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2ID takes aim on human trafficking

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This is the second of a two-part series on prostitution and human trafficking which ran in the Indianhead in October 2004. Many of the Soldiers interviewed have PCSed to another duty assignment.

Respect is one of the seven Army values. Human trafficking ignores basic human dignity, is incompatible with Army values, and is against what the Army stands for.

The 2nd Infantry Division's stance on human trafficking and prostitution has toughened up along with South Korea's anti-prostitution and human trafficking laws.

Human trafficking is a worldwide problem that supports prostitution. Human trafficking is illegal in South Korea as well as other Southeast Asian countries. It thrives, in part, because some acts by Soldiers can encourage the human trafficking trade.

"Activities such as prostitution provide the demand for women," said Lt. Col. Scott Rainey, 2nd Inf. Div. Equal Opportunity officer.

According to the U.S. Department of State, South Korea is a source transit and destination country for women trafficked for sexual exploitation. Victims come from mainly Southeast Asia, particularly the Philippines and Thailand, along with some from China, Russia, Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan.

Women often come to South Korea on entertainer visas and are forced to work as prostitutes in bars and private clubs.



Courtesy photo

Human trafficking is the third largest illegal trade behind drug smuggling and gun running.

South Korean women are also trafficked abroad in Japan and the U.S.

Human traffickers indirectly entice most of these young women by offering jobs such as hostesses, singers or models, Rainey said.

These offers and promises are made by agencies that offer temporary manpower to potential employers in South Korea. Most of these agencies are legitimate under the eyes of the law, he added.

"Once they come in country, that's when it starts getting underhanded," he said.

Once the women fly into the country, their IDs and passports are often withheld from them.

They are also made to sign contracts between them and their employers, he said.

These contracts may state how much the women owe to their employers, which in almost all cases is impossi-

ble to pay back, Rainey said.

"They are kept in a debt bondage," he said. "They are not free to leave and terminate that contract. If they did, they would be walking out ... most often without their passports or IDs."

In most cases, the only possible way out of this servitude is to buy out the contract. In the past, some Soldiers have bought out the women's contracts in hopes of marriage.

But, unbeknownst to them, they have committed an illegal act.

"I don't think we understand the depth of the problem," Rainey said. "There's no way of knowing how many contracts have been purchased. Purchasing a contract is illegal. It is human trafficking, regardless of what your motivation is. Just the exchange of money for

Human Trafficking Facts

*Every 10 minutes, a woman or child is trafficked into the U.S. for forced labor.

*Men are also trafficked into forced labor in agriculture, restaurants and many other unregulated industries.

*Human trafficking has become a \$9 billion a year global industry.

*Human trafficking is increasing activity of organized crime.

*There are about 27 million people around the world living in slavery today.

*Human trafficking is the third largest illegal trade after drug smuggling and gun running.

Editor's Note: Facts obtained from worldrevolution.org

IDs and passports is in fact a form of human trafficking."

U.S. Forces Korea and the South Korean government are taking unprecedented steps to abolish this modern-day slavery.

The Warrior Division is working hand-in-hand with the local Korean authorities

to eliminate the trade.

"We are very active with our command presence, especially in areas known in the past to offer sex for money," said Maj. Kenneth Tauke, 2nd Inf. Div. Deputy Provost Marshal.

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Comedy ROK humors CRC Soldiers

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VOICE OF THE WARRIOR:

If you could be in any other MOS, what would it be? Why?



"A 91W (medic) because you can help other Soldiers in need."

Pfc. Ann Christopherson
B Det., 509th PSB

"I'd be an Apache attack helicopter repairer. I like helicopters."

Spc. Jose Alfaro
AFN-Casey



"I would be a 31D (CID). I want undercover experience."

Spc. Chelsey Yates
HQ, 2ID



"I would be a photographer so I could go out and capture the moment."

Pfc. Jae Layton
501st CSG



"Aviation. It's interesting to see things so big fly."

Pvt. Kenneth Young
HQ, 2ID

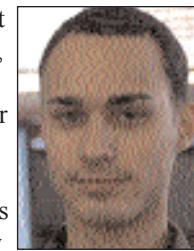


BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Difference makers not so celebrated

By Spc. Chris Stephens

Editor



We have all heard the stories of Martin Luther King Jr., Jackie Robinson, Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman and Booker T. Washington.

No doubt each of these people deserve a place in history. They each fought for a cause and ultimately changed the face of our nation.

But, I want to take a look at some African-Americans who don't receive headlines like those above. These people have also made an important contribution to history. They're just not as widely known as they should be.

Sgt. William H. Carney was the first African-American to receive the Medal of Honor. He was awarded it for his actions on July 18, 1863 at Fort Wagner, S.C. while he was a member of the 54th Massachusetts Regiment in the Civil War.

During the battle, Carney noticed that the man carrying the American flag was wounded. So Carney bravely rescued the flag and carried it for him.

He delivered it safely to his regiment and reportedly shouted, "Boys, the old flag never touched the ground."

The movie *Glory* depicts the struggles and hardships members of the 54th endured during the Civil War.

Although it doesn't exactly point Carney out, it depicts the battle at Fort Wagner and shows the sacrifices the men of the 54th made for freedom.

Next, is Benjamin O. Davis Jr. - the first African-American to graduate from West Point Military Academy.

While at West Point, Davis was shunned for four years, meaning other cadets would only

speak to him for official reasons. He had no roommate and ate his meals in silence. Those who caused this shunning had hoped to drive Davis from the Academy, but their actions only made him more determined to succeed.

He graduated 35th out of 276 in the Class of 1936. Upon graduating, he became one of only two black line officers in the U.S. Army at the time - the other was his father, Benjamin O. Davis Sr., who was also the first

African-American to attain the rank of general.

The younger Davis was also the commander of the 332nd Fighter Group during World War II.

While based in Italy, the group flew over 200 bomber escort missions. Through all of the missions, the 332nd never lost one bomber to enemy fire. The movie *The Tuskegee Airmen* follows a group of pilots as they begin pilot training in Tuskegee, Ala., all of the way up to their bomber escort missions into Nazi Germany.

Daniel Hale Williams is another African-American who made history.

On July 9, 1893, James Cornish was injured in a bar fight, stabbed in the chest with a knife.

By the time he was transported to Provident Hospital (which Williams established two years earlier) he was getting closer and closer to death, having lost a great

deal of blood and having gone into shock.

Williams was faced with the choice of opening the man's chest and possibly operating internally which was almost unheard of in that day in age.

Internal operations were unheard of because any entrance into the chest or abdomen of a patient would almost surely bring with it resulting infection and therefore death.

Williams made the decision to operate and opened the man's chest. He saw the damage to his pericardium (sac surrounding the heart) and sutured it, then applied anti-septic procedures before closing his chest.

Fifty-one days later, James Cornish walked out of Provident Hospital completely recovered and would go on to live for another 50 years.

These are only three of a handful of African-Americans who created history in our country. There are so many more people who did some famous firsts.

Some like, Vanessa Williams who became the first African-American Miss America in 1984; Hattie McDaniel who was the first African-American to receive an Oscar for her supporting role in *Gone With the Wind*; or Thurgood Marshall who was the first African-American to sit on the Supreme Court.

Many more made contributions that have helped make our country what it is today.

Editor's Note: Join others from around the 2nd Infantry Division as we celebrate Black History Month at a luncheon at 7 p.m. Feb. 25 at Reggie's on Camp Stanley.

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Division honors top KATUSA Soldiers

By Pfc. Yoo, Je Hoon

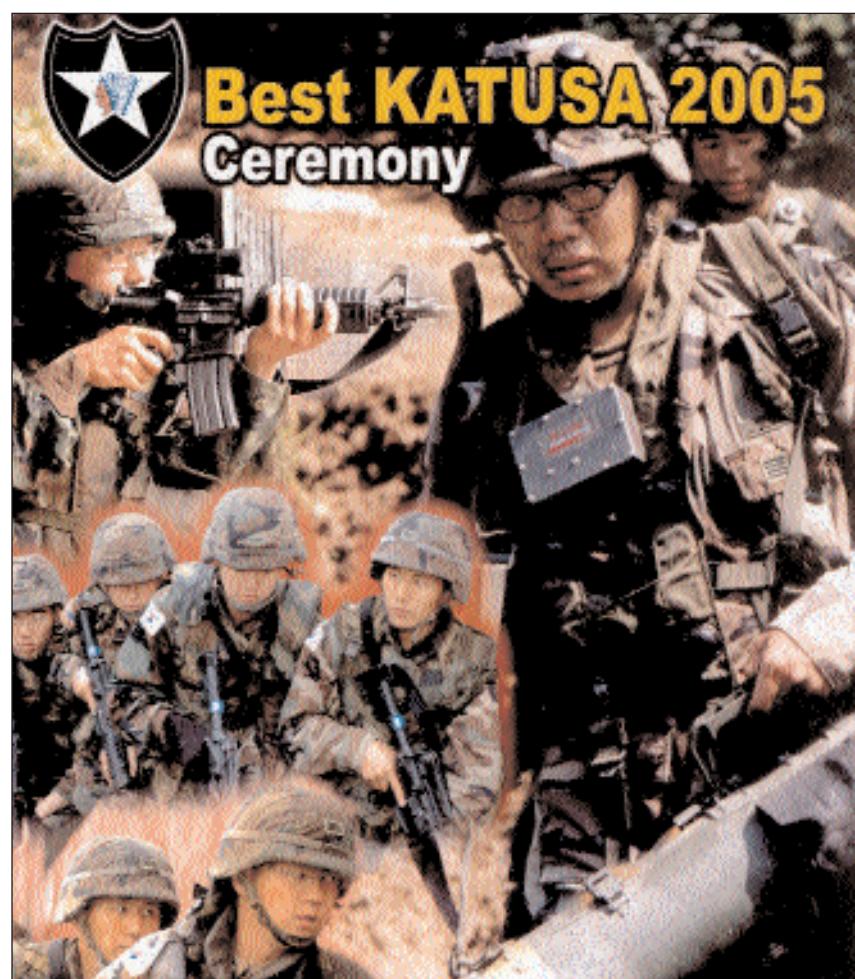
KATUSA Editor

CAMP RED CLOUD - The KATUSA Program, which augments Republic of Korea Army Soldiers to the U.S. Army, started in July 1950.

Since the cease-fire of the Korean War, KATUSA Soldiers have remained a part of U.S. Forces Korea to help improve performance on missions. Since the program commenced, more than 250,000 KATUSA Soldiers have served in the 2nd Infantry Division.

The main purpose of the KATUSA program is to deploy ROK Soldiers into USFK and to strengthen the combined defense of two countries on the Korean peninsula. The program is also understood as a promise to prevent war on the peninsula as well as the symbol for the friendship between the two countries.

The Best KATUSA Ceremony for 2005 was held at Mitchell's Jan. 23. During the ceremony, the division's top leaders participated, including Division Commander, Maj. Gen. George A. Higgins, Division Command Sergeant Major, Command Sgt. Maj. James A. Benedict, Lt. Col. Kim, Sung Jung, the 2ID Area ROKA commander, and Command Sgt. Maj. Seo, Sung Ki, the 2ID Area ROKA Command Sgt.



Maj. Moreover, Col. Lee, Yong Il, ROKA Support Group commander, and Gen. Paik, Sun Yeop participated as well.

This annual event brought together

the best of the division's KATUSA Soldiers to enjoy their time with their families on post.

The 30 Soldiers who were selected as the Best KATUSAs walked up to

the stage to receive their citations and medals from Higgins and Kim.

"I would like to thank Major General Higgins and Command Sergeant Major Benedict for looking after the KATUSAs," Kim said. "The KATUSAs represent the ROK Army and they are the military diplomats. I know the Best KATUSA awardees will keep up the work."

"I would like to thank the ROKA Support Group and senior officers in 2ID Area ROKA Staff who worked hard to prepare this event," Kim said. "It is my honor to work with such bright Soldiers."

"I am honored to be selected as one of the Best KATUSAs," said Cpl. Jo, Ki Bong, Headquarters, 2nd Inf. Div.

Jo has good relationship with his fellow U.S. Soldiers and he usually spends time with them after duty hours.

"I always tried my best to help my U.S. Soldier friends to understand the Korean culture better," said Sgt. Jun, Jung Min, 6th Battalion, 37th Field Artillery Regiment. "It is a great honor to be one of the best KATUSAs in the division. I want to thank all of my fellow KATUSAs for giving me such an honor."

"I would like to praise all of the KATUSAs who are serving in 2ID, for the safety they provide on the Korean peninsula," Kim said. "The KATUSAs are the true representatives of young men in the Republic of Korea."

Pedestrian safety: A dull story until someone gets hurt

Area II Public Affairs Office

YONGSAN GARRISON - Pedestrian safety may sound like a dull story to some, but the subject assumes a new dimension after accident.

"Unfortunately, it sometimes takes a tragic event to make us more aware," said Area II Safety Officer Jeff Hyska following a recent news story that a 2nd Infantry Division Soldier had been struck by a car in a pedestrian crosswalk near Camp Casey and was in critical condition.

Eighth U.S. Army Safety Alert 06-02 issued Jan. 24 states that two incidents occurred within a week in which servicemembers were struck by motor vehicles while attempting to cross the street in the vicinity of Camp Casey's main gate.

"Crossing public streets in Korea can be challenging at

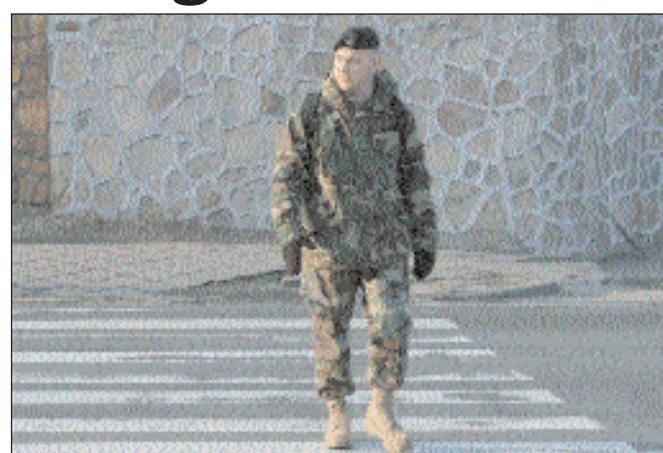


Photo by Spc. Chris Stephens
Looking both ways prior to crossing the street helps ensure your awareness of cars from both directions.

times," according to the safety bulletin, which offers these tips to prevent becoming a statistic.

"The number one goal should be to avoid getting hit in the first place. The clear way to avoid pedestrian accidents is by stopping at crosswalks where motor vehicles have the right-of-way. If there is any doubt as to who has the right-of-way, yield anyway to the motor vehicles.

"Obey the law and stay alert. Don't become a victim of a motor vehicle collision whether a pedestrian or on a bicycle."

The walk signal and the green traffic light indicates that it's your turn to cross the street, but they do not mean that it is actually safe to cross. The walk signal and the green light mean look first and then, if it's safe, go.

Soldiers remember MLK sacrifices

By Pvt. Kim, Sang Pil
Staff Writer

CAMP RED CLOUD - A ceremony and luncheon remembering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., an awardee of the Nobel Peace Prize and a civil rights activist who was assassinated, was held at the C.G.'s Mess Jan. 18.

Throughout the ceremony there was a slide show showing pictures and works of Dr. King accompanied by a recording of his infamous 'I Have a Dream' speech.

During the prayer, Sgt. Paul Alexander acknowledged and showed appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the staff as evident by the quality service and fine food received.

"This has been done to remind us of the beacon of hope Dr. King was to the people of the United States and light that the United States is to the world," Alexander said.

Next, an essay on the life and works of King was recited by Chelsea Meyer, a ninth-grade student from the International Christian School, located in Uijongbu. Justice, equality and peace are dreams we all share," Meyer said.

For many Soldiers, Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a day off. However, Alexander sees it a little differently.

"This is a day on, not a day off for it is only when we remember and act that the Dream continues," Alexander said.

Tune your radio dial to 88.3/88.5 FM for 2ID Talk from 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays. To make a song request, call 730-6324.

Depression: Soldiers' hardest battle

By Pfc. Amanda Merfeld
Staff Writer

Not everyone wakes up every morning bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, grinning full of energy and joy they can't help but whistle.

As a matter of fact, not many people go to sleep at night with a content heart.

The truth is some people suffering from depression are barely able to drag themselves out of bed because of the emotionally crippling illness that often goes untreated and can do great damage to a person due to misdiagnosis and/or misunderstanding.

The symptoms vary from person to person, but if you feel down for an extended period of time, that is no longer just simple sadness, it

could be depression.

"Depression affects everybody," said Maj. Mark Awdykowyz, Area I Chaplain.

Depression is a psychological condition that changes how you think and feel, and also affects your social behavior and sense of physical well-being. We have all felt sad at one time or another, but that is not depression. Sometimes we feel tired from working hard, or

discouraged when faced with serious problems. This too, is not depression.

These feelings usually pass within a few days or weeks, once we adjust to the stress. But, if these feelings linger, intensify and begin to interfere with

work, school or family responsibilities, it may be depression.

"People struggling to control their emotions often make the mistake of misguiding their energy to change what they think is the problem. People try to change the environment instead of changing themselves," Awdykowyz said.

"People try to change the environment instead of changing themselves."

*Maj. Mark Awdykowyz
Area I Chaplain*

chemicals may be necessary. When depression is properly treated,

almost 80 percent of the people treated significantly improved their lives.

A serious loss, ailment, relationship or financial problems, work stress, family crisis or any other unwelcome life change can trigger a depressive episode, but

learning to accept and to adapt is key to mental well-being.

"Behind every emotion is a belief system," Awdykowyz said. "Because you believe that your boss should compliment you every day, you expect to be complimented. When you go to work and your boss doesn't compliment you, you have been let down and may

become angry or depressed.

"Anger is explosive, depression is more like a tightly wound spring," Awdykowyz said. "You need to recognize that you are depressed, and expand your thinking to things that are positive. Identify and eliminate roadblocks to overcoming depression. Talk about it with trusted friends and decrease your isolated periods by becoming involved in healthy activities with others.

"Visit the TMC to correct possible chemical imbalances and meet with a nutritionist to evaluate if your diet is a contributing factor," he said. "Go see mental health, go see the Chaplain. Do things that are within your control and learn to deal with things that are not."

Warrior News Briefs

Job Opening

The Office of the Commanding General is looking for an NCO to fill the role of Executive Administrative NCO at Camp Red Cloud.

The position is open to Soldiers in the grade of E-6, whose time in grade doesn't exceed five years, or E-7 in the primary MOS of 42A or 42L. Interested Soldiers must be able to report by March 1, have at least 12 months left remaining in country or be willing to extend to meet time requirement, have a security clearance and have no recent UCMJ or any type of derogatory action.

All interested Soldiers must also submit two NCOERs and ERB to CG's Office, as well as set up an interview with the Commanding General.

For more information, call 732-8872.

Bataan Memorial Death March Qualifier

The 2006 Eighth U.S. Army Bataan Memorial Death March Qualifier will be held Feb. 18 at the Camp Carey Fitness Center.

This event is a qualifying event for the team that will represent 8th Army at the Bataan Memorial Marathon Road March at White Sands Missile Range, N.M.

Registration will be held from 6 to 8:15 a.m., with the competition scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m.

Requirements include BDUs, a minimum 35-lb. pack. Rucksacks, hi-tech boots and camel backs are authorized. For more information, call Jim Williams at 730-6919.

Vocalist Needed

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

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

For more information, call 732-6695.

Tax Assistance

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

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

For more information, call Capt. Erin Delevan at 730-1885.

Legal Corner ... A quick divorce may be no divorce at all

By Capt. Patrick Gregory
Casey Legal Center

CAMP CASEY - Separation and divorce can cause great emotional and financial turmoil, and often the legal system seems to make the process more difficult than necessary.

Uncontested divorces in many states can take six months or longer. Therefore, people have demanded a way around the system. Since supply will always meet demand, a number of companies run ads promising quick divorces. For a significant fee, these companies will offer divorces through foreign countries such as the Dominican Republic, Mexico and U.S. territories such as Guam.

The idea sounds simple: one or both parties hire an attorney to handle their divorce. The judge grants the proxy that arrives in the mail within a few days.

The problem is that the quick divorce may be no divorce at all. While state courts are not required to recognize a foreign proxy, they usually will if certain requirements are met. For example, one requirement is that at least one of the parties was an actual resident of the country that granted the divorce. Sending mail to, visiting or hiring an attorney in a foreign country does not meet residency require-

ments. Thus, most state courts will reject 'mail order' foreign divorces.

Some states require residency requirements and giving the other party legal notice of the proceeding with an opportunity to respond. Other state courts will recognize a foreign divorce if one party was physically present in the foreign country when the divorce was granted. However, both parties have to agree to be divorced by the foreign court. Basically, most states are drafting their laws to prevent 'mail order' divorces.

Contrary to popular opinion, the U.S. Embassy will not certify a foreign divorce proxy. The embassy only certifies the judge's signature, which does not guarantee that state courts will accept the proxy. The embassy certifies that the proxy itself is genuine, not that the divorce is valid or was properly obtained. When children and/or marital property are involved, most state courts will resolve those issues before recognizing the foreign divorce.

So, before you get that quick 'mail order' divorce, remember that it still has to be recognized in the U.S. or it may only be good for administrative purposes. Until it is recognized, you should not remarry. Remember, there are two ways to do things in the military-do it right or do it again.

Cleanup on 350



Photo by Spc. Chris Stephens

1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team
Soldiers execute a little back-breaking good neighbor work at Twin Bridges Training Area near Paju City with some road cleanup on highway 350 after a brief warm spell, and two days of rain while conducting company and battalion level maneuver training.

Budgeting you and your family

By Spc. Chris Stephens
Editor

This is the second story in a seven-part series on financial health.

Everyone hates the "B" word. It's a bad word to them and they don't want to have anything to do with it. But, the "B" word is something everyone needs in order to avoid those impulse spending habits.

Yes, a budget is important. A budget helps you make your money work for you.

In Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, filling out a budget is put into terms that a child can understand.

According to Ramsey, most people hate the word budget for four reasons: It has a bread and water connotation, it has been used to abuse you, you never had a budget that worked or you have paralysis from fear of what we will find.

"Your budget probably won't work your first month," he says in his video. "Probably not the second month either. But, once you get to the third month, things start to fall into place, it starts to make sense and it actually starts to work. You have to be patient. It won't work overnight."

Ramsey provides three pages of anything and everything that your money could go to, i.e. giving, savings, car

payment(s), mortgage, taxes, credit card payment(s), health-care bills, clothing and food.

Now, the budget isn't designed to put you in a straightjacket over cash, it's designed to tell every dollar you make where it's going.

Ramsey says that many people get themselves in debt because they buy things they don't have money for. He makes a relatively easy suggestion that many people fail to follow. "Don't write a check until you have the money in the bank," he says in his video. "Don't assume that you'll get paid the next day and the money will be there. Businesses go bankrupt and people lose jobs everyday. The money is not guaranteed to be there until it is there."

Ramsey also sees a problem with ATM and debit cards.

"People tend to use them on impulse buys," he says. "That tends to put them further in debt. If they're not managed, a debit card is certain to become a budget buster."

A budget shows the reality of where a person is on paper. When filling out a budget, you put how much you have in take home pay and then put down how much you spend on different bills and buys. By using simple mathematics (or a calculator) you will be able to figure out what percentage of your pay you're using on certain items. A written plan, if

actually lived on, will show if you are overspending on a certain area and will remove much of the guilt, shame, and fear that may now be a part of buying necessities such as food and clothing.

"If you get paid \$1,000 a month, then buying a car with a \$500 per month payment is probably not a wise choice," Ramsey says. "Plus, not only are you paying the \$500 a month on the car, you're also paying insurance and gas, so you're looking at almost two-thirds of your monthly check just on your car. Now, can you eat and pay your other bills on just one-third of your paycheck? Probably not."

Ramsey believes that using an envelope system will help people stick to their budget.

"If you allocate \$200 to food per month, then take that money out of the bank and put it in an envelope," he says. "When you go grocery shopping or to a restaurant, just use the money out of the envelope. The same goes for clothing or any other items."

Ramsey also believes that paying for things in cash is better than using a debit or credit card.

"When you see yourself actually paying in cash instead of the card, then it tends to hurt a little more," he says. "By using the card, you don't actually see the money, so it doesn't affect you as much."

According to Ramsey,

recent surveys have concluded that over half of the divorces in the U.S. are because of money.

"So, if more than half of divorces are because of money, then that means if you can take care of your finances, then you have a pretty good shot at having a marriage that works," he says.

Balancing your checkbook is another key ingredient to healthy financial management.

"If you don't balance your checkbook every time you write a check, you'll end up bouncing checks," Ramsey says. "And, with bounced checks come extra charges. A \$15 shirt can turn into a \$100 shirt with all of the fees that are added on for bounced checks. So, balance your checkbook and ensure you have enough money in your checking account before you buy something. A written plan, if lived on, will remove many of the bounced checks from your life, consequently removing a lot of stress."

Ramsey believes that if you make a commitment to your budget, things will work out. By sticking to the plan, you'll gradually get yourself out of debt and build wealth in the process as well. A written plan removes the 'management by crisis' from your finances. Managed money goes farther.

Movies

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 7 & 9 p.m., Sun. 6 & 8 p.m., Mon.-Tue. & Thur. 7 p.m.
Feb. 3 ... *Glory Road*
Feb. 4 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 5 ... *Derailed*
Feb. 6 ... *Walk the Line*
Feb. 7 ... *Just Friends*
Feb. 9-10 ... *Underworld: Evolution*
Feb. 11 ... *Syriana*
Feb. 12 ... *Ice Harvest*
Feb. 13 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 14 ... *In the Mix*
Feb. 16 ... *Annapolis*

Camp Casey

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Sun. 3, 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Mon.-Thur. 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 3-4 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 5-6 ... *Glory Road*
Feb. 7-8 ... *Just Friends*
Feb. 9-10 ... *Ice Harvest*
Feb. 11 ... *Syriana*
Feb. 12-13 ... *Underworld: Evolution*
Feb. 14 ... *Syriana*
Feb. 15-16 ... *In the Mix*

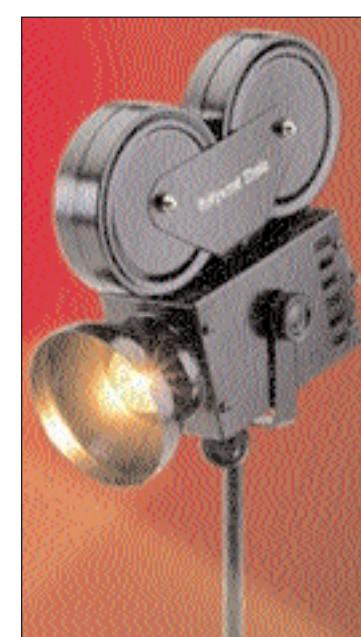
Camp Hovey

Show times: Mon. -Fri. 7 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 3 & 7 p.m.
Feb. 3 ... *Just Friends*
Feb. 4 ... *North Country*
Glory Road
Feb. 5 ... *Doom*
Just Friends
Feb. 6 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 7 ... *Glory Road*
Feb. 8 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 9-10 ... *Syriana*
Feb. 11 ... *The Fog*
Underworld: Evolution
Feb. 12 ... *Prime*
Feb. 12-13 ... *In the Mix*
Feb. 14 ... *Underworld: Evolution*
Feb. 15-16 ... *Ice Harvest*

Camp Humphreys

Show times: Mon. -Fri. 6:30 & 9 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 3:30, 6:30 & 9 p.m.
Feb. 3-5 ... *Glory Road*
Feb. 4-6 ... *Just Friends*
Feb. 7-8 ... *Aeon Flux*
Feb. 9 ... *Syriana*
Feb. 10-12 ... *Underworld: Evolution*
Feb. 11-12 ... *Yours, Mine and Ours*
Feb. 13-14 ... *Into the Mix*
Feb. 15-16 ... *Ice Harvest*

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



Exercise integrates new Airmen into operations

By Spc. Chris Stephens
Editor

CAMP RED CLOUD — Airmen from the 604th Air Support Operations Squadron participated in an exercise that helped test their communication capabilities, Jan. 23-27. The exercise was part of an overall 7th Air Force exercise.

Within the exercise, requests were sent through various channels of communication for requests of air support.

"We do this exercise to help our airmen understand what they will do during division exercises," said Capt. Jason Corrigan, Fighter Duty Officer.

Part of the exercise included training newly-arrived Airmen to Korea on their jobs during an exercise.

"We have a large turnover of people, so this exercise helps bring them up to speed," Corrigan said.

During the week-long exercise, airmen were at both North Star Range and CRC.

At North Star Range, Airmen set up equipment they would use during wartime.

"We support the fighter duty officer," said Tech. Sgt. Douglas W. Koethe. "We request emergency close-air support and act as a liaison between the Army and Air Force."

Another important aspect of

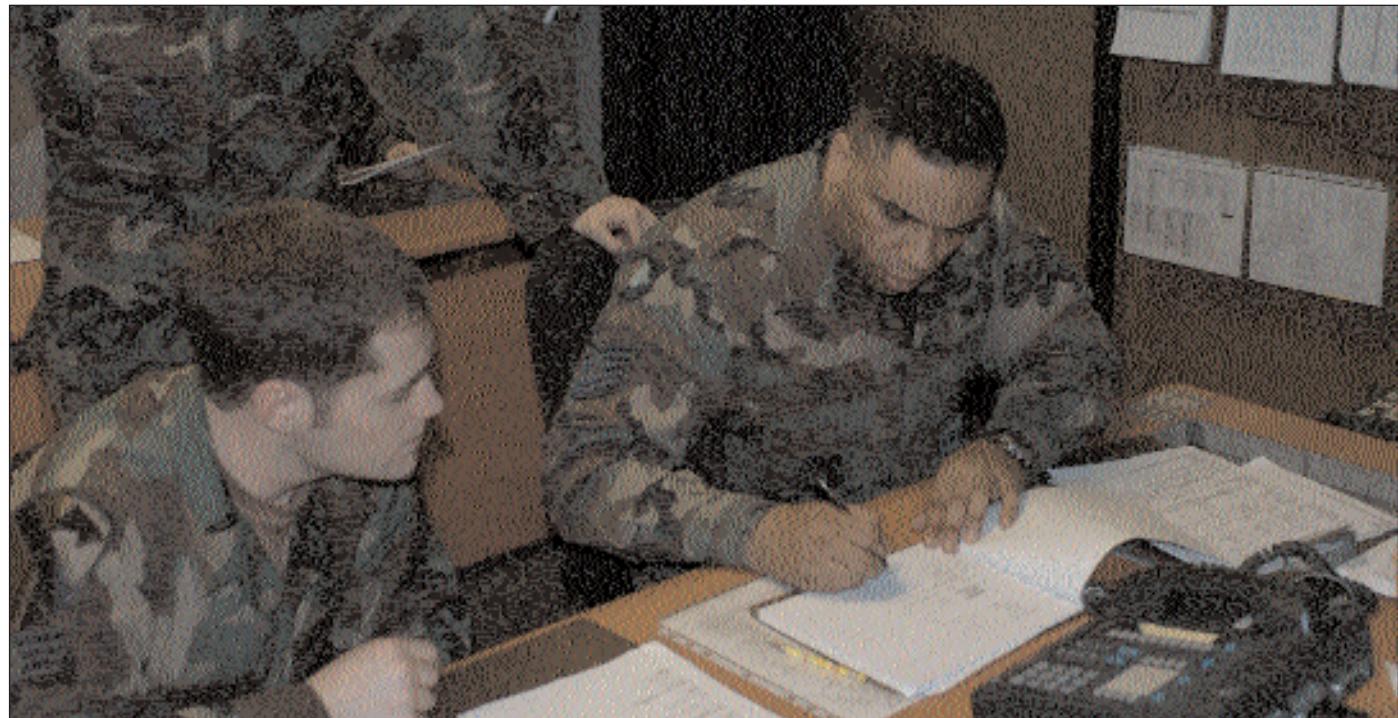


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Tech. Sgt. Phillip Bell Jr., right, checks over the log of Senior Airman Chris Komorek in the Air Support Operations Center, Jan. 24. The log includes a SALUTE report from the field. Once verified, the information is forwarded to the Flight Duty Officer.

the field site was to ensure everything was in good working order.

For Master Sgt. James Abshire, NCOIC, satellite wide-band telemetry shop, that meant establishing secure satellite communications.

"Having secure satellite communications is a vital link for the ASOC," he said. "Without it, it would just be a phone on the end of the desk."

When requests are made from the field, Airmen in the Air Support Operations Center log all information and pass it onto the FDO.

"We track everyone's movement and requests," said Senior Airman Matthew Arnold. "All of the information we receive will go to the pilots so they have it right there."

Information that goes into the log includes everything in a SALUTE report.

"It's important when we communicate with the field that we get all of the correct information," Arnold said. "One piece of wrong information could be disastrous. Good communication is the key element in all of this."



Courtesy photo
Airmen check generators to ensure each is fully functional at the field site at North Star Range.

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Office is also responsible for educating Soldiers about facts on human trafficking and prostitution. During "New Horizon's Day," the PMO is tasked to give a presentation to educate Soldiers about the truth behind prostitution and more importantly, human trafficking. "New Horizon's Day" is a semi-annual day-long stand-down of the entire Eighth U.S. Army used to conduct training focused on human trafficking and prostitution, sexual harassment, sexual assault and cultural awareness.

"We also raise awareness by providing information to company commanders and first sergeants to understand its importance so they can pass that on," Tauke said.

The division has mapped out a campaign plan designed to combat human trafficking and prostitution in the Division's area of operations.

The objective of the campaign plan is to develop a zero-tolerance culture, Rainey said.

A second objective is to eradicate



Courtesy photo

People who are trafficked are many times beaten by their owners, which leave scars for the rest of their lives.

Soldier participation in activities that directly or indirectly enable human trafficking and prostitution in the division's areas of operation, Rainey said.

The purpose of meeting these objectives is to enhance the Warrior division's combat readiness and to enforce the Army values.

"We cannot talk about treating

people with dignity and respect and then allow behaviors and activities that result in human slavery to exist in our midst," Rainey said.

"The goal is to find the targets and engage them fast."
Chief Warrant Officer Nathan Tierney
tactical operations officer

1-2 Aviation pilots shoot for Top Gun

Story and photos by
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RODRIGUEZ RANGE - A heavy cloak of steel grey clouds served as a ceiling for the hovering birds of prey carrying Gunfighters of the 1st Battalion, 2nd Aviation Regiment.

They flew effortlessly over the walled hills of the mountainous nest that held the targets for the floating Apache AH-64D helicopters.

After pilots received coordinates from a nearby tower, a target was engaged and fired upon using rockets from the Apache's Hydra-70 rocket system and 30 mm rounds from its M-230 cannon in order to 'Strike Deep.'

The gunnery exercise performed by Aviators was conducted Jan. 9-20 consisting of multiple tables per 12 engagements each table. The pilot who was the most successful at engaging the targets, choosing weapon systems and was most accurate with fire was named Top Gun at the conclusion of the exercise.

"The most important aspect of this training is

the ability to work without distractions that can occur in a garrison environment," said Chief Warrant Officer Nathan Tierney, battalion tactical operations officer.

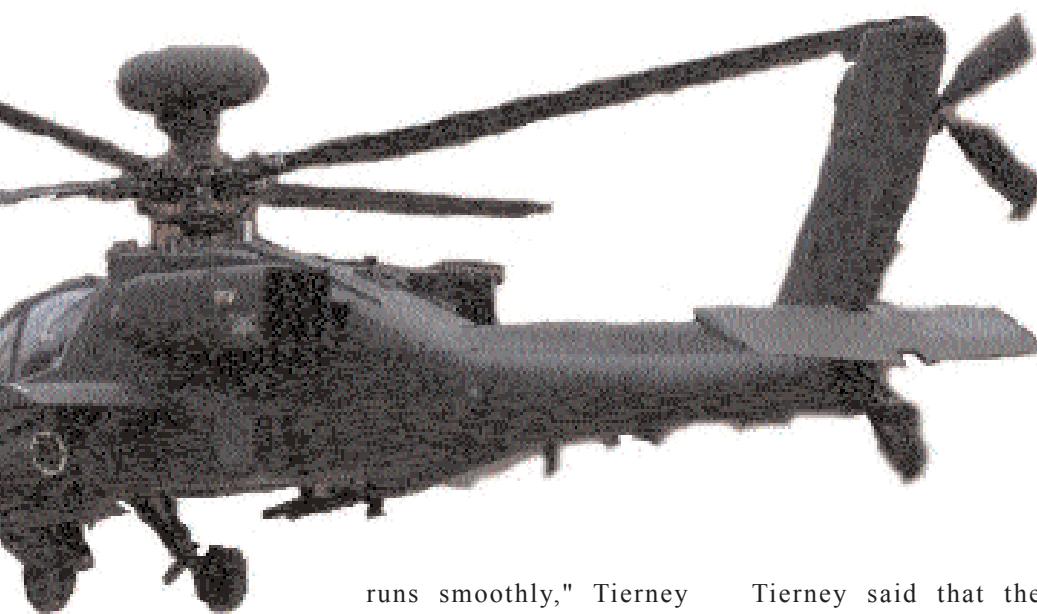
The pilots flew their Apaches from the Forward Area Refueling Point to the range area where they had to acquire the target, set their weapons and destroy the target. Once successfully engaged, the Apaches returned to the FARP where another Apache took its turn at the range targets.

Aviators returned to the operations center and underwent a review session as their performance was recorded and played for them on a large screen. They were graded on the speed in which they found the target, set their weapons and the accuracy of their fire.

These points were tallied at the end of the exercise and the pilot with the most points earned the Top Gun award.

"The goal is to find the targets and engage them fast," Tierney said.

Although most of the action took place outside and off the ground,



Gunfighters enjoyed an unlikely source of support outside the helicopters. Soldiers fresh from Advanced Individual Training were hard at work inside the operations center and were responsible for coordination and communications functions.

"This training is vital, not just for the pilots, but for everyone. We all have to troubleshoot so when in the field everything

runs smoothly," Tierney said.

"The most challenging aspect is safety. We're working day and night without accidents or spills. Being an infantry officer with an aviation regiment is good experience because logistics background will be important for my future," said 2nd Lt. Juan Viruet, a platoon leader with the Gunfighters. "We'll load and refuel anywhere between 16-20 Apaches per day."

Tierney said that the roles young Soldiers are filling are positions of noncommissioned officers. He elaborated by saying privates first class are training privates in order to keep operations running smoothly.

"The experience the younger Soldiers are receiving will help them down the road because when they go to other units they will be that much further ahead of their peers," Tierney said.



An Apache team prepares for takeoff for one of the many tables during the exercise. The pilot who was the most successful during their missions was named the Top Gun.



The rockets used in the AH-64D Apaches are a part of the Hydra-70 rocket system.



An Apache crew heads toward their targets during their gunnery exercise.

Comedy show humors CRC Soldiers

Story and photos by
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CAMP RED CLOUD — Soldiers at Mitchell's were treated to a howling good time Jan. 20 during a three-person comedy show.

Morale, Welfare and Recreation sponsored three comedians to come to Korea in order to entertain Soldiers. Deon Cole, Erika Edwards and Redbone certainly were not shy as no topic of conversation appeared to be taboo as they entertained a packed room with adult humor.

"I came to Korea basically just to bring some enlightenment to the Soldiers and work on my craft. I get to see Korea up close and to shop," Cole said.

Cole has been busy lately touring the U.S. on different comedy circuits and has appeared in cameo roles in movies such as *Barber Shop*.

"Right now we're doing a show called *Laffapalooza* with Jamie Foxx on Comedy Central," Cole said. "It's never the money, the money is not important at all. Just to go out and see people laugh at what you thought of is a high that you will never believe and for that to happen is crazy. Like Erika, who opened the show, she's a lawyer but she's doing comedy now."

Edwards opened with her own unique act, getting everyone in the room and at the bar

rolling and craving more jokes. Her comedy was based on her own personal history growing up in a bi-racial home and what it's like for a single woman on the dating scene. She is still a practicing lawyer, but said she prefers to perform for a larger crowd.

"Once it touches you, you're going to let go of whatever to conquer your dream. I even know doctors who quit their practice to do comedy, just to see people laugh," Cole said. "I'm a comedian, but I am also an analyst. I analyze everything and that's what makes a good comic. Anything that goes on you just soak up like a sponge. Anything somebody says, does, whatever I see I talk about it like today at the show as far as what I said about Korea."

Cole and the other performers made it a point to make jokes about Korea, knowing that what they experience while in country would be comparable to some of the Soldier's experiences.

"That's another reason I came over here, I just knew that I would come up with at least another 15 minutes of material," Cole said.

Redbone was the final act of the night. That is, if you don't count the partying the comedians did at Mitchell's after the show. The Soldiers did not go home without a few good laughs.

"It's hard to write, there are



Deon Cole entertains the Soldiers with his comedy at Mitchell's.



Redbone gets the Soldiers warmed up for his comedy routine by dancing around at the beginning.

Will 'the Bus' get first title in hometown?

By Spc. Chris Stephens
Editor

It's that time of year again - it's Super Bowl time. It matches the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Seattle Seahawks.

I can't say that I'm not surprised that both of these teams are playing in the big game. A lot of people thought the Indianapolis Colts would represent the AFC, and well, the NFC was a toss up all year.

There is a great story to the game this year as well. Jerome 'the Bus' Bettis will be making the start in what will most likely be his last NFL game. Detroit, where the Super Bowl is being played, is also his hometown. I know there are many people rooting for the Steelers just to see Bettis win his first Super Bowl title.

But, before everyone starts to hand the title to Pittsburgh, let's look at both teams strengths and weaknesses.

The Seahawks are coming into the game after manhandling the Carolina Panthers. The franchises first every Super Bowl trip has the entire city of Seattle excited.

The running game for the Seahawks is definitely strong. With NFL MVP Shaun Alexander getting the bulk of the carries, the Seahawks have ridden him throughout the year. His ability to find a hole in the line and get through it has made him one of the best players in the league.

The Seattle defense is also very good. A lot of people tend to look at the defense and say, 'Well, who do they have on defense?' And the truth is, I could name probably one or two players on the defense that are well

known, but that's exactly how the New England Patriots won three Super Bowls in four years. They were a no-name defense, and Seattle is the same way.

Now Pittsburgh on the otherhand is a team of great caliber. Their offense is clicking on all cylinders with Bettis, quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, and receivers Hines Ward and Antwaan Randle El.

The Steelers are able to do just about anything they want on offense. They're able to run the ball well and Roethlisberger is able to put the ball in any receivers' hands on the field. He's that gifted.

The Pittsburgh defense is a great defense as well. With their linebackers leading the way, the defense controls the field and forces the opposing team's quarterback to find is second,

third and fourth receivers.

If the Steelers' defense can control Seattle's running game early, look for them to force Seahawks' quarterback Matt Hasselbeck into some bad throws.

The Seattle defense will have to do just the opposite. They'll have to control the Steelers' passing attack.

The team whose defense can get a few stops will most likely come out on top.

With that said, it seems the Steelers are on a mission this year to get Bettis his first Super Bowl title, and it looks like they will stop at nothing to do so.

This game will be a good one, but I believe Pittsburgh is going to play just that much harder for Bettis.

Prediction: The Steelers will beat the Seahawks 27-23.