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Serving the military and civilian community of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center



This aerial shot of the Presidio of Monterey shows some of the Defense Language Institute's facilities. The arrow (right of center) indicates the outdoor stage. Language day events take place in this area. See back cover for map.



#### DEFENSE LANGUAGE INSTITUTE FOREIGN LANGUAGE CENTER PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA 93944-5006

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

April 29, 1994

Office of the Commandant

Dear Guests:

Welcome to Language Day, the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center's (DLIFLC's) annual open house. This year our theme is "The 53rd year of Foreign Language Teaching." I am pleased you have taken time to visit us here at DLIFLC, a national resource and the largest foreign language institute in the world.

Our faculty and staff make up an international family. We teach more than 22 languages and dialects, and most of our instructors are native speakers of the languages they teach. Our faculty has more than 10,000 years of language instruction experience representing many cultures. On any given day we teach more than 2,000 hours of classroom language instruction to nearly 2,500 students. In terms of instructional hours, we teach 10 percent of all post-secondary school classroom hours in foreign language instruction in the United States. Eighty-five percent of all foreign language training for the U.S. government happens here.

DLIFLC is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. Upon successful completion of initial language studies, and based on recommendations of the American Council of Education, our students may earn up to 36 semester hours of college credit, depending on their scores on the Defense Language Proficiency Test and the language they study.

Today we have a full program of entertainment, cultural displays, participatory foreign language classes and classroom demonstrations for your information and enjoyment. We also have high technology demonstrations in foreign language learning for the teachers. So have fun. Enjoy your visit with our family. If anything prompts a question, be sure to ask.

Sincerely,

Colonel, United States Army Commandant



#### Language Day Classroom Activities Building 620, Nisei Hall (3rd Floor). Tickets are available 15 minutes prior to each demonstration at the side entrances. I FOURTH SECTION FIDET SECTION

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Sign Language	
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#### SECOND SESSION 10:40 - 11:10 a.m.

Korean
Vietnamese
Chinese
Spanish
Italian
Portuguese
German
Hebrew
Russian
Czech
Persian-Farsi
Mod. Std. Arabic
Sign Language

#### THIRD SESSION

11:20 - 11:50	a.m.
RM 307	Korean
RM 306	Japanese
RM 305	Chinese
RM 303/304	Spanish
RM 301/302	Italian
RM 313/314	Portuguese
RM 336/339	German
RM 330	Hebrew
RM 327/328	Russian
RM 320	Czech
RM 326	Persian-Farsi
RM 324/325	Mod. Std. Arabic
Auditorium	Sign Language

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RM 307	Korean
RM 306	Japanese
RM 305	Chinese
RM 303/304	Spanish
RM 301-302	Italian
RM 313/314	Portuguese
RM 336/339	German
RM 330	Hebrew
RM 327/328	Russian
RM 320	Czech
RM 326	Persian-Farsi
RM 324/325	Mod. Std. Arabic

#### FIFTH SESSION 12:40 - 13:10 p.m.

Korean
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Russian
Czech
Persian-Farsi
Mod. Std. Arabic

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RM 306	Thai
RM 305	Chinese
RM 303/304	Spanish
RM 301-302	Italian
RM 313/314	Portuguese
RM 336/339	German
RM 330	Hebrew
RM 327/328	Russian
RM 320	Czech
RM 326	Persian-Farsi
RM 324/325	Mod. Std. Arabic

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\*(ALL DISPLAYS ARE ON

THE THIRD FLOOR)

Chinese

Cultural Displays

#### Entertainment

(on the outdoor stage) 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Air Force Choir (National Anthem) Commandant (Welcome Address) Air Force Choir Middle East Dance Thai Dance French Dance Japanese Dance Middle East II Dance Chinese Song Russian Dance Spanish Song Middle East III Dance Korean Song Navy Drill Team Estampa de las Americas Dance Czech Song Middle East IV Dance Vietnamese Song Polish Song Filipino Dance Middle East V Dance Brazilian Dance Troupe \*Mary Jane Stephens

will play flute and piano between acts

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In celebration of Language Day, we invite you to expand your awareness by entering the world of Sign Language. Bldg 620, 3rd floor auditorium





Eastern European 2 students line up at Central Issue to receive awesome stacks of books, recorders and other study aids to see them through their foreign language courses.

# DLI tops in language training

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DLI has language-teaching programs, faculties and facilities which are models for other schools throughout the world. Modern classrooms offer extensive language laboratory facilities and the latest audiovisual training aids. The Institute is divided into seven language schools: Asian 1, Asian 2, Middle Eastern 1, Middle Eastern 2, East European 1, East European 2, and West European and Latin American.

Since 1941 more than 155,000 students, from recruits to senior officers, have graduated from the Institute. Each of the military services and several other government agencies select individuals for resident foreign language training in preparation for their career fields and for specific duty assignments. The Institute graduates from 2,600 to 3,000 annually. Classes begin and end at various times during the year. The Institute emphasizes three functional language skills: listening, speaking and reading. Each program deals with meaningful, real-world communication rather than rotememorization. Students must learn to create with the language. Each student must pass a Defense Language Proficiency Test to earn a linguist certificate.

Currently 24 languages and dialects are taught at the Institute. The programs with the largest number of students each years are Arabic, Russian, Spanish and Korean. Basic courses last from 25 to 63 weeks.

The language program incorporates instruction in the history, culture and current events of the target language countries. Students attend class seven hours each day and must fulfill tailored homework assignments each evening in addition to physical fitness and other military training.

The Institute's program provides a range of college credits. Students may receive "credit by exam" from the American Council on Education (ACE)-sponsored program for their Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) performance. DLI is accredited by the Accrediting Commission of Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC/ WASC).

## Students sample foreign cullinus

Russian language students learn about terrain in their target language by working with a sand map.

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DLI provides foreign language students with state-of-the-art learning, such as computer-assisted instruction. These students use computers to help with their Arabic language lessons.

Photos by PH2 Cindy A. Harris

# Students sample foreign cultures

DLI's Chinese dragon, one of the largest in the Western United States, makes an appearance every Language Day. The annual event features various culture displays and activities, ethnic foods and entertainment. More than 5,000 high school and college students interested in foreign language training attend the festivities. Throughout the year, DLI students participate in choirs and dance groups in their free time, performing in their respective languages. Many students say that such participation makes their classroom language studies come alive for them. DLI student choirs frequently perform for the public.

# Teachers make the difference

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The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center is one of the largest language-training facilities in the world, and we believe it is the best. We base our pride on half a century of outstanding support to the armed forces of our nation.

The results at DLIFLC are impressive. The languages taught here give the military services the ability to speak and to understand the languages of more than half the world's population.

One reason for this is that DLI's instructional staff, primarily civilian, are native speakers of the languages they teach. Many are multilingual, and many have fascinating backgrounds. Among them are descendants of royalty, prominent musicians, artists, educators and former government officials from around the world. Our staff and faculty truly represent the worldwide community.

So, whether studying in the classroom or participating in extra-curricular activities, our students receive the best foreign language training available anywhere.

Upon graduation, they join thousands of military linguists serving the cause of freedom the world over. The excellent foreign language skills they take with them reflect on the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center as a unique and vital national resource.



SSG Michael W. Cassidy talks with a Korean immigrant. He uses his Korean language skills to help her complete an application for aid.

## **Task Force Rosetta**

#### By SPC George A. Chidi, Jr.

Photos by SSgt. Richard Tatum

An earthquake measuring 6.6 on the Richter Scale shook the Los Angeles area at 4:30 a.m., Jan. 17. The problems it caused included more than property damage and traumatized citizens.

Los Angeles is a cultural mosaic where English is not necessarily the first language spoken. The earthquake struck without regard to nationality or culture. Quake victims who did not speak English could not communicate their needs to those who could help them. To help solve this problem, the 6th Army requested, Jan. 20, that the Defense Language Institute prepare to send linguists to the ravaged area for assistance in disaster relief. On Saturday morning, the Army Training and Doctrine Command gave DLI the go-ahead to send translators to Los Angeles. Four hours later, 54 Russian, Korean and Spanish linguists and three administrators took off in a Coast Guard C-130 for southern California.

"We left Monterey with a laptop computer, some cellular phones and a change of [civilian] clothes," said Army Sgt. 1st Class Antonio Hernandez, first sergeant for the relief mission named *Task Force Rosetta*.

"This was the first time DLI deployed troops in a cohesive unit on a support mission, and it was done with less than 48 hours notice," said Hernandez. DLI linguists from the Army and Air Force supported seven of the 20 disaster areas along with various federal, state and local agencies. The linguists interpreted, dispensed survival needs and helped medical units.

"As task force commander," said Army CPT John T. Armeau, "I saw linguists receiving superb training there, because there is



no better training than having to converse solely in the foreign language." The need was particularly great for Spanish, Korean and Russian linguists. "There is a large Russian community near Hollywood, and once people found out there were linguists at nearby relief centers, non-English-speaking Russians came to seek aid," said Armeau.

Army SPC Darrell Doss, a Russian linguist, translated for paramedics when an elderly Russian woman collapsed with chest pains. "There were a lot of heartwarming stories where DLI soldiers actually saved lives. We were helping fellow Americans. Everyone felt great!" Armeau said.

The fact that the linguists could involve themselves in a humanitarian mission — and use the languages they'd worked so hard to learn — appealed to all of them. Army Sgt. 1st Class Jackie J. Divine, a Russian linguist on the mission, said, "Everyone chosen to go there would have volunteered." Hernandez added, "Everybody was excited. It was a live mission."

The earthquake generated fear and confusion enough without the added language barriers. Many residents of Northridge considered themselves fortunate that DLI could provide a helping hand. Equally, the linguists liked being able to help. Los Angeles got the opportunity to experience the human and the benevolent side of military service members.

Task Force Rosetta was named after a River. The stone was inscribed in Egyp- Europeans to deciphor hieroglyphs and slab of stone found in 1799 near Alexan- tian hieroglyphics and demotic (simplified ancien Greek for the first time. The stone dria on the Rosetta Branch of the Nile form) and in Greek. The stone helped West also appears on the DLI crest.

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## Welcome to DLI'S Language Day '94 -- 53rd Year of Foreign Language Teaching LANGUAGE DAY MAP



- 1. Bus Drop-Off
- 2. Information Booth
- 3. Classroom Demonstrations (Bldg, 620)
- 4. Outdoor Stage
- 5. Cultural Displays (Bldgs. 619, 621, 623)
- 6. Vendor Booths and Eating Area
- 7. Bus Parking
- 8. Vendor Parking
- 9. Visitor Parking
- 10. Rifle Range Road (one-way traffic from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

11. Bus Stop for the Monterey-Salinas bus (from 7 a.m. to 4:30 pm.)



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