



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Michael Blumer, center, pulls a vibrating screed during rapid airfield damage repair (RADR) training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 19, 2019. RADR is a quick process used to repair damages on an airfield where civil engineers evaluate damages, prepare areas for repair and pour concrete to get the airfield back to mission ready. Blumer is a heating, ventilation and air conditioning apprentice assigned to the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan)



# Osan engineers, 554th Red Horse Squadron team up for training

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

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- The 51st Civil Engineer Squadron successfully accomplished rapid airfield damage repair (RADR) training with assistance from the 554th Red Horse Squadron assigned to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, April 19, 2019, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

The RADR training provided a realistic scenario with the help of the explosive

ordnance disposal flight detonating explosives to create craters on a non-active section of the runway.

After the explosion, civil engineers evaluated damages, prepared areas for repair and took action to get the airfield back to mission ready.

"We were able to get our Airmen trained with the assistance from the experts at 554th Red Horse Squadron teaching them rapid airfield damage repair," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Timothy Fryar, 51st CES commander. "Training

went through the week and we learned to use a variety of heavy equipment and the repair process. It all came to end with a full on execution of repairing a damaged airfield."

The 51st CES cut, excavated and repaired 12 craters in less than 7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours.

"Without this training, the time to repair damaged airfields would drastically increase which would prohibit sortie generation for large portions of time," said U.S. Air Force Maj. Nick Saccone, 51st CES deputy commander.

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New program brings local children to Osan



176th CES reinforces 8th CES; strengthens Kunsan's foundation

Osan Airmen compete in bodybuilding showcase

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# PACAF senior leaders discuss readiness, posture at spring conference



Commanders, Command Chiefs and Directors from across the Pacific Air Forces area of responsibility pose for a photo in the Courtyard of Heroes during the spring commander's conference at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, 18 April 2019. The commander's conference gave attendees the chance to discuss challenges and opportunities to succeed in an era of great power competition. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Staff Sgt. Hailey Haux)

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HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii --Commanders, command chiefs and directors from across the Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) area of responsibility attended the spring commander's conference April 16-19, here.

Themed "Posturing PACAF for Success in an Era of Great Power Competition," the conference was designed to bring together senior leaders to discuss the many opportunities and challenges throughout the AOR, as well as strengthen lines of communication in a rapidly changing environment.

"The whole idea is to raise our game...to raise our thinking on a number of issues," said Gen. CQ Brown, Jr., PACAF commander, who challenged the group to think about how to use innovation and embrace change in order to posture for the future in challenging times. "This is not a fantasy, we must be ready today, and ready ten years from now. We may not be here to execute it all, but we have got to put it on the right path."

Since the fall conference, the command began to forge that path by renewing its mission, vision and priorities, with the focus on being "ready, resilient and postured for the future."

Day one also addressed updates to the command's Agile Combat Employment operating concept, and included a historical "terrain walk" to reflect on the many lessons that may have direct application today. Day two focused on innovation and experimentation, multi-domain command and control, theater logistics and conditions based authorities. Day three focused on the role of the team, from manpower to integration with allies, partners and the joint force.

Day four wrapped up the week-long conference with a discussion on congressional relationships, ethics and an even broader focus on Airmen and Family resiliency.

The resiliency discussion provided an opportunity for commanders to share challenges, identify common issues, and discuss innovative solutions.

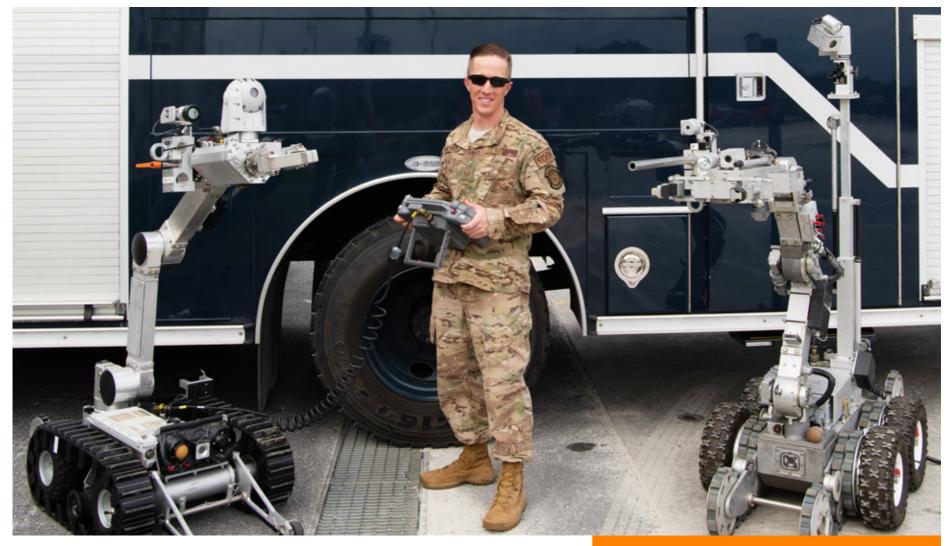
The command is looking into a number of initiatives to improve access to care, from embedding professionals in units to simply raising awareness on telehealth opportunities, or ensuring greater leadership focus on the resiliency.

The goals are to empower leaders and Airmen to increase morale, cohesion, and readiness by recognizing when Airmen need help, decrease barriers to helpseeking, and create a culture in which Airmen and their families thrive.

"We've got to set the model for our Airmen and families," Brown said in regards to ensuring leaders focus as much on taking care of their Airmen as themselves and their families.

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# PACAF EOD tech to compete for top Air Force level award



By Staff Sgt. Benjamin Raughton and Airman 1st Class M. Foster, 18th Wing Public Affairs

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**KADENA AIR BASE, Japan** -- Tech. Sgt. Bryan Woiewucki, 18th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal flight non-comissioned officer in-charge of training, begins his morning the same way as many Airmen: P.T., breakfast and a morning meeting. However, Tuesday, April 2, would turn out to be different.

"I was on standby, so my phone was in my window because of bad reception and I see a number that says no caller ID on it and it was a DSN number," Woiewucki said. "I thought, well, it's a standby call, no big deal. I answered and it was my commander."

Woiewucki was told that he was selected as Pacific Air Force's NCO of the Year and he would go on to compete as one of the Air Force's 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year.

"Wow, I did not see this coming," Woiewucki said. "You don't really know what to say to that because you never expect to actually go that far. You think about when you are put up for an award, that you might just make it through the gauntlet of the squadron, group or wing."

Woiewucki said he let out a deep breath to exhale and take in the moment, then he contacted his wife to inform her of the good news. He also contacted his flight chief and thanked him for the opportunities that enabled him to be competitive in the field and win the PACAF award.

Throughout 2018, Woiewucki experienced

a deployment to Africa, volunteered as a Team 5/6 committee lead and professional development coordinator, fielded new technology that would help CE personnel survey airfield damage, all while performing his regular job of training the next generation of EOD troops in nearly 200 core tasks, alongside many others.

"He's very tenacious," said Senior Master Sgt. Loren Green, 18th CES EOD flight chief. "Once he gets an idea in his head of how he's going to get something done, he gets it done."

Woiewucki is Green's third troop to win at the major command and later compete at the Air Force level.

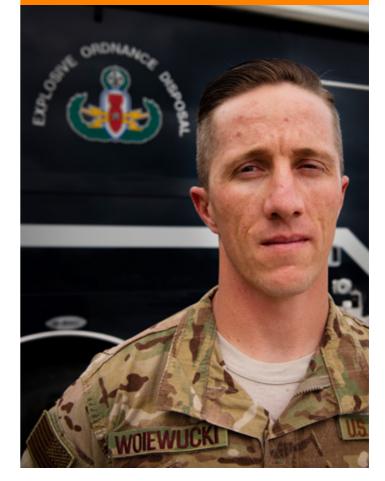
"Each EOD tech does a lot of the same stuff," he said. "For me, it was [Woiewucki's] deploying to Africa and excelling there and then coming back to home station, not missing a beat, and excelling at both places. It's part of his tenacity."

Woiewucki credits the senior NCOs who mentored and opened the doors of opportunity for him throughout his career, as well as his squadron overall.

"It's been a great year for the organization as a whole," he said. "The squadron won Outstanding Large Civil Engineer Unit, our flight was the Most Outstanding EOD Flight in PACAF, and we had an Airman win Master Blaster of PACAF."

The Air Force will announce the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year this summer.

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Bryan Woiewucki, Explosive Ordnance Disposal flight NCO in-charge of training form the 18th Civil Engineer Squadron, poses for a photo on Kadena Air Base, Japan, April 11, 2019. Woiewucki was selected as Pacific Air Force's NCO of the year and will compete at the Air FOrce level. Winners are expected to be announced later this summer. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Mandy Foster)



# Wolf Pack Winners: 8th FW honors MAJCOM, NAF award winners

By Staff Sgt. Joshua Edwards 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea --Congratulations to all the 8th Fighter Wing members who received 7th Air Force and Pacific Air Forces-level awards this year.

"To say that I am proud of the Wolf Pack Airmen who have performed at such a high level and received these awards is an understatement," said Col. John Bosone, 8th Fighter Wing Commander. "Their work ethic, extreme competence, and leadership have proven that they are not only at the tip of the spear at Kunsan, but also in the Pacific."

The winners at various levels are:

### 8 FW Wing Staff Agencies

8 FW Chapel:

Outstanding Medium Chapel of the Year – PACAF level

8 FW Command Post:

Outstanding Command Post Annual Award – PACAF level

8 FW Comptroller Squadron:

Song Choe, Financial Management Civilian of the Year – PACAF level

Master Sgt. Brandy Cotton, Financial

Management Senior Noncommissioned Officer in Charge – PACAF level

8 FW Public Affairs: Mi Chang, Communication Civilian Category I –

PACAF level Tech. Sgt. Charles McNamara, Graphic Design –

PACAF level Capt. Remoshay Nelson, Captain Bradley R.

Schuldt Outstanding Communication Company Grade Officer – PACAF level

The Captain Bradley R. Schuldt Outstanding Communication Company Grade Officer recognizes individuals who demonstrate outstanding leadership and management in

planning and executing communication efforts. 8 FW Staff Judge Advocate:

Legal Office of the Year – 7th AF level

Senior Airman Tyson Spears, Outstanding Paralegal Airman of the Year – PACAF level

### 8 FW Maintenance Group

8 FW Aircraft Maintenance Squadron: Master Sgt. Brandon Rose, General Lew Allen, Jr. Trophy – PACAF level

The Geneal Lew Allen, Jr. Trophy recognizes an individual's attention to detail and technical expertise and credits the accomplishments of



base-level officers and senior NCOs in their performance of aircraft, munitions or missile maintenance.

8 FW Maintenance Squadron:

Tech. Sgt. Joshua Good, NCO Maintenance Professional of the Year – PACAF level

Senior Airman Ashley Walker, Maintenance Management Analyst of the Year – PACAF level

### 8 FW Medical Group

8 FW Medical Support Squadron: 8th Medical Readiness Flight, Medical

Readiness Team of the Year – PACAF level 8 FW Mission Support Group

8 FW Civil Engineer Squadron:

8th Civil Engineer Fire Department, Chief Master Sergeant Ralph E. Sanborn Fire Department of the Year Award, Small Department – PACAF level

Maj. Christopher Cagle, Tuskegee Airmen Award Field Grade Officer level – 7th AF level

The Tuskegee Airmen Awards are presented to outstanding military members who demonstrated exceptional leadership, achievement and outstanding performance in both professional and community service.

Maj. Justin Delorit, Arthur Flemming Award for Basic Science – PACAF level

Tech. Sgt. John Jimenez, Tuskegee Airmen Award NCO level – 7th AF level

Capt. Joy Johnson, Major General Eugene A. Lupia Award (CGO) – PACAF level

The Major General Eugene A. Lupia Award recognizes Airmen for significant achievements, impacts and/or contributions to the engineering career field.

8 FW Communications Squadron: 8th Communications Squadron, Major General Harold M. McClelland Award – 7th AF level

The Major General Harold M. McCelland

award recognizes Air Force information dominance, cyberspace groups or squadrons with 126 or more funded manpower authorizations that perform and provide a full range of functions and services to Air Force and/or DoD operations and missions.

Senior Airmen Allysa Figueroa, Outstanding Cyber Operations Airman – 7th AF level Senior Master Sgt. Jason LaGueux, Outstanding Cyber Support Senior NCO – 7th AF level

Tech. Sgt. Jimmy Turner, Outstanding Cyber Operations NCO – 7th AF level

Ki Sung Yun, Korean National Technician of the Year – U.S. Forces Korea level

8 FW Force Support Squadron:

8th Force Support Squadron, Major General Eugene L. Eubank Award – PACAF level

The Major General Eugene L. Eubank Award recognizes the best Force Support Squadron of the Year.

Hyon Ho Mun, Installation Level Civilian Technician Supervisor – PACAF level

8 FW Logistics Readiness Squadron:

Tech. Sgt. David Goater, Logistics Readiness Squadron NCO of the Year – PACAF level

Capt. Nichole Nicholson, General Wilma Vaught Visionary Award – PACAF level

Maj. Charles Weniger, The General Thomas P. Gerrity Award – PACAF level

The General Thomas P. Gerrity Award recognizes individuals for outstanding contributions to logistics operations, management, business processes and the success

of logistics operations worldwide. 8 FW Security Force Squadron:

Master Sgt. Emily Mandrich, First Sergeant of the Year – 7th AF level

### **8 FW Operations Group**

8 FW Operations Support Squadron:

8th Airfield Operations Flight, Air Field

Operations Flight of the Year – PACAF level Master Sgt. Terry Beeman, Radar, Airfield, and

Weather Systems NCO of the Year – PACAF level Master Sgt. Jeremy Caldwell, Air Traffic

Control Enlisted Manager of the Year – PACAF level

Master Sgt. Moises Guzman-Roman, Radar, Airfield, and Weather Systems Senior NCO of the Year – PACAF level

Senior Master Sgt. Kristin Schott, Airfield Management Senior NCO of the Year – PACAF level

Master Sgt. Michael Summers, Weather Senior NCO of the Year – PACAF level



**51st FSS recognized as best in PACAF** 

By Staff Sgt. Kelsey Tucker 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- The 51st Force Support Squadron was named the 2018 Pacific Air Forces FSS of the year recently for their impact on quality of life for all service members, DoD civilians and their families at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

The squadron's Airman and Family Readiness Flight and Turumi Lodge were also recognized for the Force Support Capabilities A&FRF and Inkeeper Awards, respectively.

"In FSS we interact with every customer," said Lt. Col. Alan Condor, 51st FSS commander. "Whether it's Airmen for assignments, or families for in-processing or ID cards, we're a very customer-focused organization and that shows."

Though the awards are highly

sought after, the real achievement was the progress made along the way; from becoming the test base for the Accelerated Orders Test initiative, to renovating 90 rooms at Turumi Lodge while still beating the Air Force occupancy rate by 19 percent, the overall customer satisfaction rate was at 92 percent.

"There's always room for improvement," said Carolyn Smith, the flight chief of the 51st FSS Airman & Family Readiness Center. "We have a diverse customer base, so we can't just stop because we won an award. We have to strive to keep getting better."

Winners at the major command level will go on to compete at the Air Force level award, to prove which FSS was the best for 2018. The 51st Force Support Squadron was presented the 2018 Pacific Air Forces FSS of the year award at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 5, 2019. The squadron received the award for their impact on quality of life for all service members, DoD civilians and their families at Osan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa) ▲

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# OMMENTARY

### By Maj. Justin Delorit 8th Civil Engineer Squadron

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- A few years ago, I took a trip to Maine and camped at Acadia National and Baxter State Parks with my wife. From the tops of Cadillac and Katahdin I recall being exhausted, but also overcome by the vast and rugged beauty of Maine's coast and deep interior forestlands. As an American I am proud that we have chosen to set aside and maintain tracts of land to enjoy based on their existence value, even if other uses would be more lucrative. This is an important concept that recognizes the fact that development objectives are often in conflict with environmental goals. In other words, a forest pays landowners less than a coffee shop or a steel mill, and without protection, the forest often loses in a free market.

As such, the environment needs advocates and Earth Day. It also needs real protections, because the Lorax is not real.

While there are now measures (read: legislation) in place to ensure proposed developments minimize negative environmental impacts, they have only been in place for fifty years, and environmental quality demands that people remain committed to advocacy through events like Earth Day and personal environmental stewardship.

But protecting the environment seems like a no-brainer, so why worry?

On a peaceful Sunday in June of 1969, the Cuyahoga River caught fire in the industrial district of Cleveland, Ohio. While normally fire and water are seen as opposing forces in nature, years of illicit wastewater discharge, emanating from the steel and paper mills that powered Cleveland's economy, had been the fuel necessary to defy nature.

However, this was not the first time the river had been set ablazein fact it was the thirteenth fire on the Cuyahoga in one hundred years. The pollution-fed fires were accepted as obligatory coproducts of industrialization-recall what I wrote earlier about the environment and development often being in conflict. But the country changed in the 1960s, socially and politically. Born of Rachel Carson's 1962 release of Silent Spring, the young but powerful flames of environmental activism had been fanned. People demanded sweeping environmental legislation.

Fast-forward almost a year, sometime in the afternoon of April 22, 1970. President and Mrs. Nixon planted a pine tree sapling in the South Lawn

of the White House in celebration of the first Earth Day, which was in part established to highlight the need for environmental protection. Though the tree planting was as symbolic as Earth Day, President Nixon went on to sign the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which set the United States, and ultimately the world, on a new course. At nine pages, NEPA is among the shortest pieces of federal legislation. However, it is so foundational to establishing processes by which physical development must account for and mitigate negative environmental impacts, that it has been used as a framework by over one hundred other countries.

So, if NEPA and other legislation are ultimately the firepower the environment needed, and environmental quality has improved since 1970 (it has, and thankfully the Cuyahoga has been fire-free), what is the value of Earth Day in modern times and what is the Wolf Pack at Kunsan Air Base doing to protect the environment?

Earth Day is an opportunity to reflect on the beauty that surrounds us, consider how we interact with the environment, and think about what we can or should do contribute to preserving and restoring it. A wonderful aspect of the environment is that we can make individual contributions without significant investments of time or money. In fact, the Wolf Pack makes money from your commitment to environmental stewardship.

Consider the next time you visit the food court, taking a few extra seconds to segregate recyclable items from trash, or picking up and properly disposing of a misplaced can or bottle. While the physical improvement of the base is certainly incentive enough, through the 8th Fighter Wing's Qualified Recycling Program, we receive reimbursements for recycled items. The revenue generated helps sustain our refuse collection programs and funds both environmental and morale, welfare and readiness (MWR) purchases. This year, the 8th Force Support Squadron will be purchasing a food truck paid for entirely from the Wolf Pack's commitment to recycling. These funds have accrued over the last decade and I am thankful to the Airmen who paid it forward.

This recycling program is the tip of the iceberg in terms of the Air Force's and Kunsan's commitment to environmental stewardship. Each unit has at least one Unit Environmental Coordinator, who acts on behalf of the commander to ensure his or her processes and work centers are in compliance with Air Force regulations that are derived from NEPA. These coordinators work directly with **Environmental Management** section within the Civil Engineer Squadron, which is the wing's focal point of environmental compliance

and management. For the Unit Environmental Coordinators and Environmental Managers, you could say that every day is Earth Day.

May 3, 2019

I urge you to take a moment think about the ways your life interacts with the environment. Being mindful of your influences will increase your ability to recognize how you can contribute to improving environmental quality, and likely without making drastic changes in your life. Even symbolic acts, like the planting of a tree at the White House, or picking up one piece of trash on Kunsan Air Base, is meeting the intent of Earth Day and helping the Air Force meet its environmental obligations. And every day you do the right thing for the planet, you are celebrating Earth Day and being a great Airman.

Those two objectives are never in conflict.

Editor's note: Major Justin Delorit is the deputy commander of the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, and manages a 324-member team of military, American and Korean civilian engineers in executing a \$910 million design and construction program and U.S. Pacific Air Forces' largest airfield construction program, at \$160 million.

He was recently awarded the 2019 NSPE Federal Engineer of the Year award, distinguishing him as the top engineer in the entire U.S. federal government.





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Members of the 554th RHS are considered experts in rapid engineering and uphold the motto, "semper ducimus," which means, "always leading."

"Providing such a realistic situation with these engineers gives them an insight to what can occur and how to handle it wherever they're stationed," said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Michael Gardner, 554th RHS water fuels management system contingency training instructor. "We trained them, but more importantly we evaluated them on how they operated to fulfill the demand to get the airfield up and running again."

Civil engineers at Osan were grateful for the support provided by U.S. Pacific Air Forces' only Red Horse Squadron. Through working together, the Airmen aim to ensure they're ready for any challenge should an accident or natural disaster occur.





U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Michael Gardner, left, reviews evaluation notes with a teammate during rapid airfield damage repair (RADR) training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 19, 2019. Engineers from the 554th Red Horse Squadron trained and evaluated the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron, which ended with the full-on execution of repairing a damaged airfield. Gardner is a water fuels management system contingency training instructor assigned to the 554th RHS at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan) ▲

U.S. Airmen assigned to the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron fill a repair site with concrete mix during rapid airfield damage repair (RADR) training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 19, 2019. Members assigned to the 554th Red Horse Squadron out of Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, trained and evaluated the 51st CES in a week-long training exercise, which ended with the full-on execution of repairing a damaged airfield. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Ramon A. Adelan) ◄

# Photo NEWS

May 3, 2019



n HC-130 Hercules aircraft from Patrick Air Force Base, Fla., deploys its refueling drogues over the Ohio River during the Thunder Over Louisville airshow in Louisville, Ky., April 13, 2019. The Kentucky Air National Guard once again served as the base of operations for military aircraft participating in the annual event, which has grown to become one of the largest singleday air shows in North America. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Dale Greer) ▲





irmen from the 388th and 419th Fighter Wings file onto a 747 at Hill Air Force Base, Utah, bound for the Middle East to support the F-35A Lightning II's first deployment there. The Airmen arrived at Al Dhafra Air Base in the United Arab Emirates this week to support the Air Force Central Command mission. (U.S. Air Force photo by R. Nial Bradshaw) ▲

taff Sgt. Marcos Silverio and Master Sgt. Sean Deam, Charlie flight chief, compete in the Malvesti portion of the Best Ranger Competition, April 12, 2019, at Fort Benning, Ga. Both Airmen are tactical air control party personnel from the 10th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Riley, Kan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sarayuth Pinthong) ◀

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# New program brings local children to Osan

By Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- The 51st Mission Support Group partnered with the Osan 5/6 Organization to develop the Songshin Little Explorers Program to help support a strong relationship with the local community surrounding Osan.

The program brings students from Songshin Elementary School to the base and gives them the chance to visit different squadrons and learn about their mission.

"The ROK-US alliance is extremely strong and we are always looking for ways to partner with our host nation," said Col. Kevin Mantovani, commander of the 51st MSG. "Programs like this allow us to show young ROK civilians what we do on the base and inspire a future generation of local children at the same time."

Third grade students from the school visited the 51st Civil Engineer Squadron's fire department, where they learned about different firefighting equipment and vehicles.

Their next stop was the 51st Logistics Readiness Squadron's individual protective equipment flight, where they learned about protective gear and its purpose.

"A lot of the students have never been



Airman 1st Class Anika Wampner, an individual protective equipment journeyman assigned to the 51st Logistics Readiness Squadron shows off the protective gear she is wearing to Songshin Elementary School students at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 11, 2019. The visit was part of the Songshin Little Explorers Program that gives students the opportunity to visit different Osan squadrons and learn about their mission. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa)

# **Students from Songshin**

on base or interacted with military members stationed here," said Tech. Sgt. Belinda Wimberly, president of Osan 5/6. "By them coming, they got to see the positivity associated with what we do every day and saw things they aren't familiar with, which is part of the school's curriculum, 'learn about local town'."

Airmen also stayed true to the curriculum and learned about their local town. Team Osan members who participated and helped organize the visit experienced local culture by interacting with the students, learning greeting customs and some of their education system.

"This has been an awesome opportunity for everyone involved and the feedback from the kids and teachers has been great," Wimberly said. "We are appreciative of the people who have stepped up and helped make this a successful event."

The Songshin Little Explorers Program hopes to expand and become available to more students to continue strengthening friendships with their Korean neighbors.

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**Elementary School surround** a 51st Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter during a visit to Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 11, 2019. Third grade students from the school visited the fire department and learned about different firefighting equipment and vehicles. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa) ◀

Airman 1st Class Anika Wampner, an individual protective equipment journeyman assigned to the **51st Logistics Readiness** Squadron demonstrates how to properly don protective gear to Songshin Elementary School students at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 11, 2019. The visit was part of the Songshin Little **Explorers Program where** the students learn about different Osan missions and military culture. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa) 🔻



**OLIDAY OBSERVANCES FOR KN:** Korean National (KN) civilian employees will observe the LABOR DAY on 1 May 19, the CHILDREN'S DAY on 5 May 19 (6 May is alternate paid day off as 5 May falls on Sunday), and the BUDDAH'S BIRTHDAY on 12 May 19. All KN employees will be released from duty without charge to leave or loss of pay on these days. KN civilian employees who are required to work these days will be paid holiday premium pay. If holiday falls on an employee's non-work day, no substitute day will be granted.

**EMORIAL DAY:** Memorial Day, 27 May 19, is a legal holiday for U.S. civilian employees and

the liberal leave policy is in effect for KN non-essential civilian employees. Supervisors should ensure the time and attendance card 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 that require supervision must ensure adequate supervision is available. 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 advance notice.

If you have questions regarding the above, please contact Mr. Kim, Songwon or Ms. No, Hyechin of the Civilian Personnel Office, 784-4434/8177. (51 FSS/FSCA)

# Crimson Sky

# Free Korean Immersion Tour Announcement

san Service members and their families have I the opportunity to participate in Korean Immersion Tour sponsored by 7th Air Force and local governmental agencies.

The goal of the program is to give members of Osan military community a better understanding of the local culture while strengthening ties with our Korean partners.

The program includes Seoul N-tower and Kyeongbok Palace in Seoul.

Transportation, lunch, entrance fee are all free (paid by ROK government).

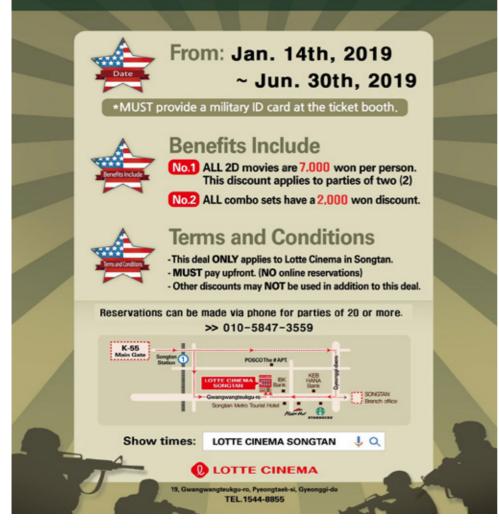
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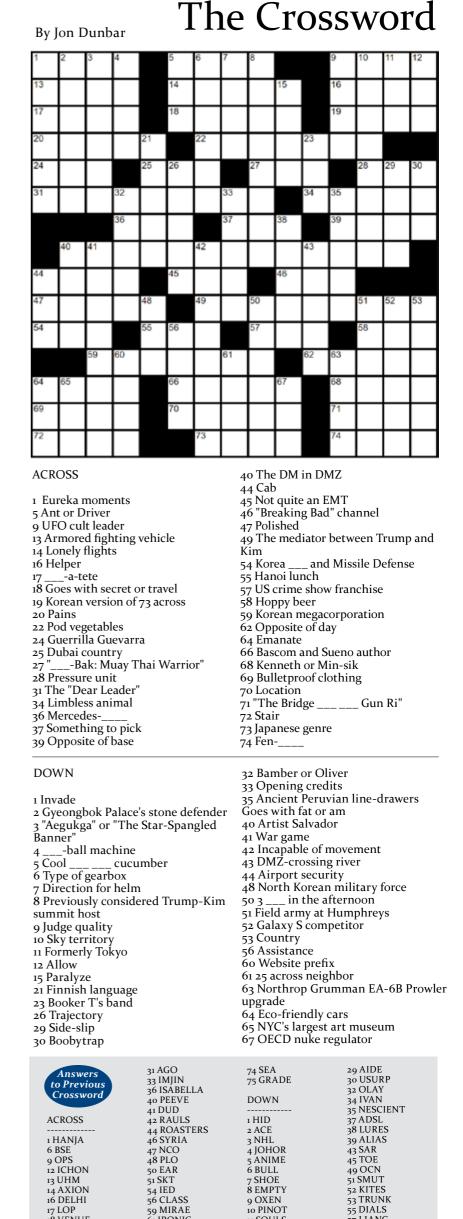
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# Photo NEWS



ir Force's Gianni Orlando makes a crease dive to score against University of Richmond goalie, Jack Rusbuldt April 13, 2019 at Falcon Stadium, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo. Air Force defeated the University of Richmond 14-7, handing the Southern Conference Champions their first conference loss of the season and achieving a three-way tie for the top spot in the league. (U.S. Air Force photo by Trevor Cokley) ▲

Aster Sgt. Sean Deam, Charlie flight chief, and Staff Sgt. Marcos Silverio, along with other competitors, demonstrate Fast Rope Insertion Extraction System ability for certification in preparation for the Best Ranger Competition, April 10, 2019, at Fort Benning, Ga. Both Airmen are tactical air control party from the 10th Air Support Operations Squadron, Fort Riley, Kan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sarayuth Pinthong) ►



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### - 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.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TRYOUTS: Women's basketball tryouts will be held at the Osan Fitness Center on 2, 7 and 8 May at 5:30pm. Tryouts are open to all women (military, DoD civilians, contractors and dependents age 18+). For more information, contact Justin Johnson at 010-7598-0362. GO GIRLS GO! 5K RUN: Please join the OES Go Girls Go team in celebration of their achievements, strengths, & diversity at the Go Girls Go 5k Run on Sat, 18 May @ 0900. Run starts/finishes at the Osan AB Fitness Center and is a FREE event open to Osan AB members & families (Note: only GGG participants will receive post-race goodie bags). If you're not a runner, come out as a spectator/supporter at the fitness center to cheer the girls through their last few steps and congratulate them as they cross the finish line! If you are interested in otherwise supporting the race (volunteering, donating, etc.), please contact MSgt Shalicia Wright at shalicia.wright@us.af.mil, DSN 784-4040, or MSgt Jessica Roper at jessica.roper@us.af.mil, DSN 784-3696. INNOVATION ENGINE ROOM 3.0: Tell us your ideas to improve quality of life on base! Download the Osan Air Base app, or find the IER shortcut on your desktop. For more information, contact MSgt Cortney Christiansen (cortney. christiansen@us.af.mil). QUARTERLY INTELLIGENCE BRIEF: The 51st Fighter Wing will be holding its quarterly intelligence briefing at the base theater 2 May at 0900 and 1500.

All personnel with a SECRET clearance are invited to attend. To register to at-

tend please contact your unit security manager. \*Neither electronic devices (phones, smart watches, radios, cameras, etc.) nor bags will be allowed into the theater, so please plan accordingly. \*\*For questions, comments or concerns, please contact 51 OSS/IN, 2d Lt Rajeev Stephens at 784-9519 or at rajeev.stephens.2@us.af.mil. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH: Staff Sgt** Alexander Mitchell, 19th Air Support Operations Squadron, has recently passed away. If you have any claims for or against his estate, please contact the assigned Summary Court Officer Capt Matthew Gilstad at DSN 756-7509. TAX CENTER STILL OPEN: The Osan Tax Center will remain open until 14 June 2019. Military personnel stationed overseas receive an automatic extension to file until this date. If you need an appointment, or have any questions concerning your taxes, please call the Legal Office at DSN 784-4131. ADVANCED ACQUISITION PLANNING CONFERENCE (AAPC): Regional Contracting Team Osan will host semiannual AAPC training 22 May 2019 at the Mustang Center Multi-Purpose room from 0900-1200. The purpose of this training is to demystify the contracting process and provide a basic foundation of contracting knowledge to facilitate a more efficient contracting process by focusing on the basic requirements for a procurement package. Targeted audience for this event are Resource Advisors, CPTS, FMA and anyone that is projected to be involved in contract requirement generation/ document production. Units wishing to

participate are encouraged to make a

reservation through CPT Randy Bookwal-

ter at randy.w.bookwalter.mil@mail.mil DSN 315-757-6020.

**TUTORING:** Free tutoring for all grades and subjects Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1630 to 1830. Wednesday tutoring is located at the Jirisan Tower (Bldg 1014) 1st floor Activity Room (on the right after entering from the main entrance). Thursday tutoring is located in the Tech Room at the Osan Youth Center. If you have questions or are interested in becoming a tutor, contact Capt Tan Pham at tan.pham.3@us.af. mil or DSN 784-0767 and check out the Osan AB Tutoring FB page: https://www.facebook.com/Osan-AB-Tutoring-450058569101338/ TRIVIA TUESDAY: Calling all service members, DoD civilians and their families! Assemble your 4-6 person team

or go solo with your arsenal of trivia knowledge every Tuesday at the Officer's Club, beginning at 1730. Prizes, free food, and drink specials awarded every week! For more information on this competition visit: https:// www.51fss.com/officersclub/

### - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES -BASE SEEKS VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS: Along with a community service

bullet, you can earn extra spending money while you serve the community officiating intramural and youth volleyball matches. Call 010-21885528 or email davidmoysey@yahoo.com for more information.

### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:** The Songtan-Pyeongtaek International Ex-

change Foundation has an opening for a volunteer on Wednesdays from 1000-1200 for an English talk cafe. It does not require any teaching experience; volunteers would sit with people, occasionally write a word and definition on the board, and keep a conversation going in English for 2 hours with a small group and make sure everyone has a fair turn to speak in English. Please contact the American Red Cross at Osan@ RedCross.org to sign up.

### - RECURRING -

**OSAN BASE HONOR GUARD "TO** HONOR WITH DIGNITY": Are you highly motivated? Are you dedicated to excellence? Do you want to be among the sharpest? If the answer is yes to all three questions, the Osan Honor Guard Team welcomes you! If you know someone who is a yes to all three, send them our way because excellence is our standard! This is a high visibility opportunity, with great networking capabilities and a chance for wing level involvement. For more information contact SSgt Lavontae Wright at 784-1091 or via email:lavontae.wright@us.af.mil, SSgt John Olubiyi at 784-9853 or via email: john.olubiyi.1@us.af.mil or MSgt Justin Lemmon at 784-0235 or via email: justin.lemmon@us.af.mil

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE COUN-CIL: Come out to our general meeting which is held the first Thursday of every month at 1130 in the E-club (Silver Star Room). Finger food will be provided as well as a great atmosphere for us to come together, network, and develop significant community events to enhance morale and improve community relations. If you are motivated, opportunities will be provided to lead. So spread the word, and bring a friend.

Kunsan's emergency phone numbers				
Emergency Services	911			
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)		

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	

# Crimson Sky



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### Ch, Col. Shon Neyland **PACAF Command Chaplain**

In this article, I am going to talk about Lt Col Jacqueline Cochran, a woman with a vision to change the world and certainly a champion of peace through deterrence. Cochran became the first female pilot to break the sound barrier in 1953. She was an inspiration to a generation of women and men who defended the United States during World War II and propelled us to victory. Lt Col Cochran was a visionary because she believed that anything was possible! Despite the limitations of women during those times, she defied the odds and was determined to soar with the wind and stars to do the impossible.

Lt Col Cochran led the historic and ground-breaking Women's Air Force Service Pilots (WASP) training program during World War II when she was appointed to the General Staff of the U.S. Army. She worked with Gen. Henry "Hap" Arnold in advocating for women to fly military aircraft during the war

### **SPIRITUAL CHARGE**

### It is Possible: Soar with the Wind and Stars

and beyond. She went on to receive the Distinguished Service Medal for her contributions to the war and became the first woman to fly a bomber across the North Atlantic. Cochran set records in almost every category of aviation and was a key contributor to tests and studies on women becoming astronauts. There is no doubt Lt Col Cochran was a pioneer not only for women, but also for all of America. She demonstrated that with a vision and inspiration, one could change the landscape and blaze new trails. She believed it was possible!

Like many of us, Lt Col Cochran did not always have an easy road in life, but she was resilient. In fact, she started life in abject poverty with little education and had to work her way up to earn a decent living. She would get married early in life to Mr. Robert Cochran, an aircraft mechanic, and start a family. They had one son together, Robert



Cochran Jr. Lt Col Cochran filed for divorce a few short years later after the birth of Robert Jr. Tragically, at the age of five years old, Robert Jr. accidently killed himself while playing in the yard alone with fire. Yet through all of the hard times and tragedies Lt Col Cochran would not stop pursuing her dreams and stepped into her destiny. Cochran would remarry a wealthy business owner and later start her own lucrative cosmetic business line, "Wings." By 1951 she was voted one of the 25 outstanding business women in America. She would go on to become a great influencer of her era as she was close to General Dwight Eisenhower who would later come President. Lt Col Cochran said it best, "If you will open up your power plants of vitality and energy, clean up your spark plugs of ambition and desires,

and pour in the fuel of work, you will be likely to go places and do things." Simply put, she believed it was possible!

Lt Col Cochran knew the mission required an emphasis on vitality, ambition and work. Visionary leaders possess the energy and drive to see the possible and take action to accomplish the mission. She would go on to change the landscape of American history and leave a legacy for all to follow. Her life was full of risks and challenges for she stated, "To live without risk for me would be tantamount to death." And live she did! Hers was a life full of risks, yet overwhelmingly successful! Her story is a message of inspiration, leadership and hope that no matter where we start in life, greater things are possible.

We should seek to be unwavering in our personal lives and operational mission, blazing new trails with a vision for success. She believed in a strength greater than herself. Her drive and internal resolve to do the impossible was fueled by her faith. Some may call it a strength greater than oneself.



Cochran is quoted as stating, "It comes with faith, for with complete faith there is no fear of what faces you in life or death." Not all will subscribe to a greater power outside of themselves, and I respect that view. Whatever gives you purpose and hope can propel you to new heights and help you envision what is possible. At the time of her death in 1980, Lt Col Cochran held more records for international speed, distance and altitude than any other pilot (male or female) — purely inspirational! Today her legacy lives on as she is enshrined in the National Aviation Hall of Fame in the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force. I close with this final thought from Lt Col Cochran: "I might have been born in a hovel (shack) but I am determined to travel with the wind and the stars." What about you?

### **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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### **CHAPEL SCHEDULE 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.

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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 dass/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-/: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 Visit us on SharePoint: https://osan.eim.pacaf. af.mil/51FW/51FW-HC/default.aspx

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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

Point of Contact: USAG Yongsan Religious Support Office, 738-3011 Visit us on SharePoint: http://www.army.mil/yongsan

### **USAG-YONGSAN**

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** 

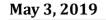
General Service

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

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



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A group of spouses from the 51st Medical Group named "Spouse Spice" pose for a photo while attending the inaugural Osan Spouses' Dining-in at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 27. The event, which honored the service and sacrifices made by military spouses, served as an opportunity for both U.S. and Korean spouses to learn about each other. About 85 U.S. Air Force and Army spouses of both enlisted and officers attended the "Rocking the ROK" experience alongside some of their Korean spouse counterparts. Seventh Air Force and 51st Fighter Wing senior leader spouses co-hosted the bilateral event to strengthen the Alliance, while also extending military traditions to those who don't wear the uniform. (Courtesy Photo) ▲

Cindy Wilsbach (center), spouse of Lt. Gen. Kenneth Wilsbach, 7 AF commander poses with Chang, Yun-Jung (center-right), spouse of the Lt. Gen. Keon Wan Lee, Republic of Korea Air Force Operations Center commander and other Korean spouses during the inaugural Osan Spouses' Dining-in at Osan Air Base, ROK April 27. Seventh Air Force and 51st Fighter Wing senior leader spouses co-hosted the bilateral event to strengthen the Alliance, while also extending military traditions to those who don't wear the uniform. The event honored the service and sacrifices spouse make to the mission and served as an early celebration for Military Spouse Appreciation Day on May 10. (Courtesy Photo) ▼



# Inaugural Osan Spouses' Dining-in recognizes contributions

### By Master Sgt. Nadine Y. Barclay Seventh Air Force Public Affairs

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- A military tradition that began in the 1930s with General H. "Hap" Arnold's "wing-dings," the Dining-in is a formal military ceremony for members of a unit, which generally includes a dinner and other events to foster camaraderie and esprit de corps.

However, what happens when members of the unit extend beyond the battlefield? For spouses here, the tradition was reimagined recently as the inaugural Osan Spouses' Diningin kicked off April 27 and served as an early celebration for Military Spouse Appreciation Day on May 10.

About 85 U.S. Air Force and Army spouses of both enlisted and officers attended the "Rocking the ROK" experience alongside some of their Korean spouse counterparts. Seventh Air Force and 51st Fighter Wing senior leader spouses co-hosted the bilateral event to strengthen the Alliance, while also extending military traditions to those who don't wear the uniform.

"The festivities are a vehicle whereby we can honor, applaud, and thank our spouses for their incredible service and sacrifices," said Cindy Wilsbach, spouse of Lt. Gen. Kenneth Wilsbach, 7 AF commander. "Military spouses are missionessential to our Armed Forces and this event celebrates their invaluable contributions."

The evening's celebration included some of the more traditional aspects of the Dining-in but substituted the mess dress uniforms, plated meal and formal centerpieces for a more upbeat theme.

"This event was designed to build unit cohesiveness and pride and to celebrate Osan's military spouses," said Cindy. "This revved-up version featured teams carrying out the musical theme by selecting a band, a specific song, or music genre from any decade and incorporating that selection in their table decor, costumes and a short skit."

The teams paid homage to iconic music legends including Elvis, Queen, and Guns N' Roses and served as primer on American pop-culture for many Korean nationals in attendance.

"I think that the role of the military family, as well as, the military members are important in protecting the country," said Chang, Yun-Jung, spouse of the Lt. Gen. Keon Wan Lee, ROK Air Force Operations Center commander. "Through special times like these, we learn and understand each other better and can deepen friendships and trust between our two countries."

Event leaders echoed the importance of host-nation spouse participation not only from a diplomatic standpoint but also a way for the Korean spouses to experience something new. "This event, held in bases worldwide, is designed to build morale and unit pride, but the Spouses' Dining In is especially beneficial at overseas bases when families are so far from home, extended family, and surrounded by an unfamiliar culture," said Cindy.

As the U.S. and ROK slogan, Katchi Kapshida "we go together" suggests, the Alliance is not just between service members, who work alongside each other every day, it also extends to the families who compose the core of the Korean Airpower Team.

"The ROK military spouses serve and sacrifice for their country in the same way as American military spouses - it's a bond that extends beyond language barriers and cultural differences, "said Cindy. "Sharing this event was a great way to strengthen our friendships and our alliance. And both the Korean and U.S spouses stepped up in a big way and rocked the ROK!"



Spouses from the Seventh Air Force pose for a photo while attending the inaugural Osan Spouses' Dining-in at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 27. The evening's celebration included some of the more traditional aspects of the Dining-in but substituted the mess dress uniforms, plated meal and formal centerpieces for a more upbeat theme. Teams paid homage to iconic music legends including Elvis, Queen, and Guns N' Roses and served as primer on American pop-culture for many Korean nationals in attendance. (Courtesy Photo)

### May 3, 2019



Members from the 176th Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, create a concrete pad for the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 17, 2019. The 176th CES sent members on a training deployment to assist the 8th CES in fulfilling work orders around the installation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Stefan Alvarez)

Airmen from the 176th Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, and the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron brief senior noncommissioned officers from the 176th CES on the status of a plumbing issue at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 17, 2019. 176th CES members worked side-by-side with 8th CES personnel to resolve issues and make improvements across the installation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Stefan Alvarez) ▼

# **176th CES reinforces 8th CES; strengthens Kunsan's foundation**





U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Tyler Larimer (second from right), a firefighter from the 176th **Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint** Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, poses for a photo with **8th Civil Engineer Squadron** firefighters at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 17, 2019. Larimer immersed himself with the 8th CES fire department and responded to several calls, gaining experience on flight line and aircraft fire operations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Stefan Alvarez)



Members from the 176th Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, create a concrete pad for the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 17, 2019. The 176th CES sent members on a training deployment to gain experience performing tasks they normally wouldn't have an opportunity to back at their home station. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Stefan Alvarez) ◄

Senior non-commissioned officers from the 176th Civil Engineer Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, pose for a photo at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 17, 2019. The 176th CES sent members on a training deployment and during their time in Korea raised money and donated toys to a local orphanage. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Stefan Alvarez) ▼





By Airman First Class Andrew Kobialka 366th Fighter Wing

MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE, Idaho (AFNS) -- "Hide!"

Four crashed aircrew members scatter into knee-high desert brush searching for a spot to blend-in with the environment. There's nothing but a dying, desolate landscape as far as the eye can see. And yet, they need to disappear. These aircrew are being hunted.

Rustling through the brush downwind of the pilots is a man and his dog.

"Find them!"

The duo presses on with the hunt, despite being at a disadvantage. The dog puts his nose to the air and takes in short, quick breaths, but an unrelenting mist keeps the aircrew's scents from being carried by the wind. They traverse miles of mud and brush, stopping every-so-often to stare out into the seemingly endless tan and brown canvas laid out before them.

No matter how this ordeal ends, both sides will be better for it.

Staff Sgt. Antonio Padilla, 336th Security Forces Squadron military working dog trainer, and Alf, 366th SFS military working dog, acting as opposition forces, hunt down pilots to enhance the combat readiness of both parties during a search and rescue operation as part of a Gunfighter Flag exercise at Saylor Creek Range Complex, Idaho.

Gunfighter Flag concentrates on preparing Airmen to be ready to overcome obstacles that may appear in a deployed environment. Padilla plays a unique role in that preparation.

"When we are at the range, scouting for pilots, we are not only testing the survival skills of our pilots, but also honing the capabilities and teamwork between MWDs and their trainers," Padilla said.

To effectively enhance readiness this training has to be exactly like the real deal.

"Finding a way to simulate stress is important," said Staff Sgt. David H. Chorpening, 366th Operation Support Squadron noncommissioned officer in charge of survival, evasion, resistance, escape operations.

"AHHH!"

Screams riddled with anguish and anxiety filled the air as each aircrew member suffered a bite from Alf.

The aircrew was protected by a bite-suit, but the stress they experienced was almost tangible, and not easily forgotten.

Incorporating stress into these scenarios helps ingrain the survival process and procedures into the minds of Airmen to ensure they will be able to act



Staff Sgt. Antonio Padilla, 366th Security Forces Squadron military working dog trainer, and Alf, 366th SFS military working dog, act as opposition forces and hunt down "crashed" pilots during a combat search and rescue exercise April 2, 2019, at Saylor Creek Range near Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. This is one aspect of the Gunfighter Flag exercise that tests the abilities of pilots to stay hidden until rescue arrives while military working dog trainers and their dogs hone their tracking ability in an expansive environment. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman First Class Andrew Kobialka)



on it in the field, Chorpening said.

Padilla and Alf bring a dose of stressful realism to the exercise through Alf's vicious bite and undying loyalty that, consequently, often inflicts fear into whoever they pursue.

However, to be frightening is one thing, to be ready for deployment is another. That requires MWDs to be well-trained, obedient and skilled. Developing that in a MWD, like Alf, takes time and dedicated trainers.

Padilla said that there is a process of building rapport with new dogs, solidifying their commands, and exposing them to realistic situations like bitework and detection that has to take place before they are cleared for deployment.

Ultimately, MWDs are tested in exercises like scouting for aircrew members in a vast environment with endless hiding places. This serves as a great preparation tool for MWDs and their trainers.

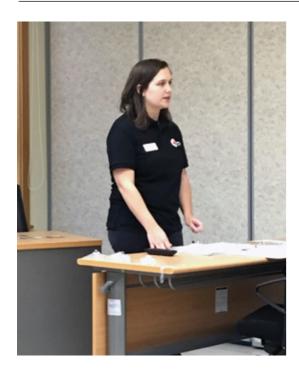
As an MWD and its trainer work together, they understand each other better and are able to work cohesively, Padilla said. "On a scout, the dog leads the way, but we are a team," Padilla said. "Alf's senses are a lot better than a human's. Alf will often see, hear or smell a potential target before I do. Then I am able to decipher whether or not it is what we are looking for or if we should move on."

It is a rigorous journey to become a MWD but in the end they are able to save lives in real-world situations and through readiness exercises like Gunfighter Flag.

"This training is so beneficial for trainers and their dogs to gain the experience of realistic training," Padilla said. "What is even better is the dualistic nature of the exercise that enables pilots to improve their survival and evasion tactics simultaneously."

The search and rescue exercise at Saylor Creek Range Complex may be a single piece of Gunfighter Flag, but is vital nonetheless because of the life saving potential it holds. Padilla and Alf continue to diligently work towards enhancing the readiness of themselves and the aircrew they hunt.

# Spotlight



# The Babysitting Queen, Jolene!

Story by Shams Kadum Photos by Jaime Waterbury

olene Farley is currently the Osan Red Cross' babysitting volunteer lead since January of 2019. She is originally from Southern california. Growing up, Jolene's brother had a disability and went through several different special education programs. Though many were great, several offered substandard education. Within this environment, Jolene quickly understood the importance of a good educational program and used these positive experiences to help her brother with his development and schooling. These responsibilities and understandings of special needs ignited an interest in her to pursue a career in this very field. With that passion, Jolene was driven to become a special education teacher in Riverside County, California.

What she could not have predicted right then was that she would eventually be using her knowledge, skills, and love of working with children when she moved to Osan Airbase, South Korea. The Red Cross provided this opportunity for her. She channeled what she had experienced and learned in her past and directly applied it to the babysitting lead position; which has made a tremendous impact on the Osan Airbase community. Her position requires her not only to train youth and adults in dealing with emergency situations, but also provide CPR instructions as well as lessons on the different developmental stages of children.

As a Red Cross volunteer, the flexibility of



this position allows her the freedom and time to pursue a degree in finance. She continues to both study and generously offer her time to the Red Cross, while actively looking for other instructors to teach the child CPR courses.

Please join Jolene if you are interested in becoming a babysitting instructor. In order to participate, you must have basic CPR certifications and CPR instructor certifications. These certifications can be obtained here locally at the Osan Red Cross.

We have monthly babysitting courses. Our upcoming courses are set for 18 May 2019 and 14 June 2019. Both courses are scheduled for 0930 at the McPherson Community Center, Building 916, Classroom 3.

# 24 Solar Terms (Part 7)

By KyongHui "Jennie" Pae

# 7. Yipha: Start of Summer

Indicating the beginning of summer. Around May 5th of the solar calendar, when the Sun's ecliptic reaches 45 degrees.

At this time, the spring energy disappears, the mountains and the fields begin to have fresh green leaves, and the frogs sing.

In addition, the seedlings grow well, and rice shoots begin to appear in the field. It is also called Yipha, which means early summer. People are busy collecting tea leaves during this time. Generally, tea made during the fall of the harvest season is called a "woojeon" and is considered the best product, but even tea made around the time of arrival is no lesser quality. Yipha is the season between Gogu and Soman to mark the beginning of summer.

Reference: Korean Folk Culture Research







U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Quinton Gittens, second from right, 51st Force Support Squadron NCO in charge of community programs and partnership, competes in the 2019 Amateur Olympia Korea competition at Incheon City, Republic of Korea, April 28, 2019. Olympia is a bodybuilding competition where competitors are judged on different categories such as conditioning, symmetry and muscularity to determine winners in different classes. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa)

# **Osan Airmen compete in bodybuilding showcase**

### By Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- Airmen from Osan Air Base participated in the 2019 Amateur Olympia Korea competition at Incheon City, Republic of Korea, April 28, 2019.

The amateur competition is held every year throughout different locations, which provides contestants the opportunity to vie for a pro card, or ticket, into the professional level of the competition.

"I've been competing for about four years now and the environment in this one was great," said Staff Sgt. Daniel Thompson, 6th Intelligence Squadron geospatial intelligence analyst and native of Atlanta, Georgia. "Getting to meet so many international competitors was a rewarding experience. A few lessons were learned and a few things I will do differently for the next time."

Competitors are judged on different categories such as conditioning, symmetry and muscularity to determine winners in different classes.

Thompson competed in the open Men's Physique class and finished in the top eight of 25 competitors.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Daniel Thompson competes in the open Men's Physique class at the 2019 Amateur Olympia Korea competition in Incheon City, Republic of Korea, April 28, 2019. Thompson has been competing in bodybuilding events for about four years. He is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, and is a geospatial intelligence analyst assigned to the 6th Intelligence Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa)

Tech. Sgt. Quinton Gittens, 51st Force Support Squadron NCO in charge of community programs and partnership, outshined his competition in the novice Men's Physique class.

"At first I was a little nervous, but as the day progressed it got better," Gittens said. "The entire time I had doubts. I was one of the smallest guys on the stage, so it was very hard for me to find confidence. I didn't think I was going to win, but then I heard my name indicating I took first place in my category. At the end, the hard work payed off. I'm just glad it turned out the way it did."

Tech. Sgt. Jasmine Spruill, 51st FSS NCO in charge of special programs and native of Woodridge, Virginia, took home second place in the Women's Bikini division.

Though the Airmen did not receive pro cards, they remained resilient and went home with a positive outlook and their heads held high.

"Each day of prep was a small accomplishment and knowing that I stayed true to my diet and workout routine day in and day out was a massive accomplishment," Thompson said. "I'm walking away from this one without a pro card, but trophies or medals don't matter as long as you're improving and having a good time. With anything in life, give it your all in whatever you put your focus on. Reaching personal objectives greatly outweigh material rewards and regardless of where you end up, if you reach personal goals you've succeeded."

Spruill shared the sentiment. "Hard work comes with sacrifice and

discipline," she said. "Make those sacrifices because it's worth it in the end."

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jasmine Spruill competes in the open Women's Physique class at the 2019 Amateur Olympia Korea competition in Incheon City, Republic of Korea, April 28, 2019. Spruill placed second in her class of the bodybuilding competition. She is a native of Woodbridge, Virginia, and is the NCO in charge of special programs for the 51st Force Support Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa) ►





The Osan's Chiefs Group has a monthly recognition program titled Chief's Choice Award. Every month a chief has the honor of choosing a deserving airman for an outstanding act or for continuous outstanding performance.

For the month of March, the chiefs are proud to present the Chief's Choice Award to: TSgt Sarah Zwieg

As the commanders Action Officer, Sergeant Zwieg completed overhaul of the SF Armory. She revamped the Armory training program, realigned the duty position with critical tasks and implemented a five flight armorer program, and certified 36 personnel in under 30 days. Sergeant Zwieg also identified gaps, and created a "best practice" to reduce 6 hour in base defense arming. Furthermore, she presented the plan at 51st Fighter Wing Innovation, won, and 51st SFS was awarded \$18K in funds to execute the initiative. Q1. What squadron are you a part of, what is your job title and what are your duties? 51 SFS, NCOIC, Armory Q2. How long have you been in the Air Force? 8 years Q3. How long have you been at Osan? 6 Months **Q4.** Where is your hometown? Jefferson, Wisconsin Q5. What is your personal motto? "Always Ready Q6. Name two of your long-term goals? - To complete my Master's Program in Public Administration - Travel to all 7 Continents Q7. What are your off-duty interests and hobbies? Hiking and Reading Q8. Who or what are your inspirations? **Enlisted Jesus!** 

Travel

# FINDING BALANCE IN NATURE

Emotions can run high on a trip to Korea, ranging from Eexcitement and happiness to anxiety and exhaustion. To recover from this gamut, be sure to schedule plenty of downtime in your itinerary! Some of the best places to find balance and peace of mind are at gardens and parks just outside of Seoul. Easily accessible via public transportation, you'll feel revived in no time!



### A banquet of flowers awaits at The Garden of Morning Calm ▲

The Garden of Morning Calm, located in Gapyeong, Gyeonggido, is just a 50 minute-ride out of Seoul. It is considered the best garden in Korea, bringing in more than 1,300,000 visitors a year. The name "Morning Calm" came from Sir Tagore, a poet from India, who described Korea as "A land of the Morning Calm."

Designed with the concept of Korean style curves and asymmetrical balance, The Garden of Morning Calm consists of various themed gardens, including the romantic Eden's Garden, expansive Morning Square, and Korean Garden. One of the most popular spots among tourists is Seohwayeon Pond, a beautiful water garden that featured in the Korean drama "Love in the Moonlight (2016)."

• Address: 432, Sumogwon-ro, Gapyeong-gun, Gyeonggi-do

### Fall in love with Ilsan Lake Park ▼

Ilsan Lake Parkspans over 900,000 square meters, making it the largest man-made lake in East Asia. The park offers visitors a chance to relax with more than 100 species of wild flowers and 200,000 diverse trees. Visitors can also enjoy a stroll around the lake along the 7.5-kilometer-long walking trail or zoom past it riding a bicycle on a 4.7-kilometerlong bike path. The park hosts International Horiculture Goyang Korea annually, and with different flowers blooming throughout the year, it's a perfect place for a walk or a picnic.

• Address: 595, Hosu-ro, Ilsandong-gu, Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do





### Korea's most beautiful library, Forest of Wisdom ▲

Within Paju Book City, there is an extraordinary library called the "Forest of Wisdom," where you can take a walk along magnificent rows of books for a special experience. The library holds more than 500,000 books that were all donated on bookshelves reaching a height of 8 meters and covering a distance of 3.1 kilometers. The books are grouped by donors instead of following the traditional library classification. Many book lovers come to the Forest of Wisdom to savor the atmosphere of being surrounded by so many books rather than to actually read here.

• Address: 145, Hoedong-gil, Paju-si, Gyeonggi-do

### The Botanical Garden BCJ (Byeokchoji), a picture perfect setting ▼

The Botanical Garden BCJ, located in Paju, is perfect for walking with level paths. You can find couples taking wedding photos all year round as the garden is one of the most popular places to take pictures. It has also starred as a filming location for many Korean dramas such as "My love from the Star (2013)" and "Descendants of the Sun (2016)," as well as the movie "The Handmaiden (2016)," and various commercials and music videos. Feel free to join in the craze and have your very own photo shoot here to celebrate your time in Korea!

• Address: 242, Buheung-ro, Paju-si, Gyeonggi-do



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