

Memorial ceremony honors fallen Sky Soldier

By David Ruderman
USAG Vicenza PAO

More than 200 people gathered at the Caserma Ederle chapel Oct. 4 to pay tribute to fallen Sky Soldier, Sgt. Kyle B. Osborn. Osborn, who served as the senior sniper with Scout Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, died Sept. 13 in Muqer, Afghanistan, from wounds sustained when his unit was attacked with small arms fire and rocket propelled grenades.

He is survived by his wife, Maggie Osborn, and his parents, Creighton and Miriam Osborn, who attended the ceremony along with senior leaders of 173rd ABCT, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza and U.S. Army Africa.

“Three weeks ago today we lost Kyle during combat operations in Muqer, Afghanistan. Our sincerest condolences go out to his family and friends. We cannot replace his loss, but know that we in the First Rock family, and the entire Vicenza Military Community, grieve with you,” said Capt. Bradley Benjamin, 1st-503rd Inf. Bn., rear detachment commander.

He characterized Osborn as a scholar-athlete with the drive and determination to reach any goal at which he set his sights. After enlisting in November 2007, Osborn attended Airborne, Ranger, sniper and jumpmaster schools in short order.

“Not bad for a guy with just four years in the Army,” said Benjamin.

The Osborns arrived in Vicenza in February this year and immediately made a positive impact on the Sky Soldier community, he said.

Maggie became involved in the battalion Family Readiness Group and Kyle, “already a leader with outstanding qualifications, joined the battalion scout platoon, a recon element reserved for only the most talented and well trained paratroopers,” he said.

“As a battalion asset, the Scout Platoon conducts



Two Soldiers kneel to pay their respects to Sgt. Kyle Osborn, Scout Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, at a memorial ceremony held in his honor Oct. 4 at the Caserma Ederle Chapel. Osborn was killed in Muqer, Afghanistan, Sept. 13.

Photo by Barbara Romano

missions of high risk and skilled precision, which was a perfect fit for Kyle,” said Benjamin.

He described Osborn as an energetic son, a devoted husband, a loyal brother, a proven leader and an exemplary noncommissioned offer. “He took pride in all that he did. In a unit laden with young, talented leaders, Kyle shone like a star,” he said.

Benjamin related remembrances submitted by Osborn’s brothers-in-arms from downrange and words of thanks from Maggie Osborn to her husband’s Sky Soldier Family. Sgt. 1st Class Guillermo Orozco delivered a Soldier’s tribute to Osborn, describing him as a true American hero.

“Kyle was the most motivated Soldier I ever had the pleasure of working with,” said Orozco. “Kyle was not

only my Soldier, he was my fellow jumpmaster, my go-to sniper and my favorite Ranger.”

Chaplain (Lt. Col) David Hall officiated, reading from Ecclesiastes and delivering words of comfort to the Osborns and the Sky Soldier Family.

“Today we are all Osborn Family,” said Hall. “It is a time of mourning. Not what we wanted, but also not what we could avoid. These times or seasons come without our vote and often without warning.

“May the Lord bless and comfort each of us here today as we grieve,” he said.

The memorial concluded with a symbolic last calling of the roll, a color guard firing a 21-gun salute, the playing of taps and the paying of respects to the deceased.

Army begins final phase of childcare fee changes

By Evan Dyson

U.S. Army Installation Management Command

SAN ANTONIO — To coincide with a Department of Defense policy to standardize the cost of childcare across the Services, the Army instituted new fees for Child and Youth Programs Oct. 1. The change affects users of Child Development Centers, School Age Care, Family Child Care, Middle School & Teen Programs, Youth Sports & Fitness, and Army Community Based Programs.

This year will mark the final phase of the Army’s three-year transition to comply with the DoD Child and Youth Fee Policy.

Local changes to Vicenza include FCC fees 10 percent less than CDC and SAC fees. Those fees will be implemented Nov. 1. Late payments are charged on the fifth business day and \$2 per child per day until the bill is paid, termination occurs or financial hardship has been approved. CDC and SAC programs have a late pick-up fee of \$1 per minute up to 15 minutes per Family per site regardless of number of children in care at that site. When the Family is later than 15 minutes, the Family is charged \$5 per child, per site for the remainder of the hour. Leave and vacation options will be available to CDC and FCC children but are no longer available for Kindergarten and School Age children. If you registered before Oct. 1

and have not used your leave/vacation yet, you will be able to use it between now and the end of your current registration year. Payments for SAC and MST camps are required in full no later than the Wednesday prior to the start of each camp. The new fees are based on total family income, not rank or civilian grade. By 2014, DoD plans to have fully implemented consistent fees for each of the nine total family-income categories. The intent of this policy is to create predictable and consistent childcare fees across all of the Services.

The U.S. Army Installation Management Command, through its Family and MWR Programs, continues its commitment to affordable childcare and youth programs by striving to keep fees lower than comparable community programs and by paying a portion of the cost for Child and Youth Programs.

Families affected by the new fees will receive information about their specific changes through their local Child Youth & School Services.

Army Fee Assistance for Community Based Programs can be used toward annual child registration fees, full-day care, part-time care, before and after school and summer school age care, respite child care, financial hardship waivers and reductions for Wounded Warriors, Families with multiple children, and Survivors of Fallen Soldiers. To participate, Families and Community Child Care providers must complete an online application. For more information, contact the Army Fee Assistance administrator at 210-466-1057.

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Visit the Luna Bubble through the month of October for a furniture sale.

Saving energy is everyone's responsibility

DPW Environmental Division

30 years ago the Federal Government designated the first energy awareness week; 20 years ago President George Bush proclaimed October as Energy Awareness Month. In 2009, President Barack Obama proclaimed October National Energy Awareness Month to shine new light on energy awareness activities.

Over the years, the U.S. military has been working hard to reduce energy consumption and costs, and U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza is no different. An upgrade to our central heating plant has turned it into a co-generation central energy plant that is 35 percent more efficient and saves about \$800,000 in energy bills every year. Currently, there are projects to install photovoltaic panels on Caserma Ederle, the Villagio Army

Housing neighborhood, and Caserma Del Din which will help achieve the Army's Net Zero initiative.

Del Din, the future home of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and U.S. Army Africa will feature Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Silver certification for the entire installation. Del Din will be the first Department of Defense installation to achieve LEED Silver Certification, with the potential to reach LEED Gold certification.

As the nation's largest energy consumer, the Federal Government has a tremendous opportunity and responsibility to lead by example. Efficient energy management at Federal facilities saves taxpayer dollars, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, protects the environment and natural resources and contributes to our national security.

The Vicenza Garrison is committed to achieve high energy savings through our Installation Management Command Campaign Plan and our energy and water conservation policies. Money saved in our offices, shops and homes can be used to the Vicenza Military Community's benefit.

So start saving energy; Turn Words into Action; Turn Action into Results. Remember to turn off lights and use natural light during the day, keep thermostats at proper temperatures and windows and doors closed. Walk or bike to work when it is possible.

Visit the booth outside the Exchange from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 19 and 26 to learn about energy saving tips and receive free handouts, or contact the DPW Environment Division at DSN 634-8941 or eco@eur.army.mil.

Create a plan with 2 ways out for fire prevention



Fire chief Charlie Fattori holds up a bag put together by the firefighters with safety material for local children as a part of Fire Prevention Week. The fire department is open all week for people to stop by the station.

Story and photo by Laura Kreider
USAG Vicenza PAO

Since 1927, the year of its establishment, Fire Prevention Week has been an important information source about fire prevention.

Themes over the years have been covering several topics including use of smoke detectors, alarms and cooking prevention.

This year's theme "Have 2 Ways Out" covers the escape planning.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, people underestimate how fast fire spreads, so they do not take escape planning seriously with the potential consequence of tragic results.

In 2010, home fires were reported every 85 seconds, killing 2,640 people and injuring 13,350. NFPA's survey reports that only one-third of Americans have both developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.

"As the flier and picture are showing this year 'Have two ways out,'" said U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department Assistant Chief Jeffrey Toporczyk.

In fact, what if during an emergency your first escape route is blocked by smoke or flames?

"That's why having two ways out should be a key part of your plan," said Toporczyk.

One of the leading causes of reported home fires and home fire injuries is cooking.

"Unattended cooking is by far the leading cause of fires, since the 1990s," said Fire Department Fire Chief Charlie Fattori.

"Once the fire strikes, the reality is that the home could be full of smoke and flames in a very short time. It's important to have a home fire escape plan and establish a safe meeting point that prepares every member in the family to think fast and exit quickly when the smoke alarm sounds," he said.

All week an Open House is happening at the Caserma Ederle Fire Department from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 2:30-4:30 p.m.

For information call DSN 634-7092.



Safety tips for the whole family:

- ◆ Create a home fire escape plan with two ways out of every room and discuss it with the whole family.
- ◆ Practice the plan with everyone in your home twice a year.
- ◆ Take steps to make your home escape-ready.
- ◆ When you hear the smoke alarm, get outside and

Speak Out

October is Energy Awareness Month: How do you save energy?



Gwyneth Johanns
Family member

"I turn out the lights when I leave the room"



Caitriona Kearns and Peyton Hurt

Family members
"We turn lights off and use less water."



Jose Polanco
Commissary

"I make sure all the appliances are turned completely off - not even on stand-by."

By Laura Kreider

DoD teacher finds crossroads in U.S. education

By Lisa Daniel
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Angela Wilson, who traveled to Washington to meet Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta Oct. 2 and conduct other official business as the Department of Defense Education Activity’s 2012 Teacher of the Year. Wilson has been a key player in national education issues since being awarded the honor last spring, along with other Teacher of the Year winners from each of the states and territories. Since then, Wilson has traveled several times to meet with national education leaders and work on projects to advance teaching, while bringing those experiences back to her seventh-grade language arts and speech students at Vicenza Middle School in Italy.

“It’s been an amazing year,” Wilson said. “It’s really opened my eyes to what’s going on in education around our nation. As teachers, it’s easy to get stuck in what’s happening in your classroom and not looking beyond that.”

Wilson has met with President Barack Obama, whose sister, like Panetta’s, is a teacher. She’s also had conversations with Dr. Jill Biden, who remains a teacher even as she is second lady, as well as Education Secretary Arne Duncan and other public officials. She has attended education conferences and participated in initiatives and met with former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, creator of www.icivics.org, and Microsoft founder and philanthropist Bill Gates, who spent a couple of hours speaking with teachers at the Educational Commission Conference in Atlanta last summer, Wilson said.

“He met with all of us individually ... and wanted us to tell him what’s going on in our schools and how he could help,” she said of Gates. “He wrote down what we said,” then Wilson and four other teachers were chosen to be recorded for a Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation video.

“That was really neat that he would turn our thoughts into a video” to advance education, Wilson said. “His goal is to make America one of those really competitive educational societies like it used to be.”

Reports that American students’ standardized test scores are falling below those of their international peers are unsettling, but Wilson said she believes the nation is on the cusp of reversing that trend, in part due to the rapid push for new initiatives.

“After attending all of this, I really feel like we as a nation have wanted to do something in terms of big changes in education,” she said. “I think we’re ready to make significant changes and we’re right there at that point about whether we’re going to make that happen.”

Being part of the national discussions, Wilson said, “has opened my eyes to what is happening in the American education system. I think in the DODEA system, we need to be more tied to that.”

Of 1.3 million military-connection children, 80 percent attend public schools, Wilson noted, and the ones who attend DODEA schools mostly move in and out of it and public schools. DODEA works closely with



DoD photo

Angela Wilson, the Defense Department Education Activity’s Teacher of the Year, accepts an award from Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta in the Pentagon, Oct. 2.

military-connected public schools, even offering grants to help smooth transitions for students who move due to military relocations.

Because of that, Wilson said, she is glad that DODEA has signed on to the Education Department’s Common Core Standards, which mandates common core curriculum for students across grade levels. “We’ll all have same vision and direction,” she said. The standards also will be “more rigorous and more relevant.”

While the details of implementation still have to be worked out, Wilson said, the policy, which is voluntary and not adopted by all states, will give teachers more flexibility in how they meet the objectives than No Child Left Behind, which DODEA did not take part in.

“I think it’s going to be a combination of a lot of different methods that the states are doing,” she said of implementation. “The advantage for DODEA is that we get to sit back and watch what some of the states have done and pick the best methods.”

Wilson, who taught for three years in public schools, said the best thing teachers can do for students is to “differentiate” teaching to meet the varied learning styles of students. She acknowledges it can be hard, but has proven it possible by reaching out to parents and students, observing students, and placing them in small groups to understand how each learns best, then tailoring curriculum to each.

“It absolutely takes time,” she said. “But I’ve found when I’ve run a classroom that really is differentiated, it is better and it can be done.”

As for current trends in education, Wilson, who also is a parent of school-aged children, said parents should not worry. “The good thing is that we are at a turning point,” she said. “There are a lot of things that other nations are doing that are great, and the states are doing great things that can be shared.”

“The past year has made me even more excited about education and the possibilities for our future,” she said.

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Guns ‘N’ Hoses

The Provost Marshal Office is responsible for opening and closing the Villaggio skate park on weekends and holidays. If the park is not opened on time it may be due to an emergency or other calls to service. If this occurs, notify the Military Police desk sergeant at 0444-71-7626 or 634-7626 and the park will be opened as soon as a patrol becomes available. The Provost Marshal’s office thanks you for patience and understanding.



Community news

U.S. Army personnel assist Ugandan military

By Julie M. Lucas and Mindy Anderson
Outlook editor and U.S. Army Africa PAO

A Europe-based team of Soldiers and civilians headed to Africa the first week of September to speak to a group from the Uganda Peoples' Defense Force about the various services their respective organizations provide U.S. Soldiers for deployment, redeployment, family support and wounded warrior issues. Team members included Dr. Marva Dixon, Vicenza Army Community Services director, Sgt. Maj. Aaron Miller, U.S. Army Africa G3 Sergeant Major, and Maj. Raymond Jablonka from the Warrior Transition Unit, U.S. Army Europe.

USARAF's East Africa Regional Desk Officer Gianni Iurassich said, "This could make an important impact on Uganda's capability to better support its soldiers, their families, and wounded members returning from battling Al-Shabbab in Somalia and the Lord's Resistance Army."

Iurassich said when UPDF Land Forces Commander General Katumba Wamala visited HQ USARAF in October 2011 he was very interested in the ACS and Wounded Warrior Programs. He requested USARAF send a team to Uganda to explain how the U.S. Army supports its Soldiers, their Families, and Wounded Warriors. "His intent was to showcase how the U.S. Army takes care of its personnel with the hope that the UPDF could learn and apply some aspects of the U.S. Army programs," Iurassich said.

The USARAF Security Cooperation Directorate, along with Daniel Sacks from USARAF Personnel, helped organize the event. "After many months of preparation, the concept of operations was finalized and when the necessary travel funding from Africa Command was obtained, the different team members went about preparing their seminar presentations," Iurassich said.

The U.S. Embassy Kampala-Office of Security Cooperation assisted this "military-to-military contact team" upon arrival to Uganda by getting them safely to the city of Jinja, about 80 km east of the capital city of Kampala. While at a Jinja military facility, the team met 33 UPDF members. These UPDF soldiers and officers came from finance and supply, but also included medical nurses and psychologists. The U.S. team showed a USARAF-produced video that highlighted the roles and missions of ACS employees. Along with the ACS programs, Dixon spoke briefly about the Army Substance Abuse Program.

During the second day, participants heard about Miller's deployment experiences and training he

A Ugandan servicemember looks at brochures and information brought to Africa by U.S. Army personnel. The Ugandans were educated about the Army Community Service programs and began the process to update their own systems.



Photo courtesy Marva Dixon



Photo courtesy Sgt. Maj. Aaron Miller

Dr. Marva Dixon, left, receives a gift from a Ugandan military member after traveling to Africa. Dixon, along with other personnel, educated the military on Army Community Service programs and helped the attendees adopt a plan for their country.

received before and after his deployments. He explained the deployment cycle to include the: Train-UP/Preparation, Mobilization, Deployment, Employment, Re-Deployment, Post-Deployment, and Re-constitution Stages.

On day 3, Jablonka spoke about the creation of the Wounded Warrior Program and the importance of building resiliency skills, providing alternative career and professional skills to Soldiers, the importance of reintegration into active service following injury, and facilitating acceptance and integration into civilian life. During both days, the two presenters tied together their concepts with how ACS helps.

The last day of the seminar, UPDF soldiers and officers were organized into groups to help take what they had learned and start to develop a draft plan that would focus on what key services they felt would be beneficial to the UPDF.

"This was a classic example of allowing Africans solve African issues themselves," Iurassich said. When the draft plan was developed, the UPDF members' next goal was to present it to their senior leadership and to

Wamala. If successful, the concepts of their plan could reach the Ugandan Parliament and the UPDF might be able to get funding to start building a better support/care structure for its troops and wounded personnel. "There were many things they simply don't have the money for ... so this will be the beginning phase for them," Dixon said. "We gave them the ideas to develop their own program. They currently have a program in place, but wanted to hear our experiences to make it better organized and supportable."

Some of the more unique challenges that came up when discussing deployment planning and post-injury care was that some men in Uganda have more than one wife. Extra planning and paperwork would be necessary for a soldier deploying to ensure better care and well being for his family members.

Other differences noted between U.S. and Uganda militaries include most UPDF soldiers receive less than a week's notice before deploying. They have to rely on public transportation to get to their deployment base, and when they return—they have to rely on friends for transport or stand on the road and hitch a ride to their hometown.

"The UPDF has been fighting for more than 26 years and has some programs in place, but it isn't getting the care to all the persons needing it," Miller said. "This was a great opportunity to get the USARAF name out there and let (the attendees) know that the U.S. Army is committed to building partner capacity on the African continent."

At the end of the class, UPDF soldiers were delighted to receive certificates for participating in the seminar from their American colleagues. After the class, Dixon received an email from a participant, thanking her for "an eye opener on the plight of our army and its families."

Dixon said, "The whole experience was amazing and I'm glad we could make a difference in a different country."

Iurassich concluded, "With AFRICOM providing the funding, the OSC in Kampala providing liaison and security services, to the involvement of three different specialists from the Vicenza Garrison, HQ USARAF, and the USAEUR WTU in Germany - a great M2M event resulted which assisted a friend and ally apply lessons learned to improve its capability to support its own troops."

Darby Military Community

CYSS sees slight rate increase due to enrollment

By Vicki Long
CYSS Coordinator

Oct. 1 marked the third and final year of a three-year phase-in that Army Child, Youth and School Services implemented to ease the impact of a fee policy that is to be standardized across all the military services. The School Year 12-13 Child, Youth and School Services Fee Policy includes some of the most significant changes. There have been adjustments to the yearly salary ranges used to calculate Total Family Income that is used to assign monthly program fees. Some of the monthly rates have slightly increased while others have decreased, there is a significant increase in summer camp weekly fees for the School Age Center, specifically for the higher categories but, the portion of the fee policy that will probably have the biggest impact will be calculation of late payment fees and termination of services for delinquent accounts.

The new fee policy establishes that late fees in the amount of \$2 per day, per child after the fifth working day, will be charged until the balance is paid. A termination of childcare services notice will be given to the patron if the household balance is not paid by the end of the second billing cycle. Families experiencing financial difficulties may opt to request a financial hardship, which can be granted by the installation commander.

Another change for the fall/winter season is the implementation of new CYSS standardized menus. Although the Europe Region has been using standardized menus for several years, the new menus show a variety of food that will enhance cultural awareness. The children will enjoy old



File photo

A child enjoys his meal at Camp Darby Child Development Center. Child, Youth and School Services will see an increase in rates due to higher enrollment numbers.

favorites such as macaroni and cheese, pizza, lasagna and chili as well as new entries like spinach frittata, hummus and couscous.

Peanut butter, which had been removed from menus due to the rising number of peanut allergies, has also been added to the menu as an alternative to meat. This

will not pose a threat for those children with allergies to peanuts, as appropriate substitutions will be offered in accordance with their special diet plans.

The menus are posted in all CYSS facilities for parents to review. Feedback from the parents and their children is important and always welcome.



Grape stomp:

Camp Darby community members took part in the "Festa della Vendemmia" Sept. 23 at Torre a Cenaia. All the participants took part in the crushing of grapes. They were to enter barefoot in the vats and press the grapes to bring out the juice, while singing and laughing in one of the most ancient of rural life's enduring traditions.

Courtesy photo

Darby ates

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

ACS

Military Family Life Consultants are professional stateside counselors here to talk about anything from deployment stress to parenting. Free, confidential and no records kept. Call 329-876-2168.

CYSS

Youth Center is looking for tutors for many high school subjects. Students from the International School of Florence need tutors to assist them with their studies. If you are interested in being a tutor, contact the Youth Center at 633-7629.

SKIES Unlimited Instructors Wanted! CYSS is looking for SKIES Unlimited instructors to teach dance, voice, guitar, piano, martial arts, gymnastics and Zumba. Anyone interested can contact CYSS at 633-8084.

Walking Festival

The Walking Festival is back through Oct. 28 with plenty of themed walks and collateral events.

Every Saturday and Sunday, expert guides will lead enthusiasts along the paths of San Rossore Park, where they will have the opportunity to taste the good products of local tradition.

The sandy beaches, the marshes, the pinewoods, the cultivated fields and the pastures of the park offer a mix of views and fragrances.

Outdoor Rec.

633-7775

Perugia Chocolate Festival, Oct. 20.

Religious Activities

633-7267

11:15 a.m. Protestant worship

5 p.m. Catholic Mass

Antique market:

Around 220 vendors will be on site in downtown Vicenza's Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Duomo, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza Palladio, Piazza Biade and Piazza Castello Sunday from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Local events

Chocolando — Chocolate Festival:

Friday-Sunday, in Soave, about 23 miles west of Vicenza. Free chocolate tasting and chocolate workshops in Via Roma, free jazz and blues concerts, food booths in Piazza Mercato Grani.

Antica Sagra di San Michele — Saint Michael Fair:

Saturday-Monday, in Costozza di Longare, about 8 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths feature a variety of dishes with local pioppini mushroom and other local specialties open at 7 p.m.; Carnival rides for children and adults; charity raffle.

Mostra dei prodotti agroalimentari autunnali — Autumn Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Noventa Vicentina, about 21 miles south of Vicenza. On Sunday, downtown stores will be open all day long.

♦ Saturday: from 8 a.m. in Piazza IV Novembre, vintage farm tools and tractors exhibit; 4 p.m. mushroom exhibit and sale

♦ Sunday: 8 a.m. booths featuring typical agricultural Berici products open; 8:30 a.m. farmyard animals exhibit; 9 a.m. old trades show; 9:30 a.m. mushroom and pumpkin exhibit; 10:30 a.m. stand featuring a variety of local meats opens; 11:30 a.m. best pumpkin award ceremony; at noon sampling of local ham and wine; 3:40 p.m. "from milk to cheese" workshop; 5:30 p.m. cheese tasting; 7 p.m. free guided visits to Villa Barbarigo. English guide available upon request. If interested, call Anna Terracino at 634-7169 or email editor@eur.army.mil.

Festa del tartufo nero — Black Truffle Festival:

Sunday, Crespadoro, about 25 miles northwest of Vicenza. Black Truffle and local food products market and exhibition. Food booths featuring typical dishes prepared

with black truffles.

Autunno Sanvitese — Fall Festival:

Sunday, 3-9 p.m. in San Vito di Leguzzano, Corte Priorato-Gandin, about 14 miles northwest of Vicenza; 3 p.m. food booths featuring chestnuts, vin brulè (hot spiced wine) and traditional sweets; 4 p.m. agility dog demonstration; 5 p.m. nature workshop and courtyard animal exhibit.

Fiera del Tretto — Sapori e Colori dei nostri monti — Flavors and Colors of our mountains - Fall Festival:

Sunday, in Schio, S. Rocco di Tretto, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza; 9 a.m. mountain products and crafts exhibit and sale; at noon food booths featuring local specialties and roasted chestnuts; 3 p.m. folk music and dancing; 3 p.m. chainsaw carving competition.

Fiera arti e mestieri — Arts and Crafts Fair:

Sunday, 9:30 a.m., in Gambugliano, Piazza Corobbo, Via Roma, about 9 miles northwest of Vicenza; local agricultural products and crafts exhibit and sale; food booths featuring local specialties open at 11:30 a.m.; 2:30 p.m. Veneto folk dances; 3:30 p.m. country music and dancing; live music at 9 p.m.

Festa del Ringraziamento e dell'Agricoltura — Thanksgiving and Agricultural Festival:

Sunday, in Caltrano, Piazza Dante, about 24 miles north of Vicenza. Flowers and courtyard animal exhibits; 1 p.m. old trades show: apiculture, milk processing and straw manufacturing; 3 p.m. chestnuts and vin brulè (hot spiced wine); 4 p.m. folk songs and dances.

Mostra-mercato di prodotti naturali-biologici — Local organic products exhibit and sale:

Sunday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., in Schio, Piazza Rossi and Via Cap. Sella,

about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza.

Falconarius — Birds of prey flight demonstration:

Every Sunday through Oct. 28, 4 p.m., in Marostica, Ornithological Museum, Via Cansignorio della Scala 2, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. The €5 fee includes the visit at the museum; reduced €3 (children 3-6); free for children under 3.

BioVeganFest — Biovegetarian festival:

Friday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-11 p.m.; in Bassano del Grappa, Palazzo Bonaguro, via Angarano 77, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. A wide range of famous Vegan products and vegetarian cooking workshops; entrance fee €4, valid for three days; free for children age 12 and younger and senior citizens age 60 and older.

Free concerts, exhibits, events

Canticoro - Choir Festival:

Sunday, 6 p.m., in Bassano del grappa, Teatro Remondini, Via SS. Trinita', 8/c.

Festival Concertistico Internazionale — International Concert Festival:

♦ Saturday, 4 p.m., in Vicenza, S. Giuliano Church, Corso Padova 57

♦ Sunday, 8:45 p.m., in Lisiera, Bolzano Vicentino, Piazza Monsignor A. Scremin 1.

New generation jewels:

Vicenza, ongoing through Dec. 18, in Vicenza, ViaArt, Contrà del Monte 13, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 3-7 p.m.

Raku exhibit:

Ongoing through Jan. 22, Vicenza, ViaArt, Contrà del Monte

13, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 3-7 p.m. *Raku ceramic pottery is a Japanese technique used since the 16th century.

Fencing trials:

In Vicenza, Fencing Center, Via Riello 150. Qualified, English-speaking fencing instructor. Free lesson, €15/one-time insurance fee.

For more details, call 0444-507474 or 342-667-7315. English operator available.

Concerts

Estragon Reggae Festival:

Friday in Bologna

Europe: Oct. 27 in Padova, Oct. 29 in Milan

The Cranberries: Oct. 28 in Padova

Andrew Bird: Nov. 14 in Milan

Kris Kristofferson: Nov. 26

in Milan

Cirque Du Soleil — Alegria: Nov. 15-18 in Assago (Milan)

Skunk Anansie: Nov. 19 in Assago (Milan)

Spirit of New Orleans — Gospel Choir: Dec. 20 in Lucca

Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or at www.greenticket.it or www.ticketone.it.

ODR trips

Hawk walk in Colli Berici: Sunday

Ravenna: Oct. 20

Wine Down Wednesday Valpolicella: Oct. 24

San Marino wine tasting: Oct. 28

Baroque Turin and Venaria Reale Palace: Nov. 3

Modern Art Gallery in Rovereto: Nov. 4

Wine down Wednesday in Colli Euganei: Nov. 7

Veterans Day in Florence: Nov. 11

Lubljana, Slovenia: Nov. 17

Antique market in Milan: Nov. 25

Nice express and perfumery shopping: Dec. 1

Solden ski/snowboard trip: Dec. 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.

*All events listed on this page are as reported to the **Outlook** office by press time. All events and times are subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

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| Thursday | Total Recall (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Friday | Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| | The Bourne Legacy (PG 13) | 9 p.m. |
| Saturday | Frankenweenie (PG)* | 3 p.m. |
| | Taken 2 (PG 13)* | 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | Frankenweenie (PG)* | noon |
| | Taken 2 (PG 13)* | 3 p.m. |
| | End of Watch (R)* | 6 p.m. |
| Wed. | Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| Oct. 18 | The Bourne Legacy (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Oct. 19 | Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| | The Campaign (R) | 9 p.m. |

Camp Darby Theater

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| Oct. 19 | The Bourne Legacy (PG 13) | 6 p.m. |
| Oct. 20 | Looper (R)* | 6 p.m. |
| Oct. 21 | Won't Back Down (PG)* | 1 p.m. |
| Oct. 26 | The Campaign (R) | 6 p.m. |

Admission: *First run, adult, \$5.50, under 12, \$2.75; regular release, \$5/\$2.50; repeat releases, \$4.50/\$2.25; special pay \$3.50/\$1.75.

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

AVID night at VMS

All parents of AVID students are invited to attend a Socratic potluck at the Vicenza Middle School Oct. 18 from 5-6:30 p.m. to introduce program activities. Please bring a dish to share with four or more and advise how many children under 10 will attend; babysitters will be provided. RSVP by Monday to Ms. Turner at Michal.Turner@eu.dodea.edu. Future AVID parent meetings will be held every third Thursday of the month except December and April from 5-6:30 p.m.

Halloween at Villaggio

Halloween on Villaggio begins Oct. 31 with contests at the Villaggio Youth Center from 3:30-6 p.m. for U.S. ID card holders and guests; children must be 12 or under, in costume and accompanied by their parent.

The CDC will close at 5:30 to allow parents time to pick up their children.

There will be no driving in Villaggio from 6-8:30 p.m. Shuttle buses will run from the Commissary parking lot to Villaggio main gate from 3-8:30 p.m.

The main gate will be open for non-ID card holders from 6-8 p.m. for Trick-or-Treat. Family and MWR and B.O.S.S. volunteers will man eight "treat shacks" throughout the housing area.

"Trunk or Treat" lets families living off post decorate their vehicles and distribute candy. FMWR will present a \$100 commissary gift card to the best decorated vehicle. You must register your vehicle before Oct. 19; forms are online at VicenzaMWR.com.

"Not Participating Signs" will be distributed to Villaggio homes the week prior for those who wish to abstain. Signs should be clearly posted on the front door.

Get last minute updates on the U.S. Army at Vicenza Facebook page.

Steak Night at the Arena

Steak Night at Old Soldiers Bar will be Oct. 23 from 5-9 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person. Reserve your seats before Oct. 19 at 634-8257.

USO Halloween event

USO will host its Halloween celebration Saturday Oct. 27 from 2-7 p.m. on the track field opposite the Arena. Activities include bouncy houses, food, face painting, games and candy prizes, and live music. Free to everyone on post, all are welcome. Trunk-or-treating along "No-Name St." begins at 6 p.m. (line up starts at 5:30 p.m.). Cars must be in place by 1:30 p.m. to ensure safety.

Pottery, drawing, Art with Anything

Youth clay classes: teens can learn to use the slab roller to create mugs or other vessels this Friday.

Younger children can learn the basics of pottery Sunday making pumpkin pinch pots and lids.

Life drawing classes begin Oct. 24. This five-part class meets on Wednesdays 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Art with Anything Oct. 26 from 3-4 p.m. will focus on Halloween storytelling for EFMP families that lets participants draw



Photo by Laura Kreider

Whipping winners into shape: Fitness Center instructor Allison O'Brien urges Biggest Winner 2012 participants to go the extra mile during training at the gym Sept. 29. The program runs through Dec. 8 and features an Oktoberfest test tomorrow and a Reindeer Sleigh Pull Nov. 30. Stop by the Fitness Center for info.

their own holiday stories.

Call the Arts & Crafts Center at 634-7074, stop by Wednesday-Sunday or register online through WebTrac.

CTC Registration

Central Texas College Term 2 registration is under way. In-person classes include Criminal Deviance, Legal Aspects in Criminal Justice, Terrorism as a Strategy, Setting Goals and Objectives Call 634-6514 or email vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu for details and assistance.



Sgt. 1st Class

Daniel T. Metcalfe

Sky Soldier casualty

Sgt. 1st Class Daniel T. Metcalfe, 29, of Liverpool, N.Y., died Sept. 29, in Sayyid Abad, Afghanistan, of injuries suffered when his unit was attacked with small arms fire. The incident is under investigation. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, Caserma Ederle in Vicenza. A memorial ceremony will be held Nov. 1 at the post chapel.

Vicenza Community Club

VCC presents a **Circus Luncheon** Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Golden Lion. Cost is \$15 per person. Please RSVP by Friday via email to reservations@vccitaly.org.

VCC hosts **Trivia Night** Oct. 24 from 6-8:30 p.m. Teams of up to

six compete for prizes; admission is \$5 per person. Register by Oct. 19 via email to reservations@vccitaly.org.

Retiree Health Day Oct. 17

U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza will host Retiree Health Day registration Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event offers priority access to a range of services to all area retirees, including the medical and dental clinics, DFAS and Global Credit Union, ID card, passport and soggiorno services, and AAFES. DFAS and GCU will advise retirees regarding pay and direct deposit issues in advance of mandated changes that become effective in March 2013.

At the Wellness Center

Nutrition for a Healthy Heart: A one-hour class will be held Oct. 23 from 9-10 a.m. in the Wellness Center. Open to anyone with high cholesterol, high blood pressure, heart disease or an interest in healthy nutrition. Call 0444-61-9519 to register. Classes repeat every fourth Tuesday of the month.

Army MOVE! Weight Management Classes: This three-part class focuses on nutrition, physical activity and building healthy habits. Designed for active duty Soldiers but open to Family members and civilians on a space-available basis. The next iteration begins Nov. 6 at the Wellness Center at 8 a.m. Call 0444-71-9519 for details and to register.

AAFES announces

Cutest Kiddo Contest: The Army and Air Force Exchange Service is searching for the world's most adorable kids to enter the third annual Cutest Kiddo Contest. Visit the Exchange's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/AAFES.BX.PX> for complete rules and regulations, and to upload a photo. Entries must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. CST Nov. 8. The entry receiving the most votes will win a Disney cruise trip for four to the Bahamas plus a \$500 Exchange

Gift Card. Seven runners-up will win an Exchange Gift Card valued up to \$2,000. Fans may vote from Nov. 9 through Dec. 6. Winners will be announced Dec. 12.

Auto scam may be heading your way: Drivers beware. Recent advertisements in *Auto Trader* and major metropolitan newspapers offering automobile sales through a company calling itself "Exchange Inc." have prompted AAFES officials to investigate whether someone is using the Exchange's trademarked logo and name without permission to purportedly sell vehicles in the United States, according to officials. Exchange customers should be aware and skeptical of potential fraud. AAFES facilities are located solely on military installations, and while the Exchange does have mail order and Internet offerings, it does not advertise in civilian outlets. All advertisements for legitimate Exchange offerings are published in outlets whose audiences are mostly comprised of military members.

Murder Mystery Dinner

Youth Service and Club Beyond host a Murder Mystery Dinner Oct. 19 beginning at 6:30 p.m. for grades 6-8. Call 634-7659 and register online before Oct. 18.

Job and Volunteer Fair

A Job and Volunteer Fair will be held Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the ACS lobby of Davis Hall, Building 108. Meet reps of on-post agencies for information on jobs and volunteer positions. Call 634-7500 for details.

Energy Awareness Month

As part of Energy Awareness Month, the Directorate of Public Works will visit Vicenza Elementary and Middle School Monday and Tuesday to give students an overview of how energy is produced and used and what natural resources are consumed in the process. DPW will also set up Energy Awareness booths in front of the PX Oct. 19 and 26 to hand out energy conservation

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 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

Wednesdays

5:30 p.m.: PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care

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

Bahá'í Faith: Call Russell Menard at 389-133-4627 or 349-708-2535 or Giacomo Baravalle at 348-603-2283

Church of Christ: Call CW2 Michael Bickle at 345-469-9974 or 0444-335-135 or email vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com

Islamic: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519)

Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Sunday services, 9:30 a.m. in Vicenza. Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107 for details.

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

information, energy conservation gadgets and to discuss energy sustainability and alternative energy sources.

Audible Laughter at Soldiers' Theatre

Audible Laughter, a collection of eight short comedies, opens Friday at the Soldiers' Theatre. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. through Oct. 21. Content includes adult language and situations, and is not suitable for children. Tickets are \$12. Call 634-7281 to reserve seats.

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



Cougar action:

Above, Cougars' Terell Gandy, #2, attempts a tackle on a Hoenfels runner while Randall Bagtas, # 87 and Joshua Bulgin, # 75, follow the action.

At right, Ethan Fullmer, #12, goes for a touchdown escaping the opponent Caleb Petersen, right, during the football game against Hohenfels at the track field Saturday.

The Vicenza High School Football team won 50-24 after leading for the whole game.

Photos by Laura Kreider



Photos courtesy Spc. Amar Walker

Duck, dodge: Above, Soldiers from Caserma Ederle participate in a Dodgeball tournament against Soldiers stationed in Germany. At left, Cpl. Michael Navarro, right, shakes a hand after accepting his medal as a part of the 509th Dodgeball team, The Vicenza All-Stars, that placed third.

Oktober-test

Mark your calendar for Oktober-test Friday. King Ludwig and his wife Queen Therese, cordially invite you to a test of endurance and athleticism, in honor of their 202nd anniversary, formerly called "Oktoberfest." Adult and youth teams of 4 compete in the fun Oktoberfest-themed physical challenges followed by an Oktoberfest celebration. Awards will be given for first, second, third and best costume. For complete categories and information visit www.vicenzaMWR.com. Cost is \$60 per team. Adults register through ODR and youth through CYSS.

Aviano Golf Tourney

Golfers register for the Aviano, Vicenza Camp Darby Triangle Challenge Oct. 20 and 21 at the Alpine Golf Course at Aviano Air Base. The Challenge begins at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$20 per person plus green and cart fees. Register before Oct. 12. Call 634-7009 to register.

Unit and rec play

Flag football league:

Come cheer on your favorite unit Monday and Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the football field. 173rd Rear Detachment is undefeated with 3 wins followed by USAHC with 2 wins, 0 losses.

Men's Soccer: Vicenza Post Soccer Team is currently looking for players. Practice is every Tuesday and Thursday from 7-9 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Soccer Field behind the Ederle Inn. For more information contact Wilmer Aguilar (team captain) at 634-8638 or 335-698-1961, or email wilmer.aguilarcorea.mil@mail.mil.

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

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

Tennis: Open play Singles and Doubles on Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.

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