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Staff Sgt. Jimmy Noriega, Senior Airmen Harold McIntyre and Pryde Nchamukong, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment and pavement personnel, drive metal stakes into the ground during sidewalk construction at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 23, 2020. These metal stakes hold the wood in place that is needed to help form the sidewalk frame. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair)

“Dirt Boys” keep the base running smoothly

By Senior Airman Jessica Blair
8th Fighter Wing

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Whether it's a blanket of snow covering the roads or a crack in the flight line's concrete, keeping the roadways functional is crucial for the Wolf Pack. Swinging sledge hammers, operating heavy construction vehicles and jack hammering in the elements, the “Dirt Boys”, as they are affectionately known, use their knowledge and skillset to rapidly repair all

horizontal infrastructure around the base.

For the members of the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron, they provide many capabilities when maintaining the infrastructure to ensure the Wolf Pack is always running smoothly and mission ready.

“The length of time it takes to repair the flight line depends on the size of the damage,” said Tech. Sgt. Zachary Eyl, 8th CES heavy equipment and pavement shop noncommissioned officer in charge. “What we do is challenging. It's a lot of hard and

physically demanding work but we like working hard. That's our mentality.”

The heavy construction equipment that the Dirt Boys operate to help maintain the base's horizontal infrastructure include dozers, hydraulic excavators, snow plows and much more. Besides operating heavy construction equipment, they detonate explosives when maintaining the facilities as well as construct runways and airfields in remote locations.

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Delivering airpower in the Indo-Pacific

**By Gen. Ken Wilsbach,
Commander,
Pacific Air Forces**

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii -- After nearly two months in command of Pacific Air Forces, I'm impressed by the Airmen who generate credible combat airpower daily to ensure a free and open Indo-Pacific.

From recent simultaneous bomber missions conducted with our joint teammates and allies and partners, to our security forces members from across Japan conducting bilateral training with the Koku-Jieitai, to our Airmen standing watch with our counterparts on the Korean peninsula, to integrating 5th Generation fighters in Red Flag-Alaska, to so much more, PACAF Airmen have demonstrated daily a resolve and commitment to deliver our unique and flexible capabilities of speed, range and precision to ensure regional stability and security.

It isn't easy, however, to plan and execute air operations across more than half of the globe—especially in the midst of a historic pandemic—but you have leveraged your 'can-do' attitude, your readiness, your resiliency, your innovation, and your lethality to bring continuous unrivaled air, space and cyberspace capabilities to the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command.

But today's Indo-Pacific faces increased challenges and escalating tensions, none bigger than inter-state strategic competition highlighted by China and Russia seeking to impact the economic, diplomatic and security decisions of their neighbors and ignoring international law and norms.

As I have reached out to my counterparts across the theater, I come away with an abiding respect for our joint teammates, allies and partners who share a deep interest in protecting freedom, preserving peace and stability, ensuring economic prosperity free from coercion and upholding a rules-based international order. To that end, my vision for the command is that we will be an agile, accurately



postured, undeterred, and lethal force capable of dedicating peerless effects from cooperation to conflict.

The priorities I have for the command are:

- Guarantee the readiness and resiliency of the force to protect the homeland

- Reinforce relationships with allies and partners to guarantee a free and open Indo-Pacific

- Support our Airmen and families so they can be the best version of themselves and execute the mission

- Coordinate and integrate with our service components in the theater

As we embrace our roles as Airmen, we must be ready to compete with near-peer adversaries.

We will do so by welcoming and employing perspectives from across the command, our joint team, and our international partners through exercises, engagements, exchanges and operations. We will continue to advance joint all domain

capabilities to integrate with our teammates so we can respond to any challenge. We will also use innovation to analyze and solve the challenges of today and tomorrow, and adopt concepts and technologies that will drive our readiness, resiliency, and lethality. Finally, we will use our full spectrum of capabilities in all domains in coordination with our joint team and allies and partners for the security and stability of the theater now and into the future.

In closing, we live and work in a dynamic region that is critical to our national interests and those of our allies and partners. The work we do is serious and has implications far too great to not do it well, and that includes being culturally competent and operationally relevant. Joint warfighting takes a commitment to excellence and the ability to be ready to fight tonight. I have faith and confidence that all PACAF Airmen will continue to deliver unparalleled airpower to keep the Indo-Pacific open and free.



U.S. Secretary of Defense Dr. Mark T. Esper and the Japan Defense Minister Kono Taro conduct a bilateral engagement at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam Aug. 29 2020. Secretary Esper and Minister Kono exchanged views on their shared vision for a free and open Indo-Pacific region. The Secretary expressed serious concern regarding Beijing's decision to impose a national security law in Hong Kong, as well as coercive and destabilizing actions vis-à-vis Taiwan. (U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Richard P. Ebensberger)

US Secretary of Defense hosts Japanese Defense Minister

By Department of Defense

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam -- On August 29, Secretary of Defense Mark T. Esper hosted Japanese Defense Minister Taro Kono in Guam, where they reaffirmed the strength of the U.S.-Japan Alliance and discussed ways to deepen and expand bilateral defense cooperation.

Secretary Esper and Minister Kono exchanged views on their shared vision for a free and open Indo-Pacific region. The Secretary expressed serious concern regarding Beijing's decision to impose a national security law in Hong Kong, as well as coercive and destabilizing actions vis-à-vis Taiwan. Both Ministers restated their commitment to maintain a rules-based order in the East and South China Seas, and more broadly in the region and world. The Secretary welcomed Japan's efforts to strengthen cooperation with other likeminded partners, including members of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), India, Australia, and



U.S. Secretary of Defense Dr. Mark T. Esper meets with service members at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam Aug. 29 2020. While on Guam Secretary Esper visited also met with local government officials and conducted a bilateral engagement with the Japanese Defense Minister Kono Taro (U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Richard P. Ebensberger)



trilaterally with the United States and the Republic of Korea.

Secretary Esper reiterated the U.S. commitment to the full implementation of President Trump and Chairman Kim's Joint Statement at the 2018 Singapore Summit, which includes the complete elimination of North Korea's weapons of mass destruction, their means of production, and their means of delivery. Secretary Esper thanked Japan for its strong leadership in implementing United Nations Security Council Resolutions sanctions to disrupt North Korea's illicit ship-to-ship transfers, and for hosting multinational forces that support this effort.

Secretary Esper and Minister Kono agreed to continue efforts to support interoperability and to enhance Alliance capabilities, particularly for integrated air and missile defense (IAMD) and for intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) functions. They also agreed on the importance of secure networks and of strengthening information security to protect advanced defense technologies.

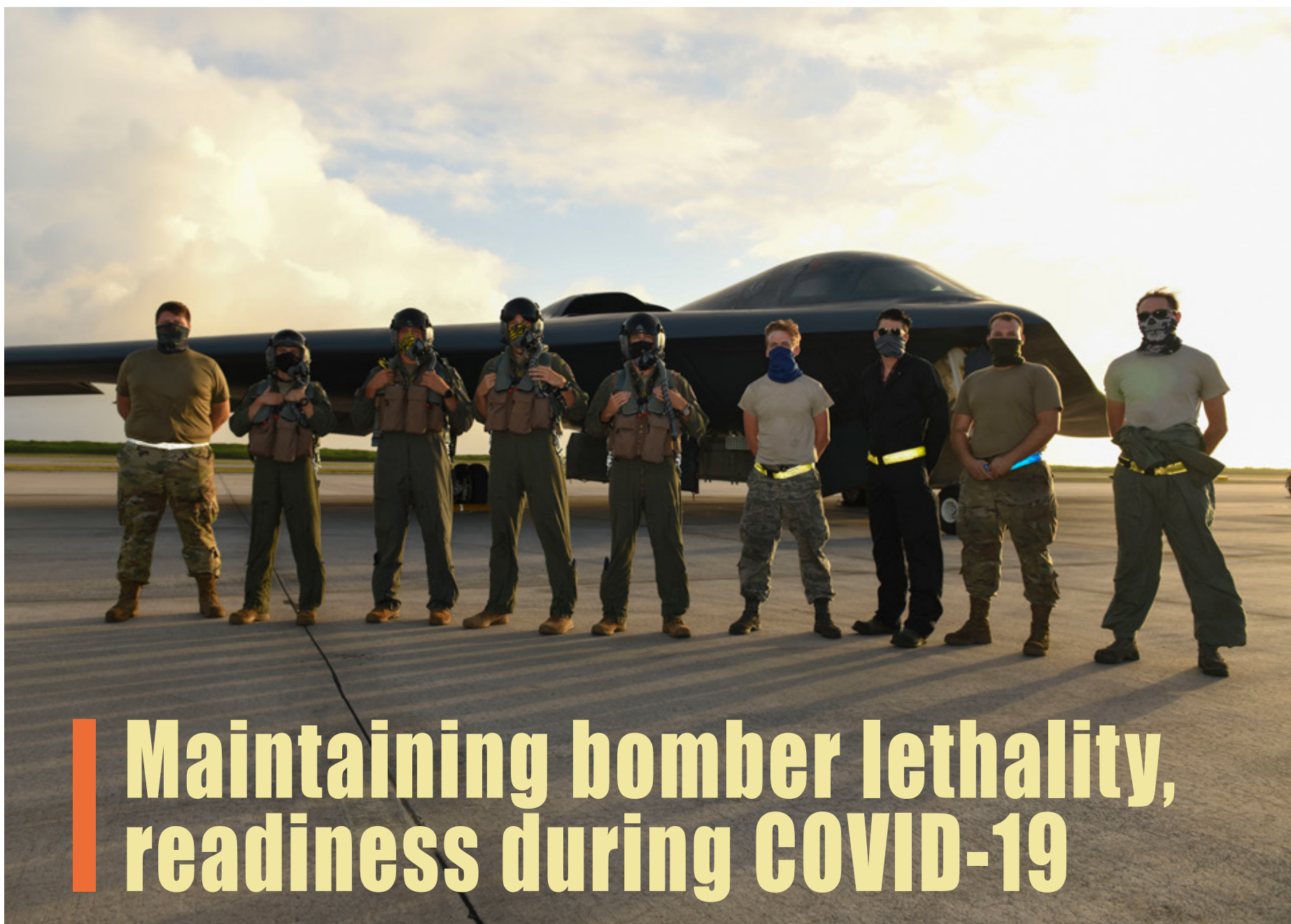
The Ministers committed to work together closely to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and to cooperate in providing assistance in response. They reaffirmed their commitment to the realignment plan to move U.S. forces from Okinawa to Guam and other initiatives, including construction of the Futenma Replacement Facility. The Secretary noted the importance of Japan's steps

towards completing the purchase of Mageshima to support field carrier landing practice. Secretary Esper and Minister Kono recognized the importance of local community engagement in ensuring stable stationing of U.S. forces in Japan. Secretary Esper further committed to maintaining the highest standards of safety for all U.S. personnel, while emphasizing the necessity of training to maintain readiness.

U.S. Secretary of Defense Dr. Mark T. Esper meets with Airmen at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam Aug. 29 2020. While on Guam Secretary Esper visited with service members, met with local government officials and conducted a bilateral engagement with the Japanese Defense Minister Kono Taro (U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Richard P. Ebensberger) ▲

U.S. Secretary of Defense Dr. Mark T. Esper meets with Soldiers assigned to the 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command's Task Force Talon who maintain and operate the Terminal High Altitude Air Defense (THAAD) system at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam Aug. 29 2020. The primary purpose of the THAAD system is to defend against missile attacks. The system consists of a launcher, interceptors, fire control and communications equipment, and the AN/TPY-2 tracking radar. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Amir Young) ▼





Maintaining bomber lethality, readiness during COVID-19

By 1st Lt. Michael Hardy
Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

NAVAL SUPPORT FACILITY, Diego Garcia -- COVID-19 is changing operational practices throughout the Air Force, forcing innovative adaptations in order to remain combat ready. For the members of the 393rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron special considerations were taken to ensure every member was COVID free prior to arriving at Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia.

Prior to deployment, each member completed a 14-day mandated quarantine and tested negative for COVID-19 before departing Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri.

The restriction ensured Airmen were healthy and ready to perform their mission.

"We worked closely with our medical experts to design a model for how bombers can deploy to the other side of the globe during a pandemic," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Christopher Conant, Bomber Task Force commander. "To remain a lethal and ready force, our Airmen must be healthy."

Any member who tested positive or was found violating the 14-day restriction, was immediately removed from the deployment as means to prevent possible spread or contamination.

"We needed to make sure we were minimizing any chances of bringing someone who was potentially COVID-positive with us to Diego Garcia, not just for the potential impacts it could mean for our mission, but for the U.S. Navy's mission as well," said U.S. Air Force Capt. Joseph Sharp, 393rd EBS flight doctor.

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U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit Stealth Bomber pilots and maintainers assigned to the 393rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, pose for a photo after a flying mission at Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia, to support a Bomber Task Force mission, Aug. 17, 2020. U.S. Strategic Command units regularly conduct training with U.S. Indo-Pacific Command to ensure a free and open Indo-Pacific. USSTRATCOM Bomber Task Force missions help maintain global stability and security while enabling units to become familiar with operations in different regions. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Salazar) ▲



U.S. Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Japan Air Self Defense Force aircraft conduct a large-scale joint and bilateral integration training exercise Aug. 18, 2020. Four B-1B Lancers, two B-2 Spirit Stealth Bombers, and four F-15C Eagles conducted Bomber Task Force missions simultaneously within the Indo-Pacific region over the course of 24 hours. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Peter Reft) ▲

International Organization for Standardization Munitions Movement



Airman 1st Class Aaron Klawitter, 8th Maintenance Squadron management stockpile technician, signals a driver at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 28, 2020. The 8th MXS and the Traffic Management Office transport unserviceable munitions back to the United States to be refurbished or destroyed twice a year. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ◀

Trucks loaded with munition containers wait in line at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 28, 2020. These unserviceable munitions will be transported to Jinhae seaport for shipment back to the United States, freeing up crucial storage for resupply that increases mission readiness capabilities of the 8th Fighter Wing. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair). (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▼

Senior Airman Tyler Attig, 8th Maintenance Squadron storage munitions technician, guides Staff Sgt. Brett Mohney, 8th MXS ammo flight munitions storage and handling technician, at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 28, 2020. The International Organization for Standardization containers, or ISOs, are loaded onto Traffic Management Office trucks with an ISO loader that is able to lift up to 50,000 pounds. Containers of unserviceable munitions are shipped back to the United States twice a year and frees up crucial storage for resupply, increasing mission readiness capabilities of the 8th Fighter Wing. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▼



Airman 1st Class Aaron Klawitter signals Staff Sgt. Brett Mohney, 8th MXS ammo flight munitions storage and handling technician. The 8th MXS loaded 45 International Organization for Standardization containers, or ISOs, filled with 6,000 pounds of munitions onto Traffic Management Office trucks. The ISO shipping containers with the munitions stored inside weigh roughly 20,000 to 35,000 pounds each. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▼





Senior Airman Harold McIntyre, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment and pavement personnel, removes gravel from a dump truck at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 23, 2020. Repairing landscaping, drainage, fencing, concrete and asphalt and even snow removal are just a few of the capabilities that the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron provides when maintaining the infrastructure. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ◀

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If there is a deficiency in the airfield's concrete, such as a crack or pot hole, there is a step-by-step process that the Dirt Boys follow: mark the area off with spray paint, cut it out with a handheld concrete saw, use a jack hammer to break it all apart, vacuum out loose debris to prevent foreign object debris then fill the hole with concrete. Lastly, once the concrete is in place, a curing compound is put in place to help prevent further cracking in the future.

This is just one example of the processes that CE uses to maintain the base's roadways. The process is done quickly so that flying operations and the mission can resume. Without their continuous maintenance, the runway would eventually fall apart making them a vital entity.

"The most rewarding aspect of our job is just knowing the impact on the mission that we have," said Eyl. "If we aren't out there doing our job then the planes can't fly."

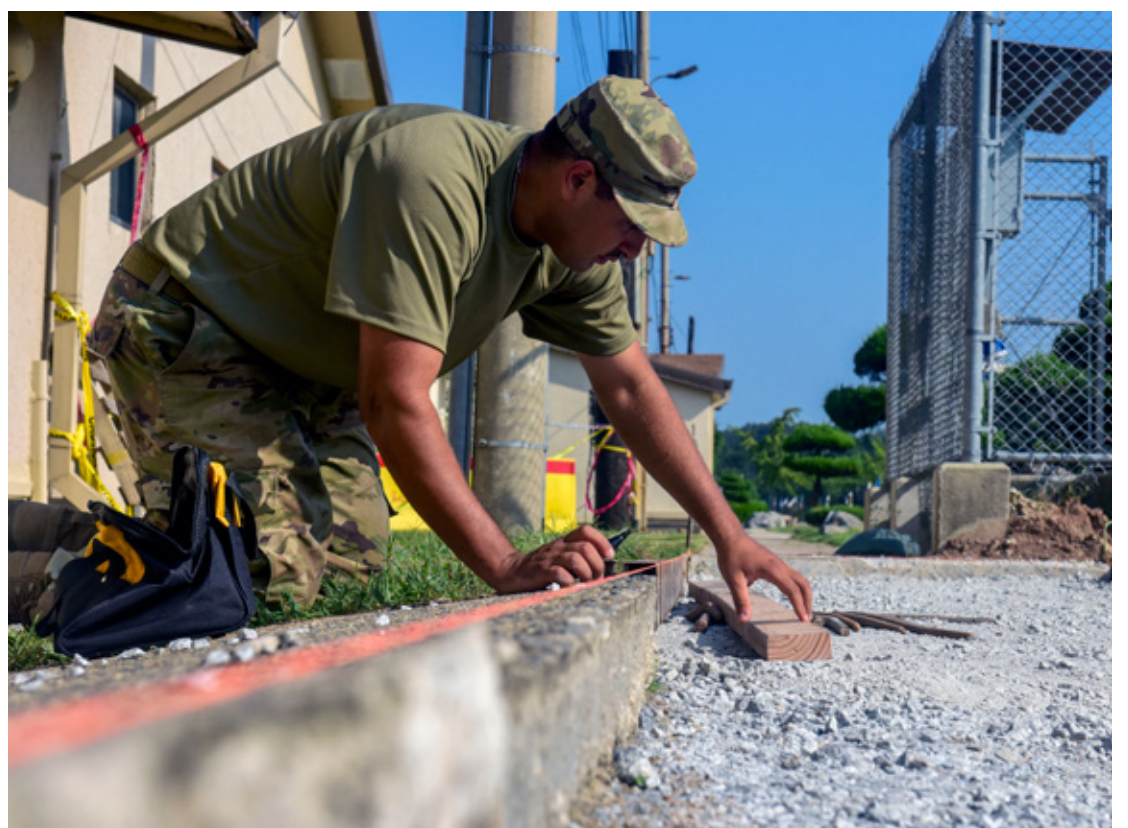


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Staff Sgt. Jimmy Noriega, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment and pavement craftsman, measures the sidewalk for construction at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 23, 2020. This sidewalk construction is part of the final stages of a larger road work project located in front of the Community Bank. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▼



Senior Airman Harold McIntyre, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment and pavement personnel, cuts wood with a saw at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 23, 2020. Heavy equipment and pavement personnel do everything from operating heavy construction equipment to detonating explosives when maintaining the facilities used on base every day. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jessica Blair) ▲





Matt Chasen, LIFT Aircraft chief executive officer, pilots the electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) Hexa over Camp Mabry, Texas, Aug. 20, 2020. During the visit, Col. Nathan Diller, AFWERX director, spoke about Agility Prime, a non-traditional program seeking to accelerate the commercial market for advanced air mobility vehicles. (Air National Guard photo by Staff. Sgt. Sean Kornegay)

Air Force Top Leaders Witness First Agility Prime “Flying Car” Demo

By AFWERX Public Affairs

AUSTIN, Texas (AFNS) -- Secretary of the Air Force Barbara Barrett, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Charles Q. Brown, Jr., and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force JoAnne S. Bass came together to witness the advances in electric vertical takeoff and landing flight (eVTOL) at Camp Mabry, Aug. 20.

Exactly 112 years after the Wright Brothers delivered their first military aircraft, top Air Force leaders gathered with their Texas National Guard hosts and AFWERX personnel to watch the first Agility Prime ORB flight demonstration.

The demonstration was presented by LIFT Aircraft, a Texas-based Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) contract recipient, as one of the first companies of its size to join the Agility Prime “Air Race to Certification.”

Agility Prime is a program with a vision of world impact,” Barrett said during the program’s launch in April 2020. “The thought of an electric vertical take-off and landing vehicle — a flying car — might seem straight out of a Hollywood movie, but by partnering



Secretary of the Air Force Barbara Barrett learns about the details of the Hexa, an electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft, from Matt Chasen, LIFT Aircraft chief executive officer, and hears how AFWERX’s Agility Prime plans to fly the vehicle at Camp Mabry, Texas, Aug. 20, 2020. During the visit, Col. Nathan Diller, AFWERX director, spoke about Agility Prime, a non-traditional program seeking to accelerate the commercial market for advanced air mobility vehicles. (Air National Guard photo by Staff. Sgt. Sean Kornegay)

Air Force Chief of Staff Charles Q. Brown, Jr., sits in a LIFT Aircraft Hexa aircraft during a visit to Camp Mabry, Texas, Aug. 20, 2020. During the visit, Col. Nathan Diller, AFWERX director, spoke about Agility Prime, a non-traditional program seeking to accelerate the commercial market for advanced air mobility vehicles. (Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Sean Kornegay) ▶

today with stakeholders across industries and agencies, we can set up the United States for this aerospace phenomenon.”

In the heat of the afternoon, Matthew Chasen, LIFT chief executive officer, piloted the Hexa over the Camp Mabry parade ground, just a few miles from downtown Austin.

We now have over fifteen of the leading aircraft manufacturers in the world applying to partner with Agility Prime, with many of them already on contract,” said Col. Nathan Diller, AFWERX director and Agility Prime lead. “This flight today marks the first of many demonstrations and near term flight tests designed to reduce the technical risk and prepare for Agility Prime fielding in 2023.”



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Upon arrival at Diego Garcia, members began a second 14-day restricted movement phase to ensure local personnel and their mission remained unaffected.

During this restricted movement phase, members prepared for the arrival of the B-2 Spirit Stealth Bomber to demonstrate Air Force Global Strike Command’s ability to deliver lethal, ready, long-range strike options to Geographic Combatant Commanders anytime, anywhere.

Other protective measures also remain in place, such as social distancing, hand washing, and wearing masks when social distancing cannot be maintained.

The additional precautions allowed all members of the 393rd EBS to lead the way and support the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command’s mission to ensure a free and open Indo-Pacific region and demonstrate the B-2 Spirit’s capabilities across the world.



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Samuel Medina, Staff Sgt. Mark Farrar, and Senior Airman Robert Witkowski, maintainers assigned to the 393rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, prepare to marshal a B-2 Spirit Stealth Bomber at Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia, to support a bomber task force mission, Aug. 17, 2020. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, deployed members actively employed social distancing measures and mask wearing in order to continue operating U.S. Strategic Command’s dynamic force employment missions in the Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Salazar) ▲

1st Lt. Nathan Munford, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron logistics officer, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, unloads cargo at Naval Support Facility Diego Garcia, August 12, 2020. More than 200 members from Team Whiteman deployed along with three B-2 Spirit Stealth Bombers to support bomber task force missions. Missions such as these test the readiness of the Airmen and equipment, as well as their collective ability to operate at forward locations. U.S. Strategic Command routinely conducts operations across the globe to demonstrate U.S. commitment to the security and stability of the Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Heather Salazar) ◀



25th Fighter Squadron warthogs operate on Guam

An A-10 Thunderbolt II assigned to the 25th Fighter Squadron (FS), Osan Air Base, South Korea, taxis down the runway after a routine flying mission at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 17, 2020. The 25th FS deployed to Andersen to conduct routine flight training, wingman tactics familiarization and air refueling. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Michael S. Murphy) ▲

**By Senior Airman Michael S. Murphy
36th Wing Public Affairs**

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam -- The 25th Fighter Squadron (FS), assigned to the 51st Fighter Wing, Osan Air Base, South Korea, are honing their flight skills while at the Farallon de Medinilla Range (FDM Range), Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands while deployed here, Aug. 10- 21.

The 25th FS regularly participates in training events that take place in the Indo-Pacific, such as Cobra Gold and the Rim of the Pacific. Through events like these, the 25th FS is able to strengthen and build relationships with partner nations and improve their capabilities in protecting American interest.

“Having the chance to come to Andersen demonstrates our capability to quickly relocate, establish, and operate our force wherever we may be needed at any time,” said U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. Austin Lasch, A-10 pilot. “We will be ready to operate side-by-side with our allies when needed, and our combined training in the Indo-Pacific region will allow us to do so seamlessly.”

Lasch explained that their primary mission is to maintain peace and stability across the Indo-Pacific, which requires well-trained Airmen and proven techniques.

“The training we’re getting here is fantastic because it allows the pilots to practice and refine their weapons delivery,” Lasch stated. “We can practice various delivery techniques and see what works best in different situations. Having the FDM range at our disposal has been invaluable.”

The change in pace for the 25th Aircraft Maintenance Unit (AMU) gives a better idea of what their job will look like while deployed.



Airmen assigned to the 25th Aircraft Maintenance Unit (AMU), Osan Air Base (OAB), South Korea, prepare an A-10 Thunderbolt II for a routine training mission at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 17, 2020. The 25th AMU and the 25th Fighter Squadron, OAB, deployed to Andersen to conduct routine flight training, wingman tactics familiarization and air refueling. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Michael S. Murphy) ▲



Airmen from the Pennsylvania and Mississippi Air National Guard perform preflight inspections in support of 25th Fighter Squadron A-10 Thunderbolt II’s conducting a routine training mission at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 19, 2020. The Air National Guard fills the need for in-air refueling so that missions can continue to operate in the Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Michael S. Murphy) ◀

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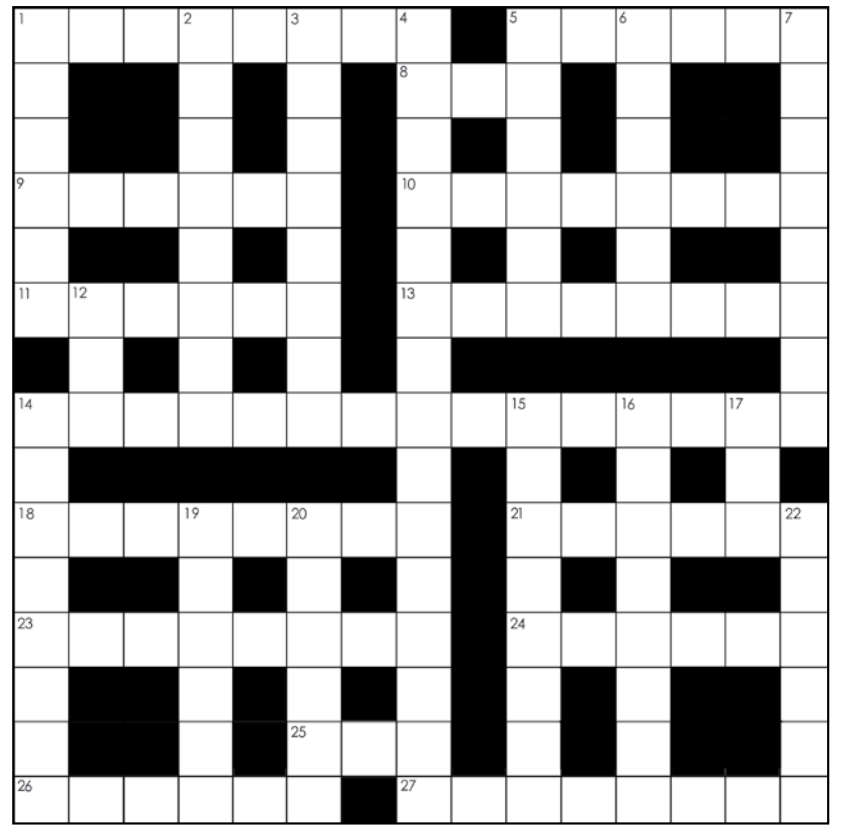


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The Crossword

By Jon Dunbar



ACROSS

- 1 Boot camp activity
- 5 Gypsy
- 8 G2 member
- 9 Northern lights
- 10 Rum cocktail
- 11 French Polynesian island
- 13 ___ Limit Line
- 14 Seoul's landmass
- 18 Funeral announcement section
- 21 Korean robe
- 23 NCO
- 24 Helix pasta
- 25 North Korean ruler family
- 26 TV personality Geraldo
- 27 Devil worshipper

DOWN

- 1 Authoritarian ruler
- 2 Incapable of movement
- 3 Territorial raid
- 4 Missile controllers
- 5 Witty sword
- 6 Astros pitcher Collin
- 7 Rank signifier
- 12 Much ___ about nothing
- 14 Idol, in Korea
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- 16 Economic leverage against North Korea
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Maj. Zane Taylor, U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron "Thunderbirds" slot pilot, flies over Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the opening ceremonies of the 104th Indy 500 in Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 23, 2020. This was the first time the Thunderbirds performed the opening ceremonies for the Indy 500. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Andrew D. Sarver) ▲



Ben, 31st Security Forces Squadron military working dog, smiles for a photo at Aviano Air Base, Italy, Aug. 18, 2020. MWDs provide security, crime-prevention patrols, emergency response and intruder detection. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Ericka A. Woolever) ▲

Two B-52 Stratofortress fly over Royal Air Force Station Fairford, United Kingdom, Aug. 22, 2020. Strategic bombers contribute to European theater stability as they are intended to deter conflict and offer a rapid response capability. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Eugene Oliver) ▼



The sun sets over Dover Air Force Base, Del., as Airmen work on the flightline Aug. 12, 2020. The 436th Airlift Wing generates global strategic airlift with both C-5M Super Galaxy and C-17A Globemaster III aircraft. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Christopher Quail) ◀

Special Tactics operators conduct a static line jump out of a C-130H Hercules, assigned to the 908th Airlift Wing from Maxwell Air Force Base, Ga., following a Rigged Alternate Method Boat package into the water during training at Eglin Air Force Base Range, Fla., Aug. 21, 2020. The training ensured operators are familiar with static line jump procedures and working with a RAMB package for water rescues. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Rose Gudex) ▼



A U.S. Air Force F-15C Eagle releases flares over the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, Aug. 13, 2020. The F-15C is an all-weather, extremely maneuverable tactical fighter designed to perform air-to-air missions, demonstrating U.S. Air Forces Central Command's posture to fight and win today. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Duncan C. Bevan) ▲



Kunsan

- KUNSAN PHOTO CLUB -

Interested in sharing your photography experience with others and exploring Korea along the way? Have a camera, but want to learn how to use it more completely? Then join the Kunsan Photo Club as they delve into the finer qualities of photography where the key concept is: "It's not the camera that makes a great photo, but the photographer." If interested in joining, the group can be found on Facebook, just search for "Kunsan Photo Club."

- WOLF PACK LODGE -

Lodging Space A Policy
Need a break? Got family visiting and no room to house them? You can book

lodging rooms on a space available basis up to 120 days in advance for a maximum of 30 days depending on availability. You can also book reservations for the holiday season (November and December) up to 30 days in advance for a maximum of 15 days. (Depending on availability) Book now for all of those relatives coming for the holiday!

Reservations – Front Desk-DSN 782-1844 or Commercial (82)63-470-1844
FAX: DSN 315-782-0633 Commercial (82)63-470-0633

- SUNDAY SONLIGHT DINNER -

Every Sunday, volunteers from a spe-

cific unit cook dinner for their fellow Wolf Pack members at the Sonlight Inn. The dinner begins at 6 p.m. following grace led by a chaplain. Meals range from "breakfast for dinner" to "Italian cooking" to "Southern style." For more information or to volunteer, contact the chapel at 782-HOPE.

- SPONSOR TRAINING -

Learn creative ways to assist newcomers reporting to Kunsan AB. Registration required. Class is held at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Call 782-5644 for more information, dates or to sign up.

- ROKAF ENGLISH CLASS -

Team 5/6 is looking for volunteers to support the ROKAF English class every Saturday, at the Sonlight Inn. You will be talking to ROKAF Airmen (enlisted) for approximately one hour. This event is open to all ranks! Civilian attire is preferred, however, UOD is allowed. For more information, contact Staff Sgt. Charles Nelson.

- PING PONG TOURNAMENT -

Free to all. Prizes for first and second places. Prizes include Wolf Pack Won. To sign up, dates or for more information, call the CAC at 782-5213 or 4679.

Osan

TUTORING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

We have a tutoring opportunity for grade school to young adults, on base, for all subjects, especially the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). In order to be a volunteer, applicants would have to complete a coach/volunteer application and background check. Interested participants can get additional information at our "Osan AB Tutoring" Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/osantutors/> We meet every Wednesday & Thursday from 1630-1830 at the Base USO.

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

OSAN BASE HONOR GUARD "TO HONOR WITH DIGNITY": Are you highly motivated, dedicated to excellence, and want to be among the sharpest? If the answer is yes, the Osan Honor Guard Team welcomes you! Join us for practice every Tues & Thurs at 1600!

{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.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN ASSOCIATION:

Creating a new Private Organization (Asian Pacific Islander Council). Open to all including spouses, civilians, and different branch. If you are interested in creating and being a part of the group, please email SSgt Sumang Dildanges: dildanges.sumang@us.af.mil

OSAN SPARK: Osan Spark is an installation wide council committed to helping every Airman take their innovative ideas from conception to reality. Our mission and vision is rooted in the ability of each Airman to accomplish this very goal. Our intent is to provide you with an avenue to identify problem sets and a way to foster creative ideas to solve these problems. We meet every Wednesday @ 1530!

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!

ROLLER DERBY:

Do you like to skate? Want to learn how to skate? Or learn how to play roller derby? Message us for more info on our page at <https://m.facebook.com/OHDerbyKorea/?ref=bookmarks!>

AIR FORCE VIRTUAL EDUCATION CENTER:

The new Air Force Virtual Education Center (AFVEC) is currently working intermittently Air Force wide. Please be patient & keep trying to access it. When accessing AFVEC or trying to get MilTA approval in AFVEC from your supervisor, use Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge. Please contact the Education Center at 784-4220 or 51fss.fsde@us.af.mil for further questions/concerns. Thank you!

AFCEA HOSTED GUEST SPEAKER: 3D AFSC TRANSFORMATION:

AFCEA is hosting guest speaker CMSgt Stephanie Chrisman for her discussion on the 3D to 1D AFSC transformation! Come by for a better understanding on the future of comm career fields in the Air Force. Also, network with the many communications career fields scattered across Osan Air Base over hors d'oeuvres & open bar sponsored by some of AFCEA's industry partners.

OSAN ULTIMATE FRISBEE TOURNAMENT:

What: Osan AB Ultimate Frisbee Tournament
When: August - September

Registration: \$20 per team (minimum 7 players), deadline for sign-up 13 Aug 2020

POCs: SSgt Katreal Boone (katreal.boone@us.af.mil); SSgt Brandon Rowland (brandon.rowland.1@us.af.mil)

AMMO 100% INVENTORY:

A 100% Inventory will be conducted starting on the 12th of September through the 18th of September. During this time AMMO support will be limited. Please ensure all Issue, Turn-in, and Expenditure requests are submitted NLT 2 weeks prior to ensure they are processed in a timely manner.

OSAN AB CGOC QUARTERLY COMMISSIONING PANELIST BRIEFING:

- Interested in applying to a commissioning program?
 - Curious about the different commissioning opportunities?
 - Want to hear from officers that commissioned via the different routes? Then this is the Briefing for You!
- *Mask must be worn at this event.*

STREET REJUVENATION PROJECT - GOOD VIBES ONLY:

PIEF is hosting 'Street Rejuvenation Project', which will be street performances of various genres (busking) in SED every Friday and Saturday from 31 Jul - 7 Nov, 2020. Please see the link for updates! <https://www.facebook.com/goodvibesonly.2020/>

Kunsan's emergency phone numbers

Emergency Services	911		
Off Base/Cell Emergency	063-470-0911	Nurse Advice Line	1-800-723-8255
Crime Stop: (to report a crime)	782-5444	IG Complaints FWA Reporting:	782-4850 (duty hours) 782-4942 (anytime)
Base Locator: (after duty hours)	782-4743	Chaplain (After duty hours)	782-6000
Law Enforcement desk	782-4944	Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)	782-7272
Emergency Leave / Red Cross		782-4601 (on base) 1-800-733-2761 (anytime)	

Osan's emergency phone numbers

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



Army Gen. Mark A. Milley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, presents World War II veteran Lt. Regina Benson with the Joint Service Achievement Medal, July 10, 2020. Benson, an Army nurse stationed in Japan and Hawaii during the war, served in dangerous conditions, endured similar horrors as her battlefield brethren, and ultimately paved the way for women like her to join the military. (Chad J. McNeeley, DOD)

Former Army nurse, 100, recalls World War II experiences

By Terri Moon Cronk, Defense.gov

WASHINGTON -- World War II was raging in 1944. American troops were instrumental in the effort to take back France, including the beach landings in Normandy that caught the Germans off guard. American forces took possession of Rome, and a Soviet counterattack pushed Germany back into Poland.

In the Pacific, Japan had gained more Chinese territory, but the communists' presence limited Japan's success. The Allies fought back by taking Saipan and invading the Philippines.

Meanwhile, in Philadelphia, 24-year-old nurse Regina Benson and three of her nursing school classmates joined the Army Nurse Corps right after graduation to serve their country. They were assigned overseas and remained lifelong friends.

Benson's three brothers were also serving, so for her, joining the Army as a patriotic duty was not unusual.

"She was kind of fearless," her daughter, Phyllis Benson, said in a recent interview.

Benson, of McLean, Virginia, is now 100 years old. She visited the Pentagon recently and was interviewed about her Army Nurse Corps service in Japan, Hawaii and Okinawa, from September 1944 until April 1946.



Retired Army Lt. Gen. Patricia Horoho salutes Regina Benson, 100, a former Army nurse who served in the Pacific Theater during World War II, at the Women in Military Service for America Memorial during filming for an upcoming video project at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Va., July 10, 2020. Horoho, a nurse, was the 43rd Army surgeon general and commanding general of the Army Medical Command. She was the first woman and first Army Nurse Corps officer to hold those appointments. (DOD Video Still)



Regina Benson met her husband, Army 1st Lt. William Benson, in Hawaii during World War II when she was stationed there as an Army nurse. (Courtesy photo) ▲

Regina Benson, 100, a former Army nurse who served in the Pacific Theater during World War II, is interviewed at the Pentagon for an upcoming video project, July 10, 2020. (DOD Video Still) ►



While in Hawaii, 2nd Lt. Benson met her future husband, Army 1st Lt. William Benson, who was a supply officer and a company commander. He stayed in the Army Reserve, reaching the rank of lieutenant colonel. When Regina left the Army in 1946, she became a civilian surgical nurse, her daughter said.

Benson had some harrowing experiences during her wartime service in the Pacific.

"We were on a ship going across the Pacific, and we hit a bad storm," Benson said. "So, the captain decided we would go down with the ship, and of course, everybody got on their knees and prayed and promised God many things. Then all of a sudden, the ship calmed down, and we went through the eye of the storm and everybody went back to what they were doing."

After the Japanese announced their surrender on Aug. 15, 1945, and formally signed an agreement Sept. 2, American service members were welcomed into the homes of Japanese, Benson said. "We ate dinner with them, talked to them and stayed in some of the Japanese homes," she said, adding that the Americans shared their rations with the Japanese.

She remembers well, the day the Japanese surrendered. "I was delighted, but the Japanese [troops] in the hills didn't know that World War II was over, and they came down [from the hills] shooting at us," she said. She said she jumped for joy when the war was over so she could return home, get married and work as a civilian nurse.

Benson believes "the United States is the greatest country in the world because of its

freedoms and because people can carry out their dreams." If she could speak to younger generations today, she said she would tell them "to love their country, and remember the price [service members] paid for your freedom. Remain true to your country. We can pursue our dreams and hopes."

Regina Benson worked 12-hour shifts in Army hospitals in the Pacific; on wards and in operating rooms. She said the most important thing she did during the war was "to give comfort to those troops who were dying."

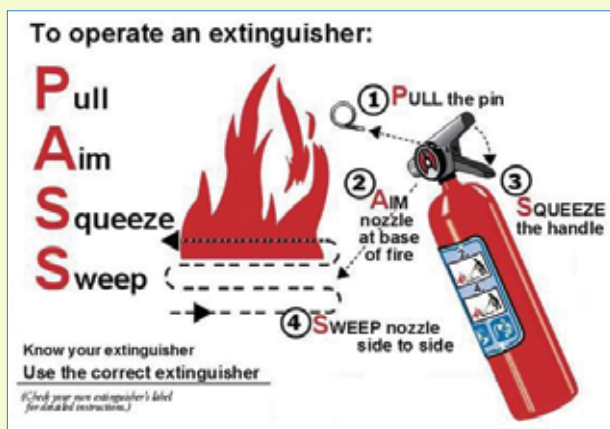
According to Benson, the most rewarding part of her Army nursing career was to be able to tell the mother of a young service member that their son did not die alone, because she was there with them.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER SAFETY

Section 1

Do you know how to use a fire extinguisher? Let's look at this picture.

Pull the pin.
Aim the nozzle to the base of fire.
Squeeze the handle.
Sweep the nozzle side to side.



Section 2

Fires can be very dangerous and you should always be certain that you will not endanger yourself or others when attempting to put out a fire.

When you try to extinguish a fire, you have to think about these things.

1. **KNOW** what is burning. If you don't know what's burning, you won't know what kind of extinguisher to use.
2. **HAVE** adequate or appropriate equipment.
3. If you are uncomfortable with the situation for any reason:

It is best not to try fighting the fire. Let the fire department do their job.

4. Is the fire spreading rapidly beyond the point where it started? The time to use an extinguisher is at the beginning stages of the fire.
5. If the fire is already spreading quickly, it is best simply to evacuate the building.
6. As you evacuate a building, close doors and windows behind you as you leave. This will help to slow the spread of smoke and fire.

Remember when you try fighting the fire. Always position yourself with an exit or means of escape at your back before you attempt to use an extinguisher to put out a fire. If the extinguisher malfunctions, or something unexpected happens, you need to be able to get out quickly. You don't want to become trapped.

Section 3

Right to know toxic information.

When you were fighting the fire, you might inhale toxic gas. When synthetic materials such as the nylon in carpeting or foam padding in a sofa burn, they can produce hydrogen cyanide, and ammonia in addition to carbon monoxide. These gases can be fatal in very small amounts.

If you have any question, feel free to call fire prevention office, contact number is 784-4835.

Spiritual Charge

The Road Less Traveled

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;
Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,
And both that morning equally lay
In leaves, no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.
I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference
-Robert Frost

In this famous poem, Robert Frost reminds us that some roads are similar but you can only travel one. Therefore, take your time and make the best decision before traveling down a particular road of life. I have made many choices in my lifetime; some good, some bad. Here are some things to consider as you travel down the road of life.

First, you must make a decision. Life is about making decisions. If you fail to make decisions, your life can become stagnated with complacency and boredom. Making a decision begins with a thought, followed by a choice and then the action. Indecisiveness has a tendency to hold your destiny hostage. You can't rehearse

life; you have to live it. Choose a road, face your challenges, and don't allow your challenges to become your character. You will make some mistakes along the way but those mistakes can be transformed into triumph.

Second, don't be afraid to travel. Fear has the proclivity to paralyze our dreams and aspirations. Not knowing what is down the road is daunting. Fear is the drum major for disappointment. Being resilient is about overcoming our fears and challenges. Fear and excuses are jointed with the ligaments of regret. Many people look back on their lives with regret, wishing that they had traveled down a different road. Fear and doubt look for excuses not to travel. In contrast, faith can give you courage and strength as you look for opportunities to move forward. Life is full of opportunities. I remember when I was in airborne school at Fort Benning, Georgia, I was fearful, but I converted my fear into faith. I believed God created me to be victorious in all situations. In tough situations, you have to make a decision to be powerful or pitiful.

Third, travel the road less traveled with great expectations. I grew up in Live Oak, Florida, a small farming town located just south of the Georgia border. My family owned a farm, and we worked in the sweltering sun every day. One particularly hot day, I was riding on the back of an old work truck traveling down a hot dusty road to another tobacco farm. Across me sat an old man who had spent his entire life working the fields. As the sweat ran down his face, he looked at me with weary and tired eyes. The only reward for his 45 years of service was a pair of

weathered hands and a stiff back. But he was not the only traveling down the farmhand road. I too was heading in the same direction! As I looked over at the old man, I realized that my

life was at a crossroads. I could live my life working in the fields or I could choose to go down a different road. I decided to go to college. Nobody on the truck had gone to college and most of them had never graduated from high school. I am glad I traveled the road less traveled and it has made all the difference.

Finally, be committed to your choice. If you stumble on your journey, get up, and continue to move forward. Falling is not a problem, but staying down is a problem. If you fall, remember, you have a choice to be pitiful or powerful. I suggest the latter. Be powerful and get up! Winston

Churchill once famously said, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts" Travel the road less traveled and see what life has to offer!



By Chaplain, Lt. Col. Dwayne Jones

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

Visit us on SharePoint:
<https://kunsan.eis.pacaf.af.mil/8FW/HC>

OSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services

-Community Service @ 1030
-Gospel Service @ 1230
Regular Occuring Ministries:
PYOC: (Middle School & High School Students)
- Mondays—1830-2000 @ Chapel Spiritual Fitness Center.
PCOC: (AWANA)
- Wednesdays @ Chapel. Age 3 to 6th grade meet 1800-1930 & grades 7th-12th meet 1700-1800 .
PMOC: (Men)
- Tuesdays - 1830 @ Chapel Annex.
PSOC: (Singles & Unaccompanied) "Osan Hospitality House"
- Bible Studies:
*Saturdays - 1900 @ Hospitality House. Dinner is provided.
Sundays - 1700 @ Community Center, Classroom #3.
- Game Night:
*Fridays - 1900 @ Hospitality House. Dinner is provided.
*Van pickup: Fridays: Chapel @ 1730, Mustang CTR @ 1735.
Saturdays: Chapel @ 1830, Mustang CTR @ 1835.
PWOC: (Women) "PWOC Osan AB"
- Mondays 1800-2000, Tuesdays 0845-1100 @ Chapel Annex (Child Watchcare provided) & Sunday 1600-1730 @ Posco Apartments .
MOPS: Join us for OSAN MOPS!
- Meet twice a month on Wednesday @ the Chapel Annex
Contact: osanmops@gmail.com

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

Catholic Mass

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

Catholic Ministries

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

Knights of Columbus & Baptism classes
Meet monthly, Pls call 784-5000

Other Faith Groups

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

Point of Contact:
Osan Chapel, 784-5000

Visit us on SharePoint:
<https://osan.eim.pacaf.af.mil/51FW/51FW-HC/default.aspx>
Visit us on Facebook (OSAN AB CHAPEL)
<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABChapel>

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Protestant Services

Traditional Service
Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Sunday, 9:30 a.m.
Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel
Contemporary Service
Sunday, 9 a.m.
South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
K-16 Chapel
Nondenominational Service
Sunday, 11 a.m.
South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702
Gospel Service
Sunday, 1 p.m.
South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702
Pentecostal
Sunday, 1:30 p.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Latter Day Saints (LDS)
Sunday, 4 p.m.
South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702
Seventh-Day Adventist
Saturday, 9:30 a.m.
Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel
KATUSA
Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597

Catholic Mass

Sunday, 8 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Saturday, 5 p.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
1st Saturday, 9 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
M/W/T/F, 11:45 a.m.
Memorial Chapel, Bldg 1597
Tuesday, 11:45 p.m.
Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel

General Service

Episcopal Service
Sunday, 11 a.m.
Brian Allgood Hospital Chapel
Jewish
Friday, 7 p.m.
South Post Chapel, Bldg 3702



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

Travis AFB firefighters help community battle Solano wildfires

By Nicholas Pilch
60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AFNS) -- Airmen from Travis Air Force Base's 60th Civil Engineer Squadron responded to the LNU Lightning Complex fire to support the Vacaville Fire Protection District's firefighting effort, Aug. 19.

The fire started in Napa, California as the result of a lightning storm, and quickly spread through the area to Vacaville and Fairfield – both of which border Travis AFB. Tens of thousands of people were forced to evacuate their homes in Napa and Solano counties through the duration of the day.

In the early hours of Aug. 19th, Travis AFB initially dispatched a four-person crew to the Cherry Glenn area to safeguard homes. Over the course of the next 48 hours, the base dispatched 28 firefighters with Beale AFB contributing an additional eight firefighters, four from a specialty wildfire unit. The 36 firefighters were dispatched to 10 locations.

"A lot of the fire was not directly near the road," said Kevin Bouillon, 60th CES battalion chief. "The crews had to connect hoses together that reached as long as a thousand feet because the fire needed to be extinguished."

The 60th CES dispatched five trucks in total, one normally being a specialty truck used to put out fires on aircraft.

"Containing the fire is difficult because winds shifted later in the day," said Staff Sgt. James Muncy, 60th CES crew chief. "Trees were falling, and various fires were reigniting."

Muncy also said the fire needed as much containment as possible, so more crews dispatched from Travis AFB.

Ricardo Campos, 60th CES captain, and his crew were initially dispatched near Interstate 80; however, they were re-routed to prevent the destruction of a neighborhood near Sales Lane in Fairfield.

"If the fire broke through, there it would've been possible for that fire to take out acres of land passing through those residences and would destroy possibly hundreds of acres of residential homes past it," Campos said.

As of Aug. 21, firefighters from across the county are actively trying to contain the fire in Napa and Solano counties.

"A fire this size, there is no way you can contain it in a day," said Bouillon. "The ongoing relationship with the local stations allows us to assist in working a fire like this."



Airman 1st Class Ryan Girouex, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter, extinguishes a fire on a shed on Soaring Eagle Trail in Vacaville, Calif., Aug. 20, 2020. The 60th CES loaned 28 personnel and five trucks to aid in the fight against the LNU Lightning Complex Fire, a cluster of fires that forced tens of thousands of people to evacuate their homes. (U.S. Air Force photo by Nicholas Pilch) ▲



Staff Sgt. James Muncy, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron crew chief, puts out burning embers near a residence on Gibson Canyon Road in Vacaville, Calif., Aug. 20, 2020. ▲



Firefighters from the 60th Civil Engineer Squadron and the Vacaville Fire Protection District take a break at Vacaville Fire Protection District Station 64, Vacaville, Calif. ▲



Airman 1st Class Ryan Girouex, left, and Airman 1st Class Brandon Orea, both 60th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighters, walk back to a firetruck after extinguishing a fire on a shed on Soaring Eagle Trail in Vacaville, Calif. ▲



Staff Sgt. Trevor Glass and Airman Joseph Boik, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit armament systems specialists, secure a Joint Direct Attack Munition, or JDAM, onto an F-16 Fighting Falcon at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 16, 2020. Maintainers prepare aircraft for flight during routine training events. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Mya M. Crosby) ◀



Staff Sgt. Trevor Glass, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit armament systems specialist, climbs out of an F-16 Fighting Falcon canopy at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 16, 2020. Maintenance Airmen perform pre- and post-flight inspections on aircraft, allowing them to use the cockpit and operate aerospace ground equipment to ensure the aircraft is mission ready. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Mya M. Crosby) ▲



Senior Airman Christian Vasser, 8th Maintenance Squadron line delivery augmentee, and Senior Airman Travis Shields, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit line delivery crew chief, secure chaff and flares at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, Aug. 16, 2020. Chaff is used as a self-defense mechanism by distracting radar-guided missiles with tiny aluminum fibers, while flares are a countermeasure to adversaries' infrared surface-to-air or air-to-air missiles. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Mya M. Crosby) ◀

Aircraft maintainers behind every takeoff



Staff Sgt. Trevor Glass and Senior Airman Fariq Islam, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons armament systems specialists, prepare to mount a Joint Direct Attack Munition, or JDAM, onto an F-16 Fighting Falcon. Maintainers prepare aircraft for flight during routine training events. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Mya M. Crosby) ▲

Staff Sgt. Robert Marston, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief, secures a liquid oxygen converter. LOX is pressurized and cooled into a liquid state in order to transport it more efficiently from cryogenic tanks to aircraft. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Mya M. Crosby) ◀

AFPC matches first child custody assignment

By Traci Howells, Air Force's Personnel Center Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas (AFNS) -- A Luke Air Force Base, Arizona Airman was granted the first court-ordered child custody assignment recently, just one day after the application process opened.

Master Sgt. William Rotroff, an F-35 integrated section chief with the 756th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was notified that his application was approved less than 24 hours after he submitted his package.

"I was in shock," Rotroff said. "I know the assignment process is busy, with a lot of moving parts. I'm just so grateful to the assignments team and everyone that was involved with making this happen."

Rotroff's commander, Maj. Joseph Langan, said he had the honor of delivering the good news in person and that Rotroff was overjoyed.

"One of the greatest parts about being a squadron commander is that I have the ability and authority to fix many problems for my Airmen relatively quickly," Langan said. "Sometimes the problems are messy and have complex solutions, but this was one of the easiest and most satisfying wins I've had during my time in command."

Rotroff said he found himself in a unique position when his overseas orders cancelled unexpectedly, after he already helped relocate his ex-wife and their four-year-old son to Florida, where she would have a stronger support system in his absence.

He remembered the Air Force recently announced a change in policy that now considers child custody agreements when granting Airmen assignments and deferments, so he contacted his local military personnel flight for more information. He went through the requirements carefully to ensure he was a qualified applicant and submitted his package, expecting to receive a

decision back in approximately 30 days.

Cristi Bowes, military assignment policy and procedures at the Air Force's Personnel Center, credited Rotroff for being proactive and having all of his documentation readily available, which she said contributed to the quick turnaround time. Additionally, she said assignment teams were trained and ready to accept and review requests immediately after the application was made available to Airmen.

"We deliberately designed the process to have minimal required coordination to enable the process to be swift for Airmen and their families," she said.

"This program truly shows how the Air Force cares for their Airmen and families," she said. "It provides an opportunity for Airmen to continue serving in the greatest Air Force in the world and not have to choose between their career and their children."

Chief Master Sgt. Daniel Hoglund, AFPC command chief, said he commends the Air Force for taking bold action to get where it is today.

"The ability to take a vision and turn it into reality has set a mark for future programs to continue to generate wins for our Airmen and families," he said. "I look forward to this program running on all cylinders and becoming normal muscle movement for our assignment functional managers in our operations execution directorate."

He added that it takes a team of experts working behind the scenes to ensure these programs are successful.

"The assignment functional managers and policy experts are merging art with science to create positive outcomes for our Airmen," Hoglund said.

Master Sgt. William Rotroff, an F-35 integrated section chief with the 756th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and his son, Chevy, pose for a photo in Jacksonville, Fla., April 2020. Rotroff recently received the first approved application for a court-ordered child custody assignment and is scheduled to join his son in Florida this fall. (U.S. Air Force courtesy photo) ▼



Rotroff said he expects to arrive in Florida just in time for his son's fifth birthday and said that it would be a huge gift to both of them.

"Everyone's situation is different, everyone's urgency is different, but it's a blessing this program exists," Rotroff said. "I'm thankful my son will be able have his mom and dad; his happiness means the world to me."

The Court-Ordered Child Custody Assignment or Deferment consideration program is applicable to officer and enlisted regular Air Force Airmen on active duty for those that meet the program eligibility requirements and when manning at current and gaining location will support reassignment action.

Visit the Personnel Services Delivery Guide for more information about the program, eligibility criteria, and how to apply.

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"We get a really big sense of accomplishment out here, especially when we get to travel," said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Isaac Quintana, 25th AMU A-10 crew chief. "It shows us that we get to do real mission work. The workload changes when you are home compared to when you are deployed, and this environment simulates more of a deployed environment while still being labeled as training."

Quintana said that doing training missions like this puts crew chiefs in positions of safe freedom. Safe freedom meaning that a crew chief can make a call and then find out it wasn't necessarily the best one to make, but supervisors and superintendents are watching and working alongside crew chiefs to teach and increase overall capabilities in the AMU.

"It's really about how to be independent on your own jet," Quintana said. "You get to make calls out here that normally you wouldn't get to make back at home station. It gives Airmen more leadership opportunities."



U.S. Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt IIs assigned to the 25th Fighter Squadron, Osan Air Base, South Korea, fly in formation during a routine training mission in the Indo-Pacific, over the Farallon de Medinilla Range, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Aug. 19, 2020. The 25th FS deployed to Andersen to conduct routine flight training, wingman tactics familiarization and air refueling. The FDM Range is an uninhabited island commonly used for routine flight training. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Michael S. Murphy) ◀



Explore the Beauty of Namhae & the Korean Archipelago

Officially called Namhaedo Island, Namhae in Gyeongsangnam-do is the fifth largest island in Korea and just one of the 70-plus islands off the southern coast that make up the Korean archipelago. A large section of the area was designated as Hallyeohaesang National Park and boasts an outstanding natural environment with splendid landscapes. Namhae in particular features the rice paddies of Gacheon Daraengi Village, developed by the local people; Geumsan Mountain, part of the Hallyeohaesang National Park overlooking the sea; and Jukbangryeom in the Jijok Strait, a time-honored fishing practice in Korea; all of which were designated places of scenic beauty by the government. Another interesting traditional feature is Mulgeon Windbreak Forest, a designated natural monument that serves to both block the sea breeze and lure fish. Set off to Namhae for beautiful seascapes and scenic views unique to Korea!



◀ Man-made waves on land, Gacheon Daraengi Village

Nam-myeon in Namhae-gun mostly consists of coastal cliffs. As such, it is exposed to the rough sea winds and has poor quality soil. Gacheon Daraengi Village is backed by Seolheulsan Mountain (480 meters above sea level) and faces a steep coastal cliff. The village is famous for its terraced paddy fields, not found to this degree anywhere else in Korea. These terraced paddy fields were artificially created on the mountain slope to make way for rice farming. The size of each terrace depends on the degree of the slope.

Just beyond the village, the road divides into a coastal path and Gacheon Jiget-gil Trail, a walking path leading to the terraced fields. If you go down to the coast, you will be walking on a suspension bridge connected to the bedrock; the view of the waves crashing down below the cliffs is splendid.

- **Address:** 21, Nammyeon-ro 679beon-gil, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do
- **Website:** darangyi.go2vil.org (Korean, English)

▶ Local fishing method, Jukbangryeom

Jukbangryeom is a unique fishing practice that can only be seen in Namhae. The name refers to the bamboo poles used to set a trap in an open-fan shape. This V-shaped installation on the sea can be seen from Changseongyo Bridge. The trap is usually used to catch anchovies, but can also be used for hairtail, mackerel pike, pomfret, and shrimp. In particular, jukbang myeolchi, anchovy caught in Jukbangryeom, commands the highest price and is sold nationwide. There are many restaurants within Namhae that offer dishes made of anchovies such as the myeolchi ssambap (anchovy and vegetable wraps with rice) and myeolchi hoe (raw anchovy).

Get a taste of the local cuisine while catching the sunset over Jijok Strait.

- **Address:** Area of Jijok Strait, Samdong-myeon, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do



◀ Where the forest and sea meet, Mulgeon Windbreak Forest

Looking down below from the German Village, you will see a long line of trees on the coast that make up the Mulgeon Windbreak Forest. The trees were planted about 300 years ago to protect the village against vigorous sea winds as well as attract fish with the vivid green colors of the leaves.

- **Address:** 59, Dongbu-daero 1030beon-gil, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do

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◀ A temple among the clouds, Geumsan Boriam Hermitage

With a name that means beautiful as silk, Geumsan Mountain is a significant mountain that represents Namhae and is a part of the Hallyeohaesang National Park. Located just below the summit of Geumsan Mountain is Boriam Hermitage. Legend has it that visitors will be granted one wish at this temple. The temple's statue of the Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva overlooking the Namhae region is one of the three major Avalokitesvara Bodhisattva statues in Korea. To save time and energy, you can drive up the mountain until just below the hermitage. From the summit of Geumsan, you can get a bird's-eye-view of Sangju Silver Sand Beach below, which blends well with the surrounding mountains and cliffs. The view of Hallyeohaesang National Park from Boriam Hermitage is recognized as one of the best scenic views in Namhae.

- **Address:** 665, Boriam-ro, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do
- **Admission:** Adults (ages 19-64) 1,000 won / Free for children & senior citizens



▶ A trip to mini Germany, German Village in Korea

The German Village was built to accommodate Koreans who returned after having lived in Germany for many years. The village is home to many beautiful residential buildings with white exteriors and orange roofs. Most of the buildings have a German name like Heidelberg or Frankfurt. As you walk up to the village from its entrance, you can get a better view of the colorful village blending strikingly well with the blue sea. Visitors can also get a firsthand experience of German culture by visiting the Namhae German Exhibition Hall, German Culture Experience Center, and House N Garden. If you're hungry, feast on German sausage and craft beer!

- **Address:** 92, Dogil-ro, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do



◀ Enjoy water activities at Sangju Silver Sand Beach & Dumo Village

With clean, clear water and a quality mud flat, the sea of Namhae is great for water sports. The most famous beach in Namhae is Sangju Silver Sand Beach, named for the beautiful sandy beach. The 2 kilometer-long pine tree grove surrounding the sandy beach in a semi-circle offers another splendid scene. With Mokseom Island in front of the fan-shaped beach and the mountains on either side, the beach forms gentle waves and shallow waters, making it ideal for swimming and water activities.

The nearby Dumo Village is well-known for leisure sports like sea rafting, and kayaking, as well as fishing and mudflat activities like collecting littleneck clams. In addition, Dumo Village blossoms with canola flowers in spring and buckwheat in fall, providing splendid scenery all year round.

- **Address:** Sangju Silver Sand Beach: 10-3, Sangju-ro, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do / Dumo Village: 18, Yanga-ro 533beon-gil, Namhae-gun, Gyeongsangnam-do