

## Director's Message

Welcome to a new month with Marine Corps Family Team Building (MCFTB). Whether you are new to Okinawa or have been here for some time, our mission remains the same: to support Marines, Sailors, and their families with the tools, resources, and training needed to thrive in military life.

This month's theme, Agility & Grit, is at the heart of what it means to be part of our community. Military life often requires us to adapt quickly and persevere through challenges, whether that's a deployment, a PCS move, or balancing family life in a new environment. At MCFTB, we aim to equip you with both the flexibility to navigate change and the resilience to press forward with confidence.

Throughout September, we invite you to join us for workshops and events designed to strengthen these qualities, programs like L.I.N.K.S. Foundations, Cuppa Conversations, our Leadership Symposium, and hands-on sessions such as the Auto Care Workshop. Each opportunity is created to connect you with resources, mentors, and peers who understand the unique challenges of military life.

As always, MCFTB is here to support you, your family, and your command team. Together, we can continue to build a strong, resilient community—ready to meet challenges with both agility and grit. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!

-MCFTB Director

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## COMMUNITY FUN THIS PAST SUMMER- CRAFT, FILMS, FUN!



This summer, we hosted a series of Disney movie screenings and themed crafts for kids ages 5–13 navigating deployment life. Held every other Wednesday from July 9 to August 20 at Camp Foster Library and McTureous Community Center, the events brought families together for laughter, creativity, and connection. With the support of Mid-Deployment/L.I.N.K.S. for Kids, it was a fantastic way for children and parents to bond, build friendships, and enjoy some well-deserved fun.

We're so grateful for everyone who joined us—and we're already excited to bring even more fun next summer!





# September

## OMBUDSMAN APPRECIATION



MCCS Marine Corps Family Team Building proudly celebrates our Ombudsman, dedicated volunteers who serve as the vital link between commands and military families. They offer guidance, share resources, and provide unwavering support through every challenge and milestone. This month, we'll honor them with special spotlights, personalized thank-you moments, and messages of gratitude from our community.

We're also excited to introduce Juan Rodriguez Rosa as our newly appointed Navy Liaison. Juan has been serving the community through MCFTB as a Readiness & Deployment Support Trainer, bringing passion, expertise, and a deep commitment to supporting service members and their families. We're thrilled to see him take on this important role and continue making a positive impact.

## MCA SPOUSE SUMMIT - BEHIND THE CAMOUFLAGE

MCCS Marine Corps Family Team Building is proud to highlight the upcoming **Okinawa Spouse Summit – Behind the Camouflage**, an event presented by the Marine Corps Association and designed to support, empower, and connect military spouses.

Military life can be fast-paced, demanding, and at times isolating—but it also fosters strength, connection, and resilience. This special evening offers spouses of Active Duty, Retired, and Reserve Service Members, as well as Gold Star Spouses, an opportunity to come together in a space dedicated to community and personal growth.

Taking place on Wednesday, September 10, 2025, at the Camp Butler Officers' Club in Chatan, the summit will run from 5:15 to 9:00 PM (doors open at 5:00 PM). Guests will enjoy dinner and drinks, hear from Sylvia Black, III MEF Southwest Islands Advisor, during a powerful keynote on strengthening connections, and explore a robust resource fair featuring programs that support career development, family life, and community engagement.

This event is free of charge and open to eligible spouses.

Join us for an inspiring evening of connection and community—invest in yourself, discover new resources, and celebrate the strength of the Marine Corps spouse community.

### MCA SPOUSE SUMMIT

### OKINAWA, JAPAN

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

FOSTERING CONNECTION TO COMMUNITY.

<b>SCHEDULE</b> 1715 Check-in & Resources 1800 Dinner & Drinks 1900 Event 2100 End Program	<b>LOCATION</b> Camp Butler Officer's Club Building 4100 Plaza Housing, Okinawa
<b>GUEST SPEAKER</b> Sylvia Maiko Black Southwest Islands Advisor to III MEF Born in Okinawa and raised in Texas, Sylvia combines local insight with global perspectives. In her role with III MEF, she bridges cultures and fosters connection between the military and Okinawan communities.	<b>COST</b> Free for all spouses of Active Duty, Retired, or Reserve Service Members and Gold Star Spouses. *Dinner and Drinks provided

REGISTER TODAY AT [WWW.MCA-MARINES.ORG/EVENTS](http://WWW.MCA-MARINES.ORG/EVENTS)



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## THE LEADER THEY'LL REMEMBER – TWO DAYS, TWO UNIQUE LEADERSHIP JOURNEYS

Are you ready to lead with purpose, inspire others, and make a lasting impact? Join Marine Corps Family Team Building (MCFTB) for The Leader They'll Remember, a two-day Leadership Symposium taking place Thursday and Friday, 04–05 September 2025, from 0800–1600 at the Northern Breeze Room, Ocean Breeze, Camp Foster. This is not a repeat program—each day features different topics, expert speakers, and interactive workshops. You'll gain fresh perspectives and practical tools to strengthen your leadership skills, with sessions covering communication, decision-making, resilience, and team building, all led by seasoned leaders who have led with courage and vision.

Who should attend: Military leaders (E-4 and above, O-1s, O-2s) and civilian supervisors with base access

Seats: Limited to 80 participants – reserve your spot today!

Attire: Civilian business casual

Don't miss this opportunity to become the kind of leader who's remembered for impact—not just position.

## The Leader They'll Remember



Sign Up Here!



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THE LEADER THEY'LL  
REMEMBER**

JOIN US FOR A DYNAMIC TWO-DAY SEMINAR EXPLORING WHAT IT TRULY MEANS TO LEAD WITH INTEGRITY, COURAGE, AND CHARACTER.



RSVP REQUIRED  
SEP 4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
0800–1600  
OCEAN BREEZE CAMP FOSTER

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## L.I.N.K.S.

### ***L.I.N.K.S. Foundations***

9 September 2025

from 0930-1500

Camp Courtney, Legends

### ***L.I.N.K.S. Cuppa Conversation***

3 September 2025

from 0830-1030

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### ***L.I.N.K.S. Mentors***

30 September 2025

from 1000-1300

Camp Courtney, Legends

## LIFESKILLS

### ***Premarital Seminar***

12 September 2025

from 0800-1430

Camp Foster, Ocean

Breeze

### ***Leadership Symposium***

4 & 5 September 2025

from 0800-1600

## FRP

### ***CTT FRCTA/FRA***

3 September 0830-1200

Camp Foster, Bldg 439

### ***UPFRP Readiness***

### ***Coordinator Training***

16-18 September, 0830-1600

Camp Hansen, M&F Bldg

2339 Rm 116

## RDS

### ***Pre-Deployment***

11 September 2025

from 1330-1530

Camp Schwab, Bldg 3000 PS06

### ***Mid-Deployment***

25 September 2025

from 0830-1030

Camp Courtney, Bldg 4425