

Emergency taxi service available to Soldiers

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Keeping alcohol-impaired drivers off the road is one of the key factors in reducing the potential for motor vehicle accidents. Here in Bavaria, Soldiers may be tempted to over-indulge in local beer drinking festivals and in late-night disco nightclubs far from home.

U.S. Army Garrison Hohenfels has met this challenge head on by arranging with a local taxi service to provide emergency transportation home to any unfortunate Soldier who has become incapacitated for any reason, and flat broke from spending all of his cash.

If any Soldier needs an emergency taxi ride to their home or to a hospital, all he has to do is call the garrison's Installation Operations Center at CIV 09472-83-2819.

The IOC officer will identify the Soldier's name, unit, and exact location, with a telephone number where the Soldier can be found by the taxi provider. The taxi driver will obtain payment from the IOC Taxi Cash Fund, funded by generous donations by Hohenfels residents.

When a Soldier uses this emergency taxi service, he is expected to repay the amount with Euros to the IOC Office at Bldg. 309. If the Soldier

has not repaid this loan by payday, his chain of command will be advised.

Please encourage Soldiers to use this service and give consideration to supporting this new program with a cash donation (in Euros) to the IOC.

In a related opportunity, there is new train from Nuremberg that leaves at 3:23 a.m. Friday mornings, arriving at Parsberg at 5:06 a.m. Fridays. This allows our Soldiers plenty of time to return to duty on Fridays.

All Soldiers going to the Thursday night "ladies' night" at the disco next to Nuremberg Hauptbahnhof, are encouraged to take the train from Parsberg, instead of driving to Nuremberg.

There is a special discounted Bayern Nacht Ticket (Bavaria-Night-Ticket) for up to five persons to ride together all evening for 21 Euros. The ticket can be purchased at any local train station, or online at <http://www.bahn.de> for only 19 Euros per group ticket.

Bayern-Ticket Nacht is a new program and is valid Monday to Thursday from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. the next day, Monday and Friday from 6 p.m. until 7 a.m.

No one should drive a car from the Parsberg Bahnhof if they have been drinking. Take advantage of the emergency taxi ride home service.

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