

'Keeping Tabs'

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Phoenix Firemen Respond to Propane Explosion

POLICHARKI AFGHAN NATIONAL ARMY BASE, AFGHANISTAN – Members of the Camp Phoenix volunteer fire department moved off base over the weekend to the site of a devastating 11 June propane explosion. The accident occurred when a propane tank inside the walls of an Afghan prison went off, claiming an American contractor and an Afghan interpreter. The Camp Phoenix Firemen moved by armed convoy to the Policharki Prison, located inside an Afghan National Army Base on Friday 13 June to inspect the site and ensure that the fire was completely out. The wreckage of a truck was sprayed down and foam was applied to prevent the fire from re-igniting and the team used a thermal imager to ensure that there were no hot spots that could trigger a new conflagration.



Members of the Camp Phoenix Volunteer Fire Department deployed from their base to the Policharki Afghan National Army Base with their trucks and equipment to ensure that the site of a recent propane explosion would not reignite. Foam and a thermal imager were used to render the site safe for clean up and recovery.

USO Comedians bring laughs to Camp Phoenix

CAMP PHOENIX, KABUL – Camp Phoenix’s dining facility was packed on Friday night 13 June to see the first USO show for Combined Joint Task Force Phoenix VII. Steve Byrne’s Happy Hour Comedy Tour included Bryan Callen, Dov Davidoff and Sam Tripoli in addition to the star of cable TV’s Comedy Central Steve Byrne. The troops were treated to half hour performances by each comic culminating in a dual act by Steve and Sam. At the conclusion of the show, the entertainers remained for autographs and photos. The performers remained overnight where the next morning they joined with some troops for a work out in “ultimate frisbee-throwing” at the base track before breakfast and then got to visit the electronic skills trainer -- a marksmanship training simulator where they tested their ability to hit computer generated targets. After lunch, the visitors were presented with certificates of appreciation and each received an American Flag that had been flown on the Camp Phoenix pole in Patriot Square as a memento.



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