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302nd BSB medics fight, save lives during MASCAL

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Medics hurry to make last minute preparations as Chinook helicopters fly overhead, loaded with casualties. The Soldiers at the landing zone brace for impact as they await the influx of wounded Soldiers, civilians and enemy prisoners of war. It's moments like this for which these Soldiers train.

That's precisely what the Soldiers of Treatment Platoon, Charlie Company, 302nd Brigade Support Battalion rehearsed during a massive casualty, or MASCAL, exercise, which was part of 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team's Iron Focus training in January.

The exercise offered a unique opportunity for medical Soldiers to prepare for possible real-life emergencies they could face on the battlefield.

"MASCAL is an abundance of casualties coming from different locations overwhelming us," said Sgt. 1st Class Fredrick Williams, platoon sergeant for Treatment Platoon. "We're prepping these casualties to be evacuated to the next higher echelon of care, like a combat support hospital or a field hospital."

After the helicopters landed, casualties were loaded into M113 Armored Personnel Carriers or Light Medium Tactical Vehicle trucks. The vehicles then delivered the casualties to Charlie Med, Charlie Company's medical facility.

Outside the medical tent, Soldiers like Spc.



Casualties await care at Charlie Co., 302nd BSB's medical facility during a MASCAL exercise.

Alexander Finch, Treatment Platoon's senior combat medic, began setting up a triage. They did this to determine the medical priority of casualties, Finch said.

"The triage officer determines which patients will come inside and which ones come in first," said Capt. Norman E. Morris, division nurse for the

2nd Infantry Division. "The most seriously injured patients will come in first."

"Once inside, a doctor and a physician's assistant will ascertain what treatment needs to happen and what medication needs to be given," Morris said.

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1HBCT trains to be tough as Iron

Story and photo by
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Staff Writer

Keeping Soldiers aware and trained at all times is of utmost importance. With the attacks from unidentified enemies and civil unrest on the rise, Soldiers have to be prepared for anything.

The Iron Focus exercise for the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team helped test how the brigade will perform in these situations and what the troops may experience in a combat environment.

"We wanted to train and evaluate the most transformed units in the brigade," said Col. Chris Queen, 1HBCT commander.

These units, 4-7 Cavalry, 1st Brigade Special Troops Battalion and 302nd Brigade Support Battalion, underwent intensive evaluative training during the Iron Focus exercise.

A main point in the Iron Focus exercise was to reformat the techniques to suit the new needs of 1HBCT. This involved training the troops to



Soldiers from 1-72 Armor Regt. conduct an attack against opposing forces with an M1A1 Abrams.

work on a different level than they were typically used to. It also created another hurdle for the commanders as more personnel were attached to the units, and they had a smaller area to train in.

According to Queen, communications between all the different sections was also a challenge.

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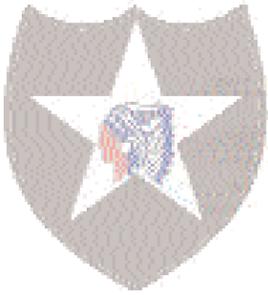
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VOICE OF THE WARRIOR:

Who will win Super Bowl XLI?



"Colts will beat the Bears 38-24."

Capt. Wilson Blythe
HHS, 6-37 FA

"Probably the Colts."

Sgt. Alex Pope
HHC, 2ID



"Bears all the way!"

Pfc. Justin Mosher
HHS, 6-37 FA

"Man, the Colts! The Colts are going to win!"

Spc. Kendrick Wells
HHSC, 2nd CAB



"I am just glad that we are getting a day off."

Pvt. Park, Eui Joon
HHSC, STB

"Colts will spank the Bears."

Pvt. Russell Donovan
HHSC, STB



Help stop ration control violations

By Maj. William Brooks

Chief, Customs Division
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United States Forces Korea Regulation 60-1, Ration Control Policy-Access to Duty-Free Goods, lists among others, the following two prohibitions:

- USFK Reg. 60-1 Chapter 7, Paragraph 7-2 b (1) states, "Personnel subject to the regulation will not ... purchase in excess of personal needs and the needs of authorized family members except for use as bona fide gifts as permitted by the SOFA and USFK Regs. 643-1 and 643-2."

What does this mean to you the person authorized to purchase items duty free in the Republic of Korea? It means simply that when you purchase items in excess of your needs then you are in violation of a lawful regulation. Examples of excess purchasing include going to the PX and purchasing three bottles of shampoo each day for a week or going to the commissary and buying 15 packages of hot dogs. It can also include purchasing baby formula when there are no infants in your family. Can you justify these purchases as within the limits of normal use? If not then you may be in violation of the rules and subject to losing your ration control privileges.

- USFK Reg. 60-1, Chapter 7, Paragraph 11-2 (b) (3) states, "Personnel subject to the regulation will not ... make multiple purchases in the same day from the same or different sales facilities for the purpose of circumventing established shelf limits or daily purchase limits."

We call this race tracking. This is when someone goes from one facility to another

in a circuit buying the same items to hide the fact that they are in excess of daily shelf limits and in violation of purchasing items in excess of personal needs. For example, visiting all the shoppettes on the installation and buying the two case limit of beer at each one. This conduct is a violation of ration control rules.

Customs and other law enforcement personnel are watching purchasing patterns to identify these patterns. Often, excess purchasing is an indicator of black market activity. Violators may suffer several penalties if charged with these violations. The penalties may range from oral reprimand to courts martial in the case of military members. In the case of family members or civilians they can range from warning letters, loss of ration control privileges, loss of driving privileges (if a vehicle was used), loss of command sponsorship, early return to the United States or being barred from all USFK installations. Any or all of these punishments may be applied based on the severity of the incident as determined by the area commander.

Excess purchasing deprives other members of the community access to goods that are intended for all in the community. Being overseas requires we work together to enjoy our tour and the small comforts of home that we enjoy while abroad. If you see violations of these policies report it to the Black Market Hotline at 738-5118 or send an e-mail to blackmarkethotline@korea.army.mil. When reporting please include date, time, facility, and a vehicle description with license number.



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Ajumma deploys; the story of field Snack Bar

Story and photo by
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Staff Writer

Being away from home is tough, but being away from the home away from home? Unimaginable. Second Infantry Division Soldiers face this inescapable situation when they're out in the field during an exercise. During the 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team exercise Iron Focus held in mid-January, Soldiers not only fought against their imaginary enemies but also the blistering cold and homesickness. When everything was about to fade to black, a mysterious smell approached them out of nowhere. The friendly smell of... yakimandoo!

"The famous Ajumma tent! Everybody loves Ajumma tent," said Pfc. Ilianna Salazar, an ammunition specialist from Alpha Company, 302nd Battalion Support Brigade, as she points to the big green tent not too far away from the billets. Inside the tent, picnic tables are set around the warm gas heater. On the other side, food is cooked by Ajumma, the Korean word meaning 'Mid-aged woman,' or more practically, 'Auntie.'

"When we go on an exercise, Ajumma is always there for us," added Salazar. "My favorite item? Probably cheese ramyon."

Ajumma tent offers various kinds of meals from a grilled ham and cheese sandwich to bulgoki rice. Some dishes are a bit costlier than off the street, such as the expensive \$7 dollar sweet and sour chicken with rice. But yakimandoo comes for a mere two bucks so the low budget snack endeavors are also welcome.

"I'm most happy when Soldiers enjoy the meal," said Park, Kum Ryo, the Ajumma of Geronimo TAC's Ajumma tent. "I can't imagine how hard it would be for them to stay away from home. I just wish they find peace and comfort in Korea while they stay."

It's been almost six years since Park and her husband, Lee, Eung Won, brought their service out to the field. Originally belonging to 4th Squadron, 7th Cavalry, they follow major exercises the battalion holds. When they are off-business, the couple goes back to their regular work, which is farming red peppers and other vegetables. Though the Ajumma tent is only a part-time job for them, the Lee's are professional at their trade. They've not

only completed a food sanitation training provided by 38th Medical Detachment, but also earned a Certificate of Appreciation from 4-7 Cavalry back in 2003.

However, due to the cold weather and Rodriguez Range being too far away for the winter drive, they decided to stay with GTAC for the first time. As most of the Soldiers at GTAC had never encountered an Ajumma tent before, it was quite a surprise.

"DFAC has good food, MREs aren't bad, but the Ajumma Tent gives

a different flavor," said Master Sgt. Calvin Coler, G3 Training sergeant major, GTAC, as he and other Soldiers sat around the table waiting for their meal. "Having a service like this could boost morale for Soldiers."

As the steaming hot food arrives, Soldiers enjoy the special dish even more in the field. "I love it," said Cpl. Alfred Pangelinan of G3, 2ID HQ, as he scoops a spoonful of sweet and sour chicken with rice. "This makes me want to stay out here. Every time I go out, can they go out?"



Park, Kum Ryo cooks french fries for a Soldier who came by her tent.

1-72 Armor plays OPFOR to ambush, attack convoy in Iron Focus exercise

Story and photo by
Cpl. Kim, Sang Pil
Staff Writer

A group of Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment wearing bear suit tops and gray hats ambushed a 302nd Brigade Support Battalion convoy Jan. 10 as part of 1HBCT's Iron Focus exercise.

The opposing forces helped provide a realistic scenario for the 302nd BSB Soldiers by using tactics that are most likely to be seen in a war zone. These included setting up improvised explosive devices and waiting on a hill to ambush the convoy as it passed by. The OPFOR then sprung to action with rocket-propelled grenades and small arms fire.

"Our job is to provide an enemy force for 1st BSTB and 302nd BSB," said Capt. Jason Buursma, Echo Company commander, 1-72 Armor Regt. "It consists of ambushing, patrols, IEDs, small arms fire as well as perimeter probes."

"This kind of training provides Soldiers with a real training environment and scenario that is based on likely situations found in Afghanistan or Iraq," said Staff Sgt. Jason Yonker, from Echo Co., 1-72 Armor Regt., who played as OPFOR in the scenario. "The Soldiers would have a better understanding of how to react to actions on contact, IEDs and what to do when Soldiers go down."



Soldiers from Military Police platoon, HHC, 1st BSTB, who came to support an ambushed convoy, aim at opposing forces positioned on a hillside.

Re-enlistment benefits Soldiers, leadership

By Pfc. Anthony Hawkins Jr.
Staff Writer

Every Soldier in the Army joins for his or her own reasons. Some may join out of patriotism. Some may join to travel and gain job experience. Others may join for educational benefits. Many may not expect to serve past their initial term of enlistment.

Just like each Soldier joining the Army, many Soldiers currently serving choose to stay in for different reasons. There are several options of which Soldiers considering re-enlistment may be unaware.

"There are five basic re-enlistment options for Soldiers," said Master Sgt. William Keating, career counselor for Division Special Troops Battalion, who has been helping Soldiers stay in the Army for over 10 years.

The first option is regular Army re-enlistment, in which Soldiers can re-enlist for two to six years, said Keating. Using this option, Soldiers continue in their current career field and can re-enlist for two to six years.

The second option is current station stabilization, in which Soldiers are guaranteed up to 12 extra months at their current station upon re-enlistment, Keating said. For Soldiers serving overseas, the 12 extra months begin on the date they were to leave their station. An exception to this is made for Soldiers serving in Korea. They are allowed to re-enlist for two

years with this option, which ordinarily comes with a three-year minimum re-enlistment, and are authorized up to six additional months from their DEROS, or date of estimated return from overseas, date.

"Most people here in Korea do not use this option," Keating said. "They use the Assignment Incentive Pay program because that allows them an extra \$300 or \$400 a month."

The third choice Soldiers have is the Army re-training option. This is a three-to-four year re-enlistment in which qualified Soldiers can be reclassified into a new career field.

There is another re-enlistment program which is closely related to the Army re-training option. It is called the Bonus enlistment and re-training, or BEAR, program.

"Once we qualify you for re-training, we then see if we can lock you in for a school seat," Keating said. "If we can do that, then we will extend you for 24 months upon the completion of the school. Once you graduate, you can come back to us within 90 days, and then we will cancel the extension and re-enlist you. You will then receive a re-enlistment bonus."

Fourth is the overseas station-of-choice option. The minimum re-enlistment is four years in a long-tour area, such as Germany, and three years for a short-tour area, like Korea.

The last of the basic re-enlistment choices is the stateside station-of-choice option. This is a three to four

year re-enlistment in which Soldiers can choose their next station within the continental U.S. Both assignment options have a specific time frame in which Soldiers' are qualified.

Each of the five basic re-enlistment options have slight variations in eligibility requirements for initial-term, mid-career and career Soldiers. As of Oct. 2006, all Soldiers who have 24 months or less remaining in their term of service meet the first and most important requirement for re-enlisting. This time period is referred to as the re-enlistment window.

Although there are so many re-enlistment options on the table, some Soldiers may still wonder what other benefits come with re-enlisting. Most prominent in Soldiers' minds is probably the re-enlistment bonus.

"There are three types of bonuses out there right now," Keating said. "The first is an MOS bonus, which depends on a Soldier's MOS. Then there is a location bonus, depending on where the Soldier is heading next. Lastly, there is a deployment bonus."

Money is not the only reason Soldiers decide to stay in the Army.

"There are a lot great benefits to staying in," said Sgt. 1st Class Michael Perry, career counselor for Division Special Troops Battalion. "A lot of the younger Soldiers do not realize the facilities that we have. Let's say you have a family, a wife and a couple of kids running around. The medical and dental benefits speak for

themselves. There are also entitlements to help pay for additional costs such as housing."

Soldiers also have a high quality of life in the Army, Perry said.

"Where else in the world can you wake up and tell your boss, 'Hey I need four or five hours to go do something,' and not have to punch out? One of my favorite phrases is we can offer guaranteed employment."

Not only do individuals benefit from Soldiers choosing to re-enlist, but the Army and other Soldiers benefit as well.

"We're maintaining a qualified force," Keating said. "We only allow those Soldiers who are qualified, in good character and good standing, to re-enlist. It also saves the Army the cost of spending more money for training a new Soldier."

"Most importantly, we're getting a Soldier who has been exposed to the Army life for a few years," Keating said. "We're able to take that Soldier from your basic, junior enlisted and turn them into NCOs."

"By retaining Soldiers, the Army benefits from the experience that Soldier brings with them," Perry said. "Say you have a squad of infantrymen returning from Iraq who all decide to leave the Army. Now you have to take 10 brand new Soldiers from Fort Benning and rebuild the team."

"Retaining Soldiers build leadership and loyalty, not only to your unit but also to your country," Perry said.

JAG provides more than just legal advice

By Spc. Aaron Coats and
Pvt. Christina Stentiford

Client Services Paralegals

The Army's Judge Advocate General's Corps here in 2ID does not look much like the television program you might be familiar with. The JAG Corps is a very large, complex organization that serves a variety of functions within the military. However, there are three services within the JAG Corps that most Soldiers need to be aware of and will be more likely to use. Those services are legal assistance, claims, and trial defense services.

Legal assistance offers a variety of services in support of Soldiers, Department of Defense civilians and their families. The licensed attorneys at legal assistance help clients in matters including divorce, child custody, family support, initiation of certain administrative separations, NCOER/OER appeals, and wills. They can also assist you with some civil court matters, financial planning and actions under the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act. The legal assistance office also runs the division tax assistance center, which provides tax assistance services to the 2ID community from February to June. When you meet with a legal assistance attorney, any information that you share is confidential. This means that in most

circumstances, your communications with a legal assistance attorney will not be shared with anyone unless you give the attorney permission to provide it to your command, the appropriate agency, the court or whomever.

Paralegals at the legal assistance office are supervised by attorneys and assist clients with services such as notarizations, obtaining certified copies of documents to be used for military purposes, powers of attorney, and tax returns.

The claims service provides Soldiers and certain DoD civilians with a way to get reimbursed for items that have been damaged in shipping during a PCS, stolen, or damaged or destroyed by other Soldiers. In some circumstances, your claim may not be payable and not all payable claims are paid in full. The claims program is not a substitute for insurance. You should always maintain insurance on your property - especially any high-dollar items. If your property is damaged, lost or stolen, contact the local claims office for assistance in filing a claim.

The main function of trial defense services is to represent Soldiers who are facing court-martial, involuntary administrative separations, and non-judicial punishment under Article 15, UCMJ. In addition, TDS attorneys assist and counsel Soldiers who have been

"read their rights" and wish to speak to an attorney. TDS attorneys are not part of the Division. Their chain of command is completely separate from the Soldier's chain of command and operates out of Washington, D.C. This means that they are able to fully advocate on behalf of the Soldier without fear of or influence from the Soldier's chain of command. As such, a Soldier can trust that the advice obtained from a TDS attorney serves the individual Soldier's best interests over everyone else's.

If you have been read your rights, you should immediately ask for an attorney. If you would like to speak to an attorney, you can reach them anytime for assistance. The Camp Casey law enforcement and CID offices have TDS's contact information, including cell phones, so if one of their investigators reads you your rights, you can ask for an attorney and they can put you in touch with TDS. If you need to meet with a TDS attorney for Article 15 counseling or a separation, call or walk-in to schedule an appointment. The Area I TDS office is located at Camp Casey, building T-43 (the old Legal Assistance building next to the helipad) at 730-2433. The Claims office at Camp Casey is located in Maude Hall at 730-3690. The Claims office at Camp Red Cloud is located in Freeman Hall at 732-6099.

Chapel Service Times

Camp Red Cloud

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

Camp Casey

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

Memorial Chapel
Gospel:
11 a.m. Sunday

KATUSA:
6:00 p.m. Tuesday

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

Camp Hovey

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

Crusader Chapel
Protestant:
11 a.m. Sunday

Camp Stanley

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

Camp Humphreys

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

Camp Castle

Castle Chapel
KATUSA:
6 p.m. Tuesday

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Memorial Chapel
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Stanley: 732-5238
Humphrey: 753-7952
Camp Castle: 730-6889
Orthodox worship service
Saint Nicholas Cathedral:
753-3153
LDS: 730-5682
Other services including
bible studies and fellow-
ships are offered in some
chapels. Please call for
complete schedules.



Movies

Camp 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. 2 ... *Unaccompanied Minors;*
Blood Diamond
Feb. 3 ... *Blood Diamond;*
Turistas
Feb. 4 ... *Freedom Writers;*
Freedom Writers;
Unaccompanied Minors
Feb. 5 ... *Freedom Writers*
Feb. 6 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 7 ... *Unaccompanied Minor*
Feb. 8 ... *Stranger Than Fiction*
Feb. 9 ... *Rocky Balboa;*
Saw III
Feb. 10 ... *Eragon;*
Casino Royale
Feb. 11 ... *Catch and Release;*
Catch and Release;
Rocky Balboa
Feb. 12 ... *Catch and Release*
Feb. 13 ... *Eragon*
Feb. 14 ... *Rocky Balboa*
Feb. 15 ... *Deja Vu*

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 7 & 9 p.m., Sun. 6 &
8 p.m., Mon., Tue. & Thur. 7 p.m.
Feb. 2 ... *Freedom Writers;*
Blood Diamond
Feb. 3 ... *Unaccompanied Minors;*
The Holiday
Feb. 4 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 5 ... *Casino Royale*
Feb. 6 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 8 ... *Catch and Release*
Feb. 9 ... *Catch and Release;*
Rocky Balboa
Feb. 10 ... *Eragon;*
Rocky Balboa
Feb. 11 ... *Rocky Balboa;*
Borat
Feb. 12 ... *Unaccompanied Minors*
Feb. 13 ... *Eragon*
Feb. 15 ... *The Messengers*

Camp Hovey

Show times: Sat.- Sun. 6:30 & 8:30 p.m.,
Sun. 3, 6:30 & 8:30 p.m., Mon.-Thur. 7:00
p.m.
Feb. 2 ... *The Holiday*
Feb. 3 ... *Unaccompanied Minors;*
Freedom Writers
Feb. 4 ... *Blood Diamond;*
Casino Royale
Feb. 5 ... *Unaccompanied Minors*
Feb. 6 ... *Casino Royale*
Feb. 7 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 8 ... *Unaccompanied Minors*
Feb. 9 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 10 ... *Rocky Balboa;*
Catch and Release
Feb. 11 ... *Eragon;*
Saw III
Feb. 12 ... *Rocky Balboa*
Feb. 13 ... *Catch and Release*
Feb. 14 ... *Eragon*
Feb. 15 ... *Rocky Balboa*

Camp Stanley

Show times: Mon.-Fri. 7 p.m., Sat. 7 & 9
p.m., Sun. 7 p.m.
Feb. 2 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 3 ... *Unaccompanied Minors;*
Saw III
Feb. 4 ... *Unaccompanied Minors*
Feb. 5 ... *Casino Royale*
Feb. 7 ... *Catch and Release;*
Catch and Release
Feb. 8 ... *Blood Diamond*
Feb. 9 ... *Borat*
Feb. 10 ... *Rocky Balboa;*
Eragon
Feb. 11 ... *Rocky Balboa*
Feb. 12 ... *Let's Go To Prison*
Feb. 14 ... *The Messengers;*
The Messengers
Feb. 15 ... *Rocky Balboa*



Warrior News Briefs

Upcoming Sports Events

MWR will be hosting a series of sporting events throughout the month of February.

The battalion KATUSA basketball championship for Area 1 will be held at Carey Fitness Center, Camp Casey, Feb. 7-9.

The Area 1 Raquetball championship will be held Feb. 10-11 at Carey Fitness Center.

For more information, contact the Casey Enclave Sports director at 730-2322.

Super Bowl Party

Come to the CG's Mess on CRC to watch the Super Bowl. Bring your own lazy boy chair, and a spot will be made for it up front. A brunch of steak and eggs will be served 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Doors open at 7 a.m. and the bar opens at 7:30 a.m. The game kicks off at 8:25 a.m.

Upcoming ACS Events

A Spouses and Civilian Newcomers Orientation is being held at Camp Casey ACS 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Feb. 14.

A Marriage, Baby & Budget

class is also held at Camp Casey ACS from 9-12 a.m. Feb. 16.

A Home Buying Seminar class is being held at the Camp Stanley ACS building from 1-4 p.m. Feb. 19.

A Spouses and Civilian Newcomers Orientation is scheduled to be held at the Camp Red Cloud ACS building 9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Feb. 21

AA

For information about AA in Korea, visit the Alcoholics Anonymous website, available in English and Korean. For more information, go to www.aakorea.co.kr.

You can also visit the Central Office at Chunil building, Room 503, 69-13 Taepyungro 2-KA, Chung-Kym, Seoul, or call 02-774-3797 for more information.

TSGLI

TSGLI is a new insurance benefit enacted by Congress to help traumatically wounded Soldiers and their families with a one-time, tax-free payment of up to \$100,000.

The money a Soldier receives through TSGLI could go far toward helping a Soldier's family to be with them during recovery; assisting with

unforeseen expenses, or giving the Soldier and his or her family a head start on life after recovery.

Additional information including claim forms are available on the TSGLI website, www.tsqli.army.mil or through our Service Center that can be reached via telephone, 1-800-237-1336 or via e-mail at tsqli@hoffman.army.mil.

TSGLI helps Soldiers from all components - Active, Reserve and National Guard. If a Soldier is covered by Service members' Group Life Insurance, that Soldier also is covered by TSGLI for qualifying injuries.

A traumatic injury is an injury or loss caused by application of external force or violence.

TSGLI is not just for combat-related injuries, it covers Soldiers anytime, anywhere.

Qualifying traumatic injuries incurred after Dec. 1, 2005 are covered under TSGLI- regardless of where they occurred.

TSGLI coverage is retroactive for qualifying injuries incurred Oct. 7, 2001 through Nov. 30, 2005, if the event occurred in theater supporting OEF or OIF or in a Combat Zone Tax Exclusion area. If you have any questions, please contact our Division at 1-800-237-1336.

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IRON

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Communications were imperative throughout the exercise to keep sections talking and working with each other while being at different physical locations.

A big obstacle that 1HBCT faced was the brutally cold weather, especially at night when the weather was coldest, said Queen. During the whole exercise, Soldiers also faced long hours. By managing a cold weather training policy though, safety was assured for Soldiers of Iron Brigade.

Iron Focus taught Soldiers to be prepared for what happens on the battlefield. Iron Focus challenged Soldiers to think on their feet in a variety of scenarios that tested the way 1HBCT works as a whole.



Pfc. Leigh Armstrong

(Above) Sgt. Roy N. Maulino, from 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt., mans a machine gun turret mounted on top of a M1A1 Abrams. His tank crew was tasked with conducting a counter-attack on opposing forces.

(Below) Medics from Charlie Co., 302nd BSB move a casualty into Charlie Med, the company's medical facility, during a mass casualty exercise as part of 1HBCT's Iron Focus. The medics conducted triage operations, while providing emergency first aid and life-saving surgical operations.



Pfc. Anthony Hawkins Jr.



Cpl. Kim, Sang Pil

Two helicopters, a Chinook and a Blackhawk, transport casualties in from the battlefield as part of 302nd BSB's MASCAL exercise. The wounded consisted of Soldiers, civilians and enemy prisoners of war. They were treated at Charlie Co., 302nd BSB's emergency medical aid station. Those who were in need of more advanced care would be evacuated to a combat support hospital.

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With intelligence informing of around 50 incoming casualties, stress ran high at Charlie Med, but this didn't deter the Soldiers from their mission.

"Our goal is to stabilize them so they can make it through surgery, then move them to the patient hold so they can be evacuated to a combat support hospital," Morris said. "These guys are coming right off the battlefield, and we're their first line of advanced care."

Although the situation was stressful for Soldiers, the pressure also helped to benefit them.

"This benefits the Soldiers by stressing them out so when they do encounter this kind of situation they'll be better prepared for it," Williams

said. "It's a state of readiness. They can make better decisions, react and take care of patients."

The skill and professionalism of Charlie Company's Soldiers did not go unnoticed.

"I'm really proud of what they've done," said Brig. Gen. John Johnson, Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver). "One of the great strengths of our Army is the medical care. The training of our Soldiers and the capabilities of our equipment is the best of any military in the world."

The training helped to not only boost morale among the medical Soldiers, but also provided assurance to other Soldiers that they are in very capable hands.

"I want the medics to walk away with confidence that even if they have a surge of casualties

like this, they have the skills and the right equipment to properly treat these Soldiers," Johnson said. "For the Soldiers that are playing casualties, I want them to walk away with the confidence that they will receive excellent care."

Although weather conditions were less than ideal, the training proved that neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow can stop a U.S. Army Soldier, especially when the life of their brother or sister-in-arms is on the line.

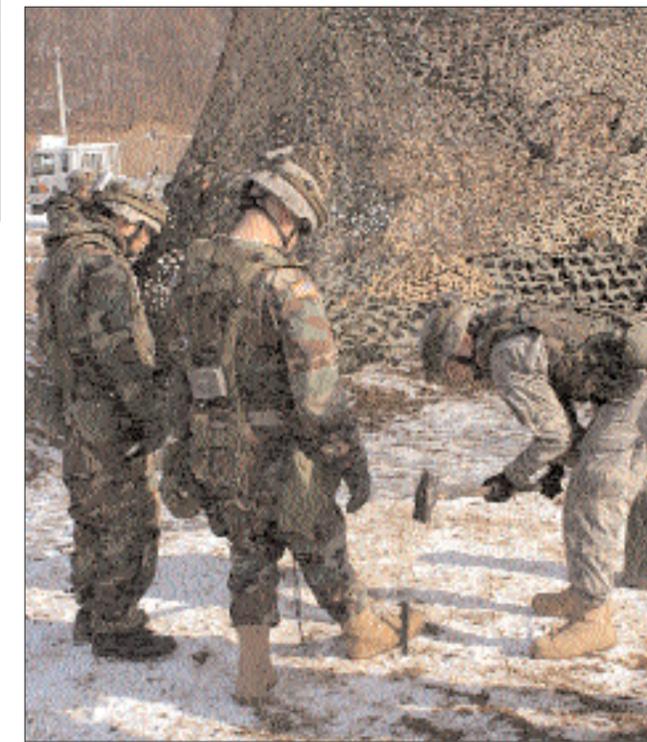
"It's been cold, but they've kept soldiering on because they know how important this is," Johnson said. "This training prepares them if we do have to fight tonight here in Korea, or if they leave here to join a unit headed to Iraq or Afghanistan. This is exactly the kind of training that makes us the great Army that we are."



Pfc. Anthony Hawkins Jr.

(Above) Spc. Brad Brady, along with other Soldiers from Bravo Co., 302nd BSB, form a perimeter and provide security after their area of operation was attacked by mortar fire. The Soldiers were part of the company's quick reactionary force, designed to defend their encampment from opposing forces at a moment's notice.

(Below) Soldiers from 4th Chemical Co., 1st BSTB cover their equipment and tents with camouflage netting. The netting is designed to conceal their encampment from enemy scouts, on both the land and in the air.



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Super Bowl Sunday: The unofficial holiday

By Pfc. Antuan Rofe
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Super Bowl Sunday is an unofficial holiday to the millions of football fans and players around the world. This day has a special place in many people's hearts, stomachs and wallets.

The two teams that have beaten the best and worst in their respected divisions and destroyed their conference adversaries in the playoffs are finally going to meet to see which team is the best and brightest in the National Football League.

Millions of Americans tune in to watch the 'clash of the titans' and consume the second largest amount of food behind Thanksgiving. With chicken wings, nachos, pizza, chips, pretzels, cheese and vegetables, food

is the name of the game and lots of it.

An estimated minimum of \$55 million dollars will be spent on food alone the week leading up to the big game. Fifteen thousand tons of chips and 4,000 tons of popcorn will also be engulfed, but the most impressive food item that will be consumed is the avocado. More than 12 million pounds of avocados are sold in preparation for the eight million pounds of guacamole and the only other holiday to dethrone Super Bowl Sunday is the Mexican holiday Cinco de Mayo.

Imagine potato chips that can stretch out 293,000 miles (that's almost one and a half times the distance to the moon), popcorn, that if put on a string, can stretch around the earth five and a half times.

One out of six partying Americans will call in to work the day after the big bowl, or another way to look it is

one person out of every party will call in one of those few sick days to recuperate from the excessive food intake.

By measure, the Super Bowl is the most watched television show of the year, according to the Nielsen television rating system. On average, between 80 and 90 million Americans are tuned into the Super Bowl at any given moment and between 130 and 140 million will tune in to some part of the game. That's more than any one show on a single day and one of the most watched shows of the year.

In the 1984, Apple Computer's commercial introducing the Apple Macintosh to new consumers and became the beginning of the high profile showcase of highly amusing and extravagantly expensive commercials. Companies like Pepsi, Coca-Cola, Toyota and many of the dot com sites have paid big dollars to have 30

to 90 second spots during the Super Bowl. Prices have increased each year and in 2006 the price of a 30-second ad was \$2.5 million and advertisers are willing to shell out big bucks to reach that audience. This year, it's reported a record \$2.6 million, but the commercials have been a display of unique creativity and remain a major part of the Super Bowl Tradition.

Super Bowl Sunday plays such a big part in many people's lives that the reason it isn't a Hallmark holiday still remains a mystery. It has everything a holiday needs and deserves; mass quantities of food like Thanksgiving, the togetherness of Christmas and the celebration of New Year's. The Super Bowl has become an American tradition and should be recognized just like the other holidays that have precedence in American society.

Bataan Road March Qualifier

Who is eligible: All active duty personnel

What: The Bataan Road March - 13.1 miles

When: February 24, 2007
Registration: 7 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Course brief: 8:30 a.m.
Race begins at 8:45 a.m.

Where: Carey Fitness Center, Camp Casey

Why: Qualification to become a member of the 8th Army March Team and will have a chance to participate in the Bataan Death March memorial in White Sands, N.M., March 25, 2007

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Warrior invitation boxing competition results

Bout	Weight Class	Winner	VS	Defeated
#1	Novice Lightweight	Maj. Ernest Lee 8th Medical Group Kunsan Air Base	Won by Decision 2-1	Pvt. Jung, Yo Jin C Battery, 1-38th Field Artillery Camp Casey
#2	Novice Lt. Welterweight	Senior Airman Juan Flores 8th Security Forces Squadron Kunsan Air Base	Won by Referee Stops Contest 1:30 1st Round	Pfc. Joshua Bateman HHSC, Special Troops Battalion Camp Red Cloud
#3	Novice Welterweight	Senior Airman Ken Carreta 8th Maintenance Group Kunsan Air Base	Won by Decision 2-1	Spc. Garren Diotalevi A Company, Special Troops Battalion Camp Red Cloud
#4	Novice Middleweight	Senior Airman Emilliano Kaku 8th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Kunsan Air Base	Won by Decision 2-1	Staff Sgt. Thomas Carleton 604th Air Support Operations Squadron Camp Red Cloud
#5	Novice Lt. Heavyweight	Sgt. Courtney Donnatien Air Force Speciality Code, 702nd BSB Camp Castle	Won by Referee Stops Contest 1:28 1st Round	Spc. Leonarda Avila D Detachment, 176th Finance Camp Red Cloud
#6	Novice Heavyweight	Airman 1st Class Joshua Hall 604th Air Support Operations Squadron Camp Red Cloud	Won by Referee Stops Contest 1:38 2nd Round	Pfc. Jeffrey Strouse HHS, 1-38 Field Artillery Camp Casey
#7	Open Heavyweight	O, Bu Sok Suwon Boxing Club	Won by Decision 3-0	Pvt. Octavio Araujo C Battery, 1-43rd Air Defense Artillery Camp Casey
#8	Novice Super Heavyweight	Pfc. Carlos Garcia Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2ID Camp Red Cloud	Won by Decision 3-0	Spc. Andrew Olomon NCO Academy Camp Jackson