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2ID Chaplain speaks to 7,000

By Pfc. Anthony Hawkins Jr.

Staff Writer

The sanctuary of Kumnan Methodist Church in Seoul was packed with nearly 7,000 eager listeners Oct. 15 as Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Mike Durham stood before them to speak.

A special privilege was given to the 2nd Infantry Division's chaplain when he was invited to give a sermon to the congregation.

Several months ago I met Chaplain Durham, said Bishop Kim, Hong-do, the church's senior pastor. I felt he is a very good and faithful chaplain, so I decided to invite him to my church.

Durham, who has served as a chaplain for 17 years, said he has never spoken in front of such a large crowd.

I'm always nervous inside before speaking, he said. Papa always said you should never get into the pulpit without being a little nervous. But the music and the spirit of the place took all of the butterflies away. I felt very welcomed.

The church's congregation is an example of how strong faith and unity can cause exponential growth.

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ROK, U.S. Soldiers play joint concert

Story and photo by
Cpl. Lee, Seung Hyub

KATUSA Editor

For the second year in a row, the 21st Annual Autumn Leaves and Culture Festival kicked off with a joint band concert at Dongducheon Citizens Hall.

The 2nd U.S. Infantry Division Band, ROKA 28th Infantry Division Band and

Dongducheon Information Industry High School Band came together for a joint concert Oct. 20.

First Lt. Park, Young Mi, who suggested the joint concert of three bands, said that he was very pleased because the concert didn't stop as a single event, but became an annual event. Since it was our second harmony, we were able to play

as a team, said Park.

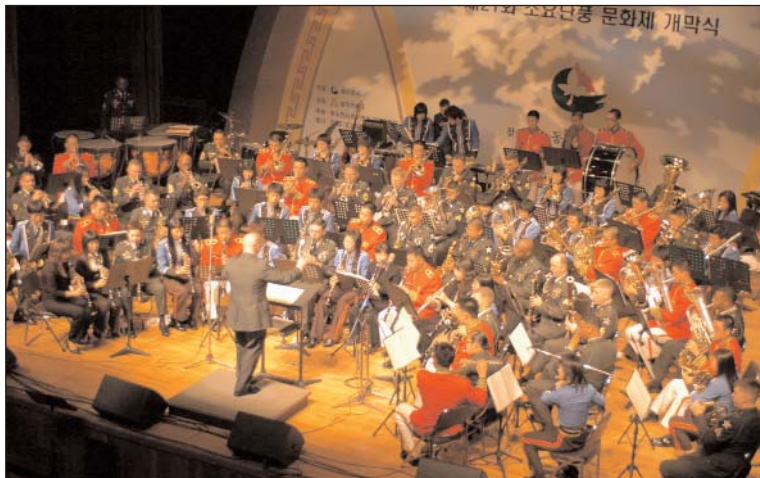
Dongducheon Citizens Hall was filled with citizens even before the concert began under the direction of Cpl. Yoon, Yoo Ra, of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2ID.

Concert goers were deeply immersed in beautiful and majestic melodies such as "The Magic of Andrew Lloyd Webber," "Don't Cry for me Argentina" from the musical "Evita" and the title song of the musical "Phantom of the Opera."

Chief Warrant Officer Thomas Hager, 2ID band director, said they purposely chose to play popular music to involve the audience. At this concert, we wanted to make people happy with familiar songs.

When the popular Korean songs "My love at my side," "The place that your step stays" and "Cocktail love" were played, the crowd gave the bands a standing ovation.

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The 2ID band (Class A uniform), ROK 28ID band (red uniform) and Dongducheon Information Industry High School band (blue uniform) conducted a joint concert Oct. 20.

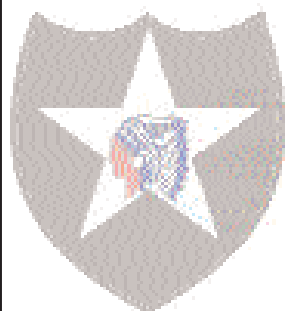


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**VOICE OF THE
WARRIOR:**
What is your
favorite part of
being in the
field?



*A good change of
pace and it s
something different.*

*Pfc. Mario Baker
HHSC, 2ID*

*Not having to worry
about all the
distractions.*

*Master Sgt. Henry Gilder
HQ, 2ID*



*How the unit comes
together.*

*Spc. Stephen Barnard
2ID Band*

*Setting up equip-
ment and making
sure it works.*

*Pfc. Christopher Schober
HQ, 2ID*



*The teamwork and
camaraderie.*

*Spc. Erica Best
A Co., 168th Medical BN*

*Getting some real
experience.*

*Spc. Jeff Smith
HQ, 2ID*



2ID Career Counselor of the Year

Congratulations to the commanders, officers, noncommissioned officers and career counselors of the 2nd Infantry “Warrior” Division! Because of your team efforts throughout the Korean peninsula, 2ID was not only successful, but exceeded its combined retention goals for Fiscal Year 2006.

By reenlisting 108 percent of our eligible Soldiers peninsula-wide, 2ID was instrumental in the Army’s ability to accomplish its retention goals in support of our nation’s continued fight against terrorism.

Staff Sgt. Kerry Osburn, representing the 2-9th Infantry Battalion, was selected

as the Warrior Division’s Career Counselor of the Year Sept. 20. Throughout heated competition, Osburn’s cool composure and vast knowledge of the Army Retention Program, the Reserve Component’s Enlistment and Transfer Program and Army Special Programs allowed him to excel past his competitors from other 2ID units. The 2ID Retention Team would like to congratulate Osburn on his outstanding performance.



Casey, CRC legal centers announce limited hours

In order to provide legal support for the upcoming Warpath III exercise, the Camp Casey and Camp Red Cloud legal centers will have a limited number of appointments with attorneys, as well as limited power of attorney and notarization services Nov. 6-9 and Nov. 16-20.

The Camp Casey and Red Cloud legal centers provide legal services to servicemembers, dependants, retirees and contractors of the 2nd Infantry Division. The Camp Casey and Camp Red Cloud legal center normal operating hours are from Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for appointments only and for walk-in service

es on Thursday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Powers of attorney and notarizations are offered on a walk-in basis during office hours.

Each legal center will post their hours on the office doors. You may also call each office for further information.

The claims offices at both Camp Casey and Camp Red Cloud will maintain their normal office hours during the exercise.

The centers are closed every day between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. for lunch. Schedule an appointment at the Casey Legal Center by calling 730-3660 and the Camp Red Cloud Legal Center by calling 732-6099.

Mailing Dates Deadline from MPOs in Korea

DESTINATION	1ST CLASS LETTERS/ CARDS	PRIORITY	PAL	SAM	SAM (Over 15 lbs./60” combined L/W)
CONUS	11 DEC	11 DEC	4 DEC	4 DEC	N/A
APO/FPO AP	11 DEC	11 DEC	11 DEC	11 DEC	N/A
APO/FPO AE (Exceptions below)	11 DEC	11 DEC	11 DEC	11 DEC	N/A
APO/FPO AE 09502, 09508, 09568, 09587, 09588, 09593, 09596, 09704, 09709, 09725, 09727, 09728 09729, 09730, 09731	11 DEC	11 DEC	4 DEC	27 NOV	14 NOV
APO/FPO AA	11 DEC	11 DEC	4 DEC	27 NOV	14 NOV

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Individuals can submit articles by the following means: email 2IDpao@korea.army.mil; EAID-PA, APO, AP 96258-5041 Attn: Indianhead; or drop by the office located in building T-507 on Camp Red Cloud. To arrange for possible coverage of an event, call 732-8856.

Family members visit gunnery exercise



Soldiers carefully load the MRLS during their gunnery exercise Oct. 17.

Yu, Hu Son

By Cpl. Lee, Yoon Joo
Staff writer

ROCKET VALLEY – A rocket fired from the launcher screamed over the mountain, shaking up the serenity of the range, as 6-37 Field Artillery conducted a Multiple Rocket Launch System gunnery exercise Oct 17.

For this gunnery exercise, which is a tri-annual event, two batteries, Alpha and Bravo, from 6-37 FA participated, operating six launchers for each battery. With three rockets firing per launch-

er, 36 rockets were fired.

“This is the last gunnery exercise for this year as we have already conducted it in April and June,” said Lt. Col. David Danikowski. “The purpose of this exercise is to qualify the MRLS crews and to test the live-fire rockets.”

As the firing started, the launcher found itself flat and stable ground among the bumpy terrain for the safe firing. Then, after receiving an approval message from the fire direction center, with a few minutes preparation and a five second countdown, a rocket was fired, leaving a smoke trace behind as it zipped across the sky.

“A rocket can devastate the area of 140 meters in length and width once it hits the ground,” Danikowski said.

The rocket headed toward the target at Santa Barbara, which was 11 kilometers southwest from the range. The firings were made one at a time with a 10-15 minute pause in between for safety reasons.

Although the sound of the rocket firing resembled loud thunder in the middle of a harsh storm, Soldiers looked rather calm.

“I am quite experienced with the rockets since this is fourth time for me participating in a MRLS gunnery exercise,” said Spc. Richard Gee from Alpha Battery. “It helps me sustain my skill as I go through the same exercise more than once.”

Additional to the exercise, it was also Family Day for 6-37 FA Soldiers. On Family Day, families of the Soldiers are invited to the range and get chance to see what their fathers and husbands do in the field.

This only happens in gunnery exercises with the approval from the commander. They already had Family Day at the middle of this year in previous gunnery training. While Soldiers were waiting for their turn to fire, they spent time with their families.

“It is nice to see what my husband does when he is in the field,” said Terri Mack, the wife of Pfc. Casey Mack from Bravo Battery. “Children also seem to enjoy their time here. Although they looked pretty scared when the rockets were fired, they really enjoyed eating MREs.”

“By inviting my family here and giving them chance to see what I do, they get to understand and appreciate more of what I do,” said Pfc. Mack. “I think Family Day is a great idea.”

SERMON

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“When I came here in 1971, the church had only 100 members and met in a small room,” said Kim. “Now, the church is 12 stories tall and has over 100,000

members. It is now one of the largest Methodist churches in the world.”

American and Korean faith communities welcomed the opportunity to celebrate the faith and friendship that bind

them together, Durham said.

“Opportunities like these help to build bridges with the local community,” said Durham, who came to Warrior country in July 2006.

Faith is a big part of the Korean culture, Durham said.

Worshipping together is a very important part in a relationship with the community. It helps bring down the cultural barriers, and they become one people under God.

“The main message of my sermon was that in our hearts and in our homes we have choices to make everyday,” said Durham. “My encouragement was to give God that first place in our lives.”

Durham, a graduate of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and an ordained Southern Baptist minister, said it was an honor to participate in a worship service together with Kim.

“For me to be here in Korea and speak to this congregation is a high-water mark in my ministry,” he said.



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Mike Durham, 2ID chaplain, gives a sermon at Kumnan Methodist Church Oct. 15 while Bishop Kim, Hong-do, senior pastor of the church, translates.

CONCERT

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“We want to keep the relationship between us and the two other bands’ members whose skills are great,” Hager said. “I think we made a good memory and many friends through this concert.” Pfc. Seok, Joseph, ROKA 28ID Band, echoed the sentiment.

“At first, it was hard to get closer to each other because of the language problem, however now I feel like we are good friends,” said. “From now on I might study English to prepare for next year,” Seok said.

“We became one by communicating with the international language called music,” Park said. “I am overflowing with joy by the fact that we could promote ROK-U.S. friendship through this concert.”

Area I clothing drive helps orphans, homeless shelters

In support of the 2ID Good Neighbor Program, the 2ID Chaplain’s Office is organizing a clothing drive for orphanages and homeless shelters in Area I. The drive is to exercise good faith and fortune through donation during the holiday season. It also helps to enhance positive relations and foster friendship with the local community.

Units must provide the name of the orphanage or shelter each unit will donate items to and the plan of execution no later than Nov. 15. The clothing drive will take place Nov. 21.

ROK Navy visits U.S. port

Story and photo by
Seaman Jonathan Husman
Fleet Public Affairs Center, Pacific

SAN DIEGO – The Republic of Korea Navy vessels Dae Jo Yeong (DDH 977) and Dae Cheong (AOE 58) arrived at Naval Base San Diego Oct. 17.

The port visit is part of a 115-day midshipman training cruise program designed to increase understanding and awareness of allied and maritime partner capabilities.

“The U.S. has been a tight ally and friend,” said Rear Adm. Son, Jung Mok, the training force commander. “We are taking the opportunity to use this visit to enhance the relationship between the two countries and the two navies.”

The five-day port visit kicked off with a reception and ceremony aboard Dae Jo Yeong, which united ROK and American Sailors, as well as individuals from the San Diego Korean community.

The visit by the two South Korean ships was part of a 12-port, nine-nation Pacific deployment titled “ROK Navy Cruise Training Force,” during which ROK midshipmen joined its sailors in engaging their American counterparts.

“It’s more than a delight, it’s a distinct honor and privilege to have these beautiful ships and magnificent-looking sailors arrive here in San Diego,” said Rear Adm. Gar Wright, deputy, Joint Forces Maritime

Component Commander, U.S. 3rd Fleet.

According to Wright, the ROK midshipman training cruise, which was planned more than a year ago, is just one example of the longstanding alliance between the United States and Republic of Korea.

“The ROK Navy and the United States Navy have more than partnership; we’ve had a friendship for the last 50 years,” said Wright. “It’s a great foundation for regional stability in north-

east Asia. I continue to see our two navies getting closer and closer together.”

Prior to their arrival in San Diego, the two ships visited Pearl Harbor and San Francisco. According to Son, the San Diego visit will be one of the highlights of the training cruise.

“My sailors have been looking forward to visiting San Diego,” said Son. “They are excited to learn about the U.S. Navy and enjoy the amazing culture that San Diego has to offer.”



The Republic of Korea (ROK) Navy vessels Dae Jo Yeong (DDH 977) arrives at Naval Base San Diego. The port visit is part of a 115-day midshipman training cruise program.

Giving back to your local community: Combined Federal Campaign Overseas

By Cpl. Kim, Sang Pil
Staff Writer

We all have experienced the feeling of sympathy for those in need such as those who are suffering from illness but can't afford to be treated or those who want to go to college but financially are unable. The Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas is a great way to donate to those in need and in an efficient way for all U.S. Government personnel serving overseas.

CFC-O is a program that allows federal employees to donate to charitable organizations. CFC's mission is to support and to promote philanthropy through a program that is employee-focused, cost efficient and effective in providing all federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality life for all.

Any federal employee is eligible to contribute.



Employees can select which programs they would like to support, and can contribute in many ways. Contributions can be deducted straight from an employee's leave and earnings, or paid for in cash or check.

According to CFC-O chain of command, to make a contribution, employees can start by contacting a keyperson in their workplace who solicits CFC

and fill out a pledge card. A keyperson is appointed by unit coordinators to solicit individual potential contributors for their gift.

After a keyperson has a contribution, it is passed up the chain to a unit coordinator. A unit coordinator is appointed by Community/Area Project Officers.

After the unit coordinator

takes record of a contribution on the unit, squadron, company, division or geographically separated unit level, all contributions are passed up to a CAPO.

A CAPO takes record of contributions on installation/area or GSU level where contributions are then passed up to the component manager or country area

coordinator.

After contributions finally reach this point they are recorded on component or country level and are finally passed to the command program manger where all contributions from overseas-Central, European, Pacific and Southern commands-are reviewed and processed in accordance with charities.

Contributions must be more than \$1 and there is no limit on how much a contributor can give. Contributors can choose from over 19,000 charities that are listed in the 2006 contributor brochure or online at www.cfcoverseas.org. Last year, over \$16 million dollars was raised worldwide through CFC. In Area I alone, \$271,000 was raised.

If you would like to be a contributor, contact a keyperson or unit coordinator in your work place. This one step will "make a world of difference."

Chapel Service Times

Camp Red Cloud

Warrior Chapel
Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
11:30 a.m. M-F
4 p.m. Saturday
9 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA
7 p.m. Sunday
COGIC
12:30 p.m. Sunday

Camp Casey

Stone Chapel
Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6:40 p.m. Tuesday

Memorial Chapel
Gospel:
11 a.m. Sunday

KATUSA:
6:00 p.m. Tuesday

West Casey Chapel
KATUSA:
6:30 p.m. Thursday
Protestant:
10:30 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
12 p.m. Sunday
LDS:
2 p.m. Sunday

Camp Hovey

Hovey Chapel
Catholic:
9 a.m. Sunday
Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
6 p.m. Tuesday

Crusader Chapel
Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday

Camp Stanley

Protestant:
10 a.m. Sunday
Gospel:
11 a.m. Sunday
Catholic:
1 p.m. Sunday
KATUSA:
7 p.m. Tuesday

Camp
Humphreys

Catholic:
11:45 a.m. M, T, T, F
9:30 a.m. Sunday
Protestant:
10:30 a.m. Sunday

Camp Castle

Castle Chapel
KATUSA:
6 p.m. Tuesday

Point of Contact:

Camp Red Cloud
732-7469
CRC Catholic: 732-6428
Hovey Chapel 730-5119
Memorial Chapel
730-2594
West Casey: 730-3014
Stanley: 732-5238
Humphrey: 753-7952
Camp Castle: 730-6889
Orthodox worship service
Saint Nicholas Cathedral:
753-3153
LDS: 730-5682
Other services including
bible studies and fellow-
ships are offered in some
chapels. Please call for
complete schedules.



Movies

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 7 & 9 p.m.,
Sun. 6 & 8 p.m., Mon., Tue. & Thur.
7 p.m.
Nov. 3 ... *Flags of Our Fathers;*
Idlewild
Nov. 4 ... *Idlewild;*
The Wicker Man
Nov. 5 ... *The Wicker Man;*
Invincible
Nov. 6 ... *Beerfest*
Nov. 7... *The Wicker Man*
Nov. 9 ... *Running with Scissors*
Nov. 10 ... *Running with Scissors;*
Crank
Nov. 11 ... *Crank;*
Hollywoodland
Nov. 12 ... *Hollywoodland;*
The Last Kiss
Nov. 13 ... *The Descent*
Nov. 14 ... *Crank*
Nov. 16 ... *Hollywoodland*
Nov. 17 ... *Gridiron Gang;*
The Black Dahlia
Nov. 18 ... *The Covenant;*
Invincible
Nov. 19 ... *The Black Dahlia;*
Gridiron Gang
Nov. 20... *The Covenant*
Nov. 21 ... *The Wicker Man*

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.
Nov. 3 ... *Idlewild;*
Invincible
Nov. 4 ... *Idlewild;*
The Wicker Man
Nov. 5 ... *Flags of Our Fathers;*
Flags of Our Fathers;
Invincible
Nov. 6 ... *Flags of Our Fathers*
Nov. 7... *The Wicker Man*
Nov. 8... *Idlewild*
Nov. 9 ... *Accepted*
Nov. 10 ... *Crank;*
Hollywoodland
Nov. 11 ... *Crank;*
The Last Kiss
Nov. 12 ... *Running with Scissors;*
Hollywoodland;
Nov. 13 ... *Running with Scissors*
Nov. 14 ... *Miami Vice*
Nov. 15 ... *Crank*
Nov. 16 ... *Hollywoodland*
Nov. 17 ... *The Black Dahlia;*
The Covenant
Nov. 18 ... *The Black Dahlia;*
Gridiron Gang
Nov. 19 ... *The Covenant;*
Gridiron Gang;
Beerfest
Nov. 20... *The Wicker Man*
Nov. 21 ... *The Covenant*

Camp Stanley

Show times: Mon. -Fri. 7 p.m., Sat. 7
& 9 p.m., Sun. 7 p.m.
Nov. 3 ... *Idlewild*
Nov. 4 ... *The Wicker Man;*
Invincible
Nov. 5 ... *The Wicker Man;*
Nov. 6 ... *Idlewild*
Nov. 8... *Running with Scissors*
Nov. 9 ... *The Wicker Man*
Nov. 10 ... *Crank*
Nov. 11 ... *Hollywoodland;*
The Last Kiss
Nov. 12 ... *Crank*
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Nov. 15 ... *Crank;*
The Wicker Man
Nov. 16 ... *Hollywoodland*
Nov. 17 ... *The Black Dahlia*
Nov. 18 ... *Gridiron Gang;*
The Black Dahlia

Warrior News Briefs

Thanksgiving
Special

Mitchell's Club on Camp Red Cloud is offering a Thanksgiving special to Soldiers and family members. You can order your entire holiday meal to go by reservation.

To make a reservation, call Rene DeJesus at 732-8189 or 732-8211 to make your order by Nov. 21.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the Troop Medical Clinic and the Dental Clinic at Camp Casey. Volunteers will provide a host of services including chaperoning, administration, pharmacy and other vital functions. Persons who are bilingual are very much needed. Please contact the American Red Cross at 730-3184 for more information.

Wash Rack Canteen
Needs Volunteers

The Camp Casey Wash Rack Canteen is open for business. The American Red Cross needs volunteers to help hand out coffee, hot chocolate, popcorn and other items to our Soldiers. If you are able to donate an hour or two to help keep the coffee pot going and the popcorn popping, please call Sandy Chambers at the American Red Cross at 730-3184.

Tricare

You must enroll your family in TRICARE Prime and can enroll in TRICARE Dental if you have Command Sponsorship. If your family is here and is not sponsored you automatically default to TRICARE Standard, but still can enroll in TRICARE Dental. For more information you can visit the TRICARE website at: <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/> or call 736-8558 for TRICARE Prime or Standard Information. For TRICARE Dental, please call 736-5051.

New Chapel Event

The Camp Red Cloud Warrior Chapel will hold a male-only Bible study and breakfast at 8 a.m. every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month.

If interested, call Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Mike Durham at 732- 7998, or just come in the Annex located just next door to the Warrior Chapel.

Flu Immunizations

The flu immunization is available to family members at the following locations and times:

121 General Hospital 7 a.m.- 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Camp Humphreys 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Camp Casey, Camp Red Cloud and Camp Stanley 1-3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Not all TMCs will be fully operational on Thursdays and times may vary. For more information, please call your local TMC.

2ID Safety Guy
Show

Tune in Fridays at 5 p.m. on Warrior Radio FM for "The 2ID Summer Safety Show" featuring Chuck Ryan, the 2ID Safety Guy. Listen all-week to the station, learn that week's Safety Phrase that Pays, be the right numbered caller, and you'll win a \$50 AAFES coupon courtesy of Area I Exchange New Car Sales.

Immigration

The Area I Army Community Service will host a immigration presentation presented by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Dec. 6, at Camp Casey Theater
Call 730-3107 to sign-up.

91W EMT Refresher
Course

EMT refresher courses for 91W will be held on Camp Casey in Building 2036. The classes will be held from Dec. 1-5, 6-8 and 11-13. For more information call, Staff Sgt. Apphia Taylor at 730-2113.

Meet base camp security guards



A Joeun Systems security guard is getting the identification card from the driver to scan it. This is one of daily tasks for a SG.

Story and photo by
Pvt. Kim, Hosik

Staff writer

You see them everyday. They stand at gates, with their BDUs and a little device that ‘beeps’ when it reads your ID card. They drive around the camp at night; they wear side arms and brassards. But they are not MPs. They are the SGs, the Joeun Systems Security Guards.

Joeun Systems is the company which provides the guard services for U.S. Army installations in Korea. The company was established in 1993, with a motto “Better solutions for a safer world.” Nowadays, it provides more than 3,100 security guards to various companies and facilities, such as the Incheon International Airport.

“KSG, or the Korean Security Guards, are responsible for access control,” said Douglas Atwater, Director of Area I Directorate of Plans Training Mobilization and Security, and also the supervisor of Area I security guards. “They check ID cards and access passes to our camp to ensure a person is authorized to come on base.”

In order to perform this task, a KSG utilizes DBID, a Digital Biometric Identification Device. This device, the size of a Palm Pilot, reads barcodes from the ID cards, pass forms and vehicle decals.

Wirelessly it sends the information to the database located in Yongsan, and within a second (by the time you hear the ‘beep’) it authorizes the card holder’s ID.

Though the job may sound simple, working in shifts of 8 hours every day is not an easy deal. With the rising tension and terrorism worldwide, KSGs are tested and qualified their weapons by U.S. Army. Area I also mandates Rules of Engagement training.

Kim, Yong Suk, a security guard who works at Camp Red Cloud’s front gate, said “We report any suspicious or coercive behaviors to MPs and hold the suspect until they arrive. Our training is focused on how to manage this process with no one getting harmed.”

Kim, who’s been to CRC for about three months, said he likes to see people’s smile. “When I see an U.S. Soldier, he or she would say hello or at least smile. It’s definitely a feel-good moment of my work.”

In the Area I, there are eight active camps and a few closed ones. Approximately 340 KSGs work at these camps, either mobile or stationery. “KSGs have a very difficult job. It is not a glamorous job.

They stand out there for six to eight hours providing security at the access control point,” said Atwater. “Respect the KSGs, who are doing their jobs the best they can, for you.”

Isaac House visits haunted house



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

Children play musical chairs before visiting the haunted house.



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

Soldiers help children color Halloween-themed pictures.

Children from the Isaac House Orphanage visited Camp Casey Oct. 28 to celebrate Halloween with Fires Brigade Soldiers.



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

Soldiers painted the children’s faces before they went trick-or-treating.

No romance without finance

By Pfc. Antuan Rofo
Staff Writer

For some, money is the biggest issue in life. It's the cause of many relationship problems, divorces, and is known as the root of all evil.

Personal financial management can help Soldiers of all ages and ranks spend and save money without having to live beneath or outside of their means.

Personal Financial Management classes provide participants with a practical approach to gain control of and to manage money effectively.

"The goal of this training is to provide the tools to handle money wisely and to make informed purchasing decisions," said Jimmy Smith, Army Community Service Area I Financial Readiness Program Specialist.

According to Smith, smart consumers should not always buy the name brand products.

The named brand and the generic brand are made in the same factory, he said.

"The only difference between the two is that one comes with a nice box and a good commercial," said Smith.

Another good way of managing money is to pay oneself first and then pay everyone else, he said.

The Thrift Savings Plan is a very good way to follow this advice. TSP is a Federal Government-sponsored retirement savings and investment plan. The TSP is a defined contribution plan, said Smith.

A Soldier can contribute as little as one percent of their basic pay each pay period, and it can provide Soldiers with an additional source of retirement income in addition to the uniformed services

retired pay. The contributions and earnings are the Soldiers to keep, even if they separate from the uniformed services before retirement.

"The beauty of TSP is that the money is taken even before the federal government takes out its share," said Smith.

Spending money more wisely is one of the biggest ways of keeping finances under control, He said. Using credit cards wisely, rent a house instead of buying one, pay cash for small items, stop buying lotto tickets, and eat lunch out only once a week are all ways to save money or become a smarter consumer.

Collections agencies calling, letters of indebtedness, and bounced checks are signs that help is needed. If trouble is at this level there are several types of solutions. Create a new budget that focuses on paying off debt.

Take non-necessities taken off of the shopping list and save the money.

Don't add to debt, talk to debt consolidators to help get monthly bills reduced. Bankruptcy should be the absolute final solution to uncontrollable debt.

When creating a new budget take into consideration income should always exceed expenses.

Know where all income is coming and going and resist advertisement. Be a prepared consumer at all times research high dollar items and stick to your budget.

Personal financial management is different for every person. For those that want to make it a reality and see the benefits of knowing where their money is and where it's going, remember to make the most of the money that is in the bank, be a smart consumer, save for retirement and enjoy life.

Manchus induct 22 new noncommissioned officers

By Sgt. Maj. Timothy Johnson
2-9 Inf. Operations Sergeant Major

On Oct. 21, 2nd Battalion, 9th Infantry inducted nine U.S. sergeants and 13 KATUSA corporals into the ranks of the noncommissioned officer corps.

The quarterly induction ceremony was held at the Warriors Club on Camp Casey and involved more than 150 NCOs from within the battalion.

The ceremony marked the passing of a Soldier (the inductee) into the corps of the noncommissioned officer. The roots of the NCO dates back to 1775 when the NCO corps was developed.

Baron Freidrich von Steuben, at the direction of General George Washington, addressed the role the sergeant and corporal would take in his "Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States," also known as the Blue Book.

The induction ceremony was the first held by the battalion in a long time so developing one was time consuming at first but in the end proved very valuable.

The challenge was to figure a way that the Korean Augmentation to U.S. Army NCOs could be included since there was no ceremony marking their induction into the corps. The unit took the U.S. NCO creed and NCO charge and had the ROKA staff make Power Point slides of the same.

The documents were made to reflect ROKA rank and the ROK flag in the background and were then produced and turned out

extremely well.

The ceremony began with the entrance of the inductees and the official party. The narrator then read the history of the noncommissioned officer, recognized a Manchu Medal of Honor recipient, and then the background of the NCO creed.

First Sergeant Wesley Long, Alpha company first sergeant, then read the NCO creed while the inductees repeated it. Following the creed, Sgt. Maj. Seo, Kwang Myung ROKA sergeant major for the battalion, read the NCO "Charge" to the inductees.

Command Sgt. Maj. Jason Silsby, battalion command sergeant major, was the guest speaker. He spoke of the history of the noncommissioned officer, general military authority, and the importance of such an event. He commented later that it was evident that the KATUSA corporals were extremely proud to be recognized in such a manner.

Then began the process of the inductees coming forward to cross the time honored line and join the ranks of the NCO corps. The inductees sponsor, usually the first line supervisor, first had to recite a short biography about the inductee before he could be allowed to cross the time honored line.

After stepping across the line, the inductee signed his NCO Charge and received his NCO creed along with the Army NCO Guide.

Once all inductees had crossed the line this marked the end of the ceremony. After singing the 2nd Infantry Division Warrior March and the Army song, the NCOs moved next door into the lounge area for the informal portion of the ceremony.

Court martial findings

Camp Casey legal center

- A sergeant from Headquarters and Headquarters Support, 6-37 Field Artillery, 2nd Infantry Division, pled guilty to larceny, attempted larceny, wrongfully destroying others property, wrongfully opening others mail, wrongfully taking others mail and obstruction of justice, in a general court martial Monday at Camp Casey. He was sentenced by the Military Judge to be reduced to the rank of private, forfeit all pay and allowances, confinement for four months and a bad conduct discharge.

- A sergeant from Bravo Battery, 1st Battalion, 15th Field Artillery, 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 2ID, pled guilty to larcenies, forgeries of others signatures, making a false official statement about the larcenies, and wrongfully disposing of another's property in a general court martial Wednesday at Camp Casey. He was sentenced by the military judge to be reduced to the rank of private, forfeit all pay and allowances, confinement for 17 months and a bad conduct discharge.

Tune into 2ID Talk Show on Warrior Radio, 88.3/88.5 FM, 3 to 6 p.m. every

Wednesday.

If you miss the show, you can catch it again every Friday and Monday at 6 p.m.

To make song request, call 730-6324.

Check thoroughly, check often Breast Cancer Awareness Month

By Pfc. Antuan Rofo
Staff Writer

More than 180,000 women and 1,400 men in the United States will develop breast cancer this year, and over 43,000 women and 300 men die from it annually.

Breast cancer is a malignant growth that begins in the tissues of the breast. Worldwide, breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death, after lung cancer, according to Dr. W.R. Spence, MD.

“Readiness through health is our motto,” said Kenneth Cobb, 18th Medical Command Force Health Protection’s health promotion coordinator for Area I.

Early detection is the key to the successful treatment of breast cancer, and therefore, survival. Unfortunately, some women ignore the early warning signs, hoping that their symptoms will go away or

fearing that they will die from breast cancer, said Spence.

Some of the signs of breast cancer are a lump in the breast, an unusual increase in the size of one breast, a change in the shape, a puckering of the skin of the breast, an unusual swelling of the upper arm, an enlargement of the lymph nodes, a new dimpling of the mamilla, a change in the areola, and any unusual discharge from the mamilla.

“Breast self-examination is the best way to check for breast cancer,” said Cobb.

Breast self-examination should be done every month from puberty until death. The most important thing to look for is change from month to month. The best time to do BSE is seven to 10 days after your last menstrual period. After menopause or following a hysterectomy, it’s a good idea to perform BSE on a monthly basis, on the first day of the month or on a

date every month that is significant to you, said Spence.

According to the American Cancer Society, one out of eight women in the United States will develop breast cancer at sometime in their lives. Age and ethnicity are significant factors in evaluating risk. Some other risk factors include a family history of breast cancer, early menstruation and late menopause, oral contraceptives (birth control pills), diet, hormone replacement therapy, physical characteristics-obesity, had first child after age 30, began menstruation before age 12, alcohol consumption (more than one to two drinks a day), and exposure to radiation.

“Proactive prevention will keep women from getting their breast taken away,” said Capt. Daisy Wilson, Army public health nurse for Area I.

In the fight against breast cancer, it is recommended that males and females get a mammogram. It is a health-

care provider’s most valuable diagnostic tool for detecting breast cancer. It can detect breast tumors in the earliest stages. Researchers recommend that every woman should have a baseline mammogram at age 40. From 40-49, she should have a mammogram every one to two years, and after age 50, have a mammogram annually.

In addition to the procedure already outlined, there are other tests a doctor may do if he/she finds a suspicious breast lump or tumor that includes: surgical biopsy, core biopsy, fine needle aspiration, ultrasonography, CAT scan, and an MRI.

There are also several treatments that are used if breast cancer is detected to help save a life or the breast. A lumpectomy is a procedure that allows the breast to be saved. The tumor and surrounding tissues only are removed through a small incision. Partial and simple mastectomies involve

removing part of the breast. Modified radical mastectomy is the removal of the breast, underarm lymph nodes, and the two chest muscles, and a radical mastectomy removes the skin, breast, chest muscles, and all underarm lymph nodes. Chemotherapy, hormone therapy, drug therapy, radiation, and drug therapy are all treatments that are meant to deter the spread of tumor and cancer cells in the breast.

Every October is Breast Cancer Awareness month and this October marks over 20 years of the public being educated about breast cancer.

“The good news is that women are more informed about their health than ever before and are working as partners with their health-care providers to prevent breast cancer,” said Spence.

For more information, visit www.nbcam.com or you can contact 18th Med Com at DSN: 737-3085.

Local cinema offers English-speaking movies

By Cpl. Kim, Sang Pil
Staff Writer

When is the last time that you went to watch a movie in an off-post theater, not in your barracks? You probably miss the American-style cinemas that you used to go to back home in the States. This weekend, make it your movie night with your buddies at THC9 located on the 14th and 15th floors of the tall land-mark building behind Uijeongbu train station.

THC9 is a multi-cineplex with nine theaters. It is the only theater in the Uijeongbu area, so that there are always lots of people coming to see movies there. THC9 stands for Tae Heung Cineplex 9. Tae Heung is originally a Korean film company that has produced 36 movies including Director Lim, Gwon Taek’s “Chwi-hwa-sun” that won him the best director award at Cannes Film Festival in 2002. THC9 is directly managed by Tae Heung Film Company.

The theaters in THC9 have a number of seats ranging from 132 to 226 seats per theater. All of the seats are couple seats as necessary by pulling up the side handles with cup holders. There are also supplementary seats for young children to

acquire good views.

Ticket prices vary according to time of the shows and age of the viewer. But the first shows of every movie costs 4,000 Won. Young children under six and people over 65 years of age are also charged 4,000 Won, regardless of time. For adults, it is 7,000 Won except for the hours from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Elementary to high school students are charged 6,500 Won at all times.

Along with Korean movies, many American movies are showing currently or will be showing soon in THC9 are: Silent Hill (Nov. 9), Grudge 2 (Nov. 16), and 007 Casino Royal (Dec. 21).

The snack bar of the theater sells popcorn, sodas, nachos, hotdogs and peeled and toasted chestnuts. On the 14th floor, there are arcades, a coffee shop and a convenience store. One floor below, there is a food court, where you can eat before or after the movie.

Directions: From CRC front gate, take bus number 2, 3 or 5 and get off at the stop where you see the new Dunkin’ Donuts and Baskin Robins store on the left corner. The building is called the Central Tower has a big THC9 sign at the top.



Courtesy Photo

Group-dining on the go



Sarah Underhill

Soldiers pull a tab to activate the Unitized Group Ration-Express. UGR-E modules serve hot meals for up to 18 warfighters without requiring kitchen equipment, cooks, fuel or a power source. With the new rations, hot meals are ready to eat in about 30 to 45 minutes.

Not too late to cast your ballot

By Sgt. Sara Wood
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON— Servicemembers and U.S. citizens living overseas still have time to register, request a ballot and vote in November’s mid-term elections, said the Defense Department official in charge of the absentee voting program.

While the registration deadlines for some states have passed, absentee voters can still register and request a ballot from about 30 states, said Polli Brunelli, director of the Federal Voting Assistance Program.

She also urged overseas citizens who have received a ballot to complete it and send it in to ensure their votes are counted.

“If you’ve gotten your ballot, vote it and return it,” Brunelli said. “If you haven’t gotten your ballot, if you

haven’t registered and you want to register, there’s still time to do it in many states.”

The Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site, at <http://www.fvap.gov>, has state-by-state information on registration and voting deadlines. The site also offers a feature that lists electronic voting options for absentee voters, such as faxing or e-mailing ballots.

Because the mail system can be irregular, many states are instituting these electronic options for absentee voters, Brunelli said.

It’s up to the individual states to decide what is acceptable, she said, but about 35 states allow a blank ballot to be faxed to overseas citizens, and about 26 states allow a voter to send back a voted ballot by fax. These electronic options are helpful for troops deployed overseas, who often

can’t rely on the mail system, she noted.

“We’re trying to make voting as easy as possible,” she said. “It really isn’t that complicated.”

Electronic voting procedures do bring a certain amount of risk for confidentiality, Brunelli acknowledged. Because of that, voters who wish to use electronic procedures have to sign a security waiver saying they understand the risks, she said.

If overseas citizens have not received their ballots yet, they can use a Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot, which is available at U.S. embassies, consulates and military installations, Brunelli said.

These ballots are accepted by all states and allow the citizen to vote for federal offices, she said. However, if someone has completed the write-in ballot and receives a state ballot later,

he or she should still complete and send in the state ballot, she said.

The military has about 1.4 million potential absentee voters, and federal employees serving overseas and other citizens living overseas bring that number up to a potential 6 million, Brunelli said.

Absentee voters usually participate at high rates in presidential elections, but often the smaller elections, like next month’s, don’t get the participation they should, she said.

“It’s important to vote in all elections,” she said. “Mid-term elections are incredibly important to the military member, to your families.

It’s your chance to voice your opinion and make a determination on who’s going to represent you. It’s an opportunity to participate in the electoral process; we want to encourage everyone to do that.”

Army’s last MASH becomes a CSH

By Christine June
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MIESAU, Germany – Ending its almost eight-year run as the last of its kind, the 212th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital became the 212th Combat Support Hospital Oct. 16 on Miesau Army Depot in Kaiserslautern, Germany.

“You can be assured that if you are wounded on the battlefield and you make it to the 212th CSH, you will live. That’s how great Army medicine is, and that’s how well equipped and confident the Soldiers of the 212th CSH are,” said Col. Angel Lugo, the last 212th MASH and first 212th CSH commander, during the conversion ceremony.

The mobile medical unit was made famous by the TV comedy, “M*A*S*H.”

“When you mention the word ‘MASH,’ the American public quickly associates it with a field hospital that saves lives on the battlefield, but our

Soldiers are not like those TV characters,” Lugo said. “Our Soldiers are professionals on the battlefield, and our doctors and nurses are focused on taking care of those who are wounded or injured on the battlefield.”

“The CSH is a 248-bed hospital, but we can take an 84-bed or 44-bed piece out of it so we can be very light and mobile and be far forward and take care of Soldiers on the battlefield,” said Brig. Gen. David Rubenstein, Europe Regional Medical Command commanding general.

The CSH’s 84-bed field hospital can also be expanded by a stateside Reserve unit with an additional 164 beds. If needed, the CSH can grow even larger.

“And if the Army needed us to be bigger and cover a large area, they just give us our 164 beds or plug and play another organization like ours – that’s the beauty of a transformed modular medical force,” said Lugo, whose last assignment was as the Office of The Surgeon General’s MRI program director, where he

gained insight on the lessons learned by watching other unit conversions.

The CSH will also offer more medical services to Soldiers on the battlefield.

The 212th MASH’s last deployment was to Pakistan. Before the unit could deploy they had to gather specialized equipment and professionals from other hospitals throughout Europe.

“Now, we don’t have to do that. They are already a part of the 212th CSH, so when we get the deployment order, we take our own people and equipment, and we don’t have to task-organize as much,” said Davis.

Specialty care and three Intermediate Care Wards will allow the CSH to hold patients for one to three days.

“We are a much stronger Army if we can treat Soldiers in the battlefield for a couple of days and return them to their units instead of evacuating them out of theater,” said Rubenstein.

How to change the world, one step at a time

By Spc. Holly Stephani
593rd Corps Support Group

AL ASAD, Iraq – I don’t think of myself as a runner, because when I’m running I don’t think of myself.

Most people run because they want to lose weight, are competitive, need to relieve stress or just want the free T-shirt to prove what they have done. Similarly, some people join the military because they want to get fit, have a drive for power and glory, or want to make their family proud.

Our society has become self-centered; we have forgotten how to do things for a rea-

son other than our own gain.

I am one of five children, and I always wanted someone to notice me. I wanted to do something great, but I was never sure what to do. So I tried it all - sports, clubs, church groups, etc. I was always good, but never great.

When I joined the working world, I still felt the need to succeed and prove myself. I kept searching for the right niche, jumping from job to job. But, what I needed was to do something for someone else. So I joined the Army in February 2004. Soon after joining, I found out I was pregnant. I wanted to stay fit,

but I also wanted to make sure I gave my baby the best head-start possible.

I watched my mother exercise throughout her pregnancy with my youngest brother, who ended up athletic and smart. I wanted to give my son the same advantages, so I worked out while I was pregnant. For the first time, I was exercising for someone else’s benefit.

One week after giving birth, I started jogging - first one mile, then two, adding a little distance every week, until I could run 10 miles. I continued to improve my running by working out with the

Fort Lewis Army 10 Miler Team. I often thought about my son on long runs. Our coach would motivate me by saying, “Do it for your son.”

This June I deployed to Iraq, knowing my son (now a year old) was in good hands with my husband. Now I’m running in the desert - through 130-degree temperatures, sand and wind. I am driven by people who say they want to be like me, not because it boosts my ego, but because I am afraid of letting them down.

My motivation to wake up at sunrise for a 12-mile run is the hope that others will want

to do the same. I am motivated to run by people who watch on the sidelines, in the hope that they will one day want to join me and lose that weight, find a relief for their stress or maybe just to get a free T-shirt.

In Al Asad, Iraq, we had our own local version of the Army 10 Miler, called a “shadow run.” I placed second, finishing in 1 hour and 16 minutes. Not a record for me, but fast enough to get noticed.

I am not setting any records or winning any battles, but I’m changing my world, one step at a time.

Soldiers see the emerging gem on Gyeonggi-do cultural tour

Story and photo by
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Staff Writer

The sounds of bells ring out in the early morning at Bongsan temple as 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers gathered around the open doorways, gazing inward toward the direction of the sound.

The Soldiers were on a Korean Cultural and Industrial tour sponsored by the Gyeonggi Provincial government. The trip was offered free of charge to help give Soldiers an understanding of the Korean culture in which they live.

The first stop of the tour was Bongsan temple located in Namyangju. The temple, which was founded in 969 during the Goryeo dynasty, is home to Buddhist monks. Every morning, surrounded by the beautiful mountain scenery, the monks offer prayers using bells and chants in front of a large statue of Buddha.

Following a traditional Korean lunch of bulgogi, the tour stopped at Heyri Art Village. Created in 1997, this village located in Paju presents the artistic culture of Korea. Over 370 artists call this village home, including writers, painters, architects and musicians.

There is much to see in the art village. You can watch an artist work or see the finished product in one of the museums of galleries. The name Heyri comes from the traditional farming song in Paju.

In the afternoon, Soldiers witness the future of technology at the LG Phillips LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) Display Cluster in Paju.

The facility is the largest LCD-producing facility in the world. Soldiers received a sneak peek at what next-generation LCD monitors will look like, including the world's largest seventh-generation LCD, which is 90-inches wide.

After getting a glimpse of the future, Soldiers took a look into the past at the Baesangmyun Brewery. At the Korean winery, Soldiers learned about traditional Korean liquor that has been brewed for centuries.

They were educated in the brewing process from both the past and modern eras on the brewery tour. Visitors also sampled and tasted different types of traditional Korean wine.

Following the wine testing, Soldiers received a meal of gal-bi, or Korean barbeque, and checked in at the Adonis Hotel in Pucheon. The hotel has a restaurant, and more importantly for the Soldiers, a karaoke room.

Day two began with breakfast at the hotel, and then the Soldiers were off to the Samsung Electronics factory in Suwon. The facility, which is also the head office for the corporation, was founded in 1969. At that time, the company only had 36 employees.

Now, there are over 130,000 employees. Soldiers were able to go on a walking tour of the facility, including the display gallery. The

gallery is home to all of Samsung's latest electronics, from mobile phones and computers, to televisions and refrigerators. Soldiers also viewed the Samsung museum, which holds examples of electronics from the company's past.

After visiting the Samsung facility, Soldiers headed to the Korean Folk Village in Yongin. The village was opened in 1974 as an open-air museum displaying Korean folk culture and traditions. Soldiers were able to view traditional craft-making such as pottery and basket weaving.

The traditional customs prevalent during the Joseon dynasty have been maintained at the folk village unchanged.

The last stop on the tour was the Icheon Ceramic Village. Soldiers were able to witness traditional Korean pottery-making techniques in the village. They also made their own pottery and decorated it with ink. The pottery was then fired in the kiln before it was mailed back to the Soldiers. The village has over 40 traditional wood-burning kilns in operation used to prepare the ceramic wares.

The two-day tour ended with a dinner in Uijeongbu. Soldiers who went on the tour saw the Gyeonggi province in a whole new light. The tour allowed them to view a cultural side of Korea they may have otherwise not seen.



Pvt. Phillip Palek, of HQ, 2ID, is shown how to shape a clay pot by an employee at the Icheon Ceramic Village while on the Korean Cultural and Industrial tour.

Two cultures, one mind, one hiking trip

By **Pfc. Antuan Rofo**
Staff Writer

Imagine having a bird's-eye view of the entire world and seeing miles and miles of tall buildings, houses, businesses, restaurants, mountains, and even a view of home.

As part of the Good Neighbor Program, 38 participants, 18 U.S. and ROK Soldiers and 20 Daejin University students participated in the One-Mind Hiking Trip on Sa-Pae Mountain.

"The mission for today was to have American Soldiers get together with Korean civilians and inter-

mingle and exchange culture, ideas, and just talk about life and become friends," said Staff Sgt. Jerald Johnson, G-9 Operations Headquarters and Headquarters Company 2nd Infantry Division.

The hikers spent six hours together from start to finish. The Soldiers started out the day with a visit to the Gyeonggi Province governor's building, where they were greeted with backpacks with the phrase "One-Mind Hiking Trip" embroidered on the back. Inside the backpacks there was water, an apple, chocolate, candy bars, and even a cucumber.

According to Staff Sgt.

Daniel Carnaghi of the 2ID band, eating a cucumber while hiking is a Korean tradition that is believed to help replenish you.

The hike started after the group left the governor's building and rode a bus to the base of the mountain, located between the cities of Uijeongbu and Yangju. Everyone started at the same time and mingled as they made their way up the side of Sa-Pae Mountain.

The students asked many questions to the Soldiers about life in the United States Army and life in the U.S. compared to Korea. Participants in the trip walked over many

hills, large and small rocks, over bridges and around trees to get to the top.

Once at the top they pulled themselves up to the apex of the mountain using a rope that was tied to a tree.

At the top of the mountain, the hikers took pictures of their accomplishment as a group and began making their descent to the bottom to reload the busses.

After a 10-minute bus ride, the hikers were taken to Keum-Kang-Sum, a restaurant, where they were served Galbi, an authentic Korean dish made of beef.

The galbi and mushrooms were both cooked on

the small grill built in to the table. White rice, green salad, kimchi, soup, potato salad and grilled mushrooms were also served.

On the trip back to Camp Red Cloud, the students and Soldiers said their final good-byes

as the bus came to a halt to drop the students off at the Uijeongbu subway station so that they could return home.

"The mission was very successful. The Soldiers and students became one mind," said Johnson.

"This trip has made me grow as a person. It was a really good experience," said Spc. Jochimin Rosario," 2ID band.

Travel with KTX: Korea Train Express

By Cpl. Lee, Yoon Joo
Staff Writer

Getting the chance to experience exotic places and events of a totally different culture is certainly a privilege for Soldiers stationed in Korea.

Although there are many sites to see near the bases, the more authentic side of Korea exists outside the city. It is often a burden to visit places a long distance away, especially when there is only one weekend to enjoy. However, there is a solution that will greatly alleviate this problem. It is KTX, the Korea Train Express.

KTX, a vehicle that is 388 meters in length and weighs 771.2 tons, seats 935 people. This express train can reach the speed of 187.5 miles per hour, the maximum speed, in 6 minutes and 8 seconds. KTX is generally defined as train that operates at, or over, speeds of 125 mile per hour.

The Shinkansen train from Japan was the first train in the world to reach 131 miles per hour in 1964. Since then, express trains have developed rapidly and, with the historical opening of the express railway in April 2004, Korea entered into the super high-speed train era, following the lead of France, Japan, Germany and Spain.

KTX greatly reduces the traveling hours by enabling the travelers to reach anywhere in the country within three hours.

It usually took more than five hours from Seoul to Busan (the city located at the southern-most part of Korea) with buses and trains, but, by KTX, it takes less than three hours.

There are two main express railways spreading around peninsula, the Gyeongbu Line and the Honam Line. The Gyeongbu Line starts from Seoul, stops and passes by Gwangmyeong, Cheonan, West Daejeon, Gwangju and ends at Mokpo, located at the southwest end of Korea.



Courtesy photo

Honam Line heads toward the southeast end of peninsula, starting from Seoul, passing Daejeon and East Daegu, and stops at Busan.

The ticket prices vary from 7,000 to 45,000 won, depending on the final destination. The further the passenger travels, the higher the price goes. (See fare chart.)

To utilize KTX, it is always safer to make reservations beforehand because the tickets sell out fast, especially on Korean national holidays.

The reservations can be made conveniently at ticket counters in every KTX station, at travel agencies, automatic ticketing machines located at the station or via the Internet website. In order to make reservations through the Internet, go to 'http://ktx.korail.go.kr/eng/index.html,' click on the 'Timetable Search' button, and click on 'Inquiry/Reservation' button, which will lead you to the reservation webpage. From there, follow the instruction and the reservation will be made fast and easy. Canceling tickets can also be made on the same page.

Reservations and ticketing are possible two months prior to the departure of the corresponding train. When there is no available seat, the travelers can apply to the reservation waiting list through the website. Cancelled seats are automatically allocated to those on the waiting list.

For those travelers who find the price too expensive, do not be discouraged. There are discount systems for those whose wallets are thin. If the reservation is made one or two months prior to the traveling date, 20 percent of the normal fare is discounted for weekdays and 10 percent for weekends.

There is also a group passenger discount available which each passenger gets 10 percent off. A group needs to be consisted of 10 people or more.

The high-speed transportation is set

up and ready to bring you anywhere around the country in three hours. It is time you get yourself a sightseeing guidebook on Korea, sit at your desk and study which route you will like the most. The winter is coming and the

spring is going to follow. What are you waiting for? Pack your backpack and get out there. See the beautiful scenery the Korean way with the high-speed rail taking you all around the peninsula.

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Gyeongbu Line

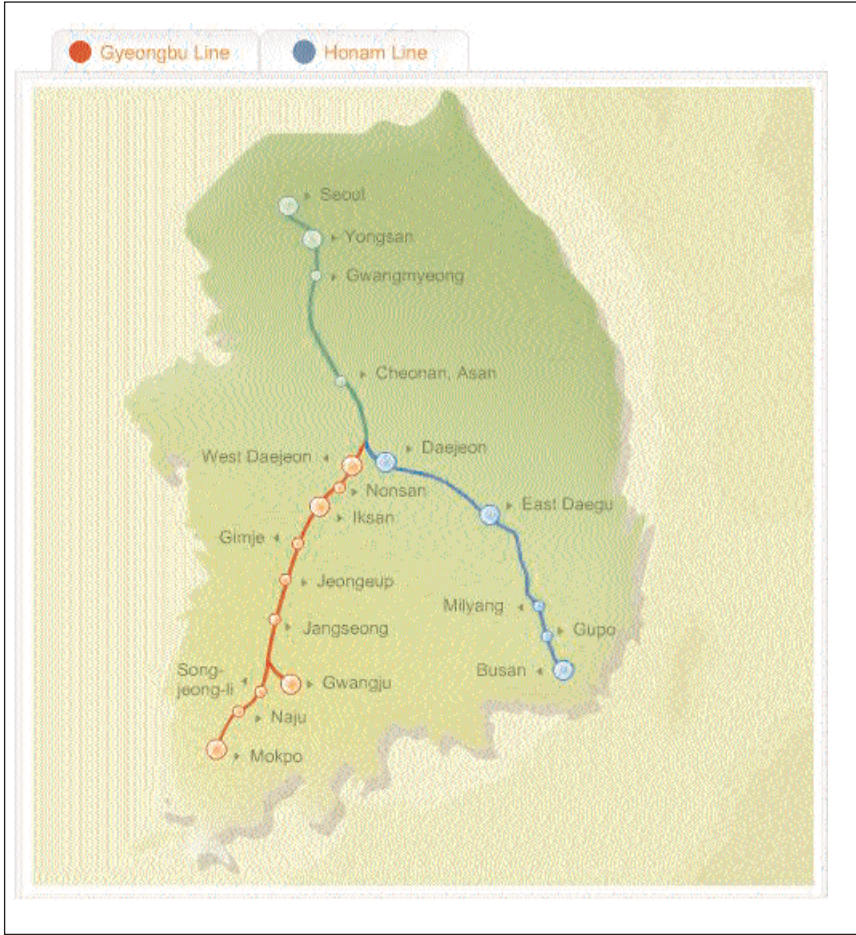
Fares between Stations (Unit: won)

Seoul	7,000	11,400	19,500	34,900	39,700	43,400	44,800
Gwangmyeong		9,500	17,300	32,800	37,700	41,500	42,700
Cheonan Asan			7,900	23,300	27,800	30,600	31,400
Daejeon				15,400	19,200	22,700	24,000
East Daegu					7,000	8,600	10,100
Miryang						7,000	7,000
Gupo							7,000
Busan							

Honam Line

Fares between Stations (Unit: won)

Yongsan	19,300	22,900	25,500	26,900	28,300	31,100	33,100	34,000	38,000	33,300
Gwangmyeong	17,400	21,500	24,400	25,700	27,300	28,800	31,100	32,100	35,900	32,000
Cheonan Asan	8,000	11,000	13,500	14,900	17,200	20,100	21,900	23,300	27,700	23,000
West Daejeon		7,000	7,100	8,700	11,000	13,900	15,800	17,100	21,600	16,800
Nonsan			7,000	7,000	7,000	9,900	11,800	13,200	17,600	12,800
Iksan				7,000	7,000	7,000	8,500	10,000	14,400	9,600
Gimje					7,000	7,000	7,000	8,400	12,800	8,100
Jeongeup						7,000	7,000	7,000	10,600	7,000
Jangseong							7,000	7,000	7,800	7,000
Songjeong-ri								7,000	7,000	-
Naju									7,000	-
Mokpo										-
Gwangju										-



SOFTBALL DIPLOMACY

35TH ADA plays local women's team

Story and photo by
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35th ADA Public Affairs Officer

OSAN, AIR BASE – It was not the traditional Fall Classic, but a recent softball game at Osan Air Base was a real victory for all those who participated. The Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade played the Songtan Jisan Village Women's Softball Team in a "friendship game" which was followed by a get-together which served both Korean and American style barbecue.

"We really wanted to play an American team from the base not only for the athletic challenge of playing a men's team, but also to make friends and welcome them to the community," said Okran Kim, 1st Baseman.

"I really think it's great to use sport to improve relations," said Jeon Gioh, 3rd baseman. "I think because of language and cultural differences, there is often misunderstanding between Koreans and Americans. This type of event really helps remove a lot of misunderstanding and brings people closer together."

In the spirit of friendship, both teams merged after the 5th inning so that each team consisted of both Korean and American players. "This event really exceeded our expectations," said Capt. Josh Fishman, HHB commander, 35th ADA BDE.



First Sgt. James Herlihy, HHB, 35th ADA BDE, sends one to the cheap seats.

"Everyone made new friends, the game was competitive, the barbecue was great and players from both sides can honestly claim victory."

The Songtan team captain, Jung Soon Moon con-

cluded, "I used to think that it would be hard to approach American Soldiers, but now I realize they are good neighbors. I hope we have more opportunities like this and maintain our friendship."

Big names equal big points

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LeBron James, Kevin Garnett, Kobe Bryant, Shawn Marion and Dwayne Wade are some of the biggest young names in professional basketball. Too bad all of these players can't be all on the same team or else the dynasty's of past would still be dominating to this day.

Now there is a way to potentially get all of your favorite superstars on the same team to compete against other stars of the game.

Fantasy basketball is not a game that is physically played like a normal video game. Rather, it is a game of statistics.

After registering to a fantasy league, there is a fantasy draft. All of the owners in the league draft the eligible players of the real NBA to become a part of their team. There are 15 players per team, five starters and 10 back-up players.

Of the five starters, there must be a point guard, shooting guard, a center, a small forward and a power forward. The other players on the bench will fill in for the starters if they are not playing in any given game, but the owner must bench the player that will miss a game and replace him with another player of the same position.

In choosing draft picks there are a lot of things to consider. An owner's best chance of getting the most points out of his draft picks would be for him to research all of the potential players before they are chosen. Some things to think about are: injury history, has this player been prone to injury or

recently coming off of a major injury.

Disciplinary problems, although this player will produce points will he be benched or suspended for incidents on or off the basketball court. Morale, how will this player's attitude and presence affect the rest of the team's ability because as a team owner a certain player might have more than one player starting for his team.

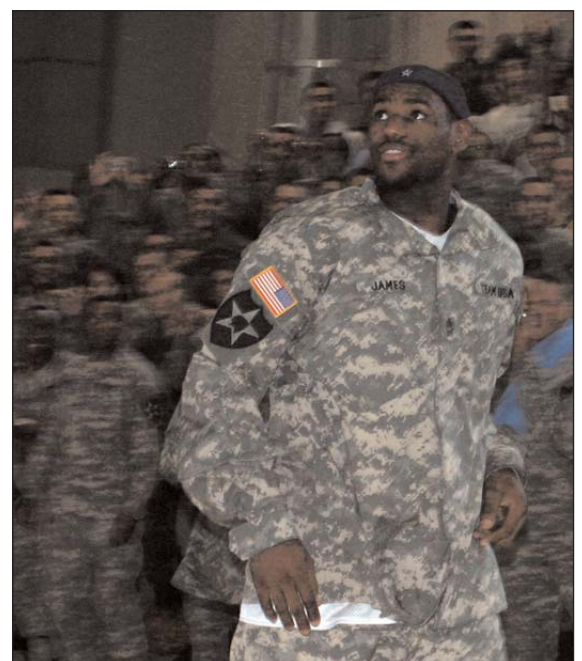
Choosing the starters for the week is the most complex and most important part of fantasy basketball. Of the 15 people that are on a team, the player that will produce the most points, steals, assists, three pointer field goals, free-throws and blocks against a weaker opponent should be the starter for a game.

In fantasy basketball, unlike football, there are several games played by a player in a week. Some players may only play two games in a week, while others might only play two, it all depends on the teams schedule.

You have to check and recheck your rosters to see who is going to give you the most points during a single game and at the end of the week the points are tallied to give a weekly score. Hopefully it's higher than your opponents.

Everything in fantasy sports revolves around points. The point system is broken down by the same system that the starting hopefuls will pull the most points out.

For each category, there will be a certain number of points that will be awarded. The point system is based on two things: the league administrator and the website that is chosen to host the fanta-



Master Sgt. Kanessa Trent

Members of Team U.S.A. are some of the most requested fantasy basketball players.

sy league.

Baseball, football and now basketball has become a fantasy sport. But unlike the normal sport games, there's no sweating, tapping keys or throwing the controller.

It's studying and making the correct decisions on personnel that will mentally make you work. So, stop fantasizing and start analyzing who's going to start for the best fantasy team.