



Whazzup at the HUB

Patch Youth Center

Winter 2013



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The HUB March Madness!!!



The HUB is having a high school lock-in focused on Basketball. Yea that's right, all about basketball!!! On March 30th we are inviting any interested high school youth to stay at our facility for an overnight of basketball fun!!



The NCAA Basketball Tournament will be hopping at this point. This is the Elite Eight weekend. We will watch the basketball games, as well as have some basketball competitions of our own!

There will be three divisions: boys, girls, and co-ed; with 8 different competitions: 1 on 1, 3 on 3, 5 on 5, 3 point shooting, Hot shot, lay ups, free throw shots, and maybe, just maybe a dunk contest!!!

The price is \$25 per youth and you will get a t-shirt, BBQ dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday morning.

The registration deadline is March 11th.

We are inviting youth from all over Germany so invite your friends who have base privileges.

If you have a team for 3 on 3 or 5 on 5, GREAT! If not, do not worry, we will put together teams for you.

If you have any questions, please stop by or call the HUB at 430-7204 (0711 680 7204).

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Special points of interest:

- **High School March Madness Lock-in!**
- **MS Dance and MS Lock-ins!**
- **Congratulations Liam Wallace and Adrianna Orr!!!**

Valentines Dance MS Co-ed Lock-in Coffee and AFN

On February 8th, the Patch Youth Center (the HUB) will hold a Valentines Dance. The dance will be from 7-10 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 until February 7th. On February 8th the tickets will be \$7.

A Middle School Lock in at the HUB!!! Sounds like fun! We will be having a Co-ed Middle School Lock-in on February 22nd from 10:00 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. The cost is \$25. Permission slip is required!!!

The teen room is getting coffee for the high school youth. The youth will be able to get coffee as a part of their snack.

The Bistro now has a big screen tv and AFN!!!



Themed Fridays!

Starting in late January, the HUB will have a theme of the night on Friday Nights!

- 25 January—Welcome back 80's
- 1 February—Minute to Win It
- 8 February— Art & Design
- 15 February—Black History Month
- 22 February—Pirates of Patch
- 1 March—Tropical Hawaii

ImageMakers

Enter your photos in our Photography Competition!!! Photographs must be entered in one of the following 4 categories:

- 1.) **Culture and Tradition:** Depicting the events, activities, stories and social gatherings that make up our world. These photos might show the daily life of a family or the traditions or emerging trends that define a group.

Ping Pong Tourney

On February 21st and 22nd the HUB is having a Ping Pong Tournament. There will be three divisions:

- 1.) Middle School
 - 2.) High School
 - 3.) Open
- Middle School participants must be in grades 6th—8th grade. High School participants must be in grades 9th—12th. The winners of each division can compete in the open division against staff and parents. Sign ups start in January for this competition.



- 2.) **Surroundings:** These photos depict our physical surroundings, whether it's natural beauty or the streets outside.
- 3.) **Portraits:** Portraits are a representation of a person or people in which the facial expression is predominant, providing insight into personality, mood and style.
- 4.) **“What Moves Me” Photo with Essay or Poem:** Photos

Artist of the Month

BGCA is launching a brand new Artist of the Month Contest sponsored by Fiskars! Each month there will be a theme and youth are invited to submit a photograph of their best arts and crafts work that fits the theme. The winning artwork will be posted on www.bgca.org, and the artist will receive a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond. The artist's Boys & Girls Club will also receive a \$500 award to support arts programming. This month's theme is “I love...”.. Deadline is 31 Jan.



should answer the question “What moves me?” and be submitted with an essay or poem written by the photographer. Length will vary by age group but should not exceed one page. Deadline is February 20th. Age groups are (6-9), (10-12), (13-15), and (16-18). Please contact the HUB with any questions.

Spring Break

- 05 April: Europa Park
- 08 April: Day Camp
- 09 April: Shopping Trip
- 10 April: Day Camp
- 11 April: Sensapolis with Ropes/Climbing Wall
- 12 April: Galaxy Bowling Center



Youth Career Fair

Looking for a job? Want to find out about different career fields. Come to the he Stuttgart Youth Career Fair at the Patch Youth Center. This event will be held on the 19th of April 2013 from 1pm to 4pm. Representatives from various agencies across the four bases will be present to talk real career options on a one on one basis, as well as holding small group presentations.

April MS Lock-in

WHAT!!! Another Lock-in for those crazy middle school youth?!?!? Are they going to have THAT much fun again?

Oh yea! It is that time. Sign up for the co-ed lock in on April 26th. Better sign up early so you can guarantee a space!



hired!

The HIRED! Apprenticeship Program is seeking. The program is open to ALL youth ages 15 to 18 in the USAG Stuttgart Community. The HIRED! Program offers apprenticeship positions in various Family and MWR/Stuttgart organizations. Apprentices gain real life work experience and workforce preparation training and receive a cash award upon satisfactory program completion. Please call at 430-6289/7204 or stop by "The Hub" (Patch Youth Center) to get HIRED! today!

Junior Staff

Youth ages 13 to 14 may also be able to participate in the Junior Staff program. The goal of this volunteer junior staff program is to expose youth to the work environment under supervision, gain valuable experience, and attend workforce preparation trainings.



Trainings

Open to all youth (6th-12th grade)
23 Jan—Money Matters, **30 Jan**—Career Launch, **6 Feb**—Opportunity Cost + Skills, **13 Feb**—Interview with Success, **20 Feb**—College & Career Investigation, **27 Feb**—EEO for Youth, **6 March**—Career Launch, **13 Mar**—Money Matters, **20 Mar**—Hired Orientation, **27 Mar**—Interview with Success, **3 April**—Time Management, **17 April**—College & Career Investigation, **24 April**—Opportunity Cost + Skills

Youth of the Year

The Youth of the Year award is the Boy's and Girl's Club premier award given to one youth (aged 14-18) who displays an exemplary level of character and leadership within the Youth Center. It is an award that recognizes an individual's service to the club and within the military community. There is the opportunity to compete with other winners at the regional level;

and perhaps the national level. This award compliments any youth who is interested in continuing his/her education after high school.

Congratulations to Liam Wallace, this year's winner!!!

(go to page 6 for more details on Liam.



Youth of the Month

Do you attend the youth center regularly? Do you participate in your center programming? Do you display the 6 Pillars of Character? Are you presently involved in the community or volunteering within the installation? If you are, you may be eligible to receive the Youth of the Year Month!!! If you are interested, please contact Ms. Mary Ann, Ms. Amber or Mr. Jay. at the HUB!!!

Power Hour

Power Hour seeks to positively affect the lives of youth by emphasizing outcomes that help ensure academic success. We offer extended learning opportunities and educational enrichment programming during the after school program. We help improve youth's academic performance and encourage them to graduate from high school, pursue a post-secondary education and develop a lifelong love of learning. Homework completion is

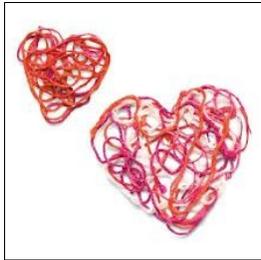
a critical component of youth's academic success.



SYNO

The Stuttgart Youth Newcomer's Orientation is designed to facilitate a successful transition to Germany through equipping middle school and high school-aged youth with the emotional, practical, and cultural tools to adjust to their new home, both within the Stuttgart military community and on the local German economy. No SYNO dates in February but there is one in March, the 8th and 9th. We also have dates on April 4 and 5, and on June 7 and 8.

Art Club



Love is in the air! So is making hearts for your hearts desire. This month we will be working on art projects that you can give the one you love. Moms love art projects!

Cross Stitch

This is the month for Valentine's Day! The cross stitchers will be concentrating on red/white/pink patterns. There are many to choose from here, or you can bring your own! Come stitch, converse, and generally take in the atmosphere of the Hub while doing a task that has been proven to relieve stress.



Jewelry Making

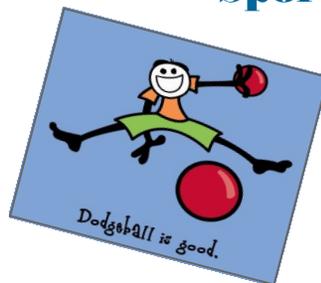


Valentines gifts are on everyone's mind so lets start making some great pieces!! During this month we will be making "Sacred Heart" earrings and a necklace, as well as a "Celebrate" ring and a "Mad Love" bracelet. We will learn new techniques in jewelry making!!!

Dodgeball

The club in most demand!!

Dodge ball is a proven physical activity that helps kids' cardio, reflexes, agility, and physical strength. Along with all of the positive attributes you gain from dodge ball the most important thing is that the kids enjoy their selves and have fun doing something that helps their overall fitness.



Sports, Video & Entertainment

Table Tennis anyone? This month's focus is on Table Tennis since we will be having a Table Tennis Tournament at the end of the month! In preparation for this fun and competitive tournament, we will practice skills, techniques and perhaps learn a few things while we watch some video of the best Table Tennis players in the world. Come and join the fun!

Life Fit

This month we are going to focus on staying fit during the cold winter months. Many youth come into the facility with a ton of energy, however they do not want to go outside due to the cold. We will work on games and training sessions to stimulate the mind and the body.



Cooking Club

Every Wednesday at 4:00pm, the Cooking Club meets to make delicious culinary delights! Youth will learn all the techniques and tricks needed to make a meal from start to finish. The meals the youth make are served at the 5:30 snack for the rest of the youth to enjoy. We hope to see you there!



Tech Club

Tech Club teaches youth essential digital literacy skills through fun, interactive lessons. Youth are encouraged to apply their tech skills and create original digital media such as web sites, music, movies and photography as part of the Digital Arts Festivals which are held annually.



Girls Club

Girls in Real Life Situations (G.I.R.L.S.) During the next few months we will be talking about friendship, relationships and what happens when things go wrong. The girls will learn how to be the best friend they can be for those around them and how to deal with conflict when it arises. We will continue to discuss healthy eating and the consequences of missing meals. We will be having a lot of great conversations during the winter months and we don't want your daughters to miss out on any of it! We meet every Tuesday at 4:00!



Passport to Manhood

Passport to Manhood concentrates on specific aspects of a young man's character and manhood through highly interactive activities. This club covers many things such as, hygiene, dating, morals and ethics, how to tie a tie, etc. During the winter months, we will start to have guest speakers. Some of the speakers will be the military police, the CYS Health Nurse, the Director of Sports & Fitness, and other guest speakers. We welcome all middle school young men!

Torch Club



Torch Clubs are chartered, small-group leadership and service clubs for boys and girls ages 11 to 13. Meetings are held twice a month on Thursdays. All youth who are eligible for the youth center are

welcome to join and it comes at no cost to the participants. In November we will be holding a popcorn party which will consist of the youth making popcorn together and enjoying it during a open discussion on whatever the youth feel are issues we should address as a club.

Keystone Club

The Keystone Club is for any interested high school students. The Clubs focus is on community service and academic achievement. The goal of the program is to develop character in youth through these initiatives.



Movie Night

We serve free, hot, delicious pizza on the first Friday of the month and popcorn for the rest of the month. Our movies start at 5:00 pm each Friday. Check out our Friday Night movie here in your favorite Patch Youth Center, and don't forget your permission slip, needed for youths under age 13 for this month's PG-13 movies. Come and join us every Friday night at



5pm at the Patch Hub for movie night. We have a blast!!!!

If you have any movies you want to watch with us, please let us know.

Cinema as Art

Have you ever wondered what is going on with some of the movies you have seen? Did you ever think that a movie, short film, and/or a documentary was strange, different, great, normal, boring, or something else that made you go hmm? Well let's get together and analyze some movies! We will hold discussions about the underlying meaning (s) of what we of these movies.



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The Patch Youth Center is designed specifically for middle and high school youth and teens to ensure that the physical, cognitive, social and emotional needs of youth are addressed, and predictable services provided. Youth Centers offer services in the following areas: sports, fitness & health options; life skills, citizenship & leadership opportunities; arts, recreation & leisure activities; academic support, mentoring, and intervention services.

Why is there not a 5:30 snack on Friday? We are hungry!!!

You asked so we said hmmm!!! Snack on Fridays is now at 3, 5:30 and 7:30!!!!

Liam Wallace (cont.)

This year's Youth of the Year for USAG Stuttgart is Liam Wallace. Liam is a Senior at Patch High School and is a member of the National Honor Society. He has been attending The HUB for the past two years and has participated in many of the programs here.

At school, Liam is involved in a variety of school clubs including Math Honor Society, Cross Country Team, and German Honor Society.

Liam has been selected as USAG Stuttgart's Youth of the Year and is under consideration for Youth of the Year at the Regional level. The youth selected to represent the Armed Forces for the Regional Youth of the Year will have to opportunity to meet the President of the United States and to possibility to received college scholarships.

Congratulations Liam!



European Region Digital Arts Festival - Music Division Winner

Adrianna Orr is the Europe Region winner of the Digital Arts Festival music division. She wrote, composed, and recorded her own music at the Youth Center. For her efforts she will receive a prize from the Boys and Girls Club of America and her music will be on their website. She will now compete against the Pacific and CONUS region winners for the grand prize. Awesome job Adrianna!!!

Congratulations Adrianna!!!

Hours of Operation

Monday—Thursday 1430-2000,
with Snack being from 1500-1600
and 1730 -1800

Friday 1430-2200, with snack
time being from 1500-1600 ,
1730-1800 and 1930-2000.

Saturday 1200-1800, with snack
time being from 1500-1530.

Dances 1900-2200,

Lock Ins 2200-800,

March Madness 1700-1100

March Madness 1800-1100, March
30th.

