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USACE leader tours Wiesbaden housing



Jay Martinek (left), district project engineer, gives Tim Hess (second left), director of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers International and Interagency Support Team; David Peng, area engineer (second right); Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Dorko (right), USACE deputy commanding general of military and international operations; and Lt. Col. Michelle Garcia (center) deputy district commander; a tour of the military housing construction project near the Wiesbaden Army Airfield Oct. 31, 2011.

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Ansbach breaks ground on new auto skills center

ANSBACH, Germany – Representatives from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District and U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach pulled out their shovels to turn dirt during a groundbreaking ceremony Nov. 4 marking the beginning of construction on an auto skills center in the Urlas Housing Area.

The \$6 million building and supporting facilities will provide the military community with nine maintenance bays, an automatic car wash building and even a dog wash, said Col. Kelly Lawler, USAG Ansbach commander.

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USACE breaks ground on CDC/CYS

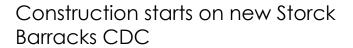
ANSBACH, Germany – On Halloween Day, there were no costumes, no candy, and no ghosts, at least not at the ground breaking ceremony for the combined Child Development Center and School Age Services at Katterbach Kaserne. The only dirt turning on this



ghoulish day was in preparation for construction.

For the second time in one week, representatives from the U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach; Family Morale, Welfare and Recreation; Child, Youth and School Services; the Nuremberg State Construction Office and Einhaupl Construction; the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District; and several children ceremoniously started construction by shoveling and tossing dirt.

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STORCK BARRACKS, Germany – Representatives from U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach, Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Department of Public Works and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District, along with several children donned hard hats, picked up shovels and tossed dirt as they partnered to break ground on a new \$9.7 million child development center in Illesheim, Germany Oct. 25.

Speaking at the ceremony, Col. Kelly J. Lawler, USAG Ansbach commander, acknowledged the importance of the event.

"It is a great day for the garrison to be able to break ground on this new facility," Lawler said.

When complete in late 2013, the more than 15,800 square-foot CDC will accommodate up to 126 children from the ages of 6 weeks to 5 years old.

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Marathon builds USACE employees camaraderie

FRANKFURT, Germany – More than 15,200 racers lined up to compete in the BMW Frankfurt Marathon, including five U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Europe District employees.

When Michelle Rachel, a project manager and the final leg of a fourperson relay team, crossed the finish line Oct. 30, it was the first time she raced as part of a team.



"Crossing the finish as part of a team gave me a little more drive when racing," Rachel said. "Normally, I'm only competing against myself, but with three others counting on me, it puts a little more pressure to perform and not let the rest of the team down."

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