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A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon taxis along the flightline after landing at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. The aircraft is one of several temporarily relocated from Kunsan Air Base as part of the U.S. Air Force's Super Squadron Test Phase II, aimed at consolidating fighter operations and increasing combat power on the Korean Peninsula.



F-16s Relocate to Osan as Super Squadron test Prepares to enter Phase II

By Senior Airman Tallon Bratton

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea — Starting July 28, 2025, the first F-16 Fighting Falcons relocated from Kunsan Air Base to Osan Air Base, marking a major step in preparation for the continuation of the U.S. Air Force's Super Squadron Test. These F-16s are the first of many being temporarily re-assigned to Osan for Phase II of the

test, the temporary transfer supporting Seventh Air Force's efforts to maximize capabilities and increase combat effectiveness on the Korean Peninsula.

"Osan is receiving additional F-16s as part of the Air Force's Super Squadron Test Part II initiative, which is a force-optimization test designed to see if a larger, consolidated squadron can generate more combat power and operate more efficiently," said Capt. Bryce Hughes, 51st Maintenance Group Officer and Sortie Generation Flight commander.

Over the next several months, approximately 31 F-16s and 1,000 Airmen will be re-assigned from Kunsan AB to Osan AB in time for the start of Phase II, beginning in October 2025. To complement these efforts, maintainers already assigned to Osan are also integrating with the 36th Fighter Generation Squadron to learn how to maintain the F-16s and help maximize combat airpower generation.

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A U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon lands at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025, during a strategic relocation from Kunsan Air Base. The move marks a major milestone in the preparation for Phase II of the Super Squadron test, a force-optimization effort to evaluate the efficiency of larger, consolidated fighter squadrons ▲

"It's truly impressive how our Airmen have been able to adjust," said Senior Master Sgt. Jason Thomas, 51st Maintenance Group Sortie Generation Flight chief. "I hear a lot about concepts like Multi-Capable Airmen or Mission Ready Airmen, but our Airmen are truly making the concept a reality."

Phase I of the test began in October 2024, bringing nine F-16s and 150 Airmen to the 36th Fighter Squadron and Fighter Generation Squadron at Osan. Phase II of the test is expected to continue through October 2026, capitalizing on data from the first phase and assessing focus areas like maintenance, manpower, and logistics requirements at a larger scale.

Throughout the test, the 51st Fighter Wing will continue to maintain Osan's "Fight Tonight" defensive posture, while working to capitalize on opportunities to increase combat readiness and expand bilateral training with the Republic of Korea Air Force.

"We're working hand-in-hand with the Wolfpack to ensure a smooth transition of both personnel and equipment in preparation for Phase II," said Col. Ryan Ley, 51st Fighter Wing commander. "The 51st Fighter Wing is leading the charge on the Super Squadron test. I'm proud of what the Mustangs have accomplished already, and I look forward to testing the limits of what we can do over the next year."

A U.S. Air Force F-16 arrives at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025, as part of a temporary relocation under the Super Squadron initiative. The aircraft are part of a larger force posture shift designed to enhance readiness and sortie generation capabilities for the 51st Fighter Wing.



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Members of the 8th Maintenance Group perform final checks on a 35th Fighter Squadron F-16 Fighting Falcon at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. This aircraft is one of several that will be relocated to Osan Air Base as part of the Super Squadron Test Phase II, with the goal of consolidating and increasing combat capabilities in the ROK. ▲

Wolf Pack's F-16 Fighting Falcons begin departure for Super Squadron Test Phase II



A flight F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft sit for a weapons check prior to takeoff at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. As part of the Super Squadron Test Phase II, pilots and F-16s will be temporarily relocated to Osan Air Base aiming to consolidate air power and increase combat capability on the Korean Peninsula.

An 8th Maintenance Group crew chief marshals a 35th Fighter Squadron F-16 Fighting Falcon at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. Several Kunsan personnel will move to Osan Air Base to support Phase II of the Super Squadron Test, with the goal of consolidating and increasing combat capabilities in the ROK. ►



By Senior Airman Landon Gunsauls
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Members of the 8th Maintenance Group perform final checks on a 35th Fighter Squadron F-16 Fighting Falcon at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. This aircraft is one of several that will be relocated to Osan Air Base as part of the Super Squadron Test Phase II, with the goal of consolidating and increasing combat capabilities in the ROK.



A member of the 35th Maintenance Squadron double checks hard point mounts on a 35th Fighter Squadron F-16 Fighting Falcon at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. This aircraft is one of several that will be temporarily relocated to Osan Air Base as part of the Super Squadron Test Phase II, with the goal of consolidating and increasing combat capabilities in the ROK. ◀



An F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft takes off from Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 28, 2025. This F-16 is one of several aircraft that are temporarily relocating to Osan Air Base for the Super Squadron Phase II test. The test is an effort to maximize capabilities and increase combat effectiveness on the Korean Peninsula. ►



Osan Air Base hosts the 2025 ROK-US Combat Taekwondo Exhibition

By Senior Airman Rome Bowermaster
51st Fighter Wing

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Osan Air Base hosts the 2025 Republic of Korea-U.S. Combat Taekwondo Exhibition at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 26, 2025. The 2025 exhibition demonstrates the power of teamwork and discipline, key elements that unite the U.S. and ROK forces in their shared mission of peace and stability.

U.S. and Republic of Korea service members compete in the 2025 ROK-US Combat Taekwondo Exhibition at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 26, 2025. The exhibition allowed service members to experience the rich traditions of South Korea, reinforcing the strong diplomatic and military relationship between the two nations. ▲

A Republic of Korea Army servicemember, breaks boards during the 2025 ROK-US Combat Taekwondo Exhibition at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 26, 2025. This iteration marks the 23rd anniversary of this event, showcasing skills such as Poomsae, board breaking, high jump kicks, demonstrations, and sparring for spectators to see. ▼



U.S. Army Capt. Davon Stuart, right, 524th Military Intelligence Battalion officer in charge, lands a kick during the 2025 ROK-US Combat Taekwondo Exhibition at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 26, 2025. The exhibition allowed service members to experience the rich traditions of South Korea, reinforcing the strong diplomatic and military relationship between the two nations. ▲



U.S. Air Force Col. Ryan Ley, 51st Fighter Wing commander, gives opening remarks for the 2025 ROK-US Combat Taekwondo Exhibition at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 26, 2025. The exhibition demonstrated the power of teamwork and discipline, key elements that unite the U.S. and ROK forces in their shared mission of peace and stability. ▼



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CMSAF David Flosi Engages with Osan Airmen



**By Senior Airman Rome Bowermaster
51st Fighter Wing**

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force David Flosi visited Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 25, 2025 to engage directly with Airmen and gain a firsthand understanding of the vital role Osan and other U.S. Air Force wings in Korea play in maintaining security and stability across the Indo-Pacific region.

Located 48 miles south of the Korean Demilitarized Zone, Osan Air Base is the most forward deployed permanently based wing in the Air Force and plays a crucial role in security and deterrence in the Indo-Pacific Theatre. Flosi's visit underscored the importance of Korea's "Fight Tonight!" mission, and how it contributes to the Air Force's strategic focus on strengthening relationships with allies and partners.

The day began with a Chief's Round Table, where Flosi met with senior enlisted leaders from across the Korean Peninsula. The session focused on force development, retention, and the challenges unique to enlisted leadership in a high-tempo, forward-deployed setting.

Flosi then recognized five Airmen for outstanding performance and their contributions to Osan's no-fail mission. Each Airman exemplified the readiness, professionalism, and resilience that define the Air Force's presence in Korea.

During an all-call with Team Osan, Flosi spoke to the importance of readiness in the Indo-Pacific and the need

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force David Flosi, right, listens to Chief Master Sgt. Amanda Aaron, left, 8th Fighter Wing command chief, at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 25, 2025. During the meeting, Flosi met with command chiefs and senior enlisted leaders to discuss the 51st Fighter Wing mission, the future of the Air Force, and Osan's critical role in regional security and Indo-Pacific stability. ▲



Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force David Flosi delivers remarks during an all-call at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 25, 2025. Flosi visited Osan to learn firsthand about Osan's critical role while engaging with Airmen to discuss the future of Air Force operations, plans to build a more lethal force and their dedication to Airman development. ▲

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force David Flosi, center left, laughs with enlisted leadership during a "Chief's Round Table" at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 25, 2025. During the meeting, CMSAF Flosi met with command chiefs and senior enlisted leaders to discuss the 51st Fighter Wing mission, the future of the Air Force, and Osan's critical role in regional security and Indo-Pacific stability. ►

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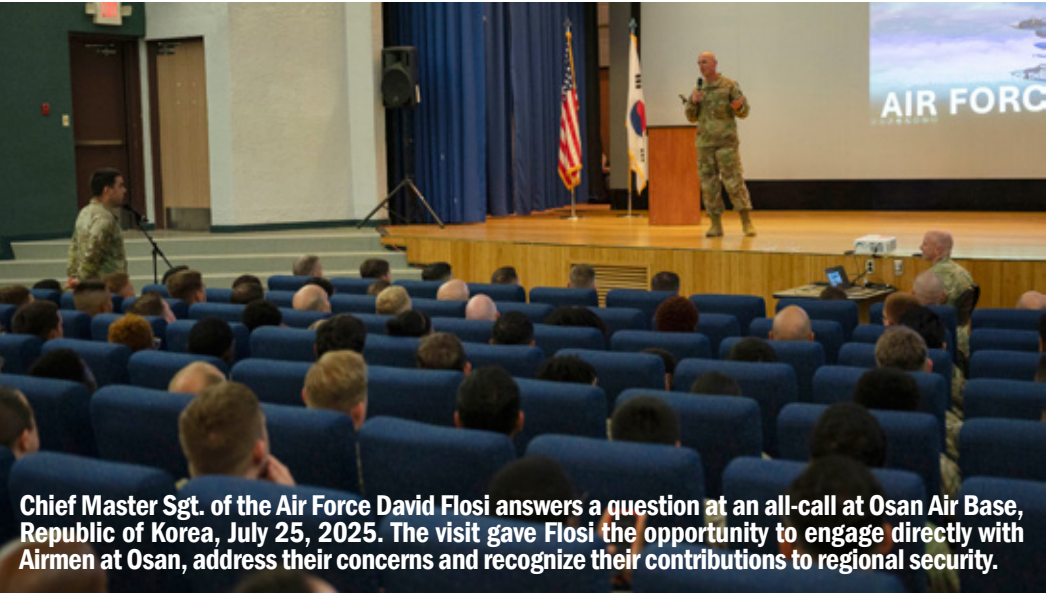
"We've been working on a force design that looks ahead at fighting in a contested environment. We're working on this design for that purpose so that when we go into a contested environment, we're ready to be capable, effective and operational the day we arrive, because the contested environment requires it."
— Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force David A. Flosi

Flosi highlighted the Air Force has constantly evolved to meet challenges through tenants of Airmanship. Today, that is through developing skills in two-way communication, land navigation, forward area and refueling and rearming procedures, airfield defense and operations, and rapid airfield repair.

"Airmanship attributes have kept us on the cutting edge of technology and innovation and capability for decades and it will for years to come," Flosi said. "We owe you our best in setting those conditions for you to continue to be successful."

Airmen were able to engage with Flosi and get answers on various topics of concern such as potential changes to physical fitness standards and testing, mission support, and upcoming changes in enlisted development and force structure.

Flosi concluded the visit with a working lunch alongside SNCOs and First Sergeants, where discussions centered on local initiatives to improve resiliency, retention, and leadership development while maintaining a focus on warfighting readiness.



Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force David Flosi answers a question at an all-call at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 25, 2025. The visit gave Flosi the opportunity to engage directly with Airmen at Osan, address their concerns and recognize their contributions to regional security.



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Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, and Tech. Sgt. Brandon Genovese, 8th Maintenance Group loading standardization crew member, discuss F-16 Fighting Falcon hardpoint capabilities at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 29, 2025. Schaefer's multi-day visit included leadership briefings, lunch discussions, unit immersion demonstrations and an all-call. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Landon Gunsauls)

Seventh Air Force command chief visits the Wolf Pack

By Senior Airman Karissa Dick
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea
-- The Seventh Air Force command chief, Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, visited the Wolf Pack at Kunsan Air Base here, July 28-30.

Schaefer's intent was to get updated on the base, see how the various unit missions have evolved and connect with the Airmen who support them. He engaged directly with Airmen to better understand the challenges they face and the success they achieve.

Leadership briefings, lunch discussions, immersion demonstrations and an all-call provided the Wolf Pack Airmen an opportunity to receive mentorship from Schaefer.

Engaging directly with the Wolf Pack allowed Schaefer to gain insight into the unique culture and missions at Kunsan, while he reinforced the importance of leaders being present, informed, and invested in Airmen who are the future of the U.S. Air Force.



Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, and Chief Master Sgt. Amanda Aaron, 8th Fighter Wing command chief, speak to noncommissioned officers during a mentorship lunch at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 30, 2025. This visit provided the Wolf Pack Airmen an opportunity to engage directly with Seventh Air Force leadership. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Karissa Dick) ▲



Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, is secured on a power-lift stretcher by members of the 8th Medical Group ambulance services team at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 29, 2025. The 8th MDG ambulance services team demonstrated how the stretcher is used to transport patients, gave Schaefer a tour of an ambulance and discussed how their services are used during exercises. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Karissa Dick) ▲



Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, practices a stability plank exercise during a visit to the 8th Medical Group human performance flight at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 29, 2025. The intent of this multi-day visit was to learn about the base, the various unit missions and the Airmen who support them. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Karissa Dick) ◀



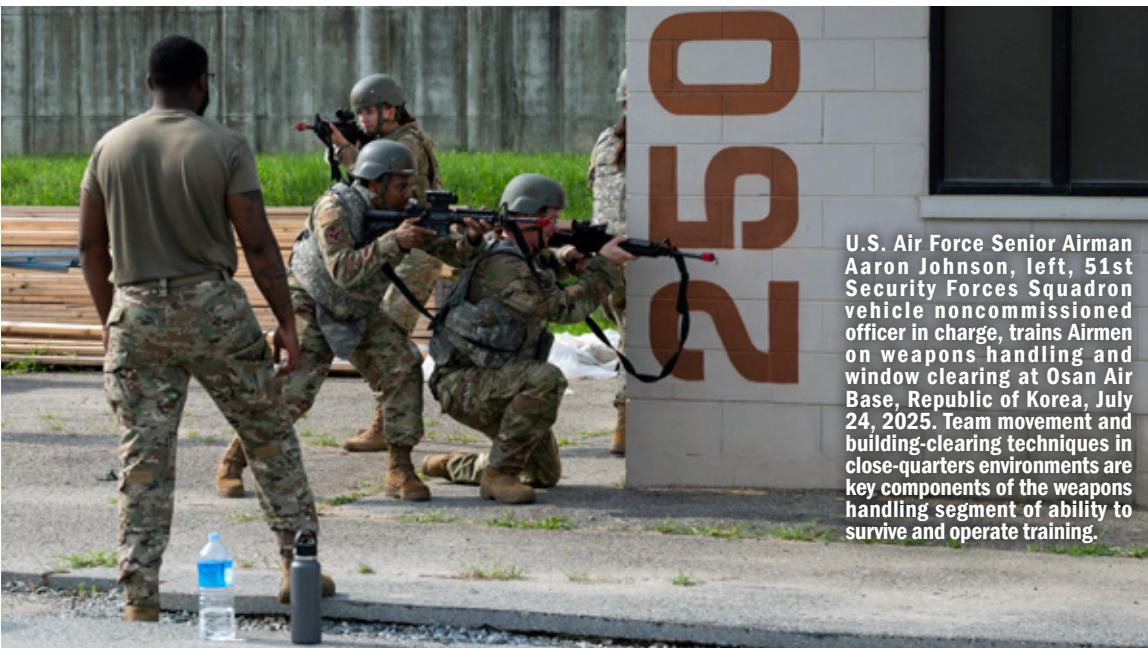
Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, inspects an 8th Security Forces Squadron drone at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 29, 2025. Schaefer's multi-day visit included leadership briefings, lunch discussions, unit immersion demonstrations and an all-call. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Landon Gunsauls) ▲

Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Schaefer II, Seventh Air Force command chief, changes a tire with Senior Airman Ranel Generosa, 8th Logistic Readiness Squadron vehicle maintenance journeyman, at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 30, 2025. Schaefer's intent was to learn about the base, the various unit missions and the Airmen who support them. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Landon Gunsauls) ◀

Osan Airmen conduct ability to survive and operate training



U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Erik Alter, left, 51st Security Forces Squadron wartime operations noncommissioned officer in charge, and Staff Sgt. Nicholas Keys, 51st SFS unit deployment manager, trains Airmen assigned to the 51st Logistics Readiness Squadron and 51st Civil Engineer Squadron, on close quarter battle at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Learning how to maneuver as a team and clear buildings in close-quarters environments is an essential aspect of the weapons handling portion of the ability to survive and operate training. ▼



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Jonathan Bell, center, 51st Force Support Squadron customer support technician, conducts a buddy-check during the ability to survive and operate training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. During ATSO training, Airmen refreshed their ability to quickly assemble their mission-oriented protective posture gear to ensure survival in a contingency environment. ►

By Senior Airman Rome Bowermaster
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR FORCE BASE, Republic of Korea -- The 51st Civil Engineer Squadron hosts an ability to survive and operate training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. The ATSO training involved realistic training demonstrations from Airmen assigned to the 51st CES, 51st Security Forces Squadron, and the 51st Communications Squadron, where 113 Airmen trained and learned pre-attack actions, and how to operate in a contingency environment.

U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Taylor Cougan, center right, 51st Communications Squadron radio operations technician, briefs Airmen during ability to survive and operate training at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. ATSO training was designed to give new Airmen arriving to Osan quick, 3-day training with demonstration opportunities in a contingency environment. ◀



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Drew Bertrand, center, 51st Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels service center controller, radios in a contamination at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Teams were sent out during ability to survive and operate training in post-attack reconnaissance teams to search for possible contaminations, unexploded ordnances, and casualties in a contingency environment. ▲



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Kyler Friend, right, 51st Civil Engineer Squadron explosive ordnance disposal team member, trains Airmen on unexploded ordnance identification at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. In a contingency environment UXOs may be found throughout the base. It is essential that all Airmen assigned to Osan are prepared to operate in small teams to locate and identify unexploded ordnance and to coordinate with the appropriate units for safe retrieval and disposal. ▲



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Classic Patbingsu

A true classic, patbingsu is the most beloved choice among Koreans, and available at almost every shop that sells bingsu. However, the sweet red bean paste that goes on top of the ice shaving takes a lot of time and effort to bring out the perfect balance of sweetness and texture. It's no surprise most popular patbingsu shops make their own sweet bean paste.



In Seoul

There are several shops in Seoul that make their own sweet red bean paste. One of the most well-known shops where you can taste authentic handmade patbingsu is *Dongbinggo* in Ichon-dong. Its name comes from the term once used for ice storage containers during the Joseon era. The patbingsu from *Dongbinggo* sticks to the original recipe as much as possible, limiting the ingredients to ice, condensed milk, sweet red bean, rice cakes, and milk. Okrumong in Sinchon, known for using the traditional method of boiling red beans in a cauldron, and *Patgodang* in Myeong-dong, a brand celebrated for using domestically produced red beans, also make their own sweet red bean paste.



In Busan

There are many places in Busan famous for their traditional patbingsu. Namcheon Nokcha Patbingsu is one such place, known for their addition of green tea powder. Their patbingsu is extremely cheap, costing only 4,000 won, and they offer unlimited refills of green tea powder. The interior design, featuring wisteria trees, has made the restaurant popular as a photo spot, too.

Another popular patbingsu café in Busan known for making their own sweet red bean paste is *Halmae Patbingsu Danpatjuk*, a long-lasting small business with over 40 years of experience in making patbingsu. The crunchy ice creates the perfect complement to the soft-



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Fire Reporting Procedure

In the event of a fire, prompt and accurate reporting is crucial for ensuring a swift response, minimizing damage, and safeguarding lives. Understanding the fire reporting procedure can make a significant difference in the outcome of an emergency.

- 1. Ensure Personal Safety**
Before reporting a fire, prioritize your safety and the safety of others around you. If the fire is small and manageable, and you are trained, use a fire extinguisher. However, if the fire is out of control, evacuate the area immediately. Follow your building's evacuation plan, using designated exits and avoiding elevators.
- 2. Call Fire Department**
Once you are in a safe location, call Fire Department by 911 (DSN) or 0505-784-9111. When speaking to the Fire Dispatch:
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 - Stay on the line until the Fire Dispatch has all the necessary information.
- 3. Activate the Fire Alarm**
If the fire alarm has not already been activated, do so immediately. Activating the alarm will alert other occupants of the building, initiating their evacuation and alerting the Fire Department.
- 4. Evacuate Safely**
Follow the building's evacuation plan, moving quickly but calmly to the nearest exit. Once outside, move away from the building to a designated rally point and do not re-enter until authorities have declared it safe.
- 5. Provide information to Responders**
When the Fire Department arrives, provide them with any additional information they may need:
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- 6. Wait for the All-Clear**
Do not re-enter the building until fire authorities have given the all-clear. Even if the fire appears to be extinguished, hidden dangers such as smoke, structural damage, or lingering flames may still pose a risk.

Being prepared and knowing the fire reporting procedure can save lives and reduce property damage. Familiarize yourself with these steps to ensure you are ready to act in the event of a fire.

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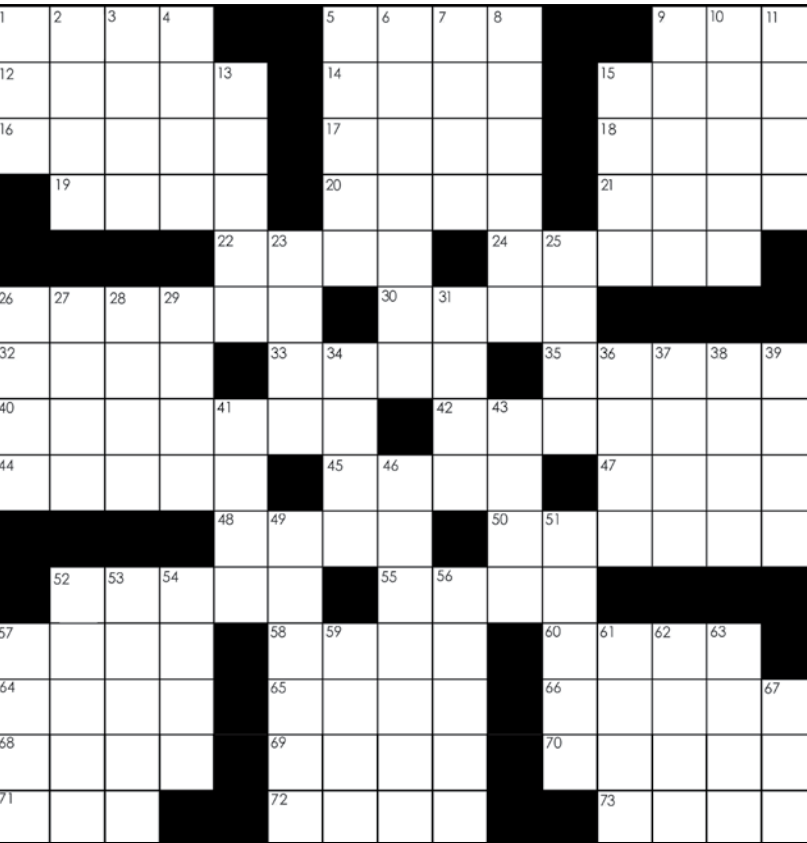
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 - 9 New TV feature
 - 12 The game is ____
 - 14 ____ Lisa
 - 15 Make a hole
 - 16 Painter Hieronymus
 - 17 Cuts
 - 18 Type of exam
 - 19 Former Queens stadium
 - 20 "____ All That"
 - 21 Offbeat
 - 22 As well
 - 24 Buenos ____
 - 26 Do more than necessary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

- DOWN
- 1 Caps lock neighbor
 - 2 Flying saucers
 - 3 ____ Hashanah
 - 4 Philosopher Augusto Del
 - 5 Gather
 - 6 Dugout
 - 7 Leg joint
 - 8 Bahamas capital
 - 9 Genghis Khan's Golden ____
 - 10 Pull along the ground
 - 11 Depend on
 - 13 Anti-missile shield
 - 23 PC opposite of save
 - 25 K-pop band member
 - 26 Labor safety agency
 - 27 Baby cow
 - 28 Japanese punk band
 - 29 Tool for removing leaves
 - 31 Spheres
 - 34 ____-Cola
 - 36 Elderly
 - 37 Only
 - 38 Frankenstein's assistant
 - 39 Seven Deadly ____
 - 41 Come ____ existence
 - 43 American Olympic committee
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 - 49 Beds on a ship
 - 51 Horned mammal
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 - 54 "____ on the range"
 - 56 Geeks
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Into the wild blue yonder: A B-1B Lancer assigned to the 34th Expeditionary Bomb Squadron, Ellsworth Air Force Base, S.D., flies over the United States, July 2, 2025. Known for its long-range, high-speed capabilities, the B-1B is a supersonic heavy bomber capable of carrying up to 75,000 pounds of guided and unguided munitions and plays a critical role in global strike operations, providing flexible payload options and precision engagement in support of U.S. and allied missions. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman Spencer Strubbe) ▲

Target focus: Tech. Sgt. Jessica Garcia, Team Air Force athlete, draws her bow during archery qualifiers at the Department of Defense Warrior Games in Colorado Springs, Colo., July 24, 2025. Athletes competed in standing and seated categories, divided further by compound and recurve bows. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Sophia Robello) ◀



Team fold: U.S. Air Force Academy Parachute Team "Wings of Blue" cadets begin to space out to unfurl the American flag to perform a 13-fold procedure during the Wings Over Wyoming Air Show at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, Wyo., July 26, 2025. As part of the air show, the cadets demonstrate elite parachuting skills while embodying the Air Force's core values through discipline, precision and service to the public. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Michael A. Richmond) ▲

Cruise control: Hawaii Air National Guard Capt. Devon Ferguson and Capt. Michael Ah Hee, 203rd Air Refueling Squadron pilots, fly a KC-135 Stratotanker during exercise Talisman Sabre 25 over Northern Territory, Australia, July 17, 2025. Talisman Sabre is the largest bilateral military exercise between Australia and the United States that advances a safe and secure Indo-Pacific by strengthening relationships and interoperability among key allies and partners while enhancing collective capabilities to respond to a wide array of potential security concerns. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Jocelyn Tuller) ▼



Kunsan

- KUNSAN PHOTO CLUB -
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- SUNDAY SONLIGHT DINNER -
Every Sunday, volunteers from a specific 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.

- PING PONG TOURNAMENT -
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Osan

Alcoholics Anonymous
Every Tuesday and Thursday | 1700-1800 | Building 769, Resiliency Center Training Room
For additional information and a point of contact, visit the AA in Korea website at aainkorea.org

Tobacco Cessation Classes
Every Thursday | 0900-1100 | Building 1419, Human Performance Center (The building right behind the fitness center)
Osan AB offers free tobacco cessation classes to all DOD id members. The health promotion coordinator is available to help you break this habit, through counseling, educational materials, and health coaching. Please make an appointment via her email, Troisha Busano, troisha.d.busano.civ@health.mil.

Ultimate Frisbee
Saturdays | 0900 | Mustang Field (Across from Outdoor Rec)
Open to all AD, CIV, and Dependents w/ base access. Please join us on the field for 60 minutes of cardio-vascular exercise. All ages and experience levels welcome, even if you have never touched a frisbee. POCs – David Brittain 010-8354-1576, SSgt Ethan Troutman, ethan.troutman@us.af.mil, DSN 315-784-5657, CELL 010-5793-2467

Volunteering Coaching Opportunities for High School Sports
Please email Osan Middle High School AO William.Castro@dodea.edu ideally 2-3 months ahead of the season to begin processing your

specified volunteer packet. Once your packet is submitted for processing, you may be a line-of-sight volunteer as you work through the process. Winter sports (Nov 4-Feb 5) offered: Boys and girls basketball, wrestling, swimming, marksmanship, and esports (Valorant and Rocket League). Spring sports (Feb 18-May 22) offered: Baseball/softball, boys and girls soccer, and track. Volunteer coaches will work with DoDEA staff head coaches.

Osan Air Base Honor Guard
Every Monday & Wednesday | 1630-1730 | Bldg. 936 Rm. 211
The Osan Air Base Honor Guard covers ceremonies across the peninsula acknowledging the achievements of our fellow members in uniform and their families. An amazing way to serve the members in your community and build lasting connections between other service members. For any questions, comments, or concerns please reach out to OsanHonorGuard@us.af.mil

Wingmen Helping Airmen Get Home
Saturdays | 2300-0400 | SED
WHAGH is a new program inspired by AADD, whose purpose is to ensure the safety and well-being of Airmen within the Songtan Entertainment District by escorting members to their residences. The WHAGH team is looking for volunteers this weekend. There's no rank requirement to volunteer. All are welcome to help. If interested or for more information, please email 51fw. whagh.1@us.af.mil.

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Osan Air Base Rugby
Mondays and Wednesdays | 1700-1800 | Mustang Field
Whether you're rugby-curious and want to learn, or a veteran player who wants to throw the ball around, come out to the Mustang Field for some fun touch rugby. Sessions will include basic drills, explanations of the game, and plenty of time to play, build camaraderie, and have fun! POC: Maj. Magana 784-9446

Volunteer Opportunities
Mustang community, if you are looking to volunteer checkout our newsletter for opportunities and use the QR code titled "Volunteer Form" Organizations that are looking for volunteers, you can request them using the QR code titled "Organization Form." With the same form, you can put down your upcoming events/programs to be added into next month's issue. POC: Any questions or suggestions please email osan.afrc@us.af.mil

Dental Assistant Program Launch
Application window: July 15-Sept. 12 | Program duration: Oct. 2025-May 2026
The American Red Cross & 51st MDG are offering \$12,000 worth of training for free in a structured volunteer training program offering participants foundational knowledge, clinical exposure, and hands-on experience in dental assisting. Applications available at: Osan American Red Cross Office – Bldg. 924 (same building as Checkertails), Room 102
51st MDG Dental Clinic – Stop by the front desk to request an application Or request via email at osan@redcross.org / call DSN: 784-1855
Points of Contact: Sarah Masters | sarah.masters3@redcross.org | 010-7450-4017 Katrina Dietz | katrina.dietz@redcross.org | 010-7450-4017

Osan Youth Sports Baseball Needs Volunteer Coaches!
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Now Recruiting Baseball Coaches! Our upcoming baseball season is a fantastic opportunity to get into coaching. Baseball practices will be two nights a week, for an hour each practice. Age groups available: Parent & Me (3/4), PeeWee (5/6), Bantam (7/8), Minors (9/10), Majors 11/12, or Juniors (ages 13+). Contact Ryan McKenzie at ryan.mckenzie.7@us.af.mil or call 784-1492

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
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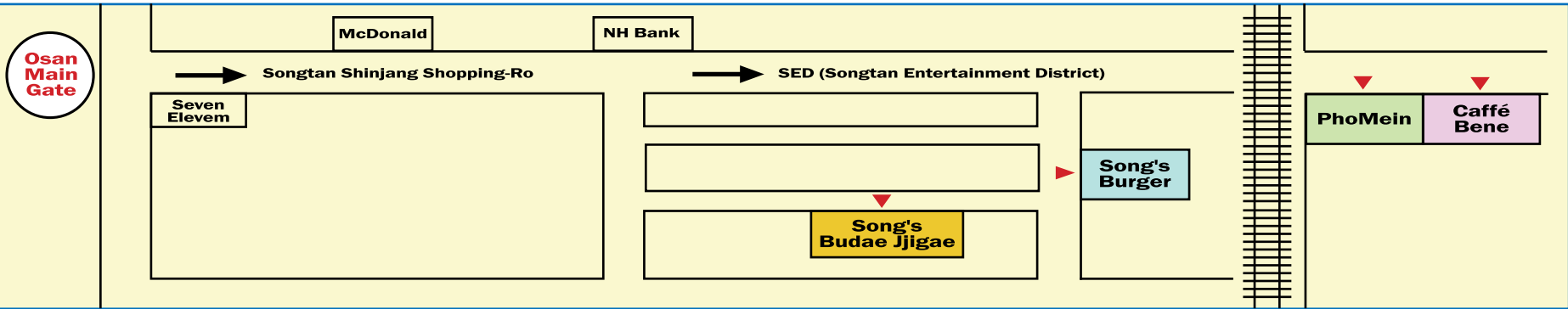


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Staff Sgt. Bryce Vincent

By Senior Airman Tallon Bratton

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea --

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Bryce Vincent, 51st Maintenance Squadron corrosion control lead, was named the 51st Fighter Wing's Mustang of the Week for his outstanding technical expertise, leadership and dedication at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24.

Vincent leads corrosion prevention and treatment operations in aircraft structural maintenance, directly ensuring the safety, reliability and combat readiness of Osan's F-16 Fighting Falcons. His role is critical in sustaining aircraft performance and eliminating delays due to maintenance issues, reinforcing the 51st FW's "Fight Tonight" posture.

"Corrosion control is essential to aircraft readiness," Vincent said. "Without it, jets could suffer serious damage that risks flight safety and mission success. What we do behind the scenes keeps our pilots safe and our aircraft in the fight."

As the corrosion control lead, Vincent directed a six-member team through 67 inspections and 23 major repairs, enabling 2,500 flying hours and more than 1,500 sorties. He also coordinated a two-member team's temporary duty assignment to Kunsan Air Base to support a full wing paint job on an F-16, strengthening regional airpower.

Vincent's initiative extends beyond the hangar. He managed custom aircraft stenciling and memorabilia operations, supporting events such as the master sergeant release party, earning recognition from the wing command chief. He also completed 12 credit hours toward a bachelor's degree, applying his studies to update five squadron standard operating procedures that passed recent inspections with zero findings.

"I take pride in this work because it's not just about maintaining aircraft, it's about maintaining trust," Vincent said. "Every jet that takes off represents the effort my team and I put in to keep it mission-ready."

Vincent's leadership, innovation and commitment to excellence continue to enhance the 51st MXS and ensure Osan remains ready to project airpower at a moment's notice.

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Bryce Vincent, 51st Maintenance Squadron corrosion control lead, poses next to his shop's emblem at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 31, 2025. Vincent was recognized as Mustang of the Week for his leadership and innovation in supporting aircraft structural integrity and unit morale initiatives. ▲



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Bryce Vincent, 51st Maintenance Squadron corrosion control lead, designs custom stencils and memorabilia models at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 31, 2025. Vincent manages stencil production in support of heritage projects and unit recognition events across the 51st Fighter Wing. ▲

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Bryce Vincent, 51st Maintenance Squadron corrosion control lead, discusses product requests with a customer at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 31, 2025. Vincent collaborates with Airmen across the wing to create custom designs and mission-focused materials that support unit pride and readiness. ◀

The Warfighter's Spirit

Spiritual Pressure: Before Small Neglects Become Big Problems



By Ch. Seong Cho
51FW HC

Once boarded a two-hour flight completely drained. The night before, I barely slept. So, as soon as I sat in my window seat, I passed out before the aircraft was even pushed back from the gate. I woke up two hours later when the wheels touched down. I basically slept through the entire flight. As someone who generally

struggles to sleep on airplanes, two hours passing by in the blink of an eye came as a surprise. Nevertheless, the surprise did not last long because as my body woke, I realized something was off. It was followed by clogging of my ears and dull hearing. A high-pitched ringing echoed constantly. I figured the symptoms would go away in a few minutes, but they didn't. The discomfort lasted for nearly three days. Typically, discomfort appears when the cabin pressure changes while ascending and descending. When it happens, we yawn, swallow, or chew gum to equalize pressures. Sleeping throughout the flight, I completely neglected those small and common practices. That flight became a metaphor for something more profound. In the same way that pressure ascends and descends, our internal pressure—stress, fatigue, and emotional strain—can build inside us when we're not paying attention. Spiritual or mental pressure might not show up on a scan or medical chart, but it eventually makes itself known in burnout, cynicism, disconnection, and even moral confusion. The truth is, we all carry invisible loads. In military life—especially overseas—those loads can pile up fast. Workloads, maintaining readiness to "Fight Tonight," loneliness, and missing out on family relationships all take a toll. And just like I skipped the pressure-equalizing yawns and swallows on that flight, we often forget the daily actions that protect our spiritual well-being. So, what does it look like to "equalize pressure"

in the soul? Sometimes, it is as simple as running, not only to stay in shape but also to clear our heads and feel our bodies again. It could be journaling for a few minutes to name your feelings instead of stuffing them down. Some days, it means sitting in silence or meditation—no smartphone, no distractions—just a chance to reset and breathe. For some of us, attending a chapel service or reading a few chapters of our favorite books anchors us to something steady. It could mean reconnection with a friend or mentor who reminds us who we are and why we serve. None of these practices is flashy. Most take less than ten minutes. But just as yawning on a plane makes smooth ascents and descents, some simple practices can make a difference in our spiritual health. Spiritual self-care isn't about escaping reality but about staying ready for it. It helps us respond to pressure changes instead of facing the aftermath of the lack of it. It keeps us connected to our core values and gives us room to recover when life hits hard. If you're feeling worn down, ask yourself: Have I neglected the small things that maintain my spiritual health? Have I let the pressure build without releasing it? We don't have to wait until something breaks. We can start small. Find your version of the yawn, the swallow, or the gum-chewing that brings spiritual balance back to your life. Like our body, our spirit needs maintenance not just in emergencies, but every day.

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

KUNSAN AIR BASE	OSAN AIR BASE	HUMPHREYS
Weekly Worship Services @ Bldg #501	The New Chapel is Open for Worship Services Building 780	
Catholic Holy Mass Sunday at 0900 (Chapel)	Chapel Worship Services:	PROTESTANT - Sundays - 0900 Christ The King Liturgical Service - Pacific Victors Chapel 0930 & 1100 Agape (Contemporary Service) - 4CMC 1000 Burning Bush Gospel Service - Warrior Chapel 1100 Church of Christ - Pacific Victors Chapel 1100 Common Ground (Traditional Service) - Freedom Chapel 1300 Apostolic Pentecostal (Oneness) - Warrior Chapel 1330 Spanish Service - Pacific Victors Chapel - Wednesdays - 1200 Christ The King Eucharist Service - Pacific Victors Chapel 1800 KATUSA Service - Pacific Victors Chapel THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS (LDS) - Sundays - 1400-1600 Worship Meeting - Freedom Chapel POC: CH Droge; 010-8685-2976; shawn.a.droge.mil@mail.mil RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND MINISTRY AUXILIARIES MON/WED 1830 Catholic Men of the Chapel - Freedom TUES 1000-1200 Korean Ladies Bible Study (KLBS) - Freedom TUES 1800-2000 Club Beyond Christian Youth Group - 4CMC * Summer Break until 30 August WED 0930-1145 Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) - 4CMC * Summer Schedule: 1800-2030 (until 28 August) 1830-2030 PWOC Evening Study - 4CMC WED 1000-1200 Korean Catholic Women Bible Study - Freedom 1730-1930 Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC) - Freedom WED 1830-2000 Church of Christ Mid-Week Bible Study - Pacific THUR 0915-1130 Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC) - Freedom THUR 1800-2000 Protestant Men of the Chapel (PMOC) - 4CMC * POC: CH Underhill 010-8520-7217 1st SAT/Month 0830 Knights of Columbus - Freedom CATHOLIC - Freedom Chapel 1600-1700 Adoration (Saturdays) 1600-1700 Reconciliation/Confession (Saturdays) 1640 Rosary/Benediction (Saturdays) • 1730 Vigil Mass (Saturdays) 0900 Mass (Sundays) • 1730 Daily Mass (M-F) POC: usagncatholiccoordinator@gmail.com JEWISH 2nd and 4th Fridays - 4CMC 1800-2100 Shabbat Evening Service POC: CH (CPT) Daniel Kamzan; daniel.j.kamzan.mil@mail.mil ISLAMIC - Pacific Victors Chapel Fridays: 1200-1330 Jumah Service Sundays: 1300-1500 Islamic / Arabic classes POC CPT Anouar Bencheqroun 010-3382-7231 anouar.kbencheqroun.mil PAGAN Traditions Fridays: Freedom Chapel Rm 110/1800-1900 Pagan Fellowship POC: CPT Ryan S. Robinson; ryan.s.robinson14.mil@mail.mil BUDDHIST Tuesdays - Warrior Chapel / 1800-1900 Buddhist Service POC CH (CPT) Sonya Malasri 010-7460-1281 sonya.malasri.mil@mail.mil
Weekday Masses - Tuesday-Thursday at 1138 (Blessed Sacrament Room inside Chapel)	Protestant Service Sunday @ 0930	
Catholic Holy Mass Sunday at 0900 (Chapel)	Catholic Sunday Mass Sunday @ 1130	
Protestant Worship Sunday at 1100 (Chapel)	Catholic Daily Mass is held in Room 173 Tuesday – Thursday @ 1130	
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Sunday at 1300 (Chapel)	For the most current updates and announcements, please visit our "Osan AB Chapel" Facebook page.	
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A team effort: Airmen assigned to the 660th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron inspect a KC-46A Pegasus on the flightline at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., July 15, 2025. With greater refueling, cargo and aeromedical evacuation capabilities compared to the KC-135 Stratotanker, the KC-46 can provide aerial refueling support to most fixed-wing, receiver-capable aircraft. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Robert Nichols) ▲

Flying with flare: Capt. Nick Le Tourneau, F-22 Raptor Aerial Demonstration Team commander, performs an aerial maneuver during the Cocoa Beach Air Show in Cocoa Beach, Fla., July 12, 2025. The demonstration team highlighted cutting-edge airpower, precision and skill, all while reinforcing public confidence in the Air Force's ability to protect and defend. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Lauren Cobin) ◀



Leadership address: Joint Base Charleston leadership addresses Airmen before the wing run at Joint Base Charleston, S.C., July 25, 2025. The run aligns with Air Mobility Command's readiness initiative to foster and strengthen a culture of resilience and preparedness. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Faith Speakman) ▲

Feel the burn: Basic cadet trainees from the Class of 2029 complete Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high-yield Explosives training in Jacks Valley during the second phase of Basic Cadet Training, July 19, 2025, at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo. The second phase of BCT is designed to push cadets to their physical limits to build self-confidence, teamwork skills and tactical and firearms training. (U.S. Air Force photo by Dylan Smith) ◀

Mustang One flies like a Fiend



By Senior Airman Tylir Meyer
51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR FORCE BASE, Republic of Korea -- U.S. Air Force Col. Ryan Ley, 51st Fighter Wing commander, flew an F-16 Fighting Falcon with the 36th Fighter Squadron at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Ley has over 2,500 combined flying hours including 433 combat hours in the F-16, flying missions in support of Operation Odyssey Dawn, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Noble Eagle.

From right to left, U.S. Air Force Col. Ryan Ley, 51st Fighter Wing commander, Capt. Michael Acton, 36th Fighter Squadron pilot, and Maj. James Carson, 51st Operations Group standards and evaluation manager, review flight plans at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. As commander, Ley is responsible for ensuring the wing is ready to defend Osan, execute combat operations, and sustain follow-on forces. ▲



U.S. Air Force Col. Ryan Ley, left, 51st Fighter Wing commander, greets Airman Anthony Zhou, 36th Fighter Generation Squadron assistant dedicated crew chief, before his first flight at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Ley flew with the 36th Fighter Squadron—a combat ready squadron with the capability to conduct air interdiction, close air support and counter-air missions in both day and night conditions. ▲



Senior Airman Cody Richards, 36th Fighter Generation Squadron weapons load crew member, holds an F-16 Fighting Falcon before taxiing for take off at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. The 36th FGS plays a crucial role in the delivery of combat air power on the Korean peninsula, demonstrating Osan's ability to deter and prevail against any threat if necessary. ▲

U.S. Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcons assigned to the 36th Fighter Squadron line up for final checks before take off at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Starting in Summer 2024, the 36th FS became a "Super Squadron" of 31 F-16s, participating in a test to maximize combat effectiveness on the Korean Peninsula. ▲

U.S. Air Force Col. Ryan Ley, 51st Fighter Wing commander, enters an F-16 Fighting Falcon cockpit at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 24, 2025. Ley has over 2,500 combined flying hours including 433 combat hours in the F-16, flying missions in support of Operation Odyssey Dawn, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Noble Eagle. ▲



Pacific IAMD Center hosts Korea Tabletop Academy with Japan Air Self Defense Force observing



JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii – The Pacific Integrated Air and Missile Defense Center hosted the sixth U.S.–Republic of Korea Tabletop Academy from July 14-25, 2025, advancing combined and joint integrated air and missile defense efforts across the Indo-Pacific. This year's event featured the first trilateral senior-level participation from the United States, Republic of Korea and Japan.

The academy opened with a colonel-level session involving leaders from all three nations. Col. Matthew Belote, director of the PIC and Col. Kang Tae-in, chief, Directorate of Intelligence and Operations for the ROK Air Force, Missile Defense Command, delivered opening remarks and COL Oxley, Chief of Staff, 94th AAMDC provided an INDOPACOM IAMD Posture Brief. Col. Mori, of the Japan Air Self-Defense Force observed the session.

"Combined and joint leadership engagement is essential," Belote said. "The integration of allied perspectives at the planning level directly translates to stronger deterrence and operational effectiveness across all domains."

Col. Kang said he appreciated "an opportunity to enhance our joint response capability," adding that "this education by itself is a deterrent to North Korean aggression."

Participants included personnel from the ROKAF, AMDC, U.S. Pacific Air Forces, U.S. Army Pacific, 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command, U.S. Pacific Fleet, DOD Strategic Cybersecurity Program, Space and Cyber Security, U.S. Space Forces – Indo-Pacific, the Joint Counter-small Unmanned Aerial Systems Directorate, and the Joint Ballistic Missile Defense Training and Education Center. JBTEC is DoD's joint training center for Joint IAMD & Offense Defense Integration through All Domains. PIC facilitated IAMD Academics.

During the first week, KTTA included

Senior leaders from the United States, Republic of Korea, and Japan pose for a group photo in front of the 94th Army Air and Missile Defense Command headquarters at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, July 14, 2025, during the sixth annual U.S.–Republic of Korea Tabletop Academy (KTTA). (U.S. Army photo by Capt. Leonard Peralta) ▲

Senior leaders from the United States, Republic of Korea, and Japan participate in a Korea Tabletop Academy (KTTA) overview session during the sixth annual U.S.–Republic of Korea KTTA at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, July 14, 2025. Hosted by the Pacific Integrated Air and Missile Defense Center (PIC), this year's KTTA marked the first trilateral participation and included strategic discussions on combined and joint integrated air and missile defense (IAMD) planning and coordination across the Indo-Pacific. (U.S. Army photo by Capt. Leonard Peralta) ▼



operational briefs, defense design planning sessions, and discussions on IAMD capabilities and theater architecture. Participants also took part in a Theater Operationally Resilient Command and Control exercise provided by the 298th Air Defense Group, Hawai'i Air National Guard. The TORCC session provided practical applications of distributed command and control concepts.

The second week focused on scenario development and modeling using the International Simulations (I-SIM) program, facilitated by the JBTEC. This phase enabled participants to apply lessons from the first week and collaboratively evaluate joint and combined IAMD responses to various threat scenarios.

A highlight of the event included a visit to the USS Shiloh, offering participants exposure to maritime IAMD systems. Participants also attended a USS Arizona Remembrance Tour, hosted by PACFLT, at the USS Arizona Memorial.

"Our ability to integrate across services and with allies is not just a force multiplier, it's a strategic imperative," Belote said. "This academy reinforces the value of joint and combined IAMD planning, ensuring we are aligned in both vision and execution when it matters most."

KTTA remains a cornerstone for building operational trust, improving interoperability and advancing shared defense objectives among U.S. allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific.

Airmen rapidly deploy to support Philippine disaster relief efforts



By 1st Lt. Cullen Drenkhahn
353rd Special Operations Wing

CLARK AIR BASE, Philippines (AFNS) -- Within six hours of notification, U.S. Air Force Airmen from the 353rd Special Operations Wing shifted from training operations in northern Japan to deployment for crisis response operations in the Philippines.

While participating in Resolute Force Pacific 2025 in Misawa, Japan, the 353rd SOW received orders to conduct life-saving efforts in response to severe flooding across Northern Luzon. At the request of the Philippines government, and in coordination with the Armed Forces of the Philippines, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command mobilized joint forces to respond to isolated communities.

The CV-22 Osprey served as a vital platform throughout the operation. Its ability to fly long distances at high speed, take off and land vertically and operate in remote areas made it the ideal aircraft for reaching hard-to-access locations such as Basco, Batanes. On July 30 and 31, CV-22s transported emergency food packs from Clark Air Base to flooded communities. Thousands more are scheduled for delivery in the days ahead. This is the 353rd SOW's most significant employment of CV-22s since the loss of Gundam 22.

In addition to air operations, the 353rd SOW

A U.S. Air Force CV-22 Osprey assigned to the 353rd Special Operations Wing sits on a taxiway at Clark Air Base, Philippines, July 26, 2025. The aircraft was carrying life-saving supplies and personnel to support the Philippine government's disaster response efforts. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Brittany Russell) ▲



Philippine Marines secure Department of Social Welfare and Development family food packs delivered by U.S. Air Force CV-22 Ospreys assigned to the 353rd Special Operations Wing at Basco, Philippines, July 30, 2025. At the request of the Government of the Philippines, the 353rd SOW is working alongside the Armed Forces of the Philippines to provide foreign disaster relief to communities affected by consecutive storms and the southwest monsoon. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Cedrique Oldaker) ▲

deployed a range of specialized forces and capabilities. Special Tactics teams were equipped and ready for missions involving swift water rescue, mass casualty response, collapsed structure recovery and operations at austere landing zones and drop zones. The wing also provided Special Operations Medical Element personnel and Security Forces, ensuring a full-spectrum response to humanitarian needs in the region.

The wing's deployment was only possible thanks to the support from units across Japan. After a CV-22 conducted a precautionary landing at Iwate Hanamaki Airport on July 24, the 374th Airlift Wing at Yokota Air Base dispatched a C-12 Huron to deliver critical parts, enabling a swift return to mission-ready status. The 374th AW also supported by sending logistics and maintenance personnel forward with the contingent. The 35th Fighter Wing at Misawa AB provided ground support and personnel, including a public affairs specialist, to document the operation. At Kadena AB, the 18th Wing provided fuel to transiting CV-22s en route to the Philippines over the weekend, fully outfitted the base gym to serve as temporary lodging for deploying personnel, and provided a public affairs specialist to document.

"This was a true team-of-teams effort," said U.S. Air Force Col. Stewart Parker, commander of the 353rd SOW. "Special Operations Forces cannot respond to crisis without the robust support we received from our Pacific Air Forces teammates. This operation demonstrates the importance of interoperability between Special Operations Command Pacific and joint components in the Indo-Pacific."

The operation was conducted in close coordination with the Philippines' Office of Civil Defense and the Armed Forces of the Philippines, further reinforcing the strong and enduring alliance between the two countries.

"The United States stands shoulder to shoulder with our Filipino allies, especially in responding to disasters," said U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines MaryKay Carlson. "We are grateful to the combined relief and rescue teams who have been working tirelessly on the ground to deliver emergency assistance to affected residents."



A U.S. Air Force MC-130J Commando II assigned to the 353rd Special Operations Wing taxis at Clark Air Base, Philippines, July 26, 2025. The aircraft was carrying life-saving supplies and personnel to support the Philippine government's disaster response efforts. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Brittany Russell) ▲



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U.S. Air Force CV-22 Ospreys assigned to the 353rd Special Operations Wing conduct tilt-rotor air-to-air refueling with an MC-130J Commando II assigned to the 353rd SOW during transit to Clark Air Base, Philippines, over international waters, July 26, 2025. The 353rd SOW sent sending life-saving supplies and personnel to support the Philippine government's disaster response efforts. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Cedrique Oldaker) ◀





Tech. Sgt. Eakin

By Senior Airman Landon Gunsauls
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- Tech. Sgt. Lacey Eakin, a native of Wimberley, Texas and 8th Fighter Wing Staff Judge Advocate Office noncommissioned officer in charge of military justice, won recognition as the Pride of the Pack during the week of July 28 - Aug. 1, 2025, for her work supporting six higher headquarters cases, 14 criminal investigations and fast tracking a short notice tasking keeping a crucial court martial on track.

As the NCOIC of Military Justice, Eakin played a pivotal role in managing Kunsan's military justice portfolio alongside the Chief of Military Justice. Eakin's hard work extends beyond the Wolf Pack as she collaborated with Seventh Air Force's legal leadership, two civilian expert witnesses, and 15 trial witnesses to coordinate more than \$80,000 in travel and expert witness costs.

Eakin is also the installation's Victim Witness Assistance Program Coordinator, her work safeguarded the rights of victims and witnesses across nine cases. She also serves as the office's subject matter expert in progressive discipline and Air Force writing, utilizing her skills by partnering with the Career Development Center to train 12 NCOs and 11 Airmen.

Continuing the hard work she took on the extra duty of the Wing Staff Agency's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response and Suicide Prevention representative, she led two training sessions for 15 personnel and was personally requested to lead two base-wide sessions for 23 members of the Wing. She led the quarterly status of discipline reporting, assembling key data to brief all current cases and fostering cross-talk opportunities with more than 50 of the Wolf Pack's leaders.

Thank you, Tech. Sgt. Eakin, for your tireless commitment to justice, leadership development, and the Wolf Pack's mission. Congratulations on your well-deserved recognition!

Tech. Sgt. Lacey Eakin, 8th Fighter Wing Staff Judge Advocate Office noncommissioned officer in charge of military justice, poses for a photo in the courtroom at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 31, 2025. Eakin was awarded the 8th Fighter Wing's Pride of the Pack for the week of July 28 - Aug. 1 for her efforts in supporting six higher headquarters cases, 14 criminal investigations and fast tracking a short notice tasking keeping a crucial court martial on track. ▲



Tech. Sgt. Lacey Eakin, 8th Fighter Wing Staff Judge Advocate Office noncommissioned officer in charge of military justice, does casework in her office at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, July 31, 2025. Eakin was awarded the 8th Fighter Wing's Pride of the Pack for the week of July 28 - Aug. 1 for her leadership abilities and dedication to ensuring the Wolf Pack remains ready to take it north. ▲

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Bibim Bingsu

🎵 Social media-worthy bingsu

From the countless available bingsu options, how about trying something unique that tempts your palate as well your eyes? If you enjoy taking pictures and showing off your vacation, then we recommend trying a very special “social media-worthy bingsu.” And if you’re a health conscious person, how about trying vegan bingsu, brimming with healthy flavors?

There are cafes in Incheon and Daegu that serve creative and unique jjajangmyeon bingsu, designed to look just like a bowl of jjajangmyeon (noodles in black bean sauce). The white “noodles” are actually ice cream, and the deep dark colored red beans represent the sauce. Following the popularity of Jjajangmyeon bingsu, the “Sweet And” café in Daegu unveiled a new bingsu on their menu, Jjamjjamyeon bingsu, referring to the combination of jjangmyeon and jjamppong (spicy noodle soup).



Bibim Bingsu

🎵 Affordable bingsu

If you’re not up for fancy and expensive bingsu, opt for a bingsu from a café chain. Usually served in a cup as a one-person portion, they are convenient for a takeout. Available in a wide range of options and compact size, chain café bingsu is sure to please anyone who loves trying different flavors or eating out alone. With the chain stores available nationwide, these bingsu are perfect for a hot summer day. Just be sure to call and check availability, as they can sell out quickly.



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🎵 Luxury hotel bingsu

Every summer, even luxury hotels jump on the bingsu train to serve up sweets as luxurious as their rooms. The steep price of the apple mango bingsu available this year at *The Shilla Hotel* and *Signiel Hotel* in Seoul doesn’t stop it from being so popular that there is a waitlist to enjoy it. At Four Seasons Hotel Seoul, you can enjoy two types of delicious bingsu made with Jeju apple mango, red bean, and green tea. The maru bingsu in particular is this year’s special option, blending the taste of green tea powder cream with vanilla cream for a full-bodied taste. Most hotels only offer bingsu for a limited period, so be sure to call in advance.



Mango bingsu at The Shilla Hotel



Mango bingsu at Four Seasons Hotel

🎵 Vegan bingsu

New vegan bingsu has come out for vegetarians and vegans who have a sweet tooth. *Pan Honesta*, a vegan bakery in Itaewon, makes vegan bingsu using oat milk for the ice base and coconut-based sugar as an alternative for regular sugar, offering a healthy alternative. They offer a variety of bingsu with different vegan toppings, including black sesame, pistachio, mango, and green tea powder. The Busan branch of the bakery also offers vegan options, prepared with ingredients such as coconut milk and soy milk.



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