

# Crimson Sky



U.S. Air Force Col. Billy Edmonds (left) 607th Air Support Operations Group commander, and U.S. Air Force Lt. Col Kevin Bourne, 607th Combat Weather Squadron commander unfurls a new unit guidon during a redesignation ceremony at Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Jun. 1, 2021. During the ceremony, the 607th Weather Squadron guidon was furled and cased, as the new guidon was presented officially redesignating the unit as the 607th Combat Weather Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Nicole Molignano)

## Air Force Weather Squadrons redesignated as Combat Weather Squadrons

By Staff Sgt. Hailey Haux  
Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

**JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii** -- The 607th and 1st Weather Squadrons, who support the Indo-Pacific theater, have been redesignated as Combat Weather Squadrons (CWS).

The 607th CWS out of Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, has a mission to provide accurate, timely, and relevant environmental intelligence, in direct support of U.S. Forces Korea, Eighth Army and subordinate commands' missions.

"Our mission will not change in any way, shape or form," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Kevin Bourne, 607th CSW commander. "The significance of the name change is to paint a clearer picture of what we do as Combat Weather Airmen and differentiate our mission with that of other weather squadrons across the Air Force."

The 1st CWS out of Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington has 90 assigned personnel across six locations throughout the Indo-Pacific region in direct support of I Corps and all subordinate commands and units.

"The redesignation...is a bittersweet moment for this unit as it closes one chapter but begins

another," said Lt. Col. David Finlay, 1st CWS commander. "The mission of the squadron's incredible Airmen is not changing, the unmatched environmental intelligence the squadron provides to the Army is not changing, and the expectation that squadron Airmen will be deployed alongside their aligned Army partners is also not changing with this redesignation. What is changing is that this squadron will be recognized, immediately by name, as a combat squadron providing critical environmental intelligence to the Army and enabling them to be as lethal and combat capable as possible."

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**U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, left, receives the 5th Reconnaissance Squadron guidon from Lt. Col. Eugene Georgescu, 5th RS commander, during the 5th RS change of command at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 4, 2021. This transfer of command is physically represented by passing the guidon, the tangible symbol of the unit, from the out-going commander and incoming. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ▼**



**5th RS  
Change of  
Command**



**U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, left, passes the 5th Reconnaissance Squadron guidon to Lt. Col. Michael Opreško, incoming 5th RS commander, right, during the 5th RS change of command. Opreško assumed command of a large squadron of 220+ Airmen with responsibilities encompassing operations, maintenance and support functions responsible for all U-2 Dragon Lady high altitude reconnaissance in the Pacific theater of operations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ▶**

**604th ASOS  
change of  
command**

**U.S. Air Force Col. William Edmunds, 607th Air Support Operations Group commander, left, delivers the ceremonial guidon to Lt. Col. Raymond Kilroy, 604th Air Support Operations Squadron inbound commander, during a change of command ceremony at U.S. Army Garrison Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, June 3, 2021. By accepting the guidon, Kilroy has ceremonially accepted command of the 604th ASOS. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorraine) ▼**



**Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, Seventh Air Force commander, presents the ceremonial guidon to Col. John Gallemore during the 8th Fighter Wing change of command at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2021. Col. John Gallemore, 8th FW incoming commander, assumed command of the 8th FW from the outgoing commander, Col. Christopher Hammond. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby)**

**Wolf Pack welcomes Wolf 61**

By Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby  
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

**KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea** -- Col. John B. Gallemore, 8th Fighter Wing incoming commander, assumed command of the 8th Fighter Wing from the outgoing commander, Col. Christopher B. Hammond, during their change of command ceremony at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1.

Gallemore, formerly the 57th Operations Group commander, Nellis AFB, Nevada, previously served as Thunderbird 3 and Right Wing, USAF Air Demonstration Squadron, and 80th Fighter Squadron commander, Kunsan AB, before becoming Wolf 61 at the Wolf Pack.

"I am humbled beyond words to be given this chance to lead the Wolf Pack," Gallemore said. "I can't wait to get started. I am truly humbled and honored to have the privilege of serving alongside each and every one of you here at Kunsan Air Base."

In addition to Gallemore and Hammond, Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, Seventh Air Force commander and the presiding officer of the ceremony, also served as the 8th FW commander - Wolf 51.

"It's not lost on any of us the uniqueness of having three Wolves on the stage together," Hammond said. "It's a pretty momentous moment."



**Republic of Korea air force Col. Kim Do-Hyoung, 38th Fighter Group commander, presents the ROK National Security Merit Medal to Col. Christopher Hammond during the 8th FW change of command at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ▲**



The 8th Fighter Wing renders a salute during the 8th FW change of command at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby)

The three officers spent years commanding under the Seventh Air Force priorities, with strengthening the U.S.-ROK alliance being one of them.

"Today is so special and meaningful because it reminds me of why we serve in Korea," Pleus said. "For seven decades the ROK and U.S. alliance has stood steadfast and continues to everyday. A fundamental piece of that is our ironclad alliance."

Shoulder-to-shoulder teamwork not only happens between coalition partners, but within the Wolf Pack, as well. Through COVID-19 quarantines and restrictions, and extreme weather such as monsoons and blizzard storms, the Wolf Pack continued to prevail and get after the mission.

"A year ago, I challenged the Wolf Pack to be ready," Hammond said. "To be ready to be what the Republic of Korea, the U.S. and the world needs us to be, and that's being second to no one in the Indo-Pacific Command or on the face of the earth for that matter."

"You rose to that challenge and exceeded every expectation, everyday, as a team and that is the legacy we leave behind as our contribution to the Wolf Pack heritage. I applaud our leaders, Airmen and Soldiers for all they've accomplished this year. Thank you for letting me be your Wolf and for letting me, Wolf 2 and Wolf Chief serve you this class. God bless the Wolf Pack and God Bless America."



Staff Sgts. Ash Mounts and Kyle Lacy, 35th Fighter Wing crew chiefs, stand at parade rest during the national anthem during the 8th FW change of command at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2021. Col. John Gallemore, 8th FW incoming commander, assumed command of the 8th FW from the outgoing commander, Col. Christopher Hammond. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ◀



Col. John Gallemore, 8th Fighter Wing incoming commander, salutes 8th FW Airmen during the 8th Fighter Wing change of command at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 1, 2021. Col. John Gallemore, 8th FW incoming commander, assumed command of the 8th FW from the outgoing commander, Col. Christopher Hammond. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Steven M. Adkins) ◀

# Bridging the gap between two worlds

By Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov  
8th fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- "I have only known one house before I joined the Air Force, the house in Mission Viejo, California, that I was born and raised in," said Maj. Samuel Han, 8th Comptroller Squadron commander. "Back then there were two Asian kids within our entire community, my brother and myself."

Han described his childhood as ordinary as any other family. He didn't experience any violence or hatred toward his family or his culture.

"We were both pretty fortunate we were like the other kids in the neighborhood," said Han. "Looking back, there would be comments that kind of singled us out because of the way we looked...but it's just kids being kids. I think it was as normal as any other kid living in that neighborhood."

As Han reminisced on his childhood as part of the Asian American Pacific Islander community and being stationed in South Korea, he wished he embraced his culture more.

"We didn't think that being Korean is cool, so as you go through school, you forget Korean and you don't follow the culture and things like that," Han said. "I do regret missing the chance to submerge myself in how I grew up, where I grew up, and the folks I grew up with. I came out here and saw how cool it is."

Although he didn't come from a military background, Han was recruited by the Air Force Academy after graduating high school. For Han, deciding to join was his way to show his gratitude.

"When I was growing up as a child we went through some very tough times, but now my parents and grandparents are relatively comfortable," he added. "I just wanted to pay the nation back and thank them for getting us to this point after having nothing for a while."

More than five out of every 100 Airmen and about four out of every 100 Air Force civilian employees identify as AAPI. Growing up in two different worlds and being the commander of many different agencies around base, Han uses his experiences to bridge gaps and bring people together.

"I love inclusiveness and bringing people together; that's how I try to lead the Wing Staff Agencies," Han said. "We have a lot of different career fields that think differently and look at the Air Force differently but we all seem to get along. That's what I learned growing up in that type of environment."

Since Han joined the military, the Air Force has come a long way in terms of diversity and



inclusion.

"This is probably the most proud I've been with being part of the AAPI community, this year specifically," stated Han. "I don't know if it's because of the Air Force's overarching push for D&I and the understanding that I've had with other communities, but it makes me super proud of what we're doing. We have a story to tell and we have a lot to contribute and I thank all the people that are bold and brave enough to have their voices heard."

Maj. Samuel Han, 8th Comptroller Squadron commander, poses for a photo at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 27, 2021. Han's family immigrated from Busan, South Korea, to Mission Viejo, California, where he and his brother grew up as the only Asians in his community. He joined the Air Force to pay the nation back and thank them for the opportunities his family had since moving to the United States. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov)

The 51st Fighter Wing honor guard posts the colors during the 51st Operations Group change of command ceremony at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. The change of command ceremony is deeply rooted in military tradition that dates back to the reign of King Frederick of Prussia and has persisted into modern day. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange) ▶

Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, left, presents the ceremonial guidon to Col. Matthew Gaetke, 51st Operations Group inbound commander, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. From this moment onward, Gaetke is now officially the commander of the 51st OG. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange) ▼



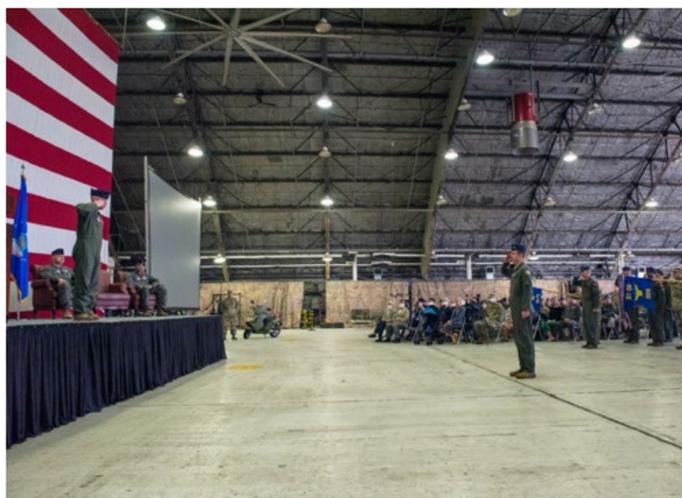
# 51st OG change of command



Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, left, awards the Legion of Merit to Col. David Raymond, 51st Operations Group outbound commander, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. Raymond earned this award for his exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of his duties as 51st OG commander. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange) ▼



Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, speaks at the 51st Operations Group change of command ceremony. As the presiding officer, Gonzales facilitated the transition of 51st OG command by receiving the ceremonial guidon from the outgoing officer and presenting it to the incoming officer. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange) ▼



Col. Matthew Gaetke, 51st Operations Group inbound commander, receives his first salute as the new commander from 51st OG Airmen at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. From this point on, the 51st OG has officially recognized Gaetke as their new commander. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange) ▲



Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, smiles after his final flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. Hammond served a short tour at Kunsan as the 60th commander, also known as Wolf 60, and will continue his Air Force career serving as the Senior Air Force Planner for Joint Chiefs of Staff and National Security Council Matter, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon, Washington D.C. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ▶



# Wolf Pack celebrates Wolf 60 final flight



Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, poses with 8th FW Airmen after his final flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ◀

Col. Chris Hammond, 8th Fighter Wing commander, speaks to 8th FW Airmen after his final flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ▼



Col. Michael Richard, 8th Fighter Wing vice commander, hugs Col. Chris Hammond, 8th FW commander, in celebration after his final flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Mya M. Crosby) ▲





Airmen of the 607th Combat Weather Squadron don new unit patches during a redesignation ceremony at Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Jun. 1, 2021. The redesignation to a combat squadron highlights how these Airmen train and deploy with the U.S. Army, requiring them to perform to new tactical and training standards. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Nicole Molignano) ▲



Capt. Lynsie Schwerer, Officer In Charge, Brigade Weather Operations, assigned to Detachment 3, 1st Combat Weather Squadron, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, performs a snow depth measurement during Arctic Survival Training. (Courtesy photo) ▲

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With the creation of the U.S. Air Force in 1947 came an agreement that the Air Force would continue environmental and weather support for Army aviation and resource protection, thus having Airmen on Army installations providing accurate, timely and relevant environmental intelligence. Those units have always been in the locations needed, they just needed the name to go along with the mission.

"This helps our weather teams establish a working rapport with our supported units' personnel and staffs and develop a bond of working trust necessary in our line of work," Bourne said. "This full integration allows us to inject ourselves in every step of the Military Decision Making Process and fully exploit the environment during combat operations, highlighting operational impacts of both friend and foe."

These new Combat Weather Airmen will be required to accomplish additional training and will learn Warrior Skills not usually required for Weather Airmen.

The Combat Weather Airmen Career Field Education and Training Plan states that Airmen will understand Army tactics, terminology, doctrine, organization and equipment; qualify annually on the M4 Carbine Assault Rifle and M9 Beretta Pistol; combat land navigation; complete an Army Weather Support Course; and the Evasion and Conduct After Capture Course, among many other additional requirements.

"A redesignated unit will still only be as



The 607th Combat Weather Squadron poses for a photo during a redesignation ceremony at Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Jun. 1, 2021. During the ceremony, the 607th Weather Squadron guidon was furled and cased, as the new guidon was presented officially re-designating the unit as the 607th Combat Weather Squadron. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Nicole Molignano) ▲

good as the Airmen are at supporting that unit's mission," Finlay said. "The 1st Combat Weather Squadron, recognized by Headquarters Air Force Weather Operations as the only habitually aligned Army Weather Support squadron, will continue to set the standard for Army weather support as they have done repeatedly throughout the history of this great squadron."

While the missions won't change, the new Combat Weather Squadrons within the Indo-Pacific theater will remain committed to ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific through their dedication to the mission, the Air Force, Army and their allies and partners.



An Airman from Detachment 2, 1st Combat Weather Squadron, Wheeler Army Airfield measuring the rotor wash wind speed of a CH-47 Chinook for future tactical operations. (Courtesy Photo) ▲



A Staff Weather Officer (SWO) assigned to Detachment 3, 1st Combat Weather Squadron, takes a manual weather observation using a Kestrel, a handheld tactical instrument that measures temperature, humidity, pressure, and wind speed. (Courtesy photo)



U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Kevin Bourne, 607th Combat Weather Squadron commander, addresses his squadron during a redesignation ceremony at Camp Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Jun. 1, 2021. Bourne speaks on the skills his weather support Airmen encompass, allowing them to be aligned with tactical and operational level Army units assigned to United States Forces Korea. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Nicole Molignano) ▲

A group of first grade students from Osan Elementary School, observe a weather front demonstration at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 26, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Alder) ▶



**Students learn about weather**



A group of first grade students from Osan Elementary School, learn about weather instruments and equipment at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 26, 2021. The 51st Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight hosted a field trip to teach students about meteorology and the science of weather. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Alder) ◀

Tech. Sgt. Isabelle Qi, 51st Operations Support Squadron weather technician, pours water in container during a weather front demonstration at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 26, 2021. The weather technicians used visual demonstrations to explain meteorological concepts to Osan Elementary School students. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Alder) ▼



Tech. Sgt. Isabelle Qi, 51st Operations Support Squadron weather technician, left, points out weather map information to Osan Elementary Students at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 26, 2021. ▲



**SUMMER FIRE SAFETY**

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

**Barbecue Safety**

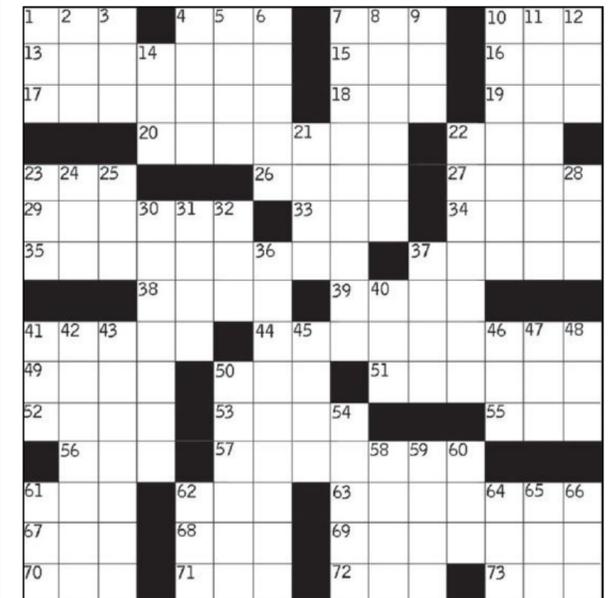
- Before using a grill, check the connection between the propane tank and the fuel line.
- Do not wear loose clothing while cooking at a barbecue.
- Keep all matches and lighters away from children.
- Dispose of hot coals properly - douse them with plenty of water, and stir them to ensure that the fire is out. Never place them in plastic, paper or wooden containers.
- Never grill/barbecue in enclosed areas - carbon monoxide could be produced.
- If the flame goes out on a propane grill, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least 15 minutes before re-lighting it.

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Any questions, feel free to contact Fire Prevention Office at 784-4835/4710.

**The Crossword**

By Jon Dunbar



- ACROSS**
- 1 Rule
  - 4 Donkey
  - 7 Animated image
  - 10 English money
  - 13 Actress Portman
  - 15 \_\_\_ to Joy
  - 16 Old woman
  - 17 Enhance
  - 18 Fib
  - 19 Irish terrorists
  - 20 Korean National Assembly location
  - 22 World Series league
  - 23 Necessary cards
  - 26 Robert Frost or Maya Angelou
  - 27 "Frozen" snowman
  - 29 Less meaty
  - 33 List of IPs
  - 34 Wheel
  - 35 Kiss under this
  - 37 Forward
  - 38 USFK legal agreement
  - 39 Odin's holiday
  - 41 Wartime control over armies
  - 44 Coniferous tree
  - 49 DPRK citizen, slang
  - 50 Dwight Eisenhower
  - 51 Finally
  - 52 Largest continent
  - 53 Cotton-tipped stick
  - 55 "The Walking Dead" channel
  - 56 Gift for a kid
  - 57 Punk musician Henry
  - 61 Hole-making tool
  - 62 Seoul river
  - 63 Location of Hamilton Hotel
  - 67 Buddy
  - 68 Explosive trap
  - 69 Woven screen
  - 70 Expert
  - 71 Yasser Arafat's group
  - 72 Bioengineered food
  - 73 Lion constellation

- DOWN**
- 1 Copy of DNA
  - 2 \_\_\_ de toilette
  - 3 Internet slang for bye
  - 4 Leeward
  - 5 Chinese prefix
  - 6 Install a computer program
  - 7 Brosnan 007 movie
  - 8 Morons
  - 9 Price
  - 10 Sniper's suit
  - 11 Journalist Walters
  - 12 Tiger's tournament
  - 14 Acker or Sedaris
  - 21 Socotra Rock, old spelling
  - 22 Opposite of fathers
  - 23 PC company
  - 24 Ryan Zinke's department
  - 25 Social media
  - 28 US central bank
  - 30 Answer to an apology
  - 31 Tesla CEO Musk
  - 32 Dennis Leary Christmas movie "The \_\_\_"
  - 36 Korean martial art
  - 37 One sea plant
  - 40 Web address
  - 41 Cat \_\_\_ hot tin roof
  - 42 Opposite of antebellum
  - 43 Mexican cocoa
  - 45 Baby beef
  - 46 Important time
  - 47 "Nightmare on \_\_\_ Street"
  - 48 Manhattan location
  - 50 Netanyahu's country
  - 54 Jewelry
  - 58 Thing
  - 59 Defense alliance
  - 60 Goes with box or TV
  - 61 Phone software
  - 62 Cool
  - 64 Actor Wheaton
  - 65 Nine divided by nine
  - 66 Similar to nonprofit group

- Answers to Previous Crossword**
- |           |            |          |          |           |
|-----------|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| ACROSS    | 30 KRAMPUS | 69 XMAS  | 12 SASH  | 46 UZI    |
| 1 TSP     | 32 INC     | 70 RINGS | 14 HINDU | 50 WATER  |
| 4 ASAN    | 33 AHAB    | 71 NEAL  | 20 EEK   | 51 AFN    |
| 8 OSHA    | 37 BEGA    | 72 ESSO  | 22 COSTA | 55 EYING  |
| 12 SHAH   | 38 TANGO   | 73 MAGE  | 24 DAE   | 56 LOSSES |
| 13 NORTH  | 40 POCARI  | 74 GSW   | 25 OMG   | 57 INLAW  |
| 15 IRON   | 42 DANCER  |          | 26 KPA   | 58 ZEAL   |
| 16 AERO   | 43 PLUTO   | DOWN     | 27 VINCI | 59 ALSO   |
| 17 ULCHI  | 44 MAUI    | 28 ANGEL | 60 ARSE  | 61 AXE    |
| 18 DING   | 47 TILE    | 29 SCORE | 61 AXE   | 62 DMS    |
| 19 STATES | 48 ALT     | 2 SARAH  | 31 RBI   | 63 SAS    |
| 21 NCO    | 49 KWANZAA | 3 PHOTO  | 33 APPAL | 64 LIM    |
| 23 HAHOE  | 52 LYE     | 4 ANUS   | 34 HOLLY | 65 LMA    |
| 24 DOKDO  | 53 MARDI   | 5 SOL    | 35 ACUTE | 66 DNA    |
| 27 VAS    | 54 FELIZ   | 6 ARC    | 36 BAT   | 67 EGG    |
|           | 59 ACT     | 7 NTH    | 39 ANT   |           |
|           | 60 ANYONE  | 8 OIDO   | 41 ROKMC |           |
|           | 61 ADSL    | 9 SRI    | 42 DIA   |           |
|           | 64 ELDER   | 10 HON   | 44 MAR   |           |
|           | 68 ISLA    | 11 ANG   | 45 AND   |           |



**An** LC-130 "Skibird" assigned to the 109th Airlift Wing sits on the ice runway at Raven Camp in Kangerlussuaq, Greenland, May 11, 2021. Raven Camp is used to train members on landing on ice runways, polar airdrops and operating in the snow and ice conditions. (Courtesy photo) ◀



**S**taff Sgt. Nolan Brandt, 39th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, holds his 1-year-old son, Samuel, after returning from a deployment, at Dyess Air Force Base, Texas, May 15, 2021. This deployment showcased that the 317th Airlift Wing is able to conduct its mission on a global scale even though the world is in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. David Owsianka) ▲



**A**irmen from five squadrons across the 93rd Air Ground Operations Wing participate in the 2021 Dragon Challenge at Pope Army Airfield, N.C., May 19, 2021. Comprised of shooting drills, an obstacle course, physical fitness and land navigation, the competition began in 1999 as a means to push the best Airmen from each squadron to compete, improve and bring new skills back to their units. (U.S. Air Force photo by 1st Lt. Ricki Sidorov)



**A**KC-135 Stratotanker pilot from the 350th Expeditionary Aerial Refueling Squadron prepares to refuel F/A-18D Hornet aircraft during a mission supporting a dynamic force employment over the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, May 18, 2021. DFEs enhance CENTCOM's ability to deter aggression and promote security and stability within the region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Robert Harnden)

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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.

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**AFCEA HOSTED GUEST SPEAKER: 3D AFSC TRANSFORMATION:** AFCEA is hosting guest speaker CMSgt Stephanie Christman 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.

**STRESS MANAGEMENT CLASS:** Does your head hurt? Are your muscles tense? Irritated around others? Could be signs of stress. Come to the Stress Management Class held every Wednesday from 0900-1000 in the Dental Conference Room. Open to Active Duty/adult dependents/civilians/contractors. For more information or to register, call 784.2148...registration is encouraged but not required.

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

**OSAN ANTHEM SINGERS:** Osan An-

them Singers are looking for volunteers who would like to sing the Korean and U.S. national anthems during various official/unofficial events throughout the base. You must be able to sing in a group in four-part harmony. Any member with a musical background and singing talent can audition for the group. Please contact MSgt Knollenberg at minji.knollenberg@us.af.mil if you are interested.

**MUNITIONS 100 PERCENT INVENTORY:** Ammo will be conducting a 100 percent wall-to-wall inventory of our stockpile. During this time, manning will be strained, so please be sure that all custody issues, expenditures and turn-ins are submitted at least a week prior to the start of this inventory.

**SLEEP OPTIMIZATION CLASS:** Feeling run down? Need more ZZZzzz's in your life? Come to the Sleep Optimization Class held every Tuesday from 0900-1000 in the Mental Health Clinic. Open to Active Duty/adult dependents/civilians/contractors. For more information or to register, call 784.2148...registration is encouraged but not required.

**HEALTHY THINKING CLASS:** Want to be the best version of You? It all starts in your head! Come to the Healthy Thinking Class held every Wednesday from 1000-1100 in the Dental Conference Room. Open to Active Duty/adult

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**GRAPHICS DESIGNER NEEDED:** The Osan AB Chapel is looking for a volunteer with Graphics Design skills and experience to create stunning graphics for FB, Worship Services, and other advertising. If you are interested please email osanpcc@gmail.com

**51 MDG VACCINATIONS BY APPOINTMENT:** 51 MDG is currently administering COVAX in the Immunization Clinic at the 51 MDG by appointment. Call 784-DOCS (appointment line) or use TRICARE online to make your reservation: Tues 0700-1000 - 50 slots Wed 1500-1600 - 20 slots Thurs 0700-1000 - 50 slots

**SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY:** Do you have an idea on how to better accomplish your mission? Have you ever said "is there is a better way to do this?" Well, Osan Spark is here to serve as

your idea catalyst! Leadership from top to bottom on Team Osan is providing all Airman an outlet for their voice to be heard and a unique opportunity to shape the very future of Osan Air Base! Submit your ideas at the link below!  
<https://osan.eis.pacaf.af.mil/osanorgs/spark/SitePages/Osan%20Spark.aspx>

**YOUTH SOCCER COACHES NEEDED:** We are wanting volunteer soccer coaches for our youth sports program. Please go to <https://51fss.com/youth-sports/> to fill out the forms and send them to the email on the page. Thank you for supporting our youth.

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

# 51st holds Memorial Day remembrance event



Distinguished guests salute the flags while each national anthem plays during a Memorial Day remembrance event at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. Memorial Day is for honoring the men and women who have died while on duty with the U.S. military. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ◀

Ernest Lee, a former post commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 8180 Korea, displays photos from past military events during a Memorial Day remembrance event at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. Memorial Day was made an official federal holiday in 1971. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ▼



U.S. Air Force Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, speaks during a Memorial Day remembrance event at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. Memorial Day started as an event to honor Union soldiers who died during the American Civil War. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ▲



David Gley, the commander for 2019-2020, Veterans of Foreign Wars, 8180 Korea, the guest speaker during a Memorial Day remembrance event at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, May 28, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae)



A red poppy worn during a Memorial Day remembrance event. Red poppies are a symbol of both remembrance and hope for a peaceful future.



# Spiritual Charge

## A Commencement Speech No One Asked For



By Ch, Capt Johann Choi 51FW

With the way that the pandemic causes days and months to pass by in a blur, it is perhaps more important than ever to recognize new seasons and milestones in our lives. This past month I reached a milestone of my own, having turned 40. This birthday comes, as it usually does, in a season when many are graduating from

secondary and post-secondary institutions across the globe. This is a timely convergence, as I feel I am finally of an age where I should be able to offer unsolicited advice to those younger than I and assume they should have to take it. However, since no one would ever ask me to offer a commencement speech, I have decided to publish one here. Rather than a "commencement speech" though, the following may be described best as three addendums or qualifiers to the kinds of platitudes typically shared with graduates.

1. Don't just focus on doing what you love. We live in a world catered to our choices. As a result, we run the risk of cloistering ourselves in our comfort zones, never growing or being stretched. Rather, do some things you hate on purpose, because there will be many times in your life you will have to do things you don't want to do. You might as well do it on your own

terms and be better prepared for this inevitability. Moreover, by doing this I guarantee you will discover some new loves along the way that you otherwise never would have encountered.

2. Accept that you can't do anything you set your mind to. Why? Because the world doesn't always reward merit and, let's face it, sometimes you are just not good enough...and that's okay! We have to get out of the mindset that the worth of a life and its fulfillment comes from the few titles we pursue and the medals we aspire to earn. There are millions of potential paths out there that can enrich your life and the world around you that you haven't even considered. Accept that life will not go as you plan. That's life. This doesn't mean you are doomed to unhappiness.

3. Don't immediately plan on going and changing the world. Don't start with that upon graduation. Change yourself, your family first. If you can't do

that successfully you are not in any position to go and change the world. The great thing about focusing on improving yourself and your family first is that this isn't like other things in life that you have to wait to do. You can start this now. Moreover, if everyone changed themselves and their families for the better, the world would naturally become a better place.

This is not the voice of a curmudgeonly old man looking to squash a youngster's optimism. This is an attempt to inoculate new graduates from any false promises or notions of what life beyond school will present. This is also an invitation to countenance and embrace the unpredictability of life and the fact that we are not ultimately in control. I believe it's in accepting these truths that we can steer away from perpetual disappointment and be more open to the abundance of unexpected joys that life can bring.

## 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

Due to the upcoming demolition and construction of the Osan Chapel facilities, the offices and worship services have been relocated as follows:

#### Chapel Offices:

The main chapel offices are located on the second floor of building 745 (formerly the Wing Safety building).

#### Chapel Worship Services:

Protestant service times/location:  
There is now only 1 service @ 1000  
- Base theatre -

#### Catholic service times/location:

Catholic Sunday Masses are now being held at the Mustang Center (multi-purpose room) across from the gym:

- o Confession @ 0830
- o First Mass @ 0900
- o Confession @ 1030
- o Second Mass @ 1100

Catholic Daily Masses will be held in building 769 (former AFRC bldg):  
o Tuesday - Thursday @ 1130

For the most current updates and announcements, please visit our "Osan AB Chapel" Facebook page.

Find us on the web @  
<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABChapel>

### HUMPHREYS

#### Protestant Services

Sundays -  
9:00 a.m. Liturgical Service - PVC  
9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Agape (Contemporary) - 4CMC  
11:00 a.m. Common Ground (Traditional) - FRDC  
10:00 a.m. Burning Bush (Gospel) - WRC  
10:30 a.m. Church of Christ - PVC  
11:00 a.m. Spanish Service - PVC  
1:00 p.m. Apostolic Pentecostal Lighthouse Service - WRC  
- Wednesdays -  
6:00 p.m. KATUSA Service - PVC

#### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (LDS)

Sundays -  
2:00 /3:15 p.m. Sacrament Meeting - FRDC  
2:30-3:30 p.m. Sunday School - FRDC  
3:30-4:30 Unaccompanied/Single SMs Meal - FRDC  
POC: CH Brizzee 010-8921-1736; tyler.f.brizzee.mil@mail.mil

#### Catholic

Saturday, 3:00-5:00 p.m. Adoration - FRDC  
Saturday, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation/Confession - FRDC  
Saturday, 4:40 p.m. Rosary/Benediction - FRDC  
Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass - FRDC  
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Mass - FRDC  
M-F, 5:30 p.m. Mass - FRDC

#### Jewish

2nd & 4th Friday, 5:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service - 4CMC  
POC: CH(Cpt) Daniel Kamzani daniel.j.kamzani@mail.mil

#### Islamic

Friday, 12:00-13:00 p.m. Jumrah Service - PVC  
Sunday, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Islamic/Arabic Classes - PVC  
POC: Sfc. Kamel 010-8449-3024; mohammed.a.kamel@mail.mil

#### Seventh Day Adventist

POC: Maj. Delavega 010-3917-6478; david.r.delavega.mil@mail.mil

#### Pagan

POC: Cpt. Emory Erickson emory.j.erickson.mil@mail.mil



U.S. Air Force Academy Class of 2021 graduates toss their service caps as the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds fly overhead during the Academy's graduation ceremony in Colorado Springs, Colo., May 26, 2021. A total of 1,019 cadets crossed the stage to become the Air Force and Space Force's newest second lieutenants. (U.S. Air Force photo by Trevor Cokley) ▲



Airmen load a C-17 Globemaster III at Ali Al Salem Air Base, Kuwait, May 16, 2021. The C-17 transported Soldiers and cargo in support of a Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent Resolve mission. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Taryn Butler) ▲

Staff Sgt. Morgan Hall, a boom operator assigned to the Ohio Air National Guard's 121st Air Refueling Wing, looks out of the boom pod of a KC-135 Stratotanker during a refueling flight off the coast of the United Kingdom, May 26, 2021. Miller is a part of a group of Guard members operating from Scotland and providing air refueling support as part of exercise At-Sea Demo / Formidable Shield. Formidable Shield is a first-of-its-kind multinational exercise, taking place in the region of the North Atlantic Ocean around the United Kingdom. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Vincent De Groot) ▲

Rows of headstones line the grounds at the Brookwood American Military Cemetery, United Kingdom, May 30, 2021. As one of eight permanent American cemeteries established outside of the United States after World War I, Brookwood is the final resting place of 468 Americans killed during World War I. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jennifer Zima) ▶



## Lending a hand; Airman reacts to vehicle accident



By Senior Airman Helena Owens  
Andersen Air Force Base Public Affairs

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam -- It's the crack of dawn, the smell of waffles fills the air and he is getting his son ready for school. All of a sudden, he hears 'screech... BANG!' 'Thump, thump, thump', his heart is racing as he rushes to the window to see what the commotion was.

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jason Ornellas, noncommissioned officer in charge of the Fuels Environmental and Safety office assigned to the 36th Logistics Readiness Squadron, sprang into action when he saw a vehicle had crashed outside of his home in Yigo, Guam, May 13, 2021.

"I immediately called 911 and told them what happened," said Ornellas. "I then told my son his waffle would be done soon and I was going to run outside and check on these people."

Ornellas said the truck was flipped onto the driver's side and the passengers of the vehicle were trying to climb out when he got out there. He assisted in helping the driver and her son out of the truck and making sure they were okay.

"The driver had a little cut on her forehead

but nothing major, they were both conscious and walking around," said Ornellas. "I made sure the vehicle was off because I didn't want the fuel tank to catch fire or anything to explode."

Shortly after Ornellas got them out of harm's way the Guam Fire Department had shown up and he let them take over. Ornellas says he was prepared to use the skills he learned throughout his military career to render care if needed but thankfully it wasn't.

"I can take this event into account for future safety briefings, especially for the new Airmen coming here from the states that have never driven on coral surfaces before," said Ornellas. "I can tell them I witnessed first-hand what can happen if you lose control; brief them to be mindful when it's raining, watch their speed and to just stay alert."

Ornellas' leadership spoke very highly of his character and his actions after the event occurred. His supervisor said this could attest to who he is as a person, kind and selfless.

"When I heard about what Ornellas had done it made me swell with pride," said U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Kyle Beck, superintendent of the Fuels Environmental and Safety office assigned to the 36th LRS. "He cares about all of the

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jason Ornellas, noncommissioned officer in charge of the Fuels Environmental and Safety office assigned to the 36th Logistics Readiness Squadron stands in front of one of his fuel trucks at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, May 27, 2021. The 36th LRS provides Andersen AFB with the full spectrum of logistics support to include operating the largest fuel storage location in the Air Force and overseeing the installation deployment and reception operations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Helena Owens)

Airmen here at the petroleum, oil and lubricant section greatly and he's just an all-around nice guy. He's a great person and someone I want standing in my corner."

Ornellas said he is just happy that everyone is okay. He says this was the best possible outcome for the situation at hand.

"I would like to think anyone in my situation would have done the same thing," said Ornellas. "I thought for a split second, maybe someone else will be out there to help and I snapped out of that quickly and realized that someone should be me. I hope everyone has the same realization as I did and lends a helping hand when they can."



Justin Bonsignore, two-time Whelen Modified Tour champion, shows the name of Staff Sgt. David Wieger, a fallen Office of Special Investigations special agent, on his Kenneth Massa Motorsports car, prior to his victory in the Jennerstown Salutes 150 race in Jennerstown, Pa., May 29, 2021. Bonsignore and 33 fellow drivers honored the memory of Fallen Heroes during the Memorial Day weekend event at the Jennerstown Speedway. (Photo by Zack Aubrey)

## NASCAR honors OSI fallen hero, his Gold Star family

By Wayne Amann, Air Force Office of Special Investigations Public Affairs

QUANTICO, Va. (AFNS) -- Among the myriad of remembrances across the nation Memorial Day weekend, it was a motorsports event, in particular, that resonated for an Office of Special Investigations Gold Star family.

At the Jennerstown Speedway in Jennerstown, Pennsylvania, May 29, the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour race, titled the Jennerstown Salutes 150, remembered the fallen U.S. military members and those currently serving or suffering the effects from war.

Each of the 34 drivers in the race carried the name of a veteran lost in war on their 600-horsepower cars.

The name of Staff Sgt. David Wieger, a fallen OSI special agent, was prominently displayed above the windshield of two-time Whelen Modified Tour Champion, Justin Bonsignore of Long Island, New York.

On Nov. 1, 2007, Wieger, along with fellow special agents Thomas Crowell and Nathan Schuldheiss, were killed in Iraq when their vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device. Wieger was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Force Commendation Medal (second Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Air Force Combat Action Medal.

"Honoring everyone on Memorial Day who has made the ultimate sacrifice for our country is special," Bonsignore said prior to the race. "I'm excited to have Staff Sgt. Wieger's name on our Kenneth Massa Motorsports car, and I'm excited to give his family something to enjoy and cheer for on the track. Hopefully, they'll be cheering us along to a win."

Bonsignore proved to be prophetic, because he did win, taking the checkered flag after leading nearly the entire race from the pole position, on the way to his first NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour win of 2021, and the 30th win of his career.

Following the race, Bonsignore presented his winning trophy to Wieger's father, Michael Wieger, Sr., in Victory Lane.

The Wieger Gold Star Family resides just 20 miles from the Jennerstown Speedway in North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. They were specifically invited to serve as the grand marshals and honorary starters for the race. Plus the race promoters asked the Wiegiers to drive David's Jeep around the track for a lap to honor him.

As a patriotic industry, the racing community is a longtime, steadfast supporter of the U.S. military, its fallen and their families.

"These special tributes to our fallen heroes are so important to the Gold Star families, friends and fellow veterans they served with," said Tony Aubrey, a combat veteran of more than 20 years with Operation Vet NOW, Inc., a nonprofit organization established to reduce veteran suicide and improve the overall wellness of veterans, regardless of era served, through innovative outreach experiences.

"All of us at OVN are honored to have them at this important event," Aubrey added. "Staff Sgt. Wieger and all those represented on this night gave their lives for this country, and we owe it to them and their families to ensure their story and legacy lives on. We are dedicated to this mission."

The dedicated support the Wiegiers received from OSI from the time of their son's passing, has made a lasting impression on the Gold Star family.

"The OSI family has been so good to us," said David's mother, Loreena Wieger, during a Facebook interview with Aubrey prior to race day. "From the time David died, when (then-OSI commander) Gen. Simmons said at the funeral, 'We'll never forget him, we'll never forget you guys.' That OSI family just wrapped their arms around us."

# Summer in the Beauty of Eunpyeong Hanok Village



The architectural beauty of hanok structures continues to awe visitors to Korea, with many people including a trip to a hanok village on their itinerary. If you've already been to Bukchon Hanok Village or Jeonju Hanok Village but still want to see more, then plan some time in Eunpyeong Hanok Village! Despite being located within Seoul, this village maintains a slower, quieter ambiance where you can truly appreciate the beauty of hanok along with the majestic Bukhansan Mountain.



## ◀ Eunpyeong Hanok Village

Eunpyeong Hanok Village was founded at the foot of Bukhansan Mountain in December, 2014. Rather than restoring old hanok houses like most villages do, the area was completely created from scratch, becoming the largest neighborhood of new hanok houses in the metropolitan area. The area has plenty of attractions to fill a half-day itinerary, from walking along forested trails on Bukhansan Mountain to visiting a temple and museum before enjoying a break at a café or restaurant with an amazing view.

- Address: 127-25, Jingwan-dong, Eunpyeong-gu, Seoul
- Directions: Directions: Take Bus No. 701 or 7211 from Yeonsinnae Station (Seoul Subway Line 3, 6), Exit 3 to Hanago, Jingwansa, Samcheonsa Entrance Bus Stop
- Operating hours: 24 hr / 7
- \* Hours may vary by facility; inquire in advance
- \* Visitors are asked to be mindful of their noise level, as the village is a residential area



## ▶ Jingwansa Temple

Jingwansa Temple is one of four major temples located around Seoul. The temple offers many facilities to learn about Buddhist culture, including temple stay, temple food, and traditional culture experience halls.

The walking path, Baekchowon-gil, starting from the temple entrance is highly recommended. The path is named after Monk Baek Chowon, who hid the Korean flag and other patriotic materials during the Japanese colonial period. The path passes a beautiful valley flowing out of Bukhansan National Park.

- Address: 73, Jingwan-gil, Eunpyeong-gu, Seoul
- Directions: Take Bus No. 701 or 7211 from Yeonsinnae Station (Seoul Subway Line 3, 6), Exit 3 to Hanago, Jingwansa, Samcheonsa Entrance Bus Stop
- Operating hours: 09:00-17:30, open all year round
- Admission: Free
- \* Separate fees apply to programs
- Website: www.jinkwansa.org



## ▶ Eunpyeong History Hanok Museum

Eunpyeong History Hanok Museum is dedicated to promoting the history and hanok culture of Eunpyeong-gu through exhibitions as well as lectures and hands-on programs. The building was also selected as a beautiful representative building of Seoul in 2015.

The museum is largely divided into the Eunpyeong History Hall on the second floor and the Hanok Exhibition Hall on the third floor. The hanok hall shows the changes in hanok structures over time, showing plenty of examples of modern hanok. The Eunpyeong History Hall shows the history and culture of the region where Eunpyeong Hanok Village currently stands.

- Address: 8, Yeonseo-ro 50-gil, Eunpyeong-gu, Seoul
- Directions: Take Bus No. 701 or 7211 from Yeonsinnae Station (Seoul Subway Line 3, 6), Exit 3 to Hanago, Jingwansa, Samcheonsa Entrance Bus Stop
- Website: museum.ep.go.kr



## ◀ Hanok cafés and restaurants with a view

One unique aspect of Eunpyeong Hanok Village is that there are hanok tea houses and restaurants with upstairs seating for a panoramic view of the entire village. While they aren't super high up, the floor-to-ceiling windows allow you to see the beautiful tile rooflines up close with a fantastic backdrop of Bukhansan Mountain.

Take a moment to relax from wandering through the village over a traditional drink and snack or even a full meal. No matter which shop or menu you choose, you're guaranteed to have a picture-perfect table and view.

- Major shops: 1 In 1 Jan, Romanticar, Bukhansan Atelier, Space Helena, Long Bread, etc.
- \* Operating hours and prices will vary by shop; inquire in advance

## ▼ Eunpyeong Trail

If you enjoy hiking and trekking, you'll definitely want to check out Eunpyeong Trail! There are five courses total, with courses three and four passing Jingwansa Temple and Eunpyeong Hanok Village.

Course four in particular is great if you enjoy hiking, as it connects with sections of the Bukhansan Dulle-gil Trail. The wooden deck also passes the natural habitat for boreal digging frogs, an endangered species.

- Course 1 (Bongsan Sunrise Trail): Jeungsan Station – Jeungsan Public Digital Library – Jeungsan Gymnasium Park – Population of Mountain Ash Trees – Bongsan Sunrise Park (Smoke Signal Tower) – Five West Royal Tombs Entrance
- Course 2 (Aengbong Ecology Trail): Five West Royal Tombs Entrance – Aengbongsan Mountain – Tapgol Ecology Park – Gupabal Station
- Course 3 (Emalsan Tomb Trail): Gupabal Station – Jingwan Neighborhood Park (Emalsan Mountain) – Hana High School – Jingwansa Temple entrance (Eunpyeong Hanok Village)





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Show Times : LOTTECINEMA SONGTAN

# Youth Basketball Exchange

For over a couple months a group of volunteers from Osan, Colonel William Edmunds, 607 ASOG/CC, CMSgt Daniel Cain, 7 AF/A4, TSgt Christopher Burks, 51 FW/CP, TSgt London Brown, 51 FW/LRS, and MSgt Alexander Puma, 7 AF/JA have been at the gym every Sunday teaching basketball skills to youth aged 12-17. They wanted to give back to the community while at the same time give our kids something positive to do on the weekends. MSgt Puma, whose son had previously attended Mr. Hoons basketball club, wanted to get together and have an event with the Korean youth. After some short discussions a date was set and on 30 May 2021 at the Osan Air Base Gym, the Osan Mustangs Basketball Club and Kim Hoon's Basketball Club from Pyeongtaek took part in an Korea-US youth basketball exchange. The event started with a gift exchange amongst the youth and then the youth played in four friendly exhibition games. While the American team won all four games, a good time was had by all and it was the start of a new relationship between the American and Korean youth.

Overall it was a great opportunity, especially after a year of dealing with COVID-19. Having this interaction amongst the youth from both nations really was positive and we all hope to have more in the future. The American's also prepared meals so that the children could have a good experience outside of basketball.



# Girl Scout Silver Award recipients



Allison Bryan



Analiese Hannum



Saoirse Henke

Osan Girl Scouts recently celebrated the completion of another year of scouting during a bridging and awards ceremony at the enlisted club May 22.

During the ceremony three Girl Scouts: Allison Bryan, Analiese Hannum and Saoirse Henke, were awarded the Silver Award, the highest award Cadette Girl Scouts can earn.

After turning more towards outdoor adventures during the COVID-19 restrictions Bryan and Hannum teamed up to create a "Girl Scouts Guide to Hiking in Korea", making a local resource to make outdoor adventures more accessible to troops with little experience

hiking in Korea.

"Our first time hiking in Korea was like going into the unknown," said Bryan. "We were unsure of ourselves, and we couldn't enjoy it completely because we were afraid of getting lost or doing something wrong."

"We hope our book will make it less scary to enjoy the outdoors in Korea," said Hannum.

Henke, a lifelong dancer, also pulled on her experience during the COVID-19 induced restriction of movement to create a series of virtual dance camps to allow girls who may be stuck at home the opportunity to continue to practice dance.

"I wanted a way for people to dance even if they couldn't go to a studio," said Henke. "Even when this pandemic is over this resource will be available to girls who can't afford dance classes."

Henke's virtual classes can be found on YouTube by searching "Dance Class Central."

A Silver Award requires girls to choose and design a project they feel passionate enough about to contribute 50 hours to.

"There were some points when I thought I'd give up and wait until later," said Hannum. Her advice to future girls working on their Silver Award is to "Find something that you'll enjoy doing and you'll be able to get it done."

# Pyeongtaek City mayor awards Col. Gonzales honorary citizenship



By Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange

Jang Seon Jung, Pyeongtaek mayor, left, awards Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, with honorary Pyeongtaek citizenship and flower bouquet at Pyeongtaek City, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. This ceremony commemorated the ongoing partnership between Osan Air Base and the city of Pyeongtaek. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange)

PYEONGTAEK CITY, Republic of Korea -- Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, was awarded honorary Pyeongtaek citizenship by Jang Seon Jung, Pyeongtaek mayor, as part of a ceremony on May 25, 2021.

Jung and Gonzales exchanged gifts during the ceremony to commemorate the continued cooperation between Osan Air Base and the host nation. Through these gifts, Gonzales and Jung shared their cultures with one another.

"I'm very honored by the mayor and his office," said Gonzales. "I'll always cherish this token of appreciation for everything we've accomplished together."

Both Osan AB and Pyeongtaek experienced hardships with the COVID-19 lockdowns over the past year, but Osan AB and Pyeongtaek worked together to weather these hardships.

"Our team works very closely with the city of Pyeongtaek," said Gonzales. "Because of that close relationship, we're able to overcome many adversities and achieve our common interest of increasing the standard of living for everyone."

As the meeting came to a close, Gonzales thanked Jung for accepting himself and all of team Osan as a part of their community.

"I'm excited about the opportunities the future holds for both Pyeongtaek and Osan Air Base," Gonzales said.



Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, left, talks with Jang Seon Jung, Pyeongtaek City mayor, about various challenges they have faced together at Pyeongtaek City, Republic of Korea, May 25, 2021. Osan Air Base and the city of Pyeongtaek have worked together to overcome many challenges during the past year. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Douglas Lorange)