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## Support brigade begins Afghanistan operations

By Staff Sgt. Lynne Lantin,  
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CAMP EGGERS, Afghanistan – The 21st Theater Sustainment Command's 16th Sustainment Brigade uncased its colors during a transfer of authority ceremony Nov. 30, symbolizing its official start of operations in Afghanistan.

The brigade, which is in the process of transitioning to Baumholder from Bamberg, is the only sustainment brigade that supports all of U. S. Army Europe. It was notified earlier this year by the Department of the Army that its expertise was needed to help the Afghan National Security Forces build and sustain a functional logistics system before the scheduled withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan in 2014.

Brigade headquarters personnel deployed to augment the Deputy Command of Support Operations, NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan, taking over mission operations from the 13th Sustainment Command (expeditionary) after a year-long deployment.

"From our notification, our Soldiers were trained and ready to deploy in four months," said Col. Darren Werner, 16th Sust. Bde. commander and a native of Mayville, Mich. "We are proud to join the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines from over 25 different nations contributing to the NTM-A mission; the mission to support the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and generating and sustaining



Staff Sgt. Lynne Lantin / DCOM-SPO/NTM-A PAO

Col. Darren Werner, commander of the 21st Theater Sustainment Command's 16th Sustainment Brigade, and Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Rodriguez, command sergeant major of the 16th Sust. Bde., uncased the brigade colors during a transfer of authority ceremony, Nov. 30. The 16th Sust. Bde. officially took over operations in Afghanistan from the 13th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary) in support of NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan.

the Afghan National Security Force to develop its leaders and to establish an enduring institutional capacity to enable accountable Afghan-led security."

Werner takes over as the deputy commander for the DCOM-SPO, NTM-A mission.

Brig. Gen. Clark W. LeMasters, the

commander of the 13th ESC and outgoing DCOM-SPO commander, welcomed the 16th Sust. Bde. as he said goodbye to friends and comrades.

"You have a new team member now who is equally committed to the same goals, and those are your goals," said LeMasters as

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### Junior officer coordinates Santa visit



Michele Bradfield / USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs

First Lt. Aaron Weyburn of the 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment, coordinated Santa and his elves' visit during the squadron's Christmas party Dec. 8. With him, Santa gave a Battalion Buddy Bear and an individual gift to each child. Weyburn and Family Readiness Group volunteers coordinated the event. Operation Gratitude and stateside donors provided the gifts.

### Don't get burned:

Kindle safe holiday season with fire awareness

By Bryan Gatchell,  
USAG Ansbach Public Affairs

ANSBACH, Germany – A candle left unattended sets alight a gauzy curtain caught by a draft. An amateur holiday chef, attempting to deep-fry a turkey for the first time, fails to thaw and drain the turkey properly and splashes a powerful grease fire. A loose string of Christmas tree lights, recently gnawed upon by a housecat, with an exposed wire heats and ignites the dry, woolen mantle of the Christmas tree.

These are a few of the examples of how holiday mishaps that can turn a warm, delightful season into

a smoldering ruin. According to the U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach's Fire and Emergency Services, fire safety is incredibly important, and the consequences of not paying attention to fire safety could prove dire, no matter what time of the year it is.

"Fires destroy your private environment, and you might even lose a loved one," said Stefan Groetschel, chief of FES. "Each season requires different fire safety awareness. During winter, families need to focus more on fire safety in regard to decoration, heating sources, Christmas trees and

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# IMCOM Command Team wishes happy holidays

By Lt. Gen. Mike Ferriter,  
IMCOM Command Team

It's been immortalized in carols as "the most wonderful time of the year," and it is for the Army's home. It's a wonderful time to be part of U.S. Army Installation Management Command. We have an incredible workforce and mission. Ours is a diverse team made up of Soldiers, civilians and family members. The IMCOM team hails from every corner of the globe, with differing cultures and beliefs – all united in the service of others. It's just the right mix to support troops, provide programs and offer world class customer service to the best trained Army in the world. Whether anticipating Christmas, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah or time among family and friends during this holiday season, know that you are a valued member of the team. Command Sgt. Maj. Earl Rice and I can never thank you



Ferriter

enough for the life of service and sacrifice you've chosen and for the opportunity to share that with you here at IMCOM, the Army's home.

We hope that this holiday season provides opportunities for reflection, recreation and renewed commitment to improvement. Team, we've accomplished a lot in the last ten years – developing our workforce, being good stewards of financial and environmental resources, improving the quality of life in Army communities worldwide. IMCOM is a world-class operation because of you.

Our mission is complex – a job that is 24 hours a day, seven days a week. While some can rest briefly, others may not. Remember your teammates who will be manning facilities,

servicing chow to deployed troops or helping newly arrived families find lodging. This is the essence of what we do every day – provide a quality of life commensurate with their quality of service.

Now more than ever is the time to remember your family and extended Army family as well – battle buddies, co-workers and the person next to you now. As you travel or attend celebrations, be mindful of your actions and surroundings, keeping safety and responsibility to your teammates and families in mind.

We wish you and your families a happy holiday season, prosperous New Year and look forward to starting 2013 with each member of this team, ready, resilient and committed to the next step in enhancing the lives of our Soldiers. Army strong!



Rice

## IMCOM provides relevant training, programs for transition Soldiers, Families

By IMCOM Public Affairs

SAN ANTONIO – The U.S. Army Installation Management Command is committed to assisting Soldiers and Families transition smoothly into civilian employment and America's communities. In response to the President's and U.S. Army's emphasis on a career-ready military, IMCOM is highlighting job fairs, expanding its transition services, and is keenly focused on identifying employment opportunities within the command as well as business and industry.

"Our Soldiers deserve the best we can offer them, including the best opportunities for the future," said Lt. Gen. Mike Ferriter, commanding general, U.S. Army Installation Management Command. "We're making sure

Soldiers can't slip through the cracks. We will do everything we can to help prepare them for civilian life as thoroughly as we equip them for battle," he said. "We owe that to our veterans in exchange for their life of service and sacrifice to this Nation."

All transitioning Soldiers, from those retiring to first term enlistees, have a wealth of opportunity at their fingertips thanks in large part to the Veterans Opportunity to Work Act, which Congress approved in October 2011. The VOW Act is the driving force behind the completely revamped transition program, according to Kenric Echols, chief of Military Personnel, IMCOM G1.

"Changes went into effect on November 21," Echols said, "but



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**U.S. Army Garrison Yongsan's Army Community Services Job Fair Sept. 12 gives Soldiers and potential employers the opportunity to connect.**

we're already getting lots of phone calls and inquiries about the new transition program. The intent is to better prepare Soldiers and their Families and get them in touch with potential employers – hopefully resulting in job offers."

That's good news for Soldiers, the Army and the nation, according to Ferriter.

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(UNCASING, from Page 1) he addressed his Afghan partners in the audience. “I’ve seen great and many accomplishments in the short time I’ve been in Afghanistan. I ask you to continue that momentum. The logistic support you provide enables your security forces to stand between your people and those who wish to destroy all that you have earned in many years of war.”

Lt. Gen. Daniel P. Bolger, the commander of NTM-A and guest speaker at the ceremony, said goodbye to the Soldiers of the 13th ESC, praising them for their accomplishments over the past year. He also welcomed the 16th Sust. Bde. and expressed his confidence that it will continue the mission with great success.

“Today, the 16th Sustainment Brigade takes over,” said Bolger, a native of Aurora, Ill. “The 16th

motto on their flag is ‘Logistics, the key to win.’ You’ll see that key right on their unit insignia and it’s partnered with a battleaxe, because sometimes you have to kill some bad guys to get where you need to go. Since it formed, the 16th has both fought and sustained in campaign after campaign to include four deployments to Iraq, and now the 16th is here in Afghanistan. Your mission’s as straight forward as your motto; help the Afghans provide the key and win this thing. That’s why we’re here.”

“Although we case the colors of the 13th Sustainment Command, and uncase the colors of the 16th Sustainment Brigade, this ceremony is not just about those two units,” said LeMasters during his closing speech. “It’s about the incredible teamwork of the entire DCOM-SPO. It is not

just about these Soldiers who stand a common purpose. And although here today representing these two we wear different uniforms, we units. It’s about many nations, work together to accomplish the many people coming together for NTM-A mission every single day.”



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**Command Sgt. Maj. Ismael Rodriguez, the command sergeant major of the 21st Theater Sustainment Command’s 16th Sustainment Brigade, leads the formation during a transfer of authority ceremony, Nov. 30. The 16th Sust. Bde. officially took over operations in Afghanistan from the 13th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary) in support of NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan.**

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What does the new program look like? Soldiers transitioning this fiscal year will receive mandatory pre-separation counseling that includes in-depth discussion of veterans’ benefits, financial planning, civilian employment readiness training, and a heavy emphasis on individualized transition plans over a longer time period. Transitioning Soldiers can also expect more individual attention and counseling on resume writing and practice interviews. And depending on a Soldier’s preference, the program will include a detailed workshop focusing on one of three areas – education, technical skills or small business ownership.

Spouses are highly encouraged to participate in the five-day transition program as well, according to Echols.

“We highly encourage spouses to attend the entire session alongside their Soldier,” Echols said. “They can attend all sessions or some and we have resources to help them in their search for employment as well.”

IMCOM has already found that engaged and educated spouses are a key enabler to a successful transition from military service.

Job fairs are a critical part of the process.

Echols emphasized that they provide a meeting place for military members and employers to connect, provide valuable networking opportunities, and give Soldiers better insight into the pay available within the private and public sectors. Garrisons around the globe are now required to host a minimum of two employment events, such as community job fairs, each fiscal year. Many garrisons are exceeding that goal by partnering with other agencies such as the U.S. Chamber of Commerce which has a proven track record for connecting business to our talented Soldiers.

“We are also expanding the use of job fairs, allowing Soldiers to engage potential employers remotely, even from overseas,” he said.

Soldiers can sign up for a virtual career fair program at [www.acap.army.mil](http://www.acap.army.mil). A listing and details on all the IMCOM job fairs is available at [www.imcom.army.mil/Organization/GIPersonnel/ACAP/JobFairMap.aspx](http://www.imcom.army.mil/Organization/GIPersonnel/ACAP/JobFairMap.aspx).

Federal employment is another great avenue available to Soldiers. It’s estimated that as much as 60 percent of the federal civilian workforce will be retiring in the next decade. This opens a wide variety of federal jobs, and few people will be more qualified to fill those

positions than today’s Soldiers. Those who have served in combat, have been decorated for valor, or have combat related injuries or disabilities, may find entry into federal service easier due to veterans’ preferences and streamlined hiring practices.

The Army relies heavily on Army civilians every day. Army civilians write contracts, deliver goods, manage networks, and provide support functions that would otherwise present distractions to training and wartime operations. Civilians man the training ranges, run the finance offices, and in some cases cook the meals and manage the personnel actions. From the sound of reveille to when a Soldier turns out the lights in the barracks at the end of the day, Soldiers are supported by their civilian counterparts.

“I’m certain that in the coming decades our Soldiers will give this country as much as they have in the past 10 years of war,” Ferriter said. “While it’s important to do all we can to support them no matter what path they choose after separating or retiring, we’re also positioning the Army of 2020 to retain their knowledge, skills, enthusiasm, patriotism and willingness to serve.”

## ‘Hiring Our Heroes’ connects veterans with jobs

WASHINGTON – More than 400 veterans and military spouses headed out to the Washington Nationals baseball park the morning of Dec. 7 to talk with 87 potential employers as part of the on-going nationwide “Hiring Our Heroes” campaign.

The “Hiring Our Heroes” campaign was first launched in March 2011 as a way to engage the business community ...

To read more on this story, click [here](#).



## Army improves garbage-to-energy prototype

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md. – The year was 2008 and the on-going war in Iraq was dangerous for Soldiers on the ground, especially convoys traveling to and from base camps.

Roadside bombs and enemy ambushes were frequent occurrences for U.S. Armed Forces transporting fuel, a risk that may be reduced if camps are equipped with a Tactical Garbage to Energy Refinery prototype.

To read more on this story, click [here](#).



# Schweinfurt Health Clinic eliminates sick call:

## A message from the Schweinfurt Health Clinic commander

Lt. Col. Chadwick A. Bowers,  
USAG Schweinfurt Health Clinic commander

SCHWEINFURT, Germany – Community leaders, in an effort to improve the patient continuity of care and operating within the confines of Patient Centered Medical Home, the Schweinfurt health clinic eliminated the current outdated sick call system Dec. 1.

The traditional sick call has been eliminated at most posts across the enterprise for those units without organic medical assets. There were many problems with this system of care where Soldiers often saw several different providers and only received Band-Aid fixes for medical complaints without having any continuity of ongoing medical issues.

The Schweinfurt health clinic is now in a position where it may assign all Soldiers a Primary Care Manager with the goal of one provider taking care of all the Soldier's health needs.

When acute issues arise, the goal is for the Soldiers to be scheduled with their PCM. Soldiers will receive first priority for the morning appointments, which is similar to the system currently in place. However, the Soldier should call for an appointment rather than going directly to the clinic as they are currently doing. The phone number to the appointment line is 09721-96-7901.

The advantages for leaders to have Soldiers with scheduled appointments include not missing morning formations, increased



Leslie Brians / USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs

As of Dec. 1, the Schweinfurt health clinic no longer provides the sick call system, but has updated the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) to ultimately ensure better healthcare, says Lt. Col. Chadwick A. Bowers, USAG Schweinfurt health clinic commander.

accountability and better health care.

The health clinic understands that acute events will occur and they will deal with those cases on an individual basis. Our team

of professional registered nurses will provide acute triage for these cases and assist with appointments if one is deemed necessary.

# Free ride program Schweinfurt offers to curb DUIs starts up

By Nathan Van Shaik,  
USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs

SCHWEINFURT, Germany – An initiative here aimed at curbing a spike in drunken driving cases by providing a vehicle pick-up

service is set to get under way Dec. 14 and 15.

Armed Forces Against Drunk Driving, or AADD, is a private organization whose top priority is to save lives and reduce the rate

of DUIs in the Schweinfurt area, said Lt. Col. Mitch Butterworth, chaplain for the 7th Theater Tactical Signal Brigade in Schweinfurt, who has taken the lead in building an Armed Forces Against Drunk Driving chapter in Schweinfurt.

The program offers free transportation for only those individuals who have driven their own vehicle, but are too intoxicated to drive home, according to the organization's promotional flyer.

The confidential service is available Friday and Saturday nights from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. and is offered to all DOD cardholders.

To use the service, simply dial any of the AADD call center numbers at 0174-804-3898 or 0174-810-7577.

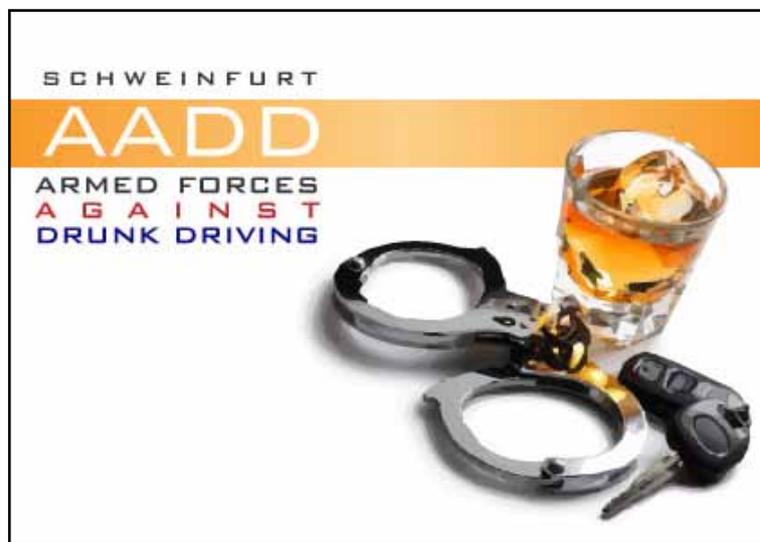
According to Stacey Sadler, AADD communications coordinator, the program works like this. If an individual has driven to a location where he then

consumes alcohol, he would then have the option to call the AADD hotline. AADD operators would respond and dispatch a vehicle with two drivers, who then drive to the caller's location — most likely a bar or club. One of the AADD drivers then drives the intoxicated person and his or her vehicle home.

The program is not geared to provide rides to pedestrians, said Sadler.

Modeled after the AADD that operates in Kaiserslautern where it has proved successful there, the program will provide Soldiers consuming alcohol on weekend nights with a free and confidential vehicle pick-up service.

More volunteers are needed to answer phones and drive vehicles for pick-up. To get involved, call 0173-794-2998 or 0160-987-98955, or visit the Schweinfurt AADD Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/SchweinfurtAADD](http://www.facebook.com/SchweinfurtAADD).



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# PEP alumnae reunite at Nürnberg Christmas market

By Heidi Sanders,  
USAG Bamberg Public Affairs  
NÜRNBERG, Germany  
— Two dozen spouses who participated in U.S. Army Garrison Bamberg's People Encouraging People program in 2012 met up for a reunion trip to the Nürnberg Christmas Market on Dec. 6.

PEP, which was started in 1993, has provided spouses with a week-long orientation to Warner Barracks and the surrounding community. It includes information sessions from various on- and off-post organizations as well as introductions to the local bus and train systems and local hospital.

This year, 24 PEP graduates took part in the reunion. The group met at the Community Activity Center and took the city bus to the train station. They then took the train to Nürnberg to check out the world-famous Christmas market.

Kimberly Millner, PEP coordinator for Army Community Service since 2006, said this year's reunion went well.

"The weather was nice," Millner said. "The group was a little smaller than what we are used to but it was still fun."

Carolina Rodriguez, who

arrived in Bamberg in August and took part in PEP in September, said she enjoyed the reunion.

"It was good to see people you did class with originally and meet new folks," Rodriguez said.

Marissa Gonzales, who has lived in Bamberg since October, said she was impressed with Nürnberg's Christmas Market.

"Seeing all the Christmas stuff helps me get in to the spirit," Gonzales said.

Nicole Naylor, who arrived in Bamberg in September and participated in PEP in November, said she prefers the experience of Holiday shopping in the Christmas markets versus in the malls in the U.S.

"It is more pleasant shopping here than in the states," Naylor said. "You don't have the chaos."

Naylor said PEP provided her with an abundance of information that has helped her since she has been in Germany. She said a useful tool was a book she received during the course that contained lots of helpful information.

"Anything you need to know is in that book," she said. "I have it in my car."

The PEP reunion participants



Heidi Sanders / USAG Bamberg Public Affairs

**Tamika Blankenship, looks at figurines made from nuts and prunes at the Nürnberg Christmas Market on Dec. 5. Blakenship traveled to the Christmas market along with other alumnae of Bamberg's People Encouraging People, a program geared at orienting spouses with their new home in Germany.**

had a couple of hours to wander around Nürnberg's Christmas market, enjoying sampling baked Christmas gifts. Even though the visit was

short, Tamika Blankenship, who lived in Germany since October, said she enjoyed getting a taste of the Christmas market.

"I can come back when I have more time and I am not so rushed," Blakenship said.

## Bamberg FCC offers amnesty to unauthorized child care providers

USAG Schweinfurt, Ansbach to follow

By Family Child Care

BAMBERG, Germany — Twice a year Child, Youth and School Services offers the Family Child Care Amnesty Program.

Through this program, people providing unauthorized child care have the opportunity to register with the Family Child Care program without penalty. U.S. Army Garrison Bamberg's FCC is offering an amnesty period through Jan. 1. Any caregiver who contacts Bamberg's FCC during this time may be allowed to continue caring for children while actively completing the certification process.

The amnesty program will be offered at USAG Schweinfurt in January and USAG Ansbach in March.

Occasional child care between friends and neighbors is not regulated by either the Department of the Army or community policy. Unauthorized child care is caring for a child in government quarters other than the child's home for more than 10 child care hours a week on a regular basis. When neighbors care for a child less than 10 hours a week on a consistent basis or temporarily in excess of 10 hours, such

as during temporary, overnights and weekends, it is not unauthorized care.

A child who receives care from a babysitter or nanny in the child's home is not considered unauthorized by the Army Regulation 608-10. Care is considered unauthorized when that same person provides care to any children other than the occupants of the apartment for more than ten hours a week on a consistent basis.

CYSS does not assume the non-certified caregiver is providing bad care; however, child care provided on the installation that exceeds the 10-hour rule must be approved by the garrison commander to avoid legal recourse. Consequences to the sponsor may include termination of government quarters, financial liability for injury or death to the child as well as German and U.S. tax liability.

The certification process includes registration of the caregiver and all children under care, an inspection of quarters by fire, safety and preventive medicine, background checks and valuable training. The certification process is free to qualified applicants.

Certified FCC providers receive financial benefits such as tax-free income, eligibility for no cost liability insurance and partial reimbursement of start-up cost and food. The certified provider has access to a FCC lending library with equipment and resource material. Professional benefits include on-going training and assistance from the FCC staff who are dedicated to helping each FCC Provider succeed. Also being a FCC Provider is a career that transfers with few additional requirements from post to post.

If you are caring for children in quarters other than their home for more than 10 hours a week on a regular basis, take advantage of this amnesty period. Become a Family Child Care Professional and receive the benefits and recognition for the valuable service you provide.

For additional information, contact Sheila Schellpfeffer, Bamberg's FCC Director, at 0951-300-8035. Additional information concerning the FCC Program may be found on the USAG-Bamberg FCC page at [www.bamberg.army.mil](http://www.bamberg.army.mil).

# Drunken driving leads motorists to bad legal byroads

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USAG Ansbach Legal Office

ANSBACH, Germany – The winter season is upon us, and with it comes Christmas markets and winter fests. Around the area are many opportunities to experience the German culture of festing, but as service members and families, we have to remember that our actions can have negative consequences. Specifically, driving while under the influence or intoxicated can impact your life, your family, your career and the community.

Drunk driving is dangerous. Your ability to react is impaired, even after one beer. According to the Army Substance Abuse Program, one 12-ounce American beer is equal to .5-ounces of pure alcohol, which raises the average person's blood-alcohol content, or BAC, to .03 percent. German beer is usually stronger than what Americans are used to. One .25-liter German beer equals .75- to 1-ounce pure alcohol, which raises the average person's BAC to .04 to .06 percent.

A driver can also get points on their license if someone else is driving their car drunk. Being in the car with the keys while under the influence of alcohol, even sleeping in the back seat, is considered being in control of the motor vehicle while under the influence.

Being caught driving under the influence will result in your U.S. Forces certificate of license being suspended or revoked. When you are charged with operating a motor vehicle with a BAC of .05 to .079 percent by volume of whole blood, it is mandatory that administrative action is taken to suspend or revoke your license, even if there is no UCMJ action taken.

Licenses can be suspended if the driver is caught operating a motor vehicle with a BAC of .05 to .079 percent (considered driving under the influence, suspended for 90 days); the driver is found to have abused alcohol or controlled substances (maximal suspension of 180 days); the driver is under investigation for an alcohol-related incident (immediate suspension until investigation resolved).

If younger than 21, any amount of alcohol in the driver's blood up to .049 percent by volume of whole blood, will result in immediate suspension. The 30-60-90 rule determines the length of suspension. For the first offense, the license is suspended for 30 days; for the second offense, it is suspended for 60 days; and for the third offense it is suspended for 90 days. The driver may also be subject to a monetary fine or other civilian administrative action by the German Polizei if they are caught off the installation.

The driver's license can be revoked if the driver operates a motor vehicle with a BAC of .08 percent by volume of whole blood or higher ("driving while intoxicated" or DWI,



Mark Iacampo / Army News Service

**In this file photo, Spc. Justin McCalips gets a sober perspective on drunken driving behind the wheel of a driving simulator that mimics the effect of alcohol on a driver during the Save a Life Tour in Hohenfels, Germany.**

immediate revocation, must wait one year before appeal); the driver is convicted by a military or civilian court or received non-judicial punishment or had been subject to military or civilian administrative action for drunk driving or driving while impaired by a substance under UCMJ Art 112a (immediate revocation, must wait one year before appeal); the driver is caught committing a second alcohol-related offense including operating a motor vehicle with a BAC of .05 to .079 percent (immediate revocation, must wait 5 years before appeal).

If the driver has a record of three alcohol-related traffic offenses, they will be prohibited from ever receiving a U.S. Forces certificate of license.

UCMJ Article 111 covers "drunken or reckless operation of a vehicle, aircraft, or vessel" and UCMJ Article 112a addresses "wrongful use, possession, etc. of controlled substances." Drinking and driving, or using drugs and driving, could result in UCMJ action.

Army Commanders will take appropriate action against intoxicated drivers. A written reprimand will be issued to the Soldier who is driving or in physical control of the motor vehicle with a BAC of .08 percent by volume or higher. Refusing to take or failing to complete a

lawfully requested test when there is reasonable belief of driving under the influence of alcohol will also get the driver a written reprimand. Every U.S. Forces certificate of license includes an implied consent provision. This means that every driver consents to chemical tests for alcohol or other drugs on their breath or in their blood or urine if lawfully stopped, apprehended or cited for any offense allegedly committed while driving or otherwise in physical control of a motor vehicle.

Commanders can also review the service records of active-duty Soldiers apprehended for alcohol-related offenses. They will determine if other actions need to be taken, including administrative reduction, bar to reenlistment or administrative separation.

This does not have to happen! Make a plan before you go out. Have a Designated Driver when you go to a Christmas market, bar, club or a night on the town. Know who you can call if you get stuck somewhere. Sleep at a friend's house. Take a taxi home. There are many options; driving drunk does not have to be one of them.

If you run into trouble, visit the Ansbach Legal Assistance Office, located at Katterbach Kaserne, Bldg. 5817 on the third floor, or call at 09802-83-2103.

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sources, Christmas trees and candles. The situation will change during the summer when families enjoy being outside together while barbecuing and enjoying the countryside.”

According to Groetschel, organization, common sense and good housekeeping on the part of the homeowner or tenant can reduce the risk of fire by more than 90 percent. There are, however, many additional details to watch out for during the holiday season.

Candles are small open-flame sources. Candles are made to be open-flame sources, but this makes them a risk for catching other proximate objects on fire. Candles should always be on a stable surface away from children or pets, be placed far away from flammable or combustible materials and should never be left unattended. Candles should be extinguished before going to bed.

With an increase in electrical decorative devices during the holiday season – strings of lights, miniature train sets, rock-and-roll Santa Claus robots – it may become tempting for holiday hosts to overload their electrical outlets. Too many plugs in one outlet can cause the wires to heat up and ignite the wall. Portable transformers must be switched off or unplugged if not in use. Also, transformers, in addition to coffee-makers and water heaters, should be placed on a non-combustible material.

Cooking is an activity that happens year-round, but baked goods and the holidays usually go hand-in-hand. This means holiday chefs should always have an eye on what they’re cooking.

“Watch what you heat, especially when you use the hot plates on the stove,” said Groetschel.

There is also a growing holiday tradition that Groetschel warns about, and that is flash-frying the turkeys. When the turkey is not



Tom Wiley / Hunter Army Airfield Station Chief

In this Army News Service photo, a home in the New Savannah housing area at Hunter Army Airfield, Ga., catches fire Nov. 28, 2011.

properly thawed or drained, the result can be catastrophic.

“Oil and water don’t mix,” said Groetschel. “Water causes oil to spatter and spill, causing fire or even explosion. The turkey fryers are propane gas operated with no thermostat control. The oil will continue to heat until it bursts into flame. Turkey fryers can easily tip over when not placed on a flat surface and oil can spill, which will immediately ignite on the open heating flames.”

To learn more about fire safety, Soldiers and Families can call the USAG Ansbach Fire Dispatch Center’s non-emergency line at 09802-95-8632 or 09802-83-2822,

USAG Bamberg at 0951-300-8887 or USAG Schweinfurt at 09721-87-711. Fire inspectors are willing to answer questions, provide fire safety tips and even perform courtesy inspection in apartments and homes.

FES also recommends checking smoke detectors monthly, having an escape route planned in case of a fire, and pre-programming emergency numbers into all phones.

The fire emergency number for civilians is 09802-83117 for the Ansbach area, 09841-83117 for the Illesheim area, 09721-96117 for the Schweinfurt area and 09513-00117 for the Bamberg area.

## Ansbach tree lighting

**Right:** Emily Jones meets Santa at the Katterbach Bowling Alley following USAG Ansbach’s Katterbach Kaserne tree-lighting ceremony Dec. 7.

**Below:** The Christmas tree at Bismarck Kaserne shines over neighboring Katterbach Kaserne following the tree-lighting ceremony for those kasernes.



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## Country time in Illesheim

**Left:** Country singer Aaron Tippin gets the crowd pumped up during his concert Dec. 11 at Storck Fitness Center. Tippin performed for more than 300 people and was joined by the country trio, The Lowry Sisters.

**Below:** Col. Kelly Lawler, U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach commander, shares a laugh with The Lowry Sisters country music trio after their performance Dec. 11 at Storck Fitness Center for more than 300 Soldiers, Family members and civilians. Lawler presented them with a commemorative wooden plaque on behalf of the USAG Ansbach community.



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## Mighty Dogs score one for Army Emergency Relief

By Capt. Anthony R. Cato,  
72nd Expeditionary Signal Bn.

SCHWEINFURT, Germany – Soldiers and family members of the Schweinfurt Military Community, along with the 72nd Expeditionary Signal Battalion, joined the Schweinfurt Mighty Dogs as the team hosted a Military Appreciation Night Oct. 19.

That evening, they squared off against the Freiburg Woelfe on the ice. Although the Mighty Dogs lost an exciting and very close game in the last few minutes, all was not lost.

The event raised more than \$500 that benefited the Schweinfurt Army Emergency Relief for Soldiers and family members in need of financial support.

The Mighty Dogs' management team was there to present the check to the senior military leadership within the community.

“The event was a huge success. The Schweinfurt Mighty Dogs have the best fans. It’s great to see so many Americans in the stands supporting the fundraising event as well as enjoying good hockey,” said Capt. Bryce Hollweg, operations officer for the 72nd ESB and the team’s only American player.

The hockey team is holding another special Military Appreciation Night Feb. 22 in hopes of furthering the friendship with the Army community here.



Capt. Anthony R. Cato / 72nd Expeditionary Signal Battalion

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## Franconia Military Community Announcements

### Flu Vaccines

Flu vaccines are now available at your local health clinic. An annual average of 36,000 deaths and 226,000 hospitalizations occur each year in the U.S. due to influenza infections. Annual flu vaccinations are the most effective method for preventing influenza virus infections and its complications. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/flu-shot-video>.

### 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 [www.cid.army.mil/join\\_CID.html](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 smartphone browsers. The launch of a mobile device version will optimize Army OneSource the mobile experience for visitors. Visit [www.myarmyonesource.com](http://www.myarmyonesource.com) today.

## Recycling Idea

Paper and envelopes can be reused to write notes and lists on before being recycled.

### Get EFMP Registered

Is your Soldier coming back from deployment? 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 Service 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. To learn more, 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, 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. To learn more, visit [www.vfw.org/Community/Scout-of-the-Year-Scholarship](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 [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov).

### Edelweiss Resort

Ongoing specials and packages are available for 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 information, visit [www.edelweisslodgeandresort.com](http://www.edelweisslodgeandresort.com).

### Utility Tax Relief Services

The 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. To learn more, 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 Service's Family Advocacy Program is here to provide help and support by offering 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 a 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](http://www.tricareonline.com). To learn more, visit [www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7VeUlyTMA4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7VeUlyTMA4).



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## Ansbach Community Announcements

Send all announcements to Ansbach Public Affairs at [usarmy.ansbach.imcom-europe.list.webmaster@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.ansbach.imcom-europe.list.webmaster@mail.mil).

### Holiday Photo Contest

Now through midnight Dec. 16, send us your photos illustrating what the holiday season means to you. We will post them to a photo album Dec. 17, and the photographer with the most "Likes" by Dec. 26 gets two flex tickets to the Terrace Playhouse. Send photos to [paoansbach@yahoo.com](mailto:paoansbach@yahoo.com) with "Capture the Moment" or "Holiday Photo Contest" in the subject line. To learn more, visit "Capture the Moment general rules" in the Notes section of the USAG Ansbach Facebook page.

### Inclement Weather Info

In the past few days there have been many questions and requests for information about weather conditions. We have heard you and have created a website filled with this information. Visit our new "What You Should Know when Inclement Weather Comes to USAG Ansbach" at [www.ansbach.army.mil/web%20pages/InclementWeather.asp](http://www.ansbach.army.mil/web%20pages/InclementWeather.asp). You can find the link to the webpage under the Weather Information menu item on the left side of the homepage and, when the popup menu shows, select "What you should know."

### Christmas Markets

Army Community Service will be taking the train to several Franconia Christmas markets. On Dec. 13 head to Rothenberg and check out Ansbach's market on Dec. 20. All trips depart at 8:30 a.m. and return around 5 p.m. The cost is approximately 20 euros for the train and food. To learn more or sign up, call Katterbach ACS at 09802-83-2883 or Storck ACS at 09841-38-4555.

### Volunteers needed at Arts & Crafts

Seeking volunteer and contract teachers one to two times per month for sewing, cake decoration, felting, general crafts and more. Open to all ID cardholders. No experience needed – just a happy personality and a creative idea to share. Send an email to [AnsbachArtsCrafts@eur.army.mil](mailto:AnsbachArtsCrafts@eur.army.mil).

### Research Assistant Opportunity

An energetic, dynamic and knowledgeable person is required to fill the new health promotion research assistant position that will be assigned to assist the Health Promotion Operations responsible for the Franconia Military Community area. The HPRA is responsible for

the day-to-day administrative support of the program as well as researching trends, statistics and collecting existing data necessary to track the impact of the HP program on the local installation. The HPRA supports the mission of HPO by developing strategies and protocols and managing, coordinating and producing research that supports and invigorates the installation health promotion process. These activities directly respond to the health promotion strategic and operational plans as they relate to continuous quality improvement of the health of the installation. The project will involve developing research methodologies, collecting, organizing, analyzing, interpreting, reporting, communicating and disseminating high-quality data and information regarding installation characteristics, activities and operations. Completion of a bachelor's or equivalent work experience is required with associated research knowledge. Minimal travel is required. This is a contract position equivalent to a GS-7. Anyone interested in applying should email their resume to [darrel.d.kniss@us.army.mil](mailto:darrel.d.kniss@us.army.mil).

### Eagle's Nest Recreation Hall

The Barton Barracks Eagle's Nest Recreation Hall, next to the Duggan Gym, offers a full kitchen with an area to seat more than 30 people. The Eagle's Nest is open to all community members. To learn more or to reserve, call 0981-183-7848 or send an email to [usarmy.ansbach.imcom-europe.mbx.ioc@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.ansbach.imcom-europe.mbx.ioc@mail.mil).

### 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. Parents' Day Out will be Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Parents' Night Out will be Jan. 11 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Visit Parent Central Services or Webtrac to sign up. To learn more, call 09802-83-2533 or 09841-83-4880.

### ISCC Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers

Looking for a fun and rewarding way to help others and give back to your community? Look no further than the Illesheim Spouses & Civilians Club Thrift Shop. Volunteer openings include sorting donations, organizing clothes, tagging items and general housekeeping. Volunteers will receive \$5 store credit for working a full shift. Profits from the Thrift Shop are given back to the Illesheim community in the form of welfare grants and scholarships. Thrift Shop hours are as follows: Tuesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Thursday from noon to 3 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to noon, and the first Saturday of each month from noon to 3 p.m. For more information, send an email to [illesheim.iscc@gmail.com](mailto:illesheim.iscc@gmail.com).

### Bowling Membership Club Card

Join the Katterbach and Storck Bowling Center club for \$25. The membership is valid for one year and members will receive \$1.50 games, free show rental, a free T-shirt and a few bowling towels. To learn more, call Katterbach Bowling Center at 09802-83-2638 or Storck Bowling Center at 09841-83-4530.

### Movie Night

Enjoy a movie free at the Storck Library every Friday at 3 p.m. To learn more, call 09841-83-4675.

### Stress and Anger Management

Don't be an angry bird! Help is available through a stress and anger management class. The class is offered on the first Wednesday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. at Katterbach Army Community Service or on the fourth Tuesday of the month from 2 to 4 p.m. at Storck ACS. Sign up today by calling the ACS Family Advocacy Program at 09802-83-2516.

### Brown Bag Lunch

Bring a lunch and explore a new town with Army Community Service. The meeting place is ACS on the first Wednesday of every month at Katterbach and the fourth

**Weekly Events**

Thursdays: Pool Night.....5 - 10p.m  
 Fridays: Open Mic Night.....5p.m. - 12a.m.  
 Saturdays: Poker Night.....5p.m. - 12a.m.

**Special Event**

20 Dec: BOSS Christmas Dinner.....7p.m. - 10p.m

MWR CIV: 09841.83.4584 DSN: 467.4584  
 Storck Barracks.....Bldg. 6642

Wednesday of every month at Storck Barracks. Meet at 10:30 a.m. Cost is 10 to 15 Euros. To learn more, call 09841-83-4555.

### Health Clinic Improvements

The Katterbach Health Clinic has a new front entrance just in time for the 2012 flu vaccine campaign. Stop by the Katterbach Health Clinic for your 2012 flu shot and experience the renovations, which are designed to improve the patient experience.

### Closures and Changes

#### Resurfacing of B-14

Resurfacing is ongoing for state road B-14 along Urlas and Shipton Kaserne. The speed limit is reduced to 50 kilometers per hour and the temporary traffic light at the Shipton/Urlas access is removed. Access and exit to and from Obereichenbach will remain the same. During phase one, two lanes going toward Katterbach will be resurfaced. Entering from Katterbach and exiting toward Ansbach will remain possible. There will be a detour exiting toward Katterbach and entering from Ansbach, offering two

**USAG ANSBACH OFFICIAL SHUTTLE BUS SCHEDULE**

**ANSBACH AND ILLESHEIM SHUTTLE SERVICES**

In observance of the Christmas/New Year's Holiday Season the USAG Ansbach Shuttle Service will not be available on the following dates:

14 Dec 12	Garrison Christmas party
24 - 26 Dec 12	Host Nation and U.S. Holidays
31 Dec 12 - 1 Jan 13	Host Nation and U.S. Holidays

FOR INFO CALL: DSN: 468-1800/7755, CIV: 0981-183-1800/7755

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**Soldier Trips**  
 Single Soldiers - Geo Bachelors  
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**New Years in London** \$399 per person  
 double-room  
 \$539  
 single room

Depart Ansbach on 28 Dec  
 Return 1 Jan 2013

3 Nights 3 Star Hotel  
 Guided City Tour

Sign up by 28 Nov  
 At Concierge in the  
 Von Steuben Community  
 Center

DSN: 467.2921  
 CIV: 09802.83.2921

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

# Christmas Markets

**Take the train with ACS!**  
 Departs 8:30 a.m., Returns 5 p.m.  
 Cost: Approx 20 euros for train & food  
 DEC 6... Nürnberg  
 DEC 13... Rothenberg  
 DEC 20... Ansbach

**Sign up with your ACS!**

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will be first come, first served. The cost is \$3 per person per class.

**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 unique 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 class. Season 9 elements will be part of the new activities for the next three months. The fee per participant is \$3. To learn more, call 0151-1157-0210.

**New Aerobic Class at Katterbach**

A new aerobic class called "Power XTREME" is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. at the Katterbach Fitness Center. This class includes a variety of fitness components for optimal health and fitness improvements. To learn more, call 09802-83-2771.

**Youth and Teens**

**FRG Child Care Night**

Child care is available for mission-related Family Readiness Group meetings on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. To learn more, call Parent Central Services at 09841-83-4880 or 09802-83-2533.

**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 12th grade are welcome. To join or learn more, email [gsansbach@yahoo.com](mailto:gsansbach@yahoo.com) or call 0151-445-12471.

**Weekly Reminders**

**Safety Hazard on B-13**

A safety hazard exists on B-13 between Ansbach and Illesheim north of Oberdachstetten, where there is a steep decline that goes under a railroad overpass. One lane of traffic goes down the hill and two lanes of traffic goes up the hill. Do not pass.

**Pet Reminder**

Remember that all pets at U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach installations need to be on leashes when outside. Also, 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 bins. Please be sure that only clothes and shoes are placed in these containers. Please also ensure neighbors are 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.

**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 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; including videos and slide shows.

**Reserve Space**

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

**Java Time**

Come to Java Café for warm drinks and free Internet access at Storck Barracks' Bowling Center. The café is

## Math & Science

**Hands On Experiments Solutions & Fun!**

**December 11 • 4 p.m.**  
 Bleidorn Community Library

**December 13 • 4 p.m.**  
 Storck Community Library

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possibilities to turn around: One at Hotel Windmühle and one at Obereichenbach. During phase two, two lanes going toward Ansbach will be resurfaced. The current access near the traffic light will be blocked and drivers coming from Katterbach toward Ansbach will be detoured by Soldiers Lake. The detour for exiting toward Katterbach and entering from Ansbach will remain in place.

**Sports, Health and Fitness**

**Sweat Shop**

Sweat Shop is a new class at Katterbach geared toward customers that need a cardiovascular component as a mode of physical fitness. Unlike some classes that are high intensity, this is a full class of cardiovascular activities aimed to boost the body's maximal ability to utilize oxygen. The class takes place Mondays from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$3 per person per class.

**TRX Training**

This new mode of training is offered at Storck Barracks Bunch Physical Fitness Center on Thursdays from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. TRX is core-based training that has benefits not achieved from other modes of training like traditional weight training. The class is limited to eight people and

open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The café is now open Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information, call 09841-83-4530.

**Spouses and Civilians' Club**

The Ansbach Spouses and Civilians' Club is a great way to meet people, develop new interests and get involved with your community. For more information, email [ascgermany@googlemail.com](mailto:ascgermany@googlemail.com).

**Taxi Service**

Ask for a driver with a U.S. installation pass and provide the following information: pickup point, number of passengers, destination, name and number, and time of pickup. If traveling to the airport, notify the driver of number of passengers and bags. For a taxi in the Ansbach area, call 0981-5005 or 0981-19410; in Illesheim, call 09841-7200.

**Ansbach Veterinary Clinic**

The Veterinary Clinic is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. The clinic is closed on federal and training holidays. For more information, call 09802-83-3179.

# Angel Tree

- Runs Dec 10-14
- Pick an Angel Card from the Urilas PX Tree.
- Take an unwrapped gift to either ACS with your Angel Card.
- Make a child merry!

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**BOSS PRESENTS**

## Santa's Calling

**DEC 20 & 21**

- Sign up forms available:
  - Christmas Tree Lightings  
 NOV 30: Storck Barracks  
 DEC 7: Katterbach Boardwalk
  - Concierge at the Von Steuben Community Center, Bismarck
  - Storck Community Activity Center
- Turn in forms by DEC 17 to:
  - BOSS Office, Bismarck
  - Storck CAC
- Details:
  - CIV 09802.83.2921 • DSN 467.2921

## Bamberg Community Announcements

Please send all announcements to Bamberg Public Affairs at [usarmy.bamberg.usareur.mbx.pao@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.bamberg.usareur.mbx.pao@mail.mil).

### Holiday Hours

Many offices and services around post will have reduced hours during the holidays. The hours are posted on the garrison website [www.bamberg.army.mil/directorates/dfmwr/docs/2012HolidayHours.htm](http://www.bamberg.army.mil/directorates/dfmwr/docs/2012HolidayHours.htm). Please check ahead to ensure the services you need are available.

### Personnel Assembly

There will be a Personnel Assembly for local national employees at 1 p.m. Dec. 14. During this time, customers may encounter delays in services throughout the garrison.

### Super Bowl Party and Texas Hold-Em

The Birchview Lanes Bowling Center will host a Texas Hold-Em Poker Tournament beginning at 5 p.m. Feb. 3. There is a \$25 entry fee for the poker tournament with rebuys the first two hours. The poker tournament will go into the Super Bowl with a \$10 cover charge. With entry to the Super Bowl persons will receive free cover charge to the Super Bowl event. Super Bowl will be played on giant blow-up projector screen. Cover charge will provide a buffet and great door prizes. For more information, call 0951-300-7722.

### Changes for Bamberg CDC

From now to Jan. 11, hourly care services at the Bamberg Child Development Center will be temporarily reduced to 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The change is necessary due to the holidays and staffing issues. Also, beginning Jan. 7, the Strong Beginnings program will move from the School Age Center back to the Child Development Center. Other than the location, the teachers and program hours will remain the same.

### Emergency Placement Care Program

The Emergency Placement Care Program, which provides a safe and caring environment to children in crisis, is looking for Emergency Placement Care Providers who will open their homes to children in need. For more information, call Army Community Service at 0951-300-8397/7777.

### Extended Holiday Postal Hours

The Postal Service Center will be open Saturdays until Dec. 22 during the holiday season. The finance lobby and

mail room window will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The mail room window will also be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 24.

### Jingle Bell Jog

There will be a five-kilometer Jingle Bell Jog at 9 a.m. Dec. 15 at the Freedom Fitness Center.

### Financial Peace University Preview

Interested in learning more about Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University? The Bamberg Community Chapel will host a preview lesson at 6 p.m. today. For more information, call 0951-300-1570.

### Holiday One Acts

The Stable Theater will present "A Feast of Holiday Tales" One Acts at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 20 to 21. For more information or to make a reservation, call 0951-300-8647.

### Ray's Diner Christmas Celebration

Ray's Diner will host a Christmas celebration from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dec. 20. The cost is \$7.50 or \$6.40 for family members of E4 or below. The menu will include roast turkey, steamship round, honey-baked ham, savory bread dressing, buttered mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, seasoned corn, turkey gravy, brown gravy, dinner rolls, macaroni salad, cucumber and onion salad, cranberry sauce, assorted pastries, assorted beverage and a salad bar.

### Adult Christmas Craft

The Community Activity Center will host an adult Christmas craft at 4 p.m. Dec. 20. Make a Christmas decoration for your home or as a gift to a special friend. Pick one of four crafts for \$10 or pick more and get a discount. For more information, stop by the CAC or call 0951-300-8837.

### Dental Assistant Apprenticeship Program

Starting in January there will be a Dental Assistant Apprenticeship Program offered to military dependants 18 and older who have a PCS/DEROS no earlier than July 1. Other restrictions may apply.

### Call for Auditions

The Stable Theater will have auditions for the musical *Legally Blonde* Jan 9 and 10 at 6:30 p.m. No experience is required. Prepare a short song to sing. Men, women and teenagers are invited to audition. Shows will run the middle or end of March. For more information, call 0951-300-8647.

### Tap Dance - The Sequel

The Stable Theater is offering advanced tap dance classes for adults. Each session is \$5. This continues from the recent tap classes led by Nora Sobering. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Adults with prior tap dance experience are welcome. The class will be fast paced and will rely on previous steps learned. Call to register in advance at 0951-300-8647.

### London New Year's Trip

Bring in the new year in London with Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers. The cost is \$399 per person, plus \$140 for a single room. The bus departs in the evening Dec. 28 and returns late in the evening Jan. 1. The cost includes three nights in a four-star hotel with breakfast, a sightseeing tour of London, roundtrip transportation on a German motor coach including ferry crossing, New Year's fireworks show near the London Eye and free time for your own adventures. Sign up with a \$100 deposit to reserve space, payable in full by Dec. 14. The trip is open to all adults, ages 18 and older.

### Club Beyond Winter Blitz

Club Beyond will be having its Winter Blitz camp Dec. 30 through Jan. 5 in Innsbruck, Austria. The cost is \$250 for the general camp package or the basketball package

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and \$310 for the skiing or snowboarding package with rentals, or \$290 without rentals. Spots are limited, so sign up now. For more information, email Laura Reisinger at [lreisinger@clubbeyond.org](mailto:lreisinger@clubbeyond.org).

### English as a Second Language Classes

English as a Second Language classes will take place each Monday and Tuesday in the Family Advocacy Program classroom, Building 7487 on Armor Drive behind the flower shop. ESL Level 1 will meet from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Level 2 from 10:30 a.m. to noon and Level 3 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. The last class for the year will be Dec. 18. All U.S. ID cardholders are eligible to attend. For more information, contact Jeffrey Card at [jeffrey.p.card.civ@mail.mil](mailto:jeffrey.p.card.civ@mail.mil) or 0951-300-7777.

### Red Cross gift-wrapping

The American Red Cross will sponsor a gift-wrapping table outside of the PXtra Dec. 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All donations directly support Bamberg American Red Cross volunteer programs.

### Parenting Skill Builder Classes

The first three Tuesday mornings of each month from 9

USAR Bamberg - www.bamberg.army.mil/mwr

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**Zumba!**

Ditch the workout, join the party!  
\$5 per class - or 5 for \$20

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesdays, 6 p.m.

For more info, contact the Freedom Fitness Facility @ 469-8890 or 0951-300-8890 or check it out on Facebook: Zumba with A-L

USAR Bamberg - www.bamberg.army.mil/mwr

**London**  
Dec. 28 - Jan. 1, 2013

**\$399** (p.p. in a double room; plus \$140 for single rooms)

Bus departs at Friday evening Dec. 28 and returns Jan. 1 late evening Jan 1. Trip includes: 3 overnights in 4 star Hotel with breakfast, sightseeing tour of London highlights, roundtrip transportation on German Motor Coach, ferry crossing, New Year's Fireworks Show near the London Eye & plenty of free time for your own adventures!

Sign-up with \$100 deposit to reserve space, payable in full by no later than Dec 14<sup>th</sup>. Trip is open to all adults, 18 years of age and up.

For more information, contact your local BOSS program in your community!

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

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Preview Lesson 13 December 2012  
Bamberg Community Chapel  
1800 hrs

[daveramsey.com/findaclass](http://daveramsey.com/findaclass)

to 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 learn practical tools and techniques to build respectful, healthy relationships with children and help prepare children for the real world. For more information, 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 Dec. 21 and Jan. 4 and 18 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 Dec. 14 and Jan. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Army Community Service building. The cost of the CPR and First Aid Certification is \$55. You can log onto [www.redcross.org](http://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 more information, stop by the American Red Cross, Bldg. 7029, or call 0951-300-1760.

**CIRCUIT PT**  
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11:45 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

LOOKING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE OLD SCHOOL PUSH-UPS, SIT-UPS & RUN?  
Revamp your fitness routine with this lunchtime workout geared toward getting your heart pumping as well as target major muscle groups.

This class is FREE to all US ID card holders 18 and over.

For more info contact FFF @ 0951-300-8890 or email [TonyaL.Williams.NAF@mail.mil](mailto:TonyaL.Williams.NAF@mail.mil)

**Closures and Changes**

**Vehicle Registration Office Closure**

The Vehicle Registration Office will close at 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 14, at 10:30 a.m. on Dec. 21 and 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 31. The office will be closed all day on Dec. 24 through 26 and Jan. 1. For more information, call 0951-300-7580.

**Health Clinic Closure**

The Bamberg Health Clinic will close at noon Dec. 14 for organizational activities.

**Post Shuttle Cancellation**

The post shuttle will not run Dec. 24 to 26 and Dec. 31 to Jan. 1.

**Closure**

BASOPS Maintenance Division Privately Owned Vehicle Inspection Station (POV) and Customer Service Team (CST) in building 7102 at Warner Barracks Bamberg will be closed Dec. 21, starting at noon, for the annual Christmas party.

**Car Care Center Hour Changes**

Beginning Jan. 2, the Car Care Center will have new hours of operation. It will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays and closed on Sundays.

**Youth and Teens**

**Children's Christmas Stocking Craft**

Children are invited to design a stocking for Santa to fill with candy at 4 p.m. today at the Community Activity Center. There is no cost. For more information, call 0951-300-8837.

**Children's Christmas Craft**

Make a sweet snack for Santa's reindeer at 4 p.m. Dec. 20 at the Community Activity Center. There is no cost. For more information, call 0951-300-8837.

**Gymnastics Christmas Show**

Child, Youth and School Services' SKIESUnlimited gymnastics program will have a free Gymnastics Christmas Show Dec. 14 at 6 p.m. at the JFK Middle School/Teen Center. The show will include a cake decorating contest, the winner of which will receive four weeks of free gymnastics classes. To learn more, call 0951-300-7452.

**Kids-On-Site Child Care**

The child care at the gym, Kids-On-Site, is available Monday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Your free hours of deployment hourly care can be used if you qualify, otherwise the cost is \$4 an hour. Punch card must be pre-purchased at Parent Central Services. Please stop by Parent Central Services to sign your contract and pick up your punch cards. Reservations can be made on Webtrac at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/bambergcyms.html> or 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 to 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 at 0160-1585894.

**Sports, Health and Fitness**

**Circuit PT**

Looking for an alternative to the old-school push-ups, sit-ups and run? Revamp your fitness routine with Circuit PT. This lunchtime workout will get your heart pumping and target major muscle groups. This class is free to all ID cardholders 18 and older. The class is Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more

**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

information, call 0951-300-8890 or email [tonya.l.williams.naf@mail.mil](mailto:tonya.l.williams.naf@mail.mil).

**Fitness Classes**

The Freedom Fitness Facility offers a variety of fitness classes. To see a complete schedule, go to [www.bamberg.army.mil/directorates/dfmwr/docs/fff/FFF-FitnessSchedule.htm](http://www.bamberg.army.mil/directorates/dfmwr/docs/fff/FFF-FitnessSchedule.htm).

**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 meets two times a week for 45 to 60 minutes of training, plus weekend runs. This is a partnership between Freedom Fitness Facility and the Bamberg Health Clinic. To learn more, email [kelly.woodruff@us.army.mil](mailto:kelly.woodruff@us.army.mil) or [ernest.d.johnson3.naf@mail.mil](mailto:ernest.d.johnson3.naf@mail.mil) or call 0951-300-9086.

**Weekly Reminders**

**By Soldiers - For Soldiers**

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings for Warner Barracks are Wednesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at the Community Activity Center, Room 409. These meetings are open to anyone. Duty uniform allowed. For more information, call Kyle at 0151-1775-3880, Brian at 0172-271-3626 or Justin at 0151-4642-3940.

**YOGA with Jenn**  
\$5 per class

Power Yoga :Tues/Thurs/Fri, 11:45 a.m.  
50/50 Yoga :Tues, 5 p.m.

Saturday Special Yoga : 1 Sat a month(90 minute session)

Additional discount: Yoga 10 class pass \$45 per month  
Yoga Freedom Pass \$70 per month  
Private sessions for \$35

**WARNING: Bring a towel & bottle of water - you WILL sweat!**

For more information, contact the Freedom Fitness Facility @ DSN 469-8890 or email [Jenn.ellis.corton@gmail.com](mailto:Jenn.ellis.corton@gmail.com).

## Schweinfurt Community Announcements

Please send all announcements to Schweinfurt Public Affairs at [usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil).

### Estate Claim

Anyone who has any claims or obligation to the estate of Spc. Bernard Hill Jr., of 15th Engineer Battalion should contact 1st Lt. Victor A. Mathis, the summary court officer, at (DSN) 353-8962 or (COMM) 9721-96-8962.

### Picture Perfect Contest

Pumpkin pie, apple cider, caramel corn, Christmas cookies – what is your holiday specialty? Share your favorite holiday recipe by entering it into the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Picture Perfect Contest. Submissions will be accepted now through Dec. 19 by email at [usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil). Contest details are available at [www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/fmwr/PicturePerfect.htm](http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/fmwr/PicturePerfect.htm).

### Saturday Postal Service Hours

Both Conn and Ledward consolidated mail rooms will be open for window service Saturdays through Dec. 22. You can pick up your packages between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. The Ledward Post Office will also be open Saturdays during the same hours. For important holiday mailing timelines, visit [www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/dhr/postal.htm](http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/dhr/postal.htm).

### AFAP Issues and Volunteers Needed

Schweinfurt, we are listening. Do you have an issue, idea or concern that you would like Army leadership to address? Now's your chance. Speak up, speak out and make change by submitting your issues for the 2013 AFAP conference, which ends today. For more information, visit [www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/acs/afap.htm](http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/directorates/acs/afap.htm).

### Winter Wrap-up 2012-2013

This winter find something fantastic for all ages and interests – everything from classes, Alpine retreats, ceremonies, events, trips, camps and so much more. A detailed description of each activity can be found below in addition to a printable version for all of your must-attend Winter Events. Visit [www.schweinfurt.army.mil/infovault/winterwrapup.htm](http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/infovault/winterwrapup.htm) to learn more. Click on each event listed for full information. No information available yet?

**USAG Schweinfurt**  
**INVITATIONAL RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**ATTENTION ALL WALL BANGERS!**  
**Sat. Dec. 15**  
**Sat. Jan. 26**  
**Finney Fitness Center**  
**Free to participate**  
**9 a.m. - 6 p.m.**  
 Finney Fitness Center | Conn Barracks, Bldg. 64 | 09721-96-8234 (CIV) / 353-8234 (DSN)  
**TEAM SCHWEINFURT.COM**  
 news, services, recreation. Facebook.com/SchweinfurtArmy

Check back as the event nears since the event listings are constantly updated.

### Seeking Volunteer Drivers/Phone Operators

Volunteer drivers and phone operators are needed to staff a program aimed at slashing the number of DUIs in Schweinfurt by providing a vehicle pick-up service to those Soldiers consuming alcohol on weekend nights. To get involved, call 0173-794-2998 or 0160-987-98955, or visit the Schweinfurt AADD Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/SchweinfurtAADD](http://www.facebook.com/SchweinfurtAADD).

### Seeking Cake Decorators

The Schweinfurt High School Culinary Club seeks volunteers experienced in cake decorating. Please contact Culinary Club sponsor Hana McWilliams at 09721-96-6812 or [Hana.McWilliams@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:Hana.McWilliams@eu.dodea.edu).

### Wood n' Frame Shop Closure

The Wood N' Frame Shop is closed through Dec. 18. Projects that were submitted before the closure can be picked up at the Craft Studio at Ledward Barracks, Bldg. 204. For more information, please call 09721-96-6903.

### BOSS Christmas Party

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers will host a Christmas party from 5 to 10 p.m. Dec. 25 at the Warrior Zone. This is a free event for all single Soldiers 18 and older. Enjoy games, snacks, movies and a white elephant gift exchange. Food and drink will be available for purchase. For more information, call the Warrior Zone at 09721-96-6082 or talk to your unit BOSS rep.

### Photo Scavenger Hunt: Basic Challenge

The Ledward Library will be having an ongoing photo scavenger hunt, which began Oct. 1. How well do you know your military community in U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt? Check out the photo gallery in the library and guess where in the community they came from. Submit your guesses about where the pictures were taken and the person with the most correct answers wins a prize.

### Recycling Education Class

A recycling education course, for trash disposal offenders and anyone who wants to learn about recycling, is offered twice a month Wednesday from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Family members 9 and older are encouraged to attend with a parent. Bring a friend if he or she lives in military housing or military-leased housing. Class space is limited, so call 09721-96-6955 to sign up. Classes will be cancelled if no one signs up by 4:30 p.m. the Tuesday before class.

### Closures and Changes

#### Schweinfurt EEO Services Limited

Schweinfurt community members requiring assistance from the Equal Employment Opportunity office must now contact the Ansbach EEO office at 0981-183-7733/7937. The best way to know how the installation closure will impact you is to stay informed. Go to [www.teamsschweinfurt.com](http://www.teamsschweinfurt.com) and click on "Transition 2014."

#### Youth and Teens

##### 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. Program facilitators will show youths how to safely work out and stay fit. Dedicated participants will see positive results. Workouts will include sports, spinning, weightlifting 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.

#### Smart Girls

Young ladies, the Smart Girls program is up and running

**Picture Perfect**  
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 You click. We pick.  
**Theme: Tastes of the Season**  
 What are you cooking up this holiday season? Share your favorite holiday recipe with the community while competing for cool prizes!  
 Enter a recipe for your favorite holiday dish or beverage. Email your recipe along with a picture of the completed dish or drink to [usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.schweinfurt.imcom-europe.mbx.pao@mail.mil).  
 All qualifying entries will be posted in an album on the Schweinfurt Army Garrison Facebook page. Log on to [TeamSchweinfurt.com](http://TeamSchweinfurt.com) for details and rules.  
**Win Cool Prizes!**  
 Submit Photo/Recipe  
 Mon, Nov. 19 - Wed, Dec. 19  
 Winner Announced!  
 Fri, Dec. 21  
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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 to 14 and 15 to 18. Smart Girls meets 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.

#### 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 your skills by joining us on a field trip downtown. For more information, call the Youth Center at 09721-96-6732.

#### SKIES Unlimited

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 youths have within Child, Youth and School Services programs and in schools. For the

**SCHWEINFURT SINGLE SOLDIER**  
**CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
**SUN, DEC. 23 AT 6 P.M.**  
**WARRIOR ZONE**  
 ALL SCHWEINFURT SINGLE SOLDIERS ARE INVITED TO ENJOY A DELICIOUS HOME COOKED HOLIDAY MEAL AT NO COST!  
 Warrior Zone | Ledward Barracks, Bldg. 224 | 09721-96-6082/354-6082

For more information on Schweinfurt community announcements, visit <http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/calendar/google.html>

- Marcus 
- Jenny 
- Mom 
- Grandpa 
- Deployed U.S. Troops 

Don't forget the most important present on your list.

Give blood.

Schweinfurt Community Blood Drive  
 Finney Fitness Center, Conn Barracks  
 Tuesday, 11 Dec 2012  
 1000 – 1700 hours



income by officiating. For more information, call CYSS at 09721-96-6822 or email [Derek.r.walker.naf@mail.mil](mailto:Derek.r.walker.naf@mail.mil).

**Family Child Care Providers Needed**

Help the community and start a new career as a 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 for free. Call 09721-96-6487 for details.

**Sports, Health and Fitness**

**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 more information, contact Outdoor Recreation at 09721-96-8080.

**Tuesday Night Cosmic Pin Bowling**

Enjoy cosmic bowling every Tuesday night at the Kessler Bowling Center with funky lights and music mixed with colored pins in each lane. Games are \$1.50 each. Win a free game by getting a strike on the frame with the colored pin as the head pin. Cosmic Bowl also includes specials on food and drink.

**Weekly Reminders**

**Newcomer Meet and Greet**

Meet other spouses, learn about the community and get connected here in Schweinfurt every Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Conn Club. The newcomer meet-and-greet initiative links up incoming spouses with seasoned Schweinfurt residents, offering the warm welcome our community is known for. Coffee and refreshments will be served, and children are welcome. For more information or to register, call Army Community Service at 09721-96-6933.

**Inclement Weather in Schweinfurt**

Know where you can find information on school closures and weather and road condition. To learn more, click [here](#).

**Local Flea Markets**

Flea markets are a fun way to find a bargain. The Army Community Service Information and Referral program provides a monthly list of flea markets [here](#).

**Dental Clinic Space Available**

The U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt Dental Clinic now offers space available stand-by appointments for other-than-active-duty eligible beneficiaries. Appointments can only be scheduled 24 hours in advance.

**BOSS Meetings**

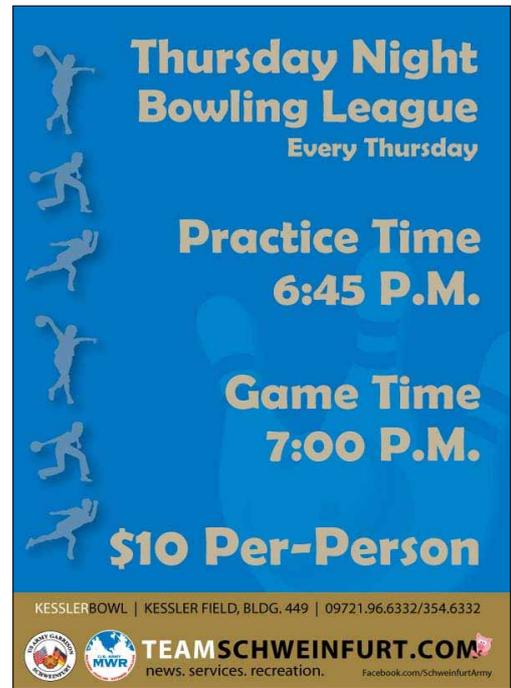
Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers meetings are on the second (at the Warrior Zone) and fourth (at the Finney Recreation Center) Tuesday of every month. For more information, call the Warrior Zone at 09721-96-6082 or the Finney Recreation Center at 09721-96-8476.

**Open Mic Night**

Come and share your talent with the Warrior Zone every Friday at 8 p.m. to midnight. The event is intended for single Soldiers but open to the entire community. Adults only. No early sign-ups required. For more information, call 09721-96-6082.

**Single Soldiers Christian Fellowship and Supper**

The Conn Chapel offers fellowship and supper every Thursday at 6:30 to 8 p.m. The program is for single Soldiers and includes Bible study, worship and a home-



**Thursday Night Bowling League**  
 Every Thursday

**Practice Time**  
 6:45 P.M.

**Game Time**  
 7:00 P.M.

**\$10 Per-Person**

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cooked meal. For more information, call Donna Hilley at 09721-96-1370.

**Children's Story Time**

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

**Karaoke**

Karaoke all-stars, come and share your talent with the Warrior Zone, every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The event is intended for single Soldiers but open to the entire community. Adults only. No early sign-ups required. For more information, call 09721-96-6082.



latest class listings, click [here](#).

**4-H Club**

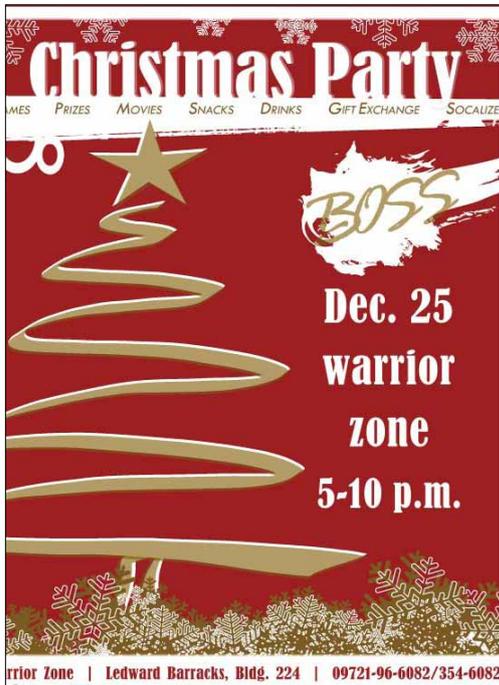
4-H is a club designed for middle and high school students. As a club, students will plan field trips, events and activities based on their four core values: head, hands, heart and health. 4-H meets every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. To participate, students must be registered with CYSS.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

**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.

**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 and School Services, you will become a certified coach in the National Alliance for Youth Sports. This is a great way to volunteer in the community and earn extra

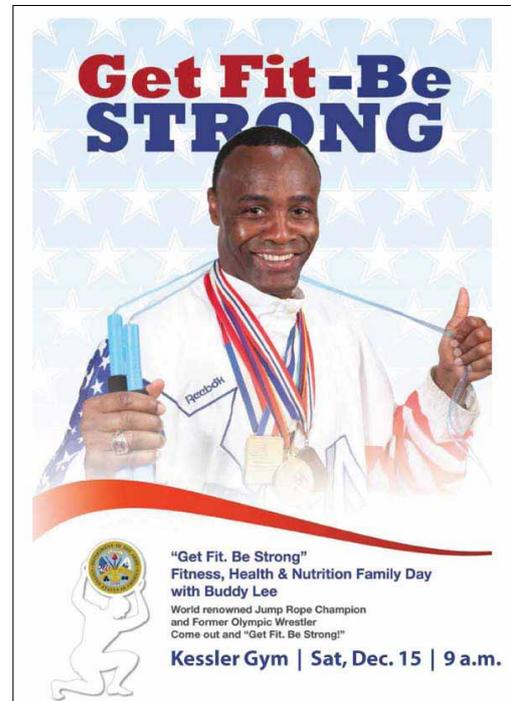


**Christmas Party**  
 GAMES PRIZES MOVIES SNACKS DRINKS GIFT EXCHANGE SOCIALIZE

**BOSS**

**Dec. 25**  
**warrior zone**  
**5-10 p.m.**

Warrior Zone | Ledward Barracks, Bldg. 224 | 09721-96-6082/354-6082



**Get Fit - Be STRONG**

**"Get Fit. Be Strong"**  
 Fitness, Health & Nutrition Family Day  
 with Buddy Lee  
 World renowned Jump Rope Champion  
 and Former Olympic Wrestler  
 Come out and "Get Fit. Be Strong!"

**Kessler Gym | Sat, Dec. 15 | 9 a.m.**

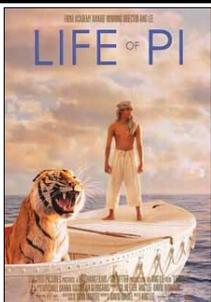
# coming to THEATERS

**LIFE OF PI**  
Now Showing | 127 Minutes

A groundbreaking movie event about a young man who survives a tragic disaster at sea and is hurtled into an epic journey of adventure and discovery. While marooned on a lifeboat, he forms an amazing and unexpected connection with the ship's only other survivor -- a fearsome Bengal tiger.

*Rated PG for emotional thematic content throughout, and some scary action sequences and peril.*

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## IN THEATERS • DEC. 13 - 20

**ILLESHEIM THEATER** • 09841-83-4546  
Dec. 15 - LIFE OF PI (PG) 4 p.m.; RED DAWN (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 16 - RISE OF THE GUARDIANS (PG) 3 p.m.

**KATTERBACH THEATER** • 09802-83-1790  
Dec. 13 - THE POSSESSION (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 14 - THE TWILIGHT SAGA: BREAKING DAWN PART 2 (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 15 - THE TWILIGHT SAGA: BREAKING DAWN PART 2 (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 16 - ARTHUR CHRISTMAS (PG) 3 p.m.  
THE TWILIGHT SAGA: BREAKING DAWN PART 2 (PG-13) 6 p.m.  
Dec. 20 - WON'T BACK DOWN (PG) 7 p.m.

**BAMBERG THEATER** • 0951-297-3934  
Dec. 13 - PREMIUM RUSH (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 14 - KILLING THEM SOFTLY (R) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 15 - WON'T BACK DOWN (PG) 3 p.m.  
KILLING THEM SOFTLY (R) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 16 - WON'T BACK DOWN (PG) 3 p.m.  
KILLING THEM SOFTLY (R) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 17 - PREMIUM RUSH (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 20 - HOUSE AT THE END OF THE STREET (PG-13) 7 p.m.

**SCHWEINFURT THEATER** • 09721-96-1790  
Dec. 13 - THE POSSESSION (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 14 - LIFE OF PI (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 15 - RISE OF THE GUARDIANS (PG) 4 p.m.  
LIFE OF PI (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 16 - RISE OF THE GUARDIANS (PG) 4 p.m.  
LIFE OF PI (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 19 - RED DAWN (PG-13) 7 p.m.  
Dec. 20 - RED DAWN (PG-13) 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

**Wednesdays Afternoon Ski/Snowboard \$29**  
Join the Outdoor Recreation team of professional ski and snowboard instructors and learn to safely slide down the slopes, ride the lifts and enjoy the world's fastest growing winter activities. Depending on the season's snowfall and sloop conditions, instruction will be conducted locally at Burgbernheim, between Ansbach and Illesheim. All sessions will depart from Katterbach at 1 p.m., weather permitting. Dates are Jan. 9, 16, 23; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; and March 6, 13, 20, 27.

**Jan. 5 and 12 One-Day Ski/Snowboard Steinplatte \$45**  
You can reach some spectacular destinations by joining us on a variety of one-day ski/snowboard trips. For a new challenge, ask about Alpine ski touring possibilities. Ski/snowboard lessons are available upon advance request, by certified PSIA and AASI instructors. The trip location is subject to change depending on the snow and slope conditions. Cost is \$45 for transportation only and \$59 with ski/snowboard equipment and transportation. Departs Storck at 4:15 a.m. and Katterbach at 5 a.m.

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

### BAMBERG

**Dec. 15-16 Stubai Ski & Snowboard \$129**  
As one of the snowiest ski resorts in Austria, Stubai is ideal for snowboarders and skiers. Grab your gear and hit the slopes or rent some from ODR for \$20 before you go. Trip includes transportation and one-night lodging at double occupancy with breakfast. Price does not include lift pass. Trip departs ODR at 2 a.m. Dec. 15 and returns Dec. 16 at 11 p.m.

**Jan. 5 Learn to Snowboard \$80**  
Always wanted to try snowboarding? Here's your chance. Spend a day on local slope Ochsenkopf, in the Fichtelgebirge, with Outdoor Recreation's own instructor. Includes transportation, lift pass, rental and approximately 2.5 hours of lessons. Departs from Outdoor Recreation at 9 a.m. and returns at about 5 p.m.

**Jan. 12-13 Ski/Snowboard Lermoos \$75**  
Looking for a quick getaway? Can't find time on the training holidays to go skiing? Relax and let Outdoor Recreation take care of the driving on this one-day trip to the world famous Lermoos and the Zugspitze Arena ski-areas. Space is limited. Please sign up in advance. Departs Outdoor Recreation at 2 a.m.

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

### SCHWEINFURT

**Saturdays Night Skiing \$35**  
Depending on the snow conditions, Outdoor Recreation goes night skiing every Saturday from 4 to 11 p.m. Cost is \$35 and includes transportation and ski or snowboard equipment or \$20 if you bring your own equipment. Lift tickets (which cost approximately 13.50 Euro) are not included. To sign up, call Outdoor Recreation at 09721-96-8080.

**Jan. 18-21 Ski & Snowboard Trip to Flachau, Austria \$349**  
Three days of skiing and snowboarding in Flachau, Austria, and 350 kilometers of well groomed, easy-to-difficult runs are available for \$349. The cost also includes transportation, three overnight stays with breakfast and dinner, ski and snowboard rentals and snowboard lessons on the first day. Lift tickets (approximately 129 Euro for three days) are not included. Transportation leaves from the Outdoor Recreation Center at 11 a.m. Jan. 18 and returns at 11 p.m. Jan. 21. To sign up, call Outdoor Recreation at 09721-96-8080.

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

# Eco-Friendly Tips

## Water-saving Tips

Use the collected water from your dryer to refill your steam iron, to clean the floor and windows and to water your plants.

Drop your tissue in the trash instead of flushing it and save gallons of water every time.

## Energy-saving Tips

Turn down the thermostat when away. If you are going to be away for an extended period of time, turn your thermostat down to save energy but never lower than the "snowflake" in wintertime.

## Recycling Tips

Recycle more than bottles, cans and newspapers. Don't forget to consider the recycling options for other household items including: batteries, refrigerators, computers, electronics, tires, etc. Your on-post Recycling Center has containers for all of these!

Start using paper products and other items made from recycled fibers, so more trees don't have to be cut down. Multi-ply paper towels, toilet paper, kitchen towels, cups, napkins, office stationary -and so much more- are now available in recycled fibers.

# Was ist los in Franken?

## Ansbacher Weihnachtsmarkt

The Ansbach Christmas will be open until Dec. 23 with wooden booths and a large assortment of Christmas items and decorations, as well as culinary specialties from the region. Opening hours are Mon-Thur 11 a.m. – 7:30 p.m., Fri & Sat 11 a.m. – 8:30 p.m., Sat 10 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. and Sun noon – 8:30 p.m. For more info check [www.weihnachtsmarkt-ansbach.de](http://www.weihnachtsmarkt-ansbach.de)

## Bamberg Christmas Market

The Christmas market in Bamberg is open until Dec. 23; daily opening hours are Mon – Sat 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Sundays 11 a.m. – 8 p.m. For more details go to [www.weihnachtsmarkt-bamberg.de](http://www.weihnachtsmarkt-bamberg.de) or [www.bamberg.info](http://www.bamberg.info)

## Medieval Market in Fürth

Fürth is hosting a medieval market in conjunction with its regular Christmas market until Dec. 23; it is open daily from 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. For program details go to [www.mittelaltermarkt-fuerth.de](http://www.mittelaltermarkt-fuerth.de)

## Christkindlesmarkt

The Nürnberger Christkindlesmarkt will be open until Christmas Eve in the heart of Nürnberg's Old Town. More than 180 market stands – all decorated for Christmas with fresh greens and lights – invite you to enjoy traditional Christmas ornaments of all shapes and sizes, the local gold-foil angel called "Rauschgoldengel," "Zwetschgenmännle" made of prunes, toys and games and delicious holiday treats to eat and drink. Experience this one-of-a-kind atmosphere on Mondays – Thursdays 9:30 a.m. – 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. and Sundays 10:30 a.m. – 8 p.m. For details visit the English language website <http://www.christkindlesmarkt.de/en>

## Lantern Parade in Nürnberg

A unique event during advent time is the lantern parade in Nürnberg today; hundreds of Nürnberg children gather at the Kaiserstrasse at 5:45 p.m. for the parade that will take them past the Christkindlesmarkt towards the castle.

## Erlangen on Ice

The city of Erlangen is offering a free ice skating rink downtown at Marktplatz between Paulibrunnen and Palais Stutterheim in conjunction with the traditional Christmas market; skating is available daily from 1 to 9 p.m.; skates can be rented for 2.50 Euros on site. Special opening hours for the holidays will be available on a short notice at [www.erlangen-marketing.de](http://www.erlangen-marketing.de)

## Nativity Scenes in Handwerkerhof

The Handwerkerhof in Nürnberg (Königstor, across from main train station) is featuring an exhibition of nativity scenes until Dec. 29; the admission is free. To learn more, visit [www.handwerkerhof.de/en/home](http://www.handwerkerhof.de/en/home)

## Franconian Jazzband in Nürnberg

The Franconian Jazzband will be playing Jazz Classics in Nürnberg at the Jazzstudio Nürnberg e.V. (Paniersplatz 27/29) Dec. 15 at 9 p.m. To learn more, visit [www.jazzstudio.de](http://www.jazzstudio.de)

## Christmas Town at the Old West Ranch in Windelsbach

'Christmas Town,' a unique Christmas market, opens its doors at the Old West Ranch in Windelsbach (Am Waldschwimmbad 2) Dec. 15 and 16; Saturday evening expect "Country Christmas" with Daniel T Coates at 8:30 p.m. For contact info go to [www.old-west-ranch.de](http://www.old-west-ranch.de)

## Arts and Crafts Market in Bamberg

The St. Josefsheim in Bamberg (Jakobsplatz 15) is hosting a Christmas Arts and Crafts Market Dec. 15 and 16; visitors can visit about 40 crafters with their original

products, which include wood and ceramic objects, etchings, musical instruments, unique snowmen or olive wood carvings from Bethlehem. The market is open on Saturday 1:30 – 8 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. For more information also go to [www.creativforum-bamberg.de](http://www.creativforum-bamberg.de)

## Windsbacher Knabenchor in Nürnberg

The Windsbacher Knabenchor, famous boy's choir from Windsbach near Ansbach will perform at the Meistersingerhalle (Münchener Straße 2) in Nürnberg Dec. 18 at 8 p.m.

## Sternlesmarkt - Wolframs-Eschenbach

The annual Sternlesmarkt ("Little Stars Market") in Wolframs-Eschenbach is open on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 3 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 16 at 1 p.m. Details can be found at [www.wolframs-eschenbach.de](http://www.wolframs-eschenbach.de).

## Festive Advent Concert in Nürnberg

The Nürnberger Symphoniker will host a festive Advent Concert in the Historischer Rathaussaal (old city hall) on Rathausplatz 2 (around the corner from the Christmas market) Dec. 17 at 6 p.m. They will play Baroque music by Georg Friedrich Händel, Georg Philipp Telemann, Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy and Antonio Vivaldi. To learn more, visit [www.nuernbergersymphoniker.de](http://www.nuernbergersymphoniker.de).

## Herrieden Christmas Market

The traditional Christmas market of Herrieden takes place Dec. 21 and 22 at the Vogtei Platz (downtown near the town square); booths will feature not only handmade crafts and decorations but also local specialties like cookies and bratwurst, and hot drinks like "Heisser Blutser" (only available in Herrieden). The booths gather around a central bonfire that keeps visitors warm. The market opens at 4 p.m. on both days, but the Opening Ceremony with the Christkind is on Friday at 5 p.m.

## Blues Gang in Schweinfurt

The Blues Gang will perform in Schweinfurt at the Kulturwerkstatt Disharmonie (Gutermannpromenade 7) Dec. 22 at 8 p.m.

## Swinging Xmas 2012 - Würzburg

Swinging Xmas brings you "Rudolph the Red nosed Reindeer," "White Christmas" or "Jingle Bells" at the Bockshorn Theater Würzburg (Veitshöchheimer Str. 5) Dec. 22 at 8:15 p.m. Admission or 20 Euros can be purchased from the theater by calling 0931-460-6066 or the Falkenhaus am Markt at 0931-372398. To learn more, visit [www.swingingxmas.de](http://www.swingingxmas.de)

## Christmas Friends – "Winter Wonderland" in Schweinfurt

The Christmas Friends are hosting a "Winter Wonderland" in Schweinfurt at the Kulturwerkstatt Disharmonie (Gutermannpromenade 7) on Dec. 23 at 4 p.m.

## Winterdorf in Bayreuth

The annual winter village in Bayreuth with little wood huts and local specialties in the Ehrenhof of Altes Schloss (Maximilianstraße 12-14) stays open until New Year's Day. Opening hours are Monday through Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sundays from 12:30 to 11 p.m. To learn more, visit [www.bayreuther-winterdorf.de](http://www.bayreuther-winterdorf.de).

## Weissenburg Weihnacht

The Christmas market in Weissenburg is open from Dec. 15 to 23; the 'Christkind' will pose for photos with visitors on Dec. 15 at 3 p.m., Dec. 20 at 4:30 and Dec. 23 at 3 p.m. For more program details, visit [www.weissenburg.info/weihnachtsmarkt](http://www.weissenburg.info/weihnachtsmarkt).

## Tollwood Festival in Munich

The Tollwood Festival is ongoing at the Oktoberfest site in Munich until New Year's Eve. To learn more, visit [www.tollwood.de/english/winterfestival-2012](http://www.tollwood.de/english/winterfestival-2012).

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# Christmas Markets 2012

**Ansbach** – Weihnachtsmarkt (Johann-Sebastians-Bach-Platz): Now-Dec. 23; [www.ansbach.de](http://www.ansbach.de)

**Aschaffenburg** - Weihnachtsmarkt (Schlossplatz): Now-Dec. 22; [www.aschaffenburg.de](http://www.aschaffenburg.de)

**Bamberg** - Weihnachtsmarkt (Maxplatz): Now-Dec. 23; [www.bamberg.info](http://www.bamberg.info)

**Bernkastel-Kues** – Weihnachtstmarkt – Now-Dec. 23; [www.weihnachtsmarkt-bernkastel-kues.de](http://www.weihnachtsmarkt-bernkastel-kues.de)

**Coburg** - Weihnachtsmarkt: Now-Dec. 23; [www.coburg-tourist.de](http://www.coburg-tourist.de)

**Dinkelsbühl** - Weihnachtsmarkt (Spitalhof): Now-Dec. 23; [www.weihnachtsmarkt-dinkelsbuehl.de](http://www.weihnachtsmarkt-dinkelsbuehl.de)

**Erlangen** - Medieval Weihnachtsmarkt (Neustädter Kirchenplatz): Now-Dec. 24; [www.erlangen.de](http://www.erlangen.de)

**Fürth** - Weihnachtsmarkt (Freiheit): Now-Dec. 23; [www.fuerth.de](http://www.fuerth.de)

**Forchheim** - Weihnachtsmarkt : Now-Dec. 24; [www.forchheim.de](http://www.forchheim.de)

**Garmisch** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec 1-26; [www.garmisch-partenkirchen.de](http://www.garmisch-partenkirchen.de)

**Heidelberg** - Weihnachtsmarkt (Karlsplatz): Now-Dec. 22; [www.heidelberg-tourismus.de](http://www.heidelberg-tourismus.de)



A shop sells loaves of Fruchtbrot (fruit cake) and Lebkuchen hearts at the Nürnberg Christmas Market in the town's Hauptmarkt Nov. 30. *Bryan Gatchell*

**München** - Christkindlmarkt (Marienplatz): Now- Dec. 24; [www.muenchen-tourist.de](http://www.muenchen-tourist.de)

**Nürnberg** – Christkindlesmarkt: Now-Dec. 24; [www.christkindlesmarkt.de](http://www.christkindlesmarkt.de)

**Roth** – Christkindlesmarkt (Schloss Ratibor): Dec. 1-9; [www.stadt-roth.de](http://www.stadt-roth.de)

**Rothenburg ob der Tauber** – Reiterlesmarkt: Now- Dec. 23; [www.rothenburg.de](http://www.rothenburg.de)

**Schweinfurt** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Now-Dec. 24; [www.weihnachtsmarkt-sw.de](http://www.weihnachtsmarkt-sw.de)

**Würzburg** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Now-Dec. 23; [www.wuerzburg.de](http://www.wuerzburg.de)

## Weekend Christmas Markets 2012

**Bad Kissingen** – Lichterglanz (lights aglow): Nov. 30-Dec. 24; [www.badkissingen.de](http://www.badkissingen.de)

**Bad Mergentheim** – Weihnachtsmarkt: today through Dec. 16; [www.bad-mergentheim.de](http://www.bad-mergentheim.de)

**Bad Wimpfen** – Altdeutscher Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec. 14-16; [www.badwimpfen.org](http://www.badwimpfen.org)

**Bad Windsheim** - Weihnachtsmarkt : Dec. 13-16, 20-23; [www.bad-windsheim.de](http://www.bad-windsheim.de)

**Freilandmuseum Bad Windsheim** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec 16; [www.freilandmuseum.de](http://www.freilandmuseum.de)

**Gunzenhausen** – Weihnachtsmarkt – Dec. 13-16, 20-23; [www.gunzenhausen.de](http://www.gunzenhausen.de)

**Herrieden** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec . 21-22

**Schloss Geyerswörth** (Bamberg) – Medieval Weihnachtsmarkt: Now-Dec 16; [www.kzk.de](http://www.kzk.de)

**Schwabach** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec. 14-16; [www.schwabach.de](http://www.schwabach.de)

**Wasserburg am Inn** – Weihnachtsmarkt: Dec. 14-16, 21-23; [www.wasserburg.de](http://www.wasserburg.de)

**Weikersheim** – Weihnachtsmarkt (Castle): Dec. 14-16; [www.weikersheim.de](http://www.weikersheim.de)

**Wolframs-Eschenbach** – Sternlesmarkt: Dec 15-16; [www.wolframs-eschenbach.de](http://www.wolframs-eschenbach.de)