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Girl focuses on 2ID Soldiers

Volunteer work, troop mission focus sets Dallas teenager apart from peers

Story and Photos by
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Editor

At the age of six, Tania Foster began to make a name for herself. She wrote the president, then Bill Clinton, expressing concern and curiosity about modern warfare, but that's not where Foster's story begins or ends.

"My dad has always been involved in volunteer work," Foster said. "I decided to follow him in what he was doing, and I started my own community projects."

Last year Foster visited her family here in Korea and noticed something she had never noticed before: American Soldiers. Unaware that Soldiers were stationed in Korea, Foster decided to take it upon herself to inform others.

"I was amazed at what I saw and the dedication you all have and I thought that I would like to show appreciation from our community for what you all are doing to serve our country," Foster said.

"I went to my community, my friends and family, and started asking for donations for the troops," Foster said. What began as a simple donation mission turned into something much larger.

The support she received was more than a 16-year-old could handle by herself, so she got a lawyer. Together they created Dallas is Love, a non-profit organization designed to support and

raise awareness for the troops stationed in Korea.

Between school and volunteer work, Foster set herself apart from other teenagers.

"People you would never think would donate have given generous donations – hundreds of dollars," Foster said.

Tania received support from multiple corporations, friends, family, strangers, the Dallas Cowboys and once again, Foster received a letter from the president, George W. Bush.

Enjoying the success her organization has received was not enough for Tania. She and her family wanted to spend time with 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers, so arrangements were made for her to meet and talk with 2ID Soldiers as well as the division's commanding general and command sergeant major.

During her visit, she distributed AAFES gift certificates and others items donated by businesses in Dallas.

"A lot of the guys were shocked that a young high school junior would think enough of the Soldiers over here to take a few days out of her time to spend a few hours in the heat just to say 'job well done,'" said 1st Sgt. Todd Shepherd, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry Regiment.

"I don't think you all understand the amount of work that you do to protect our country and so many others as well," Foster said.



Tania Foster tries on a gillie suit during her visit to Rodriguez Range May 31. She and her family visited Soldiers and handed out gifts.



Tania Foster started the non-profit organization, Dallas is Love, to raise awareness and support troops stationed here in Korea. She handed out gift certificates to Soldiers of the 2-9 sniper team.

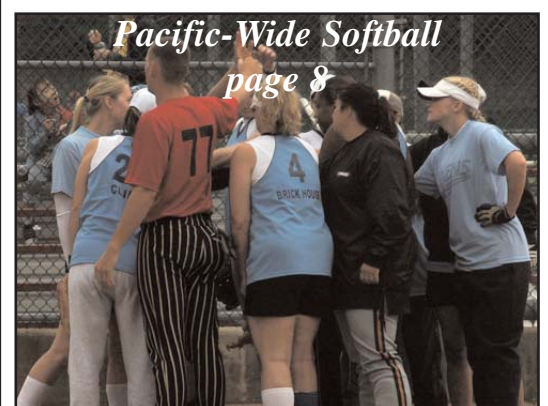


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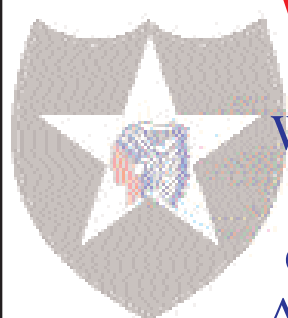
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VOICE OF THE WARRIOR: What is your most memorable experience in the Army or in Korea?



*Visit to Korean Folk
Village.*

*Command Sgt. Maj.
Alan Pendergast
STB*

*Warpath I, my first
training in the field.*

*Pfc. Park, Seung Bin
HQ, 2ID*



*Being picked by the
division command
sergeant major to be
his driver.*

*Pfc. Willyam Cardenas
HQ, 2ID*

*Airborne school.
It was adventurous.*

*Sgt. Ken Huguley
HQ, 2ID*



*Getting married and
traveling around the
world.*

*Sgt. Regina Parks
HQ, 2ID*

*Deploying to Iraq
from 2003 to 2004.*

*Staff Sgt. Lakita Williams
HQ, 2ID*



Knowing Warrior Standard guides Soldiers in success

**By Command Sgt. Maj.
James A. Benedict**
2ID Command Sergeant Major

The Warrior Standard is just that, the standard that all of us here in the great 2nd Infantry Division Area live and abide by.

It is the standard that reflects upon us as Soldiers and leaders to do the right thing at all times and to be that great ambassador for our country.

It's not just a set of rules to be broken. If you take the time to read the Warrior Standard and try to get a clear understanding of why it exists, you will soon realize its purpose. This book is just a list of extracts from Army Regulations and Field Manuals as a quick reference to you.

There is a portion that states how we, as Soldiers, are required to act and dress a certain way to be that fine example that represents a great group of people. I respect the fact that all of us have had a different upbringing in our lives as well as in the military, however, the

Warrior Standard was developed to place all of us in the same category - Soldiers.

The Warrior Standard applies to every Soldier in the 2ID area. Whether you wear the big black patch or not, you should show the respect to a great division with years of history. There is a revised Warrior Standard on the way. The Warrior Standard dated 2005 is still in effect. That is the standard that all Leaders should be enforcing.

As you already know, we have new commanders at every level here in Korea - 2ID, Eighth Army and The United States Forces Korea - and therefore there have been changes in various policies and regulations. With that, we here in 2ID will tailor our Warrior Standard with the Eighth Army handbook and the senior commander's policies.

Our goal in this great division is to give all of you a clear set of standards that all understand. Standards will be written to support our mission and our location. As you know, 2ID is still considered

a restricted tour. Because of that, there will have to be rules and policies governing our area of operations.

In any case, I would ask all leaders at all levels to enforce the standard. We need to stop picking and choosing what to enforce and what not to enforce.

An acronym that can be remembered to assist any leader to be successful is SAD.

It's a good thing, and it's what we stand for as leaders - Standards, Accountability, and Discipline.

We are an Army of standards and we are professionals at every level. Wherever duty calls, we as leaders have to be engaged at that echelon. We owe it to our great Soldiers to apply and enforce the standard. In the mighty Warrior Division it is the Warrior Standard. "SECOND TO NONE."





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June 19 at 4 a.m.: R.O.K. vs France**

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COLA changes for FY 2007

By Gen. B. B. Bell
UNC/CFC/USFK Commander

In January and February 2006, servicemembers throughout Korea participated in the OCONUS Cost of Living Allowance Survey. The Results of the survey demonstrated that while the cost of goods and services in Korea increased during the preceding 12 months, the cost of comparable goods and services in CONUS increased at an even greater rate during the same time period.

The significant point is that even though prices in Korea remain higher than prices in CONUS, the difference between the two is smaller today than it was a year ago. Because COLA is intended to compensate for the cost difference between Korea and CONUS, the Department of Defense will, in accordance with law and DOD regulations, adjust our COLA which will result in an overall decrease.

This fall, servicemembers in Korea will see a downward adjustment in their COLA authorization. The COLA adjustment will vary based on duty location with the smallest decrease in Seoul (10 percent) and the largest in Daegu (16.7 percent). To lessen the financial impact on servicemembers and their families, these adjustments will occur in two phases: half Oct. 1st and half Nov. 1st.

The purpose of this message is threefold: first, to inform all of our servicemembers of the COLA adjustments so that they are aware of and can plan for the upcoming adjustment in total pay; second, to explain what COLA is; and third, to explain the critical role surveys play in ensuring our servicemembers receive the right amount of COLA.

The bottom line is that COLA improves the quality of life of our servicemembers and their families by adding dollars to their take-home pay each month. COLA is a non-taxable allowance designed to strengthen our servicemembers' purchasing power by compensating them for the difference between the

cost of living in Korea and the cost of living in CONUS. To determine the appropriate amount of COLA, DOD regularly conducts surveys in Korea and in CONUS to compare the cost of common goods and services purchased off post. DOD then uses the results of these surveys as one set of criteria to set the COLA for each Korea location.

Several factors impact our COLA rate. These factors include the Korean Won exchange rate, service-member and family member shopping patterns, prices of items throughout our communities, duty location, and accompanied status.

Surveys are the regulatory tools used to determine shopping patterns and prices in communities, and to ensure COLA is set at levels authorized by law. The survey results establish the index that indicates how much COLA is paid.

Through your leadership and engagement, 13,045 people responded to the online survey, reporting what they buy and where they buy it. This was a tremendous response. Appointed representatives from the community then collected prices at locations from the survey to establish price levels in each community. These price levels are then compared against CONUS price levels of similar goods and services for military families. The COLA compensates Servicemembers for the difference in these price levels.

Servicemembers can look up their COLA rate at <https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem/ocform.html>. A decrease in COLA indicates that the gap between CONUS and OCONUS prices has narrowed. In this instance this does not mean that prices in Korea have declined, but that they increased at a slower rate than the prices in the United States. More information about COLA and the changes can be found at <https://secureapp2.hqda.pentagon.mil/perdiem>. Clicking on Overseas COLA, and again on COLA INDEXES will lead to the published index rates.

The Korean Won exchange rate also affects the service-member's purchasing power for the portion of shopping conducted off post. Consequently, the exchange rate is reviewed twice each month to ensure that COLA retains its intended level of purchasing power.

Changes in the exchange rate drive adjustments in COLA. When the Won strengthens, it lessens the purchasing power of the dollar and could drive an increase in COLA. Correspondingly, when the Won weakens, it increases the purchasing power of the dollar and could drive a decrease in COLA. That is why we see continuous and periodic changes to our COLA throughout the year.

It is important that we get the word out now to all Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines, so they can plan for this adjustment in total pay. We will continue to conduct surveys required by regulation to ensure DOD implements COLA adjustments fairly and properly. Leaders must continue to emphasize the importance of COLA surveys throughout their organization. Supporting these surveys is the only way to ensure that our military personnel continue to get the COLA they need and so richly deserve.

We will ensure that you know and have an opportunity to participate in the next round of surveys. Only through your participation can we ensure that our servicemembers and families receive the maximum amount of COLA authorized by law and regulation. POC for COLA information in Korea is the Finance Policy Division, 175th Financial Management Center. You can reach them by phone at 725-3201, by email at shawn.anderson@korea.army.mil, or by visiting their website at <http://175fincom.korea.army.mil>.

We Go Together!



WRC Opens



Mr. Yu, Hu Son

The Warrior Readiness Center on Camp Stanley formally celebrated its opening May 25 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The facilities at the new WRC replace the ones on Camp Mobile. The new WRC offers amenities for Soldiers to enjoy while in-processing such as a bowling alley, a gym and larger classrooms.

5k Fun Run



Master Sgt. Chris Patterson

Runners take off at the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club 5K fun run May 26 at Camp Casey. If you are interested in becoming a member of the SAMC, please contact Master Sgt. Thomas Ricks, president of the 21D Chapter at 732-7638.

Personnel services change in Korea

By Sgt. Maj. Terry Coy

GI Sergeant Major

June 2nd marked a historic day for the 509th Personnel Services Battalion and the 2nd Infantry Division. The 509th PSB officially inactivated in a superbly executed, but solemn ceremony outside Maude Hall at Camp Casey.

The inactivation of the 509th PSB is the first step here in Korea and is just a small part of the massive transformation taking place across the Army.

This transformation within the Adjutant General Community is all part of the new Personnel Services Delivery Redesign. What does this transformation mean for the customer the PSB used to support? PSDR transfers the PSB functions to the Brigade and Battalion S-1 sections.

The Soldiers who used to perform those functions in the 509th PSB have now begun working in the brigade and battalion S-1 sections across the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team, the FIRES Brigade, and the Special Troops Battalion in preparation for 2ID's full transition to PSDR in September 2006.

Moving those Soldiers to the S-1 sections gives the S-1 section the ability to provide better service to the

Soldiers within the unit.

This historic change affects the location where the Soldier goes to receive their personnel support. The Soldier will still go to their battalion S-1 section as the first step in this process.

If the battalion commander does not have authority to approve the Soldier's request, the battalion S-1 will send the request to the brigade commander, who will have authority to approve more types of personnel actions.

If the brigade commander does not have the authority to approve the personnel action, the brigade S-1 section will send the personnel action directly to the Division G-1, 8th Army G-1 or Army's Human Resources Command in Alexandria, VA for final approval. This change will enable the Soldier to receive a timelier response to their individual request.

In addition, the brigade S-1 section will now deal directly with HRC in administering personnel service support and personnel management (enlisted and officer distribution). The battalion or brigade will now control the quality of personnel service support to the Soldiers in their unit.

The 509th PSB provided outstanding service to 2ID for many years, but



Pfc. Kim, Sang Pil

The 509th PSB inactivated June 2nd, as will all PSB's Army-wide by this autumn, as the Army transitions to a different personnel support system.

the successful implementation of information, visit the website, PSDR will ultimately improve the <https://www.hrc.army.mil/site/active/TAGD/CDID/PSDR/default.htm> combat readiness of 2ID. For more

Warrior News Briefs

Vocalist Needed

The 2nd Infantry Division Band is looking for male and female vocalists.

Requirements for consideration include being in the rank of Sgt. or below, have diverse vocal experience, have six months left before DEROS and have your unit be willing to release you for duty with the band.

For more information, call 732-6695.

CIA Information session

The Central Intelligence Agency is holding a two-hour information session June 12 and 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Balboni Theater in Yongsan.

The session will cover a broad range of topics, including agency mission, potential career opportunities and a question and answer period.

Attendees not in uniform must have proof of U.S. citizenship. To make reserva-

tions, call 738-7334.

Tax Assistance

The 2nd Infantry Division will be offering a Tax Assistance Program for the 2005 tax year until June 15.

The TAP provides free federal income tax preparation and electronic filing services to all active-duty servicemembers, military retirees, dependents and eligible civilian employees in Warrior Country.

For more information, call Capt. Erin Delevan at 730-1885 or by email at erin.delevan@korea.army.mil.

Sgt. Audie Murphy Club

If you're interested in becoming a member of the Sgt. Audie

Murphy Club or are currently a member looking for activities to get involved in with the club, call the new 2ID SAMC Chapter president, Master Sgt. Thomas Ricks at 732-7638 or by email at thomas.ricks@korea.army.mil.

Virtues Program gives back

By Capt. Stacy Ouellette

8th U.S. Army Future Operations

YONGSAN GARRISON – The Seoul USO sponsors a Virtues Program as part of the Good Neighbor Program. Volunteers travel from all areas to participate in teaching English to Korean children in the local area. Five people are making it a family affair by taking part in this program together.

Capt. Noemi Hernandez, 275th Signal Company Commander from Brownsville, Texas decided to volunteer after hearing about the program through her soldiers. She thought it was a great opportunity not only to show her support, but to incorporate community service work into her family's lifestyle.

"I wanted to make sure that my children are giving back. As a family, I hope we gain a closer bond. I am busy as a commander and this allows us time to spend together making a difference. It's a great program," Hernandez said.

Hernandez' children, both

students, Jawhar, 14, Seoul American Middle School and Aneesah, 15, at Seoul American High School were happy to chip in.

"I wanted to help Korean kids learn about our language and culture. Sometimes there is a bad image for Americans and not all are fall into it. We do care," Aneesah said.

"Today's lesson on caring was a good one for our family. We are a good example of it and were happy to be there together. It wasn't a waste of time and I'd encourage others to come out," Jawhar said.

Another family volunteer team is 1st Lt. Ruth A. McDermott, 275th Company, 41st Battalion, 1st Signal Brigade and her sister Maureen, visiting from New York. They both decided to help out because of their love for children. Doing it together makes the experience extra special.

"Being able to do anything with a family member is a perfect way to bond, share experiences and create memories," Maureen McDermott said.

"It has more meaning vol-

unteering with my sister because we are able to relate our experiences and talk about what works well for us and what doesn't," Ruth McDermott said.

"I have a great passion for working with children. I hope to learn more about the Korean culture and to inspire the children to want to learn English," Ruth added.

By volunteering, it allows Ruth to prepare better for her Master's Degree in Elementary Education, which she is currently working on. Maureen also wanted similar experiences.

"There's more out there in the world to see and experience! Take advantage of the opportunity of being in Korea and having a chance to learn about other people and their culture. You may learn something from it or gain something insightful," Maureen McDermott said.

For more information about volunteer opportunities, please contact Heeyun Lee, the Seoul USO Marketing/Community Relations Manager at 724-7003.

ROTC cadets visit 2ID

By Sgt. Koh, Sang Soon
Staff Writer

CAMP CASEY – Reserve Officers’ Training Corps cadets of Konyang University visited the Close Combat Tactical Training at Camp Casey, May 26. It was the first time the 42 ROTC cadets experienced high-tech simulation modules that express real combat situations.

“Virtual training enhances unit live training exercise and improves unit warfighting readiness,” said Harold Mead, manager of CCTT, while giving a briefing about the CCTT to the cadets. He proudly said that the facility was named after the Korean War hero, Gen. Paik, Sung Yub for his meritorious service, when it was opened in 2002.

After the briefing the cadets had an opportunity to look around the military vehicle simulators indoor and then tour the static displays set up for the visitors outdoor.

The cadets were divided into three groups and experienced modules of Abram, Bradley and HMMWV. “To train without mobilizing expensive equipment helped a lot. Also, the training was easy to approach, just like a video game,” said Jo, Sung Woong, senior of Konyang University.



Pfc. Jang, Dong Hoon

The ROTC Cadets of Konyang University are learning about the U.S. military vehicles.

“I became a gunner and shot the enemy’s tank through the simulator,” said Lee, Sang Hyun, junior of Konyang University. “Training before going out to the field will cut down expenses, enhance the Soldiers’ readiness and even preserve the environment.”

While the cadets were looking over, Soldiers from the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team and the Fires Brigade stood ready to answer any questions the visiting cadets had about the equipment.

“My mission is to demonstrate to

the cadets how to operate the tank modules, I explain how it works and the cadets get a chance to shoot for their own,” said Pfc. David A. Taylor, C Co., 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt. “It was the first time for me to meet Korean Soldiers who are not KATUSAs (Korean Augmentation To the U.S. Army Soldiers). It was a great experience for me, too.”

The cadets looked over the facilities and listened carefully to the Soldiers. “At the battlefield, as soon as you realize you are out there, you are dead.

To train before going out to battle will make a big difference,” said Lt. Col. Park, Jae Shik, commander of Konyang University ROTC. “I think this visit is a great experience to the cadets, to gain a better understanding of U.S. Army tactical vehicles.”

Before the tour, the cadets had lunch with the U.S. Army officers who were also once ROTC cadets, and promoted their friendship and strengthened their leadership development.



Pfc. Jang, Dong Hoon

The static displays gave the ROTC cadets a better understanding of U.S. Army equipment.

Asian-Pacific Heritage Celebration



Pfc. Lee, Seung Hyub

Morale, Welfare and Recreation threw a bash celebrating Asian-Pacific culture at Mitchell’s Sports Bar and Grill May 27. Filipino bands played music while attendees ate ethnic food and watched performances including a Tae-kwon-do demonstration. There were many activities, including sumo wrestling and face painting.

Movies

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 7 & 9 p.m., Sun. 6 & 8 p.m., Mon.-Tue. & Thur. 7p.m.
Jun. 9 ... The Da Vinci Code;
Lucky Number Slevin
Jun. 10 ... Lucky Number Slevin;
Take the Lead
Jun. 11 ... Lucky Number Slevin;
Stay Alive
Jun. 12 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 13 ... ATL
Jun. 15-16 ... X-Men: The Last Stand
Jun. 16 ... The Benchwarmers
Jun. 17 ... Phat Girlz;
The Benchwarmers
Jun. 18 ... The Benchwarmers;
Basic Instinct 2
Jun. 19 ... Phat Girlz
Jun. 20 ... The Benchwarmers
Jun. 22 ... The Break-Up

Camp Casey

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Sun. 3, 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Mon.-Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9 ... Lucky Number Slevin;
Ultraviolet
Jun. 10 ... Take the Lead;
Ultraviolet
Jun. 11 ... Stay Alive
Jun. 11-12 ... The Da Vinci Code
Jun. 13 ... Eight Below
Jun. 14 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 15 ... Lucky Number Slevin
Jun. 16 ... The Benchwarmers;
Phat Girlz
Jun. 17 ... The Benchwarmers;
Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector
Jun. 18 ... Basic Instinct 2
Jun. 18-19 ... X-Men: The Last Stand
Jun. 20 ... Slither
Jun. 21 ... Phat Girlz
Jun. 22 ... The Benchwarmers

Camp Hovey

Show times: Mon. -Fri. 7 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 3 & 7 p.m.
Jan. 9 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 10 ... Madea’s Family Reunion;
The Da Vinci Code
Jun. 11 ... Slither;
Lucky Number Slevin
Jun. 12 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 13 ... The Da Vinci Code
Jun. 14 ... Lucky Number Slevin
Jun. 15 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 16 ... Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector
Jun. 17 ... 16 Blocks;
X-Men: The Last Stand
Jun. 18 ... Phat Girlz;
The Benchwarmers
Jun. 19 ... Slither
Jun. 20 ... X-Men: The Last Stand
Jun. 21 ... The Benchwarmers
Jun. 22 ... Phat Girlz

Camp Humphreys

Show times: Mon. -Fri. 6:30 & 9 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 3:30, 6:30 & 9 p.m.
Jun. 9-11 ... The Da Vinci Code
Jun. 10-11 ... Ice Age 2: The Meltdown
Jun. 12-13 ... Basic Instinct 2
Jun. 14-15 ... Take the Lead
Jun. 13 ... ATL
Jun. 16-18 ... X-Men: The Last Stand
Jun. 17-18 ... The Benchwarmers
Jun. 19-20 ... Phat Girlz
Jun. 21-22 ... Scary Movie 4

For more information on movie schedules or to see if there are any changes, visit www.aafes.net.

SLICC slings into town

Story and photos by
Pfc. Amanda Merfeld
Editor

CAMP CASEY – The rotor-wash from helicopters blowing on Soldiers marked the beginning of the final test for the sling load inspector's certification course. Soldiers from Area I participated in this week-long course that included various written and visual tests.

SLICC trains specialists and above in basic sling load operations, like using hand signals to communicate with aircraft personnel and aircraft recognition and limitations.

They are trained to confidently maneuver cargo hook- reach pendants, basic hardware and expendables, cargo carrying devices and safety equipment.

The students were taught hook-up team and signalman duties and responsibilities and the proper rigging and inspection of loads.

"I think this training should be mandatory throughout the Army for all personnel dealing with aircraft," said Staff Sgt. Frank Howard, Bravo Troop, 4 Squadron, 7 Cavalry Regiment. Howard was one of 46 Soldiers to successfully complete SLICC.

Mobile Training Team instructors for the certification course came from Fort Lee, Va. to teach Soldiers here and other locations how to be successful leaders during any sling-load opera-



Soldiers inspect their load for transportation. The loads are double-checked by the instructors.

tion.

"We train Soldiers in Germany, Singapore, Alaska and other places not in CONUS," said Staff Sgt. Jason Brown 2nd Battalion, 62 Quartermaster Company, Aerial Delivery and Field Services Department

The course is conducted as a local course at Fort Lee, and as a mobile training course at other host installa-



Soldiers quickly run toward the aircraft during the first sling-load exercise.



Soldiers prepare to hook up the HMMWV to the incoming helicopter.



A instructor oversees Soldiers during the hands-on part of the course.

World Cup 2006 is coming up!

By Pfc. Kim, Sang Pil
Staff Writer

Super Bowl vs. World Cup

The Super Bowl is something that all Americans love watching and it is a yearly event and celebration at the same time. But the World Cup, held every four years, is something that everyone in the world loves to watch and anticipates. The last one was co-hosted by Korea and Japan in 2002. This time, it is in Germany.

The 30-minute commercial fee during the Super Bowl was about 2.6 million dollars this year, the highest ever. More than 133 million people watched the Super Bowl on TV. A \$600 first floor ticket was traded for \$9,000.

Football is a national pastime for Americans. Soccer is more or less a national religion and pride when it comes to the World Cup and the Korean National Soccer team.

A reporter of British Broadcasting Company in England, Charles Scanlon wrote in his May 24 article, “The red shirted masses waved national flags and belted our favorite songs from the last tournament – it felt like a religious revival than a pep rally for a sporting event.”

Just as the Super Bowl would affect many American’s late winter schedules, the World Cup this year will rearrange official matters like the ROK Reserve Army training schedule. During soccer matches that the Korean National Team plays against Togo and France, ROK Reserve Army will not be mobilized.

Military Affairs Division has announced that they will reschedule the training dates for ROK Reserve Army that conflict with the Korean national soccer team’s World Cup game dates May 17.

Therefore, the three day-two night trainings that start June 12 and 13 will be moved to June 14 and 16. The training scheduled for June 19 and 21 will be moved to June 21 and 23. The Korean national soccer team plays against Togo at 10 p.m. June 13 and against France at 4 a.m. June 19 in Korean regional time.

On the MAD website, people requested for rescheduling of the training saying that they won’t be able to watch the game on TV if they train on the same dates of the games that Korea plays according to the ROK Army regulations, they have



Pfc. Amanda Merfeld

A giant Republic of Korea flag is raised by the red-clothed crowd, cheering for the Korean National soccer team. Wearing the red T-shirts was originated by the Korean National soccer team supporters club called ‘Red Devils’, the biggest supporters club in Korea.

to sleep during the game.

“There was some trouble with the rescheduling at first,” said an official of MAD. “But taking into consideration the enormous national expectation and belief in our team for the World Cup, we worked it out with Ministry of Defense to reschedule the training dates.”

“I have already talked with my employees about opening extra hours so that everyone can enjoy Korea’s national pride,” said Rene DeJesus, the manager of Camp Red Cloud’s Mitchell’s club. “Because my staff and I are well aware of the fever that Koreans showed four years ago, we decided to open until midnight on Tuesday night, the 13th and open at 0330 in the morning of 19th and provide breakfast for any Soldiers at a reasonable price. I just hope that the Soldiers get some time off work like it happens for the Super Bowl. Korean people wait four years to watch their team play.”

World Cup Germany 2006

The 32 teams including the Republic of Korea and the United States, qualified from respective continents will be placed in eight different groups and play a full league with the other three teams in each group. Korea belongs in Group G along with those soccer power-

houses like France and Switzerland. The last team in Group G, Togo, an African team is playing in the World Cup finals for the first time.

On the other hand, the U.S. team is in Group E along with power houses like Italy, a triple time winner of the World Cup and Czech Republic. Also, Ghana in Group E is another African team on a maiden flight in the World Cup finals. It looks like both Korea and U.S. teams will not have any easy games. However the ball is round and can result in a surprise, just like Korea did four years ago when they finished 4th which none of us had ever expected in World Cup Korea/Japan 2002.

The top two teams in each group advance to tournament called ‘round of 16’. The winner of Group A plays the second place in Group B and the winner of Group B plays the second place in Group A in the tournament of knock out rounds. The same thing works for the rest of the groups. The winner of Group C plays the second place in Group D and the winner of Group D plays the second place in Group C, and so on.

There will be a total of 64 games in World Cup Germany 2006 including group leagues, round of 16, quarter final, semi final and the final game. Korea plays Togo at 10 p.m. June 13 and plays France at 4 a.m. June 19. Korean then plays Switzerland June 24 at 4 a.m. (Korean regional time). Massive crowds all over Korea are expected to hold the red T-shirts pep rally at those times.

Comparison of Super Bowl and World Cup in Numbers		
	Super Bowl XL	World Cup Germany 2006
Number of people watching on TV	0.1 billion	70 billion
Economic effect	0.35 billion dollars	11.6 trillion dollars
Lowest ticket price	2,250 dollars	800 dollars
Number of tourists	0.1 million	1 million
Number of participating teams	2	32
Year	40 (held every year)	18 (held every four years)
Venue	Detroit, U.S.A.	12 cities in Germany
Number of players playing per team	11	11
Number of referees per game	7	4
Prize money for the champion team	68 thousand dollars	19.4 million dollars

World Cup Germany 2006 - Groups			
A group	B group	C group	D group
Poland Germany Costa Rica Ecuador	England Paraguay Trinidad and Tobago Sweden	Argentina Côte d'Ivoire Serbia and Montenegro Netherlands	Mexico Iran Angola Portugal
E group	F group	G group	H group
Italy Ghana USA Czech Republic	Brazil Croatia Australia Japan	France Switzerland Korea Republic Togo	Spain Ukraine Tunisia Saudi Arabia

Pacific-wide tournament earns mens' three-peat win

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Yongsan Garrison, South Korea – Forty two teams showed up for the 72-hour, round-the-clock marathon softball tournament. Only two would leave victorious.

Twenty four men's and 18 women's team battled for the top spot as Pacific-wide champions over Memorial Day weekend. Teams traveled here from all over the peninsula, Japan, Hawaii and the continental United States vying for a chance to win it all.

Day one looked promising under beautiful sunny skies as the hopefuls started out the five round robin games each team was guaranteed to play. The weather didn't cooperate for long, however, and by the time each team was playing their third game in an effort to secure themselves a shot at the finals, the rain and the wind began.

The nasty weather did little to dampen the competition spirit of the players as they continued on until the four fields were soaked and at least one was flooded. Some quick game rescheduling, a good night's rest and a bit of field maintenance brought the teams back for day three of tournament.

When all was said and done, the Kyungbuk ladies shut out Pusan 10-0 in the final game and



Above: A Guzzler player hustles to first base but comes up short due to an impressive stretch. Below right: Master Sgt. Thomas Ricks fields a ball at second base.

earned the title 2006 Women's Pacific-wide Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament winner.

In a three-peat showing, the seemingly unbeatable men's team, the Guzzlers, an international team, won for the third straight year in a row, beating out the Heat, 18-15.



Top: An Osan player makes the most of a flooded field after the game was called due to heavy rain showers. Directly Above: A Guzzler slides into second base. Right: A Club Red Japan player swings at a pitch.

