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Gen. Welsh assumes command of USAFE

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz gives Gen. Mark A. Welsh III the command of U.S. Air Forces in Europe during a change of command ceremony Dec. 13 on Ramstein. Gen. Roger A. Brady, outgoing USAFE commander, relinquished command during the change of command ceremony after providing command and control for air, space and missile defense for activities in an area of operations covering almost one-fifth of the globe, which includes 51 countries in Europe, Asia, the Middle East, and the Arctic and Atlantic oceans.

Photo by Senior Airman Caleb Pierce

by Capt. Tristan Hinderliter
U.S. Air Forces in Europe Public Affairs

Gen. Mark A. Welsh III assumed command of U.S. Air Forces in Europe from Gen. Roger A. Brady at a ceremony Dec. 13, becoming the 34th commander of USAFE.

"Certainly, succeeding General Brady as commander is a daunting prospect, but the Air Force is so very fortunate to have in Gen. Mark Welsh an accomplished Airman and leader who is equal to the challenge," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz, who co-officiated the ceremony with Adm. James Stavridis, U.S. European Command and NATO Supreme Allied Commander, Europe.

"Your proven leadership at the squadron, group and wing levels, as well as the high praise you received for an outstanding job as the USAFE director of plans and programs, has poised you for success as the next USAFE commander," General Schwartz said to General Welsh. "As you step into this new role, we are all confident that you will continue to excel."

Admiral Stavridis also welcomed General Welsh to the command, emphasizing the importance of USAFE to the EUCOM mission.

"Now, I know I'm a Navy admiral, but I think I'm allowed to celebrate air power as well, and in no place on Earth does it come together as capably as it does here," he said. "This is a command that operates across the entire spectrum of operations — from combat air power to humanitarian operations and building partnerships. Taken together, I would call that 'smart power.'"

See related stories on www.usafe.af.mil: "USAFE welcomes new commander" and "Commander retires after 41 years of service"

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21st TSC provides courtesy patrols

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Executing the mission and taking care of Soldiers are two key tasks for all Army leaders. These tasks come with much responsibility and can be very hard to balance. But day after day leaders throughout the Army continue to work hard to make sure the Army's missions get accomplished and the Soldiers are taken care of.

In an effort to take care of Soldiers and show them their leadership really cares, on and off duty, the command team from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command recently initiated a program called courtesy patrol.

The program was started to assist

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Sgt. 1st Class Nicholas Benyo, the force protection noncommissioned officer for Kleber Kaserne, and Sgt. Timothy Glass and Sgt. William Jackson, transportation specialists with the 66th Transportation Company, stand outside a Kaiserslautern establishment during a courtesy patrol.

Please enjoy this last edition of the KA, and remember to pick up a copy of the first paper in the new year on Jan. 7!
The KA wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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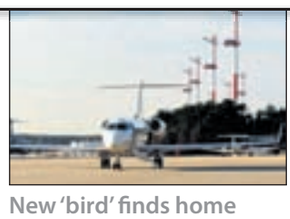

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Commentary

AF leaders issue holiday message

WASHINGTON — Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy sent the following holiday message to U.S. Air Force Airmen:

As we celebrate the holidays, please take the opportunity to reflect on our many blessings as Americans and to remember the people who most enrich our lives. We also should contemplate our broader aspirations that, given the many demands of our very busy lives, we often neglect to consider throughout the year.

Also, especially while many remain engaged in combat operations across the globe, we are thankful for the men and women who have answered our nation's call, and selflessly serve to defend our country and preserve our precious liberty. Those who are spending this special time of the year away from friends, family and loved ones are particularly worthy of the deep and abiding respect of fellow Airmen and of a grateful nation. We look forward to their safe return home.

We also honor the quiet sacrifice of family members who sustain and bring great personal meaning to the service of their loved ones. Those of us with the good fortune to be able to celebrate the holidays at home amongst family and friends remember our deployed Airmen and their family members who miss them.

We ask that you reach out to these families as well as our single Airmen, and in the spirit of giving and support that makes our Air Force so special, we ask that you welcome them into your holiday celebrations.

In all of the joyous ways that we celebrate this holiday season, we wish you and yours the very best during this special time, and throughout the new year.

(Courtesy of American Forces News Service)

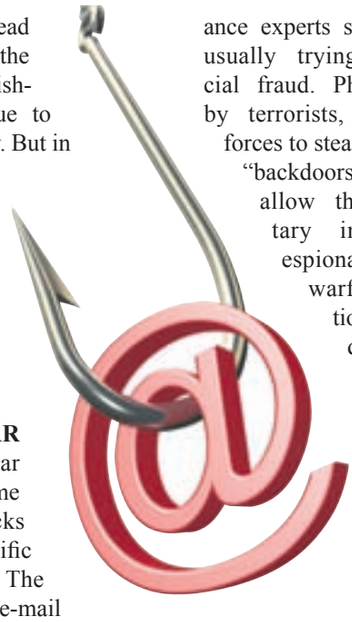
JUST THE FACTS: PHISHING

WHAT IS PHISHING? Phishing is the use of deceptive e-mails to evade security measures and steal private information that can be used to commit fraud or theft.

The most common phishing technique involves the use of a fraudulent or manipulated e-mail to entice victims to visit a malicious Web site that claims to be authentic. For example, U.S. Army Europe computer users have recently been the target of phishing attempts that used falsified e-mails that claimed to originate from Army Knowledge Online and asked them to divulge their AKO account login and password information.

HOW DOES PHISHING WORK? Experts say that like "fishing," a phishing e-mail attack uses a lure, hook and catch to snare victims. The lure is something used to entice or encourage the recipient to provide confidential information. The hook is an authentic-looking request for information. And the catch is when the sender uses a victim's information to conduct illegal transactions.

Often, the lure will encourage the recipient to follow a link that will take them to what appears to be a legitimate Web site. This belief that the e-mails, and the sites they lead to, are authentic is the primary reason phishing attacks continue to succeed, experts say. But in phishing attacks, the e-mails and sites are not authentic — both are frauds that mimic the look and feel of the legitimate versions.



WHAT IS SPEAR PHISHING? Spear phishing is the name for phishing attacks aimed at a specific group of people. The attacker sends an e-mail to several people in the same group or organization, and the e-mail often looks as if it was sent by another legitimate member of the group.

WHAT ARE PHISHERS AFTER? Phishing e-mails are usually attempts to gather passwords, PINs, credit card validation codes, or ATM, bank account, debit card, credit card or social security numbers. Department of Defense information assurance experts say spear phishers are usually trying to commit financial fraud. Phishing can be used by terrorists, nations or military forces to steal credentials and create "backdoors" into networks that allow them to gather military intelligence, conduct espionage and information warfare, alter information, and disrupt systems during important events. This can be true even with unclassified networks and takes advantage of users' trust, complacency or lack of knowledge.

DON'T BECOME A VICTIM! Information assurance experts offer several suggestions:

» Digitally signing e-mails to ensure their integrity is a good practice in general, but particularly vital for messages that ask a user to provide personal or sensitive information. Avoid opening or answering any e-mail asking for personal, sensitive or other critical information unless the message has been authenticated.

» Don't click on links in unsolicited e-mails, especially those asking for personal or sensitive information. Even if you do not supply the requested information, just clicking on a link may enable the sender to access your computer, record keystrokes and capture passwords.

» Never call telephone numbers listed in suspicious e-mails.

» Go directly to Web sites by typing a site's address into your browser and then bookmarking it.

» When possible, set up a login "cookie" that helps a site to remember your user ID. That way, when you return to the site to sign on, your user ID will appear in the site's sign-in box — something a phishing sites can't do. One exception: never set up a login cookie on a public or shared computer.

» Create a different, hard-to-guess password for each account you access. Use at least six characters and a mix of letters and numbers.

For more information and resources on information assurance, force protection and operational security, visit the U.S. Army Europe "Vigilance" Web page at www.hqusareur.army.mil/vigilance.

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Soldiers and help create a better environment by ensuring Soldiers don't drink and drive and avoid altercations while out and about, enjoying their time off during the evenings.

"The courtesy patrol is a way to mitigate crimes in the community, help and assist Soldiers, and show the Soldiers that the leadership actually does care," said Command Sgt. Maj. James E. Spencer, the command sergeant major of the 21st TSC. "We are out there as engaged leaders, not law enforcement or anything like that. We are not out there to discipline Soldiers."

The courtesy patrol consists of several teams made up of noncommissioned officers and officers. Each team is assigned a different zone in Kaiserslautern where they patrol the numerous establishments in the late evenings and early mornings on weekends.

During their patrols, the teams ask Soldiers if they have a battle buddy, if they have been drinking, if they have a plan to get home and if they need any assistance.

The courtesy patrols also try to assist with any confrontations they encounter that involve Soldiers and defuse those situations before they escalate and become serious.

"We want the Soldiers to have fun. We just don't want anyone to get in a vehicle and drive drunk, and we want to try to mitigate any conflicts before they happen," said Sgt. 1st Class Chgward A. Williams, the 21st TSC Property Management Office noncommissioned officer in charge.

The program was started several months ago with all the sergeants major from the 21st TSC conducting the courtesy patrols. Once the initial introduction of the program was established with the Soldiers out there and the community was aware, master sergeants and sergeants first class were incorporated until eventually all noncommissioned officers and junior officers were added.

"We started with the sergeants major because we wanted to teach people first and then work our way down the ranks," Command Sergeant Major Spencer said. "We also wanted to condition the population and the local community to understand how to deal with us. We wanted to show them why we are there and the benefits of our presence."

In the last three or four months, the courtesy patrol has documented more than 60 incidents where they have intercepted, helped and assisted Soldiers in getting home safely by ensuring they are traveling with a designated driver, helping them catch a cab or providing them with a ride home.

A courtesy patrol team stops at a local establishment to speak with a Soldier to make sure he has a plan to get home safely during a routine courtesy patrol Nov. 27 through downtown Kaiserslautern. The courtesy patrol program was initiated by the 21st Theater Sustainment Command as a way to assist Soldiers and help create a better environment.

According to military investigators, since the program began they have seen a decrease in Soldiers driving under the influence of alcohol as well as assaults and other incidents.

"We have been getting a lot of support from leaders, Soldiers and vendors or owners of establishments throughout the community," Sergeant Williams said. "The Soldiers have expressed their appreciation of the courtesy patrol being out there and assisting them."

"We have heard nothing but good things from the vendors and owners. They actually welcome us because they know that their establishment doesn't get broken up by fights, and there are less DUIs coming out of their facilities," Command Sergeant Major Spencer said. "The fact that they are welcoming us as an alternative means for keeping the peace means we are making a difference."

Command Sergeant Major Spencer said the 21st TSC command team plans to continue the program and to take this program model and spread it throughout the entire 21st TSC footprint.

"Understanding the environment in which your Soldiers are in is a good thing for leaders, and conversely it works for the Soldiers as well," he said. "If a Soldier sees their leaders out and about, they actually understand that the leaders really care."

Leadership engagement is the only way to mitigate all the challenges across the formations, and the courtesy patrol is just one way of doing that, Command Sergeant Major Spencer said.

"We are noncommissioned officers, we are officers, we are leaders and we are leaders 24/7," Sergeant Williams said. "If it takes for us to go out and assist the Soldiers, then we will do that just to show them that we are here for them and that we care."

Photo by Sgt. Fay Conroy

AFN journalist becomes rigger for a day

Spc. Dustin Colwell (far left), a rigger with the 5th Quartermaster Detachment, 21st Theater Sustainment Command, explains how to pack a parachute to Spc. Joni Hazard, a broadcast journalist with American Forces Network Kaiserslautern, Dec. 6 at the parachute packing facility on Rhine Ordnance Barracks. Specialist Hazard spent the afternoon learning the job of a parachute rigger for her show "Hazard at Work," which is expected to air on AFN in an upcoming newscast.

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KMC BLOTTER

Dec. 7

5:55 a.m.: An Airman reported a major traffic accident in Mackenbach after the vehicle struck a fence line causing disabling damages.

3:35 p.m.: A Soldier reported damage to private property in Kaiserslautern after an unknown person scratched the Soldier's vehicle.

Dec. 8

6:50 a.m.: A civilian reported damage to private property in Kaiserslautern after an unknown person shattered his windshield and flattened his tires.

8:30 a.m.: A civilian reported a major traffic accident in Bann after the civilian vehicle struck a local national's vehicle causing disabling damages.

4 p.m.: An Airman reported fraud after an unknown person gained access to her account and made fraudulent charges of $345.

8:34 p.m.: A Soldier reported a domestic assault on Vogelweh Family Housing.

Dec. 9

7:15 a.m.: A civilian reported a major traffic accident on the BAB-6 direction Sarrbrücken after she lost control of the vehicle and struck a guard rail.

2:05 p.m.: An Airman reported a major traffic accident in Mackenbach.

Dec. 10

7:22 a.m.: Polizei reported an assault in Kaiserslautern.

11:26 p.m.: A family member reported an assault in Waldmohr after two family members were involved in a verbal altercation that turned physical.

Dec. 11

11:38 p.m.: A Soldier reported an assault at a bar in Kaiserslautern after a local national approached two Soldiers and initiated a verbal altercation that turned physical.

Dec. 12

5:55 a.m.: Polizei reported a drunken driver in Kaiserslautern. Polizei conducted a routine traffic stop and upon contact with the Airmen they noticed the smell of alcohol.

9:31 p.m.: A Solider reported a domestic assault in Weilerbach.

9:31 p.m.: An Airman reported a domestic assault in Queidersbach.

Dec. 13

3:50 a.m.: Polizei reported a major traffic accident and drunken driving in Kaiserslautern.

Conviction Information

• A civilian was terminated from work and barred for theft of government property and services.

• A family member's husband was barred for assault and provoking speeches and gestures and resisting arrest.

Reported Larcenies

December 7
» ***Landstuhl:*** one Interceptor vest, one second chance vest and one fleece.

December 9
» ***Kaiserslautern:*** one GPS and one cell phone.

December 10
» ***Landstuhl:*** one purse and one iPod Nano.

December 11
» ***Landstuhl:*** one car stereo.

December 13
» ***Landstuhl:*** one black wallet with ID cards and credit cards.

AADD Statistics

Dec. 10 — 8 volunteers, 0 calls, 0 potential lives saved

Dec. 11 — 9 volunteers, 23 calls, 41 potential lives saved

Take Note

Closures

• The Ramstein Commissary will change its hours of operations over the holidays. The commissary will be closed Dec. 25 for Christmas Day and Jan. 1 for New Year's Day. The commissary will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 24 and close at 8 p.m. Dec. 31. These changes only affect the Ramstein Commissary, not the Vogelweh Commissary.

• The KMC Housing Office will close Dec. 24 for the Christmas holiday. Normal hours will resume at 7:30 a.m. Dec. 27.

• The KMC Housing Office will be closed Dec. 31 for New Year's Eve. Normal hours will resume at 7:30 a.m. Jan. 3.

21st TSC amnesty day

The 21st Theater Sustainment Command hosts an amnesty day from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 11 to allow individuals to turn in ammunition and explosives. The amnesty day will be held at the Theater Logistics Support Center-Europe's Ammunition Supply Point 9 at Miesau Army Depot. For more information, call 481-3516/3664 or 06372-842-3516/3664.

Ramstein commissary construction

The Ramstein commissary is undergoing a long-term construction project until fall 2012. The parking lot expansion will begin in mid January, resulting in a decrease in available parking. Members are encouraged to visit the commissary during non peak hours or visit the Vogelweh Commissary to avoid some of the congestion that is expected. Keep an eye out for more information on the construction project in January.

Disbursing cage hours

The Delta Detachment, 106th Financial Management Company Disbursing Cage, Bldg. 3245 on Kleber Kaserne, will follow holiday and half-day schedule operating hours. The cage will be open from 8 a.m. to noon Monday through Wednesday and Dec. 27 to 29. The cage will be closed Thursday to Dec. 24 and Dec. 30 to 31. For questions, call 483-8196 or 0631411-8196.

Volunteers needed

• The Kaiserslautern African American Heritage Committee is preparing for its annual Black History Month activities. Meetings are held at 11 a.m. every Thursday in the Ramstein Enlisted Club, upstairs conference room. To volunteer, e-mail jan.Patterson@ramstein.af.mil or Chris.Payne@ramstein.af.mil.

• The Ramstein Tax Center is looking for volunteers who want to assist others in preparing their taxes. Volunteers may be officers, enlisted members, civilian employees, dependents or retirees. No previous tax experience is needed. Training will be provided. For more information, contact Senior Airman Shaun Markel at shaun.markel@ramstein.af.mil.

• The KMC postal offices are looking for volunteers to help out during the holiday season. For details, contact Staff Sgt. Helena Rodriguez, Ramstein Northside Post Office, at 480-4880; or Tech. Sgt. Muhammad Harrison, Ramstein Southside Postal Service Center, at 480-2490; or Staff Sgt. Robert Quinones, Kapaun AS Post Office, at 489-6744.

Traffic circle information

Effective immediately, the small traffic circle adjacent to the Hercules theater has been changed to a four-way stop. This change is being implemented to improve traffic safety.

Rules for a four-way stop

A motorist approaching an all-way stop is always required to come to a full stop before the crosswalk or stop line. Pedestrians always have priority at a crosswalk, even if the crosswalk is not delineated with pavement markings. After a full stop has been made, vehicles have the right-of-way to proceed through the intersection in the order that they arrived at the intersection. In the case where vehicles arrive at the approximate same time, each driver must yield to the drivers on their right.

Don't warm up engines

The Office of Public Order of the Weilerbach Union Community continues to receive complaints from residents who feel disturbed by the unnecessary warm-up of car engines. According to Paragraph 5 of the State Emission Law, residents are to refrain from producing all avoidable noise and air pollution that might bother another person. It is especially forbidden to unnecessarily run noise and exhaust-producing motors or to run them unnecessarily loud. Paragraph 30, Section 1 of the Road Traffic Regulation forbids the unnecessary running of motors and the ensuing noise pollution.

Medical group may open later

Due to inclement weather, the medical group was recently closed until 9 a.m. to allow safe travel for patients and staff members. The closure was posted on the Ramstein Web site under "Winter Weather Update/Impacted Air Force Facilities/Units."

The medical group's closure was not announced on the 480-COLD (2653) line (06371-47-2653) because the COLD line will only inform of road conditions, not unit closures. The medical group is asking its patients to check the status on the Web site before leaving home. The direct link to weather updates is www.ramstein.af.mil/weatherinfo.asp. If the medical group is listed as delayed, the doors will open 15 minutes prior to the posted opening hours. Previous appointments that day will be canceled by the facility and will need to be rescheduled by calling 479-2273 or 06371-46-2273.

Additionally, as the Web site updates frequently, refresh the browser for the most current information.

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Christmas' ashes and soot

by Dr. Marshall Michel
52nd Fighter Wing historian

"Dr." William Whitney Christmas was one of the interesting and eccentric pioneers in the early days of aviation and, almost certainly, a charlatan. He was well educated and attended medical school, but never was licensed to practice medicine. In the early 1900s, he moved to the fledgling aviation industry, where he showed a flair for self-promotion.

Christmas designed and built the "Red Wing" aircraft, which first flew on March 12, 1908, from the frozen surface of Lake Keuka near Hammondsport, N.Y.

Casey Baldwin, the pilot, became the first Canadian to fly a heavier-than-air machine.

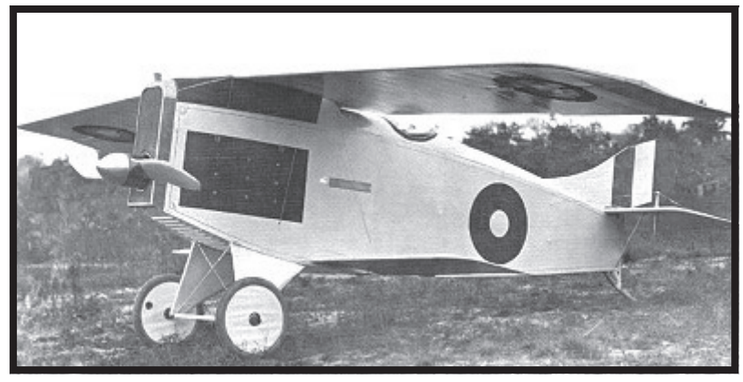
The Red Wing was later lost in a crash, but in 1910 Christmas founded an aircraft company that underwent several name changes until it became the Cantilever Aero Company of New York in 1918.

Christmas had unique and untested ideas about aircraft design. He believed that struts were unnecessary and that an airplane's wings should be free to flap like a bird's. In 1914 he patented the idea for use on a biplane fighter, the "Christmas Bullet," designed with another aviation pioneer, Vincent Burnelli.

The single-seat "Bullet" — also known as the "Christmas Strutless Biplane" and "Cantilever Aero Bullet" — was an all-wood biplane with a veneer-clad fuselage and cantilevered wings, which were unusual because the of the upper wings had anhedral (downward slope) and lower wings dihedral (upward slope) with no braces between them. The unbraced wings were designed to flex during flight, and the aircraft was controlled by linked ailerons and by warping the horizontal tail surfaces.

Christmas claimed that the veneer fuselage was original, ignoring the fact that the German Albatros fighters and most of German two-seater aircraft used for bombing and reconnaissance in World War I had veneer fuselages.

The "Bullet" was powered with the prototype 185 horsepower Liberty 6 engine, provided by the U.S. Army with the proviso that the prototype engine was to be fitted into an airframe for ground testing only. Christmas chose to ignore the restriction.



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The single-seat "Bullet" — also known as the "Christmas Strutless Biplane" and "Cantilever Aero Bullet" — is seen here.

Vincent Burnelli, now the chief engineer of Cantilever, tried to institute changes prior to testing, but at Christmas' insistence, the "Bullet" was completed with the original design features intact. Burnelli was also concerned that the construction materials were scrounged from available wood and steel stock and were not "aircraft grade."

On its first flight on Dec. 30, 1918, the wings of the "Bullet" flexed as planned and then peeled from the fuselage. The aircraft crashed, killing the Army test pilot. It was clear that Christmas did not understand aerodynamic stresses and the wing/fuselage join of the wing was not strong enough to allow the designed flexing of the wing.

Christmas did not tell the Army about the loss of the prototype Liberty engine and the second "Bullet" prototype was powered by a different engine, the Hall-Scott L-6. The second prototype was also destroyed on its first flight on May 1, 1919 — again with the loss of its Army test pilot. Not surprisingly, the project was abandoned before its Army Air Service evaluation.

Christmas continued to campaign for funding for further projects from private and government sources, claiming that he was swamped by orders for "Bullets" from Europe and that he had million-dollar offers to rebuild Germany's air forces. He claimed "hundreds" of patents or patent submissions, among them the aileron (also claimed by the Wright brothers and Glen Curtis) and claimed that the U.S. government bought the rights to his movable ailerons in 1923 for $100,000 to avoid a copyright infringement suit. This claim and most of the others were never substantiated, though he is credited with 10 to 15 aeronautical patents.

(Dr. Michel's articles appear twice a month in the KA. For questions or comments, e-mail Dr. Michel at marshall.michel@spangdahlem.af.mil.)

Trash pick up changes during holidays

Trash pick up in some KMC villages will move to different days due to the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays.

On Dec. 25 and 26, the pick up of trash will move as follows:

• From Tuesday to Wednesday in Gerhardsbrunn, Lambsborn, Langwieden, Martinshöhe, Vogelbach, Bruchmühlbach, Buchholz, Miesau and Elschbach

• From Wednesday to Tuesday in Schopp, Krickenbach, Linden, Queidersbach, Hochspeyer, Fischbach and Frankenstein

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

• From Dec. 24 to Thursday in Kindsbach, Otterberg, Drehenthalerhof, Otterbach, Sambach, Enkenbach, Alsenborn, Neuhemsbach, Mehlingen, Sembach and Baalborn

• Paper trash pick up in Mehlingen will take place Dec. 27 instead of Dec. 24.

On Jan. 1, trash pick up will change as follows:

• From Dec. 28 to Dec. 27 in Rodenbach, Weilerbach, Erzenhausen, Schwedelbach, Pörrbach, Mackenbach, Bruchmühlbach, Vogelbach, Lamsborn, Elschbach and Buchholz

• From Dec. 29 to Dec. 28 in Landstuhl-city, Queidersbach, Krickenbach, Linden and Schopp

• From Dec. 30 to Dec. 29 in Katzenbach, Hütschenhausen, Spesbach, Kottweiler-Schwanden, Niedermohr, Reuschbach, Hauptstuhl, Wörsbach, Morbach, Niederkirchen, Heimkirchen, Schneckenhausen, Heiligenmoschel, Schallodenbach, Mehlbach, Frankelbach, Olsbrücken, Sulzbachtal, Katzweiler, Hirschhorn, Eulenbis, Kollweiler, Fockenberg-Limbach, Reichenbach-Steegen and Albersbach

• From Dec. 31 to Dec. 30 in Enkenbach, Alsenborn, Neuhemsbach, Mehlingen, Sembach, Baalborn, Otterberg, Drehenthalerhof, Otterbach, Sambach and Kindsbach.

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COMMAND, from Page 1

General Welsh said he was humbled to have the opportunity to lead USAFE, Allied Air Command Ramstein, and the Joint Air Power Competence Centre. He discussed his priorities and outlined his vision of where he wants to take the command.

"Providing combat-ready forces and unfailing support to U.S. and NATO commanders engaged in contingency operations remains our No. 1 priority," General Welsh said. "I also believe success is all about people, pride and performance. I will insist we walk the talk when it comes to taking care of those great Airmen we are privileged to lead."

The general comes to USAFE from the CIA, where he served as the Associate Director for Military Affairs. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1976, he also holds a master of science degree in computer resource management from Webster University.

He has served as a fellow in several programs, to include the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Seminar XXI; national security studies programs at Syracuse University and John Hopkins University; Ukrainian Security Studies at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University; the General Manager Program at Harvard Business School; and the Pinnacle Course at National Defense University. He is a command pilot with more than 3,400 hours in various fighter and trainer aircraft.

This is not General Welsh's first assignment in Europe. In the early 1980s, he served as an A-10 instructor pilot, flight commander and wing standardization and evaluation flight examiner at Royal Air Force Woodbridge, England. From 2001 to 2003 he was assigned to USAFE headquarters as the director of plans and programs.

General Welsh's previous command experience includes a cadet squadron at the Air Force Academy, a fighter squadron, an operations group, a fighter wing and a training wing. The general also served as Commandant of Cadets at the U.S. Air Force Academy; deputy commander, Joint Functional Component Command for Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, U.S. Strategic Command; and as the Vice Commander, Air Education and Training Command.

"We are thrilled to be back with our European hosts," said Betty Welsh, the general's wife. "We loved our previous time in USAFE and can't wait to meet the great Airmen and families who are here today."

Photo by Airman 1st Class Brea Miller

The first C-37A stationed on Ramstein sits on the flightline Dec. 13. The aircraft was introduced to Team Ramstein to increase the flying capabilities of the distinguished visitor mission.

New 'bird' finds home with 76th AS

by Senior Airman Scott Saldukas
86th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A new C-37A was introduced to team Ramstein and the 76th Airlift Squadron Dec. 7 to help increase the flying capabilities of the distinguished visitor mission here.

The new aircraft is the military version of the Gulfstream V ultra-long-range-business aircraft and is the first C-37A to be stationed here.

The C-37A bed down program was led by U.S. Air Forces in Europe A8Z, and culminated with the aircraft arriving Dec. 7 from the Gulfstream Service Center in Savannah, Ga.

"It has been a busy year for our squadron, and we are honored to have been chosen to receive the aircraft and have our own crew fly it in," said Lt. Col. Anthony Schenk, 76th AS commander.

According to Lt. Col. Tom Dowdle, 76th AS standards and evaluations chief, the squadron is the largest and most diverse operational support aircraft squadron in the Air Force, and the C-37A will enable them to excel with the high operations tempo they encounter here.

"It greatly expands our capabilities for DV travel," Colonel Dowdle said. "We currently cannot meet the demand with our aircraft inventory, and this new addition will be a great help."

The C-37A is operated by a five-person crew and offers unrivaled range, speed and communication capability. It can fly as high as 51,000 feet, has a maximum speed of Mach 0.885 and has a range of 6,000 miles.

"Our government's and military's senior leaders can fly non-stop from Ramstein to San Francisco, Stuttgart to Johannesburg, or Frankfurt to Beijing," Colonel Dowdle said.

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While airborne, a communication system operator will be able to ensure DVs stay connected with everything going on throughout the flight. With high tech broadband capability, key decision makers never lose contact with their chain of command.

"The aircraft offers a communication suite for DVs that will allow them to be reachable at any time," Colonel Schenk said. "Essentially, this offers everything they would have in their office — only in the sky."

Aside from the upgraded communication systems and increased range, the aircraft also has an Enhanced Vision System that enhances the pilots' effectiveness in flight.

"EVS allows the pilot to 'see' through the clouds," Colonel Dowdle said. "The infrared image captured by the EVS is displayed on a Head-Up Display, so the pilot can see both the flight instruments and the EVS picture simultaneously. With these two technologies, the C-37A can safely operate in much lower visibility conditions than nearly any other Air Force aircraft."

With the addition of the new aircraft comes the need to train personnel. The training, which is conducted in Georgia, lasts approximately one month.

"Unlike most squadrons that are transitioning to a new aircraft, our unit is also deployed," Colonel Dowdle said. "It's been challenging to simultaneously deploy and train our aircrew for the C-37A. It's a testament to the resolve and commitment of the men and women of the 76th that we have succeeded in both endeavors."

With the most recent aircraft addition, the 110-person squadron now operates C-21A, C-20H, C-37A and C-40B aircraft.

Chaplain demonstrates service before self

Story and photo by
Master Sgt. Jim Fisher
17th Air Force Public Affairs

Seventeenth Air Force Commander Maj. Gen. Margaret Woodward presents the Airman's Medal to 17th AF's Command Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gary Ziccardi Nov. 29 at a commander's call. Chaplain Zicarrdi was awarded the medal for rescuing a swimmer who was drowning in November 2009.

Life is fragile. In responding to a call for help, seconds can mean life and death. This concept is something Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gary Ziccardi took to heart after rescuing a drowning man while on vacation in St Croix, Virgin Islands, in November 2009.

Chaplain Ziccardi was relaxing on the beach one minute, and called upon to conduct himself in a heroic and selfless manner the next, in response to cries for help emanating from the rough seas in front of him. The chaplain did not hesitate, spurring a life-saving rescue effort. Chaplain Ziccardi was recently awarded the Airman's Medal for his efforts that day (Nov. 3, 2009). Now the command chaplain at 17th Air Force (Air Forces Africa), he received the award during a November commander's call from 17th AF Commander Maj. Gen. Margaret Woodward.

Though it was humbling to be recognized, the chaplain said he did what any Airman would do in that situation — he put service before self.

"As a human being, there would be a universal response to it. We all have a moral calling or obligation to do what we can in a given situation to defend or assist someone," Chaplain Ziccardi said. "In that way, I don't think I as a chaplain am different from anybody else. Any other Airman would try to put service before self."

Having spent time in the water in a period that ended 15 minutes earlier, the chaplain had then assessed the situation as unsafe and was not confident in his own ability to deal with the conditions, leaving the water.

"There was a rip tide, the surf was churning and violent and there was an undertow — all factors that combined for me to come to the conclusion after only a few attempts that I needed to get out," Chaplain Ziccardi said.

His concern proved to be well founded.

"I heard a faint cry for help," the chaplain said. "I saw a person in the water, and little movement, crying for help. I took my shirt, sunglasses and hat off and I ran toward the water and swam toward him, about 20 yards out."

Not knowing what he would find when he made it to the drowning man, the chaplain pushed his fear aside and began taking action. What he discovered was a man literally at his last gasp, no longer treading water, and unable to even grab hold of his rescuer.

"He had actually started to go under. He was just limp and not able to respond in any way," the chaplain said.

Fortunately, another swimmer arrived seconds later — a man Chaplain Ziccardi later found out was a dive instructor. Both men began trying to get the victim to shore, but the waves were thrashing them apart, and they had to reestablish their contact with him several times. When they managed to get him ashore, the chaplain realized the sea was not the only thing impeding the rescue.

"When we finally reached the water's edge, I realized the man was huge, weighing in excess of 300 pounds," the chaplain said.

With the help of others on the beach, the men managed to maneuver the victim onto a lounge chair, but he was barely responsive. The second rescuer had an oxygen tank in his car, and the two men began to administer oxygen, which slowly brought him around. He was soon transported via ambulance to a nearby hospital where he continued to recover.

Police reports of the rescue made local news and ultimately, word got back to the chaplain's command at the Air Force Chaplain Corps College at Fort Jackson, S.C. Chaplain Ziccardi was then serving as the chief of the school's resource division. Unbeknownst to him, the chaplain's superiors nominated him for the Airman's Medal, which gained secretary of the Air Force approval in June.

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Later reflecting on the incident, the chaplain realized the degree to which he had put himself at risk.

"I felt a fear as I took my shirt off, my hat off, my sunglasses off — I was going fast but they were all deliberate steps to push the fear aside and go to do what I could," he said. "There was a person in distress and I needed to act. I didn't have time to get existential and say, 'am I going to drown out there?'

"That thought came after, when I realized that given his size, if he hadn't been worn out, if he'd been conscious, his natural reaction would have been to hold on as tight as he could and we probably both would have drowned," the chaplain continued.

Chaplain Ziccardi also later reflected on his actions from a chaplain's perspective.

"As a minister of Jesus Christ, who taught that greater love hath no man than he lay down his life for his friends, upon my own processing and reflecting on it, bottom line was that I was willing, I did act," the chaplain said.

The gratitude for being able to respond was also joined with a gratitude for the life saved and how fragile life can be. About a year before the rescue the chaplain's son survived a potentially fatal accident, adding to the sentiment, he said.

"This impact of this rescue has caused me to be even more grateful and appreciative of every moment of life, and to communicate my love and my care to my family and those people that mean the most to me, because it can change just like that," Chaplain Ziccardi said.

And, as a chaplain, the victim's first words after being resuscitated were especially pleasing.

"Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus."

435th AGOW welcomes new commander

by Tech. Sgt. Markus M. Maier
86th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The men and women of the 435th Air Ground Operations Wing welcomed their new commander in a ceremony Dec. 13 in Hangar 5 on Ramstein.

Col. John Shapland accepted the command from Lt. Gen. Frank Gorenc, 3rd Air Force commander, making him the second commander since the wing stood up in July 2009.

"It is a great honor to be standing here in front of you today," Colonel Shapland said. "I look forward to getting to know each of your squadrons and groups and to working with our Airmen in their mission to rapidly establish expeditionary airfield operations and communications; integrate joint fires and weather across the full spectrum of conflict; and to provide theater-wide combat support and training. I will endeavor to always take care of our Airmen in order to allow the 435th AGOW to excel in its great mission."

Though he is new to the AGOW, Colonel Shapland is not new to Ramstein. He relinquished command of the 603rd Air and Space Operations Center earlier this month.

Born in Champaign, Ill., the colonel entered the Air Force in 1989 as a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy where he earned a bachelor of science degree in human factors engineering.

He spent a large part of his career as a test pilot and in Air Force Special Operations Command, logging more than 3,700 hours in more than 50 different fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

Before coming to Ramstein in 2009, he served as defense policy adviser to the U.S. ambassador to NATO and military assistant to the secretary of defense representative in Europe in Brussels, Belgium, where he advised policy makers on political-military issues relating to NATO.

Outgoing commander, Col. Thomas Gould, is moving on to be the 14th Air Force vice commander at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

Photo by Staff Sgt. Nathan Lipscomb

Lt. Gen. Frank Gorenc, 3rd Air Force commander, passes the guidon to Col. John Shapland during the 435th AGOW change of command ceremony Dec. 13 on Ramstein.

"(My wife and I) wish you all the best in your new command." Colonel Gould said. "We know you'll find the Airmen of the 435th AGOW of the highest caliber — unmatched in their quest for excellence, service and integrity. To the men and women of the 435th, thank you. It's been truly an honor to serve with you both as an Airman and as your commander."

The AGOW is one of two air ground operations wings in the Air Force and consists of more than 1,500 members among three groups and 11 squadrons with 19 geographically separated units across six installations in Germany and Italy.

21st TSC JAG office wins legal, claims awards

by Sgt. Fay Conroy
21st TSC Public Affairs

Customers at the 21st Theater Sustainment Command's Kaiserslautern Legal Services Center can rest assured they are receiving the best legal help and claims assistance possible.

The legal assistance office was awarded the Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance for fiscal year 2009, and the claims service office received the Judge Advocate General's Excellence in Claims Award.

Both awards were presented by Maj. Gen. Patricia McQuistion, the commanding general of the 21st TSC, Dec. 1 at the KLSC on Kleber Kaserne in Kaiserslautern.

Stephen Smith, the chief of the client services division, office of the staff judge advocate for the 21st TSC, said the applications for the Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance are evaluated based on their quality of legal assistance provided to Soldiers, their family members and other eligible clients; innovations to provide better assistance at the installation for deployment preparation and for deployed forces; professional development of legal assistance attorneys and support personnel; and the quality of the preventive law program.

The KLSC has a strong preventative law program in place.

"We do more than just see clients and help them with their existing legal issues," said Joerg Moddelmog, a German attorney and adviser for the KLSC. "We try to be proactive by preventing issues from arising."

One of the preventative measures the KLSC provides is the "Kaiserslautern Legal Informer," a quarterly newsletter that provides information on various legal topics and can be downloaded from the 21st TSC Web site at www.21tsc.army.mil.

The center also provides regularly updated handouts on German and U.S. laws as well.

In addition to their preventive law program, the KLSC has the largest overseas deployment training program for Reserve judge advocates and paralegals in U.S. Army Europe. The program lets Reserve Soldiers do their annual training at the center.

The applications for the Judge Advocate General's Excellence in Claims Assistance were judged based on compliance with regulatory standards and demonstrated innovation in providing outstanding claims service, Mr. Smith said.

The claims assistance office at the KLSC is successful largely because of their interaction with their customers.

"Everyone is kind of unhappy when they walk into the claims office and usually frustrated because it's hard to process stuff," said Col. Claes Lewenhaupt, the staff judge advocate for the 21st TSC.

The claims examiners and OSJA employees understand that it is hard what is asked of servicemembers, so these legal and claims experts do it with a caring hand, Colonel Lewenhaupt said.

Communication is another key to having a successful claims office.

"Over and over I would see someone who has just lost family heirlooms that are just not replaceable, but they had a positive experience because our office was prompt, and we investigated it thoroughly," said Capt. Erik Lapin, the chief of claims at the KLSC. "When we couldn't pay something, we were very clear on why, and most of the time the customers got it."

The KLSC has won the Army Chief of Staff Award for Excellence in Legal Assistance 18 times since 1991. The claims assistance office has been awarded the Judge Advocate General's Excellence in Claims Assistance six times since 2003.

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Spotlight on 86th Force Support

Aquatic Center

Ramstein • *Bldg 422* • *06371-405-7665*

•Water Aerobics: Tuesday, Thursday 8-9 a.m., 9-10 a.m., 5:30-6:30 p.m.
•Water Aerobics "Dance Edition" Wednesdays, 6:45-7:45 p.m.
•Fitness Lunch: Wednesday & Friday. 12 p.m.-1 p.m

Arts & Crafts

Ramstein • Bldg 552 • 06371-47-6534

•Kids Crafts: variety of projects: $5
•Jewelry, Scrapbooking & Pottery Classes: call for more details
•This Month Create your own Kids Craft Holiday Ornament

Bowling Center

Ramstein • Bldg 2139 • 06371-47-5547

•Dollar Daze: Come out and enjoy $1 games of bowling and $1 shoe rental per person. Every Monday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.

Vogelweh • Bldg 2060 • 0631-536-6543

•Wednesday Night Special: Bowl 2 games, get one game free, 5 p.m.-10 p.m.

Community Center

Ramstein • Bldg 412 • 06371-47-6600

•Flea Market: every 2nd and 4th Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
•Baroque Christmas Market at Ludwigsburg: 18 Dec, $25
•Sugar Plum Lane: 4-24 Dec. Photos with-Santa in our beautiful sugar Plum Lane scene. $5 for digital photos in decorative sleeve, $4 using your own personal camera
•Santa Suits available to rent for 24 hours.

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•Breakfast with Santa: 18 Dec, 9 a.m.-11 a.m., $9 per person.
•Frijoles Mexican Restaurant: Open Tuesday-Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

Enlisted Club

Ramstein • Bldg 2140 • 06371-47-5421

•Football Frenzy: Saturdays and Sundays

Kaiserslautern Rod & Gun Club

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•Archery Course: Fridays, $50, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
•Pull-Shoot-Fetch

Officers' Club

Ramstein • Bldg 302 • 06371-47-2824

•Sunday Brunch: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation

KMC Center • 06371-47-5705

•Indoor Ski/Snowboarding: 18 Dec, $45
•Christmas Sale: 18-24

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KMC Center • 06371-47-6330

•Egypt & Nile Cruise: 19 Dec
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•Torch Club's Breakfast with Santa: 22 Dec, 7 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Bldg 1057, $5 at the door $3 in advance
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Ramstein • Bldg 411 • 06371-47-3099

•After School Clubs!
•Holiday Lock-In: 17 Dec, $15
•Rothenberg Holiday Market: 20 Dec, $25

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•After School Clubs!.
•Holiday Karaoke: 17 Dec, 7 p.m.
•Holiday Movie Night: 6 p.m.-10 p.m.
•Holiday Cookie Baking: 22-23 Dec, 2 p.m.- 5 p.m.
•Closed 24-25 Dec: Happy Holiday

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Active shooter training

Tech. Sgt. Daryll Allen, 86th Security Forces Squadron, and members of his fire team sweep a building during an active shooter training event Dec. 14 on Ramstein. Active shooter training is conducted to ensure security forces Airmen are organized, trained and equipped to move, communicate and respond quickly to eliminate an armed threat in an effort to preserve life.

Photo by Staff Sgt. Michael J. Taylor

21st TSC holds first tree lighting ceremony

Soldiers, civilians and families from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command, along with various Kaiserslautern city officials and residents, yell "Happy Holidays" Dec. 3 on Panzer Kaserne in Kaiserslautern during the first 21st TSC tree lighting ceremony. During the ceremony, carols were sung, cookies, candies and hot chocolate were handed out, and the children had an opportunity to see and speak with Santa Claus.

KMC THE AROUND

Courtesy photo

Air Force Family of the Week

Master Sgt. Tariq Abdullah, his wife Ladonna and daughters Kimora, 6, Zara, 3, and Mia, 12, recently arrived at Ramstein from Andrews Air Force Base, Md. Sergeant Abdullah is assigned to the 86th Vehicle Readiness Squadron as superintendent of vehicle operations. The family is looking forward to traveling and enjoying Germany.

Courtesy photo

Army Family of the Week

Staff Sgt. Michael Perry, his wife Denise, and their eight children recently arrived in the KMC from Fort Hood, Texas. Sergeant Perry now serves in operations with the 357th Air & Missile Defense Detachment on Rhine Ordinance Barracks. The Perry family is looking forward to expanding home school horizons by experiencing European history and culture, including trips to local castles.

Photo by Airman 1st Class Desiree Esposito

'Hidden heroes'

Tim Poole, director of the Ramstein Equal Opportunity Office, coins Staff Sgt. Robert Quinones and Senior Airman Ryan Martorella for being "hidden heroes" behind the scenes at the Kapaun Post Office. The Human Relations Superstar, a quarterly program by the EO office, highlights dedicated professionals who take their jobs seriously to make life a little easier and more enjoyable for others. Sergeant Quinones and Airman Martorella move letters and packages and deliver them with uncanny professionalism.

21st TSC NCOs provide marching orders to KHS JROTC

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston, the highest ranking enlisted Soldier in the Army, poses with Kaiserslautern High School's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps team during his visit to the 21st Theater Sustainment Command Nov. 4 on Panzer Kaserne in Kaiserslautern. The team served as ushers during a 21st TSC ceremony.

Story and photo by
Staff Sgt. Tramel S. Garrett
21st TSC Public Affairs

As the snow fell and the temperatures dropped, the students of Kaiserslautern High School's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps team received drill and ceremony training with the help of two noncommissioned officers from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command.

"We recently joined a partnership with KHS to support activities at the school. As far as the JROTC team, they asked for help and we came," said Sgt. 1st Class George Isla, a communications plans NCO with the 21st TSC.

Maj. Gen. Patricia McQuistion, the commanding general of the 21st TSC, and KHS principal Jennifer Beckwith signed a proclamation announcing 21st TSC's partnership with KHS in October.

"We had been looking for drill sergeants across the KMC. We didn't have the technical leadership like we have now with the 21st TSC," said retired Col. Leon Stamm, senior aerospace science instructor at KHS.

Sergeant Isla, along with Sgt. 1st Class Michael Short, a 21st TSC Support operations ammunition and logistics NCO, instruct students from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. every Monday and Thursday.

This part of the mentoring program allows Soldiers to mentor students at the school during the duty day and helps the cadets practice for upcoming drill and ceremony competitions.

"This has helped the cadets a great deal, especially the freshmen who have never drilled before, and it encourages the upper level cadets too," Colonel Stamm said.

Professionalism, self confidence and discipline are some of the qualities these former drill instructors are instilling in the drill team. The KHS JROTC program has been in place since 1973, and it is the second oldest in Germany.

"The cadets can see the enthusiasm of the Soldiers who are helping them, and they see the results in their own performance," Colonel Stamm said.

Sgt. 1st Class George Isla, a communications plans NCO with the 21st Theater Sustainment Command, teaches Kaiserslautern High School's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps team drill and ceremony movements.

The competition the cadets are training for will take place the first week of March at Rhine Ordnance Barracks in Kaiserslautern.

EDUCATION NOTES

UMUC courses

» University of Maryland University College Europe (UMUC Europe) announces registration for the Holiday Express Intersession, a shortened session that allows students to earn credit in half the time over the holidays. Registration takes place until Sunday, which is also the start date for classes. The Holiday Express schedule can be found at www.ed.umuc.edu/holidayexpress.

» There is still time for students to register for two field study courses offered Jan. 8 and 15. "Renaissance Art in Florence" will be held in Italy and "Van Gogh: Life and Work" will be held in the Netherlands. The registration deadline for both courses is Sunday. Visit www.ed.umuc.edu/fieldstudy or e-mail fieldstudies@europe.umuc.edu for details about upcoming courses in the field study program.

For more information, contact a local UMUC field representative, visit www.ed.umuc.edu, or contact UMUC Europe at 314-370-6762 or +49-(0)6221-3780. UMUC Europe is also on Twitter and Facebook.

KMC Teen Shuttle

Child, Youth & School Services have resumed its KMC Teen Shuttle service. Pick-up/drop-off points are located throughout Vogelweh, Vogelweh Housing, Ramstein, Landstuhl and the Melkerei in Landstuhl Village. ID card, shuttle card and permission slips are required to ride the shuttle. Apply for your Shuttle Card at Central Enrollment & Registration located on Pulaski Barracks, Bldg. 2898 (493-4516 or 0631-3406-4516) and on Landstuhl Post, Bldg. 3810 (486-8943 or 06371-86-8943).

For more information or to download the schedule, visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Kinder Music

U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's SKIES Unlimited offers "ABC Music and Me." This program is open to children enrolled in a child care or pre-K program and is based on early language and literacy development through music and story time.

To find out more, call Parent Central Services at 493-4516 or 0631-3406-4516.

Photo by Holly Freeman

Wife of Supreme Allied Commander Europe visits Ramstein High School students

Laura Stavridis, wife of Supreme Allied Commander Europe Adm. James G. Stavridis, visits Ramstein High School Monday. The visit began with a red carpet salute from the RHS Air Force Junior ROTC. Next, Mrs. Stavridis visited with several students in the library, where she asked them about their lives as military dependents living overseas. Students asked Mrs. Stavridis about her responsibilities and life as the wife of the Supreme Allied Commander Europe. During her visit, Mrs. Stavridis also watched the AFJROTC Charlie Flight conduct a "drill down" exercise, enjoyed a piano recital by Rose Young's class, and viewed student work from Tom Wright's video production class, Tom Goode's digital photography class, Susan Davis' physical applications class (freshmen) and Mandy Galuszka's biology class. Mrs. Stavridis was also interviewed by the RHSTV video crew.

SCHOOLS AROUND THE KMC

Photo by Alicia Bostick

RES 'Cyber School'

Ramstein Elementary School student Chymaera Bostick writes a letter as part of her "Cyber School" assignments for the snow day on Thursday.

Courtesy photo

Holiday party

Members of the Kingfish swim team know how to work hard, but they also know how to play hard. Here, team members enjoy their holiday party at the bowling alley.

Courtesy photo

RES health screenings

A Ramstein Elementary School students gets his height and weight checked during the school's annual health screenings held Dec. 6 to 10.

Photo by Holly Freeman

Government at RHS

Ramstein High School students Ian Anderson (front), Rodoilo deLeon (middle) and Devin Johnson research the House of Representatives and Senator members Dec. 8 at RHS.

Photo by Erica Edwards

Snow day at RES

Ramstein Elementary School student Persephone Edwards works on letters and cards for the troops during a snow day last week.

Gen. Brady awards German security liaison USAFE Medal of Distinction

Photo by Airman Kendra Alba

Gen. Roger Brady, U.S. Air Forces in Europe commander, presents a USAFE Medal of Distinction to Horst Mehlinger, a Germany security liaison who has worked closely with the command for nearly three decades, during a ceremony Dec. 8 on Ramstein. The medal is awarded to non-U.S. citizens in recognition of extraordinary service, achievements or support to the accomplishment of the USAFE mission.

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"I appreciate very much the contribution that you have made to the relationship between the U.S. and Germany and to our security," General Brady said to Mr. Mehlinger during the ceremony. "You have really been a force multiplier in our ability to get our job done safely and efficiently. On behalf of all the men and women of USAFE, I want to thank you personally for the job you have done."

For the past 29 years, Mr. Mehlinger has been a key liaison between USAFE and Rhineland-Pfalz law enforcement agencies. His association with the command began after the August 1981 Red Army Faction bombing of the USAFE headquarters.

As a consequence of the attack, the Air Force Office of Special Investigations formed the AFOSI Protective Service Detail, which works with host nation security agencies to protect the USAFE commander during off-base movements.

In November 1981, Mr. Mehlinger was appointed by the minister of interior as the liaison officer to the PSD.

"Mr. Mehlinger has been a longtime friend and professional colleague of AFOSI as we've provided security and law enforcement support to the men and women of USAFE over many many years," said Col. David Denning, AFOSI Region 5 commander. "He's been the gold standard when it comes to law enforcement and security cooperation, and his support to our command has left a positive impression that will last for years to come."

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For more information, contact the USAFE Public Affairs operations division at 0637-1476558 or usafe.pao@ramstein.af.mil.

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Keep This Holiday Season Fire Safe

The winter holiday season should be a joyous time of the year. We enjoy eating, drinking and spending time with loved ones. During this season, fires and injuries associated with holiday decorating are much more prevalent.

Each year, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated average of 250 home fires that began with electrical Christmas tree decorations and lights.

These Christmas tree fires cause an average of 14 deaths, 26 injuries and $13.8 million in property damage each year.

Although these fires are not common, when they do occur, they are likely to be unusually serious.

On average, one in every 18 reported home Christmas tree fires results in a death. Nearly two-thirds (62 percent) of home Christmas tree fires happen in December, with more than one-third of these fires being reported in the 10 days between Christmas Eve and the day after New Year's Day. The top day was Christmas Day with 6 percent of the fires occurring on this day.

The KMC Fire Department wants to help everyone have a safe and happy holiday season. Here are some tips for everyone to consider:

✶ Natural-cut Christmas trees are not permitted in assembly, educational, health care, detention, correctional, mercantile, lodging or dormitory occupancies.

✶ Select the freshest looking tree available. Make a fresh cut across the tree's base and immediately place in water. Dry trees are highly combustible and will be removed from the facility.

✶ Place natural-cut Christmas trees away from heating devices, space heaters, fireplaces, televisions, computer monitors and other heat sources. These devices will cause the tree to dry out prematurely or be ignited.

Courtesy photo

To prevent fires from occurring in the home, never put lit candles on the Christmas tree.

✶ Christmas trees or decorations must not be allowed to obstruct corridors, exit ways or other means of egress.

✶ In occupancies where natural trees are permitted, the bottom end of the trunk should be cut at an angle at least 1 or 2 inches above the end to help the tree absorb water.

✶ Place the tree in a suitable stand with adequate water. The water level must be checked and maintained on a daily basis.

✶ Artificial Christmas trees must be labeled or otherwise identified or certified by the manufacturer as being "flame-retardant" or "flame-resistant."

✶ Electrical lights must not be placed on metal artificial trees.

✶ Only listed electrical lights and wiring for the appropriate application must be used on Christmas trees and similar decorations. Use UL, GS, or CE approved electrical decorations and extension cords.

✶ If leaving for the holidays, it's best to take down your tree and dispose of it before leaving.

✶ All decorations should be flame-retardant and placed away from heat vents.

✶ Never put lit candles on a tree.

✶ Do not overload electrical outlets. Do not link more than three light strands (unless the directions indicate it is safe). Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet. Make sure to periodically check the wires—they should not be warm to the touch.

✶ Never put wrapping paper in a fireplace. It can throw off dangerous sparks and produce a chemical build-up in the home that could cause an explosion.

✶ Finally, always test your smoke detectors at least monthly and replace batteries annually. Keep your family safe by planning and practicing your fire escape plan. Please contact your fire prevention office for advice or if you have any questions about fire safety.

From all of us here at the KMC Fire Department, we hope that you have a safe and joy filled holiday season. For more information, call 480-5940.

(Courtesy of KMC Fire Department)

Ramstein Torch Club links hearts, hands to reach out to youth

by Mona Hamilton
86th Force Support Squadron

Ramstein Youth Programs announced the launch of a community wide children-helping-children campaign Dec. 10.

This campaign is a part of the national project for the Torch Club, a service and leadership club for youth ages 10 to 13 sponsored through the military partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. The Linking Hearts & Hands campaign will strengthen Torch Club members' knowledge of the needs of children — locally, nationally and globally.

The Kool Kidz Express Torch Club, located at the Ramstein School Age Program Annex, is one of many clubs in the states and on military bases around the world that are initiating children-helping-children projects.

"It is important to teach all citizens, particularly young people, the importance of children helping children in need," said Angela Mackin, Torch Club adviser.

As military youth, the members of the Kool Kidz Express understand the unique needs faced by children whose parents are protecting the nation's freedom and wanted to do something to reach out to other military kids.

"We chose the In It Together pen pal program as the focus of our campaign because some military children like kids of the Coast Guard and Reserves do not always understand life as a military child because they may not be close to a base," said Torch Club member Rebecca Williams, 11. "Some of these kids may not have even been around other military kids. It is kind of awesome to be a military kid in the civilian world, but it can be hard, too."

Through an online program, youth can send questions, ideas or just a note and the Torch Club members will respond with stories, suggestions and ideas so other military youth know they are not alone. The group understands what it is like to have parents deployed, to live far away from family members, to move so many times and to try and adjust to a whole new culture. They want to make sure other kids know there are ways to make it through the challenges and appreciate all the great things about being a military child. The Torch Club members have assisted with other deployment initiatives including Breakfast with Santa and Super Deployed Family Night Out. As they were trying to decide on a national project, they began discussing how much it helped them to have friends around they could talk to and who understood what it was like to be a military youth. Through discussions with their adviser, the youth began to talk about kids who did not necessarily have the support network of a base or close friends, such as children of Guard and Reserve members or those who are not able to participate in support programs. They decided that they wanted to be the friends who really understood for those kids and wanted to use the power of the Internet to offer a way to connect.

"We discussed a lot about safety as we developed the idea for this program," Mrs. Mackin said. "This is a direct e-mail program, so nothing is posted online. We have a box for parental permission and require the military e-mail address of the sponsor to verify eligibility. The entire program is verified by adult staff to ensure the Torch Club members are protected, as well."

The goal of the national project is to provide an opportunity for members to work together to plan and implement a project that addresses important issues in their personal communities. In the process, Torch Club youth learn about community needs and share their knowledge and experiences with their fellow members and their communities, as they are guided by adult mentors who empower them to make a positive difference in the world. The Torch Club knows that deployment, frequent relocation and being far from family are concerns in the KMC community. As military families, they also know that the "community" extends around the world as they move from base to base. This project will be a great way to bring kids together. Staples Inc., which has made a multi-year commitment to support the growth and expansion of the Torch Club program through Staples Foundation for Learning Inc., is supporting the Linking Hearts & Hands Torch Club National Service Project across the world. For more information about Torch Club or other great programs for youth in the KMC, call your youth center today.

The History of 'Silent Night'

by Petra Lessoing
86th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

During Advent season, the world's most popular Christmas song "Silent Night" can be heard all over the world in all languages.

The song originates in Austria. In the afternoon of Christmas Eve 1818, priest Joseph Mohr, the priest of St. Nikolaus Church in Oberndorf, near Salzburg, tried to play the organ. He was very desperate because there was only a scratching sound coming out of the instrument. The church and the organ were damaged by high waters of the Salzach River.

For Father Mohr, a Christmas celebration without music was impossible, so he gave the text of a poem he wrote in 1816 to his friend and local teacher Franz Xaver Gruber and asked him to compose a melody. He chose this poem because it was in German and easy to understand for the local population, who mainly were seamen on the Salzach River. During the priest's time, the church liturgy was mainly in Latin, which was not understood by the poor population.

Just in time for the midnight service, Mr. Gruber presented Father Mohr with an easy melody for two soloists with choir and guitar accompaniment.

The local people liked the "Stille Nacht" song performed by the priest singing tenor and playing the guitar and the teacher singing bass.

That next fall, Father Mohr left Oberndorf to be stationed in another town in the state of Salzburg. The new Christmas song was forgotten, but in 1824, when the organ again needed repair work, the organ-builder found the text and notes of "Stille Nacht" in the choir loft. He asked Mr. Gruber for a copy to take with him on his trips. This way, many musicians from Tyrol, who were traveling through Europe, included the song in their repertory.

In 1832, a publisher from Leipzig printed "Stille Nacht" for the first time, but the names of Father Mohr and Mr. Gruber were not mentioned. They never knew what a success their song, even in America, was. Father Mohr died at the age of 55 as a poor man. Many years later, a controversy about the authorship of the original version was set aside.

Today, a monument of Father Mohr in Oberndorf honors his work.

To date, the Christmas song "Stille Nacht" has been translated in about 300 languages and dialects.

Due to water damage, St. Nicholas Church had to be torn down between 1906 and 1913. In the first half of the 20th century, the village of Oberndorf was placed about 800 meters upstream into high water secured areas, and a new church was built.

Between 1924 and 1937, a Silent Night Memorial Chapel was erected on the grounds of the former church. About 150,000 people from around the world visit the chapel each year.

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Mark Your Calendar

» **KMC Onstage presents singing tea pots,** swinging candle sticks, chomping wolves, a beautiful maiden and, of course, the Beast himself at the production of "Beauty and the Beast." Come see KMC Onstage at 7:30 p.m. today and Saturday in Bldg. 3232 on Kleber Kaserne. For tickets, stop by KMC Onstage or visit the One Stop Shop, located in the Kaiserslautern Library on Landstuhl Post, Bldg. 3810.

» **Play Holiday Bingo** from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Kazabra Club, Bldg. 2057. End the year with a cheer as four guaranteed $1,000 games will be played. There will be special treats, such as a hidden present Advent calendar, free food, raffle prizes and a visit from Santa himself. An early bird Bonanza Game begins at 2 p.m. with the doors opening at 1. For more information, call 489-7261 or 0631-536-7261.

» **Bring the kid's and family to enjoy an afternoon of bingo with free hot dogs and drinks at Family Bingo** from 3 to 8 p.m. Jan. 2 at the Kazabra Club, Bldg. 2057 on Vogelweh. Top prize is a portable DVD player. Kids can also enter in a coloring contest to win great toys. For details, call 489-7261 or 0631-536-7261 or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

» **If you can sing then bring those vocals to Armstrong's Club** for Karaoke Night. Karaoke Night takes place from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. today in Bldg. 1036 on Vogelweh Housing. For more information, call 489-6000 or 0631-536-6000.

» **Have you been a good girl or boy this year?** Stop by the Kaiserslautern Community Activity Center from 3 to 6 p.m. today to meet Santa. Whisper what goodies you are hoping to find under the tree for Christmas. A photographer will also be available to capture this special day.

» **The Kaiserslautern Christmas tree market** will be set up until Thursday at the Messeplatz fairgrounds. It will be open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturdays, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays. Various kinds of fir trees will be available for sale.

» **U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern's Outdoor Recreation** travel schedule for December and January is now available. Take an express trip to Paris, go skiing or get your holiday shopping done at a German Christmas market! Army Outdoor Recreation is sure to have the perfect excursion for you. For more information, contact Outdoor Recreation by calling 493-4117 or 0631-3406-4117 or visiting www.mwrgermany.com.

» **The Kazabra Club hosts Cover All Bingo** at 7 p.m. Wednesdays, 8 p.m. Fridays, and 3 p.m. Sundays. For details, visit www.mwrgermany.com or call 489-7261 or 0631-536-7261.

» **Stop by the Kaiserslautern Community Activity Center for National Spaghetti Week.** Celebrate pasta, the beloved Italian treasure, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Jan. 3 to 7 in Bldg. 3109 on Daenner Kaserne. For details, call 483-6500 or 0631-411-6500.

» **Start the year out right by singing your heart out** from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dec. 31 at Armstrong's Club, Bldg. 1036 on Vogelweh Housing. This party includes singing, dancing, free food and, of course, New Year's party favors. For details, call 0631-354-9986.

» **Learn to salsa with an hour of free salsa lessons,** Margarita bar and live DJ from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Jan. 8 at Armstrong's Club, Bldg. 1036 on Vogelweh Housing. For details, call 0631-354-9986 or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

» **The Warrior Zone** features the latest in gaming and digital entertainment with four flat screen TVs and a surround sound system with headphones and DVD capabilities. The Warrior Zone is located inside of Java Cafe, Bldg. 273 on Rhine Ordnance Barracks, and is free for all Soldiers and guests 18 and over. For more information, call 493-2623 or 0631-3406-2623 or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Janene Lyles (middle) poses for a photo with Gerd Steingräber (left), managing director of Saturn in Kaiserslautern, and Armand Derderian, AdvantiPro senior sales agent. Ms. Lyles won a Philips flat screen TV, sponsored by Saturn, after participating in the Kaiserslautern American's Snowman Hunt Contest Nov. 26. The contest was a huge success; more than 1,000 readers participated by counting the number of snowmen hidden throughout the paper.

Meetings

The Ramstein Women, Infants and Children Overseas Office will be having a breastfeeding support group for enrolled WIC participants. The WIC Overseas Program is available to eligible participants living overseas, including civilian employees, DOD contractors, family members and members of the uniformed services. The group will be held every third Tuesday of the month in the WIC Overseas building on the third floor in the conference room. The next class will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, call 480-4466 or 06371-47-4466, stop by our office in Bldg. 2118 on Ramstein, or e-mail jodi.klabunde.ctr@ramstein.af.mil.

» **The Kaiserslautern West Pfalz Ski Club** hosts membership meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of the month at the Parodox Restaurant (Ramstein-Miesenbach, Bahnhofstraße 2). For more information, visit www.kwpski club.com.

» **Vogelweh's Mothers of Preschoolers**, or MOPS, needs volunteers to help watch children up to 5 years old. MOPS also needs mentor moms to help guide newer moms. MOPS meets twice a month on Wednesday mornings. For more information, e-mail vogelwehmops@yahoo.com.

» **The Knitting Club meets** from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays at the Kleber Library and from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Kaiserslautern Main Library. All levels of knitters are welcome. For more information, call 486-7322 or 06371-86-7322.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

by Marissa-Ellen Patterson
Contributing writer

Santa Claus will be taking a detour to visit several Ramstein force support facilities until Christmas Eve. There are several opportunities for you to bring your children and pets to meet Santa Claus and capture that memory with a beautiful photo.

* Come eat breakfast with Santa from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the Vogelweh Community Center. There will be various prizes and giveaways, crafts and a chance to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus. Tickets are $9 per person and include french toast sticks, sausage, eggs and a juice box. For more information, call the Vogelweh Community Center at 489-7626.

* Sugar Plum Lane at the Ramstein Community Center will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in December, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Mondays, and noon to 3 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Photos are $5 and include a decorative sleeve or $4 if you prefer to use your own camera. For more information, call the Ramstein Community Center at 480-6600.

Be on the lookout for Santa and his sleigh at various locations this holiday season. For more information on these events or any force support facilities, visit www.86fss.com.

Classes And Training

» **Anger Management:** This is a four session class that meets from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday and Dec. 27 in Bldg. 2121, Med Group first floor conference room 115, southeast door. **Magic 1,2,3:** This is a two session parenting class that meets from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Dec. 28 at the HAWC south, Bldg. 2117A. For more information about classes or to register, call the Family Advocacy Program at 479-2370.

» **The Ramstein Airman & Family Readiness Center** invites all new and incoming spouses to the Newcomer Spouses' Orientation to Germany from 9 a.m. to noon every Monday in Bldg. 2120. This program is designed to give new spouses to the KMC the tools needed to familiarize themselves with this assignment and all this area has to offer. A few of the topics include understanding German culture, basic German language, passport requirements for travel, driving and recycling. A cultural tour of the area will follow on Wednesdays. The A&FRC also offers the quarterly Heart Link program, which provides the tools needed to succeed as an Air Force spouse. It also provides a forum for spouses to meet, build relationships and share information. To register for both, contact the A&FRC at 480-5100 or 86MSS.DPF@ramstein.af.mil.

» **Due to the instructor leaving, all basic German classes will be canceled** until further notice. Army Community Service is currently looking for a volunteer to teach Basic German. If interested, call 493-4141 or 0631-3406-4141.

Chapel News

» **The Ramstein Chapel is accepting bids for the following contract position:** KMC Catholic religious education coordinator, who will encompass the religious formation needs, including sacramental preparation for students in preschool through fifth grade. The coordinator is responsible for overall development, programming and implementation as well as the recruitment and training of a volunteer staff. The chapel will be accepting bids until 4 p.m. today. The Statement of Work for this position can be picked up Monday through Friday from the Ramstein North Chapel. For more information, call Petra Rausch at 480-5753 or 06371-47-5753.

» **The Catholic Women of the Chapel** meet from 6 to 8 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the Ramstein North Chapel. Events offered to stay involved include Bible studies, retreat, wounded warriors and more. Child care is provided. For details, e-mail kmcgermanycwoc@googlemail.com.

Different Traditions Bring in the New Year Around the World

by Petra Lessoing
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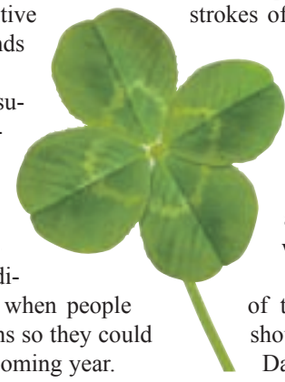
People around the world celebrate New Year's Eve with a variety of traditions to welcome the arrival of the new year.

In Germany, New Year's Eve is called "Silvester." The name refers to a pope in the fourth century, Silvester I, who was bishop in Rome from 314 and died Dec. 31, 335. Later he was canonized. Since 354, the church has celebrated the day of Dec. 31.

Traditionally on that night, Germans like to have dinner in a restaurant, watch a theater performance, attend a festive dance or have a party with friends at home.



People celebrating at home usually observe old German traditions. At midnight, they wish each other the very best for the new year, propose a toast and then go outside to shoot firecrackers. This noise-making tradition goes back to former times when people wanted to scare away evil demons so they could not do any harm to them in the coming year.

Another custom is to give little pigs, chimney sweepers, horseshoes or four-leaf clovers made of marzipan, chocolate, wood or porcelain. These symbols are good luck charms.

In ancient times, when people still believed in gods, they made sacrifices. They brought eggs, chickens and pigs to the altars hoping the gods would treat them nicely and send them rain for their vegetables on the fields and not too much snow in winter.

The horseshoe originates in a time when farmers used horses to plow their fields. In those times, horseshoes were put above the door to protect the family from fire and lightning.

The chimney-sweeper frees the way to the top of soot and dirt and brings fresh wind. Also, with the cleaning of the chimney, the chimney sweeper banned the danger of fires and therefore was seen as lucky.

The four-leaf clover is supposed to bring luck but only when found and not searched for. The clover is known to have the power of luck because it is so scarce. Also, it can be looked at as a salutary cross. Besides a Christian symbol, it was seen as a Celtic cross, which was the sign for protection. In general, the four-leaf clover is a world symbol, showing the four directions and combining the four elements. It is said to prevent strokes of fate, raise students' efficiencies and be advantageous for gamblers.

Another custom is to melt lead, pour it into water and wait to see what designs come out. Each design has a different meaning for the future. The lead can be bought in a package together with a list telling what each design or symbol means.

Traditions continue into the first day of the new year. It is said that people shouldn't get up late on New Year's Day, because this will guarantee they sleep poorly all year long and have bad dreams.

On New Year's Day, children will receive huge pretzels, called "Neujahrsbretzel," and in many villages in the KMC, people will go from door to door wishing their neighbors a Happy New Year and being rewarded with a shot to drink.

Throughout the following days after New Year's, the phrase "Prost Neujahr" can be heard whenever people meet again for the first time that year. It means a toast to the new year and good luck.

Photo by Kyle Flaugher

USAR Family Programs director arrives at 7th CSC

James Mandley, the Army Reserve Family Programs director for the 7th Civil Support Command, dives right into the position that's been vacant for almost a year. Mr. Mandley, who arrived Dec. 5, intends to create a community in which everyone knows the "who," "where" and "how" of family programs.

"I want to saturate the community with awareness of the family service programs," Mr. Mandley said.

The 7th CSC is the only Army Reserve command in Europe and has family members spread throughout the region, which requires Mr. Mandley to travel in order to meet the families' needs. Mr. Mandley joins the 7th CSC from Korea, and his wife, Annette, will arrive here after the new year.

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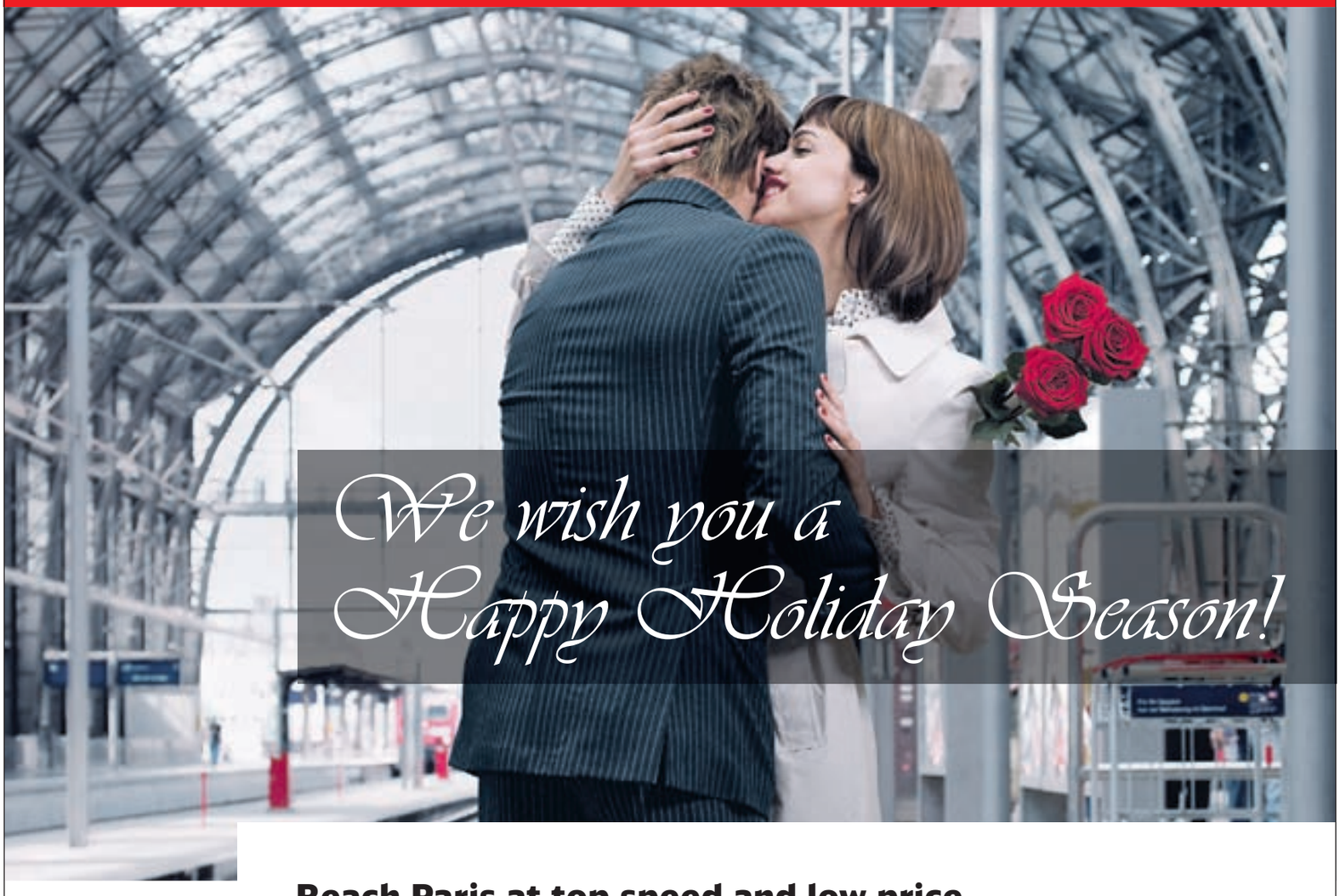

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Adam and Asher Joy enjoy the opening day of the Vipiteno/Sterzing Christmas market Nov. 26 in Italy.

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Bruce and Auraiwan Chojnacki take in the view on the Zugspitze Nov. 28 in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany. The Zugspitze is the highest mountain in Germany with an elevation of 9,717 feet.

Courtesy photo

Capt. Joseph Hall visits the Leaning Tower of Pisa Nov. 27 during a trip to Pisa, Italy.

Photo by Deacon White

Olesia, Eton and Elizabeth White pose together for a photo before visiting Piazza San Marco Nov. 9 during a family vacation to Venice, Italy.

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KMC cultural highlights

Compiled by Petra Lessoing
86th Airlift Wing 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:

• NoM features: Mohn with progressive alternative rock, Straight Ahead with rock alternative, and Uhrwerk with German rock, 8 p.m. Saturday.

• Merry Christmas soul show with Stephan Flesch, Markus Ziegler and Knecht Ruprecht Band, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Tickets cost €24.

• Coppelius combines metal 'n' rock with classical instruments, 8 p.m. Dec. 29. Tickets cost €16.

• Triosence feat. Sarah Gazarek present jazz and folk world music, 8 p.m. Jan. 6. Tickets cost €13.

• Ty & Band from London present hip hop and rap, 8 p.m. Jan. 7. Tickets cost €15.

• Tobias Regner and band present pop rock, 8 p.m. Jan. 8. Tickets cost €15. Visit www.kammgarn.de or call 0631-365-2607 for details.

• Classic Soul Night with the Midnight Mover family and friends, 8:30 p.m. Mondays in the Kammgarn Cotton Club. For details, visit www.midnightmover.de.

Pfalztheater Kaiserslautern:

• "Der süsseste Wahnsinn," a comedy about two divas , in German, 7:30 p.m. today, Thursday, and Jan. 14 and 15.

• "Ein bisschen Ruhe vor dem Sturn," a comedy in German, 8 p.m. today and Dec. 30.

• "Das Portrait," an opera by Mieczyslaw Weinberg, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Wednesday, Jan. 4, 16, 21 and 26.

• "Rossini!," ballets by Stefano Gianneti with music by G. Rossini, 8 p.m. Sunday and Wednesday, and Jan. 15, 20 and 30.

• "La Bohème," an opera by Giacomo Puccini, 6 p.m. Dec. 25.

• "Die Schneekönigin," a children's play, in German, based on Christian Andersen's fairy tale, 4 p.m. Dec. 26.

• "Musicals and More," a musical concert with the Band Vanden Plas, Astrid Vosberg and Randy Diamond, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 28.

• "Schwanensee," Swan Lake, a ballett by Stefano Giannetti with music by Peter Tschaikowski, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 29.

• "The King and I," a musical by Richard Rodgers, in German, 7 p.m. Dec. 30 and 31.

• "Die 39 Stufen," the 39 Steps, a criminal comedy based on Alfred Hitchcock's story, in German, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 31. For details, call 0631-3675-209 or visit www.pfalztheater.de.

Fruchthalle Kaiserslautern:

• The German Radio Philharmonics Saarbrücken Kaiserslautern presents "Happy Christmas," a family and children's concert, 4 p.m. Saturday. Tickets cost €5 for adults and €3 for children.

• The German Radio Philharmonics Saarbrücken Kaiserslautern presents a New Year's Eve concert, "Vienna Night," with works by Franz Lehar, Otto Nicolai and Johann Strauss, 5 p.m. Dec. 31.

For details, call the Tourist Information office at 0631-265-2317.

Apostelkirche Kaiserslautern, Pariser Strasse:

• The Very Best of Black Gospel, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 29. Tickets cost €25. For details, call the Tourist Information office at 0631-265-2317 or visit www.BlackGospel-Tour.com.

Youth Center, Steinstrasse 48, Kaiserslautern:

• JUZ Allstar with 40 musicians perform, 7 p.m. Saturday. Tickets cost €6.50. For details, visit www.juz-kl.de.

Abbey Church, Otterberg:

• Christmas and Advent concert with girls' choir, 6 p.m. Sunday. Tickets cost €12 at the door.

Stadthalle, Landstuhl:

• "Swinging Christmas" with Joe Wulf and the Gentlemen of Swing, 8 p.m. Saturday. Tickets range from €19.50 to €28.

• The grand Verdi and Puccini Gala features highlights from Aida, Nabucco, La Bohème, Rigoletto and other operas, 8 p.m. Jan. 13. Tickets cost €19.50 to €28. For details, call 06371-923444 or visit www.stadthalle-landstuhl.de.

Ramstein-Miesenbach, Haus des Bürgers:

• Music Theater Lodz presents a New Year's concert with works by Johann Strauss, 8 p.m. Jan. 9. Tickets cost €25 to €33.

• The London West End Gala presents "Best of Musicals," 8 p.m. Jan. 14. Tickets cost €33 to €40.

For details, call 06371-592-220 or visit www.hausdesbuergers.de.

Nationaltheater Mannheim, am Goetheplatz:

• "Hänsel und Gretel," an opera for children by Engelbert Humperdinck, 6 p.m.Wednesday and 7 p.m. Dec. 27.

• "La Traviata," an opera by Guiseppe Verdi, in Italian, with German subtitles, 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Miscellaneous

• Kaiserslautern, ice-skating rink in event hall on Gartenschau area open through Feb. 13. Skating hours are 9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 3 p.m., 4 to 6 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.

• Rodenbach, Glühwein hike starts noon Saturday (read article on Page 15).

• Kaiserslautern-Siegelbach, Zoo, Christmas hike, a guided tour through the zoo, 2:30 p.m. Dec. 26.

• Kottweiler-Schwanden, 38th International New Year's Eve Run, 2 p.m. Dec. 31 at local sports club.

Christmas markets

• Kaiserslautern, near Stiftskirche and on Schillerplatz, and in Fruchthalle, through Wednesday. New Year's market on Stiftsplatz and Schillerplatz opens again Dec. 27 to 30.

• Winnweiler, Christkindl market opens 4 p.m. today; stores open until 10 p.m.

• Deidesheim, Landau, Pirmasens, Bernkastel-Kues/Mosel, today through Sunday.

• Bad Münster am Stein-Ebernburg, Freinsheim, Saturday and Sunday.

• Neustadt/German Wine Street, through Tuesday.

• Ludwigshafen, Heidelberg, Trier, through Wednesday.

• Mainz, Mannheim, Saarbrücken, Stuttgart, Wiesbaden,Worms, Rüdesheim, through Thursday.

• Speyer, through Jan. 6.

• Colmar, France and Strasbourg, France, through Dec. 31.

Flea markets

• Kaiserslautern, Opel parking lot, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

• Bad Dürkheim, Saline (salt-works), 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

• Bad Dürkheim, Salierhalle, second-hand fashion market, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

• Metz, France, Parc des Expositions, 6 a.m. to noon, Jan. 8.

Antique markets

• St. Ingert, Alte Schmelz-Werkhalle, Saturday.

• Dreieich-Offenthal, Phillipp-Köppen-Halle, Sunday.

For more information, visit www.troedlerundsammeln.de.

Courtesy photo

Christmas market in Otterberg

Otterberg holds this year's last Christmas market Saturday. Vendors and food booths as well as a stage are set up near the Abbey Church. The group Feel the Music opens the market with gospel songs at 4:30 p.m. At 5 p.m. the tower brass band from Abbey Church can be heard. Senior citizens then perform a dance on stage and the band Soundvision presents its repertoire until 9 p.m.

Kaiserslautern HAPPENINGS

DECEMBER EVENTS

KAZABRA CLUB

Holiday Bingo

Dec. 19, 3-6 p.m.

End the year with a cheer as four guaranteed $1000 games are played. The early bird bonanza game begins at 2 p.m with doors opening at 1 p.m.

ARMSTRONG'S CLUB

Old School R&B Night

Dec 18, 9 p.m. - 2 a.m.

Dance the night away to all your favorite hits.

Kaiserslautern Community Activity Center (KCAC)

A Visit from Santa

Dec. 17, 3-6 p.m.

Bring the entire family and have photos taken with Santa under the Christmas tree. For more information call 483-6505 or 0631-411-6505.

LANDSTUHL CLUB

Bldg. 3780, Landstuhl Post

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FMWR ONE STOP

Landstuhl, Bldg. 3810

(located inside the Library)

Purchase VAT forms, enroll your children in Child, Youth & School Services, book Army Outdoor Rec. adventures and services, get information about conference and special event spaces and much, much more!

KLEBER FITNESS CENTER

Saturday Morning Spin

9-11 a.m.

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KAISERSLAUTERN MAIN LIBRARY

Scrapbooking

Dec. 18, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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OUTDOOR RECREATION

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Army Outdoor Recreation offers a variety of trips every week! Check out what's scheduled for rest of December. Full schedules for December and January are available online:

December:

18	Cologne Christmas Market
18	Glacier Ski Express
18	Prague Express
19	Strasbourg Christmas Market, France
22	Afterwork Heidelberg Christmas Market
22	Afterwork Ski Lessons at Snowhall, Amneville, France
23-26	Christmas in Garmisch Ski Weekend
23-26	Christmas in Interlaken Ski Weekend, Switzerland
26	Ski Express, Feldberg, Germany
30-2	New Year's Eve in Paris
30-2	New Year's Eve in Prague
30-2	New Year's Eve in Interlaken

Rental equipment is available for mountain biking, canoeing, camping, skiing, backyard games, organizational days, and other events and special occasions. Services include equipment repair and personalized adventure vacation planning. Army Outdoor Recreation, Bldg. 2905, on Pulaski Barracks. Call 493-4117 or 0631-3406-4117.

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Warm up with a Glühwein Hike Saturday

After the great success of the Culinarious Hike in September with an estimated 8,000 participants, Rodenbach will sponsor a Glühwein Hike starting at noon Saturday.

The event is under the auspices of the Weilerbach Union Community mayor, Anja Pfeiffer-Matheis, and the Rodenbach mayor, Georg Reuss.

During the hike, participants will wander through winter wonderlands and enjoy traditional German and European winter meals. Hikers will have the choice of grilled wild boar, salmon Finland style, Oma's dampfnudeln (sweat yeast dumplings), noodles with ham and sauerkraut, meat dumplings with horse radish sauce and other winter meals and snacks. Besides regular glühwein, there will be blueberry glühwein, apple cider with winter spices and traditional vintners punch.

To accommodate participants' requests, the walking distance has been reduced.

Starting at 5 p.m., a disc jockey will heat up the legendary "Tunnel Party" and hot, sippy cocktails will be served.

Organizers will offer a pass at a small cost, which will provide hikers with a glühwein cup they can keep. The pass and cup will allow hikers to buy the glühwein at a reduced price.

Courtesy photo

Glühwein Hike participants warm up along the route by drinking a cup of glühwein. The Glühwein Hike will take place at noon Saturday in Rodenbach.

Parking will be available on Hans-Geiger-Strasse in the industrial area called "Industriegebiet Nord," right on B270/L367 coming from Vogelweh to Weilerbach.

The hiking route is stroller friendly. Children and dogs are welcome. For additional information, including a flyer in German and English and details on participating restaurants and wineries, visit www.kulinarische-wanderung.de.

Organizers recommend attending the event with a designated driver.

(Courtesy of Event Team)

Kaiserslautern HAPPENINGS

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE

Basic Parenting for New Parents
Jan. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
This class will be held Jan. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Bldg. 2917, Pulaski Barracks and begins with the immediate recovery period following childbirth. This class provides new parents with knowledge on such topics as basic baby care, bonding and attachment, what to expect after you bring your baby home and how to comfort a crying baby. Practical experience is provided with the use of life size dolls. To register call 0631-3406-4058.

Daddy Boot Camp
Jan. 10, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

All new dads are invited to Daddy Boot Camp, Bldg. 2917, 2nd Floor, Pulaski Barracks. Daddy Boot Camp is an interactive way for new dads to get the 'need to know' stuff to build strong bonds with their newborns or young children. Dads will learn important skills and pick up vital information – from packing diaper bags to taking care of Mom! Participants will get firsthand experience from a veteran dad; get the basics about taking care of their babies and developmental milestones; get answers to parenting questions from the perspective of a father and share personal challenges and solutions. To register call 0631-3406-4066.

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"Stitch" shares life experience with Soldiers

by Rick Scavetta
U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern

Ultimate Fighting Championship cutman Jacob "Stitch" Duran shared memories from his unique life and career during a Dec. 9 event at the Daenner Kaserne chapel in Kaiserslautern.

Mr. Duran focused on the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle, emphasizing awareness of suicide prevention and prevention of drug and alcohol abuse. When people have problems, they show it, Mr. Duran said.

"If you look into a fighter's eyes, if you look in any person's eyes, it will tell you everything," he said.

Courtesy photo

Soldiers watch as Jacob "Stitch" Duran wraps U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Jessup's hands during a Dec. 9 suicide awareness briefing in Kaiserslautern.

The event began with Lisa Velez, the Army garrison's suicide prevention program coordinator, offering a briefing on the signs to look for in people considering suicide and the importance of safety druing the holiday season.

Mr. Duran told the Soldiers about working as a child in California migrant camps where he worked in farm fields, dreaming about becoming a baseball player.

He ended up joining the U.S. Air Force and served in Thailand, where he was introduced to kickboxing. Back in the states, he continued to train and began teaching — eventually opening his own kickboxing school.

Mr. Duran then learned how to be a "cutman" — the valued professional who fighters count on to fix cuts. He moved into the boxing world and learned the art of wrapping fighters' hands. He's worked with many boxers, including Mike Tyson, and had roles in movies.

He currently works with boxers Andre Ward and the Klitschko brothers, among others. In 2001, Mr. Duran became a cutman for UFC, working with most of the top UFC fighters.

After his chat, Mr. Duran wrapped the hands of U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Jessup. Mr. Duran also signed autographs, posed for snapshots with fans and gave away a few copies of his new book, "From the Fields to the Garden."

A day earlier, Mr. Duran visited with troops at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, including Soldiers injured in Afghanistan.

Mr. Duran's briefing, which counted for Soldiers' mandatory suicide prevention awareness training, was a great way to get Soldiers' attention, said Spc. Nicholas Philips, a mechanic from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command.

"It really caught my interest, better than the usual PowerPoint," Specialist Philips said.

A huge UFC fan, Specialist Philips, of Gardnerville, Nev., grew up wrestling and has won two Army combatives tournaments. He enjoyed hearing about Mr. Duran's life but also took away tips to keep his comrades from taking their lives, he said.

"There are a lot of little signs that people often overlook that could prevent a suicide," he said. "The more the Army tells us about this, the more we can catch on to those signs with our peers."

Harlem Globetrotters perform on Ramstein

***LEFT:** Harlem Globetrotter Hammer Harrison gives his teammate Cheese Chisholm a lift during a Military Holiday tour Dec. 8 on Ramstein. The tour, which was made possible by Navy Entertainment and Armed Forces Entertainment, will feature 11 games on U.S. military bases in five countries: Germany, Italy, Greece, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. The Globetrotters are celebrating their 85th year entertaining audiences around the world.* **BELOW:** *The Harlem Globetrotters perform for military members and their families during their ninth Military Holiday tour.*

Photos by Senior Airman Brittany Nicole Perry

Wheelchair basketball in Kaiserslautern

The next match of the 1. FCK Rolling Devils takes place Saturday in Kaiserslautern. This is the quarterfinal of this year's DRS Cup.

The Rolling Devils, who participated this season for the first time in the German league (Regionalliga), managed to qualify for the quarterfinals through sensational victories against teams from the first and second division. Because of these victories, the Rolling Devils belong, for the first time, to the group of the best eight teams in Germany.

In the upcoming match, the FCK Rolling Devils will face off against the Mainhatten SkyWheelers (a first league team), and the Rolling Devils wheelchair basketball team from Kaiserslautern needs your support.

The game takes place at 3:30 p.m. Saturday in the sports hall of the Technical University in Kaiserslautern (Paul-Ehrlich-Straße Geb 28, 67663 Kaiserslautern).

DJ Tower and the Kaiserslautern Pikes' cheerleaders will also be in attendance. Admission to the game is free.

Furthermore, the Rolling Devils invite anyone who is interested — disabled or not disabled — to try out for wheelchair basketball themselves. Sports wheelchairs will be provided.

Training for those who are interested takes place from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. every Friday in the gymnasium of the Technical University in Kaiserslautern.

Wheelchair basketball stands for dynamism, speed and body control and is still considered to be the most popular sport for wheelchair users.

Wheelchair basketball is a team sport and discipline of the Paralympics as well as European and world championships.

In Germany for some time now, people who are not disabled have been playing the game, which affects the integration of disabled people in society in a very positive way.

The rules are largely those of normal basketball.

(Courtesy of 1. FCK Rolling Devils)

Over 30 basketball league

	W-L
786th FSS	2-0
521st AMOW	3-1
86th CC	2-1
86th SFS	3-2
86th MDG	2-2
786th CES	2-2
569th USFPS	1-2
690th NSS	1-3
603rd ACOMS	1-3
21st OWS	0-10

Eastern conference standings

	W-L
721st APFS	4-0
569th USFPS	4-0
786th FSS	4-1
86th VRS	4-1
603rd AOC	3-1
86th OSS	2-3
86th SFS	2-2
1st CBCS	2-2
86th CS	1-3
Team 13	0-0
Det 1, 460	0-5
690th NSS	0-4
450th IS	0-4

Western conference standings

	W-L
86th MXG	6-0
86th CS (1)	5-0
21st OWS	5-0
786th CES	4-2
721st AMXS	2-3
886th CES	2-3
86th MDSS	2-3
86th LRS	1-4
37th AS	1-4
Team 12	0-0
435th SFS	0-4
86th MUNS	0-5

Winter PT testing

All fitness assessments conducted by the 786th Force Support Squadron are conducted IAW weather guidelines established in AFI 36-2905, Fitness Program, reference paragraphs A8.2.6. and A8.2.14.

To meet the established AFI guidelines during winter months, fitness testing will be conducted indoors at the Ramstein Southside Fitness Center (21 laps around the main basketball court) and the Southside Fitness Center Annex (23 laps around the court).

During days when weather conditions allow for outdoor testing, the aerobic component of the test will be administered outdoors.

Currently, there is a backlog of approximately 450 Airmen whose fitness tests were canceled due to winter weather.

The 786th FSS is prepared to conduct mass outdoor testing for these members when and if temperatures allow. These members are invited to schedule through their UFPMs for any available indoor testing time. Notification of mass outdoor testing will be provided as early as possible (no later than 24 hours prior) based on the weather forecast.

For details, call 2nd Lt. John Prince at 480-1737.

Swimming pool hours

The Azur public swimming pool in Ramstein-Miesenbach will be closed Dec. 24, 25 and 31 and Jan. 1.

Opening hours are 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27, 28, 29 and 30, and Jan. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7; and from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, 8 and 9.

Prenatal Fitness Classes

The Landstuhl Fitness Center offers Prenatal Fitness Classes from 11 a.m. to noon every Tuesday and Thursday. This class offers cardio, resistance training and gentle stretching for expectant and new mothers. The Landstuhl Fitness Center is located on Landstuhl Post, Bldg. 3720.

For more information, call 486-7172 or 06371-86-7172.

Pikes team needs coaches

The Kaiserslautern Pikes are in need of coaches for the upcoming 2011 season. We are currently looking for position coaches with the senior team and a head coach for the flag football team. Experience is not necessary. We are just looking for some enthusiastic people who want to help the organization. If interested, contact Jason Nowlin at nowlin.jason@gmail.com.

Saturday Morning Spin

The Kleber Fitness Center offers a Saturday Morning Spin Class from 9 to 11 a.m. in Bldg. 3235. Purchase a two-hour session for only $4 or $30 for a book of 10 sessions that can be used toward any spin class at any Kaiserslautern fitness center. Call 483-7610 or 0631-411-7610 for more information.

Parent Exercise Room

The Landstuhl Fitness Center brings you an exercise room for parents that features the latest in cardio equipment along with a play area for children to safely play or watch movies while you work out.

The Parent Exercise Room is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekends and holidays.

For more information, call 486-7172 or 06371-86-7172.

Zumba classes

Enjoy the hot sounds of Cuban music with this new class. Landstuhl classes are open to families (Family includes one adult and up to three children, ages 3 and up) and adults:

Family classes take place from 11 a.m. to noon Mondays and Wednesdays in Bldg. 3720 at the Landstuhl Fitness Center. Children over 3 years old are welcome. For details, call 486-7172 or 0631-86-7172.

Kleber classes for adults take place from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Bldg. 3235 at the Kleber Fitness Center. For details, call 483-7610 or 0631-411-7610. For more information, call the gym or visit www.mwrgermany.com.

Tai-Chi at ROB

Center your mind and bring awareness to your body with Tai Chi from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes are $8 each or $40 for a book of eight.

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Gymnastics Classes

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TODAY - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 11 a.m., 1:45 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
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My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

SATURDAY - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m.

MONDAY - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m.
Secretariat (PG) noon, 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

TUESDAY - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 11:15 a.m., 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m.
Secretariat (PG) noon, 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

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My Soul To Take (R) 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m.
Secretariat (PG) noon, 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

DEC. 24 - **Tron: Legacy (PG-13)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m.
How Do You Know? (PG-13) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
Life As We Know It (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
A Christmas Carol (PG) 11:45 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 5:45 p.m.

Gateway Cineplex will be closed Dec. 25 for Christmas.

DEC. 26 - **Tron: Legacy (PG-13)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
How Do You Know? (PG-13) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
Life As We Know It (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
The Social Network (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

DEC. 27 - **Tron: Legacy (PG-13)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
How Do You Know? (PG-13) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
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DEC. 28 - **Tron: Legacy (PG-13)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
How Do You Know? (PG-13) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
Life As We Know It (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
The Social Network (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.

DEC. 29 - **Tron: Legacy (PG-13)** 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
How Do You Know? (PG-13) 11:15 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m.
Life As We Know It (PG-13) 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:15 p.m.

DEC. 30 - **Life As We Know It (PG-13)** 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:15 p.m.
The Social Network (PG-13) 11:45 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m.
Marmaduke (PG) noon, 2:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m.

Galaxy Theater (Vogelweh)

TODAY - **Secretariat (PG)** 4 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 7 p.m.

SATURDAY - **The Tourist (PG-13)** 4 p.m.
My Soul To Take (R) 7 p.m.

SUNDAY - **The Tourist (PG-13)** 4 p.m.
Case 39 (R) 7 p.m.

Galaxy Theater will be closed Monday through Thursday.

DEC. 24 - **Life As We Know It (PG-13)** 3 p.m.
This Christmas (PG-13) 7 p.m.

DEC. 25 - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 3 p.m.
The Social Network (PG-13) 7 p.m.

DEC. 26 - **The Chronicles of Narnia (PG)** 4 p.m.
Salt (PG-13) 7 p.m.

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» To see the movie schedules for the week of Dec. 31 to Jan. 6, visit www.kaiserslauternamerican.com and click on "movies."

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In Digital 3D: Tron Legacy (PG13)- Fri 17:45, 20:15, 22:30, Sat 15:45, 18:00, 20:15, 22:30, Sun 15:45, 18:00, 20:15, Mon - Wed 18:15, 20:30

In Digital 3D: SAW 3D (R)- Sat 22:30

Due Date (R)- Sat & Sun 13:30, Mon 16:30, Wed 17:00

Little Fockers (PG13)-Wed 18:00, 20:30

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Tron: Legacy (PG-13) — Sam Flynn is haunted by the mysterious disappearance of his father Kevin Flynn, a man once known as the world's leading video game developer. When Sam investigates a strange signal sent from the old Flynn's Arcade — a signal that could only come from his father — he finds himself pulled into a digital world where Kevin has been trapped for 20 years. With the help of Quorra, father and son embark on a life-and-death journey across a visually-stunning cyber universe — a universe created by Kevin that has become far more advanced with never-before-imagined vehicles, weapons, landscapes and a villain who will stop at nothing to prevent their escape.

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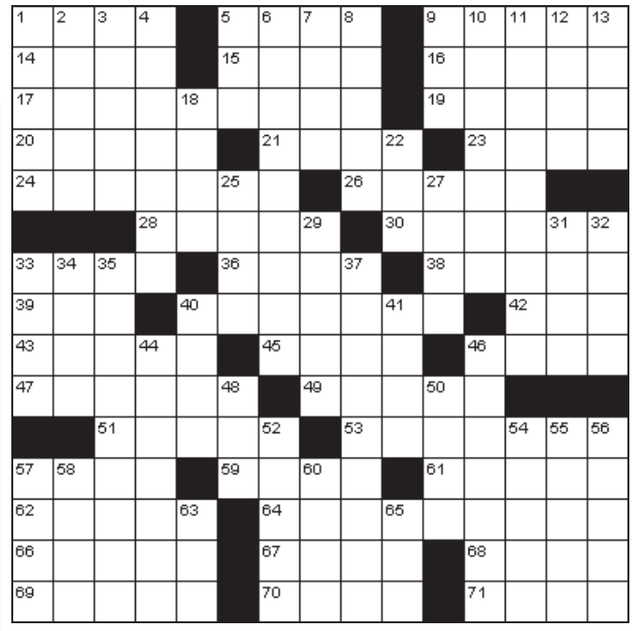

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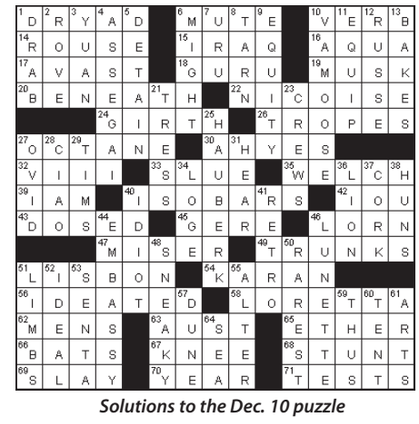
ACROSS
1 Bikini tops
5 Electrical units
9 Plain people
14 Poet Whitman
15 Stand in line
16 Event for those who know the ropes
17 Free
19 One on the run
20 Dame preceder
21 Secluded valley
23 They go in pens
24 Hooded jackets
26 "The best __ to come"
28 Get together
30 Audacious
33 Soviet inits.
36 Okla. neighbor
38 "__ Work It Out"
39 Gloating cry
40 Establish clearly
42 __ loss for words
43 1942 Disney film
45 Give out meagerly
46 Incandescence
47 Addison's literary partner
49 Novelist Cather
51 Olfactory property
53 Held on to
57 Qatar's capital
59 Actress Mazar
61 Bow on the screen
62 "My Cherie __"
64 Antiquated
66 Ankle bones
67 May school event, often
68 Laboratory rodents
69 Coughed up
70 Prepares to feather
71 Stovetop items

DOWN
1 Safari boss
2 Betray, in a way
3 __ the good
4 Ear bone
5 Take credit?
6 Paved area for parking
7 Small arachnid
8 Pens and needles
9 Declaration of puppy love?
10 "Tartuffe" dramatist
11 Twin
12 Try to obtain
13 __ de combat
18 Noggin
22 Trip instigator
25 Singer Dee
27 Bored response
29 Provide funding for
31 Alliance since 1949
32 Chew
33 Male swans
34 Powwow
35 Fail to reach a goal
37 Lawyer in London
40 Fortune
41 Place for drawing?
44 Since
46 Old-time lighter
48 Outer limit
50 Add liquor to
52 Lure
54 Barbecue site
55 Standing
56 Hamlet's compatriots
57 Android on the Enterprise
58 Mideast sultanate
60 Cold wind along the Adriatic Sea
63 Disencumber
65 Pinafore letters



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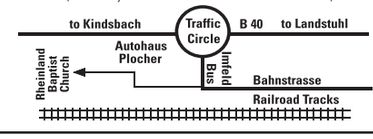

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Liturgical Advent Services
Soup Supper, 1800 and Worship, 1900
Ramstein South Chapel
Friday, 24 December:
Combined Protestant
Christmas Eve Service
Ramstein North Chapel, 1900
Liturgical Family Christmas Eve Worship
Ramstein South Chapel, 1900
Liturgical, Candle Light
Christmas Eve Service
Ramstein South Chapel, 2245
Saturday, 25 December:
Liturgical Protestant Christmas Day Service
Ramstein South Chapel, 1000
Friday, 31 December:
Vogelweh Gospel Service
New Year's Eve
Watch Night Service
Vogelweh Chapel, 2230

Catholic Community

(Holy Family Parish)
Friday, 24 December:
Christmas Vigil Mass
Ramstein North Chapel, 1700
Christmas Vigil Mass
Vogelweh Chapel, 1700
Christmas Midnight Mass
Ramstein North Chapel, 2400
Saturday, 25 December:
Christmas Morning Mass
Ramstein North Chapel, 1000
Saturday, 1 January:
Holy Day of Obligation - Mary, Mother of God
Ramstein North Chapel, 1000

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Friday, 24 December
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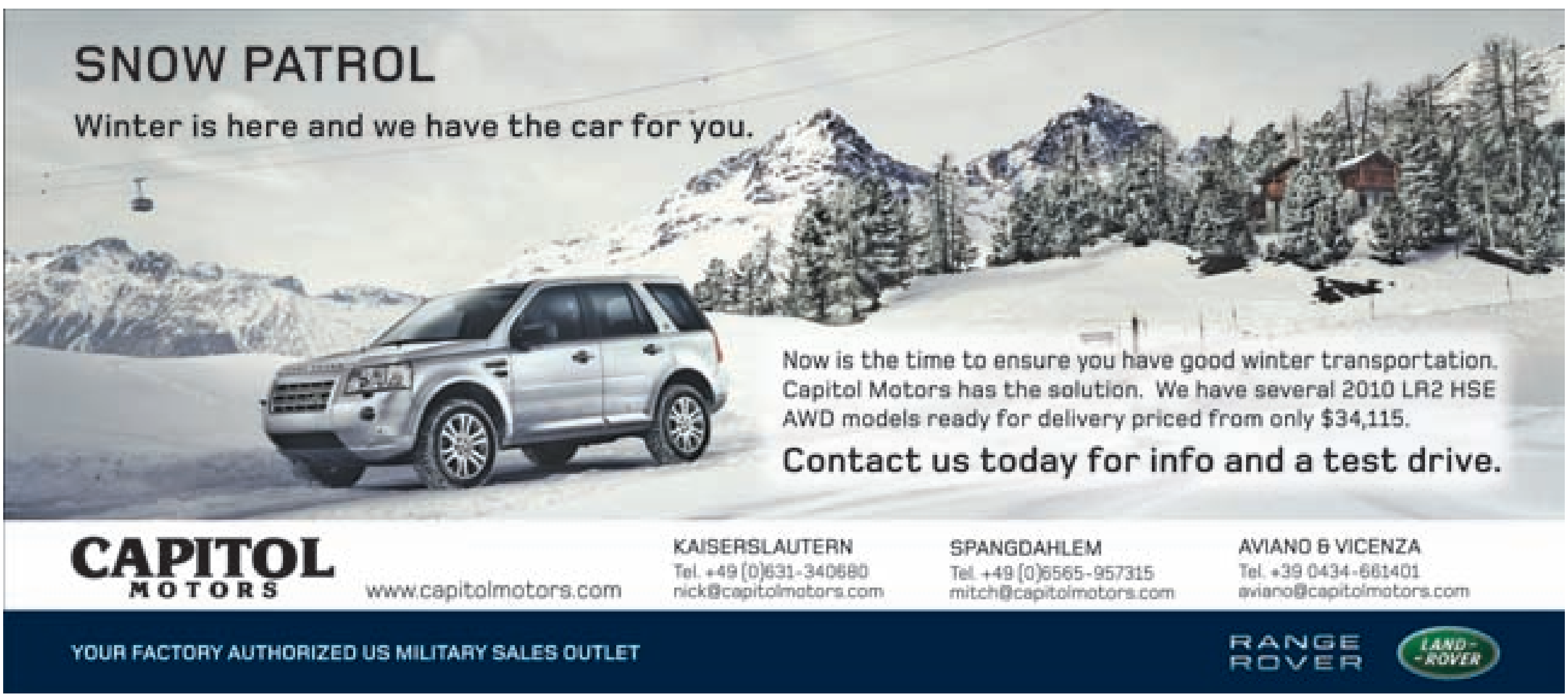

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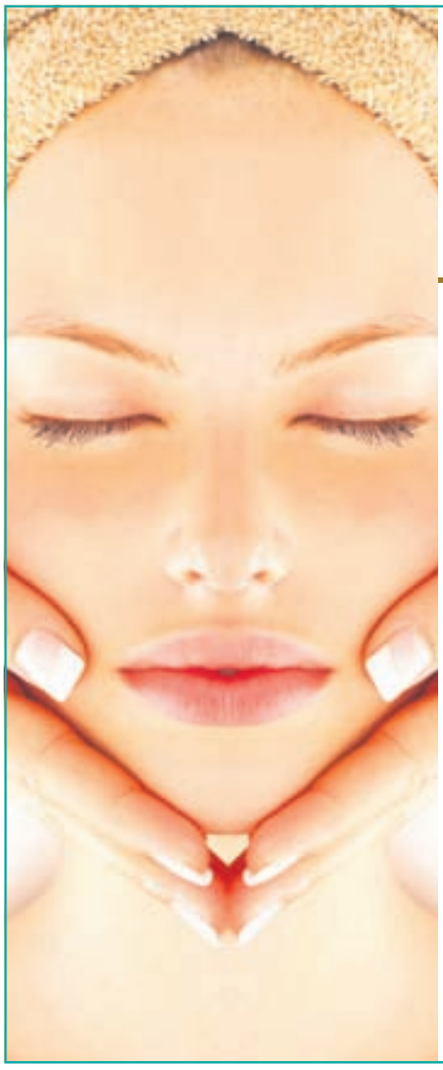

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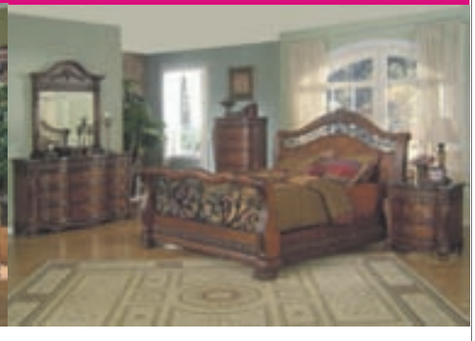

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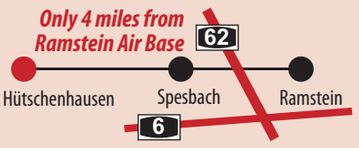

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