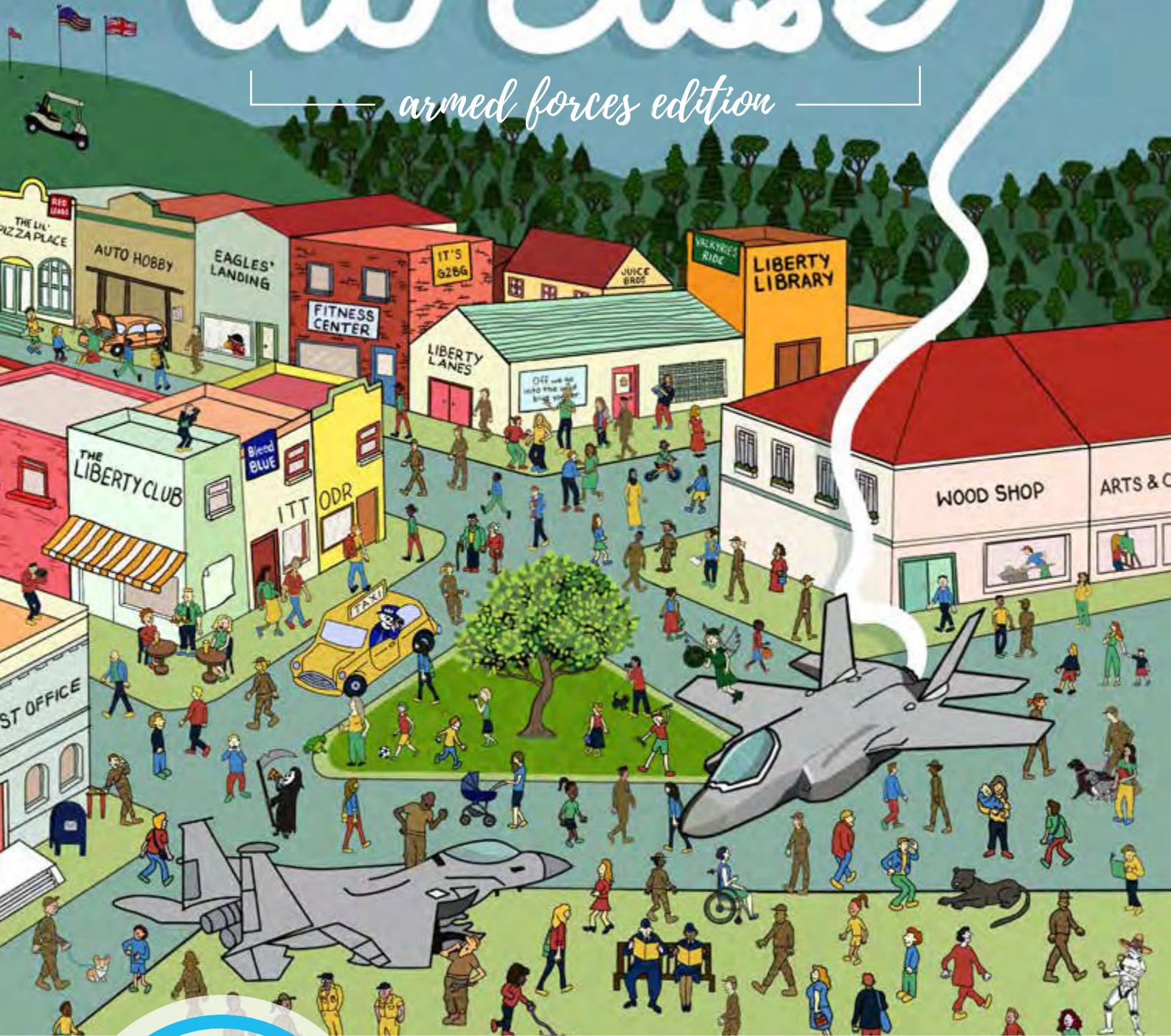


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Armed Forces Day

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Jadelyn Blackburn

May 23 is RAF Lakenheath's next Passport Day! In honor of this always popular event, as well as Armed Forces Day on May 18, we are highlighting Jadelyn – Jade for short – Blackburn from our Military Personnel Flight (MPF). As well as helping military personnel and their families every day, Jade has personal connections to the military as well. Her great grandfather served in the US Army and was deployed during WWII, and her spouse, Corban, currently serves in the US Air Force, following in the steps of his father and grandparents.

Employee Spotlight: MPF Passport Agent

Jade and Corban have been stationed in the UK for the past two years. Before living in England, they were stationed in Japan at Kadena Air Force Base, where they adopted their dog, Dorothy. When she's not making the BEST cinnamon rolls ever, Jade works as a Passport Agent for the MPF here at RAF Lakenheath. It's her first position with the federal government, and Jade says it's brought to light a lot of strengths that she didn't know she had.

Having earned her Bachelor of Science in psychology, Jade has pulled from her interest in studying human behavior to interacting with customers face-to-face. In fact, Jade's favorite part about her job is meeting new people. She's a people person – an essential for her role – but Jade is an animal lover too! As a child, she wanted to be a veterinarian, and she's also been a vegetarian for the last seven years too. Her favorite animal? The cuttlefish! Still, Jade's favorite part about her job is meeting new people, and the most interesting part is handling visa applications. As well as being customer-focused, Jade's role is also very tedious and detail-oriented. Jade finds enjoyment in this aspect too, and likes the challenge of working on visa applications in particular, as they take a lot of time and are very specific.

In addition to the Passport Office, the MPF offers a wide range of support to military members (and their families!), ensuring they have a smooth transition through pivotal milestones throughout their military careers. From command sponsorship to updating their DEERS, to re-enlisting or retiring, the MPF helps members through it.

“
I enjoy meeting
and talking to new
people every day.
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Don't forget! Passport Day is May 23!

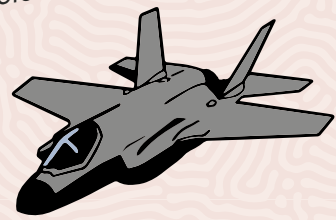
Honoring our Armed Forces

This month, we celebrate Armed Forces Day on May 18 and Memorial Day on May 27 – two days dedicated to our military heroes, both those who are currently serving as well as those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving. In recognition of these upcoming holidays, we connected with some of RAF Lakenheath’s active duty personnel to learn more about what being in the military means to them and learn more about how they are currently training to be mission-ready (pg 20).

The month of May also brings with it a host of activities, events, and trips brought to you by the 48 FSS. Whether you’re looking to enjoy some time closer to home or have a big adventure out in the UK, we’ve got you covered! Turn your Mondays throughout the month into fun days with the RAFL Community Center team’s new series (pg 10) and then mark your calendars to end the month in style with the summer season’s first Block Party on May 23 – we’ll have food trucks, music, and bouncy castles! And, why not get out and explore more of England this May? ODR has their Hike of the Month to the Virginia Water Loop on May 18 if you’re looking for some fresh air (pg 32), and ITT has some exciting trips planned too! Check out the mystical Stonehenge & City of Bath on May 18 or make like a foodie while exploring Blenheim Palace, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, at their annual Food Festival on May 26 (pg 30). And, definitely don’t forget to celebrate mom! Don’t wait – book your table for Mother’s Day Brunch at The Liberty Club’s Bistro on May 12 by scanning the QR code on the back of this magazine. Come prepared with a heartwarming, handmade gift ahead of time by participating in Ward Community Center’s special Mother’s Day crafting session on May 10. It’ll be just the thing to show mom how much you care!



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Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders

The month of May is also Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month! In honor of the occasion, we are recognizing the contributions and sacrifices of the AAPI community in the United States Air Force. Learn more by flipping to page 12 or visiting us online at lakenheathfss.com.

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Looking for something fun to do during the summer?



Registration is **OPEN** for the following instructional classes!

A CYPBMS account, current immunization record, and sports physical are needed to participate.

Summer Clinics hosted by Youth Sports

Ages 9-14 | 11am - 12pm

Cross Country: Jun 17-28

Golf: Jul 1-12

Volleyball: Jul 15-19

Floor Hockey: Jul 29 - Aug 9

Ultimate Frisbee: Aug 12-16



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Thursdays

Ages 8-12 | 5pm - 6pm



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Wednesdays

Ages 7-10 | 6pm - 7pm

Thursdays

Ages 11-14 | 6pm - 7pm

Ages 15-18 | 7pm - 8pm



Ballet

\$40 per month

Wednesdays

Ages 3-5 | 2pm - 2:45pm

Ages 5-7 | 2:45pm - 3:30pm

Dance

\$50 per month

Wednesdays

Mommy & Me • Ages 1-2 | 12:15pm - 1pm

Mommy & Me • Ages 3-5 | 1pm - 1:45pm

Contemporary/Jazz

\$50 per month

Wednesdays

Ages 5-10 | 3:30pm - 4:15pm

Ages 11+ | 4:15pm - 5pm



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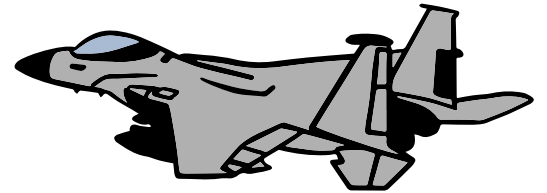
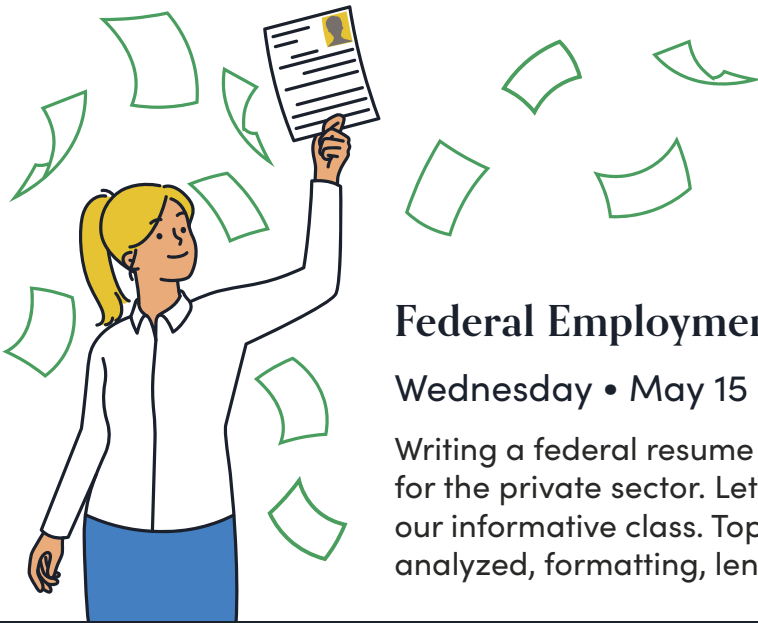
Register by sending your name, email, and phone number to 48fs.fsyy.youthprograms or call for more info.

Ready & Resilient

Travel 101 for Spouses

Wednesday • May 1 | 9am - 11:30am

Don't know where to start when making travel plans? Join us to jumpstart your next European adventure! Give us a call at 226-3847 or 01638 52 3847 to sign up!



Federal Employment: Resume Workshop

Wednesday • May 15 | 9am - 11am

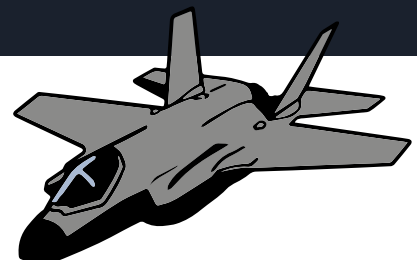
Writing a federal resume is a different process than writing a resume for the private sector. Let us save you time and frustration by attending our informative class. Topics covered include how federal resumes are analyzed, formatting, length, KSAs, common pitfalls, and so much more.

Upcoming Briefings & Workshops

- Pre-Deployment Briefing Mondays & Thursdays | 9:30am - 10am
- Pre-Separation Counseling Tuesdays • May 2 & 23 | 1pm - 4pm
- Reintegration Briefing Mondays & Thursdays | 9am - 9:30am
- Manage Your Move Thursdays • May 9 & 23 | 8:30am - 11:30am
- Transition Assistance Program (TAP) Workshop Monday - Wednesday • May 13-15 | 8am - 4pm
- Department of Labor Employment Track Thursday & Friday • May 16 & 17 | 8am - 4pm

Closures

- Friday • May 24 | Family Day
- Monday • May 27 | Memorial Day



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COMMUNITY CENTER



MOTHER'S DAY CRAFTS

Fri • May 10 | 5pm - 6:30pm • FREE

Join us to create a beautiful, handmade gift for the mom in your life! No sign-ups required.

SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT

Fri • May 10 | 6pm • FREE

Enjoy a tasty dinner from one of our food trucks, free popcorn to munch on during the movie, and inflatable bounce houses for the kiddos before the movie begins at 9pm!

SCAVENGER HUNT

Sat • May 11 | 10am - 12pm • FREE

It's time to put on your looking glasses and thinking caps, because we need help with a scavenger hunt! Open to all. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.





RAF Lakenheath Community & Event Centers

Page Community Center is undergoing major renovations, which are expected to be completed in 2025. Our team will continue to run programming from Eagles' Landing - Community Event Center during this time. Follow us on "RAF Lakenheath Community & Event Centers" on Facebook for further information.

MONDAY FUN DAYS

Mondays | 2:30pm - 4:30pm
**Eagles' Landing - Community
Event Center**

No sign-up required

Play Date

Mon • May 13 | FREE

We will provide an activity for kids (ages 2-8) to play together! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for details of the activity!

Music Madness

Mon • May 20 | \$2

Get the kids out to sing and dance to their favorite songs at this fun karaoke event! This event isn't just for kids - parents are encouraged to join in on the musical fun too!

EVENT CENTER

Eagles' Landing - Community Event Center is a great multifunctional space that's available to rent for any occasion!

Our range of large and versatile rooms are perfect for meetings, dinner parties, award ceremonies, wedding receptions, socials, and birthday parties. We can help you with catering, or you can bring your own food. And, you can decorate to suit your special event!

With prices from just \$10 an hour, contact our Event Center Office for further details. Call **01638 52 5113** or send us an email at **48fss.events.community@us.af.mil** to get in touch!

Scan the QR code on page 5 to read more about AAPI contributions.

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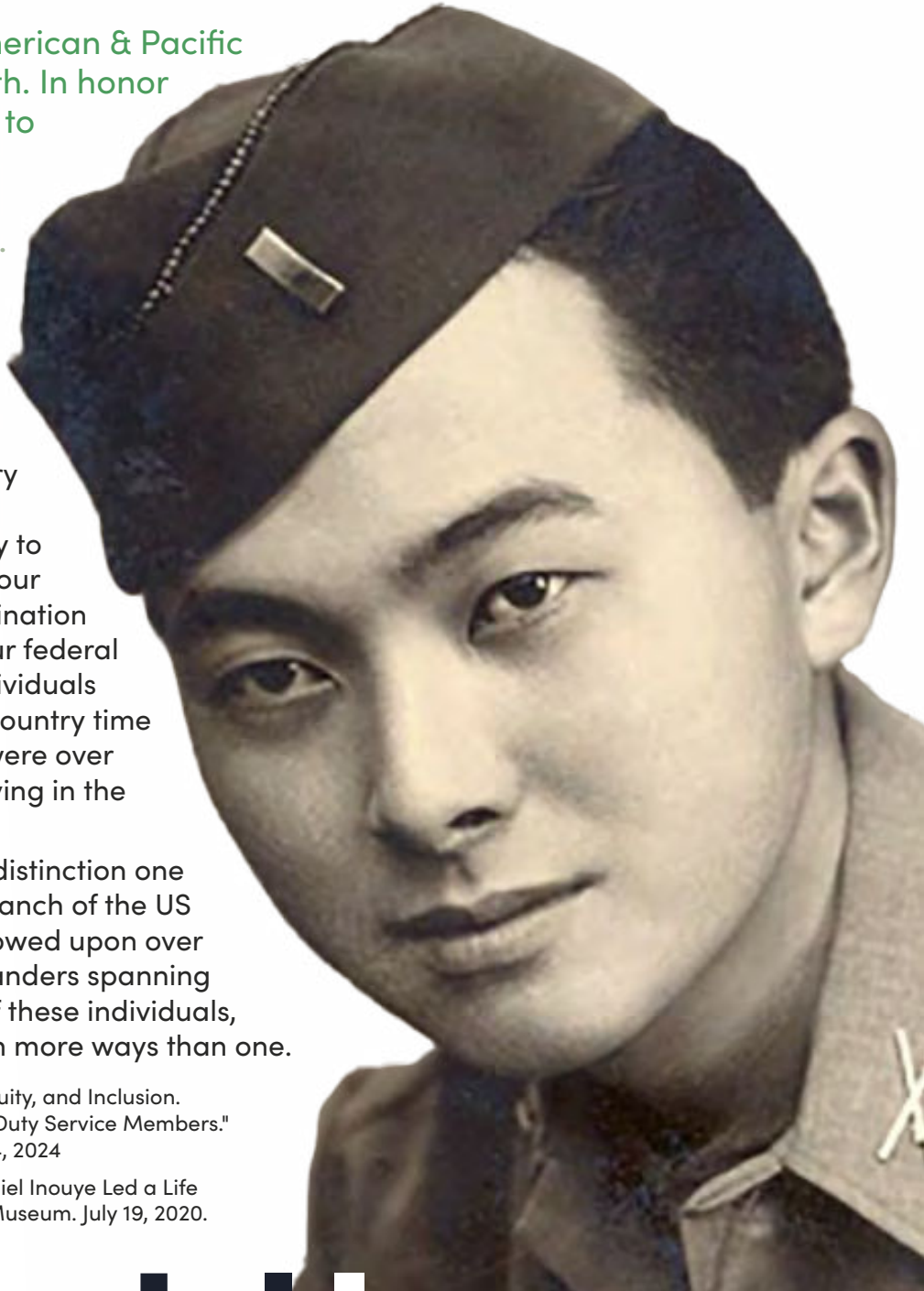
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The AAPI community includes approximately 50 ethnic groups from 40 countries on the continent of Asia and the Pacific Islands of Polynesia, Melanesia, and Micronesia. They served our country as early as The War of 1812 and the Civil War, contributing meaningfully to our military history and protecting our freedom. Despite suffering discrimination and segregation at the hands of our federal government, this community of individuals has stepped forward to serve our country time and time again. As of 2020, there were over 17,000 people of AAPI heritage serving in the US Air Force.

The Medal of Honor is the highest distinction one can receive when serving in any branch of the US Military. This medal has been bestowed upon over 30 Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders spanning multiple wars and decades. One of these individuals, Daniel Inouye, served his country in more ways than one.

Department of Defense Office for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. "2020 Portrait of Asian/Pacific Islander Active Duty Service Members." Department of Defense. 2020. Accessed April 4, 2024

Bamford, Tyler. "Medal of Honor Recipient Daniel Inouye Led a Life of Service to His Country." The National WWII Museum. July 19, 2020. Accessed April 4, 2024



Daniel Inouye

Lieutenant Daniel K. Inouye served in the US Army during WWII and as a United States Congressman for 53 years. He became the first Japanese American to receive both the Medal of Honor and the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

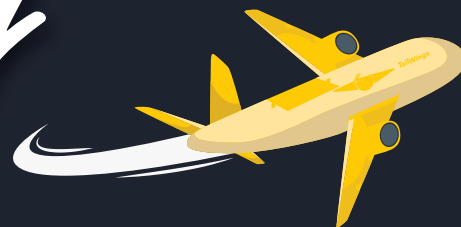


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Hello, Friends!

As the cloud-covered sun sets on my time here, I find myself reflecting on the incredible time I've had with all of you. This has easily been the most joyous and fulfilling chapter of my 17-year career. My aim was to make every experience I was a part of as enjoyable, memorable, and exciting as possible and whether you know me from hosting karaoke nights, open mics, Liberty Fests, concerts, teaching PDCs, or just a head nod at the gym, I thank you for being a part of the experience. As I prepare to embark on a new adventure, I ask of all of you two things. One, carry forward this legacy of positivity and happiness throughout the base; and two, if you see me around this month, let's share one more moment even if it's just a smile and a farewell.

I love you and there's nothing you can do about it.

*Goodbye, Friends.
~ Capt Donnell Brown*





Ready to Read

Baby Rhyme Time

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Decorate a Treasure Chest

Wednesdays • May 1 | 3pm - 4pm
Ages 6-10

Teen Volunteer Training for Summer Reading Program

Wednesday • May 8 & 22 | 3pm - 4pm
Ages 12+

Home School Show & Tell

Thursday • May 9 | 10:30am
Bring a special item or story that you would like to share and sharpen those public speaking skills!

Crafternoon at the USO

Every 2nd Wednesday
May 8 | 3pm - 4:30pm

Stop by and make two crafts with us. Open to ages 12 years and under while supplies last. Due to small parts and safety, parental supervision is required.

Canvas Painting

Saturday • May 18 | 10:30am - 12pm

Adults: Come create with us! Try to re-create a classic masterpiece or use your own creativity to make your own!

No library services will be available during this event. Ages 18+ only.

PaWs To Read

Thursday • May 23 | 4pm - 6pm

Our friends from the Red Cross will be at the library with a PaWs dog! Children can practice reading out loud to the dog and teens/adults can enjoy 20 minutes of pup therapy! Stop by the library or check out our Facebook page to sign up for a time slot.

Closures

Wednesday • May 15 | Staff Training
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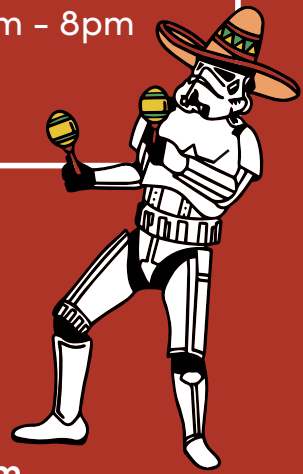


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Check out the Bistro's new hours!

Monday – Friday | 6:30am – 8pm
Saturday | 8am – 8pm
Sunday | Closed



Cinco de Mayo

Saturday • May 4 | 5pm – 8pm

Adult \$14.95 | Child (5-12) \$8.95 | Under 4 eat FREE!

The Liberty Club is serving up an all-you-can-eat Mexican buffet to celebrate the Fifth of May on May the Fourth! So whether you are celebrating Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862 or you're a big Star Wars fan, this buffet is sure to please!

Traditional or peach margaritas available for adults 18+ in the Bar!



Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday • May 12 | 11am – 2pm

Adult \$28 | Child (5-12) \$14 | Under 4 eat FREE!

Spoil the mom in your life with all-you-can-eat brunch at The Liberty Club! To make your reservation today, scan the QR code on page 5.

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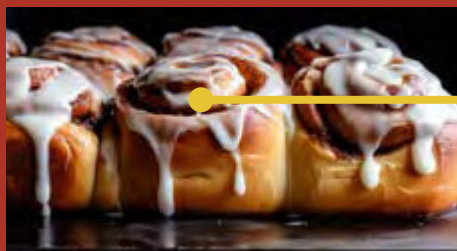




Waffle Wednesdays

6:30am - 10:30am

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Michelle's Sweet Treats

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- » Tuesdays • Southern
- » Wednesdays • Smoky BBQ
- » Thursdays • Mexican



Steak Night

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MAY 8



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MAY 22



Asian Pacific Islander Meal

MAY 23



Memorial Day Meal

MAY 29



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May 12
&
National Road Trip Day
May 20

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And, the lowest & highest odometer readings on any vehicle being serviced by Auto Hobby throughout the month of May will receive a free car wash!

Save 50% off a fluid top-up with regular priced oil change

&

Save 5% off regular priced A/C service

Parts Store

From car wash and detailing items to motorcycle helmets and protective gear, our retail store has something for every car lover.

Motorcycle MOT

Tuesday - Wednesday | 8am - 4pm

The weather is changing, so make sure your two wheels are safe for the road with a MOT.

Oil Change

Don't forget what's under the hood! Oil changes include a filter change, oil, and full 16-point health inspection.

Car Wash

Car wash & vacuums are open 24/7

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Light Conversion Pre-Inspection

Mondays & Fridays | 1pm - 2pm

Just received your car from the Vehicle Processing Center? Bring it by for a pre-inspection to find out what's involved in converting it to comply with UK laws. Stop in during the time listed above for a free pre-inspection and estimate.

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ARMED



FORCES



DAY

Veteran's Day is for those who have served and Memorial Day is for our fallen military heroes, but how do we recognize those who are currently serving? Secretary of Defense, Louis Johnson, answered this question on August 31, 1949, when he announced the creation of Armed Forces Day after the unification of the armed forces under the Department of Defense. "Armed Forces Day shines a spotlight on the courage and commitment of active duty service members and reservists. It is a day to express gratitude to those who have chosen to defend their nation, regardless of the uniform they wear or the country they represent".¹

We sat down with a SSgt Casey Guy, TSgt Samantha "Sloan" Middleton, and MSgt Robert Taylor from the 48th Maintenance Group (MXG) and asked them why Armed Forces Day is important to them and why they joined the military.

"[Armed Forces Day] provides that... appreciation for all our branches, as well as our reserve and guard units out there because they deploy and do the same job we do, and it's nice to see when everyone is getting their recognition.

I joined the military because I needed to grow up, and I needed that structure. And, it made me a way better person than I ever thought I would be... I owe the Air Force a lot."²

"I look at [Armed Forces Day] as an opportunity for me to look back on my career, and I've been in for eighteen and a half years so it's been a long, lengthy career. And, how far we have also come with women, not only in the military, but in Maintenance - we've come really far. I've only got a few more years left, but it will be interesting to see how much more we can progress with that".³

"This year, as we commemorate the 74th anniversary of Armed Forces Day, I am reminded of the profound legacy of service that runs through my family. My great-grandfather fought in the Korean War, while both of my grandfathers served during the tumultuous times of the Vietnam War. Their commitment to defending their country inspires me, and I see it as a personal responsibility to carry forward their tradition of service into the next generation. It is an honor bestowed upon me to uphold the legacy they forged through their sacrifices and dedication. Armed Forces Day holds a special significance for me as it is a day dedicated to celebrating the brave men and women who have served their country in the armed forces. In a nation where less than 1% of the population serves in the military, Armed Forces Day serves

as a reminder of the sacrifices made by this small but vital segment of society. It is a day to recognize the bravery and selflessness of those who willingly put themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms we hold dear. As we celebrate Armed Forces Day, let us not only honor the individuals who serve, but also reaffirm our commitment to supporting them and their families in every way possible".¹

All three of these individuals brought up some incredibly thought-provoking topics. To return the favor to the Airmen who opened up and shared their story with us, we want to share with you a training they have been a part of implementing here at RAF Lakenheath for all four Fighter Generation Squadrons: 495th, 493rd, 492nd, & 494th.

SMSgt Simpson Hill and MSgt Robert Taylor, of the 48 MXG, shared how proud they are of being the only base currently using Strategic Preparation Evolving Armament Readiness (SPEAR) training or anything like it, and the fact that this bi-monthly training program has made it up to the Pentagon and its data is being pulled after reporting to brief to the Top Brass.



Before we get in too deep, let's clarify what the purposes of SPEAR are: to exercise muscle and memory use in unique scenarios; to expand Airmen's knowledge beyond their assigned positions; to open the door for discussion on tactics and techniques used; to allow Airmen to approach problems in multiple ways; and to provide an environment with no supervisory input (other than safety observation), to allow Airmen to experiment and complete taskings in an abnormal environment.

Since August 2023, when a 3-member team shows up to Weapons Load Standardization and it is a SPEAR month, Airmen are given a unique, real-world scenario to complete. Crews are not briefed on the scenario until they arrive. "When you see this real-time, [the crews] are like 'we don't know what to do with our hands.'" We asked a couple of the evaluators about their experiences opposite the crews conducting the loads, and the consensus is that while the crews might freeze up at first, eventually a lightbulb turns on in their heads and they start talking through their next steps.⁵ This speaks directly to the SPEAR purpose of providing an abnormal

environment where the Airmen can approach problems in multiple ways.

Who creates the SPEAR scenarios? Loading Standardization Crews sit down and table talk - simple as that. They analyze the performance ratings across all types of loads and take a look at real-world current events. They then have to figure out how to bridge the gap between these two factors and branch out beyond normal operations.

One thing that was said several times by just about everyone who spoke on SPEAR was that they want to see the Airmen think outside of the box. Not every problem has a cookie-cutter solution, and these crews need to be prepared to do their jobs in every situation, whether that be loading in a different position or configuration, working with fewer crew members, while missing a certain piece of equipment, or something else - the list goes on.

Yes, SPEAR is designed to prepare the crews for the Great Power Competition and taskings that may come alongside that, but TSgt Kenneth Gulette wanted to make sure Airmen didn't miss out on the fun aspect of the training either. Bringing fun into these scenarios allows the crew members to gain more self-investment and lets them see the benefits of how what they are practicing can be used in the real world. It might also re-spark their interest in the career field by allowing them to see how they are impacting the overall mission.⁶ SPEAR allows the crews to expand their innovation and imagination to add value and experience to their everyday work lives.⁷



In summary, SPEAR training is working to prepare Airmen of the 48th MXG for their next challenge, their next deployment, and every objective and obstacle they face from here on out. SPEAR is molding these Airmen to be educated decision-makers and independent problem-solvers. SPEAR is the 48 MXG's approach to accelerating their forces' training to be able to be better prepared in executing the 48th Fighter Wing's mission.

1. MSgt Robert Taylor, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
2. SSgt Casey Guy, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
3. TSgt Samantha Middleton, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
4. SMSgt Simpson Hill, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
5. TSgt Jonathan Picher, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
6. TSgt Kenneth Gulette, personal communication, April 4, 2024.
7. SrA Samantha Love, personal communication, April 4, 2024.



FITNESS &

MAY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Throughout the month of May, receive points for participating in healthy events and activities. Complete as many cards as possible, and enter to win one of our fabulous prizes on May 31!

- 1 pt | Relax in the zen room, get a massage, or purchase from Juice Bros
- 2 pts | Complete a personal workout, squadron PT, or PT test
- 3 pts | Take a fitness class, sports lesson, or 30-min personal training session
- 4 pts | Take a F.I.T. class, varsity/intramural sport, or 60-min personal training session
- 5 pts | Participate in May Fitness Event

Tri-Base Tennis Tuesdays | 7pm - 9pm

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SPORTS



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June 21 | 8am

Most events require sign-up by **May 31**. Contact your squadron's sports representative for more information.

May Fitness Run 5K

May 11 • 10am | RAFL

8-hour Squadron Run

May 31 • 8:30am | RAFL

Tennis Tuesdays

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July 8. Contact your

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Lacrosse

June 1 | 10am - 12pm

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Every 3rd Friday • May 24 & June 21 | 9pm - 2am

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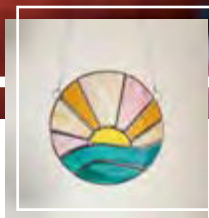
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MAY CLASS SCHEDULE

CLAY PLAY

Thursday • May 9 | 4:30pm - 7pm
Reg \$30 | R4R \$15



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Saturday • May 11 | 10am - 4pm
Reg \$135 | R4R \$35



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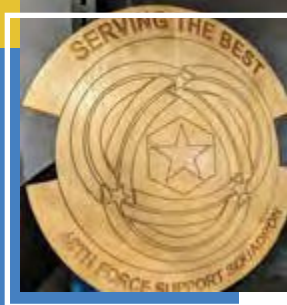
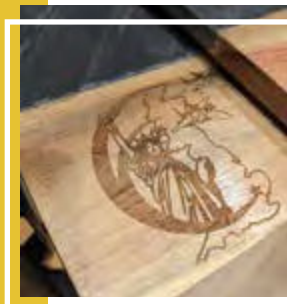
Thursday • May 9 | 5pm - 7pm
Reg \$35 | R4R \$15
Extra Child \$15 | R4R \$7

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Friday • May 17 | 10am - 1pm
Reg \$45 | R4R \$25



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Tower of London

Sunday • May 12 (*Mother's Day*)

Adult £65* | Child (5-15) £49 | Infant £20

Transportation & Tower of London entry

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London DYO

Sunday • May 12 (*Mother's Day*) & Saturday • May 25

Adult £35 | Child (3-14) £33 | Infant £20

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Stonehenge & City of Bath

Saturday • May 18

Adult £83 | Child (5-17) £73 | Infant £20

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Sunday • May 26

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Friday • May 24

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Transportation only

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May 24-26

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June 19-22
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Brussels Extended Day

Saturday • June 15
All £125

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Bolsover Castle & Sherwood Forest

Saturday • June 1
Adult £60 | Child (5-17) £54 | Infant £20
Adult £30 | Child £27



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Stratford-upon-Avon & Kenilworth Castle

Sunday • June 2
Adult £44 | Child (5-17) £38 | Infant £20

Transportation, Kenilworth Castle entry, & free time in Stratford-upon-Avon

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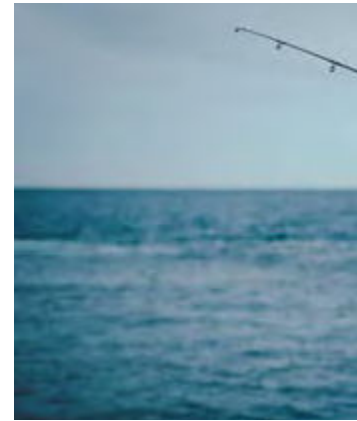
Saturday • June 8
All £70 | Ages 10+

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Sat & Sun: 9am-5pm
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DIY Hours
Tue-Fri: 10am-5:30pm
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Mon, U.S., & U.K. Shared Holidays: Closed
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Mon & Fri | 1pm-2pm

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Sun: 9am-5pm
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Bldg 1030 | x2279 or x2278
Mon-Fri: 7:30am-5:30pm
U.S. Holidays: Closed

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Bldg 948 | x3851
Mon, Wed, & Thur: 8am-4pm
Tue: 9am-4pm
Fri: 8am-3:30pm
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Bldg 1320 | x2223
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Christmas Day & New Year's Day: Closed

Child Development Centers (CDC)
CDC East
Bldg 659 | x3285
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CDC West
Bldg 439 | x5812
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Community Activities Center (CAC)
Page @ Lakenheath
Bldg 900 | x1627
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Ward @ Feltwell
Bldg 94 | x7023
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Sat: Reservation only
Family/Goal Days: 9am-3pm
Sundays & U.S. Holidays: Closed

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Mon-Fri: 9am-6pm
Sat: Reservation only
Family/Goal Days: 9am-3pm
Sundays & U.S. Holidays: Closed

**Community Child Care Coordinator/
Family Child Care**
Bldg 250 | x2170
Mon-Fri: 8am-5pm

**Eagles' Landing -
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Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm
Sat: Reservation only
Sun & U.S. Holidays: Closed

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RAFM Bldg 435 | 238-2111
Mon-Wed: 8am-3pm
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RAF Lakenheath BX | x3018
Mon-Fri: 10am-5pm
Sat & Family/Goal Days: 10am-1pm
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Liberty Lanes Bowling Center
Bldg 657 | x2108
Mon: Closed
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Sun: 11am-6pm

Liberty Club
Bldg 648 | x1611
Bistro
Bldg 648 | x1603
Mon-Fri: 6:30am-8pm
Sat: 8am-8pm
Sun: Closed

Cashier's Cage
Mon-Sat: 10:30am-4pm
Sun: Closed

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Sun-Wed: Closed
Thur: 4pm-10pm
Fri & Sat: 4pm-2am

Slots
Mon-Wed: 7am-8pm
Thur: 7am-10pm
Fri & Sat: 7am-2am
Sun: Closed

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Sat & Family/Goal Days: 10am-1pm
Sun & U.S. Holidays: Closed

Pizza Place
Bldg 670 | x2181 or x2497
Mon: Closed
Tue: 2pm-8pm
Wed & Thur: 11am-8pm
Fri: 11am-9pm
Sat: 2pm-9pm
Sun: 4pm-8pm

Delivery
Mon: Not Available
Tues-Sun: 4pm-8pm
Subject to change.

Post Office
Bldg 1025 | x2370
Finance/Mailing Out
Mon, Wed, & Fri: 10am-5pm
Tue & Thur: 11am-5pm
Sat: 10am-2pm
Sun: Closed
Priority Express not accepted after 3pm.

Package Pick-up
Mon, Wed, & Fri: 10am-4pm
Tue & Thur: 11am-4pm
Sat: 10am-2pm
Sun: Closed

Night Shift Package Pick-up:
Mon-Fri: 7am-8am

**Customer Service/In & Out
processing/Claims:**
Mon-Wed & Fri: 10am-4pm
Tue & Thur: 11am-4pm
Sat & Sun: Closed

VAT Relief Program Office
Bldg 977 - Ground Floor | x3166
Mon-Fri: 8:30am-11:30am
Walk-ins only

Wood Shop
Bldg 1104 | x3367
Wed & Thur: 10am-7pm
Fri: 10am-5pm
Sat: Class day only
Mon & Tue: Closed
Holidays & Family/Goal Days: Closed

Youth Center
Bldg 250 | x5437
Mon-Fri: 6:45am-5:15pm
Sat & Sun: Closed
Holiday & Family/Goal Days: Closed

Open Recreation/Teen
Bldg 250 (Youth Center) | x5437
Holidays & Family/Goal Days: Closed

School Age Care (SAC)
Bldg 250 | x5437
Closed federal holidays

Youth Sports
Bldg 250 | x1182
Refer online for season dates

Hours Subject to Change
Please check with the facility before
making plans.

The MSG Training Day will be every 3rd
Wednesday of the month. FSS facilities
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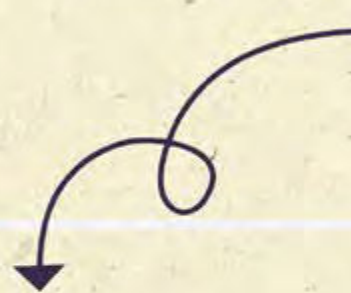


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