

## MONTHLY SORTIE GOALS

961st Airborne Air Control Squadron	86.0
Monthly flying-hour contract	72.6
Hours flown	-13.4
Monthly offset	
33rd Rescue Squadron	
Monthly flying-hour contract	218.0
Hours flown	194.5
Monthly offset	-23.5
909th Air Refueling Squadron	
Monthly flying-hour contract	366.0
Hours flown	328.2
Monthly offset	-37.8
44th Fighter Squadron	
Monthly sortie contract	397
Sorties flown	404
Monthly offset	7
67th Fighter Squadron	
Monthly sortie contract	371
Sorties flown	322
Monthly offset	-49

Source: 18th MOS/MXOOP, as of Jan. 14

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## WEEKEND WEATHER



**TODAY:** Mostly cloudy with isolated rain showers  
N-NW winds @ 10-15 knots  
High: 61 Low: 54



**SATURDAY:** Mostly cloudy  
N winds @ 10-12 knots  
High: 63 Low: 52



**SUNDAY:** Mostly cloudy  
NE-E winds @ 12-20 knots  
High: 63 Low: 54

**FRIDAY MORNING'S COMMUNITYBANK EXCHANGERATES**  
BUYING: \$1=¥103 SELLING: ¥109= \$1

## Kadena kicks off first exercise of the year with trip to bare base in Korea



Air Force /Tech. Sgt. Richard Freeland

**KWANG JU AIR BASE, South Korea** – Staff Sgts. Bryan Butler (left) and Terry Dize (right) demonstrate Air Force ingenuity by dragging a rope across the tail wing of a Kadena KC-135 Stratotanker to clear off the snow. Airman First Class Robert Perry (center) completes the team with a high vantage point and long reach. More than 118 Kadena airmen deployed to South Korea during the weekend to test their ability to maintain aircraft at a deployed location. For story and more photos, turn to pages 6 and 7.

# Finance officials stress OHA survey participation

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake  
18th Wing Public Affairs

Finance officials announced last week that the deadline for servicemembers to submit answers for the Per Diem Travel and Allowance Committee's 2003 Overseas Housing Allowance Utility and Move-in Housing Allowance Survey had been extended to Feb. 13.

According to Chief Master Sgt. Karen Boatright, only about 30 percent of servicemembers stationed here in Okinawa

have completed the survey that helps Defense Department finance officials determine the amount of money servicemembers need to offset off-base housing utility and moving expenses.

Chief Boatright said one of the possible reasons for the low participation thus far is the fact that many servicemembers were either deployed or preparing to take holiday vacation when the survey was first announced Dec. 3.

"(Servicemembers who

live off-base) must participate to make this a realistic and effective survey," she said. "Our goal is to get as close to 100 percent participation as possible because this affects people's paychecks."

To participate in the survey, visit <http://milsurveys.com/OHA>, and have bills and records of utility and maintenance expenses for the last 12 months for reference.

For more information, call Chief Boatright at 634-3823.

See survey guidelines chart on page 4.

## Kadena officials ask military community to conserve water

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake  
18th Wing Public Affairs

In an effort to help conserve water on Okinawa, 18th Wing officials will implement a temporary policy Tuesday limiting privately owned vehicle car washes and lawn watering in military housing areas and dormitories at all military bases on Okinawa.

Local off-base officials on Jan. 23 discussed measures of saving water with the Okinawan government after receiving reports that Okinawa's water supply at its nine dams had dropped to 59.6 percent, according to local newspapers. Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Remington, 18th Wing commander, said Thursday that the new policy will begin on Tuesday.

Col. Steven Lillemon, 18th Civil Engineer Group commander and executive agent for all military family housing on Okinawa said the water

limitations apply to all military and civilian residents of military housing units and dormitories Okinawa-wide. Col. Brent Baker, 18th Mission Support Group commander, said the policy also applies to car washing fundraisers. The only approved car washing is at the Army and Air Force Exchange Service car washes on military bases. At Kadena, the AAFES car wash is across the street from the Risner Fitness Center.

"We will continue with this policy until further notice or when there is no longer a danger of water rationing," Colonels Baker and Lillemon explained. Colonel Lillemon said people who violate the policy may be issued a citation by base housing inspectors, but he also acknowledged that he doesn't expect compliance to be an issue. "Most people understand the importance of water conservation," he said.



# 18 MUNS commander: Look to the oath

By Lt. Col. Thomas Noon  
18th Munitions Squadron

What principles guide you as you serve your country? If you can't quickly answer this question, then I challenge you to look to the oath we take as airmen and take to heart its full meaning. This is the oath we live by every day, which becomes especially relevant when we are called to serve our nation in a time of crisis.

### ...do solemnly swear...

Our oath is a deeply earnest promise to serve our nation. As airmen, the oath embraces our core values, our internal compass that guides our service to a grateful nation. It is our promise to apply our experience and training as we continue to lead our units in successful mission execution.

### ...that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States...

Our mandate as airmen in service to our nation is derived from that same great document which created our republic. Our oath not only guides our actions, but also calls us to action.

Here at Kadena we are not just Americans stationed overseas, we are America-partnering with our allies, who will continue to fight alongside us to overcome shared threats.

### ...against all enemies, foreign and domestic...

Our founding fathers knew our great democracy would not only face threats from across the sea, but from within, and codified this in our great seal: E pluribus Unum - out of many, one.

We will serve our nation in peace and in war, wherever and whenever we are called. In the 18th

Wing, we are many indeed; many creeds, many races, many cultures. This is a source of our strength and the foundation of our approach toward human dignity that we rely upon in times of crisis.

### ...that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same...

Our oath represents our faith, loyalty, and trust in the integrity of our nation's institutions.

The World Trade Center towers represented a pinnacle in human achievement shared by the world. Their destruction represents another human capacity: the capacity to destroy and annihilate the labors of civilization.

Now we are being called in action to defend our nation from these forces of destruction. The freedom, security, and prosperity we have known for so long is under attack. We airmen all bring unique expertise to this fight. We all have a job to do, and must do it well.

### ...and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of those officers appointed over me...

We also have great faith, loyalty, and trust in our nation's leaders. Our Commander in Chief and our Air Force senior leaders also take this oath, which sets the resonant tone of our nation's leadership.

Our Commander-In-Chief has called us to action: "Make no mistake about it: My resolve is steady and strong about winning this war that has been declared on America.

"It's a new kind of war...and this government will call others to join us, to make sure this act, these acts, the people who conducted these acts and those

who harbor them, are held accountable for their actions. Make no mistake."

Today, the 18th Wing has troops deployed across the world answering this call. The go-to-war skills you've worked so hard to hone and the expertise you've spent years developing, are the essential contributions you bring to the fight.

### ...according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice...

We will fight as we have trained—in accordance with those instructions we have mastered that serve as a foundation of our wing's leadership, discipline, and readiness.

These are not just words, but the basic foundation of the common operating environment that the men and women of the 18th Wing know well.

In my squadron's munitions maintenance operations, all it takes is one failure in leadership, discipline, or readiness to cause mission failure—that's why we demand such a high level from every member of the Air Force's finest combat wing.

### ...so help me God.

We recognize the sacredness of our oath by acknowledging our ultimate accountability—to our creator. Our nation's seal is clear: In God We Trust.

As you are called to action, remember your oath and let your attitude reflect a simple truth expressed by John Quincy Adams, "Duty is ours, the results are God's."

By our actions, we will lead the world in eradicating terrorism—an evil that we've never before fully confronted. As you remember your oath, ask yourself: Are you disciplined? Are you ready? Are you a leader?

Colonel Noon is commander of the 18th Munitions Squadron.

## ACTION LINES

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Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Remington  
18th Wing commander

The 18th Wing is very interested in ideas that can make Kadena an even better place to live, work and play.

If you have a concern that you have been unable to resolve through normal chains of command, then we'll look into it.

Although not required, it's better to give commanders, first sergeants or the agencies with which you have the concern the opportunity to correct the situation first. When that fails, send us an e-mail. Include your name and telephone number so someone can get back to you, and a brief summary of your concern.

## Crosswalks

### Q. Will there be bike lanes and pedestrian bridges built across Kuter and Douglas for middle school students?

A. I have children and share your concerns for their safety as pedestrians or bicyclists. We aren't planning to construct either bike lanes or pedestrian bridges for several reasons.

First, our existing crosswalks and traffic

signals are adequate to protect our school children provided that drivers comply with 18WGI 31-204, paragraph 4.2.2.25, which states: "Vehicle operators will yield right-of-way to pedestrians at all crosswalks."

Further, pedestrian bridges constructed to be typhoon-proof are extremely expensive, and we only have a limited budget with which to work all our priorities.

Finally, we have

looked several times at the need and space availability for bike paths, and we consistently find that the demand is not high, nor is space available without narrowing our traffic lanes, which would result in even less safety. To be honest, our best approach is to continue emphasizing the need for all our drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians to know and follow the basic rules and to be aware of their surroundings.

### PHONE NUMBERS

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Base Exchange.....633-4570  
Civil Engineer Helpline.....634-4270  
Clubs.....634-3002  
Commissary.....634-3640  
Finance.....634-1996

Fraud, Waste & Abuse Hotline.....634-0404  
Home Telephone Helpline.....634-4080  
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Kadena Services.....634-1719  
Medical and Dental.....632-9304  
Safety.....634-SAFE  
Security Forces.....634-1397



## SHOGUN WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Senior Airman Michael Shoup

18th Communications Squadron, cable and antenna maintenance  
Hometown: Franklin, Pa.

Reason for nomination: According to Airman Shoup's supervisors, he is a hard charging cable/antenna technician who always takes the initiative to get the job done.

Time at Kadena: 2 years, 4 months

Time in the Air Force: 3 years, 2 months

Editor's note : *Shogun Warriors* are selected by unit leaders for their outstanding value to their unit and dedication to the Kadena mission. To nominate someone, send the name of your nominee to your unit commander or senior enlisted leaders.



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**AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH EVENTS:**

**Film festival** -- There will be an African-American Film festival held at the Schilling Community Center at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9 and 23, and at 5 p.m. Feb. 15. There will also be additional screenings at 7 p.m. inside Jack's Place Wednesday, Feb. 11, 18 and 25.

**Feb. 7 -- Music festival** -- The search is on for singers and musicians to help organize a mass choir for this event. Currently rehearsals are being held at Chapel 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. on Fridays and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Rehearsals will continue until the day of the event. For more information, call Leona Tatum at 933-7580 or e-mail her at rlovel@yacht.ocn.ne.jp.

**Feb. 7 -- African-American Expo 2004** -- An exposition celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Supreme Court ruling of "Brown vs. Board of Education" will be held at the Kadena High School from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Food, music and poetry readings, dances, storytelling, scholarship and adoption information will be offered at the site. For more information, call Daisy Jones at 634-7530.

**COMMANDER'S CALLS:** The 18th Wing will hold a commander's call at the Keystone Theater on Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. for E-1 through E-5 and at 3:30 p.m. for E-6 through E-9; on Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. for E-6 through E-9, at 10:30 a.m. for civilian employees and at 3:30 p.m. for E-1 through E-5. A commander's call for officers will be held Feb. 6 at 4 p.m. at the Officers' Club.

**GLAMOUR SHOTS:** Spouses of deployed airmen can get free glamour photos taken at Bldg. 88 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 4 and 5. Space is limited. Call 634-3366 to schedule an appointment.

**OFFICE CLOSURE:** Kadena's telephone customer service, telephone trouble reporting and communications cable digging permit office in Bldgs. 400 and 3136 will be closed Feb. 6 for a power outage. For more information, contact 634-1005.

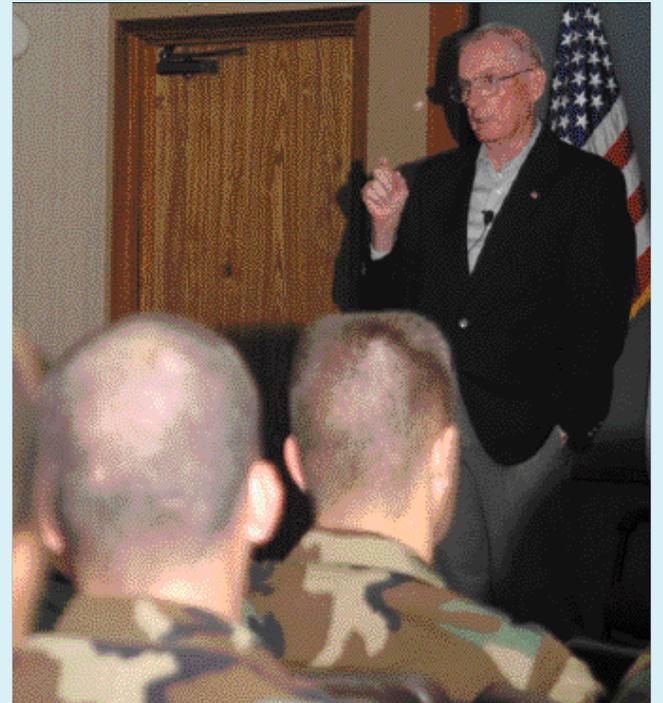
**TOWN HALL:** Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Remington, 18th Wing commander, will hold a live town hall meeting from 7 to 8 p.m. Feb. 4 on the American Forces Network radio station, AM 648, and Commander's Access Channel 23. People who would like to ask questions during

the town hall can send an e-mail to AFNokinawa@mcb-butler.usmc.mil.

**PHONECALLBLOCKING:** Kadena telephone customer service now offers a new service that blocks outgoing calls from on-base residential phones to cell phones. The charge for a phone line with the new service is \$34.68 per month. For more information, call 634-3215.

**DRAGONBOATRACERSNEEDED:** Volunteers are needed to form teams for the May 5 Naha Dragon Boat race. A men's and women's team are needed for the competition consisting of 32 rowers, a gonger and a motivator. Team members must be Air Force active duty, Guard, Reserve members, a Department of Defense civilian employee or a Status of Forces Agreement family member over age 18. Racers are expected to attend training sessions 3 times every week - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 5:30 a.m. or 5:30 pm at the Four Diamonds Softball Field. There will be a meeting Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the Schilling Community Center. For more information, call Master Sgt. Ursula Young at 634-2499.

**Retired CMSAF visits Kadena**



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Anika Williams

Retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James McCoy speaks with NCO Academy students during a visit to Kadena Jan. 23. Later the same day, 18th Services Squadron officials renamed a room inside the Shogun Inn in honor of the Air Force's sixth Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force. As he looked outside the window of his new room and saw the towering new lodging facilities across the street he said, "When I was an airman we didn't even think of the word 'quality of life.' This is another one of many improvements that show how the Air Force takes care of our families."

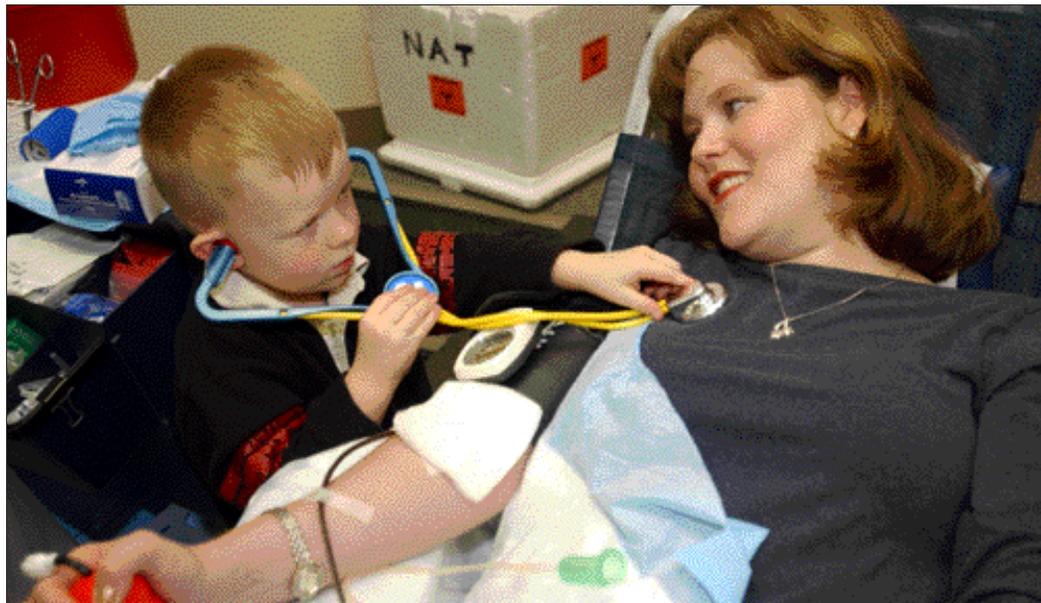
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## Eating pavement



Air Force/Airman First Class Michael Pallazola

Staff Sgt. Orlando Galvez, 18th Security Forces Squadron, apprehends a fake "suspected terrorist" trying to infiltrate Kadena during the operational readiness exercise here this week. The fake incident was part of a test of security forces responses on the base. The exercise, which began Saturday, is scheduled to end today.



Air Force/Airman First Class Michael Pallazola

Cameron Chastain checks his mom's heart as she gives blood at Thursday's 18th Medical Group spouses' blood drive. Leah Chastain said she came to the blood drive before taking her son to get a shot so he could see mommy doing it first.

# Kadena volunteer saves lives with Mexican food

By Capt. CK Keegan  
18th Wing public affairs

Mayra Kent helps save lives with homemade Mexican food.

She uses the food to attract blood donors during 18th Medical Group spouses' blood drives, which are held every eight weeks.

Since Mrs. Kent took over the blood drives a year and half ago, they have become the most successful drives on the island, according to Capt. Jerome Vinluan, associate director, Armed Services Blood Bank Center. While Mrs. Kent's events bring in about 50 people, others struggle to get 10 volunteers.

"I really believe it's the food which brings them in," said Mrs. Kent. "It allows people to donate and not miss their lunch break."

According to Mrs. Kent, this is one of the main reasons people aren't able to donate.

She credits the lunch idea to a donor who made an off-handed comment.

He said he like the dessert (speaking about the blood center's snacks provided at all drives), but wanted to know where the food was.

Although jokingly made, she took the comment to heart. "I'm Hispanic, I love to cook," she said.

And so it started with tacos.

Mrs. Kent has tried cooking other types of food in the past besides Mexican. One blood drive had an Italian theme. "I had a donor say, 'Why don't you stick to Mexican food'"

She did.  
The 18th Medical Group



Air Force/Airman First Class Michael Pallazola

Airman First Class Mike Brant, 18 Maintenance Squadron, weapons loader, fills his plate with Mexican food after donating blood Thursday.

spouses are one of 40 units on Kadena who sponsor blood drives.

"For every successful blood drives like theirs, there are many others who have difficulty bringing people in," he said.

"I've noticed that the most successful drives are the ones where commanders allow a half-day off for donating. People donate at noon and are able to go home after that."

While blood stays usable for 42 days, platelets only last five days. The center must constantly replenish their supply. Because of this, the blood center's requirements are to have at least three blood drives per week.

"We are responsible for the whole PACOM AOR (area of responsibility)," he said. "Donating blood at Kadena could save a life in Hawaii, Okinawa or Korea."

An airman at Misawa recently needed O negative blood. The call for the blood type went out and people at Kadena answered, saving the airman's life.

During Operation IRAQI FREEDOM an airman needed a large amount of blood. The blood center sent units out to help.

"The adult human body holds about eight to 10 units of blood, but the airman required 148 units," said Captain Vinluan. "It took 148 people to save this airman's life"

In March 2003, during OIF, blood drives saw the largest turnout.

"It's obvious that people respond when there's a need," he said. "But what they must understand is that there's a need all year round."

According to Sandy Presson, who gave blood at yesterday's 18th Medical Group spouses' blood drive, giving blood is just a good thing to do.

"All it costs is a little time and not too much effort," she said. "And, it goes to people who need it - in a big way."

For those who missed the 18th Medical Group Spouses' blood drive yesterday, they will be holding another one April 2. Units, who would like to sponsor a blood drive, can contact the Armed Services Blood Bank Center at 643-7710.

## Things to keep in mind when taking housing allowance survey

### Items that SHOULD be reported in MIHA portion

- Major appliances (refrigerator, freezer, stove, washing machine, dryer, water heater, space heater, water purifier, air conditioners and dehumidifiers)
- Utility hook-up charges (non-refundable deposits for phone, electric, heating, water, etc.)
- Security/safety items (window bars, smoke detectors, burglar alarms, etc.)
- Initial services and fees (home inspection, fumigation, wall papering and painting)
- Miscellaneous items (cabinets and shelves, sinks, tubs or toilet seats, curtain or shower rods, floor coverings, permanent light fixtures, etc.)
- Transformers and voltage regulators

### Items that should NOT be reported in MIHA portion

- Rugs, carpets, curtains and drapes
- Lawn and garden maintenance expenses, fencing and other yard related items
- Dishwashers, microwave ovens and small personal appliances
- Televisions, antennas and cable installation
- Light bulbs
- Taxes of any kind - unless required by lease
- Any personal labor costs
- Any refundable deposits

### Items that SHOULD be reported in Utility portion

- Electricity
- Gas or heating
- Kerosene, fuel oil, or coal
- Firewood
- Water for residence
- Bottled gas
- Maintenance and minor repairs (ie - replacement of windowpane, etc.)
- Insurance required by custom
- Condo fees
- Police protection or guards
- Taxes for which tenant is responsible and must make separately identifiable payment

### Items that SHOULD be reported in Utility portion

- Cable television
- Tuition
- Telephone bills
- Auto gasoline/diesel fuel
- Auto expenses
- Books
- Pet expenses
- Postage
- Road taxes
- Gifts
- Repairs to personally owned electrical equipment
- Maid services
- Yard maintenance



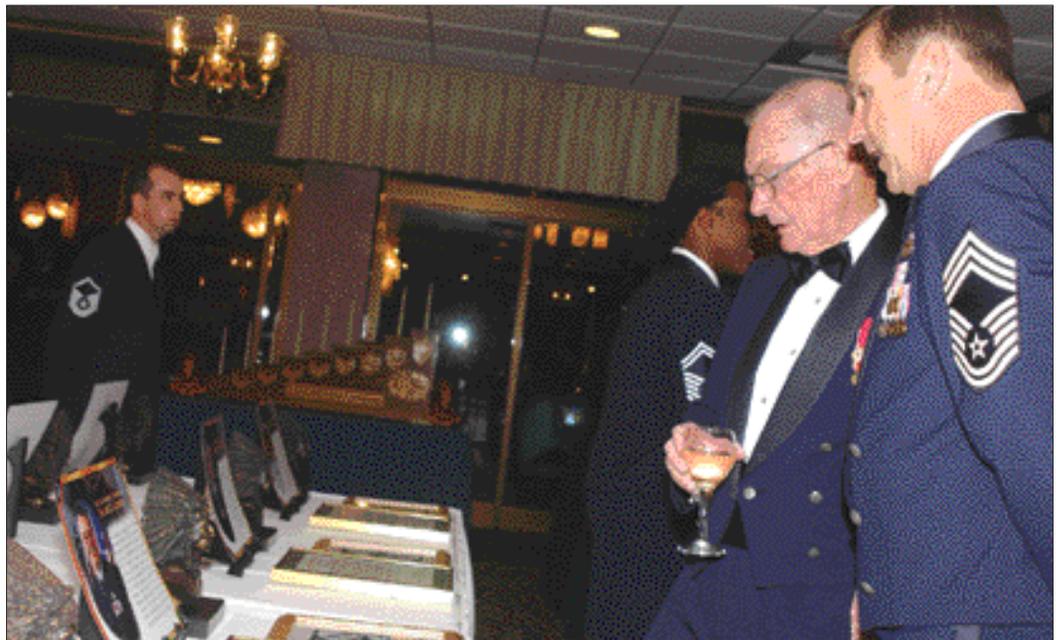
Air Force /Senior Airman Mercedes McAlister

The 18th Wing's Command Chief Master Sgt. Anthony Bishop lights a candle representing the Air Force's highest enlisted rank during a chief induction ceremony at the Rocker NCO Club Jan. 23. Those inducted were: Army First Sergeant Walter T. Buck, Army Sgt. Major James M. Harmon, Chief Master Sgt. Tracy L. Lawson, Senior Master Sgt. Raymond T. Farrell, Marine Corps Master Gunnery Sgt. Dalvin L. Bailey, Marine Corps Master Sgt. Charlie Sargent III, Senior Master Sgt. Eric E. Eckman, Senior Master Sgt. Raphael Jackson, Senior Master Sgt. Christopher D. Long, Senior Master Sgt. Juan C. Lewis, Senior Master Sgt. David S. Cannon, Senior Master Sgt. Thomas O. McConnell and Japanese Air Self Defense Forces Senior Master Sgt. Yoshihiro Matsukawa.



Air Force /Senior Airman Mercedes McAlister

Chief inductee, Senior Master Sgt. Christopher Long of the 718th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, walks through raised sabre swords with his daughter Emily, (left) and daughter Amanda during the ceremony at the Rocker NCO Club.



Air Force /Senior Airman Mercedes McAlister

Chief Master Sgt. Robert Boatwright, 18th Component Maintenance Squadron, right, reads and talks over biographies of the inductees with former Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James McCoy. Chief McCoy, now retired, was the sixth chief master sergeant of the Air Force and the ceremony's guest speaker.

# Kadena inducts 13 into top enlisted rank

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston  
18th Wing public affairs

Nearly 500 people – some from as far away as Orlando, Fla. – gathered to watch 13 people inducted into the top enlisted military rank in a multi-service, bi-lateral ceremony at the Rocker NCO Club Jan. 23.

Eight airman, two soldiers, two Marines and one Japanese Air Self Defense service-member were dressed to the "T" at the club as they were inducted into the rank of E-9 as family members and friends watched in the annual ceremony held by the Kadena Chiefs Group.

"The most important thing for everyone to remember is that this ceremony marks the

first step of someone entering into the top one percent of the enlisted force," said 18th Wing, Command Chief Master Sgt. Anthony Bishop on Wednesday. "It is equally important for the NCO corps to see these leaders assume that authority."

"We really make this a family event" said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Burns, chairman of the event. "The inductees had their children and spouses walk with them and their spouse was given a gift as a symbol of the many sacrifices they have made."

Chief Burns, who was inducted last year, said that while the ceremony culminates the career of a service-member who has reached the top, what was really important to him was that his



Air Force /Senior Airman Mercedes McAlister

spouse was recognized. "After all, nobody makes it to this level without a lot of help," he said. Chief Burns said that the inductees this year requested such recognition for their family members. "One of

the Army sergeant majors also told me the ceremony was one of the highlights of his career," Chief Burns said. "It was a good feeling hearing that and made all the hard work everyone in the induction committee

Chief McCoy and chief inductee Senior Master Sgt. Raymond Farrell of Det. 3, 25th Information Operations Squadron, representing the oldest and newest "chiefs," cut a ceremonial cake during the induction ceremony. Sergeant Farrell's brothers – Mike and Jimmy – flew from Orlando, Fla. to watch their little brother become a chief, according to the induction ceremony's chairman Chief Master Sgt. Mark Burns.

did, pay off." The return on investment for all the pageantry isn't wasted either, according to Chief Burns, because those inducted this year are responsible for next year's ceremony.

# Getting deployments down cold

## Kadena troops test skills on Korean Peninsula

Story and photographs by Tech. Sgt. Richard Freeland  
18th Communications Squadron

More than 100 airmen, 12 F-15 fighters and three KC-135 tanker returned Tuesday to Kadena after a four-day deployment to Kwang Ju Air Base, South Korea as the 18th Wing tested its capabilities to go to war.

The deployment of 118 airmen from Kadena was a test of the 18th Wing's ability

to deploy during a scheduled Operational Readiness Exercise that began at Kadena Jan. 24 and ended today.

"The opportunity for the 18th Wing to deploy to an alternate working location had many benefits," said Lt. Col. Denis Delaney, CADRE commander.

One of the differences airmen stationed on the subtropical island of Okinawa experienced during the short deployment according to Colonel Delaney was, "Snow!"

"Executing our war games in an alternate location and a cold weather climate introduced new challenges such as snow removal, language barriers and base support issues," Colonel Delaney said Tuesday.

"The biggest advantage to this training was that it better resembled the environment that we would actually go to war in," he said.

"It has only been about a year since I've seen snow," said Senior Airman John

Cafazzo, an F-15 crew chief who deployed to Korea. Airman Cafazzo acknowledged that the weather didn't have any real affect on his ability to do his job as a crew chief. But Airman Cafazzo also acknowledged that the deployment went well.

"It went pretty good considering the jets aren't used to cold weather. They did well."

"We watched the weather closely and when we thought the time was right we brought the jets in," said Maj. Mike White, mission

director for the deployment. "The weather cooperated and it ended up being a good decision. Everyone would agree that becoming familiar with this base was worth the effort."

Work at the base went well, according to First Lt. Steven Curtis, deployed commander for the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron.

"It didn't matter what the situation was, the experts were on hand," he said. "We held true to the statement that you can't win

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One go ment for s to ensure and contr tained t deployme First Lt deployed c 18th C Squadron.

"Comr very basic the deploy he said. "maintain c trol throu the goal."



**CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: FORMS:** Senior Airman John Turner, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron, reviews his forms after having Senior Airman Jason Boland, 18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, sign for an F-15 refueling.

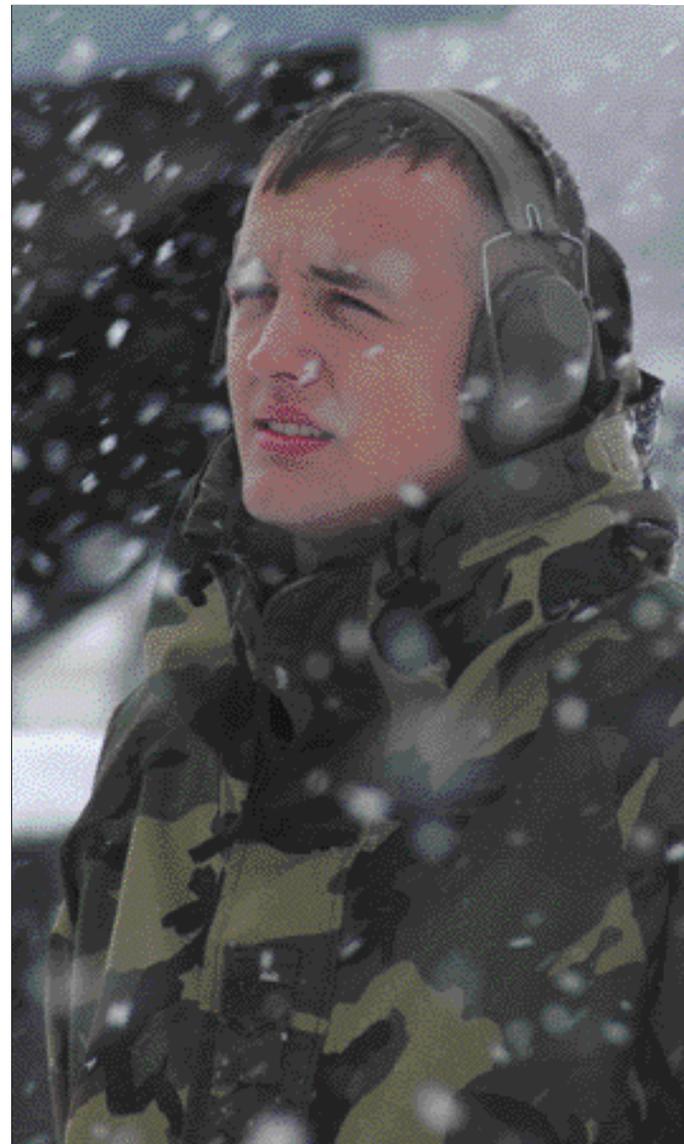
**SNOW:** Airman First Class Robert Perry, 18th AMS, looks on as snow pelts Kadena workers at Kwang Ju Air Base, South Korea.

**SPRAY:** Staff Sgt. John Plugrad, 909th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, de-ices the tail wing of a KC-135 prior to take-off Saturday at Kwang Ju Air Base.

**FUEL:** Master Sgt. Ricky Stone and Airman First Class Blake Dortch, both from the 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron, connect a hose for refueling incoming aircraft Saturday.

**COLD:** Airman Dortch checks the fuel level while Staff Sgt. Nelson, 18th LRS, stands ready at the fuel shutoff switch below.

**PARK:** Senior Airman Jason Boland, 18th AMS, guides an F-15 into its parking position on the ramp as Kadena members arrive at Kwang Ju Air Base.





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# Kadena tailors may offer new logo service in February

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake  
18th Wing public affairs

Air Force clothing office officials are asking airmen to wait before having their lightweight blue jackets embroidered with the Air Force logo.

"We've had an overwhelmingly positive response in regards to placing the logo on the jacket," said Libby Glade, Air Force clothing office chief. "However, we have also received numerous questions from embroidery vendors and private individuals about the logo. We are revising the technical data to obtain an embroidery software format to ensure a high-quality, consistent appearance."

A contractor is currently working on a digitized pattern, which will be available online at [www.af.mil/airforcestory](http://www.af.mil/airforcestory) by the first week of February, Ms. Glade said. This pattern should be compatible with 90 percent of the embroidery software programs used by vendors.

"We are advising vendors and individuals to hold off on embroidering until further guidance is available," she said.

Kazuno Yamazato, Pacific Rim Army Air Force Exchange Service supervisor, said Wednesday that officials at higher headquarters in Dallas, Texas, have instructed local AAFES

alterations offices to hold until further notice.

Terry Nakamura, Kadena's Olympic mall alterations manager, said that the final details were being worked out with Pacific Rim Army Air Force Exchange Service officials to determine the price for adding the logo to the jacket.

"Although we want to provide this service as soon as possible, we probably won't offer the service until sometime in February."

Besides the digitized pattern, complete, updated specifications for embroidery will be available online. These specifications will include a diagram of logo placement and design elements, such as thread color and number, font style and size, stitch style and count, and spacing.

Ms. Glade said those individuals who have already had their jackets embroidered based on the current Web site logo guidelines and the previous news article are authorized to wear their embroidered jackets.

"However, we are advising that since this software will ensure conformity with the AF logo guidelines and provide uniformity across the AF, it would be best if individuals refrained from having their jackets embroidered until the software is available," she said.

Air Force Print News contributed to this report.



Air Force/Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

The Air Force chief of staff has approved adding the Air Force logo to the light-weight blue jacket. Airmen at Kadena may be able to get the new logos attached in February.

## New law protects servicemembers

WASHINGTON — A new law replacing the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 provides servicemembers greater protection to handle personal financial and legal obligations, officials said.

President Bush signed the Service Members' Civil Relief Act into law Dec. 19.

"The focus of the (new act) is the same as under the SSCRA: To provide protections to servicemembers who have difficulty meeting their personal financial and legal obligations because of their military service," said Lt. Col. Patrick Lindemann, deputy director for legal policy in the office of the undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness.

This is significant, because it clarifies and updates SSCRA provisions and adds some protections.

"Servicemembers on long-term deployments, or called to active duty, should not have to worry about their families in their absence

being evicted from their quarters without sufficient legal protections, or that they are paying on a leased car or apartment that they can't use, or about civil legal proceedings they can't attend because of their deployment," he said.

"These are some of the situations the SCRA covers so that servicemembers are able to devote their energies to the military mission and the defense needs of the nation, and not on civil matters waiting for them at home," he said.

An automatic 90-day stay of civil proceedings upon application by the servicemember is what Colonel Lindemann called "a significant change" in the new act. This applies to all judicial and administrative hearings. Previously, stays were discretionary with the courts.

The new relief act also makes it clear the 6-percent limitation on interest rates for pre-service debts requires a reduction in

monthly payments, and any interest in excess of 6 percent is forgiven, not deferred, Colonel Lindemann said.

The SCRA also expanded the protection against eviction. Under the SSCRA, servicemembers and their family who entered into a lease for \$1,200 or less could not be evicted without a court order.

This amount is increased to \$2,400 and added an annual inflation adjustment. For 2004, the maximum will be \$2,465, significantly increasing the number of servicemembers entitled to this protection, Colonel Lindemann said.

The new relief act also gives the servicemember who has received permanent change-of-station orders or who is being deployed for 90 days or more the right to terminate a housing lease with 30 days' written notice. Before, servicemembers could be required to pay for housing they were unable to

occupy.

One of the more significant new provisions is an added protection for motor-vehicle leases. Any active-duty servicemember who has received PCS orders outside the continental United States, or who is being deployed for 180 days or more, may terminate a motor-vehicle lease. The law prohibits early termination charges.

"Now, servicemembers won't have to pay monthly lease payments for a car they can't use," Colonel Lindemann said.

"Servicemembers may not always realize all the protections they have under the law," Colonel Lindemann said. "If servicemembers have questions about the SCRA or the protections that they may be entitled to, they should contact their unit judge advocate or installation legal assistance officer for further assistance."

American Forces Press Service

## Center helps deployed airmen

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Deployed personnel specialists now have around-the-clock assistance in performing personnel actions for deployed airmen that previously may have taken days to complete.

The Air Force Contact Center will now provide one-stop customer support for deployed operations, said Lt. Col. Jacqueline Harry, chief of the customer support branch at the Air Force Personnel Center. While the contact center cannot yet fully replace a person's servicing military personnel flight, it can accomplish much of the work currently done at home station, said the colonel.

Before deployed commanders had to go to home station commanders, MPFs to complete personnel services, even though the airmen came from multiple locations. The Air Force Contact Center offers one-stop shopping service for personnel information by calling (800) 616-3775. Service is also available online at [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil).

Air Force Personnel Center News Service



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Jason Lake

### Valentine's Day dinner cruise

Kadena Information, Tickets and Travel offers a romantic evening with your loved one aboard the Moby Dick from 3:45 to 8 p.m. on Valentine's Day. Enjoy a beautiful dinner as you cruise the seas of southern Okinawa. Cost is \$152 per couple (including dinner - bring yen for cocktails) and \$55 for each child. For more Valentine's Day activities, read below.

# Kadena Activities

### Valentine's Day activities

Seaside Inn dinner : Dine within the sounds and sight of the ocean and enjoy broiled lobster dinner for two. Cost is \$55 per couple. Doors open at 5 p.m.

Rocker NCO Club candlelight dinner : Enjoy a candlelight dinner, live entertainment and a rose for every lady. Dress is semi-formal. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m.

Officers' Club dinner : Cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres begins at 6 p.m. followed by a five-course meal in an elegant setting. Cost is \$50 per couple. All ranks and services are welcome.

Valentines Day cookie orders: The Banyan Tree Club will be accepting orders for Valentine's Day cookies from Monday until Feb. 12. Orders can be made by calling 634-0644 and picked up between 6:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Feb. 14.

Kid's night out at the Kadena Youth Center: Want to spend a few hours with your loved one alone? The Kadena Youth Center will offer an evening of games, arts and crafts projects and movies for children ages 6 to 12 from 6 to 11 p.m. Pre-registration is due by Feb. 11.

### Kadena ITT

Tonight: *Battle of Okinawa*, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$18 for adults, \$12 for children ages 6-12 and \$5 for children under 5.

• *Nago Cherry Blossom Festival*, 2:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-12 and \$5 for children under 5.

Sunday: *Nago Cherry Blossom Festival*, 1 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-12 and \$5 for children under 5.

• *Okinawa World Tour (Gyokusendo Cave)*, Cost is \$29 for adults, \$17 for children ages 5-15 and \$5 for children ages 4 and under.

Feb. 7: *Hearts Apart Yellow Ribbon Tour*, This tour is free to spouses of deployed servicemembers. Visit southern Okinawa, Main Place shopping mall, Naminoue Shrine and the Chinese Garden.

• *Bios on the Hill*, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$25 for adults, \$13 for children ages 6-12 and \$5 for children ages

5 and under.

### Clubs

Feb. 13: *Comedy Showcase*, begins at 10 p.m. at the Banyan Tree Club. Share some laughs with comedic performances by Al Toomer and Yoursie Thomas.

Feb. 18: *Membership Night*, 5 to 7 p.m. at the Banyan Tree Club. Enjoy a complimentary buffet where club members and their spouses eat free. No children please.

Feb. 23: *Kid's Membership Night*, 5 to 7 p.m. at the Officers' Club. The entire family can enjoy a free buffet that includes cake and ice cream. Children will receive a free goody bag to take home.

### Family Support Center

Monday: *Single Parent Group*, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday: *Resume 101*, 9 a.m. to noon

Wednesday: *Time Management Workshop*, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Thursday: *Federal Employment*, 9 a.m. to noon; *Welcome Walk*, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Feb. 9: *Money Management*, 8 to 11 a.m.; *Intermediate Excel*, 5 to 7:30 p.m.; *Dating and Healthy Relationships*, 3 to 4:30 p.m.

### Schilling Community Center

Saturday: *Home-based Business Show*, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Spots are available to vendors for \$15 on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Feb. 14: *Bingo*, 2 p.m. Have fun with the whole family. Games and prizes will be awarded to winners. Cards go on sale at 1 p.m.

Feb. 21: *Card and Comic Show*, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Spots are available to vendors for \$5 on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Discover classes: Visit the Schilling Community Center and sign up for one of the following Discover classes: whale watching, Shamisen, local tour, tea ceremony or tennis.

# Movies

Patrons should call Keystone Theater at 634-1869 or Butler Theater at 645-3465 to verify movie titles, showtimes and ratings.

### Keystone Theater

Tonight: 6 p.m., Cheaper by the Dozen, PG; 9 p.m., Tupac Resurrection, R

Saturday : noon, Timeline, PG-13; 4 p.m., Cheaper by the Dozen, PG; 7 p.m., Gothika, R

Sunday : noon, Cheaper by the Dozen, PG; 4 p.m., Timeline, PG-13; 7 p.m., Tupac Resurrection, R

Monday: 7 p.m., Timeline, PG-13

Tuesday: 7 p.m., Gothika, R  
Wednesday: 7 p.m., Tupac Resurrection, R

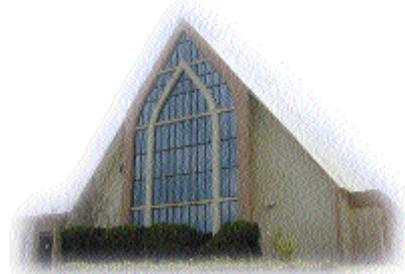
Thursday: 7 p.m., Chasing Liberty, PG-13

Feb. 6: 6 p.m., Honey, PG-13; 9 p.m., Chasing Liberty, PG-13

### Foster Theater

Today: 6 p.m., Cheaper by the Dozen, PG; 9 p.m., Tupac Resurrection, R

Saturday : 1 & 4 p.m., Chasing Liberty, PG-13; 7 p.m., Timeline, PG-13; 10 p.m., Gothika, R



# Chapel

### Catholic

Mon-Fri. : Mass, noon at Chapel 2  
Saturday : Confession, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Chapel 2; Vigil Mass, 5 p.m. at Chapel 2  
Sunday : Mass, 8:45 a.m. at Chapel 3; 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. at Chapel 1

### Protestant

Wednesday : Bible Study at 7 p.m. at Chapel 1.

Sunday : Inspirational, 8:30 a.m. at Chapel 2; Liturgical, 8:45 a.m. at Chapel 3; Evangelical, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. at Chapel 1; General Protestant, 10:30 a.m. at Chapel 3; Gospel, 10:30 a.m. at Chapel 2; Sunday school at 10:45 in Bldg. 326 and Bldg. 327

Hindu service: noon on Mondays at Chapel 1

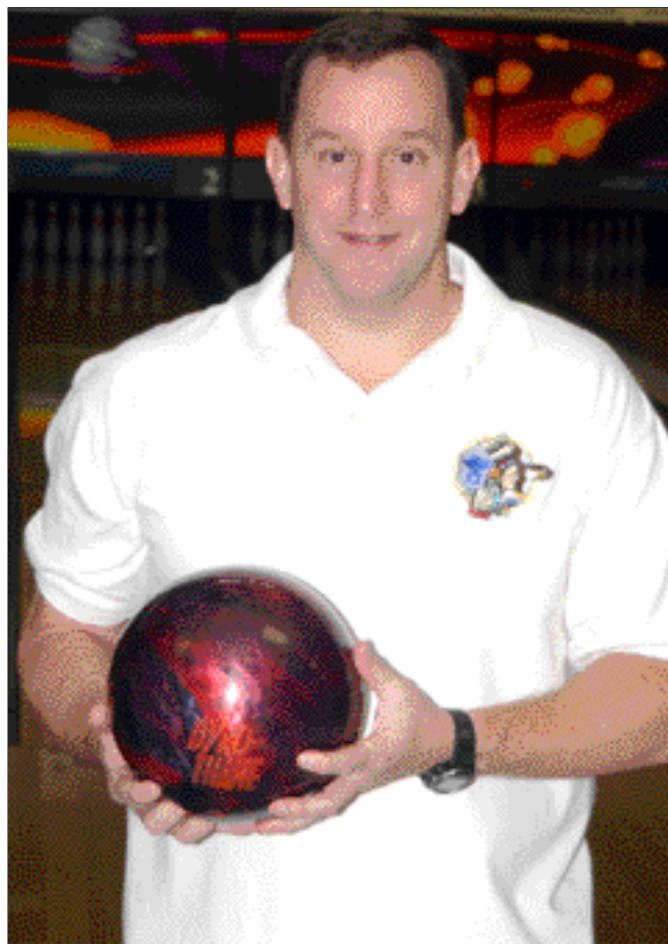
Eastern Orthodox service: call 645-7486

Jewish services: call 637-1027

Islamic services: call 636-3219

# 18th CES chief bowls perfect game at Emery Lanes

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake  
18th Wing Public Affairs



Air Force/ Senior Airman Mercedes McAlister

James Martin, a chief master sergeant with the 18th Civil Engineer Squadron, poses with the bowling ball he used to bowl a perfect 300-game at Emery Lanes last month. The bowler was the first to have a perfect game at the lanes in more than three years.

Now that he's bowled a perfect game, Martin says his next goal is to bowl a 600 series.

As a reward for such a rare occasion, Jim Nagle, Emery Lanes' bowling manager, offered Martin two prizes to choose from. One was a free bowling ball and the other was 300 free games of bowling at Emery Lanes.

Martin chose the free bowling ball.

Nobody's perfect right?

One Kadena bowler was perfect – at least during one game of bowling at Emery Lanes recently.

James Martin, a chief master sergeant with the 18th Civil Engineer Squadron, became the first league bowler to bowl a perfect 300-game in nearly three years during a Friday night game last month.

Although the 23-year veteran bowler's had bowled a few 290 games in his day, this was the first 300-game of his career.

Martin said the night started off worse than usual. In the two games leading up to the memorable game, Martin had managed to only bowl a 150 and 167 game, which is about 30 points below his average.

Going into his third game, Martin got the idea to switch his ball with another of one his five balls and change his standing position. That's when Martin's luck changed dramatically.

"After I got my eighth strike, I thought 'hey, I've got a shot doing this,'" he said.

After his tenth strike, Martin said the music inside the bowling alley went silent. When he turned around to see what was the matter, he saw an audience that had gathered at his alley.

"When the music went quiet and I saw all the people that gathered around to watch, I got nervous," he said. "Anybody who says they aren't nervous in that kind of situation is just lying. It's really a matter of how much can you control your nerves."

To loosen himself up before the final toss, Martin simply turned to the crowd and said: "Why is it so quiet in here and why aren't you all bowling?"

"I felt a lot more comfortable after that," he said.

When the last pin fell, the crowd cheered for Martin, who was then tackled by his overjoyed wife.

He said bowling the perfect game has been something he's dreamed of achieving for 23 years.

"I still can't believe it," he said. "This is a lifelong dream that's been finally achieved."

Despite reaching his lifelong goal of bowling a perfect game, Martin says he will continue blasting away at pins because the love has for the game.

"I love bowling," he said. "It's a great family atmosphere and I like the challenge of bowling a good game."

## Sport Standings

### Basketball

#### Division 1

Team	W	L
18 EMS (A)	6	1
18 CES	6	2
18 CS (A)	5	1
18 LRS (A)	5	2
18 SFS	5	2
18 CMS (A)	5	2
18 MUNS	4	2
18 SVS	3	2
18 EMS (B)	2	4
733 AMS	2	5
18 CS (B)	2	6
18 AMXS (A)	1	5

#### Division 2

Team	W	L
18 DS/AMDS	7	0
33 AMU	6	2
353 OSS	5	2
18 MDOS/MDSS	5	2
18 LRS (C)	5	3
909/961	4	3
82 RS	4	5
18 LRS (B)	3	3
390 IS	3	3
18 MOS	3	4
18 MSS	3	4
18 CMS (B)	1	7

### Racquetball

#### Division 1

Team	W	L
18 LRS (A)	1	0
18 SFS	1	0
18 CMS	0	1
733 AMS	0	1
Det. 1, 554	0	0
18 CS	0	0
18 CES	0	0
18 OSS (A)	0	0

#### Division 2

Team	W	L
18 AMXS	1	0
18 LRS (B)	0	1
18 MSS	0	1
18 OSS (B)	0	1
18 MOS	0	0
353 OSS	0	0
VP9 (A)	0	0
VP9 (B)	0	0

SOURCE: 18th Services Squadron fitness center staff  
Current as of Jan. 23

## Super Bowl Monday?

Only a few days remain before the Carolina Panthers match up against the New England Patriots in Super Bowl XXXVIII Monday at 8 a.m.

The Banyan Tree, Rocker NCO and Officers' clubs will show the game in addition to offering food, games and prizes throughout the game.

**Banyan Tree Club** - Party starts at 7 a.m. in the lounge where free breakfast will be served.

**Rocker NCO Club** - The "50-yard line party" starts at 6 a.m. in the ballroom. There will be free breakfast, prizes and giveaways throughout the event.

**Officers' Club** - Breakfast will be served at 5 a.m. There will also be door prizes - including a DVD player and TV, and giveaways throughout the game.

For more information, call the Banyan Tree Club at 634-0644; Rocker NCO Club at 634-0740; or Officers' Club at 634-FOOD.

# Kadena teams take part in MLK basketball tournament

By 2nd Lt. Crystal Smith  
18th Wing Public Affairs

Four Kadena basketball teams competed in the largest Pacific-wide tournament of the year held at Camp Foster Jan. 15-19.

The Kadena Air Base men and women's teams as well as the Kadena High School varsity boys and girls teams laced up for the 13th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Basketball tournament sponsored by Marine Corps Community Services.

Of the four teams, the Kadena High School Lady Panthers proved to be the best of competition during the MLK tournament finishing overall third in the women's division of play.

"Our team played great," said coach Kenneth Hudson.

The Lady Panthers faced six teams in 10 games in a span of five days, while only losing three times. The losses came from the defending champions, Okinawa Queens and the second place Yongsan Lady Rebels.

"We played every team in the tournament and were only defeated by the two best teams, everyone else we beat," explained coach Hudson.

"I couldn't be prouder of the girls for their accomplishments during this tournament."

Kadena High School seniors Theresa Gittens and Katie LaGrave lead the Lady Panthers as they defeated the Kadena Lady Falcons, Anderson Air Base Lady Bombers, Torii Station Matriarchs and Kubasaki Lady Dragons.

Gittens was named the best player of the tournament for the second straight year and LaGrave garnered the 3-point shootout championship for the third year in a row.

Last year's MLK champions, the Kadena Falcons varsity men's team, finished third this year with Airman 1st Class Theodore Gaines earning best play of the tournament honors.

"The results don't dictate how good we really are," said Kevel Ellies, the men's varsity basketball coach.

The Lady Falcons varsity team did not do as well as they expected.

"I thought that we could win the tournament," said coach R.B. Robinson. "I think we did good, but I think we could have done better with the talent that we have on this team."

According to coach Brian Hill, the Kadena High School Panthers gained enormous experience that should help prepare them for the annual Far East tournament coming up Feb. 16 through 21 for girls in Okinawa and for boys in Korea.

"We had one of our starters go down, so we had some kids step up and help us out a great deal," he said. "We can hopefully use what we learned during the MLK tournament and work, now until Far East, because we've got plenty to work on."

The Kadena varsity teams will go back to the basics to prepare for the Kadena Klassic basketball tournament to be hosted at the Risner Fitness Center March 12-14.