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The 87th Black Ship Festival



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The 87th Black Ship Festival Strengthens the Bonds between Japan and the United States

Story and photos by Sheryl Sullivan,
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The steady rhythm of marching shoes echoed through the streets of Shimoda as crowds gathered along the parade route waving American and Japanese flags while music from marching bands carried through the coastal city.

For many, the 87th Black Ship Festival was a celebration of history, friendship and cultural exchange. For me, it was also familiar. Nearly two decades earlier, I marched these same streets as a high school JROTC cadet during the Black Ship Festival in 2005- 2007, long before returning to Japan to document the tradition alongside U.S. Sailors participating in this year's events.

What began with the arrival of Commodore Matthew Perry in Shimoda in 1854 as a historic moment has evolved into a tradition centered on cultural exchange, community connection and the longstanding friendship between the United States and Japan.

This year, the USS Howard (DDG 83) served as the official visiting ship, bringing Sailors ashore to participate in



Capt. David Huljack, commodore of Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 15 participates in a wreath-laying ceremony during the Gyokusenji Temple Memorial Ceremony as part of the 87th Annual Shimoda Black Ship Festival in Shimoda, Japan, May 16, 2026. The festival commemorates the 1854 arrival of Commodore Matthew C. Perry and his "black ships" to Shimoda, and the subsequent signing of the Japan-U.S. Treaty of Peace and Amity marking the start of diplomacy and trade between both countries.

community outreach events, cultural exchanges and ceremonies throughout the weekend.

The festival began with community visits to local elementary and junior high schools, where Sailors from Howard spent time with students through sports, games and English-language activities. Gymnasiums filled with the sound of bouncing basketballs, laughter and enthusiastic conversations as students and Sailors connected through shared experiences despite language differences.

Later in the evening, the atmosphere shifted from celebration to reflection during a memorial service at Gyokusenji Temple. Surrounded by the scent of ocean air and incense drifting through the temple grounds, visitors gathered to honor the longstanding relationship between the United States and Japan while performances from the U.S. 7th Fleet Band echoed through the hillside overlooking Shimoda Bay. As the sun set along the waterfront, residents and visitors crowded the shoreline



66th Black Ship Festival photo on USS John S. McCain. (Photo by Omar Hasan, former Kinnick High School Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Instructor)



Rear Adm. Ian Johnson, commander, U.S. Naval Forces Japan/Navy Region Japan visits the USS Howard (DDG 83) during the 87th Black Ship Festival in Shimoda, Japan, May 15, 2026. The festival commemorates the 1854 arrival of Commodore Matthew C. Perry and his “black ships” to Shimoda, and the subsequent signing of the Japan-U.S. Treaty of Peace and Amity marking the start of diplomacy and trade between both countries. Howard is forward-deployed and assigned to Destroyer Squadron (DESRON) 15, the Navy’s largest DESRON and U.S. 7th Fleet’s principal surface force. U.S. 7th Fleet, the Navy’s largest forward-deployed numbered fleet, routinely interacts and operates with allies and partners in preserving a free and open Indo-Pacific.

for a fireworks display that illuminated the harbor in bursts of red, gold and blue ahead of the weekend’s formal ceremonies.

On day two, under beautiful sunny skies at Shimoda Park, the festival reached its ceremonial centerpiece during the 87th Black Ship Festival Official Ceremony. Distinguished guests included U.S. Ambassador George Glass, commander, U.S. Naval Forces Japan representatives, Shimoda City Mayor Shoichiro Matsuki, Newport, Rhode Island Mayor Charlie Holder and distinguished guests from Newport, Shimoda’s official sister city.

Following the ceremony, local residents, dignitaries and service members filled the streets for the festival’s joint parade through downtown Shimoda. Sailors assigned to the Howard marched shoulder-to-shoulder with the U.S. 7th Fleet Band, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force personnel, Japan Coast Guard members, U.S. Marines, local police, school groups and civic organizations as spectators lined the route applauding and waving from sidewalks and storefronts.

Watching the parade unfold felt strikingly similar to the memories I carried from participating in the festival years earlier as a young cadet. The sounds remained familiar, synchronized footsteps against pavement, whistles from parade coordinators and band music echoing through

the city streets, but the perspective had changed. Years ago, I experienced the festival as a military kid and as a DOWEA student living Japan for the first time. One year, I even had the rare opportunity to ride and arrived aboard a participating ship, before joining cultural activities with local Japanese high school students throughout the celebration. Returning now alongside Sailors participating in the same traditions offered a different appreciation for the relationships the festival continues to build across generations and cultures.

The final day brought together teams from the U.S. Navy, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force, Japan Coast Guard and local schools for community sporting events featuring basketball, volleyball and a large-scale tug-of-war competition. Friendly cheers and laughter carried across the fields as participants and spectators gathered for one final day of camaraderie before the festival concluded.

For many Sailors, the festival represented more than a port visit. It provided an opportunity to engage with the local community and experience Japanese culture firsthand. For the people of Shimoda, the annual tradition continues to symbolize a friendship that began more than 170 years ago and remains rooted in mutual respect, partnership and shared experiences.

For me, returning to Shimoda brought those connections into a sharper focus. What once felt like an exciting opportunity to experience another culture as a student now carried a deeper appreciation for the relationships built through shared traditions, conversations and community.

More than a historical commemoration, the Black Ship Festival continues to serve as a reminder that the alliance between the United States and Japan is strengthened not only through diplomacy and military partnerships, but through the personal connections formed between communities, service members and generations of participants who continue to return to Shimoda year after year.



CFAY Kicks Off 101 Critical Days of Summer

Story by MC1 James R. Mitchell, CFAY Public Affairs

Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) kicked off the Navy's 101 Critical Days of Summer with a safety training at the installation's Fleet Theater May 21, urging Sailors, civilians and families to stay vigilant during a period historically marked by a sharp rise in off duty mishaps. Naval Safety Command (NAVSAFECOM) reports that during the same timeframe last year, 27 service members were killed off duty, most in preventable roadway incidents.

"Data continues to show a general lack of situational awareness and complacency," NAVSAFECOM said, underscoring the need for early, proactive risk management.

The goal of CFAY Safety Department's training is simple: keep every Sailor and family member safe, mission ready, and present for duty. The summer season – from Memorial Day through Labor Day – brings increased travel, outdoor recreation and holiday celebrations, all of which increase risk if precautions are ignored.

Heat illness remains one of the most common and preventable dangers. NAVSAFECOM reports that in 2023, 294 people in the U.S. died from excessive heat, and the Navy saw an increase in heat related injuries in fiscal year 2024. Sailors should recognize early symptoms such as cramps, dizziness and heavy sweating, and take immediate action before conditions worsen. CFAY Safety Director Amanda Grose informs Sailors during the training, "In the summer heat – stay hydrated, use sunscreen, and take breaks in the shade before the heat catches up with you."

Bicycle and water safety remain priorities for a base surrounded by busy roads and open water. Nearly 1,000 cyclists are killed each year in the U.S., most in collisions with vehicles. "Remember that wearing your helmet, staying visible, obeying traffic rules, and assuming drivers may not see you are good rules to live by," Grose said. Drowning also remains a leading cause of accidental death, with more than 4,000 fatalities annually. Even strong swimmers should use the buddy system and stay alert to rip currents, drop offs and changing conditions. Grose advised that, "Around the water, wear your life jackets, swim with a buddy, and keep a close, undistracted eye on the kids."

Driving and motorcycle safety remain the most urgent concerns. Last year, 45 Sailors and Marines were killed in motorcycle crashes, and speeding contributed to nearly one third of all U.S. traffic deaths. Grose encouraged Sailors to, "plan your trips, take breaks, and always have a designated driver if your plans involve alcohol." Alcohol also remains a major factor in summer mishaps, especially around water and outdoor activities.

Grose said every Sailor is essential to the mission and every loss is preventable. "The bottom line is to look out for yourselves and look out for each other. We want you to relax, have fun, and make great memories with your families this summer, but please do it safely." She continued, "you are our most important asset and the most valuable part of the CFAY Team – without you our mission will not succeed."

For more information, Sailors can contact the CFAY Safety Office or visit the Naval Safety Command website: <https://navalsafetycommand.navy.mil/Off-Duty/101-CDOS/>

Firefly Season Has Arrived!



Photo by James Kimber, CFAY Public Affairs

By CFAY Environmental Division

Firefly season has arrived! Experience the magic of Ikego's fireflies from now through June! Head to the Ikego Joint Use Area or Campground streams between 7:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to witness Japan's famous Genji and Heike fireflies. These species are larger and brighter than those in the U.S., but they need our protection to survive.

Firefly Viewing Tips:

Action	Why It Matters
Kill the Lights	No flashlights or flash photography. Artificial light prevents fireflies from mating.
Stay on the Path	Keep out of the streams and off the banks to protect pupae living in the soil.
Look, Don't Touch	Capturing fireflies is prohibited to help combat declining populations.

Pro Tip: You won't need a flashlight! The viewing areas offer stable footing, and your eyes will adjust naturally to the dark. Enjoy the show and help us keep Ikego's habitat thriving.

Conquering the Peak: Preparing for the 2026 Mount Fuji Climbing Season

Story and photo by AN Lara Llabres,
CFAY Public Affairs

For many stationed at Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY), the towering silhouette of Mount Fuji is a daily reminder of the adventures that await in Japan. Each summer, the iconic volcano presents both a formidable challenge and a rewarding experience, drawing thousands of climbers.

Through the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC), the installation provides service members, families, and civilians with the tools and training to safely summit Japan's highest peak. The program guides both novice and experienced hikers through a rigorous preparation process, ensuring they are ready for the demanding trek to the 12,388-foot summit.

With the climbing season limited to July and August, the journey to the top begins months earlier with an emphasis on safety, physical readiness, and meticulous planning.

"Climbing Mount Fuji is a bucket-list item for so many people stationed here, but it's not a simple hike," said Ada Marie, a recreation assistant at the MWR Outdoor Recreation Center. "Our goal is to break down that process into manageable steps, from early registration to guided preparatory hikes. We're here to help the community achieve their goal safely."

The timeline for preparation is strict. From March to April, individuals planning to climb on their own must secure a permit online for the popular Yoshida Trail, which is capped at 4,000 hikers per day. By May, all prospective climbers must complete a mandatory safety briefing before registering for an ORC tour.

These briefings heavily emphasize proper outfitting to ensure climbers are ready for the harsh and changing conditions on the volcano.

"When it comes to the climb itself, having the right equipment is non-negotiable," said Camille Porter, an ORC recreation assistant. "The most important gear you need is a hiking pole, a headlamp, and waterproof shoes." The ORC-led trips simplify the complex logistics of the climb.

"Booking for the ORC's guided day and overnight trips opens on June 1, and they fill up fast," said Marie. "Knowing that transportation and lodging in a mountain

hut are handled allows you to focus purely on the physical and mental preparation."

To build the necessary endurance, the program offers a series of conditioning hikes that escalate in difficulty:

- Beginner Hike at Hiei Crater: June 6 and 27
- Intermediate Hike to the 1st-5th Station: June 20 and July 11

"The prep hikes were crucial," said Porter. "They give you a real sense of the altitude and terrain. You realize that climbing Fuji is as much a mental game as a physical one. Doing it with your shipmates makes all the difference."

Whether choosing a strenuous single-day Saturday trip or a more paced two-day overnight tour, the experience fosters a unique sense of camaraderie. For many, the program is as much about building community resilience as it is about personal achievement.

If you are unsure about what to pack or how to train, the ORC staff stand by to answer any questions you might have about Mt. Fuji or any other outdoor recreation adventures.

The program serves as both a release from the stresses of operational life and a powerful reminder that with the right preparation, even the highest peaks are within reach. For a full schedule, visit the MWR Yokosuka Mt. Fuji page at www.navymwryokosuka.com/recreation/mt-fuji-climbing-season or call 315-243-5732.



From left, Cyanne Monforte, Camille Porter, and Ada Marie, recreation assistants at the Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC), showcase essential hiking equipment at Commander, Fleet Activities Yokosuka, May 14. The ORC provides service members and their families with rental gear, safety briefs, and resources to ensure they are properly prepared to safely summit Mount Fuji during the summer climbing season.

Did You Know: Traffic Safety Trivia

A. Stop line

B. Do not enter

C. End of control

D. Primary road



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



American Red Cross Classes CPR Training, Basic Life Support, and Babysitting Basics

All classes are blended learning classes. Classes may be added based on community need and instructor availability. Enroll today!

CPR/AED/First Aid Course (\$18)

- Tuesday, June 2, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, June 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Saturday, June 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 2, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

BLS: Basic Life Support (\$12)

- Monday May 18, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Thursday June 4, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Babysitting Basics/Pediatric CPR (\$18)

- Tuesday July 9, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

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.

HEADSPACE MENTAL FITNESS CHALLENGE

YOUR INSTALLATION IS COMPETING

★ MAY 18 – JUNE 1 ★

MENTAL FITNESS STARTS WITH YOU. EVERY SESSION COUNTS.
GET STARTED IN 3 SIMPLE STEPS

1. JOIN THE CHALLENGE

Complete the sign-up form to join and be entered into the contest.

2. GET HEADSPACE

Enroll if you're new. Download the app. Log in.

3. START A SESSION

Just a few minutes a day makes a big impact. Use Headspace between May 18 - June 1 to help your installation win



THE COMPETITION



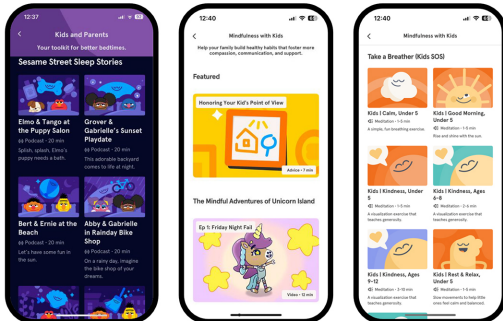
12 INSTALLATIONS ONE TOP PERFORMER



★ Top installation: 3 winners
★ All others: 1 winner each



Support for Kids



Headspace offers tools to help kids and teens build healthy minds and emotional resilience — at home or wherever military life takes them.

For children 12 and under - Mindful moments with Sesame Street, guided meditations, sleep stories, and fun exercises that you can share to help kids build focus, confidence, and emotional resilience

For adolescents 13+ - Support for teens including exercises on stress, self-esteem, and anxiety — plus access to specialized one-on-one mental health coaching with parental consent and visibility.

Because mental wellness matters at every age.



To get started scan the QR code or visit the URL below
work.headspace.com/usnavy/join

To invite loved ones 13+ to your family plan:

- Active Duty Sailors should enroll in the Headspace benefit using the Navy's unique enrollment link by scanning the QR code.
- Download the Headspace App when prompted and login using the account created in step 1.
- Click on the member profile tab in the bottom right corner of the app navigation bar.
- Scroll down and select "Send Invites"
- Input email addresses for invitees and tap "Send Invite".



Support your mind. Strengthen your mission.

Life in the Navy can be tough—taking care of your mental health shouldn't be. With Headspace, you and your loved ones get access to meditation, sleep resources, and mental health coaching. These tools are completely confidential and available at no cost.

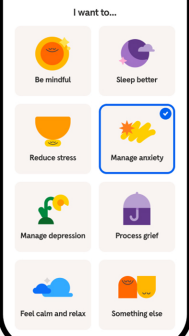
Start small with a quick breathing exercise to feel more focused and ready for the day ahead.



Scan the QR code now to enroll. Once enrolled, you will be prompted to download the Headspace app. Then simply login to start your Headspace journey!

What brings you to Headspace?

This will help us recommend activities for you. Choose all that apply.





SY 26-27 RE-REGISTRATION

Re-Register online @
DoDEA Student Information System- Aspen

Required
Information:

- Updated Orders
- Updated Lease or Housing Letter
- Updated Contact Information & Emergency Contacts
- Physical & Mailing Address Required



Activity / Sport	Open Registration Sign-up Period	Session Dates	Ages	Session Times	Cost
Golf Camp (Level 1 - Beginner)	May 4 - until filled	June 15 - June 18	9 - 15	10 - 11:30 a.m.	\$20
BFA Soccer Camp (Yoko & Ikego)	May 4 - until filled	July 15 - July 19	5 - 8	9 - 11 a.m.	\$60
BFA Soccer Camp (Yoko Only)	May 4 - until filled	June 15 - June 19	9 - 15	1 - 4 p.m.	\$60
Start Smart Camp (Yoko & Ikego)	May 4 - until filled	June 15 - June 18	3 - 5	5 - 6 p.m.	\$20
Golf Camp (Level 2 - Advanced)	May 4 - until filled	June 23 - June 26	9 - 15	10 - 11:30 a.m.	\$20
Start Smart Camp (Yoko & Ikego)	May 4 - until filled	June 23 - June 26	3 - 5	4 - 5 p.m.	\$20
Snag Golf	June 1 - until filled	July 6 - July 10	5 - 8	9 - 10:30 a.m. (Yoko) / 2 - 3:30 p.m. (Ikego)	\$25
Yokosuka Outdoor Camp	June 1 - until filled	July 6 - July 10	13 - 18	9 - 11 a.m.	\$25
Ikego Outdoor Camp	June 1 - until filled	July 6 - July 10	13 - 18	1 - 3 p.m.	\$25
Fitness Camp	June 1 - until filled	July 20 - July 24	9 - 15	9 - 10:30 a.m.	\$20
Global Pipeline Basketball Camp	June 29 - until filled	July 27 - July 31	5 - 8	9 - 11 a.m. (Yoko) / 2 - 4 p.m. (Ikego)	\$60
Global Pipeline Basketball Camp	June 29 - until filled	Aug 3 - Aug 7	9 - 15	9 a.m. - 12 noon	\$60
Cheerleading Camp (Yoko Only)	June 29 - until filled	Aug 3 - Aug 7	10 - 15	9 - 11 a.m.	\$25

Steps to Register for Youth Sports Activities and Programs:

- Complete a Navy Child & Youth Program Registration Packet: www.navyymyokosuka.com
- Complete a PAYS orientation training - Link to PAYS training: <https://www.navy.org/fayonline/>
- Email forms and PAYS Certification to: CFAYOUTHSPORTS@us.navy.mil
- Login information to sign-up for our sports activities will be given through email once forms are reviewed and verified.
- Registration Link: <https://myffr.navy.mil/yokosukacyp.html>

Forms can be picked up and/or dropped off at our Youth Sports Office from 10 a.m. - 5:20 p.m.

For more information call 241-2952 or 046-806-2952

MEMORIAL DAY Events

Officers' Club
May 24 • 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Brunch featuring a variety of summer foods, along with our traditional Sunday brunch items • \$21.95 / person

Club Alliance
Sharky's Killer Wings • May 25
Bone-in Wings (6) \$1 Off
Bone-in Wings (12) \$2 Off
Boneless (1/2 Pound) \$1 Off
Boneless (1 Pound) \$2 Off

Club Takemiya
May 25 • 4 - 9 p.m.
Special Plate: Hot dog, 3-piece chicken strips, coleslaw, one side and standard beverage • \$10 / person

Bowling
Memorial Day Tribute
May 24 • 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
May 25 • 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Two hours of bowling, rental shoes included! (Up to 5 bowlers per lane) • \$25

Questions? Contact the Ikego Elementary registrar at:
Yukiko.abe@dodea.edu

ADULT SPORTS

To register, please email MWR_Yokosuka_Adult_Sports@us.navy.mil
For details, please call Adult Sports office at 046-816-2052.

CAPTAIN'S CUP EVENTS

Players must play for their own command during Captain's Cup events.
Players from other commands must submit a waiver to the Adult Sports office.

- Captain's Cup Pickleball League**
Season • June 9 - August 8 • Fleet Recreation Center
Registration: May 1 - 31
Participants will compete in men's, women's and mixed doubles.
Games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Captain's Cup 4 Person Co-Rec Bowling**
Season • June 10 - August 12 • Yokosuka Bowling Center
Registration: May 4 - June 5
Commands will compete against each other in this 4v4 co-rec bowling league. Games will be played on Wednesdays.

INTRAMURAL TOURNAMENTS

Each team must submit a roster and event waiver to the Adult Sports office prior to the start of the season.
The league is an open-division competition available to individuals over the age of 16 who are attached to CFAY or tenant commands.

- Intramural Summer Softball League**
Season • June 9 - August 15 • Main Softball Field
Registration: May 1 - 31
Games will be played on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Intramural Summer Soccer League**
Season • June 9 - August 15 • Berkeley Field
Registration: May 1 - 31
Games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Intramural Summer Volleyball League**
Season • June 9 - August 15 • Fleet Recreation Center
Registration: May 1 - 31
Games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

BEYOND THE GATE



Zushi Beach Fireworks

May 21 (Thursday)

7:20 to 8:15 p.m. | Zushi Beach (15-minute walk from east exit of JR Zushi Station, JO-06, or south exit of Keikyū Zushi-Hayama Station, KK-53)

This early summer fireworks festival takes place over the ocean adjacent to Zushi Beach. During the 45-minute display, 7,000 fireworks will be dispatched.



Iris Festival

May 23 (Saturday) - June 21 (Sunday)

9 a.m. to 7 p.m. | Yokosuka Shobuen Iris Garden (Direct bus from Keikyū Shioiri Station, KK-60, or #25 bus from JR Yokosuka station, JO-03)

Yokosuka Shobuen is one of Japan's renowned iris gardens. It boasts 140,000 irises of 412 varieties covering approximately 9 acres.



Yokosuka Downtown Summer Kickoff Festival

May 23 (Saturday) - 24 (Sunday)

1 to 4 p.m. | Yokosuka Blue Street (7-minute walk from Yokosuka Main Base)

Yokosuka's seasonal festival, which marks the beginning of summer, will feature a mikoshi and float parade on Sunday. The festival is a joint event between the three shrines around Yokosuka Chuo station. The parade will start from beneath the Y-deck outside Yokosuka-Chuo Station.

Yokosuka Vehicle Festa

May 30 (Saturday) - 31 (Sunday)

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. | Verny Park, JR Yokosuka Station, JMSDF Yokosuka Base, Coaska Bayside Stores

See, ride and experience all kinds of vehicles on display in Yokosuka. There will be a variety of automobiles, construction equipment, police car and motorcycle, fire engine, JR trains, Keikyū bus, JMSDF ship tours, traffic safety events and more! There will also be many booths selling souvenirs and food.

Poppy and Nemophila Festival

Until May 31 (Sunday)

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Kurihama Flower Park (30-minute drive from Yokosuka main base/20-minute walk from JR Kurihama, JO-01 or Keikyū Kurihama Station, KK-67)

This luxurious park utilizes the natural terrain and features seasonal flowers throughout the year. The park also offers playgrounds for children. Poppy and Nemophila Festival is now held until May 31. Free poppy picking will be held on May 30 and 31.

NEWS AND NOTICES

CFAY PROACTIVELY MODERNIZING WATER SYSTEM

Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka (CFAY) has issued notices regarding the ongoing modernization of the drinking water infrastructure. While the tap water on base remains safe to drink and continues to meet all U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) standards, some older water service lines have been identified for replacement.

Two types of service lines are being addressed:

- Confirmed galvanized lines: These are made of galvanized material that may have absorbed lead over time.
- Unknown material lines: The material of these lines is unconfirmed but may potentially be lead or galvanized pipe. Notices have been sent to specific buildings where these lines are located. Although there is no evidence of lead service lines or lead levels exceeding the action level in the drinking water, these replacements are a proactive measure to ensure continued safety and compliance. For more information, including the specific list of affected buildings, please refer to the official notices at: cnrj.cnmc.navy.mil.

VRO ROAD TAX EXTENDED HOURS SUPPORT

Vehicle Registration Office (VRO) is offering extended hours on May 23 and 30 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. to process the remaining personnel requiring road tax decals.

- Extended hours for decal issuance only.
- If necessary, line cut off time is 11:30 a.m.
- Personnel must pay road tax at Yokosuka City Hall and bring all

required documents to VRO.

- Personnel owning multiple vehicles must satisfy requirements for all vehicles prior to receiving decals.
- Vehicle entry denials (turnarounds) will commence promptly on June 1. For more information call VRO at 243-5011/9143.

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 USNH Yokosuka. Engage directly with hospital leadership in matters that concern the health and welfare of CFAY. Join us at the upcoming meetings.

- June 2 from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Community Resource Center, 1st floor, Library
- July 7 from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Naval Hospital's Command Auditorium, 3rd floor.

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

OFF BASE TRAFFIC CONTROL

- Due to the Zushi Kaigan Fireworks Festival, through traffic from the Nagisa Bridge intersection toward Zushi-Hayama Station will not be permitted from 6 to 10 p.m. on May 21.
- Due to the Yokosuka Downtown Summer Kickoff Festival, traffic restrictions including road closures will be in effect around Yokosuka-Chuo Station and the main street

(Blue Street) area from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION AND CLOSURES

Yokosuka: Vehicle gate traffic modification.

- Carney Gate (Reduced 1 inbound/2 outbound lanes). Friday, May 22 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Saturday, May 23 8 a.m. through Sunday, May 24 5 p.m.
- Womble Gate (Extended hours) Saturday, May 23 5 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Howard Street partial road closure from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the following days. May 23 - 29 and June 5 - 30.
- Clement Street partial road closure from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m., June 1 to July 3.
- High traffic lane modification from 5 to 8:30 a.m. Outbound traffic merges into one lane in front of the CPO Club. Inbound traffic will shift to the two middle lanes creating a two lane inbound pattern in front of Bldg. 1997.
- Duncan Street partial road closure until May 29.
- Partial road closure on Howard Street until May 31 on weekends.
- Partial Road Closures are required for cleaning of CHT lines at various locations on base. Two-Way Traffic will be maintained through flagmen. Partial closures will occur in one area at a time.
- Turner Street: Until May 20.
- Sampson Avenue: Until May 29.
- San Diego Street: Until June 19.
- Base taxi parking area near King Street: Until June 1.
- Perry Avenue and Macdonough Avenue: Until June 10.
- The parking lot in front of ATG is secured through 2027 in support of the NSST Shiphandling Trainer construction.
- Ikego:** Imattumi Road partial closure for general excavation work until Dec. 30.

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