



GC stresses safety at town hall

DPW installs new crosswalks as result of meeting feedback

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Members of the U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden community gathered to raise their concerns and ask questions to Garrison Commander Col. Noah C. Cloud and garrison directors during a town hall meeting Sept. 6 at the Taunus Theater.

Cloud said the meeting would be the first of many and thanked everyone in attendance for bringing important issues to his attention and encouraged community members to submit feedback through the Interactive Customer

Evaluation system.

"ICE comments are a way for us to get valuable feedback to help us tune ourselves," he said. "I want to hear what people have to say."

The new Happy or Not Kiosks, which are set up at various garrison front door services, will be periodically moved around to gauge customer satisfaction in different areas of the community. People visiting that department can, as they leave, push one of four buttons to indicate whether they were very happy, moderately happy, moderately unhappy or very unhappy with the service.

Community members in attendance raised questions about parking, construction, mental health services, trash, communication, housing, crosswalks



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Toni Schreiner (from left), Michael Batz and Roland Schöffel of DPW work on a new crosswalk Sept. 18 on Hainerberg. Residents voiced concerns at a recent town hall over issues crossing roads with traffic near the schools, and garrison leaders took immediate action to make the roads safer.

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Exercise boosts MP skills

Emergency services personnel from different European countries and the U.S. practice together at the Active Shooter Instructor Course on a training site near Wackernheim. See story Page 5.

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AFAP offers venue for community voice

ACS accepting submissions for conference

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Have you ever wanted to change the world? Well, now is your chance to do just that — or at least your corner of the world.

Army Community Service is accepting community issues and concerns for the upcoming Army Family Action Plan conference, Oct. 18 and 19.

AFAP is a grassroots program

that was created more than 30 years ago by Army spouses with the intent of bringing quality-of-life issues to leadership for action. If you think that your ideas won't be heard; think again. Every issue brought forth is addressed, said ACS's Mary Cheney, who is in charge of the conference here. No submissions are discarded, she said. "When issues are submitted, there has to be some kind of resolution."

Resolution can be achieved in a variety of ways. It may mean forwarding an issue to the appropriate place, if it does not fall under the AFAP process, or it can be addressed on the spot. "Those issues that we can

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Garrison prioritizes preparedness

WHEREAS, this September marks the 17th anniversary of the tragic terrorist attacks of 9/11; AND

WHEREAS, in observing the 17th anniversary of September 11, 2001, we honor the memory of those who were lost and we will be doing all we can to ensure the Wiesbaden community is prepared to respond and recover from all types of disasters and hazards; AND

WHEREAS, September is National Preparedness Month, a time set aside annually to encourage citizens to take necessary steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, and communities; AND

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month creates an important opportunity for every resident of USAG Wiesbaden to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for any type of emergency from natural disasters to potential terrorist attacks; AND

WHEREAS, investing in the preparedness of ourselves, our families, installations, and local communities can save lives, lessen the impact of disaster, and ensure mission assurance; AND

WHEREAS, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every



Wiesbaden Soldier, Family member and civilian, everyone is urged to make preparedness a priority and work together, as a team, to ensure that individuals, Families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; AND

WHEREAS, all citizens of USAG Wiesbaden are encouraged to participate in citizen preparedness activities and asked to review the Ready campaign's websites at ready.gov or ready.army.mil.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Colonel Noah C. Cloud, by virtue of the au-

thority vested in me as Garrison Commander of USAG Wiesbaden, do hereby proclaim September 2018 as "National Preparedness Month."

DATED this 1st Day of September, 2018.

NOAH C. CLOUD
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CID unveils tool for reporting crime tips

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The Army community and American public now have the ability to use their computers and smartphones to submit tips about crimes, suspicious activity or threats to the U.S. Army's Criminal Investigation Command via a new digital crime tips system.

The CID crime tips system recently transitioned to a web-based and smartphone app submission method. The public can access the system via any internet-connected device by visiting www.cid.army.mil. In addition to the web interface, the app is for submission of tips and is available for free download from the Apple Store and Google Play at www.p3tips.com/app.aspx?ID=325.

According to CID's implementation project manager, Special Agent Christopher L.



Adams, the new system provides users a safe, secure and anonymous method to report criminal activity and security threats without concerns of retaliation or fear. He explained that whenever a person submits a tip online, the completed form is securely transferred directly to Army CID through a Secure Sockets Layer connection, which means that the tips are encrypted, entirely confidential and completely anonymous. Users can also attach images, videos and documents with their tips.

"This new system is the ideal solution for 'tipsters'

to report criminal activities or suspicious activity anonymously. Additionally, persons providing anonymous tips will have the ability to communicate with the CID Agents," Adams said. "After submitting a tip, a reference/ID number is created that allows the tipster to create a password to check the status of the submitted tip or check on the status of a reward — if applicable. So do not misplace your ID number, as it will be needed to check on the status of your tip."

There is also the multi-language feature for global use that allows tips to be auto-

converted into English on the backend regardless of what language they were submitted. Tips will be responded to in English and auto-translated back to their source language during the two-way dialog process.

According to Christopher Grey, CID's spokesman, the previous methods of reporting a crime to CID will remain in effect until the new Crime Tips System is fully implemented.

"It is critical for people to say something when they see something and it literally can mean the difference between someone receiving the justice they deserve or victimizing another innocent person," Grey said.

Contact the Wiesbaden CID office at (0611)143-546-6354, or contact 1-844-ARMY-CID (844-276-9243) or email CID at Army.CID.Crime.Tips@mail.mil.

Raise awareness for domestic violence

Take Back the Night race Oct. 11

Take back the night with a 1K, 5K and 10K run at 6 p.m. Oct. 11 at the fitness center. This Family-focused event is open to all DoD ID card holders in the U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden community.

Take Back the Night is an opportunity to raise awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault and to promote positive relationships and healthy habits. Starting at the fitness

center, there will be a Family-friendly 1K, a 5K for ages 16 and up, and a timed 10K for ages 16 and up. The 10K is for runners only. First, second and third place winners will be awarded in the 10K. All events are eligible for Commander's Cup points, so come out and compete or enjoy a nice walk with the Family — everything counts. The Red Cross, Army Wellness Center, Club Beyond and Community Bank will be on hand with fun activities for everyone.

Don't forget your reflective gear; it's mandatory for the 10K run and highly encouraged for all others. Register by Oct. 8 and don't forget to sign in the day of, beginning at 4 p.m. at the fitness center on Clay Kaserne. For any questions, please contact Army Community Service at (0611)143-548-9201/9202. To register, go to Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/take-back-the-night-road-run-tickets-49143851583>.

Wear Purple Fridays Every Friday in October

Raise awareness of domestic violence through a show of fashionable force. Wear something purple every Friday in October and let people know that you support victims and won't tolerate Family violence in your community. If you would like to participate, but need help finding something purple, swing by ACS and let them hook you up. End the silence, stop the violence.

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and streetlights.

Although Cloud said he is committed to making improvements where he can, the ideal solutions are not always possible. "There are limitations to what I can do, based on budget restraints," he said.

In response to concerns

voiced over crosswalks on Hainerberg, Cloud set up an impromptu meeting with directors from Emergency Services and Public Works to assess the situation. "Safety is one of my biggest concerns," Cloud said.

Two new crosswalks were installed following the meeting—one at the corner of Virginiastraße and Californiastraße and another near the crossing

of Virginiastraße and Floridastraße. More crosswalks may be added or moved as traffic and safety are continually assessed, said Eddie Johnson, director of Public Works for USAG Wiesbaden.

A compilation of questions and answers will be posted at herald-union.com and on the garrison website at www.wiesbaden.army.mil/docs/Town-Hall.pdf.

Run to Honor

9 to 11 a.m.

Sept. 29

Wiesbaden Fitness Center

Join fellow runners and walkers during this 5k event to honor fallen service members and their Families. Free. No registration required.

Soldiers march 300 miles to prepare for event

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Thirty-one U.S. Army Europe Soldiers from Wiesbaden and Hohenfels took part in the 102nd Four Days March in Nijmegen, Netherlands. The Soldiers marched 100 miles in total carrying 22 pounds of weight. Each day, July 17 to 20, the participants marched 25 miles; anyone who did not finish by 5 p.m. was disqualified.

It was a challenging march that required a lot of preparation and training. The Soldiers started training in February, and marched every week from February to July.

"We would start at 4:30 in the morning. We did training with our boots on and the rucksack. As we got closer, we started to train with the uniform on," said Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Salles. "Almost 500 kilometers of training for this event, and that was key to everyone's success."

The event attracted 47,000 participants from 68 countries in total, 5,500 military members from 27 countries among them.



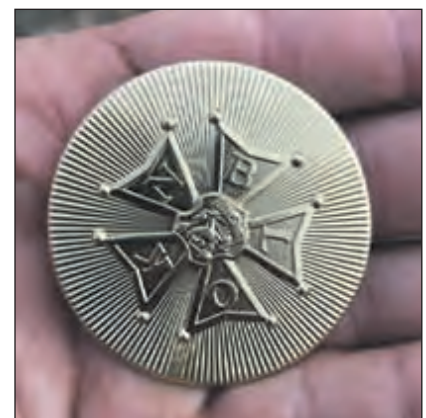
Photos courtesy of Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Salles

July 17 to 20, Soldiers from Wiesbaden and Hohenfels took part in the 102nd Four Days March in Nijmegen, Netherlands. They started training months before the event and accumulated approximately 300 miles of training in total.

"This is my second year doing it," said Staff Sgt. Matthew Landry. "I went back because of the international relations that you create, the camaraderie amongst all the different nations."

Landry said he also appreciated the attitude of the local population there.

"They are pro-military and they enjoy inspiring and motivating anybody who is participating in Nijmegen." Even though it is a stressful and physically demanding event, it does not feel like it, because of the motivation and cheering from the civilians, Landry added.



Participants who completed the march received a medal.

"I did it because I knew I like challenges, and I knew it was going to be a big challenge," said Salles, who was the group leader during the march.

The group started with 31 Soldiers, and on day four, 28 finished the march. The three that dropped out had serious pain issues or injuries, but nevertheless supported the success of the group. "The three that couldn't complete it helped out the rest of the time. It was really helpful for us to have them," Salles said.

News flash

Upcoming holidays

Community members should be aware of the following U.S. federal and training holidays, which may affect garrison front-door services and host nation holidays, which will affect businesses and services off post, as well as some on post staffed by local nationals.

Oct. 3 – German holiday “Tag der Deutschen Einheit” or German Unification Day

Oct. 5 – Training holiday

Oct. 8 – Federal holiday, Columbus Day

Call before you go on U.S., training and German holidays: www.wiesbaden.army.mil/phonebook.

Soldiers should confirm with their local chain of command whether they have a federal or training holiday off; they are not guaranteed.

Commissary closure

The Commissary will close at 4 p.m. Sept. 29 for a store reset and reopen Oct. 2.

Oct. 5 closures

The services within the Department of Human Resources will be closed for half a day on Oct. 5 starting at noon for a planned organizational event. The post office will have a change of hours that day as well; instead of opening at 11 a.m., they will open at 9:30 a.m. and remain open until noon.

CIF closure

The Wiesbaden Central Issue Facility will close from Oct. 22 to 26 to conduct its annual inventory. Soldiers out-processing the community should schedule their CIF appointments accordingly to avoid delays. Emergencies will be handled on a case-by-case basis. For more information contact Cliff Leach at DSN 546-6030.

Next CIE

If you missed the Aug. 23 Community Information Exchange, view the slides at www.herald-union.com/community-information-exchange or on the garrison website at www.wiesbaden.army.mil. Click News and Info for the link. The next CIE is Oct. 24 at the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center and the theme will be Halloween Activities/Fall Clean-up.

Notice

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Wiesbaden Library offers a window to many worlds

Event to show more than just books available

Story and photos by Karl Weisel
USAG Wiesbaden Family and MWR

It's a multi-dimensional portal to worlds far and wide.

It's a physical place — and at the same time a virtual reality.

That's right, today's Wiesbaden Library is a lot more than simply a collection of hard-copy books, CDs, DVDs and reference materials.

“The library has really evolved,” said Wiesbaden Library Director JoAnn Ogreenc. In addition to now offering around-the-clock access to online resources ranging from genealogical services to language lessons, test preparation to tutorial services, the library is also a place where people come together for recreational, cultural and children's activities.

“What we're really concentrating on is being a gathering place — America's living room — a place where people can get together,” Ogreenc said.

During the Grand Reopening of the Wiesbaden Library on Oct. 11 at 4:30 p.m., patrons will have a chance to learn more about the many opportunities available through the library and the various updates made to help enhance the overall library experience.

“Over the past three years we've been redesigning the library to make it a more flexible space,” Ogreenc said, explaining that this gives the staff and patrons the ability to more easily move things around for various functions and events.

“We've redone the computer stations to allow for more privacy.” Other new features include USB charging stations, memorable quotes on the library walls and more comfortable study and relaxation areas.

“This is our opportunity to reintroduce the library to the community,” she said, adding that cake and refreshments would be a highlight of the Grand Reopening event.

“Expand and explore — that's what it's all about,” Ogreenc said, pointing to the wide range of free



TOP: Marco Marques checks out books for a patron at the Wiesbaden Library.

ABOVE: The Wiesbaden Library will hold a Grand Reopening at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 11.

materials and services available — both physically and at the click of a computer mouse.

“We have books, video games, select movies, audio books for those long drives and an exceptional children's selection including Spanish-language books,” she said, adding that e-books, audio, video and e-magazines and newspapers (including nine major U.S. dailies) are also featured.

“Anytime someone comes in, we let them know there are a host of online tests they can do,” ranging from CLEP to GRE preparation, she said.

A handout available at the library front desk provides a handy showcase of online resources and how to get connected to gain access. Whether looking for a small-engine repair guide or brain training, downloadable e-materials to business and history texts — it's all listed in the 2018 Online Resources Guide.

Regular features at the library include Preschool and Spanish Language Story Times, American

Girl Doll Socials, Lego Block Parties, “Maker” Arts and Crafts classes, holiday book events and lots more.

“We're also partnering with Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers to offer life skills programs,” she said, pointing to a project where BOSS members make bean bag chairs for their barracks rooms.

“We'll have our ‘Blind Date With a Book’ in February,” Ogreenc said. This is a chance for patrons to check out a wrapped book, especially selected by the library staff, to discover a new author, interest or subject.

So, many great options for expanding one's horizons — during normal hours of operation at the Wiesbaden Library, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Bldg. 1029 on Clay Kaserne — or anytime online through <http://mwrlibrary.biznet.com>.

“The best thing about the library is you have a money-back guarantee. If you don't like it, bring it back,” Ogreenc concluded.

MPs get hands-on training at exercise

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An active shooter instructor course took place Aug. 13 to 21 at Finthen Local Training Area, Germany. The course was designed to give military police instructors the knowledge and skills to train first responders to active shooter incidents, said the new Provost Marshal and Director of Emergency Services Lt. Col. Edwin Escobar.

"No venue is safe," Escobar said. "This course was really good to give MPs a good foundation to teach other MPs."

In a joint exercise, U.S., German, Dutch, Swiss and Belgian emergency services personnel learned how to determine a threat, how to tactically enter and clear

a room and other first-responder tactics.

Instructors from Polizeitrainer in Deutschland and Team One provided the training in an urban operations village with the focus on practical skills and tactics.

The students practiced how to enter a building, first without shooting. Then, in the second scenario, targets were out and they shot the targets, Escobar said. In a third scenario, people suddenly jumped out and the students had to react and differentiate between civilians and threats.

"It was great, high intensity training and building relationships with our German and other foreign national counterparts. Team One and PID do a great job partnering together to give us a building block of realistic training," said Staff Sgt.



Lena Stange/USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

Emergency services personnel practice together at an Active Shooter Instructor Course on a training site near Wackernheim.

E. Jason Frantz, MP Investigations Section supervisor, who participated in the exercise.

"I definitely felt that it was worth it because this joint training, the German Polizei and the U.S. MPs, they have to work together to either enter a house, a building or a school in any of our housing communities because we heavily depend on their responsiveness and expertise," Escobar said.

Escobar new provost marshal

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USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

Lt. Col. Edwin Escobar took over as provost marshal and director of emergency services at U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden July 2. Before coming to Wiesbaden, Escobar taught military science for the Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University ROTC.



Escobar

"It was an opportunity to mold America's future officers," he said. "It was a good time, but I am glad to be back in the MP Corps."

The Florida-born provost marshal, who is stationed in Europe for the third time, said he is determined to continue the level of success; his goal is to have one synchronized team to protect the Wiesbaden community.

"I just want to continue to enhance the profession of policing with engaged leadership and with great, deliberate intent," Escobar said.

Retirees invited to appreciation day in Wiesbaden

USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden and U.S. Army Europe G1 will host an Army in Europe Retiree Appreciation Day from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Mission Command Center on Clay Kaserne.

Retiree Appreciation Days are conducted to demonstrate the Army's continuing appreciation for retired Soldiers' past service to the nation and to foster their support for the Army, its current Soldiers, and their families.

This annual public event recognizes America's armed forces retirees and provides a forum to update retiring and retired Soldiers and their Family members and survivors on changes in their retirement benefits and entitlements

and seeks their involvement in installation and command programs. The event provides opportunities to renew acquaintances, listen to guest speakers, renew ID cards and get medical checkups and other services.

Defense Finance and Accounting Service, Veterans Affairs and Social Security Administration will be present to provide services. The Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic will provide medical services such as immunizations, blood pressure checks, women's health issues, eye examinations, Tricare representative, hearing exams, cancer screenings, pharmacy, radiology, laboratory services, etc.

Please contact Kristin Banks at (0611)143-548-1614, email: kristin.d.banks.civ@mail.mil; or Andres Cortes at (0611)143-548-1600, email: andres.r.cortes.civ@mail.mil.



Jacob Corbin/Herald Union file

Retirees get services and information at a Retirement Appreciation Day in 2015. This year's event is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Mission Command Center on Clay Kaserne.

City of Wiesbaden siren testing

The City of Wiesbaden Fire Department regularly conducts siren testing. Saturday, Oct. 6 at noon is the last remaining test scheduled in 2018. For testing purposes, the siren will wail for five seconds.

In the case of a real emergency,

a wailing sound that lasts about one minute is used to tell community members to turn on their radios and TVs to receive information about the current situation. In the case of a fire, a one-minute continuous siren with two separate tones is used.

If either of these signals is heard, community members on and off post should stay inside, keep windows and doors closed, turn off air conditioning and tune in to local radio stations as well as the municipal fire brigade website at feuerwehr-wiesbaden.de.

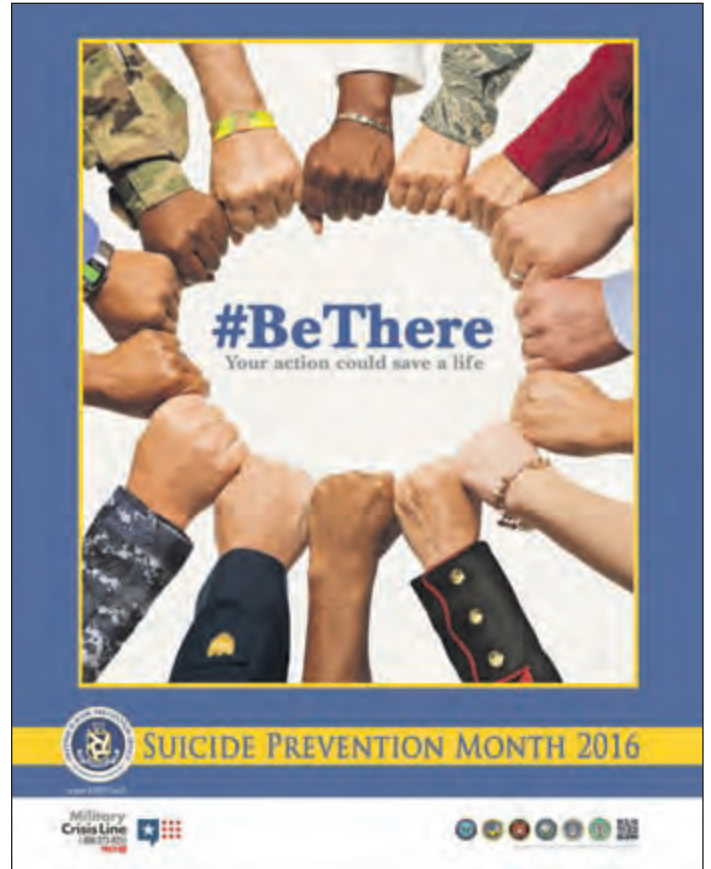


USAREUR welcomes new deputy CG



Volker Ramsrott/TS&E

U.S. Army Europe Commanding General Lt. Gen. Christopher Cavoli adds the USAREUR patch to the left uniform sleeve of Maj. Gen. Andrew Rohling, the new deputy commanding general for USAREUR, Aug. 20 during a ceremony at the command's headquarters in Wiesbaden. Prior to coming to Wiesbaden, Rohling served as the deputy chief of staff operations for the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps in the United Kingdom.



AFAP

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resolve immediately, we send through the ICE system if it can be a quick fix," Cheney said.

At the installation level, delegates are chosen to participate in the conference and represent a cross-section of demographics from the installation to include Soldiers, spouses and civilians, Cheney said.

At the conference the delegates are assigned to diverse work groups and given issues to prioritize. Topics vary but include quality of life issues and entitlements. If an issue is not prioritized, then that must be substantiated.

Finally, issues are fine-tuned so that as it moves forward in the process, it is clear what is being requested, she said.

Two local issues that have recently been resolved through the AFAP process at the local level are the addition of crosswalks between the soccer fields on Hainerberg and the addition of a dog park, also on Hainerberg.

Requests that cannot be addressed locally are funneled to U.S. Army Europe and from there they are forwarded to the General Officers Steering Committee, chaired by the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, for resolution. Typically a handful of issues from each garrison are forwarded to the GOSC, which reviews the issues twice a year.

"It's one of the most democratic processes that the Army has," Cheney said. "It comes from the local level."

About AFAP

The Army Family Action Plan provides a mechanism for all individuals who comprise the Army's Total Force: Soldiers (active and reserve component); retirees; Department of the Army civilians; Family members; and surviving spouses, to identify and elevate issues that impact their quality of life. Through this annual process, AFAP issues are prioritized and assigned to a lead agency for resolution and an action plan is established to achieve desired change. The AFAP process operates at three distinct levels — garrison and tenant unit, mid-level command, and Headquarters, Department of the Army. Leadership uses this information to improve living conditions and institute information and support programs that foster more informed and satisfied Army



community members.

The garrison commander, leading the AFAP Steering Committee, makes the final determination on the status of all issues and recommendations arising from the conference.

Each issue should contribute to the improvement of the quality of life within the Army.

Make a difference

Get involved by submitting your issues, becoming a delegate or volunteering.

The conference will occur from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct 18, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct 19 at Army Community Service and the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center. Registration is from 8:30 to 9 a.m. Oct 18. Training for facilitators, recorders, transcribers and Issue Support Staff will be held on Oct 9 at 11 a.m. in the ACS Annex Training Room, Bldg. 7790 Texas Strasse, Apt 4.

Training for delegates will be held at 9 a.m. Oct 18 in the ACS Cafeteria. All community members are invited to the outbrief with garrison leadership at 3 p.m. Oct 19.

How to submit

Look for submission boxes at the Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic, post office, Exchange, DFAC and ACS or send an email to mary.k.cheney.civ@mail.mil.

Community notes

Blood drive

Donate blood at the ASBP Blood Drive from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 25 at the Fitness Center. Walk-ins are welcome, or make an appointment at www.militarydonor.com or by calling the Wiesbaden Red Cross office at (0611) 143-548-1760.

Fire prevention

The Wiesbaden Fire Department will host a fire prevention event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 11 in front of the Exchange on Hainerberg. Children will have the chance to climb on a fire truck, pick up goodies and meet Sparky.

Hispanic Heritage Month event

Enjoy foods and entertainment from around Latin America at the U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden Hispanic Heritage Month celebration from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 3 at the Wiesbaden Fitness Center. Volunteers are needed to make the event a success. Sign up to bring a dish: www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b44aaab22a6fc1-hispanic1.

Combined Federal Campaign

The Combined Federal Campaign will kick off with its annual chili cookoff from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Oct. 25 at the Tony Bass Gym. Donate to the charity of your choice at <https://cfegiving.opm.gov/welcome>.

CMA Songwriters Series

Army Entertainment and MWR present the Country Music Association Songwriters Series live at the Vault Club and Casino on Oct. 14 at 7 p.m. Enjoy four songwriters — direct from Nashville — performing their songs and telling the stories behind the songs. Featured artists include Ashley Campbell, Chris DeStefano, Drake White and Charlie Worsham. The event is free.

Oktoberfest open house

Join the Army Education Center, Central Texas College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical

University, the University of Oklahoma, University of Maryland University College-Europe, the VA, and the National Testing Center for their fourth annual Oktoberfest open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 26 outside Bldg. 1023W. There will be music, fun, free pretzels and an AAFES food truck will have items available for purchase. Everyone will be dressed in their German best.

Fall Bazaar

Community members can get a head start on their holiday shopping during the annual Fall Bazaar Oct. 26 to 28 at the Wiesbaden Sports, Fitness and Outdoor Recreation Center. Shop for tax-free international goods ranging from furniture to pottery, carpets to wine and other items.

Library Grand Reopening

Join the staff of the Wiesbaden Library in celebrating the Grand Reopening of the facility on Oct. 11 at 4:30 p.m.

One Act Play Festival

U.S. Army IMCOM-Europe Entertainment and KMC Onstage in Kaiserslautern will host the 2018 One Act Play Festival and Theater Skills Workshops Oct. 5 to 7. Visit <https://global.armymwr.com/ArmyEuropeEntertainment/2018-one-act-play-festival-theatre-skills-workshops-1> for details.

Wiesbaden walking tour

Army Community Service will host a walking tour of Wiesbaden from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 10. While the tour is free, participants are advised to bring euros for public transportation, shopping and dining. Call (0611) 143-548-9201 to register.

Holiday Assistance Program

The Holiday Assistance Program assists military and civilian Families, primarily the Families of specialists and below, with needs during the holi-

day season. This includes a food voucher or gift certificates for Thanksgiving and Christmas for qualified Families. Completed applications (available through chain of command and at Army Community Service), signed by the commander or designated authority, must reach ACS, Bldg. 7790, on Hainerberg by 3:30 p.m. Nov. 12 for Thanksgiving and Dec. 14 for Christmas. Call (0611) 143-548-9201.

Right Arm Night

The Vault Club and Casino will host Right Arm Night on Oct. 19 starting at 6 p.m. with a darts tournament, complimentary food (chicken wings) and drink specials. Call (0611) 143-548-9410 for more information.

Gift wrap volunteers

Volunteer groups can show their holiday spirit and raise money this season by partnering with the Exchange during its annual community gift-wrap program. Interested organizations can contact the Exchange at (0611) 7238-6104 for more information.

Spouse orientation

The Spouse Orientation Program, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 17 at Army Community Service, is a spouse-specific briefing aimed at exposing spouses to the benefits, programs, opportunities and resources offered in and around U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden. Get information and answers from the subject matter experts. Contact ACS at (0611) 143-548-9201 to register.

Canvas and Corkscrews

Join fellow artists and potential artists in a relaxed setting during Canvas and Corkscrews at the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center on Oct. 19 starting at 6 p.m. Get tips from the instructor and sip the beverage of your choice while painting and socializing. Sign up at the Wiesbaden Arts and Crafts Center.

Successful Money Management

Join this free Army Com-

munity Service class on Oct. 11 from 1 to 2:15 p.m. to learn how to stick to a budget and establish a better understanding of personal spending habits. Call (0611) 143-548-9201 to register.

Host Nation Orientation

Army Community Service sponsored Host Nation Orientation is a great way for newcomers to learn about German culture, language, public transportation, and tips about living in our community. Host Nation Orientation is held every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center. Call ACS at (0611) 143-548-9201 for more information.

German classes

Increase your language skills during Army Community Service's free German language classes Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Sign up at ACS, Bldg. 7790 on Hainerberg, or call (0611) 143-548-9201.

Spanish story time

Children up to age 6 are invited to enjoy stories, songs and more in Spanish during Spanish Language Story Time every second Tuesday of the month from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Wiesbaden Library.

BOSS meetings

All newly arrived single service members are encouraged to attend a Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Meeting to learn about what BOSS offers and to make new friends. Members of all service branches are welcome. Topics covered are quality of life, recreation opportunities and community service opportunities. Meetings take place at 3 p.m. on Oct. 3 and 17 at the Warrior Zone. Call (0611) 143-548-9816 for details.

Movie night

Make new friends and enjoy a free movie at the Warrior Zone on Tuesdays at 6 p.m. No registration is required — first-come, first-served. Call (0611) 143-548-9816 for more information.

EFMP bowling

Every second Wednesday of the month the Exceptional Family Member Program sponsors a free bowling night for Soldiers, civilians and retirees with Family members who have special needs at the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center at 5:30 p.m. This is a good opportunity for children and parents to meet other community members as well as to connect with EFMP and support staff to discover resources that may be available. Call ACS at (0611) 143-548-9201 for details.

Play Morning

Play Morning is a play group for children ages 12 months to 3 years that meets Fridays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in Bldg. 7780 on Hainerberg. Call (0611) 143-548-9201 for more information.

There's an artist in everyone

The Wiesbaden Arts and Crafts Center offers art classes on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Call (0611) 143-548-9838 for details.

Positive parenting

Strengthen your relationship with your child by learning how to make sense of his or her behavior during Army Community Service's free Positive Parenting Class on Oct. 17 from 10 to 11 a.m. Learn how to better recognize your child's needs and to be present with him or her during the best and toughest times. Call (0611) 143-548-9201 to reserve a space in the class.

Auto Skills can help

The Wiesbaden Automotive Skills Center on the north side of Clay Kaserne offers a wide variety of services including wheel alignment service, tire pressure monitor system repair, a basic maintenance class for spouses and more. Stop by to find out about these services or to work on your own vehicle. Call (0611) 143-548-6679.

Employees recognized for service

USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden employees received various awards Aug. 31 during the All-Hands assembly. Specifically, individual and team Customer Service Awards were presented for third quarter, fiscal year 2018, in support of the garrison commander's goal of providing the best customer service in Europe.

Patricia Fransted from the Directorate of Public Works was named the winner of the third quarter Customer Service Award.

The Team Excellence award was presented to a team from DPW that planned and built the Berlin Airlift Aircrews Memorial on Clay Kaserne. The team included Sebastian DiBari-Wittoesch, Reiner Raab, Frank Haeussler, Andreas Koehn, Kevin Breunig, Marcel Erbes, Michael Truch, Uwe Lichter, Raymond Schaaf, Frank Endres, Christoph Koehlhofer and Oliver Vogt.



A team comprised of employees from several directorates was honored with the Cross-Organizational Award for organization of the 2018 German American Friendship Fest. This team included Corinna Faulk, Joe Harris and Bill Montgomery from the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation; Mike Jungmann and Sgt. 1st Class Joseph Kirkey from the Directorate of Emergency Services; Juergen Thieme and Oliver Stroh from DPW; Helmut Schartel and Hartwig Knorr from Safety; and Jay Johnson from S3/5/7.



Photos by Volker Ramspott/TS&E

TOP LEFT: Third quarter Customer Service Award, Patricia Fransted, DPW.

TOP RIGHT: Team Excellence award winners.

ABOVE: Cross-Organizational Award winners, 2018 German American Friendship Fest.



JAG accepting funded applications

Office of The Judge Advocate General

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program. Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 25 active duty, commissioned officers to law school at government expense. Selected officers will attend law school beginning in fall 2019 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Army MILPER Message 18-081 and Chapter 10 of AR 27-1, The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program, to determine their eligibility. This program is open to officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain. Applicants must have at least two, but not more than six, years of total active federal service at the time legal training begins. Eligibility is governed by statute (10 U.S.C. 2004) and is non-waivable.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the earliest offering of the Law School Admission Test. Applicants must send their request through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at Army Human Resources Command. Send the original application to the Office of The Judge Advocate General, ATTN: DAJA-PT (Ms. Yvonne Caron-Rm 28517), 2200 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310, to be received by Nov. 1. Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Interested officers should contact Maj. Charles Jackson at charles.h.jackson.mil@mail.mil.



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Soldiers should plan transition up to 2 years ahead

Anna Morelock

USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

While a year might seem like plenty of time, service members getting ready to retire or separate from the Army need to start planning at least that far out, but preferably even sooner.

Luckily, the Soldier for Life - Transition Assistance Program is available to guide Soldiers and their family members into life after the Army.

U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden SFL-TAP Manager Barbara Barnett, encourages all Soldiers to get a head start and take full advantage of the services and classes offered.

"If you just check the box, or scramble to do it, you're not going to be able to take full advantage," Barnett said.

The transition program is mandatory for all separating Soldiers, and retiring Soldiers can start the transition program

process up to 24 months prior to their retirement date. Soldiers just moving on from the Army can start up to 18 months before their expiration of term of service. Regardless of what they plan next, all separating Soldiers need to complete their first SFL-TAP briefing at least 12 months prior to their retirement or ETS date.

First and foremost, Soldiers need to complete a 90-minute transition brief online at <https://portal.sfl-tap.army.mil/>.

After the online briefing, Soldiers should call the SFL-TAP office located in Building 1023 East on Clay Kaserne at (0611) 143-548-1318 to set up an initial counseling appointment. After that appointment, Soldiers can take advantage of briefings about benefits available to them based on their service.

The SFL-TAP curriculum includes workshops focusing on financial planning, Veterans Affairs benefits and

Department of Labor employment resources.

"If they don't complete this workshop they may be losing out on huge possibilities for not only providing them and their family different benefits for the rest of their lives, but also on monetary benefits," Barnett said. "There are many things people don't know about whether it be discounts on home ownership or education benefits."

SFL-TAP also offers transitioning Soldiers courses on resume writing and interview techniques, and a virtual center where they can access resources if they're unable to attend a course.

For more information on transitioning to civilian life, Soldiers should contact their Unit Transition Assistance Planning Coordinator, the Soldier For Life Center or visit www.sfl-tap.army.mil.

Upcoming Workshops

Transition Overview

ETS: Oct. 3, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Retiree: Oct. 17, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

All: Oct. 31, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

All: Dec. 5, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Other courses:

- MOS Crosswalk
- Financial Planning
- VA Benefits
- DOL Employment Workshop
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Fitness Resolution Day

Enjoy a wide range of free classes, pick up nutrition tips and more during the Find Your Inspiration Fitness Resolution Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 22 at the Wiesbaden Sports, Fitness and Outdoor Recreation Center.

Lighting maintenance

Sections of the fitness center will be temporarily closed off Oct. 1 to 12 while new LED lighting is installed. This will affect parts of the cardio/FFT and weight areas. Fitness center hours will remain the same.

NFL London trip

Join Wiesbaden Outdoor Recreation for a trip to London Oct. 19 to 22, including a live NFL football game featuring the Tennessee Titans versus the Los Angeles Chargers. Cost is \$589 per adult, \$439 for children up to age 11. Register at the Wiesbaden Sports, Fitness and Outdoor Recreation Center or call (0611) 143-548-9830.

Boot Camp Basic

Boot Camp Basic offers participants the necessary foundation to build their bodies with strength conditioning, mobility and the tools to tackle future strenuous boot camp fitness classes offered by the Wiesbaden fitness facility. Training sessions are three weeks long, semi-strenuous and involve training that will be held in an outside/in-door environment for 60 minutes at a time. Training days are Mondays and Wednesdays from 8 to 9 a.m. and 5 to 6 p.m. starting Oct. 1. Participants must meet with a trainer on Sept. 28 for a fitness assessment. Cost is \$80 per person. Call (0611) 143-548-9830 for more information.

CYS Winter Sports

Enroll through Nov. 16 for Child and Youth Services winter season sports. The season will run from December to March with sports including basketball, cheer, wrestling, dodgeball and bowling. Register at Parent Central Services or call (0611) 143-548-9356.

Recreational shooting

Wiesbaden Outdoor Recreation hosts recreational shooting at the Wackernheim Range on Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Firearms are available for rent. Call (0611) 143-548-9801.

Self-defense classes

Introductory and advanced self-defense classes will be held at the Wiesbaden Sports, Fitness and Outdoor Recreation Center on Oct. 6 and 13 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The classes will be taught by Bob and Alicia Karnes, head instructors of the Golden Sage Martial Arts at the fitness center. Cost is \$20 per individual or \$35 per couple. Sign up at the fitness center or call (0611) 143-548-9830.

Future Eagle Scout builds flag stands for new Wiesbaden Middle School

Story and photo by Lena Stange
USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs Office

Boy Scout Sean Marshall worked on upgrading his rank from Life to Eagle Scout. At just 14 years old, he completed his Eagle Scout Project by building flag stands for the new Wiesbaden Middle School.

"We came up with the idea of doing the flag stands because the middle school is being torn down, so the brand new middle school needed these flag stands," Sean said. "Instead of having all the tiny ones on the poles in individual classrooms, these will be sitting out in the hallways and main entrances."

He and some other Boy Scouts met at the Aukamm Scout hut to build the bases Aug. 23. They glued the wood, drilled holes into it and added screws. Sean and John Gardner-Brown from the Arts and Crafts Center on Clay Kaserne had already cut the wood into the right shape.

The following Saturday, Sean and his friends from the Boy Scouts would sand the edges to make sure they are not rough and stain the stands to



Sean Marshall (left), future Eagle Scout, glues together the wooden parts of the flag stands with help from younger scouts.

make them durable, said Sean, who enjoyed constructing something on his own.

Becoming an Eagle Scout means reaching the highest rank in the Boy Scouts. "I am proud of it. It has been a long five years to get here," Sean said, "I just love being around these guys. ... It's just all very fun; it's a

great experience."

After finishing, the stands were handed over to Dr. Jeff Pond, assistant principal of WMS, who made sure that the flag stands with the new flags got into the right places in the school. The old flags were disposed of properly over the summer at large Boy Scout camps in Europe, Pond said.

Outdoor Recreation to get new space



Karl Weisel/Wiesbaden Family and MWR Marketing

Ron Locklar (center), Wiesbaden Family and MWR Community Recreation Division chief, talks to Jens Mueller, contracting officer representative for the Army Corps of Engineers; Klaus Hahn, chief of construction, DPW Engineering Division; and Oliver Hroch, Construction inspector for DPW Engineering Division, about progress on the construction of the new Outdoor Recreation Center on Clay North. "This will be one of the nicest and most modern facilities in the Army," Locklar said about the \$10 million facility. Construction is expected to be completed by August 2019 with the new center opening sometime in the fall. It will consolidate almost all of Outdoor Rec's services in one central location.

IMCOM welcomes new CG Becker

Susan A. Merkner

U.S. Army Installation Management
Command Public Affairs

Lt. Gen. Bradley A. Becker took command of United States Army Installation Management Command in ceremonies Sept. 5 at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

Becker was promoted to lieutenant general immediately before the ceremony by Gen. Mark A. Milley, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army.

Becker replaces Lt. Gen. Kenneth R. Dahl, who had served IMCOM since November 2015.

During Becker's promotion ceremony, Milley said the new IMCOM commander was talented and humble, a man who "is not afraid to speak truth to power. We want servant-leaders in our generals."

At the change of command ceremony, Milley praised IMCOM and its employees, thanking them for generating Army readiness by supporting Soldiers, their Families and civilians. "Readiness is much more than manning, equipping and training. Soldiers can't focus exclusively on their combat mission if they think their Family is in lousy housing, or has inadequate medical care, or unsafe schools for their children," he said.

Of the Army's 1.1 million Soldiers, 60 percent are married and most have at least two

children, Milley said.

Under Dahl's leadership, IMCOM reduced 1,000 positions "which allowed us to apply those resources to build an SFAB (Security Force Assistance Brigade) which is in Afghanistan today," Milley said.

"Every base and installation is important, both in CONUS and overseas," Milley said. "Every single Soldier in the Army passes through IMCOM at some point, and IMCOM is responsible for the readiness of today's Army."

Dahl was the first commanding general of IMCOM who was not dual-hatted as the Army's Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management. During his remarks at the ceremony, Dahl thanked the command's 50,000 employees for their role in providing continuity in the Army's 75 installations.

Despite budget cuts and doubling down on multiple jobs, IMCOM employees are dedicated professionals who keep the day-to-day operations going, providing facilities, utilities, security and recreational opportunities, he said.

"IMCOM provides platforms for readiness, so our Soldiers are fit, trained and ready for combat," said Dahl, who will be retiring from active service later this month.

Becker thanked Family and

friends for their support and said Dahl built a great team at IMCOM.

"IMCOM touches the lives of every Soldier, civilian and their Family members in the Army," Becker said. "What you do every day is truly impressive. I appreciate all you do to keep the Army strong."

The change of command ceremony Sept. 5 included music by the First Armored Division Army Band, the national anthem sung by Sgt. 1st Class Charmakeitha M. Smith of IMCOM, and an invocation by IMCOM Command Chaplain Col. Yvonne Hudson.

IMCOM Command Sgt. Maj. Melissa A. Judkins participated in the guidon exchange ceremony with the three generals.

Prior to taking command of IMCOM, Becker was chief, Office of Security Cooperation-Iraq, U.S. Central Command, Iraq.

He was commander of the Joint Force Headquarters — National Capital Region and the U.S. Army Military District of Washington. He previously served as the commanding general, U.S. Army Training Center and Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He has had several joint assignments and has served in Iraq and Korea, as well as at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and Fort Lewis, Washington.



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Outgoing IMCOM Commanding General Lt. Gen. Kenneth R. Dahl passes the guidon to Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army Gen. Mark A. Milley during the IMCOM change of command ceremony Sept. 5 at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

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Students head back to school

Col. Cloud focuses on safety as 2018-19 year begins

Emily Jennings
USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

Students and their Families got one last celebration before going back to school at the Back-to-School Expo Aug. 24 at the Exchange.

Children bounced in moon jumps, got their faces painted, played games, made crafts and collected goodies from a variety of booths set up by schools, garrison organizations and home-based and commercial businesses.

Garrison Commander Col. Noah C. Cloud kicked off the event by thanking participants for their effort and highlighting the garrison's emphasis on safety as school gets back in session.

"What's most important to us is your safety," he told the crowd.

Cloud, along with school staff and emergency services personnel, has been monitoring traffic patterns to ensure all students stay safe.

On the first day of school, Aug. 27, he spoke at the inaugural morning meeting at the new Wiesbaden Middle School. He reminded students to use crosswalks and look out for one another.

"Take great advantage of this wonderful new school," he told students. "You're the first. Be kind to one another. Make sure it's a wonderful experience for each other."

Nominate your favorite principal

Every year Department of Defense Education Activity students, parents and school faculty recognize top-notch school principals who lead high-quality learning opportunities for students and demonstrate exemplary contributions to the profession.

Selected principals receive awards and professional opportunities. DoDEA finalists will be considered for the National Association of Elementary Principals and National Association of Secondary School



Lena Stange/USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

Children file into Aukamm Elementary Aug. 27 for the first day of school.

Principals Principal of the Year awards.

Visit dodea.edu/principaloftheyear.cfm to learn more about the program and how you can help nominate a great educational leader.

Deadline for nominations is Oct. 19.

School lunches

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Sponsors need to re-apply for a free or reduced school lunch every school year. Sponsors who do not reapply will be charged full price for their student's lunch.

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- Sept. 25 - Scholarships - The College Application Essay - Free Application Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and Financial Aid, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Wiesbaden Entertainment Center

Driver training

Road Code - Drivers Training Program
Sept. 21, Oct. 5 and Nov. 2 at the Teen Center

Mousetrap Race cars

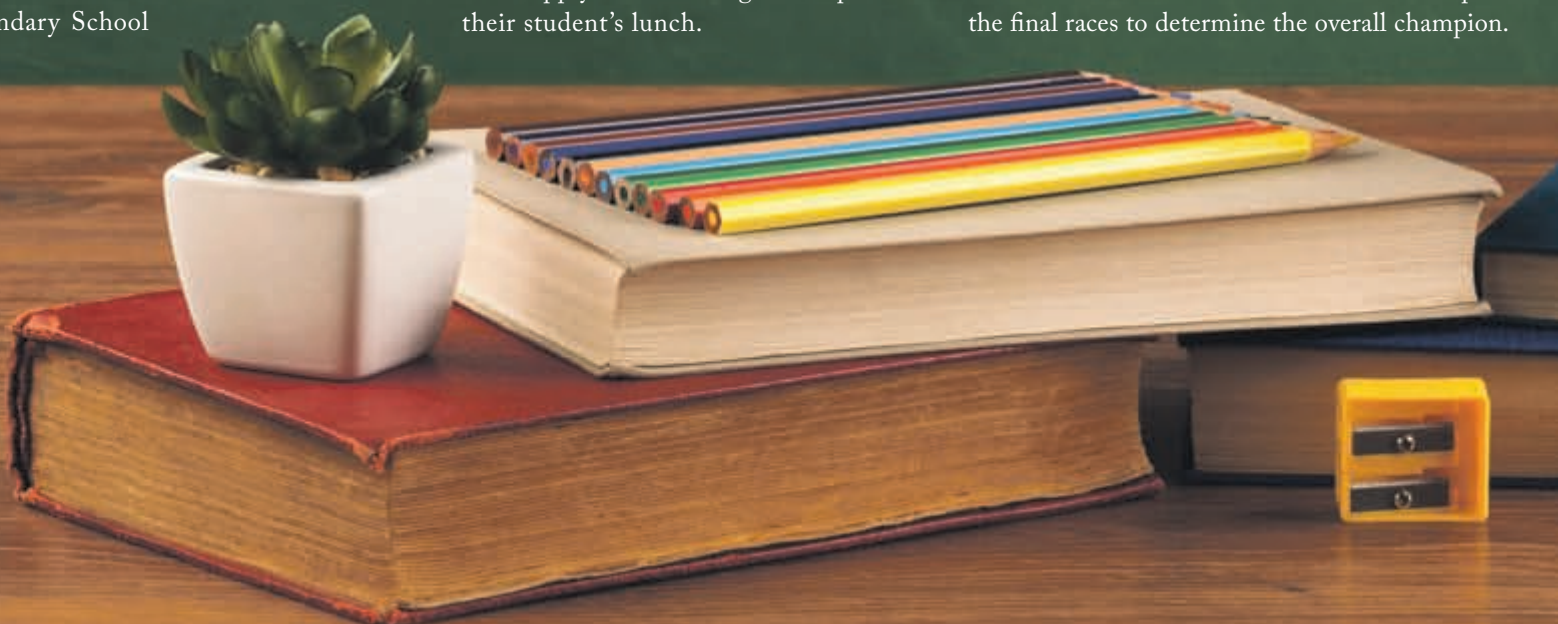
The Wiesbaden DoDEA schools host the 4th annual Mouse Trap Race Car race from noon to 2:30 p.m. Nov. 28.

Forty cars will be invited to participate; 23 will be student built, including from nearby German schools.

On race day, teams may bring their fastest three cars to race. Each car team may include up to four students and an adult sponsor or teacher.

Rules:

The mouse trap type provided in the car kit is the only authorized means of propulsion to be used by competing cars. Modification is allowed to car wheels, axle, body and any mechanisms other than the actual mouse trap. There are no height or weight restrictions. Total width and length of the car are restricted to 24 inches, not including the lever arm. Winning cars are determined by which vehicle completes the 10 meter course distance first. Mouse trap race officials will adjudicate all challenges, race discrepancies and interpretations of the official Mouse Trap Car Rules. Preliminary "heat races" will narrow the field. Top finishers will advance and four cars will compete in the final races to determine the overall champion.



New principal welcomed at Aukamm

Anna Morelock
USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

Last school year, U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden's two newest principals were teammates in Yokosuka, Japan. Dr. Jackie Ferguson as a principal and Angelia Hadley as an assistant principal.

This school year, Hadley joins Ferguson as a principal in Wiesbaden. Hadley replaced Alice Berard as the principal of Aukamm Elementary.



Hadley

"It's a great, great environment," Hadley said of her new school. "The teachers here are just phenomenal. I'm impressed with how they're so supportive of each other and supportive of me coming in as a newbie. It's been a very easy transition; I couldn't have asked for a better assignment."

Her new assignment is a bit of a change. Hadley's previous school had about 1,200 students, while for her first principalship, she'll be overseeing Aukamm's approximately 200 students.

Hadley spent about 12 years in Asia in various assignments with the Department of Defense Education Activity. She considers this her first time in Germany, even though she was here with her Army Family from about age 2 to 4. Her upbringing in a military family and her experiences as the spouse of a Marine, now retired, played roles in Hadley's decision to originally apply with DoDEA. She said she enjoys military communities and appreciates her children's experiences in DoDEA schools.

Hadley said supporting military students is a highlight of her life. She appreciates any feedback from parents and staff and is there to ensure her charges are getting the best education they can.

"It's a top-notch group here," Hadley said of Aukamm's teachers. "I just want to continue leading them in the right direction. Ensuring that we're providing effective instruction and supporting our students and just making sure they're having fun and enjoying school and their needs are being met — academically, socially."



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Col. Noah C. Cloud (right) helps cut the cake at the Back-to-School Expo with Nicoletta Bonato (from left); Hainerberg Elementary Principal Dr. Tonya Laliberte; Aukamm Elementary Principal Angelia Hadley; Wiesbaden Middle School Principal Dr. Jackie Ferguson; Caelum Wallace, Wiesbaden High School football team captain and school president; and Wiesbaden High School Principal Dr. Sandra Whitaker Aug. 24 at the Exchange.



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Lena Stange/USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

ABOVE: Children and parents at Wiesbaden Department of Defense Education Activity schools went back to school Aug. 27.

ABOVE LEFT: A child rides a go kart at the Back-to-School Expo Aug. 24 at the Exchange. Garrison organizations, home-based businesses, commercial businesses and schools hosted activities and gave away prizes at the event.



Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic Hours:

Monday to Friday:
7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Medical care teams ensure continuity

Capt. Kaitlyn Hulcher

Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic

Over the course of the summer, patients at the Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic may have wondered about irregularities in the providers they were scheduled to see at their appointments. While every patient at WAHC has been assigned to a primary care manager, the shifts in staffing as a result of PCS season for both military and civilian providers may have created the need to reassign patients to a new PCM. As an accredited Patient-Centered Medical Home, WAHC has established medical care teams consisting of providers, nurses and support staff who all work in coordination with each other to ensure continuity of care.

"Rather than having a single PCM who knows your medical history, current issues and concerns, our patients have an entire team," said WAHC Commander Lt. Col. Stacey Freeman. "Each care team has huddles or meetings to discuss patients' diagnoses, desired outcomes and current treatment plans. In the event that a military doctor is on TDY or a civilian nurse is out sick, the rest of the team is able to continue

the PCM's plan of care for that patient."

Soldiers who have chosen the medical career field are still required to fulfill military obligations like range qualification, officer and enlisted professional schools and field exercise rotations. In many cases, military providers who are assigned to a military treatment facility may be pulled away to support the global mission.

"We have to remember that our military providers are Soldiers first," Freeman said. "Their obligation is to the needs of the Army, and sometimes that means they will not be present for your appointment." Regardless, Freeman said that every effort will be made to at least provide patients with appointments with a provider on their PCM's respective team.

One of the main tenets of the PCMH model is building relationships between patients and providers in order to establish a partnership for health and wellness. Through the Army Medicine Secure Messaging System – what many patients knew as RelayHealth prior to the contract name change – patients are able to connect with their care teams online to request appointments and prescription refills, inquire

about lab and radiology results, or simply send a message with a question or concern. This year, Army Medicine completed the enterprise shift to TRICARE Online Secure Messaging and patients can access that program at www.TOLSecureMessaging.com or through their TRICARE Online account.

As the height of overseas PCS season nears an end, WAHC has seen the steady growth of their staff with new employees arriving in Germany and beginning the in-processing program.

"We all know the amount of time it takes to find a house, schedule a household goods delivery, pick up your car, get your ID card registered, while simultaneously adjusting to the time zone," Freeman said. "So, as our new providers and care team members get settled into their new lives here in Germany, we really appreciate the support and understanding our patients have shown. Wiesbaden is a great military community and a wonderful place to live."

Capt. Hulcher is the Deputy Commander for Administration at the WAHC.

Get to know FEDVIP dental and vision plans

Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic

The TRICARE Retiree Dental Program ends Dec. 31. Beginning in 2019, dental and vision plans will be available through the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program. Now is a good time to become familiar with FEDVIP options. FEDVIP 2019 plans and rates will be online in the fall. But you can look at 2018 plans and rates now.

FEDVIP offers a choice between 10 dental and four vision options. This fall will be your first chance to enroll in a FEDVIP dental or vision plan for 2019 coverage. If you're eligible, you can enroll in FEDVIP during the 2018 Federal Benefits Open Season. This



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runs from Nov. 12 to Dec. 10.

Who is eligible?

- Retired service members and their Families who were eligible for TRDP are eligible for FEDVIP dental coverage, and vision coverage if enrolled in a TRICARE health plan.

- Family members of active duty service members who are enrolled in a TRICARE health plan are eligible for FEDVIP vision coverage.
- Children enrolled in or eligible for TRICARE Young Adult aren't eligible.

When do you enroll?

- You can enroll in FEDVIP during the Federal Benefits Open Season, which runs from Nov. 12 to Dec. 10 this year. Coverage begins Jan. 1, 2019.
- If you currently have TRDP, you must enroll in a FEDVIP plan during the Federal Benefits Open Season to continue dental coverage for 2019.
- The Federal Benefits Open Season is your annual opportunity to enroll in, change, or cancel a FEDVIP dental or vision plan.

For more information, visit www.benefeds.com. You can see if you're eligible for FEDVIP in 2019. You can also compare FEDVIP plans, look up frequently asked questions, and sign up for updates.

Patient Advisory Council

The Wiesbaden Army Health Clinic hosts the Patient Advisory Council to solicit feedback from the USAG Wiesbaden community, answer questions and provide important clinic updates. The next council meeting will be on Sept. 27 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Clay Kaserne Chapel Activity Room (downstairs).

BERLIN AIRLIFT

JUNE 26, 1948 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1949

A superhuman effort to supply Berlin

USAG Wiesbaden Public Affairs

American and British militaries sprang into action following the Soviet blockade of West Berlin by road, rail and barge in June 1948 to supply 2 million Berliners with essential supplies, such as food and coal.

The U.S. Army had concluded months earlier that supplying Berlin solely by air would be impossible, according to Herald Union archive reports. U.S. forces had been brought home and only about 100 Douglas C-47s remained in Europe. In the weeks leading up to the blockade, the U.S. military governor in Germany, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, reevaluated the situation and came to the same conclusion, according to the report. "We can maintain our own people indefinitely," he cabled Washington on June 13, "but not the German people if rail transport is severed."

The blockade began just two weeks later. Clay repeatedly requested permission to force the issue by sending an armed convoy across the hundred miles of Soviet-occupied Germany, the report said. But he was denied. British Commander Sir Brian Robertson proposed an alternative, according to reports; supply the city by air.

U.S. and British forces immediately moved more aircraft into Germany from overseas, including dozens of



Herald Union file

C-54 Skymasters, which could carry 10 tons each, by the summer and 300 by October. The effort was dubbed "Operation Vittles" by the U.S. military and "Operation Plainfare" by the British.

No one believed airplanes could sustain the city for more than a few weeks, the report said. Officials involved hoped that a diplomatic agreement would be reached quickly that would restore use of land routes. No one could have predicted the operation would go on through the winter and well into the following year.

The operation was compared in news reports to a conveyor belt, with constant movement going to and from Berlin through three air corridors, one of them connecting to Wiesbaden. Americans flew into Berlin via the southern corridor, while British and Americans flying coal from British air bases used the shorter northern corridor. Outbound flights used the central corridor. The coordination of routes was so important because planes were taking off every three minutes, 24 hours a day. The nonstop flying effort delivered thousands of tons of food,

medicine and coal every day. By the end, more than 2.3 million tons were airlifted by the allies, 326,137 of that from Wiesbaden.

One pilot, Ken Herman, who flew 190 missions, reported in a news report that if the weather was good, "you could see as many as six airplanes in front of you. Once you entered the corridor, there was no turning back. You went to Berlin." And if a pilot missed his approach in Berlin, he had to take his cargo back to where he came from.

Retired Air Force Col. Gail Halvorsen, who was stationed in Wiesbaden and came to be known as the Candy Bomber, credited Gen. William Tunner with saving lives by keeping the constant flow of aircraft spaced out enough to allow for ultimate efficiency and safety, given the sheer magnitude of the airlift.

The European Air Transport Service, based in Wiesbaden, served as a hub in support of the Berlin Airlift with round-the-clock flights to Tempelhof Airport in West Berlin. The streets on Clay Kaserne, formerly known as Wiesbaden Air Base, were later named after the 31 American aircrew members who gave their lives during the airlift. A memorial was erected in June of this year in honor of the 70th anniversary of their deaths. It stands at the roundabout at the edge of Newman Village.

This month 70 years ago

In September 1948:

Operation Little Vittles officially begins:

Air Force pilot Gail Halvorsen had been moved by children he'd shared a few sticks of gum with. He and his crew promised to come back and drop candy for the children from his plane.

They tied boxes of candy to handkerchiefs and began dropping them for the waiting children.

Airlift Commander Lt. Gen. William H. Tunner found out about the effort and made Operation Little Vittles official on Sept. 22.

People sent candy and handkerchiefs from all over the U.S. to contribute.

First dependents leave by air for the states:

Planes arriving from Westover Field, Mass., carried replacement airplane engines needed for "Operation Vittles" and began to carry dependents on return flights back to the U.S.

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U.S. Air Force Museum archive

Commissary aims to improve experience

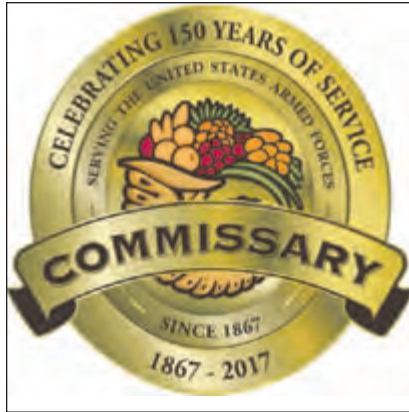
Store will close for 2.5 days to reorganize

Wiesbaden Commissary news release

The Wiesbaden Commissary will close at 4 p.m. Sept. 29 and will remain closed on Sept. 30 and Oct 1 while it undergoes a “reset” as part of the Defense Commissary Agency’s ongoing effort to enhance the shopping experience.

“We hate to inconvenience our customers with the closure, but this is something we’ll all appreciate when it’s done,” said Acting Store Director Melquiadeth A. Guillermo Supinger.

The reset is part of an agency-wide program that systematically changes how products are displayed on shelving throughout a commissary in order to better serve customer shopping patterns. The goal is to give commissaries world-wide a more customer-friendly product



flow and a layout that is as consistent as possible from location to location, according to Hector Granado, director of marketing.

“Although we have to take into consideration that no two commissaries are constructed exactly alike, a customer-friendly product flow means dog food will be next to pet supplies instead of the charcoal, peanut butter is best found next to the jam, and you shouldn’t have to cruise three different aisles to find all your cleaning products. It’s a simple matter of making the

commissary layout more sensible by ‘resetting’ the store,” he said.

One of the priorities is to help busy, active-duty shoppers make a quick run through their commissary and get home more quickly.

“The whole idea, in a nutshell, is to get convenience into the shopping experience,” Granado said. Consistency is also part of the reset equation. “Why shouldn’t you be able to go to different commissaries and find basically the same layout?”

“We try not to inconvenience the customers while resetting stores,” Granado said, “but we often have to close the store for a day, sometimes two, in order to tear down the shelving and move it and restock. Our customers usually like the new layout once they get used to it. Sales increases always follow a store reset and that’s an indication that the user-friendly product flow is a good change.”

For more information about the Commissary, go to www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/wiesbaden.

Resiliency Fest promotes prevention

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and ASAP will be organizing a Resiliency Fest as the main event. The fest will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 21 at the Wiesbaden Fitness Center. There will be activities for children and adults, including Jiu Jitsu and wall climbing, crafts, face painting, a dunk tank and more.

Soldiers will be able to take their quarterly Master Resiliency Training at the event and three of the MRT models will be offered.

Organizers stress the importance of building healthy connections with others in the community through healthy activities.

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Golf course gets hole in one



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Front and center

American country singer Danielle Bradbery performs a free concert Sept. 15 at the Wiesbaden Entertainment Center at U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden, courtesy of Armed Forces Entertainment.

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Halloween happenings

Trunk or Treat

The American Red Cross Wiesbaden will host a Trunk or Treat event from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 27 in the parking lot on lower Hainerberg by the old PX and the Taunus Theater. There will be a bounce house donated by Friends of the 66th, American Red Cross photo booth, free hot dogs, candy, popcorn and drinks courtesy of the USO, food for purchase on site courtesy of AAFES food trucks, AFN live show and eagle attendance, furry friends courtesy of the American Red Cross PaWs Program, costume contest winner announced at 5:30 p.m., best trunk contest winner announced at 6 p.m., and an allergy friendly trunk-or-treating area. The Taunus Theater will have movie showings and the Amelia Earhart Playhouse will have their haunted house in the old PX.

Those who would like to participate by decorating a trunk or setting up a game or activity, the invitation to participate will be open to the public as of October 1st and is currently open to units, clubs and organizations. Please email Wiesbaden@redcross.org to volunteer.

Trick or treating

Official trick or treating will be from 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 31 in all housing areas. Families are advised that trick or treating is limited to the exterior of buildings. Ghouls and goblins are prohibited from entering stairwells in multi-family units.

Haunted House

Celebrate Halloween by visiting the Amelia Earhart Playhouse's Haunted House. Visitors will be led by Hansel, Gretel and other Grimm's Fairy Tale characters through the Haunted Forest. Follow the trail if you dare. Hosted by the staff and volunteers of the Amelia Earhart Playhouse, the Haunted House will be held in the former shopping center in Lower Hainerberg from 6 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 25, 26, 27, 28 and 31. A Children's Hour will be featured from 6 to 7 p.m. (no children under age 3 are permitted). Call (0611) 143-548-9812 if interested in taking part.

Halloween Costume Party

The Wiesbaden Entertainment Center invites patrons to wear their favorite Halloween costume for an evening of bowling and a Halloween

Costume Party starting at 8 p.m. Oct. 27. Bowl in costume and get free shoe rental. Children in costumes get two free games of bowling. A best costume contest will be held at 11 p.m. Call (0611) 143-548-9404 for more information.

Zombie Run

Put on your spookiest costume and join the fun at the annual Zombie Run starting at 9 a.m. Oct. 27. The five-kilometer walk/run will start at the Wiesbaden Sports, Fitness and Outdoor Recreation Center. Call (0611) 143-548-9830 for more information.

WOD of the Living Dead

Dress up in your favorite Halloween garb for this Workout of the Day from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Fitness Center. This functional fitness event will include a Chipper Workout — four or more functional fitness movements lasting 40 minutes (to be revealed the evening of the event). The top three individuals will be awarded an MWR giveaway for the best costume. Cost is \$10 per individual or \$15 per couple. Call (0611) 143-548-9801 for details.

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New automated meal system to improve dining experience

Joe Lacdan

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army is phasing out its manual meal card system after decades of use, as the service fully transitions to its new automated meal entitlement code system in October.

Now, instead of presenting a meal card, Soldiers will simply swipe their common access card containing an authorization code for the dining facility. The new system, developed by the Army's Software Engineering Center, allows for the reading of a meal entitlement code that is installed on the CAC by a military personnel office.

Some installations have been testing the new system since January, but the deadline for all posts, including U.S. Army Garrison Wiesbaden, to transition to the new system is Oct. 1.

The automated system will make it easier for Soldiers to enter a DFAC, officials said.

"(The new system) will ultimately speed them through the

line at the dining facility," said Jack Skelly, chief of the Food and Field Services Branch, Army G-4, at the Pentagon.

The Army actually began its pilot program in the fall of 2017 at three locations, including Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia; Fort Gordon, Georgia; and Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In January 2018, the Army began implementing the program at other installations as well.

The new automated meal entitlement management system will not just impact Soldiers living in the barracks and eating at the dining facility. Soldiers receiving basic allowance for subsistence who are on temporary duty, special missions, institutional training or deployments will have a code for meals placed on their CAC.

"It will impact every Soldier," said Larry Lock, chief of Military Compensation and Entitlements. "What we're trying to do ... is give commanders an efficient, effective system to account for a member's meal entitlements."

The old system often caused delays in DFAC lines and presented an obstacle for Soldiers participating in large training exercises. Soldiers would have to manually sign into a written log after entering a DFAC or get checked into a log upon leaving.

"That's a very antiquated and labor-intensive program," Skelly said.

A smoother dining experience will help Soldiers focus on missions and training, he said, adding it falls in line with guidance set by Secretary of the Army Mark Esper.

The automated meal system is part of a larger push to remove manual mandatory tasks to headquarters and below elements of the Army, so units can focus on readiness and training, Skelly added.

When National Guard and Army Reserve units are mobilized, Soldiers from those units will benefit from the convenience as well, Lock said. Commanders will also be able to track whether Soldiers are receiving their due entitlements.

Bundeswehr MPs visit USAREUR HQ



Susanne Goebel/U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs

Members of the German Army's 6th company Military Police Regiment traveled to U.S. Army Europe Headquarters to join up with their U.S. Military Police counterparts, the 529th Military Police Company, for a familiarization with some of the tools the U.S. MPs use in Germany, Aug. 28.

TAKE 3 ACTIONS TO FIGHT THE FLU

FIGHT FLU

INFLUENZA

Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease that can be serious. Every year, millions of people get sick, hundreds of thousands are hospitalized, and thousands to tens of thousands of people die from flu. CDC urges you to take the following actions to protect yourself and others from flu.

GET YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY VACCINATED!

A yearly flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get an annual flu vaccine by the end of October, if possible, or as soon as possible after October.

Flu vaccines are offered in many locations, including doctors' offices, clinics, health departments, pharmacies and other health centers, as well as by many employers, and even in some schools.

Protect yourself. Protect your family. Get Vaccinated against flu.

Learn more: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/seasonal/vaccinations.htm>

TAKE EVERYDAY PREVENTIVE ACTIONS TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF FLU VIRUSES!

Avoid close contact with sick people, avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, cover your coughs and sneezes, wash your hands often (with soap and water), and clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with flu viruses.

If you become sick, limit contact with others as much as possible. Remember to cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and throw tissues in the trash after you use them. Stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone except to get medical care or for other necessities. (Your fever should be gone for 24 hours without the use of a fever-reducing medicine before resuming normal activities.)

Learn more: <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/seasonal/prevention.htm>

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CDC recommends that antiviral drugs be used early to treat people who are very sick with the flu (for example, people who are in the hospital) and people who are sick with the flu and are at high risk of serious flu complications, either because of their age or because they have a high risk medical condition.

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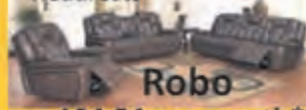
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Winter is coming; equip your vehicle now

Erinn Burgess
IMCOM

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany — Shorter days and cooler temperatures indicate the inevitable end of summer is just over the horizon. U.S. Army Garrison Rheinland-Pfalz encourages community members to start getting ready for winter weather now by acquiring the proper tires for their vehicles.

What kind of tires are needed?

German law mandates the use of either snow tires or all-terrain mud and snow tires when conditions are icy. A new requirement as of January 2018 states all snow or M+S tires be marked with the "Alpine symbol," a three-peak mountain with a snowflake inside of it. Tires purchased prior to January 2018 without the Alpine symbol may continue to be used until 2024.

According to the USAG RP Safety Office, tires must have at least 1.6 millimeters of tread depth, but for maximum safety tires with less than four millimeters should be replaced. A one euro coin can be used for a quick tread check — when placed in the tire's tread, you should not be able to see the golden edge of the coin. If you can, the tires need to be replaced. Tires with spikes and studs are not allowed in Germany.



Herald Union file

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When are winter tires needed?

There are no specific dates for the use of winter tires, but Germans often adhere to the saying, "von O bis O," meaning October to Ostern (Easter). However, it is important to keep in mind that you can be cited for driving in winter conditions without appropriate tires even outside of these months. Any time snow conditions are present, the requirement for snow tires is federal law.

Can tire chains be used in Germany?

In some areas snow chains may be required, but only as directed by road

signs or police. The maximum speed while driving a vehicle with chains is 50 kilometers per hour.

What are the penalties for driving without winter tires?

Fines of 40 euros and higher will be enforced for drivers without correct tires on their vehicles. The USAG RP Safety Office advised that police can assign blame to a motorist involved in a winter accident whose car does not have snow tires installed, regardless of who caused the accident.

What about rental cars?

It is the driver's responsibility to ensure that the rental vehicle is in road-



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worthy condition, which includes the proper tires. USAG RP Safety Office recommended drivers request winter tires when reserving a car and verify the tires are installed before accepting the car.

Drivers shopping for winter tires locally may find that certain vehicles' tires need to be ordered online. Make sure online orders are placed with regards to shipping times so that your car is equipped before the winter weather hits and, wherever you choose to buy tires, double check that the tires have the required Alpine symbol.

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Ambulance or Fire – 112

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Teach children antiterrorism awareness

Army Criminal Investigative Command

Terrorist threats against “soft targets,” or those without military defenses, are an enduring security challenge. Some extremists who seek to terrorize civilians may target Families and even children.

Children are a part of the Army community, and threats against them must be recognized and mitigated through awareness and protective measures. The Army Criminal Investigation Command offers tips to help keep children safe from both criminal and terrorist threats:

- * Never leave young children alone or unattended. Be certain children are in

the care of a trustworthy person.

- * If it is necessary to leave appropriately aged children at home (consistent with local laws and command guidance), keep the house well lighted and notify a trusted neighbor.

- * Instruct children to keep doors and windows locked and to not allow strangers inside.

- * Teach children how to contact the police or a neighbor in an emergency.

- * Ensure children know where and how to contact parents at all times.

- * Maintain recent photographs of children. The photographs should have a clear view of the child's face.

- * If you have children entering the

home alone, teach them not to enter the home if the door is ajar, if a strange car is in the driveway or if something else does not seem right. Tell them where they need to go if this situation occurs.

Remind and encourage children to:

- * Never leave home without telling someone where they will be and who will accompany them.

- * Travel in pairs or small groups.

- * Avoid isolated areas.

- * Use approved play areas where recreational activities are supervised by responsible adults and police protection is readily available.

- * Refuse automobile rides from strangers or to accompany strangers

anywhere on foot, even if the strangers say a parent sent them or approved it. Children should similarly be wary of strangers offering gifts or food or using small animals to get them into a vehicle.

- * Report anyone who attempts to talk to or touch them in any way that makes them feel uncomfortable or scared to the nearest person of authority (parent, teacher or police) as soon as possible.

- * Never give information about Family members over the phone, such as parents' occupations or names or Family plans and dates.

- * Screen phone calls through voice mail or answering machines to avoid answering calls from strangers.

Taunus Theater movie listings

THURSDAY, SEPT. 20

The Predator (R) 7 p.m.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 21

The House with a Clock in Its Walls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

SATURDAY SEPT. 22

The House with a Clock in Its Walls (PG-13) 2:30 p.m.

A-X-L (PG) 4:45 p.m.

Life Itself (R) 7 p.m.

SUNDAY SEPT. 23

The House with a Clock in Its Walls (PG-13) 3 p.m.

Life Itself (R) 6 p.m.

MONDAY SEPT. 24

No showing

TUESDAY SEPT. 25

No showing

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 26

The House with a Clock in Its Walls (PG-13) 7 p.m.

THURSDAY SEPT. 27

Life Itself (R) 7 p.m.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 28

Night School (PG-13) 7 p.m.

SATURDAY SEPT. 29

Small Foot (PG) 2 p.m.

The Old Man & the Gun (PG-13) 4 p.m.

Night School (PG-13) 6 p.m.

SUNDAY SEPT. 30

Small Foot (PG) 3 p.m.

Night School (PG-13) 5 p.m.

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