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Pfc. Jeon, Min-chul, USAG Yongsan Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security Administrative Assistant, fights off a defender during soccer finals of the KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week, April 20, at Field #12. USAG Yongsan HHC team lost the final round, 1-3. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je

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Eriendship Week Strengthens ROK-U.S. alliance

By Cpl. Park, Min-je USAG Yongsan Public Affairs

USAG YONGSAN - The KATUSA (Korean Augmentation to the United States Army) program is the embodiment of the ROK-U.S. alliance. In commemoration of 60 years of that powerful partnership, the 2017 KATUSA & U.S. Soldier Friendship Week took place April 17-21 at U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan, Humphreys and Red Cloud. The KATUSA program was initiated in July 1950, during the Korean War with the agreement between South Korean president Synghman Rhee and Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Since then, KATUSA has become an important part of the U.S. Army stationed in Korea. The Area II ROKA Support Group organized

and supported the 2017 KUSFW, facilitating unit cohesion and fostering cultural understanding between the two countries. During the week, KATUSA and U.S. soldiers who are exemplary models for ROK-US alliance received Best Friends Awards. Representatives from both parts swore the

ROK&U.S. Friendship Oath as hundreds of KATUSA and U.S. Soldiers witnessed. Ensuing performance, by a ROK Ministry of National Defense Drill Team and ROKA Special Forces Martial Arts captured the attention of the crowd. "The Area II ROKA Support Group and USAG Yongsan have been hosting the annual KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week to validate the one-of-a-kind friendship shared between KATUSAs and U.S. Army Service Members," said Lt. Col. Kim, Young-hun, Commander of Area II ROKA Support Group. "This week's slogan is "ROK-U.S. ALLIANCE – STRONGER THAN EVER!" KATUSAs and U.S. Army Service members train and live together side-by-side, developing a relationship that supersedes our alliance, an everlasting friendship." Several events to foster stronger friendship between KATUSA and U.S. soldiers were held during the week. Many teams composed of soldiers of both nations participated in softball, soccer and basketball tournaments. The 5K run and various other team sports also brought the soldiers together. Cultural events including Salmulnori (traditional Korean music) and traditional wedding

ceremony demonstration also caught people's eyes. Soldiers showed off their musical gift during the Talent Show and enjoyed the performance of many K-Pop stars during the Entertainment Show. "We coordinated cultural events including Samulnori to introduce Korean traditional music to U.S. Soldiers," said Cpl. Jeong, Woo-seok, USAG Yongsan ROKA Support Office. "I was a bit worried about low participation because of rainy weather, but several U.S. Soldiers voluntarily came to play Jing and Jangu. (traditional Korean instruments) I was really happy when they enjoyed Samulnori." During the closing ceremony, the winners of each event and the overall winner of 2017 KATUSA & U.S. Soldier Friendship Week were announced. The 142nd MP Company beat out 65th Medical Brigade for the first time in four years, which came in second, claiming this year's champion flag and trophy. Deputy Commanding General for Sustainment, Eighth Army, Maj. Gen. Tammy S. Smith said. "KATUSAs are truly a unique and special force multiplier that greatly enhances our combined capability. I am extremely proud of our KATUSAs."



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KATUSA Sgt. Won Young-woong and Lt. Gen. Kim Haeseok, Commander of ROK Army Personnel Command, pose for a group photo during the 46th annual Six Star Salute dinner, April 13, at the Hyatt Hotel. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Jo, Byeong-wook, ŬSFK Public Affairs

Exemplary Soldiers were honored during Six Star Salute

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By Staff Sgt. David Chapman and Cpl. Park, Min-je USAG Yongsan Public Affairs

USAG YONGSAN - The United Service Organizations hosted the 46th Annual Six Star Salute April 13-14, convening 40 U.S., 38 Korean and two other foreign military members from Thailand, the Philippines and throughout Korea for a two-day award reception intended to recognize the excell ence of the junior enlisted honorees.

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Representing the U.S., Korea and the United Nations Command, the awardees exemplify selfless service and a dedication to preserving freedom, earning the honorary rank of "Six Star." The two-day itinerary consisted of a briefing, luncheon, gala and cultural tour.

The honorees gathered at Camp Kim April 13 for a briefing, immediately followed by a luncheon at the Dragon Hill Lodge. USO Area Director for Korea Doug Boltuc greeted the service members and welcomed the guest speaker - 501st MI Brigade Command Sgt. Maj. Julie Guerra. Guerra expressed her gratitude to the honorees for their dedication and stressed the significance of the ROK-U.S. alliance.

For the service members, the event was a unique opportunity to interact introduced the toaster of the with service members from different military install ations. "I'm very honored to be here thanks to the recommendation of my Command Sergeant Major, though I feel a little nervous among so many higher ranking Soldiers," said Pfc. Samuel Burton of the 304th Expeditionary Signal Battalion, 1st Signal Brigade. "I really enjoy the time talking to the other Soldiers, especially the ROK Army Soldiers." The evening gala was an opportunity for the awardees to really shine.

"When the USO offers support, the brightest luminaries of our society join hands with them to provide that support," said Vincent Brooks, Commander, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea. The event took place at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in Seoul, and more than 800 people including USO sponsors, dignitaries and special guests arrived in formal wear to sit and dine with an honoree.

The Ministry of National Defense Band per-formed during cocktail hour, and the event opened with operatic performances by the Talk Classic Group. USFK Honor Guard volun-teers conducted a presentation of colors, followed by the national anthem by Eighth Army Band volunteers.

The procession of honorees through crossed sabers was followed by the presentation of medals to each awardee. A moment of silence for the fallen comrade followed, with a somber light cast on the Remembrance Table.

USO Advisory Council of Korea President Bradley K. Buckwalter evening, CFC Deputy Commander Gen. Lim, Leem, Ho-young, and the guest speaker. Leem congratul ated the honorees on receiving their six stars. "I only have four stars, and so I thought maybe I should work harder to earn six stars like the honorees," he said. "I realized this would be impossible because of the tremendous courage it takes to stand at the front lines of battle as these awardees would do in times of war."

for each of us, and I am very glad to know there are people like these in the world, right here in our midst," said Brooks. Brooks went on to recount some of the honorees' experience with the USO and spoke of how the USO has had an impact on service members all over the world for many decades.

"The USO has done more than can be seen from the outside, and for that I thank the USO for the time, tireless efforts, and selfless service they provide to ensure every Soldier's needs are met," said Sgt. Anthony Bridges, HQ and HQ Battalion, 2nd Infantry Division.

After a restful evening, honorees were treated to a breakfast at the Grand Hyatt and then taken on a cultural tour of the city of Seoul. Service members were surrounded by the bright colors of Jogyesa, the chief temple of the Jogye Order of Korean Buddhism.

The group was then whisked away to the historical Gyeongbokgung Palace, where they were able to witness the ceremonial changing of the guard and then and take a guided tour of the palace grounds.

At the conclusion of the two-day event, the group returned to Camp Kim for pizza and raffle prizes before the honorees had the opportunity to reflect on meeting their counterparts



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from other countries, but also why their mission is so important.

"I love the fact that our commands and the USO wanted to recognize those who are doing a fantastic job," said Air Force Staff Sgt. Kendra Hill-Daughton, 5th Reconnaissance Squadron. "The best part for me was the first interactions with our ROK brothers and sisters, having a casual conversation and hearing about their experiences."

"The honorees are great examples

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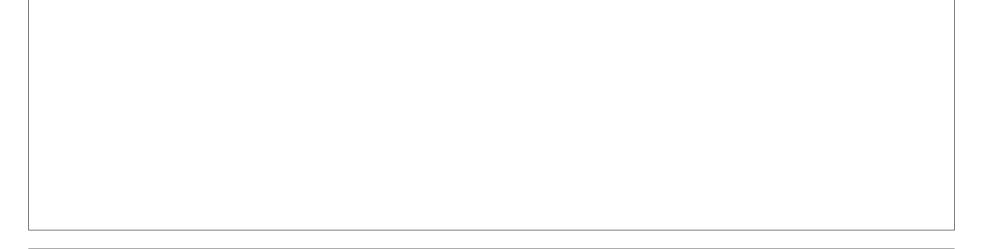
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Paladin platoons certify to 'Fight and Win Tonight'



YEONCHEON-GUN, South Korea – Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Infantry Division, conducted gunnery quali -fication training throughout multiple locations in Yeoncheongun, South Korea March 24-31.

The training allowed the batt -alion's leadership the opportunity to evaluate and certify each platoon.

"This is where we bring the pieces together of what we have done in Korea," said Maj. Jerod Parker, the battalion's operations officer. "The platoons have done extremely well. By executing the lanes, we are not only forcing them to move and conduct fire missions, but we have an (opposition force) element that is there to replicate the real threat."

According to Parker, the training event was part of the unit's Korea training plan and ensured the unit's continued readiness by bringing together elements of the other field artillery gunnery tables and the security concerns associated with the Korean theater.

"The battalion's staff conducted a thorough analysis of the comm -ander's intent and training objectives, as well as the options and resources available for field artillery battalions on the peninsula," he said.

Parker went on to say the result of the staff's diligence was a wellplanned, resourced and executed event called Operation Louisiana, named after the units 12th of 78 campaign streamer.

All six firing platoons conducted a 36-hour certification and external evaluation that included multiple scenarios including civilians on the battlefield, opposition force situations, casualty evacuation, ammunition and sustainment operations, and chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear situations to name a few. Over the course of the week, the battalion fired over 600 live artillery rounds.

According to 1st Lt. Cody Dobi -yanski, a platoon leader in Battery D, the event gave leaders a top down picture of where Paladin crews stand within the platoon, ensuring the teams meet the requirements asked of them.

The training "allows us the peninsula's mobility to move in a small team and be able to act like ourselves, learn off one another and interact from team to team in order to ensure mission success," Dobiyanski said.

"Though an evaluation of the platoon, the battalion's (observercontroller-trainers) took every opportunity to coach the platoon's leadership throughout each exercise," said Capt. Jesse Arbogast, the commander of Battery D. "The platoon is truly learning and instantly instituting those lessons learned."

The training even caught the eye of some of the unit's South Korean counterparts.

"I have not seen a U.S. field artillery battalion train to this level of intensity in my seven years in this position," said Yo Chan Yun, the Rodriguez Live Fire Complex South Korean Army coordinator, the person responsible for coordinating training with the unit's South Korean Army counterparts.

The battalion is currently on a nine-month rotation to South Korea and is currently attached to the 210th Field Artillery Brigade as part of the peninsula's counter-fire task force.

An M109A6 Paladin artillery system from 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, fires a 155 mm projectile during gunnery qualification training in Yeoncheon-gun, South Korea March 28. The training event gave battalion leadership the opportunity to evaluate

and certify Paladin platoons. — Photo by Capt. Jonathan Camire, 1st ABCT Public Affairs

> An M109A6 Paladin artillery system from 1st Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, participates in a gunnery qualification training event in Yeoncheon-gun, South Korea March 28. The training event gave battalion leadership the opportunity to evaluate and certify Paladin platoons. — Photo by Capt. Jonathan Camire, 1st ABCT Public Affairs







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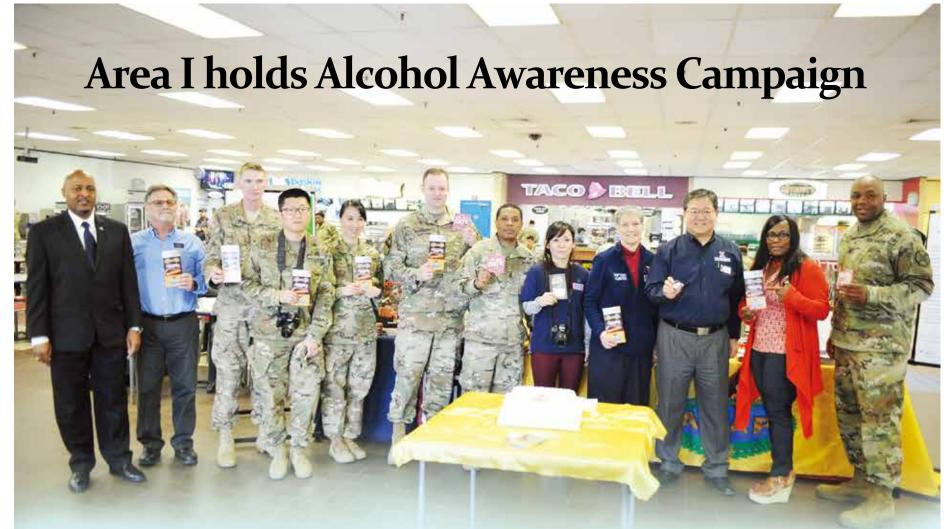
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Command Sgt. Maj. Michael L. Berry, USAG Red Cloud and Area I's senior enlisted leader, and Command Sgt. Maj. Jason R. Copeland, USAG Casey's senior enlisted leader perform a ceremonial ribbon and cake cutting for the Area I Alcohol Awareness Campaign at USAG Camp Casey 9X Food Court April 13. The purposes for this campaign are "protect Area I Army's Soldiers, Civilians, leaders, and Family members", "Increase "Fight Tonight" readiness", "Educate Soldiers and Army Civilians on responsible drinking and the public awareness on the negative impact that high risk drinking choices can have on the community", and "Promote and encourage alternatives to drinking through positive outcome activities". — U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Park Joon-young

Area I Commander's Cup Standing
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Following are Commander's Cup standings through the end of March

Large Units							
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1	A, HHBN	2565					
2	HSC, HHBN	2525					
3	55 MP CO	1910					
4	580 FSC	1775					
5	B, HHBN	1680					
6	C, HHBN	1420					
7	46 TRANS	1165					
8	E, 6-52 ADA	905					
9	HHB, 210 FA	695					

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FSC	1775	4	62 CHEM/CBRN	1265		4	HHD, 23 CHEM	1365	
IBN	1680	5	579 FSC, 6-37 FA	1170		5	629 MCAS	1143	
IBN	1420	6	HHB, 1-38 FA	1010		6	560 MCGA	996	
ANS	1165	7	61 CHEM/CBRN	940		7	579 SIG	785	
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Soldiers conduct physical training challenge during a Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response & Prevention

Soldiers assigned to 210th Field Artillery Brigade conduct tire toss during a Sexual Harassment/ Assault Response & Prevention (SHARP) physical training challenge hosted by the 210th FA Bde SHARP team at Camp Casey, South Korea, April 14, 2017. This event was in support of the National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month (SAAPM) and to inform, educate, and encourage participation in the prevention of sexual harassment and sexual assault. U.S. Army Photos by Cpl. Kihyun Kwon, Pvt. Hyeonmin Lee, 210th Field Artillery Brigade Public affairs office

Soldiers take part in Explosive Ordnance Disposal training

A Soldier from the 23rd Chemical

Battalion inspects a simulated improvised explosive device (IED) during joint explosive ordinance disposal (EOD) training at Rodriguez Live Fire Complex on April 12, 2017. Six two-man teams competed to determine who was the best EOD team in Korea while maintaining their skills to Fight Tonight. — U.S. Army photo by Capt. Mayra Nañez, 210th Field Artillery Brigade Public affairs office

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"McBride family and Glossup family gathered for little photo session with Dr. Yun and his hygienist suhyun."

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Yongsan Library hosts Teen/Youth Poetry Contest award ceremony

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USAG YONGSAN - The Teen/Youth Poetry Contest award ceremony took place April 11 at the Yongsan Library. U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan Commander Col. J. Scott Peterson and Yongsan Library Director Esther Kim greeted students and their parents. Many poems were submitted for the contest, and 10 winners were announced. According to Seoul American High School teacher Carrie Jacobs, the contest was a great opportunity for students since they have not had a lot of opportunities to write something individually.

Winners of the contest are as follows: Kim, Heewon (16, 1st place), Sistoso, Cassie (15, 1st), Shatzer, Jake (17, 2nd), Lauzon, Avanti (17, 3rd), Ogburn, Calista (13, 3rd), Stewart, Tim (14, 3rd), Lauzon, Iveena (13, 4th), Smith, Naomi (12, 4th), White, Jennifer (14, 4th), Talley, Madeleine (15, 4th)



First place winner, Sistoso Cassie, receives an award certificate by USAG Yongsan Commander Col. J. Scott Peterson. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je



Time Cassie Sistoso (1st Place)

She wears a fleeting smile about her lips And dignity in her hair Her voice is sharp and reminding Darkness in her stare

She sings a song around her smile Of destiny and fate Many strive to learn it Yet find it all too late

Those who follow in her steps Are punctual and smart Yet those who lose track of her Are happier at heart

Sometimes she will slip away And makes us all forget We find ourselves only empty Left simply with regret

She is cruel, she is kind Which do you prefer? Circumstance, pride and patience Until she is a blur

Her path is long and winding Ever pushing on And as you walk, you slowly find that The path behind has gone

Many try to fight her

Scents of Hellos and Goodbyes Heewon Kim (1st Place)

Hospitals have this distinct smell. No, not the smell of disinfectants or sterilizers, But the faint smells from the salutations of the birth of a baby To the farewells of the death of a loved one

This unmistakable scent is common in one other place -the airport.

It embeds the aroma of the salty tears from separating lovers To the aroma of passion that arouses from a new journey that awaits

This fragrance is left behind only where hellos meet goodbyes...



First place winner, Kim, Heewon, recites her poem in front of the awardees and parents. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je In her ever winding ways Yet find as they fight That time cannot be fazed

So here I am at the rubble My broken, buried fight I've lost the battle, lost the war Yet everything is right

For I have found in her ways Her path is tedious and long I walk it evenly with her steps And I share in her song

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Taking care of each other

in an organization. With this knowledge our Soldiers can be better equi -pped to make responsible decisions when it comes to these areas

CAMP JACKSON - How often do we hear Soldiers bragging about how drunk they got over the weekend, and how "crazy" their night was? Being drunk is defined by Webster's Dictionary as being "affected by alcohol to the extent of losing control of one's faculties or behavior." To lose control of one's behaviors can be very dangerous and, in some instances, life changing.

It only takes one too many drinks to make a fatal decision, and in some cases this fatal decision may lead to one becoming a victim, or a perpetrator, of sexual assault. An individual who normally would be able to know the difference between right and wrong, no longer has the ability to use sound judgment and make the right choices, in part because they did not exercise responsible drinking.

The Department of Defense's annual Sexual Assault Report for the Military reported in 2015 that 6,083 individuals reported a case of sexual assault. Of those 6,083, 33 percent of the victims, and 37 percent of the offenders, had been drinking prior to the assault. These statistics alone indicate that 1/3 of all sexual assaults in the military involved alcohol. The question now is how do we as leaders mitigate this risk to ensure the safety of our Soldiers, and educate them on drinking responsibly?

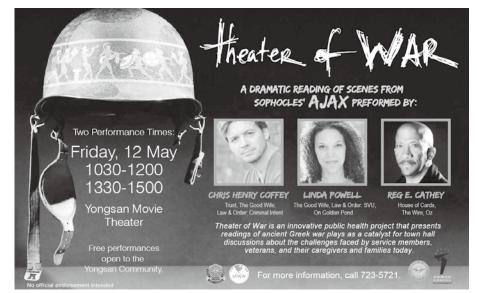
One way we can help mitigate the sexual assault risks associated with the consumption of alcohol is encourage Soldiers to utilize the battle buddy system. "I've got your six" can apply to a lot more than just combat. Having a battle buddy there, preferably in the form of a designated driver, can allow Soldiers to relax and unwind while still ensuring they remain safe and don't make any decisions they will later regret once they gain control of their faculties. Having a battle buddy who is able to assess the situation with a sober mind can help to ensure their comrades do not become a victim to those who wish to exploit their vulnerabilities. It may at times seem like it's inconsequential to always have a battle buddy with you, however there will be instances where having a battle buddy is an invaluable asset. This is the very reason why always having a battle buddy when consuming alcohol, or always being there as a battle buddy when needed, is the smart choice.

Another way we can promote responsible drinking, and in turn prevent sexual harassment and assault, is to ensure our Soldiers have the proper training and education to know the signs of these illegal acts. This provides them with the insight to stop these actions as soon as they see them. Soldiers should also know the Army defines responsible drinking as drinking in a way that does not adversely affect an individual's abvility to fulfill their obligations and does not negatively impact the individual's job performance, health or well-being or the good order and discipline

of responsible drinking increase prevention of sexual harassment and assault.

No matter what we attempt to instill in our Soldiers and teach them, doing the right thing boils down to their commitment to living by the Army values. They have to exemplify the traits of Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity and Personal Courage. We cannot force our Soldiers to be this way, one's behaviors and values are their own choice. However, as leaders we can lead by example by emulating the standard and by showing our Soldiers what right looks like, we can become positive role models and constructive mentors to our subordinates.

With a combination of correctly utilizing the battle buddy system, and ensuring Soldiers understand the importance of it, and have the proper training, we can make sure they are proactive in the fight to promote responsible drinking. General George S. Patton once said "an Army is a team: lives, sleeps, eats and fights as a team. This individual heroic stuff is a lot of crap." No matter what our battlefield is, we are all in this fight together, and it is our responsibility to protect and take care of each other. United as leaders and subordinates, we can take charge and make a difference in the fight against sexual harassment and assault, and irresponsible drinking practices in our Army.



The Relocation Brief is designed to help personnel moving to Camp Humphreys

The Individual Relocation Brief for individuals relocating to Camp Humphreys took place at South Post Chapel, April 11. Information concerning furniture transport, vehicle registration, out processing forms, and house hunting were delivered to all individuals in detail. — U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Lee, Kyeong-yoon

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A registered nurse from the Family Advocacy Program, Kim, Eun-ju (left), explains various family programs supported by the Army to a parent during the Baby Expo, April 15, at the 121 Combat Support Hospital. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je

Holly Mello (Right) gives a quick class about child education and development to a parent during the Baby Expo, April 15, at the 121 Combat Support Hospital. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je

Month of the Military Child Welcome to the World Baby Expo

By Kimberly Gold American Red Cross

USAG YONGSAN - Expectant father, James Cox, is the epitome of a prepared father. Not only taking infant CPR with the American Red Cross in early April, James took advantage of the 2nd Annual Month of the Military Child Welcome to the World Baby Expo held at 121st CSH Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital, April 15, 2017.

James was truly thankful for the wealth of information provided at the expo by nearly two dozen agencies. "These agencies have been instrumental for my wife and I as new parents. From helping us better understand the required documentation for the baby before we relocate to learning about the different immunizations." And what perfect timing to receive these resources as the Cox Prevention Month. This is a way that we can educate families in the early stages in a healthy and positive way."

121st CSH Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital Commander, Col. Erika Clarkson was happy to partner on this event and provide the venue. "For us it's Month of the Military Child, it's the perfect way to celebrate the military child and a wonderful experience for everyone."

121st CSH Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital Executive Officer and one of the key planners for the expo, Maj. Sara Horak, wholeheartedly agreed. "We want to show that our community is important and that we support their family. We are their family away from family. Their baby is our baby."

With a team and community comprised of so many people passionate about their role in the new parent process, it comes as no surprise that the 2nd annual event was a bigger success hosting 300 people who received resources ranging from nutrition care, finances, pastoral care, home fire safety, and maternity pictures to assist them in welcoming their new addition.

family were admitted to the hospital that weekend to deliver their first child.

Organizations like Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated, and American Red Cross generously donated baby items in addition to providing information and demonstrations on hot topics like postpartum depression and infant CPR.

Recruiting community partners since the inaugural event last April, Louise Gonel, Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program Specialist and baby expo committee lead, was determined to make this event more successful than its first. "For us it's not just Month of the Military Child, it's also Child Abuse With a background in maternal child health and an infant in her arms, 121st CSH Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital Command Sgt. Maj. Diahann J. White when asked about the significance of the baby expo captured the true essence of the expo, "It takes a village and we are that village."

The third annual Month of the Military Child Welcome to the World Baby Expo is already being planned for April 2018. Contact Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program for more details.

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* The flower festival can fluctuate depending on the flowering period.

An, Ji-young, a member of the girl-duo Bolbbalgan4, sings during the Hello Mr. K Concert, April 20, at Collier Community Fitness Center. Eleven Korean entertainment groups performed on stage. — U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Lee, Kyeong-yoon

(left) Area II ROKA Support • Group Commander Lt. Col. Kim, Young-hun, (middle) **Eighth Army Deputy Commanding General** (Sustainment) Maj. Gen. Tammy S. Smith, and (right) **USAG Yongsan DPTMS Admin** Assist Cpl. Chang, Hyun-woo pose for a group photo during the Best Friend Dinner, April 18, at the Dragon Hill Lodge. Soldiers who have shown excellence during daily duties were awarded the Best Friend Award. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je

USAG Yongsan Soldiers and • USAG Yongsan HHC Commander, Capt. Skyler M. Saito (front) stand in a formation during the closing ceremony, April 21, at Knight Field.

— U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je



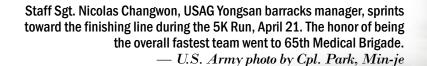






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TEAM I and TEAM C play soccer at Soldier Field during KATUSA/U.S. Soldier Friendship Week on Camp Humphreys April 18, 2017. The soccer tournament was made up of 10 teams mingling KATUSA and U.S. Soldiers. TEAM I was organized with KATUSA and Soldiers from the 304th Signal Battalion and the 501st Signal Company. TEAM C was organized with KATUSA and Soldiers from the 719th, 532nd and 3rd Military Intelligence Battalions. - U.S. Army photo by Noh, Sabin and Lee, Jeonghee



USAG Yongsan Commander • Col. J. Scott Peterson poses with the jokgu team during KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week, April 19, at the Tennis Court #2. They advanced to the next round after beating SOCKOR team in the preliminary round. (From left to right) Pfc. Lee, Kyeong-yoon, Cpl. Kang, Taeyoung, Cpl. Jeong, Woo-seok, **USAG Yongsan Commander** Col. J. Scott Peterson, and Pfc. Kim, Eui-shin. - U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je



A Soldier assigned to the 65th Medical Brigade slides into home plate during the softball finals April 20 during the KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week. Soldiers played a single-elimination tournament, displaying teamwork and sportsmanship during the week-long event.

- U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je



 Gu-ri cultural center Korean folk instrumental group from the Gu-ri cultural center performs Samulnori (traditional Korean music played with four kinds of instruments), during the cultural event, April 18, at Picnic Area #7.
U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Park, Min-je

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 ROK Honor Guards perform traditional Korean ceremony during the opening ceremony of KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week, April 17, at Collier Community Fitness Center.
U.S. Army photo by Pfc. Lee, Kyeong-yoon

Korean Wrestling was held in the middle of Soldier Field during KATUSA/U.S. Soldier Friendship Week on Camp Humphreys April 18, 2017. Korean Wrestling is a traditional sport where two people strongly clutch onto loin cloth or belts, competing to make their opponent fall using strength and skill. — U.S. Army photo by Noh, Sabin and Lee, Jeonghee

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U.S. Soldiers and Korean Augmentees to the United States Army assigned to 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade begin their 12mile road march during the brigade's best warrior competition March 29 at Camp Casey. The top Soldiers from each category will go on to represent the Dragon Brigade at the **Eighth Army best warrior** competition.

> U.S. Soldiers and Korean Augmentees to the U.S. Army from the 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade recently completed the Best Warrior competition at Camp Casey. One of the events was the obstacle course. The top Soldiers from each category will represent the Dragon Brigade at the Eighth Army Best Warrior competition.

35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade names top warriors

Story by Capt. Jonathon A. Daniell 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade **Public Affairs**

CAMP CASEY, Korea - After five exhausting days and ten grueling events, the four 35th Air Defense Artillery Brigade warriors earned a year of bragging rights among their peers when they won the brigade's Best Warrior competition.

The 35th ADA Brigade best warrior competition pitted the top Soldiers from Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 35th ADA Brigade, 2nd Battalion, 1st ADA Regiment and 6th Battalion- 52nd ADA Regiment against each other March 27-31 at Camp Casey, Republic of Korea for the title of best warrior.

The contestants were tested mentally and physically, with events ranging from a 12-mile ruck march, to a water survivability test and a live-fire stress shoot to name a few. Soldiers were required to complete each event to continue with the competition.

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"To me, it gives me a sense of pride and honor being the best KATUSA for 35th Brigade," said Yi. "The competition was challenging, it made me think of camaraderie and that I can push myself more than I did before mentally and physically."

The early and deliberate planning led by the brigade operations section resulted in a well-designed and executed competition that challenged the Soldiers. With support from the battalions, the cadre made the focus all about the warriors.

'The Soldiers made the competition what it was," said Sgt. First Class John Dempsey, 35th ADA Brigade event coordinator. "They really pushed themselves and competed. You could tell they all wanted to be there and they all wanted to win."

Blackhawk seniors sign acceptance letters during the Humphreys High School Decision Day ceremony on April 18. The ceremony was held to recognize all graduation seniors that will be continuing their education next fall as they enter colleges across the country. U.S. Army photo provided by Melody Hill



Decision day celebrates college acceptance for Humphreys seniors

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"We join the Army to become elite warriors in the profession of arms," said Col. Mark A. Holler, 35th ADA brigade commander. "We do this thing called competition and it brings out the best of us."

The title of best warrior in the officer division went to 1st Lt. Sang Kim. Sgt. Shawn Vannatter, also of 2-1 ADA, took the nod for top warrior in the noncommissioned officer group. Pfc. Casey Boyle bested the competition for top Soldier and Pfc. Wonbin Yi, also of 6-52 ADA, won the Kore-

The competition was close until the very end-in one category the point differential was three points going into the final event. The winners from each division will represent the Dragon Brigade at the Eighth Army Best Warrior competition.

The Eighth Army Best Warrior competition is scheduled for May 8 - 12; top Soldiers representing every major subordinate command on the Korean Peninsula will test their mettle to earn the title of Best Warrior. The winners of the Soldier and NCO division will compete at the United States Army Pacific best Warrior competition later this summer.

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2-2 Assault Helicopter Battalion Celebrates and Honors kids for the Month of the Military Child



By 1st. Lt. Katelyn Radack 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade Public Affairs K-16 AIR BASE, Seoul - The 2-2 Attack Helicopter Battalion (Wild Cards) transformed their ordinary Organization Day into something extraordinary for the Wild Card families on K-16 Seoul Airbase on April 17--a fun-filled celebration for the youngest Wild Cards in honor of the Month of the Military Child.

The kids' celebration began as an idea from Amelia Small, the D Company Family Readiness Group Leader, in February. Small noted there aren't many chances to recognize the children of our service members who sacrifice for their families and their country, especially those whose families are stationed overseas. She recognized the upcoming battalion Organization Day as an opportunity to do just that. As Small's idea grew from inception to execution, collaboration expanded from FRG leaders in sister companies and battalion leadership to include garrison organizations as well. The result was a fullfledged celebration of our Military Children.

"Normally an Org Day builds esprit-decrops among Soldiers, but there should be an opportunity for families to join the unit in that same spirit," said Small. "This Org Day was special because it brought people together long before the actual day. The support and generosity throughout the community have been overwhelming."

When the Organization Day finally arrived, almost 200 children and their families found games, prizes and an ice cream social for all ages. Children joined Soldiers for a parent-child three-legged race and every child received personalized, signed certificates from the unit commanders, with another 100 certificates sent to Soldiers' children living in the United States.

Jodel Nomura of D Company said his children were excited to receive the certificates.

"My twins (aged 4) thought it was awesome to see their names on the certificates. I didn't expect them to seem so happy," Nomura said. "Moani even did a little dance when I showed her her name on it!"

Amidst all the fun, battalion leadership also capitalized on the opportunity to improve unit readiness. 1st Lt. Macaela Seward organized Noncombatant Evacuation Operations Wardens and Legal Assistance to check families' binders, fit gas masks and sign powers of attorney. Community support organizations including Army Community Service, the USO, and the American Red Cross, also supported the event with information, gifts and prizes.

Lt. Col. Patrick Schuck, 2-2 AHB commander, emphasized the underlying focus on readiness and community building.

"Thanks to the hard work of our Soldiers and Family volunteers, this Organization Day built camaraderie across the unit, but even more importantly, the fun activities drew maximum participation so we could integrate readiness tasks and prepare Families with information and resources," he said.

For Rachel and Tyler Bertles, newly-arrived to Korea with their eight month-old son Peter, K-16 is their first duty station and this their first Organization Day.

"It was a great day full of lots of fun and activities for the whole family. The volunteers did an amazing job organizing and bringing the whole event together. It was the perfect way to meet and get to know other people and families in the battalion," Bertles said.

The day ended with a popcorn party and movie for the children while the battalion recognized the Soldier and FRG volunteers whose service and creative energy made the event possible.

Martina Correa, E-52nd FRG Leader said the day served another purpose.

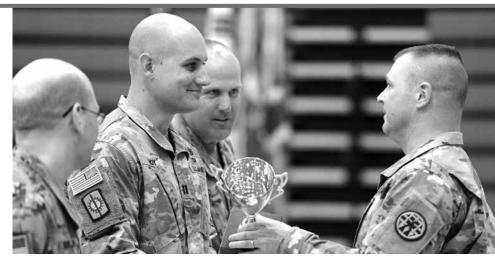
"Happy, satisfied families means Soldiers are happier as well, and can concentrate more on the mission. Happy military families mean stronger Army Soldiers."

U.S. Army Correctional Activity-Korea named best unit in the Army

Story and photo by Bob McElroy USAG Humphreys Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Korea – U.S. Army Correctional Activity-Korea recently won the Brig. Gen. Jeremiah P. Holland Award as the best company-sized Military Police unit in the Army. During a brief ceremony at the Sitman Physical Fitness Center here, Command Sgt. Maj. Bradley E. Cross, command sergeant major of the Army Corrections Command presented the Holland trophy to the leaders and Soldiers of USACA-K. The Military Police Corps awards the J.P. Holland trophy annually to a company or smaller-sized element to promote esprit de corps and recognize excellence displayed over a 12-month period. The MPs first presented the award in September 1970. Lt. Col. Timothy M. Mahoney, commander of the 94th Military Police Battalion said the Holland award is a significant recognition for a Military Police unit.

"The J.P. Holland is a big deal for us in the MP Corps and it was a distinct pleasure for me to get the notification that USACA-K won the award. It is a formal recognition of what many of you in the unit already know: that your unit is the best. Every unit should have that pride and drive, it is what we try to inculcate every day." Mahoney said. Mahoney said it has been a long time since a Korea-based MP unit won the Holland. "I take a distinct pride in knowing that you all earned this award while being stationed far from your families or serving your first assignment overseas. I'm also especially proud because the last time a unit in Korea won the award was in 2001 so great job bringing that trophy



U.S. Army Correctional Activity-Korea won the Brig. Gen. Jeremiah P. Holland Award as the best company-sized Military Police unit in the Army. Here, Command Sgt. Maj. Bradley E. Cross, command sergeant major of the Army Corrections Command presents the trophy to USACA-K Commander Capt. Derick M.

Hoy as Facility Sergeant Major Sgt. Maj. Justin E. Shad and First Sergeant 1st Sgt. Shad O. Soellner look on.

back to the peninsula where it belong," he said.

Cross echoed Mahoney's sentiments on the import of the Holland Award to MP units.

"For the record, I know it's been said, but, yes, winning the J.P. Holland Award is a big deal," Cross said. "It never ceases to amaze me the amount of responsibility we give such junior Soldiers at a young age and the level of professionalism that they get after their job, executing their mission it's absolutely incredible. And because of that it's no surprise to me that the Guardian knights won this award." USACA-K traces its lineage to the 249th MP Detachment which was established on Aug. 23, 1943 and inactivated following World War II. It was activated and inactivated twice more before being activated in Korea on June 24, 1960. The 249th MP Detachment was inactivated on Oct. 2, 2007 when the U.S. Army Corrections Command was activated in Korea.



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Eagle Scout candidate Raymond Santiago provided a thorough safety briefing before volunteers began to plant trees at the small park next to the Humphreys High School athletic fields on April 1.

Story and photos by Bob McElroy USAG Humphreys Public Affairs

CAMP HUMPHREYS, Korea – There's a small park with a gazebo near the Humphreys High School athletic fields that 13-year old Raymond Santiago walked past every day. The park was overgrown with weeds and grass and seemed a sad place to him.

Santiago, an eighth-grade student at Humphreys Middle School is also a Boy Scout and candidate for Eagle Scout, the organization's highest honor. The poor state of the park gave him an idea—why not fix it up for his required Eagle Scout project?

"I see it every day, it looked dark and sad, I wanted to change it and make it better," Santiago said. "I wanted to leave a good place."

Santiago envisioned a park where people could sit and relax, enjoy the summer or visit during high school football games in the fall. "I knew it was going to be a nice project, it didn't look like it should have," he said.

He first thought of the project in June 2016 and began planning for it. His goal was to clean up the area, and plant trees and grass.

But first he had to develop his plan, contact the right people or agencies and bring it all together. He needed to clear the area of brush and debris, acquire trees, grass and the tools to make it happen.

"Planning was one of the most crucial things about this project," he said.

Santiago estimated he spent about 165 hours of preparation and planning before planting day. He visited a local tree farmer to look at trees and get cost estimates.

He visited the work site ten times to measure it and do some test digging to determine how deep the holes needed to be to support his trees.

The months of planning and coord-ination came to fruition on Saturday, April 1 when about 40 volunteers--scouts, parents, students and friends-began turning Santiago's vision to a reality.

The Humphreys Garrison Directorate of Public Works had already cleared the site and replaced the topsoil, now it was time to plant 27 small evergreen trees.

First Santiago briefed them on the project, outlining the steps and emphasizing safety above all else.

Local farmer Lee, Seong Gu helped the volunteers plant the trees. Lee showed how deep to dig the hole, the correct amount of fertilizer to add and then how to pack the soil properly around the roots.

When the trees were in the ground the Humphreys Fire Department arrived with a pump truck and watered the new plantings.

All of this happened under Santiago's watchful eye as he roamed the site, helping as needed and ensuring things went smoothly.

The next step in Santiago's project was to lay sod over the cleared ground around the trees. On April 8 more than 20 volun-teers came out to do just that. Awaiting them were nine and one half pallets of new sod DPW Environmental Division donated for the project.

As on April 1, the Humphreys Fire Department sent a pump truck to water the freshly-laid sod. They even let some of the volunteers use the fire hose to water. Raymond Santiago's Eagle Scout project halfway to completion, waiting only for volunteers to place the sod seen stacked on pallets around the park.— U.S. Army photo by Clint Stone

Santiago said that he was grateful for the support from so many community agencies. In addition to the contri-butions from DPW and the Fire Department, the Humphreys United Club donated safety gear, work gloves and bottled water. The Veterans of Foreign Wars donated \$500 for two benches for the gazebo.

"A lot of people have donated and we're very, very grateful, it took lots of help from others," Santiago said. "There aren't enough 'Thank yous' for everybody."

Now that his project is complete Santiago will face a board of review composed of scout leaders. They'll interview him, check his Scout uniform to ensure he's wearing it properly and pose questions regarding scouting and his life. They'll ask him to reflect on his scouting experience.

"They make you think a lot about whether you're worthy to become an Eagle Scout," Santiago said.

When he reflects on his Eagle Scout project, Santiago said it showed him he can do anything.

"People don't have to be limited to some boundaries," he said. "It shows that, every time I walk past with my friends, that was my Eagle Scout project."

On April 8 when the sod was down and watered, as volunteers cleaned up the area, his project nearly complete, Raymond Santiago looked over the small park, reflecting.

"It feels good and looks nice. I'm really proud of all the work and effort we put into it," Santiago said. "I had this vision and now, here it is."



Amy and Aaron Wolcott were two of the more than 20 volunteers who helped lay sod as part of Raymond Santiago's Eagle Scout project on April 8.

Humphreys Fire Fighter So Myong Sok (left) was part of the fire crew who helped water the sod at Raymond Santiago's Eagle Scout project on Apri 8. Also shown are Keegan and Devlin Welsh. — U.S. Army photos by Bob McElroy



Maj. Raymond M. Santiago (left) and local tree farmer Lee, Seong Gu (right) added plant food to a newlyplanted tree before they filled the hole they watered the tree.

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Making History Through Combined Operations

By 1st Lt. Ellen C. Brabo, Sgt. Uriah Walker and Sgt. Byun, Sung-guk **19th ESC Public Affairs**

DAEGU, South Korea - Combined operations are nothing new for service members stationed in the Republic of Korea. Units are continually training with their ROK military counterparts and work hand in hand with Korean Augmentations to the United States Army on a daily basis. This year however, United States Forces Korea gave a new definition to combined operations during exercise Operation Pacific Reach, April 11-21.

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ExOPR17 is a combined joint logistics over the shore exercise and is hosted every other year on the Korean Peninsula. In years past, CJLOTS exercises were conducted on a smaller scale in order to test the interoperability between U.S. and ROK systems. The focus of CJLOTS is to train units and test capabilities related to humanitarian efforts. The expectation is that the established training sites simulate a port the military could use anywhere around the globe should the situation dictate.

This year, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command in conjunction with 7th Transportation Brigade - Expeditionary, 2nd Infantry Division Sustainment Brigade, 403rd Army Field Support Brigade, Eighth Army, USFK, U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, ROK Army, ROK Marines and ROK Air Force, came together for exOPR17. For roughly two weeks these forces had the opportunity to establish their respective nodes, test and demonstrate capabilities, conduct cross training between branches and become a part of logistics history.

"When you look at the context of this exercise, we looked at bringing commodities and supplies ashore not only from the sea, but also via rail and air, utilizing multiple nodes for injecting commodities and supplies that are much needed for the and life support area. During the first four days of exOPR17 the ADC successfully completed more than 20 supply convoys to various units across the training area to enable commanders to continue dynamic operations.

"Every function here is combined with our ROK counterparts," said Lt. Col. Bobby Bryant, 2ID SBDE deputy commanding officer. "We have combined ammunition, general supply, fuel and maintenance sections as well as transportation convoy opera-

the location where vehicles and containers are required to go after arriving on the peninsula. In-transit visibility is provided for all branches of the military that need a staging area before the vehicles and equipment are sent to their final destination.

"The Movement Control Team that we are partnered with [has] the load plans and the final destinations of where [the vehicles] are all going," said Spc. Brian Katta, 551st ICTC cargo specialist. "We provide fuel and other support while they are here. Our main goal is to get them into the CRSP yard, staged and ready to roll to their final destination within a 24 hour time frame."

Distribution System to transfer product from a tanker to a depot on the beach.

"We successfully validated interoperability with seven different bulk fuel systems and across four combined join services," said USMC Chief Warrant Officer 2 Victor Sanchez, 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Marine Logistics Group bulk fuel detachment officer in charge.

Throughout the exercise, units continued to break new ground. A veteran of past CJLOTS operations in Korea, having been a participant since 2013, 7th TBX initiated their aspect of exOPR17 with the stabbing of Trident Pier at Dogu Beach. The pier served



Exercise Operation Pacific Reach allows service members from all branches the opportunity to conduct combined joint logistics over the shore operations and enhance their interoperability. This year's exercise was the largest combined exercise hosted in the Republic of Korea and was conducted in Pohang, April 11 - 21. The initial planning conference for CJLOTS 2019 will be hosted later this month. — Top Left: U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Sin, Jae-hyung, Top Right: U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Uriah Walker, Bottom: U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Byun, Sung-guk



tions."

In addition, 403rd AFSB, 2ID SBDE, 25th Transportation Battalion and 4th Quartermaster

Another significant node as the key piece to allowing the during the exercise was the Inland Petroleum Distribution System operated by 339th Quartermaster Company, 498th CSSB, 19th ESC and the Amphibious Assault Fuel System owned by the USMC. This joint operation required coordination between the U.S. Army, USMC, USN and the ROK-MC. The two systems worked together to store and distribute fuel products from Dogu Beach, Pohang, to forward operating bases. Once the AAFS was constructed and fully operational, the U.S. Naval Ship Wheeler utilized the Offshore Petroleum

modular causeways to link in for the upload and download of multiple vehicles, to include a historic first when the ROK-A successfully linked their barge to the U.S. Army pier to download their vehicles over the shore. "I think what was key about this year's exercise was that we had a really robust equipment set," said Col. Stacy Townsend, 7th TBX Commander. "Over the last five years, we have had containers or small equipment sets that didn't really tax our capabilities and force us to push ourselves to be better. This time we

had a robust offload and upload of equipment that allowed us to tax ourselves unlike we have before."

Throughout the exercise, multiple foreign services sent members to observe the combined operations. One of these elements was the Australian Army. With more than 20 years of service and a vast amount of knowledge in regards to amphibious operations, Lt. Col. David Nathan, 10th Force Support Battalion commander, was one of two officers selected to observe the exercise.

"I was hoping to gain a greater insight into the capabilities and how we could get a greater level of interoperability," said Nathan. "I am talking about right down to the basic level of whether our equipment is interoperable. Whether our four-inch connector faces with the six-inch connector for bulk fuel. That would then go to inform about what type of capabilities we could provide to future iterations of the combined distribution exercise."

Due to its limited capabilities, the Australian Army does not often have the opportunity to exercise CJLOTS. However, their fundamental concept of combined logistics is similar to that of exO-PR17. Once these officers return to home station, they will present a post activity report of their key observations and recommendations to the chief of joint operations in regards to the future participation of the Australian defense force in a combined distribution exercise.

"I think there will be a number of recommendations that are made, from the very small level of the interface of staff in staff planning and the integration of people in to U.S. headquarters all the way through the provision of capability," said Nathan.

As units look to the future of combined logistics and more specifically the CJLOTS exercise hosted in the ROK, they will be sure to pay close attention to lessons learned and work to mitigate past challenges that will be reported at an after action review now that the exercise has concluded. The initial planning conference for CJLOTS 2019 is scheduled for later this month. "Together we set up an exercise that leveraged the individual capability while at the same time testing the interoperability on how we operate together as a service as well as in a combined environment with our ROK part-

forces in a time of war," said USN Cpt. Thomas Dearborn, Expeditionary Strike Group 3 chief of staff.

U.S. and ROK-A soldiers combined their efforts during exO-PR17 in order to establish an Area Distribution Center used to deliver necessities such as food, fuel and ammunition to other units participating in the exercise. In addition to moving supplies, the ADC also supported its own maintenance yard, dining facility

Detachment, in coordination with the ROK-AF, prepared two types of Low Cost Aerial Delivery Systems, both high and low velocity, in order to deliver nearly 30 loads of simulated fuel to a ROK-AF drop zone located outside of Busan.

The 551st Inland Cargo Transfer Company, 498th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 19th ESC, played a major role in overseeing the Central Receiving and Shipping Point. The CRSP is

ners," said Dearborn.

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Military Police ID Area IV Children

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By Sgt. Chun, Taek-jun USAG Daegu Public Affairs

USAG DAEGU - On Apr. 15, the Area IV Family Advocacy Program paired up with the Provost Marshal Office to host Children's ID card making at Camp Walker Food Court. The investigators from the PMO helped people who wanted to make a Child ID card and provided explanation why it was helpful for the parents.



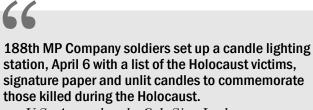
"If a child comes up lost, missing for whatever reason, they may have to report to the PMO. Everything is on one card should they report anything to the PMO," said Military Police Investigator Staff Sgt. Jessica Sears. "Parents are upset and distracted, but everything is already on the card, so they show up to PMO and it is all there. The parents don't have to sit down and try to give all the information to the MPs or local law enforcement. We already have all the information on the child so we can push out the 'Be on the Look Out' and start looking for child with photograph and all."

"It is a good resource in case something could happen in the future," said Valerie Fontanez who made her children's Child ID card. "I don't know what could happen with them. Having the information already recorded you can help speed everything, which is good." The Child ID has everything the law enforcement will need. "In the Child ID, there are personal data, including head and full body pictures," said Sears. Not only that, there are sections where you could write down emergency contact information, directions of what you need to do if your child is lost or missing and safety tips to avoid those situations.

"The card's information can be updated," said Sears. You can remove the picture and update it with an updated picture.

"We haven't have any children come up missing, which is fortunate because we do not want them going up missing," said Sears. "As far as Area IV, this is the first time ever we've done it. We are doing the partnership just to make sure the children are all safe."





— U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Sin, Jae-hyung

camps. These camps were designed to kill large numbers of Jews as quickly as possible by using toxic gas.

The United States Congress established the Days of Remembrance as the nation's annual commemoration of the victims of the Holocaust and created the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum as a permanent living memorial to those victims.

"I think the Holocaust is a tragedy

caust. One Soldier was assigned to each station and available to answer questions regarding the posters. Documentaries about the Holocaust were played during the entire event. There was also a candle lighting station where a list of the victims was displayed. Participants could leave their signature and light a candle in their memory.

"We took reference of the Holocaust Memorial Museum website for information and videos, and we are planning to send all the signatures to the Holocaust Museum to show our support all the way from the Korean Peninsula," said 2nd Lt. Alexandra C. Dean, Platoon Leader, 188th MP Co. "There still remain racial conflicts nowadays, so it is important to educate people and increase the level of their awareness, so that an event like that never happens again." Remembrance not only gives people a chance to memorialize those killed during the Holocaust, but it also reminds them of their responsibility to confront hatred, prevent genocide and promote human dignity.

Remembering the Days of the Holocaust

By Cpl. Sin, Jae-hyung 19th ESC Public Affairs

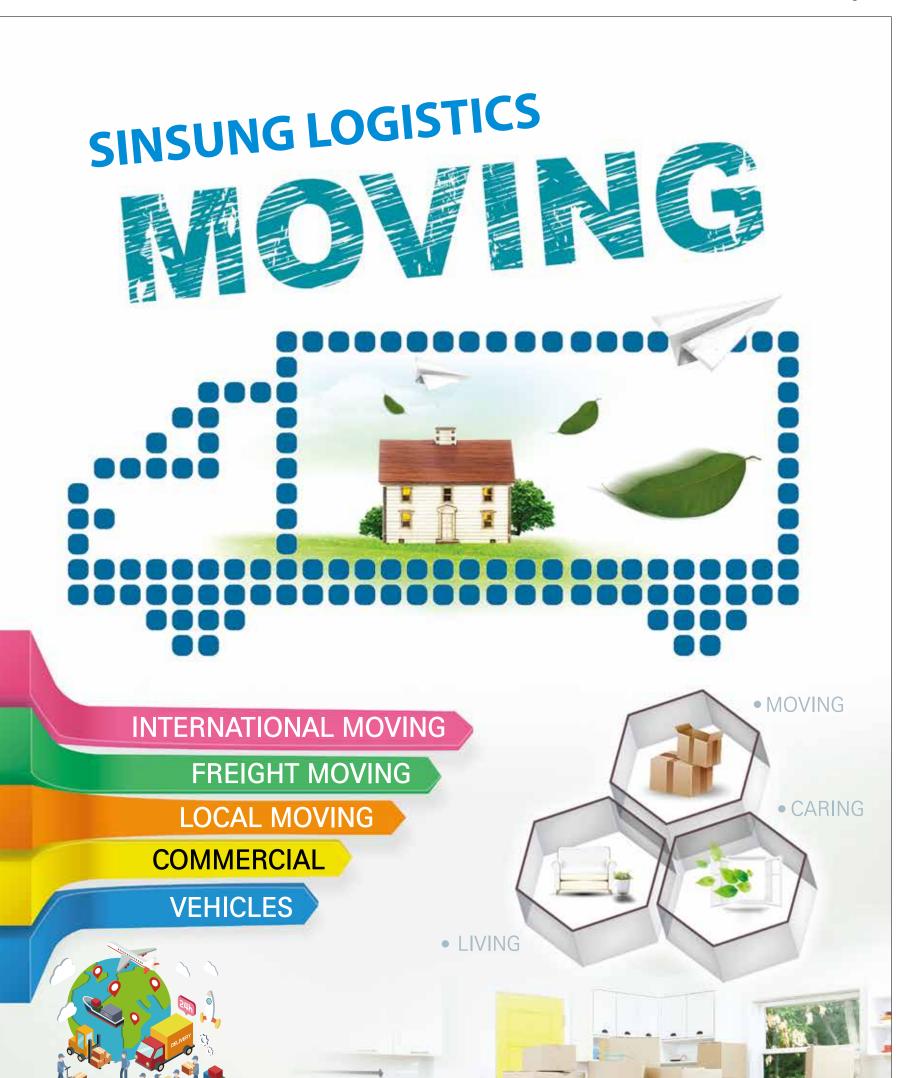
DAEGU, South Korea – The 188th Military Police Company, 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command hosted the Holocaust Remembrance Day Observance, April 6, at Camp Henry Theater to remember those killed during the Holocaust and highlight the importance of human dignity.

The Holocaust is the deadliest

genocide in history. Nearly six million European Jews were killed by Nazi Germany based upon its racial policy between 1933 and 1945 during World War II. As a part of their racial segregation and extermination policy, also known as the Final Solution to the Jewish Question, the Nazis established a network of concentration camps where the Jews were either killed or made to work as slave laborers, undernourished and tortured. Later, they built extermination because some targeted people were persecuted just because they did not meet a certain 'standard' the Nazis made for themselves," expressed Sgt. Kenwyn H. Peters, Squad Leader, 188th MP Company.

The observance was an interactive event open to all units, schools and members of the Daegu community. Soldiers of the 188th MP Co. set up several stations where participants could walk through and read from posters for the information regarding historical events during the Holo-

The 19th ESC will build upon the lessons learned from this event and use them to prepare for another meaningful remembrance to ensure genocide does not happen again.



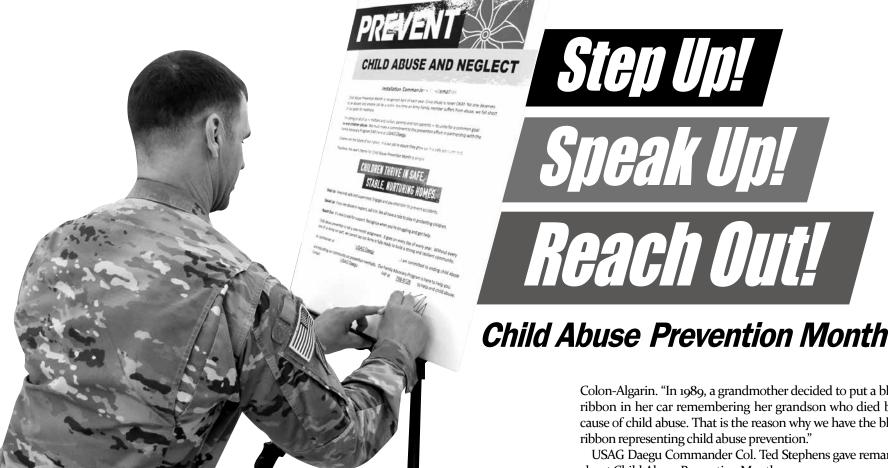
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Col. Ted Stephens signs the proclamation for Child Abuse **Prevention Month at the Camp** George Daegu American School on April 12. — U.S. Army photo by Cpl. Soh, Jung-han

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By Cpl. Soh, Jung-han USAG Daegu Public Affairs

SAG DAEGU - April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is a time to focus on the importance of families and communities working together to prevent child abuse and neglect and to promote social awareness and prevention.

United States Army Garrison Daegu Army Community Services Family Advocacy Program held a proclamation ceremony at the Camp George Daegu American School on Apr. 12.

The ceremony began with opening remarks about the importance of Blue Ribbons by FAP Manager Gladys Colon-Algarin.

"Blue Ribbon is a symbol of child abuse awareness," said

Colon-Algarin. "In 1989, a grandmother decided to put a blue ribbon in her car remembering her grandson who died because of child abuse. That is the reason why we have the blue ribbon representing child abuse prevention."

USAG Daegu Commander Col. Ted Stephens gave remarks about Child Abuse Prevention Month.

"Thank you for allowing us to come today and talk to students about very important subject," said Stephens. "One of the most important things we do is to report. Everyone should report things what they see that are incorrect."

Stephens signed the proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month. This year's theme is: Children thrive in safe, stable, nurturing homes. Child abuse prevention is not a one month assignment but it goes on every day of every year. Without every one of us doing our part, we cannot say our Army is fully ready to build a strong and resilient community.

After the signing, Stephens and three students from DAS cut the cake to commemorate Child Abuse Prevention Month. Stephens also handed out cupcakes and bags of child abuse awareness materials to teachers and students.

For more information, please contact USAG Daegu ACS Family Advocacy Program at DSN: 768-8126/7112.

SHARP **Olympics** Expands Knowledge through Fun



Soldiers from HHC, USAG Daegu enjoy themselves during SHARP Olympics on April 20. — U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Chun, Taek-jun



Sgt. Humphreys from American Forces Network Daegu asks questions about SHARP to Soldiers during the SHARP Olympics on April 20. — U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Chun, Taek-jun

By Intern Lee, Jo-eun USAG Daegu Public Affairs

USAG DAEGU - April is National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention month. Area IV Sexual Harassment Assault Response and Prevention team held various events such as First Responders Fair, SHARP Ambassador Training and SHARP Relay Race to get rid of sexual assault and harassment.

The SHARP Olympics hosted by United States Army Garrison Daegu SHARP Office took place at Camp Henry Victory Field on Apr. 20. It was held to promote SHARP Awareness month and create interactive training.

"SHARP Olympics reminds people of awareness and

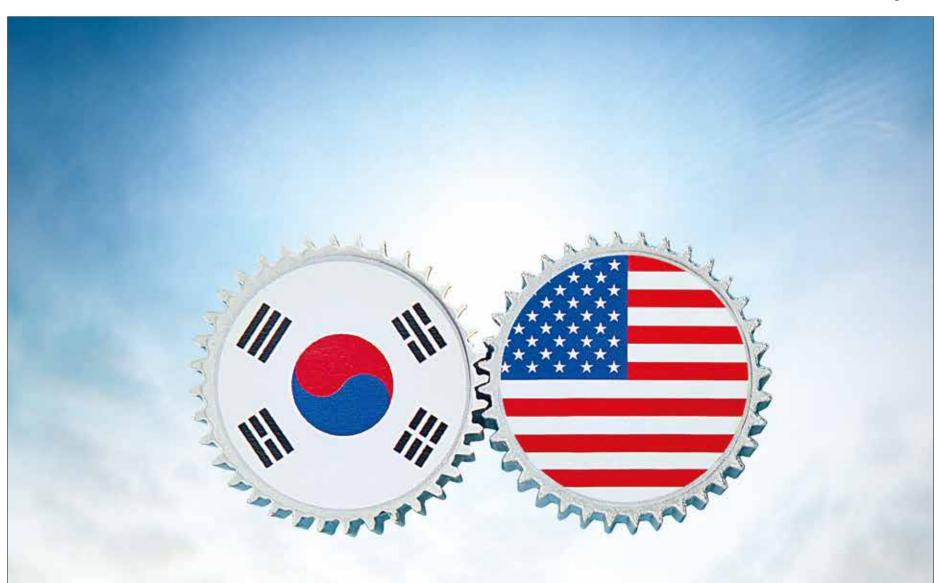
responsibility," said Richard Flowers, USAG Daegu Sexual Assault Response Coordinator. "This event is ringing out information and knowledge about sexual harassment and prevention, as people have fun playing games. By putting lots of entertainment, the younger and older, Soldiers and Civilians can work together and then we start talking about the differences and understanding conflict situation. Everyone can join the SHARP Olympics."

The game asked SHARP related questions such as "Other than SARC or VA, who else can you go with the restricted case?" If the contestant missed a question, they were doused by water guns and water balloons while riding a bike or dancing.

"It was so exciting Olympics!" said Staff Sgt. Micah Voss, Logistics Readiness Center, Daegu 403rd AFSB, AMC. "I got the wrong answer and had to dance but it was fun. I became more aware of the things related to SHARP knowledge."

"It was really fun," said Pfc. Lee, Hyun-chang, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USAG Daegu. "I enjoyed it. I learned about SHARP by that game. It was a good experience. I wish we do this event again next year."

"SHARP awareness month is once a year for the Army but we do it every day. Respecting everyone around you!" said Richard Flowers. For more information regarding the SHARP and SAAPM, contact at Area IV SHARP SARC or 763-4069. ▶



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Col. Ted Stephens skaes hands with Korea Army Academy at Yeoncheon superintendent Maj. Gen. Seo, Jung-yeol before his lecture to KAAY Cadets on April 19. — U.S. Army Photo by Cpl. Soh, Jung-han

Colonel Speaks to ROK FUTURE Leaders

By Cpl. Soh, Jung-han USAG Daegu Public Affairs

USAG DAEGU – United States Army Garrison Daegu Commander Col. Ted Stephens visited Korea Army Academy at Yeongcheon to give a lecture to junior and senior Cadets about host nation operations and relationship building based on his military experiences on Apr. 19.

"These small changes that general Seo has made in a short period time impressed me tremendously, said Stephens. "One of the things was the smile. As anytime I am involved with our ROK partners, I am always impressed. I did not serve in Korea until I was a Lieutenant Colonel. I was a battalion commander up near to the Demilitarized Zone at Dongducheon. I told you how happy I am to serve here and that's just one of the thing I would like to talk about when I'm amazed at the progress the Republic of Korea has made since our grandfathers fought in the Korean War."

Stephens also had office calls with Maj. Gen. Seo, Jung-yeol, the superintendent of the KAAY and Brig. Gen. Lee, Hyung-woo, the dean of academic board of KAAY. Seo gave a big welcome and gratitude to Stephens for visiting KAAY and giving lecture to Cadets.

KAAY is the Republic of Korea Army Military Academy for the undergraduate education and military training of officers. It is located in Yeongcheon, Gyeongsangbuk-do, South Korea. KAAY is the only military academy in the world to accept transferred juniors from universities and train them for two years before they are given the commission of second lieutenants.

There was originally only one Army academy in Korea, the Korea Military Academy. However, as the North Korea's threats reached its peak in 1968, it came to attention that more officers were needed in the ROK Army to lead Soldiers the right way. So, "But I don't mean being so aggressive, dogmatic and be angry, yell and scream. Just like your superintendent talks about the smile, talks about the love. You can do that while still maintaining the distance between the leader and the led. You are not going to have the right answer today. It does require some introspective thought and figure out how you're going to do it. They have to respect you as the leader and you have to show respect and love for them but that doesn't mean that you're their buddy."



Col. Ted Stephens gives a lecture to KAAY Cadets about host nation operations and relationship building on April 19. — U.S. Army Photo by Cpl. Soh, Jung-han



the same year, the KAAY was found on Oct. 15.

I know myself when I was a platoon leader as a lieutenant, I wish I would have done things a little bit different," said Stephens. "I was probably too friendly with my Soldiers. Although I thought I was doing the right thing, I compromised my position to enforce good order of discipline which ultimately platoon leaders that what we are responsible for."

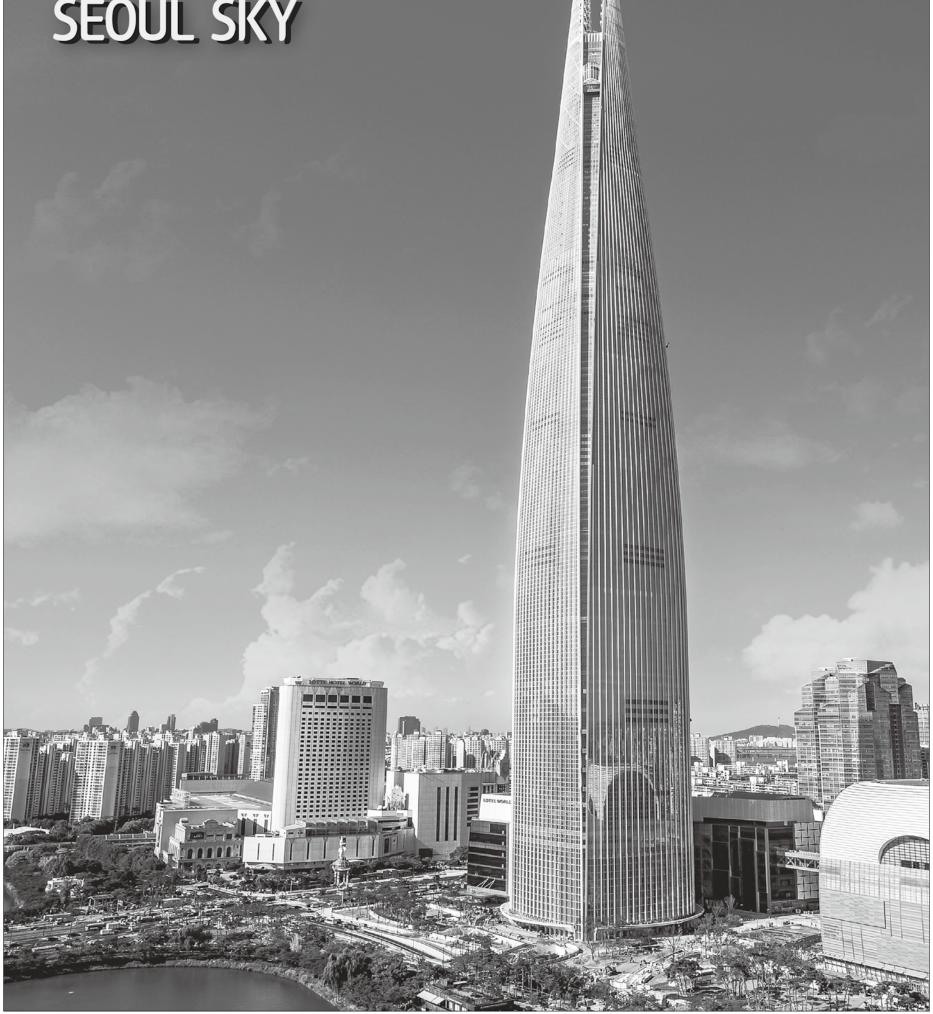
Stephens advise the Cadets to think about how the platoon leader should treat and deal with their Soldiers.

"So, to the future platoon leaders, I would encourage you to remain in charge," said Stephens.

Col. Ted Stephens and Cadets take a group photo after his lecture at Korea Army Academy at Yeongcheon on April 19. — U.S. Army Photo by Cpl. Soh, Jung-han



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