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## America's Squadron takes on Fuji

LANCE CPT. LUKAS J. BLOM  
Combat Correspondent

More than 45 Marines and sailors from Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 made the journey to Camp Fuji to participate in training exercises, June 17-26.

"Our main objective at Camp Fuji will be to install and certify the VTOL (Vertical Takeoff Landing) Pad and get some real world training for the bulk fuel Marines by conducting FARP (Forward Arming Refueling Points) missions," said Gunnery Sgt. William P. Westerman, detachment staff non-commissioned officer in charge.

The VTOL Pad is a series of 140-pound aluminum sheets, which fit together like a puzzle to create a 93-foot by 93-foot landing pad for incoming helicopters. The VTOL Pad is an expeditionary piece of equipment, which can replace a damaged landing pad or create a new site for helicopters landing in remote areas supplying equipment to ground forces. The Marines are also presented the unique opportunity of conducting FARP missions in a field environment. Due to the limited space on Station for an exercise of this magnitude, the bulk fuel specialists plan on taking full advantage of the training scheduled at Camp Fuji.

"A FARP is basically a refueling point on the front lines," said Westerman. "We bring the fuel to the front lines so that helos won't have to go all the way back to the rear to refuel, which would waste a lot of time in real world operations."



Lance Cpl. Mark Fayloga

Marines from Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 dig in for the long bus ride to Camp Fuji, to participate in a two-week exercise, Tuesday.

The Marines of MWSS-171 will be accompanied by the UH-60 Huey Helicopters of the U.S. Army's 78th Aviation Battalion. The 78th Aviation Battalion will be present providing the most realistic training available to the Marines.

"This will be our first time training with the 78<sup>th</sup>," said Westerman. "Their coming out here to give us some real training that is not possible back in Iwakuni. You can train on paper all day long, but until you actually get out there and train in the real world, it doesn't mean squat."

Along with the main two objectives of the exercise, the Marines will be conducting land navigation, hand and arm signals, patrolling, rear security and convoy classes; all of which are outlined in the Marine Corps Battle Skills Training see **FUJ1** Page 5

## Japan's medical community struggles with rapid rise in AIDS cases

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According to recent reports by medical officials, the AIDS virus has spread rapidly throughout Japan over the last decade astonishing the health establishment here.

A record 1,165 people were reported newly infected in 2004. This reflects a

14 percent increase of reported cases from 2003.

"It is important for Marines and Japanese to know the conditions of the virus and get HIV testing as often as needed to protect against spreading this virus," said Dr. Shigeyuki Miwa, director general at Iwakuni Health and Welfare Office.

There are approximately 10,070 HIV

and AIDS victims in Japan, a country with a population of 127 million people.

There are around 20,000 to 30,000 cases undiagnosed, putting the actual figure closer to 40,000. This means there are roughly 1 in 3,000 infected, compared to about 1 in 100 in Thailand or 1 in 1,500 in China, according to estimates by UNAIDS, the joint United Nations program on HIV and AIDS.

"Many people don't even realize the spread has become this bad," said Miwa. "The biggest increase in AIDS is among people in their 20's and 30's."

A report done in 2004 by the Japan Center for International Exchange states the total number of cases is thought to be doubling at a rate of every four years and could reach at least 50,000 by 2010. see **AIDS** Page 5

## Patriots make first expeditionary trip to Iwakuni for Unit Deployment Program

LANCE CPT. MARK FAYLOGA  
Combat Correspondent

Navy Electronic Attack Squadron 140 arrived aboard the Station Monday from Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Wash.

The Patriots are making their first expeditionary trip to Iwakuni as part of the Unit Deployment Program.

"Typically we operate from an aircraft carrier. Coming out to Iwakuni is a completely different experience for us," said Lt. David C. Holmes, VAQ-140 electronic counter measures officer. "This is an awesome oppor-

tunity for us to learn a new role, work with Marines and see how an expeditionary squadron works."

According to Holmes, the Patriots plan to conduct integrated training with Marine Aircraft Group 12 as a part of operational plans.

The Patriots will also conduct numerous sorties and take the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the area.

The Patriots come equipped with approximately 200 sailors and will be conducting missions with the help of approximately five EA-6B Prowlers.

The Prowler aircraft provides an umbrella of pro-

tection for strike aircraft, ground troops and ships by jamming enemy radar, electronic data links and communications. It is a long-range, all-weather aircraft with advanced electronic countermeasures capability.

In the Patriots 20-year history they have been an asset to several operations including Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm and Operation Southern Watch.

The Patriots continue to maintain a Class A mishap-free record since their establishment in 1985. The Patriots, who are normally deployed off the East Coast, see **PATRIOTS** Page 5



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## Commander's Column: Economy, Focus of Effort

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The Marine Corps, more than any other military organization, prides itself with accomplishing more with fewer resources while always ready for new challenges and greater responsibilities. Today, we are being challenged to absorb more resource reductions than ever before as war priorities are necessitating resource alignments.

Within our community, there are some very evident Marine Corps Air Station contributions to the war on terror. What may be less obvious, are the contributions we make in terms of dollars and manpower that have been reallocated from the Supporting Establishment to the Operating Forces.

Notice has been received from the very top that some of the resources always available for our mission are now being redirected to higher priority. In order to maintain our current high levels of effectiveness, we must focus more sharply on our efficiency. This is not just occurring within the Department of the Navy. In fact, the entire DoD is being

asked to increase efficiency. It is now up to all of us to accomplish our most important tasks within available resources. One absolute assumption is that we will not receive an increase in personnel or funding. Therefore, we must assess our priorities while asking the hard questions (Why & Is this necessary?) to ensure that we are currently only doing those things that are most important to our mission.

Soon the Business Performance Office will be reassessing the activities and the services of several functions. These functional reviews will greatly assist in determining our support capabilities. Knowledge of our support capabilities will aid Department Heads and myself to determine the most important priorities and the most efficient staffing to achieve these priorities.

Business efficiency actions and management process reviews are not usual topics of light conversation. These topics are not exciting and when they occur, appear intrusive and are a bit sensitive. When there is an inquiry into what you do, why you do it, and how long it takes you to accomplish, it

causes some concern and a very normal reaction to this functional review is to resent the fact that an outsider seems to be questioning what you do. In this regard, you have every right to understand why others are focusing on your functional area.

These functional reviews may determine that some of the things we do today have decreased in value when compared to other priorities assumed. In those cases, we will address a resource reallocation to the appropriate current priorities. This may mean that some personnel will be requested to do different things, and if new training is required, it will be provided. To reduce any concerns you may have about your job, I can remark that the current functional reviews are not intended to result in loss of employment on the Air Station. With that said, it is possible that some functions will be changed with associated personnel alignment to new priorities.

We are a team at Iwakuni, and we will continue to accomplish the mission as a team.

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## Ask the Inspector

MAJ. MATTHEW D. RAZVILLAS  
Station Inspector

*These are commonly asked questions about the eye care services on base and answered by Lt. Sunman of the Iwakuni Branch Health Clinic. This is part one of a two-part installment.*

### 1. Are you an optometrist or an ophthalmologist and what is the difference?

I am an optometrist. Both eye care providers are doctors, but each has had different training. Optometrists attend a four-year eye care program after college and earn the Doctor of Optometry degree "OD." Ophthalmologists attend medical school and are typically "MDs" who go on to a residency in

ophthalmology. Each type of eye doctor is highly skilled in the diagnosis and treatment of eye disease and injury. Each also performs refraction to allow the fitting of glasses and contact lenses.

The major difference is typically the ability of an ophthalmologist to perform surgery. Optometrists are limited to minor procedures involving the front surface of the eye (i.e.: abrasion treatment, foreign body removals, etc.). Ophthalmologists perform more complicated procedures deeper in the eye. Since BHC Iwakuni does not have an operating room, we do not have a billet for an ophthalmologist.

### 2. Does an ophthalmologist visit Iwakuni?

Yes. One of the two general ophthalmologists from U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka comes to Iwakuni for a 1-2 day visit once per quarter. He typically sees patients I have referred to him for surgical consult or secondary opinion. He

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## CHATTERBOX

"With Father's Day rapidly approaching, memories of good old Pops resound in our head. For some, he taught us the art of shaving, how to throw his signature fastball and kept all the hoodlums away from his precious princess. So, we were wondering..."

### What is the most important thing your father has done for you?



Pfc. Jacqueline N. Davenport  
Hot Springs, Ark.

"He's always been there for me. I always knew I could count on him for anything."



Gunnery Sgt. Troy K. Vann  
Lake Wales, Fla.

"Raised 11 kids, and managed to take the time out of his busy schedule to play baseball with us."



Lance Cpl. Justin R. O'Quinn  
Jesup, Ga.

"He put me to work at a young age. It taught me a lot about responsibility. I had to earn everything I got and it made me respect it more."



1st Lt. Brad Wright  
Fernandina Beach, Fla.

"He put myself and my brother, our needs, education and future above his present wants and desires. He worked very hard for us."

## Marine Corps addresses sexual assault with new policy

LANCE Cpl. CRISTIN K. BARTTER  
Combat Correspondent

According to Pentagon statistics, in the year 2004 there were 1,700 sexual assault reports of rape, sodomy, indecent assault and attempted offenses involving service members.

As a result, Marine Corps Order 1752.5 was enacted on September 28, 2004, establishing the sexual assault office and outlining what must be done for the victim's protection. In reference with the order a new policy was passed, May 24, authorizing all Station Uniformed Victim Advocates and chaplains to take the Sexual Assault Uniformed Victim Advocate Training course.

It is required that all battalions or squadrons have at least two uniformed victim advocates. When Marines deploy, they will have a trained victim advocate with them.

"For the past 10 years the Marine Corps has had civilian victim advocates, but they didn't have uniformed

victim advocates for when troops would go on deployment," said Jenice Staniford, Headquarters Marine Corps head of the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office. "We are now training uniformed victim advocates so victims can get the assistance and support they need wherever they are."

"By having them in your battalion or squadron, it is easier to have access to them rather than having to go find them," added Cmdr. Jane Bingham, Headquarters Marine Corps victim advocate specialist.

The two-day course, hosted in the Marines and Family Services building June 6-7, provided Station uniformed victim advocates with the skills to support victims, provide them with information and make sure all of their needs are met. Victim advocates, medical personnel, sexual assault response coordinators and chaplains will be the only personnel to have the right of confidentiality so victims will feel comfortable going to them for help.

"Some victims of sexual assault may prefer not to make any formal report or may want assistance before they're ready to make a report to the authorities, Marine Corps Order 1752.2 allows them an opportunity to receive assistance through the Victim Advocacy Program and Counselors at Marine & Family Services (Family Advocacy Program) without making a formal report," said Miki Kaplan, Marine and Family Services victim advocate.

"Many victims feel they cannot receive services without reporting the incident. However, if a report is made, an official investigation does not have to be launched," said Capt. Jeffrey Munoz, Station Judge Advocate Office trial counselor.

According to the order, it is vital, when dealing with victims, to treat them with sensitivity and support them. Measures must be taken to ensure the victim and offender does not work in the same office. The victim must be protected and given maximum privacy mak-

ing sure that only the correct personnel know of the incident. The victims will be protected through fair, diligent and impartial treatment as individuals, states the Order. In this fair and equitable treatment, leaders must recognize both genders can be sexual assault victims.

"It's (the option of helping) not a choice anymore," said Bingham. "We have to respond and respond in a certain way because we were doing a lousy job before."

According to General Michael W. Hagee, the commandant of the Marine Corps, in all Marine message 053/04 "Sexual assault is incompatible with Marine Corps core values and will not be tolerated. Every Marine is responsible for creating an environment in which all Marines are treated with honor, dignity and respect at all times, both on and off duty. We must eliminate those environments that provide or permit behavior that leads to sexual assault."

## Station clinic recognized for efforts outside of gate

LANCE Cpl. CRISTIN K. BARTTER  
Combat Correspondent

The Branch Health Clinic received the good conduct award for their service to the community from the Nippon Zenkokai Association, better known as the Good Conduct Association of Japan, May 21, during a ceremony at Meiji Shrine in Tokyo's Harajuku area.

Each year, the association recognizes individuals who have lent a helping hand in specific actions or given continuing assistance to the community.

This year there were awards given to individuals who have strengthened the bond between the Americans and their Japanese hosts, helped orphans and even saved lives.

The clinic was awarded for their work with an orphanage and preschool, along with hosting medical education classes to Japanese hospital personnel beyond the gates borders.

"We won this award for contributing to social welfare of the youth in the community," said Cmdr. Rachel Haltner, BHC officer-in-charge. "There are a lot of things that we have done contributing to the local area in general, not just the city of Iwakuni but to various groups in the Yamaguchi Prefecture."

According to Haltner, the reason they won the award was for their sustaining help within the community over the years. The clinic has been a beacon of light for the Akebono Orphanage for 20 years.

"It's an orphanage consisting of about 35 children who live on a remote island off Oshima Island," Haltner explained. "The children range from 6 to 16-years-old who have been displaced from their homes for various reasons. We meet with them at least two to three times a year, whether it's to have a Christmas party or to go to the orphanage to have a picnic."



Lance Cpl. Cristin K. Bartter

**The Branch Health Clinic hosts a picnic for the Akebono Orphanage who they have sustained close ties with for 20 years. Their volunteering support was recently commended with a good conduct award from the Nippon Zenkokai Association.**

Along with volunteering for the orphanage, the clinic has been a large supporter of medical education.

"It's very important for us to ensure that we sustain a good relationship with the local medical community," said Haltner. "One of the ways we support them is by getting nursing students here from local universities. We present lectures to them about American and military nursing."

The clinic is proud of their achievement, but in the end they believe it is all about the people who they have touched along the way.

Whether it be a game of toss or explaining the workings of medical equipment, as personnel in the healing arts they feel their assistance is their privilege.

"One of the things that makes America and the military so great is that in America we are not forced to give to others," said Haltner. "There are no rules that tell us that we have to give up our own time and money to help those that are underserved, but it is the right thing to do."

## NEWS BRIEFS

### IWAKUNI PROTESTS

Two separate protests taking place just outside the Air Station's fence-line on Sunday. One protest group will be attempting to form a human chain along the Contractors gate fence-line past the North gate entrance while the other will be in the area just outside the Air Station's Main Gate.

The first protest at the North gate and Contractors gate will cause them to be closed from 2 to 5 p.m. The second protest at the Main gate will cause it to be closed from 4 to 5 p.m.. The Monzen Gate will remain open until 7 p.m. on Sunday.

Air Station residents are to stay away from the protest sites and report suspicious activity outside of the areas identified above to the PMO desk Sgt. at 253-3303. Stay tuned to the AFN television channels on Sunday for updates.

### JOGGING TRAIL

The jogging trail along Penny Lake is to remain unused due to corrosion damages. The Facility Engineering Division is conducting a survey to determine the extent of the damages, until then, the trail around the lake will remain blocked from Station use in order to prevent injuries.

### CHAPEL EVENTS

The Station Memorial Chapel will host a premarital workshop, July 13; two vacation Bible schools scheduled for July 11-15, and Aug. 1-5 at 6-8 p.m. The CREDO Marriage Enrichment Retreat will be held at Nukui Springs Hotel and Resort Retreat, Aug. 5-7, for couples who wish to improve their relationship.

It is free for military and DoD members; space is limited.

## Station Marine stands out among peers



Lance Cpl. Lukas J. Blom

**Cpl. Judith Willis, Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 embarked, prepares cargo netting which will secure valuable gear for an upcoming deployment. Willis was named the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Marine of the Quarter.**

LANCE Cpl. LUKAS J. BLOM  
Combat Correspondent

Following a series of Service Record Book reviews Cpl. Judith Willis, Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 embarked, received a meritorious promotion to her present rank after she was named the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Marine of the Quarter for the second quarter of the fiscal year.

After competing in more than a dozen Company and Squadron boards unsuccessfully, Willis began the chain of events that led to her winning 1st MAW Marine of the Quarter by winning her Company and Squadron Marine of the month board for the month of April.

"My Gunnies were really motivated and told me when I got to the Squadron in July of 2004, 'you're going up on the Marine of the month board and if you don't win you're going on the next one, and if you don't win that, you're going on the next one,'" said the 20-year-old Antioch, Calif. native. "They had confidence in me and I didn't want to let them down, so I kept trying until I finally won a board."

Willis attributes her accomplishments to her positive attitude and diligent work ethic.

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During the first months of her 11-month tenure with America's Squadron, Willis was chosen to serve outside her MOS as an administrative assistant in the company office. Working alongside much higher-

ranking Marines who have been in the Corps since she was in grade school, Willis made an impression on the entire staff with her beaming smile and positive attitude.

"Her attitude and professionalism immediately set her apart from her peers; from day one she was always motivated and ready to do anything," said Gunnery Sgt. Brent Danberry, MWSS-171 air operations company first sergeant. "Not one day did I see her with a bad attitude and not one did she come in not ready to work. She's one of the top female Marines I've ever worked with in my career."

Though beating out countless lance corporals to be named the Marine of the Quarter for the 1st MAW would be enough of an accomplishment for many young Marines, Willis remains steadfast in accomplishing the rest of her goals in the Marine Corps.

"I've got three main goals that I'm working towards right now," said the newly pinned corporal. "I want to start taking college courses as soon as possible, not only for myself, but it will also help me reach sergeant in my first term, which is also one of my goals. I'd also like to start training for my green belt and hopefully go all the way up to black."

Although not one of her main goals, Willis is determined to take as many deployments as possible to fulfill one of the motives which steered her towards the Marine Corps—travel the world.

"I want to deploy as much as possible. I'd like to go to the Philippines because that's where my parents were born and raised. I haven't been there since I was 12-years-old, I miss it."

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also performs some minor eyelid procedures. Patients must be evaluated by the optometrist before a referral is made. Local Japanese ophthalmologists are available for referral of emergency situations beyond our capability.

### 3. Who do I call to schedule an appointment?

Optometry Clinic appointments are scheduled by our own technicians at 253-3163.

### 4. How long do I have to wait to get an appointment?

Appointments are available now within 1-2 days. The clinic tends to get busier in the later part of the summer and in the fall once school screenings begin. Waiting times then can be up to 2 weeks.

Parents should consider having their children examined now or before school starts to avoid longer waiting times.

### 5. What are your hours of operation?

We are open during the same hours as the Branch Health Clinic.

### 6. At what age should my child have his/her first eye exam?

First, it is important to distinguish between the terms "screening" and "exam". Typically, screenings evaluate vision and gross health problems and are done at well-baby/child exams, some physicals and at schools by the nursing staff. Screenings are an effective

way of noting certain vision problems and muscle alignment issues and often prompt a more thorough examination.

Screenings are not, however, a substitute for a comprehensive eye exam by an optometrist or ophthalmologist.

We recommend a comprehensive exam at the age of 5 or just before kindergarten. We certainly see kids sooner if a screening has noted a problem or if the parent has any specific concerns.

### 7. How often should I have my eyes checked?

The average healthy person should have a comprehensive examination with dilated pupils every 2 years.

Exams may be warranted more frequently in patients with preexisting eye conditions or systemic illness (i.e. diabetes) and that timing would be discussed with your eye care provider. Contact lens wearers should be examined annually to ensure continued ocular health while wearing their contacts.

### 8. If the optometrist writes me a prescription for glasses or contacts, where can I purchase these?

Spectacle prescriptions can be filled by any optician that can make glasses. Options include The Marine Corps Exchange optical shop, taking the prescription out to any local Japanese optician, or having it filled at home when you are on leave.

Prescriptions for contact lenses can also be filled at the MCX, but cannot usually be filled in town.

The internet is another option for ordering contact lenses, but stick to reputable vendors who should re-

quire you to fax the prescription to them before it's filled. I discourage purchasing eyeglasses online.

### 9. Why do eye doctors dilate pupils?

Dilation of the pupil is part of a comprehensive eye exam in my opinion. By dilating the pupil, the doctor is afforded a "larger window" into the eye and can obtain a much more thorough evaluation of the eye's health. One simply cannot see certain peripheral structures in the back of the eye without a dilated pupil. I like to do this on healthy patients every two years or sometimes sooner if indicated.

### 10. Do I have to have to have my pupils dilated if I come in for an exam?

If I do not have documentation of a healthy, dilated exam within 2 years, I strongly recommend it at an exam. A patient always has the right to decline the procedure if they choose, but they must understand that certain parts of the eye will go unevaluated if the procedure is declined.

### 11. What are the side effects of pupil dilation?

The two most common are sensitivity to light and near vision blur. Depending on the individual and the drops used, light sensitivity will typically remain for the duration of the dilation and can last from 6-12 hours. Near vision blur is also variable, but typically lasts 2-3 hours. Your doctor will advise you at the time of the procedure how long this should last.

Bring your sunglasses with you to the exam if you do not want to wear the really cool ones we have to offer.

## King of deployment enjoyment

LANCE Cpl. LUKAS J. BLOM  
Combat Correspondent

"Once a Marine always a Marine." This is a saying that separates the Marine Corps from any other service. While some Marines attempt to distance themselves from the "Green Machine" after their separation from active duty, one Station resident can't get enough.

Jay Stovall, Station Single Marine Program coordinator, has spent the last 27 years with the Corps; 19 years active duty and 8 years supporting devil dogs from outside their ranks.

"He really supports the Marines and sailors," said Paula Kim, SMP administrative support specialist. "The way he cares about Marines and sailors is inspiring. They are his top priorities."

Trading in his cammies for a shirt and tie, Stovall moved to Hawaii to begin life as a civilian.

"When I got out (of the Marine Corps), I was working in Hawaii for Mutual of Omaha when they (Mutual of Omaha) invited me to come back to south mainland Japan to be a representative for the Southern Japan area," said the Castle Rock, Colo., native.

"As soon as I got there I saw a job opening for the assistant SMP coordinator, so I jumped at the opportunity to work with Marines again."

Teaching college courses at a University in Hiroshima along with his full time job with Mutual of Omaha and night job with the SMP, Stovall rarely had a moment to spare.

After approximately a year of living the three-faceted life, Stovall got an offer that he couldn't refuse—take over the Single Marine Program and the Hornet's Nest.

"The SMP was the perfect avenue for me to come back into the Marine Corps family," said

Stovall. "In the latter part of my career in the Marine Corps I was always taking my young Marines out camping or to ball games. As an older mentor it was a great way to get my Marines out of the barracks and provide constructive recreation opportunities. It

was a much better plan than letting them sit home all weekend getting drunk. Now with the SMP I just get to expand what I was doing as a staff (noncommissioned officer)."

As well as providing the SMP with a long history with the Marine Corps, Stovall began using his innovation and initiative to enhance the

Station SMP.

"As a retired Marine, he knows the stresses that come with being a single Marine. He addresses those issues to increase the Marines and Sailors quality of life," said Enrique Sabia, SMP assistant coordinator and Hornet's Nest manager.

By getting in touch with people he met on all his deployments with the Marine Corps, Stovall



Lance Cpl. Lukas J. Blom

**Jay Stovall, Single Marine Program coordinator, has been in charge of the Hornets Nest for the past eight years. Stovall is the only SMP coordinator that brings the SMP on deployment with Marines and sailors.**

developed a plan to take the SMP with the Marines on deployment. No other SMP office had ever attempted this feat.

"I have been to all the places our Iwakuni Marines deploy to when I was on active duty, so I've got an infrastructure of contacts that are able to show me cultural or recreational places that otherwise the Marine would never find out about," said Stovall.

"When the Marines get a chance to go to these places and just have fun and relax it carries over to their work environment and personal emotional stability, which upgrades the quality of life and job performance in the Marine Corps."

Stovall spends more than five months out of each year being deployed with Station Marines. "Sometimes I barely have enough time to unpack from the last deployment and I'm off to someplace else," said Stovall.

Whether providing recreational trips on training deployments or setting up community relation visits to orphanages during real world operations, Stovall is a very welcome face for any service member on deployment or just trying to get off the Station to experience local culture.

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Handbook.

"We're going to be getting a lot of the same training that we got at (Marine

Combat Training), but I loved MCT so I'm pretty excited to get out in the field," said Pfc. Brandon L. Watson, MWSS-171 bulk fuel specialist.

If weather and the training schedule

permit, the Marines are also planning on setting aside one day in order to ascend Mount Fuji. Mount Fuji is Japan's highest and most prominent mountain standing 12,285 feet tall.

"I'm really hoping that we get to climb Mount Fuji, it's something I've wanted to do ever since I got to Iwakuni," said Watson. "It's something I only want to do once."

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"People need to gain more knowledge of the virus and be careful who they sleep with if we want to lower these numbers," said Miwa.

There are programs available at medical facilities providing people counseling and AIDS testing two or three times a month. These programs give people knowledge about the virus and information on how it spreads.

"We must enlighten people on this situation and make sure they know how to protect themselves from AIDS," said Miwa.

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are looking forward to their 4-month tour in the Pacific.

"We're looking forward to traveling all around the area, meeting the local community and seeing all the Pacific has to offer," said Holmes. "We don't come out here very often so we're going to enjoy it."



# Residents flip over aquarium

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Walking toward the blue window, the man transforms into a little boy with his nose pressed against the glass hoping to get their attention for just a moment. As they glide by, he giggles with delight. One shows off a little for their spectator, and the man, with the heart of a child, fills with joy as he takes in the special moment between him and his new dolphin friend.

Information Tours and Travels gave Station residents the opportunity to roam like children at Kaikyokan Aquarium, Shimonoseki Marine Science Museum, Saturday. The aquarium consisted of a self-paced tour past a number of fish bowls filled with thousands of slimy creatures, a hands-on area where spectators could pick up starfish and baby sharks, and a dolphin and sea lion show.

"I thought the tour of the aquarium was very nice," said James Monroe, Pass and Registration supervisor. "I really like the way they displayed everything in the different aquariums."

For most, the show was the most entertaining event, "The dolphins were the coolest things I saw today," said Lance Cpl. Jazmin Deleon, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron pay and maintenance clerk. "I had never seen them in person before and I felt like a little kid again when I saw them. Being able to see dolphins at the show was a great surprise for me."

The aquarium offered guests the opportunity to experience some things they never thought was possible. For Pfc. Joseph Dawkins, H&HS orders personnel clerk, the idea of holding a baby shark was unbelievable.

"I was so scared and nervous," Dawkins explained after his shark encounter. "I had to stick my hand in a dark area of water that was filled with baby sharks. When I grabbed one it felt like sandpaper. I am never going to forget this moment for the rest of my life."

After enjoying what the aquarium had to offer guests could shop in the gift shops where they sold stuffed animals, little figurines and animal memorabilia, or walk to the fish market to enjoy the morning catch of the day.

"I had shrimp and a bowl of crab soup," said Monroe. "They were selling all kinds of sushi too."

As everyone gathered back on the IT&T bus with smiles on their faces, the trip was deemed a "well worth it" event. "I thought this trip was awesome!" Deleon exclaimed. "Everyone has to check it out."

For more information on future IT&T trips, call 253-4377.



ABOVE: Lance Cpl. Jazmin Deleon, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron pay and maintenance clerk, plays with a baby shark in the "hands on" area of the Shimonoseki, Kaikyokan Aquarium, Saturday. Aquarium visitors can handle sharks, starfish and crabs.  
 LEFT: One of the more popular events was the dolphin and sea lion show where guests were splashed by the acrobatical animals at the aquarium. FAR LEFT: A sea lion performs for the crowd gathered for the Aqua Show.

# Residents receive Calbee experience

LANCE Cpl. L. ENDUS B. CASEY  
Combat Correspondent

Thinking of potato chips brings to mind a few descriptive words such as greasy, salty, and unhealthy, but Calbee potato chip factories prove their chips are healthy and delicious.

Marine and Family Services organized a trip to a Calbee potato chip factory in Hiroshima, June 10, allowing Station residents the opportunity to see another part of Japanese culture and how much work goes into Calbee's.

Calbee makes their potato chips healthy by using vegetable oil, which helps lower cholesterol. They also provide different types of chips, which contain many different vegetables you wouldn't find in many American chips such as spinach, pumpkin, carrot, green pepper, and tomatoes.

"I wanted people to understand Japanese snacks and how healthy they are," said Yoshiko Kihara, the cross culture specialist with Marine and Family services.

The residents were greeted by Calbee personnel upon arrival and taken to a conference room, where Yukiharu Malsuda, the field support team leader for Calbee, presented a video showing Calbee potato chips being made.

After the presentation, Malsuda led the group on a tour of the factory. He started off by showing everyone what the potatoes look like at the very beginning of the process.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Cristin K. Barter

Twins Kev J. and Morkeshia Y. Groomes enjoy free Calbee potato chips after a tour of the Calbee potato chip factory in Hiroshima, June 10. The tour gave residents an opportunity to see another part of Japanese culture.

The tour then moved on to the pretreatment process where everyone watched as the potatoes were washed with water and peeled by a machine.

Afterwards, the group was taken to a viewing room that overlooked a group of workers removing the eyes and bruised sections of the potatoes by hand.

"The order of the factory was very professional," said Sho L. Roberts, a tour participant.

While in the viewing room, the group was also shown the processing of the potato chips. This process allowed the group to see how the potatoes were sliced through the machines and the excess starch washed off the

cut surfaces, and then fried in vegetable oil.

"The way they sliced the potatoes into chips was the best thing I saw on the tour," said Kev J. Groomes, an 11-year-old tour participant.

During the tour, the group was also able to sample the potato chips and see the seasoning process, where the different flavoring mixtures are precisely measured and mixed with the chips.

"The chips taste better than American chips and are even better for you with all their nutritional value," said Monica L. Groomes, a tour participant.

The tour concluded with a glimpse of the packaging process.

Then, the group was allowed to ask questions. Each participant also received a parting gift from Calbee, providing the group with 3 different types of potato chips.

"Calbee is a very famous snack company in Japan," said Kihara. "I thought the people would enjoy the trip, along with the free chips."



ABOVE: Yukiharu Malsuda, Calbee field support team leader, shows off a finished bag of Calbee potato chips. RIGHT: A batch of potatoes, fresh off the truck, waits to be processed.

## OUT THE GATE

**Note:** Japanese who do not speak English may answer the phone numbers provided.

### "Quilt Roman" Patchwork Display

A display of nearly 100 pieces of patchwork, including tapestries and 50 pieces of felt crafts, such as dresses and bags will be today and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sinfonia Iwakuni. Admission is free. Call 32-5211 for details.

### Yasaka Lake Sports Festival

A festival will be held at Yasaka Lake July 31, 9 a.m. Participants are invited to join in on the fun. Regatta race (knuckle four, dragon boat and canoeing) will be held. Admission fee is required. The deadline is July 7. For more information, call Wada at 253-5344 or 253-5551.

### Hydrangea Festival

A festival is held Sunday, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Hikari City Sports Park, Ajsai-en Garden, where visitors can view over 15,000 hydrangea plants. Various events, such as a tea ceremony, a Bonsai trees and

plants auction, plants and flowers sale, pottery bazaar and more are scheduled. The festival will run rain or shine. Admission is free. For further information, call 0833-72-1400.

### Flowers And Birds Drawings Exhibition

There will be a display of 31 pieces of birds and flowers paintings, mainly drawn in Edo, Meiji and Taisho eras, at the Chokokan Museum near the Kintai Bridge now through July 24, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The museum is closed July 19 and Mondays except July 18. Admission is free. For details, call 41-0452.

## TORII TELLER CLASSIFIED ADS

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### AUTOMOBILES

**Nissan Sylvia**, 1993, mid-size, low miles, runs great, CD/cassette, road tax/recycle tax paid, JCI until Oct. 2006, \$2,000 obo. Call Thomas Hessmann at 253-4967 dwh or e-mail to hermadipidis@hotmail.com.

**Mitsubishi Chariot**, 1993, 4 door, JCI until Nov. 2006, \$1,800. Call CWO2 Tarker at 253-5039 dwh or 253-2835 aw.

**Toyota Town Ace**, 1991, 8 passenger, van, diesel,

manual, A/C, radio, excellent condition, 54,250 miles, JCI until Aug. 2006, \$1,700 obo. Call Tanaka at 253-5323 dwh or 253-2413 aw.

**Toyota Town Ace**, 1991, 8 passenger van, automatic, A/C, P/W, P/L, good cond., JCI until Oct. 2006, \$1,500. Call Bill at 253-4264 dwh or 31-8529 aw.

**Toyota Hilux**, 1990, runs great, automatic, ski racks, great stereo, road tax/recycling fee included, \$900

obo. Call Jesse at 253-3211 dwh or 253-7958 aw.

**Nissan Laurel**, 1991, sedan, 4 door, JCI until Dec. 2006, \$900. Call Art or Marivic at 253-4726 dwh or 253-2536 aw.

**Nissan Laurel**, 1993, mid-size, runs great, must sell, JCI until July 2006, \$900 obo. Call Capt. Turkal at 253-5133 dwh or 253-7723 aw.

**Nissan Pulsar**, 1993, 4 door, runs great., JCI until Oct. 2006, \$3,000. Call

Marcia at 253-3852 dwh or 29-2372 aw.

**Nissan Skyline GTST**, 1991, 2 door, 5 speed, JCI May 2006, \$2,500 obo. Call Jay at 253-2078 or 080-3467-9211.

**Mazda Scrum**, 1994, light vehicle van, manual, A/C, radio/cassette, 46,250 miles, JCI until June 2006, \$1,100. Call Tanaka at 253-5323 dwh or 253-2413 aw.

### OTHER ITEMS

**Misc.**, 2 concert tickets to Summer Sonic, a 2-day music festival, featuring over 50 bands, including: NIN, Weezer, Yellow Card and many more. Concert is Aug. 13-14 in Tokyo. Asking \$480 obo. Call Mark at 253-5551 dwh o 253-7302.

### JOB OPENINGS

**Softland International**  
Positions are available at Torii Tunes in the MCX. For details, call 253-2555.

**Community Bank**  
A 30-hour teller position is open. Call Marcia at 253-3852 for details.

**Civilian Human Resources Office**  
For a complete listing of all Civilian Human Resources Office job openings please visit <http://www.iwakuni.usmc.mil/HRO/>.

## Webelos Scouts cross over



Lance Cpl. Lendus B. Casey

Webelos Scout member Matthew P. Forti struggles to cross the "Bridge of Trust" during a crossing over ceremony hosted by Cmdr. George N. Suther, Scout Master of Troop 77, Sunday. The bridge, built by Boy Scout Troop 77, symbolized the Cub Scouts crossing over from Webelos Scouts to Boy Scouts. "The Scouts are now required to do things on their own," said Suther. "They have to make up their own minds when to get things done. We are only here to guide them and show them how to do it."

## MOVIE SCHEDULE SAKURA THEATER

**FRIDAY** - 7 p.m. XXX: State Of The Union (PG-13); 10 p.m. The Amityville Horror (R)  
**SATURDAY** - 1 p.m. Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy (PG); 4 p.m. King's Ransom (PG-13); 7 p.m.: Cinderella Man (PG-13); 10 p.m. A Lot Like Love (PG-13)  
**SUNDAY** - 4 p.m. Longest Yard (PG-13); 7 p.m. The Interpreter (PG-13)  
**MONDAY** - 7 p.m. XXX: State Of The Union (PG-13)  
**TUESDAY** - 7 p.m. Cinderella Man (PG-13)  
**WEDNESDAY** - 7 p.m. King's Ransom (PG-13)  
**THURSDAY** - 7 p.m. Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy (PG)

This schedule is submitted by the Sakura Theater and is subject to change. For show times call the Sakura Theater at 253-5291.

## MCTV CHANNEL 19

**FRIDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Twister (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m.

The Whole Ten Yards (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. 8 Mile (R); 2 a.m. S.W.A.T. (PG-13)  
**SATURDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Mean Girls (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Starsky And Hutch (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R); 2 a.m. Out Of Time (PG-13)  
**SUNDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. It Runs In The Family (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Without A Paddle (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. The Life Aquatic (R); 2 a.m. House Of Sand And Fog (R)  
**MONDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Racing Stripes (PG); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Fat Albert (PG); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Seed Of Chucky (R); 2 a.m. Rambo: First Blood (R)  
**TUESDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Top Secret (PG); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Ocean's Twelve (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. We Were Soldiers (R); 2 a.m. Get Shorty (R)  
**WEDNESDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Orange County (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Drumline (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Wicker Park (PG-13); 2 a.m. Kiss Of The Dragon (R)  
**THURSDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. First Knight (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Meet The Fockers (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Memento (R); 2 a.m. Silence Of The Lambs (R)

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS CHRO

### CHRO Training

■ **Organizational Communication: Effective Presentations:** Monday through Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

■ **How To Catch Yourself "Leading Right":** Aug. 24-26, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information and nominations, call 253-6834 or send e-mail to MarehamPA@iwakuni.usmc.mil. Classes will be held at CHRO training room. Building one, Room 102.

### MCCS

#### Club Iwakuni (253-5416)

■ **Battle Of The Guitars And Sunset Garden:** Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Featuring a live band and backyard barbecue.

■ **Father's Day Brunch:** Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom.

■ **Bosses' Night:** Tuesday, 5-7 p.m. Uniform of the day required.

■ **The Carson Downey Band:** Tuesday, 8-12 p.m. in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom. Adults only.

### MCX (253-5641)

■ **Father's Day Sale:** Now through Sunday. Discount apparel, electronics, Victoria's Secret Men's gift sets and more.

### Single Marine Program (253-3585)

■ **Chess Tournament:** Sunday, 6 p.m. Sign up at the Hornet's Nest.

■ **Hornet's Nest Birthday Bash:** June 24. Free burgers, hot dogs, chips and dip, sodas, raffles, cake and door prizes. The party starts at 4:30 p.m.

■ **Shuhodo Caves Exploration Trip:** June 25. Bus departs the Hornet's nest at 8 a.m.

### School Age Center (253-4769)

■ **Meet & Greet BBQ:** Today, 3-5 p.m. Come meet your Summer camp Counselors. Parents and kindergartners through sixth graders are invited.

■ **Camp Adventure 2005:** Registration is open continuously throughout the summer for Camp Adventure 2005, held on the Station. The camp is open to children ages 5 to 12. 5-year-old children must be enrolling in kindergarten next school year in order to participate. Parents must provide their L.E.S. upon registering. The camp operates Monday through Aug. 19.

### Youth & Teen Center (253-6454)

■ **End Of The School Year Dance Party & BBQ:** Today, 6-11:30 p.m. Enjoy a celebration for the end of the school year. 10 to 12-year-olds party 6-8:30 p.m. Teens dance 9-11:30 p.m.

### Marine and Family Services

#### Bowling Party

Monday, 1-4 p.m. Enjoy lunch and bowling with senior Japanese ladies. Advance sign-up is required. Call 253-6165 for details.

#### Okonomiyaki Otafuku Sauce Factory

June 24, 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Enjoy a video show, factory tour and free gift. Sign up in advance. For more information, call 253-6165.

#### Military Pre-retirement Seminar

Monday through June 24, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This five day seminar focuses on the unique challenges of military retirement. Call 253-6508 for details.

### OTHER

#### Navy Ball Yard Sale

A yard sale, sponsored by MCAS CPOA, will be held Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Town Square. Call HMCS Coopman at 253-4015 for more information.

# Nihongo de...

基地司令寄稿:「儉約を努力の焦点に」  
マイケル・A・ダイアー大佐

米海兵隊は米軍内の他のどの軍隊よりも、より少ない資産でより多くのことを達成することを誇りにしている。同時に、常に新しい課題に挑み、大きな責任を果たす準備ができています。今日、我々は今まで以上の財源縮小を迫られている。これは、軍事優先事項により財源調整が必要となっているためである。

岩国基地がテロとの戦いに貢献しているのは明らかである。あまり目立たないが、岩国基地が行っている貢献は、支援部隊から作戦部隊へ再配分される金額や人的資源に関するものである。岩国基地の任務のために常に準備されていた資産の一部は、現在、より高い優先事項に公正に振り分けられていると、上層部から通達を受けた。現在の岩国基地の高い有効性を維持するためには、今まで以上に効率性に厳しくする必要があります。

これは米海軍内だけでおきていることではなく、米国防総省全体が効率を上げるよう迫られている。利用可能な資産で最重要任務を成し遂げられるかどうかは、今、我々全員にかかっている。明白なのは、人員や財政支援の増加は期待できないということである。そのため、「なぜこのような評価をするのか、このような評価をする必要があるのか。」という難しい質問をしながら我々の優先事項を評価し、任務のために最も重要なことだけを行うようにする必要があります。

間もなく、BPO (Business Performance Office: 基地業務推進事務所) はいくつかの職務における仕事やサービスを見直すことになるであろう。これらの職務見直しは、我々の支援能力を判定するのに大変役立つ。我々の支援能力を認識することは、各職場の部長や私自身が最重要優先事項を決定したり、これらの優先事項を達成するための最も効率的な人材配置を決定するのに有用である。

職務効率化および管理過程の見直しは、軽い会話での普通の話題ではない。これら楽しい話題ではなく、会話でこのようなことが話題になると煩わしく、少し微妙な話題になる。外部の人間が自分の仕事についていろいろ質問すると、ほとんどの人が不快感を抱いたり、懸念を抱いたりする。これに関して、皆さんは自分の職務が見直しされる理由を理解するすべての権利を持っている。

これらの職務見直しによって、現在我々が行っている職務のなかには他の優先事項と比較すると価値が減少したと判断されるものがあるかもしれない。このような場合は、現在の適切な優先事項に予算を再配分する。結果として今までとは異なる仕事をするよう求められる人も出てくるかもしれないが、その場合、必要な訓練は提供される。

皆さんの仕事に関する懸念を減らすため、この職務見直しが岩国基地内での従業員を減らすために行っているのではないという私の見解をここに述べておく。しかしながら、職務の中には、新しい優先事項に関連した人事配置が行われる場合もある。我々はここ岩国でチームとして機能しており、チームとして任務を達成しつづける。

This story is a translation of the top of page 2 text. 本文は2ページ上段の記事の日本語訳です。

## Mess Hall Lunch Menu



### Week Of June 20-24

**Monday** – Manhattan Clam Chowder, Chicken And Rice Soup, Sauerbraten, Caribbean Catfish, Steamed Rice, Oven Browned Potatoes, Red Beans, Calico Cabbage, Brown Gravy, Fresh Croissants  
**Tuesday** – Beef Noodle Soup, Chicken And Mushroom Soup, Spicy Baked Fish, Szechwan Chicken, O'Brien Potatoes, Noodles Jefferson, French Fried Cauli-

flower, Broccoli Parmesan, Brown Gravy, Cheese Biscuit  
**Wednesday** – Tomato Noodle Soup, Chicken And Mushroom Soup, El Rancho Stew, Caribbean Chicken, Steamed Rice, Noodles Jefferson, Brussel Sprouts, Simmer Corn, Corn Bread  
**Thursday** – Minestrone Soup, Cream Of Broccoli Soup, Pineapple Chicken, Liver And Onions, Steamed Rice, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Okra And Tomato Gumbo, Green Beans Southern Style, Chicken Gravy, Dinner Roll  
**Friday** – Beef Barley, Spanish Soup, Lemon Baked Fish, Beef Stroganoff, Steamed Rice, Potatoes Au Gratin, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Cauliflower Combo, Black Eyed Peas, Chicken Gravy, Hot Dinner Rolls

## CHAPEL RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### Roman Catholic

Saturday  
4:30 p.m. Confession  
5:30 p.m. Mass  
Sunday  
8:45 a.m. Mass

### Protestant

Sunday  
9 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowships  
10:15 a.m. Non-Denominational Christian Worship  
11:45 a.m. Gospel Worship Service

### Cooperative Chapel Ministries

3rd Saturday  
8 a.m. Men's Fellowship Breakfast

## LAY LED RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### Jewish

Friday  
6 p.m. Shabbat Service

### Seventh-Day Adventist

2nd & 4th Saturday  
9:30 a.m. Sabbath School/Worship

### Episcopal

Sunday  
7 p.m. Worship Service

### Church of Christ

Sunday  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Wednesday  
7 p.m. Bible Study

### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Weekdays  
6:30 a.m. Seminary  
Sunday  
1 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Society & Sunday School  
3 p.m. Sacrament Meeting

## OTHER SERVICES

### Islamic

Friday  
12 p.m. Prayer

To confirm current schedule of services at the Marine Memorial Chapel, call 253-3371.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Vacation Bible School for preschoolers through sixth graders will be held at the Station Chapel Aug. 1-5, from 6-8 p.m. Children can register at the foyer of the Chapel. Volunteers can still sign up to help. For more information, call Carol Nash at 253-4323.



At the start of the game, players take position behind their end-line. After a signal by the official, each team races toward the centerline to retrieve as many balls as they can to give their team the upper hand during the dodgeball tournament, Saturday.

# Hey Girl serves Malscatraz fresh plate of defeat

STORY AND PHOTOS BY  
LANCE CL. LENDUS B. CASEY  
Combat Correspondent

Dodgeball has bounced its way into the recreational court of some residents here. The Station hosted this year's first Dodgeball Tournament at Marine Corps Community Services Ironworks Gym, Saturday.

The tournament allowed residents the opportunity to enjoy a sport that requires players to pelt each other with rubber balls.

"This tournament will allow people a chance to have fun in between baseball and basketball," said Keith G. Carr, Ironworks athletic assistant director.

The competition left fans on the edge of their seats as Hey Girl dominated on a one-way track to the championship game against Malscatraz.

"There wasn't much to the win. We came in expecting it," said Billy E. Allbright, Hey Girl team member. "There was never a time we felt we were going to lose."

Nine teams competed in a double-elimination tournament. Each team was allowed six to ten players with only six on the court at a time. The matches were won by winning the best of five games.

The tournament started off with a typhoon

of dodgeballs being hurled across the court. As the games started winding down, the competitive mercury started rising.

Hey Girl took on Malscatraz in the winners' bracket of the semifinals. The game was close with Hey Girl winning 3-2.

Malscatraz took on Recovery with an itch to scratch, determined to face Hey Girl one more time. The game wound down with the score 2 to 2, anyone's game. Malscatraz pulled through beating Recovery 3 to 2, allowing them to face Hey Girl for the championship.

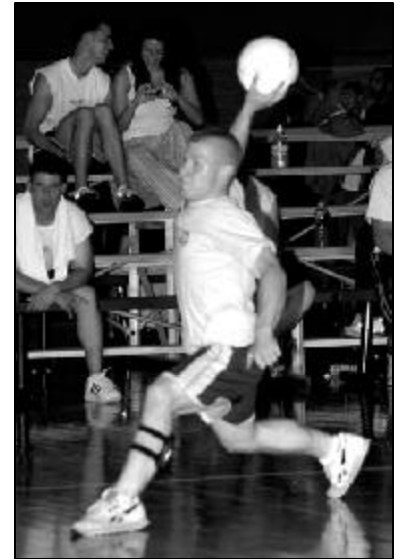
"Lets get ready to rumble!" roared the announcer.

Adrenaline was high as players from both teams ran to center court to start the last game of the tournament, which ended with nothing but disappointment. Hey Girl dominated against Malscatraz, shutting them out, giving a whole new meaning to the term "crushing the competition."

"I liked both teams because they were excited to play and had a lot of spirit," said Alyssa A. Nelson, recreation attendant at Ironworks gym.

Hey Girl was excited about the win and dedicated their accomplishments to their coach.

"Our coach, Jordan Hines, doesn't win a whole lot of stuff but he builds a good team around him," said Allbright.



Justin E Sivils, Recovery member, hurls the ball at Malscatraz during their heated battle in the semifinals.

# IWAKUNI SPORTS SCENE

## ADULT SWIM LESSONS

The Over 30 (Adult) Swim Lessons will coincide with the summer Learn-to-Swim session. Lessons are conducted 6-6:45 p.m. Registration for this class is available now. Call the Aquatics Office at 253-4966 for more information.

## STUDENT BOWLING

Matthew C. Perry students bowl for 50 cents per game on weekdays. Shoe rental is free. Call 253-4657 for further details.

## SUMMER LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM

Session One of the Summer Learn-to-Swim program commences Monday and ends July 1. Both morning and afternoon classes are available for those interested. Morning classes are 9-11 a.m. at the IronWorks Gym indoor pool and afternoon classes are held at the Main Outdoor Pool, weather

permitting, 4-6 p.m. Sign up for each class is \$30 and is available at the Aquatics office in the IronWorks Gym. For further information, call 253-4966.

## FATHER'S DAY FISHING TRIP

The trip is open to children ages 4-18 and their parents. Sign up today at the IronWorks Gym front desk. The trip leaves from the gym at 9 a.m. Saturday. Fishing poles and bait will be provided. The cost is \$5. Bring your own lunch. Drinks are also provided. Seats for this trip are limited. For details, call 253-3239.

## ONE PITCH SOFTBALL

Tournament coaches meet Tuesday in the IronWorks Gym Wellness Room at 9:30 a.m. The tournament takes place July 1, 6 p.m. and July 2, 9 a.m. at the main field. Call 253-5777 for more details.



Runners "cash in" during a Unit PT Poker Run on the seawall, June 10, sponsored by the Marine Corps Community Services Ironworks Gym.



Mathieu T. Torres, Crash Crew Runner, crosses the finish line during the 5k poker run. His unit placed second in the competition.

## Station units up ante during 5k poker run

STORY AND PHOTOS BY  
LANCE CPT. MARK FAYLOGA  
*Combat Correspondent*

A Marine flies along the seawall, his feet pounding on the pavement as he pushes even harder, the finish line approaches rapidly as he leaves all other competitors behind. For all of his hard work and completion of a 5K in 17 minutes he receives a six of clubs, not the greatest deal in the world of poker.

It was all about the luck of the draw during the Unit PT Poker Run held on the seawall behind Marine Corps Community Services IronWorks Gym, June 10.

The poker run was the seventh event in the 2005 President's Challenge and afforded all units on Station the opportunity to enjoy exercising together while attempting to earn cash for their party fund. During the event, ten teams of five runners competed in a 5K run along the seawall. Upon completion of the run the participants picked a random card.

The team with the best poker hand after all runners finished the race, took first place in the event. In order to qualify for a card the run had to be completed faster than 25 minutes.

"This event is more about luck than it is about who is the fastest or the strongest," said Tracy D. Morgan, Semper Fit athletics coordinator. "We try to have a multitude of events during the President's Challenge so no single unit places first in all of them."

In the end it was Station Ordnance

who took home the pot, a trophy and \$100 toward their party fund, with three nines.

"Word got passed at our morning formation about the run and they were looking for volunteers. I volunteered as a chance to take a break from the normal work day and as a chance to exercise as a unit," said Stephen L. Marston, Station Ordnance runner. "I just came out with the goal of beating the 25-minute deadline, we ended up winning for the first time in a while. Now, we're going to keep the winning streak going with the next event."

Second place honors, a trophy and \$75 toward their party fund, went to Crash Crew who were holding two pair, aces and kings. Crash Crew showed no remorse over taking second, their goal for the event was clear.

"We came out here to show our pride for our section and show Recovery we do something besides clean trucks," said Mathieu T. Torres, Crash Crew runner. "We may have come in second but I didn't see Recovery put together any poker hand, I guess Crew is pretty and lucky."

With only five events left in the President's Challenge, Crash Crew and Recovery are tied at 140 points. The rivalry is sure to continue during the next event on July 22 with a Paintball Unit PT competition.

For more information about the paintball competition or future President's Challenge events, contact 253-5051.