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(Photo of the Month) Soldiers and Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers assigned to 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, march back to Freeman Hall, while carrying the U.S. and ROK flags during the 2ID/ RUCD Freeman Hall closure ceremony Oct. 16. (U.S. Army photo by KATUSA Pfc. Park, Seung Ho, 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



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CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Leaders from the 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division uncased battalion colors during a transfer of authority ceremony 1st ABCT, 3rd Infantry Division, at Camp Humphreys, Oct. 22, while the ABCT mascot, Pfc. Tank Chester, stands proud. The 3rd ABCT, 1st AD will serve as the rotational brigade under the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division. This marks the first time that 1AD Soldiers have deployed to Korea. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)

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LEADER'S CORNER



Warriors,

This is an extraordinary time for the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division as we begin a new chapter in our history. Last month we celebrated our 101st birthday of "Second to None" service in the midst of a historic move. We bid farewell to the City of Uijeongbu and Camp Red Cloud, where so much of our story was written and moved south of Seoul to our new Warrior Division headquarters on Camp Humphreys.

As we embark on our future at Camp Humphreys, it is right and just to pay the proper tribute to memorialize those whose footsteps we follow. With help from Gen. Brooks, Command Sgt. Maj. Barretto and I opened the 2ID/RUCD Regimental Walk and dedicated its first monument in honor of the 9th Infantry Regiment in front of the new Division Headquarters. A place to commemorate the Division's lineage, the Regimental Walk is a site where all Warriors – past and present – can visit and reflect on the bravery and courage of this Division.

As our Division embraces a season of change to the location of the new Freeman Hall, we need to prepare for the challenging and extremely cold weather that is quickly approaching. We must carry out all of the necessary preparation to safely ensure continued readiness throughout the cold winter months ahead. From individual to equipment preparedness, our readiness must not waiver.

As we transition to the holiday period, we want to ensure leaders and Soldiers are aware of available resources. The Behavioral Health Clinic has Military and Family Life Consultants, Embedded Behavioral Health Providers, the Substance Use Disorder Clinical Care Program, Family Behavioral Health Services, and the Family Advocacy Program. Facilities are located on Camp Humphreys at building #370 by the old PX, the TMC by Freedom Chapel, the Midtown Clinic near the new Shoppette, and the Warrior Behavioral Health Clinic at building #7315. Soldiers at Camp Casey can contact Behavioral Health in Building #802 or schedule appointments at the Camp Casey TMC. Soldiers maintain anonymity unless the Soldier poses a threat to self, others, or mission.

Let's keep after it! We must challenge ourselves with realistic training and know our Soldiers to ensure we are mentally and physically ready in all of the things we say we can do. Through these efforts, our NCO-run, Officer-led Division will continue to set the pace for others to follow.

Winning matters! Second to None!

Warrior 6



2ID Marksman Dominate EUSA 'Shoot'

INDIANHEAD



The 2d Infantry Division, Korea
Nov. 1, 1967

Colorful Ceremonies Mark Division's 50th Anniversary

"Fifty years and 8,000 miles from its birthplace, the 2d Infantry Division continues in the defense of our country's freedom. The times have changed, and the Division has changed repeatedly to fit the times. But changes in organization, equipment, and personnel have not altered the concept that has always been at the root of every mission the 2d Division has undertaken: the defense of the United States and her allies against aggression."

With these words Maj Gen Frank M. Izenour, CG, presided over the 50th Anniversary of the 2d Infantry Division's formation at Fort Benning, Ga., during a colorful Organizational Day Ceremony Oct 24-25. Chaplain (H. O.) Edward Carson delivered the invocation.

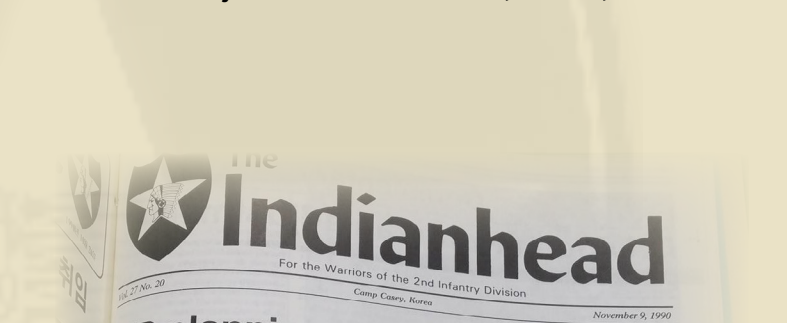
A formation of color bearers from each brigade, Division Artillery, Support Command, and each battalion-sized unit and guidon bearers from each company size unit formed in front of a background of support weapons available to the Division.

Police Chief Song Che Kun of Paju County received a Letter of Appreciation from Maj Gen Frank M. Izenour, Division CG, for his efforts to improve cooperation between the Division and Korean National Police. Song is assuming a new position in Wonsu.

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2ID planning for quick evacuation

Noncombatants should bring their NEO packets with them. Their NEO packets should include: identification cards, passports, immunization records, emergency payment forms, change of address cards, marriage and birth certificates, inventory of household goods, NEO data card, automobile claim paperwork, safe arrival cards and wills.

"The main purpose of the exercise is to verify that all noncombatants know what to do in case of an emergency and to ensure that they all can be evacuated quickly and safely," said Maj. Jim Costas, Installation. "We're going to ensure people have all their documents in order and receive any assistance necessary."

"Participation by all noncombatants is critical to the successful exercise of our evacuation procedures."

If noncombatants are missing documents or don't have a NEO packet, they should contact the unit before the exercise.

According to Costas, every document in the packet is important.

"These are the documents that people need to get out of the country and get reimbursed for any personal items they leave behind. The NEO packets in the packet could very well improve the combat-readiness of the soldiers by informing them that their loved ones are safe."

During the briefing, noncombatants will receive a short class on what would happen during a real crisis.

"There are many things that can happen during an emergency that noncombatants should be aware of."

Part of getting ready for the 100 days of duty in the Demilitarized Zone for 1st Battalion, 50th Infantry is weapon qualification. Not just M16 and M60s; all weapons the unit will employ if needed.

One weapon the soldiers from the battalion are testing their expertise on is the 60mm Mortar.

They set up at Story Impact Range, just north of Warrior Base. The range is little more than a cleared space in the middle of several rice fields with the impact area over the valley on a hill. Due to the danger, extra safety precautions must be taken.

"This range is difficult to fire on because of the Korean farmers around here," said Sgt. Bruce Murtha, Ammunition NCO for the battalion. "It's the harvest season now, so the farmers are all out here bringing in their rice crops."

The range was run under the supervision of Sgt. 1st Class Thomas L. Burt, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 81mm Mortar Platoon Sergeant for the battalion, had initially set up six guns. Due to a malfunction, one was taken off the line. This gave soldiers more (See Mortar page 8)

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Mortarmen blast Story Impact Area

Story and photos by Spec. Tim A. Herfendal, Indianapolis associate editor

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WARRIORS ON THE STREET

"What do you like about your installation?"



Sgt. Debra Beltran

*602D ASB, 2CAB, 91B
Ocala, Florida*

"Being thousands of miles from the United States, I didn't know what to expect, but to my surprise Camp Humphreys is filled with Hispanics who influence businesses, on and off post, with their music and culture."

"My favorite on post location is the Flight Line, near the walk-in gate, which offers Latin night and allows different cultures to enjoy salsa."



Spc. Hannah R. Garden

*HHC, STB, 2SBDE, 35F
Long Beach, California*

"I like how everything on Camp Carroll is easily accessible to Soldiers within walking distance."

"We have a PX, commissary, gym, CAC center and pretty much everything else any other base provides, but all accessible to us without relying on vehicles to get around."



Pfc. Andrew Alvarez

*210FAB, 14G
Toledo, Ohio*

"I like Camp Casey because of how easy it is to navigate on post compared to Camp Humphreys."

"I like the command climate up here because leaders are very helpful and approachable."

"I love Korea because the people here are wonderful and polite."



Spc. Danny Gonzalez

*HHC, 3ABCT, 1AD, 42A
San Diego, California*

"What I enjoy the most about Camp Humphreys is the food."

"Being able to enjoy food from the host nation is amazing and full of rich flavors."

"I also enjoy the scenery of this country, it's beautiful."

ASK THE DOC

The winter season is upon us, and it is best to be as prepared as possible for the upcoming extreme cold weather that we've come to expect in Korea. Here are a few tips to keep you prepared this winter:

- Stay Dry
- Cover your head
- Wear wool socks – NOT cotton
- Zip and/or button your coats all the way
- Listen to the AFN weather forecast
- Wind increases cold weather effects, so avoid windy areas.
- Be extra careful if you've previously had a cold weather injury, as you are more susceptible to a recurrence.

Cold weather injuries are serious, but preventable. Examples of cold weather injuries include frost nip, frostbite, and hypothermia. The best protection is to know what the weather will be, dress appropriately, stay dry, and avoid windy areas.

Talk with your local medical provider for questions or concerns about cold weather injury protection. Have a general question? Inbox the 2ID Facebook page to "ask the Doc."



Lt. Col. N. I. Okpokwasili, DO, MS, family medicine physician, 2ID/RUCD Surgeon, originally from Harlem, New York provides cold weather safety tips in preparation for winter. (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Micah Van Dyke, 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)

COMBINED, SECOND TO



Sergeants Major throughout 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division stand with guest speaker, Command Sgt. Maj. Richard E. Merritt, Lucasville, Ohio native, and Eighth United States Army CSM, during the 101st Anniversary Ball at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.



Guest speaker, Command Sgt. Maj. Richard E. Merritt, a native of Lucasville, Ohio, and Eighth United States Army CSM, speaks to the audience members about the relevance of second to none leadership during the 101st Anniversary Ball at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.



The 3rd Republic of Korea Army Taekwondo Team performs a Taekwondo demonstration, showing members throughout 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, the Korean martial art, which combines self-defense and combat skills, during the 101st Anniversary Ball at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.



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SUWON, Republic of Korea – Decades of proud history and decorated leadership resonated with those in attendance, inspiring pride and esprit de corps to those who have donned the Indianhead patch, both past, and present.

The 2nd Infantry Division 101st Anniversary Ball commemorated more than a century of combined heritage and rich history at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.

In opening remarks, Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, and commanding general, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, highlighted the significance of the celebration.

"Today, we celebrate 101 years of our division being combined with other services around us, combined with Marines in Haute Marne, France during World War I, to our current partnership with the Republic of Korea Army," said McKean. "We have 60 ROK Army officers as part of our division staff and more than 2,000 KATUSAs (Korean Augmentations to the United States Army) serving in our ranks, making our division both lethal and effective in defending the Republic of Korea."

The Warrior Division's prestigious lineage boasts 40 Medal of Honor recipients and more than 20 campaign participation credits since its organization on Oct. 26, 1917 at Bourmont, Haute Marne, France during World War I. This marked the only time U.S. Marine Corps generals commanded an Army division in U.S. military history.

The division moved to Ireland during World War II as part of Operation Overlord, the Normandy invasion. During the Korean War, 2ID was the first

SECOND TO NONE FOR 101 YEARS



The evening's host, Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, and commanding general, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, stands with Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, and 2ID/RUCD CSM, during the 2ID 101st Anniversary Ball opening ceremony at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.



Members of the color guard hold the colors prior to the commencement of the 2nd Infantry Division's 101st Anniversary Ball at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25. The color guard consisted of 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division Soldiers, Republic of Korea Army Soldiers, and members of Marine Forces-Korea, representing and celebrating 101 proud years of combined and second to none history.

unit to reach Korea directly from the United States. The division trained and integrated ROK forces into their ranks, a partnership that was further solidified in 2015 with the activation of 2ID/RUCD.

Col. (R) William M. Alexander, Barnesville, Georgia native, and 2nd Infantry Division Association president, paid tribute to two great Warriors lost this year: Gen. (R) John N. Abrams, a native of Cumberland, Maine, and former commanding general, 2ID; and Lt. Gen. (R) Thomas S. Vandal, Rhode Island native, and former commanding general of both 2ID and Eighth Army-Korea.

"The second focus is on our division campaign theme of being an officer-led, NCO-run organization," said McKean. "We are fortunate enough to have Command Sgt. Maj. Richard E. Merritt as our guest speaker. He is the embodiment of what a NCO should be and after 35 years of service, this is his final official Army event so we are going to honor him tonight."

Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, and 2ID/RUCD sergeant major, introduced Command Sgt. Maj. Richard E. Merritt, Lucasville, Ohio native, and Eighth United States Army-Korea sergeant major, who highlighted the division's history in Korea and emphasized the importance of quality leadership.

"The standards you set today are the standards Army leaders of tomorrow will live by," said Merritt. "Your discipline ensures 2nd Infantry Division is always set and ready."

Merritt received a golden tomahawk for outstanding leadership, support and dedication to the Warrior Division.

As the ceremony drew to it's close, members of 2ID/RUCD were left with the proud memory of Warriors from the past and present that continue to pave the Indianhead legacy for decades to come.



Local musicians play a traditional Korean drum segment to honor long-standing history and partnership between the Republic of Korea and United States during the 101st Anniversary Ball at La Vie D'or Resort and Country Club Oct. 25.



Leaders from the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, case their battalion colors during a transfer of authority ceremony with 3rd ABCT, 1st Armored Division at Camp Humphreys, Oct. 22. The 3rd ABCT, 1st AD will serve as the rotational brigade under the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division. This marks the first time that 1AD Soldiers have deployed to Korea.

1ST ARMORED DIVISION BRIGADE ASSUMES 2ID ROTATION MISSION



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CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – The 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division assumed responsibility as the rotational armored brigade combat team in Korea during a transfer of authority (TOA) ceremony on Oct. 22.

Soldiers from the “Bulldog” brigade began arriving here in late September to begin their nine-month rotation. Bulldog Soldiers replaced the Raider Soldiers of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, who completed their first ever rotation to Korea after U.S. armored brigades began rotating on the Korean peninsula June 2015.

Hosted by Maj. Gen. Scott McKean, a San Jose, California native, commander of 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, the TOA ceremony completed the mission hand-off between the two armored BCTs.

“Over the last nine months, the Raider brigade from the great Rock of the Marne division, served with honor and distinction,” said McKean. “During their rotation they furthered interoperability with our ROK partners and demonstrated their Soldiers toughness throughout.”

“Raiders, you should be proud of all you’ve accomplished. Our Army is better because of all of your efforts. You are second to none,” he added.

The deployment marked an historic return of 3rd ID Soldiers to the Republic of Korea. This was the first time that Rock of the Marne troops have served in the

ROK since fighting throughout the Korean War.

“At Fort Stewart, our battalions are all within walking distance of each other. Here we were split between Camp Humphreys, Camp Casey-Hovey and Rodriguez Live Fire Range with the world’s fifth largest metropolitan area in the middle,” said Col. Mike Adams, commander, 1st ABCT. “Our Soldiers trained and competed in everything they could across Korea.”

He also mentioned that some Raider troops represented 2ID/RUCD at the Sullivan Cup, competed in the military intelligence and best medic competitions, and qualified expert on all weapons platforms.

This will be a new mission for the Bulldog brigade and 1st AD as a whole. Nearly 10 Army units have completed rotations to the Republic of Korea since 2013, including armored brigades and various battalions. Brigade rotations began after the Army deactivated 2ID/RUCD’s organic brigade, the 1st “Iron” Brigade, in 2015.

“Our mission here in the Pacific is remarkable in the regard that it’s the first time a 1st Armored Division unit will conduct operations on the Korean Peninsula,” said Col. Marc A. Cloutier, a Marlborough, Connecticut native, commander, 3rd ABCT. “Many thanks to our new division leadership, the 2nd Infantry Division. We are certainly honored to become part of your storied legacy, Second to None!”

During their time in the ROK, the Bulldog Brigade will support the 2ID/RUCD in maintaining peace on the Peninsula.

“We look forward to building on Raider Brigade’s superb work they’ve done here. We are particularly excited to establish strong relationships with our Republic of Korea partners, and we know that our efforts will have a significant impact here in your country,” concluded Cloutier.

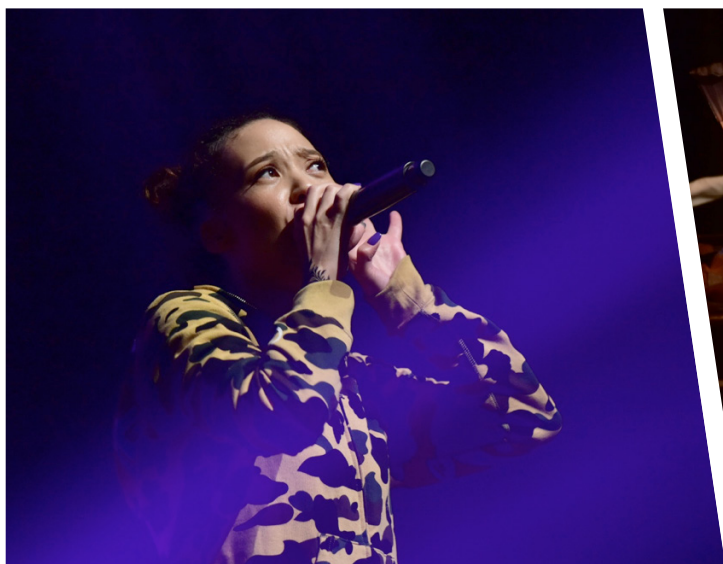


(Above) Col. Mike Adams, commander, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, Maj. Gen. Scott McKean, commander, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, and Col. Marc A. Cloutier, commander, 3rd ABCT, 1st Armored Division, render honors during a transfer of authority ceremony at Camp Humphreys, Oct. 22.

(Right) Pfc. Tank Chester, 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division's mascot, is the Bulldog Brigade's ninth mascot since World War II. Each mascot before Tank began their Army career as a private sharing the last name of Chester with unique first names.

(Below) Maj. Gen. Scott McKean, a San Jose, California native, commander, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, and Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, 2ID/RUCD CSM, and Aiea, Hawaii native, place a streamer on the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, brigade colors during a transfer of authority ceremony with 3rd ABCT, 1st Armored Division at Camp Humphreys, Oct. 22.





CONCERT CELEBRATES 2ID BASE TENURE, NEVER-ENDING FRIENDSHIP



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(left) Yoon Mi-Rae, a native of Fort Hood, Texas, and K-Pop music artist, performs her hit song “Black Happiness” during the Uijeongbu City Friendship and Respect Concert commemorating the long-standing partnership at the Arts Center Oct. 15. Yoon recalled being raised on Camp Red Cloud while her father was in the service.

(right) The Uijeongbu City Dance Team performs a traditional Korean fan dance called “Buch-chum” during the Uijeongbu City Friendship and Respect Concert to honor the long-standing partnership at the Arts Center Oct. 15.

UIJEONGBU, Republic of Korea – At the wake of relocation efforts, the Warriors took a brief recess to reminisce the rich history they have shared with the City of Uijeongbu since the end of the Korean War.

Members of the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division attended the Uijeongbu City Friendship and Respect Concert commemorating the long-standing partnership at the Arts Center Oct. 15.

More than 200 local citizens, ROK and U.S. Soldiers and family members attended the event where they were greeted by art depicting 2ID in Uijeongbu since 1965, resonating the evening’s theme, “we are lasting friends.”

Guest speaker, Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, and 2ID/RUCD commanding general, recalled arriving to Camp Red Cloud for the first time as a young officer.

“Our relationship has grown over the years,” said McKean. “I was fortunate in 1995 to come to the City of Uijeongbu to start this relationship that continues today.”

Uijeongbu Mayor Ahn, Byung-Yong presented a plaque of appreciation to McKean on behalf of the local citizens for his devotion to freedom in Korea.

“Looking back on Uijeongbu history, your elder Soldiers fought with

us when Korea was in danger during the Korean War to protect peace and freedom,” said Ahn. “Today’s concert prepared at the time of 2ID’s relocation, is for remembering the history of friendship and peace with 2ID, and as a token of gratitude and respect on 2ID’s farewell.”

The concert presented a fusion of local, cultural and contemporary performances, and featured artists such as Tiger JK and Yoon Mi-Rae.

Yoon Mi-Rae, a native of Fort Hood, Texas, and K-Pop music artist, recalled being raised in Uijeongbu while her father was in the service. “I felt very comfortable growing up on Camp Red Cloud,” said Yoon. “As someone who is half Korean and half African American, the diversity on the base helped me find my identity.”

The festive occasion marked the close of one chapter in history and the start of a new one for both the Warrior Division and Uijeongbu City. The storied division is in transition to a new headquarters building 60 miles south in Pyeongtaek, while Uijeongbu ventures into expanding their businesses.

In his remarks, McKean extended gratitude to Mayor Ahn and the citizens of Uijeongbu for taking care of 2ID Soldiers for the past 53 years of their stay in Uijeongbu.

“Soldiers come to Korea to do their duty, to stand by and keep readiness, to secure the Korean Peninsula with our great ROK-U.S. alliance,” said McKean. “We are so grateful for everything that citizens of Uijeongbu have shown us and we will never forget them as we will always cherish the memories that we’ve shared together.”

Warrior Chapel Decommissioned during Solemn Ceremony



(Above) The Camp Red Cloud community, together with members from U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, USAG Camp Humphreys, and 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, pose in front of the Warrior Chapel signifying the final closing of the chapel doors Oct. 21.



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CAMP RED CLOUD, Republic of Korea – Following the Korean War in 1953, chaplains transformed the tent version of the chapel to a stone brick edifice the Warrior community bid farewell to today.

The Camp Red Cloud community, together with members from U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, U.S. Army Garrison Camp Humphreys, and 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, decommissioned the Warrior Chapel with honor during a ceremony signifying the final closing of the chapel doors Oct. 21.

Since its origin in 1952, when Camp Red Cloud was known as Camp Jackson, the chapel provided a sanctuary where thousands of Soldiers, civilians, and family members received spiritual guidance through worship services.

In opening remarks, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Kim, Moon, Seoul native, and U.S. Army Garrison Camp Humphreys command chaplain, recalled serving the Warrior Division in 2016 as 2ID/RUCD command chaplain and remains optimistic.

“Warrior Chapel is not really closing, but moving to Camp Humphreys,” said Kim, Moon. “I’m kind of excited in a way because most of the Soldiers will go to Humphreys and I will continue to serve them there.”

Chaplain (Capt.) Steve Love, Edwardsville, Illinois native, and Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 2ID/RUCD spiritual leader, spoke of his feelings about the Warrior Chapel closing its doors.

“The Warrior Chapel served military members and their families more than 66 years, and will continue serving the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division community from its new home on Camp Humphreys,” said Love. “Camp Humphreys has four chapels, including the Warrior Chapel, with a large variety of services in support of the spiritual wellness of its diverse community.”

Love’s comments were followed by U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan Command Sgt. Maj. Donald R. Robertson, a native of Monroe, Georgia, who highlighted the volunteers who devoted countless hours of service to the community.

Amongst those recognized was Mr. Kim, Ki Ye, a native of North Korea who at age 19, escaped during the Korean War by ship with the help of a U.S. Soldier who persuaded ROK Soldiers not to leave Kim behind because he would surely die. Mr. Kim, Ki dedicated 32 years of volunteer service to the Warrior Chapel as an organist.

“If the American Soldier had not helped me, I wouldn’t have freedom today,” said Mr. Kim, Ki. “I sincerely appreciate the U.S. Soldiers, sacrificing themselves for our



Members of the community gather at the Warrior Chapel for the final service before the chapel closes its doors during the decommissioning ceremony Oct. 21.



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Won, Sang Joon, Seoul native, and U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan command chaplain, presents Mr. Kim, Ki Ye, with a plaque in recognition of more than 32 years of dedicated volunteer service to Warrior Chapel as an organist during the decommissioning ceremony Oct. 21. country, and volunteering at the Warrior Chapel was a way to show gratitude.”

The newly relocated Warrior Chapel is building 6800 on Camp Humphreys. In keeping with 2ID/RUCD tradition, it offers the finest spiritual services. Meanwhile, 2ID/RUCD is in the process of returning Camp Red Cloud to the Korean government as a part of the transformation plan.



2ID MUSEUM MOVES AFT

The 2nd Infantry Division museum was at Camp Red Cloud for the past 25 years. The staff tallied that approximately 750 thousand people visited during that span with roughly 30 thousand per year.

The museum had more than a thousand artifacts on display. Col. (retired) William M. Alexander, Barnesville, Georgia native, and 2nd Infantry Division Museum director, said his favorite artifact in the museum's collection is the actual Medal of Honor belonging to Sgt. 1st Class William Sitman.

Sgt. 1st Class William S. Sitman, native of Bellwood, Pa., assigned to M Company, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his valiant actions on February 14, 1951 during the Korean War.

The oldest piece on display was the Liscum Bowl, which is temporarily on display at the 4th Infantry Division Museum, Fort Carson, Colorado. The most unique item is the 2ID patch that command pilot Michael Collins wore during the Apollo 11 mission, the first lunar landing in history.

"We expect to have many new pieces in the 8th Army gallery, which will showcase the helmet worn by Gen. James VanFleet," said Alexander.

The projected grand opening of the new museum is 2022.



TER 25 YEARS

(Photos by Pfc. Park, Seung Ho and Mr. Pak, Chin-U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)





FREEMAN HALL CLOSURE CEREMONY MARKS FINAL 2ID MILESTONE AT CRC



STORY BY
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Soldiers assigned to 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, unhook the U.S. flag during the 2ID/RUCD's Freeman Hall closure ceremony Oct. 16. The 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division's Freeman Hall closure ceremony marked the beginning of the final steps in the Warrior Division's transition to Camp Humphreys. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



A Soldier assigned to 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division fires the cannon at the start of the Army ceremonial evening song, "To the Colors" during the 2ID/RUCD's Freeman Hall closure ceremony Oct. 16. (U.S. Army photo by KATUSA Pfc. Park, Seung Ho, 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



Lt. Col. Hyeon-Joong "Mike" Kim, a Seoul, Republic of Korea native and division chaplain, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, says a prayer during the 2ID/RUCD's Freeman Hall closure ceremony Oct. 16. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)

CAMP RED CLOUD, Republic of Korea – As the sun set behind the mountains in Uijeongbu, at precisely 5 p.m. local time, the thunderous boom from the cannon fired. This signified the end of the duty day and an era lasting more than 50 years.

The 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division's Freeman Hall closure ceremony Oct. 16, marked the beginning of the final steps in the Warrior Division's transition to Camp Humphreys.

Local leadership, including Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, 2ID/RUCD, and Aiea, Hawaii native, attended the ceremony and listened to a somber prayer from the division chaplain.

"We offer thanks for the past and present U.S. and ROK military members and their families who have served here at Freeman Hall and Camp Red Cloud with distinction," said Lt. Col. Hyeon-Joong "Mike" Kim, a Seoul, Republic of Korea native, and the 2ID/RUCD division chaplain.

"For many decades, Freeman Hall, the headquarters building of the mighty 2nd Infantry Division, has been the symbol of keeping peace and freedom in Korea. Freeman Hall at CRC has fulfilled its tasks and missions proudly," said Kim.

One of the guests in attendance was Mr. Paul C. Hubbard, acting director for transformation and base closure, U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan/Casey. He spoke

after the ceremony about the process and reasoning behind the camp closure.

"Consolidating all of our efforts down at USAG Humphreys helps to limit the cost associated with ensuring the U.S./ROK alliance is met," said Hubbard.

"It's a bittersweet moment in closing Camp Red Cloud; bitter in the fact that we definitely enjoy working with ROK and providing support best we can to ensure peace, but it's sweet knowing the fact that we're closing it and returning the land to the ROK, so they can utilize this space and enjoy it as much as we have," concluded Hubbard.

The 2ID/RUCD CSM spoke about what it means to him observing this ceremony.

"The closure of Camp Red Cloud is a significant event, especially being part of the command team that's closing this base down. At times it's sad with leaving the city of Uijeongbu," said Barretto. "To be the last command team to shut down Camp Red Cloud is a monumental time to be here. I'm proud to be part of this command team, that we can give back Camp Red Cloud to the ROK government."

"But we have to look forward to the Pyeongtaek area and the opening of the new 2ID/RUCD headquarters. It's been sad at some points, but it's refreshing where the Army is moving. We're moving south to Camp Humphreys," concluded Barretto.

2ID REGIMENTAL WALK, A NEW CHAPTER



From left to right, Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division sergeant major, Command Sgt. Maj. Steven L. Payton, Grenada, Mississippi native, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea sergeant major, Gen. Vincent K. Brooks, Anchorage, Alaska native, commanding general, UNC/CFC/USFK, Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, commanding general, 2ID/RUCD, and Col. (R) William M. Alexander, Barnesville, Georgia native, 2nd Infantry Division Museum director, present the 9th Infantry Regiment stone marker after breaking the ground with golden shovels, officially dedicating the 2ID Regimental Walk during a ceremony at the new division headquarters Nov. 5. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



STORY BY
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CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – The 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division hosted a Regimental Walk Dedication Ceremony at the new division headquarters Nov. 5.

The ceremony marked the start of a development plan, which includes the 2ID Regimental Walk, dedicated to units that served with the Warrior Division, and the future 2ID Museum set to open in 2022.

In opening remarks, Col. (retired) William M. Alexander, Barnesville, Georgia native and 2nd Infantry Division Museum director, highlighted the relevance of the first regimental stone marker unveiled during the ceremony.

“Today, we formally open the 2nd Infantry Division Regimental Walk, this area will remind our present-day Warriors and their families of the many regiments and units that have been part of our 101-year history,” said Alexander. “We especially remember the 9th Infantry Regiment, our oldest regiment, the Manchus, originally formed in 1798.”

Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native and commanding general, 2ID/RUCD, and Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native and 2ID/RUCD sergeant major, revealed the official 2ID Regimental Walk post.

“We have a vision for how to commemorate our lineage, a place for all Warriors, past and present, to come and visit a site that honors the bravery and courage of this division, much like we did at Camp Red Cloud,” said McKean. “I believe that before embarking on our future here on Camp Humphreys, it is right and just to pay the proper tribute and memorialize those whose footsteps we follow.”

In dedicating the 9th Infantry Regimental stone marker, Warriors looked to pay tribute to a former commander of 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry (Manchu) Regiment, Gen. Vincent K. Brooks.

“The first regiment assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division in the hell of the first World War was the 9th Infantry Regiment,” said McKean. “What would be more fitting than to have the senior Manchu on active duty who commanded a Manchu Battalion here in 2ID, set forth our new path?”

Brooks, an Anchorage, Alaska native and commanding general, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Force Korea, unveiled the 9th Infantry Regiment stone marker. Distinguished leaders broke the ground with golden shovels, officially dedicating the 2ID Regimental Walk and honoring the Manchu Battalion.

Brooks recalled his lineage with the Warrior Division dating back to his childhood.

“I was born in the 23rd Infantry Regiment, which was the second regiment to join the great 2nd Infantry Division, as my father was serving as a company executive officer in Alaska, where some of the battle groups were at that time just two years returning from the armistice in the Korean War,” said Brooks. “This is my family this is my origin.”

Brooks commended the Warrior Division for creating the 2ID Regimental Walk, a place of remembrance.

“This helps us demonstrate our connection to the past,” said Brooks. “I’m looking forward to seeing all the stones of all the regiments who have ever served with the 2nd Infantry Division over time. I’m greatly honored to have pulled the cover off of the first one,” added Brooks.

The Warrior Division continues their journey on Camp Humphreys with the official opening of their new headquarters on Tuesday, Nov. 20, at 10 a.m.



(Above) Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, and commanding general, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division and Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, and 2ID/RUCD sergeant major, revealed the official 2ID Regimental Walk post, S6409, located at the construction area in front of the new division headquarters. The 2ID/RUCD unveiled its first regimental marker, the 9th Infantry (Manchu) Regiment, signifying the first regiment to be assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division in World War I, during the 2ID Regimental Walk Ceremony Nov. 5. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)

(Above) From left to right, Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division sergeant major, Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, commanding general, 2ID/RUCD, Gen. Vincent K. Brooks, Anchorage, Alaska native, commanding general, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Force Korea, Command Sgt. Maj. Steven L. Payton, Grenada, Mississippi native, UNC/CFC/USFK sergeant major, Col. (retired) William M. Alexander, Barnesville, Georgia native, 2nd Infantry Division Museum director break the ground prior to the unveiling of the 9th Infantry Regiment stone marker during the 2ID Regimental Walk Ceremony at the new division headquarters Nov. 5. The 2ID Regimental Walk will be a place for Warriors, past and present, to commemorate the 2nd Infantry Division lineage. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



'TASK FORCE BULLDOG' KICKS OFF WALK TO KOREA



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FORT BLISS, Texas – In honor of Military Family Month, Soldiers and Families of Task Force Bulldog, 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team “Bulldog,” 1st Armored Division kicked off their Walk to Korea at Biggs Park Nov. 3.

The Walk to Korea initiative figuratively showed Soldiers deployed to the Republic of Korea that their stateside family and peers are with them every step of the way.

“The purpose of this event is to symbolize us joining the Soldiers in Korea through our walk here today, symbolizing how the families back here, at Fort Bliss, are joining the Soldiers symbolically in Korea right now,” said Capt. Daniel Jowdy, operations officer, Task Force Bulldog, 3rd ABCT, 1st AD. “The Soldiers in Korea will be conducting this event as well. It’s really just showing the unity between the rear forces here and the forces forward in Korea, as well as bringing the families together.”

Jowdy and his wife Leilani, family readiness group leader with Task Force Bulldog, are active supporters of Bulldog Brigade’s family readiness program designed to show Soldiers overseas that even though they are gone, they are not forgotten.

“It shows we support them (Soldiers deployed to the Republic of Korea) and we’re thinking about them even though they’re overseas,” said Leilani.

The “Walk to...” series is not a new occurrence in the Army. It’s an initiative that has been very successful for seasoned Army families that have lived through deployments in the past.

“We’ve done several Walks to Afghanistan and several Walks to Iraq and it’s always turned out great,” said Karen Cloutier, a senior family readiness advisor for 3rd ABCT, 1st AD. “What’s great about it is it’s an event that can tie-in families that are not here as well as unite families that are here so they can get together to do monthly walks and monthly activities.”

Diana Oliver, also a senior family readiness advisor for 3rd ABCT, 1st AD, echoed Cloutier’s sentiments.

“I feel like it shows that we’re here for them (families),” said Oliver. “It’s a level of support offering us time to get together. It kind of shows that we are one big family.”

Task Force Bulldog, is a rear-detachment element of Bulldog Brigade designed to maintain operations at home-station, and to ensure Soldiers families are offered support throughout Bulldog Brigade’s deployment to the Republic of Korea.

“We try to take every opportunity to give families the opportunity to socialize together so they do not feel like they are by themselves as they raise children, as they go to school, as they continue on their daily lives,” said Maj. Gary Flowers II, commander of Task Force Bulldog.

The Task Force Bulldog FRGs are planning several other events to afford families of deployed Soldiers the opportunity to interact and strengthen the support network between each other.

“We have a ‘Half-way Home Party,’ which is like a ball for the spouses; and we’re also putting together a ‘Spouse’s Challenge,’ where teams of spouses from the different battalions will get to compete against each other in a fun event,” said Flowers II. “We’ve got a lot of things coming up and we want to inspire all of the family members to come out and take part in these events because the more we’re together as a Bulldog family, the stronger we are as a unit.”



Families and Soldiers of Task Force Bulldog, 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team “Bulldog,” 1st Armored Division gather at Biggs Park Nov. 3 for the Walk to Korea Kick Off to show their Soldiers deployed to the Republic of Korea, in support of 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division, they are with them every step of the way.

'ON THE MINUTE' SOLDIER KNOCKS OUTS COMPETITION



STORY BY
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CAMP CASEY, Republic of Korea – Growing up idolizing boxing icons and keeping his mind in the ring, instead of city streets, led him into a new arena – the U.S. Army.

Private 1st Class Patrick Willingham, a Chicago native and fire control specialist, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment, 210th Field Artillery Brigade, won the 123-lbs weight class during the All-Army Boxing Tournament at Fort Huachuca, Arizona Sept. 29.

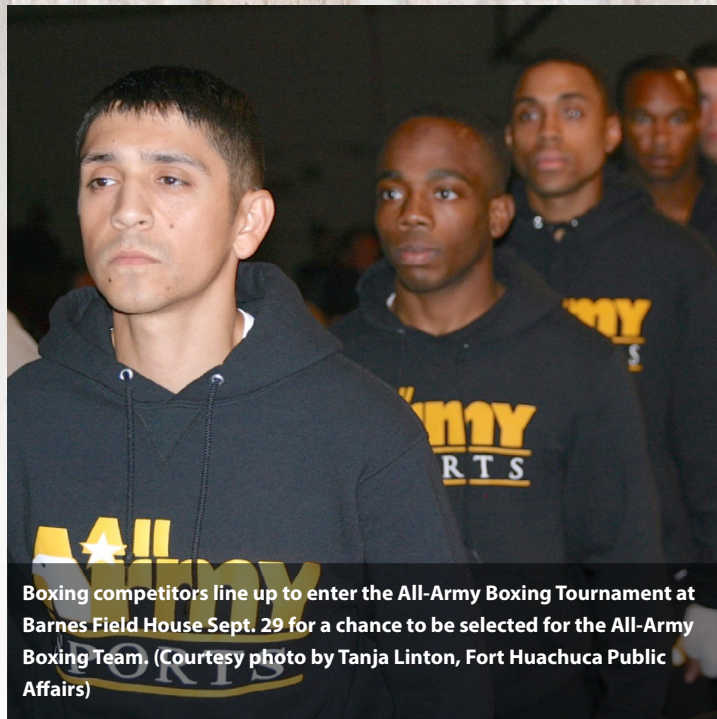
Willingham defeated three-time All-Army Boxing Team qualifier, Staff Sgt. Francisco Cancino, a San Antonio native and combat medic, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Beaumont Army Medical Center, in a unanimous 5-0 decision.

Being passionate about boxing and training from an early age contributed to Willingham's success.

"I started boxing when I was in grade school at a local boxing gym just to have something to do after school to stay out of trouble," said Willingham. "Nowadays, when I box, I feel the freedom of doing what I enjoy, focus on getting better and winning."

The All-Army Boxing Camp was held at Fort Huachuca and is where Soldiers try out for the All-Army Boxing Team.

"While at boxing camp, the coaches told us that winning every match did not necessarily mean that we would be selected to compete in the All-Army Boxing National Tournament," Willingham recalls. "I thought I would get selected because I had won all



Boxing competitors line up to enter the All-Army Boxing Tournament at Barnes Field House Sept. 29 for a chance to be selected for the All-Army Boxing Team. (Courtesy photo by Tanja Linton, Fort Huachuca Public Affairs)



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my matches and heard positive feedback on each of my fights."

Willingham mentioned "taking a break" from boxing while in high school to pursue football but got back into it once he joined the Army. Expert coaching led to a win during his first match in the tournament.

"In the first fight of the tournament, I was anxious and didn't know how I was going to step into the ring at the start of the fight, but my coach told me to meet my opponent in the middle of the ring," said Willingham. "After taking that first punch, everything starting coming back to me and kind of fell into place because I was able to anticipate punches and land more than my opponent, which is why I ended up winning the fight."

Willingham's supervisor, Sgt. Mark W. Robinson, originally from Harlem, and a fire support specialist with 6-37th FAR, 210th FAB, noted the high level of motivation and ambition Willingham brings from the ring into his section at work.

"Willingham has that winner mindset and he always pushes other Soldiers to do better and be better at their jobs," said Robinson. "He motivates me, whenever we're doing PT (physical training) or hitting the punching bag in the gym. He's always telling me to keep pushing."

Willingham attributes applying the 'Warrior Ethos' to his success as a boxer. "I refused to accept defeat" in the championship round against Cancino because in order to fight amongst the best, you have to beat the best."

BOSS



TEAM LION UP WINS U.S. ARMY PACIFIC BOSS STRONG COMPETITION



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CAMP HUMPRHEYS, Republic of Korea – There's strong, there's Army strong and then there's BOSS strong.

The U.S. Army's BOSS, also known as Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program is preparing to hold its BOSS Strong Challenge at Fort Bragg, North Carolina during November. The purpose of this challenge is to test the overall fitness of single soldiers and geographical bachelors, demonstrating what the BOSS program can provide for them around U.S. Army installations worldwide.

From Aug. 6 to Sept. 30, Team "Lion Up" of the 23rd Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear "Lion" Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, pushed their physical limits and tested their teamwork to ultimately be announced the 2018 U.S. Army Installation Management Command Pacific BOSS Strong

Competition winners Oct. 8 at Camp Humphreys.

Team Lion Up consisted of 1st Lt. Darren Singh, a Fremont, California native; 2nd Lt. Eric Torbellin, a Dallas, native; Sgt. First Class Navil Heredia, a Bronx, New York native; Sgt. First Class Mathew Pursur, a Voca, Texas native; Spc. Seyed Hashemi, a Dallas native, and Pvt. Nicole Pullon, a Romeoville, Illinois native.

For these Soldiers, commitment to improving their fitness was a common factor as each Soldier took time to prepare for the competition in their own way.

"I cycled more than 35 miles a day for a total of 1,777 miles, as well as swimming every day for a total of 32 miles. I averaged 1,200 meters per swimming session," said Heredia, a CBRN specialist. "As a result my overall health significantly improved, and I felt better about life all together."

Hashemi, a CBRN specialist, followed a similar workout routine focusing on core, strength and cardio with lifting weights, bicycling, and running.

"I always start with research and planning. I believe it's the important part," Hashemi said. "After understanding the mission and setting standards and goals for myself and my team, I started to



Team "Lion Up" of the 23rd Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear "Lion" Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, perform community service in the local area of Pyeongtaek. This activity was part of the team's participation in the 2018 U.S. Army Installation Management Command Pacific BOSS Strong Competition.

work out hard while maintaining a healthy diet."

For eight weeks, the team overcame grueling physical challenges which were recorded on video and submitted to BOSS to gain extra points. Soldiers were also awarded points for body mass changes within the time frame.

In addition to performing the physical challenges, the team was given a Morale, Welfare and Recreation passport to learn new skills and bond through shared experiences during more than 40 MWR activities such as volunteering, arts and crafts, and hiking trails.

"I love facing challenges because they take you outside of your comfort zone and make you stronger. The experience, confidence and knowledge I gained from this competition was unique," Hashemi said. "The Outdoor Recreation waterski tour and Korean



Team "Lion Up" of the 23rd Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear "Lion" Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, pose for a picture after completing a Morale, Welfare and Recreation activity at the Camp Humphreys library. This activity was part of the team's participation in the 2018 U.S. Army Installation Management Command Pacific BOSS Strong Competition.

painting class were my favorites."

Whether it was through sports or learning how to live a healthy lifestyle, the competition improved the team's readiness and resiliency, and changed their outlook on what the BOSS program has to offer Soldiers.

"I felt the competition gave the unit and Soldiers a different perspective of the programs. It increased awareness of available programs and participation at all levels," Heredia said. "I enjoyed the opportunity to try new experiences, volunteer and have fun while improving my physical fitness."

Despite the challenge of managing workout schedules, work responsibilities and meeting necessary competition requirements,



Team "Lion Up" of the 23rd Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear "Lion" Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, pose for a picture in front of their battalion building. The team participated in the 2018 U.S. Army Installation Management Command Pacific BOSS Strong Competition.

the team pushed forward to meet their ultimate goal of winning.

"I made a lot of new friends, increased my fitness, developed my leadership, learned more about BOSS opportunities, and gained precious memories," Hashemi said. "Winning is the fruit of hard work, it confirmed that we did a great job and I am really excited."

Unfortunately, the Lion Up team will not compete at the top level at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. One team member cannot attend the competition so they will have to send a substitute team to keep team integrity.

True to form, the Lion Up team said they will maintain their motivation and cherish the moments they experienced from this competition while relishing their recent win.

"It felt awesome to win, but just showing up to the competition, you already won," Heredia said. "It felt great setting the example by doing healthy activities and having fun while supporting the local community. I am a better person because of it."

To the new team headed to Fort Bragg, and for future participants, Hashemi and Heredia said to believe in yourself, never give up, and Lion Up.



DRAGON, THUNDER BRIGADES COMBINE TRAINING: INCREASE AIR DEFENSE



Staff Sgt. Gilberto Ramirez, Staff Sgt. Kevin Macadam and Staff Sgt. Ryan Ahern evaluate Spc. Natalia Nattress and Spc. Preston Pyle on Sentinel Radar Emplacement Table IV during a recent training event.



Spc. Matteau Tanner, Spc. Nickolas Cruz and Pfc. Kelvin Huynh operate the Sentinel Radar to detect targets and participate in Avenger training scenarios during a recent training event.



STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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Air defenders from The 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade maintain readiness through constant training.

E/6-52 Air Missile Defense (AMD) Battery from Camp Carroll recently conducted Avenger/Sentinel Table VIII Gunnery in conjunction with the 210th Field Artillery Brigade Air Defense and Airspace Management (ADAM) Cell at Rodriguez Range Complex. The training provided the battery the opportunity to continue to build Short-Range Air Defense (SHORAD) knowledge and capabilities.

Sentinel Radar Operators Spc. Matteau Tanner, Spc. Nickolas Cruz and Pfc. Kelvin Huynh said they use the radar to detect targets and participate in the Avenger training scenarios during the combined training event.

"This gives us a good opportunity to learn more about our job, and assist them (Avenger Crews) in qualifying," Pfc. Huynh said. "We also had the opportunity to see how 210 runs drills."

Capt. Norris Potter, Echo Battery Commander, said that this training offered them the ability to shoot more proficiently after every iteration and

to conduct comprehensive training.

"This was a great opportunity for us to be able to perform combined training on sentinel crew drills and radio connectivity," he said. "This is a way to rebuild and reconnect our partnership and evaluate each others crews."

Spc. Cruz said this was his first field training to see how the radar is actually implemented in the whole operation.

"We don't usually get this opportunity to train with a full scenario," Spc. Cruz said. "It is great training."

Spc. Tanner said that this type of training is a way of making sure they are always ready and proficient in their military specialty.

"It is essential that we are efficient and safe on march order and emplacement of the sentinel radar and shelter," he said.

The training event also allowed the opportunity for radar operators to be evaluated and qualify on their equipment.



11TH ENGINEERS VOLUNTEER AT REPUBLIC OF KOREA ORPHANAGE

(Top) Sgt. Robert Rankins, a Religious Affairs Specialist from Kent, Washington, and KATUSA Jaeyoon Ro from Daegu, Republic of Korea, 11th Engineer Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, entertain children at Jacob's Home Oct. 3.



STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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PYEONGTAEK, Republic of Korea – Behind a dirt mound, a construction site, and along a beaten trail, there is a haven made for local Korean orphans. Many of the children here were left on the steps of a church by parents incapable of caring for them.

Soldiers assigned to 11th Engineer Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, began volunteering at the Jacob's Home orphanage for the first time, Oct. 3.

Despite being in the orphanage, the children continue to smile and laugh. "There is so much joy inside of them and they just need a little attention," said Capt. Joseph Campbell, 11th Engineer Battalion chaplain and Erie, Pennsylvania native.

Caregivers provide love and support to all of the orphans. The caregivers do their best to make the children of Jacob's Home feel like they are a part of a family.

"The kids here are beautiful," Campbell said. "A lot of the kids have been abandoned and neglected. They are looking for love and affection from others."

During the engineers' visit, the older children met the Soldiers with mixed reactions. Some of the children looked at the Soldiers and then continued with their daily activities. Other children ran straight to them with books and toys ready to play.

"I have been to other orphanages in other places," said Korean Pfc. Jaeyoon Ro, a KATUSA from Daegu, Republic of Korea. "I was wondering how the kids would get along with us, but as soon as I stepped in the door, one of the kids came running straight to me. That was really good."

In another part of the orphanage, the other Soldier-volunteers held, cuddled, and bounced infant-aged children on their knees. They laughed with the babies, climbing up and down slides, while some of the other children entertained themselves by playing with their reflection.

Volunteers like Pfc. Kinaysha Rosario, a Caguas, Puerto Rico native, and supply specialist, said her heart was pounding with love as she held one of the baby boys in her lap.

Rosario also noticed how well the house moms took care of the kids.

"That's what I like about being here," Rosario said. "The way caregivers interact with the babies, you can tell they really care."

The caregivers and the children have a bond so strong that it's not unusual for the children to call their Jacob's Home employees, "mom."

"Running an orphanage like Jacob's Home is logistically complicated," said Euchon Kim, a Jacob's Home caregiver, and a Hwasung city, Republic of Korea



Soldiers assigned to the 11th Engineer Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, visit the local orphanage. Jacob's Home is the local orphanage near Camp Humphreys.

native. "I worked with the older kids for 13 years and realized a lot of them were not prepared when they came over to the school aged orphanage. I want to help the younger children so they can receive a good education before heading over to the school age orphanage."

When it was time for Campbell and the other Soldiers to leave, their impact was obvious. Some children begged them to stay while others had sullen expressions.

"Everyone enjoyed coming together to make someone's day a little brighter," Campbell said.

Campbell said he planned on visiting the orphanage twice a month. This is in addition to the visits from 3rd General Support Bn., 2nd Aviation Regiment, and 602nd Aviation Support Bn., both a part of 2nd CAB, headquartered at Camp Humphreys. Volunteering is an opportunity for the Soldiers to give back to the community.

"I'm glad we got to meet with the kids and play with them," Jaeyoon Ro said. "Also, I'm glad we got to help them with the cleaning. The experience was better than I expected. I think that if people come to Jacob's Home once, they will want to come again."

The battalion visited the orphanage for their second time Oct. 17 and will continue to join other Talon units as they support the orphanage.

SUNCHEON BAY WETLAND RESERVE

The mid-October sun had just begun to set when our group, comprised of about 50 U.S. service members from all branches, arrived at the Suncheon Bay Wetland Reserve. We had spent most of the day on our feet, walking through some of Korea's most beautiful gardens. Comfortable walking clothes were a must. Despite any tiredness, you would have been hard-pressed to find a member of our party who wasn't excited about visiting the wetlands. Drawing thousands of birds from a multitude of species every year, Suncheon Bay is a sight to behold. Tall, green reeds blanketed the area for miles, and the orange light from the sun had painted the scene beautifully. As I followed our group along on the walkway into the hills for a better vantage point, I could already see visitors with camera-phones snapping one gorgeous nature-photo after another.

All of our destinations on the three-day tour were definitely photo-worthy, but they were all chosen for an important reason, which was their historical and cultural significance. The Republic of Korea Ministry of National Defense hosts free tours like this one multiple times a year. Transportation, lodging, and everything included on the itinerary is already covered for anyone who signs up for a tour.

The english-speaking tour guides taught us important information about each of our stops, including the origins of food we ate. Our experience not only encompassed seeing and feeling the traditions of Korea, but tasting them as well. From tteokgalbi, which are grilled beef rib patties, to doenjang-jjigae, which is soybean paste, tofu and vegetable stew, I was full by the end of every warm, delicious meal. From what I heard throughout the tour, I was not the only one.

Trying new and exciting traditional Korean cuisine was an added benefit to feasting our eyes and ears on towering bamboo forests, historic villages, tree-lined roads, bustling city streets, and ancient temples.

By the end of the tour, I had greater appreciation for the Land of the Morning Calm, its awesome resilience and its enduring traditions. I have recommended this tour to each of my peers, and I recommend it to you as well. If you are interested in participating in the MND Cultural Orientation Tour, contact your unit Good Neighbor coordinator.

**BY SPC. ROGER HOUGHTON
20TH PUBLIC AFFAIRS DETACHMENT**

2ND BATTALION, 2ND AVIATION REGIMENT



Coat of Arms



Crest

CONSTITUTION OF 2ND BATTALION, 2ND AVIATION REGIMENT

The 2nd Battalion, 2nd Aviation Regiment traces its lineage to Company B, 2nd Aviation Battalion, first constituted in September 1961. During the Korean War, the military application of helicopters achieved recognition through their use in Medical Evacuations (MEDEVAC). Small H-13 and H-23 helicopter detachments transported injured soldiers from areas of fighting to Mobile Army Surgical Hospital (MASH) units. When the armistice ended the major fighting in Korea in July of 1953, the aviation sections were pooled together to form a test unit to develop a combat aviation company.

HISTORY/2ID RELATIONSHIP

In July 1965, the 2nd Infantry Division returned to Korea. The Division was assigned to take up the area of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) to the northwest of Seoul from the junction of the Han and Imjin Rivers to the area called "West Dagmar" 18 miles to the east, an area that included the area around the conference site at Panmunjom. To support the Division, the 2nd Aviation Battalion deployed its Headquarters Detachment and B Company to Stanton Army Airfield by the village of Sinsan-ni and A Company was located at Ascom City (which subsequently became Camp Market) to the east of Seoul. B Company was equipped at the time with OH-23 Raven helicopters and O-1A and U-6A fixed-wing aircraft.

In June 2005, the 2nd Infantry Division's Aviation Brigade was inactivated and the 6th Cavalry Brigade was inactivated and reflagged as the 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, with elements of the 17th Aviation Brigade, which also was inactivated, being assigned to the new unit. This was part of both the transformation of the 2nd Infantry Division to the US Army's new modular force structure and the reorganization of US forces in Korea. The 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, designated as Multi-Functional Aviation Brigade, assumed the role of providing aviation support to both the 2nd Infantry Division as before, and Eighth US Army, which had previously been handled by 6th Cavalry Brigade and 17th Aviation Brigade. As part of the reorganization, 2-2nd Aviation was moved to K-16 Airfield.

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2018년 11월 간추린 뉴스

매달 영문판에는 들어가지만 한글판에는 들어가지 않는 기사들을 보면서 아깝다는 생각을 했습니다. 그래서 만들었습니다! 간추린 뉴스!

한글판에는 넣지 않았지만, 영문판에 실린 기사들을 사진으로 정리하는 지면입니다.



10월 22일 미2사단 신청사에서 열린 순환대대의 임무교대식을 취재하였다.

<사진_ 제2보병사단 공보처 사진 전문가 박진우>



10월 16일날 행해진 캠프 레드클라우드 워리어 채플의 마지막 이야기를 취재한다.

<사진_ 제2보병사단 공보처 일병 박승호>



캠프 레드클라우드 미2사단본부의 역사적인 폐쇄식을 통해 사단의 역사를 되돌아본다.

<사진_ 제2보병사단 공보처 사진 전문가 박진우>



이달의 사진



• 제2보병사단 공식 페이스북 페이지 많은 좋아요와 공유하기 부탁드립니다.

표지 사진:

10월 16일, 캠프 레드 클라우드에 위치한 제2보병사단 전 사단 본부인 프리먼홀에서 열린 본부 폐관식 중 한국측 의장대인 카루사들이 하강한 태극기를 들고 프리먼홀로 행진하고 있다.

<사진_ 제2보병사단 공보처 사진 전문가 박진우>

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그 외 인터넷에서 무료로 배포한 폰트를 사용했습니다.

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이달의 사진:

10월 25일, 경기도 화성시에 위치한 라 비에돌 리조트에서 열린 사단 창설 101주년 기념 사단 창성 기념 연회에 참석한 사람들이 호텔 로비에 모여있는 모습이다.

<사진_ 제2보병사단 공보처 사진 전문가 박진우>



서울빛초롱축제



(기사_일병 박승호/제2보병사단 공보처)

2008년을 시작으로 약 9년여간 서울의 오랜 역사와 문화를 빛초롱으로 담아온 서울빛초롱 축제는 10주년을 맞이한다. 11월 2일부터 11월 18일까지 열리는 빛초롱 축제는 청계천의 청계광장에서 수표교까지의 1.2km의 구간을 “새로운 꿈, 미래, 추억, 전통”의 4개의 테마로 나누는 다음 그 테마에 맞춰 서로 다른 빛초롱 조형물을 전시한다고 한다. 길을 따라 걸으면서 서울의 역사와 더불어 그 정체성을 확립한 불빛 조형물을 통해 돌아볼 수 있기에 저녁 기분전환 및 데이트 코스로도 안성맞춤이라 한다. 가는 방법은 1호선 종각역 6번 출구로 나와 청계광장 방향으로 약 300m 정도 걸으면 된다.

제주올레걷기축제



2010년 시작해 올해 9화째를 맞는 제주올레걷기축제는 하루 한 코스 씩 걸으며 문화예술 공연과 지역 먹거리를 즐기는 이동형 축제이다. 국내뿐 아니라 전 세계의 1만여 명의 도보 여행자들이 참여하는 제주 최대 규모의 축제라고 한다. 11월 1일부터 3일까지 약 3일간 진행되는 행사 각 일 차마다 제주도 둘레를 21코스로 나눈 후 각각 한 코스를 뽐내고 길을 걷는 식이다. 올해는 5(남원포구 - 하효항), 6(하효항 - 서귀포 칠십리 시공원), 7(서귀포 월평야왜남목 - 서귀포 칠십리 시공원) 코스를 순서대로 걷는다고 하며 각 코스마다 다양한 노점 및 공연이 준비된다고 한다. 가는 방법은 제주국제공항에 내린 뒤 행사장으로 가는 셔틀버스에 탑승하면 된다고 한다. 사진 접수는 끝났으며 축제 당일 아침 현장 접수만 받는다고 한다

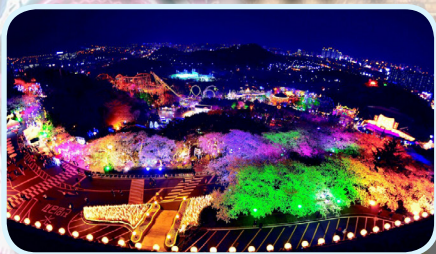
고창국화축제



고창국화축제는 한반도 역사의 시작을 알리는 유적이자 유네스코 세계문화유산 중 하나인 고창 고인돌 유적을 바탕으로 하여 선사마을을 중심으로 국화로 가득한 풍경을 감상하고 다양한 먹거리 및 행사를 즐길 수 있는 축제로 올해는 10월 26일부터 11월 11일에 걸쳐 진행된다. 즐길 수 있는 프로그램으로는 조화국화 찾기, 선사마을 체험하기, 산책로 탐방 및 걷기 등이 있고 축제 기간 동안 국악, 판소리 공연 등 다양한 공연을 관람할 수 있다. 가는 방법은 고창버스터미널에서 내린 뒤 농어촌버스를 타고 고창 고인돌박물관 앞에서 내리면 된다.

11월의 축제

이월드별빛축제



대구의 대표적인 놀이공원인 이월드에서 11.17일부터 12.31일 간 한 달 넘게 주최하는 축제인 이월드 별빛 축제는 대략 830만개의 전구 등을 이용해 13만평 넓이의 공원 부지를 빛내고 그 가운데에서 놀이시설을 이용할 수 있게 해주는 축제이다. 밤이 되어야 본격적으로 시작하며 올해 6년째를 맞고 있다. 11월 3일에는 이월드 정문의 20m에 달하는 대형 트리에서 점등식과 함께 소원풍선 날리기와 불꽃 행사, 축하공연이 진행되며 17일에는 '별빛축제 그랜드 오픈식'이 진행되어 초대형 불꽃쇼와 함께, 관객들의 의상을 맞춰주고 즐기는 플라워파티가 열린다고 한다. 가는 방법은 대구 지하철 2호선을 타고 두류역에서 하차하면 된다.

지스타



부산BEXCO에서 11월15일부터 18일까지 3일 동안 열리는 세계적인 규모의 게임전시회인 지스타는 국내 최고의 게임쇼로 게임 매니아들이라면 놓쳐서는 안 될 행사이다. 국내 외 여러 게임 업체들이 참여하며 해외 게임 업체들 중엔 한국인들에게 익숙한 블리자드나 SCEK도 있다. 특히 국내 게임업체들은 대부분의 자사 신작을 여기서 발표하기 때문에 행사기간마다 언제나 사람들로 붐빈다. 참여하면 여러 게임회사들의 신작 체험 및 다양한 e스포츠 대회도 관람할 수 있다. 찾아가는 방법은 부산 지하철 2호선 센텀시티역에서 하차하면 된다.

<사진 _ 사진 전문가 박진우/ 제2보병사단 공보처>



사단 창설 101주년 무도회

수원, 대한민국 - 무도회에 참석한 모두가 수 십 년간 지속되어온 사단의 영광스럽고 자랑스러운 역사를 빛냈고 사단의 상징인 ‘인디언헤드’에 헌신한 모두의 노력을 기렸다.

10월 25일, 수원에 위치한 라 비에돌 호텔에서 제2보병사단 창설 101주년 행사가 열렸다.

개회사로 제2보병사단/한미연합사단 사령관인 스콧 맥킨 소장은 행사의 중요성에 대해 역설했다.

“오늘, 우리는 사단 창설 101주년과 그 기간 동안 우리와 함께 싸워왔던 하우트 마른에서의 해병대, 1차 세계대전에서의 프랑스, 그리고 현재 대한민국 육군과의 연합을 기념합니다.” 소장은 말했다. “우리 연합사단 내에는 현재 60명의 한국 육군 장교들과 2000 명이 넘는 카투사들이 근무하고 있으며 이들은 사단의 전력을 더욱 무섭고 강력하게 만드는데 큰 역할을 하고 있습니다.” 라고도 덧붙였다.

미2사단의 자랑스러운 역사는 1917년 10월 26일, 프랑스 하우트 마른 부르몽에서 창설된 이후 배출된 40명의 미 무공훈장 수여자와 스무 횟수가 넘는 참전 기록으로 대변된다.

2차 세계 대전 당시, 미 2사단은 오버로드 작전(연합군의 당시 노르망디 상륙 작전 작전명)을 위해 아일랜드로 이동했다. 한국 전쟁 때는 미 본토에서 파견되어 한국 땅을 첫 번째로 밟은 사단이기도 했다. 2015년 한국 육군과 연합사단을 창설할 때까지 미2사단은 한국군과 같이 훈련하고 연합하여 작전들을 수행해왔다.

제2보병사단 협회장인 예비역 대령 윌리엄 알렉산더는 올해 세상을 떠난 두 영웅의 영혼에 경의를 표했다: 전 2사단장이자 전 미 육군 교육

사령부 사령관인 존 에이브람스 예비역 대장과 2사단장과 8군 사령관을 모두 지낸 토마스 밴달 예비역 중장이다.

“두 번째로 제가 강조하고 싶은 건 ‘장교들이 이끌고, 부사관들이 움직이는’ 사단의 정신입니다.” 소장은 얘기했다. “저희는 이 주제에 대해 오늘 미 8군 주임원사인 리처드 메릿 주임원사를 연사로 모시게 되어 영광입니다. 그는 35년간의 복무 동안 모든 부사관들의 모범이 되신 분이고 이번이 육군에서 그 분이 맞이하는 마지막 공식 행사인 만큼 오늘밤은 그분의 헌신을 기릴 수 있는 밤이 되었으면 합니다.”

제2보병사단/한미연합사단의 주임원사인 필 바레토 주임원사는 메릿 주임원사를 소개했으며 그는 한국에서 사단이 빛낸 역사와 올바른 지도자의 자세를 강조하는 연설을 했다.

메릿 주임원사는 “여러분들이 세우고 준수하고 있는 기준은 전 육군의 지도자들이 모범으로 삼아야 할 만한 기준입니다.” 라고 말했다. “당신들의 규율은 사단으로 하여금 언제나 준비태세를 유지할 수 있게 합니다.” 라고도 덧붙였다.

메릿 주임원사는 그의 뛰어난 지도력과 사단을 향한 헌신과 지원에 대한 공로로 금으로 된 토마호크 도끼를 선물 받았다.

행사가 종료됨에 따라, 연합사단의 장병들은 마음속에 사단의 자랑스러운 역사와 그 정신을 새기는 기회를 가질 수 있었다.

(중양) 제2보병사단/한미연합사단 소속 각 부대의 주임원사들이 미8군 주임원사인 리처드 메릿 주임원사를 중심으로 하여 단체 사진을 찍고 있다.



제2보병사단 창설 101주년 연회가 시작하기 전 의장대가 연회장 앞에서 깃발을 들고 종열로 서있다. 해당 의장대는 제2보병사단, 대한민국 육군, 미 해병대 그리고 대한민국 해병대로 이루어져있다.

〈사진 _ 사진 전문가 박진우/ 제2보병사단 공보처〉

연회의 개최자인 제2보병사단/한미연합사단 사령관 스콧 맥킨 소장이 사단 주임원사인 필 바레토 주임원사와 같이 자리에서 일어난 채로 제2보병사단 101주년 기념행사 개회식을 진행하고 있다.

〈사진 _ 사진 전문가 박진우/ 제2보병사단 공보처〉



초청 연사이자 미8군 주임원사인 리처드 메릿 주임원사가 제2보병사단 장병들에게 리더십에 대한 연설을 하고 있다.

〈사진 _ 사진 전문가 박진우/ 제2보병사단 공보처〉

미2사단의 작별 콘서트



안병용 의정부 시장과 제2보병사단/한미연합사단 사령관인 스코트 맥킨 소장과 사단주임원사 필 바레토 주임원사가 콘서트 시작 전 의정부 예술 극장에 마련된 사진 전시회에서 옛 사진들을 둘러보고 있다.

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평화의 역사를 기억하고 그들의 노고에 감사를 표하는 자리가 되었으면 합니다.” 라고도 덧붙였다.

콘서트는 현대, 전통 및 지역 문화와 음악들이 어루어진 공연이었고 타이거 JK와 윤미래 같은 가수들도 특별히 초청되었다.

초청 가수 중 한 명인 래퍼 윤미래는 아버지가 미군으로서 캠프 레드 클라우드에서 근무할 때 태어났으며 의정부에서 보낸 어린 시절을 회상하기도 했다. “전 캠프 레드 클라우드에서 보낸 어린 시절이 굉장히 만족스러웠습니다.” 라고 윤미래는 말했다. “한국인과 아프리카계 미국인의 혼혈로서 기지 내의 문화적 다양성이 저의 정체성을 확립하는데 큰 도움을 주었습니다.” 라고도 덧붙였다.

모두가 어우러진 이번 축제는 미2사단과 의정부간의 역사의 한 챕터를 마감하고 미2사단의 평택에서의 새로운 역사의 시작을 장식했다.

그의 연설에서, 맥킨 소장은 안 시장과 의정부 시민에게 53년 간 의정부에 머무르는 동안 2사단 장병들을 잘 돌보아주어서 고맙다는 인사를 남겼다.

“미국의 군인들은 위대한 한미연합군과 함께 한반도의 평화를 지키기 위해 그들의 의무를 다하고 항상 준비태세를 갖춘 채 한국으로 파견됩니다.” 소장은 말했다. “저희는 의정부시의 시민 분들이 저희에게 보여준 모든 것에 매우 감사하며 저희가 의정부 시와 나눴던 추억들을 영원히 잊지 않을 것입니다.” 라고 덧붙였다.

의정부 시 - 대대적인 캠프 험프리로의 이전 중, 제2보병사단/한미연합사단의 장병들은 의정부시에서 마련한 행사에서 한국 전쟁 이후부터 지속된 의정부시와 미2사단의 역사를 되돌아보며 휴식을 취할 기회를 얻었다.

10월 15일, 제2보병사단/한미연합사단의 장병들은 의정부 예술 극장에서 열린 의정부시/미2사단 친선 콘서트에 초대받아 참석했다.

200여 명이 넘는 의정부시 주민들과 한국군 및 미군측 가족들과 장병들이 초청받았고 “우리는 영원한 친구”라는 모토 하에 1965년 이후 의정부시와 미군기지의 역사를 보여주는 사진들의 전시회가 그들을 반겼다.

초청 연사인 제2보병사단/한미연합사단 사령관인 스코트 맥킨 소장은 연설 중 젊은 장교로서 캠프 레드 클라우드에 첫 발을 내딛었을 때를 회상했다.

“오랫동안 우리들의 관계는 지속적으로 발전되어 왔습니다.” 라고 소장은 말했다. “저는 1995년에 이곳에 처음 배치되어 의정부시와의 인연을 시작하게 된 것을 매우 다행이라고 생각합니다.” 라고도 덧붙였다.

안병용 의정부 시장은 스코트 맥킨 소장에게 의정부 시민을 대신하여 대한민국의 자유를 수호해준 공로로 감사패를 건넸다.

“의정부 시의 과거를 돌아보면, 과거 미군들은 한국전쟁 당시 위기에 처해있던 한국의 평화와 자유를 위해 싸워왔습니다.” 라고 안 시장은 말했다. “오늘의 공연은 미2사단의 이전에 맞춰 준비되었으며 이 콘서트를 통해 미2사단과 의정부시의 오랫동안 이어진 유대와



의정부 시립 한국무용단이 콘서트장에서 한국전통무용인 “부채춤” 공연을 하고 있다

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한미 문화교류

Veterans Day

Honoring All Who Served

Veterans Day

재향군인의 날

미 연방의 대표적인 공휴일 중 하나인 재향군인의 날은 미국이 과거 참전했던 모든 전쟁의 재향 군인들의 희생을 기억하고 그 영혼을 기리는 날로 매년 11월 11일로 지정되어 있다.

원래 1차세계대전의 종전 선언일인 11월 11일을 휴전기념일(Armistice Day)로 지정하는 것에서 비롯되었다. 휴전기념일에는 전쟁에서 살아 남은 참전 용사들이 거리에서 가두 행진을 벌이고, 정치인들과 퇴역 장교들은 연설을 통해 군인들의 희생으로 재취한 평화에 감사하는 기념식을 개최했다고 한다. 1차 세계대전 후에 이어서 2차 세계대전이 일어났음에도 불구하고 휴전기념일은 계속 지켜졌고 전후 두 차례의 세계 대전에 참전한 용사들에게 감사하는 날인 참전 군인의 날로 변경되었다. 1954년 한국 전쟁 이후 미 정부에서 공식적으로 미국이 참전한 모든 전쟁에 관여한 용사들을 기리는 재향군인의 날로 바꾸면서 현재의 Veterans Day의 명칭이 확립되었다.

이 날, 전국의 재향 군인 단체들은 다양한 퍼레이드와 특별한 행사들을 개최하며 대통령은 관례에 따라 워싱턴 D.C. 에서 포트 맥 강 건너편에 위치해 있는 알링턴 국립 묘지의 무명 용사탑에 헌화한다고 한다.

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한미 문화교류

Thanksgiving Day
추수감사절

한국의 추석이라 불릴 수 있는 북미의 대표적인 연방 공휴일인 추수감사절은 개신교 최대 명절이며 미국에서는 매년 11월 넷째 주 목요일로 지정이 되어있다. 대표적인 음식으로는 칠면조 고기, 고기 국물, 으깬 감자, 그리고 크랜베리 소스 등을 들 수 있다. 2018년도는 11월 22일로 예정되어 있다.

추수감사절 행사는 1621년 식민 지배 하의 매사추세츠의 플리머스에서 있었던 만찬에서 비롯된 것이다. 식민지 개척자들과 와팰라노(Wampanoag) 인디언 부족은 가을추수를 끝낸 후에 같이 모여서 만찬을 즐겼는데, 이것이 영국의 식민지 개척자와 미 대륙 토착 원주민 간의 우정과 협력의 상징이 된 추수감사절의 시작이다. 하지만 추수감사절이 연방 공휴일로 지정되기까지는 갖은 시행착오가 있었다고 한다. 매사추세츠 찰스턴타운의 지방의회에서는 1676년 6월 20일 역사상 처음으로 '추수감사절 선언서'를 발표하며, 6월 29일을 추수감사절로 지정했으나 얼마 유지되지 못하고 흐지부지 되었다. 1789년에는 조지 워싱턴 대통령이 추수감사절을 국경일로 지정하자는 의견을 개진했지만, 이 역시 의회의 반대로 무산되었다. 잡지 편집장이었던 사라 조세파 헤일이 거의 40년 동안이나 대통령과 유력인사들에게 편지를 써거나 시설을 기고하는 등 추수감사절에 대한 캠페인을 벌였고 결국 1863년에 링컨 대통령이 11월 마지막 주 목요일을 추수감사절로 선포하는 법안을 최종적으로 승인함으로써 정착되었다고 한다.

미국인들은 개신교 쪽 명절임에도 불구하고 출신 배경과 종교를 불문하고 미국인들 대부분은 가족이나 친구들과 함께 추수감사절을 보낸다고 한다.

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