

Friday, March 7, 2025

**Better in Bavaria Community Update:** From Col. Stephen C. Flanagan.

We had a successful Army Emergency Relief Campaign Kick-Off on Thursday! Thank you for everyone that attended! Don't forget to show your support and donate to the campaign.

**Here are a few updates for your Friday:**

- **Gate maintenance:** Maintenance at Tower Barracks Gate 6 will begin this week and will go through the month of April. For incoming traffic going to the Tower Barracks main post, there will be a detour that will take traffic to Gate 9 where you will have to show your ID again. The same detour applies at Gate 6 for outbound traffic. During this time, we recommend accessing the Tower Barracks main post via Gate 3, Gate 1, or Gate 20 from Netzaberg. Access to the camps from Gate 6 remains the same. Visitor sign-in and truck entrance at Gate 6 will remain the same.
- There will be **construction at the Tower Barracks Post office parking lot starting March 10**. From March 10 until March 30 the entryway to the post office will be blocked for vehicles. Please use the parking lot at the chapel across from USO or the parking behind the DFAC during this time and follow detour signs.
- There will be **construction going on downtown Grafewoehr** starting March 10. During this time the Unterer Torgraben, the street going from the market square to the park, will be completely blocked until the bridge. Please follow detour signs to get to the market square.
- **Commissary Update:** Tower Barracks Commissary shoppers, the Commissary's freezers and refrigeration have been repaired. The Commissary team is actively working to order and restore all items.
- **My Army Post App:** Have you downloaded the new My Army Post app? The app offers customizable home screens, real-time notifications, and tailored updates to ensure that each user receives only the most relevant information for their needs. The My Army Post app aims to simplify life here at USAG Bavaria for Soldiers, Families, and civilians by improving awareness of services across the installation and by helping in processing Soldiers and families transitioning to Bavaria. Download the My Army Post App today from Google Play or the Apple App Store!
- **Recreational Drone Reminder:** Recreational drones cannot be used on or around military installations. That includes U.S. Army installations, Navy bases, Air Force Bases, German Military Kaserne's, other government facilities (U.S. or otherwise) as well as no flight zones. For more information on drone/RC aircraft regulations in Germany, visit: [www.bmvi.de/drohnen](http://www.bmvi.de/drohnen). Be vigilant. If you see a drone, report it to the MPs <https://home.army.mil/bavaria/Directorates/DES> or at iSalute at <https://www.inscom.army.mil/isalute/default.aspx>.
- **Overseas Housing Allowance Survey open now until March 31.** The annual Overseas Housing Allowance Survey takes place now until March 31 and is open to

service members and their spouses assigned throughout Germany. Participants must have been assigned to Germany for at least six months and reside in privately leased quarters (neither a homeowner nor a sharer be). If eligible to take the survey, visit <https://www.travel.dod.mil/Allowances/Overseas-Housing-Allowance/OHA-Data-Collection-Surveys/>

- It's time for **School Year 2025-2026 Spring Re-registration!** Parents must submit a re-registration to indicate whether each student is staying in DoDEA or leaving their current location. Parents should log into the DoDEA Student Information System (DSIS) Family Portal at <https://dodeasis.myfollett.com/aspden/logon.do> to submit each student re-registration request. The re-registration process also provides a quick and easy way for families to update information (contacts, Sponsor's employment status, student health) if the student is returning.
- The Army wants to hear from its Soldiers and their Families so they can better invest in barracks and unaccompanied housing improvements. The **Tenant Satisfaction Survey is open now through May 1**, and those eligible to take the survey will receive an email from ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com. To learn more, contact the Army Housing Office.

### **Tower Barracks and Rose Barracks:**

#### **On-post events to check out:**

- B.O.S.S. Dodgeball tournament Saturday, March 8 at 10 a.m. at the Physical Fitness Center on Tower Barracks
- B.O.S.S. Palm Beach Blast March 22, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
- CPR for your pets March 11, 5-6 p.m. at the Vilseck Red Cross Bldg. 162
- Better in Bavaria Radio Show on AFN, March 12 at 5 p.m.
- St. Patrick's Day Boxing Invitational, March 15 at the Memorial Fitness Center on Rose Barracks
- Registration is open for the USO Special Delivery Baby Shower March 19, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- Community Huddle, March 19 at the Tower View Conference Center, at 10:30 a.m.
- American Red Cross Adult and Pediatric CPR/First Aid/AED classes, March 19 at Rose Barracks Bldg. 162
- Niko Moon concert at the Reel Time Theater on Tower Barracks, March 20, at 7 p.m.
- Alcohol Awareness Month Color Run, April 4 on Tower Barracks at 6:30 a.m.
- Registration is open now for the B.O.S.S. Europe Park Trip, April 25

**Off-post events to check out:**

- Speinsharter Starkbierfest (beerfest) March 8, start at 6 p.m.
- Flea market at the animal shelter in Bayreuth March 9, 2-4 p.m.
- Starkbierfest (beer fest) in Eschenbach at the SCE Halle, March 22
- Dance afternoon at the Rohrersaal in Eschenbach, 2 p.m.
- Amberg weekly market, March 12, 7 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Amberg market square
- Starkbierfest (beer fest) at the Stadthalle (city hall) Erbendorf. March 15 at 6 p.m.

**What's happening at Hohenfels and Garmisch:****Hohenfels:**

- Gate 3 with access from Markt Schmidmühlen will be closed until March 15. Gate 1 will be open 24/7 during this period.
- ACS Tax Preparation Workshop March 12 and 26, from 3-4 p.m.
- Shamrock five-kilometer fun run/walk March 16 at the Rodney J. Harris Sports and Fitness Center at 9 a.m.
- Hohenfels Gospel Service March 16 at 1:30 p.m. at the at Nainhof Chapel (Bldg. 2B)
- Stadt Berching (Neumarkt area) hosts a commodities market (Warenmarkt) from 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in downtown Berching. Visitors can find flavorful cheeses, spices, regionally produced meat, baked goods and much more
- Ice skating in Parsberg at the ice rink (Eislaufbahn) next to the castle, now through March 23

**Garmisch:**

- Market Days, March 7-9, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., in Seefeld/Tirol at the Village Center
- Disco Ice Skating on March 8, from 8-10 p.m., in Garmisch-Pa. At the Olympic Ice Stadium,
- ACS Financial Readiness Program, March 10 & 11, from 8 a.m.-4.30 p.m., at the ACS Bldg 203. To secure an appointment time or for any questions, please call DSN: 314-522-2084, Com: (01149) 9472-708-2084
- Adult Coloring Evening on March 13, 5-6 p.m., at the Garmisch Library