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## This Week at Fleet Activities Yokosuka



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# AROUND CFAY

## CFAY Hosts Grand Reopening Ribbon Cutting for Italian Gardens



**Capt. Jonathan Hopkins and Club Manager Asa Yamashita cut the ribbon during the reopening ceremony for Italian Gardens at Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, March 2, 2026. The restaurant reopened following renovations conducted Feb. 1 to March 1 that introduced updated flooring, lighting, and a new open concept layout to enhance dining and community events. The improvements support morale, retention, and readiness by strengthening quality of life programs for service members and their families. (Photo by Sheryl Sullivan, CFAY Public Affairs)**

**Story by Sheryl Sullivan, CFAY Public Affairs**

**A** refreshed Italian Garden welcomed the CFAY community back March 2, 2026 as Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY), Capt. Jonathan Hopkins and Club Manager Asa Yamashita cut the ribbon to mark the restaurant's official reopening following a month-long renovation led by Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR).

The Italian Garden kitchen continued offering takeout and delivery services, ensuring uninterrupted support to the Sailors, families, and civilians that frequent the restaurant. The renovations that occurred in the dining room however, modernized the restaurant's interior and reconfigured the layout to better support the fleet and community.

Guests stepping inside following the ribbon cutting were met with a noticeably brighter and more open atmosphere. New wood-print flooring, fresh paint and updated wall finishes lightened the space, and rattan-

style fixtures reinforced the restaurant's garden theme. The removal of wooden dividers created an open concept layout designed to adapt easily for buffets and larger facility-wide events.

With its doors open once again, Italian Garden is ready to host everything from quick weekday lunches and brunches to milestone celebrations and command functions, offering the CFAY community not just great food, but a flexible space to gather, connect, and recharge.

For more than 80 years, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka has provided, maintained, and operated base facilities and services in support of the U.S. 7th Fleet's forward-deployed naval forces, tenant commands, and thousands of military and civilian personnel and their families.



**Before renovation (upper) and after renovation (lower). (Photos by John Sullivan, MWR Yokosuka)**



# New Bowling and Food Court Complex to Advance CFAY Quality-of-Life Transformation

Story by James Kimber, CFAY Public Affairs

The closure along C Street at the intersection of Clement Boulevard marks the beginning of a massive shift for Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY), as crews are currently redirecting and upsizing utility lines within the construction laydown area to meet the requirements for a new 68,000-square-foot community recreation and dining complex – the next major milestone in the installation’s multi-year quality-of-life transformation.

The two-story facility is set to house a state-of-the-art Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) bowling center and a multi-vendor Navy Exchange (NEX) food court, replacing the installation’s current bowling center. The existing 45-year-old center has served the CFAY community well for decades, and this project ensures the next generation of Sailors and families have a facility that matches the evolving needs of a modern forward-deployed force.



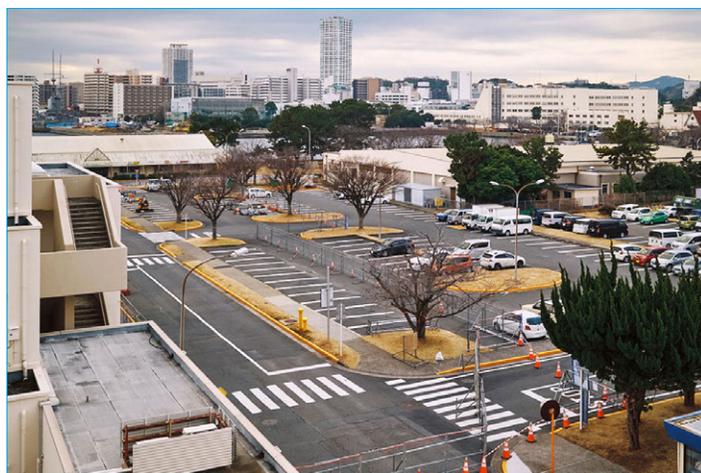
court with seating for 288 patrons, complemented by an internal snack bar as well as a large game room, private party rooms, and a dedicated lounge area designed for family-friendly recreation.

As with the ongoing unaccompanied housing upgrades, the timeline for the new bowling and dining complex is part of a deliberate strategy to balance and minimize impact of construction projects across the installation

Two new multi-level parking structures currently under construction, a four-level steel structure near Kyuban and Jyuban towers and a second facility west of the main NEX building, will add more than 750 parking spaces to the installation. Completing those structures first offsets the surface lots displaced by construction laydown areas and sets the conditions for construction on the new bowling and dining complex to begin.

“We have the opportunity and the capability to move forward with all of these projects and more,” said Hopkins. “But launching them all simultaneously would severely strain an already tight parking situation. By prioritizing the parking structures and staggering the remaining projects, we deliver improvements to the community as quickly as possible while minimizing the day-to-day impact.”

Following the new facility’s opening, the current Main Street Food Court will be demolished and converted into a 279-space asphalt parking lot. Combined with the more than 750 spaces from the two new multi-level parking structures, the installation will gain over 1,000 new parking spaces to support the growing needs of the CFAY community.



“Our Sailors and their families are forward-deployed thousands of miles from home, and they deserve world-class facilities that reflect the significance of their service and sacrifice,” said Capt. Jonathan Hopkins, Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka. “This facility is a direct investment in the readiness and resilience of our force, giving our people have a place to unwind, connect, and recharge, they return to the mission stronger.”

The new facility is set to be a significant upgrade in both scale and technology. Key features of the complex include: an expanded 28-lane modern bowling alley supported by a dedicated pro shop, a multi-vendor food

This multi-year modernization effort represents a deliberate investment in the quality of life at CFAY.

# Did You Know: Traffic Safety Trivia

A. Stop line

B. Do not enter

C. End of control

D. Primary road

1.



2.



3.



4.



Answers: A-2, B-1, C-4, D-3



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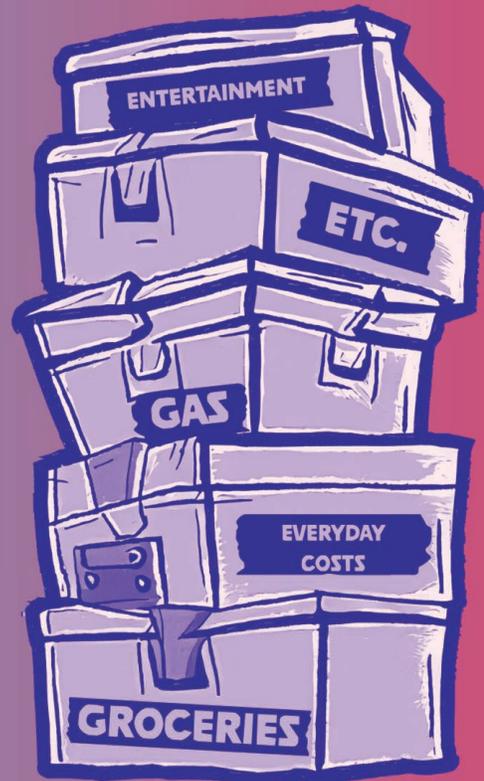
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# BEYOND THE GATE



## Yokohama St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 14 (Saturday)

12:30 to 4 p.m. (Parade starts at 2 p.m.) | Motomachi Shopping Street (2-minute walk from JR Ishikawacho Station, JK-09, or Minato-Mirai Line Motomachi-Chukagai Station (Motomachi Exit), MM-06)

Join the celebration for Ireland's most famous spring festival by donning the color green and coming to Motomachi. Listen to Irish music and enjoy the welcoming atmosphere under a collection of green, white and orange balloons, the colors of the Irish flag.



## Green Ireland Festival/ The St. Patrick's Day Parade

March 14 (Saturday) - 15 (Sunday)

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. | Yoyogi Park Event Square (10-minute walk from JR Harajuku Station, JY-19)/Omotedando Street (1-minute walk from Tokyo Metro Meiji-Jinguumae Station, C-03 or Tokyo Metro Omotesandou Station, G-02) St. Patrick's Day in Tokyo is celebrated every year with the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. The parade starts at 1 p.m. on Sunday.



## Nostalgic Car Festa in Yokosuka

March 15 (Sunday)

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. | Verny Park (2-minute walk from Yokosuka Main Base Coaska Gate)/Ichigo Yokosuka Port Market (10-minute walk/3-minute drive from Yokosuka Base Womble Gate)

It will be held at two different locations this year! Enjoy an exhibition of more than 50 historic cars, food trucks and a local products fair.



## Shonan Enoshima Spring Festival

March 14 (Saturday) - 15 (Sunday)

From 10 a.m. | Emoshoima and Katase Higashima Beach (10-minute walk from Enoden Enoshima Station, EN-06) The Shonan Enoshima Spring Festival is a great way to experience wholesome mix of Japanese shrines, intriguing caves and beaches plus impressive horseback archery (Katase Beach, Saturday, at 12 p.m.). One of the festival's biggest draws is the Samurai Warrior Procession through Enoshima Benzaiten Nakamise Street (Saturday, 10 a.m.). There will also be a street performance and ninjya experience event.

# NEWS AND NOTICES

## YOKOSUKA VETERINARY TREATMENT FACILITY CLOSING DATE FOR MARCH

- Closed, Tuesday March 31
- Every Thursday, half day
- Front Desk only, March 11, 12 and 13
- Normal hours of operation: From 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## TACO BELL CLOSURE

Taco Bell is closed From Monday, March 9 to 13 (Monday - Friday) due to scheduled maintenance. Business will resume on March 14 or as soon as possible.

## PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL

Want to effect change and be a part of healthcare solutions that affect our Sailors and their families? Join the Patient and Family Partnership Council at U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Yokosuka. Engage directly with hospital leadership in matters that concern the health and welfare of CFAY. Join us at the upcoming meetings.

- April 7 (Tuesday) from 4 to 5 p.m. in the library at the Community Resource Center.

If there is a specialty or any medical personnel you are hoping to meet, please let us know so we can try our best to ensure attendance. You can also send in questions beforehand to our distro email:

[dha.yokosuka.yokosuka-nh.list.pfpc@health.mil](mailto:dha.yokosuka.yokosuka-nh.list.pfpc@health.mil)

## SHIPSHAPE 2026 8-WEEK WEIGHT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Shipsshape is a Healthy Lifestyle Change Program managed by USNH Yokosuka's Wellness Center.

### Highlights:

- Bodycomposition scans
- Nutrition and fitness coaching
- Expert-led classes
- SMART goal setting
- Supportive group environment

### Dates for 2026 sessions:

- April 17 - June 3
- July 8 - Aug. 26
- Sept. 16 - Nov. 4

Classes will be held Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 4:40 to 5:30 p.m. at Fleet Rec Center Room 323. Call 243-9776 or (046) 816-9776.

## USNH YOKOSUKA PATIENT FAMILY INFLUENZA VACCINATION

USNH Yokosuka's Immunization Clinic will offer flu vaccines at the hospital during regular walk-in hours.

- All Eligible Patients (including Space A) Walk-In: From 8 to 10 a.m., Monday - Friday
- Active-Duty Only Walk-In: From 1 to 3 p.m., Thursday and Friday

## VOLUNTEER WITH US

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- Special Events
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- Youth Clubs

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## ANIMAL VISITATION PROGRAM

If you have a dog, Red Cross Yokosuka needs you! For program requirements and questions, email: [jacee.maldonado@redcross.org](mailto:jacee.maldonado@redcross.org) or [yokosuka@redcross.org](mailto:yokosuka@redcross.org). All participating dogs must successfully complete the AKC Canine Good Citizen Evaluation.

## CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES

**Yokosuka:** Rickert Drive partial road closure to remove and install a new high voltage cable until March 31. Work will be conducted on the weekends to minimize impacts to the community.

- Radford Road partial road closure to remove and install a new high voltage cable until March 31.

• Gridley Tunnel second closure. Second closure is for permanent high voltage power repairs. The second closure (until July 31, 2028) is only for vehicular traffic. Tunnel is open for pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

- The parking lot immediately in front of ATG is secured through 2027 in support of the NSST Shiphandling Trainer construction. Additionally, half of the 12-hour parking lot is also secured to support NSST construction material laydown and management.

**Ikego:** Imattumi Road partial closure for general excavation work until Dec. 30, 2026.

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