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Sgt. Michael Young, squad leader, Bty. A, 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt., and his squad prepare to clear a room where an insurgent is hiding. The unit conducted MOUT training on Camp Casey July 25.

First Tank hones Soldier, leader warfighting skills

By Pfc. Antuan Rofe
1HBCT Public Affairs Office

CAMP CASEY, Korea – A convoy of M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicles crunch over thousands of rocks that cover the main street in Seung Ji Gol Village. Several villagers begin to throw rocks at the vehicles as they pass through the city, until a single gunshot rings out.

The infantrymen of 1st Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment quickly dismount their vehicles and prepare to search the city for the unfriendly personnel who fired on them.

Although this is only a training exercise, this scenario is one of many that Soldiers could encounter if and when they are deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan or anywhere else in the world, said Sgt. Michael Young, squad leader, Battery A, 1st Bn., 72nd Arm. Regt.

“We’re exposing Soldiers to missions that they would be conducting if they were in Iraq or Afghanistan,” said Lt. Col. Thomas Isom, commander, 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt. “It’s a tactical standard, so we’re training the Soldiers on the Warrior 40 and 11 and the leaders on the Iron Big 8,”

The dismounted Soldiers stormed the village, clearing it of any insurgents the townspeople may have been protecting. Several of the villagers were detained because of their hostility toward the troops. Every building in the village was searched, cleared and secured until the entire village had been checked.

“A lot of the Soldiers are fresh out of basic training, so this is helping them build more confidence in themselves, their battle buddies and their abilities to

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Master gunners cross Pacific to train 2ID

By Pfc. Antuan Rofe
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RODRIGUEZ LIVE FIRE COMPLEX, Korea – The 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team welcomed a team of outside observer controllers to Warrior Country for the first time in 2nd Infantry Division history early in 2007. Now, the unit can add another mark to the “firsts” column.

Eleven master gunners from 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning, Ga., came to teach the M2 Bradley Master Gunner Course to 24 of the division’s would-be master gunners.

“Normally, units send Soldiers to the Master Gunner Course at Fort Benning, where the school is actually located, but with the trainers coming here, it allows more Soldiers the opportunity to qualify,” said Sgt. 1st Class Robert Lynk, acting chief of the Master Gunner Course, 1st Bn., 29th Inf. Regt.

“It’s a great opportunity for them to come from stateside out here to Korea,” said Sgt. 1st Class Michael Clinton, student in the Master Gunner Course, Company A, 1st Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment. “It allows us to not have to go on temporary duty, and we can remain centralized at the unit. It also gives us

the opportunity to bring these skills back to our unit. I was really excited to find out they were coming here because it’s really difficult to go from Korea to the school and take the course.”

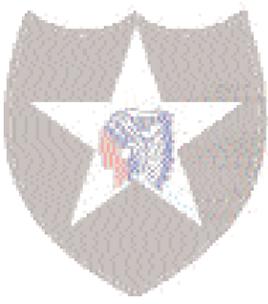
The Master Gunner Course is held over a period of two months and consists of two phases. The first phase is the maintenance phase, in which students learn the internal components and functions of the weapon systems, Lynk said. The second phase is the gunnery phase, in which the students learn all the preliminary gunnery, platoon gunnery and short-range training plans. They also learn ammunition forecasting

and training management, ending the course with an actual live fire, he said.

The master gunner position in the M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle is a key position in a mechanized company or battalion. They are in charge of all the training, resourcing and planning, Lynk said. After these Soldiers graduate from the course they can help their unit here and take this with them to their next assignment.

“Being a master gunner means that you’re an expert on the entire vehicle and all of its weapons systems, to include the training of the

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**VOICE OF THE
WARRIOR:**

What Army Value
is most important
to you?



*Honor. The honor of
serving my country,
which has given us the
freedoms we enjoy.*

2nd Lt. Jay Malloy
HHC, 1HBCT

*All of them. All rep-
resent what the
Soldiers will be and
do on a daily basis.*

1st Sgt. Pablo Santana
WRC, DSTB



*If we respect people
in the Army, they will
respect people in
other countries.*

Pvt. Lee, Jae Young
HHC, 1HBCT

*Integrity. Soldiers with
integrity correct them-
selves and are profes-
sional as leaders.*

Spc. Joseph Magee
WRC, DSTB



*Duty. Without a
sense of duty, the
rest would not exist.*

Sgt. 1st Class
Roger Matthews
HHSC, DSTB

*Respect. To be
respected, you need
to respect others.*

Pvt. Kim, Min Woo
WRC, DSTB



A Voice from Iraq: Soldiers make coalition successes possible

Sgt. Todd Selge

Co. A, 5th Bn., 20th Inf. Regt., 3rd Bde., 2nd Inf. Div.

WASHINGTON – When you hear about the war in Iraq, you hear it from a high-level Army spokesperson or you hear tragedy and “another deadly day” from the media. The view on the ground, from the Soldier’s perspective, is often overlooked.

We are the ones who live the conflict every day, who see the progress day to day. We are the ones who experience the sorrows, deal face to face with the people and see the enemy’s effort to undo every good thing the Iraqi people and coalition forces have done. What all Soldiers want is to succeed in the mission and go home to our Families. The things we do each day allow us to do just that.

The Soldiers make the many successes of the coalition possible. My unit, Company A, 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division (Stryker Brigade Combat Team), is no exception.

The most important success is getting the Iraqi security forces organized and capable of handling every problem that may arise in the future. Accomplishing this happens on all levels, from the commanders down to the average private.

Our Soldiers develop friendships with the Iraqi troops and police. We joke, eat, talk about Family and conduct missions together. We provide a model for the ISF during the time we spend together.

We have a training program where Iraqi Army soldiers come and learn the same basic tasks every U.S. Army Soldier knows. Every day Soldiers work hand-in-

hand to teach the IA to succeed in securing their country.

The ISF have been the main effort. Our joint successes include finding countless caches, killing or capturing anti-Iraqi force personnel and thwarting attacks targeting coalition forces. The ISF continue to gain the confidence of their fellow countrymen.

We are also building important and long-lasting relationships with the surrounding communities. We continuously visit schools and neighborhoods to give the kids backpacks full of supplies, hand out candy and listen to the concerns of the people.

We ask about their basic services, such as food, water, electricity and fuel. We hand out cards with hotline numbers to address any problems, and we share handshakes. We see the smiles of a hopeful generation firsthand and see the efforts of anti-Iraqi forces to shatter those dreams. Recent tactics by the insurgents are trying to

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Sgt. Todd Selge

Currently serving with 2ID in Iraq

break these bonds.

There has been a major effort by insurgents to sell and hand out a wide variety of realistic-looking toy guns. Their hope is for the ISF and coalition forces to engage children. But with constant training and help from the communities, we will yet again foil the enemy’s plans to promote chaos and hatred.

Every day we interact and help Iraq grow, we are one day closer to success and one day closer to seeing our Families.

What does the average Soldier think on a daily basis? He wants to accomplish the mission. He wants to see the smiles of the Iraqi people endure. He is grateful for everything he has back home, and he wishes the very same freedom he is fighting for, upon the country of Iraq.

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drive on and accomplish their mission," Young said.

"Seeing how this is my first duty station, I have a pretty good understanding of what we're doing and why," said Pvt. Ryan Kellogg, squad automatic weapon gunner, Bty. A, 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt. "A year from now, I know that I'll probably be deployed, and the same thing that I'm doing here is what I'm going to be doing in a combat zone."

Target recognition, friendly and unfriendly villagers, and loss of communication were just a few curveballs that were thrown at the leadership to see how well they accomplished the mission without perfect conditions, Isom said.

"This type of training helps Soldiers gain confidence in themselves because Soldiers new to Army are getting deployed, and this type of thing prepares them for what they may encounter during a real-life mission," Young said.

"With all of the training here, it's just like the training at any of the training sites," said Spc. Michael Jones, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt., who played OPFOR. "We just have to take all of this training and put it into play when the time comes."

First Tank's observer controllers graded the leaders during this exercise, to see how well the leaders are training Soldiers for their missions and how well they are completing their tasks, Isom said.

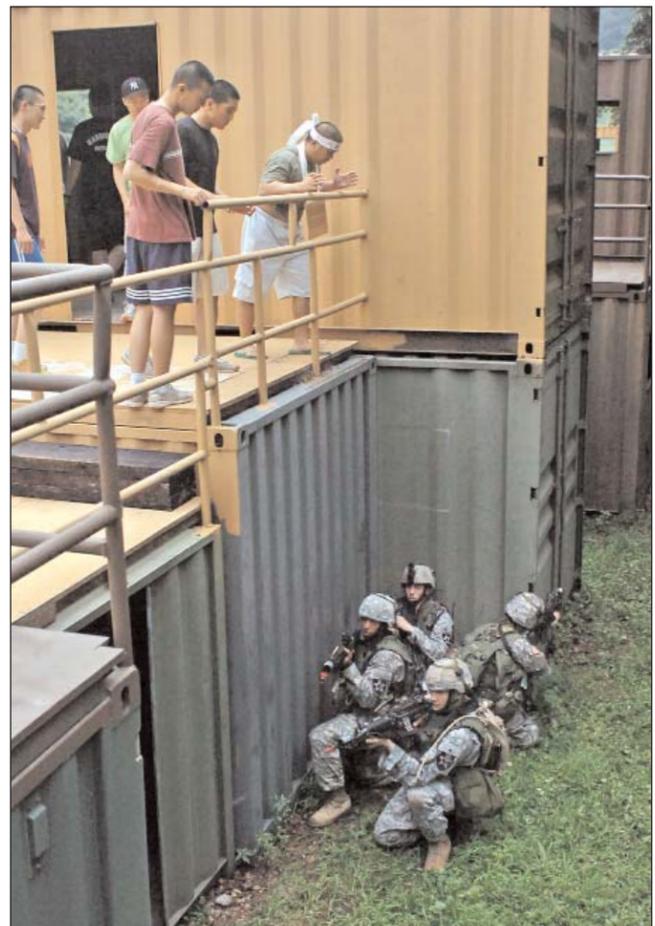
"We're training leader tasks," Isom said. "These are tasks that leaders get whether it's at the Warrior Leadership Course, the Lieutenant's Basic Course or the Captain's Course. These are tasks that all leaders need to be skilled in because it's flat out good, quality training."

"This training is helping out the leaders as well as the Soldiers," Young said. "The training helps the Soldiers polish their skills and will become instinct and they won't have to keep relearning the same skills."

The thick, soup-like air clears itself of gunpowder and darkness takes the skies, as the detainees are released. The infantryman then remount their Bradleys and move back to the waiting area so that the next platoon can come in and show off their ability to accomplish the mission.

"I enjoyed this experience a whole lot, and I think we did really well overall," Jones said. "They say that practice makes perfect, so we're going to keep doing our best until we are perfect."

"This type of training helps us become better trained at what we do, and shows how well the Army as a whole is trained," Young said.



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

A squad from 1st Bn., 72nd Armor Regt., prepares to maneuver while KATUSA Soldiers role-play civilians.



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

Pvt. John Woods, Co. A, 2nd Bn., 9th Inf. Regt., reassembles a M240B medium machine gun while Staff Sgt. Bryan Scopazzi, a student in the Master Gunner Course, oversees.

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crews, squads, fire teams or any platoon, whether it be infantry or engineer," Clinton said.

According to Lynk, the Army is short on master gunners, and the ability to come and train the units allows more Soldiers to qualify rather than training only 40 at the schoolhouse at one time.

"This mobile training team that we have for the very first time outside of the school aids units by helping to get the number of master gunners up," Lynk said.

The Soldiers taking the course were required to grade crewmembers on maintenance of the main gun and the 240B machine gun as the instructors from the MTT evaluated them. All crewmembers had to make GOs on every section or they would have to be retrained and retested, Clinton said.

"With this training we can take a Soldier who is having trouble with something and give them the proper training so he knows how to work whatever it is he is having trouble with," Clinton said.

Sexual Assault is incompatible with the Army Values and the Warrior Ethos



The Army's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program (SAPRP)

Visit www.sexualassault.army.mil

For more information, or to report an incident, contact your local Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) at:

Area I – 730-3494 Area III – 753-7091

or dial "158" from any DSN line and follow the instructions.

Ammo supply: a combined effort

U.S. and ROK Army Soldiers work together to ensure Area I has fire power

By Pvt. Huh, Hojin
Staff Writer

With all of the training conducted in Warrior Country, many may wonder where all the ammunition comes from.

From 5.56 mm to HEAT rounds, all of the ammo in Area I is managed by the 17th Ordnance Company, 6th Ordnance Battalion at Camp Kwangsari.

Camp Kwangsari is a ROK Army post located in Yangju, Gyeonggi-do and is home to the 56th Ordnance Battalion, 2nd Military Supply Headquarters of the ROK Army. The U.S. Army's 17th Ordnance Co. manages the issue and turn-in of ammo, but the ammo is stored in the ROK Army's bunkers. In order to maintain efficient communication between the ROK and U.S. Army, KATUSA Soldiers and many civilians work with the issue and turn-in of ammo.

"We turn in all of the ammo which is used by the U.S. Army, and then we inspect and assort the ammo at the UTF (Unit Turn-in Facility)," said Hwang, Joo Hyeong, 8th leader, Unit Turn-in Facility, Korean Service Corps.

Hwang said he has had some difficulty working together with U.S. Soldiers, such as the language barrier, but he is proud of the work he and his fellow KSC members are doing.

"We are continually working hard to manage the issue and turn-in



Pvt. Huh, Hojin

Soldiers from the 17th Ordnance Co., 6th Ordnance Bn., and Korean civilian workers sort empty M910 25mm Sabot cartridges at Camp Kwangsari's ammunition Unit Turn-in Facility. The rounds are fired from the M242 25mm auto-gun, which is mounted on an M2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle.

process efficiently," he said. "We do our best."

Issue and turn-in of ammo is done through a strict process because ammo is a sensitive item.

In order to issue or turn-in ammo, there are several steps to take. First, an appointment to issue or turn in the ammo has to be made with the 17th Ordnance Co. Second is a vehicle

inspection when entering Camp Kwangsari. This is because the 17th Ordnance Co. needs to prevent ammo theft or an attack on the post using explosive material. Next is the actual issue or turn-in. After taking the ammo, the vehicle must be checked again.

"We need high confidence between (the U.S. and ROK) to

work efficiently because managing ammo is such sensitive work," said Pfc. Christina Johnson, 17th Ordnance Co., 6th Ordnance Bn. "We have made a good relationship with the ROK Army while working with them for such a long time. In the future, we hope to keep a good relationship with them to work peacefully together."

Monsoons can't stop 1-15 FA

In order to maximize training facilities during the monsoon season, Bty. A, 1st Bn., 15th FA Regt. trained on Camp Hovey July 19.

The constant rain can soften the ground and can potentially cause mudslides, said Staff Sgt. Eric Austin, platoon sergeant, Bty. A., 1st Bn., 15th FA Regt.

Because of this, the unit moved around post to prevent any vehicles from getting damaged and to keep Soldiers safe.

Unlike being in the field the Soldiers didn't fire live rounds. While maneuvering to several different points on Camp Hovey, they conducted dry-fire missions only.

The Soldiers received the same training on post as they would at any other training site, Austin said.



Pfc. Antuan Rofe

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 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

Points of Contact:

USAG-Red Cloud:
732-7469
CRC Catholic: 732-6428
Hovey Chapel: 730-5119
Memorial Chapel
730-2594
West Casey: 730-3014
Stanley: 732-5238
Humphreys: 753-7952
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.

August 3 ... *Waitress*;
Pirates of the Caribbean
August 4 ... *Mr. Brooks*;
Waitress
August 5 ... *Hairspray*;
Hairspray;
Pirates of the Caribbean
August 6 ... *Hairspray*
August 7 ... *Waitress*
August 8 ... *Gracie*
August 9 ... *Mr. Brooks*
August 10 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
Nancy Drew
August 11 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
Disturbia
August 12 ... *The Simpsons*;
Nancy Drew;
The Condemned
August 13 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*
August 14 ... *Nancy Drew*
August 15 ... *Bug*
August 16 ... *The Condemned*

Camp Red Cloud

Show times: Fri.-Sat. 7 & 9 p.m., Sun. 6 &
8 p.m., Mon., Tue. & Thur. 7 p.m.

August 3 ... *Hairspray*;
Gracie
August 4 ... *Waitress*;
Mr. Brooks
August 5 ... *Waitress*;
The Reaping
August 6 ... *The Condemned*
August 7 ... *Waitress*
August 9 ... *The Simpsons*
August 10 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
Blades of Glory
August 11 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
28 Weeks Later
August 12 ... *Nancy Drew*;
Spider-Man 3
August 13 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*
August 14 ... *Perfect Stranger*
August 16 ... *The Bourne Ultimatum*

Camp Hovey

Show times: Sat.-Sun. 3:30 & 7 p.m.,
Mon.-Fri. 7 p.m.

August 3 ... *Mr. Brooks*
August 4 ... *Pirates of the Caribbean*;
Hairspray
August 5 ... *Waitress*;
Spider-Man 3
August 6 ... *Mr. Brooks*
August 7 ... *Hairspray*
August 8 ... *Blades of Glory*
August 9 ... *Disturbia*
August 10 ... *Waitress*
August 11 ... *Nancy Drew*;
Pirates of the Caribbean
August 12 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
Gracie
August 13 ... *Nancy Drew*
August 14 ... *28 Weeks Later*
August 15 ... *The Reaping*
August 16 ... *The Invisible*

Camp Stanley

Show times: Sun- Mon. & Thur.-Fri. 7 p.m.,
Wed.-Sat. 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

August 3 ... *Waitress*;
Mr. Brooks
August 4 ... *Pirates of the Caribbean*;
Waitress
August 5 ... *Spider-Man 3*
August 6 ... *Bug*
August 8 ... *Waitress*;
Mr. Brooks
August 9 ... *Disturbia*
August 10 ... *Ocean's Thirteen*;
Nancy Drew
August 11 ... *28 Weeks Later*;
The Condemned
August 12 ... *Nancy Drew*
August 13 ... *Georgia Rule*
August 15 ... *The Bourne Ultimatum*;
The Bourne Ultimatum
August 16 ... *Bug*

WARRIOR NEWS BRIEFS

2008 2ID AFAP Conference

The deadline to submit issues for discussion at the 2008 2ID Army Family Action Plan conference is Oct. 29. The conference is scheduled for Nov. 6-8.

AFAP is the Army's primary tool to communicate to leaders issues of importance to Soldiers, Retirees, Family members and DA Civilians.

Submit the issue, recommendations and solutions with the AFAP pamphlet, which can be picked up at your local ACS.

For more information, call 732-7314 or contact your local ACS.

New USFK pet regulation

USFK Regulation 40-5, "Pet Control and Veterinary Services for Domestic Pets," prohibits the abandoning of a domestic pet on any USFK installation or anywhere else in the Republic of Korea. It requires SOFA status personnel to register their pets at a veterinary Treatment Facility within 10 duty days of arrival on the Korean peninsula, or upon acquisition of the pet. It also requires pet owners to micro-chip and immunize each domestic pet.

All commanders and leaders should ensure their personnel are familiar with the policy and requirements contained in

USFK Regulation 40-5. Violation of this regulation may subject the offender to punishment under the UCMJ, or adverse administrative sanctions.

Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection

There will be Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection exercises at Camp Red Cloud Aug. 7, and Camp Stanley Aug 8.

The gates will be closed both days from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Buses will still be allowed to come and go off post.

Korean nationals who do not have a FPC or D badge cannot be outside their work space during that time. Should they step outside the office for any reason, they will be escorted off post via the nearest gate. Korean employees are encouraged to remain in their offices during the exercise.

2ID Indianhead Association

The 2ID Indianhead Association provides support to past and present 2ID Warriors and their Families. It does so by honoring fallen Soldiers who wore the "Big Black Patch" and made the ultimate sacrifice. It sends representatives to all funerals of fallen 2ID Warriors lost in combat as well as non-combat deaths.

The association reaches out to veterans of the present by sponsoring drives to

provide food, care packages and calling cards to deployed 2ID Warriors. College scholarships to Warriors and their family members are also available through the association.

PSYOP, EOD and Civil Affairs recruiting team briefings

The Psychological Operations, Explosive Ordnance Disposal and Civil Affairs recruiting teams are scheduled to hold briefings throughout Korea from Aug. 2-16. The briefings will be at the education centers on several installations and will take approximately one to one and a half hours to complete, including a question and answer section.

- Camp Henry Ed Center
Aug. 3-4: 12 and 4 p.m.
- Camp Humphreys Ed Center
Aug. 7-8: 12 and 4 p.m.
- Camp Casey Ed Center
Aug. 10: 3 p.m.
Aug. 13: 12 and 4 p.m.
- Yongsan Ed Center
Aug. 15-16: 12 and 4 p.m.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a copy of their ERB with them to the briefing. For more information, visit www.bragg.army.mil/eod or e-mail phillip.spaugh@us.army.mil.



Courtesy photo

Area I Soldiers participate in a human pyramid competition during the CRC BOSS Fun in the Sun Beach Party at Eul Wang Ri beach July 21. The Soldiers also took part in other activities including beach volleyball, a hula hoop contest and a tug-of-war. Local BOSS representatives regularly plan events such as this one for single and unaccompanied Soldiers in Korea as a chance for them to experience different areas of Korea while bonding with other Soldiers. Contact your local BOSS representative for information about upcoming events near you.



"Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers"

●What is BOSS?

The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) program supports the overall quality of single Soldiers' lives. BOSS identifies real Soldier well-being issues and concerns by recommending improvements through the chain of command. BOSS encourages and assists single Soldiers in identifying and planning for recreational and leisure activities. Additionally, it gives single Soldiers the opportunity to participate in and contribute to their respective communities.

●Who can participate?

All events are targeted at single Soldiers, but some installations also include single parents and unaccompanied Soldiers. Although the intent of the BOSS program is for single Soldiers, events are typically open to all authorized MWR users.

●What is the Soldiers Role in BOSS?

BOSS councils are comprised of single Soldiers from major subordinate commands and separate units on an installation. Single Soldiers have an opportunity to become unit representatives, volunteer to assist in planning an event, or attend BOSS activities. The Department of the Army BOSS circular defines the roles of the chain of command and MWR personnel at all levels.

●Upcoming events and contact information

BOSS Korea is hosting a Han River Casino Cruise Sept. 8 from 6-10 p.m. Tickets are \$25. Contact your local BOSS representative for more information.

Area I 732-6664

Area III 753-8825

Referral Bonus Program a Win-Win

By Steve Harding
Army News Service

WASHINGTON – The Army's Referral Bonus Program, – which offers Soldiers and retirees \$2,000 for referring future Soldiers, – has achieved some notable successes, said Maj. Gen. Thomas P. Bostick, the commanding general of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

Soldiers, future Soldiers and retirees may receive a referral bonus for referring anyone except immediate family members. Immediate family members include spouse, parent (or step-parent), child (natural, adopted, or step-child), brother or sister.

Those who are not eligible to receive a referral bonus include Soldiers assigned to the U.S. Army Accessions Command, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Cadet Command, U.S. Army Reserve Command-Retention and Transition Division, National Guard state recruiting commands, and any other member of the Army serving in a recruiting or retention assignment.

Soldiers and Army retirees who are serving as instructors or administrators in the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program are also not eligible to participate in the referral-bonus program. Also

ineligible are members assigned to duties regarding which eligibility for a bonus could, as determined by the secretary of the Army, be perceived as creating a conflict of interest.

"The referral bonus is a win-win program for our Army, our Soldiers and our retirees," Bostick said. "The Army gains new recruits and our Soldiers across the Army, as well as our retirees, can have a direct impact on the manning of our Army – and earn a \$2,000 bonus, as well."

The Army's senior enlisted Soldier, Sergeant Major of the Army Kenneth O. Preston, agreed that the referral program has huge potential.

"As our new advertising campaign says, 'There's strong, and then there's Army Strong,'" Preston said. "Soldiers in today's Army are a humble group of quiet professionals who serve as great examples to the young men and women of our nation. This bonus gives our Soldiers and retirees an incentive to share their experiences in the Army with the American people."

Civilian and military sponsors are both qualified to receive a SMART (Sergeant Major of the Army Recruiting Team) coin and certificate for a referral who enlists. Go to www.2k.army.mil to gain an understanding as a leader of how to use the program and sign up to make referrals today.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!

●Receive \$1,000 once the Soldier (referral) begins basic training.

●Receive an additional \$1,000 once the Soldier (referral) completes Advanced Individual Training.

●To be eligible, the referral must be submitted at www.usarec.army.mil/smart or by calling, 1-800-223-3735, ext. 6-0473.

Football heroes visit Warrior Country

By Pvt. Phillip Turner
Staff writer

CAMP RED CLOUD, Korea – Two legendary National Football League running backs from the Pittsburgh Steelers and Baltimore Colts visited Soldiers in Area I July 26.

Franco Harris and Lydell Mitchell spent time fellowshipping, signing autographs and enjoying meals with Soldiers at three different dining facilities in Area I.

Harris and Mitchell are two retired greats of the gridiron. These life-long friends and former teammates at Penn State University led the “Nitny Lions” to an undefeated season in 1969, and shared personal success with different teams in the NFL.

Harris, a four-time Super Bowl champion and Hall of Fame inductee, is most remembered for what some refer to as the greatest play in NFL history. His catch, known as “The Immaculate Reception,” made during the AFC Divisional playoff game in December 1972 gave the Pittsburgh Steelers their first playoff victory in franchise history.

Mitchell is a National Collegiate Athletics Association Hall of Fame



Franco Harris and Lydell Mitchell (right) take time out to autograph photos at a personal meet and greet at Kilbourne dining facility at Camp Red Cloud July 26.

member and holds many collegiate and professional records for yards gained and receptions. He was also named to three Pro Bowl teams and finished fifth in the voting for the 1971 Heisman Trophy.

“For two great athletes of such high caliber to come here and spend time with us is amazing,” said Spc. Marcus J. Doxie, Headquarters and Headquarters Support Company, Division Special Troops Battalion. “It

shows that there are people out there who are willing to show they support us and our missions.”

“I enjoy meeting Soldiers,” Mitchell said. “I envy what Soldiers do and how they do it. Franco and I have a lot of respect for the military and the men and women in uniform.”

“My father was a career military man, and until I was 17 and started getting scholarship offers, I always thought my path would lead me to join

the Army,” Harris said.

Playing sports and serving in the military have many similarities, Mitchell added. Whether on the battlefield or in a battle on the field of play, being part of a team, relying on others as they rely on you to complete a mission and obtain goals go hand-in-hand.

Harris said being an athlete takes commitment, hard work and sacrifice, and that this is the reason why athletes identify with Soldiers on a personal level.

Athletes understand the sacrifices and the discipline it takes to commit to one thing and try to be the best at it all the time, said Harris.

Athletes and professional sports leagues are big supporters of a department of defense program designed to encourage support of troops and their families. “America Supports You” is a favorite among athletes who make charitable contributions.

“We as athletes have had a blessed life, being able to live and play freely doing something we love,” Mitchell said. “We know that if it wasn’t for the men and women in uniform protecting that right and our freedom to pursue it our lives could have turned out a lot different.”

Speech contest blends culture of two nations

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YONGSAN GARRISON, Korea – KATUSAs and U.S. Soldiers participated in the 9th Korean and English Speech Contest July 11 at South Post Chapel in Yongsan Garrison.

This year’s grand prize winner was Sgt. Richard A. Kripplebauer, Company B, 532nd Military Intelligence Battalion.

He gave a speech about understanding cultural differences between Korea and United States.

“I am very excited and very pleased,” said Kripplebauer. “I feel good right now because I spent almost a month working really hard on the speech and getting everything ready for this contest. I participated last year and I came back this year. I spent a month studying Korean and two weeks focusing on the speech.”

Sgt. Michael R. Rose, Division Special Troops Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division, took second place. He beat 10 contestants in the Area I preliminary round competition June 22 at the Camp Red Cloud Theater.

“Thanks to the ROKA Staff Office’s best effort in advertising the event, many American Soldiers participated in the contest. Some of contestants partici-

pated last year, and they tried this year again to win the contest.” said Cpl. Yoon, Dong Sik, Area I Republic of Korea Army Staff Office. “Whenever the speakers made mistakes or stumbled over words, crowds gave a warm round of applause for them.”

There was also a performance by Chocolate, who played jazz and classical music with traditional Korean instruments during the intermission.

The final competition began with an opening ceremony, followed by a congratulatory speech from Col. Lee, Yong Il, ROKA Support Group Commander. The chapel was closely packed with more than 300 people in the audience who supported the contestants.

The contest has taken place every year since 1998 to improve Korean-American relationships and fortify the ROK-US Alliance. It also enables American Soldiers to step into the spotlight of the Korean community and demonstrate their efforts in learning the language of their host country. At this year’s Korean Speech Contest, there were seven finalists who passed a preliminary round competition and presented a speech focusing on one of following areas: improvement of ROK-US friendship; the blending of mutual nation’s cultures; or fortifying combined unit cohesion.



Spc. Beth Lake

Splash down!

Caleb Robinson, son of Capt. Alex Robinson of HHS, 6th Bn., 37th FA Regt., plunges into the Camp Red Cloud Pool during swim time at Camp Adventure Summer Camp. The camp, which is open until Aug. 17, is offered for children in 2nd-5th grades.

Chris Cagle brings support, patriotism to Land of Morning Calm

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One of Nashville's biggest stars brought east Texas charm, excitement, love of God and country, and a rowdy live show to Servicemembers across the Republic of Korea in early July.

Chris Cagle was born in DeRidder, La., and raised on the outskirts of Houston, Texas. The son and grandson of veterans, Cagle was raised with a sense of pride, patriotism, and undying faith and allegiance to the flag and the men and women in uniform.

"I was raised on rural dirt road America where hard work and family values are common place," Cagle said. "Living that life you never forget where you come from."

Even with thousands of fans and sold out shows, Cagle brings that small town voice and lifestyle to his music, never forgetting the ones who protect his right and freedom to pursue and live the American dream.

"This is an honor for me and my guys just to be given the chance to say thank you for the service you provide," he said. "The blanket of freedom is warm, and we want you to know we appreciate it."

During his stay in Korea, Cagle took time out to visit Servicemembers on the DMZ to spend a little time with the Soldiers protecting freedom along the 38th Parallel.

"Not to take away from the men

and women in harm's way overseas, but just because there are wars in Iraq and Afghanistan doesn't mean the sacrifice all Servicemembers make daily should go unappreciated and unnoticed," Cagle said.

Growing up, Cagle had always heard war stories from his father and grandfather, which never seemed to hit home with him. On Sept. 11, 2001 his perspective changed, and he saw for the first time the destruction and chaos of which his father and grandfather spoke.

"For the first time I felt like I needed to enlist; I felt that I had to do something," he said.

After much thought, deliberation and advice from his father, Cagle decided to do what he does best: show support for the men and women who serve this country by performing.

"That incident on 9/11, the commitment of our men and women in uniform to go and put themselves in harm's way, for me and millions of other Americans touched me so deeply," he said. "I have written over 15 songs about you all and what you do for us."

However, Cagle said he will not record them to capitalize or make personal gain on Soldiers' sacrifice.

"It was just something I had to do. I had to get it out," he said. "What each and every one of you do for us back home is the ultimate sacrifice, and I will never forget that."

Cagle is no stranger to sacrifice himself. Over the past two years he



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Chris Cagle performs for fans at Camp Red Cloud. The country/western singer toured Korea in June and July, bringing a message of support and appreciation to Soldiers serving on freedom's frontier.

has dealt with his own share of personal and business-related struggles, as well as health issues which almost ended his career.

He was ordered to go on six months' vocal rest, as a cyst on his vocal chords was threatening to take his voice and career away. Cagle persevered through this difficult time and even changed a few bad habits to ensure that he would be able to return to the job he loves.

"Each album I record I view as a snapshot of where my life is at that particular time and unfortunately for me my latest 'Anywhere But Here,' was a reflection of how I felt," he said. "I literally wanted to be anywhere but here."

With the release of a new album slated for later this year, Cagle is eager to move on and get back on the road touring.

"I've never said this before during my career, but I believe this is my best work to date," he said. "I am very excited to get on the road and promote this album. In the Bible it says you learn through that which you suffer, and I feel that I've learned from my struggles. I'm ready to

move on."

Cagle is not a man who thinks of himself more than he should. He enjoys what he does, and he loves and respects the ones who helped him along the way, as well as the ones who continue to keep him on top of his game.

"Fans in this business are a luxury," he said. "I never dreamed I would have the fans I have and the career they've given me."

All the awards and accolades on the wall mean a lot, but they don't take the place of things money can't buy, he said.

"The heroes in this life are not the entertainers and athletes, they are the Soldiers, the Purple Heart (recipients) and the teachers, people who are molding and shaping lives," he said. "They deserve the fame and fortune."

He also said coming to Korea is an experience he will never forget.

"Just to be able to come here to Korea and lift morale means the world to me," he said. "For someone to think that what I do for a living is worth inviting me here to spend time with you, to say thank you, is better than any award I can ever receive."



Upcoming Warrior Country sporting events



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