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Yusufiyah-area men flock to IP recruitment drive

2ND BCT, 10TH MTN. DIV. (LI) PAO

BAGHDAD – Over 1,200 Iraqi men came to Joint Security Station Yusufiyah during a three-day police recruitment drive which ended June 25.

The drive, orchestrated by the 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division (Light Infantry) from Fort Drum, N.Y., the 23rd Military Police Company, 503rd Military Police Battalion, 16th Military Police Brigade, from Fort Bragg, N.C., and the 4th Brigade, 6th Iraqi Army Division, began June 23 to increase Iraqi police manning in the 4-31 “Polar Bears”

area of operations.

The goal was to find 200 qualified Iraqi police officers. When the drive began at 8 a.m., there were almost 200 men waiting in line to apply.

Gen. David Petraeus, the Multi-National Force – Iraq commander, visited the recruitment efforts the first day and spoke to several potential recruits and encouraged them to serve their country.

Five hundred seventy-seven applicants were processed the first day. Another 150 were waiting in line the second day and by mid-afternoon 361 had filled out applications and spoken with the troops.

Officials accepted 252 applications on June 25.

The surplus applications – including one from a local woman - will be kept and as the JSS expands, those individuals will be the first called for new hires.

Applicants represented all major Sunni and Shia tribes in the area with the majority coming from Yusufiyah and Mulla Fayad. Also represented was Carguoli Village, a longtime hotbed of terrorist activity, but has recently begun making strides toward peace.

Each applicant completed a basic literacy test. Other requirements included being between the ages of 20 and 35, not being part of the Iraqi army, having no ties to extremist groups, and a willingness to move at the government's need. Applicants must be Iraqi citizens.

The recruits' records will be checked by the Ministry of the Interior to prevent terrorist groups from infiltrating into the IP forces.



Air Force Staff Sgt. Dennis J. Henry Jr.

Capt. Brent Dittenber, commander of Co. A, 4-31st Inf. Regt., 2nd BCT, 10th Mtn. Div. (LI) from Fort Drum, N.Y., checks the names of applicants for the Iraqi police force with Iraqi army staff officers. The recruitment drive was June 23 -25.

Army Chemical Corps celebrates 89th birthday

SPECIAL TO THE DOG FACE DAILY

The U.S. Army Chemical Corps traces its history to the European battlefields of World War I. The European use of chemical weapons to break the deadlock of trench warfare led General Pershing to the creation of a Gas Service. It trained and equipped the American Expeditionary Force for defense against gas attacks. The First Gas Regiment was formed and deployed to make our defense more robust and to deliver retaliatory strikes. On June 28, 1918, the War Department established the Chemical Warfare Service to manage chemical offensive and defensive programs. This June 28, the U.S. Army Chemical Corps celebrates 89 years of service to the United States Armed Forces.

During the interwar years, the CWS conducted research and development to ensure that the Army had a credible chemical offensive capability as well as an effective defensive posture. The success of these programs helped prevent the use of chemical weapons by our adversaries in World War II. In 1942 the CWS undertook the responsibility for managing developments in biological, as well as, chemical warfare. After World War II, the CWS, redesignated the Chemical Corps in 1946, continued its work on improving chemical and biological offensive and defensive capabilities. In 1949 it was assigned the responsibilities of radiological warfare, giving the Chemical Corps the re-

sponsibility for Chemical, Biological and Radiological warfare.

During the Korean War, the corps conducted the longest duration smoke mission ever: a continuous smoke screen protected troop movements in Artillery Valley for 14 months. The 4.2 inch chemical mortar battalions were also employed extensively, eventually transferring the mission to the infantry in 1953.



During the Vietnam War the corps developed and used aerial "people-sniffers" to find the enemy, thickened fuel flame devices to protect firebases, herbicides to clear fields of fire and tear gas to restrict the enemy and control crowds. With the post-Vietnam demobilization, the corps found itself in danger of abolishment; however, in light of clear signs that the Soviet Bloc was increasing its ability to employ CBRN weapons, the move never came to fruition.

Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm in 1991 were clear tests of the Chemical Corps' capability to protect Army forces from an adversary armed with chemical and biological weapons.

Saddam Hussein's regime had a vast array of these weapons and the Chemical Corps' herculean efforts to ensure the force was adequately prepared helped to deter Iraq from the use of chemical and biological warfare.

After the terrorist attacks on America on Sept. 11, 2001, and the Anthrax attacks of October 2001, the original Chemical Corp's mission to "Protect the Force" expanded. The Chemical Corps was called upon to be prepared to protect the homeland, conduct sensitive site exploitation, and to be ready to protect against a greater and ever changing list of potential CBRN threat hazards.

Chemical Corps Soldiers and Units have participated in every stage of Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq and Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, conducting a variety of missions in support of national objectives, demonstrating their unmatched adaptability and dedication. The spring of 2007 found the United States in its second chemical war with the Purple Heart being awarded to U.S. Marines and U.S. Army Soldiers for exposure to "gas." Once again, 89 years later, the enemy used chlorine as a physical and psychological weapon against U.S. forces and civilians.

Since 1918, the proud warriors of the U.S. Chemical Corps have served to protect the nation and U.S. forces from the threat of CBRN attack and will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. Happy birthday to the U.S. Chemical Corps.

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Keeping streets safe

Staff Sgt. Bronco Suzuki

Staff Sgt. Daniel Lynch, Company C, 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor Regiment, attached to 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, speaks with a local resident about why he is driving a car after curfew during a patrol in the Rusa-fa area of Baghdad, Iraq, June 15.

3-1 Cav. leaders meet with local sheiks

SGT. NATALIE ROSTEK
3RD HBCT PUBLIC AFFAIRS

FORWARD OPERATING BASE HAMMER, Iraq – Leaders from the 3rd Squadron, 1st Cavalry Regiment met with local town leaders at the Basmaya Range Complex June 26 to discuss projects and security issues.

Col. Fadhil Abbas, the Bey May Eagles commander, held the meeting to talk with the local leaders or sheiks on ways to improve relationships among the Coalition Forces, and also how to help facilitate projects in their communities.

"In working with the Iraqi army and Iraqi police and gentlemen like you, I think the future can be brighter. There is so much that can happen with cooperation," said Lt. Col. John Kolash-eski, the 3-1 Cav., 3rd Heavy Brigade Combat Team's squadron commander from Loudon, Tenn., addressing the group.

During the meeting, sheiks and 3-1 Cav. leaders separated into two groups to discuss security and projects.

Soldiers received information about where certain threats were coming from within the area in the security meeting.

"I will give you all the information you need because I am in so much pain about my area," a sheik said through a translator.

Soldiers and sheiks discussed plans to rebuild schools and youth centers, repave roads, and fix water problems in the projects meeting.

"We started delivering water to them, which was a short-term fix to a long-term water problem," said Capt. Damond Davis, 3-1 Cav.'s fire support officer from Montgomery, Ala. "The long-term fix is to repair the pump stations."

After the individual meetings, the groups came together to assess their progress. Cooperation between the Iraqi citizens, Iraqi Security Forces, and Coalition Forces is like building a house, Abbas said. A foundation must be set and similar meetings are the foundation to bettering the future.

Fifty-six sheiks attended a previous meeting to discuss similar issues in their communities, Davis said.

Security must be maintained to facilitate project completion, concluded those who attended the previous meeting.

If threats continue, than projects will be dropped, they all concurred.

Safety Thought of the Day

Stress

- Some amount of stress is necessary to enhance performance by challenging us.
- If the amount of stress crosses the threshold of what the individual can handle, performance will suffer.
- Acute stress—intense, brief episodes of work where factors of fear of failure or fear of physical harm are paramount.
- Loss of concentration
- Impaired task performance (making mistakes)
- Impaired judgment
- Chronic stress takes place over long periods of time and can lead to behavioral problems.
- Modulate your stress by:
 - Good general physical fitness with an adequate, moderate diet.
 - Develop a good work/rest cycle to ensure adequate rest
 - Modify work conditions to maximize productivity
 - Develop high levels of confidence in your subordinates by staying one step ahead of the enemy
 - Stay connected with family and loved ones

HEADLINE HIGHLIGHTS

Tax man gets rich off of fake taxpayers

REUTERS

BERLIN — A German tax official who stole more than \$230,000 from the state by inventing taxpayers and claiming money owed to them has been handed jailed for three years and three months, authorities said June 26.

Between 2003 and 2006, the man embezzled nearly 174,000 euros (\$234,200) from tax authorities in the southern city of Wuerzburg by cashing in rebates due from income tax returns he had filed for three imaginary taxpayers.

The man, who had worked at the tax office since 1981, also applied for a subsidy for home buyers on behalf of another fictional person, netting himself a further 16,000 euros.

All the money was transferred to various accounts he had access to, including ones held by his wife and mother-in-law.

An appeals court based in the

southwestern city of Karlsruhe found the man guilty of 16 cases of tax fraud and embezzlement, upholding a prior decision by a Wuerzburg court. However, it did absolve him of a previous conviction for computer fraud.

Barber stabs second client with scissors

REUTERS

AMSTERDAM — An Amsterdam barber has been arrested for stabbing a client with scissors, the second such incident involving the barber, Dutch police said on Saturday.

The client was stabbed and seriously wounded after a fight broke out earlier this week at the barber's shop, police said.

The barber stabbed another client with scissors in 2000. The man later died of his wounds, although the barber was cleared of any charges after a court found he had acted in self-defense.

Police said they were holding the man, 42, and investigating whether at-

tempted manslaughter charges should be brought against him.

Thief asks for "time out" in police chase

REUTERS

MANILA — Philippine police chased down an unfit thief June 26 after he ran out of breath and asked his pursuers for a "time out."

"He was panting and gasping for air when we caught up with him after a 500 meter sprint," Erwin Buenceso, one of the arresting officers, told local radio station dzBB.

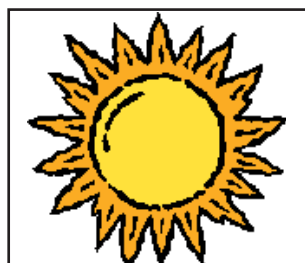
Buenceso said the man and an accomplice broke into a house in the Philippine capital and stole two expensive mobile phones. Screams from the residence alerted a local police patrol, which gave chase.

The robber asked for a "time out" using hand signals.

After he regained his composure, police seized the two stolen phones and brought him to a station for questioning.

Marne Weather Watch

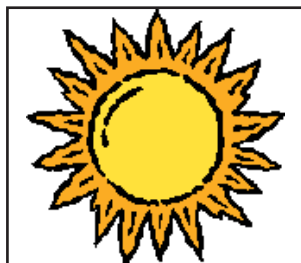
Thursday, June 28



Sunny

Low: 89F/High: 115F

Friday, June 29



Sunny

Low: 88F/High: 115F

ARABIC PHRASE OF THE DAY

Hands up

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from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

Solution to
yesterday's
puzzle:

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