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## Sierra Leone troops train for Somalia deployment

By Rich Bartell

U.S. Army Africa PAO

Nearly 1,000 Republic of Sierra Leone Armed Forces personnel completed training for an upcoming African Union Mission in Somalia deployment, recently.

U.S. Army Africa Commander, Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg. and U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone, Michael S. Owen, were on hand to address RSLAF soldiers and dignitaries at the event in Freetown, Sierra Leone.

"You are now going to be part of a small band of brothers who are members of the AMISOM peacekeeping mission in Somalia. A small but important number," Hogg told the RLSAF troops.

"The strides and progress made in Somalia are huge. In Mogadishu, people are able to go to the market without getting killed because of what AMISOM has done. You will join the Kenyan forces in Southern Somalia to continue to push al-Shabaab and other miscreants from Somalia so it can be free of tyranny and terrorism and all the evil that comes with it," Hogg said.

"We know that you are ready and trained. You will be equipped and you will accomplish this mission with honor and dignity," said Hogg.

USARAF's Sgt. 1st Class Grady Hyatt attended the ceremony. Hyatt worked with RSLAF personnel to prepare them for the upcoming Somalia deployment. Hyatt is a military mentor working for USARAF in the U.S. Department of State's African Contingency Operations Training and Assistance program known as ACOTA.

Hyatt said once some of the basic communication challenges were ironed out, the training with the RSLAF troops went smoothly.

"I'm extremely proud of what these soldiers have accomplished. They are a well organized and disciplined unit," Hyatt said.

ACOTA events are coordinated and monitored through the U.S. Embassy's military attaché office. Ambassador Owen gave historical perspective to peacekeeping and Sierra Leone.

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Photo by U.S. Army Africa

Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, center, commander, U.S. Army Africa, inspects Sierra Leone troops during a deployment ceremony May 20. Nearly 1,000 Republic of Sierra Leone Armed Forces personnel completed training for an upcoming African Union Mission in Somalia deployment.

## PMO: Community oriented policing puts MPs on bikes

Story and photo by David Ruderman USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

(Editor's note - This is the first in a three-part series about the USAG Vicenza Provost Marshal's office.)

They pedal bicycles and from a distance their black and vellow tops give them the appearance of bumblebees, but the recently introduced community policing initiative in Vicenza is no sting operation.

Military Police officers on bikes are the visible face of the U.S. Army Garrison-Vicenza Provost Marshal's Office community policing initiative in operation since April, said Lt. Col. Robert G. Trojanowski, garrison

"It's community-oriented policing, and what we for more interaction with the community, by both the want to do is conduct a proactive, community-oriented, residents and the dependents that are living on Villaggio. law enforcement operation within the Vicenza military It is to build trust and confidence so that, for example, community. It's essentially a transition from the a child that sees something can feel comfortable with traditional policing model, which is a reactive model, to a more community-oriented, problem-solving model, which is proactive in nature," he said.

The proactive approach centers on "communicating" with the public, and heading off issues before they become problems. Part of what we're doing, our first step, in this program has been putting the bike patrols out in both the main post, at Caserma Ederle, and at Villaggio," said Trojanowski.

"What happens on the bike patrol, there's a tendency

going to an MP on a bike and saying, 'I saw somebody smoking out behind the other building and something didn't seem right; can you check it out?' Or perhaps making the MPs aware of underage youths drinking in certain areas. It's things of that nature that we want to be made aware of and get feedback from the community by placing the bike patrols out there," Trojanowski said.

"I am a huge fan of bike patrols," said Chuck Walls, USAG Vicenza deputy garrison commander. "I've seen See PATROLS, page 2

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scams; Working teens receive free lunch



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Celebrate a safe and happy Fourth of July.



## London Summer Olympics scams on the rise

By Peg Clevenger

USAG Vicenza security manager

With the Summer Olympics in London just weeks away, be on the lookout for emails pretending to have some link to the games. The Better Business Bureau warns of a long list of scams, hoping to prey on your excitement about the games, to get you to do something that could lead to trouble.

BBB recommends you pay attention to these red flags:

- They ask you to call a 070 telephone number that might look like a UK number, but 070 numbers can be redirected anywhere, and can cost several dollars per minute.
- They mention that you won a lottery and reference your actual winning numbers for a lottery you did not enter. If you didn't enter a lottery, you haven't won one - do not fall for fake contests and lotteries.
- They ask for any personal information such as your full name, address, social security number, bank account or other information.
  - Any email address that is not connected to an official

Olympic website. When you receive a suspicious email, always take your cursor and hover over links in the email to see where the link is actually going to send you. Better yet, delete the email.

Tickets for the London 2012 Games are only available for purchase through the London 2012 website and appointed ticketing partners. Offers from anyone else are likely scams. The London 2012 website has an online website checker to check on Authorized Ticket Resellers.

Never reveal information such as bank details or give an up-front payment in order to release a prize. London 2012 will only use a secure website to collect personal or bank

If you receive an email that looks fishy, make sure to delete the email and run a virus scan immediately.

Visit this site for known Olympic scams if in doubt: http://www.london2012.com/mm/Document/Documents/ General/01/25/71/46/Detailsofknownscams\_Neutral.pdf.

For information about these tips or any security issues,

## PATROLS: MPs on bikes seen around post, Villaggio

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them used before. It worked wonders, and for a couple of reasons. First, MPs in cars, great guys but ... you rarely get to talk to them. And then ... you project this image of the speed trap, and so the residents in the housing areas grow to resent them.

"Far better for them to be out on their bikes. They get to engage the neighbors, they talk to them, and you see this metamorphosis occur, so that the MPs know who all the neighbors are. It's like the old cop on the beat," said Walls.

Trojanowski said, "We have used the bike patrols in the past, we had the program going last year as well. So it's not that it's new; however, there is more focus on the part of the community involvement, on the part of the MPs out in the field and getting more interaction going with the community this year than previous years.

"It is a good way to go because what we want to do is, we want the MPs to be 'high profile' and be seen as helpful to the community, and we want to be able to provide those additional police services," he said.

The bike patrols will augment continuing foot and vehicle patrols with which most community members are familiar, said Trojanowski.

"It's a combination of the two. We do have our patrols using the Military Police cars. There is additional emphasis now in the MPs staging their vehicles and getting out and walking sectors, and that is also to increase MP profile and community interaction," he said.

"It's essentially meant to just be out there as a deterrent force, and that's what we're focused on," said Trojanowski.

Executing the mission requires MPs with a special set of capabilities that includes physical agility, selfmotivation and interpersonal skills, said Sgt. Paul Reifke, 464th MP Platoon. The nine-year MP veteran has been taking part in the bike patrols since completing the requisite training in April, and worked the bike beat before at Fort Jackson, S.C.

"It takes a lot of stamina," said Reifke. "It's a lot more than people



Sgt. Michael Jaimes, center, and Pvt. 1st Class Carrena Davison, both with 464th Military Police Platoon, chat with Lourdes DeLong, an emergency operations specialist with U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza, outside the Post Exchange June 21.

think, especially if something happens."

"It was harder than I thought it would be," said Pvt. 1st Class Brian Pollock, 464th MP Platoon, who took the training in April and has been a member of the bike patrols since their inauguration. "It requires more balance than I thought it would because you have to be able to ride through a crowd.

"I've ridden around on Villaggio and talked to kids out there with their softball teams, I've talked to people in their backyards barbecuing. You get to know a lot more people. It's cool getting to know people, especially since post is so small and everybody knows most everybody anyway," he said.

"The little kids, they'll chase us around on their bikes. It's funny," said Reifke.

"You'll see an MP riding and you want to ride along. If I was a little kid I'd be riding behind him too," said Pollock.

The program has no timeline or fixed goal other than raising the force's profile and building positive relations, said Trojanowski.

"It's an ongoing program, so as we do things we're going to improve along the way," he said.

"There's no end to the good of that program," said Walls. "Doing that in Villaggio is going to be an A plus for us."

# Speak Out

## What are your plans for the Fourth of July?



Ramon Ayala USAG Vicenza EEO "I am planning to share the significance of the celebration by having a nice barbecue for my close friends and Italian neighbors; lots of great food, music, and fun games."



Jenny and Philip Prim Family members "We are celebrating this 4th of July with the family, since Dad is going on deployment for one year."



**Bonnie and Xander Contreras** Family members

"Our family is looking forward to the celebrations planned on post. The kids are thrilled to see the fireworks, as is my friend Kim."

By Laura Kreider

## **Garrison news**

## Teen center provides lunch for summer hires

Story and photo by Abby Vallery Outlook intern

A free-lunch program began last summer for summer hire employees and HIRED! program employees as well. This year there are about 15 teens being fed at this program every day between 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Audrey Messersmith, Child and Youth Program assistant at the Vicenza Teen Center, thinks that when more people are aware of the program, more people will come to the lunch. All the food the teen center purchases is required to be bought at the commissary. Emily Antoine, who is with CAMP ADVENTURE, sometimes helps out with the cooking, according to Messersmith.

"The purpose of the program is to give youth who are in the summer hire and HIRED! programs the opportunity to socialize and eat lunch without having to spend their summer job money on lunch," said Messersmith. The idea of the lunch came from "youth and parents were complaining about the teens working hard and then having to go and spend their money on food," she said..

Different items are available daily, with a changed up menu every week. The menu was decided based on last year. A change was made to include pizza this year because it was on demand, which is provided by the Arena. Other menus include hamburgers and hot dogs, pasta, tacos and sandwiches, and there is salad available every day including all the toppings on the side.

"The reason being for those items is because we don't have an oven at the teen center," Messersmith said.

Amanda Coyne, a summer hire who is working at the Army Substance Abuse Program office said, "I love the food that the teen center provides. Emily and Audrey know how to cook good food, and by eating at the free lunch I am saving money." Coyne's recommendation for a future menu would include lasagna.

For more information on this program call 634-7659 or go to the Teen Center, building 373. The lunch program runs through July 27.



Anthony Incorvati and Marika Witt fill their plates with tacos during lunch at the Teen Center. A free lunch is provided for teens working in the HIRED! and Summer Hire programs.

## TRAINING: USARAF attends ceremony

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"Indeed, it should be a source of national pride to all Sierra Leoneans that this country – in the space of 10 short years – has gone from being a country that requires peacekeepers to a country that supplies peacekeepers," Owen said.

"It is also fitting that this graduation should take place during the same month as the historic verdict by the Special Court for Sierra Leone convicting Charles Taylor of war crimes for his role in the brutal cross-border conflicts of the 1990s," Owen said.

Owen recognized the strides that have been made in Sierra Leone.

"Both events send a message that Sierra Leone has turned a corner – and it is not turning back. It is looking forward. It's fitting that we take a moment to reflect on what has been accomplished. To reflect on the sacrifices and heroism, allows us all to stand here this morning, as representatives of two peaceful and friendly nations.

"Two nations with a shared history, and two nations with a shared interest in regional and global security," Owen said.

For Col. David Taluva, RSLAF training group commander, the path for his troops becoming peacekeeper has been evolutionary.

"We've come a long way as a nation," said Taluva. "We have tasted the bitter side of war. We were able to manage our crisis and we have peace. We are now exporting peace. It's a great privilege."

Owen expressed his satisfaction with the role played by the U.S. Department of State in the training of the RSLAF soldiers.



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### Provost Marshal's corner

Community policing program

Community policing is, in essence, a collaboration between the police and the community that identifies and solves community problems. With the police no longer the sole guardians of law and order, all members of the community become active allies in the effort to enhance the safety and quality of neighborhoods.

The expanded outlook on crime control and prevention, the new emphasis on making community members active participants in the process of problem solving, and the patrol officers' pivotal role in community policing require profound changes within the police organization.

The neighborhood patrol officer, backed by the police organization, helps

community members mobilize support and resources to solve problems and enhance their quality of life. Community members voice their concerns, contribute advice, and take action to address these concerns. Creating a constructive partnership will require the energy, creativity, understanding, and patience of all involved.

The Vicenza Provost Marshal Office looks forward to working with you to maintain a safe community for all it's members.

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## **Community Camera**





### Fire training:

Above, USAG Vicenza Fire Department Captain Cory Prough, left, along with IMMA personnel conduct inspection of tools and equipment to assure operational safety during the training June 13. At left, Caserma Ederle Firefighters Christian Zulian, left, and Samuele Orsolon, right, conduct aerial operations training for the new ladder truck.

The training was conducted by instructors from Metz Aerial Academy, Karlsruhe, Germany.

Photos by Laura Kreider

## Warrior Games athletes recognized at Pentagon

By William Garbe Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Military and Olympic leaders recognized 50 Wounded Warriors, including 10 Army athletes, for their athletic achievements at the 2012 Warrior Games during a ceremony Monday in the Pentagon courtyard.

The games, which provide wounded, ill and injured military members and veterans the opportunity to compete for medals, are hosted by the U.S. Olympic Committee and were held in Colorado Springs, Colo., from April 30-May 5. Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta joined Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Ray Odierno and United States Olympic Committee Chief of Paralympics Charlie Huebner in congratulating the active-duty and veteran athletes.

"I cannot tell you how much you inspire us with your courage, with your determination, with your athletic prowess, with your physical strength," Panetta said to

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Sgt. Maj. of the Army Raymond F. Chandler III and his wife, Jeanne, meet with 1st Lt. Lacey Hamilton, during the Department of Defense Warrior Games Recognition Ceremony, June 25, in the Pentagon Courtyard. Lacey participated in the recent 2012 Warrior Games in Colorado Springs, Colo. She was one of 10 Soldiers asked to represent all Army participants of those games at the Pentagon ceremony.

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## **Darby Military Community**

## Camp Darby hosts car show during carnival

**Story and photos by Chiara Mattirolo** 

Darby Military Community Public Affairs

Hundreds of cars competed in different categories of tuning at the third edition of the "Camp Darby Tuning Night" organized by the Evolution Tuning Club from Viareggio in conjunction with the Italian-American carnival June 23.

"The carnival, the military in uniform and the territory itself surrounded by poplars made the atmosphere a true Stars and Stripes style," said Salvo Andaloro, Evolution Tuning Club public relations officer. "The location of the meeting was absolutely exclusive and charming: Camp Darby Pisa American Installation has been a great theater for the tuning show."

The cars were awarded recognition for SPL, sound quality, internal and external decorations, neon and various other categories established by the organization.

131st Munitions Staff Sgt. Don Capen competed with his 5.7 V8 HEMI Dodge Magnum Inferno

"I have been working on this car's tuning since 2005," said Capen. "I devote most of my spare time to this passion of mine."





Above and left, cars are shown during the Camp Darby Tuning Night at the Italian-American carnival June 23.

### Army Field Support Battalion-Italy welcomes new commander

#### Story and photo by Chiara Mattirolo

Darby Military Community Public Affairs

Lt. Col. Richard Pierce relinquished command of the Army Field Support Battalion-Italy to Lt. Col. Mark Gray in a ceremony June 27 at the Leghorn Army Depot Warehouse.

"Normally, changes of command take place on well manicured parade fields with formal military formations and ceremony. The fact that we are in a warehouse surrounded by military vehicles should be an indicator on how vastly different this battalion is as a whole," said Pierce. "We chose this location because it represents a distinct part of the battalion's mission and serves as a great vantage point to view the battalion's overall capability," he said.

The ceremony was opened by Col. Ronald Green, commander of the 405th Army Field Support Brigade.

"Today is a sad day for the 405th Army Field Support Battalion and the Italian community as we farewell Lt. Col Rick Pierce. He has commanded this battalion with excellence, tenacity and perseverance since July of 2010," said Green. "Rick brought passion, pride and a sense of purpose that ensured a selfless attitude in whatever the battalion endeavored to do in support of Soldiers, Family members and local nationals."

Green also expressed a warm welcome to the incoming commander.

"Good luck in this adventure you are about to embark on. I know you will grow not only as a logistician, but as a leader, officer, and patriot," said Green. "In the next few weeks, Mark, you will see the arms wrap around both you and your family and feel the amazing support that Rick and Melissa had."

Lt. Col. Mark and Dr. Katie Gray started their military life in 1994 at Fort Bragg, N.C. as members of the 82nd Airborne Division.

Gray comes to AFSB-Italy from Washington, D.C., where he was assigned to the National Capital Region at the Pentagon in the Office of the Army Surgeon General



Lt. Col. Mark Gray, left, receives the colors of the Army Field Support Battalion-Italy during a change of command ceremony June 27.

as an operations staff officer. Gray's further assignments in the area included time as a student at the Joint Military Intelligence College where he earned a Master's Degree in Strategic Intelligence. Gray finished his DC tour assigned to U.S. Special Operations Command as a director of Logistics and Special Operations Logistics planner.

"Over my short stay here I have heard nothing but good things about Lt. Col. Pierce and the entire unit. I know

that reputation is a result of many long hours, stalwart leadership, and lots of blood, sweat, and tears," said Gray. "I know this command will not be an easy job, but with the great team assembled here and the fantastic Italian-American partnership we can continue to be the world class sustainment facility that this unit has become," said Gray.

Lt. Col. Pierce's next assignment will be with the U.S. Army Human Resources Command at Fort Knox, Ky.

## Darby ates

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

#### Volunteers needed

Girl Scouts of Camp Darby needs someone to manage volunteers and attend monthly meetings. Call 633-8696 for info.

#### Intermural Beach Volleyball

633-7438

Put your 3-4 person teams together for the upcoming beach volleyball season at the American Beach in Tirrenia. Games are Wednesday evenings from June 27-July 25 with an end of season tournament to follow. Free entrance and parking for players. Register at the gym.

#### Open Market in Forte dei Marmi

Every Wednesday and Sunday a very famous market takes place in Forte dei Marmi, Lucca.

This market is for people who love shopping. Here it is possible to find nice products at a good price and also famous brands.

#### **Early Music Tuscan Festival**

The Early Music Tuscan Festival celebrates its 17th edition from June 29-July 31. Performances are going to be held in Cascina, Crespina, Pisa, Riparbella and Vicopisano. The programme includes music by Bach, Handel, Scarlatti, Pergolesi and Vivaldi.

## Palio di Siena 2012: First race of Siena

On July 2, in Piazza del Campo of Siena will take place the traditional and historical Palio horse race (Palio di Siena) which is one of the most famous popular Italian events.

The race takes its name "Palio" from the Italian word which means "banner." This banner, or Palio, is the prize given to the winning Contrada of the race. The Palio banner is also affectionately referred to by the Senese as the "Drappellone," the big drape, or the "Cencio," the rag.

The July edition of the Palio is named Palio of Provenzano - the August race is dedicated to the Virgin Mary and named Palio dell'Assunta.

#### Outdoor Recreation

633-7775

Hiking trip San Rossore San Rossore is a natural park situated on the outskirts of Pisa. Spend the day hiking along various trails to experience the local wildlife and forest

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#### Festa della Tagliata:

The sliced steak festival in Grumolo della Abbadesse features a noncompetative 5-kilometer walk Sunday for dogs and their owners. The walk begins at 8 a.m. with a fee of €3.



Courtesy photo

#### **Local events**

#### Tagliata (sliced steak) Festival:

Friday-Tuesday, in Sarmego, Grumolo delle Abbadesse, Piazzale della Chiesa, about 10 miles southeast of Vicenza; food booths featuring the local Sorana sliced steak, bruschette, beers, and non-alcoholic drinks open at 7 p.m.; carnival rides.

- Friday: 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Rita del Mare Orchestra
- Saturday: 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Stereo B Orchestra
- ◆ Sunday: 8 a.m. 5 km noncompetitive walk for pets and their owners. Registration fee: €3, free for children under 6. Free refreshments for all participants; 11:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. food booths; 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Renato & Gli Amici Orchestra
- ◆ Monday: from 6:30 p.m. carnival rides 50-percent discount; 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Castellina Pasi Orchestra
- Tuesday: 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Meri & Elisa Orchestra. 11:45 p.m. fireworks.

#### Cheese Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Villalta di Gazzo, about nine miles east of Vicenza. Food booths featuring \*Tosella cheese and other specialties open at 7 p.m.; exhibit of vintage cars, motorcycles and tractors; carnival rides and raffle.

- Friday: 9 p.m., live music and ballroom dancing with Maraschin Orchestra
- Saturday: 9 p.m., live music and ballroom dancing with Silvia e La Banda Italiana Orchestra
- Sunday: 8:30 dance show; 9 p.m., live music and ballroom dancing with I Duca D'Este Orchestra
- Monday: 9 p.m., live music and ballroom dancing with Renato e Gli Amici Band
- Tuesday: 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Marco & I Niagara; 11:45 p.m. fireworks.

Tosella\* is a nonfermented fresh cheese made with whole or partially skimmed cow's milk. It must be consumed within a few days of its production and it has a pure white color. It can be salted to taste.

#### Fish Festival:

Friday-Sunday, 5-11:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Via dell'Acqua. Food booths featuring local specialties; music and entertainment.

#### Town districts Tournament:

Thursday-Saturday, 8:30 p.m., in Quinto Vicentino, Sport Center, about eight miles northeast of Vicenza. Ten color coded districts will compete in traditional games. Award ceremony on Saturday, followed by live 80s and 90s music performed by the Platinum Legends of Rock Band.

#### **Bruschetta Festival:**

Friday-Sunday, in Arcugnano, about five miles south of Vicenza. Food booths feature the typical bruschette (i.e. toasted bread seasoned with garlic, olive oil, etc.), bigoli, gnocchi and other local specialties open at 7 p.m.; craft exhibit and charity raffle.

- ◆ Friday: 9 p.m. live music with Direzione per la Musica a 360° Band
- ◆ Saturday: 9 p.m. Country night with DJs Luka & Nike
- ◆ Sunday: 9 p.m. Latin-American night with Max Y Su Havana Caliente Group
- Monday: 8 p.m. belly dance show; 9 p.m. 60s and 70s music with the 45 Giri Band.

## Gnocchi and Beer Festival - Gnock'n'Roll:

Thursday-Sunday, in Poleo (Schio), about 23 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths featuring gnocchi, bigoli, grilled meat, beer and much more open at 7 p.m.

- Thursday: 9:30 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Santamonica Orchestra
- Friday: live Latin-American music and dancing with Caiman Orchestra
  - Saturday: rock music with CB
- Sunday: 9:30 p.m. live popfolk music with Rosso Da Folgaria Band

#### June Festival:

Friday-Sunday, in Camisano Vicentino, Piazza Libertà, about 10 miles east of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.

◆ Friday: 8:45 p.m. live jam music

- Saturday: 3-10 p.m. historical parade and traditional city districts competition
- Sunday: 9 p.m. music and dancing.

#### Sacro Cuore (Holy Heart) Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Novoledo (Villaverla), about 10 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; carnival rides, and charity raffle; 9 p.m. music and entertainment

- Friday: disco and foam party
- Saturday: live music and ballroom dancing with I Vegas Orchestra
- Sunday: live music and ballroom dancing with Marco & I Niagara

## FREE concerts, exhibits & events

#### **Bread and music:**

Wednesday, 9 p.m., in Torrebelvicino, Piazza S. Maria, about seven miles west of Vicenza. Live music with New Reeds Saxophone. Food booths.

## Emotions under the stars – Dance show:

Saturday, 9:15 p.m., in Schio, Piazza Falcone Borsellino, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza.

#### Socorock:

Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco Tesinella Sud, Via Pioppi, about 13 miles southeast of Vicenza. Live space rock with Captain Mantell Band

## Italian Artistic Craft exhibit:

Ongoing through Sept. 2, in Vicenza, ViArt, Contrà del Monte 13. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 3-7 p.m.

## Mail Art – postcards exhibition:

Friday through July 15, in Vicenza, Casa Cogollo, Corso Palladio 167. Open Tuesday-Sunday 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.

#### Concerts

Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers: Friday in Lucca

**Cranberries:** Saturday in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova)

Joan Baez: Wednesday in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Heineken Jammin' Festival: July 5-7 in Rho (Milan) Fiera Milano Live, Strada Statale del Sempione 28.

- Thursday: Red Hot Chili Peppers, Noel Gallagher, Pitbull; Enter Shikari and a special guest
- Friday: The Prodigy, Chase and Status, Evanescence, Lost Prophets, Seether
- Saturday: The Cure, New Order, Crystal Castles, The Parlotones and a special guest

For more details in English go to: http://www.venezia.net/heineken-jammin-festival/en/

**Billy Idol:** July 7 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

**Sting:** July 10 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Wolfmother: July 11 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Anastacia: July 12 in Codroipo (Udine)

**B.B. King:** July 13 in Pistoia **Norah Jones:** July 14 in Lucca **Duran Duran:** July 16 in Verona, July 23 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

**Lenny Kravitz:** July 16 in Sarzana (La Spezia), July 19 in Vigevano (Pavia)

**Bob Dylan:** July 16 in Barolo (Cuneo) **Al Jarreau:** July 18 in Bassano

del Grappa **Ben Harper:** July 20 in Piazzola

sul Prenta (Padova)

The Beach Boys: July 27 in Milan

Alice Cooper: July 30 in Milan Foo Fighters: Aug. 13 in Codroipo (Udine)

Leonard Cohen: Sept. 24 in

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

Milan and the Last Supper: June 30

**Croatia's Plitvice Lake:** July 4-6

**Slovenian beach:** July 7 **Jesolo beach:** July 8

White water rafting: July 14
Water sports at Lake Garda:

July 15

brunch: July 25

Caorle Beach: July 18
Monaco and Monte Carlo
Express: July 21

Sea Kayaking: July 21 Portofino: July 22

Paragliding: July 22 Valpollicella olive and wine

Hike Mount Pasubio: July 28 Bernina Express to Switzerland: July 28

Sea kayaking: July 29

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	The Lucky One (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Friday	The Pirates of Misfits (PG)	6 p.m.
	The Cabin in the Woods (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Brave (PG)*	3 p.m.
	Seeking a Friend for the End (R)*	6 p.m.
Sunday	Brave (PG)*	3 p.m.
	Seeking a Friend for the End (R)*	6 p.m.
Wed.	The Cabin in the Woods (R)	6 p.m.
July 5	The Five-Year Engagement (R)	6 p.m.
July 6	The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG)	6 p.m.
	Safe (R)	9 p.m.
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#### Camp Darby Theater

July 6	Rock of the Age (PG 13)*	6 p.m.
June 7	That's My Boy (R)*	6 p.m.
July 8	The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG)	1 p.m.
July 13	Think Like a Man (PG 13)	6 p.m.

Admission: \*First runs, age 12 and older, \$5, younger than 12, \$2.50 Regular release, \$4.50/\$2.25 Special pay \$3/\$1.50 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

## **Community briefs**

#### **Special events**

Is your spouse deploying? Sign up for the Family and MWR Blue Star Card to receive special discounts at MWR facilities, plus opportunities to get together with other spouses who have your same interests in the "Vicenza 40 Excuses" groups and receive an invitation to monthly social events planned just for Blue Star Card holders. You will also qualify for Army Family Covenant free child care if you are a registered member of CYSS. Download the application http://www.vicenzamwr. com/pdfs/FMWR/2012\_BlueStar\_ Application.pdf and bring it with a copy of your orders to Parent Central Services to pick up your Blue Star Card.

Enjoy an old fashioned celebration of the Fourth of July. The good times begin at 10 a.m. with the "Salute to the Nation" at the sports track and field area. Come cheer for your state. Children will enjoy bouncy houses, flying swings, merry-go-round and there is even a mechanical bull and bumper cars for adults. Street performers and carnival games and contests add to this year's fun. You'll find your favorite food items; burgers and dogs, corn on the cob, chili, pizza, burritos, cotton candy, ice cream and popsicles, plus soda, beer and specialty drinks. Fireworks at 10:30 p.m. on the softball field. The post is open to our Italian neighbors from 10 a.m.-until the event is over at midnight. Watch for upcoming schedule of events on Vicenza Family and MWR Facebook.

#### CYSS

- Home Alone training for parents and youth ages 11-18 will be held July 9, 5:30-7 p.m. Then there are workshops for youth only July 10 and 12, 2-4 p.m. Parents must attend the first workshop to enroll youth in the two following workshops. All workshops will be held at the CDC 703 conference room. Call 634-7206.
- Fall Soccer enrollment period is July 16-Aug. 3. If you are leaving for the summer you can enroll on line using Web Trac from anywhere in the world with just your user name and password. For help call 634-7206.
- Summer Hires come and enjoy lunch at the teen center 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. It's free and you'll enjoy games and fun with your friends and save your money for other things. Call 634-7659.

#### **EFMP**

- ◆ Art with Anything classes will be every second and third Friday of the month this Friday and June 15 at the Arts and Crafts Center. A fee of \$3 will cover the cost of supplies. Siblings are welcome. To register call 634-7500/8582.
- EFMP Families enjoy some modern dance planned just for you! Dance instructor Kristen Jeppson Groves will be on hand to guide you. Siblings are welcome to join in the fun. It's free but call 634-8682 to let them know you are planning on attending.

#### Arena

- ◆ A Day at the Lanes is fun for the kids and easy and affordable for you! Bowling is \$3 for one hour per child or 2 hours for \$5, and shoe rental is included. Plus you have a choice of value meals for only \$4. Choose two slices of pizza and a 12 oz soda or a hot dog and fries plus the soda. Offer is valid Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. until August 31. For more information about summer bowling specials visit www.vicenzaMWR.com.
- Calling all school age kids! Beat the heat all summer long with the Kids Summer Bowling Special, Monday thru Friday 11 a.m.-6 p.m. School age kids can bowl for \$1 per game and the shoes are free. Offer good June 1-Aug. 31.

#### Road closures

Vicenza Military Community's July 4th event set up will involve closing the street from the Arena up to and including the Ederle Inn parking lot, through July 5. This street will be closed to traffic and all vehicles must be cleared. Reserved spaces are available for CDC drop off only, along 9th Street in front of the Arena. Ederle Inn guests should park behind the Ederle Inn. The Airport Shuttle bus pick up will be in front of the High School through July 5.

#### **Estate claims**

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Air Force Staff Sgt. William W. Cappella of 704th Munitions Support Squadron, should contact the summary courts officer, Capt. Ben Rich, at 632-3455 or *Benjamin.rich@us.af.mil*.

#### CTC Registration

Central Texas College's Term 5 registration has begun. Face to face classes consist of a Criminal Justice course entitled, CJSA 1312: Crime in America, which runs from June 12-Aug. 2 on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They are also offering an Early Childhood course called CDEC 2341: The School Aged Child on Saturdays from July 21-Aug. 11. For more information, call 634-6514, email *vicenza@europe*.

*ctcd.edu*, or visit room 6 in the Education Center.

## Mosquito spraying in Villaggio

Spraying for mosquitoes in Villaggio will be conducted on the following days: July 5, July 19, Aug. 2, Aug. 30 and Sept. 20 between 7-9 p.m. This is routine, but outdoor activities should be cancelled on these days. Children and pets should be kept inside with doors and windows closed. In case of rain, the treatment will be rescheduled.

#### **Soldiers' Theatre**

This is a great chance to perform for anyone wanting to participate and perform on stage at the Fourth of July festivities. There will be a large stage with professional sound to showcase some of our community's great talent. Sound track accompaniment is also acceptable for this event.

If you are interested, email: barry.n.robinson3.naf@mail.mil or gerald.s.brees.naf@mail.mil or stop by Soldiers' Theatre to sign up.

If you need to practice, instruments are set up in the lobby and available during Soldiers' Theatre's normal hours.

To set up a rehearsal time with sound equipment and technician for your performance on the 4th of July.

#### **Arts and Crafts Center**

- Sign up for the one day workshop on how get the most from your DSLR camera July 12.
- Jazz up your hair bow collection learning to make two basic styles for you, your daughter or any special gal. Sessions are offered July 13 or July 21.
- ◆ Kids Craft Club meets July 5 or July 6 from 2-4 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 per hour. Parents must remain with their children but do not need to pay the hourly fee. Projects are designed so you can take them home the same day. Register on line or at the Arts and Crafts Center, 634-7074.

#### Library

- Sign up for this year's Summer Reading Program "Reading is so Delicious!" runs through July 31. Children ages 3-5 meet on Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-noon. Children ages 6-11 meet on Tuesdays 11 a.m.-noon. Teens also can participate by reading one book per week at their own pace and filling out an entry form. Entry forms will be entered in the prize drawing on July 31 and the year end party. For more information visit www.vicenzaMWR.com or call 634-7291.
- Have you downloaded your three free songs from Freegal this week? If not stop by the Library and ask them how.

#### **Single Soldier retreat**

A Single Soldier Strong Bonds retreat will be held July 16-18 at Edelweiss Lodge and Resort. This event is free and is open to all units on Caserma Ederle. To register contact the chapel at 634-6454.

## Health Assessment appointments

School physicals will be Aug. 14 and Aug. 21 at the Vicenza Pediatric Health Clinic for ages 5 and up by appointment only. Forms are available at CYS registration and the high school office or online and must be filled out and signed before appointment.

A shot record is necessary. These appointments are not for patients with chronic medical conditions, such as asthma or ADHD. Children ages 14 and older may be unaccompanied. To register call 0444-61-9000 or go online to www.tricareonline.com.

#### PWOC

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will begin their Summer Study Series through July 17, 10-11:30 a.m. in the chapel activity room. The choices include: Espresso with Esther by Sandra Glahn; Loving God and Loving Others: The Heart of True Faith by Kay Arthur; Tuned In: Hearing God's Voice Through The Static by Jen Hatmaker.

## 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.: ProtestantWomen of the Chapel5 p.m.: ContemporaryPraise band practice

#### Wednesdays

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

**5:30 p.m.:** Catholic choir practice

**6:45 p.m.:** Gospel choir practice

#### **Thursdays**

9:30 a.m.: Catholic Women of the Chapel 5:30 p.m.: Gospel service choir rehearsal 7:15 p.m.: Gospel service Bible study

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

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

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.



Reading fun: Children participate in the first day of the Summer Reading Program at the Vicenza Library Tuesday. More than one hundred kids signed up for the summer reading program, which runs until July 31. This year's theme is "Reading is sooo delicious". In the picture, BINGO was the first summer reading program activity for children 6-11 years old.

DON'T BE LATE: Email briefs to julie.m.lucas.civ@mail.mil by noon on Monday, or by 4 p.m. Friday if Monday is a holiday.

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## **Sports**



### Alpini defeat:

Above, Randy Osborn, #23, heads towards the goal during the game against Alpini Val Leogra. The Vicenza Lions won the game 2-0 and placed third in the tournament in Setteca` a stadium near the Palladio Mall June 16. Players in the teams represented several nations such as Ivory Coast, Tunisia, Burkina Faso, Algeria and Morocco. The tournament was coordinated by the group Alpini "Vincenzo Periz" Setteca'. At right, Vicenza Lions team Carl Kerr shakes hands after the game with one of the Alpini members who coordinated the tournament.



Photos by Laura Kreider

### WARRIORS: Athletes honored in ceremony

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the warriors. "It's an incredible inspiration."

Panetta, who presented each representative with a coin, said the determination and guts of the warriors to overcome obstacles is nothing short of a miracle of emotional, physical and mental strength.

At the beginning of the ceremony, Odierno shared his experience of attending this year's games.

"I had the opportunity to attend these games, and as I expected I was inspired," Odierno said. "It was truly compelling to see the unprecedented drive and talent of these young men and women, who have sacrificed so much for our country."

The general said the warriors collectively demonstrated resiliency, and represent the "survival and conviction of the heart" that helped them overcome challenges on their way to the games

"Each of you has a story of how or what inspired you to get to where you are today," Odierno said. "You represent

the best of our military, and what's best about this great country of ours."

Odierno noted that the warriors present at the ceremony represented 220 athletes who competed. Representing the Army were 1st Lt. Lacey Hamilton, 1st Sgt. Rhoden Galloway, Staff Sgt. Michael Kacer, Sgt. John Masters, Sgt. Fred Prince, Sgt. Margaux Vair, Cpl. Brian Miller, Spc. Elizabeth Wasil, Sgt. Anthony Robinson and Lt. Col. Danny Dudek.

Hamilton, who competed in the 100- and 200-meter sprints and cycling, said this time last year she was just regaining her balance from injuries suffered when she was ejected from a motor vehicle in Afghanistan. She said the camaraderie she shared with the other athletes motivated her through her recovery to the games. Receiving a coin from the Secretary of Defense was something Hamilton said she won't soon forget.

"I can add it to my collection of awesome coins," Hamilton said. "It's definitely one that will beat everyone in the coin toss."

## Sports horts

#### Fitness classes

Why not try something new for your fitness routine this summer. Check out the new Group Fitness Class Schedule available on line at http://www.vicenzamwr.com/sports.html

#### Local noncompetative walks

Getting out and being active on your weekends doesn't have to cost much. Why not try a local Volksmarch. Visit VicenzaMWR. com and find a list of locations, with distance of the walk and the start times on the monthly Volksmarch list.

#### Swimming pool hours

The Villaggio Pool is now open the following hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Closed on Wednesdays

The Post Pool hours are as follows:

PT Swim Tues-Fri 6-8:30 a.m. Open Swim 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Open Swim Sat & Sun 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Closed Mondays

#### **Summer Strong**

Earn a T-shirt this summer in the "Summer Strong" program. Pick up a card at the Fitness Center desk and each time you participate in a fitness class or use a personal trainer through Sept. 19, have the instructor initial your card. When your card is full you can claim your T-shirt. Call 634-7616 for more information.

#### Unit & rec play

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

#### Women's basketball

Women's basketball practice held Sundays from 4-5 p.m. at the post gym. All female community members welcome to attend. Focus is on fun and having a great workout.

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