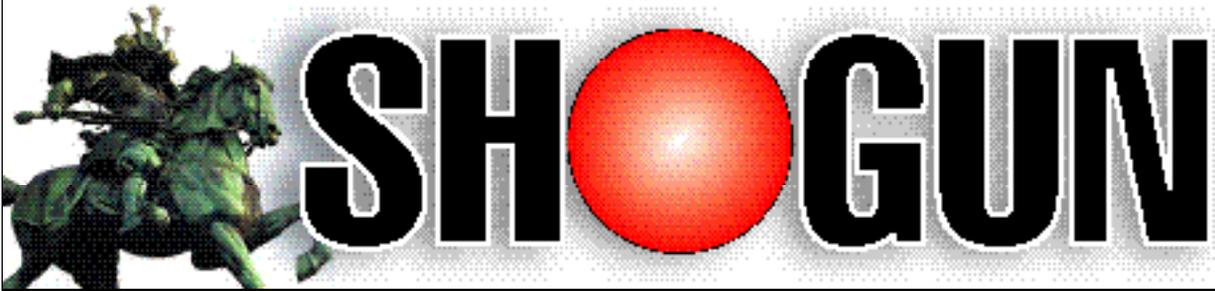


MONTHLY SORTIE GOALS

961st Airborne Air Control Squadron	112.4
Monthly flying-hour contract	106.9
Hours flown	-5.7
Monthly offset	
33rd Rescue Squadron	228.0
Monthly flying-hour contract	205.7
Hours flown	-22.3
Monthly offset	
909th Air Refueling Squadron	480.0
Monthly flying-hour contract	517.2
Hours flown	+37.2
Monthly offset	
44th Fighter Squadron	362.0
Monthly sortie contract	329.0
Sorties flown	-40
Monthly offset	
67th Fighter Squadron	365.0
Monthly sortie contract	344.0
Sorties flown	-21
Monthly offset	

Source: 18th MOS/MXOOP, as of May 26

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WEEKEND WEATHER



TODAY: Cloudy with rain showers
E winds @ 10-18 knots
High: 81 Low: 75



SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy
S/SW winds @ 10 knots
High: 84 Low: 75



SUNDAY: Cloudy
S winds @ 6-15 knots
High: 84 Low: 75

FRIDAY MORNING'S
COMMUNITYBANK
EXCHANGERATES
BUYING: \$1=\$109 SELLING: ¥115=\$1

Airmen help rural Thai preschoolers

By Master Sgt. Michael Farris
353rd Special Operations
Group Public Affairs

UDORN THANI, Thailand — More than 12 Airmen from Kadena helped a preschool near here May 19, offering supplies, building materials and a playground renovation.

Airmen from the 353rd Special Operations Group arrived at the rural school, located 30 miles south of here, at about 10 a.m. They began distributing notebooks, pencils, crayons and erasers to the 60 boys and 61 girls at the school.

Lt. Col. Joseph Hastings, mission commander, presented the school with 60,000 baht (\$1,500) on behalf of the group, to finish a new classroom that has been under construction since February 2003. The funds will also be used to purchase ceiling fans for the classroom. Money was raised for the supplies from donations of the group deployed here for Cobra Gold 04.

The Airmen also spent two hours replacing six worn and

unusable swings from a pavilion and repairing a sway-back seesaw with an industrial-grade splint.

Lakruudom Tamasuntorn, a teacher at the preschool, said the children were grateful for the help to better their school.

"The children here are happy you have come with supplies," she said. "Your generous donation will make this a better place to learn."

Colonel Hastings said he was pleased with the turnout.

"The fact that these Airmen are willing to sacrifice their day off to come help these children reflects the caliber of Airmen we have in the group," he said.

The true beneficiaries of the afternoon were the volunteers, who learned valuable lessons regarding graciousness, compassion and good will, Colonel Hastings said.

"It touched my heart," said Master Sgt. Anthony Jones, first sergeant for the 353rd Maintenance Squadron. "Our children could learn a big lesson from these kids when it comes to respect and gratitude. It's a



Air Force/ Master Sgt. Michael Farris

Tech. Sgt. Louise Arthur hands a child candy at a preschool in Udorn Thani, Thailand. Airmen from the 353rd Special Operations Group visited the school to donate supplies and improve its playground.

good feeling to bring a smile and a box of crayons to these kids who have relatively little."

Chaplain (Capt.) Kleet Barclay said the experience was humbling.

"We feel like we should do more because we have so much," he said. "Our donation pales in comparison to the fantastic hospitality the community of Udorn Thani has shown us

over the past few weeks."

Before leaving, the teachers and school administration officials presented each volunteer with a small gift to show their appreciation.

Kadena maintainer earns AF Leo Marquez award

By Capt. CK Keegan
18th Wing Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Donald Ward's job performance, efficiency and knowledge, earned him the 2003 Lieutenant General Leo Marquez award for aircraft maintenance in the supervisor manager category.

Sergeant Ward, 18th Equipment Maintenance Squadron fabrications flight superintendent, was recognized for his superior job performance during OPERATION Iraqi Freedom and as the structural maintenance section chief at Kadena. According to his citation, "Sergeant Ward's innovative approach to manufacturing has set the standard Air Force wide. With 16 approved suggestions, his ingenuity and tireless desire for improvement paid off with an annual savings of 95,000 dollars and avoided months of aircraft downtime."

He says he was excited to receive the award at the PACAF level and couldn't believe when he won the Air Force level award.

"You always think there is someone just a little bit better than you," said Sergeant Ward. "There are a lot of good people doing a lot of good things. Just to be compared to the people I have seen win these awards goes a long way for me."

During OPERATION Iraqi Free-



Air Force graphic by Capt. CK Keegan

Master Sgt. Donal Ward, 18th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, was recently awarded the Air Force's Leo Marquez for aircraft maintenance in the supervisor manager category.

dom, Sergeant Ward supervised over 60 personnel supporting 11 weapons systems and he increased aircraft availability 37 percent. Sergeant Ward also led a team which completed two F-15 wing changes at Prince Sultan Air Base, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, having the jets ready in six days and saving the Air Force \$1.8 million.

At Kadena, Sergeant Ward's innovativeness includes finding a cheaper alternative to cracks in a 12-foot long support structure, called a stringer, on

the F-15. In a three week time, seven of these stringers showed cracks and replacement would cost \$300,000 each and several weeks of downtime. Instead, they are now able to stop drill (drilling bolts on either end of the crack to stop it from getting worse), without affecting the structural integrity of the aircraft.

Sergeant Ward also developed better ways to repair canopies, avoided a costly ventilation system replacement, led an extensive C-130 wheel well repair,

supervised four cradle repairs by a Korean depot — to name just a few. In all, Sergeant Ward saved the Air Force over \$20 million last year, and his innovations will continue to mean cost savings each year.

"I could not have gotten this award without the great people in my shop," said Sergeant Ward. "When people go home from an exercise, it's my people who stay and get the aircraft mission capable and ready to fly on Monday. Aircraft maintainers work weekends and through the night. Without these people who work the long hours, you aren't going to get very far."

Sergeant Ward says he always encourages his people to think of better and faster ways of getting things done.

"We put in enough time during the week," he said. "If they come up with something better, it's a win for everyone. It's going to save them time and effort and they're putting that jet back in the air."

The award is named for retired Air Force Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez, who throughout his Air Force career, held maintainers in high regard and believed they were the key to mission accomplishment. It is presented to maintainers who demonstrate the highest degree of sustained job performance, job efficiency and results, and job knowledge.



'101 Critical Days of Summer' campaign kicks off this weekend

Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Remington
18th Wing commander

Team Kadena kicks off its annual "101 Critical Days of Summer" safety campaign this Memorial Day weekend and will continue through Labor Day weekend.

This is a period of the year of increased off-duty injuries and fatalities due to increased activity and risk taking.

Last year, the Air Force lost 36 Airmen during the "101" period in mishaps that should not have happened.

Thirty-one of the fatalities were traffic mishaps, four recreational and one on duty.

As you know, summer on Okinawa may involve many exciting but potentially risky endeavors. I am particularly concerned about activities involving motorcycles and water activity.

Since last October, we experienced two tragic water mishaps claiming four Kadena members.

Both of these incidents could have been avoided had the individuals made a proper risk assessment of the situation.

Know your abilities and don't take any unnecessary risks. Know the sea conditions and evaluate the situation. Mother nature is beautiful but unforgiving. If in doubt - stay out.

This year's campaign will focus on all personnel to ACT Responsibly. To ACT responsibly means to:

"A" - Assess the situation and evaluate the risks. Be aware of your surroundings (sea and weather conditions). Analyze what could go wrong?

What are the chances it will go wrong? Is this dangerous? Am I qualified, trained or capable to do this? Have I been drinking? Is it illegal?

"C" - Consider the options to limit the risk. What can you do about it? Is it worth the risk to do it? Do I have the correct equipment (helmet, seatbelts, gloves, eye protection). Have a designated driver? Stay out of the water. Obey the traffic laws.

"T" - Take responsible and appropriate action. Implement

ment risk controls. Get out of the water. Put on a life jacket or seatbelt. Stop the act or activity.

Call Airman Against Drunk Driving (634-2233), or get a taxi for a ride home.

The inherent risks can be minimized by properly assessing the situation and then implementing responsible action. If it's dumb, dangerous, or different - stop what you or your buddies are doing.

Being safe this summer is everyone's responsibility. Commanders, first sergeants, supervisors, unit safety representatives and you form a very impressive team dedicated to safely accomplishing the Kadena mission.

Let's use this highly successful team concept this summer to continuously remind one another of the importance of safety on- and off-duty.

Our nation is still engaged in the war on terror, and we need to be able to answer the call.

Let's all have a safe and enjoyable summer and don't do the enemy's job for him.

Don't become a statistic

Lt. Gen. Thomas Waskow
Fifth Air Force commander

I am deeply concerned about our upcoming 101 Critical Days of Summer Safety Campaign due to recent vehicular mishaps that have occurred in 5th Air Force.

Since January, each of our 5th Air Force installations has had a major vehicle accident off base that resulted in a severe injury or death. At Misawa, an Airman driving twice the legal speed limit collided with a local national victim, causing her death. At Kadena, a military member was estimated to be going 134 kph before he lost control of his vehicle and crashed - he now has severe brain injuries. At Yokota, two Airmen in separate vehicles were racing off base when one vehicle ran into a guardrail. The occupant was not wearing a seatbelt and was ejected from the car. Lucky to still be alive, he severely damaged his leg, perhaps permanently.

These mishaps were avoidable. We owe it to ourselves, as well as our gracious host nation neighbors, to act responsibly when we hit the road. This should be standard operating procedure at all times of the year whether operating a vehicle or taking part in other outdoor adventures.

To help ensure that the men and women of 5th Air Force do not become a statistic, I am asking that over the next 101 days, each of you take a few moments to assess, consider and take appropriate action.

Our focus during this period must be to raise the awareness of each and every 5th Air Force member. Together, we must make safety every Airman's number one priority. Commanders, supervisors, and peers have an obligation to help prevent accidents by being aware of what their co-workers, friends, and family members are involved in.

Each and every one of us is empowered to do things safely and properly— even when no one is watching. Take a few moments to ACT and do your part to ensure 5th Air Force remains fatality-free during the next 101 critical days.

ACTION LINES

E-mail:

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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.

Car trouble?

I have orders for a short tour to Osan, South Korea, with a follow on assignment to Kadena. It's been approved for my family to go to the follow on non-command sponsored. The orders state that we are approved base allowances for Kadena at the same rate as command-sponsored orders with the exception of base housing and "Y"-plate privileges. My problem is that she is pregnant and would also be taking care of two younger children by herself. Does she have to stop at the gate every time she wants to go to the hospital, commissary or base exchange? Is there an exception for this situation?

The Joint Vehicle Registration Office at Camp Foster will be able to issue your wife a pass for the entire length of your tour at Osan.

To get the vehicle pass she needs to show the following documents:

- Dependent ID card
- A copy of orders for the follow-on to Kadena with her name on it

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- A SOFA driver's license
- A car title with her name on it for the non-"Y" plated automobile as well as all of the vehicle's insurance paperwork.

One item to note with the orders is that they must state that the spouse is authorized to reside on Okinawa. Without this, she cannot be given a vehicle pass. Prior to going to Camp Foster, have your wife come to Kadena, Gate 1 or Gate 2, get a visitor's pass, then proceed to Pass and Registration to obtain a SOFA driver's license. (She would need a copy of her orders and her ID card.) Once she has the driver's license, she would then proceed to Camp Foster with all of the required paperwork mentioned above and they will be able to issue her a vehicle pass for the length of her spouse's remote tour in Korea - provided all insurance paperwork stays current. For more information, call the 18th Security Forces Squadron at 632-0229.

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AAFES Action Line.....645-4301
 Base Exchange.....633-4570
 Clubs.....634-3002
 Commissary.....634-3640
 Finance.....634-1996
 Fraud, Waste & Abuse Hotline.....634-0404

Home Telephone Helpline.....634-4080
 Housing Maintenance.....634-HOME
 Kadena Services.....634-1719
 Medical and Dental.....630-4785
 Safety.....634-SAFE
 Security Forces.....634-1397



SHOGUN WARRIOR OF THE WEEK



Staff Sgt. Michael Laine

18th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, crew chief

Hometown: Virginia, Minn.

Reason for nomination: Sergeant Laine recently took home the 18th AMXS and 18th Maintenance 2003 NCO of the Year awards. He also won the 18th Wing's 2003 General Leo Marquez award.

Time at Kadena: 1 year, 8 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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JUNIOR ENLISTED APPRECIATION DAY: The Kadena Top 3 will sponsor a junior enlisted appreciation function at noon today at Marek Park. For more information, call 634-2794.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE EVENTS: There will be a fashion show and dinner from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at the Rocker NCO Club Saturday. For more information, call 634-1247 or 634-3206.

ROAD TAX REMINDER: Vehicles without a 2004 road tax sticker will be cited and restricted after Tuesday.

BLOOD DRIVE: The 18th Services Squadron will host a blood drive at the Shogun Inn second floor lounge from 8 a.m. to noon Thursday. Call 632-1002 for more information.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: American Forces Network radio and television will observe one minute of silence at 3 p.m. on Memorial Day.

CHANGES OF COMMAND: Lt. Col. Walter Schenberger will assume command of the 17th Special Operations Squadron from Lt. Col. Lewis Jordan at 10:17 a.m. June 4 at the 353rd Special Operations Group maintenance hangar.

• Lt. Col. David Williamsen will assume command of the 18th Contracting Squadron from Lt. Col. Bryan Scott at 8:18 a.m. June 17 at

Okinawan Perspective: Week in Review

By 1st Lt. Chrystal Smith
18th Wing Public Affairs

The following is a synopsis of articles about Kadena and U.S. military that appeared in the local published newspapers Okinawa Times and the Ryukyu Shimpo between May 19 and 25.

□ The concentrated showers we received recently and the conservation efforts contributed to a slow rise in the reservoir level. The level was reported at 52.8% of the total 74,850,000 tons as of midnight May 24.

□ The ongoing discussions by Okinawa officials asking that all Y-plated vehicles have parking registration or garage certificate has picked up in intensity. Japanese government officials have consulted with U.S. representatives to ensure U.S. military representatives are

taking proper measures, and discussions are taking place within the Japan-U.S. Joint Committee's Special Sub-Committee to review Japan-U.S. Joint Committee's agreements as well as other bilateral consultations.

□ Amid the discussion of the garage certificates (reported in Stars and Stripes), Air Force Col. Victor Warzinski, a U.S. Forces Japan spokesman, said he hopes the issue is resolved without causing friction between alliance members.

□ Yara Kindergarten and Yara Elementary Schools in Kadena Town conducted evacuation training which simulated a U.S. military aircraft crash May 21. The training was based on past accidents involving U.S. military aircraft and is conducted at the school each year.

the Officers' Club.

MEDICAL GROUP MINIMAL MANNING: The 18th Medical Group will have minimal manning June 4 due to an official function. Service for urgent conditions will still be available during normal duty hours. For emergency assistance, call 911 on base, or 119 off base.

NCO ENHANCEMENT SEMINAR: There will be an NCO enhancement seminar June 8-10 at Building 3445. Staff and technical sergeants who have not attended professional military education in the past two years are invited to attend. For more information, call 634-3337 or 632-7829.

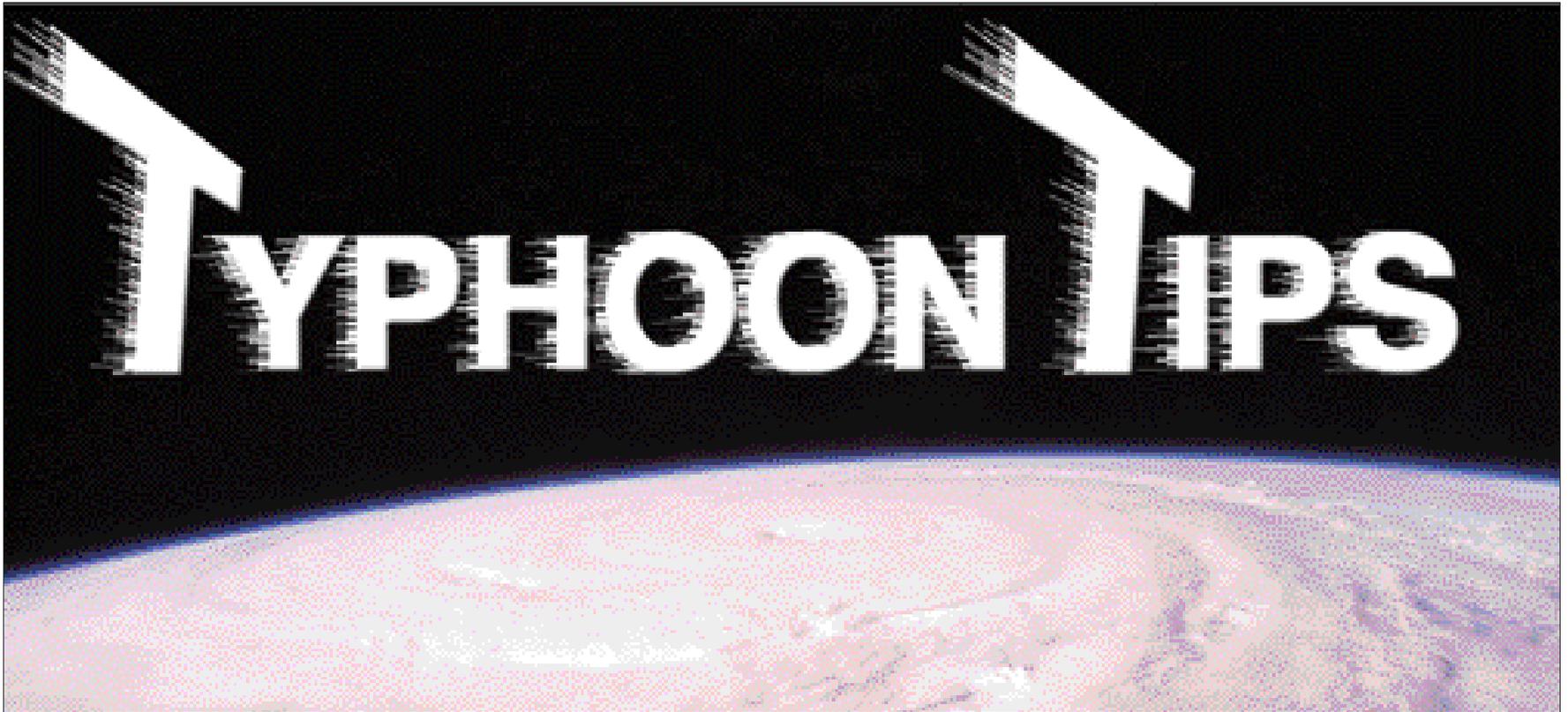
INTERPRETERS NEEDED: Japanese-English interpreters are need for the

2004 Special Olympic Games held at the Kadena High School June 12. To volunteer, call 634-3911 or 630-9188.

OPERATION KUDOS: Operation Kids Understanding Deployment Operations kicks off June 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Children ages five to 15 are invited to learn how their parents gear up for military deployments through hands-on experience. Sign up at the Schilling Community Center from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. June 5 or the Family Support Center June 7 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 634-3366.

MOTORCYCLE REQUIREMENTS: All motorcycle and scooter operators and passengers are required to wear international orange or lime green reflective vests during the day. The vest must have 138 square inches of reflective material and cannot be covered by a backpack or other items. Also, as a reminder, Airman with motorcycles and scooters must attend motorcycle safety training every three years.

NO TESTS: The base training and education center will not administer CLEP, DANTES or EXCELSIOR tests in July. Other tests will be administered. Students can call Camp Foster's education center at 645-3944 or Torii Station at 644-4390 to schedule testing.



Typhoon Winnie, pictured here in satellite photography, hit Okinawa in August 1997. Winnie's wind speeds reached 140 knots (158 mph). Typhoon season officially runs from June 1 until November 30.

File photo

Be prepared to take action during various TCCOR conditions

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake
18th Wing Public Affairs

Although June 1 marks the official start of typhoon season, that didn't stop a near-miss with Typhoon Nida last week. This reminds everyone that Mother Nature does not follow any particular schedule, so everyone should always be prepared for the worst.

Super Typhoons Saomai and Bart struck Kadena in recent years and caused millions of dollars in damage. Because the base is located in what is known as "Typhoon Alley," residents can expect more typhoons like these in the future. People here should be aware of the different typhoon conditions and the steps to take as a typhoon nears the island.

The exact time when storms will strike is unknown, but weather experts, including the Joint Typhoon Warning Center in Hawaii and the Kadena weather flight, track typhoons and keep the military community on Okinawa advised using the Tropical Cyclone Conditions of Readiness.

Each TCCOR condition requires Kadena people, at home and on the job, to take certain precautionary steps in preparation for a storm. These steps are designed to enhance safety for everyone.

The following are the TCCOR conditions and their respective measures:

TCCOR 4

Hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 72 hours. As a precautionary measure, Okinawa remains in TCCOR 4 from June to November.

- Stock up on food and typhoon supplies.

TCCOR 3

Hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater are possible within 48 hours.

- Inventory all supplies.
 - Prepare and fill water containers.
 - Select the most centralized room in the house for a living area during the storm.
 - Fill gas tanks of privately owned vehicles in case evacuation or relocation becomes necessary.
 - Pre-position emergency rations and supplies.
 - Remove all loose items outside and secure them.
- Civil engineers usually travel throughout the base to ensure items, such as playground equipment, are put

away or secured, but this requires cooperation from base residents.

TCCOR 2

Hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater are anticipated within 24 hours.

- Continue to monitor progress of the storm.
- Ensure you have enough money, in dollars and yen, in case evacuation is required.
- Locate all utility shut-off points and prepare for immediate shut-off if necessary.
- Re-check outside areas for loose items. Housing residents are responsible for securing their quarters and all items outside the home. Some of these items include: outdoor toys, barbecue grills, trash cans, etc. Residents in the towers also need to bring items from the balconies inside.

TCCOR 1

Hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater are anticipated within 12 hours.

- Fill bathtub with water for sanitation needs and for firefighting during the storm.
- Minimize opening freezers and refrigerators to retain cooling in case of power loss.
- Move high-value items to a central point in quarters to prevent damage.
- Check emergency lights and flashlights.
- Limit outside activities.
- Continue to monitor progress of storm.
- If a fire hazard exists or power fails, turn off electricity, water and gas until power returns.
- No school for Department of Defense Dependent Schools. Children will return home or remain at home.
- Refuse collection services are terminated. Occupants must secure their own garbage, trash cans and bulk items until the "All Clear" announcement is made.

TCCOR 1 Caution

Hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater are anticipated within 12 hours. Actual winds of 34 to 49 knots are occurring.

- All non-mission-essential people will be released.
- Discontinue all outdoor activities except those in direct support of urgent military missions.
- All non-mission-essential functions will close.

- Department of Defense Dependent Schools remain closed.

- Secure all doors and windows.

TCCOR 1 Emergency

Actual winds of 50 knots or greater are occurring.

- All outside activities are prohibited. Restrict outdoor movement to life-saving response actions. Only mission-essential people with typhoon passes are allowed to travel through the base.

- Get flashlights ready in case of power failure. Stay tuned to American Forces Network radio and television channels.

TCCOR 1 Recovery

The base is no longer experiencing hazardous winds of 50 knots or greater. Actual winds are no more than 34 to 49 knots. Widespread damage and hazards may still exist.

- Non-essential functions remain closed.
- All non-mission-essential people remain in their quarters.
- DoDDS schools remain closed.
- Make a list of all items that were needed and forgot so they will be available for the next time.

Storm Watch

The base is still experiencing the effects of the typhoon. Hazardous conditions may still exist due to storm damage.

- Unit commanders will predesignate a damage assessment team to return to work immediately upon declaration of Storm Watch. Damage assessment teams will survey their work areas and report damage and hazards to the Civil Engineer Consolidated Control Center.
- Everyone will return to work within two hours from the time Storm Watch is declared.
- No school for DoDDS students, but teachers and staff will return to work during normal work hours.

All Clear

All clear is announced when hazards are cleared. DoDDS teachers, staff and students will return to school during normal hours.

BRAVA '04

GAMBODIA

Part 1 of 3-week series



Air Force/ Master Sgt. Adam Johnston

Tech. Sgt. Bryan Gray hands out mosquito nets to a Cham-Muslim woman in a village near Kep, Cambodia May 20. Sergeant Gray, of Kadena's 18th Medical Support Squadron, is part of a 20-member blast resuscitation and victim assistance team on a two-week humanitarian mission. The team passed out 1,000 mosquito nets to cut down on malaria.

Medics distribute mosquito nets in Cambodia

By Master Sgt. Adam Johnston
18th Wing Public Affairs

KEP, Cambodia — Tech. Sgt. Bryan Gray spent the morning of May 20 handing out 300 mosquito nets to three Cham-Muslim villages near here, something he said is extremely rewarding.

"To help poor people by giving them something that will help them from getting sick is rewarding. Especially since there is no medical care available for many of them," said Sergeant Gray, a biomedical equipment repair technician with the 18th Medical Support Squadron at Kadena.

Sergeant Gray is here until May 28 as part of a 20-person blast resuscitation and victim assistance team on a humanitarian medical mission.

The nets are used to help stop the spread of malaria and occasional outbreaks of Dengue fever, said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Sid Brevard, medical director for the team.

"Malaria is an ongoing problem in this part of the world," Dr. Brevard said. "About 98 percent of the people live in open houses where mosquitoes fly in and out. The mosquito nets are vital to protect families and children from mosquitoes."

This is the fourth humanitarian mission of its type in Cambodia. U.S. military medics have also done similar work in Sri Lanka and Vietnam.

"We've been to some very remote parts of the world and passed out netting, and it's amazing to see the faces when you give something as simple as bed nets," Dr. Brevard said. "It's a very easy way to show our support in this part of the world."

This year, U.S. Pacific Command officials

spent \$127,000 on about 57,000 nets, said Army Maj. Marc Harrelson, chief of the office of defense cooperation with the U.S. Embassy in Phnom Phen, Cambodia. Major Harrelson said the treated mosquito net program for malaria prevention began in 2000.

"Since 2000 (more than) \$500,000 has been spent on the program," he said.

The idea behind the net donations is simple, said Lt. Col. Diep Duong, the team's leader.

"We usually try to hand out the nets under a one-net-per-family concept," she said. "Handing out nets is a preventive public-health measure that is low cost and culturally acceptable, and something they are more likely to use. It's also a very cost-effective way to help out in this part of the world. The nets cost about \$2 or \$3 [each] which is about 10 percent of their monthly income."

The nets are being distributed to three groups here: former Khmer Rouge, Khmer and Cham-Muslim.

As he was handing out nets under sweltering heat conditions, Sergeant Gray said he met one boy in a Cham-Muslim village who spoke English.

"He said, 'Speak slowly please,'" Sergeant Gray said.

While the two talked, Sergeant Gray asked him how he learned English, and the boy said he learned at school.

"I like to see the kids going to school," Sergeant Gray said.

As he turned to leave the village, the boy who spoke English looked up at Sergeant Gray and said, "Thank you."

Medics treat more than 620 in Cambodia

by Master Sgt. Adam Johnston
18th Wing Public Affairs

KEP, Cambodia — U.S. military medics have treated more than 620 patients and have scheduled 100 surgeries in a small hospital complex in Cambodia since May 17.

"Ten hours after the mission started, the surgery schedule was fully booked with 100 cases," said Lt. Col. Diep Duong, team leader for a 20-member blast resuscitation and victim assistance mission that has been in Cambodia for a week.

"We're seeing about 150 patients a day, and we're doing about nine surgeries a day," Colonel Duong said.

The colonel said the majority of the patients the team has seen are people with burn injuries, thyroid problems and hernias.

"The majority of surgeries happening here are procedures to restore functions in limbs or to relieve pain," she said. Surgeons are also fixing cleft palates and lips to help children eat and swallow normally.

One woman the team is treating suffers from burns to more than 40 percent of her body. She received the burns in a propane gas explosion about a month ago.

"If we weren't here she would've died," said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Jim Walter, an emergency medicine physician with the Virginia Air National Guard's 149th Fighter Squadron in Sandston, Va. "There was nothing available for her. She has no money and she can't travel. If we would have arrived a week later she wouldn't be here."

Capt. (Dr.) Jason Rosenberg, a reconstructive plastic surgeon, said the burned woman will have scarring and some loss of function with her hand but he is sure she will live through it.

"If she had the therapy we have in the states she certainly would do a lot better," Dr. Rosenberg said.

Working in Cambodia is refreshing for both doctors.

"I feel really fortunate to be able to have the opportunity to help folks because it makes me appreciate where we are and where we live," Dr. Rosenberg said.

Dr. Walter said the work he is doing is why he became a doctor.

"This is true medicine," he said. "Although you stay here for 16 hours a day, the work is tiring, but it makes you realize why you became a doctor. That's something you sometimes forget in the states."



Air Force/ Master Sgt. Adam Johnston
Capt. (Dr.) Jason Rosenberg, Lt. Col. (Dr.) Jim Walter and Master Sgt. Kristopher Krenzke bandage a burn patient's leg May 20.

Wolfowitz: next 18 months in Iraq 'critical'

By Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON - The U.S. government is taking steps to be ready for the transition of sovereignty to Iraq on June 30, government officials told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee May 18.

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz and Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage said their departments are doing what they can to prepare for life after the Coalition Provisional Authority goes away.

Secretary Armitage said the coalition has all the authority it needs to continue operating in Iraq under U.N. Security Council Resolution 1511. Still, he said, the United States wants to move as rapidly as possible in getting a new U.N. Security Council Resolution regarding Iraq.

He said U.S. diplomats have met with Security Council countries and other allies and have taken their concerns under consideration. Many countries have indicated they would participate in a U.N.-sponsored force in Iraq. The United States "does not have a piece of paper to put forward," Armitage said. Instead America will await the outcome of U.N. special envoy Lakhdar Brahimi's consultations in Iraq before submitting a proposed new resolution. Brahimi is the U.N. secretary-general's special advisor for Iraq.

Armitage said newly confirmed U.S. Ambassador to Iraq John Negroponte will not report to Baghdad for some time after June 30. He said this is to signal that Ambassador Negroponte is not Coalition Administrator Paul Bremer's successor, and that his posting is the beginning of a new relationship between sovereign countries. "We want to make clear occupation is over and sovereignty belongs to Iraqis," Armitage said.

Ambassador Negroponte's absence does not mean the State Department will not have strong leadership at the new "super embassy" in Baghdad, Secretary Armitage said. Jim Jeffries has been named the embassy's deputy chief of mission. He is a decorated Vietnam War combat veteran. Armitage said Jeffries "not only talks the talk, but has walked the walk,"



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Christina Rumsey

Airman 1st Class Joseph Lloyd, 407th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron explosive ordnance team, provides protection for a returning convoy from Kuwait City atop a HMMWV near Talil Air Base, Iraq, May 14.

and that he will be able to relate and communicate with coalition military leaders.

Secretary Armitage stressed that the process really has already started. Eleven of the 25 Iraqi ministries are autonomous right now, with two more joining those ranks this week. "That means their ministers make all the decisions, prepare the budgets, are responsible for the programs, etc.," he said.

Secretary Wolfowitz told the senators that U.S. service members have accomplished amazing things already in Iraq. He said that as the coalition prepares to return sovereignty, the military work is not done. "The enemy that was defeated in major combat a

year ago continues to sow death and destruction in the effort to prevent the emergence of a new Iraq," Secretary Wolfowitz said. "They and their terrorist allies from inside and outside Iraq understand that real defeat for them will come when Iraqis achieve the ability to govern themselves in freedom and to provide for the security of their own country."

The secretary said the enemy realizes the next 18 months will be so critical to them "because that is the time it will take to stand up Iraqi security forces that are fully trained, equipped and organized." That is also when Iraqis will elect a representative Iraqi government after 40 years of tyranny and abuse, he said.

Berg murder suspects detained

By Gerry J. Gilmore
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON - Coalition forces captured four individuals suspected of involvement in the murder of American contractor Nicholas Berg during a May 19 raid in Baghdad, a senior U.S. military spokesman noted today.

Two detainees have been released, while the others remain in coalition custody. Army Brig. Gen. Mark Kimmitt, deputy operations director for Multinational Force Iraq, told reporters at a Baghdad press conference.

Mr. Berg, who had been in Iraq seeking work, was reported missing in early April.

The American's murder by his captors was depicted on videotape that was broadcast over regional Arab media.

Turning to other matters, the general discredited a recent news report that accuses the U.S. military of continued incidences of torture and abuse of detainees in Iraq.

USO is sweet place in deployment travels

by Master Sgt. Karen Pettitt
Air Force Communications Agency
Public Affairs

BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, Md. — After checking in three 70-pound bags with my own version of makeshift wheels and working up no small sweat doing so, and avoiding whacks into my eyeballs from bungee cords gone awry, I was happy to find blessed relief in yet another USO center on my journey to Baghdad.

Near Air Mobility Command's airline counter here were two USO volunteers happily handing out gift bags filled with cookies, phone cards and toothbrushes and directing us soon-to-be weary travelers toward the USO haven.

It's a place where those of us traveling can have one last piece of home before we leave for the desert and tent living. A mother is saying goodbye to her Army daughter as they drink coffee and chat at a table, while 40 others focus on "Master and Commander," the movie playing on the big TV. A Naval officer is reading next to his open bag of Tagalong peanut butter cookies, and a few others are taking advantage of the computers and available internet.

The USO volunteers twist my arm to take a box of Girl Scout cookies — Thin Mints, my favorite — I'm sensing a theme here. They have 26 boxes filled with the cookies donated from Girl Scout Troops in the New England area. I grab an orange for the time when I will start my desert deployment diet, and then I read some cards from those Girl Scouts:

"Oh say can you see ... these cookies! Eat them."

"Dear Sweet Soldier, I hope you enjoy these cookies"

"Good Luck on the battlefield. Please write back ... but not in cursive. I'm not that good at reading grown up cursive. It confuses me a lot."

Earlier in the travel day I spent some time at the USO at St. Louis' Lambert airport and visited with some of the dear old ladies who greeted each person with a smile and who were only too eager to offer words of support along with a ... cookie.

There was Julia Fiorito, a volunteer since 1987, a veteran of the service without a uniform. That's because her two husbands, four brothers and two sons were military. She supported them then and has since supported some of the more than two million troops and their families who have visited the USO there since 1981.

She said she likes to volunteer because the "people make it special." Her friend, Joanne Cable, has volunteered regularly since February, and said she likes to make the young troops feel like they're her own. "I want parents to know we're taking care of the young men and women." She gave me an impromptu tour of the facilities — the nursery area for families and the "sleep zone" for those late nighters. "We even have a wake up service," she boasted.

Vivian Bristol, a volunteer since the St. Louis USO opened in 1981, said she feels like she's doing some good. I'll tell you, Vivian, you are. I sat on this cozy sofa next to my husband as we prepared to say our goodbyes. Even though the news on the TV there came streaming in with updates on the prisoner scandal and more American bodies being found, your faith and support of our mission gave me a boost.

A group of six guys are now gathered around a table to play Spades as another 50 or so folks have checked in at BWI's USO before we take off. I'll grab one last box of Thin Mints for the road and say one last thank you to the USO volunteers and to all those who have donated the goodies I've gathered along this journey. You have made it a sweet place to be.

Three Airman participate in dog-sled expedition

By 1st Lt. Jeremy Eggers
821st Air Base Group Public Affairs

THULE AIR BASE, Greenland — It is one thing to appreciate the hardened life of the Inuit; it is another to actually live it. Three tenderfoot Airmen, 1st Lt. Lance Brenneke, Tech. Sgt. Dan Rea and Staff Sgt. Chris Knabe, got a taste of arctic frontier life while on a six-day dog-sledding expedition from Qaanaaq to Siorapaluk recently.

Mogens Morgen, a fellow tenderfoot, and Dane, visiting here as a research project consultant, organized the expedition with the goal of showing a group of Americans how the Inuit live.

Initially, the trip was going to begin at Thule; however, because of poor sea ice conditions, the foursome flew north to Qaanaaq to meet up with four seasoned hunter guides: Otto, Thomas, Peter and Christian.

"I had no idea what to expect," Sergeant Knabe said.

The tenderfoots said they wondered about what they would eat, where they would sleep, and would there be other people out there.

Language barriers compounded the uncertainty. The hunters only spoke a few words of English, and only one hunter spoke a little bit of Danish. None of the four travelers spoke Greenlandic, and only Mr. Morgen spoke both Danish and English. With few words exchanged and few curiosities answered, each "city slicker" paired up with a hunter and dog sled and set off traversing the vast expanse of sea ice blanketing the waters of Baffin Bay.

They traveled in a peaceful calm through the still frozenness. The only sound came from the skids gliding over the snow and ice, and the panting of the dogs. The clear air exposed miles of Greenland.

Lieutenant Brenneke kept track of waypoints using a handheld Global Positioning System unit.



Air Force/ Tech. Sgt. Dan Rea

GREENLAND — Otto (left) and 1st Lt. Lance Brenneke head toward home after a six-day dog-sledding expedition in northwest Greenland. Otto is a Greenlandic hunter, and Lieutenant Brenneke is assigned to the 821st Support Squadron at Thule Air Base, Greenland.

"Average speed was about 5 to 6 mph," Brenneke said of the 10 dogs pulling nearly 400 pounds through the snow.

During the adventure, the travelers ate a variety of dehydrated foods plus more traditional Inuit food such as seal, walrus and dried fish. They melted ice for water and stored it in thermoses. With no showers available, the Airmen used baby wipes to "freshen up."

The first night on the ice, the Inuit set up camp by first creating a platform with their dog sleds and then erecting a tent around it. The tenderfoots opted to set up a modern tent, "tested to minus 40-degrees Fahrenheit," on the ice.

"That first night was cold," Sergeant Rea said. "The hunters were in their tent laughing and having a good time. We were in ours, freezing."

The group learned an important lesson that first night: Trust the time-tested way of the Inuit. They also learned to let go of their rigidly scheduled lives in

favor of "nature's schedule."

There is no concept of time on the ice, Sergeant Knabe said. The group traveled by the light of the midnight sun, set up camp, ate dinner together, went to sleep around 2 a.m. and woke up around 9 or 10 a.m. each day.

On the second day, the tenderfoots realized how dog sleds are key to keeping transportation lines open among the northern towns, which otherwise have no connecting roads. The group traveled to Siorapaluk, one of the world's northernmost civilian communities, where they were mobbed by about a dozen school children.

"They were cheerful and curious," Sergeant Knabe said. "I think I gave a dozen piggyback rides that day. The teacher tried to round the kids up a couple of times, but finally gave up and let the kids play."

After a few hours in Siorapaluk, the group traveled toward the sea ice. They set up camp; this time, the tenderfoots

abandoned their modern tent in favor of staying in the Inuit tents.

"It was so much warmer," Lieutenant Brenneke said. "The sleds keep you off of the ice, and pelts laid out on top of the sleds act as cushioning and extra insulation."

The next day, the four experienced all the work and challenges faced during a hunting expedition. In summer, hunters can launch their boats from land directly into the open water to fish or hunt; however, winter's cold creates miles of sea ice separating land from open water. Dog sleds are a necessary tool for hunters to traverse the ice and close the distance between land and open water. In short, dog sleds help put food on the table.

Once they reached the ice's edge, the hunter's used boats moored there between Siorapaluk and the open water. Anyone in the community can use the boats, which left the tenderfoots appreciating the sense of trust and teamwork that exists among the Inuit.

Using their dog sleds, the hunters pulled a boat to the ice's edge and then set out on the labyrinth of broken-up coastal sea ice to hunt seals; the tenderfoots shadowed their Inuit guides. By day's end, the hunters claimed three seals.

On the journey back to Qaanaaq, they returned to Siorapaluk, where they were once again mobbed by the children.

"I taught one of the kids a handshake the first time we went through the town," Sergeant Knabe said. "When we arrived again, that same kid came up to me and remembered that handshake."

After six days of living on the ice, the four tenderfoots reflected on their experience with a fond appreciation of the culture they were immersed in.

"I'll probably never have a chance to do something like this again," Sergeant Knabe said. "Hunting the seals and seeing the children in Siorapaluk were the highlights for me. I'll remember this trip for the rest of my life."

MyPay PINs now sent through e-mail

ARLINGTON, Va. — Defense Finance and Accounting Service officials announced May 12 that Airmen can receive personal identification numbers for myPay through their official Air Force e-mail accounts.

Airmen can expect to receive a new or updated PIN within two hours of requesting it on the myPay Web site.

The e-mail PIN delivery process is a simpler, faster alternative to the direct mail and in-person request methods previously available, DFAS officials said. This capability is especially timely as more people are realizing the benefits of accessing myPay from remote and deployed sites.

Customers can view, print and save leave and earnings statements, make adjustments to federal and state tax withholdings, update bank account and electronic transfers and change address information, all online at <https://mypay.dfas.mil>.

The Web site is available to all servicemembers, military retirees and annuitants, and Departments of Defense and Energy civilian employees.

AF commercials begin filming

By Staff Sgt. Melanie Streeter
Air Force Print News

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Air Force officials want potential recruits to know "we've been waiting for you."

That is the message of four new commercials under production at various locations in California.

In filming May 19, three Airmen from Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif., floated for seven hours with the aid of cable rigging in a simulated orbital vehicle to complete about 15 seconds of one commercial.

"It's been great," said Capt. Ryan Hall, the chief of space-based infrared systems highly elliptical Earth-orbit integration and testing. "It's really neat to see how a Hollywood production works."

Captain Hall said he liked the concept of the advertisements also.

"They give the sense that there are different things to do in the Air Force other than flying airplanes," he said. "It shows a broader view of



Air Force/ Tech. Sgt. Dan Rea

HOLLYWOOD — Capt. Ryan Hall floats through a scene during filming of a new Air Force television commercial at Universal Studios May 19.

the different careers available."

Showing the diversity of Air Force careers was what the creative team that designed the ads had in mind, the co-writer of one commercial said.

"Part of the 'we've been waiting for you' campaign is to show there

are a huge variety of opportunities, no matter what your interest or talent," said Dolores Stark of the commercial production company.

More filming took place May 25 to 27 at Edwards AFB, Calif. The commercials are scheduled to air on television in the fall.

TODAY

- ▲ **VA SEMINAR:** Class meets from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **CHECKBOOK MANAGEMENT:** Class meets from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **GROUPTENNIS LESSONS:** Classes run every hour between 9-11 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. at the Kadena Tennis Center. Call 634-3157 to register.
- ▲ **FINEFASHION JEWELRY:** Shop from a selection of vintage pendants on leather and organza in addition to children's jewelry, freshwater pearls, necklaces and more at the Schilling Community Center. Call 634-1387 for more information.

SATURDAY

- ▲ **OVERNIGHT LOCK-IN:** Skoshi Bowl will host an overnight lock-in for children ages six to 12 beginning at 8 p.m. Cost is \$20 per child.
- ▲ **EXPOPARK TOUR:** Showtime is 9 a.m. at Kadena Information, Tickets and Travel. Cost is \$32 for adults, \$27 for students ages 16-18, \$27 for students ages six to 15 and \$5 for children under six. Call 634-4322 for more information.

SUNDAY

- ▲ **POWER BOAT SAFETY COURSE:** Kadena Marina holds boating classes every Sunday at 9 a.m. Call 634-6344 for details.
- ▲ **FAMILY DAY:** Family Day at Emery Lanes begins at 8 a.m. Games are \$1 per person, per family.
- ▲ **RENT-A-LANE:** Five bowlers can rent a lane for \$15 and bowl from 8 to 11 a.m.
- ▲ **FAMILY KARAOKE:** Begins at 5 p.m. at the Schilling Community Center.
- ▲ **OKINAWAWORLD TOUR:** Showtime is 9 a.m. at Kadena Information, Tickets and Travel. Cost is \$29 for adults, \$17 for children ages five to 15 and \$5 for children under five. Call 634-4322 for more information.

MONDAY

- ▲ **DATING ANDHEALTHYRELATION SHIPS:** Class meets from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **FAMILY DAY:** Family Day at Emery Lanes begins at 6 p.m. Games are \$1 per person per family.

TUESDAY

- ▲ **RESUME 101:** Class meets from 9 a.m. to noon at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

THURSDAY

- ▲ **FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT:** Class meets from 9 a.m. to noon at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **WELCOME WALK:** Meets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the USO. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 5

- ▲ **HEARTS APART YELLOW RIBBON TOUR:** Meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning at Kadena Information, Tickets and Tours. Spouses of deployed members are invited to this free tour to various Okinawan sites. Call 634-4322 to register.
- ▲ **TEENHEALTH FAIR:** Meets from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Teen Center Millenium. Representatives from Kadena's clinic will talk about pregnancy, obesity, drug awareness and more. Call 634-3866 to register.
- ▲ **BATTLE OF THE BANDS & CHILI COOKOFF:** Begins at noon in the Rocker NCO Club parking lot.

JUNE 6

- ▲ **POWER BOAT SAFETY COURSE:** Kadena Marina holds boating classes every

- Sunday at 9 a.m. Call 634-6344 for details.
- ▲ **YUI MONORAIL/KOKUSAI STREET TOUR:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Take a ride on Naha City's monorail and shop on Kokusai Street. Cost is \$18 for adults, \$12 for children ages six to 12 and \$5 for children under age six. Call 634-4322 to register.
- ▲ **KIMONOSHOPPING TOUR:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Look for traditional Japanese kimonos and experience a tea ceremony. Cost is \$15 for adults, \$10 for children ages six to 12 and \$5 for children under six. Call 634-4322 to register.

JUNE 7

- ▲ **MONEY MANAGEMENT:** Class meets from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **SINGLEPARENT GROUP:** Class meets from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 10

- ▲ **TEA CEREMONY:** Class meets from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **KIDSONTHE MOVE:** Meets from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **UNDERSTANDINGMUTUALFUNDS:** Class meets from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 11

- ▲ **BRUSH WRITING:** Class meets from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **COMEDY SHOWCASE:** Begins at 10 p.m. at the Banyan Tree Club. Call 634-0644 for more information.

JUNE 12

- ▲ **GIVEPARENTS A BREAK:** Meets from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **BATTLEOF OKINAWA:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Take a historical tour around Okinawa reliving the Battle of Okinawa. Cost is \$28 for adults, \$19 for children ages six to 12, \$11 for children ages four and five and \$5 for children under age four. Call 634-4322 to register.
- ▲ **OCEAN OBSERVATORY TOUR:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Explore the sea below at the Busena Resort Hotel. Cost is \$30 for adults, \$16 for students ages 16-18, \$17 for students ages four to 15 and \$5 for children under age six. Call 634-4322 to register.

JUNE 13

- ▲ **POWER BOAT SAFETY COURSE:** Kadena Marina holds boating classes every Sunday at 9 a.m. Call 634-6344 for details.
- ▲ **SHURICASTLE & SHIKINA-EN:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Learn about the Sho Dynasty through visits to Shuri Castle, Shikina-En and Enkakuji Temple. Cost is \$26 for adults, \$15 for students age seven to 15 and \$5 for children under age seven. Call 634-4322 to register.
- ▲ **OKINAWAN FOLK TALES:** Begins at 9 a.m. at KITT. Learn more about Okinawa's urban legends through visits to mysterious sites. Cost is \$18 for adults, \$15 for students age seven to 15 and \$5 for children under age seven. Call 634-4322 to register.

JUNE 14

- ▲ **TRANSITIONASSISTANCESEMINAR (PART 1 of 4):** Class meets from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **MONEYONTHE BOOKSHELF (PART 1 of 2):** Class meets from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 15

- ▲ **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE SEMINAR (PART 2 of 4):** Class meets from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 16

- ▲ **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE SEMINAR (PART 3 of 4):** Class meets from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE17

- ▲ **TRANSITION ASSISTANCE SEMINAR (PART 4 of 4):** Class meets from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **WELCOME WALK:** Class meets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **SLEEP TIGHT AT NIGHT INVESTING:** Class meets from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE18

- ▲ **CITIZENSHIP CLASS:** Class meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the

Pops and Popcorn



Tech. Sgt. Chris VanAckem reads to his son and other Bob Hope Primary School first graders during Pops and Popcorn Day at the school May 21. Sergeant VanAckem was one of four volunteers to visit the school and read to students.

Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.

JUNE 19

- ▲ **FRIENDSOF THE FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER BAZAAR:** Meets from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Falcon Fitness Center. Call 634-3366 for more information.
- ▲ **OPERATIONKIDSUNDERSTANDING DEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS:** Meets from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Children ages five to 15 are invited to learn how their parents gear up for military deployments firsthand. For more information, call 634-3366.

JUNE 20

- ▲ **POWER BOAT SAFETY COURSE:** Kadena Marina holds boating classes every Sunday at 9 a.m. Call 634-6344 for details.
- ▲ **FRIENDSOF THE FAMILY SUPPORT**

CENTER BAZAAR: Meets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Falcon Fitness Center. Call 634-3366 for more information.

JUNE 21

- ▲ **MONEY ON THE BOOK - SHELF (PART 2 of 2):** Meets from 5 to 6 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 for more information.

JUNE 22

- ▲ **BUNDLES FOR BABIES:** Meets from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the Family Support Center. Call 634-3366 to register.
- ▲ **SMOOTH MOVE WORK - SHOP:** Meets from 9 a.m. to noon at the Rocker NCO Club. Call 634-3366 for more information.

C H A P E L

Catholic

- ▲ Monday through Friday : Mass, Chapel 2, noon.
- ▲ Saturday : Confession, Chapel 2, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass, Chapel 2, 5 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday : Mass, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m. Mass, Chapel 3, 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Protestant

- ▲ Wednesday : Bible Study, Chapel 1, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday : Inspirational, Chapel 2, 8:30 a.m. Liturgical, Chapel 3, 8:45 a.m. Evangelical, Chapel 1, 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. General Protestant, Chapel 2, 10:30 a.m. Gospel, Chapel 3, 10:30 a.m. Sunday school, Bldg. 326 and Bldg. 327, 10:45 a.m.
- ▲ Hindu service: Mondays, Chapel 1, noon.
- ▲ Eastern Orthodox service: call 645-7486
- ▲ Jewish services: call 637-1027
- ▲ Islamic services: call 636-3219

M O V I E S

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

Keystone Theater

- ▲ Tonight: Laws of Attraction, PG-13, 6 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 9 p.m.
- ▲ Saturday : Scooby Doo 2, PG, noon. Law of Attraction, PG-13, 4 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday : Scooby Doo 2, PG, noon. Law of Attraction, PG-13, 4 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Monday: Scooby Doo 2, PG, 7 p.m. Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless, R, 4 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Tuesday: The Passion of the Christ, R, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Wednesday: Scooby Doo 2, PG, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Thursday: Van Helsing, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ June 4: Jersey Girl, PG-13, 6 p.m. Van Helsing, PG-13, 9 p.m.

Foster Theater

- ▲ Tonight: Van Helsing, PG-13, 7 p.m. Van Helsing, PG-13, 10 p.m.
- ▲ Saturday : Scooby Doo 2, PG, 1 p.m. Van Helsing, PG-13, 4 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 7 p.m. Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless, R, 10 p.m.
- ▲ Sunday : Van Helsing, PG-13, 1 p.m. The Passion of the Christ, R, 4 p.m. Van Helsing, PG-13, 7 p.m.
- ▲ Monday : Dawn of the Dead, R, 7 p.m.



KADENA CUP MARTIAL ARTS CHALLENGE

Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Anika Williams



(CLOCKWISEFROMTOP)

FORM: Silvia Harrington performs during the forms competition of the Kadena Cup Martial Arts Challenge at the Amelia Earnhart Intermediate School Saturday. More than 60 martial artists competed in the tournament - six of which were named grand champions. Nearly all competitors were awarded a trophy for their efforts.

BOW: Dempsey DeMars bows to opponent Nathan Tibbetts before competing in the 8-year-old and younger sparring competition. Kapualani Ampong (center) judged the competition.

FALLEN: Silvia Harrington takes a kick from Bobbi Millsaps during the female adult sparring competition.

FRONT KICK: Bobbi Millsaps performs a front kick during the forms competition.

KENPO: Jeremiah Ordway bows before participating in the forms competition.

SIDE KICKS: Nathan Tibbetts spars with Dempsey DeMars in the 8-year-old and younger sparring competition.



Softball season in full swing



Aaron Gagne, 18th Maintenance Operation Squadron, makes a slide into second base as Esteban Tapia, 909th Air Refueling Squadron, makes the catch forcing the out during an intramural softball game at Four Diamonds Monday. The 18th MOS beat the 909th/961st team 15-6.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 6 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 353 MXS vs. 733 AMS
 18 LRS (C) vs. 18 CMS
 18 LRS (A) vs. 18 CS (A)

Tuesday, 7 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 18 CES (C) vs. 718 AMXS
 18 SFS vs. 18 EMS
 18 MUNS(A) vs. 18 MSS

Tuesday, 8 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 18 CS(B) vs. 18 AMXS
 18 CES (A) vs. 18 SVS

Thursday, 6 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 18 CES(C) vs. 18 AMXS
 18 LRS (C) vs. 18 EMS
 18 CS (B) vs. 18 MSS

Thursday, 7 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 18 MUNS (A) vs. 733 AMS
 718 AMXS (A) vs. 18 CMS
 18 SFS vs. 18 SVS

Thursday, 8 p.m. at Four Diamonds
 353 MXS vs. 18 LRS (A)
 18 CES(A) vs. 18 CS (A)



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Chenzira Mallory
HIT: Eric Sexton, 18th MOS, scores a hit against the 909th/961st team Monday.
OUT: Eric Sexton (right), 18th MOS forces Jennifer Stewart out at first base after making the catch.



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Chenzira Mallory
Dexter High (right), 18th Maintenance Group, turns to make a double play during an intramural softball matchup against the 909th/961st team Monday.



Air Force/ Staff Sgt. Chenzira Mallory
Jeremy Johnson, 18th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, slides safely into second base before Rob Searcy, 18th Logistics Readiness Squadron makes the catch. The 18th LRS went on to beat the 18th EMS team 10-9.