



Schweinfurt Dispatch

Serving the Military Community of Schweinfurt

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USAREUR welcomes new commander

U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs Office

HEIDELBERG, Germany-- United States Army Europe welcomed its 34th commanding general, Gen. Carter F. Ham, during a ceremony on the Campbell Barracks parade field here.

Gen. John Craddock, commanding general of U.S. European Command, officiated at the ceremony.

"To Carter Ham, and Christi, congratulations, welcome aboard. I don't think there could have been a better choice or a more perfect fit for this job," Craddock said. "(Ham) understands taking care of Soldiers and families, the turbulence, the challenges, the sacrifice that we ask, and he has the credentials and experience to bring that to U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army."

Ham said his only regret as he assumed command was that his wife, Christi, wasn't present.

"Those of you who know her know that she is by far the better half of the Ham team, and I look forward to her arrival soon," Ham said.

Craddock and Ham each offered thanks to Lt. Gen. Gary D. Speer, USAREUR deputy commanding general, for his service as acting commanding general after the previous USAREUR commander, Gen. David McKiernan, left Heidelberg in May to assume command of the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan.

"I'd like to add my personal thanks to what Gen. Craddock



Gen. Carter F. Ham, left, recently assumed command of U.S. Army Europe. Gen. John Craddock, U.S. European Command commanding general, center, and Command Sgt. Maj. Ralph Beam, interim USAREUR command sergeant major, right, participated as Ham officially accepted the unit colors. (Photo by Michael A. McAuliffe)

indicated and publicly acknowledge Lt. General Gary Speer, who has so eagerly led the USAREUR team over these past several months. As General Craddock mentioned, USAREUR hasn't missed a beat with Gary's firm hand at the helm," Ham said.

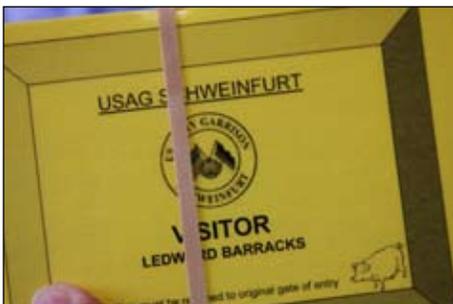
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Sponsors must follow the policy for guest sign-in

Story and photo by Mark Heeter

Seven years ago today, in the chaotic hours following the terrorist attack in America, the lines of cars attempting to access military installations around Europe stretched for miles under the scrutiny of vehicle checks.

While the long lines have largely



Visitors to Schweinfurt will be required to return temporary passes, above, to the gate of entry within 24 hours.

been reduced, vehicle searches and other measures continue, as accounting for access to installations is still a critical task for commanders. USAG Schweinfurt policy 5-10 outlines the garrison installation access program.

"The ongoing Global War on Terrorism (GWOT) requires our communities to be vigilant and prepared to face an adversary that seeks to gain insight to our operations," according to the policy.

"Installation access control measures are in place to not only combat this threat but also to ensure the safety of those who live and work in our communities," the policy reads.

For those who are able to sign guests onto Schweinfurt installations, the rules and procedures for guest passes are clearly written into the policy.

"(The passes) all say they must be returned to the gate of entry," said Gilbert

Rivera, contracting office representative with the USAG Schweinfurt.

"When the guards issue the pass, they have a record of who the sponsor was, Rivera said, noting that, in some cases, people have failed to return the guest passes.

Sponsors must return without exception, with guest, to the gate of entry within 24 hours. The policy allows guests to be re-admitted or extended, but only after returning to the gate as required.

Guests risk being barred from post, and sponsors may lose sign-in privileges, if the proper procedures – all spelled out on the back of the guest pass – are not strictly followed.

"It's all in the policy letter," Rivera said.

USAG Schweinfurt policy 5-10 is available at <http://www.schweinfurt.army.mil/sites/commander/policies/5-10.PDF>.



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Events and activities in the local communities

Tomorrow:

Youth Symphony Concert by the Youth Symphony Orchestra of Lower Franconia at the "Stadthalle" in Gerolzhofen starting at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday:

Street Music Festival "Pflasterklang" (the sound of cobble stones) downtown Schweinfurt – approximately 40 musicians and groups perform everything from jazz and folk to classic and rock in 19 locations in the pedestrian area.



Fleamarkets in:

Sennfeld

Meduna-di-Livenza-Platz, 7 a.m.

Schweinfurt

Wirsingstrasse 13, 6 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Benno-Merkle-Str 16, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Schwebheim

"Bürgerhaus" from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Grafenrheinfeld

AltmainSPORT, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Saturday:

Nachkirchweih traditional after parish festival celebration in Gochsheim Am Plan, 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday:



Hockey – Schweinfurt Mighty Dogs versus EV Weiden at the Ice Dome in Schweinfurt at 6 p.m.

Concert by the Ball Bearing Jazzband at the Hallburg near Volkach at 11 a.m.

History, Buildings & Monuments



Historical buildings and locations around Schweinfurt will offer tours discussing the history and significance of such fixtures as the Museum Altes Gymnasium, St. Johannis Kirche, and the old city wall. Tours are in

German. For more information, visit www.tag-des-offenen-denkmals.de.

Sept. 19

33rd Street festival, the largest open air festivity in Schweinfurt. Variety of music and entertainment, a program for children, special offers at local stores, in the pedestrian zone downtown Schweinfurt, 2 – 11 p.m. Continues Sept. 20.



3 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. "Geraldino and the Plomster" present a comedy rock and pop show for children ages 4–10

6 p.m. rock music by the Grooveties

7 p.m. Shooting Club will parade from Martin-Luther-Platz to the townhall

7:30 p.m. gunners from Sennfeld will fire an honor volley in front of the townhall.



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This newsletter is a command information product that places emphasis on events and activities occurring throughout the Schweinfurt and Lower Franconia areas.

Information and photos included in this

newsletter are acquired from sources that highlight events, programs, and activities in Schweinfurt and Lower Franconia.

Dates, times, locations, and the events themselves might change or be cancelled without prior notice.

To be added to the Schweinfurt Dispatch distribution list, please e-mail: mail.sft.pao@eur.army.mil.

This address can also be used to submit community slides or information on upcoming events, or you can reach the USAG Schweinfurt public affairs office by calling 354-1600/6381 or (09721) 961600/966381.



News Briefs

Gospel musical

The Gospel Service at the Ledward Chapel presents the 2008 Gospel Musical at the Ledward Chapel Saturday beginning at 6 p.m. Choirs, praise teams, soloists, and musicians from the surrounding communities are invited to come and take part. For more information call 0175-989-8113.

FRG leaders' course

With deployment just around the corner, Schweinfurt Army Community Service is offering a crash course for Family Readiness Group leaders in the Yellow Ribbon Room Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call 354-6933 for more information or to register.

Siren Testing

The city of Schweinfurt will test its emergency alert system Wednesday at 11 a.m. Sirens around the city will sound in two separate patterns, each pattern lasting approximately one minute.

Vendor bazaar

Schweinfurt Morale, Welfare, and Recreation will host a vendor bazaar at Finney Fitness Center this weekend. The bazaar opens tomorrow at noon, with hours tomorrow and Saturday from noon to 7 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Rising Star

Operation Rising Star kicks off tonight at 7 p.m. in Rohr's Diner. The contest will continue every Thursday and Friday in September, with a grand finale Sept. 26.

Fuel coupons

Those customers still holding fuel ration coupons set to expire Sept. 30 may continue to use them through Nov. 30, thanks to a deadline extension negotiated and approved by AAFES.

Fitness assessments

Fitness assessments for the Civilian Fitness program and Walk for Freedom will be held in Finney Fitness Wednesday from noon to 3 p.m. and Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 353-8234 for more.

New baby orientation

Army Community Service (ACS) offers a class just for mothers- and fathers-to-be. Attend OB Orientation at ACS Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon to become prepared for the arrival of your unborn child. For information, call 354-6933.

Smooth move seminar

Leaving the community? Army Community Service (ACS) wants to help "smooth" your transition. Attend a seminar at the Education Center Tuesday from 9 a.m. to noon to get tips on packing, shipping, moving with pets, and more. For additional information, call 354-6933.

Pool tournament

Finney Recreation Center will host a pool tournament Wednesday beginning at 6 p.m. For more information, call 353-8476.

SHIP store closed

The Schweinfurt Self Help Issue Point (SHIP) will be closed next week for annual inventory beginning Monday. The store will reopen Sept. 22 with regular hours.



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REEL TIME THEATERS

Tonight-	7 p.m.	Kit Kittredge (G)
Tomorrow-	7 p.m.	The House Bunny (PG-13)
Saturday-	4 p.m.	Wall-E (G)
	7 p.m.	The House Bunny (PG-13)
Sunday-	4 p.m.	Wall-E (G)
	7 p.m.	The House Bunny (PG-13)
Monday-	closed	
Tuesday-	closed	
Wednesday-	7 p.m.	Hancock (PG-13)

Schweinfurt three-day weather forecast

A.M.		P.M.	
	Friday Partly cloudy Lows 15 C / 59 F		Friday Partly cloudy Highs 24 C / 75 F
	Saturday Mostly cloudy Lows 12 C / 54 F		Saturday Partly cloudy Highs 17 C / 63 F
	Sunday Partly cloudy Lows 8 C / 46 F		Sunday Mostly cloudy Highs 14 C / 57 F

Source: 21st Operational Weather Squadron



- 19 SEP --Civilian Fitness Assessments, Finney Fitness Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Daddy Basic Training for new dads or dads-to-be, ACS, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call 354-6933.
- 20 SEP --Outdoor Recreation trip to Europa Park, \$10 plus 31 euro entry fee. Call 353-8080.
- Boys' and Girls' Club of America/CYS National Day for Kids, 9 a.m. to noon, Teen Center.
- 23 SEP --Celebrate Hispanic Heritage month at the Ledward Library, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Off The Wall, contemporary and R&B music, Askren Manor, 7 p.m.
- Bulk Trash pick-up, Askren Manor, Yorktown, and leased housing areas.
- Celebrate Hispanic American Month with free lunch, Ledward library, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- 24 SEP --Soldier and family appreciation day at Finney Fitness Center, noon to 8 p.m.
- Investing for Future Wealth class, Ledward ACS, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Call 354-6933.
- 25 SEP --Rising Star, Rohr's Diner, 7 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays through September. Call 354-6255.
- Breast feeding support group, Ledward ACS, noon to 1 p.m. Call 354-6933.
- Ledward library adult book club meets at 5:15 p.m. discussing "Five-quarters of the Orange."
- 26 SEP --Rising Star competition final. Come support your contestant at Rohr's Diner, 7 p.m.
- Sign up deadline for Women's Recreational Volley Ball at Finney Fitness Center.
- Asperger's and Autism support group meets, Ledward ACS, 10 a.m. to noon. Call 354-6933.
- 27 SEP --Free BOSS bus to Munich for Oktoberfest. For more information, call 353-8476.
- 28 SEP --Outdoor Recreation high ropes course, \$10, for more information call 353-8080.
- 29 SEP --ADD & ADHD support group meets, Ledward ACS, 10 a.m. to noon. Call 354-6933.
- 30 SEP --Anger Management session 1, Ledward ACS, 3 to 4:30 p.m. Call 354-6933.
- 2 OCT --Halo XBOX 360 tournament, Finney Recreation Center, begins at 6 p.m. 353-8476.
- "Catch the Spirit" aerobathon, Finney Fitness Center, 6 p.m. Register day of event.
- 3 OCT --Fall fest & community showcase, Kessler field, noon to 9 p.m.
- 4 OCT --Free transportation to the Holiday Park Hassloch. Bring Euro for admission. Call 353-8476.
- 7-8 OCT --Fittest Male/Female Contest, Finney Fitness Center, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Register day of event.
- 9 OCT --Dodgeball double elimination tournament, Finney gym, 6 p.m. Register day of event.
- 10 OCT --Registration for community basketball ends. Games start Oct. 14, Finney gym, 6 p.m.
- 13 OCT --Columbus Day, U.S. federal holiday.
- 16 OCT --"This One's For You" Boss event, Finney Fitness Center, 1 to 5 p.m. Music, food, games.
- 16-18 OCT --Community theater presents "The Game" by Louise Bryant, Abrams Center, 7 p.m.
- 18 OCT --Cancer awareness fun walk/run, 5 kilometers, begins at Kessler gym. Call 354-6735 for details.
- 23-31 OCT --Red Ribbon Week observance "Step it up: A call to action!"
- 26 OCT --End of daylight saving, turn clocks back one hour at 2 a.m.

Community 6 week outlook calendar



Welcome to America – do you have your papers? *Visa workshop coming to Schweinfurt theater*

By Mark Heeter

Several agencies, including the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) at the consulate in Frankfurt, are joining forces for a visa workshop at the Ledward Theater, Sept. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

“This is a great opportunity to talk with experts and to have the experts talk with us,” said Hal Snyder, U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt Army Community Service (ACS) director.

“It was an offer that was made,” by officials with USCIS, Snyder said, noting that ACS has a regulatory requirement as liaison for such services.

“Citizen Immigration Services (CIS) liaison assistance will be provided to families seeking guidance for the citizenship and residency application process. Upon request, the family’s documentation will be reviewed for accuracy to facilitate the citizenship process for families,” according to Army Regulation 608-1, the Army Community Service Center regulation.

The workshop topics, for those who

are about to enter the paperwork-heavy world of immigration and visas, will include policies and requirements, application procedures, petition types, required documents, and more.

“Our job is to prevent and educate and this is definitely education,” he said.

Meanwhile, he and Beate Williams, the ACS point of contact for the event, are quick to note the lead agency in the community for immigration matters is the USAG Schweinfurt Military Personnel Division (MPD).

“The experts are in building 40,” Williams said, referring to the building that houses the MPD.

“Anything that we can do to educate, and anything which helps building 40, we will do it,” Snyder added.

And “building 40” has some advice.

“If Soldiers have foreign spouses, they



need to initiate their paperwork now,” said Nico Jones, MPD customer service supervisor. “The normal process turnaround is 12 weeks to six months.”

The process for permanent resident visa – the green card – has two steps plus a medical evaluation, Jones said.

“If you say you’re (applying) now, but you’re not leaving for another year, you can have the process completed. So the U.S. consulate can put your stuff on hold until it’s time for you to DEROS,” Jones said, referring to the date eligible for return from overseas.

For information about the visa workshop, call 354-6933 or 09721-96-6933.

Author encourages Soldiers to write



Author Andrew Carroll, right, speaks with Mary and Sgt. Francis Berard of 9th Engineer Battalion after Carroll’s “What’s your story?” presentation at the Ledward Library Tuesday evening. Carroll is the critically acclaimed editor of Operation: Homecoming. (Photo by Kimberly Gearhart)

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During his remarks, Ham said, “I believe that USAREUR is on the leading edge of transforming our military. That leading role brings with it some accompanying uncertainty and unpredictability. It’s my job to work to remove some of that uncertainty.”

He concluded, “I believe the Soldiers, civilian employees and families of the United States Army Europe represent the very best of America, and I am truly honored to serve alongside them.”

Ham’s military career has included several previous USAREUR assignments, including duty as a platoon leader in Vicenza, Italy, a battalion command in Vilseck, and a senior observer/controller at what is now the Joint Multinational Readiness Center in Hohenfels. The general’s most recent assignment was at the Pentagon as director for operations, the Joint Staff.



Lernen Sie die Armee besser kennen

By Mark Heeter

The Army Family knows no boundaries – or language barriers.

The USAG Schweinfurt Army Community Service (ACS) will offer Army Family Team Building (AFTB) Level I training “auf Deutsch” in the Yellow Ribbon Room Monday through Wednesday from 5 to 8 p.m.

“We have a large local national population, whether civilians, contractors or family members,” said Sarah Small, AFTB volunteer program manager and master trainer.

AFTB, a program to introduce civilians and spouses to many aspects of Army culture, is authorized to be taught in five languages, she said, so there was a logical reason to offer the German version here in Schweinfurt – a first.

“You have some spouses, where you get to talking about benefits and things and

they really didn’t even understand that they have their Tricare. So this helps them know what’s available for them, introduces them to our customs, our traditions, how we do things,” Small said.

For Katy McClelland, AFTB program manager, the German version will go a long way toward breaking down a barrier for German civilians.

“I think it’s going to be really cool, because some spouses feel kind of alienated by the language barrier and they feel like they can’t really fit into the community as well. So this may help out with that language barrier,” McClelland said.

“We’re educating spouses about military life and how to have self-growth and professional development through AFTB classes, so not only are we helping the spouses do that, but now we can reach out to the German spouses,” she said.



McClelland

“The point is we’re trying to educate them and get them involved in the community. We really want them to feel like they’re involved and feel like they’re part of the team,” McClelland said. To register for AFTB auf Deutsch, call 354-6933 or 09721-96-6933.

Safety measures at recycle centers prevent hazards

By Sandra Wilson

Most are aware that recycling saves the environment and in order to be proper stewards of our planet, we must learn to sort and dispose correctly. The Schweinfurt military community has access to three centers in various locations for disposal of recyclables: Askren Manor, Ledward Barracks, and Conn Barracks.

“By making it easier to recycle, we hope to encourage people to do it,” said Brad Posey, Separating or Recycling Trash (or SORT) coordinator for the USAG Schweinfurt.

“For the most part, everyone is doing a good job. Pre-sorting before they come to the recycle center is very important because otherwise you waste your time and everybody else’s time,” he said.

A few rules of precaution are attached to the usage of the facilities to keep patrons safe when disposing their goods.

“It’s better that parents don’t send unaccompanied children to the recycle center,” Posey said, explaining that, according to policy, children under the age of 9 should not carry bags alone to the centers.

“They want the kids to have some maturity level so that they don’t drop the bags” somewhere other than the recycle center, said Eddi Sauer, USAG Schweinfurt garrison safety officer.

In addition, the standard operating procedure prohibits anyone to enter with a skateboard, motorbike, rollerblades, bicycle, or other similar toy, device, or vehicle.

“I remember one time seeing a little girl in there, and she was trying to walk up the steps to the (top) with rollerblades on—I mean, you are looking for disaster. If somebody falls there and breaks something, we’re going to have a lot of questions to answer,” Posey said.

In addition to safety, Posey emphasized that the recycle centers do not accept any regular trash. Regular trash should be disposed of in designated receptacles at each housing unit.

By keeping the facilities safe and free of accidents, as well as by maintaining proper usage, the garrison can help the Schweinfurt military community do a better job of saving the planet.

“We like to encourage as many people as possible to use the recycle center. Conn is the place where we can dispose of just about anything. We will help you figure out where it goes,” Posey said.

The Ledward recycle center is open Monday through Friday 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Conn Barracks recycling center hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and is closed Saturday and Sunday. The Askren center is open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.



Posey



Ready Army campaign launches worldwide

WASHINGTON—The Army is launching the Ready Army Campaign in September as part of National Preparedness Month. Ready Army is designed to prepare the entire Army family at installations and communities across the U.S. and around the world for all potential hazards, natural and man-made, that they may face.

The campaign kicks off September 18, in conjunction with the Department of Homeland Security's National Preparedness Month.

"While partnered and aligned with the Department of Homeland Security's national preparedness campaign called 'Ready,' Ready Army is specific to Army communities and is intended for use at the installation level," said James Platt, chief of the Asymmetrical Warfare Office's Protection Division.

"Quite a few products have been developed for Soldiers, civilians, and their families to inform them about all types of hazards and encouraging individual, family, and community emergency preparedness,"

he added.

"This program will educate our families on disaster preparedness and motivate them to 'Get a Kit, Make a Plan and Be Informed,' as the program's motto encourages," said Col. Jon Dahms, Chief of Planning Support in Army public affairs.

According to Patricia Powell, Ready Army spokesperson, Ready Army concepts were tested in a one-year pilot program at Fort Hood, Texas and at Army installations in Germany.

As part of an after action report provided by the Fort Hood pilot program, the Army has identified several "best practices" that other installations should consider as they launch this program at the local / installation level (see sidebar).

In addition to these best practices, some ideas for events and promotions at the installations are school activities to educate children on the need for a family plan so they know where to go and what to do in an

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Best Practices

- Secure leadership buy-in: Brief senior leadership on both garrison and mission sides, and encompassing affected area civic and community leaders.
- Have a campaign strategy ready by working closely with Morale, Welfare and Recreation and the Public Affairs Office.
- Integrate Ready Army across the installation, through a variety of outreach methods, including proclamations, brochures, promotional items, speaking engagements, and media coverage.
- Have Ready Army fact sheets available for all types of emergencies.
- Place static displays in areas of greatest outreach potential on post and in the community.

Bunny on the run: Homeless pets roam free, not safe

Story and photo
by Kimberly Gearhart

Abandoned pets are often a problem during moving season in military communities. Pets that don't travel well are sometimes "set free" to fend for themselves.

With domesticated pets, such as the newly-named "Rowdy" pictured at right, freedom can become a burden. Tame pets often are not equipped to deal with life in the wild.

"We were mowing the baseball field on Askren Manor, and she was sitting by the fence. She came right up to us," said Daniel Jones, Youth Sports program director, who is temporarily caring for the domesticated, brown and white rabbit.

Jones noted that he

considered calling the local tierheims, or animal shelters, to see if any of them could take the rabbit.

"But if it's someone's rabbit, they might not be able to get it back from the tierheim," he said.

Jones went on to say that if Rowdy's owner should recognize her, they should call Jones's office at 354-6822 or 09721-96-6822.

Many pets do not need to be abandoned or taken to the tierheim, however, as customs guidelines for pet shipments don't stop with just cats and dogs.

To determine whether your furry family member can join you on the trip back to the United States, visit www.hqusareur.army.mil/opm/pets.htm.





No Soldier stands alone in Schweinfurt

By Sandra Wilson

Last year, nearly 2,100 Army Soldiers attempted suicide, and as many as 121 Soldiers succeeded, according to Catherine Manos, the USAG Schweinfurt drug and alcohol prevention coordinator. The numbers continue to increase according to the data collected to date for 2008.

“The indications are just by the numbers. There’s a lot happening right now in the military with Afghanistan and Iraq. The community in Schweinfurt has experienced some serious, horrific events and loss. It’s an issue,” Manos said. “There’s a lot of PTSD and a lot of people recovering from painful experiences.”

Prevention awareness hits

its peak this week as a national observance to expose the reality of the increasing suicide attempts and occurrences and to show how each individual can make a difference in the lives of those affected.

USAG Schweinfurt agencies have combined their efforts to make the most effective outreach as possible.

Tomorrow, at the Main Exchange, commissary, and dining facilities, representatives will be handing out awareness materials and resources to educate the community about suicide prevention.

Resources are available for education, but it’s also essential that the community knows the faces of those they can go to when they feel alone, said Angela Hunter, health

promotion coordinator.

“Help doesn’t necessarily need to come in the form of a professional,” Manos said, as a reminder that everyone can contribute to the well-being of community members.

“Everyone within the Schweinfurt community is responsible for each other when it comes to suicide,” said Family Life Chaplain Virgil Thomas. “We’re a community—we’re here to look out for one another.”

The stress of deployment is among the long list of triggers for suicidal thoughts. The list also includes feelings of rejection, witnessing a death, abusing drugs or alcohol, feelings of isolation, and financial stressors.

“Being in uniform, we

always say, ‘Suck it up and drive on.’ Sometimes you cannot suck it up, and you do not want to drive on,” Thomas said, emphasizing to Soldiers and their leaders that it’s okay to seek help and that they won’t be penalized in any way.

“It’s not because they’re weak,” that people feel suicidal thoughts, said Manos, it’s because “they are hopeless.” And for someone to sit with them and explain that they are not alone can be a lifesaver.

Talking about suicide with someone who may be contemplating it reduces the chance that suicide will occur.

“I don’t think a suicide is ever really in secret. There are plenty of clues for people who are just paying attention,” she said.

PATRIOT DAY
REMEMBERING SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2001

This year marks the seventh since the attack on the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the thwarted attempt on the White House. Schweinfurt, as a community that personally knows what true heroes can do, honored the sacrifices of the men and women who died during the attacks, as well as those who struggled to save them—the firefighters, police, and citizen volunteers—with a prayer breakfast this morning at the Conn Community Club. (Photo by Mark Heeter)

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emergency; displays at your commissary and PX highlighting the program; emergency preparedness exercises and demonstrations highlighting the program; presentation and demonstrations by local emergency preparedness personnel and installation-sponsored safety programs.

Another key part of National Preparedness month will be the debut of the Army Disaster Personnel Accountability and Assessment System, or ADPAAS, the official Army tool for personnel accountability in the event of a natural or man-made disaster.

“Hurricane Katrina caught the services off guard with no real procedures in place to gain and maintain accountability of personnel and their family members,” said Lt. Col. Trudy Leonard, Chief of the Personnel Contingency Cell for the Army G-1. For more information on ADPAAS, visit <https://adpaas.army.mil>.

“The bottom line is that preparedness increases the resiliency of America’s fighting forces and supports Soldiers who are forward-deployed,” Leonard said.



September 12-14

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*International Vendors
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**Finney Fitness Center
Conn Barracks**
Friday & Saturday, 12-7 p.m.
Sunday, 12-4 p.m.

FREE CONCERT

For tour info, visit www.mwr-europe.com



Off the Wall
Contemporary & R&B

SEPT. 23
7 p.m.

**FINNEY FITNESS CENTER
CONN BARRACKS**

Soldier & Family

Celebration

September 24

12-8 p.m.

Conn Club

DONNY VOX BAND



Musical Guests



Rob Ryan

