

Agricultural self-reliance



Sgt. Jasmine Chopra

Brig. Gen. Edward Cardon, deputy commanding general for support for Multi-National Division – Center (left), discusses projects aimed at boosting agriculture and related businesses in al-Wahida with Dr. Subhi al-Jumaily, Iraq's senior deputy minister of agriculture (center) and Dr. Muthafar al-Khafaji, agricultural adviser to Iraq's prime minister at the al-Wahida Agricultural Research Station. See tomorrow's DFD for more on this story.

IA lieutenant gets prosthetic limb from Coalition forces

SGT. 1ST CLASS TAMI HILLIS
4TH BCT, 3RD INF. DIV.

FOB KALSU – At approximately 12:46 p.m., Jan. 10, everything changed for one Iraqi Army Special Forces platoon leader.

While on a joint mission with Coalition forces, the 8th IA Division Soldier was struck by an improvised explosive device as he crossed a pedestrian footbridge on the east side of Route Minnesota in the Chaka Four Region.

First Lt. Mohy Ali lost his right foot and sustained trauma to his right wrist in the attack

A little more than three months later, Soldiers from 4th Brigade

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Soldiers hand out clothes, shoes to Iraqi children

1st Lt. JOSHUA RAY

3-7TH INF. REGT., 4TH BCT, 3RD INF. DIV.

FOB ISKAN – Coalition forces handed out clothing and shoes to approximately 100 local Iraqi children in the small village of Tamin in Hor Hussein April 18.

Soldiers from Company C, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, teamed up with the Civil Affairs Detachment on FOB Iskan to coordinate the humanitarian aid mission.

The village was selected because of the extreme poverty that characterizes the area and the lack of support it has received in the past, said 1st Lt. Greg Hope, 4th Platoon leader, Co. C.

The handout was coordinated with Sheikh Adil of the local area. He was able to ensure that children would be available on the selected day, and that the children would remain as calm and orderly as possible to facilitate a controlled handout.

When the Soldiers arrived, they were immediately swarmed with children from the area. Adil had the children form an orderly line and wait patiently until they were called forward.

Afterward, Adil hosted a lunch for the Soldiers at his home where he said handouts and other similar actions go a long way to improving the opinion that the local people have of Coalition forces.

“The important thing was that the people have a high opinion of the Government of Iraq and the Iraq Security Forces, as they would be the permanent authority in the region,” Hope said.



Courtesy photo

About 100 local Iraqi children in the small village of Tamin in Hor Hussein line up to receive clothes and shoes from Coalition forces April 18.

	ATTENTION!! ATTENTION!!! <i>Days of Remembrance</i>	
<p>WHO: MNC-I Equal Opportunity Office</p> <p>WHAT: Days of Remembrance Observance</p> <p>WHERE: Al Faw Palace</p> <p>WHEN: Fri, 02 May 08, From 1000 - 1530</p> <p>WHY: Kristallnacht was initiated as a punishment to Jews for the murder of Ernst Von Roth, a German Embassy official in Parris.</p>		<p>Sequence of Events:</p> <p>1000 – Museum Displays, Eternal Flame lighting ceremony.</p> <p>1345-1530 Formal Program</p> <p>ALL MNC-C SOLDIERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND</p> <p>Why do we cast back our minds to all this today?</p> <p>Not in order to dissociate ourselves from our own history and not in order to point our finger at others who had become guilty... We commemorate in order to learn how people ought to behave toward each other and how</p>

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LIEUTENANT: *IA officer gets on his feet with help from 3ID*

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Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, are helping the 42-year-old Soldier get his life back to normal, one step at a time.

Capt. Jacob Turnquist, the 4th BCT surgeon, identified a clinic near the Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad, where Mohy was originally treated, that specializes in getting prosthetics for Iraqis. The IA Surgeon General's Office Prosthetics Clinic is run by Iraqis, with American civil affairs support.

Turnquist contacted the clinic and spoke with Chris Cummings, a retired Army medic and a prosthetist in the prosthetics clinic. Cummings, who is also an adviser for Multi-National Security Transition Command – Iraq, assisted the unit with the process.

The next step was linking Mohy up with Coalition forces in his area, which was done through Staff Sgt. Alfonza Chatfield, a medic with the 31st Military Transition Team, 4th Brigade Special Troops Battalion, in al-Hillah, Iraq.

Mohy was escorted to the Green Zone, Baghdad, April 21 by Chatfield, an 18-year veteran and Georgia native, to the prosthetics clinic.

Cummings checked Mohy's limb to ensure it had healed properly. Cummings then manually measured different parts of the limb. Next, with the use of a computer-aided design program, he created a three-dimensional view of Mohy's limb on a computer. Between the manual measurements and the program, Cummings generated a close representation of the limb.

With the information gathered from this first trip, Cummings will create a prosthetic foot for Mohy, which will be fitted during the next visit.

"I'm a commander and I want to get back with my Soldiers," Mohy said. "I want to be able to walk and run again."



Sgt. 1st Class Tami Hillis

Staff Sgt. Alfonza Chatfield, a medic with the 31st MiTT, escorts 1st Lt. Mohy Ali, an IA Soldier in al-Hillah, Iraq.

Safety Thought of the Day

Aerostat Operator Safety

- Leaders ensure Aerostat crews are properly trained and integrate CRM into all phases of operations.
 - Closely supervise individuals during all phases of the operation.
 - Conduct sustainment training quarterly.
- Ensure a minimum of 6 trained Aerostat Operators (AO) are on station at all times for launch, recovery and emergency operations.
- Ensure crews use and follow the approved checklist, paying particular attention to proper tether tension and weather conditions. AOs must receive and post a weather update from the Division Staff Weather Office every 4 hours or when the weather is changing.
- Unplanned Aerostat events resulting in property damage or personal injury, must be reported in the same manner as any other accident. If units have a break-away Aerostat initiate immediate reporting procedures to MND-C Chops and begin recovery procedures.
- Units operating Aerostats should comply with MND-C FRAGO 156 dated 22 APR 08.

Headline Highlights

Wanted: drinking partner; snob magazine; Jell-O attack

Son finds job-share drinkers to join dad at pub

LONDON (Reuters) - Found: drinking companions to join elderly gentleman for a friendly beer at his local pub.

Mike Hammond was bombarded with offers after advertising in his village post office for someone to accompany his 88-year-old father Jack on visits to a southern England pub from a nursing home.

He offered the lucky winner 7 pounds an hour plus expenses and, after sifting through the applicants, decided on a job-share. Drinking duties are to be divided between a retired doctor and a former military man.

"Dad's now going to be going down to the pub several times a week -- three with his new friends and twice with me," Mike Hammond told The Times on Thursday. "I want to give him some of his old life back."

Russian billionaire to set up magazine for snobs

MOSCOW (Reuters) - Russia's super-rich love to flaunt their wealth. Soon they will have a magazine called Snob to help them.

Mikhail Prokhorov -- whose wealth is estimated at around \$22 billion -- plans to spend \$150 million setting up a magazine, website and television station called Snob, the general director of the new venture told Reuters on Wednesday.

"It's for people who are successful and those who want to be successful," said Andrei Shmarov, who will run Snob.

Prokhorov, 42, made his fortune in the chaotic 1990s when businessmen bought up parts of former Soviet industries for a fraction of their real value.

The Forbes Rich List ranked Prokhorov as the 24th richest person in the world. He is one of the owners of Norilsk Nickel, the world's biggest nickel producer, and Polyus Gold, Russia's biggest gold producer.

According to the Oxford English Dictionary's online edition, www.askoxford.com, a snob is: "A person who has an exaggerated respect for high social position or wealth and who looks down on those regarded as socially inferior."

Shmarov said Russians attach a different meaning to the word,

"Snob to us means a person who is a 'self-made man', a person who has gained a right to snobbishness," he said emphasizing the main difference with the British meaning which he said referred to inherited wealth.

Russia has become rich over the last few years due to a boom in commodity and energy prices. No extravagance is too much in Moscow where the super-rich hold wild caviar and champagne parties in exclusive nightclubs behind fur-lined curtains.

Their chauffeurs loiter on street corners smoking cigarettes and polishing European and American luxury cars at the same time that about 20 percent of Russia's population live below the pov-

erty line and many grumble about the growing divide.

"It's not pleasant to boast about your wealth when you have inherited it but when you have made it yourself, well it is still not very nice, but it is justified," Shmarov said.

The unmarried Prokhorov attracted headlines in 2007 when French police detained him in the ski resort of Courchevel. They detained him briefly as part of probe into prostitution. The police later released him without charges.

Snob's magazine and website, which will focus on lifestyle features, business news and travel, will be available from this summer, Shmarov said, with the cable television channel following shortly.

Jell-O snack packs splatter over highway in Florida

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. - A driver is being treated at a Saint Johns County hospital after his truck overturned, spilling Jell-O snack packs all over I-95.

Police say the driver's truck flipped over this morning after it slammed into another truck. Individual packs of Jell-O splattered all over the highway, which caused a major traffic jam.

The driver was trapped inside the mangled truck, but was quickly rescued by police.

He was airlifted to the hospital and is being treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Police say no one else was hurt in the crash.

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from Sudoku Easy Presented by Will Shortz

Solution to yesterday's puzzle:

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ARABIC QUESTION OF THE DAY

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