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Operation Rising Star competition set for Ansbach

By Bianca Sowders,
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ANSBACH, Germany -- Once again the U.S. Army garrisons in the Franconia Military Community will be hosting the Army-wide talent competition, Operation Rising Star. Local winners have the chance to compete in the final round in San Antonio, Texas.

The winner of Operation Rising Star 2011, Melissa Neal, a military spouse and reserve Army sergeant, came from the Ansbach community.

"I have been singing ever since I could remember and began lessons when I was in junior high, continuing on for a few years," Neal said. "I was always in choir, show choir and musicals through high school."

Neal's rendition of "Faithfully" by Journey won her top honors of \$1,000 in cash, an all-expenses-paid recording package in Los Angeles, Calif., valued at more than \$18,000, as well as tickets to the GRAMMY Awards in February, including entry to the after party.

USAG Ansbach will host the competition rounds on four Thursday nights in a row, Sept. 6, 13, 20 and 27, all at 6:30 p.m. at the Terrace Playhouse on Bleidorn Kaserne. Soldiers downrange will be able to vote via the Internet for the semi-finals on Sept. 20. Their votes will



Bob McElroy
2011 Operation Rising Star winner Melissa Neal performs in the local finals at the Terrace Playhouse in September 2011. Neal moved on to the finals in San Antonio to win the Army-wide competition.

help determine the Ansbach winner.

The audience at the live performances gets to vote for their favorite participants on site.

Audience members can receive extra ballots by purchasing snacks at the theater. Votes can be placed in the name of a unit or private organization, which will compete for the Spirit Award -- a \$300 cash prize.

The audience can expect lots of entertainment in between the performances, including raffles and trivia games. Admission to the four performances is free, but since there is limited seating, reservations are recommended and can be made by calling the Terrace Playhouse at 0981-183-7636.

Prizes will be awarded to the local first-, second- and third-place winners. First place will receive \$500 and advancement to the 2012 Army-Wide Finals; second place gets \$250; and \$100 will be awarded for third place.

Participants must have entered by the first round; late entries cannot be accepted. Contestants must be Active Duty, National Guard or Reserve from any branch of service, or a family member of the aforementioned and 18 years or older by Nov. 13 with a valid military ID card. Application forms and rules for the local competitions are available for download at www.OpRisingStar.com or at the Community Activity Center on Storck and at the Von Steuben Concierge on Bismarck Kaserne. Applications must be turned in to the Community Activity Center on Storck

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Club supports Bamberg community, offers opportunities

By Sarah Equils, Bamberg Spouses and Civilian's Club President

BAMBERG, Germany -- The Bamberg Spouses and Civilians' Club has one goal: support the community. The BSCC achieves this goal by hosting community events, awarding welfare grants and scholarships and offering fundraising opportunities to Family Readiness Groups.

The BSCC plans its own events in addition to partnering up with other organizations. The upcoming Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Dodgeball Tournament in Bamberg is a great example of interorganizational teamwork.

"The BSCC will be running concessions at the tournament, but instead of keeping the profit we are offering a percentage to FRGs based on the number of volunteers," said Saree Allison-Clopper, BSCC activities chair.

The BSCC is giving each FRG an opportunity to fundraise as opposed to competing for business. There are two three-hour shifts available on both Sept. 14 and Sept. 15.

The BSCC will host its first bingo on September 7 at the Warner Conference Center. Bingo is one of the club's best-attended events and a highlight in the community. At this first bingo there will be some big prizes raffled off, including an Xbox and iPod, to start the new BSCC year off.

New this year, trips will be offered for members only. The first trip is on Sept. 8 and members will travel by train to Munich for a walking tour, food and shopping.

The club will also hold its first luncheon on Sept. 10. First Vice President Jessica Lipari has been planning this

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Splash Bash, fun in the sun



USAG Schweinfurt

Members of the Schweinfurt community gather for fun in the sun at this year's Splash Bash. The event marked the end of the summer for many of our younger community members who started school on Monday. Kids, parents and those young at heart were able to enjoy each other's company, listen to music from the Donny Vox Band and splash around in the pools for an appropriate farewell to summer.

VFW Ladies Auxiliary to host 9/11 Remembrance Day Run

By Ladies Auxiliary to the Schweinfurt Veterans of Foreign Wars

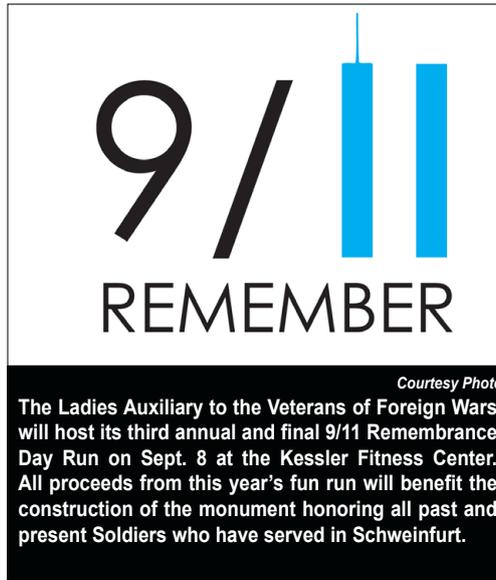
SCHWEINFURT, Germany -- The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars here will host its third annual and final 9/11 Remembrance Day Run on Sept. 8. The run will start at the Kessler Fitness Center.

The LAX has been organizing this run for the past three years to remember the sacrifices made by the Sept. 11 victims and first responders.

All proceeds from this year's run will benefit the construction of a monument that honors all Soldiers who have served in Schweinfurt both past and present.

According to Hilda Wojack, a member of the Ladies Auxiliary, the monument will be located behind the Schweinfurt Musikschule across from the church on Schultesstrasse near the city center of Schweinfurt.

Construction of the monument, designed by



Sören Ernst, has been started, but the statue carved by Steff Bauer has not yet been placed within the monument. The unveiling of the monument will take place later this year on Veterans Day.

The run will consist of a 9.11-kilometer run, 5-kilometer run and a 3-kilometer run. T-shirts will again be available for \$10 with registration and slap-bracelets for \$5.

Pre-registration will begin the last week of August. Participants can register the same day starting at 8 a.m. Please no bicycles or rollerblades. Dogs are allowed only if they are on a leash.

Come and help leave a U.S. armed forces footprint in Schweinfurt. Any donation toward the monument is greatly appreciated.

For more information about the run, please contact Hilda Wojack at wojackfive@hotmail.com or for more information about the monument, please contact Mary Ritzmann at maryritz@gmail.com.

The Ladies Auxiliary is an auxiliary to the VFW and was founded to help volunteer efforts in 1914. For more information, or to join the VFW or the Ladies Auxiliary visit <http://schweinfurt.vfweurope.net/>.

Women's Equality Day run draws large crowd in Bamberg

By Staff Sgt. David Sala,
391st Combat Sustainment Support Brigade Public Affairs

BAMBERG, Germany -- The community on Warner Barracks recognized Women's Equality Day by conducting a fun run on Aug. 24.

Almost 300 community members participated in the run. The 391st Combat Sustainment Support Brigade had the largest participation among the units, with 167 Soldiers, who showed up with their family members, pets and in fun costumes.

The run started with the playing of the German and American national anthems, followed by a prayer and some inspirational words from Lt. Col. Michelle L. Bienias, Warner Barracks garrison commander.

Military Police blocked streets on post because of the large turnout for the run.

Sgt. Douglas Aldridge, a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) Specialist working in the S3 shop in 391st CSSB, said "I was planning on walking with my daughter during this, but she wants to keep (WOMEN continued on Page 4)



Heidi Sanders

Community members gather in the Freedom Fitness Facility prior to the start of the Women's Equality Day 5-kilometer fun run and walk on Friday. The 391st Combat Sustainment Support Brigade had 167 Soldiers show up with their family members and pets to participate. Lt. Col. Michelle L. Bienias started off the event with some inspirational words.



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Ansbach Bicycle Rodeo teaches parents, children bike safety

By Ta'Vares Hickey,
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ANSBACH, Germany -- On Aug. 24, the U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach Safety Office, along with Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, the American Red Cross and Military Police, hosted its first Bicycle Rodeo at Bleidorn Housing's super playground.

The event consisted of training on how to inspect a bicycle for defects, properly ride a bicycle in Germany according to both U.S. and German laws and how to ensure helmets are approved and worn properly while riding a bicycle.

An egg drop was conducted with all the children first throwing raw eggs onto a tarp wherein the eggs obligingly broke, and then throwing eggs in bubble wrap onto the same tarp.

The eggs did not break, which showed the significance of properly wearing an approved bicycle helmet. The children thoroughly enjoyed the egg drop and learned an important safety lesson at the same time.

The parents and children were given training by the Red Cross on how to properly render first aid in case of injury, and then the children and parents got a chance to dress each other's wounds with first aid supplies such as gauze and band aids.

Although it rained, there was wonderful turnout for training and a chance to ride on a truly super European roadway obstacle course.

If you and your children haven't been to this



Participants of the USAG Ansbach Bicycle Rodeo get ready for a spin around the course under the guidance of Ta'Vares Hickey from the Safety Office. *Manfred Meyer*



Cassandra Wyatt

Luz Barreto, an American Red Cross volunteer, plays the injured victim being treated by her daughter Luz at the first aid station during the Ansbach Bicycle Rodeo. Jay Wilson, American Red Cross volunteer and CPR/First Aid instructor, helps out. Watching on the left is David Hanrahan, the field office assistant from Ansbach American Red Cross. The Red Cross is always looking for volunteers to help out at its many events.

super playground with the aforementioned bicycle course, please give it a try.

Thanks to all who came out to support this event. We would like to give a special thanks to Community Bank, Service Credit Union and the Commissary for their contributions.

We look forward to seeing you next year for an even larger training event and fun time.

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first luncheon.

"We are hosting the first luncheon at no cost to attract new members and peak interest in the club," Lipari said.

It seems a little known fact that Warner Barracks Thrift Shop is managed by the BSCC. The proceeds from the Thrift Shop are returned to the community through welfare grants and scholarships.

Scholarships are offered to high school and continuing education students and are awarded twice a year. Scholarship applications can be picked up at the Thrift Shop starting in September.

Welfare grants are awarded eight times a year,

at the beginning of each month, except January. Organizations must fill out an application for approval by the BSCC's welfare committee. This process takes about 30 days.

"Many organizations do not realize they are eligible to receive funds from the BSCC," said Cheryl Hennigen, BSCC welfare chair. "It is always worth it to apply."

Welfare applications are available now at the Thrift Shop or by email, BSCCWelfareCommittee@gmail.com.

In the past BSCC, has allowed FRGs to apply for welfare grants, however, this year will be different. Instead, FRGs can send their members to volunteer at the Thrift Shop to earn money for the FRG. FRG volunteers simply fill out an application at the Thrift

Shop and submit the hours they can work. At the end of the month, the hours worked are totaled and funds will be paid to the FRG.

"I hope FRGs take advantage of this opportunity to earn money to support their Soldiers and family members," said Christa Roney, Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Private Organization Coordinator.

Additional events BSCC has planned in the upcoming months include Masterchef Bamberg Cookoff and Bunko on Sept. 22 and a Breast Cancer Awareness Bra-Auction on Oct. 20.

For more information regarding BSCC, visit <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Bamberg-Spouses-and-Civilians-Club/165617813497986> or email BSCCPresident@gmail.com.

New training prepares Soldiers for civilian life

VILSECK, Germany -- Post-military life for service members can be difficult. Leaving the sequestered culture of the military may presents challenges such as finding jobs, obtaining health care and translating military jargon into civilian locution.

The Transition Assistance Program, or TAP, part of the Army Career...

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Three-event APFT retained pending baseline Soldier physical readiness study

FORT EUSTIS, Va. -- The Army will retain the current three-event Army Physical Fitness Test, pending a study to determine the best method to measure baseline Soldier physical readiness. U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command found that implementing changes to how the Army assesses physical fitness...

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Garrison, school staff ready for school; safety top priority

By Nathan Van Schaik,
USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs

SCHWEINFURT, Germany -- Garrison and school officials simulated the pick-up and drop-off of students at both schools Aug. 23 capping off a month-long effort to create the safest conditions for students just as school gets set to begin.

"The garrison is personally involved with ensuring our children's safety and we have assessed the risks, mitigated these factors and are on target to start the school year off safely," said Garrison Commander, Lt. Col. Michael Runey, at Thursday's safety rehearsal.

At the rehearsal, the garrison commander personally walked through the motions of a student on his first day of school, both at the high school and elementary middle school. Bus procedures were reviewed with Darryl Jones, the garrison's transportation specialist. School principals and Military Police were just some of those brought into the dialogue to discuss safety issues and possible friction points. Worse-case scenarios were played out, standard operating procedures reviewed and duties assigned to Installation Support Teams.

"DoDDS (Department of Defense Dependents Schools) and the garrison have planned, coordinated, synced and executed a rehearsal drill to prepare the schools, community and garrison for the beginning of school," said Beth Potter, who serves as the liaison between the schools and garrison.

For the past month representatives from both Schweinfurt High School and Schweinfurt Elementary Middle School, the Directorate of Public Works, the Safety Office, the Logistics Office, Army Community Service and the Directorate of Emergency Services have been beefing up safety measures for school students.

The garrison's DPW crew, for example, began installing new signs throughout Askren clearly indicating bus zones, no parking areas and pedestrian zones. Eddie Sauer, of the garrison's safety office, positioned standing cut-outs throughout Askren Manor drawing attention to would-be speeders.

"Whenever everyone is on board with a shared goal, we set ourselves up for a successful and safe school year," said the garrison's top cop and Garrison Provost Marshal Capt. Liz Mooney. But vigilance doesn't stop there. Safety is a 24/7 effort, Mooney said.

"Our garrison military police are committed to providing the safest possible environment for our children during the school year," Mooney said. "That's why we're taking measures now to protect students going



Nathan Van Schaik

The cutout on the left, one of eight on Askren Manor, warns drivers to slow down near the commissary and the Schweinfurt Elementary Middle School. It's just one of the safety measures garrison and school officials recently implemented in an effort to start the school year off safely.

to and from school at the Schweinfurt Elementary Middle School.

Safety and security officers — not to be confused with bus monitors — will ride all school buses in accordance with Homeland Security regulations. And during school hours, the garrison's MPs will be cracking down on people speeding through the 10 kilometer-per-hour school zone adjacent to SEMS.

Back-to-School Safety Reminders:

- High school students walking from Askren Manor to school MUST use the cross walk.
- Wearing headphones on post is prohibited.
- MPs will be cracking down on people speeding through the school zone adjacent to SEMS. During school hours the speed limit through Askren Manor is 10 KPH.
- Helmets are required for bike riders, skateboarders or anyone else on wheels.
- Pet owners must ensure dogs are on leashes at all times.
- Volunteers are needed to serve as crossing guards at SEMS. Donate at least 1.5 hours a week. If interested, contact Volunteer Coordinator David Blakeman at 09721-96-6933. To apply online, just search for "Elementary Middle School Crossing Guard" on the Army's [Volunteer Management Information System](#). For details, check out the Jolt Weekly for volunteer position descriptions.

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Heidi Sanders

Dressed in a banana suit, Staff Sgt. Mark Apan, with the 391st Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, takes part in the Women's Equality Day fun run on Friday. Approximately 300 people participated in the run.

running.

His daughter, Alexis, said, "I want to beat my daddy to the finish line".

After the run, refreshments were served.

One of the volunteers, Spc. Kyle Althouse, a wheeled vehicle mechanic with the 391st Headquarters and Headquarters Company, who was handing out snowcones said, "I wanted to show my appreciation because woman's equality, is very important to me. I never like how women have been treated in the past, and I wanted to be here to show my support and hand out some snowcones."

Soldiers and family members from the 391st received seven out of the 15 awards handed out.

After the award ceremony, Bienias cut the cake.

Everyone was free to enjoy refreshments and congratulate the winners and, most of all, leave with a feeling that they participated in raising awareness for woman's equality.

Bamberg youth show off skate boarding skills

By Heidi Sanders,
USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

Children and teenagers in Bamberg spent Saturday morning dropping in from a quarter pipe, popping ollies and performing kickflips. Ten youth participated in a skate boarding competition, which took place at the Bamberg skate park.

The event, which was open to participants age 9-18, was sponsored by Bamberg's Child, Youth and School Services, along with Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers.

The competition consisted of two, 90-second rounds, in which skaters had a chance to show off their skills to the judges. The judges awarded competitors points, and those with the highest scores at the end of both rounds, were awarded prizes.

In the 9-13 age category, Matt Padua, 12, won



Heidi Sanders

During a practice session at Saturday's skate boarding competition, Nicolas Espinoza, 9, seated, gives advice to Alessia Magee, 11, as Blake Brooks, 9, skates down the quarter pipe. Alessia was the only female to take part in the competition.

first place; Evan Costner, 11, finished in second; and Devin Gamble, 12, took third place. In the 14-18 age group, Bryson Alleyne, 16, took first place; the second place finisher was Jeremiah Denk, 17; and John Bechinina, 15, finished in third.

DeWayne Gamble, Child, Youth and School Services Youth Sports and Fitness director in Bamberg, said the competition was the first of its kind for Warner Barracks. "We never recognize our skaters," Gamble said. "They kind of go unseen. It is their time to be seen."

Gamble said the competition was advertised at military communities throughout Bavaria, but only skaters from Bamberg participated. The event was free, and all participants received a T-shirt, which were donated by Titus, a skate boarding shop in Bamberg.

Representatives from Bamberg's Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers were on hand to help out by providing refreshments and music throughout the competition. BOSS has adopted the Bamberg skate park and spent the day before the competition sprucing up the venue.

Jimmy Carswell, BOSS president, said members of BOSS found out about the skate boarding competition from a poster advertising the event at the park and decided to help CYSS run the event. Carswell said he appreciated the help of the volunteers to make the event special for the youth.

"They are loving it," he said. "The kids are having so much fun."

Evan, the second place finisher in his age



Heidi Sanders

Matt Padua, 12, rides his skateboard on a quarter pipe during the skate boarding competition on Saturday at Bamberg's skate park. Matt won first-place in his age group.

group, said Saturday was his first skate boarding competition since he picked up the sport about a year ago. "I've always wanted to be in one," Evan said.

Evan said he didn't have a routine planned out before the competition. "I just do the best I can and focus on the tricks and landing," he said. He said he had fun at the competition and hopes this was just the first of many he will compete in.

Alessia Magee, 11, was the only female competitor on Saturday. "It actually feels cool," Alessia said when asked how it feels to compete in a male-dominated sport. "People wonder, 'Wow, a girl skating.'"

Alessia said many of the skaters competing on Saturday knew each other before the competition and enjoyed supporting each other.

"I think it is spectacular seeing all the skaters learning new things," she said.

ACE Training to take place in Ansbach, Schweinfurt

By Esther Otis, Ansbach Army Substance Abuse Prevention volunteer

ANSBACH, Germany-- You probably have a few Ask, Care and Escort (ACE) suicide intervention cards in your wallet right now, reminding you to ask, care and escort your buddy when they are in need.

During Army Suicide Prevention month, ACE cards will be handed out at post entrance gates. This September, you'll also have an opportunity to receive hands-on ACE program training.

Join Army Substance Abuse and Prevention on Sept. 5 and 6 for an ACE Suicide Prevention/Intervention Training in Ansbach and Schweinfurt, respectively.

In the peer-to-peer program, learn about basic intervention skills to

manage individuals at risk of suicide. U.S. Army Garrison Commander Col. Kelly J. Lawler is scheduled as the opening speaker for both the Ansbach and Schweinfurt trainings. These trainings are free, and open to the community.

USAG Bamberg will also have ACE Training on Sept. 5 at Preston Hall with Dr. Joy Summerlin, U.S. Army Europe well-being program manager, as a guest speaker.

For more information, in Ansbach, call 09802-83-1710, or visit the ASAP office in Katterbach in Building 5817, Wing B.

In Bamberg, call 0951-300-171, or visit the ASAP office on Warner Barracks in Building 7251.

In Schweinfurt, call 09721-96-1710 or visit the ASAP office on Conn Barracks in Building 54 on the second floor.

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and the Concierge at the Von Steuben on Bismarck by Sept. 5.

The Terrace Playhouse is looking for volunteers for the performance nights to collect votes, sell drinks and snacks – a food handler's certificate is required – and work as light and sound technicians. Everyone is welcome and no experience is necessary. Helpers will receive an official T-shirt and other incentives.

For more information, call the Terrace Playhouse at 0981-183-7636.

Preparing to move: A claims examiner's perspective

Editor's Note: This article is the first in a three-part series to help Soldiers and their family members in the Franconian Military prepare for a move. Stay tuned for the next article in the series about having property delivered.

By Tina Johnson, USAG Ansbach Claims Office

ANSBACH, Germany -- The Claims Office would like to give advice on things that can be done to make a Permanent Change of Station move a little easier. These tips also will help if and when it comes time to file a claim for damaged or missing items after a move.

First and foremost, pack small, expensive items in carry-on luggage. Next, check to see if you are covered for the value of your property. The maximum amount paid by the Army is \$40,000. The moving company's limit is \$50,000 or \$4 per pound, with a minimum of \$5,000. If this coverage is not enough, talk to your renter's or homeowner's insurance company about their limits and getting the necessary coverage.

If you own a large number of any category of small items, for example DVDs or video games, you may want to split them between your shipments, because there are maximum amounts that the Army will pay for various categories of property include in one shipment.

Purchase receipts or other papers that document type and value of property should not be shipped by your movers. Keep them with you.

Preparing for your move

Take photos showing the contents each room, each closet, each bookcase, etc. If anything or everything you own goes missing, you will want to use those photos to remind yourself and the moving company what exactly you own.

If you also take photos of your furniture and any other large items, those photos may help to show the style of what you own and the general condition of those items. For example, if a box of clothes goes missing, you need to know and prove how many T-shirts you owned.

Walk around your place and make a list of all your high-value items. A good rule of thumb is anything worth more than \$100 is a high-value item, not including big bulky furniture.

Be specific on your list. Do not write "jewelry" – write down exactly what you have, including model numbers, serial numbers, and approximate value. For example, write "three-karat diamond ring worth \$3,000," or "Magnavox seven-speaker surround sound system including Blue Ray player, model number PH2940, serial number GH324953, worth approximately \$800."

Have everyone in your family make a list of what would really bother them if it was damaged, destroyed or disappeared – called your "special item list." For as many of those items as possible, pack them in your suitcase,

instead of having them shipped by a moving company.

When the movers arrive to pack

Designate one person in your family to be in charge, but have as many people as possible at your move.

As soon as the movers arrive, walk around with the mover-in-charge, pointing out everything that is a high-value item. Have a copy of this list for the moving company. Make sure the high-value inventory list includes everything from your list and all the details.

Watch the movers pack every item and speak up if something does not appear to be packed properly. Making sure everything is packed properly will save you many headaches later. Make sure everyone pays close attention to the packing of the items on their special item list.

Watch what items go into each box and read the inventory description for that item. If there are clothes and knick knacks, make sure the inventory does not only list clothes for that box.

If you have an excessive amount of CDs or DVDs, count them and make sure the amount is listed on the inventory by the packing crew. For example, the inventory should say "130 DVDs" instead of "Box of DVDs."

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Teacher Feature - Mr. Bassett

By Ansbach Middle High School staff

ANSBACH, Germany -- James Bassett grew up in Montana and eastern Washington and graduated from the University of Washington with a degree in atmospheric physics. During his career as an educator, he has taught math, physics, computer science, robotics and video-game programming.

In the past eighteen years, he worked in education and software development in the Seattle area, serving as software mentor for FIRST ROBOTICS ORGANIZATION (team 2903 in Arlington, Wash.).

"I have a very patient wife, a super-smart dog and two twenty-something sons (living in the US)," Bassett said. "My hobbies include jazz performance on upright bass, Latin-American music, dance, and ukulele!" He hopes to begin a robotics program in the future.



Mr. James Bassett - new to Ansbach Middle/High School. Subjects: Applied Technology, Physics and Principles of Engineering

We would like to welcome Mr. Bassett to Ansbach and wish him a successful and rewarding year.

Lemonade on the Lawn



Jessica Lipari

Sgt. 1st Class Lonnell Thompson, 16th Sustainment Brigade, prepares to make more lemonade for the Bamberg Elementary School's annual Lemonade on the Lawn on Monday. Lemonade on the Lawn marks the first day of school for students entering grades 1-6. It provides an opportunity for parents to come and meet the students teachers for the upcoming school year. The 16th SB is the sponsoring unit for BES.

Schweinfurt welcomes new elementary middle school teachers

By Margaret Gotheridge,
USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs Office

SCHWEINFURT, Germany -- The community here welcomes 13 new teachers to the Schweinfurt Elementary/Middle School and a new elementary school assistant principal for the 2012-2013 school year.

New teachers will be covering grades kindergarten up through eighth grade, with some specializing in specific subjects like math, science and English as a second language.

SEMS has acquired a new assistant principal, Dr. Jacqueline Ashmore, who joins the team from Gwinnett County Schools in Georgia.

Ashmore arrives with a doctorate in curriculum and instruction and is a veteran teacher who



Margaret Gotheridge
The new teachers at the Schweinfurt Elementary Middle School gather together for a photo op as they begin the new school year. From left: Jeanette M. Jones, Clara Broomhead, Jennifer Leon, Corinne Vail, Patricia Plunkett, Jim Vail, Monika Liebergesell, Peter Watt (bottom), Carla Nau-Redman, Jennell Lambert, Denise Ramos Fuentecilla, Sarah Watt and Tomyriam Crutches.

has taught second through fifth grades.

Students had the opportunity to meet their new instructors on Aug. 24, at the student orientation.

For more information, contact the School Liaison Officer or check the Schweinfurt Community Calendar under the "Schools and Kids" section.

The last school year will end in the summer of 2014 prior to a base transformation that will see U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt's eventual drawdown and closure by October of 2014, the anticipated closure date.

New Schweinfurt high school teachers share their stories

By Spc. Latoya Dallas,
USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs Office

SCHWEINFURT, Germany -- Schweinfurt High School students headed back to school Monday, with two new teachers, Linda Corr and Quintin Geier, both history and social studies teachers.

Linda Corr

I grew up in Oklahoma and received my Bachelor's degree in Education and Master's degree in Education at Southwestern Oklahoma State University. I taught in Oklahoma for 14 years before coming to Japan in 2002. I taught 10 years in Zama and then came here.

My teaching philosophy is pretty simple: Find where the students are and take them toward where they need to be. I absolutely love teaching history because the past is filled with fascinating, terrifying, creative and sometimes just odd people.

I like to talk about cause and effect and the links among history and other endeavors such as art, music, psychology and sociology. The coolest thing is that history is being constantly written — maybe even on Twitter or emails sent



Spc. Latoya Dallas
From left, Linda Corr and Quintin Geier, both history and social studies teachers. The two are new to Schweinfurt High School.

by my own students!

I'm delighted to be here in Schweinfurt, and I look forward to the history this community will make in the next two years.

Quintin Geier

My name is Quintin Geier and I graduated from Ball State University in 2011 cum laude with a double major in history and social studies education. I was fortunate to receive a job, after I graduated, at Muncie Southside High School

teaching five world history classes. I also coached football and baseball for one year.

In brief, my educational philosophy is one of high standards, structured discipline and rigorous engagement in relevant content material. I believe in fostering not only student success, but also student satisfaction in their learning experience. I love my area of study and also my profession and enjoy sharing my enthusiasm by delving deep into content knowledge to engage students on a more meaningful level. By bringing in various sources and perspectives, I feel that I can approach topics in a way that is unique for students, giving them a broader perception of the world we live in today.

I love being active and look forward to participating in sports and other school functions at Schweinfurt High School. I enjoy traveling and furthering my understanding of our world's history. I am also eager to be part of the German culture and wish to learn the language while I am here.

I am very excited to begin my experience at Schweinfurt High School and look forward to contributing to the United States military and their families serving overseas.

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If you do not agree with the pre-existing damage, speak up. Make the moving company show you the pre-existing damage. If there are light scratches on the top of your kitchen table — and there are on most kitchen tables — make the movers write "light." If your table gets a new scratch during the moving process and the inventory lists that it had scratches, then you might not be able to get compensation for the damage.

There are special arrangements that must be made if you are moving a plasma TV. Stop by and get a flyer on this from the Claims Office.

When the movers are done packing and loading everything, you will have to sign the inventory. Review the inventory in detail. M

ake sure it identifies all items packed and all the pre-existing damage listed is accurately. Keep a copy of the inventory in a safe place — not packed away by the movers.

For more details on how to prepare smartly for your move, please contact the Ansbach Claims Office 09802-83-2104 or 09802-83-3961. For the Bamberg office, call 0951-300-8411. In Schweinfurt, call 09721-96-8801 or 09721-96-8809.

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Franconia Military Community Announcements

Health Services Available

The Health Clinic will be open during the morning of the U.S. Army Europe Safety Stand Down Day on Sept. 20. For more information, call the clinic in Bamberg at 0951-300-1750, Grafenwoehr at 09641-83-7152, Hohenfels at 09472-83-4565/3117, Illesheim at 09841-83-4512, Katterbach at 09802-83-3398, Schweinfurt at 09721-96-7901 and Vilseck at 09662-83-2882.

Care Experience

Returning an Army Provider Satisfaction Survey can generate money for the local health clinic. Positive responses to the questions that generate money for the clinic are great, but honest responses about the customer experience is necessary to improve the clinic's quality of service. Beneficiaries who do not receive a survey within six weeks of a visit to a local clinic should ensure their Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System is up to date.

CID Seeks Qualified Soldiers

The U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, commonly known as CID, is recruiting qualified Soldiers who are interested in pursuing a career as a federal law-enforcement officer. For more information, visit http://www.cid.army.mil/join_CID.html.

Army Suggestion Program

The Army Suggestion Program encourages Soldiers, civilians and any concerned individuals to submit ideas regarding how the Army can increase efficiency and cut costs. Approved suggestions are assessed on how much they save the Army and can earn individuals thousands of dollars. For more information, or to submit an idea, Army Knowledge Online registered users can visit the ASP website at <http://asp.hqda.pentagon.mil/public/>. Those unable to access AKO can submit a DA Form 1045 to their installation coordinator.

DEERS Validation

Soldiers are responsible for ensuring Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System information is updated. Please see the ID card section to update your DEERS information.

OneSource Mobile

Army OneSource is now available for smart phone browsers. The launch of a mobile device version will

Recycling Fact

Every ton of newspaper recycled saves enough energy to power a TV for 31 hours.

optimize Army OneSource the mobile experience for visitors. Visit www.myarmyonesource.com today.

Get EFMP Registered

Is your Soldier coming back from downrange? If your Soldier is receiving orders to another location, it is not too early to start your Exceptional Family Member Program paperwork. Family members can start the paperwork now. Your local Army Community Services EFMP manager can assist in determining what you need to do. Remember, if you have someone registered in EFMP, the registration has to be updated every three years or when the condition changes.

Sexual Assault

Your Sexual Assault Response Coordinator is available 24 hours a day. Call 0162-510-2917 for the 24-hour hotline.

Pre-Separation Briefing

Planning to move from Soldier to civilian? Take advantage of the transition services offered by the Army Career and Alumni Program, such as a Department of Labor two-and-a-half day job assistance workshop, resume preparation assistance and information about veterans' benefits. Make an appointment to attend the mandatory ACAP Pre-Separation Briefing; offered weekly and about an hour long. Separating Soldiers can start the ACAP process one year before separating. Soldiers who will be retiring can start two years out from their projected retirement date.

Trial Defense Services

If you're a Soldier and you are questioned by law enforcement, Criminal Investigation Division or members of your command about suspected acts of misconduct, you have the absolute right to remain silent. You have the right to refuse to answer any question, even from your commander and you have the right to talk to an attorney. If questioned, you should immediately demand to speak to an attorney. As a Soldier, you are entitled to free consultation and representation by a military defense counsel. All communications with a trial defense attorney are privileged and will not be released to your command. Let a U.S. Army trial defense attorney help you. For more information, come speak with a free trial defense attorney.

Teen Stress

The National Military Family Association created a kit to give the people in military teens' lives a way to help them manage stress and affirm the positive aspects of military life. To obtain a copy of the tool kit and learn more, visit <https://www.myarmyonesource.com/News/2010/07/OperationPurple>.

Involved Consideration

Missed appointments diminish a medical facility's ability to provide efficient health care. The next time you cannot make your medical appointment, please be considerate and cancel your appointment. We need your involvement to provide better care.

Scout Program

Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars selects three young people — of the Boy or Girl Scouts, Sea

Scouts or Venturing Crew — who have demonstrated practical citizenship in school, scouting and the community. The first-place winner receives a \$5,000 award, the second-place winner receives a \$3,000 award and the third-place winner receives \$1,000. For more information, visit <http://www.vfw.org/Community/Scout-of-the-Year-Scholarship/>.

PTA Scholarships

Apply for European Parent Teacher Association scholarships. For more information, visit <http://europeanptaonline.org/EPTAScholarship.aspx>.

Post 911 GI Bill

Take advantage of your military benefits. Earn a degree or skill with your Post 911 GI Bill. Find out more about your benefits by visiting <http://www.gibill.va.gov/>.

Edelweiss Resort

Ongoing specials and packages Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany. This full-scale resort and alpine lodge is in the heart of the Bavarian Alps and ski country. The hotel is part of USAG Garmisch with nearby AAFES shopping and gas facilities. There are often deals and package specials available. For more, visit www.edelweisslodgeandresort.com.

Utility Tax Relief Services

Tax Relief Office offers a new service for U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach, Bamberg and Schweinfurt customers. With the implementation of the Utility Avoidance Program customers can sign up and save 19 percent tax on their electricity, gas and water bills. For more information, call the Warner Barracks' tax relief office at 0951-300-1780, Leward Barracks' Tax Relief Office at 09721-96-1780, Bismark Kaserne's Tax Relief Office at 09802-83-1780 or Storck Barracks' Tax Relief Office at 09841-83-4553.

Family Advocacy Programs

Army Community Services' Family Advocacy Program is here to provide help and support by offering a New Parent Support Program, Newborn Network, play group, parenting classes, communication classes, victim advocacy and anger/stress management classes. Contact your local ACS for dates and class schedules.

Immediate Appointments

Are you tired of waiting on hold while scheduling a medical appointment at health clinic? With TRICARE Online, you don't have to wait on hold. You can schedule appointments, refill prescriptions and manage your health needs better. Register today at www.tricareonline.com. To learn more, visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7VeUlyTMa4>.

Vaccines aren't forever... make sure your child is STILL protected

- Protection from childhood vaccines wears off over time
- Older kids need vaccination against additional diseases such as meningococcal disease and human papillomavirus.

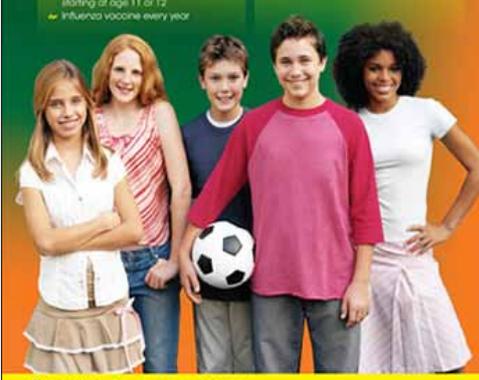
Preteen and teenage boys and girls (ages 11-19) need these vaccines:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Tdap) booster at age 11 or 12
- Meningococcal disease (MCV4) vaccine at age 11 or 12 with a booster at age 16
- Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine series (three shots over six months) starting at age 11 or 12
- Influenza vaccine every year

Get the vaccines:

- when your child starts middle school or
- at yearly health checkups or
- during sports/athletic/other activities

During office visits, be sure to ask your healthcare provider if there are any vaccines your child needs.



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Ansbach Community Announcements

Please send all announcements to Ansbach Public Affairs at usarmy.ansbach.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is having a Texas Hold 'Em Tournament on Sept. 15 at the Storck Community Activity Center on the third floor in the Recreation Center. Advance tickets are available from BOSS. \$20 for pre-registration and \$25 for entry at the door. Doors open at 11 a.m. and the tournament begins at 12 p.m. Buy-ins are cash only. Volunteers are also required for this event. For more information, call 09802-83-2921.

Ansbach Spouses and Civilians' Club

Ansbach Spouses and Civilians' Club will have a super sign up on Sept. 17 at the Von Steuben from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Come out and see what ASCC has to offer you and what events are planned for this year. Vendors, crafters, social groups and others will be onsite to provide information and sell products. Children are welcome.

Operation Better Half

The 12th Combat Aviation Brigade will host a Combat Spouses Day Operation Better Half on Sept. 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Franken Kasern. Registration is now open for four-person teams. The cost is \$20 per person and includes a T-shirt and lunch. Register and give payment to your Family Readiness Support Assistant. For more information, call 0162-297-0353.

Operation Rising Star

Operation Rising Star is back. Sign up for the All-Army Talent Competition and win the chance for the ultimate recording experience. U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach's round one competition will take place on Sept. 6 at the Terrace Playhouse. Advance sign-up at the Concierge in the Von Steuben or Storck Community Activity Center is required by Sept. 5. Round two will take place on Sept. 13 and round three on Sept. 20, the finals will take place on Sept. 22. Open to Soldiers and family members 18 and over. For more information, call 0981-183-7636.

Weight Loss Challenge

Weight Loss Challenge participants find your little black dress for the Weight Loss Challenge Award Ceremony on Sept. 7 at 6 p.m. at the Von Steuben Community Center on Bismark. Cocktail attire and Families are welcome. RSVP by Aug. 31 to sheila.t.ayala-morales.naf@mail.mil or call 09820-83-2810.

Help Wanted for Bavaria Plays

The city of Ansbach is looking for volunteer support during the premiere of Bavaria Plays on Sept. 8. Adult volunteers are needed, working in shifts for the set-up on Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. until around 10 p.m., as well as on Sept. 8 from 7-11 p.m. to pack up equipment. Mentors are also needed for each of the play stations on Sept. 8 from 9 a.m. 7 p.m. The goal of the event is to bring the entire Ansbach community closer while playing games. The event is open to all, regardless of age and is free of charge. Bavaria Plays features some 1,000 different fun games around the pedestrian and market square, set up near City Hall, as well as at the Bruecken Center. For volunteer registration and more information, call 0981-183-1600.

Bleidorn Community Library

Wondering how to get your next library book with the Bleidorn Community Library closed for renovations? For interlibrary loan requests or recordings, phone the Bleidorn Library at 09811-83-1740 and have a staff member place the request for you. You can arrange a pickup at Storck Barracks or the Bleidorn Library. The automated interlibrary loan system will be re-enabled once library renovations are complete.

Help Wanted

The Katterbach Thrift Store is in dire need of volunteers. If you have some time to donate, we would really appreciate it. Our hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 10-2 and Thursday from 12-6. Any time you have to spare would be helpful.

Arts and Crafts Sale

Fifteen percent off all frames and engraving supplies through Sept. 1. Building 5262 on Barton Barracks next to Vehicle Inspection. For more information, email ansbachartscrafts@eur.army.mil or call 0981-183-7627.

Closures and Changes

Fuel Pump Closure

The Transportation Motor Pool Fuel Pump, Building 6644, at Storck Barracks is closed until further notice due to a malfunction.

Stork Barracks Vehicle Registration Closure

The Vehicle Registration Office will temporarily suspend the Storck Barracks Vehicle Registration Office operations. All vehicle registration operations will be provided at the main office on Barton Barracks, 3rd floor, Room 303, Building 5254. For more information, call 09811-83-7892.

Youth and Teens

Coaches Needed

Child, Youth and School Services Youth Sports and Fitness need coaches for bowling, soccer, football and cheerleading. Head coaches own children will pay no cost during the same playing season, assistant coaches first child will play at no cost during the same playing season. Discounts will be reimbursed mid-season. For more information, call the CYS Services Sports and Fitness Barton Office at 09811-83-7866 or Storck Office at 09841-83-4849 or Parent Central Services Katterbach at 09802-83-2533 or Storck at

US ARMY GARRISON ANSBACH



SEP 7 • 6 P.M.

VON STEUBEN COMMUNITY CENTER
COCKTAIL ATTIRE • FAMILIES WELCOME

09841-83-4880.

Part-Day Preschool Care

Storck Child Development Center has part-day preschool care available. This program is designed for preschoolers ages 3-5 and allows them to socialize with their peers. The program runs from September to June from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and parents have the choice of enrolling their preschoolers in two, three or five day schedules. Spaces are limited so sign up now at Storck Parent Central Services. For more information, call 09841-83-4880.

Family Child Care Opportunities

Looking for hourly, part-day or full-day child care? Katterbach in-home Family Child Care providers have slots available to meet your child care needs. For availability, please contact Parent Central Services at 09802-83-2533. Interested in providing child care from your home? Child, Youth School Services is recruiting for Family Child Care providers (living in government quarters) to run a child care business from home. Some of the benefits include; free training with curriculum beneficial to your own children, FCC Certification is beneficial worldwide, easy transfer of credits to next duty station and work

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2012, 2013

Important Dates

All Schools	
August 27	First day of school (Grades 1-12)
September 3	Labor Day Holiday, no school
September 4	Kindergarten first day of school
Ansbach Elementary	
August 24	New Student/Family Orientation 11 a.m.
August 24	Welcome Back BBQ 12 p.m.-3 p.m.
September 5	Open House 5-6 p.m.
Ansbach Middle/High	
August 24	New Student/Family Orientation 9 a.m.-12 p.m.
September 11	Open House 5-7 p.m.
Illesheim Elementary	
August 20	New Student/Family Orientation 9 a.m.
August 24	Meet the Teachers 2 p.m.
September 6	Open House 5-7 p.m.
Rainbow Elementary	
August 21	New Student/Family Orientation 11:30 a.m.
August 24	Welcome Back BBQ 3 p.m.
September 6	Open House 5 p.m.

For more information, contact:
 School Liaison Officer
 467-2098 / 09802.83 2098

OPERATION Rising Star

CONTESTANT APPLICATIONS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 5
Concierge in the Von Steuben Storck Community Activity Center

CONTEST DATES
Round 1: September 6
Round 2: September 13
Round 3: September 20
Final: September 22

LOCATION
Doors Open: 6:30 p.m.
Terrace Playhouse, Bldg 5091
Bleidorn Housing

INFORMATION
468.7636, 0981.183.7636

CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY
Active Duty, National Guard or Reserve from any branch of Service or a Family Member 18 years or older with a valid military ID card.

AUDITION TO BE THE NEXT RISING STAR

Top 3 Finalists: Cash prizes!
Grand Prize: Trip to Hollywood!
Audience Prizes, too!

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For more information on Ansbach community announcements visit,
<https://www.facebook.com/U.S.Army.Garrison.Ansbach>



BOSS

TEXAS HOLD 'EM TOURNAMENT

1st Place Prize I Pad 3

SEP 15, 2012

Storck Community Activity Center 3rd floor Recreation Center

\$20 pre-registration / \$25 entry @ the door
Advance tickets available from BOSS
Doors open at 11 a.m. / Play begins at 12 p.m.
Be prepared! Buy-ins are cash only!

Help volunteer for this event and have some fun!

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS)
Bismarck Kaserne Bldg 5845
CIV 09802.83.2921 DSN 467.2921
ansbachboss@eur.army.mil

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toward a college degree while you provide child care. For more information, contact the Family Child Care office at 09802-83-2536.

Ansbach Girl Scouts

What is green, almost 100 years old and hip and cool as ever? Girl Scouts! Come be a part of the adventure and fun that is Girl Scouts. Any girls kindergarten through 12 grade are welcome. To join or for more information, email gsansbach@yahoo.com or call 0151- 445-12471.

EDGE!

After school activities for middle and high school youth is available at no cost. For more information, call Katterbach Kaserne Parent Central Services at 0909802-83-2533 or Storck Barracks Parent Central Services at 09841-83-4880.

Sports, Health and Fitness

Coed Basketball League Games

The Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Sports and Fitness Program will be conducting a six-week league for participants over 30 years old.



WE WANT YOU

12th CAB

Combat Spouses Day

OPERATION BETTER HALF

Sept 19

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Franken Kaserne

Register your 4-person team
\$20 per person, includes T-Shirt and lunch

Give payment & registration to your FRSA
ASAP before all the teams fill up!

POC 0162-297-0353

The league games start on September 18 at both Katterbach & Storck Fitness Centers. It is available at from 11:30 a.m. - noon and 6 -6:30 p.m. Participation is free. Forms can be picked up at Katterbach and Storck Fitness Centers.

R.I.P.P.E.D. Season 9 Launch

R.I.P.P.E.D. has recently taken the community of Ansbach by storm. With its uniqueness in activities and instructions, R.I.P.P.E.D. aerobic classes attract more than 30 people per class; the highest participation was 50 people in one single class. Season 9 elements will be part of the new activities for the following three months. The fee per participant is \$3.00.

Dodgeball Mayhem

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers will host the U.S. Army Europe-wide Dodgeball Mayhem on Sept. 29 at 11 a.m. at Storck fitness center. Sign up with your Boss representative by Sept. 4. The cost is \$35 per team. For more information, call 09802-83-2921.

Push-up Contest

Ready to win some prizes? Participate in the Push-Up Contest at the Katterbach Fitness Center from Sept. 4-28. The contest will take place every Tuesday and Thursday between 12:30-1:30 p.m. for adults and between 3:30-4:30 p.m. for a youth category ages 13-17. Prizes include personal training packets, t-shirts and gift certificates. Sign up before Sept. 4 at the Katterbach Fitness Center. Participation is free. For more information, call 09802-83-2771.

New Aerobic Class at Katterbach

A new aerobic class called "Power XTREME" is offered Tuesday and Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Katterbach Fitness Center. This class includes a variety of fitness components geared towards optimal health and fitness enhancements. For more information, call 09802-83-2771.

Weekly Reminders

Safety Hazard on B-13

Safety Hazard on B-13 between Ansbach and Illesheim North of Oberdachstetten there is a steep decline that goes under a railroad overpass ("Marktbergel Hill"). One lane of traffic going down the hill and two lanes of traffic going up the hill, please do not pass.

Pet Reminder

Remember all pets on U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach installations need to be on a leash when outside. Please pick up after your pets.

Used Clothes and Shoes Container

We need your help! The used clothes and shoes containers are provided to the community at no cost. Unfortunately, they are often mistreated as garbage dumpsters. Please be sure that only clothes and shoes are disposed off in these containers. Please also make your neighbors aware of the purpose of these containers. If these containers are continued to be misused, the respective contractor will be unable to continue to provide this service.

Community Yard Sale

Every first weekend of the month starting in June until September, all residents of housing areas in U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach can host a community yard sale. The yard sales will be Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Off-post residents can sell their goods on Katterbach at Rocket Park or Illesheim near Longbow Lounge.

Safety Training and Information

The U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach Safety Office recommends this [website](#) containing many safety topics, in both English and German, which can be



Ansbach Spouses' & Civilians' Club

SUPER SIGN UP

SEPTEMBER 17, 2012

Ansbach SPOUSES AND CIVILIANS CLUB

VON STEUBEN 11 AM - 1 PM

Come out and see what ASCC has to offer you and what events are planned for this year!

Vendors, crafters, social groups, and others onsite to provide information and sell products!

Children Welcome!

used for information and training in your organization throughout the year. As time goes by, more will be added, but there is a vast volume of workplace and off-duty subjects; to include videos and slide shows.

Reserve Space

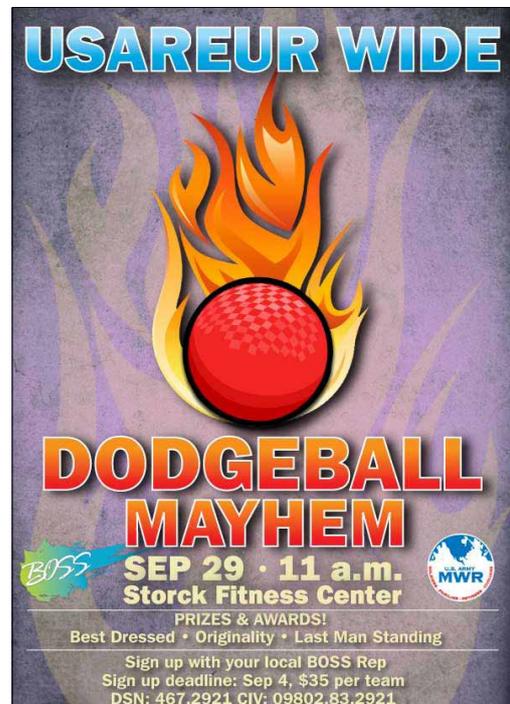
Did you know? You can use the Von Steuben Community Activity Center on Bismarck Kaserne for your official Family Readiness Group meeting, unit meeting or official use training conference. Available for no cost official usage on Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call for reservations today at 09802-83-2930, or stop by Concierge in the Von Steuben Community Activity Center.

Java Time

Come to Java Cafe for warm drinks and for free internet access at Storck Barracks' Bowling Center. The cafe is open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cafe is now open Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call, 09841-83-4530.

Taxi Service

Ask for a driver with a U.S. installation pass and provide the following information: pick-up point, number of passengers, destination, name and number and time of pick up. If traveling to the airport,



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DODGEBALL MAYHEM

SEP 29 · 11 a.m.

Storck Fitness Center

PRIZES & AWARDS!
Best Dressed • Originality • Last Man Standing

Sign up with your local BOSS Rep
Sign up deadline: Sep 4, \$35 per team
DSN: 467.2921 CIV: 09802.83.2921

Bamberg Community Announcements

Please send all announcements to Bamberg Public Affairs at usarmy.bamberg.usareur.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

Parenting Skill Builder Classes

Starting in Sept. the first three Tuesday mornings of each month from 9-11 a.m. the Bamberg Chapel Family Life Center will have classes. Learning the skills to parent with Love and Logic can help make parenting fun and rewarding, instead of stressful and chaotic. You will be provided with practical tools and techniques that help parents build respectful, healthy relationships with their children and help them prepare their children for the real world. To register and sign-up for child care call 0951-300-1570/8141.

Red Cross Volunteer Orientation

Come and learn how you can become a volunteer with the American Red Cross from 10 a.m. to noon Sept. 7, Sept. 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 19, Nov. 2 and Nov. 16 at the Army Community Service building. Please call and RSVP no later than the day before each scheduled orientation. For additional information, visit the American Red Cross office, Building 7029 or call 0951-300-1760.

CPR, AED and First Aid Certification

Come and learn how to give CPR, first aid and use an automated external defibrillator with the American Red Cross Sept. 14, Oct. 12 and Nov. 9 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Army Community Services building. The cost of the CPR and First Aid Certification is \$45. You can log onto www.redcross.org to register. Once on the ARC site, go to "take a class" and enter your APO zip code to find the course, register and pay online. You can also register in person at the ARC office. For additional information or questions, stop by the American Red Cross office, Building 7029 or call 0951-300-1760.

Taco Tuesday Buffet Bar

Come enjoy the Taco Tuesday Buffet Bar at the Community Activity Center on Sept. 18, Oct. 23, Nov. 13, Dec. 11, Jan. 15 and Feb. 19. The taco bar is \$6 per person and includes either two hard tacos, two soft tacos or nacho chips with your choice of toppings. Toppings include cheese, tomato, lettuce, sour cream, refried beans, salsa, corn, beans,

guacamole, onion, rice, peppers, etc. The buffet bar will be open from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For more information, call 0951-300-8837.

Ceramics/Pottery Class

Learn hand building and wheel-thrown pottery, glazing and other techniques at the ceramics and pottery class beginning on Sept. 1 at 12 p.m. This class will be held every Saturday and is for beginners and advance levels. Cost is \$60. For more information, call 0951-300-8659.

Auditions for Disney's "101 Dalmatians"

Auditions for Disney's "101 Dalmatians" will be at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 5-6 at the Stable Theater. The auditions are open to aspiring actors age 7 and up. No preparation is required to audition. The shows will run in mid-November. For more information, call 0951-300-8647.

Bingo

Bamberg Spouses and Civilians' Club will have their first bingo night of the new BSCC year on Sept. 7 at the Warner Conference Center. Card sales begin at 6 p.m. and bingo starts at 6:30 p.m. In celebration of the new BSCC year we will be raffling off an X-box, I-pod and many other prizes. The theme for this month's bingo is Bavaria. Wear your dirndl or lederhosen and receive a free bingo card. For more information, e-mail bscc1stvp@googlegmail.com.

Bamberg Girl Scouts

Please join the Bamberg Girl Scouts for a movie under the stars on Sept. 8 from 6-9 p.m. at the 173rd Brigade Support Battalion soccer field. Bring your pillow and blanket. There will be free popcorn, candy and drinks for members.

Luncheon

Bamberg Spouses and Civilians' Club will have a luncheon Sept. 10 at 11:30 a.m. at the Warner Conference Center. BSCC invites members and community members who are interested in learning about the BSCC to come to our first luncheon of the new BSCC year. Wear your dirndl or lederhosen and come eat some delicious Bavarian food. This luncheon is free. For more information or to RSVP by Sept. 6, e-mail bscc.reservations@yahoo.com.

Tap Dance Lessons

Beginning Sept. 11 the Stable Theater will be offering free tap dance lessons to all community members. The lesson series is 15 sessions and will be on Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m. Taps or tap shoes will be required and Stable Theater can assist with obtaining them. For more information, call 0951-300-8647.

Karaoke Bash - Grease is the Word

The Birchview Lanes Bowling Center is having a "Grease" theme karaoke party on Sept. 1 at 9 p.m. Come dressed as your favorite "Grease" character or in 50's style clothes. There will be food and fun for all. Sing the night away, must be 18 and over. There will be first, second and third place prizes awarded for best costume. For more information, call 0951-300-7722.

Operation Rising Star

Operation Rising Star is back. Sign up for the All-Army Talent Competition and win the chance for the ultimate recording experience. U.S. Army Garrison Bamberg's Round 1 competition will take place on Aug. 31 at the Stable Theater. Advance sign-up required. Open to Soldiers and Family members 18 and over. For more information, call 0951-300-8647.

USAG Bamberg
The Stable Theater

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"It's back!"

Operation Rising Star

Sign up for the All-Army Talent Competition and win the chance for the ultimate Recording Experience!

USAG Bamberg's Round 1
Aug. 31

Advance sign-up required. Open to Soldiers and Family members 18 and over.
Contact the Stable Theater at Tel. (0951) 300 8647
www.operationrisingstar.com

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Theatrical Workshop Series

The Stable Theater will have a series of free theatrical workshops for adults and children this summer. They are every Thursday from 6-9 p.m. The topics will be as follows: Aug. 30 - Auditioning; Sept. 13 - Moving on Stage; and Sept. 27 - Stage Tech. For more information, call the Stable Theater at 0951-300-8647.

Adult and Kids Craft

The Community Activity Center will host an adult and kids craft on Sept. 27 at 4 p.m. Participants will make homemade lotion and lip balm. The craft is free. Parent supervision is required. Space is limited so sign-up is required. For more information, call the Community Activity Center at 0951-300-8837.

Hot Dog Day

Join the Community Activity Center on Sept. 10 beginning at 10 a.m. for a hot dog bar. Create your favorite hot dog using different toppings. The cost is \$2 per hot dog with unlimited toppings.

Community Flea Markets

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GREASE!

Costume Party
Sept. 1, 9 p.m.

Come and sing along with your favorite tunes and wear your best 50's outfit for a chance to win!

1st AAFES gift card \$50, 2nd AAFES gift card \$25, 3rd GREASE original soundtrack

For more details, contact the Birchview Lanes Bowling Center, 0951-300-7722

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COMING THIS FALL!

The Stable Theater

Disney's

101 Dalmatians

Auditions Sept 5, 6

Open to Adults and Kids age 7 and up

CALL OR EMAIL FOR INFO

0951 / 300-8647

stable.theater.tickets@eur.army.mil

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For more information on Bamberg community announcements visit,
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/bambergmwr>



USAG Bamberg Community Activity Center

Hot Dog Day

\$2.00

Sept. 10, 10 a.m. CAC

Create your own "dog" from our hot dog bar! Use as many toppings as you want. \$2.00 per dog.

Contact (0951) 300 8837

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The Community Activity Center will host a Community Flea Market from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the second Saturday of the month through October at the CAC, Building 7047. The dates for the flea markets are Sept. 8 and Oct. 13. For more information, call the CAC at 0951-300-8837

Basic Sewing Application

Arts and Crafts is scheduled to have a Basic Sewing Application class Sept. 8 and Oct. 13 at 10 a.m. and Sept. 13 and Oct. 18 at 6 p.m. The cost for the class is \$15. The class will provide instruction on basic sewing techniques and the operation of the Arts and Crafts sewing machines. The class is mandatory for people who want to use the sewing machines. For more information, call 0951-300-8659.

Matting and Framing

Arts and Crafts is scheduled to have a basic matting and framing class Sept. 15 and Oct. 20 at 10 a.m. and Sept. 20 and Oct. 25 at 6 p.m. The cost for the class is \$15. For more information, call 0951-300-8659.

Wood Safety

Arts and Crafts is scheduled to have a Woodshop Safety class Sept. 1 and Oct. 6 at 10 a.m. and Sept. 6 and Oct. 11 at 6 p.m. The cost for the class is \$15. The class is mandatory for people who want to use the woodshop. For more information, call 0951-300



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Bamberg Open Dodgeball Tournament!

14-15 Sept.

\$10 team registration

Team Trophy for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place!

Sign-up no later than 10 Sept. at Freedom Fitness Facility.

Top two Soldier teams will compete in the IMCOM-Europe Dodgeball Challenge in Ansbach 29 Sept.

TROPHY FOR BEST TEAM UNIFORM WILL ALSO BE GIVEN!

For more information, contact SFC Carswell@DSN 489-7626 or your unit BOSS representative.

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Closures and Changes

IACS Office Closure

The Installation Access Control office will be closed from Aug. 30 to Sept. 3 and will resume normal hours on Sept. 4.

Auto Skills, FFF and CAC Closure

The Auto Skills Center, Freedom Fitness Facility and the Community Activity Center will be closed on Sept. 9 for an employee organizational day.

Customs Office

The Customs Office is closed every first Thursday of the month for training.

Youth and Teens

Kinder Program

Enroll now for Bamberg's School Age Center Kinder Program before and after school care. The program is from Monday to Friday 5:45- 8 a.m. and 2:45-5:45 p.m. On school out days the program is from 5:45 a.m. - 5:45 p.m. SAC offers four free hours of care per month. For more information, call Parent Central Services at 0951-300-8698.

Boy's and Girls Club Day for Kids

Child, Youth and School Services will be having their annual Boy's and Girls Club Day for kids on Sept. 15 at 10 a.m. at the School Age Center building. The event is free for all youth at U.S. Army Garrison Bamberg. This year's theme is Military Kids. Activities will include obstacle courses, static displays of military equipment, bouncy houses, face painting and more. For more information, call 0951-300-8660.

Boy Scouts

Boy Scout Troop # 40 in Bamberg is looking for boys ages 12 and older interested in becoming Boy Scouts. The troop meets every Monday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. except on holidays. The boys work on requirements for advancement and earning Merit badges. The troop is also looking for Adult volunteers and Eagle Scouts to assist with troop activities. Don't delay become a Boy Scout today. For more information, call Cliff Leach 0160-1585894.

Parents' Night and Day Out

Enjoy a day or night out by enrolling your children in the next Parents' Day Out or Parents' Night Out programs. Dates for Parents' Day Out will be Oct. 6 and Dec. 1 from 11:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Dates for Parents' Night Out will be Sept. 7 and Nov. 2 from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 per child and Army Family Covenant deployment benefits can be used if eligible. Visit Parent Central Services or Webtrac to sign up. For more information, call 0951-300-8660.

Library Events

There is a Gamers' Challenge that meets every Saturday at 2-3 p.m. For more information, call 0951-300-1740.

Youth Lessons

Child, Youth and School Services SKIES Unlimited offers lessons in fine arts ages 6 to 12, kinder German with parents ages 6 to 9, gymnastics for various age groups, kickboxing ages 5 to 18 and piano ages 6 to 18. For more information, call 0951-300-7452.

Sports, Health and Fitness

Thursday Night Scramble

Come to Whispering Pines Golf Course for Thursday Night Scramble every Thursday evening at 6 p.m. Entry fee is \$10. For more information, call 0951-300-8953.



Tap Dance!

Lesson Series

Tue. 6 – 7:30 p.m. Sat. 10 – 11:30 a.m.

Starts Sept. 11 for 15 sessions

at The Stable Theater, USAG Bamberg

All Ages! FREE ADMISSION – Sponsored by the BSCC

Taps or tap shoes will be required—we can assist!

Call 0951 300 8647 for more info!

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Bamberg Open Dodgeball Tournament

Enter your team to compete in the Bamberg Open Dodgeball Tournament sponsored by Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers on Sept. 14-15. Registration is \$10 per team. Sign-up no later than Sept. 10 at the Freedom Fitness Facility. The top two Soldier teams will compete in the Installation Management Command Europe Dodgeball Challenge in Ansbach on Sept. 29. Team trophies will be awarded to first, second and third place and a trophy for best team uniform will also be given. For more information, call Sgt. 1st Class Carswell at 0951-300-7626.

Running Club

Join the Bamberg Running Club for all levels of runners, but especially targeted for beginners using the Jeff Galloway training method of running/walking. The Bamberg Running Club will meet two times a week for 45-60 minutes of training, plus weekend runs. This is a partnership between Freedom Fitness Facility and the Bamberg Health Clinic. For more information, email kelly.woodruff@us.army.mil or ernest.d.johnson3.naf@mail.mil or call 0951-300-9086.



Monthly Taco Tuesday!

\$6.00

at CAC

Sept. 18, Oct. 23, Nov. 13, Dec. 11, Jan. 15 Feb. 19

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Enjoy our Taco Buffet Bar for \$6.00 per person. Choose between 2 hard or soft tacos, or nacho chips with your choice of toppings

Contact the Community Activity Center at Tel. 0951 300 8837

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Schweinfurt Community Announcements

Please send all announcements to Schweinfurt Public Affairs at usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

VFW Oktoberfest Trip

Join the Veterans of Foreign Wars for a trip to Oktoberfest in Munich on Sept. 29. The bus will leave from the Volksfest at 8 a.m. and will return at about 2 a.m. on Sept. 30. The cost is \$40. Must be paid by Sept. 1. No refunds. For more information visit, <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Schweinfurt-VFW-Post-10658/239157487338>.

Thursday Night Bowling League

A Thursday Night Bowling League will begin Sept. 13 at the Kessler Bowl. Practice time begins at 6:45 p.m. and games start at 7 p.m. The cost is \$10 per game. For more information, call 09721-96-6332.

Magic: The Gathering Tournament

A Magic Collectible card game tournament for Soldiers and their guests age 18 and older will be on Sept. 22 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the Warrior Zone on Ledward Barracks. Food and drink will be available for purchase. Register by Sept. 20 and pay \$15. After Sept. 20, registration increases to \$18. Registration fee enters you into a raffle to win one of three Booster Packs. Prizes will be awarded to first-, second-, third- and fourth-place finishers. For more information or to register, contact the Warrior Zone at 09721-96-6082.

Picture Perfect

Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation is looking for people like you to share their summer European adventures and travels by participating in our new photo contest. We want to showcase your favorite summer moments. Just email one photo to the Public Affairs Office and list where the photo was taken, along with your name, contact information and connection to the Schweinfurt Military Community. Email photos to usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil. Photos can be submitted from Sept. 1 to Sept. 16. All qualifying entries will be posted in an album on the Schweinfurt Army Garrison Facebook Page where the community will vote from

Sept. 17 to Sept. 30. The winner will be announced Oct. 1. Log on to TeamSchweinfurt.com for complete details and competition rules.

Stop Worrying About Money

Stop worrying about money and participate in Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Military Edition. This is a 12-week series that will meet every Tuesday starting Sept. 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Ledward Chapel. Free childcare is available for the first 30 children registered. For more information, call 09721-96-6933 or 09721-96-1370.

Auto Skills Center Open House

The Auto Skills Center on Conn Barracks Building 49 will host an open house and barbecue on Sept. 7 from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event is free and includes food, drinks, a tour of the facility, live service demonstrations and a car display. For more information, call 09721-96-8224.

Dental Assistant Training Program

The Schweinfurt American Red Cross office and the U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt Dental Clinic are now offering the dental assistance training program, which is aimed at providing spouses with training and marketable experience they can take elsewhere. The program begins Oct. 1 and only a limited number of positions are available. Some eligibility requirements apply. Applications can be picked up at the Red Cross office (Building 274) on Ledward across from the Ledward Theater. Red Cross is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Applications must be turned in to the Red Cross office no later than noon Aug. 31. For more information, call 09721-96-1760.

Recycling Education Class

Recycle education course for trash disposal offenders and anyone who wants to learn about recycling. The class is offered twice a month on Wednesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Family members nine and up are encouraged to attend with their parent. Bring a friend if he or she lives in military housing or military-leased housing. Class space is limited so please call 09721-96-6955 to sign up. Classes cancelled if no one signs up by 4:30 p.m. the Tuesday before class.

Closures and Changes

Tank Trail Closed

The Directorate of Emergency Services must secure the cable beam barriers across the Tank Trail adjacent to Kessler Field beginning June 1.

Community Shuttle Increases Weekend Runs

Effective immediately the community shuttle will add two additional circuits to its weekend schedule. The weekend schedule includes holidays and U.S. Army-Europe training holidays. [More...](#)

Youth and Teens

Volunteers Wanted

Schweinfurt Elementary/Middle School needs volunteer crossing guards. Help keep our children safe. For more information, call Volunteer Coordinator David Blakeman at 09721-96-6933.

Fall Sports Physical Appointments Available

Does your child need a physical exam for the fall sports season? Call the Schweinfurt Health Clinic to schedule an appointment at 09721-96-7901. Physicals will only be conducted by appointment, therefore the clinic has reserved slots for participants of high school and Child Youth Services sports.

Picture Perfect You click. We pick.

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MWR is looking for people like you to share their summer European adventures and travels by participating in our new photo contest!

We want to showcase your favorite summer moments. Just email one photo to PAO and list where the photo was taken, along with your name, contact information and connection to the Schweinfurt Military Community. Email photos to usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

All qualifying entries will be posted in an album on the Schweinfurt Army Garrison Facebook Page. The winner will be announced Mon, Oct. 1st!

Log on to TeamSchweinfurt.com for complete details and competition rules.

Win Cool Prizes!

Submit Photos - Sept. 1 - Sept. 16
Community Votes - Sept. 17 - 30

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Smart Girls

Young ladies, we are proud to tell you that your Smart Girls program is up and running again! Topics include: life skills, healthy eating, fitness, health care systems, positive mentors, respecting yourself, fashion shows, dinner with parents, lock ins and more. Age groups include 11-14 and 15-18. Smart Girls meet every Monday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. For more information, call the youth center at 09721-96-6732.

Wanted: Youth Sports Coaches and Officials

The Schweinfurt community is looking for coaches and officials for the youth sports program. No experience is necessary to participate. By registering through Child, Youth School Services, you will become a certified coach in the National Alliance for Youth Sports (NAYS). This is a great way to volunteer in the community and earn extra income by officiating. For more information contact CYSS at 09721-96-6822 or email Derek.r.walker.naf@mail.mil.

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace MILITARY EDITION

Class Orientation | Thu, Aug. 30 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Ledward Chapel

ADDRESS: _____
ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____

STOP WORRYING ABOUT MONEY

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University Military Edition is a step-by-step program that promises to change your attitude about money. During this life-changing series, you will learn how to:

1. Take control of your money
2. Stop struggling to make ends meet
3. Tell your money what to do
4. Change your family future

This is a 12-week series that will meet every Tuesday, starting September 4th from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Ledward Chapel. Free childcare for the first 30 children registered.

ACS Financial Readiness Program | Ledward Brks, Bldg. 242 | 09721-96-6933/354-6933
Religious Support Office | Ledward Brks, Bldg. 242 | 09721-96-1370/354-1370

CLASS SCHEDULE:

Tue, Sep. 04	Super Saving
Tue, Sep. 11	Relating with Money
Tue, Sep. 18	Cash Flow Planning
Tue, Sep. 25	Dumping Debt
Tue, Oct. 02	Credit Sharks In Suits
Tue, Oct. 09	Buyer Beware
Tue, Oct. 16	Cause and Effect
Tue, Oct. 23	That's Not Good Enough
Tue, Oct. 30	Of Mice and Mutual Funds
Tue, Nov. 06	From Fruition to Tuition
Tue, Nov. 13	Working in Your Strengths
Tue, Nov. 20	Real Estate and Mortgages
Tue, Nov. 27	The Great Misunderstanding

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BBQ & Open House at the Auto Skills Center

Fri, Sep. 7th | 11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Join us for this free community event in honor of our wonderful customers! In addition to food and drink, enjoy a facility tour, live service demonstrations and admire the cars we will have on display.

Auto Skills Center on Conn Barracks, Bldg 49
or call us at CIV 09721-96-8224
DSN 353-8224

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Thursday Night Bowling League
Starting 9.13.12

Practice Time 6:45 P.M.

Game Start 7:00 P.M.

\$10 per Game

KESSLER BOWL | KESSLER FIELD, BLDG. 449 | 09721.96.6332/354.6332

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Family Child Care Providers Needed

Help the community and start a new career as an Family Child Care provider. FCC Providers maintain a happy home-away-from-home atmosphere (in government controlled housing only) for children who can't be with their own parents during the day. You can care for your own children in addition to outside customers. All training and education is provided free of charge. Call 09721-96-6487 for details.

SKIESUnlimited

SKIES offers different classes every month for youths ages birth through 18. The program is designed to complement, expand, and support the academic, life skills and athletic experiences children and youth have within Child, Youth and School Services programs and in schools. For the latest class listings, click [here](#).

4-H Club

4-H is a club designed for middle and high school students. As a club, students will plan field trips, events and activities based on their four core values; head, hands, heart and health. 4-H meets every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. To participate, students must be registered with CYSS. For more information or to get involved, call the Youth Center at 09721-96-6732.

Give Me 20

Looking to get fit? The Youth Center is offering a free fitness program every Wednesday and Thursday at 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. for youth ages 13 through 18-years-old. Program facilitators will show youth how to safely workout and stay fit. Working out doesn't have to be hard; it can be fun! Dedicated participants will see positive results. Workouts will include sports, spinning, weight lifting and more. Participants must be registered with CYSS and have a permission slip on file. To learn more or to register, contact the Youth Center at 09721-96-6732.

German Class

Let's talk German! Come learn German one-on-one every Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. This great program is taught by our own education tech who was born and raised in Schweinfurt. This class can help your German grade go from a C to an A+ and it may even help you make friends in the German community. Test out your skills by joining us on a field trip downtown. For more information, call the Youth Center at 09721-96-6732.

EDIS

Are you concerned about how your child is developing? If so, call Educational and Developmental Intervention Services to schedule a free screening. Screenings are available to children ages birth to 3 years old. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 09721-96-6257.

Playmorning

Join Playmorning every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Ledward Activity Center.

Children's Story Time

Bring your child in to the library on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. for Children's Story Time.

School Registration

Families newly assigned to Schweinfurt can register their children daily in the main office. Please bring a copy of the student's current immunization records and orders assigning you to Schweinfurt which are required to complete registration. Students who are not registered prior to the first day of school could have a delayed start date. Please contact the school at 09721-96-6518 with any questions.

Sports, Health and Fitness

Dance Classes

Find a new groove this summer by trying a new dance class offered at Finney Fitness Center. Adults only, sign-up and start date is Aug. 20. Lessons are free and will run from Aug. 20 to Sept. 20. Ballet Dance Class is Monday and Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Jazz Dance Class is Monday and Wednesday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30-10:30 a.m. For more information, call 09721-96-8476.

9/11 Remembrance Day Run

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars will host its third annual and final 9/11 Remembrance Day Run on Sept. 8 at Kessler Gym in Yorktown Village. All proceeds from this year's fun run will benefit the construction of the monument honoring all soldiers who have served in Schweinfurt. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and race starts at 9 a.m. \$10 for T-shirt and \$5 for bracelet. Pre-registration forms available at Conn Shoppette.



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Your Passport to Success!

48 ON THE 90 Your introduction to staying safe and healthy in Schweinfurt	TUE - SEP 4, OCT 2 & NOV 6 9 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. MEET AT ACS	USAG SCHWEINFURT UP CLOSE A walking tour and orientation of our four installations	THU - SEP 27, OCT 8 & NOV 8 11 A.M. - 2 P.M. MEET AT BRADLEY INN (CONN BRKS)
WHERE & HOW WE LIVE What you need to know about housing and living on the economy in Germany	TUE - SEP 11, OCT 9 & NOV 13 9:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. MEET AT ACS	SCHWEINFURT BY BUS An orientation to the German bus system as well as tours of Leopoldina Hospital and downtown Schweinfurt	FRI - SEP 14 & MON - OCT 22 9:30-11 A.M. MEET AT ACS
KIDS R US Schools, service and fun provided on base for families with children	WED - SEP 5, OCT 10 & NOV 7 9 A.M. - 12:30 A.M. MEET AT ACS	RURO UNDEBTOOD Banking, money and consumer differences and need to know information	MON - SEP 17 & FRI - OCT 12 & NOV 2 9:00 A.M. - 2 P.M. MEET AT ACS
GERMANY BY RAIL An orientation to the German train system and day trip	FRI - AUG 31, OCT 5 & NOV 9 8:30 A.M. - 4 P.M. MEET AT HAMPFRAHNSHOF	ADULTS! NOT A TOWN Understanding driving in Germany; cars, gas stations, getting a drivers license and much more	THU - SEP 20, OCT 18 & FRI - NOV 23 9 A.M. - 12 P.M. MEET AT ACS
BY ARMY FAMILY An orientation to life in the Military	WED - SEP 26, OCT 16 & NOV 28 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. MEET AT ACS		

Classes Offered Monthly
Limited FREE childcare available. Contact ACS for info.
ACS | Ledward Barracks, Bldg. 242 | 09721-96-6933/354-6933

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PADI Open Water Certification Course as an ongoing program. The course includes classroom sessions, pool and open water training in small groups. Course costs are \$375 using your own mask, fins and snorkel. All other equipment is provided. Items can be rented at ODR. For more information or to sign up, call ODR at 09721-96-8080.

Personal Training

Dedicated personal trainers are available to the Schweinfurt Community by appointment. For details, contact the Kessler Fitness Center at 09721-96-6765 or Finney Fitness Center at 09721-96-8234.

Paintball Field Open

Relieve some stress or have some good old fashioned fun every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rental equipment is available at the Paintball Field. For information, contact Outdoor Recreation at 09721-96-8080.



SCHWEINFURT'S Fantastic FALL EVENTS

September
Sat. 1 - Sun. 30 | Dining Operating Hours
Library Card Sign-up Month
Tue. Sep. 4 - Tue. Nov. 27 | 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace (Military Edition)
Mon. 4 - Fri. 7 | All Day
Community Clean Sweep Week
Sat. 8 | 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
VFW Ladies Auxiliary Remembrance Day Run
Tue. 11 | 7 - 8:30 a.m.
9/11 Remembrance Prayer Breakfast
Tue. 25 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Save A Life Expo on Ledward Barracks
Thu. 27 | 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Operation Rising Star Competition (Round 1)
Fri. 28 | 4 - 9 p.m.
Schweinfurt Community Oktoberfest
Sat. 29 | 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
BOSS Trips: Alpha Center in Bottrop, Germany

October
September - November
Continued Festival Campaign - Overseas
Sat. 6 | 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
ODR Trip to Gosselwin (Amersfoort, Park)
Thu. 4 | 1 - 3 p.m.
Walk the Way - One mile walk in Westcott Park (Dedicated to those who served in Germany)
Fri. 12, 19 & 26 | 9:30 a.m.
ACS Trip: Parade, Parking
Sat. 13 | 9 - 10:30 a.m.
Breast Cancer Awareness 5K Run/Walk
Oct. 20 | 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Service Saturday in support of Relief Association Day
Sat. 27 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Community Fall Sale on Sektel Manor, Lee St.
2, 5, 9, 11, 12, 15, 18, 22, 30 & 31
Time & Location Varies by Class
Destination Schweinfurt Series

November
Thu. 1 - Fri. 30 | All Month
Military Family Appreciation Month
Fri. 2 & Thu. 3 | All Day
Community Fall Clean Up
Tue. 20 | 10 a.m.
Community Town Hall at the Corin Club
Wed. 21 | 8 p.m.
Single Soldier Thanksgiving Dinner at Ramon's
Thu. 22 | TBA
Thanksgiving Dinner at the DFACs
Thu. 22 - Sun. 25 | All Day
ODR Ski Trip to Solten, Austria
Fri. 30 | 4 - 5 p.m.
Tree Lighting Ceremony at Andrus Garden
2, 5, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 20, 26, 28
Time & Location Varies by Class
Destination Schweinfurt Series

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PADI Open Water Certification Course

Now through Sept. 30, Outdoor Recreation offers a



OPERATION Rising Star

Round 1
Thu, Sep. 27

Round 2
Thu, Oct. 4

Round 3
Thu, Oct. 11

Finals
Thu, Oct. 18

Parkside Playhouse
(Conn Brks, Bldg. 82)
7:30 p.m.

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coming to THEATERS

PARANORMAN
August 24, 2012 | 93 Minutes

Eleven-year-old Norman Babcock spends much of his days appreciating the finer points of scary movies and studying ghost lore. In fact, Norman is gifted with the ability to see and speak with the dead, such as his beloved grandmother. Norman bravely summons up all that makes a hero - courage and compassion - as he finds his paranormal activities pushed to their otherworldly limits.

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IN THEATERS • AUG. 30 to SEPT. 5

ILLESHEIM THEATER • 09841-83-4546
Sept. 1 - THE BOURNE LEGACY (PG-13) 4 p.m.
TED (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 2 - BRAVE (PG) 3 p.m.

KATTERBACH THEATER • 09802-83-1790
Aug. 30 - THE WATCH (R) 7 p.m.
Aug. 31 - TOTAL RECALL (PG-13) 7 p.m.
Sept. 1 - BRAVE (PG) 4 p.m.
TED (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 2 - DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: DOG DAYS (PG) 3 p.m.
TOTAL RECALL (PG-13) 6 p.m.

BAMBERG THEATER • 0951-297-3934
Aug. 30 - THAT'S MY BOY (R) 7 p.m.
Aug. 31 - THE EXPENDABLES 2 (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 1 - PARANORMAN (PG) 3 p.m.
THE EXPENDABLES 2 (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 2 - THE ODD LIFE OF TIMOTHY GREEN (PG) 3 p.m.
TED (R) 7 p.m.
Sept. 3 - TED (R) 7 p.m.

SCHWEINFURT THEATER • 09721-96-1790
Aug. 30 - THAT'S MY BOY (R) 7 p.m.
Aug. 31 - THE BOURNE LEGACY (PG-13) 7 p.m.
Sept. 1 - HOPE SPRINGS (PG-13) 4 p.m.
THE BOURNE LEGACY (PG-13) 7 p.m.
Sept. 2 - HOPE SPRINGS (PG-13) 4 p.m.
THE BOURNE LEGACY (PG-13) 7 p.m.
Sept. 5 - THE CAMPAIGN (R) 7 p.m.



Trips and Travel Opportunities

Registration for trips begin the 15th of the month before the scheduled trip and must be made no later than the Monday before the scheduled leave date or they may be cancelled. To sign up or for more information, go to Outdoor Recreation. All trips depart and arrive from ODR unless otherwise noted. No refund will be given for no-shows. Military duty restraint or illness will be refunded with documentation.



ANSBACH

For more information call, Ansbach Outdoor Recreation at 09802-83-3225.

BAMBERG

September Wednesday Evening Adventure Sports \$15

Enjoy the longer days with a mountain bike ride on some of the coolest single-track in the local area, or rock climbing on the world famous Frankenjura limestone. Occurring Sept. 5, 12, 19 and 26. Use your own bike or rent one from Outdoor Recreation for only \$10. Climbing equipment is provided with trip fee. Must sign-up in advance. Departs ODR at 5 p.m. and returns at 9 p.m.

Sept. 6 Tour Under Bamberg \$25

This unique trip through the tunnels under Bamberg gives you a view of the city that shouldn't be missed. The tunnels are generally cool and damp so please wear appropriate clothing and bring a flashlight. Departs ODR at 5 p.m. and returns at 7:30 p.m.

Sept. 8 Berlin with City Tour \$65

Germany's capital is a cultural haven offering sights like Checkpoint Charlie, Brandenburg Tor, Reichstag, KaDeWe, Jewish memorials and more. The cost for children ages 4-12 is \$55 and children 3 and under are \$45. Includes transportation and a city tour. Departs chapel parking lot at 4 a.m. and returns at 11 p.m.

For more information, call Bamberg Outdoor Recreation at 0951-300-9376.

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Sept. 8 Hiking Trip Kreuzberg \$15

Enjoy a leisurely trip to the Wasserkuppe with its fun roller coaster, the historical Franconian open-air museum in Fladungen and in the afternoon a refreshing beer from the Kreuzberg Monastery. Cost per person for transportation is \$15. Bring Euros for refreshments and souvenirs.

Sept. 22 Rothenburg City Tour \$15

Visit the historic town of Rothenburg with its massive town wall, buildings of Gothic and Renaissance style, churches and Patrician houses. Also visit the medieval crime museum. It is the only museum of law in the European area, and is the most important collection of the history of rights. Cost is \$15 per person for transportation. Bring Euros for entrance fees, souvenirs and food.

Oct. 6 Amusement Park Geiselwind \$15

Let Outdoor Recreation take care of the driving. Includes transportation cost per person, entrance fee not included. Entrance fees to the park are children shorter than 1.10m are free, children taller than 1.10m are €19.50 and adults are €22.50.

For more information, call Schweinfurt Outdoor Recreation at 09721-96-8080.

Eco-Friendly Tips

Water-saving Tips

1. Use a commercial car wash that recycles water.
2. Report water leaks to the Service Order Desk on your garrison.

Energy-saving Tips

1. Use retained heat. Turn off cook tops or ovens a few minutes before food has completed cooking. Retained heat finishes the job using less energy.
2. Rinse foods and dishes in cold water. The water temperature has no effect on cleaning, and rinsing with cold water saves money by heating less water.

Recycling Tips

1. Start your own competition at home and work: Try to put as less as possible in the normal trash bin. You will recycle much more this way.
2. Recycle used printer cartridges. Bring them to the Recycling Center instead of throwing them into the trash.

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Was ist los in Franken?

By Bianca Sowders, USAG Ansbach Public Affairs

Weinparade in Würzburg

The annual wine parade in Würzburg, ongoing until Sept. 2, offers a choice of more than 100 different wines and local culinary specialties. It is open daily 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. at the Marktplatz. More information is available at www.weinparade.de.

Herbstvolksfest in Nürnberg

The fall fest in Nürnberg, still open until Sept. 9, is one of the largest "Volksfests" in Bavaria. Besides a large number of rides and fun booths there are plenty of food stands and an interesting entertainment program. The fest is located at the Dutzendteich in Nürnberg (Bayernstraße); the opening and closing are featuring a large firework around 10:15 p.m.; Wednesdays are family days with reduced prices from 1-8 p.m. For more program details as well as information on public transportation (click on "Nahverkehr") also check www.volksfest-nuernberg.de.

KONTAKTA Consumer Fair in Ansbach

Every other year the city of Ansbach hosts a consumer fair called KONTAKTA. This year it lasts until Sept. 2. It is located in the middle of town on the Onoldia parking lot (also known as the Festplatz) on Nürnberger Strasse, across from the Orangerie. The biannual fair serves to inform visitors of many aspects of life, business and crafts. It is separated into seven different areas, including an exhibition inside the Onoldia-Center. A one-day admission ticket for adults is 5.50 Euros, the five-day ticket is 7.50 Euros; children 6- 12 years pay 1 Euro (or 3 Euros for five days), while tickets for 13-18 year-olds are 3.50 Euros (4.50 Euros for five days). Since parking is limited downtown Ansbach, it is recommend to make use of the special shuttle bus; it stops at the parking lot of the old Messezentrum (Schalkhäuser Strasse, behind the skating park) and at the Aquella parking lot. The fair is open daily 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. A site plan, detailed program information and a 1 Euro coupon for print out (need one per person) are available at www.kontakta-ansbach.de.

Ansbach Open 2012

Downtown Ansbach will turn into an open air concert site again on Aug. 31 to Sep.2 for the annual "Ansbach Open." The Austrian band "holstuoarnamusigbigbandclub" (aka HMBC) starts off on Friday at 8 p.m. with their interesting mixture of pop and traditional music, mixed with Jazz and cover songs, all sung in a mixture of English and their local dialect. Saturday will feature the "The Australian Pink Floyd Show" with their "Exposed in the Light World Tour 2012" at 9 p.m. Max Raabe, who has been singing in his particular sound of the Golden 20s for 25 years, and the Palast Orchester will perform on Sunday at 8 p.m. All concerts take place inside the Reitbahn, an enclosure nestled between the Residenz and Martin-Luther-Platz (normally used as a parking lot). Tickets and information are available from the Ansbach Tourist Office (Amt für Kultur & Touristik) on Johann-Sebastian-Bach-Platz 1 at 0981- 51-560 or via email akut@ansbach.de.

Fränkische Schweiz - Marathon

The "Fränkische Schweiz – Marathon" on Sept. 1-2 is considered one of the most beautiful landscape marathons in Germany; the course takes the participants on the B470 right through the heart of the "Franconian Switzerland," which provides a unique backdrop for the event. The entertainment program and thousands of visitors turn the racing event into a fest. Competitions and categories include a marathon run, team marathons over 16 and 26 km, a 16 km run, inline skaters, hand bikes/racing wheel chairs, a 1/10 Marathon (4.2 km) as well as a Bambini (500m) and a student run (1000m). Events start at different locations in Ebermannstadt and Forchheim. For detailed information,

go to www.fs-marathon.de.

Teddy bear festival in Bamberg

At the Bamberger Teddybär-Festival, at the Welcome Kongress Hotel Bamberg (Mußstr. 7), you can find antique and new teddy bears, antique dolls, miniatures and a teddy bear competition. The festival is open Sept. 1-2, starting at 10 a.m. on Sept. 1 and 11 a.m. on Sept. 2. Tickets are available at the door for 5 Euros; children under 10 years enter for free. For more information, go to www.bamberger-teddybaerfestival.de.

Trempelmarkt in Nürnberg

The largest flea market in Germany, the Trempelmarkt in Nürnberg, is scheduled for the weekend of Sept. 7-8. More than 4,000 sellers offer antiques and junk for all tastes. The market opens on Friday at 4 p.m. and Saturday at 7 a.m. Public transportation is recommended, since there will be very limited parking.

Mexican Rock Night in Schloss Thurn

The amusement park of Schloss Thurn in Heroldsbach is featuring a Mexican Rock Night with a Western Saloon on Sept. 8, starting at 7 p.m. Details and ticket information can be found at www.schloss-thurn.de.

Wine fest in Nürnberg's Handwerkerhof

The Handwerkerhof, a medieval crafts market enclosed by thick walls and a huge tower, is located across from the main train station, the Hauptbahnhof Nürnberg. On Sep 7-12 it will be the site of a wine fest with local wines and food, as well as musicians "traveling" from restaurant to restaurant. The Handwerkerhof is open daily 10 a.m.-11 p.m.; for more details go to www.handwerkerhof.de.

Singers and song writers meet in Ansbach

The Bardentreffen in Ansbach is scheduled for Sep. 8-9 at the Reitbahn downtown, featuring 23 live acts. There will be an open stage for newcomers on Sunday, starting at 2 p.m. For more information check www.speckdrumm.de.

Bird shows in Schillingsfürst Castle

The castle in Schillingsfürst (near Rothenburg) houses a falconry with birds of prey like falcons, vultures, eagles and kites. Bird shows take place on a daily basis until the end of October at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. there is also a falconry museum and a baroque museum that can be toured. Admission prices are 7 Euros for adults, 4 Euros for children, or 20 Euros for a family. For more details also check www.bayerischer-jagdfalkenhof.de.

City Beach in Würzburg

Würzburg is offering a quick trip to the beach on the public "Stadtstrand" on Ludwigs kai, open daily from 11 a.m.-11 p.m. until Sept. 15. More information at www.stadtstrand-wuerzburg.de.

National Concert Schedule

All dates, and tickets are available on the following website <http://www.eventim.de/tickets-konzertkarten.html?affiliate=GMD>.

Sept. 19 Nickelback, o2 World Hamburg, Hamburg, 8 p.m.

Sept. 21 Nickelback, Lanxess Arena, Köln, 8 p.m.

Oct. 8 Lionel Richie, Festhalle, Frankfurt, 8 p.m.

Oct. 23 Lionel Richie, Olympiahalle, Munich, 8 p.m.

Oct. 25 Jennifer Lopez, Olympiahalle, Munich, 8 p.m.

Nov. 24 Jason Mraz, Jahrhunderthalle, Frankfurt, 8 p.m.

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