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Brig. Gen. Paul C. Hurley, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command commanding general, and his wife, Cathy Hurley, host an Area IV Teachers Appreciation Barbecue at their home on Camp Walker, South Korea Sept 7 to give thanks to the U.S. and Korean teachers who teach at the various American schools in Area IV.



Brig. Gen. Paul C. Hurley, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command commanding general, along with senior leaders of the 19th ESC hosts the Republic of Korea Army's Chief of Staff Aug. 21 at Camp Walker, South Korea during the 2012 Ulchi Freedom Guardian exercise.

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KATUSA WINS BEST WARRIOR COMPETITION



Story by,
Cpl. Lim Sung-jun

DAEGU, South Korea - Korean Augmentation to the United States Army soldiers, also known as KATUSAs, are conscripted citizens who, by obligation, put their lives on pause to serve their country.

During their military service with the U.S. Army, KATUSAs have the opportunity to volunteer, excel and lead in areas that are foreign to civilians and Korean soldiers.

Sgt. Hong Su-chan, 25th Transportation Battalion senior KATUSA, took every chance to grow, compete and lead during his two-year service at Camp Henry to set the standard for those who came behind him.

"I have seen several KATUSAs come and go, and he has set the bar for how a KATUSA should act," said Sgt. 1st Class Angela M. Mallard, one of Hong's supervisors. "I have watched him grow since he first came here, and he has always been a true professional and so eager and quick to learn."

Hong started his career taking on a variety of duties such as maintenance, programming and accountability while working in multiple sections.

The high level of responsibility given to Hong while he was a private gave him the thirst to improve his soldiering and leadership skills early in his career before becoming a non-commissioned officer by volunteering for the U.S. Army Warrior Leader Course.

"WLC is about learning leadership skills, training skills and war fighting skills. It was an invaluable experience I would never forget as a good stepping stone for me in becoming an outstanding NCO," Hong said. "I also learned some important character virtues through the course such as teamwork, responsibility, passion, challenge and perseverance."

Hong was chosen to be the senior KATUSA of his unit by the Republic of Korea Army Support Group because of his eagerness to lead.

"He always accomplishes his missions with strong work ethic and professionalism," said Capt. Ko Jae-hun, United States Army Garrison - Daegu Republic of Korea Army support officer. "He has showed and proved himself as one of the most motivated and dedicated soldiers, and that is the reason why he was chosen to be the senior KATUSA of his unit."

"Even before he became a senior KATUSA, he was the most highly motivated KATUSA soldier



in the 25th Transportation Battalion in respect of all the good things that soldiers in the U.S. Army have to achieve such as Army physical fitness test, KATUSA board, M16 rifle range,” said Cpl. Yoon Sang-soo, Hong’s succeeding senior KATUSA. “He always encourages and takes care of the soldiers around him, and tried his best in every task given to him.”

Hong made a special effort to motivate his KATUSA battle buddies as well as U.S. counterparts during his term as senior KATUSA. He continuously sought out ways to encourage soldiers by

Best Warrior Competition as a sponsor for Sgt. Hong,” said Sgt. Neal L. Miller, Hong’s sponsor for the 8th Army Best Warrior Competition. “He showed genuine concern for accomplishing the mission. No one can question his motives and ability to overcome adversity.”

The top KATUSA was chosen from each major subordinate command under 8th Army to compete for the championship, but during the 8th Army 2012 Army Birthday Ball, Hong was crowned as the best KATUSA on the Korean peninsula.

“I have seen several KATUSAs come and go, and he has set the bar for how a KATUSA should act,” Mallard said.

competing in various competitions as to lead from the front and raise the bar of excellence.

“He has been a good role model, motivating all KATUSAs in the unit. He always shows great accomplishments so that other junior soldiers can easily follow the way he achieved it,” Yoon said. “I think he made a great path that every soldier should be heading for.”

Hong received KATUSA of the Year for 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command and Area IV Best KATUSA recognitions which led him to compete in the 2012 8th Army Best Warrior Competition.

“I decided to compete in the Best Warrior Competition in order to test my limit as a warrior and see how much I could strive to reach the top with my skills that I have learned as a warrior,” Hong said.

The six-day competition consisted of an Army physical fitness test, written exam, combative tournament, M4 rifle qualification, day and night land navigation, a mystery event, a board appearance and road march.

“I practiced running every day after work and went to gym at least three times a week,” Hong said. “Also, I memorized all the board questions and answers at the 8th Army level exactly as they were written in the study guide in order to earn high marks in the competition.”

“It was an honor to be a part of the 8th Army

“At first, I doubted if he would make the finals, but when I heard he got selected as the winner of the competition, I felt so proud of him and his unyielding perseverance,” said Hong Dae-yong, his father.

“This accomplishment will be a strong back-up for his future, and I’m sure that he can do anything no matter how hard life will be.”

With his military service ending, Hong has set standards that his seniors, peers and subordinates are proud to follow and uphold.

“He has proudly represented KATUSAs of Area IV by competing and being selected as the champion of the 8th Army Best Warrior Competition,” Ko said. “As a senior KATUSA, he also has been taking care of his junior soldiers with particular attention and responsibility.”

Hong’s endeavors and accomplishments have made him a stronger person returning to the civilian world.

“As standing in a leadership position, I have learned not only how to take care of subordinates, but also how to deal with the relationships between seniors, peers and juniors,” Hong said. “It will be a great experience in my future life to deal with other people around me when I become a leader.”



Good Neighbors travels to Geoje Island

Soldiers tour Korean War historical sites, shipyard, and more



Story & photos by,
Sgt. 1st Class Bryant M. Maude

CAMP HENRY, South Korea – A group of 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command service members and civilians departed the parking lot of the Evergreen Club on Camp Walker bound for cultural tour at Geoje Island, South Korea, June 29.

The trip was sponsored by a group of Korean nationals who are long-standing members of the Good Neighbor Program and organized by the 19th ESC community relations office.

“I am amazed and awed at the operation here ... the equipment they use is incredible,” Lobrecht said.

The first stop was the Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering Company, which is the second largest shipbuilder in the world and one of the “Big Three” shipbuilders of South Korea.

“I didn’t know there was such a company that

built ships here in Korea,” said Lt. Col. Rajesh Lobrecht, 19th ESC G-1 adjutant, who participated on tour with his three children.

After a 13-minute introductory video, the group boarded two DSME buses and took a driving tour of the company’s shipyard. The group was informed that DSME boasts the largest dry-dock in the world.

“The shipyard tour was really nice,” said Romar Banzon, son of Lt. Col. Roy Banzon. “I’m trying to take engineering in college, so I’m interested in seeing them building these ships.”

Group members had the chance to look down from the observation point to get a sense of the company size, which is comprised of 25,000 workers and earned \$11.4 billion in 2010.

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The ships are big, and the equipment they use is incredible,” Lobrecht said.

After the visit to the shipyard, the group boarded the buses bound for their next destination – lunch at the Beef Rack. The Beef Rack is a restaurant where soldiers and civilians were able to select their own meat and side dishes and then cook them on small grills at their table.

“We tried the bulgogi, kimchi, spicy chicken and rice,” said Spc. Lisa Taylor, who went on the tour with her husband and three kids. “We wanted to get out and see something different.”

“It had a lot of original artifacts that depict the actual history of what went on here,” Trevino said.

The next stop of the tour was supposed to be Oedo Island, but due to high winds and rain, the tour guides made a quick adjustment and took the group to the village of Geoje where they toured the Kim Young-sam Presidential Archives and Exhibit Hall, which was named after the 14th president of South Korea.

“I was a little disappointed that we couldn’t go to Oedo Island, but this is pretty nice. It allows us to get to learn a little more of Korean history,” Romar Banzon said.

The Exhibit Hall is housed in a modern two story stone building next to a traditional wood home that Kim Young Sam grew up in and featured a large assortment of artifacts from President Kim’s



time in office that the group members got to interact with.

The final stop for the Island tour was at the Geoje POW Camp, which opened its doors in 1951 to house Chinese and North Korean soldiers who were captured during the Korean War.

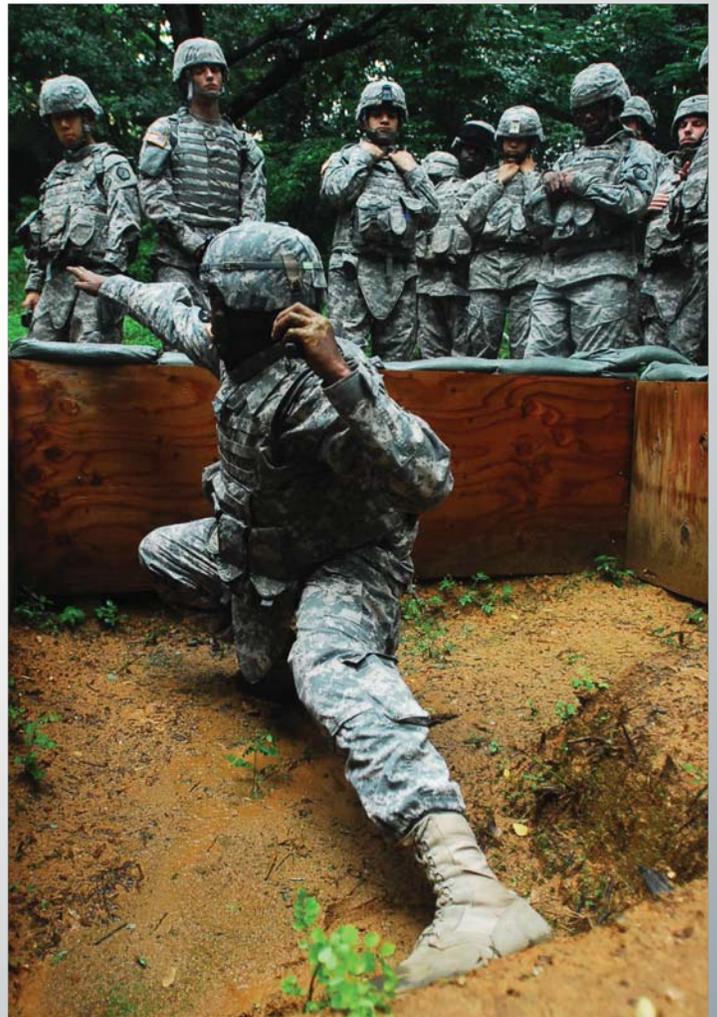
“This place is more interesting than I expected,” said Dannielle Trevino, wife of James Trevino, 6th Signal Center.

The camp allowed soldiers the opportunity to see firsthand a component of war that often goes unrecognized. The tour group was able to walk the grounds and see what life as a POW was like through exhibits illustrating fights, captures, surrenders and insurrections.

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Around Team 19





KANSANS PARTICIPATE IN UFG 12



Story by,
Capt. Maurice Pritz

WICHITA, Kan. – Soldiers from the 451st Expeditionary Sustainment Command, headquartered in Wichita, Kan., spent more than two weeks training alongside their active-duty counterparts in Korea as part of exercise Ulchi Freedom Guardian 2012.

“UFG 12 allowed the active component and Army Reserve to work as a team,” Norris said.

Beginning Aug. 20 and running through Aug. 31, the exercise served as the first annual training for the newly formed 451st ESC and gave more than 60 members of the 451st team the opportunity to learn from 19th ESC personnel stationed in Ko-

rea.

“UFG '12 allowed the active component and Army Reserve to work as a team to develop solution sets for the combined mission, as well as with Republic of Korea forces,” said 451st ESC Command Sgt. Maj. Steve Norris, a resident of Lebanon, Mo.

According to United States Forces Korea, UFG centers

on readiness, deterrence, and, like all Combined Forces Command exercises, the ability to defend the Republic of Korea. The training event allows senior leaders to exercise their decision-making capabilities and trains commanders and staffs

from both nations in combined planning, command and control operations, military intelligence, logistics, and personnel procedures. UFG is named after Ulchi Mundeok, an early Korean military leader who repelled an invasion by China's Sui Dynasty in the 7th century.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Dan Olsen, 451st ESC command chaplain from Tulsa, Okla., also valued his experience during the exercise and saw the benefits to others in the command.

“It gave the 451st staff a good opportunity to grow as a team in an overseas environment,” Olsen said.

Training for the 451st during UFG focused on the mission requirements of an ESC. As a deployable command post for a theater sustainment command,



the 451st ESC must provide operational reach and span of control. This requires 451st personnel to know how to plan and execute sustainment, distribution, theater opening and reception, staging, onward movement, and integration for Army forces within the spectrum of a conflict.

For Norris, UFG gave his Soldiers a new perspective on the complexity of sustainment operations, experience with systems used in real-world applications, and a reference point from which to build upon.

This experience would have been difficult to find elsewhere. UFG is one of only two annual Combined Forces Command peninsula-wide training events and is one of the largest computer simulation exercises in the world. It involves over 30,000 U.S. service members from CFC units training alongside ROK personnel.

It is the chance to train with ROK forces and learn from their culture that Topeka, Kan., resident Capt. Cory Cannon found memorable.

“UFG 2012 gives both the U.S. and South Korean militaries the opportunity to work together in a joint environment, exchanging lessons learned from real-world experience,” said Cannon, the 451st knowledge management officer.

Training exercises like UFG are carried out in the spirit of the 1953 ROK-U.S. Mutual Defense Treaty. These exercises also highlight the longstanding partnership and enduring friendship between the two nations, helps to ensure peace and security on the peninsula, and reaffirms the U.S. commitment to the region.



Champions Embrace RAM Exercise

501st learns to take on terrorism at home

Story and photos by,
Staff Sgt. Robert Dedeaux

CAMP CARROLL, South Korea -- Under the supervision of Sgt. 1st Class Gerald Artis, Soldiers assigned to the 501st Sustainment Brigade conduct Random Anti-terrorism Measures on and around Camp Carroll, Aug. 7 2012.

"RAMs support the Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection programs," said Artis, the ATRF program NCOIC for 501st SBDE. "I or other qualified ATRF personnel inspect them to ensure they are maintaining the proper discipline and are effective in their tasks"

The RAMs are conducted at any time and often several times over a 24 hour period. Tasks include but are not limited to gate checks, vehicle inspections, and

perimeter patrols.

"The purpose is to keep the enemy guessing by avoiding predictability and routines," Artis continued.

In 2010, the Department of the Army declared August to be Anti-terrorism Awareness Month. During this month, the Army promotes its anti-terrorism and force protection programs. These programs are designed to protect personnel, information, property, and facilities in all locations and situations against terrorism.

"Antiterrorism Awareness Month is an excellent opportunity to educate Army personnel and families about iWatch," said Sgt. 1st Class Gerald Artis.

Members of the 501st SBDE maintain their preparedness against terrorism and attacks through annual training such as the iWatch Army Program.

iWatch Army is an Army-wide modern version of the neighborhood watch program focused on the threat of terrorism activity. The program is designed to heighten public awareness to the indicators of terrorist or criminal activity and encourages reporting of suspicious behavior or activity to Military Police or local law enforcement agencies for investigation.

Artis said the Army recognizes the importance of encouraging the community to keep an eye out for suspicious activity.

"People on and off post are extremely important to the overall safety and security of what we do," said Artis. "We all need to stay vigilant because threats exist everywhere. That's why there's annual anti-terrorism training for Soldiers and our civilian workforce."





Daegu Mountain Inn Feeds The Force

Story and photo by,
Cpl. Lim Sung-jun

DAEGU, South Korea - The Daegu Mountain Inn Dining Facility on average feeds 150 Soldiers from Camp Walker and Camp Henry until the 2012 Ulchi Freedom Guardian exercise increased its mission.

The DFAC, which accommodates 120 people at one time, was forced to feed quadruple the amount daily due to an influx of customers here for the exercise.

During UFG, the DFAC provided food services for extra soldiers and servicemen on the Korean peninsula as well as additional forces that came from overseas just to participate in the exercise.

“Unlike normal days, over 700 people came through here during the exercise,” said Sgt. 1st Class John Williams, Daegu Mountain Inn DFAC manager. “All other branches, all the Reserve components, National Guard units and even the ROKA soldiers contributed to the increased number of soldiers coming in here.”

Each soldier on the DFAC staff is equipped to feed 50 customers each per meal, but for the exercise they had to contract out for Korean cooks and get help from other units to serve the largely increased headcount.

During UFG, 8th Army personnel that came down to Camp Walker planned to set up a field

kitchen to feed their personnel, however, the plan was cancelled due to a typhoon that was heading straight for the Korean peninsula.

Therefore, the 8th Army food specialists assisted the Daegu Mountain Inn staff by providing one non-commissioned officer and two soldiers each shift.

On top of their increased mission output, the DFAC provided a Victory Meal in the middle of the exercise to motivate soldiers.

“The Victory Meal was a celebration of well-executed exercise, and it gave Soldiers nutritional meals to boost soldiers’ morale for the rest of the exercise.” Williams said.

The staff of the Daegu Mountain Inn Dining Facility worked longer hours, provided extra meals and fed more customers due to routine training and attention to details.

“They didn’t complain at all even though they worked such long hours, and I really appreciate them for their hard work and dedication without any complaint”, Williams said. “In the future, we will keep trying our best to execute with excellence, serving the most fair and decent meals.”

The Daegu Mountain Inn Dining Facility, who won the Philip A. Connelly Award at the 8th Army level, also fed senior leaders such as Gen. James D. Thurman, United States Forces Korea commander, and Lt. Gen. John D. Johnson, 8th Army commander.



Soldiers Attend Yongsan Retreat

Champions aim to improve marriage and relationships

Story and photo by,
Sgt. Daniel Ferrer

YONGSAN, South Korea – It was three days filled with laughter, learning and relaxation as Soldiers from the 194th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 501st Sustainment Brigade attended the Strong Bonds Marriage Retreat at the Dragon Hill Lodge, Yongsan, Aug 15 – 17.

The Strong Bonds Program, which made its debut in 1999, is a chaplain led program for commanders which is intended to help build relationship resiliency amongst the Soldiers and their family members.

Although this was a marriage retreat, the event was also open to Soldiers who are geographical bachelors/bachelorettes.

Sgt. Cameron Snowden, an electronics warfare sergeant for 194th CSSB, has been married for two and a half years and is also a geographical bachelor. For him, the experience was fruitful.

“The speaker that was chosen puts marriage in a perspective that any age group can understand,” said Snowden. “I was engaged from the very beginning. The speaker brought to light the challenges and solutions to some very real problems in marriage.”

“The most benefit these events have to couples and single soldiers is in Relationship Skills Training,” said Cpt. Jeff Hill, 194th CSSB chaplain in charge of the event. “Unfortunately there seems to be an expectation that relationship skills come to us all automatically but they do not. We seek to provide skills training and an opportunity for individuals to practice what they have learned during free time and other structured events.”

The courses given during the Strong Bonds retreat are a set of videos entitled, *Laughing Your Way to a Better Marriage*, by Mark Gungor, a senior pastor of Celebration Church, which is a multi-site church with five campuses across Wisconsin.

The four-part series focuses on ways to improve communication and how spouses can better understand the opposite sex. Each seminar is filled with humor as well as deep and serious discus-

sions about problems that exist within marriages.

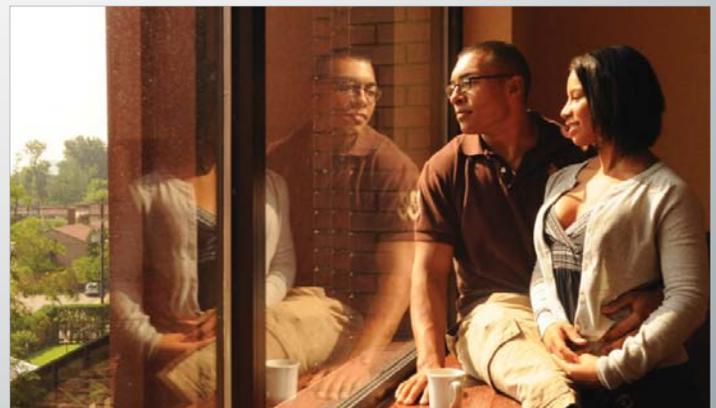
“I enjoyed the seminars that we had during the retreat; they really broke down the issues that many couples experience in a relationship,” said Pfc. Jerrica Glover, 194th CSSB. “It gave myself and probably many others an eye-opener not only with ourselves but our significant others in terms of the way we think and how we interpret things differently.”

“I found the experience to be great for us as a young married couple,” said Glover. “I believe it gave us both useful tools that will help us grow stronger for years to come.”

It wasn't all classes and discussions during the three-day retreat. Following class time, the participants were allowed ample free time to relax and enjoy all of the amenities that the Dragon Hill Lodge had to offer. Nestled in the heart of USAG Yongsan, the Dragon Hill is the premiere lodging destination for US Army Soldiers, who are either in transit or looking for a place to relax during holidays or long weekends.

The Soldiers and their family members were able to relax in the indoor pool, dine at any one of the eight restaurants and bars or they could enjoy the lush complimentary buffet that was included as part of the retreat.

“The whole event was a great experience in general,” said Jerrica. “I enjoyed the classes, the food, the relaxed atmosphere, being with other married couples and the company of my husband of course.”





PROVIDER DAY: 194TH ORG

**Story by,
Sgt. Danielle Ferrer &
Capt. John Pease**

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Korea--Soldiers assigned to the 194th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 501st Sustainment Brigade held "Provider Day" at the Super Gym on USAG-Humphreys, August 3 2012.

The purpose the Organizational Day event is to provide Soldiers and Families of the 194th CSSB, along with our ROK counterparts, a time of unity

while engaging in competition within the Battalion.

Units within 194th CSSB were engaged in these friendly competitions in order to build cohesion amongst the units, share the opportunity to bond with other members of "Team Provider", and enjoy a sunny beautiful Friday on USAG- Humphreys with friends and family.

The day kicked off around 0630 with a Battalion Fun Run. Soldiers from units within 194th CSSB ran about five miles alongside side the Battalion Com

mander, LTC Matthew Williams, for the first time since he has took command of 194th CSSB. Run cadences, chants, and company mottos echoed throughout US-AG-Humphreys to keep Soldiers motivated, and show everyone that crossed our path, how much pride is instilled within 194th CSSB. The standards for the Organizational Day was set early, and set high. Soldiers knew that the day was going to be an exciting and fun time. Provider Day was soon to follow with activities set to start at 0900.



Provider Day was comprised of various sports competitions and activities that everybody could enjoy. Dodge ball, soccer, basketball, and tug-of-war rounded out the sports competitions that Soldiers would compete in for the ultimate prize of the Commanders Cup. Relays, hot-dog eating contest, dunk tanks seated by commanders, pugil sticks, and the Bounce House for Kids were some of the other activities that everyone that attended Provider Day could participate in. When speaking to PFC Matthew Kaszanits before the events kicked off he stated, "I'm very excited about Provider Day. I've been waiting for this day to roll around for several weeks now." He was eager to support his unit in the Dodge Ball Tournament and also hoped he brought enough sun block.

Provider Day started with the Dodge Ball Tournament. Competition was fierce and spectators were able to catch an early glimpse of how competitive Soldiers were in their quest of



ing the Commanders Cup. 520th Maintenance Company won the first tournament. PV2 Raquel Sandoval had a blast playing Dodge Ball. She said, "Provider Day was a good change of pace for me, coming straight from AIT. I have not had the chance to have this much fun in awhile." The Soccer Tournament kicked off shortly after. The tournament lasted throughout out the day but once again 520th Maintenance Company took the victory.

the Basketball Tournament started inside the Super Gym. PV2 Jakeya Pease mentioned that though she was not involved in any of the competitions, she enjoyed the Basketball Tournament the most. It was a chance to take a break from the sun and the crowd was heavily involved in each game. Overall 348th Quartermaster Company won the thrilling tournament. The last event to decide who would win the Commanders Cup was the Tug-Of-War Tournament. Each unit brought their biggest and strongest to the ropes, but 46th Transportation Company proved too mighty and seized a tournament victory.

Though competition was friendly, all Soldiers brought their best to the table. 520th Maintenance Company proved victorious and clinched the Commanders Cup title. 520th also received a free three day pass, courteous of the Battalion Commander, LTC Matthew Williams. Overall, Provider Day was an immense success. Soldiers and Families are already looking forward to the next Provider Day.





Story and photos by,
Cpl. Lim Sung-jun

WAEGWAN, South Korea – The 6th Ordnance Battalion hosted the 10th anniversary of the Hill 303 Wreath Laying and Memorial Ceremony at the Hill 303 monument near Camp Carroll in Waegwan June 15 to honor the spirits of fallen heroes of the Korean War.

Hill 303 was a major battle site during the Korean War where the U.S. 1st Cavalry Division successfully defended Waegwan during the battle. 41 captured U.S. Army's Prisoners of War were killed by North Korean soldiers.

Over 200 people including U.S. soldiers, Korean soldiers, Korean War veterans and local citizens attended the event.

Before the main ceremony, participants climbed atop Jago mountain where the Hill 303 monument is located, as symbolism of the challenges that soldiers who sacrificed their lives had to overcome.

"This memorial ceremony serves as a reminder for our soldiers and leaders today; the importance of the mission, and dedicated support that is required to preserve the freedoms that were born out of extreme hardships due to mountain terrain, desperate fighting and attrition of forces," said Maj. Roland E. Ramirez, 6th Ordnance Battalion executive officer.

The ceremony began with the invocation and continued with memorial addresses by the guest speakers.

"The departed war heroes from

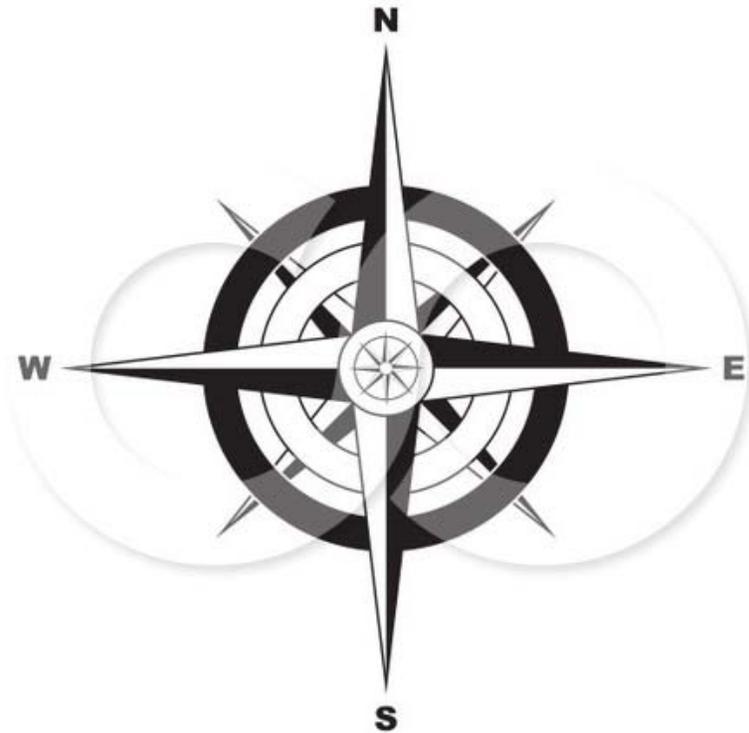


the United States, the most robust alliance of Korea and forever friends, had defended the Hill 303 with desperate courage and strong will of protecting freedom," said Lee Byung-kon, the president of Korean Veteran Chilgok Association. "Without their sacrifice, the peace and the prosperity of Korea could not have been achieved."

Following the ceremony, participants laid flowers in front of the Hill 303 monument to pay tribute to the spirits of those patriots who gave up their lives defending freedom on the peninsula.

"They were our brothers then, just as they are our heroes today, and we will neither forget the magnitude nor the power of their sacrifice," said Col. Kathleen A. Gavle, U.S. Army Garrison – Daegu commander. "We are humbled to be a part of a legacy of freedom and patriotism that you forged with your service so many decades ago and we are honored by your continued memorial of the sacrifices on Hill 303."





MEDIA DAY AT PIER 8

By Cpl. Lim Sung-jun
19th ESC Public Affairs

CAMP HENRY, South Korea - The 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command held a media day to highlight port operations of loading new equipment at Pier 8 in the port city of Busan on Sept 26.

Sixteen reporters from different media outlets including major broadcasting companies in Korea were authorized to report the event to their media stations.

Having transported from the U.S. Central Command, MRAPs, Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicles, were loaded onto trucks to move up north to Material Support Center - Korea at Camp Carroll and to 2nd Infantry Division Brigade Combat Team at Camp Casey.

“These MRAPs will increase the capabilities of our commanders to transport Soldiers and give them the necessary protection to accom-

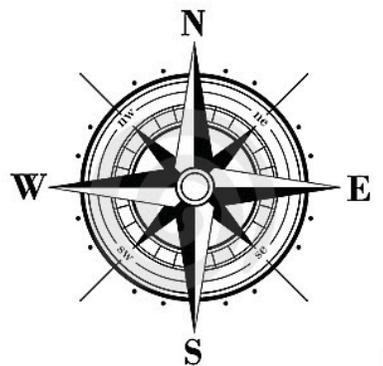
plish their mission.” said Lt. Col. Christopher W. Abbott, 837th Transportation Battalion commander.

Following the opening remarks by Lt. Col. Abbott, reporters were allowed to take photos of the MRAPs as they are loaded on vehicles and interview him under the control of the 19th ESC staffs.

“It was interesting to see how new vehicles from overseas are placed on the Korean peninsula as a protective measure,” said Park Ji-yong, a reporter from one of the media outlets. “And it was a great opportunity to inform the public about the missions the U.S. Army has been conducting so far.”

After a series of technical inspections starting at Pier 8, the MRAPs in Korea will be used for training and will be part of prepositioned stockpiles to provide combat sustainment capabilities to the receiving units by their mission requirements.







501st SBDE Conducts Night Operations

During Ulchi Freedom Guardian

Story and photos by
Staff Sgt. Robert DeDeaux

CAMP CASEY, South Korea – Camp Carroll Soldiers assigned to the 501st Special Troops Battalion, 501st Sustainment Brigade conducted night oriented Soldier Focused missions during the peninsula-wide exercise, Ulchi Freedom Guardian, while on Camp Casey August 16-30, 2012.

Although UFG is designed to exercise Senior Leadership capabilities and train Command and Staffs of both nations, 501st STB also utilized the time to train their soldier in several core tasks.

“CBRN [Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear] awareness, Medical aid and assistance, and Entry Control Point fortification are a few of the classes we will be conducted during the evenings,” explained First Sgt. Rebecca I. Schlegelmich headquarters and Headquarters Company 501st Senior Noncommissioned Officer.

“UFG is a perfect time to train my Soldiers on basic Skill Sets that might have to be performed during night. Medical training will be conducted in a classroom as a safety precaution. ”

The Republic of Korea - United States Combined Forces Command announced Friday that it has successfully completed its annual computer-assisted simulation exercise, Ulchi Freedom Guardian.

UFG is designed to improve the alliance’s ability to defend the Republic of Korea by exercising senior leaders’ decision-making capabilities and by training commanders and staffs from both nations in planning, command and control operations, intelligence, logistics, and personnel procedures.

The exercise is one of two annual Combined Forces Command peninsula-wide exercises and is named after Ulchi Mindeok, a Korean military leader who repelled an invasion by China’s Sui dynasty in the 7th century.



“Sharpe”st of the Bunch

LOGOSTISTIANS ENTER HIGHEST ORDER



Sgt. 1st Class Joseph R. Little, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command G-4 maintenance management Non-Commissioned Officer and Sgt. 1st Class Lajuane T. Thomas, 25th Transportation Battalion detachment sergeant receive the Ordnance Order of Samuel Sharpe award from Col. Craig S. Cotter, 19th ESC deputy commander. The Ordnance Order of Samuel Sharpe recognizes individuals who have served the U.S. Army Ordnance Corps with demonstrated integrity, moral character and professional competence over a sustained period of time.

