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Spangdahlem and Bitburg elementary school students process through a Personnel Deployment Function (PDF) line at the 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron Installation Deployment Readiness Cell as part of a Children's Deployment Day, March 29, 2013, at Spangdahlem Air Base. More than 600 children received briefings from various 52nd Fighter Wing agencies, to include the 52nd Security Force Squadron K-9 unit, viewed numerous vehicles supplied by the 52nd LRS and toured a C-17 Globemaster III at the 726th Air Mobility Squadron. The Children's Deployment Day was held to help children learn the process their parents go through when preparing for deployments. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Kenya Shiloh/Released)

Young Sabers process children's PDF line

Tech. Sgt. Kenya Shiloh
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

More than 600 Spangdahlem and Bitburg elementary school students processed through a personnel deployment function line at the 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron as part of a Children's Deployment Day March 27-29, 2013.

During this three-day event, children explored various vehicles provided by the 52nd LRS and tried on chemical masks, helmets, vests and gear issued to parents before they deploy. They also toured a U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III cargo aircraft and were visited by several agencies, to include the 52nd Security Forces Squadron K-9 unit, on what they do to help parents get ready for deployment.

"This is pretty cool!" said 8-year-old Aiden Brittain, son of Elmira and Tech. Sgt. James Brittan, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron from Nacogdoches, Texas. "Now I understand what my dad goes through when he deploys. I'm having a good time."

According to 2nd Lt. Peter Daigle, 52nd LRS Assistant Installation Deployment Officer from Dur-

ham, N.H., the purpose of having an event of this magnitude is to help military children gain a better understanding of what their parents go through when they deploy.

"Having this event makes it more tangible, because our units can be tasked to deploy at any given time," Daigle said. "It felt like really good timing from our leadership's perspective to let the kids experience what it's like to go through a deployment line so they could at least get what daddy and mommy do when they go away from me for a little while."

Bitburg Elementary School third-grade teacher Lahoma Hendrix from Benton Harbor, Mich., said she thought this is a great idea because the children get to understand the whole process.

"Sometimes we don't explain to them what we're doing," Hendrix said. "Sometimes they have questions but are afraid to ask, so this allows them the opportunity to ask questions to give them a little bit more peace."

The 52nd Force Support Squadron ...

Read the entire article at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123342786>.



SUPER SABER PERFORMER

U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Joseph Capehard, 726th Air Mobility Squadron air terminal operations center controller, is the Super Saber Performer for the week of April 4-10. Read the entire article at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123342977>. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Gustavo Castillo/Released)

the vaccine machine

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U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Sarah Ellis, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron NCO in charge of Allergy and Immunizations from Mount Hood, Ore., fills a syringe with a vaccine to administer to a patient April 2, 2013.

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Saber promotions

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52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Congratulations to the following major and lieutenant colonel selects:

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Community helping community: New playroom opens

Staff Sgt. Daryl Knee

52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

The new children's playroom opened in the community center here April 2, 2013.

The \$5,700 project includes renovations to the existing room, a seating area for parents, a window into the playroom, a lever-locked gate and numerous children's play items.

"This is truly amazing evidence of our community taking care of its families," said U.S. Air Force Col. David Julazadeh, 52nd Fighter Wing commander from Chillacothe, Ill. "Despite the fiscal environment today and with almost no cost to the U.S. military, these people came together and made it happen. What an awesome thing for our community."

The project began in early January when representatives from the Officers and Civilian Spouses Club and the Spangdahlem Spouses and Enlisted Members Club filed a formal request with the 52nd Mission Support Group asking for an indoor play area for children due to long periods of inclement weather. Once the request was approved at the wing level, volunteers began to act.

"A lot of times, people just don't ask the question," said Jennifer Mulder, playroom OSCS representative. "This wasn't just chatter across the base, it was a real need. We took a good idea and found support within the community."

Three private organizations partnered together with the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron to fund the project. The SSEMC, OCSC, and the Bitburg Middle School Parent Teacher Student Association pooled together \$4,000 for the equipment, flooring and seating area. Civil engineers then repurposed



Nathan Heffelfinger, son of U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Ian Heffelfinger, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron, plays on a children's castle April 2, 2013, in the new playroom at Spangdahlem Air Base. The room is designed for children ages 4 and younger and is open Sunday through Thursday from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m., and Friday through Saturday from 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Daryl Knee/Released)

existing hardware to renovate the room, with a total of 130 hours and \$1,700.

"Even with the sequestration, we were able to build this to help out," said Senior Airman Keegan Seymour, 52nd CES Structures Flight. "I'm thankful that what we've done lets parents get their children out of the house for a while."

Mulder said the Spangdahlem private organizations use fund-raising activities throughout the year to have the money available for similar projects. The funds are intended as a gap filler between what the Air Force can pay for and the base's way of life.

Read the entire article at <http://www.spangdahlem.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123342581>.

What's happening?

events in the Saber community

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Bitburg Bierfest

A beer festival takes place April 6-27 in Bitburg.

25th Techno Classica Essen

A world car show takes place from April 10-14 at Messe Essen, Norbertstr. 2, D-45131 Essen. The event will showcase vintage, classic and prestige automobiles, motorsport, motorcycles, spare parts, restoration and a World Club Meeting. Check ticket prices online at http://www.siha.de/tce_uk.php?m=1&ms=1.

Art show

An art exhibition with the theme "People Meeting" is now through May 31, 2013, at the area administration's city hall in Manderscheid. Most art is done in either oil or acrylic color.

Explore the Eifel Tip of the Week

The ninth annual Explore the Eifel fair takes place April 19, 2013 from 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Club Eifel. It is an alternate duty location.

This is the second year that the Explore the Eifel fair has included entertainment and prizes throughout the event.

Advanced knitting class

An advanced knitting class takes place 6-8 p.m., April 8 in the classroom above the auto hobby shop. The cost is \$25, and sign ups must be made two days in advance. For more information, call DSN 452-6841 or 06565-61-6841.

Tole painting class

A tole painting class takes place 5:30-8:30 p.m., April 9 and 16, and 9 a.m. to noon, April 23 at in the classroom above the auto hobby shop. The cost is \$25, and sign ups must be made 10 days in advance. For more information, call DSN 452-6841 or 06565-61-6841.

Intro to scuba diving

An introduction to scuba diving takes place 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., April 9 and 11 in an indoor heated pool. The price is \$69 per person and includes gear, admission, transportation, instruction and a snack lunch. Attendees must be older than 12 and anyone younger than 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information, call DSN 452-7170 or 06565-61-7170.

Beginner's crochet class

A beginner's crochet class takes place 6-8:30 p.m., April 10 in the classroom above the auto hobby shop. The cost is \$20 per person, and sign ups must be made two days in advance. For more information, call DSN 452-6841 or 06565-61-6841.

Photo editing 101

A beginner's photo editing course takes place 6-9 p.m., April 10 at outdoor recreation. The cost is \$25 per

person, and participants must bring a laptop with an editing program. For more information, call DSN 452-7170 or 06565-61-7170.

Imagination Movers

A free Disney comedy show takes place 6 p.m., April 11 at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. Imagination Movers is a group that uses music and comedy to teach children about healthy eating, playing and overcoming childhood fears. The doors open at 5 p.m. For more information, call DSN 452-7260 or 06565-61-7260.

80s Night

A free 80s Night takes place 8 p.m., April 11 at the Saber Sports Lounge. The event includes special drinks and a costume contest. For more information, call 452-4639 or 06565-61-4639.

Free club member breakfast

A free breakfast takes place 6:30 - 8:30 a.m., April 11 in the Club Eifel ballroom. Breakfast is for club members only. For more information, call DSN 452-4639 or 06565-61-4639.

Bundles for Babies

A class for expecting parents takes place 1-3:30 p.m., April 11. The class focuses on teaching about newborn and parent nutrition as well as budgeting for a new baby. Attendees can network with other parents, play games, win prizes and pick up all sorts of resources to help with caring for a newborn. Space is limited, so sign up in advance. For more information, call DSN 452-6422 or 06565-61-6422.

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