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AFN maintenance ensure broadcast

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#### **Commissary hours**

The Spangdahlem commissary will close 4 p.m. Sept. 3 for Labor Day. Normal hours of operation will resume Sept. 4.





#### Super Saber Performer

Staff Sgt. David Levine, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron quality assurance munitions maintenance inspector, is the Super Saber Performer for the week of Aug. 30-Sep. 5. Read the entire article and watch the video at http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/ news/story.asp?id=123316120. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Dillon Davis/Released)



### F-16s depart for Nordic Air Meet 2012

A pilot from the 480th Fighter Squadron performs a pre-flight functions check on an F-16 Fighting Falcon on the flight line here Aug. 23 before he departs for Nordic Air Meet 2012. The fighter squadron departed for the multi-national training exercise to share and exchange new combat tactics with allied countries. View more photos at http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123315214. (U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Dillon Davis/Released)

# Tickets on sale soon for Air Force ball

#### Staff Sgt. Daryl Knee 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The base's Air Force ball takes place 6 - 10 p.m. Sept. 15 at Club Eifel.

The motto of this year's event is "Forging the Future, Honoring the Past."

"These events allow us to honor our traditions," said Master Sgt. Ken Snyder, co-chair of Spangdahlem's Air Force ball committee. "It's a great place to get together in a formal setting that's a little less structured and just celebrate the Air Force."

Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m., and the formal ball starts at 7 p.m. The U.S. Air Forces in Europe band Check Six Jazz Ensemble will play throughout the evening, and a disc jockey will play music after the end of the official ceremony at 10 p.m.

The Club Eifel ballroom seats approximately 340 people, and tickets are scheduled to go on sale in early September. Look for an official email with group-level points of contact. The tentative cost is \$35 for E-7 and above, \$20 for E-6 and E-5, and \$15 for E-4 and below; however, the prices may drop later. The two meal options are chicken and vegetarian eggplant parmesan.

A photographer will be available to take portraits of guests. The cost is 5 Euros for a 5x7 and 10 Euros for an 8x10. Patrons must pay in cash on the spot, and the photographer will print the photos before the end of the ball.

A limited amount of custom Spangdahlem Air Force Ball coins are available for purchase in a silent auction until Sept. 10. The coins are numbered 1 through 65, and bids start at \$10. People interested in bidding may email 52fwcoinauction@ gmail.com with their bid and coin number. People not stationed at or affiliated with the base may participate in the auction. Updates are posted every Monday at http://www.facebook.com/SpangdahlemAirBase. The 52 coin has a current bid of \$125.

Read the entire article at http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123315919.

# **Active-shooter exercise puts SF to the test**

Airman 1st Class Steven McGhee, 52nd Security Forces Squadron entry controller, clears his weapon of ammunition during an activeshooter exercise inside a training warehouse here Aug. 28. In this active-shooter training, 52nd SFS Airmen must enter a house under control of hostile forces and eliminate the threat while identifying and controlling non-hostile inhabitants. Security forces Airmen put their skills and knowledge to the test in simulated hostile environments to prepare for real-world events. View more photos at http:// www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123315964. (U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Gustavo Castillo/Released)



**Above:** Staff Sgt. Sean Reval, 52nd Security Forces Squadron training instructor, plays dead during an active-shooter exercise inside a training warehouse here Aug. 28.

**Right:** A painted silhouette of a human figure is riddled with simulation bullet holes shot by 52nd Security Forces Squadron Airmen during an active-shooter exercise inside a training warehouse here Aug. 28.



# Diversity Day festivities inspire unity

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The fourth annual Diversity Day celebration took place at Club Eifel here Aug. 23.

This year's motto was "United Despite Uniqueness," and the event showcased 17 different cultures.

Col. David Julazadeh, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, signed the Diversity Day proclamation to kick off the event. The proclamation identified that mutual respect is fundamental for Airmen to defend American and allied interests, win the fight, develop and care for those Airmen and their families, and positively represent America and partner nations.

"Diversity Day is a great representation of the Air Force today," he said. "We all serve as one team of 330,000 Airmen, and we operate as one family despite our different cultures, backgrounds and mindsets."

Senior Airman Derek Cruz, 52nd Communications Squadron and event participant, said that he enjoys such events because they offer



Diversity Day participants represent their heritage in a parade outside of Club Eifel here Aug. 23. Diversity Day raises awareness about the importance of intercultural diversity and combating stereotypes to improve cooperation among people from different cultures. (U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Gustavo Castillo/Released)

> a comprehensive opportunity to experience all the different cultures that make up the Air Force.

> "It brings the best of all of us together," he said. "Diversity is the baseline of America and especially in the Air Force. We're able to gather our strengths from every culture to make the best team possible.



A carved watermelon rests at the Thailand culture booth during the fourth annual Diversity Day celebration inside Club Eifel here Aug. 23.

"Diversity Day also breaks some stereotypes or clichés people may have about different cultures," he continued. "And it's a great opportunity to share and really learn about the people you work with."

More than 400 base members attended the event, to include civic leaders from within the German community.

Lothar Herres, Host Nation Council in Bitburg manager, said Diversity Day is a good way to bring together Airmen who come from locations throughout the entire world. Read the entire article and view more photos at http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story. asp?id=123315239.

# Bernkastel-Kues hosts Middle Mosel festival this weekend

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Another highlight festival near the base and in the Eifel and Mosel area is the Bernkastel-Kues Middle Mosel wine festival, scheduled to take place Aug. 30 - Sept. 4.

About 30 Mosel wine growing communities will participate in the festival, providing wine tastings, traditional food specialties, music and entertainment.

The wine festival is the largest event of its kind along the Mosel and attracts more than 50,000 visitors annually.

The annual festival officially starts 5 p.m. Aug. 30 with the opening of the Weinstrasse, or wine street, where multiple wine stands are lined up for people to sample the "Mosel gold."

As part of the opening events, the wine queen "Mosella" 2011 Melanie I. will be announced and welcomed in the market square around 7 p.m. Aug. 30 and greeted by the city mayor, Wolfgang Port.

Fanfare, local dancers, scouts and singers,

and the Bernkastel-Kues city music association will be on stage in the market square in the early evening Aug. 30. A musical highlight will be the Handpicked band, providing rock, rhythm, blues and mainstream sounds from 8 a.m. until midnight Aug. 30 on Karlsbad Platz area, located in the center of town.

Activities will continue Aug. 31 with the opening of a large amusement park and handicraft art market at 3:30 p.m. along the Mosel shore. The market will be open from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. for the duration of the festival.

Free rides will be offered in the amusement park at 3:30 p.m. Aug. 31 for the opening, and reduced rides are available during "Happy Hour" from 5 - 8 p.m. Sept. 3 and for families all day Sept. 4.

Show and dance band performances as well as fanfare music will occur from 4 - 9:30 p.m. Aug. 31 in various spots of town, including Karlsbad Platz, along the Weinstrasse and in the main market square.

Read the entire article at http:// www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story. asp?id=123315924.



Built during the 13th century, the castle ruins of Burg Landshut lie atop a vine-clad hillside overlooking the Mosel river. One key highlight of the Bernkastel-Kues Middle Mosel wine festival will be a fireworks display from the Burg Landshut castle and the Mosel shore from 9 - 9:30 p.m. Sept. 1. It is known as the biggest pyrotechnic spectacle on the Mosel. This year's festival takes place Aug. 30 through Sept. 4. (Courtesy photo)

## What's happening?

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#### Bread and Circuses Great Roman festival in Trier

Reserve your ticket now for the first Bread and Circuses Great Roman festival in Trier now until Sept. 8. Activities will take place around the Roman Basilica, the Emperial Palace, the Roman Kaiserthermen Baths and the Trier Amphitheater. The ticket prices for different events range from 8-25 Euros. For more information, visit http://www. ticket-regional.de/stage\_1006. php?eventtimeID=156631.

#### Funfair in Luxembourg

The 672nd Schueberfouer, the largest funfair in Luxembourg, takes place now until Sept. 11 at Glacis-field in Luxembourg city. The fair includes 25 rides, more than 12 child rides, games, performers from many nations and more than 100 vendors. For more information, visit http:// www.fouer.lu/en/Schueberfouer. html.

#### Sculpture art exhibition

A free sculpture art exhibition by international artists, with the motto "The Other Side," is open now until Sept. 16 in the new garden and gallery of the Bitburg Haus Beda cultural center. For more information visit http:// www.haus-beda.de.

#### **Bicyle tour**

Happy Pruemtal Valley, a 28 kilometer bicycle tour, takes place Sept. 2 through the Pruem valley. For more information, visit http://www.pruem.de/.

#### **Trier Play festival**

A free play festival takes place in the streets of the Trier pedestrian zone under the motto "Trier plays games" Sept. 8. For more information, call 0651-4602638 or visit http://www.trier.de.

#### **Trier museum night**

Museums will remain open 6 a.m. to midnight Sept. 15 in Trier's Bishops museum, the Municipal Museum, the Karl Karz House and the Archaelogical Museum. Entertainment and guided tours will be offered in various languages.

#### Wittlich October festival

The Wittlich October festival takes place Sept. 28-Oct. 31 in a large festival tent. For more information, visit http://www.ok-toberfest-wittlich.de.

#### 360 Fit Boot Camp

Sign up now for 360 Fit Boot Camp at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. The camp takes place Monday, Wednesday and Friday Sept. 10 – Oct. 5. People can sign up for 6 a.m., 9 a.m. or 5:15 p.m. sessions. The cost of the camp is \$135. For more information, call DSN 452-6634 or 06565-61-6634.

#### JPAC recovery volunteer

Volunteer now for Joint Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Accounting Command recovery. Recoveries take place Sept. 1, 3, 10, 12 and 18 along the Belgian border. Recovery teams will meet 7:15 a.m. and return 5 p.m. at the Wilkommen Center. For more information or to volunteer, call DSN 452-7438 or 06565-61-7438.

#### Winter bowling leagues

Sign up by Sept. 1 for winter bowling leagues at the Eifel Lanes Bowling Center. Leagues include a teacher league, German-American league, intramural league, scratch league, no-tap league and youth league. For more information, call DSN 452-2695 or 06565-61-2695.

#### Free breakfast

Club Eifel members can enjoy free breakfast 6:30 – 8:30 a.m. Sept. 11 at Club Eifel here. For more information, call DSN 452-4633 or 06565-61-4633.

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