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U.S. Air Force Photo by Airman Manisha Vasquez

Fill the C-5 Tire event

The 512th Airlift Wing will make its first attempt to fill a C-5 tire for charity from 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Dec. 4 in the base theater parking lot. Everyone is encouraged to drive by and drop off nonperishable food items and supplies. A copy of some wish list items, provided by a few of the area shelters, can be found on the wing's shared drive in the Current Events folder.

Mullen cites North Korea's unpredictability

North Korea's artillery assault on South Korea's Yeonpyeong Island Nov. 23 is an issue of concern in a region that wants stability, Navy Adm. Mike Mullen said Nov. 24 on ABC's "The View" television show.

Admiral Mullen, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and his wife, Deborah, appeared on the daytime talk show to discuss a range of issues, including the situation on the Korean peninsula.

"There is worrisome leadership in North Korea," Admiral Mullen said. "(North Korean President Kim Jong Il is) a very unpredictable guy, a very dangerous guy. This (attack) is also tied, we think, to the succession of his young, 27-year-old (son) who's going to take over at some point in the future, and he continues to generate these kinds of events."

Admiral Mullen said Americans should be concerned about North Korea's volatile posture, but he noted that the United States has 28,000 troops in South Korea, where "we are very much

aligned with in supporting them."

"They are a strong ally. We need the region to stay very stable," Admiral Mullen said. "(Kim Jong Il) is a guy who creates instability routinely. I think it's very important, certainly with the Japanese and the South Koreans, but I also think it's important for China, to lead. The one country that has influence in Pyongyang is China, so their leadership is absolutely critical."

North Korea has worked hard to develop nuclear weapons, Admiral Mullen said, calling last week's revelation of the uranium enrichment facility there "a big deal." He said the facility has been described as sophisticated and modern.

"So, (If Kim Jong Il) continues on that path with nuclear weapons, or his son does, it could be a very dangerous outcome in the long term and it will at least destabilize an important part of the world," the chairman said.

To read the full story, visit <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123232430>.

(Courtesy American Forces Press Service)

Don't miss 512th AW Commander's Call Dec. 4

The 512th Airlift Wing Commander's Calls will be Dec. 4 at 7:15 a.m. for the 512th Operations and Maintenance Groups and at 3 p.m. for the 512th Mission Support Group, 512th Aerospace Medicine Squadron and 512th AW staff agencies. Both events are at the base theater.

Inside the theater's lobby, the wing's Company Grade Officers Council will be hosting a SHOES drive, which stands for Support Havilah Orphanage Everyone Shares. Interested members can drop-off donated shoes, which will be donated to an African orphanage.

Nominate civilian boss for highest ESGR award

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve is accepting nominations for the 2010 Secretary of Defense Freedom Award until Jan. 17. The Freedom Award is the highest recognition given by the U.S. government to employers for their exceptional support of their Guard and Reserve employees. For online nominations, visit <http://www.freedomaward.mil>.

Craft show success fuels officer spouse club's goals

The Dover Officers' Spouses' Club annual craft show at the Delaware State Fairgrounds Nov. 6 featured 125 vendors, more than 3,800 attendees and about 100 volunteers.

The Scholarship and Welfare Committees are now tasked with giving all the raised money away. Military family members who are graduating seniors or continuing education students are eligible for the club's scholarship program. The application process for the scholarships will be announced in December.

The Welfare Committee will also be reviewing donation requests and recommending the requests to the Dover OSC Board, who then decides which contributions to fulfill. Welfare request forms can be found on the OSC Web site at www.doverosc.com.