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Above: Camp Darby celebrated the Army's birthday with a luncheon at the dining facility June 14. (From left) Maj. Stephen Zgliniki, Area Support Team-Livorno commander, together with the youngest AST-Livorno Soldier, 19-year-old Pvt. Shaade Pierce, 372d Maintenance Company, U.S. Army National Guard, cut the Army birthday cake, while Master Sgt. Nathaniel Richardson, AST-Livorno command sergeant major, and Capt. Manny Anon, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate watch. (Photo by Chiara Mattiolo, Camp Darby Public Affairs). At right, Staff Sgt. Carlos Garcia, SETAF G3 section, places a battle streamer on the Army flag during the Army Birthday celebration held in the Ederle Theater June 14. The event was attended by about 300 community members who were treated to cake and soft drinks afterwards. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook staff)

## Celebrating 230 years of service to our nation



## Memorial service held for teacher

The Outlook  
Press Release

The post chapel was filled to capacity June 15, as Vicenza schoolteachers, students, staff, and members attended a memorial service for Darcy Anderson.

An educator for 24 years, Anderson was a math teacher, guidance counselor and sponsor of the National Junior Honor Society at Vicenza High School at the time of her death. She was 54.

Anderson died as the result of an accidental fall June 7. She was treated at San Bortolo Hospital in Vicenza, but did not recover from head and back injuries.

Anderson's popularity as a teacher was evident in the tributes paid to her by students in the memorial program.

Jessica Buhler wrote, "May angels take your mother by the hand and lead her to the High Heavens above. Remember she is always with you through hard times and all."

Another student, Uriah Moas, wrote: "Hope is what will guide

you...Hope is what will get you through the day and especially the night...The hope that it would not be the last time you will set your eyes on her.

Anderson is survived by her son, Phillip Rinaldo of Kaiserslautern, Germany; her daughter, Sarah Anderson, of Vicenza; her sister Debbie Pedrick; and a brother, Bryan Hughes.



Bryan Hughes, brother of Darcy Anderson, speaks to the crowd gathered at the post chapel for the memorial service held for his sister June 15. Anderson died as the result of an accidental fall at her home. Anderson was an organ donor, ensuring that her legacy of giving to others continues. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook staff)

## Emergency procedures for calling an ambulance from off post

Office of the Provost Marshal  
Press Release

Recent events within the 22nd Area Support Group community have identified problems community members have had in calling for ambulance service response to locations on and off post.

In ALL cases, the best way to summon ambulance support is to call the Caserma Ederle Military Police Desk.

The MP Desk Sergeant and on-duty interpreter will ensure the requested ambulance is dispatched to your location in the most expedient fashion.

### Off Post Procedures

In a recent incident, an individual was seriously injured at her off post residence. Friends at the scene of the accident were unfamiliar with the location of the residence and had trouble relaying the exact location to the emergency service (118) operators.

In the event you need an ambulance at a residence off post call the MP desk at 0444-71-7626 or toll-free at 800-064-077. The individual calling need only provide the name of the resident.

The MP desk sergeant will look the name up on the housing list provided by the 22nd ASG Housing Office, who will then dispatch the ambulance accordingly.

### On Post Procedures

If an ambulance is needed on post, call the MP Desk at 114 or 634-7626. In accordance with the 22nd ASG Provost Marshal Office standard operating procedures, the MP desk will ensure the ambulance is called, and then direct a MP patrol to the appropriate gate to provide an escort for the ambulance.

Recently, valuable time was misspent at the gate by MP personnel attempting to validate the request for an ambulance. Precious time was wasted by the MP because of the lack of prior notification from the MP desk sergeant.

A review of the incident revealed the individual called the (118) Italian operator directly and requested the ambulance without notifying the MP desk sergeant. Thirty seconds wasted at the gate is TOO long.

Please call the MP Desk SGT whenever an emergency occurs.

### Emergency Numbers:

- On Post: 114 (U.S. Military Police)
- Off Post Toll Free: 800-064-077 (Reaches Military Police)
- Italy-wide: 112 (Italian Police)
- 118 (Italian Medical)



## Wake up to the risks of drowsy driving

By James Adams

22nd Area Support Group Safety Officer

Getting behind the wheel when you're short on sleep is risky business. The worst-case scenario – falling asleep at the wheel – is surprisingly common. Drowsy drivers account for at least 100,000 accidents, 71,000 injuries and 1,500 deaths each year in the United States.

Some states have enacted a first-of-a-kind law stipulating that sleep-deprived drivers who cause fatal accidents can be charged with vehicular homicide.

Other states are considering an anti-drowsy driving measure and some states have prosecuted fatigued drivers under existing laws. The law in one state defines a fatigued driver as one who has gone without sleep for more than 24 hours.

You don't need to be sleep-deprived to have trouble staying awake. People who get six to seven hours of sleep a night are nearly twice as likely to have a fatigue-related accident as those who sleep eight hours a night, according to studies conducted by the University of North Carolina. Like alcohol, fatigue slows reaction time and impairs judgment and vision. Being awake for 24 hours straight almost has the effect of being legally drunk. Getting enough sleep, at least eight hours a night, is the best way to avoid drowsy driving.

Other factors that can make you drowsy include:

**Circadian rhythms.** Your body's urge to

sleep is strongest from about midnight to 6 a.m. and in the mid-afternoon.

**Driving conditions.** Late-night driving, long trips, and monotonous roads can make you tired, especially if you're alone.

**Alcohol.** Even drinking small amounts of alcohol can exacerbate the effects of fatigue.

**Medications.** Anti-anxiety medications, narcotics, and some antihistamines can make you drowsy. Also be aware of drugs that can disrupt sleep, leaving you tired the next day. Read the labels and also ask your doctor or

pharmacist whether any of your medications can cause drowsiness or sleep disruption.

**Medical disorders.** If you're often sleepy or fatigued for no obvious reason, see your doctor to find out if there is an underlying problem, such as sleep apnea.

**Bottom line.** If you find yourself fighting fatigue when driving, the two best actions are to stop and spend the night, or have someone else take over the driving.

If you're alone and must continue, then pull off at the next safe area, drink two cups of coffee; take a 15-20 minute nap (time necessary for the caffeine to enter your bloodstream). Take a short brisk walk or exercise to get the blood flowing before you get back on the road.

Two local Soldiers were killed and one critically injured in a fatigue-related accident two years ago.

It is better to arrive late than not to arrive at all.

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*—Study by University of North Carolina*

## Planned for God's pleasure

*For the next 33 weeks, the 22nd Area Support Group Chaplain's Family Life Office, in partnership with deployed SETAF and 173d Airborne Brigade chaplains, will write a series of devotional articles based on the best-selling book, "A Purpose Driven Life," by Pastor Rick Warren.*

*The intent of these articles is to offer deployed soldiers and their family members a devotional meditation which you can use for weekly discussion and to hopefully deepen your spiritual connection during the separation.*

By Chaplain (Maj.) James Sheil  
Vicenza Community Catholic Pastor

With all the unpleasant things going on around us, it might be hard to grasp that we truly are planned for God's pleasure.

It's not that God is out there waiting for us to mess up so he can punish us. That is not God's pleasure.

In the third century Ireneus said, "The glory of God is a person fully alive."

God creates us to share with him in the ongoing creation of the universe. God's pleasure is not a script, but a relationship that we work out with God as we look at our values and make our choices.

When we know that we are giving our best to whatever we are doing, we find a certain satisfaction.

God's pleasure is for us to reach our full human potential. If we think we are all by ourselves as we face the

challenges of life, it will be hard for us to reach this potential.

When we have a sense of being joined to the source of all that is, crippling fear goes away, and we begin to experience an ever-deepening sense of purpose.

In a sense, being Soldiers gives us an advantage in living God's pleasure and being fully alive.

What we do best is help those who cannot help themselves, often without counting the cost.

We are ready to love someone so much, even if we do not know them personally, that we will give our life for them.

Sound familiar? We make personal sacrifices often unknown and unappreciated by those we would help or defend.

Sound familiar? We will be judged and misunderstood by people who have no idea of what we are doing or why we are doing it.

Sound familiar? Our sense of connectedness gives us the courage to continue.

Perhaps it is through these experiences, which eventually come to each of us, that we begin to sense the goodness that is in everything and out of which we are continually being created.

It seems we are fully alive in the most difficult and dangerous situations, whether in war or the ordinary relationships of life.

We praise God by just being ourselves, by living and giving. God's pleasure is our fullness of life.

We are not accidents. We are where we are by choices we have made, and it is where we are that we find completion, and so live the pleasure of God.

## Community

### Action Council

This forum is to discuss issues that affect the community.

If you have an issue that you wish to submit, visit the 22nd Area Support Group Web site at [www.22asg.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.22asg.vicenza.army.mil) and click on the Community Action Council link.

This link provides you the opportunity to review issues that have been previously submitted and responded to by post agencies. There is also a form available for you to submit any new issue you would like addressed. If you have questions, call 634-5222 or 0444-71-5222 from off post. The command encourages you to identify yourself when submitting a CAC issue in order to be able to answer your concern directly.

Childcare is offered during the CAC at \$2.50 per hour, per child for children ages 6 weeks through kindergarten from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required. Children will be cared for in the Child Development Center, Building 395. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. Call 634-7219 or stop by their new location in Davis Family Readiness Center.

There is no CAC scheduled for June. The next CAC is July 27 at 9 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

**Issue:** *Recently I tried to purchase a \$1,600 bedroom suite by using the AAFES layaway program. I was told that since the only one available was the display model, I could not use the layaway program as the items could be damaged in storage by AAFES employees.*

*The next day, I waited for 20 minutes to see if four German steins could be placed on layaway while the AAFES personnel searched for a box.*

*Here is the problem, the Vicenza Post Exchange seldom has multiple, quality items at a time when it comes to furniture or household/gift items, and the warehouse is full of items that they do not have room to display.*

*Perhaps AAFES could have boxes available for numerous, different-sized items for layaway purposes, or order more items so one can remain boxed up. To not support the customer who wants to purchase an item because of employee worries of damage does not follow the motto "The customer is always right".*

**Response from AAFES:** We do indeed have a policy prohibiting display furniture items from being placed on layaway.

There are several reasons for this policy but the goal is to protect the merchandise and prevent disappointing our customers.

Unfortunately, we do not have a safe way of transporting assembled furniture that has been removed from its original freight packaging to our bulk warehouse – therefore we run the risk of damaging the product and disappointing the customer.

Also, because of limited storage space and physical limitations in our bulk storage warehouse we are unable to accommodate layaways of display merchandise. We have posted signs in the furniture department communicating this policy to avoid further frustrations.

AAFES apologizes for any inconvenience that this policy has caused you and appreciate the opportunity to explain it to the community.

It is AAFES policy to have small boxes in customer service to package layaway items. This has been corrected. AAFES apologizes for the delay you experienced.

**Issue:** *I understand that recently some personnel assigned to SETAF (who reside in off post housing) have received notice that they are eligible to pick up an AFN*

*decoder from the Housing office.*

*This is a significant step forward since valuable news and information is available over AFN from local news and events to critical Force Protection information. However, no timetable or schedule has been published for this endeavor and many people to include myself have not been contacted.*

*This issue is further compounded by the fact that those of us who are deploying, and don't have dependents remaining in Italy, may "miss the boat" on this opportunity.*

*Perhaps Housing could publish a time-line and enact a pre-deployment plan to issue the decoders – or set aside decoders for those who will not be able to receive them while deployed.*

**Response from Directorate of Public Works:** The Housing office hopes that the information below will help clarify any existing confusion on this topic.

Those individuals who received notice of an opportunity for the issue of a "government" provided AFN decoder and satellite dish were a select group of individually notified 178 private rental sponsors living in a finite area of west Vicenza that was scheduled to lose terrestrial (line of sight) television signal Jan. 1 2005.

After much debate on government funding of Direct-to-Home Satellite Program, the Office of the Secretary of Defense finally approved the use of OMA funds for this purpose in October 2004 and, at the "eleventh hour", USEUCOM was able to centrally fund this relatively small west Vicenza requirement as a top priority.

Although now all private rental sponsors are authorized a "government" provided AFN decoder, securing funding for USEUCOM's \$21 million initiative,

impacting all USAREUR communities, is expected to be a major problem for the immediate future.

Accordingly, we cannot develop an AFN decoder distribution plan for the balance of this initiative for remaining Vicenza private rental sponsors until funding and availability of decoders becomes a certainty for the Vicenza Military Community. At such time arrangements will be made to assure that deployed private rental sponsors will receive a decoder upon their return from downrange.

**Issue:** *On March 30 I called the clinic (634-7484) to make an appointment. After waiting 15 minutes on the line I hung up as I had to go back to work.*

*I then called March 31 and received a recording that the clinic was closed. Today is April 1 and I have called again, and get the message that the Clinic is closed!*

*I have always heard that the clinic would never be closed for two days in a row.*

**Response from U.S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza:** The Vicenza Health Clinic command apologizes to all of our beneficiaries for the excessive delay not responding to the appointment line and the closure of the clinic April 1 for a portion of the day.

On March 31 the clinic was closed during Sergeant's Time and preparation for the Benincaso Center dedication.

We were open March 31 afternoon from 1 p.m. - 8 p.m. On April 1 the clinic was open till 11 a.m. and closed the rest of the day for the dedication.

The health clinic was open all day April 2 with double staffing to accommodate the decreased service of April 1.

Despite the public advertising of the closure, we will increase efforts to advertise potential closures in the future to avoid any beneficiary inconvenience.

If other community members have beneficiary difficulties, please contact Patient Representative Jo Penhalegon at 634-7952



## Safety Countermeasure

# Prevention, recognition, treatment of heat-related injuries

By James Adams

22nd Area Support Group Safety Office  
Special to the Outlook

Summer in Italy is hot and humid! Recent Preliminary Loss Reports (PLRs) have reported several heat-related deaths that were associated with physical fitness training.

The increased potential for heat-related injuries began this May and continues until the end of September.

Heat-related injuries have occurred each year while conducting physical fitness training, recreational and work-related activities within the command.

However, Soldiers conducting high-intensity training during this period of elevated temperatures, and civilians who are not physical fit or who have potential medical problems are at the highest risk for a heat-related injury.

High-intensity training conducted by Soldiers during the hot weather season requires leader involvement and the use of risk management to mitigate the risk of heat-related injuries.

Prior physical conditioning training is key to ensuring Soldiers are successful in accomplishing high-intensity training without suffering a heat-related injury.

Commanders should require Soldiers participating in high-exertion events, such as Expert Infantry Badge and road march testing, to undergo mandatory preconditioning training as outlined in FM 21-18, Foot Marches.

The FM states that, with the proper 30-day preparatory training, Soldiers can march 12 miles in less than three hours loaded to about 60 pounds.

The FM also provides specific recommendations for aerobic conditioning, progressive load-bearing marches, a physical training program, and the mandatory elements of any physical fitness program necessary to achieve the required level of physical conditioning.

Commanders must also ensure soldiers receive the proper hydration, nutrition, and rest during any preconditioning training for high intensity events. It is poor prior planning if hydration, nutrition, and rest become considerations the day of, or just prior to, a high-intensity training event.

Hydration is extremely important prior to PT as the body loses water during the night, and if alcohol was consumed over night, then hydration is an even greater risk.

The accompanying Hot Weather Health Emergencies list provides guidance for

anyone who is outside during the hottest times of the day.

## Hot Weather Health Emergencies

(From the 22nd Area Support Group Health Promotions Office)

Even short periods of high temperatures can cause serious health problems. Two common problems are heat stroke and heat exhaustion.

### Heat Stroke

Heat stroke occurs when the body becomes unable to control its temperature: the body's temperature rises rapidly, the sweating mechanism fails, and the body is unable to cool down. Body temperature may rise to 106 degrees Fahrenheit or higher within 10-15 minutes. Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not given.

### Recognizing Heat Stroke

Warning signs of heat stroke vary but may include:

- ◆ an extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees Fahrenheit, orally)
- ◆ red, hot, and dry skin (no sweating)
- ◆ rapid, strong pulse
- ◆ throbbing headache
- ◆ dizziness
- ◆ nausea
- ◆ confusion
- ◆ unconsciousness

### What to Do

If you see any of these signs, you may be dealing with a life-threatening emergency.

Have someone call for immediate medical assistance while you begin cooling the victim:

- ◆ Get the victim to a shady area.
- ◆ Cool the victim rapidly using whatever methods you can. For example, immerse the victim in a tub of cool water; place in a cool shower; spray with cool water from a garden hose; sponge with cool water; or if the humidity is low, wrap the victim in a cool, wet sheet and fan him or her vigorously.
- ◆ Monitor body temperature and continue cooling efforts until the body temperature drops to 101-102 degrees Fahrenheit.
- ◆ If emergency medical personnel are delayed, call the hospital emergency room for further instructions.
- ◆ Do not give the victim alcohol to drink.
- ◆ Get medical assistance as soon as possible.

Sometimes a victim's muscles will begin to twitch uncontrollably as a result of heat stroke. If this happens, keep the victim from injuring himself, but do not place any object in the mouth and do not give fluids. If there is vomiting, make sure the airway remains open by turning the victim on his or her side.

### Heat Exhaustion

Heat exhaustion is the body's response to an excessive loss of the water and salt contained in sweat. Those most prone to heat exhaustion are the elderly, people with high blood pressure, and people working or exercising in a hot environment.

### Recognizing Heat Exhaustion

Warning signs of heat exhaustion include:

- ◆ heavy sweating
- ◆ paleness

- ◆ muscle cramps
- ◆ tiredness
- ◆ weakness
- ◆ dizziness
- ◆ headache
- ◆ nausea or vomiting
- ◆ fainting

The skin may be cool and moist. The victim's pulse rate will be fast and weak, and breathing will be fast and shallow. If heat exhaustion is untreated it may progress to heat stroke.

Seek medical attention immediately if:

- ◆ symptoms are severe, or
- ◆ the victim has heart problems or high blood pressure.

Otherwise, help the victim to cool off, and seek medical attention if symptoms worsen or last longer than one hour.

### What to Do

Cooling measures that may be effective include:

- ◆ cool, non-alcoholic beverages, as directed by your physician
- ◆ rest
- ◆ cool shower, bath, or sponge bath
- ◆ an air-conditioned environment
- ◆ lightweight clothing

### Heat Cramps

Heat cramps usually affect people who sweat a lot during strenuous activity. This sweating depletes the body's salt and moisture. The low salt level in the muscles causes painful cramps. Heat cramps may also be a symptom of heat exhaustion.

### Recognizing Heat Cramps

Heat cramps are muscle pains or spasms — usually in the abdomen, arms, or legs — that may occur in association with strenuous activity. If you have heart problems or are on a low sodium diet, get medical attention for heat cramps.

### What to Do

If medical attention is not necessary, take these steps:

- ◆ Stop all activity, and sit quietly in a cool place.
- ◆ Drink clear juice or a sports beverage.
- ◆ Do not return to strenuous activity for a few hours after the cramps subside because further exertion may lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke.
- ◆ Seek medical attention for heat cramps if they do not subside in one hour.

(Editor's note: Information for this article came from the Centers for Disease Control. Check out their Web site for more heat-related articles at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).)

## Don't forget that pets suffer from heat, too

Most people don't realize that the temperature inside a vehicle can skyrocket after just a few minutes. Parking in the shade or leaving the windows cracked does little to alleviate this pressure cooker.

On hot and humid days, the temperature in a car parked in direct sunlight can rise more than 30 degrees per minute, and quickly become lethal.

**On an 85-degree day, for example, the temperature inside a car with the windows opened slightly can reach 102 degrees within 10 minutes.**

Pets, more so than humans, are susceptible to overheating. Panting and drinking water helps cool them, but if they only have overheated air to breathe, dogs can suffer brain and organ damage after just 15 minutes. Short-nosed breeds, like pugs and bulldogs, young pets, seniors or

pets with weight, respiratory, cardiovascular or other health problems are especially susceptible to heat injuries.

If you see an animal showing signs of heavy panting, glazed eyes, a rapid heartbeat, restlessness, excessive thirst, lethargy, fever, dizziness, lack of coordination, profuse salivation, vomiting, a deep red or purple tongue, or unconsciousness — they may be suffering from heatstroke.

Follow these tips, and it could save your pet's life: Move the animal into the shade or an air-conditioned area; apply ice packs or cold towels to its head, neck, and chest, or immerse it in cool (not cold) water; give the animal small amounts of cool water or lick ice cubes. Take the animal directly to a veterinarian.

(From the Humane Society of the United States Web site: [www.hsus.org](http://www.hsus.org).)

## Delegate authority for Self-Help items

By Nick White  
Housing Programs manager  
Special to the Outlook

Do you wish it was easier to get items from Self-Help, because you are busy with the kids, volunteering, work and family? Now it is!

The 22nd Area Support Group Housing Division has produced a Delegation of Authority form that allows sponsors to authorize responsible family members to check out items from Self-Help on the sponsor's behalf.

There are only a few restrictions. The designated family member must be 14 years of age or older, and the appointment will

remain in effect no later than the sponsor's current DEROS.

Upon request, the length of the appointment can be set for a shorter time period. Additionally, the delegation may be for any Self-Help item that the sponsor is authorized, or it may be restricted to specific items selected by the sponsor.

The sponsor maintains full liability for any items checked out under this authority, which is why sponsors who wish to delegate authority must actively appoint a responsible family member.

The forms are available at the Self-Help Center on Villaggio, which is also where they should be left upon completion.

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# Artist emerges from Soldier ranks

By Pfc. Jon Arguello  
CJTF-76 Public Affairs

KANDAHAR AIR FIELD, Afghanistan – Uncasing a unit's colors during a transfer of authority is a tradition almost as old as the Army itself. The ceremony symbolizes the literal handover of authority from one commander to another.

Putting up a sign or painting a landmark with the unit's crests or patch is also a tradition, a tradition representing the presence and control the unit has over the land.

Task Force Bayonet, based on Kandahar Air Field, was no exception. Soon after 173d Airborne Brigade took control of Regional Command South from 25th Infantry Division (Light) units, infantryman Spc. Adrian Cisneros, was chosen to paint the Brigade's and its subordinate units' crests on a slab of concrete in front of the task force headquarters.

The concrete slab, about six feet tall and more than four feet wide, evolved into a piece of art that catches the eye of all those who enter the headquarters building.

With a winged bayonet and the task force units' crests on one side and an American flag on another, the artist's canvas has displayed his uncommon talent.

"We didn't want to change what the other units had done," Sgt. Maj. Shawn Alvarado. "We just wanted to make it our own. Every unit comes here and leaves there mark there."

The landmark is more than just a marker to let visitors to the headquarters know who is in command.

"The marker represents how much pride we have in the unit," Alvarado said. "Pride is a big part of our unit. It demonstrates how much paratroopers have pride in everything they do."

The paratrooper who painted the marker chose to go to Italy so he would have the opportunity to attend art classes there. He hopes to see his art in a gallery one day.

"I've been drawing since I can remember," said Cisneros. "I've done everything from nail art to murals. I'd like to sell some of my work one day or see it in a gallery."

Although many are surprised by how well the landmark has turned out, Sgt. Maj. Alvarado isn't one of them.

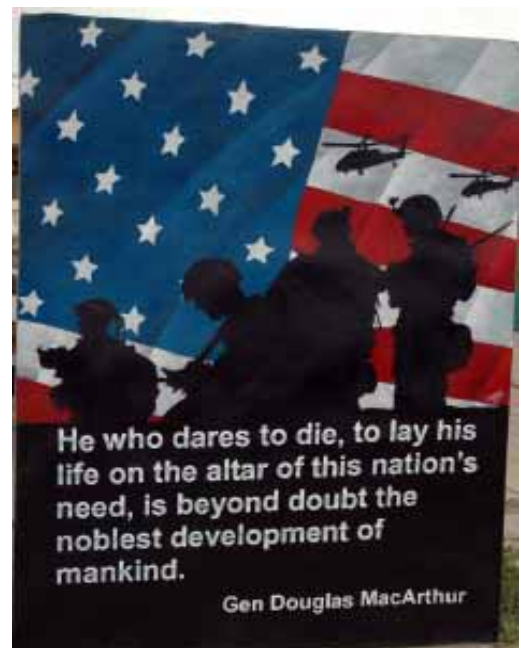
"I knew it would turn out beautiful from the time I saw [Cisneros's] concept," said Alvarado. "I can't believe he's not out there doing this professionally."

Cisneros, who has even painted artwork on cars, plans to work on his portrait skills when he returns to Italy. He even plans on staying in Europe once he reaches the end of his Army contract so he can refine his skills in one of Italy's art schools.

Incorporating his talent and pride in everything he does, Cisneros just may be another Army success story whose skills were discovered while serving his country.



Above, Spc. Adrian Cisneros paints the back of a concrete slab that will stand in front Task Force Bayonet's headquarters on Kandahar Air Field, Afghanistan. Below right: The finished product. Below left: The 173d Airborne Brigade's unit crest and is surrounded by the crests of its subordinate units.



From left: 22nd Area Support Group Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel Wilson, presents Sgt. Lawrence Born, Unit Ministry Team NCOIC, with a plaque for winning the 22nd ASG NCO of the Year. After winning the 22nd ASG NCO of the Year competition, Born went to Germany where he competed in the Installation Management Agency-Europe NCO of the Year, winning that competition, too. Born's next test is at Fort Pickett, Va., where he competes against other Soldiers to be the Installation Management Agency NCO of the Year. Born, who has a law degree, is a former labor relations specialist for the U.S. Postal Service. He joined the U.S. Army Reserve in 1995, and came on active duty in 2000. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook staff)

## Unit ministry NCOIC is top IMA-E Soldier

By Diana Bahr  
Outlook Editor

Sgt. Lawrence Born isn't sure if it was his singing that ensured him the top spot in the 22nd Area Support Group NCO of the Year competition in May, or all the time and effort he put forth studying for the board.

"One of the questions from the board was to recite the preamble to the Constitution," said Born. "I had learned it by watching School House Rock, so I asked Command Sergeant Major Wilson if I could sing it, and he said, sure."

Born praises the efforts of his senior enlisted mentors with helping him prepare for the 22nd Area Support Group board and the IMA-Europe board.

"It's tough for garrison Soldiers to go before a Soldier of the Year, or NCO of the Year board," said Born, the 22nd ASG Unit Ministry Team NCOIC. "We spend most of our time behind a desk, not in the field, so we have a slight disadvantage when it comes to some of the common tasks testing."

After winning the 22nd ASG NCO of the Year competition, Born went up to Germany to compete in the IMA-Europe level.

"The board here actually included more hands-on Soldier skills, said Born. "Staff Sergeants Sergio Rosales and Timothy Scott spent a lot of time quizzing me on the various subjects we knew I would be asked," he said. "We worked on military customs and courtesies, and the 9-line medevac report."

Born attended Indiana University School of Law, but decided not to take the bar exam. During my clerking internship, I found that there were aspects of law that went against my personal belief, he said. After working for the U.S. Postal Service as a labor relations specialist, Born decided to join the military, entering duty as an Army

Reservist 10 years ago.

"I joined for the student loan repayment program," he said. The married, father of two, said his decision to join the chaplain's corps was personal. "I want to take care of Soldiers. Soldiers have a hard enough time fighting the war on terror that they shouldn't have to worry about fighting for their religious or legal freedoms."

Born is now preparing to face his competition for the Installation Management Agency NCO of the Year at Fort Pickett, Va., in late July.



Sgt. Lawrence Born (left) poses for a photo with Installation Management Agency-Europe Command Sgt. Maj. Teresa King, after being chosen as IMA-Europe NCO of the Year. (Photo courtesy of IMA-E)



# Vicenza educator selected as Teacher of the Year

Story and photo  
 By Megan Gafford  
*Special to the Outlook*

The Caserma Ederle community can boast about many things on post. We have the first Department of Defense birthing center, the Ederle Inn is a first class operation, and now, we can boast about our elementary school.

First grade teacher Becky Barron of Vicenza Elementary School was selected as the Mediterranean District Teacher of the 2004-2005 school year.

"I became a teacher to prove to myself that teachers did not have to be like the ones that I had when I was in elementary school," said Barron.

"I also love children and I thought of teaching as a way to be involved in the lives of many children. It is a pleasure to see them come in like empty slates and fill them to the rim with knowledge. Teaching is a way for me to thank America for its gifts and to produce jewels for America's future treasure," said Barron.

Barron, who is certified to teach grade levels from kindergarten to eighth grade, has been teaching for 23 years, ten of which

have been for the Department of Defense Dependents Schools.

"I use a variety of techniques in my teaching style," Barron continued as she watched her class work on a project. "I use the standards to drive the curriculum presented to my students. Based upon those standards I use a variety of themes to carry out instructions.

"I use the project approach, which is hands-on based and our products are usually murals that cover our hallway and the classroom. I encourage my students to find their talents and to produce songs, paintings, sculpture, and any other medium to show that they have learned the information that has been taught," Barron added.

Her favorite part of the job is the American dream, or, as Barron states, "showing the young ones that they can do anything that they put their minds to. I like to see them bloom into their own characters with great personality and with pride in themselves."

And if you are wondering how Barron feels about the title, she is "thrilled".

"I cannot believe that I have been selected," she said. "It is truly the highest honor that I could have been awarded!"



Vicenza Elementary School first grade teacher, Becky Barron, reads to her students. Barron was selected as the Department of Defense Dependents Schools, Mediterranean District Teacher of the 2004-2005. Barron has been teaching for 23 years and been with DoDDs for 10 years. Her favorite part of teaching is to show youngsters that they can do anything they put their mind to, she said. "I want to see them bloom into their own characters with great personality and with pride in themselves," she said.

## 'Going to the field' gets new meaning

Soldiers would probably prefer to spend their time in the "field" if they could spend it the way Vicenza Elementary School 1-3 graders did June 14.

The children ran relay races with various batons on the track; another game involved teams of two wearing one big T-shirt where they had to run a circuit and pass the T-shirt off to two other two persons on their team.

Another game involved getting a cup of water from one bucket and passing the cup down the line of players and dumping it into a bucket at the end. The team with the most water in the bucket won.

And of course, there was the tug of war challenge (photo top right). In the photo at the near right, two children compete to see who can fill up the bucket with water using a sponge. In the photo at far right, the students form a line and pass a ball through their legs to see who can finish first. (Photos courtesy of Beth Manning.)



## Best of luck to the Class of 2005

At left, Kathleen Reiss, Vicenza High School principal, speaks to the graduating class of Vicenza High School, their parents and friends during the ceremony held June 13 in the Teatro Olimpico.

Congratulations to Michael Aitchison, Jonathon Alderman, William Alderman, Candice Askins, Jonathan Bass, Rachel Bryan, Carmen Catena, Courtney Cox, Bradley Curran, Tristan Davis, Daryl Gonzalez, Claire Hann, Sarah Huffman, Eric Lain, Gian-Marco Lamboglia, Sarah Malone, Andrew Mayville, Megan McLean, Nykole Norcross, Roberto Rojas, Alexis Savusa, Adam Smolonsky, Stephen Spickenreuther, Christopher Spry, Nicole Sternberg, Stephania Tavares, Martin Keating, Lauren Tomory, Gary King, and Cecil Wood. (Photo courtesy of George Hanby III, Vicenza High School)



# Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

## Palio at Camisano

The town of Camisano, province of Vicenza, which is also famous for its Sunday morning market, is holding a free medieval event Saturday. Starting at 6 p.m. the six 'teams' competing will meet on Via Vittorio Veneto.

From there, the participants (dressed in medieval costumes from the 13th century) will form a procession lead by drummers and flag throwers.

The procession will go through the main streets of the town and meet the 'grand court' in front of the townhall, from there they will go to the local soccer field, where they will compete in different competitions for the famed "paliotto." Entrance to all these events is free.

Inclement weather calls for the event to be held on the next day at the same time.

Residents in the town should be aware that certain roads in the center of the town will be closed to traffic from 5-7 p.m.

## Classical music and ballet events

**Saturday** on the grounds of Villa Fabris in Thiene, 'Franz Joseph Haydn and the Fire,' will be played by the *Orchestra Pro Music Salzburg*. The featured violinist is Frank Stadler, directed by Wilfried Tachezi.

**July 2** in Villa Poiana, located in Pojana Maggiore, the *Wiener Kammerorchester*, directed by Romolo Gessi will perform.

**July 9** sees the *Philharmonische Camerata Berlin* with soloists Misha Maisky on violoncello and Nazzareno Carusi on piano play in Villa Ca Dolfin, located in Rosa'.

**July 16** hear *Orchestra Sinfonica of Pesaro* playing Verdi's 'La Traviata' in three acts in the grounds of Villa Cordellina Lombardi in Montecchio Maggiore.

All performances start at 9 p.m. and tickets cost 12 Euro (plus a commission) and available from Societa' Cultura & Spettacolo, 22 Via Gorizia, or from F.T.V. 78 Viale Milano.

**Bassano and Marostica** are gearing up for 'Operaestate-05,' (summer opera season) which starts next month with the following performances:

**July 15:** Bassano – Martha Graham Dance Company.

**July 19 and 20** – Momix 25x25

**July 23** – Roberto Bollo in Gala he will be performing with five

other dancers from Paris, the National Ballet of Canada, the Birmingham Royal Ballet, Germany and Etoles Internazionale.

**July 27:** Marostica – In the main square, Piazza degli Scacchi, enjoy 'Giselle' performed by the 'Ballets Russes' directed by Vyacheslav Goordev. The main ballet dancer will be Teatro Bolshoy.

Tickets for these events and more may be found online at [www.operaestate.it](http://www.operaestate.it).

## Jazz in Marostica

Jazz concerts will be taking place in the town of Marostica, located about 15 km northeast of Vicenza, starting Friday.

**Friday:** The group 'The Dining Rooms,' with singer, Sean Martin, Cesare Malfatti on piano and guitar, Marcello Testa on double electric bass, and Leziero Rescigno on drums;

**Saturday:** 'Jazzinho,' will perform with John Crawford on piano, Dewi Young on drums, singer Guida de Palma, Marcello Andrade on flute, violin, and sax, Anselmo Neto on percussions;

**Monday** is the turn of 'Madre Tierra.'

**Tuesday** see 'Wallace Roney sextet,' with Aallace Roney on tromba, Ira Coleman on c.basso, Antoine Roney on sax, Adam Holzman on piano and Eric Allen on drums.

All performances take place in the main square, Piazza degli Scacchi, at 9:30 p.m.

Information or tickets are available from 0424-72707 or [info@panicjazzclub.com](mailto:info@panicjazzclub.com).

## Trieste and the giant cave

If you visit the port city of Trieste, located near the border of Slovenia, take a trip to the *Grotto Gigante* (Giant Cave) that is located 400 mt from the center of the village with the same name, Grotto Gigante is a fraction of the town of *Sgonico*, located 17 km from Trieste.

In fact, the environment with its stalactites and stalagmites are beautiful and the main cavern, 170 meters high, 280 meters long, and 65 meters wide, is so immense that it could contain St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

This cavern is listed in the Guinness Book of Records as the biggest tourist cavern in the world.

The cavern is open April-September, Tuesdays-Sundays from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Entrance fees are: 7.50 Euro for adults 7.50; children ages 6-12, and those with military ID cards, pay 5.50 Euro.

Near the entrance of the cave is a Museum of Speleology with geological, speleological and archaeological exhibits.

Turning back to Trieste, the main attractions to visit are the *Piazza dell'Unita'*, the heart of Trieste with its numerous cafes, restaurants, book and antique shops.

Close by is an ancient Roman amphitheater and the *Castello di San Giusto*, a fortress built in the 15th century by the Austrians.

The Revoltella Museum which was once the 19th century house of Baron Revoltella contains a gallery of modern art and a roof top terrace offering a sweeping view of the city.

Last but not least, is the Miramare Castle, which was constructed in the mid-1800s for Archduke Maximilian of Habsburg, and was his home until he left to become the Emperor of Mexico.

The castle is now a popular museum and visitors can visit several of Maximilian's rooms, all of which contain the original furniture commissioned by Maximilian.

## Reptile day

The 5th exhibition and market 'Reptiles Day' will be held in the exhibition grounds of Longarone, Saturday and Sunday.

There will be 71 exhibitors from 15 of Italy's regions and four exhibitors from the countries of Germany, Austria, Belgium and Holland.

On exhibit are reptiles, insects, tropical and carnivorous plants, such as the Venus Fly Catcher, and appropriate equipment and supplies for your pet.

The exhibit is open from 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m. each day. Entrance fee 6 Euro.

Directions from Vicenza 151 km: Autostrada A4 east to A27, exit at and follow directions for Longarone.

## Night of Fables

Grazzano Visconti, located 11 km from Piacenza (near Bologna) that will hold a medieval event Friday and Saturday at starting at 8 p.m.

Called Notti di Fiaba, *Night of Fables*, each night recreates the fabled feasts of days gone by.

Everyone is dressed in

# Now Showing

## Caserma Ederle Theater

<b>June 21</b>	Spongebob Squarepants Movie (PG)	3 p.m.
<b>June 22</b>	The Incredibles (PG)	3 p.m.
	Beauty Shop (PG13)	7 p.m.
<b>June 23</b>	Sin City (R)	7 p.m.
<b>June 24</b>	XXX: State of the Union (PG13)	7 p.m.
	Upside of Anger (R)	10 p.m.
<b>June 25</b>	Fever Pitch (PG13)	2 p.m.
	Upside of Anger (R)	7 p.m.
	XXX: State of the Union (PG13)	10 p.m.
<b>June 26</b>	XXX: State of the Union (PG13)	2 p.m.
	Fever Pitch (PG13)	7 p.m.
<b>June 27</b>	Treasure Planet (PG)	3 p.m.
<b>June 28</b>	Spiderman 2 (PG13)	3 p.m.

## Camp Darby Theater

<b>June 24</b>	A Lot like Love (PG13)	7 p.m.
<b>June 25</b>	Ice Princess (G)	7 p.m.

## Movie Synopsis

**SIN CITY** - *Bruce Willis, Mickey Rourke*. Sin City is a violent city where the police department is as corrupt as the streets are deadly. There's the street thug Marv whose desperate quest to find the killer of a prostitute named Goldie will lead him to the foulest edges of town. Inhabiting many of those areas is, a photographer in league with the sordid ladies of Sin City, headed by Gail who opens up a mess of trouble after tangling with a corrupt cop by the name of Jackie Boy. Finally, there's Hartigan, an ex-cop with a heart problem who's hell-bent on protecting a stripper named Nancy.

**XXX: STATE OF THE UNION** - *Ice Cube, Samuel L. Jackson*. NSA Agent Augustus Gibbons, fresh off the success of his last renegade recruitment, once again finds himself in need of an outsider. Gibbons and his new agent, also code-named "XXX," must track a dangerous military splinter group led by Willem Dafoe that is conspiring to overthrow the U.S. Government in the nation's capital.

**THE UPSIDE OF ANGER** - *Joan Allen, Kevin Costner*. Terry is left to raise her four headstrong daughters when her husband unexpectedly disappears. Things get even more hectic when she falls for her neighbor Denny, a once-great baseball star turned radio D.J. This leaves her daughters out on a limb, they are forced to juggle their mom's romantic dilemmas as well as their own.

**FEVER PITCH** - *Drew Barrymore, Jimmy Fallon*. When Lindsey, a big time executive, meets funny and charming high school teacher, Ben, they hit it off until Lindsey realizes Ben is a Red Sox fan. She herself must realize it's the Red Sox or Ben before she breaks it off and can accept his obsession with the Red Sox.

Admission: Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$2.

The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.

Tickets to blockbuster shows are presold at Baskin Robbins.

authentic medieval costume and take their roles in an atmosphere that will make you swear you have been transported backwards in time.

Take a stroll amongst wandering minstrels, court jesters, knights in full armor, damsels and serving wenches.

Entrance to the village is free but participation in the evening banquet is by reservation only. Fridays banquet costs 40 Euro, Saturday's banquet costs 60 Euro. Reservations can be made by calling 0523-870-997.

If you don't fancy the banquet,

there is also a first-come, first-served meal available at a medieval "tavern." The menu includes bean and sausage soup, fried potato dumplings with salami, different types of sandwiches, cake, and beverages.

Payment is in *Biscioni*, which you can purchase with Euro at the tavern cash cage.

A Web page (in Italian only) is [www.grazzano.it](http://www.grazzano.it).

Directions: From Vicenza (120 miles) take autostrada A4 west, to the A21 exit at Piacenza est, the town of Grazzano Visconti is located 11 km from Piacenza.

# Summer Shout Out tour comes to Vicenza June 23 through Aug. 9

Directorate of MWR  
Press Release

Over the next nine weeks, the Vicenza community will take part in the MWR Summer Shout Out happening across Europe.

The Shout Out features appearances by celebrities where the community has the opportunity for autographs and clinics.

Please note that dates and times are subject to change, so call the MWR Marketing office at 634-7343, or check the DMWR Web

site at: [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for updates.

First on the line up are Darryl Dawkins, Dale Ellis and Thurl Bailey in the "Classics of **Hardwood**."

The NBA stars visit Vicenza Thursday and conduct a clinic for children from 9-11 a.m. in the Fitness Center.

The athletes will be available for autographs in the food court from 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Then watch the action as they take on Soldiers during a 3-on-3

basketball game from 2-4 p.m. in the Fitness Center.

**Superman** flies into Vicenza June 28, where he will read to children in the Post Library from 9-10 a.m. He will visit the Child Development Center from 10-11 a.m., and be available for autographs in the food court from 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

He'll finish up the day with another reading session at the library from 3-4 p.m.

The **Hardcourt Dream Tour** features Harlem Globetrotter

Curly Neal and WNBA star Rushia Brown July 5.

Meet these stars at the food court from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and if you like to play basketball you'll want to attend the clinics at the Youth Services pavilion. Times to be announced.

**Shana Banana**, featured on Disney Radio and coming soon to the Disney Channel, is the ultimate kids show with fun as the key ingredient.

The music is hip with silliness and learning rolled into one. Don't

miss her appearance July 8.

**Baseball** clinics with Ken Griffey Sr., and Kelly Gruber take place July 11. Times and places to be announced.

**Team Rootberry** (Jonathan Root and Bill Berry) are a juggling team with an "X factor." Watch them juggle flaming chain saws, flying pigs, and more!

Catch their performance July 26. For additional information call Allen Ebert, Entertainment Director, at 634-7281.



# First baby born at Benincaso Mother and Infant Pavilion shares Army birthday

Story and photos by  
Sgt. Maj. Larry Lane  
SETAF Public Affairs

While the Army's 230th birthday was celebrated yesterday, the birth of Emily Allen was too. She became one of the newest members of the Caserma Ederle community and the first child born at the installation's new birthing center, the Dr. Frank V. Benincaso Mother and Infant Pavilion.

Entering the world at 8 pounds, Emily was born to two Soldiers, Staff Sgt. Wilma Allen and Sgt Michael Allen, both Soldiers are assigned to 3rd Platoon, 68th Transportation, 14th Transportation Battalion.

"This was a very good experience for us," Sgt. Michael Allen said of the new facility and the staff's treatment of the couple. "The care was outstanding from all of the staff. The level of treatment for me and my wife was outstanding. If I had to give

it a rating between 1 and 10, I would have to give it a 15."

Allen said, there is stress sometimes associated with having a child overseas, but the attentive staff and the excellent facility made the process easier for both parents. The couple also have an 18-month-old boy named Michael Allen Jr., who was born at Aviano. The mom, Staff Sgt. Allen, agreed with her husband by saying, "the nurses and doctors were very supportive. They took excellent care of me."

Caught up in the excitement of the birth, neither parent noticed their new daughter and the U.S. Army would forever share the same birthday.

"We didn't think about it at first, but then we started marking the time, and the date, and we saw it was the Army birthday," Sgt. Allen said. "It's kind of cool."

The pavilion was named for Benincaso, a pediatrician who worked for 13 years in the installation's health clinic. Benincaso retired from the Army Medical Corps as a colonel. His 30-year Army career included commanding the Livorno Health Clinic.

"In October 2004, General (B.B.) Bell heard the voices of our family members and acted by directing the construction and staffing of the pavilion," said Lt. Col. John Alvarez, deputy commander for administration, U.S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza.

"It was built to ensure the families of our



Sgt. Michael Allen and wife, Staff Sgt. Wilma Allen, 3rd Platoon, 68th Transportation, 14th Transportation Battalion, rest with their new baby girl, Emily Allen, at the Dr. Frank V. Benincaso Mother and Infant Pavilion, on Caserma Ederle. Born at 6:32 p.m., June 14, Emily Allen now shares her birthday with the U.S. Army.

twice-deployed brigade had first-class prenatal, delivery, and postnatal care," Alvarez said - commenting on the 173d Airborne Brigade's two deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The facility provides a full-service center for mothers expecting normal deliveries without complications. The facility can manage the birth and care of up to four babies. The center is not designed for high risk births, which are still treated in an Italian hospital locally or at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, in Germany.

The construction, equipping, and staffing of the facility, Alvarez said, was the product of a successful partnership between many government agencies. These agencies included the Office of the Surgeon General, Medical Command, European Regional Medical Command, U.S. Army Europe, Installation Management Agency, the Army Corps of Engineers, Regional Contracting Offices, and private industry, including the Andriolo Corporation, a Vicenza-based company that built the facility.

Alvarez said the pavilion is a unique

"first," as the facility is the first stand-alone birthing facility in DoD. Ironically, the facility took nine months to complete.

Staff Sgt. Erin Rodriguez, a medic who works in the facility, said the staff had hoped one of the expectant mother's would have a baby on the Army birthday.

"We were kind of hoping we would have a birth on the 14th because when we were going off shift that morning, we realized it was the Army's birthday," she said. "It's very fitting to have our first birth on the Army's birthday."

Dr. Tony Frost, an obstetrician and gynecologist said he is always "excited and delighted" to have an opportunity to deliver a baby, but he considered the birth of Emily Allen to be a hallmark.

"One of the exciting things for me is that this marks the culmination of a great amount of work by a lot of people," he said. "It's amazing to me how much effort goes into building a facility like this and to train the people who will work here. I have been taken aback by the effort that has gone into this facility, and I feel honored."



Alex Palomo, an official of the Association of the United States Army Mediterranean Chapter, presents a \$200 check to Staff Sgt. Wilma Allen. The money is designed to help pay for new expenditures associated with the birth of her daughter, Emily Allen. Her daughter was the first baby born at the Dr. Frank V. Benincaso Mother and Infant Pavilion.

## Vicenza Soldier participates in Race Across America

Riders race to raise money for cancer research

By Stefano Sbaccanti  
Special to the Outlook

Race Across America, an international sporting event that covers the American landscape from "sea to shining sea", is the longest running ultra-distance bicycle endurance competition in the world.

When completed, successful RAAM competitors will have climbed over 109,000 feet, cross 13 states and pedal 3,052 miles.

Already tired? It gets worse...or better, depending on your endurance tolerance. RAAM began at 2 p.m. today and must be completed by July 1.

Among the Italian entries, Caserma Ederle community members may recognize several "old friends" from SETAF. The group is teaming up under the name of the charity they are raising money for: "Citta' della Speranza" (City of Hope).

Participating in the Two-Person Men's division of RAAM, are Sgt. Maj. Gennaro "Hyena" Noviello, G3 Training section, and friend, Giovanni Vilardi.

Joining team "Citta' della Speranza" on the trip are team captain, George "Jungle Cowboy" Fontana, 509th Signal Battalion Information Technology specialist; Vittorio "Vidoc" Magrin as the team medic; Riccardo "Ramp" Rampon, 'Lord of the Bikes'; Pinar Okuldas, ride sponsor and handyman; and Stefano "Pickman" Sbaccanti, recreational vehicle guru. Community members may recognize Sbaccanti from his stint as the SETAF Public Affairs NATO Liaison.

The team "Citta' della Speranza" is named after the charitable foundation based in Padova. The goal of the team is to raise money for a new ward for the Oncohematology Clinic at the University of Padova.

The clinic has been in the vanguard for years in the field of childhood cancer research and treatment in Italy. Associated with eight other centers in Italy, and with the most advanced clinics in Europe, it is the only regional

center specializing in this disease. Read more about the foundation at [www.cittadellasperanza.org](http://www.cittadellasperanza.org).

Provided that they see the finish line in Atlantic City, New Jersey, if the team scores any prizes, the money will go to the "Citta' della Speranza" foundation.

For information about RAAM and to keep abreast of how team Citta' della Speranza is doing, check out the Web site: [www.raceacrossamerica.org](http://www.raceacrossamerica.org).



Sgt. Maj. Gennaro "Hyena" Noviello, Italian Army, SETAF G3 Training NCOIC (NATO), trains with a friend. Noviello is taking part in the Race Across America 2005. The grueling bicycle race goes from the west coast to the east coast and is the longest running ultra-distance bicycle endurance competition in the world. RAAM was created in 1982 and has taken place every summer for the past 20 years. Noviello, and his team are riding to raise money for 'Citta' della Speranza' (City of Hope), a cancer research foundation. (Photo courtesy of Gennaro Noviello)

## Sagra Americana celebrates America's independence

Directorate of MWR  
Press Release

School's out and summer's here! It's time for Sagra Americana and our Fourth of July festival. Below is the schedule of events that begin July 3 at 4:45 p.m. with the Sagra Americana Grand Opening.

Other events on July 3 include:

5-6:30 p.m.: Electric Youth Song & Dance  
6:30-6:45 p.m.: Hot Dog Eating Contest  
6:45-7:45 p.m.: Stars & Stripes Teen Pageant  
7:45-8:45 p.m.: Dirty Mac Classic Rock/Blues  
8:45-9 p.m.: Announcement of Pageant winners  
9-9:45 p.m.: Hot Guns country Band  
10-10:45 p.m.: Hot Guns Country Band

The fun continues on the Fourth of July with a Hometown parade at 6:30 p.m. starting at Gate 5 (by the U.S. Army Health Clinic- Vicenza) and continuing down 9th Street to the sagra.

Other events on July 4 include:

11:30 a.m.-12:30: Karaoke  
12:30-1:30 p.m.: Dirty Mac Classic Rock/Blues  
1:30-2:30 p.m.: Elvis Tribute  
2:30-3 p.m.: Bake Off Winners Announced  
3-4 p.m.: Karaoke  
4-6 p.m.: Bak Roads Variety/Classic Rock  
6-6:30 p.m.: Magic Show  
6:30-7 p.m.: Parade  
7-9:15 p.m.: Jenny Boyles Band DOD Variety Band  
9:30-10:30 p.m.: Salute to the Nation/Fireworks  
10:30-11:45 p.m.: Jenny Boyles Band

In addition to the events above, food stands from around the world will feed the hungry with such items as barbeque ribs, hamburgers, Greek, German, and Asian food, cotton candy, ice cream and more.

Mark the date and bring your friends!