

USAREUR CG visits Caserma Ederle



From right, USAREUR Commanding General Lt. Gen. Mark Hertling, Installation Management Command-Europe Region Director Kathleen Marin, and Sue Hertling meet with DoDEA Teacher of the Year Angela Wilson, during their visit to the Vicenza Military Community Monday. The Hertlings and Marin visited the Vicenza Elementary and Middle Schools, lunched with Soldiers and toured Army Community Service programs where they met with Families. General Hertling also visited with Soldiers of the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team.

Story and photo by USAG Vicenza PAO

Meeting the Soldiers, civilians and Families of the Vicenza military community was the central focus for this week's visit by U.S. Army Europe Commanding General Lt. Gen. Mark P. Hertling and his wife, Sue. Accompanying them for the Monday to Tuesday morning visit was Installation Management Command-Europe Region Director Kathleen Marin. This was the

second time Lt. Gen. Hertling was able to spend time at Caserma Ederle during a round of community visits since taking command of USAREUR and Seventh Army in March 2011.

"It's a community visit to one of our great European locations — our garrisons that are doing so much to support our Soldiers and their Families and the civilians," Lt. Gen. Hertling said. "I've been to Vicenza a couple of times and every time I come here I'm more and

more impressed by what goes on down here in terms of supporting our great Army family."

During the visit, Lt. Gen. Hertling also met Sky Soldiers of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and was briefed by the 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment and 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment.

First stop for the community tour was the Vicenza Elementary School and Vicenza Middle School. There,

Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Hertling toured the school, talked with students about their experiences and met with Department of Defense Dependent Schools Teacher of the Year Angela Wilson.

"It was not only impressive meeting with Ms. Wilson, as the teacher of the year, but prior to meeting with her, we met with about six of her students. And ... they turned on as soon as we even mentioned her name and some of the

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Vicenza Community Club hosts Ciao Conference Feb. 24

Vicenza Community Club

One of the most commonly used words in the Italian language, ciao, in Italian means hello and goodbye, but on Feb. 24, it's used for a personal and professional enrichment conference. At the conference, participants will get a little taste of culture and community along with an Italian multi-course luncheon, and great opportunities for prizes and give-a-ways.

Vicenza Community Club's Ciao Conference, started in 1998, offers 15 classes in three different sessions, including Italian cooking by Dai Gelosi chefs, wine tasting and pairing by Pignole Winery, decorating and entertaining by Aly Rohling and more. Leadership from Americans Working Around the Globe, which is co-sponsoring the event, will provide classes on

communication and negotiation, developing an attitude of gratitude, and also undergoing a professional makeover.

The event is scheduled from 8 a.m.-2:20 p.m. Dai Gelosi Restaurant in Valproto di Quinto Vicentino will serve pastries and coffee at breakfast, and for lunch, two main courses including vegetarian options, wine, coffee and dessert. The fee is \$30. It covers classes, luncheon, participation in prize drawings (including Biasia purses, ceramics from Nove and a massage from Beauty Secrets), free transportation and half the cost of daycare. Roundtrip bus transportation will leave the Shoppette parking lot at 8 a.m. Feb. 24 or the Villaggio school parking lot at 8:15 a.m. The bus will leave the restaurant at 2:20 p.m. to accommodate parents of school aged children.

Check with the Vicenza Child Development Center for available slots between 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. on the day of the conference by calling 0444-71-5008 or visit CDC 3998. Let them know that you will be attending the Ciao Conference and that cost is \$15, payable to the VCC (the VCC covers the other half).

Make a reservation by dropping off a payment of \$30 in the VCC drop box located in front of the thrift Shop by Monday. For reserved childcare, include an additional \$15. Ensure your name and email address is on the envelope or use the form available at the thrift shop. After payment is received, the VCC will send registrants a link via email for online class selection. Contact Kaarin Engelmann, the Ciao Conference coordinator, at ciao@vccitaly.org with additional questions.

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The U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza will have limited operations Friday and Monday.

Presidents are leaders to be remembered

Presidents Day is an opportunity for us to remember and honor our past commanders-in-chiefs. Each of them have led our nation during challenging times, and their composite leadership has contributed to our nation being what it is today.

As I reflect on the many stories and achievements of our presidents, there is one that clearly stands out. It's the story of Dwight D. Eisenhower, the 34th President of the United States, and one of several who served as president and as a member of the military. "Ike" served as Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces for the invasion of



Europe during World War II (wearing the patch we proudly wear today which designates USAREUR), and he served as president from 1953 to 1961, a time when the Cold War was just beginning. He understood challenging, complex and difficult situations.

President Eisenhower once said, "Our real problem, then, is not our strength today; it is rather the vital necessity of action today to ensure our strength tomorrow."

He had a way of seeing the big picture and he understood that the actions we take today, as leaders, will help prepare us for the uncertainties of tomorrow. He was a true example of what leaders should strive to be. He was a professional, rooted his actions in values, and he had concern and care

for people that was exemplary.

Leaders at all levels, from squad leader to platoon sergeant, from platoon leader to battalion commander, from command sergeants major to lieutenant general, must always know their actions today will contribute to shaping our Army and our nation's future for tomorrow.

As you celebrate Presidents Day, take time to reflect on what type of leader you are today and how you are using your unique skills to shape the Army – and the nation – that we all want tomorrow.

Have a safe and enjoyable Presidents Day weekend. Strong Soldiers, Strong Teams!

- Lt. Gen. Mark P. Hertling
Commanding General,
U.S. Army Europe

Villaggio access change for Saturday morning



USAG DPTMS

Observe a slightly modified traffic flow when entering and exiting Villaggio Saturday from 6-10 a.m. Guards will be posted to direct traffic during scheduled barrier maintenance at the Villaggio gate. Normal entry and exit will resume after 10 a.m. For more info, call Directorate of Emergency Services Physical Security Office 0444-71-6744/8521 or Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection 0444-71-8984 during duty hours or the MP desk sergeant during non-duty hours 0444-71-7626.

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names of the other teachers they had there," the general said. "It's a phenomenal experience for those young people to not only see the kind of things that are going on here at the Vicenza Elementary and Middle and High School, but also to have teachers like they have that are extremely dedicated."

After lunch with community members at the South of the Alps Dining Facility, Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Hertling spent a good portion of the afternoon with Families at Army Community Service in Davis Hall. There the general and his wife met with young parents in the New Parent Support Program, were briefed about Exceptional Family Member Program activities in Vicenza, and learned the Italy unique aspects of the Relocation Program.

The following day, after attending a community prayer breakfast, Lt. Gen. Hertling met with Soldiers, civilians and Family members in the Vicenza military community in a community forum in the

Post Theater, where he shared his perspective as USAREUR CG and entertained questions from the audience.

"It's always important when you're experiencing change, and we are in the final throes of the USAREUR transformation that has been going on for about eight years... it's important... to get out in front and tell people what's happening, tell them the latest, allow them to ask questions," the general explained.

Lt. Gen. Hertling summed up his visit to the garrison and brigade, saying "it's been phenomenal in terms of meeting new people, seeing new things, talking with not only Soldiers but Family members, seeing what's going on down here, having everyone talk to me about how caring this community is. There are still some challenges, there are some things we have to work through, but we'll address those items and I'm just thankful that we have such a vibrant and healthy and energetic community down here."

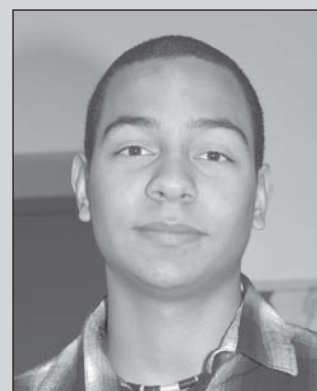


Photo by Spc. Michael Sword

Lt. Gen. Mark Hertling, commanding general of U.S. Army Europe, greets the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team's Command Sgt. Maj. Samuel Coston, left, and commander, Col. Andrew Rohling, during a visit to the brigade's headquarters in Vicenza, Monday. While visiting Caserma Ederle, Hertling, along with his wife, Sue, visited Soldiers and Family members at Army Community Service and held a community forum for the community.

Speak Out

What is your favorite thing about Carnival?



Brice Fisher
VHS

"My favorite thing is the food, specifically the Frittelle. I like the cream they use inside of them."



Marshall Perfetti
VHS

"My favorite thing is the feeling of unity that I got marching through the crowded streets of Venice or Malo, throwing confetti."



Maya Zaborek
VHS

"My favorite thing about Carnival is the food, most of all the frittelle and the crostoli."

By Laura Kreider

772nd CST supports medical training exercise

Story and photo by Sgt. Terysa M. King
USARAF PAO

ZANZIBAR, Tanzania – Members of the 772nd Civil Support Team, 7th Civil Support Command, concluded their two-week mission of providing command and control, liaison capability and event support for a 16-member medical team during a Medical Readiness and Training Exercise known as MEDRETE 12, here Jan. 30-Feb. 12.

On the tiny island of Zanzibar, situated off the coast of Tanzania, U.S. and host nation medical teams collaborated to conduct ophthalmology care and sutureless cataract surgery at the Bububu Military Hospital in order to foster greater interoperability and civil humanitarian assistance. To execute this mission, U.S. Army Africa partnered with the U.S. State Department Country Team, the Tanzanian Peoples Defense Forces and the Tanzanian Ministry of Health.

“The Americans are here to help us. This event is for the people of Zanzibar. When the Americans leave we have to continue to provide care for our people,” said Brig. Gen. Adam Mbulanga, TPDF Surgeon General.

The U.S. team of medical professionals deployed to the tiny African island to get valuable real-world training while providing medical services to citizens in need of treatment. MEDRETE 12 provided U.S. forces an opportunity to partner and build relationships and capabilities with host nation medical providers in unique and challenging environments. During the first week alone, the medical team screened nearly 3,300 patients, fitted more than 1,900 patients with adaptive eyewear and conducted 245 cataract surgeries.

While the medical team provided the people of Zanzibar with needed ophthalmology care and treatment, members of the 772nd CST provided the necessary command and control for the MEDRETE mission.

“We served as the mission advanced party, received and pre-positioned the medical equipment, set up lodging, and handled the all the administrative, logistical and operational aspects so the medical team can completely focus on helping the people of Zanzibar,” said Capt. Kevin M. Czarkowski, the 772nd CST team chief.

The other members of the 772nd team were: 1st. Lt. Roy Reynolds, 1st. Sgt. Christopher M. Constantino, and Spc. Nicole Hodge.

“The reception from the people of Tanzania has been extremely positive. As time went on and the word starting getting around to the villages, more and more people were showing up at the hospital,” said Czarkowski.

One 772nd CST member who gained more from the mission than she expected was Hodge. As an Army medic and a civilian emergency medical technician, Hodge deployed as part of the command group, but



Photo by Sgt. Terysa M. King

Spc. Nicole Hodge, a medic with the 772nd Civil Support Team, 7th Civil Support Command, prepares syringes prior to cataract surgery during a Medical Readiness and Training Exercise in Zanzibar, Tanzania. Jan. 30-Feb. 12, Tanzanian and U.S. Army medical providers worked together to not only improve working relationships, but also provide medical services to citizens in need of treatment. Local citizens traveled to the Zanzibar Military Hospital in Bububu to obtain free cataracts surgery.

spent her time assisting in the operating room. With no previous ophthalmology experience, much less ophthalmological surgery, Hodge joined the medical team and gained valuable experience while assisting in the operating room performing before and after operation screening and care.

“The people we helped were very friendly and grateful for the services we provided. Most Zanzibarians are farmers and rely on bartering to get the things they need. If they can’t see, they can’t earn their livelihood or provide for themselves,” said Hodge. “It is nice to see the Army doing a humanitarian mission that helps people.”

Hodge currently teaches an EMT course for Central Texas College in Vicenza and has aspirations to enter the Army Physician Assistants program and specialize in emergency medicine.

While a 20-person team may seem small for such an important mission, it is part of an overall strategy, said Czarkowski.

“The strategy is to have a small, unobtrusive footprint and work with the host nation Ministry of Health doctors to not only provide the much needed care, but also build their capacity to provide ophthalmology care to the people of Tanzania,” said Czarkowski.

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Volunteer Spotlight Soldiers' Theatre



Sarah Pfeffer is the outstanding youth community volunteer for January, nominated by Soldiers' Theatre. Pfeffer is a sophomore at Vicenza High School and this year she participated as a performer in the annual holiday show that demanded tremendous commitment and dedication.

“She is mature beyond her years and serves as a positive role model to other performers and technicians through her total professionalism in all her endeavors,” according to Allie Vallery, ACS Volunteer Corps Program manager. “She inspires other cast members of all ages, displays a wealth of talent and creativity in her roles and has volunteered to assist in productions in many capacities.”

To suggest a new staff member or volunteer to be featured in *The Outlook*, email us at editor@eur.army.mil.

Community Camera

U.S., Malian military medics train to save lives

by Sgt. Mark A. Henderson
128th MPAD, Utah Army National Guard

MOPTI, MALI — Medical expertise was shared with their Malian medical defense forces counterparts by Soldiers of the 807th Medical Deployment Support Command, Fort Douglas, Utah, during Atlas Accord12 in Mopti, Mali, Feb. 7-15.

This annual-joint-aerial-delivery exercise, hosted by U.S. Army Africa, brings together U.S. Army personnel with militaries in Africa to enhance air drop capabilities and ensure effective delivery of military resupply materials and humanitarian aid.

Doctors and medics from both militaries are seizing this unique opportunity to expand on training.

While here in Mali, the 807th medics were asked by Malian Army Col. Youssouf Treore, commander of the medical detachment in Mopti, to aid Malian medical personnel in the use of supplies they received from U.S. forces several years ago.

Treore said the supplies are very practical, easy to use, and helpful to the Malian Medical Defense Forces.

We are training with the Malian medical personnel on different types of equipment that include cervical braces, finger splints, ring cutters, pressure bandages, back boards and more, said Maj. Dean A. Nelson, a family physician assigned to the 328th CSH, 807th MDSC. These Malian soldiers and medical personnel have on-the-job training, so it is very rewarding to show them and see their excitement when we demonstrate the proper use of the equipment, said Sgt. La Tonia R. Luna, an 807th MDSC Army healthcare specialist.

American medical personnel gained experience from working with the Malians.

"I learned they do a lot with a little," said Staff Sgt. Anthony P. Baca, an 807th MDSC Army healthcare specialist. "I don't know how they handle trauma situations but, it's impressive how they do it."

Training will help our medics become better since they are teaching the Malians through interpreters and have to move slowly and ensure they are understood; it gives them a better understanding of the training they are providing, said Lt. Col. David H. Moikeha, an emergency physician, assigned to the 94th Combat Support Hospital, 807th MDSC.

Baca said he is impressed with the willingness to learn of both militaries.

The Malians asked very good questions and were curious about the use of the equipment and now they know how to use it to help their patients, Luna said.

Helping patients recover is important to the people, Treore said.

"We receive so much trauma from highway accidents, military and civilian," he said. "The equipment we have will help us care for the trauma patients we receive at our level."

Treore added he was grateful for the experience. "I appreciate the cooperation with the U.S. Army," he said. "(The training) is very practical and it will help us face all of our needs."



Above, Malian Medical Defense Forces Col. Youssouf Traore, practices the use of a ring cutter on Sgt. La Tonia R. Luna, 807th Medical Detachment Support Command, during a medical equipment demonstration in Mopti, Mali, Feb. 7. The 807th MDSC were in Mali as medical support for the Atlas Accord 12 exercise. At left, Staff Sgt. Anthony P. Baca, a healthcare specialist assigned to the 807th Medical Deployment Support Command, Fort Douglas, Utah, explains the use of trousers designed to help prevent hypotension to Malian Medical Defense Forces in Mopti, Mali, Feb. 7.

Photos by Spc. Kimberly Trumbull



Photos by Julie M. Lucas

Prayer Breakfast: Above, members of the Vicenza military community bow their heads in prayer during the Prayer Breakfast held Tuesday. At right, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Commander Col. David Buckingham served as guest speaker during the prayer breakfast.



Helping those who can't help themselves

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

When temperatures plummet in Tuscany, be sure to think of all of those who might need extra attention. Rather there are those without a voice for whom a blanket can make a huge difference. The Kennel "Rifugio Tom" in Quattrostrade is home to more than 350 abandoned dogs, each needing love, care and comfort.

According to Chiara Chelossi, USAG Livorno Safety Office and avid dog lover, Camp Darby community members can make a difference.

"I learn about this kennel from the news on the local television and they were talking about the serious damages the recent heavy snow caused to the building roof, and how the animals were in need of anything to keep them warm," said Chelossi.

She found out that the Rifugio was in need of blankets, bed sheets, towels or anything that can keep the animals warm (though not comforters because the animals destroy them and the inside is a potential choking hazard for them). Also needed are disinfecting soaps, plastic bags and dry or canned food.

"If we cannot take care of a dog we can always sponsor a particular dog. From our home we can supply a specific dog with food and funds to help him, and we can also visit him whenever we want," said Chelossi.

A volunteer at the kennel explained that while some of the dogs may be somehow traumatized either physically or



Chiara Chelossi, USAG Livorno, plays with a homeless puppy at the Pisa homeless dog shelter, "Rifugio Tom", after dropping off donated food and blankets.

psychologically and are in bad need of tenderness and care, others are better off at the kennel, but they still need help and support.

"Even if I can't adopt a dog I know I can still do something to better their lives," Chelossi said.

If you have items you can donate, Chelossi is volunteering to collect and deliver the goods which can be dropped in her office at headquarters rear. Chiara can be contacted at 633-7841 for more details.

Darby Dates

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

African American Heritage Food Tasting

633-8667

Join in celebrating African American Heritage month during the food tasting event, Feb. 24, 6 p.m. at the DCC. Volunteers to cook and set up are still needed. Contact EO for details.

Club Beyond Luncheon

633-7261

Club Beyond is looking for anyone who is willing to help cook/prepare, set-up, or serve for the Club Beyond Donation fund raiser Feb. 23. The lunch will be from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in Mertz Hall. They will be serving pulled pork sandwiches and some tasty sides. The high school students are trying to raise money for the Romania Service Project this summer.

National Children's Dental Health

633-7461

The Livorno Dental Clinic will be offering limited appointments for all middle school and elementary school-aged children Feb. 27-March 2. There will be dedicated appointment times for comprehensive exams and cleanings for the children after school hours. Space is limited so contact the dental clinic for an appointment.

Parent's Night Out / Game Day

633-7681

- ♦ School Age Center Game Day, Feb. 25 from 2-5:30 p.m.
- ♦ Parent's Night Out for CDC & SAC, Feb. 25 from 5:45-11 p.m.
- ♦ Youth Center Game Day / Kick Back Night Feb. 25 from 2-5:30 p.m. free event with plenty of fun games planned for indoor and outdoor play. After 5:45 p.m., the Kick Back night starts with even more fun.

ITR

633-7589

- ♦ Bus transportation to Viareggio Carnival, Feb. 19, 26
- ♦ Pistoia Zoo, Feb. 25

ODR

633-7775

Ski trips every Saturday.

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

Thrift store gives back to community with aid

By Nicole Marquez
Special to the Outlook

Camp Darby, it's servicemembers, and spouses have an organization that has distributed countless dollars, volunteers, and scholarships to their community.

The Friends of Camp Darby is a nonprofit organization that has been built, by-in-large, to bridge the gap between military services on post, and the needs of the community. The organization's board is 100-percent volunteer. They oversee the community thrift store, "A Second Glance."

At a minimum, 70 percent of the thrift store's gains are donated directly back to the Darby community, resulting in over

\$16,000 being donated annually. When people donate to the thrift store, or even consign, it goes a long way.

The Friends of Camp Darby are able to gift and award servicemembers and Families money for schooling, provide equipment to the PTSO, offer funding assistance for DARE, and other projects that are important to the community at large. Many military community projects need financial assistance and the club bridges the gap.

What happens to the other 30 percent? It goes to funding the Friends of Camp Darby's operating costs such as organization insurance, wages for thrift store clerk, and the surplus goes right

back into the community to facilitate events for its members.

So, if you have some items you would like to sell on consignment (a small fraction of your sale goes back to FCD) or you would like to donate your used or unused items, they would love to have them. It gives us a chance to continue to give back to this community.

Second Glance is open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. and the first Friday of the month from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Consignment hours are 10 a.m.-noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and the first Friday of the month. You can also make an appointment.

News Briefs & Happenings



BOSS spreads Valentine's Day Love: Sgt. Susan Noga, right, Camp Darby Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers, delivers roses to Alessia Baird Boyd on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14. The annual rose delivery is part of BOSS's community service program.

See new photos everyday on our web site or share yours with us on the Camp Darby Facebook page

USAG Livorno Sweet Competition:

The Human Resources section hosted the second annual sweet competition at Camp Darby, Feb. 14. "Last year Eric Allen won and so the goal for this year is to knock him off his throne," said Dona Brooks, USAG Livorno Director, Human Resources, who shows off her cake below.



Photos by Chiara Mattiolo

Carnevale parade:

Numerous cities will have parades and festivals this weekend to celebrate Carnevale, (the time before Easter). Many festivals feature special food and participants wear costumes or masks.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Local events

Carnevale is celebrated in Italy and many places around the world 40 days (not counting Sundays) before Easter. The name possibly derives from the Latin *carnem levare*, which means "to take away or remove meat", an expression used in the Middle Ages that marked the beginning of the fasting and abstinence during Lent. The last day of Carnevale this year is Tuesday, but celebrations in Venice and many other cities and towns in Italy have already started at the end of January.

In Italy each region has its own typical Carnevale pastries: crostoli, chiacchiere, frittelle, struffoli and galani. All of them have one thing in common: they are all fried seasonal treats and they come from the Roman frictilia, deep-fried pastries prepared during ancient spring festivals. In Vicenza and all around Veneto crostoli, frittelle and galani are served in pastry-shops, bakeries and cafés.

Local Carnevale celebrations:

Vicenza: Saturday: 2:30 p.m., S. Croce Bigolina Church, Strada Tormeno 35, costume party for children; parade with Sovizzo's musical band and Vivaro-Dueville majorettes; best costume contest.

♦ Saturday: 2:30 p.m. costume parade departs from Santa Bertilla, Via Ozanam 2; live music, majorettes and games for children.

♦ Sunday: 3 p.m. Pets' Carnevale, in Piazza dei Signori and surrounding streets; face painting; live music with Sauro's Band and typical Carnevale pastries.

♦ Sunday: 2:30 p.m. children's costume parade, Santa Maria Ausiliatrice Church, Viale Cricoli 2.

♦ Sunday: 3 p.m. Via Pierluigi da Palestrina 82, near S. Famiglia Church, costume parade, musical band and majorettes.

♦ Tuesday: 4:30 p.m., Laghetto playground, Via Lago d'Iseo 25, costume party and prizes for the best ones. Free crostoli and frittelle for everyone.

Arzignano: Tuesday, about 12 miles west of Vicenza. 2 p.m. float parade and entertainment.

Asiago: Tuesday, about 34

north of Vicenza. 2:30 p.m. entertainment with music, games at the Romeo Sartori Airport.

Bassano del Grappa:

♦ Saturday, 3 p.m., Youth Center in Piazzale Cadore, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. Ongoing through Feb. 21, 3 p.m. face painting workshops in the Trucchi-Bus; children Carnevale celebration with bounce houses, music, dances, Live music and entertainment with I Ridigini Orchestra, DJ 14, and Rosà Full Time dance school; 9 p.m. night parade of floats and masked groups from Viale Parolini to Piazzale Generale Giardino.

♦ Sunday, 2:30 p.m. float parade accompanied by Campolongo musical band and Nove's majorettes departs from Viale Montegrappa; 3 p.m. face painting workshops in the Trucchi-Bus; live music an entertainment with DJ14, DJ Band and dance schools shows.

♦ Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. in Piazza Libertà, children Carnevale costume contest; live music and dance shows; p.m. face painting workshops in the Trucchi-Bus; 4:45 p.m. music show with special guests; 9 p.m. Carnevale closing costume party with live music and dancing; 10 p.m. Ponte Vecchio scuba divers' torchlight procession along the Brenta River.

Camisano Vicentino, about 10 miles east of Vicenza:

♦ Saturday: Palatenda, Via Costituzione, 7 p.m. food booths open; 9 p.m. costume party with 60s - 90s music, bounce houses; price for the best costume and the largest group.

♦ Sunday: 11:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. food booths; 7:30 p.m. float parade departs from Via Stadio and arrives in Piazza Libertà; 10:30 raffle drawing; in case of inclement weather, the float parade and raffle will be postponed to Sunday, Feb. 26.

♦ Tuesday: 3-6 p.m. children's Carnevale celebration with hot chocolate and crostoli.

Cornedo Vicentino: Tuesday, about 19 miles northwest of Vicenza. 2 p.m. Children's costume parade.

Isola Vicentina: Saturday, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza. 2:30 p.m. at the Youth Center Don

Franco, Via del Sagrato 14, games and face painting; 3 p.m. juggling show; 4 p.m. float parade departs from Via Asiago and arrives in Piazza Marconi.

Lugo di Vicenza: Sunday, 2:30 p.m., costume parade departs from town gym, Via Divisione Julia 5; entertainment and crostoli for everyone.

Malo: Sunday and Tuesday, Piazza Zanini, about 11 miles northwest of Vicenza. Entrance fee: €3. Free for children younger than 11. Food booths featuring frittelle, vin brulè (hot spiced wine) and hot chocolate; 2:30 p.m., live entertainment with Marostica music band, "Batuque Branko" Drum Band and samba dancers; float parade; Tuesday dogs' contest and best float award ceremonies; fireworks.

Montecchio Maggiore: Sunday, Corso Matteotti, about 7 miles southwest of Vicenza. 2 p.m. float parade accompanied by P. Ceccato Music Band and the Romeo and Juliet historical group. Food booths and carnival rides. In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed to next Sunday.

Rossano Veneto: Tuesday, 2:30 p.m., float parade, musical band and majorettes, children costume contest, hip hop dance show.

Sarego: Sunday, 2 p.m. float parade departs from Via Piave, accompanied by a musical band and Vivaro-Dueville majorettes; folk music and dances; frittelle and vin brulè. 5 p.m. award ceremony for the best groups and floats.

Schio, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza. Food stands featuring hot chocolate, Carnevale pastries and vin brulè.

♦ Saturday, 6 p.m. entertainment with a historical group and Venetian Carnevale characters featured by "Amcidithiene". Night float parade departs at 8:30 p.m. from Piazza A. Rossi; live music with Arsiero music band; fire-eater show.

♦ Sunday, 2:30-6 p.m. float parade, majorettes show, live music with Cogollo music band.

Sossano: Sunday, Piazza Maggiore, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. 2:15 p.m. float parade; music, entertainment and food booths featuring typical Carnevale pastries.

Thiene:

♦ Sunday, 2:30 p.m. traditional float parade departs from Piazzale Divisione Acqui. In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed to next Sunday.

♦ Tuesday, children party with games, music and crostoli for everyone. In case of inclement weather, it will be cancelled.

Verona, about 36 miles west of Vicenza.

♦ Friday: 2:30 p.m. downtown Verona, float parade and entertainment. At the end of the parade, in Piazza San Zeno, gnocchi for everyone.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Carnevale photos exhibit:

Ongoing through March 31, Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-noon and 8-10 p.m., in Vicenza, Civic Center, Via Rismondo 2.

"Three days in Paris" photo exhibit:

Ongoing through Feb. 29, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., in Vicenza, Al n. 9 Caffè, Corso SS. Felice e Fortunato 9.

Carnevale painting exhibit:

ODR trips

Ducati and Maserati tour: Monday

Alta Badia ski/snowboard trip: Feb. 25

Piedmont wine country/western Italy: Feb. 25

Parma and Pavia: Feb. 25

Torino and the Egyptian museum: Feb. 26

Antibes and Cannes Express: March 3

Brixen ski/snowboard trip: March 3

Antibes and Cannes Express: March 4

San Martino ski/snowboard trip: March 10

Cinque Terre: March 10

Dolomiti Superski Weekend: March 16-18

Umbria overnight tour: March 16-17

Ducati and Lamborghini museum: March 17

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	New Years Eve (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Friday	The Muppets (PG) Sitter (R)	6 p.m. 9 p.m.
Saturday	Journey 2 (PG) Sitter (R)	3 p.m. 6 p.m.
Sunday	Journey 2 (PG) Sitter (R)	3 p.m. 6 p.m.
Wed.	Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part I (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Feb. 23	New Years Eve (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Feb. 24	The Muppets (PG) Sherlock Holmes 2 (PG 13)	6 p.m. 9 p.m.
Camp Darby Theater		
Feb. 24	Sitter (R)	6 p.m.
Feb. 25	Sherlock Holmes 2 (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Feb. 26	Big Miracle (PG)	1 p.m.
March 2	TBD	7 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.afes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm

Community briefs

CYSS

- ◆ Baseball enrollment for ages 3-15 is ongoing until March 2. Spaces are limited so don't wait. The season will run April 16-June 2, with practice beginning about March 26. Participants must have a valid CYSS enrollment through the end of the season. Call 634-6151 for further information.
- ◆ EDGE! Focus on Photography runs March 1-22 on Thursdays 3:30-4:30 p.m. for grades 1-12. Capture the moments of life, experience colors, patterns and learn about focal points.
- ◆ The 7th grade class is invited to join the Youth Center for an overnight Lock-In at the Villaggio Center Feb. 24. Youth will meet at the Post Gym 9 p.m. and should be picked up at the Villaggio Youth Center. Call 634-7659 for more information.

Soldiers' Theatre

Music Café is back, Friday 7:30 p.m. Join fellow music lovers for a free evening with local musicians. Enjoy light snacks and refreshments while listening. You can join the fun on stage as well. Call 634-7281.

Expectant mother parking

Expectant mothers parking spaces on the installation are solely for those expectant mothers who have been given the parking pass by their doctor, per USASETAF Regulation 190-2. Expectant mothers who have not received the parking pass are not authorized to park in the designated spots and are subject to being cited by military police. Consult with your doctor as to when you will be eligible for the parking pass.

Arts and Crafts Center

March 2 or 3, join the Altered Book Workshop. The first hour will be dedicated to basic instructions and sharing of ideas to use in creating your very special Altered Book. The second hour is for you to work on your own creation with the instructor there to get you started. The Art Center has books and supplies to get you started.

Medical code class

The U.S. Army Health Center-Vicenza is offering a medical coding class this spring. For those interested in becoming a Certified Professional Coder email Capt. Alicia Herman at alicia.herman@amedd.army.mil.

ARC training

- ◆ The American Red Cross offers a babysitter's training course Saturday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with a fee of \$45. For more info. call 0444-71-7089 or stop by building 333.
- ◆ A CPR-AED first aid class will be held March 3 from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. with a fee of \$55. For more info. call 0444-71-7089 or stop by building 333.

Trial Defense Services

Soldiers: If you are questioned by law enforcement, CID or members of your command about suspected acts of

misconduct, you have the right to remain silent.

If questioned, you should immediately demand to speak to an attorney. Let a U.S. Army Trial Defense attorney help you. Call 634-7043 to speak with a free Trial Defense attorney.

CTC registration

This term they are offering an Early Childhood course, CDEC 1321: The Infant and Toddler from 10 - 31 March 10-31 on Saturdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m. They will also be offering a Criminal Justice Seminar, CJSA 1177: International Criminal Justice, which will run Feb. 25-26 from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. For more information, call 634-6514, email vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu, or visit room 6 in the Education Center.

Library

- ◆ Coming in April for National Library Week, an Altered Book Contest. Get started now on your entry. Transform any old book into a work of art. Entries are due at the Library by April 6. The Arts and Crafts Center is offering Altered Book Workshops March 2 and 3 to get you started.
- ◆ 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.

Read Across America

Community members are invited to take part in "Read Across America" at Vicenza Elementary School the week of Feb. 27. Celebrity readers are needed for all classrooms Feb. 27-March 2. For more info., contact Denise Martin at 0444-71-7780 or email denise.martin@eu.dodea.edu or Janet Geisler, 327-888-4338, tenaj33@juno.com.

Math-a-Mania

PTSA will host a fun family math night at Vicenza elementary and middle schools March 6 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. There will be fun, food and prizes for everyone.

EFMP athletics

Kickball will be held at the Teen

Center Tuesdays in the month of February. Parents and siblings are welcome to participate. For more info., call 634-7500/8582.

Arena

- ◆ Big Country Night at the Lion's Den, Feb. 23, 7 p.m. features a Country DJ, live music and Line Dancing with instruction. Come on down and join in!
- ◆ It's Leap Day and we are serving up a special Steak and Bake night at the Old Soldiers' Bar on Feb. 29, 5 p.m. Enjoy an 8 oz (\$25) or 12 oz (\$30) steak, with baked potato, sour cream and butter, green beans, tossed salad, bread and dessert plus tea, water and a carafe of wine. Call 634-7685 for more information.

Job opportunities

Contract positions with Health Clinic Livorno (Camp Darby) - Licensed Clinical Social Worker for Mental Health, AFAP & EDIS Services and doctor of Optometry for Optometrist Exam Services. Start date is on or about April 1. For more information contact Europe Regional Contracting Office - Landstuhl, Germany, POC: Domenico Maddaloni at 0049-6371-86-7043 or DSN: 486-7043 or via email at domenico.maddaloni@amedd.army.mil.

VCC

The Vicenza Community Club is offering continuing education scholarships for 2012. Applications are available and the deadline is March 5. For more info. contact Mari McKenzie at scholarships@vccitaly.org.

SGM Association

Vicenza Sergeants Major Association will hold a meeting March 2 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in the VIP room at South of the Alps Dining Facility to accept new membership applications and to elect key position in the Association. The meeting is open to all active duty and retired command sergeants major, sergeants major, and promotable master sergeants. For more information contact

Sgt. Maj. Michael Robledo at michael.a.robledo@eur.army.mil, or 634-6623.

MOMS Club events

- ◆ Infant playgroup, Tuesday at 10 a.m.
 - ◆ Carnevale party, Feb. 23 at 3 p.m.
 - ◆ Family sledding trip, Feb. 25 at 9 a.m.
 - ◆ Monthly meeting, Feb. 27 at 10 a.m.
 - ◆ Infant playgroup, Feb. 28 at 10 a.m.
 - ◆ Out-And-About Feb. 29
- For further information about the events, contact MOMS Club at momsclubofvicenza@yahoo.com

Inspection team visits

Caserma Ederle units will exercise their ability to comply with no-notice inspections under the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe with assistance of a visiting U.S. Army Europe inspection team Wed.- Feb. 16.

Space A brief

A Space A brief will be held March 13 at the ACS Conference Room from 9 a.m.-noon.

Computer training

The 509th Signal Battalion and the Army Europe Information Technology Training program offers training to all customers in the 509th area of responsibility. Training is conducted on Caserma Ederle in building 372.

Current course offerings, availability, dates, and points of contact are below:

Wednesday- Feb. 23 - *Windows 7 User Training (10 slots available)

Feb. 27-March 12 - Security + (six slots available)

*Entire 509th Signal Battalion customer base will migrate to Windows 7 by June 30.

Contact your unit/org. training coordinator or email michael.k.gauthier.civ@mail.mil or call 634-6077.

Individuals can self enroll at the AEITT website <https://itt.eur.army.mil/>.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Eye check: Maj. Tony Patterson, left, from the Vicenza Health Center Optometry section checks visual acuity of 10th grader Kenny Coulter as part of the yearly vision screening held at the Vicenza High School Friday.

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

Mondays

5:30 p.m.: High School Small Group (sponsored by Club Beyond) meets at The CLUB House for dinner; bible study starts at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays

9 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel.
12:30 p.m.: Middle School Small Group (sponsored by Club Beyond) meets at the Middle School in room 1017
5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

Wednesdays

3:15 p.m.: Middle School Club Beyond meets room 1017 in VMS.
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 340-665-3453 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

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

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, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Viale Trento 246, Vicenza.

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

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.

Italia Select chooses teams for indoor tourney



Photo by Beth Carder

Samantha McDonald, a participant in the Italia Select Academy works on her footwork during a clinic last week, while Edwin Jamieson, coaching assistant, looks on. Members of the team will travel to Germany for a tournament this weekend.

by Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

Vicenza youth soccer players ages 10-18 have been nominated to participate in an international indoor tournament in Ansbach, Germany, taking place Presidents' Day weekend. Twenty-eight players from Vicenza, Rome and Naples practiced this past weekend in Vicenza, preparing for the 5-on-5 Michael Brendel tournament. The skills training during the two-day period focused on ball handling, change of direction, speed, passing combinations, the difference of indoor play, controlling the ball under a faster paced game conditions, one and two-touch passes, and other fundamentals.

A presentation was given to the participants and parents on the health hazards of sugar drinks, processed food and energy drinks from Lacy Wolff, Wellness Center director. An attention getter was passing around the actual sugar in one big drink. Rome coach Heather Ierardi said, "The weight of the sugar in a drink got my attention. I did not realize how much sugar was in one drink."

Final selections were not available by press deadline.

"Boys and girls from Rome, Naples, and Vicenza will play in their age brackets against very competitive teams" said Vicenza coach Charity Smith.

Ierardi said in an email, "We have 69 players going to Germany: 26 boys and 43 girls. Community breakdowns are Vicenza 19; Rome 25 and Naples 25."

For information on ISA, contact Smith at Charity1725@yahoo.com or visit www.italiaselect.org.

Close contact:

Vicenza High School Basketball player Cody Roberts, #42, right, defends against Johnny Suero, white, during the VHS Black and Gold intrasquad scrimmage held at the VHS gym Friday. The scrimmage was held because the team from Rome cancelled due to weather.



Photo by Laura Kreider

10 teams to participate in basketball tourney

by Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

Friday evening kicks off the U.S. Army Garrison Unit/Recreational basketball Championships. The undefeated Health Clinic, with a perfect 7-0 record, will be the top seed team followed by U.S. Army Africa with an 8-1 record. Teams in the hunt to make it into the Saturday's afternoon's final are Legion, 1-503rd, HHC, 1-503rd, Chosen, 2-503rd, Church Ball, The Throne, 21st TSC, Destined, 2-503rd, and Co C, 1-503rd.

What is at stake? The IMCOM-Europe Unit Level Basketball Championships will be hosted March 9-11, at Bamberg, Germany. This tournament is for active-duty military

unit-level teams only. The top unit-level team from Vicenza will qualify to participate in this tournament.

According to sports programmer Ricky Jackson, "The team that wins qualifies to represent Vicenza but the team still will need the commander's approval to participate."

The single elimination tournament starts Friday at 6 pm. Saturday's championship tips off at 4 pm Saturday afternoon. All games will be played at the Post Fitness Center.

Vicenza ended the sports season last fall by winning the U.S. Forces Europe soccer championship hosted in October at Wiesbaden. Let's see if Vicenza basketball players can start the season the way the soccer players ended the season.

For more info, contact Ricky Jackson at 634-7009 or email Rick.Jackson@us.army.mil

COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY BASKETBALL

Team	Win	Loss			
USAHC	7	0	CHOSEN 2-503rd	4	3
USARAF	8	1	THE THRONE	3	6
LEGION 1-503rd	7	2	21st TSC	2	7
CHOSEN 2-503rd	5	4	C Co 1-503rd	1	7
HHC 1-503rd	4	5	DESTINED 2-503rd	0	6

The 2011 USAG-Vicenza Unit/Recreational Basketball League matches are Tuesday and Thursday at 6 and 7 p.m. Call the Fitness Center for specifics at 634-7009.

Pre-natal swim class

Pre-natal Swim Class is a safe way to exercise during pregnancy. Swimming skills are not required. Classes begin on Wednesdays, Feb. 22 or Fridays, Feb. 24. Each session will run for eight weeks. For more info call 634-6536.

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.

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. 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>.

Adventure Camp

Club Beyond presents Middle School Adventure Camp (rock climbing, mountain biking, river rafting, high ropes course) for middle schoolers in grades 6-8, in Belgium, April 9-15. For more info contact Ashley Volmert at avolmert@clubbeyond.org or call 340-665-3453. Discount of \$100 for the first 20 students to register. Registrations are due by Feb. 29.