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Operation Pacific Greetings entertains Wolf Pack

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NEWS BRIEFS

Post Office closure

The Post Office will be closed May 29-31. All letters and parcel mail taken to the Post Office by 5 p.m. May 28 will be delivered that evening to Seoul. The Post Office will reopen June 1 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and resume normal operating hours June 2. For more information, call 782-4662.

Kunsan driving privileges

E-6s and below are no longer allowed to keep a privately owned vehicle license unless they meet specific requirements and are supported by their commander, according to a recent policy by 7th Air Force and USFK. According to the policy, this applies to POVs, rental cars, and any other non-government vehicle. Personnel with a GOV driving permit may continue to drive GOVs on and off base if annotated. For more information, contact your first sergeant.

Wing Change of command

The 8th Fighter Wing change of command is Thursday at 9 a.m. in Hangar 3.

Bomb dump closure

The munitions storage area will be closed June 14 to 25 for a 100-percent inventory. Munitions issue requests should be in to 8th Maintenance Squadron munitions operations no later than Monday, and actual issue requests by June 4. June 5 to 25 will be treated as emergency requests and will require 8th MXG commander approval. For more information, call 782-7354.

Change of command

The 8th Mission Support Group change of command is Monday at 9:30 a.m. in Hangar 3.

IFP packages

Individual force protection packages must be completed by all Wolf Pack members who are traveling, either on leave or TDY, to anywhere in the PACOM area. For more information, contact your unit anti-terrorism monitor or call 782-5012.

Road closure

Due to construction near the main gate, all traffic will be diverted to 9th Street. Avenue B will be closed to all traffic from the transportation building to the main gate until approximately Aug. 15.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Michael Holtzworth

Tech. Sgt. Kenneth Trimmins, Band of the Air Force Reserve, belts out a two-horn solo during the Operation Pacific Greetings concert held here Monday night. Sergeant Trimmins, and other members of the Band of the Air Force Reserve, joined forces with the Band of the Pacific - Asia, the New England Patriot Cheerleaders and Hootie and the Blowfish to provide the night's entertainment. Sergeant Trimmins has performed the unique solo on the Tonight Show with Jay Leno and during other tours the band has accomplished over the years. The Operation Pacific Greetings tour is performing at Kadena Air Base; Misawa AB and Yokota AB, Japan; Hickam AFB and here. The tour will cover about 15,440 miles round trip. The performers, technicians, support troops and about 40,000 pounds of equipment will get a lift from an Air Force cargo aircraft and a KC-10 Extender refueling and cargo aircraft.

New fire training facility undergoes certification

By Master Sgt. Randy Phelps
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A new fire training facility, called a multipurpose live-fire trainer, is undergoing certification this week here and will provide base firefighters with a vital tool to increase proficiency.

Located on the east end of the base near the vehicle management facility, the three story building includes a burn room, an enclosed simulated elevator shaft, stairwells and windows, said Tech. Sgt. Gary Pierson, 8th Civil Engineer Squadron assistant chief of fire prevention.

Up to this point, the only fire training available to Kunsan firefighters was the simulated aircraft trainer. With the new facility, firefighters will be able to practice entering buildings with actual fire, performing rescues from upper-level

floors, and scaling and repelling from areas inside and outside the building, Sergeant Pierson said.

"The scenarios we'll be able to stage in the facility are almost endless," Sergeant Pierson said. "It not only helps the firefighters who are attacking the fire, it helps the crew chiefs, assistant chiefs, everybody at Kunsan fire department will go in and burn."

This facility was built under the supervision of WRG Fire Training Simulation Systems, Sherwood, Ore., using local contractors. Mr. Bill Gee, president of WRG Fire Training Simulation Systems, is here this week certifying the building and providing certified training to the instructors at the fire department.

The company builds the facilities for the Department of Defense and civilian organizations all over the world.

"I make sure the class A burn room is

installed properly, all the nuts and bolts are tight and the siding is installed right," said Mr. Gee. "If the class A burn room is installed wrong, it creates an unsafe environment."

There are sensors built into the burn room so that the firefighters can monitor in internal temperature of the room and create different levels of fire.

"The beauty of having a training facility like this is the controlled environment," Mr. Gee said. "All of the safety stuff is built into there so we don't put the firemen in harm's way."

According to Sergeant Pierson, this kind of facility is just what Kunsan's firefighters needed to stay on the cutting edge of proficiency and provide the base with the level of protection it needs. But he summed up the firefighters anticipation with one defining sentence.

"Anytime we can put the wet stuff on the red stuff, it's a good day."

101 critical days of summer begins Memorial Day

By Master Sgt. Rachel Collins-Stout
8th Fighter Wing Safety

The time period between Memorial Day and Labor Day is widely known as the "101 Critical Days of Summer," and is the time period when the highest number of fatal mishaps among Air Force personnel happen. Why?

The summer typically brings increased opportunities for many off-duty outdoor activities and travel. Depending on those activities, there may also be an increase in mishap potential.

The 101 Critical Days of Summer campaign was developed to help mitigate this increased mishap potential and the associated increased mishap rate.

Last year there was a spike in our fatality rate during the 101 critical days. Air Force wide, 44 percent, almost half of our fatalities occurred during the 101 Critical Days, compared to 33 percent during both the 2001 and 2002 summer seasons.

The most notable increase occurred in motorcycle fatalities, as our numbers more than doubled from the previous campaign. Again, as the days get warmer, activities may change or increase, potentially resulting in a greater hazard exposure and mishap potential.

Also, since a majority of our personnel turnover occurs

during the summer, people going home may be exposed to greater risk simply through participation in activities they weren't able to enjoy while stationed here. Examples are motorcycle riding and water activities such as water skiing, boating and swimming.

Does the fact that Kunsan hasn't had a fatal mishap recently mean that we needn't be concerned about the 101 Critical Days of Summer? No, it doesn't.

All mishaps, no matter how minor, affect our mission here. Every time a person is placed on light duty or quarters, that is one less person able to do their job to the fullest capability and requires someone else to pick up the ball and run.

Over the last three years, campaign statistics at Kunsan show that an average of 40 percent of injuries were the result of sports and recreational activities, and 22 percent resulted from slips, trips and falls.

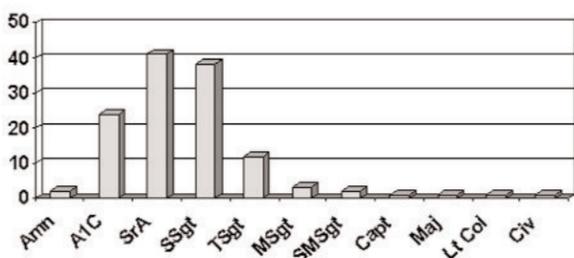
These types of injuries can be significantly reduced through the application of personal risk management. In other words, wear the appropriate personal protective equipment, stretch completely before working out and play according to your limits. Maintain good situational awareness to avoid trips and falls.

Overall, mishap numbers have continued to decline since last quarter. This is a great trend that I hope we keep up through this critical time period. Keep up the good work, Wolf Pack.

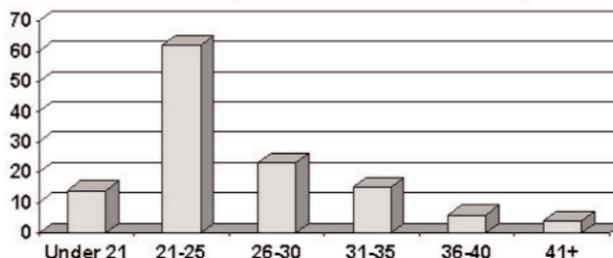
Air Force-wide statistics 2003

- ◆ Alcohol use was involved in fifteen fatal mishaps
- ◆ Alcohol was never a single identifiable factor in any fatal mishap; another factor was always present such as speed
- ◆ Identifiable trends in automobile accidents are: driving too fast for conditions, alcohol, and darkness — alcohol impairs judgment and reaction time.
- ◆ Young Airmen, particularly males, continue to be the group most at risk
- ◆ Eleven were not wearing seat belts
- ◆ Motorcycle mishaps resulted in 23 Air Force deaths, three more than last year
 - Factors included: excessive speed for conditions and proficiency.
 - Eleven were a result of loss of control and did not involve a collision with another vehicle
 - Three involved alcohol
 - Six had not received MSF training
 - Six were not wearing a helmet
- ◆ 88 percent of the causal findings reviewed were attributed to Air Force people
- ◆ Most common reasons:
 - judgment
 - discipline
 - self-induced stressors

□ Kunsan Rank vs Mishaps



□ Kunsan Age vs Mishaps



Kunsan members require approval for base photography

By Master Sgt. Randy Phelps
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs office has received many requests for the approval of photography on base, even though it is not authorized to grant them.

"There seems to be a common theory out there that anybody wanting to take a picture in a restricted area on base has to get approval from us, but according to a local 8th FW Instruction 31-101, it depends on what area of the base you want to take a picture in as to who is the approval authority," said Capt. Krista Carlos. "It also depends on what the photo will be used for."

Public release are the key words for public affairs involvement in photography on base, she said. If a media representative is on base wanting to take photos, public affairs will gain the necessary approvals and review the content before release. If the photos will be taken in one of the restricted areas, public affairs will again gain the approvals, but also notify the 8th Security Forces Squadron of the activities.

Any other photography on base, like getting a photo of someone in front of an F-16 to send home

to family or taking photos of your work center for a scrapbook, require approval from the organizations responsible for those restricted areas.

"For instance, people wanting to take a photograph within the munitions storage areas have to get an approval letter signed by the 8th Maintenance Squadron commander," Captain Carlos said. "And then, security forces must authenticate the letters. It's all spelled out in 31-101."

Information required in the letters include: Military member's name and grade; organization and duty phone; area to be photographed; time and date of activity; whether the person has unescorted entry privileges or requires escort and the nature of the activity.

"It's natural that people will want to take pictures of things going on at Kunsan to take back home when they leave," Captain Carlos said. "The important thing to remember is security. If you want to take a photo for your personal use, but maybe you're not sure if you're going to be in a restricted area or not, check it out with 8th SFS. If it's in a secure area, gain the necessary approval. And, unless it's going out for public release, the approval will come from someone other than public affairs."

Staff Sgt. Bryan Bissonnette, 8th Operations Support Squadron, takes photos of Wolf Pack F-16, at the end of runway Wednesday. Flightline photos should be coordinated through the 8th Operations Group and 8th Security Forces.



Photo by 1st Lt. Herb McConnell

Dozens of Airmen face retraining into new specialties

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER — Many Airmen have taken their careers in their own hands by volunteering to change career fields or separate under the initial phase of the Air Force's FY04 Noncommissioned Officer Retraining Program.

As part of the program's Phase II, Air Force officials have notified 88 Airmen selected as most vulnerable to retrain and asked them to submit their choices of shortage career fields they would most like to retrain into.

If they do not voluntarily apply for retraining by Monday, those without approved retraining or special duty assignments will have another Air Force specialty chosen for them by AFPC, and their class date scheduled by June 7, said Chief Master Sgt. Alvin Diaz, chief of the skills management branch here. "This phase of the retraining program is necessary to help meet the needs of the Air Force by putting airmen where they are needed most."

Under Phase II, not everyone is guaranteed his or her first choice. Major commands continue to accept volunteer applications and personnel officials encourage all eligible NCOs to also consider special duty assignments that need to be filled such as recruiting jobs, military training instructors, first sergeant duty or professional military education instructor, officials said. However, the member must be approved prior to the Monday deadline.

"There's still time for those who have been identified for possible retraining to volunteer," said Chief Diaz. "It's up to each Airman, but if it were me, I'd think having control over my career would be a priority and help reduce the stress of not knowing whether or not I will get that notification asking me to make a selection -- I'd volunteer."

The retraining program is designed to help balance the enlisted force by moving NCOs in specialties with surpluses to those with shortages, said Chief Diaz.

"We will work with those who have been selected for retraining, as we would any retraining case, in order to make the transition as smooth as possible for the Airman and his or her family while still meeting the needs of the Air Force," said Tech. Sgt. Derek Hughes, noncommissioned officer in charge of Air Force retraining here.

Vulnerability listings by grade and Air Force specialty code are posted on the web and will be updated weekly on the Air Force Personnel Center's Web site at <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/enlskills/Retraining/retraining.htm>.

Medical Group donates aid to humanitarian aid program

By 1st Lt. Herb McConnell
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The 8th Medical Group is participating in a DoD Humanitarian Aid Program that gives excess or obsolete supplies to people who need them.

The idea to donate medical supplies came about after a recent redesign of medical and surgical expansion packages to improve mobility and storage capabilities.

"The old packages could only be moved two at a time with a fork lift, and there could be hundreds of them," said Tech. Sgt. Stanley McKenzie, 8th Medical Group.

The new packaging, which also acts as its own shelter in inclement weather, allows a fork-lift to move everything it takes to expand in four trips.

"When they modernized the packaging everything in the old packages became excess," Sergeant McKenzie said.

The "excess" supplies were offered up to Pacific Air Force bases, then to any other base that might need, or could use them. After that, the supplies can be offered as aid.

In order to get the donated materiel were it needed to go, contractors and Medical Group members loaded it onto trucks. "The first shipment went to Okinawa and the second was headed to the Balkans," said Lt. Col. Cori Culver, 8th Medical Support Squadron commander.

"Although we don't know exactly who the supplies are helping, it's a very good thing to see those items used for a good cause," Sergeant McKenzie said.

"It's awesome to know that our excess medical supplies and equipment aren't going to waste, and that it might be used to save lives and care for patients. In time of a disaster, our excess can become someone else's gold and make the difference," Colonel Culver said.



Members of the 8th Medical Group prepare a shipment of excess medical supplies for shipment to Okinawa, Japan and the Balkans this week. Photo by Staff Sgt. Jennifer Crosby

Chu Details Asian-Pacific Americans' Service in Highest Positions

By Rudi Williams
American Forces Press Service

David S.C. Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, pointed out that Asian-Pacific Americans serve in all sorts of positions in today's armed forces, including some of the most senior positions in the military. Chu talked about Asian-Pacific Americans serving in the nation's armed forces and DoD's civilian workforce.

He noted that when World War II broke out, large numbers of Japanese Americans were interned. "It wasn't until 1943 that the units in Hawaii were formed and Japanese Americans were allowed to join the armed forces," Chu said. He said large numbers of Japanese Americans joined the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. "Although there were never more than 4,500 men in the ranks of this unit, it earned 18,000 decorations for individual bravery," Chu noted. "It was the most highly decorated unit of any American unit in the

second world war." The unit was the most decorated for its size and length of service in U.S. military history.

"One of the most amusing stories is that they had their own guards to be sure that they were not mistaken for Japanese troops by American soldiers," Chu told the gathering. "One of the stories of the contributions of these individuals involves Master Sgt. Roy H. Matsumoto. He served with the 5307th Composite Unit, 'Merrill's Marauders.' "He infiltrated the Japanese positions and listened to their conversations. After one such mission, he returned to the American lines and warned of an impending Japanese attack, which began to take place." Chu said that Matsumoto, impersonating a Japanese officer, directed the Japanese attackers to move against the American positions, where they met "the American guns, thereby turning the tide of the battle."

Chu noted that Matsumoto was inducted into the U.S. Army Ranger Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, Ga., on July 19, 1993, "for extraordinary courage and service ... with Merrill's Marauders" in the jungles of

Burma during World War II.

The undersecretary said another service member, Army Master Sgt. Kazui E. Yamane, played a major role in the defeat of Japan. After more than 50 tons of Japanese documents were captured in the Pacific theater, Yamane went through the documents and found one that turned out to be inventory of the storage locations in Japan for the imperial army ordnance. It became the source of the target list for American bombers that was launched against Japan.

"Perhaps the most distinguished Asian-Pacific American is (Army) Gen. Eric K. Shinseki," Chu continued. "Gen. Shinseki was born in Hawaii of Japanese ancestry. Noting that Shinseki served two tours of duty in Vietnam, Chu said, "as he was commanding a cavalry regiment on his second tour, he stepped on a land mine and lost a major part of his foot." He said Shinseki overcame that disability, passed the Army's physical fitness test and rose to the rank of four-star general. He served as commander of the Army's forces in Europe and as the Army chief of staff before retiring in 2003.

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Wolf Pack Crime Watch

May 10:
Nothing to report.

May 11:
Nothing to report.

May 12:
Nothing to report.

May 13:
Nothing to report.

May 14:
Nothing to report.

May 15:
Assault, Drunk and Disorderly Conduct — A master sergeant telephoned the 8th Security Forces Squadron control center and reported an altercation across from building 1245. Patrolmen were briefed and dispatched. One staff sergeant was transported, received medical attention and was charged with Article 128, Assault and Article 134, Drunk and Disorderly Conduct. A senior airman was transported and later charged with Article 128, Assault and Article 134, Drunk and Disorderly Conduct.

May 16:
Nothing to report.

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8th Security Forces Squadron

The Wolf bids farewell to the Wolf Pack

By Col. Robin Rand
8th Fighter Wing commander

A one-year remote to Kunsan Air Base; more than 365 days as the "Wolf." A tour I've cherished every day, but have always known that one day it would come to an end. I have left many great assignments over my 26-plus years in the Air Force, and it is never easy to say farewell. But saying goodbye to the Wolf Pack is proving to be the hardest. I have a "book full of memories" that I'll never forget. Meeting the Patriot Express and the newcomers briefing every Thursday; sessions with our First-term Airman classes and the NCO development seminars; the famous "Wolf 1" visit; the Christmas Holidays spent at "The Kun;" flying with the Juvats and Pantons; driving the snowplow with CE; firing mortars with the Defenders; wearing ground crew ensemble during our local exercises; overseeing our

UCI preparation and inspection; hosting the many wonderful United Service Organization shows; conducting various Wolf Calls; and spending the countless hours on and off duty with so many of you around our base.

I wish I could touch every one of you and say how grateful I am to you and your families for all you've done over the past 12 months. Too often, the gratitude has gone unmentioned. But let me tell you today, I've watched in amazement at all you did, the obstacles you overcame and achievements you've accomplished ... I am truly impressed and appreciative. Our fellow countrymen so rarely appreciate the kind of people you are, the sacrifices you make and the service you provide to this nation. You are a special breed of selfless and courageous warfighters.

Our nation and Air Force have asked a tremendous amount from you during my time here. We've asked you to leave your families for a year or

more. We've asked you to defend a still growing nation on foreign soil from a tyrannical, evil ruler. We've asked you to make some personal sacrifices in terms of living conditions and quality of life issues. But, in true warrior fashion, I've heard few complaints and you've continually demonstrated that the Wolf Pack is the best of the best. I have no doubt the Wolf Pack is a combat team, ready to go, ready to fight and ready to win ... at a moments notice.

The 8th Fighter Wing mission will go on and many things won't get any easier. However, I know that you will continue to rise to the occasion. I feel extraordinarily fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve with each of you. In closing, all I can say is thank you for who you are, what you do and how you do it ... you are indeed special. I wish you all the very best. Godspeed, warriors of the Wolf Pack. And as always, "May God have mercy on the Wolf Pack's prey."

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Col. Robin Rand
Commander, 8th Fighter Wing

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Saluting, a time honored tradition

By 1st Lt. Diane Maye
8th Fighter Wing Protocol

Few practices are more embedded in the military culture than the practice of saluting. The hand salute says, "I greet you." Returning a salute says in turn, "I return your greeting." The gesture is always friendly and should be rendered cheerfully and willingly. It is rendered with pride and as a recognition and sign of respect between colleagues in the profession of arms.

With that said, I'd like to point out some of the more common instances on base where military members should render or return the salute.

Did you know members of the U.S. military are supposed to render the salute to officers of the Republic of Korea military? That's right. Any commissioned or warrant officer, as well as any commissioned officer of a friendly foreign country, is

entitled to a salute. Air Force members should also salute the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Air Force.

Here's another situation that people may have a question about. If a military member is walking down one sidewalk, and on the other side of the street, an officer is walking the opposite direction. Should one salute the other?

The distance away from the other military member, and whether they're in uniform or not, should not be criteria for saluting — your guide to saluting should be recognition and greeting. Salute at a distance at which recognition is easy and your greeting is perceptible. And, make sure the salute is offered early enough to allow the senior-ranking members enough time to return it and extend an audible verbal greeting.

Now, let's say there's a group of people working outdoors and in uniform. If

you're standing in a group with no one in charge, the first person to see a senior officer should call the group's attention to their approach, and all members, if junior, will salute. If the group is in a military formation, the person in charge salutes for all members of the formation. Members of a work detail are not required to salute if they are working, but if an officer addresses one of the members of the detail, the member should come to attention and salute.

Here are a few other situations where the salute should be rendered:

Staff cars

If a government vehicle has a rank displayed (as a bumper plate or a plate on the dashboard inside the windshield), military members should salute as soon as you recognize the vehicle and hold your salute until the vehicle has passed or your salute is returned. Do not salute empty staff cars!

Reveille, Retreat, To

the Colors, the ROK and U.S. National Anthems

When outdoors and in uniform, face the flag, if visible, or face the music. During the playing of "Sound Retreat," which precedes the lowering of the flag, stand at parade rest. Stand at attention and salute on the first note of music thereafter. Drop your salute after the last note is played, or when the flag has been fully lowered. If you are in a vehicle during Reveille or Retreat, you should stop the vehicle. When you are in civilian clothes and outdoors, you should stand at attention and place your right hand over your heart.

Saluting is a time-honored tradition and it's our responsibility to uphold that tradition with dignity and honor. Rendering the salute shouldn't be looked at as a tedious chore. By saluting, you are maintaining the military image and leaving an impression of strength, integrity and power.

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35th FS	375	198
80th FS	321	180
8th FW	696	378



Community standard

Reviewing the community standards

Commanders and First Sergeants will ensure all newly assigned members to their units review the Community Standards within 10 days of their arrival. All assigned Kunsan personnel will review the Community Standards during Jun and Dec, and within 10 days of a new version release.

Transient Alert Airman named best F-4 crew chief peninsula wide

By 1st Lt. Herb McConnell
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

An 8th Fighter Wing transient alert Airman was recognized as the best F-4 crew chief on the Korean peninsula during a ceremony led by the wing vice commander May 6.

Tech. Sgt. Glenn Capps, 8th Maintenance Squadron, said he didn't know he was submitted to compete for the award and was caught by surprise.

"I was ecstatic," he said.

Transient Alert receives, refuels, and services all aircraft that land here and are not assigned to Kunsan. The planes are usually Republic of Korea air force combat aircraft, which includes the F-4 and distinguished visitor aircraft.

A committee, consisting of 7th Air Force members and a ROKAF commander, traveled to all cross-servicing units on the peninsula to see who was the best at servicing the F-4. "The Korean commander was extremely impressed with Sergeant Capp's routine, and the amount of time he does it in. It was flawless," said Tech. Sgt. Michael Catlett, former assistant section chief of TA and currently an assistant to the first sergeant of the 8th MXS.

Combat cross-servicing between the ROKAF and USAF dates back to Dec. 17, 1954, when the Republic of Korea Mutual Defense Treaty became effective.

Because of the high visibility, excellence is a tradition in TA.

"We are the first and last impression for everyone visiting Kunsan Air Base," Sergeant Capps said. TA Airmen wear an Air Force blue uniform specially designed to help emulate an outstanding professional image, he said.

But being a member of TA doesn't ensure all duties are filled with pomp and circumstance.

"Another one of our taskings is crash and recovery. We respond to in-flight emergencies, or ground emergencies, to take care of the mechanical aspect of the situation," Sergeant Capps said.

"It was an honor to present this award to Sergeant Capps whose hard work and excellence is a great example for all Wolf Pack Airmen," said Col. Bill Coutts, 8th Fighter Wing vice commander.

"This award also represents Sergeant Capp's commitment to furthering the Korean-American partnership for deterring aggression and being ready to take the fight north if required. This is a perfect example of the saying *capche-capche da*, which means, we go forward together," Coutts said.



Today

Free food night The Loring Club offers barbecue ribs 6 to 9 p.m. for club members.

PFM briefing The family support center offers a personal financial management program briefing for E-4s and below attending newcomers orientation, from 3 to 4 p.m. at building 755, room 215. For more information, call 782-5644 or 782-5627.

Howlin' Bowl The Yellow Sea Bowling Center offers Howlin' Bowl starting at 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$11 per person or \$50 per lane.

Karaoke The Falcon Community Center offers karaoke 8 p.m. to midnight.

Movie The base theater shows "The Alamo," rated PG-13, at 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Saturday

Movie The base theater shows "The Alamo," rated PG-13, at 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Country night The Loring Club hosts country night in the ballroom.

Walking tour The family support center offers a Eunjeock Temple and Gunsan Lake walking tour from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. To register, or for more information, call 782-5644 or 782-5627. Participants should bring about 20,000 Won for bus fare, snacks, drinks and lunch.

Prime Rib The Loring Club has a prime rib special — a 16-ounce "Wolf" cut for \$15.95 and a 12-ounce "Kun" cut for \$13.95 served from 6-9 p.m.

E-Mart trip The Falcon Community Center hosts a shopping trip to E-Mart in Kunsan City. Busses depart the base at 10 a.m., noon, 2 and 4 p.m. Busses return to base at 1, 3 and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$2. For more information, call 782-4619.

Sunday

Bingo The Loring Club offers bingo at 2 p.m.

Brunch Extravaganza The

Loring Club offers entree and side dishes for Sunday brunch 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The price is \$12.95 per person. Club members receive a \$2 members first discount.

Movie The base theater shows "The Alamo," rated PG-13, at 6 and 8:30 p.m.

Dart tourney The Loring Club has a dart tournament at 7 p.m.

Spades The Falcon Community Center has a spades tournament at 2 p.m.

E-Mart trip The Falcon Community Center hosts a shopping tour to E-Mart in Kunsan City. The busses depart the base at 10 a.m., noon, 2 and 4 p.m. Busses return to base at 1, 3 and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$2.

Monday

Free bowling for airman - senior airman The Yellow Sea Bowling Center offers three free games for airmen at 6:30 p.m., and \$1 bowling for everyone else.

Mexican Fiesta The Loring Club offers a Mexican fiesta lunch buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$6.95 with a discount for club members.

Movie madness The Falcon Community Center offers a double feature movie madness at 6 p.m.

Pool Tournament The Loring Club has a 9-ball pool tournament at 7 p.m.

Tuesday

Movie The base theater shows "Dawn of the Dead," rated R, at 8 p.m.

\$2 Kun burger The Loring Club offers \$2 Kun burgers from 6-8 p.m.

Sumo wrestling The Loring Club offers Sumo wrestling at 7 p.m.

Straight Pool The Falcon Community Center has a straight pool 31-point tournament at 7 p.m.

Lunch buffet The Loring Club offers an Oriental buffet from 11 a.m.

OF THE PRIDE PACK

Squadron: 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
Duties: F-16 flightline avionics technician
Hometown: Houston, Texas
Follow-on: Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska
Hobbies: Softball, running and fishing
Favorite music: Rock
Last good movie you saw: "Aladdin"
Best thing you've done at Kunsan: Returned aircraft 504 to service



Staff Sgt. Thomas Hall

"Staff Sgt. Thomas Hall provides direct flightline supervision and leadership to more than 50 personnel in three different specialties. During his short time here, he volunteered to come in several times during weekend duty to analyze and repair several complex avionics discrepancies. His innovative troubleshooting skills enabled him to isolate a persistent chaff and flare audio anomaly to a defective voice message unit driver assembly that had eluded other technicians during previous scheduled downtime. Additionally, he isolated a fire control radar and radar threat warning integration malfunction to a faulty fire control radar power harness that was incorrectly grounded. Furthermore, his display of leadership on the Cobra softball team as head coach and player enhanced morale and esprit de corps within the AMU and base. Sergeant Hall's accomplishments certainly deserve the recognition and title of 'Pride of the Pack.'"

Capt. Jason Gibson
35th Aircraft Maintenance Unit OIC

to 1 p.m. for \$6.95 with a discount for club members.

Ladies' Night bowling The Yellow Sea Bowling Center offers free bowling for ladies, all night, starting at 6 p.m.

Wednesday

Movie The base theater shows "Taking Lives," rated R, at 8 p.m.

Return and Reunion The family support center offers a return and reunion briefing for those about to leave Kunsan every Wednesday, 3:30 to 4 p.m. at the Sonlight Inn. For more information, call 782-5644.

Pool tournament The Loring Club offers an 8-ball pool tournament at 7 p.m.

Free food The Loring Club offers club members a chili bar 6 to 8 p.m.

Thursday

Lunch buffet The Loring Club offers an Italian buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for \$6.95 with a discount for club members.

8-ball pool The Falcon Community Center has an 8-ball pool tournament at 7 p.m.

Korean orphanage Wolf Pack members interested in volunteering at the local Kae Chong Orphanage should meet in the military personnel flight parking lot Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. Transportation is provided. For more information, call Master Sgt. Bob Gardner at 782-4794.

Movie The base theater shows "Taking Lives," rated R, at 8 p.m.

To submit events for 7-Days, send an e-mail to wolfpackwarrior@kunsan.af.mil. Submissions must include time, date, place, and phone number.

Chapel

Latter-Day Saint

Services are Sundays at 3:30 p.m. at the chapel.

Catholic services

Mass is Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., Sundays at 9 a.m., and every Monday and Wednesday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the chapel. Catholic Reconciliation is by appointment, Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8 a.m. R.C.I.A. is Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the chapel conference room.

Protestant services

General Protestant worship service is Sundays at 11 a.m. and the contemporary praise and worship service is Sundays at 6

p.m. Both services are conducted in the chapel.

Gospel Gospel services are Sundays at 1 p.m. and the inspirational praise and worship service is Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the chapel.

Sonlight Inn hours

The Sonlight Inn is open every Sunday through Thursday from 6 to 10 p.m. Fridays from 6 p.m. to midnight, and Saturdays from 6:30 a.m. to midnight.

Sunday School and Bible studies

The chapel hosts several schools and Bible study groups at the Sonlight Inn. Call the chapel for more information at 782-4300.

FREE CLASSIFIEDS

To submit an item for Free Classifieds, send an e-mail to wolfpackwarrior@kunsan.af.mil with "classifieds" in the subject block. All submissions must contain member's rank, name and phone number and must originate from the member's e-mail account. No "personal" ads will be accepted. Deadline for submissions is noon Friday a week prior to desired printing. For more information, call 782-4705.

For Sale

Video card: ATI All-in-Wonder 7500 Video Card w/TV Tuner, PC Remote, Original CD and documents. Great for watching TV on a PC and capturing video for DVDs. Capture video or pictures directly from TV, VCR or Camcorder. \$70. Call Tech. Sgt. Bob Delloma 782-0423.

Volunteer Opportunities

American Red Cross Anyone interested in volunteering for the American Red Cross should call 782-4601 for more information.

Drivers needed Drivers are needed for the volunteer trips to and from the Kae Chong orphanage which departs Kunsan Air Base Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 782-4794.

Wolf Pack Wheels

Monday through Thursday Departs Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. and departs Osan at noon and 6 p.m.

Friday

Departs Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. and departs Osan at noon and 10 p.m.

Saturday

Departs Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. and departs Osan at noon and 4 p.m.

Sunday

Departs Kunsan at 7:30 a.m. and noon and departs Osan at noon and 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$12.50 for general Wolf Pack members or \$11.50 for special consideration of airman morale one way, and \$25 or \$23 round trip.

CES dominates, takes volleyball crown

By Master Sgt. Randy Phelps
8th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

It's getting to be old hat for the 8th Civil Engineer Squadron — another intramural sport, another intramural championship.

Last week, CES rolled through the rest of the competition in the tournament and finished off the 8th Security Forces Squadron during the championship match in two straight games, 25-17, 23-21.

The story of the championship game was one of calm and chaos. The civil engineers stayed calm, cool and collected during the match and the security forces never seemed to get it together.

"We had struggled a bit throughout the regular season to get good passes in the middle of the floor, but we really made a strong effort in the playoffs," said CES's Eric Spencer. "With the good passes and remarkable play of the back line, we were able to turn our

defense right back into a strong offensive play."

Even with the miscues on SFS's part, they managed to keep the games close until the end. In the first game, CES had jumped out to a quick lead with a 7-3 advantage using some well-placed dinks. But, SFS's Brian Reddenbaugh kept the cops in the game with some high-velocity spikes.

Fortunately for CES, the early lead they had built was all they needed though and the team managed to maintain the advantage throughout the game.

"We played great defense throughout," said CES's Kent Halverson. "Our blocking was especially good, which allowed us to keep the lead."

The second game once again displayed a disciplined CES offense and defense against the haphazard style of SFS. CES was deliberate in their sets and spikes, mixing up directions, throwing in a dink or two and keeping SFS scrambling all over the court. Even

so, SFS wouldn't quit. The game ran out of time, tied at 19, sending it into a win by two, sudden-death overtime.

To get into the finals, CES rolled through the winner's bracket undefeated and SFS battled their way back to the championship after being sent into the loser's bracket by CES in the first match of the two teams. SFS had defeated the 8th Maintenance Squadron earlier in the evening, 23-21, 23-21, to get back into the title match.

This is the third intramural championship in a row for CES. They took the football crown, followed that with a championship run in basketball, and now, the volleyball victory.

"The Red Devils' success in intramural sports is just another example of the great camaraderie and teamwork you see in CES every day of the week," said Lt. Col. Jim Sohan, 8th CES commander. "Civil Engineers are driven to succeed and this desire carries over in to everything we do, whether it's at work or at play."

SAFETY EQUIPMENT: USE IT OR LOSE IT

Mouthguards

◆ Mouthguards reduce cuts to the lip, mouth and tongue, protect teeth and help to prevent jaw injuries

◆ Always wear mouthguards in activities with a risk of collision or body contact

Headgear

◆ Hard helmets such as those worn when cycling or horse riding help to protect the brain from injury in an impact. Soft headgear such as that worn when playing rugby can help to prevent serious cuts to the scalp and ears

◆ Make sure headgear is approved and appropriate to the sport

◆ Headgear must be fitted properly and securely to prevent serious cuts to the scalp and ears

◆ Hard helmets, such as those worn when cycling or horse riding, must be secure to reduce the risk of concussion and skull fractures

◆ Wear hard helmets and face guards in sports involving small, hard balls traveling at high speeds

Bracing and taping

◆ Bracing and taping can provide some protection against injury to joints

◆ Don't use braces and taping to allow an injured player to play while injured

◆ If possible, use braces rather than tape, as the effective support provided by taping is generally reduced after 20 minutes of play

◆ Braces are reusable, adjustable and can provide continuous support

Footwear and eyewear

◆ Good footwear provides protection from impact and support for the foot and ankle

◆ Make sure footwear fits well to provide support, has enough cushioning for absorbing impacts, has a good sole for traction on the surface, and complies with the laws of the game

◆ Protective eyewear reduces the impact of fast-moving objects such as balls and racquets

Padding

◆ Padding absorbs impact, minimizing the effect of the impact on the player's body and reducing the risk of injury

◆ Always use high-density foam padding around goal posts or other areas of high risk

He swings, he misses



Photos by Staff Sgt. Keri Scroble

Sean Stewart, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, swings and misses during a game played against the 8th Logistics Readiness Squadron Tuesday. The game was the first of a preseason tournament which will end next week.

SPORTS SHORTS

Wolf's going-away golf tourney

The 8th annual Wolf's going-away Wolf Pack golf tournament will be held Saturday starting at 8 a.m. at the Westwinds Golf Course. The cost is \$15 per person and includes green fees. It will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start. Each team can buy up to four mulligans for \$1 each, and up to five feet of string at \$2 per foot, to be used once to move the ball up to the length of the string.

Varsity Soccer

The varsity soccer team is looking for players. Those interested should call Master Sgt. Timothy Fearney at 782-3870, or e-mail him at [timothy.fear-](mailto:timothy.fearney@kunsan.af.mil)

timothy.fearney@kunsan.af.mil. Practice is held every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the base soccer field adjacent to the fitness center.

Aerobics classes

The fitness center offers aerobics classes every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:15 a.m. For more information on these classes, call the fitness center at 782-4026.

Sunday spin class

The fitness center offers spin class Sundays at 4 p.m. in the fitness center annex.

Spinning instructors needed

The fitness center needs spin class instructors. The 8th Services Squadron will pay certified instructors. For more information, call 782-4026.

Kickboxing aerobics

The fitness center offers aerobic kickboxing classes every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 5 p.m. at the fitness center. For more information, call 782-4026.

Lifeguards needed

The 8th Services Squadron is looking for lifeguards for the upcoming 2004 swim season. Contact the fitness center at 782-4026 for more information.

Bench-press club

Weight lifters are invited to join the bench-press club. See a fitness center staff member for details or to sign up.

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To submit a sports shorts e-mail
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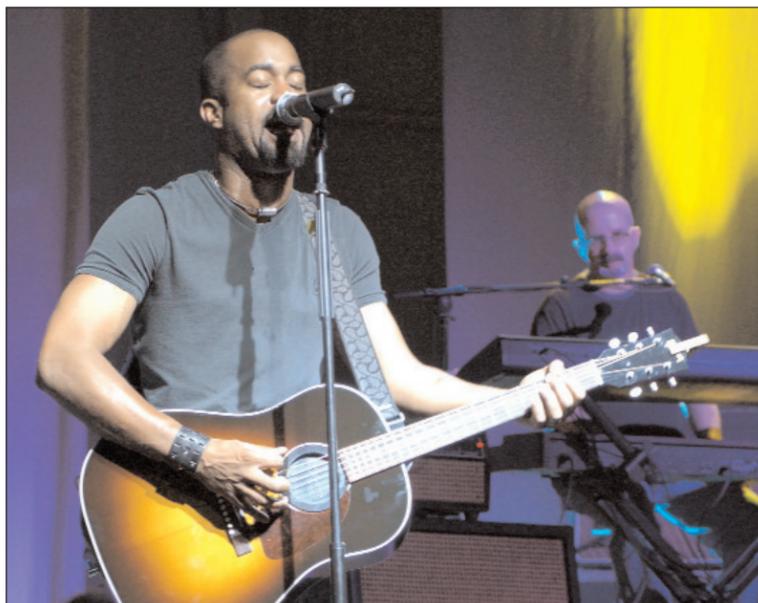
Hootie and the Blowfish rock Kunsan



Dean Felder (left), Jim Sonefeld (center), and Darius Rucker (right) team up at the microphone to sing one of the Hootie and the Blowfish tunes for a huge crowd of Wolf Pack fans Monday night at Hangar 3.



Four willing participants demonstrate their cheerleading skills during the performance by the New England patriots cheerleaders Monday.



Darius Rucker, lead singer of Hootie and the Blowfish, performed as the headline show with Bands from Pacific Air Forces and Air Force Reserve Command. Operation Pacific Greetings is the name of the rock and roll tour performing throughout the Pacific in May.