Looking Back on 2023

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IN THIS ISSUE: U.S. Navy and Japan hold 16th Annual Joint Response Drill | MWR Events | Beyond the Gate
American and Japanese personnel participated in a large-scale training drill onboard Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY), simulating an earthquake and an emergency response. The drill, conducted on Dec. 15, included a focus on the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76). This year marked the 16th successful completion of the annual drill.

This Joint Drill is a yearly exercise with rotating scenarios that reflect a real response. The in-depth planning of the drill, combined with the high degree of scrutiny, ensures that both the U.S. Navy and the Japanese government are proficient and able to work together seamlessly during an emergency.

Kyoko Sugita, a community relations specialist for CFAY, has participated in the drill as a media escort since its inception.

“People in the Japanese government and in the U.S. Navy rotate in and out of important positions over time,” said Sugita, “the drill makes sure that everyone is aware of their role and how they need to react.”

This year, the drill scenario simulated a 6.8 magnitude earthquake originating from the Miura Peninsula, causing large scale power outages, damage to buildings, and the Ronald Reagan’s mooring lines shifting on the pier.

The first part of the drill consisted of an evacuation of a damaged building, with some of the evacuees having a variety of injuries ranging from mild to severe.

Units responded to the simulated event swiftly with a large force from more than 20 different U.S. Navy and Japanese organizations. More than 250 employees from the CFAY Emergency Management Office, CFAY Safety Office, Commander, Navy Region Japan (CNRJ) Fire and Emergency Services, CFAY Security Office, U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Yokosuka Kyosai Hospital, Japanese Ministry of Defense, Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan Coast Guard, Japanese Nuclear Regulation Authority, City of Yokosuka, and Japanese reporters from several publications all participated in the drill.

“This [Joint Drill] is good practice with other emergency departments,” said Sean Rutledge, CNRJ fire and emergency services fire prevention chief and joint drill incident commander, “it ensures we are all prepared and know exactly what everyone should be doing.”

Eleven injured role players were treated by CNRJ Fire and Emergency Services firefighters and Navy Corpsman assigned to the U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka at the triage area near the damaged building. Nine of the role players with minor injuries were escorted to the emergency shelter area located at the James D. Kelly Fleet Recreation Center. One role player with a simulated broken arm was transported to the U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka while another role player with simulated major head trauma was transported to Yokosuka Kyosai Hospital.

As the last simulated patient was transported off scene, the attention shifted to the second phase of the drill.
The Japanese Coast Guard Vessel JCG Kinugasa (MS-01) patrols the harbor during dry run training for the 2023 Joint Drill onboard Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY).

where a Japanese Coast Guard vessel, JCG Kinugasa (MS-01), patrolled the harbor. In the scenario, the JCG Kinugasa used radiological monitoring equipment and found no radiation and the scene was declared safe.

“It is important for us to conduct this Joint Drill to strengthen United States and Japanese cooperation,” said an official for the Japanese Nuclear Regulation Authority’s Radiological Survey Team, “it enhances our understanding of each other’s roles if something happens in the future.”

Officials from both the Japanese and U.S. Navy observed the complex drill from start to finish. Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka Capt. Les Sobol and Commander, Navy Region Japan Rear Adm. Carl Lahti observed the drill with their counterparts from the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force, Japan Coast Guard, and Japanese officials from the City of Yokosuka, Kanagawa Prefecture, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

“The presence of both U.S. Navy officials and Japanese government observers is a testament to our shared commitment to regional security,” said Sobol, “These drills are not just about readiness; they also serve as an avenue for mutual learning and understanding of each other’s protocols and methodologies in handling these scenarios. Year after year, we observe significant advancements in our joint operational capabilities, communication, and trust. This continuous improvement is vital, it enhances our respective strengths while simultaneously forging a deeper, more integrated U.S.-Japan alliance, grounded in mutual trust and cooperation.”

The drill completed with a tour of the emergency shelter area located at the James D. Kelly Fleet Recreation Center. During this tour, participants had the opportunity to better understand Fleet Activities Yokosuka’s ability to shelter displaced individuals during times of emergency.

The 16th annual Joint Drill not only demonstrated the strength of the U.S.-Japan alliance but also highlighted the shared dedication to ensuring peace and safety in the region. The lessons learned and the relationships strengthened during this exercise will undoubtedly play a critical role in shaping the future of emergency response and cooperation between the two nations.
American Red Cross Autumn Classes

- Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED
- Babysitter’s Training with Pediatric First Aid/CPR
- Basic Life Support (BLS)

All classes are blended learning courses including an online portion, and an instructor-led classroom skill session. The online portion must be completed prior to the skills test.

CPR/AED/First Aid Course ($55)
- Wednesday, Dec. 20, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Monday, Jan. 8, 1 to 4 p.m.

Basic Life Support Course ($55)
- Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 10, 1 to 4 p.m.

Babysitting Basics ($70) Recommended for ages 11-17)
Additional classes available by request for group of plus three.

To register, email: Yokosuka@redcross.org with the class and preferred date/time. You will receive a payment link and be asked to send your receipt in order to guarantee a spot in the course.

Basics of Japanese
Dec 26 at 1030
Make Tomodachi
Dec 27 at 1630
Sponsorship Training
Dec 28 at 0900 (Virtual)
Join us for a traditional Holiday buffet featuring ham, turkey, and all your favorite holiday trimmings.

**HOLIDAY BUFFET**

**CPO CLUB**
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 • 11 A.M. - 7 P.M.**
Adults: $19.95 | Child (4-11) $12.50

**OFFICERS’ CLUB**
**SUNDAY & MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 & 25 • 11 A.M. - 7 P.M.**
Adults: $27.95 | Child (4-11) $14.50
Reservations required. Grasshopper December 24th theme to take a picture with Santa.

**CLUB TAKEMIYA**
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 • 11 A.M. - 7 P.M.**
Adults: $19.05 | Child (4-11) $12.50

**OFFICERS’ Club @ 243-5002/8824 | CPO Club @ 243-5106 | Club Takemiya @ 246-8077**

**ALL CLUBS ARE OPEN TO ALL HANDS**
(7 properly vetted & approved by a paying parent/plank on)

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**WELCOME THE NEW YEAR WITH US!**

**2024**

**New Year's Eve Brunch Special**
- Join us to end the year with our variety of offerings to include your favorite entrées.
- Officers’ Club Kessana Dining Room
  - Adults: $69.95 | Child (4-11 years): $35.50
- Club Takemiya Dining Room
  - Adults: $55 | Child (4-11 years): $30

**New Year’s Eve Bash**
- Featuring the 80’s band from Tokyo in One Night
- Sunday, December 31 - 6 p.m. - Midnight
- Club Alliance, Shacky’s Roadhouse
- './ NEW YEAR’ S EVE BASH
- A fun party feast with party favors and giveaways, including MWR gift certificates and much more. Price: mid-night entry, bar-open, cash bar and a glass of champagne for all.

**New Year’s Eve Dinner Special**
- Make your final meal of the year a great one! Enjoy our prime rib and garlic shrimp specially prepared for this night.
- $28 per person

**New Year’s Eve Celebration**
- Sunday, December 31 - 7 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.
- Club Takemiya (Adults Only)
- The only New Year’s Eve party/gala for big kids! Join us as we greet the new year with food, music, and lots of fun.
- $25 per person

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**New Year’s Eve Bash** on December 31 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Join the fun at the Yokosuka Bowling Center as we host our Family New Year’s Eve party!
- Enjoy bowling, laser tag, a family-friendly buffet with pizza, chicken fingers, and fries, and a sparkling cider toast!
- Sign-ups start December 1 and cost $44.95 per lane for up to five people.

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**Retirement Symposium**

Wednesday, 17 January 2024
0800 - 1500
Major Room, CPO Club

- Spouses welcome
- Registration required.

FFSCinfo@us.navy.mil
DSN: 243-3372

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For details, please call Officers’ Club @ 243-5624/5602, CPO Club @ 243-5506, or Club Takemiya @ 246-3072.
Stardance in Yokohama
Dec. 23 (Saturday), 24 (Sunday), 29 (Friday), 30 (Saturday) and 31 (Sunday)
5 to 8 p.m. (Dec. 23, 29, 30 and 31); 5 to 9 p.m. (Dec. 24)
Hakkeijima Sea Paradise (10-minute walk from Yokohama Seaside Line Hakkeijima Station, 10)
1,000 drones take over in the sky above Yokohama Hakkeijima Sea Paradise, create characters from Kimetsu no Yaiba, Evangelion, and Ultraman. Performances last 15 minutes each and there is around an hour's wait between them. https://www.seaparadise.co.jp/special/stardance/#ticket.

Kurihama Christmas Festa
Dec. 23 (Saturday)
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Kurihama Shopping Street (1-minute walk from Keikyu Kurihama Station, KK-67/5-minute walk from JR Kurihama Station, JO-01)
Santa Sukarin and ponies are coming to town! Celebrate Christmas in Kurihama with fun activities such as brass band and dance performances, and enjoy the special food and drink booths!

Flower Park Illumination
Until Jan. 14 (Sunday)
5 to 8 p.m. Godzilla Light Up until Monday, Dec. 25 | Kurihama Flower Park (25-minute drive from Yokosuka's Main Base, 20-minute walk from either JR Kurihama Station, JO-01 or Keikyu Kurihama Station, KK-67)
No. 1 parking is available until 8 p.m.

Yokosuka Countdown 2024
Dec. 31 (Sunday)
6 p.m. to 1 a.m. | Verny Park (2-minute walk from Coaska Gate of Yokosuka Main Base)
Yokosuka City celebrates the coming of the New Year with fireworks, steam whistles, searchlights, and illuminated U.S. Navy and JMSDF ships! There will also be plenty of entertainment like illuminated mikoshi, and hot food before the countdown!

Yokosuka Fire Engines Parade
Jan. 7 (Sunday)
10:30 to 11:10 a.m. | Yokosuka Chuo Blue Street (5-minute walk from Carney Gate)
There will be emergency vehicles from Yokosuka City, and CNRJ Fire Department fire engines will join the parade. Also there will be a marching parade and laddertruck demonstration.
JOIN OUR TEAM!
Fleet and Family Readiness offers innovative, exciting, and meaningful work linking military and civilian talents to achieve our mission and safeguard our freedoms; competitive salaries, comprehensive benefits, and extensive professional development and training. For more information, please visit: navymwryokosuka.com/careers.

POST OFFICE SERVICES NOTICE
Due to Japanese New Year Holiday, Japan Post will not be delivering to Yokosuka and Ikego Post Offices from Dec. 29 through Jan. 3. On Jan. 4, both post offices will resume the acceptance of Japan Post deliveries.

RLSO WESTERN PACIFIC LEGAL ASSISTANCE REDUCED SERVICES NOTICE
In support of this holiday season, the Legal Assistance Office will be open as follows from Dec. 18 to Jan. 11:
Monday – Thursday: 8 to 11:30 a.m.; 12:30 to 4 p.m.
Friday: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.; 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
We will be closed in observance of Federal holidays on:
• Dec. 25-26 (Christmas)
• Jan. 1-2 (New Year’s)
• Jan. 12-15 (MLKJ’s Birthday)

2023-2024 PFIZER COVID-19 VACCINE AT THE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
The new Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for ages 5 years and older will be available at the Immunizations Clinic. New COVID vaccines are formulated to more closely target current variants. For more information, see COVID-19 page: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/

INFLUENZA VACCINE AVAILABLE AT IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
The annual flu vaccine is available through the Immunization Clinic.

Immunizations Clinic hours
• Walk-in for all eligible patients (including Space A): Monday-Friday, 8 to 10 a.m.
• Active Duty walk-in: Thursday and Friday, 1 to 3 p.m.
• Appointment for tricare beneficiaries (Call 243-5352 to schedule).

NOTICE TO ALL ON BASE TELEPHONE CUSTOMERS
Dec. 26 through Jan. 3, Base Communication Officer customer service hours of operations will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. (lunch time: 12 to 1 p.m.). Customer service will be closed on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. Normal business will resume on Jan. 4. Please contact 243-4600 for further information.

VOLUNTEER NOW FOR THE AMERICAN RED CROSS Contingency Team
Help with emergency messages and during large scale emergencies.
Disaster Action Team
Help provide immediate assistance on scene of an emergency, and participate in base exercises

Also available:
• Youth Preparedness Team
• MTF Professional and Admin Help
• CPR/BLS/Babysitting Instructor
• Library
• PAWS
• Vet Clinic
• Post Office
How to volunteer:
1. Use a desktop or laptop computer.
2. Search and go to Red Cross Volunteer Connection.
3. Use the Yokosuka FPO zip code 96349.
4. Complete the on-line training.
5. If you have any problems, email: yokosuka@redcross.org, or call 243-7490.

CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES
Parking lot closure in front of Club Takemiya/Ikego FFSC/Mini Mart: The government of Japan will perform re-routing work of high-temperature hot water line. Closing period will be until March 31, 2024.
Howard Street Intersection: Traffic diversion every Saturday until Dec. 23, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. No pedestrian access through area.
McCormick Street and Leahy Street: Full road closure for underground utility works until Feb. 28, 2025.
Sampson Avenue: Sidewalk will be closed partially until Nov. 30.
Vandegrift Lane: Full road closure until October 2025.

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CAUTION!
WILD BOAR TRAPS SET

The City of Yokosuka and City of Zushi have set traps intended for wild boar throughout the Mt. Futago Hiking Course between the Yoko-Yoko Highway and Hayama Interchange.

Caution signs in Japanese are placed on and off the trails (example provided). All of the traps are hidden in bushes and not visible.

Hikers who enjoy these trails with their dogs are asked to keep their pets on a leash and hold the leash firmly to protect the animal from entering bushes where traps may be present.

This campaign is scheduled until March 15, 2024.
You Are Invited To The...

U.S. Navy Supply Corps
229th Birthday Ball

Date and Time:
Saturday, February 24th, 2024 @ 1800
Cocktail Hour @ 1730

Location:
CLUB ALLIANCE
〒238-0002 Kanagawa, Yokosuka, 1BanChi
Tomari-Cho

Attire:
O5 & Above: Dinner Dress Blue
O4 & Below: Optional Dinner Dress Blue
Civilian: Formal / Black Tie

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All USCS, MLC employees, JMSDF, Foreign Military, Military Spouses, and Enlisted Military are invited to attend.

Following 15 January 2024, ticket prices will go up by $10.00 & ¥1,500.

Scan to RSVP & purchase tickets by 16 Feb:
https://rb.gy/bj9bma

For more information, please contact:
LT Julibert "Maggy" Rudd DSN: 315-243-3459
E-MAIL: julibert.m.rudd.mil@us.navy.mil
COMMODORE MATTHEW C. PERRY GENERAL MESS

Open Galley Event

Monday, December 25
12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Join the CFA Yokosuka Jewel of the East, Commodore Matthew C. Perry General Mess, Christmas Day for an Open Galley Event welcoming the entire base community.

The staff is preparing baked ham, ribeye roast, roast turkey, macaroni & cheese, mashed potatoes with gravy, New England clam chowder, pies, cheesecakes, cookies and more.

No reservations, but please understand the General Mess can only accept credit and debit cards as it is a no cash facility. Guests will be charged $11.20 each. Active duty regularly assigned to the General Mess will go through their normal process.

Please contact the Commodore Matthew C. Perry General Mess at 243-5741 for more information.

Active duty, please note the Commodore Matthew C. Perry General Mess will operate on holiday hours Christmas Day.

Breakfast: 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
Lunch/Dinner: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
2023 久里浜
クリスマスフェスタ

サンタスカリン撮影会やお子さま向けポニーの乗馬体験のほか、
吹奏楽・チアダンスのステージや、あたたかいグルメの出店など、
冬のお楽しみが久里浜はろーど通りに大集結！

日時 12月23日(土) 10時～15時
※雨天時翌日順延

場所 京急久里浜駅前はろーど通り

主催： 久里浜観光協会・久里浜商店会協同組合
後援： 横須賀市
問合せ： 久里浜観光協会事務局
046-834-1111

※当日の開催可否: 横須賀市コールセンター
046-822-4000

お子さまを対象とした、
ポニー乗馬体験！(有料)
※対象は約3歳～小3（体格100cmまで）
※10時から受理券配布開始
 YoKOSUKA COUNTDOWN 2024

開催！

ライフ
ステージ
キッチンカー
フード＆ドリンク
イルミネーション
みこし

日米艦船
イルミネーション
花火打ち上げ
艦船汽笛
＆サーチライト

12/31 18:00
※天候中止

1/1 1:00

祝

CFAy
COMMUNITY FLEET ACTIVITIES YOKOSUKA
FRIENDS・FAMILY・ALLIANCE

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Driver’s License Class - 2023

Every Thursday
Except holiday

*Class schedule may be subject to change

Time: 1230-1600 (Sign-up starts at 1200)
Location: 4th Floor, Bldg. 3365
What to bring:
- DoD ID
- AOB/ICR Certificate
- A valid US/GOJ Driver’s License
- SafeTALK Certificate (Active Duty Member only)

For questions, please call
243-9089 / 6721 / 5647
Or E-mail: license@us.navy.mil
0800-1200/1300-1500, Monday-Friday except holidays
Get all of your MWR info on Ahoy.

Now available on Seahawkumitaka.com
28th Dec to 3rd Jan
License Office Close For Holiday Break

For questions, please call 243-9089 / 6721 / 5647
or E-mail: license@us.navy.mil
0745-1200/1300-1530, Monday-Friday except holidays
Japanese Accessory Handcraft Workshop

Why not try making your own or your daughter Japanese-style hair pins and earrings?

*Location: Japan-US Cultural Exchange Center (next to Visitor Control Center at the main gate)

*To sign up: email to cfaycomrel@gmail.com

Please write your full name, Phone #, and Class number.

Please contact CFAY PAO DSN: 243-5077/2566 for questions on this event.

Class #1 1/29 (Mon) 14:00-16:00 Hairpin (Basic Class)
12 years old and above can participate (up to 10 people)

Class #2 2/5 (Mon) 14:00-16:00 Earrings (*must participate Class #1)
12 years old and above can participate (up to 10 people)

Class #3 2/12 (Mon) 14:00-16:00 Hairpin (*must participate Class #1)
15 years old and above can participate (up to 10 people)
OSECHI-RYORI (TRADITIONAL JAPANESE NEW YEAR’s DISHES)

- Osechi-ryori are special New Year’s dishes prepared for the first three days of January.
- Most dishes are cooked to be preserved for more than three days so housewives don’t have to do the cooking during the period.
- Various kinds of beautifully-prepared dishes are packed in multi-tiered lacquer boxes.

Each dish has an auspicious meaning which reflects people’s wishes.

- Kazunoko: Herring roe represents fertility
- Kuromame: Cooked black beans symbolize good health.
- Ebi: Shrimp represent longevity because their bodies look like old people bent with age.
JAPANESE TRADITION IN DECEMBER

Year-End Party （忘年会）

In December, restaurants, izakayas (pubs), and karaoke bars all over Japan are filled with people having a party called “Bo-nen-kai,” which literally means a party to forget the past year.

Employees and friends who share the same interests throw a party to forget the hardships of the past year by enjoying drinks and food, and to prepare for the coming year with renewed determination.

• OHIRAKI（お開き）- Adjournment, which is often accompanied by a speech and a clap.
• Nijikai（二次会）- After party, which literally means the second party
*Yoi Otoshi Wo!

**Meaning “Have a Happy New Year!”**

In Japan, people use this phrase as their last greeting of the year after Christmas is over and they will not see each other again until the New Year.
Useful Japanese Phrase

* Akemashite Omedeto Gozaimasu

**Meaning “A Happy New Year!”**

Japanese people use this phrase when they meet someone for the first time in the New Year as the New Year’s greeting.
NOTICE TO ALL ON BASE TELEPHONE CUSTOMERS

26 Dec 2023 thru 3 Jan 2024 BCO Customer Service hours of operations will be from 08:00 to 16:00 (lunch 12:00 to 13:00). Customer Service will be closed on 25 Dec 2023, 1 Jan 2024, Saturday & Sunday.

Normal business will resume on Jan 4th 2024. Please contact 243-4600 for further information. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.
Limited housing services will be available during the Japanese holiday period from December 29, 2023 through January 3, 2024.

Merry Christmas from Yokosuka and Ikego Housing!!!
CFA YOKOSUKA HOUSING

HOW CAN WE HELP?
EVERY RESIDENT SUGGESTION, CONCERN AND COMPLAINT IS IMPORTANT!

KNOW WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED

YOUR NAVY ADVOCATE FOR HOUSING

CONTACT YOUR NAVY HOUSING SERVICE CENTER OR CHAIN OF COMMAND

046-816-9037
DSN: 243-9037
YOKOSUKA_HOUSING@NAVY.MIL

PLEASE HAVE YOUR TROUBLE TICKET NUMBER AVAILABLE WHEN CALLING IF APPLICABLE
IMPLEMENTATION OF NON-SMOKING POLICY IN MILITARY FAMILY HOUSING

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 5100.13F of 2 Dec 2020

Effective 2 December 2023, all Military Family Housing (MFH) units will be officially designated as non-smoking facilities, in alignment with the guidelines outlined in reference (a).

Consistent with reference (a), non-smoking policy was in fact implemented three years ago to provide an opportunity for newly assigned families to choose a smoke-free housing environment. Accordingly, residents assigned to MFH have been required to observe and acknowledge the non-smoking requirements to include no smoking in the building, balconies, and outside areas within 50 feet of the building, as well as 100 feet of the areas frequented by minors.

Considering the ample time since the establishment of the non-smoking designation for MFH, this policy will be uniformly enforced, even for individuals who were previously exempted (grandfathered) from the rule. It’s important to note that this policy applies to all military, civilian, and contractor personnel, including family members and visitors.

Failure to comply with this non-smoking policy may result in termination of assignment, necessitating the sponsor to relocate off-base at no cost to the government, without housing allowances authorized.

Your cooperation and adherence to this policy are crucial in ensuring a healthy and comfortable living environment for all residents.
Updated AOB/ICR Schedule
Starting 13 MAR 2023

Day 1
AOB @0830
Resource Fair @1330

Day 2
ICR @0830
Bus Tour @1330

Day 3
SafeTalk @0800
(Mandatory for Active Duty)
Driver’s License LHC @1230

Register: FFSCinfo@us.navy.mil or 243-3372/046-816-3372 or scan QR Code
Basics of Japanese
Dec 26 at 1030

Make Tomodachi
Dec 27 at 1630

Sponsorship Training
Dec 28 at 0900 (Virtual)

See something you like? Sign up via email: ffscinfo@us.navy.mil
Happy Holidays

2023 Best Holiday Decorations Contest
Friday, December 22 - Tuesday, December 26

The Ikego and Yokosuka communities are invited to participate in the 2023 Best Holiday Decorations Contest! Enter your townhouse, tower balcony, or tenant ashore command for a chance to win the title of Best Decorated!

Judging will take place on Fri., Dec. 22 - Tues., Dec. 27 from 6 - 9 p.m.

For more information on how to enter and rules, please visit our website www.navy.mwr.yokosuka or scan the QR Code.

Questions?... call 241-4111 or 046-890-4111

WELCOME THE NEW YEAR WITH US!

New Year's Eve Brunch Special
Sunday, December 31 - 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Join us to end the year with our variety of offerings to include your favorite entries.
Officer's Club Ikego Dining Room 
Adults $25.96 / Child (6 - 11 years) $12.96

Club Takeniya Dining Room 
Adults $17.72 / Child (6 - 11 years) $9.66

New Year's Eve Bash
Featuring 60's/70's from Tokyo In One Night!
Sunday, December 31 - 6 p.m. - Midnight
Club Alliance Shary's Roadhouse
Party all night long with party favors and giveaways including MWR gift certificates and much more. Plus, midnight money balloon drop and glass of champagne for $5.

New Year's Eve Dinner Special
Sunday, December 31 - 5 - 9 p.m.
Club Alliance Italian Gardens Restaurant
Make your final meal of the year a great one! Enjoy our prime rib and garlic shrimp specialty prepared for this night.
$28 per person.

New Year's Eve Celebration
Sunday, December 31 - 7 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.
Club Takeniya (Adults Only)
The only New Year's Eve party geared for Ikego residents. Join us as we greet the new year with food, music and lots of fun!
$25 per person.

For details, please call Officers' Club @ 243-5624/5002, CPO Club @ 243-5506, Club Alliance @ 243-5985 / 243-3786 or Club Takeniya @ 246-8077.
How to Subscribe to Americable Status

1. Go to: https://status.americable.net/
2. Hover over “Get Updates” to select “Email”.
3. The following window will appear.
4 Add your "email address" and select the radio button option "Only Specific Components".

This will ensure you only get updates for the Base and service you subscribe to.

5 Select location for Internet and/or Americable TV.

6 Then press the Subscribe button.

7 You will now be subscribed to receive notifications when there is a system problem. Thank you.
OFFICE CLOSURE

NMCRS Yokosuka will be closed December 22nd through December 25th. If you need a QAL or appointment for Financial Assistance please contact our office before Thursday December 21st.
Closure Periods
July 2023 – October 2025

Vandergrift Lane is closed to support the construction of a UH tower.
G street & Leahy street - Road Closure

Closure Periods
18 JUL 2023 – 28 FEB 2025

G street and Leahy street will be closed for underground utility works.

as of 11 Jul 2023
FULL ROAD CLOSURE
NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION

The Government of Japan (GoJ) Contractor will perform re-routing work of high-temperature hot water line at the Ikego Softball Field shown on the sketch below from NOV 2023 to MAR 31, 2024. This work is absolutely essential for new Ikego CDC construction. Working hours will be between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Ikego Softball Field Close

*Crooked area is in use for construction.

Thank you for your patience and understanding to this work.

Government of Japan Funded Construction Project
FAP-K NA1803 Ikego High-temperature Hot Water Line Re-routing

South Kanto Defense Bureau
Yokosuka Construction Office

Sankensetsu Kogyo Co., Ltd
GoJ Contractor

US Army Corps of Engineers
Yokosuka Resident
NOTICE OF PARKING LOT CLOSURE

The Government of Japan (GoJ) Contractor will perform re-routing work of high-temperature hot water line. We have to ask Ikego residents for additional parking lot closure. Closing period will be on DEC 4, 2023 through MAR 31, 2024.

New CDC Construction Site

* Red-marked area shows additional parking lot closure in front of Club Takanawa/ Ikego FFSC/mini NEX.
* (16 Parking Slots)

"This work is important for new CDC construction.

Thank you for your patience and understanding to this work.

Government of Japan Funded Construction Project
FAP-K NA1808 Ikego High-temperature Hot Water Line Re-routing

South Kanto Defense Bureau Southkensetsu Kosyo Co., Ltd
Yokosuka Construction Office GoJ Contractor
US Army Corps of Engineers Yokosuka Resident
One of the Red Cross’s main missions OCONUS is to provide the Emergency Communication Message, AKA “Red Cross Message”. If you or an immediate family member experience an emergency that requires you to request leave from your Command, the Red Cross can verify that emergency as a third party. We will then deliver that information to your command, enabling them to make an informed decision regarding your emergency leave.

Fill out a CONTACT CARD today to ensure your contact information is ready before an emergency arises. Filling out a card in advance helps you and your family save time in a crisis.

Prepare Today!
Complete a Contact Card!
Class Schedule

All classes are blended learning courses including an online portion and an instructor-led classroom skill session. The online portion must be completed prior to the skills test.

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**Classes are updated regularly based on community need.**

TO REGISTER:
Email Yokosuka@redcross.org with the class and preferred date/time. You will receive a payment link and be asked to send your receipt to guarantee a spot in the course.
Volunteer Now

American Red Cross

1. Use a desktop or laptop computer.
2. Search and go to Red Cross Volunteer Connection.
3. Use the Yokosuka FPO zip code 96349.
4. Complete the online training.
5. If you have any problems, email Yokosuka@redcross.org or call 243-7490.

Contingency Team
Help with Emergency Messages and during large scale emergencies

Disaster Action Team
Help provide immediate assistance on scene of an emergency, and participate in base exercises
2023-2024 Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine
Now Available at the Immunization Clinic

Starting 27 NOV 2023, the new Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for ages 5 years and older will be available at our Immunizations Clinic.

New COVID-19 vaccines are formulated to more closely target current variants for better protection.

Immunizations Clinic Hours:
Walk-in for ALL Eligible Patients (including Space A): 0800-1000, Mon-Fri
Active Duty Walk-in: 1300-1500, Thu and Fri
Appointment for Tricare Beneficiaries (Please call 243-5352 to schedule)

For more information, see CDC COVID-19 page:
2023-2024 Influenza Vaccine Available at Immunization Clinic

Starting 04 Dec 2023, the annual flu vaccine will be available through our Immunization Clinic.

**Immunization Clinic Hours:**
Walk-in for ALL Eligible Patients (including Space A): 0800-1000, Mon-Fri
Active Duty Walk-in: 1300-1500, Thu and Fri
Appointment for Tricare Beneficiaries (Please call 243-5352 to schedule)

NMRTC YOKOSUKA
MEDICALLY READY FORCE. READY MEDICAL FORCE.
# 2023 Holiday Shipping Dates for Military Mail

Recommended send-by dates for expected delivery before December 25

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PMEEMS is available to selected military/diplomatic Post Offices. Check with your local Post Office to determine if this service is available to an APO/FPO/DPO address.
To Our Valued Customers,

Due to Japanese New Year Holiday, Japan Post WILL NOT be delivering to YOKOSUKA and IKEGO Post Offices from 29 December through 03 January 2024.

On 04 January 2024, both post offices will resume the acceptance of Japan Post deliveries.

If you have any questions, call DSN 243-6711 or send email to YokosukaPostOffice@fe.navy.mil

Very respectfully,
Postal Manager