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Suicide Prevention Stand Down

Today, our Army will stand down to conduct suicide prevention training. This is an opportunity to heighten awareness for Soldiers, Civilians, Families and communities about suicide threat factors, about the resources available for help, and about building resiliency across the force.

I cannot overemphasize how important this issue is to me. Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy to our Families, to our units, and to our Army.

We must work together to create a culture and an environment where people feel comfortable getting the behavioral health assistance that they need. Our Warrior Ethos states "I will never leave a fallen comrade." I need everyone to take that to heart. Every individual contemplating suicide has a friend, Family member, or leader in the position to help. I need you all to get involved. Intervening requires personal courage and leadership. It isn't easy, but there is no room for bystanders.

We are a resilient Army, and we are committed to building our individual and collective strength – physically, emotionally, socially, spiritually, and within our Families. You must continue to refine and apply the resiliency skills you learn.

Last week I visited Afghanistan, Djibouti, and the Sinai Peninsula where I had the opportunity to talk with, present awards to, and re-enlist Soldiers. I am so proud of and humbled by the dedication and professionalism I see throughout the Army on a daily basis. Every member of our Army Family is important, and we will never waver on providing you the care and support you so rightly deserve.

Sincerely,

RAYMOND T. ODIERNO
General, United States Army

FRG Council Updates Priorities

Department of Defense

The Department of Defense (DoD) Military Family Readiness Council met on September 20, 2012 at the Pentagon Conference Center, welcomed several new members, and worked on updating its focus to reflect new budget realities. In response to requirements authorized by the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012, membership was expanded to include one spouse or parent representative from each of the Services, as well as the director of the Office of Community Support for Military Families with Special Needs. They joined the original representation of senior officers from the Services and three representatives from organizations serving military families.

Kathleen Moakler, Government Rela-

tions Director of the National Military Family Association was appointed to the council, continuing our Association's membership on the Council. She was joined by new members Sherri Brown from the American Red Cross and Noeleen Tillman from Blue Star Families. Jeanne Chandler, spouse of the Sergeant Major of the Army, and Paula Roy, spouse of Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, were also sworn in as new members of the Council. Erin Conaton, Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, led the meeting, calling its charge "critical work" in the minds of all the DOD and Service leaders.

To read more, please click [HERE](#).



Seoul Land Military Sales

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Big Savings for Military Personnel and USFK ID Card Holders!

Seoul Land Parks invite Military Personnel and their Families with the special offer, more than 60 % discount.

The ticket allows you to visit the whole park including 5 different themed areas: World Plaza, Samchulli Land, Tomorrow Land, Fantasy Land, and Adventure Land, and Christmas Garden and Sled slope during winter. For more information about Seoul

Land, please click [HERE](#).

Now it's only 10,000 KW regardless of ages. The regular price is 32,000 KW. This All Day Pass is valid from Today till 31 January 2013.

Tickets are available from today to 11 OCTOBER 2012 at FRG office, RM 110 in Sobingo compound.

Play Military Trivia and Win an iPod

FMWR

Do you think you know military history and trivia? Test your knowledge with our Military.com Trivia Challenge. Here's how you win: For each question you answer correctly you'll receive one point, and for each point you'll earn an electronic raffle ticket. At the end of the month we'll have a random drawing of all the tickets and

pull out one to determine the winner. Play as little or as much as you'd like during the month, but the more questions you answer correctly, the greater your chances of winning. To play now, click: <http://www.military.com/Trivia/Home?ESRC=mrvr>

AAFES \$500 Essay Contest

AAFES

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) is asking shoppers to write a short 220-500 word essay on which Exchange Value representative they feel best depicts their lifestyle and how they identify with their preferred individual. Video introductions of all representatives can be seen at <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/PatriotFamily>. One winner from each represented category will be

chosen to receive a \$500 Exchange gift card. The contest is open to all military and DoD ID card holders 18-years-old and older. The contest is open until 4 October 2012. Contest entry details, and complete contest rules are available at the Patriot Family Connection webpage at <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/Community/patriotfamily/contests.htm>



Chuseok Holiday in Modern-Day Korea

Korea Tourism Organization

Nowadays, the three most-celebrated holidays in Korea are: the New Year, Dano, and Chuseok. Also known as 'Hangawi,' Chuseok falls on the 15th of August according to the lunar calendar and is, without a doubt, the nation's most important holiday. Although Chuseok itself is only one day, the holiday period spans that day before and after Chuseok, making for 3 consecutive

days of festivities.

During Chuseok, people nationwide flee the city in order to return back to their family's hometowns for the holiday (traditionally to visit relatives on their paternal side). With an amazing 75% of the population on the road during this mass exodus, highways and roads throughout the country are extremely congested. Since train and bus tickets are sold out a



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2012 National Hispanic Heritage Month



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This year's National Theme is "Diversity United, Building America's Future Today". The Theme refers to the vital role Hispanics play in the moments that shape our country, and during Hispanic American Heritage Month the U.S. Army recognizes the achievements and contributions of these individuals. America's diversity is a source of strength, and Hispanic Americans have not hesitated to defend and show their allegiance to this nation in many ways, but especially through military service.

Originally a week-long celebration approved by President Johnson, National Hispanic Heritage Month (15 September – 15 October) was enacted into law in 1988. The celebration heightens our attention to diversity and the many contributions Hispanics have made to enrich the United States.

To learn more, please click [HERE](#).

2012 Chuseok Holiday Schedules at Major Sites & Shops

Korea Tourism Organization

One of the most popular holidays in Korea is Chuseok (추석), the Korean equivalent of Thanksgiving in Western cultures. The Chuseok holiday season usually lasts for three days – the day before, the day of, and the day after – during which many tourist sites and shops close.

This year, Chuseok Day falls on September 30th, and the Chuseok holidays will accordingly run from September 29th through October 1st. For visitors' convenience, the Korea Tourism Organization is providing a list of Chuseok holiday schedules and hours of some of the most popular tourist sites and shops across Korea. The listed schedules and hours are

subject to change. Please contact the 1330 tt call center for any updates during the holidays.

Most restaurants will be closed during the Chuseok holidays, especially on Chuseok Day. However, hotel restaurants, chain restaurants including Bennigan's, Outback Steakhouse and VIPS, as well as some restaurants in downtown areas, namely Insa-dong and Gangnam, will remain open during the holidays.

For 2012 Chuseok Holiday Schedules at Major Sites & Shops, please click [HERE](#).

**AREA II COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION – USAG YONGSAN CLOSURES DURING CHUSEOK
MONDAY, 01 OCTOBER 2012**

GARRISON SERVICES

CLOSED

OPEN

<p>Directorate of Emergency Services (DES)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pass/ID Office (Camp Kim) • Pass/Exception to Policy/ Vehicle Decal Office (BLDG 4305) • MP Station Admin Section • DBIDS Registration (1RC BLDG) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MP Station
<p>Directorate of Logistics (DOL)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver's Testing @ ACS • Personal Property Shipping (HHG) • Clothing Issue Facility (CIF) • Vehicle Processing Center (VPC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dining Facilities • On-Post Shuttle Services
<p>Directorate of Public Works (DPW)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Help Center • Housing Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Order Desk
<p>Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ration Control Office (1RC BLDG) • Education Services Office • Army Substance Abuse Program • Official Mail Room • Army Career Alumni Program • Consolidated Mail Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ID Card Services • Military Personnel Division • Transition Assistance Office
<p>Army Community Services (ACS)</p>	<p>All services closed, however the following services are on call:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victim Advocate • Army Emergency Relief (AER) 	<p align="center">N/A</p>

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**Directorate of
Family, Morale,
Welfare and
Recreation
(DFMWR)**

- School Age Services (SAS)
- Child Development Center (CDC)
- All Pool Locations
- R&R Bar and Grill
- Harvey's
- Driving Range (South Post)
- Family Fun Park
- Yongsan Lanes Bowling Center
- Harvey's Lounge
- K-16 Bowling Center
- Libraries (Yongsan, Hannam Village and K-16)
- Arts and Crafts
- Auto Skills Center

- Sung Nam Golf Course
- Collier Community Fitness Center
- Trent Warrior Resiliency Fitness Center
- Hannam Village Fitness Center
- K-16 Fitness Center
- Moyer Community Activity Center
- K-16 Community Activity Center

**Religious Support
Office (RSO)**

- Religious Services
- Religious Retreat Center (RRC)

N/A

**Other On-Post
Services**

- Brian Allgood Army Community Hospital
- Yongsan Troop Medical Clinic
- Dental Clinic
- Veterinary Clinic
- The Exchange
- Yongsan Commissary

- Hannam Village Commissary
- K-16 Commissary

