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By Carola Meusel

USAG Stuttgart Public Affairs Office

When military families move to Germany, they may experience a degree of culture shock after their arrival. Experts say one of the best ways to cope is to learn about the new culture: its history, architecture, even the political system.

For those people looking to gain a better understanding of Germany, the Capital City Visitation Program is a good place to start.

The CCVP was established in 1993 by the U.S. Forces Liaison Office Baden-Württemberg to introduce U.S. service members and their families to Stuttgart and the state of Baden-Württemberg, according to Sean Schulze, the U.S. Forces interim liaison officer.

"The program is designed to give participants a glimpse into German political structures and culture to make them feel more comfortable when leaving the military installation," Schulze said. "When they learn about Germany on the local level, the country may become less foreign to them."

Since its inception, some 3,000 service and family members from Heidelberg, Karlsruhe, Mannheim and Stuttgart have participated in the program, which is supported by the Baden-Württemberg State

Parliament and the city of Stuttgart.

On May 6, 37 participants from the Stuttgart military community started a tour of the city at the Baden-Württemberg State Parliament, where they learned about Germany's 16 states and the parliament's political functions. At the plenary chamber they also participated in a mock plenary meeting and voting session to elect the parliament's president.

USFLO staffers also gave a presentation on the post-World War II period and German/American relations in Stuttgart.

"We aim to provide some information on why the U.S. Forces are stationed here," Schulze said. "Stuttgart played a major role in German/American relations after World War II."

Participants got an overview on the end of World War II, the Allied Forces and specifics on the U.S. Forces' presence in Stuttgart when they assumed control of the city July 8, 1945.

The presentation highlighted the Speech of Hope, or Stuttgart Speech, given by U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes Sept. 6, 1946, at the Stuttgart State Theater.

The speech set course for post-war engagements between the U.S. and Germany.

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*Safe HelpRoom allows sexual assault survivors in the military to connect and support one another.*

## DOD adds peer support chat sessions for sexual assault victims

American Forces Press Service

Pentagon officials have launched the Safe HelpRoom, a new service that allows sexual assault victims to participate in group chat sessions with one another in a moderated and secure online environment.

The initiative is in response to a need for peer support services identified by users of the Defense Department's Safe Helpline for sexual assault victims.

The Safe HelpRoom is available at <http://Safe-Helpline.org>, officials said, noting that a moderator can provide referrals as necessary and will ensure that chat postings adhere to all ground rules.

"Survivors of sexual assault have told us that being able to discuss their concerns with peers can provide a level of support not available through other means," said Jessica L. Wright, acting undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness. "Safe HelpRoom is a ground-breaking development in the department's commitment to support military victims of sexual assault."

Safe HelpRoom sessions will begin immediately and are available twice weekly in two-hour sessions. The session schedule can be found at <http://Safe-Helpline.org>, along with polls to determine session topics to address specific concerns.

The Safe HelpRoom and Safe Helpline are administered by the Defense Department and operated by the nonprofit organization Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network, the nation's largest anti-sexual-violence organization, through a contract with DOD's sexual assault prevention and response office.

When users visit Safe Helpline, the staff provides one-on-one tailored assistance and offers a variety of up-to-date service referrals for resources on and off military bases and installations. Service referrals include information for sexual assault response coordinators, along with legal, medical, mental health, and spiritual military resources.



S.J. Grady

## 'Thumbs up' to PHS grads

Graduating seniors Jamie Macpherson (from left), Josh Rivers, Caleb Winningham, Emily Hughes, Erica Eggleton and Beverlie Poblete are all smiles as they wait for the signal to move their tassels to the right during the commencement ceremony June 5. For story and more photos, see pages 11-13.

# America's Army: service to the nation, strength for the future

Commentary by Lt. Gen. Donald Campbell  
U.S. Army Europe commander

This month the United States Army will celebrate 238 years of deep commitment, abiding patriotism and indomitable spirit.

On June 14, 1775, our nation's leaders established the Continental Army, beginning a rich heritage of successfully defending our great country and its citizens. American Soldiers have fought in ten wars, from the American Revolution through the Cold War, the Gulf War and the current operations taking place around the world.



Lt. Gen. Campbell

Today, we celebrate the continued honor, loyalty and bravery of our Soldiers in this noble calling.

The long tradition of service and sacrifice of our Soldiers is matched only by our civilians and families. I could not be prouder to serve with you all today in United States Army Europe. As our nation faces fiscal uncertainty, difficult times and tough decisions, I look out into the ranks and there you

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stand — Soldiers, civilians, and families — unwavering, ready and resilient, in defense of our nation's flag and all that it stands for: equality, opportunity and freedom.

I want to personally thank our families for remaining a source of strength and resilience, our civilians for their steadfast dedication to the mission, and our Soldiers and veterans for their determination to defend our nation in a time of persistent conflict.

As we look to the future and recognize the challenges of this dynamic operational environment and the challenges it may pose, we all know that America's Army will confront each with the same unsurpassed courage, selflessness and dedication that has characterized our history for 238 years.

We truly are America's Army: service to the nation, strength for the future.

Happy Birthday!

## Ask the Commander

**Question:** My office recycles newspapers, soda cans, plastic yogurt containers. We take our recyclables to the on-base recycling bins. With the new trash policy (which I agree with, by the way), we don't want to have issues with the military police while we are recycling. How should my office should handle this?

**Answer:** You should not have to take your recyclables to the bins. The contracted cleaning crew is required to properly dispose of office recyclables. If you find this is not happening, you should report it via email to Dave Bowman, the U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Directorate of Public Works operations officer, at [dave.g.bowman.civ@mail.mil](mailto:dave.g.bowman.civ@mail.mil).

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## Thorns and Roses



Roses to the two military policemen who helped me change the flat tire on my SUV while on Patch Barracks on a cold, rainy and windy evening last month. They displayed a model of teamwork, efficiency and courteous behavior; and are a credit to our community. Thank you.

Roses to Matt and Kelly Wright and their boys for their thoughtfulness. As the grass was getting out of control in our housing area, the Wright family purchased a lawn mower and then worked through the "forest" outside our base apartment. Many, many thanks to our wonderful neighbors!

Roses to Chuck, Rebecca, the Panzer Fitness Center staff and an unnamed Soldier from 1/10th for their quick response when someone in the sauna showed signs of a heart attack. Consider yourselves true heroes. I hope you're around if I ever need someone to count on. Well done!

Roses to Steve DiMundo and other members of the School Bus Office, the bus drivers and monitors. As the school year comes to a close, the parents of the Piranhas swim team wish to send out a heartfelt thank you. In addition to having an encyclopedic knowledge of Stuttgart streets and bus stops, Steve has gone out of his way to help members of the swim team use available excess bus space to get from swim practice to school on time in the mornings. He is easy to work with and

goes the extra mile for these kids. The bus drivers and monitors have gotten to know these swimmers, and they really look out for them. The whole bus office team makes a huge difference to us, and we appreciate their dedication to the students.

Thorns to pedestrians on Panzer Kaserne who fail to look both ways before crossing the street. How do you know a driver sees you or is going to stop for you? And amazingly, many of you dare to do this with your children in tow.

Thorns and Roses is about recognizing those who do a good job or make life a little easier. It's also about people who need to be a little more considerate of others.

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Martin Greeson

Incoming SOCAFRICA commander Army Brig. Gen. James B. Linder (left) addresses the audience during a change of command ceremony June 7 at Kelley Barracks. Gen. David M. Rodriguez (center) presided over the ceremony in which Rear Adm. Brian L. Losey (right) relinquished his command.

## Special Operations Command AFRICA welcomes new commander

By S.J. Grady

USAG Stuttgart Public Affairs Office

Rear Adm. Brian L. Losey relinquished command of Special Operations Command Africa to U.S. Army Brig. Gen. James B. Linder during a change of command ceremony held June 7 at Kelley Barracks.

SOCAFRICA, a subordinate unified command of U.S. Special Operations Command operationally controlled by U.S. Africa Command, exercises operational control of special operations forces within the 53 countries of AFRICOM's area of responsibility.

Gen. David M. Rodriguez, who took the helm of AFRICOM in April, presided over the ceremony held in the Kelley Fitness Center gymnasium.

Rodriguez said special operations forces play a unique and demanding role and highlighted the 2012 raid that freed American Jessica Buchanan and her Dutch colleague Paul Thisted, aid workers who were held hostage in Somalia for four months.

The importance of special operations in Africa will continue to grow as "an increasingly diffuse and adaptable" al-Qaida network spreads, according to Rodriguez.

Under Losey's leadership, "Special Operations Command Africa made great progress in deepening relationships with Africa and European partners, building partner defense capabilities, strengthening relationships with U.S. country teams, and preparing to respond to crisis," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez said there was no one better to replace Losey than Linder.

"His knowledge and experience make him the right person to lead Special Operations Command Africa into the future, and I know he is ready to hit the ground running," he added.

Losey began his remarks acknowledging the American lives lost in 2012 on the African continent. Ambassador Chris Stevens, Information Officer Sean Smith, and two embassy security personnel,

Glen Doherty and Tyrone Woods, both former Navy SEALs, were killed when the U.S. compound and annex in Benghazi, Libya, was attacked in September. He also recognized Capt. Daniel H. Utley, Sgt. 1st Class Marciano E. Myrthil and Master Sgt. Trevor J. Bast, who died in Mali last April after their vehicle crashed.

Without notes, Losey talked at length of SOCAFRICA's overall mission, the complexity of Africa, the operating environment and SOCAFRICA's role in Operation Observant Compass in central Africa to counter the Lord's Resistance Army.

He extended his thanks to AFRICOM, SOCAFRICA's partner-nations and the men and women of SOCAFRICA for their support.

"I leave today with mixed emotions ... joy to have had the absolute privilege and honor of working with each and every one of you, and happiness that I am turning it over to Brig. Gen. Linder," Losey said.

He added that he and Linder are friends and colleagues who have "crisscrossed paths all over the globe for the past 20 years."

Under Linder, Losey said "there will be no change in focus, no change in energy, but Jim has a wonderful sense of humor, and there will be more laughter, I suspect."

Linder, whose most recent assignment was as the deputy J3 for AFRICOM, did not disappoint Losey.

Early in his remarks, Linder thanked Rodriguez for the opportunity to serve as the theater special operations commander, adding, "I can't promise you a smooth ride, but I can promise you a ride you won't forget."

He pledged that SOCAFRICA will continue to build partner special operations forces among the African nations at risk for violent extremist activity.

"In the end, it will be less about what we do for Africans, and more about what Africans can do for themselves," Linder said.

Losey will now take command of the U.S. Naval Special Warfare Command in San Diego, Calif.

## News & Notes

### Celebrate Army birthday with 5k run June 13

Runners and walkers are invited to celebrate the Army's 238th birthday during a 5 kilometer fun run and walk June 13 on Husky Field on Patch Barracks.

The event starts at 6:15 a.m., and will conclude with Army birthday cake at 7:30 a.m.

### Stallion Shake 2013 scheduled for RB June 26

U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart will conduct Stallion Shake 2013, a full-scale all-hazards exercise, on Robinson Barracks June 26 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The exercise will test personnel from the garrison, its tenant units and first responders from the host nation, all who would react to an actual crisis situation on the installation.

Motorists can expect traffic delays when entering Robinson Barracks from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the day of the exercise. Starting at 11 a.m. on Jun. 25, concrete barriers will put in place, restricting some vehicle traffic and selected parking areas adjacent to the elementary/middle school complex. All facilities will open according to their normal schedules, but parking near the Robinson Barracks Fitness Center and library will be blocked.

Panzer Kaserne, Kelley and Patch Barracks, and Stuttgart Army Airfield will not be impacted by the exercise.

### ASAP to be surveyed by joint commission

The Installation Management Command's Army Substance Abuse Programs in Europe are scheduled to be surveyed by a joint commission for re-accreditation July 9-11.

If community members have questions or wish to speak to the joint commission surveyor, contact the U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart ASAP at 431-2530/civ. 07031-15-2530.

### DoDDS-E schools to close for five days next year

Department of Defense Educational Activity schools will close for five days during school year 2013-2014 due to sequestration-related furloughs for Defense Department civilian employees.

Dr. Nancy C. Bresell, the Department of Defense Dependents Schools Europe director, in a memo dated June 7, announced a change to previously publicized furlough days. According to the latest memo, DODDS Europe schools will close Aug. 30, Sept. 9, Sept. 16, Sept. 23 and Sept. 30.

DoDEA teachers are not exempt from furloughs. The Defense Department, recognizing the importance of continuity in students' education, approved a plan to furlough teachers for fewer days than other DOD civilian employees, according to the DODEA website.

The 2013-2014 school year will start as scheduled on Aug. 26. Teachers will report for duty Aug. 21.



Photos by Carola Meusel

*Stuttgart military community members leave Stuttgart's New Castle following a tour during the Capital City Visitation Program held last month. The program is designed to introduce U.S. service members and their families to Stuttgart and the state of Baden-Württemberg.*

## Capital City . . . . .

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In his speech, Byrnes promised that Germany would be rebuilt and not divided economically, and that Germans would be allowed to govern themselves democratically.

Brennan Schweitzer, a contractor with the Defense Information Systems Agency Europe, appreciated the political and historical insights.

"We were able to learn about similarities and differences between the American and German political systems," he said. "It's also a good program for Americans to help understand what the Germans dealt with during and after World War II."

Following the presentation, participants indulged in a hearty Swabian lunch at "Plenum," a restaurant located in the parliament building, and then set out to see the sights.

During a walking tour, the group saw Stuttgart's New Castle, the "Schlossplatz" square, the Old Castle, Schiller Square and "Stiftskirche," or collegiate church.

Participants not only learned about the city's history, but several interesting anecdotes. For example, the statue of the famous Swabian poet Friedrich Schiller that oversees the square named in his honor, was stored in the Wagenburg Tunnel to prevent it from being destroyed during World War II.

During a stop at the town hall, the group was welcomed by a city representative with a glass of "Sekt," or sparkling wine, made in Stuttgart.

The tour ended at Stuttgart's "Markthalle," or



*Mike and Virginia Kozak look at a vegetable display in Stuttgart's "Markthalle," or market hall, during last month's Capital City Visitation Program. The Markthalle opened its doors to the public in 1914 and offers fine foods from all over the world.*

market hall. At the art nouveau-style building, the group strolled through displays of locally grown and imported vegetables, meats, cheeses, spices, chocolates and baked goods.

Some participants came away eager to learn more. Michael McGregor, a U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security employee, said he was expecting to see the city and learn about some cultural aspects.

"It was way more. The program opened my eyes on what Stuttgart has to offer. I got a first impression

and I can't wait to come back and explore more," McGregor said.

*The Capital City Visitation Program will be offered Oct. 21 and Dec. 2. A bus will pick up participants at 8:30 a.m. on Panzer Kaserne and take them to the State Parliament. The tour lasts until 5 p.m.*

*Details for the Oct. 21 CCVP and information on how to sign up will be announced at the beginning of October through U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart news venues.*

**New phone number for appliance repair**

If you have a government-issued appliance that becomes inoperable, call the service order help desk at 421-6200/0711-729-6200 to report the problem. A technician will be scheduled to come to your home (either on or off post) and get your appliance running again.

In the event an appliance is beyond repair, the contractor will notify the Furnishings Management Office, who will in turn contact the customer and schedule an appointment for an exchange.

Appointments will be scheduled for the morning, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. or the afternoon, from noon until 6 p.m., whichever is more convenient for the customer.

**Register now for Stuttgart Piranhas swim team**

The Stuttgart Piranhas swim team, a competitive swim team and member of the European Forces Swim League, is accepting registrations for the 2013-14 season.

Swimmers must be between 6-19 years of age and able to swim two strokes unassisted for 50 meters.

The swim season runs from August through February, and the Piranhas compete against other EFSL teams in Germany, Spain, Italy, Belgium and the United Kingdom.

To register, go to [www.stuttgartpiranhas.org](http://www.stuttgartpiranhas.org) or contact the registrar at [registrar@stuttgartpiranhas.org](mailto:registrar@stuttgartpiranhas.org).

**Sign up for Post 6 golf tournament**

American Legion Stuttgart Post 6 will host its eighth annual golf tournament Aug. 10 at the Stuttgart

Golf Course in Kornwestheim.

The cost for the four-person scramble is \$50 for members, \$60 for non-members. The tournament is limited to the first 72 golfers. Advance registration will be accepted until Aug. 7.

To sign up, or for more information, call 430-6158 or 421-4541.

**Off-post trash restrictions in effect**

U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart community members living on the economy are reminded that they are no longer allowed to dispose of garbage or recyclables on the installations.

The policy applies to all military, civilian, local national and contractor personnel, as well as family members who live off base.

For more information about off-post trash disposal guidance and frequently asked questions, visit [www.stuttgart.army.mil/trash.html](http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/trash.html).

**Car registration about to expire?**

Did you know you can renew your vehicle's registration as soon as you receive notification, usually about 75 days before it expires?

Completing the renewal process early does not shorten the registration time; the renewed registration will commence once the old registration expires, but you may be able to avoid a wait during peak periods.

Should your vehicle fail the inspection, you normally will have time to correct the deficiency and renew within the renewal window.

For more information, visit the U.S. Army Europe Registry of Motor Vehicles website at [www.hqusareur.army.mil/rmv](http://www.hqusareur.army.mil/rmv).

**Bank schedule**

The Community Banks in U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart will be closed the morning of **June 26** for mandatory training. The branches will open at 11 a.m.

The Robinson Barracks branch will be closed **July 4**. The banks on Patch and Kelley Barracks, and Panzer Kaserne will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**LQA answers**

U.S. Army Europe has developed a list of frequently asked questions for those USAREUR employees who are affected by the recent Living Quarters Allowance audits.

For more information, visit the USAREUR website at [www.eur.army.mil](http://www.eur.army.mil) and click on the Hot Topics link.

**Enroll in 'Culture College' at ACS**

U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart's Army Community Service will offer two sessions of Culture College June 18 and 20, and June 25 and 27.

The two-day classes are free and will introduce community members to German customs, culture, public transportation and Stuttgart landmarks. The first day consists of a classroom session (8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m.) followed by a Stuttgart city tour on the second day (from 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

Child care is available. Sign up at ACS, Building 2915, Panzer Kaserne.

For more information, or to register, call 431-3362/civ. 07031-15-3362.

Send your announcements to [stuttgartmedia@eur.army.mil](mailto:stuttgartmedia@eur.army.mil).

**Distracted Driving**

In the U.S. during 2011, over 3,000 people were killed in distracted driving crashes.

Distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person's attention away from the primary task of driving.

These include:

- Texting;
- Using a cell phone;
- Eating and drinking;
- Talking to passengers;
- Grooming;
- Reading, including maps;
- Using a navigation system;
- Watching a video;
- Adjusting a radio, CD player or MP3 player.

Because text messaging requires visual, manual and cognitive attention from the driver, it is by far the most alarming distraction.

The best way to end distracted driving is to educate yourself about the danger it poses. At [www.distraction.gov](http://www.distraction.gov), an official website of the U.S. Department of Transportation, you'll find facts and statistics that are powerfully persuasive.

For more information on driving safety, visit <https://safety.army.mil>.



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Washing a car in a driveway puts contaminated water into storm drains and wastes up to 140 gallons of water. Instead, use a commercial car wash that uses its own water recycling system, biodegradable soap and reusable towels.

Washing vehicles on pervious areas such as cobblestones is prohibited in Germany because they are not connected to a proper oil and water separator.

**Vehicle washing facilities on post**

- Kelley Barracks: Building 3390
- Stuttgart Army Airfield: Building 3217
- Patch Barracks: Building 2384



**Going Green**

**USAG Stuttgart Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division**

# Commissaries plan for Monday furloughs

## Defense Commissary Agency

When furloughs are implemented, most military commissaries will close one day a week on Mondays, said the director and chief executive officer of the Defense Commissary Agency. The weekly closures will occur for up to 11 total days, between July 8 and Sept. 30.

Closing commissaries on Mondays would be in addition to any day stores are routinely closed. The 148 stores that routinely close on Mondays would also close the next normal day of operation. Other than the furlough day, there are no other changes planned for store operation hours.

This announcement comes as DeCA follows Department of Defense protocols related to the automatic federal government budget reductions, known as sequestration that began March 1. Like most DOD activities, DeCA is mandated by the department to furlough its civil service employees. Furlough notices were scheduled to be delivered to DeCA employees between May 28 and June 5.

DeCA has 247 commissaries with more than 16,000 employees operating in 13 countries and two U.S. territories. Furloughs will impact all of DeCA's more than 14,000 U.S. civilian employees.

"We know that any disruption in commissary operations will impact our patrons," said Joseph H. Jeu, DeCA's director and CEO. "Also, we understand the tremendous burden this places on our employees, who, when furloughed, will lose 20 percent of their pay.

"We determined that Monday closures would present the least pain for our patrons, employees and industry partners."



*Estiban Vela, a Panzer Commissary store associate, stocks shelves June 10. Furloughs will impact Vela and the rest of DeCA's 14,000 U.S. civilian employees. When furloughs are implemented, most military commissaries will close one day a week on Mondays.*

As sequestration continues, commissary customers can quickly find out about any changes to their local store's operating schedule by clicking on the "Locations" tab on DeCA's website, then "Alphabetical Listing," finding their store and clicking on "Local Store Information."

Patrons are reminded that because sequestration is so fluid, DeCA's plan for this budget-cutting measure is subject to change.

DeCA officials decided on Monday closures after weighing the potential disruption to patrons and suppliers of having rolling furloughs, where closure dates would differ from store to store. Universal Monday closures are less disruptive to shoppers and

the agency's industry partners — vendors, suppliers and distributors — who deliver products daily to DeCA's commissaries.

### USAG Stuttgart commissaries

In Stuttgart, if the furloughs are implemented, the following operating hours have been proposed, according to Jeff Rose, the Patch Commissary manager.

- Patch Commissary: open Tuesday thru Sunday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Panzer and Kelley Commissaries: open Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Robinson Barracks Commissary: open Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, noon to 8 p.m.



## Shopping at the Stuttgart Market Hall – an unforgettable experience!

The Stuttgart Market Hall is the most beautiful market hall in Germany and an oasis of culinary delicacies. There is almost everything you can get here: Fruit and vegetables, wines and spirits from around the world, fish, meat, game – but also coffee, tea and sweets, exotic fruits, spices, flowers, tempting home decor and garden accessories. Take a break and relax in one of the inviting restaurants or bistros. The Stuttgart Market Hall is always worth a visit.



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**Organization day scheduled for POV inspection**

The Base Support Operations Maintenance Division and the privately owned vehicle Inspection Station on Panzer Kaserne, as well as the customer service team on Kelley Barracks, will be closed June 14 for an organizational day.

**Selling your car?**

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To reach the child and youth MFLC, call civ. 0152-0265-8259 or 0150-499-5260.

**CYS Services job fair set for June 26**

The Stuttgart Non-Appropriated Human Resources Office, in coordination with Army Community Service, will conduct a Child, Youth and School Services job fair June 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 222, Army Community Service, Building 2915, Panzer Kaserne.

Child and Youth Program Assistant positions are available at the various Child Development Centers, School Age Centers and Youth Centers within U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart.

HR personnel will be available to answer general questions on how to apply for the positions using USA Jobs. CYS Services personnel will be available to answer questions regarding the career field, position expectations, duties and hours required.

**HBB guidance**

If you are looking to start a home-based business or want to ensure your existing HBB is in compliance with military and German regulations, visit the U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Commercial Affairs Office located in Room 105, Building 3307, Kelley Barracks, or call 421-3549/civ. 0711-729-3549.

**Support diversity**

The U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Equal Employment Opportunity Office seeks energetic volunteers to enhance diversity awareness by serving on various Special Emphasis Program committees.

For more information, stop by the USAG Stuttgart EEO Office in Room 205, Building 2307, Patch Barracks, or call 430-5312/civ. 0711-680-5312.

**CID offers reward**

The Stuttgart Criminal Investigation Division Office is offering a \$750 reward for information leading to the apprehension and

conviction of those responsible for the content and delivery of two separate letters that contained racial slurs to a resident living in on-post quarters at Panzer Kaserne.

If you have information concerning this or any crime, contact the Stuttgart CID Office at 430-2973/2976 civ. 0711-680-2973/2976, or the MP Desk at 430-5262/civ. 0711-680-5262.

**Register for fall sports June 17 to Aug. 2**

Registration for Child, Youth and School Services fall sports will run from June 17 to Aug. 2.

Sports include tackle football, flag football, soccer, cheerleading and developmental sports.

Participants must have physicals valid through November.

Discounts are available to families with more than one child.

To register, visit Parent Central Services, Building 2347, Patch Barracks.

For more information call 430-7480/civ. 0711-680-7480.

**Help keep kids safe**

With school over, the U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Director of Emergency Services reminds parents that U.S. Army Europe officials have established child supervision guidelines.

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# Family and MWR adds motorcycle maintenance service to its programs

Story & photo by Mary "Tweedy" Knief  
Special to The Citizen

When Jeff Calvin, a passionate motorcycle rider, arrived in Germany a little over two years ago with his wife Linda, a Defense Department employee, he noticed the need for an on-post motorcycle service.

According to Calvin, off-post shops were charging €85-100 per hour for labor. With prices so high, he thought bike owners would be inclined to delay servicing their bikes, rather than pay the high prices.

He thought this could lead to safety issues, and the former Harley-Davidson employee decided to do something about it.

Calvin approached U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation to see what could be done to open a motorcycle service shop.

While it took several years, the efforts of many culminated with the recent opening of the Motorcycle Service Shop in the Family and MWR Auto Skills Center on Panzer Kaserne.

Some of the services offered include safety inspections, repairs, routine maintenance, and oil and tire changes. Motorcyclists can also have their bikes delivered directly to the Auto Skills Center shop where "Cal," will prepare the bikes for the road.

"The motorcycle repair shop is a great benefit to a large segment of our community," said Oliver Stith, the Family and MWR Community Recreation Division chief.

Payment is in U.S. dollars, no VAT form is required, and there is no language barrier, he added.



Jeff "Cal" Calvin, an MMI-certified mechanic specializing in Harley-Davidson and Triumph bikes, works on a motorcycle May 24 at the recently opened Motorcycle Service Shop located in the Family and MWR Auto Skills Center on Panzer Kaserne.

Calvin trained at the Universal Technical Institute in Orlando, Fla., and is Motorcycle Mechanics Institute-certified.

Although he specializes in Harley-Davidson and Triumph motorcycles, he can work on all bikes.

"I can finish most services in one day," he said, adding that in most cases an eligible patron can drop off a bike in the morning, take the duty bus to work and pick up the bike after work.

The service is open to all service members and civilians whose motorcycles are registered through the U.S. Army Europe system. Appointments are necessary.

To make an appointment, call 431-2555/civ. 07031-15-2555 or 0160-9225-0651. The shop is open Wednesday through Friday from noon until 8 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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# Man up: Take control of your health this month

By James W. Cartwright  
U.S. Army Public Health Command

**D**id you know that June is Men's Health Month? If you are a man, you have most likely seen a doctor out of necessity, but when confronted with specific questions about men's health, you may have some shortcomings.

In searching the wisdom of the Internet on men's health, it turns out that men are pretty special when it comes to taking health risks.

In fact, men are more likely than women to smoke and drink, make unhealthy or risky choices, and put off regular check-ups or seek medical care.

According to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, men are 24 percent less likely than women to have seen a doctor in the past year.

Overall, the evidence indicates that men ought to pay more attention to their health and well-being.

But what are the real reasons that men do not seek medical care?

Web MD cited a number of possible reasons men avoid medical care. Among them were "stoicism, high cost, busy schedules, the challenge of getting an appointment, or the embarrassing possibility of the digital rectal exam."

There, you have it.

To the relief of many men, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force rejected the idea that the standard annual physical exam is an effective tool for improving the health of patients. They suggest that exams needed to be tailored to the age, health risks and preferences of the patient.

So, what should men do to maintain good health? It turns out that it's really quite simple.

Most experts agree that in addition to not smoking, men should be physically active, know their body, eat a healthy diet, maintain a healthy weight, manage stress, sleep well and drink alcohol only in moderation.

Note that these measures also enhance mental and spiritual wellness, which is important since men have higher suicide rates than women.

In addition, it is important to partner with a physician to choose a preventive health care program suited to a person's special needs.

Many of the major health risks that men face, such as colon cancer or heart disease, can be prevented. They also are easier to treat when found early.

To ensure your body continues to be fit and ready,



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**Research shows that men are 24 percent less likely than women to have seen a doctor in the past year.**

eat healthfully, sleep well, be physically active and follow the preventive schedule below.

- Regular blood pressure screenings.
- Cholesterol screenings for all men 35 and up, or 20 and up if there are other risk factors.
- Colorectal cancer screening age 50 and up.
- Tetanus booster every 10 years for men over 50.
- Flu shots every year for men over 50.
- Prostate cancer screenings based on individual factors.
- Diabetes screenings for adults who have high blood pressure or high cholesterol.
- Monthly self exam for irregular moles with annual visit to a dermatologist for complete exam.
- The American Cancer Society recommends annual cancer screenings with a testicular exam.

For more information about men's health, visit the National Institutes of Health website at <http://health.nih.gov/category/MensHealth>.

## HEALTH BEAT

### Stuttgart Health Clinic wants your feedback

The Stuttgart Army Health Clinic's Patient Family Health Care Consortium will meet July 9 at 11 a.m. in the clinic's command conference room. The consortium will give community members the opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback and have a voice in improving the clinic's services.

The consortium will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m.

For more information, call Kathryn Metzger at 430-8618/civ. 0711-680-8618.

### Appointment needed for sports physical

The U.S. Army Health Clinic Stuttgart will offer school and sports physicals for children and teens on June 28, July 12, Aug. 2 and Aug. 16 from 7:40 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. Appointments are necessary.

To schedule an appointment, call the Europe Regional Medical Command Call Center at 371-2622/civ. 0622-117-2622.

### Get help with referrals, billing issues

Tricare beneficiaries may inquire about authorizations for referrals after three business days by contacting International SOS at civ. 0800-5891599 (toll free) or 0044-20-8762 8384, Option 3.

International SOS can also help with scheduling appointments and billing issues.

### Registered dietitian can help prevent problems

When you need food and nutrition information based on fact, or need to know how a healthy diet improves health and fights disease, rely on the registered dietitian at the Stuttgart Army Health Clinic.

With an annual "nutrition checkup" you'll get dietary advice and guidance based on your changing health needs and possibly prevent problems that may be looming down the road.

The dietitian is located in the Tricare wing of the clinic. Patients should check in at the front desk for their appointment.

To schedule an appointment, call the Europe Regional Medical Command Call Center at 371-2622/civ. 0622-117-2622.

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*Editor's Note: Information for this column was provided by the Stuttgart Army Health Clinic.*

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The Class of 2013 toss their mortarboards in the air at the conclusion of Patch High's graduation ceremony held in the Sindelfingen Stadthalle June 5.

# Patch High School celebrates largest graduating class

By S.J. Grady

USAG Stuttgart Public Affairs Office

Families, friends and educators packed the Sindelfingen Stadthalle June 5 as Patch High School's Class of 2013 received their diplomas.

One hundred seventy-three students walked the line during the commencement ceremony — the school's largest graduating class in its 34 year history.

This year, the school boasts a 98 percent graduation rate, well above the national average of 78.2 percent.

PHS Principal Danny Robinson attributed much of the success to senior class sponsors Lisa Kunstman and Bruce Engel. "The Class of 2013 has counted on Mr. Engel and Ms. Kunstman to assist them in meeting the [Department of Defense Education Activity] requirements for graduation throughout this school year. I appreciate all of their hard work and dedication," he said.

This year the class claimed two valedictorians. Erica Eggleton and Beverlie Poblete were each given the honor after they earned the identical grade point average. The salutatorian was Lauren Howard.

The evening ceremony began with the PHS graduation band playing "Pomp and Circumstance" as the graduates began their procession to the stage.

Members of the school's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps presented the colors and were followed by a chorus comprised of seniors who masterfully sang the German and U.S. anthems.

In a change from past graduations, there was no keynote speaker. Instead, the program focused on the students. "We wanted it to be all about the kids," said Robinson. "It was their show."

With that in mind, seven student speakers graced the stage.

Jamie MacPherson, the senior class president, welcomed those in attendance. The other speakers

included Joshua Rivers, the senior class vice president; Jake Cranmer, selected by his fellow students as the senior class presenter; Caleb Winningham, the senior class treasurer; Howard, the salutatorian; and valedictorians Eggleton and Poblete.

In addition, seniors Anna Jaegar and Cassandra Scheiber performed "Home," and the all-senior chorus sang "Let Me Fly," a song penned by Travis Liquori, a member of the Class of 2011.

Robinson, Heidelberg District Superintendent Steven Sanchez and Col. John P. Stack, the U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart commander, presented the diplomas while Regina Hendrix and Dr. Trent Blankenship, PHS assistant principals, read the students' names and future plans.

While 80 percent of the students indicated they were headed for college, according to Robinson, there are several students who intend to serve in a branch of the U.S. armed forces.



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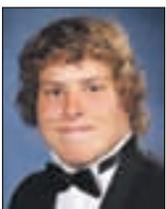
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To see the Class of 2013 in its entirety, turn the page. Senior portraits are courtesy of Rotary Portraits International.

# Congratulations



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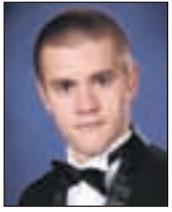
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# At your leisure

## Festivals

Schorndorf will host the **SommernachtsRaum** international street theater festival June 21-23 in the historic downtown area (Marktplatz, Schlosspark, Spitalhof and Bantel department store parking lot).

The event will start June 21 at 7 p.m. and run until 10 p.m. On June 22, the festival runs from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. and June 23 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

More than 30 theater groups are expected to perform during the festival. Performances include, comedy, magic shows, juggling, fireworks and puppet theater, music and more.

A highlight will be the performance of the silent theater "The Strongman" performed by the "Bash Street Theater" group from Great Britain June 22 at 5 and 8 p.m. at Spitalhof. The play is inspired by Charlie Chaplin's 1928 movie "The Circus."

A comedy fireworks show with the "Pyromantiker" from Berlin will be held June 22 at 10:15 p.m. at the Bantel department store parking lot. Entrance is free.

For more information, visit [www.sommernachtsraum.info](http://www.sommernachtsraum.info), or call civ. 07181-9927-940.

The **Backnanger Strassenfest**, or

street festival will be held June 21-24.

Events will kick off at Marktplatz June 21 at 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. The event runs June 22 from noon to 1 a.m., June 23 from 9:30 a.m. to midnight and June 24 from noon to midnight.

Music, dance and entertainment will be offered throughout the downtown area.

For more information, visit [www.backnanger-strassenfest.de](http://www.backnanger-strassenfest.de).



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**The "Mobile Legenden Baden-Württemberg in Fahrt" old-timer and aviation festival will run June 22-23 at the Eutingen im Gäu Airfield. More than 500 classic vehicles will be on display.**

The **Mobile Legenden Baden-Württemberg in Fahrt** old-timer and aviation festival will be held June 22-23 at the "Fluggelände," or airfield, in Eutingen im Gäu.

The event will start June 22 at 2 p.m. and run until midnight. On June 23, the festival runs from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

More than 500 classic vehicles to include cars, buses, flying machines, steam-engine trains, agricultural machines, motorcycles and bicycles will be featured.

According to the event organizer's press release, visitors can touch the nostalgic vehicles, participate in tours and see air shows.

Live music, a children's program, food and beverages will also be available.

A fireworks display will be held June 22 at 10:45 p.m.

Tickets cost €10 when purchased in advance or €13 at the event. Children age 6 to 13 pay €4

(or €5 at the door). Family tickets (two adults and children) cost € 26.

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.bw-in-fahrt.de](http://www.bw-in-fahrt.de).

The Musikhochschule Stuttgart, or State Music Academy, will host the **Hock am Turm** summer music festival June 29 from 4-11 p.m. in the academy's courtyard.

More than 50 concerts will be held on five stages throughout the evening and will entertain music lovers with rock, pop, classic and jazz tunes.

Guided tours inside the music academy will be offered as well. For a bird's-eye-view of Stuttgart, patrons should also climb atop the academy's 50 meter-high tower.

Entrance is free.

The State Music Academy is located at Urbanstrasse 25, 70182 Stuttgart.

For more information, visit [www.mh-stuttgart.de](http://www.mh-stuttgart.de).

The **Tübinger Rosenfest**, or rose festival, will run June 29-30 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Bebenhausen Monastery.

More than 80 rose experts and exhibitors will present a variety of roses ranging from wild to old garden to modern, as well as tips and tricks for rose growers.

Rose-inspired decorations, skin care products and foods will also be available.

A children's program will be offered, as well.

The "Tübingen Rose" will be premiered June 30 at 5 p.m.

Tickets to the festival cost €7.

Kloster Bebenhausen is located at Im Schloss, 72074 Tübingen-Bebenhausen.

For more information, visit [www.rosenfest-tuebingen.de](http://www.rosenfest-tuebingen.de).

Esslingen will host the **Bürgerfest**, or citizens' festival, July 5-7 in and around the downtown area. The fest starts July 5 at 6 p.m. On July 6, the event will run from 10 a.m. to midnight and from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. July 7.

The fest will feature music concerts, dance and theater per-

formances, as well as local and international foods.

A city flea market will be held July 6 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at "Ottilienplatz." More than 200 booths will offer antiques, jewelry, decorations, books and more.

On July 7, a flea market will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Ottilienplatz and Küferstrasse.

Hands-on activities for children will be offered, as well.

For more information, visit [www.esslingen-bilderbuch.de](http://www.esslingen-bilderbuch.de).

## This weekend

Schorndorf will host a **Rosenmarkt** June 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the historic downtown area (Hetzgasse, Kirchgasse, Neue Strasse).

Rose-inspired products ranging from candy, chocolates, tea, "Rossecco" sparkling wines, flowers, paintings and accessories, English roses and more will be for sale.

For more information, visit [www.schorndorf-centro.de](http://www.schorndorf-centro.de).

Sindelfingen will host its **Internationales Strassenfest**, or international street festival, June 14-16 in downtown Sindelfingen.

The festival will run June 14 from 6 p.m. to midnight, June 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. and June 16 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The street fest aims to bring people of all nationalities together to celebrate their cultural heritage and will feature live bands, dance performances, comedy, children's activities, international food and beverages.

For more information, visit [www.isf-sifi.de](http://www.isf-sifi.de).

The **Klassiknacht**, or classical music festival, will be held in downtown Schorndorf June 15 from 7-10 p.m. The first-time event will feature local choirs, orchestras and musicians throughout five event areas: Schlosshof, Innenhof Arnold Galerien, Garten Karlsstift, Neue Strasse and Hof im Sack.

Entrance is free.

For more information, visit [www.kulturforum-schorndorf.de](http://www.kulturforum-schorndorf.de).



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**The "Pyromantiker," a firework-specialized theatre group from Berlin, is among the various actors performing at the "SommernachtsRaum" international street theatre festival in Schorndorf June 21-23.**

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You'll find live entertainment, a variety of food and drink vendors, children's activities, free amusement rides and fireworks. The celebration starts at 4 p.m.

For more information, call 430-2110/civ. 0711-680-2110.

### Chow down on ribs

An all-you-can-eat barbecue will be served June 21 from 4:30-8 p.m. at the Kelley Club.

The menu includes ribs, chicken, baked beans, potatoes, macaroni and cheese, and salad.

For more information, call 421-4660/civ. 0711-729-4660.

### Play paintball

Experience the excitement and action of paintball with Outdoor Recreation June 15 and July 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

U.S. ID cardholders must be at least 16 years of age. Guests

must be at least 18.

Shuttle transportation to the field will be available.

For cost and reservations, call Outdoor Recreation at 431-2774/civ. 07031-15-2774.

### EFMP soccer clinic

A free soccer clinic for children enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member Program will be held June 19 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Husky Field. Children must be registered to participate.

For more information, call Army Community Service at 431-3362/civ. 07031-15-3362.

### Family Zumbathon

The U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart Exceptional Family Member Program, and Family and MWR Sports and Fitness will offer a free two hour Zumbathon for families June 22 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Patch Fitness Center gym.

For more information, call Army Community Service at 431-3362/civ. 07031-15-3362.

For more activities, visit [www.stuttgart.armymwr.com](http://www.stuttgart.armymwr.com).



## Coming to Patch Theater

**June 14** — After Earth (PG-13) 6 p.m., The Internship (PG-13) 8 p.m.

**June 15** — Jurassic Park 3D (PG-13) 2 p.m., The Internship (PG-13) 5 p.m., After Earth (PG-13) 8 p.m.

**June 16** — Epic 3D (PG) 2 p.m. 4:30 p.m., Jurassic Park 3D (PG-13), After Earth (PG-13) 7:30 p.m.

**June 17** — The Internship (PG-13) 6 p.m.

**June 18** — Closed

**June 19** — After Earth (PG-13) 6 p.m.

**June 20** — Fast And Furious 6 (PG-13) 6 p.m.

**June 21** — Man Of Steel (PG-13) 6 p.m. and 9 p.m.

**June 22** — Man Of Steel (PG-13) 2 p.m., This Is The End (R) 5 p.m., Scary Movie 5 (R) 8 p.m.

**June 23** — Jurassic Park 3D (PG-13) 2 p.m., Man Of Steel (PG-13) 5 p.m., This Is The End (R) 8 p.m.

**June 24** — Man Of Steel (PG-13) 6 p.m.

**June 25** — Closed

**June 26** — Scary Movie 5 (R) 6 p.m.

**June 27** — This Is The End (R) 6 p.m.

**June 28** — Monsters University 3D (G) 6 p.m., World War Z (PG-13) 8 p.m.



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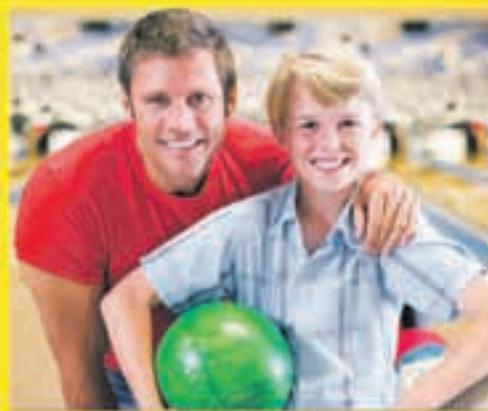
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# Youth Activities

Take a look at what's going on in Stuttgart's schools.



Photo by T. Vassalotti

## Music time

5th grade students at Patch Elementary School celebrate music with a classroom concert.



Photo by T. Vassalotti

## Band performance

Robinson Barracks Middle School band performs at a volunteer recognition event.

## State projects

Robinson Barracks 4th graders in Mr. Galen Nagel's class anxiously await their opportunity to share their "State Projects" with parents and visitors 30 May.



Photo by William B. Thone

Fourth grader Kiara Kelly from Texas is ready to share what she knows about Hawaii.



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Fourth grader Jackson Stewart studies his home state of Tennessee.

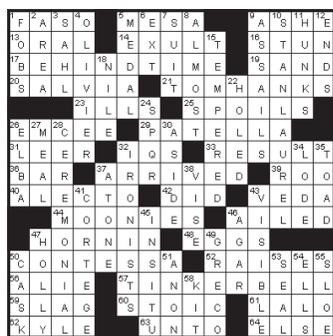
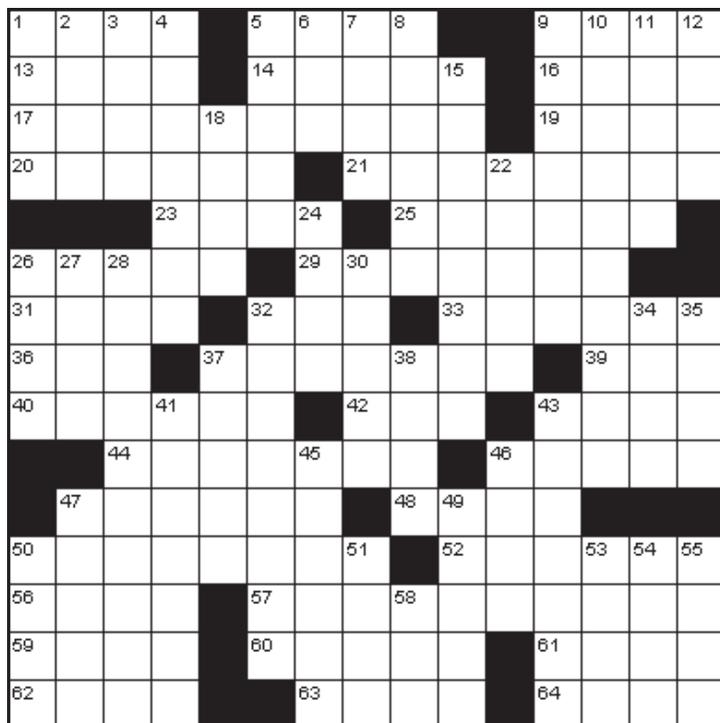


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## Marshmallow launchers

Mrs. Scholdei's 8th grade Science Class at Robinson Barracks Elementary/Middle School pose for a group photo behind their catapults and trebuchets. They were measuring how far a marshmallow could be launched.

# Crossword Puzzle



This is the solution to the crossword puzzle from May 30, 2013!  
Courtesy of thinks.com

**ACROSS**

1. Scarlett's plantation
5. Chows down
9. Strong current
13. Ancient Greek coin
14. Pursue furtively
16. Pueblo pot
17. Pastry in Paris
19. Antares, e.g.
20. "Odyssey" setting
21. Symbols of welcome
23. Tofu source
25. Police command
26. "A Room With \_\_\_"
29. "Moon River" composer
31. Telescope part
32. Goal
33. Glacier Bay locale
36. Fido or Fluffy?
37. Eccentric
39. Dance specialty
40. Coins
42. Spreading tree
43. Heap
44. Salon supplies
46. Bad habits
47. "American Pie" singer

48. "Dulce et Decorum Est" poet
50. "Tom Jones" author
52. In
56. Hawkeye Pierce
57. Firmly fixed
59. Congregate
60. Polish off
61. Burden
62. Latin being
63. Small amounts
64. Counting-out starter

**DOWN**

1. Pith helmet
2. Blind as \_\_\_
3. "Goodbye Columbus" author
4. Smith and Jones, maybe
5. Bacon product
6. Goddess of recklessness
7. Edible root
8. Don quickly
9. Actress Arquette
10. Unselfish
11. Grip firmly
12. Auditory equipment
15. Don't panic
18. Bargelike boat
22. "Jurassic Park" actor
24. In the thick of
26. Salzburg setting
27. #2
28. Mediates
30. Fossil resin
32. South Australia's capital
34. Leafy vegetable
35. Crude dudes
37. Lubricated
38. To boot
41. Arrange the sheets
43. Tiny aperture
45. Group of nine
46. Disallow
47. Trumpeter Davis
49. Distorts
50. Renown
51. "\_\_\_ grip!"
53. Plains Indian
54. Middle figure
55. Swirl
58. Alehouse

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### EVENTS

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**Thu, Jun 13**

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**Fellbach, Atrium der Schwabenlandhalle**

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#### Shop and feast

**Fri, Jun 21 – Sat, Jun 22**

**Nürtingen, City center**

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#### Red wine night

**Sat, Jun 22**

**Untertürkheim, Widdersteinstrasse**

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