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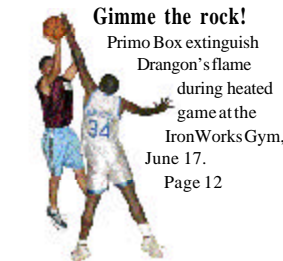
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## Marines puzzle over pad



LANCE Cpl. LUKAS J. BLOM  
Combat Correspondent

**CAMP FUJI, Japan** — Marines from Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 completed the installation of the Vertical Take Off and Landing (VTOL) pad here, June 20.

The VTOL pad is a 96-foot by 96-foot puzzle, which when pieced together create a solid surface for aircraft capable of vertical take off and landing to do so.

"Basically the VTOL is a surface for vertical take off and landing by mainly Harriers and Helos," said Cpl. August Morlock, MWSS-171 expeditionary airfield services crewmember. "It gives them a location to get refueled or rearmed with ordnance."

The AM-2 airfield matting is constructed of extruded hollow aluminum and comes in 12-foot and six-foot sections.

Each 12-foot piece weighs more than 140 pounds. The pieces are equipped with a tongue and groove locking system, which slides into place, making the VTOL pad extremely fast to incorporate into any battlefield.

The installation process began with MWSS-171 heavy equipment motor transportation Marines surveying and grading the land on the proposed site to lay the pad. In order for the pad to be certified by a Naval Air representative, which is required to allow aircraft to use the pad, the site must be within certain standards.

"With everything in the Marine Corps, there are certain standards that we have to meet in order to get the VTOL certified for use," said Morlock. "Our standards say that the pad has to be within certain elevation requirements. If there is too much of a slope and the elevation is not right, then we can't certify it."

Unfortunately for the Marines of MWSS-171, the land did not cooperate and the elevation and slope standards could not be met for certification.

"The ground work here was great, (heavy equipment) did an outstanding job grading and working with the see VTOL Page 5

Photo by Lance Cpl. Lukas J. Blom

**Pfc. Troy Norman, Marine Wing Support Squadron 171 expeditionary airfield services crewmember, looks down the 12-foot track of aluminum matting to check for obstructions before it is set into place in the Vertical Take Off and Landing pad, June 20.**

## When alarms sound off across Station, don't panic

LANCE Cpl. CRISTIN K. BARTER  
Combat Correspondent

The Station Emergency Alert System is activated for terrorist threats, natural disasters, chemical-biological-radiological-nuclear and high-yield explosive threats (CBRN-E threats), and mass casualty incidents to make sure all Station residents know how and when to react.

"The most important things I could recommend telling anyone is to always be prepared for the worst case scenarios," said Joe Shines, Station emergency manager. "Being prepared reduces fear and anxiety. Start your planning and preparation early, within the first month of arrival at a new duty station. It's never too late to begin preparing yourself."

First of all, residents need to keep in mind that

under any sort of disaster the 911 emergency phone lines may become overwhelmed with calls from victims. Unless it is absolutely necessary, residents are asked to stay off the phones and tune to Marine Corps Air Station Emergency Broadcast Station channels five

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## New Marine For Life Injured Support program helps seriously injured, families

MAJ. CAROLYN C. DYSAR  
Marine For Life Public Affairs Officer

**QUANTICO, Va.** — For a seriously injured Marine, getting to medical treatment is just the first step in a long and difficult journey back to duty or a medical retirement.

Along the way, the Marine and his family will have to deal with myriad issues from medical, financial and administrative to understanding benefits, evaluation

boards and much more. Fortunately, they don't have to face these challenges alone.

The Marine Corps has a long history of caring for its own and now there's a formal program to ensure the unique needs of seriously injured Marines (including sailors injured while serving with Marines) and their families are met. The new Marine For Life-Injured Support program will provide information, advocacy and assistance from the time of injury through return to full duty or transition to the Department of

Veterans Affairs, up to one year after separation.

"Our job is to minimize the difficulties and worries families face as they navigate the stressful and confusing process," said Col. Bill Lake, Marine For Life Program Manager. "Our goal is to ensure that no Marine is 'left behind' as they transition from military care to the VA."

After talking with many injured Marines, their families, doctors and commanders, and in conjunction with see PROGRAM Page 4



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# Chaplain's Corner: Set aside

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MAG-12 Group Chaplain

Running up and down ladder wells on busy, crowded ships at sea can become tiresome. Especially when there is a perfectly, fully clean, unoccupied stairway - not a ladder - nearby.

That stairwell, on the USS Ranger, an aircraft carrier now decommissioned, was reserved for the embarked Admiral and his senior staff. It had been set aside for his use, and I was not on his staff. The temptation to use that stairwell to quickly get from the mess decks to my duty station was strong.

I was an Ensign, temporarily on board for special training. Every time I passed that neat, brightly painted entrance to the stairway I wanted to spring up the steps and save a few minutes moving from one point to another. One day, a buddy and I were late for a meeting and had to go up several decks. We

saw an open hatch that we thought led us to a ladder. In we dove, started up, and realized we were in the Admiral's passageway.

At that point we felt it would be easier to beg for mercy than to seek permission, and since no one was on the stairs, we quickly continued on up to the deck we were heading for. The Commander, who met us on the way down, had a different view on the matter of our use of the stairway.

When people, or objects, are set aside for a special purpose we say they are dedicated. We dedicate buildings for public use, parks are set aside for people to enjoy, and people can be dedicated in order to perform specific functions.

Members of the military take an oath that sets them apart from civilians. Ministers are ordained for specific ministries in the churches they serve. Sometimes those dedications come with special requirements.

In the Book of Judges, chapter thirteen, Samson is set aside before he is born because one day he would judge the nation of Israel during a time of crisis. His parents were told to be careful of what they ate, and how they fed and cared for him as he grew up. He was set aside as a Nazirite - a special category of servant of God - for the rest of his life.

Not all believers are set aside in the same manner as Samson or John the Baptist. The apostle Paul, in Romans chapter 12, urges believers to present themselves - to be dedicated - to God as living sacrifices. When we do so we are set aside for the purpose of serving God as a holy people. Paul wasn't talking of a special category of ministry, but of everyday people who love and follow God. That includes everyday people like you and me. Just as that stairway on USS Ranger existed for special people to move efficiently to their duty stations, see CHAPLAIN Page 4

## Ask the Inspector

MAJ. MATTHEW D. RAZVILLAS  
Station Inspector

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

### 1. Do you fit contact lenses on dependents?

Yes, these services are available to all beneficiaries eligible to use the clinic, as long as a patient is deemed healthy and mature enough to handle the responsibilities inherent with contact lens wear.

I have also significantly expanded the options we have for same-day fittings, including lenses for astigmatism. We also now have much better access to custom-ordered soft lenses for challenging fits.

### 2. Do you fit colored contact lenses?

No, not typically. This is due to the lack of trial lenses available for fitting purposes. It is important to understand that even though a contact lens may not have any power and "just has color," it is still a prescription medical device.

Purchase of colored lenses requires a comprehensive eye exam and contact lens fitting the same way any other lens

does. If a patient already wears a colored lens, and I can evaluate its current fit, I am happy to update the prescription.

### 3. How do I get on the list for laser (refractive) surgery?

The Navy and Marine Corps refractive surgery programs are limited to active duty members only. There are only six laser centers in the continental U.S. Getting on the waiting list at any one of the centers requires a consult be filled out by the optometrist.

A consult may only be completed if there are two comprehensive exams in the member's military medical record that are at least one year apart and show stability in his/her prescription. The member must also be systemically healthy and 21 years old. The consult must then be approved by the member's commanding officer and assigned a priority before being faxed to the laser center. The waiting time varies widely and can range from three months to three years if a candidate is accepted.

In general, consults from outside the Continental United States have longer waiting times than duty stations consults from inside the Continental U.S.

The member must also keep in mind that if space becomes available for the surgery, it is the responsibility of the member to fund his or her own travel and lodging during the 7-10 days required at or near the laser center.

For dependents and retirees, please remember that Tricare see INSPECTOR Page 4

## CHATTERBOX

"Well, Tuesday was the official first day of summer. Summer brings beach trips, tans, barbecues and the long awaited summer vacation. The right choice of location and activity can make or break a summer vacation. So, we were wondering ..."

What would be the ultimate summer vacation?



Master Sgt. Maria A. Theisen  
Santa Fe Springs, Calif.

"Sucking down piña coladas while working on my tan in Waikiki."



Lance Cpl. Andrew M. Hall  
Gainesville, Fla.

"Relaxing on St. John's River, barbecuing everyday with my friends."



Pfc. Joshua M. Witter  
Wellsville, N.Y.

"A trip to Australia to sightsee with my family."



Lt. Cmdr. Tim C. Jackson  
Whidbey Island, Wash.

"Take a 14-day tour through Europe with my wife and daughter."



Photo by Lance Cpl. Mark Fayloga

## Marines welcome aboard Sgt. Maj. Randolph L. Mitchell during a Post and Relief Ceremony at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, June 17. Iwakuni Marines induct new sergeant major

LANCE CPL. MARK FAYLOGA  
Operations Chief

Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni residents welcomed a new Station sergeant major and bid adieu to a 30-year Marine during a quiet ceremony at the Station Drill Field, June 17.

Sgt. Maj. David Allison was relieved as Station sergeant major by Sgt. Maj. Randolph L. Mitchell. The ceremony was the final act as a Marine for Allison whose retirement ceremony followed the post and relief.

During the ceremony, Station Commanding Officer Col. Michael A. Dyer spoke on Allison's retirement

and expressed his feelings toward the newly posted sergeant major.

"We are looking forward to teaming with you during your tenure as sergeant major," said Dyer. "Sgt. Maj. Allison was excited to hear you were relieving him and he assured me of your credentials."

This is Mitchell's first tour in Iwakuni, but he is no stranger to the Pacific. He has served two tours in Okinawa and comes to the Station from Camp Fuji, Japan.

Mitchell showed enthusiasm toward his new duty station and looks forward to working in Iwakuni.

"What I've seen from the Marines and sailors on Station so far has been nothing short of impressive,"

said Mitchell. "Iwakuni has a great reputation throughout the world and I will try my hardest to strengthen that reputation."

Mitchell's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal with two Gold Stars, the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal and the Air Force Achievement Medal, to name a few.

Allison will return home to Ohio.

"I leave Iwakuni with no regrets and I leave the Marine Corps with no regrets," said Allison "People tell me I'm going to miss the Marine Corps and I say, 'you're damn right I'm going to miss it,' after 30 years of service I know no other way of life."

## Educators put fun into reading

SGT. DAVID J. HERCHER  
Press Chief

The crowd went wild as Matthew C. Perry Elementary School's Vicky Taylor clashed in a typhoon of fury on the wrestling mat against John Stroup during a long-awaited principal versus assistant principal sumo-wrestling match, June 17.

Reading for enjoyment, while simultaneously enhancing the student's reading comprehension skills was why the duo donned sumo suits and met each other on the wrestling mat.

Early in the school year, the students were promised a sumo-wrestling match between the duo if they reached a goal of 16,000 points in the Accelerated Reader Program.

To participate in the reading program, students simply had to read a book based on their reading level from a designated reading list and then take a test to gauge their comprehension skills.

For example, a first grader might earn 1/2 a point for reading a book, while a 6th grader may earn 20 points.

"There are a lot of kids that wouldn't read if it wasn't for this program, and those are the kids we are reaching," said Jessica L. Buckley, accelerated reader

program coordinator and M.C. Perry teacher. "The more you practice at something, the better you get," she explains as she points out one young first grader, Justin Lee Peterson, who earned about 70 points and read nearly 170 books throughout the school year.



Photo by Sgt. David J. Hercher

Vicky Taylor, Matthew C. Perry Elementary School principal, gives John Stroup, assistant principal, a helping hand after beating him in a quasi-sumo wrestling match.

"He has become a much better reader because of the Accelerated Reader Program."

The students met their goal with 16,010 points, June 13, which was more than double last year's total of 8,000 points.

There was a big push at the end of the school year, as teachers sponsored a few in-class read-a-thons to help students meet their goal.

Buckley added, "the benefit to this program is that we have some super readers here and it is

great to see the excitement from students and hear, 'Oh, I read another book today and got two points.' The best part about this program is that they are learning and they don't even know it because they are having fun."

## NEWS BRIEFS

### UMUC ADVISOR VISIT

UMUC Financial Aid Advisors are scheduled to visit Iwakuni on July 7. Please call 253-3494 to make an appointment.

### BEACH CLEANUP

The Iwakuni Social Welfare Association is requesting volunteers for the annual Tsuzu Beach cleaning, Wednesday. The ISWA does this annually before opening the beach to the public.

The cleanup will be scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m. Afterward, there will be drinks provided for the volunteers. The Tsuzu Swimming Beach will be opened to bathers from July 20 to Aug. 31. To volunteer for this event, please call the Wadasan at 253-5344.

### BLOOD DRIVE

The U.S. Pacific Command Armed Services Blood Bank Center in Okinawa will host a Station-wide Blood Drive aboard Iwakuni in July. All blood types are badly needed. For more information on specific time, date and location please call 253-6647.

### MCMAP TRAINING

There is currently Marine Corps Martial Arts training open for all Marines who wish to get their gray or green belts. Marines can come for either remedial training or for hours to get their next belt. The classes are Monday through Friday, 5:30 - 6:30 a.m. on the field in front of Branch Health Clinic. For more information contact Sgt. Jones at 253-4882.

## Kitchen to combat: Spouses deploy to OIF

MASTER GUNNERY SGT.  
CONSTANCE S. DILLARD  
II MEF Public Affairs Chief

**CAMP FALLUJAH, Iraq** — When the personnel requirements for the Marine Corps Community Service exchange mission in Iraq grew beyond its military personnel resources, it found a willing and untapped resource within its ranks. MCCS civilians, many of whom are military spouses, rose to the occasion by gladly volunteering to fill personnel shortages at military exchanges serving Marines, soldiers, sailors and airmen in Iraq.

As such, three MCCS civilians fulfill that need here at the Camp Fallujah Exchange. Known as the "Three Js," each left her husband, children and the comforts of life back home to serve their country in the one way they could best, by augmenting the exchange system.

"I just wanted to do my part, to be here in support of the many men and women out here trying to make a difference," said Jamie Dollahan, a Riverside, Calif., native. "To help, no matter how little it is at times. Not to be at home watching it on TV."

Because the Marine Corps Exchange military occupational specialty is so small and the mission out here kept expanding, Army & Air Force Exchange System asked MCCS Headquarters to provide additional resources, according to Master Sgt. Francisco Olmos, Camp Fallujah Exchange staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge. Those additional resources turned out to be MCCS civilians to fill billets ranging from administrative duties inside the exchange to logistical support in the warehouse. This is the first time in Olmos' 19-year career that he has seen spouses, civilian MCCS Marines,



Photo by Master Gunnery Sgt. Constance S. Dillard

**Three such civilians serving at Camp Fallujah, Iraq, on temporary additional duty orders are from left to right Jamie Dollahan, from Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.; June Russell from Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif.; and Janet Hawkins from Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan.**

support the exchange in this manner.

"I'm prior military (Marines) and served in Operation Desert Shield/Storm and the idea of coming here to help out as a civilian was just exciting," said Janet Hawkins, a Shreveport, La. native. "It brought back days when I only wished there was an American or just someone to converse with at the very small exchange we had at our location, (during Desert Shield/Storm)."

In preparation for the mission, every MCCS civilian goes through a two-day briefing at Quantico, Va., which covers the Marine sites in Iraq and the basics of what would be expected from them ranging from billeting, the environment, deployment incentives, and pay including all Human Resources issues, according to Olmos, who is on his third deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Additionally, all of the MCCS civilians went through five

days of deployment training at the Replacement Center in Fort Bliss, Texas. During CRC, they receive first responders training, anti-terrorism briefings, Improvised explosive device identification classes, defensive orientation and nuclear, biological and chemical training. Once they land in Kuwait their AAFES training occurs in operating procedures, security measures and on ordering merchandise. This is also considered the first day of their six-month deployment.

"I have not regretted my decision and I am proud and honored to have this opportunity to serve," said June Russell, born in Scotland and currently a San Diego resident.

Currently there are 11 MCCS civilians on six month temporary additional duty orders located at the exchanges in Al Asad, Ar Ramadi, Taqaddum and here. They are having a very positive impact. The great work they are doing here helps maximize the

ability to serve service members to the best of MCCS's ability, according to Olmos, a Brownsville, Texas native.

"I love the retail business and this job is great, especially the interaction with customers," said Russell, a mother of three on TAD from Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif. "They (the service members) do not expect civilians, especially Marine Corps civilians, to be here and if I can brighten their day for a few minutes in the environment we are in then I have done my job."

Whereas normally the non-military spouse sits at home worrying about their active duty spouse, in Dollahan's home the shoe is on the other foot.

"My husband supports me completely," said Dollahan, a mother of two on TAD from Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va. "Being a Marine he knows what I can run into out here, so he worries at times. But he also knows this is something I wanted to do. Now I can't complain when he gets deployed."

Even the children supported their decision to serve. "My children were great about me coming out here," said Dollahan. "They knew I would miss some important events and they still let me come out. They just took lots of pictures and video."

With their spouses and children supporting them, these three ladies stay upbeat and driven to provide the best service possible to the service members here.

"I had everyone telling me it's not safe, it's no place for a woman, and I can't believe you are going to leave your family," said Hawkins, a mother of two on TAD from MCAS Iwakuni, Japan. "I'm on Camp Fallujah surrounded by the best fighting force in the world, the Marines. I sleep well knowing that."

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believers may choose to live as a dedicated people for God to work through in the places they live and work. Not all people are set aside to be full time church leaders. Everyone has an opportunity to dedicate themselves to the service of God and the Kingdom of Heaven. Have you dedicated yourself to God's service?

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extensive research by Headquarters Marine Corps, the Commandant of the Marine Corps established the program at the end of 2004 and operations began in early 2005.

"We're going to change the systems and paradigms and overcome the obstacles that have plagued injured Marines and their families as they try to obtain the care and benefits they need to live as normal a life as possible," said Lake, who conducted much of the research and designed the program. "A key element is improving the Marine Corps communication with and understanding of the VA."

An officer has been assigned to the Seamless Transition office at VA headquarters to facilitate cases.

According to Lake, adding the mission of taking care of injured Marines and their families is a natural fit for the Marine For Life program which has an established nationwide network of Marine-friendly businesses and support organizations.

The Marine For Life Web site, [www.M4L.usmc.mil](http://www.M4L.usmc.mil), will become a clearinghouse of information for injured Marines, their families and others involved in supporting them. Already the Web site includes news and information on the recovery process, benefits, benevolent organizations, and injury types, as well as links to other helpful Web sites.

"The Marine Corps is committed to taking care of injured Marines and their families. We're trying to engineer solutions and develop a program that will make a difference — not just look good," said Lake.

The program is currently being introduced by Marine For Life staffers to Marines, sailors and their families at Bethesda Naval Hospital and Walter Reed Army Hospital in the Washington, D.C. area with a plan to expand to all major Naval hospitals as soon as possible. Marines who have already been medically discharged are being contacted telephonically.

Injured Marines, sailors or family members needing assistance can call toll-free, (866) 645-8762 or e-mail: [injuredsupport@M4L.usmc.mil](mailto:injuredsupport@M4L.usmc.mil).

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will not cover the procedure. Should you choose to have the procedure done elsewhere while on leave, please note that we are not equipped to handle many post surgical complications as some complications may require additional surgical repair or a specialty consult which is not covered by Tricare.

## Station residents rock out at Battle of Guitars

LANCE CPL. LENDUS B. CASEY  
Combat Correspondent

"Rock on Iwakuni!" shouted 12-year-old Marcus J. Allen, winner of the first ever Battle of the Guitars, as the crowd of fans cheered his name outside Marine Corps Community Service's Club Iwakuni, Saturday.

Twenty-five musicians arrived with guitars tuned and vocals warm, to compete in the four-hour event. The winner received a trip for two to Space World, provided by MCCS Iwakuni.

The competitors took stage one at a time playing songs such as "Collide" by Howie Day and "Let me go" by 3 Doors down. Then Allen took the stage and won the hearts of Iwakuni by playing "Day Tripper" by The Beatles.

"Winning Battle of the Guitars was an incredible experience," said Allen.

Residents experienced an opportunity to get up on stage to show people their skills and provide friends with musical entertainment.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Lendus B. Casey

**Gunnery Sgt. Sal Cardella performs with his band outside Marine Corps Community Service's Club Iwakuni, Saturday.**

"This event was a great opportunity for the people on base to get out and have some fun," said Larry Mask, Club Iwakuni manager. "We have a lot of good talent here and we are giving people the chance to get out and play."

The contestants played all types of music at the event from blues to rock.

"There are so many people here with talent, it

barbeque ribs, chicken, and Italian sausage with peppers. Overall the event was a success, many residents showed up to provide support and have a good time.

"This had a great turn out," said Mask. "It shows the community wants and enjoys events like this." "Hopefully, we can put a lot more events like this."

## Station Masons host 14th annual Black, White Ball

STORY AND PHOTO BY  
LANCE CPL. CRISTIN K. BARTER  
Combat Correspondent

Genesis Lodge 89, the Masonic organization aboard the Station, hosted their 14th Annual Black and White Ball in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom, Saturday.

The event was a way for the Masons to inform the community who they are and what they have been doing for them.

"We want to bring the community together and have a good time," said Master Sgt. Timothy Benton, Marine Aircraft Group 12 logistics chief and Mason. "It's a time to show community cohesion."

As avid volunteers, the Masons hosted cookouts, car washes and barbecues, which grossing \$1,300 given to the Iwakuni Scholarship Fund, Matthew C. Perry Junior ROTC

and the Boy Scouts. In the end, they provided for seven individuals, this year alone. The proceeds of this event are going to the Iwakuni Scholarship Fund.

"The purpose of the Masons is to provide hope, charity and relief to the community," said Chief Warrant Officer Marlon Porche, senior warden of Genesis Lodge 89. "We make sure a large amount of our proceeds go back into the community."

Once the room was filled with men and women in their black and white attire. The night commenced with the head table, consisting of Col. Michael Dyer, Station commanding officer, Most Worshipful Grand Master Dave Targett, grand master of the Masons in Japan, Staff Sgt. Larry D. McClain, worshipful master of Genesis Lodge, and other dignitaries entering one couple at a time.

After their grand entrance,

everyone enjoyed fine dining and speeches given by Dyer and some of the more prestigious Masons.

"Masonry is not a religion, but it is religious," Targett said. "Many of the greatest men in history were Free Masons."

As great men within the community, the Masons pride themselves on self-improvement, "We as Masons strive to take a good man and make him better," explained McClain during his closing remarks.

The night ended with everyone "required" by Porche to get on the

dance floor and dance the night away.

"The event was outstanding, very enjoyable," said Benton. "It was a night where we could all come out in

our suits and ties to have fun and give back to the community."

"I think the event was very successful," added Porche. "Everyone learned something and had a great time. The adults and children were definitely enjoying themselves during the dance portion of the night."

**Jawaun Stanley, 8, shows off his moves at the Black and White Ball hosted in the Marine Corps Community Services Club Iwakuni Ball Room, June 18.**



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ground, but they weren't able to get as thorough as they would have liked."

Although they knew the VTOL pad would not be certified for use, the Marines of MWSS-171 were not deterred from installing the pad to get the training they came out here for.

"This is giving Marines from different fields an opportunity to learn a little bit about the VTOL, so if they ever encounter one in the real world they'll be up to speed," said Gunnery Sgt. William Westerman, MWSS-171 EAF chief. "These devil dogs caught on quickly. With the amount of people we had out here I thought it would have taken a lot longer to get done. Usually we have twice as many Marines installing."

The matting was laid inside four hours, an extremely fast install time according to the EAF Marines, and then they began the final step of the process by anchoring the pad down.

Using 36 cruciform stakes pounded into the ground by a jackhammer, the pad was assured not to move even if a Harrier came in to refuel.

"Working with the VTOL out in the field is much more of an experience," said Pfc. Troy Norman, MWSS-171 EAF crewmember. "You learn to use what Mother Nature gives you because most of the time you won't have perfect ground to lay the matting on. You've got to get down on your hands and knees and move dirt where you need it. Basically you just learn to use what you've got and improvise."

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and six or radio station 1575 AM for emergency instructions and information. The Emergency Response personnel will be performing an Emergency Recall of all residents in the event of an incident. If the Station were to experience a major earthquake, it could cause the loss of electrical power, water and communication.

Injured residents must seek medical attention as soon as possible. Station residents must stay indoors and protect themselves from falling objects.

Also, do not use elevators under any circumstances. Remain calm and be aware of the EAS, which will be activated to inform everyone of further in-

structions.

In the case of a tsunami, residents should contact local family members to inform them of their location. The Emergency Broadcast Station will provide further information and instructions. Try to seek higher ground and do not drive a vehicle unless necessary.

With proper education, residents can take the correct steps to guarantee the safety of themselves and their family.

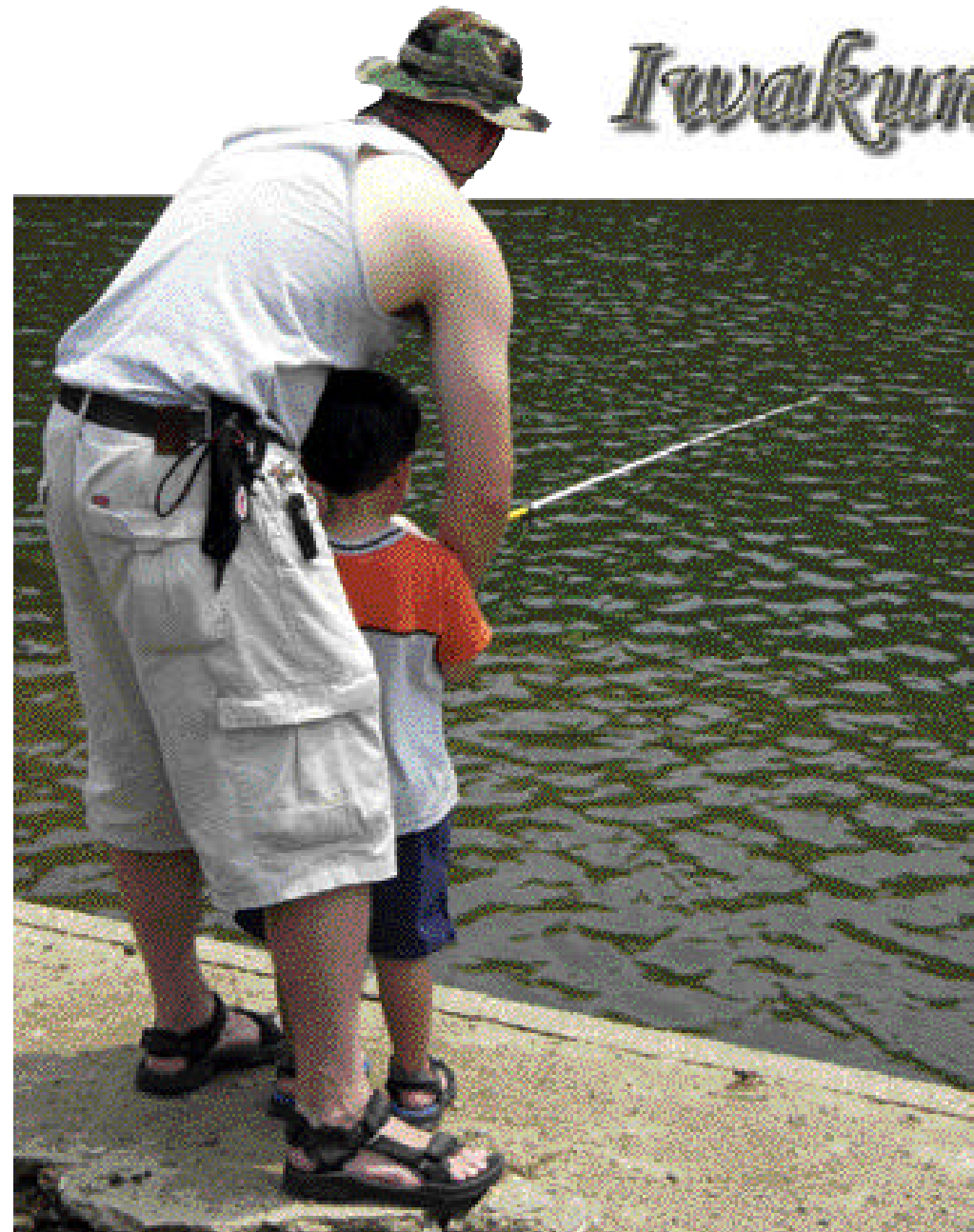
"Ensure you have a good disaster plan that is tailored to your personal and family's needs just in case the unexpected does happen," Shines explained. "Good preparation starts with educating yourself and others on what we can all do to prevent or reduce the effects of a disaster."



# Iwakuni kids cast their love for dad on

# Father's Day

Story and photos by Lance Cpl. Mark Fayloga, Operations Chief



The clouds move into the sun's path, providing shade over the lake. A breeze blows by and moves through the trees as a fishing bobber is pulled underwater. A young girl squeals with excitement as her father rushes to her aid in landing a big one.

Station fathers were treated to a day of bonding, fishing and fun during the Marine Corps Commu-

nity Services 3rd Annual Father's Day Fishing Trip at the Yasaka Ko Sports Park in Mima Town, Saturday.

It was a beautiful day and even though there were no keepers, it was hard not to smile with such wonderful weather and time to bond with family.

"I really enjoy fishing and I was hoping to get my son into fishing," said Staff Sgt. Ken T. Barnes, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 12 power plants mechanic. "Even though we didn't catch any fish worth keeping, we had a great time. He enjoyed playing with the fish, and we love doing things outdoors."

Throughout the day, it was a common scene to see fathers teaching their children something new. Whether it was how to tie a lure, cast a pole or skip rocks, it was evident that Father's Day is a holiday deserved by dads everywhere.

"I brought my dad out to fish and have fun," said Sammy Guajardo IV, 12. "My dad is special and he definitely deserves a day for everything he does for me."



Left: Staff Sgt. Ken T. Barnes, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 12 power plants mechanic, helps his son John W. Barnes, 4, reel his line in. Middle: Sammy Guajardo IV, 12, waits patiently for a fish to take his bait. Right: Master Sgt. Isiah S. McHellen, MALS-12 power plants division chief, encourages his daughter, Erika J. Walker, 10, to hold the catch of the day.

# Samurai ken: a warrior's sword

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The samurai sword has been a mystical weapon to foreigners for many years. The power and beauty of this weapon has been captured in recent Hollywood movies such as "The Last Samurai" and "Kill Bill", but the history that surrounds this instrument of death is still very hazy.

According to Japanese legend, the reason the samurai sword was developed was because samurai warriors proved to be too aggressive in combat. The swords they adopted from Korea and China couldn't withstand the punishment it withstood.

Because of this, a master swordsmith was tasked to design a durable sword that could better serve the warriors.

As legend goes, a man named Amakuni was tasked with fabricating the first samurai sword. Unfortunately, his first attempts proved futile and drew anger from the emperor.

With his reputation and family namesake on the line, Amakuni and his son prayed to the Shinto gods for seven days and nights for guidance in making a sword worthy of the samurai warriors.

Amakuni and his son shut themselves in their shop for 30 days without a jug of water and the determination to please their emperor.

When they emerged weary and hungry they had a single-edged curved sword, which they proceeded to grind and polish.

When completed, the blade was tested by driving it through a piece of metal without damaging the edge. Amakuni and his son had finally made a sword even the most ferocious samurai could not break.

The technique for making a samurai sword has been fanatically guarded since the

day Amakuni and his son emerged from their shop. Because of this secrecy very little is known of the specific techniques used, but the basics are readily available.

The first step for a swordsmith is to select iron from the highest quality. The iron is then heated, flattened and then broken in to pieces of equal size.

The pieces are gathered and placed upon a spatula of the same quality iron, heated and hammered until they are one solid lump. This lump is repeatedly pounded until the smith is certain the metal is even, and the quality of steel is to his specifications.

The metal is again pounded and then folded lengthwise, thus the curve shape of the sword. Each time the metal is folded, the smith ensures all air bubbles and dirt particles are eliminated from between the folds. If the smith fails to remove each

particle the sword may break in combat. The blade is folded 15 times, making 32,768 layers of steel. After each folding a coat of clay is put on the sword and the scraped off.

By heating and cooling the metal this way, the smith is able to give each sword unique strength, or temper. The entire blade is again heated, and plunged into water for its final tempering.

The blade is sharpened and polished by a specialist who often takes weeks to complete the task. Finally the sword is taken to an engraver, who carves intricate patterns and designs

on the blade. The finished product is considered to be one of the finest swords in the world and sits in many museums and collectors shelves.

Prices vary for an interested in obtaining one can expect to pay thousands of dollars with a long waiting period.



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**Master Swordsman Mitsuo Onazaki, Camp Zama Japanese Head Start instructor, prepares to give a demonstration on use of the samurai sword.**



## The Case of the Forty-Seven Samurai Background, Myth

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In the twelfth century, the samurai came to prominence in Japan. Fiercely loyal warriors whose duty was to protect the regional warlord to whom they owed their loyalty, they developed a stringent code of honor.

Becoming a samurai required years of education, practice, and discipline. The samurai trained themselves to be neither fearful of death nor hopeful of victory. They entered combat with a fierce intensity that was at the same time emotionless, formidable opponents who fought to the last man and won many battles on the basis of their reputation alone.

In 1701, an event involving the samurai established an enduring legend. Three warlords were summoned to the imperial shogun's court. One, knowing little of court etiquette, insulted by a lord of the shogun's court, was compelled by honor to draw his sword, subsequently wounding the man who had ridiculed his manners. To draw a sword in the presence of the shogun was an unheard of crime, however, and the shogun commanded the warlord to commit seppuku, the ritual suicide by disembowelment. The warlord, a man of honor owing complete loyalty to the shogun, obeyed.

The shogun knew well the code of the samurai, and he knew that the warlord's protectors were sworn to avenge the death of their daimyo by killing the lord who had insulted him. To prevent further bloodshed, the shogun sent his warriors to surround the warlord's castle with overwhelming force. To carry out their mission of avenging their daimyo, the forty-seven samurai made a pact and then surrendered, subsequently disavowing any obligation they felt to their dead lord. For two years, they wandered the land separately, some becoming drunkards, some hired mercenaries, some brothel operators. Their swords rusted, and they were despised by all. But after two years, they secretly assembled, assaulted the castle of the lord who had insulted their daimyo, and beheaded him. They carried his head to the daimyo's grave. Having failed to protect their lord, and having violated the dictate of their shogun not to avenge his death, each of the forty-seven, sitting in a large circle, then committed seppuku.

Such is the tradition of the samurai.

rain. For further information, call 0829-85-0411.

### Yasaka Lake Sports Festival

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

### Tsuwano Firefly Bus Tour

A bus leaves Aono pass in Tsuwano Town today and Saturday, at 8:10 p.m. to take visitors to a

mountain where fireflies can be viewed. The tour takes approximately one hour. The tour may be cancelled in case of inclement weather. Call 0856-72-1771 for more details.

### Otake Sunday Market

A market is scheduled Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Harumi Daiichi Park, next to You Me Town Otake. A flea market will be held at the same time. Nearly 100 booths will be set up to sell fresh vegetables, fish and more. This event will run rain or shine. Call 53-7175 for further information.

## OUT THE GATE

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

### Yuki Hot Spring Firefly Festival

There will be a festival held at downtown Yuki Hot Spring in Yuki Town, Hiroshima prefecture Sunday at 10 a.m. Various events are scheduled including Kagura performance, sacred music and dance, at 3 p.m. Visitors can view the fireflies after the festival ends around 7 p.m. Some events may be cancelled in case of

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priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Thursday. Torii Teller reserves the right to edit to fit space. Stop by Building 1, Room 216 to fill out a form.

### AUTOMOBILES

**Mitsubishi Delica**, 1992, 4WD van, JCI until April 2007, \$2,350. Call Maj. Reinthaler at 253-5046 dwh or e-mail to Rhinof18@yahoo.com.

**Nissan Pulsar**, 1995, 4 door sedan, auto., A/C, P/W, P/L, good condition, JCI until Feb. 2007, \$1,200. Call Bill at 253-4264 dwh or 31-8529 awl.

**Bongo "Super Custom,"** 1988, 8 passenger van, \$800. Call 253-3221 and ask for C. Carson.

**Mazda Light Mini Van**, 1994, manual/ A/C, radio/cassette, 46,250 miles, JCI until June 2006, \$900. Call A. Tanaka at 253-5323 dwh or 253-2413 awl.

**Toyota Town Ace**, 1991, manual, diesel, A/C, radio, 54,250 miles, excellent condition, JCI until Aug. 2006, \$1,000. Call A. Tanaka at 253-5323 dwh or 253-2413 awl.

**Honda Legend**, 1990, A/C, 4 door, CD player, clean, JCI until Sept. 2006, \$1,800. Call SSgt. Pelaez at 253-3409 dwh or 253-5842 awl.

**Honda Civic**, 1995, compact, clean, non-smoking, road tax/recycling fee paid, new tires, new battery, new timing belt, mi-

nor scratches, excellent condition, JCI until Aug. 2006, \$1,800. Call SSgt. Sterczewski at 253-6346 dwh or 253-2042 awl.

**Yamaha Dragstar**, 2000, 1,100cc, great condition, many after-market extras included, very smooth ride, reliable, JCI until March 2006, \$6,000 obo. Call Paul Settle at 253-2619 12-8 p.m. and leave message.

**Harley Davidson Night Train**, 2002, 1,430cc, 9,500km, screaming eagle pipes, Mustang seat, detachable back rest and gear rack, MRC clutch, saddle bags, adapter brackets (never installed), JCI until Sept. 2007, \$13,500. Call Gysgt. Anaz Stinson at 253-2898.

### OTHER ITEMS

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

**Misc.**, TV stand, \$40, Playskool activity table, like new, \$15; Fisher Price lego table, \$5; Graco Jumpster, \$15; Graco swing, six speeds and

music, \$30; 2 humidifiers, \$10 each; Double Jogging stroller, \$30. Call Tina Corbeill at 253-2498.

**Misc.**, 4 kerosene heaters, \$100; drapes for house in town, \$75 for all. Call Maj. Reinthaler at 253-5046 dwh or e-mail to Rhinof18@yahoo.com.

**Misc.**, Graco reclining adjustable wheelchair high chair, \$40; white changing table, \$60; Evenflo supersaucer, \$30; Graco baby swing, \$25; New Fisher Price baby monitor, \$25; Century infant carseat, \$20; Century convertible carseat, \$30; bouncy chair, \$8; bath tub set, \$8; baby carrier, \$8; baby walker, \$10. Call 253-2681.

**Misc.**, Nordic Track treadmill, Walk Fit, \$25. Call Mark Nedzbal at 253-5353 dwh or 253-2217 awl.

**Misc.**, assort baby items. Call Melissa Valdez at 253-4873 dwh or 253-2831 awl.

**Misc.**, bunk bed, white metal tubular frame, \$80 obo; girl's clothing, toys, books, etc., infant to age 6. Call 253-3221 and ask for C. Carson.

### JOB OPENINGS

**Matthew C. Perry**  
The following positions

are available. Applications may be picked up at the high school or elementary school main office. Call 253-5449 for more information.

- Substitute teachers. Application may take up to 10 weeks to process.  
- Special education aide. Experience as a job or employee counselor is encouraged.

- Special education and AVID aide.  
- Part-time certified mathematics, science or physical education teacher. Send resume and cover letter to:  
M.C. Perry High School  
PSC 561 Box 1874  
FPO AP96310

In addition all applicants for this position must complete an online application at www.dodea.edu to be considered.

### Central Texas College

Applied management instructor is needed. Qualifications are master's degree in business/business management or 18 graduate semester hours in business/business management field. Call 253-3631 for more details.

### CHRO (253-6828)

Go to www.iwakuni.usmc.mil/HRO/default.htm for a complete job listing. Contact CHRO, Building 1, room 104 for details.

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### CHRO

#### CHRO Training

■ **How To Catch Yourself "Leading Right"**: Aug. 24-26, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information and nominations, call 253-6834 or send e-mail to MarehamPA@iwakuni.usmc.mil. Class will be held at CHRO training room. Building 1, Room 102.

### MCCS

#### Club Iwakuni (253-5416)

■ **Hip Hop And R&B Party**: Tonight, 8 p.m. in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom. Adults only.  
■ **Country Western Party**: Saturday, 9 p.m. in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom. Adults only.  
■ **Latin Dance Party**: Saturday, 9 p.m. in the Club Iwakuni Ballroom. Adults only.

#### Single Marine Program (253-3585)

■ **Shuhodo Caves Exploration Trip**: Saturday. Bus departs the Hornet's Nest at 8 a.m.  
■ **Hornet's Nest Birthday Bash**: Today. Free burgers, hot dogs, chips and dip, sodas, raffles, cake and door prizes. The party starts at 4:30 p.m.

#### MCX (253-5641)

■ **Free Nintendo Game Cube Game**: Now through July 2, MCX patrons can buy a Nintendo Game Cube hardware system at the Exchange and receive one free game that is valued up to \$19.95. Restrictions apply. See the MCX for a list of games valid with this offer.

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

■ **Monthly Birthday Party**: Saturday, 3-5 p.m. Celebrate your birthday with cake and ice cream for everyone as we honor our members born this month.  
■ **Passport To Manhood Meeting**: Sunday, 3-5 p.m. Males ages 13-18 are invited to the Teen Center for plenty of free food and an afternoon of fun.

#### Marine and Family Services

■ **Money Management 101**: Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 253-6250 for details.  
■ **Daddy's Boot Camp/Mom's Basic Training**: Today, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Couples are encouraged to come together. We discuss fathering, child development, health and safety, budgeting for baby, postpartum, discipline and returning the couple's relationship back to normal after the baby. Call to sign up. For further details, call 253-6553.  
■ **Survival Japanese Class**: Monday through July 1, 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. Register in advance. To sign up, call 253-6165, visit Building 411, room 101, or e-mail to kiharayo@usmc-mccs.org. The class will be held in room 124.  
■ **Job Interview Skills**: Thursday, 9-11 a.m. Learn how to dress properly, answer and ask questions, prepare and follow-up effectively. Call 253-6439 to sign up.  
■ **PCS With Success Workshop**: Thursday, 1-3 p.m. The Station's departments provide tips to help you prepare for your return to the United States or transfer to your next duty station. For further information, call 253-3311.  
■ **Teaching English Tips**: Tuesday, 9-10:30 a.m. Learn local procedures and restrictions for teaching English. Call 253-6439 for details.  
■ **Dial-A-Story**: Call 253-6607 to listen to a short story. The story changes every Monday and lasts two to three minutes.  
■ **Children's Story Time**: At the library. Children up to 2-years-old meet Thursdays, 10-10:45 a.m. Children ages 3-5 meet Fridays, 10-10:45 a.m. Call 253-3078 to confirm. Children listen to stories and enjoy activities such as singing and crafts. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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#### IT&T (253-4377)

■ **Universal Studios**: Saturday. On this trip, Dad's bus seat costs only \$15 instead of \$59. Explore downtown Osaka and have fun at the Universal Studios Theme Park.

## MOVIE SCHEDULE

### SAKURA THEATER

**FRIDAY** - 7 p.m. Mr. And Mrs. Smith (PG-13); 10 p.m. Kingdom Of Heaven (R)  
**SATURDAY** - 1 p.m. Madagascar (PG); 4 p.m. Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy (PG); 7 p.m.; House Of Wax (R); 10 p.m. Kingdom Of Heaven (R)  
**SUNDAY** - 4 p.m. Hitchhiker's Guide To The Galaxy (PG); 7 p.m. Mr. And Mrs. Smith (PG-13)  
**MONDAY** - 7 p.m. House Of Wax (R)  
**TUESDAY** - 7 p.m. XXX: State Of The Union (PG-13)  
**WEDNESDAY** - 7 p.m. Mr. And Mrs. Smith (PG-13)  
**THURSDAY** - 7 p.m. King's Ransom (PG-13)

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

### MCTV CHANNEL 19

**FRIDAY** - 8 a.m. Babe (G); 11 a.m./5 p.m. The Fighting Temptations (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Alien vs. Predator (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Bridget Jones: Edge Of Reason

(R); 2 a.m. Demolition Man (R)  
**SATURDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Garfield (PG); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Cat Woman (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Alone In The Dark (R); 2 a.m. Butterfly Effect (R)  
**SUNDAY** - 11 a.m./5 p.m. Cellular (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Hitch (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. I Heart Huckabee (R); 2 a.m. Bad Company (R)  
**MONDAY** - 8 a.m. The Great Mouse Detective (G); 11 a.m./5 p.m. Batman And Robin (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. Paparazzi (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. White Noise (R); 2 a.m. Garden State (PG-13)  
**TUESDAY** - 8 a.m. Harry Potter: Prisoner Of Azkaban (PG); 11 a.m./5 p.m. A Beautiful Mind (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. The Village (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Thelma And Louise (R); 2 a.m. Changing Lanes (R)  
**WEDNESDAY** - 8 a.m. Black Cauldron (PG); 11 a.m./5 p.m. Evolution (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. History Of The World: Part I (R); 2 a.m. Air Force One (R)  
**THURSDAY** - 8 a.m. Catch That Kid (PG); 11 a.m./5 p.m. Taxi (PG-13); 2 p.m./8 p.m. The Flight Of The Phoenix (PG-13); 11 p.m./5 a.m. Open Water (R); 2 a.m. Bandits (PG-13)

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## Nihongo de...

### 基地内で警報機が鳴っても、落ち着いて

岩国基地緊急警報システムは、テロの脅威や自然災害、CBRN-E（化学・生物・放射性物質・核兵器・強化高性能爆薬兵器）による脅威や大規模災害等が発生した場合に、基地内住人について、どのように対応するべきかを知らせるために稼働している。

「最も重要なことは、最悪の事態を想定して常時準備しておくことである。」と岩国基地、緊急災害対策課、エマージェンシー・マネージャのジョー・シャインズ氏は話す。「準備しておけば、恐怖や不安が取り除かれる。新しい基地に赴任したら、最初の1ヶ月以内に計画や準備を早急に始めるべきである。準備をするのに遅すぎることはない。」

まず最初に、どのような災害が起こった場合でも、緊急電話番号の911は被災者からの電話が殺到するということを覚えておく必要がある。絶対に必要な場合を除き、基地住人は電話の使用を控え、基地緊急放送システムのチャンネル5から、またはラジオのAM1575に合わせ、緊急時の指示や情報を得ること。災害や事故が起こった場合、基地住人（従業員を含む）の安否は緊急時対応要員によって確認される。

仮に岩国基地で大きな地震が起こるようなことがあれば、基地内の電力、給水、通信機能が失われるであろう。負傷した住人はできるだけ早急に医師の診察を受ける必要がある。基地住人は室内にとどまって、落下物から身を護ること。また、どのような状況でもエレベータは使用してはいけない。落ち着いて緊急放送システムを聞き、その後の指示に従うこと。

津波発生時は、岩国地域にいる家族と連絡をとり、自分の居場所を知らせること。その後の指示と情報は緊急放送システムを通じて提供される。高い場所をめざし、必要でない限り、車の運転はしないこと。

正しい知識があれば、自分と家族の安全を保証する適切な措置をとることができる。「予測しなかったことが起こった場合に備えて、自分や家族の必要にあった正しい災害対策計画を確保すること。」とシャインズ氏は説明する。「十分な準備とは、災害の影響を防いだり減らすために何が出来るかを自分自身や他人に教育することから始まる。」

### III MEF General addresses concerns of Station Marines

Cpl. Robert W. Wynkoop, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron American Forces Network production noncommissioned officer in charge, addresses Lt. Gen. Robert R. Blackman Jr., commanding general, III Marine Expeditionary Force, about the Liberty Card slide show at a lunch in, Tuesday. Marines were given the opportunity to have lunch with Blackman and ask questions concerning the Marine Corps.



Photo by Lance Cpl. Cristin K. Bartter

## Mess Hall Lunch Menu



### Week Of June 27 - July 1

**Monday** – Beef with Bacon Soup, Shrimp Gumbo Soup, Seafood Newburg, Country Style Steak, Oven Glo Potatoes, Macaroni and Cheese, Hush Puppies, Broccoli Combo, Wax Beans, Dinner Rolls  
**Tuesday** – Tomato Soup, Vegetable Soup, Lasagna, Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes, Toasted Garlic Bread, Whole Kernel

Corn, Mixed Vegetables, Chicken Gravy, Cheese Biscuits  
**Wednesday** – French Onion Soup, Cream of Broccoli Soup, Baked Tuna Noodles, Bratwurst with Sauerkraut, Garlic Roasted Potatoes, Carrots, Mixed Vegetables, Hot Dinner Rolls  
**Thursday** – New England Clam Chowder Soup, Split Pea Soup, Chicken Parmesan, Italian Sausage, Buttered Pasta, Oven Browned Potatoes, Eggplant Parmesan, Cauliflower Gumbo, Alfredo Sauce, Marinara Sauce, Garlic Bread  
**Friday** – Bean Soup with Cured Ham Hock, Chicken Gumbo, Southern Style Fried Catfish, Chicken Cacciatore, German Griddle Cakes, Steamed Rice, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Southern Style Greens, Jalapeno Corn Bread

## CHAPEL RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### Roman Catholic

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

### Protestant

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

### Cooperative Chapel Ministries

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

## LAY LED RELIGIOUS SERVICES

### Jewish

Friday  
 6 p.m. Shabbat Service

### Seventh-Day Adventist

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

### Episcopal

Sunday  
 7 p.m. Worship Service

### Church of Christ

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

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

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

## OTHER SERVICES

### Islamic

Friday  
 12 p.m. Prayer

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

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Vacation Bible School for preschoolers through sixth graders will be held at the Station Chapel Aug. 1-5, from 6-8 p.m. Children can register at the foyer of the Chapel. For more information, call Carol Nash at 253-4323 dwh or 21-8043 awh.



Photos by Lance Cpl. Cristin K. Bartter

Joshua Johnson, Crew Dawgs first baseman, blasts the ball far into left field in the varsity softball game versus Hitmen, June 15.

# Crew Dawgs ravage Hitmen, 15-5

LANCE Cpl. LENDUS B. CASEY  
 Combat Correspondent

The Crew Dawgs closed out their second to last game of the season in a dominating victory over the Hitmen, 15-5, at the Main Field, June 15.

With a league record of 14-4, the Crew Dawgs went into the softball game against the Hitmen confident they would win. Crew Dawgs' head coach, Joseph Beall, was ready for anything against Hitmen in their last game of the varsity softball league season.

"We played as a team and we hit the ball," said Beall. "That's what it all boils down to, just hitting the ball."

Each team started off strong, as the score sat with Hitmen leading 5-4 in the bottom of the first inning. Unfortu-

nately, the Hitmen couldn't keep their lead over the Crew Dawgs for long. In the second inning, Crew Dawgs shut out Hitmen preventing them from getting any more runs.

"It was a good turning point in the top of the 2nd inning when we shut them down on offense and didn't let anyone score," said Joshua Johnson, Crew Dawgs first baseman. "We played great defense in the top half and that carried over when we started hitting in the bottom half and really got the momentum shifted in our favor. Other than that, we played really smart ball and came out wanting to win to get the right mindset for the playoffs."

Crew Dawgs kept up with the momentum and jumped even further ahead in the bottom of the 3rd with a total of four runs, leaving Hitmen

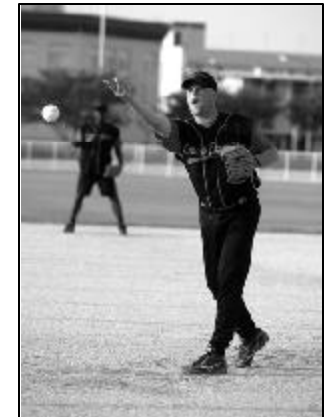
trailing by 10-5 struggling to catch up.

"It's very rare for us to lose by a blowout, said Daniel A. Pena, Hitmen first baseman. "When we play we are usually winning by the 3rd inning."

The game was finally won after the Crew Dawgs scored five runs in the 5th inning, leaving Hitmen in the dust. This enabled the mercy rule, which is if another team falls behind by ten or more runs, the other team wins.

"They were just in our way to the playoffs so we had to knock them out of the way fast," said Shawn Rubino, Crew Dawgs left fielder.

Shrugging the loss off as a fluke, Pena now has an itch to scratch with the Crew Dawgs in the future. "We are still in the playoffs, so we will be more than ready next time we face them," said Pena.



Joseph Beall, Crew Dawgs pitcher and coach, throws a belt high strike to Hitmen in their game.

# IWAKUNI SPORTS SCENE

## VARSITY BASKETBALL

Teams play in Hikari City Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 253-5777.

## SUMMER SOFTBALL

Coaches meet at 9:30 a.m. in the IronWorks Gym Wellness Room Tuesday. Call 253-5777 for details.

## GEAR ISSUE

Outdoor Recreation lends gear for camping, sporting and picnics for all seasons at no cost for three days. The gear includes tents, sleeping bags, coolers, water jugs, propane stoves, propane lanterns, electric lanterns, backpacks, ISO mats, tables, chairs, canoes and kayaks for rivers, lakes, and dams and much more. All items are available year-round. Ocean kayaks, jet skis and a pontoon party boat can be rented at the Marina. Outdoor

Recreation is open during the weekdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and weekends 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## SWEAT PROGRAM (STRENGTH, WELLNESS EDUCATION & AEROBICS TRAINING)

This new program at the IronWorks Gym is designed to help active duty remedial personnel who need to lose body fat, increase their physical fitness test scores and become healthier. The program includes a MicroFit Assessment, weekly weigh-ins (by request), monthly body fat testing, weight management lectures, President's Challenge and attendance and progress tracking reports. Enrollment is open continuously. Call 253-5051 for details.

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES

If you are interested in having a bowling birthday party, stop by the Bowling Center for details or call 253-4657.

# Primo Box slay Dragons, 25-15



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The Marine Aircraft Group 12 team, Primo Box, maintained its undefeated status in the Intramural Summer Basketball League after an uncharacteristic game against Combat Service Support Detachment 36, Dragons, at the Marine Corps Community Services IronWorks Gym, June 17.

The action started with the opening tip-off, but sadly didn't pick back up until later in the game. After many unsuccessful ventures up and down the court by both teams, the scoreboard came to life with a free throw by Chad L. Bowler, Primo Box center.

The rate of game play continued with both teams combined only averaging less than one point every two minutes.

"Both teams had a very strong defense that night," said Glenn P. McNamara, Dragons assistant coach and player. "It was just a case of both defenses outplaying the other team's offense."

It was a close match at the end of the first half with Primo Box up by one going into halftime. With a score that closely resembled a football game, 8-7, both teams knew they needed to start producing more baskets, if they wanted to win.

"The first half went extremely slow because it was the first time our team had played together, so we were trying to find our rhythm," said Isaac H. Friend, Primo Box coach and player. "At the half, we decided to put in our best players and get some points on the board, before it was too late."

The second half seemed as if it would be a carbon copy of the first until finally, after five minutes of scoreless game play, Primo Box broke into double digits when Ralph C. Morrison, Primo Box point guard, sank consecutive free-throws to put the score at 10-7. During the latter portion of the second half, the game picked up and Primo Box started putting together an impressive streak. With Primo Box gearing up to run away with the win, the Dragons answered back.

McNamara, Dragons assistant coach and player, took charge of his team and sank back-to-back threes to bring the Dragons within a few baskets of Primo Box. Unfortunately, he couldn't do it alone. McNamara accounted for seven of the eight points scored by the Dragons in the second half. The inability of the Dragons to score as a team allowed Primo Box to easily seal the W.

Primo Box controlled the ball for the last few minutes of the game waiting for the clock to tick down to their victory. Morrison led Primo Box in the second half sinking four field goals and three free throws.



LEFT: David Aleman, Dragons point guard, watches his shot soar toward the hoop as Primo Box defenders reach to stop the shot. ABOVE: Ralph C. Morrison, Primo Box point guard, dishes the rock to an open teammate during a regular season game, June 17.