



The Redwood Bulletin

Hello from Afghanistan and Happy New Year! It seems like only a few days ago that we left the States and started a long year away from our families. Take some time to read about life over here and what we are doing. We keep it light over here, we miss you all a lot.

What do we do here? We teach, coach, and mentor Afghan police. It's a process of first building relationships with the Afghans and then influencing how they protect and serve the population.

How are living conditions? Pretty awesome! We have a gym, just got internet wiring in our rooms (actual internet to come within the next month or so) hot showers, Indian food, and connex living. We cannot complain compared to some other teams!



Who is on the team? Active Duty and Active Guard, Navy, and DoD Civilians.

Team Redwood

Bottom Row: ISG Bailey, MAJ Brown
2nd Row-Left to Right: SSG Lund, SPC Lichtenauer, Brandon, 1LT Toher, SFC Ward, SPC McBride, CPT Overmyer, CPT Doezal, SFC Davidson, SFC Godman
Trucks: CPT Cowan, CPT Zapotocky, SFC Haynes
Not Pictured: Team Medic HM3 Spelich, Scott



Redwood Barbeques—American Style

On the camp, we share our living space with Italian allies and they invited us over for wood-fired pizza a few weeks ago. They bake their own pizza in a brick oven outside. Not to be outdone, we decided to host our own barbeque with hamburgers, hotdogs and hot-wings! Brandon, SFC Haynes, SFC Davidson, and ISG went to work, created a special sauce with secret ingredients. Hands down, we showed the



Italians who has the better food. Homestyle cookin' courtesy of the USA!!



Our Neighbors—From Tatoueen?



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Supporting Us

Thank you for the many packages we've received so far. We have dedicated a full room to sort and then eat all the great snacks that you all have sent us, Thank You!! How can you support us in the future? The best support we receive is through letters, packages, and E-mails. We may not always be able to respond but it's a great encouragement to read something from the families.

Closing Comments from MAJ Brown

This is my seventh time away from home since being in the military and one thing I've how quickly and how often we think of YOU, our loved ones, thousands of miles away at home. We are doing everything possible to keep all of us safe, fine tuning everything we do, so we all come back home quickly, sound and whole. We are a newly formed team and haven't worked together before this, but after working with everyone here this past month I have the highest degree of confidence in the abilities of every single member of this team. Please rest assured we have a "Super Bowl" caliber team here in Adraskan, and your loved one is working with the "best of the best". Please feel free to email me or write with any questions or concerns.

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God Bless You this New Year!

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