

## ROKA Army general visits Casey and 210th



Brigadier Gen. Kwang, Ho-jung, CJFE, chief of fires, meets with Col. Jonathan Velishka, commander, 210th Field Artillery Brigade, September 25, 2019, Camp Casey. (U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Park Jae-young)

## Guest speaker talks on suicide prevention



Andrew O'Brien, a public speaker with Rising Phoenix, speaks to Soldiers for suicide prevention and awareness month, at Casey Theater, Camp Casey, South Korea, September 25, 2019. Soldiers listened to his life story and lessons about resilience.

## Why We Serve



"I wanted to do something that makes a difference, and I wanted to travel to see the world and learn new things." (U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Park, Jae-young)

Pvt. Pedro, Sierra, 92Y  
San Juan, Puerto Rico  
HHB, 1-38 FAR



## Need help? Support is available!

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Photos by Pfc. Park, Jae-young and Cpl. Shim, Jun-taek

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## The Big Three

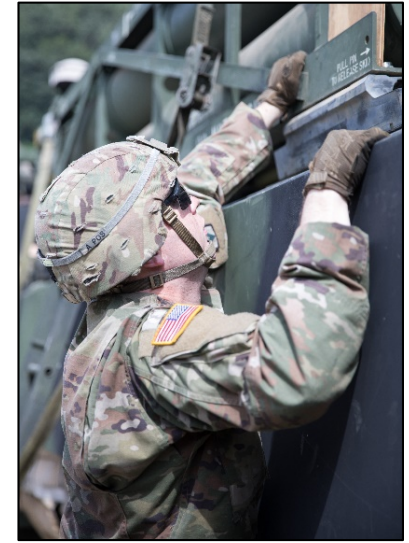


Staff Sgt. Crystal Siqueiros, a human resource sergeant, assigned to HHB, 210th Field Artillery Brigade, San Mateo, California native, checks over her and her Soldiers' equipment as part of her PCC's and PCI's, during a training exercise, September 25, 2019.



Specialist Steven Ward, an air defense battle management system operator, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Field Artillery Brigade, East Hampton, New York native, checks his equipment as part of his pre-combat checks and inspections, during a training exercise, September 25, 2019, Camp Casey, South Korea.

(U.S. Army photos by Sgt. Osvaldo Martinez)



Spc. Zachery Marquardt, a multiple launch rocket system crewmember assigned to 2nd Battalion, 18th Field Artillery Regiment, Mannford, Oklahoma native, stabilizes a rocket pod to secure on a vehicle, September 26, 2019.

**Which photo do you think is best?**

From the  
Unit Ministry  
Team



**The 210 FA BDE Unit Ministry Team: Staff Sgt. Stephen Bonett** | Spend the duty day with the Chaplain at Mt. Seoraksan National Park on Nov. 1 for a command sponsored Chaplain-led training event to build spiritual resilience and readiness. The fee is 3,500 won (cash only). We recommended you bring 15,000 won for lunch. Soldiers can sign up with their battalion ministry team. Please contact Pfc. Lim at [yedong.lim.fm@mail.mil](mailto:yedong.lim.fm@mail.mil) or 010-8806-6599. Hear more from the chaplain on page 4.





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## Community Connection



Love hiking or nature? Try exploring the trails of Soyosan Mountain!

This mountain hosts a fresh water spring, and it also holds spiritual significance for locals as the place where Saint Wonhyo achieved his spiritual awakening.

This is one of many activities available to Soldiers. Stop by the Casey Activity Center to see what else you can do in Korea.

Don't forget to take a battle buddy!

This is for information purposes only.

**Have an adventure! Climb a mountain!**

## Retaining *The Best*



This month's feature re-enlistment photo comes from Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Field Artillery Brigade. Staff Sgt. Joshua Beltran from Moreno, California, reenlisted Oct. 2, 2019. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Yesenia Barajas)

Do you have some great reenlistment photos? We want to share them. Just email them to us with a brief description.

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*Controlling The Best | Second to None*



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SPC Jared Verwey, a Chicago, Illinois native, heavy expanded mobility tactical truck operator and MLRS rocket transporter with 580th Forward Support Company, 1st Battalion, 38th Field Artillery Regiment, challenged himself to compete in the Soldier of the Month Board. He consistently gave 100 percent effort to his unit's readiness in support of the ROK-US alliance. SPC Verwey's discipline and dedication to his goals led him to stand out against his peers. (U.S. Army Photo by Sgt. Osvaldo Martinez)

## A Story from the Chaplain

Finding cowboy boots in the Prada shop in Europe was like ordering Kimchi in an Italian Restaurant to me. The shop was packed with tourists from Asia, and no one was even looking at the cowboy boots.

First, let me tell you about my love for cowboy boots. I had spent a good three years of my life in Fort Worth, Texas, and having a good pair of cowboy boots was always something I wanted to have one day. But that wasn't so easy, because cowboy boots can cost a lot of money. What are the odds on that day in a Prada shop in Europe in the clearance section, the Korean-American who loves cowboy boots would find some?

I stood up on the bench and reached for the boots to see the price. The original price was 930 Euros, but the clearance price was a small fraction of that. A pair of tall black cowboy boots made by Prada were now at a price that I could afford. I asked the sales person for my size, and he told me these were the only ones they had in stock, so I tried the one from the shelf on and it was my size! The sales person then told me they had been on the shelf for a long time. Of course, I bought my dream pair of cowboy boots made by Prada.

You see the boots were "nothing" in the eyes of the many shoppers there, but they became "something" in my eyes when I saw them. I am going to be wearing my Prada boots at our next Strong Bonds Retreat in December. When you see me in my boots I am asking that you look and find the real value in the boots.

Think of it this way. Someone might be "nobody" but because of your interest in them, they will be "somebody" to you. Let's reach out to people around us and find the value in them.

*Chaplain (Maj.) Michael Kim*

## Excellence in our ranks

