



US AFRICOM Family Readiness Group

Welcome!

Happy August!!

We would like to welcome all the new families into AFRICOM.

We are still fare welling many of our families and wish them all the best!

There are many things happening within our Garrison and Stuttgart community. Please be sure to stay plugged in with our monthly newsletter.

It seems as if summer just started, but the new school year is just around the corner. Don't forget to visit child(rens) school if you have them and receive important dates and information to ensure they

start the school year off right.

Our community is comprised of personnel who represent all military service branches and status, and DoD civilians and contractor personnel.

For those who are not aware of the AFRICOM Family Readiness Group (FRG), we are open to everyone (civilians, contractors, family members and service members of all branches.

If you are interested in learning more about the AFRICOM FRG you can contact one of the

representatives identified on page 2 of this newsletter or come by and see us at our table at the USAG Stuttgart

C.A.R.E. Fair. Please see more details about the C.A.R.E. Fair on page 3.

The FRG's continued ability to support the AFRICOM community rests heavily on the selfless assistance of our volunteers.

Please keep us in mind when you are looking for opportunities.

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Special points of interest:

- Job Fair
- Health Clinic
- Youth Newcomers Orientation

Announcements

Attention: ESSO stations will be closed on Wednesday, 10 August from 4a.m. until 2p.m.

Gas cards will not work on the economy.

From the Post Office:

Due to customs requirements Express mail delivery is not guaranteed from Europe to the United States.

Also, the new Post Master is Mr. Robert Rauschenplat

Cell Phones Prohibited:

Use of hand-held is prohibited while in a motor vehicle unless the motor is turned off. The fine for talking on a cell phone is a mandatory 7-day suspension and carries 3 points on USAREUR license.

Family Readiness Group Leader

The AFRICOM Family Readiness Group is looking for a Leader.

If you are an AFRICOM spouse and looking for a worthwhile volunteer opportunity where you can make a difference, this may be for you.

The HQ Commandant is currently accepting nominations for the position from

August 8-19.

Please submit your nominee and a personal biography, not to exceed two pages in length. The biography should highlight any experience or training in Family Readiness or other like organizations/activities.

Please submit your application to the following point of contact:

AFRICOM Family Readiness

Support Assistant

Trudie Lara-Smith

trudie.larasmith@africom.mil

FAMILY READINESS GROUP VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: AFRICOM FRG Leader

RESPONSIBLE TO:

HQ Commandant

PURPOSE: Organize and lead AFRICOM FRG

JOB DESCRIPTION:

- Supports the commander's family readiness goals
- Provides overall leadership of the FRG
- Recruits other volunteers to serve on FRG committees
- Delegates FRG responsibilities to selected volunteers as committee chairpersons, or presides over their elections
- Serves as a member of the AFRICOM steering committee
- Identifies needs or unique problems of unit families
- Acts as unit FRG spokesperson for communicating family members' concerns and ideas to the HQ Commandant and provides FRG

briefs twice a month at the AFRICOM Newcomers Orientation

TIME REQUIRED: Six to eight hours a week, depending on deployment status and other scheduled activities; commitment usually duration of command

QUALIFICATIONS & SPECIAL SKILLS:

- Knowledge of family readiness programs, unit structure and procedures, and post agencies and services
- Ability to work well with members and families and persuade people to get things done

RECOMMENDED TRAINING:

- Operation READY classes
- AFTB Levels I-III
- Attend Family Program Academy (Guard and Reserve)
- Volunteer training and/or past experience

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Stuttgart Youth Newcomers Orientation

New to Stuttgart Germany, come and join other people your age!

The Stuttgart Youth Newcomers Orientation:

It is free for all youth in grades 6-12. You will see the Stuttgart City Center, visit downtown attractions, tour the military community, learn how to navigate the German Public Transportation and learn German Customs and languages.

Upcoming Dates:

July 21-22- 9a.m.-4p.m.

Aug. 11-12- 9a.m.-4p.m.

Aug. 25-26- 9a.m.-4p.m.

Sept. 15-16- 3p.m.-6p.m.

Sept. 17- 10 a.m.-4p.m.

All participants must be registered with CVS Services Parent Central Services.

Patch Barracks, Bldg 2347 2nd Floor
DSN 430-7480, CIV 0711-680-7204

Meet at The Hub
Patch Barracks Bldg 2337
DSN 430-7024, CIV 0711-680-7204

School Year 2011-2012

School Liaison Officer: Parents still need to go to the school for Final registration if the parent has registered online or during the summer. Registers before school starts. School Hours are Monday- Friday from 8a.m. - 4 p.m.

Dates to Remember:
Patch Elem.: 19 & 22 Aug. New Family Orientation: 10a.m. & 3 p.m.

29 Aug. First day of school
5 Sept. Labor Day; No School
6 Sept. First Day for Kindergarteners (Patch)



Back to School!!!

C.A.R.E Fair 2011: Connect With Your Community

The USAG Stuttgart C.A.R.E Fair will provide useful information to new and old Stuttgart Community Members. The C.A.R.E. Fair should expedite the new arrivals' integration into the Stuttgart Military Community and make them knowledgeable of their new environment, learn what all the various private organizations and agencies do, and get to know the people they need to

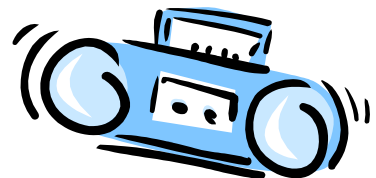
be in touch with to get involved.

Saturday, August 20th

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Panzer Exchange

Point of Contact: Martha Povich
430-2110/www.stuttgartmwr.com



On this shrunken globe, men can no longer live as strangers.
~ Adlai E. Stevenson

USAG Stuttgart ACS and ACAP Present: Community Job Fair

The Community Job fair is open to all ID Card Holders.

Come out and meet employers, learn about jobs and network.

Employers are:

- DoD Contractors
- AAFES/Vendors
- Banking
- CYS

- CPAC
- NAF

Please bring your resumes ready to hand out for job opportunities and dress for the job you want.

Need help with your resume contact the Employment Readiness Program at Army Community Serves at

431-3363/07031-15-3363 Room 202

Upcoming Resume Class:

Thursday, 25 August 1-4:30p.m.

Job Fair:

Wednesday, 7 September

10 a.m.- 4p.m.

Panzer Kaserne, Bldg 2915

Free Show!




The Sesame Street/USO Experience for Military Families



Sesame Street and the USO are bringing the furry, fuzzy and friendly muppets to military families around the world.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- » Introducing Katie, a military kid on Sesame Street who is moving to a new place
- » Free admission for military families and their children
- » Mini-show and giveaways
- » For tour information visit www.sesamestreet.org/TLC and www.uso.org

DATE:	TIME:	PLACE:
August 13	Doors open 1:30 p.m. Show starts 2:00 p.m.	Patch Fitness Center Gym
August 13	Doors open 4:30 p.m. Show starts 5:00 p.m.	Patch Fitness Center Gym
August 14	Doors open 1:30 p.m. Show starts 2:00 p.m.	Patch Fitness Center Gym

USO Worldwide Strategic Partners



Designate 11381 through the CFC

The 9th International Firework Competition- Night of the Flaming Stars

The Night of the Flaming Stars, 19-21 August in Ostfildern's Scharnhauser Park.

The three countries competing this year are United States, China and Greece.

This is the first time the U.S. has participated and will be represented by Walt Disney Parks, who has never performed outside their park.



The schedule is as follows:

Greece performs Friday night 19 Aug.

China performs Saturday night 20 Aug.

United States performs Sunday night 21 Aug.

The event opens Friday and Saturday at 6p.m.

Sunday at 4p.m.

Fireworks start at 10:30p.m. every night.

The country represented will be hosting entertainment, food and other booths.

Tickets can be bought at Marktkauf (grocery store) in Sindelfingen Breuningerland. 4 Euro's. Adults are 13 and kids 6-11 are 6 Euro if you don't buy early. Go now, save 3 Euro's. Family tickets are 29 (2 adults and your own kids)

<http://www.flammende-sterne.de>

USO Mobile Canteen/Salsa Dance Classes!

Come Join us for a Free Lunch!

Mobile Canteen is back serving hot dogs, chips, drinks and all the fixins"

Locations for the mobile canteen

Kelley Commissary

Tuesday, 30 August

11a.m.- 2p.m.

Tours department onsite (credit cards accepted)

Panzer Kaserne Exchange

Wednesday, 31 August

11a.m.- 2 p.m.

AFN will be on location for our lunch

Enter the free raffle to win " Bands for arms" the bands are made out of military uniforms.

Donated dishes and desserts are appreciated.

Salsa Dance Classes

Wednesday evenings 7-10p.m.

In the USO lounge

Steps for Beginners, Partner Work, Patterns and Steps and Open Dance

Classes are FREE, singles welcome-no partner required

Bring water and a healthy snack

Health Clinic

Stuttgart Health Clinic will close in observance of the following training and federal holiday.

Friday, 12 August (Sports and School Physicals Only)

26 Aug. (O-Day)

02 and 05 September are training holidays.

The Patch Health Clinic does not have an Emergency Room. Please do not go to the Health Clinic call 112 or the MP station to call an ambulance.

MP Desk- Patch

430-5262/0711-680-5262



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▶ Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.
~ Henry Ford



KELLEY CLUB

Coming up

on Tuesday, 30th of AUGUST 2011:

Customer Appreciation Day

Discount Lunch Buffet

5 Euro !! – all you can eat, including Beverages
(Of course: Our Burger Station + Salad Bar is always available)

on Tuesday, 13th of September 2011:

"Pizza & Pasta & Basta!" – Lunch Buffet

from 1100 until 1400

5 Euro !! – all you can eat, including Beverages
(Of course: Our Burger Station + Salad Bar is always available)

on Tuesday, 20th of September 2011:

Special Lunch Buffet of the Month

"SWISS / SWITZERLAND"

Enjoy a culinary journey through the variety
of dishes from our nice neighbor's.
from 1100 until 1400

\$ 9.99 – all you can eat, including Beverages
(Of course: Our Burger Station + Salad Bar is always available)

Reservations & contact information:

Nicky@RB-Kelley-Club.de

DSN 421-1660, CIV 0711-729-1660, 0711-720-70-694

www.stuttgartmwr.com

Important Numbers/Websites

Base Operator:

0711-680-113 or DSN: 113

Military Police Desk:

0711-680-5261/5262

Police-110

Ambulance-112

Poison Control:

001-800-222-1222

American Red Cross:

07031-15-2812

On-call Chaplain:

07031-15-3079

Social Work Services:

07031-15-2676/2677

Road Condition Hotline:

07031-15-3744

Army Community Center:

07031-15-3362

Military Family Consultants:

0170-708-0715

Medical Clinic:

0711-680-8610

Patient Liaison:

0711-680-5262

TRICARE:

0711-680-4381

Nurse Advice Line:

00800-4759-2330

Dental Clinic:

0711-680-8626

Patch High:

<http://www.stut-hs.eu.dodea.edu/>

Patch Elementary:

<http://www.patch-es.eu.dodea.edu/>

Böblingen Elementary/Middle:

<http://www.stut-esb.eu.dodea.edu/>

Robinson Barracks Elementary/Middle:

<http://www.rbar-es.eu.dodea.edu/>

To access more information on the information provided go to the

Website

<http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/DPTMS/briefings.html>