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U.S., Japanese leaders unite in centennial celebration of cherry trees



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Ambassador of Japan to the U.S. Ichiro Fujisaki speaks during a cherry tree planting ceremony, April 5, at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling. Fujisaki thanked Japan's military partners from the U.S. for their friendship and for the bond the two countries have shared for many years.

BY PAUL BELLO
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JOINT BASE ANACOSTIA-BOLLING, D.C. -- With the obelisk of the Washington Monument in plain sight across the Potomac River, those gathered for Thursday's Japanese cherry tree planting ceremony on Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling couldn't have asked for a better view or day to celebrate the longtime friendship between two proud nations.

Senior U.S. military personnel joined Japanese Ambassador Ichiro Fujisaki and members of the Japanese Self-Defense Forces in planting five trees along the banks of the Potomac near JBAB's Giesboro Park. The trees, which symbolize each branch of the U.S. Armed Forces and their Japanese counterparts, are descendants of the original cherry trees given to the U.S. by Japan back in 1912 as a sign of friendship, or "tomodachi." A monument stone was also unveiled in the same area where the grove of cherry trees will one day flourish.

"If you were to close your eyes and think of a place to plant a grove of Japanese cherry trees, this would be it," said retired U.S. Army

Col. George Newman. "The trees will one day be as high as 50 feet and have a reach of about 40 feet. They will be amazing to look at for everyone walking along the Potomac here at JBAB."

Newman is a member of the U.S. Military Japan Alumni Association (USMJAA), which was formed in spring 2010 to assist U.S. service members and their Japanese counterparts in renewing and sustaining friendships, sharing fond memories of Japan and staying informed on the latest news and information between the two countries.

Navy Capt. Anthony T. Calandra, JBAB commander, who was stationed in Japan along with his family from 2008-2010, spoke during the ceremony and said his time there remains one of his fondest tours of duty.

"Beig able to work side-by-side with members of the Japanese Self-Defense Forces was a very rewarding and delightful experience in my life," Calandra said. "Japan remains a professional and capable friend of the U.S. in an uncertain world. It will always be a lasting partnership between two great nations."

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April recognized as the Month of the Military Child

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JOINT BASE ANACOSTIA-BOLLING, D.C. -- The calendar is marked with days to honor military members and their sacrifices throughout the year. Though, just as service members sacrifice for the good of the nation, so do their families.

To honor the courage and sacrifices of military children, former U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger designated April as the Month of the Military Child in 1986. Every year since then, military installations across the globe have held special events to recog-

nize children of military parents.

This year, JBAB has several events lined up throughout the month of April to honor military children.

The JBAB Library will host a puppet show called "Kermit the Frog Appreciates Military Children" April 24; and the Potomac Lanes Bowling Center will offer free bowling for children of active duty military members from noon-2 p.m. April 21. For more information about Potomac Lanes events, call 202-563-1701/1702.

The JBAB Youth Center will host an "All-Guy Lock-In" from 10:30 p.m.-7:30 a.m. April 21 for 9-12-year-olds, featuring 3-on-3 basketball, Wii/PS3 competitions, a pool competi-

tion and more. Sign-up deadline for this event is April 18. An "All-Girl Lock-In" is set for the following weekend, April 28, from 10:30 p.m.-7:30 a.m. for 9-12-year-olds, featuring manicures, makeovers, jewelry-making, video games and more. Sign-up deadline is April 25. Current membership and permission slip for both events is needed. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for guests.

From 3-6 p.m. on April 27, the Child and Youth Programs staff will host a Month of the Military Child Celebration at Bolling Green Park pavilions 7 and 8, with open recreation set to begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information about Youth Center events and the Month of the Military Child Celebration, call 202-767-

4003.

Beyond activities sponsored and hosted by the base, there are a number of ways to honor military children. There are many books for children written to help explain deployments, frequent moves and other aspects of military life.

Many times, all children really want is a chance to spend some time with their military parent. Choose a date and decide together a fun way to spend the day. Parents should talk to their children about what it means to be a service member, and what it means to be a military child.

For more resources on raising children in military families, call JBAB Family Services at 202-767-0450.

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Amputee softball team displays courage and strength during celebrity softball classic



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTOS BY SENIOR AIRMAN STEELE C. G. BRITTON

Wounded Warrior Amputees and D.C. celebrities prepare to play softball, April 2, at Nationals Park in Washington. Amputees from the U.S. Army and Marines played a friendly game against local D.C. celebrities for the second year in a row following a Washington Nationals and Boston Red Sox scrimmage to mark the start of the season for Major League Baseball.

BY PAUL BELLO
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JOINT BASE ANACOSTIA-BOLLING, D.C. -- The Washington Nationals Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team returned to the nation's capital Tuesday night to take part in the second annual Celebrity Softball Classic at Nationals Park against Washington, D.C. area celebrities and former profes-

sional players from Major League Baseball and the National Football League.

In a game filled with competitive personalities on both sides of the diamond, everyone participating agreed the score was least important on this occasion. That's a good thing for the celebrity team, as the Wounded Warrior amputees cruised to a 17-4 victory.

Darrell Green, former Washington Redskins cornerback and NFL hall of famer, was one of many for-

mer players on hand who donned a uniform for the celebrity team. He participated in last year's inaugural softball classic and was ecstatic to be in the lineup again this year.

"It's super important for the Washington Nationals to have this outreach with the military community. Corporate leadership in the community means good citizenship," Green said. "Tonight is more

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Wounded Warriors and D.C. celebrities enter the ball field prior to a softball game, April 3, at Nationals Park in Washington. Amputees from the U.S. Army and Marines played a friendly game against local celebrities for the second year in a row following a Washington Nationals and Boston Red Sox scrimmage to mark the start of the season for Major League Baseball.



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Naval District Washington ready to weather any storm

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NAVAL DISTRICT WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Every season has its own share of destructive weather possibilities, and Naval District Washington (NDW) must constantly be aware of these possible threats, the responsibility to always be prepared, and the ability of the region's resources to properly deal with that threat.

Although one often hopes for the best, the Navy is a military organization, and one does not always fight battles in the best conditions. Therefore, preparation for any possible contingency is vital for NDW so the region can endure and recover from adverse weather conditions.

As the weather changes, the potential for disruption or disaster due to destructive weather still remains ever present. Winter provides its own challenges with the potential for snow and ice damage and loss of productivity, but recent years have provided far too many examples of the destructive power of the hurricane season, which runs roughly from June to November.

"From past experience, we know the damage that [natural disasters] can cause," said Timothy Stoessel with Training and Readiness (N7). "All you have to do is look at the flood of the Naval Academy [during Hurricane Isabel in 2003] to realize the kind of damage 'All-Hazards' can inflict".

Over the last two centuries, tropical cyclones have claimed the lives of approximately 1.9 million people. The United States has had its own costly reminders of the strength of hurricanes, notably in 2005 with the storm surge of Hurricane Katrina, which killed near-

ly two-thousand and caused 108 billion dollars worth of damage, the costliest in American history.

NDW, and the Navy as a whole, considers the safety of its Sailors and their families to be the highest possible priority, especially during violent weather. Therefore, there is a large emphasis in all Navy commands on security and accountability before, during, and after destructive weather. The Navy Family Accountability and Assessment System (NFAAS) is a key part of this accountability. The Navy uses the NFAAS to account for Sailors and Navy families, as well as to identify disaster-related needs of Navy families. Sailors and their families should ensure their information is up to date in NFAAS. (NFAAS Website <https://navyfamily.navy.mil>)

"Prudent steps taken by all hands to be prepared for destructive weather phenomena that our Region experiences greatly minimizes mission degradation and the possibility of loss of life and damage to government and personal property," said Thompson Gerke, with NDW Operations (N3).

The Navy has its own way of preparing for the possibility of the massive power of tropical cyclones: a yearly exercise called HURREX/Citadel Gale. This year, HURREX 12 will run from April 16 to 27. All commands participate in the exercise, as everyone is potentially affected by destructive weather.

"HURREX/Citadel Gale is the Navy's exercise to prepare for the annual hurricane season," Stoessel said. "We have an All-Hazards plan which includes weather, and we use this exercise to get ready prior to June."

HURREX/Citadel Gale 12 will involve two simulated storm systems developing and intensifying to hurricane strength, threatening the Caribbean Islands, East Coast and Gulf Coast regions. The Navy will focus on training



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY STAFF SGT. BRITTANY E. JONES

U.S. Air Force Airmen from Public Works fill sand bags at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, D.C., Aug 25 in preparation for Hurricane Irene. Hurricane Irene hit the U.S. east coast in late August and brought heavy winds and flooding.

under five "conditions of readiness" that start at four days before a storm hits and progresses all the way up to 12 hours prior.

Although the exercise does not involve any real movement of ships or aircraft, the exercise is designed to be as real as possible. Commander, Task Force 20 will simulate a sortie, and Sailors ashore and afloat, in port or underway will review their heavy weather instructions and procedures.

According to Stoessel, even though the training and testing procedure is an annual fixture, there is always more to gain from the repetition of exercises like HURREX/Citadel Gale.

"There are always lessons learned every year, especially on how to communicate better with commands and the local communi-

ty," Stoessel said.

With proper preparation and training, the dangers of destructive weather can be mitigated, and this year is no different. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure the safety of equipment, and more importantly, Sailors and their families.

The Naval Safety Center has information on preparing for destructive weather which can be found at <http://www.public.navy.mil/navsafecen/Documents/media/safetips/fm/hurricane.doc>

More information on Navy Family Emergency Preparedness can also be found at http://www.cnic.navy.mil/CNIC_HQ_Site/WhatWeDo/FamilyLine/FamilyPreparedness/index.htm.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society still accepting donations

BY SENIOR AIRMAN SUSAN L. DAVIS
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JOINT BASE ANACOSTIA-BOLLING, D.C. -- The 2012 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society campaign is accepting donations through the end of April.

A private, non-profit charitable organization sponsored by the Department of the Navy, the NMCRS was founded in 1904. It operates nearly 250 offices at Navy and Marine Corps installations around the world on land and at sea.

The mission of the organization is to provide financial, educational, and other assis-

tance to members of the United States Naval Services as well as eligible family members and survivors, in partnership with the Navy and Marine Corps. Donations go toward funding and administering these programs.

"We assist active duty and retired Sailors and Marines, their families and survivors with interest-free loans or grants. We also provide budget counseling and have a great visiting nurse program, thrift shops, budgeting for baby workshops and other education programs," said Melodie Weddle, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Washington Navy Yard Office. "We are also a volunteer-based organization with about 200 employees and 3,600 volunteers worldwide."

As always, Weddle said, the goal is to make 100-percent contact with Sailors and Marines in order to afford them the opportunity to participate, but there is no set monetary goal.

"This is an organization whose sole mission is to help Sailors and Marines," Weddle said. "We really are in the business of taking care of our own, and the NMCRS has been doing it for more than a century. Since we are a private, non-profit, these donations are essential to our being able to provide both financial and non-financial services."

The organization owes much of its success to the personal involvement of commanders as well as the Marines and Sailors who contribute. Civilians may also make donations.

"If people are unable to give monetarily, they may donate their time and talents to the Society to help Sailors and Marines," Weddle said. "There are numerous volunteer opportunities within the Society, and we even offset the cost of transportation and childcare."

The NMCRS was incorporated in the District of Columbia, and is headquartered in Arlington, Va. It is managed by a board of directors whose members are active duty, retired, or spouses of Naval service members.

For more information or to donate, call 202-433-3364 or log on to www.nmcrs.org. Active-duty members should contact their command's key NMCRS representative or the National Capital Region representative.

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than a game. This is a showcase of the heartbeat of America. It's because of people like this that we have the opportunity to play under these friendly skies. To acknowledge our military and what they stand for is big."

Joining Green was former Washington Redskins line-backer and current 106.7 The Fan sports radio host LaVar Arrington. Being able to participate in this year's game meant a lot to Arrington, whose father is a Wounded Warrior having lost both of his legs in combat.

"It's an honor, pleasure and joy to be out here with these guys. Growing up in a home with a Wounded Warrior, I saw the reality of what these guys face," Arrington said. "They've had to battle through life altering tragedies. It really puts our own lives in perspective. They are no doubt heroes and examples to all of us."

The celebrity team not only consisted of former athletes, but television and local government officials like Washington, D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray. Prior to taking the field, Gray joked that he expected the game to be competitive for only an inning. As

it turns out, he was right.

"The score means nothing to us. That's good because I'm guessing the Wounded Warriors will score at will against us," Gray said. "It's inspirational to be out here supporting something like this. We've had too many instances in the past where folks have gone off, risked their lives and not felt appreciated. This is a way of appreciating those who have risked their lives to preserve our freedom in this country."

Tony Reali, of ESPN's Around the Horn and Pardon the Interruption, also spoke on the importance of showing appreciation to our nation's military. According to him, a special occasion like this is an opportunity to learn what pride, inner-strength, fortitude, courage and respect is all about.

"The Wounded Warrior program has given them a place to show they are still athletes and that they're the best at what they do," Reali said. "Resiliency is the first thing you notice when you see what they've been through. We're proud to call them our own. They're the best we have and we wouldn't want anyone else serving us."

Dave Jageler, radio play-by-play announcer for the Washington Nationals, was another that stepped away from the microphone and

onto the field as a player. It was his second time participating in the softball classic and was honored to do so again.

"My team has no chance of winning, but it doesn't make it any less fun. The Washington Nationals have done a great job of honoring our military and this is another example of that all-important initiative," Jageler said. "The Nationals adopted this team and brought them down to spring training. They gave them uniforms and a chance to play on a big league field. That really speaks volumes to the organization's commitment to our military. This kind of outreach is just fantastic."

The Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team is the brainchild of head coach David Van Sleet, who created the team in 2011 as a way of bringing attention to the sacrifice and resiliency of military service members. The team is comprised of veterans and active-duty military members from across the U.S. Van Sleet said they travel across the country playing only able-bodied teams.

"Some of these guys didn't even think they were going to live let alone walk or play a sport together," Van Sleet said. "This means the world to them. This is their stage. This is the new normal for



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Former National Football League Cornerback Darryl Green speaks with media during a softball game, April 3, at Nationals Park in Washington. Amputees from the U.S. Army and Marines played a friendly game against local D.C. celebrities for the second year in a row following a Washington Nationals and Boston Red Sox scrimmage to mark the start of the season for Major League Baseball.

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U.S. Marine veteran Josh Wege lost both his legs to roadside bomb in Afghanistan. He said being a part of the Wounded Warrior team means more than anyone can imagine.

"A positive attitude is key in therapy and in any recovery," Wege said. "I was driven to get myself back to this game because I love it so much. It means so much to

me to be out here with my teammates."

A teammate of Wege is U.S. Army veteran Greg Reynolds, who learned to catch and throw with only one arm. According to him, the word disability is not in his vocabulary.

"The only limitations you have in life are the ones you make for yourself," Reynolds said. "And I don't make any."

All season long, Washing-

ton Nationals fans are encouraged to show their support for the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team by purchasing tickets at www.nationals.com/wwast. A portion of the proceeds from each ticket purchased will be donated to the Wounded Warrior program.

For more information about the team, visit www.wounded-warrioramputeesoftball-team.org.

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Department of Defense raises awareness of sexual assault crimes, April is the time

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JOINT BASE ANACOSTIA-BOLLING, D.C. -- The month of April brings warmer weather and more daylight, but within the Department of Defense (DOD) it also brings 30 days of striving to raise awareness of sexual assault crimes across the world and how to prevent them in the future.

Military leadership, almost in unison from across all services, has stated the severity of sexual assault and the zero tolerance it has for the crimes.

"This is my problem and this is your problem," said Adm. Jonathan Greenert, Chief of Naval Operations. "Sexual assault is unacceptable and its roots need to stop at all levels; I can't tolerate it and you shouldn't either."

The DOD's theme for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

(SAAM) is "Hurts one. Affects all. Preventing sexual assault is everyone's duty." It presents an opportunity for commands around the world to dedicate focused attention and training on the importance of eliminating the crimes.

Raising awareness about sexual assault assists in preventing the occurrence of sexual violence. It also stimulates discussion about sexual assault, thus ensuring that it is continually addressed and

discussed within our commands.

Additionally SAAM showcases the services and resources available for victims of sexual assault to include medical care, counseling, criminal investigation support and victim advocacy.

"Through the use of special events and public education we are able to reach a wide audience on each level of the military community," said Alicia Witherspoon, Naval District Washington Sexual Assault Response coordinator (SARC).

At Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling's Community Center Complex, a team of SARCs and victim advocates tied teal ribbons and bows to trees, sending out the subtle reminder of reminding those who see them that April is SAAM and to take a stand to prevent the crimes of sexual assault in the future. One in six trees carried a bow symbolizing the one in six persons who have been a victim of sexual assault crimes in their lifetime.

Sexual assault is intentional sexual contact characterized



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY SENIOR AIRMAN STEELE C. G. BRITTON

Naval District Washington Sexual Assault Response Coordinators tie ribbons to trees at the community center complex to kick off Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), April 2, at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling. SAAM helps to raise awareness of sexual assault crimes across the Department of Defense. "Hurts one, affects all. Prevention of sexual assault is everyone's duty."

by use of force, threats, intimidation, or abuse of authority or when the victim does not or cannot consent. Sexual assault includes rape, forcible sodomy and other unwanted sexual contact that is aggravated, abusive, or wrongful to include unwanted and inappropriate sexual contact or attempts to commit these acts.

A fiscal year 2010 fact

showed that 46 percent of sexual assaults were alcohol-related. Due to it being a frequent facilitator of sexual assaults, it is important to mention that an intoxicated individual cannot consent to sexual activity because consent cannot be granted when a person is sleeping or incapacitated.

"Sexual Assault Awareness is everyone's responsibility," said Witherspoon. "Bystander intervention is being integrated into training for sailors and it is essential to changing the culture within the Navy [and DOD] about sexual assault. It is a multifaceted, aggressive and persistent approach designed to ed-

Sexual Assault Awareness Month 2012

JBAB Events

April 6
11 A.M. to 1 P.M. - D.C. Sexual Assault Awareness Walk
John Marshall Park, Washington

April 10, 17, 24
9 to 11 A.M. - Information Tables
Commissary, BX, Library, Shoppette, Gyms

April 17
11 A.M. to 1 P.M. - Dormitory Residents Barbeque
USAF Honor Guard Dormitories

April 25
4 to 7 P.M. - Dormitory Residents Barbeque
Blanchard Barracks

For more information and other events happening in the National Capital Region for Sexual Assault Awareness Month call (202) 433-6148 or e-mail: winifred.witherspoon@navy.mil

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54% of sexual assaults are not reported to police.

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Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling Easter Egg Hunt



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Children participate in an Easter Egg Hunt on March 31 at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, D.C. The hunt was separated in to age appropriate groups ranging from 2-13-year-olds. Most of the eggs had candy inside but a few select eggs had a piece of paper inside that could be redeemed for an Easter basket.

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Retired Air Force Gen. Richard Myers pointed out that when anyone comes to visit Washington, D.C., particularly during the spring season, it's all about the Japanese cherry blossoms.

"These trees are a symbol of the bond between the U.S. and Japan," Myers said. "There is solidarity between our two forces. Together, we try to make the world a better place for everyone."

Fujisaki thanked everyone for attending the brisk, but beautiful morning ceremony, joking that his representatives stressed the essential ABCs to him prior to the event (Anacostia-Bolling and Calandra). He said he hopes to visit JBAB again in the future.

"The people of Japan will never forget the U.S. standing with us during our most difficult moments in history," Fujisaki said. "This is a great event and I sure hope to come back one day and see how the trees are doing."

More than 35,000 U.S. service members are stationed in Japan at any given time. In many cases, they are accompanied by family members, bringing the total number of those affiliated with the U.S. military residing in Japan to approximately 80,000 people, according to the USMJAA.



U.S. NAVY PHOTO BY MASS COMMUNICATION SPECIALIST 2ND CLASS MATHEW J. DIENDORF
Ambassador of Japan to the U.S. Ichiro Fujisaki and Navy. Capt. Anthony T. Calandra, Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling commander, plant one of five cherry trees during a ceremony, April 5, along the Potomac River at JBAB. This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the gift of over 3,000 cherry trees given to the city of Washington, D.C. The cherry tree symbolizes the bond between the U.S. and Japan.

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Tech Sgt. Jerrel Guerra

What's your favorite color, and why?

My favorite color is black. I'm a metal head at heart, and 99 percent of t-shirts are black.

What's your favorite candy?

Bottle caps, especially the root beer flavored ones.

What is your favorite movie quote?

"This is the AK-47, the preferred weapon of the enemy. It makes a distinct sound when fired, so remember it." said by Clint Eastwood from the movie *Heartbreak Ridge*

If you could have any super power, what would it be and why?

My super power would be the ability to heal wounds and save a life. Superman can fly and dodge bullets, Batman has cool gadgets and can kick butt. Neither was able to save the ones they loved. I'm a big family person; I love my family and would do anything for them.

What would you do if you won \$1 million?

Pay off all of my family's debt. Then I would put away the remainder into savings for my children.

Who inspires you, and why?

It would be my favorite mentor, my father-in-law. He has always been there to guide me through my career and help with personal issues. We share a unique bond which I have not found with any other person. I one day hope to be just like him, to be there for someone as he's been there for me.

What is your best military memory?

My best military memory



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Tech Sgt. Jerrel Guerra, Defense Intelligence Agency web developer, is this week's Ace on Deck for Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling. Guerra was chosen by his leadership for his professionalism and dedication to the DIA and JBAB team. He enjoys many aspects of his job but states the best part is the many different people he gets to work with. Guerra hails from Jacksonville, Fla.

would have to be when my squadron commander, Maj. Fairchild, presented my Good Conduct and my first U.S. Air Force Achievement Medal. I was leaving my first duty assignment at Offutt Air Force Base and it was literally the day before I planned to start driving to Alabama. He came to me and stated that I needed to pull my service dress out of the moving truck and be at work at 7 a.m. the next day. I didn't know what to think. I spent four or five hours digging for my service coat that night. When I showed up that next morning, I was escorted to the auditorium and showed my seat in the front row. Maj. Fairchild stood up and addressed the squadron stating they were all there to say goodbye to an amazing

Airman, me. Then he presented both medals. Shortly after all the handshakes, I changed clothes in the bathroom and started my 16-hour trip.

What do you want people to know about you?

I've always been a people person. The one thing I want people to know is that I'm here to help. I've jump started a co-worker's car in the snow, fixed countless technical issues and even taken someone to the airport at 4 a.m. I get more joy out of helping others than just coming to work, doing my daily tasks and leaving for the day. If you need assistance with something, please ask.

The Gift of an Ark, changing the world two by two

BY PEGGY EYLER

JBAB PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

The "Gift of an Ark" was the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling Chapel Protestant Lenten Commitment Challenge for 2012.

This was a five-week program that called attention to Heifer International, an organization whose mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty, and care for the Earth. They do this by giving families livestock, a source of food and income, and then ensuring that these families pass on the gift by sharing their animals' offspring, along with knowledge and skills to care for the animals.

Sheep, for example, provide families with high-quality wool to weave into

clothes or sell for income, and their milk is rich and nutritious.

The JBAB Chapel Protestant Community Challenge kicked off Feb. 26 with a goal of collecting \$5,000 for one Gift Ark. "Ark Banks" were distributed along with calendars that offered daily activities for adding to the bank. Each week, a different animal was featured, along with an explanation about how the animal could help a family become self-sufficient.

The challenge concluded April 1, Palm Sunday, with the collection of donations totaling \$7,779--enough to fill not only one Gift Ark, but half of a second ark for the world's poor and hungry. Much appreciation is given to all who helped make our challenge a reality.

the BUZZ on base

What are your plans for the springtime weather?

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"Study for staff sergeant and eat healthier."	"PCS to Hawaii for a year-round spring break."	"Studying for classes, taking vacation and enjoying the warmth."	"Vacationing to New Jersey and Pennsylvania."

Do you have an idea for a Buzz on Base question?
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ASSAULT

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educate individuals on their responsibilities to intervene in situations of possible assault to prevent others from making poor decisions that could

lead to a sexual assault."

SARCs throughout NDW and Air Force District of Washington are ensuring their visibility throughout the National Capitol Region during the month of April. Events on installations and in downtown Washington are planned to raise awareness of sexual assault to all

Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers, Marines and DOD employees. For more information call (202) 685-1182.

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Daily Lunch Buffet Special

Tuesday-Friday | 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. | Bolling Club

Tuesday- Panini station, soup, salad bar, sandwich buffet, ice cream bar and dessert table.

Wednesday- Beef carvery

Thursday- Pork chops, soup, salad bar, ice cream bar and dessert table.

Friday- Seafood, salad bar and ice cream bar are also available.

Members: \$9.95 Non-Members: \$11.95

For parties of 10 or more, \$1 will be added to each person's meal. Call 202-563-8400/3800 for more information.

WASP Social Hours – New Dinner Menu

Stop by the WASP Lounge Wednesday-Friday and enjoy our new menu options for dinner. The new menu includes meals for kids, sandwiches, salads, other dinner entrees and daily specials! Pick up a menu today! Call 202-563-8400/3800 for more information.

Video Game Nights

Come check out Video Game Nights free! Offered on a first-come, first-served basis every Wednesday and Friday from 5-7 p.m.

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GAMER'S CHOICE FRIDAY- Choose from Wii, Playstation3 or Xbox 360 games. Games can only be played in the JBAB Library and must be checked out at the circulation desk. Headphones are also available upon request. Call 202-767-5578 for more information.

Membership Free Drawing

Tuesdays and Thursdays | 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. | Bolling Club - Washington Dining Room Club members—here's your opportunity to win a free Sunday brunch! Winners are drawn every Tuesday and Thursday at noon. Must be present to win. Members must show proper ID as well as a valid club membership card.

Call 202-563-8400/3800 for more information.

2-for-1 Steak Dinner

Every Thursday | 5-8:30 p.m. | Bolling Club Choose from a juicy 12-ounce rib eye or New York Strip, and your choice of a tossed or iceberg wedge salad, and russet or sweet baked potato with butter, sour cream, chives, and bacon bits. All meals come with a roll and butter, as well as coffee, tea, or iced tea. Select appetizers, desserts, and drink specials will be offered.

Club Members: \$23.95 for two; Non-Members: \$23.95 per person.

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Movie Madness Feature

Fridays | 5 p.m.

We feature a popular recently released 'G' or 'PG'-rated movie & serve COMPLIMENTARY theater-style popcorn and a drink. All children under age 10 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at least 16 years of age while watching the movie. The weekly movie will be advertised on our outside portable marquee and posted at the circulation desk. Call 202-767-5578 for more information.

New York City Day Trip

May 19 | 8 a.m.-10 p.m. | New York City | Sign up by May 11 We are headed to New York City! Enjoy sightseeing, shopping or catching a Broadway show. Reserve your seat today at the ITT office.

Price: \$50 per person

Please call 202-404-6576 for more information.

Guess the Amount of Jelly Beans in the Jar Contest Club Members!

Be the lucky one who guesses the closest to the number of jelly beans in the jar. The winner will be drawn on National Jelly Bean day April 23. Must be a club member. Entry will be your name/duty phone number on the back of a lunch receipt. Winner will receive two tickets to the Michael Jackson Cirque Du Soleil show. Call 202-563-8400/3800 for more information.

Intramural Soccer

Sign up by May 14

Season starts May 21

Intramural Softball

Sign up by May 14

Season starts May 21

Intramural Flag Football

Sign up by Aug. 27

Season starts Sept. 8

Intramural Basketball

Sign up by Nov. 21

Season starts Dec. 3

Champagne Sunday Brunch

April 15, 22 & 29 | 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. | Bolling Club - Washington Dining Room Join us for the best Sunday brunch in the National Capital Region, featuring seasonal fruits, eggs benedict, made-to-order omelets, scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, Belgian waffles, carving station, salad bar and dessert bar. A selection of lunch entrees is also available. Buffet includes complimentary champagne, screw drivers and Bloody Marys. Members: \$17.95 Non-Members: \$22.95 Call 202-563-8400/3800 for more information.

Pre-Separation Brief

Mandatory briefing for service members who are retiring or separating from the military.

Classes are held:

April 17 9-11 a.m. MFSC Bldg. 13 Sign up by April 13

April 24 9-11 a.m. MFSC Bldg. 13 Sign up by April 20

Call 202-767-0450 or 202-433-6151 for more information.

Pre-deployment Briefing

April 10, 17 & 24 | 10 a.m.-Noon | MFSC Bldg. 13 This class is for those with deployment orders. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Call 202-767-0450 for more information.

Story Time

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 a.m. | Library April 10 "Celebrate Library Week"

April 12 "Celebrating Birthdays with Military Children"

April 17 "We Love Our Big Planet"

April 19 "Recycle!"

April 24 "Kermit the Frog Appreciates Military Children" Puppet Show April 26 "Arbor Day"

Call 202-767-5578 for more information.

Right Start

April 18 | 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. | MFSC Bldg 13 For all Air Force personnel new to Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling, come and learn about what JBAB has to offer. Must register to participate. Call 202-767-0450 for more information.

Anger Management

April 11, 18 & 25 | 9-11 a.m. | MFSC Bldg. 72 | Sign up soon.

Anger is a normal feeling, but do you know what to do when the heat rises in a situation? In this class you can learn about the patterns of angry behavior and a variety of acceptable coping strategies to handle angry feelings. This class is designed to help you reduce unacceptable expressions of anger at home and work. Registration is required. Must attend all four sessions to receive a certificate. Call 202-433-6151 for more information.



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Political guidance during election season

Active duty personnel are prohibited by DoD Directive 1344.10 paragraph 4.1.2.10 from marching in a partisan political parade regardless of whether they are in uniform or civilian clothing. Reservists not on active duty and retirees may not march in uniform pursuant to paragraph 4.1.4. Reservists not on active duty and retirees may march in civilian clothes provided they do not otherwise act in a manner that could reasonably give rise to the inference or appearance of official sponsorship, approval, or endorsement. The directive is a lawful general regulation. Violations of paragraphs 4.1. through 4.5. of the Directive by persons subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice are punishable under Article 92, "Failure to Obey Order or Regulation."

In-service recruiter looks to retain qualified Airmen for Reserves

All Airmen preparing to separate from active duty due to the end of their enlistment are required to attend a Palace Front briefing to learn about opportunities in the Air Force Reserves as part of their out-processing check list.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, send an e-mail to Darryl.Washington@afncr.af.mil.

DDOT construction impact on Firth Sterling

The D.C. Department of Transportation began construction along the streetcar tracks on Firth Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street Feb. 21. The work is expected to run until further notice.

Slip Inn open for business

While the Slip Inn is under construction, it is still open. For more information, call 202-767-5840.

Suspicious phone calls

If you receive a suspicious phone call, do not answer ques-

tions and do NOT hang up at the end of the call. Set the phone down and report the incident to JBAB Security Services at 202-767-5000. Make sure to follow all instructions given.

JB Andrews Job Fair

The Joint Base Andrews Club is hosting a job fair from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 18, sponsored by the Joint Base Andrews Top 3. All DoD ID card holders are encouraged to participate. Others wishing to participate should register for the event no later than April 13.

For more information or to register, e-mail top3jobfair-janet@aol.com, or call 540-226-1473. Attach resumes to e-mails with the subject line "Andrews Job Fair."

Participants should bring at least 20 copies of their resume. Attire is business dress or military uniform.

Call 433-3333 for on-base emergencies

For on-base emergencies, dial (202) 433-3333. Dialing 911 will delay response by alerting off-base responders who do not typically have access to the installation. To report suspicious activity at JBAB, dial (202) 767-5000. "If you see something, say something!"

Career day

Career day will be held on April 12, at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling and Joint Base Andrews.

Session 1 - JBAB / Stewart Theater / 9-10:30 a.m.

Session 2 - Andrews / Base Theater / 1-5 p.m.

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Earth Day celebration

JBAB will celebrate Earth Day April 21 at the Marina with the annual Potomac River Watershed Clean-up, a Blessing of the Fleet ceremony and chili cook-off.

JBAB Commissary Easter hours

Easter Sunday is April 8. The JBAB Commissary Easter Sunday hours of operation will be 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 202-767-5732 ext. 229.

Asian-Pacific Heritage Month committee

JBAB Protocol is in need of volunteers to chair the Asian-Pacific Heritage Month committee. Contact 202-404-6775 for more information on how to get involved.

Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony

A Holocaust Remembrance Ceremony will be held on April 19 at 2 p.m. on the Air Force Ceremonial Lawn. The guest speaker will be Charles Stein, a Holocaust survivor. For additional information contact 202-767-5900.

Sexual Assault Response Coordinator Hotline

The JBAB Sexual Assault Response Coordinator hotline phone number is (202) 767-7272.

Bone marrow registration drive

There will be a bone marrow donor registration drive from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 20 at the Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling Exchange. Call 202-404-3203 for more information.

Track closed for construction

The base track is now closed for a construction project. For your safety, do not interfere with construction by disregarding fencing and posted signs. The new PT test route is at the end of Duncan Ave. near Stewart Theater until further notice. Drivers please use caution while using this portion of the road during testing.

Chapel Schedule

CATHOLIC SERVICES

Weekend Mass

Saturday...5 p.m.....Chapel Center

Sunday.....9:30 a.m.....Chapel Center

Reconciliation

Saturday ...4:30 p.m....Chapel Center

Sunday.....9 a.m.....Chapel Center

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