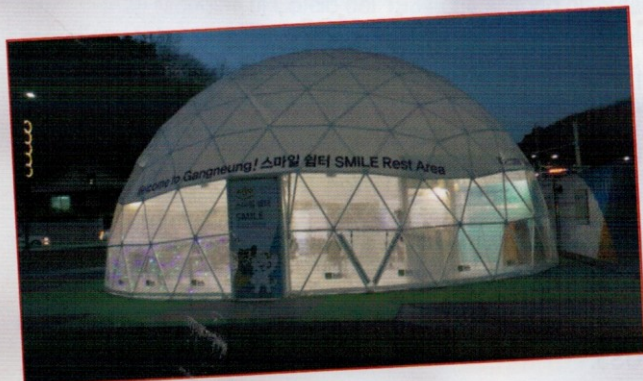


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Stationeries of the city administration of Gangneung

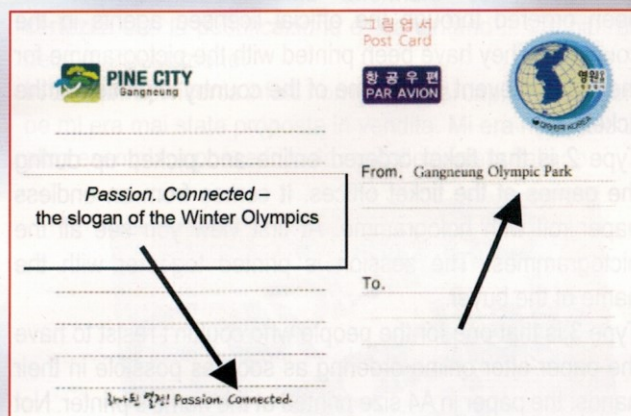
Apart from visiting the sport competitions also the city at the East Sea had to be discovered in the limited time. Walking around and visiting different locations which attracted Olympic tourists I made even a philatelic discovery. Near to the railway station I saw a pavillion named „Smile Rest Area“. and because some relaxing did just suit I went in.



The well-decorated postbox in front of the pavillion surprised me, and minutes later I learned why it was erected here. The city offered there - except of refreshing superb coffee of Gangneung (and tea) - also free postcards, advertising the Olympics and the Pine City Gangneung.



Still more surprising: These cards have been postal stationeries, ready to be sent off. The ladies inside proposed to put it into the red postbox, of course.



Not every motif at the picture side was an Olympic one, but at the address side there are the Olympic connections - see the Olympic slogan and the sender's address "From: Gangneung Olympic Park".

The cards have been issued for domestic and for international mail. The inscriptions are that's why either in Korean and/or in English language.

They have been given in single pieces only. From time to time there appeared new motives in the presentation boxes. That's why and because my stay was limited up to Febr. 15th, I can't give a complete overview.