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## Marines, airmen continue testing, learning each other's mettle

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**ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam** — Air Force, Marine and Navy units from around the Pacific theater continued to conduct integrated joint training scenarios as exercise Valiant Shield 2010 progressed to its third day here Sept. 14.

All Valiant Shield training scenarios have been designed to enhance joint-operations proficiency between all participating services and improve upon their ability to effectively respond to any threat that could arise.

Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 225, currently stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, participated in the scenario.

Lt. Col. Daniel Goodwin, VMFA(AW)-225 commanding officer, said the scenario was more dynamic than others his squadron usually participates in and provided good training for all involved.

"Every time you exercise a capability, especially when you get with people you haven't worked with before, it just expands your horizons on how to do things," said Goodwin.



ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam — Cpl. Michael Krenz, a Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 225 aviation ordnance technician, adjusts the wings of an Air-to-Ground 88 High-speed Anti-Radiation Missile at the flight line here during exercise Valiant Shield 2010, Sept. 16. The F/A-18 to which the AGM-88 HARM is attached to is slated to participate in a Valiant Shield scenario designed to improve joint operation proficiency between all military services involved.

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## JMSDF rocks open house

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A record setting 5,100 Iwakuni community members flocked to the 37th annual Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Iwakuni base festival here Sunday.

The JMSDF Iwakuni festival commemorated the 50th anniversary of the U.S.-Japan Security treaty and celebrated the 37th anniversary of the force's command on the station with a host of entertainment for attendees.

The main purpose of this event is

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## Hot wheels: 171, 172 complete P-19 fire truck course

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Air Force Staff Sgt. Adam Walker, fire truck maintenance instructor, shows the undercarriage of a P-19 fire truck to a group of Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 motor transportation Marines during a maintenance course here Sept. 14.

Marines with Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 motor transportation maintenance completed the P-19 fire truck maintenance course here Sept. 16.

The P-19 course is an inter-service training course with the Air Force. Normally, Marines deployed overseas are sent back to the U.S. to take the course, but on this rare occasion MWSS-171 worked in conjunction with MWSS-172 from Okinawa, Japan, to have an instructor flown from the U.S. to teach the course here.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Adam Walker, fire truck maintenance

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# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## 'Family Separation'

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One of the great difficulties most military families have to endure is family separation. That is when the military spouse deploys or when circumstances dictate that the family has to be apart for more than a few days.

Most normal non-military families have some short separations in their experience, but these are usually less than two weeks long, and most non-military families have very few separations.

In the military, especially since Sept. 11, we have had to bear the burden of repeated, extensive and often traumatic separations from those we love in order to serve the country we love, too.

It isn't easy.

There are many kinds of family separation in the military.

Temporary additional duty can be a separating factor, and so can "geo-batching," a term we use to describe when a married military member has to live for months or even sometimes years without the spouse because of work, education or other family commitments.

In other cases, and this happens often here at Iwakuni, the non-military spouse wants to visit friends or relatives back at home, and the military spouse remains here to work.

These separations can last from a few weeks to several months as family members travel to visit

loved ones around the states.

What are some ways to keep the family close while physically separated? Well, technology really helps here.

For just a few dollars you can buy a webcam and microphone for your computer, or for a few hundred to a couple of thousand, you can buy a computer with these already installed and functional.

There are several free services that help you connect with loved ones for a video chat.

When we are separated, our family tries to communicate this way every day.

It is not always possible, but it is really nice to see your spouse and children as well as hear them when you are talking to them.

E-mail, phone calls, texting and social media programs all help us keep in touch.

Beyond all that, there's the good old-fashioned letter.

In the last couple of days, I have received two letters from my little girls.

There is something really heart-warming about opening up an envelope somebody addressed with a pen or pencil and read a letter they wrote with their own hand.

Of course, inside a letter you are much more likely to get some nice kiddie-artwork.

The key is to stay in touch.

Keep the lines of communication open whenever possible.

Remain involved in each others' lives and remember when we serve, we all share the sacrifices; the service member, the spouse and the children.

I ask God's richest blessings on those who serve here and around the world.

Keep your families strong. You are the best.

## Japanese National Census to affect SOFA personnel

The Japanese National Census began Thursday and will continue until Oct. 7. Status of Forces Agreement personnel living out in town should not be included in the census. SOFA personnel residing outside the military installation may have an enumerator, census taker, visit their residences. SOFA members should show the enumerator their military or civilian identification card so as not to be counted in the census.

### "Course" corrections

Courtney Beall, not Courtney Veall, was the Lady Samurai pictured on page 10 in the Sept. 17 edition of the Iwakuni Approach. Also, Friday's games, not Saturday's, marked the home season opener.

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## JMSDF open house draws record crowd

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to give the locals and station members knowledge of JMSDF units and strengthen exchange and support within the community.

The festival brought local dignitaries, including government officials, distinguished military officials, prefecture assembly members, and Iwakuni's Mayor and city council members.

Attractions during the celebration included flybys, a drill performance, a kunisaki ship tour, flight simulator and 12 static aircraft displays.

The static displays seem to be an all-around favorite for the crowd visiting the open house.

"I brought my two kids here to look at the planes," said Danielle Archambault. "The static display is our favorite."

JMSDF pilots showed the specific capabilities unique to each aircraft flown in the demonstrations.

Some lucky visitors won 20-minute rides in either a US-2 or MH-53E aircraft.



The Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force drill team performs at the JMSDF Iwakuni base festival here Sunday. The JMSDF drill team is composed of cadets in flight training. Other performances included Taiko drums, White Snake Power Rangers and the Japanese band Salbia.

There were also a variety of different food vendors available and entertaining stage performances.

The stage performances included Taiko drums, drill, White Snake Power Rangers,

and the Japanese band Salbia. "One of the members of our group comes from a Japanese military family so her mother told us about this event," said Sarai Mayuko Kajioka, member of Salbia.

## Marines get hands-on with P-19 course

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instructor, was sent from the U.S. to take the Marines through the 13 day evolution starting Sept. 3.

"The students are very receptive to the information they've been given. They have the right mindset for learning and overall positive attitudes," said Walker.

The course consists of "show-and-tell" training, written examinations and hands-on practical application exercises with a P-19 fire truck.

"I've been wanting to go to P-19 school since May, so when I found out it was coming to Iwakuni, I thought it was pretty cool," said Lance Cpl. Marcus Ojeda, Motor Transportation mechanic.

The course was an advanced fire truck maintenance course, where instead of reiterating the basic operations of a P-19, the instructor focused on the theories, operations and fundamentals of the truck.

"We go beyond teaching them what each wire does, and we go and teach them electrical, hydraulic and air fundamentals, so they can apply this training to all of their trucks," said Walker.

The course is not only important in making the Motor Transportation Marines more proficient in their jobs, it's also important training for mechanics stationed overseas.

"Fire trucks are pinnacle to any base's operation, especially on a flight line. A flight line will shut down if they don't have enough

fire trucks," said Walker. "This training is important because motor transport Marines will take these trucks to the Philippines, Korea, etc., and have to keep them ready to respond."

With the extended shipping time between the U.S. and overseas locations, it is important for the Marines to understand more in depth how to diagnose vehicle malfunctions without immediately resorting to ordering parts.

In the states, Motor Transportation Marines have to wait approximately two or three days for part shipments to arrive. In Iwakuni, the Marines typically have to wait anywhere from two to three weeks, which slows workflow.

"Training out here is much more important because once people are trained on a vehicle they are not as prone to throw parts on a system, and when you do that overseas it takes a lot of time," said Walker.

Overall, most of the Marines described the class as hands-on and easily retainable.

"I actually learned a lot, to be honest, about the P-19 from air systems, water systems to the transmission and engine. It's all, of course, part of being a mechanic," said Ojeda.

The motor transportation Marines go through additional training typically once every three to four months. As for MWSS-171 and 172, there will be more training to come.

## Valiant Shield trains to improve joint operations

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Participating units were divided into red and blue teams during the scenario in which red fighters acted out the aggressors.

The VMFA(AW)-225 Vikings were placed on the blue team.

The scenario required blue team members to locate and pacify an aggressor ship in the Pacific while fending off aggressor red fighter jets.

F/A-18 Hornets, B-52 Stratofortress, KC-130 Hercules, F-15 Eagles, a P-3 Orion, and an E-3 airborne warning and control aircraft were used during the scenario.

The Vikings were required to work closely with Air Force fighter aircraft during the scenario to accomplish their mission.

Goodwin said a challenge which presented itself was both Marine and Air Force pilots were required to change the way they usually operate due to how the scenario played out.

Once all challenges were identified, he added, they were able to get everyone on the same page to accomplish a successful mission.

In working side-by-side with the Air Force fighters, Marine pilots were able to see what Air Force pilots were capable of.

"The Air Force fighter guys are phenomenal," said Goodwin. "They are constant professionals and did a fantastic job."

Air Force Capt. Andrew Carlson, a 67th fighter squadron pilot out of Kadena Air Base, Japan, participated in the scenario as a red enemy fighter.

"Any time that you work with a different service, there is obviously issues that you need to work out," said Carlson. "Where you solve that is by having these type of large-force exercises where we work together and become more familiar with each other's tactics, abilities, and what their aircraft and pilots bring to the fight."

Carlson's thoughts on the Marine Corps fighter pilots echoed what Goodwin thought of the Air Force fighters.

"The Marine Corps (pilots) did a fantastic job (during the scenario)," said Carlson. "They did very well."

Exercise Valiant Shield was scheduled to run until Sept. 21.

# Aerial units sink boat during live-fire training

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**ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam** — Air Force, Marine and Navy units from around the Pacific theater continued exercise Valiant Shield 2010 with a live-fire training sink exercise here Monday.

Units involved in the training were able to gain experience in tactics, targeting and live-firing, which is difficult to gain through simulation training.

Marine All Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 225, or the Vikings, out of Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif., are the main squadron from the Marine Corps side that flew out in support of the live-fire training.

The Vikings are slated to land in Iwakuni as part of the Unit Deployment Program after the conclusion of Valiant Shield.

The live-fire training required the supporting units to take turns firing at the former USS Acadia at different times of the day in an attempt to sink it into the ocean.

"The only way that you are going to, one, understand the actual effects of the weapon and two, find out how reliable those weapons are, is to use live weapons," said Air Force Col. Alan Kollien, 613th Air and Space Operations Center vice commander.

Another benefit is pilots can learn new ways to employ those weapons effects by training with live weapons, Kollien added.

The participating units used a variety of gunfire, bombs and torpedoes during the training.

While many of the units were successful in hitting their target and sank the ship by the end of the day, some units ran into problems.

Although the Vikings flew out in support of the exercise, they were unable to fire their missiles.

When the VMFA(AW)-225 pilots approached their target, a fishing boat in the area forced them to abort their portion of the exercise.

"We were ready to go. It would have worked. It just wasn't our day," said Marine Capt. Dustin Cook, a VMFA(AW)-225 pilot. "You can't replicate (the experience gained) unless you're able to do the live shoot and train with the real thing."

The missiles carried by the VMFA(AW)-225 F/A-18s were properly unloaded and stored upon their return.

Navy Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 25 also participated in the sink exercise and was ready for the hands-on training.

"You can read a lot about a system and you can kind of practice with it, but actually going out there and using the system as it was intended to be employed is where you learn a lot," said Navy Lt. Patrick Salvitti, an HSC-25 pilot. "It's one of the few times you get real-world tactical training."

Many of the pilots and gunners involved in the exercise were firing the live ammunition at a target for the first time and found the training invaluable.

Salvitti said it was his and his gunner's first time working with the system they used during the sink exercise.

"The biggest thing is getting familiar with a new system," said Salvitti. "It's something that just takes experience."

Extensive environmental compliance was observed during the whole of the training.

Area surveys were conducted prior to the sink exercise to ensure human and marine mammal life were not in the area to be harmed.

Before being sunk, the former USS Acadia made numerous Western Pacific and Far East deployments and earned multiple awards before being decommissioned in 1994.



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The former USS Acadia lays on its side in the Pacific Ocean after being fired upon by multiple Air Force, Marine and Navy units during a live-fire exercise which was part of exercise Valiant Shield 2010 Monday. Before being sunk, the former USS Acadia made numerous Western Pacific and Far East deployments and earned multiple awards before being decommissioned in 1994.



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**ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam** — Petty Officer 3rd class Thomas Owens, a Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 25 attack weapon system missile technician, fires an M2 .50-caliber machine gun during a live-fire sink exercise as part of exercise Valiant Shield 2010, Monday. The training required supporting units to alternate firing at the former USS Acadia at different times throughout the day in an attempt to sink it.



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**ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam** — Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron 25 pilots stand by at the flight line here as HSC-25 ordnance sailors load ammunition aboard the MH-60 Knighthawk for a live-fire sink exercise as part of exercise Valiant Shield 2010, Monday.

# GEMD: Maintaining ATC's line of sight



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Lance Cpl. Brandon L. Fernandez, a Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron Ground Electronics Maintenance Division communications technician, troubleshoots an enhance terminal voice switch card, which keys radios that air traffic controllers use to communicate with pilots. GEMD is responsible for all facets of maintenance, repair and control of airfield navigational aids, communications and other support equipment.

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Often referred to as the "nerd circle," the Ground Electronics Maintenance Division supports air traffic controllers by keeping their equipment up and running to make sure aircraft can land safely.

With only a handful of Marines, GEMD is responsible for all facets of maintenance, repair and control of airfield navigational aids, communications, Land Mobile Radio and other ancillary electronic equipment.

Navigational aid technicians, air traffic control radar technicians and air traffic control communications technicians maintain the two air traffic control radars, one supplemental weather radar, a tactical air navigation system and all of the communication equipment aboard the station.

With only three radar technicians in all of GEMD and three shifts per day, the Marines work a demanding, continuous schedule to ensure radar and communication support.

During the day, radar technicians are on stand-by in case any equipment goes down.

At night, the Marines take care of all of the preventative maintenance to keep the gear up and running.

"There has to be a Marine here at all times," said Cpl. Travis Hildebrandt, an air traffic control radar technician. "If any of the gear has an issue, someone has to take care of it immediately. If the radars aren't working, planes aren't flying and that's a problem."

Without the maintenance GEMD performs, air traffic controllers wouldn't be able to do their job.

"They use our radar to see air space and land air craft," said Staff Sgt. Corey J. Cooper, GEMD maintenance chief. "There's

the GPN30, which is the airport surveillance radar; the PFN63, a precision approach radar that is used for (interment flight rules) conditions; and the FPS131, which is just a supplemental weather radar just like you see on TV that sees clouds and precipitation."

The radar equipment is only one side of GEMD though.

"Our radar could be 100 percent, but if the radios don't work the air traffic controller can't speak to the pilots," said Cooper.

With such a small shop and such an active air field, Marines at GEMD agree that their job can be very demanding.

"There's a little more pressure here because we're always operating like on a deployment," said Cooper.

"So if something goes down, we have to go all out to get the problem fixed fast."

"If we get a problem with the radar it is usually pretty complicated," added Hildebrandt. "Nothing about figuring out the problem is usually

easy. It always ends up being hard. Just our job in general is pretty difficult."

Their job may be stressful and complicated, but the Marines at GEMD perform to the best of their abilities at all times.

"The proof is in the pudding," said Cooper. "Aircraft are still flying. The Marines work very hard to make sure everything is running."

Cooper also added that their sole purpose is to support air traffic controllers and by doing so they are helping them complete their mission, which more importantly keeps aircraft in the air.



LANCE CPL. MIRANDA BLACKBURN

Lance Cpl. Brandon L. Fernandez, a Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron Ground Electronics Maintenance Division communications technician, repairs a radio used by air traffic controllers to communicate with pilots.

# Integrated Fires: Recon Marines and Hornets set sights on kill

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**ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE BASE TINDAL, Australia** — Marines of 5th Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, and 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Division conducted joint operations to provide Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 with joint terminal attack controller (JTAC) ground support during exercise Southern Frontier at the Delamere Air Weapons Range in Australia Sept. 13 and 14.

Southern Frontier is an annual, bi-lateral training exercise hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force to allow VMFA(AW)-224 the opportunity to focus on offensive air support training in order to improve squadron readiness and build relations with allied forces.

For the duration of the exercise, 5th ANGLICO and 3rd Recon Marines held the responsibility to gain and maintain control of two main elements: the VMFA(AW)-224 pilots who provided close-air support from above and the infantry Marines who provided fire from the ground.

"Our training mainly consisted of calling for fire," said Cpl. Jonathan Jones, field radio operator with 3rd Recon. "We also train with the mortars and bring the birds in. Radio operators have full control of the birds when we work with them."

VMFA(AW)-224 Hornets and infantry mortar men took turns coordinating fire with 81mm practice mortars with JTAC.

From approximately 400 meters away, JTAC Marines observed the landing of the mortars and their accuracy.

"We watched and saw where rounds made impact so that we could make adjustments if we needed to," said Jones. "Then we call in the coordinates."

According to Capt. Brad Leeman, F/A-18 Hornet pilot with VMFA(AW)-224, it takes a lot of coordination with ground support units to ensure all units get the proper training they need to complete the mission.

"We need those integration elements," said Leeman. "The more players, the more we can integrate."

JTAC Marines also trained to maintain communications with the infantry unit and birds in the air to keep the safety of all personnel sustained.

"Pilots and ground forces bring us into this type of training to provide surveillance," said Jones. "We told air elements that we have guns flying so they would not fly into the area or interfere."

The training ultimately became a collaboration of control.

"The goal on Monday was to maintain control for the pilots," said Leeman. "Once we completed our mission, we passed on control to (JTAC) so they can control the aircraft as well."

Marines with VMFA(AW)-224 and supporting squadrons were provided with the quality venue of the Delamere Air Weapons Range, south of Katherine, to develop multilateral interoperability and coalition procedures in air power missions.

"It is not very often we get to do this type of training," said Leeman. "The range is a large size and allows for high explosives, which is hard to find in the Pacific region."

According to Jones, both units find the outback to be beneficial to all units conducting operations here in Australia's wide-open Northern Territory.

"We can really only do this type of training in Australia," said Jones. "Out here, they have a lot of open space to fire ordnance."

According to Leeman, the last week of exercise helped to improve squadron readiness as the mission stated.

"The exercise went pretty well from air perspective," said Leeman. "We had a lot of good training out here."

After three solid weeks of coordination with participating allies and partners, VMFA(AW)-224 knows what to do if the time comes.



DELAMERE AIR WEAPONS RANGE, Australia — An 81mm mortar explodes on the deck here during exercise Southern Frontier Sept. 14. The training allowed Marines with VMFA(AW)-224 and supporting squadrons to improve their multilateral interoperability and procedures during missions requiring air power.



LANCE CPL. JENNIFER PIRANTE



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DELAMERE AIR WEAPONS RANGE, Australia — Cpl. Jerod Townsend, fire support man with 5th Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, observes a 400-meter target through binoculars during exercise Southern Frontier here Sept. 13. The Marines of 5th ANGLICO supported Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 by serving as joint terminal attack controllers on the ground.



LANCE CPL. JENNIFER PIRANTE

DELAMERE AIR WEAPONS RANGE, Australia — Cpl. John Johnson, mortarman with 1st Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, waits for the command to fire an 81mm mortar during exercise Southern Frontier here Sept. 14. Exercise Southern Frontier allowed the Marines to train to provide indirect fire in support of Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 and assisting units. (LEFT) Cpl. Jonathan Jones, field radio operator with 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, calls in coordinates of a target to the pilots during exercise Southern Frontier here, Sept. 13. The 3rd Recon Battalion coordinated with the 5th Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company to provide ground support to Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 during the exercise.

# CORPS NEWS

## HIGHLIGHTING MARINES AND SAILORS AROUND THE GLOBE

### Historic landing reunites past with present

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31ST MEU

**INCHEON, Republic of Korea (Sept. 15, 2010)** — Family, friends and service members from around the world gathered in one place today to honor the alliance of the Republic of Korea, Australia, and the United States, and to remember those who gave everything defending freedom.

Exactly 60 years ago today, U.S. and allied forces fought side-by-side to regain control of South Korea from the North and in doing so shifted the tide of war and changed history forever.

Marines and sailors with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit and the USS Denver (LPD 9) as well as allied Marines, sailors and airmen with the Republic of Korea were brought together for a reenactment of the 60th anniversary of the historical landing at Incheon, Sept. 15.

"It's an honor and a privilege to be able to be a part of something like this and to see how much effort the Korean forces have put into this. It means as much to them as it does to us," said Capt. Mike Borneo, company commander, Animal Company, Battalion Landing Team 1st Battalion 7th Marines, 31st MEU.

Borneo, who played the role of Gen. Douglas MacArthur for the reenactment said, "The landing at Incheon was huge. It set the

ground work for everything the U.S. and the Republic of Korea have been able to accomplish over the past 60 years."

"We are here to remember the veterans that died all those years ago, but also to celebrate the strong alliance we share with the Republic of Korea today," said Lance Cpl. Milton Zavala, machine gunner with weapons platoon, Animal Co., BLT 1/7, 31st MEU. "This is my first time working with the Korean Marines and I'm very excited."

The day began as about 4,000 spectators, including allied service members, veterans, family, friends, media, and civilians, all gazed upon the 21 vessels that lined the horizon.

The ceremony unfolded as allied forces began to recreate the landing at Incheon, first with demonstrations by helicopter and fixed wing aircraft overhead.

Naval guns simulated firing as pyrotechnics detonated by the water's edge, preparing the beach for assault and Landing Craft, Air Cushioned raced by the spectators.

Minutes later allied Amphibious Assault Vehicles made their way toward the beach in three groups, releasing smoke screens and firing explosives. The U.S. and ROK Marines then rushed toward the landing area like a storm.

The shouts and cries of the fierce Marines, both Korean and



1ST LT. CALEB EAMES

**INCHEON, Republic of Korea** — Republic of Korea and U.S. Marine Amphibious Assault Vehicles approach the landing area during a reenactment of the Incheon Landing Sept. 15. Moments later U.S. and ROK Marines rushed the landing area.

American, were then drowned by the roar of applause from the excited audience.

The Marines paused once they covered the beach, all waiting to strike from the prone firing position.

The crowd began to calm and then a whistle blew, signaling the Marines into formation. Within a matter of seconds the troops stood and formed, with the ROK Marines to the left and the U.S. Marines on the right.

To end the ceremony, Borneo, playing MacArthur, marched with six other officers all dressed in period costume to the front of the formations. Borneo stood at attention and shouted "Report!"

A U.S. Marine officer stepped forward, saluted and shouted, "Sir! Objective secured!" As he returned his salute and stepped back a ROK Marine officer stepped forward and shouted, "Sir! Objective secured!" At that moment both formations of

Marines raised their weapons and gave a loud, victorious cry.

Richard Rubie, a U.S. Marine veteran of the war and a private first class at the time, looked back on the landing with pride. "We were professionals, but we were scared," said Rubie. "The fighting was tough — I remember a bullet bouncing off of my helmet while I was still in the landing craft."

This event was one of the last Incheon remembrances that many survivors of the landing will be able to attend due to their age.

Hyungeon Kim, a Korean veteran of the war, enlisted Aug. 31, 1950. As a sniper in the ROK Marine Corps, Kim said he remembers the landing well.

"I am very proud to be here and to have served with the American Marines on this beach," said Kim. "We stand together here today at Incheon just as we did 60 years ago."



LANCE CPL. TYLER C. VERNAZA

**INCHEON, Republic of Korea** — A Republic of Korea helicopter passes near the USS Denver (LPD 9) during the reenactment of the Incheon Landing Sept. 15. Service members from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked aboard the Denver participated in the event honoring veterans of the war.

# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Red Cross Upcoming Events

The Red Cross has several events scheduled for October:  
Prenatal brief: 9:45 a.m. Oct. 6 and 20.  
Baby Sitting Instructor Course: 5 – 9 p.m. Oct. 15.  
Baby Sitting Course: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Oct. 16.  
Adult, infant and child first aid and CPR: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Oct. 23.

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■Sexual Assault: To make a confidential report of sexual assault or harassment, contact the victim advocate at 253-4526 during working hours. For after hours, weekends and holidays, call 090-9978-1033 or 080-3427-0835. You can also call the installation SARC at 253-6556 or 080-5865-3566.

### OSC Aloha Party

The Officers and Spouses Club is hosting an Aloha party beginning 5 p.m. at the Officers Club Oct. 1. All officers, spouses of all officers, officer equivalent civilians (GS-7/NAF-4 and above), and DOD employees (unmarried or married to an officer or officer equivalent) are invited to attend. Hawaiian food will be served.

### Japanese Language Course 2010

The Yamaguchi International Exchange Association is sponsoring a Japanese language course for non-Japanese every Tuesday at the Iwakuni Shimin Kaikan (Civic Hall) Training Room 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. from Tuesday – Dec. 21. Sign up in advance at the Public Affairs Office or call 253-5551 for more information. Attendance is required the first day of your class.

### Lending Locker Program

The lending locker program provides small home appliances and utensils for incoming and outgoing command sponsored members for up to 60 days inbound and 30 days outbound. A copy of PCS orders are required to check-out items and the program is

by appointment only. The lending locker is located in Building 411 Room 101. Appointments are 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. For more information, call 253-6161.

### Semper Fit Boot Camp Challenge

Semper Fit is scheduled to host a boot camp challenge beginning Oct. 4 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday 5:30 - 6:30 a.m. The course costs \$270. Pre-registration begins Monday and ends Oct. 2 at 9 a.m. For more information, call 253-2798.

### 54th Iwakuni Civic Culture Festival

Celebrate the 54th Iwakuni Civic Culture Festival at the Iwakuni Civic Hall 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Friday — Sunday. There will be a Japanese flower arrangement display and a tea ceremony conducted by several Japanese schools in the Iwakuni area. Admission is free, but

the tea ceremony is 500 yen per person. For more information, contact the Iwakuni City lifelong learning section at 0827-29-5211.

### Brief Submissions

To submit a community brief, send an e-mail to iwakuni.pao@usmc.mil. Include a contact name, a phone number and the information you would like published. You may submit your brief or classified ad in person at the Public Affairs Office, Building 1, Room 216. The deadline for submissions is 3 p.m. every Friday. Submissions will run the following Friday on a space-available basis. The Iwakuni Approach staff reserves the right to edit submissions for space and style.

## Chapel Services

### Roman Catholic

Saturday 4:30-5:15 p.m. Confession  
5:30 p.m. Mass  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass  
9:45 a.m. Religious Education  
Tues. – Fri. 11:30 a.m. Weekday Mass  
Wednesday 6 p.m. Inquiry Class for adults

### Protestant

Saturday 9:30 a.m. Seventh-Day Adventist Sabbath School  
11 a.m. Seventh-Day Adventist Divine Worship  
Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Adult Bible Fellowship  
10:30 a.m. Protestant Service  
11 a.m. Children's Church  
Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana (Bldg. 1104)  
6:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study (Capodanno Hall Chapel)

### Church of Christ

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Bible Study (small chapel)  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

### Latter Day Saints

Weekdays 6:30 a.m. Youth 12-17 Activities

### Teen Programs

- High School Meetings (Club – grades 9-12)
- Junior High Meetings (Club JV – grades 7-8)
- HS&JR Bible Studies
- Retreats
- Service Projects
- Missions Trip
- Special Events Volunteer Training & Mentoring
- Parent Support Group

Call 080-4177-2060 or e-mail jletaw@ClubBeyond.org

For information regarding divine services, religious education or any other command religious program or chapel activity, call the Marine Memorial Chapel at 253-3371.

## Say hello to loved ones back home

A team from the Joint Hometown New Service, Defense Media Activity, San Antonio, Texas, will be aboard the air station to record Holiday Greetings 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Oct. 6 in front of Crossroads Mall and the coffee shop. The greetings will be 10-20 seconds in length and will be sent to other American Forces Network centers in Asia and Europe and the individual hometown media outlets. Anyone can have a video message recorded, and no appointments are necessary. The messages are free-of-charge and a good way to say "Happy Holidays" to loved ones back home. For more information, contact the Public Affairs Office at 253-5551.

# SAKURA THEATER

### Friday, September 24, 2010

7 p.m. Step Up 3 (PG-13)

### Premier

10 p.m. The Other Guys (PG-13)

### Saturday, September 25, 2010

1 p.m. The Sorcerer's Apprentice (PG)

4 p.m. The Other Guys (PG-13)

7 p.m. Inception (PG-13)

### Sunday, September 26, 2010

1 p.m. Cats and Dogs: Revenge of Kitty Galore (PG)

4 p.m. Step Up 3 (PG-13)

7 p.m. Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13)

### Monday, September 27, 2010

7 p.m. The Expendables (R)

### Tuesday, September 28, 2010

7 p.m. Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13)

### Wednesday, September 29, 2010

7 p.m. Inception (R)

Last Showing

### Thursday, September 30, 2010

7 p.m. Step Up 3 (PG-13)

The movie schedule is subject to change. Please check www.mccsiwakuni.com/sakura often for updates, or call the Sakura Theater at 253-5291 for the latest schedule.

General Admission: Ages 12+ are \$2.50/ Ages 6-11 are \$1/ Children ages 5 and under admitted free. For more information, visit www.mccsiwakuni.com or call 253-5291.

253-5291

# CLASSIFIEDS

## Automobiles

### 1997 Nissan Elgrande

123,000 km. JCI good until August 2012. Power everything, sunroof, seats six. Located in the Typhoon Motors resale lot. For more information, call 080-3572-0779 or e-mail rockhe01@msn.com. Asking \$3,500 OBO.

### 2000 Toyota BB

Automatic transmission, only 125,500 km, A/C works good, clean and comfortable interior. No cigarette smell. AM/FM stereo-sound radio. Nice silver gray body paint, driven within 10-mile radius only. JCI good until February 2011. For more information, call 080-3346-1290 (daytime cell) or 0827-28-5264 (evening home). Ask for Mike V. Santos.

## Mess Hall Menu

### Monday

Bean with bacon soup, shrimp gumbo soup, savory baked chicken, oven roast beef, oven brown potatoes, tossed green rice, succotash, green beans and mushrooms, brown gravy, dinner rolls, potato salad, cucumber and onion salad, standard salad bar, peanut butter brownies, double layer marble cake, butter cream frosting, banana cream pudding.  
Specialty Bar: Pasta

### Tuesday

Tomato soup, vegetable soup, turkey pot pie, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, tangy spinach, steamed cauliflower, buttered noodles, brown gravy, dinner rolls, country style tomato salad, coleslaw, standard salad bar, cherry pie, Boston cream pie, oatmeal raisin cookie.  
Specialty Bar: Taco

### Wednesday

French onion soup, cream of broccoli soup, Caribbean chicken breast, beef cordon bleu, O'Brien potatoes, chicken gravy, Creole green beans, savory summer squash, dinner rolls, cabbage, apple and celery, three bean salad, chocolate chip cookies, Dutch apple pie, butter cream frosting, devil's food cake.  
Specialty Bar: Barbeque

### Thursday

Manhattan clam chowder, split pea soup, cantonese spare ribs, turkey curry, steamed rice, macaroni and cheese, Southern style green beans, corn on the cob, dinner rolls, macaroni salad, mixed fruit salad, sugar cookies, German chocolate cake, whipped topping, banana cream pie.  
Specialty Bar: Deli Bar

### Friday

Chicken noodle soup, cream of mushroom soup, baked fish, yankee pot roast, home fried potatoes, steamed rice, calico corn, simmered white beans, vegetable gravy, dinner rolls, potato salad, country style tomato salad, coconut raisin drop cookies, double layer Florida lemon cake, butter cream frosting, chocolate cream pie.  
Specialty Bar: Hot Dog

## Jobs

### Travel Counselor

CWTSatoTravel has a travel counselor position available at the government travel office here. This position is responsible for booking air, car and hotel reservations for military travelers in official duty status using the SABRE CRS. Desirable for the candidates to have travel agency or airline experience, and SABRE CRs experience. Knowledge of government travel regulation is also preferred. Please send all inquiries and resumes to mkenat@cwtsatotravel.com. No phone inquiries please.

### Career Transition Trainer

Inverness Technologies is seeking a part-time career transition trainer. Will perform 1-2 seminars a month training military personnel to enter the civilian work force. Some overnight travel is required. Opportunity for military spouses or DOD personnel. Must know U.S. job market and have experience teaching job search technology. Experience in training is strongly desired. Training topics include skill assessment, career decision making, resumé preparation, interviewing, job search, etc. If interested, e-mail your resume to careers@invernesstechnologies.com.

### NMCRS Volunteer Opportunities

Be that friendly person who lets them know they've come to the right place. Client services assistants volunteers greet clients and guide them through the initial intake process. To apply, call 253-5311.

## Miscellaneous

### Bumblerride Stroller

Lightly used stroller suitable for infant to toddler age. Has an adjustable handle, footrest and adjustable seat that reclines in 4 positions. The handle is reversible, so the baby can face the parents or the world. It's compatible with different infant car seats. Car seat adaptor, rain cover and cup holder are included. Ideal for smaller cars, easy and compact fold, weighs only 19 pounds. \$180 OBO. For more information, call Lana at 253-2362.

### Rainbow Home Daycare

Rainbow Home Daycare has openings for children from ages 2-5. Hours are from 8 a.m. to noon. First aid and CPR certified. Fourteen years of experience working in child care centers. Degree in early childhood education. Specializes in teaching pre-school age children in a structured environment that prepares them for kindergarten. For more information, call 253-2246.

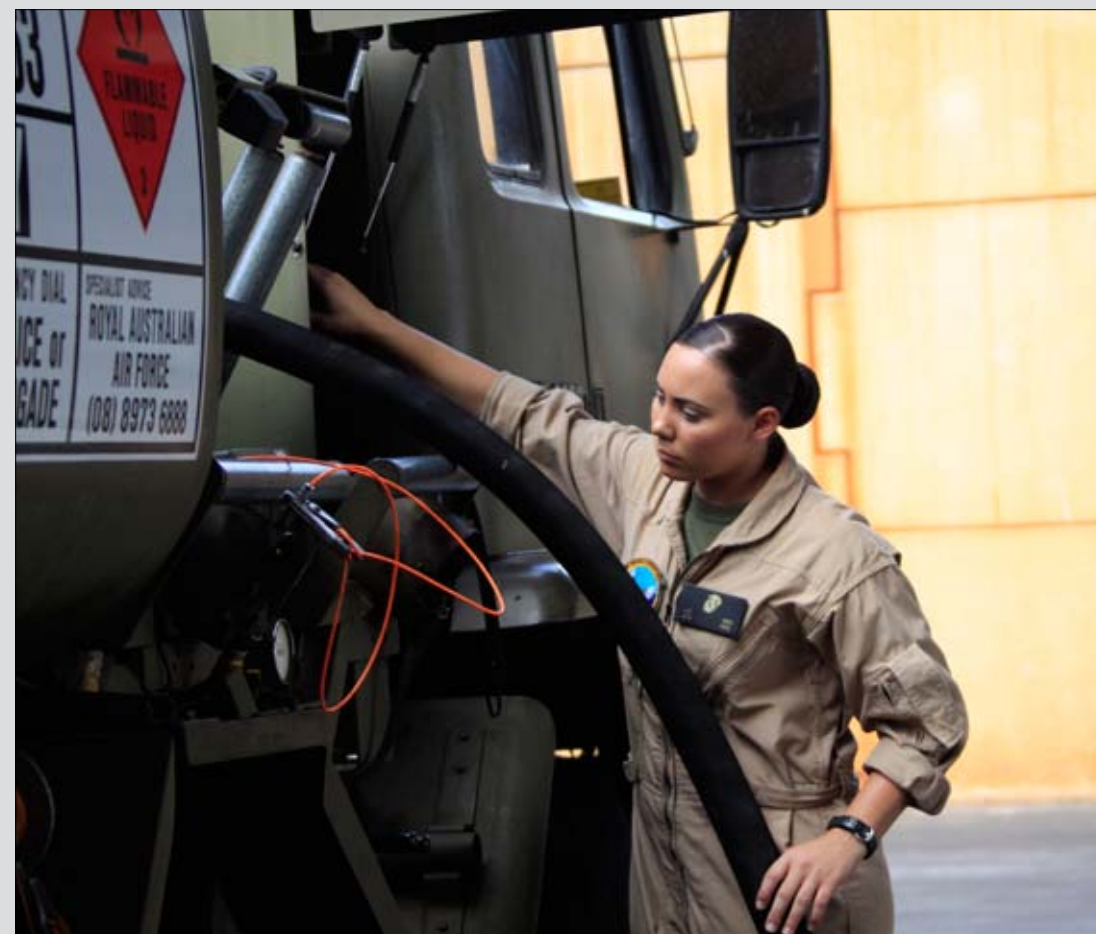
### Free Translator

Stay at home mom looking to help others in spare time. For more information, e-mail nakahashimikiko@msn.com.

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## MWSS-171 keeps jets pumped up during SF



ROYAL AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE BASE TINDAL, Australia — Lance Cpl. Lisa Aron, motor vehicle operator with Marine Wing Support Squadron 171, fuels an F/A-18 Hornet for Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 during exercise Southern Frontier here Sept. 15. MWSS-171 was sent on the exercise to provide support and services to the units during the exercise.

LANCE CPL. JENNIFER PIRANTE

# Youth intramural soccer season kicks off



PFC. VANESSA JIMENEZ

David Rasmussen, forward, kicks the ball toward the other team's goal during the team's first soccer game against the Chili Peppers at Penny Lake fields here Saturday. The Yellow Jackets took the game Sept. 18 winning against the Chili Peppers 5-0.

### PFC. VANESSA JIMENEZ IWAKUNI APPROACH STAFF

The youth soccer season kicked into gear Saturday with an opening ceremony at Penny Lake fields here.

Twenty-seven soccer teams and two cheerleading squads gathered at Penny Lake to begin the seven-week season scheduled to end Nov. 6.

After the ceremony, six teams played their first games.

"I teach the kids fun through teamwork," said Keon Beccles, coach for the 10- to 12-year-old Yellow Jackets. Beccles has been coaching for two years, but this is his first year coaching the 10- to 12-year-old age group.

There are currently 438 participants, including 86 Japanese participants. At the end of the season, an all-star team will be formed with the best players to play against a Japanese team.

The 3- to 4-year-old, 5- to 6-year-old, and 7- to 9-year-old age groups do not keep score, so they focus on the basic fundamentals of soccer and sportsmanship.

"I really enjoy coaching the kids," said Paul C. Eginton, coach for the 5- to 6-year-old Silver Backs. "Teaching and watching them learn something from me is really rewarding."

The 10- to 12-year-old age division is the first of the youth soccer divisions to play competitively, but the children enjoy playing as much as they enjoy scoring.

Beccles considers his coaching style basic, focusing on the fundamentals and formations.

"I start from the ground up," said Beccles. "I begin with teaching the kids passing techniques and move my way up to keeping the kids in the correct formations while they



PFC. VANESSA JIMENEZ

Kaelyn Francis, goalkeeper, stops a possible goal during this season's first soccer game against the 10- to 12-year-old Yellow Jackets at Penny Lake fields here Saturday.

play on the field."

Parents always have a good turnout at the games.

Parents are part of the team; they're there for encouragement, said Beccles. Soccer is not just on the field but it is off the field too, and the participation of the parents is important.

Parents and coaches work together to teach the kids good sportsmanship and proper soccer techniques.

When a player gets injured, all the players

go down on one knee and wait for a coach to check out the injury before resuming the game, said Beccles. It helps so the injured player can be quickly identified and given the proper medical attention.

Youth soccer is meant to be fun, but with all the practice and experience the children are gaining more than fun.

For more information on game times and schedules, contact the Youth Sports Coordinator at 253-5777.



# Fall Classic



## MAG-12 embarrasses H&HS 24-6 at Fall Classic

CPL. SALVADOR MORENO  
IWAKUNI APPROACH STAFF

Marine Aircraft Group 12 and Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron faced off in an annual flag football game known as the Fall Classic at Penny Lake here Sept. 17.

MAG-12 reclaimed the title after destroying H&HS 24-6. They lost it last year, falling to H&HS 26-20 after having broken H&HS's 10-year Fall Classic flag football game-winning streak the year prior.

Needless to say, they were ready and hungry for victory.

"We pretty much knew we were going to beat them pretty bad," said Steve Debruyne, quarterback for MAG-12. "We expected to win by 20."

The Fall Classic kicked off with retired Master Gunnery Sgt. Richard Redick singing the national anthem followed by the invocation given by Lt. Robert Mills, station chaplain.

H&HS started off on a good note, winning the coin toss and electing to take first possession; however, that may have been the only highlight of the game for them.

After H&HS quarterback Mikal "Crabby Patty" Patterson threw an interception, MAG-12 took the ball on the H&HS 35-yard line and never looked back.

MAG-12 effortlessly marched down the field and put six on the board, but unfortunately couldn't manage the extra point conversion to make it seven.

"Honestly, there was absolutely no difficulty whatsoever," said Debruyne.

H&HS got the ball after the touchdown and once again couldn't manage anything, giving the ball up to MAG-12.

MAG-12 took the ball and command of the game with a 50-yard drive that ended with Nathaniel Rozzelle, wide receiver for MAG-12, making a leaping catch for another six to



CPL. ANDREA M. OLGUIN

Benjamin Armijo, Marine Aircraft Group 12 defensive back, plucks and interception near the end zone to set up an easy six during the Fall Classic at Penny Lake here Sept. 17. MAG-12 dominated both sides of the ball only allowing one good offensive drive for Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron in a 24-6 routing. This year's Fall Classic marks the second time in 12 years MAG-12 has won the title.

make it 12-0.

"Nobody on this field can out-jump me," said Rozzelle.

After the touchdown, H&HS again received the ball and managed to drive 70 yards to MAG-12's front door and punched it in for 6 to make it 12-6.

Unfortunately, H&HS couldn't capitalize on the extra point conversion.

However, on MAG-12's next possession, H&HS did capitalize with an interception and just enough time to try to punch one in for the lead with 1:11 in the half.

H&HS managed to again knock on MAG-12's door; however, MAG-12's stellar defense stuffed H&HS's lunchbox with a serving of

interception to end the half 12-6.

"I wasn't worried. I know that it was going to be close, but defense stepped up and that won the game," said Rozzelle.

H&HS hopes of making a comeback ended with the half.

MAG-12 got first possession of the ball going into the third and was pretty much handed a touchdown on a silver platter after killing most of the clock, extending their lead 18-6.

MAG-12 posted another six in the fourth, leaving less than six on the clock and a 24-6 deficit to overcome for H&HS.

H&HS decided to change it up a bit by throwing in Michael "The Skipper" Coletta as quarterback. However, with the little time

and lots of ground to make up, Coletta was forced to make a risky move, and the superb defense of MAG-12 earned yet another turnover.

MAG-12, rather than run the clock down, went deep on three consecutive plays but couldn't make a play and on fourth and 20 were sacked and turned it over on downs.

With 1:05 left, H&HS finally stopped MAG-12; however, it was too little too late as they still couldn't get the wheels moving on offense, thus handing over the title to MAG-12 with a 24-6 defeat.



CPL. ANDREA M. OLGUIN

Nathaniel Rozzelle, Marine Aircraft Group 12 wide receiver, leaps high and brings down six during the second quarter of the Fall Classic at Penny Lake here Sept. 17. MAG-12 won 24-6.



CPL. SALVADOR MORENO

Seth "Rock Chock Chicken Hawk" Stringham, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron running back, rounds the corner during the Fall Classic at Penny Lake here Sept. 17. Despite having awesome jerseys and countless hours of practice, H&HS fell to Marine Aircraft Group 12 24-6 after four quarters on the gridiron.