



Understanding David Grant USAF Medical Center's various **CAPABILITIES**

PAGES 10-11



TAILWIND

Pentagon 'safe, secure' following attack

JIM GARAMONE
DOD NEWS

The Pentagon is “safe and secure” after an incident this week that caused several casualties, said Woodrow Kusse, the chief of the Pentagon Police Division.

Kusse spoke at the Pentagon Briefing Room on Tuesday.

“Tuesday morning at about 10:37 a.m., a Pentagon police officer was attacked on the Metro bus platform,” the chief said. “Gunfire was exchanged, and there were several casualties. The incident is over and the scene is secure. And most importantly, there’s no continuing threat to our community.”

The FBI is leading the investigation into the incident, the chief said, supported by many different jurisdictions.

The Pentagon Metro station and the bus terminal on the south side of the building was closed. It is an active investigation and Chief Husse did not want to do anything to jeopardize the integrity of the process. “The information that I have is preliminary, so it continues to evolve,” he told reporters. “ I will be providing those details at the earliest opportunity. But right now, it’s just premature, that the situation has been resolved but the investigation must continue.”



Pentagon Press Secretary John F. Kirby holds a joint press conference with Pentagon Force Projection Agency police chief Woodrow Kusse, at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., Aug. 3, 2021.

The chief would not address what motivated the attacker, nor categorize the injuries the casualties received.

The Pentagon Metro station had been the site of incidents before, most recently in 2010. The chief said the Pentagon Force Protection Force will examine the incident once the investigation is concluded and look for ways to do their jobs better.

“The Pentagon Metro station is probably one of the busiest in the (Washington) transportation system,” he said. “It is a hub for commuters as well as building occupants.”

It is too early to draw conclusions from the attack, he said. “It’s still pending, we will certainly, as this investigation concludes, take another look at any measures,” the chief said. “Our mission is to protect not just the building, but the community that we serve.”

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III was at the White House for meetings with President Joe Biden when word of the attack reached him. Upon returning to the building he stopped at the PFFPA Operations Center to check on the situation, Pentagon Press Secretary John F. Kirby said.

Military Star card boosts first-day discount online, at Exchange, commissary

Defense Commissary Agency

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE — Travis Air Force Base Airmen and military shoppers looking to save at military exchanges and commissaries can receive an additional 15% savings when they open and use a new Military Star account.

The discount applies to all purchases made the first day between Aug. 20 and Sept. 2 and is in place of the regular 10% discount for new cardholders. The savings will appear as a credit on the first monthly billing statement.

New accountholders will receive the 15% discount on all first-day purchases at military exchanges and commissaries, as well as online at ShopMyExchange.com, my NavyExchange.com and ShopCGX.com.

All honorably discharged veterans who have confirmed their eligibility to shop at ShopMyExchange.com can use their Military Star card shopping the Exchange online. Veterans with a service-connected disability are eligible to shop in stores. For more information, veterans can visit

See DISCOUNT Page 16

18th Air Force command chief visits Travis

Staff Sgt. Christian Conrad
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE — In a visit spanning over a half dozen agencies, Chief Master Sgt. Chad Bickley, 18th Air Force command chief, attempted to run the gamut of capabilities possessed by Travis Air Force Base, California, July 30, 2021.

Bickley, whose sat in the 18th AF command chief seat since November 2020, was eager to take a deep dive into the Travis AFB culture in respect to both its mission and people.

“Travis will always have a special place in my heart,” said Bickley. “My family and I loved our time here. I love the mission, the culture, the people and local community. Travis has and will always be pivotal to the security of this great nation.”

With stops ranging from the base’s Monarch Dining Facility to its Phoenix Spark innovation lab to its aircraft, Bickley was able to see the many facets of Travis AFB, dropping the ever-reliable nugget of wisdom and also his own hopes for the Air Force.

Suicide prevention and the importance of diversity within the Air Force were among the topics touched on by Bickley.

“If I get injured down-range by an attack, am I concerned about the race, gender or marital preference of my first responder?” Bickley asked a group of Airmen during his



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Chad Bickley, 18th Air Force command chief, right, greets Master Sgt. Joshua Wells, Airmen Leadership School commandant, during a tour of Travis Air Force Base, California, July 30, 2021. In addition to the base tour, Bickley’s visit included conversations with Airmen about suicide prevention and diversity and inclusion.

visits. “Of course not! My only concern is can they perform the mission we’ve assigned them to do to standard. If we have a small pocket of Airmen in our formations that have concerns about race, gender and marital preferences, they need to get over it. We’re going to treat everyone with dignity and respect.”

With the suicide rate among active duty service members on the rise, Bickley also reiterated the importance

of taking a break—something he views as vital to keeping the Air Force the world’s finest.

“There is a worldwide shortage of mental health providers,” Bickley said. “For now, we’ll continue to pursue more resources, but this is the hand we’ve been dealt and we need to lead through it. Additionally, we need to continue emphasizing to our Airmen it’s okay to take a knee and ask for help.”

Bickley also stopped by

Military Star card saves Exchange \$200,000-plus at Travis, \$30M worldwide in 2020

Defense Commissary Agency

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE — Reaching for the Military Star card at a military exchange store or commissary is strengthening benefits for all who serve and have served.

Authorized exchange and commissary shoppers who used the Military Star card – available exclusively to military members, retirees, veterans and military dependents – saved the military community \$28.7 million in banking transaction fees in 2020, according to a press release from the Defense Commissary Agency.

Travis Air Force Base shoppers who used their Military Star cards saved the Exchange \$215,500, according to a press release from the Travis Exchange.

“Since 100% percent of Exchange’s earnings are reinvested in the military community, avoiding transaction fees means more money going to our heroes and their families,” Travis Exchange General Manager Phonda Bishop said in the press release. “That’s why using Military Star benefits not just the cardholders, but the entire Travis Air Force

See EXCHANGE Page 20

Tailwind

Travis AFB, Calif. | 60th Air Mobility Wing

Air Force

Col. Corey A. Simmons
60th Air Mobility Wing commander

1st Lt. Jasmine Jacobs
Chief of command information

Senior Airman Cameron Otte
Tailwind staff

Daily Republic

Glen Faison
Tailwind editor

Todd R. Hansen
Copy editor

The Tailwind is published by the Daily Republic, Fairfield, California, a private firm in no way connected with the U.S. Air Force.

While most of the editorial content of the Tailwind is prepared by the 60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs office for its Web-based product, the content for the Tailwind is edited and prepared for print by the Daily Republic staff.

Content of the Tailwind is not necessarily the official view of, nor is it endorsed by the U.S. Government, the Department of Defense or the Department of the Air Force.

The appearance of advertising in the publication, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement by the Department of Defense, the Department of the Air Force or the Daily Republic, of the products or services advertised.

Everything advertised in the publication shall be made available for purchase, use or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation or any other nonmerit factor of the purchaser, user or patron.

Correspondence can be sent to the 60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs staff, Tailwind, 400 Brennan Circle, Bldg. 51, Travis AFB, CA 94535-2150 or emailed to 60amwpa@us.af.mil.

Deadline for copy is 4:30 p.m. Friday for the following Friday’s issue. Swap ads must be brought to Bldg. 51 by noon Monday for possible print in that Friday’s issue. Emailed or faxed Swap Ads are not accepted.

Those on base wishing to receive home delivery of the Tailwind can call 427-6975 today.

For information on paid advertising and on base circulation, call 425-4646. Correspondence can be sent to: Daily Republic, 1250 Texas St., Fairfield, CA 94533 or faxed to 425-5924.

Visit the Travis public web site at <http://www.travis.af.mil>. Read the Tailwind online at <http://tailwind.dailyrepublic.net> or by accessing the Travis SharePoint.

Table of contents

Cover story

10-11

Worship services

13-14

Puzzle

15

Classifieds

17

Parting Shots

19

On the cover

Senior Airman Caleb Harlon, 60th Operational Medical Readiness Squadron licensed vocational nurse technician, briefs U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General.

U.S. Air Force photo/Lan Kim

WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

Name:

SrA Savannah G. Austin

Unit:

60 HCOS, Emergency Services Dept.

Duty title:

4A, Emergency Services Admin

Hometown:

Andover, Kansas

Time in service:

Almost 5 years

Family:

None

What are your goals?

Become a tattoo artist

What are your hobbies?

Tattooing, digital art, taking care of her cats

What is your greatest achievement?

Improving her art skills in which she was able to make an art portfolio.

U.S. Air Force photo



Photo by: Army Maj. Robert Fellingham, 12th Combat Aviation Brigade

Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 214th Aviation Regiment, were vaccinated while in Bulgaria during exercise Swift Response, May 7, 2021.

COVID vaccines: benefits still outweigh risks

Janet A. Aker

MHS COMMUNICATIONS

Only a small fraction of people in the military community have experienced breakthrough infections after receiving a COVID-19 vaccination - and none of them have died, according to Defense Health Agency Director Army Lt. Gen. (Dr.) Ronald Place.

Place revealed new data about breakthrough infections among people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 at a July 20 virtual town hall for DHA employees.

Place explained that the evidence shows how effective the vaccine has been and he encouraged all service members and others to get fully vaccinated.

More than 2 million people in the Military Health System have received full COVID-19 vaccinations, Place said. Of that number, about 1,600 people have been infected with the novel coronavirus.

“How many of those have had to be hospitalized? Less than 50,” he told nearly 2,000 employee town hall participants. “There have been no deaths among that hospitalized group.”

Yet despite strong evidence of the vaccine’s safety and efficacy, significant portions of the military and civilian populations remain hesitant to get the shot.

For those who remain skeptical, Place encouraged them to: “Have a true, meaningful conversation with somebody you trust or some buddies that you trust.”

He suggested also talking to “your health care team, those family members that you trust and other members of the DHA that you may trust.”

Place also shared his thoughts on the potential impact the unvaccinated population can have on their broader community.

Military personnel during a town hall meeting

“I’m just concerned that there are a number of us who, for whatever reason, believe the best course of action is to not be vaccinated.”

“I get it for the 19 year olds or the 16 year olds, the 24 year olds - ‘I’m Superman. No bugs are going to beat me,’” he said.

“The answer to me then is the butterfly effect. How can we break that cycle” where-by an unvaccinated military service member may be asymptomatic, or minimally symptomatic, but spreads COVID-19 to family members and barracks mates, who then may spread the virus to others, sometimes with deadly consequences.

Echoing the motto of the San Antonio Market, Place said “it’s not too late

to vaccinate,” because the pandemic is still with us.

He noted the uptick in COVID-19 cases across the country in recent weeks, largely driven by the Delta variant that spreads more easily than the variants which spread last year.

“No matter what metric you look at, it’s worse. We thought we were in a good place based on [vaccination rates against] the variants that were in society at the time.”

However, “this [Delta] variant is different. That means the vaccination level needs to go up,” he said.

Discussing herd immunity, Place said: “It’s not about 70%” of the armed services being [partially] vaccinated. He indicated that with our still somewhat limited understanding of this coronavirus, “to me the only number I can really be comfortable with is 100% [fully vaccinated].”

As of July 16, the Pentagon

Masks are back for DoD employees

C. Todd Lopez

DOD NEWS

Following guidance issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Defense Department has directed employees working in areas at high risk for transmission to begin using face masks again as a measure to prevent the continued spread of the COVID-19 virus, especially the fast-moving, highly-transmittable Delta variant.

The new guidance for the department came in a memorandum signed by Deputy Defense Secretary Kathleen H. Hicks.

“In areas of substantial or high community transmission, DOD requires all service members, federal employees, onsite contractor employees and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, to wear a mask in an indoor setting in installations and other facilities owned, leased or otherwise controlled by DOD,” the memorandum read.

The memo also says that

See MASKS Page 18



U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Anthony Nelson Jr.

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Colton Webber, 735th Air Mobility Squadron passenger terminal shift supervisor, decontaminates a bus after transporting passengers to and from the aircraft at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, March 25, 2020.

U.S., Vietnam discuss COVID-19 aid, new program to find war dead

Jim Garamone

DOD NEWS

Two important partnership initiatives between the United States and Vietnam will continue as both countries look for ways to help Vietnam combat COVID-19 and as both countries step up the Vietnam War-era personnel accounting program, said Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III during meetings with Vietnamese officials today.

Austin was making the first trip to Southeast Asia by a senior Biden administration official. He met with newly elected Vietnamese President Nguyen Xuan Phuc, Prime Minister Pham Minh Chinh and National Defense Minister Phan Van Giang.

At the meetings, the secretary spoke of the challenging times COVID-19 has created. The U.S. has reached out to the nations of Southeast Asia to help them in their fight against the disease. Austin noted that the U.S. has provided vaccines, laboratory and testing equipment and cold storage freezers.

“We are also proud to have donated 5 million doses of Moderna vaccines to Vietnam,” he said during his talks at the prime minister’s office. “I look forward to discussing additional ways that

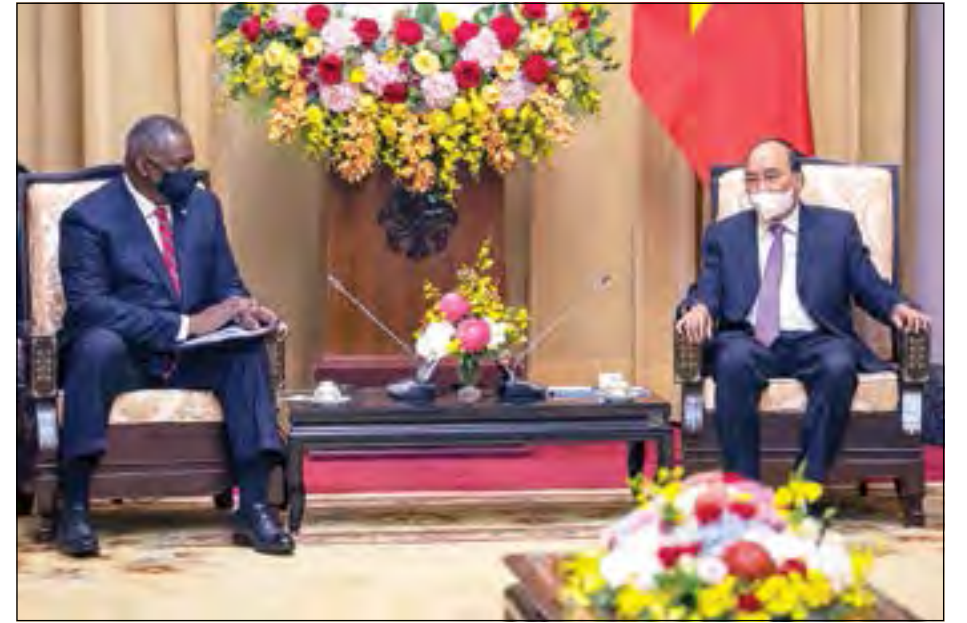
the United States can support Vietnam’s response.”

Turning to the Vietnam War-era personnel accounting program, a portion of the meeting at the Ministry of National Defense concerned the Vietnam War-time Accounting Initiative Memorandum of Understanding between the two countries. It enables the Vietnamese people to search millions of records, “to help search for their own missing, and to recover war dead,” a senior Defense official said. At the heart of that memo is the collaboration with Harvard and Texas Tech creating a searchable database containing millions of records.

The importance of this project was clearly evident in the fact that progress was only slowed, not stopped, by the pandemic. U.S. and Vietnamese teams continued to search for those missing even as COVID-19 caused shutdowns.

“The United States and Vietnam have such a complex shared history of sacrifice,” Austin said at the National Defense Ministry. “When our two countries resumed normalization, the United States committed itself to respecting Vietnam’s political system and your independent and balanced foreign policy.”

The United States has a productive and warm relationship with Vietnam, but the U.S. “does not ask Vietnam to



DoD photo by Chad J. McNeeley

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III meets with President Nguyen Xuan Phuc of Vietnam in Hanoi, July 29, 2021.

choose between partners,” Austin said. “In fact, one of our central goals is ensuring that our allies and partners have the freedom and space to chart their own futures.”

Normalization of relations between the two nations occurred in 1995. Austin

said the growth in cooperation since then “has been striking and inspiring. We have built a foundation of trust and understanding tied to our decades-long cooperation on war legacy issues.”

The U.S. will continue its dioxin

See VIETNAM Page 16

Star Tech European

HONEST, ETHICAL & PERSONAL

AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE & REPAIR SPECIALISTS

Specializing in:

Mercedes-Benz, BMW, Porsche, Jaguar, Audi, Volkswagen, Volvo & more.

Family owned and operated.
Owner...Don Westhaver,
Over 45 Years Experience
Proud Military Parents

We offer dealer quality service without the hassle or the price.
Factory trained, we use OEM parts.

First Time Customers:
Bring ad in for visual 26 pt inspection

23 Union Way • Vacaville, CA • 707-455-8870 • star-tech-european.com

Solano County's Largest Full Service Truck Shop

NBTC
North Bay Truck Center

We service all makes and models of RV motorhome, 5th Wheel and Trailer Chasots, brakes, lights, engine, HVAC, transmission, steering, axles, bearings, suspension, tires etc. We also repair and service all trucks from a pick up truck to a Class 8 Big Rig.

Our team of Technician's have over 150 years combined repair and diagnostic experience. We treat your vehicle like it is ours. There is no job too big or small, we invite them all.

Give us a call to schedule an appointment or just stop by we always have coffee brewed and pepcom popped. We look forward to meeting you and providing you with excellent customer service.

(707) 427-1386

Mon.-Fri., 7:30AM-5:30PM
Sat., 7:30AM-4:00PM
1245 Illinois St., Fairfield, CA

Present This Ad for **10% Discount** off any Repair or Service!



U.S. Air Force graphic

Master Sgt. Justin Bauer from the 355th Fighter Wing at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz., was awarded the Spark Tank 2021 trophy for his idea, "Innovative Approach to C-130 Wheel Repair."

Wanted: Innovative ideas for Spark Tank 2022

Secretary of the
Air Force Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio (AFNS) — Spark Tank 2022, a Department of the Air Force annual competition in which Airmen and Guardians pitch innovative solutions to

operational problems, will accept submissions in early August 2021.

Spark Tank is co-sponsored by the Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for Management (SAF/MG) and AF-WERX. "Spark Tank is a crucial part of the Air Force's

See SPARK Page 8

CELEBRATING 48 YEARS
EST. 1973
FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED

AVERY GREENE
Honda

SUMMER SAVINGS ON ALL VEHICLES
MILITARY DISCOUNTS
GRATEFULLY GIVEN

Honda Certified Used Cars

2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,367	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,384	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,241	2018 HONDA CLARITY PLUG-IN HYBRID STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,306	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN EX-T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,669	2017 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$23,126
2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$24,077	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$24,255	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN SPORT 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,153	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,564	2018 HONDA CIVIC HYBRID SEDAN SPORT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,877	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN SPORT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,911
2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,629	2018 HONDA CR-V EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$27,797	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN SPORT 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$28,197	2018 HONDA ACCORD HYBRID EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$28,985	2018 HONDA ODYSSEY EX-L STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$35,647	2018 HONDA PILOT EX-L STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$38,227

Used Car Sales Event!

2008 SCION XB STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$8,577	2013 HONDA CIVIC HYBRID STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$8,788	2014 HONDA PILOT LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$10,994	2014 JEEP CHRYSLER SPIRIT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$13,538	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN EX-L STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$14,886	2018 HONDA PILOT LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$18,829
2018 HONDA CR-V EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$16,988	2018 HONDA CR-V EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$18,467	2017 HONDA CIVIC HYBRID SEDAN SPORT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,388	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN SPORT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,467	2018 TOYOTA CARRIY LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,897	2017 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN SPORT STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,899
2018 HONDA CR-V EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$21,996	2018 FORD ESCAPE SE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,326	2018 HONDA CIVIC SEDAN TOURING STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,445	2018 CHEVROLET TRAILER STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$22,688	2017 INFINITI QX50 3.0T PURE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$24,325	2014 RAM 1500 TRADESMAN STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$24,499
2014 ACURA MDX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$24,949	2018 HONDA CR-V LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,408	2018 TOYOTA CARRIY SE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,697	2017 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN SPORT SE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,776	2018 TOYOTA CARRIY SE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,889	2018 ACURA ILX SPECIAL EDITION STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,489
2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN SPORT 1.8T STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,896	2018 SUBARU FORESTER PREMIUM STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$25,997	2018 HONDA CIVIC COUPE EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,261	2014 MAZDA MAZDA3 S40 STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,477	2018 HONDA ACCORD SEDAN LX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,855	2017 HONDA CR-V EX-L STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$26,889
2018 JEEP WRANGLER WILLYS WHEELER STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$28,999	2018 SUBARU WRX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$29,285	2018 ACURA RDX AWD TECHPAC STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$29,715	2018 HONDA ACCORD HYBRID EX STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$29,885	2018 TOYOTA TACOMA SE STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$29,919	2018 FORD MUSTANG ECOBOOST STANDARD, VIN: 1HGBH4EJ5JA000000 \$29,999

800 ADMIRAL
CALLAGHAN LANE
VALLEJO CA 94591
888-619-0063

800 ADMIRAL
CALLAGHAN LANE
VALLEJO CA 94591

888-619-0063



Photo By: Chad McNeely, DOD

Service members competing in the 2021 Tokyo Olympics talk virtually with Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III during his trip to the Indo-Pacific region, July 28, 2021. Austin took the opportunity to acknowledge, congratulate and thank the service members competing in the games via video conference.



Photo By: Chad McNeely, DOD

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III talks with service members competing in the 2021 Tokyo Olympics during his trip to the Indo-Pacific region, July 28, 2021. Austin was on a weeklong trip to reaffirm defense relationships and conduct bilateral meetings with senior officials in Singapore, Vietnam and the Philippines.

Austin reaches out to service members on Olympics, Paralympics teams

JIM GARAMONE

DOD NEWS

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III took a break from security discussions in Singapore to congratulate U.S. service members competing in the Olympics and Paralympics.

Austin spoke via Zoom to 15 service members on the teams. Some were in Tokyo, others in the United States.

"I wanted to just reach out to you and congratulate all of you for the tremendous work that you've done to get to where you are," Austin said. "It is truly remarkable, it is truly a big deal, and I wanted you to know that we're enormously proud of each and every one of you."

Austin told the team members that he appreciated the hard work they put in to not only be outstanding service members, but elite athletes representing the United States on the world stage.

He spoke with Army 1st Lt. Amber English who received the Gold Medal in Women's Skeet competition. She set the Olympic record with her performance.

Austin asked her if she knew she would do so well. "I knew when I got here that if I ... just allowed myself to do what I know how to do, and stay as calm as possible and focus, that it would be a successful outcome," she said.

He asked if she had any

advice for her fellow service members at the games. "I would just say to enjoy the ride," the young lieutenant said.

Austin also spoke with Army Sgt. 1st Class Elizabeth "Ellie" Marks, a Paralympian swimmer. Marks has competed in a number of competitions including the Invictus Games, where she met Britain's Prince Harry. "I had no idea who he was," she told the secretary. "I just thought he

was a spectator of the sport. But he has become a champion."

Marks will begin competition soon and is watching the Olympics with interest. "I feel incredibly inspired by the performance of my teammates, and they are doing

wonderful things with the Olympics," she said. "I hope that I can do them proud at the Paralympics."

Austin told Marks that she is already making Americans proud. "All of you are making us proud," he told the service members.

Given the opportunity to serve you will be a *win Winn* situation!

The Keys to your Dream Home are within reach.

The market is HOT!
To get moving, call me
Monica Winn
REALTOR® DRE# 1971960
(707) 344-4237
CENTURY 21
MM

3
Food, beer, wine.

Three Restaurant

**721 Texas Street
Fairfield
707.673.4129**

Live Jazz Music
Fridays 5pm to 8pm
Sundays 4pm to 7pm

**Hours: Tues.-Thurs., 11am-8pm
Fri., 11am-8:30 pm • Sat., 3pm-8:30pm
Sun., 11am-8pm • Closed Mon.**

ThreeFoodBeerWine.com

PAZDEL CHIROPRACTIC, INC.

Shoulder Pain?

258 Sunset Ave., Ste. I, Suisun City • 429-4861
www.PazdelChiropractic.com Se Habla Español

Spark
From Page 6

relentless search for innovative technology,” said Col. Nathan Diller, AFWERX director. “The operational skills and knowledge our Airmen and Guardians possess give them the expertise not only to identify problems unique to their jobs, but also solutions.”

This is the fifth year of the Spark Tank competition. Spark Tank 2021 drew more than 300 submissions with five finalists. Master Sgt. Justin Bauer from the 355th Fighter Wing at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona, was awarded the Spark Tank trophy for his idea, “Innovative Approach to C-130 Wheel Repair.” Previous winners and finalists have offered improvements from smart weapons loading checklists to robotic process automation for personnel records and everything in-between.

As a bonus, SAF/MG and AFWERX are introducing Spark Tank innovation awards to recognize innovative solutions proposed and developed by Airmen and Guardians across the enterprise. The awards are designed to encourage innovation development, talent retention, and speed up adopting emerging, game-changing technologies that impact the Air and Space Force.

“Spark Tank offers a great opportunity to highlight the innovative spirit of our Airmen and Guardians,” said William Gautier, Spark Tank director. “These risk-takers, idea makers, and entrepreneurs reject the status quo, instead they seek inventive answers that improve how our jobs are done.”

To enable participation, interested members will submit ideas through the recently launched Guardian and Airmen Innovation Network portal. GAIN allows personnel to share ideas, critique submissions, and vote on the most promising solutions.

Innovation submissions are due via GAIN no later than close of business, Oct. 1, 2021. Finalists will be announced in January 2022. The pitch-finals competition will take place on March 4, 2022, at the Air Force Association’s Aerospace Warfare Symposium in Orlando, Florida.

More information will be forthcoming at <https://www.afwerx.af.mil/spark-tank.html>.

Ideas can be submitted to the Spark Tank competition at [afwerx.af.mil](https://www.afwerx.af.mil).

About AFWERX

AFWERX, a Technical Directorate of the Air Force Research Laboratory and the innovation arm of the Department Air Force, connects innovators across government, industry and academia. Through innovation and collaboration with our nation’s top subject-matter experts and harnessing the power of ingenuity of internal talent by expanding technology, talent, and transition partnerships for rapid and affordable commercial and military capability. In 2020, Fast Company ranked AFWERX #16 of Best Workplaces for Innovators, alongside brands such as Microsoft, Google and Amazon. Additional information is available at <https://www.afwerx.af.mil/>.

About SAF/MG

SAF/MG is responsible for the overall supervision of matters pertaining to Air Force and Space Force management of business operations. This oversight includes management and advocacy of programs designed to improve management and execution processes across the enterprise. SAF/MG carries out enterprise-wide transformation initiatives and associated activities, and oversees implementation of Continuous Improvement/Lean Six Sigma programs, directs technical oversight of the GAIN program and collaborates with the Air Force Program Executive Officer for Services and other Air Force, Space Force, Department of Defense, and federal sector organizations to eliminate contract redundancies, leverage efficiencies, lessons learned, and best practices for strategic sourcing. SAF/MG drives efficiency through effective transformation to enable more capable and lethal Air and Space Forces and is the DAF’s champion for innovation, efficiency, and reform in DAF operations to enable readiness and lethality.

<https://usaf.dps.mil/teams/10100/dcmohome/Pages/DCMO-About.aspx>

You Served. You Save.

CAL ROOFING SYSTEMS



Vacaville, CA 95688
(707) 447-3132
Lic. #560708
www.calroofingsystems.com

DIXON LANDSCAPE MATERIALS



150 E. H St.
Dixon, CA 95620
(707) 678-8200
www.dixonlandscapematerials.com

NORTH BAY TRUCK CENTER



1245 Illinois St
Fairfield, Ca 94533
(707) 427-1386
www.northbaytruckcenter.com

MITCHELL’S

HAULING, CLEANING, ORGANIZING, PACKING, & HOUSE CLEANING



Suisun City, CA 94585
(707) 386-1312
Lic. #22444
Insured

DO YOU OFFER A MILITARY DISCOUNT?

PLACE YOUR AD HERE.
\$40/MONTH
CALL 707-425-4646

We Haul It All

Veteran Owned and Operated



Junk Removal
Trailer Rentals

No job too big or small

Ruben
(707) 718-3317

Save with Military Discounts from these fine businesses!

AUGUST 6, 2021

AIR FORCE

TAILWIND 9

Air Force Materiel Command takes on role as servicing major command for Space Force

AFMC Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — Air Force Materiel Command is adding on a new role as the designated Servicing Major Command for the U.S. Space Force.

Recently the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Space Force took steps to define AFMC’s role as the designated Servicing MAJCOM for the U.S. Space Force. These actions included a memorandum of understanding providing a strategic overview of support provided to the USSF by the USAF. And a programming plan outlining the functional support AFMC will provide to Airmen assigned to USSF who are supporting USSF installations and missions.

This unique and first-time Servicing MAJCOM structure was created to ensure Airmen assigned to the USSF receive the same force development opportunities, functional and administrative support as those at USAF Installations.

The USSF derives almost all its support from the USAF and its Airmen, including infrastructure, logistics, security, medical services, and a host of other common capabilities to support the mission.

AFMC, as the Servicing MAJCOM, will accomplish the roles and responsibilities traditionally performed by a MAJCOM for the Airmen providing base operating support for USSF installations. These MAJCOM functions typically include, but are not limited to, providing policy guidance, interpretation and, where applicable, waiver authority; professional development opportunities and guidance; developmental team representation; and functional-specific roles. Approximately 8,000 USAF Airmen assigned to USSF installations and units will be serviced by AFMC.

Airmen at USSF installations will continue to be serviced by their local Military Personnel Flight and Civilian Personnel Office; and the Air Force Personnel Center will continue to provide service to all Airmen at USSF installations. The primary difference will be when most Airmen at USSF installations need MAJCOM interaction, Headquarters AFMC 2-letter staff will assist them. Their MAJCOM Functional Manager will be at HQ AFMC.

USSF Guardians are not affected. Professional development and functional-specific support for USSF Guardians will be provided through the USSF Field Commands.

The Department of the Air Force is working toward a criteria-based initial operational capability in Fall 2021, working toward full operational capability in Fall 2022.

“We’re honored to be able to provide support to the outstanding Airmen who are helping advance the U.S. Space Force mission,” said AFMC Commander Gen. Arnold W. Bunch, Jr. “We’re all in to ensure the success of the space mission and the Airmen assigned to the U.S. Space Force.”

The USSF mission is to organize, train, and equip space forces in order to protect U.S. and allied interests in space and to provide space capabilities to the joint force. USSF responsibilities include developing Guardians, acquiring military space systems, maturing the military doctrine for space power, and organizing space forces to present to U.S. Combatant Commands.

Ramon Santos

NMLS 237037 | #3094
Branch Manager | Sr. Mfg. Advisor
FHA • VA • Conventional

Apply now @ www.primeres.com/rsantos

Click Approvals
Primeres Residential
Primeres Commercial

Buying or Refinancing - Call Me
Together, possibilities are endless!
707.427.1400



Ron DuPratt USED CARS in Vacaville

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER SALE

MENTION THIS AD AND RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL \$100 OFF!

Only minutes to Vacaville for Fantastic Summer Savings!

2012 CHEVROLET IMPALA LT  STK# 24311 VIN# 1G1ZD5E432F000000 \$13,995	2014 JEEP CHEROKEE LIMITED  STK# 24437 VIN# 201743 \$15,995
2016 ACURA TLX 2.4L  STK# 24380 VIN# 000400 \$20,995	2018 VOLKSWAGEN ATLAS 3.6L V6 SE  STK# 24127 VIN# 520004 \$25,999
2017 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER XLE  STK# 24150 VIN# 203295 \$28,828	2019 TOYOTA TACOMA SR5  STK# 24004 VIN# 019008 \$35,695
2017 FORD EXPLORER SPORT  STK# 24354 VIN# B92192 \$36,708	2017 FORD F-150 XL  STK# 24005 VIN# 091942 \$36,774

OVER 100 CARS TO CHOOSE FROM!
Financing You the Right Car at the Right Price!

Ron DuPratt USED CARS in Vacaville

1385 E. Monte Vista Avenue • Vacaville, CA
877.756.6441 • www.ronduprattusedcars.com

All prices plus government fees and taxes, any finance charges, any dealer government fees and taxes, any finance charges, any dealer document processing charge, any electronic filing charge, and any emission testing charge. All prices good through close of business on 8/9/21.

Air Force Surgeon General takes current pulse of Travis

Lan Kim
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, and Chief Master Sgt. Dawn Kolczynski, medical enlisted force and enlisted corps chief, visited Travis Air Force Base, California, July 28, 2021, to better understand David Grant USAF Medical Center's various medical capabilities. The tour allowed Miller and

Kolczynski to witness first-hand what Travis' medics are doing to maintain readiness in education and training, aerospace flight staging and medical readiness, hyperbaric medicine and chronic wound care, disaster and emergency medical operations support, intensive care unit operations, joint Veteran's Affair medical care, aeromedical evacuation. "It is truly impressive what you all are doing," Miller said during an all-call speaking

directly to DGMC Airmen. "We're here because Chief and I want to understand your challenges, understand the good things you're doing." Miller and Kolczynski also wanted to communicate their concerns directly to Travis' medics, given the gravity of a resurgence from COVID-19 and the delta variant. "We need your help," Kolczynski said. They urged them to engage with friends and family who've

not received a COVID-19 vaccine by having conversations about the importance of herd immunity if vaccine hesitancy exists within their inner circles. It was not lost on Miller's mind that in an unprecedented year affected by COVID-19, the Airmen providing medical care at DGMC were at the forefront of the pandemic response. "I am proud of everything our medics have accomplished, but our work is not done, and challenges still continue," Miller

said. "My commitment is to our Airmen, and I want them to know that their leadership truly cares about them. Our strategies may evolve as the needs change, but at the center of it is our people. They are our most valuable asset, and they are what makes us a premier military medical force." "We can't lose sight that it's Airmen at the center of that," Kolczynski said.



U.S. Air Force photo by Lan Kim



U.S. Air Force photo by Lan Kim



U.S. Air Force photo by Lan Kim



U.S. Air Force photo by Lan Kim

U.S. Air Force maj. Michael Broome, 775th Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Flight infectious disease nurse, right, briefs Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, left, and Chief Master Sgt. Dawn Kolczynski, medical enlisted force and enlisted corps chief, center, inside a Negatively Pressurized Connex at Travis Air Force Base, California, July 27, 2021. The NPC is an isolated containment chamber designed to safely transport up to 30 passengers, 24 walking patients, or eight patients on a stretcher affected by infectious diseases such as the novel coronavirus.

Right: U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, left, along with his executive assistant, Maj. Richard Smith, center, and Chief Master Sgt. Dawn Kolczynski, medical enlisted force and enlisted corps chief, walk outside of base lodging at Travis Air Force Base, California, July 27, 2021. Miller visited Travis AFB to gain a better perspective of David Grant USAF Medical Center's operational capabilities.

Below: Jennifer Thompson, 60th Inpatient Squadron critical care nurse, right, briefs U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, center, on current operations of the intensive care unit at Travis Air Force Base, California, July 27, 2021. (This photo has been altered for security purposes by blurring out patient names.)

Bottom left: U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Andre Heags, 60th Operations Support Squadron chief controller, tower, right, speaks with Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, center, and Chief Master Sgt. Dawn Kolczynski, medical enlisted force and enlisted corps chief, second from left, about his experience as an air traffic controller at Travis Air Force Base, California, July 27, 2021. Miller visited the air traffic control tower at Travis AFB after his tour at David Grant USAF Medical Center for a tower view of the flight line.

Bottom right: U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Robert Miller, Air Force and Space Force Surgeon General, second from right, meets with Col. Gwendolyn Foster, 60th Medical Group commander, second from left, at Travis Air Force Base, California, July 27, 2021. Miller and his team toured various sections of David Grant USAF Medical Center to gain a better perspective of its operational capabilities.



U.S. Air Force photo by Lan Kim



An aerial view of the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., May 11, 2021.

DOD photo by U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Brittany A. Chase

Website informs civilians of DoD opportunities

BY JIM GARAMONE
DOD NEWS
Say Department of Defense and most Americans automatically envision uniformed soldiers, sailors, Marines, airmen or Space Force guardians. They don't think of the

sinews holding all this together: DOD civilians. "One of the things that I find so fascinating is that the Department of Defense civilian workforce ... is close to 950,000, and still people don't seem to know about it," said

Michelle LoweSolis, the director of Defense Civilian Personnel Advisory Service. "We're really and truly one of the biggest civilian employers in the country." Your average citizen
See OPPORTUNITIES Page 16

Ask About Our MILITARY DISCOUNT

Four Seasons

SELF STORAGE

Located off Hwy 12 @ Walters Road

SIZES TO FIT EVERY NEED!
Household • Commercial • Warehousing • Boat & RV

- New Manager Onsite
- Security Cameras
- Individually Alarmed Units
- Private Gate Codes
- Well Lit Wide Hallways
- Drive-Up Units Available

AUGUST SAVINGS

COUPON

Inside 10x10 Units

50% OFF

First 3 Months

NOT VALID WITH ANY OTHER OFFER. APPLIES TO INSIDE UNITS ONLY. NEW CUSTOMERS ONLY. EXPIRES 8/31/2021

1600 Petersen Road • Suisun
(707) 439-0605
www.4sssonline.com

SCANDINAVIAN DESIGNS

FURNITURE

VISIT OUR VACAVILLE STORE
AND ASK ABOUT OUR

15% MILITARY DISCOUNT*

*APPLIES TO REGULAR PRICED PURCHASE ONLY.
TERMS APPLY. VISIT STORE FOR DETAILS.

STORE HOURS
MONDAY - SATURDAY: 10AM - 6PM
SUNDAY: 11AM - 6PM

www.scandinaviandesigns.com

266-A Bella Vista Road, Vacaville, CA 95687 | 707.447.4449

DIRECTORY OF local worship services

For advertising information about this directory, call Classifieds at 707-427-6973 or email:
lvargas@dailyrepublic.net

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

First Assembly Of God of Fairfield

- Lead Pastor: C. Eric Lura**
- 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
 - 10:30 AM * MORNING WORSHIP
 - KID'z CHURCH Grades K-5th
 - 10:00 AM WEDNESDAY SENIOR PRAYER
 - 7:00 PM WEDNESDAY NIGHT Adult Bible Study
 - Girl's Club
 - Royal Rangers
 - Revolution Youth
 - *Nursery Care Provided

707-425-3612

2207 UNION AVE., FAIRFIELD
www.1agff.org
email: info@1agff.org
Live Stream on:



BAPTIST



**Worship
With Us...
St. Paul
Baptist Church**

1405 Kentucky Street
Fairfield, CA 94533

**Rev. Dr. Terry Long, Pastor
Sunday**

Sunday School: 11:00 a.m.
Morning Worship Service: 12:00 p.m.
Children's Church: 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday

Prayer Meeting: 6:30-7:00 p.m.
Bible Study: 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Web Site: www.stpaulfairfield.org
Email: stpaulbcfairfield@comcast.net
Church Phone: 707-422-2003

BAPTIST



**MOUNT CALVARY
BAPTIST CHURCH**

Dr. Clayton Lea, Jr., Senior Pastor

Fairfield Campus
1735 Enterprise Drive, Bldg. 3
Fairfield, CA 94533

Sunday Worship Services
7:00am & 9:30am.

Bible Study
Tuesdays @ 7:00pm (Youth Sanctuary)

Suisun Campus
601 Whispering Bay Lane,
Suisun City, CA 94585

Sunday Worship Services, 11:00am

Bible Study
Tuesdays @ 12:00noon

707-425-1849
www.mcbcfcs.org for more information

Live Stream on:



BAPTIST



Live stream at:

itsallaboutfamilies.org
301 N. Orchard Ave., Vacaville
707.448.5848

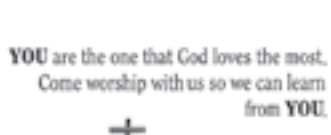
SUNDAY

Classes for all ages..... 10:00 am
Worship..... 11:00 am
CORE Bible Studies 12:30 & 5:00 pm
(2nd & 4th Sunday)

WEDNESDAY

Adult Studies.....2:00 pm
AWANA for Kids.....6:15 pm
Adult & Youth Studies.....6:30 pm

CHURCH OF CHRIST



YOU are the one that God loves the most.
Come worship with us so we can learn
from YOU.



Jesus said, I am the resurrection, and the life he that believeth
in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: John 11:25

Sunday Morning Worship
10AM

CHURCH OF CHRIST - SOLANO
1201 Marshall Road, Vacaville, CA 95687

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

**THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
of LATTER-DAY SAINTS**

Fairfield Stake Center
2700 Camrose Ave.
Sacrament Services Sunday
1000 and 1200

Base Sacrament Services
DGMC Chapel
or North Courtyard
(1st Floor North entrance)
Sunday 1600-1630

Inquires: Call LDS Military
Relations Missionaries
707-535-6979

EPISCOPAL



**Grace Episcopal
Church**

1405 Kentucky Street
Fairfield, CA 94533

**Sunday
10:00 AM
Live Online
on our Facebook Page**

For additional information
www.gracechurchfairfield.org
or contact the office at 425-4481

Welcome home to an Open,
Caring, Christian Community

DIRECTORY OF local worship services

For advertising information about this directory, call Classifieds at
707-427-6973 or email: lvargas@dailyrepublic.net

NAZARENE



9:30 am Sunday
310 Parker Street
Vacaville, CA 95688

Visit sonrise-vv.org for info

CHURCH - NAZARENE

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

**Church
of Christ**

1500 Alamo Drive
Vacaville, CA 95687

**Services Temporarily
Suspended**

Sunday Morning
Bible Classes.....9:30 am
Assembly Worship..... 10:45 am
Evening Assembly Worship . 5:00 pm
Wednesday Evening
Bible Classes..... 7:00 pm
Classes also by appointment
Elders:
Mark McCallister (707) 446-7477
Ed Sanderson Sr. (707) 446-0536

NON-DENOMINATIONAL



**Bible-Based Expository Preaching
Sunday Worship Services
9 AM, 10:30 AM**

Registration required at vacavillefaith.org

Pastor Jon Kile
192 Bella Vista Road, Vacaville
707-451-2026

Sunday school provided during the
second service:
Grades K-2 and 3-5
Registration required.
Grades 6-8 and 9-12
Registration required.

Check our website for information
on other ministries offered at
www.vacavillefaith.org

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

**Vacaville
Church of Christ**

401 Fir St., Vacaville, CA 95688
(707) 448-5085

Minister: Elliott Williams
Sunday Morning Bible Study
9:30 AM

Sunday Morning Worship
10:30 AM

Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 PM

Wed. Evening Bible Study
7:00 PM

www.vacavillecofc.com

If you would like to take a free Bible
correspondence course contact:
Know Your Bible Program
401 Fir Street • Vacaville, CA 95688
(707) 448-5085

NON-DENOMINATIONAL



The Father's House
4800 Horse Creek Drive
Vacaville, CA 95688
(707) 455-7790

www.tfh.org

Service Times
Sunday: 9am & 11am
Live Stream at
tfhvavacville

tfhvavacville tfhvavacville

UNITED METHODIST

"The People of
The United Methodist Church™"
**COMMUNITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

1875 Fairfield Avenue, Fairfield
Phone: 707-426-2944

Email: info@cumcfairfieldca.org
Website: cumcfairfieldca.org
YouTube CUMC Fairfield
facebook @cumcfairfieldca

Pastor Anne Choy
Online & In-Person Worship
10:15 a.m.

Communion 1st Sundays
Children, Adult and Bell Choirs
Young Adult Ministries
Adult Classes
United Methodist Women
United Methodist Men
Sunday School for Children

NON-DENOMINATIONAL



PASTOR JOSEPH PRUDHOMME
1180 Western Street
Fairfield, CA 94533
707 438 9700

Prayer Works

Sundays
9:00am • 10:00am • 6:00pm
Spanish translations available

Tuesday & Thursday
Home Fellowship Groups
Fairfield/Suisun/Vacaville

Ministries

- Men/Ladies' Fellowships
- Silver Saints
- Youth Group (Jr./Sr. High)
- Family Fellowship
- Motorcycle Fellowship

View our live website at
www.calvarychapel.org or
scan code to launch website



A Passion to...
Worship God • Love People • Share Christ

Sunday Worship Services
8:30 • 10 • 11:30 am

- We offer:**
- Nursery + Children's Classes
 - Youth Ministries
 - Men's & Women's Bible Studies
 - PrimeTimes (Seniors Ministry)
 - In Home Mid-Week Bible Studies
 - Celebrate Recovery

Bruce Gallaher, Lead Pastor
707-446-9838
www.cccv.me

190 Butcher Road, Vacaville, CA 95687
(off of Alamo, Just South of I-80)

Register children for Sunday School
at cccv.me



**"To know Him, and to
make Him known"**

490 Brown Street
Vacaville, CA 95688
707-446-8684

Sunday Services:
Sunday School 9:45am
Morning Worship 11am
Evening Worship 5pm

Thursday Service:

Prayer Meeting 7pm

Bible Studies throughout the week

Pastor Ben Smith

www.vacavillebiblechurch.com
office@vacavillebiblechurch.com

Live Stream on:



**ONE CHURCH
TWO LOCATIONS**

FAIRFIELD
2641 N. Texas St.

SUISUN
611 Village Dr.

Visit us online
for service times.

LibertyFairfield.com

707-425-9673



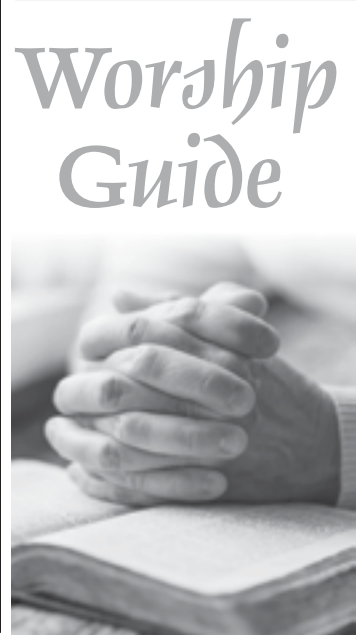
Celebrating our oneness, honoring our diversity
**350 N. Orchard Ave,
Vacaville - 447-0521**
unityvv@pacbell.net
www.unityvacaville.org

Sunday Morning
8:00 am Coffee with God
10:00 am Contemporary
Celebration with Youth Education

Wednesday Evening
6:30 pm Non-Denominational
Meditation Time
7:00 pm Contemplative Prayer

Come Home to Unity
It's Like Blue Jeans for the Soul
Affiliated with publisher of Daily Word®

f YouTube



Puzzles

STR8TS

No. 554Medium

6		4						
4								
					6			7
						5		6
							7	9
				7				
					9			
			9					1
9	8		1					6
				5				9

Previous solution - Easy

8	2	4	3	5	7	6
5	1	3	2	8	9	7
4	2	3	1	6	9	7
3	4	5	7	6	8	9
4	5	6	7	8	3	
6		7	8		2	3
7	5	6	8		2	1
3	6	7	5	4	1	2
7	8	9	4	3	2	1

How to beat **Str8ts** – Like Sudoku, no single number can repeat in any row or column. But... rows and columns are divided by black squares into **compartments**. These need to be filled in with numbers that complete a 'straight'. A **straight** is a set of numbers with no gaps but can be in any order, eg [4,2,3,5]. Clues in black cells remove that number as an option in that row and column, and are not part of any straight. Glance at the solution to see how 'straights' are formed.

You can find more help, tips and hints at www.str8ts.com

SUDOKU

No. 554Very Hard

				5			8
			9	8		3	
9				6	1		4
	5					4	
8			2		3		6
	7					2	
6		2		7			9
	1		6		2		
7			1				

Previous solution - Tough

8	9	6	7	2	4	3	5	1
4	3	7	1	5	6	9	2	8
2	1	5	3	9	8	4	6	7
9	5	1	4	8	2	6	7	3
6	7	2	9	3	1	5	8	4
3	8	4	6	7	5	1	9	2
1	2	8	5	6	3	7	4	9
5	4	9	2	1	7	8	3	6
7	6	3	8	4	9	2	1	5

To complete Sudoku, fill the board by entering numbers 1 to 9 such that each row, column and 3x3 box contains every number uniquely.

For many strategies, hints and tips, visit www.sudokuwiki.org

If you like Str8ts, Sudoku and other puzzles, check out our books, iPhone/iPad Apps and much more on our store at www.str8ts.com

The solutions will be published here in the next issue.

Visit

From Page 3

folks are true professionals,” Bickley said. “These Airmen led brilliantly through the COVID crisis and saved a lot of lives. It’s a tough job, but they exhibit ‘Excellence in All We Do’ every day. I’m very proud of them.”

The visit was punctuated by a senior non-commissioned officer induction ceremony that saw Bickley read the SNCO charge for the newly-minted master sergeants and with it, gave some advice for the future leaders of the Air Force.

“Are we a perfect Air Force?” he asked. “No. But we are the best Air Force in the world. So before you level criticism at our organization, we need to ask ourselves, ‘What am I doing to make it better?’ Look inward before outward. Am I asking my Airmen to do something that I cannot or will not do? At the end of the day, our young Airmen are the future of the Air Force and deserve nothing but the best from their leaders.”



U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Christian Conrad

U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Chad Bickley, 18th Air Force command chief, center, speaks with representatives from the Phoenix Spark innovation cell during a tour of Travis Air Force Base, California, July 30, 2021.



DR. JEFFREY BROOKS

Board Certified and Fellowship Trained Vascular Surgeon

VARICOSE VEINS? LEG ULCERS? LEG PAIN? LEG SWELLING?

LEG CRAMPS? LEG HEAVINESS? BURNING SENSATION? SKIN COLOR CHANGES? RESTLESS LEGS?



FREE CONSULTATION! WE CAN HELP! CALL TODAY! (707) 392-2500

- Major Insurance, MediCal, Medicare, Covered CA and Care Credit Accepted
- Se Habla Español

OUR OFFICES:

935 Trancas Street, Suite 2C, Napa, CA 94558
1460 N Camino Alto, Suite 101, Vallejo, CA 94589
1261 Travis Blvd., Suite 150, Fairfield, CA 94533

1360 Burton Drive, Suite 160, Vacaville, CA 95687
5120 Manzanita Ave. #105, Carmichael, CA 95608

www.TreatYourLegs.com

Vietnam

From Page 5

clean-up efforts in Vietnam and will work to remove unexploded munitions left over from the Vietnam War. The U.S. will also continue to support disabled veterans of war.

The United States and Vietnam have grown closer because of their shared interests and belief that peace and prosperity in the region depends on a “free and open Indo-Pacific,” Austin said. “We believe the region needs strong and independent Vietnam – a country that can defend its sovereignty and expand the prosperity of its people.”

The secretary wanted to get to the region earlier in his time in office, but COVID-19 restrictions prevented that. “For the secretary, this was a very important trip to make,” Pentagon Press Secretary John F. Kirby told reporters travelling with Austin. “This is his first chance to engage in person in Southeast Asia. And as you know, this is a vital region.”

It is a manufacturing heartland and a vital sea line with several choke points in the region. “Obviously, it’s a part of the world where China continues to be very aggressive...,” Kirby said.

Austin feels that it is important to meet with these partners. “He feels like that the reason for coming is absolutely validated in the discussions that he’s having, and the reception that he’s getting,” the press secretary said. “Both in Singapore and in Vietnam, [he received a] very warm welcome, and there is a very genuine interest in having the United States be engaged in this part of the world.”

Austin himself said that he came to the region to listen to the leaders of these nations. Kirby said the secretary is getting a sense of the realities in Southeast Asia and the challenges these leaders face.



DoD photo by Chad J. McNeely

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III and Vietnamese Defense Minister Phan Van Giang bump elbows after the signing of the Vietnamese Wartime Accounting Initiative Memorandum of Understanding between the two countries in Hanoi, Vietnam, July 29, 2021. Austin was on a weeklong trip to reaffirm defense relationships and conduct bilateral meetings with senior officials in Vietnam, Singapore and Manila, Philippines.

Opportunities

From Page 12

doesn’t realize that you can come into the Defense Department and not wear a uniform, she said.

Pentagon officials have built a website — www.dodciviliancareers.com — to correct this misperception. The website project’s team lead said the site is primarily a recruitment tool; the website’s purposes were to educate folks about civilian employment and help them explore where they might find their fit within the organization.

The idea began about two years ago, said Desiree Seifert, associate director for employment integration and strategic recruitment, at the service. “We knew we needed to be more active in social media,” she said. “We knew we

needed to have more of a way of communicating. We really wanted to look at our website as kind of the central hub of that messaging.”

The organization had a website before, but it wasn’t dynamic, Seifert said. “It didn’t let people know who we are or the variety of positions that we have,” she said. “It didn’t specifically target certain groups to say, ‘Hey, come on in and learn about us; here’s why it would be interesting to you.’”

The site is designed to give those working with it different paths to explore. If someone knows they want to work for the Army, for example, the site will give them a pathway there. If they want to work in South Korea, it will show them opportunities there.

“If the person is not sure, we have avenues where they can look at our different careers,” said the website

project’s team lead. There’s also a job exploration tool that allows people to answer a few basic questions about their interests and background and get some tips on where they might start looking. “The site can show them opportunities already aligned with their backgrounds.”

There are more than 600 civilian occupations in the DOD. There are all kinds of careers from scientists and engineers to artists to human resource personnel to intelligence analysts to medical professionals. “If you want to fix aircraft, you can do it,” Seifert said. “If you want to build ships, have at it. If you know talented individuals who want to make a powerful impact as DOD civilians, then www.dodciviliancareers.com is an excellent place to begin.”

Discount

From Page 2

ShopMyExchange.com/Vets.

Cardholders earn 2% in rewards points on their Military Star purchases – including at commissaries – and receive a \$20 rewards card every 2,000 points. Rewards exclude military clothing.

“Military shoppers are looking for ways to save,” Travis Air Force Base Exchange General Manager Phonda Bishop said in a press release. “Military Star helps shoppers not only with this limited-time discount, but with everyday savings on food, fuel and more.”

All of the Exchange earnings are reinvested in the military community, including funding for critical on-installation quality-of-life programs, according to the press release. When Travis Air Force Base shoppers use the Military Star card, the Exchange also saves on credit card transaction fees – savings that add up to millions of dollars a year worldwide, which allows the Exchange to better support Airmen and their families.

The Military Star card is administered by the Army & Air Force Exchange Service and is accepted at all military exchanges and commissaries. For more information, visit MyECP.com.

Tune to **AM 890** for up-to-date information on Travis Air Force Base happenings

BRYAN SCOTT
ORTHODONTICS

“We Go The Extra SMILE”



- Orthodontics for Children & Adults
- Cosmetic (Clear) Braces
- Invisalign
- Early Intervention Treatment
- Financing Options Available
- Military Discounts

Bryan C. Scott, D.M.D.
Specialist in Orthodontics



Voted Best Orthodontist

www.scott-ortho.com

1360 Burton Drive, Ste 100, Vacaville, (707) 451-2292

Service Source DIRECTORY

C140 CHILD CARE

My Little Angels Daycare
Monday thru Thursday 8am-5pm
Friday 8am-12pm
Specialize in infants/toddlers
Aged 0 to 5 years old
Over 25 years of experience

Carla Gray-McDaniels
(707) 425-4057

C190 CONCRETE WORK

Pennella Concrete
Driveways, Patios, Walks
Colored & Stamped

FREE Estimates

(707) 422-2296
Cell 326-7429

C190 CONCRETE WORK

Dennis & Son Concrete
DRIVEWAYS - PATIOS - FOUNDATION
PAVERS - COLORED & STAMPED
St. Lic# 570689 / A-0886 Insured

800-201-2183
We'll beat any licensed contractors bid.

C190 CONCRETE WORK

M.C. MANZO CUSTOM CONCRETE
• PATIOS • DRIVEWAYS,
• SIDEWALKS • GARAGE SLABS
• COLORED • STAMPED
• REMOVE & REPLACE
• BROOM FINISH LIC#55823

FREE ESTIMATES!
707-689-7980

E100 ELECTRICAL

SKYLIGHT
Electrical Panel Specialists
Residential, Commercial & Industrial

FREE ESTIMATES (707) 515-5503

H120 HAULING

MITCHELL'S HAULING
HAULING, CLEANING, ORGANIZING,
PACKING & DOWNSIZING
KATHY MITCHELL
Owner

**FREE ESTIMATES
SAME DAY SERVICE**

FAIRFIELD 923444 • TAILWIND
CELL (707) 386-1312

H120 HAULING

**When You Want It Gone...
... call John**

JOHN'S HAULING
(707) 422-4285
FREE Estimates • Same Day Svc
Insured License #04000359
Credit Cards Accepted
www.422haul.com

H160 HOUSE CLEANING

A & A Professional Cleaning Services
Carpet & Upholstery,
Kitchen & Baths, Windows, Etc.
Lic'd & Insured
707-386-3004

H160 HOUSE CLEANING

Slots Available

Housekeeping
\$30 per hr.
2 hr. min

References avail.
707.315.6909
Ask for Martha

L105 LANDSCAPING

YARD SERVICES
Free Estimates
City Lic. #00003591

(707) 425-7284

L105 LANDSCAPING

Gastelum Tree Service & Landscaping
Licensed and Insured
707-718-0645 / 678-2579

L105 LANDSCAPING

FOUR BROTHERS
Yard Service • Clean Up
Hauling • Trees • Fencing
Maintenance

707-426-4819

L105 LANDSCAPING

LANDSCAPING GARDENING
• Yard Maintenance, Trimming
(2 Times & 4 Times Monthly)
• New Lawn (Seed & Soil)
• Sprinkler Systems
• Japanese Gardens
• Fences & Decks
• Concrete Work

Free Estimates
Mr. Tam Nguyen (707) 803-3238

L105 LANDSCAPING

T & T TREE & LANDSCAPING SERVICE
20 Years Experience
Complete Professional Tree Service
• Tree & Shrub Removal • Any Size
• Trimming • Pruning • Shaping
• Landscaping • Shed Removal
• Irrigation Systems & Sprinkler Repair

Insured & Free Estimates
707-426-1251 • 707-290-2679

L110 LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

SONG LANDSCAPING GARDENING SERVICE
COMPLETE SERVICE
Lawn Care
Planting, Ground Cover
Hillside Fire Clearance

COMPLETE CARE
Weed • Trim • Cleaning Trash
SPRINKLER SYSTEM
Repair • Replace • Layout • Install
2 TIMES/MO. \$40
4 TIMES/MO. \$70
FREE ESTIMATES (707) 631-0078

L140 LOCKSMITH

FAIRFIELD SAFE & LOCK CO
Keys • Locks • Safes
Changed, opened, repaired
& installed.
Deadbolt & foreign car specialist
24 Hr. Emergency Service
811 Missouri St. • 426-3000

P100 PAINTING

BELLA PAINTING
Superior Quality
& Craftsmanship
(707) 631-6601

P100 PAINTING

#1 ANDY SUNRISE
Int./Ext. Acoustic
Removed & Texture

SUNRISE PAINTING
707-425-7542 PHONE
707-290-8179 CELL
707-425-1381 FAX

P100 PAINTING

EXCELLENT PAINTING
Residential • Commercial
www.paintingexcellents.com
707-580-4656

R130 ROOFING

CAL ROOFING SYSTEMS INC.
"Locals Serving Locals"
For Over 31 Years
FREE ESTIMATES
(707) 447-3132
CalRoofingSystems.com

R130 ROOFING

GUTIERREZ ROOFING
• TILE REPAIR
• SHINGLE REPAIR
• CLEAN GUTTERS
• AND MORE!

T220 TILE

LETTUS TILE
Specializing in Kitchen
& Bathroom Remodels
Start to Finish
Tile and Hardwood
Floors
"Quality On Time"
707-430-3703
Free Estimates • In Lic. #91066

T220 TILE

J&S TILEWORKS
30 Years Experience
(707) 365-2244
Indoor Tile • Outdoor Tile
Tile Repair • Swimming Pools
Patios • BBQs • Flooring
FREE ESTIMATES
Reference upon request (Lic. and Bonded #40006)

TAILWIND Classified 427-6936

0103 LOST AND FOUND

LOST (F) Brown teacup Chihuahua. On 7/3/21 location Solano Rd. **REWARD** If found call (707) 315-0907

0501 HELP WANTED

Exp. Bartender wanted Refs. reqd. \$13hr. + tips & accrued sick pay. Primarily needed for closing shifts; 8:30pm- 2:30am. Drop off or email resume: at Ding's Lounge, 1712 W. Texas St., FF r8ders81@gmail.com

Laundromat attendant position avail., in Fairfield. Job incl., cleaning and customer service. Send resume to: HR 1948 N. Texas St., Fairfield, CA 94533, or email: elmer.angelolinc@yahoo.com

BUY IT SELL IT FIND IT IN THE CLASSIFIEDS 707.427.6936

0645 MISC. WANTED

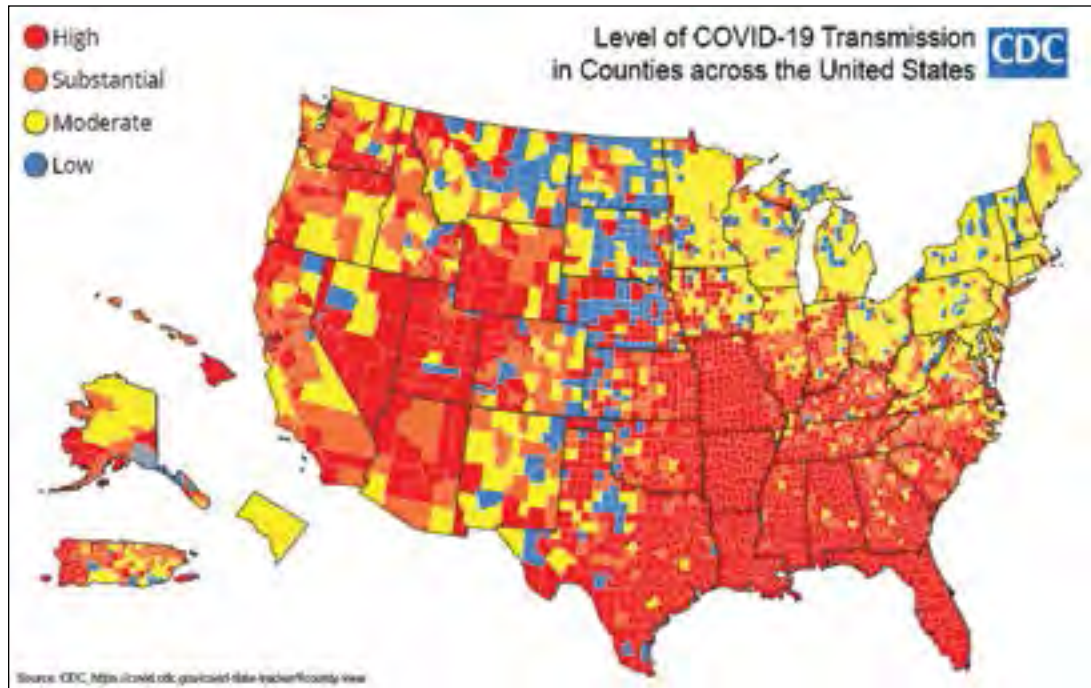
Radio test equip., Golf clubs, CB Radios, 2 tools boxes, with 3/4" 1/2" & 1/4" sockets. Call 707-425-4701

0677 PETS & SUPPLIES



Poodle AKC Toy.
• Champion Bloodline.
• Male, Female.
• Brown or Black
• 10 weeks.
• 1 shots.
• \$2000.
707-255-1177

Stack up the savings you'll find in the Tailwind Classifieds
707.427.6936
dailyrepublic.com



A map of the United States shows transmission rates for COVID-19.

Masks

From Page 4

those who have not been vaccinated will need to continue to wear masks, as they have been required to do all along.

DOD installations are also

being asked to post signage and update their websites to let visitors know of mask policies in place at those locations.

CDC guidance issued July 27 recommends that even individuals who have been vaccinated against COVID-19 start wearing a mask again while indoors if they are in an

area of "substantial or high transmission."

"To maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area of substantial or high transmission," the CDC recommends.

Mobility Airmen instrumental in evacuating aircraft to safety ahead of Typhoon In-fa

By Ms. Amelia Dickson
515TH AIR MOBILITY OPERATIONS WING

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — For six months each year, Airmen throughout the Indo-Pacific region are ready for typhoon season. During that time, the region's air terminals are on standby to receive aircraft from regions hit by winds up to 130 knots — or 150 mph.

Airmen were called to action this month when Typhoon In-fa threatened to hit Kadena Air Base, in Okinawa. Aircraft were evacuated to Yokota Air Base, Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, and Osan Air Base.

"It's always crazy when this happens," said Mr. Ernest Weber, air terminal manager at Yokota Air Base, located west of Tokyo. "It's not just the planes coming in from the typhoon area, it's also the planes that would be coming in on a daily basis."

The Yokota air terminal, managed by the 730th Air Mobility Squadron, helped to welcome eight additional aircraft from Kadena. Terminal staff developed a parking plan to ensure there was room for the incoming aircraft in addition to the ongoing daily missions. Airmen also provided stair trucks and fleet services — potable water and lavatory trucks.

The aerial port at Yokota typically handles between 20 and 30 missions each day, including Patriot Express missions. So, the additional eight aircraft were significant, Weber said.

But the effort was manageable thanks to the hard work of the air terminal staff — both Airmen and civilian employees.

The air terminal portion of the evacuation required a coordinated effort within the 515th

See **EVACUATION** Page 19

Providing VA Loans Locally!

Fulfilling the dream of Homeownership for our Veterans since 1994

We can EASILY close a VA loan transaction in 19 - 22 days here locally, So if you want to get it done Quickly at a Great Rate and Low Fees, with the same person from the beginning till the end, Let's Talk.

We have NO OVERLAYS! We can do a VA Loan 2 yrs after a Short Sale, Foreclosure or Bankruptcy AND we can do scores down to 580 and ratios up to 65%!

We have been able to successfully get COE's approved when other companies cannot get your eligibility restored!

We regularly beat other lenders quotes and we are right here Locally near the 'In and Out Burger'.

We DO Your VA IRRL's at the Very Lowest Rate available, Quicker than anyone else! No Appraisal, No Fuss, Just a quick REFINANCE into the lower 2's to save you \$200-\$500 a month! We can also do a VA JUMBO purchase anywhere in CA to 1.5Million at \$0 Down!



JUMBO VA Rates now in the Low 2% Range!
George R. Kalis
Broker/Owner
707.759.5129
NETWORK
INDEPENDENT MORTGAGE BROKERS
WHOLESALE MORTGAGE BROKER

We can use ANY Bank or Investors Wholesale dept. we are not confined to just one source!

1300 Oliver Rd., Ste. 140 • Fairfield • George@NIMBLoan.com • NMLS #270402 • DRE#02077932 • NMLS #1859425





Photo by Senior Airman Breana E. Bolfing

The 730th Air Mobility Squadron, located at Yokota Air Base, welcomed eight evacuated aircraft from Kadena Air Base in July ahead of Typhoon In-fa. The aerial port also maintained normal operations, including Patriot Express missions.

Airmen called to ACTION

Evacuation

From Page 18

Air Mobility Operation Group, an Air Mobility Command (AMC) organization that oversees the 730th AMS, the 731st Air Mobility Squadron at Osan Air Base in Korea, and the 733d Air Mobility Squadron at Kadena Air Base.

The group also works closely with the air terminal at Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, also in Japan.

Most of the aircraft evacuated from Kadena Air Base belong to Pacific Air Forces (PACAF), necessitating cooperation between two different major commands.

"This effort illustrates that our squadrons and mission partners are equipped and ready to work together to keep global mobility missions

moving throughout the Pacific, even during extreme weather," said Col. Chris Kiser, 515th AMOG commander. "It also sends a clear message to our strategic competitors that we're a capable, robust and resilient organization."

Typhoon In-fa brought sustained winds of 34 knots (about 40 mph) and gusts of 42 knots (about 48 mph) to Kadena Air Base on July 21, according to the Joint Typhoon Warning Center. With Kadena Air Base being located in "Typhoon Alley," there's a good chance the 515th AMOG will need to repeat the drill this year.

"We're used to it, it's part of normal life," Weber said. "It's what we expect in the summer."

"To us, they're just extra planes because we have a great team of professionals who are motivated to do their jobs," he added.



Photo by Senior Airman Breana E. Bolfing

Exchange

From Page 3

Base community."

The Military Star card is accepted at all Army & Air Force Exchange Service, Navy Exchange Service Command, Marine Corps Exchange, Coast Guard Exchange and Defense Commissary Agency stores.

The Military Star card also benefits cardholders with a rewards program based on purchases. The card issued \$32.8 million in rewards just last year, according to the press release. Other benefits include a set interest rate for all cardholders, regardless of credit score; discounts at Exchange fuel locations and at Exchange restaurants; and a reduced-interest deployment plan with no payments required for eligible customers.

For more information or to apply for a Military Star card, visit MyECP.com.

Car show on calendar Aug. 13 at base museum

By Daily Republic Staff

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE — Car enthusiasts are encouraged to show off their rides during the Freaky Friday Classic Car Show and Shine scheduled Aug. 13 at the base museum.

The event starts at 10 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m. at the Travis Heritage Center, Building 80, 461 Burgan Boulevard.

Members of the 921st Contingency Response Squadron will be cooking out during the event.

Organizers promote the event as an "extended lunch break" opportunity for those who work at the base. Those who visit the car show may also view the classic airplanes on display outside the museum.

To register a class car, contact Jeff Allee at alleeg-to1@comcast.net.

YOUR SERVICE MATTERS AT TRAVIS CREDIT UNION

Go with a recognized financial leader serving the military and their families since 1951.

TRAVIS CREDIT UNION OFFERS LOWER RATES ON AUTO AND HOME LOANS, RIGHT ON BASE.

We're also available digitally through our Apple and Android mobile apps. Access your accounts at anytime from anywhere your service takes you. When you're ready to PCS, take Travis with you using Online and Mobile Banking, or use one of more than 30,000 ATMs in the CO-OP® ATM network.

TRAVIS IS A RECOGNIZED LEADER

In 2020, Travis was awarded the U.S. Air Force Distinguished Credit Union of the Year for the second consecutive year. Forbes also ranked Travis as a Best-In-State Credit Union for California.



See why your service matters at Travis. Visit our TAFB Branch, online at traviscu.org or call 800-877-8328.

Federally Insured by NCUA. Everyone who lives, works, worships or attends school in our 12-county area is eligible to join. Certain membership eligibility requirements may apply. Equal Housing Opportunity NMLS #643926