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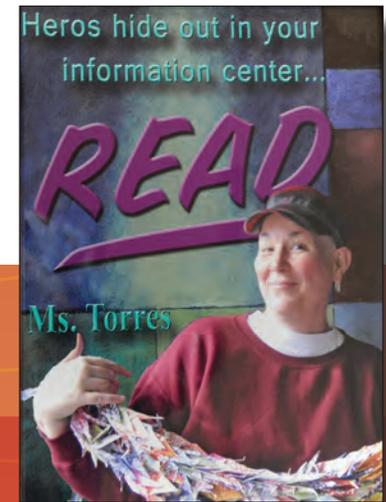


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Camp Zama's new Skills Development Center will hold its grand opening Sept. 7. Come out for a first look at the multi-use facility. **SEE PAGE 4**

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GOTEMBA CITY, Japan – Fireballs are produced by a pair of Type 74 battle tanks as they fire rounds Aug. 26 during the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force's annual Fuji Firepower Demonstration at the JGSDF East Fuji Maneuver Area. The event has been open to the public since 1966 and features more than 2,000 JGSDF members demonstrating their tactical capabilities through the use of 80 tanks and armored vehicles, 80 artillery pieces and 30 aircraft. This year's demonstration drew more than 76,000 spectators, including senior leaders from U.S. Army Japan and U.S. Army Garrison Japan, over the course of the three-day event. **U.S. Army photo by Dustin Perry** **SEE MORE, PAGE 8**

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A new age for Japan news

Rising Sun newspaper to make its new home online

By Dustin Perry
Editor

After a brief but fruitful existence as the latest incarnation of U.S. Army Japan's official command information publication, the *Rising Sun* newspaper will make a committed – most would say inevitable – shift into the Digital Age by becoming an online-exclusive news site.

The Sept. 20 issue will be the final printed edition of the *Rising Sun*, after which all news and feature content such as articles, photos and videos from throughout USARJ and its tenant units will be hosted at www.army.mil/RisingSun, a dedicated page on the Army's official website.

The page is already live and features links to more than a dozen of the most recent articles and videos produced by journalists and broadcasters assigned to Honshu and Okinawa. The intent is for the *Rising Sun* page to become the new go-to source for informative, engaging and timely news on the Army in Japan. This goal is succinctly expressed in a banner headline near the top of the page: "The Army's Home in the Land of the Rising Sun."

A number of factors led to the decision for this change, including cost issues, readership data and customer feedback. However, the most immediate and obvious reason centered on the desire to deliver the most up-to-date content via what has become – and will likely remain – the

world's leading outlet for information: the Internet.

Since the birth of modern journalism, it has been the core responsibility of news organizations, regardless of their preferred format or affiliation, to provide the public with objective explanations of world events. But it is not enough for the news to just be accurate anymore – it must be *fast*.

This constant need for new content first became evident with the rise of the 24-hour news cycle. In recent years, that landscape once dominated by TV networks like CNN has expanded to include a network of online sources like Facebook, Twitter and RSS feeds.

Most remaining military news publications are printed on a weekly, semimonthly, monthly or even quarterly basis. While there has never been a question about the quality of the content produced by the Army's vast team of experienced Soldier and civilian journalists, the issue of timeliness is indisputable.

The constraints inherent in smaller Army Public Affairs Offices, be they budgetary or manpower-related, leave the printed products of even the most productive and dedicated news staffs – and, more importantly, their customers – at least seven days behind the curve.

It is also impossible to ignore the influence of both modern technology and social media on how people today get their information. Home computers, smartphones and digital tablets are becoming increasingly ubiquitous. Major

corporations are devoting more money and resources to expanding their reach to a customer base that spends a significant amount of time online.

With www.army.mil/RisingSun, the U.S. Army Garrison Japan command information team now has a way to provide the USARJ and Army communities with the same extensive coverage of news and community events, but via a much more immediate avenue. Visitors can expect regular updates to the most recent top stories, as well as embedded videos and links to other official USAG-J resources such as the unit's Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Flickr, and Vimeo pages.

Much of the same content can be found on the official USAG-J website, www.usagj.jp.pac.army.mil, as well as a News slideshow, a live feed of the unit's Facebook Wall, and archives of the *Rising Sun* print edition. The website also has a searchable phone directory, information for newcomers, weather updates and a wealth of other resources.

The *Rising Sun*, known as the *Torii* and USARJ *Challenger* before that, was in print for more than four decades. During its existence, the newspaper and its staff were recognized numerous times at the Pacific-, Installation Management Command- and Army-wide level for journalistic excellence. Though the online transition and end of the printed edition are significant changes, the current staff fully intends to maintain that reputation for integrity and standard of professionalism.



Check this out

A ceremonial check was presented Aug. 22 at U.S. Army Japan headquarters to honor donations raised by Honshu Army units for the Family Support and Youth Services Program through the Combined Federal Campaign program. Last year, U.S. Army units in Honshu raised 47 percent more than the CFC pre-campaign goal, and units on Okinawa had the highest participation rate for any Pacific Command unit. **U.S. Army photo by Kiyoshi Tokeshi**

U.S. Army Japan Soldiers take part in Sagamihara disaster drill

By Tetsuo Nakahara
Photo Editor

SAGAMIHARA, Japan – U.S. Army Japan's participation in the Sagamihara City Disaster Drill Sept. 2 at Fuchinobe Park here helped maintain a strong relationship with the local community in case of a disaster, officials said.

The Sagamihara disaster drill is an annual event for the city that takes place on the first Sunday of every September. Every emergency relief and disaster assistance organization within the city participates in to raise awareness for disaster preparedness.

The drill was based on a scenario in which a 6.9-magnitude earthquake struck Sagamihara, and responses included rescue operations, decontamination efforts, and firefighting training. More than 1,200 personnel took part in the exercise.

"It is important to get all of the small [first-response] branches together and have a joint exercise like this," said Kunihiko Takanashi, chief of the Sagamihara City Risk Management Office. "The capabilities the U.S. Army has for disaster-relief response is very critical for Sagamihara citizens in the event of a disaster, and their assistance strengthens our ability to manage disasters. We are hoping to build on our good relationship with them."

USARJ had an information booth on site with the panels featuring photos from Operation Tomodachi and other rescue activities related to the earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan in March 2011, as well as a brief on a recently completed medical exercise at the Army's nearby Sagami General Depot. A Humvee was



Soldiers assigned to the 325th Combat Support Hospital from Missouri interact with Sagamihara citizens in front of a Humvee at Fuchinobe Park Sept. 2 during the Sagamihara City Disaster Drill. **U.S. Army photo by Tetsuo Nakahara**

also on display to show the vehicle's many functions during humanitarian assistance and disaster relief efforts.

Soldiers assigned to USARJ's I Corp (Forward) and the 325th Combat Support Hospital from Missouri attended the event to interact with community members and hand out informative brochures.

Last October, an agreement known as the Memorandum of Understanding of Disaster Preparedness and Disaster Response Operations was signed jointly by officials from U.S. Army Japan and the installation's neighboring Sagamihara and

Zama cities as a means to enhance mutual assistance in the event of a disaster.

"Last year's agreement opened a door for us," said Maj. Randall Baucom, chief of USARJ Public Affairs. "It made for a better bilateral exchange with local governments, both in Sagamihara and Zama cities. This is to foster better cooperation and an understanding of each other's capabilities, and I think our participation in the disaster drill signifies the importance of the agreement and shows we are united in this partnership for disaster relief and humanitarian assistance."

USARJ are also participated in disaster drills in Zama City and at the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Sept. 1, and with the Shizuoka Prefectural Government Sept. 2.

"It was good to see the U.S. Army joining our local disaster drills, and I am eager to see them participate more in these kinds of drills," said Yuichi Enari, a Sagamihara citizen. "The U.S. Army is a very reliable partner and neighbor, especially in the event of a disaster, so I think we should maintain that good relationship and this training."

Missouri Reserve unit completes medical exercise at Sagami Depot

By Sgt. 1st Class Rodney Jackson
18th MEDCOM Public Affairs

Reserve Soldiers assigned to a medical unit from Missouri took part in a mass casualty exercise for disaster relief held Aug. 27 through 31 at Sagami General Depot.

Members of the 325th Combat Support Hospital, 139th Medical Brigade, 807th Medical Command (Deployment Support), based in Independence, Mo., escorted numerous visitors through an 84-bed combat support hospital the unit built from the ground up a week prior, during U.S. Army Pacific's Medical Exercise 2012.

Medical Exercise 2012, or MEDEX 12, is a multi-component, joint-service, bilateral exercise hosted by the 18th Medical Command (Deployment Support). This is the second year that the 18th MEDCOM has hosted MEDEX, and the first year in more than a decade that a combat support hospital has been set up on Sagami Depot during the event.

The 325th CSH worked hand-in-hand with the Medical Support Squadron, Yokota Air Base Hospital medical team, and had acting patients moved by helicopter and ambulance from the base to the hospital site to demonstrate the receipt of patients in the event of a natural disaster in the area.

"The mass casualty exercise went well and it was an interesting and realistic experience to have the Japanese reporters out there ... [and] unexpected adjustments made by the Air Force that expanded the event," said Col. Michael Banton, deputy chief of clinical services for the 325th CSH. "There wasn't a sense of chaos. Everything



Reserve Soldiers assigned to the 325th Combat Support Hospital, deployed from Independence, Mo., work on patients in an 84-bed combat support hospital the unit built from the ground up a week prior, during a mass casualty exercise for disaster relief held Aug. 27 through 31 at Sagami General Depot. **U.S. Army photo by Sgt. 1st Class Rodney Jackson**

went in an orderly manner, which is exactly what we were trying to accomplish."

Col. Todd Clow, deputy chief of clinical services for the 325th, who was responsible for hospital operations, described the performance of the unit as "outstanding," considering the unit's reduced personnel strength.

"Typically we would have almost double the amount of Soldiers to help set up, and nurse anesthetists helped pound in stacks and put up tents," said Clow.

He went on to say that the 84-bed hospital is there because it is readily expandable.

"We have 164 personnel, and a full complement of a 144-bed combat support hospital has more than 480 Soldiers," said Clow. "The point I'm making here is that the Soldiers who have been here on the ground have been really working hard and doing things that they don't necessarily do. We had a time table to meet and despite the heat, they did it."

Celebration of life for Teresa Torres

By Tetsuo Nakahara
Photo Editor

"Teresa was someone who really cared about the school and students always, and you are never going to find anyone more dedicated than her."

This is how Mary Fernandez, a teacher at Arnn Elementary School, described her co-worker and close friend as she reminisced about her time spent with Teresa Torres, formerly an information specialist and librarian at Arnn.

Torres died July 20 while in Oklahoma, in the company of her husband Fernando and her parents, "after a long and courageous battle with a serious illness," according to a Department of Defense Education Activity news release. She was 53 years old.

"She brought great joy and professionalism to work every day, and she was an inspiration to all who knew her," said Arnn Principal Missy Gingrich.

Torres was an educator who supported her students in many roles, such as a classroom teacher, a leader of school-wide improvement, the designer and creator of Arnn's yearbook, a Geography Bee facilitator, and countless other areas. She was especially passionate about instilling in her students a love for reading. She developed various programs to encourage students to read and spread the importance of reading throughout the school.

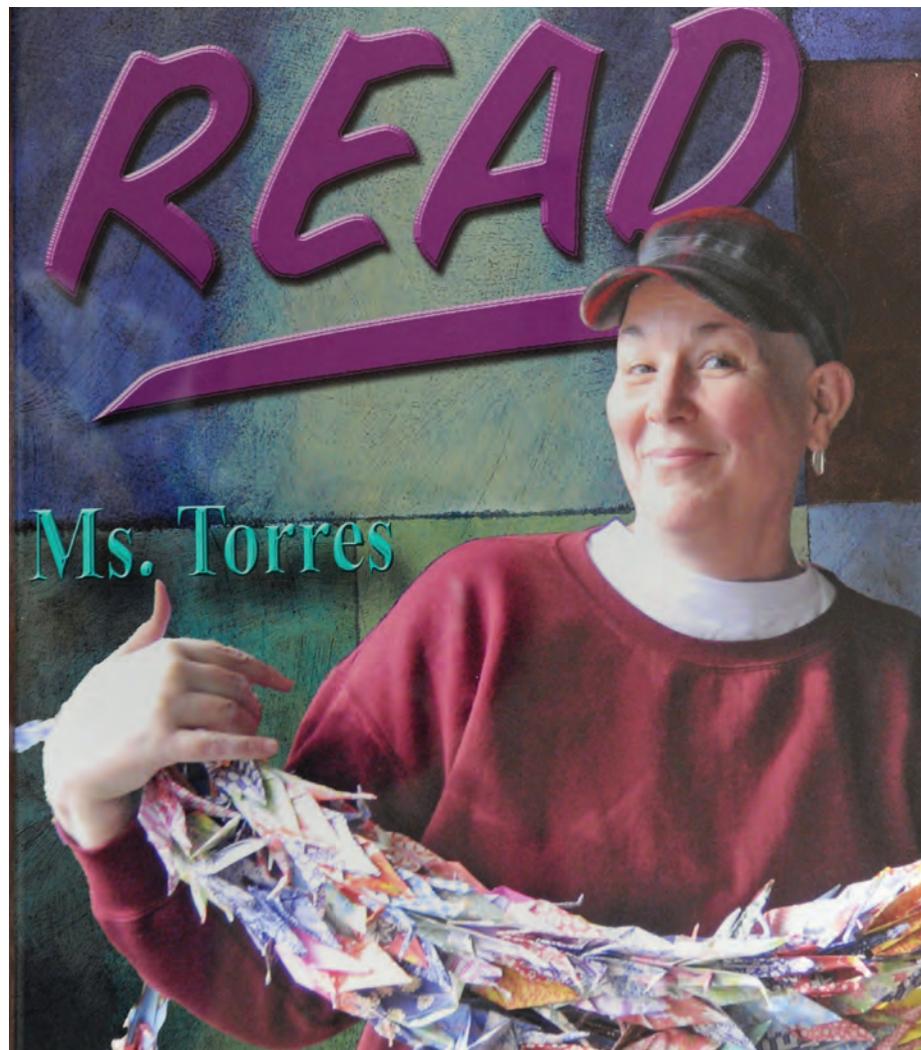
Torres began her 26-year career as an educator in her home state of Oklahoma. Her first teaching experience for DoDEA was at Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines. After the eruption of Mount Pinatubo there in 1991, she relocated to Arnn.

Torres was an integral part of the Arnn family for more than 16 years, Gingrich said. The principal mentioned that the parents of several of her students told her Torres was often referred to as the "butterfly teacher," for how she nurtured the children and helped them grow throughout each school year.

"Parents, two years before their children were to be enrolled, contacted the school saying, 'I want my child in the butterfly teacher's class,'" said Gingrich. "She was that kind of teacher and that kind of person for everything she did. It is a true loss for us here."

A memorial service for Torres was held Aug. 28 at the Arnn Information Center, where more than 70 faculty members, students and their parents were in attendance to celebrate her life and contributions to the school. The facility was renamed the Torres Information Center.

"Someone told me that Teresa used to say, 'Live your life ... if you want to do things, go out and do them,'" said Fernandez. "She was a very strong person. The school was really important to her and she was very honest and hardworking. And I miss her very much."



A picture of Teresa Torres is displayed at the Arnn Elementary library, which was renamed the Torres Information Center in honor of Teresa Torres. She was an integral part of the Arnn ES family for more than 16 years. U.S. Army photo by Tetsuo Nakahara

Upcoming Ongoing Events

Flu Shots Offered at Camp Zama

Flu shots will be offered by U.S. Army Medical Department Activity-Japan on the following date, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.:

- Oct. 13: at the Camp Zama Community Club, for active-duty Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, and family members.

Call 263-4028 for more information.

U.S. Army Garrison Japan Golf Tournament

U.S. Army Garrison Japan will host a golf tournament Sept. 13 at the Camp Zama Golf Course, with a tee time of 10 a.m. The event is open to all USAG-J employees, and the fee is \$15 (payable at the Pro Shop), which includes golf cart usage and a box lunch (club and show rentals will be available.) The deadline for entry is Sept. 7. Call 263-3694 for more information.

Skills Development Center Grand Opening

Camp Zama's new multiple-use facility containing the Auto Skills Center, Arts and Crafts Center, Military Clothing Sales and Army Supply Center will have its grand opening Sept. 7. There will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony starting at 4:30 p.m., free cake and refreshments at 4:45 p.m., and the opportunity to get a first-time look at the facilities at 5 p.m.

Online Academic Skills Course

The Online Academic Skills Course, formerly known as the FAST Class, is scheduled to be held Sept. 10 at the Camp Zama Education Center. Taking the course can help improve one's General Technical score, or GT. Call 263-5311 to register for the course.

9/11 Prayer Breakfast at Camp Zama

A 9/11 Prayer Breakfast will be held Sept. 11 beginning at 6:30 a.m. at the Camp Zama Community Club. Chaplain (Col.) Gary Hensley, the command chaplain for U.S. Army Japan, will be the guest speaker. Free American breakfast tickets will be available through unit chaplains and the U.S. Army Garrison Japan Chaplain's office by calling 263-4898.

ACS Job, Career Fair

A job and career fair will be held Sept. 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Eda's Place at the Camp Zama Community Club. The event is open to all Status of Forces Agreement personnel and their family members. Employment representatives from several organizations on the installation will be present. Call 263-8091 for more information.

Spiritual Orientation Tour

A Spiritual Orientation Tour, sponsored by the U.S. Army Garrison Japan Chaplain's Office, will be held Sept. 21 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The tour includes a visit to two Buddhist sites: the Daibutsu or "Great Buddha" statue, and Hase Kannon Temple. Also included is a stop at the Hachiman-gu Shrine, the main Shinto shrine of Kamakura. Remember to bring yen for lunch, admission fee and souvenirs. Sign up at the USAG-J Chaplain's Office, or call 263-4898 for more information.

Zama Killer Katanas' September Bout

The next roller derby bout for the all-female Zama Killer Katanas will be held Sept. 22 at Camp Zama's outdoor skate rink. The bout will begin at 5:30 p.m., and there will be an all-ages costume contest at halftime. Email president@zamakillerkatanas.com for more information, or visit www.zamakillerkatanas.com.

What's Happening Outside the Gate?



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Bonsai & Greenery Fairs @ Asabu-Juban, Tokyo, Sept. 8 and 9

<http://metropolis.co.jp/features/advertorial-special/angyo-bonsai-festival/> <http://metropolis.co.jp/features/advertorial-special/angyo-bonsai-festival/>

The Japan Beer Festival @ Yokohama Osanbashi Hall, Sept. 15 - 17

Sri Lanka Festival @ Yoyogi Park, Tokyo, Sept. 8 and 9

Vietnam Festival @ Yoyogi Park, Tokyo, Sept. 15 - 17

Traditional Japanese Horseback Archery Demonstration @ Tsurugaoka Hachimangu Shrine, Kamakura City, Sept. 16

Yosakoi Dance Performance Festival @ JR Yokohama Line, Kobuchi Sta., Sept. 16

The Yosakoi Festival originated in Kochi Prefecture on Shikoku Island. Dancers hold a clapper called a "naruko" in both their hands and are danced to music called "yosakoi-bushi."

Soldiers teach English on Okinawa

Volunteers from 505th Quartermaster Bn. take part in Sobe Summer English Program

By Lauren Hall

USAG Torii Station Public Affairs

TORII STATION, Okinawa – Ten Soldiers assigned to units on Okinawa are currently taking part in the Sobe Summer English Program to help teach English to local school children during their summer break.

The program runs twice a week for four weeks and is designed to help the students learn English and improve their communication skills.

The students, who range in age from 5 to 11, have thus far been taught the letters of the English alphabet, the numbers one through 100, and an expansive vocabulary of fruits and vegetables that include not only common words like “apple,” “orange” and “corn,” but also more difficult ones including “persimmon” and “asparagus.”

The students were taught by the Soldiers to ask questions such as, “Do you like strawberries?” They also learned to identify and pronounce body features including the knee, face, shoulder, feet, eye, ear, nose and elbow.

The program is part of U.S. Army Garrison Torii Station’s community relations outreach plan.

“It is a great opportunity for both the Soldiers and the students,” said Yumi Uchima, a community relations specialist. “By volunteering, the Soldiers not only support the English program, but they also help promote the understanding and friendship between the U.S. Army and the local community.”

The students also learned about different foods and how to order from a menu.

“They played a grocery-shopping game and learned how to say things like, ‘I want spaghetti. How much is it?’” said Uchima.

The Soldiers taught the students other games such as Hokey Pokey, Bingo and Fruit Basket.

“It’s really fun playing games with the kids and helping them learn to speak English,” said Staff Sgt. Jarrod Ryan,



Sgt. Natasha Lam, right, assigned to the 505th Quartermaster Battalion, teaches students taking part in the Sobe Summer English Program, a four-week program in which she and other Soldiers teach English to Japanese children. **U.S. Army photo by Lauren Hall**

assigned to 505th Quartermaster Battalion.

Sgt. Natasha Lam, also assigned to the 505th, said she appreciated her inaugural opportunity to participate in the teaching program.

“This is a great opportunity to be able to hang out

with the kids and help them learn English,” said Lam. “It’s really nice to learn the difference between the Japanese and American cultures. If anyone has the opportunity to volunteer for this program, you should do it. I had a great time.”

8th TSC commander visits ordnance unit in Kure

By Sgt. 1st Class Howard Reed

10th RSG Public Affairs

TORII STATION, Okinawa – The commander of the 8th Theater Sustainment Command visited a unit in Kure, Japan, to observe how the Soldiers assigned there conduct ammunition operations from their headquarters in the southern prefecture of Hiroshima.

The Aug. 15 visit to the 83rd Ordnance Battalion was the first for Maj. Gen. Stephen R. Lyons since he took command of the 8th TSC two months ago.

Lt. Col. Kevin D. McCarley, commander of the 83rd Ord. Bn., said although his unit is more than 6,500 miles from the 8th TSC in Hawaii, Lyons’ visit was of significance for the command team, but more important to his Soldiers.

“We’re kind of in a remote location and this lets us know that we’re not forgotten,” said McCarley. “It shows that our higher headquarters cares about the unit, its mission and the entire organization.”

McCarley also added that the general’s visit to southern mainland Japan emphasizes the importance of the unit’s strategic value for the U.S. Army Pacific.

Lyons had the opportunity to see two



Lt. Col. Kevin McCarley, commander of the 83rd Ordnance Battalion, points out Akizuki Depot to Maj. Gen. Stephen R. Lyons, commander of the 8th Theater Sustainment Command, and Col. Sheila Bryant, commander of the 10th Regional Support Group. Lyons visited to get a look at how the 83rd conducts ammunition operations from its headquarters. **U.S. Army photo by Sgt. 1st Class Howard Reed**

of the depot facilities at Hiroshima and Kawakami. At each location, the general said he gained insight regarding the unit’s

operations as he witnessed the teamwork between the Soldiers, Department of Defense civilians and local national

employees.

Lyons said he also wanted the Soldiers to know they were “doing great things, but [to] remember their presence in the area extends beyond the depots and piers.”

“You have a big role for U.S. Army in Japan,” Lyons told the Soldiers. “Always remember, you’re ambassadors as well. Continue going out and getting to know your neighbors.”

The 83rd operates a total of four depots in Japan: three in the Hiroshima Prefecture and one on Okinawa. The unit supports the Pacific Command’s full spectrum of operations and the Joint Munitions Command’s maintenance and demilitarization programs.

The unit operates the Department of Defense Explosive Safety Board’s burn site for small-caliber rounds and range brass. It also conducts maintenance to include replacing components, painting, remarking and repackaging a wide variety of munitions.

More than 30 Soldiers are assigned to the 83rd between both locations. The headquarters at Akizuki is situated on 2.9 acres of land to include a Morale, Welfare and Recreation facility with a fitness center, lodging and barracks and a restaurant.

Classified ads not pertaining to commercial profit are free to military personnel, DA civilians, family members and MLC/IHA employees. Ads should be 20 words or less with non-workplace email or phone numbers listed. To submit a classified ad, email tetsuo.nakahara4.ln@mail.mil. However, the *Rising Sun* reserves the right not to publish inappropriate advertisements. **Deadline is no later than noon Mondays.**

Jobs

Appropriated Fund (APF) and Nonappropriated Fund (NAF) job vacancies are available for viewing at www.armycivilianservice.com and www.usajobs.com. To apply for vacancy positions, applicant(s) must apply through one of those website. For submitting applications/resumes, please read the 'How To Apply' section on the vacancy announcements. Applications/resumes are no longer accepted at the CPAC or NAF Human Resources Office.

For questions regarding APF vacancies, please call 263-3755.

For questions regarding NAF vacancies, please call 263-5800.

Non-appropriated fund *Pacific Stars & Stripes* job announcements are available online at <http://cpol.army.mil>. For more information, call the Job Information Center at 229-3163.

Japanese national position vacancies are posted on the Internet at http://www.usagi.jp.pac.army.mil/imal/sites/jesolrp_jjobs_list_j.asp. Application forms are available on the same site. Selection status can also be checked. For more information, call 263-3325.

Child and Youth Program Assistant (Level 2-4), (CYS, Zama & SHA), CY-1/2, RFT/RPT, \$9.59 - \$17.09, Close: December 26, 2012

Recreation Assistant (Lifeguard), RD, NF-02, Flex, \$ 9.29, Close: October 31, 2012

Recreation Assistant, RD, Sagami Depot, Flex, NF-02, \$ 9.29, Close: October 5, 2012

Illustrator, Camp Zama, NF-04, RFT, \$28,000 to \$32,000 pa, Close: September 13, 2012

Other local positions

Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant (Part-Time): The U.S. Embassy Tokyo is seeking candidates for the following position: Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant (Part-Time). For position details and application procedures, please see U.S. Embassy website: <http://japan.usembassy.gov/e/infot/info-jobs.html>

Pharmacist, Intermittent (420 hours): Provides pharmacist services for outpatient pharmacy at MEDDAC-Japan, Camp Zama. Must have A degree in Pharmacy from an accredited school in the United States or Canada. This is a contract positions open

to SOFA status applicants. Resumes may be sent to Yoshiyasu.Aoki@us.army.mil. ALL applicants shall register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) at www.ccr.gov.

Security Attendants Needed: This is a part-time position; training will be provided. Hourly pay \$13. For more information, stop by Bldg. 102, Room A-101, next to the Student Transportation Office. Call 263-5898 for more information.

Project/Task Manager: General Dynamics Information Technology is looking for a project manager at Camp Zama. Candidates must be a graduate of a military command and staff college or higher and have experience with the U.S. Army doctrine, organization, and procedures. Apply by sending a cover letter and resume to asdjjobs@gdit.com with "Camp Zama" in the subject line. General Dynamics Information Technology is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection instructors: Positions are available with Firearms Academy of Hawaii, Inc. Duties include instruction of marksmanship, watch standing and tactical team movements. Position location is Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan. Marksmanship instructor experience is a must. Tactical team movement experience is desired. Qualified candidates may call 243-6171 or send resumes to yeagleycj@yahoo.com.

Security attendant: This is a part-time/flex position, and training will be provided. Call 263-5898 for more information, or visit Bldg. 919, Room 508 at Camp Zama.

Physical Therapist, Intermittent (240 hours): Provides physical therapy services to include evaluations and treatment for patients with neuromusculoskeletal injuries across the full spectrum of evidence based practice in adolescence to the very elderly. Must have license to practice physical therapy in the U.S. This is a contract positions open to SOFA status applicants. Resumes may be sent to Yoshiyasu.Aoki@us.army.mil. ALL applicants need to register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) at www.ccr.gov.

For Sale

Surfboards for sale: Aloha surfboard: 6.0 x 18 3/8 x 2 3/16 for \$20, Insight surfboard: 6.3 x 18 1/2 x 2 1/4 for \$40. Minor dings, good board to start surfing. 263-3315 (daytime)

2012 Mizuno JPX 800 FLI-HI Hybrids #4 / #5. Dynalite Gold XP Steel Shafts (R300), regular flex; \$125 for both. Call Dave@ 080-3467-7881

Wanted

Instructors: Child Youth & School Services SKIESUnlimited Program is looking for certified instructors to teach the following classes; filmmaking, dance, guitar, piano, martial arts, gymnastics, boxing, drivers education and digital arts. SKIES is also

looking for either certified or volunteer instructors for Art, Photography, Bowling, Cooking, Babysitting and Academic Support. If interested, please contact Nicholas Andrews, SKIESUnlimited Director at 263-5441.

Volunteer at U.S. Army Garrison Japan Postal Service Center: Volunteer opportunities are available in the USAGJ Postal Service Center, we will provide you with valuable training in Post Office and Unit Mailroom operations. Please contact Army Community Services at 263-8087 for details and assistance on volunteering your services.

English teachers: A small off-post home school (about 200 students) near Sagami Depot. First time teachers welcome! Classes available Mon. - Thu. 1pm to 9pm (No weekends or Fridays!) Call for details. Derek Partington English School, home 042-756-4483; cell 090-3082-4439 or E-mail: partngtn@jcom.home.ne.jp

ESL teacher: Seeking ESL teachers for two conversational group classes. One requires travel to Tama and is very accessible by car. Meeting times are the 1st and 3rd Sat. from 10:30 a.m. - noon for one class and Sat. from 3 to 4 p.m. for the second. Pay is ¥7,500 and ¥3,000 per hour respectively. Call 090-549-6725 or e-mail shantee12@yahoo.com.

Instructor: Arts and Crafts Center seeks instructors to teach sewing, water color painting, wash paper craft and/or acrylic paint arts. Also looking for contracted framer who has at least three years experience in framing production. For more information, call Nodera-san at 263-4412.

Help needed: yard cleaning, house cleaning, and other chores. Compensations are upon agreements. Please contact x35477@gmail.com, or call 080-5879-8318.

Pets

Animal adoption: Dogs and cats are available for adoption at the Camp Zama Veterinary Clinic. For more information, call 263-3875.

Others

Camp Zama Photography Club: We are a social organization open to all Military, DoD, MLC employees and their families. Our goal is to discuss, appreciate, and promote photography as an art, as well as develop the skills of our members through local events and mentoring. Members of all skill levels are eligible to join. For information about upcoming meetings, events, and a look at what the club is all about, visit our website <http://zamadestu.net/czpc>, or send us an email at CZPhotoClub@gmail.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Alcoholics Anonymous is meeting on Camp Zama. AA is a no-cost, confidential forum for those seeking support in a lifestyle free of alcohol and drugs. Meeting times are Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, 1900 - 2000. Location is building 533, 2nd floor. For more information, contact DSN: 263-8059.

MOVIE SCHEDULE Sagamihara Theater

For ratings and run times, visit: www.shopmyexchange.com/ReelTimeTheatres/Movies-CampZama.htm

Thursday, Sept. 6
6 p.m. - ParaNorman 3D

Friday, Sept. 7
6 p.m. - The Possession
9 p.m. - Lawless

Saturday, Sept. 8
3 p.m. - Madagascar 3D
6 p.m. - Madea's Witness Protection
9 p.m. - Savages

Sunday, Sept. 9
3 p.m. - Madagascar 3D
6 p.m. - The Possession

Monday, Sept. 10
7 p.m. - Lawless

Tuesday, Sept. 11
7 p.m. - Savages

Wednesday, Sept. 12
7 p.m. - The Possession

Thursday, Sept. 13
6 p.m. - Madagascar 3D

Friday, Sept. 14
6 p.m. - The Cold Light of Day
9 p.m. - Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter

Atsugi Cinema 77

For ratings and run times, visit: www.cnic.navy.mil/Atsugi/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/ThingsToDo/Entertainment/index.htm

Thursday, Sept. 6
5:30 p.m. - People Like Us

Friday, Sept. 7
6:30 p.m. - Madea's Witness Protection
9:30 p.m. - Magic Mike

Saturday, Sept. 8
3:30 p.m. - The Amazing Spider-Man
6:30 p.m. - Madea's Witness Protection
9:30 p.m. - The Campaign

Sunday, Sept. 9
2:30 p.m. - People Like Us
5 p.m. - Madea's Witness Protection
5 p.m. - The Expendables 2

Monday, Sept. 10
7 p.m. - Ted

Tuesday, Sept. 11
5:30 p.m. - People Like Us

Wednesday, Sept. 12
6:30 p.m. - The Amazing Spider-Man
9:30 p.m. - Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter

Thursday, Sept. 13
5:30 p.m. - Madea's Witness Protection

NFL, Army work to combat traumatic brain injury

By David Vergun
Army News Service

WEST POINT, N.Y. – The Army and National Football League are both working to improve awareness of traumatic brain injury and further research into its causes, prevention and treatment.

The top leaders of both organizations – Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell – met at the U.S. Military Academy Aug. 30 to discuss the issue and sign a letter of agreement to continue sharing resources to combat TBI.

They were joined by a panel of Soldiers and retired NFL players who have had concussions while serving on the battlefield and the playing field. Also, about 200 cadets attended, as well as representatives from Army medicine.

Odierno explained how some of the best traits in Soldiers can sometimes hinder many from seeking help following concussions.

“Mental and physical toughness, discipline, team over self and stressing the importance of resilience are fundamental to the cultures of both the NFL and the Army,” said Odierno. “We have the Warrior Ethos, reinforced by the Soldier’s Creed.

“While commendable and essential to what we do, these traits make it particularly difficult for individuals to come forward and identify physical and mental issues, especially mental,” he continued. “We are seeking to educate both players and Soldiers about TBI, to empower them to seek treatment both on the battlefield and playing field.”

The Army and NFL are continuing the dialogue and sharing of research on TBI, said Odierno, citing examples of joint efforts at monitoring TBI, including placing special sensors in the helmets of both Soldiers and NFL players, which can detect a possible concussion following trauma to the head.

Both NFL players and Soldiers are now coordinating strategies and using special types of tests to determine if a concussion has occurred, added Dr. Richard Ellenbogen, chair, Department of Neurological Surgery, University of Washington. He expects research to continue to reduce TBI.

The NFL commissioner then addressed the cadets. “You are the future leaders of Army,” he told them. “Together, we can make a big difference, sharing medical research, and helping players and fighters and bringing a greater awareness to society as well. I believe we can change our cultures, with athletes and Soldiers sharing their experiences.”

The cultural shift to which Goodell was referring is the reluctance of many football players and Soldiers to ask for help after receiving concussions.

“A frank conversation needs to take place at the lowest levels with the people most powerful in Soldiers’ lives – not me, but their platoon sergeants and first

sergeants,” said Odierno, referring to the change he said has to take place. “Soldiers must be made to realize that there will not be retribution of any kind for asking for help.”

“Sometimes the NCOs must make the decision for the Soldiers and not penalize them,” said Staff Sgt. Shawn Hibbard, addressing the reluctance of many Soldiers to seek help on their own. “When I got blown up I felt like, ‘Hey, I’m mentally still in the fight.’ That NCO must check those injured and remove them from the fight so they can get better.” Hibbard suffered concussions during recent combat operations, but was reluctant to seek help.

Maj. Christopher Molino, who also suffered a concussion during recent combat operations, agreed that small unit leaders must step in and take charge. “Removing yourself is counterintuitive to Soldiers’ instincts. That’s why good leadership is important.”

Troy Vincent had a concussion on the field so severe, he said he was unconscious and didn’t recall the event. No one got him to seek help, he explained. “They protected me with some play calls and didn’t expose my weakness at the time,” he said.

“The coach told me that 70 percent of you is better than 100 percent of the second-string [players],” meaning that despite losing 30 percent of his ability to play due to concussion, he was still better than many of the other players without injury. Vincent was a cornerback for the Miami Dolphins, Philadelphia Eagles, Buffalo Bills and Washington Redskins.

Bart Oates, who also suffered a



Army Chief of Staff Gen. Ray Odierno holds an official NFL football signed by NFL commissioner Roger Goodell. “The NFL is a longstanding supporter of the Army family,” said Odierno. “The NFL season begins next Wednesday and I want to thank Roger Goodell for taking time out of his busy schedule to be here (at West Point, N.Y., to discuss traumatic brain injury).” **U.S. Army photo by David Vergun**

concussion on the playing field, agreed that the mindset is hard to change. He played center for the New York Giants and San Francisco 49ers.

Goodell said that old school mentality of not asking for help will no longer be tolerated. He stressed the importance of accountability. “Myself, the coaches and other members of this organization have a

responsibility to make the lives of players better, both on and off the field,” he said, adding that he hopes those in other sports get the message and provide proper leadership and supervision.

“We need to learn to rely on the players to do the right thing; to raise their hand if they need help or ask others to seek assistance,” he said.



Rainy day run

More than 50 runners were at Yano Fitness Center Sept. 1 to compete in Camp Zama’s Labor Day 5K Run. The rainy event featured participants from the Army, Navy, civilians, Japanese employees and even the Zama American High School cross country team. **U.S. Army photo by Dustin Perry**

Firepower demo rocks crowd at Fuji training area



CH-47J helicopters carry vehicles they later off-loaded onto the ground, one of the many demonstrations executed Aug. 26 during the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force's Fuji Firepower Demonstration held at the East Fuji Maneuver Area. The event drew more than 76,000 spectators over three days, including U.S. Army Japan Soldiers from Camp Zama. **U.S. Army photos by Dustin Perry**

By Dustin Perry
Editor

GOTEMBA CITY, Japan – The Japan Ground Self-Defense Force displayed its tactical, weapons and aircraft capabilities to the public during the annual Fuji Firepower Demonstration, held Aug. 24 through 26 at the East Fuji Maneuver Area.

Each two-hour exhibition included more than 2,000 JGSDF members manning 80 tanks and other vehicles, firing 80 artillery pieces, and flying 30 aircraft on the massive, hilled range.

“There are two main purposes of this demonstration,” said 2nd Lt. Takashi Tomiyoshi, a public affairs officer assigned

to the JSGDF Fuji School. “One is to educate the JGSDF members, especially members of the Fuji School. The other is to help the citizens of Japan to better understand the role we play in the defense of our country.”

Crowds seated in bleachers and on the ground near the demonstration area watched as wave after wave of armored behemoths like the Type 89 Infantry Fighting Vehicle and the Type 99 howitzer tank charged onto the range.

“For me, as an infantry officer, I liked seeing the dismounted systems that the [JGSDF] soldiers have,” said attendee Col. Anthony Feagin, the deputy chief of staff of G3 at U.S. Army Japan. “And as a former Bradley company commander, I enjoyed watching the Infantry Fighting Vehicle fire its 35 millimeter tank gun.”

The machines maneuvered and took their positions before the crews manning the weapons systems fired in unison or direct succession at predetermined targets,

often creating synchronized explosive blasts several hundred meters away. Aircraft like the CH-47J helicopter were also included in the demonstration.

“This is my first time here, and it exceeded my expectations,” said Col. Nora Marcos, deputy chief of staff of G6 at USARJ. “I had heard great things about it, but I was really impressed with what I saw – the discipline, the firepower, the crowd support – it was awesome to see.”

Another first-time observer of the exercise was Col. Vivian Hutson, commander of Medical Department Activity – Japan at Camp Zama, who agreed that the event was “absolutely outstanding.”



A Type 92 Minesweeper fires a rocket during the JGSDF's annual Fuji Firepower Demonstration.

“The exercise was very synchronized, and you can tell that the troops were very well prepared and their capabilities are very advanced,” said Hutson. “They are definitely one of our most important allies and strategic partners.”

“We are very proud of this opportunity because we get to show the general public what we in the JGSDF do,” said Tomiyoshi. “It was [also] a good opportunity to be able to invite U.S. Army Japan Soldiers to this demonstration, so that they can gain a better understanding of our proficiency.”

Several Soldiers said they were extremely impressed with the number of Japanese spectators – nearly 76,000 annually – who attended.

“It’s great to see the support the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force has from their civilian population,” said Marcos. “I’m grateful for the invitation and the opportunity to come out here.”



A Japan Ground Self-Defense Force parachutist lands on the demonstration grounds Aug. 26 at the JGSDF's East Fuji Maneuver Area, the site of the annual Fuji Firepower Demonstration. The two-hour exhibition included participation from more than 2,000 JGSDF members manning 80 tanks and other vehicles, firing 80 artillery pieces, and flying 30 aircraft over the massive, hilled range.