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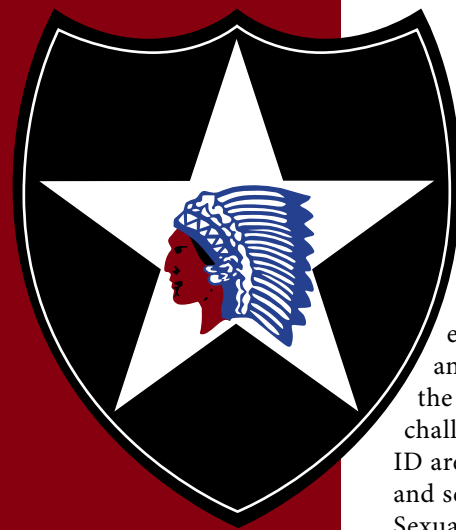
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Throughout our 238 year history, the United States Army has faced a variety of challenges and through leadership and teamwork, we have always met those challenges head on. Similarly, the 2nd Infantry Division has always demonstrated exceptional competence, courage, and resiliency in adapting to the demands of war and other challenges. Today, our Army and 2nd ID are challenged with sexual assault and sexual harassment in our ranks. Sexual assault and sexual harassment cause significant, irreparable harm to our Army, our units, and violates the very trust between Soldiers, as well as with the chain of command. It is contrary to our Army values, the Warrior Ethos, and is an illegal act conducted by "predators" that don't belong in the uniform of our Army. It is up to each of us, general officer to private and all civilian personnel, to solve this problem within our Army by changing the culture and taking care of our teammates. We must remain committed to the safety and security of every Soldier, Civilian, and Family member within 2nd ID.

Recent incidents of sexual assault and sexual harassment within 2nd Infantry Division have demonstrated that we still have some work to do in preventing these hateful crimes that violate everything that the Army stands for. Often, these acts start as sexual harassment that eventually becomes sexual assault. Although it stems from a very small percentage of individuals that don't treat others with the dignity and respect that should be afforded to others, it has a significant impact on the trust and cohesion across our units. We must be watchful for each other, and take action against these abhorrent behaviors that are contrary to our Army Values; such conduct will not be tolerated with Army standards being consistently and continually enforced. We will create a positive climate

and foster an environment of mutual trust and respect in which every individual can contribute to a culture in which our Soldiers, Civilians, and Family members can reach their full potential. It is imperative that we protect potential victims from ever experiencing a sexual crime by reporting those individuals that are intent on preying on others. We must provide compassionate care and protect survivors after a crime has been committed and build a climate of trust in our victims that this chain of command will thoroughly investigate and fully prosecute any of these acts.

Everyone must know that all complaints will be handled quickly and decisively by leaders at every level and that the chain of command is fully accountable to investigate and take action. Our Soldiers, Civilians and Family members must be confident that our system will deliver justice and protection throughout the reporting, investigation, and adjudication process. Leaders at every level and the Criminal Investigation Division must ensure that every allegation of sexual assault and sexual harassment is thoroughly and professionally investigated.

It is our duty to establish a culture of mutual respect, trust, and safety. Leaders must develop systems to "see" their units, and ensure their leadership promotes a positive command climate for all Soldiers. I urge everyone to start a conversation, among leaders, peers, and subordinates, and with Family and friends, to better understand and assist in developing solutions to our problem.

My personal commitment to every Soldier, Family member, and Civilian is that we will investigate every reported sexual assault or harassment incident, while providing compassionate care for victims and protecting their rights and privacy. We will focus on creating a climate of trust and respect where victims feel confident that the chain of command will protect them and take all appropriate legal actions. We will accomplish this by ensuring the chain



Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Vandal
2nd Inf. Div. Commander

of command remains fully engaged through dedicated Commanders and Non-commissioned Officers and by holding leaders at all levels accountable.

In order to ensure that we are resolute in our determination to eliminate sexual assault and sexual harassment from our formations, everyone must conduct themselves as the Army profession demands – competent Soldiers of high moral character that support and execute our prevention policies, training initiatives, and educational programs. This will ensure the chain of command protects and advocates for victims, from the initial report until the victim decides she or he no longer requires assistance.

Sexual assault and sexual harassment have a corrosive effect on our unit readiness, team cohesion and trust, as well as good order and discipline. We are entrusted with the health and welfare of America's sons and daughters; there are no bystanders in this effort! As with most challenges our Army has faced in the past, we will take this issue head on with engaged and caring leadership.

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Sexual Harrassment / Assault Response & Prevention

The 2nd Infantry Division is conducting a Sexual Assault Prevention and Response stand down in accordance with the Army's plan. This is a review of Sexual Assault Response Coordinators, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Victim Advocates and recruiters. During June leaders will be given refresher training followed by all DoD military and civilian personnel. For more information contact your unit SHARP representative or visit www.sexualassault.army.mil.

LEADERS BUILD MENTORSHIP



STORY CONTRIBUTED BY
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Soldiers are hungry for knowledge so it is important for leaders to develop professional and positive ways to mentor and lead.

Everyone has their definition of mentorship and style of mentoring. Here are a couple of Noncommissioned officers who use education and consistency to develop and groom peers and subordinates.

SFC Morris, Timothy, Kimbor dining facility manager in Headquarters Support Company, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion.

A mentor is a well-educated person who has the ability to teach, coach, and guide someone to success. Mentoring someone has become more difficult over the years. Traditionally, mentorship has been past down from an elderly person to a younger person to help facilitate the transition to adulthood.

This has been a common practice used in the United States Army to help our nation's leaders develop subordinates into great leaders. I believe that every Soldier should have a mentor, which will afford them the opportunity to receive a long-lasting educational experience. This will help them learn our history and embrace the Army lifestyle.

The Army's diversity requires leaders be able to communicate with an audience that has different backgrounds. I use explanations, demonstrations and inspirations to connect to my audience. David O. McKay explains it with a quote "education does not consist merely in the acquiring of a few facts of science, history, literature, or art, but in the development of character."

Staff Sgt. Lakeisha Hessel, surgeon general from Company B, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion

I believe that mentorship is an essential attribute for all successful leaders.

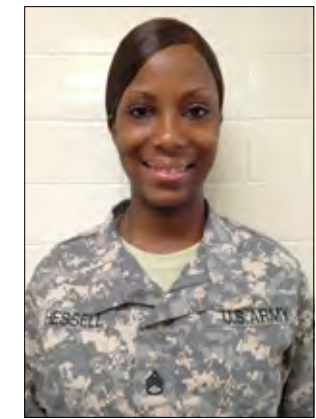
Mentorship involves leaders taking care of Soldiers and ensuring that they provide the proper guidance, discipline, and tools that are needed for Soldiers to have the best opportunities to grow both as a Soldier and as an effective leader.

It is vital for me as a leader, to consistently set the example for Soldiers to ensure that they are positively affected by competent mentorship, and most importantly the Soldiers are taught to pay their positive mentorship experiences forward to the next Soldier.

I truly enjoy mentoring Soldiers and junior leaders and watching them evolve into stronger Soldiers, while accomplishing their goals.

Playing a part in Soldiers' personal and professional success and growth due to great leadership is priceless; and knowing that I've contributed to their success is even more rewarding to me as a leader.

By mentoring Soldiers, this will build the force to be more resilient to fight tonight and win. Please come back next month for more informative ways of learning how to mentor and become a better leader.



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Staff Sgt. Lakeisha Hessel

Division Surgeon's Operation Noncommissioned officer
Courtesy photo



The 2nd Infantry Division welcomed Brig. Gen. Erik C. Peterson, the division's new Deputy Commanding General for Support with a Patch Ceremony, July 16, 2013, at Camp Humphreys, Pyeongtaek, Republic of Korea. (Photo by Pak Chin-u, 2ID PAO)



1ABCT TRAINS ROYAL THAI ARMY UNIT

STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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There are times when everything goes right for Soldiers and then there are many more times when nothing goes right. In this instance, the weather tried to dampen the moods of Soldiers from the United States Army Pacific Command and the Royal Thai Army when it began to downpour on the Soldiers during their mounted and dismounted small squad tactics situational training exercise, June 19.

While living up to one of many U.S. Army motivational phrases, "It's not training unless it's raining," the RTA Soldiers gathered in a wedge formation and pressed forward.

"Hanuman Guardian helps to build camaraderie between units that face the same obstacles on a daily basis," said Staff Sgt. Scott Gay, an Oconomowoc, Wis. native, a squad leader for Company A, 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team. "Bad weather, hard training, and sweating a lot together; that always brings people closer together."

As quietly as can be, the Royal Thai Army crept through the woods looking for the opposition force. As they moved deeper into the heavily wooded area, the RTA Soldiers relied upon hand and arm signals, spacing, and minimizing unnecessary noise until they reached their objective.

"It's extremely important for the Royal Thai Army Soldiers to be prepared during a hasty attack or ambush," said a sergeant first class with the Pacific Special Operations Command. "They also need to know how to identify IEDs (improvised explosive devices) effectively. The opportunity to seize the moment really relies on the ability to know which direction the enemy may or may not have gone."

After advancing several hundred meters, the RTA found their objective. They bounded across an open field, covering each other as they moved. They quickly took out a three-man enemy force and moved to the next location. As they moved their element across a road, they were ambushed by another enemy element. They fell back into a defensive posture and worked out a strategy to suppress the enemy.

"It's interesting to work with another country and

see how they use tactics that are similar to ours, how we can learn from one another, enhance their Soldier skills, and prepare them for fights they may have in the future," said Gay.

Also during the training, the RTA Soldiers learned how to establish an observation post without being seen and call for fire during the mounted portion of the training. The training was new to them, but they worked together and listened to the instructions given to them by their leaders and the USARPAC Soldiers.

"In the beginning, it was hard to get the Thai Soldiers to open up to us. But once we started doing the hands-on exercises, getting down on the ground, showing them how to lay and how we do things; in addition to telling them about our real-world experiences, they seem to open up more and be more receptive to the instructions," said Gay.

Whether rain or shine, dismounted on foot or mounted in a vehicle, the RTA Soldiers continue to move forward and developing their squad tactics along the way.



United States Army Pacific Command Soldiers pause the training with the Royal Thai Army soldiers to discuss possible avenues of approach if attacked by an ambush on the mounted and dismounted squad tactics situational training lane during the Army-to-Army exercise Hanuman Guardian June 19. The RTA soldiers encountered hasty attacks and ambushes while patrolling through the woods during the training.

Royal Thai Army Soldiers walk through a wooded area during their mounted and dismounted squad tactics situational training lane which is a part of the Hanuman Guardian training exercise, June 19. The RTA Soldiers had to overcome enemy small arms fires and multiple ambushes.



Staff Sgt. Omarly Ritter, sample team leader, 501st Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear Explosive Company, 23rd Chemical Battalion, observes sampling and analytics procedures during a training exercise May 31 at Rodriguez Live Fire Range Complex, South Korea. Ritter led one of four sample teams participating in this training exercise.

(Below) First Lt. Jessica Hernandez, assistant team leader, 501st Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives Company, works alongside Republic of Korea Army Soldier, during a training exercise May 31 at Rodriguez Live Fire Range Complex.



Soldiers of the 501st Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear Explosive Company exit a Boeing CH-47 Chinook aircraft during a training exercise May 31 at Rodriguez Live Fire Range Complex.

501ST CBRNE CO JOIN FORCES WITH 24TH ROKA BN

STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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As part of a strong U.S. and Republic of Korea alliance, joint training exercises are often conducted to improve proficiency and cohesion between both military forces. Establishing rapport and good communication while completing missions keeps both forces well prepared to "fight tonight" and fight together.

Soldiers assigned to the 501st Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Company, 23rd Chemical Battalion, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team participated in a combined training exercise with the 24th Republic of Korea Army Chemical Battalion, May 28-31 at the Rodriguez Live Fire Range Complex.

"Four CBRN Response Teams, consisting of 15 U.S. Soldiers per team, performed combined missions with the 24th ROKA Chemical Bn.," said Maj. Rogelio A. Pineda, Company Commander, 501st CBRNE Company. "Establishing a command post, gaining initial site characterization, executing a target and performing chemical and biological sampling

and analytics were all tasks associated with the mission."

During a highlighted portion of the combined mission, the unit also conducted an air movement to the objective, which involved sling-loading two HMMWVs (Humvees) to a Boeing CH-47 Chinook aircraft.

"It was a good chance to learn more about each other and share information about training procedures and equipment," said Lt. Col. Yoo Jae Hoon, Bn. Commander, 24th ROKA Chemical Bn.

Though both units' specialty is CBRN technical escort, which entails chemical and biological sampling and analytics, this only marks their second training event as a combined force.

They trained together as they would fight together, building on a historic partnership and educating each other on their respective capabilities. Both units contributed greatly to the big picture involving the U.S. and South Korea, by displaying a shared desire to strive for excellence and remain efficient as they worked side-by-side during this joint exercise.



501st Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear and Explosives Company Soldier poses for a photo during a training exercise May 31 at Rodriguez Live Fire Range Complex. The Soldier was a member of one of the four CBRNE response teams conducting missions throughout the exercise.



Air Force 1st Sgt. Phillip B. Nissen, with the 8th Fighter Wing, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron poses for a photo with his big brother, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Scott W. Nissen a brigade master gunner with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade during a joint Army, Air Force exercise, July 7.

ARMY, AIR FORCE SIBLINGS UNITE IN JOINT TRAINING EXERCISE

**STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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The Air Force once operated with Army ground troops in one service component called the Army Air Corps. Then on July 26, 1947, President Harry S. Truman officially established the Air Force, permanently separating the nation's air forces from ground forces.

Today we recognize the Army as a force that provides ground forces for the nation while the Air Force's mission is to fly, fight and win in air, space and cyberspace. Though the Army Air Corps separated into two distinctly different services, the Army still utilizes rotary and fix wing assets to accomplish its mission.

During the 4th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Aviation Regiment, and 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade's joint live-fire exercise over water with the 25th Fighter Squadron, green once again reunited with blue in more than one way.

While pilots from both services shot missiles into a small island called Jik-Do, two brothers were making their way to see one another.

Air Force 1st Sgt. Phillip B. Nissen, with the 8th Fighter Wing, 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and Army Chief Warrant Officer 5 Scott W. Nissen, a brigade master gunner with Headquarters and Headquarters Com-

pany, 2nd CAB greeted each other on a bustling runway filled with F-16 fighter jets, A-10 Thunderbolt II jets and AH-64D Longbow Apache helicopters.

It would be easy to believe it was fate that these siblings came into contact with each other during the exercise, but on this occasion it was they who seized the moment of opportunity to reunite. Not only was it a chance for the two brothers to see each other, but also it gave Scott a chance to show off the aircraft he has flown during his career to his little brother.

The brothers, originally from Dothan, Ala., come from a family rich with military service. They share a military bond with their siblings, parents and grandparents who all serve or have served in the Army, Air Force and Navy.

"We do have a long history of family

serving in the military," said Phillip. "It's not something that was forced on them but some stayed longer than others. It's a pretty neat family tradition."

Just like any military operation, prior planning is key.

"Right before I left on mid-tour to see my family in the states for 30 days, it just so happens that my brother was coming down here to Kunsan Air Base for the hellfire missile shoot," said Phillip referring to the type of missiles the Apache helicopters shoot at the Jik-Do range site.

"We coordinated about a month in advance to meet up and he was able to get me and my commander up on a Black Hawk helicopter and I was able to see what he does."

Serving is something these brothers take to heart as the duo served a collective, 39 years of service so far. For

each of the two brothers their career in the military has a special meaning that is unique for him.

"It's made me who I am today," said Scott. "Military values are a great way to mold your life. Everything I have today is because of the military; my wife, my children, my career."

Everything I have I can attribute to the Army. Without the Army, I would not have any of this my life would be completely different had I not joined the Army."

"I've always enjoyed serving and giving back," said Phillip. "It's unique to be able to provide for your family doing something you love to do. Freedom comes with a price and the people who wear the uniform understand that."

The brothers will soon again part paths as they travel in different directions across the world never forgetting the opportunity and experience they shared in Korea. Scott will leave Korea to work at Fort Rucker, Ala., and his younger brother will leave to work at Raimstein Air Base, Germany this year.

"Every once in a while the stars will align and things just work out," said Phillip. "It was a really unique opportunity to be able to be over here, serving our country and provide that service to our country but do it with your big brother sharing BH4L [brother hood for life]."



An AH-64 Longbow Apache helicopter taxis the runway as a F-16 Fighter jet takes off during a joint Army, Air Force exercise.

SOLDIERS' SACRIFICES HONORED

**STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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Nestled in the serene rolling green hills of Jochiwon rests a memorial statue dedicated to the Soldiers of the 21st Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division and the sacrifices they made delaying the north Korean Army's southern advance. This allowed what remained of a shattered resistance to regroup and eventually take back their homeland from the invading army but with a significant price. In total the unit suffered 517 casualties during the three days of battle. They were fighting for a country not their own but each one willing to sacrifice their lives to ensure South Korea's survival.

"I am part of the Korean War generation and I really experienced the Korean War," said Jung, Tae Jo, the president of the Seijong chapter of the Korean Military Merit Award Association, who fought in the Korean War earning two Hwarang Military Distinguished Service Medals. "U.S. Soldiers who have nothing related with our country sacrificed themselves here just to defend us."

This year made the eighth time the members of the Korean Military Merit Association (Seijong Chapter) have held the annual Gaemi Hill Memorial Ceremony located near Jochiwon, for the fallen Soldiers with the support of Seijong city.

"What I thought was U.S. and Korea should repay the U.S. Soldiers' sacrifice," said Jung. "If it were not for their sacrifice there would be no Korea now, so, I thought someone should be responsible for the debt.

Then I thought Seijong city and Korea Military Merit Awards Association Seijong chapter should take the lead."

The event began with the U.S. and South Korean national anthems being played by the Korean Army's 32nd Division's military band and was followed by a moment of silence for the Soldiers lost at the historic site. As the Korean War veterans and the U.S. Soldiers bowed their heads, memories of the lives lost floated in the thoughts of those in attendance. It was a sobering moment that made at least one Soldier in attendance understand the depth of sacrifice that is sometimes required as a Soldier.

"I feel like it [memorial] is something that needs to be done to honor those who are not here anymore and pay our respect," said Pvt. Joshua Gordon, from Ann Arbor, Mich. assigned to the Company E, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion, 2nd CAB. "Memorials kind of wake you up to the fact that this is a hazardous job where you might be asked to go to war and give your life."

The silence was then broken with the thunderous sound of gun fire as the Korean 32nd Div., 1970 Corps, 7th Battalion firing squad conducted their 27-gun salute and signaled the beginning of the floral tribute and burning of incense. One by one the various participants walked up to the memorial and placed a white rose at its feet, burned the incense, and gave a respectful salute in a show of gratitude for shedding their blood in service to their country and the Korean people.

"The purpose of the memorial is to look back upon sacrificed Soldiers with respect and affection," said Jung. "The floral tribute is important because it is some-

thing we do to repay their favor and to show respect."

The ceremony ended with addresses given by the mayor of Seijong, Yu, Han-Sik, Jung, and the commander of 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, Col. Walter T. Rugen. While all the speeches praised the Soldiers of the 21st Inf. Reg., and the other Soldiers lost during the Korean War, Rugen's words highlighted our nation's commitment to our allies of more than 60 years.

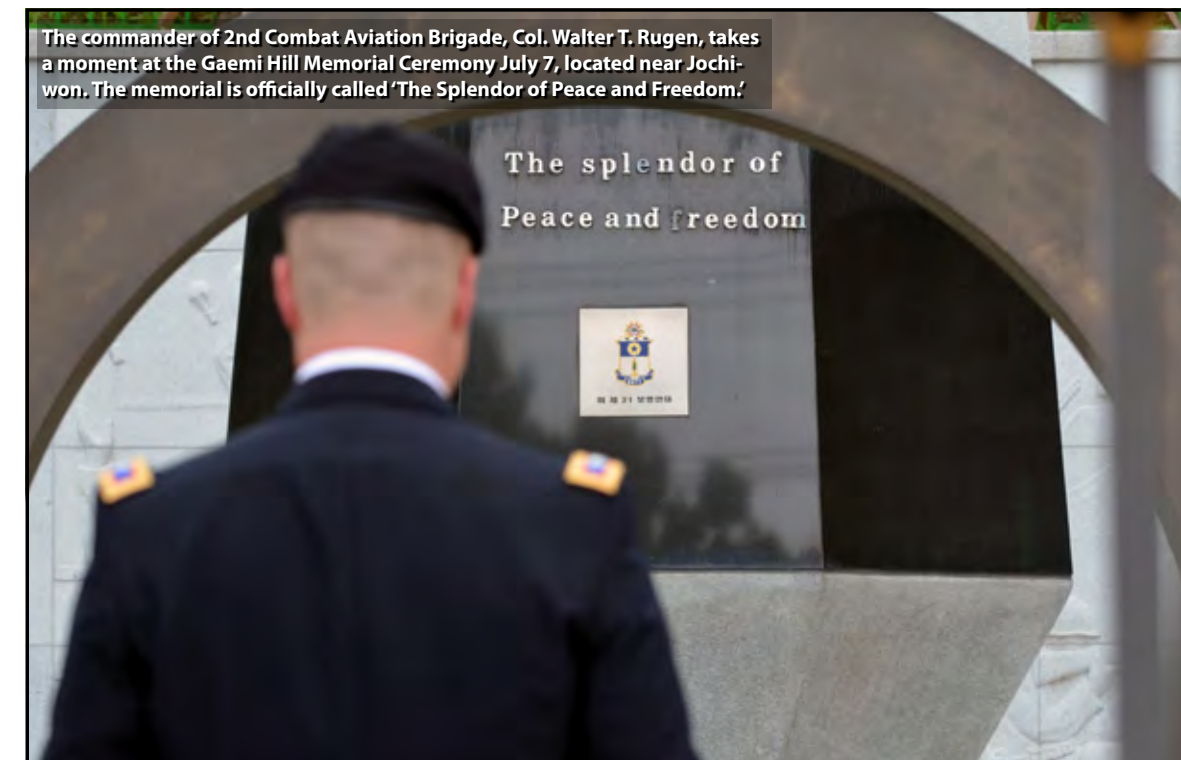
"Sixty years ago a bond between the militaries of our two nations was formed that stands as one of the strongest in the world today," said Rugen. "We share that close bond of arms and we are joined by a common set of democratic values needed to guarantee success in the future. As a Soldier I get the opportunity to train alongside your army and I am part of this great alliance. I am very proud of that."

While this year's memorial ceremony is now complete, the commitment to the Soldiers that were lost still lives in Jung's heart. He has special plans for the future of the memorial and their decedents.

"There will be a lot of construction going on at this facility because people should know about U.S. and Korea's relationship," said Jung. "I also hope tourists from the U.S. come and visit this site and feel like Korea is a country who knows to repay another's favor and I want this place to be the best place that praises the U.S.'s distinguished service in Korea. I'm also planning to establish a scholarship just for 24th Inf. Div., I will give it to descendants of 24th Inf. Div., who fought in the Korean War. I dream that they go all around the world and feel that Korea is a friend."



The Korean 32nd Div., 1970 Corps, 7th Battalion firing squad conduct a 27-gun salute July 11, during the Gaemi Hill Memorial Ceremony located near Seijong City.



The commander of 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, Col. Walter T. Rugen, takes a moment at the Gaemi Hill Memorial Ceremony July 7, located near Jochiwon. The memorial is officially called 'The Splendor of Peace and Freedom'.



Jung, Tae Jo, (right) the president of the Seijong chapter of the Korean Military Merit Award Association, and the commander of 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, Col. Walter T. Rugen, salute during the playing of the national anthems during the Gaemi Hill Memorial Ceremony July 11, located near Seijong City.



Spc. Armando Avila and Spc. Anthony Strauch, both assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, help fight fire with ROKA Soldiers and fire fighters. (courtesy photo)

US, ROK SOLDIERS FIGHT FIRE



STORY BY
STAFF SGT CARLOS R. DAVIS
210 FIB PUBLIC AFFAIRS

What started as a simple mission to set up a couple of military vehicles and answer basic questions from spectators turned out to be a whirlwind turn-of-events for two Soldiers assigned to Battery C, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery, 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division.

Spc. Armando Avila, from San Diego, Calif., a multiple launch rocket system crewmember, and Spc. Anthony Strauch, from Hazlehurst, Ga., a multiple launch rocket system operations and fire direction specialist, assisted local citizens to extinguish a house fire at the Ottogi Festival in Ildong, Pocheon June 8.

"On the second day while we were there, Strauch and I were with our counterpart, Cpl. Jo, a Republic of Korea Army soldier assigned to the 8th Division, and we were walking down the festival looking at the displays and tents," said Avila. "While we were walking, we saw a big cloud of black smoke, fresh black smoke, and a firefighter running towards it. So my natural instinct was to follow and see if we could help."

Avila and Strauch sprang into action and helped out where they were needed.

"We wanted to make sure everyone was okay," said Avila. "The flames were growing. The house was burning quickly. Everyone around didn't know what to do. Women were crying and everyone else was just watching. So we started telling everyone to get back. The biggest thing was to get the children back away from the smoke and flames."

The U.S. and ROK Soldiers assessed the situation as they worked together to contain the fire.

"I'm thankful we had Jo with us at the time," said Avila. "He was translating everything we said to the people; it was amazing how we worked together."

Avila and Strauch believe the Korean people would have done the same for Americans; for anyone in the same situation.

"It was the right thing to do," Avila said. "Being here is like being part of a family, and I believe they would do the same for us."

As members of the U.S. and ROK Alliance, the Soldiers were able to show the local population their commitment to this country's safety. Strauch added he would gladly do it again if he needed too.

A mission that was supposed to be just a simple static display turned out to be a story that these brave Soldiers can tell for a lifetime.

"Once we felt like everything was under control, we walked away and returned to our static display," said Avila. "We took pictures with the citizens, answered questions about the MLRS, and pretty much tried to build a positive relationship with them."



Spc. Armando Avila(left) and Spc. Anthony Strauch(right), stand in front of the 210 Fires Brigade Warrior Thunder sign. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Carlos R. Davis of 210th Fires Brigade PAO)

JSA BATTALION'S NINTH BIRTHDAY

SOLDIERS CELEBRATE WITH
JSA ROK ARMY BATTALION'S NINTH
ANNIVERSARY OF ACTIVATION



STORY BY
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210TH FIB PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Korean Demilitarized Zone is known for statue-like guards, visiting foreign dignitaries and north Korean guards watching through binoculars as giant north and South Korean flags wave overhead.

Yet for one special afternoon there was a change of venue. Filling the air was the smell of grilling food, the sounds of music, children and a full summer carnival.

U.S. and Republic of Korea Soldiers and Families serving at the JSA on the Demilitarized Zone, the 4 kilometer-wide border between north and South Korea and the front line of South Korean defense.

The combined U.S. and ROK JSA battalion festival was part of three-days of sporting competitions and family fun that lasted until July 1 with a formal ceremony to recognize all Soldiers serving at the JSA on the Demilitarized Zone, the 4 kilometer-wide border between north and South Korea and the front line of South Korean defense.

"We are a combined unit under the United Nations Command flag," said Lt. Col. Daniel Edwan, commander, United Nations Command Security Battalion-JSA. "Four or five times a year we are commemorating those that died here, so I wanted to have a celebration for those who are here serving right now, and I believe they deserve it."

The Freedom-Victory Day festival had a carnival-like atmosphere that gave Soldiers an opportunity to relax and enjoy the beginning of summer with friends and family. They enjoyed inflatable slides,



Soldiers from the Joint Security Area Republic of Korea Army Battalion perform during the Super Star JSA Noraebang competition at the Freedom-Victory Day festival June 30. The Families and Soldiers from the combined ROK-U.S. battalion enjoyed activities and dinner together and celebrated the strong bond they share. (Photos by Cpl. Kim Han-byeol, 210th Fires Brigade PAO)

bounce houses, a dunk tank, water guns and barbeque with a traditional Korean dinner.

"It's actually nice that there is a family day," said Erica Andersen, wife of Spc. Ryan Andersen, a signal support systems specialist, both from Dallas, Texas. "Doing activities and seeing Families makes you feel like you are a part of the military. It makes you feel special."

Throughout the afternoon, Soldiers and Families watched Nanta – a traditional Korean drums and dance performance, Mr. JSA fitness competition, Super Star JSA Noraebang competition, and performances by the Paju city band and a band of U.S. Soldiers.

"I think it's really important to do Freedom-Victory Day. It brings the cohesion between the ROK and U.S. Soldiers," said Sgt. Andrew Wilson, a security escort and human resources noncommissioned officer in charge with UNCSB-JSA, from Pittsburgh, Penn.

The event was an opportunity to celebrate the combined ROK and U.S. Army units and the strong bond between its Soldiers and Families.

"Being combined gives us advantages in exploiting the ROK-U.S. Alliance because we have it down to the individual level," said Edwan. "We wanted to go to the next layer and create significant deep roots with these Soldiers and their Families, and know that we're all the same on the inside."

"We may come from different countries, but we're all here for one reason," he continued.

The combined U.S. and ROK JSA battalions concluded the three-day celebration with a formal ceremony to mark the ninth anniversary of the JSA ROKA Battalion activation.

Senior leaders from the United Nations Supervisory Commission, the ROK Ministry of Unification, and 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division gathered to recognize the history and tradition of service in the JSA. Maj. Gen. Chun In-bum, the South Korean Senior Member of the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission, presided over the ceremony.

"Regardless of the situation, we have maintained our combat readiness posture, and through perfect teamwork, were able to carry out the grave responsibility of defending the nation and the very front," said Lt. Col. Yoon Bong-hee, JSA ROKA Battalion commander.

The combined battalion is the embodiment of the ROK-U.S. alliance, standing ready to Fight Tonight to deter and defeat the north Korean threat to the Republic of Korea.



The Joint Security Area holds a ceremony for the 9th anniversary of the JSA Republic of Korea Army Battalion activation on Camp Bonifas, South Korea July 1. The ceremony celebrated all U.S. and ROK Soldiers in the JSA for fulfilling a noble mission of protecting the nation and serving at the very front. (Photos by Cpl. Kim Han-byeol, 210th Fires Brigade PAO)



Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, check their masks during CBRN training June 6, on Camp Casey.

SURVIVE IN A CHEMICAL ENVIRONMENT



U.S. Soldiers of Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Fires Brigade, don their protective gear during Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear training June 6, on Camp Casey.

210TH FIRES BRIGADE SOLDIERS CONDUCT CBRN TRAINING



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210TH FIB PUBLIC AFFAIRS

"When I first inhaled in the gas chamber, it was like my throat was collapsing and choking. It got harder to breathe," said Pfc. Jacob Furman, a signal support systems specialist assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division. "The chamber was kept dark, so it was scary. I had a burning sensation on my skin."

Soldiers from HHB conducted a mask confidence chamber and operational decontamination training on Camp Casey, South Korea, June 6, 2013. The purpose of this training was to teach Soldiers the knowledge and skills to survive Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear attacks.

"Through this training, Soldiers will be proficient in dealing with a chemical environment and know how to decontaminate themselves and their equipment," said Sgt. 1st Class Barry Miller, from Sumter, S. C., the 210th Fires Bde. chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear noncommissioned officer in charge.

A few weeks before the training, Soldiers from different sections volunteered to organize a decontamination team. They learned and practiced decontamination and vehicle wash down.

"Our decon team gathered four times over the past three weeks," said Pfc. Song Jae-ik, from Seoul, South Korea, an information technology specialist assigned to HHB. "Our mission is to detect contamination on Soldiers and vehicles, and if they are contaminated, it is our job to decontaminate them."

In the morning, Soldiers conducted round robin training, consisting of several different CBRN stations: using detection equipment, properly wearing joint service lightweight integrated suit technology, wearing the protective mask and using M9 detector paper, immediate decontamination, Mission Oriented Protective Posture gear exchange, and the mask confidence chamber. In the first half of the training, Soldiers learned different decontamination techniques to prepare for the second half of the day.

"The gas chamber reminded me of CBRN training that I did in ROK Army basic training about a month ago," said Pvt. Sohn Jung-seok, from Yongin, South Korea, a human resources specialist assigned to HHB. "When I first saw the gear, I didn't know its importance. But after I went through the gas chamber, I realized the importance and functions of the gear."

Soldiers conducted operational decontamination during the afternoon. They exchanged MOPP gear and washed down vehicles based on what they learned in the morning. For the decontamination team, they put to use the skills they had practiced for the past three weeks.

"The gas chamber made me nervous, but I could make my mental strength stronger," said Sohn. "This training was helpful and worthwhile. I am looking forward to our next CBRN training."

The CBRN training ensures 210th Fires Brigade Soldiers are ready to fight tonight to be able to defend the Republic of Korea and protect the alliance under any conditions.



Soldiers from 210th Fires Brigade and citizens of Dongducheon enjoy playing soccer June 8 on Camp Casey.

SOCCER GAME BUILDS COMMUNITY RELATIONS



STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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210TH FIB PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Soldiers and citizens showcased the partnership as one community, living Katchi Kapshida.

Soldiers from 210th Fires Brigade and citizens of Dongducheon, Korea played in a good neighbor soccer game June 8 on Camp Casey.

"By playing sports with the citizens of Dongducheon, this event provides a chance for everyone to meet and understand each other," said Kim Tok-ki, an editor and sports writer for Sports of Korea.

According to Capt. Robert Auletta, from Massapequa, N.Y., the commander of A Battery, 1st Battalion, 38th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, an event of this nature allows Soldiers and civilians a chance to share their culture and erase the bad image which some citizens might have of American Soldiers.

"It allows us to interact with the citizens of Dongducheon and enjoy a friendly game of soccer and get to know one another and grow as a community," said Auletta.

Soldiers and civilians alike, understand the importance of having a good relationship with each other.

It is hard for everyone to get along, but the majority of the citizens here in Korea enjoy the American Soldiers, according to Kim.

"The Korean people are very nice," added Pfc. Matthew Burian, a multiple launch rocket system crewmember from Wayne, N.J. who is also assigned to Battery A. "A lot of them approach my friends and I, and thank us for being here," he said.

Events like this can help the two cultures better understand one another.

"We had some trouble in the past, but this type of event allows us to show that we are not all bad people," said Burian. "We make mistakes sometimes

but we are here for a good reason and not to cause trouble."

Something as simple as a soccer game enhances the relationship between U.S. Soldiers and Korean citizens and ends with hopes of a stronger future together.

"I hope U.S. Soldiers and the citizens of Dongducheon continue to work together more in the future and continue to build on their relationship," said Kim.

The game was competitive, however, the two teams weren't concerned about the final score.

"At the end of the day, it really doesn't matter who wins this game," said Auletta. "It's nice that we are able to do something together other than work or train."

After the match, the two teams, along with military and civilian spectators, gathered around picnic tables to share a traditional barbecue meal and friendly conversation.

By the end of the event, new friendships were created and old ones were rekindled, strengthening the alliance and building trust within the two cultures.



Soldiers from 210th Fires Brigade who participated in the soccer game take a photo with Dongducheon citizens June 8.

THE FORGOTTEN WAR: REMEMBERING WAR HISTORY

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July marks the anniversary month of the Korean Armistice Agreement that ceased the Korean War and the 63rd anniversary of the alliance U.S. forces have with South Korea.

Political differences and the inability to hold free elections throughout the Korean peninsula inevitably led to war.

The Korean War began June 25, 1950 when Communist north Korea invaded South Korea.

Chinese interventions changed the course of the war and lead a resounding defeat to the U.S. Eighth Army and 2nd Infantry Division and caused them to retreat behind the 38th Parallel in late Nov. 1950. After going back-and-forth across the 38th parallel, the fighting stalled and more and more casualties mounted with nothing to show for them. American officials worked anxiously to figure out some sort of armistice with the north Koreans. Finally the fighting ceased.

After three years, one month and two days of combat, the Korean Armistice Agreement was signed. On the morning of July 27, 1953, senior delegates met at Panmunjom, located in Gyeonggi Province.

The KAA was signed by Communist and United Nations delegates in Panmunjom; U.S. Army Lt. Gen. William Harrison Jr., who represented United Nation Command and north Korea Gen. Nam Il who represented the north Korean People's Army and the Chinese People's Volunteer Army.

The armistice was designed to "insure a complete cessation of hostilities and all acts of armed force in Korea until a final peaceful settlement is achieved. No 'final peaceful settlement' has been achieved yet." Although South Korea did not sign the agreement, they do follow it.

"The Armistice is just a peaceful illusion, meaning that the war hasn't ended yet" said Private Lee, Joo Han, a Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army or KATUSA soldier assigned to the 2nd Inf. Div., Museum. "I am looking forward to the unification as one nation. Until then, I will put effort to serve my nation as a Soldier."

Today, the Alliance between the U.S. Forces and the Republic of Korea remains strong and the bond between the two has strengthened over the past 60 years.

"We [U.S. Soldiers and KATUSA] belong here today by the blood shed by our courageous ancestors who deemed it worthy to throw their bodies to protect the sovereignty of our nation and establish peace for us," said Lee.



Fighting with the 2nd Infantry Division north of the Chongchon River, Sgt. 1st Class Major Cleveland, weapons squad leader, points out communist-led north Korean position to his machine gun crew November 20, 1950. (Photo by Pfc. James Cox)

After 63 years the U.S. has not withdrawn its military commitment from South Korea and continues to show its commitment to the ROK's security. The Alliance between the U.S. and ROK ensures stability for the region, and the growing international security collaboration benefits the global community as well.

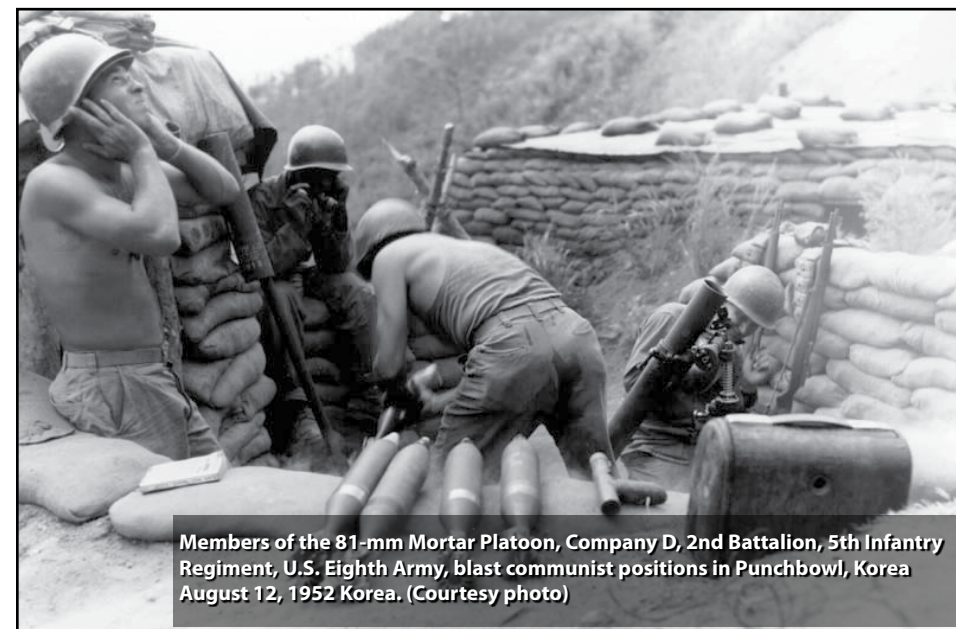
Over the last 50 years, South Korea experienced astounding economic, political and military growth, and has substantially reduced its dependency on the U.S. "Since the Armistice was signed, the Democratic

People's Republic of Korea has remained an impoverished and a backwards country, while the Republic of Korea has become a thriving, economically powerful, democracy," said Michael F. Davino national president of the Second Indianhead Division Association Inc., N.C. chapter. "The sacrifices made by our Korean War veterans and the subsequent service of the 2nd Inf. Div., and other U.S. Forces in Korea, since the Armistice was signed has been key factors in the successful development of the ROK."

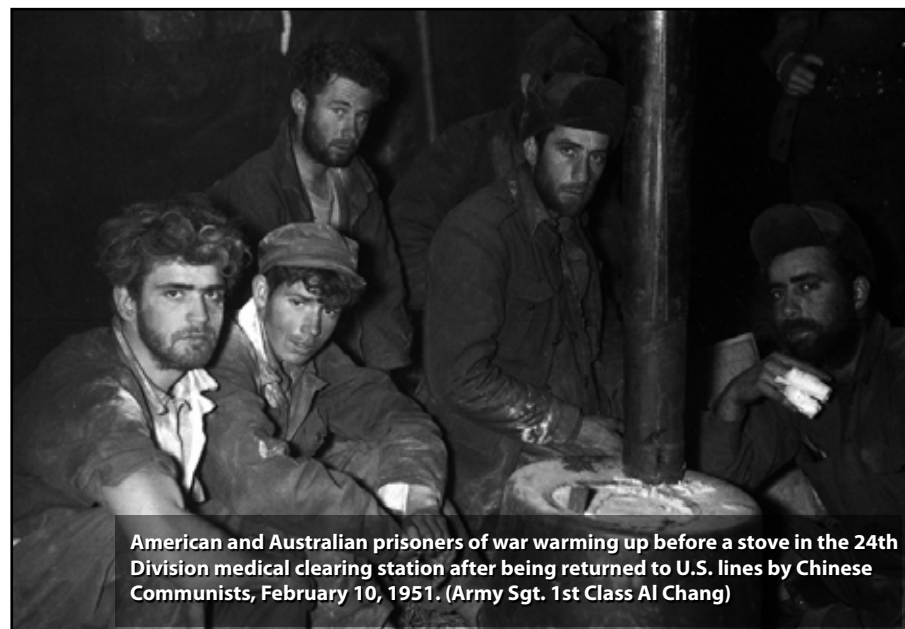
War veterans are proud of the continuance of friendship and the camaraderie between the U.S. and ROK.

"I'm proud to this day, of how the relationship between the ROK and the U.S. has strengthened and will continue to be a strong force," said Charles Roy Burnham, Army veteran that served in the Korean War February 8, 1951 to November 8, 1952 as an Infantryman.

The relationship between the two forces exists outside of the uniform. Currently 2nd Inf. Div., sponsors programs for Soldiers, their Families and U.S. civilians as a way to strengthen the U.S. and ROK Alliance. Together they are given the opportunity to not only help fight and defend, but are offered programs such as the Head Start Program, to enhance the understanding of Korean culture, language and history.



Members of the 81-mm Mortar Platoon, Company D, 2nd Battalion, 5th Infantry Regiment, U.S. Eighth Army, blast communist positions in Punchbowl, Korea August 12, 1952 Korea. (Courtesy photo)



American and Australian prisoners of war warming up before a stove in the 24th Division medical clearing station after being returned to U.S. lines by Chinese Communists, February 10, 1951. (Army Sgt. 1st Class Al Chang)



Men of the 3rd Ranger Company, 3rd Infantry Division, adjust their gear before undertaking a dawn patrol across the Imjin River, Korea April 17, 1951. (Courtesy photo)

Soldier returns to uphold family legacy

STORY BY
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Staff Sgt. Corey G. Brimmer
Human Resources Specialist
(Photo by Sgt. Ange Desinor)

Grandfather and grandson serving the 2nd Infantry Division Alliance fight from the Korean War to current date.

Charles R. Burnham served in the Army from February 8, 1951 to November 8, 1952 as a Private First Class Technical Infantryman in Company B, 9th Infantry Regiment (Manchu), 2nd Infantry Division.

He was born November 7, 1927 in Canada. He grew up on a farm and continued farming until he enlisted in the Army. While married to Rosemary Burnham, they had five children, one son and four daughters.

One of Burnham's daughters, Diane Ramsey from Adams, N.Y., has a son, Staff Sgt. Corey G. Brimmer, who is serving as a human resources specialist in Headquarters Support Company, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, currently serving in the 2nd Infantry Division. Brimmer initially enlisted in the Army April 3, 2002 as a cavalry scout before becoming a human resources specialist in 2009.

"I knew very little about my grandfather's career, only that he was in the Korean War," said Brimmer. "My grandfather being in the Army was only part of the reason I wanted to be in the Army, I have always felt the Army was my calling."

The Korean War veteran, Burnham had a very different service experience in the Land of the Morning Calm.

Three months after arriving to Korea, Burnham sustained injuries from two different shrapnel wounds. He was wounded for the third time September 19, 1951, when he was shot in his leg.

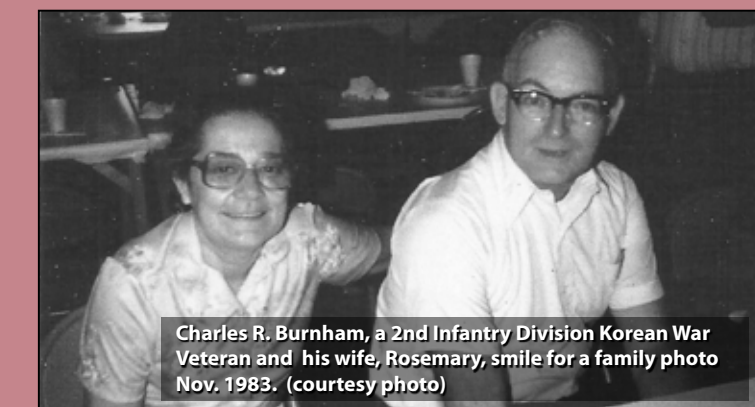
"I was willing to sacrifice my life and lend a hand to people I didn't even know," Burnham said. "I'm proud to this day of the relationship between the U.S. and Republic of Korea, which has strengthened and will continue to be a strong force."

Burnham was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, United Nations Service Medal, Korean Service Medal with one Bronze star and the Purple Heart.

Like his grandfather, Brimmer has deployed. He served in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom twice, 2003-2004 and 2006-2007, and once in Operation Enduring Freedom 2010.

"I requested to come to Korea to be able to visualize what hardships [my grandfather] had to overcome like weather and terrain in comparison to my past combat experiences," said Brimmer. "I feel connected with him by just being in the same area he fought."

Generations fighting in the same area symbolizes our evolving mission to fight tonight along with our Alliance.



Charles R. Burnham, a 2nd Infantry Division Korean War Veteran and his wife, Rosemary, smile for a family photo Nov. 1983. (courtesy photo)

TREATING OUR ALLIANCE WITH RESPECT



STORY AND PHOTOS BY
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The bottom line do not disrespect or discriminate anyone because of his or her race, color, religion, gender or national origin; it will not be tolerated by any command in the 2nd Infantry Division.

Leaders at all levels have an equal opportunity office to address any of those issues.

However, in 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team seems they may no longer need the services of their equal opportunity office. This is because the Noncommissioned officers of the cavalry unit have done an outstanding job in correcting discriminatory actions among Soldiers.

Staff Sgt. Ramzi H. Jawon and Sgt. William W. Peeks Jr., both cavalry scouts of Company A, received letters of appreciation from the Republic of Korea Army Support Group for their effort to improve the equal opportunity of Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army soldiers July 11.

Jawon and Peeks efforts helped to solve misunderstandings and conflicts between KATUSAs and U.S. Soldiers.

In order to present the letters of appreciation to the two Soldiers, Area I ROKA Support Group commander, Lt. Col. Kim, Jong-uk paid a visit to Camp Hovey. The 4th Squadron, 7th Cav., command



(From left) Lt. Col Kim Jong-uk, Sgt. William W. Peeks, Staff Sgt. Ramzi H. Jawon, Lt. Col. Jeffery P. Gottlieb display reward after ceremony, July 11.

team, Lt. Col. Jeffery P. Gottlieb and Command Sergeant Maj. Kim W. Bradshaw attended the ceremony to congratulate and thank the NCOs for their dedication to the professional behavior and education of the units' members, U.S. and Korean.

Since the KATUSA program is executed only in the U.S. and ROK Alliance, meaning that American Soldiers' only opportunity to work alongside Korean Soldiers is in Korea, so many U.S. Soldiers are not familiar with it. That is why U.S. Soldiers sometimes do not understand it and that leads to conflicts.

"There were some U.S. Soldiers who have been disrespectful to KATUSAs, and we tried to stop it from happening," said Peeks. "For example a Soldier,

who was new to Korea, disrespected a KATUSA NCO. Sergeant Jawon and I immediately went down the barracks and addressed it."

Peeks explained, "The Soldier thought that the KATUSAs' rank was not equal to our rank. We explained the KATUSA program. We told him that he has to respect KATUSA corporals, they are Noncommissioned officers, and it doesn't matter if he is in the Korean army, or the United States Army," said Jawon. "I told him that he should get to know the KATUSAs that work and train alongside us."

The EO duo of Jawon and Peeks make it a point to gather new U.S. Soldiers in the 4th Squadron, 7th Cav. and explain the KATUSA program and introduce Korean Soldiers who are currently serving in their units.

"They are great NCOs, who try to treat Soldiers equally and teach us ways to get along with each other," said Cpl. Song, Young-myung, scout cavalry of Company A. "I work really hard to achieve the same recognition and respect as a Soldier, and it feels really good when they treat us as fellow Soldiers and friends."

The EO team knows their efforts in building trust and camaraderie, which directly affects their unit's mission to fight and win. The recognition by the ROKA leadership and the support of their command helps enforce their commitment.

SERVICE MEMBERS, FAMILIES MANAGE CHILD CARE OVERSEAS



STORY BY
**SGT ANGE DESINOR AND
PFC KIM, DONG-SU**
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Many Soldiers regardless of rank go through similar issues when dealing with childcare overseas.

There are two types of tours for service members assigned to 2nd Infantry Division; accompanied or unaccompanied. Service members that decide to serve in Korea face unique challenges but discover or tailor unique solutions.

For those Soldiers who have children with them in Korea, often they spend less time with them, leaving most of the care giving within the hands of others.

"My 2-year-old daughter is with a baby sitter close to Camp Red Cloud," said Command Sgt. Maj. Ann Sydnor, senior enlisted leader, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion. "Because Camp Red Cloud doesn't have a day care, it's difficult to put her in day care all the way on Camp Casey."

The Sydnor Family is dual-military, both parents serve in the military. Between Sydnor and her husband, a first sergeant stationed at Camp Casey, there are many early mornings and late nights because both currently serve in leadership positions. Plus, if their daughter gets sick, the work situation can get even more complicated with covering down on childcare. According to Sydnor, her husband's duty is tedious and it works out better if their child stays with a babysitter close to Sydnor near CRC. OR Her husband's duty is tedious and both agreed it would work out better if their daughter stayed with a sitter closer to her office.

"The biggest challenge that my husband and I face as parents is that we're both in senior leadership positions that usually causes us to work at least 14-hour days and that is a huge challenge to have someone else raise your child all those hours, everyday," said Sydnor.

Children of dual military parents can often spend a

great deal of time in the care of others, they learn early on how to be responsible and independent.

"I believe that most military children gain a sense of discipline and resiliency in a military household," said Sydnor.

Other Soldiers are able to work out their situation in unique ways. Sgt. Ryan Blandford from Headquarters Special Company, a father of 4-year-old and a 7 month old, has his family here in Korea. He's able to work out his care plan because his wife is currently not employed and she is Korean.

Blandford originally was approved under the Command Sponsorship Program to come to Korea and before departing for Korea, his wife gave birth to his second daughter. Their medical provider assigned his daughter to the Exceptional Family Member Program and that negated his command sponsorship.

He brought his family to Korea and quickly notified his chain of command about his situation.

"First Sgt. [Robert Fox], the battalion [human resource personnel officer] and I heard his story and made sure when he arrived his paperwork was processed appropriately so that he and his family were taken care of," said Sydnor. "It's our responsibility as leaders to take care of Soldiers and making sure the welfare of the Soldiers are taken care of."

Blandford's 4 year-old daughter attends a local Korean daycare where the primary language Korean; occasionally they teach English.

"Families that don't have any ties to the Korean culture or area would have a difficult time finding a program to put their child in the Camp Red Cloud area," said Blandford.

Camp Casey has an elementary school and a daycare on the installation available to Soldiers and Families. The classes fill up quickly because they support all of Area I's Soldiers and Families. Command sponsored families have priority.

"I recommend to all incoming Soldiers and their Families to do their research," said Blandford. "I learned about all the programs by doing my own research on the different installations and finding out what they offer. I was lucky to have a supportive chain of command that helped me tremendously. I knew what to look for, who to ask, what to ask and what forms or memos I needed to get command sponsored and find out what programs my family would qualify for."

Available Programs in Area I

For more information about the programs contact:

From commercial to Korea defense switched network [DSN], dial 011-82-31 plus the number.

•Child and Youth Service:
Camp Humphreys 753-8507
Camp Casey 730-3953

www.mwrkorea.com
Army Community Service:
Camp Casey 730-3107
Camp Humphreys 7538401/8804

•Middle School and teen center:
Camp Humphrey 753-5614

•School liaison officer:
Camp Humphrey 753-8820

•Army One Source
http://www.armyonesource.com
http://www.militaryonesource.mil/efmp

To contact the schools liaison officer,
Jonathan Delong, call 753-8820 or
via email jonathan.n.delong.naf@mail.mil



Soldiers from the 210th Fires Brigade hosted Warrior Adventure Quest for Soldiers. Soldiers were able to participate in outdoor activities to conquer fears and relieve stress and anxieties, June 7.

Outdoor adventure boosts morale



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When needing to feel the rush, the Army has an adventure outdoor recreation program to explore Warrior Adventure Quest.

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 210th Fires Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, hosted Warrior Adventure Quest for Soldiers June 7, 2013.

Soldiers were able to participate in outdoor activities such as ATV riding, water rafting, bungee jumping and zip lining at X Game Resort in Inje, Gangwon Province, South Korea.

Pvt. Mason Kilgour, from Sacramento, Calif., a geospatial engineer assigned to HHB, 210th Fires Brigade, was excited to try new things. He and the other Soldiers had the opportunity

to experience two events, one in the morning and another in the afternoon.

"I did ATV and rafting before, and I wanted a new adventure," said Kilgour. "That's why I chose bungee jumping and zip lining."

Many Soldiers were interested in bungee jumping, but for some, it wasn't easy to jump off of the 63-meter, or 205-foot tower. The instructor pushed some Soldiers, and others gave up. But Kilgour mustered up the courage to jump off of the tower.

"It was exhilarating. I was scared at first, but when I stepped off, it was adrenaline and it was a lot of fun," Kilgour said.

Through extreme sports, Soldiers were able to face challenges and conquer fears. At the same time, it was also a good chance for them to get rid of stress and anxiety.

After the morning event, the Soldiers gathered and enjoyed

chicken and sausage roasted on the grill for lunch. The Warrior Adventure Quest was not only a fun time for Soldiers, but it also brought the whole battery together.

"This event boosted my morale. It was really cool. I was able to talk with noncommissioned officers and officers comfortably," said Kilgour. "I arrived to this unit two days ago, and this gave me the chance to get closer to other Soldiers."

Kilgour enjoyed zip lining in the afternoon. He said the instructors were funny, and talking with other Soldiers made the experience even more enjoyable.

Warrior Adventure Quest allows units like 210th Fires Bde. to take care of Soldiers by giving them chances to build resiliency and get rid of anxiety and stress. Any unit can coordinate its own Warrior Adventure Quest for more contact the Community Activity Manager, Mr. Steven F. Toepper, either by phone 315-732-6248 or by email steven.f.toepper.naf@mail.mil.

SPOUSES' COLUMN

STORY BY
ASHLEY HOLLEY
WARRIOR COUNTRY SPOUSE

If you are looking for some summer fun then it is time to check out Mallipo Beach. Afterall, the summer months are flying by and before you know it the cold weather will be back. Just a two hour drive or taxi ride from Camp Humphreys, Mallipo Beach is the perfect place for a family picnic or even a romantic date.

Sapgyoho which is located on the Yellow Sea has so many things to do and is truly a local treasure. When you first enter the village there is a small parking lot to the right, and if you follow the road on down you will find two more parking areas. It is best to park and walk around; as the roads are narrow and everything

the village has to offer is in close quarters. Sapgyoho's main tourist attractions include a dinosaur museum, aquarium, amusement park, and a retired Korean naval ship. If you are hungry you can eat at one of the many restaurants which include Korean cuisine, seafood, and pastries. There is also a neat picnic area that includes covered benches for shade, a playground built to resemble a pirate ship, and a large fountain for children to splash in. Located just behind the picnic area is a fishing pier surrounded by beautiful art sculptures. If you wish to purchase a souvenir before you leave you should check out the unique gift shops on the main road, including one that specializes in wood carvings.

Upon arriving at Mallipo Beach you will find that although it is not

a large beach, it is also not typically overcrowded. You should expect a crowd however, if you visit the beach on a Korean holiday. Korean nationals enjoy swimming, fishing, and various other water sports on Mallipo. It is also a popular place to have a picnic or camp out.

The water at Mallipo is cool and crystal clear and the sand is exceptionally clean. In fact, you would never suspect that the beach had suffered a tragic oil spill just 6 years ago if it were not for the collage of pictures commemorating its clean up. Be sure to check out these photographs depicting all the hard work the locals put in to restore the beach and preserve the wildlife. They are truly touching.

In the village surrounding the beach you can find a convenience

store and various shops that sell beach gear and apparel. If picnicking is not on your agenda you may want to eat at one of the many seafood restaurants or the fried food stand. You may also want to try your luck at winning a prize by playing one of several carnival games near the beach.

The best part about Mallipo has to be the large number of ocean critters you will find there. Pearlescent-shelled snails, purple starfish, hermit crabs, clams, and even ghost shrimp can all be found in the shallow waters at Mallipo's edge. The starfish, which can be found in excess when the tide rolls in, are especially captivating as they are not as prominent on American beaches. For directions, visit http://www.taean.go.kr/html/kr/tour/tour_03_02_t14.html.

FUN IN THE SUN: MALLIPO BEACH

DIRTY JOBS



**STORY AND PHOTOS BY
STAFF SGT VINCENT ABRIL
2ND CAB PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Soldiers will stare danger in the face when the moment presents itself. That's the reality service members face some time or another while serving their country.

Facing the possibility is Chief Warrant Officer 2 Daniel J. Laven a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter maintenance test pilot with Company A, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade and a native of Waldorf, Md.

Laven's daily mission is to ensure his company's aircraft maintenance program runs smoothly because his life and the lives of others depend on it.

"I feel really good about the position I hold and with being able to ensure the safety of the pilots, crew, passengers and equipment," said Laven.

Holding such a position comes with much more than a maintenance responsibility. Laven must take to the air with newly

repaired aircraft ensuring the repairs have been carried out successfully. This requires him to have absolute trust in the mechanics under his supervision.

"It's like blind faith; I trust my guys and if I'm not turning the wrenches, I still trust them," says Laven.

Test pilots spend a great deal of time training to ensure they are prepared for the rigors of the job and that is something Laven couldn't be happier about.

"I am thankful for the training they gave me at the school house to be a maintenance test pilot preparing me for any type of challenge that may happen," said Laven. "The maintenance test pilot course is the hardest Army academic course I've ever attended."

Laven serves his aviation unit in a way that both focuses on maintenance and providing a piece of mind for the end user of the aircraft

he and his team repair and test.

When asked what he felt about the potential dangers of his job, Laven's only response was, "Someone has to do it. Just don't tell my wife."



MOS 153DG - UH-60 Black Hawk Maintenance Test Pilot

My Korea, My Life

A brief insight into Soldiers, Civilians and Family members in Warrior Country

My name:

Kate Kerr and I am from Falmouth, Massachusetts.

What is your job?

I am the Center Manager at the Camp Casey USO (United Service Organizations).

How long have you been residing in Korea?

I have been here for six and a half months

What do you like about Korea?

I like that there is so much to do here, it seems like it never ends. The public transportation system makes everything easily accessible, like sight seeing and experiencing the culture. It's just very hip and there seems to always be something going on.

What do you miss the most about living in America?

I miss my family, the food and the beach since I grew up in Cape Cod.

Who inspires you?

I'm inspired by the soldiers because you really do so much for the world and in this job I love that I get to give back to the troops.

Where do you see yourself in five years?

I love working for the USO. I have my undergraduate degree in accounting and an MBA (master of business administration), I'm still working for the USO, because it is also a very rewarding experience.

What's next for you?

I would love to stay abroad for another term because I feel like it gives you a great opportunity to see the world.

What is one thing you feel like you absolutely have to do before you leave Korea?

I definitely want to visit the DMZ (demilitarized zone) and Jeju Island before I leave.

Do you have a story to tell?

If you would like to share your experiences in Korea with the division, please contact your public affairs office.



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Kickstart program

The AFCT Kickstart program is a product of Area I education centers and the University of Maryland University College.

Soldiers can enroll in college math and English courses with books loaned from the education center and all application fees waived.

For more information, contact your local education centers:

- CRC Education Center, Building S-58 — Byron Johnston, 732-7015
- Camp Casey Education Center, Building 1747 — Carroll Chapman, 730-1802
- Camps Hovey or Stanley Education Center, Building 3754 — Kristi Noceda, 730-5252
- Camp Humphreys Education Center, Building S-3000 — Shin Hwa-joo, 753-8906

Education centers are open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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Suicide hotlines

Anyone in Warrior Country considering suicide or trying to help someone who may be suicidal can call any of these numbers, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Area I: 010-3762-0457

Area II: 737-4673 or 737-0508

Area III: 753-7657 or 753-8111

Hangul Facebook page

As we strive to embody the Katchi Kapshida mindset, the 2nd Infantry Division wants to share those stories with our Korean allies. We are proud to announce our new Hangul Facebook page. Please visit and share with friends and family at www.facebook.com/pages/주한미군-제2-보병사단-2nd-Infantry-Division-Korean-ver/318145054942383?fref=pb.

DLA document services

Increase your unit functionality by using DLA, a DOD service:

- Document scanning
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Contact your nearest DLA for more information:

- Area I – 730-4739 or 730-4734, sunchae.chang.kor@dla.mil
- Area III – 784-6234, chongyong.pak.kor@dla.mil

The Army Professional

To support Non-commissioned officers' the Army created ADRP 1, 'The Army Profession'. This manual has been approved for distribution and use in your professional development programs throughout the Army. It is available at <http://cape.army.mil/aaop/doctrine.php>. The resources can be accessed without a CAC on any personal computing device.

Flea markets

The Dongducheon Tourism District hosts flea markets at the Korean-American Cultural Plaza in Bosan-dong (near the civil-military operations box next to Bosan station) on the third Saturday of every month. This is a unique chance for you to sell and buy goods, meet local citizens or just get out and browse.

For those looking to browse, you need only show up. The flea market is open at 11 a.m.

For those looking to sell, follow these steps:

- Pre-register over the phone the day before the market by calling 031-857-3077 or register in person the day of the

flea market at 9:30 a.m.

- Keep in mind that this is strictly a personal sale venue, like a yard sale, and no commercial or home business products are allowed.
- The items for sale must be registered.
- After the market closes, you can either take back your goods or donate them.

Changes to the Army's Early Retirement Option

The new Army Directive 2013-14 Temporary Early Retirement Authority applies to active duty and National Guard Soldiers. Eligible are active duty Soldiers denied continued service as a result of the Qualitative Service Program or non-selection for advancement by promotion selection boards and completed 15 but less than 20 years of service. Also National Guard Soldiers denied continued service as a result of a centralized selection board process may be eligible for TERA. Basic requirements may not be waived. For more information, contact your unit personnel office.

Do you want to "Stay Army?"

Retention priorities and policies are evolving. Contact your local retention office for more details on your career options.

- *Command Career Counselor:*

730-3140 - Sgt. Maj. Christopher Richardson

- *Division Retention Operations:*

730-3139 - Master Sgt. Jeffrey Helmes
730-4134 - Sgt. 1st Class Samine Parris

- *Senior Operations:*

730-3139 - Master Sgt. Taj Russell
730-4134 - Kevin Gray

- *1st Armored Brigade Combat Team:*

730-1133 - Sgt. 1st Class Jason Glover

- *2nd Combat Aviation Brigade:*

753-8892 - Master Sgt. Bobby Peters

- *210th Fires Brigade:*

730-2656 - Sgt. 1st Class Micah Mosley

- *HBBN, 2ID:*

730-4131 - Sgt. 1st Class Janine Toomer

ACS new hours

ACS will be closed every Friday, from July 8 to September 30.

We rescheduled our ACS Birthday and Open House from Friday, July 12 to Wednesday, July 31, 1100-1400, ACS, Bldg 2451, Casey.

Self Structured Development

The latest Army Directive 2013-15 (Noncommissioned Officer Promotions)

This directive establishes Army policies that link completion of structured self development and professional military education courses with promotions under a newly defined select-train-promote methodology applicable to the Army Soldiers.

SSD is required before attaining eligibility for promotions starting with specialists and continuing to get promoted up in ranks. For more information contact your school's Noncommissioned Officer.

For more information on Army Directive 2013-15 visit: <http://www.ncosupport.com/military-news/promotions-directive.html>.

Veteran employment resources

The DoD has established a special website to help provide veterans with all the resources they need during their employment search. For more information, please visit www.defense.gov/home/features/2012/0712_vetemployment/

MONSOON SEASON IS BACK



**STORY BY
PFC LEE DONG-HYUN
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Every summer in Korea, there is a period when the whole country gets soaked from the rain. This period is called 'Chang-ma' in native Korean, the monsoon season of Korea.

Starting from the end of June, the North Pacific high and the Okhotsk high collide and form a monsoonal front, which goes directly through South Korea, bringing rain. Since the power of two air masses is almost the same at that time, the monsoonal front lasts until the end of July. More than half of the country's annual precipitation falls during this season. That is to say, when it rains, it pours in South Korea.

First it began with the 'dry monsoon season' in June when the monsoonal front had not yet reached the Korea peninsula. That dryness came to an end and the real rainy season came back. This year, the monsoon season came in earnest starting in July.

According to the Korea Meteorological Administration, this year's monsoon season will be characterized by frequent regional torrential rain. Therefore, increased flood damage, landslides and traffic accidents are expected. Since regional torrential rain comes suddenly, making preparations to alleviate damage in

advance is encouraged.

The city of Uijeongbu, Dongducheon, Pyeongtaek where the 2nd Infantry Division's subunits are stationed are not the exceptions. In fact, many U.S. military installations have experienced flood and landslide damage during past summers. For example, in 1998, there was severe flood damage on Camp Red Cloud and the 2nd Infantry Division Museum was almost lost in water. In 2011, severe flooding and mudslides caused 19 perimeter fence breaches on Camp Casey.

Mitigation plans and alert systems on posts are being formed in order to avoid damage on installations and human life. However, Soldiers need to be more careful during training for the 'Fight Tonight' by checking the weather.

"Avoid camping and training in a wash or in the bottom of a canyon with steepside slopes," said Michael Mills of Area I Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security. "Avoid low-water crossings and be especially cautious at night. Flood dangers are much more difficult to see in the dark."

Mills added, "Driving too fast through standing water can cause a car to hydroplane. The best defense is to slow down or pull well off the road."

This year's monsoon season is going to end in late July. The heat wave will start to cover the whole Korea Peninsula.

For information about road conditions call DSN 738-ROAD (7623), Commercial: 02-7918-7623. Also visit: <http://www.2id.korea.army.mil/> for weather and other alerts.



인디언헤드는 사랑을 싣고

자기 안녕? 평소에도 안 쓰던 편지를 이런 식으로 쓰게 될 줄은 몰랐네. 쑥스럽다. 날씨가 더워져서 훈련받기 힘들지? 날씨 탓인지 너 살이 조금씩 빠지는 것 같아. 너한테 살 좀 빼라고 구박하는 사람도 있지만 포동포동한 게 주상현의 매력이지. 불룩하게 나온 그 배는 인품이라고 생각해. 그러니까 다시 살피워서 그 살에 파묻히게 해줘.

우리가 만난 지 벌써 500일이 다 되어가. 너의 전역일이 다가오고 있다는 뜻이겠지. 너는 내가 군생활의 꽃이라고 말하지만 사실 네가 나의 고시생활의 꽃이라고 말해야 할 것 같아. 수줍다.

고등학교 때만해도 네가 내 남자친구가 될 거라고는 생각지도 못했었는데 우리가 지금 이러고 있네? 어디서 주워들었는데 첫사랑이 잘 살면 배가 아프고, 첫사랑이 못살면 가슴이 아프고, 첫사랑이랑 살면 머리가 아프대. 그럼 우리는? ㅋㅋㅋ 우리가 항상 말하는 것처럼 나중에 여기 저기 여행 많이 다니고 그러자. 그런데 너 돈 많이 벌어야겠다? 남은 군생활 즐겁게 하고, 건강한 모습으로 나오길 바랄게. 뽕.

p.s 더운 날씨에도 고생하는 군인오빠, 친구, 동생들 모두 힘내시기 바랍니다. 단결!

-윤경이가-

자기야 안녕! 언제나 이등병일 것만 같았던 네 남자친구가 어느새 병장이 되어서 곧 전역을 바라보고 있네<3 친구에서 연인으로 발전한 우린 조금은 짧은 글만 주고 받았지 이렇게 편지 한장을 쓰는 거는 엄청 오랫동안이야~!!

너랑 함께한 시간이 벌써 400일을 훌쩍 넘어 500일을 바라보고 있어:) 내가 이등병 때 어떤 패기로 너에게 고백했는지 그 때를 생각하면 아직도 수줍고 부끄러워. 그래도 지금 우리가 서로 아끼고 사랑하는 모습을 보면 정말정말 잘 한 것 같다고 생각해ㅋㅋ

이 편지를 쓰면서 내 군생활에 내가 없었던가이라는 생각을 해보게 뒀어. 진짜 너가 없으면 난 어떻게 지내고 있을까? 나는 친구들한테 기대는 성격이 아니라 힘들고 지쳤을 때 그냥 혼자 이겨내려고 매일 공하게 군생활을 했을 것 같아. 아무 목표도 희망도 없는 그런 군생활말이야. 그런 내게 용기와 희망을 심어주고 힘들고 지칠 때마다 언제든 기댈 수 있게 해준 자기가 얼마나 든든하고 고마운지 몰라ㅋㅋ 자기는 내 군생활의 꽃! 사랑한다!!

빨리 전역해서 자랑스러운 대한의 사나이! 군필 남친이 되어 더 행복하게 해줄게!! 파이팅!!

내 첫사랑 조윤경<3, 우리의 소중한 추억을 항상 간직하고 지금같이 항상 사랑하자!! 사랑해~<3

사랑하는 상현이가.



210 화력여단 본부 및 본부 포대의 장병들이 캠프 케이스(Camp Casey) 수영장에서 수중생존훈련을 하고 있다.
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인디언헤드가 만난 사람들

"다시 보고싶은 추억의 드라마는?"



1-38 아전포병대대 A포대
행정/PC운영병 상병 김성중

다시 보고 싶은 드라마를 꼽으라면 전 파리의 연인을 선택하겠습니다. 어렸을적 주말마다 가족과 파리의 연인을 보기 위해 TV에서 기다리던 생각이 납니다. 아마 시청률이 50프로가 넘었던 것으로 기억합니다. 재벌 2세의 남자주인공과 평범한 삶을 사는 여주인공의 사랑이야기를 다룬 이 드라마는 한국판 신데렐라 스토리입니다. 무엇보다도 파리를 배경으로한 드라마의 분위기와 주인공들의 명대사가 10년이 지난 지금에도 이 드라마를 다시 보고싶게 만드는 이유가 아닐까 합니다. 특히 박신양의 "애기가 가자."와 같은 명대사는 지금도 회자될 정도로 시청자들에게 큰 임팩트를 남겼습니다. 이렇게 글도 쓰게 된 김에 주말에 다시 한번 봐야겠습니다.



1-38 아전포병대대 A포대
행정/PC운영병 상병 박재성

제가 가장 감명 깊게 봤던 드라마는 '울인'입니다. 이병헌의 멋진 연기과 송혜교의 아름다운 모습은 드라마 '울인'의 스토리와 배경을 더욱 돋보이게 했던 것 같습니다. 특히나 울인의 OST '처음 그 날처럼'은 아직도 이따금 흥얼거릴 정도로 인상 깊었습니다. 어린나이에 막연하게 가졌던 어른들의 놀이인 카지노에 대한 호기심과 공금증들은 멋지게 풀어주고, 이병헌과 송혜교의 멋진 러브스토리가 어우러진 드라마 '울인'은 요즘의 드라마들과 견주어보아도 손색이 없다고 자부할 수 있습니다. 카투사 장병 여러분들이 이번을 계기로 추억도 떠올리고, 멋진 카지노의 배경과 러브스토리를 경험할 수 있는 시간을 가졌으면 좋겠습니다.



1-38 아전포병대대 A포대
편성부대보급병 일병 기호준

제가 가장 다시 보고 싶은 추억의 드라마는 시크릿 가든입니다. 워낙 드라마를 안 보는 성격이라 처음 시크릿 가든을 우연히 텔레비전으로 접했을 때만 해도 '별 것 아니겠지' 하고 넘어갔는데 시크릿 가든이 분방 방송이 종료된 다음에야 나머지 내용이 궁금해져서 다시 찾아서 보게 되었습니다. 시크릿 가든의 가장 큰 매력은 현빈(김주원 역)의 '이게 최선입니까? 확실해요?'같은 주인공들의 명대사들과 김범수의 '보고 싶다', 4men의 'Here I am'과 같은 분위기와 어울리는 BGM이 함께 어우러져 있는 것 같습니다. 몇 년 전에 3일만에 전편을 다 보고는 있어버렸었는데, 이 기회에 집에 가면 다시 찾아서 보고 싶습니다.



1-38 아전포병대대 A포대
로켓포사지병 이병 이지훈

제가 다시 보고싶은 추억의 드라마는 '허준'입니다. 이 드라마는 제가 초등학교 때 본 드라마이고 제가 기억하는 가장 오래된 드라마인 것 같습니다. 초등학교때지만 재미있게 봤습니다. 대놓고 티비만 본다고 부모님께 혼나면서도 결국엔 다 봤습니다. 드라마 속에서 허준이 병에 걸릴 위험을 감수하면서 환자들 사이로 들어가 환자들에게 헌신하는 모습이 어린 나이에 마음에 와 닿았던 것 같습니다. 환자를 살릴 수 있을지 긴장감 속에서 드라마를 보던 기억이 생생합니다. 지금 다시 '허준'을 보면 어떤 느낌인지 궁금합니다. 그리고 지금 내용이 온전히 기억나지 않는데 어떤 내용이었는데 다시 보고 싶습니다.

인- 자기소개를 부탁드립니다.

박- 저의 이름은 박정도입니다. 입대하기 전에 경제학을 전공하였습니다. 입대하고 나서는 로켓포사지병으로 근무했었습니다.

인- 부대소개를 부탁드립니다.

박- 1-38포병대대는 Camp Lewis에서 창설되어 1차, 2차 세계대전에 참전하였고, 또한 6.25 전쟁에 참전하여 대한민국 국군을 돕기도 하였습니다. 1958년 6월 미사일 부대로 부대 개편 후 독일에서 임무 수행을 하다가 1972년 9월에 주한 미2보병사단에 배속되었습니다. 2006년에 210화력여단으로 배속변경 후 현재까지 임무수행 중입니다.

인- 가장 기억에 남는 일은?

박- 작년 8월 열흘짜리 LFX가 가장 기억에 많이 납니다. 하필 그때가 장마라 비가 억수로 쏟아졌습니. 결국 화장실 가는데 여울하나를 건너가야 하는 처지에 이르렀습니다. 훈련이 끝나고 그때를 경험한 미군 동료들은 자신의 군생활 중

에서 가장 힘들었던 훈련이라고 주저없이 말합니다.

인- 여태까지 본 미군중 가장 독특한 사람은?

박- 저의 A포대 바로 옆 B포대가 있는데, 그 중대에 SPC Hickey가 있습니다. 한국에 대한 사랑과 관심이 대단하여 웬만한 기본 한국어는 불편함 없이 쓰는 정도입니다. 요즘은 부대 내에 있는 대학에서 한국학 전공을 하고 있다고 합니다. 주위에 한국인 친구들도 많아 "ㅋㅋㅋ", "절어" 같은 은어도 쉽게 사용하곤 합니다.

인- 부대 내에서 자신의 외모 순위는?

박- 부대내에서 저의 외모는 상위권에 안착하고 있다고 생각합니다. 가끔씩 이 사실에 대해 퀘션을 늘어놓는 인원이 있지만 신경쓰지 않고 있습니다. 중국에는 정의가 승리하는 법이기 때문입니다.

인- 중대원들에게 한마디 부탁드립니다.

박- 아무리 힘들고 굶은 일이 있더라도 매사에 긍정적으로 생각하고 힘내자. 결국에는 그 날이 올 것이다.

SECOND TO NONE!

상병 박정도

제1-38아전포병대대 A포대 선임병장



2013년 7월의 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.



7월 7일 진행된 육군 공군 연합훈련에서 AH-64 롱보우 아파치 (Longbow Apache) 헬리콥터와 F-16 파이터 (Fighter) 제트기가 이륙하는 모습이다
<사진 _ 빈센트 애브릴(Staff Sgt. Vincent Abril) 하사/ 제 2 전투항공여단 공보처>



제 210화력여단 분부 및 분부대대 병사들이 화생방 훈련도중에 오염된 차량을 씻겨내는 모습이다.
<사진 _ 김한별 상병/ 제 210 화력여단 공보처>



6월 19일 미태평양사령부 병사들과 태국 육군 병사들이 기습공격에 대한 대처법을 논의 하기 위해 훈련을 잠시 멈춘 모습이다.
<사진 _ 카일 리차드슨(Staff Sgt. Kyle Richardson) 하사/ 제 1 기갑전투여단 공보처>



7월 1일 공동경비구역 대한육군 창립 9주년 행사를 진행했다.
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한미 문화 교류

7월 4일 미국 독립기념일

7월 4일은 미국의 독립 기념일이다. 7월의 4번째 날 (4th of July)이라고도 불리는 이 날은 미국 역사에서 가장 중요한 날 중 하나로 1776년 영국의 식민지배하에 있던 북아메리카 13개 주의 대표들이 독립을 선언한 날이다. 이후 미국은 8년간의 독립전쟁에 승리하여 영국으로부터의 완전한 독립을 인정받았다.

이번 년도는 미국 독립 선언 237주년이다. 한 독립된 나라의 탄생을 선포한 날이니만큼 독립 기념일은 남다른 의미를 갖는다. 또한 미국이 영국의 식민지 중 독립한 최초의 나라이자 당시의 초강대국인 영국과의 직접 전쟁을 통해 독립한 나라라는 점에서 세계사적 의미도 크다. 독립기념일은 새로운 추가 연방에 편입될 경우 성조기에 별을 추가하는 날이기도 하다.

광복절이 되면 매우 경건하고 엄숙하게 독립을 기념하는 대한민국의 분위기와는 다르게 독립 기념일이 되면 미국 전역은 축제 분위기로 들쭉인다. 독립 기념일을 기념하는 행사는 대부분 애국적인 광경으로 가득하다. 거리 곳곳에서 성조기를 볼 수 있는데 성조기를 무료로 나눠주는 사람들, 성조기 모자를 쓰거나 성조기로 옷을 만들어 입은 사람들 등 다양하다. 백악관에서는 대통령이 기념연설을 하고 미국을 건국한 애국지사들



의 이념을 되새기는 시간을 가진다.

불꽃놀이는 독립기념일에 볼 수 있는 유명한 볼거리 가운데 하나이다. 밤이 되면 미국 전역의 공원과 광장에서 지방자치단체 혹은 기업의 주최로 불꽃놀이가 열린다. 독립기념일 불꽃놀이에서는 '만썬이는 별로 장식된 깃발 (The Star-Spangled Banner)', '신이여 미국을 축복하소서 (God Bless America)'와 같은 애국가가 연주되기도 한다.

뿐만 아니라 지역마다 옛 미국의 선조들을 연상시키는 퍼레이드가 펼쳐지고 각종 기념 콘서트

와 운동경기가 열린다. 뉴욕에서 열리는 핫도그 빨리 먹기 대회는 매년 독립기념일마다 열리는 명물 행사이다. 뉴욕의 유명한 핫도그 가게 '나단 (Nathan's)'에서 주최하는 이 대회는 1등 상금이 1만 달러이다.

미국의 국민들은 보통 가족과 함께 공원으로 야유회를 가거나 바베큐 파티를 열면서 유급 휴일을 만끽한다. 독립기념일을 휴가에 붙여 연장해서 여행을 다니는 사람도 많아서 7월의 첫째 주는 미국의 가장 바쁜 여행기간이기도 하다.

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한미교류

축구로 하나된 시민과 장병들

6월 8일 캠프 케이시 (Camp Casey)에서 제 210 화력여단 병사들과 동두천 시민들이 좋은 이웃 프로그램의 일부로 축구경기를 가졌다.

스포츠 오브 코리아 (Sports of Korea)의 편집장 역할을 맡고 있는 김덕기 기자는 “동두천 시민들과 운 동경기를 함으로써 친해질 수 있으며 서로를 이해할 수 있게 된다”고 말했다.

제 1-38야전포병대대 A중대인 로버트 아올레타 (Capt. Robert Auletta) 대위는 “이러한 행사는 병사들과 시민들에게 서로의 문화를 교류할 기회를 제공하고 일부분의 한국시민들이 미국에 대해 가지고 있는 안 좋은 인상을 바꾸게 되는 계기가 된다”고 말했다.

또한 그는 “동두천 시민들과 소통할 기회가 됐으며 하나의 공동체로서 축구를 즐길 수 있었다”고 말했다. 병사들과 시민들은 상호간에 좋은 관계를 유지하는

것이 얼마나 중요한 것인지 인지하고 있다.

김덕기 편집장은 “모든 사람이 다같이 어울리는 것은 힘들겠지만 한국에 있는 대다수의 사람들은 미군의 방문을 반긴다”고 말했다.

A중대의 매투 브리언(Pfc. Matthew Burian) 일병은 “한국 사람들이 매우 다정하게 대해줬다”고 말하고 “다수의 시민들이 나와 나의 친구들에게 다가와 한국에 있어줘서 고맙다는 말을 전했다”고 덧붙였다.

이러한 행사는 두 나라가 서로의 문화를 이해하는 데 큰 도움이 된다.

“과거에는 문제점들이 꽤나 있었지만 이러한 행사의 반복을 통해 우리가 나쁜 사람들이 아니라는 것을 보여줄 수 있다. 우리가 때때로 실수를 저질르기는 하지만 우리의 주된 목적은 말성을 피우는 것이 아니라 나라를 지키기는 것이다”

축구와 같이 작은 규모의 행사를 통해서도 미군과 시민들 사이의 관계를 회복할 수 있으며 더욱 강한 미래를 만들어 나갈 수 있다.

김덕기 편집장은 “나는 미군들과 동두천 시민들이 계속 협력해가며 좋은 관계를 유지해 나갔으면 좋겠다”고 말했다.

점수는 딱히 중요하진 않았지만 경기는 매우 긴장감이 있었다.

아올레타 대위는 “경기를 누가 이기는가는 중요하지 않다”고 말하고 “일 또는 훈련을 제외한 다른일을 함께 할 수 있는 것에 매우 만족한다”고 덧붙였다.

경기가 끝난 후 모두 모여서 바베큐 파티를 즐겼으며 하루를 통해 한미 동맹을 더욱 굳건히 하였다.

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지난 6월 8일 제 210화력여단 병사들과 좋은 이웃 프로그램 참여 시민들이 축구 시합을 가졌다. 병사들과 동두천 시민들은 축구 경기를 통해 한국 시민과 미군과의 좋은 관계를 보여주었다. 경기가 끝난 후 병사들과 시민들이 함께 준비한 점심 식사를 다같이 즐겼다.



제 1기갑전투여단 23화학대대

제 24 화학대대

한미 연합훈련은 두 군대간의 능력과 결합력을 향상시키기 위해 실행된다. 임무수행을 통해 친밀한 관계를 유지함으로써 지금 당장 함께 싸울 수 있는 능력을 기를 수 있다.

5월 2일 부터 31일 까지 제 1기갑전투여단 23화학대대 병사들은 한국군 제 24 화학대대 병사들과 함께 로드리게스 사격장(Rodriguez Live Fire Range)에서 합동훈련을 하였다.

제 501 화학, 생물학, 방사능, 핵 및 고폭탄 중대장인 로젤리오 피네다(Maj. Rogelio Pineda) 소령은 “한 팀당 15명의 구성원을 포함하고 있는 네 개의 화생방대응만이 한국군 제 24 화학대대와 함께 합동 임무수행을 했다”고 말하고 “전투 사령부 설립, 초기 지역 특성화, 목표 집행과 화생 표본 추출 및 분석이 임무의 일부분이었다”고 덧붙였다.

두 대의 험비 (HMMWV, High Mobility Multi Purpose Wheeled Vehicle)를 보잉 CH-47 치누크 항공기 (Boeing CH-47 Chinook aircraft)에 줄로 묶는 공중이동 훈련이 이번 합동 훈련의 하이라이트였다.

제 24 한국군 화학대대 대대장 유재훈 중령은 “이번 훈련은 서로의 정보와 훈련절차, 그리고 장비에 대해서 더욱 섬세히 배울 수 있는 시간이었다”고 말했다.

두 부대의 전문 특기는 화학 생물학 표본수집 및 분석과 같은 화생방 기술을 하지만, 연합훈련이라는 관점에서 이는



지난 6월 31일 한미 연합훈련 도중 한국군 제 24화학대대 대대장 유재훈 중령이 제 501 화학생물학, 방사능, 핵 및 고폭탄 중대 중대장 로젤리오 피네다(Maj. Rogelio Pineda) 소령과 악수하는 모습이다.

2차적인 훈련목표일 뿐이었다.

두 부대의 장병들은 각자의 능력을 발휘했고 대대로 지속되어온 동맹관계를 굳건히 함으로써 당사자라도 함께

싸울 수 있도록 훈련을 마쳤다. 그들은 합동훈련을 통해서 완벽하고 정확한 임무수행에 대한 열정을 보여주었고 강력한 한미공조에 일조하였다.

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1953년 한국정전협정



7월은 한국전쟁의 끝을 알린 휴전협정 및 주한미군과의 공조관계 63주년을 기념하는 달이다.

정치적 이념의 차이와 한반도에서 자유선거를 수행하지 못하여 전쟁이 일어났다. 한국전쟁은1950년 6월25일 북한의 공산주의자들이 남한을 침략함으로 시작되었다. 중국의 개입이 전쟁 상황을 바꿔 미8군과 미2사단은 크게 피해를 입었고 1950년 11월 후반에38°선까지 후퇴하게 되었다. 38°선을 왔다갔다 하면서 전쟁은 교착상태가 되었고 사상자가 늘어만 갔다. 미국의 관료들은 북한과 휴전할 방법을 강구했다. 그리고 마침내 전쟁이 멈췄다.

1953년 7월 27일 아침에 경기도에 위치한 판문점에서 고위대표단들이 만났다. 총 37개월과 이틀간의 전투 후 한국 정전협정이 체결되었다.

한국 정전협정은 판문점에서 공산주의자와 국제 연합 대표들에 의해 체결되었다. 유엔군 총사령부를 대표했던 미육군 윌리엄 해리스(Lt. Gen. William Harrison Jr.) 중장과 북한군과 중국 의용군의 수석대표인 남일 대장이 참석했다.

정전은 적대행위의 중단과 평화적 해결이 이루어질 때까지의 군사 행동을 중지하는 의미로 만들어 졌다. 비록 남한이 협정에 서명을 하지는 않았지만 우리는 협정에 따르고 있다.

“전쟁이 아직 끝나지 않은 상황에 휴전은 평화로운 환상이다”고 미2사단 박물관에서 근무하고 있는 카투스(KATUSA, Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army)인 이주한 일병이 말했다. “나는 통일이 되기를 바란다. 그 전까지 나는 군인으로서 조국을 지키는데 최선을 다할 것이다”고 이주한 일병이 덧붙였다.

지난 60년동안 한국과 미국은 끈끈한 동맹관계를 유지해 왔다.

“미군과 카투사로서 조국을 지키기과 우리의 평화를 위해 희생을 아끼지 않은 용감한 조상들의 피때문에 지금의 우리가 존재하고 있는 것이다”고 이주한 일병이 말했다.

63년이 지난 지금 한국과 미국에 군사적 지원을 멈추지 않고 있고 한국의 안보를 위해 헌신하고 있다. 미국과 한국의 동맹관계는 안정성을 보장하며 국가안보는 전체적 공동체에 도움이 된다.

지난 50년 동안 한국은 놀라운 경제적, 정치적, 군사적 발달을 했고 미국에 대한 의존도를 서서히 줄여왔다.

“휴전협정 체결로 한국이 번창하고 경제와 민주주의가 발전하는 동안 북한은

가난하고 뒤쳐지는 나라가 되었다”고 미2사단 전역자 전우회 회장 마이클 다비노(Michael F. Davino)씨가 말했다. “한국전쟁 참전용사들의 희생과 미2사단 및 한국에 있는 미군들의 꾸준한 헌신이 한국 발전에 주된 초석이 되었다”고 다비노가 덧붙였다.

전쟁 참전용사들은 한국과 미국간의 꾸준한 친선과 동지애를 자랑스럽게 여기고 있다.

“나는 한국과 미국의 관계가 굳건해지고 강력한 군사력을 유지하는 것이 자랑스럽다”고 보병으로 1951년 2월 8일부터 1952년 11월 8일까지 한국 전쟁에 참여한 육군 참전용사인 찰스 로이 버넘(Charles Roy Burnham)씨가 말했다.

양국 군대간의 교류는 군사적 교류에만 그치지 않는다. 현재 미2사단은 한국과 미국간의 동맹관계를 증진하기 위한 방법으로 군인과 가족 및 미국 시민들에게 다양한 지원 프로그램을 제공하고 있다.



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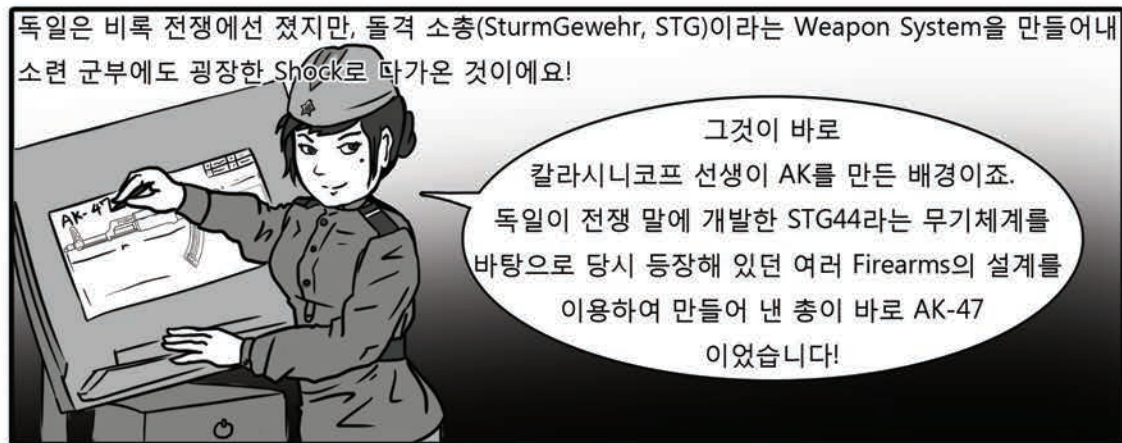
AK-47 Assault Rifle

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무게 Weight: 3.47kg
(탄알집 미포함 Without magazine)
길이 Length: 880mm
사용 탄종 Ammo: 7.62x39mm
급탄 방식 Feed System: 30연발 탄창 30-rd magazine
유효사거리 Effective range: 400 meters
작동방식 Action: 가스 작동식, 회전노리쇠, 단/연발 조정
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