AROUND EUROPE

Helping hands: USACE and others bring virtual health care to Albanian hospitals

TIRANA, Albania -- “One of the greatest diseases is to be nobody to anybody,” said Mother Teresa, the Albanian Saint for whom the country’s largest hospital is named.

By connecting even the most remote regions of Albania to the global medical community, telemedicine is attempting to cure this disease.

Designated areas at the “Mother Teresa” University Hospital Center and three other major regional hospitals throughout the country are being renovated to house new telemedicine and e-health centers.

USACE helps build security and stability in Moldova

EDINET, Moldova -- The residents in the town of Edinet located in the northern part of the Republic of Moldova will soon have a newly renovated fire and rescue station with an emergency operations center.

Moldova is a developing country that declared its independence and established its boundaries in 1991, as part of the dissolution of the Soviet Union.

USACE, DoDDS, SHAPE to deliver schools to international community

MONS, Belgium -- As middle school students sang “This Land is Your Land,” U.S. and NATO officials turned the first of many shovels that will bring a new educational campus to the SHAPE community.

Representatives from SHAPE, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District, Department of Defense Dependants Schools-Europe, Belgian Federal Government and City of Mons marked the beginning of the first phase of construction on new facilities that will replace the aging SHAPE American and International Schools with a groundbreaking ceremony Jan. 11 on the SHAPE International School grounds.

Army, USACE open doors to new lodge

URALAS TRAINING AREA, Germany -- Ansbach is in the middle of a transformation.

The U.S. Army garrison opened the doors to new family housing and a community activity center this summer. Construction began on two child development centers and an auto skills center this fall as well as a new physical fitness center in design.
FEATURE

USACE supports healthy living

WIESBADEN, Germany – Katie Ergenekon, a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District program manager, and Raquel “Q” Blankenhorn, a contract specialist, are regulars in the Amelia Earhart Center gym. On any given morning, they can be seen on the treadmill, doing strength training, or working out on the exercise ball.

In addition to doing their own workouts, the two can be overhead giving encouragement and support to other gym goers, as well as demonstrating new exercises.

One morning, another employee approached Blankenhorn in the gym and explained how Blankenhorn inspires her to come to the gym. “I really like knowing I inspired someone,” Blankenhorn said. “That same woman suggested to Katie and me that we should do something for other employees looking to be encouraged and inspired.”

The result was the district’s Healthy Living Support Group.

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Corps of Engineers improves water system for troops in Afghanistan

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