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Sky Soldiers compete in 2nd annual "Running of the Herd"

By 1st Lt. Monika Comeaux,
173rd Brigade Support Battalion

BAMBERG, Germany - Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team participated in the second annual Running of the Herd relay race in Bamberg, Germany. Paratroopers ran for a 24-hour period starting at noon on Nov. 7 and finishing at noon on Nov. 8.

The 15 seven-man teams carried a bayonet as a baton as they ran their laps on the approximately five-mile course. One person from the team had to be running at all times. By the end of the race, everybody had run at least as much as a Marathon, some even more.

The run commemorated the 48 American Soldiers from the 173rd ABCT who lost their lives during Operation Hump, in War Zone D in Vietnam on and around Nov. 8, 1965, as well as commemorated the 42 paratroopers the unit lost during their last deployment to Afghanistan.

"Last year we had 20 teams," said 1st Lt. Justin Sprague, a medical services officer

with C Company, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion. Sprague was one of the main organizers of the event both last year at Forward Operating Base Fenty as well as this year in Bamberg. "This year we had 15 teams enter, which is pretty impressive, considering that this is a long weekend and they gave up their free time to participate."

Last year's course was only three and a half miles long. Some decided to run two laps, allowing longer rest times for fellow runners. "With the course being longer here, we unanimously decided on one lap," said Staff Sgt. Hedrik Zandbergen, an information systems operator-analyst with C Company, 173rd Special Troops Battalion.

The course was tougher and the weather was colder, said Staff Sgt. Ionna J. Peterman, signal support systems specialist from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 173rd BSB, who participated in the run for the second time.

Participating in a 24-hour race can be done, but much easier if one comes well



1st Lt. Monika Comeaux
Staff Sgt. Hedrik Zandbergen, an information systems operator-analyst with Company C, 173rd Special Troops Battalion, his son Jacob and dog Buckley run together on the muddy course on Nov. 8, nearing the end of the race.

prepared. Peterman's tips include the use of Icy Hot, Motrin, and practice runs to Altenberg, one of Bamberg's landmarks

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New elevator to assist wounded warriors, parents

By Douglas DeMaio, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

BAMBERG – A new elevator being constructed at the Army Community Service building will soon make visits to the Soldier and Family Assistance Center in that building more convenient.

Soldiers from the Warrior Transition Units, which is an administrative and Family-support-service center for wounded warriors recovering from an injury, often have appointments in the building, said Alfredo Bonilla, acting ACS director for Bamberg.

With the addition of the elevator to the building, WTU Soldiers will have more access to the entire building.

"It is important for all members of the community to be able to access all the ACS services, including warriors in transition," Bonilla said. "The upper level of the ACS building houses services that are in great need such as Army Emergency Relief, Financial Readiness, and the Military and Family Life Consultants, which are services that require a certain amount of confidentiality.

"The offices upstairs ... provide that confidentiality," he said. "The original justification for the elevator was intended to provide accessibility for American Soldiers who have been disabled."

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Post Exchange Blowout Sale Nov. 15 before closing for relocation

A message from the Garrison Commander

In the Oct. 10 issue of the Warner Weekly, I addressed an ICE comment about services available on post for paying bills. The customer was concerned about having to wait too long in lines to pay for commercial services.

In responding to his concerns, I gave the customer a list of Community Bank Euro Payment Services. To reiterate, the services available were classified in three categories:

“Dauerauftrag” or a Standing Payment Order, which is a recurring regular fixed payment.

“Einzugsermächtigung” or a Bank Debit Authorization, which are transfers initiated for irregular payment amounts and variable payment dates.

“Überweisungsauftrag” or a One Time Payment, which is a one-time payment processed for the customer to any German beneficiary.

However, I would be remised if I did not go the extra mile to provide more information on options available for paying your bills.

The Service Credit Union's Euro Bill Pay provides the following services:

Branch Bill Pay, which is a service offered to members who would like to pay their German bills through Service Credit Union. These types of German bills typically include telecom, cable and rent. Members that request this service will present either a pre-printed transfer request form or a generic transfer request form, which normally accompanies a German bill. All euro bill payments are made by transfer from the member's account and are subject to available, collected funds. If a member presents cash or checks to fund a payment, those funds must first be deposited. Euro cash or checks must be reconverted to dollars prior to deposit and normal check-hold policies will apply.



On-Line. This allows members to choose either a one-time or a recurring Euro bill payment online by accessing the Euro Bill Payment website through the home banking Web site. A checking account is required for an online Euro bill payment.

Mobile Banking Service, which is a MobileBanc24 service that lets you manage your accounts through online banking. Members can manage all banking transactions, including Euro Bill pay, right through a Web enabled cell phone or PDA. You will need Web access to use this service. You will be charged Web access rates depending on your cell phone carrier.

Automatic Debit, which can allow German companies to automatically debit their account to pay their bills.

I hope that by revisiting this topic, I have given our community a better understanding about the options available to them for paying their Euro bills.

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Commander, US Army Garrison Bamberg

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But Bonilla acknowledges the elevator will be beneficial to more than just disabled veterans.

“An additional benefit of having an elevator in the building is so mothers (or fathers) with children in strollers will be able to access the upper level of the ACS building much easier,” Bonilla said. “Now with the installation of this elevator accessing the services will become easier and more convenient.”

Recently, the ACS building had automatic doors installed to add to handicapped accessibility requirements, he said.

The construction on the elevator began in October and is projected to be complete in December, Bonilla said.

The cost is estimated to be about \$125,000.

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IMCOM-Europe signs environmental agreement

By Ignacio Rubalcava,
USAG Baumholder Public Affairs

BAUMHOLDER, Germany – Protecting the environment is taken seriously in Germany and other European communities.

Accordingly, on her first visit to U.S. Army Garrison Baumholder, Diane Devens, director of Installation Management Command-Europe, met with representatives of the state of Rheinland Pfalz and the German federal government to sign an agreement that affirms the commitment U.S. forces have in abiding by German and European Union environmental protection guidelines.

Representing the state of Rheinland Pfalz was Margit Conrad, minister of the environment. The German federal government was represented by Karl Diller, parliamentary state secretary for the federal ministry of finance.

"I am privileged to witness the signing, and participate in the signing, of this historical agreement between Rheinland Pfalz and the Federal Republic of Germany for nature and landscape protection on military accommodations used by our forces," said Devens. "This agreement is instrumental in achieving our goals."

Natura 2000 is a European Union-wide network of nature protection areas established under the 1992 Habitats Directive. The network strives to ensure the long-term survival of Europe's threatened species and habitats.

Closer to home, hundreds of flora and fauna species not found anywhere else are thriving on Baumholder's military training area. These are but a few of the environmental treasures the German government and the European Union are striving to protect under the Natura 2000 umbrella.

"The protection of partly endangered species and their habitats have been and always will be a special emphasis to us," said Devens. "Our gathering today clearly demonstrates the invaluable cooperation between the U.S. military forces, the Federal Republic of Deutschland and the state of Rheinland Pfalz. Further, it demonstrates the importance the U. S. forces places on the protection of a shared environment."

Normally, one would not readily associate a military training area with a place where endangered flora and fauna flourish but that is indeed the case on Baumholder's military training area.

Devens listed a couple of contributing factors for the unusual occurrence. Most military training areas are fenced and limit trespassing that could damage the environment. Not using pesticides and fertilizers also helps wildlife thrive in its natural environment. This and other reasons allow for many species to thrive on the military training area here.

"We were aware that our military reservations have a high ecological value," said Devens. "Therefore we were not completely surprised when we learned that the German states identified military sites for inclusion in the European Union Natura 2000 effort."

"Frankly," she added, "we were concerned that the decision to include our sites in the Natura 2000 nominations could result in large breeding insurgence and impede the required flexibility to adjust to training needs. Our concerns proved unfounded."

The IMCOM-Europe director noted that such training of Soldiers "has never been as crucial as now."

"We must train to fight and win the global war on terrorism," she said. "Our goal is to accomplish effective military training and continue to provide quality facilities to meet mission requirements, and meet Natura 2000 protection requirements."

The U.S. Army Installation Management Command, Europe Region (IMCOM-Europe) is one of six regional offices created Oct. 24, 2006, (formerly known as Installation Management Agency) as part of an Army-wide initiative to focus management of Army installations around the world under one organization. IMCOM-Europe is responsible for all facets of support for U.S. Army Soldiers and families in Europe from drivers' licenses to child care to force protection. As the landlord for all U.S. Army facilities in Europe, IMCOM-Europe is responsible for infrastructure and continuing the Army's strong commitment to environmental protection. Its higher headquarters is located in Arlington, Va.



Ignacio Rubalcava

From left: Diane Devens, director of Installation Management Command-Europe regional director; Karl Diller, parliamentary state secretary for the federal ministry of finance; and Margit Conrad, minister of the environment for the state of Rheinland Pfalz, sign the Natura 2000 agreement, which protects wildlife in Europe, including those thriving on U.S. military installations.

Martial arts events offered to troops

By Douglas DeMaio, USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

BAMBERG – Professional sporting events in Bavaria are usually limited to soccer and basketball, but Bamberg will soon have some sports entertainment that are different from the norm and Soldiers will be close enough to feel the excitement.

Thanks to Bamberg's Family Morale Welfare and Recreation, Soldiers and their family members will have a chance to attend a mixed martial arts workshop and watch their instructor, at a discounted price, fight in an upcoming martial arts event at Bamberg's Jako Arena

"Without overstatement, this event can be called the top event in Germany's fight sports scene, with eight world champions and ten national and international champions coming to Bamberg," said Simon Hupfer, a marketing director for Bamberg's MWR. "I received a lot of good feed-back and Soldiers I have spoken to all expressed their interest in the event. I hope we can increase that. I'm sure that many Soldiers will go to see the show if we can only make sure they know about it.

"Everybody who is interested in martial arts or boxing, at its best, should come

and see the Muay Thai Boxing and K-1 Rules Super Fights Dec. 13 at 7 p.m." Hupfer said. "You will hate yourself... if you miss it."

The event happens about once a year in Germany, said Bernard Caplin, the fight promoter who worked with Hupfer to get service members discounted tickets. It's a high profile event for Bamberg and has worldwide recognition in the Muay Thai community.

The tickets are normally priced at € 23.50 but the special MWR price is \$25. However, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is also receiving some free tickets. MWR will also give away two special VIP tickets, with seats close to the ring and free buffet. The martial arts workshop is free to military community members, but they must be at least 18 years old to participate.

"I want to support the MWR program wherever possible, also the BOSS program to provide new opportunities for single Soldiers on their night out," Caplin said "Maybe they should bring a lady; the girls always love a good scrap!"

The sport of Thai boxing takes its roots from Muay Thai.



Courtesy photo

The military community will get a chance to see Andy Rögner, a German who is Thai Boxing champion, in a match Dec. 13 at the Jako Arena. Tickets are being offered to the military community at a discounted price.

Muay Thai has a 2,000-year-old tradition that dates back to the ancient battlefields in Asia, Caplin said. "It has developed from these roots to become one of the
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located on a steep hill.

"Practice," said Zandbergen, who this year turned the run into a family affair. One of his sons, Jacob and his dog Buckley both accompanied him to some of the laps. "You can't do this if you are not a good runner. You have to have a lot of will and determination. It really takes something deep inside of you to run 24 hours."

Cpl. David Calderon from C Company, 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment from Schweinfurt, Germany did not have the opportunity to participate last year, since he was deployed to Camp Keating, not FOB Fenty in Afghanistan, so he was a 'rookie' compared to many who already ran last year. To make matters worse, he only had a week's notice before the

race. He said his legs were 'shot and were feeling like Jello', but he was proud to be representing 1-91 CAV.

"It is a nice tradition, and I am glad to be a part of it," he said.

Sprague and Johnson commended the 173rd Association and James Bradley for their tremendous support. Sprague said that Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Outdoor Recreation and the Freedom Fitness Facility all contributed to the success of the run.

The garrison command, military police and the security guards were all really helpful.

"It was a little different getting permission for the run; last year we owned and ran the FOB and didn't really need anybody's permission," said Sprague jok-



1st Lt. Monika Comeaux

Participants of the 24-hour Running of the Herd relay race take off at noon on Nov. 7 in front of the 173rd Brigade Support Battalion's headquarters in Bamberg, Germany.

ingly.

A Fort Riley engineer unit won the race last year. They together ran a total of 173.4 miles. This year the winner team came from Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 173rd Special Troops Battalion,

who together, covered 190 miles.

"I think it is a great event, the historical significance is very important," said Johnson, "I hope that 15 years from now we will have a seventeenth running of the herd."

Community Announcements

Martial Arts Workshop

There will be a free Muay Thai K-1 Workshop at 6 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Freedom Fitness Facility. Serdar Karaca, a German Thai Boxer, and coach Bernard Caplin will teach punching and kicking techniques, talk about K-1 fighting and give away some ring tactics in the 90-minute workshop. Space is limited, so sign up quickly. For more information, call DSN 469-8890 or CIV (0951) 300-8890.

Pre-tax Program

If you are currently participating in the Flexible Spending Account, you must re-enroll for 2009. Enrollment information is available at <https://www.fsafeds.com>. You must enroll between Dec 8.

Tree Lighting Ceremony

The annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony kicks off by the USAREUR Band's brass ensemble at 4:30 p.m. Dec. 5 at the traffic lights/Memorial Park. Just after the lighting of the tree at 5 p.m., Santa Claus arrives to greet visitors and will lead the group to the Army and Air Force Exchange Services Reeltime Movie Theater, where children will have the opportunity to meet with Santa. Professional photos will be made by the Community Activity's Portrait Studio for a small fee. Photos can be picked up at the CAC later. Children and parents can enjoy holiday music with snacks provided. For more information, call Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Special Events at (0951) 300 9010.

Med Blog

The TRICARE "Passport to Care" and other online resources are the focus of the Nov. 21 blog entry by Brig. Gen. Keith W. Gallagher, the U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army Command Surgeon. His blog is available at the Europe Regional Medical Command Web site (<http://ermc.amedd.army.mil>). Questions on medical policy can also be submitted to him there. You can submit a healthcare question at any time by clicking the "Ask the Doc" link from the ERMC home page.

DOL/TAP Workshop

The Army Career and Alumni Program (ACAP) is offering 2.5-day Department of Logistics job assistance workshops for separating and retiring Soldiers from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (final day ends at 12:30 p.m.) at Preston Hall Nov. 18 through 20 and Dec. 9 through 11. 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.

BSCC December Luncheon

The BSCC will have a luncheon Dec. 1 at the Luitpold's Cafe. Lunch will cost 15 Euro per person for a buffet. After lunch, there will be an optional trip to the Christmas Market. If you would like to attend, Please RSVP to reservations@bsccgermany.com by Nov. 26.

Closures / Changes

Tax Assistance Center open

The Bamberg Tax Assistance Center is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 to 3:30 p.m., Mon. to Fri. until Dec.19, when it closes for annual training. It is located on the 4th floor of Bldg. 7000 (The Law Center Building). To make an appointment, call DSN:469-8261 or CIV:0951-300-8261.

Vehicle Registration Office closure

Vehicle Registration Office will be closed on Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving.

Nieves Webb DFAC open

The Nieves Webb Dining Facility in Bldg. #7333 is open. Breakfast is from 7 to 9 a.m. and lunch is 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Self Help Issue Point relocated

The Self Help Issue Point (SHIP) has relocated to Bldg. 7123 (next to the Department of Public Works Supply Area) due to the increased mission of Department of Logistics in support of a Central Receiving Point/Installation Property Book Warehouse.

Bamberg Thrift Shop sale and new hours

If you haven't been to the Thrift Shop lately, we are having a 50% Sale on White Ticket Clothes and Shoes. Operating hours are:

- Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- First Saturday of the month from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Weekly Reminders

Combined Federal Campaign Overseas

The 2008 campaign will run through Dec. 3. Please contact the garrison Directorate of Human Resources at DSN:469-8241/7713. Make a World of Difference.

Entertainment and Leisure

Turkey Shoot at Whispering Pines Golf Course

Whispering Pines Golf Course will have a Turkey Shoot golf tournament beginning at 9 a.m. on Nov. 15, 22 and 29 and Dec. 13 and 20. This is a 9-hole event with a \$15 sign up fee. Win a Turkey, Duck or Cornish Game Hen. For more information, call the Pro Shop at DSN:469-8953.

Free "Gospel Explosion" concert

A free "Gospel Explosion" concert featuring gospel recording artist "K-NINE" will be Nov. 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Main Post Chapel. Local choirs will perform. For more information, call Pastor Bradley at DSN:469-7342.

BINGO!

The 793rd Military Police Battalion will have Bingo on Nov. 21 at the Bamberg High School Multi-Purpose Room. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and games will start at 6:30 p.m.. Prizes will be Bavar-

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ian themed items and Christmas items. There will also be a raffle for a Hand-painted Bavarian Bench worth more than \$300. Raffle tickets for the bench will be sold outside of the Commissary on November 15th, and 16th, and at the event. Come out, have a great time and win some great prizes!

Stable Theater Multimedia Studio

The Stable Theater Multimedia Studio is now open and has state of the art recording and video gear. Sign up for the orientation class or book a session. For all your special projects, from recording your bands full length album to putting your family movies on DVD, call the Stable Theater at DSN:469-8647. There is \$25 per hour for sessions and classes. Custom services available on a per service basis. Non-ID Card holders can participate as our guests with passport number, birth date and place, and car license plate, minimum 48 hours before show date. E-mail James.W.Fredrick@us.army.mil

Franconia International Ski Club

The Franconia International Ski Club is looking for skiers, boarders, and those who want to just check out the mountains. Join us for raffle prizes and discounts on upcoming trips for members joining the first meeting. For more information email franconia-internationalskiclub@yahoo.com or call Candace at 0171-9434672. Regular meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Maisel Keller.

Continuing Education

University of Phoenix open

Located at the Warner Barracks Army Education Center, Bldg 7047, Room 309 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon.-Fri. Leah Gransbery, your new University of Phoenix field representative, can help you start your MBA or MAED program. Online and on-site courses are available and degrees can be achieved in 15-24 months. For more information contact Leah Gransbery at DSN:469-9280, CIV:0951-3009280/2085350 or email leah.gransbery@us.army.mil.

University of Maryland University College fall classes

The following classes will start in late November. For more information, call Alfred Vazquez at the Army Education Center at DSN:314-469-7466 or CIV:0951-300-7466, or email avazquez@ed.umuc.edu.

- Information Literacy and Research Methods (1 credit hour) Nov. 22 and Dec. 6 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Army Family Team Building Classes

Army Family Team Building has the following classes scheduled. Call DSN:469-7777 ahead of time for limited free childcare. Dec. 2 to 4, Level II—AFTB

Defense Language Institute resources available online

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC) activated its new Language Materials Distribution System (LMDS) website July 1, making available hundreds of language survival kits and other materials free of charge to deploy-

ing service members. To view the shopping cart, go to: <https://lmds.dliflc.edu>.

- The website offers Language Survival Kits - pocket size booklets with audio CDs, in over 30 languages, ranging in topics from public affairs, cordon and search, to medical terminology.
- DLIFLC also offers new Headstart language DVD programs that use cutting-edge technology and computer animation to teach 80-hours of self-paced lessons and are designed to teach survival phrases in Iraqi Arabic, and Afghan Dari and Pashto.
- Language materials can be viewed, downloaded, and ordered at www.dliflc.edu under the Products tab. You must register and receive DLIFLC account approval before placing your order. Some products are not available for download to the general public.

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University of Phoenix offers online and on site courses

University of Phoenix is offering graduate degrees on-site and online. Located at Warner Barracks Education Center. University of Phoenix is in Bldg. 7047, Room 309 and is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information call DSN 469-9280 or email Joline.Powell@Phoenix.edu.

Health and Fitness

Unit Level Invitational Basketball Tournament

A unit level invitational basketball tournament will be Dec. 6 and 7. The tournament is open to all men and women U.S. ID Card holders. Register your team no later than Dec 1. Games will start at 9 a.m. on Dec 6. Team trophies will be awarded for first- and second-place winners. The event is free. For more information, call Charles Williams at DSN:469-7597 or email Charles.Williams@eur.army.mil.

Turkey Smoke-out Racquetball Championship

A Turkey Smoke-out Racquetball Championship tournament will begin at 5 p.m. on Nov. 14 and continue at 10 a.m., Nov. 15. Come test your racquetball game before the big football game and earn the right to be called a "champion" until the new year! There will be men's and women's open divisions. A free players meeting will begin at 9 a.m. with the first game starting at 9:30 a.m. The winner of each category will have their name engraved on the Championship Plaque and that person will also receive an award to take home with them. For more information contact Charles Ford at DSN:469-7595 or email charles.fordjr1@eur.army.mil.

Post Exchange Grand Opening Nov. 17 at the Basics Building

Federal Employee Health Benefits

Federal employees in Germany can enroll, change, or cancel their federal health benefits during federal benefits open season. The timeframe to changes these benefits are from now through Dec 8. For more information, visit <https://www.abc.army.mil>.

Dental and Vision Insurance Program

Information about the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) can be accessed at <https://www.benefeds.com>. Changes to coverage or cancellation of coverage can not be made through the Web site, but instruction on how to change or cancel coverage is available. The timeframe to changes these benefits is from Nov. 10 to Dec 8.

Body Fit For You classes at Freedom Fitness Facility

A Body Fit For You classes are available at the Freedom Fitness Facility. For more information on these classes or a personal trainer, call Ayla at 0171-4969539 or email her at abodyfitforyou@hotmail.com.

- Mon. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Pilates
6 to 8 p.m. Boot Camp
- Tue. 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Boot Camp
- Wed. 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Pilates
- Thu. 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Boot Camp
6 to 8 p.m. Boot Camp

Bikes for rent

Bamberg's Outdoor Recreation (ODR) now has bikes for rent. Not only can mountain bikers take advantage of the new offer, it's also perfect transportation for anybody who is waiting for their POV to arrive or for those who don't have a valid driving license. "I was very satisfied with the services that Outdoor Recreation gave me," Sgt. Daniel Fenwick wrote in an Interactive Customer Evaluation (ICE) comment card. "The idea of renting bikes for either sport or just plain transportation is outstanding. It came in handy for me because of the shipment of my POV. Keep up the good work!" Bikes are \$10 per day or \$40 for one week. All bikes come with the mandatory helmet and a lock. For mountain bikers, ODR offers mountain bike trips. For more information, call CIV:0951-300-8659.

Trips and Travel Opportunities

Take a trip with Bamberg Outdoor Recreation (ODR) in November

Nov. 15 Polish Pottery Shopping **\$65**

Go right to the source to fill your china cabinet with Polish Pottery! In Boleslawiec, Poland you can buy directly from the different factories. There are hundreds of patterns to choose from so get ready to shop! Includes transportation only. You must have a valid passport. Departs Chapel Lot 4 a.m. and returns at 11:30 p.m.

Nov. 22 Auto Museums **\$25**

Want to get a good look at some fine German engineering? Join us for a quick trip to the Porsche and Mercedes museums in Stuttgart. Includes transportation and museum admission. Please bring money for lunch and anything you might like to buy. Don't forget your VAT forms. Departs ODR 8 a.m. and returns at 7 p.m.

Nov. 27-30 Alps Skiing and Riding **\$275**

Looking for something fun to do for Thanksgiving? Head to the Alps for skiing and snowboarding! We're taking you to Stubai Austria for some of the best terrain around. Includes transportation and 3 night lodging with breakfast and dinner (double occupancy). A lift pass is not included in the price. Discounted rentals and maintenance available at Bamberg ODR. Need lessons? Sign up at ODR, only \$25 for a 1 1/2 hour group lesson, from beginner to advanced. Departs ODR 10 a.m. Nov. 27 and returns at 10 p.m. Nov. 30.

Nov. 28 Czech Shopping

\$35

Hop on our motor coach for a trip to Karlovy-Vary to shop for Czech glass, crystal jewelry or just to see the beautiful sights of the city. All trip goers must have a valid passport. Includes transportation. Departs Chapel Lot at 7 a.m. and returns at 9 p.m.

You must register for these trips by the Monday before the scheduled leave date or they may be cancelled. To sign up or for more information, please come to Outdoor Recreation, bldg. 7047 or call DSN:469-8659/7450 or CIV: 0951-300-8659. All trips depart and arrive at Community Activity Center (CAC) unless otherwise noted. No refund will be given for no-shows. Military duty restraint or illness will be refunded.

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Nov. 21-30, 2008

Safety tips for using turkey deep fat fryers this holiday season



Consumers should use extreme caution when preparing holiday meals with a turkey deep fat fryer. Tests have shown that the fryers have a high risk of tipping over, overheating, or spilling hot oil, leading to fires, burns, or other injuries.

The cooking method, which has become increasingly popular in recent years, requires placing the turkey in three gallons or more of oil, heated by propane. Some opt for frying, believing it delivers better taste and cuts down on cooking time; but the units have come under scrutiny as Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., an independent product safety-testing organization, has decided not to certify any turkey fryer with their UL mark.

Some concerns about turkey fryers:

- When the turkey is placed in the hot oil, oil may spill onto the burner, creating a fire.
- The units can easily tip over, spilling hot, scalding oil onto anyone or anything nearby.
- Most units do not have automatic thermostat controls, so oil may heat until it catches fire.
- The sides, lids, and handles get extremely hot and may cause burns.

The IMCOM Fire Protection Specialists urge consumers to use cooking equipment that has been tested and approved by a recognized testing facility.

Unattended cooking is the primary cause of residential fires." "By simply oven-roasting a turkey the traditional way, or ordering a fried turkey from a grocery store or caterer, who are experienced in deep frying food and use professional-grade frying equipment, consumers can reduce the chance for serious burns and injuries."

However, if a turkey fryer is used, here are some tips for safer use:

- Turkey fryers should always be used outdoors a safe distance from buildings and combustible materials.
- Never use turkey fryers on wooden decks, in garages, or underneath overhangs.
- Make sure the fryers are used on a flat surface to reduce accidental tipping.
- Use an oil (or candy) thermometer to monitor the oil for cooking temperature as well as to prevent smoking and/or fire. Ensure that you have a thermometer designed for the deep fat fryer and monitor the oil's temperature so that it does not reach its ignition temperature and causing an unwanted fire to begin. Most personnel will utilize peanut oil in their deep fat fryers due to its higher ignition temperature. A key point to remember is that peanut oil has a smoke point of 440°F or 227°C. The smoke point of various fats is important to note because a fat is no longer good for consumption after it has exceeded its smoke point and has begun to break down. Once a fat starts to smoke, it usually will emit a harsh smell and fill the air with smoke.
- All personnel should know the flash point and auto ignition temperature of the oil in which they are cooking with. If this

is unknown, contact your local fire prevention office. Peanut oil has a flash point of 539.6°F/282°C and an auto-ignition temperature of 833°F/445°F.

- Never leave the fryer unattended. Most units do not have thermostat controls causing the oil to continue to heat until it catches fire.
- Never let children or pets near the fryer when in use. Even after use, never allow children or pets near the turkey fryer. The oil inside the cooking pot can remain dangerously hot, hours after use.
- To avoid oil spillover, do not overfill the fryer. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Use well-insulated potholders or oven mitts when touching pot or lid handles. If possible, wear safety goggles to protect eyes from oil splatter.
- Make sure the turkey is completely thawed and be careful with marinades. Oil and water do not mix, and water causes oil to spill over, causing a fire or even an explosion hazard.
- It is recommended for refrigerator thawing and to allow approximately 24 hours for every 4-5 pounds of bird to be thawed out.
- Keep an all-purpose fire extinguisher nearby and use it if the fire is manageable. NEVER attempt to extinguish a Deep Fat Fryer grease fire utilizing water.
- Immediately call your emergency fire reporting phone number for fires involving deep fat fryers.

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Outside the Gate

Weekend Events in and around Bamberg for Nov. 14-23

Friday, Nov. 14

- 8 p.m. "Remmes Acoustic Blues" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstraße 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Captain Fusion" fusion music combining jazz and rock music at Jazzclub Bamberg e.V., Obere Sandstr. 18, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "funky safari special : these are the breaks" old school funk, boogie, breakdance at Morph Club, Siechenstraße 7, Bamberg

Saturday, Nov. 15

- 8 a.m. "Volksmarching" in Vorbachzimmern (Ansbach area); Distances 5, 10 and 20 km; meeting point is "Turnhalle" in Vorbachzimmern
- 9 a.m. "Volksmarching" in Volkach/Main (Schweinfurt area, along B286 towards Gerolzhofen); Distances 6, 16 and 20 km; meeting point is "Mainschleifen-Halle" in Volkach/Main
- 10 a.m. "Volksmarching" in Selbitz (Autobahn A(towards Berlin, exit Selbitz/Naila); Distance: 10 km, meeting point is Sportplatz Grüne Au, Austrasse 12, 95152 Selbitz
- 7 p.m. "Prinz Rosenrot und Prinzessin Lilienweiss" (in German) romantic Fairy tale at Marionette-Theater, Untere Sandstraße 30, Bamberg
- 7:30 p.m. "Fall concert" with the music club and choir Eintracht Oberhaid at Turnhalle, An der Turnhalle, 96173 Oberhaid
- 8 p.m. "1516 rockt" pure rock – hand made at Live-Club, Obere Sandstraße 7, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Eisi & Luggi" live music at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstraße 18, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Menachem Har-Zahav" World class pianist at Harmonie-Spiegelsaal, Schillerplatz 5, Bamberg (tickets available at www.bvd-ticket.de)
- 9 p.m. "Huebnose unplugged" live music; 30 years of rock history, cult songs from Genesis, Sting, Pink Floyd, Supertramp and many more at Club Kaulberg, Unterer Kaulberg 36, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Jermaine Landsberger" live jazz piano at Jazzclub Bamberg e.V., Obere Sandstr. 18, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "live: bashment feat. rojah phad full" reggae . ragga . Dance hall at Morph Club, Siechenstraße 7, Bamberg

Sunday, Nov. 16

- 8 a.m. "Volksmarching" in Vorbachzimmern (Ansbach area); Distances 5, 10 and 20 km; meeting point is "Turnhalle" in Vorbachzimmern
- 9 a.m. "Volksmarching" in Volkach/Main (Schweinfurt area, along B286 towards Gerolzhofen); Distances 6 km, 16 km and 20 km; meeting point is "Mainschleifen-Halle" in Volkach/Main
- 2 p.m. "Children's bazaar" clothes, toys and more for children at Kindergarten St. Kunigund, Kunigundensaal Gartenstadt, Seehofstrasse, Bamberg
- 5 p.m. Bamberg's Basketball team "Brose Baskets" will play the "Deutsche Bank Skyliners" at Jako-Arena, Forchheimer Str. 15, Bamberg (tickets available at www.kartenkiosk-bamberg.de)
- 5 p.m. "French choir music" at St. Stephanskirche, Stephansplatz 5, Bamberg (tickets are 10 Euros, kids up to 12 years are free)
- 8 p.m. "Dentler & Dziallas" live rock, blues and pop at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstraße 18, Bamberg

Monday, Nov. 17

- 7 p.m. Piano-Live at Hofbräu Restaurant & Bar, Karolinenstr. 7, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Deep Purple" 40th Jubilee tour at JAKO-Arena, Forchheimer Str. 15 Bamberg (tickets available at www.kartenkiosk-bamberg.de)
- 9 p.m. "SCHWOF" the cult disco party, all drinks are half price at Live-Club, Obere Sandstr. 7, Bamberg

Friday, Nov. 21

- 7 p.m. "Holiday on ice" – presenting "Elements – Fire and Water, Earth and Air" colorful ice skating show at JAKO-Arena, Forchheimer Str. 15 (main entrance), Bamberg (tickets available at www.kartenkiosk-bamberg.de)
- 8 p.m. "Back2Harlem" concert and party at Live-Club, Obere Sandstraße 7, Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Sonnie Ronny & The Shotguns" at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstraße 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "cinnamon" live pop music at Club Kaulberg, Unterer Kaulberg 36, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "Napalma (Brazil)" Afro-Brazilian beats & electro-funk fusion at Sound'n Arts Club, Sandstraße 20, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "celebrating the first 9 years : morphclub!" anniversary party at Morph Club, Siechenstraße 7, Bamberg

Saturday, Nov. 22

- 2 p.m. "toy bazaar" second hand toys sale at Mehrgenerationenhaus Mütterzentrum Känguruh, Nürnberger Straße 108 k, Bamberg
- 2 p.m. "nativity scenes from around the world" over 300 different nativity scenes on display at Museum Alte Schule, Kirchplatz 4, 96114 Hirschaid
- 4:30 p.m. "Holiday on ice" – presenting "Elements – Fire and Water, Earth and Air" colorful ice skating show at JAKO-Arena, Forchheimer Str. 15 (main entrance), Bamberg (tickets available at www.kartenkiosk-bamberg.de)
- 5 p.m. "Hänsel and Gretel" fairy tale (in German) at Marionette-Theater, Untere Sandstraße 30, Bamberg
- 7 p.m. "Don Bosco fall fest" German folk brass band at Bürgersaal Stegaurach, Elsterweg, 96135 Stegaurach
- 7:30 p.m. "Fall concert" of the choir Liedertafel Burgwindheim at Schul turnhalle (school gym), Kirchenplatz, 96154 Burgwindheim
- 8 p.m. "14th Bamberg guitar days: Tango" live guitar duo at Neues Palais, Luitpoldstraße 40 a, 96052 Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Duo d'Accord (Lucia Huang & Sebastian Euler, Klavier) & Ear drum percussion duo" at Konzert- und Kongresshalle - Joseph-Keilberth-Saal, Mußstraße 1, Bamberg (tickets at www.bvd-ticket.de)
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- 8 p.m. "Serious Business" live classic-soul, rock and rhythm & blues at Live-Club, Obere Sandstraße 7, 96049 Bamberg
- 8 p.m. "Two in Tune" acoustic sound at Blues Bar, Obere Sandstraße 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Looks bad – feels good" live jazz music at Jazzclub Bamberg e.V., Obere Sandstr. 18, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Mr. Fingers and the Shifters" live rock music at Club Kaulberg, Unterer Kaulberg 36, Bamberg
- 9 p.m. "Orange from Venus" live rock concert with psychedelic lightshow at Sound'n Arts Club, Sandstraße 20, Bamberg
- 10 p.m. "Greenclub" rap . funk . deutsch-rap at Morph Club, Siechenstraße 7, Bamberg

Sunday, Nov. 23

- 9:30 a.m. "Memmelsdorf castle run" at Seehofhalle Memmelsdorf, Pödel dorfer Str. 20a, 96117 Memmelsdorf
- 9:30 a.m. "toy trains – exhibition" at Stadthalle, An der Reichen Ebrach 1, 96132 Schlüsselfeld
- 10 a.m. 1st Christmas market "Weihnacht & Ambiente" at Böhmerwiese, Heiliggrabstraße 57, Bamberg

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**Holiday schedule
2008/2009
Bamberg Commissary**

Date	Weekday	Status	Time
Nov. 24	<i>Monday</i>	Open	11 a.m. 7 p.m.
Nov. 27	<i>Thursday</i>	Closed	THANKSGIVING
Dec. 22	<i>Monday</i>	Open	11 a.m. 7 p.m.
Dec. 24	<i>Wednesday</i>	Open	11 a.m. 4 p.m.
Dec. 25	<i>Thursday</i>	Closed	CHRISTMAS
Dec. 29	<i>Monday</i>	Open	11 a.m. 7 p.m.
Dec. 31	<i>Wednesday</i>	Open	11 a.m. 7 p.m.
Jan. 1, 2009	<i>Thursday</i>	Closed	NEW YEAR



*Enjoy a safe and happy holiday
season*



Army Emergency Relief earns four-star rating

Washington, DC – Army Emergency Relief (AER) recently earned its third consecutive 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, one of the nation's largest and most-utilized evaluator of charities. This coveted rating reflects AER's sound fiscal management and program efficiency in providing financial assistance to Soldiers and their Families. According to Charity Navigator, only 10 percent of the charities they rate have received at least three consecutive 4-star evaluations. AER is the Army's own military aid society, founded in 1942 in response to the need of Soldiers and their Families experiencing financial emergencies during World War II. Since its founding, AER has provided more than \$1 Billion of assistance to Soldiers and their Families in the form of no-interest loans or outright grants.

This year AER is on track for another record breaking year in supporting Soldiers and their Families. Faced with the demands of operations in Iraq and Afghanistan along with the challenges of today's economy, total AER assistance is running 12 percent ahead of last year. AER provides financial assistance for such needs as emergency travel, housing, car repair, food and utilities. With assistance provided in the form of a no-interest loans and grants, AER provides the Army a valuable resource in helping take care of its Army Family.

AER assistance is available to Soldiers and their Families wherever they are located and the amount of assistance

**Brighten Up Someone's Holiday
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**2008 Holiday Mailing Dates
Europe To CONUS**



Nov. 28 SAM parcels

Dec. 4 PAL parcels

Dec. 11 Priority parcels

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Dec. 20 Express mail



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Bamberg Movie Schedule

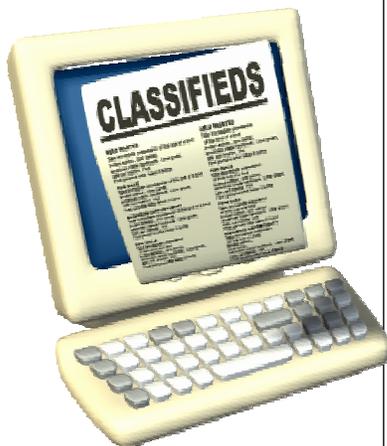
AAFES Reeltime Theater is **CLOSED Tue. and Wed.**

Fri.	Nov. 14	Bangkok Dangerous (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Sat.	Nov. 15	High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Babylon A.D. (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Sun.	Nov. 16	High School Musical 3: Senior Year (G)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		College (R)	7 p.m.
Mon.	Nov. 17	College (R)	7 p.m.
Thur.	Nov. 20	The House Bunny (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Fri.	Nov. 21	Righteous Kills (R)	7 p.m.
Sat.	Nov. 22	Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (Pg)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Tyler Perry's The Family That Preys (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Sun.	Nov. 23	Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa (Pg)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Tyler Perry's The Family That Preys (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Mon.	Nov. 24	Righteous Kills (R)	7 p.m.
Thur.	Nov. 27	The Women (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Fri.	Nov. 28	My Best Friend's Girl (Pg-13)	7 p.m.
Sat.	Nov. 29	Quantum Of Solace (Pg-13)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Miracle At St. Anna (R)	7 p.m.
Sun.	Nov. 30	Quantum Of Solace (Pg-13)(1strun)	4 p.m.
		Burn After Reading (R)	7 p.m.

approved is only limited by the valid need. Soldiers and their Family members requiring AER assistance need only contact their Chain of Command or local AER office.

Under AER's Command Referral Program, company commanders and first sergeants have the ability to approve AER loans to their Soldiers and based on valid need up to \$1,000. Soldiers and Families not near an AER office can still seek assistance from one of the other military aid societies or the local chapter of the Red Cross.

Full details on AER's assistance programs may be found by contacting Vanessa Holland at DSN 469-7777 or CIV 0951-300-7777 or visit www.aerhq.org.



Please call us and tell us when you sell your item so we can remove the advertisement. Thank you.

AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE

2001 Mitsubishi Galant - \$4,200 OBO Automatic. PS/PB/CD/CRUISE/65K MI Brand new brakes, insp. 'til Apr. '09. Car in Bamberg, READY TO SELL! Call Ian at 015-121-47-8926 or email: ianmartinezahanna@yahoo.com. (11/6/08)

1989 BMW 316i 4-door - Manual transmission; 135k miles, runs great; guaranteed to pass inspection. Asking \$1200; must sell due to PCS contact CPT Krieger, 01603839792 or Harstan.d.krieger@us.army.mil. (11/6/08)

1999 Yamaha V-Star Classic Cruiser for sale. Black, new tires, new saddle bags & inspection. Has 13,800 miles, asking \$4500. Can email pictures. Please contact camelot101501@yahoo.com. (10.15.08)

2000 Ford Mustang for sale color: white, asking price: \$7000.00-\$6500.00. Vehicle includes: cd/tapedeck, rear window defroster, fully powered driver's seat, power steering, two 500w bass tubes w/ hook-up cording (easy to hook up), floor heating, new battery just installed, currently in the process of adding new smokey black headlight sets, lights are legal for use. Vehicle has 66,000 miles on it. If interested contact me (Jacques Anderson) at 09512974215 or email me westcoasrydah80@hotmail.com

1997 Pontiac Firebird, 99K miles, silver, t-tops, manual transmission, good all-weather tires, alloy rims, new power steering pump, new full clutch assembly, added speaker. Runs great! Good gas mileage for a 6 cyl. Hate to let it go but must sell, 3 kids 2 rear seat belts doesn't work! Asking \$5100 (NADA recommended price) Call or email Stephanie @ 01705883916 or 09512972052, screechncarmie@yahoo.com.

1983 Honda Silverwing motorcycle, low miles, very good condition, extra brake pads and logos. Currently registered non-op due to no bike license. Needs battery. Runs great!!! Asking \$1000 OBO Call or email Stephanie @ 01705883916 or 09512972052, screechncarmie@yahoo.com.

Ford Escape 2003, 4dr, White, 67,000 miles, us specs, automatic. In great condition, inspection current. Available end of September. \$7,800 Contact kathryn.carter@amedd.army.mil.

'89 Black BMW 500 series, power windows and locks, sunroof, brand new front and back brakes. Some work required, this is not a car for someone who can't change their brakes or oil. Paid \$1700 one year ago, asking \$700. For more details email aronbr@hotmail.com.

Honda Accord EX, '04, 42,000 miles, dual electric / heated seats, in dash 6 CD changer, moon roof, 1 owner, \$15,000. Please contact 0951-297-1203.

2004 Chevy Venture Van, White, AC, Automatic, US Specs, Excellent Condition, 30,000 miles, \$10,000 OBO. Call 0170-7219159 or 09546594733.

EMPLOYMENT

Bamberg Elementary School has openings for Lunch Monitors. If you are looking for a part-time job and like working with children, stop by the BES main office for an application. For more information on our open continuous vacancies, go to www.eu.dodea.edu. (10.24.08)

American Red Cross Bamberg is accepting on-line applications for our paid position of Field Office Assistant. Access <http://www.redcross.org>, click on JOBS, click on Search Openings, click on All Postings, click Search, scroll to 7399BR Assistant, Field Office. Call Marilyn Smith 469-8941 for more information. (11/6/08)

FOR SALE

For Sale: Scientific Atlantica PowerVu D9234 Business Satellite Receiver (decoder already registered and never been used) w/ remote and 22" CS Satellite Dish w/ mount. Both for \$150. Contact Jon @ 01755326497. (11/6/08)

PCS Sale: Small AC/Heater Unit \$50, new 12 foot pool with filter still in shrink wrapped box \$50, 2 small plastic pools, new stand fan with three speeds \$15, 4 used stand fans \$10, transformers & extension cords Call:0175-259-6076. (10.28.08)

For Sale: Scientific Atlantica PowerVu D9234 Business Satellite Receiver (decoder already registered and never been used) w/ remote and 22" CS Satellite Dish w/ mount. Both for \$150. Contact Jon @ 01755326497. (10.28.08)

FOR SALE: 37" JVC TV and Panasonic Home Theatre System. TV is older tube style but works great for AFN, DVD's and games. Home theatre system has 6 speakers and perfect for housing and includes a 5 disc DVD changer. \$100. 0171-922-8194. (10.03.08)

Bowling ball for sale: Brunswick Teal Rhino 15 lb. ball. New (never used). \$100. I have pictures. Email me if you

want to see them at elytim_b@hotmail.com. (10.03.08)

PCS SALE! Lawn mower \$75, large AFN satellite dish \$50, 2000 Watt transformer \$50. 0151-529-77501.

Coach Purses x3, each used twice, large brown includes wallet, med black includes wallet. Small brown. Email for pictures and low prices PX does not have these. kathryn.carter@amedd.army.mil

PCS SALE 220V Air Conditioner, free-standing with mobile wheels. Works Great! \$275, 220 volt ELTA heater/fan \$20, set of 2 IKEA paper lamps (very modern/nice for an asian appeal) \$25, IKEA picture light (neat for a big picture) \$25, 220 volt, Iron \$8, 220 Volt Fan \$10, small stand w/ drawers & cabinet, \$25, Armoire- Dresser-Nightstand-MAKE US AN OFFER! We also have transformers however will be using them until HHG are picked up so call/ email us if you are interested! *PCS SALE* Call 0951-297-2203 or email non_nhoi@yahoo.com

For sale baby swing-\$10, Baby Einstein Discover & Play-\$30, Pack & Play-\$25, Double Stroller-\$40, Bassinet-\$30, Monitor video (new) \$50. Lots of boy clothes. Pictures available. Call 0951-297-2036 or email revesivon-ne07@yahoo.com.

Maya wrap. Purple shades. Has not been used. Comes with instructional DVD. Paid \$50. Asking \$30. Please email casmarid@yaoo.com.

German bed, 160cm x 200cm, in great condition with 2 fairly new latex mattresses and large storage areas inside bed frame. Asking price is \$600. Must sell! Pick up only! Bamberg area. Can email pics. 0175-7914858.

900MHZ Hp pavilion desktop computer with monitor, keyboard, mouse and speakers. Good condition. Asking \$350. Brand New Dual 12 inch Band pass subwoofer box. \$150 MUST SELL! Bamberg Area. 0175-7914858.

German room shrank, four door (90" tall x 26" wide x 132" long). Two doors with full length mirrors. Paid \$500 a year ago, selling for \$200 obo. MUST SELL! Can email photos. Call 0951-297-6645. No delivery. Bamberg.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

Due to legal regulations regarding advertising of commercial services, we will no longer be able to place advertisements for home based services in the Warner Weekly. For more information see AE Reg 210-70, para 10.a. which prohibits DoD funded publications, other than commercial enterprise publications (the Warner Weekly is not yet a commercial enterprise publication), from carrying commercial advertising. These DoD-funded publications include newspapers, magazines and all other publications funded with appropriated funds.

SERVICES WANTED

German language tutoring for myself and my son in the Hirschaid area, or at the Barracks directly after work hours for 2 hours each week. Please contact me with serious offers. Could be a great opportunity for a mature, high school person. Must be organized. Contact Allye 0172 839 5048.

MISCELLANEOUS

Greater Nation Christian Fellowship opens Nov. 16. Pastors Vanessa Holland and Bishop Charles L. Holland. Location: Out gate 3, Third light left, through next light take first left through gate. (Old USA Video store). Looking for gifted musicians, singers, dancers, rappers and willing workers for the Lord. Contact Vanessa Holland at nesbie7@yahoo.com All are welcomed to serve the Lord with us. Service Sundays: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday School 10 to 10:45 a.m., Bible Study Wed. nights 7 to 8 p.m. (10.24.08)

Centro Cristiano Bamberg, Casa de Dios y Puerta del Cielo, Pastors JC and Mariet Perez are located at 29 Jack Strasse, 96052 Bamberg. Circle of Prayer held 6 p.m. Tue., Fri. Services at 7 p.m., Sunday School at 10 a.m. and Sunday Service at 11:30 a.m. For more info visit our web site at www.centro-cristiano-bamberg.com or call: 0160-438-5011 or 0151-524-16221.

The Bamberg Protestant service meets from 11 a.m. to noon every Sunday at the chapel. AWANA meets at the Bamberg High School gym every Sunday evening from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible studies are at the chapel from 5:20 to 7 p.m. Come join us as we worship, celebrate and get to know our Lord. Call Traudi Figura at 469-1570.

AD SUBMISSIONS

The Warner Weekly is now offering the USAG Bamberg community another outlet for their classified advertising needs. We present this week's ads courtesy of the Bavarian News, but our goal is to provide you, the Bamberg community, a direct outlet for your classified needs. If you have something you want to advertise in the classified section please e-mail your submissions to bambergpao@eur.army.mil. When submitting a classified ad for publication, be sure to include your name, address and telephone number. We will not advertise commercial services, home-based businesses, or other private off-post entities.

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toughest and hardest martial arts and regulated ring sports on the planet.”

Caplin recognized the commonality between mixed martial arts and Soldiers use of hand-to-hand combat, which is why he arranged for Serdar Karaca, a German who is Thai Boxing champion, to provide some instructions at the martial arts workshop at 6 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Freedom Fitness Facility. Caplin said Muay Thai offers simple but effective combination techniques for a real stand-up fight situation.

“(The) fights are explosive, technical and are often ended with spectacular knock-outs through kicks, elbows or punches,” Caplin said.

In addition to teaching Soldiers how to implement some basic techniques, the workshop will also help service members understand the rules, so when they attend the fight they will understand how the event is scored, he said.



Courtesy photo

Serdar Karaca, a German who is Thai Boxing champion, provide some instructions at the martial arts workshop at 6 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Freedom Fitness Facility.

Hupfer said the MWR special price is available for all military community members stationed in Bavaria.

For the special MWR ticket price, call 0162-362-8309. Regular tickets can be purchase by calling 0951-23837.

Death gratuity law changes

The death gratuity is a one-time, non-taxable payment of \$100,000 to help survivors deal with the financial hardships that accompany the loss of a Soldier. It is a lump sum payment to the survivors or other individuals identified by the Soldier prior to death while on active duty or within 120 days after release from active duty if the death is due to a service-related disability. The intent is to help survivors deal with the financial hardships that accompany the loss of their Soldier.

The National Defense Authorization Act of 2008, Section 645, gave Soldiers the flexibility to distribute their \$100,000 Death Gratuity to up to ten (10) different individuals in \$10,000 increments. This new option allows Soldiers to give the death gratuity to anyone they want including Family, friends or even co-workers. All Soldiers should review their DD Form 93 (Record of Emergency Data) with their Family or any other recipients as part of normal readiness activities.

Married Soldiers must include their spouses in this process from the very beginning to ensure they are aware of their Soldier's intent. Be an adult, have an adult conversation with your spouse and tell them why you made the choice you did. When a married Soldier elects someone other than the spouse to receive any part of the death gratuity, the Army will notify the spouse by sending a "Spousal Notification" letter. However, pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5USC, §552a), the Army cannot disclose the identities of another designated beneficiary or how much of the death gratuity will go to anyone else.

"All Soldiers are required to update their DD Form 93 (Record of Emergency Data) immediately if they have not already done so", said Joe Gathers, Director of Human Resources.

For more information or assistance, contact you unit personnel office or the Military Personnel Division at 469-7522.

Installation Management Command

**SUBVERSION AND ESPIONAGE
DIRECTED AGAINST THE U.S. ARMY
(SAEDA)**

DA personnel remain attractive targets of Foreign Intelligence and Terrorist organizations as sources of defense information

Known or suspected incidents of espionage and subversion must be properly reported

DA personnel are required to receive annual SAEDA training

Force Protection Thought of the Week

Warrior Care: DoD, VA Collaborate on Disability

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WASHINGTON, Nov. 7, 2008 – The departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs are collaborating on a pilot disability evaluation system that's set to expand next year, compensation officials said.

The pilot program applies to military members who've been identified for separation under honorable conditions for service-related injuries, Samuel B. Retherford, director of DoD's officer and enlisted personnel management office, said during a recent Pentagon Channel interview.

The pilot system came about as a result of task force recommendations after reports surfaced about subpar outpatient care at Walter Reed Army Medical Center here. It addresses perceived deficiencies such as redundancy, inconsistent decisions in medical evaluations, adversarial relations between DoD and VA, and other topics, Retherford said.

"The pilot [program] attempts to address all of those recommendations," he said. Improvements in customer service and

overall efficiency are accomplished through greater collaboration between DoD and VA, he said.

The pilot program was implemented within the National Capital Region in November 2007. It's slated to expand to 15 military installations next year, Retherford said, noting about 700 people have participated so far. The expansion of the program should add about 500 people each month, he said.

Customer surveys attest to the pilot program's success so far, Retherford said.

"We want to broaden how it works in other situations" at other installations, Retherford said.

The DoD and VA military disability evaluation programs used to be managed sequential to one another, Retherford said, and it could take years for some veterans to receive disability monies and other benefits. Under the old system, he said, disagreements arose between military and VA physicians regarding medical evaluations, which affect the size of veterans' disability payments.

"There were different [evaluation] outcomes, so there was a lot of adversarial, bad feelings," between DoD and VA, Retherford acknowledged.

The pilot evaluation system is managed on a parallel structure between DoD and VA so that personnel from both agencies can collaborate on medical findings, Retherford said. Efficiencies realized through the pilot program have enabled veterans to receive their disability benefits more quickly, he said.

"The DoD and VA are both there" to help veterans through the disability evaluation pilot program, Retherford said.

A disability separation can be a high-stress event that servicemembers cannot plan for, said Thomas J. Pamperin, deputy director of VA's compensation and pension service who accompanied Retherford at the interview.

It is a great benefit to servicemembers undergoing disability evaluations to make the process more predictable and certain, Pamperin said.

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