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Ceremony marks historical event for U.S. Army Africa



Photo by Antonio Bedin

U.S. Army Africa Commander Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg passes the colors to incoming Commander Lt. Col. Robert Brogan as Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Robledo looks on during a historic event for USARAF - one that highlighted the distinguished history of Headquarters Support Company and marked the activation of the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion Aug. 12 at Hoekstra Field.

by Mindy Anderson
U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

More than 350 Soldiers, civilians and Family members gathered Aug. 12 at Hoekstra Field in Vicenza, for an exciting and historic event for U.S. Army Africa — one that highlighted the distinguished history of Headquarters Support Company and marked the activation of the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion.

Prior to uncasing the colors and assumption of command, the ceremony kicked-off with formation of the troops, and presentation of honors to both Italy and the United States.

“Since 1955 the Southern European Task Force has been successfully supported by the Headquarters Support Company and it subsequently has been supporting the newest Army Service Component Command, USARAF, since 2008,” said USARAF Commander Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg. HSC’s response to the

transition was to take their support to the next level and complete several tasks. They supported USARAF during Natural Fire 10; decreased USARAF’s non-tactical vehicle fleet by 88 percent, saving the command more than \$275,000 annually by implementing Lean Six Sigma best business practices; received Joint Force’s Command commendation for support operations during Judicious Response Parts I and II; and prepared USARAF for its shift to Army Service Component Command through property management. For their superior performance, they were awarded the 2010 Army Supply Excellence Award among comparable units in Europe.

HSC has been so adept at providing service, Hogg answered the burning question of “Why do we need to do this?”

“Standing up a unit is not just some Army thing we do; it’s an important step that demonstrates we are actively creating the force capable of carrying out its mission,” Hogg said. “With the

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U.S. Army Europe names 2011 Best Warrior Competition winners

U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs

HEIDELBERG, Germany – Sgt. James Byrnes, from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command, and Pfc. Travis Williams, from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, were named the 2011 U.S. Army Europe Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year respectively in a ceremony here, Aug. 11.

Byrnes, a 23-year old Green Bay, Wis. native, and Williams, a 19-year-old Philomath, Ore. native, earned their titles after competing with 16 other NCOs and Soldiers at the 2011 USAREUR Best Warrior Competition July 24-28 at the Grafenwoehr Training Area. The competition challenged their military knowledge, warrior skills, and endurance during four days of nearly non-stop action.

The two winners will represent USAREUR at the Department of the Army-level Best Warrior Competition, where they will compete with NCOs and Soldiers from Army commands around the globe Oct. 2-8 at Fort Lee, Va.

There, Byrnes, a military policeman, and Williams, an

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photo by Spc. Jacqueline Chavers

Pfc. Travis Williams, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, fires an M-249 light machine gun during the 2011 U.S. Army Europe Best Warrior Competition in Grafenwoehr Training Area, July 27. Williams won the USAREUR Soldier of the Year title and will go on to compete against all other Army commands.

Opinion & Editorial

Protect your home while away during antiterroism month

By Peg Clevenger

USAG Vicenza security manager

Traveling in Europe is one of the greatest benefits your tour has to offer. However, during your vacations, it is possible that you have left your home vulnerable to criminals. Many burglars will take advantage of families that have left their homes deserted during vacations. There is also a chance of fire, flood or other disaster that could affect your home in your absence. Luckily, there are many ways to help secure your home while on vacation.

Prepare your home: You can prevent trouble and decrease the chances of your home being robbed if you take some simple security measures.

Alarm system: If you have an alarm system installed, you have already taken a very important step in securing your home. However, don't forget to arm the system. Failing to arm an alarm system is a more common mistake than you think. To help you remember, write a reminder post-it note and stick it to the door.

Remove obvious temptations: Take a walk around your property and make sure you cannot see any easily pawned items through uncovered windows. If you have shutters, close them. Are there any ladders left out, or particularly easy or well concealed access points? Thinking outside the box is one of the best ways of protecting your home. Burglars are creative; you should be too.

Secure your home: Lock all doors, windows and entry points. Secure your windows both upstairs and downstairs. Don't forget to lock the garage and gates. Be sure to lock doors leading from the garage door and the basement door if applicable. Lock all storage sheds and out buildings. If someone can't enter your home, they might still be interested in goods in your garage.

Lock them up and take the key with you or leave it with a trusted friend rather than hiding it nearby. Don't hide keys in mailboxes, under doormats or any other place that burglars will know to look.

Mow your lawn just before leaving: Make arrangements to have someone mow it again if you will be gone for an extended period of time. Also arrange for watering, if that is likely to be needed. Tall or dying grass is a sure sign that no one has been home for awhile.

Conceal your valuables: The most affordable form of burglary deterrence is valuables concealment. If a thief is "casing" your home while you are not there to ascertain what valuables are worth taking, if he does not see anything of value, then he is much more likely to never risk entering your home. Common valuables that homeowners unintentionally leave out in plain sight include high-end consumer electronics, laptops and computers, tools, collectibles and jewelry. If possible, remove valuables from your home and leave with a trusted friend or colleague.

Lighting: If you do not have outside light timers keep your outside lights on. Check outside lighting and replace older bulbs. You don't want a light burning out while you're away. All potential entry points such as garage, doors, windows and basement entry-ways should be illuminated if possible.

Unplug appliances: though this may seem like a relatively minor precautionary measure, it is important to make sure that all electrical appliances in your home are disconnected from the electrical sockets. Even if you have a surge protector, it's still possible that a faulty appliance could possibly start a fire in your home. Before you leave, walk through the rooms of your home to ensure all needed electrical appliances are unplugged.

Telephone answering machine: set the telephone

answering machine so that the rings do not exceed three or four. A telephone ringing for a long time many times through the day and night is an indicator that the home is empty. If you do not have an answering machine then turn the ringer down or disconnect the phone. Leave the original message on the answering machine, never give vacation location.

Check the mail: If you live off post have someone pick up the advertisements put in your mailbox. Advertisements piled in your mailbox might alert a would-be-thief that no one is in residence.

Practice OPSEC: Try not to mention your departure while out in public forums. A passerby or someone listening might be somebody who would take advantage of you while you're gone.

Policies: Ensure all personal and renter's insurance policies are up to date. Photograph or videotape your high end items and if possible engrave some identification number on them. If robbed you will have a better chance of getting them back with the identification numbers. Photographs/videotaping can be used when submitting claims.

Social media: Do not announce your vacation on Facebook or other social media. While using personal pages on the internet may be a convenient way to keep in touch with friends, sharing your itinerary can cause problems while you are away from home. Notify only key people that you will be away and avoid posting your vacation plans on internet sites, answering machines or voice mail messages. If this proves too difficult, at the very least keep your location status off any public social networking pages. Many burglars use the sites to identify "safe targets".

Bottom line – plan ahead and protect your assets.

For information about these tips or any of security issues, call 634-8998.

BEST: 173rd Soldier to compete at DA-level

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infantryman, will face tough competition as they strive to uphold USAREUR's "Best Warrior" reputation.

Command Sgt. Maj. Thomas Capel, USAREUR's senior enlisted leader, expressed great confidence in the two competitors winning the DA-level Best Warrior Competition.

"They are going to bring those trophies back to U.S. Army Europe and make everybody proud, just like they did today," said Capel.

If you missed this year's action, visit the 2011 USAREUR Best Warrior Competition homepage at <http://www.eur.army.mil/BestWarrior> for pictures and videos.

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Speak Out

What is the best ODR trip you've been on?



Holly Bailey

Italian Finance Office

"This past December, I took a bus trip to Florence. Once there, we had the opportunity to visit the main sites."



Bizzy Buffington

ODR

"Sea kayaking in Lake Garda and World War I hike in the Asiago Altopiano."



Melody Chavis

Family member

"Cinque Terre — I loved seeing the five different villages facing the Italian sea."



Spc. Carter Lindley

1st Bn., 503rd Inf. Reg.

"SCUBA diving in Genova for dry-suit training; it was amazing."



Ayl Rohling

Family member

"Rome — it was well organized and attended. I had small kids and found the itinerary very flexible."

By Laura Kreider

Vicenza Health Center mourns the sudden loss of NCO

U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza

It is with great sorrow and heavy hearts that the U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza is mourning the loss of an exceptional noncommissioned officer, Staff Sgt. Christopher Ray Jones, who passed away unexpectedly Saturday. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, in the Caserma Ederle post chapel.

Jones, 32, is survived by his father, Carl Jones of Conway, Ark., his aunt Martha Thompson and his brother Carl Jones Jr. When Jones was three years old, he moved to Spokane, Wash. There he met his future wife, Rachel, in third grade. They grew up together and were married shortly after graduating from high school. The joy of Chris and Rachel's lives were their two daughters, Cara, 11, and Isabella, 4, according to friends of the family.

From 11 years of age, Jones knew that he would someday serve his country in the Army. Staff Sgt. Jones served for 16 years, distinguishing himself through exceptional display of professionalism, leadership and duty, first as an infantryman and then as a medical laboratory technician. He deployed twice with the 26th Fire Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served with honor and distinction. During his years of dedicated service, he was highly decorated and earned the Combat Medical Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, and Parachutist Badge. He took great pride in being able to help his fellow enlisted Soldiers as an NCO and as a command Equal Opportunity Leader, according to fellow Soldiers.

Staff Sgt. Jones joined the USARHC-Vicenza family in 2009 and contributed greatly to the transition to the new Health Center. Due to his personal passion and knowledge of information systems and technology, he spent the past year as a key team member of the Health Center's Information Management Department. There he displayed untiring dedication and exceptional expertise as the primary lead on numerous critical projects that vastly improved the automated infrastructure throughout the organization according to clinic personnel. He was pursuing advanced educational opportunities with the plan to one day pursue a career in information technology when he retired from the service.

Staff Sgt. Jones will be deeply missed by his family, the Health Center staff, his friends, and community.



Staff Sgt. Christopher R. Jones

HQB: New Battalion an 'important step' for USARAF according to Hogg

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stand-up of Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, we acknowledge the continued transformation of USARAF into a fully functioning Army Service Component Command. The transformation process may not be fast, but today, the Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion Stand-Up reinforces the fact that we, U.S. Army Africa, are moving forward – it's not happening overnight but we're getting there slowly but surely," Hogg emphasized.

A similar succession has recently occurred between HSC and the new Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion as Vicenza welcomes its first command team, Lt. Col Robert Brogan and

Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Robledo, to the USARAF family.

"As they assume command, they will undertake an important mission of the battalion that will support USARAF through a complex, challenging, and continuously evolving environment," Hogg said. "I am extremely proud of all the successes of our HSC and look forward to the future accomplishments of our HQB," he said.

Hogg introduced the incoming HQB commander, Brogan, as someone with a wealth of experience that USARAF will be able to take advantage of.

"Lt. Col. Brogan's assignments run the gamut of platoon leader to company executive officer to instructor/writer of

the Support Operations course at Army Logistics University to a stint as the 23rd Quartermaster Brigade Executive Officer," Hogg said. "His experience as a petroleum supply specialist prior to his commission, along with several deployments in both Iraq and Afghanistan have all contributed to shaping the skills and leadership acumen of this leader," he said.

HQB, USARAF, and the community will benefit from Brogan's experience.

Brogan emphasized his commitment for continued growth within HQB.

"As we take this initial step in growing the battalion, rest assured you will have my full commitment and dedication," Brogan said. "Command Sgt. Maj.

Robledo and I will seek out the best solutions from the directorates and the company as we build a cohesive unit that will best support the command's mission."

The newest battalion in the Army will be able to provide increased support of personnel, operations and logistics to both USARAF and its members. The battalion will allow the USARAF command team to focus more on its mission on the continent, while the battalion will be focused on its personnel.

With each African land force engagement USARAF continues to build relationships on the continent and work toward its goal of promoting security, stability and peace in Africa.

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At Your Service



Tax Relief Office

The Tax Relief Office exists to save customers 50 percent in taxes on their home heating fuel and 20 percent VAT on big purchases made on the economy at participating stores. Pictured from the left are Lucia Savio, account technician, Kevin Boucher, financial assistant, and Mimma Barbeiro, accounting technician.

The Tax Relief Office recently moved to building 367, across from the entrance of the old elementary school and to the right of the Luna Bubble. The office hours are Monday-Friday 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

For more information call 634-7080..

To suggest a new staff member or volunteer to be featured in "At Your Service," email their name, contact information and why we should feature him or her to The Outlook staff at editor@eur.army.mil.

Vicenza schools release back to school info for Families

Vicenza Middle School Sneak-a-Peek: orientation for new students

Principal Dr. Julio Gonzalez and Ms. Carol Kabonick, counselor, will offer a Sneak-a-Peek Orientation for all new students and their Families Aug. 25, 4-5 p.m. The tour will begin at the multipurpose room.

The first day of school will be Aug. 29. Registration is now ongoing from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. every day.

Vicenza High School newcomer info.

New Student Orientation in the gym, lunch included, will be Aug. 25 from noon-3 p.m. The first day of school will be Aug. 29 with all eight periods.

National School Lunch Program

There is a new application form and new income eligibility guidelines for school year 2011-2012 for the National School Lunch Program. Forms are available at the Child, Youth and School Services Deployment Support Specialist Office and CYSS School Liaison Office in Army Community Service, building 108.

The application process is an annual requirement as conditions may change throughout the year (example: household size, and/or income). A new application must be submitted to the CYSS Deployment Support Specialist Office or the CYSS School Liaison Officer for approval. The previous application form for the National School Lunch Program is obsolete. The application needs to be completed from Section II Family Information through section IV (Section I is for "Office Use Only"). In addition to the application form, evidence of actual income (most recent leave and earnings statement or most recent pay stub) must be presented.

Get your lunch form completed before school starts. Forms can be completed and processed at ACS anytime from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Tuesday, and Aug. 26.

The program applies to students who eat in the AAFES Cafeteria at the Vicenza Elementary and Vicenza Middle Schools in Villaggio and the Vicenza High School on Caserma Ederle.

Student Advisory Council

SAC meetings are open to all parents and community representatives. The School Advisory Committee meets once a month with a published agenda which provides focus and direction on school issues. Each year the committee determines what the goals and objectives will be based on the needs of the school.

Vicenza High School needs to establish an Executive Board of SY 2011-2012. The SAC Executive Board members are comprised of two parents who have a high school student(s), two faculty members and one student. The executive board members are elected members of the committee, thus allowing them to be voting members of the SAC.

If interested send an email by Sept. 3 describing why you should be elected to the School Advisory board to Lauri Kenney, principal at lauri.kenney@eu.dodea.edu. She will publish your email in a voting pamphlet for all VHS parents to review and voting will take place the night of the high school Open House Sept. 8.

High School students welcomed

Welcome to Vicenza High School and your new status as a "Cougar." Your teachers, counselors and administrators welcome you and your parents to your school and the greater Vicenza-Ghedi communities. Vicenza High School promotes high student achievement by providing a wide-range of courses to meet the needs of our students. The "true" high school concept is to prepare each student for life after high school, whether it is in the work force, military service or a higher educational experience. Our counselors will continuously work with each student in developing his/her four-year plan, SAT/ACT, scholarships and college readiness. We stress personal responsibility and ask that you adapt our VHS Vision and Guiding Principles to ensure success.

VHS Vision: Provide a rigorous, world class education to prepare ALL students for highest success, good citizenship and responsible stewardship in a dynamic global environment.

At Vicenza High School, we have Very High Standards and with your contributions our school will be an even more rewarding place to achieve academically. You will find our teachers to be firm, fair and friendly while they are providing a rigorous curriculum based on the DoDEA standards. Our teachers will use differentiated instruction based on the student's data, so that all our students can be achieve success.

Get involved in the Cougar activities, arts and athletics. Run for a class office. Join the band/chorus, student council committees, Model United Nations, grade-level tutoring program, football, cross-county, volleyball, cheerleading or other school-wide organizations. Research has shown that as students become more involved in their school activities, their grades improve, or are maintained at a higher level. To participate in sports and school activities you must meet the Academic Eligibility Policy.

We hope that your time as a Vicenza "Cougar" is rewarding from registration and orientation to your PCS departure date or graduation. We wish you a highly successful and rewarding high school experience. As a team, students, faculty, parents and administrators we will work together to ensure that all students exceed their potential and that all have success at VHS. Go VHS Cougars, home of the black and gold!

Lauri Kenney, principal

Bernie Camuso, assistant principal



VICENZA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Home of the Vicenza All-Stars

UNIT 31401, BOX 11 APO AE 09630

SUPPLY LIST FOR SY 2011-2012



Kindergarten

Mead Primary writing journal
Soft eraser
Glue sticks - 8 small or 4 large
Glue Bottle (optional)
Backpack or Bookbag
Tissues - 1 large box
Crayons - one 8 pack large primary
Crayons - one 16 pack small (please no 24 pack)
Pocket Folder
Bath size towel for Quiet Time
ALL ITEMS WILL BE SHARED. THERE IS NO NEED TO LABEL WITH NAME.

3rd Grade

Pens - 2 red and 2 blue
Pencils - 20
Rubber eraser
Colored pencils - 1 package
Watercolors
Colored markers
Crayons - 24 pack of Crayola
Scissors (preferable Fiskars)
Elmer's glue bottle
Large glue stick
Pocket folders - two 2-pocket folders
Yellow highlighter
Backpack
Plastic supply box
Mead official composition book - 2
Gym shoes
Tissues/Kleenex
Oversized T-shirt - old shirt for messy work...dad's t-shirt is fine!

1st Grade

Pencils - 3 pks of #2 standard
Rubber erasers - one block type and 2 packs of pencil top erasers
Glue bottle - 1
Glue stick - 1
Plain pocket folders - 4
Book bag or backpack - 1
Bound composition (Primary type book) - 1
Bound composition book - not primary type - 1
Colored markers - 1 box washable type
Tissues - 1 box 230 ct.
Scissors (child size) - 1 pair, left or right-handed
Crayons - two 24-ct. boxes
Watercolor paints - 1 box
White large t-shirt for Art

4th Grade

Pencils - 1 pkg. of 10-12 no.2
Loose leaf notebook paper - 1 pkg. wide rule
Rubber eraser - white Staedtler or Pentel hi-polymer
Single subject spiral notebook - 5
Pocket folders - 4
Red or blue ballpoint pen - 1
Highlighter - 1 any color
Crayons - 1 box of 24
Scissors - 1 pair
Glue sticks - 2
Zippered supply bag - 1 - should hold 2 pencils, eraser, glue stick, something for coloring, scissors
Bookbag or backpack - 1
Tissues - 1 large box
NO Trapper Keepers or 3 ring binders
Optional:
Colored pencils - Water-based markers
- 1 bottle white glue
Oversized T-shirt to use as smock for Art class

2nd Grade

Pencils - 3 pks of #2 standard (more as needed)
Rubber erasers - 2 large
Crayons - 2 boxes of 24 (no other size)
Colored pencils - 1 box of 24
Colored markers - 1 box of 8 washable
Glue sticks - 3 large (yellow Uhu stick size)
Bottled glue - 1 small
Scissors - (child's Fiskars) - 1
Mead Primary Bound Composition Books
2 - half-page ruled (no other kind)
Watercolor paints - 1 tray of 8 colors
Tissues - 1 large box
Book bag or backpack - 1
Oversized T-shirt - old shirt for messy work... dad's t-shirt is fine!

5th Grade

Pencils - 2 packs of #2 (more as needed)
Hand-held pencil sharpener
Red pen - 1 Black pens - 2
Scissors (rounded point)
Erasers (block style)
Glue sticks - 2 large
Glue bottle - 1
Paper - lined, loose-leaf
Pocket folders - 5
Spiral notebooks - 5 thin
Highlighter
Crayons - box of 24
Colored pencils - 1 set
Washable markers - 1 set
Zippered pencil case - soft plastic
Tissues - 1 large box
Backpack
NO Trapper Keepers or 3 ring binders
Each student - white t-shirt for Art

OFFICIAL VICENZA MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST - ALL SCHOOL LEVELS

Book bag or backpack
Bound composition book
Colored markers
Colored pencils
Glue (sticks, bottled)
Gym shoes
Highlighters
Notebook - 3-ring binder
Notebook dividers
Paints - watercolor
Paper - loose leaf
Pens and pencils
Planners
Plastic supply box
Pocket folders
Rubber eraser
Spiral notebooks
Tissues (1 box max)

MIDDLE SCHOOLS ONLY
Clipboards
Crayons
Scissors

6th GRADE

Athletic socks
Color pencils (12 different colors)
Glue/glue sticks (2)
Graph paper
Hand sanitizer for classroom (1)
Highlighters (to be kept in zipper pouch)
Large 3-ring binder (min 2" width) w/dividers
Lined notebook paper
PE shorts, sweats, T-shirt, sweat shirt
Pencils (#2) if mechanical, provide extra lead
Pens (blue, black, red) - 2
Ruler - metric
Running shoes for gym
Scissors
Small calculator
Spiral notebook for math journal
Tissues (1 box, max)
Zipper pouch (in binder)

7th GRADE

Athletic socks
Large 3-ring binder (min 2" width) w/dividers
Book bag or backpack
Bound composition book
Colored pencils, colored markers, crayons
Compass
Glue (sticks/bottles)
Highlighters
Notebook - 3-ring binder
Paints - watercolors
Paper - wide rule, loose leaf
PE shorts, sweats, T-shirt, sweat shirt
Pencils (#2) if mechanical, provide extra lead
Pens (blue, black, red)
Plastic supply box
Pocket folders with brads - 2
Protractor
Rubber eraser
Ruler
Running shoes
Scissors
Spiral notebooks
Tissues (1 box, max)

8th GRADE

Athletic socks
Large 3-ring binder (min 2" width) w/dividers
College rule notebook paper
Color pencils - 12 different colors
Graph paper
Highlighters
Tissues (1 box, max)
Mead composition notebook
PE shorts, sweats, T-shirt, sweat shirt
Pencil case
Pencils (#2) if mechanical, provide extra lead
Pens (blue, black, red)
Ruler - metric
Running shoes
Scientific calculator
Scissors
Sharpener
Spiral notebooks

Girl Scouts enjoy annual summer camp at Darby



Girl Scouts enjoy learning how to sail during the annual Girl Scout Summer Camp held at Camp Darby. See more photos at www.flickr.com/photos/campdarby/sets/.

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

This year, the USA Girl Scouts Overseas – North Atlantic held their annual summer camp, Campeggio Bosco Ridente, which translated is “Laughing woods summer camp,” at Camp Darby, July 23-Aug. 6 for Girl Scouts living in military and civilian communities throughout Europe.

“The resident camp at Camp Darby this summer has seen girls from Italy, Germany and as far away as Great Britain and Brussels,” said Angela Miller, director of Program and Adult Development USAGSO-North Atlantic.

Singing and dancing, bowling, kick ball, arts, tourism, horseback riding, sailing and swimming were just some of the various activities that keep the Girls Scouts busy.

“In collaboration with a local sailing club, this year’s camp offered ‘Smooth

Sailing’,” said Miller. “During a five-day sailing class, the girls learned the ins and outs of sailing smart from local sailing instructors; plus the Girl Scout cadets worked toward earning the Smooth Sailing Interest Project Patch while learning safe boating and water safety.”

Scout Matilda Silverstin said, “This is a totally new experience for me since I never sailed before, but I love to try new things and since I love water, this sounded like the perfect experience for me.”

“I get confused with the ropes but I am good at the rest,” said Abigail Bradfield. “If I get a chance I will surely do it again. Any of the camps are good in Italy for someone who likes the water though. This is an unforgettable experience.”

Camp counselor Elizabeth Wing said this is her second year in Italy, but the first year in the sailing program, and she found it really fun.

The Italian sailing instructors also

thought this is a great experience that gave them a chance to learn the English language while having fun and enjoying while teaching about the sea, the wind and how to sail.

“I love the water, sun and play and our instructors are fun and really helpful so you never feel like you are lost. It’s a very fun learning experience,” said Corinne Annalisa Scala.

Miller added she is glad to give campers an opportunity to grow and to accompany them in their first step towards independence, bringing home good memories and experiences.

“In addition to the sailing program, the girls are involved in horseback riding, water sports, leadership development programs and general summer camp fun,” said Miller. “All of the personnel at Camp Darby have been very friendly, cooperative and especially helpful in making this camp experience for the girls one that they won’t soon forget.”

Girl Scout uses learned skills to help out other scouts

By Marisa Gaona
AFN Livorno

While most teens put a high priority on friends and fun during the summer months, others seek out new challenges, like Girl Scout counselor-in-training Melyssa Gomez. Gomez has been in Girl Scouts since she was five years old and said she was excited about getting the chance to learn about what it takes to become a Girl Scout Camp counselor.

“We learned a lot about what we are supposed to look for in the girls, and what to plan for them for the activities for the week,” said Gomez. “We did three different levels of planning. It was really fun to see how much there was to do for each group, but hard it got as they were older.”

In addition to activity planning, Gomez also had to help her campers work through different types of challenges at “Campeggio Bosco Ridente” or “Laughing woods summer camp” held at Camp Darby.

“We teach the girls about how to do effective problem solving because it is something you must learn at a young age,” explained Gomez.

Camp staff member Elizabeth Wing said the counselors evaluate the trainees to see if they are punctual, able to achieve certain tasks and if they take initiative. Amber Griffin was part of the group appraising Gomez’s counselor-in-training performance and praised her approach.

“She’s really good about making sure the girls get to take part in that self discovery and that self-development,” said Griffin. “She doesn’t step-in and do it (for them) and she is definitely a born leader.”

Griffin added that there are also the intangibles that have made Gomez a standout with the staff and her Girl Scout juniors.



Photo by Joyce Costello

Girl Scout counselor-in-training, Melyssa Gomez, right, helps a fellow Girl Scout saddle a horse during the annual Girl Scout Summer Camp held at Camp Darby. See more photos on www.flickr.com/photos/campdarby/sets/.

“The fact that she just has that natural passion, enthusiasm, and charisma, just makes her that much more loveable. People are drawn to her more, because she has it,” said Griffin.

As for Gomez, she’s still adjusting to her popularity as a Girl Scout super star, but has found at least one benefit to her status.

“It’s fun and a lot of people know me and my name. I guess that way you get to meet more people and meeting people is always nice,” said Gomez.

If you or your daughter are interested in more information about Girl Scouts, log onto usagso-na.org.

Darby Dates

Visit the community calendar for upcoming events and details at www.usag.livorno.army.mil

PTSO Partnership Day

On Sept. 9, 1-4 p.m., come meet the new teachers and staff, take a tour of the school, learn about the School Improvement Program, discover youth programs, explore the different organizations offered at Camp Darby and check out volunteer opportunities to make a difference in our school and community.

Health Clinic

Dietician visiting Aug. 23-25
Call 633-7357.

Army Community Service

- ♦ Talk to your spouse, Aug. 23
- ♦ EFMP roundtable, Aug. 25
- ♦ Women’s self-defense, Aug. 26

Call 633-7048.

Saturday dinners at American Beach

Aug. 27, enjoy appetizers and pizza. RSVP by Aug. 25 at 1 p.m.
Call 633-7800.

Child and Youth Services

Parents Night Out and Youth Center kick back night will be Aug. 27.
Call 633-7589.

Outdoor Recreation

- ♦ Aqua Fitness Classes are at the pool at noon, Mondays and Wednesdays in August.
- ♦ Capraia Island boat trip, Aug. 29 and Sept. 3
- ♦ Elba boat trip, Sept. 1

Call 633-7775.

Darby Community Club

- ♦ Texas Hold ‘em, Aug. 26
- ♦ Live music, Aug. 27

Call 633-7855.

Fitness Center

- ♦ Race across America exercise challenge registration begins Sept. 6-16.
- ♦ Free Spin class with Nicole, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. and Fridays at 11:30 a.m.
- ♦ Pilates Class at noon, Tuesdays and Thursdays
- ♦ Free TRX Strap class with Ken at noon Wednesdays

Call 633-7438.

Religious Activities

9:40 a.m. Catholic reconciliation
10 a.m. Catholic Mass
11:15 a.m. Protestant worship
11:15 a.m. Catholic CCD
The Protestant Women of the Chapel are holding their Fall Kickoff to present the new year’s theme Aug. 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the chapel. All women are welcome. Food and child care will be provided. Call 633-7267.

Antique market:

An antique and collectors market will be held Sunday in Asiago, Via Trento and Via J. Scaiari, about 34 miles north of Vicenza.



Courtesy photo

Avril Lavigne: Sept. 8 in Torino; Sept. 10 in Rome; Sept. 11 in Assago (Milan)

Bruno Mars: Oct. 10 in Assago (Milan)

Alice Cooper: Oct. 14 in Trezzo sull'Adda (Milan)

George Michael: Sept. 10 in Florence; Sept. 11 in Naples, Sept. 13-14 in Verona

Brooke Fraser: Sept. 27 in Bologna; Sept. 28 in Milan

Machine Head: Nov. 13 in Milan

Fleet Foxes: Nov. 19 in Bologna
Lenny Kravitz: Nov. 20 in Villorba (Treviso); Nov. 21 in Assago (Milan)

Red Hot Chili Peppers: Dec. 10 in Torino; Dec. 11 in Assago (Milan)

Rihanna: Dec. 11 in Torino; Dec. 12 in Assago (Milan)

Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or at www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing or <http://www.ticketone.it/EN/>.

Local events

Beer and Bruschetta Fest:

Thursday-Tuesday, in Marola, Torri di Quartesolo, Sports Center, Via dei Cedri, about five miles east of Vicenza. Food booths featuring the typical bruschetta (i.e. toasted bread seasoned with garlic, olive oil, etc.) and many other local specialties open at 7 p.m.

♦ Thursday: 9 p.m. Michael Jackson tribute performed by the Jackson Mania Band.

♦ Friday: 9 p.m. live music with the Diapason Band

♦ Saturday: 7:30 p.m. Country dance show featured by the Country Dance Passion School; 9 p.m. live concert with the Boomerang – Official Pooh Tribute Band

♦ Sunday: 5:30 p.m. Obedience, search and rescue dog shows; 7 p.m. dance show; 8:30 p.m. live music with Giusy Zenere and Resta In Ascolto Band at 9:30 p.m.

♦ Monday: 9 p.m. live concert with “Mercury Band” – Queen Tribute Band

♦ Tuesday: 9 p.m. live concert with Radioliga – Ligabue Tribute Band; 11 p.m. fireworks

Toara Fest:

Saturday and Sunday, in Toara, about 17 miles south of Vicenza.

♦ Saturday: 7 p.m. Disco house night; 8 p.m. food booths; 9 -11 p.m. live music with Trial Band

♦ Sunday: 4 p.m. noncompetitive bike ride; 7 p.m. “Pizza in Piazza”: pizza cooked in two wood-fired ovens; 9 p.m. live 70’s and 80’s music

Saint Andrea Fest:

Wednesday in Vicenza, Saint Andrea District, Via Pizzocarro 49. Art exhibits and charity raffle; food booths feature bigoli, gnocchi, grilled meat, goulash and trout; 8:45 p.m. live music and dancing with I Nuovi Delfini Orchestra

San Bortolo Fair:

Saturday-Tuesday, in Agugliaro, about 18 miles south of Vicenza. Carnival rides and food booths from 7 p.m. to midnight. Painting exhibits and charity raffle

♦ Saturday: 9 p.m. music and dancing with Parioli DJ’s

♦ Sunday: 9 p.m. live music

and ballroom dancing with Marco Gavioli Orchestra

♦ Monday: 9 p.m. music and entertainment with DJ Morgan

♦ Tuesday: 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Souvenir Orchestra; fireworks at midnight

San Bortolo Fair:

Friday-Wednesday, in Fara Vicentino, Piazza Arnaldi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; charity raffle and local wines sale by the Fara Alpini’s Association.

♦ Friday: 8:30 p.m. majorettes show; 9:30 p.m. Summer Country 2011 – country music and dances

♦ Saturday: 9 p.m. hip hop dance show featured by the Diamonds Group; 10 p.m. rock music with MT Live

♦ Sunday: 4 p.m. entertainment and free horse rides featured by the Arriba Ranch; Agility Dog show; 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Jimmi Bonato Orchestra

♦ Monday: 10 p.m. live music with La Baobab Big Band followed by Phil Reynolds and his Folk Blues Band

♦ Tuesday: 9:30 p.m. rock night with the Be Wild Band

♦ Wednesday: 8 p.m. Saint George Band; 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Valter Diamanti Orchestra; 11 p.m. charity raffle drawing; 11:30 p.m. fireworks

La Notte Nera – The Dark Night:

Saturday, in Asiago, about 34 miles north of Vicenza. 5:30 p.m. in Piazzetta Monte Zebio entertainment, game, shows and workshops for children; 9 p.m. all the lights in the city will be turned off and candles will be lit up to promote environmental awareness pointing out the dangers of acoustic and light pollution; “Star Party”: telescopes will be placed in Piazza San Rocco to observe the sky. This year the event also celebrates the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy.

Horse-drawn carriage tours:

Saturdays, July-September, 8-11:30 p.m. in downtown Vicenza. Enjoy this unique way of seeing the most beautiful sites in Vicenza. The 20-minute tours depart from and

return to Piazza Biade. The cost is €15 for a maximum of four people at a time.

Mini cruises:

One-day excursions to the island of San Giorgio in Venice depart at 8:30 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. from Chioggia, Darsena Le Saline. The cost for January-April, and October-December is €75 per person. May-September €85 per person. Children 5-10 pay half price and is free for children younger than 5. It includes a typical Venetian lunch and local wine. The Monsier Dubois enterprise also offers sailing courses, cultural and naturalistic cruises and excursions in the Venice lagoon. For more info in English, visit <http://www.monsieurdubois.it/uk/charter1.htm>

Antique and collectors’ items market:

Sunday, in Asiago, Via Trento and Via J. Scaiari, about 34 miles north of Vicenza.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

International woodcarving competition:

Saturday- Aug. 27, in Asiago, about 34 north of Vicenza. The event will be held throughout the city center where master sculptors of various nationalities will carve their sculptures. Winners will be announced Aug. 27.

“Tracks” photo exhibit:

Ongoing through August 31, in Vicenza, Il Grottino, Piazza delle Erbe 1.

Celtic Harp concert:

Wednesday, 8:30 p, in Valstagna, about 34 miles north of Vicenza, Subiolo lake

Zumba Classes:

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. in Vicenza, Parco Fornaci

“Once upon a time” contemporary art exhibit:

Ongoing through Sept. 30, in Vicenza, Galleria Porti, Corso Palladio 3, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-7:30 p.m.

Live pop, jazz and rap:

Friday, 9:30 p.m., in Dueville, Busnelli Giardino Magico, Via Rossi 37, about seven miles north

Sporting events

Moto Grand Prix:

Sept. 2-4 in Misano Adriatico (Rimini)

Formula 1 Italian Grand Prix:

Sept. 9-11 in Monza
SX Series European Supercross Champs:

Oct. 1-3 in Torino

Concerts

89th Opera Festival at the Verona’s Arena: 89th Arena Festival in Verona:

♦ Aida, by G. Verdi, Aug. 28, 31; Sept. 3

♦ Nabucco by G. Verdi, Sunday Aug. 25; Sept. 1

♦ La Bohème by G. Puccini, Saturday, Aug. 26, 30; Sept. 2

♦ Romeo et Juliette by Charles Gounod, Saturday, Wednesday, Aug. 27

For more info and special offers, visit <http://booking.veronatuttintorno.it/offertespeciali.cfm?NL=Eng>

Ziggy Marley: Aug. 26 in Bologna

ODR trips

Sottomarina beach, Aug. 25
Lake Bled, Slovenia, Aug. 27
Asiago cheese and honey, Aug. 27

WWI Hike, Aug. 27
Sea Kayak Garda, Aug. 28

Weekend in Zagreb, Croatia, Sept. 3

Adriatic Sea fishing, Sept. 4
Regatta in Venice, Sept. 4

Tuscany wine tour and pottery shopping, Sept. 10

Mount Pasubio hike, Sept. 17
Lipiza horse show in Slovenia, Sept. 17

Portofino, Sept. 18
Milan, Sept. 24

Oktoberfest in Munich, Sept. 24
Lake Maggiore, Sept. 25

Sea kayak Garda, Sept. 25
Oktoberfest express, Oct. 1

Trips can be booked on WebTrac at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html> or by following the WebTrac link on www.vicenzaMWR.com or at ODR.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

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| Thursday | Kung Fu Panda 2 (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| Friday | Green Lantern (PG 13) X-Men: First Class (PG 13) | 6 p.m. 9 p.m. |
| Saturday | Green Lantern (PG 13) Final Destination 5 (R) | 3 p.m. 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | X-Men: First Class (PG 13) Final Destination 5 (R) | 3 p.m. 6 p.m. |
| Wed. | Green Lantern (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Aug. 25 | X-Men: First Class (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Aug. 26 | Mr. Poppers Penguins (PG) Super 8 (PG 13) | 6 p.m. 9 p.m. |

Camp Darby Theater

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| Friday | Green Lantern (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Saturday | Crazy, Stupid, Love (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | X-Men: First Class (PG 13) | 1 p.m. |
| Aug. 26 | Super 8 (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |

Admission: Age 12 and older, \$4, younger than 12, \$2.
The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.

View MOVIE TRAILERS and more online at www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm or www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm.

Special events

♦ On Sept. 14, Family and MWR will host a **Super Sign Up Fair** at the Golden Lion Conference Center, next to the Ederle Inn. Post organizations will set up a table to present their organizations' opportunities without charge. This event is designed especially to create a one-stop-shop for those new to the community and for community members looking for what is planned for the upcoming months. All on-post organizations or authorized private organizations are invited to request a free table by contacting Sarah Penhallegon at 634-5087 before Aug. 30. In addition this year, there is the opportunity for off-post businesses and organizations to participate as well through the Family and MWR advertising program. To request a table for an off-post organization, the cost is €100, which provides a table, two chairs and sponsorship of a pass to come on post for the event. Another option is for Family and MWR to distribute brochures provided by the off-post business at the event for €50. To request advertising email marketing@vicenzaMWR.com.

♦ **Warriors' Challenge and Luau** is taking place Sept. 25 and will be a "Fun Run" where participants will tackle mud crawling, car-leaping, extreme obstacles in a twisted and demented version of our normal 5k race. The race begins and ends on the sports track, but the obstacles are all around post. Sign up as a team or individual. There are prizes for first-third place for men and women, and the first team. Teams are comprised of four participants and captains can register their team at Outdoor Rec. Only 300 contestants will be allowed to enter so don't wait, registration is open now. Everyone who finishes the race will receive a T-shirt and there will be special prize drawings for costumed participants. Following the race there will be a Luau in the Lion's Den for winners, survivors, and their fans. Register on WebTrac or at ODR. Call 634-7453 for more information.

♦ **The Operation Employment Career Fair** Aug. 30 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., is a special opportunity for the Vicenza community. This career fair is for transitioning military members, wounded warriors, veterans, their spouses, primary caregivers and the military community. The Department of Defense's Hiring Heroes Program along with stateside organizations and local agencies will have representatives present to assist and answer questions. The following agencies will be participating: Department of Defense's Hiring Heroes Program, European Army Career and Alumni Program, Army Community Services, Office of Wounded Warrior Care and Transition Policy, Employment Center for Veterans (representing contractors such as URS, SAIC, ITT), Universal Technical Institute, Military Spouse Employment Partnership, Computer/Electronic Accommodations Program, Ashford University employment,

AAFES HRO, Global Credit Union; Defense Intelligence Agency, Vicenza Family and MWR, Ban-Air; Northrop Grumman; and the Training and Rehabilitation & Development Institute, Inc. For more information, contact ACAP at 634-7188 or ACS at 634-7500.

Soldiers' Theatre

Auditions for "Rumors" the Neil Simon farce, will be Monday and Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. There are great roles for five men and five women. The production dates are Sept. 30-Oct. 9. No experience is necessary, just come out and read from the script. Find out how much fun volunteering in theatre can be.

EO

♦ The Vicenza Military Community Equal Opportunity Office is seeking volunteers to prepare traditional foods from the different Hispanic countries, in support of the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. The celebration will be Sept. 22 at 1 p.m. in the Villaggio Middle School.

♦ Women's Equality Day will be celebrated Aug. 26 at 1:30 p.m. at the Soldiers' Theatre. The guest speaker will be Susan Wong. For more information contact Master Sgt. Colon at 634-7914.

ACS

♦ The EFMP Bowling Bash is Friday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. It's free for Exceptional Family Members and their Families. This event includes free bowling, shoes, and pizza. If you are a member of the EFMP, come join in the fun. Reserve your space by calling 634-7500.

♦ Space-A Travel Brief for Soldiers and military Families is Sept. 13, 9 a.m.-noon, compliments of the MOB/DEP Readiness Program. For more information, call 634-7500.

♦ The deadline to apply for the AER Overseas Spouse Education Assistance Program for term two is Sept. 19. Spouses of active-duty Soldiers who are pursuing their first undergraduate degree and residing with the Soldier overseas are eligible. Call ACS at 634-7500.

♦ Military & Family Life Consultants are licensed clinicians who work with existing Military Family Support Programs to

complement those services. They provide non-medical counseling services. MFLCs can help with issues such as anger management, deployment stress, relocation adjustment, building resiliency, and dealing with sadness, grief and loss. Consultations are free and anonymous; no records are kept. If you are interested in meeting with a consultant, call their cell phone at 333-489-8967, call ACS at 634-7500 or stop in at ACS. The 173rd-embedded MFLC cell number is 345-077-0476.

Arena

♦ The next Texas Hold 'em night is Saturday at the Lion's Den, with sign-ups starting at 5 p.m. and the game beginning at 8 p.m. There is a \$20 entry fee with a \$10 re-buy within the first hour. The band Drop Simpler will be playing live with drink specials all night.

♦ It's time to think about heading back to school. Join the Lion's Den crew for an adult-themed "Back to School" party. Wear your costumes and back to school gear, enjoy games and drink specials all evening Friday.

CYS Services

♦ Volunteer soccer coaches are needed. USAG Vicenza CYSS Youth Sports & Fitness Programs provide a way for volunteers to make an impact on youth by coaching soccer for children and youth 3-15 years of age. Potential coaches must fill out the required background check forms and all coaches must complete required training that is provided and funded by CYSS, including NYSCA Coaches Training and Certification. For more info., contact CYSS Sports and Fitness at 634-6151 or email www.cyssports@vicenzamwr.com.

♦ Trying to decide if you should leave your youth at home alone? CYSS can help. Attend a Family Workshop Sept. 8, 5:30-7:30 p.m., in the Villaggio Child Care Center conference room. This workshop is for parents and youth ages 11 to 18 years. We will share some tools you can use to provide appropriate supervision for your child while

you are away from home.

There is also a two-part workshop just for youth which teaches how to function safely while at home alone. Sessions are Sept. 12 and Sept. 15, 3-5 p.m. in the Villaggio Child Care Center conference room. Youth need to attend both sessions to gain the full benefit of the program. Parents can enroll youth only after completing the Family Workshop. For additional information call Parent Central Services 634-7206.

Operation Christmas Child

This charity collects items and gives out small gifts in shoe boxes to children in war ravaged or natural disaster areas around the world. The items needed include small toys, toiletries, clothes and even empty shoe boxes. Preferred items include small cars, dolls, Play-Doh, jump ropes, tooth brushes, bar soap, tooth paste, dental floss, hair accessories, T-shirts, socks and underwear.

Boxes are in place in ACS, the PX and chapel to accept donations of either the items or a filled shoe box. You can log onto https://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/EZ_Give_Donations/ to make a donation to OCC. If you choose to give in this manner, please print off the label and place it in one of the donation boxes. Items will be collected through Sept. 9.

Arts & Crafts Center

♦ Parent Child Wheel Class is Sunday, 2-6 p.m. Learn how fun and easy it is to work together with your child in this Sunday afternoon pottery session.

♦ Create a simple canvas collage or four-page layout by using scrapbooking techniques and materials. The kit contains everything you need. Just bring your photos. Class is offered Aug. 27 or Aug. 28, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

♦ Try your hand at soap making Friday, 4:30 p.m. This basic class will be a pre-requisite for other soap and bath products classes coming up in the fall lineup.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

To speak with a chaplain after hours, call **634-KARE** (634-5273)

Sunday services

9 a.m.: Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation following Mass, or during duty hours
11 a.m.: Protestant worship
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship
5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Tuesdays

9:30 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel, until Aug. 16. No child care available.

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice
3:15 p.m.: Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center
5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice
5:30 p.m.: PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care

5:30 p.m.: High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Call 340-139-4073 for information

5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

9:30 a.m.: Catholic Women of the Chapel

5:30 p.m.: Gospel service choir rehearsal

7:15 p.m.: Gospel service Bible study

Faith group contacts

Islamic: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info
Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Viale Trento 246, Vicenza.

Bahá'í Faith: Call Russell Menard at 389-133-4627 or 349-708-2535.

Call the Caserma Ederle chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for more information on religious activities.



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

Strapped in: Toddlers are strapped into strollers during the Breast Feeding Walk held locally as part of World Breast Feeding Day Aug. 4.

Know of an event we're missing? Email the *Outlook* at editor@eur.army.mil We gladly accept story ideas, photo and story submissions. All submissions are subject to editing.

DON'T BE LATE: E-mail briefs to editor@eur.army.mil noon on Monday, or by 4 p.m. Friday if Monday is a holiday.

Youths complete in triathlon following clinic

By Krista Cahill
CYSS, Sports and Fitness

What do you get when you combine running, biking and swimming together in one sporting event? You get a Triathlon.

Twenty-one youth athletes participated in the Vicenza's Child, Youth and School Services Sports and Fitness Triathlon Aug. 12 on Villaggio. The athletes competed in two age categories in which boys and girls, ages eight-nine and boys and girls, ages 10 and older. The eight-nine year olds completed a 75-meter swim, a one-kilometer run and a two-kilometer biking course. The 10 and older age group participated in a 75-meter swim, a two-kilometer run and a three-kilometer biking course.

The event was held as part of the annual CYSS Sports and Fitness Triathlon Clinic Aug. 8-11, where 19 youth athletes participated and prepared triathlon. The primary instructor, Camp Adventure Counselor Kristin Kimm designed a four-day triathlon training plan designed to teach the youth athletes how to run, bike and swim in a short-distance triathlon. CYSS Outreach Services Director Arlana Young coached the youth athletes in some basics of swimming techniques.



Above: High fives were given to competitors as they crossed the finish line Aug. 12 after completing a triathlon on Villaggio. Boys and girls in different age groups swam, ran and biked after training during a clinic that week.
Left: A triathlon participant receives assistance from his father before beginning the last leg of the competition Aug. 12.



Photos by Julie M. Lucas

The following are the list of gold, silver and bronze winners in boys and girls:

Boys ages 8-9

- First - Keylin Jackson
- Second - Adian Debose
- Third - Declan Debose

Boys ages 10 and older

- First - Thomas Ballou
- Second - Hayden Diaz
- Third - Jack Labadia

Girls ages 8-9

- First - Samantha McDonald
- Second - Salomi Dayaprema
- Third - Jordan Moldenhauer

Girls ages 10 and older

- First - Abigale Moldenhauer
- Second - Ashley Frank
- Third - Clara Lusby

Soccer matches get tougher as season winds to a finish

Fitness Center

Results of the Aug. 9 games:

Able Co, 2/503rd 5, USARAF Lions 3
Finance suffered their first loss of the season when Able Company hit three goals in the second half. Able scored two goals in the first and three in the second half as they rolled to their 5-3 victory. Reyes Fernandez lead the 503rd with three, and Ruben Russo and Richard Drew each hit the nets once. The Lions scoring were by Rush Farinella with two and Matthew Moles with one.

Finance 5, Health Clinic 1

Individual scoring was not available at reporting time.

Results of the Aug.11 games:

Able Co, 2/503rd 4, Signal 3

Able won against undefeated Signal with three goals in the second half. Able's Fernandez and Russo each scored two. Daniel Padilla, Maynor Rodriguez and Wilmer Aguilar each scored once. The loss moved Signal into a first place tie with Finance with 4-1 records, and Able moves into second.

USARAF Lions 4, Health Clinic 2

Balanced scoring by Alberto Fontana, Perry Williams, Pedro Coston, and Farinella with a goal each, sparking their team to their second victory of the season. Adrian Kabonic and Riccardo Modolo struck for the clinic's two goals.

SOLDIERS & CIVILIANS COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY SPORTS

Soccer standings:

| Team | Win | Loss | | | |
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| SIGNAL | 4 | 1 | USARAF Lions | 2 | 4 |
| FINANCE | 4 | 1 | USARAF Wings | 1 | 3 |
| ABLE CO | 3 | 1 | HEALTH CLINIC | 0 | 4 |

The community is invited to come watch the games. Most games are Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. but schedules vary. Call the Fitness Center for specifics.

League play ends at the end of August.

Sports Shorts

Breast cancer 5k

A group is forming to participate in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure 5 kilometer run in Bologna in September. Weekly training and fun runs will be held. For more information, contact Julie Lucas at 634-7581 or email julie.lucas@eur.army.mil

Unit & rec play

New players are always welcome. Call 634-7009 or individual POCs.

Rugby: Tues.&Thurs 6-7:30 p.m., North 40 field.

Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for eight or more, Fitness Center.

Men's Soccer: 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 24 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil or call 636-9648/9120/9632.

Women's Soccer: 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays for 12 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email sr_brasher@yahoo.com or call 634-8925.

Volleyball: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays for eight or more, Fitness Center.

Frisbee golf: 6 p.m. Wednesdays, North 40 field.

Tae Kwon Do

Tae Kwon Do class will be held Mondays and Wednesdays beginning Sept. 5-Oct. 31. Sign up at the Fitness Center before Aug. 26. The class is \$120 and is taught by Master Kim Sung Bok.

Become a ninja

Check out the new Ninpo Taijutsu class at the Fitness Center. Learn the ancient art of Ninja with classes Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Fitness Center.

Swim team meeting

The Mako Sharks Swim Team will be holding a parents night meeting for interested families Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the elementary school library. For more info, contact John Casey at 0444-91-2612 or email john.j.casey@us.army.mil. Visit <http://makosharks.homestead.com/index.html>.

40 and older basketball

For those interested in playing against a men's Italian 40 and older team, contact Sports, Fitness & Aquatics at 634-7009 or 7616, and leave your contact information.

Chapel Praise Dance Team

The Chapel's Praise Dance Team will be resuming practice and is looking for new recruits to join the fun. Dates and times for the fall are yet to be set, so please contact Stephanie Lewis at mrs.tallaslewis@gmail.com for more information.