Honor guard from NATO countries participate in a dignified transfer as part of a repatriation ceremony on Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The United Nations Command in Korea remains committed to enforcing the 1953 UN Armistice Agreement and



United Nations Command honors fallen Korean War heroes

By Staff Sgt. Greg Nash 51st Fighter Wing

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- A rare, solemn silence lingers over a normally bustling flightline. The stillness of the runway temporarily fades as a vehicle slowly bypasses spectators rendering salutes and clutching their hands over their hearts, awaiting troops returning from combat.

Coming to a halt, the automobile unveils

six service members, but instead of walking out to fanfare for a heroes' welcome, these members were transported by pallbearers in a United Nations Command flag wrapped casket and recognized for their ultimate sacrifice: dying from the Korean War in the wake of the conflict's 70th Anniversary.

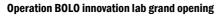
Formally called a repatriation ceremony, U.S. Army Col. David Bowlus, UNC chaplain, commemorated their valor before they were loaded onto a Boeing 747.

"Almighty God, we thank you for the distinct honor to return our fallen comrades to their final resting place," said Bowlus. "Although separated from their countrymen, they were never forgotten. Although once lost, they are now found. In this solemn moment, we thank you for their noble sacrifice. God grant to these your servants eternal rest, and may their return bring peace to all who have prayed and waited in hope for this day."

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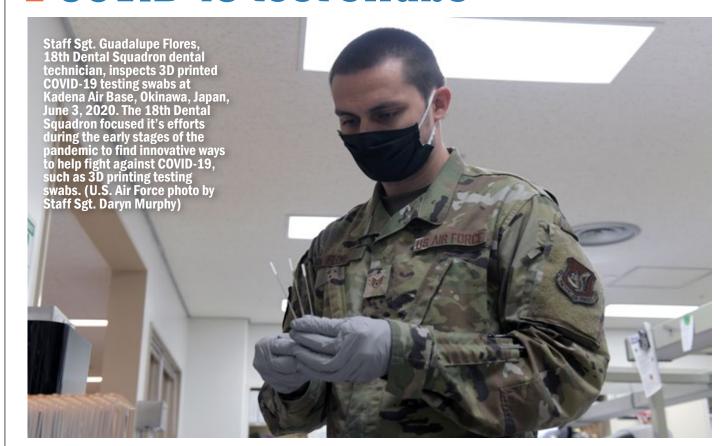


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18th Dental Squadron creates COVID-19 test swabs



By Staff Sgt. Daryn Murphy 18th Wing Public Affairs

KADENA AIR BASE, Japan -- While we've seen no new cases of COVID-19 on Okinawa, the threat of the pandemic is still very real. The Regional Dental Laboratory, which falls under the 18th Dental Squadron, has played an instrumental role in the 18th Wing's innovation efforts to help flatten the curve.

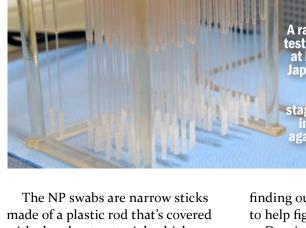
The RDL wasted no time in using their 3D printing capabilities to create face shields, door handle openers, and other personal protective equipment when protective measures were first implemented on base.

"With the reduction in patients due to the pandemic, we switched gears by using our innovation and expertise in our field to find new ways to treat patients or help the base," said Staff Sgt. Guadalupe Flores, Dental Technician, 18th Dental Squadron.

Along with personal protective equipment, the RDL began producing nasopharyngeal swabs with 3D printers to help support COVID-19 testing.

When faced with COVID-19,
members started reading articles
addressing the nasopharyngeal
swab and found out the lab's 3D
printer company, Formlabs, was
working with the University of
South Florida and Northwell
Health to manufacture NP swabs,
explained Tech. Sgt. Samuel
Brown, CAD/CAM NCO in

charge, 18th Dental Squadron.



The NP swabs are narrow sticks made of a plastic rod that's covered with absorbent material, which collects nasal secretions from the back of the nose and throat. Once the swabs are 3D printed, they're washed, cured, quality controlled, sterilized, packaged and then labeled.

To ensure the safety of patients, the dental lab is following an NP swab 3D printing workflow document provided by the joint forces of the 3D printing company, the university and New York's largest healthcare provider.

In order to gain Federal Drug Administration approval, two requirements must be met.

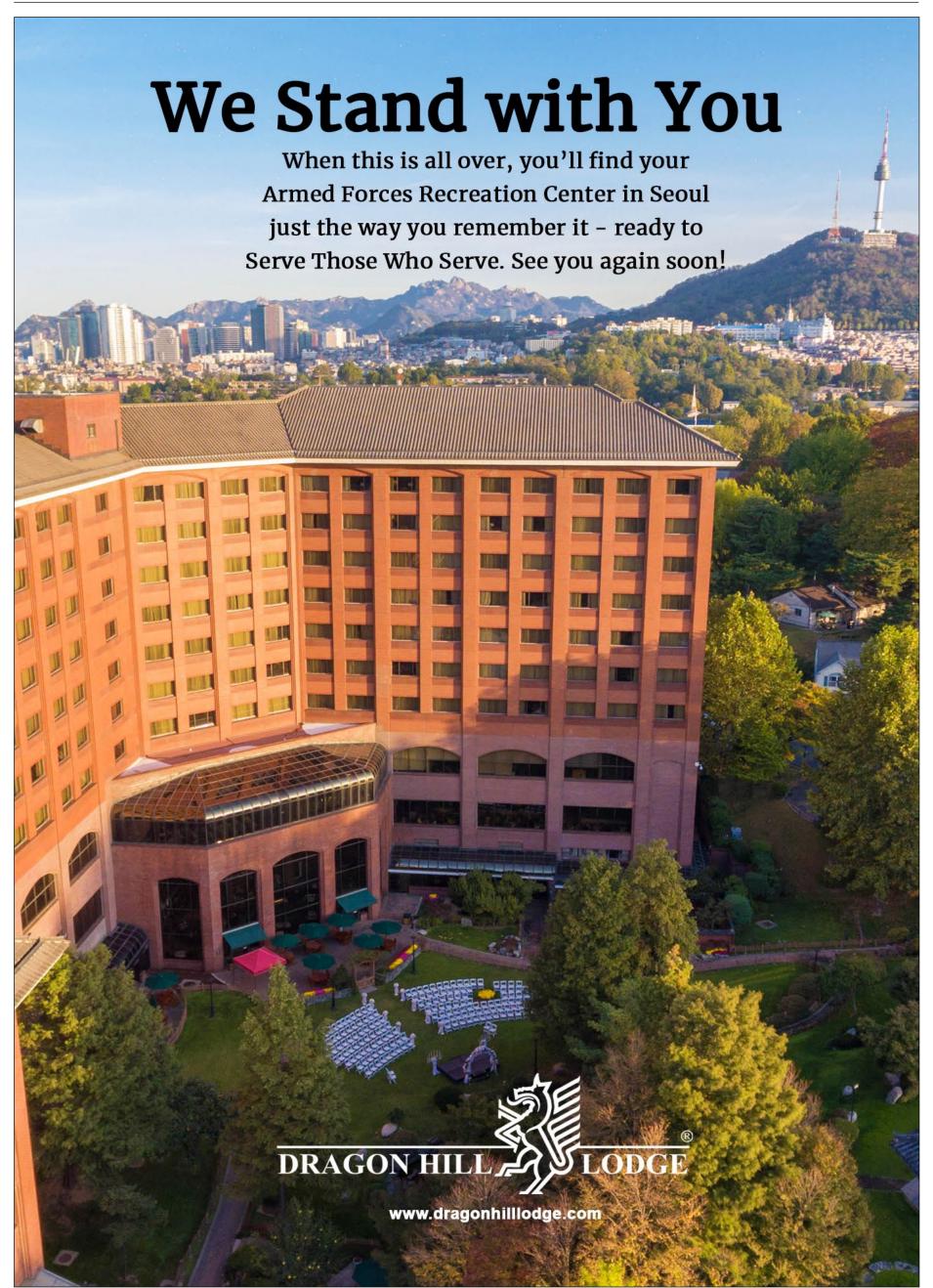
Legal and medical guidelines are one requirement and clinical trials are the other, Flores explained.

Kadena doesn't have enough patients for clinical trials – fortunately – which means no FDA approval as of now, he said. However, this hasn't stopped the unit from finding outside-the-box innovations to help fight COVID-19.

Despite not being able to get FDA approval themselves, the team is sharing their groundwork for the swabs with other Air Force Medical Treatment Facilities in an effort to help bases across the world create tests with an expedited approval process.

Not only does this help during the current and potential future pandemics, but it also allows the RDL to expand on skills that aren't necessarily used in the day-to-day dental operations.

"What we do on the day-to-day basis is just help people," said Tech. Sgt. Christian Kendall, Dental Technician, 18th Dental Squadron, "In this case it allowed us to branch out and excel and really work on other areas that we don't usually get the time to work on ... Being able to research and manufacture multiple products just to try to help out during the current pandemic."



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Operation BOLO innovation lab grand opening



By Senior Airman Jessica Blair 8th Fighter Wing

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea --The 8th Fighter Wing officially opened the

Operation BOLO innovation lab to Wolf Pack members at Kunsan Air Base, June 23.

The lab is located at the Community Activity Center and is open 24/7 for anyone with an innovative idea to improve their work centers and career fields by making processes more efficient.

Operation BOLO inspired the base's innovation program which allows our Airmen the opportunity to enhance the mission of the 8FW by supporting freeform creativity to develop innovative ideas for the Air Force.

"This is a big initiative across the Air Force, in terms of trying to facilitate new ideas, processes and better ways of doing things," said Col. Chris Hammond, 8FW commander. "Lately we have been talking a lot about diversity, it brings different backgrounds, different thought processes and ultimately a diversity of ideas."

The name of the room was inspired by one of the Wolf Pack's lines of effort, "operation be on the lookout for opportunity", which has a lot to do with innovation, says Col. Hammond.



U.S. Air Force Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, Kerry Park, U.S. Army core of engineering's resident engineer, Master Sgt. Shaun Duffy, Force Support Squadron manpower and organization flight chief. and Staff Sgt. Adam Wilks. Maintenance Group unit training manager, cut the ribbon for the Operation BOLO innovation lab's grand opening at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 23. Kunsan's innovation program, allows our Airmen the opportunity to enhance the Wing's mission by supporting freeform creativity to develop innovative ideas for the Air Force. (U.S. photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair)

U.S. Air Force Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, and Master Sgt. Shaun **Duffy, Force Support Squadron manpower and** organization flight chief, poses with the council team for a group photo during the Operation BOLO innovation lab's grand opening at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 23. (U.S. photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▶

"Currently the room is being used for the Wolf Tanks and to facilitate idea pitches," said Master Sgt. Shaun Duffy, Force Support Squadron manpower and organization flight chief. "The room allows you to develop your idea in a safe space without getting distracted."

Duffy and his team has been working since October 2019 to bring the innovation program to

"So when I went TDY to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, I decided to mirror a lot of their innovation lab processes," said Duffy. "Eventually we decided on the CAC as the location because of its 24/7 access and high foot traffic."

During the early stages of implementation, several Wolf Tanks which are inspired by an innovation television show, were conducted. Base leadership met with a council of ten Airmen so ideas could be presented for approval and funding. Three of those ideas were approved, endorsed and are currently being implemented.

"I've really had to lead the way in getting others to rethink their perception of what innovation really is," said Duffy. "Many believe innovation is just fixing processes or making a process better. That is one avenue of innovation, but buying emerging technology that helps us do our job better is also an avenue of innovation."

Numerous ideas were pitched in the Wolf Tanks: One includes streamlining the display technology for debriefings in both fighter squadrons' vault briefing rooms, which improves pilot training and feedback; Another idea includes a radio-frequency identification orbiter tracking system for PT testers to wear; another idea pitched was the explosive ordnance disposal team proposed a remotely controlled x-ray system that will allow them to assess a hazard from a longer distance.

"In the room, there are three tablets to facilitate any pitch whether you need to develop a slide show or conduct research," said Duffy. "I want to let specific ideas drive what we purchase."

Anyone can utilize the innovation lab but must get with one of the ten council members to access

"If people have a good idea, we want them to know the council is the foundation of support for their idea, you can come to us for anything," said Staff Sgt. Bruce McGaughey, 8th Medical Support Squadron warehouse and medical equipment management office NCO in charge. "It doesn't matter what your idea is, if you think that can help your squadron, flight, group, wing or the Air Force in general you can bring that to."

To get in contact with the council, check out the 8th Fighter Wing SharePoint click the "Base Orgs & Tenants" tab to find Wolf Pack Innovation Organization, where you can present ideas to the council.

"Even if you don't have an innovative idea but continuous process improvement is something interests you, get in contact with the council," said McGaughey. "We are looking for new motivated members of any rank to join our council because we prefer ideas that come from all levels."





U.S. Air Force Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, and Master Sgt. Shaun Duffy, Force Support Squadron manpower and organization flight chief, speak with members of the innovation lab council team at the Operation BOLO innovation lab's grand opening at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 23. (U.S. photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▲



U.S. Army core of engineering's resident engineer Kerry Park and U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Shaun Duffy, Force Support Squadron manpower and organization flight chief, pose in front of Operation BOLO innovation lab at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 23. The lab is centrally located at the community activity center and is open 24/7 for any one on Kunsan that has an innovative idea to improve their work centers and career fields by making processes more efficient. (U.S. photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair)



Guardian Angels support NASA launch

By Airman 1st Class Dwane R. Young 57th Wing Public Affairs

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. -- On May 30, the world watched anxiously as history was made when the Falcon 9 prepared to launch as part of NASA's SpaceX Demonstration Mission 2 at the Kennedy Space Center, Cape Canaveral, Fla.

For the first time since the conclusion of the space shuttle program in 2011, NASA astronauts would be launching from American soil in a commercially built and operated spacecraft on its way to the International Space Station (ISS).

Crowds waited in anticipation as they heard the familiar countdown.

"Three, two, one...liftoff!"

The rocket ignited in a burst of grandeur and lifted off towards its destination. For those watching, it was a truly memorable moment to observe; however, for a select group watching, it was much more than just witnessing it—they were a part of it.

Three teams of Rescue Specialists stood on-call, with radios in hand and phones fully charged, ready to jump into an aircraft and carry out a search and rescue mission anywhere worldwide in the event of a mission abort.

The 58th Rescue Squadron's Guardian Angels assigned to Nellis Air Force Base made up the three-team Space Flight Support Force distributed amongst Patrick AFB, Fla., Joint Base Charleston, S.C., and JB Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, in support of the historic launch.

"It was great to be a part of history," said

Maj. Lucas Gagliardi, 58th RQS, director of operations. "Pararescue has been a part of manned space flight since it began in the 1960s, so to be included in the first team to bring back some of our heritage was a super humbling and awesome experience."

The rescue teams were positioned at key alert locations based on the probability of an in-flight emergency during the launch until the SpaceX craft linked up with the ISS. In the event of an abort or emergency, the nearest team would race to the site and begin the rescue. Each team was prepared to fly with a Guardian Angel crew made up of pararescuemen and combat rescue officers.

According to Capt. Joshua McGee, 58th RQS combat rescue officer and Hickam team troop commander, they watched the launch live knowing the first minutes determined if a team would have to respond and which crew would be sent.

The Patrick AFB team stood by in the immediate area with HH-60 Pavehawk helicopters and an HC-130 Combat King II, ready to respond in case something went wrong during the early stages of the launch.

Once the ship began to ascend, a C-17 Globemaster III waiting at JB Charleston took over the watch, ready to travel up and down the east coast if it started to descend back down to earth.

Lastly, a C-17 from Hickam stood ready to traverse the Pacific Ocean in a recovery effort in case there was an emergency in orbit before the capsule finally reached the ISS.

To prepare for this intricate game plan, the teams traveled to Cocoa Beach, Florida, one

month prior to the launch to work with members of Detachment 3 under the 45th Space Wing, from Patrick AFB for Just-in-Time-Training (JITT).

Their JITT included hands on work with a mock capsule in the bay and open ocean. The teams worked on tactics on how to operate the recovery with contingencies for different emergencies.

With a capsule possibly crashing back down to the ground, the alert teams had to account for hazardous gas, unpredictable weather and sea conditions, and prepare themselves for a rescue anywhere across the globe.

"We spent, between 12 to 14 hours daily, working in the basin and getting hands-on training with the capsule," said Gagliardi. "We had a wide variety of instructors from retired pararescuemen, to pilots, firefighters, doctors, basically the whole gamut of rescue personnel who each brought their unique, capabilities and expertise to train us up for this mission."

The teams trained extensively at JITT to familiarize themselves with their locations, mission plan, and most importantly to reinforce their safety protocols.

"If something were to go wrong, we trained to be able to support multiple contingencies and hazards during day or night ops," said Gagliardi. "For example, in all these scenarios we had to be prepared to execute a recovery in the open ocean for up to 72 hours, treating patients until a helicopter arrived or a recovery by a ship of opportunity."

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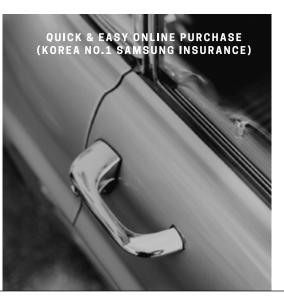
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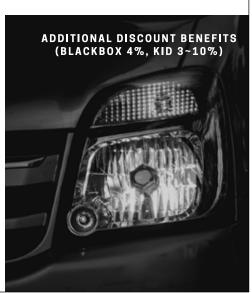
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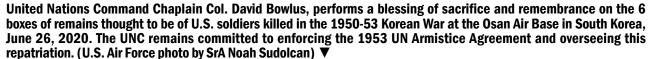
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"May their valor and commitment become a seed that would nurture us and future generations to love even unto laying down our lives so others may be free," Bowlus added. "Our fallen comrades honored their country in life, and we, on behalf of our grateful nations, honor them now."

The UNC has remained committed to enforcing the 1953 Armistice agreement, which includes the return of fallen service members. The conflict resulted in the deaths of more than 178,000 UNC service members leaving approximately 7,700 men behind enemy lines unable to return home, devastating families longing for closure.

Today, these six names are unknown, but after transport to a forensic lab at Hawaii's Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency is hopeful to identify these individuals to provide closure for family and friends.

A casket prepares to be loaded onto a Boeing 747 as part of a repatriation ceremony at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The remains are thought to be of a U.S. soldier killed in the 1950-53 Korean War. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Noah Sudolcan) ▼









Command flag drapes a transfer case in the cargo hold of a Boeing 747 at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The UNC, with support from United States Forces Korea, came together to repatriate six cases of remains returned by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The repatriation falls on the 67th anniversary of the Korean Armistice Agreement, which ensured the cessation of hostilities of the Korean War. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Betty R. Chevalier) ◀

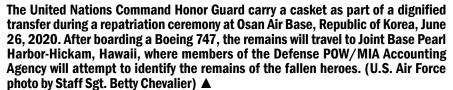
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Members from the United Nations Command Honor Guard remove a dignified transfer case containing the remains fallen Korean War heroes from a vehicle and load it onto a waiting Boeing 747 at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The UNC repatriated six cases of remains from the **Democratic People's Republic of** Korea on the 67th anniversary of the Korean Armistice Agreement, which ensured the cessation of hostilities of the Korean War. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Betty R. Chevalier) ◀

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U.S. Air Force Airmen render a salute to a dignified transfer case containing six cases of remains at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The remains flown to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, where members of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency will attempt to identify the remains of the fallen heroes. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Betty R. Chevalier) ▲



U.S. Air Force Airmen pay their respects during a repatriation ceremony at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 26, 2020. The United Nations Command remains committed to enforcing the 1953 UN Armistice Agreement and overseeing this repatriation. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Betty R. Chevalier) ▼



Katchi Kapshida

Story of the Lost LT

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By this time, I had learned he was retired, lives in Seoul with his family, and spends nearly every weekend hiking Korea's big mountains.

We hiked together for a while before the routes split and we would be on our own, but I wasn't ready to leave my new friend so I leaned on one of the three Hangul phrases I knew at the time.

Our loop (Gwonguemseong Peak Trail) was littered with some of the most beautiful Buddhist Temples, endless waterfalls, and countless panoramic views. We topped out for the night at a Korean National Park mountain shelter where we bunked up for a couple of hours

with a few dozen other hikers.

Well before sunrise I felt a tug on my foot and it was time to go. We pushed up the steep mountain under the Milky Way protected by low clouds drowning out the light pollution from the cities all around the park. Peaks popping through the clouds floating beneath our feet.

The first destination of the day was Daecheongbong Peak (Korea's third highest peak sitting at 1,708 meters above sea level). We were the first to summit for the day's sunrise!

Caught in the clouds, we started down the mountain toward what I understood to be the next 10 steep, exhausting, gorgeous peaks.

By the end of our 24 hours on

By 1st Lt. Daniel de La Fé **51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs**

The Story

ne year ago, I found myself stepping off a bus at a random gas station in middle of nowhere with a backpack filled with peanut butter crackers and a sleeping bag - completely lost in a new country I began calling home less than a month prior - excited and unaware of where life would soon take me.

Based on a couple of Instagram photos, I decided Seoraksan National Park would be a good start for checking out what type of hiking and backpacking the Republic of Korea had to offer.

I'm no stranger to wandering around unfamiliar places, but four hours later and a missed connection at Dong Seoul Bus Terminal, I found myself on the edge of my comfort zone - no English signs, no English speakers, and no trailhead anywhere in sight.

Just when I decided to give up and find the next bus back to Songtan, I saw a Korean man with a backpack taking a picture of the bus schedule so I tapped him on the shoulder, showed him a picture of where I wanted to go, and he motioned me to follow.

We started down a quiet road, stopped for my first-ever bibimbap (a traditional Korean rice and vegetable dish), and hopped on another bus that took us into the mountains. This entire time I was following him without question, as his English and my Hangul abilities created a barrier even Google Translate struggled to decipher, but we finally made it to the trailhead!



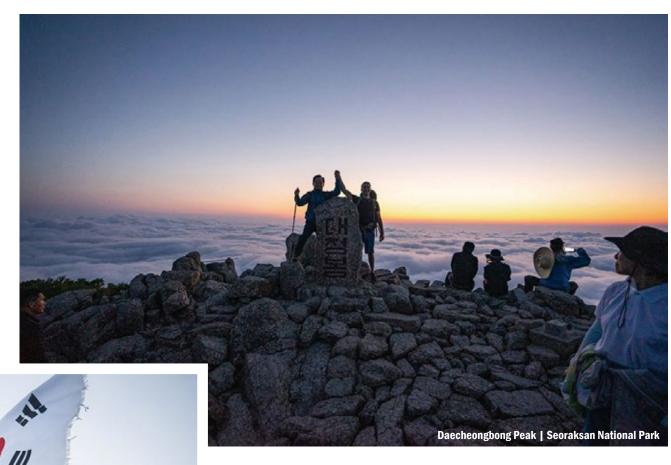


trail, we had covered 27 miles in the most dramatic and impressive mountain ranges, communicating through little more than grunts and gestures, but thankfully one of those three phrases I knew happened to include Katchi Kapshida.

The Lesson

By the end of the trip, we exchanged numbers where I finally learned his name was Mr. Kwon.

We've been hiking three times and shared a few meals over the past year where I've met two of his kids and developed a relationship that many would describe as similar to New Girl's Nick and Tran.



KATCHI KAPSHIDA-**MEANING "WE GO TOGETHER."**

Many of my friends have had similar experiences becoming friends with strangers, but these experiences require you to step outside of your comfort zone.

Get on a bus, eat weird food, tap the stranger with the backpack on the shoulder and try your best to ask for directions. You never know where it will take you.

The Tips

Korea makes it easy for international travelers to get around easily, and there are a ton of resources that you can mix and match to make it even easier. (No

federal endorsement intended)

- Google Translate: Add Korean to your keyboard. Actively watch the screen when typing because it will give you critical context that the end result just misses.
- KakaoMap: Best travel GPS for finding bus routes, driving directions, campsites, trailheads, restaurants, and many more. Mix and match with Never Map, Waze, and Google Maps if you can't find exactly what you're looking for.
- Korean Won: Always have cash! Once you're away from Songtan, many places don't accept American credit or debit cards.



experiences in the Republic of Korea, but nothing will ever surpass the memories Mr. Kwon has given me on our wild adventure in Seoraksan National Park. This is the type of experience that helped me decide to extend my tour in Korea for an additional year, and I'm looking forward to many more

country, and many love sharing their culture with interested Americans.





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Responding to a search and rescue of this magnitude means preparing for multiple contingencies. In order to prepare properly for the numerous possibilities, the teams relied heavily on their Aircrew Flight Equipment (AFE) Airmen. These Airmen arrived six weeks before the launch and were responsible for providing, checking and maintaining all the equipment for JITT and on launch day.

"We are able to jump on an aircraft and feel confident in our ability to support a rescue mission because of the hard work of our AFE Airmen," said Master Sgt. Matthew C. Blankenship, 58th RQS operations superintendent. "The way we supported this mission was for the teams to fly to the capsule's location and parachute out of the aircraft. They packed in an astronomical amount of equipment, because everything had to be airdrop capable. They did an outstanding job."

All of the training and preparation culminated on the day of the launch where the teams remained on call for 24 hours. Luckily everything went as planned, and launch day for the Space Flight Support Force was a success.

As the U.S. returns to manned space launches members of the 58th RQS will be there when needed to rescue a new generation of astronauts.

"We are sending personnel back to Florida to train and support the recovery of the capsule from this launch, and we will be there to support future launches," said Gagliardi. "This readiness embodies the unique capabilities Guardian Angel Squadrons bring to the Air Force and the country."

U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 58th Rescue Squadron at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, participate in a Just-in-Time-Training exercise at Cocoa Beach, Florida, May 11, 2020. The training allowed Airmen to practice using an inflatable raft called the "front porch" that is attached to a capsule and provided a working platform for medics to attend to astronauts if they were injured after extraction from their space capsule. (Courtesy Photo) ▲



U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 58th Rescue Squadron at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, execute an open water rescue during Just-in-Time-Training (JITT) at Cocoa Beach, Florida, May 11, 2020. The JITT included class room instruction, hands on training with a mock capsule in the bay and open ocean, and the teams additionally worked on tactics on how to operate the safe recovery of astronauts if they aborted their SpaceX Demonstration Mission 2. (Courtesy Photo) ▲





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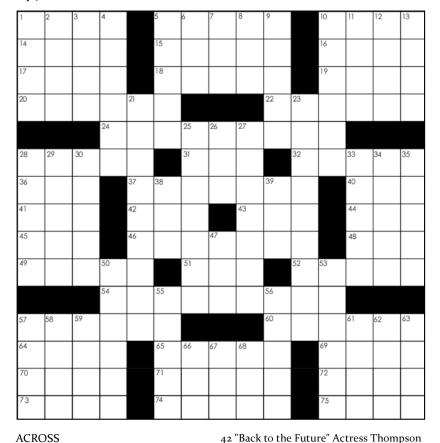
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pecial Warfare Airmen assigned to the 3rd Air Support Operations Squadron descend after jumping from a HC-130J Combat King II during airborne training over Malemute Drop Zone at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, June 24, 2020. The 3rd ASOS conducted the airborne training to maintain operational readiness. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jonathan Valdes Montijo) ▲

Airman assigned to the Combat Team Member Course receives instruction during training at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., June 26, 2020. CTMC gives combat search and rescue Airmen the opportunity to train on a wide variety of skills over a two month period. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Jacob T. Stephens)





taff Sgt. Jamal Miqbel, 3rd Airlift Squadron loadmaster, guides a K-loader carrying two empty transfer cases from Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations at Dover Air Force Base, Del., June 25, 2020. The transfer cases were flown to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, for Operation Colony Glacier, a mission to recover and identify the remains of service members who were killed when an aircraft crashed in 1952. The transfer cases will be used to transfer remains back to Dover AFB, where the armed forces medical examiner will begin identifying the remains. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Esteban Esquivel)







irmen assigned to the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron simulate an air rescue during a training scenario at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., June 22, 2020. The unit was conducting training on Humvee convoy, land navigation, defensive fighting positions and integrated base defense. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Gamboa) ◀

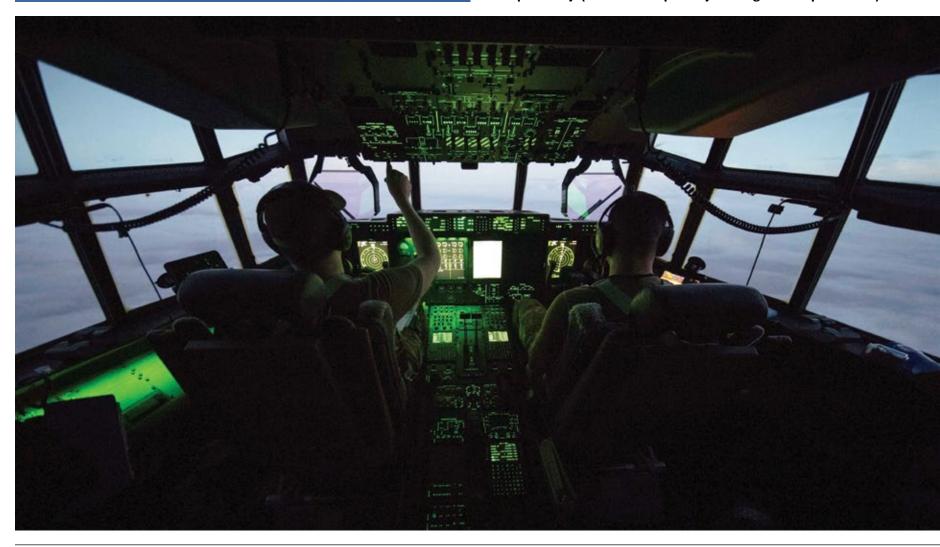
ech. Sgt. Dylan Sedillo, noncommissioned officer in charge of Survival, Evasion, Resistance, and Escape training for the 31st Operations Support Squadron, applies a bandage to the leg of Col. Leslie F. Hauck III, 31st Operations Group Commander, to simulate a broken leg at a military training area in Osoppo, Italy, June 30, 2020. Hauck acted as a downed pilot in need of rescue during Operation Porcupine, a unique exercise testing the diverse capabilities of the 31st Fighter Wing. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Tory Cusimano) ▼

S. Air Force F-15E Strike Eagles assigned to the 48th Fighter Wing conduct bilateral interoperability training with Royal Netherlands
■ Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcons over the North Sea, June 19, 2020. Interoperability training remains a symbol of the shared commitment between the Netherlands, the U.S. and NATO to maintain the continued security of Europe. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Anthony Clingerman) ▼





ir Force 75th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron pilots fly a C-130J Super Hercules over East Africa, June 28, 2020. The 75th EAS provides strategic airlift capabilities across the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa area of responsibility. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Christopher Ruano) ▼



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lodging rooms on a space available ba- cific unit cook dinner for their fellow Wolf Pack members at the Sonlight Inn. The dinner begins at 6 p.m. fol-"Italian cooking" to "Southern style." For more information or to volunteer, contact the chapel at 782-HOPE.

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- PING PONG TOURNAMENT -

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Osan

AIRMEN HELPING AIRMEN, QUAR-**ANTINE DORM DONATIONS: Moving** off base and not sure what to do with your 110v electronics? Do you have extra household items just collecting dust and cluttering up your living space? The 51 FW Safety Office is collecting donations of household items to better equip the "Quarantine Campus" dorms. We are accepting donations of TVs, video games, dvd/ blu ray players, fans, coffee makers, dishes, silverware, etc., and a few grocery items...anything that would help make a 14-day quarantine inside an empty dorm room more tolerable. Please drop off any donated items in the labelled donation bins, placed throughout Osan Air Base housing and dormitories. Donation bins will be located in most dormitory dayrooms and in the lobbies of military family housing towers.

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TUTORING VOLUNTEER OPPORTU-

NITY: We have a tutoring opportunity for grade school to young adults, on base, for all subjects, especially the

sciences, technology, engineering, and council members that are eager to mathematics (STEM). In order to be a volunteer, applicants would have to complete a coach/volunteer application and background check. Interested participants can get additional information at our "Osan AB Tutoring" Facebook page https://www.facebook. com/osantutors/ We meet every Wednesday & Thursday from 1630-1830 at the Base USO.

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

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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.

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CAMPAIGN: The AFAF campaign is a fundraiser among AF personnel for the benefit of uniformed AF personnel. It truly is Airmen helping Airmen. All contributions provide financial support to four AFAF affiliates: The Air Force Village Charitable Foundation, the Air Force Aid Society, the Air Force Enlisted Village and the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation. Find a Key Worker in your workplace to give!

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 or 784-0929.

LACROSSE SUMMER LEAGUE IN

KOREA!: The Korean Lacrosse Association's annual Summer League will be starting August 9th! My name is Clint, and I am currently on Men's National Lacrosse Team. My team (CLU Tigers) needs players, and we would love to have you on the field (all experiences welcome!). League will be held on 8/9, 16, 23, 29 at Suwon. Rides/gears will be provided! Please contact me if this interests you in any way!

Kunsan's emergency phone numbers					
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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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Army airborne task force descends onto Guam

By Maj. Timothy Chavis

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, **Guam** -- Paratroopers from the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, United States Army Alaska, parachuted onto Guam early in the morning as part of their Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise from Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska today.

Col. Christopher Landers, commander of U.S. Army Alaska's 4-25 IBCT(A), led the training mission to secure the airfield as part of U.S. Army Pacific's participation in ongoing joint exercises throughout the region to include the Mariana Islands.

"This scenario tested our ability to execute real-world missions and demonstrated that we are capable of deploying anywhere in the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command area at a moment's notice." said Landers.

For his paratroopers, this exercise validated their ability to deploy and conduct operations in the Indo-Pacific region. While able to operate as a scalable task force, the unit delivered onto the airfield to make this the largest airborne



A paratrooper of the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division, U.S. Army Alaska, demonstrate a joint forcible entry into Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, June 30. The Army's airborne brigade provides the Joint force the capability to rapidly deploy to and seize contested territory. The Joint force underpins United States' commitment to the security and stability in the Indo-Pacific region and demonstrates the ability to safely conduct operations in a COVID-19 environment. (U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Richard Ebensberger)



operation here in recent memory.

Multiple C-17 Globemasters appeared in the early-morning sky carrying the paratroopers that had flown directly from Joint Base Elemendorf-Richardson, Alaska, while donning their parachutes

Immediately after hitting the ground, paratroopers seized objectives and secured the airfield.

The exercise started only several days before, at JBER, Alaska, when paratroopers were notified of their mission. Every single paratrooper and all support personnel involved were screened for COVID-19, with all participants receiving negative results.

To ensure the health and safety of the military and civilian communities in Guam, everyone was quarantined to AAFB and observed all COVID-19 safety precautions. This included separation from the Andersen community throughout the exercise.

"We are successfully balancing readiness and mission requirements with health and safety precautions to protect ourselves and our communities," said Landers. "Our joint partners have facilitated every one of our requirements. It's been an incredible experience to work with them."

The joint team in the Indo-Pacific underscores the U.S. commitment to keep it, secure, stable, free and open.





<u>Spiritual Charge</u>

CRIMSON SKY



By TSgt. Nickole Jarrett HQ PACAF/HC **Religious Affairs Airman**

T ave you ever hoped to receive good news about a ▲ big test you spent endless nights, weeks and even months studying and preparing for just to find out you failed? Maybe you applied for a desirable job and were notified weeks later that someone else was selected for the position. The decision probably left you feeling puzzled, disappointed and

The Conquering Power of Perseverance!

frustrated. Whether professionally Albert Einstein and his assiduous or personally, we have all experienced failure in our lives.

Growing up as a military child in a strict West Indian family, I watched my father climb the ranks to Sergeant Major. I also watched my mother (who previously served in the Army and Air Force) become a registered nurse in the civilian sector. While I am extremely proud of them and their many achievements, I know their journeys were not easy. It took them a great deal of patience, timeless dedication and perseverance to finally reach their monumental levels of success. As I progress through my career in the Air Force, I am forever grateful to my parents for laying a strong foundation upon which I have built my character and professional life.

Perseverance is the art of never giving up or giving in. It is the (Winston) "Churchillian" quality of enduring the tough times and continuing to strive towards success despite the many obstacles lying in one's way. German-born physicist and Nobel Prize recipient

pursuit of knowledge eventually gave the world remarkable information about the "Quantum Theory of Light" and the "Theory of Relativity." Einstein's empirical approach resulted in his theories breaking through barriers in the field of science. A fear of heights, racial discrimination and countless encounters of hardship did not deter NASA astronaut and physician, Dr. Mae Jemison, from turning her dreams into reality. She became known as the first woman of color to enter space aboard the Space Shuttle (Endeavour). Both Einstein and

Perseverance is about having the willpower, ambition and motivational mindset to attain one's goals whether it takes weeks, months or years to accomplish. In Angela Duckworth's highly acclaimed book "Grit," she defines this term as "the combination of perseverance and passion toward

Jemison relentlessly pursued their

goals by maintaining their focus

and keeping their "eyes on the

long-term goals." Even at times when we may feel discouraged, overwhelmed and ready to give up, we must be prepared to tackle and overcome the challenges we face.

July 10, 2020

Perseverance is also the ability to endure and succeed even in the midst of trials, hardships and turmoil. In the Bible, a character named "Job" best exemplified the quality of perseverance. His faith in God was tested by Satan. As he experienced the loss of family, money and health, he remained patient and humble. Although Job received bad advice from his friends and pondered God's justice in the face of global suffering, Job's loyalty to God never diminished. Through his unlimited belief in God and unyielding pursuit of righteousness, Job regained all that he lost and more.

So whether you are embarking on a goal-setting journey, determined to pass a big test or hoping to land a dream job, remember to stay focused, remain motivated and keep perseverance in the forefront of your mind as you strive toward success!

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

KUNSAN AIR BASE

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

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

Other Worship Opportunities LDS Service Sunday, 1:00 p.m. SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510

Point of Contact: Kunsan Chapel, 782-HOPE

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OSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services -Community Service @ 1030 -Gospel Service @ 1230 Regular Occuring Ministries: PYOC: (Middle School & High School

Mondays—1830-2000 @ Chapel Spiritual Fitness Center PCOC: (AWANA) - Wednesdays @ Chapel. Age 3 to 6th grade meet 1800 -1930 & grades 7th-12th meet

PMOC: (Men) - Tuesdays - 1830 @ Chapel Annex PSOC: (Singles & Unaccompanied)

*Saturdays - 1900 @ Hospitality House. Sundays - 1700 @ Community Center

- Game Night: *Fridays - 1900 @ Hospitality House. Din ner is provided. *Van pickup: Fridays: Chapel @ 1730, Mustang CTR @ 1735.

Saturdays: Chapel @ 1830, Mustang CTR PWOC: (Women) "PWOC Osan AB" - Mondays 1800-2000, Tuesdays 0845-1100 @ Chapel Annex (Child Watchcare provided) & Sunday 1600-1730 @ Posco

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 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 ha

Meet monthly, Pls call 784-5000

Other Faith Groups Earth-Based (Contact the Chapel) Jewish (Contact the Chapel Muslim (Contact the Chapel) **Buddhist (Contact the Chapel)** LDS Sunday, 1 p.m., Contact the Chapel

> Point of Contact: Osan Chapel, 784-5000

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Protestant Services Traditional Service Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597 Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Brian Allgood Hospital Chape **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.

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel 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

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

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



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

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Dr. Gina Sohn - U.S. Dentist Licensed to practice in Massachusetts, **Conneticut & New Jersey. Tufts Graduate..., the Smile Artist!**

- Graduate of Tufts University, School of Dental Medicine – Boston, Mass.
- Studied at University Paris 5 (Rene Descartes).
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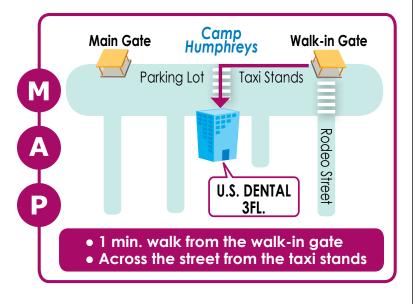
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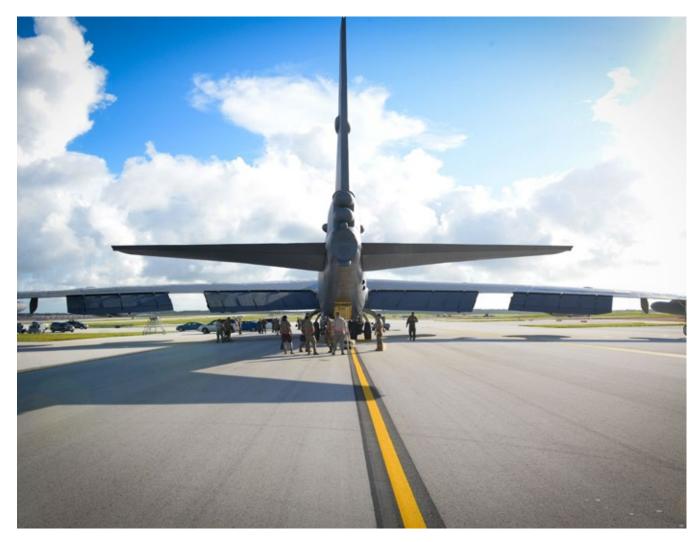
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii -- One B-52 Stratofortress bomber from the 96th Bomb Squadron, 2nd Bomb Wing, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, took off from home station and participated in a maritime integration exercise with the USS Nimitz and USS Ronald Reagan carrier strike groups in the South China Sea before landing at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam

The B-52 flew the 28-hour mission to demonstrate U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's commitment to the security and stability of the Indo-Pacific region.

This was part of a bomber task force dynamic force employment used by U.S. Strategic Command to conduct training with and in support of Geographic Combatant Commands efforts to help maintain global stability and security. These type of missions support the National Defense Strategy's objectives of strategic predictability and operational unpredictability.

"Bomber Task Force demonstrates U.S. capability to rapidly deploy to a forward operating base and execute

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A U.S. Air Force B-52H Stratofortress bomber, deployed from Barksdale Air Force Base, La. lands at Andersen Air Base, Guam, July 4, 2020. The B-52 flew the 28-hour mission to demonstrate U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's commitment to the security and stability of the Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Nicholas Crisp)

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25th Anniversary All Mask Packs

Lifelong friends reunite after 25 years

By Senior Airman Denise Jenson 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Life for Cindy Washburn was always a world expedition away within every corner of her household. One day she could be learning about Central American culture in the living room, hearing European accents in the front yard or tasting Asian cuisines at the dinner table. Although she's an American from a U.S. Air Force family, many of these cultural experiences came through compassion and not by way of travelling.

This compassion came from her family's love for embracing diversity by opening their home to foreign exchange students. Cindy experienced many friends come and go, but losing one hit closer to home. Always wanting to rekindle with Chang-hi Lee, a South Korean student who stayed with them almost a year, Cindy remained hopeful.

Fast forward 25 years, with a relocation to South Korea's Osan Air Base, the now Cindy Badger, wife of Maj. Eric Badger, 51st Fighter Wing Commander's Action Group, was finally able to physically reconnect with Chang.

"I had such a wonderful afternoon reuniting with him, and then I added my parents into the reunion with a video chat," Cindy said. "I am incredibly grateful for all the experiences my family had with Chang and other exchange students over the years, because my own world view expanded and I learned to appreciate other cultures. The experience with Chang was extra special because he really became like family, and also taught our whole family more about love. I think any time you let someone into your heart it increases your ability to love and care about others."

The family sadly said goodbye to Chang as he went back to school in 1996, but were reunited shortly after as he expressed he wanted to quit school and visit them again. After a few more weeks, Chang moved back to South Korea, Cindy's family moved to Utah, and other than some email and letter correspondence, and a wedding present sent to Cindy's sister in 2002, the families lost communication for 18 years.



Maj. Eric Badger, 51st Fighter Wing Commander's Action Group and his wife Cindy (back center), pose for a photo with Chang-hi Lee (far right) and his family during a reunion in Suwon, South Korea on May 17, 2020. Chang was a former foreign exchange student who stayed with Cindy and her family when she was just eight years old. After change mode a military made of the control of Korea, the families lost touch for 25 years, but were miraculously able to reconnect when the Badger's made a military move out to South Korea. (Courtesy photo) ▲

The Washburn family poses for a photo with Chang-hi Lee, a foreign exchange student living with them, December 1995. The Washburn's lost touch with Chang after his return to his home country of South Korea in 1996, but Cindy Washburn, now Cindy Badger, was able to reconnect with Chang and his family after a military move to South Korea. (Courtesy photo) ▶

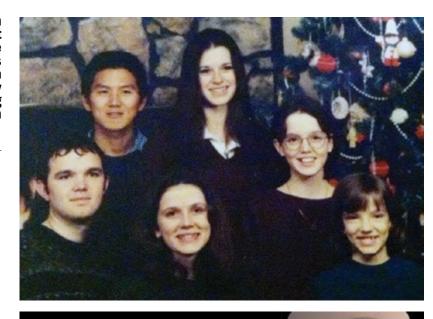
"After my husband got orders to Korea, my mom definitely (got excited)," Cindy said. "She was determined that we had to find him before I left Korea. Many members of my family got on social media and search engines to try to find him."

After nearly three years passed with no leads, the family thought there chance to meet wouldn't come to fruition as they were soon to leave Korea. Fortunately, a dream was their saving grace.

"[Chang] had a dream about our family - it woke him and he knew he needed to find us," Cindy said. "After some more searching, he found one of my sisters through Pinterest, of all places! And then he contacted the rest of us, and we made arrangements to meet up with him in Suwon.

The day of the reunion came, and both families, Chang, his wife and son, and Cindy, Eric and their four children met in Suwon. After years of trying to reunite, and feeling like the search would turn up fruitless, it truly seemed like a miracle to both families to finally be able to reconnect, reminisce and make new memories and bonds.

After a long and difficult search across different areas of the world spanning 25 years, the search for Cindy's dear friend finally had a happy ending. Some bonds and friendships were meant to last a lifetime – and this is one friendship that won't easily be lost to time again.



Cindy Badger's mother joins in on a videochat with Chang-hi Lee, a former the Badger's made a military move out to South Korea. (Courtesy photo)





During the mission, the B-52 aircrew tested and assessed command and control capabilities to inform the development of contested and degraded communication tactics, techniques and procedures to ensure seamless joint interoperability.

"As we operate throughout the Indo-Pacific theater, our Fleet units continue to seek out every opportunity to strengthen our capabilities and proficiency at conducting joint, combined, all-domain operations with our partner teams," said U.S. Navy Cmdr. Joshua Fagan, Task Force 70 Air Operations officer. "Some of the recent events bringing Air Force B-52s and B-1s, Navy aircraft, and our ships at sea together on shared networks in support of integrated missions have been good opportunities for us to exercise the joint mission planning and coordination processes that we depend on to operate safely and effectively out here."

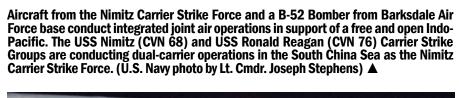
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A 2nd Bomb Wing aircrew member conducts a Foreign Object Debris check on the flight line at Barksdale Air Force Base, La., before a B-52H Stratofortress takes off in support of a U.S. Strategic Command Bomber Task Force, July 2, 2020. The USSTRATCOM regularly conducts BTF operations across the globe as a demonstration of U.S. commitment to collective defense and integration with Geographic Combatant Command operations and activities. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Tessa B. Corrick)



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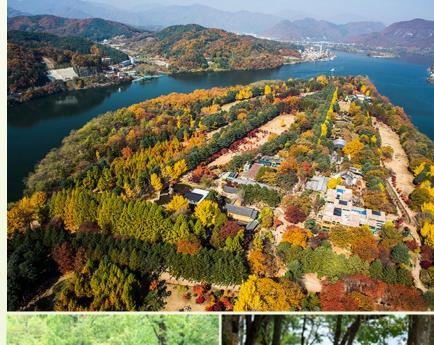
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Most Popular Korean Attractions of 2019

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▼ No.4 • Namiseom Island

Namiseom Island became a popular tourist attraction after appearing in the Korean drama "Winter Sonata (2002)." Originally just a hilltop, Namiseom Island became an island with the construction of Cheongpyeong Dam, which elevated the surrounding water level. The island is rather small, allowing visitors to complete a full tour within half a day. The island's effort to preserve nature and reuse recyclable items is quite noteworthy.







If you are looking for a fun place to spend a whole day, check out Lotte World! This amusement park is open all year round, filled with dynamic events and performances. Even better, the park is located in downtown Seoul and is easily accessible via public transportation. The park is largely divided into two areas: Adventure located indoors, and the outdoor section of Magic Island. Adventure includes a plethora of attractions, including a carousel, Spanish pirate ship, flume ride and more, while Magic Island has big thrill rides like the Gyro Drop and Gyro Spin. Lotte World Tower Seoul Sky and Lotte World Shopping Mall are located nearby so make sure to take a look around while you're here.





No.6 ● Hongdae ▲

A cultural hub of youthful energy, Hongdae refers to the area near Hongik Univ. Station (Seoul Subway Line 2). Streets lined with cafés, restaurants, bars, and shops are filled with youth and the region is full of exciting vibes given off by live cafés and clubs clustered within. Its influence has recently expanded to include Yeongnam-dong's Gyeongui Line Forest Park, providing visitors with a relaxing walking path and unique shops inside the urban neighborhood. Many tourist attractions including Trick Eye Museum and KT&G Sangsangmadang are also located here.



▲ No.7 • Changdeokgung Palace and Huwon

Changdeokgung Palace was built in the early Joseon period and, of all the palaces, served as the royal residence the most. The palace boasts a majestic harmony with the surrounding nature as each building was built with careful consideration of geographical and environmental features within the area. In particular, the matching beauty of the palace's pavilions, ponds, and rock formations is quite a scene to behold. Changdeokgung Palace's magnificence was recognized internationally and became designated as a UNESCO World Heritage in 1997. If you're looking for a charming and nature-friendly palace, head to Chandeokgung Palace!

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