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Winning is half the fun for kids

Ichiba: Japan's Supermarkets

To those living off-Station, running to the corner market in Japan to get "a few things" may cause one to think twice. For certain, the person who hesitates to enter the neighborhood supermarket because of its "alien-ness" may well find that his or her fears are unwarranted. In fact, most service people and their families living in town find that many of the items they were used to buying in the States can be found in the local marketplace—just labeled differently.

One of the most apparent differences between Japanese and Stateside markets is the definite difference in the amount of available parking. Unlike most Stateside markets, parking at Japanese markets is scarce, to say the least.

Once inside, however, the store is similar to those in the States, with the merchandise separated into various sections, such as, dry goods, meats, produce and baked goods. The larger stores also have evenly spaced aisles with signs, in kanji, noting the items that can be found there.

A bit of deductive reasoning, an understanding of picture directions and a 'yen' for adventure will be required to have a successful shopping trip. And speaking of yen, ensure you have some, as markets deal strictly in local currency.

Most of the Japanese food items that have to be prepared usually have a set of directions, in kanji, on the containers, with accompanying pictures to show how it's prepared. This also holds true for most hardware, cleaning and detergent items.

One thing to remember about Japanese markets is that the metric system prevails. Weights are given in grams and kilograms and the displayed prices are for those measurements. Also, remember that beef is expensive in Japan, so double check your computations when deciding on the amount you desire. It's always a good idea when ordering fresh cuts of meat to tell the butcher the amount of yen you wish to spend or the number of pieces you want.

When exiting the store you need only to place your basket on the checkout counter and the cashier will empty the basket as she tabulates your order. She will then present you with a tape of your purchase and tell you in Japanese how much you owe. For those who haven't mastered the language, checking the tape or the figures displayed on the cash register will tell you the amount of your purchase.

Though usually shopping in the community can't compare with the savings one can get overall from the commissary, stopping at the corner market can add much to the cross cultural memories that can be acquired during your stay in Japan. □



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our cover

Kenny Christian, of the Vikings Junior league soccer team, blocks a pass using his chest to move the ball back into the Hustlers side of the field. The Vikings went on to lose the game 1-0 to the Hustlers in overtime. For more see page 7.

Mail prices, X'mas dates set

Effective Sunday, postal rates for first class, post cards and priority mail will increase.

Rates for first class letters will jump from \$.18 to \$.20 for the first ounce, but will remain at \$.17 for each additional ounce. Post cards will rise to \$.13 from \$.12. Priority mail rates will also change, with the lower weights increasing in price while the heavier weights decrease.

All other postal rates (SAM, PAL, etc.) and services will remain the same. The following is a schedule of the latest dates that items should be mailed by to ensure that they reach their international destinations in time for Christmas:

Destination	Air Mail	Air Parcel	Surface
Australia	Nov. 30	Nov. 27	Oct. 26
Caribbean/ West Indies	Dec. 14	Dec. 11	Nov. 13
Central/ South America	Nov. 30	Nov. 30	Nov. 9
Europe	Dec. 11	Dec. 7	9
Far East	Dec. 11	Dec. 7	Oct. 26
Mid East	Dec. 4	Nov. 27	Nov. 2
North/ Northwest Africa	Dec. 7	Nov. 27	Nov. 9
Southeast Asia	Nov. 30	Nov. 30	Oct. 26
Southeast Africa	Dec. 7	Nov. 27	Oct. 26
West Africa	Dec. 7	Nov. 27	Oct. 26

Letters and packages being sent to the States should be mailed on or before the following dates:

Priority	Letters	PAL	SAM	Surface
Dec. 18	Dec. 18	Dec. 4	Dec. 4	Nov. 20

Newsmakers

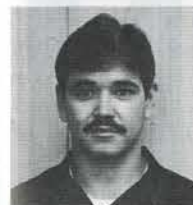
Iwakuni Newsmakers this week are: Petty Officer First Class Apolonio D. Serafica, Sison, Philippines, for being slected as Sailor of the Quarter; Captain Lawrence L. Larson, Des Plaines, IL, H&HS, for receiving a Navy Achievement Medal; Dental Equipment Repairman Second Class Alan A. Carvajal, San Antonio, TX, 11th Dental Company, for being selected as Sailor of the Quarter (June-Sep.); Lance Corporal Maria M. Magana San Pedro, CA, H&HS, for receiving a Meritorious Mast; Corproal Samuel L. Gardner, Columbus, MS, H&MS-12 and Corporal Allyn J. Turner, Seattle, WA, MAG-12 for promotion to their present rank.



Serafica



Larson



Carvajal



Magana



Gardner



Turner

Shot hours change

The Branch Clinic has announced a change in the hours of operation for the Immunization Clinic. To further enhance operating efficiency and provide better patient care the hours of operation of the Immunization Clinic have been changed to 7:30 - 11:30 a.m., Mondays through Fridays. This change will become effective Monday. □

Clubs seek waitresses

The Clubs System is looking for waiters and waitresses to work in the Air Station clubs. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and can be either Marines looking for part-time work or dependants. Applications must be submitted at the Civilian Personnel Office, near the main gate. □

Audiograms postponed

Due to renovation and mechanical repairs of the audiogram equipment at the Naval Regional Medical Center Branch Clinic, there will be no audiograms available until further notice. For further information, contact Aviation Medicine at ext. 3515 or 4144. □

Animal clinic set

The U.S. Army Veterinarian will be aboard MCAS Iwakuni Monday through Wednesday to conduct an animal clinic as follows:

Monday will be devoted to laboratory examinations of blood and stool samples.

Tuesday will be used for outpatient visits and immunizations.

Wednesday, 9-11:30 a.m., will be used for outpatient visits and immunizations.

The clinic will be held in building 1550, across from the Wing-side Exchange.

Appointments are necessary and may be made by calling the Preventive Medicine Office, ext. 3282 or the animal clinic at ext. 4622 Monday. □

Sakura theater presents

Today - 6 p.m. - Cardiac Arrest - PG - A homicide police officer is assigned to investigate a series of macabre murders in which the victims are found with their hearts missing. Dave McElhatton and Garry Goodrow star. (94 min)

Today - 8:30 p.m. - Island of the Damned - R - On a belated honeymoon, a couple discovers an island that has been taken over by children. Lewis Fiander and Prunella Ransome star. (101 min)

Saturday - 3 p.m. - Here Come the Coeds - G - An Abbott and Costello classic.

Saturday - 6 p.m. - Halloween - R - Jamie Lee Curtis, Nancy Loomis and P.J. Soles are stalked by a psychopathic killer who has returned to a town after 15 years to kill again. (91 min)

Saturday - 8:30 p.m. - Tess - PG - In Victorian England Tess is dealt one cruel blow after another by fate. Nastassia Kinski and Peter Firth star.

Sunday - 3 p.m. - Born Free - G - The classic about the rearing of three lions. Virginia McKenna and Bill Travers star. (95 min)

Sunday - 6 p.m. - The Silent Partner - R - Christopher Plummer lets out his scheme for a heist and Elliot Gould pulls a switch on him worth \$50,000. (108 min)

Sunday - 8:30 p.m. - Underground Aces - The escapades of a group of parking lot attendants at a posh hotel are focused. Dirk Benedict and Melanie Griffith star. (93 min)

Monday - 6 p.m. - Norma Rae - PG - Sally Field is a hardworking Southern mill laborer whose main outlet is men, and Ron Liebman is a hip organizer who sets out to unionize her plant. (115 min)

Monday - 8:30 p.m. - The Bushido Blade - R - A great sword is stolen from Japan before it is handed over as a gift to the U.S. Richard Boone and Frank Converse star. (94 min)

Tuesday - 6 p.m. - The Grateful Dead - PG - This superb animation fantasy features the "Dead" and some of their hits and concert footage. (133 min)

Tuesday - 8:30 p.m. - Fatso - PG - Dom DeLuise is an obese, middle-aged bachelor who falls in love with a neighbor and is swayed into dieting by his sister. Anne Bancroft also stars. (94 min)

Wednesday - 6 p.m. - The Island of the Damned - R

Wednesday - 8:30 p.m. - Halloween - R

Thursday - 6 p.m. - Cardiac Arrest - R

Thursday - 8:30 p.m. - Tess - PG

Community events calendar

Trick or treat, tonight

Trick or treating on the Air Station and in the Monzen Housing area is scheduled for tonight, from 6-8 p.m. Since Halloween is not a Japanese custom, parents are reminded that children should only visit American homes. All families taking part in the festivities should ensure that their porch lights are on. □

SgtMaj talks with spouses

The Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, Sergeant Major Leland D. Crawford, wants your opinion on overseas accompanied tours. SgtMaj Crawford is a member of a CMC task force studying the increase of accompanied tours in Japan.

The Sergeant Major will be aboard the Air Station Nov. 3, for a meeting with all enlisted spouses, both com-

mand and non-command sponsored, at 10 a.m., in the Sakura Theater. SgtMaj Crawford is gathering information on Iwakuni for Marine Corps' desires to increase accompanied tours.

The Marine Corps' top enlisted man wants to get a feel for the pros and cons of Iwakuni families in such areas as the Exchange, Commissary, Special Services, medical facilities, recreation, etc. He also wants to know what information should be given to families coming overseas. □

British group Lips here

The British female group Lips, first place winners in a European song contest will be entertaining with their variety of music in the clubs tonight and tomorrow night. Their music selection is variety. □

What's cookin'

Today

dinner - pork loin roast

Saturday

brunch - ham steak

Sunday

brunch - baked chicken

Monday

lunch - pork Adobo

dinner - veal steaks

Tuesday

lunch - Spaghetti

dinner - Spanish rice

Wednesday

lunch - braised beef liver or franks

dinner - ginger pot roast

Thursday

lunch - braised beef and noodles

dinner - roast turkey

Friday

lunch - seafood platter

Club happenings

Tomodachi club

Today - Lips 7:30 p.m., Zap rock 8:30 p.m.

Saturday - video movie 1:30 p.m.,

Sunday - video movie 7:15 p.m.

Monday - Grand Masters 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday - video movie 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday - video movie 7:15 p.m.

Thursday - Grand Masters 7:15 p.m.

Club 19

Today - Zap Country 7:30 p.m.

Saturday - video movie 8:45 p.m.

Sunday - video movie 2 p.m.,

Lips 7:15 p.m.

Monday - closed

Tuesday - video movie 7 p.m.

Wednesday - game night

Thursday - video movie 7 p.m.

SNCO club

Today - Lips 9:30 p.m.

Saturday - video movie 1:30 p.m.,

Sunday - video movies 1:30 p.m.

and 7 p.m.

Monday - video movie 7 p.m.

Tuesday - sweet and sour pork

Wednesday - Grand Masters 7:15 p.m.

Thursday - game night

Officer's club

Today - chicken buffet

Saturday - Lips 9:30 p.m.

Sunday - country buffet

Monday - video movie 7 p.m.

Tuesday - Grand Masters 8:45 p.m.

Wednesday - Oriental dinner

Thursday - special steak night

Youth Soccer League:

Animals, Stingers tied at 5-1 each

Richard Perkins scored a goal 45 seconds into overtime to lift the Hustlers to a 1-0 victory over the Vikings in a hard fought defensive Junior League soccer game Saturday.

In the second game of the day the Sharks upset the Stingers 1-0. The Sharks handed the Stingers their first loss in two years by battling them to a scoreless four quarters and an overtime. Following the overtime, the teams went into a 10-shot shootout in which Troy Ellis shot four into the goal while the opposition scored only one, due to the excellent play of Shark's goalie, Peter Mellon.

The Animals remained in first place in the Senior division by downing the Bad News, 1-0, on a goal by George West.

Rounding out the day, the Soc-



Sgt David McGinty

kers trounced the Kicks, 5-1, when Orona tacked on the other goal. both Tim Poore and Steve Carr Norio Okikawa scored the only goal scored two goals apiece and Joe for the Kicks. —Sgt David McGinty

10-miler, deja-vu of five-miler



Sgt Chuck DeMar

The field of runners for Oct. 18's 10-mile Special Services run grew to 17 and at the finish it was a much faster paced race than the recent five-miler.

It was somewhat of an instant replay however, as the first three place runners came across the finish line in the same order as they did in the warm-up five-miler.

David Reintjes was again the winner with a flat 51 minute time. "I was pleased today," he said. "I ran it very quick and feel good about my time." His previous race time was 25:44 for the five-mile course.

Second place again went to Donald Bohannon, with a steady paced 55:33 time. His 10-mile pace was also

faster than his previous second place time of 28:26.

Antonio Villarreal swept up the third place spot two minutes ahead of the rest of the pack and was clocked at 58:07 minutes. It wasn't quite as fast as his five-mile time of 28:44, but was easily fast enough for the Sunday field of runners. —Sgt Chuck DeMar