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life-saving skills

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for environment

Commissary case lot sale

The Spangdahlem Commissary's case lot sale takes place Sept. 14-16. Some items will be more than 50 percent off, and patrons can mix items to buy a case with an assortment of choice.



SUPER SABER PERFORMER

Staff Sgt. John Johnson, 372nd Training Squadron Detachment 17 aerospace ground equipment instructor, is the Super Saber Performer for the week of Sept. 13-19. Read the entire article and watch the video at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123317824>. (U.S. Air Force courtesy photo/Released)

New 52nd MDG clinic now open

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A ribbon cutting ceremony and open house took place here Sept. 7 for the new 52nd Medical Group clinic.

More than 250 people attended the ceremony to include leadership from U.S. Air Forces in Europe, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Spangdahlem and the local community.

"I'm glad you're here to witness the grand opening of the finest-made and most environmentally friendly medical clinic in all of USAFE," said Col. David Julazadeh, 52nd Fighter Wing commander. "It's truly a world-class clinic."

The \$30.1 million clinic officially opened Sept. 10 and boasts a larger parking lot, 75,000 square feet, 23 exam rooms, 218 medical professionals, and new medical equipment and furniture.

Col. Robert Bowersox, 52nd Medical Group commander, said the Saber nation will no longer have to shuttle themselves between two bases -- Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex -- for medical care. Furthermore, the new clinic's layout enables the medical professionals to deliver services where the patients need it most. Now, the clinic's 50,000 patients a year do not have to visit multiple buildings to get the care they deserve.

"The move is a great opportunity for us," said Senior Airman Marchelle Macken, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron Family Health medical technician. "The new clinic is a lot more convenient for



Spangdahlem members and leadership from U.S. Air Forces in Europe and the local community tour the new 52nd Medical Group clinic during an open-house event here Sept. 7.

patients. Everything is centralized, so there's no confusion.

"Plus, we have better capabilities now," she continued. "There's more space and amenities for our customers, and with them happy, it makes our job easier."

The two-floor clinic includes nearly 20 different sections ranging from family health to physical therapy.

"It's very impressive" said retired Col. (Dr.) Irving Freedman, the former 52nd Medical Commander ...

Read the entire article at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123317080>.



Col. David Julazadeh, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, cuts the ribbon at a ribbon cutting ceremony, along with leadership from the base, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, and the local community here Sept. 7. The \$30.1 million clinic officially opens Sept. 10 and includes a larger parking lot, a 75,000 square foot building, 23 exam rooms, 218 medical professionals, and new medical equipment and furniture. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airmen 1st Class Gustavo Castillo/Released)



Joint terminal attack controllers (JTACs) and U.S. Army UH-72 Lacota helicopter pilots, take off from here Sept. 5. The JTACs and helicopter pilots visited with the 81st Fighter Squadron here to exchange close-air-support tactics, techniques and procedures. During their visit, they also flew in an A-10 Thunderbolt II simulator, viewed the inside of an A-10 cockpit and viewed target information sent from ground forces to the A-10 pilots. The 81st FS shares and exchanges operating procedures with joint forces to ensure interoperability in future training exercises and contingency operations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Natasha Stannard/Released)

Army, JTACs train with 81st FS pilots



Above: Tech. Sgt. Nick Reddinger, left, and Tech. Sgt. John Butler, 2nd Air Support Operations Squadron tactical air control party specialists (TACPs) from U.S. Army Garrison Grafenwoehr, use digital communication equipment to send target information to an A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot here Sept. 5.

Right: Capt. James Schmidt, 81st Fighter Squadron A-10 Thunderbolt II pilot, left, shows digital systems used to pursue targets to U.S. Army Chief Warrant Officer 3 Benjamin Bower, Joint Multinational Readiness Center (JMRC) UH-72 Lacota helicopter pilot, on the flightline here Sept. 5.



Warhawk Nation

Nordic Air Meet 2012: It's a *Pilot's* life for me

Airman 1st Class Dillon Davis
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The sudden sound of an early morning wake-up call blares in the hotel room of Maj. Brian Scott, 480th Fighter Squadron pilot.

It's another typical day for Scott as he reaches over and ends the loud ringing with the push of a button.

He pulls the blinds apart and unsuspecting rays of sunlight immediately fill the room. For Scott, the day's weather had become what he suspected will be the best working conditions for the remainder of his two-week assignment to Nordic Air Meet 2012 in Lulea, Sweden.

The multinational aircraft meet and training exercise includes a total of more than 50 fighter jets from the United States, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Denmark, Finland and Sweden.

For most jobs, weather conditions don't factor into everyday scheduling; however, for Scott, they determine what, where, when and how he can do his job.

After he finishes his brief breakfast, he and a coworker depart for

their 7 a.m. weather and air traffic control brief at Kallax AB. The briefing gives Scott and the other flight leads a good idea of what to expect for the remainder of the day.

After leaving the first briefing, Scott and about 20 other pilots gather in another room at what is described as "the round table."

In this room, Scott and the other pilots proceed to plan and map out the mission for the day. On almost any other day, at nearly any other training exercise, mission planning would have been routine, standard or even boring. But on this day, at this location, the planning proves to be quite the opposite due to large-scale aircraft flight operations from multiple nations. Nearly every 45 minutes of the three-hour planning process consists of one or more major change in formation, timing or flight altitude.

"Mission planning for aircraft operations can be compared to football strategy, because if you want to succeed, you have to know the plays before the game," said Scott's coworker Maj. Jason Hrynyk, 480th FS pilot.

Scott and the others finish the mission planning and speed off to lunch.



Maj. Brian Scott, 480th Fighter Squadron pilot, approaches his assigned F-16 Fighting Falcon aircraft before a flight here Sept. 3 at the Nordic Air Meet 2012. The multinational training exercise brought together more than 50 aircraft from the United States, Great Britain, Denmark, Finland, Switzerland and Sweden to participate in tactical role-playing training missions. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Airman 1st Class Dillon Davis/Released)

They spend lunch gathering some energy and resting their minds before their next stop at the pilots' final mass briefing.

The mass brief takes an overwhelming amount of previous mission planning and condenses it into a final draft. This draft gives Scott

and the other pilots an executable strategic task.

Midway through the brief, Scott delivers the suppression-of-enemy-air-defenses portion in which ...

Read the entire article at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123316858>.



FLAG FOOTBALL KICKS OFF

Donnel Carney, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron unit deployment manager, runs down the field during a flag football game near the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center here Sept. 5. Carney is the first-string quarterback for the 52nd LRS team and scored one touchdown during their first game of the season. The flag football season will continue until Oct. 31, thereafter the top eight teams will compete for the base championship title in a single elimination tournament. View more photos at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123317043>. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Gustavo Castillo/Released)

What's happening?

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Trier museum night

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

Wittlich sales market

Stores will remain open from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. Sept. 19 in Wittlich. A sales market with more than 40 stands will be set up throughout the center of town. Local artists will show their works. Food and entertainment will be available for the day.

Wittlich October festival

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

Volksmarches

People can pre-register now for a five-day guided volksmarch in Spalt Oct. 1-5. The participation fee is 85 Euro. For more information or to register for the event, email Hans.Lang@t-online.de or call 09175-7965-0 or 09175-1500 after 5 p.m.

DSLR 101 course

A DSLR camera course takes place 6 - 9 p.m. and 4 - 10 p.m. Sept. 14-15 in the Eifel region. The cost is \$60 per person. For more information, call DSN 452-7170 or 06565-61-7170.

Eifel classic golf tournament

A golf tournament takes place 8 a.m. Sept. 15 at the Golfclub Kyllburger Waldeifel in Burbach. Teams require four people and the entry fee per team is 160 Euros, which includes 18 holes of golf and a barbecue lunch. The game will commence with a scramble, shotgun start and prizes will be awarded after the tournament for first, second and third places, longest drive, straightest drive and shot closest to pin. For more information or to sign up, call DSN 452-6206/6633 or 06565-61-6206/6633.

Mountain biking trips

Mountain biking trips take place 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sept. 15 and Sept. 29 in Houffalize, Belgium. The cost is \$25 per person and bike rentals cost \$10. For more information, call DSN 452-7170 or 06565-61-7170.

JPAC recovery volunteer

Volunteer now for Joint prisoner of war/missing in action Accounting Command recovery. Recoveries take place Sept. 18 along the Belgian border. Recovery teams will meet 7:15 a.m. and return 5 p.m. at the Wilkommen Center. This event will require manual labor. It is recommended

to wear closed-toed shoes, long-sleeved clothing, pack a lunch, bring Euro cash and protective gear. For more information, visit <http://www.jpac.pacom.mil>. To volunteer, call DSN 452-7438 or 06565-61-7438.

Job fair

A free job and information fair takes place 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Club Eifel ballroom. People are advised to dress professionally and bring their resumes as there will be on-the-spot interviews. For more information, call DSN 452-4639/6397 or 06565-61-4639/6397.

Baltic Sea fishing

Sign up now for a Baltic Sea fishing trip Sept. 21 -23. The cost is \$175 and includes one day on a large fishing boat and a night in a pension. Payments must be made in full by Sept. 1. The outdoor recreation staff requires a minimum of 20 participants to support this event. If by Sept. 1 the minimum participants do not sign up, the trip will be cancelled and money will be refunded. For more information, call DSN 452-7170 or 06565-61-7170.

Sunday brunch

A Sunday brunch takes place 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Sept. 23 at Club Eifel. The cost is \$15.95 for adults, \$7.95 for children ages 5 - 12 and free for children less the 5 years old. For more information, call DSN 452-4633 or 06565-61-4633.

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