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“Army professionals do not engage in or tolerate acts of misconduct.”

- Command Sgt. Maj. Andrew J. Spano -

The 2nd Infantry Division is unveiling its “Think Twice” Campaign in an effort to educate Soldiers and reinforce responsible behavior by the Soldiers across the Division.

According to the Gyeonggi Provincial Police Agency, U.S. Soldiers who commit felonies is decreasing. In 2010, there were 100 felony incidents reported to the provincial police involving U.S. Soldiers, with each subsequent year having fewer incidents reportedly committed by U.S. Soldiers.

By September 2014, the number of incidents had been reduced over 50 percent.

With over 10,000 Soldiers assigned or attached to the 2nd Infantry Division, less than 1 percent of them engage in illegal and disruptive activities.

However, as guests and partners supporting a 64-year Alliance, the Division wants to reinforce that this kind of behavior is unacceptable.

Command Sgt. Maj. Andrew Spano, senior enlisted leader of 2nd Inf. Div., agrees that while off-duty incidents are on the decline, any number other than zero is too many.

“2nd Infantry Division Soldiers are Army professionals who do not engage in or tolerate acts of misconduct or unethical decisions,” said Spano. “As stewards of an honorable profession, Soldiers must conduct themselves appropriately and hold each other accountable in behavior consistent with Army Values.”

Maj. Gen. Thomas Vandal, command-



ing general of 2nd Inf. Div., is emphasizing responsible behavior and encouraging Soldiers to “Think Twice” before making a decision that could negatively impact their careers, the Division and the historic ROK-U.S. Alliance.

“We continue to conduct training at the unit and individual level in an effort to ensure each Soldier understands the importance of our mission, and that individual choices and actions have an impact on the entire ROK-U.S. Alliance,” said Vandal.

At the heart of the campaign is educating each Warrior Soldier about the potential consequences of their actions to themselves, the Alliance, and the unit’s mission.

“The 2nd Infantry Division cooperates fully with the Korean National Police on all reported incidents,” said Maj. Kirk Whitteberger, 2nd Inf. Div. Provost Marshal and Area I Director of Emergency Services.

Alcohol is a significant contributing factor in many of the acts of indiscipline throughout the Division, according to the Division Provost Marshal’s Office. Over the past year, alcohol was involved in over 70 percent of the reported sexual assaults and more than 50 percent of aggravated

assaults.

Not only does the 2nd Inf. Division leadership want to encourage Soldiers to use alcohol responsibly and legally, they want Soldiers to understand the health risks involved with alcohol abuse. According to the 2nd Inf. Div. Surgeon, Lt. Col. Lee Burnett, studies show that drinking more than one alcoholic beverage daily can contribute to multiple health issues, including liver disease, heart disease, and an increased risk for some cancers.

In addition to educating Soldiers about the consequences of excess alcohol consumption, the “Think Twice” campaign encourages activities and community events that expose Soldiers to the rich, cultural experience Korea offers.

“Korea has an amazing history, with so much to see and do. I encourage Soldiers and families to embrace the Korean community and cultural opportunities whenever possible,” Vandal said.

The 2nd Infantry Division is committed to teaching its Soldiers about responsible behavior and reminding them to “Think Twice” about their decisions while out in the local communities.

2nd Infantry Division Transformation Improves Readiness



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The 2nd Infantry “Warrior” Division is entering a significant phase in its 100-year history. Since 1950, 2ID Soldiers have stood shoulder-to-shoulder with their Republic of Korea allies on Freedom’s Frontier keeping the peninsula secure against an aggressive and oppressive North Korean regime. The Division is constantly seeking ways to further improve its readiness and strengthen the historic alliance it shares with the Republic of Korea.

In the next two years, as part of the Land Partnership Plan - an agreement made between the U.S. and ROK governments - the 2nd Inf. Div. will relocate further south on the Korean peninsula to Pyeongtak. To commemorate this move, the Division participated in a groundbreaking ceremony this past April for its future headquarters at Camp Humphreys. The expansion and construction project costs an estimated 10 billion dollars, most of which is paid for by the Republic of Korea. This includes motor pools, barracks, headquarters, housing, medical, educational, and recreational facilities for 24,000 troops.

“The 2nd Infantry Division stands ready to accomplish its mission to be ready to ‘Fight Tonight’ regardless of where it calls home,” said Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Vandal, 2nd Inf. Div. Commanding General. “The communities of Dongducheon, Yang-ju and Uijeongbu have been extremely supportive over the years, and we are committed to working hand-in-hand with leaders to ensure a smooth transition with minimal adverse effects on the local citizens.”

The construction project underway at Camp Humphreys is the largest in the history of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Additionally, there are plans to improve the facilities at Rodriguez Range, which will allow for increased training capabilities.

By 2016, the Division will move into world-class facilities, allowing consolidation with ROK forces and increased interoperability; not only with the ROK, but also within U.S. Forces Korea.

Since being forward-stationed on the Korean peninsula since 1965, the 2nd Infantry Division has always served alongside its Allies. In July 2014, the ROK and the United States agreed to the establishment of a combined U.S.-ROK Division. According to the ROK Ministry of National Defense, the new Division is scheduled to stand up in the beginning of 2015 and will include a combined division staff, and a brigade from the Republic of Korea army. Decisions on troop numbers and the types of equipment involved will be based on the operational needs and the capabilities required to support the Combined Forces Command’s Operational Plans.

“The Combined Division construct is itself historic. It will be the first of its kind at any time in the U.S. Army’s history. U.S. and Korean Soldiers will literally operate under one flag with one unified effort,” said Vandal.

ROK officials agree that the combined Division will help strengthen the Alliance and provide training opportunities to improve war-fighting skills and to increase interoperability between the ROK and U.S.

“The allies currently have their Combined Forces Command to ensure the strategic-level cooperation. But the new Division will provide opportunities to strengthen the allies’ tactical-level wartime cooperation,” said Maj. Gen. Wi Seung-ho, chief of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Division in charge of a new allied defense structure. “Through the preparations for the wartime Division, the allied troops would be able to achieve some synergistic effect, strengthen interoperability and raise personnel with expertise in allied operations and other alliance-related issues.”

In addition to furthering their partnership with the ROK military, the Division is also supporting the U.S. Army’s rebalancing efforts in the Asia-Pacific region. This October, the fourth rotational battalion will begin their nine-month deployment to the



Brig. Gen. Clay M. Hutmacher, 2nd Infantry Division deputy commanding general for support, and Maj. Gen. Chung Ahn ho, commander of Republic of Korea Navy 1st Fleet, meet each other prior to the combined / joint maritime counter-Special Operating Force exercise July 17 at Donghae, South Korea.

Korea peninsula in support of the 2ID mission.

By using rotational forces, the Division is applying the lessons learned from 13 years of preparing and sending units to combat. Rotational Forces provide trained units and Soldiers from the Continental United States to improve the overall readiness posture. “Rotational units allow us to leverage regionally aligned forces that have trained to deploy to the Korean Theater of Operations and have conducted a certified training event at one of our Combat Training Centers,” according to Vandal.

Each unit arrives in country fully trained and in the ready phase of the force generation process. Not only do the rotational tours of duty help Soldiers and units maintain readiness, they provide Soldiers with a broader global skill-set in support of the U.S. Army’s strategic shift to the Pacific Theater.

This past July, 2ID welcomed the 6th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment out of Fort Wainwright, Alaska. This was the second Attack Reconnaissance Squadron to serve as a rotational force supporting 2ID. The unit arrived ready to conduct operations with OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopters. Within a few weeks of their arrival, they supported a combined training exercise with elements of the Republic of Korea Army and another rotational unit, the 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, based out of Fort Hood, Texas.

“The addition of rotational units to the Division makes these training opportunities paramount in developing Soldiers capable of working together not only with other U.S. units but their ROK Allies as well,” said Vandal.

On July 1, both rotational units conducted a week-long gunnery exercise at the Multi-Purpose Range Complex, also known as Rodriguez Range, near Pocheon, South Korea. They didn’t go at it alone though. The 4th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, a regular at The MPRC with their AH-64D Longbow Apache helicopters and an organic unit of the 2nd Inf. Div., also trained with the rotational duo.

“It’s definitely a unique opportunity,” said 1st Lt. Demetrios Kolitsos, 1st platoon leader with Company C, 1-12th Cav. Regt. and native of Youngtown, Ohio. “It’s been a very good experience for us thus far. We’ve had a chance to work with other units out here that we don’t have much experience with. Korea itself provides some very unique challenges, and we had an opportunity to use all of the different assets at our disposal to meet those challenges.”

Another training exercise in July afforded the 1-12th Cav. Regt., from 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, an opportunity to train with not only organic 2nd Inf. Div. units, but the ROK Army as well.

The Republic of Korea’s 101st Inf. Regt. 17th Inf. Div. worked alongside the 23rd Chemical Bn., 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, and 1st Bn., 12th Cavalry Regt. to conduct a combined Air Assault exercise at Camp Mobile near Dongducheon.

“It’s an incredibly valuable experience to get so many Soldiers from the ROK Army and U.S. Army together to do such a complex operation,” said Capt. Drew M. Mumford, commander of Co. B, 1-12 CAV. “Learning how their tactics work, how they understand the battlefield and how they maneuver will help us do combined operations in the future.”

As we move closer to the goals of the U.S.-ROK Alliance and the U.S. Army concept, the Division will continue to conduct combined training exercises that incorporate elements of the ROK army and rotational units.

“For almost fifty years, the 2nd Infantry Division has successfully served as a forward-stationed Division on the Korean Peninsula. In order to continue this momentum, we must constantly seek ways to further improve our readiness and strengthen the historic alliance we share with the Republic of Korea,” said Vandal.



Leaders from the 2nd Infantry Division kick off a division run on Camp Casey, South Korea, Oct. 23, to celebrate the division’s 92nd birthday. The 2nd Inf. Div. is proud to serve and protect its nation and remain ready to “Fight Tonight” to defend the Republic of Korea and the U.S. (U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Kim, Kyung-gu, 2nd Inf. Div. Public Affairs Office)

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4-7th Cav. Regt. boosts partnership with firepower



The 2nd Infantry Division's 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry conducted a combined gunnery training exercise with the Republic of Korea's 103rd Mechanized Inf. Battalion, at Rodriguez Range near Pocheon, South Korea, Oct. 1. The combined exercise provided an opportunity to increase readiness for the U.S./ROK forces and strengthen the Alliance. (U.S. Army photos by Pak, Chin-U, 2nd Inf. Div. Public Affairs)

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Troops from the 4th Squadron, 7th U.S. Cavalry Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, conducted an annual combined gunnery exercise with the Republic of Korea army's 103rd Mechanized Inf. Battalion and the U.S. Air Force, Oct. 1 at Rodriguez Live Fire Range, South Korea.

The 64th annual live-fire exercise employed both American and Korean weaponry and bolstered the Alliance between U.S. forces and the ROK.

"It is through tough, realistic training like this where we show our trust in each other by firing all of our weapons together in support of each other and that we demonstrate the strength of the Alliance," said Lt. Col. Jeffrey Gottlieb, commander of 4-7th Cav. Regt.

In the weeks leading up to this exercise, Soldiers of 4-7th Cav. Regt. prepared for this mission through extensive training to include vehicle crew evaluator training, information operation training, a crew proficiency course, Bradley advanced training system, as well as gunnery skills training and testing.

Under the direction of Gottlieb and master gunners Sgt. Brandon Osborne and Staff Sgt. Zachary Schertz, Soldiers collaborated with the ROK army in order to complete the complex obstacle reduction mission and qualify all crewmembers.

The range was divided into four lanes, lined with strategically placed Humvees, M3 Bradleys, and K-21 fighting vehicles. The main objectives of the exercise included securing the position, obscuring

enemy view, providing suppressive fire, reducing the obstacle and assaulting through.

"The U.S. platoon will identify an obstacle, the engineer asset will come up after the U.S. platoon secures the nearside obstacle," said Osborne. "After that happens, they will call for fire and there will be a smoke mission to obscure. This will keep the enemy forces that are in the hill from seeing our engineers reducing the obstacle. After we obscure the enemies view, we will engage and suppress them to keep their heads down while our engineers move up. Also we will have the Kiawa suppressing with .50 caliber, then the engineers will place the explosive charge and reduce the obstacle. And then once we reduce the obstacle, the K-21's are going to push up as fast as they can and secure the far side of the obstacle by assaulting through."

Both U.S. and Korean officers shared the responsibility of sending missiles, high explosives and rockets downrange. Communication played a vital role in the successful collaboration amongst the elements of six battalions, two squadrons and the Air Force with 10 different weapons systems all firing together, said Gottlieb.

"There is a device that allows our secure radios to talk to each other. So, no matter which encryption technology is being used, American radios can talk to Korean radios and vice versa," said Gottlieb.

Commands for the training were given in English, utilizing both military technology and the Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers.

"The way around this problem is to use our Korean Augmentees, they are Korean soldiers who serve within our units and make up about 10 percent of our strength as translators," said Gottlieb. "This program has been around since the beginning



of the war in 1950 when many Korean soldiers were used to augment U.S. forces. Since then they have been a great benefit to our force."

Using the strengths of both U.S. and Korean forces, the combined gunnery exercise simulated the execution of a realistic mission and prepared both forces for combat against a common enemy.

"Cooperation is important because in any contingency here on the Korean Peninsula, the Korean army and the American Army will have to work together, whether it is during flooding such as we have had in the past or other natural disasters, everything up to and including war with another power," said Gottlieb. "This cooperation will allow us to accomplish much more than we could by ourselves and it will allow us to accomplish it faster and more efficiently."

A HEAD START TOWARD SUCCESS IN KOREA

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Soldiers with the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, participated in the Korean Head Start Program at Shinhan University in Dongducheon, South Korea, Oct. 2.

The program is designed to strengthen the bond between 2nd Inf. Div. Soldiers and Koreans by introducing the Korean language, culture and society to U.S. Soldiers. It was implemented by the International Language Center at Shinhan University to help Soldiers adapt to Korean society and familiarize themselves with their new surroundings.

The three-day course included lessons on speaking and writing Korean, hands-on instruction about the Korean culture, Taekwondo and calligraphy.

"I like learning about the different cultural aspects including the food," said Pvt. Diana C. Deliyannis, a wheeled vehicle mechanic with 302nd Bde. Support Battalion, 1st ABCT, originally from Frederick, Md. "The program is a great way for us to submerge ourselves into a different country."

Dr. Hyun-ju Chun, Shinhan University director of the International Language Center, emphasized the importance of the Alliance between the U.S.

Army and the citizens of South Korea.

"Our strong relationship goes back approximately 40 years," she said. "Over 80 percent of our faculty participates in this program, actively instructing the lessons."

Though many Soldiers do not leave the U.S. to travel across the Pacific Ocean and be stationed on the Korean Peninsula, Soldiers can become more comfortable in their new surroundings by leaving their installations and embracing the Korean culture.

"Sometimes Soldiers here are nervous about leaving the security of the post because of the fear of running into the language barrier or getting lost," said Deliyannis. "This program helps us become familiarized with the culture and the language so we feel more comfortable getting out more."

As Soldiers are surrounded by the rich history and learning experiences here on the Korean Peninsula, they also have the opportunity to learn about the Korean culture and history by Korean citizens closely tied to the past.

"I learned about the Korean War from someone whose father was in the war," said Pfc. Shawn P. Seiberlich, a cavalry scout with 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regiment, 1st ABCT, originally from Philadelphia.

The program also gave Soldiers the chance to

learn the Korean language in a way that is easier to retain than if they picked up books from the library or tried to learn from Internet lessons.

"We were taught the Korean language by a lady who broke down how to pronounce the vowels in a way that was easy to understand," said Seiberlich.

The Head Start program is held weekly, with classes beginning in March and lasting through December. Instructors from the local community, including members from the local police force, join the faculty members to introduce Soldiers to their new home and environment.

"I don't think Soldiers give this country enough of a chance," said Deliyannis. "This program is a great way for us to submerge ourselves and break out of our comfort zones."



Soldiers with the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, play a Korean game with students from Shinhan University during the Head Start Program at the university in Dongducheon, South Korea, Oct. 2.

1-12 Cav. PASSES THE TORCH TO 3-8 Cav.

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The 1st Battalion, 12th U.S. Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division transferred authority to 3rd Bn., 8th U.S. Cav. Regt., 3rd BCT, 1st Cav. Div. during a ceremony at Camp Stanley, South Korea, Oct. 24.

The 3-8th Cav. Regt. arrived on the peninsula Oct. 16, becoming the second combined arms battalion to be deployed out of Fort Hood, Texas, for a nine-month tour. The battalion will fall under the 1st Armored BCT, 2nd Infantry Div., during its rotation to South Korea.

Col. Matthew Eichburg, 1st ABCT commander, shared his appreciation for the groundwork laid out by 1-12th Cav. Regt. in terms of a "comfortable and efficient operating environment." Transitioning to operations in South Korea required extensive effort by 1-12th Cav. Regt., explained Eichburg. "Troops transported their equipment directly from Fort Hood, Texas and hastily established their facilities and motor pools here in Korea in order to fulfill the 'Fight Tonight' mission.

"It was a completely selfless approach," said Eichburg. "They worked hard knowing most of the benefits would not be enjoyed by themselves, but by their successors. It is a clear indicator that they understand the mission does not end when the new unit gets here. There is a lot of work still to be done."

After much preparation, the leaders of 3-8th Cav. Regt. are confident that their unit is more than capable of taking over and continuing to build upon the work of their sister battalion.

"We are so happy that the colors are now back on the Korean Peninsula," said Lt. Col. Elliott Rogers, commander of 3-8th Cav. Regt. "This battalion has a great legacy and we are looking to continue that legacy here with the Iron Team and the 'Second to None' division, 2nd ID."

Upon their departure, 1-12th Cav. Regt. reflected on their time spent working closely with the Republic of Korea army and the significance of the working Alliance on the peninsula.

"I think working with the ROK army ..." said Lt. Col. Arthur Sellers, commander of 1-12th Cav. Regt. on the most valued experience his unit gained during their time in Korea. "...we got to do that at the company level with several of the companies and they really enjoyed doing that. And that was most enjoyable for me as well."

Over the next nine months, 3-8th Cav. Regt. troops look forward to sharing similar experiences with the ROKA and Korean Augmentation to the United States Army Soldiers as they prepare to conduct combined gunnery exercises.

"We cannot wait to get up to the live-fire ranges and be able to do combined live fire with our ROK partners," said Rogers. "That's one of the things we are looking forward to, to put a Korean tank next to a United States Army tank is going to be outstanding."

The 3-8th Cav. Regt. is ready to support the 2nd Inf. Div. mission and defend the Alliance between the U.S. and the ROK while exemplifying their motto, "Honor and Courage."



The first rotational combined arms battalion, the U.S. 1st Squadron, 12th Cavalry Regiment's conducted a Transfer of Authority ceremony to the second rotational combined arms battalion, 3rd Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, Oct. 24 (U.S. Army photo by Staff Sgt. Steven Schnieder, 1ABCT Public Affairs Office, 2ID)



Carlos Evans, a former Marine sergeant and a native of Puerto Rico, shakes the hand of Command Sgt. Major Estevan Sotorosado, the senior enlisted leader of the 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, a native of Aguada, Puerto Rico, Sept. 27 on Camp Humphreys, South Korea.



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Carlos Evans, former sergeant in the United States Marine Corps and a native of Puerto Rico, traveled nearly 7,000 miles to visit the Camp Humphreys, South Korea, community Sept. 27.

He brought with him a message that each Soldier or veteran could understand clearly.

"Life is a challenge and full of obstacles," said Evans. "There is always someone in your life that's going to push you that extra mile, that extra limit. There's always someone in your life that's going to believe in you, in your dreams, your goals and your choices. So what looks like an obstacle in your life today, yesterday or this morning when you woke up, is really not an obstacle. It is a stepping stone to your goals for whatever you want to do in your life."

Sitting on a stage, Evans spoke to a room full of Soldiers who chose to come listen to what Evans had to say on their day off. He has no legs and only one hand. He lost them to war. Evans joined the Marines in 2004 and by 2005 was deployed to Iraq three times before serving his last deployment in Afghanistan in 2010.

Evans spoke of his last combat tour in Afghanistan and how it changed his life forever.

"I stepped on an Improvised Explosive Device," said Evans. "When I stepped on the IED, I immediately lost both my legs and left hand. From that experience, I learned who my true friends were and who the important people in my life are."

Evans, a spiritual man, was invited by members of a United States Army Garrison Humphreys religious congregation called Iglesia Cristiana Encuentro de Paz. He told Soldiers what makes him happy, despite what some may see as obvious setbacks produced by the hardships of war.

"I want to talk about three different things in my life that give me a smile whenever I wake up," said Evans. "One is friends, the other is Family, and the last one is

faith. These are the foundations in my life that make me the person that I am today and the person I want to be tomorrow."

Soldiers in the auditorium listened in shock as Evans began to explain the horrific account of the day he stepped on that IED while leading a foot patrol of more than 20 Marines. In this story, was a seemingly profound message of hope, courage and resiliency.

On that day in Afghanistan, his medic, on the foot patrol with him, stuck his thumb in Evans' artery to stop the bleeding after the explosion. Evans explained that when the medic did that he began to yell and cry in pain. He said that the pain was saving his life and was stopping him from bleeding to death. This account was followed with a message to the Soldiers in the room about what he learned through his experience.

"Sometimes in life, there's going to be someone that's going to want to stop the bleeding in your life, so you can achieve any goal," said Evans. "It could be your battle buddy, your roommate, a family member or a friend back home pushing you forward never allowing you to quit."

The auditorium filled with the sound of clapping as the audience cheered for the wounded warrior who came to spread his message of the hope he has gained against all odds.

He continued to engage Soldiers and the community members by participating in the Wounded Warrior Unity Ride and visiting several local faith based organizations at Osan and Seoul, South Korea.

Command Sgt. Maj. Estevan Sotorosado, the senior enlisted leader of the 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, and native of Aguada, Puerto Rico, is a member of Iglesia Cristiana Encuentro de Paz and explained why it was so important to invite Evans to Korea.

"What we want our Soldiers to [know] that it does not matter how bad you think you have it, you can move on and take your issues and concerns to another positive level to endure and to be resilient and be able to take on any challenge in life," said Sotorosado.

One Soldier received that message and was very

grateful for Evans service, sacrifice to the nation and for coming to Korea to share his message.

"I was truly touched by Carlos' story," said Warrant Officer Francis W. Bagley, a native of Newport News Va., aviation maintenance technician with 6th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd CAB. "We all have our dog days and his message gave me even more confidence to move forward despite my own personal setbacks. He is simply an amazing person with a heart of gold. I hope he continues to tell his story so others can learn how to be resilient and depend on one another. That's what life is all about. Keep moving on."



Evans came to speak with Soldiers and community members about the experience of war and how he overcame his struggles in life. His message was one of hope, courage and resiliency.

BATTLE REENACTMENT PAYS HOMAGE TO VETERANS



United States Forces Korea Soldiers participate in a battle reenactment alongside Republic of Korea soldiers Sept. 25 in Weagwan, South Korea. The reenactment commemorates the Soldiers who fought in the Nakdong River Battle during the Korean War.



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U.S. and Republic of Korea service members participated in a Korean War battle reenactment and memorial ceremony Sept. 24-26, in honor of those who fought in the Nakdong River Battle in Weagwan, South Korea.

The Nakdong River Battle was a victory for South Korean and American forces in defense of the Busan Perimeter during the Korean War. Forces were able to thwart the advancing North Koreans by intentionally destroying a bridge which could have been used by the adversaries to further their advance south to Daegu.

The three-day event offered Hollywood like battle scenes with pyrotechnics, military tactical vehicles and equipment. Spectators also had a chance to meet with U.S. and ROK forces as they displayed their modern military equipment.

With the opportunity to see history being played out during the realistic reenactment and a chance to show off military might, one AH-64 Longbow Apache helicopter pilot was thankful for the privilege and was left in awe.

"To be honest, I was blown away," said Chief Warrant Officer 2 Andrew Chamberlain with the Company A, 4th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division. "The sheer combat maneuvering coordination and the technical expertise the ROK showed today was just mind boggling. Everything was in sequence down to the second."

Chamberlain, a native of Live Oak, Fla., flew his aircraft to the event to display alongside equipment of the 2nd Inf. Div and the Korean military.

For Chamberlain, participating in this event really brought it home for him.

"It brings me a lot of pride," said Chamberlain. "My grandfather fought here as a Marine fighter pilot during the Korean War. To be able to keep that handshake from generation to generation with the Koreans and U.S. Soldiers is a pretty cool thing."

Thousands of South Koreans were in attendance for the reenactment and ceremony. They also spent a lot of time looking, touching and climbing on the military equipment that was on display.

One American Family traveled from Daegu to witness the history of the Nakdong Battle and to see the military equipment on display.

"It was wonderful seeing all the people getting together," said Robert F. Carter, a general engineer with the Defense Logistics Agency and native of Oxnard, Calif. "Just to be able to participate in this and see everything happen was just great. It just shows how everything and everyone came together past, present and future."

Carter was accompanied by his wife Migyung and two sons, Shane and Vincent. They were happy to see the aircraft on display. Vincent was very excited to see the aircraft and explained that the Apache was his favorite helicopter. "The best thing about the Apache was the machine gun."

The Nakdong River Battle commemorations goal was to educate the masses on the history of the Korean War. It also serves as a reminder that freedom is not free. The fierce and bloody battle took its toll on the lives of many. The lives of those who surely understood what their actions would mean for future generations.

The 2nd Inf. Div. remains committed to its mission to deter aggression from the north and is prepared to Fight Tonight if that deterrence fails. Reenactments such as this solidify our history ensuring the people never forget the sacrifices made by those who fought and died here.



Former president John F. Kennedy may have said it best for all of us.

"Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and success of liberty."



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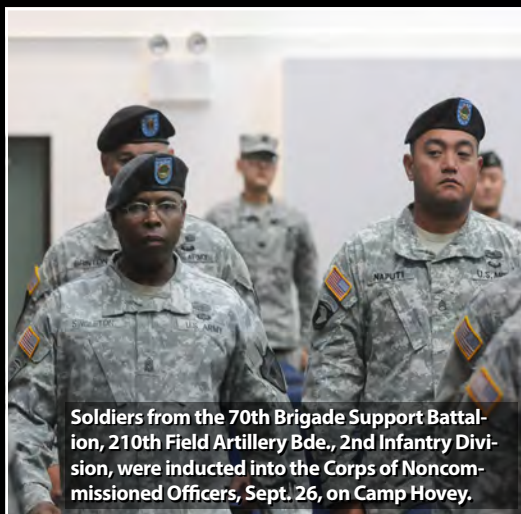
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The word 'sergeant' comes from the Latin word 'serviens,' which means 'one who serves.' Today, the word refers to a noncommissioned officer ready to serve his nation by accomplishing the mission and ensuring the welfare of the Soldiers.

More than 20 Soldiers from the 70th Brigade Support Battalion, 210th Field Artillery Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, completed an NCO induction ceremony to join the Corps of NCOs, Sept. 26, at Multipurpose Complex on Camp Hovey, South Korea.

The event was held to induct the junior NCOs into the NCO Corps and to motivate them to fulfill their proper duties as inductees.

Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Brinton, the senior enlisted advisor for the brigade, was present at the ceremony as the guest speaker. He spoke about how the role of an NCO is special and is



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something that does not falter as time goes by.

"Over the years, I have seen many changes in the Army whether it's vehicles, weapons systems, uniforms or organizations," said Brinton. "However, one thing does not change, the responsibility entrusted in the U.S. Army noncommissioned officers, to be trained, to be fair, and serve as role models for their Soldiers."

He also quoted former Sgt. Maj. of the Army, Julius W. Gates, on the importance of the role and the special rewards one earns as an NCO.

"The reward for being a noncommissioned officer is the honor and privilege to lead and train America's finest men and women during peace and war," Brinton quoted.

For Sgt. Edoard Talamayan, a unit supply specialist assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 70th BSB, 210th FA Bde., it was a chance to look back on his military career and motivate himself again on the path he has chosen.

"It [ceremony] showed me how proud the corps is and it showed me how we should be to



the Soldiers and what we could do to help the Soldiers," said Talamayan, a native of Minden, La. "I felt so proud being there in front of everybody, saying that I am a noncommissioned officer, that I was part of the corps."

Talamayan also mentioned how joining the corps gives him pride and confidence in himself for future missions.

"Noncommissioned officers are the 'backbone' of the Army, and we execute everything they ask of us," said Talamayan. "When orders come from above, NCOs take our Soldiers and execute them."

Brinton brought up the fact that NCOs should be professional and they should strive to maintain that professionalism as well as being a role model for junior Soldiers.

He also reached out to thank the Soldiers for serving their nation and the Republic of Korea as well as congratulate them on taking a step forward as an NCO.

"Do the right thing and live up to our creed," said Brinton.

CLEAN-UP EFFORT STRENGTHENS U.S./ROK ALLIANCE



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Soldiers from the 2nd Infantry Division volunteered to participate in a Uijeongbu area clean-up organized by the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program to strengthen the Alliance with the local citizens, Oct. 22.

On an average day, when Soldiers head out the gate, it is usually after work when they are getting ready to shop, relax, eat, or just hang out. However, on this day, Soldiers from the 2nd Inf. Div. made their way to the gate early in the morning to lend a helping hand and show their appreciation to the Families and business owners of the Uijeongbu community.

Soldiers armed with gardening gloves, trash tongs, bags, rakes, brooms and reflective belts were welcomed by the sunny weather. As Soldiers spread out to different locations, local residents stopped and extended cheerful greetings to the Soldiers.

One group of Soldiers was actually asked to take a break by a local business owner and they were offered to come inside the office and have a cup of coffee. In just a few minutes, the more the gentleman spoke about his great experience with the 2nd Inf. Div. and his appreciation towards the Soldiers, the greater the Soldiers felt about the volunteer work they were doing.

"This just made my day to see the 2nd Inf. Div.

Soldiers doing such wonderful work for their local neighbors. I am so glad. "The very least thing I can do is to tell them thank you and offering them a warm cup of coffee," said Choi, Jong-gil, president of the Gyeonggido Wheelchair Curling Association.

"I am so glad I came out to do this for the local community today, because it is such a wonderful thing and a great opportunity to give back to the people in the neighborhood," said Sgt. Molly Stoklosa, a clarinet player, with the 2nd Inf. Div. Band. "This is so nice of them to actually come out of their offices and greet us with kind words."

The clean-up effort provided an opportunity for the Soldiers to get to know their neighbors better, and to help foster, better relations within the Uijeongbu community.

"I am really grateful to see Soldiers offering help to the community. I am going to take as many pictures as I can and post them on the official website of my company. I truly hope to see more activities like this and hope to interact more with the Soldiers from the 2nd Inf. Div.," said Jeong, Seong-sook, chief representative of the Korea Linguistic Psychology Education Association.

A number of businesses and hundreds of residents in Uijeongbu have heard about the 2nd Inf. Div. at least once. Now the residents have seen the Soldiers blend into the community and they welcome the Soldiers.

"More Soldiers should participate in social work like this today and more opportunities should be



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available," said Spc. Sera Story, a geospatial engineer, with Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 2nd Inf. Div. "I always enjoy doing social and voluntary work because it makes me feel good to help others."

STANDING UP FOR YOURSELF: Self Defense for Women



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Sexual crimes have existed for as long as records go, but have never been stamped out completely. The situation is no different in the military. Sexual crimes take trust away between one another and diminishes unit morale.

To help tackle the issue, the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program representatives of 210th Field Artillery Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, organized a self defense class for women, Oct. 7, at Hovey Physical Fitness Center on Camp Hovey, South Korea.

This was the first time we held the program which is expected to continue on a bi-monthly basis.

"The class gives them [students] confidence and helps out with situational awareness. It helps women be more aware of their surroundings," said Jamie Donaldson, from Okoboji, Ia., the victim advocate for the brigade. "Being confident is important when women are out. If something bad happens, they will have the confidence to protect themselves."

According to Donaldson, sexual harassment and assaults are not the only problem for those in uniform but for Family members and ordinary citizens as well. Because of that, the class was open not only to Soldiers and their Families, but to all identification card holders.

According to Staff Sgt. Jason Murphy, the instructor for the defense class as well as the brigade combatives instructor, the class was focused on getting a lot of hands-on experience and training.

The students learned several ways of effectively disengaging in forced physical contacts and how to take proper measures in critical situations.

"The purpose was to teach awareness and how to act if you do find yourself in the situation," said Murphy, a native of Rehobeth, Ala. "To be able to defend yourself properly until someone can get there to help you with the situation or to just create space and distance, to be able to get away from the situation entirely."

For Staff Sgt. Brian Gebhart, an Avenger system repairer assigned to E Battery, 6th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery Regiment, 210th FA Bde., the session helps the students, including his wife, be prepared for unwanted situations.

"I really encouraged her [my wife] to come out and take part in this because it's going to really help her in the long term," said Gebhart, a native of Zanesville, Ohio. "If a situation did happen, she will figure out what to do."

Debreca Horne, one of the participants from Troy, N.C., was very satisfied with the program overall, being able to learn and try out the different techniques for self defense.

"I really enjoyed the program, I learned a whole lot," said Horne.



Soldiers taking part in the Self Defense for Women class practice techniques Oct. 7 at Hovey Physical Fitness Center on Camp Hovey, South Korea.

SOLDIERS GET HEAD START SERVING IN KOREA



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Nearly 40 Soldiers from the 210th Field Artillery Brigade joined staff and faculty members of Shinhan University in Dongducheon, South Korea, for a three-day session of classes held by the Gyeonggi Province Korean Head Start Program Oct. 21-23.

The Head Start Program began as an effort to help Soldiers transition from their familiar American culture to one that many don't have the opportunity to experience.

"The things you learn in the program are Korean culture, history and language," said Dennis Trujillo, a professor at Shinhan University and Army veteran who served as a company commander at Camp Casey in 1980.

The session began with Trujillo leading a guided tour through the War Memorial of Korea in Seoul. Soldiers had the chance to walk through rooms displaying the relics of their predecessors and learn about the strategies that led to the armistice currently in place.

"When I first came here, I didn't know much about the Korean War," said Spc. Trevor Ross, from Austin, Texas, and a canon crewmember assigned to 1st Battalion, 15th FA Regiment, 210th FA Bde, 2nd Infantry Division. "I didn't know that the North Koreans had taken over 90 percent of South Korea and that the South Koreans pushed them all the way back. So it's nice to understand why we're here now is a result of that surprise attack in 1950."

After viewing exhibitions the group was treated to lunch at a café on the museum grounds that

serves traditional Korean fare like bibimbap and bulgogi.

The second day of instruction happened in a more conventional locale. Shinhan University's satellite campus, located just ten minutes by bus from Camp Casey, where Dongducheon locals can earn degrees through Colleges of Global Business, Nursing, Convergence Science & Technology and Liberal Arts.

After signing in and donning nametags, Soldiers convened in a first-floor classroom fully stocked with the morning's supplies. At the ready were tubs of glue, varnish, fans and a few types of paper for their course in Hanji crafts led by staff from the university.

Giving Soldiers hands-on experience in culture is one of the ways Head Start facilitators bridge the gap and familiarize participants with Korea in a holistic way. Prior sessions have included calligraphy and Taekwondo as part of the curriculum.

"I've been learning a lot," said Pvt. Nicholas Higgins, a native of Middletown, Conn, and motor transport operator assigned to B Battery, 1st Battalion, 38th FA Regiment, 210th FA Brigade. "This is a good opportunity for Soldiers to get off post, learn some things and explore."

As the lacquer of their peony plates and fans dried, Trujillo led a class highlighting Korean history and the ROK-U.S. Alliance before Soldiers were treated to another traditional Korean lunch.

"South Koreans are tough," said Pfc. Shane Meredith, from American Samoa, a field artillery firefinder radar operator assigned to the 333rd FA Target Acquisition Battery, 1st Battalion, 38th FA Regt, 210th FA Bde. "They've always stood their

ground and never give up on their country."

After lunch the group was split into two classrooms where they began their introduction of the Korean language, a portion of the course many of the participants had been anticipating.

"I speak three languages already," said Ross. "So I'm excited for the language portion of class. Hopefully I can pick up a fourth."

By the culmination of their studies, participants were able to write their own names in Hangul, understand the basics of the Korean language and had a deeper understanding and appreciation for Korean culture and the ROK-U.S. Alliance.

The next session of the Head Start program available for 210th FA Bde. Soldiers is slated for Dec. 9-11. For more information, contact your brigade information officer.



Soldiers examine a museum display of guns and rifles from the Korean War at the War Memorial of Korea, Oct. 21 in Seoul, South Korea.

FIRST ROK FEMALE SOLDIERS EARN COVETED EIB

Republic of Korea Staff Sgt. Kwon, Minzy, infantryman with the ROK's 21st Division, is awarded the Expert Infantryman Badge at Camp Casey, South Korea, Oct. 23. Staff Sgt. Kwon along with Staff Sgt. Kim, Min Kyoung are the first women in the ROK to earn the badge. The EIB is a grueling two-week course that has historically only been offered to males in combat arms specialties. With current policy changes and many women now filling combat roles, women are now eligible to compete for the badge. (U.S. Army photos by Pak, Chin-U, 2nd Inf. Div. Public Affairs Office)

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On a historic day on the Korean Peninsula, two Republic of Korea army soldiers were the first females to earn and wear the Expert Infantryman Badge at a graduation ceremony on Camp Casey, South Korea, Oct. 23.

Staff Sgt. Kwon, Minzy and Staff Sgt. Kim, Min Kyoung, both infantrymen from the ROK's 21st Infantry Division, endured the physically demanding training and testing to earn the badge. In the ROK army, women fill combat roles. Beginning in fiscal year 2015, the U.S. Army is scheduled to open previously-closed positions—to include the Infantry—to women which should result in more than 90,000 new positions. Currently, there are no women serving in the U.S. Infantry. The EIB is limited to Soldiers in the Infantry and Special Forces.

"I am one of the first female ROK army soldiers [to earn the badge], and I take pride in that. I am also glad that I was able to write a new page in the history of the ROK army and the U.S. Army," said Kim from Busan, South Korea, who has been in the ROK army for three years. "It was a great opportunity and experience. In a way, I have become a representative of female ROK army soldiers. Nothing is impossible."

The Expert Infantryman Badge is a grueling, two-week course which tests combat arms Soldiers in more than 40 Infantry tasks. During the training, Soldiers must demonstrate they are proficient in all five phases of the qualification process. The five phases include the Army Physical Fitness Test, a day and night navigation course, master skills testing, individual tactical testing and a 12-mile road march to be completed in less than three hours. When the training began, 524 Soldiers attempted to earn the EIB, but once graduation day came around, only 94 remained.

"It's an honor to be here and be one of the first," said Kwon, a native of Chuncheon, South Korea, who has only been in the army for one year. "It was difficult, but fun too. It was one of the most meaningful events of my army career. Handling heavy fire arms like the AT4 [anti-tank weapon] was probably the most difficult part of the course because it requires a lot of physical strength."

Candidates for the EIB must complete heavy weapons training and testing throughout the course. Some of the weapons candidates must demonstrate proficiency on are the M16 rifle, .50 caliber machine gun, the AT4, hand grenades and the M249 squad automatic weapon. In addition to the weapons lanes, candidates must also exhibit excellence in scenario-driven battlefield situations which include tasks as calling for fire, performing first aid, calling in a medical evacuation and moving under direct fire.

The EIB was initiated and first awarded 70 years ago by Army Chief of Staff George C. Mitchell and represents the U.S. Infantry's tough, hard-hitting role in combat and is a symbol of proficiency in the Infantry. The EIB was instituted to build and maintain esprit de corps within U.S. Infantry units. The intent of the badge is to be a representation of tradition for infantrymen that play a vital role in the defense of our nations past, present and future.

Originally, the badge was only offered to male Soldiers who possessed the Infantry specialty in the U.S. Army. In 1978, the 2nd Infantry Division requested permission to allow Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers the opportunity to earn the EIB. The rationale was that KATUSA personnel serve in Infantry positions right beside their American counterpart. After much debate, 248 KATUSAs were awarded the EIB in August 1978.

The first female soldiers to be integrated into the ROK army began Sept. 1, 1950, during the Korean War. The female soldiers were assigned to separate units and segregated from males. In 1991, the ROK army abolished the original policy and provided more options to

female soldiers to include the Infantry. By July 2014, a new policy allowed female soldiers to choose whichever job they wanted.

Today, the U.S. Army is planning and developing gender-neutral standards for combat specialties such as the Infantry. Qualification badges, such as the EIB, are strictly reserved for Soldiers in the Infantry and Special Forces field much like the Expert Field Medical Badge is open only to Soldiers in the medical field. Although earning and wearing certain badges is specific to the job the Soldiers hold, Soldiers from other specialties are sometimes granted the opportunity to train and test for the qualification badges but are not allowed to wear the badge on their uniform. An example of a Soldier passing the standards, but not being able to wear the badge, is Capt. Michelle Roberts who meet the standards for the EIB but is not allowed to wear the EIB on her uniform because she is a non-combat arms Soldier. In the ROK army, women fill Infantry positions and are therefore eligible to earn and wear the badge.

"To earn the EIB, you have to demonstrate excellence and that's what you have done," said Command Sgt. Maj. Andrew J. Spano, 2nd Inf. Div. and the guest speaker at the EIB graduation. "Staff Sgt. Kwon has not only earned her badge, but earned the 'true blue' [100 percent proficiency on all tasks]. It doesn't matter if you are a male or female, the standard is the standard. This training has provided both of these warriors the skills to be more lethal on the battlefield. You will never forget this moment and this is what I call an historic event."



South Korean army soldiers, from left, Staff Sgt. Kwon, Minzy and Staff Sgt. Kim, Min Kyoung, both infantrymen from the Republic of Korea's 21st Division are the first women in the ROK to earn the Expert Infantryman Badge at Camp Casey, South Korea, Oct. 23.

LAST CONTINUOUSLY SERVING DRAFTEE RETIRES AFTER 42 YEARS

A career which began in Korea ends in Korea

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As the cold wind blows on a crisp and calm morning in South Korea, a voice echoes, Get Ready! Get Set! Begin!

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Ralph E. Rigby executes the commands as he prepares for his final Army Physical Fitness Test, a test which he has devotedly taken for the last 42 years.

Rigby, a native of Auburn, New York, began his military service when he was drafted, in 1972, during the Vietnam era. Today, he is known as the last continuously serving draftee on active duty in the U.S. Army.

Where it all began

As a young boy, Rigby always had a love for vehicles. He would walk around carrying any tool he thought could assist someone who was having car issues. Rigby had just started his own mechanic shop when he received a draft notice.

At the young age of 19, joining the Army was far from his life plans. He was clueless as to what would be in store for him. His first response to the notice was, "I don't have to put up with this! I can just move to Canada like everyone else, and avoid all of this," he said jokingly. On the other hand, his mom, Dorothy Rigby, wasn't going to allow this to happen. Her exact words to him were, "No Way! You are not a quitter," she said. "We do not quit in this family."

Dorothy was scared that her son had to serve, but her daily prayers reassured her that he would come back home safely. With his mother's advice, Rigby set out on his military journey.

"I took my mother's words and kept on going," said Rigby. "After all, being drafted was the closest I have come to winning the lottery."

Throughout the years

Upon processing through his local Military Entry Processing Station, he was assigned to Fort Dix, New Jersey, for basic training. After training, he attended the United States Army Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, as a power generation equipment repairman. Although he was drafted during the Vietnam era, he did not deploy there. Instead, his first assignment was to Kwachon, South Korea.

Rigby recalled a message the president of the United States at the time, President Richard M. Nixon, ordered to all draftees. It read, "All draftees would be out of the Army and be home by Thanksgiving," said Rigby. In his mind, he had other plans. Instead, he signed a waiver electing to remain on active service. He enjoyed his first assignment so much that he decided to extend his tour. After being promoted to sergeant first class, with less than 10 years in service, Rigby joined the ranks of the Warrant Officer Corps.

Throughout his military career, Rigby has served in numerous positions to include Power Generator Equipment Repairman, Platoon Sergeant, Engineer Equipment Maintenance Supervisor, Maintenance Technician and Ground Support Maintenance Technician. Rigby, who now serves as the senior ordnance logistics officer in the 2nd Infantry Division, on Camp Red Cloud, South Korea, is responsible for making sure the division's equipment is fully functional, as well as ensuring all vehicles assigned to the division are ready to "Fight Tonight."

"I love what I do," said Rigby. "Knowing that I am able to work with all the brigades while still getting the opportunity to mentor officers and junior enlisted Soldiers."

Rigby believes he has made a positive impact on the lives of the Soldiers who have worked for him. He has a lot to offer, and he ensures he uses his vast knowledge and extensive experience when helping Soldiers.

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Jacqueline Fitch, Army Sustainment Command Logistics Support Team Chief, Fort

Leonard Wood, Mo., and former co-worker of Rigby remembers Rigby as "fiercely loyal, and his work ethic as tireless. His attention to detail is uncanny, and his dedication to the mission can never be questioned," said Fitch. "He exemplifies the value of selfless service."

Rigby's love for maintenance will spark a conversation with anyone who shares the same passion as him. "He would walk into anyone's motor pool and start talking," said Chief Warrant Officer 3 Jefferson Whipp, Support Operations Maintenance Chief, 1916th Support Battalion, Fort Irwin, California. "He was always trying to resolve some kind of maintenance issue. He is very involved and hardworking."

Bidding farewell

"It is with heartfelt thanks and our utmost appreciation that we thank Chief Rigby for his service, and wish him the best of luck in his well deserved retirement," said Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Vandal, commanding general of the 2nd Inf. Div., and guest speaker at the ceremony. "Chief, you have truly been a bargain for the American people and our Army; a giver who has sacrificed much for the sake of our nation."

In a packed room filled with fellow U.S. and Republic of Korea soldiers, community leaders, and family members, Rigby, looked on as the crowd expressed their gratitude and support with a standing ovation for his 42 years of military service.

Today, Rigby, not only celebrated almost half of a century in the U.S. Army, but he also celebrated his 62nd birthday.

"Everyone thinks they're here to celebrate my retirement. Guess what? You're really here to celebrate my birthday. It's my birthday, and you're at my party," Rigby said.

The crowd sang happy birthday as he cut his cake.

Life after retirement

The Army turned out to be a great career choice for Rigby, and has afforded him many opportunities. Unfortunately, he has to let it go. "It's mandatory to get old, but only optional to grow up," said Rigby. "The Army has allowed me to travel and see things that I would have never seen otherwise. For that, I am thankful."

Rigby flashed back to 1972, same country, different location, where it all began 42 years ago and said, "If I had the chance to do it all over again, I would!" I've watched Korea grow, and I've watched it grow immensely. I've been a part of history ... I've witnessed firsthand the strengthening of the U.S.-ROK Alliance," said Rigby.

Rigby, who has no plans to retire completely, will make Fayetteville, North Carolina his home.



Chief Warrant Officer 5 Ralph E. Rigby speaks to the audience, during a retirement ceremony held in his honor, on Camp Red Cloud, South Korea, Oct. 28. Rigby is retiring after 42 years of military service, and is the last continuously serving draftee on active duty. (Photos by 2nd Inf. Div. Public Affairs Office)



EIB CHALLENGES INFANTRYMEN'S SKILLS

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For five days, troops tested their Infantry skills by sprinting through lanes, reacting to direct fire, performing first aid, donning their protective masks, performing functions checks on numerous weapons and a host of other Soldiering skills.

Out of the 524 Soldiers who started the training for the Expert Infantry Badge at Camp Casey, South Korea, Oct. 19-23, only 94 left with the badge on their chest. Ten of the EIB recipients earned the right to be called true blue, meaning the Soldiers received zero "no goes" through the testing. The new EIB recipients included U.S. Soldiers, Korean Augmentation to the United States Army Soldiers, and Republic of Korea soldiers.

"These Soldiers, they trained for hours, days and weeks," said Command Sgt. Maj. Andrew J. Spano of the 2nd Infantry Division. "The training they received prepared them to be more lethal warriors in the field."

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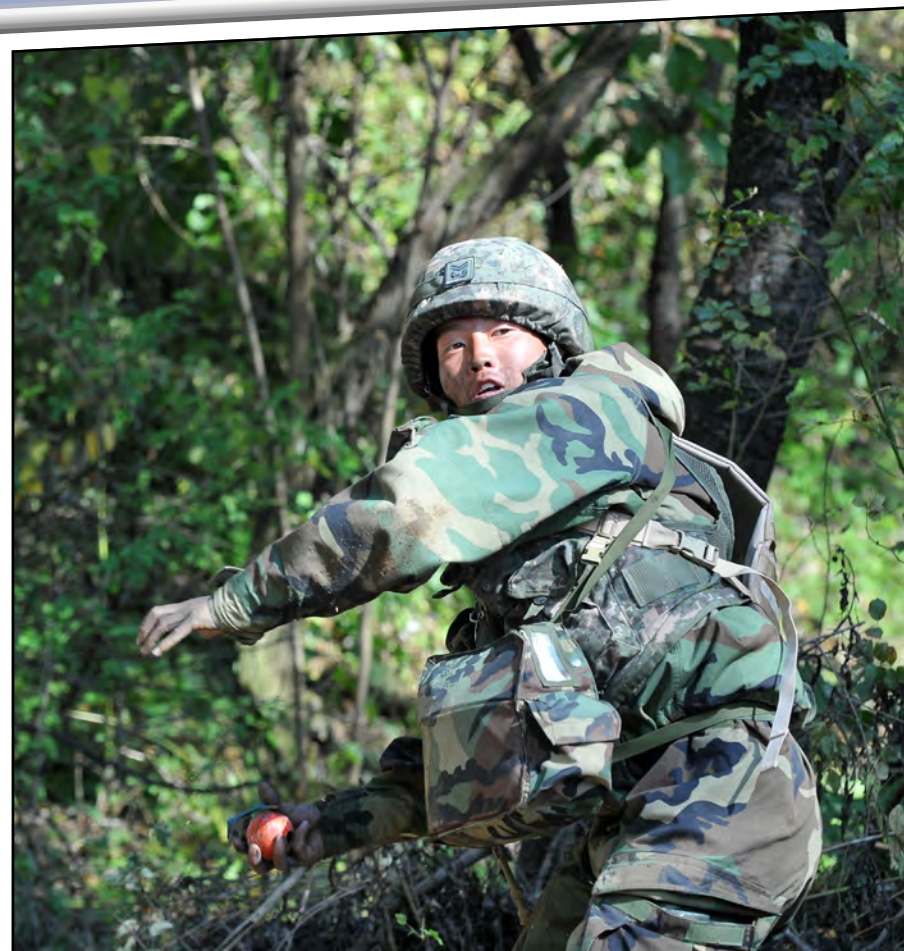
phases include the Army Physical Fitness Test, a day and night navigation course, master skills testing, individual tactical testing and a 12-mile road march to be completed in less than three hours.

"The hands-on training gives you the ability to deal with all the stress," said Pfc. Anthony Torres, infantryman with Company B, 1st Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Inf. Div., and a new expert infantryman. "The high-stress environment gives you an idea of the kind of thing you might deal with downrange."

For Soldiers it was a great achievement, but for leaders, seeing their Soldiers succeed made all the difference.

"Personally for me, the best part was seeing guys that just joined the Army and might be coming straight out of AIT [advanced individual training] do well," said 2nd Lt. Vincent Delany, platoon leader in Co. B, 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt. Delany earned his EIB and was a true blue.

"Earning the badge is a testament to a Soldier's commitment to the Army profession," said Spano. "They [EIB recipients] are now the newest experts in the Infantry, and they will be recognized as experts for all eternity. From now on they will be known as expert infantrymen."



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Warrior Inspector General Message

★HOT TOPIC - WHISTLEBLOWER REPRISAL★

Army Regulation 600-20, Para 5-12a, *Army Command Policy*, states, "No person will restrict a member of the Armed Services from making a protected communication with a member of Congress; an Inspector General; a member of a DOD audit, inspection, investigation or law enforcement organization; or any other person or organization (including any person in the chain of command) designated under this regulation or other administrative procedures to receive such communication."

Reprisal includes "the taking of or threatening to take an **unfavorable** personnel action or the withholding or threatening to withhold a favorable personnel action because the member made or was thought to have made a protected communication." All Soldiers and **DA civilians (DAC)** can make a protected communication (PC); they have the right to raise matters of fraud, waste, and abuse or other improprieties within the Army "**without fear of reprisal**." DOD Directive 7050.06, Military Whistleblower Protection, provides overarching policy guidance to the military services.

What are the elements of reprisal? Reprisal is generally a chronologic event. The first thing that occurs is a **Protected Communication (PC)**. A Protected Communication is the suggestion/intent to/comment about intending to lawfully contact/making contact with a member of Congress, IG, audit team member, and others such as EO, Chaplain, and other leaders in the chain of command to report abuse, fraud, discrimination and other misconduct. The next thing that occurs is an **Unfavorable Personnel Action (UPA)** against the individual that made the PC. A UPA is any action taken or threaten to be taken that affects or has the potential to affect an individual's position or career (i.e. eval reports, awards, bars, separation, command referred Behavioral Health Assessment). The other important aspect when deciding if the action taken is reprisal is that the leader initiating the UPA must have knowledge of the PC. This leader is referred to as a **Responsible Management Official (RMO)**. The RMO has knowledge of the PC and is in the position to influence or act on the unfavorable action. The same applies to a withheld favorable action (i.e. PCS award). *When you are in doubt if a UPA is reprisal you must ask yourself... Is there reason to believe that the unfavorable action would have taken place if the PC had never occurred? If the answer is "no," then the personnel action may potentially be reprisal. Conversely, if the answer is "Yes," it may not be reprisal, but you must further assess the situation.*

What are my responsibilities as a leader to prevent Whistleblower Reprisal's in my unit? Commanders and subordinate leaders (CPL and above) need to be consistent in all they do; leaders need to familiarize themselves with policies and regulations in order to effectively enforce the standards established therein. Leaders must:

- * Counsel Soldiers consistently and effectively
- * Foster open communications (Open Door)
- * Enforce standards consistently, equitably
- * Be mindful of perceptions within your unit

The bottom line and what to remember is if the Soldier or DAC receiving a UPA has made or intended to make a protected communication, analyze the situation before making a decision. Within your time limits test your action for **reasons** (violation of a standard or enforcing a standard), **reasonableness** (is it right and do supporting documents exist, i.e. counseling), **motive** (is the recommender the subject of the complaint?), **procedural correctness** (which does not mean absent any errors but determines if the RMO skipped steps that denied due process or recourse that would have affected processing each UPA.), **consistency with past practices** (did you do the same to other individuals in your unit under similar circumstances?), and finally the **timing** (is the UPA after a PC?).

The Warrior IG team is available to provide training on this topic to Soldiers and Leaders at your location. You can contact us at DSN 732-8767/8774.

SECOND TO NONE!

NATIONAL MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION MONTH

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Thank You Military Families

The choice to serve is not an easy one. As members of the world's strongest Alliance, the Warriors of the 2nd Infantry Division are called upon daily to sacrifice in order to honor our commitment to the defense of the Republic of Korea. We each chose to be a part of that proud mission, and through individual sacrifice and commitment, we have stood shoulder-to-shoulder with our Allies and have stood watch as the Republic of Korea has grown and thrived.

Throughout our history, our nation has asked a disproportionately small percentage of its sons and daughters to put national security before individual needs time and again.

For over 60 years, readiness has been the cornerstone of 2ID's mission and purpose. Our Soldiers are, and always will be, the centerpiece of our organization. To that end, 2ID is focused on developing comprehensive Soldier fitness and honing our Warrior tasks – the combat basics that allow our Soldiers to be able to Fight Tonight if called upon.

However, while many may see the Soldier as shouldering this substantial burden, we who chose this life must also recognize that it is not just the individual Soldier who sacrifices; but our family members as well.

Army Families continue to thrive and remain strong through deployments, reassignments and adversity. They often must suffer in silence as they farewell their Soldiers who deploy to serve our nation in times of conflict.

In particular, 2ID Families constitute the solid foundation that sustains our readiness, whether here in Korea or at home station. Without their



support, we cannot be successful. While we can't always be there for every birthday, holiday or anniversary, we do hold dear what our Army Families do for 2ID and this Alliance. The sacrifices we ask of our Army Families are for a greater purpose and are cherished at every level of command.

Never has it been more evident that the strength of the nation is the Army; the strength of the Army is its Soldiers; and the strength of our Soldiers is their Families.

To our Army Families, thank you for choosing to support your Soldier and this Alliance. Thank you for every missed Family moment so that our nation can continue to be a force for good in the world. But most importantly, thank you for being Ready and Resilient.

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KATUSAS' CONTRIBUTION TO THE KOREAN WAR

Too few Americans and even Korean War veterans know the bloodshed by Koreans Augmented to the U.S. Army Soldiers during the Korean War. Sadly, in the early months of the war, reports by many combat unit companies simply did not reflect data on KATUSA casualties.

Even as distressing, Republic of Korea data bases were unable to document KATUSA losses by any means until late fall of 1951. The United States chose to meet maintaining our front line strength by using KATUSAs instead of U.S. Soldiers. This was done for several reasons: (a) all available U.S. manpower was needed to build the NATO Forces, because the U.S. feared Soviet aggression in Europe, (b) in an effort to reduce U.S. casualties in Korea for fear of losing public support and (c) we misjudged the ferocious nature of the war.

In truth, every KATUSA killed, wounded, captured or missing would have meant that a U.S. Soldier would have been killed, wounded, captured or missing. Thus when the U.S. considers Korean War casualties, the data should include KATUSAs to the total – for in their place would have been an American casualty.

Interestingly, after the Chinese entered the war and beginning in December 1950 they computed casualties of Koreans killed in action

wearing U.S. uniforms while CCF units were engaged with U.S. units. The CCF clearly differentiated between ROK casualties and KATUSA casualties. This data presumably only included those the Chinese recovered on the battlefield – obviously some KIA were evacuated by the U.S. unit to which they were assigned.

Interestingly, from late December 1950 to July 1953, the Chinese in their after battle reports claim about 6,148 KATUSAs KIA. U.S. data bases are woefully absent in July 1950 through March 1951 period concerning KATUSA casualties. Even after April 1951 until early 1952 less than fully accurate data is available.

Between 16 and 24 percent of our front line Infantry strength in U.S. units were KATUSAs. The best available data suggests that their casualty rates not only equaled U.S. casualty rates, but exceeded them by 10 percent in several of our Infantry Divisions. The KATUSAs were many times in the forefront of heavy engagements.

In any event, history should record something – even if only by estimates. It would be a travesty that these young Koreans would remain as unknown in our country's history, as are their U.S. counterparts and the war.

REMEMBRANCE OF SACRIFICE AND GOODWILL

DIRTY JOBS

**STORY BY
CAPT JESSICA MEYER
2ND CAB PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

The sentiments, motivation and focus Soldiers project around one another make a huge difference in the spectrum of performance, team cohesion and mission accomplishment. In a career field such as petroleum supply and fuel handling, it takes a high-quality team to ensure fuel is distributed in a timely and safe manner while testing fuel regularly to ensure quality is never sacrificed.

"Trust your team and equipment and always stay motivated," said Pfc. Justin E. Owens, a petroleum supply specialist with Company A, 602nd Aviation Support Battalion, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division and native of Yuma, Ariz.

Owens has served in the Army for about 15 months and as a Soldier, he's looking for discipline and good training. He has been doing this job on a daily basis. He spends his time off from work going to the gym to better his physical fitness.

Owens' unit conducts several types of fuel missions across the peninsula. Such missions include the refueling of aircraft while still running, known as hot refueling, and while parked on the flight line, call cold refueling. The unit also provides fuel for vehicles, generators, and any other tactical machinery used to conduct garrison and field missions.

Fuel stations known as forward area refueling points, are set up for U.S. Army aircraft across the entire Korean Peninsula. Soldiers of the 602nd ASB are spread out amongst these stations in order to provide the aircraft with fuel 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Like many Soldiers, Owens looks for mentorship and guidance from Soldiers who have been in his career field longer. While conducting his unit's mission here Owens feels that's important for the job he conducts every day.

"My job consists of ensuring that fuel is of aviation quality to be issued to helicopters via hot refuel," said Owens.

Pfc. Bumjin Kim, a petroleum laboratory specialist with Company A, shares



Petroleum Supply Specialist

in Owens' sentiments to be motivated at all times, stand for what you believe in and support your fellow Soldiers.

Bumjin is from Seoul, South Korea and has served in the U.S. Army for 18 months. Although born in South Korea, he joined the U.S. Army for the experience. He has had the unique opportunity to observe the differences between the U.S. Army and the Republic of Korea Army while serving in here.

Bumjin's duties include testing samples for water separation, flash point, particle contaminants and vapor pressure to name a few. What does he think about the responsibility of doing all that?

"It's not too hard if you follow the instructions," said Bumjin.

He chose his specialty because it looked interesting and appealed to him.

While not on duty, Bumjin enjoys spending time with his wife.

Bumjin explained that he trains for his career with on-the-job training on different types of fuels.

It is important to both Owens and Bumjin to follow the instruction manuals and procedures. Bumjin also said, "Keeping the laboratory fully mission capable," is necessary for him to successfully execute his duties.

The sentiments of these two petroleum supply and fuel handler specialists show their motivation to be Soldiers, perform their duties and better themselves while serving. Their mission to issue and dispense fuel to units across the entire peninsula 24 hour a day, 365 days a year is no small feat. With their strong commitment, it is no wonder the 2nd Inf. Div. succeeds at its mission deterring aggression and maintaining peace on the Korean peninsula.

My Korea, My Life

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

Spotlight : Sgt. Ahn, Sin-Ho

It is well-known all Korean Augmentation to the United States Army Soldiers are conscripted. After 18 months of serving, most KATUSAs reach their end of service obligation, and they usually decide to return to living ordinary lives. Therefore, it is important for them to keep in touch with the civilian society.

Sgt. Ahn, Sin-ho, a civil affairs office clerk with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, is one of the KATUSAs who thinks it is important to keep in contact with the civilian communities. He does this by playing violin in a band from his university, University of Seoul, for more than two years now.

"When I go on pass, I often visit my school and meet my band team members," said Ahn a native of Asan, Korea. "When the concert season approaches, we practice together and perform the concert together."

It means a lot for him to continue the hobby he enjoyed and still joins before he joined the Army. His friend introduced him to the violin, and now it has become an everyday activity. He practices every night after work.

"I think playing violin after work is a good way of spending time in the Army," Ahn said. "I don't have to worry about what to do on off-duty times. Since I will be playing this even after I ETS [end term of service], I play it consistently. Plus, I get to engage in the social events."

Of course it's not always easy to attend social activities when a Soldier is serving in the military. Ahn has to be aware of the schedule that the Army sets.

"The only possible days [I can practice] are usually during the weekends," said Ahn. "Ever since I joined the Army, scheduling has been always the difficulty for me."

As a Soldier, Ahn plays an important role in his section. He manages all of the civil activities and events related to the U.S. Army Soldiers in 1st ABCT. Ahn's officer in charge says he knows how to balance his military life with his civilian life.

"He seems very professional, I think he is taking his job as a noncommissioned officer seriously ... So far, I've enjoyed working with him," said Cpt. David C. Palmer, an OIC of the civil affairs office from HHC, 1st ABCT, 2nd Inf. Div. "He seems like a very confident individual. I think he definitely has skill set that can produce here in the office. He has good multitasking skills. He is staying on top of contacts, and he is also good to people. He is good at talking to people. He is very comfortable talking to officers and NCOs alike and also to civilians. He definitely understands the job."

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.



WARRIOR NEWS BRIEFS



SHARP:

The Sexual Harassment Assault and Response Prevention Program reinforces the Army's commitment to eliminate incidents of sexual assaults through a comprehensive policy that centers on awareness and prevention, training and education, victim advocacy, response, reporting, and accountability. The Army's Policy promotes sensitive care and confidential reporting for victims of sexual assault and accountability for those who commit these crimes.

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DoD Safe Helpline: 1-877-995-5247. For more information, visit www.safehelpline.org

SCMO DUTIES:

Anyone who has business to conduct with the late Spc. Justin Kyle Adams

should contact the Summary Court Martial Officer, Capt. Bill Truett, at DSN 730-5052, cell 010-8552-6586, or email at william.g.truett.mil@mail.mil

LEGAL UPDATE:

The Judge Advocate General is responsible for assigning a Division Level Special Victim Advocate Counselor. The counselor provides legal advice and representation to victims of sexual assault throughout the military justice process. The Hotline is available 24/7. Call: DSN 158 or from any phone, 0503-364-5700.

MILITARY SEPARATION:

Initiating Separation Proceedings and Prohibiting Overseas Assignment for Soldiers Convicted of Sex Offenses (Army Directive 2013-21) Commanders will initiate the administrative separation of any Soldier convicted of a sex offense, whose conviction did not result in a punitive discharge or dismissal. This policy applies to all personnel currently in the Army, regardless of

when the conviction for a sex offense occurred and regardless of component of membership and current status in that component.

For more information, visit http://armypubs.army.mil/epubs/pdf/ad2012_24.pdf

FAMILY BENEFITS:

Extending benefits to same-sex Spouses of Soldiers (Army Directive 2013-24)

The Army will treat all married couple Soldiers equally. The Army will recognize all marriages that are valid in the location the ceremony took place and will work to make the same benefit available to all spouses, regardless of whether they are in same-sex or opposite-sex marriages.

For more information, visit http://armypubs.army.mil/epubs/pdf/ad2013_17.pdf

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY:

The Secretary of the Defence has directed that military evaluations covering rating periods after Sept. 27, 2013 will be in compliance with Army Directive 2013-20, Assessing Officers and Non-commissioned Officers on Fostering Climates of Dignity and Respect and on Adhering to the Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Program. For more information contact your local personnel office. 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 who have completed 15, but less than 20 years of service.

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.

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Citation: Cpl. Red Cloud, Company E, distinguished himself by conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity above and beyond the call of duty in action against the enemy. From his position on the point of a ridge immediately in front of the company command post he was the first to detect the approach of the Chinese Communist forces and give the alarm as the enemy charged from a brush-covered area less than 100 feet from him. Springing up he delivered devastating pointblank automatic rifle fire into the advancing enemy. His accurate and intense fire checked this assault and gained time for the company to consolidate its defense. With utter fearlessness he maintained his firing position until severely wounded by enemy fire. Refusing assistance he pulled himself to his feet and wrapping his arm around a tree continued his deadly fire again, until he was fatally wounded. This heroic act stopped the enemy from overrunning his company's position and gained time for reorganization and evacuation of the wounded. Cpl. Red Cloud's dauntless courage and gallant self-sacrifice reflects the highest credit upon himself and upholds the esteemed traditions of the U.S. Army.

Medal of Honor Recipient: MITCHELL RED CLOUD JR.

- RANK AND ORGANIZATION: CORPORAL, U.S. ARMY, COMPANY E, 19TH REGIMENT, 24TH INFANTRY DIVISION
- PLACE AND DATE: NEAR CHONGHYON, KOREA, 5 NOVEMBER 1950.
- ENTERED SERVICE AT: MERRILAN WIS.
- G.O. NO.: 26, 25 APRIL 1951.





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사랑하는 정윤이에게
안녕 고마워

편지도 되게 오랜만에 쓰는 기분이다 ㅎㅎㅎ

우리 서로 편지 되게 많이 주고받았었잖아, 물론 나는 주로 그림같은거 그래서 답장한게 전부지만.... ㅋㅋㅋㅋ 그러다가 이렇게 사단 월간지를 통해서 편지를 또 쓰려니까 기분이 묘해 :S

Debate 때 처음보고, 새터 가서 초콜렛 먹여주고ㅋㅋ 그리고 대치동에서 고백했었던 정말 옛그제 같은데, 그때가 상병 2호봉이었고 어느덧 별세 병장 2호봉이네 내가. 그리고 조금만 더 있으면 전역해서 더 자주 볼 수 있겠지? 외박나가서 시간 날때마다 얼굴 보고, 만나서 항상 좋은거만 해주고 맛있는거만 먹여주고 기분도 좋게만 해주고 뭐든지 많이 해주고 싶은데 널 만나면 항상 내가 더 많이 받는거 같아서 미안해지는걸....ㅋㅋ

내가 군대에 있어서 자주 만나지 못하지만 긴 시간 참고 기다려주고 나랑 만날때마다 웃어줘서 항상 고마워. 네 생일 챙겨주지도 못했는데 너는 내 생일이라고 성대하게 챙겨주고, 100일, 200일 기념일들도 다른 커플들 흔히 하는 이벤트도 못해줘서 미안하지만, 지금 미안한 만큼 전역하고 나서 (그리고 너 인턴 끝나면!) 밀린만큼 다 돌려줄게야 ㅋㅋ

크리스마스를 안기다리는 사람은 없겠지만, 나는 크리스마스 이브를 더 기다리고 있어. 빨리 전역해서 여보야랑 같이 시간 보내야지. 아침게도 연말은 같이 못보내지만 뭐 어때. 연말이 올해만 있는것도 아니고 내년, 내후년, 그리고 앞으로도 같이 맞이할 날은 많으니까!

여보야가 내 여보야여서 너무나도 고맙고

나를 기다려줘서 더더욱 고마워

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With Love, 사랑하는 오빠가♡

XOXO

창호오빠에게 보내는 정윤이의 편지

사랑하는 오빠 ♥♥ 요즘 들어 정말 오랜만에 오빠한테 편지하는 것 같다. 그래서 무슨 말부터 시작해야 할지 조금 어색하긴 하지만 반갑기도 해. 늘 편지 써주지 못한 것도 반성할게. 오빠는 지금도 부대에서 열심히 일하고 있었지? 매일 같이 있을 수 있는 것도 아니고 내가 자주 찾아가지도 못하지만 오빠 생각 진짜 많이 하면서 하루하루 보내고 있어. 이제 조금만 기다리면 12월 24일이다! 크리스마스가 브날이기도 하지만 나한테는 오빠가 전역하는 날이어서 더 의미가 있는 것 같아. 우리가 처음 만났을 때부터 오빠는 군인이었잖아. 드디어 조금 있으면 민간인 오빠의 모습을 볼 수 있겠다.

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정윤이가.

P.S. 이 글을 읽는 모든 분의 군 생활이 행복하

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P.P.S. 우리 오빠 잘부탁드려요~

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제1기갑전투여단 본부중대 군수와 편성부대

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사진 및 번역, 상병 백성현 / 제2보병사단 공보처>



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제1기갑전투여단 본부중대 선임병장

인- 부대소개를 부탁드립니다.

유- 제가 소속되었는 부대는 미 제2사단 제1여단 본부중대입니다. 저희부대는 1여단 직할대 개념으로 존재합니다. 저희 부대 예하대로는 BSTB, 2-9, 1-72, 302.4-7, 23화확대대 그리고 순환전투대대가 있습니다. 이렇게 막강한 전투부대들을 지휘하는 부대로써 캠프 호비 (Camp Hovey)의 왕이라고 불립니다^^.

인- 여태까지 본 미군 중 가장 독특한 사람은?

유- 여태까지 본 미군중 가장 기억에 남는 미군은 저와 같이 보급과에서 근무했던 부사관인 무어 하사(Staff Sgt. Moore)입니다. 시카고에서 살다는 무어 하사와 같이 일하다보면 소울이 충만한 노래를 들을수 있는데 같이일하면서 시카고 다운타운에 온듯한 느낌을 받았습니다. 저조차한 업무 능력때문에 제 군생활에서 고충의 근원이었지만 사람도 정말 좋고 굉장히 천천히 미군이어서 기억에 많이 남습니다.

인- 부대 내에서 자신의 외모 순위는?

유- 저희부대에는 신기하게도 혼남들이 굉장히 많습니다. 선후임 관계가 아니었다면 제 얼굴을 보고 피식 할정도의 외모를 가진 인원이 많기때문에 말을 아끼도록하

겠습니다. 결과적으로 부대내에서 제 외모순위는 딱 중간인것 같습니다. 떨어지지도 않고 그렇다고 앞서나가지도 않는 그런 평균적인 외모. 대한민국사회가 바라는 그런 평범한외모의 소유자 선임병장 유성호입니다.

인- 전역 후의 계획은?

유- 전역 후에는 가족들과 여행을 다녀온뒤 복학을 할예정입니다. 제 전역일은 15년 3월 16일입니다. 전역을 하고 첫 주말에는 가족들과 동남아로 스쿠버 다이빙을 하러 여행을 떠날 것이고 여행을 다녀온뒤에는 5월달에 시작하는 여름학기를 준비할 것 같습니다. 5월달에 미국으로 돌아가게되면 당분간 한국에 돌아오지 않을 예정이기 때문에 떠나기 전 여기저기 여행을 다녀봐도 좋을 것 같습니다.

인- 전역 후 꼭 한 번 다시 보고싶은 부대원은?

유- 전역 후 꼭 한번 다시 보고싶은 부대원은 항상 저때문에 고생이 많은 제 맞후임 김정환입니다. 아무래도 업무도 항상 같이 수행하고 마음이 가장 잘 맞는 것 같아서 김정환 상병이 전역하기 전에 꼭 다시 한 번 만나보고 싶습니다.

인- 중대원들에게 한 마디 부탁드립니다.

유- 중대원 여러분! 저는 저희부대의 최대 장점을 뽑으라고하시면 선후임 관계를 뽑고싶습니다. 부조리 없는 부대. 제가 선임병장보직을 맡게되면서 공짜였던 중대의 모습을 중대원분들이 만들어 주셔서 너무나도 감사합니다. 저는 곧 선임병장 보직을 내려놓고 전역을 하게되겠지만 앞으로도 이런모습 지켜주시면 좋겠습니다. 항상 부족한 선임병장과 생활하시느라 고생이 많습니다. 사랑합니다.

<기사 및 사진 - 일병 최유강 / 미 제2보병사단 공보처>

2014년 10월 간추린 뉴스

매달 영문판에는 들어가지만 한글판에는 들어가지 않는 기사들을 보면서 아깝다는 생각을 했습니다. 그래서 만들었습니다! 간추린 뉴스! 한글판에는 넣지 않았지만, 영문판에 실린 기사들을 사진으로 정리하는 지면입니다.



10월 1일 포천 로드리케즈 사격장(Rodriguez Range)에서 제2보병사단 제4~7기갑대대와 대한민국 육군 제 103기계화보병대대가 함께 연합 포격훈련을 실시하였다. 이번 연합 훈련은 한미 양국의 준비태세를 강화하고 한미동맹을 굳건히 하는데 기여했다.

<사진 _ 박진우 / 제2보병사단 공보처>



10월 28일 캠프 레드클라우드(Camp Red Cloud)에서 열린 랄프 릭비 준위(Chief Warrant Officer 5 Ralph Elgby)의 은퇴식에서 제2보병사단 사단장 토마스 밴달 소장(Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Vandal)이 그에게 42년간의 헌신적 복무에 감사하는 의미로 성조기를 선물하고 있다.

<사진 _ 박진우 / 제2보병사단 공보처>



9월 26일, 캠프 호비의 멀티퍼플렉스 (Hovey Multipurpose Complex)에서 제2보병사단 예하의 70여단지원대대, 210 화력여단에서 온 20명 이상의 장병들이 부사관 (NCO, Non-Commissioned Officer) 임관식에 참가해 부사관으로의 첫 걸음을 내밀었다. <사진 _ 상병 송건우(Cpl. Song Gun-Woo) / 제210 야전포병여단 공보처>



10월 24일, 캠프 스탠리(Camp Stanley)의 이양식에서 제1기병사단 예하 제 3 전투여단, 1-12 순환전투대대가 동여단 소속 3-8 순환전투대대에 책임권을 이양했다. 3-8 순환전투대대는 대한민국에 두번째로 9개월동안 순환근무를 하게될 연합 대대이다. 두 부대 모두 텍사스(Texas)의 포트 후드(Fort Hood)에서 왔으며 3-8 순환전투대대는 대한민국에 있는 동안 제 2보병사단, 제 1기갑전투여단에 속할 것이다.

<사진 _ 하사 스티븐 슈나이더(Staff Sgt. Steven Schneider), 제1기갑전투여단 공보처>



푸에르토리코 (Puerto Rico) 출신의 해군 퇴역 병장 카를로스 에반스(Carlos Evans)가 9월 27일부터 28일까지 제2전투항공여단과 캠프 험프리스 (Camp Humphreys)의 장병들을 방문했다. 그는 군 장병 및 가족들과 함께 시간을 보냈으며 부상병초청행사 (Wounded Warrior Unity Ride)에 참가하여 참전 후에 겪었던 갈등과 어떻게 그것을 극복하였는지에 관해 장병들에게 강의했다. 그의 이야기에 희망, 회복, 용기 등의 메시지가 담겨있었다.

<사진 _ 중사 빈센트 에이브릴(Sgt. 1st Class Vincent Abril) / 제2항공여단 공보처>

한미 문화 교류

할로윈 데이 Halloween Day

할로윈데이는 고대 켈트인의 삼하인(Samhain) 축제에서 비롯되었다. 그것은 죽음의 신 삼하인을 찬양하고 새해와 겨울을 맞는 축제다. 이 날 밤에는 죽은 사람들의 영혼이 그들의 집으로 돌아온다고 믿어 이 축제는 유령, 마녀, 도깨비, 요정 등과 함께 불길한 의미를 갖게 되었으며, 또한 이 날은 악마의 도움으로 결혼, 행운, 죽음에 관계되는 점을 치기에 좋은 때라고 생각하였다. 이들은 한 해의 마지막 날에는 죽은 자의 영혼이 가족을 잠시나마 방문할 수 있다고 믿었다. 송구영신하는 10월 31일 저녁에 모든 아궁이의 불을 다 꺼버리고, 처음 맞이하는 새해의 첫 시간에 새해에 좋은 일만 일어나도록 엄격하게 사만(Samain) 의식을 치루며, 나쁜 귀신들을 몰아내고 태양신을 찬양했다.

그후, 그리스도교의 전파와 함께 할로윈 축제는 모든 성인의 날 대축일(11월 1일) 전날 밤의 행사로 자리잡았다. Hallow란 앵글로색슨어로 성도를 뜻하며, All Hallows' Eve (모

든 성인의 날 대축일)가 줄여서 Halloween이 되었다. 할로윈 축제에 가장 대중적인 인물인 잭-오-랜턴(Jack-o'-Lantern)은 옛날에 인색하기로 유명했다. 술 주정꾼으로 낙인 찍힌 잭(Jack) 이라고 불리는 아일랜드 사람에게 어느 날 술집에서 자신의 영혼을 요구하는 저승 사자가 나타난다. 교묘하게 저승 사자에게 술 한잔을 하도록 피웠고, 이에 넘어간 저승 사자가 술을 마시고 자신의 술값을 지불하기 위하여 동전 6펜스로 변장하자마자 재빨리 십자가 자물쇠가 달린 자신의 백 속에 집어 넣어버렸다. 한 해 동안 쫓아다니지 않겠다는 약속을 받아내고 저승 사자를 풀어주고, 덤으로 일 년을 더 살았고, 그 다음해 찾아 온 저승 사자를 다른 속임수로 또 속았을 뿐이었다.

후에 죽어서 저승을 갔을 때에는, 저승 사자를 놀린 것 때문에 천국도 지옥도 가지 못하고, 추운 아일랜드의 날씨 속에 암흑 속을 떠도는 유령 신세가 되는데, 저승 사자에게 옛 정을 호소하여 불씨 하나를 얻어가지고, 암흑의 길을 걸을 때 불을 밝힐 수 있도록 자기가 켜둔 무우 속에 집어 넣고는, 자신의 등불을 밝히며 심판의 날이 올 때까지 걷는 형벌을 받았다는 이야기에서 유래한 것이 할로윈을 상징하는 잭-오-랜턴이 되었다는 것이다. 대 흉년이던 1846-1848년 사이에 아일랜드 사람

들이 미국으로 이민을 가면서 할로윈 축제의 상징인 잭 오 랜턴을 전파하는데, 무우에서 큰 호박으로 바뀌었을 뿐이다.

시간이 흐르면서 그 관습이 바뀌어 집집마다 문을 두드리며 과자를 요구하는 것은 1930년대에 들어서 생겼다. 미국과 유럽에서는 매년 할로윈 데이가 크리스마스와 함께 어린이와 어른들이 다 함께 즐기는 날이 되었다. 아이들은 드라큘라, 악마, 괴물, 괴박귀신 등 각종 귀신과 마녀, 검은 고양이, 박쥐, 해골 등 각종 괴물의 옷을 입고 집집마다 무리 지어 돌아다니면서 “Trick or treat!” (장난을 받을래요, 아니면 과자를 주세요?) 를 외치며 사탕과 과자를 어른들에게서 받는다. 만약 과자를 안 주면 그 집마다 낙서를 하는 등 짓궂은 장난을 하기도 하지만 대부분의 어른들은 아이들에게 즐거이 사탕과 과자를 대접한다



한미교류

낙동강 전투 재현으로 경의를 표하다



지난 9월 24일에서 26일, 미군과 국군 장병들은 낙동강 전투에 참여했던 용사들에게 경의를 표하기 위해 한국 전쟁 재현 기념식에 참석하였다. 한국 전쟁 당시 부산의 경계선을 지키기 위해 일어난 낙동강 전투는 한국군과 미국군의 승리로 끝났다. 연합군은 북한군이 대구로 남진하기 위해 이용할 다리를 파괴함으로써 북한군을 저지할 수 있었다. 3일간의 행사동안 관중들은 할리우드 (Hollywood)전투 장면에서 나올 듯 한 불꽃과 군 전투 차량 그리고 장비들을 구경할 수 있었고, 한국군과 미군이 사용하는 현대적인 군 장비들도 만나볼 수 있었다. AH-64 롱 보우 아파치 (AH-64 Longbow Apache) 헬리콥터 비행사인 미제2보병사단 제2항공여단 제4항공정찰대대 알파 중대 앤드류 체임벌린 준위(Chief Warrant Officer 2 Andrew Chamberlain)는 역사적 전투를 다시 보여주는 듯 한 현실적인 전투 재현에 경외감을 느꼈다. 체임벌린 준위는 “솔직히 정말 많이 놀랐다”며 “한국군이 보여준 전투에서의 조직력이나 기술적 전문성은 경이로웠고 모든 것이 순차적으로 진

한 연관이 있는 지역시민들로부터 한국 문화와 역사에 대하여 배울 기회를 갖기도 한다.

“나는 참전하신 아버지가 있는 사람으로부터 한국전쟁에 대해 알게 되었다.”고 필라델피아 (Philadelphia) 출신의 1기갑전투여단 제1-72전차대대 기갑정찰병 순 세이버릭(Pfc. Shawn P. Seiberlich) 일병은 말했다.

이 프로그램은 미군들이 도서관에서 책을 빌려서, 혹은 인터넷을 통해 배우는 것보다 한국어 실력을 더 잘 유지할 수 있게끔 해준다.

“한국어를 배울때, 모음을 나누어 어떻게 발음하는지 가르쳐준 선생님 덕분에 더 쉽게 이해할 수 있었다.”고 세이버릭은 말했다.

헤드스타트 프로그램은 3월에 시작하여 12월 까지 매주 진행된다. 지역사회에서 지역경찰 등의 인원들을 포함한 강사들이 교직원들과 함께 미군들을 새로운 환경에 잘 적응할 수 있도록 도움을 주고있다.

“나는 우리 미군들이 한국에 적응하기 위한 충분한 노력을 한다고 생각하지 않는다.”며 델리야니스는 말하고 “이 프로그램은 우리가 편안함에서 벗어나 새로운 환경에 적응하는데 좋은 기회를 제공한다.”고 덧붙였다.

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9월 16일 인천대공원에서 미제2사단 군악대와 한국군 17사단 군악대가 합동 콘서트를 진행했다.



우수보병휘장 획득을 위한 장병들의 도전

캠프 케이시 (Camp Casey), 대한민국 - 5일 동안 장병들은 전력질주, 구급법 시행, 직접사격 대응, 방독면 착용, 다수의 무기 성능 점검과 다수의 군사기술들을 통해 그들의 보병 기술을 시험했다.

10월 19일부터 23일까지 캠프 케이시에서 우수보병휘장 (EIB, Expert Infantry Badge) 훈련을 시작한 524명의 장병 중 오직 94명만이 그 휘장을 가슴에 달 수 있었다. 그 중 훈련기간동안 불합격이 하나도 없었던 10인의 장병들은 트루 블루

(true blue)라고 불릴 수 있는 명예를 얻었다. 이번에 우수보병휘장을 받은 장병들은 주한미군들을 포함해 카투사 (KATUSA, Korean Augmentation to the United States Army)와 한국군 사병들도 있었다.

“장병들은 끊임없이 훈련에 주력했다.”고 앤드류 스페노 미제2보병사단 주임원사(Command Sgt. Maj. Andrew Spano)는 말하며 “이번에 받은 훈련으로 인해 그들은 더 강한 전사가 되었을 것이다.”고 덧붙였다.

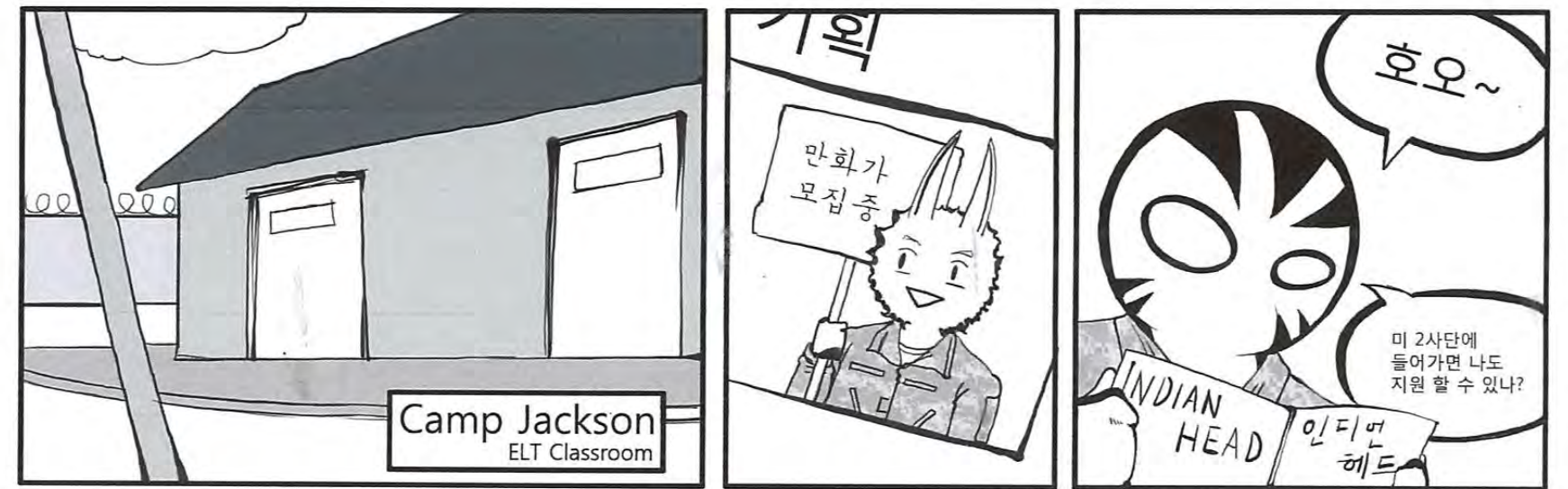
우수보병휘장은 장병들이 40개 이상의 보병 관련 과제를 수행하여 전투병과 기술을 훈련하고 시험하는 2주간의 대단히 힘든 훈련이다. 훈련기간동안 장병들은 능숙하게 5단계의 자격 검증 과정을 모두 통과해야 한다. 5단계의 자격 검증 과정에는 육군체력검정 (Army Physical Fitness Test), 주간 및 야간 독도법, 숙달기술 시험, 개인 전술 시험, 그리고 마지막으로 3시간 내에 완료해야 하는 12마일 행군이 있다.

“실전훈련을 통해 실제 전투에서 받는 스트레스에 대처하는 방법을 배울 수 있다.”고 이번에 우수보병 휘장을 받은 미2사단 1기갑전투여단 제1-72 전차대대 브라보 중대 보병 앤서니 토레스 일병(Pfc. Anthony Torres)은 말하고 “실제 전장에서 받을 스트레스를 직접 느껴볼 수 있는 긴장감 있는 환경을 느껴볼 수 있다.”며 덧붙였다. 장병들에게 이것은 큰 성취감을 주었고 장교들은 그들의 장병들이 성공하는 모습을 보면서 기뻐했다.

“개인적으로 갖 군에 들어온 병사들, 혹은 막 실무주특기훈련 (AIT, Advanced Individual Training)을 마친 병사들이 과제들을 잘 해내가는 것을 보는 것이 제일 뿌듯했다.”고 제1-72 전차대대 브라보 중대장 빈센트 델라니 소위(2nd Lt. Vincent Delany)는 말했다. 그도 우수보병휘장을 받았었고 트루 블루였다.

“휘장을 얻는 것은 장병 개개인의 헌신하는 군인정신을 증명한다.”고 스페노 미 2사단 주임원사는 말하고 “휘장을 받은 장병들은 이제 숙련된 보병이고 항상 그렇게 인정받을 것이다. 지금부터 그들은 우수보병으로 알려질 것이다.”고 덧붙였다.

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