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*News Briefs*

**Award winner**

Congratulations to Master Sgt. Ricky Carns, 726th Air Mobility Squadron, who was recently awarded Air Mobility Command's Chief Master Sgt. Fred Archer Military Award.

**Quarterly awards**

Congratulations to the following 469th Air Base Group quarterly award winners for March-June.

**Airman** – Airman 1st Class Samuel Sells, fire department;

**NCO** – Tech. Sgt. Brian McHugh, communications flight;

**SNCO** – Master Sgt. Donald Anderson, civil engineer flight;

**CGO** – Capt. Matthew Orłowski, services flight;

**Civilian (Category I)** – Jonathan Walker, services flight;

**Civilian (Category II)** – Katherine Savage, services flight;

**Volunteer** – Airman 1st Class Jeremiah Wimer, security forces flight;

**Hidden Hero** – Airman 1st Class Kevin Cintron, security forces flight.

**Award winners**

Congratulations to the following 726th Air Mobility Squadron quarterly award winners for March-June.

**Airman** – Senior Airman Dwight Hine;

**NCO** – Staff Sgt. Gillie Zamora;

**SNCO** – Master Sgt. Ricky Carns;

**CGO** – Capt. Justin Wellen;

**U.S. Civilian (Category I)** – Lewis McKinley;

**U.S. Civilian (Category II)** – Lewis Pullum;

**Local National Civilian** – Sandra Zvijer.



*Minister President Roland Koch, Hessen state governor, thanks Senior Airman Jason Tucker, 469th Air Base Group Fire Department, during a ceremony at the Hessentag state fair in Heppenheim, Germany, June 26.*

**Hessen honors lifesavers**

German government makes presentation to Rhein-Main firefighters

Story and photo by  
1st Lt. Uriah Orland  
Public Affairs

Three base firefighters were recognized during an awards ceremony June 26 at the Hessentag Fair in Heppenheim, Germany, by the Hessen state governor for their actions to save the life of an Army Air Forces Exchange Services employee May 29, 2003.

Tech. Sgt. Thaddeus Reiste, Staff Sgt. Steve Gregorek and Senior Airman Jason Tucker, assigned to the 469th Air Base Group Civil Engineer Flight, were presented a thank you citation and a thank you gift by Minister President Roland Koch and were thanked by Peter Bodde, Frankfurt Consulate General, for their prompt response time and professional actions to resuscitate a cardiac arrest patient who subsequently made a full recovery.

"I'm very proud of them and their work," said Mr. Bodde. "Their actions go

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# New chief, shirt settle in at R-M

By Airman 1st Class Eric Donner  
Public Affairs

Members of Team Rhein-Main may have seen a couple of new faces in the community within the past month. The newest additions to the leadership of the 469th Air Base Group are Chief Master Sgt. Robert Stewart, 469th ABG superintendent, and Master Sgt. James McDonald, 469th ABG first sergeant.

“Chief Stewart and First Sergeant McDonald will be with us through closure and will provide us with a wealth of leadership and experience,” said Col. Bradley Denison, 469th ABG commander. “I’m looking forward to working with both of them as we complete the final chapter of Rhein-Main Air Base.”

Chief Stewart comes to Rhein-Main from the 5th Combat Communications Group at Robins Air Force Base, Ga., where he was the superintendent of the 5th Combat Communications Support Squadron’s Support Flight. He hopes to return to Robins following Rhein-Main’s closure.

The chief comes from an Air Force family. His father is a retired chief, his brother-in-law also retired from the Air Force and his sister is an active-duty technical sergeant. He has

been in the Air Force for 27 years and became a chief master sergeant on Jan. 1, 2003. This is his first experience as superintendent at the group level.

The chief wants to continue to support the group’s mission while preparing the base for closure. However, he said leadership must focus on the people to make sure they have the means to do their jobs and have a smooth transition from Rhein-Main.



Chief Stewart



Sergeant McDonald

Sergeant McDonald came from Ramstein Air Base where he was the first sergeant for the 86th Operations Support Squadron and 75th Airlift Squadron. He was an honor graduate of the First Sergeant’s Academy at Maxwell AFB, Ala., in 1999.

“I want to become a trusted member of Team Rhein-Main,” said Sergeant McDonald. “Someone that folks will feel comfortable coming to with issues or for assistance.

“I want to make sure to continue the high standards that Rhein-Main already has in place,” he added.



## Crossing into the blue

*Senior Airman Benjamin Hamilton, a C-17 crew chief deployed from the 437th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Charleston Air Force Base, S.C., gives Alex Watson, son of James and Shelly Watson, Department of Defense civilians, a tour of a C-17 cockpit during a visit to the Rhein-Main flightline by the Deutschland Young Marines. The youth toured the flightline, went aboard a C-17 static display and visited the 726th Air Mobility Squadron headquarters. The Young Marines is a not-for-profit youth education program for boys and girls ages 8 through high school. The program focuses on character building through a combination of self-discipline, teamwork and leadership and promotes a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.*

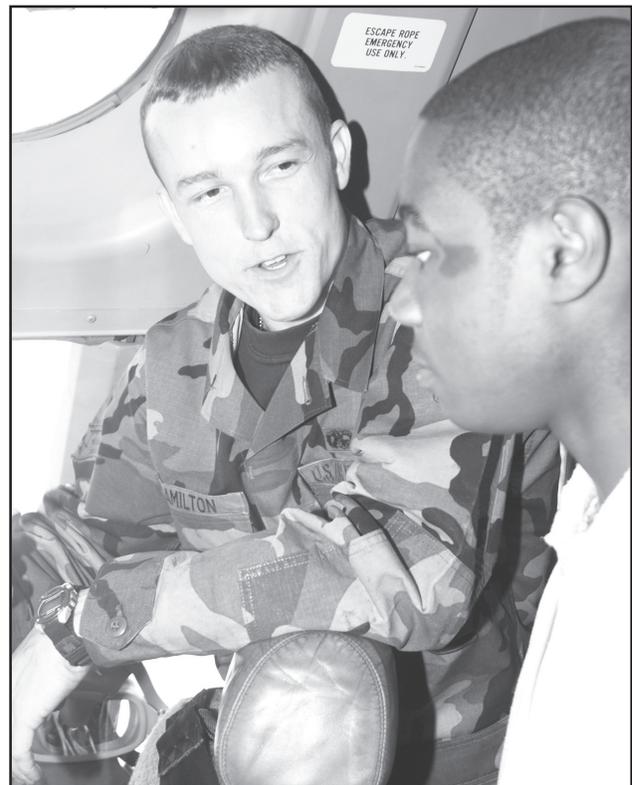


Photo by Airman 1st Class Eric Donner



Photo by Airman 1st Class Eric Donner

## Eat fresh

*Subway Restaurants opened a branch in the Rhein-Main Base Exchange recently. The company, with more than 21,000 restaurants in 75 countries hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony today to mark the grand-opening. The restaurant plans to stay in the base exchange until the facilities closure in the fall of 2005. Subway offers a variety of meats, cheeses and vegetables served on various types of freshly baked bread.*

# Council offers junior enlisted voice

Airmen, soldiers have means to express views, get involved in community

By Airman 1st Class Eric Donner  
Public Affairs

Junior enlisted have often wanted a way to express their thoughts to a commander and an opportunity to become more active in the community.

Since May, the junior enlisted at Rhein-Main have had an organization, the Junior Enlisted Council, which makes these possible.

Most Air Force bases have an Airman's council which includes Air Force servicemembers from airmen basic through senior airmen. However, because of Rhein-Main's limited size, the junior enlisted council includes all military servicemembers from E-1 through E-4.

"The goals of the junior enlisted council are exciting activities, community involvement and an opportunity for the junior enlisted to have a voice that can make changes," said Airman 1st Class Samuel Sells, vice president of Rhein-Main's JEC.

"These are tomorrow's leaders in today's Air Force," said Chief Master Sergeant Robert Stewart, 469th Air Base Group superintendent.

The council provides airman the opportunity for leadership and a voice. It also offers a resource for the community to tap into for volunteers, added Chief Stewart.

As a new organization, the junior enlisted council is trying to find its place on base and to share its goals and community involvement with the junior enlisted at Rhein-Main.

Since its beginning, the Rhein-Main JEC has already been involved in community activities and volunteer work.

The council helped with both the Rhein-Main Community Bazaar and the U.S. Air Forces in Europe safety fair at Rhein-Main. Members also volunteered their time to cook at Chief Master Sgt. Cathryn Gamsby's going-away party.

The council offers junior enlisted a way to meet servicemembers of the same age and grade. The group meets every first and third Wednesday of the month. Several chairperson slots are available.

Contact Airman 1st Class Maureen Zannoni to join or for more information.

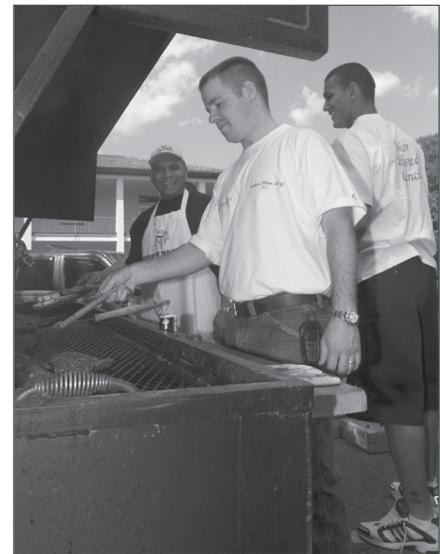


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Matt Summers

*Airman 1st Class Samuel Sells, vice president of Rhein-Main's Junior Enlisted Council, (center) helps Master Sgt. Robert Tejada, a member of the 469th Air Base Group Top IV, cook for a recent going-away celebration, while Airman 1st Class Brandon Cunningham, Rhein-Main JEC president, (right) brings more meat to the grill.*

# FSC helps all along the way

By Master Sgt. James McGee  
Rhein-Main Family Support Center

There's an old saying that the two best assignments in the Air Force are the one you just left and the one that you are going to.

Family support centers are an important part of, not only those two assignments, but the one at which you are currently stationed. So what do we do for you? You can break family support centers into three parts – on your way here, while you are here, and when you depart.

## On your way here

Sponsors are an integral part of a successful move. Imagine if your sponsor hadn't warned you about bringing your washer and dryer – your house would be quite crowded. And can you picture a family arriving in a foreign country for the first time with no idea how to get to the base, how to speak the language or even what currency is used?

This is where the sponsor comes in, to help ease the transition from the old duty assignment to the new. You should be assigned a sponsor long before you leave your duty station to answer any of your questions and to bring you a little peace of mind. When you first arrive you are without a lot of your household goods. We have loaner equipment that, in conjunction with the furnishings management office, can tide you over quite well until your stuff arrives.

## While you are here

Being in Germany wouldn't be quite the same if you never left the base. One

of the benefits of military service is the chance to see parts of the world that you wouldn't have if you stayed home.

To that end, we have maps to show you how to get wherever you're going, language classes to help you communicate once you are there, and, occasionally, trips to actually get you where you want to go. We take walking tours of Frankfurt and bus tours to water parks. Part of the Combat Care program involves taking people deployed to and those permanently assigned to Rhein-Main on cultural trips.

We also know that this can be a stressful time, so we are ready to help you with those stressors. Our staff can assist you with financial planning and budgets, spouse tuition assistance, family life and readiness.

## Once you have orders to leave

So now you are leaving. What is it like at the new base you are going to? Is it stateside or another overseas assignment? What are the schools like?

We have all the information that you could want on your new assignment. Better still, we have smooth-move classes to help you proceed to your new base. And if your move from Rhein-Main is complicated by your leaving the Air Force, let us help un-complicate it. We have quarterly transition assistance program classes for those people who are retiring or separating.

You can find the Rhein-Main Family Support Center in the basement of Bldg. 347 and in Gateway Gardens, at the family support center annex. Come by and see us and see what we have in store for our Air Force family.

*The Action Line is one way for me to keep my finger on the pulse of the Rhein-Main community and is used as an avenue for communication.*

*The main objective of the Commander's Action Line is finding solutions to problems or providing explanations for processes.*

*If you experience problems at Rhein-Main, you should always try to resolve problems at the lowest level by contacting the unit or agency managers. In almost every case, your chain of command is the best solution. I strongly encourage everyone to use that route first. When normal channels haven't been able to resolve your issues, feel free to send an e-mail to [Hotline@rheinmain.af.mil](mailto:Hotline@rheinmain.af.mil) or call 330-7779. Please include your name and contact information along with your concern.*

*Action Lines are forwarded to the appropriate agency for action and response. They should contact you within 24 hours. Once an Action Line is started, the agency must provide a complete answer to me within 10 days.*

*The 469th Air Base Group Public Affairs Office is responsible for managing the Action Line program on my behalf. If you have any questions, call Public Affairs.*



Col. Bradley Denison  
Commander, 469th Air Base Group

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edition of the Gateway is  
4 p.m., July 15.*

## Warriors of the Week



Airman 1st Class Eric Watkins

**Unit:** Fire department  
**Time in AF services:** 1 year 7 months  
**Time at Rhein-Main:** 1 year  
**Duty Title:** Alarm room operator  
**Hometown:** Tampa, Fla.  
**Hobbies:** Computers, going to school  
**What has been your best Air Force experience?**  
 Completing fire academy training



Staff Sgt. Armando Fabela

**Unit:** Fire department  
**Time in service:** 8 years 11 months  
**Time at Rhein-Main:** 9 months  
**Duty Title:** Crewchief  
**Hometown:** Pharr, Texas  
**Hobbies:** Building computers and electronics  
**What has been your best Air Force experience?**  
 One-year tour at Kunsan Air Base, Korea

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a long way to help German-American relations.”

During a speech Minister President Koch highlighted the long standing partnership between the United States and Germany and the U.S. military and Hessen.

Minister President Koch said Hessen has supported the U.S. military and will continue to do so for many years to come. He went on to say they are partners in protecting freedom whether it is at home or abroad. He added that the ceremony highlighted the actions of those who dedicate their life to help others, whether on or off duty.

Sergeants Reiste and Gregorek responded to an emergency call May 26, 2003, reporting an unresponsive female patient at the local Base Exchange. Upon arrival, Sergeant Reiste quickly assumed control of the situation while maintaining a safe working area for the responders and provided for the privacy of the female patient.

Sergeant Gregorek's two-person rescue team rapidly assessed the patient and determined the patient was in cardiac arrest and immediately began two-person Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation.

As the emergency care team assessed the patient and administered CPR, Airman Tucker, an off-duty member of the fire department, offered his assistance.

He gathered and assembled the oxygen delivery system and

the automatic external defibrillator from the rescue vehicle, preparing the equipment for use by the rescue team.

After the equipment was ready for operation, Sergeant Gregorek performed a secondary assessment of the patient, finding no pulse.

He delivered an electrical shock with the automatic external defibrillator and reestablished a pulse in the patient. He continued the rescue breathing with supplemental oxygen, despite the patient still being breathless. Airman Tucker continued monitoring the patient's vital signs and assisted his fellow crewmember with the rescue breathing by suctioning obstructions from the airway until the arrival of advanced care.

Sergeant Reiste coordinated the arrival of advanced medical care and the transfer of the patient to the doctor who accompanied the local civilian ambulance crew.

According to the citation read during the ceremony, the coordinated teamwork, astute vision, quick and decisive actions, directly contributed to saving the patient's

life and ensured her full recovery.

The Hessentag ceremony also recognized the heroic actions of approximately 30 German police, border police and armed forces members who helped save lives. Minister President Koch also highlighted the faith and strength of the families of the 1st Armor Division who have not yet returned from Iraq.



The seal of Hessen

*(Far right) Sparky the Fire Dog gets the bicycle parade started. (Right) Herr Frank Cornelius, FRAPORT Public Relations Manager, takes a bite of pie during the American Apple Pie Contest July 2. Herr Cornelius was among four judges who had to select from among the 11 pies competing. Kaelynn Orland won the contest, while Xavier Presley took second and Jolene Heater came in third. (Below) Little Flavor perform a dance routine for a crowd of more than 200.*



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*Photos by  
Tech. Sgt. Matt  
Summers and  
Airman 1st Class  
Eric Donner*



*Robert Cotton & Friends perform blues and jazz favorites for the crowd.*





# Rhein-Main Air Base HOMETOWN CELEBRATION



*(Right) Jacy Cunningham, 12-year-old daughter of Tech. Sgt. James and Linda Cunningham, portrays the Statue of Liberty during a youth center presentation July 2 at the Rhein-Main Hometown Celebration sponsored by the 469th Air Base Group Services Flight and the Rhein-Main Community Spouses Club. (Left) Senior Airman Donald Shaut, 469th Security Forces Flight, gives instructions to Serena Logan, 3-year-old daughter of Staff Sgt. Mike and Lisa Logan, before she tackles the Figure-8 safety course during the bicycle rally.*



# Rhein-Main blotter

compiled by Staff Sgt. Mark Long

**June 7** — The 64th Replacement Company Charge-of-Quarters Desk reported a soldier who was intoxicated and being disorderly. Patrols were briefed and dispatched. The suspect was apprehended for Article 91 - Insubordinate Conduct toward an NCO, Article 117- Provoking Speech and Gestures and Article 134 - Drunk and Disorderly.

**June 9** — The law enforcement desk received a call reporting a verbal assault. A patrol was briefed and dispatched. The victim stated that he was awakened by yelling in the hall and went to ask the suspect to be quiet. The suspect then began to verbally assault the victim. The suspect was apprehended and was too intoxicated to be advised of his rights. He was released and informed to return the following day. Five Victim Witness Assistance Program forms were issued.

**June 11** — The LE desk received a call from the victim of a assault which occurred at contingency lodging. Patrols were notified and dispatched. Patrols arrived on scene and made contact with the victim, who stated that he was physically assaulted by the

suspect. The suspect was apprehended for assault.

**June 12** — The security forces control center received a call via 911 reporting smoke emitting from a dormitory. Patrols responded and made contact with the fire chief. He relayed the fire was caused by an individual leaving cooking oil unattended on the stove. The individual was treated and released. The damage was assessed.

**June 16** — An individual reported that he had been assaulted at a concert. A patrolman was notified and made contact with the individual. He relayed the assault was by two unknown individuals. The victim attempted to defend himself and the suspects ran off. The suspect contacted concert security, which came up with negative findings. There were no leads, suspects or witnesses.

**June 19** — I.H.S. personnel reported a vehicle had run gate 6 in Gateway Gardens. Patrols received license plate and a description of the vehicle and began sector searches. Patrols stopped the vehicle in Gateway Gardens. Patrols noticed an odor of alcoholic beverage emitting from the driver's breath. A field sobriety test was conducted. The driver failed all portions of the test. The driver was detained and transported.

**June 22** — An individual re-

**Crime Stop Hotline**  
**330-7171**

ported that two females were smoking marijuana at the Rocket Sports Lounge with an unknown male individual. Patrols were dispatched. Contact was made with the females and they were brought in for questioning and later both confessed to the act. The unknown male was later identified.

**June 25** — Medical personnel from the fire department responded to family housing for a fire extinguisher mishap. Two juveniles took the fire extinguisher from the stairwell and discharged it. They sprayed it into each other's eyes. The juveniles parents were suspected of child neglect under Article 124 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. The juveniles were released to the 469th Air Base Group first sergeant.

**July 2** — An I.H.S. guard from the main gate reported a soldier at his location was urinating in the Bundesweher weapons clearing barrel. Patrols responded and detained the soldier for indecent exposure and drunk and disorderly. The soldier stated he thought the clearing barrel was a urinal.



## DUI Tracker

### Days without DUIs (As of Tuesday)

#### 469th Air Base Group

73 days

#### 726th Air Mobility Squadron

162 days

#### 64th Replacement Company

53 days

#### Tenant Units

18 days

#### Others

175 days

The 469th ABG Top IV provides a

fund at the main gate for permanent party personnel who take a taxi back to the base instead of driving while intoxicated.

The money used must be reimbursed the next duty day.



# Officials detail realignment process

## Posturing of U.S. forces to meet shifting national security policy; 12,500 troops cut from Korea

By Jim Garamone  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — The realignment of U.S. forces in the world will mirror the changing threats and be a result of a fundamental shift in national security, the DOD undersecretary for policy told the House Armed Services Committee on June 23.

Douglas Feith said that the effort now under way thinks through how U.S. forces may be used in the coming decades. Key to this thinking is that the United States will be working with allies in the full range of military operations, from combat to peace.

President Bush ordered Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld to study where U.S. troops are based in the world and realign them to mirror the new security environment. In South Korea, the effort has already resulted in a reduction of 12,500 U.S. servicemembers in that country. DOD officials tout that while that drops the numbers of troops, it does not diminish the capabilities of U.S. forces in the region.

Mr. Feith said U.S. global posture is the legacy of World War II and the Korean War. "And after the Cold War ended, there were substantial reductions taken, but they were reductions in place," he said. "They were really not a realignment of our forces around the world."

In Korea, many U.S. positions are ex-

actly where they were when the fighting stopped in 1953, Secretary Rumsfeld said.

Mr. Feith pointed to the realignment's premise: One important national security asset the United States possesses is its network of alliances and defense partnerships. That concept is one of five ideas that has shaped thinking on the realignment issue, he said. DOD officials want to expand allied roles and build new partnerships.

"Secondly, we wanted to develop the flexibility to contend with uncertainty," he said. During the Cold War, the threat was the Soviet Union. The United States was committed to defend Western Europe. U.S. troops were in place and equipment pre-positioned for them if the Soviets came through the Fulda Gap corridor that ran through then-East Germany into West Germany. That is no longer the case.

"We have found that we've engaged in military operations over the last dozen years or so in places where nobody anticipated engaging in military operations," he said. "And it is clear that one of the most important phenomena in the world today is uncertainty."

U.S. forces must be positioned around the world so they can respond to events, Mr. Feith said. "We do not believe that we know where we might have to do military operations," he said. "We therefore cannot be confident that we are based where we're going to fight. And for that reason, we need to have a force posture that allows for flexibility."

Military leaders will focus not only within regions, but also across regions. "The idea that we have forces, for example, in Europe that are going to fight in Europe

or forces on the Korean peninsula that are dedicated to Korean contingencies, is no longer our thought," Mr. Feith said.

Combatant commanders will no longer "own" forces, he said. "(Secretary Rumsfeld) makes clear to everybody, the only person who owns forces, as it were, is the president, who can use the armed forces of the United States across regions as necessary," he said.

The United States also needs rapidly deployable capabilities.

"That's a concept that has many parts, ... but among those parts are not simply where you are putting facilities, but also how the forces are organized, how pre-positioned equipment is configured, so that you have the ability to move a battalion somewhere without having to unpack a division's worth of equipment," he said. "We need to have capabilities that are readily deployable."

Finally, the key measure of effectiveness is not the numbers of forces, but the capability of those forces. The number of forces in a country is not an adequate measure of U.S. commitment, he said. Rather, the capability the U.S. presence brings is paramount.

"What we are stressing is the importance of capabilities," Mr. Feith said. "And the goal of our realignment is to push capabilities forward so that we have greater ability to fulfill our commitments and to perform military operations as needed."

United States officials will continue to speak with allies worldwide on this program. They will continue to negotiate with allies on the American footprint in their regions, Mr. Feith said.



## Closure Corner

This section is devoted to giving the Rhein-Main Community the most up-to-date information concerning base closure issues. All dates presented in this section are subject to change based on: manpower figures, personnel assignment information and ongoing U.S. Air Forces in Europe coordination.

### Services

**Q:** Will any of the Morale, Welfare and Recreation/Services supplies or equipment be sold to base personnel?

**A:** Services units are corporately obligated to offer non-appropriated funds and appropriated funds equipment and furnishings to command and downrange installations. After that obligation has been met, services may conduct periodic non-appropriated fund sales. These sales will be publicized throughout the community.

**Q:** When will the TKS office close in the base exchange?

**A:** TKS cable and phone is currently scheduled to cease operations in the base exchange in August 2005.



Photo by Raustin Hernandez

## Back of the net

*Chris Hernandez of the Rhein-Main Varsity Soccer Team converts the game-winning penalty kick (5-4) in action June 20 at the 2004 Krombacher Business Cup Fussball Tournament at the former Eintracht Frankfurt stadium in Frankfurt. Rhein-Main finished 13th in a field of 26 teams and received the "Good Sportsmanship" Award from the president of Eintracht Frankfurt. Hernandez, a defenseman, scored his first goal ever during the penalty kick phase of the match. Rhein-Main goalie Nick Musgrove stopped an opponent's attempt to set up Hernandez's heroics. Anyone interested in playing soccer can contact Hernandez at 330-7275.*

## Sports Briefs

### Volleyball tournament

The Rocket Sports Lounge sponsors a sand volleyball tournament beginning at noon Saturday. Format is 3-on-3.

Food and drink specials are available between games.

Call the fitness center at 330-6062 to sign up.

### Fun run

Join the fitness center for a 5K fun run/walk set for 3:30 p.m. July 22.

### Fitness challenge

July's Flight Fitness Challenge is set for 3:30 p.m. July 29 at the fitness center.

Come and see Rhein-Main units compete for fitness fame and glory in events including a 1.5-mile run, push-ups, sit-ups dips and a four-person relay race.

### Pool tournament

The Rocket Bowling Center sponsors a pool tournament from noon to 10 p.m. Saturday. Call the bowling center at 330-7219 for more details.

### Apply within

The fitness center is looking for people interested in umpiring or teaching aerobics classes. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Wade Washom.

### Fun run results

James Weaver, 15, crossed the finish line in a winning time of 17:26 to take the title at the Rhein-Main Hometown Holiday Celebration Firecracker 5K run July 2 in Gateway Gardens. Seventeen runners took part in the race.



Weaver

## Softball scoreboard as of Wednesday

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	T
Lufthansa	5	4	0
SFS	4	4	1
ETC	4	4	1
Consulate	3	5	0
64th RC	0	8	0



### Wednesday

Fire Department 23 - 469th ABG 17  
Fire Department 13 - 726th AMS 3

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L
Fire Department	9	2
469th ABG	8	2
726th AMS	8	2
TSTA	2	6
AFN	1	8

### Tuesday's Games

6 p.m. - 469th ABG vs. AFN  
7 p.m. - 726th AMS vs. TSTA  
8 p.m. - Fire Department vs. AFN

### Wednesday's Games

6 p.m. - TSTA vs. 469th ABG  
7 p.m. - AFN vs. 726th AMS  
8 p.m. - TSTA vs. Fire Department

### July 20 Games

6 p.m. - 469th ABG vs. 726th AMS

The post-season tournament is set to start following the end of the regular season and will feature the top four teams in each league.

For more details, call the fitness center at 330-7151.

(Scores compliments of Rhein-Main Fitness Center)

### June 29

469th ABG 12 - Lufthansa 6  
SFS 8 - Fire Department 2

### June 30

469th ABG 21 - Consulate 8  
726th AMS 12 - ETC 8  
Fire Department 13 - Lufthansa 10

### July 1

ETC 17 - AFN 16  
726th AMS 12 - 64th RC 0  
TSTA 13 - SFS 8

## Vacation Bible school

Lava Lava Island, Where Jesus' love flows, is the title of this summer's vacation bible school set for Monday through July 16 at the base chapel.

Registration is under way at the chapel for children who will be in grades Kindergarten through 7th this fall. Adult and teen volunteers are needed for: station leaders, crew leaders and behind the scenes.

Call 330-7501 for more information.

## Positive parenting

The family support center offers the first of a two-part Positive Parenting Class from 6 - 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at Our House.

This class helps parents discipline 2 to 12 year olds in an effective, yet loving way. Child care is available upon request.

Call 330-7992 for more information or to sign up.

## Water park adventure

The family support center and community spouses club sponsor a trip July 16 to a local water park. The bus will leave the

shoppette at 8:30 a.m. and return at approximately 4 p.m.

The main attraction of the water park is a wave pool. There is also three tube slides, an adventure pool, whitewater canal, Lazy River, children's paradise and nine saunas.

Call 330-7992 for more details.

## Youth center barbecue

Free to all youth center members from 5-7 p.m. July 16. The lineup includes hot dogs, hamburgers, music and basketball. Volunteers welcome.

Call 330-7125 for more details.

## Cook your own steak

The Zeppelinhaus hosts Cook Your Own Steak Night from 5-8 p.m. July 16.

Customers can enjoy dining on the patio while listening to blues and jazz provided by solo artist Robert Cotton.

Cost is \$8.50 for adults, \$4.25 for kids under 12 and free for children under four years old.

## Newcomers meeting

Newcomers orientation is mandatory for personnel newly assigned to Rhein-Main. The next orientation is set for 8 a.m. July 20 at the Zeppelinhaus.

Key base agencies provide important information about living and working on base. The first portion of the orientation is in the Z-Haus. A briefing at the clinic follows. Spouses are invited to attend.

## Walking tour

The family support center offers a walking tour of Frankfurt beginning at 7:30 a.m. July 22 at the shoppette parking lot.

The tour covers use of public transportation and provides a brief history of Frankfurt. Participants should wear civilian clothes and comfortable walking shoes. The FSC staff suggests bringing at least 25 Euros for lunch and extras.

Call 330-7992 for more details.

## Cowboy breakfast

The Zeppelinhaus hosts a Cowboy Breakfast consisting of steak and eggs,

## Movies at Rhein-Main

**Tonight** - "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban," (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday** - "Johnson Family Vacation," (PG-13), 5 p.m., and "The Punisher," (R), 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday** - "Connie and Carla," (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday** - "The Notebook," (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**July 16** - "Kill Bill Vol. 2," (R), 7 p.m.

**July 17** - "Garfield," (PG), 5 p.m., and "Envy," (PG-13), 7:30 p.m.

**July 18** - "Ella Enchanted," (PG), 7 p.m.

**July 20** - "Spider-Man 2," (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**July 21** - "Spider-Man 2," (PG-13), 7 p.m.

Movies and times are subject to change.

Movie schedules for local communities can be found at

[www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp](http://www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp)

hash browns and baked beans.

Cost is \$6.50 for adults, \$3.25 for kids under 12 and free for children under four.

## Holiday Park trip

A trip to Holiday Park July 24 is open to all youth center members 6 years old and up. Participants under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a parent.

Participants should bring enough money for park admission and food.

Registration begins Monday at the youth center.

## Children's theater

Rhein-Main youth can try out for the "Jungle Book with a Twist," presented by the Missoula Children's Theater.

Tryouts begin at 9 a.m. July 26 in the youth center gym and kicks off the children's theater clinic that runs through July 31. The clinic fee is \$10.

Call 330-7125 for more details.

## Chapel Worship

The following worship opportunities are offered by the Rhein-Main Chapel:

### ■ Catholic worship:

Sunday Mass takes place at 9 a.m. every Sunday.

Penance - 8-8:30 a.m. Sunday or by appointment.

### ■ Protestant worship:

Worship and Kids Own Church take place every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.



■ Vacation Bible School "Lava Lava Island," is set for 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. July 12-16. Parents can pick up registration forms at the chapel.

Call 069-699-7501 for more information.

## Aschaffenburg

## City rooted in religious history

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Finding cities older than the United States is not a challenge in Germany. In fact, almost every town around is older than the constitution. However, each city is unique and offers a little different flavor.

Aschaffenburg is no exception.

Aschaffenburg is one of the closest towns in Bavaria and offers all the experience of other well known Bavarian towns.

The most prominent sight in the town is the Johannisburg Castle, constructed from 1605 to 1614. The castle was the center of the city defense during the 17th century. However, the city's history dates to well before the construction of the castle.

In 975 the Duke Liudolf of Swabia founded the Aschaffenburg convent of St. Peter. This convent became the main convent of Mainz and the second residence of the archbishop of Mainz. The Stiftskirche, built around 974, served as the center of the convent.

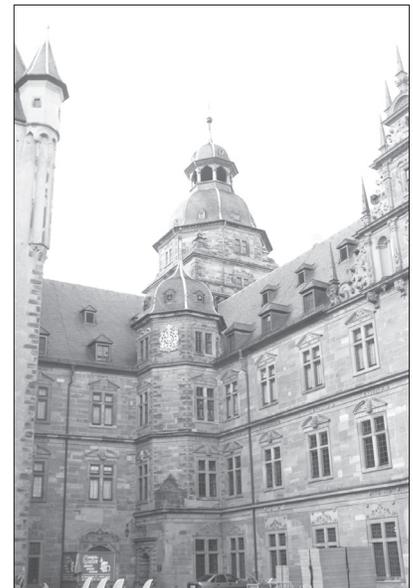
Aschaffenburg finished the first wooden bridge across the Main River in 989. As such, it served as an important trading post in the Maingau region. From the 12th century the city was allowed several privileges that contributed to its growth. In 1144 the city was allowed to hold a market, in 1155 it could mint and it was named a free city in 1173.

As the second residence of the archbishop of Mainz it became the most relevant bastions of the arch-bishopric in the 14th century.

In the 18th century the parks Schönbusch, Schöntal, Fasanerie and the Schloßgarten were built after the examples of English landscape gardens. Today, these gardens and parks are still a great place to escape the city and experience a quiet walk through the woods.



***Johannisburg Castle, constructed between 1605 and 1614, is the most prominent structure in the ancient city of Aschaffenburg, only 40 minutes east of Frankfurt. The castle was the center of the city's defense in the 17th century. The castle's library has a number of rare incunabulum, or books, single sheets and images printed in Europe before 1500.***



### ***If you go...***

Aschaffenburg is located just off of Autobahn 3. From the main gate, take Autobahn 5 toward Frankfurt and then Autobahn 3 toward Wuerzburg. From the back gate, take 43 toward Frankfurt and then follow the sign for the A3.