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Warrior leaders glimpse future during 'FRG Round-Up'

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2nd ID Public Affairs Chief

2nd Infantry Division commanders, senior staff, senior enlisted advisors and Family Readiness Group leaders converged on the USAG Humphreys Community Activities Center July 22 to catch a glimpse of the future and discuss important quality of life issues confronting the Warrior team.

The "FRG Round-Up" featured lively discussion of command sponsorship, "tour normalization" and Warrior Family opportunities as well as an informative presentation detailing infrastructure development at the host garrison community.

Col. Michael A. Coss, the Division chief of staff, outlined the agenda, led the assembled leaders through an ice-breaking exercise highlighting FRG experiences and introduced the commanding general.

Maj. Gen. John W. Morgan III, the 2nd ID commanding general, greeted participants and outlined his priorities, stressing the importance of effective sponsorship and hailing Humphreys as the embodiment of the "future of U.S. forces in the Republic of Korea." The commander outlined a robust vision of tour normalization and development of the Warrior Division "footprint."

"It's about transforming the peninsula," Morgan said of his vision. "It's about turning our facilities into a place that's as close to 'normal' as we can make it even if it's 9,000 miles away from home... It's about taking care of whoever wears the 2nd ID patch and their Family members regardless of where they're stationed."

The commander reiterated his firm commitment to vigorous, comprehensive and standardized sponsorship efforts throughout the Division and beyond. Providing timely and accurate information to incoming personnel, for instance, maximizes the likelihood Soldiers will make appropriate Family decisions.

"We want to ensure we're doing the right thing by our Soldiers and Family members at the 2nd ID," he said. "We need to ensure expectations are met, in



Lt. Col. David Rogers, commander of the 302nd Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team, and his wife Kathy de-conflict schedules during a calendar brief presented by the Division SGS as part of the FRG Round-Up conducted July 22 at the USAG Humphreys Community Activities Center.

terms of childcare, education, housing and quality of life. If people understand their environment they'll make good choices for their Families and their organizations."

A secretary of the general staff review of major upcoming events within the Division followed the commander's opening remarks. The calendar review provided the leaders an ideal opportunity to review and de-conflict schedules and plans.

Lt. Col. David Hater, the Division personnel officer and key event organizer, next briefed the assembled leaders on the status of command sponsorship efforts. Hater noted important gains in Division sponsorship efforts, remaining challenges and potential solutions. He also laid the groundwork for further discussion of the issue during the 2nd ID offsite conference slated for August.

Morgan emphasized the importance of effective coordination and unity of sponsorship efforts, calling for an effective, consistent program across the peninsula.

"It'll be a win-win," the commander said. "This will benefit Soldiers, Families and units throughout the peninsula. Instead of a haphazard system that works sometimes and not others, there will be consistent training and consistent standards throughout the peninsula."

Lt. Col. Russ Goemaere, the 2nd ID Public Affairs officer, guided participants through the Division Web site, explaining key features and available resources.

After a brief break for refreshments, Col. Joseph Moore, the USAG Humphreys garrison commander, discussed quality of life within his growing community. Moore discussed garrison facilities, construction projects, fitness and entertaining initiatives, and ongoing educational, housing and recreation opportunities. The number of command-sponsored Families at Humphreys, he pointed out, doubled during the last year.

The colonel also presented images illustrating planned expansion at Humphreys, currently projected to

develop into the premier Division hub as the U.S. footprint in Korea gravitates south. The presentation dovetailed nicely with the commander's observations on the Division's future on the Korean Peninsula and plainly resonated with roundup participants.

Richard Davis, the Area 1 deputy garrison commander, provided a measure of geographic balance, outlining upcoming events, recreational opportunities, construction projects and Family programs in his communities.

Morgan concluded the roundup on an optimistic note, describing current prospects for the Division, its resources and facilities, and its Korean footprint. "In the ROK," he said, "the future is bright."

Organizers and participants alike described the event as informative, helpful and successful.

"I think today's session went exceptionally well," Hater said. "Our objective was to get information on critical issues like tour normalization, sponsorship, quality of life initiatives and infra-

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VOICE OF THE WARRIOR:

What was your best
summer vacation?



*"When I went to Sokcho
beach."*

Pvt. Jae Won Choi
HHSC, DSTB

*"The Boryung mud festival
was my best."*

Pvt. Nolen Watley
HHSC, DSTB



*"Last year when my
daughter was born."*

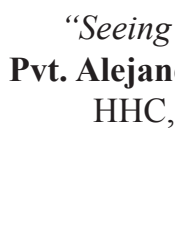
Spc. Yamani Khan
4th Support Company,
302 BSB

"Fishing."
Sgt. Culver Corey
B Forward Support
Company,
70th BSB



*"Playing a softball game
with my buddies."*

Pfc. Justin Walker
Co. B, 302 BSB



"Seeing my son."
Pvt. Alejandro Narvaez
HHC, DSTB



COMMANDER'S CORNER: Strengthen and Support the Alliance

By **Maj. Gen. John W. Morgan III**
2nd ID commander

Summer transitions bring many new Soldiers and Families to the Warrior Division who need to know how important it is to strengthen and support our alliance with the Korean people and their military and government. We are a team that has to be ready to fight tonight and live together every day. We increase our readiness by conducting realistic training with the Korean military and we improve the quality of our daily lives by building relationships with the Korean people and their military and government officials.

Former National Basketball Association star Charles Barkley candidly proclaimed in an advertisement that "I am not a role model." While Sir Charles' heart may have been in the right place (encouraging parents rather than celebrities to assume responsibility for raising their children) celebrities like athletes have little choice in their coronation as role models. Soldiers and their Families, living and serving abroad, also find themselves serving as role models and ambassadors whether they like it or not.

Actual U.S. diplomats, of course, typically complete years of rigorous study, training and overseas work in preparation for their posts. Most of us serving in Korea have nowhere near that level of preparation. Yet all of us have the ability to impact the way Americans are perceived here, for good or for ill. So I expect the Soldiers of the Warrior Division to serve as "unofficial" American ambassadors to the Republic of Korea. I hope and trust many of our Family members will enthusiastically join me in this important effort.

Below are four simple ways leaders and Soldiers may successfully serve as American "Ambassadors."

1. Participate in higher echelon combined training exercises. The 2nd ID traditionally leverages 8th Army training exercises such as Key Resolve and Ulchi Freedom Guardian, in which ROK units play an important role, to enhance our contacts and relationships. As a Division, we also integrate our ROK Army counterparts in our Warpath and Warfighter exercise series. At the brigade level, the 210th Fires Brigade enables the Counterfire Task Force through engagement with Third Republic of Korea Army elements. I encourage leaders to seek out opportunities for Soldiers to get involved in these exercises. When Soldiers are involved in and integrated into large-scale exercises, they often gain a better understanding of the operational plan and develop a more vested interest in our military alliance.

2. Conduct combined training at echelon. Apart from the theater and Division combined exercises, I encourage battalions and companies to execute events fusing ROKA

and U.S. Army elements. Training events may be as complex as 2nd Battalion (Assault), 2nd Aviation Regiment's Second Republic of Korea Army air assault exercise, or as simple as a joint officer or noncommissioned officer development session. When you plan an activity you should always ask yourself, how can I integrate the ROKA into this activity?

3. Get involved in community relations activities. As individual Soldiers and/or units, we should participate in our host nation's cultural events. Take advantage of the many outstanding cultural opportunities from Chusok to KATUSA Friendship Week to experience Korean culture. Attend Division, brigade and garrison events that bring American Soldiers and Korean partners together. I encourage you to look for creative ways to combine training events with social events. For instance, why not conduct an OPD followed by a friendly nine-hole golf scramble or soccer game?

4. Get out and explore; and if Family members are here with you, take them along. Visit as many museums, cultural sites, parks, walking trails, markets and historic places as you can. Be mature enough to understand culture in Korea differs from what you might be used to in the U.S., and know how to respond to situations appropriately. Korea is an extremely Family friendly environment but it always pays to be safe and to carefully plan Family activities. Recognize that most Americans stand out distinctly in Korea; and rather than fearing or resenting this reality, embrace your role as an "Ambassador." Be comfortable but conscious of how you interact with our Korean hosts. A good rule of thumb to follow is to be polite to a fault. You should also attempt to learn the language. A few well-pronounced Hangul words or an appropriate bow might seem like small things, but they can make a significant and positive contribution to goodwill and partnership between American and Korean allies.

Whether in Europe or Southern Asia or the Republic of Korea, sustaining a strong and enduring friendship and alliance with our host nations enhances our nation's security and stability. The Warrior Division will continue to train for its war-fighting missions and rely on you, the American Soldier and Family, to demonstrate goodwill and live the Army Values during your service in the ROK. These two Soldier roles – war-fighter and ambassador – result in a more capable and combat-ready force.

"Second to None!"



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2nd CAB Apaches rain 'Hellfire' at Jik-do range

By Sgt. 1st Class Krishna Gamble

2nd CAB Public Affairs

KUNSAN AIR BASE, Korea — Three, two, one ... swoosh...splash! That was the sound heard July 22 when Apache pilots from the 4th Battalion (Attack), 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade launched Hellfire missiles into the range at Jik-do Island off the coast of Kunsan.

Twenty-four crews shot multiple hell fire missiles in simulated combat conditions as part of the Death Dealer battalion's annual joint training exercise at Kunsan Airbase with the 8th Fighter Wing and Republic of Korea Armed Forces that reinforce the battalion's ability to train and deploy within any area of operations.

"This training exercise not only provides our Apache pilots a great opportunity to train on their aircraft and weapons system, but also a chance for joint operational training with the Air Force and Republic of Korea military," said Maj. Scott Kruse, 4-2 executive officer.

The Apache is a twin-engine attack helicopter designed to take out heavily armored ground targets. The Apache primary weapon for this is the hellfire missile. Each Apache can carry as many as 16 missiles at one time.

There are two types of Hellfire missiles – laser guided and fire control radar. Each missile system has the ability to fire over land and water with precision, and can be fire within seconds of each other.

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structure out to key leaders. The programs we discussed and the information we provided will directly affect inbound Soldiers and Families as well as those who are already here."

Like his commander, the Division's top personnel officer emphasized the importance of arming Soldiers and Families – particularly arriving personnel – with relevant information about communities, resources, opportunities and limitations.

The immediate goal of the regular FRG gatherings, he said, "is to pass knowledge about critical Family and quality of life issues to key leaders. The long term end-state is that key leaders use this information to benefit 2nd ID Soldiers and Families, whether they're here already or inbound."

The geography of the FRG events, Hater noted, reflects the dispersal of Soldiers and Family members within the Warrior footprint.

"Most of our Soldiers are in Area 1," he said. "Our Family members are mainly in Area II right now, but a growing number are coming to Area III. So

we need to involve all three areas. We have Soldiers and Family members in all three areas, so we rotate our events accordingly."

"This is a very good chance to talk about important Family issues," Mi Hwa Higgins, an administrative assistant with the Division personnel office, said of the roundup. "We're learning a lot about the situation throughout all the areas, and we're learning a lot of valuable information to pass along to new Soldiers. That's why sponsorship is so important: it allows us to pass important information to the incoming Families."

"Each FRG meeting is making an important difference," she added. "As they learn more and more information during each meeting, they share more and more information with each other and the Family members. It's getting better and better with every meeting. This will be awesome."

"These are very helpful," said Rebecca McBryar, a Family readiness support assistant for the 70th Brigade Support Battalion, 210th Aviation Brigade attending her fourth roundup. "They're an excellent opportunity to get



Lt. Col. Milford H. Beagle, commander of 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team, and his wife Pam listen intently to commander's remarks during the FRG Round-Up conducted July 22 at the USAG Humphreys Community Activities Center.

everyone together and discuss what's happening in different areas. You find out what's going on in different places, what issues they're facing and how they're addressing them from start to finish."

McBryar, who lives in Area 1 and represents a unit based at Camp Castle, seemed particu-

larly enthusiastic about projected transportation infrastructure improvements. "That was great news about road construction," she said with a smile. "I'll definitely look forward to shorter trips to Yongsan. It was also great to see what they're doing throughout Area 1. Area 1 really does

have a lot to offer."

According to Hater, the quarterly FRG gatherings emphasize different topics but always address issues central to the quality of life of Division Soldiers and Family members. The next Division FRG Round-Up is slated for Oct. 27 at Camp Casey.



Sgt. Kelly Lowery

Apache crews from 4th Battalion (Attack), 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd ID prepare their aircraft for action prior to the Hellfire missile launch conducted July 22 on Jik-do Island.

Three hundred Death Dealers deployed to Kunsan via military aircraft and vehicles to support ground movement, communications, fueling missions and armament operations for this exercise.

"The Apache helicopter is a great aviation plat-

form, but it's the Soldier who enables it to do what it is capable of doing," said Lt. Col. Kevin Berry, 4-2 commander.

The U.S. Army has more than 800 Apaches in service worldwide.



Warrior NCO Spotlight

2nd CAB sergeant supervises superior supply section



Story & photo by Master Sgt. Michael Pintagro

2nd ID Public Affairs Chief

Sgt. Norma Salas wasn't expecting guests when two inspectors arrived at her company supply room 4 p.m. one afternoon in late June. The two inspectors representing 2nd Infantry Division logistics reviewed company property receipts, delegation-of-authority documents, inventories and standing operating procedures. They also queried the supply sergeant and her Soldiers about their mission, procedures, documentation requirements and records.

"We were about to close shop when they showed up," she said with a smile. "We tried to clean up real quick and look squared away. They inspected our hand receipts, SOPs and all our documentation. They also asked us questions about how we maintain our records and do our reports and everything."

Salas, a supply sergeant with D Company, 2nd Battalion (Assault), 2nd Aviation Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd ID was even more surprised when her organization captured a Division-wide supply excellence award.

Inspection teams from Division logistics surveyed supply rooms from Camp Hovey to Camp Humphreys. After reviewing property records throughout the 2nd ID footprint, they selected the company on K-16 Air Base as the Warrior Division's top supply shop.

Salas and her Soldiers perform a fairly conventional supply mission punctuated by an intensified 2nd ID Warrior "optempo." "It's busier over here," she said of the 2nd ID mission. "It's challenging because the pace is much faster, and you have people constantly coming and going."

Orders, turn-ins, purchases, documentation, inventories, inspections and customer service, along with standard Soldier tasks, consume most duty days. The supply team relies heavily on an interactive electronic order and equipment-tracking system; yet the mission ultimately supports Soldiers. "We're basically here to support the company," she said. "Customer service is our focus – we get the Soldiers what they need and order it for them if we don't already have it."

Salas and colleagues also play an important role in the company commander's property management effort, updating hand-receipts, tracking turn-ins and assisting during the conduct of inventories and inspections. According to inspectors, the precision of company record keeping separated D Co. from many of its peers.

The 25-year-old mother of one from El Paso, Texas credits her predecessor with establishing a good system and preparing her to assume responsibility of the shop a little more than three months ago.

"I came into a great supply room and I really have to give credit to the last supply sergeant," she said. "This was probably the best supply room I've come into."

The modest company supply room at K-16 is the third Salas has served in. Previous assignments at Fort



Sgt. Norma Salas, a supply sergeant with D Co., 2-2 Aviation, and Pvt. Reginald Roberts, a supply specialist with D Co., inventory an aviation test kit the afternoon of July 17 at K-16 Air Base.

Bliss, Texas, and Redstone Arsenal, Ala. helped develop her supply skills and prepare her for leadership opportunities. Salas attributes her logistical expertise and emerging leadership skills to solid noncommissioned officer leadership during previous assignments.

"I've had really good NCOs," she said. "I've always had really good leadership, especially during my years as a private."

One mentor, Sgt. Hairo Briceno, then a company supply sergeant at Fort Bliss, stands out.

"Back when I was with the Air Defense unit I had an NCO – Sgt. Briceno – who always knew what he was talking about, and he would always take the time to show me how to do anything I didn't know," she recalled. "He was the best mentor I ever had."

"He was always yelling at me," she added with a laugh. "That's how I learned a lot – from him yelling at me. He was always constructive – he'd tell me what was wrong but also how to do it the right way."

Salas developed a leadership style based partly on lessons from mentors, partly on her own personality and partly on mission requirements. As a team leader supervising two privates and a specialist, Salas focuses on job specialty as well as basic Soldier training, monthly and "under the oak tree" counseling, and keeping troops out of trouble. She also encourages Soldiers to pursue fitness, educational and career progression goals.

"I try to mentor my Soldiers by teaching and showing them how to do different things. I'll task them on different missions, like filling out the 'DA' forms, so they learn all the different parts of the job. I'll guide

them through anything they need help on."

"I try to keep them informed the best I can," she added. "I check their rooms every week just to make sure they're living right."

Her approach seems to resonate with subordinates.

"She's a laid-back NCO but she'll also let you know if you do anything wrong," said Pvt. Reginald Roberts, a supply specialist who works in Salas' shop. "She lets you do some things your own way and learn; but when you make a mistake she'll also let you know how to do it properly and what 'reg' to look it up in if you have more questions."

"She stays on top of issues like going to school and following Army policies, doing what's right and not what's wrong, and preparing me to become an NCO," the 22-year-old Memphis, Tenn. native added with a smile. "She can be 'chill' but she'll turn feisty in a second."

Salas, a promotable sergeant waiting for her "points to drop," joined the Army after high school. Only 5 feet and 1 inch tall, the brown-eyed supply NCO nonetheless has tall leadership aspirations. "My goal is to be a first sergeant for a company some day," she said. "I like training and mentoring Soldiers. I'd like to have my own company and do the same things my leaders have done for me."

For now, she remains humble about her role and her accomplishments.

"I feel like there are a lot of better NCOs out there," she said. "I wasn't expecting any of this to happen. All we do is our job – I don't want to make this a big deal."

WARRIOR NEWS BRIEFS

Casey Legal Center hours

The Camp Casey Legal Center will change its hours of operation beginning in August.

Starting Aug. 3, legal personnel are available by appointment only between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Walk-in customers will be seen from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays. Walk-in customers and customers with appointments will be seen from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays.

Powers of attorney and notarizations will be available on a walk-in basis 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays.

The office will close for lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays but remain open during lunch hours Fridays for the limited purpose of powers of attorney and notarizations.

Casey Legal Center is located in Maude Hall. The office DSN phone number is 730-3660.

JAG education program

The Office of the Judge Advocate General is accepting applications for the Army's funded legal education program. Up to 25 active duty commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain may attend law school while remaining on active duty starting in fall of 2010

under the program.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14 of AR 27-1 (JAG Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility.

Applicants must have two to six years of total active federal service when their legal training begins.

Eligible officers interested in applying should register for the earliest offering of the Law School Admission Test.

Applicants must send their request through command channels, including the officer's branch manager at AHRC, with a copy furnished to the OTJAG, Attn: DAJA-PT (Ms. Yvonne Caron-10th Floor), 1777 N. Kent St., Rosslyn, VA 22209-2194. Applications must be received before Nov. 1, 2009. Early submission is recommended.

Interested officers should contact their local staff judge advocate for more information.

Korean language classes

The Northern Gyeong-gi Provincial Office will offer Korean language courses at Camp Casey to 50 U.S. Service Members.

The classes, which will last until Aug. 27, will be held at the Camp Casey Educational Center every Tuesday and Wednesday for three hours.

Focusing on reading, writing, speaking and listening parts of Korean,

students will study the Korean alphabet and will learn topics related to everyday lives, such as how to make self-introductions.

Camp Adventure

The Summer Trek 2009 Day Camp Program will last until Aug. 14.

The program consists of nine one-week sessions for children in first through fifth grades.

The day camp programs are sponsored by the Camp Casey and Camp Red Cloud Community Activity Centers in cooperation with the University of Northern Iowa Camp Adventure Team counselors.

For more information on activities and registration, call either the Camp Casey CAC at 730-4602 or the Camp Red Cloud CAC at 732-9246.

Cross stitching classes

Traditional and modern cross-stitching classes are conducted 11:30 a.m. Saturday at the Arts and Crafts center on Camp Red Cloud.

For more information, call 732-7355. Registration costs \$20.

Guitar lessons

Free guitar lessons are conducted 3 p.m. Sundays at the Camp Red Cloud Community Activities Center.

For more information, call 732-9246.

Movies

Camp Casey

Show times: Fri.-Sun. 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Mon.-Thur. 7:30 p.m.

July 31...Dance Flick, Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
August 1...Tears of the Sun, Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, Dance Flick
August 2...Land of the Lost, Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins
August 3...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
August 4...No Showing
August 5...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 6...No Showing
August 7...G-Force, Land of the Lost
August 8...G-Force, Drag Me to Hell

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri. 7 & 9 p.m., Sat.-Thu. 7 p.m.

July 31...I Love You, Beth Cooper, Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins
August 1...Land of the Lost
August 2...Sunshine Cleaning
August 3...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 4...X-Men Origins: Wolverine
August 5...No Showing
August 6...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
August 7...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, Dance Flick
August 8...The Hangover
August 9...My Life in Ruins
August 10...Up

Camp Hovey

Show times: Mon.-Sun. 7 p.m.

July 31...Drag Me to Hell
August 1...Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins
August 2...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
August 3...No Showing
August 4...Dance Flick
August 5...No Showing
August 6...Land of the Lost
August 7...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 8...Tears of the Sun, Up
August 9...Drag Me to Hell

Camp Stanley

Show times: Sun.-Mon. & Thu. 7 p.m., Sat., Wed. & Fri. 7 & 9 p.m.

July 31...Dance Flick, Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins
August 1...I Love You, Beth Cooper, Land of the Lost
August 2...I Love You, Beth Cooper
August 3...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 4...No Showing
August 5...G-Force, G-Force
August 6...Imagine That
August 7...Terminator Salvation: The Future Begins, X-Men Origins: Wolverine
August 8...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, Drag Me to Hell
August 9...Harry Potter

Camp Humphreys

Show times: Mon.-Fri. 6:30 & 9 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 3:30, 6:30 & 9 p.m.

July 31...Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
August 1...Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince
August 2...Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince
August 3...Dance Flick
August 4...Dance Flick
August 5...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 6...Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian
August 7...G-Force, Land of the Lost
August 8...G-Force, Land of the Lost
August 9...G-Force, Land of the Lost
August 10...The Hangover
August 11...The Hangover

CHAPEL SERVICE TIMES

Camp Red Cloud

Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
9 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
7 p.m. Sunday
COGIC:
12:30 p.m. Sunday

Camp Casey

Stone Chapel
Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6:00 p.m. Tuesday

Memorial Chapel
Gospel:
11 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6:00 p.m. Tuesday

West Casey Chapel

Protestant:
10:00 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
Noon Sunday
11:45 a.m. Tues&Thurs
KATUSA:
6:30 p.m. Thursday
LDS:
2 p.m. Sunday
Jewish:
6:30 p.m. Friday

Camp Hovey

Hovey Chapel
Catholic:
9:30 a.m. Sunday
Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6:00 p.m. Tuesday
Old Hovey Chapel
Bldg. 3592

Orthodox:

10 a.m 3rd Sundays
Crusader Chapel
Protestant:
10:30 a.m. Sunday

Camp Stanley

Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday
Gospel:
12:30 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
11:30 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
7 p.m. Tuesday

Camp Castle

Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6 p.m. Tuesday

Castle Chapel

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Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday

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Take action against identity theft — Part I

By Capt. Carleton J. Frederici

Camp Casey Legal Assistance Office

Throughout history, criminals have adapted their craft to changing social, legal and technological conditions. A change in the law, a new societal norm or an advancement in technology could usher in a new wave of crime and a new type of criminal.

In post-Civil War America, the open-range land policy and the expansion of the steam railroad, accompanied by the development of the revolving pistol, repeating rifle, and more compact and powerful explosives led to the archetypal western outlaw we all know from movies and TV. The crimes of cattle rustling, train robbing and safe blasting were all made possible and inviting by the society, laws and technology of the era.

Likewise, during the 1920s, the combination of Prohibition; a free-spirited society; improvements in the automobile; and the development of the automatic pistol, rifle and submachine gun influenced both urban and rural crime. Urban bootleggers consolidated and evolved into large well-armed crime syndicates, while rural outlaws became fast-moving highway robbers in the mold of John Dillinger and Bonnie and Clyde.

Today is no exception. In our free and open society, the legal protections of our speech, writing and use of the Internet, along with the advancement of computer and information technology, have led to a new and financially devastating crime — the crime of identity theft. Identity theft may not be as flashy and violent as

some of the aforementioned crime waves, but it is arguably more pervasive in society at large — and it poses a great financial threat to U.S. Servicemembers. The Federal Trade Commission estimates that up to nine million Americans have their identities stolen each year. You may in fact know a Soldier who has been a victim of identity theft.

So what exactly is identity theft? As defined by the FTC, “Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personally identifying information — like your name, Social Security number or credit card number, without your permission — to commit fraud or other crimes.” By using your personal information, identity thieves can gain access to your current credit card and bank accounts, or create new accounts, using the money for their own purposes. Identity thieves may also rent or buy real estate, open cell phone or utility accounts, or apply for an identification card or a driver’s license using your name. These activities can ruin your finances, credit score and good name.

How do identity thieves get access to your personal identifying information? Identity thieves use a range of methods, from high tech to low, to get at your info. On the high-tech end, ID thieves will use techniques called “skimming” and “phishing.” Skimming occurs when you use your credit card to make a purchase and a criminal runs your card through a special electronic storage device to capture your card’s information. Phishing is when a thief poses as a financial institution or company through spam e-mails, Internet pop ups or unsolicited telephone calls. By using this ruse, the thief attempts to fool you into revealing your

personal information.

On the low-tech end, thieves may fill out a change of address card at a post office and have your mail diverted to another address. Then they can access your personal information, make charges on your accounts and delay your reaction to the theft since the bills will no longer come to you. Some thieves get down and dirty, resorting to dumpster diving and rummaging through your trash to find personal information inadvertently thrown away intact. Lastly, criminals may resort to old-fashioned stealing of purses, wallets, mail, employment records, tax information and medical records from persons, homes and places of business.

So what can you do to prevent identity theft? To thwart skimming, be aware of the location of your credit card when making retail purchases. Make sure that it is only run through the store’s official credit card machine and not run on any other scanners or recording devices. To deter phishing scams, don’t give out personal information through the mail, telephone or Internet unless you know who you’re dealing with. Links from unsolicited e-mails should also be avoided. Links from these types of e-mails may go to dummy sites created by criminals. To find a true Web site, type in a Web address you already know is valid from your previous dealings with the company.

Firewalls, anti-virus and anti-spyware software should be used and kept up to date to protect your home computer. Avoid using obvious passwords such as maiden names, consecutive numbers, birth dates or the last four of your Social Security number. To find out more about

Internet security consult the Web site OnGuardOnline.gov.

To prevent the more traditional methods thieves use to get your information, such as mail fraud, theft and dumpster diving, do all you can to secure your information. Protect your Social Security number. Do not carry your Social Security card in your wallet. As a Servicemember, you must also be extra careful to control access to your military paperwork, military driver’s licenses, and IDs as many of these documents also contain your Social Security number. Even when you are home, you should control access to your personal information. Make sure that roommates, houseguests, domestic help or contractors do not have access to your personal information. Ensure that any personal documents or memory storage devices that you dispose of in the trash are properly shredded. To protect your mail make sure that you continue to receive all of your bills and statements from each of the companies that you do business with, to be sure that none of your correspondence is being intercepted by an ID thief.

For further information on identity theft, go to www.ftc.gov and click on the link for identity theft.

A second article on this topic will follow. The next article will explain how to detect the presence of an identity thief, and how to respond if you have become a victim.

If you suspect that you may already be a victim of identity theft, or if you have questions on this topic that cannot wait for the release of the next article, please contact the Camp Casey Legal Assistance Office in room 244 of Maude Hall at 730-3660.

Mighty neighborly



Yu, Hu-Son

Gen. Walter L. Sharp, commander of U.S. Forces Korea, presents the Dr. Horace Grant Underwood Award to retired general Paik, Sun-Yup, the youngest four-star general and most highly decorated ROK Army officer of his time, during the 7th Annual USFK Good Neighbor Awards ceremony held July 24 at the Dragon Hill Lodge in Yongsan. A frontline leader during the Korean War, Paik represented allied forces during the armistice negotiations that produced a ceasefire in the summer of 1953. Paik now serves as an important fund-raiser and motivational speaker addressing military and civic leaders as well as business representatives and students.

DSTB personnel play for ‘Warrior Stakes’

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Warriors perform many training tasks in order to maintain and develop their combat skills.

Personnel from the Division Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division honed their basic Soldiers skills during the summer edition of the quarterly Warrior Stakes Competition, conducted July 14-15 on Camp Red Cloud.

The competition included a number of rigorous events designed to challenge DSTB Soldiers and develop their Warrior skills. Soldiers competed in a variety of basic combat tasks, including “Warrior Physical Fitness” drills; conducting movement to contact; reacting to nuclear, biological and chemical attack; first aid; throwing hand grenades; employing a claymore mine; and conducting a “ruck march.”

The DSTB personnel competed in four-person teams, each of which included a female and a KATUSA Soldier. The teams confronted nature as well as training obstacles and rival Soldiers. Heavy rains and brisk winds pounded the Soldiers all day July 14, challenging their stamina, discipline, ingenuity and skills.

Even the heavy rains couldn’t dampen the Soldiers’ ardor or their can-do spirit. Some of them looked for the bright side of the situation. Warriors crawling through the rain-soaked soccer field across from Division headquarters as part of the movement to contact station, for instance, found advantages in the monsoon conditions.

“The crawl was easier because of the rain,” said Pfc. Jesse Collins of Division intelligence, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, DSTB. “And the Division command sergeant major gave me a coin.”

The challenging environment enhanced the value of the training. Accomplishing tasks and goals in the face of a torrential downpour as well as vigorous competition bolstered DSTB morale.

“I believe this will help us improve our skills,” said Sgt. Arbie Ignatius N. Melendrez, of the Division Fire Support Element, part of HHC, DSTB. “Training like this helps us maintain our ‘Warrior’ skills and increase our morale.”

KATUSA Soldiers, at least one of whom served on every competing team, played a prominent role in the event.

“After a month, it’s my DEROS,” said Sgt. Choi Na Woo of the Division FSE. “It’s very good experience that will always remind me of the importance of teamwork. I’m certain that this experience will be a good memory after my DEROS.”

The sun came out for the second day of the competition, held July 15. Medical skills were on display in the event, conducted appropriately in front of the Troop Medical Clinic. The first aid competition tested skills the Soldiers learned during basic training, advanced classes like the combat lifesaver course and mission experience.

“Soldiers must remember how to do proper first-aid” said Sgt. Kurt Hicks, a senior medic assigned to the TMC. “Attending the proper combat life saver course is important.”

An awards ceremony conducted July 20 recognized achievement during the



A Soldier from the Division Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division dons his protective mask during Warrior Stakes July 15 on Camp Red Cloud.

summer Warrior Stakes. The Division intelligence shop claimed top honors this time. More importantly, the event enhanced readiness and camaraderie in an

important command and control battalion within the Warrior Division. Besides, the other sections have a quarter to train for the next round of Warrior Stakes.



Pfc. Yoon Gyum Kim of Division intelligence aims at “enemies” during the Warrior Stakes competition held July 15 on Camp Red Cloud.

Savvy Soldiers survive summer storm systems

Story & photos by Staff Sgt. Danice Keathley

2nd ID Safety NCOIC

Many 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers, like people in other walks of life, appreciate the natural beauty of lightning, thunder and torrential rain turning calm waters into a rapid river. It is powerful to watch amazing light come out of a dark sky and strike with electrifying command over all that it touches. One strike of lightning can split a tree down the middle or make the hair literally stand up on your head.

The season of potential inundation in Korea is known as the “Changma” — continuous rain period, or monsoon. It lasts from the end of June through early September of each year.

On Camp Red Cloud, water levels in the drainage trenches rose precipitously during several heavy rainstorms, washing away all of the cigarette butts that had been carelessly flung into the trenches, along with tree limbs and any other debris that had fallen in. A small, gentle stream of water usually flows through the trenches; but after five inches of rain in just a few hours, this small amount of water becomes a gushing, muddy river, its force only constrained by the concrete barriers to each side.

It is the small trenches and “turtle ditches” that sometimes overflow. These ditches vary in size and shape, generally following the path of a road or sidewalk. Some turtle ditches are covered with cement, so pedestrians can walk on top of them; others are open, and can represent a hazard, particularly when gushing waters add to the risks of an open ditch.

Now what does everybody do when the rain begins to rapidly fall and there is no end in sight? Commanders execute crisis action measures, known in safety circles as “CAMs,” in response to the current weather situation. Public notification campaigns will communicate threats to life, property and equipment through AFKN TV, radio and the commercial access channel.

Within the Warrior Division footprint, flood CAMs planned by 2nd ID staff also take effect. When the average Soldier or civilian at work, on mission, in quarters or at home receives notification of an emergency, there are Soldiers already working behind the scenes to assure our safety.

If you're at a training range when “FLOODCON” status is identified, cease fire, move to higher ground



Sgt. 1st Class Kenneth Farley and Staff Sgt. Larry Bailey trudge through a field turned into a swamp by torrential rains during the first day of the Warrior Stakes competition July 14 at Camp Red Cloud.

and safeguard government equipment. Fill all water cans and water buffalos with potable water, and position them in unit areas. Check generators, perform any necessary maintenance on them and position them in unit areas.

Quick reaction forces for weather emergencies are designated. Evacuations, establishment of observation points, setting up of signal nodes and coordination for lodging of stranded Soldiers all takes place. Communication with the National Disaster Coordination Center also takes place. Implementation of CAMs is a joint decision of the 2nd ID chief of staff, Area 1 commander and Area III commander.

And finally, we must all do our part by supporting our command and remembering to cooperate with and thank emergency response personnel for the hard work, preparation and trouble that they go through to make

sure we are safe. Just as commanders and leaders conduct timely reconnaissance and risk assessments of training areas prior to using them, we can also prepare for extreme weather conditions and become part of the solution rather than part of the problem. Individual Soldiers and Family members must do their part and minimize their chances of becoming a casualty — otherwise they not only endanger themselves but require emergency personnel to divert precious energy and resources to them.

Stock up and keep at least one week's worth of food and living supplies (like toiletries, hygiene items and special medications) in your home or quarters. Restrict vehicle travel during heavy monsoon-season rains and avoid parking a vehicle along streams or washes. Remember that six inches of fast running water can knock an individual off his feet.

Even if you think a body of water is safe to cross in a vehicle, bear in mind there could have been damage to the surface, particularly on secondary roads. The road surface could have washed away, and all of the sudden what appears to be six inches of water could be a foot. Monitor a good source of news and information, and when you have been advised to evacuate you should do so immediately and not wait. Even if the rain stops, it could be raining upstream from your location.

Division leaders and leaders throughout the military have learned from experiences during previous monsoon seasons and from natural disasters in general. This bolsters their experience and understanding as well as their determination to prevent future losses. All members of the 2nd ID team, Soldiers, Family members, KATUSAs, government civilians and contractors alike, should embrace that commitment.

Lightning, thunder, floods and winds are powerful and beautiful to observe from a distance — but they are extremely persuasive and perilous when they come close.



Water levels at Camp Red Cloud rise precipitously as monsoon rains pound the Uijongbu area July 14.