift Squadron out of Yokota Air Base, Japan, Jan. 10, 2020. The jump showcases a bilateral capability bringing military power together to train and emphasize a strong commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica R. Avallone)



Force aircraft, showcasing the combined bilateral military capability in a training environment.

“This is a team effort to successfully complete this event,” said Col. Kevin Martin, 374th Operations Group commander. “It’s important as we go forward, whether we are Air Force or Army, whether we wear a U.S. or Japanese flag, that we come together as a team.”

“This is a New Year’s celebration. Though the true reality is this shows a bilateral effort by the (Japan Air and Ground Self-Defense Forces), the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army to provide combat power.”

The jump emphasized the U.S. and Japan’s strong commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region, while showcasing the variety of aircraft both military are capable of utilizing.

“We have three C-130J’s from the U.S. side, two (Japan Air Self-Defense Force) C-130H Hercules, two C-1s and a C-2 all relatively close to each other dropping both U.S., Army and (Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) together over a short period of time. It takes a lot of coordination to make that happen,” Frisch said. “We can incorporate this type of training into literally anything else, be it landing on an island or any other scenario. We have shown we are capable of so much when we work together.”

“The fact that we can have (Japan Ground Self-Defense Force) and U.S. Army on our aircraft or on their aircraft, shows we can collaborate as one seamlessly. So, to see that happen and do a joint jump, where within just a few minutes we can get 300 combat-ready troops on the ground in a very small area, that’s just really cool to be a part of.”

This event is the first of the year for the Air Force but just the latest in a series of bilateral training exercises that, for decades, have increased the combat readiness and friendship between the U.S. and Japan.

“As the commander of the Japanese airborne troops,” said Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Maj. Gen. Shigeo Kaida, 1st Airborne Brigade commander. “I cannot think of a better way to work than to do this event with the U.S. and express my deep appreciation to every U.S. soldier and Airmen involved in this New Year’s jump.”

“This New Year’s jump event isn’t just another event; it was an opportunity to learn from each other and improve together. We understand there are many differences between us we may have to overcome and that makes this a complicated operation, but in overcoming those challenges, we increase our ability to conduct better airborne operations and that is the true value of what we did here today.”



U.S. Air Force Col. Otis C. Jones, 374th Airlift Wing commander, left, Japan Ground Self-Defense Force Maj. Gen. Shigeo Kaida, 1st Airborne Brigade commander, center, and U.S. Air Force Col. Kevin Martin, 374th Operations Group commander, right, take a moment to talk before the jump safety brief at Yokota Air Base, Japan, Jan. 8, 2020. The ongoing partnership between U.S. and Japanese forces continues to demonstrate both country’s commitment to maintaining stability and security throughout the Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Brieana E. Bolfiging) ▲



Japan Ground Self-Defense Force and U.S. Army troops file into C-130J Super Hercules aircrafts prior to the first bilateral jump event of the new year over Camp Narashino, Chiba, Japan, Jan. 12 2020. The drop consisted of three C-130Js from Yokota Air Base, two Japan Air Self-Defense Force C-130H Hercules, two C-1s, and a C-2, dropping a total of 301 U.S. Army and JGSDF jumpers.(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Taylor A. Workman) ▲



JGSDF soldiers with the 1st Airborne Brigade prepare for Japanese Forces’ annual New Year Jump outside a U.S. Air Force C-130J Super Hercules from the 36th Airlift Squadron out of Yokota Air Base, Japan, Jan. 10, 2020. The jump showcases a bilateral capability bringing military power together to train and emphasize a strong commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica R. Avallone) ▲

Pearl Harbor survivor relates his World War II odyssey



A recent undated photo of William P. Bonelli. Location unknown. (Photo Credit: Courtesy of William P. Bonelli)

By David Vergun, Defense.gov

In 1940, William P. Bonelli, 19, had no desire to join the military. The nation was not yet at war, but Bonelli, who followed the war news in Europe and Asia, said he knew deep inside that war was coming, and probably soon.

Rather than wait for the war to start and get a draft notice, Bonelli decided to enlist in the Army to select a job he thought he'd like: aviation.

Although he wanted to be a fighter pilot, Bonelli said that instead, the Army Air Corps made him an aviation mechanic.

After basic training, he was assigned to Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, where he arrived by boat in September 1940.

On Dec. 6, 1941, Bonelli and a buddy went to a recreational camping area on the west side of Oahu. That evening, he recalled seeing a black vehicle parked on the beach with four Japanese men inside. The vehicle had two long whip antennas mounted to the rear bumper. Bonelli said he thought it odd at the time. Later, he added, he felt certain that they were there to guide enemy planes to targets.

Early Sunday morning, Dec. 7, Bonelli and his buddy drove back to the base. After passing Wheeler Army Airfield, which is next to Honolulu, they saw three small, single-engine aircraft flying very low.

"I had never seen these aircraft before, so I said, jokingly to my friend, 'Those aren't our aircraft. I wonder whose they are? You know, we might be at war,'" he remembered.

A few minutes later as they were approaching Hickam, the bombing started. Since they were on an elevation, Bonelli said, they could see the planes bombing the military bases as well as Ford Island, where Navy ships were in flames, exploding and sinking.

Bonelli and his buddy went to the supply room at Hickam to get rifles and ammunition.

"I got in line," he said. "The line was slow-moving because the supply sergeant wanted rank, name and serial number. All the time, we were being strafed with concentrated bursts.

"Several men were hit but there were no fatalities," he continued. The sergeant dispensed with signing and said, 'Come and get 'em.'"

By 8:30 a.m., Bonelli had acquired a rifle, two belts of bullets and a handgun with several clips. He distinctly remembered firing at four Japanese Zero aircraft with his rifle and pistol, but there was no indication of a hit.

Bodies were everywhere, and a bulldozer was digging a trench close to the base hospital for the burial of body parts, he said.

All of the hangars with aircraft inside were bombed, while the empty ones weren't, he said.



An undated photo of William P. Bonelli in Hawaii with his girlfriend. (Photo Credit: Courtesy of William P. Bonelli)



An undated photo of William P. Bonelli in Italy with his flight crew. Back row, left to right: Army Staff Sgt. Harry Murray, later killed in action; Army Staff Sgt. Freeman Quinn; Army Staff Sgt. James Oakley; Army Staff Sgt. Karl Main; Army Tech. Sgt. John Raney; and, Army Tech. Sgt. Howard Morreau. Front row, left to right: Army 1st Lt. Charles Cranford, navigator; 1st Lt. Steve Conway, co-pilot; Capt. Fred Anderson, bombardier; and Bonelli, the pilot. (Photo Credit: Courtesy of William P. Bonelli) ◀

"There is no doubt in my mind that the Japanese pilots had radio contact from the ground," he added.

In 1942, Bonelli's squadron was relocated to Nadi, Fiji. There, he worked on B-17 Flying Fortress heavy bombers as a qualified engineer, crew chief and gunner.

In 1943, Bonelli resubmitted his papers for flight school and was accepted, traveling back to the United States for training in Hobbs, New Mexico.

He got orders to Foggia, Italy, in 1944 and became a squadron lead pilot in the 77rd Bomb Squadron, 463rd Bomb Group. They flew the B-17s.

Bonelli led his squadron in 30

sorties over Austria, Italy, Germany, Hungary and Czechoslovakia until April 1945, just before the war ended.

The second sortie over Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, on Oct. 23, 1944, was the one he recalled as being the worst, with much of the cockpit blown apart and the rest of the aircraft shot up badly.

For the next few days, Bonelli said, he felt shaken. The Germans on the ground were very proficient with the 88 mm anti-aircraft weapons, and they could easily pick off the U.S. bombers flying at 30,000 feet, he said.

Normally, the squadrons would fly in a straight line for the bombing

runs. Bonelli said he devised a strategy to deviate about 400 feet from the straight-line trajectory on the next sortie, Nov. 4 over Regensburg, Germany.

The tactic worked, he said, and the squadron sustained lighter damage. So he used that tactic on subsequent missions, and he said many lives of his squadron were undoubtedly saved because of it.

When the war ended, Bonelli had a change of heart and decided to stay in the Army Air Corps, which became the Air Force in 1947. He said he developed a love for flying and aviation mechanic work. He stayed in and retired after having served 20 years.

He also realized his dream to become a fighter pilot, flying the F-84F Thunderstreak, a fighter-bomber, which, he said, was capable of carrying a small nuclear weapon.

After retiring, Bonelli got a career with the Federal Aviation Administration, working in a variety of aviation specialties.

Looking back over his military and civilian careers, he said he was blessed with doing jobs he loves, although there were, of course, some moments of anxiety when bullets were flying.

He offered that a stint or career in the military can be a rewarding experience for ambitious young people.

24 Solar Terms (Part 24)

By KyongHui "Jennie" Pae

24. Dae Han: Severe Cold

In the coldest time of winter

Meaning "big cold," is the end of a 24-season knot, around January 20 when the Sun's ecliptic is 305 degrees.

Dae Han, which means a big cold, is due around January 20. Although it is the coldest day by name, it has been deprived of its status in Korea as the coldest. As Daehan passes, the cold weather begins to subside, and the saying goes, "There is no such thing as cold and mild." Usually, Sohan's ice is so warm that it is said to melt in the Korean Peninsula. In Jeju Island, the five-day period after Daehan to three days before Ipchun, it is said that the mischievous "ghosts" involved in human everyday life are all involved at the same time, so there is a myth that they would not be able to move or repair their homes.

Reference: Korean Folk Culture Research



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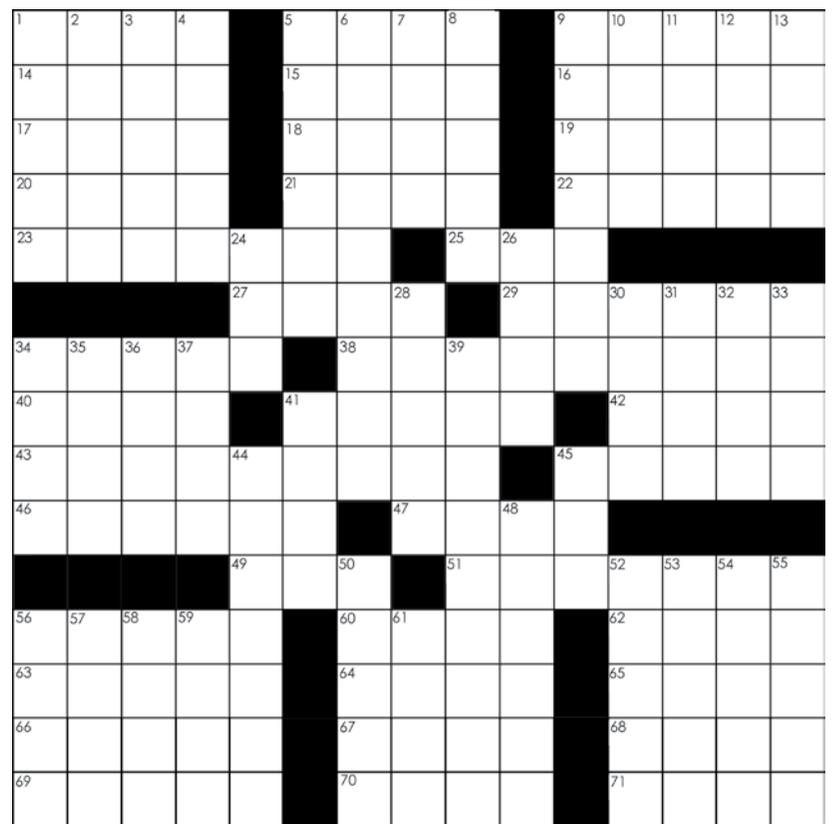
SEOL-NAL (LUNAR NEW YEAR): All Korean National (KN) civilian employees will observe 24, 25, and 26 Jan 2020 as Seol-Nal (Lunar New Year) holidays. Monday, 27 Jan 2020 is an alternate paid day off as 26 Jan falls on Sunday. KN employees who are required to work during these days will be paid holiday premium pay.

All non-mission essential U.S. civilian employees will be released from duty without charge to leave or loss of pay on Saturday, 25 Jan 2020 for the Korean Lunar New Year. U.S. civilian employees required to work are not authorized either holiday premium pay or a substitute day off. The absence of non-mission essential U.S. civilian employees on 25 Jan 2020 is Administrative Leave and should be coded LN in ATAAPS.

Any questions should be directed to Labor and Employee Management Relations Section of the Civilian Personnel Office at 784-4434/8177.

The Crossword

By Jon Dunbar



ACROSS

- 1 "Rebel ____"
- 5 ____, crackle, pop
- 9 Mindfreak Angel
- 14 Window
- 15 Velcro alternative
- 16 Andong traditional village
- 17 Curves
- 18 Actress Watson or Stone
- 19 Large open space
- 20 The seven ____
- 21 Some drinks
- 22 Chase away
- 23 Domino's local competitor
- 25 Electric fish
- 27 Watched
- 29 Many Korean War battles happened on these
- 34 Fourteen divided by two
- 38 Korean alcoholic drink

- 40 Eager
- 41 Looney ____
- 42 Should
- 43 "Sympathy for Lady ____"
- 45 Las ____
- 46 Marx's partner
- 47 Type of fail
- 49 ER procedure
- 51 Forays
- 56 Mr. T show
- 60 Marvel chief Avi
- 62 Writer Bombeck
- 63 Bart's mom
- 64 Polynesian style
- 65 Strut
- 66 Church instrument
- 67 Opposite of closed
- 68 Turkish currency
- 69 Athletic game
- 70 Flatten
- 71 Hardworking bugs

DOWN

- 1 Seizure
- 2 Attendant
- 3 Open a bottle
- 4 Soccer star Lionel
- 5 Seedy
- 6 Seoul's oldest market
- 7 41 Across company
- 8 Portsmouth airport
- 9 Between Bravo and Delta
- 10 Anger
- 11 Denny's competitor
- 12 Painful
- 13 ____ Team Six
- 24 Type of Buddhism
- 26 Units of work
- 28 Foxtrot or waltz
- 30 Stephen King's "Under the ____"
- 31 Drinking sound
- 32 "Frozen" princess

- 33 Relaxes in a chair
- 34 Rescue
- 35 Opposite of odd
- 36 Actor Rhames
- 37 U2 guitarist
- 39 Mementos
- 41 Duty
- 44 Something on the periodic table
- 45 DVD player predecessor
- 48 Disinfectant
- 50 Croc cousin
- 52 Inventor Nikola
- 53 Crocodile Hunter Steve
- 54 Lotte Mart rival
- 55 Epics
- 56 "____ and Andy"
- 57 Tent material
- 58 Cogito ____ sum
- 59 Growth medium
- 61 TV host Kelly

Answers to Previous Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 JET
- 4 SGT
- 7 DMZ
- 10 BBQ
- 13 ODA
- 14 LAW
- 15 RIO
- 16 AYE
- 17 EULJIRO
- 18 SLOSHED
- 21 KAMD
- 22 KMPR
- 23 JJIM
- 25 ESSAY
- 29 CAMP
- 32 SENSE
- 34 PEP
- 35 CAIRO
- 36 AIG
- 37 TROOPER
- 40 NIS
- 41 HUT
- 42 LOU
- 43 ATM
- 46 ANTOINE
- 48 MIA
- 51 CHAIN
- 53 EVE
- 54 LYING
- 56 TEST
- 57 TRADE
- 59 ESSE
- 60 SETH
- 62 NILS
- 64 CRIMSON

- 67 ENGLISH
- 70 REV
- 71 ASH
- 72 DUO
- 73 LTE
- 74 TOE
- 75 REL
- 76 MIR
- 77 EXO

DOWN

- 1 JOE
- 2 EDU
- 3 TALKING
- 4 SLIM
- 5 GARDE
- 6 TWO
- 7 DRS
- 8 MILKY
- 9 ZOOM
- 10 BAHRAIN
- 11 BYE
- 12 QED
- 18 JAMS
- 20 SPCA
- 23 JSA
- 24 JEI
- 26 SPOTTER
- 27 SEO
- 28 APPLIED
- 30 MRI
- 31 POS
- 33 ETHAN
- 35 CRUEL
- 38 RUN
- 39 EON
- 43 ACT
- 44 THE
- 45 MASSIVE

- 47 OVA
- 48 MISSILE
- 49 INS
- 50 AGE
- 52 ITEM
- 55 YELL
- 57 THOSE
- 58 ENNUI
- 61 TSAR
- 63 IGOR
- 64 CRT
- 65 REO
- 66 NHL
- 67 EDM
- 68 STX
- 69 HEO

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A 413th Flight Test Squadron HH-60W Pave Hawk hangs in the anechoic chamber at the Joint Preflight Integration of Munitions and Electronic Systems hangar, Jan. 6, 2020, at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. The J-PRIMES anechoic chamber is a room designed to stop internal reflections of electromagnetic waves, as well as insulate from external sources of electromagnetic noise. (U.S. Air Force photo by Samuel King Jr.) ▶



Airman 1st Class Hunter Underwood, 63rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief, inspects the wheel of an F-35A Lightning II Jan. 7, 2020, at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz. Luke AFB is the largest F-35A training base in the Air Force, providing combat-ready Airmen and pilots. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Alexander Cook) ▼



Airmen from the 29th Aircraft Maintenance Unit check over the first MQ-9 Reaper to be transported through ferry flight, Jan. 8, 2020, on Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. Typically when new MQ-9s are sent to Holloman AFB, they are taken apart to ship and then reassembled when they arrive. A ferry flight allows for the aircraft to be flown to its destination. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Autumn Vogt) ▶



The waning gibbous moon is seen above a C-5 Galaxy on the flightline at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, Jan. 10, 2020. Frigid weather caused the nearby trees to be engulfed in frost as Airmen worked to maintain the transport aircraft. The C-5 enables the U.S. Air Force to provide heavy intercontinental-range strategic airlift capabilities, and is one of the largest aircraft in the world. (U.S. Air Force photo by Justin Connaher)



The active duty 388th and Reserve 419th Fighter Wings conducted an F-35 Lightning II Combat Power Exercise at Hill Air Force Base, Utah, Jan. 6, 2020. The exercise demonstrated the ability to employ a large force of F-35As, testing readiness in the areas of personnel accountability, aircraft generation, ground operations, flight operations and combat capability against air and ground targets. (U.S. Air Force photo by R. Nial Bradshaw) ◀

Airmen of the 332nd Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron unroll a fuel bladder at the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing, Southwest Asia Jan. 11, 2020. The multi-ton bladder requires many Airmen to coordinate, remove sharp objects from the pad and roll out due to the size and weight of the bladder. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Satran) ▼



Master Sgt. Jehu Forte, assigned to the 703rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, addresses Airmen and distinguished guests in an aircraft hangar on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, Jan. 8, 2020, as his son, Abram, and daughter, Thalia, hug him during a ceremony awarding Forte the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement for his actions during a deployment in support of U.S. and coalition forces in the Middle East. (U.S. Air Force photo by Justin Connahe) ▲

Air Force fire protection specialists with the 673rd Civil Engineer Squadron make their way toward a frozen lake during ice-rescue training at Six Mile Lake on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, Jan. 11, 2020. JBER firefighters conducted training in subzero temperatures to gain the knowledge and skills necessary for safe rescue and recovery operations in, on and around ice and cold water. (U.S. Air Force photo by Alejandro Peña) ►



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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."

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- SUNDAY SONLIGHT DINNER -

Every Sunday, volunteers from a spe-

cific 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

COMMUNITY BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE: All Banking Centers will be Closed on January 24, 25 & 27, 2020 (Fri/Sat/Mon) for Lunar New Year's Day

51 FW / JA ARTIST SEARCH: Do you want your name to be on our wall next to your creation? The 51FW Legal office is looking for a talented artist who would be interested in painting a mural in our office for all to see!

MUSTANG UNIVERSITY: Mustang University provides opportunities to connect with the community with over 60 classes and activities. Credits are awarded, culminating in a Coining by the 51st Command Chief.

TEAM OSAN SPOUSE'S CLUB SCHOLARSHIP: We are currently accepting scholarship applications for 2020-2021 academic year for high school seniors and continuing education for adults. Open to all active duty military, DoD civilians, U.S. Embassy invited contractors, military retiree personnel and their dependents. Applications must be postmarked by February 7, 2020. Visit teamosansc.com/scholarships.html for more information and to download application.

TAX SEASON: Tax season is quickly approaching and all are encouraged to start collecting their required documents today. Virtual currency is taxable and the IRS is tracking, so be sure to include all income on your tax return. Check the rules and regulations concerning your state, file a state income tax return if required. Osan AB will not offer Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) services

this year. Assistance will be available for active duty members through Military One Source www.militaryonesource.com. <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/military> contains information for military personnel and will post updates to assistance offered by the IRS.

FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: The 2020 election season is approaching. The Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) allows all US citizens to vote while their away from their voting jurisdiction. To register and request a ballot, fill out the Federal Post Card Application: fvap.gov/r3/fpca/state. You may also pick up a hard copy from the Installation Voting Assistance (IVA) Office, Bldg. 769 M-F 0800-1700. New Hampshire and South Carolina hold their primary election in Feb, register today to ensure receipt of the ballot. For more information fvap.gov or the Installation Voter Assistance Office at 784-5440.

OSAN YOUTH SPORTS OFFICIALS AND SCOREKEEPERS: Officials and scorekeepers are needed for all of Osan's Youth Sports and Intramural Sports games. Qualified personnel receive training and pay for working these games. If interested, please send a short text to Dave Moysey at 010-2188-5528.

PYEONGTAEK HIGH SCHOOL GUEST SPEAKERS NEEDED: Pyongtaek High School's English department is looking to invite a guest speaker from Osan Air Base to speak with 30 Korean students for approximately 45 minutes on Jan. XX. The volunteer may choose to discuss

any topic they wish. No Korean Language experience is necessary. For more information please contact Mr. Yong Hui Pak at yong.pak.3.kr@us.af.mil

OSAN BASE HONOR GUARD "TO HONOR WITH DIGNITY": Are you or someone you know highly motivated, dedicated to excellence, and want to be among the sharpest? If the answer is yes, the Osan Honor Guard Team welcomes you. For more information contact SSgt Akin Hyde at 784-1091 or via email: akin.hyde@us.af.mil, or SSgt Suchi Xiong at 784-4197 or via email: suchi.xiong@us.af.mil.

THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Team Osan Spouse's Club owns and operates the Osan AB Thrift Shop as a nonprofit organization. The income raised through operating the Thrift Shop is given back to the Osan community through community grants and scholarships. Volunteers are always needed to help sort, price and organize items received. Please contact the Thrift Store Manager at thriftshopmanager@teamosansc.com for more information.

TUTORING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: We have a tutoring opportunity for grade school to young adults, on base, for all subjects, especially the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). In order to be a volunteer, applicants would have to complete a coach/volunteer application and background check. Interested participants can get additional information at our "Osan AB Tutoring" Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/osantutors/> We meet every

Wednesday & Thursday from 1630-1830 at the Base USO.

51 FSS/FSDE MILTA BRIEFINGS: The Education Center offers the Military Tuition Assistance (MilTA) Briefing every Tuesday at 0800 and Thursday at 1500 in Bldg. 788, Rm 26. The briefings are held twice a week to aid in capturing shift workers. This briefing is required for first time users of Tuition Assistance and for members who received an AFVEC notification that follow up counseling is required. No sign up needed. If you have any questions concerning MilTA, please contact the Osan Education Center at 784-4220.

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VOLUNTEERS FOR TEAM OSAN INNOVATION EFFORT: Osan Innovation Team is seeking volunteers to become council members that are eager to take the Osan innovation cell to the next level. Email org box for list of open positions/descriptions.

OSAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FIELD DAY: Osan Elementary school is seeking 100+ volunteers to host stations during Field Day on May 22. The first planning meeting will occur on February 28th and all volunteers should reach out by Feb 7 to sign up.

Kunsan's emergency phone numbers

Emergency Services	911		
Off Base/Cell Emergency	063-470-0911	Nurse Advice Line	1-800-723-8255
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)	

Osan's emergency phone numbers

Emergency Services (Fire, Medical, Security Police)	911	Commander's Hotline	784-4811
Off Base/Cell Emergency	031-661-9111	Crime Stop: (to report a crime)	784-5757
Emergency Room:	784-2500	IG Complaints FWA Reporting:	784-1144
Base Locator: (after duty hours)	784-4597	Emergency Leave	784-7000
Force Protection Information Hotline:	115	Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)	784-7272
Chaplain (After duty hours)	784-7000	Security Forces Control Center	784-5515

18th Wing, joint partners execute first WestPac Rumrunner exercise

**By Staff Report
18th Wing Public Affairs**

KADENA AIR BASE, Japan -- More than 60 aircraft and 300 personnel from the U.S. Air Force, Navy, Army, and Marine Corps participated in 18th Wing's first WestPac Rumrunner exercise Jan. 10, 2020.

With the evolving security environment in the Indo-Pacific and to further support a safe and secure region, the 18th Wing spent months designing WestPac Rumrunner as an exercise to train counter air capabilities and strengthen joint interoperability. In addition to air tactics and joint interoperability, Airmen were charged with ensuring continuous airpower by using tactics derived from Pacific Air Force's agile combat employment concept of operations, or ACE.

"As we executed this first iteration of Rumrunner, the exercise development team monitored how well our distributed joint forces came together and applied elements of ACE to disperse, recover, and rapidly resume operations," said Capt. Brian Davis, 67th Fighter Squadron F-15C evaluator pilot and exercise director for WestPac Rumrunner. "The Rumrunner team looks forward to how we will continue to evolve and hone our procedures in the future."

As the largest combat wing in the U.S. Air Force, Kadena Air Base was able to deploy a wide array of aircraft to simulate a realistic training scenario along with support from joint forces. The adversary air force primarily consisted of the Navy's F/A-18E/F Super Hornets and Air Force's F-15C Eagles, but the home team brought overwhelming joint capabilities to deny the adversarial advance.

F-15Cs defended the airspace and the KC-135 Stratotanker provided aerial refueling, while the 353rd Special Operations Group's MC-130 Commando II dramatically extended the range and combat capabilities within the battlespace.

But, most unique to this exercise was the air-to-air and air-to-ground command and control provided by the Air Force's E-3 Sentry, Navy's E-2 Hawkeye, and 18th Wing's 623rd Air Control Squadron, all of whom worked seamlessly to ensure battlespace situational awareness while expertly handing-off key targeting information to the U.S. Army's 1-1 Air Defense Artillery's Patriot surface-to-air missile battery. Marine Air Control Squadron-4 helped track the operations and were able to test integration capabilities for their systems at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Japan.

"My unit and I were excited to be participating in a joint large force mission of this type. We had the unique opportunity to work with the Army ADA through the 623rd ACS to integrate as a cohesive air defense team," said Capt. Shawn Storey,



Two F-15C Eagles from the 44th Fighter Squadron refuel with a KC-135 Stratotanker from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron Jan. 10, 2020, during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner out of Kadena Air Base, Japan. Rumrunner represents an evolution in the capabilities of 18th Wing assets to work with joint partners to defend American allies and ensures a free and open Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matthew Seefeldt) ▲



A maintainer from the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron prepares to fuel an F-15 Eagle during Exercise Rumrunner at Marine Corps Air Station Futenma, Japan, Jan. 10, 2020. Airmen from the 18th Wing operate in a safe and environmentally conscious manner and adhere to strict standards set by Department of Defense and host governments at all times. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton) ▲



Airmen of the 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron arm a 44th Fighter Squadron F-15C Eagle during Exercise WestPac Rumrunner at Kadena Air Base, Japan, Jan. 10, 2020. The 18th Wing-led exercise validated new ways to deploy and maneuver assets in order to operate in contested environments. (U.S. Air Force photo by 2nd Lt. Ryan Simpson) ◀

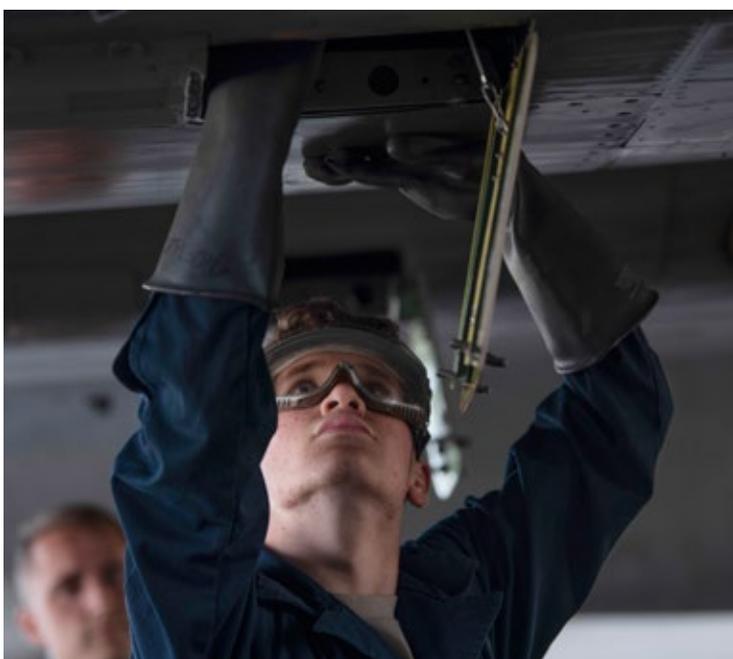
961st Airborne Air Control Squadron. “This exercise delivered a great opportunity to plan, execute and debrief in person to develop relationships and hone our joint integration, communications and execution skills face-to-face.”

As part of the ACE strategy, to extend and improve the availability of aircraft during a contingency, Air Force maintenance Airmen were positioned on the ground at MCAS Futenma to provide a quick refuel so the aircraft could swiftly be launched and returned to the fight.

“The ACE concepts being developed are not confined by current maintenance doctrine or tactics,” explained Lt. Col. Johnny West, 18th Maintenance Group deputy commander. “Our senior leaders are encouraging maintainers and logisticians to be more creative and assertive at lower levels to overcome generation and re-generation limitations that could occur in a highly-contested environment,” he said. “Today’s Rumrunner exercise allowed us to practice operating in a simulated austere environment, which is fundamental to the ACE concept, and our maintainers successfully refueled F-15s and launched them back into the air.”

Overall, Brig. Gen. Joel L. Carey, 18th Wing commander, described WestPac Rumrunner as a success and a valuable learning tool for the U.S. Pacific Air Forces and joint services.

“I couldn’t be more proud of our efforts today,” said Gen. Carey. “This event was a big win for us in the Pacific. Being able to test our ACE capabilities with our joint partners highlights the importance of interoperability and the capabilities of our Airmen and sister services. Working in conjunction with the Navy, Army and Marine Corps was crucial to the success of Rumrunner and its ability to be a powerful learning tool moving forward.”



An HH-60G Pave Hawk assigned to the 33rd Rescue Squadron performs helicopter air-to-air refueling with an MC-130J Commando II from the 17th Special Operations Squadron above the Pacific Ocean during Exercise Westpac Rumrunner Jan. 10, 2020. Westpac Rumrunner represents an evolution of 18th Wing assets and capability to work with joint partners in defense of American allies and to ensure a free and open Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton) ▲

U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Bradley Smith, 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, performs post-flight inspections during Exercise Westpac Rumrunner Jan. 10, 2020 at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Airmen are trained and empowered to make disciplined decisions at subordinate levels, ensuring the air component commander’s intent is met and the initiative is taken in a contested environment. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Rhett Isbell) ◀

Airman uses video games to bridge language gap

By Tech. Sgt. Hugo Delgado, AFN Courtesy

KADENA AIR BASE, Japan -- Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton, a photojournalist stationed at Kadena Air Base, sits at his desk at the 18th Wing Public Affairs office. Some mementos sit atop a shelf above him: a line of hand-held video games. Today, his job is to make sure a batch of photos are properly edited.

“Public Affairs is like a lake that’s five miles long and three inches deep,” says Raughton. “You learn a little bit about a lot of different things. I do everything from writing articles, producing photo and video content, public relations, and web design.”

A bell rings, indicating someone entered the building. Raughton, a Tennessee native, smiles as he greets the Japanese customers.

“I just walked over, asked them if I could help them and they told me in Japanese that they wanted an official photo and I was able to get them started on the work order,” Raughton said.

Prior to joining the U.S. Air Force, he was an English teacher in Japan’s Okayama and Tottori prefectures, where he was hired by a private English academy.

His ability to communicate in Japanese with the local population stems from the video games that

now rest in his office.

“There are games, but there’s also educational software so I thought, ‘You know what? I live here and I’ve tried my best to learn Japanese and I want to keep learning,’” he said. “There was a very popular thing called the Nintendo DS. I got some games that were educational and they taught me how to write the characters in Japanese hiragana and katakana. There was another one that teaches kanji, and there was another one that was like a quiz game, and I used it to practice what I had already learned.”

The lessons from the video games taught Raughton the basic fundamentals he would later use to enhance his mission in the Pacific region.

“When a Japanese visitor wants something or has a question, I can help out even if they don’t speak English, so I’m able to provide some services that can still bridge that language gap,” he said.

When Raughton started teaching English more than 10 years ago, he never imagined he’d use those skills strengthen U.S. partnerships in the Air Force. He no longer uses video games to learn Japanese, but enjoys spending time interacting with locals and doing street photography in Naha.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton, 18th Wing Public Affairs photographer, practices kanji training at Kadena Air Base, Japan, Jan. 8, 2020. Raughton’s ability to communicate in Japanese with the local population stems from the video games that now rest in his office. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Hugo Delgado)

Spiritual Charge

Sometimes Opportunity Clicks!



**By Chaplain, Captain Matt Henry
694 ISR Group**

Eight miles in to a sixteen mile training run across a dam near a West Texas neighborhood, the sound wouldn't stop. "Click, click, click, click..."

Was a zipper loose? Were my energy gels rattling? My shoelaces? Were the miles just getting to me?

I continued running. "Click, click, click, click..." The unusual sound

continued to garner my attention causing me to turn around. I looked over one shoulder. Nothing. I continued running. Then I looked over the other shoulder. Nothing.

I had heard dogs barking during my run but didn't see one near me. Experience told me when encountering barking dogs, if I ignore them and let them do their thing, they will eventually stop. They did. Except one. Little did I know, one small black and brown Chihuahua had followed behind my heels where I couldn't see her.

Finally, realizing the clicking was her tiny little toe nails on the sun-drenched pavement, I encouraged her to "go home." She stopped, sat down and grinned at me like the sucker I was about to become. I continued my journey back across the dam. Surely she would go home. Certainly she wouldn't follow me for eight miles.

I started to run. "Click, click, click, click".

"You've got to go home!" I implored her. Once, twice, three times it happened.

"Okay, I give up. I'm sure you'll turn around and go home at some point." Nope! She continued to follow me. Eight miles back across that dam with a grin from ear to ear. As we got back to the parking lot, it was starting to really warm up so I pulled out a container to share some of my water with her. As I plopped her onto the passenger seat of my Jeep and drove back to the neighborhood, I blurted out, "Alright dog. We've got to get you back to your home!"

After knocking on doors and talking to a handful of residents, I learned that everyone had seen her hanging out with other dogs but no one knew who she belonged to. If they didn't know whose dog she was, who would? Perhaps she had an embedded microchip with her owner's information?

Covered in fleas, this little Chihuahua eagerly jumped again into my Jeep for a ride back to my house. How was I going to explain her to my family? We already had a dog. We didn't need another one. She wasn't mine.

There she sat, happy as can be as we drove home. To this day I think she was just thinking, "Gotcha suckah!" We eventually arrived at my house, I introduced her to the family, bathed her and took her to the vet. As you can probably guess, she didn't have an embedded chip and she soon became part of our family. Five years have since passed and "Ruthie" has lived with us in Texas, England and South Korea! In fact, she cuddled up next to me as I wrote this column.

So what's this got to do with you?

Ruthie is a lot like what many of us wish we could be--hopeful, persistent and giving. She was hopeful for a better outcome than her previous situation. She was persistent in making her plans happen. She was giving in her affection and loyal to her newfound family. What if more of us were like Ruthie? Can we dare to hope for a better tomorrow? Can we be persistent to see it through? Can we graciously give to those along our journey? Imagine that world. It's your turn. Get clicking!

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, 1:00 p.m.
SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510

Point of Contact:
Kunsan Chapel, 782-HOPE

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OSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services

-Community Service @ 1030
-Gospel Service @ 1230
Regular Occuring Ministries:
PYOC: (Middle School & High School Students)
- Mondays—1830-2000 @ Chapel Spiritual Fitness Center.

PCOC: (AWANA)

- Wednesdays @ Chapel. Age 3 to 6th grade meet 1800 -1930 & grades 7th-12th meet 1700-1800 .

PMOC: (Men)

- Tuesdays - 1830 @ Chapel Annex.

PSOC: (Singles & Unaccompanied)

"Osan Hospitality House"

- Bible Studies:

*Saturdays - 1900 @ Hospitality House.

Dinner is provided.

Sundays - 1700 @ Community Center, Classroom #3.

- Game Night:

*Fridays - 1900 @ Hospitality House. Dinner is provided.

*Van pickup: Fridays: Chapel @ 1730, Mustang CTR @ 1735.

Saturdays: Chapel @ 1830, Mustang CTR @ 1835.

PWOC: (Women) "PWOC Osan AB"

- Mondays 1800-2000, Tuesdays 0845-1100 @ Chapel Annex (Child Watchcare provided) & Sunday 1600-1730 @ Posco Apartments .

MOPS: Join us for OSAN MOPS!

- Meet twice a month on Wednesday @ the Chapel Annex

Contact: osanmops@gmail.com

Apostolic Pentecostal

Apostolic Connection Church
Bible Study: Osan Chapel Sanctuary,
Mondays 7PM-8PM

Catholic Mass

Weekend Masses
Saturday Mass (Sunday obligation), 5 p.m.
Saturday, Also Confessions, 4 p.m.
Sunday Mass, 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday -Thursday Mass, 11:30 a.m.
Friday Mass, 5 p.m.

Catholic Ministries

Catholic Religious Education
Sunday, 10-11 a.m., Chapel annex
Korean Prayer group
Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., Blessed Sacra Chapel
Faith formation class/bible study
Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., Chapel annex
Catholic Men of the Chapel (CMOC)
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Chapel annex
Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC)
Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Chapel annex hall
Catholic Family social meal (Free)
Friday, 6-7:30 p.m., Chapel annex hall
Catholic Family social meal (Free)
Saturday, 6-7:30 p.m., Chapel annex hall

Knights of Columbus & Baptism classes
Meet monthly, Pls 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

Point of Contact:
Osan Chapel, 784-5000

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<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABChapel>

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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



Point of Contact:

USAG Yongsan Religious Support Office, 738-3011

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A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon assigned to the 80th Fighter Squadron takes off for a routine training flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan 16, 2020. The 80th FS "Juvats" perform air and space control roles including counter air, strategic attack, interdiction and close-air support missions. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jerreht Harris)



Wolf Pack sustains readiness, enhances capabilities



A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft assigned to the 80th Fighter Squadron "Juvats" taxis down the flightline at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan 16, 2020. The 8th Fighter Wing is home to two fighter squadrons, the 35th FS "Pantons" and 80th FS. They perform air and space control roles including counter air, strategic attack, interdiction and close-air support missions. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jerreht Harris) ◀

A U.S. Air Force pilot assigned to the 80th Fighter Squadron "Juvats," flashes the "crush 'em" signal while taxiing in an F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft prior to take off during routine training at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Jan. 16, 2020. The 80th FS was activated during World War II in 1942, as the 80th Pursuit Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Anthony Hetlage) ▶



“Everything we do here is vitally important!”

By Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, hosts his first commander’s call of the new year, January 13, 2020, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, to amplify the wing’s mission and vision for 2020. “Everything we do here is vitally important,” he said while addressing Team Osan. Gonzales thanked his Airmen for their service and commitment to the mission by reminding them of high “standard that we set and the level of excellence we maintain,” while serving in the Republic of Korea.

U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, addresses Airmen during the first all call of the year, January 13, 2020, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. Gonzales embraced the challenge of Team Osan’s unique mission set by emphasizing how the Airmen sustain and execute the mission for the national defense of the U.S. and allies in the region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan) ►



U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, announces the second iteration of the Mustang Resiliency Campaign during a commander’s call, January 13, 2020, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea. Feedback from the initial launch of the campaign in August 2019 focused on the desire for servant leadership. “We’re all leaders,” Gonzales said following up with a call to all leaders to step out from behind their desks and talk with their Airmen. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan) ▲

Space Heater Safety

According to United States Fire Administration, an estimated 900 portable heater fires in residential buildings are reported to U.S. fire departments each year and cause an estimated 70 deaths, 150 injuries, and \$53 million in property loss.

Only 2 percent of heating fires in residential buildings involved portable heaters; however, portable heaters were involved in 45 percent of all fatal heating fires in residential buildings. Portable heater fires in residential buildings peaked in January (26 percent).

Safety must be a top consideration when using space heaters.

Safety Precautions

1. Space heaters must be tested by the Underwriter’s Laboratories (UL) or other qualified agencies. This will be identified by a clearly visible label somewhere on the unit.
2. Use of portable kerosene space heaters is prohibited in all OSAN Air Base facilities.
3. Space heaters must be equipped to shut off electric power to the unit when tilted or turned over.
4. Space heaters will be kept at least 18 inches away from combustible materials such as papers, furniture, or curtains.
5. The space heater must be plugged directly into an outlet. Do not use a light-duty extension cord or a multi outlet strip/surge protector; it can start a fire with a high-wattage appliance.

Should you any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Fire Prevention Office at 784-4835/4710.



Seollal, Lunar New Year's Day, is one of Korea's main holidays. The holiday takes place on the first day of the new year according to the lunar calendar and serves as a time for people to greet each other with words of blessing for the year ahead. During the holiday period, Koreans also participate in ancestral memorial services, bow to their elders, and play traditional games. To learn more about these customs, follow along with Kayla and Sebastian on their special visit to the Korea Etiquette Institute!



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Korean cooking: tteokguk & jeon

As the saying goes, “a loaf of bread is better than the song of many birds.” The first part of Kayla and Sebastian’s trip was preparing a tasty lunch of tteokguk (rice cake soup). Tteokguk is one of Korea’s original dishes, and is traditionally eaten for the New Year. The dish is made by boiling thinly sliced white rice cakes in a clear soybean soup. Before eating, each bowl is garnished with meat, green onion, and egg; mandu (dumplings) can also be added for a more filling meal.

On their trip, the teacher gave a simple tip to make the tteokguk taste even better! Before putting the rice cakes in the soup to boil, wash them with cold water and let them soak for about 30 minutes. This will make the rice cakes softer, the boiling time shorter, and give the soup a clear taste. Following the instructor’s guidance, Sebastian carefully prepared the rice cakes in the boiling soup while Kayla was praised for her artful use of the garnish.

Kayla and Sebastian also prepared two types of jeon (savory pancakes) to go with the tteokguk. Jeon is made by lightly coating vegetables, meat, or slices of fish in flour and an egg wash before



frying in a small amount of oil. Jeon can be eaten at any time, but it is customary to have them at Seollal and Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving Day). The name of each jeon is based on the main ingredient, such as gul jeon (batter-fried oyster), beoseot jeon (batter-fried mushroom), or hobak jeon (batter-fried zucchini). For this experience, they prepared dongtae jeon (batter-fried pollack fillets) and yugwonjeon (batter-fried meatballs). Kayla continued to show her artistic skills in garnishing, while Sebastian had the task of making sure the jeon were all fully cooked.

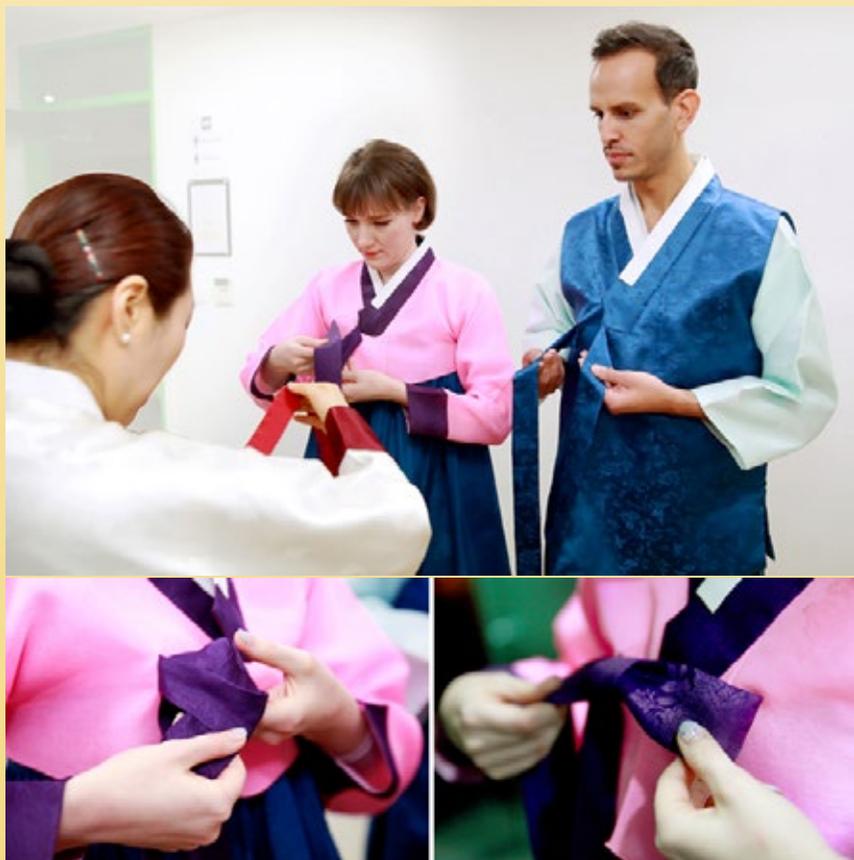
Dongtae jeon is made by warming thinly sliced dried pollack before marinating them in a mix of salt, pepper, and clear rice wine. After dabbing off any remaining moisture, the marinated slices are lightly coated with flour, dipped in an egg wash, and pan-fried over mid-low heat. Yugwonjeon on the other hand requires a bit more preparation. The meatball is made from mixing ground beef, tofu, garlic, and other seasoning ingredients together; the key to good yugwonjeon is making sure there is very little blood or water remaining in the meat and tofu, respectively. After mixing the ingredients fully together, it is rolled into small balls, lightly flattened in the palm of one’s hand, and then follows the same steps as dongtae jeon: flour, egg wash, fry! In order to fully cook the inside of the meatballs, keep the heat low.

Wearing hanbok

After lunch, Kayla and Sebastian were excited to try on hanbok. Korea's traditional clothing, the design of hanbok has largely remained unchanged since the Joseon dynasty. While modern styles and imitations of hanbok have seen a rise in popularity recently, traditional hanbok is worn on cultural holidays and during memorial services. Kayla proudly admitted to being a hanbok maniac, carefully selecting her hanbok based on what colors and styles suited her best. This was the first time Sebastian had tried on hanbok since a trip to Jeonju years ago; he was most concerned with simply not wearing pink.



The most difficult step to wearing hanbok is correctly tying the goreum (ribbon). The ribbon keeps the jacket closed and in place, so it is quite important! While you could just make any type of ribbon or even a simple knot, doing it the proper way creates a beautifully finished image. To make the proper ribbon, cross the right-hand goreum over the top of the left before pulling it back up through the two to tie them together. At this point, place your left hand over the tie and wrap the top goreum once around your hand, down the back and up the palm. With your right hand, create a ribbon shape with the hanging goreum and pass it through the goreum looped over your left hand. After this, simply tighten and adjust to make it picture perfect. If you have tied the goreum correctly, there should only be about a 5-centimeter difference in the two goreum ends.



New Year's bow

After dressing in hanbok, it was time to learn the New Year's bow. Both Kayla and Sebastian have lived in Korea for nearly ten years, so they are quite familiar with Korean greetings. Despite this, a simple standing bow is nowhere near as difficult to master as the full bow while dressed in hanbok! Kayla had difficulty not stepping on her skirt upon standing up again, while Sebastian tended to untie his goreum ribbon in the process.

Families gather together on the day of Seollal, and all members will give a New Year's bow to the elders of the family. The bow is different for men and women, but both must pay important attention to their gongsu (hand position). For men, the hands are held lightly in front of the body with the left hand over their right; for women, the right hand is over the left. After a bit of review, the two were ready to bow!



For the female version of the New Year's bow, the hands, still held in the gongsu position, are lifted up to one's forehead, while turning one's head down to look at their feet. The hands will be held at this position throughout the bow until returning to the first standing position. At this point, the woman lowers her body slowly and kneels, starting with the left knee and then the right. From here, she sits down fully and then bends forward at the waist to about a 45 degree angle for three seconds. From here, simply reverse the process, sitting up straight, kneeling, standing on the right foot and then the left, before returning both hands to the gongsu position.

For the male version of the New Year's bow, the hands held in the gongsu position are lifted up and out in a round motion to shoulder-height before being dropped down to the floor. Men also start kneeling with the left knee and then the right before sitting down. While women only have to bend slightly, men must bow further, lowering their backs to create a flat line. Their elbows should be placed on the floor and their forehead should hover slightly over their hands on the ground. If done properly, there will be a straight, flat line from the top of the head to the buttocks. After holding this position for three seconds, lift the elbows from the ground and sit straight up, place the right foot on the ground and use the hands in the gongsu position to push off from the right knee. After standing, lift one's hands to their eyes before returning to the original gongsu position.