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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Dear members of the
E-3A Component!



For the first time as the Commanding General of this Component, let me take this opportunity to wish you and yours the best for this holiday season and for a happy new year. As we prepare to spend some quality time with our friends and families, I feel that it is appropriate to reflect on what we've accomplished this past year, and to contemplate the things we have to look forward to next year and beyond.

By the end of this month, this Component will have flown slightly over 8,000 hours in 2009. These flying hours have included more than 400 hours in support of various High Visibility Events, including the NATO Summit in April, the G8 Summit in July, and most recently, the Nobel Prize Award Ceremony earlier this month. Let us remember that these hours also required more than 70 deployments to various locations

around the world, away from our families and loved ones.

And we should also not forget the countless hours on the ground by our maintenance and support personnel to ensure each hour in the air was successful. If not for their hard work and initiative, we would not have been able to sustain our flying hours, much less begin implementation of such projects as the Computer Upgrade Program, LAIRCM and the Mode 5 enhancements. Additionally, we should not fail to recognize the efforts of our security personnel and other support team members who ensured we all could work in peace and tranquillity. For these efforts, I commend you all.

However, if 2009 was busy, 2010 will be even busier. Currently, we find ourselves at a very important juncture in the history of our Component. We continue preparations to tackle operations

in possible support of NATO's ISAF and Counter-piracy objectives, where we may be deploying to an austere, unfamiliar environment and employing concepts new to our way of thinking. Additionally, we will soon feel the effects of a Peacetime Establishment review that will cut our civilian and military manpower.

Even though we face these challenges, I know that the drive and determination of the people here at Geilenkirchen will continue to overcome any obstacle, as it always has. There has never been any doubt in my mind that we are capable of accomplishing any mission put in front of us and that we will not only meet, but exceed expectations.

Finally, to put things into perspective, let us not forget the tribute to our fellow NATO men and women in the field: more than 80,000 people and growing, many far from home, at a time when being

at home means so much. It may sound clichéd, but it is still true that those people living in NATO countries enjoy the security they have in large part due to the work that they do. And if we deploy to support these forces in the field, we will go there to significantly add to that security.

I know that there is much to look forward to next year, but please, be safe, and enjoy some much-needed holiday rest. Let me again wish you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year. I look forward to seeing you all again in 2010.

Burkhard Pototzky
BRIG GEN BURKHARD POTOTZKY

Good-bye Colonel Mack!



Photo Andrea Hohenforst

Friday, 11 December 2009, it's about 1430: Col. Reinhard Mack, outgoing Commander Base Support Wing, landed for the last time at the E-3A Component. His last flight was conducted over the northern part of Germany and included air-to-air refuelling. Many colleagues from the Component and friends from off base came to a very windy spot on the flight line to witness Colonel Mack's last landing. First he performed a final low approach to say good-bye and thank you and shortly afterwards he landed the E-3A and parked it on spot 8.

As tradition requires, the Component Fire Brigade

presented him with a very nice but cold hose down. Once he was completely wet, Squadron 3 members put him into a small specially built 'aircraft' and drove him to the Bavarian Keller where a farewell ceremony was held.

With this last landing an impressive flying career came to an end. Col. Mack flew more than 4,800 hours, mainly in RF-4E, F-4F, MiG-29 and of course E-3A (580 hours.) and TCA aircraft (1,000 hours). Col. Mack will retire from the German Air Force 31 December 2009 and of course we all wish him many very healthy and pleasant years of retirement.



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The Christmas spirit is still alive

Text and photo Capt. Jolene Ortiona

The "Top Three" is an on-base organization with a membership consisting of the top three enlisted ranks in the U.S. Air Force. They took the lead and in conjunction with many other volunteers, including the Company Grade Officer Association (CGOC) on the U.S. side, volunteers from the U.S. Post Office and also German NCOs, the Top Three treated the children of the Hückelhoven Children's Home to their third annual Christmas Extravaganza. Every year the event gets bigger and more complex. This year the event outgrew its location at the Hückelhoven Home and was held in the Alliance Restaurant and Club 13 at JFC Brunssum. Months of planning culminated in a Christmas scene that would melt even Scrooge's heart.

"Watching those kids, wide eyes and huge smiles, as they opened their gifts was truly a gift in itself."

"This is their highlight yearly event. The tasty food, the games and the presents, the children were so excited about this day," said Patrick Kaumanns, teacher at the Hückelhoven Home.

The Hückelhoven Home houses 15 children in two buildings. The kids range in age from 8 to 17 and on average stay for about two years, although some children stay much longer.

"CMSgt. Nick Banda suggested this Christmas party as a community service project about three years ago, and it's gotten bigger and more boisterous ever since. It's a blast for the kids, and being there to see the light in those children's eyes has been one of the best experiences of my tour at GK," said CMSgt. Thomas Sigmon. "Our committee chair, SMSgt. Derek Ronning, reached out across the Component this year and pulled together a hugely talented group of volunteers. Based on his vision, next year we hope to expand this event to include two more children's homes in the local area, and to involve an even wider cross-section of international volunteers. My hat's off to everyone who pitched in to make this party a success."

The children were serenaded with Christmas carols as they made their way through the door,



Children from the Hückelhoven Home enjoyed opening presents and showing them off to each other.

and while the adults put the finishing touches on the Christmas feast downstairs, the children enjoyed games and crafts.

A marshmallow throwing competition, a scavenger hunt, Christmas Bingo, Gingerbread

House decorating and ornament making put everyone into a festive spirit.

Before enjoying the feast, the children put on a small pageant as a thank you for the volunteers and presented the Top Three with a framed picture signed by all the children. Everyone was then treated to the Christmas feast which was prepared by an all-volunteer force. After eating, the kids were even more excited about their favorite part of the day, the opening of presents.

Members of the Top Three sponsored the children and, in coordination with the Home's director, did their best to make their Christmas wish-lists come to life. The presents were distributed and all the kids opened their gifts at the same time.

"This was the point where I and every other volunteer received our gift," said SMSgt Derek Ronning. "Watching those kids, wide eyes and huge smiles, as they opened their gifts was truly a gift in itself."

In addition to individual presents, bigger presents were donated for each house, a foosball table for the older children and two giant two-man go-karts for the younger children. At the end of the evening, happy children and happy adults made their way home secure in knowing the Christmas spirit is still alive and well.



Painting

During the official ceremony for the achievement of 100,000 flight hours of the Flight Simulator, 28 Aug 2009, Mr. Klaus Niessen, chief operating officer in CAE Stolberg had presented to Brig. Gen. Burkhard Pototzky a small draft picture. Since then the painting by Mr. Antonio de Lemos Viana, a Portuguese artist, has been finished. During a Training Day on 27 November, Mr. Klaus Niessen presented it to Brig. Gen. Pototzky and Training Wing Commander Col. Francesco d'Asta in the main hall way. The painting's motif is typical for the Training Wing. Around the centre of the NATO star symbols and crew positions characterize the teamwork and spirit of the TW goals and objectives.

Photo Andrea Hohenforst



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IYA Christmas Party



Photos Chris Braun

On Wednesday, 9 December the IYA celebrated their yearly Christmas Party at the Officers' Club. More than 120 children participated in this popular event.

It was an exciting program including seasonal games,

refreshments, cakes and the presentation of the Christmas Colouring Contest winners.

The highlight of the afternoon was when Santa Claus stopped by bringing a little gift and taking the time to talk to each child.

IYA Christmas colouring contest

Again young artists of many different nationalities participated and submitted beautiful pictures. These are the winners:

Ages 3-5:

1. Annika Braun, 5.
2. Phoebe Prescott, 4.
3. Philip Sørensen, 5.

Ages 6-8:

1. Talia Hay, 8.
2. Martina Capasso, 8.
3. Cameron Tarrant, 7.

Ages 9-12:

1. Ellysa Wood, 11.
2. Andrea Marchena, 9,
and Zoe Wellershausen, 9.
3. Nathan Rogers, 11,
and Martime Redgwell, 10.

Congratulations!



Annika Braun was awarded the 1st place in age group 3 to 5.

Season's health and safety tips

By Dr. Helmut Stienen

Christmas is coming soon. In preparation for the upcoming holidays many offices, workplaces and also homes are decorated. This warm and cosy atmosphere has a long and good tradition.

For making this time safe and enjoyable for everyone you should consider the following suggestions:

- Christmas trees and other decorations should not become a safety risk by obstructing escape routes, posing a fire hazard or hiding emergency equipment e.g. fire extinguishers or first aid kits.
- Artificial fragrances like scented candles, sprays or sticks contain

a range of chemicals, particularly in combination with combustion products. These are known for having the potential for causing health problems like allergic reactions or irritations to eyes and/or the respiratory tract. On these grounds these items should be used in a reasonable manner on special occasions only and not in the presence of susceptible individuals. Under no circumstances should they lead to a long-term exposure in the workplace or at home.

Best wishes to all of you and have a peaceful time and a Safe, Healthy and Happy New Year.

The Turkish community celebrates the Festival of Sacrifice

Text and photo Maj. Ziya Kabasakal

The Turkish Community gathered in the Frisbee Club on 29 November to celebrate the Festival of Sacrifice. More than one hundred people, including civilian personnel and their families, were present for this special occasion.

The festival is considered to be one of the holiest days in the Muslim calendar. The Festival of Sacrifice, however, has more meaning in the Turkish culture than it does in terms of religion. It is regarded as an opportunity for families to come together and show social unity, and provide those who are in need with food.

Lt. Col. Fikret Çelik, the Turkish SNR, made a speech during the event. He pointed out that he was pleased to see The Festival attained its main objective, that is, it brought together members of the Turkish community here at Geilenkirchen. He further stated

that there are many words in the Turkish language meaning "festival/celebration," which is a good indication of how well-integrated festivals are into the Turkish culture. "Whatever the name may be," he concluded, "we should strive to capitalize on them to promote our cultural values of peace and unity."

What made this year's Festival even more interesting was that it coincided with Thanksgiving Day. Though celebrated for different reasons, values promoted by both special occasions are indeed very similar.

In addition to congratulating one another and socializing, members of the Turkish community also enjoyed the delicious food prepared by the Frisbee Club. The occasion concluded with Lt. Col. Çelik handing out, as it is the tradition for the seniors to do in such occasions in Turkey, pocket money as gifts to children celebrating the event.

Holiday meal fit for a King

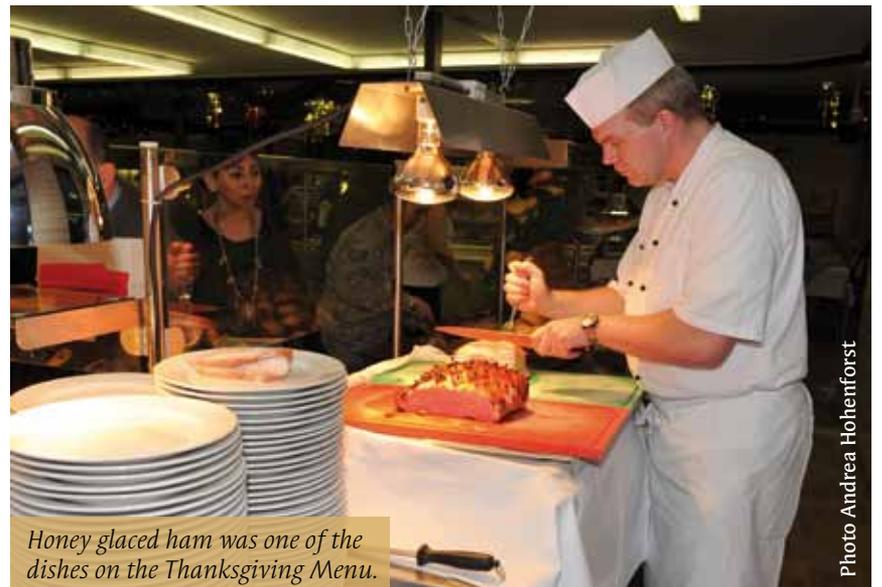


Photo Andrea Hohenforst

Honey glazed ham was one of the dishes on the Thanksgiving Menu.

By SMSgt. Bob Bell

On 25 November more than 650 members of our international NATO family came together at the International Dinning Hall (IDH) to share a meal in true holiday spirit. This is a time-honoured tradition in the United States and since long it has been one of the Component's favourite annual events here at Geilenkirchen.

The meal was prepared by the Chefs at the IDH, which included a smorgasbord of traditional Thanksgiving items, with a touch of international flavour. The menu included turkey, ham, beef, wild boar, fish, vegetables, potatoes and a wide variety of delicious desserts, and yes we didn't forget the pumpkin pie, which was particularly good this year. The facility itself was decorated

by the staff in spectacular fashion, with each table dressed to the very last detail. As always we featured our very own gingerbread house full of candy, which proved to be one of the most wanted stops for the children in attendance. Speaking of the kids, care packages were carefully prepared for each and sent home with the parents as a way to honour and appreciate the youngsters, who the holiday season is truly all about.

Many hours of planning, ordering and preparation went into making this event into a tremendous success, which will be remembered "as one of the best" ever offered here at the International Dining Facility.

The staff of the IDH would like to thank the Component for their overwhelming support for the event and wish you and your family a safe and wonderful holiday season.

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- 22 April - **Dual Change of Command ceremony**

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April

- AWACS model, scale 1:11 built by Component member **Frank Jordine**.



February

- New fitness machines for the gym.



May

- 24 March
AWACS versus NRW Landtag soccer game



March

- The NATO Meritorious Service **Medal for distinguished service and exceptional job performance**, a prestigious award, was given to Col. Jelle Zijlstra, Lt.Col. Jim Schouman and Capt. Harry Walter.

- 19 June - Deployment to Forward Operating Base Konya in **preparation of Operation Afghan Assist**.



June

High Visibility Events

- 19-20 Feb NATO MoD meeting, Krakow (POL)
- 31 March International Conference on Afghanistan, The Hague (NDL)
- 3-4 April NATO Summit, Strasbourg (FRA)
- 4-5 April President of the U.S. visit to Prague (CZE)
- 4-5 June President of the U.S. visit to Germany (DEU)
- 7-11 July G-8 Summit L'Aquila (ITA)
- 1-2 Oct President of the U.S. visit for Olympic Games meeting Copenhagen (DNK)
- 10 Dec - UN Climate Change Conference Copenhagen (DNK)

(information updated until 14 Dec 09)

Events within and beyond

- 25 April - **International Children's Festival** organized by the Turkish Support Unit. A fun-filled afternoon with outdoor activities attracted more than 1,000 visitors.



- 30-31 May- The Italian military organized **the National Republic Day event** in Geilenkirchen's city centre with a parade and shows by gladiators.

THE YEAR 2009 - AN OVERVIEW

July

- 18-19 July – NATO AWACS and TCA participate in **Royal International Air Tattoo, U.K.** known as the world's largest military air show with theme "NATO 60th anniversary".



October



- 1 October
The modernized Component emblem was implemented.

August

- 28 August - **Flight Simulator** celebrates its **100,000 hours**.
- **Maj. Milan Vojacek** joins Component as the first Czech officer. The Czech Republic is expected to fully join the E-3A Component in 2010.



- The Component's website had the introduction of the E-3A visual tour. The website has an average of more than 17,000 visitors per month.
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November

- 6 November – The Officers' Club hosts official Component Autumn Ball for personnel, family and friends.



September

- 15 September – Re-opening of the Command Post after the renovation project: **21st century technology for Operations facility.**



HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

December

and the gate

- 27 June - "**GK Goes Africa**" event for APOPO, an organization supporting the detection of land mines.
- 11-13 September - Terry Fox campaign raising money for Cancer research with as highlight the annual **Terry Fox Run** in Geilenkirchen
- 26-27 September - **Oktoberfest** for personnel and guests from the local community. The proceeds will be donated to charity in the local area.



- 31 Oktober - **925 Euro** was collected by Component swimmers at the Oberbruch Indoor swimming pool for sick children in the local area.

- 6 November **Cross Country Run** – with 102 international participants from civilian organisations, police and military organizations.



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Ice Sculpture Festival in Roermond

By Amn David Pohl

Until 28 February the city of Roermond, the Netherlands presents an incomparable experience by displaying numerous ice sculptures. The event takes place at the Designer Outlet in Roermond. Fifty international artists have been working at 8 degrees below zero on ice and snow sculptures.

Sculptures of ice have always fascinated people, regardless of their age. The lifetime of a sculpture is determined primarily by the temperature of its environment and thus, a sculpture can last from mere minutes to possibly months, the ones made from ice can be abstract or realistic and can be functional or purely decorative.

Of course techniques play a decisive role: The temperature of the environment affects how quickly the piece must be completed to avoid the effects of melting; if the sculpting does not take place in a cold environment, then the sculptor must work quickly to finish his piece. Some sculptures can be completed



in as little as ten minutes if the carver is using power tools such as chainsaws and specialty bits fitted to a die grinder. Ice sculptors also use razor-sharp chisels that are specifically designed for cutting ice.

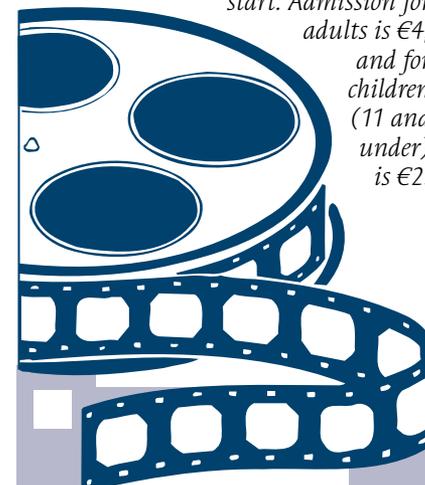
As various technologies are adapted for use with ice carving, many sculptures are now created largely by machine. CNC machines and moulding systems are now

commonly used to create ice sculptures and complicated logos from ice. Colour effects are also possible by a number of techniques, including the addition of coloured gels or sand to the ice.

In case you want to know more about the daily opened event, you can check out <http://www.sculpture-events.com> or simply visit the 'Isculpturefestival' yourself.

JFC HQ Alliance Theatre presents

The theatre is located in Building #406, JFC HQ Brunssum, the Netherlands. Doors open 30 minutes prior to film start. Admission for adults is €4, and for children (11 and under) is €2.



Jennifer's Body (R)

Friday, 18 December, 1930
Megan Fox, Amanda Seyfried

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)

Saturday, 19 December, 1600
Anna Faris, Bruce Campbell

Couples Retreat (PG-13)

Saturday, 19 December, 1900
Vince Vaughn, Jason Bateman

HOLIDAY OPERATING HOURS CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR 2009/2010

DINING

Officers' Club
21 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
31 Dec Open for New Year's Eve Ball (tickets required)
04 Jan Normal Operation

Frisbee Club
21 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation

Sentry Club
24-26 Dec CLOSED
27-30 Dec 1000-1800 hrs
31 Dec-01 Jan CLOSED
02-03 Jan 10-1800 hrs
04 Jan Normal operation

International Dining Hall
21-23 Dec 0500-0830 Breakfast
1100-1315 Lunch
1630-1830 Dinner
24-27 Dec 0730-0930 Breakfast
1100-1330 Lunch
No dinner
28-30 Dec 0730-0930 Breakfast
1100-1315 Lunch
No dinner
31 Dec-03 Jan Weekend hours
04 Jan Normal operation

Please Note:

Dinner will not be served during the Christmas holiday period.

Ground Feeding:

Cold boxed dinners are available but must be ordered one day in advance, prior to 1100 hrs and must be paid for in advance (preferably the day before) and collected by 1400 hrs.

RECREATION

Sports Department
21-23 Dec Normal Operation
24-26 Dec CLOSED
27 Dec 0800-1800 hrs
28-30 Dec Normal operation
31 Dec-01 Jan CLOSED
02-03 Jan 0800-1800 hrs
04 Jan Normal operation

Tanning Beds (Bldg 56, Old Squash Court)
Normal Operation (24 hrs)

Sauna
Closed until further notice

IYA
24 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation

Pre-School
18 Dec Last school day
04 Jan Back to school

Library
23 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation

Thrift Shop
17 Dec Last day of operation 2009
07 Jan First day of operation 2010

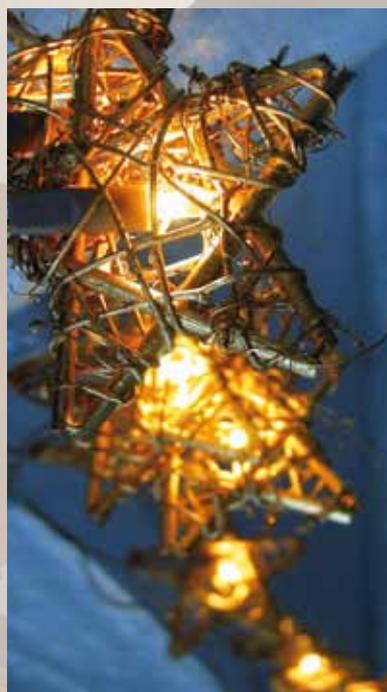
MISCELLANEOUS

Billeting Office
23 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation

Reservations for Christmas/New Year period need to be placed prior to 11 Dec.

VAT/Disbursing Office (Building 80)
24 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation

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28-30 Dec Normal operation
31 Dec-03 Jan CLOSED
04 Jan Normal operation



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MWA INFORMATION

January

IDH, Officers', Frisbee and Sentry Clubs now on the BASS LAN System. Menu information available under Public Folders/Base Support Wing/Services Squadron/Clubs or IDH. Also, check out the Services Squadron web page for programme information and upcoming events.

E-3A Component Clubs

Sunday brunch will alternate between Officers'/Frisbee Clubs. Members from both clubs are eligible to attend. Brunch price €15.75; show your valid Club card and get a 30% discount! Children 4-12 years half price. Reservations should be made NLT 1200 on the Friday before, Club cards are required. For additional information, please contact the Officers' Club, ext. 4990, or the Frisbee Club, ext. 4994.

- 03 No brunch due to holiday season.
- 10 No brunch due to special function.
- 17 Family brunch at the Officers' Club. Frisbee Club closed.
- 24 Brunch at the Frisbee Club. Officers' Club closed.
- 31 Spanish-style brunch at the Officers' Club. Frisbee Club closed.

Officers' Club (SWPO/4990)

Operating hours bar: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 1000-1800; Tuesday 1000-2000 and Friday 1000-1900. Restaurant: Monday-Friday 1130-1330; Sunday 1100-1400 (alternating with the Frisbee Club). Reservations are required for Sunday brunch by 1200 on the Friday before. Club cards required when using the Frisbee Club (ext. 4994). Lunch: Monday through Thursday; A la Carte menu served, a vegetarian menu also available, Friday buffet style lunch.

Throughout the month: membership appreciation. One time each month for each Officers' Club member, buy one drink of your choice and get an equivalent drink of your choice free of charge, Club cards required.

Tuesdays 1700-1800 Happy Hour, free snacks available; Fridays 1430-1700 Happy Hour, free snacks available.

The Officers' Club has rooms available for your conferences, meetings, presentations, lunches or Commanders' Call, make your reservations now.

Officers' Club participation in Frisbee Club events: During Frisbee Club opening hours, Officers' Club members are eligible to utilize the Frisbee Club for breakfast, dinner and Sunday brunch (on an alternating basis between the Frisbee and Officers' Clubs). Club cards required when Officers' Club members are using the Frisbee Club.

Cancellations for Officers' Club events will be accepted up to two days prior to the event on ext. 4990. After this time, a cancellation fee of €5 per person will be charged for non-excused absences.

Visit the Officers' Club Web Page on the Component Information Portal, through Base Support Wing,

Services Squadron, Clubs, for the latest information.

Special note:
Club closed on 14 & 22 January due to special functions.

Upcoming events:
18-21 Winter lunch-time specials.
22 Robert Burns Night, tickets on sale as of 5 Jan.
16 Feb Scampi night.
19 Feb Whisky Tasting.

Frisbee Club (SWPN/4994)

Make a reservation today at the Frisbee Grill and enjoy the cosy atmosphere and good food! Remember - the Frisbee Club is open for breakfast and dinner to all Frisbee and Officers' Club members (club cards required).

Every Monday-Thursday Happy Hour from 1700 until 1800; every Friday Happy Hour from 1430 until 1900 (including snacks at 1700).

Lunch 'buffet-style' menu, lunch specials and restaurant specials can be found on Frisbee Club Wise page. Lunch-time specials of the week in addition to the regular buffet are: Every Monday: Bratwurst, 'Frikandel Spezial' or pasta special of the week. Every Tuesday: 'Frisbee Burger' or pasta special of the week. Every Wednesday: Mussels, Autumn Soup/Eintopf or Haxen, pasta special of the week. Every Thursday: Homemade schnitzel or pasta special of the week. Every Friday: Steak, fish special or pasta special.

Every Monday and Friday steak night (normal restaurant times) - steak dinner only, reservations required.

Sentry Club (SWPJ/4997)

The famous book 'The Battle for Geilenkirchen' by Ken Ford will soon be available again at the Sentry Club.

The very popular Lindt Fioretto Chocolate is on sale again. Only €6 for 1x 850g bag. Sales point is Cashier's Cage.

In addition to the daily special, the Sentry Club also offers a weekend special, which will be advertised in the Sentry Club and also on the Component BASS LAN system.

Come along and try out our very popular, delicious pizzas or one of our freshly prepared salads available at the salad bar for a reasonable price.

Do you need support for conferences or meetings? The Sentry Club is able to assist i.e. with refreshments and food. For more information please contact the Sentry Club Management.

Take advantage of our off-sale operation. We can provide Warsteiner Beer in 30 Ltr. and 50 Ltr., different types of soft drinks in 1 Ltr. Bottles, tables and benches and more items to



help you to arrange your party. Please make sure to place your order in time, because there are certain items (i.e. tables, benches, beer wagons) that we have to order from our supplier. If you need any further information please contact the Sentry Club Management on ext. 4996.

Sports Department (SWPT/4946)

- 04 Registration begins for indoor soccer league.
- 12 Indoor soccer league coach meeting: 1000 at the Sentry Club.
- 28 Monthly sports event, different activities open for all personnel.
- 30 International invitational volleyball tournament, New Gym 0900-1800.

Opening hours Sports Department: Every day from 0600-2200.

International Library (SWPL/4956)

The operating hours are 1100-1500, Monday through Friday.

Visit the Geilenkirchen International Library and see the expanded travel section, books and guides for most European countries as well as other fantastic vacation destinations! They are there to help make your holiday travel-planning run smoothly. We also have compiled lists of discount airlines and hotel booking agencies to help you.

Remember to come back often, since a lot of the music and movie collections are frequently updated. We have material to help with your continuing education as well. The entire Embry Riddle section has been recently updated as well as many of the CLEP materials. We even have some CLEP material on DVD to help you make the grade. Don't be one of those unfortunate people who visit the library only during out-processing, only to realize how nice it would have been to use the facility while you had a chance. The friendly and helpful staff members are always available to assist you. Some brand new CDs and DVDs have arrived! Also, a 6th Internet computer has been installed for our customers. All computers are brand-new and have 17-inch LCD monitors.

International Pre-school (SWPS/4957)

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- 04 Back to school.
- 22 Teacher's training, NO school for children.

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are full, but we have a waiting list for everybody that is interested. Visit us or call the school's office at ext. 4957.

Thrift Shop (SWPG/4919)

Opening hours: 1000-1400 every Tuesday and Thursday.

Volkshochschule language courses

Volkshochschule, the official German College for Adults, is starting its winter - spring semester soon. Classes are held in Bldg 141. Register in class. Further information at ext. 4954. The following courses are offered:

GERMAN

Starting the week of 18 January 2010, the basic price for intensive German courses is €96 for 30 mornings/evenings.

A1, Beginners, Intensive Courses, Schritte 1, Monday & Wednesday 1000-1130, instructor Meral Alkan-Oncu, Room 118; Tuesday & Thursday, 1730-1900, instructor Christine Mertens, Room 118.

A1, Advanced Beginners, Intensive Courses, Schritte 2, Monday & Thursday, 0900-1030, instructor Tanja Rzeppa, Room 109; Tuesday & Thursday, 1730-1900, instructor Meral Alkan-Oncu, Room 109.

B1, Intensive Course, Schritte 4, Tuesday & Thursday, 1900-2030, instructor Christine Mertens, Room 118. (This course directly prepares you for the B1 exam, an internationally acknowledged degree. You will have the opportunity to take this exam.)

The basic price for the following course is €72 for 15 evenings (3 lessons):

B2, Monday, 1800-2030, instructor Christine Mertens, Room 118. (This course directly prepares you for the B2 exam, an internationally acknowledged degree. You will have the opportunity to take this exam.)

ITALIAN

Starting on 18 January 2010, the basic price for the Italian course is €48 for 15 evenings.

A1, Advanced Beginners, Espresso 1, Chapter 5, Monday, 1730-1900, instructor Letizia Pulizzi, Room 109.

ENGLISH

Starting on 12 January 2010, the basic price for intensive English courses is €77 for 24 mornings.

A1, Advanced Beginners, Intensive Course, book: Headway A2 Beginners, Chapter 5,

Tuesday & Thursday, 0830-1000, instructor Janet Budzyna, Room 118.

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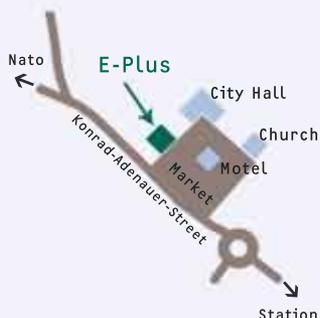
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