



PACAF hosts historic Women, Peace, and Security Symposium

By By Tech. Sgt. Nick Wilson Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM,

Hawaii -- U.S. Pacific Air Forces (PACAF) hosted its first Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Symposium here, March 29 to April 1.

The goal of the symposium was to meet U.S. Department of Defense objectives to exemplify women's meaningful participation across the development, management, and employment of the Joint Force. Additionally, another long-term

defense objective for WPS is to work alongside partner nations to ensure the safety, security and the protection of human rights among women and girls, especially during conflict and crisis.

"We're committed to increasing participation of women in the security and defense apparatuses," said Australian Army Brigadier Nerolie McDonald, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command Vice Director for Intelligence and guest speaker during PACAF's WPS symposium. "And we're committed to ensuring that the gender

perspective is embraced within the defense and the defense culture."

One hundred and sixteen virtual and in-person representatives from 20 nations throughout the Indo-Pacific attended the symposium. In addition to Brigadier McDonald, some of the guest speakers included Gen. (ret.) Lori Robinson, and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Joanne Bass to name a few.

"The tone is about making sure we're all rowing the same way," Robinson explained.

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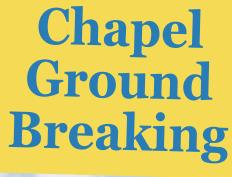


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Col. John Gonzales, 51st Fighter Wing commander, speaks during the chapel breaking ground ceremony at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 13, 2021. The new 24,100 sq. foot chapel will have space to provide religious services as well as classrooms, office spaces and activity rooms. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Kevyn Allen) ▶

Maj. Shin Soh, 51st Fighter Wing chaplain, talks about the significance of the new chapel during the breaking ground ceremony at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 13, 2021. The new 24,100 sq. foot chapel will have space to provide religious services as well as classrooms, office spaces and activity rooms. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Kevyn Allen) ▼







Wolf Pack celebrates heritage through diversity, inclusion

By Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner **8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs**

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- The 8th Fighter Wing "Wolf Pack" hosted a Seventh Air Force Diversity & Inclusion Day, themed "Heritage through Diversity," at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 12, 2021.

Organized by the wing's Diversity & Inclusion team, participants celebrated the diverse cultures, backgrounds, and experiences representative of 7th Air Force personnel across the Korean Peninsula.

"Along our diversity and inclusion journey, we've attempted multiple avenues to provide an opportunity to our members to speak their Deborah Prescott, 8th Force Support Squadron Airman & Family Readiness Center flight chief, talks to participants during the 7th Air Force Diversity & Inclusion Day at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 12, 2021. Participants enjoyed cultural performances and food, as well as discussions and activities related to the day's theme, 'Heritage through Diversity.' (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Will Bracy) ▲



Senior Master Sgt. Mary Anne Chambers, 8th Comptroller Squadron superintendent, shows off her Filipino flag mask during the Diversity and Inclusion Day at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea April 12, 2021. Participants enjoyed cultural performances and food, as well as discussions and activities related to the day's theme, 'Heritage through Diversity.' (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Will Bracy)

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Captain Eugene Ansah, 8th Fighter Wing chaplain, poses at the African food table during the Diversity and Inclusion Day at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea April 12, 2021. Participants enjoyed cultural performances and food, as well as discussions and activities related to the day's theme, 'Heritage through Diversity.' (U.S. photo by Tech. Sgt. Will Bracy) ▶

mind," said Col. Christopher Hammond, 8th FW commander. "What I've learned is that everyone has a story, and no one story is the same; which is all the more reason we continue to cultivate and demand a culture of dignity and respect for the members of the Wolf Pack."

Through conversation and activities that involved audience participation, leaders emphasized the importance of actively listening to different perspectives.

"Sometimes we have the mission pulling us in one direction while we still have personal issues to address," said Deborah Prescott, 8th Force Support Squadron Airman & Family Readiness Center flight chief. "Be prepared to stop and speak, and/ or listen."

In an opening video, Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, 7th Air Force commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Philip Hudson, 7th Air Force command chief, explained the importance of embracing diversity.

"By sharing our perspectives and embracing our differences, we're taking steps to becoming a more inclusive force," Pleus said. "I encourage you to share your unique experiences and listen to the stories of others with an open mind and a desire to reach understanding."

From squadron heritage exhibits, to cultural performances and food booths, participants were reminded to value diversity - both past and present - as the fight for inclusion continues.

"Diversity is strategic," said Master Sgt. Robert Ivey, 8th FW chief of Equal Opportunity. "Culture change is required to foster an environment where diversity can flourish. We're on the right track, but progress is a slow thing.

"Diversity is a military necessity," Ivey said. "It enhances Air Force capabilities and warfighter skills."

In a closing video, Gen. Charles "CQ" Brown, Wolf 46 and Chief of Staff of the Air Force, shared his insight and encouragement with the men and women of the Wolf Pack.

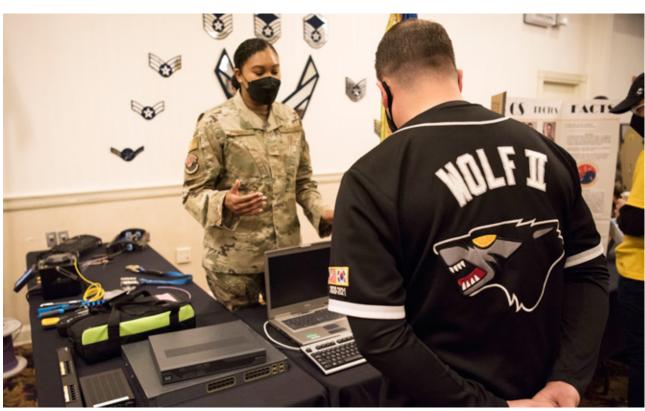
"We recognize the strength that comes with diversity," Brown said. "We will keep working to move barriers and remove biases. Be brave enough to be who you are, and also take the time to know each other."

Master Sgt. Brittany Hambrick, 8th Communications Squadron operations flight chief, explains the squadron's mission to Col. David "Wolf II" Ross, 8th Fighter Wing vice commander, during the 7th Air Force Diversity & Inclusion Day at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 12, 2021. Participants enjoyed cultural performances and food, as well as discussions and activities related to the day's theme, 'Heritage through Diversity.' (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Will Bracy) ▶





Republic of Korea Air Force 1st Lt. Park Jong-Hyun, 38th Fighter Group logistics branch officer, performs during the Diversity and Inclusion Day at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea April 12, 2021. Participants enjoyed cultural performances and food, as well as discussions and activities related to the day's theme, 'Heritage through Diversity.' (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Will Bracy)





operations out of Iwakuni

By Staff Sgt. Hailey Haux, Pacific Air Forces Public Affairs

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM,

Hawaii -- A contingent of Air National Guard and active-duty Airmen based out of Hawaii were deployed to Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan to conduct Dynamic Force Employment operations, March 12 through April 5.

Throughout their time in Japan the Airmen deployed from the 199th Fighter Squadron and 19th Fighter Squadron at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, trained alongside their Marine and Koku-Jieitai, or Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF), counterparts in support of the National Defense Strategy's effort in maintaining global peace and stability.

"This [deployment] allows our pilots and maintainers to train alongside one another, learn and apply best practices and ensure the joint force remains agile and responsive in the Pacific," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Brian Nash, F-22 Detachment Commander, MCAS-Iwakuni. "This exercise demonstrates the Total Force's ability to rapidly and unpredictably project combat power to a place and time of our choosing."

DFE operations fall under the scope of Agile Combat Employment capabilities which allows for Pacific Air Forces to continuously exercise ways to improve passive and active defense capabilities to ensure a competitive advantage and to protect assets and personnel in the future.

While conducting operations out of MCAS Iwakuni, Airmen got the chance to work hand-in-hand with their Marine counterparts, building their Joint Team capabilities.

"Having our 5th Generation counterparts here allowed us to share knowledge and practice tactics that will be relevant when we are called upon," said a U.S. Marine Corps F-35B pilot. "The F-22 deployment to Iwakuni afforded resident squadrons valuable training opportunities and increased our ability to fight and win in this area of responsibility."

Not only did the Airmen train and hone their Joint All Domain Command and Control skills, conducting combined exercises with their JASDF counterparts bolstered the interoperability of both militaries.

"Fighter units of our two countries have the capability to respond to any situations and to swiftly achieve their tactical goals," said JASDF Lt. Col. Tamura Hidetoshi, 302nd Fighter Squadron commander.

"Also, we are constantly enhancing these capabilities through bilateral training and we are determined to maintain the air power needed to ensure regional security. Having participated in this training, I am very convinced that Japan and the U.S. are absolutely unanimous in their intention and capabilities."

U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptors from the 199th Fighter Squadron and Japan Air Self-Defense Force F-35A Lightning II aircraft from the 302nd Tactical Fighter Squadron fly alongside a U.S. Air Force KC-135 Stratotanker from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron during 5th generation fighter training near Japan, April 1, 2021. The F-22 Raptors are currently operating out of Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, to support U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's dynamic force employment concept. U.S. and Japanese forces train and operate together regularly, employing a full spectrum of joint and bilateral capabilities, to defend Japan and support a secure and stable Indo-Pacific region. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Rebeckah Medeiros) ▲



A U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptor, from the 199th Fighter Squadron, approaches a KC-135 Stratotanker, from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron, for refueling during a 5th generation fighter operation near Japan, April 1, 2021. The F-22 Raptors are currently operating out of Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, to support U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's dynamic force employment concept. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Rebeckah Medeiros) ▲



Osan's CV signs proclamation recognizing Sexual Assault Awareness, Prevention month

By Senior Airman Branden Rae 51st Fighter Wing Public Affairs

OSAN AIR BASE, Republic of Korea -- April is recognized as Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention month across the United States.

The day-to-day mission of the Osan Air Base's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response office is to educate, advocate and collaborate to respond to and stop sexual assault and its harmful effects within the Air Force.

Throughout the month of April, Osan's SAPR office will be hosting various events to help build awareness about its importance.

Col. Henry Jeffress, 51st Fighter Wing vice commander, signed a proclamation encouraging everyone to be part of the solution.

The proclamation states:

"April commemorates National Sexual Assault Awareness & Prevention Month and reaffirms our commitment to eradicate sexual assault and sexual harassment in our ranks and in our military communities.

"The 2021 ongoing DoD SAAPM theme is "Protecting Our People Protects Our Mission." Together, we can work to further reduce, with the goal to eliminate, sexual assault from the armed forces. Our military is the most trusted institution in America and our Service members have signed a blank check to the American people, payable with their lives.

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Sexual Assault Prevention and Response staff, volunteer victim advocates and Col. Henry Jeffress, 51st Fighter Wing vice commander, poses for a group photo at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 1, 2021. SAPR VVAs provide essential support and care to victims by assisting them in making informed decisions as they progress through resolution and healing. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae)

Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, 7th Air Force commander, performs a preflight inspection on an F-16 Fighting Falcon with Senior Airman Mequail Fridge, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, on the flightline at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 1, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov) ▶

Maintenance Squadron crew chief, on the flightline at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 1, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov)



Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, 7th
Air Force commander,
speaks with company
grade officers during
a mentoring session
at Kunsan Air Base,
Republic of Korea, April
1, 2021. During his visit,
Pleus toured the O'Malley
Dining Facility, visited
the fighter squadrons
and more. (U.S. Air Force
photo by Senior Airman
Suzie Plotnikov)

Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, 7th Air Force commander. talks about optimizing the human weapon system at the 80th Fighter **Squadron at Kunsan Air** Base, Republic of Korea, **April 1, 2021. During** his visit, Pleus held a mentorship session with Kunsan's company grade officers, toured the O'Malley Dining Facility, visited the fighter squadrons and more. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov) ▼



Rodrigo Almada, 35th Fighter Squadron athletic trainer, and Gayla Spencer, 8th Operations Group licensed massage therapist, brief Lt. Gen. Scott Pleus, 7th Air Force commander, about their role in the squadron's initiative to optimize the human weapon system at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, March 31, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Suzie Plotnikov)



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"But understanding, you know, that there are differences, and there are sensitivities. But that shouldn't be the top thing. What should be the top thing is that we're all trying to get the same thing done and that is something I think we can always continue to strive for."

"It's not just about us imparting our knowledge, it's about learning from our partners, and learning the gender perspective that they have," McDonald said. "It enriches our understanding of the cultures (and) it enriches our understanding of the people involved in disasters in conflict and post conflict environments."

McDonald also explained that by bringing an understanding to the gender perspective, senior leaders are better able to tailor what type of support is provided to different circumstances.

"We have more to do and we have to work toward continuing the effort — ensuring we do have a gendered perspective in how we operate over the coming years," McDonald said. "At the end of the day, it's the whole of defense, whole of government, whole of region effort to ensure that women peace and security issues are progressed and the initiatives are met as we move forward."

In terms of moving forward, Chief Bass also provided context to how the U.S. Air Force should move forward to modernize Air Force policies and programs.

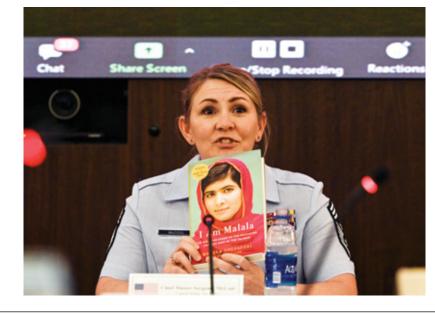
"Our Air Force looks very different today than it did when I first came in and so does the family unit," Bass said. "If you look at ... statistics when I first joined our military compared to today, you have more women serving, you have more dual-military (couples) serving, you have more dual working parents serving, and you have a lot of single parents serving."

In support of U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff CQ Brown, Jr.'s "Accelerate Change, or Lose" initiative, Bass highlighted that many of the Air Force's policies and processes that are in effect from today are still tied to the 1990s to 2000s era.

Australian Army Brigadier Nerolie McDonald, left, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command vice director for Intelligence, and U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. Jennifer Short, Pacific Air Forces chief of staff, render salutes alongside a flight of multilateral Indo-Pacific partners during a visit to the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial, Honolulu, Hawaii, March 30, 2021. The memorial visit was organized as part of PACAF's first Women, Peace, and Security symposium, which enabled PACAF Airmen to work alongside partner nations to ensure the safety, security, and the protection of human rights among women and girls, especially during conflict and crisis. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nick Wilson)



U.S. Air Force Gen. (ret.) Lori Robinson teleconference during Pacific Air Forces' first Women's, Peace, and Security symposium, hosted from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, March 30, 2021. During her speech, Robinson highlighted the importance of senior leaders setting the tone for ensuring they make decisions indiscriminant of unconscious bias, gender, race, ethnicity or background. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nick Wilson) ▲



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Kathleen McCool, 5th Air Force command chief, shares her personal opinions about a book titled. "I Am Malala." during Pacific Air Forces' first Women's, Peace, and Security symposium, hosted from Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, March 31, 2021. The book is about a fifteen vear old girl who was nearly killed after being shot in the head at point-blank range while speaking out about girl's rights to education. McCool referenced the book during her speech to highlight the importance of human rights among women and girls during conflict and crisis. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Nick Wilson) ◀



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"If we don't evolve the way we manage the talent in our Air Force, then it's not going to put us in a good light," Bass said. "So we've got to change the way we manage our talent, and we've got to adjust fire to the family dynamic that we have today."

Throughout the week, the WPS symposium reviewed and discussed global principles such as the women's participation in peace and security, inclusion of women in conflict prevention, and the equal application of the rule of law, among many other topics.

"WPS, is ultimately about ensuring that women are equally and meaningfully engaged in every space where conversations and decisions about peace and security are being made," said U.S. Air Force Gen. Ken Wilsbach, PACAF commander. "We've made a lot of advances in the past few years, like opening up career fields in many countries to women, but there's still some room to grow.

"For example, I was speaking to a friend's daughter and mentioned she should be a fighter pilot. But her response surprised me," Wilsbach continued. "She didn't believe that was even an available option to her, and yet right here on our staff Brig. Gen. Jennifer Short, a fighter pilot, serves alongside me every day. We have to continue to be better to maximize security for our nation."













8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Airmen pose for a photo during the 8th Maintenance Group's first quarter Weapons Load Crew Competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 3, 2021. Senior Airman Mequail Fridge, 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit dedicated crew chief, and Senior Airman Raven Deleon, 35th AMU assistant dedicated crew chief, won the DCC competition for the first quarter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner)



Airman 1st Class Lilianna Velez, 35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load crew member, operates a bomb lift during the 8th Maintenance Group's first quarter weapons load crew competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 3, 2021. The three-person crews are iudged on safety measures, technical proficiency, and time. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner) ▲

Staff Sgt. Jessy Perez, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons crew chief, Senior Airman Benjamin Barense, 80th AMU weapons crew chief, and Airman 1st Class Natalie Navia, 80th AMU weapons crew member, prepare to present their F-16 Fighting Falcon during the 8th Maintenance Group's first quarter weapons load crew competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 3, 2021. The three-person crews are judged on safety measures, technical proficiency and time. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner) ▼



Colonel Daniel Cornelius, 8th Maintenance Group commander, Senior Airman Sarah De Luna, 80th Aircraft Maintenance Unit load crew member, and Chief Master Sgt. Carlos Cordova, 8th MXG command chief, pose for a photo during the first quarter weapons load crew competition at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 3, 2021. Senior Airman De Luna won the "Jammer Jamboree" award for having the fastest time navigating the obstacle course. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner) ▼



HOT WORK SAFETY

April 16, 2021

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ir Force Academy cadets march on Stillman Field during the pass in review portion of the Founder's Day parade at Stillman Field in Colorado Spring, Colo., April 2, 2021. The Pass in Review is a military tradition that began as a way for a newly assigned commander to inspect their troops. (U.S. Air Force photo by Joshua Armstrong) ◀

irmen carry a training transfer case during Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations nighttime dignified transfer training, March 30, 2021 at Dover Air Force Base, Del. Transfer cases used during training are weighted to simulate a fallen service member wearing full protective gear. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Stephani Barge) ▼

Air Force F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft flies over the U.S. Air Force Central Command area of responsibility during a mission supporting Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent Resolve, March 30, 2021. The F-16 is a compact, multirole fighter aircraft that delivers airpower to the U.S. CENTCOM AOR. CJTF-OIR enables its partners to ensure the enduring defeat of Islamic State Group in designated areas of Iraq and Syria and sets conditions for follow-on operations to increase regional stability. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Trevor T. McBride)

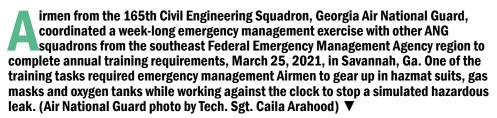




taff Sgt. Alexa Ammerman, 60th Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, acts as a decoy for MWD Gyozo during a training session March 16, 2021, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Handlers and their canine partners form highly-trained teams responsible for detecting drugs and explosives and protecting and defending military assets worldwide. (U.S. Air Force photo by Heide Couch)



ir Force medical staff, members of the Michigan Department of Health, and Meijer pharmacists fill doses of COVID-19 vaccines during the grand opening of the state-run, federally-supported Ford Field Community Vaccination Center in Detroit, March 23, 2021. The site will vaccinate up to 6,000 community members per day. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Andrew Wash, 5th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment)





ARMY NEWS

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- KUNSAN PHOTO CLUB -

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

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Every Sunday, volunteers from a spe-

- SUNDAY SONLIGHT DINNER -

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 -

Reservations – Front Desk-DSN 782- 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 -

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- 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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AIR FORCE VIRTUAL EDUCATION CEN-TER: The new Air Force Virtual Education Center (AFVEC) is currently working intermittently Air Force wide. Please be patient & keep trying to access it. When accessing AFVEC or trying to get MilTA approval in AFVEC from your supervisor, use Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge. Please contact the Education Center at 784-4220 or 51fss.fsde@us.af.mil for

AFCEA HOSTED GUEST SPEAKER: 3D AFSC TRANSFORMATION: AFCEA is

further questions/concerns. Thank you!

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

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 Anthem 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 vou are interested.

MUNITIONS 100 PERCENT INVEN-

TORY: 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-

1-800-733-2761 (anytime)

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 dependents/civilians/contractors. For more information or to register, call 784.2148...registration is encouraged but not required.

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OSAN BASE SHUTTLE CHANGES:

Starting 18 January 2021, the base shuttle service will change its schedule and route to the following: Monday through Friday: (0530 - 0830 and 1500 - 1900) The updated route will be posted in the Osan App and on all the stops (new & old) to prevent confusion.

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

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

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)		

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	

Another project under the belt for the **Far East** District

By Susan Lee

April 16, 2021

USAG HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Far East District (FED) completed its latest project, SPTo6o Site 2 Building E, a support building, with an Acceptance Release Letter (ARL) ceremony at USAG Humphreys, Pyeongtaek, Republic of Korea, Apr. 2.

The ARL signing signifies a milestone in a project, where the U.S. government accepts the substantially completed facility from the Republic of Korea (ROK) government. A ceremony is held to commemorate the strength of the US-ROK alliance, which is demonstrated in the completed facility.

During this event, the U.S. Design and Construction Agent (DCA), Col. Garrett B. Cottrell, accepted the new Army support building on behalf of the U.S. government from the ROK DCA, Col. Pyo In Tae, on behalf of the ROK government. After a building is accepted by the U.S. government, it is only a matter of time before end-users receive the building, which is often celebrated with a ribboncutting ceremony.

Building E provides end-users with 152,826 square feet of cold and dry storage space for their supplies and equipment. Turnover of this facility marks the completion of Site 2 and the greater project under which it fell. The overarching project, SPTo60, consisted of a bundle of storage warehouse projects, required by a variety of end-users to include but not limited to the Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Supply, Morale, Welfare & Recreation (MWR) Supply, Directorate of Emergency Services (DES), and DES Fire.

"As a Soldier, I know how important these facilities are to sustainment and readiness," said Pyo. "This facility will contribute to increasing the overall quality of life and services provided to Soldiers, Civilians, Contractors, and dependents stationed at USAG Humphreys."

This is another project completed under the Yongsan Relocation Plan, which relocates most U.S. Forces and headquarters activities from the Seoul metropolitan area to areas south, most notably to U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys.

Among the guests present for the ARL signing ceremony was FED Project Engineer, Anibal Barrios.

"Finishing the facility has been a breath of fresh air," said Barrios. "Despite the challenges we encountered, we delivered."

With this project wrapped up and under the belt, Barrios is looking forward to delivering his next project.



Col. Garrett Cottrell (left), Deputy Commanding Officer - Transformation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, and Col. Pyo In Tae (right), Chief, Program Management Team, ROK Design and Construction Agent, sign the Acceptance Release Letter for SPT060 Site 2 Building E. which will support storage requirements for various agencies across USAG Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Apr. 2, 2021. (Photo Credit: Susan Lee) ▲



Captured is the new Army storage warehouse staging and loading docks, which was turned over to Col. Garrett Cottrell, Deputy Commanding Officer - Transformation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, on behalf of the U.S. government by Col. Pyo In Tae, ROK Design and Construction Agent, on behalf of the ROK government during the Acceptance Release Letter signing at USAG Humphreys, Republic of Korea, Apr. 2, 2021. (Photo Credit: Susan Lee) ▲

USACE Far East District is the premier engineering, design, and construction agent for all DoD agencies in the Republic of Korea. Since its inception, the Far East District has played a critical role in the security and stability of the region and in strengthening the alliance between the US and the ROK. As such, it also fulfills a unique mission; the only "maneuver" district within USACE, FED must always be prepared for war, even while building for peace on the Korean peninsula. The Far East District is responsible for executing a multi-billion dollar program, the largest construction program managed by the U.S. Army.

Spiritual Charge

The Success Principles



By Ch, Capt, Sharad H. Creasman

Share Your Story

One of the most challenging moments in my life was watching my father die from cancer. I was thirteen years old. I was devastated. I was mad at myself, the circumstances, and a power greater than my own - fuming from the physical loss of someone that meant and still means so much to me. Less than two months later, my grandfather, my dad's father,

KUNSAN AIR BASE

Protestant Services

Gospel Service Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

Contemporary Service

Sunday 5 p.m. Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

Catholic Services

Sunday Catholic Mass

Sunday, 9:45 a.m.

Main Chapel, Bldg. 501

Daily Mass and Reconciliation

Please call the Chapel

Other Worship Opportunities

LDS Service

Sunday, 1:00 p.m.

SonLight Inn, Bldg. 510

Point of Contact:

Kunsan Chapel, 782-HOPE

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https://kunsan.eis.pacaf.af.mil/8FW/HC

died, and my mother admitted her inability to overcome a severe addiction to drugs.

My father's physical loss coupled with my mother's drug use led to a perpetual lack of money. I grew accustomed to, and tired of, living in spaces where there was no electricity, no food, no running water, and where multiple car repossessions and house evictions seemed to be the norm. Life was much different than what I had known before my father died. Life felt like a novice photographer trying to take a still shot of a moving train: everything appeared blurry. The reality was I had significant invisible wounds and fears about the future but masked the pain with smiles and words suggesting I was doing fine. I was not okay. I was in trouble. I needed help, but I didn't know where to begin.

Let Go of What's Preventing **You From Soaring**

Years later, I recognized I lost more than my dad and granddad's physical presence and my mother's consistent presence at home. I lost the ability to feel: to feel happy, inspired, hopeful, and full of life. I felt like the circumstances in my life had somehow stolen something from me or possibly permitted me

to bury a part of who I was or who I

was becoming. Eventually, I got tired of the downward cycle of distress. I decided to reclaim my sacred worth by living the life I desired instead of waiting for people, a job, the right opportunity, or the financial freedom I wanted to make life more enjoyable. That meant reclaiming who I wanted to be in the world, and surrounding myself with positive people and words. That took dedication, honesty, and a commitment to my holistic growth. I had to learn how to focus my energy on things that fueled my progress, not stifled it.

I had to recognize that the painful stories I told myself about my life were not the only powerful narratives that informed my life. I could choose to recall the stories of hope, peace, and happiness that are also abundant throughout my life.

Reclaim Your Greatness

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I say that to say this: we all have baggage we carry, struggles and pains we don't care to share, and things we hope our friends, coworkers, and family will never learn about us. Perhaps it's not the struggles associated with a loved one's death. Maybe it's your struggle with an addiction, a relationship, an abusive situation, a child, or an experience with defeat. We all carry them. But, we can choose to forgive ourselves, drop that weight, and recall the memories, people, and places that uplift us.

Start Now

Whatever you are experiencing or have experienced, know this: today is a new day. You can start fresh, wipe the slate clean, and begin again. Today you can practice compassion, ask for help, make it happen, listen with your whole heart, be brave, start now, and be the very thing you wish to see and be in the world. Great things are happening in your life. I dare you to believe it.

CHAPEL SCHEDULE

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: Protestant Services are now being held at the base theater across from the Exchange o Community Service @ 0900

o Gospel Service @ 1100

Catholic service times/location:

Catholic Sunday Masses are now being held at the Mustang Center

- 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 -- 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 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

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, 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 Kamzam daniel.j,kamzam.mil@mail.mil

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

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

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







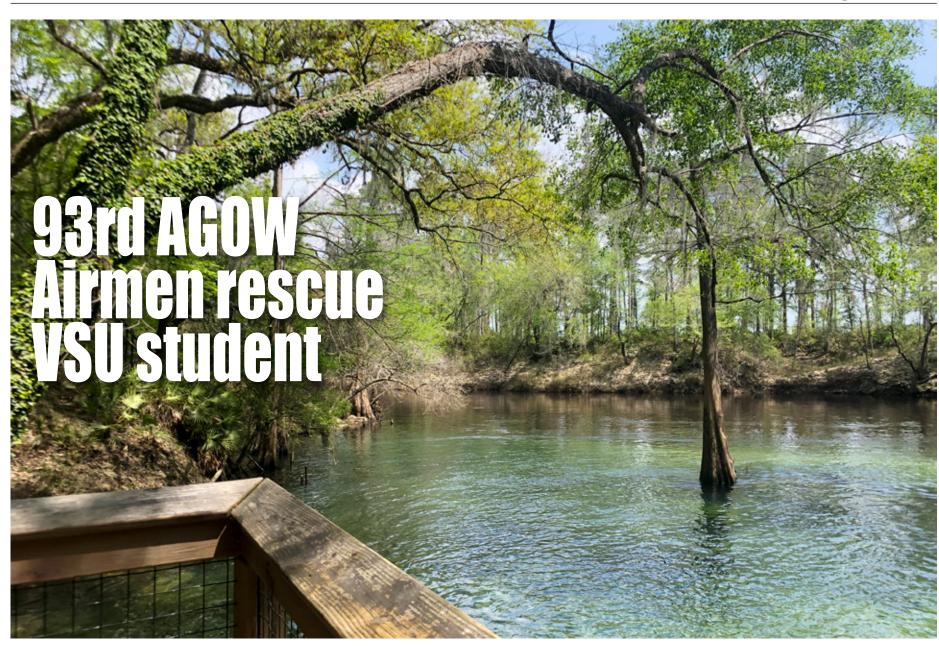
our F-22 Raptors from the 199th Fighter Squadron fly alongside a U.S. Air Force KC-135 Stratotanker from the 909th Air Refueling Squadron during fifth-generation fighter training near Mount Fuji, Japan, April 1, 2021. The Raptors are currently operating out of Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, in support of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command's dynamic force employment concept. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Rebeckah Medeiros) ▲

pararescue jumpers and combat rescue officers from the 48th Rescue Squadron practice retrieving astronauts from a SpaceX capsule mockup during the Rescue Force Qualification Course at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Fla., Feb. 23, 2021. The qualification course is hosted by the Department of Defense Human Space Flight Support Office, and provides quarterly training for DoD rescue personnel, partner agencies, and other rescue organizations with real-world instructions for astronaut recovery. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Christopher Muncy) ◀



325th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron load crew lifts a guided bomb unit, or GBU-32, during the unit's weapons load competition March 23, 2021, at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. Weapons load crews use the competition to see who can load armaments onto aircraft the fastest and with fewest errors. (U.S. Air Force photo by Samuel King Jr.) ▲

etired Col. Dean Neeley and retired Lt. Col. Jon Huggins, 1st Reconnaissance Squadron U-2 Dragon Lady instructor pilots, sit en route to the flightline, March 23, 2021, at Beale Air Force Base, Calif. As civilian U-2 instructor pilots, Neeley and Huggins work with the newest U-2 trainees and get them proficient at flying the aircraft. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Luis A. Ruiz Vazquez) ◀



By Airman Rachel Perkinson, 23rd Wing Public Affairs

MOODY AIR FORCE BASE,

Ga. (AFNS) -- Two Airmen with the 93rd Air Ground Operations Wing saved a man from a near-drowning incident at Madison Blue Springs State Park, Florida, March 27.

After completing a mission readiness exercise the weekend prior, Senior Airman Jeremy Rowland, 822nd Base Defense Squadron security forces squad systems operator, and Airman 1st Class Colin Bracken, 822nd BDS security forces fire team member, spent their day swimming at the spring when they noticed a man struggling to swim, later identified as a Valdosta State University student.

"We'd only been in the water maybe 10, 15 minutes, just relaxing, and just out of the corner of our eyes, we both looked over and saw him bobbing up and down," Bracken said.

That scenario is globally common. According to the World Health Organization, drowning is the third leading cause of unintentional injury death worldwide, accounting for 7% of all injury-related deaths with an estimate of 320,000 annual

drowning deaths worldwide.

Bracken grew up swimming in the ocean, so he was always aware of the dangers of swimming. From his experience, he recognized the man in distress and sprang into action.

"We swam over to double-check if he was okay," Bracken said.
"We asked him if he knew how to swim, and he said, 'No.' I grabbed him on one side and (Rowland) grabbed him on the other, and through the current, we swam onto the shore, sat him down, and made sure he was breathing."

Even with each other's help, the Airmen faced a challenging task; the Madison Blue Springs is adjacent to the Withlacoochee River, which brings in a strong current.

"We had the current pushing up against us," Rowland said. "We were having to swim against and across it, so it wasn't easy."

Their physically demanding job and hours of training helped them swim ashore.

"It's good to know my training has paid off on stress inoculation," Rowland said about how emergencies can happen at a moment's notice. "I think A photo of Madison Blue Springs State Park, Florida, March 27, 2021. (Courtesy photo by U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Colin Bracken) \blacktriangle



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Jeremy Rowland, 822d Base Defense Squadron security forces squad systems operator, poses for a photo, March 31, 2021, at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia. Rowland and Airman 1st Class Colin Bracken, 822d BDS security forces fire team member, rescued a Valdosta State University student from a near-drowning incident at Madison Blue Springs State Park, Florida, March 27, 2021. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman Rachel Perkinson) ▲

I can credit that to the Air Force with (Tactical Combat Casualty Care) training and other (similar) training."

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Thanks to the quick response of these Airmen, the individual was able to walk away alive and well.

"It feels good to know they will look out for other people, not only on duty, but off duty as well," said Staff Sgt. Nicolas Rowe, 820th Combat Operations Squadron training instructor. "They went above and beyond what was asked of them and even helped the person afterwards. They stayed with him for 30 or so minutes to make sure he was okay and didn't need any medical assistance."

As their previous supervisor, Rowe is grateful for the Airmen's work

ethic as well.

"(Rowland) has been a big leader since he's put on senior airman and stepped up as our radio transitions operator at work," Rowe said. "He's been training all the new Airmen and has really stepped up to the

"(Bracken) has been hitting the ground running ever since he got here. He has done everything that we've ever asked of him. He's been great as a fire team member and a great troop. It's been amazing being their supervisor."

All 820th Base Defense Group defenders are trained to rapidly deploy at all times and maintain combat and specialty training standards, but are always willing to help a community partner in need.



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Colin Bracken, 822d Base Defense Squadron security forces fire team member, poses for a photo, March 31, 2021, at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman Rachel Perkinson) ▲

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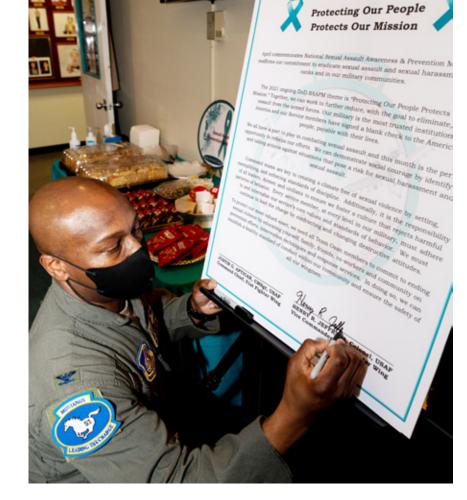
"We all have a part to play in combating sexual assault and this month is the perfect opportunity to refocus our efforts. We can demonstrate social courage by identifying and taking actions against situations that pose a risk for sexual harassment and sexual assault.

"Command teams are key to creating a climate free of sexual violence by setting, exemplifying, and enforcing standards of discipline. Additionally, it is the responsibility of all leaders, Airmen and civilians to ensure we foster a culture that rejects harmful patterns of behavior. Every service member, at every level in our military, must adhere to and internalize our service's core values and standards of behavior. We

must continue to lead the charge by confronting and changing destructive attitudes.

"To protect our most valued asset, we need all Team Osan members to commit to ending sexual violence by educating yourself, family, friends, co-workers and community on prevention efforts, intervention techniques and response services. In doing so, we can establish a healthy standard of conduct within our community and ensure the safety of all our wingmen."

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual assault, please call the Osan SAPR 24-hour hotline at DSN: 784-7272 or Comm: 031-661-7272. Their office is located in building 937 room 114 - or victims can call the Department of Defense Safe Hotline at 877-995-5247.



U.S. Air Force Col. Henry Jeffress, 51st Fighter Wing vice commander, signs a Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month proclamation at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 1, 2021. The Department of Defense formally created the SAPR program in 2005. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Branden Rae) ▶

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement is being advertised on behalf of the 411th Contracting Support Brigade, RCO OSAN. The 51st Medical Group Military Treatment Facility at Osan Air Base, Korea is seeking applications for one (1) Base Operational Medicine Clinic (BOMC) Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) to perform personal services in accordance with Defense Federal Acquisition Regulations Supplement subpart 237.104.

QUALIFICATION AND EXPERIENCE

Government Registration: The Prime Contractor shall have current and valid Government Registration issued by System Award Management web Education: Certificate Master Degree of Science in Nursing minimum requirement. Submit a copy of official Transcript Certification: Contractor must have and maintain throughout course of the contract a current, active, valid, unrestricted license (with no limitations, stipulations or pending adverse actions) to practice as a Family Nurse Practitioner. License must be recognized and accepted by the State of practice in accordance with governing regulation. Submit a copy of official Transcript

Certification: Contractor must maintain current certification in either the American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) (Course C) or the American Red Cross CPR/BLS Course. Submit a copy of official Transcript

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS

Please email a complete CVs with all relevant documents to the Contracting Officer Anthony.s.mosley.civ@mail.mil and Contract Specialist lorly. zamorano.civ@mail.mil. Please mention position title in the subject line of your email.

Applications will be accepted from 16 Apr 2021 - 30 Apr 2021

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pring in Korea hits earliest down south, making **○** *Jeollanam-do the perfect travel destination for* seeing beautiful spring blossoms. From sansuyu (cornus fruit) covering Jirisan Mountain in yellow to the pure white of maehwa (plum blossom) and pink-tinted tunnels of cherry blossom trees, flowers fill the land. While in the area, be sure to plan for a stop at Ssangsanje, the filming location for the popular show "Youn's Stay."



SPRING BEAUTIES IN Veollanam-do



◄ Gurye Sansuyu Village

One of the earliest places to bloom in spring is *Gurye Sansuyu Village.* Home to over 70% of all sansuyu trees in the nation, the whole village is painted in yellow by the time March rolls around. The village can largely be divided into the upper village, lower village, and Bangok Village. From the upper village, you can see the whole panorama of the area. In the lower village, walk through the blooming trees along the Scenery Trail by Byeorakbawi Rock and Gaksigyegok Valley. The Sansuyu Love Park at the entrance to the village is a great place for photos, with sansuyu-themed sculptures and photo zones.

• Address: Area of Wian-ri, Gurye-gun, Jeollanam-do

▼ Gwangyang Maehwa Village

Gwangyang Maehwa Village gets its name from the large colony of maehwa trees growing in the area of Daap-myeon in Gwangyang. The beautiful white blossoms coat the landscape of the village each spring, and also provide the resources for Cheongmaesil Farm, the largest plum plantation in Korea.

At Cheongmaesil Farm, you can find a variety of plum products, including jellies, side dishes, and even pillows! During the annual Gwangyang Maehwa Festival, the farm also offers many hands-on programs like making foods with plums, and using plums for natural dyeing. The nearly 2,000 traditional onggi pots are also a showstopper.

When visiting Gwangyang Maehwa Village, be sure to try the maehwa ice cream, available at shops throughout the village. Despite looking just like regular milk ice cream, the maehwa ice cream has the sweet and smooth taste of green plums. Just one bite and you'll feel as if you're eating maehwa blossoms!

• Address: Area of 1563-1, Seomjingangmaehwa-ro, Gwangyang-si,



▲ Bangok Village Sansuyu Habitat

Bangok Village, located at the entrance to Gurye Sansuyu Village, is home to a large habitat of sansuyu trees. This habitat in particular is a popular springtime destination for the beautiful scenery created by the yellow blossoms growing beside a stream flowing over large flat rocks.

There are a few courses through the village, but the best one is by far Course 1, Flower Road. As the name suggests, this course passes plenty of flowers, as well as main attractions in the village, such as Sansuyu Love Park, Sansuyu Culture Hall, and Jirisan Nadeuri Market. The full course is roughly 3.6 kilometers long, and takes about one hour and 10 minutes to walk.

• Address: Area of Daepyeong-ri, Gurye-gun, Jeollanam-do

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Members of the Osan Air Base community participate in a variety of activities during the Day of Fun event on OAB, Republic of Korea, April 9, 2021. April is recognized as the Month of the Military Child and the event was put on by the Department of Defense who recognizes military children and highlights the important role they play in the armed forces community. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Douglas Lorance) ▲







Children at the Day of Fun event for the Month of the Military Child wait in line for snow cones at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 9, 2021. The event was the first event to be held during the month that celebrates the military child. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Douglas



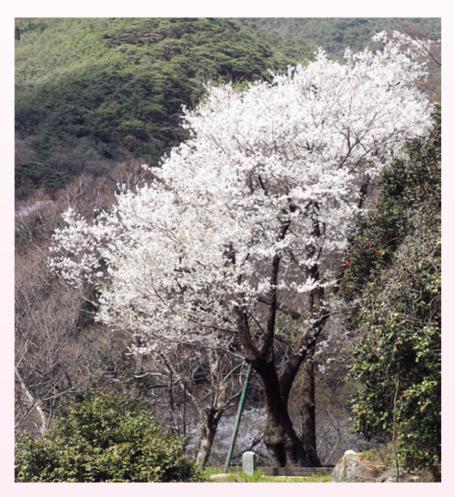
An attendee of the Day of Fun event for the Month of the Military Child plays kickball at Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea, April 9, 2021. During the event, a variety of snacks and activities were available for military children to enjoy. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Douglas Lorance)(U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jordan Garner) ▲

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Hwaeomsa Temple's red maehwa

While most maehwa blossoms are white, the red maehwa tree at *Hwaeomsa Temple* in Gurye blooms bright pink every spring! In addition to the brighter color, the blossoms also have a stronger scent. The aromatic pink flowers are in harmony with the wooden Gakwangjeon Hall, and the tree is special enough to have been designated as Natural Monument No. 485.

• Address: 539, Hwaeomsa-ro, Gurye-gun, Jeollanam-do



▼ Ssangsanje

While enjoying the spring blossoms in Jeollanam-do, stop by *Ssangsanje* for a break. *Ssangsanje* is a collection of traditional houses that were recently used for the Korean reality program "Youn's Stay," where foreigners new to living in Korea could stay to experience Korean culture.

Built during the Late Joseon Era, the buildings wonderfully preserve the atmosphere of scholarly studies before a garden, the layout typically found in traditional Korean houses. Spread over a large 16,500m² plot of land, the complex has 15 buildings of various sizes, and over 100 species of plants in the gardens. Currently, the accommodations are unavailable, but you can still experience the beauty of the buildings and spring with a warm cup of tea.

• Address: 3-2, Jangsu-gil, Gurye-gun, Jeollanam-do





◄ Hwaeomsa Temple's Higan cherry tree

While the red maehwa at *Hwaeomsa Temple* tends to get most of the attention, the temple is also home to a beautiful Higan cherry tree, registered as Natural Monument No. 38. Higan cherry trees tend to bloom earlier than other cherry blossom tree varieties. The tree is quite large, having grown for many years. To see this grand tree in full bloom, visit in April!



▲ Seomjingang Cherry Blossom Trail

The Seomjingang Cherry Blossom Trail stretches nearly 40 kilometers and is lined with cherry blossoms the entire way. The road can be enjoyed by car, bicycle, or even on foot. The road can also be combined with Seomjingang Daesup Road and Healing Ecology Course for a full trip. To see the road in full bloom, it's best to plan a visit in late March or early April.

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