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Congress, nation designates military appreciation month

Story by Gene Harper
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Both chambers of the U.S. Congress have adopted a resolution calling for Americans to recognize and honor U.S. servicemembers during May's National Military Appreciation Month.

Virginia Rep. Tom Davis, along with 16 co-sponsors, introduced Concurrent Resolution No. 328 in the House in November. The Senate agreed to it without amendment and by unanimous consent April 26.

The resolution states that the House, with the Senate concurring, "supports the goals and objectives of a National Military Appreciation Month."

It also "urges the president to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States, localities, organizations and media to annually observe (the month) with

appropriate ceremonies and activities."

Finally, the resolution urges the White House Commission on Remembrance to "work to support the goals and objectives" of the month. The Senate first passed a resolution in 1999 designating National Military Appreciation Month.

That declaration summoned U.S. citizens to observe the month "in a symbol of unity, ... to honor the current and former members of the armed forces, including those who have died in the pursuit of freedom and peace."

Traditionally, May has focused on the military in many ways. For example, Public Service Recognition Week, celebrated the first full Monday through Sunday in May since 1985, recognizes the roles of public servants, including the military, at local, state, regional and federal levels.

As a part of the week, communities across America showcase military equipment and servicemembers from U.S. installations.

The largest event takes place on Washington's

National Mall, where more than 100 federal agencies, including the military services, put their activities, people and equipment on public display.

This year's mall event was May 6 to 9. Armed Forces Day, created in 1949, is an annual event held on the third Saturday in May, with activities at U.S. military bases worldwide. This year's celebration is Saturday.

The month culminates with Memorial Day, a federal holiday on the last Monday in May.

The day, dating from the Civil War era, traditionally has marked recognition of those who have died in service to the nation.

Each year on Memorial Day, the White House Commission on Remembrance promotes one minute of silence at 3 p.m. local time to honor the military's fallen comrades and to pay tribute to the sacrifices by the nation's servicemembers and veterans.

Camp Hialeah teen earns Asia youth annual honors

Story by Galen Putnam
Area IV Public Affairs Office

CAMP HIALEAH — A Camp Hialeah teen has been named the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Youth of the Year for Korea and Asia.

Tassia Araujo-Roper, a senior at Pusan American School, is heading to the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Pacific Regional Youth of the Year competition in July at Anaheim, Calif. The winner will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

"It's exciting and very well deserved," said Rachel Martinovich, a program assistant with Camp Hialeah's Child and Youth Services. "She participates in almost all of the programs we have here."

Araujo-Roper's extra curricular activities could keep an entire classroom of students busy. She is involved cross-country, Model United Nations, Drama Club, Jazz Choir, student council, cheerleading and more. She also contributes her time to a number of organizations including the Keystone Club, 4-H, Army Teen Panel, Youth Leadership Forum, and others.

In her three years at Camp Hialeah,

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Ready, aim, fire



PHOTO BY DAVID McNALLY

Kang Yong-sok, a Camp Garry Owen security guard (left), prepares to fire his M-9 pistol April 23 with assistance from Sgt. Brannon Wagner, Company B, 302nd Forward Support Battalion, at Texas Range. Turn to Page 5 for more photos and the complete story.

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MP Blotter

The following entries were excerpted from the past several week's military police blotters. These entries may be incomplete and do not determine the guilt or innocence of any person.

■ A U.S. servicemember was observed in a Korean bar during curfew hours. When approached by military police, he disobeyed several lawful orders and began acting in a disorderly manner. While attempting to apprehend the servicemember, the MPs located another U.S. servicemember hiding in the bar, who was also intoxicated and underage. Both individuals were apprehended and transported to the local Provost Marshal Office where they were processed and then transported for a command-directed legal breath alcohol test. Investigation continues by Military Police Investigations.

■ An investigation revealed that a crane, operated by a contract Korean employee, was attempting to lift and move a large container on a U.S. installation. While attempting to lift the object over an electronic wire, the operator lost control of the crane due to the weight of the container, causing the crane to become unbalanced. The crane then lifted off its out-riggers, severely tilting the vehicle, allowing the boom to strike the electric lines and pole, which then fell on top of the container, forcing both crane and container to the ground. The local power was off for about one hour.

■ An investigation revealed that a U.S. servicemember took three Sony Playstation video games from an Army and Air Force Exchange Service store, placed them into his bag, and left the facility without rendering proper payment. The Soldier was apprehended and transported to the local Provost Marshal Office where he was advised of his legal rights, which he waived. He rendered a written sworn statement admitting to the offense and released to his unit.

Court-Martial

United States v. Todd

On May 4, a military judge sitting as a special court-martial, tried a Soldier from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment, 17th Aviation Brigade. Pursuant to his guilty plea, the military judge found Pvt. Joshua R. Todd guilty of stealing a laptop computer valued at about \$2,600. The military judge sentenced the Soldier to 10 months in confinement, reduction to E-1 and a Bad Conduct Discharge. The case must now go to the convening authority for review and action. The convening authority can never increase the punishment adjudged by the court. Before taking action, the convening authority receives legal advice, reviews the case and considers matters submitted by the accused and his counsel. Neither the findings nor the sentence is final until the convening authority takes action.

Commentary

Soldier sounds off about commentary

I am writing to you in reference to your new vehicle policy commentary written in the April 30 edition of the Morning Calm.

Specifically, I want to focus on the sentence you wrote which states "Go ahead and laugh all you higher ranking people."

The image you want to project in your commentary about senior Army leaders is ignorant, irresponsible and disrespectful. Here's why.

You display your ignorance in the article because I have actively supported a grandfather clause for those Soldiers who came to Korea with a different understanding of the vehicle policy so they would not lose money on their automobile investment.

Additionally, I and many other senior-enlisted Soldiers and officers actively support junior-enlisted and junior noncommissioned officer issues that you may not even be aware of.

The outstanding quality of life you currently enjoy seems to make you ignorant to all the efforts senior leaders, both past and present, have made to improve your standard of living. My definition of the word outstanding in the previous sentence is in comparison to what you currently enjoy and how it contrasts to the quality of life others have endured here in Korea long before you arrived on the peninsula and to those currently serving in other less desirable locations around the world. If you haven't already, perhaps you should spend a tour outside the coziness of a public affairs office and go on a tour with an infantry division.

Your commentary is irresponsible because your article has the potential to divide and not unite our military here in Korea. Your assumption and generalization about others "laughing" is not true.

Additionally, your comment stereotypes senior

leaders as being removed and generally unaware of enlisted issues. Keep in mind, with very few exceptions, all Soldiers begin their careers as O-1s or E-1s and so you are not as isolated in your concerns as you may think.

Your commentary is clearly disrespectful to senior-ranking military officials and does not fall within proper military protocol.

This is another reason why you probably need to leave your public affairs office, so you can see how the rest of the military corresponds and interacts with seniors. You also need to consider that rank has its privileges and this is the way the military operates.

Use your commentary forum in a constructive and responsible manner. If you believe my comments about your article are harsh, you would be mortified to hear what my colleagues in Warrior Country are saying about you and what you wrote.

Finally, for those who think that life in Korea can not be appreciated without a car, think again. Taxis and trains are plentiful in Korea and they can take you directly where you want to go with very little hassle. Therefore, go out, appreciate and be thankful for all that Korea has to offer.

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20th Area Support Group

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Morning Calm Weekly Soundoff:

What are some advantages to being stationed overseas?



"Chances to meet new people." — Cpl. Andrew Philpot, Company D, 702nd Maintenance Support Battalion, Camp Casey



"You can get the best training and opportunities to travel." — Maj. Omuso George, 176th Finance Command, Yongsan



"It's a good military experience." — Staff Sgt. Eric Mintz, 50th Engineer Company, Camp LaGuardia



"You get to experience a different culture." — Spc. Chris Herrera, 305th Quartermaster Company, Yongsan

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Support and Defend

NEWS & NOTES

175th Finance Command to have limited services

The 175th Finance Command will have limited services on May 25 and 26 because of a change of command ceremony on May 26.

All servicing finance offices will remain open with limited personnel. The In and Out Processing Sections of the 176th and 177th Finance Battalions will remain open for regular business.

Canine Competition

The 8th Military Police Brigade is hosting the U.S. Forces Korea canine competition 2004 at Yongsong Monday - Wednesday. The competition will feature handlers from the U.S. Army, U.S. Air Force, Republic of Korea Army, Korean National Police and Korean Customs. The 8th MP brigade invites the public out to watch as these dogs take a "bite" out of the competition.

Monday Building 1525, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Tuesday Softball field 5 (near Collier Field House), 7 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesday Building 1525, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Band Seeks Vocalists

The 8th United States Army Band is looking for vocalists.

Performance areas include:

- High profile command social events
- Classical or popular music with the Concert Band
- Lead vocals in the Pop, Rock and Country Show Band
- Lead vocals while fronting the Jazz Ensemble

Qualifications

Soldiers interested must be:

- Private first class through sergeant first class
- Not be a bonus military occupational speciality recipient
- Have six or more months remaining in Korea or be willing to extend
- Meet height and weight standards
- No adverse administrative or Uniform Code of Military Justice actions pending.

For more information or to apply, call Sgt. Maj. David Doyon at 725-7135 or e-mail doyon@usfk.korea.army.mil

Stores to be Closed

Yongsong Main Store and Four Seasons Store will be closed May 18 for an organizational day.

Field Sanitation Team training courses

The 38th Medical Detachment provides a 40-hour field sanitation training course in Areas I and II every other month. The maximum enrollment per company or unit is two. Seating is limited. Reserve seats in advance by providing a memorandum with name, rank, date expected return from overseas, Social Security Number and Military Occupational Speciality of attending personnel to the 38th Medical Detachment, Unit 15684, APO AP 96205-5684. Requests may be faxed to 724-4768 no later than two weeks before the start of each course.

Attending personnel should have more than six months time remaining in country upon completion of the course. Personnel should bring a one-quart canteen (with cup) and a copy of FM 4-25.12, Field Sanitation Team Training, to class. The point of contact is Sgt. Charles Morris at 724-6276 or Charles.Morris@kor.amedd.army.mil.

The course dates are:

Camp Red Cloud: June 21-25 and August 2-6

Yongsong: July 12-16

Combined Arms and Services Staff School merges with Officer Advanced Course

8th Personnel Command

YONGSAN — The Secretary of the Army has approved the Army's plan to terminate the Combined Arms and Services Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. The CAS3 is a five-week course taken after the Officer Advanced Courses.

The responsibility for teaching staff officer skills will be transferred to the OAC branch proponent schools. The Captains Education System is under review and will change as part of the Army's ongoing effort to transform to support the future force. The Army must also change officer education to adjust to the demands of the contemporary operating environment. Preliminary review information indicates that the new captains OES will place emphasis on assignment-tailored training focusing on specific primary staff positions and realistic scenario-driven command training.

The original OES transformation concept required replacing CAS3 in fiscal 2005 with the Combined Arms Staff Course. In October 2003, the Army Chief of Staff directed further review of the captains OES concept to include CASC. Existing programs of instructions for OAC and CAS3 were part of this review, and findings resulted in a decision to terminate CAS3. The review results recommended absorbing the CAS3 POI into the existing OAC POI and advanced distributed learning. In the interim period, branch proponents will continue to update task analysis of all company commanders and staff officers position to validate and improve the quality of all present officer career courses.

In the consolidation concept, the essential learning that occurs at CAS3 will continue; however, redundancy will be eliminated. The concept further requires a CAS exercise to culminate the branch school instruction and retain the critical branch mix aspects of CAS3. The Army's intent is to end resident CAS3 instruction at Fort Leavenworth with the graduation of class 04-4 Wednesday.

The ongoing reserve component CAS3 classes across the United States and overseas, as well as the advanced distributed learning classes will continue. Reserve officers not projected for

a full resident branch proponent OAC will continue to attend RC CAS3. U.S. Army Reserve will continue to teach CAS3 for the foreseeable future. No specific changes to reserve component CAS3 classes are planned at this time, but potential changes are being considered for near term implementation. The Army training and doctrine command is working with the Army National Guard and Office of the Chief of Army Reserve to develop alternatives to existing reserve component OAC and CAS3 POIS.

To be eligible for attendance at any course that produces a military education level code 4, officers must complete a branch proponent CCC or RC CCC, Phase I and II, OAC and CAS3. Appropriate changes will be annotated in Army Regulation 350-1, Army Training and Education, and Department of the Army Pamphlet 600-3,

Commissioned Officer Development and Career Management. Options to branch proponent CAS3 must also be developed for those special branch officers who have traditionally attended CAS3.

The future captains OES concept will continue to have a branch and combined arms focus, officer professional military education policy and retain training on company command and staff competencies. Integral to this design are digital skills training, knowledge-and-application-based instruction. Captain OESs will leverage learning technologies, be less than 20 weeks in length and be linked to the next duty assignment. The new design will support the Force Stabilization Initiative, incorporate Warrior Ethos, and focus toward a joint expeditionary mindset.

The future captains OES concept will support an army at war, standardize common core and combined arms training across active and reserve components, and facilitate the integration of educational systems across the Army. The concept can put commanders back in the driver's seat for junior officer professional development, continue to develop leaders with the right mix of operational assignments and training, and provide educational opportunities that meet the current and future requirements of the Army and joint forces, Personnel officials said.

Points of contact in Department of the Army Management Office - Training are Col. Juan Claudio, DSN 224-9853, Charles Ware, DSN 224-9808, and Mary Ellen McCrillis, 224-9706. The Human Resources Command point of contact is Lt. Col. Ricardo Rivera at 703-325-3150.

175th takes finance to the Soldier

175th Finance Command

YONGSAN — Korea is the location where state of the art financial services advancements are practiced to provide maximum support to Soldiers.

The 175th Finance Command's intent is to make finance and other advancements more reachable. These changes are manifested in centralization of travel, paper check conversion (e-checks), automated teller machines for leave and earnings statements, automated in-processing of new arrivals, interactive and enhanced options on the finance command's Web site, the 725-Cash hotline, split disbursement for government travel card holders, automatic rental collection, cost of living allowance and unit finance representatives. All fashioned to provide ease and availability to the Soldiers.

Technological advancement is essential to finance. But nothing is more beneficial to Soldiers than having a unit finance representative ready to assist them.

The 175th Finance Command's customer-service policy stipulates the

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Why Korea is the Duty Assignment of Choice



PHOTO BY GALEN PUTNAM

Contract workers replace the roof of the Evergreen Community Club on Camp Walker May 7. The project started April 12 and is scheduled to be completed by May 20, according to the Area IV Directorate of Public Works. The Evergreen Community Club is one of the busiest facilities on Camp Walker.

Araujo-Roper

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Araujo-Roper has contributed more than 500 volunteer hours in a variety of activities such as tutoring, delivering cookies to Soldiers serving on the Demilitarized Zone, cleaning the post movie theater, which relies on an all-volunteer staff, participating in a Jeju Island beach clean up, helping to develop the Camp Hialeah Child and Youth Services' Web page and continue to update it, coordinate and assist with special events at a Korean orphanage for disabled children, and more.

"My mom has always done this kind of stuff and I just kind of got hooked on it," Araujo-Roper said. "It might sound corny but volunteering makes you feel good."

Araujo-Roper's road to being named the Boys and Girls Clubs of America Asia Youth of the Year started with her volunteer efforts.

She was named the Camp Hialeah Child and Youth Services Teen Youth of the Month in February 2004 for compiling the most volunteer hours in the month. She was later selected as the fourth quarter, 2004, Camp Hialeah Youth Volunteer, then the 2004 Youth Volunteer of the Year.

After submitting an elaborate application package for the Youth of the Year competition, Araujo-Roper waited.

She was excited when she learned she had been selected as the Korea-wide Youth of the Year but was stunned when she got the word about the Asiawide honors.

"I was kind of in shock. I couldn't

believe it went this far," Araujo-Roper said. "I thought it was great being the (youth) volunteer of the year for the installation but this is really something."

Regional winners advance to the national finals in Washington, D.C., where they will compete for a \$10,000 scholarship and be installed as the Boys and Girls Clubs of America National Youth of the Year in the Oval Office by President George W. Bush.

"I think she will do fine," said Martinovich, who will accompany Araujo-Roper to the regional competition in California. They will see her personality right off the bat."

"It is nice to see her hard work pay off. She has been volunteering since she was five years old," said Tassia's mom, Truda Araujo-Roper, who is the child and youth program coordinator for Camp Hialeah Child and Youth Services. "We started our children volunteering when they were very young and now they do it on their own. They have learned good values from their community service and we are proud of what they have done."

Tassia's brother, Caio Araujo-Roper, a seventh-grader at Pusan American School, was named the Camp Hialeah Youth Volunteer of the Year in 2003.

"A lot of kids (disrespect volunteering) before it they try it," Tassia said. "But it can be a lot of fun."

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Finance

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assignment of a finance customer service representative for each supported battalion and separate company. This system gives the unit finance representative ownership of their assigned units. The finance representative is to meet and coordinate with supported units as frequently as possible.

The finance representatives have the responsibility to liaise with the unit personnel service noncommissioned officers on financial issues. They are also the first line of contact by commanders and personnel service NCOs for information during major training events that preclude Soldiers from coming to resolve their pay problems. Contact unit finance representatives and plan for a finance support team to conduct military pay actions during the next field exercise.

Commanders and sergeants major planning to conduct professional development sessions on Soldier financial matters or on finance inquiries and unit reporting should contact respective finance representatives for assistance.

The finance command encourages units to include finance

representatives as part of the command's advisory team and take advantage of this service. Units may contact servicing finance officers to schedule visits and to obtain their unit's finance representative's name and phone number.

The 175th Finance Command's goal is to make finance more reachable. Programs the finance command is implementing are comprehensive and will include improving and standardizing procedures and streamlining customer service by moving services closer to customers.

The aim is not only to raise the technical competence and general financial awareness of civilian and military customers, but to play an integral role in supported units by aiding the command teams and personnel service centers in financial matters.

The 175th Finance Command want to assist customers with understanding their pay and in some cases input their own changes through improved Web sites.

Customers of the 175th Finance Command are encouraged to visit the command's Web site at <http://175FINCOM.korea.army.mil>.

Korean guards target excellence

Story, photos by David McNally
Area I Public Affairs Office

TEXAS RANGE — Two hundred twenty-five Korean security guards from the Western Corridor attempted to gain weapons certification April 22-23.

“This is a requirement in the Korean security guard contract to conduct weapons qualification and familiarization training for the guards who perform security on all of our camps,” said Victor Lowe, director of plans, training, mobilization and security for U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey.

Lowe said security guards cannot be armed unless they go through some sort of weapons certification and understand the rules of engagement.

There are 575 Korean security guards at the Camp Casey Enclave and the Western Corridor. Many of the guards have worked at the camps for 15 to 20 years, and in some cases more than 30

years; however, some guards were hired this year. Experience with weapons varied from guards with prior military service to young guards without previous military experience.

When the security contract changed hands last year, female guards made a foray into a previously male-dominated career field. For the first time ever, 10 female Korean security guards qualified with the 9 mm pistol.

“I have a lot of confidence in the guards,” said Park Chang-heon, commander for all Area I security guards. “I don’t think it will be difficult for them.”

Lowe said two days of classroom training covered everything to prepare the guards to qualify: handling, loading, sighting, breathing and engaging the target with the weapon.

The guards fired pistols for qualification and shotguns for familiarization. Perimeter guards carry

shotguns, while access control point guards are armed with 9 mm pistols.

To qualify with a 9 mm pistol, the guards used the U.S. Army standard of 24 out of 40 hits on target with a minimum of 80 points earned.

The garrison has a small staff for a project like this, so the 2nd Infantry Division came on board with the needed experts. Lowe said they received military police support as well as Soldiers from other units in the enclave.

“When you’re talking weapons qualification, you need experts,” Lowe said. “For the shotgun and 9 mm, that’s a package for the military police, so they’re the subject matter experts for us.”

Lowe said the weapons familiarization and qualification is something which needed attention.

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Kang Yong-sok fires his pistol at the target. He scored 159 to qualify as a sharpshooter.



A guard clears his 9 mm pistol. All access control point guards qualify with this weapon.



Pvt. Jared Steen (left), tasked with range duty, issues ammunition to Korean security guards April 23.



Korean security guards listen to a weapons briefing by a U.S. Army instructor before firing their 9 mm pistols at Texas Range.



Han Chong-ho, a Korean security guard (left) fires a shotgun as Staff Sgt. Robert Martzall, Company B, 302nd Forward Support Battalion, assists. Han works at Warrior Base in the Western Corridor.

NEWS & NOTES

Newcomers Orientation

The Camp Casey Army Community Service will hold its monthly newcomers orientation 8 a.m. May 25 in the ACS classroom. Call 730-3107 or 730-3143 to reserve a seat or for more information.

Memorial Day Beach Blast

Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers will host a Memorial Day weekend beach blast at Song-jung Beach near Busan May 28 - 31. There will be a bodybuilding contest, a karaoke contest, beach games such as volleyball and flying disc football, and a beach barbecue. Free billeting will be provided in an open-bay barracks on base, but Soldiers may rent hotel rooms at their own expense. Sign up at local community activities centers, or call 732-6896 for more information.

English as a Second Language

The Camp Page Army Community Service is holding English as a Second Language classes 6 p.m. every Wednesday and Friday in the ACS classroom. Call 721-5420 or 721-5233 for more information.

Asian-Pacific Celebration

The Camp Casey USO will hold an Asian-Pacific celebration Saturday at the USO building 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be free Asian-Pacific food samples, traditional songs and dancing, and games with prizes.

Camp Red Cloud Bowling Center

The Camp Red Cloud Bowling Center will be open for breakfast 8:30 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays beginning June 5.

Memorial Day Pool Party

The Camp Stanley Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers, in conjunction with the Defense Commissary Agency, will host a pool party and commissary tour 1 - 7 p.m. May 30. There will be drawings for merchandise prizes and shopping sprees at the commissary, and a swimwear contest, swim races and a dance contest at the swimming pool. The BOSS council and Reggie's will sell barbecue food and beverages.

Kangwon Land Resort Trip

The Camp Casey USO is taking a trip to Kangwon Land Resort May 22. The trip will cost \$26 for transportation only, with the bus departing 7:30 a.m. and returning 10 p.m. Call the Camp Casey USO at 730-4813 or 730-3812 for more information.

Meet the CPOC

Civilian Personnel Operations Center staff members will be available to answer personnel questions Wednesday at the Camp Casey Garrison Conference Room North and at the Camp Red Cloud Education Center 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Questions concerning classification issues, applicant qualifications, skills used to determine eligibility and other personnel issues will be addressed. Call 768-7400 for more information.

Soldiers revel in new barracks

Story, photo by David McNally

Area I Public Affairs Office

CAMPSTANLEY — Officials from the Installation Management Agency and the 2nd Infantry Division unveiled a new set of barracks for Camp Stanley Soldiers in a ceremony May 5.

"This building really has been long in coming," said Col. Ross Ridge, Division Artillery commander for the 2nd Infantry Division. "We've seen it sitting at the corner and we've been waiting. I know the Soldiers have been eyeing this building for quite some time."

The new building, located across the street from the post exchange, has been under construction since November 2002. It is part of a \$15.2 million project to upgrade living facilities for Soldiers at this Warrior Country installation. While officials cut the ribbon at this barracks, construction workers continued to ready other facilities across the post.

The new Army and Air Force Exchange Service shopping center complex will open next month. In July, the Camp Stanley Community Activity Center will reopen after an extensive renovation. Plans are under way to move the education center into the old post exchange, and create a new Army

post office in the old education center. Work continues on other new barracks. Camp Stanley officials said life is about to get a lot better.

"I just extended here for a year," said Pfc. Gregory Reese, Battery C, 1st Battalion, 38th Field Artillery Regiment. "The changes here, that's what made me decide to stay. I love to see Camp Stanley coming up. It's becoming a decent place to live."

"You deserve it," Brig. Gen. John Macdonald, Director of Installation Management Agency-Korea, told the assembled Soldiers at the ribbon cutting ceremony. "You are in the best Army in the world, so you deserve this."

Macdonald said Camp Stanley had come a long way. He related how bad living conditions were when he first served there.

The new barracks will house 206 Soldiers from a variety of Camp Stanley units. Batteries B and C of the 1st Battalion, 38th Field Artillery Regiment, as well as elements of the 509th Personnel Services Battalion and 177th Finance Battalion, will call the new building home.

"It's a lot better than what we had," Reese said. "Before, we had a community shower room. These rooms have a bathroom shared between

rooms."

"Some of the current enlisted Soldier buildings are targeted for a future facelift into senior leader quarters," said William Kapaku, civilian executive assistant for U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Red Cloud. "This should help ease the inadequate housing of senior leaders on Camp Stanley."

Another barracks is scheduled for completion in December, officials said. The next new barracks will house Soldiers from the 602nd Aviation Support Battalion.

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The new Camp Stanley barracks feature laundry and exercise rooms, as well as a day room and game room.

Volunteers receive honors at luncheon

Story, photo by David McNally

Area I Public Affairs Office

CAMPSTANLEY — Volunteers from installations across Warrior Country gathered for a quarterly luncheon May 5. The best among the group were selected as volunteer and volunteer unit of the second quarter.

Representing Battery D, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, Spc. Abigail Lienau took top honors as the volunteer of the quarter.

"I just do all I can," Lienau said. "It's always good to come in and smile and make people's day."



Spc. Abigail Lienau, D Battery, 5th Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery Regiment, holds the plaque she received as volunteer of the quarter.

Lienau volunteers at the Camp Casey USO. She also volunteers as an English tutor at a Dongducheon elementary school. During the past quarter, she racked up 245 hours of volunteer service.

"Volunteering helps getting through a tour here," Lienau said, "especially when there's not much to do sometimes."

Lienau said she found a spirit of volunteerism in her unit, which motivated her to donate her time.

Lienau serves as an Army medic in her unit. She has been stationed in Korea for about a year; however, she just extended for six more months. She hopes her next volunteer action will earn her a pair of silver wings.

"I want to go to airborne school and Fort Bragg, N.C.," Lienau said. "I also want to get my paramedic or nursing degree."

Two units tied for the honor of volunteer of the unit for the second quarter: the Camp Casey Community Chapel and Battery B, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment.

"These Soldiers are truly involved in making sure the physical needs of children are met," said Joseph Lee, the Area I volunteer coordinator. "Not only were they involved in the local orphanages, both also at nursing homes."

Lee said the combined contributions of both units totaled 1,500 hours of volunteer service during the second quarter.

Margaret Wood, the wife of the commanding general of the 2nd Infantry Division, gave the keynote remarks at the volunteer luncheon.

"This is a community that is thriving," Wood told the volunteers, "because it possesses what is most important, and that's you."

Wood praised the volunteers for their selfless service.

"I believe you energize each other to this great level of achievement," Wood said. "I know you inspire us. You are the reason an assignment to Area I and the 2nd Infantry Division is truly an assignment of choice."

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Soldiers visit Demilitarized Zone

By Pfc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs Office

CAMP BONIFAS — Twenty Soldiers from Area I Headquarters and Headquarters Company joined 40 Koreans to visit the Demilitarized Zone at Panmunjom May 5.

The trip was sponsored and paid for by the local Korean chapter of People-to-People International, an organization dedicated to enhancing international understanding and friendship between nations.

The Camp Red Cloud garrison organized the trip in conjunction with PTP to let Soldiers and Korean civilians get together to learn about each other's culture, and to let both groups see the DMZ.

"The idea was to provide Soldier integration with the People-to-People program," said Spc. Wayne Whetzel, garrison trip coordinator. "The Soldiers got to mingle with some of the locals and let them know 'Hey, we're here (in your country), but we're good people.'"

Headquarters and Headquarters Company 1st Sgt. Douglas Smothers agreed.

"By going down there with the PTP, I think it's a good opportunity to let them know we are here as ambassadors," Smothers said. "We're honored to be the protectors of South Korea. It's also an opportunity for Soldiers to be a part of one of history's greatest things," he added. "The Korean and American Soldiers, working together as one, are representatives for peace."

The tour started at Infiltration Tunnel 3. It is one of the tunnels discovered in 1978 that was dug by North Korea into South Korea. At the tunnel, the Soldiers and civilians rode a shuttle 300 meters underground to reach the main passage, where they were allowed to get out and walk around. Signs hung in the tunnel pointed out features like the holes drilled to place dynamite, the coal the North Koreans smeared on the inside walls to make it look like a coal mine, and how the tunnel was built with a slight upward slope to let the groundwater drain into North Korea, keeping the passage from flooding as it was built.

Back at the surface, the Soldiers watched a movie about the tunnels and then looked around a museum dedicated



A Republic of Korea soldier stands guard in the Joint Security Area at Panmunjom.

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Pvt. Antquennette Fuller (left) and Spc. James Hubbard look at a display in the DMZ museum at Infiltration Tunnel 3.



The Bridge of No Return is the site of prisoner-of-war exchanges between North and South Korea at the end of the war. Once prisoners crossed over, they could not come back, hence the name "The Bridge of No Return." The U.S. Observation Post 4 (left) stands unmanned on the South Korean side, while North Korean Observation Post 3 keeps watch over the other end of the bridge.

Annual training teaches civilians wartime survival

Story, photo by Pfc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs Office

CAMP RED CLOUD — Headquarters and headquarters company, Area I personnel conducted critical task training for Area I emergency-essential and mission-essential civilians April 29 at the Camp Red Cloud

fitness center.

In the event of a noncombatant evacuation operation, when most civilian employees and family members would be evacuated from the area, EECs and MECs would remain in place to continue performing their missions, said Staff Sgt. Brent McGlothlin, EEC and MEC training

noncommissioned officer in charge.

Emergency-essential civilians are American government employees, while mission-essential civilians are Korean employees, McGlothlin said. These civilians hold positions considered essential to continuing the U.S. Army mission in emergency situations.

According to the training operations order, area commanders are responsible for providing annual training to ensure EECs and MECs can continue performing their assigned duties during a contingency operation or war.

"The purpose of this training is to provide the EECs and MECs with a basic understanding of certain survival skills they might be called upon to utilize in the event of a transition to hostilities," McGlothlin explained. "These skills include nuclear, biological

and chemical survival tasks; basic first aid; the code of conduct; the Geneva Convention; and rules of engagement."

"Today we conducted training on eight critical NBC tasks and four first aid tasks, reacting to a nuclear or chemical attack and providing first aid to nerve agent casualties," McGlothlin said. "These are skills they may need in the event chemical munitions are ever used in our area of operation."

Fifty-nine essential civilians attended the four-hour training session.

"There were four stations set up, and each instructor had three tasks to teach," McGlothlin explained. "We broke the civilians off into four equal groups and conducted a 'round robin,' so that at the end of an hour, each group had conducted four blocks of training. After a break, they went to each station again to

learn a different task."

Because a large portion of the class was Korean, each instructor was provided with a Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldier translator.

"The language barrier was a distractor, but we utilized our KATUSA Soldiers to translate the classes from English to Korean, so everybody understood everything that was taught," McGlothlin said.

"It's different teaching civilians who don't know a lot of the basics, as opposed to teaching Soldiers who learned all of this in basic training, so it was a challenge," he added. "But I think, overall, the training went very smoothly and was successful."

The EECs and MECs will attend another class in June to complete the rest of their annual training requirements.



Sgt. Im Jang-hyun (left) translates as Staff Sgt. Brent McGlothlin teaches a class on treating victims of nerve agent poisoning at the emergency-essential personnel training April 29 at the Camp Red Cloud fitness center.

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“At the Camp Casey Enclave, this hasn’t been done in a long time,” Lowe said. “I think we’ll probably have to do this quarterly.”

There were communication challenges, like making sure the guards understood the range commands, but Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army Soldiers aided the U.S. instructors.

When the day ended, 202 Korean security guards had qualified. The remaining 23 guards will need to return to the range.

“We want to get these guards out to the range to get them qualified and keep them qualified,” Lowe said. “I can tell they’re taking this seriously.”

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After the tunnel trip, the group headed to Observation Post Dora, which has a viewing deck overlooking the line of demarcation and North Korea. The Soldiers were excited about getting a glimpse of North Korea.

“On a clear day, you can see the North Korean flag on one side, and the South Korean flag on the other,” Whetzel explained. “It’s really neat.”

From OP Dora, the trip continued onto the actual DMZ tour, which started at Camp Bonifas with a briefing from their U.S. Army security escort. The group was advised how to conduct themselves on the tour, what they were allowed or forbidden to do and given a brief history of the U.S. Army presence in the Joint Security Area. They were then taken to Panmunjom, where all the peace talks are held. The Soldiers and civilians were allowed in the U.N. conference room, which spans the DMZ so half of it is North Korea and half is in South Korea. The group was allowed to stand on the North Korean side.

“It’s a really neat experience, to be able to go home and say ‘I was in North Korea,’” Whetzel said.

“It was a shock, actually,” said Pvt. April Johnigan, Headquarters and Headquarters Company unit mail

clerk. “To be there on the DMZ; and to see the North Koreans right there made my heart flutter a little bit.”

From the conference area, the group was driven past the spot of the infamous ax murder incident and the “Bridge of No Return,” the site of the last prisoner-of-war exchange. As the bus left the JSA, the group drove past “Propaganda Village,” a fake town built by the North Koreans that features a 600-pound North Korean flag and a propaganda-blasting speaker system.

Johnigan enjoyed the tour and encourages her fellow Soldiers to make the trip.

“It was very educational,” she said. “It made me realize why we’re here — to help South Korea maintain what’s theirs.”

“It’s important for Soldiers to go because it gives them a better understanding of why we’re here,” Whetzel said. “It gives them the opportunity to really get a feeling of how close we are to the enemy. It lets them see the North Korean soldiers face-to-face, and look right into communist North Korea. That’s intimidating for most Soldiers, and it broadens their view about what we’re doing in this country.”

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Childrens day not just for kids

PHOTO BY PFC. STEPHANIE PEARSON

Sgt. 1st Class Howard Williams, 2nd Infantry Division, is led to the inflatable castle set up at the Camp Red Cloud pavilion for Children’s Day May 5. The 2nd Infantry Division invited 100 local school children to the post. The children toured the division museum before heading over to the pavilion for lunch and two hours of playing with American and Korean Soldiers. Williams, who the children mistook for a professional wrestler, was a crowd favorite. “This is my first community relations event,” he said, “and I’m having a blast!”

YMC visits the House of Grace Orphanage



PHOTO BY SGT. MAJ. MIKE NOVGRADAC

Yongsan Motorcycle Club member Sgt. Hee-jung Loomis, a retention noncommissioned officer with U.S. Army Troop Command-Korea, helps an orphan drink during lunch at the House of Grace Orphanage located in Yangpyeong.

Story by Jerry Casey

Yongsan Motorcycle Club

YANGPYEONG — Four times each year the Yongsan Motorcycle Club takes to the road, visiting the House of Grace Orphanage; a private institution for physically- and mentally-challenged orphans.

On April 3, the YMC made its spring pilgrimage, departing the Main Post Townhouse with 30 bikers on 22 motorcycles, with three support vans loaded with donated goods. Donations included 75 20-pound bags of rice, medicinal supplies, disposable diapers, bubbles and other toys, and Easter candy.

Wayne Walk, Yongsan's commissary manager and YMC member, said he always supports the orphanage and donated more than 100 pounds of rice and other items.

For a second time, retired Sgt. Maj. Chris Vaia, nicknamed "The Balloon Man," dressed in his clown

suit and created animal balloons for all the children.

The YMC first learned of the orphanage from a 1999 Korean television news program, which reported the private orphanage operates only by the grace of donations. The YMC's last visit was in November 2003 and even then the club members donated more than 1,500 pounds of rice, along with money for wheelchairs for some of the more disadvantaged orphans.

The club's Road Captain, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Scott Steuerwald, legal administrator with Yongsan's Office of the Judge Advocate, led the two-hour ride to the House of Grace this year.

Though the trip began with motorcycles thundering through beautiful scenic hills and mountains, the thrill of the ride changed to compassion as the bikers arrived at the House of Grace Orphanage.

Upon arrival, 70 or more children and 35 orphanage support volunteers welcomed the motorcyclists as mentally and physically disabled children and adults



PHOTO BY SGT. MAJ. MIKE NOVGRADAC

Yongsan Motorcycle Club member, Warrant Officer 1 Coral Porch, property book officer with the 524th Military Intelligence Battalion, blows bubbles with two-and-a-half-year-old Hee-jun, an orphan at the Yangpyeong House of Grace orphanage. Porch has visited the orphanage four times in one year and has known Hee-jun since she was 18 months old.

flocked to the bikers.

The orphans had hugs for everyone, and the bikers tried to spend time with every resident.

Many orphans can't speak and many others are bedridden. The bikers visited the rooms of those who couldn't venture outside.

"It's hard to see disabled children and young adults who are abandoned as orphans," said Mike Bray, YMC vice president, "I hate to see the kids like this, but they're being well cared for by the orphanage staff and volunteers, and we enjoy spending time with them.

"It makes you realize how fortunate most of us are and how much we are thrilled to make the orphans happy during our visit," he added.

After the bikers dropped off their donated goods and spent four hours entertaining the orphans, YMC members revved up their engines and departed on a different scenic route back to Yongsan.

Roger Floyd, YMC president, said that besides supporting the House of Grace Orphanage with four visits each year, YMC supports numerous humanitarian projects and charities on and off the base, including Yongsan; Columbus Day Parade; Korean Association of Retired Persons; the HI-Seoul Festival this past week; and the annual winter Polar Bear Run where members donated their time and contributed \$1,863 to the

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Vehicle experts spell out disposal steps

Story by John A. Nowell

Area II Public Affairs Office

YONGSAN — As summer approaches many service members will be departing Korea and may need to ship their privately-owned vehicles to their next duty stations. Still others may need to dispose of a vehicle in Korea.

Shipping a POV requires the owner to schedule an appointment with the Vehicle Processing Center located at the Transportation Motor Pool (across from

Gate 52 on Yongsan South Post) before going to the Pass and ID and Vehicle Registration Office. The VPC staff will remove the license plates and provide the owner with a document to deregister the vehicle. Call the VPC at 736-7086 and 736-7088 for an appointment.

In all cases, POV owners will have to stop by the Area II Pass and ID and Vehicle Registration Office on Camp Kim and deregister their vehicles before they can ship, sell or dispose of their vehicles.

People who sell their vehicles will need

to transfer ownership to new owners, and both individuals will need to visit the Vehicle Registration Office to complete the transaction. A seller will need to show his ID card, vehicle registration, deregistration form and a bill of sale. The buyer is required to show an ID card, U.S. Forces Korea driver's license, proof of insurance, safety inspection, customs declaration for a foreign vehicle, copy of bill of sale and a vehicle registration form. Personnel not authorized to own and operate a vehicle in Korea will need an approved exception to

policy memorandum signed by the first 0-5 in their chain of command and approval from the Area II commander.

"Anyone who owns a vehicle that is beyond repair or doesn't meet safety standards can dispose of the vehicle through the Defense Reutilization (and Marketing) Office by following some basic rules," said Staff Sgt. Andrew M. Lieberg, noncommissioned officer in charge, Pass and ID and Vehicle Registration Office.

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School Re-registration

Re-registration for school year 2004 - 2005 will be held on the following dates at the designated locations:

- Tuesday - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Hannam Village
- Wednesday - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at SAHS Gym for last names beginning with A - L.
- Thursday - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at SAHS Gym for last names beginning with M - Z.
- Friday - 8 a.m. - noon at SAHS Gym for all.

Family Advocacy Events

■ The Single Parent Support Group will meet 11 a.m. - noon May 24 at Army Community Service, building 4106, Room 124. For more information, call 738-5150.

■ An emergency placement information meeting is scheduled at Army Community Service 11 a.m. - Noon May 26, building 4106, room 124. For more information, call 738-5150.

SOFA Stamp

SOFA stamp service will take place 2 p.m., May 25 at Army Community Service, building 4106 room 118. Sign ups must be in advance. For more information, call 738-4617 or 738-7999.

Newcomer's Orientation

The May Newcomer's Orientation will be three days, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call 738-7999 or 7505.

Asian Pacific Heritage Month

An Asia Pacific Heritage Month observance program will be 11 a.m. Saturday at the Dragon Hill Lodge Courtyard. For more information, call 738-5900 or Master Sgt. Tony McClure 723-6654.

Store Closure

Yongsan main Post Exchange and Four Seasons Store will be closed Tuesday for an organizational day.

Elite Club

The Elite club is a new organization consisting of members of the Audie Murphy Board, Sergeant Morales Club and General Paik Club coming together to discuss many topics and concerns on the peninsula for enlisted service members. The meeting will be held at the multipurpose training facility 2 p.m. May 25.

Yard Sale

Come to the Itaewon Acres Yard Sale 9 a.m. - noon May 22. Bargaining for treasures couldn't be easier or more convenient. Clothes, toys, household items, etc. will be sold.

Commissary Closure

The Yongsan and Hannam Village commissaries will be closed May 31 for Memorial Day. For more information, call 736-3068.

Field Sanitation Team Training

The 38th Medical Detachment will be providing a 40-hour field sanitation team training course July 12 - 16. For more information, call 724-6276 or e-mail at Charles.Morrise@kor.amedd.army.mil.

Food service distributors come to Korea

Story, photos by Linus Lee

Area II Public Affairs Office

YONGSAN — Restaurant managers from military installations across the Far East attended the sixth annual overseas military food show that was held April 21-22 at Yongsan's Main Post Club. Forty-five food service vendors, organized by BiRite Foodservice Distributors, displayed their products at the show.

BiRite, with headquarters located in Brisbane, Calif., has a contract with Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

Various chefs conducted demonstrations during the two days. Chef Jim Benson of Custom Food

Products Inc. gave a presentation on entrée salads. Chef Van Atkins, also from Custom Food Products Inc., demonstrated techniques of making custom sauces and gravy variations. Chef Tony Cerny of the Culinary Academy of San Francisco presented signature panini sandwiches.

"The different demonstrations were interesting, I learned several tips," said Jennifer Oh, Pusan American School senior. "It was a great show, the food was excellent, the people were very friendly and I really appreciate MWR getting this all together."

"We like to help out our 'family' overseas by serving them the best quality food," said Amy Bruno, BiRite director

of marketing. "This is a great opportunity to meet new people in the MWR system from all over the Pacific."

Representatives from throughout the Far East included Korea, Japan and Okinawa.

"This is a great opportunity to introduce restaurant quality foods to the military," said Brian Lewis of Rich Products. "We have manufacturers that create or provide excellent products to send to national chains in the United States and we can provide this to the military overseas."

"I think this was a great success, especially for the community since they benefited from it the most," said Dan Melton, Area II business manager. "It (food show) definitely helped keep prices low. There were several new products that were introduced that several managers seemed to be interested in."

For more information on food service outlets in Area II, e-mail Melton at meltond@usfk.korea.army.mil or visit the Main Post Club in Yongsan.



Chef Eric Wood of General Mills demonstrates the proper way to cook cinnamon buns during the food show held April 21-22 at Yongsan's Main Post Club.



Jessica Lee, a junior at Seoul American High School, gazes at a display of bread during the food show held April 21-22 at Yongsan's Main Post Club.

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Chaplain's Children's Fund this year.

The YMC is a private club with more than 100 members and is open to everyone with or without a motorcycle. There are no club dues.

The YMC promotes the safe operation of motorized two-wheeled and three-wheeled vehicles through organized group motorcycle touring in Korea. YMC

members are retirees, Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, spouses, and girl or boy friends. There are numerous Koreans also. Many members wear the U.S.-Korean friendship flag on their leather vests and jackets, while wearing red, white and blue scarves. Some even mount U.S.-Korean flags on their motorcycles.

The YMC holds twice-monthly

meetings at 6 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Navy Club on Yongsan's main post. New members are always welcome.

Folks interested in joining the YMC or riding on weekends can contact the club secretary at DSN 738-7137; by cellular phone at 011-9690-7160; or via e-mail at Caseyg@usfk.korea.army.mil

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The following information is provided for the disposition of POVs in Area II:

The Auto Skills Center on Yongsan Garrison South Post will dispose of an American or foreign made vehicle for \$120, which is the towing charge from the shop to DRMO. Owners can also take their vehicle to the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office located at Camp Market themselves. Owners will need to pick up the required documents at the Vehicle Registration Office and then make an appointment with DRMO for the destruction. DRMO will only accept American or other foreign vehicles.

The owner needs to provide a copy of the front and back of his ID card, a copy of the vehicle registration form and a Judge Advocate General release document from the Legal Services Office. The Auto Skills Center will dispose of Korean-made cars (non-export models), but the

owner will need to provide a copy of the owner's ID card and vehicle registration form. The Auto Skills Center has disposition paperwork, but the customer will need to visit the Legal Services Office to obtain the JAG release document. Call 738-5315 for more information.

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service also provides a vehicle disposal service. Art Savannah, manager of the AAFES garage located at Camp Kim, said,

"There is no charge for the disposition of a Korean-made (non-export model) vehicle brought in to the garage by the owner, Savannah said. "If we have to send a wrecker to tow it in, then we will charge a fee depending upon the pickup location."

"For American and other foreign-made vehicles, we charge \$64.95 for battery and hazardous material fluid disposal, plus \$125 for

towing the vehicle from our garage to the (Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office) facility at Camp Market. If we also have to tow the vehicle to our garage, there will be an additional towing fee," said Savannah.

Call 724-6037 for additional information about AAFES services.

"Owners can also take their vehicles to the DRMO at Camp Market themselves," said Lieberg. "They will need to pick up the required documents at our office and make an appointment with DRMO at 722-3374 to turn in the vehicle," said Lieberg.

"Actually, if someone is turning in a Korean-made (non-export model) vehicle, they can drop it off with our office and we will dispose of it," said Lieberg.

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- Kangwha Island Tour - 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

For more information, call the Seoul USO office at 02-792-3380.

Royal Asiatic Tour

- South Cholla Tour : Land of Exile – 8 a.m. Saturday - 8 p.m. Sunday.
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- Soyo-San and Sanjong Lake Tour – 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. May 22.

Call 02-763-9483 for more information about Royal Asiatic Society events.

Entertainment

- The Opera Carmen will be at Jamsil Stadium May Saturday-Wednesday. Call 02-1544-1555 for more information.
- Magician David Copperfield performs May 26-30 at the Sejong Center for the Performing Arts. Call 02-3472-4480 for ticket information.
- Sarah Brightman will be holding performances at the Olympic Park Gymnastics Stadium 8 p.m. June 8

and 9. For more information call 02-3141-3488.

■ The opera, "Lucia Di Lammermoor" will be performed at the Seoul Arts Center May 26 - 30. For more information call 02-587-1950.

■ The musical, "Matthew Bourne's Nutcracker" will be performed at the LG Arts Center 8 p.m Tuesday - Friday, 3 p.m and 8 p.m Saturday, 2 p.m Sunday.

Area II units recognized for excellence

Story by H. Samarripa

Area II ADCO

YONGSAN - Area II tenant units were recently recognized during the second quarter fiscal year 2004 Tenant Commander's Conference hosted by Col. Timothy K. McNulty, Area II Support Activity commander. McNulty recognized several units for their performance in Area II's Army Substance Abuse Program 180-Day-Incentive Award.

The award, a unit guidon streamer, is presented to units that have displayed good conduct by having no drug or alcohol-related blotter incidents for 180

days and conducting 100 percent of their required urinalysis for illegal drug testing during that period. The following units were recognized:

- 501st Military Intelligence Brigade
 - Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 501st Military Intelligence
 - Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 524th Military Intelligence
 - Company A, 532nd Military Intelligence
- 1st Signal Brigade:
 - 362nd Signal Company
 - 14th Signal Detachment
 - 251st Signal Detachment
- 17th Aviation Brigade
 - Company A, 1st Battalion,

52nd Aviation Regiment

-Company D, 1st Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment

-Company D, 164th Air Traffic Services Group

■ 18th Medical Command:

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 18th Medical Command

-38th Medical Detachment

■ 8th Personnel Command:

- Company A 516th Personnel Services Battalion

-1st Replacement Company

■ 19th Military Police Battalion:

- 19th Military Police Detachment

■ 25th Transportation Battalion:

- Headquarters and Headquarters

Detachment, 25th Transportation Battalion

The 175th Finance Command was also recognized for "Excellence in the Area II Risk Reduction Program." They were presented with a Golden Eagle Trophy by McNulty for not having had one single high risk behavior incident during first quarter fiscal year 2004 in the Area II ASAP Risk Reduction Program.

All units participating in the Area II Risk Reduction Program are tracked in 14 high-risk behavioral areas that are of the most concern to the command. These include but are not limited to alcohol and drug offenses, traffic violations, absent without leave cases, suicide gestures or attempts and domestic violence.

Driving in Korea: a nightmare around the corner *Claims service aims to prepare servicemembers for the unexpected*

Story by Col. R. Peter Masterton
U.S. Armed Force Claims Service, Korea

Driving in Korea can be traumatic for Americans. The roads are crowded and no one seems to obey the traffic laws. However, once the rules and customs are learned, driving in Korea can become a safer and less traumatic experience.

Under Korean law, all drivers are held to the standard of a professional driver. This means that you are expected to exercise extreme care to avoid hitting pedestrians and other vehicles.

When an accident occurs, both drivers involved are usually assessed a percentage of liability, even if one of the drivers was clearly more at fault than the other.

For example, if someone was attempting to make a left turn and hit a scooter that has just run a red light, both that person and the scooter driver may be held partially responsible for the accident.

That person's liability may only be 10 percent while the scooter driver's liability is 90 percent. However, the Korean courts will then compare your damages (probably negligible)

and the scooter driver's damages, which could easily total \$10,000, including medical bills. In this example, the Korean courts might hold that person responsible for 10 percent of the scooter driver's damages, even though the accident was primarily the fault of the scooter driver.

A traffic violation that may result in a citation in the United States may result in imprisonment in Korea, especially if the violation causes serious injury or death.

However, Korean courts generally respond positively when injured parties receive adequate compensation.

Korean law encourages private settlements between injured parties and the driver at fault in a traffic accident.

Appropriate compensation by the insurance company of the driver at fault generally satisfies this requirement. If a private settlement cannot be reached, the injured party can sue the driver at fault in a Korean court. U.S. servicemembers, civilian employees, family members, and invited contractors are subject to these kinds of

lawsuits. In addition, the Korean criminal justice system can be used to enforce civil judgments. As a consequence, having plenty of insurance is a good idea.

The Office of the Provost Marshal, U.S. Forces Korea requires you to purchase certain minimum amounts of insurance.

Servicemembers are required to purchase bodily injury liability insurance of \$50,000 per person and \$100,000 per accident and property damage liability insurance of \$25,000. This covers the damages caused to others in an accident.

To provide more protection from civil judgments and criminal prosecution, it is better to purchase more than the minimum insurance.

A Korean comprehensive insurance policy that provides unlimited liability for bodily injury may give you complete protection from civil and criminal liability in a traffic accident that does not involve death or gross negligence, such as driving while intoxicated.

Driving while intoxicated is strictly prohibited in Korea. The legal limit of intoxication in Korea is .5 milligrams (.05 percent) of alcohol per

milliliter of blood. A Soldier who drives with an alcohol content that meets or exceeds this limit may face charges in Korean court, court-martial or nonjudicial punishment under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. If bodily injury or death is involved, the Soldier may spend a long time in jail. In addition, he or she will receive a reprimand from a general officer that may be placed in his or her permanent military record and will lose his or her driving privileges.

Because of the dangers of driving in Korea, the strict drunk-driving penalties and the availability of cheap public transportation, many could say drinking and driving doesn't make much sense.

Those who have grown accustomed to Korean driving rules learn to drive defensively. They also ensure that they have adequate insurance coverage to protect them in the event they become involved in an accident.

Contact the nearest legal office questions concerning liability for traffic accidents.

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Essayons 732-9008	No Show	Twisted	No Show	Eurotrip	Walking Tall	No Show	Starsky and Hutch
Garry Owen 734-2509	No Show	Walking Tall	Eurotrip	Hidalgo	Starsky and Hutch	No Show	Agent Cody Banks 2
Greaves 734-8388	Walking Tall	Hidalgo	Walking Tall	No Show	No Show	Starsky and Hutch	Agent Cody Banks 2
Henry 768-7724	Spartan	Agent Cody Banks 2	Walking Tall	Secret Window	No Show	No Show	No Show
Humphreys 753-7716	Man on Fire	Catch That Kid	Catch That Kid	Secret Window	Secret Window	Spartan	Dirty Dancing: Havana
Hialeah 763-370	Walking Talk	Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen	Starsky and Hutch	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show
Hovey 730-5412	Secret Window	Man on Fire	Spartan	Spartan	Man on Fire	Dirty Dancing	Agent Cody Banks 2
Howze 734-5689	Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen	Eurotrip	Hidalgo	No Show	No Show	No Show	Spartan

Man on Fire



In Mexico City, a government operative/soldier of fortune (Denzel Washington) who has pretty much given up on life, reluctantly agrees to take a job to protect a child (Dakota Fanning) whose parents are threatened by a wave of kidnappings. He eventually becomes close

to the child and their relationship reawakens and rekindles his spirit. When she is abducted, his fiery rage is unleashed on those he feels responsible, and he stops at nothing to save her

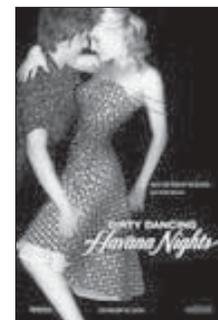
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Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights



Havana: November, 1958. 18-year-old Katey Miller (Garai) brings an innate curiosity and a smattering of Spanish to her new life in Cuba's lush capital, where her father has taken an executive posting at Ford. Katey is expected to join the smart set of American teenagers, but she finds herself drawn instead

to the proud, purposeful Javier (Luna), a waiter who also happens to be brilliant dancer are ready to take their place as a couple on the dance floor - unaware that the country club, and the streets of Havana itself, are about to erupt in revolutionary violence.

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Location Phone No.	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20
Kunsan 782-4987	Home on the Range	Home on the Range	Home on the Range	No Show	Secret Window	Spartan	Dirty Dancing: Havana
Long 721-3407	Taking Lives	No Show	Broken Lizard's Club Dread	Starsky and Hutch	No Show	No Show	No Show
Osan 784-4930	Laws of Attraction	Catch That Kid	Catch That Kid	Secret Window	Secret Window	Spartan	Dirty Dancing: Havana
Page 721-5499	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show	No Show
Red Cloud 732-6620	Man on Fire	Hidalgo	Hidalgo	Secret Window	Dirty Dancing: Havana	No Show	Laws of Attraction
Stanley 732-5565	Secret Window	Spartan	Spartan	Dirty Dancing: Havana	No Show	Laws of Attraction	Dirty Dancing: Havana
Yongsan I 738-7389	Laws of Attraction	Laws of Attraction	Laws of Attraction	Secret Window	Secret Window	Dirty Dancing: Havana	Dirty Dancing: Havana
Yongsan II 738-7389	Starsky and Hutch	Starsky and Hutch	Starsky and Hutch	Hidalgo	Hidalgo	Secret Window	Secret Window
Yongsan III 738-7389	Starsky and Hutch	Starsky and Hutch	Starsky and Hutch	Starsky and Hutch	Spartan	Spartan	Spartan

Chaplain: 'Army of One' for all

By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Bjarnason
8th Military Police Brigade chaplain

The first slogan for the all-volunteer Army was "Today's Army wants to join you." This was followed in 1973 by "Join the people who've joined the Army" which evolved into a short-lived "This is the Army." In 1981, the Army came up with the slogan "Be all you can be." Most of my time in the Army I have lived with this slogan, "Be all you can be."

Many times, while I was in Iraq during both Operation Desert Shield/Storm and the

early part of Operation Iraqi Freedom, I was so very sure that I had "done been all I can possibly be."

Things change, In January 2002, the "Be all you can be" in the Army changed to "An Army of One." Many of us have asked, "What is the meaning, 'An Army of One?'"

In my unit, the 8th Military Police Brigade, we have a motto: "100 percent and then some." This epitomizes "An Army of One."

I just finished reading an interesting devotional from a dear friend of mine, retired Army Chaplain Don Yancy. His

devotional, entitled "Mychal's Prayer," talked about an issue of Parade Magazine which noted that Father Mychal F. Judge, the late New York Police Department chaplain, carried a prayer in his pocket, and the NYPD personnel referred to it as Mychal's Prayer. The prayer reads:

"Lord, take me wherever You want me to go;
Let me meet who You want me to meet;
Tell me what You want me to say;
And keep me out of Your way."

My favorite part of this prayer is, "And

keep me out of Your way."

What a great prayer. This is one that I would encourage each of us to pray everyday. This prayer sums up the phrase, "better to give than to receive." It also answers the question for me, the meaning of "An Army of One."

May God bless you as you strive to be an Army of One - representing the highest of our Army Values: "Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage" - with all whom you come into contact. Remember, we are never off-duty; we are "An Army of One."

Area II Worship Services

Protestant

Contemporary	Sunday	10 a.m.	Multipurpose Training Facility
Episcopal	Sunday	10 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
Church of Christ	Sunday	2 p.m.	South Post Chapel
United Pentecostal	Sunday	10 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
Church International			
Collective	Sunday	8 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
		9:30 a.m.	121 Hospital Chapel
		9:30 a.m.	Hannam Village Chapel (Korean)
		10 a.m.	South Post Chapel
		11 a.m.	Hannam Village Chapel
	Noon	South Post Chapel	
	1 p.m.	K-16 Community Chapel	

Collective	Sunday	6 p.m.	South Post Chapel
		7 p.m.	Camp Colbern Chapel
Korean	Tuesday	6 p.m.	Camp Colbern Chapel
	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Memorial Chapel
KCFA	2nd Tuesday	11:45 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
	3rd Tuesday	11:45 a.m.	Memorial Chapel

Catholic

Mass	Sunday	8 a.m.	South Post Chapel
		11:30 a.m.	Memorial Chapel
	Tuesday	12:05 p.m.	121 Hospital Chapel
		7 p.m.	South Post Chapel
	Mon/Wed/Thur/Fri	12:05 p.m.	Memorial Chapel
	Saturday	5 p.m.	Memorial Chapel

Mass	5 p.m.	Memorial Chapel
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Jewish

Friday	6 p.m.	Memorial Chapel
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Setting out for an adventure...

Story, photo by Pfc. Stephanie Pearson
Area I Public Affairs Office

JEJU ISLAND, South Korea — There is an island where aquamarine water crashes against the rocky, jagged coastline; where the volcano that formed it rises from the center, visible from anywhere on the island; where streets are lined with palm trees; and the sound of the ocean is never far off. Sound like Hawaii? At just under an hour's plane ride from Seoul, it is a lot closer than Hawaii to servicemembers serving in Korea. It is Jeju Island.

Twenty-five Area I servicemembers got to experience the culture and coastline of this small island off the south coast of the peninsula on a Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers-sponsored trip April 9-11.

For just \$225, the servicemembers got round-trip airfare, two nights in a hotel, breakfast and a private tour of one of Korea's favorite vacation spots.

The group flew out of Incheon airport early on a Friday morning, arriving in Jeju Island at about 8 a.m. They were met at the airport by Ae-jeong, their tour guide for the trip. After stopping at a traditional Korean restaurant for breakfast, the group began their tour of the island.

The first stop was Hallim Park, where the group visited a sculpture garden filled with stone statues and grottos. After the park, Ae-jeong took the servicemembers to their first look at the unusual coastline of Jeju Island.

"It's not a shoreline like you see anywhere else," said Spc. Wayne Whetzel, Area I BOSS president and Jeju trip coordinator, "There's a lot of unique scenery around the shoreline, because it's a volcanic area and you can see where the volcanoes, over



Warriors discover Jeju Island

the past few thousand years, have formed the island into what it is today."

Along the coast, the servicemembers saw another one of Jeju-do's unique features: the haenyeo, or diving women. These women go diving every morning to catch fish and dig up clams, mussels and crabs, which they sell from buckets along the coast.

The rest of the day was spent at a modern art park and restaurant, before the group retired to their hotel in Cheonjeyeon for the night.

"We got done around 4:30 p.m. each day," Whetzel said. "After that, we had free time. There was a lot to do around the hotel — nightclubs, shopping and restaurants, as well as a beautiful waterfall and a pier that you could walk on to see the fishing boats."

The next day began with a trip to the island's largest Buddhist temple, renowned for having a room filled with 500 Buddha statues. From there, the group went to the Seongeup Folk Village, where they got to see how Jeju residents lived 500 years ago. One of the last stops on the trip was Ilchulbong, or Sunrise Peak, a volcanic cone on the eastern tip of the island. A steep climb up the side of the mountain led to a viewing platform, where the hikers were rewarded for their trouble with one of the most stunning views on Jeju-do.

The day ended at a local "four-wheeler" course, where the group got to ride all-terrain vehicles.

"My favorite part of the trip was when we went ATV riding," Whetzel said. "I think we may have scared the Korean guide at first. He thought he was just getting a regular group of people, but he actually got a few Soldiers who knew what they were doing, and we had a lot of fun."

Whetzel encourages all Soldiers to take advantage of the travel opportunities available while in Korea.

"It builds morale to get away from everyday activities," he said. "You've got to get out every now-and-then and forget about everything, turn your cell phone off and have fun — you're on vacation!"



Jeju Island is renowned for its sweet tangerines, cultivated on the island. A local woman offered hers to the Soldiers on the trip.



Camp Red Cloud Fitness Center offers classes

■ The Camp Red Cloud Fitness Center is offering indoor cycling classes 7:30-8:30 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday. For more information call 732-6309.

■ The Camp Red Cloud Fitness Center is offering an aerobics class 6 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday. For more information, call 732-6309.

Cancer Awareness Relay Event

A Cancer Awareness Relay is scheduled for May 21-22 at the Camp Walker Airfield. Teams of five-12 persons walk, run or wheelchair around the track for 21-consecutive hours, keeping one person on the track at all times. Teams will be provided space on the airfield to spend the night.

Contact Capt. Phillip Christy at phillip.christy@kor.amedd.army.mil to sign up. For Korean speakers, contact Kim Kok-chi at 053-470-4392.

Seoul International Photo Show

Yongsan camera club members plan to visit to the Seoul International Photo and Imaging Industry Show 10 a.m. May 29 at the COEX Center.

The event is open to everyone, but people must sign up for free tickets at the Yongsan Arts and Crafts Center, building 4253.

Call 738-4650 or 738-5465 for more information. The arts and crafts center is open 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

Golf Tournament

Camp Red Cloud Golf Course is hosting the U.S. Army Golf Camp Red Cloud Championship 9 a.m. May 22.

Winners will advance to the 2004 Warrior Division Annual Men's and Women's Golf Championship 7 a.m. May 28 on the CRC Golf Course.

For more information, call 732-6927.

Five-kilometer Run

Camp Red Cloud Fitness Center is sponsoring a five-kilometer run 9 a.m. May 22. Registration begins 7 a.m.

It is open to all active-duty military, Department of Defense civilians and adult family members stationed in Area I.

Free T-Shirts will be given to the first 50 registers. For more information call 732-6309.

Pool Tournament

The Camp Essayons Recreation Center is hosting 8 Ball Tournament 1 p.m. May 23. A trophy will be awarded to first place. Active-duty servicemembers and KATUSAs are eligible to attend.

For more information, call 732-7201

Community fair gives servicemembers, families insight to health issues

Story by Wendy Goulet

Area II Support Activity
Health Promotion Office

YONGSAN — More than 600 Department of Defense employees, servicemembers and their families took part a community health fair sponsored by Area II Support Activity and 18th Medical Command held in Yongsan's Collier Field House area April 24.

The health fair kicked off with a five-kilometer run. Almost 300 adults and children participated in the run. All runners and walkers received a free health fair T-shirt for participating.

Before the run, Rebecca Fernandes, a certified massage therapist said, "Everyone should stretch and warm-up before an athletic event, and after an athletic event it is also important to cool down."

Several private companies set up booths and provided free products and services.

Other featured booths included cardiovascular disease risk factor screenings, body composition analysis, free vision screenings and smoking cessation sign-ups.

Phone cards from RingMom.com were given away to health fair attendees and 12 people won gift



The 542nd Medical Company, 52nd Medical Evacuation Battalion provided one UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter with medical evacuation configuration. The medical equipment layout was outside the helicopter so visitors could get an idea of the medical capabilities of the aircraft.

certificates for \$10 to any restaurant in the Dragon Hill Lodge at the fair. Army and Air Force Exchange Service New Car Sales also donated a calorie counting jump rope, a youth soccer ball, a youth baseball bat, a tennis racket and boys and girls bicycles.

The Area II Support Activity Health Promotion Office provided information on the civilian employee "Fit to Win" Program,

weight management and brochures with tips for eating out and how to shop smart.

"With all the recent high profile alcohol-related incidents in the command," said Richard Boyce, prevention coordinator, Area II Support Activity Community Counseling Center. "I was pleased with the turn out and interest at our booth during the Health Fair."

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Photo contest first of its kind

Story by Mike Mooney

Morale, Welfare and Recreation Marketing Office

CAMP HUMPHREYS—Everywhere you look, hand-size silver boxes that have revolutionized the art of photography can be seen.

No longer do you have to wait for your film to be developed to see if you have that perfect picture. No longer do you have to buy expensive film to generate instant pictures.

Just about anyone can use a digital camera. But how well can they use them?

Jim Hogrebe, manager of the Camp Humphreys Community Activities Center, wants to see how good you really are. That's why he is creating the first Camp Humphreys Digital PhotoFest.

"When the digital photo craze first started, cameras were difficult to use, expensive and didn't really take very good picture," Hogrebe said. "But now, the digital cameras are reasonably priced, have good lenses and are exceptionally easy to use. So now's the time to see how good people can use them."

The concept for the Digital PhotoFest was originally created by Sgt. Lee Han-Jin as a Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers project. However, the time element was too short and couldn't be accomplished before Sergeant Lee's discharge. Hogrebe decided to grab the idea and keep it alive.

"Sergeant Lee, who will be leaving the Army in early July, put a lot of thought and a lot of work into his idea for the photo contest," Hogrebe said, "and I want to thank him for his creativity. Sergeant Lee and the rest of our KATUSAs did a fabulous job of creating an art, flower and photo exhibit as part of the Camp Humphreys KATUSA & U.S. Soldier Friendship Week Celebration. Now we want to take things one step further

with the Digital PhotoFest."

The PhotoFest runs from May 1 through June 27. Awards will be presented at the annual Camp Humphreys "Let's Roll" Fourth of July celebration.

U.S. and Korean servicemembers, civilian employees and family members are invited to participate. There are three categories: "People & Such," "Places to Go" and "Things to Do." Individuals will be allowed to enter up to three digital photos in each category.

"Individuals must provide an 8 by 10 print of their digital photo," Hogrebe explained, "and it must be a digital photo. No 35mm or other types of photos except digital will be accepted. Eighth Army already runs a photo contest for 35 mm, and this is something new. Besides, unless you have a \$10,000 digital camera, it's almost impossible to match the quality of a 35 mm. We know that, but we also think it's time to add a digital contest since this is the latest craze in photography."

Individuals who can't get an 8 by 10 print of their photo will be able to print them at the Camp Humphreys CAC for a small fee to cover costs. Hogrebe is purchasing a color printer for that purpose.

"People & Such" is described as pictures of families and friends, people doing things and animals.

The "Places to Go" category should be of Korean historic sites or scenery, while "Things to Do" includes military units in training, Korean food and Korean-American activities.

"If you've got a good photo, we'll find a category to put it in," Hogrebe said.

Prizes in each category will include trophies and a package of Area MWR merchandise. Further information is available by calling 753-8825, 018-281-0323 or e-mail Area3Photo@yahoo.com

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KSC hones skills during annual training

Story by Susan Barkley

Area III Public Affairs Office

FORT PICKETT, Va. — If you give 15 men enough sections of six-inch diameter 19-foot lengths of aluminum pipe, they can lay 6.4 miles of pipeline in less than two weeks. That's exactly what 15 members of the 22nd Korean Service Corps from Camp Humphreys did during their annual training at Fort Pickett, Va.

Thirty men completed training April 9-23. They comprise three wartime companies who would be tasked with getting fuel to aircraft and equipment during hostilities. Using the Inland Petroleum Distribution System developed by Radian Inc. of Alexandria, Va., teams can quickly deploy pipeline systems wherever needed.

In addition to laying pipeline, 15 other men trained by building a "wet bridge" petroleum distribution system over 100 feet of water. This was the first year they completed the wet bridge training.



PHOTO BY OKI HO
Korean Service Corps personnel install six-inch diameter pipe between aluminum panels during construction of their "wet bridge" project during annual training at Fort Pickett, Va.

"We learn more technical things every year," said Pak Tae-kun. Pak was the KSC engineering technician in charge and the senior technician in charge of the wet bridge crew.

The KSC teams train with the 412th Engineer Command from Vicksburg, Miss. The 412th is the lead unit for U.S. Army troop construction in Korea. By training with deploying soldiers, KSC personnel are accustomed to working with the same people who would be beside them during a wartime mission.

This was the fourth time Kim Kwan-sik, pipeline team leader, completed the training. He said there was no difficulty working with the U.S. Soldiers.

Chong Yong-an, 22nd KSC commander, accompanied the men and said his jobs included taking care of the men and making sure they had Korean food on a regular basis.

"All my guys are very proud of a successful mission," said Chong. "We can do our mission in any situation."

The 22nd KSC is one of 15 companies in Korea under the command of Lt. Col. Emmett C. Harleston Jr.

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'Purple K' helps Soldiers fight fires

Story, photo by Steve Davis

Area III Public Affairs Office

CAMP HUMPHREYS — "Purple K," a colorful firefighting chemical, rained down at Camp Humphreys burn pit April 28 as Soldiers learned how to operate firefighting equipment they may have to use in the field some day.

According to Capt. Gabriel Trexler, the 8th Army operations officer who coordinated the firefighting training, 10 TRIMAX TM280 have been purchased for use by aviation units in South Korea. The highly portable units are designed to be used in the field, particularly at forward area helicopter refueling points.

"This is good hands-on training," said Sgt. James Jennings, a fuel handler from the 542nd Medical Company (Air Ambulance) at Camp Page.

Jennings was among Soldiers from five aviation units who practiced putting out fires using mobile equipment mounted on a Humvee and an Army truck. It was the first time in eight years as a fuel handler that he has trained on such a portable system.

"I'll go back and train eight more people in my unit how to operate the equipment," he said.

Soldiers practice putting out actual fires annually at the Area III Fire Department training area.



Aviation Soldiers use a TRIMAX TM280, also known as "Purple K," to put out a fuel fire at Camp Humphreys April 28.

Mike Smith, military marketing manager for the TRIMAX system, and Area III Fire Chief Anthony Marra taught Soldiers how to extinguish fuel fires using foam and Purple K.

"Purple K is used for 'running fuel fires' such as fuel dripping or leaking from a helicopter," said

Marra. "Foam is used form a blanket of protection over the fuel provide smothering effect to extinguish ground fires and puddles of fuel."

Sgt. Tannica Grice, a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter fuel specialist from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battatlion, 2nd Aviation Regiment, said it was

interesting learning how to control and extinguish fuel fires.

"We just got the fundamentals, now we're going to put out a fire," she said as she headed toward a roaring fire in the burn pit. She was ready to kill it.

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NEWS & NOTES

Quarterly OCIE Workshop

The Directorate of Logistics will hold its next Organizational Clothing and Individual Equipment workshop 9 a.m. Wednesday in Freedom's Inn. Units are encouraged to send key logistics personnel. For information call 753-6364.

Commissary, PX Closure

The Camp Humphreys Commissary will be closed May 24-25 for inventory. Camp Humphreys Main Post Exchange, Food Court and concessions will be closed Thursday and May 22 for an organization day.

PTO Monthly Meeting

The final meeting for this school year of the Humphreys American Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization will be held 6:30 p.m. May 25 at the Youth Services building.

Individual Fitness

Get in shape with a variety of free classes offered by Morale, Welfare and Recreation. All classes are held at the Community Activities Center.

Mondays:

Cardio kickboxing at 9:15 a.m.
Water aerobics at 1 p.m.
Yoga at 5:45 p.m.
Aerobics combo at 7 p.m.

Tuesdays:

Body sculpting at 9:15 a.m.
Water aerobics at 1 p.m.

Wednesdays:

Yoga at 5:45 p.m.
Aerobics combo at 7 p.m.

Thursdays:

Step aerobics at 9:15 a.m.
Yoga at 5:45 p.m.

For more information call 753-8825.

Camp Humphreys Digital Photofest

A digital photography contest will be held May 1 to June 27 for all U.S. and Korean military personnel, civilian employees and family members.

Categories are people and such; places to go; and things to do. Entries must be 8 by 10 prints. Entries are limited to three photos per person per category. Winners will advance to the Korea Region contest.

Airport Shuttle

An Incheon Airport Shuttle leaves daily from the Camp Humphreys Community Activities Center. Cost is \$25 per person. The shuttle will stop at airline portals. Reservations are required. For more information call 753-8825.

Free patch sewing service

Area III officer and enlisted Soldiers who have just arrived or have just been promoted may take their uniforms to the post exchange sewing shop concession and get their patches sewn on for free.

Permanent Change of Station of promotion orders and a valid military ID card are required along with the uniforms and patches. Contact unit command sergeants major supply sergeants for details.

KSC completes Common Task Training

Story, photo by Susan Barkley

Area III Public Affairs Office

CAMP HUMPHREYS — Soldiers aren't the only ones who complete Common Task Training. Members of the 22nd Korean Service Corps from Camp Humphreys completed CTT May 6 and 7.

Each man completed 15 tasks ranging from map reading to weapons familiarization. Successfully completing 11 of the 15 tasks resulted in a passing grade.

Sgt. Maj. Harold Mullen, Headquarters, Korean Service Corps Battalion, who was in charge of the evaluation team, brought executive officers from 10 other KSC companies across the peninsula to serve as evaluators for the two-day event.

"They train to meet their needs in the event of mobilization," Mullen said. He added that there is a minimum of 40 hours of training per year.

KSC has used the external evaluator format since 1998. Mullen said this has allowed all 2,185 members of the KSC Battalion to be trained and evaluated by the same standard.

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Members of the 22nd KSC Company attempt to don their M40 Nuclear, biological and chemical protective mask according to the Army's nine-second standard during annual common task training evaluation at Camp Humphreys.

Area III shows its appreciation for military retirees

Story by Steve Davis

Area III Public Affairs Office

CAMP HUMPHREYS — The newly formed Area III Retiree Council treated 45 military veterans to a free meal, door prizes and lots of information April 24 during the first Retiree Appreciation Day.

The veterans were welcomed by Area III Commander Col. Mike Clay.

"We appreciate your service to our nation and to our military community," Clay told the veterans. "You are still an important part of the military family and it is my job to support you. We want to serve you better and also capture your good ideas about how to improve Area III."

Command Sgt. Maj. Robert R. Frace, who was instrumental in the formation of the Area III Retiree Council, also welcomed the retirees gathered at the Nitewatch Café.

"I am happy that we have finally organized a retiree council in Area III," said Frace. "As far as I'm concerned, you are all still in the military and I'm proud to serve with all of you."

Frace helped organize a retiree health and information fair in January. The fair served as an impetus to the formation of an actual retiree council.

A handful of interested retirees met several times in March and early April to discuss forming the retiree council and appointing officers.

Bill Spearman, a retired Army command sergeant major now working for the Area III Army Community Service, was chosen to be council chairman. A.C. Scott, an Air Force retiree working as the Area III Directorate of Logistics property book officer, is vice chairman. Tyrone Ellis and Randall S. Pryor who both work at Camp Humphreys are co-secretaries. Frace was selected by the

council as an active-duty advisor and will attend the council's bi-monthly meetings as a liaison to the Area III command group. Meeting minutes will be presented to the area commander and to the U.S. Forces Korea Retiree Council.

Spearman, who invited area retirees to the appreciation luncheon, gave a presentation explaining the purpose, mission and vision of the Area III Retiree Council.

"The Area III Retiree Council will be concerned with local policies and conditions that affect retirees," he said. "We will also advise the Area III commander on issues that affect military retirees."

Spearman said some of the issues that the council will be concerned with are post access, access to local medical and dental clinics, discrimination and support of widows of U.S. military retirees.

In addition to addressing retiree issues, the Area III Retiree will publicize the contributions of military retirees, Spearman said.

"Many units depend on military retirees who are now civil servants or contractors," he said. "Many volunteers are military retirees, as well."

Spearman said the retiree council will be "a constructive part of the community team" that will add value to the entire community.

The council will ask designated members to attend other community forums to represent retirees and their family members and to relay pertinent information to the retiree council. Some of the meetings the retiree representatives attend will include post exchange and commissary council meetings; community health care forums; veterans group meetings; force protection forums; Morale, Welfare and Recreation meetings;

town hall meetings; education forums; and Army Family Action Plan conferences.

Jack Terweil, retiree affairs officer at Osan Air Base, also presented a slide show outlining services he offers to the retiree community. Those services are listed at Terweil's Web site at www.rao-osan.com. The site includes links to other sites that may interest military retirees.

Terweil has extensive knowledge of issues facing military retirees living or working in Korea. He also has direct communication with various government agencies that handle veteran's issues, including the Department of Veteran's Affairs, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service and the Internal Revenue Service.

"Korean widows of military retirees take about 90 percent of my time," said Terweil, whose wife also assists his efforts to take care of the widows.

Spearman told the retirees that an area-wide Retiree Appreciation Day was being planned for June 13 that may include a picnic and discounts at area facilities and events.

Following a buffet meal courtesy of Area III Morale, Welfare and Recreation, door prizes were drawn for prizes donated by the United Service Organizations, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and S & K Sales Co.

Leewood Matthews, a military retiree who works at the Camp Eagle warehouse, won the grand prize: a gas barbecue grill donated by the Camp Humphreys Post Exchange.

The Area III Retiree Council will hold its first council meeting 10 a.m. Saturday in the Army Community Service classroom.

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Around Area III



PHOTO BY SUSAN BARKLEY

Above — Soldiers from the 22nd Korea Service Corps Company at Camp Humphreys practice weapons familiarization before being evaluated during annual Common Task Training.

Right — Members of the 22nd KSC Company at Camp Humphreys assist each other at the nuclear, biological and chemical station of their annual training.



PHOTO BY STEVE DAVIS

Left — Soldiers watch as a TRIMAX TM280, also known as "Purple K," is sprayed on a fuel fire during training at Camp Humphreys.



PHOTO BY SUSAN BARKLEY



Area IV salutes its Good Neighbors

By Kevin Jackson

Area IV Public Affairs Office

CAMP WALKER – The Daegu and Camp Carroll communities formally recognized their “Good Neighbors” May 1 and 7 during receptions at the Evergreen Community Club and at the Camp Carroll Community Activities Center.

The Area IV Support Activity Good Neighbor Awards receptions were held to honor and recognize Korean citizens for their outstanding contributions to promote friendship and strengthen the alliance between the Republic of Korea and the United States. People and organizations selected to receive the Good Neighbor Award were praised for making a significant difference in the lives of U.S. Forces Korea members in Daegu and at Camp Carroll.

In Daegu, Good Neighbor Awards were presented to Dr. Ahn Jong-ho, Huh Kyu-byong, the Korean

Civilian Military Police Regimental Association, Lee Sang-hoon, Dr. Nam Sung-hee and Pak Yong-jin.

The Camp Carroll community presented awards to Lee Kang-hae, Yi Tae-yun, and the Korean Veterans Association Gyeongsangbuk-do Chapter.

Ahn, former president of the People-to-People Daegu Chapter, hosted People-to-People charity auctions in 1999 and 2000, raising 30 million won for indigent and Amerasian children. Since 1985, he invited more than 200 Soldiers to his home as part of the Home Visitation Program. He was subsequently awarded a USFK Good Neighbor Award by Gen. Leon J. LaPorte in Seoul May 4.

Huh is an adjunct professor at the Kyungpook National University School of Medicine and Graduate School of



Public Health, and was a civil affairs officer at Camp Henry from 1961 to 1974. He sought opportunities to promote Korean and American friendships through the Korean Red Cross Daegu Chapter and Rotary International District 3700 and develop ties between the Camp Walker Health Clinic and Kyungpook National University to improve health care education.

President Joo Yoon-sik accepted the award for the Korean Civilian Military Police Regimental Association. The Korean Civilian Military Police Regimental Association has been active with the 728th Military Police Battalion for the past 10 years. It has supported the battalion’s Soldiers with cultural outreach programs to Gyeongju and Andong, sponsored a Korean National Police Appreciation Program and donated money for numerous other unit activities.

Lee is a former KATUSA soldier and the president of Kool House Realty in Daegu.

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PHOTO BY GALEN PUTNAM

Kim Jae-chul, Daegu Local National Volunteer of the Year, works on a vehicle at the Camp Henry Auto Craft Shop.

Top volunteers recognized

By Galen Putnam

Area IV Public Affairs Office,

CAMP WALKER – Area IV Support Activity volunteers contribute thousands of hours equating to hundreds of thousands of dollars in savings to the command each year, arguably making Area IV the best place to live, work and play on the peninsula.

In order to give something back to those who give so much, Camp Carroll and the Daegu Enclave held Volunteer of the Year recognition dinners April 23 and 30 to honor those who help make such a difference.

Camp Carroll recognized volunteers in four categories – Soldier, Korean Augmentation to the United States Army, Civilian and Local National Volunteers of the Year.

“Like most us, they have busy lives, family commitments, many have jobs, but they take that extra step to help and assist others without benefit of monetary return, and far too few pats on the back,” said Richard L. Young, Camp Carroll installation manager.

“They save a lot of money we don’t have. We don’t have enough money to pay for every position that we would like to have on the installation,” said Sandra M. Jackson, Camp Carroll Army Community Service program coordinator, who directed the recognition ceremony. “With volunteers who are willing to donate their time, we’re able to do so much more than we would without them.”

The 9,810 hours logged by installation volunteers, an increase of 2,366 hours from last year, would have generated a saving of \$112,226.40 to Camp Carroll at a rate of \$11.44 per hour. Volunteer hours were tabulated from April 1, 2003, to March 31, 2004.

The Soldier Volunteer of the Year is Spc. Richard S. Murphy, Charlie Company, 307th Signal Battalion, who dedicated himself to a variety of volunteer activities including his unit’s participation in the installation’s annual Christmas party for Korean orphans.

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Annual Armed Forces Day Open House on slate for May 22

CAMP WALKER – The Area IV Support Activity will host its third annual Armed Forces Day Open House for the public at the Walker Army Heliport here 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 22.

The event features numerous static displays of United States and Republic of Korea Army aircraft, tactical vehicles and equipment, entertainment, children’s games, food and refreshments.

The opening ceremony begins 10 a.m. with the playing of the Korean and American national anthems

by the Republic of Korea’s 50th Homeland Reserve Division Band, and will be followed by opening remarks by Col. James M. Joyner, the Area IV Support Activity commander.

A variety of activities will also be available to keep children entertained.

The open house is intended to give both U.S. and Korean residents an opportunity to learn more about the U.S. Army mission in the Republic of Korea, and to foster better relations between the communities.

Backpacks, book bags and containers will not be permitted inside the Walker Army Heliport, nor is parking available inside the heliport. People with installation access may enter via Gate 9 near the Camp Walker Fire Department. All others should enter through Gate 7 at the base of the control tower, located off the street behind the Daegu Garden Hotel. Contact the U.S. Army’s Area IV Support Activity at 768-6907 for more information about the Armed Forces Day Open House.

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KATUSA Spiritual Fitness Training

All KATUSA Soldiers in the Daegu area are invited to attend KATUSA Spiritual Fitness Training 7 a.m. Wednesday at the Camp Walker Evergreen Community Club. The guest speaker will be Won Jae-chun, a professor at Han-dong University. Breakfast will be provided. For more information, call Sgt. Kim at 764-4498.

Korean Speech Contest

The Area IV ROKA Personnel Office is hosting a Korean speech contest for U.S. Soldiers in Area IV 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Camp Walker Soldier Memorial Chapel. The contest is open to all Area IV U.S. Soldiers who are not Korean-American. Applications should be submitted to the ROKA Staff Office of the participant's respective unit. The top two participants will advance to the peninsula-wide contest June 16. For more information, call Sgt. Sohn Si-ho at 768-6669.

Summer Program Registration

The Camp Walker School-Age Services is offering summer specialty camps for children in first through fifth-grades. Registration for the camps will start 9 a.m. Monday at the Child and Youth Services Central Registration Office, Camp Walker, building 257. The camps run for nine weeks beginning June 21. Only 60 spaces are available for each week. For more information, call the School-Age Services at 764-4381.

Asian Pacific-American Heritage Month

The Area IV commemoration of Asian Pacific-American Heritage Month will be 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Evergreen Community Club on Camp Walker. The theme of the event is "Freedom for All, A Nation We Call Our Own." Lt. Col. Vince A. Morikawa will be the guest speaker. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Stephanie Buxton at 768-8542.

Daegu Commissary Closure

The Daegu Commissary will be closed Monday and Tuesday for inventory and will reopen 11 a.m. Wednesday. For more information, call Celine Ruiz at 764-5310.

"Weight Reduction" Drive

The Area IV Chaplain's Office is hosting a "Weight Reduction" Charity Drive through May 24. Baseball hats, T-shirts and athletic shoes are among the items that can be donated. Items can be donated to all Area IV Chapels, including the 19th TSC chaplain's office and the Cross Cultural Training Center at Camp George. Donations will be accepted only during regular duty hours. For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Richard J. Bendorf at 764-5455 or your unit's chaplain's office.

Embassy Reps in Busan

Officials from the U.S. Embassy will be in Busan 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. May 27-28 to offer passport, voting, federal benefits, immigration and other services to American citizens. They will be at the American Corner of the Busan Metropolitan Simin Municipal Library. For more information, call American Citizen Services at the U.S. Embassy in Seoul at 02-397-4383 or visit the Embassy's website at www.asktheconsul.org.

Enlisted Dining-In

The inaugural Area IV Enlisted Dining-In will be held 6 p.m. May 27 at the Daegu Grand Hotel. For more information, call Command Sgt. Maj. Tony Moore at 768-8700.

Area IV Soldier a run, ruck champ

By Pfc. Oh Dong-keun

Area IV Public Affairs Office

CAMP CARROLL – One Area IV Soldier has proven that "making tracks" is more than just a saying by leading the 2004 8th Army Bataan Death March team to first place in the grueling international competition, then going on to win this year's 8th Army Marathon.

Paul Lancaster, headquarters platoon sergeant and operations non-commissioned officer in charge, 293rd Signal Company, 36th Signal Battalion, Camp Carroll, led the 8th Army team to victory in the men's military heavy category. The five-member team, each carrying 35-pound rucksacks, completed the course in 5:36.06.

The competition, held March 21, at White Sands, N.M., is an annual event. This year's edition drew 3,250 participants from 15 countries.

"From Korea, they sent three five-person teams," Lancaster said. "A men's, a women's and a unit team from Camp Humphreys. I met my team for the first time at the qualifier held at Camp Casey, and next time I saw them was when we flew to the states for the race, except for Capt. James Martin (728th Military Police Company, Camp Walker) who runs with me once in a while."

Even though the team was unable to train together in advance, they quickly jelled when it came time to hit the road.

"To compete in this kind of a race, it takes teamwork up to a certain point, but as long as everybody is on the same sheet of music, we can adjust the pace as we move," Lancaster said. "So my job as the captain was to set the pace and make sure everyone stays together. If everybody doesn't stay together within the distance where I can see you, the team is disqualified."

"The history behind this event is that they didn't leave anybody behind in World War II. So that's what they really try to preach (at the event). They want you to stay together and help each other through it."

The Bataan Death March took place when approximately 70,000 U.S. and Filipino soldiers, commanded by U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Edward P. King, formally surrendered to the Japanese on



PHOTO BY GALEN PUTNAM

Paul Lancaster and his passenger, 21-month-old daughter Angie, warm up for the Family Advocacy and Fitness Program's 5K Fun Run Saturday at Camp Walker.

April 9, 1942. The prisoners were forcibly marched with little food, water or rest to a prison camp more than 60 miles away. Approximately 10,000 allied troops perished during the march.

Lancaster says he is just a runner. He didn't do much to prepare for the march other than running two to three times a day and going on a couple of test marches.

"If you are a runner, you have an advantage over everyone else, just because your cardiovascular capability is so good," Lancaster said. "So I just went on a couple of road marches just to make sure the rucksack is comfortable. Other than that, I am just strictly a runner who threw a rucksack on his back and went."

Lancaster, 29, says his running career began when he was in high school.

"Originally I liked playing soccer, but I was pretty small, only about 5 foot 2 inches, maybe 87 pounds," said Lancaster. "One day, the cross-country coach came to me and told me 'hey,

come run.' So I started running, and I was pretty good from the beginning."

He went on to run one year for Buffalo State University then he ran for New York State University-Fredonia. He was selected for the All-Army track team in 1997 and 2000 competing in the 5,000-and-10,000-meter events.

This is Lancaster's third tour in Korea and with his work, training and competition schedule, it has been a busy one.

"I won last year's 8th Army Half Marathon, last fall and I was the captain of the 8th Army 10-Miler Team (that competed in Washington D.C.), this spring," Lancaster said.

More recently, Lancaster won the 2004 8th Army Marathon, held April 24 at Camp Casey. He won with a record time of 2:51.36.

Besides competing in military events, Lancaster also participates in Korean races and marathons.

"I do a lot of Korean races also because I look for more competition," he said. (Next weekend) I will be running at the Chuncheon half marathon. I have also run in the Busan marathon. Last year, I think I ran in six Korean races." Lancaster finished in the top five at each outing.

Lancaster feels that the support he receives for his running has been exceptional.

"Korea is a good place to be for Army athletes regardless of the sport because the support that we get is just unbelievable," Lancaster said. "Last year, for the Army 10-miler team and for this year's Bataan Death March team, the 8th Army decided to spend a serious amount of money. That goes to show how much support we 8th Army athletes get from our chain of command."

Besides running, Lancaster is also a competitive golfer. He says he is getting ready for the Area IV Golf Tournament May 20 – 21, where he hopes to advance to yet another 8th Army title.

"I think he is a fine-tuned athlete," said Tom Corcoran, Area IV sports director. "I have raced against him in a triathlon. I saw him at the beginning of the race, and next time I saw him, he was waiting for me at the finish line."

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Story by Galen Putnam

Area IV Public Affairs Office

CAMP WALKER – One of the peninsula's most unique units welcomed a new leader as Lt. Col. Donald Andrew "D.A." Lannom assumed command of the Defense Logistics Agency Pacific – Korea from Lt. Col. Thomas S. Schorr Jr. in a change of command ceremony held May 7 at Camp Walker.

Lannom has been the senior logistics planner for the Defense Logistics



Lannom

Agency Pacific – Korea since May 2003.

Schorr will become commander of the Lake City Army Ammunition Plant in Independence, Mo.

Lannom graduated from the University on Missouri - Rolla in 1986 where he received a Regular Army commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Upon entering active duty in 1987, he was assigned to the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kan, where he served as a rifle platoon leader, plans and operations officer, company executive officer, and battalion adjutant for the 2nd Battalion, 16th Infantry, culminating in his deployment to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq during Operation Desert Storm.

He has served in a variety of command and staff positions including
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He serves as an off-post housing liaison between the local community and incoming personnel. Lee has provided an array of services to ensure personnel have a smooth and comfortable transition into the community.

Nam is the Daegu Health College dean and has initiated numerous events through the college and her professional affiliations to improve Korean and American relations. Some of her activities include organizing students to help U.S. Soldiers with the Typhoon Maemi clean up, sponsoring a Korean language course at the college for Soldiers and 50 U.S. Soldiers to attend the 30th Anniversary Korean-American Partnership Association Celebration.

Pak, president of People-to-People from June 2002 to December 2003, sponsored numerous cultural and social activities for U.S. Soldiers. As an original

member of the Daegu Commander's Advisory Council, he organized a speaking engagement for Col. James M. Joyner, Area IV Support Activity commander, with Daegu Health College students. During his tenure, People-to-People provided financial support for the 20th Support Group's five-day English Camp for Daegu high school students.

Lee is the principal of Seokjeon Middle School in Waegwan. He championed a partnership with the 23rd Chemical Battalion involving Soldiers teaching his students English and his staff teaching Korean language to Soldiers. The program received national-media coverage.

Yi is a volunteer at the Camp Carroll Housing Office and has contributed more than 800 hours since April 2003. He maintains and updates the available off-post housing and landlord database. He also

serves as a liaison between prospective tenants and landlords.

The Korean Veterans Association Gyeongsangbuk-do Chapter has more than 420,000 members. It has been actively involved with Camp Carroll since 1997.

The Korean Veterans Association's donation resulted in the construction of the Hill 303 Monument. The Korean Veterans Association also funded the travel expenses for the three remaining survivors of the Korean War's Hill 303 massacre to attend the dedication ceremony.

Each of the recipients received a framed "Good Neighbor Award" certificate, which depicts the Don Stivers Korean War print, "We Go Together." The award also includes a commemorative 19th Theater Support Command Good Neighbor coin.

"While these awards (Good Neighbor)

are presented for this year, the honorees have been long-time and even lifetime supporters of not only the U.S. Army in Daegu, but also the Republic of Korea and United States alliance," Joyner said. "Our alliance is what it is today in no small part because of their dedication and generous contributions."

Camp Hialeah's Good Neighbor Award recipient 2003, Wang Sang-eun, was presented USFK Good Neighbor Award in Seoul May 4. He has been the Korean American Friendship Association president since 1982.

Camp Hialeah will hold its Good Neighbor Awards Reception May 28.

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battalion adjutant and company commander in the 506th Forward Support Battalion, Fort Wainwright, Alaska; petroleum officer for the 13th Corps Support Command and battalion executive officer of the 15th Forward Support Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Prior to his posting to Korea, Lannom served as the logistics officer of the 64th Corps Support Group deployed to Kuwait and Iraq in support of the 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Lannom's military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Airborne School, the Quartermaster Officer Advanced Course, the Combined Arms Service

Staff School, and the Command and General Staff College.

The St. Louis, Mo., native received his undergraduate degree in petroleum engineering and Master's of Science degrees in engineering and construction management and petroleum management from the University of Alaska at Fairbanks.

Lannom's awards include the Bronze Star Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and others. He has also earned the Combat Infantry and Parachutist Badges.

The mission of the Defense Logistics Agency Pacific - Korea is to serve the war fighter as the Defense Logistics Agency focal point within the Pacific Theater and directly support the Defense Logistics Agency mission by providing customer assistance, war planning interfaces and logistics solutions to the Pacific Command combatant commander, sub unified commands and service components.

The Defense Logistics Agency Pacific was forward positioned on the Korean peninsula in 1999.

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Cpl. Ko Chang-hyun, who is teaching Korean language and English as a Second Language classes at Army Community Service, was named the KATUSA Volunteer of the Year.

Myong O. Baltish is the Civilian Volunteer of the Year. She volunteered 452 hours at the Apple Blossom Cottage.

Lee Tae-yoon, who logged 1,078 hours at the Installation Housing Office, is the Local National Volunteer of the Year.

"I didn't do it (volunteer) for an award," Murphy said. "What matters isn't the amount of time you donate, It's the difference you make with the time you donate."

Beside the primary awardees, other volunteers were honored as well.

Volunteer of the Year nominees Donald Wilson, a volunteer for the Information Management Office, Chong Chae-young, a volunteer for the fitness center, and Ahn Jae-sam, a tae-kwon-do instructor for 23rd Chemical Battalion, were recognized for their contributions.

Also, all volunteers who contributed 100 hours or more received crystal apples.

There are 67 volunteers working on Camp Carroll.

"We have volunteers all over the community, anywhere the manager comes to us and asks for extra help," Jackson said. "Volunteers are special people. They don't do the job just because they want paycheck," she continued, "They have a true love and a true caring and a true commitment. No amount of money can pay for that."

"Tonight we're not going to be satisfied with simply celebrating volunteerism; we will collectively acknowledge the tremendous contributions made by you, the volunteers on our installations, to our

community on a daily basis," said Col. James M. Joyner, Area IV Support Activity commander. "Many of the programs and activities provided for our community would not be possible were it not for your selfless service."

In Daegu, 662 volunteers contributed 50,861 volunteer hours that, at a rate of \$16.54 per hour, would have generated \$841,241 in savings for the command.

Volunteers of the Year were recognized in four categories including local national, Soldier, civilian and youth.

The Local National Volunteer of the Year is Kim Jae-chul who contributed more than 1,800 volunteer hours at the Camp Henry Auto Craft Shop during the past 13 months.

The Soldier Volunteer of the Year is Sgt. John Harmon from the 19th Theater Support Command Computer Systems Division, who teaches English to Korean children, helped with Typhoon Maemi clean-up efforts in Daegu City and has participated in a variety of other volunteer activities.

"I basically dedicate my Saturdays and Thursday nights to volunteering," he said. "I enjoy it a lot. It is fun for me because I learn a lot about the Korean language and customs."

The Civilian Volunteer of the Year is Suk hyun Plumley, who has contributed to a variety of organizations including the Taegu Spouses Association, the Apple Tree Gift and Thrift shop, Taegu Trident Swim Team Booster Club, Taegu American School, the Girl Scouts and many others.

The Youth Volunteer of the Year is Alex Kubas, who is active in church and school activities as well as the Boy Scouts among other endeavors.

"Volunteering runs in the family. I get it from my

parents," said Kubas, an eighth-grader at Taegu American School. "I like volunteering and helping other people. It feels good to know you are doing something to help other people and not just yourself."

In addition, 19 Daegu organizations recognized their Outstanding Volunteers of the Year. Recipients include:

- Army Community Service – Karin Puffenberger
- Apple Tree and Thrift Shop – Hanna Zitniak
- American Red Cross – Son Ki-sook
- Boy Scouts – Peter Kubas
- Community Rec. Division – Hyon Seoung-hoon
- Child Development Center – Lee Jin-hwa
- Catholic Parish – Marie Adkins
- Multicultural Gospel Congregation – Willie Bradley
- Family Life Center – Hye-kyong Raab
- Girl Scouts – Kendra Clifton
- Taegu Spouses Association – Terri Bush
- Taegu American School – Ronald Huber
- Taegu International Women's Association – Vivienne Fosburgh
- Youth Services – Dale Jones
- Legal Services – Maria Rodriguez
- Taegu Trident – Son-mi Motoyama
- Parent Advisory Council – Sue Reiley
- TAS PTO – Michaela Cannon
- DPW/Housing Office – Kim Ji-hye

"Some people are highlighted over and over and we wanted to be sure this year to recognize those who are in the shadows," said Vicki Kingston, installation volunteer coordinator. "Everyone should be recognized for their efforts."

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