



SCSC NEWS

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Coming Together To Positively Impact Our Community

A MESSAGE FROM THE SCSC PRESIDENT

Willkommen to our new and returning members. The Stuttgart Community Spouses Club Board and members have been creating and working hard this summer to make this a fabulous year. We have wonderful programs planned, for example, our annual Welcome Event – “Your Home Away from Home.” We have also started our planning for our “Annual Thriftmas Market” and Outstanding Spring Bazaar. Our Committee Chairs are so excited to get started on the year that they are “biting at the chance” to get out there and get started. Our special interest groups are also getting ready, I know the “Playful Pups”, “Shopping Club”, “Daytrippers” and “Lunch Bunch” – just to name a few have some great ideas. For those who are just joining this year, we are a Spouse’s Club of all military ranks as well as open to all Civilian and DoD Employees. We are each other’s “home away from home” support.

Our club is twofold – We are here to support our American Community through our Community Enrichment and Welfare Program as well as our Scholarship program. Our second purpose is to take care of our Spouses of our Military members, Civilian and DoD Employees. We are a small community and want to be there for each other.

This year is going to be Outstanding but in order to make it that way, we need you to be a part of the Stuttgart Community Spouse’s Club (SCSC). We want you to come to our events, volunteer with us and even have a place to experience new hobbies, sports, and most of all new friends! We want our Stuttgart Community to be a part of the Spouses Club. If you have any ideas or are looking for something to do, I know we have a place for you.

Lastly, I am excited to be the President of the SCSC and to have such an awesome board and advisors to work with. My philosophy is to work hard but have LOTS of fun! Please feel free to contact me or any board member or previous year member if you have any questions or concerns or especially if you are looking for some “Fun” things to do!

Tschüss,
Nan Lawless

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2016-17 SCSC CALENDAR

2016-17 Social Events

September 20 | October 18 | November 18 | December 13

January 24 | February 28* | April 18* | May 16

**Event at the Patch Community Club*

2016-17 Club Events

March 17-19 Stuttgart Spring Bazaar

SEPTEMBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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5	6 Governing Board Meeting 9:30	7	8	9
12	13	14 Book Club	15 Lunch Bunch	16
19	20 Welcome Event 5:30	21	22 GAWC Welcome Coffee	23
26	27	28	29	30

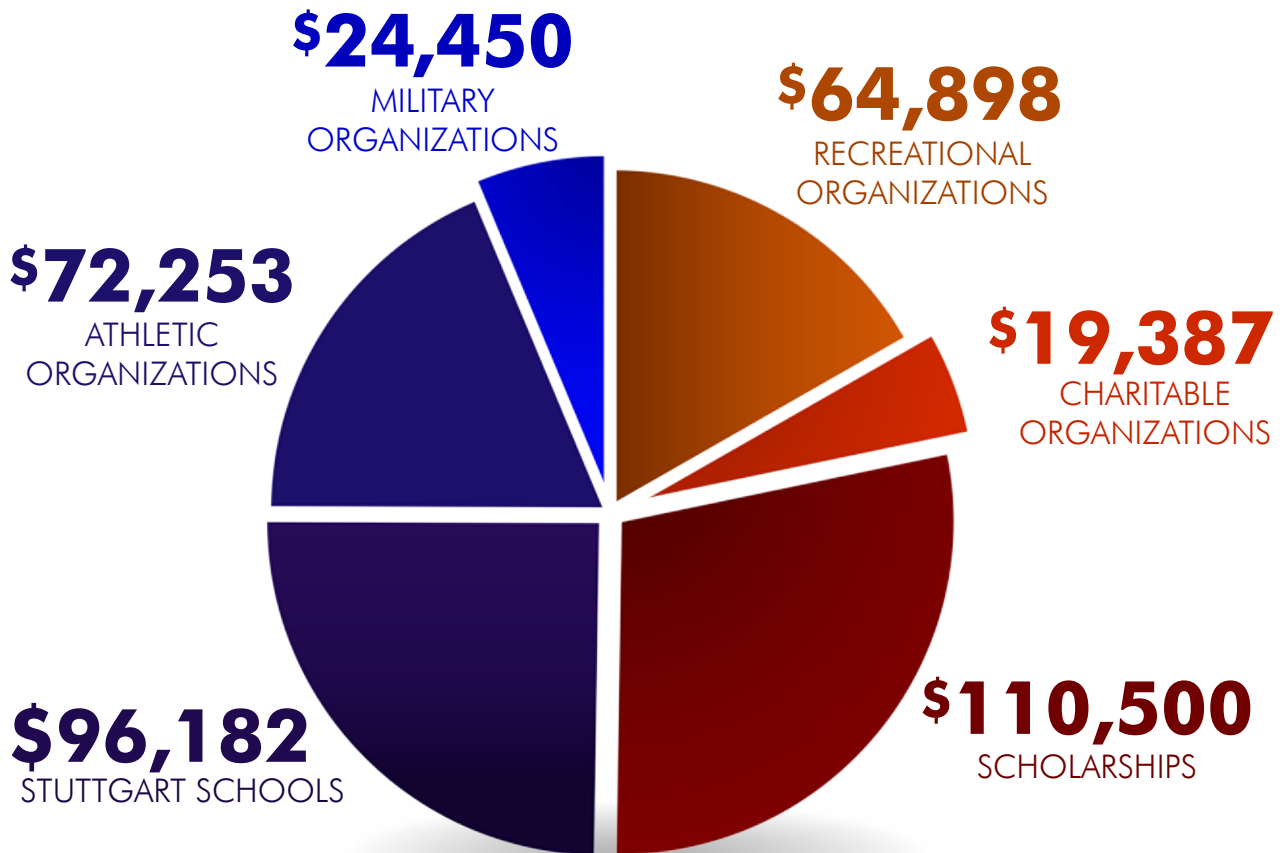
OCTOBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4 Governing Board Meeting 9:30	5	6	7
10	11	12 Book Club	13 Lunch Bunch	14
17 Mah Jongg	18 Bonfire Bunco 5:30	19	20 Trips & Tours	21
24	25	26	27	28
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY 2015/2016

\$387,670



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| <p>\$24,450
MILITARY ORGANIZATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marine Corps Air Force Ball Army Birthday Ball Navy Ball Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society | <p>\$64,898
RECREATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boy Scouts of America Girl Scouts of America German American Women's Club Sitzmarker's Ski and Board Club Black Forest Quilt Guild European PTA | <p>\$19,387
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AWAG USO Fisher House American Red Cross Boeblingen Tierheim | <p>\$110,500
SCHOLARSHIPS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School Seniors Continuing Education Students Spouses | <p>\$96,182
STUTTART SCHOOLS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SHS Clubs Parent Teacher Association Patch Elementary and Middle School Robinson Elementary School Stuttgart Elementary School | <p>\$72,253
ATHLETIC ORGANIZATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> US Youth Soccer Stuttgart Select Stuttgart Military Eishockey Club Piranhas Swim Team Stuttgart Reds Softball Stuttgart Men's Lacrosse SHS Athletic Teams Team Bavarian Softball Stuttgart Youth Wrestling Stuttgart Eagles Basketball |
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MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to the kick off of the 2016-2017 year!

Every time we move, we leave behind friends, possibly a job and any connection to our community. How do we establish that connection in our new area? We encourage new and returning members to join the Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club (SCSC)!

On **Tuesday, September 20, 2016**, please bring a friend and come out to our "Welcome to Your Home Away From Home" event at the Swabian Club located on Patch Barracks.

The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. Membership will be on hand to answer any questions, take new membership applications and just welcome you to our awesome organization!

Can't make the event, then encourage your new friend(s) to sign up online at www.stuttgartspousesclub.org/membershipbylaws.html. It only takes a few minutes and best of all, you can check off that bucket list item – joined the SCSC!

Looking forward to a great year!

Benefits of Membership

- ▶ Socialize during our monthly functions, special events, and travel functions
- ▶ Contribute your talents to the Patch Thrift Shop, Great American Bake Sale, or Spring Bazaar
- ▶ Receive a 30% discount on all regularly priced (non-discount) item purchases at the Patch Thrift Shop.
- ▶ Partake in leadership opportunities by suggesting and/or planning events you are interested in
- ▶ Share camaraderie, common interests, and fun with a diverse group of Stuttgart community members
- ▶ Positively impact our community through club contributions to youth and adult sports, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Music Boosters, PTSAs, military balls, USO, Fisher House, SCSC Scholarships, and many other programs

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

01

Lois Lisko
Elisa Vertuli

02

Vicki Danoy
Mary Shaw

04

Kelly Coglianese

06

Trina Rockwell

10

Trish Duncan
Cindy Scaparrotti

12

Cecilia Moran

15

Rachel Bretthorst

17

Ronald Jones
Allison Schwartz
Pamela Sons

19

Jill Lindstrom

25

Cheri Fish

29

Lisa Keenan
Jennifer Oswalt

Tanisha McInerney

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

03

Erin Moen

06

Patricia Obermeyer

08

Lauren Jelle

09

Joanna DeMott

15

Judi Collier

17

Patricia Mobley

20

Nora Whitlock

25

Christine Hogan
Marianna Keeth

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Beth Cooling
Didi Sebo

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Kathy Argo

SCSC is proud to celebrate our 2016 Scholarship Winners!



SCSC presented 55 scholarships to 30 high school, 16 continuing education, 3 “exceptional” high school, and 6 spouse recipients. Through funding from our SCSC Patch Thrift Shop and Spring Bazaar, we were able to award \$110,500 to some amazing students. Scholarship amounts ranged from \$1,000 to \$8,000, with the largest amount given to a worthy high school student.

Choosing these winners was not easy, and the competition was fierce. Our “blind” judges and scorers (each applicant was assigned a number) spent many hours analyzing applications. In a ceremony held May 22nd at the Stuttgart High School, SCSC Scholarship Chair Elizabeth Bone presented the students with the awards and U.S. Navy Rear Adm. John W. Smith, Chief of Staff of U.S. European Command, was the guest speaker.

The SCSC wishes the best of luck and success to all of our applicants!



BARRACKS CHEER

The Barracks Cheer Committee is starting its second year with a collection of detergent and dryer sheet donations to stock up the barracks laundry rooms. The committee was formed after the garrison expressed a need to support our single and unaccompanied military personnel residing on garrison. We are ramping up this year with even more events along with monthly give-aways.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

SEPTEMBER
9-18
GOT SOAP?
Laundry detergent and dryer sheet collection / distribution at all base commissaries

NOVEMBER
1-6
WE WANT YOUR CANDY
Collection of excess Halloween candy for later distribution

DECEMBER
2
KASERNE COOKIE KAPER
Collect homemade baked goods from our community. The baked goods, combined with hand-made cards from garrison children will be distributed the following day.

FEBRUARY
11
OPERATION SPREAD THE LOVE
Distribute Valentine's Day goodie bags filled with donated candy

MAY
ADOPT-A-BARRACKS
Community organizations who have volunteered to adopt-a-barracks will be given a specific barracks and will provide goodies and decoration to show their appreciation for our military.

If you are interested in getting involved or know of another community organization that would like to team up to help show their support, contact us at: **0151.5947.5092**, **scsc.barracks@gmail.com** or **www.Facebook.com/BarracksCheer**.

Hospitality is expanding in 2016 with the creation of our new Care Committee. Our membership works diligently throughout the year to support the people and organizations of the Stuttgart community, but we are often unaware when fellow members need assistance. This fall we would like to offer new ways to network within our organization. As spouses, we have grown accustomed to deployments and TDY trips, and take pride in the fact that we can manage quite well with only a moment's notice. However, even at our best "life happens" and we all need a little support from time to time.

The SCSC has recently joined mealtrain.com, and will soon begin taking requests. If you are not familiar with meal train it is very similar to Volunteer Spot. Here's how it works. If an emergency comes up, hospitalization, an accident, etc. and life would be a little easier with support from friends then let us know. Simply turn in a request to scsc.hospitality@gmail.com for yourself or friend (SCSC members only). We will confirm the request with the family, and once they have approved we will send a general notification out to our membership body. We let them know that a family within our organization would like a meal, and give them the opportunity to sign up to provide the requested meal.

We understand that privacy may be a priority, and can act as a middle man for delivery if requested. The member can let us know if they need meals for just a day or for an extended period of time. Special requests will be taken such as allergies, dietary needs, family favorites, and delivery information. We want our families to feel comfortable contacting us, but please only make requests when needed since one SCSC family will be providing for another SCSC family.

We have also set a small budget aside for very special requests. If a member in our organization has given birth, or has suffered from an extenuating circumstance please feel free to send a message to scsc.hospitality@gmail.com so that we can send flowers, a card, or appropriate notion from our membership. If the information is sensitive rest assured it will remain confidential.

These new programs will operate internally are offered exclusively to our membership. If you do not wish to participate please let us know that you would like to opt out.

We are excited to welcome back our returning spouses and give a warm reception to new friends. We look forward to seeing you soon!

TRIPS & TOURS

TRIPS & TOURS FIRST TRIP

OCTOBER

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Rhine River Cruise with Lunch along the castle route followed by a wine tasting in Rudesheim.

More details to follow, sign ups will take place at the **welcome event** and will also be available online after the welcome event. Sign ups will close on **October 8**.

SCSC WAYS & MEANS



The Ways and Means Committee has been busy shopping around Europe for wonderful raffle prizes and items to buy at the Ways and Means table. We have a new selection of Polish pottery, French antiques, various types of glass and crystal, Russian treasures, gift baskets and much much more. There is something for every style and every budget. Don't forget to bring cash or your checkbook. We look forward to seeing you soon!

SCSC LUNCHEONS & PROGRAMS

*The Stuttgart Community Spouses' Club
invites you to join us at*










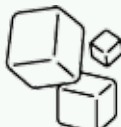




*The Swabian Club
Tuesday, September 20th
at 5:30 p.m.*

*for a fun evening of food & friends.
Sign up for special interest groups and
get to know your fellow spouses with our
meet and greet activities.*



*For more information, visit our website at
stuttgartspousesclub.org*

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (SIG)

							
9 & DINE - GOLF CLUB	BOOK CLUB	BRAVO!	CRAFTING DIVAS	DAY TRIPPING DIVAS	FIT & FABULOUS	GOURMET/ COOKING CLUB	HIKING CLUB
							
KEEP CALM & SHOP ON	LUNCH BUNCH	MAH JONGG	OTHER INTERESTS	PLAYFUL PUPS	TENNIS CLUB	WINE TASTING CLUB	YARNED FORCES

What SCSC Special Interest Group (SIG) are you interested in joining? Pick as many as you like! Visit the SCSC website to view a sampling of past SIG events.

Please note all activities and clubs offered are dependent on interest and someone to coordinate each group. Fortunately, we have three groups with coordinators already planning events for the year, but are still looking for more.


Are you interested in coordinating a SIG? Do you have a personal interest that you enjoy doing or a professional skill and would consider sharing? As coordinator, you have the benefit of deciding when and how often to meet. Now that's a perk!

Contact **Kathy Argo, SCSC SIG Chair**, scsc.specialinterest@gmail.com for more information on joining SIG's or coordinating!

SCSC Special Interest Groups are only open to current SCSC members. Please make sure that your membership is active in order to participate with these fun groups. You may join SCSC online by visiting the Membership Page.

SAVE THE DATE

and kindly thank the Coordinator for energetically planning



BOOK CLUB

COORDINATOR
Trish Duncan

Discussing interesting reads throughout the year. Please sign up to receive your monthly Evite.

SEPT 14	FEB 8
OCT 12	MAR 8
NOV 9	APR 12
DEC 14	MAY 10
JAN 11	



LUNCH BUNCH

COORDINATOR
Trish Duncan

Join us to experience new restaurants together! Please sign up to receive your monthly Evite.

SEPT 15	FEB 16
OCT 13	MAR 9
NOV 17	APR 13
DEC 15	MAY 18
JAN 19	



MAH JONGG

COORDINATOR
Jacquie Waskiewicz

Enjoy exercising your brain and have fun at the same time! Come play Mah Jongg with us! We play, and follow up with lunch. Beginners welcome!

OCT 17	FEB 13
NOV 21	MAR 13
DEC 12	APR 10
JAN 9	MAY 8

GOT SOAP???

Laundry Day is bad enough lets make it a little better for our *Single and Unaccompanied Service Members!*

Barracks Cheer is collecting Laundry Detergent & Dryer Sheets to stock Service Member's Laundry Facilities.

Help us spread some cheer..... One bottle or Box at a time!

(sesc.barracks@gmail.com, +49 151 59475092)

COLLECTION DATES: Sept. 9th - 18th

DROP OFF LOCATIONS

PATCH Commissary

KELLEY Commissary

PANZER Commissary

ROBINSON Commissary



Schwaben Area Seminar

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Patch Community Center

8:00am - 2:00pm

Registration from October 1 - 15, 2016

www.awagleadership.org

\$20 includes informative & dynamic classes and lunch

Dress code is business attire.

For more information, please contact Rebecca Baczewski at schwaben@awagleadership.org.

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