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Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron commander and U-2 command pilot, receives a patch commemorating his 2,000th hour flight at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 17, 2020. This mission solidifies Georgescu's 2,000 flying hours spent with the U-2 since 2013. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Bugenig)



## 2,000 and Climbing: 5RS Commander Hits Milestone

### 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea --** Looking upon the curvature of the Earth from 70,000 feet is not your average office view, but for Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron commander, this is where he has spent 2,000 hours of his life.

Over the past 13 years, Georgescu has spent 2,000 hours flying the U-2 Dragon Lady; an achievement not easily met by all pilots. Only

1,060 pilots have ever flown the U-2 in its 70-year history, and only about 35 pilots have ever met the major milestone.

"I am incredibly grateful to have met this milestone," Georgescu said. "But it would not have been possible without the support of my family and the incredible 5th RS team."

To spend that much time inside the cramped cockpit, wearing a high-altitude pressure suit, scraping ice from the canopy, and all alone with the vastness of space around them, it's a challenge that not many can handle. It's one of

the reasons they wear the Latin phrase "Solum Volamus," meaning "we fly alone" on their patches.

"The only thing I find uncomfortable about flying the U-2 is knowing that someday this incredible experience will end," Georgescu said.

Few other air and spacecraft have ever flown at such high altitudes, giving U-2 pilots a unique perspective of the runway they depart from and return to on a daily basis from the outer atmosphere.

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# US, Royal Thai air forces conduct first-ever virtual 'Airman-to-Airman Talks'

**By Staff Sgt. Hailey Haux,  
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**JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii** -- Pacific Air Forces and Washington Air National Guard Airmen sit face-to-face with their counterparts from the Royal Thai Air Force (RTAF), except the venue is a little different from the last time Airman-to-Airman Talks (A2AT) were held Aug. 28 at Camp Murray, Washington – this time it's a virtual meeting.

Pacific Air Forces first began the A2AT program in 2012 and currently participates in bilateral air force talks with 13 nations. The talks provide an avenue to develop interoperability, foster military-to-military relations and improve bilateral cooperation.

Due to the coronavirus, the annual talks took place virtually for the first time, June 15 through 18; however, that didn't stop the important discussions from being held.

"Welcome to the seventh Airman-to-Airman Talks," said RTAF Air Marshal Tanasak Metananta, deputy chief of the Air Staff. "The meeting this year is special because we have to make it through video conference for the first time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Today we will continue talks on such topics as air domain awareness, cyber security and plans for the next five years."

As the seventh iteration of A2AT, the delegations discussed a number of topics, ranging from aerospace medicine, and logistics to air domain awareness, information security and cyber defense.

"These bilateral efforts and commitments not only deepen our relationship, but also secure a stronger future," said U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. David Burgy, Air National Guard assistant to the commander, Pacific Air Forces. "I'm confident that our air forces will work closely together to achieve our shared goals. Let's showcase our deep commitment for a secure future of a free and open Indo-Pacific."

Thailand is the United States' oldest ally in Asia, going on 202 years since the two countries made initial contact between the King of Siam and the president of the United States, resulting in more than two centuries of friendship between the two nations.

The two air forces continue to build on that long-term relationship through exercises like Red Flag



**Royal Thai Air Force Air Marshal Tanasak Metananta, deputy chief of the Air Staff, signs the Airman-to-Airman Talks minutes during the final moments of the four-day event, June 18, 2020. Due to the Coronavirus, the annual talks took place virtually for the first time, June 15 through 18; discussing aerospace medicine, logistics, air domain awareness, information security and cyber defense. (Courtesy photo)**

Alaska, Cope Tiger and Cobra Gold, which are annual exercises that focus on a myriad of different events and operations such as tactical airlift capabilities, humanitarian assistance and regional cooperation, and collaboration at all levels. Though Cope Tiger was postponed due to COVID-19, there are talks of resuming the exercise ahead.

"Our cooperation combines resources that deliver air, space, and cyberspace capabilities; encourages peaceful development; responds to contingencies; and deters aggression in the Indo-Pacific region," Burgy said. "By strengthening our robust network of allies and partners, based on shared principles, we will continue to support a safe, secure, and prosperous region in accordance with international rules and norms."

The four-day A2AT generated many discussions and gave the two nations the ability to review the effectiveness of their exercise and engagement programs.

"Despite everything going on in our world, the fact that we are having this virtual Airman-to-Airman Talks highlights the importance of the relationship between the Kingdom of Thailand and the United States," said Brig. Gen. Gent Welsh, Washington Air National Guard commander. "We are looking forward to the resumption of our mutually beneficial training schedule later this year when safe and feasible."

The Washington Air National Guard is the State Partner to the Kingdom of Thailand, through the State Partnership Program, or SPP. The SPP links a unique component of the Department of Defense - a state's National Guard - with the armed forces or equivalent of a partner country

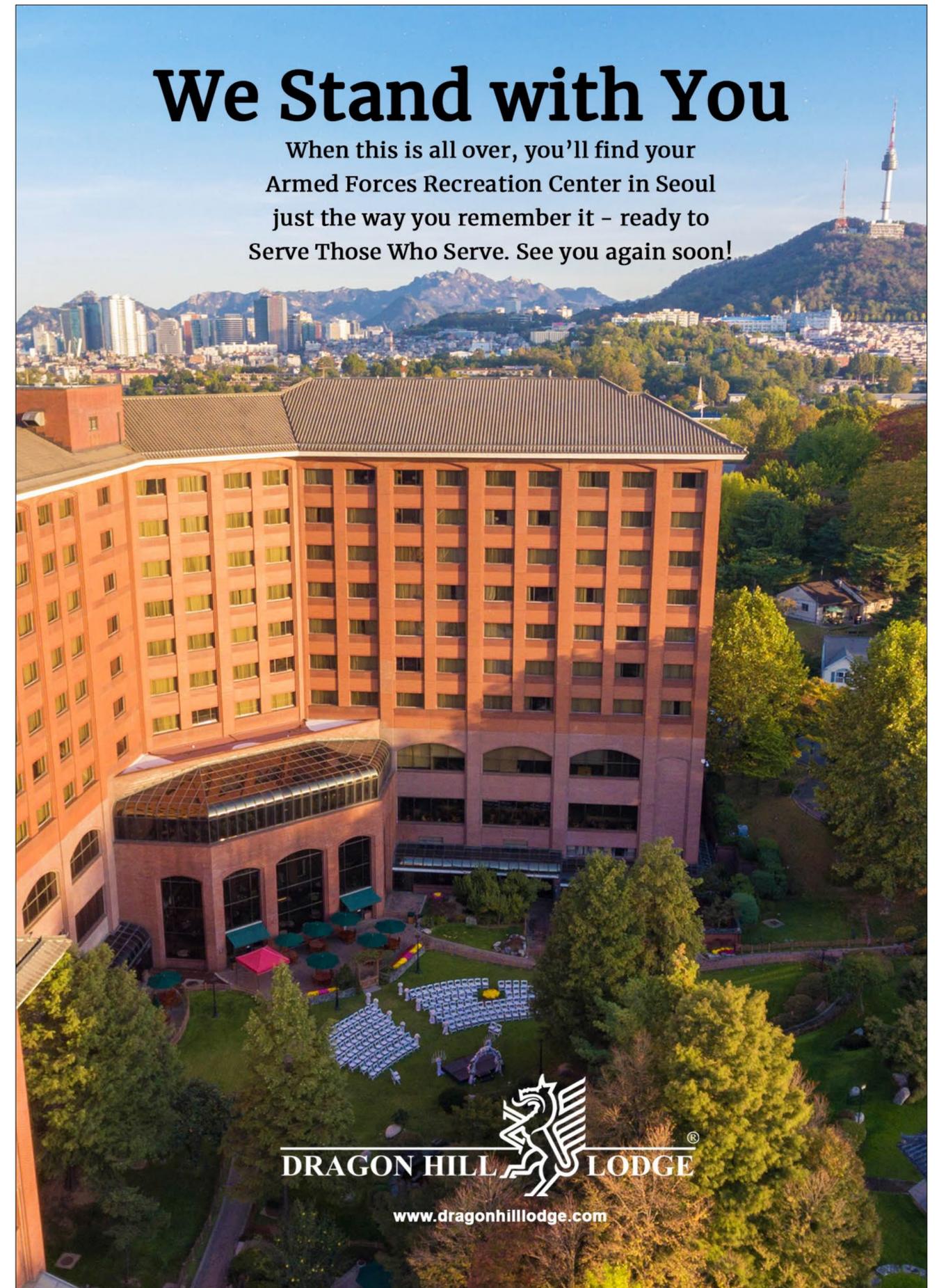
in a cooperative, mutually beneficial relationship. "The State Partnership Program relationship between the Washington Air National Guard and the Royal Thai air force has never been stronger," Welsh said. "I look forward to the day when a Washington Air National Guard KC-135 tankers not only refuel Royal Thai air force fighters, but transport RTAF Airmen to Washington State for exercises and bring our Airmen to Thailand for training. My hope is that we continue to develop generations of Airmen in both Washington State and Thailand that work and grow old together, mutually working on areas of interest between our two nations for many, many years to come."

Through the SPP, the National Guard conducts military-to-military engagements in support of defense security goals but also leverages whole-of-society relationships and capabilities to facilitate broader interagency and corollary engagements spanning military, government, economic and social spheres.

Even with COVID-19 restrictions, the U.S. and Royal Thai air forces have continued to work together to foster relationships and community through whatever means necessary.

"COVID-19 remains a global challenge that no nation can face alone. Our strong network of alliances and partnerships is critical to combating this virus," Burgy said. "In the center of this pandemic, we need to find ways to stay connected and work together as demonstrated by the virtual execution of this seventh Airman-to-Airman Talks."

The next A2AT between the two countries is scheduled to take place July 2021.



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# Driven to succeed: NCO beats the odds



**Tech. Sgt. John Bishop, 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron NCO in charge of vehicle maintenance, trains for long distance marathon running at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2020. Bishop's goal is to run 1,000 miles during his time stationed at Kunsan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Anthony Hetlage)**

**By Staff Sgt. Anthony Hetlage**  
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- Standing outside an oil-slicked vehicle bay carefully sifting under the hood of a truck, Tech. Sgt. John Bishop inspects the coolant. As the NCO in charge of vehicle maintenance for the 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron, Bishop knows his career field demands a strong work ethic to maintain more than 480 vehicles across the Wolf Pack.

Bishop grew up in a rough area of Toledo, Ohio. He was raised by his mother, Frances, after his father passed away when Bishop was 3 years old. Early on, his mother instilled in him a strong work ethic that he honed from a very young age.

"I valued a dollar because I didn't grow up with any type of money," Bishop reminisced. "I had to earn my income starting at seven years old, which helped my mom pay our bills as well as buying myself nicer clothes and a better bicycle."

Bishop did odd jobs around his neighborhood to help his mother makes ends meet. He started out by cutting grass, shoveling snow and raking leaves. At 12 years old, he started to caddy at a local golf course.

Bishop's mother, Frances, worked a plethora of jobs from JC Penny's to retirement home cleaning



to support him throughout his childhood. Nonetheless, Bishop witnessed his mother always working hard, displaying a good work ethic for her son, while also competing in body building competitions. This is when he discovered the value of a dollar and his appreciation for fitness.

"I found my love for fitness at an early age," recollects Bishop "I am fitness oriented whether it be lifting weights, running, Spartan races or cycling. I learned a lot from my mom including work ethic and fitness."

Frances wasn't always around to help guide her son down the right path because of her hectic work schedule.

"I didn't really have someone to sit me down and tell me, 'these are the type of people you should hang out with or not be around, or the reasons why you should focus on school,'" said Bishop.

Many of his childhood friends joined gangs or found themselves caught up in local gang affiliations.

"I've unfortunately had more friends pass away from gang violence than those I've lost in the military which is troubling," said Bishop. "I learned from other people's mistakes which helped me make better choices."

Working odd jobs, playing basketball, running and biking helped keep him from making those mistakes.

"My goals growing up were to just make my mom proud, stay out of trouble and work hard," said Bishop. "I was really into basketball, I would go to school, go home, do homework real quick and then I was outside every day; all day until the sun went down."

After high school, Bishop worked automobile production lines. There he started out building the front ends of Jeep Wranglers. He took any opportunity given to him to progress and learn more. He worked on various vehicles from the interior of the Mazda 6 to the exterior of the Dodge Nitro. He even trained as a forklift driver so he could support any production line.

"I worked wherever I was needed on the production line in Toledo," said Bishop. "To get extra hours, I would work 8 hours on the production line before doing another 8 hours operating a forklift."

At the age of 24, he decided to join the Air Force in 2010, making his mother very proud.

"Her dad earned a purple heart during World War II and she had pictures of him all over the house," Bishop said proudly. "When I joined, she had my picture right next to his."

Entering the Air Force, Bishop knew he wanted to have a mechanical based career field.

"I love to work on vehicles and electronics," he said. "I got vehicle maintenance as my career after going in basic training with an open mechanical contract. I'm a car guy so I do enjoy my job."

After a four year stint working in the automobile industry, his mother was overjoyed Bishop was able to find a stable career that he liked in the Air Force.

"My mom told me she was happy I joined the Air Force and that I found a good career," Bishop lamented. "It was one of the last conversations I had with my mom."

Bishop's mother passed away in 2014.

Bishop's career in vehicle maintenance, has sent him across the U.S. while working on a myriad of vehicles. He described being stationed at Pope Air Force Base, North Carolina as his favorite part of his career.

"I was able to work on vehicles that 90 percent



**Tech. Sgt. John Bishop, 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron NCO in charge of vehicle maintenance, inspects a vehicle at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 4, 2020. Bishop is troubleshooting a low coolant light on the vehicle by checking the voltage to ensure the sensor is getting power. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Anthony Hetlage)** ◀

**Bishop removes the coolant from a vehicle to inspect its sensor at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 4, 2020. Hetlage)** ▼



of people in the Air Force don't get to work on like boats and jet skis," exclaimed Bishop. "I also got to help train Special Warfare Operators in vehicle related tasks to ensure they were proficient when conducting real-world missions down range."

His work at Pope made him feel very, fulfilled. "If I could spend my entire career in special operations, I definitely would," said Bishop. "I feel great appreciation for being in the military and being able to support our nation in combatting terrorism."

He also met his wife at Langley AFB, Virginia, Walida, whom he met through a mutual friend. "She's absolutely sent from God, she is smart, dedicated, caring and loyal," Bishop said. "I have never had a better support system than her. She's supported me through deployments and more than 40 TDYs."

Walida is currently living in the U.S. until Bishop completes his tour at Kunsan Air Base. Following his tour, they will continue on to Bishop's dream location, Kadena Air Base, Japan. But he's not letting his time at Kunsan go to waste.

"I love to help people. I want to keep developing the professional development here and help people get to the next level in life personally or professionally," said Bishop.

He's started a run club at Kunsan to help those who love to run or want to improve fitness.

"The gym is my utopia," said Bishop. "My wife jokes that I love the gym more than her. The gym allows me to let go. Sometimes, I can go for a 45 minute workout and then it quickly turns into a 2 hour workout. I'm just out there appreciating life and admiring the scenery."

Bishop's love for running led him to train for Air Force half-marathon last year where he also

competed in the Fly, Fight and Win Challenge. The challenge consists of a 5-kilometer race the first day and then the second day consisted of a 10-kilometer race and then immediately into a half-marathon race.

"I was pretty spent but it was an amazing opportunity," Bishop said. "I was able to run with Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. David Goldfein. I actually got third place in the military challenge for the half-marathon."

I placed between the top five and top ten for the 5K and the 10K. I've run over 100 different races over the past three years, averaging 1,000 miles ran per year."

His work ethic has pushed him harder and farther in his personal and professional life. This includes training for full marathons or to become a master resiliency trainer or first sergeant.

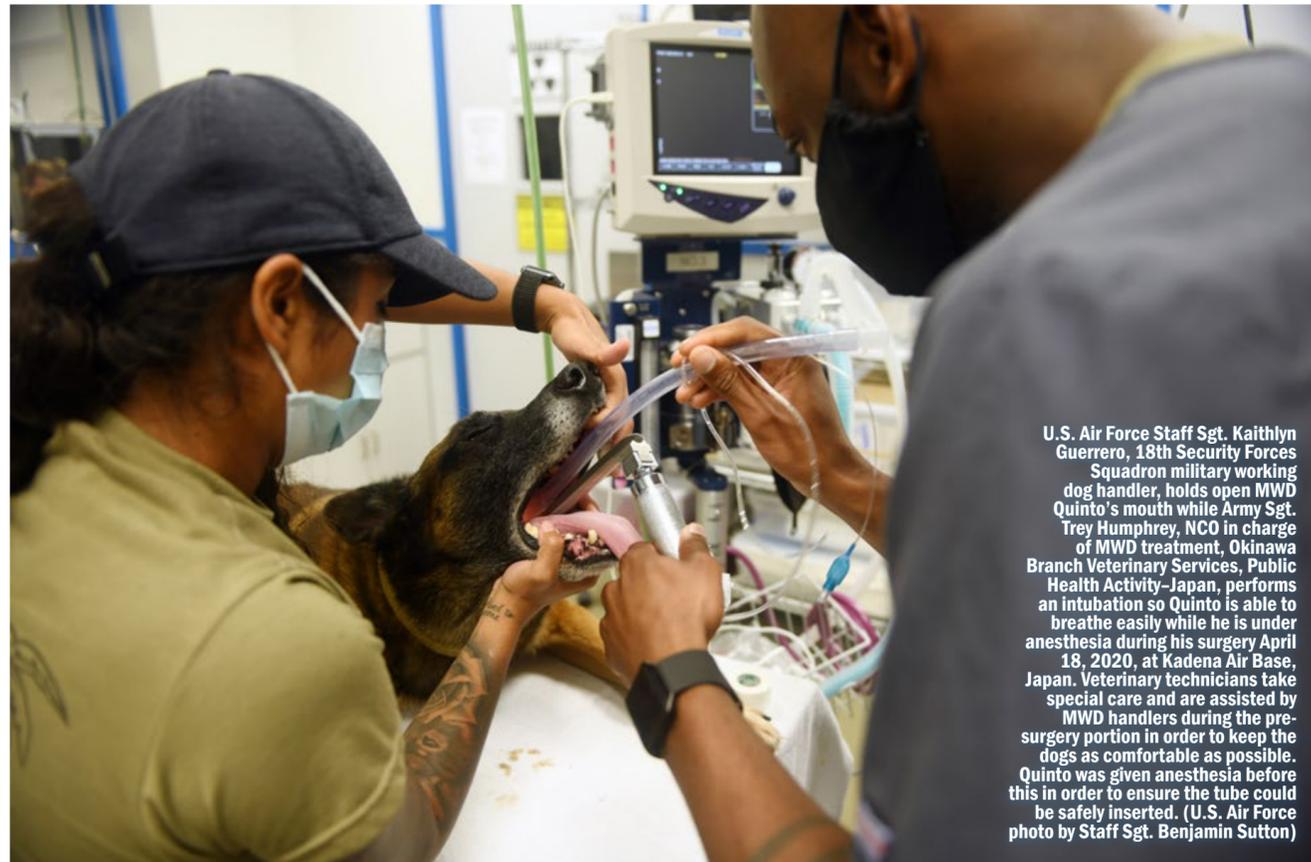
"He's an inspirational leader, not only for vehicle maintenance but for Kunsan," declared Senior Master Sgt. Dudley Watson, 8th LRS vehicle maintenance flight chief. "He helps people in and out of the squadron. He brings a lot to the table and I think our Airmen are going to leave Kunsan being better for having met Bishop."

Bishop says he believes that you cannot live life to the fullest without pushing your limits and going outside your comfort zone.

"My work ethic is nonstop," declared Bishop. "I don't believe in any free handouts. I believe you have to work hard to be where you want to be."

His work ethic has helped him grow from a young man working odd jobs to becoming a successful Airman.

"I absolutely appreciate life right now. I wouldn't be who I am today with this success without the struggle," Bishop exclaimed.



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kaithlyn Guerrero, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, holds open MWD Quinto's mouth while Army Sgt. Trey Humphrey, NCO in charge of MWD treatment, Okinawa Branch Veterinary Services, Public Health Activity-Japan, performs an intubation so Quinto is able to breathe easily while he is under anesthesia during his surgery April 18, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Veterinary technicians take special care and are assisted by MWD handlers during the pre-surgery portion in order to keep the dogs as comfortable as possible. Quinto was given anesthesia before this in order to ensure the tube could be safely inserted. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

# Air Force, Army work together to save a life

By Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton  
18th Wing Public Affairs

**KADENA AIR BASE, Japan --** Despite the challenges COVID-19 has caused across the globe, U.S. military members from the Republic of Korea and Japan came together to ensure a valued team member received the life-saving surgery he required.

Service members from the Air Force and Army worked together ensuring this member was able to have his surgery as soon as possible. The service member's name ... Military Working Dog Quinto.

Back in April, following a routine dental exam and cleaning under anesthesia, MWD Quinto's veterinarian, Army Capt. John Brandsma, 106th Medical Detachment Veterinary Service Support, was informed that Quinto started vomiting, was lethargic, and had a poor appetite in the days following the procedure.

"We performed a physical exam, baseline bloodwork, and urinalysis on Quinto and the results caused concerns for his urinary system

and kidneys," Brandsma said. "After addressing the dehydration we pursued further diagnostics including abdominal x-rays and ultrasound. While performing the ultrasound, a large mass was identified at the neck of the urinary bladder (where the bladder transitions into the urethra)."

According to Brandsma, the most common urinary bladder tumor in canines are transitional cell carcinomas, which are typically an aggressive cancer with high metastatic potential and a poor prognosis.

"The next step required sampling cells of the tumor," he continued.

Coordination with Seoul National University Veterinary College allowed the veterinarians the ability to obtain these samples and quickly get results.

"We have recently implemented formal agreements with the University's Veterinary College near U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys," said Army Maj. Christopher Corrie, director of clinical operations for the 106th MED DET VSS.

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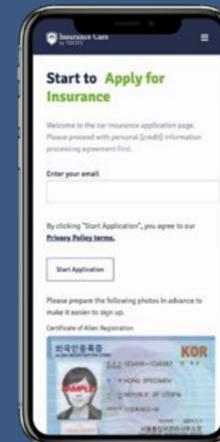


U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Logan McKenna, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog trainer, holds MWD Quinto during a pre-surgery examination by Army Maj. Shane Andrews, Chief, Okinawa Branch Veterinary Services, Public Health Activity-Japan, April 15, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. MWD Quinto was brought to the Okinawa Veterinary Activity for surgery to remove a mass inside his bladder, which is a potentially life-threatening problem. During his examination, MWD Quinto had his vitals checked as well as an ultrasound. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

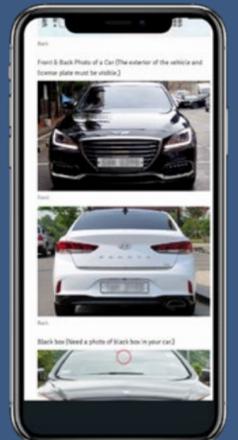
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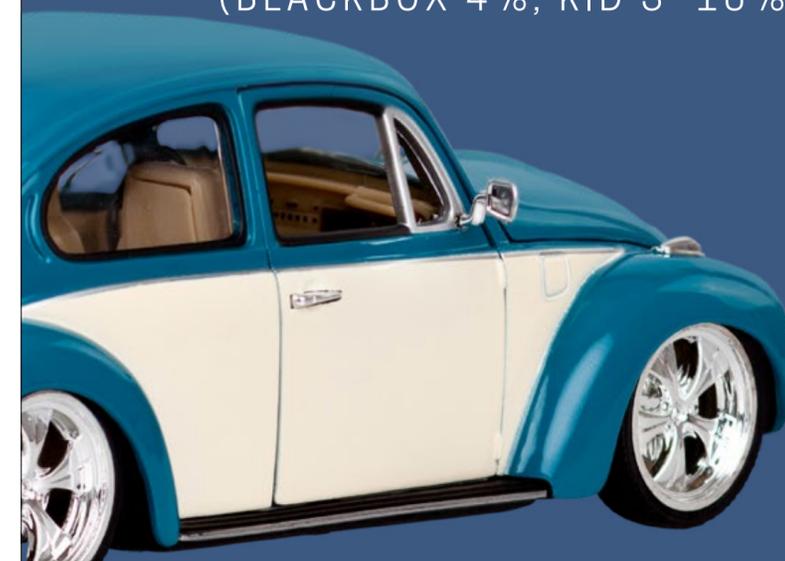
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# Misawa Air Base demonstrates combat readiness in first joint, bilateral Elephant Walk

By Capt. Lauren Linscott  
5th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan -- Members of the 35th Fighter Wing completed a readiness exercise, designed to validate the wing's ability to rapidly generate combat airpower at Misawa AB, June 23. The exercise culminated in a joint and bilateral "Elephant Walk" formation composed of 31 aircraft, demonstrating the large-scale combat airpower local to Misawa.

"The goal of this exercise was to execute a short notice, agile combat execution-style deployment and generation," said Maj. Brannan Studley, 35th Fighter Wing director of wing inspections. "We learned a lot, refined our training, and demonstrated we're ready to fight, which is even more critical in the middle of COVID-19 operations." This exercise and demonstration touched on all five of the Air Force core missions: Air and Space Superiority, Global Strike, Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance, Rapid Global Mobility, and Command and Control.

After the conclusion of the generation portion of the exercise, 12 newly-configured F-16s took to the runway, along with 12



U.S. Air Force Col Kristopher Struve, left, 35th Fighter Wing commander, and Koku-Jieitai Maj. Gen. Takahiro Kubota, 3rd Air Wing commander, shake hands in front of aircraft participating in an "Elephant Walk" at Misawa Air Base, June 22, 2020. Twelve U.S. Air Force F-16CM Fighting Falcons, 12 Koku-Jieitai F-35A Lightning II Joint Strike Fighters, two U.S. Navy EA-18G Growlers, a USN C-12 Huron, two USAF MC-130J Commando II aircraft, and a USN P-8 Poseidon participated in the Elephant Walk, which showcased Misawa Air Base's collective readiness and ability to generate combat airpower at a moment's notice to ensure regional stability throughout the Indo-Pacific. This is Misawa Air Base's first time hosting a bilateral and joint Elephant Walk. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Timothy Moore)



U.S. Air Force, U.S. Navy and Japanese Air Self-Defense Force pilots attend a brief in preparation for an "Elephant Walk" at Misawa Air Base, Japan, June 22, 2020. The Elephant Walk showcased Misawa Air Base's collective readiness and ability to generate combat airpower at a moment's notice to ensure regional stability throughout the Indo-Pacific. This is Misawa Air Base's first time hosting a bilateral and joint Elephant Walk. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman First Class China Shock)

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"You can actually see the earth's shadow visibly move across the earth and divide the night from the day," said Capt. Kalen Judah, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron U-2 pilot. "The thought of how lucky I am to be a part of a relatively small amount of human beings that have looked at the Earth from that perspective is one of my favorite things."

Even after 2,000 hours from well above the surface of the Earth, Georgescu isn't ready to give up his fight with the dragon or dance with the lady.

"I absolutely plan on adding more hours," said Georgescu. "Neither I nor the U-2 have any plans of retiring."



Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron commander and U-2 command pilot, gets sprayed with water by his two youngest daughters in recognition of his 2,000th hour flight achievement at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 17, 2020. This mission solidifies Georgescu's 2,000 flying hours spent with the U-2 since 2013. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Bugenig) ▲



Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron commander and U-2 command pilot, descends for a landing at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 17, 2020. This flight solidifies Georgescu's 2,000 flying hours spent with the U-2 since 2013. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Bugenig) ▲

Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron commander and U-2 command pilot, taxis in with his oldest daughter guiding him in at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 17, 2020. This mission solidifies Georgescu's 2,000 flying hours spent with the U-2 since 2013. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Bugenig) ►





Military working dog Quinto pants happily two days after surgery April 20, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Quinto and his MWD trainer, U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Akeem Smith came to KAB from Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, for the urgent surgery. Back in April, following a routine dental exam and cleaning under anesthesia, MWD Quinto's veterinarian was informed that Quinto started vomiting, was lethargic, and had a poor appetite in the days following the procedure. The veterinarian brought him back in and found a large mass attached at the neck of the urinary bladder (where the bladder transitions into the urethra). He was sent to Okinawa for surgery shortly after the diagnosis. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

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"They provided advanced care and imaging for us within 24 hours, which was outstanding. Quinto's results returned as benign, or not cancerous, it was a huge relief."

From there Corrie contacted Army Maj. Shane Andrews, Chief, Okinawa Branch Veterinary Services, Public Health Activity-Japan, Kadena Air Base, and began the process to move MWD Quinto to Kadena AB for the necessary surgical procedure.

The 8th Security Forces Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, ROK, to whom MWD Quinto is assigned, secured transportation of Quinto and his MWD trainer, Staff Sgt. Akeem Smith to Kadena AB.

"The Osan Air Base medical team and air terminal operations center helped with coordination of flight time as well as reviewing orders to ensure all details were in place for the mission," Brandsma said. "Additionally, they helped ensure we had all the medical and flight information correct once we secured the air medevac."

Once it was determined surgery to remove the bladder mass would benefit MWD Quinto and prevent further urinary obstruction, plans were made to have him and the handler aeromedical evacuated to the Okinawa Veterinary Activity on Kadena AB.

"A urinary obstruction is a life-threatening emergency and requires

immediate attention," Andrews said. "Our facility is considered the referral hospital for MWDs within the Pacific theater so when one has a condition that requires emergency care and/or advanced surgery, and the local VCO (Veterinary Corps officer) doesn't have those capabilities, the military working dog will get sent to us."

With MWD Quinto finally on Okinawa, veterinarians began preparing their patient for his surgical procedure.

"The surgery was performed by

carefully dissecting out the mass from the bladder wall, being careful to preserve other vital structures," Andrews explained. "It went very well and the mass was successfully removed. Afterward, a urinary catheter was placed and Quinto was monitored for several days by our staff here during his recovery."

This type of mission, even during COVID-19, emphasizes the importance MWDs have on mission effectiveness along with the importance of the handlers and kennel teams who train the dogs.

"Meeting mission requirements during COVID-19 has been a challenge however, our highest priority is providing medical care of military working dogs," Andrews stated. "The reason great lengths were taken to get him to Okinawa is because MWDs are considered Soldiers and are highly respected members of the Armed Forces. They are regarded as force protection multipliers and are an invaluable asset to our nation's defense. They play a huge role in providing security, patrol, detection, and other



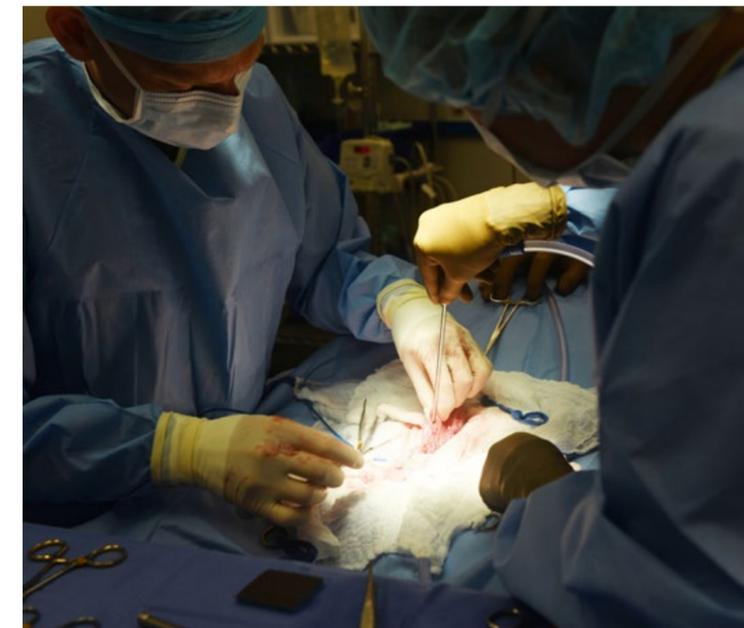
Yurika Hatamochi, Okinawa Veterinary Service veterinary anesthesiology technician, shaves the underside area of military working dog Quinto in preparation for surgery April 18, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Shaving the fur away from areas where surgical procedures will occur is important in order to prevent contamination and eliminate bacteria that cling to the fur. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kaithlyn Guerrero, 18th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, comforts MWD Quinto after he was given medicine to sedate him for his surgery April 18, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Military working dogs are required to fast 12 hours prior to surgery. Quinto was having surgery to remove a large mass near the neck of his urinary bladder where the bladder transitions into the urethra. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)



A benign mass sits on the operating table after being removed from the bladder of military working dog Quinto April 18, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Veterinarians from both Japan and South Korea, along with military working dog handlers, staff from the Seoul National University Veterinary College and many other Airmen and Soldiers, worked together for nearly two months to get MWD Quinto to Okinawa for surgery, recovery and return home. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)



U.S. Army Maj. Shane Andrews, Chief, Okinawa Branch Veterinary Services, Public Health Activity-Japan, performs a surgical procedure to remove a large mass located inside the bladder of military working dog Quinto April 18, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. During the surgery, Andrews carefully cut through skin and muscle to eventually reach the bladder. He then identified the mass and removed as much of it as possible. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)

missions vital to keep us safe."

After his surgery, MWD Quinto required various daily medications to ensure a complete recovery.

"I requested assistance from the Kadena Air Base 18th Medical Group pharmacist to acquire an essential medication for Quinto that our facility did not have in stock," said Army Capt. Rachel Reiter, Okinawa Veterinary Services MWD officer in charge, PHA-J. "The pharmacist was able to compound the medication ensuring Quinto received an appropriate dose for a canine."

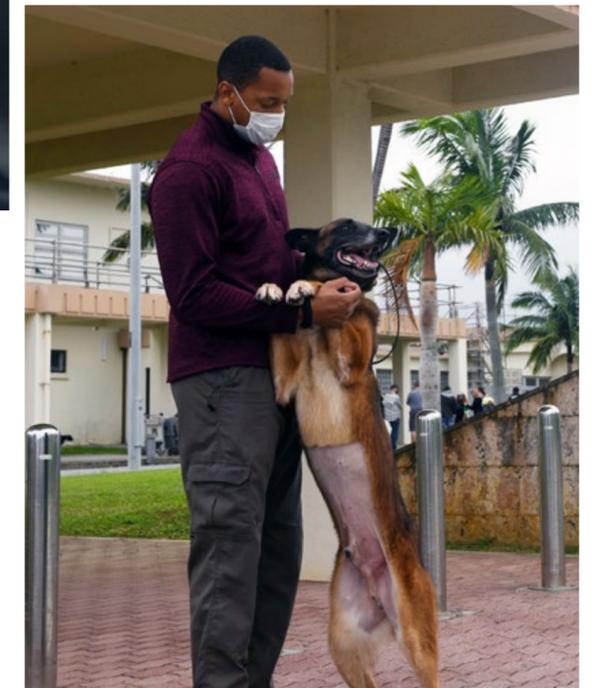
After a few weeks, Quinto recovered with help from the medical and working dog teams. It was finally time for him and his handler to head back home.

"We worked with Staff Sgt. Smith and Quinto from the moment they arrived and once the surgery was complete, we got to work getting everything ready for their departure," said Air Force Tech. Sgt. Matthew Helma, 18th Security Forces Squadron, NCO in charge of the MWD section. "It was great to watch Quinto moving around and regaining his strength. As the military working dog

section on Kadena we are the caretakers for any Air Force MWD team who come here for support. My team and I made sure to set up a safe restriction of movement location with all basic needs both human and canine would need, provided food and water for them, and ensured all transportation for appointments as well as their flight back to Korea was within all the COVID-19 guidelines for safety."

According to Helma, international aeromedical evacuation flights are tricky to coordinate in the present time, however, service members from South Korea and Japan came together to ensure one of our own got the care he needed.

"The restrictions, burdens, and roadblocks COVID-19 has placed in the way of our mission to provide exceptional care for our two- and four-legged warfighters takes teamwork to overcome," Corrie said. "This situation is a perfect example of the U.S. Army and Air Force as well as a South Korean National Veterinary University, working side-by-side to provide life-saving care for one of our most important total force multipliers: military working dogs."



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Akeem Smith, military working dog trainer from Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, holds up MWD Quinto before departing April 31, 2020, at Kadena Air Base, Japan. Smith and Quinto spent more than two weeks on KAB while Quinto had surgery to remove a large mass attached at the neck of his urinary bladder. Members of the 18th Security Forces Squadron MWD section acted as caretakers while they were in a Restriction of Movement status. The Kadena MWD section additionally provided food and water for them as well as ensuring all transportation for appointments and assisting with the logistics for their flight back to South Korea was within all the COVID-19 guidelines for safety. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Benjamin Sutton)



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DAYTON, Ohio -- Lockheed F-80C at the National Museum of the United States Air Force. (U.S. Air Force photo)



# Finding Family History through Service

By Tech. Sgt. Matt Davis, 51 Fighter Wing

**OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- Every Airman has a different experience during their tour in the Republic of Korea. Many see the assignment as a hardship and others find the opportunity to make great memories.

However you see the assignment, there is a strong military history that is part of a long standing heritage of Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines. Some are more directly connected to that heritage than they ever thought...

Many members of my family have served in the military through the years, and some have even served in the Republic of Korea and fought in the Korean War. I knew my granddaddy, Rutherford Kimbrough, completed a tour in Korea with the Army during his time, but I had no idea how much of my family had fought and died alongside the South Koreans.

I found myself checking out the artwork and memorabilia in the main atrium of the 51st Fighter Wing Headquarters building, and I noticed a list of pilot's names that were KIA/MIA during the Korean War and one kind of stood out from the rest -- 2nd Lt. William R. Kimbro -- a pilot from the 25th Fighter Interceptor Squadron pilot from Chattanooga, Tennessee, was one of the Airmen who was killed during the conflict.

Seeing that my the majority of my family is from that area of Tennessee, I messaged my mom just to see if we were related to him at all, even though the spelling was different.

It turns out he is my granddaddy's cousin, and they were both serving in the conflict in different branches.

I began to dig deeper to find out as much information as I could about my relative.

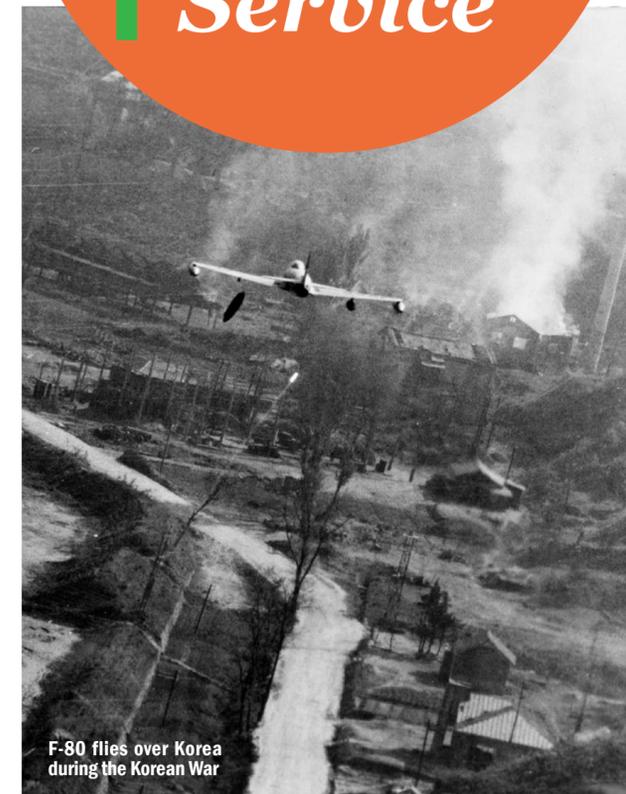
The 51st Fighter Wing and 7th Air Force Historians and the 25th Fighter Squadron were able to track down the details on exactly what happened to 2nd Lt. Kimbro from the 51st Fighter Interceptor Wing. We eventually tracked down that he had been hit by anti-aircraft fire over Sinuiju Airfield, North Korea, on Dec. 12, 1950 and was considered missing in action after his F-80C Shooting Star spun in with no egress or parachute observed.

I couldn't believe that one of my relatives was not only a fellow Airman, but one who served with the wing I'm assigned to in Korea. I could not wait to share the details with my family back home, especially my mom. Since learning about 2nd Lt. Kimbro, I started to have a new outlook on my assignment to Osan.

I take great pride in knowing that members of my family helped protect the 51 million people that we still protect today. I'm extremely honored to be a part of my family's legacy, and I can't wait to learn even more about their service.

If you have family members who have served or you'd like to learn more about those Killed in Action or Missing in Action, here are a few helpful links:

- Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency
- National Archives



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Summertime should be a time of fun and making happy memories. Summertime, however, also brings fires and injuries due to fireworks and outdoor grills. According to the United States Fire Administration, almost 3,800 Americans are injured by gas or charcoal grill fires annually. Knowing a few fire safety tips and following safety instructions will help everyone have a safe summer.

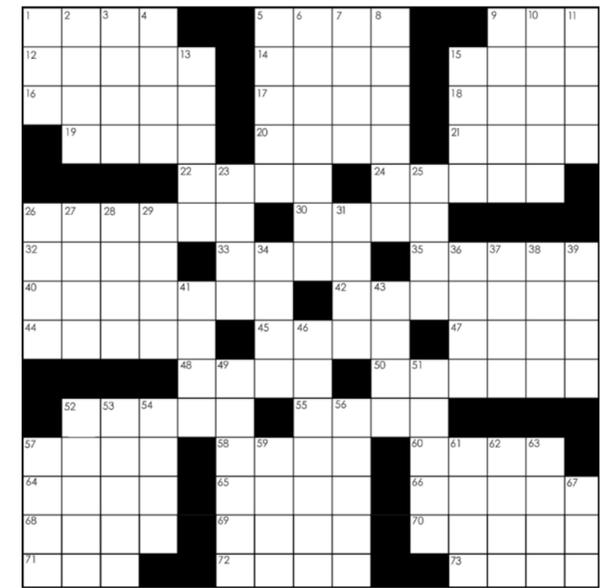


### Barbecue Safety

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  - Dispose of hot coals properly - douse them with plenty of water, and stir them to ensure that the fire is out. Never place them in plastic, paper or wooden containers.
  - Never grill/barbecue in enclosed areas - carbon monoxide could be produced.
  - If the flame goes out on a propane grill, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least 15 minutes before re-lighting it.
- Open fires are not permitted unless approved by the Fire Emergency Services Flight. Barbecue grills will not be used within 15 feet of a building or 50 feet from an aircraft or flammable storage. DO NOT dispose hot coals in garbage chute or trash cans. Any questions, feel free to contact Fire Prevention Office at 784-4835/4710.

## The Crossword

By Jon Dunbar



### ACROSS

- 1 Rotate
- 5 Former TV station here
- 9 New TV feature
- 12 The game is \_\_\_\_
- 14 \_\_\_\_ Lisa
- 15 Make a hole
- 16 Painter Hieronymus
- 17 Cuts
- 18 Type of exam
- 19 Former Queens stadium
- 20 "\_\_\_\_ All That"
- 21 Offbeat
- 22 As well
- 24 Buenos \_\_\_\_
- 26 Do more than necessary
- 30 Opposite of quiet
- 32 Downtown Seoul art museum
- 33 Taiwanese computer company
- 35 "Wonderwall" band
- 40 Korean martial art
- 42 Korean meat dish
- 44 Sigourney Weaver movie
- 45 Gordon Ramsay's beer
- 47 Tesla's Musk
- 48 Chairlift alternative
- 50 Goes with marching or doctor's
- 52 Andong's maskdance village
- 55 Hedwig and the Angry \_\_\_\_
- 57 Superman enemy
- 58 Opposite of well-done
- 60 Goes with Triangle or Butterfly
- 64 Microscopic particle
- 65 Russian king
- 66 Korean gaming company
- 68 Unimportant
- 69 Back part, especially legs
- 70 Phantom of the \_\_\_\_
- 71 Popular sandwich
- 72 Dips
- 73 Biblical masturbator

### DOWN

- 1 Caps lock neighbor
- 2 Flying saucers
- 3 \_\_\_\_ Hashanah
- 4 Philosopher Augusto Del
- 5 Gather
- 6 Dugout
- 7 Leg joint
- 8 Bahamas capital
- 9 Genghis Khan's Golden \_\_\_\_
- 10 Pull along the ground
- 11 Depend on
- 13 Anti-missile shield
- 23 PC opposite of save
- 25 K-pop band member
- 26 Labor safety agency
- 27 Baby cow
- 28 Japanese punk band
- 29 Tool for removing leaves
- 31 Spheres
- 34 \_\_\_\_-Cola
- 36 Elderly
- 37 Only
- 38 Frankenstein's assistant
- 39 Seven Deadly \_\_\_\_
- 41 Come \_\_\_\_ existence
- 43 American Olympic committee
- 46 Korea's top folk song
- 49 Beds on a ship
- 51 Horned mammal
- 52 Ramada or Four Seasons
- 53 Cancel
- 54 "\_\_\_\_ on the range"
- 56 Geeks
- 57 Mutton
- 59 Largest continent
- 60 Emilio Estevez movie "\_\_\_\_ Man"
- 61 Steers
- 62 Retired Rear Admiral Tyson
- 67 Grandma, in UK

### Answers to Previous Crossword

- |            |              |            |              |            |
|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| ACROSS     | 25 EDIT      | 59 AOA     | 6 BULLDOZED  | 39 INA     |
| 1 ACT      | 26 SDI       | 60 AIRBASE | 7 PAGET      | 41 CPU     |
| 4 LIB      | 29 FRET      | 63 TOW     | 8 USER       | 42 OHM     |
| 7 PUB      | 30 LOT       | 65 BIT     | 9 BONG       | 43 MAP     |
| 10 VMA     | 31 SMOKED    | 67 SPECIAL | 10 VIM       | 44 EVIL    |
| 13 CAA     | 34 TYKES     | 68 EPA     | 11 MAE       | 46 NANOBOT |
| 14 ISU     | 36 ZEPPELINS | 69 ONE     | 12 ALS       | 47 ORDAINS |
| 15 SOCIAL  | 38 ELIE      | 70 ASO     | 16 COY       | 48 KEY     |
| 17 EVE     | 40 EASY      | 71 NNE     | 21 ESTEEMS   | 51 PSYOPS  |
| 18 URL     | 41           | 72 RSS     | 23 LITE      | 54 ADELE   |
| 19 GENOMES | 45 AMNOK     | 73 TSA     | 24 AFT       | 56 BBC     |
| 20 ABE     | 49 PHASMA    |            | 26 SKI       | 57 RAIN    |
| 22 ALLERGY | 50 VIP       | DOWN       | 27 DEN       | 58 ASAN    |
| 24 ALAS    | 52 PARE      | 1 ACE      | 28 IDS       | 60 ASA     |
|            | 53 UMP       | 2 CAVALRY  | 31 SPA       | 61 IPS     |
|            | 54 AIMS      | 3 TAEBAEK  | 32 MESA      | 62 RPO     |
|            | 55 INDY      | 4 LIU      | 33 OLYMPIA   | 64 WAS     |
|            | 56 BRADLEY   | 5 ISRAEL   | 35 SLAM      | 66 TEA     |
|            |              |            | 37 PERIMETER |            |

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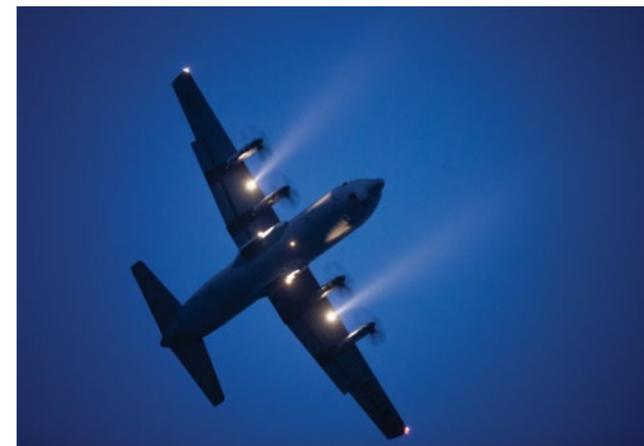


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**A**irmen march on the base perimeter at Schriever Air Force Base, Colo., May 28, 2020, during their substitute Bataan Memorial Death March. Airmen on Schriever AFB decided to host their own march on base after the original annual event held at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., was cancelled due to COVID-19. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Jonathan Whitely) ▲

**I**nstructors and trainees with the 322nd Training Squadron conduct an Air Force basic military training graduation and coining ceremony June 4, 2020, at the Pfingston Reception Center on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, graduation ceremonies are closed to the public until further notice to ensure safety and security of the Airmen and their family members. (U.S. Air Force photo by Johnny Saldivar) ◀



**AC**-130J Super Hercules approaches the runway at Yokota Air Base, Japan, June 4, 2020. All inbound and outbound aircraft maintain communications with Yokota AB's air traffic controllers, ensuring a safe operating environment. (U.S. Air Force photo by Yasuo Osakabe) ▲

**S**taff Sgt. Alex Comfer, 914th Maintenance Squadron hydraulics technician, prepares to remove the bolt that holds the boom arm in place on a KC-135R Stratotanker aircraft at Niagara Falls Air Reserve Station, N.Y., June 5, 2020. Maintainers are required to perform extensive periodic inspections on all aircraft, which can last for several weeks. (U.S. Air Force photo by Peter Borys) ◀

**M**aster Sgt. Michael Guerra, 71st Rescue Squadron loadmaster, hugs his daughter, Cassie, June 11, 2020, at Moody Air Force Base, Ga., upon returning from a deployment in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. The 71st RQS provides deployable personnel recovery forces to theater commanders for contingency and crisis-response operations worldwide. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Erick Requadt) ▶

**M**ay 21, 2020. The 28th EARS, deployed with U.S. Air Forces Central Command, is responsible for delivering fuel to U.S. and coalition forces providing air power, deterrence and stability to the region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Joshua L. DeMotts) ▼



**An** F-16 Fighting Falcon assigned to the Ohio National Guard's 180th Fighter Wing takes off from Toledo Air National Guard Base, Ohio, for a nighttime-training mission June 16, 2020. The 180th FW's mission is to provide effective combat power and defense to support civil authorities, while developing Airmen. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Beth Holliker) ▶

**A**irmen assigned to the 347th Rescue Group drop flares from an HH-60G Pave Hawk during a fini flight for Col. Bryan Creel, 347th RQG commander at Moody Air Force Base, Ga., June 5, 2020. The fini flight is a long-standing Air Force tradition that occurs when a pilot departs from an assigned unit. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Hayden Legg) ▼



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### - SPONSOR TRAINING -

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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.

### - ROKAF ENGLISH CLASS -

## Osan

### AIRMEN HELPING AIRMEN, QUARANTINE DORM DONATIONS:

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### 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](mailto:thriftshopmanager@teamosansc.com) for more information.

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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 (MITA) 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 MITA, please contact the Osan Education Center at 784-4220.

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### OSAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAREER DAY:

Osan Elementary School needs your help to conduct our Annual Career Day Event. Volunteers will provide presentation on their specific career field to OES students.

### DOWN RANGE DEPLOYMENT DONATIONS:

Red Cross is unpacking 5 pallets of items to send around Korea & downrange. We need your help unpacking, sorting, repacking. [https://volunteerconnection.redcross.org/?nd=vms\\_public\\_form&form\\_id=7469](https://volunteerconnection.redcross.org/?nd=vms_public_form&form_id=7469)

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### DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION TRAIN THE TRAINER:

The Diversity and Inclusion Council will be offering a Train the Trainer course to teach facilitators how to conduct training on diversity and inclusion. The course covers what diversity and inclusion is, unconscious biases, navigating difficult conversations and equipping people to be agents of change. There are no rank requirements for this course and it is open to civilians.

### {DEV}OSAN: {dev}Osan is a group of

innovative people passionate about programming, 3D printing, and problem solving through technology. Over the past couple of years, they've had a significant positive impact on the base, and they're always looking for new people to join. If you're interested in getting involved, please contact TSgt Will Duncan at [william.duncan.4@us.af.mil](mailto:william.duncan.4@us.af.mil) or 784-0929.

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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
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Base Locator: (after duty hours)	784-4597	Emergency Leave	784-7000
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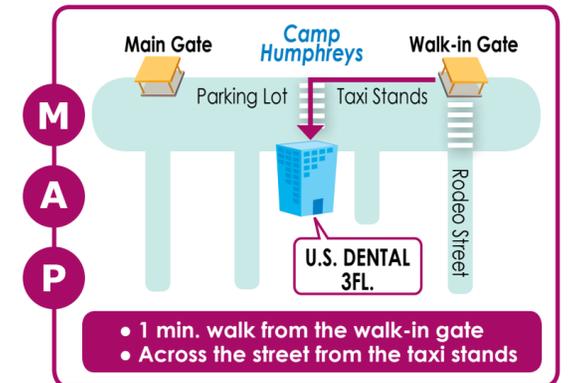


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Visitors play video games in individual pods at the Downtown Recreation Center. The center also hosts recurring video game tournaments, which are held at the main DRC video game station. The DRC is located behind the commissary, and it is open daily from 11 a.m. — 8 p.m. (George Park, USAG Humphreys Public Affairs intern)

# Humphreys recreation centers welcome all

By James Myers

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea -- CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea —The U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation offers two recreation centers to enhance the quality of life for the Humphreys community.

The Downtown Recreation Center (DRC) and the Community Activity Center (CAC) are open to all active duty service members and their families; retirees; Department of Defense, Nonappropriated Fund, and General Service employees; the Korean Augmentation To the United States Army; Korean nationals; and all contractors that work on Camp Humphreys.

All children are welcome to use the facilities. However, there are age restrictions: children 15 years old and younger must be accompanied by an adult; those 10 years and older must present a dependent ID card; and those 16 years and older can use the facilities unaccompanied.



The DRC also offers small group activities, including a pool table, table tennis, foosball, and various board games, such as an extra-large game of checkers or chess. Further, it has a collection of music rooms, which contain pianos, percussion sets, guitars, and karaoke equipment.

Other patrons must have a garrison or U.S. government issued ID card to check out or rent equipment in the facilities.

Not only do these centers offer multiple services to stay active and socialize, they also ensure that all visitors can enjoy a safe and clean environment. A team of dedicated staff practices enhanced sterilization procedures, sanitizing

all equipment three times a day and between each individual use. They also provide liquid hand sanitizers and sterilizing wipes at all stations for individuals to use at their own discretion.

“We have prioritized a proactive approach to keep these services available,” said Marcus Washington, Humphreys Recreation Branch chief. “It is

important to us to remain open and provide a safe place for our community.”

With these heightened hygiene measures in place, visitors can enjoy regularly scheduled programming, which includes a wide array of board, card, and role playing games. For the more digitally inclined, there are recurring video game tournaments

at the main DRC video game station.

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“At the Downtown Recreation Center, our objective is to lack nothing in our programming,” said Washington. “Our goal is to turn this facility into the model recreation center for everyone in the U.S. Army to emulate.”

Washington also explained his vision for expansion, which includes a recording studio in the music hall and a large kitchen for

cooking classes and competitions. The DRC is located behind the commissary, and it is open daily from 11 a.m. — 8 p.m.

Another opportunity to engage in physical activities is the Community Activity Center, located in Bldg. S-110, a short walk from the Humphreys Army Lodging. It is a smaller center, but the location is ideal for in- and out-

processing service members and families. To relieve stress, visitors can rent a bike to ride around the post perimeter or play video games at one of the provided stations.

Pending repairs, they can also take advantage of the six-lane lap pool. The CAC is closed on Wednesday. It is open from 9 a.m. — 5 p.m. on weekdays and from 10 a.m. — 7 p.m. on weekends.

# Humphreys wins Army lodging operations award

By Maria Gallegos

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea -- U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Army Lodging was recently awarded the 2019 Army Lodging Operation of the Year Award.

This marks their third consecutive win in the competition.

“Congratulations on winning the Army Lodging Operation of the Year award for the third year in a row,” said Henry Paul Stuart, the USAG Humphreys deputy to the garrison commander. “This is a tremendous accomplishment for the team, which has seen such challenges.”

The annual award, sponsored by the Installation Management Command G9 Hospitality Program/Army Lodging, evaluates nominations from Europe and the Pacific to recognize and award excellence in Army Lodging operations and personnel.

Each lodging operation is categorized by its size and evaluated with the current Army Lodging standards for service, operations, and facilities. The LOYA winners are presented with plaques to be displayed in their facilities, and receive cash awards for lodging improvements. Employees of the winning operation also receive cash awards and LOYA pins.

The individual winners within each category were selected for their exceptional performance of duty, specific accomplishments, and outstanding service. They each will receive a Civilian Service Commendation Medal, a special act award, and a trophy.

Lodging Operation of the Year:  
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**OUT OF MANY, ONE**



**By Colonel Chris LaPack  
Command Chaplain,  
Pacific Air Forces**

There is only one official motto of the United States of America, "In God we trust". In 1956, Congress forwarded a Joint Resolution to President Eisenhower for his signature which led to the passage of a law making this phrase the national motto. These words speak to the national conscience and historical significance of faith and religion in both the public

and private lives of Americans. A different "unofficial" motto established in 1782 adorns the "Great Seal of the United States." This traditional motto is "E Pluribus Unum" which means "Out of many, one." It was first suggested for usage by a congressional committee made up of Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams after the Declaration of Independence was ratified on July 4, 1776.

This Declaration by America's Founders birthed a new, independent and self-governed nation - the very first of its kind in the world. The opening assertion in the Declaration is "All men are created equal [and] are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights." These rights are gifted to mankind, not by governments, kings or rulers, but by the "Laws of Nature and of Nature's God." The appeal for freedom and independence is to "the Supreme Judge of the world." Understanding the American experiment would only be successful if citizens worked together, the Founders concluded this document of freedom with the

words, "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

America's success, therefore, relies on an ability to embrace the phrase emblazoned across the banner firmly held in the beak of the bald eagle on its Great Seal. While "E Pluribus Unum" historically is a reference to the thirteen original colonies becoming one nation of states, today, the motto speaks to the unity in diversity amongst all Americans.

Many pontificate about what it means to be truly "American." What unites us? For me, that question can only be answered by reviewing the founding principles that originally defined us. Though people may aspire to these principles, they often fail to embody or apply them equally since humankind is fallen by nature. Yet, the ideals themselves are noble and life-giving. The pursuit of the Founders' vision can still unite all Americans: (1) America is a place where unalienable rights apply equally to all--these rights are

endowed to us by our Creator (2) America is a place of liberty and self-governance--this requires a people committed to high moral values and character (3) America is a place God can be publicly acknowledged and where freedom of religion reigns--the Founders had a firm reliance on God's providence, and finally, (4) America cannot "work" unless Americans also pledge to one another, "our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

And that's the real kicker - "America" doesn't happen simply because we are born or emigrate into it or even because we defend it. America happens only when we commit ourselves to one another and to the virtuous principles that unite us, no matter our background, ethnicity, politics, gender or religion. America happens when I pledge myself to you - to your liberty, your dignity and your success. And you pledge yourself to me. This is a sacred commitment. It began 244 years ago. It has united us in the past. And it is what will unite us into a better future. Out of many, one.

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**KUNSAN AIR BASE**

*Protestant Services*

**Gospel Service**

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**Contemporary Service**

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Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

*Catholic Services*

**Sunday Catholic Mass**

Sunday, 9:45 a.m.

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**Daily Mass and Reconciliation**

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*Other Worship Opportunities*

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*Catholic Mass*

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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

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*Other Faith Groups*

Earth-Based (Contact the Chapel)

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LDS Sunday, 1 p.m., Contact the Chapel

**Point of Contact:**

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South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

K-16 Chapel

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Sunday, 11 a.m.

South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702

**Gospel Service**

Sunday, 1 p.m.

South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702

**Pentecostal**

Sunday, 1:30 p.m.

Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597

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

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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.

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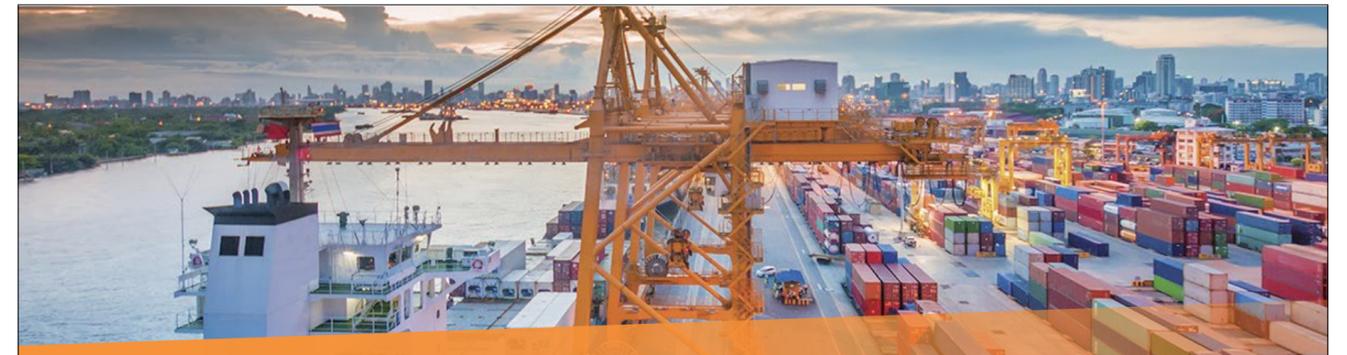


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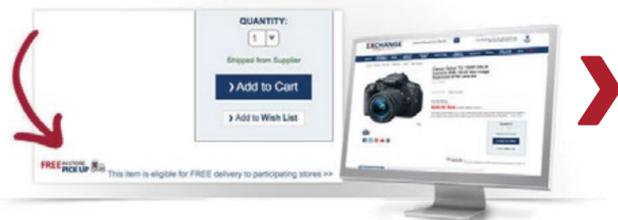
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Air War Over Korea with the 8th Fighter Bomber Wing and 51st Fighter Interceptor Wing

An F-16C Fighting Falcon (Viper) from the 36th Fighter Squadron seen wearing tail markings from their past and present to celebrate the squadron's 100th anniversary in 2017. The 36th Fighter Squadron served with the 8 FBW during the Korean War and today flies with the 51 FW stationed at Osan AB. (USAF Photo) ▼



Two of the most decorated USAF Wings to serve during the Korean War continue to serve on the Korean Peninsula today. The 8 FW currently stationed at Kunsan AB and the 51 FW here on Osan AB were heavily involved in combat over Korea during the War. Now separated by 135 kilometers, during the war the two Wings shared the same air base on multiple occasions. All four of our fighter squadrons currently operating today were battle-tested during the war, each with an amazing history unto themselves.

The 8 FBW was based at Itazuke, Japan, when the Korean War started on 25 June 1950. The Wing had at its disposal an inventory of North American F-82G Twin Mustangs, Lockheed F-80C Shooting Stars, and a few F-51D Mustangs. On 27 June 1950, the Wing's F-82G Twin Mustangs would be the first to earn an aerial victory over a North Korean aircraft; on the same day, an F-80C from the 35 Fighter Bomber Squadron was credited with a kill over a North Korean Il-10 attack aircraft. This was the first confirmed kill by a USAF jet aircraft in history. The Wing's fighter bomber group had three F-80C squadrons assigned (35, 36, and 80 FBS), two of which would be forced to transition to the F-51D Mustang as these aircraft could operate off rough air fields. The Wing's F-51 squadrons operated out of various airfields to include Suwon, Kimpo, and even Pyongyang, North Korea, as the war progressed. In December 1950 the squadrons were withdrawn back to Japan after Chinese forces intervened.

Enter the 51st

The 51st Fighter Interceptor Wing was stationed at Naha AB, Okinawa, when war broke out. The Wing received movement orders on 6 September 1950 to Itazuke, Japan, to work alongside the 8 FBW. The Wing's F-80s and T-33 Shooting Stars flew not just intercept missions but also interdiction and close air support missions from Japan. The Wing was alerted to move to Kimpo AB (K-14) in October 1950. On 1 November 1950 the air war changed with the introduction of the MiG-15. This aircraft had a distinct advantage over everything in the theater at that time. Regardless of its advantages, an F-80C pilot from the 51 FIW was credited with scoring an aerial victory over a MiG-15 on 8 Nov 1950 (Russian sources claim the aircraft was only damaged). The 51st was withdrawn to Japan as well due to the Chinese intervention. The Wing would move back to South Korea (Suwon) in May 1951 after UN forces had pushed the communist forces north. The biggest change for the Wing came in November 1951 when they began to transition from their F-80s to the North American F-86 Sabre.

The 51st Fighter Interceptor Wing racked up a number of kills vs the MiG-15 during the war, claiming 312 of the type. Thirteen Air Force pilots would earn the title of ace (destroying five or more aircraft in aerial combat) while flying with the 51 FIW. The 51st also had the highest scoring UN ace of the war, Capt Joseph McConnell with 16 kills. The only Marine Corps pilot to become an ace during the Korean War, Major John Bolt earned his kills flying F-86s while on exchange duty with the 51st (Bolt was also the Marine Corps only two-war ace as he had become an ace during WWII flying with VMF-214).



A Lockheed F-80C Shooting Star assigned to the 80 FBS, 8th Fighter Bomber Wing seen in the revetments at Suwon AB (K-13). The 80th operated the Shooting Star longer than any other Fighter Bomber Squadron in Korea, from the start of the war until May 1953 when the squadron transitioned to F-86 Sabres. (USAF Photo) ▲



Several North American F-86E Sabres from the 25th Fighter Interceptor Squadron being prepared for another mission from Suwon AB (K-13). The 51 FIW traded out their Lockheed F-80s for the F-86E Sabres. The F-86E or "Echo" model had improved flight controls to include an all-flying tail making it more maneuverable in a dogfight than the older F-86A. They would later receive F-86F with a larger wing and more powerful engine. (USAF Photo) ▲

# 8FW commander hosts group changes of command

U.S. Air Force Col. Christopher Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, Col. Marilyn Thomas, 8th Medical Group commander, Col. Jennifer Phelps, 8th Mission Support Group commander, Col. Daniel Cornelius, 8th Maintenance Group commander, Col. Lynn Savage, 8th Operations Group commander, pose for a photo during a combined change of command ceremony at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 12, 2020. The 8th FW consists of four groups, each responsible for carrying out the wing's maintenance, medical, support and operations functions, respectively. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▶



U.S. Air Force Col. Christopher Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander passes the guide-on to Col. Jennifer Phelps, 8th Mission Support Group commander, during a combined change of command ceremony at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 12, 2020. The 8th MSG consists of the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron, 8th Communications Squadron, 8th Force Support Squadron, 8th Security Forces Squadron and 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron serving the 8th FW and other tenants units. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▲



U.S. Air Force Col. Christopher Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, passes the guide-on to Col. Daniel Cornelius, 8th Maintenance Group commander, during a combined change of command ceremony at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 12, 2020. The 8th MXG provides maintenance on the F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft and provides munitions and maintenance operations support. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▼



U.S. Air Force Col. Christopher Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, passes the guide-on to Col. Lynn Savage, 8th Operations Group commander, during a combined change of command ceremony at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 12, 2020. The 8th OG provides for the aircrews who fly the wing's F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft and is comprised of the 35th Fighter Squadron, 80th Fighter Squadron and the 8th Operations Support Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▲



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# The Maxim Humphreys

The Maxim Humphreys, a U.S. military rental house and residential complex, is drawing attention towards Pyeongtaek as an excellent location for housing, scheduled for completion in early July 2020. The Maxim Humphreys is located 250 m (850 ft) away from Camp Humphreys' Main Gate and has direct access to Rodeo Street, a commercial area right outside the base. Rodeo Street is known as a major activities area, and the location is expected to expand itself into the next "Itaewon" for military personnel and civilians alike. Due to its location next to the Rodeo Street commercial district and the increasing demand for more military housing options, The Maxim Humphreys is expected to attract a fair amount of attention from U.S. military personnel.

The Maxim Humphreys stretches 14 stories tall with 5 additional stories below the ground, sports 204 apartment rooms, another 17 office spaces, and living facilities for

building residents, such as a fitness center and a parcel pick-up center. Apartments are built with a three-room structure, consisting of an area between 1000 and 1155 square-feet. Office spaces make up the first two floors of the building, each room with 1010 to 1160 square-feet of space.

The Maxim Humphreys' most prominent feature is its outstanding residential design, which includes spaces for home appliances that meet the standards for an American lifestyle. Such appliances include large washing machines, dryers, and both 110 V and 220 V power outlets -- all essential to meet the conditions of U.S. military personnel living in Korean homes. In addition to these appliances, 3 air conditioning units, a refrigerator, TV, dishwasher, water purifier, and gas range are included. In consideration of individual privacy, a special construction technique is applied to minimize drainage noise as well. Furthermore, the uppermost

floor of The Maxim Humphreys is designed to alleviate any difficulties that come with having a family of bigger size. Another noteworthy feature of The Maxim Humphreys is its community-building capabilities. We plan to create a communal area called the "Mediterranean Central Garden" on the rooftop where residents can enjoy barbecues and friendly get-togethers, reflecting the American style of social culture.

Professional investors believe that this large-scale project, The Maxim Humphreys, will result in Rodeo Street finally being recognized as the "second Itaewon" -- its prime location at the center of all activities will be important to the future value of this commercial district.

Development of The Maxim Humphreys is observed under the Korea Asset Trust and Pine Construction. Final completion of the building is scheduled between June and July 2020.

## Greetings from the CEO of The Maxim Humphreys

I am happy to know and serve you. The Maxim Humphreys' management team specializes in house leasing and management services in the entire Pyeongtaek area. Our goal is to listen to each client to determine their spoken and unspoken real estate needs in the most timely and professional Christian manner. We also provide service to protect military SM and foreign business personnel from abusive legal issues in Korea with help from a top lawyer.

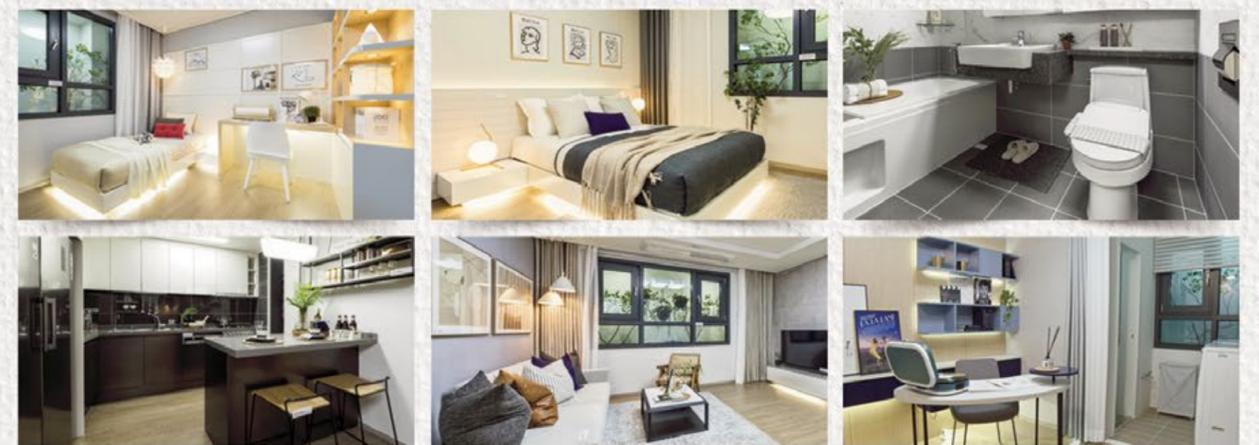
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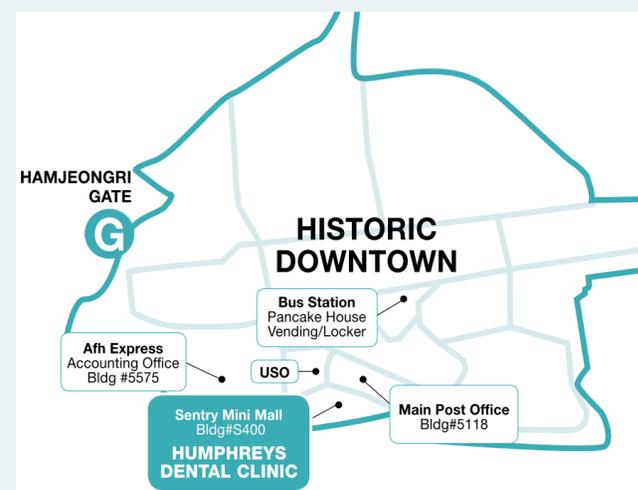
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## Most Popular Korean Attractions of 2019

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### ◀ No.1 • Gyeongbokgung Palace



Gyeongbokgung Palace was the main legal residence of the royal family during the Joseon dynasty. Carrying the meaning of "a place where the new king can enjoy prosperity of great blessings," this was the first palace built during the Joseon dynasty. The palace is unique for its layout of buildings over a vast area, and is the only palace to have all four major gates still remaining to this day.

Within the palace grounds, you can see a multitude of restored buildings. Visitors will enjoy looking at the variations among buildings, each serving a unique purpose. Of course, even before entering the palace, tourists enjoy gathering at Gwanghwamun Gate to watch the Royal Guard Changing Ceremony; be sure to time your visit to include this cultural performance in your tour. Gyeongbokgung Palace also offers special evening admissions occasionally, so don't miss the opportunity to enjoy the evening atmosphere at the palace grounds if your schedule allows.



### No.2 • Namsan Seoul Tower ▶

Seoul's landmark attraction is none other than Namsan Seoul Tower, located atop Namsan Mountain in the center of the city. The tower draws in visitors year-round, and is most famous for its nightscape view of the city. For hallyu fans, the tower is a must-visit attraction, having been featured in dramas like "My Love From the Star (2013)" and "Legend of the Blue Sea (2016)."

The tower features not only an observation deck, but also atmospheric cafés and restaurants among other facilities. Namsan Seoul Tower is a great place to spend an enjoyable evening with friends or loved ones while taking in the beautiful nightscape over a cup of coffee.



### ◀ No.3 • Bukchon Hanok Village

A representative attraction of Seoul, Bukchon Hanok Village shows the charm of Korea's traditional buildings. Previously being the neighborhood where relatives of the royal family lived, the hanok here are grand, providing beautiful scenes down every lane. To make the most of your visit, we recommend finding the "Eight Scenic Spots of Bukchon." These eight locations are each unique but share the similarity of offering breathtaking views. Your souvenir photos will turn out great with these spots in the background!

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