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## news briefs

### Town hall meeting

The Ludwigsburg-Kornwestheim Military Subcommunity Town Hall Meeting will be held Monday Aug. 7, at 7 p.m. in the Pattonville Theater. For information, call 428-2752/2373.

### Child care program

Effective Aug. 1, the Grenadier Child Development Center will begin providing fifteen percent of its total capacity for hourly child care.

The 8 a.m.-5 p.m. service will be available for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years, and will primarily be for the use of parent medical appointments or other emergencies where care could not have been arranged in advance, with the exception of parents who do regularly scheduled volunteer work.

An hourly fee will be payable at the time of service. Parents must be registered with USAREUR CDS. For information, call 420-6346.

### Upcoming NEOEX

DoDDs employees, contract employees, U.S. employees of DoD, military spouses, and other residents of GSMC are all required to attend the GSMC Noncombatant Evacuation Operation Exercise (NEOEX) on the following dates: Aug. 2-3 at Ludwigsburg/Kornwestheim; Aug. 4 at Vaihingen; Aug. 11 at Moehringen/Degerloch; Aug. 16 at Boeblingen/Sindelfingen; Aug. 23-24 at Nellingen/Esslingen/Echterdingen; and Aug. 30 at Bad Cannstatt/Zuffenhausen.

### Passport change

The TASO Passport Section at Kelley Barracks is temporarily closed due to photo lab repairs. The facility is still open for other business. Those requiring passports are asked to call the Patch photo lab at 430-5177/144. The facility is located in bldg. 2303 and is open Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for walk-ins.

### IG visit

A Department of the Army Inspection General team will visit the GSMC today and will conduct three open sessions/seminars. They are:

**8 a.m. to 10 a.m.** IG Action Request Session, open to those soldiers who are interested.

**7 p.m. to 8 p.m.** Family Member Session (officer)

**8 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Family Member Session (enlisted) of which military members may accompany their respective family members.

All sessions will take place at the Robinson Barracks Chapel Annex, bldg. 118.

For information, call Cpt. Schute at 420-6448/7163.

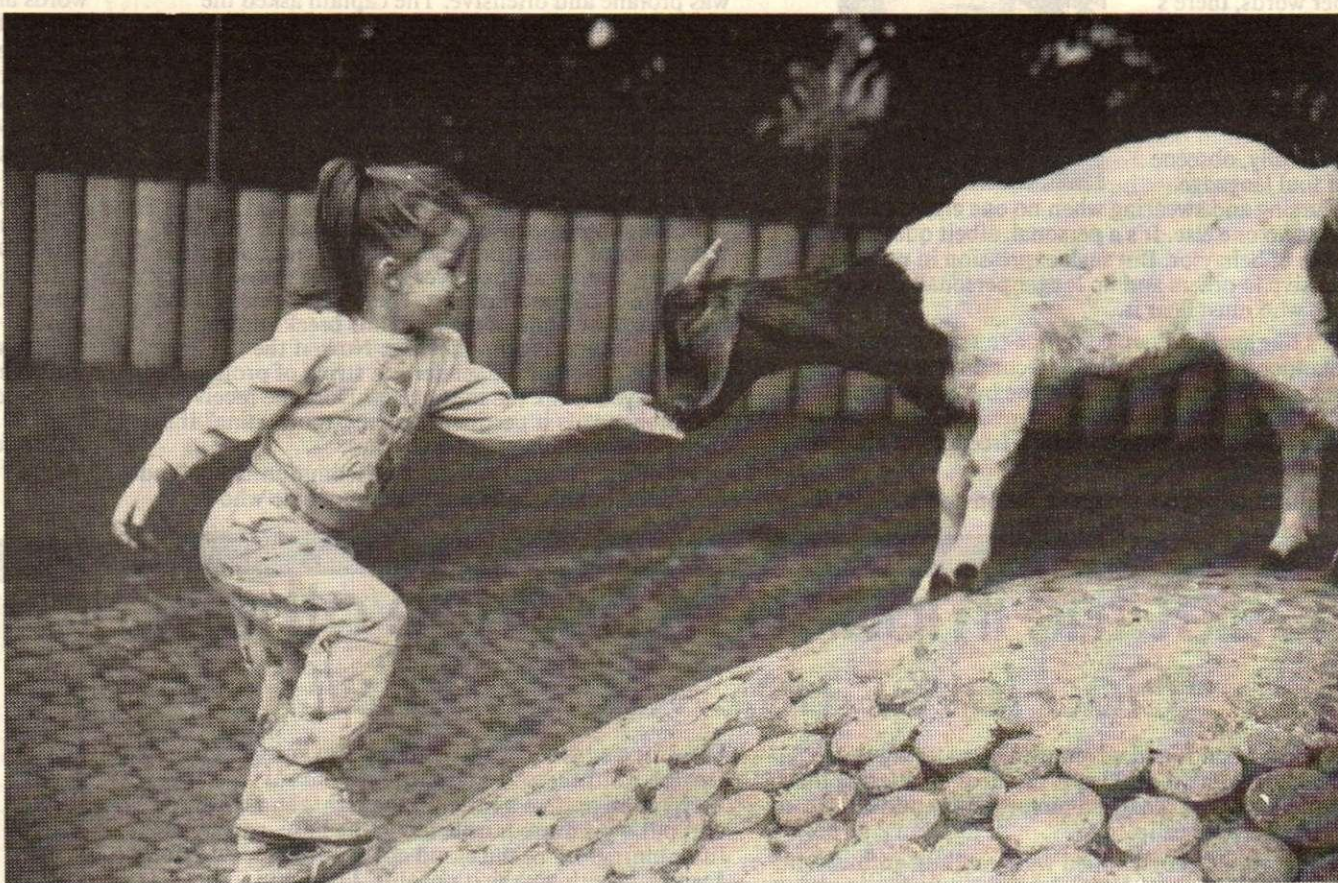


photo by Teresa A. Luis

### Getting your goat

Elise Edwards, 3, feeds a goat at Tripsdrill Amusement Park's petting zoo. Elise, the daughter of 1st Lt. Mike Edwards, Flak Kaserne, and mother Luis, accompanied 28 other mothers and their children on a recent trip sponsored by ACS's Mothers' Support Group, BC/Z division. The Mothers' Support Group is just one of many programs run by ACS, currently celebrating 24 years of service to the Army. The group enables mothers to get out of the house with their young children in town.

## GRHP proves beneficial to home-seekers Housing official states initiative nears '89 goal

by Steve Snyder  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

"The Government Rental Housing Program (GRHP) is alive and well," and exceeding even the high hopes held for it, according to Sandy Brown, deputy chief of housing for GSMC.

According to statistics released by GSMC's Housing Referral Office (HRO), there have been 83 leases signed since GRHP's inception on March 1. HRO currently lists 17 anticipated signings while another 18 are in the process of being negotiated. "The program had a quota of 103 allocations by the end of FY 1989," Brown said. With 83 already in the bag, she anticipates having to "ask VII Corps to extend more quotas" for GSMC.

That's good news in what traditionally has been a bleak market for housing in GSMC.

The Government Rental Housing Program entails a soldier finding a housing unit in which he wishes to live in for his entire tour. He then has HRO negotiate a long-term lease before moving into the unit. The housing automatically becomes a government-leased unit. The soldier forfeits his entitlements to BAQ and OHA to pay rent, utilities and maintenance

during his tour. Additionally, the soldier must agree to spend his entire tour in the unit while losing eligibility for government housing elsewhere.

Soldiers taking advantage of the program do not have to worry about moving later and don't have landlord problems because the government is, in effect, the landlord. They are, furthermore, immune to market fluctuations between the dollar and deutsche mark.

Landlords make out, too. Under GRHP, their maintenance costs are bound to decrease, their unit's vacancy rate should decline and they won't suffer from tardy or non-existent rent collections.

"At first, landlords were reluctant (to use the program) because it was something new," Brown noted. But their hesitance was overcome. "There was reluctance from the HRO staff, too," Brown said, adding that "there's more to the program than promoting leases." Staffers must negotiate with landlords over the rental price and insure that a built-in kitchen, light fixtures and curtain rods come with the package.

"There are no dumps under GRHP," Brown said. "We insure that apartments are brought up to standard."

Brown says that HRO gives "landlords six months advance rent — including all estimated bills for heat, water, electrici-

ty, trash disposal, everything . . . At the end of the year, when meter readings come in, the landlord (re)negotiates with HRO to reconcile the bills."

HRO is "trying to get fixed rental prices" from landlords, Brown said, but they are hesitant to commit themselves. The program hasn't been operating long enough to determine whether many landlords will attempt to gouge out exorbitant expenses from HRO.

Soldiers are protected, too. They cannot enter the program if the rent exceeds their housing allowance. GRHP won't pick up additional expenses or encourage soldiers to spend money out of their pocket.

"The problem with GRHP is that it still can't accommodate everyone who wants to get in on it, especially lower-ranking soldiers who don't have much of a housing allowance," Brown admitted, due to the tight market in Stuttgart. Still, soldiers who already hold leases are eligible to convert their private lease into a GRHP contract.

People currently in the program "are very happy — they have no complaints whatsoever," Brown concluded.

There are GRHP specialists in each HRO office, to include Ludendorf, Panzer, Nellingen, and RB. The central office is located on Robinson Barracks and the phone number is 420-7090.

## Commander's comment

# Obscene language obstructs communication

Most anything in the world can be abused. Usually, when abuse is noticed, it's because someone else is affected by it. In other words, there's always the abuser and one or more persons receiving the abuse.

Language applies here too, — specifically, obscene and foul language.

Cursing and swearing when no one else is present affects no one else. It's a personal, albeit questionable, means of behavior. But such expression in public is offensive to others and no longer personal. It affects those who must hear it.

**It's like smoke.** People are free to smoke. But when a bystander unwillingly inhales second-hand smoke, along with harmful chemicals, the bystander objects. Then, someone's freedom of expression (smoking, in this case) violates someone else's freedom of choice (not smoking).

With smoking, we compromise on how to keep the



common air we breathe acceptable to those who breathe it. Likewise, we in the community must compromise on how to keep the words we speak acceptable to those who hear them.

Recently I was told the story of a captain who stood in line at the movies with his wife and children. A soldier close by suddenly burst out with language that was profane and offensive. The captain asked the soldier to stop. The soldier refused. Finally, the military police came and removed the soldier.

The victims of the incident are the children, the military police and the other people standing in line — in that order. All were subject to language abuse. The abusive language of the soldier was clearly unacceptable to the captain who was concerned about the example shown his children.

In the story of the soldier and the captain, we have the sender of words (the soldier) and the receiver (the captain). Sender and receiver are two of the necessary elements of communication. The other element is the message. When one of the elements breaks down, communication is non-effective. Now, if the communication of the sender is a string of profanities, what do you think the message is? Does the receiver comprehend? Is it pertinent, salient, motivating? If no, then no communication takes place.

What is sure to take place is miscommunication and misunderstanding. My guess is that people who curse

and swear do so because they have no intelligent means to express themselves.

Use of language in public sets a bad example for children who cannot yet evaluate such behavior as immature. Our children, not yet equipped with a vocabulary to express themselves, will learn from the bad example and mimic the language when no other words are available to them. Thus, we have a breeding ground for more obscene language.

**Abuse of words is unacceptable.** We of the Stuttgart community are in a unique position. We live in quarters here and we are guests in a foreign country. The way we express ourselves is closely observed by our neighbors in the American community and by our hosts in the German community. That fact obliges us to behave with sophistication. Our language is a reflection upon the entire community as well as on Americans as a group.

Let's compromise. When ranting and raving are what you feel you must do to express yourself, do so in private. Because if you do it in public, you're no longer exercising your freedom of expression. You're infringing upon their freedom of choice. Foul language — obscenities, vulgarities, profanities, whatever you want to call it — doesn't belong in our great community — our Community of Excellence.

Take care of soldiers.  
Maj. Gen. James B. Allen, Jr.

## chaplain's corner

# Resist the impulse to change others *God loves us, warts and all*

Some husbands and wives are always trying to change each other. They seem bent on altering their mates to fit some idealized picture of the perfect marriage relationship.

Some young people, filled with youthful enthusiasm, keep trying to alter their parents' ways.

And parents continue to try to reshape their children.

**Indeed, the vast majority of us appear to go through life with headaches and heartburns caused by the 'I'll alter him' mentality.**

But why? Why do we do this to ourselves and to others? Does it stem from the fact that we cannot accept imperfection in ourselves or in others?

In our culture, we seem to have bought into the myth of perfection. Novels, movies, television — all deal with larger-than-life people. Even though we know better, we are constantly trying to fit our friends, our families, our world, into some kind of larger-than-life idealized package.

We bustle with confidence. We put on a happy face. We want to give the impression that "I'm O.K. and you're O.K." because that is what is expected.

There was something provocatively honest about the cartoon in *The New Yorker* a few years ago that had one camel saying to another: "I don't care what people say, I'm thirsty!"

**Frankly, most of us cannot really accept the facts that camels are thirsty, children are spoiled, mothers are neglectful, fathers are unsuccessful, and people in general are imperfect. The need to alter, control, change those around us is too strong.**

Dr. Carl Rogers, psychologist, made a statement some years ago that is worth sharing. He wrote: "I have come to believe that appreciating individuals is rather rare. I have come to think that one of the most satisfying experiences I know, and also one of the most growth-promoting experiences for the other person, is just fully to appreciate an individual in the same way that I appreciate a sunset. People are just as wonderful as sunsets — if I can let them be. When

I look at a sunset, as I did the other evening," Dr. Rogers continues, "I don't find myself saying: 'Soften the orange a little on the righthand corner, and put a bit more purple along the base, and use a little more pink in the cloud color' — I don't do that. I watch it with awe as it unfolds. I like myself best when I can experience my staff members, my son, my daughter, my wife, myself, in this way — appreciating the unfolding of a life."

**Think how wonderful it would be if you and I could appreciate people with all their imperfection — not trying anxiously to change them, but enjoying even their weaknesses, and thanking God for all their warts and foibles and dark sides, as well as their strengths.**

It isn't always easy to appreciate others, but one first step is being secure in the knowledge that God appreciates us — you and me.

The older we get, the more simple the good news becomes and the harder it seems to attain. Yet today, if we were to proclaim our understanding of life and the gospel, perhaps we could agree on this:

All the geese don't turn into swans. All the caterpillars don't turn into butterflies. All the toads are not princes in disguise.

But we can thank God for toads and caterpillars and geese, as well as ourselves. For God loves us all, even with our imperfections.

## Letter from the editor

The Stuttgart Citizen invites and encourages members of GSMC to express their opinions via the newspaper. All letters to the editor should be sent to GSMC Stuttgart, Public Affairs Office, Attn: Editor, Stuttgart Citizen, APO 09154. Letters must be signed although names will be withheld from publication by request. A daytime phone number is also requested. For more information, call 420-6067/7213.

## citizen profile



photo by Bob Gonsalves

## Good job!

**Matthew Louis, GSMC Boy Scout Troop #3, was recognized at the July 19 BC/Z Town Hall meeting for meritorious achievement while assisting the BC/Z ACS with a food drive designed as a community project for the rank of Eagle Scout. Louis collected over 35 bags of non-perishable foods which will be distributed by ACS to needy soldiers.**

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# ACS celebrates 24 years of family support

By Sayer  
Citizen staff

The Army Community Service commemorated 24 years of support to soldiers and their families Tuesday in a celebration held at the PX at Robinson Barracks.

ACS was established in 1965 to provide services and support to military family members. Its founding was a milestone for soldiers with families because before that time they could rely only on informal help from their community. Sometimes the wives' club provided a lending closet or other services. Other times, commanders tried to help families. But their efforts invariably proved limited in scope and effectiveness.

Prior to the advent of ACS, a soldier's family was regarded as his or her responsibility. The attitude was expressed in the cliché "If the Army wanted you to have a family, they would have issued you one." But times and demographics changed. As more soldiers began marrying at younger ages, the need for improved family services became obvious.

Each of the six major subcommunities in GSMC has an ACS office. Those offices, in turn, offer a wide range of services. Outreach/Relocation, Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP), Information and Referral, Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance, Army Emergency Relief (AER), and the Family Advocacy Program all fall under the ACS umbrella.

**Outreach/Relocation** is responsible for briefing incoming personnel and family members in the areas of community organization and support to include pre and post-move briefings; sponsorship training involving a very comprehensive Welcome Packet; the lending closet, which makes a variety of house-keeping items available for temporary loan to incoming and outgoing families; disseminates packet information about Army posts worldwide; provides specialized family services including a Mothers' Support Group, Exceptional Family Member Program, English as a second language and an upcoming German language course; and a hotel visitation program designed to relay information about GSMC to newly-arrived soldiers and their families.

**The Family Member Employment**

**Assistance Program** "provides positive support and encouragement to family members in their job searches and career development efforts," according to Margaret Moody, FMEAP coordinator at RB.

In addition to mounds of information regarding available employment, FMEAP teaches family members how to write resumes, cover letters, and how to fill out other forms; provides information on the Army Education Center Services; keeps tabs on local college and university classes and private company training programs; runs Rent-A-Youth and other employment programs for the young; and conducts training workshops geared to mastering topics as diverse as completing SF-171 forms, volunteering experiences, career transition tips, portable careers for mobile spouses and other helpful items.

**The Information and Referral** program has a more concise function. The program aims to provide answers to questions concerning the local economy and military communities.

Questions regarding money can most often be referred to the **Consumer Affairs and Financial Assistance** branch. This program helps members

maintain checkbooks, it holds classes on how to budget for personal finances; it advises soldiers how to write letters to creditors, and it maintains a food locker. The latter offers a 3-day supply of food for families who need it.

Soldiers needing emergency financial assistance can go to the **Army Emergency Relief**. AER provides such relief to soldiers and their families along with helping needy spouses and orphans of deceased Army members. About 40 percent of AER's funds go to assisting soldiers with rent. AER comes to the rescue also in the areas of spending for essential POVs, required travel expenses, utilities, food, loss of funds and non-receipt of pay.

Finally, the **Family Advocacy** program attempts to prevent and treat child and spouse abuse by operating hotlines to educate families on where to go for help and by providing counselors to educate family members on how better to cope with problems and stresses inherent in the transitory military life style.

ACS, then, has many irons in the fire and they're all designed to help soldiers and their families.

## Weapons experts strive to build 'rifle of future'

The latest version of the Vietnam-era rifle, the M-16A2, is thought to be one of the most accurate and reliable assault rifles in the world. But Department of Defense weapons experts aren't completely satisfied; they want to greatly increase a shooter's chance of hitting a target under stressful combat conditions. Their goal is to field a weapon that has a 100-percent hit probability over the M-16A2.

**Weapons experts** at the Joint Services Small Arms Program at Picatinny Arsenal, N.J., have had several advanced-technology assault rifles under scrutiny for more than four years. "We're down to four prototypes from four different manufacturers," said Bill Harris, a spokesman at Picatinny, home of the Army's Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center. "The goal is to discover if we have a technology that will increase a shooter's hit probability. It could be that none of the four meets the new requirements. But maybe a combination of them could turn into the combat rifle of the future."

The **prototypes** include a salvo system that launches multiple projectiles to compensate for large aiming errors; ergonomic systems that use improved sighting systems for easy aiming; high rate-of-fire gun mechanisms; high-velocity, low-impulse projectiles and lightweight caseless and plastic-cased ammunition.

The weapons are:  
A gas-operated, caseless "bullpup"-design weapon with the barrel and action set back in the stock to shorten the rifle. Made by Heckler and Koch of West Germany, it features a four-position selector switch; safe, semiautomatic, three-round salvo burst and fully automatic. The West German army is also interested in this weapon.

An M-16-type air-cooled, gas-operated, magazine-fed rifle that fires both standard 5.56mm ammunition and a round containing two separate bullets. It's made by Colt Industries of Hartford, Conn.

**Another M-16-based design** by AAI Corp. of Cockeysville, Md., that is a gas-operated, magazine-fed flechette (a 10.2 grain finned steel dart) firing rifle.

A second "bullpup"-design weapon featuring a rising chamber mechanism and a side-initiating round. It fires a steel flechette from a plastic-cased round. It's made by Steyr-Mannlicher of Austria.

The Army's Combat Systems Test Agency at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., is conducting engineering and safety tests. Troop firing tests between soldiers and airmen are slated for Fort Benning, Ga., in August on a specially designed computerized firing range.

"With the safety tests, we're trying to check the different modes of fire and certain danger areas you have with any small arms, like 'cook off,'" said George Niewenhaus, senior test director at Aberdeen. "Cook-off means if you fire it (the weapon) until it gets too hot, the heat could cause the next round to go off without the trigger being pulled. This could be dangerous because it may not happen immediately. The shooter could fire several magazines — say a hundred rounds in fairly short order — then stop, waiting for another target. While he's waiting, the gun may go off because it got so hot. This could be dangerous if it was pointed at someone."

"Or it could malfunction and go off while it's being cleared," Niewenhaus added. "It could damage the weapon, hurt the shooter and whoever is standing next to him. So we're trying to find out how far we can push the weapons before they cook off."

Testers fired 4,000 rounds through several samples

of the prototype weapons to see how many they could handle without major damage.

"Our major concerns are jamming and overheating," said Niewenhaus.

When an infantryman fires an M-16A2 rifle at his own relaxed pace during target practice, the weapon is very accurate. But that changes dramatically under combat conditions. "When you get into combat, there is a high level of stress involved — fear for his life," Niewenhaus emphasized. "So the guy's ability to shoot accurately deteriorates rapidly. We're trying to get a weapon that goes further to improve hit probability under those conditions. The idea being, if a shooter has one shot to hit a target, under normal, calm, cool and collected conditions, he won't have a problem. But under high-stress conditions of combat, he might miss it altogether because he's scared."

In addition to the futuristically designed, high-technology assault rifles, DoD is testing different types of ammunition. "We're testing multiple projectiles, very fast firing bursts — one candidate has two bullets in the cartridge," said Niewenhaus. "Two bullets go out of the muzzle and at some distance, they start to move to the side slightly. Under those conditions, there is a greater chance of a rifleman hitting the target. The flechette cartridge fires a very lightweight still-dart traveling at a very high velocity. Because it's so light, there is very little recoil; that might eliminate some of the problems going off course."

Niewenhaus emphasized that DoD is not planning to replace that M-16A2 now. "When all the testing is done and the results are evaluated, they may decide that none of these weapons is a great improvement over the M-16," he said. (AFIS)

### updates

#### Mailing food

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is taking a tougher stance against people who send or take prohibited foodstuffs to the States. "Military members are not exempt from these rules," said T.H. Russell, USDA advisor to the European Command, "so don't put fresh fruit, vegetables, red meats, sausage, plants, or soil into the mail or your household goods."

"After all, plant and animal pests and diseases cost the American taxpayers \$22 billion a year," Russell added, "and many destructive pests come from Europe." Citrus-Canker affects citrus crops and was accidentally imported into the States. Forty years and \$13 million later the disease was eradicated. A contaminated parakeet brought Newcastle Disease, a deadly bird virus, into the States in 1971. As a result, 12 million chickens had to be destroyed at a cost of \$56 million. It took two years and over \$97 million to rid

California of the Mediterranean Fruit Fly.

You wouldn't want to cause one of these disease outbreaks. One piece of fruit or sausage, or just one small bird can be very damaging. Call your local 42d MP Group customs office to find out more.

#### Household employees

With many new people arriving in USAREUR, families will be looking for affordable and convenient child care. One alternative many people will be considering is hiring a nannie. However, before hiring a nannie, you must ensure that he/she complies with the German Law and your post housing policies. The first stop you should make is your legal assistance office. The legal assistance office has a list of all the German agencies you must visit to qualify your nannie as a household employee. You must comply with German Law before you begin employment of the nannie.

If you live in government quarters, you also need to speak with your stairwell coordinator to complete the

paperwork to comply with German Law and/or housing regulations. If you fail to comply with German Law and/or housing regulations, you could be facing a stiff German fine and adverse command action.

#### ITT office hours

Effective immediately GSMC ITT offices will operate on the following schedule:

Robinson Barracks: Mon., Wed., Fri., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tue., Thur., 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; (closed 2 p.m.-3 p.m.); Nellingen Barracks: Wed. and Fri., 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; (closed 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.); Patch Barracks: Mon., Tue., Thur., 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; (closed 1 p.m.-2 p.m.)

Schedule will remain in effect until Aug 7 when the Contracted Travel Office (CTO) is scheduled to begin operating full travel service offices at Robinson Barracks and Patch. The Nellingen ITT office will again be fully operational Monday through Friday beginning Aug 7 as well.

story and photos by Lionel R. Green  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

**"Hit the road, Jack, and don't ya come back, no more, no more, no more, no more..."**

Christine Charles doesn't want you to "hit the road," but if you workout at one of her Jazzercise classes, you probably will be saying, "no more, no more, no more, no more."

Charles brought the popular Jazzercise experience to Stuttgart six years ago and has watched it grow from two to 15 classes in that time.

She moved to Stuttgart from Augsburg in 1982 because Stuttgart didn't have a Jazzercise program at the time. She became certified through a workshop in Rome, Italy, and has been jazzing it up in Stuttgart ever since.

Becoming a certified Jazzercise instructor wasn't a matter of being able to touch your toes or doing jumping jacks for eight consecutive hours.

"I had to pass a physiology exam, become certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation yearly, and learn 16 dance routines," Charles said. "And I also had to learn the business aspects of being a Jazzercise instructor."

The changes between a Jazzercise class in 1983 and 1989 have been dramatic.

"Back then we never wore shoes," Charles said. "We also didn't do the movements that we do today."

Charles tries to make her classes a learning experience which almost comes naturally since she's a regional testing coordinator for Central Texas College.

"I try to teach the students physiology," Charles explained. "I tell them what muscles they're using and what the need is for exercising that muscle. I think it's important to understand one's body."

Besides the obvious physical benefits of Jazzercising, there are mental benefits as well.

"It's a great stress-reliever," Charles said. "While my students are exercising, I tell them to forget about their children at home or whatever causes them stress, and just have fun."

Nadine Bush actually brings her six-and-a-half-week-old child, Ashley, with her when she attends Charles' class.

"I take her classes to lose the weight she (Ashley) put on me," Bush said.

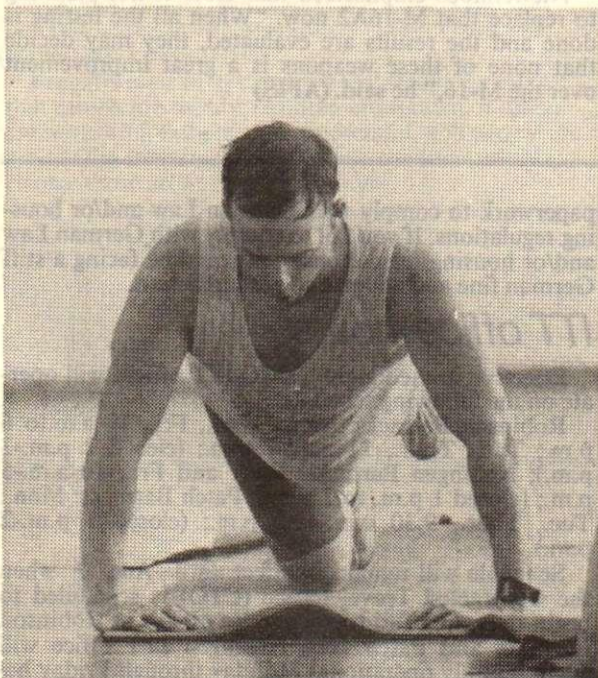
Louis Poirier, one of the few men that



Christine Charles jazzes it up.

## 'All that jazz'

*Aerobic instructor stretches rhythmic workout to outer limits*



Louis Poirier pumps out a Jazzercise push-up.



Nadine Bush takes a breather with 6½-week-old daughter, Ashley.

attends Charles' class, takes the class with his wife, Barbara.

"This is my fitness program," Poirier said.

Charles doesn't just play the music, she lead the exercises for an hour and then go home. She expects her students to do everything to the best of their ability and enjoy themselves. She also gains something from her students.

"When one of my students said, 'I now get into the pants I wore eight years ago,' it felt real good knowing I did it with somebody," Charles said. "The students also motivate me with their energy."

As an avid Jazzerciser, Charles knows the importance of regular exercise. And she also knows the importance of making regular exercise not seem so regular.

"Each individual has to find the aerobic activity they enjoy," Charles advised. "Whatever it is, it's important to like what you're doing. If you don't like it, you'll quit."

She also added that a light to moderate workout three to four times a week is a reasonable work-out pace.

When Charles teaches her classes, music plays a key role in keeping the blood pumping.

"You've got to mix up the songs and the movement," Charles said. "I try to use the most current music." Musicians such as Bobby Brown and Janet Jackson are a couple of singers who get the class moving. She also said a lot of parents hear the music their teenagers are listening to for the first time in my class.

Charles uses her talents to help community causes such as the Jazzercise marathon that helped in raising money for Special Olympics. She also has volunteers to do physical training programs for military units around the Greater Stuttgart Military Community.

Charles said her two finest moments in her jazzercise career were participating with Jazzercise in the opening ceremonies of the 1984 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles and in 1986 in the closing ceremonies of the Statue of Liberty celebration in New York City.

This year is perhaps the most celebrated year for Jazzercise in Germany as well as in the States. This year is Jazzercise's 20th anniversary and its 10th in Germany. And, thanks to Christine Charles, Jazzercise will celebrate its sixth year in Stuttgart.

If you'd like to workout with Christine, stop by the Kornwestheim Recreation Center located across from Wilkin Kaserne.



Henriquetta dH Wessman, Hispanic Employment Program Manager



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# EEO

## 'Insuring employment equality for all'

by Steve Snyder  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

**M**anagers are afraid that we're out to get them but we're not," said Brenda Mohlere, Equal Employment Opportunity Officer for GSMC.

EEO deals with U.S. citizens, employees and applicants for employment in GSMC, of which there are approximately 4,000, according to Mohlere. The office is geared toward insuring that civilian employees within GSMC have equality of opportunity in employment, those working in jobs with both appropriated and non-appropriated funds.

EEO is not to be confused with the Equal Opportunity Office (EOO) which deals exclusively with military personnel. Both offices, though, are charged with essentially the same task.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, Public Laws, Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1613, and Section 13a of Executive Order 11491, require the elimination of discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age (over 40 years), and physical or mental handicap from all personnel management practices.

Numerous court cases have set precedents for ensuring equal employment opportunities for all U.S. citizens.

Categories of minorities covered under EEO regulations are Blacks, Hispanics, Asians, Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and women.

Within the Department of the Army, responsibility for administering the EEO program is delegated by the Secretary of the Army down through channels to commander, EEO program officials, managers and supervisors at all levels.

To maintain an effective EEO program, managers and supervisors must practice non-discrimination in hiring, firing, assigning, and training of employees and potential employees. They must also take affirmative action to guarantee employees have a fair shot at attaining the highest level job in which their performance qualifies them. This does not mean that women and minorities receive an automatic boost to

the top but only that doors are opened for qualified individuals. The law cannot force management to hire unqualified individuals, promote workers whose work is not up to snuff or create career ambitions where there are none.

## Fairness essential to EEO official

by Steve Snyder  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

GSMC's EEO Officer Brenda Mohlere says that "if we see that there's an imbalance in an organization, we talk to the managers about their employment practices." She notes that EEO pays special attention to positions at the GS12 level and up. The starting salary for a GS12 is \$34,580. It's important that all qualified employees have a shot at such plums.

"So many times employees don't realize they have an avenue in EEO if they feel discriminated against on the job," Mohlere continued. "Supervisors, too, don't realize that they are responsible for equal employment opportunities," she added.

Mohlere's EEO office has four additional staffers, including three who run programs concentrating on women, Blacks, and Hispanics. The office also refers people to any one of 15 collateral duty counselors who work part-time. Counselors are required to conduct formal inquiries into allegations of discrimination. When a complaint is received by EEO, a counselor is assigned to inquire into the allegations. The counselor has 21 days to seek redress for the complainant or to dismiss the complaint. Counselors attempt to resolve workers' disputes with management at the level where the problem has arisen, according to Mohlere.

EEO receives about 15 complaints a year, Mohlere said. Race or sexual discrimination on the job made up the majority of the complaints, she noted.

"The majority of complaints do not involve discrimination but are due to poor personnel practices," she said.

Her advice to managers and supervisors? "If you're going to be a good or bad supervisor — be consistent — be good or bad with everybody," she said.

EEO is also charged with granting relief to victims of deficiencies in program administration. Mohlere guides and directs the EEO program by educating employees, supervisors, and managers about the program, its objectives and requirements, individual responsibilities, and ways to determine whether program objectives are being met. EEO conducts monthly classes for employers, quarterly ones for supervisors, and runs an orientation seminar for employees through the Civilian Personnel Office, Mohlere said.

The EEO staff reports directly to the commander of GSMC. "The command is very supportive of EEO and wants to be sure that there aren't any problems festering out there," according to Mohlere.

Three programs are currently being given special emphasis by DA direction.

The Federal Women's Program was formed in 1967 by the President and added to the EEO program two years later. Its objective is to make sure that women have full equality in recruitment, placement, promotion, training and development, recognition, status, and pay in all positions and grade levels.

Another program on top of EEO's agenda is the Hispanic Employment Program (HEP). Formerly called the Spanish Speaking Program, HEP was established in 1970 to call attention to the needs of Spanish-speaking people in Federal employment situations.

The Hispanic Employment Program manager for GSMC is Henriquetta dH Wessman while Barbara Manzo manages the Federal Women's Program. Darlene Copeland is EEO Assistant to Mohlere.

The office has recently expanded services to include the Black Employment Program (BEP), the third leg of the triad being given special attention by DA directive. BEP was established in 1988. It strives to achieve a civilian work force in which Black employees are represented in every major organization, occupational category, and grade level in accordance with their representation in the overall work force. The BEP manager position is currently vacant.

EEO staff members are not only program managers but also career planners, educators, recruiters, and advisors. The staff is located in bldg. 111, room 205, Robinson Barracks. Appointments may be requested by calling 420-6059.

# RB defeats Patch, 5-3, to win regular season kaserne-level soccer title by one game



Brett Kennedy (right) of RB sets to pass.

story and photo by Lionel R. Green  
Stuttgart Citizen sports writer

Patch Barracks and Robinson Barracks went into their final regular season game in the Greater Stuttgart Military Community kaserne-level soccer league with identical 5-1 records on July 23 at Robinson Barracks.

To the winner would go the number one seeding in the double elimination tournament scheduled for Aug. 5-6 at Robinson Barracks.

In the first period of the match, Rick Gonzales started the scoring with a header midway through the period to put RB up, 1-0. Soon after, Patch retaliated with a goal by Phillip Lyn to tie it at 1-1. RB's

Keith Scott answered with a goal of his own to put RB back up, 2-1. Then, Patch tied the game again with another Lyn goal, and both teams went into halftime knotted at 2-2.

The second period started out like the first with Keith Scott scoring his second goal to put RB ahead to stay, 3-2. Solomon Hagos then nailed an insurance goal down to give RB a 4-2 lead. Patch trimmed the lead down to 4-3 on a goal by Rick Elizondo, but a great save on a penalty kick by RB goalie Vince Cozzone and another insurance goal by Karl Kerr was all RB needed to win the game and claim the regular season crown.

George Hagos, Brian Van Vranken, and Ken Scott all played outstanding defense and Sylvia Diaz had an assist for

the victors.

"We played real aggressive," said RB Coach George Hagos. "We lost to Patch before, so we practiced a lot just to get a chance to play this team."

Patch coach Phillip Lyn didn't give any excuses for the loss.

"We had our chances," he said. "I highly credit the goalie of RB (Cozzone) who played an excellent game. We did have some new players, but it was just about an even game."

The final regular season standings were:

RB .....	6-1
Patch .....	5-2
Krabbenloch .....	4-3
Flak .....	0-7

## Patch boys, girls are VII Corps champs

### YS Senior teams head to Heidelberg for USAREUR finale

by Lionel R. Green  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

The Youth Services Senior (16-19) Patch boys baseball team and Senior Patch girls softball team won the VII Corps Championship in their divisions on July 22-23.

In the Senior division, the Patch boys defeated Wuerzburg 9-2 at Patch's Huskey Field to claim their VII Corps title, and the Patch girls swept Kitzingen 18-3 and 27-12 to win their championship held at Robinson Barracks.

In the Senior boys game, Pat Golla fired a two-hitter and Patch took advantage of 10 walks to defeat Wuerzburg, 9-2. Leading the offensive attack for Patch was Kevin Ellis who had two singles, Brian Anderson with a double and David Beaver added a single.

Wuerzburg left the bases loaded in the first inning and Patch scored two runs and added another in the second inning to go up, 3-0. That would be all they needed. Patch knocked in three insurance runs in the third inning to make it 6-0 and cruised the rest of the way.

Coaches Mark Reynolds, Jeff Robinson and Peter Ham will now take their team to the VII Corps Championships in Heidelberg scheduled for Aug. 3-6.

In the Senior girls' division, Patch swept Kitzingen, 18-3 and 27-12, to take the VII Corps softball championship. Patch totally dominated Kitzingen in their quest for a fifth consecutive VII Corps title.

Patch's victories were a total team effort with 10 of the 13 girls batting over .600 for the two games. Claudia Emerson had six hits in seven at bats to claim the highest average for the tournament at .857. Laura Junghans smacked a 250-foot plus grand slam in the second game for the big blow of the tournament and Kristi Ruth had a homerun also. Colleen Quinlan was the defensive ace for Patch at shortstop.

The Patch girls coached by David Junghans will go to Heidelberg for the

USAREUR championship.

In the Baden-Wuerttemberg Championships at Pattonville on July 23, Patch edged Ludwigsburg-Kornwestheim 4-2 in nine innings to win the Bantam A (10-12) division and go on to the VII Corps Championship in Augsburg.

Patch will also represent the girls' Bantam A division in the VII Corps Championship held at Aschaffenburg.

In the Bantam B division Baden-Wuerttemberg Championships held at Nellingen on July 23, Robinson Barracks and Nellingen battled until the end. Nellingen nipped Robinson Barracks, 12-11, in their first meeting. Nellingen exploded for 10 runs in the third inning and held on for the win forcing a second game. Robinson Barracks was just too much for Nellingen in the championship game, defeating them by the ten-run rule in five innings, 19-9.

Robinson Barracks will go to the boys Bantam B VII Corps Championship to be held at Nellingen.

In the girls Bantam B division held at Schwaebisch Gmuend, Nellingen fell to Schwaebisch Gmuend in extra innings, 9-8.

### Wanted

SV Moehringen German Women's Basketball team was the most successful team in the metropolitan Stuttgart area in 1988-89 finishing fourth in the second highest division. They need immediately an all-around, mobile center who can get the fast break started, and if necessary, finish it off!

That's the only missing link for a leap into the first division. The Women's team practice starts Aug. 1. If you're interested in becoming a member of this fast-rising team, contact Nat White, 0711-2035327 during duty hours or 0711-487687 after duty hours. Or call Peter Mayer, 0711-713733.

### YS cheerleading

The GSMC Youth Services will be holding registration for the 1989 cheerleading season from Aug. 1 to Aug. 30. The cheerleading season begins on Sept. 9. Registration will take place at all YS centers, Tue. to Fri. from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Late registrations will be accepted on a space-available basis.

All YS members, ages 10-15 years, are eligible for participation. A \$15 sports fee will be charged. Volunteer coaches are also needed.

For information, contact your local YS.

### YS soccer

Registration for the GSMC YS soccer season is now going on and will continue through Aug. 4. All YS ID card holders are eligible. A \$15 fee will be charged. Volunteer commissioners and coaches are needed too.

For information, contact your local YS.

### Raft race

The 1989 VII Corps Raft Race is scheduled for Aug. 5 at Würzburg. All teams interested in competing need to report to Leighton Barracks no later than 9 a.m.

For information, call the Outdoor Recreation Branch, 420-6202.

### Jazzercise

Join Jazzercise now! It's a balanced combination of aerobics, toning, and stretching that's good for your body. Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday by a certified instructor from 5 to 6 p.m. at the RB Elementary School Gym. The first class is free.

For information, call 07154-29244 or stop by the Kornwestheim Recreation Center located across from Wilkin Kaserne.

### Pool tournament

Every Sunday at 1 p.m. the Kornwestheim Recreation Center holds a pool tournament. The weekly winner receives a certificate, and the person with the most wins at the end of the quarter wins a trophy. Sign up no later than 12:30 p.m. every Sunday. There is no charge.

For information, call 07154-29244 or stop by the Kornwestheim Recreation Center located across from Wilkin Kaserne.

# Stepping Out with Evi Hofielen

July 31-August 6  
DAILY

## KILLESBERG

PARK — For the entire family (Miniature Train Ride thru Park; Pony Rides; Playground; Barbecue Area; Cafeterias), Stuttgart.

## VOLKSFEST

Ludwigsburg, Baerenwiese, thru Sunday, Aug. 6.

Monday, July 31

"THE GODS MUST BE CRAZY TOO" — Feature film in English, Kino Atelier 2, Kronprinzstr. 6, 6:15 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10 p.m., thru Wednesday, Aug. 2

JAZZOTHEK — Jazz Haus, Wilhelmstr. 5, 9 p.m.

"MEAN STREETS" — Feature film in English, CORSO Movie-Theatre, Hauptstr. 6, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, 8:15 p.m., 11 p.m. thru Wednesday, Aug. 2.

Tuesday, Aug. 1

JAZZMO DIXIE GANG — Dixieland Hall, Marienstr. 3, 7:30 p.m.

BLUES & SWING — Merlin, Furtbachstr. 14, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 2

HAPPY WINE CRUISE ON NECKAR RIVER — Departure: Across from Wilhelma Zoo, 6:30 p.m.

JAZZMO DIXIE GANG — Dixieland Hall, Marienstr. 3, 7:30 p.m.

SONGS % EVERGREENS — Merlin, Furtbachstr. 14, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 3

"CHECKING OUT" — Feature film in English, Kino Atelier 2, Kronprinzstr. 6, 6:15 p.m., 8:15 p.m., 10:30 p.m., thru Wednesday, Aug. 9.

"BAT 21" — Feature film in English, CORSO Movie-Theatre, Hauptstr. 6, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, 8:15 p.m., 11 p.m. thru Wednesday, Aug. 9.

JAZZMO DIXIE GANG — Dixieland Hall, Marienstr. 3, 7:30 p.m.

JAZZ & RAGTIME — Merlin, Furtbachstr. 14, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 4

SINDELINGEN RIDING TOURNAMENT AND HORSE SHOW — Reiterhof am Sonnenhof, thru Sunday, Aug. 6.

KELTERFEST IM FREIENSTEIN — Wine Fest, Freienstein, Stuttgart-Muenster, thru Saturday, Aug. 5.

HOUR OF CHURCH MUSIC — Works by A.G. Ritter; Stiftskirche, Stiftsstrasse, 7 p.m.

JAZZMO DIXIE GANG — Dixieland Hall, Marienstr. 3, 7:30 p.m.

TANGO DUO — Laboratorium Wagenburgstr. 147, 8:30 p.m.

SETTIN' PEACE — Jazz Rock; Taverna Litfass, Schwabenzentrum Stuttgart, Eberhardstrasse, 12 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 5

FLEA MARKET — Karlsplatz, Stuttgart, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

FLEA MARKET — Esslingen, Osterfeldhalle, all day.

OUTDOOR CONCERT — Musikpavillon Schlossplatz, 2:30 p.m.

RIVERBOAT PARTY ON NECKAR RIVER — Departure: Across from Wilhelma Zoo, 7:30 p.m.

WINE TASTING — Weinstadt-Beutelsbach, wine-press house, all day, thru Sunday, Aug. 6.

CONCERT — "Bach/Beethoven"; Liederhalle, 7 p.m.

JAZZMO DIXIE GANG — Dixieland Hall, Marienstr. 3, 7:30 p.m.

THE YOUNG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA STUTTGART — Works by Monteverdi; Courtyard of the Old Castle, 8 p.m.

LOS ALHAMA — Laboratorium, Wagenburgstr. 147, 8:30 p.m.

"ACID" — "Roehre", Wagenburgtunnel, Neckarstr. 34, 9 p.m.

SETTIN' PEACE — Jazz Rock; Taverna Litfass, Schwabenzentrum Stuttgart, Eberhardstrasse, 12 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 6

"THE REBELS" — Open-Air Concert, Killesburg, 3 p.m.

FLAT FOOT STOMPERS — Kurpark Bad Cannstatt, 4 p.m.

SOLID OLD JAZZBAND — Kurpark Bad Cannstatt, 6:15 p.m.

CONCERT — "Bach/Beethoven"; Liederhalle, 7 p.m.

THE YOUNG PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA — Courtyard of the Old Castle, 8 p.m.

VOLKSMARCH

Saturday & Sunday: HEINSTETTEN, POC: Arthur Fritz, Messtetterstr. 28, 7475 Messtetten-Heinstetten, tel: 07579-393.

Sunday: STRITTMATT, POC: Ludwig Ebner, Strittmatt 57, 7883 Goehrwil, tel: 07754-7342.

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## Junk food for the soul

# Critic knocks 'mindless' rock

by Steve Snyder  
Stuttgart Citizen staff

Arthur Schopenhauer, perceptive philosopher and prominent pessimist, once noted that a person's ability to tolerate noise stood in reverse ratio to his intellectual capacity.

'Tis a pity he never lived to see the rise of rock 'n roll.

Rock today is big business, perhaps the most profit-making industry going. Statisticians claim that the average American between the ages of 13 and 26 listened to two-to-three hours of rock music daily. And everybody else, whether they care to be or not, is bombarded by its ruthless cacophonies.

Rock dominates the spirit of our age. It's pervasive in shaping the values of the young. As such, it deserves to be judged on its merits. Doing so, one comes to the conclusion that rock is a harbinger of mindless emotionalism and an integral part of a moronic revolt against reason. It's a kind of junk food for the soul. As such, rock is a near-perfect representation of what writer John O'Hara once described as "The Age of the Jerk."

It was not always thus.

In the beginning, rock had some class. I used to like it and I'm a baby-boomer, Sinatra groupie, and '60s revisionist. It could be that my arteries are hardening but it's also possible that today's rock is inferior to its predecessors. Stuart Goldman, columnist and former rocker, wrote a thought-provoking piece recently in *National Review* (Feb. 24 issue). His thesis confirms my suspicion.

Goldman notes "that present-day rock has little to do with the original form that began in the Fifties." Artists of "real talent and original vision" like "Elvis, Buddy Holly, Fats Domino, Chuck Berry, the Everly Brothers and Jerry Lee Lewis" (to name only a few) dominated the scene. Rock reached its artistic zenith

in the late 1960s, splitting thereafter into rival factions (and bizarre sounds). According to Goldman, the Rolling Stones "were the progenitors of the look, the sound, and most importantly the attitude that every heavy-metal outfit today utilizes." Conversely, "the Beatles' combination of cuteness and artiness... gave birth to softer, more melodic, and less primitive groups like U2 and the Talking Heads."

Goldman believes that "rhythmic rock divorced itself from melody and ended up as a relentless percussive assault on the human ear" while melodic rock "evolved into a beatier version of the 50s popular music it had replaced." He doesn't much like either variant but reserves special scorn for the heavy-metal cretins.

Musical tastes aside, Goldman's most interesting and relevant comments concern the values which today's rock music seems determined to perpetuate. He slams rock for pushing "the myth of eternal youth," for the "calculated androgyny" of many of its stars, for its glorification of sex sans romance, and for its "smarmy, hypocritical version of brotherly love." In Goldman's view, "the true god of the rock belief system is the self." Rock is "hostile to reason" because it "stands essentially for the liberation of emotion from the tyranny of reason."

The rock ideal, then, is a neurotic who is emotionally self-indulgent, who refuses to think and who's self-centered to the point of narcissism. Beautiful people. In Goldman's bleak vision, rock "promises eternal youth, bliss, happiness, and fulfillment for a terminally empty soul."

To avoid all that, I think I'll throw a Mamas and the Papas tape into the cassette. Or maybe take in a Gene Kelly musical (if one can be found). Better yet, how about some dancing cheek-to-cheek? For some people, holding a warm body on the dance floor may not be as exciting as gyrating in solitude amid the clamor of a disco. But I'm not one of those people.

And hey man. If you don't like it, I'll hit you over the head with my cane.

## stuttgart notes

### Shabbat services

The GSMC Jewish Community holds Shabbat evening services every Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Robinson Barracks Chapel Annex followed by a kiddush and refreshments. All Jewish personnel are encouraged to attend.

For details, contact 420-6461.

### Patch Outreach craft

Patch ACS Outreach craft will be held Aug. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Arts & Crafts center. Cost is \$5, free babysitting will be provided by the Patch Girl Scouts.

Sign-up is necessary one week in advance. Call 430-5270.

### OCWC sign-up

The Patch Barracks Officer and Civilian Wives Club is hosting a sign-up coffee for membership application and activities at the Club Aug. 8 from 7 to 9 p.m.

For information, contact Ms. Zaniewski at 07044-42403.

### WOA picnic

The 2nd annual picnic for all Warrant Officers and their families sponsored by the Warrant Officer Association, Stuttgart Silver Chapter, will be held Aug. 5 at 1 p.m. at Robinson Barracks.

For information, contact 4282-595.

### HEP meeting

The Hispanic Employment Committee (HEP) will have their monthly meeting tomorrow at 1 p.m. in bldg. 107, Robinson Barracks. Everyone is invited.

For information, contact 420-6059.

### 'Starry Nights'

Tickets are now on sale for the hottest summer show — "Starry Nights." Performances are Aug. 11 and 12 at 8 p.m. at the Stuttgart Theatre Center, 5th General Hospital, Bad Cannstatt.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4 for students (13-18 years) and \$3 for children (5-12 years). No children

under 5 years of age will be admitted.

Advance reservations may be made at all local ITT offices; Kelley, Flak, Krabbenloch, and Panzer Rec centers and at the Entertainment Branch office, bldg. 112, rm. 318, Robinson Barracks.

For information, call 420-6148.

### Krabbenloch dinner

Don't miss the seafood dinner on Aug. 5 at the Krabbenloch Rec center! The price per menu is \$5, sign-up by tomorrow.

For details, contact 4282-553.

## Detective Tails



