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The images in our cover mosaic of this Issue of The Morning Calm illustrate the variety of activities available to U.S. service members, civilians, family members and support personnel assigned throughout the Korean Peninsula. We dedicate this special Welcome Guide to all the people who serve, at work and at home. We hope the information provided in these pages is useful for you all. Welcome to Korea, have a safe summer, and thank you for your service! ~ The Morning Calm Contributing Staff
United States Army Garrison Red Cloud

CAMP CASEY – U.S. Army Garrison Red Cloud and Area I is headquartered at Camp Red Cloud in Uijeongbu, a city of more than 430,000 people, about one hour north of Seoul. Camps Stanley and Jackson are also located in Uijeongbu. U.S. Army Garrison Casey, headquartered at Camp Casey in Dongducheon, a city of more than 90,000, is also part of the USAG Red Cloud and Area I command. Also part of the Casey Garrison enclave are Camps Castle North, Hovey and Mobile.

Through many military families still live in Area I, command-sponsorship is being gradually phased out.

Twice a week in the four years USAG Red Cloud and Area I has been recognized by the Dept. of the Army as a Community of Excellence. And Area I’s Korea Northern Exchange was recently awarded the Army & Air Force Exchange Service’s highest honor, the Director/Ceo Cup, for operational excellence in the medium-size Exchange category.

The USAG Red Cloud and Area I Directorates of Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation’s services are “Second to None” with outstanding recreational opportunities for Soldiers, civilians and families living in Warrior Country.

FMWR Clubs
Area I has five clubs for your dining and entertainment needs. On Camp Red Cloud Mitchell’s Community Club and Conference Center is the place to go for lunch, dinner or for after work refreshments in the lounge bar. Daily lunch 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. weekdays, offering a themed buffet, or soup and salad bar from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., or order off the menu. An a la carte menu is available on Sundays 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Watch for new menus in dining and catering coming in September and think of Mitchell’s for all your catering needs.

Camp Stanley operates Reggie’s Pub, serving many of your hometown favorites. Open Monday-Friday for lunch, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Enjoy dinner and pub Thursday evenings 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays, 4 p.m. The Gateway Club on Camp Casey is the hot spot for all of Warrior Country. It boasts freshly made pizza, sandwiches, wraps, Paninis, desserts and more, and features gourmet coffee. Lunch buffet of pizza and pasta weekdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. No time to come inside? Not a problem. Just call, place your order and we deliver. Inside the club, we never stop with DJs, shows and live entertainment.

FMWR Bowling
There are four bowling centers offering a variety of tournaments, league play and open bowling, not to mention snackbar bars serving popular Hot Stuff Pizza and Game Time Sports Grill serving the best burgers, fries and more. The Casey Bowling Center has been transformed into a pirate ship. Stop in and say Hello to Capt. Jack, and while there try out one of the many specialty Capt. Jack Burgers. Open daily at 11 a.m.

The Camp Stanley Bowling Center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday and Sunday from 12 noon to 10 p.m. if you don’t have time to stop in to pick up one of our Hot Stuff Pizzas, no problem. We deliver.

The Camp Hovey Bowling Center is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., daily. Stop in and try our signature Hovey Burger – the best burger in Warrior Country.

CRRC Bowling Center is open from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sunday – Thursday, and Friday – Saturday 11 a.m. -11 p.m. Stop in and try our famous Chicken Anju or check out our Hot Stuff Pizza. Too hurried to stop in? No problem. We deliver pizzas and more, seven days a week.

FMWR Golf
If golf is your thing, then Warrior Country is the place to be with two nine-hole golf courses – the Indianhead Golf Course on Camp Casey and the Castle North Golf Course on Camp Red Cloud. Free sessions providing an introduction to the game of golf are available by appointment, and free regular adult lessons are to be offered on the weekends. And don’t forget to stop by and check out the Camp Casey Indianhead Golf Course restaurant, open daily, 6 a.m. - 8 p.m.

FMWR Sports, Fitness & Aquatics
Warrior Country is known peninsula-wide for its outstanding sports, fitness and aquatics programs and facilities. There are six physical fitness centers, four swimming pools (three indoor), multiple ball fields and outdoor courts.

FMWR Libraries
Adults and children alike can take advantage of one of the four FMWR libraries – at Camps Hovey, Red Cloud and Stanley – that offer DVD movies and Internet/Wi-Fi access, in addition to a wide selection of books, magazines and newspapers.

FMWR Community Activity Centers
USAG Red Cloud operates four Community Activity Centers. Each CAC offers free Internet/Wi-Fi access, video games, board games, pool tables, free drinking water, free reading, music rooms, a wide variety of tours, games, tournaments and outdoor recreation activities from low-to-high energy adventure sports. They also offer pool tournaments, plastic model-building, remote-controlled car competitions, shopping and amusement park trips and deep-sea fishing. The Casey Paintball Field has proven to be particularly popular. Scuba diving certification classes are also available.

FMWR Auto Skills Center
The Auto Skills Center for USAG-Red Cloud and Area I is located at Camp Casey. The center has three bays and offers classes and self help auto maintenance. They also do the required USFK auto vehicle inspections.

FMWR Outdoor Recreation Center
Also located at Camp Casey, the center offers a broad variety of outdoor adventure programs. Warrior Adventure Quest is a training program offered to units to foster resilience and holistic fitness and wellness. The program is funded by IMCOM G9. The USAG-Red Cloud and Area I ODR was voted this past year as the “Best in the Pacific” by Stars & Stripes readers.

FMWR Arts and Crafts
Arts and Crafts shops continue to provide patrons with an opportunity to learn new skills, such as ceramics, hobby crafts, model building, framing and more.

FMWR Entertainment Division
The Entertainment Division has delivered a variety of live entertainment, such as the Dallas Cowboy cheerleaders, Montgomery Gentry, Cirque Dreams, Sesame Street and others, and talent-oriented competitions like Operation Rising Star. It also plans numerous special events throughout the year, such as Cinco de Mayo, the Labor Day Festival, and Halloween Bash. Another major event is the award-winning Fourth of July celebration.

Child, Youth and School Services
The Camp Casey CYSS has a range of activities for children in the area through coordination between SKIES and local contractors. The CYSS Sports and Fitness department offers a variety for seasonal sports and coordinates with other garrisons on the peninsula for tournaments.

Camp Casey is home to a Child Development Center for children six-weeks old through kindergarten. A School-Age Center for children in first through fifth grades, along with a Youth Center for older children, operates in Bldg. 2475. Also in Bldg. 2475 is a Parent Central Office for registration in all CYSS programs. Registration is currently free to all eligible military families.

FMWR Army Community Service
Army Community Service, re-accredited in 2011, offers FMWR’s programs and services, including the Direct Support of life programs in its center, Bldg. 2451 on Camp Casey. There, ACS offers classes in personal finance, job search/ resume writing, career assessment, volunteer opportunities, parenting, healthy relationships, stress, anger and communication skills.
Following are Commander’s Cup standings as of June 1, 2015

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Commander’s Cup standings are also online at the Area I Facebook page: [https://www.facebook.com/RedCloudCasey](https://www.facebook.com/RedCloudCasey)
On Camp Casey in Dongducheon May 29, Area I celebrates the major renovation of the post’s Gateway Club, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony followed by a tour of the club, free food samples, and an outdoor concert by Gary Sinise and the Lt. Dan Band. The Gateway Club had been closed since September for a stem-to-stern overhaul that included extensive renovation to the club’s exterior and patio area and a full makeover of the interior, with all new décor, room layout, lighting, sound systems, and other improvements. The club will serve as Area I’s premier social hub well into the future, Area I officials said. – U.S. Army photos by Sgt. Noh Ha-kyung and Pvt. Park Sung-ho
(Clockwise from top) Bradley Fighting Vehicles of the 2nd Infantry Division hone their armored warfare skills at the Twin Bridges Training Area; a taekwondo demonstration on Camp Casey dazzles spectators during annual Warrior Friendship Week; face painting is part of the entertainment at the annual Spring Festival on Camp Red Cloud’s Village Green; relay races were one of many athletic events that were a big part of Warrior Friendship Week. – Photos by Staff Sgt. Mark A. Kaufman, Sgt. Samuel Northrup, Sgt. Noh Ha-kyung.
Welcome to the U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan. We are one of the top seven Army installations in the world today.

USAG Yongsan serves the largest population of Americans in Korea with excellence in installation management and customer support while continuously improving quality of life in the U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan community.

"Welcome to Korea," said Col. Maria P. Eoff, garrison commander for USAG Yongsan. "Yongsan is a great place to live, work or visit. Whether this is your first tour in Korea or a return assignment, you can look forward to a personally and professionally rewarding experience in the assignment of choice."

The garrison comprises just over 630 acres located within Yongsan District of Seoul, Korea's capital. Garrison facilities include multiple family housing areas, a large commissary and post exchange, numerous Army Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities, restaurants, indoor and outdoor sports complexes, a library, a bowling alley, a skateboard park, a miniature golf complex, a hospital, three dental clinics, three Department of Defense Dependents Schools, a United Service Organization (USO), a child development center, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, and a self-service gas station. The garrison is also home to the Dragon Hill Lodge. The hotel is operated as an Armed Forces Recreation Center by the U.S. Army in support of the mission. The Dragon Hill Lodge is one of four Armed Forces Recreation Centers around the world.

The garrison consists of two main areas, Main Post and South Post, which are physically divided by a four-lane boulevard that links two Seoul neighborhoods. In 2003, garrison officials constructed a two-lane overpass bridge over the boulevard to solve traffic congestion problems. Collier Community Fitness Center is the community’s primary fitness center. The facility is named in honor of Corporal John Collier, who was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his service during the Korean War. This sports complex is located on Yongsan South Post and features basketball, racquetball, volleyball, baseball, softball, aerobic, and weight training facilities, and also offers authorized patrons a variety of instructor-led fitness training programs. The Collier Field House is also used for community events and town hall meetings.

East of the garrison is the commercial shopping district of Itaewon. With its westernized shopping and nightlife, it is a popular place to visit. To the west of Yongsan is the Samgakji subway station and world famous Yongsan Electronics Market.

The USAG Yongsan community is a vibrant American neighborhood located in the center of the world’s second largest metropolitan area. Yongsan community members are used to a high quality of life, frequent celebrations, picnics, events and a wide variety of activities. For example, the Yongsan Arts and Crafts Center is one of the top such facilities in the Army. In 2007, the Army recognized the Arts and Crafts Center as the best. There are all kinds of classes and activities from a digital photography studio to a woodworking shop.

The Yongsan theater program is another major plus for community members. Local actors are always working on the next production to be performed at the Moyer Theatre.

Bowling centers on K-16 Airfield and Yongsan Garrison offer contests and promotions, league bowling and special events. The Yongsan chapel community offers a wide variety of workshop options at the South Post Chapel and Memorial Chapel at Yongsan Garrison, and at the K-16 Airfield Chapel located in the Community Activities Center. The Army Community Services (ACS) in Yongsan offers several programs for individuals and families, including a free newcomer’s tour, subway classes, Korean food orientation, and more.

The Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (FMWR), and the two USO facilities (located on Camp Kim and Yongsan South Post) offer numerous tours through Korea and beyond.

Due to the nearby Incheon International Airport, Yongsan is a gateway to the rest of Asia. USAG Yongsan truly is "The Community of Choice," where everyone is Yongsan Strong! Above - Approximately 30 Yongsan U.S. and KATUSA Soldiers teamed up with local Korean Nationals to plant dozens of trees and shrubbery in a park near Ichon Station, in honor of Arbor Day, April 2015. Together, the 60 volunteers helped beautify a public space.

At Left - The 2015 Yongsan ACS ‘Autism Awareness’ booth at the Community Fun Fair offered helpful information and an assortment of ACS goodies.

Community Profile

Commander: Col. Maria P. Eoff
Command Sergeant Major: Command Sgt. Maj. Henney Hodgkins
Deputy Commander: Henry Paul Stuart

Location: Seoul, Republic of Korea
Website: army.mil/yongsan


History: Yongsan Garrison is one of nine Army installations that make up U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan. Yongsan is home to the headquarters of the U.S. military presence in Korea, known as United States Forces Korea, as well as the headquarters for the 8th U.S. Army. At the close of World War II, U.S. forces took over the garrison from occupying Japanese Imperial Army soldiers. The newly formed Republic of Korea government granted U.S. forces permission to use the garrison.

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Army Community Services........ 738-7605
Dragon Hill Lodge................. 738-2222
United Service Organizations.... 724-7781
U.S. Embassy Association......... 738-6124
Hospital.................. 737-5558
Postal Service Center............. 738-4412
Equal Employment Opportunity 738-2960
Boy Scouts.................. 738-6131
Girl Scouts.................. 738-6131
Western Union.................. 724-3849
Education Center................. 738-8098
Directory Assistance............. 723-1110

Emergency Numbers:
Abuse hotline........................................ 101
Military Police................................. 110
Medical Emergencies................. 116
Fire.................................................... 101
Emergencies (on-post).................. 911
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Yongsan ACS: Here to serve you

Here are just some of the resources and classes available at the Yongsan Army Community Services

Army Family Action Plan (AFAP)
Army Family Action Plan provides an opportunity for all members of the Army Family to inform leadership at the local installation and the Department of the Army about quality of life issues in the Army and how it can be improved. The FY 2015 USAG Yongsan AFAP conference is in October. Training is provided. If you are interested in becoming part of the AFAP process, contact Ms Bate at 738-7505.

Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator
Interested in dedicating time to help others? At ACS we can teach you how to look for opportunities and track your hours and learn more about how you can help your community by becoming a volunteer.

Employment Readiness Program
ERP is dedicated to assisting in the search for employment, volunteer, and educational opportunities. ERP provides assistance with employment information, employer referral assistance, resume writing, interviewing skills, and dressing for success in today's market.

Exceptional Family Member Program
EFMP is a mandatory enrollment program for families with special needs. To schedule a briefing call DSN 738-7505.

New parent Support Program
NPSP services can enhance parent and infant attachment, increase knowledge of early childhood development, and provide connections to the support services that allow parents to become nurturing and capable caregivers. We offer the following services:

Day 3 Training
Spouses are welcome to attend Day 3 Training. The training consists of various organizations, including ACS, AER, Family Advocacy, and SHARP. No registration is required. No children please. Class is held at the Theater from 0930-1700.

Newcomers Orientation Tour
A windshield tour designed to offer information and location on schools, housing, employment, medical care facilities, recreation, and other community services. The Newcomers Orientation Tour visits designated Korean area of interest, like Insadong or the Seoul Tower area. After the tour the attendees are provided a free Korean lunch. For more information or to register, please contact ACS at 735-7505. Registration is required.

Lending Closet
Basic household items are available for Soldiers and Families arriving or leaving USAG Yongsan while household goods are in transit. Orders and identification cards are required to check out items. Available inventory includes, eating utensils, dishes, pans, rice cooker, ironing boards, high-chairs, and many other items. Walk-ins always welcome.

Transportation 101
This is intended for the novice in USAG Yongsan. Class provided to familiarize Newcomers with the transportation system in Korea. A short instructional portion in class describes the transportation system then the fun begins when you head out to the subway. Transportation 101 is the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 0800-1300 hrs with class time from 0900-10:00 a.m.

Korean Language Class (KLS)
Learn basic Korean and it is FREE! Class is taught by a contractor and held for 8 sessions on Tuesday and Thursday's from 5:30-6:30 in the ACS building. Registration is required.

Family Readiness Group
Family Readiness Group provides an experience.

Financial Services
Free financial services for Service Members and Family Members are available at the ACS. We offer financial classes, briefings, and individualized counseling sessions. You can call or walk-in to register for a class. We can also bring classes to your unit, FRG meetings, or social functions.

English as a Second Language
Learn basic English and it is FREE! Class is taught by a contractor, 8 sessions, from 1700-1900 hrs on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the ACS building. Registration is required.

AREA II EVENTS CALENDAR

• Beach Blast 2015 (Registration until June 5), at Moyer Outdoor Recreation Center/Boss
• June 12: Army Birthday Celebration and CDC Book Reading
• June 12: CDC Strong beginnings Graduation, R&R, 6:30-10 p.m.
• June 15, Army Birthday - Cake at ACS
• June 15: Week #1 of 10- Summer Programming and Activities
• June 17, Las Vegas Night, R&R Bar and Grill
• June 21, Father's Day Outdoor BBQ, R&R Bar and Grill
• June 26: Welcome Fridays- Youth Summer Transition, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
• July 2, US Embassy National Day, 6-9:30 p.m. with Fireworks
• July 4, USAG-Yongsan Independence Day Celebration, in Collier area (July 4th Festival includes Live Entertainment All day, Fireworks after dark)
Foreigners Feel At Home At Columbia Dental Clinic

US-educated Dentists Offer Comprehensive Dental Care.

Like a lot of foreigners who move to Seoul without speaking Korean, 15 year-old Angela Castillo was nervous about not being able to communicate with her healthcare providers. Until the Castillos, from San Antonio, Texas, found the Columbia Dental Clinic, Angela says that getting dental work was frustrating, “because no one could explain it in English. I want to know what’s going on with my teeth.”

A year ago, her mother, Insun Castillo was referred to Columbia Dental by an American friend, and Angela felt comfortable immediately. “They speak English, and they take good care of my teeth, even though I’ve always had teeth problems.”

Shortly after Angela got her first braces at Columbia Dental, she needed intensive procedures to correct overcrowding. “It was scary, but they always made sure that I was all right and that nothing was hurting.” On top of the good care, Angela’s mother, Insun, likes that the clinic is extremely convenient, especially because it’s set-up for TRICARE coverage. “In other places, they don’t know how to do the paperwork for TRICARE, but here, there is everything we need. There’s even valet parking”. Now, Insun, Angela, Jadon, and Ret. Military Rank Mr. Castillo are all regular patients. “Dr. Yun has really taken care of our family,” said Sarah Burns, age 13 from Kansas. Michael Burns and his family moved to Seoul from Kansas City, Oklahoma a year ago. Sarah started with braces and then the rest of the family started visiting the clinic too. “He’s also good with younger children, like my brother, Joshua, who is 8 years old. Dr. Yun is a good mix of professional and kind.”

For the Lenfant family, Columbia Dental was a critical link in continuing the quality of service they’d had in the States. “Dr. Yun is U.S educated and licensed, with significant experience” said Col. Babette Lenfant and her husband Phil, who brought their 12 year-old son in for Phase 2 orthodontic treatment. “On the basis of comparison with an American orthodontic clinic, other U.S. general dentistry clinics and a renowned general dentistry clinic in Seoul, Columbia Dental Clinic stands out as one of the best we have ever experienced.”

Wide-range of dental treatments provided at columbia dental clinic

Columbia Dental Clinic is proud to introduce H. Kim, DDS. She joined us with her great expertise in Pediatric (Children) Dentistry.

- Seoul National University: College of Dental
- Seoul National University: MS in Department of Pediatric Dentistry.
- Seoul National University Dental Hospital: Pediatric Dentistry Residency.

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Check out world-famous ‘Gangnam’ in Seoul

Gangnam-gu, Seoul - The Korean pop song “Gangnam style” by Psy, has become one of the most popular songs around the peninsula and world-wide. Gangnam Style is so popular that numerous celebrities showcased the Gangnam style dance on their television shows and famous athletes perform Gangnam style during their dancing ceremonies after scoring points in their sport. Even a U.S. Navy humanoid robot, named CHARLI-2, danced the Gangnam style dance on 24 Oct. 2012 at Virginia institute of technology.

Although most international fans don’t understand the majority of the lyrics, the word “Gangnam” remains engraved on many people’s tongues as they sing along to the song’s catchy tune. These fans seem to know that Gangnam refers to a location in Korea, however, many are unaware of the implications alluded to by the song, when it refers to “Gangnam style.”

Gangnam district officially referred to as Gangnam-gu, and is one of the 25 gu or local government districts, which make up the city of Seoul. According to the 2012 census, Gangnam is recorded to have a population of 527,641, making it the fourth most populated district in Seoul. According to the 2012 census, Gangnam is recorded to have a population of 527,641, making it the fourth most populated district in Seoul. The Gangnam subway station area is one of the largest meeting points for young people, due to all the famous restaurants and hang-out places located there. The subway station itself and the roads around it are directly connected to many popularized districts in Seoul, including Yangjae, Bundang, Sadang and Hannam. Its geographical and commercial merits naturally lead the place to become more developed.

The best shopping experience in the district can be found in Apgujeong-dong and Chungdam-dong, where department stores and many other fashion stores are concentrated. The COEX mall at Samsung subway station is another popular multi-complex shopping mall where many restaurants, theaters, stores, and other places including the aquarium are located.

At Gangnam, people can also learn about Korean culture. The Kimchi museum at COEX informs the world about one of the essentials of Korean cuisine, Kimchi. And at Bukkwiwon, the World Taekwondo Headquarters, people can experience taekwondo basic stances, self-defense and board breaking at the low cost of 20,000 won.

Close to the modern COEX mall is the Buddhist Bongeunsa temple. It is a unique place to visit as travelers can enjoy the peaceful temple-like atmosphere in the middle of such a populated city. The temple offers a “temple stay program” where tourists can experience the life of a monk for a few hours.

Garosougil, which literally means “tree-lined street,” is best known for cozy restaurants and cafés. In addition to big franchise cafés, there are also several small cafés which offer their own unique menus. One of the highlights of these cafés is that they serve famous fusion Korean style desserts. Patbingsoo is a popular dessert, which has sweet red-bean porridge fondue covered in ice flakes and syrup. Various Patbingsoo with different toppings and flavors are available.

Since Gangnam literally means “South of the River,” Gangnam also has a huge boating culture, including wind surfing, and water skiing near the Han River. Also, Chungguye stream and Yangjae stream run through Gangnam, providing a modern public recreation space in downtown Seoul.

All Service members and community members assigned in South Korea have easy access to the many venues. Consequently, it would be a big mistake not to look into the great opportunities offered by Gangnam. If you need a guide, ask a Korean Augmentee to the United States Army Soldiers (KATUSA), who will gladly show you around.

This is part one in a special series of introducing the famous cities in Korea. Keep following up with the series and take your opportunities to experience more about Korea while you can. ☺
When you arrive in Korea at Incheon International Airport, one thing is almost certain - you will be tired and wish you were anywhere else rather than dealing with paperwork. Do not, under any circumstances, try to bring weapons or contraband into Korea. While the customs inspectors are pleasant and helpful, they are also very thorough. Contraband, such as drugs and deer antlers, will get you in trouble not only with the Koreans but also the U.S. Military Police.

All incoming personnel must first process through the 1st Replacement Company desk at the airport. Inbound Army personnel must use the 1RC bus to Yongsan Garrison. Soldiers have to use this form of transportation, unless a sponsor has obtained prior clearance from 1RC. This policy applies to staff sergeants and below. Senior noncommissioned officers and officers can be picked up by a sponsor if they get prior clearance. For information, call 723-6452, or commercial 0505-723-6452.

At Incheon International Airport, newcomers are met by U.S. Forces Korea reception personnel at the baggage claim area. If you do not see the reception personnel in the terminal, go through the entire customs and immigration and baggage claim process with your leave form, orders and identification card ready. For civilians only, make sure your passport is stamped.

You should look for the U.S. Military Liaison Office located near Gate 14. There are several exits out of the baggage claim area. If you are unsure which exit is correct, go ahead and depart any exit. You should read the monitors located above the exit doors. Your flight number will be posted with an exit door letter. If you have exited the wrong way, don’t worry, you will be able to easily walk to the correct exit.

Once you have met your sponsor, they will most likely take you directly to your lodging, but please check-in to 1RC first. The first night’s lodging is paid for by 1RC, but only if personnel check-in. The 1RC will also be able to advise you where you need to go for in processing. For civilians only, if you need to go to Yongsan on your own, go through any of the exit doors. You can either take a taxi (expensive) or the Dragon Hill Lodge shuttle (free) to Yongsan Garrison. If you wish to take the bus, look for signs to the USO desk, located at Gate 14.

If the USO desk is open, they can tell you when the bus to Yongsan is departing. Since you will be in permanent change of station status, you and your family members will have priority above anyone else wishing to ride the bus, aside from any others in PCS status.

Taxis are located outside the terminal. Army and Air Force Exchange Service taxis have English-speaking drivers. The AAFES taxis, which are black with gold letters, park to the far right as you exit the airport. The AAFES taxi stand is near Gate 14. For information, call 02-7913-5550. All AAFES taxis have meters, that read in Korean currency, but drivers accept U.S. dollars.

If you take a Korean taxi, be sure to have Korean currency. Try to select a cab which has clearly visible identification about both the driver and vehicle. A taxi ride to post will cost about $50-$60. Passengers traveling on foreign airlines at the Incheon International Airport should use the newly-opened terminal building. Until now, both domestic and foreign airlines have used the existing terminal.

With the opening of the new terminal building, the moving line for arrival and departure procedures will be significantly changed. Arriving at the existing terminal, passengers of foreign airlines should go through check-in and departure procedure, and get on STARLINE (shuttle railway) at the underground of terminal to move to the new terminal building. It takes about 10 minutes to get to the terminal building including walking. During arrival, take STARLINE at the terminal building, move to the existing terminal and go through the arrival procedure.
Whether you’re looking to spend an afternoon browsing the latest products in a spacious department store or pick up some souvenirs in a traditional Korean market, there’s always a place to shop in Korea. For information on all the shopping venues listed (and more) visit www.tour2korea.com

Myeong-dong Shopping District
Offers clothes, accessories and shoes
Seoul Subway Line 4 Myeongdong Station Exit

Namdaemun Market
Offers food, tableware, clothes, jewelry, shoes, eyeglasses, and cameras
Seoul Subway Line 4, Hoehyeon Station Exit

Dongdaemun Market
Offers clothes (including Hanboks), jewelry, shoes, and sports wear
Seoul Subway Line 2 Dongdaemun Stadium Station, or Line 1 or 4 Dongdaemun Station

Insa-dong
Offers souvenirs, traditional crafts, and artworks
Seoul Subway Line 1, Jonggak Station

Itaewon
Offers clothes, shoes, antiques and tailor shops
Seoul Subway Line 6, Itaewon Station Exit 1,2,3

Apgujeong
Offers luxury brand boutiques

COEX Mall – Underground Shopping City
www.coexmall.com (English)
Exit No. 5 and No. 6 of Samseong Subway Station (Seoul Subway Line No. 2) are connected to the COEX Mall.

Seoul Medicine Market
Hours are 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Closed first and third Sunday of each month
Located near Dongdaemun, Subway – Line 1 Jegi Station Exit #2 – which is connected to the Seoul Medicine Market

Daegu Medicine Market (Jung-gu Daegu)
Hours of Operation: Mon-Fri 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (until 5 p.m. during the winter)
Saturdays, holidays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sundays
Five min from the Banwoldang Subway Station and Jungangno Station

E-Mart
Located throughout Korea, E-Mart offers a wide selection of products ranging from electronics, entertainment, apparel, toys, jewelry, grocery, household goods, and more.

Lotte World Shopping Mall and Lotte Mart
Adjacent to Lotte World amusement park in Seoul; Lotte Mart contains a Toys R Us.

Lotte Department Store is located throughout the Korea region.
All new families are encouraged to register as soon as they arrive in Seoul. Go to the Community Services Building, Building 4106, located across the street from Dragon Hill Lodge and adjacent to Popeyes. For schools other than Seoul, you will take all paperwork directly to the school office to register your students.

The registration offices will require that certain specific items be presented to register your child. You will need to bring a copy of the sponsor’s orders, the student’s immunization records, identification cards and date of estimated return to States or extension (if applicable).

You must also have sponsor and student social security numbers. Children entering grades kindergarten first or should show a birth certificate or passport. At all entering kindergarten must be 5 years old by Oct. 31. If your child is not included on your orders, a copy of the Family Entry Approval will also be necessary.

Naval personnel must contact the Personnel Support Detachment to acquire a letter stating the names of the children accompanying them. The telephone number of the Seoul registrar is DSN 738-7777. Alternate number to obtain information regarding the schools is the Korea District Superintendent’s Office at DSN 738-6922.

Seoul School Bus Transportation

Off-post residents should register for school bus transportation at the same time you register for school. School bus registration is located in Building 4108, with the school registrar. For information, call DSN 738-5932.

Seoul American Elementary School

With classes in grades preschool to fifth grade, a staff of 113 and 1,200 students, Seoul American Elementary School is one of the largest elementary schools in the Pacific Region.

Known for its extensive curriculum program, SAES also offers programs for special needs students, counseling, enrichment, English as a Second Language, music and physical education programs. SAES offers a four-year carryover program for four-year-old children identified as “at risk” for educational success.

This program is similar to the Head Start program implemented in many of the school districts in the United States.

Seoul American Elementary School will start at 8 a.m. and will dismiss at 2:15 p.m. Students in kindergarten through fourth grade are required to remain at school during the lunch period. For information, visit www.seoul-es.pac.dodea.edu or call the school at DSN 738-4613. Principal’s office: 738-4615/5676.

Seoul American Middle School

Seoul American Middle School serves approximately 450 students in grades 6-8. A staff of 86 dedicated to the academic growth of all students provides an age-appropriate program designed to meet the needs of middle school learners.

Seoul American Middle School starts at 8:35 a.m. and dismisses at 3:20 p.m. There is one lunch, from 12:35-1:05 p.m. Students are required to remain on the school campus during lunch. For information, visit www.seoul-es.pac.dodea.edu. Principal’s office: 738-7646.

Seoul American High School

Seoul American High School is a new school, known to be comprised of approximately 700 students in grades nine through 12 and a staff of 74. SAHS offers a curriculum designed to fit the college-bound student including advanced placement courses, a Professional Technical Studies program, College Academy I and II, Computer Service and Support, and a Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program.

There are new courses in reading, algebra support, and Chinese. Seoul American High School will begin classes at 7:35 a.m. and conduct classes 2:40 p.m. Lunches from 12:30-1:10 p.m. Principal’s office: 738-5655/5261. For information, visit www.saes.pac.dodea.edu.

Humphreys Central Elementary School

Humphreys Central Elementary School is located in Humphreys on USAG-Humphreys near Pyongtaek City. The school opened in 2013 for grades K-5, and has approximately 600 students.

Students will also receive art, music, physical education, computer technology, and host nation instruction. There is special education, English as a Second Language and Enrichment Program for those students who qualify. A counselor and nurse will be on the staff. Registration takes place in the school office throughout the year. Bus registration also is completed in the school office. Principal: Joyce Dogg (7534313). Contact: 7534313. For information, visit www.h Humphreys-ES.pac.dodea.edu.

Humphreys Middle and High School

Humphreys Middle and High School is located on USAG Humphreys in nearby Pyongtaek City. The school opened in 2014 and has approximately 400 students, in grades 6-12.

Principal: Shelly Kennedy (7534930). For information, visit www.dodea.edu/pacific/korea/ usagh/humphreys/humphreys HS.

Osan American Elementary School

Osan American Elementary School is located on Osan Air Base, Songdang Pyongtaek City. The school hours are 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. There are approximately 375 students enrolled in Osan American Elementary School.

OAES offers the core curriculum and in addition provides English as a Second Language, Gifted Education, services for learning-impaired and communication-impaired students, art, music, physical education and Korean Culture. Extracurricular activities are offered two days a week. Access to technology education is presented in one of two computer labs for preschool to grade 6.

Registration takes place throughout the year in the main office. Principal: 752-69412. Bus registration is held in the high school. Principal’s office: 752-69412.

Osan American Middle/High School

Osan American High School provides education for 360 students, grades seven through 12. School hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Students are bussed from USAG Humphreys to Osan American High School. Osan American High School also offers a full academic program to include computer science and support technology classes for students. There is an Air Force ROTC program.

Registration takes place throughout the year in the main office. Telephone number: 784-6076.
Jeju Island, designated as Special Self-Governing Province, lies southwest of the Korean Peninsula and is the largest tourist destination in Korea. The whole island was designated as a special tourist zone, and wherever tourists go, they can look upon beautiful sceneries.

Among the many breathtaking spots to check out on the island, Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak, Manjanggul Cave, bija tree forests, lava tubes, and waterfalls are the major attractions that shouldn't be missed out. The island has been receiving lots of love due to its mild and warm temperature experienced all year round. Therefore, it is heavily visited by honeymooners, families and students who go on field trips. In addition, thanks to the increasing number of low cost carriers landing on Jeju airport, visitors from abroad are also finding the trip to Jeju very attractive. There are certainly more reasons to visit, including great sceneries found everywhere, the relaxing lifestyle of Jeju residents, and unique cultural assets that this island has to offer.

Jeju has three priceless natural sites that deserve conservation and continuous attention from around the world. That is the reason why the UNESCO enlisted Hallasan National Park, Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak and Manjanggul Cave as the world’s heritages, and these three sites when combined, makes up almost 10% of Jeju’s total land area.

Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak, dubbed as Jeju’s landmark, was formed from volcanic activity that erupted about 5,000 years ago from the ocean bottom. This gave Jeju to exhibit a distinguishable geological feature and structure that almost resembles a seongsan, literally translated to gigantic mountain of castles. Among the many oreums (lava tubes) available on the island, Seongsan Ilchulbong is said to offer the most exquisite backdrop over sunrises.

Another popular volcanic site frequented by visitors is Geomun Oreum. The oreum was created between 100,000 to 300,000 years ago, when lava flew from the crater moving along the coastal slope, forming 7.4 kilometers deep hole as a result. However, visitors can only enter 1 kilometer-long path due to safety reasons. The distance is relatively short, but it is enough for visitors to see incontestably unique ecological features created by natural phenomenon.

Many travelers coming to Jeju Island agree visiting Seopjikoji as their top priority. Seopjikoji in spring, especially in April is more often than not, visited by many photographers and non-photographers alike as carpets of beautiful canola blooms adds an extra tinge of delight to the trip.

A lighthouse located near the cliff’s end is a good indication that you are drawing nearer to Seopjikoji. Taking seven to eight minutes by drive from Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak, this location was featured in TV drama All-in (2003). After the series came to an end, its filming set has turned into different shapes and uses. However, the nostalgic memories and romantic ambience from the story still remained, drawing back many drama fans and generations of that time.
Trekking is also a good activity for either a light exercise or sightseeing here. Upon entering, Genius Loci building constructed by architect Ando Tadao is yet another attraction that greets visitors on the site. There are hundreds of oruems, or parasitic volcano, scattered out on several hilltops of various locations in Jeju. The numbers are estimated to be close to 360, and among the batch, Yongnuni Oreum is without a doubt the most well-known. It has a moderately gentle slope as compared to others, providing fairly easy trail for trekking. When reaching its top, both Seongsan Ilchulbong Peak and Udo islet comes into a big picture, creating a magnificent view for one to remember. This hot spot was also shown in the movies such as A Werewolf Boy (2012), TV drama Goddess of Marriage (2013) and more. Whilst Yongnuni Oreum will give you a clear view of the ocean, Bijaerim Forest is an ideal place for a relaxing forest bathing retreat. This botanical garden, hounded with heavy dense nutmeg trees (or bija namu in Korean) grown naturally, was designated as a natural monument in 1993 (Natural Monument No. 374). Large clusters of the trees have lived for at least 500 to 800 years. One noticeable in the middle of the forest is, an 800-year-old, ‘Ancestor of the Bija trees’.

Seogwipo, which expands to include the entire southern half of Jeju, exhibits a great amount of sunshine and warmer temperature that is almost similar to that of a tropical climate. The sounds of a waterfall can indeed make one desire to go for a short rest and cooling session, especially during hot summer days. The Seogwipo area proudly presents Jeongbang Fall, one of the top three waterfalls in Jeju. Situated by a 23m tall sea cliff, it can make anyone giddy just by the look down from it. There is an art gallery at the top of the cliff that is operated by artist Lee Wal-chong. He moved and docked at this island some decades ago, falling in love with inspiring sights of Jeju. These characteristics are also found in his works that are displayed at the gallery. The strategic location also gives visitors with amazing views looking over the Seogwipo Sea.

Jungmun Tourist Complex is blessed with not only beautiful natural sceneries but is filled with numerous entertainment and convenient facilities catering to both domestic and international tourists. Near International Convention Center Jeju, the Jungmun Daepo Jusangjeolli Cliff delivers a sight to behold. The pillars are piled up all along the coastal line, where one will be able to capture some dramatic scenes of Jeju. Also, beautiful hexagonal columnar formations spread before your eyes offering breathtaking vistas in addition to the nice promenade, good for a little adventure.

Enjoy the sea breeze as you walk, and Cheonjeyeon Falls will appear shortly. The waterfall consists of three interesting parts, where water from the first waterfall flow into second and third waterfalls, which eventually flows into the sea. Water runs through all year round at second and third waterfalls, while the first will remain dry if there is insufficient rainfall.

Another favorite tourist spot at the Jungmun Tourist Complex is the Teddy Bear Museum. The museum boasts quite an impressive variety that has been loved for more than a hundred years, giving plenty of entertaining facts and adorable bear dolls on display that adults will also fancy. The ‘Alfred’ bear featured in popular k-drama Princess Hours (2006) can also be seen in the museum. Outdoor sculpture park for photo taking and gift shops for visitors to buy teddy bear souvenirs are also available.

Yongduam Rock (Dragon Head Rock) - Samseonghyeol - Jeju Folklore & Natural History Museum

Yongduam Rock, undeniably Jeju City’s top tourist attraction, is one of the many natural wonders of Jeju Island. Formed by underwater lava millions years ago, eons of weathering from the rain and wind have formed it into the likeness of a dragon’s head. After visiting Yongduam Rock, and if you find yourself curious about life in the ancient times of Jeju Island, wander down to the Jeju Folklore & Natural History Museum. Not only does Jeju Island have a particular dialect, it also has a distinct culture that separates from the rest of mainland Korea, all of which you can see and enjoy in just a quick tour around the museum.

Right next to the museum is Samseonghyeol, a religious site that is also the birthplace of Jeju’s ancient mythology. Samseonghyeol is not only historically significant, but it is also a fascinating ecological site, which may be small yet has a captivating energy that you will certainly not forget.

Another favorite tourist spot at the Jungmun Tourist Complex is the Teddy Bear Museum. The museum boasts quite an impressive variety that has been loved for more than a hundred years, giving plenty of entertaining facts and adorable bear dolls on display that adults will also fancy. The ‘Alfred’ bear featured in popular k-drama Princess Hours (2006) can also be seen in the museum. Outdoor sculpture park for photo taking and gift shops for visitors to buy teddy bear souvenirs are also available.
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Korean food basics

Various types of kimchi, top to bottom: Traditional cabbage kimchi, cucumber kimchi, radish kimchi. — All photos U.S. Army Photos by Debbie Hong unless otherwise noted.

Various Korean foods

Utensils, Tableware

Rice (uncooked)  :  bol   Sea Salt   :  jeotkarak
Knife   :  kal   Beef   :  samgyeopsal
Fork   :  pokkeu   Pork   :  doenjang jjigae
Tea Spoon   :  sujeo   Broth   :  gom
Chopsticks   :  jeotkarak   Chicken   :  mandu
Napkin   :  nepkin   Lamb   :  jjajangmyun
Bowl   :  geureut   Corn   :  eomuk
Plate   :  jeopshi   Bamboo Shoots   :  geureut
Cup   :  jan   Kimbap   :  samgyeopsal

Useful restaurant phrases

May I have a cup of coffee?
가마ohan sujeo?

Coffee hanjan juseyo.

Looks great.

Majokdabneom?

Mashigittaseumrida.

Thanks for the meal. Before eating

Jalgeukdol seumrida.

It's on me.

Jaegi saljogayo.

Jega salkeyo.

You’re welcome.

Chumaneoyoo.

Why don’t we get a drink?

Nol hanjot eodaeyo?

Sul hanjeon eodaeyo?

Thank you.

Gamsahapnida.

It’s very delicious!

Neomu maititaseumrida!

Why not spicy, please.

Neomu maepge haji maje seomoe.

Sounds great.

Jora.

It’s my favorite!

Jega gajojie hanjeon gupshimpanida.

Would you like something to drink?

Yeond quotinge deureumkayo?

Eumyousu jum deureumkayo?

Which food would you like?

Neomu eomcheul deureumkayo?

Eotteon eomcheul deureumkayo?

Where is the restroom?

Chumiljeol?耐어디요?

Hwajangdilo eodojo?
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★ Intramural Softball Tournament (0900-1900, Field #5)
★ Inflatable Playground Area (1200-1900, Field #12)
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  8th Army Band Performance
  Korean Entertainment
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**Micro Units**
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2.  
3.  

*By Cpl. Lee Hyo-Kang, USAG Yongsan Public Affairs Office*
Camaraderie found through shared hardships

By Sgt. Jesse Smith
2nd Combat Aviation Brigade

CAMP HUMPHREYS — The Soldiers stood up straight with their hands at their sides. Laid directly in front of them was a pit of sand and water covered by a camouflage net like a canopy over a deck. They had dragged water jugs and each other under that netting. To their left was a fake horse stable where they had removed all of the dirt and to their right a fake cannon which they had positioned to combat a fake enemy. All of these objects were used as obstacles for the Soldiers. They still stood there with the mud caked to their uniforms and their voices loud. “Halfway down the trail to hell...”

The Soldiers were from the 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade and, along with their Republic of Korea army counterparts, had just completed the physical training portion of a “Spur Ride,” a U.S. cavalry tradition, on May 29 at the Freedom Field on Camp Humphreys in the Republic of Korea.

Spc. Benjamin J. Shin, a powertrain repairer for the 2-6th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd CAB, was one of the Soldiers who completed the “Spur Ride.”

“It is one of the oldest traditions in the Army,” Shin said. “It allows us to prove to our unit what we are made of.”

The “Spur Ride” consisted of several different events the Soldiers had to complete to include water training, survival, weapon assembly, care under fire, vehicle recovery, physical training, an eight-mile ruck march and they had to set up a forward ammo and refueling point.

“The most difficult event was definitely the ruck march,” Shin said. “It was the very last obstacle and we were already drained.”

Command Sgt. Maj. Gerardo Gonzalez, the 2-6th Cavalry Regiment command sergeant major, was another Soldier who completed the “Spur Ride.”

“We completed a variety of cavalry tasks with a large dose of camaraderie through shared hardships,” Gonzalez said. “The entire experience brought the unit closer together.”

Gonzalez said he was in a cavalry unit when he was a junior enlisted Soldier, but when he became a noncommissioned officer he was never able to be a part of this longstanding tradition.

“It is a great feeling to finally be a part of the brotherhood of the spur,” Gonzalez said. “This was a long time coming for me.”

Being able to go through these events now with his troopers, Gonzalez said he was able to feel the same pain and failures his Soldiers were feeling which made him feel closer to them. One of the more painful events for Gonzalez’s team was the water training.

The water training, which was run by Chief Warrant Officer 3 Stephen Mestas, the standardization instructor pilot and a spur holder with the Troop C, 2-6th Cavalry Regiment, was a difficult event for untrained swimmers.

“All of the Soldiers did outstanding,” Mestas said. “Regardless of their abilities, they came out and showed the teamwork that we wanted to see.”

Mestas received his spurs back in 1999, and said that not much has changed in the “Spur Ride” tradition.

“When you came to a cavalry unit, this is what you wanted to do,” Mestas said. “This was the next level, and after this you get to pass on your knowledge as a mentor.”

The troopers and ROKA soldiers finished the event with breakfast and the presentation of their spurs. Each team had to recite the cavalry poem from memory. They had been worn down and tired out, but every Soldier was as loud as a helicopter spinning its blades and ended with “…and go to Fiddler’s Green!”

By Sgt. Jesse Smith
2nd Combat Aviation Brigade

A Soldier from the 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade learns about a .50 cal. machine gun May 29 at the CBRN range near Camp Humphreys in the Republic of Korea. The event was part of the unit’s cavalry tradition called a ‘Spur Ride’.

A Soldier from the 2nd Squadron, 6th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade and a Republic of Korea Army Soldier start a fire May 29 as a portion of survival training at the CBRN range near Camp Humphreys in the ROK. The Soldiers had to show they could survive in an austere environment with limited resources.
News & Notes


garnish Charge of Command Ceremony
Monday, June 16: U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys will hold a Change of Command Ceremony beginning at 10 a.m. on Freedom Field. For more information, call 753-8950.

The Humphreys Tax Center
Now until June 25: It’s not too late to get your 2013 taxes filed! The Humphreys Tax Center will remain open through June 25. The Tax Center is open Monday-Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. The Tax Center is located at 1127. If you can walk to the Tax Center for same day service or unable to accommodate your time commitments, active duty military and civilians living abroad have until June 25 to file their tax returns. The Tax Center is located in the Legal Center, Bldg. 578.

Beach Press Competition
Tuesday, June 18: Is the registration deadline for the Saturday, June 28 Beach Press Competition at MP Hill Fitness Center. For more information, call 753-5847.

School Age Center Summer Program
Tuesday, June 18 – 27: School Age Center Summer Programs Amazing Parents Week, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., each day. Open to children who have completed grades 4 – 6th grade. $25 per day. Palace, $22.50 per day. Additional fee of $22.50 per day will be charged for total family income. Payments must be made the Wednesday prior to the start of camp. For more information, call 753-9067. To register, visit www.army.com/753-5847.

Newcomers' Orientation
Tuesday, June 18 – 30: Newcomer’s Orientation LOCATION CHANGE due to mission requirements. Newcomers’ Orientation will be held at the Community Activity Center. Sign ins begin at 9 a.m.

Basket space for fundraising
Wednesday, June 18: Is the sign up deadline for the July 4 Let Freedom Ring Celebration. Basket space for fundraising is open now and sign up early as space is limited. Please email Phil, or take designation to the Family and MWR Special Events Coordinator, Mr. Harry Flynn, to secure your spot and for more information, call 753-9298.

Splish & Splash Wednesdays with the Youth Center
Wednesday, June 18 – 25: Splish & Splash Wednesdays with the Youth Center. Every Wednesday this summer, the Youth Center will be taking a trip to the Splish & Splash Outside Park. Registered youth in grades 6 – 12 can sign up at the Youth Center at 3 p.m., and the group will transport via shuttle bus to the water park. No pre-registration necessary and no fee. For more information, call 753-9314.

Swed Zoo Field Trip with the Youth Center
Saturday, June 21: Seoul Zoo Field Trip with the Youth Center. Depart at 9 a.m., return at 5 p.m. open to all CYSS-registered youth in grades 6-12. Trip will depart from pndium at Bldg. 427, registration fee and parent permission slips (required). Youth will mill their own lunches on the bus and outside. Handl paricipants must register at Youth Center Services, Bldg. 427, by June 3. For more information, call 753-5814.

Tummy Time Play Group
Friday, June 20: Tummy Time Play Group from 1 – 3 p.m. at Army Community Service. For newborns in babies who are crawling at the age of 8 weeks to 12 months. Sign up is provided to parents during playtime. Free. For more information, contact 734-3793.

Stroller Shape-Up
Friday, June 20: Stroller Shape-Up from 9 – 11 a.m. Moms and Dads – walk or run with your baby in tow! Get together with other parents that love a good sweat. Whether you have a little tike in a stroller or just want to hit the pavement with like-minded people, here is the perfect opportunity. All fitness levels welcome. Group will meet at the Fitness Annex and be provided with suggested routes. No registration necessary. For more information, contact Brenda Brown-Collazo at DSN 715-9813 or email Kendra.d.pena-collazo.mil.

3rd Annual CYSS Teen Summer Jam
Friday, June 20: Is the registration deadline for the Sunday, June 28 – 30, 3rd Annual CYSS Teen Summer Jam at Yeonpo Beach. This activity brings middle school and high school students together from all army garrisons on the peninsula, sibling(s), and weekend lodging. Activities include swimming, beach activities, sports competitions, beach ball/corn hole, fun party on the bus with a professional DJ and much more. Registrations fee includes ondol style lodging, all meals, transportation and any activity rental fees. Depart from the Youth Center at 3:30 p.m. on June 28 and arrive back at noon on June 30. Additional spending money (Korean Won) is recommended for additional snacks and souvenirs. Registration fee includes ondol style lodging, all meals, transportation and any activity rental fees. Depart from the Youth Center at 3:30 p.m. on June 28 and arrive back at noon on June 30. Additional spending money (Korean Won) is recommended for additional snacks and souvenirs. Interested participants must register at Parent Central Services, Bldg. 1127, by June 15. For more information, call 753-9067.

Father’s Day Brunch at Alaska Mining Company
Sunday, June 22: Father’s Day Brunch at Alaska Mining Company, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Dad’s price is $12.95, all other adults are $19.95, children 2-11 $10.95 and under $10.95. Please make reservations by calling 753-5765 or 753-9001 to reserve your space today. Advance reservations are required.

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Parents” Education Class
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Super Hero Branch
Saturday, June 21: Super Hero Branch at The Flightline Bar and Grill. Choose from two seatings, buffet serving with your favorite action adventure heroes: 8:30 – 10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. – Noon. For ages 6 and up, $18.95 for ages 3 – 5 and $15.95 for ages 2 and under. Menus include breakfast eggs, honeybuns, summer punch, fresh fruit salad and more. Early tickets are available at each seating. Please contact (753)419-4145 or call 753-5901 to reserve your space today. Advance reservations are required.

Father’s Day: Card Making
Saturday, June 21: Special Workshop for Father’s Day Card Making (Kids Class) from 3 – 5 p.m. at the Arts and Crafts Center. No materials provided, bring your creativity and imagination. All participants must register at the Arts and Crafts Center, Bldg. 578. For more information, call 753-9453.

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Morning Cafes: Notes from the Garrison Contact
Anyone needing to have information put out to the community through Notes from the Garrison or has a story idea for The Morning Calm, should contact Clint Stone at clint.l.stone.civ@mail.mil or call 754-0034.

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The Toughest Talon is a competition that Soldiers in the 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade participate in each year. It is the ultimate physical and military-skill challenge. The event includes an Army Physical Fitness Test, rope climbing, cross fit, tire flipping, litter carrying, road marching, stress shooting, and a nine-line medevac radio transmission. Only a handful of selected Soldiers participate in the competition from each battalion.

Sgt. Timothy K. Han, a command group driver with the 2nd Battalion, 2nd Aviation Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, participated in three Toughest Talon competitions and two Best Warrior Competitions, which is held by the 2nd Infantry Division, during his assignment to South Korea.

The question is why would he participate in all of these competitions?

"I want to set an example to other Soldiers that you can do competitions even after the daily tasks that we all have to do," Han said.

Sgt. Ken Chambers, a senior signal support specialist, who have been working with Sgt. Han the past 7 months said, "He is competent and motivates his fellow Soldiers to work harder."

As a matter of fact, Han is also the remedial PT instructor for the Headquarters and Headquarters Company. Every evening, he wears an Improved Outer Tactical Vest (IOTV) and instructs PT for the Soldiers who need help with their physical fitness.

"I wear an IOTV to understand the difficulty that the overweight Soldiers faces when they do pushups and other exercises," said Sgt. Han.

Han has a passion for a physical challenge, but he does find that competition is extremely stressful. Every time he wants to quit, Han thinks of his friend, Kevin Tran, which helps him find his motivation.

"I met Kevin when I was in the 7th grade, and we hung out all the time until he passed away my junior year in high school," Han said.

Han grew up without support and care from his parents so the loss of his best friend crushed his heart.

"When Kevin passed away and my brother joined the Air Force, there was nobody around for me," Han said.

He said he thought he could get over the sorrow of losing his friend by joining the Army.

"I have never done any competition before, never won awards, and never had meals three times a day before joining the Army," Han said. "I love the Army, and I have such a large amount support from my chain of command."

Sgt. Han said that he plans to go to the next board to join the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club, a private U.S. Army organization for enlisted non-commissioned officers while he is in Korea. For his long term plans, Han said he wishes to have a family and become a good dad because he never had that growing up.

By Capt. Jessica Meyer
2nd Combat Aviation Brigade

The United States Army is about being a team member, leading Soldiers to complete the mission and at the end of the day being there for another. One can find a family inside their unit that can help push them and motivate them to become better and provide the support and resiliency that a Soldier needs.

Sgt. Timothy K. Han, a command group driver with 2nd Battalion, 2nd Aviation Regiment, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, is completing tasks for the Toughest Talon competition.
Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers in Korea

Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers, or BOSS, is a dynamic Soldier program in Korea. It is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for single and geographically single Soldiers of all ranks by providing them an effective voice at the installation where they serve. Soldiers and FMWR advisors work hand-in-hand with commanders, command sergeants major, and first sergeants to provide superior leisure programs and help direct the resolution of quality of life issues for Soldiers.

What is BOSS?
The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Program supports the overall quality of single and unaccompanied 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.

History of BOSS
The BOSS program was established in 1989 to respond to the recreational needs of single Soldiers, who make up 40 percent of the Army. As the program was implemented throughout the Army, it became evident that well being was the primary concern of single Soldiers. In 1991, the Chief of Staff of the Army officially expanded BOSS to include all aspects of Soldiers’ lives. BOSS members later began to express an interest in participating in community service projects.

Recreation and leisure, well being (Quality of Life), and community service are the core components of the BOSS program.

How Does BOSS Work?
Installations establish a formal BOSS program. BOSS members later began to express an interest in participating in community service projects.

Typically, the installation Command Sergeant Major serves as the senior military advisor to the council. An installation FMWR advisor is appointed to provide guidance in planning activities, financial accountability, and marketing. Motivated single Soldiers with strong senior military and FMWR guidance are the backbone of the BOSS program.

Who may participate in BOSS events?
All events are targeted to the single and unaccompanied Soldier. Events are typically open to all authorized FMWR users.

What happens to the issues raised?
Issues addressed during a BOSS meeting will be formatted and submitted to the senior military advisor to seek resolution through the proper command channels or staff agency. Issues that cannot be resolved at the installation level are coordinated with the installation Army Family Action Plan coordinator and may be released by the installation commander to go forward to the major Army command AFAFP.

What is the Soldier’s role in BOSS?
BOSS councils are comprised of single and unaccompanied Soldiers from major subordinate commands and separate units on an installation. Single and unaccompanied Soldiers have the opportunity to become unit representatives, volunteer to assist in planning an event, and/or attend BOSS activities. The Department of the Army BOSS circular 608-04-01 defines the roles of the chain of command and FMWR personnel at all levels.
Prepare early for PCS moves

Personal Property Shipping and Processing Offices experience their peak movement season each year from May through August. During these months, there are as many personal property shipments as the rest of the year combined. As such, customers are reminded to plan their moves. Customers who are within the 90 days of their Date Expected to Return from Overseas and still do not have reassignment instructions should contact their order-issuing authority in order to expedite processing and issuance of their orders as soon as possible.

Servicemembers, retirees, and DoD employees are advised to make counseling appointments with PPOs in their area of responsibility immediately upon receipt of PCS/travel orders. In order to obtain desired packing and pick up dates, customers should make counseling appointments at least three weeks in advance to alleviate conflicts that may occur with desired packing and pick up dates.

When scheduling dates, customers should remember to:
- Avoid scheduling pickup dates on the day their housing lease expires, since this prevents adjustments for unforeseen challenges such as carrier equipment shortages which sometimes occur during this busy time of year.
- Avoid changing their scheduled packing and pickup days once made. There is no guarantee they will be able to obtain immediate or near-term alternate dates.
- Understand that not everyone will be able to move on the last day of the month due to the many moves occurring during this peak movement season.
- As a reminder, certain items cannot be shipped. These items include:
  - Combustible liquids (certain alcoholic beverages, antifreeze compounds)
  - Explosives (fireworks, propellants, ammunition)
  - Compressed gases (fire extinguishers, scuba diving tanks, aerosol cans)
  - Corrosive liquids (acids, acidic batteries, disinfectants, rust preventing/removing compounds)
  - Flammables (acetone, ammonia, cleaning fluids, enamel, kerosene, gasoline, propane tanks, enamel, paint, varnish, turpentine)
- Pets are another important part of many people’s PCS moves and shipment of pets are the owner’s responsibility and must be done at the owner's expense. Commercial airlines often restrict shipment of pets to certain destinations during summer months due to high temperatures coupled with extended aircraft ground times. Pet owners should coordinate their shipments well in advance of their projected departures with the airlines.
- Members are referred to the Transportation and Travel “It’s Your Move” Army Pamphlet 55-2 on the SDDC home page, www.sddc.army.mil, for further helpful shipping information.
- Installation Transportation Offices remain committed to assist you in everything possible to help ensure you have a smooth move.
- Early preparation by people moving during the peak movement season will greatly help. DoD Customers (servicemembers, retirees and Department of Defense civilians) now enjoy Full Replacement Value protection on most DoD-funded personal property shipments. Under the FRV program, the Transportation Service Provider/Carrier is liable for the greater of $20 per pound or four times the net weight of the shipment (in pounds), up to $50,000.
- The Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command has published a detailed set of guidelines that governs FRV coverage on its website.
- DoD Customers can find the website at http://www.sddc.army.mil/
- Click Full Replacement Value Protection.
- Further FRV information can be found on the various Military Claims Offices websites.
- For more information, contact the traffic management specialist, Transportation Branch, Logistics Division, at 738-3466.

Exchange Facilities throughout Korea

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Bonifas PX
Mon.-Tue. & Thu.-Sat. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
Wed. & Sun. Closed
734-8584

Camp Hovey
Hovey PX
Mon.-Thu. 11 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 11 a.m.-10 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-10 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m.-9 p.m.
730-5146

USAG DAEGU
Camp Walker Main PX
Daily 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
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Daily 7 a.m.-10 p.m.
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Daily 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
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Stanley PX
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Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
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730-4800/4865

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CRC PX Daily 9 a.m.-10 p.m.
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Daily 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
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Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sat. Sun. 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
741-6379

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Tue. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Wed.-Sat. 2-8 p.m.
Sun. & Mon. Closed, 723-4462

EXPRESS: USAG CASEY Shopette
Mon.-Sat. 6:30 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sun. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
730-4486

Dragon Valley PX
Mon. - Fri. 3 p.m.-8 p.m.
Sat. Sun. Closed
730-4872

702nd Maint PX
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun. Closed
730-3769

Fires Brigade PX
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Sun. Closed
730-1352

Casey Mini Mall
Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
730-3799

Camp Hovey - Hovey Mini Mall
Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-7 p.m.
Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sun. Closed, 730-5176

USAG DAEGU
Camp Henry
Mon-Sat. 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun. 7 a.m.-5 p.m.
769-7562

USAG HUMPHREYS
APH Shopette
Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. Sun. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
753-8037

3rd Mi Shopette/Charlie’s Eater
Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-11 a.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-11 a.m.
Sun. 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
753-8908

Zoeckler Station Exchange
Mon.-Thur. 7 a.m.-10 p.m.
Fri. 7 a.m.-Mid, Sat. 10 a.m.-Mid
Sun 10 a.m.-10 p.m.
753-3626

USAG RED CLOUD
CRC Mini Mall
Mon-Sat 1000-1900, Sun. Closed
732-6497

USAG Yongsan
Four Seasons
Daily 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
732-2072/2073

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732-2068

Yongsan South Post Shopette
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United States Army Garrison Daegu encompasses all Army facilities in the Southern Hub, in the bottom third of the peninsula from Deajon South to Busan. Daegu Metropolitan City is known as “Colorful Daegu” and the “Apple Capital of Korea.” It lies tucked in a valley between the Palgong Mountains to the north and the Nakdong River to the south. This scenic city covers more than 70 square miles and is 136 feet above sea level. There are four distinct seasons here, with the climate similar to Washington, D.C. Daegu is one of the oldest cities in Korea with a wealth of tradition in its history. The local oriental medicine market is one of the many interesting off-post cultural sites in the surrounding community.

The Daegu Garrison consists of three base clusters: Daegu (Camps George, Henry and Walker); Waegwan (Camp Carroll); and Busan (Busan Storage Center and Pier 8). There are about 10,000 Soldiers, Department of the Army Civilian employees, contractors, and Family Members who live and work here. USAG Daegu also provides base operations services for the people who live and work here. USAG Daegu also provides support to sister services in the Southern Hub, including those stationed at Fleet Activities Chinhae (U.S. Navy), K-2 Air Base (U.S. Air Force on a ROK Air Force installation), and Camp Mujak (U.S. Marine Corps) in Pohang. This is the largest of the U.S. Army’s four geographic regions in the ROK, covering about 10,000 square miles.

USAG Daegu won the 2009 Bronze Army Community of Excellence (ACE) Award, and was a finalist again in 2010. The unit has received 12 Department of the Army and 8th U.S. Army ACE awards since the program was created in 1988 and USAG Daegu was named the Army’s best small overseas installation that year.

Since 23 April 2015, Daegu has propelled itself further into the world of modern technology when it introduced Subway Line 3, the first transportable monorail in Korea, to the public. The line runs from Bulgu-Ri, Chidoek Gyeongbuk National University Hospital Station to Suseong-gu Yongji station. This route traverses Daegu from north to south. (U.S. Army photos by Lim, Seung-Woo (above), Mary B. Grimes (right), USAG Daegu Public Affairs)
June 12, 2015

Area IV quality of life

The USAG Daegu Director of Public Works (DPW), Environmental Division plays an integral role in the upkeep and maintenance of the Camp Carroll Wetland. In keeping with the Army’s Strategy for the Environment “Sustaining the Environment for a Secure Future, both natural and cultural resources conservation is profoundly important. (U.S. Army photos by Lim, Seung-Woo, USAG Daegu Public Affairs)

Cultural Events

USAG Daegu invited the members of community to Hite beer factory and Hanok village tour to take a step outside the post and to venture out to Jeon-ju for a unique cultural experience. Jeon-ju is the hometown of royal lineage of Chosun dynasty and has many historic sites such as Jeondong Catholic Cathedral and Gyeonggi Palace just to name a few. (photo by Cpl. Kim, Si-Woong)

Area IV quality of life

Members of USAG Daegu community paid a visit to Yangnyeongsi Herb Medicine Festival, in downtown of Daegu Metropolitan City. It was a chance for US soldiers to wear traditional clothes, Hanbok, and to take a sip of medicinal decoction. (photo by Cpl. Kim, Si-Woong)

(Above) Soldiers from HHC, USAG Daegu, participate in various activities such as ATV riding (Warrior Adventure Quest), Water Survival Training and ACU PT (U.S. Army photos by Cpl. Kim, Si-Woong, USAG Daegu Public Affairs)

(Right) A high school student ties teal ribbon on the fence at Kelly Field as a part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month activity. photo by Lee, Na-Eun
In Korea, most military-aged males must serve in the armed forces for a period of approximately two years. Some of these young men perform their obligation to their country by becoming integrated into the 8th U.S. Army through a unique program known as Korean Augmentation to the U.S. Army.

KATUSA Soldiers are Republic of Korea Army soldiers who serve under the U.S. chain of command, but are commanded by the ROK Army in personnel management.

The KATUSA program began in July 1950, through an informal agreement between the ROK president and Gen. Douglas MacArthur to augment U.S. forces during the early stages of the Korean War. Until 1982, KATUSA Soldiers were selected from either the Army Basic Military Training Center or cadres of ROK Army units.

Currently, KATUSA Soldiers are chosen randomly among a pool comprised of those who have demonstrated English proficiency as measured by a standardized test.

The KATUSA program is important because KATUSA Soldiers comprise approximately 10 percent of the total 8th U.S. Army manpower in Korea, with more than 3,500 KATUSA Soldiers serving side-by-side with their U.S. counterparts. The program also serves as a combat multiplier and increases combat readiness for the U.S. and ROK combined defense capability throughout the Korean peninsula. In addition, the program is symbolic of the U.S. and ROK alliance and mutual support systems.

Because of their limited service time, KATUSA Soldiers have a promotion system that differs from U.S. Soldiers. While their American counterparts gain promotion by amassing points and attending boards, KATUSA Soldiers serve in a rank for a specified period of time and are then automatically promoted to the next highest rank, management, discipline, training, relationship and liaison work. Serving as a KATUSA Soldier is a tradition that strengthens the Republic of Korea and the ROK-U.S. military Alliance.

USAG Daegu KATUSA- US Friendship Week is an annual event that consists of a variety of group sports and other outdoor activities. (photos by Cpl. Kim, Si-Woong and Pfc. Shim, Ji-Sung)
Korean War overview, 1950-1953

Outbreak of the War

The Korean War began with a surprise attack on June 25, 1950, when eight divisions and an armored brigade (90,000 soldiers) of the North Korean People’s Army attacked in three columns across the 38th parallel and invaded the Republic of Korea. Many of the NKPA were battle-tested, having served in the Chinese and Soviet armies in World War II. The 98,000-strong ROK Army, its combat training incomplete, and having no tanks and only 89 howitzers, was no match for the better-equipped NKPA. Aided only by a 500-man U.S. Korean Military Advisory Group, the ROKA was overwhelmed. Spearheaded by tanks, NKPA forces moved rapidly through the Uijongbu Gap on the west side of the Korean peninsula and captured Seoul, South Korea’s capital. The ROKA red south in disarray across the Han River toward Pusan, a major port at the southeastern tip of the Korean peninsula.

On June 25, the U.N. Security Council denounced North Korea’s actions and called for a cessation of hostilities and withdrawal of the NKPA to the 38th parallel. President Harry S Truman directed General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, whose Far East Command was located in Tokyo, to evacuate Korea of American dependents and send ammunition to the beleaguered ROKA. The following day, Truman sanctioned the use of American air and naval forces below the 38th parallel. Outflanked by an NKPA division and suffering some 200 casualties and the loss of all equipment, TF Smith broke into a disorganized retreat.

Meanwhile, at the United Nations’ request, the United States formed the United Nations Command, which would integrate all American and allied forces. MacArthur became its commander. He assigned command of ground forces in Korea to Eighth U.S. Army under U. Gen. Walton H. Walker. At the request of ROK President Syngman Rhee, Walker also assumed command of the ROK Army.

By the beginning of August, after the arrival of the 25th RCT from Okinawa on July 26, Eighth U.S. Army held only a small portion of southeastern Korea. Walker ordered a stand along a 140-mile line arching from the Korea Strait to the East Sea west and north of Busan. Known as the “Pusan Perimeter,” American divisions occupied the western segment, basing their position along the Naktong River; the ROK Army defended the northern segment. With Pusan secure, additional troops and equipment began arriving to reinforce EUSA’s perilously long, thin defensive line.

At the same time the arrival of the U.S. Army’s 5th RCT from Hawaii, the 1st Marine Division and the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade from the United States, and a British infantry brigade, strengthened EUSA.

Incheon

Having traded space for time, MacArthur saw that the deeper the NKPA drove south, the more vulnerable it became to an amphibious envelopment. The amphibious force consisted of the 1st Marine Division and the 7th Infantry Division, its ranks fleshed out with several thousand Korean recruits. MacArthur’s decision to land at Incheon was a dangerous but remarkably bold and successful gamble. Tidal conditions allowed only a small window of opportunity for the landing. Moreover, he would be committing his last major reserves at a time when no more general reserve units were available in the United States.

Following the successful, lightly opposed landings at Incheon on Sept. 15, arduous street-to-street combat took place to liberate Seoul. On Sept. 29, the capital city was returned to President Rhee. Although many communist guerrillas would remain behind, the NKPA virtually disintegrated and ceased to be an effective fighting force.

North to the Yalu

Truman authorized MacArthur to send his forces north of the 38th parallel on Sept. 27, provided there was no indication that major Soviet or Chinese Communist Forces would enter the war. The U.N. General Assembly approved the UNC’s entry into North Korea 10 days later, when it called for the restoration of peace and security throughout Korea. American and ROK Army forces rapidly advanced northward.

Warnings of Chinese intervention increased as the UNC pressed deeper into North Korea. At a Wake Island meeting on Oct. 15, Truman directed MacArthur to continue his advance if he believed UNC forces had a reasonable chance of success. Hoping to end operations before the onset of winter, MacArthur ordered all ground forces to advance to the northern border as rapidly as possible.

The New War

Beginning on Oct. 25, UNC forces met stout resistance almost everywhere across their front. On Nov. 1, the 1st Cavalry Division’s 8th Cavalry Regiment fought fierce battles with the CCF. Severe fighting continued Nov. 5–6, after which...
the CCF abruptly halted its activities in all sectors, leaving the UNC uncertain as to whether the CCF’s actions had been merely defensive.

Tenth Corps, reinforced by the U.S. 3rd Infantry Division, and EUSA slowly renewed their offensive. Thinning logistical lines of support, inadequate intelligence and sub-zero cold added to the difficulties of the UNC. With the 7th Division leading, X Corps reached the Yalu at the town of Hyehyang. Eighth Army units began moving forward from the Chongchon on Nov. 24, and were hit hard by strong CCF attacks. On Nov. 27, the attacks engulfed the leftmost forces of the X Corps at the Changjin (Chosin) Reservoir, and by Nov. 28th, UNC positions began to crumble. MacArthur informed Washington that the UNC faced an entirely new war. With more than 300,000 Chinese in North Korea, he directed Walker to withdraw to escape envelopment by the CCF. MacArthur ordered X Corps to fall back to a beachhead around the port of Hungnam.

Unrelenting CCF pressure, which often included surprise nighttime assaults and hand-to-hand combat and the rigors of a harsh winter, made the UNC’s retreat dangerous and costly. The 2d Division, covering the withdrawal of I Corps and the ROK II Corps from the Chongchon, encountered an entrenched CCF force below the town of Kunu-ri. The CCF surrounded and severely punished the 2d Division as the unit fought its way through the gauntlet to escape.

Changjin (Chosin) Reservoir

Abandoning Pyongyang on Dec. 5, elements of 8th U.S. Army reached the 38th parallel 10 days later, where it prepared to protect Seoul and develop a coast-to-coast defense. Tenth Corps fought a 13-day running battle to the east coast as it withdrew to Hungnam. Near the Changjin Reservoir, the 1st Marine Division and elements of the U.S. 7th Division met stiff opposition from the CCF in positions overlooking the mountain road to the sea. The 3d Division, positioned near Hungnam with X Corps, was sent inland to open the road and protect the withdrawal of the Army and Marine Corps units. On Dec. 11, X Corps completed its move to Hungnam, and American and ROK Army forces began their evacuation to Punan. The day before, X Corps, which began part of 8th U.S. Army, completed the evacuation Christmas Eve.

A Change in Leadership

CCF attacks and successive withdrawals weakened EUSA, and General Walker’s accidental death on Dec. 23, was another dispiriting blow. Lieutenant Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, who arrived from Washington, D.C., on Dec. 26, took command of EUSA. Despite Ridgway’s hurried efforts to brace the defensive line across the peninsula, he and his men could not contain the CCF’s New Year’s offensive. Seoul fell in early January 1951. Ridgway pulled EUSA’s entire front below the 38th parallel. When the CCF offensive faltered in mid-January, Ridgway was ready to resume the offensive and adopted a strategy to inflict maximum casualties on the enemy with minimum losses to his troops. Ridgway proposed a war of maneuver, slashing the enemy as it withdrew and fighting delaying actions when the enemy attacked. Land gains became less important than damaging the CCF/NKPA and keeping the enemy off balance.

Ridgway’s offensive began on Jan. 25, advancing slowly and methodically, ridge by ridge, phase line by phase line, wiping out each pocket of resistance before moving farther north. Operations Thunderbolt, Killer, Riper, and Rugger carried the U.N. forces forward. EUSA liberated Seoul in mid-March and reaped the 38th parallel. For the next month, EUSA cautiously probed north of the parallel, expanding the front to phase Line KANSAS, 10 miles above the 38th, and then to the Iron Triangle, an enemy logistical area north of Line Kansas.

Ridgway’s ground strategy produced an effort for the new, more limited objectives that American and U.N. officials adopted of clearing the CCF/NKPA from South Korea and opening negotiations with the enemy. Because of differences regarding war strategy and goals, Truman relieved MacArthur as United Nations Forces commander on April 11, and replaced him with Ridgway. On April 14, Lieutenant Gen. James A. Van Fleet succeeded Ridgway as head of EUSA.

Eight days after Van Fleet assumed command, the enemy began its spring offensive. The major CCF and NKPA attack was directed at Seoul. The I Corps contained the enemy’s advance. EUSA halted the attack on May 20, after the enemy had penetrated 30 miles. Seeking to preclude another enemy attack, Van Fleet ordered EUSA forward. By the end of May, EUSA had progressed to a position just south of Line Kansas, having virtually cleared the ROK of enemy troops. Van Fleet moved next to reach Line Wyoming, which would give EUSA control of the lower portion of the Iron Triangle. When the Soviet Union’s delegate to the United Nations proposed a cease-fire in Korea on June 23, 8th U.S. Army occupied Line Kansas and the Wyoming Bulge, ground suitable for a strong defense.

The Static War

As the fighting lapsed into patrolling and small local clashes, armistice negotiations began on July 10, 1951. The opposing delegations agreed that hostilities would continue until an armistice was signed. Except for brief episodes, action along the front for the next two years never regained the momentum of the first year. On Nov. 17, the two delegations agreed that a line of demarcation during the armistice would be the existing line of contact provided an agreement was reached in 30 days. On Nov. 12, Ridgway ordered Van Fleet to cease offensive operations. Fighting tapered off to patrol clashes, raids and small battles for possession of outposts in no-man’s-land.

The battlefield stalemate was periodically interrupted by artillery duels, ambushes, raids and costly small-scale hill battles such as Old Baldy. The battlefield too enabled the Army to return the 1st Cavalry and 24th Infantry Divisions to Japan and with them replace the 40th and 45th Infantry Divisions, two of the eight Army National Guard divisions that were mobilized during the war. A new United Nations Forces commander, Gen. Mark W. Clark, replaced Ridgway in May 1952, and Lieutenant General Maxwell D. Taylor replaced Van Fleet as 8th U.S. Army commander in February 1953.

Armistice negotiations entered their final and decisive phase in May, the enemy stepped up combat action. CCF forces launched regimental attacks against EUSA outposts in the west. In July, the enemy sought to wrest more ground from the UNC by driving a wedge eight miles deep into 8th Army’s central sector. Taylor quickly contained the enemy and counterattacked, but with an armistice agreement imminent, 8th U.S. Army halted its attack on July 20 short of the original line. Finally, on July 27, 1953, the Armistice was signed and all fighting stopped.

After 37 months of combat, total UNC casualties reached more than 550,000, including 95,000 dead. American losses included 33,686 killed and 103,284 wounded. United States Army casualties alone totaled 27,728 dead and 77,586 wounded. The bulk of these casualties occurred during the first year of fighting. The estimate of enemy casualties, including prisoners, exceeded 1,500,000 of whom 900,000 were Chinese.

The Army deployed eight divisions to Korea—-the 1st Cavalry Division; the 2d, 3d, 7th, 24th, 25th, 40th and 45th Infantry Divisions; and the 5th, 28th and 187th RCTs. U.S. Army personnel received 78 of the 131 Medals of Honor awarded to military members who served in Korea.

Source: http://ikorea50.army.mil/

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