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Celebrating our 233rd Army birthday



Carol Rosenberg reads the Army Birthday book to children at the CDC Monday in celebration of the 233rd Army birthday. Courtesy photo.

Saturday, June 14, commemorates the 233rd birthday of the United States Army. America's Army is "the Strength of the Nation," and our Soldiers are the centerpiece of that Army—the foremost symbol of our national resolve. Our flag, which will celebrate its 231st anniversary the same day, is the hallmark of an invincible American spirit. It embodies the sacrifice of more than two-and-a-quarter centuries dedicated to securing the blessings of liberty for all.

In 1775, the Second Continental Congress recognized the need for a regular military force to protect our fledgling Nation from encroachment by foreign governments and marauders. By 1776, the Continental Army's mission became one of overall national survival. Today, we are engaged in a struggle that is no less critical to our collective security. The Army of our Republic won some of its earliest victories in historic battles at Trenton, Saratoga, Cowpens, and Yorktown. In the modern era, our Army has distinguished itself here in Europe during World War II, Korea, Southeast and Southwest Asia, and the

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Sky Soldiers keep Bayonet out of the Black



Soldiers from Alpha Company, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion load ammunition onto a Chinook Helicopter on Forward Operating Base Fenty in Nangarhar Province Afghanistan. They are responsible for supplying an area the size of Maryland with ammunition. Courtesy photo

By Staff Sgt. Brandon Aird
173rd ABCT Public Affairs

NANGARHAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan – Six Soldiers work around the clock at the ammunition point on Forward Operating Base Fenty in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, to supply Task Force Bayonet with ammunition.

The Soldiers from Alpha Company, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, work day and night to move ammunition to International Security Assistance Forces working in Nuristan, Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar Provinces.

Soldiers from 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne), 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment (Airborne), 4th Battalion, 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment, and the 173rd Special Troops Battalion, all rely on these six Soldiers for their ammunition.

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**Celebrations for the 233 Army Birthday continue on Friday, June 13 at JFK Multiplex!
For more information call CYS at DSN:469-1770.**

Fuel card rollout going smoother than feared

HEIDELBERG, Germany – With the hi-tech automated fuel system cast as a likely culprit, the new automated Germany fuel ration card program was expected to create anxiety for motorists when it rolled out May 27. And while there were isolated challenges, whodathunk the culprit would be low-tech?

Installation Management Command-Europe's top fuel program official said initial feedback shows that the automation system is working as designed, but the human factor resulted in some minor headaches.

"The automation system and card are working great," said Dave Mattingly, Germany Fuel Ration Card Development program lead for IMCOM-Europe. "And although we're very pleased with how the system is behaving, we recognize the continued need to train and educate people to ensure we avoid inconveniences."

The inconveniences experienced during the early days of the rollout are in large part attributable to misinformation, a lack of information or misinterpretation of information.

For example, Mattingly said he heard of a situation where an Esso attendant confused the Germany-wide May 27 rollout date with the local community's activation date. A motorist fueled up at a filling station in Heidelberg then went to pay using the fuel card. The attendant refused the card, erroneously believing the card couldn't be used until the Heidelberg community activation date set for November. The motorist paid cash for the fuel, then contacted AAFES to obtain a refund.

"Our goal is to provide the best service possible. In this situation the person had the money to pay and knew to contact



AAFES to resolve the issue, but we can't take for granted that everyone will. So, we are striving to ensure we fix this," said Ruth Wagner, AAFES-Europe project manager. "We are committed to ensuring Esso and AAFES attendants are trained and equipped to avoid these types of inconveniences."

The mix up was a mixed blessing of sorts, said Wagner, who explained that officials can work to solve issues now while only a small percentage of people have fuel cards. While the customer was unfortunately inconvenienced, the problems should be corrected prior to the robust card activation efforts begin in earnest.

"To ensure there are no unpleasant surprises, drivers may check with the cashier to ensure that the station accepts the card before pumping," said Lt. Col. David Konop, AAFES Europe public affairs officer.

"Esso has reassured us that they have spoken with each of the stations in Heidelberg and sent a reminder to all of their stations in Germany about honoring the new card system," added Konop.

A rolling activation through 16 locations in Germany will begin with Ansbach in July and conclude at Ramstein in December.

Currently, only people who registered or renewed registration for their vehicles after May 22 have received the fuel cards. This will continue to take place one by one with each first-time or renewed registration. All others throughout Germany who own vehicles that are already registered and will not have registrations that renew before the dates for their community are scheduled to receive fuel cards in the mail. These individuals will activate those cards during the scheduled rolling activation dates for their community. AAFES will position extra personnel and card activating equipment in each community during the roll-out to help keep the activation process moving as quickly as possible.

Mattingly said the IMCOM-Europe fuel card website has been updated to feature all of the video training modules and a new "FAQ 2" link to the most common and current questions posed during Mattingly's visits to numerous European garrisons to brief audiences about the fuel card.

Topics range from why spouses in the Netherlands can't obtain a fuel card (sponsors must do that) to how someone can get fuel for rental vehicles.

"While AAFES and Esso are working to re-educate service providers, we at IMCOM-Europe are working to keep the customers informed," said Mattingly. "We are committed to ensuring the customer gets the best possible service. There is a wide variety of information available on the website that addresses concerns customers may have."

One of the most popular questions Mattingly said he hears is: "What happens to my money when the monthly fuel ration

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Army birthday

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Balkans. Our Warriors today work tirelessly as "Soldier-Statesmen" to promote stability and freedom leading to a brighter future for people worldwide.

Our Soldiers add to the Army's proud heritage each day by their gallantry and professionalism. But we must not forget that our Army Families also bear a huge burden in this era of persistent conflict. Never before have we asked more of our Families, civilians, and communities than now. They have responded to these challenges with resilience. Our Army remains the

preeminent land force in the world because of them. Our Soldiers, civilians, Families, and communities are truly "Army Strong" and will keep our Army "the Strength of the Nation" for years to come.

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Gary D. Speer



Soldiers from Alpha Company, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, try to start a generator at the ammunition point on Forward Operating Base Fenty in Nangarhar Province Afghanistan. The generator was used to run a water pump after the ammunition point was flooded. (Courtesy photo)

Sky Soldiers

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The Soldiers also help supply elements from the U.S. Army Special Forces, other government agencies, Army National Guard, Marines and Air Force.

Supply and demand in the area is extremely high, according to Staff Sgt. Dana Green, a Soldier in Alpha Company. In one day, more than 200 tons of ammunition were recently pushed to numerous forward operating bases.

"Units in our AO (area of operation) tend to go through ammunition really fast," said Spc. Matthew Harvey, a Soldier in Alpha Company. "Just one fire fight can leave the guys black (short) on ammunition."

Artillery, rockets, mortars, small arms and machine gun ammunition are accounted for and delivered by Alpha Company. Alpha Company conducts sling loads, hot loads (loading ammunition onto a helicopter while the blades are spinning), and convoys to help get the ammunition across an area the size of Maryland.

"We've had our forklifts break on us, but that didn't stop us from completing the mission," said Green, "No matter what, you're going to get the ammunition. Even if we hand load it onto the helicopters."

The small team of Alpha Company Soldiers worked long hours and in extreme conditions to keep the ammunition flowing. In September the entire ammunition point was flooded. Heavy ammunition crates were hidden under brown murky water.

"We had to get a water pump to get all the water out," said Chief Warrant Officer David Fabuman, Alpha Company, 173rd BSB.

Even with the long hours and extreme conditions, the Alpha Company Soldiers stay positive about the mission.

"We do a lot of work, but this is a critical part," said Green. "The units we're supporting really appreciate what we're doing for them."

"I've gotten coins, certificates, even a buck knife from guys who are happy to be getting this ammo," said Harvey, who's from Littleton, Colo.

Alpha Company has been in Afghanistan for 14 months and since September has handled more than 23 million dollars worth of ammunition.

In the next few months Alpha Company will hand over the ammunition point to Soldiers in the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.

CYS Summer Camps begin June 16!

The SKIES program, SAS and Middle School Teen Program have a variety of camp programs for you. Call DSN:469-8660 or CIV:0951-300-8660.

Community Announcements

Mandatory training for supervisors of civilian employees

All Department of the Army civilian employees (AF and NAF) must complete a minimum of 3 hours of substance abuse and other prevention education annually. A training course for supervisors of civilian employees will be held at the Education Center, Building 7047, in Room 303 on 24 July. The itinerary for this year's training program includes: substance abuse prevention and drugs of abuse update, suicide prevention, and stress/anger management. For registration or information, please contact the EAPC at 469-7038 or Darlene.Copeland@eur.army.mil.

ACAP Department of Labor (DOL) Transition Assistance Workshop

The Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP) is offering a 2.5-day DOL job assistance workshop for separating and retiring soldiers on August 12-14 at Preston Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (final day ends at 12:30). All participants must complete pre-separation counseling prior to enrolling in this course. Please call your Bamberg ACAP Office for more information at DSN: 469-8925.

V.A. Benefits Briefing

Attend the next ACAP V.A. Benefits Briefing on Thurs. June 19 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Reel Time Movie Theater. A representative from the Department of Veterans Affairs will provide an overview of V.A. programs and services and will answer questions as well. Open to the entire community. Please call your Bamberg ACAP Office for more information at DSN: 469-8925.

Veterans Administration Disability Transition Assistance Program

V.A. Disability Transition Assistance Program (DTAP) will hold a disability transition briefing on June 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Preston Hall. A representative from the Department of Veterans Affairs will discuss the Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Program. This is an opportunity for transitioning soldiers who are considering filing a disability claim with the V.A. to find out about program procedures. For more information or to register call ACAP at DSN:469-8925 or CIV:0951-300-8925 or register online at <https://www.acapexpress.army.mil>.

Childcare provider certification

People living in base housing, or in leased property, and caring for other people's child or children for more than 10 hours per week must be certified by CYS. Uncertified childcare providers need to sign up for training by Mon. June 30 in order to take advantage of a one-time amnesty by the Army. For more information, contact CYS at DSN:469-8035 CIV:0951-300-8035.

Color Casing Ceremony

16th Sustainment Brigade invites the Bamberg Community to a color casing ceremony on Thu. June 26 at 11 a.m. at Pendleton Field.

Elementary School Enrollment

If you haven't enrolled your child for 2008-09 school year, please do so as soon as possible. Call CIV:0951-300-7616 for more information. Registration hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

ACS "Real Life Solutions For Successful Army Living"

- **Homecoming and Reunion**
Tue., June 17 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
 - **FRG Leader II Training**
Wed., June 18 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
 - **Battlemind for Spouses**
Mon., June 23 from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- Location for all training is the ACS FAP Classroom, building 7487. Limited childcare for children registered with CYS. To register, or for more information contact Al Bonilla at ACS at DSN:469-7777.

Federal Job Application Seminar

Interested in applying for a job with the Federal Government? The Federal Government requires a specific application which is a difference from what most civilian employers want. ACAP will hold a seminar to teach you how to apply on July 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. You should have already completed the TAP Workshop prior to this seminar. For more information or to register, call ACAP at 469-8925 or register at <https://www.acapexpress.army.mil>.

Job Opportunities

AAFES accepting applications

Bamberg AAFES locations are accepting applications for entry level retail and food service positions. Join the team, log on to

www.aafes.com today and be part of our new workforce of tomorrow!

Community Bank hiring tellers

Community Bank, operated by Bank of America, is hiring bank tellers. Bank of America is an employment opportunity employer. For more information, contact direct recruitment at the banking center at CIV: 0951/37061.

Closures / Changes

Tax Center closure

The Bamberg Tax Center will close on June 19 at 1 p.m. and reopen June 23 at 9 a.m. Sorry for any inconvenience that this closure may cause you.

Veterinary facility's new hours

Bamberg Veterinary Treatment Facility's new hours of operation are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Thur. - 1 to 3:30 p.m. By appointment only, no walk-in appointments available. Closed for surgery on Tue. and training Thur. mornings. The clinic is closed on the last weekday of the month for inventory, as well as all American and training holidays. Hours are subject to change due to military and training events. Over-the-counter products and prescriptions may be purchased during regular hours of operation. Due to the high demand for appointments, please notify the clinic of cancellations 24 hours in advance. In case of emergency, please contact any off-post veterinarian. A list of off-post veterinarians is available at the clinic. For more information or to schedule an appointment please call CIV:0951-300-7972 during operating hours.

Bamberg Health Clinic closures

The clinic will be closed on Thur. June 12 and 26 from 12 to 4:30 p.m. for mandatory training and Fri. June 13 for the training holiday (Pharmacy will be closed, but the clinic will honor all previously scheduled appointments). The clinic will also be closed on Mon. June 16 for training holiday (all previously scheduled appointments will be honored).

Bamberg Clinic Pharmacy closure

The Bamberg Health Clinic pharmacy will be closed Fri. June 13 for training.

Celebrations for the 233 Army Birthday continue on Friday, June 13 at JFK Multiplex!

For more information call CYS at DSN:469-1770.

USAREUR Finance offices closed

Finance offices throughout USAREUR will be closed Tue. July 15 to attend the inactivation ceremony for the Schwetzingen, Germany command.

Weekly Reminders

Health Clinic Limited Services

Family members will be limited to same-day and well-baby appointments beginning on Aug. 1. The Health Clinic respectfully asks that family members, civilians and retirees get their medication refills, well woman exams and routine appointments taken care of no later than July 15. Please ensure that you schedule an appointment in plenty of time. For more information, contact the Health Clinic at DSN:469-1750 or CIV:0951-300-1750.

AAFES product shuttle service

A reminder to all Bamberg AAFES customers. Please inquire about our free shuttle service. If we don't have the item you want in Bamberg, we'll get it for you from another BX/PX, Bookmark or Power Zone. AAFES profits go back into the Bamberg community through the Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs. Bamberg money stays in Bamberg, when you transfer items from another BX/PX using the shuttle service! Contact AAFES customer service for more information DSN:469-8574.

Bring two ID's to enter gate 2

The USAG Bamberg Force Protection Office reminds all ID card holders looking to enter through gate 2 (Zollnerstrasse) to present a second form of photo identification to gain entry. Guest sign-ins and those with only one form of identification will be directed to gate 3 (main gate). Gate 2 is open for all incoming and outgoing pedestrian traffic from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon. through Fri., gate 2 is being utilized during gate 1 (Weissenburgstrasse) construction which will be complete at the end of June.

Kids & Teens

CYS Summer Camps

Summer camps will begin June 16 and will run through Aug. 23. CYS is catering programs to approx. 1,800 children at USAG Bamberg. The following camps will be offered.

- SKIES Unlimited Golf Camps

- School Age Services Summer Camps
- Middle School Teen Program and Sports and Fitness Summer Camps

For more information, call CYS Central Registration at DSN:469-8660 or CIV:0951-300-8660.

MWR Library Programs

The following list is the MWR programs for June. For more information, call CIV: (0951) 300 1740 or come by Bldg. 7047.

Gamers Challenge

- Sun. June 15, 6 p.m.
"Jumper" (X-Box 360)
- Sun. June 22, 6 p.m.
"Super Smash Brothers" (Wii)

Gaming Club

Tue. June 17, 3:30 p.m.
XBox 360, Wii, Playstation 3, various board games. Come by and meet new friends.

Celebrate Summer

Sat. 21 June, 7 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Enjoy a long library night, with Wii, challenge, Ps3, X-Box, prizes, food, beverages, and free internet!

Mutual Funds 101

Wed. June 18, 5 p.m.

Summer Reading Program 2008

24 June - 29 July
Opening Ceremony
24 June, 3 p.m.

Win Prizes with Kit Kittredge

Calling all American Girls! Visit your post MWR library during May and June and learn how you can win a great "Kit Kittredge An American Girls" prize as well as an all-expense paid shopping spree to an American Girl store! Program is open to children ages 6-16. You can also log on to www.ArmyMWR.com for details and a chance to win the grand prize valued over \$1,000! Watch a trailer of the movie at <http://www.americangirl.com/movie>.

Continuing Education

University of Oklahoma representative at Bamberg

The University of Oklahoma (OU) Master of Human Relations (MHR) is a people-oriented degree with application for positions in military, business, government, health and human services, and education. MHR graduates have the knowledge and skills to supervise, teach, and effectively help people. An OU representative

will be at the Bamberg Education Center June 18. For more information contact the University of Oklahoma, Katterbach Education Center at DSN:467-3325 or CIV:09802-83-3325 apansbach@ou.edu or go online to www.gouu.ou.edu

Health and Fitness

Lose weight, get ready for summer!

A Body Fit For You classes are available at the Freedom Fitness Facility.

Mon.: 8:30-9:30 am Pilates
Mon: 6-8 pm Boot Camp
Tue.: 8:30-10:30 am Boot Camp
Wed.: 8:30-9:30 am Pilates
Thur.: 8:30-10:30 am Boot Camp
Thur.: 6-8 pm Boot Camp

For more information on these classes or a personal trainer, contact Ayla at CIV: 0951-2971120 or CIV: 0171-4969539 or email her at abodyfitforyou@hotmail.com.

Combat PTSD Group

The Bamberg Behavioral Health Clinic is beginning a Combat PTSD Group offered for individuals who have experienced or witnessed combat-related traumatic events. The group deals with issues such as sleep-related problems, mood swings, coping, guilt, and relationships. Weekly meetings are held at Social Work Services, bldg. 7253 on Tue. or Thur. from 1 to 2:30 p.m. For more information contact DSN:469-7793 or CIV:0951-300-7793. You can also find information online at <http://www.bamberg.army.mil/sites/services/BehavioralHealth.htm>.

Women's Trauma Group

The Bamberg Behavioral Health Clinic is beginning a Women's Trauma Group for women who have experienced or witnessed traumatic events. The group will deal with issues such as self-esteem, sleep-related problems, coping, guilt, relationships and specific women's issues. The weekly group meets at Social Work Services, bldg. 7253 on Thur. from 10 to 11:30 a.m. For more information contact DSN:469-7793 or CIV:0951-300-7793. You can also find information online at <http://www.bamberg.army.mil/sites/services/BehavioralHealth.htm>.

Dental Clinic's limited services

Family member dental services will be limited to exams and cleanings when reintegration starts. For more information, contact the Dental Clinic at DSN:469-1720 or CIV:0951-300-1720.

CYS Summer Camps begin June 16!

The SKIES program, SAS and Middle School Teen Program have a variety of camp programs for you. Call CIV:0951-300-8660.

2008 U.S. Forces Europe Mountain Bike Series

The 2008 U.S. Forces Europe Mountain Bike Series will feature 11 races, beginning May 10 in Aviano, Italy, and concluding Sept. 27-28 with a two-day championship meet in Garmisch, Germany. One does not have to compete in all races in order to qualify for the championships. Helmet required and open to US ID Cardholders. Race schedule and sign up at USAG Bamberg Outdoor Recreation CIV:0951-300-8659, email Paul Calain at Paul.Calain@us.army.mil or visit www.mwr-europe.com.

Entertainment & Leisure

Army Birthday Celebration

June 13 (main celebration day)

11 a.m. to 12 p.m. — BBQ at the CDC, Children nap after lunch at Child Development Center

At the JFK MultiPlex:

11 a.m. — SAS comes for lunch

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. SAS has sole use of JFK for activities

12:30 p.m. Middle School Teens arrive. BBQ

1 to 3 p.m. Party activities; photography exhibit

3 to 4 p.m.—Snack with the Army Birthday Cake(at JFK MultiPlex and at Child Development Center)

4 to 5:30 p.m.— Basketball Tournament for Middle School Teens at JFK MultiPlex

For more information contact CYS at DSN:469-1770.

Brian Stace, Blue Eyes of Country

Brian Stace will perform Wed. June 25, 7 p.m., at the Stable Theater, Bldg. 7119. Stace has appeared on major network TV stations in Tennessee, Wisconsin, Texas, San Diego and Arkansas to name a few. His radio tour lasted through two months, ten states and ten thousand miles traveling on his tour bus, playing throughout the U.S. visiting hundreds of country stations promoting his single. The "Blue Eyed Bad Boy" has opened for Junior Brown, Terry Clark, Shooter Jennings and Darryl Worley and during every show the crowd eats him up and asks for more. Stace and his band have toured through Kosovo, Iraq and most recently Afghanistan, playing shows for the troops. Brian also finished shooting his music video for the single "Honey Get Your Clothes Off (Daddy's Comin' Home)" with the Soldiers in Iraq. Admission to Brian Stace's concert at Bamberg Stable Theater is free. www.brianstace.com

Desroches' Art Exhibit at the CAC

Artist Fritz R. Desroches' airbrush paintings depict Caribbean imagery of landscapes, seascape and photo realism. His art will be on display at the Community Activity Center, bldg. 7047 through June 19. Contact MWR Arts and Crafts, Brad Cline or Tom Stenson at CIV:0951-300-8659 for more information. For more information on the artist go online to www.ritzarts.com.

Guenter Grass Art Exhibit

Nobel prize winner, Günter Grass, was born in 1927 in Danzig-Langfuhr of Polish-German parents. After military service and captivity by American forces 1944-46, he worked as a farm laborer and miner and studied art in Düsseldorf and Berlin. 1956-59 he made his living as a sculptor, graphic artist and writer in

Paris, and subsequently Berlin. As a graphic artist, Grass has often been responsible for the covers and illustrations for his own works. An opening reception for Grass' graphics will be held on Fri. June 27 at 6 p.m. and will remain on display at the CAC. These works are also available for purchase. For more information call CIV:0951-300-8659.

Portrait Studio Early Bird Special

Schedule your portrait session between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. in June and receive \$30 off on your entire order. \$10 sitting fee still applies. Offer is valid through the month of June. Call to make your appointment today. For more information call CIV:0951-300-8659.

Arts and Crafts Classes

Basic Matting and Framing Class

Sat., Jun 21, 10 a.m.

Thur., Jun 26, 6 p.m.

All arts and crafts classes are \$15. Schedule your group class for up to 10 people for only \$50! Attending the woodshop safety class is a pre-requisite in order to use the wood shop, open 5 days a week: Tue, Wed, Thu, 12 to 8 p.m. - Fri, Sat, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. June Special: All top mats on any multi-matted picture, print, award, etc. is free! For more information call CIV:0951-300-8659.

 Bamberg Movie Schedule 			
AAFES Reeltime Theater is CLOSED Tue. and Wed.			
Thu	Jun 12	Superhero (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Fri	Jun 13	Sex And The City (R)	7 p.m.
Sat	Jun 14	Leatherheads (Pg-13)	4 p.m.
		Sex And The City (R)	7 p.m.
Sun	Jun 15	Penelope (Pg)	4 p.m.
		Leatherheads (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Mon	Jun 18	Sex And The City (R)(1strun)	7 p.m.
Thu	Jun 19	Penelope (Pg)	7 p.m.
Fri	Jun 20	Stop Loss (R)	7 p.m.
Sat	Jun 21	Kung Fu Panda (Pg)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		The Ruins (R)	7 p.m.
Sun	Jun 22	Kung Fu Panda (Pg)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Stop Loss (R)	7 p.m.
Mon	Jun 23	Kung Fu Panda (Pg)(1strun)	7 p.m.
Thu	Jun 26	The Ruins (R)	7 p.m.
Fri	Jun 27	The Incredible Hulk (unrated)(1strun)	7 p.m.
Sat	Jun 28	The Incredible Hulk (unrated)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Street Kings (R)	7 p.m.
Sun	Jun 29	The Incredible Hulk (unrated)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Street Kings (R)	7 p.m.

COMING SOON! The USAG Bamberg electronic marquee is under construction!
Please bear with us while we complete the installation process!

Lil Jon comes to Bamberg

Exuberant, loud-mouthed, and regularly adorned with a bejeweled pimp chalice at hand, Lil Jon was the charismatic figurehead of the Dirty South crunk movement that arose from the Atlanta area around the turn of the century. Born Jonathan Smith on January 27, 1971, in Atlanta, GA, the producer/rapper began his rap industry ascension as part of Jermaine



Dupri's So So Def label, for which he worked from 1993 to 2000. In the mid-'90s Lil Jon began making a name for himself as a producer with a knack for club remixes. Before long he formed his own group, Lil Jon & the East Side Boyz, comprised of Big Sam and Lil Bo, in addition to himself. Lil Jon and the East Side Boyz will perform at USAG Bamberg on June 23 at 8 p.m. at the Freedom Fitness Facility.

Trips and Travel Opportunities

Take a trip with ODR this June

Take a trip this June with Bamberg Outdoor Recreation.

June 14-15: Adventure Weekend **\$199**

Does your life need some adventure? Let's go white water rafting and canyoning. This weekend is a great intro if you've never done either sport. Includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy) with breakfast and dinner and activities. Please remember to bring a towel, swim suit and shoes that can get wet. Departs 4 a.m. June 14 and returns at approx. 10 p.m. June 15.

June 15 Mountain Bike Ride **\$10**

Grab your bike and helmet and head out with Paul for a ride. The ride will be suited to intermediate mountain bikers and will be approx 30k long. Please remember to bring lunch, snacks and plenty of water. Departs ODR 9 am, returns approx. 4:30 pm.

June 17: Mountain Biking **Free**

Two Tuesdays a month, join our ODR staff and try our after work spins through the nearby woods. Rides will last approximately 2 hours and terrain will vary based on the skill of riders present. Please bring your own bike as well as snacks and drinks. Departs CAC at 5:30 p.m., returns approx. 7:30 p.m.

June 21 White Water Kayaking **\$25**

We're headed to the Wiesent in nearby Little Swiss for some beginner white water. Please pack your own lunch, snacks, drinks and dry clothes. Price includes transportation, instruction and all necessary equipment. Departs CAC at 9 a.m. returns approx. 5 p.m.

June 21 Summer Solstice Hike **\$10**

Celebrate the Summer Solstice with an evening hike to the Walberla Plateau in Little Swiss. Pack your dinner for a picnic at the top. We'll provide the s'mores. Departs ODR at 6 p.m. and returns approx. 11 p.m.

June 28 Main Paddle **\$20**

Always wanted to try kayaking? Learn the basics of touring with Paul, our certified instructor. Includes equipment, transportation

and instruction. Please pack your own lunch and snacks. Departs CAC at 9:30 a.m. and returns approx. 4 p.m.

Sign up for ODR trips no later than the Monday prior to the trip or the trips may be cancelled. For more information please contact the CAC at DSN:469-8659 / 7450. No refund will be given for no-shows. Military duty restraint or illness will be refunded.

Fuel Cards

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resets at the beginning of each month?" An absolute rule within this system is that the customer's money remains the customer's money until the customer uses their money to pay for fuel for their vehicle.

Another often asked question is about lending vehicles to other people: "If I lend my vehicle to my friend, and my fuel card is assigned to that vehicle, why can't my friend use that card to put fuel in my vehicle?"

And while Mattingly answers that easily enough – "The reason is because the fuel card can only be used by the sponsor or registered vehicle drivers" – he said that question and many others could be answered with the same answer: "Because that is a requirements the host nation said we must comply with, otherwise we don't get rationed fuel."

A coupon era common practice, many people want to know how they can buy their entire monthly ration when they learn that AAFES will soon be raising their prices on fuel.

"The only way to buy the entire monthly ration with a fuel card is to have a vehicle that has enough capacity to hold the entire monthly ration" said Mattingly. "We are moving away from a system that allowed you to buy fuel in advance, and using a payment system common to the rest of the world where you pay for your fuel after you have pumped the fuel into your vehicle."

He added that patience is a virtue.

"As this program continues to mature, we will have to iron out wrinkles. However, it's a good program, it works as designed, and customers find it user friendly," said Mattingly. "Leadership support throughout Europe has been outstanding. They understand it's this or nothing. We hope that by keeping people informed, we perpetuate that understanding."

Community Activation Dates

Ansbach/Illesheim: July 7-20

Baumholder: July 14-26

Bamberg: July 14-26

Spangdahlem: July 28-Aug. 24

Geilenkirchen: Aug. 4-10

Vilseck: Aug. 11-24

Grafenwöhr: Aug. 25-Sept. 7

Schweinfurt: Aug. 25-Sept. 7

Hohenfels: Sept. 8-14

Stuttgart (Panzer): Sept. 8-21

Wiesbaden: Sept. 15-Oct. 12

Stuttgart (Patch): Sept. 22-Oct. 5

Vogelweh: Oct. 6-Nov. 2

Mannheim: Oct. 13-Nov. 2

Heidelberg: Nov. 3-30

Ramstein: Nov. 3-Dec. 15

Outside the Gate

Weekend Events in and around Bamberg

Frequently used locations can be found online at www.bamberg.army.mil/sites/news/map.pdf

Friday, June 13

- 7 p.m. Rock concert "Them Good old Boys & Second Hand" at Herzogscheune, Walsdorf
- 8 p.m. Ethno-World Disco "Atlantic And Pacific Grooves" at Studio13, (Luitpoldstr. 40)
- 8 p.m. Classical concert at, Seehof Castle, Memmelsdorf.
- 9 p.m. Terry Lee Burns at Blues Bar, (Obere Sandstr. 18)
- 9 p.m. Sound'n Arts (Obere Sandstr. 20)
- 9 p.m. 30 plus party at Haas-Säle (Obere Sandstraße 7)
- 10 p.m. Funky Safari at Morph Club, (Siechenstr. 7a)

Saturday, June 14

- 6 a.m. Volksmarching in Erlbach, 4, 10 and 20K, meeting point Fest platz, Frankenstrasse, Erlbach
- 7 a.m. Volksmarching in Selbitz, 5k, 10K and 20 K. Meeting point sports field "Gruene Au", Austrasse 12, Selbitz
- 11 a.m. Open Air concert in Schesslitz, downtown
- Noon Concert at the Bamberg cathedral
- 6 p.m. String puppet theater "loose" plays "The Magic flute" (Untere Sandstraße 30)
- 7 p.m. Summerfest "Uferlos" Michaelsberg
- 8 p.m. concert "Journey" Jako Arena (Forchheimerstrasse 15, next to Kaufland store)
- 8 p.m. Classical concert at Seehof Castle, Memmelsdorf
- 9 p.m. Dentler & Dziallas, Blues Bar (Obere Sandstrasse 18)
- 9 p.m. Concert with "The Jesters & Dirty K." Sound'n'Art (Obere Sandstrasse 20)
- 10 p.m. Rock concert, Morph Club (Siechenstrasse 7a)

Sunday, June 15

- 6 a.m. Volksmarching in Erlbach, 4, 10 and 20K, meeting point Fest platz, Frankenstrasse, Erlbach
- 7 a.m. Volksmarching in Selbitz, 5k, 10K and 20 K. Meeting point sports field "Gruene Au", Austrasse 12, Selbitz Selbitz big market with 40 booths, Burgebrach
- 11 a.m. Classical concert at the Karmeliten convent, Bamberg, Kaulberg
- 11 a.m. Beer brewing performances and beer fest in downtown Schesslitz, Hauptstrasse
- 4 p.m. Musical for children at Bamberg concert hall, (Musstr. 1)
- 2 p.m. Yard fest in Bischberg, guesthouse "Huemmer"
- 5 p.m. Classical concert at Schloss Weissenstein, Pommersfelden
- 9 p.m. Titus Waldenfels at Blues Bar (Obere Sandstr. 18)
- 9 p.m. Jam Session, Sound'n Arts, (Obere Sanstr. 18)

Friday, June 20

- 8 p.m. Didi Neumann & Good Gravy concert at Blues Bar, Bamberg (Obere Sandstr. 18)

Saturday, June 21

- Noon Concert at the Bamberg cathedral
- 2 p.m. Seefest at the lake in Ebing
- 2:30 p.m. Seefest in Oberhaid (coffee, BBQ, boatrides and more) at Neuer See in Oberhaid
- 8 p.m. A capella evening with "Rockapella", New York,

- at the Gym in Gundelsheim
- 8 p.m. Concert with the Brassband "Don Bosco" at Gartenstaedter Markt in Bamberg
- 8 p.m. Royal Dentist concert at Blues Bar, Bamberg (Obere Sandstr 18)
- 2 p.m. Wine fest in Bamberg, Schloss Geyerswoerth
- 7 p.m. Bonfire in Unterhaid, Kellerberg
- 8 p.m. Bonfire in Tuetschengereuth, Fire house

Sunday, June 22

- 11 a.m. Village and owen fest in Lindach near Heiligenstadt
- 11 a.m. Family fest with food, games, stands of nature protection organizations at the "Fuchsenwiese" garden (between Muenchner Ring and Waizendorfer Strasse, use Park & Ride facilities at Wuerzburger Strasse, corner Waizendorfer Strasse)
- 2 p.m. Concert at the Hain park, Music pavillion
- 2 p.m. Wine fest in Bamberg, Schloss Geyerswoerth
- 5 p.m. Gospel concert with "Chorissima", Church in Gundelsheim
- 9 p.m. Jonny plays at Blues Bar (Obere Sandstr. 18)
- 9 p.m. Jam Session, open stage, Sound'n Arts (Obere Sandstr. 18)

As seen in the NEWS ..

News summaries from Jun 6–12, 2008

Bamberg soon gets rid off the eyesore

Not many buildings are as well-known as the building on Untere Sandstrasse 20 next to the Marcus Bridge. This house has been unoccupied for decades and in 1996 a woman died during a fire in there. The new owners of the building want to renovate this "eyesore" from an apartment house into a guesthouse.

Swearing-in ceremony

Police students took an oath at the Domberg in Bamberg. A total of 735 police students, of which 174 were female, took their oath to become police officers in the Bamberg area. The ceremony was also attended by Bavarian minister of interior, Joachim Herrmann and Karl-Heinz Spoerl, president of the Bavarian Mobile Police.

German Federal Chancellor is planning to visit Bamberg

During the election campaign of the Bavarian Parliament, Angela Merkel will support the Upper Franconian Party, CSU (Christian, social party). The Federal Chancellor and the chairperson of the Federal CSU party will speak at a big event on September 19. They are invited by the CSU district chairperson, zu Guttenberg, who is also a member of the Federal German Parliament. Last visit by a Federal Chancellor was in 1973.

Forbidden war games

Their "war games" ended with a heavy warning: Sunday afternoon, nine young people between the ages of 13 and 17 years tried to gain access to US Army in Bamberg's training grounds. According to police report, they were in camouflage clothing and had toy weapons with them. Since they committed no criminal offenses, they were only admonished by the police and sent off the premises. US Army representatives pointed out that unauthorized entry of the US Army installation is strictly forbidden. It is highly dangerous due to the fact that security staff will use their weapons if someone unauthorized attempts to enter the area.



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