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Tail number 8601, the first of 14 C-130J Super Hercules aircraft bound for Ramstein over the next 12 months, is marshaled to the runway Monday to depart from Lockheed Martin Aeronautical Plant in Marietta, Ga. The brand-new J-model is scheduled to land on-station at Ramstein during an arrival ceremony beginning at 3 p.m. Tuesday on Ramp 1. For more information on the ceremony, see Page 7.

J-model en route to Ramstein

by Capt. John Ross
Ramstein Public Affairs

Tail number 8601, the first J-model C-130 aircraft built for the 86th Airlift Wing, departed Marietta, Ga., Monday to begin a four-leg flight overseas to Ramstein.

Gen. Roger Brady, U.S. Air Forces in Europe commander, was on hand at the Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Plant to officially accept ownership of the new Super Hercules on behalf of the 86th AW.

"There are several thousand people at the 86th Airlift Wing this morning who are looking forward to this airplane arriving in a couple of days," he said to an all-hands meeting of Lockheed employees. "We've looked forward to it for a long time."

General Brady, with the support of aircrew members and a maintenance team from the 86th, later took the controls of the aircraft and departed the facility to Andrews Air Force Base, Md. The new aircraft is also scheduled to stop at St. Johns International Airport in Newfoundland, Canada, Scotland's Glasgow Prestwick Airport and Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, before arriving at Ramstein.

On Tuesday, the Super Hercules is scheduled to land on-station at Ramstein for the first time during a ceremony held not only to honor the arrival of the new aircraft, but also the new era in operations for the 86th AW. The J-model provides approximately 20 percent improvement over previous C-130 models in speed, fuel efficiency, cargo capacity and altitude capabilities.

Thirteen additional J-model aircraft are scheduled to make the same journey from Marietta over the next 12 months, rounding out a completely new fleet operated by the 37th Airlift Squadron.

230th MPs recognized for heroism, sacrifice

Story and photo by Spc. Adrienne Killingsworth
18th Military Police Brigade Public Affairs Office

The Soldiers of the 230th Military Police Company, 95th Military Police Battalion, 18th Military Police Brigade, returned home March 22 to a cheering gymnasium of friends, family and fellow Soldiers. The Soldiers returned to the Kleber Gym on Kleber Kaserne after a 15-month tour in Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The excitement as the Soldiers marched into the room, seeing their friends and families for the first time in months, was palpable. Flags were waved, and cheers echoed through the gymnasium the moment the first Soldier walked through the door.

"I would like to thank each of you for your service to our country, to our Army and to each other," said Lt. Col. Duane Miller, 95th MP Bn. commander, welcoming home the returning Soldiers.

The 230th MP Co. deployed to Iraq to work with the Iraqi police, helping them take the lead in securing their country and providing them with the knowledge and tools to lead future generations of Iraqi police.

The work they did in Iraq supports the larger mission of the 18th Military Police Brigade and its battalions to assist with Iraqi police expansion, development and legitimacy.

In addition to recognizing the great work the Soldiers did during deployment, one of the highlights of the return came when Lieutenant Colonel Miller recognized four Soldiers from the battalion who, against great odds, were able to return to Germany and welcome home their comrades.

Sgt. James T. Hackemer, Spc. David A. Knapp, Pfc. David L. Mayer and Spc. Austin J. Bewley were all injured March 14, 2008, when the Armored Security Vehicle they were riding in on the way to Baghdad was hit by multiple explosively formed projectiles.

Three of the Soldiers – Sergeant Hackemer, Specialist Knapp and Private First Class Mayer – lost both legs during the attack.

Their presence at the homecoming was a symbol of the sacrifice – external and internal, physical and emotional – all of the Soldiers made for their fellow Soldiers, their families, their unit, the Army and their country during deployment.

It was also an opportunity for Capt. Shaun C. Hall, 230th

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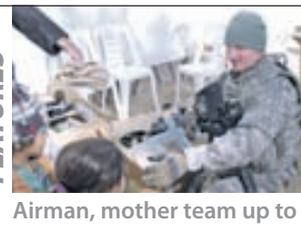
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Commentary

DUIs can happen to anyone; make the right choices

Have you ever had one of those days that felt like the world came to a screeching halt? For me, that day was Jan. 24.

I was apprehended for driving under the influence of alcohol. Before this, I was considered one of the top performers in my squadron, but getting a DUI has made all of my accomplishments null-and-void. The official punishment for a DUI can be swift, but the indirect punishment is prolonged because of the stigma attached.

DUIs can happen to anyone consuming alcohol at any given time, even if it is their first time getting behind the wheel. You can be the very best performer in your squadron and still lose all your credibility after one night of poor decisions. They are not limited to substandard individuals, people with alcohol problems or people under 26.

I have numerous awards and decorations including three achievement medals, Airman Leadership School distinguished graduate, Senior Airman below-the-zone and Airman of the Quarter; now, it all means nothing.

> "Everyone is able to prevent this by watching out for their friends, making legitimate plans and setting limits when they're drinking. Don't ... let alcohol make decisions for you.

I urge everyone reading this to make the right choice; have a plan, and stick to it.

Your commander has a variety of options when it comes to punishment.

First, he or she must decide whether to court-martial or use non-judicial punishment. A court-martial can lead to more severe actions. I was punished under Article 15. I was reduced from E-5 to E-4, my wages were garnished by $1,063 a month for two months, I received 14 days of extra duty, a UIF and I was reprimanded. Outside of the Article 15, I also lost a great assignment, lost my driving privileges for one year, got a referral EPR rating and a blemish to my military service record. It could take me a year or longer to recover from everything, but the stigma could last my whole career.

Everyone has been briefed on DUIs before. We all say that it won't happen to us, but it still happens. Everyone is able to prevent this by watching out for their friends, making legitimate plans and setting limits when they're drinking. Don't get overconfident and let alcohol make decisions for you. Take a step back, asses your situation and make the right choice.

Editor's note: The author of this commentary asked to remain anonymous. In addition to the author's punishment, another Air Force NCO was convicted of DUI and reckless driving this week. He was sentenced to reduction to E-4, 50 days confinement, 30 days hard labor and 2/3 forfeiture of pay for two months.

Commander's Action Line

Col. Don "Bits" Bacon, 435th Air Base Wing commander

Q Is it possible to offer an after-hour care center for the KMC? I am aware of the self-help book and the nurse care-line, but both often suggest seeing a medical facility within 24 hours, which isn't always possible on the weekends and holidays. The emergency room should stay an emergency room, so it seems that there should be other options for those people who need care after hours or on weekends.

A Thank you for your suggestion concerning an after-hours urgent medical care center in the KMC.

You are correct that, on occasion, our beneficiaries need to be seen by a medical provider after the clinic's normal duty hours. Please be assured that in these situations, using the emergency room is acceptable. The 435th MDG does recommend patients use the resources you mentioned, which include the "Taking Care of Yourself and Your Child" books and the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line. These are excellent resources to help patients determine the urgency of their problem and whether it warrants a visit with a provider or home care.

We want you to have confidence though that if you have a medical condition that warrants urgent or emergency care when the 435th MDG is not open, the emergency department at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center is the correct location to obtain that care. The emergency department will examine your condition and determine a priority based on the urgency of your condition.

There are several factors involved in providing after-hours care. The 435th MDG Clinic hours are scheduled to provide the maximum number of appointments for the greatest number of beneficiaries, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Occasionally, our patients do need to be seen on an urgent basis when the clinic is closed. Based on data from the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line and emergency room visits, the 435th MDG has three to eight patients needing urgent care throughout the day. Only a fraction of these would benefit from an after-hours appointment.

The current process ensures we are using our resources wisely. It costs upward of $400 per hour for a single provider to see patients in our facility, and it would take 10 to 12 staff members to run an after-hours clinic with support services.

Furthermore, some specialty areas aren't staffed adequately to cover a day and evening shift. On top of that, the time a provider is available to see patients after hours would impact our regular clinic access when we offer up to 24 appointments per day per provider.

We appreciate your input as our medical resources in the KMC are a great benefit to our servicemembers and their families.

The Commander's Action Line gives KMC members a direct link to wing leadership and is a way for KMC members to ask a question or express a concern on the policies and procedures of the base, as well as discuss safety and security issues. To submit an action line, e-mail editor@kaiserslauternamerican.com with "Action Line" as the subject.

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Contractors complete finishing touches on KMCC

by Darlene Y. Cowsert
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There's a lot more than construction going on at the Kaiserslautern Military Community Center and it all leads to fast-approaching opening dates. As contractors complete finishing touches on walls, floors and lights, movers are delivering furnishings for the 350-room Visiting Quarters and scheduling moves for Outdoor Recreation, both planned to open this spring along with the Sports lounge, German bakery and Ramstein Tickets and Tours.

Remaining venues to open in phases throughout the summer are the largest AAFES main store worldwide, 51 vendor shops, Macaroni Grill, a nine-counter food court, shoppette, Community Bank and Service Credit Union.

Courtesy photo

Senior Airman Christopher Gonzalez and Airman 1st Class Cory Prochaska, both from the 435th Services Squadron, deliver furniture to the new Visitor Quarters at the Kaiserslautern Military Community Center on Ramstein. The eight-story, 350-room Visiting Quarters will be one of the first areas to open as part of a $170 million project.

At 844,000 square feet – 15 times the size of the White House – the complex consolidates services, retail and lodging facilities to serve 45,000 U.S. military members, civilians and families working and living in Kaiserslautern, as well as thousands of travelers transiting the European theater. Conveniently located across from the Air Mobility Command Passenger Terminal, it will offer local and American-style cuisine and a variety of services and products for the entire KMC, outlying military communities and transient guests.

"This is a very significant quality of life improvement for everyone in the KMC as well as those traveling throughout Europe," said Maj. Gen. Marc Rogers, U.S. Air Forces in Europe vice commander. "Providing one-stop shopping under one roof isn't just convenient, it also makes sense in terms of maintenance and management of consolidated facilities and space utilization, it decreases traffic on local roads and reduces time currently needed to drive to multiple facilities scattered across two installations."

AAFES and Air Force Services have co-located major operations for the first time, and both will offer some firsts for people seeking goods, services and entertainment at overseas military facilities.

"The number of European-owned concessions will expand from a total of 14 at Ramstein and Vogelweh to 51, and new additions to the food court that will seat 1,000 include the first Johnny Rockets for AAFES worldwide and a Manchu Wok and Captain D's – both a first in AAFES Europe," said Tom Gross, AAFES general manager. "The four-plex movie theater with 500 stadium seats is another first in AAFES Europe."

The AAFES main store will consist of 165,000 square feet of retail space, and include more than a dozen concept shops such as Victoria's Secret, Nautica, Martha Stewart, Bose and Nintendo.

Additional features of Services include Romano's Macaroni Grill that will seat 285 inside and 52 on a patio. Outdoor Recreation will provide expanded equipment rental, adventure getaway plans and a state-of-the-art climbing complex. The sports lounge will feature bar service, multiple televisions for viewing sports events and a gaming room. RTT will provide information and arrangements for air and train travel, auto rentals, cruise and vacation packages, as well as bus tours reaching destinations throughout Germany and Europe.

"The KMCC will truly be a one-of-a-kind customer service facility with great amenities for the military and civilian employees and family members," said Lt. Col. Dawn Lancaster, 435th Services Squadron commander. "There is nothing else like it in our military communities and we look forward to being able to provide more services for all our customers in one great location."

While the KMCC will provide a taste of home, it isn't likely to dampen American curiosity and sense of adventure. Those anxious to enjoy the cultural, educational and entertainment offerings of the local and surrounding communities will find abundant information available at the "Window to Rheinland-Pfalz," prominently located outside the Visiting Quarters lobby.

The information center will be operated by a State/Municipal Cooperation consisting of the City and County of Kaiserslautern and City of Ramstein-Miesenbach with support of the state government to inform and direct visitors to historic, cultural and recreational attractions throughout the area.

Concurrent with openings at the KMCC, the base exchange and all related facilities at Vogelweh will close. AAFES plans to convert the current Pulaski Shoppette/Gas Station into a small module base exchange with the current stock.

Current plans for the transition of closings at one venue and openings at the new location are aimed at providing services with minimal interruption for KMC residents.

Photo by Master Sgt. Dave McClelland

Change of command

Maj. Gen. Ron Ladnier (left), 17th Air Force (Air Forces Africa) commander, passes the 404th Air Expeditionary Group flag to new Commander Col. Mark D. Vijums during a change of command ceremony March 24. Colonel Vijums comes to the 404th as an Air Force Reservist who also serves as the vice commander, 934th Airlift Wing at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport under Air Reserve Command. He replaces outgoing 404th Commander Col. Lida Dahnke, who commanded the unit since its October 2008 stand-up. Assisting in the transfer of command is 17th AF Command Chief Chief Master Sgt. Timothy Steffen (behind flag).

KMC BLOTTER

Compiled by the 569th USFPS

March 24

5:58 a.m.: A Soldier reported an unknown person entered his residence and stole numerous electronic devices and various amounts of currency.

9:37 a.m.: An Army officer reported someone had stolen his navigation system and iPod from his vehicle on Rhine Ordnance Barracks.

8:14 p.m.: An Army spouse reported her vehicle had been damaged while parked on Vogelweh Family Housing.

March 25

3:30 p.m.: An Air Force NCO reported his vehicle had been damaged while parked in Landstuhl.

8 p.m.: A Soldier reported his laptop, camera and iPod had been stolen from his barracks room on Rhine Ordnance Barracks.

March 26

1:17 p.m.: Polizei reported an injury collision on A6. A local national lost control of her vehicle and struck another local national's vehicle, which struck an Air Force officer's vehicle.

9:40 p.m.: An Air Force NCO reported someone vandalized a building in Vogelweh Family Housing.

March 27

7:59 a.m.: An Army NCO reported his navigation system and iPod had been stolen from his vehicle in Kaiserslautern.

10:45 a.m.: An Army spouse reported her cell phone had been stolen on Vogelweh.

7:01 p.m.: An Air Force NCO reported someone shattered the glass to a door on his residence in Jettenbach and then fled.

March 28

1:16 a.m.: Two Soldiers were assaulted by a local national in Kaiserslautern.

2:31 a.m.: A Soldier was apprehended for failure to pay cab fare and provoking speeches and gestures in Kaiserslautern.

10:35 a.m.: An Air Force NCO reported her vehicle had been damaged while parked at her residence in Stauchweisen.

11:16 a.m.: An Army civilian reported his residence in Melkerei had been broken into and his laptop, laptop case and cell phone had been stolen.

2:43 p.m.: An Air Force NCO reported an external hard drive and clothing had been stolen from Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.

March 29

5:56 a.m.: An Air Force NCO was apprehended after becoming verbally abusive to Polizei and U.S. Forces Police regarding a cab fare she owed in Einsiedlerhof.

3:10 p.m.: An Air Force civilian reported someone had damaged his private aircraft in Kaiserslautern.

March 30

7:14 a.m.: An Air Force spouse reported someone had smashed the window to her vehicle in Einsiedlerhof and her navigation system had been stolen.

6:05 p.m.: An Air Force spouse reported her iPod and FM/AM transmitter had been stolen from her vehicle in Einsiedlerhof.

6:39 p.m.: An Airman reported his navigation system and iPod FM/AM transmitter had been stolen in Kindsbach.

Conviction Information:

A juvenile is barred from all installations in Europe, including Department of Defense Dependents Schools facilities for two years for use of a controlled substance and damaging private property.

AADD weekend statistics

March 27 – *20 volunteers, 11 lives saved*

March 28 – *2 volunteers, 2 lives saved*

Take Note

Closures

• The KMC Housing Office will be closed April 10 and 13 for German legal holidays. Normal hours will resume at 7:30 a.m. April 14.

• The German-American Community Office in Kaiserslautern is closed April 10 and 13 for the Good Friday and Easter Monday holidays. For details, call GACO at 0631-363-3010, e-mail info@gaco-kl.de or visit www.gaco-kl.de.

DeCa accepting commissary CertifiChecks

The Defense Commissary Agency is accepting outstanding CetifiCheck gift certificates from authorized customers until July 31. CertifiChecks Inc., the company that has issued the commissary gift checks since 2002, announced Feb. 26 it has ceased operations and is filing Chapter 7 bankruptcy. Since then, DeCa has been working with the Department of Defense to settle the problem with unredeemed CertifiChecks.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Join the U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern Family Advocacy Program in April to promote awareness and prevention of child abuse and neglect. Details can be found at www.mwrgermany.com/kl/acs. For information about special family events and educational activities, call Lisa Velez at 493-4617 or 0631-3406-4617.

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Join U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern this month in promoting awareness and prevention of sexual assault. Details can be found at www.mwrgermany.com/kl/acs. For information about upcoming events or prevention activities, call Lisa Velez at 493-4617 or 0631-3406-4617.

Federal civil service jobs on Ramstein

Looking for an exciting job with one of the nation's largest employers? Job opportunities are listed on www.usajobs.gov. They offer great benefits, job security, a great retirement plan, sick leave, annual leave and 10 federal holidays. Check out http://opm.gov/video_library/Recruitment/index.asp for more information.

VISE services

U.S. Army Europe's Visual Information Service Europe offers self-help graphics services from 8 a.m. to noon Monday to Friday at its facility in Bldg. 3266 on Kleber Kaserne. Services available include prints, posters, stencils and graphics. Printed posters are limited to four copies no larger than 24 x 36 inches. More complex work orders must be submitted on Department of the Army Form 3903 by senior leadership – sergeants major and above. For these work orders, the baseline service standard includes six working days for graphics work orders and 10 working days for complex orders. Above-baseline services, such as exhibits, large graphics, mounted graphics and lamination, are available on a cost basis. Prints are limited to four copies no larger than 24 x 36 inches. For details, call 483-8696.

Indoor Flea Market

U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's Indoor Flea Market will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 18 at the Special Events Center, Bldg. 237 on Rhine Ordnance Barracks. For reservations and information, call Kaiserslautern Outdoor Recreation at 493-4117 or 0631-3406-4117.

Basic Skills Pilot Program

U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern's education center on Rhine Ordnance Barracks is the site for the Army's On-Line Basic Skills Pilot Program for General Technical score improvement. This pilot program is for basic skills in reading and math and ends Aug. 31. This is a self-study program that can be used on- or off-duty. A CAC-access computer is required to participate. For more information, call the ROB education center at 493-2590 or 0631-3406-2590.

21st TSC's Web site named third best in Army

by Sgt. Maj. Cameron Porter
21st TSC Public Affairs

The 21st Theater Sustainment Command's Web site won a Department of the Army-level journalism competition award March 20.

The Web site, www.21tsc.army.mil, was selected as the third best Web-based publication in the Army by a panel of experienced military and civilian print and broadcast journalists during the 2008 Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware Journalism Awards Competition.

Mike Bowers, the webmaster for the 21st TSC Public Affairs Office, did a complete redesign of the site in July soon after being assigned to the command.

Mr. Bowers served for 20 years in the Air Force as a public affairs specialist and culminated his active-duty service as an instructor at the Defense Information School. He also served as a sports reporter for the European edition of Stars and Stripes and has been an Army civilian public affairs specialist since 1994.

Sgt. Jonathan Pruett, a broadcast journalist with the 21st TSC PAO, received two U.S. Army Europe first place awards and one honorable mention in the radio and television spot production categories.

Courtesy photo

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Sergeant Pruett has served in the 21st TSC for more than three years – his whole career. He is also an accomplished musician, singer and songwriter. He is currently taking classes with American Intercontinental University online in pursuit of a bachelor's degree in visual communications and digital design.

Staff Sgt. Tyrone Basnight, a member of the KMC's Warrior Transition Unit and a volunteer at the 21st TSC PAO, received a first place USAREUR award for single or stand alone photo provided to a publication by a stringer.

Staff Sergeant Basnight has more than 20 years of active Army service and volunteers during his off time with the KMC youth sports programs along with his wife, Master Sgt. Althea Basnight, who works in the 21st TSC's logistics division.

Angelika Lantz also received a first place USAREUR award in the print news category of the competition.

Ms. Lantz is a local national employee at the 21st TSC PAO, an accomplished Army journalist and public affairs specialist, and a life-long native of the Kaiserslautern area. She is married to retired Lt. Col. John Lantz, who serves in the 21st TSC's support operations division.

Sgt. Fay Conroy, a 21st TSC PAO print journalist, received two USAREUR honorable mention awards in the categories of single or stand alone photo and print news.

Sergeant Conroy served in the 8th Army PAO in Korea before being assigned to the 21st TSC in September.

Sergeant Conroy is working on her bachelor's degree in history with the University of Maryland University College. She is married to Spc. Bill Conroy, a combat medic with the 212th Combat Support Hospital in Miesau.

Maj. Gen. Yves J. Fontaine, 21st TSC commanding general, recognized Mr. Bowers, Sergeant Pruett, Staff Sergeant Basnight, Ms. Lantz and Sergeant Conroy in a short awards ceremony March 24 on Panzer Kaserne.

Major General Fontaine presented the awardees with plaques from the competition along with commanders' coins, praising the 21st TSC PAO for its hard work.

He said the individuals receiving the awards are "what great strategic communications is all about."

The Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware Journalism Awards Competition recognizes military and civilian-employee print and broadcast practitioners and products for journalistic excellence.

The contest is named for a World War II Medal of Honor recipient and former Army chief of information who was killed in action in Vietnam while serving as the 1st Infantry Division commander.

Commander calls for larger NATO footprint in Afghanistan

by Army Staff Sgt. Michael J. Carden
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — NATO's top commander today called for NATO nations to beef up their efforts in Afghanistan to support security and rebuilding efforts there.

Referring to a "shortfall" of NATO-embedded training teams, U.S. Army Gen. Bantz J. Craddock, commander of U.S. European Command and NATO's supreme allied commander for Europe, told members of the Senate Armed Services Committee that "NATO needs to step up, fill their responsibility."

NATO countries have contributed 13 training teams to keep up with the accelerated growth of Afghan security forces, General Craddock said.

NATO's efforts are expected to grow to 29 teams by December 2010, he said. That number is based on the target goal set by the Afghan defense minister to grow the Afghan army from 82,000 to 134,000 by 2011.

Meanwhile, the 17,000 U.S. Soldiers and Marines scheduled to bulk up force presence in southern Afghanistan this spring and summer will more than likely cover a dual mission to make up for the NATO shortfall, the general said.

Many of the additional U.S. forces will be combat forces but also trainers and mentors for their Afghan counterparts.

"The U.S. provides teams when NATO doesn't," he said.

U.S. forces also would like to see more NATO combat forces in Afghanistan, he said.

Requests for more NATO troops are expected to be filled in Afghanistan's northern and western regions, but in the volatile southern part of the country, General Craddock said he is less optimistic.

He's been working with the United Kingdom and remains hopeful for their assistance, but still called the situation "problematic."

"I'm hopeful for contributions by the United Kingdom, but that's problematic right now," he said. "We're still working on that. We are short two battalions in the south that we need to generate between now and August."

EUCOM's efforts to improve partnerships among European nations are increasingly important, because "in today's world, nations are repeatedly called on to do more," General Craddock said.

"The multinational operations of today and tomorrow succeed only if allies can work together effectively," General Craddock said. "Their interoperability and increased partner capacity are essential, and (EUCOM's) presence is indispensable."

European nations make up most of the 42 countries operating under the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan, and slightly more than half of the 61,000 coalition troops there.

U.S. forces provide the majority of combat forces and Afghan military trainers with about 30,000 troops in addition to the 17,000 to deploy there in the coming months.

Beautiful, but late ...

Photo courtesy of the U.S. Air Force

The G8N1 Renzan is brought to the United States for post-war testing in U.S. insignia but still painted in the Japanese's "burnt orange" color scheme.

by Dr. Marshall Michel
86th Airlift Wing historian

It might come as a surprise to many that when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, Japan not only had an outstanding carrier air force but also probably the most effective long range, land-based bomber force in the world at that time.

These twin engine, long range bombers ranged across the Pacific wreaking havoc on Allied installations and warships through much of 1942, but by the end of that year they began to rapidly lose their effectiveness.

The reason the Japanese bomber force lost out was because its virtues – long range and good bomb load – were achieved by eliminating self sealing fuel tanks and most defensive armament. Once Allied fighters appeared in force, they began to decimate these bombers, which quickly became named "Type 1 Lighters."

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The Japanese leadership watched the heavy losses in their lightly armored bomber force with dismay and, at the same time, saw the four engine American B-17 Flying Fortresses operating over Japanese territory with close to impunity. The message was clear – what Japan needed to continue its land-based bomber operations was a new, tough four engine bomber similar to the B-17.

Several Japanese aircraft companies began to develop such an aircraft, but the most promising was the Nakajima design, which the company began to work on in February 1943. The bomber, the G8N1 Renzan (Mountain Range), was powered by four 2,000 horsepower Nakajima Homare 24 radials with turbo superchargers, which were expected to give it a top speed of more than 300 knots and a cruising speed of more than 200 knots. With a ton of bombs it would have a range of more than 4,000 miles and a service ceiling of about 30,000 feet.

While this performance was impressive, the most important part of the G8N1 was its defenses – a full suite of armor for the crew, self sealing fuel tanks and very heavy defensive armament. This consisted of three power-operated turrets in the dorsal, ventral and tail positions, each with two Type 99 20 millimeter cannons providing almost twice the punch of the standard American bomber turret with twin .50 machine guns. The Renzan also carried two Type 2 .50 machine guns in a power-operated nose turret, and single Type 2 .50 machine guns in the left and right waist positions.

The completed Renzan was a beautiful aircraft – a mid wing monoplane with a single rudder, tricycle landing gear and a laminar flow wing. When its flight tests began in October 1944, it showed good performance, except for minor problems with the turbo superchargers, but by then its time had long passed as Japan was now on the defensive. Additionally, the whole program was severely hampered by a shortage of materials, in particular aluminum, brought about by the U.S. Navy submarine blockade. The program was also severely stressed when U.S. Navy carriers began to attack airfields on the Japanese home islands.

The Navy crews' reports of a new four engine bomber to U.S. intelligence resulted in the G8N1 being given the Allied code name "Rita," and at least one of the prototypes was shot down by marauding Navy Hellcats. In the end, the total production of the G8N1 – including prototypes – amounted to just seven aircraft, of which only four were flown. One was converted to a missile carrier for the Okha ("Cherry Blossom") rocket powered kamikaze, but no test flights were made.

After the war, the fourth prototype was shipped to the United States for a brief evaluation, still in the "burnt orange" color scheme the Japanese used on experimental aircraft.

When compared to the American B-17G, the Rita was about the same size but much heavier and with much more power – 8,000 horsepower to the B-17's approximately 4,000 horsepower. This extra power gave the Japanese aircraft roughly the same performance, though the B-17G had a heavier bomb load.

Also, by the time the first G8N1 was flown, the B-17 was old technology, replaced by the much more advanced B-29, which began combat operations over Japan while the first prototypes of the Renzan were being tested.

For questions or comments, contact Dr. Michel at marshall.michel@ramstein.af.mil.

MILITARY Matters

Civil Engineers' Corner

Road closure:

There is a road closure on Maxwell Avenue in front of the Child Development Center (Bldg. 800) due to a new water line installation. The closure will last until March 31. Traffic will be routed through Virginia Boulevard and Oregon Street.

Work is being accomplished by the 435th CES Programs Flight. For more information, call 480-2193.

First Sergeants' Corner

The current Air Force fitness program has been in effect for five years; however, there are still a lot of AF members who struggle from year-to-year just to meet AF fitness standards. Why is that? We are directed to maintain a healthy lifestyle in order to meet AF fitness minimum standards of 75. But more importantly, we must be physically ready to accomplish the mission. So the responsibility is on each AF member to attain and maintain excellent physical conditioning and to always meet AF fitness standards. But why stop at minimum standards? Since when have we, or should we, accept just the minimum? We should always strive to do our best. After all, one of our Core Values is "excellence in all we do."

Correction:

In the March 27 edition of the KA in a story on Page 10 titled "Month highlights women in the Air Force," a photo appeared with the wrong caption.

The correct caption for the photo should have read: "Master Sgt. Hollie Heath (right), 721st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron production superintendent, discuses Women's History Month with Senior Airman Lissa Nelson and Senior Airman Charlene Harding March 5 at the end of a night mission aboard a U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III. Women's History Month was made official in 2000 when President Bill Clinton signed a proclamation designating the month as a time to reflect upon the great strides women have made over time."

The photo was taken by Airman 1st Class Kenny Holston.

21st TSC Soldiers taught life saving skills

Story and photos by
Angelika Lantz
21st TSC Public Affairs

It might be the difference between life and death.

More than 400 Soldiers from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command are scheduled to be certified or re-certified Combat Life Savers between March 16 and June 5.

The program is being taught by a mobile training team from the Pennsylvania Army National Guard's Medical Battalion Training Site.

It's not common to have Guard Soldiers teach active-duty Soldiers overseas, especially something as critical as CLS skills.

But, Maj. Gen. Yves Fontaine, 21st TSC commanding general, wanted to ensure all Soldiers are CLS certified, said Lt. Col. Martin Davis, assistant chief of staff for National Guard and Reserve Affairs at the 21st TSC.

Lieutenant Colonel Davis contacted the Office of the Surgeon of the National Guard Bureau to request assistance. Four teams of three medical instructors will each teach three courses in Kaiserslautern, Bamberg, Stuttgart, Baumholder and Grafenwöhr Mondays through Thursdays. On Fridays they will recertify Soldiers who have already taken the CLS training.

During the recertification process, the Soldiers must demonstrate proficiency in the life-savings skills they have previously gained.

Having the medical training teams on location makes it possible to bring highly-qualified medical instructors right to the Soldiers.

"It's a great opportunity for us to assist in training war-fighting units, especially because the students here are very attentive and appreciate the vital importance of this course," said Sgt. 1st Class Ronald James, a senior medical instructor with the PAARNG and the non-commissioned officer in charge of the CLS training course.

In an environment where minutes and seconds count, the expertise gleaned during the 40-hour class is critical. Especially since the curriculum was changed to include aid for the three most preventable cases of battlefield deaths, he said.

"We now teach how to stop bleeding from extremity wounds, how to open an airway and needle/chest decompression for chest injury and tension pneumothorax management," Sergeant First Class James said. "We also teach basic casualty evaluation, how to stabilize fractures and medical evacuation procedures."

The classes are a combination of classroom teaching and hands-on instruction.

"I wanted to attend a (CLS) course for a while now because I know how important it is," said Spc. Heather Thomas, a 21st TSC postal clerk. "The training really helps. Things are not that hard once you get to practice – that's what makes the difference."

Staff Sgt. Justin Reed, motor transport operator with the 21st TSC's 515th Transportation Company, said he agrees.

"The practice makes me more confident. Now I know I at least have a chance of making a difference, whether that is giving aid to someone injured in an accident on the Autobahn or during fighting downrange," he said.

Sergeant First Class James said they have received phenomenal support from the 21st TSC staff, and the students are refreshingly attentive.

Spc. John Stefans (right), a mechanic with the 21st Theater Sustainment Command's 515th Transportation Company, practices inserting an intravenous line on Sgt. Eric Brugger, a truck driver with the same company. The Soldiers attended the Combat Life Saver Class taught by a Pennsylvania Army National Guard mobile training team March 23 to 26.

Pennsylvania Army National Guardsman Sgt. 1st Class Ronald James (left) keeps a close eye on a Soldier who is practicing his needle-chest decompression skills March 25. Sergeant First Class James is the non-commissioned officer in charge of the mobile training team teaching combat life saver skills to 21st Theater Sustainment Command Soldiers at Panzer Kaserne.

Arrival ceremony Tuesday for new J-model

by Capt John Ross
Ramstein Public Affairs

At 3 p.m. Tuesday, Ramstein will welcome its newest team member, the C-130J Super Hercules, in an arrival ceremony held on Ramstein's Ramp 1.

The festivities will include a ribbon cutting for a new 68,000 square feet dual-bay maintenance hangar, which can hold two C-130J aircraft or one C-17.

The ceremony will be an alternate-duty location for Team Ramstein members, who are also encouraged to bring their families to witness the historic event.

"The Super Hercules brings with it a new age of tactical airlift in Europe," said Lt. Col. Stuart Weinberger, C-130J Program Integration Office chief. "The capabilities of this aircraft will make big changes in how we do things around here."

Several distinguished visitors will speak at the event, including Gen. Roger Brady, U.S. Air Forces Europe commander, Lt. Gen. Phil Breedlove, 3rd Air Force commander, Brig. Gen. Bill Bender, 86th Airlift Wing commander, and Col. Don Bacon, 435th Air Base Wing commander.

An open reception after the ceremony will be catered by Urban Catering of Kaiserslautern, and all in attendance will receive souvenirs.

Entrance on base can be made from the east gate. Parking will be available on Ramp 6 at the northeast corner of the airfield.

Class melts confusion over ICE

Story and photo by Christine June
USAG Kaiserslautern

The Interactive Customer Evaluation, better known as ICE, has been a way to provide customer feedback of military community services for about seven years, and yet, questions still persists, said Emma Vinson, the U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's customer service officer.

Questions from service providers on "how to do this or that" prompted Ms. Vinson to initiate ICE Account Manager Training classes. Her first class was March 25 at the garrison library on Kleber Kaserne. She said she wants to hold the classes the last Wednesday of the month in different garrison locations.

Ms. Vinson said response to this first class was overwhelming. She expect three to six students and got 12.

"I'm trying to revitalize ICE by teaching people how to use it," said Ms. Vinson, who is the also the ICE site administrator for the garrison.

ICE, the Department of Defense Web-based customer feedback system, is now a part of the Installation Management Command's new Customer Management Services that Ms. Vinson manages for the garrison.

"This process is a way for IMCOM to get Army services to where they can be depended on and be predictable throughout the Army," Ms. Vinson said. "So as families go from installation to installation, the quality of services is something they can rely on."

As a part of this program, Ms. Vinson's new job is to find out from customers which Kaiserslautern garrison services fit IMCOM's goal of valuable and dependable and which ones need improvement.

One of the tools used to determine the value of services is ICE.

ICE is a conversation between the individual and the customer-service provider; customers can log in complaints or compliments about a particular service and will receive a response on the issue, Ms. Vinson said.

In the classes, Ms. Vinson teaches managers how to access their accounts, generate the satisfaction rating reports and change report settings to reflect specific time periods. She also teaches them how to customize their ICE comment cards by adding questions directly related to their services, a list of frequently asked questions or links to Web sites offering more information.

Emma Vinson, U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's customer service officer, helps Dana Morris (far right) and Tom Estes, both with the Pirmasens Community Mailroom on Husterhöh Kaserne, set up an ICE account during the Interactive Customer Evaluation Account Manager Training class March 25 at the garrison's library on Kleber Kaserne.

"I teach them how to make their comment cards more customer friendly, which, hopefully, will be one of the tools they use to help to improve their services," Ms. Vinson said.

Tom Estes and Dana Morris, from the Pirmasens Community Mailroom on Husterhöh Kaserne, said they attended the class to improve their services.

"ICE gives you a feel of what the community thinks of your service," Ms. Morris said.

The garrison's Child, Youth and School Service's registered nurse, 119-Online Enterprise Service Desk and the 7th U.S. Army Joint Multinational Training Command's Training Support Center-Kaiserslautern were only some of the groups that attended the meeting. And more than half of the students who attended set up ICE accounts for the first time.

Because the demand was so high, Ms. Vinson said she will now require students to sign up for future classes. This way, she can either make sure they have an existing account and if they don't, she can set it up before class.

The next class is 9 a.m. April 29 at the garrison library, Bldg. 3810 on Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. To register for the class, call Ms. Vinson at 493-4241 or 06313-406-4241.

Events scheduled for Sexual Assault Awareness Month

The following events are scheduled in April for Sexual Assault Awareness Month:

• Tuesday and Thursday: Self-defense classes at 7 a.m. at the Ramstein Soutshide Fitenss Center and at noon at the Kleber Gym.

• Wednesday: "Killing Us Softly: Advertising's Image of Women," at 1 p.m. in the U.S. Air Forces in Europe conference center.

• April 14: "Sometimes the best beer is a root beer," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Vogelweh and Ramstein base exchanges.

• April 17: 5K run/walk at 3 p.m.

• April 22: Booth at health fair for Wellness Day at the Health and Wellness Center.

• April 27 (9 a.m., 2 p.m., 8 p.m.) and April 28 (8 a.m., 11 a.m., 3 p.m.): "Sex Signals" shows at the Hercules theater on Ramstein. This is mandatory for dorm residents and will count toward annual training. Tickets must be obtained in advance from unit first sergeants.

• April 30: Shine the Light Walk at 6 p.m. at the Vogelweh BX.

For more information, call Capt. Shontre McFarlin or Capt. Vanessa Vanden Bout at 480-5597.

Airmen from Germany part of last JET team to be on the air in Iraq

Story and photos by Tech. Sgt. Craig Lifton
332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

Broadcasting to servicemembers supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, a group of joint expeditionary tasking, or JET, Airmen assigned to 732nd Expeditionary Support Squadron's American Forces Network-Iraq may be the last Airmen to execute this mission.

Working in a joint environment with Navy and Army counterparts, these JET Airmen broadcast live on AFN radio, produce a daily newscast and prerecord announcements in small containerized studios in a parking garage under an office building.

The current AFN-I team will be replaced by an all-Army unit soon, bringing an end to Air Force presence at AFN-I.

"We broadcast radio for more than 92 hours a week from here," said Chief Master Sgt. Kerry Porter, the station manager deployed from Ramstein. "Also, (we broadcast) a 10-minute newscast Monday to Friday, which airs on AFN and the Pentagon Channel."

But Chief Porter said they not only broadcast radio to Iraq, but to Afghanistan and Kuwait as well.

At one end of the AFN-I work area is a wall of photographs and the transcripts from important briefers and their briefings.

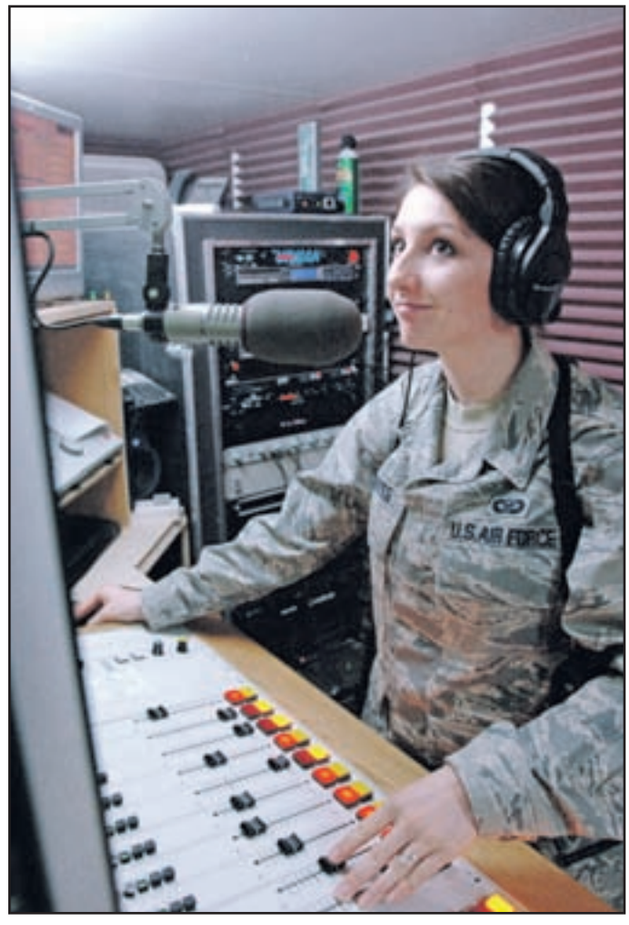
On the other side of the wall is the Combined Press Information Center, or CPIC, which includes a fully functional briefing room with audio and video control room and separate room for interpreters to produce real-time translations.

"Here we support the CPIC with the press conference center for live conferences," said Chief Porter, a native of England. "Doing this, we support the U.S. State Department."

AFN-I not only works in studios, the team also travels the country to get its stories.

"It can be challenging getting our people to the locations where you can only travel by convoys or helicopter," said Tech. Sgt. Marty Rush, a deployed broadcaster from Yokota Air Base, Japan. "The best part is when we go out and find that young Soldier in the dirt and highlight what he is doing for the world to see.

"We have a good mixture of folks here," said Sergeant Rush, the AFN-I NCO-in-charge of news, who is a native of Eldon, Mo. "I like to see the young folks master new skills and tell the story about what is going on here."



Senior Airman Holly Roberts, a broadcaster with the 732nd Expeditionary Support Squadron's American Forces Network-Iraq, runs the switchboard during her radio broadcast March 4 in Baghdad. Airman Roberts is deployed from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany.

Senior Airman Tyler Alexander, a broadcaster with the American Forces Network-Iraq, reads from a teleprompter during a broadcast March 4 in Baghdad. Sergeant Alexander is deployed from Wiesbaden, Germany.

Keeping AFN-I running not only in the studios but all around Iraq is the responsibility of a small team of visual imagery and intrusion-detection systems technicians.

One maintance team is based out of Camp Slayer, Iraq, and travels around to the 22 repeater sites and more than 50 forward-operating bases and combat-operating bases.

"We ensure that $826,000 worth of broadcast equipment inventory is maintained," said Tech. Sgt. Garrett Rosier, an Ogden, Utah, native deployed from Mannheim, Germany. "The sand here gets into everything and can stop the equipment from working."

In the television studio, one can see the commonly seen backdrop of "Freedom Journal Iraq." The set is decorated with camouflage netting, sand bags and two large televisions with the show's logo blazing on the flat screens. The set is lit and cameras stand at the ready. This is where the show is recorded five days a week.

"More than 5.9 million viewers see my face daily," said Senior Airman Tyler Alexander, a broadcaster from Wiesbaden, Germany, and the anchor of "Freedom Journal Iraq." "I feel like I get to know more about what is going on in Iraq by viewing the news stories sent in from the public affairs units in-country."

Down the hall, outside one container, a red light goes on above a sign saying, "ON AIR." Inside, an Airman wearing a headset works radio controls while talking into a microphone.

"I provide entertainment and information," said Senior Airman Holly Roberts, a broadcaster deployed from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. "I inform servicemembers in Iraq about things from morale, welfare and recreation information to health and safety."

Airman Roberts, a native of Arlington, Neb., hosts a daily radio show called "Holly's Hot Afternoons" where she plays music from a song database of more than 44,000 songs.

"The best part about this job is when people who hear me on the radio thank me for playing their favorite music," she said.

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> YAKOTA AIR BASE, JAPAN

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MP Co. commander, to pin Sergeant Hackemer with the Bronze Star he earned for his actions that day.

Sergeant Hackemer received his Bronze Star with his fellow wounded warriors by his side and surrounded by family and friends.

"Today, we are honored to have these four Soldiers back with us. But we're not done yet. We still have to return these four Soldiers to their formation," said Lieutenant Colonel Miller after Sergeant Hackemer was presented with the Bronze Star.

Captain Hall called the unit to attention, and the four Soldiers once again fell in with the unit, assuming their places in the formation.

The Soldiers were then released, and the families and friends of the returning Soldiers were finally given the opportunity they had patiently and anxiously waited months for – the chance to reunite with their loved ones.

For Rikki Giardina, recently married and going through her first deployment with her husband, Spc. Niel Giardina, she said seeing him again "was like falling in love all over again."

For many families and friends the coming weeks will be a chance to catch up with their Soldiers while they reintegrate back into their unit. For Mrs. Giardina, that means getting to know her husband again, travelling together and "finally relaxing," she said.

And for these brave Soldiers, that is exactly what they deserve.

After receiving the Bronze Star, Sgt. James T. Hackemer (front) takes his place in formation with (front to back) Pfc. David L. Mayer, Spc. David A. Knapp and Spc. Austin J. Bewley, who were all injured March 14, 2008, when their convoy was attacked. All four Soldiers were able to make it back to Germany to welcome home their unit during a homecoming ceremony March 22 at Kleber Gym on Kleber Kaserne in Kaiserslautern.

Kaiserslautern Cold Storage turns 50

Story and photo by
Airman 1st Class Tony R. Ritter
Ramstein Public Affairs

This year marks Kaiserslautern Cold Storage's 50th anniversary serving commissaries and customers within the U.S. military European theater.

The momentous anniversary was commemorated March 20 with a ceremony and reception, as well as guided tours of the state-of-the-art facility. KCS stores frozen foods and goods to be distributed to and sold in commissaries throughout Europe. It is currently the primary cold storage facility for 42 commissaries spanning 10 countries and delivers to customers in more than 35 countries.

KCS is located just outside of Ramstein's East Gate and is conveniently connected to the public road system, the autobahn and the German railways.

The Defense Commissary Agency purchased the operation in 1997 and spent a considerable amount of money and man-hours streamlining operations, increasing items stocked and upgrading the facility.

"When DeCA took over KCS 12 years ago, it needed a lot of money and time to bring it up to standard," said Thomas E. Milks, DeCA Europe director. "We invested in everything from new computers and warehousing systems to upgrades to the loading docks and transportation."

KCS has nearly 150 employees, of which 90 percent are local nationals. Many of the DeCA team members have been employed at the KCS for several years and have been a part of the facility's evolution.

Employees and friends of Kaiserslautern Cold Storage attend a ceremony March 20 on Ramstein commemorating KCS's 50th anniversary.

Manfred Young, a 22 year employee of KCS, commented on one way in which his job had improved.

"The storage grid for the items in the warehouse and the location of new items used to be only on paper and we had to go to the control office every time we had to move an item to get the location paperwork," he said. "Today, everything is computerized and has replaced a lot of the unnecessary paperwork. We have headsets for communicating with the control office; we can call in location requests and get an answer immediately. This system saves a lot of time and allows us to keep working."

And indeed the KCS team has worked diligently over the years, vastly contributing to the facility's success.

"I regularly challenge the management and staff to find more ways to save costs and satisfy customers, and they deliver every time." Mr. Milks said.

KCS is not only a vital part of the U.S. military community in Europe, but it has also become an economic asset to the local German community.

"This anniversary means an extraordinary cooperation of numerous organizations. From purchasing (and) stock administration, to transport companies, drivers, mechanics, food inspectors, ... technicians, as well as administrators and managers of the different branches are all included in this process up to the delivery to the U.S. forces – the final customer," said Dr. Klaus Weichel, lord mayor of Kaiserslautern. "You can be assured that Kaiserslautern Cold Storage serves as an illustrious signboard to Kaiserslautern and the region. It is in any aspect a flagship organization and an impressive example of an utmost successfully managed American establishment."

39th Trans. Bn. conducts mission readiness exercise

by Sgt. Fay Conroy
21st TSC Public Affairs

The special events hangar on Rhine Ordnance Barracks is no longer just a hangar where spring bazaars and monthly indoor flea markets are held, and it is no longer located on Rhine Ordnance Barracks. It's not even in Germany. The hangar is the headquarters for the 39th Transportation Battalion, and the unit is deployed to Kuwait – sort of.

The 39th Transportation Bn. conducted a mission readiness exercise March 26 to 31 at the hangar to help them prepare for their upcoming deployment to Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"We are a movement control battalion, and we are the command and control for theater transportation of all assets into Iraq from Kuwait and internally in Kuwait," said Lt. Col. Bob Curran, 39th Trans. Bn. commander. "(We will) synergize with the movement control battalion in Iraq."

During the exercise, participants not only reacted to scenarios provided to them by their higher command and the exercise's observer controllers, they also reacted to real-life events that are happening in Kuwait.

The Soldiers in the 39th Trans. Bn. are in contact with the unit they will be replacing in Kuwait and are reacting to events that are happening to that unit.

At the conclusion of the exercise, the leaders of the 39th Trans. Bn. can go back and compare how their Soldiers reacted to how the unit currently in Kuwait handled the situation.

"It'll help them see in real life what their mission will be downrange. They have been performing their wartime missions right now so that they won't go down there blind," said Staff Sgt. Dana Brown, entry control point non-commissioned officer in charge for the exercise.

Despite the hectic pace of the exercise, morale was still high.

"Our morale has been high. Everyone has been working really hard on the scenarios given to them by the observer controllers," said Capt. Akaninyene Okon, the commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 39th Trans. Bn.

Trash pick-up dates change for upcoming holidays

The trash pick up in some villages of the KMC moves as follows due to the holidays of Good Friday (April 10) and Easter Monday (April 13):

• From Tuesday to Monday in Bruchmühlbach, Buchholz, Lambsborn, Elschbach, Gerhardsbrunn, Langwieden, Martinshöhe, Erzenhausen, Pörrbach, Schwedelbach and Rodenbach

• From Wednesday to Tuesday in Trippstadt, Langensohl, Stelzenberg, Queidersbach, Schopp, Krickenbach, Linden and Landstuhl-city

• From Thursday to Wednesday in Olsbrücken, Frankelbach, Sulzbachtal, Hirschhorn, Katzweiler, Mehlbach, Eulenbis, Kollweiler, Reichenbach-Steegen, Albersbach, Fockenberg-Limbach, Kottweiler-Schwanden, Niedermohr, Reuschbach, Hauptstuhl, Niederkirchen, Heimkirchen, Morbach, Wörsbach, Schallodenbach, Heilgenmoschel and Schneckenhausen

• From April 10 to Thursday in Otterberg, Enkenbach, Alsenborn, Sambach, Otterbach, Kindsbach, Mehlingen, Sembach, Baalborn and Neuhemsbach

• From April 13 to April 14 in Landstuhl-Atzel, Landstuhl-Melkerei, Bann, Oberarnbach, Mittelbrunn, Ramstein, Miesenbach, Steinwenden, Weltersbach, Obermohr, Kirchmohr and Schrollbach

• From April 14 to April 15 in Weilerbach, Rodenbach, Mackenbach, Erzenhausen, Schwedelbach, Pörrbach and Bruchmühlbach

• From April 15 to April 16 in Hochspeyer, Frankenstein, Fischbach, Waldleiningen, Queidersbach, Tripstadt, Langensohl and Stelzenberg

• From April 16 to April 17 in Eulenbis, Hirschhorn, Katzweiler, Sulzbachtal, Heiligenmoschel, Schneckenhausen, Niederkirchen, Heimkirchen, Morbach and Wörsbach

Villages not mentioned have their trash pick up on their regular scheduled days.

(Information courtesy of the Kaiserslautern County Administration office)

Leaders speak out on diversity, equal opportunity

by Tech. Sgt. Amaani Lyle
Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Officials in the Air Force Equal Opportunity Office and the Strategic Diversity Integration Office joined forces to produce a video that demonstrates the commitment of senior Air Force leaders to diversity and equal opportunity programs.

In the video titled "Diversity and Equal Opportunity in Our Air Force," Air Force senior leaders voice their perspectives on diversity and equal opportunity, citing the strength of the service: people.

"This video proclaims the value of the unique qualities of each individual in the total Air Force," said Rose Gault, deputy assistant secretary for the Strategic Diversity Integration Office and video co-author. "We must continue to foster an environment where every individual's contribution is valued and respected."

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz discussed his commitment to diversity and noted the importance of all individuals to mission readiness and warfighting capabilities.

"No one's value to the mission is measured by their proximity to the fight," General Schwartz said. "Diversity provides our force with an aggregation of strengths, perspectives and capabilities that transcend individual contributions."

Diversity is defined as mission-oriented: exploiting the uniqueness of each Airman to enhance organizational effectiveness and readiness.

Equal opportunity is defined as compliance-oriented: ensuring Airmen are treated fairly and work in an environment free of harassment and discrimination.

Brig. Gen. Ronnie Hawkins Jr., deputy director of policy and resources, office of warfighting integration, and chief information officer, said diversity inspired him early in and throughout his career.

"I wouldn't be where I am had I not seen another African American general officer back when I was a second lieutenant, and in so doing I said, 'Hey, there is room and value for me,'" General Hawkins said. "My father is a retired chief master sergeant, so I already knew the Air Force had a solid equal opportunity program. I've known since I joined in 1978."

Lt. Gen. Richard Y. Newton III, Air Force deputy chief of staff for manpower and personnel, said the service takes a "total force" approach in leveraging the spectrum of talent and perspectives of its members.

Diversity allows everyone – active duty, Guard, Reserve and civilians – to reach his or her potential and provide their capabilities to the Air Force and to the joint team, General Newton said.

Kimberly Litherland, director of the Air Force equal opportunity office and video co-author, said she is extremely proud of this tangible product, which demonstrates the importance of the application of diversity and equal opportunity principles to an organization's accomplishments.

"The Air Force embraces equal opportunity and diversity, which yields phenomenal results, a great, effective team who delivers anytime, anywhere," Ms. Litherland said.

Ramstein Airman, mother team up to help kids

Story and photo by
1st Lt. Amber Balken
Zabul PRT

Nearly 200 children waited anxiously as Staff Sgt. Josh Paden and the members of the Zabul Provincial Reconstruction Team distributed the boxes filled with donations.

Sergeant Paden, with the help of his mother Diane Paden and the Pendleton County community in West Virginia, was able to give shoes, clothes and toys to the children of Qalat City, Afghanistan. While on patrol in the Zabul province, Sergeant Paden noticed most of the children who waved and gave them a thumbs up didn't have shoes or proper winter clothing.

"When you see these kids you always wish there was something you could do," said Sergeant Paden, who is deployed to Afghanistan from Ramstein. "They are usually very happy to see us, and it is sad to know they can't afford shoes or clothes."

Looking for a way to help, Sergeant Paden solicited the aid of his mom.

"I called her and told her about the kids here," he said. "I wanted to know if there was a way that we could help and she basically took it from there."

With the help of his mom, Sergeant Paden wrote a letter describing the conditions and the situation in Qalat. And together they sent the letter to the Pendleton Times, the local newspaper, and within days started to get a response.

Citizens from all over the county responded, sending boxes both to Ms. Paden and Sergeant Paden directly.

Children wait anxiously for Staff Sgt. Josh Paden and the members of the Zabul Provincial Reconstruction Team to distribute boxes filled with donations.

Donations included new and gently used clothing items, shoes, toys, books and even some donated money. Ms. Paden organized the items she received and used the donated money to pay for extra shoes and the shipping cost of the more than 20 boxes.

"My mom was the driving force behind the project," Sergeant Paden said. "The only thing that she didn't do was fly over here to give the shoes out herself."

Boxes poured into Zabul and the PRT began organizing and planning for the distribution of the items. Realizing that everyone in the province was needy to some extent, Sergeant Paden and the PRT civil affairs team planned and invited the children from within Qalat City. The distribution lasted approximately three hours and saw nearly 200 local children.

"None of this would have been possible without my mom," Sergeant Paden said. "She is a great woman who is always putting others before herself. A lot of kids have shoes and warm clothes because of her and the Pendleton County community."

Emergencies put Airmen's training to the test

by Airman 1st Class Tony R. Ritter
435th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

"It is better to be prepared for an occurrence and it never occurs than to have an occurrence and not be prepared," said Whitney M. Young Jr., American Liberties activist and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient.

Recently, several Ramstein Airmen were put to the test as skills they learned in such military training as CPR and Self-Aid Buddy Care were used in real world emergencies.

For many military members, annual training like SABC and CPR are just that – training. However, as two Airmen have recently shown, the skills learned in these courses are highly effectively in saving lives.

Master Sgt. David Gates recently lost consciousness and stopped breathing on the racquetball court at Ramstein's Northside Fitness Center. Tech. Sgt. William Stuckmeyer, NCOIC of the facility, immediately responded by having a coworker call 112, grabbing the facility's Automated External Defibrillator and rushing to provide treatment. After the shock was applied and three cycles of CPR were administered, Sergeant Gates began breathing on his own again. Thankfully, Sergeant Stuckmeyer was CPR/AED certified and current in his SABC training.

"I have gone through many of these training classes preparing you for these types of emergencies," Sergeant Stuckmeyer said. "I would say that all of this training has paid off for me, Sergeant Gates and his family."

Sergeant Gates was, of course, also grateful for the training and how prepared Sergeant Stuckmeyer was.

"Sergeant Stuckmeyer did what he was trained to do and he helped save my life," Sergeant Gates said. "It truly pays to teach these skills."

Another incident happened to a local national involved in a serious motorcycle accident offbase. Tech. Sgt. Andrew Dapkins, 2nd Air Postal Squadron Command Postal transportation manager, spotted the injured victim on the side of the road and quickly pulled over to help.

"Upon arriving at the scene, I immediately realized no one had taken charge of the scene. My first reaction was to have someone call for help and I then began checking the victim for injuries," he said. "She was screaming and trying to move, so I realized that CPR wasn't necessary. I gathered some extra clothing and blankets to keep her as warm as possible. My main objective was to treat her for shock by keeping her warm, minimizing her movement and calming her down until the local emergency response personnel arrived."

Sergeant Dapkins was also CPR/AED certified and trained in SABC.

"These are certainly not the only examples of Air Force training being employed in a real-world emergency," said Staff Sgt. Sonja Brown, Ramstein SABC adviser. "The life saving skills learned in such courses as the CPR/AED certification course and SABC are used nearly every day whether at home or abroad,"

Sergeant Brown said the classes are important because they help save lives not only downrange, but also at home.

"The skills you learn in the classes can be applied anywhere – at home, in the office, on the side of the autobahn, on a camping trip, it doesn't matter."

Staff Sgt. Korrine Kargl, 435th Medical Group Basic Life Support Program director, said everyone needs to have the training, even if at the most basic level.

"The use of the techniques learned in these courses greatly increases a victim's chances of survival," she said.

Col. Don Bacon, 435th Air Base Wing commander, said it's also important to highlight the training and these incidents because "it shows what happens when we are trained and mentally prepared for an emergency. Our SABC training and other classes help prepare us for emergencies like these."

KMC AROUND THE

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Fred Gamblin

Color guard

A color guard team from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command participates in a commemoration ceremony March 21 at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, France, to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the American Legion.

Photo by Senior Airman Nathan Lipscomb

Take your seat

Senior Airman Lucy Ramos, 37th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, puts together seats on a C-130 Hercules March 9 on Ramstein. Airman Ramos is one of three female load masters in her squadron.

Photo by Christine June

Sex Signals

Cue cards that say "Stop" help engage the audience during the Sex Signals Soldier training March 24 in the Galaxy Theater on Vogelweh. The training was a part of the Army's sexual assault awareness program to combat the most common type of rape – date rape.

Photo by Senior Airman Amber Bressler

Polish Air Force receives first C-130

Polish Air Force Sgt. (E-5) Andy Kozera (left), 14th Lift Squadron, Powidz Air Base, and U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Ron Whitehead, 514th Flight Test Squadron, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, change the decals on a C-130E Hercules aircraft to the Polish Air Force sign March 23 on Ramstein. The Polish Air Force received the first C-130 Hercules aircraft from the U.S. Air Force March 24.

Courtesy photo

STEP promotion

Col. Laurence Ellis, Personnel Exchange Program commander, notifies Staff Sgt. Amy Mackey, Personnel Exchange Program non-commissioned officer in charge of communications and information systems, of her STEP promotion to technical sergeant March 30 on Ramstein. The STEP program is used to reward outstanding, deserving Airmen who work hard and perform superbly.

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

Adult volunteers needed

The Landstuhl Girl Scouts has adult volunteer openings for overseas committee chair, treasurer, secretary, registrar, public relations, awards committee chair and scout hut manager. The Scouts also need troop leaders. The positions are for the 2009-2010 school year. If interested in volunteering, call Liz Davis at 06371611264 or e-mail camnliz@t-online.de.

Teen Shuttle

Child, Youth & School Services begins offering Teen Shuttle service April 15. This service is available to all CYS Services patrons in high school. Pick up points are located throughout the KMC including Vogelweh, Ramstein and Landstuhl. For more information, call 493-4516 or 0631-3406-4516.

VES mass registration

All Department of Defense Education Activity students need to register for the 2009/2010 school year. Vogelweh Elementary School will hold a mass registration from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. today in the VES cafeteria, Bldg. 1178. Early registration enables the school to plan staffing for the next year. Attendees should bring proof of residence, ID cards, shot records and orders or extensions. Call Julie Covert at 489-6810 for more information.

RIS holds 13th annual Oral Reading Contest

by Marelle Morgan
Ramstein Intermediate School

Photo by Sarah Loomis

(Back row, from left to right) Ramstein Intermediate School principal Stanley Caldwell; assistant principal David Dinges; Maj. A. Self, 3rd Air Force, A6 Communications Planning; and Mindy Quigley, Parent Teacher Association representative stand with (front row, from left to right) alternate Benjamin Rude, who read "The Stinky Cheese Man," district representative Kayla Sriver, who read "Worst Enemies/Best Friends," and district representative Joey Orozco, who read "Soup 1776" at the 13th annual Oral Reading Contest held at RIS.

After weeks of preparation and classroom presentations, 22 fifth-graders from Ramstein Intermediate School read in front of the school as part of the 13th annual Oral Reading Contest.

The audience of students, parents and teachers gathered in the multi-purpose room and were treated to a range of reading selections from the humorous to the suspenseful.

"The oral readers were fabulous this year. I would have hated to have the job of picking out the district representatives," said Alison King, parent and Parent Teacher Association member.

Three judges evaluated each of the contestants using a rubric. Oral reading and listening are part of the Department of Defense Education Activity's fifth grade standards.

Judges for the contest were PTA representative Mindy Quigley, Maj. A. Self, 3rd Air Force, A6 Communications Planning, and assistant principal David Dinges.

The judges said they were impressed with the all the participants and their reading. After reviewing and discussing the rubric scores, the judges revealed the names of the two RIS district representatives and an alternate.

RIS principal Stanley Caldwell handed each of the students a certificate and congratulated them on their accomplishment. Joey Orozco was named a representative for his reading of "Soup 1776," Kayla Sriver was named for her reading of "Worst Enemies/Best Friends" and Benjamin Rude was named an alternate for his reading of "The Stinky Cheese Man."

All three received gift bags full of goodies from the PTA and the two district representatives received $50 savings bonds from the PTA. The RIS district representatives will attend the Kaiserslautern District Fifth Grade Oral Reading Festival April 30 along with the representatives from the other schools where they will have another opportunity to showcase their oral reading talents.

American, European students attend leadership institute

by Felicia Gonzalez
Ramstein High School

Every spring, 150 students from across Europe attend the International Student Leadership Institute in Oberwesel, Germany, for an experience of a lifetime.

To attend the institute, 75 students from academic high schools throughout Europe and the 75 Department of Defense Dependents Schools students endured the admissions process, which included either winning a language or essay competition and/or receiving a teacher recommendation.

The six-day experiment is based on a book written especially for the institute by Dr. Robert Woyach, who is a professor at Ohio State University. Just like the book, the institute teaches students the many aspects of leadership and the qualities needed to become a leader. Student regents, elected the previous year, teach and present these different areas of leadership through PowerPoint presentations. After attending a presentation in each field, students return to their assigned groups that are made up of about 16 students. The students are then asked to create a skit, interpretive dance, a comic strip, a song, poster board or various other presentations and present them as a way to show they have indeed learned something from the PowerPoint presentations.

In addition to these lessons, students also attended a seminar hosted by Ramstein High School psychologist Dr. Terry Arbuckle. This year the topic discussed was, "Bioethics: when does the use of medical technology became harmful and unethical?"

In their groups, students created posters to help explain their stance on the issue.

Sydnie Reynolds, a junior at Ramstein High School, said the institute was the greatest educational experience of her life.

"However, it was not the missing school for a week that made (the institute) memorable, but rather the people and the lessons learned," Sydnie said. "The experience was definitely an eye-opening one. I was in awe at how well the Europeans could speak and understand English, but after all, that is what got them to (the institute)."

Vanessa King from Bahrain High School agreed with Sydney and said the institute "was a truly amazing experience because it showed a group of future leaders how teamwork and leadership can work in any situation, with any culture present."

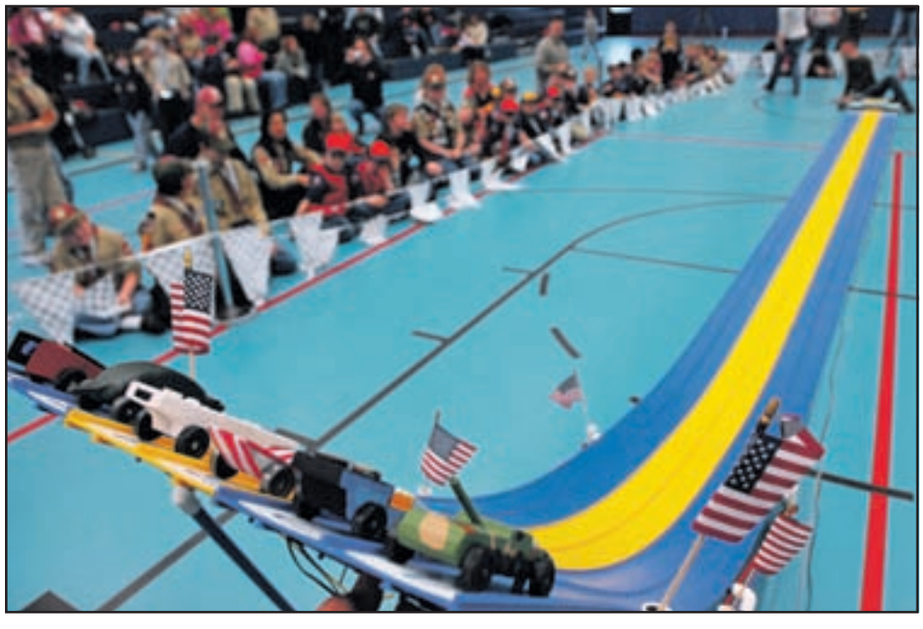
"Everybody involved learned a great deal about other cultures that they may not have ever experienced before, be it German, Finnish or even Bahraini," she said.

Derby cars streak across the track March 19 during a Cub Scout District Level Pinewood Derby contest in the Ramstein High School gym. The pinewood derby encourages scouts to learn and improve on their craftsmanship and practice good sportsmanship.

Scouts improve craftsmanship at Derby

Photos by Airman 1st Class Kenny Holston

435th Command Chief Master Sgt. Mitch Stippel speaks during the opening ceremony of the Cub Scout District Level Pinewood Derby contest March 19.



(ABOVE) Derby cars are held at the starting line as Cub Scouts anticipate the first race. (LEFT) Trophies are shown on display at the Cub Scout District Level Pinewood Derby contest.

2009 March

Mark your calendar

Show your support for victims of sexual assault by participating in an awareness walk at 7 p.m. April 30 on Vogelweh Housing. Registration is not required. The walk begins at the Vogelweh Youth Center Fields. Call Lisa Velez at 493-4617 or 0631-3406-4617.

The Landstuhl Community Club hosts the **2009 Mini Spring Bazaar** Monday to Wednesday. Shop with vendors from around the world to find treasures like antiques, wine, cheese, jewelry and artwork. The Mini Spring Bazaar is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, contact the Landstuhl Community Club (located in Bldg. 3780) at 486-7244, 06371-86-7244 or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

The U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern libraries present independent and foreign films at Heaton Auditorium. All showings begin at 6 p.m. and are free. Popcorn and refreshments will be available. • Wednesday: "The Bothersome Man," by Jens Lien – Norwegian with English subtitles. • April 15: "The Grocer's Son," by Eric Guirado – French with English subtitles. • April 22: "Choking Man," by Steve Barron – English and Spanish with English subtitles • April 29: "Days and Clouds," by Silvio Soldini – Italian with English subtitles. For more information, call the Landstuhl Library at 486-7322 or 06371-86-7322.

Promote child abuse prevention and education at a carnival-themed event that's fun for the whole family. The event takes place from 5 to 8 p.m. April 13 at the Vogelweh Elementary School gym. One lucky person will win two free tickets to Disneyland Paris. For more information, call Devon Paul at 493-4331 or 0631-3406-4331.

The Landstuhl Library hosts a full week of events from noon to 2 p.m. Monday to April 10. Enjoy a different crafting project each day and learn more about crafting through books. • Monday – Beading. • Tuesday – Make a picture frame. • Wednesday – Origami. • Thursday – Make a hat. • Friday – Make an egg basket. For more information, call the Landstuhl Library at 486-7322 or 06371-86-7322.

The Kaiserslautern/Landstuhl Spouses' Association hosts an Antiques and Junk Auction at 6 p.m. April 21 at the Ramstein Officers' Club. Make a reservation for the silent and live auctions by April 14 by e-mailing klsa_reservations@yahoo.com. For more information, visit www.KLSAGrapevine.org or e-mail arjohnston40@yahoo.com.

Monastery Kloster Machern, located among vineyards on the Moselle River near Wittlich, hosts numerous events in April and May. • There will be a special exhibit until June 30 in the historic toy, doll and icon museum. The exhibit includes paintings of landscapes and towns in watercolor and pencil by Günter Baum. • There will also be a antiquity and collectors market April 25 and 26. • Lea Linster, a famous cuisiniere from Luxembourg, will have a cooking presentation from 10 a.m. to noon April 26 in the baroque hall. Entry begins at 9:30 a.m. and costs €10, which includes breakfast and entry into the museum. For more information or to make reservations, call 06532 - 951-640. • Happy Mosel Day takes place May 3 and all roads leading up and down the river will be closed off to traffic, except for cyclists, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a benediction of the bicycles at 2 p.m. at the monastery. Among its many attractions, the Kloster Machern monastery has guided tours, an on-site brewery and museums. For more information on the monastery or for directions, call 06532-951-640 (English is spoken) or visit the monastery's Web site at www.klostermachern.de.

Encourage sexual assault awareness and prevention by participating in this 5K run or 1K walk at 3 p.m. April 17 at the Ramstein Southside Gym. Registration is not required. Contact Lisa Velez at 493-4617, 0631-3406-4617 or lisa.velez2@eur.army.mil for more information.

The Mu Psi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. hosts Artistic Expressions from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 18 at Haus des Bürgers, Am Neuen Markt 4, 66877 Ramstein. Artistic Expressions is an evening filled with jazz, literature and artwork with the ultimate goal of promoting the business of non-traditional entrepreneurs in the local area. Tickets are available pre-sale for €20 or €25 at the door. Call 0160-541-0286 for more information or to purchase tickets.

The Ramstein Officers' Spouses Club hosts a **Silver and Crystal Bingo event** April 15 as part of its monthly social. Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. and social begins at 10. The cost is $16 for members and $18 for non-members. Only ROSC members can win Bingo prizes. Lunch will be provided for ROSC members with deployed spouses. To register for child care, visit www.ramsteinosc.org.

Bring the whole family for a night of fun and entertainment in a carnival-like setting at 5 p.m. April 13 in the Vogelweh Elementary School gym. No registration is required, and all military families are welcome to participate. Contact Devon Paul at 493-4331, 0631-3406-4331 or devon.paul@eur.army.mil for more information.

The Pulaski Auto Skills centers will hold Vehicle Safety Day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 15. Get a free safety inspection for your POV and enter for a chance to win a free car wash. Pulaski Auto Skills will also be offering an oil change special: $5 off any oil change with the use of Mobil 1 motor oil. For more information, visit www.mwrgermany.com or call 493-4167 or 0631-3406-4167.

Army Outdoor Recreation brings your family **the 2009 Eggs-travaganza** at 11 a.m. April 11 at Pulaski Park. Gates will open at 10:45 a.m. and this free event is open to community children up to 12 years old. For more information, visit www.mwrgermany.com or call 493-4117 or 0631-3406-4117.

U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern will celebrate military children and youth with a free event open to the community April 25.The event will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Pulaski Park and will feature free food, entertainment and activities for the whole family. For more information, call 486-5412 or 06371-86-5412.

Audiences play a part in KMC Onstage's latest production

by Christine June
USAG Kaiserslautern

U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern's KMC Onstage continues its latest production of "Night of January 16th" this weekend at the theater, Bldg. 3232 on Kleber Kaserne.

"Night of January 16th" was written by Ayn Rand in 1934 and takes place entirely in a court room centered around a murder trial.

"I came across this play a few years ago and found the concept and content quite interesting," said Leo Kosley, who volunteered to be the director for the production.

The most intriguing aspect of the show is that the jury is made up of audience members.

"They come on stage and sit in the jury box and decide the fate of the defendant so each night the ending of the show can be different," Mr. Kosley said.

The play centers around Bjorn Faulkner, who, after swindling millions of dollars from investors, falls to his death on the night of Jan. 16. The jury's role is to decide if it was a suicide or murder.

"I'm very excited to be a part of this production. Not only is it challenging and exciting to be a part of an interactive play, but it's also amazing that so many people are willing to give up their personal time and volunteer to keep a cherished part of this community alive with their talent," said Sarah Richard, KMC Onstage's operations assistant.

The production continues at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, April 10 and April 11; and at 3 p.m. Sunday at KMC Onstage, Bldg. 3232 on Kleber Kaserne. For details, call KMC Onstage at 483-6626.

Photo by Rich Bailey

Yungyoung Cho, portraying the clerk of the court, swears in Private Investigator Homer Van Fleet, played by Don Jackson, as a witness for the prosecution during dress rehearsals of "Night of January 16th."

Meetings

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10614 hosts a post meeting at 6:30 p.m. April 14 in Bldg. 368 on Rhine Ordnance Barracks. For more information, call Stephen Ward at 486-7516 or wardtrans@yahoo.com. Visit the Post 10614 Web site at www.ktownvfw.org.

A Cancer Support Group meets from 2 to 3:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the Kirchberg Room of the Dining Facility at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. This support group is open to those recently diagnosed, in treatment or recovery and survivors. For details, call Social Work Services at 486-8366.

The KMC Adoption Support Group meets at 7 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at the Landstuhl Health and Wellness Center, Bldg. 3722 on Landstuhl. The group meets the needs of adoptive parents, adopting parents and adoptive children through education and research to resolve adoption issues. Inquiries about adoption are welcome through the group's Web site at www.usadopteurope.com/.

Courtesy photo

Tech. Sgt. Samuel Francis and Sasha Francis glide over the slopes in the Fisser Flieger Jan. 18 while vacationing at Serfaus–Fiss–Ladis in Tirol, Austria. The Fisser Flieger is a hang glider–like flying device with room for four people that hangs up to 155 feet above the ground and can reach speeds of up to 50 mph.

Photo by Anthony Maben Jr.

Anthony and Twana Maben stand outside their hotel, the Grandhotel Pupp, March 14 while on vacation in Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic.

Courtesy photo

Martha and Christian Enyeart, Kathy and Ryan McGuire, and Christopher and Steve VanBuren take a break from skiing in Crans-Montana, Switzerland. The group was there with the Kaiserslautern-Westpfalz Ski Club during President's Day weekend in February.

Photo by Master Sgt. Steve Horton

Xavier Hernandez, 5, pays respect to a comrade-in-arms during a visit to the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial March 14 in Luxembourg City, Luxembourg.

Photo by Robert Higginbotham

Jory and Nicole Watkins enjoy a snowboarding trip to Interlaken, Switzerland, March 16.

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Classes and training

The American Red Cross is holding a **Dog First Aid course** from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday. The cost is $35 per person or $50 per couple. Contact the Ramstein office at 480-2171/5464 or redcross@ramstein.af.mil for registration details.

The American Red Cross is holding a **Community CPR/AED/FA course** from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 11. The cost is $40. CPR/AED certification is valid for one year and FA is valid for three years. Contact the Ramstein office at 480-2171/5464 or redcross@ramstein.af.mil for registration details.

The American Red Cross is holding a **baby sitter's training course** from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 18. The cost is $35 and is recommend for participants ages 11 to 15. Contact the Ramstein office at 480-2171/5464 or redcross@ramstein.af.mil for registration details.

Sign up now for the Army Community Service "Career Ready" training sessions offered from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday at Pulaski Barracks, Bldg. 2917, Room 103. These classes will help job seekers prepare for the April 16 Career Expo by offering resume tips and interview suggestions. For more information, contact Employment Readiness at 493-4029, 0631-3406-4029 or e-mail Jacqueline.Boone@eur.army.mil.

The Kaiserslautern Transition Center hosts a pre-separation briefing from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in Bldg. 3245 on Kleber Kaserne. Soldiers are required to take this presentation at least 90 days prior to separating (not retiring) from the Army. To register, call 483-7071 or 0631-411-7071.

1-2-3 Magic, Part 1, will meet from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 14 in Bldg. 2121 (med clinic) in the first floor conference room. The session will offer tips on effective discipline for children ages 2 to 12, such as how to stop whining, teasing and sibling rivalry. Call Family Advocacy at 479-2370 or 06371-46-2370 for more information or to sign up.

1-2-3 Magic, Part 2, will meet from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 28 in Bldg. 2121 (med clinic) in the first floor conference room. This session will deal with how to encourage your children to pick up after themselves, get up in the mornings, begin their homework and go to bed. Call Family Advocacy at 479-2370 or 06371-46-2370 for more information or to sign up.

The Kaiserslautern Transition Center hosts a briefing on Career Status Bonus April 15 in Bldg. 3245 on Kleber Kaserne. This class is for Soldiers who reach the 15-year mark and are eligible for a $30,000 bonus. To register, call 483-7071 or 0631-411-7071.

The University of Phoenix Europe offers **Master of Business Administration and Master of Arts in Education classes** at Kapaun Air Station. For more information and to register, call Amy Rubiano or Cynthia Roper at 480-8993.

Kaiserslautern's Army Career and Alumni Program Office hosts pre-separation briefings from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Friday in Bldg. 3245, Room 207 on Kleber Kaserne. These briefings are mandatory and provide the required paperwork for separation and retirement orders. Soldiers who are one year from their Estimated Time of Service and two years from their retirement dates should call the ACAP Office for appointments. Soldiers must attend a briefing no later than 90 days prior to separating from the Army. Spouses of active-duty Soldiers are entitled to the services offered by ACAP. These services include resume classes, registering for Veterans Affairs' briefings and job searches. Retired Soldiers and their spouses are entitled to ACAP assistance for life. For more information or to make an appointment, call 483-7089 or 0631-411-7089.

FMWR's SKIESUnlimited offers classes on classic riding, dressage and vaulting for children and teens ages 4 to 18. Satisfaction is guaranteed with a money back policy on the first lesson. The stables are located just 15 minutes from Landstuhl. For more information or to enroll, contact Central Enrollment at 493-4516/4122 or 0631-3406-4516/4122.

The Kaiserslautern Transition Center hosts a pre-retirement briefing 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. May 14 in Bldg. 3245 on Kleber Kaserne. At least once prior to retirement, Soldiers and their family members should attend this briefing. To register, call 483-7071 or 0631-3406-7071.

Employee Assistance Program-Substance Abuse Training for all Department of Army civilians is from 10 to 11 a.m. April 23 at the Learning Center, Bldg. 3718 on Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. This counts as one hour of the two-hour annual requirement for Department of Army civilians. This training will focus on resources in the community for suicide prevention. For details, call Heather Robinson at 486-1710 or e-mail heather.a.robinson1@us.army.mil.

The Kaiserslautern Transition Center periodically holds pre-separation briefings and quarterly pre-retirement briefings. These briefings are held at the Transition Center located on Kleber Kaserne, Bldg. 3245, Room 6. The pre-separation briefings are held the first Tuesday of the month and should be attended between 60 and 90 days out from separation date. Reservations are not necessary for the pre-separation briefing. For those wishing to attended the pre-retirement briefing or for more information, call 483-7071/7380 or 0631411-7071/7380.

FMWR's SKIESUnlimited offers individual flute lessons for children and teens. Sessions will be held Wednesdays at the Landstuhl Youth Center. Students can learn new techniques and control, as well as progressive studies and music. Recitals are held twice a year in the spring and fall. For class times and registration, call Central Enrollment at 493-4516 or 0631-3406-4516.

Chapel news

The U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern **Chaplain's Office is seeking two contracted employment positions** for this year. Contract obligations for a nursery and watch coordinator and a religious education coordinator lasts until Sept. 30. For more information, call the chaplain's office at 493-4229 or 0631-3406-4229.

The 435th Air Base Wing Chapter hosts an amateur youth production of the Broadway show "Godspell." "Godspell" is a musical based upon the Gospel According to St. Matthew. The cast is composed of high school students, college students and first-term military members. Tickets are free and can be obtained from unit chaplains or the 435th ABW Chaplain's office. (By arrangement with Samuel French, LTD. "Godspell" conceived and originally directed by John-Michael Tebelak. Music and new lyrics by Stephen Schwartz. Originally produced on the New York stage by Edgar Lansbury, Stuart Duncan and Joseph Beruh.)

The Army and Air Force Chaplain's Office hosts an **Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service** 6:30 a.m. April 12 at the Vogelweh football stadium, located between the Vogelweh Gym and commissary. Guest speaker is Chaplain (Col.) Lonnie Barker, U.S. Air Forces in Europe deputy command chaplain. In the event of inclement weather, the service will take place inside the Vogelweh Gym. For more information, call U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's Staff Chaplain (Maj.) Mitch Butterworth at 493-4219 or 0631-3406-4219.

The KMC chapter of the Military Council of Catholic Women (a Catholic women's group) is holding a monthly meeting at 6 p.m. April 13 at the Ramstein Northside Chapel Annex. The theme for this month's meeting is "Catholic Parenting." The meeting will begin with a rosary, followed by a potluck dinner. All are welcome to attend. Child care will be provided. For more information, e-mail kmcmccw@hotmail.com or call Davina Gill 06374-805939.

The Ramstein Contemporary Service is accepting bids for the contract position of religious education director. The director is the coordinator, resource person, teacher, facilitator and organizer of the RCS religious education program for children and adults for the RCS Protestant Parish. The chapel will be accepting bids until 4 p.m. Monday. The Statement of Work for the position can be picked up from the Ramstein North Chapel, Monday through Friday. For more information, call 480-5753.

The KMC Military Chapel hosts an Easter Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. April 12 at the Vogelweh Stadium (next to the AAFES furniture store and behind Burger King). A breakfast fellowship will be offered after the service in the Vogelweh Fitness Center.

Islamic School (all grade levels) will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. Sundays at the Ramstein South Chapel. Contact Chaplain Walid Habash at 480-1947 or walid.habash@ramstein.af.mil for more information.

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USAG Kaiserslautern HAPPENINGS

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

Kazabra Club & Bingo Palace

Family Bingo, Apr. 5, 3 - 6 p.m. Featuring special games and prizes for kids and families! Enjoy free hot dogs and soft drinks.

Easter Egg Hunt, Apr. 11, midnight - 2:30 a.m. Find the Golden Egg for the grand prize at this adult Easter Egg Hunt!

Easter Bingo, Apr. 12, 3 - 6 p.m. Featuring Easter goodies and raffle prizes.

Night Owl Bingo, Fridays, 8 - 11 p.m. Two guaranteed $1,000 games will be played each week.

K-Town Coverall
Win a Brand New Car! The K-Town Coverall Bingo game is back again this year and going on now. The top prize is a 2009 Ford Focus. You could also win a $5,000, $2,000 or $1,000 jackpot by playing progressive bingo.

Cadillac Country, Saturdays, 8 p.m. 4 a.m. Enjoy the luxury class of country Dj"ing all night long.

For more information call 489-7261 or 0631-536-7261.

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Get the new Sandwiches and Wraps Loyalty Card. Buy 10 sandwiches or wraps and get a pastry for FREE! Stop in today to start collecting your stamps. Located on Rhine Ordnance Barracks, bldg. 273.

Armstrong's Club

Salsa Night
April 11 & 25
7 p.m.-1 a.m.
Featuring a live D.J., Margarita bar, free finger foods and an hour of free Salsa Lessons! Armstrong's Club is located on Vogelweh housing, bldg. 1036.

Landstuhl Club

Mexican Mondays
6-10 p.m.
Enjoy special Mexican inspired dishes available only on Mondays at the Landstuhl Community Club, Bldg. 3780, located only 15 minutes from Vogelweh and Ramstein.

Army Emergency Relief Fund-Raising Campaign

The Army Emergency Relief (AER) annual fund-raising campaign is your opportunity to take care of your fellow soldier! In times of financial hardship, Soldiers and their Families can turn to AER for assistance, which is given as a grant or an interest-free loan. AER is also proud to sponsor scholarships for deserving Army dependants, and seeks to sustain the strength and financial independence of Army Families.

The Weekly AER Campaign Thermometer displays the current level of donations and pledges within the KMC. Help us meet our goal! To contribute to the AER campaign, contact your unit AER Representative or Roy Bolton at 493-4151/0631-3406-4151, or roy.bolton@eur.army.mil.

Mini Spring Bazaar
April 6-8
Landstuhl Community Club

The U.S.Army Garrison hosts their annual Mini Spring Bazaar,April 6-8. The Bazaar will be open Mon., 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Tue., 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Wed., 10 a.m.- 6 p.m. This event will take place at the Landstuhl Community Club, bldg. 3780 located on Landstuhl Post. With over 20 vendors offering a variety of European gift items to include antiques, wine, cheese, jewelry, oil paintings and more, you are sure to find that perfect something. Have lunch while you are there from 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. Call 486-7244 or 06371-86-7244 for details or visit our website at mwrgermany.com.

Eggs-travaganza
Outdoor Recreation
Apr. 11, 11 a.m.
Army Outdoor Recreation brings your family the 2009 Eggs-travaganza at Pulaski Park. Gates will open at 10:45 and this free event is open to the community children up to 12 years old. For more information, go online to www.mwrgermany.com or call DSN 493-4117 or Civ.0631-3406-4117.

It's BuncoTime
Landstuhl Community Club
Apr. 16, 6-10 p.m.
The Landstuhl Community Club will host an indulgent evening of free Bunco fun. No experience necessary to play! Win gift cards and other great prizes! Participants must be 18 or older. For more information, call 486-7244 or 06371-86-7244 or go online to www.mwrgermany.com .

Night of January 16th
KMC Onstage
April 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 Showtime: 7:30 p.m.
April 5, Showtime: 3 p.m.
This courtroom drama is an interactive play that takes place in the New York Municipal Court. The jury will be drawn from the audience to decide the fate of Karen Andre. If you are interested in volunteering, KMC Onstage is currently seeking individuals to assist with concessions, box office sales and ushers for all of the above listed performances. For more information about the show or volunteering, call 438-6626 or 0631-411-6626. KMC Onstage is located on Kleber Kaserne in Bldg. 3232.

Vehicle Safety Day
Pulaski Auto Skills
April 15, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Don't miss out on the opportunity to receive a free safety inspection for your POV at the Pulaski Auto Skills Center. For more information, call 493-4167 or 0631-3406-4167.

For questions regarding MWR events and programs listed on this page, call Marketing at 493-4128 or 0631-3406-4128.

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KMC cultural highlights

Compiled by Petra Lessoing
Ramstein Public Affairs

The following is a list of performances and events happening in the KMC and nearby. Dates are subject to change.

Performing arts:

Kammgarn Kaiserslautern:

• The trio Lola Angst presents electronic death rock, 8 p.m. today. Tickets cost €14.

• Ezio from England present songs and guitar dialogues between TexMex and ballads, 8 p.m. Saturday. Tickets cost €19.

• The Sexy Drugs present local Indie punk pop rock, 8 p.m. April 11.

• The four musicians Talking Horns perform jazz 'n' chamber music on14 wood and brass instruments, 8:30 p.m. April 23. Tickets cost €14.

• Glowing Elephant present retro pop, 8:30 p.m. April 24. Tickets cost €9.

• The band Kilians presents Indie rock pop and alternative, 8:30 p.m. April 25. Tickets cost €13.

For more information, visit www.kammgarn.de or call 0631-365-2548.

• Midnight Mover and special guests, 9:30 p.m. Monday. Visit www.midnightmover.de.

Pfalztheater Kaiserslautern:

• "L'Orfeo," an opera by Claudio Monteverdi, 7:30 p.m. today, Wednesday and April 25

• "Arsen und Spitzenhäubchen," Arsenic and Old Lace, a criminal comedy, in German, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, April 19, 21, 26 and 30

• "Hair," a musical by Galt McDermot, in German, 7:30 p.m. April 11 and 24

• "Ludus Danielis – the Play of Daniel," a rock oratorio, with the rock band Vanden Plas, 7:30 p.m. April 12 and May 3

• "Kabale und Liebe," a drama by Friedrich Schiller, in German, 7:30 p.m. April 17

• "Zar und Zimmermann," a comical operetta by Albert Lortzing, in German, 7:30 p.m. April 18, 22 and 29

For more information, call 0631-3675-209 or visit www.pfalztheater.de.

Fruchthalle Kaiserslautern:

• The orchestra of the Kaiserslautern, Kusel and Zweibrücken music schools presents "Let's groove," with pop, jazz and film music, 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets cost €6 for adults and €4 for students. For advance tickets, call the Emmerich-Smola Music School at 0631-365-2263.

• Youth Music Workshop: Composer Volker Staub and two musicians present a concert, "New Music and Other Arts," 6 p.m. Monday.

• Children and family concert to close out the Youth Music Workshop, 4 p.m. Thursday.

• The German Radio Philharmonics Saarbrücken Kaiserslautern presents "Shakespeare in Opera," with works by Berlioz, Verdi, Rossini and Gounod, 5 p.m. April 26.

For details, call the office of arts at 0631-365-1410, stop at the Kaiserslautern Tourist Office, Fruchthallstrasse 14 or visit www.fruchthalle.de.

• Concert of Friends features the percussion ensemble and jazz choir of Emmerich-Smola Music School, singers Astrid Vosberg and Andy Kuntz, the concert choir of the Kaiserslautern Music Association and dancer Maria Victoria Ignomirielle, 5 p.m. May 3. Proceeds go to "new chairs for Fruchthalle." Tickets cost €13. Advance tickets for €8 are available at Kreissparkasse Kaiserslautern, am Altenhof, and at Stadtsparkasse, am Stiftsplatz.

Jugend- und Programmzentrum (JUZ), Steinstrasse 47, Kaiserslautern:

• The rap bands Frontrapperkonferenz and Hype One perform 8 p.m. today. Tickets cost €6.50. For details, visit juz-kl.de or call 0631-4145452.

Haus des Bürgers, Ramstein-Miesenbach:

• KMC ministries present the stage production " Heaven's Gates and Hell's Flames," in English and German, 7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Admission is free. For seat tickets, call the chapel office at 480-6148 or Patsy Shannon at 0176-674-32254.

• The Young Original Oberkrainer from Slovenia present folk music, 8 p.m. April 26. Tickets cost €19 to €23. For details, visit www.hdb@ramstein-miesenbach.de or call 06371-592-220.

Nationaltheater Mannheim, Mozartstrasse 9:

• "Il trittico," an opera by Giacomo Puccini, in Italian, with German subtitles, 7 p.m. today, April 12 and 26. For tickets, call 0621-1680150 or e-mail nationaltheater.kasse@mannheim.de.

Miscellaneous:

• Weilerbach, Bürgerhaus, orchid exhibition, today through Sunday

• Pirmasens, landgrave days features arts and crafts, craftsmanship demonstrations, music, jugglers, Saturday and Sunday

• Steinbach/Donnersberg, re-opening of Celtic village, 11 a.m. Sunday. Hours are 11 a.m.to 5 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays and German holidays. For details, visit www.keltendorf-steinbach.de.

• Gimmeldingen/German Wine Street (part of Neustadt), blossom fest with food and wine stands, carnival, Saturday and Sunday

• Kaiserslautern-Siegelbach, zoo, Easter fest with egg hunt, Easter bunny, wagon rides, puppet theater, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 12 and 13

• Winningen/Mosel, Easter egg fest with music, children's activities, egg wine, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 12

Flea markets:

• Ramstein, flea market hall, Flurstrasse, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday

• Bad Dürkheim, An der Saline (near salt-works), 2 a.m. to 6 p.m. today and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday

• Kirchheimbolanden, Festplatz, Saturday

• Metz, France, Parc des Expositions, 6 a.m. to noon, Saturday

Antique markets:

• Homburg-center, am Forum (near Rathaus), Saturday

• Zweibrücken, Festhalle, Sunday

• Stuttgart, Landesmesse, antique days, today, Saturday and Sunday

• Köln, WDR Arkaden, Sunday

• Deidesheim, Stadthalle, 1 a.m. April 12 and 13

• Wiesbaden-Biebrich, Adler Center, Äppellallee, April 12

For more information, visit. www.troedlerundsammeln.de.

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Garden fair open again

The Kaiserslautern Garden Fair re-opened Wednesday. The official opening ceremony with musical entertainment is 4 p.m. Saturday. The first flower show in the flower hall presents plants of "the mythical fairy woods." The Easter bunny will hide eggs from 1 to 3 p.m. Easter Sunday in the farmers' garden. Opening hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Daily tickets cost €6 for adults and €3 for children. Parking is availble on the new parking lot up the street from the Papasote Restaurant. For details and directions, visit gartenschau-kl.de.

Germans observe Easter traditions

Courtesy photo

by Petra Lessoing
Ramstein Public Affairs

Easter is just around the corner. It starts with observing Holy Thursday on April 9, which Germans call Gründonnerstag, or green Thursday. The word green is not associated with the color but rather with the old German verb "grienen," which means "to bemoan." It's a custom to eat green vegetables that day, preferably spinach.

The next day, Good Friday, April 10, is an official German holiday. For Protestants it is one of the most important religious holidays, while Roman Catholics strictly observe it as a day of fasting. Germans celebrate Easter on two days – Easter Sunday and Easter Monday.

Several weeks before Easter, decorations are put up inside the house and outdoors. It is most common to hang up Easter eggs and other ornaments on branches from forsythia, willow catkins and other trees, which are put up in vases or grow in the backyards.

In some towns and villages, Easter trees are put up on public places, fountains are decorated with eggs, flowers and garlands, and Easter markets with selling booths and merry-go-rounds are held.

Courtesy photos

Ramstein-Miesenbach is holding its annual Easter market from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 11 on Marktplatz. Besides the vendors and farmers of the weekly market who will present their products such as fruit, vegetables, cheese, pasta, meat and wurst specialties, eggs, flowers and plants, a regional trout farm will demonstrate how the fish smoked. The Marktbrunnen (market fountain) will turn into the biggest Easter nest of the Pfalz. Starting at 10 a.m., three life-sized Easter bunnies will give out 1,000 Easter eggs to visitors.

Easter Sunday usually starts with the hunt for Easter eggs and Easter baskets; it's the biggest joy for children who still believe the Easter bunny delivers eggs, chocolate and candy. Parents hide the Easter surprises in the most spectacular places such as the oven, washing machine, closets and, of course, in the gardens. Another tradition is the Easter walk through the woods, where little ones may find some more eggs the Easter bunny may have accidentally "lost."

A popular meal served on Easter is roast lamb. According to Christians, the lamb is the symbol for the crucifixion and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The Easter lamb has its origin in a 2,000-year-old Jewish custom, and in 1265, the lamb appeared as a pastry for the first time.

Today, bakeries offer Easter lamb pastries as well as Easter leavened wreaths with a hard-boiled colored egg in the middle.

The Easter egg had its beginnings in the ancient past. Early philosophers gave special significance to the oval shape of elemental things, from the raindrop to the seed, and the oval Easter egg is an outgrowth of ancient pagan rites associated with the rebirth of nature.

For the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans, the egg was a symbol of fertility and life. They put clay and marble eggs in graves to facilitate the dead passing into another world. In China 5,000 years ago, it was tradition to give away decorated eggs for the beginning of spring. In Finland, people claim the universe derived from one giant egg. In Persia, eggs were only combined with spring festivities because during the season of the new sun, poultry started laying eggs again.

It has not been explored why eggs play such a big role on Easter. A reason might be the strict prohibition by church to eat eggs during Lent. In former times, decorated eggs were given as gifts throughout the year. Later it was just done on Easter. It was not only the Easter bunny giving away eggs; storks, foxes and donkeys were also the bearers of eggs in mythology.

In 1682, the Easter bunny was mentioned for the first time. When the production of Easter chocolate and bunnies began around 1850, the long-eared bunny became an Easter trademark.

Paige's Picks

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"Paige's Picks" is a new feature to the KA detailing freelancer Paige Norris-Miller's opinion on everything from books to restaurants to movies…

Tamarillo

Restaurant Review

After hearing rumors of a Spanish restaurant located in Kaisersluatern, I took my husband on a quiet Friday night to discover for myself if it was true.

Tamarillo, a restaurant and Tapas bar, is located in a gorgeous 150-year-old building in the middle of Kaiserslautern.

The romantic style of the architecture really stands out from the simple surroundings of the city park.

We walked through the curling iron gates and into the warm welcome of the restaurant foyer. Flamenco music resonated in the rounded rooms and brought back good memories of my many trips to Spain.

I drank a glass of a Rioja along with my starter of gazpacho. The gazpacho was alive with powerful lemon, tomato, parsley and onion; it was so smooth and delicious. It was good on a cold day, and it would be even better to eat on a warm summer day.

My husband sunk his teeth into a tiny dish of octopus studded with rock salt. I really liked the fresh, chewy texture; it was salty and strong. We then moved on to our main dishes. My chicken was nicely baked and covered in a soy sauce flavored gravy. I liked my golden potatoes flavored with rosemary.

My husband saw a dish with his favorite Manchego cheese on the menu and had to have it. Rich cheese, hot and delicious, was wrapped around fresh chunks of veggies; it was our favorite dish.

I couldn't resist ordering crème catalana, which is toasted raw sugar over rich custard with fruit on the side. We enjoyed our coffee as the perfect end to a good meal.

The restaurant and Tapas bar is located at Pirmasenser Str. 59 and is open at 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sundays and holidays.

So check it out; you won't be disappointed.

baby love

Introducing KMC's newest residents

Luca Edward Zellner

Born at 3:33 a.m. March 9 at St. Johannis Krankenhaus. Luca was 7 pounds, 6 ounces and was 20 inches long. Proud parents are Eric and Kathryn Zellner stationed at Ramstein. Luca joins big brother Micah and big sister Sienna.

Brendon Keithe Sims

Born at 11:13 p.m. Feb. 23 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. He was 6 pounds, 12 ounces and 19.5 inches long. Proud parents are Mel and Elizabeth Sims of Leavenworth, Kan. Brendon also joined big brother Connor. The Sims are stationed at Landstuhl

Lilo Rebecca Cassimatis

Born at 11:36 a.m. Feb. 9 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. Lilo was 6 pounds, 15 ounces and 19.5 inches long. Proud parents are Sudie Nolan-Cassimatis of Florida and Maj. Dimitri Cassimatis of Maryland. The family is stationed at LRMC.

Allyson Elizabeth Moore

Born at 4:02 a.m. Feb. 7 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. Proud parents are Aaron and Jennifer Moore of Tulsa, Okla. Allyson also joined big sister Haylee Catherine Moore. The Moore family is stationed at Ramstein.

Owen Frederick Brooks

Born at 7:58 a.m. Feb. 4 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. Owen was 6 pounds, 0 ounces and 19 inches long. Proud parents are Capt. Jeremy and Carrie Brooks of Boston, Mass. The Brooks family is stationed at LRMC.

Benjamin Landon Blake

Born at 3:01 p.m. Jan. 21 at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center. Benjamin was 8 pounds, 6 ounces and 20.5 inches long. Proud parents are Staff Sgt. Kawi and Veronica Blake of California. The family is stationed at Ramstein.

Mackenzie Nabity

Born at 7:45 a.m. Jan. 15. Mackenzie was 6 pounds, 14.5 ounces and 19.5 inches long. Proud parents are Jeremy and Janine Nabity from Bellevue, Neb.

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Activities planned for Child Abuse Prevention Month

by Dr. Vernon Chandler
USAG-K Family Advocacy Program

The U.S. Army Garrison-Kaiserslautern Family Advocacy Program staff was manning the gates at local military installations Wednesday to give motorists candy and information regarding child abuse prevention.

"We have a full month of Child Abuse Prevention Month activities planned for the Kaiserslautern area," said Devon Paul, USAG-K emergency placement care coordinator and project officer for prevention month programs.

There are a variety of events planned to promote healthy families.

Special activities include a pool party, teen dance, family fun night, puppet show, commissary information booths, a lunch-n-learn, parent reading programs and a blue ribbon campaign.

Ms. Paul said the blue ribbon pays tribute to those children who are victims of child abuse.

"We will be passing out blue ribbons at all our activities," she said. "We hope everyone in the garrison participates in at least one of our events."

There was also a Child Abuse Prevention Month proclamation signing Wednesday at the Community Information Forum. Lt. Col. Mechelle B. Hale, USAG-K commander, officially kicked off the month's observance.

Child Abuse Prevention Month is devoted to celebrating everything we can do to transform the community into a place that cares about – and actively supports – families and children.

"The majority of child abuse cases stem from situations and conditions that are entirely preventable in an engaged and supportive community," said Judy Kintz, a social worker with USAG-K's New Parent Support Program. "A community that cares about early childhood development, parental support and maternal mental health, for instance, is more likely to see families nurturing children who are born healthy and enter school ready to learn."

For more information regarding Child Abuse Prevention Month activities this month, call Ms. Paul at the USAG-K Family Advocacy Program at 493-4331 or 0631-3406-4331.

Army, Air Force to face off in Saturday hockey match

by Ken Robinson
DPL president

The Army's Baden Bruins are taking on the Air Force's KMC Eagles Saturday in a winner-takes-all hockey game.

The 2008 U.S. Air Forces in Europe champions, the Baden Bruins, who dominated Die Players Liga, the German league, last season, will face their toughest opponents yet – the current and dominating 2009 USAFE champions, the KMC Eagles.

The KMC Eagles, who dethroned the Bruins in February at the USAFE Championships, have been dominating the DPL league all season.

Their rise to the top is much attributed to their organizational growth and, of course, acquisition of top-notch college-level hockey players.

Eagles President Todd Poynter has made it a point to recruit and build the largest possible hockey program in the KMC area.

The KMC Eagles have not won the coveted USAFE title since its inception back in 1992. This year, however, the Eagles soared through the competition going undefeated in the tournament.

In the last five years, the Eagles have been working diligently to build a program that could not only compete in the highly regarded DPL league, but be recognized as the top military team in Europe. The Baden Bruins, on the other hand, have won the USAFE title twice and have dominated the German league for years.

Last year, the Bruins were red hot as they swept the competition at both Garmisch and the DPL.

The Bruins are coached by ex-Hartford Whaler Bob Sullivan.

This season, however, the Bruins' only loss was at the hands of the improved KMC Eagles.

It's a classic battle of Army tradition versus Air Force pride. Come April 4, the Bruins plan to revenge their only loss of the season.

The KMC Eagles, however, are determined to keep their winning streak alive and win the most prestigious of titles – the 2009 DPL Championship title.

The Bruins-Eagles Division I Championship game will take place at 9 p.m. April 4 at the SAP Arena in Mannheim. The Division II game is scheduled at 7 p.m.

For more information about the DPL or the military teams, visit www.dpliga.com.

Courtesy photo

Sgt. Kevin Dick, a player with the Army Baden Bruins, goes on the offense during a recent hockey game.

Volleyball league

Any units wishing to participate in this year's Unit Level Volleyball League should contact the USAG Kaiserslautern Sports & Fitness by calling 493-2087, 0631-3406-2087 or e-mail usagklnsports@eur.army.mil. Sign up no later than April 15.

For more information, visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Softball League

Any units wishing to participate in this year's Unit Level Softball League should contact the USAG Kaiserslautern Sports & Fitness by calling 493-2087, 0631-3406-2087 or e-mail usagklnsports@eur.army.mil. Sign up no later than May 6.

For more information, visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Varsity soccer tryouts

Selection for the 2009 Ramstein men and women's varsity soccer teams will be held in April for the upcoming USAFE soccer tournaments this summer.

All experienced men and women soccer players (active-duty, dependents, civilian, contractors and AAFES employees 18 and older) are eligible to play.

You must work on Ramstein or a Ramstein satellite location (Sembach, Vogelweh, Kapaun, etc.). Training is already occurring in preparation for the team selection.

Call Master Sgt. Scott DeHerrera at 0177-6488090 or send an e-mail to deherreras@yahoo.com if you are interested in playing and for additional information.

Ice hockey games

The KMC Eagles will compete in the final, DPL championship game against the Baden Bruins at 9 p.m. Saturday at the SAP Mannheim Arena. Entry is free. For more information, contact Todd Poynter at todd.poynter@ramstein.af.mil. Visit the Eagles' Web site at www.kmcadlers.com.

KMC Youth Skills Challenge

KMC youth, ages 7 to 14, are encouraged to come out and try their skills at dribbling, passing and shooting at the KMC Youth Skills Challenge at 10 a.m. April 25 in the Vogelweh Fitness and Sports Center, Bldg. 2050. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and the event is free to all ID cardholders. For more information, call 489-7329 or 0631-536-7329.

Yoga classes

The Landstuhl Fitness Center now offers six yoga classes: from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 6:15 to 7:15 a.m. Tuesdays. Cost is $7 per class or $40 for eight classes. Tuesday mornings are free. For more information, contact the Landstuhl Fitness Center at 486-7172 or 06371-86-7172 or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Dance classes

FMWR's SKIESUnlimited offers dance instruction in ballroom, jazz, hip-hop and ballet for children and youth. Classes are held Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information, visit www.mwrgermany.com or call 493-4516 or 0631-3406-4516.

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Today

"Monsters vs. Aliens"
(PG) 3:30 and 7 p.m. **(G)**

"Last Chance Harvey"
(PG-13) 10:30 p.m. **(G)** and 7 p.m. **(H)**

"Hotel for Dogs"
(PG) 3:30 p.m. **(N)**

"Inkheart"
(PG) 7 p.m. **(N)**

"I Love You Man"
(R) 10:30 p.m. **(N)**

Saturday

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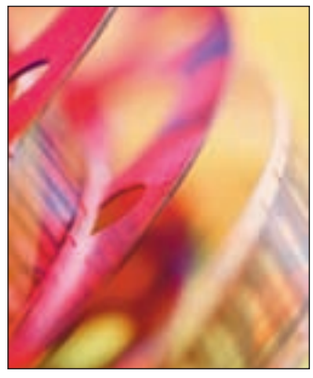

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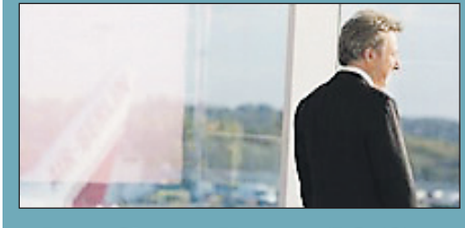


Last Chance Harvey (PG-13) — Harvey, on the verge of losing his job, goes to London to attend his daughter's wedding but promises his boss to be back on Monday. Harvey arrives in London only to learn his daughter has chosen to have her stepfather walk her down the aisle. Trying to hide his devastation, he leaves before the reception in hopes of getting to the airport on time, but he misses his plane. When he calls his boss to explain, he is fired on the spot. Drowning his sorrow at the airport, Harvey meets Kate and the connection between the two transforms both their lives.

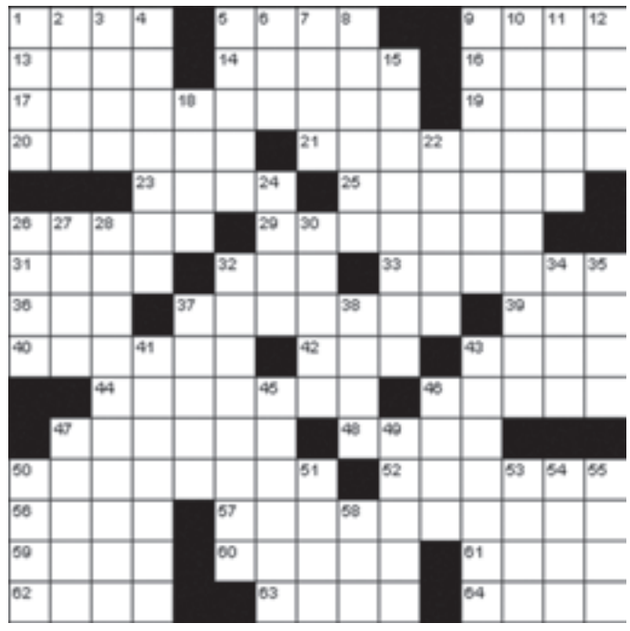
Starring Dustin Hoffman, Emma Thompson

Monsters vs. Aliens (PG) — When Susan Murphy is unexpectedly clobbered by a meteorite from outer space, she mysteriously turns into a giant and is instantly labeled a "monster" named Ginormica.

The military captures and holds Ginormica in a secret government compound with other monsters.

Their confinement time is cut short when a mysterious alien robot lands on earth and begins storming the country and they are called into action to combat the aliens and save the world from imminent destruction.

Starring Reese Witherspoon, Seth Rogen and Kiefer Sutherland.



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ACROSS

1 Stovetop items
5 Launder
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13 Drama award
14 Muslim religion
16 Italian seaport
17 Education innovator
19 Actor McGregor
20 River to the Missouri
21 Payment standard
23 Manor master
25 Copyist
26 Barkin or Burstyn
29 African spear
31 Baby sounds
32 French Mrs.
33 Musical movements
36 Seek office
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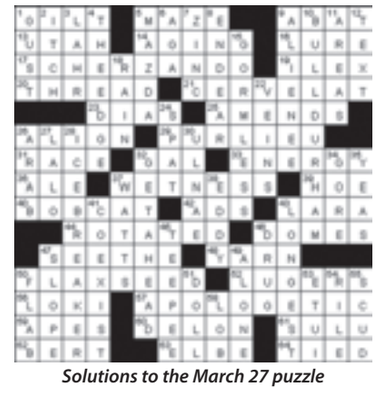
39 Altar avowal
40 Womb
42 Whatever quantity
43 A party to
44 Crowe of "Gladiator"
46 Mad
47 Sunflower State
48 Safecracker
50 Links
52 River of Argentina
56 Compulsion
57 Repeated
59 Angler's item
60 Creepy
61 "Gone With The Wind" plantation
62 Sense organs
63 Department-store section
64 Biblical land

DOWN

1 Pageantry
2 Ancient Greek coin
3 Rock singer Turner
4 Resolves
5 More prudent
6 Fool
7 Mess maker
8 Annoy persistently
9 Spanish or Portuguese
10 Upright
11 Furious
12 "___ kleine Nachtmusic"
15 Go wrong
18 School on the Thames
22 Cereal fungus
24 Moist
26 Beige hue
27 Boor
28 Kemo Sabe
30 Calyx segment
32 Slaughter
34 Smell
35 Big name in electronics
37 Charlotte ___ (dessert)
38 Just
41 Small streams
43 Thankless one
45 High regard
46 Gelatin substitute
47 "M*A*S*H" setting
49 Fencing swords
50 Heal
51 Filly's father
53 Diminutive amount
54 Emperor after Claudius
55 First name?
58 Tenth anniversary gift



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1967	6	1	1500	Stelzenberg GA, G,	1100,-
1974	3	1,5	1700	Mölschbach GA, G ,P	1200,-
				Sembach School	
1944	5	2,5	2400	Otterberg GA, G, P	1250,-
1949	4	2,5	2000	Wartenberg GA, G, P	920,-
1951	4	1,5	2100	Sambach GA, G, P	1400,-
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1968	3	1,5	1400	Winnweiler GA, G	1100,-
				Ramstein School	
1947	4	3	2750	Waldmohr GA, G	1500,-
1948	6	2	2000	Ramstein GA, G, P	1320,-
1961	5	2,5	2700	Spesbach GA, G,	2200,-
1962	3	2	1400	Mackenbach GA, C	1020,-
1966	3	1	1500	Henschtal GA, G, P	900,-
1969	4	2,5	1500	Miesau GA, G, P	900,-
1972	4	1	1600	Ramstein GA, C	1090,-
1973	4	3	2200	Waldmohr GA, G, P	1520,-
1975	4	2	2000	Gries GA, P	900,-
1976	4	2	2100	Ramstein City GA, G, lux. APT	1200,-
				Landstuhl School	
1950	5	3	2200	Land. Melkerei GA, C, P	1482,-
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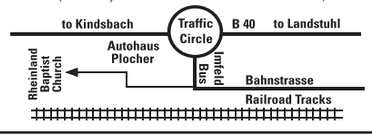

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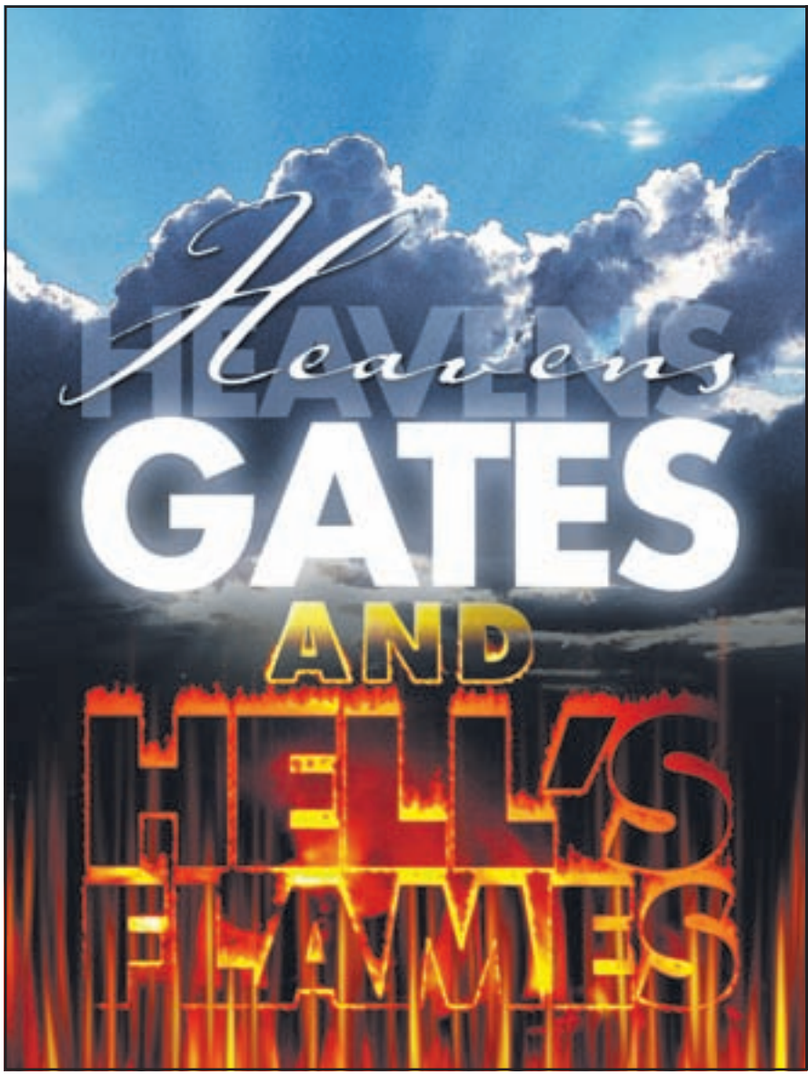

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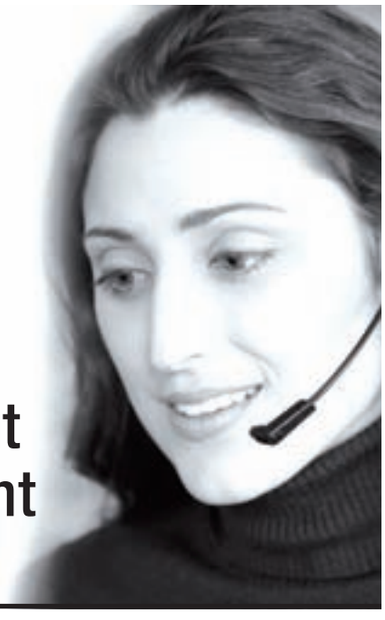

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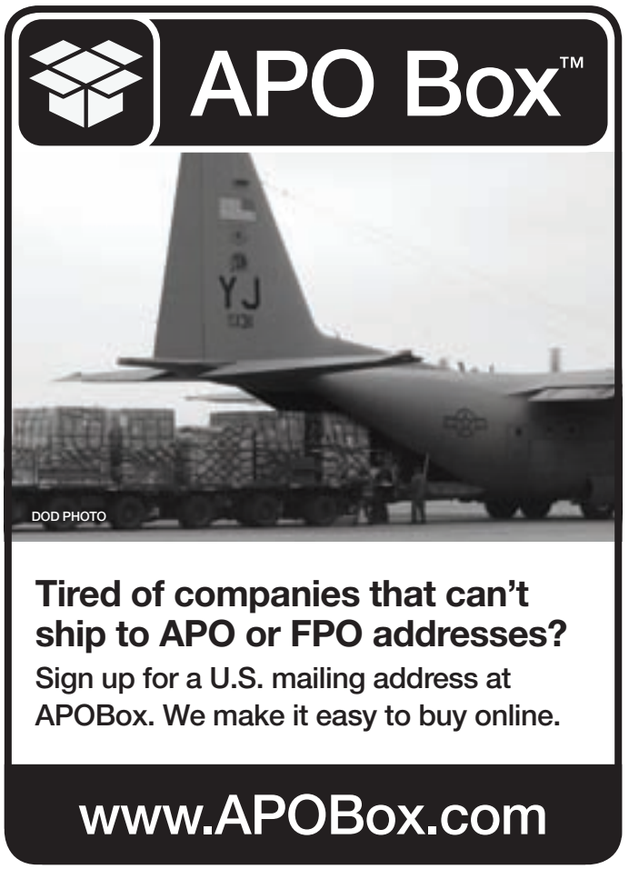

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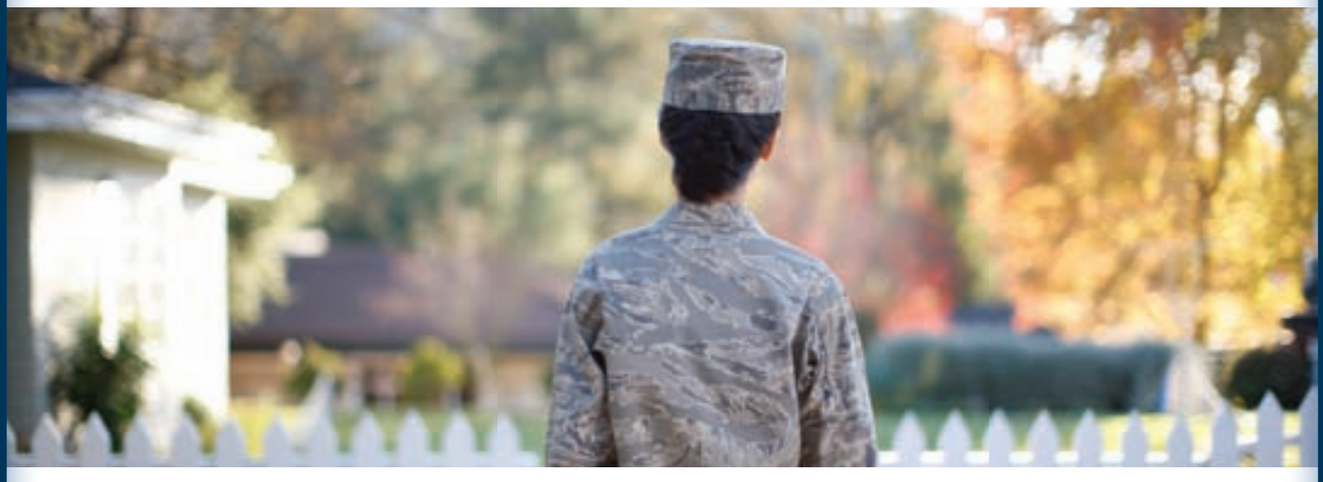

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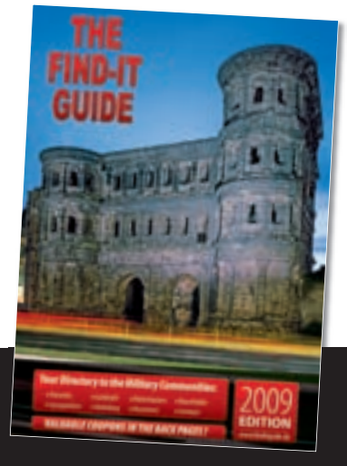

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