

Volksfest begins October 14

A four day, fun-filled Volksfest dedicated to the men and women who participated in REFORGER begins on October 14 and runs through Sunday night October 17.

The idea was conceived by SFC Frank Kidd of the Hoechst Sub-Community Office several months ago. Kidd, who retires next month and is on terminal leave said, "REFORGER training has never been easy, these soldiers have worked hard and deserve a reward." Kidd even volunteered to make the arrangements while on leave, a co-worker said.

Carnival rides and entertainment will spotlight each day's activities and officials say there will be a beer tent as well.

The fest begins Thursday at 4 p.m. until midnight, Friday from 3 p.m. to midnight, Saturday noon until midnight and noon until 8 p.m. on Sunday.

The Volksfest theme is "Welcome home from Reforger and thanks for a job well done."

Expensive phone call

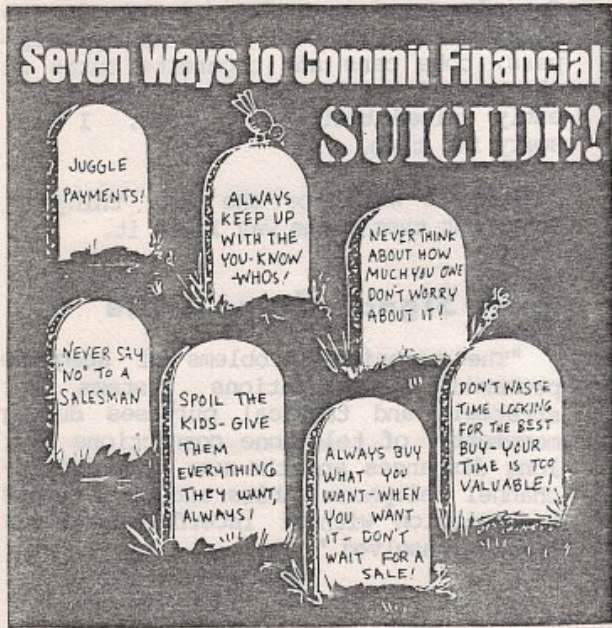
17th Sig soldier fined \$1,100-bomb call

A 17th Signal Soldier, who recently phoned a bomb threat to the Abrams Building in downtown Frankfurt, was found guilty by a military courts martial board in late August.

Military authorities declined to discuss how Hettrick was caught making the phone call but disclosed that every effort is made to insure individuals who call in bomb threats are apprehended.

In addition to making the bomb threat PFC David J. Hettrick, C Co. 17th, was also convicted of disrespect to an NCO in the August 23 trial.

Hettrick was reduced to Pvt.1, received extra duties for the three months and fined over \$1,100.



17th Family Night is Oct 7

By Daniel Gerstein

The 17th Signal Battalion dining facility will host a family night on October 7. All soldiers from the 17th and their families are invited to the feast.

The gourmet meal will feature baked trout, roast chicken and steaks grilled to order.

Entertainment for the evening will be provided by Lt.Col. Robert Reich, CSM Elridge James and the company commanders as they will be donning cook's whites and serving the meal. "This is definitely an event that you will not want to miss", a battalion official said. (1st.Lt. Gerstein is the 17th Signal Battalion Adjutant.)