

173rd ABCT welcomes new CSM



Photo by Paolo Bovo

Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel D. Coston, left, is handed the brigade colors of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team from Brigade Commander Col. Andrew Rohling, right, during a Change

of Responsibility Ceremony at Caserma Ederle, Jan. 10, while the outgoing command sergeant major, Command Sgt. Maj. Nicholas A. Rolling, center, looks on.

173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team

The 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team conducted a Change of Responsibility Ceremony, saying goodbye to Command Sgt. Maj. Nicholas A. Rolling, thanking him for his fidelity and service, and welcoming Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel D. Coston at the post gym Jan. 10.

The ceremony gave Rolling an

opportunity to address his Sky Soldiers one last time before making his trek to 82nd Airborne Division, where he will take over the duties of senior enlisted advisor for 3rd Brigade, 82nd Div.

Rolling complimented the Paratroopers and reminded the crowd that filled the stands of the indoor stadium that noncommissioned officers are the backbone of the Army and he thanked Col. Andrew Rohling, the

brigade commander for his support and mentoring, as well as welcomed Coston to the Sky Soldier Family.

Coston said he was there to help Soldiers. Coston emphasized that he is a phone call away regardless of the time, day or night and looked forward to leading the brigade as the command sergeant major.

For Rohling and Rolling, this tour together as a command team was nothing

new. They went through Ranger training together and again served together in the 173rd, as well. Rohling shared with the crowd his memories of Rolling as a private first class through his tenure as the first sergeant of Chosen Company and ultimately senior enlisted advisor for the brigade.

Coston said that this assignment completes his goals and ambitions as a

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2 NCOs selected for induction to Sgt. Morales Club

U.S. Army Africa PAO

Tensions were high and anxiety filled the air as candidates for the Sergeant Morales Club nervously paced back and forth, trying to calm their nerves before their final board appearance Jan. 6 in the Garrison Headquarters building. After a grueling selection process of initial and intermediate selection boards, this board was the last phase to determine if these noncommissioned officers were worthy of induction in the most prestigious club for enlisted Soldiers serving in Europe.

Out of three candidates, two NCOs were selected for induction: Staff Sgt. William Delong, a provost sergeant

with U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza, and Staff Sgt. Billy Kelly, a squad leader assigned to 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment.

“It is an honor to be selected for induction to the Sergeant Morales Club. Being recognized by fellow NCOs and senior leaders as one of the Army’s best when it comes to coaching, mentoring, training and caring for Soldiers is truly special,” Delong said. “I cherish and look forward to using this opportunity to reach out and influence and shape more Soldiers into professional, competent, first class war fighters regardless of unit or duty.”

Membership in the SMC recognizes NCOs who merit special recognition and who exemplify leadership

which is characterized by their concern for the needs, training and development of Soldiers. Membership is exclusive and is limited to only to those nominated by their senior leadership.

Delong said he was excited and relieved to be inducted, but the selection process was by no means easy. To prepare for the board, Delong said he spent countless weeks studying and kept up continuous communication with his Soldiers.

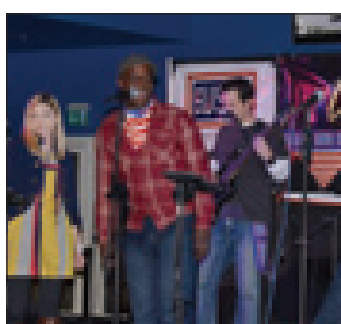
“The selection process is a lot of studying, a lot of review, and expressing that knowledge of how you know your Soldiers, your job and their job as well,” Delong said.

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Youths earn Snow Sports badges; UFC fighters visit Caserma Ederle



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The cost of postage will raise to \$0.45 Sunday for a one ounce letter sent domestically.

Town hall held for local nationals, jobs discussed

USAG Vicenza PAO

Italian employees of the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza and U.S. Army Garrison Livorno learned Friday of reductions in positions for local national workers at both locations.

U.S. Army Europe announced inactivation of the command structure of USAG Livorno and its re-designation as a satellite site to realign its essential services under USAG Vicenza. As part of this same action, USAG Vicenza is right-sizing support services provided to its changing community population.

USAG Vicenza Commander Col. David Buckingham explained in the 2 p.m. standing room only meeting in the Post Theater that he must reduce the number of positions available for employment with the U.S. Army Garrison in Vicenza.

At the same time, local national workers gathered on Camp Darby to hear the announcement from USAG Livorno Commander Lt. Col. Kevin Bigelman.

In Vicenza, Col. Buckingham said that he is "...very confident that none of the wonderful Italian workers currently employed by the U.S. Army in the Vicenza area will lose their job." He explained that new positions being added for the opening of the Dal Molin base and the deliberate practice of allowing positions to remain vacant after the retirement or departure of local national employees over the past year have mitigated the situation in Vicenza.

At Vicenza, 73 local national, 29 Department of the Army Civilian and one military position are being eliminated in the reduction. A number of Vicenza positions to be cut are vacant and will be eliminated without affecting workers. Presently about 65 Italian workers are in positions authorized for support of the new installation at Dal Molin. Some individuals have been hired for Dal Molin within the last 2 years, but many others are in positions that would have been cut in the action announced Friday, but have been preserved because of Dal Molin, Col. Buckingham explained.

In addition to the good news that USAG Vicenza should not have to release any currently employed Italian workers, Col. Buckingham said, "The opening of Dal Molin in the summer of 2013 will allow us to increase our job authorizations, and hire additional workers, over the next few years."

The garrison commander explained that there will be a total of approximately 275 new permanent jobs created because of Dal Molin of which approximately 200 positions, more than 70 percent of the total, will be Italian employees. "Of

those 200 Italian positions, approximately 65 will be filled by Italian workers already employed by the U.S. Army in Vicenza. The additional approximately 135 Italian workers will be hired over the next few years," he said. "I expect a few of those workers to be hired between now and the end of this summer, then a large number should be hired between the fall of 2012 and summer 2013, and some will be hired later in 2013 or 2014.

Buckingham told the Vicenza audience that the reductions affecting the USAG Livorno will affect many workers. "In addition to about 10 US military personnel and 40 US civilian employees, the budget cuts require the elimination of approximately 67 Italian positions and almost all of these positions are currently filled," he said. "We will work closely with the local unions, and use our normal employment processes to identify which workers will be released, and when, and to provide as much assistance as we are legally able to provide."

Buckingham reiterated that the budget crisis has had no effect on the United States' friendship with the people and government of Italy, our security commitments with Italy through NATO and other agreements, or the Army's long-term presence. He closed his remarks by thanking the Italian workforce for their hard and skilled work and took questions from those attending before departing for a press conference on the reductions.



Photo by Laura Kreider

U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Commander Col. David Buckingham speaks to the local national employees during a town hall Friday. The discussion touched on the future of jobs at Caserma Ederle and Dal Molin.

MORALES: Stress management training first of its kind in Africa

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Induction to the Sergeant Morales Club is similar to another NCO club stateside.

"The Sergeant Morales Club is based a lot like the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club. It allows senior NCOs, sergeants major and command teams to recognize NCOs and leaders who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, and it's a great recognition to say that you are the cream of the crop NCO. If you're striving to be in the Sergeant Morales Club, then you're striving to be in the top one percent of NCOs in the Army," said Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Kupsh, president of the Vicenza Chapter of Excellence for the SMC.

Even though he was not selected for induction, Staff Sgt. Reyes Fernandez, a squad leader with 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, was still humbled from the honor of being nominated by his senior leadership, and sees the boards as a learning process.

"It's a good experience because

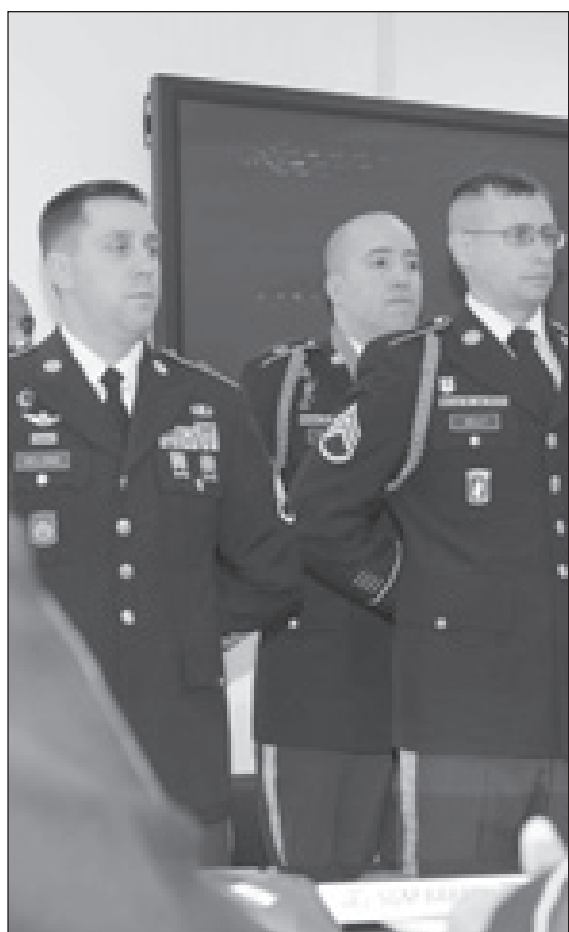
I'm used to my comfort zone; by doing this it's getting me out of my comfort zone. It's giving me more things I can learn about myself. It's a great experience," Fernandez said.

Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes, U.S. Army Africa command sergeant major and president of the board, said the board is very selective because they are looking for excellence in every category.

"The members of the Morales Club will be noted as a prestigious group of people for a long, long time," Rhodes said.

In 1973, the SMC was established by Lt. Gen. George S. Blanchard to recognize the best Army leaders in Europe. Sergeant Morales was the typical "98 pound weakling" whose hard work and dedication to his job, his Soldiers and his country lead to him gaining lasting recognition of his accomplishments.

The induction ceremony is scheduled to take place Friday at the post theater.



U.S. Army Africa photo

Candidates for the Sergeant Morales Board (front left to right) Staff Sgt. William DeLong, Staff Sgt. Billy Kelly, Staff Sgt. Reyes Fernandez (not pictured) receive a briefing on board procedures prior to the start of the board. Mentors who prepared candidates stand in the back row. Both DeLong and Kelly earned entry into the club and will be recognized at a ceremony Friday.

Speak Out

What is your resolution and are you sticking with it?



Stacy B. Turner
Retiree

"To adopt a healthier lifestyle and do more family orientated activities like sports and traveling."



Ricky Jackson
Sports, Fitness & Aquatics
"To get busy, stay consistent and succeed. I'll be always thinking positive and focusing on my goals."



Tara Peltier
Family member
"I will be taking 366 photos in the year of 2012 to represent 'a year in the life of Italy'."

By Laura Kreider

ACS offers weekly Italian culture classes

by Sasha Sibilla
Special to the Outlook

If you're new to Vicenza and its surroundings and want to have a better understanding of life and culture in Italy, Army Community Services has thought of a class for you. Culture College: Italian 101 is a one-day intensive cultural integration class that is offered weekly to the Vicenza community.

The class was designed to provide Soldiers assigned to Vicenza a taste of life in Italy by including an overview of the Italian language, cultural nuances, and hands-on experience in the transportation and travel system. The class is initially held at ACS then the students learn the bus system to get to downtown Vicenza for a tour of the city and lunch.

"Bringing the students downtown to experience the beauty of this city is both exciting and fun and I enjoy sharing my Italian culture with them" says Carla Torti, Culture College instructor.

Inbound Soldiers are assigned to the class during in-processing, however civilians and Family members are also welcome to attend on a space available basis as additional classes have been added starting this month.

"We have had a great deal of enthusiasm regarding the classes so far and are really looking forward to offering them more frequently," said Julia Sibilla, ACS Relocation Program manager. For more information on Culture College: Italian 101 call 634-8525.



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

Army Community Service Culture College instructor Carla Torti, right, leads a discussion on what to expect when visiting an Italian home.



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Sushi rolling: Amiia Coffey, right, shows Lisa Pryor how to roll sushi during Army Family Team Building instructor training.

CFC campaign ends in success

Directorate of Human Resources

The Combined Federal Campaign is the world's largest, most successful, workplace charity campaign. Contributors can choose from more than 2,000 charities, both national and international, to support. The 2011 Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas ran from Oct. 3-Dec. 15 last year.

"Thanks to the hard work of our unit representatives, 100 percent of the Vicenza Military Community was contacted and given the opportunity to support CFC," reported Vicenza CFC Project Officer, Tamela Faulkner.

Continuing a longstanding tradition of selfless giving, CFC-O raised a combined total of \$2.5 million from more than 16,000 people. The Vicenza community contributed just under \$185,000 with more than 1,800 people supporting the campaign, making this a highly successful campaign.

"I cannot thank the community enough for their awesome support of CFC this year. These are economically challenging times, but it is evident that we are still a community willing to offer a helping hand to those less fortunate or simply choose to offer a better quality of life to the global community," Faulkner said.

Donations to CFC went to eligible, non-profit organizations that provide health and human service benefits around the world, while improving the quality of life for all. The CFC is the only authorized solicitation of federal employees in their workplace. Contributions go to help find cures for diseases, house and feed those displaced by disaster, rehabilitate Wounded Warriors and take care of the Families of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. In addition to this, individuals gave back to the community by selecting to contribute to the Family Support and youth Programs, which means all contributions for the 2011 campaign will return to the Vicenza Military Community to support quality of life programs and facilities.

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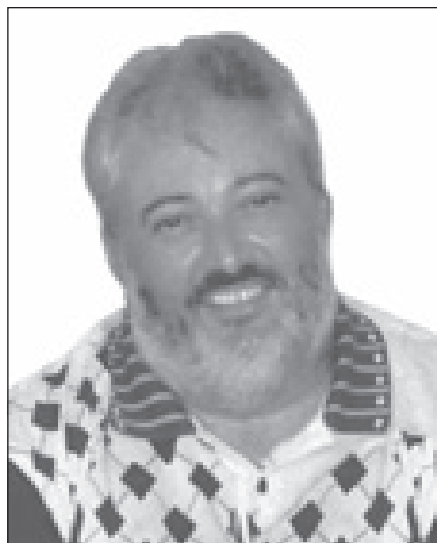
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Maurizio Agnoli

Former LN employee mourned

Retired Directorate of Public Works employee Maurizio Agnoli passed away in the early hours of Sunday morning.

Agnoli started work on post in 1973 as a technician at the DPW utilities branch and later as the Appliance contract evaluator for the Housing Division. He retired after 35 years of service in 2008 and is survived by his wife, Adriana, daughter, Samantha, and son, Davide.

In addition to his professionalism at work, Agnoli had a great passion for cooking and is fondly remembered for some of his culinary delights that he loved to share.

He is mourned by family, friends and former colleagues.

Community Camera



Photos by Laura Kreider

MLK fun run: Above, Master Sgt. Keith Cade, Equal Opportunity advisor, points out the course on a map of post before the race. At right, a group of runners participate in the Martin Luther King Jr. five kilometer Fun Run Saturday. T-shirts were given to the first 40 runners to register and cake was served after the run.



Aviation remembrance:

Above from the left, Doug Thomas, Giuseppe Versolato, president of the Vicenza Frece Tricolori Club and former curator of the Dal Molin Air Museum, Paolo Gozzi, Mayor of Arcugnano and Col. David Buckingham, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza commander talk after a commemoration ceremony held in Arcugnano Dec. 28. At right, authorities render a salute while two Alpini members lay a wreath to honor the fallen aviators at the ceremony.



Courtesy photo



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Arts & Crafts anniversary: Community members, instructors and artists meet during the Arts and Crafts 70th anniversary held at the Arts Center Jan. 12. Activities and “make and take” projects were available at the event.

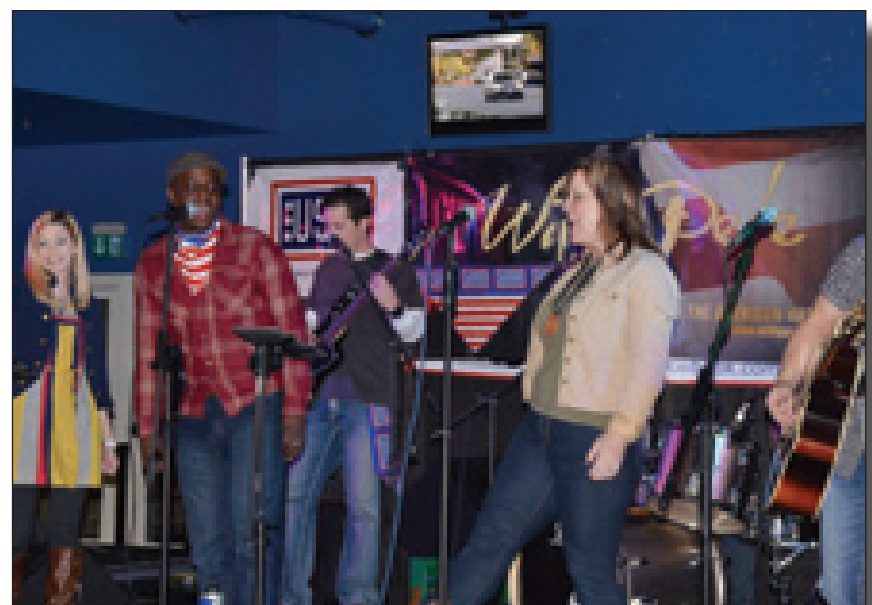


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Willy Pete: The band Willy Pete performed for free at the Arena Jan. 12, thanks to the USO Vicenza. During a break, band members signed autographs and gave out CDs and prizes.

Remembering Gillian Burke

Eulogy delivered by
Lt. Col. Kevin Bigelman
USAG Livorno Commander

At Camp Darby, we all know how easy it is to see people almost every day and still not really know them. It's possible Gillian Burke was such a person for some of you. None of us will ever know all of the ways that her life impacted our community. But impact it she did in a variety of positive ways.

Gillian truly cared for others. She spent her years at Camp Darby serving others in the commissary and PX and serving her fellow employees. Several of her closest friends got together and remembered how Gillian, who loved to cook, would make huge amounts of food and bring it to work for all to share. But more than that, she would make each one feel special by wrapping up food just for that person. One had to be careful though ... while she was known for great apple pie, she was equally



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Camp Darby community members join together at the Chapel to pay tribute to Gillian Burke at a Memorial Ceremony Jan. 11.

famous for burning her toast.

So it's probably a good thing that Gillian also had a great sense of humor whenever the fire department regularly showed up because she had set off the smoke alarms. In fact, Gillian was quite the prankster. She kept an empty egg carton beneath her check-out counter and enjoyed having some fun when an unsuspecting customer, who failed to notice her make the switch, would be surprised when Gillian accidentally dropped the carton of eggs. More than one shoppette customer has had a good laugh when Gillian left her fake \$100 bill on the counter.

We would say that a person like Gillian, who cared for others and had a playful sense of humor, was comfortable with herself and others. In the conclusion to "Walden," Henry David Thoreau writes: "If a man loses pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which

he hears, however measured, or far away."

Except that Gillian didn't step to the beat of a different drummer, she drove. In her ancient, little red car with the yellow headlights and skinny tires. Gillian's little red car had been rained in so often that grass actually grew inside it. Last year during Camp Darby's snow storm she almost made it in all the way to work — almost. She got stuck doing doughnuts in front of the commissary and finally just left her car in the road.

Gillian was comfortable with herself. She genuinely cared for others and she laughed — a lot. In ancient Rome, a statesman named Seneca once said: "Life, if well lived, is long enough." Donors from around the world have given to Gillian's memorial fund. As these donations testify, Gillian's life touched the lives of those with whom she laughed and for whom she cared. Her life, although well-lived, was not long enough. She will be missed.

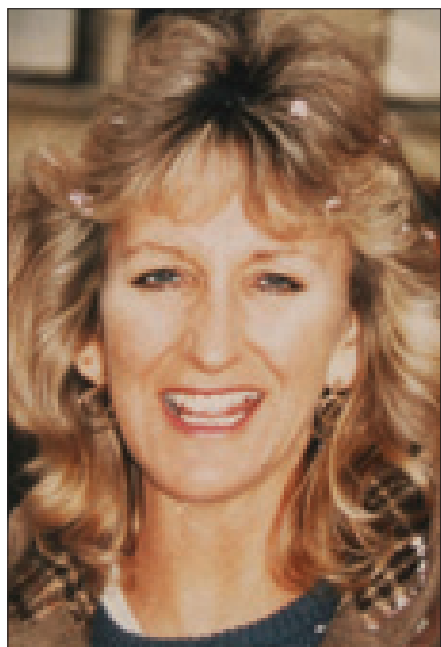


Photo courtesy of Sharon Carter

Gillian Burke enjoying carnival.

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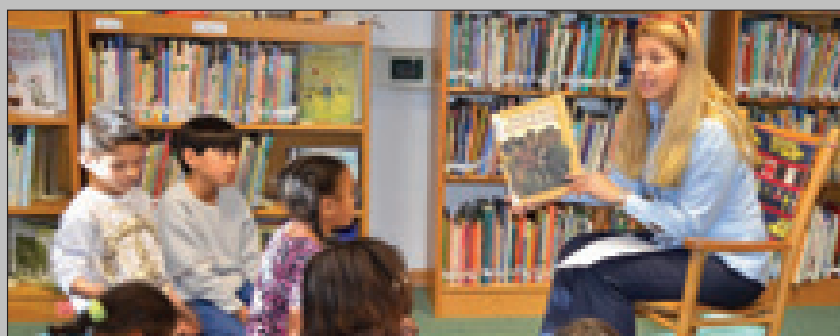


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Learning about Martin Luther King Jr.:

Stephanie Boyanowski, Livorno Unit School librarian, held a class on Martin Luther King Jr. during library time Jan. 12 at the school library. During her lesson, Boyanowski read a book and showed a video on MLK life, all the students diligently took notes and then participated in a question and answer session. Children learned the importance of remembering and honoring Martin Luther King Jr. for leading peace while implementing their summarize and repeat program.



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Now that's what I call olive oil:

Chef Paolo Monti, left, from the Cucina Italian cooking school in Lucca, pours a teaspoon of olive oil for LaKeshia Jones. Monti talked to Camp Darby community members about the various aspects of olive oil and balsamic vinegar during a special demonstration at the Friends of Camp Darby meeting Jan. 11. Friends of Camp Darby, which is open to all Camp Darby community members, takes trips to his cooking school and has started a new wine tasting club, a club that explores restaurants in Tuscany, and a book reading club. To learn more about Friends of Camp Darby visit their Facebook site or follow the link on www.usag.livorno.army.mil.

Darby Dates

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

Hazard Communication Training

633-7318

HAZCOM training will be conducted Jan. 26 at 3 p.m. Participants in this training will learn HAZCOM requirements outlined in OSHA and AR 385-10. This training is required for CDSO/ADSO, and anyone involved in managing their unit/organizational hazardous chemicals or HAZCOM program. Contact the Safety office to register.

Job opening

634-8923

Test examiner substitute position at the Camp Darby Education center is now open immediately until filled.

Salary is \$10 per hour. If you have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university, we will train you. Apply at Central Texas College.

Parent Information

633-7681

- ♦ The next Parent Advisory Council meeting is Jan. 25 at noon you're input is vital to all CYSS programs, so don't miss the opportunity to participate! A light lunch will be served.
- ♦ Parent's Night Out is Jan. 28.

Fitness Center

633-7440

Free fitness orientation on proper techniques or how to train in the proper zone.

ITR

633-7589

Rome Trip, Jan. 28

ODR

633-7775

- ♦ Ski trips to Abetone and Monte Cimone are offered every Saturday in January.
- ♦ Need a ride to the airport? Outdoor Recreation has an Airport Shuttle service provided 7 days a week. Reservation and payment must be made at least 72 hours in advance.

Bowling Alley

633-7458

- ♦ Dollar day bowling every Sunday from 5-9 p.m.
- ♦ Buy ten games and get next one free

Religious Activities

633-7267

9:40 a.m. Catholic reconciliation
10 a.m. Catholic Mass
11:15 a.m. Protestant worship
11:15 a.m. Catholic CCD

Broccolo Fiolaro fest:

In Creazzo, local chefs prepare a variety of dishes using broccoli. See below for more details including live music and food Thursday-Sunday.



Courtesy photo

Local events

Broccolo Fiolaro Festival:

Thursday-Sunday, in Creazzo, Sports center, Via Torino, about five miles west of Vicenza. The broccolo fiolaro is a typical cultivation of the Creazzo hillside area. The name is derived from the presence of several sprouts along the stalk of the plant, which in Venetian dialect are called "fioi" (offsprings). Food booths featuring the typical Creazzo dishes "gnocchi with broccolo" and the traditional fritola (doughnut).

- Thursday: 6:30 p.m. food booths featuring pork with broccolo and other local specialties; 9 p.m. live music with Jani and Dado.

- Friday: 6:30 p.m. food booths featuring gnocchi with broccolo; 9:30 p.m. live music with Arianna Antinori & Turtle Blues (Jani's Joplin tribute band).

- Saturday: 6:30 p.m. food booths open; 9:30 p.m. live reggae music with Pala Live Anima Caribe

- Sunday: 9:30 a.m. local products exhibit and sale; 11:30 a.m. entertainment with G. Verdi Band and Creazzo Majorettes; from noon sampling of broccolo fiolaro specialties; 12:30 p.m. food booths open; 3 p.m. live rock music; 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with the D'Animos Band.

Recioto wine-pressing - I Picai del Recioto:

Sunday, from 11 a.m., in Montorso Vicentino, Villa Da Porto, Via Luigi da Porto, about 10 miles west of Vicenza. Recioto is the main DOC wine of the area. Its unique nature is conferred by the careful selection of the grapes and drying of the bunches in cases or hung in the characteristic "picai" manner, in well-aired environment. Its sweetness makes it particularly suitable for desserts. Folk parade and live music. Food booths featuring the Gambellara sweet Brasadello and other typical local products.

Motor Bike Expo Show:

Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Verona, Via del Lavoro, 8,

about 38 miles west of Vicenza. Admission fee: €16 euro; €13 for children ages between 6 and 12. For more details in English visit <http://www.motorbikeexpo.it/inglese/index.htm>.

International Dog Show:

Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Padova, Via Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. This competition brings together more than 700 of the finest pedigreed dogs from all over the world. Admission fee: €8. Free entrance for children under 12.

"Antiquaria" Antique Show and Market:

Ongoing through Sunday, Thursday-Friday 3-8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-8 p.m., in Pordenone, Viale Treviso, 1, about 92 miles northeast of Vicenza. Furniture, paintings, antique artifacts, jewelry and many curiosities and rarities. Admission fee: €10. Free for children under 17.

Nativity Sets Exhibit:

Bassano del Grappa, in Piazza Garibaldi, ongoing through Jan. 29, weekends and Italian holidays, 2:30-6:30 p.m.

Lugo di Vicenza, Madonna Pellegrina Church, Via Volpente, ongoing through Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Verona, ongoing through Sunday, daily at the Arena, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. It features more than 400 nativity scenes from around the world. Entrance fee: €7; reduced cost of €6 for children 6-12 and senior citizens older than 60.

Ice-skating rinks

Vicenza: open through Feb. 12, Campo Marzo, Saturdays-Sundays and holidays 9 a.m.-noon and 3-8 p.m.; weekdays 3-8 p.m. Entrance fee: Monday-Friday: €7 and €5 for children younger than 12 (fees include ice-skate rental); €3 entrance only; Saturdays-Sundays and holidays €9; €7 for children younger than 12 (fees include ice-skate rental); and €3 entrance only.

Padova: Ice-energy, Sports Center Plebiscito, Via Geremia

Guglielmo, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Open until May 5. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 5-7 p.m. and 9-11 p.m.; Saturdays and holidays 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; 2-8 p.m., and 9-12 p.m.; Sundays 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-8 p.m. Entrance fee: €7 weekdays, reduced €5 for children up to 12 years old; €9 euro weekends and reduced €7. Skate rental is €4.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Wood for Africa - charity art exhibit:

Wednesday through Jan. 20, noon-9 p.m. in Vicenza, Spazio Interiors by Enrico Zola, Contrà San Silvestro 34.

Caravaggio, Lippi, and Bronzino art exhibit:

Ongoing through Feb. 5, in Vicenza, Palazzo Thiene, Contrà San Gaetano. Tuesday-Friday 3-7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Ceramics exhibition:

Ongoing through Feb. 19, in Vicenza, Casa Cogollo, Corso Palladio 165. Tuesday-Sunday 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-7 p.m.

Live concert with the conservatory students:

Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, Conservatory, Contrà San Domenico 33.

Yoga - free demo lesson:

Monday, in San Germano dei Berici, Mauna Center, Via Ghenzo.

Fourback in concert - 1962-1970 Beatles' songs:

Saturday, 10 p.m., in Lonigo, Bar Verdi, Viale della Vittoria.

BOSS trips

Ski/Snowboard trips:

Jan. 21 Mystery trip
Jan. 28 in San Martino
Feb. 4 in Obereggen
Feb. 11 Mystery trip
Feb. 18 in Folgaria
Feb. 25 in Alta Badia
March 3 in Brixen
March 16-18 Dolomiti Superski

Know of an event we're missing? Email us at editor@eur.army.mil

Sporting events

American Wrestling:

Feb. 18, in Grugliasco (Torino)

Motocross Freestyle Night of the Jumps:

March 2-3, in Torino

Fim X Trial Indoor World Championship:

March 17, in Assago (Milan)

WWE Raw Wrestlemania - Revenge Tour:

April 18, 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/> or <http://www.zedlive.com>.

Concerts

Johnny Winter: Feb. 26 in Padova

Simple Minds: Feb. 28 in Milan
James Taylor and his band: March 24 in Padova

Lorenna McKennitt: April 16 in Padova

Allan Holdsworth Band: May 23 in Milan

Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band: June 7 in Milan

Black Sabbath: June 24 in Rho (Milan)

Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers: June 29 in Lucca

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/>.

ODR trips

Tortellini, wine and olive oil tasting: Jan. 25

San Martino ski and snowboard trip: Jan. 28

Florence and the Accademia Gallery: Jan. 28

Obereggen ski and snowboard trip: Feb. 4

Pisa and Certosa of Calci: Feb. 4

San Marino: Feb. 5

Siena and Arezzo: Feb. 11

Ski and snowboard Folgaria: Feb. 11

Venice Carnival: Feb. 12

Basel, Comel, Strasbourg, Nancy (Switzerland and France): Feb. 17

Mystery ski/snowboarding trip: Feb. 18

Venice Carnival: Feb. 18

Ducati and Maserati tour: Feb. 20

Alta Badia ski/snowboard trip: Feb. 25

Piedmont wine country/western Italy: Feb. 25

Parma and Pavia: Feb. 25

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

Thursday	A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	Jack and Jill (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	Immortals (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Jack and Jill (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Contraband (R)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Jack and Jill (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Contraband (R)	6 p.m.
Wed.	Immortals (R)	6 p.m.
Jan. 26	Immortals (R)	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	Happy Feet 2 (PG)	6 p.m.
	J. Edgar (R)	9 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Jan. 27	J. Edgar (R)	6 p.m.
Jan. 28	Joyful Noise (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Jan. 29	Happy Feet 2 (PG)	1 p.m.
Feb. 3	TBA	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

The Veterinary Clinic will be open Saturday. Bring your pet for annual vaccines, micro chipping, or health certificates. Due to limited time, 8 a.m.-noon, there are no sick calls or emergencies seen. Call 635-4841.

CYSS

The Youth and Teen Centers are conducting a Pet Food Drive until Feb. 17. Bring dog or cat food to the Villaggio Youth Center or the Caserma Teen Center 2:45-6 p.m. or drop your donation at the bin in the commissary. All donated items benefit the local Animal Shelter Gogna. Call 634-7659 for more information.

It's Lock-In for 6th graders Jan. 27-28. Fun includes swimming, bowling, snacks and games all night long. Call 634-7659 for information.

Soldiers' Theatre

Music Café celebrates its second anniversary Friday at 7:30 p.m. Enjoy a free evening relaxing with other music lovers and enjoy light snacks and refreshments while listening to local musicians. You can even join the fun on stage. Call 634-7281 to express your interest in performing.

Arts and Crafts Center

Italian Cooking Classes are back beginning Friday. Learn the secrets of pasta and sauces plus recipes for fish, meats and vegetables in the four-week class where you get to eat what you make. Call 634-7074 or register on online.

Learn the basics of Quilting in this six-week evening class taught by a local quilter Dana Brue. Class begins Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Call 634-7074 for more information.

Beginning Drawing starts Wednesday. Class runs from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. so bring a brown bag lunch for the first 20-30 minutes while Daisey explains techniques, supplies and more. The last hour will be hands on work with pencil and charcoal. Call 634-7074 for more information on these and other exciting classes coming up.

CTC registration

Come get registered for Term 3 at Central Texas College in our new location, building 113, room 6. This term CTS is offering two Early Childhood courses, including CDEC 1335: Early Childhood Development: 3 to 5 years from Feb. 4-25 on Saturdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m. They will also be offering CJSA 1322: Introduction to Criminal Justice from Monday-March 14 on Mondays & Wednesdays from 5:30-8:45 p.m. For more information, call 634-6514, email vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu, or visit room 6 in the Education Center.

Library

Every Wednesday, come hear stories, sing songs and make a craft at the library for Pre-School Story Time. Fun begins at 11 a.m.

USARAF FRG

U.S. Army Africa is having a

Family Movie Day Jan. 27 from 2-5 p.m. at the post movie theater. All employees of USARAF and their Families are invited for free popcorn and drink. A "G" rated movie will be shown. RSVP by Jan. 26 to Sylena Schendel at sylena.schendel@us.army.mil or call 634-5571 and include the number in your Family.

The U.S. Army Africa Family Readiness Group will be meeting Feb. 7 in the Arena from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch will be free along with free child care for those enrolled through Parent Central Services. Michael Olin will be the guest speaker on the topic of Family safety. Door prizes given away. RSVP to Sylena Schendel at sylena.schendel@us.army.mil or call 634-5571.

Arena

Head over to the Lion's Den Friday with your best costume representation of your hometown. Meet others from your home state and compete in a trivia game against the other states. Enjoy the fun and win prizes too!

Wicked Wings Festival at the Arena weekends during the NFL Playoff Season. Americans consumed more than 13.5 billion wings last year, 1.25 million during Super Bowl Weekend. Enjoy the #1 appetizer served up at the Arena, wickedly, wacked, wicked wings. Wicked Wings Festival specials are available Sunday and for the Feb. 5 Super bowl XLVI. If you can say "Wickedly, Wacked, Wicked Wings Weekend Combo" five-times fast, you'll be entered in the drawing to win one. Wicked wings are available on and off the bone. You just gotta come in and "Wing It"!

Watch the biggest game of the year from the sidelines! Enjoy Super Bowl XLVI on February 5 at the Lion's Den. Projected on their 10 ft. screen, you'll feel like you're sitting in front row seats. The evening is chock full of games & prizes and a special \$10 buffet. For more information, contact the

Lion's Den at 634-8257.

Personal finance course

The course, starting Jan. 31, is designed to remove the stress that comes with financial problems by helping you put together a spending plan, get out of debt, secure an emergency fund, and confidently invest for the future.

Register for this free 13-week program by calling the chapel at 634-7519.

AFTB training

Army Family Team Building is offering Levels 1, 2, and 3 online. To access the classes, go to <https://www.myarmyonesource.com/FamilyProgramsandServices/FamilyPrograms/ArmyFamilyTeamBuilding/default.aspx>.

The next step in the program, the Instructors class will be offered quarterly in a classroom setting at ACS. The next Instructor's training is scheduled for March. Contact the AFTB Program Manager at 0444-71-7942 for details.

MOMS Club events

Bunco, Thursday
Walk the track, Friday at 10 a.m.
Play group, Monday at 10 a.m.
Monthly Meeting with clothing swap, Jan. 30 at 10 a.m. To participate in the swap you need to be a current member.

For further information about the events, contact MOMS Club at momsclubofvicenza@yahoo.com.

Ed Center move

The USAG Education Center has moved from building L958 to building 113 (the old clinic), located across the street from the new health center, on 9th Street. They are still in the process of setting up classrooms, so they may start class this term in the old building until all the work is complete. All other services (counselors, administration and school representatives are located in building 113. Hours of

operation are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information call 634-8933 or email at vicenza.edcenter@us.army.mil.

Protestant Women of the Chapel

Calling all ladies — join PWOC this winter at the chapel as we continue to celebrate, "Your Kingdom Come." The group will run through May 15. For more info, email Vicenza@pwoc.org or find them on Facebook by searching for PWOC Vicenza Italy.

On Tuesday mornings from 9-11:30 a.m. there will be Bible studies, music, food, friends, free child care for children ages 3 and under. The Bible studies will be either one 14-week study or two 6-week studies.

14-week studies (January-May): Living on the Edge by Chip Ingram, Crazy Love by Francis Chan, Hope for the Homefront by Marshelle Carter Waddell, The Five Love Languages for Children by Gary Chapman. 6-week study #1 (January-March) A Modern Girl's Guide to Bible Study by Jen Hatmaker, Parenting Isn't for Cowards by Dr. James Dobson

Wednesday evenings from 5:30-7 p.m. is "Spiritual Gifts" Precept study by Kay Arthur Fellowship. No homework. Dinner provided at the chapel.

Food Handler's Course

The Food Handler's course has changed its time and location. The new time will be 10 a.m. in the Pediatrics Class Room of the Vicenza Health Center. Class will be conducted on the third Tuesday of each month. For more information contact Staff Sgt. Craig Brown at 636-9516 or email craig.brown4@amedd.army.mil.

Free legal help

Navigating the MEB-PEB process is complicated, but free legal help is available. Visit the USAG Vicenza website at www.usag.vicenza.army.mil and click on "Hot Topics" to read the article.

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.

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.

Protestant Confirmation

— for young people ages 12-18 from liturgical Protestant backgrounds such as Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, Presbyterian and Reformed. The 9-week Confirmation experience is from February-April. For more information, contact Dr. Grace Yeuell at grace.yeuell@eur.army.mil or call 634-7890 or 0444-71-7890.

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



Photo by Laura Kreider

Italian National Honor Society induction: Twelve new members were presented during a ceremony held at the Vicenza High School Dec. 6 by the VHS Andrea Palladio Chapter of the Italian National Honor Society.

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.

Multiple groups earn Snow Sport badges

Story and photo by Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

During the school winter recess, eight Boy Scouts were able to earn their Snow Sport Merit Badge by partnering with the CYSS EDGE! program and Outdoor Recreation. The classroom sessions taught by Chris Wolff and Tim Franklin covered winter survival skills, snowboard and ski instruction, proper equipment, care of equipment, reporting ski accidents on the slope, avalanche precautions and trail marking systems.

The final session for the participants took place Dec. 23 with an all day ODR trip to the Paganelli ski area near Trento. Tim Franklin taught the alpine skiers wedges, wedge turns, christies, full christy stops and traversing the slopes. The snowboarders learned forward-fall injuries, J-turns, side slip, full turns, traversing, and how to control speed and directions from Chris Wolff.

Qualifying for the Scout Snow Sport Merit Badge were Nathan Couch, Kameron Curtis, Anuk Kavan Dayaprema, Gabriel Dionne, Whitaker Franklin, Carleton Hardy, Jose Mendez and Spencer Smith.

The only girl registered in the program was Dagny Hardy, who completed all the skills and improved on every run as the day progressed.

On the return trip from the 2,200 meter mountain, Wolff said, "I feel privileged to have influenced the next generation of skiers and snowboarders. I hope someday they will all be able to pass up our instructors."

CYSS and ODR have a full schedule of trips for both adults and youth that began in December. Check the Garrison Marketing Calendar, CYSS Webtrac, or the CYSS and ODR offices for more information.



Participants in the Snow Sport Merit Badge program listen to instructions at Paganelli Dec. 23. Nine youths were taught turns, stops and injuries from two different instructors.

Sports shorts

Adult swim lessons

Adult advance beginner swim lessons meets Tuesdays and Thursdays until Feb 2. Adults with little or no swim experience can learn the front and back float, and the front and back crawl.

Adult Intermediate Lessons are available on Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:45-6:30 p.m. This class is for adults wishing to improve confidence in the water and develop front and back crawl strokes and begin learning the breast stroke and side crawl. Call 634-8642 for information.

Lunch hour fitness

Does your lunch hour need more excitement? Come join the Fitness Staff for the "Game of the Week" each Thursday afternoon at noon. Reminisce while you play old school recess games such as four square and kickball. The new game for each week will be posted at the Fitness Center on Tuesday.

Unit & rec play

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

Rugby: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-7:30 p.m., North 40 field.

Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 10 or more, Fitness Center.

Racquetball: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 16 participants, 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: (not currently meeting) 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 12 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email sr_brasher@yahoo.com or call 634-8925.

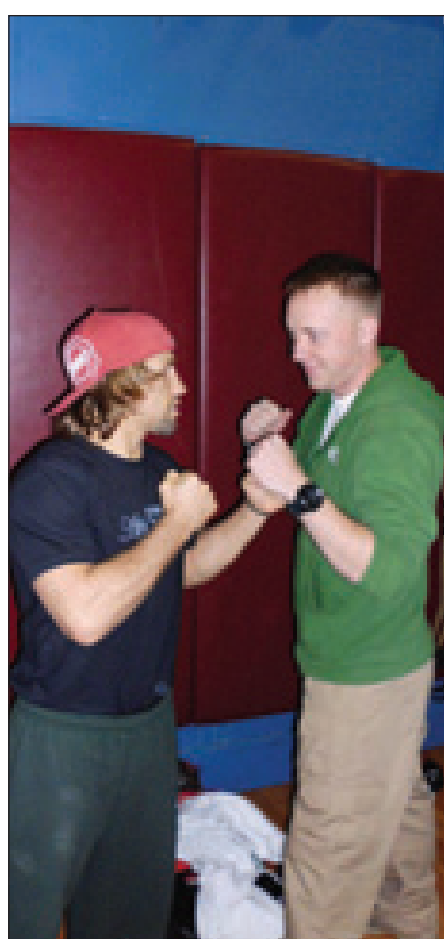
Volleyball: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays for eight or more, Fitness Center.

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

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

Volunteers needed

The Mako Sharks Swim Team is looking for adult volunteers to assist. Swimmers are elementary-high school ages and compete in the European Forces Swim League. For more info., contact John Casey at 0444-91-2612 or email john.j.casey@us.army.mil. Visit <http://mako-sharks.homestead.com/index.html>.



Photos by Julie M. Lucas

UFC in Italy: At left, Ultimate Fighting Championship competitors Clay "The Carpenter" Guida, Octagon Girl Brittney Palmer and Urijah "The California Kid" Faber sign autographs for fans Dec. 17 at the post gym. Above, Faber poses for a photo with a fan after holding a fighting demonstration and clinic.