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Col. Schlosser receives Korean name at friendship ceremony

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The Republic of Korea-U.S. Alliance Friendship Association presented a Korean name to Col. Teresa Schlosser, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District commander, during a ceremony held at the Korea Ministry of National Defense convention center on Nov. 30.

The name Schlosser received was Seol Tae-mi, which carries a specific symbolic significance, according to Woo Hyun-euy, the association's chairwoman.

The family name of Seol was inferred from alphabetic character "S" in her last name. Yongsan is chosen as the origin of her family name. Seol because the district's headquarters is currently located in Seoul. She shares the same family name of the venerable Buddhist monk Wonhyo, whose given name was Seol-Sa, and was known for unifying Shilla's Buddhism theory.

The first name, Tae-mi, is of the Chinese characters Tae meaning "grow big" and Mi meaning "beautiful" signifying the successful construction of the largest overseas U.S. Army Garrison and wishing her continued success in the renovation projects to be completed.



Col. Teresa Schlosser (right), United States Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District commander, and her husband Tim Cutler receive a scroll in Hangul spelling her Korean name, from Woo Hyun-euy, The Republic of Korea-U.S. Alliance Friendship Association chairwoman, during her Korean Naming ceremony held at the Korea Ministry of National Defense convention center, Nov. 30. The name Schlosser received was Seol Tae-mi, which carries a specific symbolic significance, according to Woo. (Photo by Antwaun J. Parrish)

Schlosser was presented with a plaque bearing her Korean name, Seol Tae-Mi and its meaning, emphasizing the continued efforts of the U.S. Forces Korea relocation projects and strengthening of the alliance between the Republic of Korea and the United States.

After the presentation, Schlosser thanked Chairwoman Woo and the association for the honor bestowed upon her. Noting the symbolism of her Korean name, Schlosser explained its personal significance to the audience.


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Col. Jeong Se-ok (left), Ministry of National Defense U.S. Forces Korea Relocation Office (MURO) Program Management Team Chief, and Col. Garrett Cottrell, Deputy Military Chief, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District, sign the U. S. Army Garrison Humphreys One Stop Center Acceptance Release Letter, during a ceremony Nov. 16. This is the facility where all personnel will in-process in and out-process from USAG Humphreys. (Photos by Son Seukhwan and Jamie Hagio)



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“My parents named me after Mother Teresa for her strength, kindness and generosity while working among the poor in Calcutta. I can only hope I’ve lived up to her amazing example, and I try to blend strength, kindness and generosity in all I do as a leader,” said Schlosser.

Her family name is derived from the German language and translates into the word “Castle.” She said that she takes pride in the extra connection her name provides to the Corps of Engineers and our beloved castle logo and the historic East Gate, located near the district compound in Seoul.

“While the East Gate is not a castle it is closely related as a protective fortification, which is what military Engineers have built for thousands of years. I’m sure my parents had no idea I would be an Engineer leader in Dongdaemun, Korea when they named me, but I like to think that fate played a hand in them giving me such a suitable name,” said Schlosser.

After receiving her Korean name, Schlosser said she was humbled at the ROK/US Alliance Friendship Association’s choice.

“I love that it is a strong beautiful name and it further connects me to the

Engineer mission here. I am honored to have been bestowed the name Seol Tae-mi,” said Schlosser.

Schlosser added that the district will remain committed as ever to delivering engineering solutions in the Republic of Korea to further strengthen the alliance.

Currently the district has executed thousands of projects for U.S. Forces Korea, as well as host nation projects. The 10- billion dollar Korea Relocation Program, which the district continues to execute, is more than 80 percent complete.



Col. Teresa Schlosser (center), United States Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District commander, and her husband Tim Cutler (center right) stand among members of The Republic of Korea-U.S. Alliance Friendship Association and other Korean delegates during her Korean Naming ceremony held at the Korea Ministry of National Defense convention center, Nov. 30. The name Schlosser received was Seol Tae-mi, which carries a specific symbolic significance, according to Woo Hyun-euy (center left), the association's chairwoman. (Photo by Antwaun J. Parrish)

Land Development and Utility Infrastructure project complete in-time for personnel surge

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District is overseeing the design, construction, and execution of a multi-year, massive relocation effort currently underway in the Republic of Korea. The move, part of the Yongsan Relocation Plan, relocates most U.S. Forces and headquarters United Nations Command activities from the Seoul metropolitan area to areas south, most notably to U.S. Army Garrison (USAG) Humphreys. USAG Humphreys has grown exponentially over the past 10 years due to projects led by the district.

A key part of this expansion is the development of the land. Camp Humphreys was originally a small military installation but has now grown as the land development and utility infrastructure development (LDUI) plan is completed.

Michael Nyenhuis, an FED program manager at the Korea Program Relocation Office, explained that the LDUI was divided into two parcels for the development work. Construction on both of these began in March 2007. The two parcels were labeled as 2B-1 and 2B-2.

"The garrison is in the bend of a river so that had to build up a huge amount of land because it was really poor soil," said Nyenhuis. "They had to do all the infrastructure, so they had to put in roads, sewer, gas, storm sewer, street lights, curb, landscaping."

Nyenhuis explained that both the parcels were completed by two differ-



Aerial photo of Camp Humphreys, April 2017. (Photo by Antwaun J. Parrish)

ent companies. 2B-1 was completed by Daewoo company, whereas, 2B-2 was completed by GS Engineering and Construction Corporation.

"The 2B-1 project was 819 acres, which is 35 percent of the entire land area of Humphreys and costs about 169 million dollars," said Nyenhuis. "The 2B-2 project was 605 acres, which is 26 percent of the entire land area of Humphreys and costs about 189 million dollars."

As more units relocate to the area and bring a surge of personnel, developing the additional land was necessary to function properly.

"The place was a maze of detours and construction sites when I first ar-

rived," said Nyenhuis. "Every road was covered in dirt. With this project complete you can drive and walk around the garrison. Now it's actually a city in comparison to the multitude of construction it took to build it up."

Many of the construction projects at USAG Humphreys are now complete and within the next few years most of the final projects will finish up as well.

"It feels awesome to see that we are about to be finished with the entire base, it's rewarding," said Nyenhuis. "This next year will be exciting as a lot of buildings are being turned over."

(right) Col. Lee Young-deok, Ministry of National Defense - Defense Installation Agency (MND-DIA) U. S. Forces Korea (USFK) Program Division Chief, Tommy R. Mize, USFK Transformation and Restationing (T&R) Deputy Director, Maj. Gen. James T. Walton, USFK T&R Director, Maj. Gen. Han Cheol-ki, MND-DIA Commander, Brig. Gen. (P) Viet X. Luong, Eighth Army Deputy Commanding General, and Col. Daniel S. Larsen, USFK Engineer, (left to right) visited the Simulation Center and the Noncommissioned Officer Academy at U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Nov. 9. (FED file photo)



(left) Lt. Gen. Todd Semonite (left), USACE Commanding General and 54th U.S. Army Chief of Engineers met with Maj. Gen. Han Cheol-ki (right), Ministry of National Defense-Defense Installation Agency commander, Nov. 11 at Defense Installation Agency headquarters. This is Lt. Gen. Semonite's first visit to South Korea as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers commanding general. (Photo by MND-DIA)

(right) Col. Jeong Se-ok (left), Ministry of National Defense U.S. Forces Korea Relocation Office (MURO) Program Management Team Chief, and Col. Garrett Cottrell, Deputy Military Chief, United States Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, sign the United States Army Garrison Humphreys Commissary Acceptance Release Letter, during a ceremony Nov. 1. This is the second largest commissary overseas. (Photo by O Sang-song)





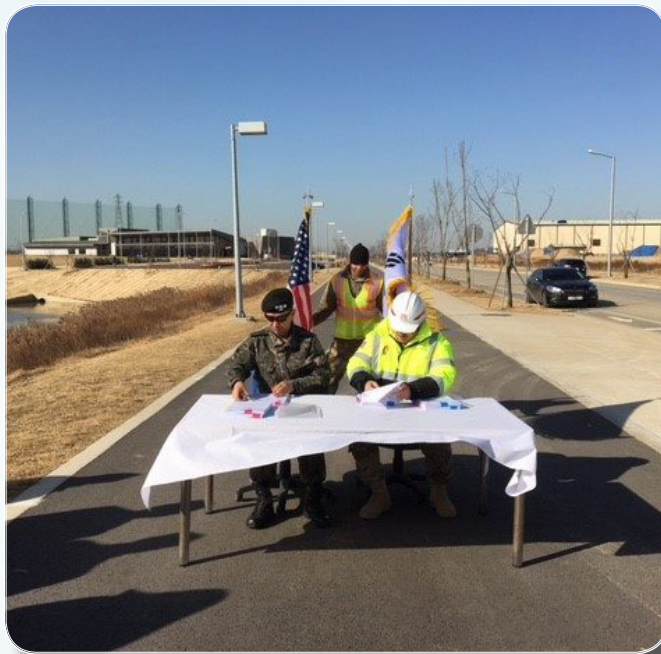
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Far East District project managers briefed Congressman Mike Coffman (left) and Congressman Anthony Brown (right) on the current ongoing construction projects at U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys Nov. 27. (FED file photo)



Col. Teresa Schlosser (front row, 6th from left), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District commander, meets with members of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Korea Post and Far East District employees, during a construction site tour held at Osan Air Base, Nov. 29. (FED file photo)



Col. Jeong Se-ok (left), Chief, Program Management Team, MURO, and Col. Garrett Cottrell (right), Deputy Military Chief, United States Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, sign the 300m Range and Control Tower Acceptance Release Letter, during a ceremony Nov. 30. (Photo by Son Seukhwan)



Col. Jeong Se-ok (left), Chief, Program Management Team, MURO, and Col. Garrett Cottrell (right), Deputy Military Chief, United States Army Corps of Engineers Far East District, sign the PARCEL 2B (INFRA040 and INFRA050) Acceptance Release Letter, during a ceremony Nov. 30. (Photo by Son Seukhwan)



Ed Minnerly, Chief of Logistics for the Far East District from 2004 to 2017 said goodbye to his FED family at a farewell luncheon, Nov. 28 in Seoul. Minnerly is headed to Fort Detrick, MD for his new assignment. Farewell and thanks for your 13 years of service to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Far East District! (Photos by Yo Kyong-il)



The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Far East District family celebrated thanksgiving together during a lunchtime potluck held at the district's compound, Nov. 22. (Photos by Antwaun J. Parrish)



Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observance

By Valerie Bradley

FED Equal Employment Opportunities

On Monday January 15, 2018, we observe and celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He was a leader who not only dreamed of a color-blind society, but led a movement that achieved great national reforms. He believed in nonviolent activism and taught a movement by his example.

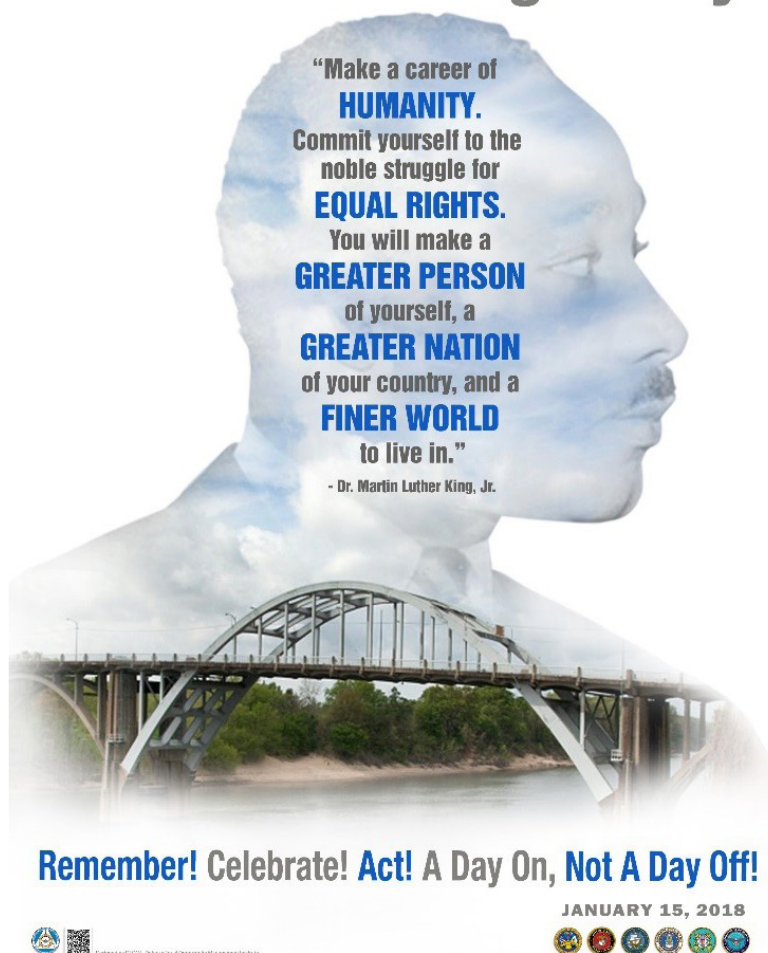
The legislation signed by President Ronald Reagan; Public Law 98-144 designated the third Monday in January as an annual federal holiday in King's honor, and the first official celebration took place on 20 January 1986. The recurring theme of the federal holiday "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On. Not A Day Off," calls on us to engage in public service and promote nonviolent social change.

Poster Description: The Department of Defense 2018 Martin Luther King Day poster depicts the holiday title, "Martin Luther King Jr. Day" centered at the top of the poster. Centered beneath the title is a silhouette of Dr. King facing to the right. Superimposed over Dr. King's silhouette is a blue sky with white clouds and an excerpt of one of his speeches. Key words from the speech are capitalized and highlighted in dark blue. The speech reads, "Make a career of HUMANITY. Commit yourself to the noble struggle for EQUAL RIGHTS. You will make a GREATER PERSON of yourself, a GREATER NATION of your country, and a FINER WORLD to live in."

Centered beneath Dr. King's silhouette is the Edmund Pettus bridge over the Alabama River at Selma, Alabama, which became an icon of the civil rights movement. Centered beneath the bridge is the holiday theme with alternating blue and dark gray typeset: "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On, Not A Day Off!"

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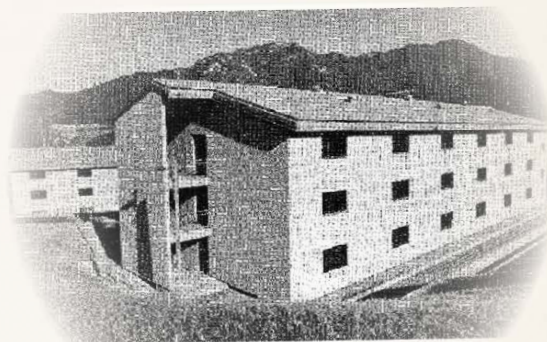
Martin Luther King Jr. Day



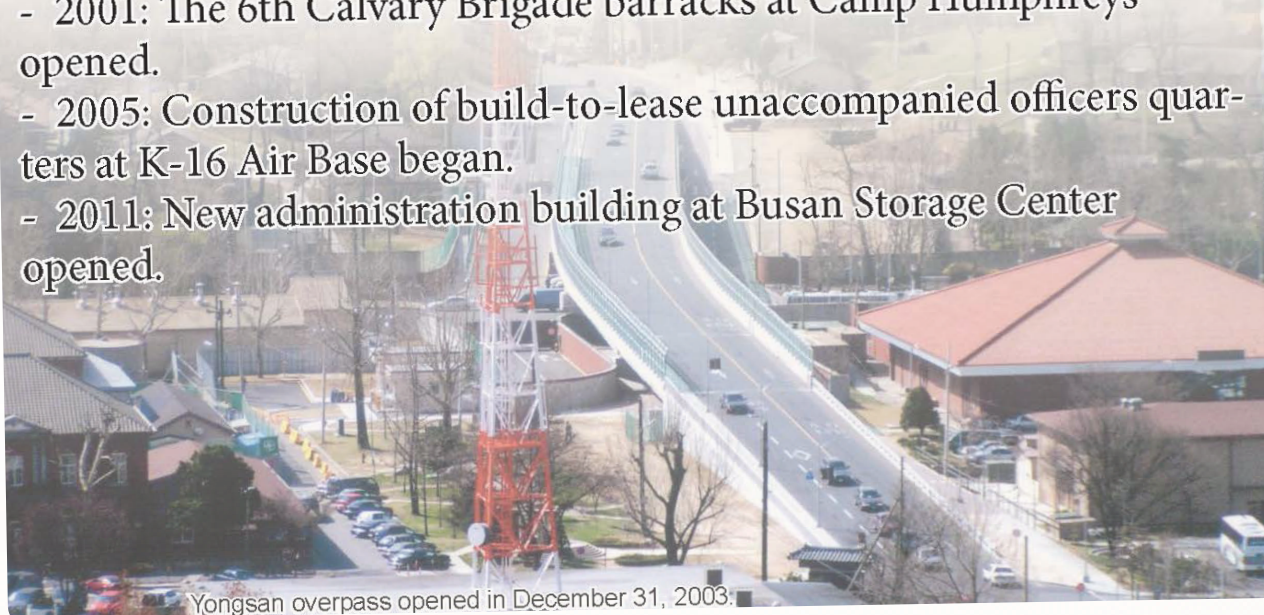
Designed by DEOMI - Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute. At the bottom right corner is the holiday date, January 15, 2018, and beneath the date are in horizontal order the Service seals for the Army, Marines, Navy, USAF, Coast Guard, and Department of Defense.

This month in FED History

- **December** 1983: New recreation center/library at Camp Walker opened.
- 1983: Kunsan Air Base dormitory opened.
- 1986: Motor Pool Facility and Trailer Transfer Point at Camp Humphreys opened.
- 1988: The 25th Transportation Center opened in Yongsan.
- 1987: The 2nd Infantry Division unaccompanied enlisted personnel housing completed at Camp Casey.
- 1987: Bachelor enlisted quarters completed at Camp Humphreys.
- 1998: Construction of Army Community Services building in Yongsan began.
- 2000: Construction of health clinic at Camp Walker began.
- 2001: The 6th Calvary Brigade barracks at Camp Humphreys opened.
- 2005: Construction of build-to-lease unaccompanied officers quarters at K-16 Air Base began.
- 2011: New administration building at Busan Storage Center opened.



The 2nd Infantry Division unaccompanied enlisted personnel housing completed at Camp Casey, 1987.



Yongsan overpass opened in December 31, 2003.

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On average, one pedestrian dies in a crash-related accident every two hours. Use crosswalks and look both ways before crossing and never walk on train tracks. Most pedestrian accidents occur at night, so see and be seen.

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Throughout our professional and personal lives, events happen all around us. We are often able to shape the outcome of those events, but many times we're not. Navigating life's challenges is all about decision-making.

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